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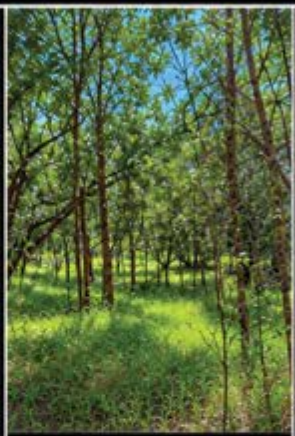
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1204 E GIBSON ST
\$249,000

THINKING ABOUT SELLING?

5%
COMMISSION

ZERO
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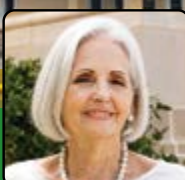
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Peace River SHOPPER

DeSoto County's Weekly Publication

SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

The Arcadia Local Newspaper Distribution Locations

Ace Hardware	DeSoto Memorial Hospital
Anna's Restaurant	Dollar General (near Northside Shell)
Arcadia Discount Liquor	Family Care Medical Center
Arcadia Do-It-Best Hardware	Ft. Ogden Post Office
Arcadia Municipal Airport	Habitat for Humanity
Arcadia Municipal Golf Course	K & J Homegrown Produce
Arcadia Post Office	Marathon
Arcadia Village	MyShelly's Kitchen
Before & After Hair Salon	Nocatee Post Office
Big Tree RV Resort	Oak Street Deli
Champs	Publix
Circle K (Nocatee)	Publix Liquor
Circle K (North)	RMZRealty
City of Arcadia	Speedway
Collins Realty	Toby's RV Resort
Country Café	Walgreens
Crews Bank & Trust	Wheelers
DaVita Dialysis Center	Wood Park Pointe
DeSoto County Annex	Yellow Deli
DeSoto County Library	
DeSoto County Property Appraiser	
DeSoto County Tax Office	

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DEADLINES

Standard weekly cutoff times for ads apply to the week prior to each issue's release day.

Printed issues are released each week on Tuesday:

- Space reservation: Wednesdays, 5pm
- Camera-ready ads: Fridays, 4pm
- Copy and graphics for ads requiring design: Wednesdays, 5pm
- Classified Ads: Thursdays, 5pm

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Add a photo for \$5/week

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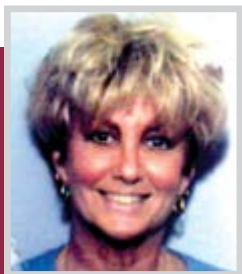
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NEW ON MARKET

This property has many of the items on your check list. I.E., 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms and on a beautiful lot that is almost 1 acre with gorgeous oak trees, in the County and on quiet street. More info includes this S/W mobile home coming furnished, has a 3 yr old roof, Central air and heat, kitchen appliances including a gas stove, washer and dryer AND a 24x35 Metal building, a 10x20 shed and a 18x21 carport. Back yard including building and shed and lots of open space is fenced and gated. This property is available to a Buyer for cash or Conventional financing. *(minimal TLC & selling AS IS)*



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ARREST REPORT 9/4/26 - 9/10/26

DESOTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

ARROWOOD, VICTORIA VESTA:

Prob Violation - Prob
Violation

BOWERS, CECIL STEVEN:

Lewd Lascv Behavior -
Molest VIC 12 Yoa Lt 16 Yoa
Off 18 Yoa Older

CAPIZZI, JEAN MCCLERNON:

Battery - Touch Or Strike

CARTER, TRISTA MARIE:

Out-of-County Warrant -
Out-of-County Warrant

DANFORD, JIM RICHARD:

Prob Violation - Prob
Violation

DOBBS, JODY LEE:

Drug Equip-Possess - Drug
Equip-Possess: And Or
Use (x2); Drugs-Possess
- Possess Controlled
Substance W/O Prescription
(x4); Obstructing Justice
- Tamper W Evidence
In Criminal Proceeding;
Resist Officer - Obstruct Wo
Violence

DOWLING, DANIEL LIAM:

Larc - Grand Theft 750 Less
Than 5k Dols; Public Order
Crimes - Interfere With
Railroad Train; Trespassing
- Trespassing Structure Or
Conveyance

FONSECA, JASON MATTHEW:

Drug Equip-Possess - Drug
Equip-Possess: And Or Use;
Drugs-Possess - Possess
Controlled Substance W/O
Prescription; Marijuana-
Possess - Possess Less
Than 20 Grams Cannabis;
Moving Traffic Viol - Dwlsl
Or Revocation Equiv Status
Subsq Off

FREELAND, KYLE HOUSTON:

Battery - Touch Or Strike

HAND, JAMES DEAN:

Aggrav Battery - Aggrav
Battery Cause Bodily Harm
Or Disability; Battery - Touch
Or Strike; Resist Officer -
Obstruct Wo Violence

HARVEY, ROGER ALLEN:

Aggrav Battery - Aggrav
Battery Cause Bodily Harm
Or Disability

HAYGOOD, ANTHONY:

Fail To Reg As Career Off
- Fail To Reg Aft Establish
PERM/TEMP Residence (x2)

HESTERS, EMILY MORGAN:

Damage Prop-Crim Misch -
Over 200 Dols Under 1000
Dols

LOTT, BRITTANY NICOLE:

Trespassing - Trespass Fail
To Leave Prop On Order Of
Owner

LUTZ, ROBERT ELLIS:

Prob Violation - Prob
Violation

MAYBELL, NATHANIEL:

DUI-Unlaw Bld Alch - DUI
Influence Of Alcohol Or
Drugs; DUI-Unlaw Bld Alch -
Refusal Submit DUI Testing

MENDEZ JR., JUAN:

Nonmoving Traffic Viol - Fail
To Register Motor Veh

NUNEZ PADRON, MAXIMINO:

DUI-Unlaw Bld Alch - DUI
Influence Of Alcohol Or
Drugs; DUI-Unlaw Bld Alch -
Refusal Submit DUI Testing;
Moving Traffic Viol - Operate
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid LIC
1st Conv

PAYNE, RICKEY LOUIS:

Fraud - Fail Redeliv Hired
Leased Prop 300 Dols Or Ovr

RAY, BRITTANY MICHELLE:

Failure To Appear - Written
Promise To Appear (x2)

REINERT, WILLIAM MAC:

Drug Equip-Possess -
Drug Equip-Possess:
And Or Use; Marijuana-
Possess - Possess Less
Than 20 Grams Cannabis;
Obstructing Justice -
Tamper W Evidence In
Criminal Proceeding

REYES RODRIGUEZ, ROSSELLI:

Moving Traffic Viol - Drive
W/ DL Expired More Than 6
Months

RIVERS, DAWSON TYLER:

Possession Of Weapon - Or
Ammo By Fla Delinquent
Adult Felony (x2)

ROAN II, JOHN ERIC:

Fail To Reg As Career
Off - Fail Report In Person
Change To RESIDENCE/
NAME

WOOD, KELLY JOE:

Battery - Touch Or Strike

ZAPATA, RUBEN D:

Moving Traffic Viol - Driv
While LIC Suspend
Revocation Equiv Status



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ARCADIA, FL 34266

NOW \$235,900
WAS \$242,900



8451 SW SUNNYBREEZE RD
ARCADIA, FL 34269

NOW \$224,900
WAS \$239,000



11604 SE SHELTER AVE
ARCADIA, FL 34266

NOW \$449,000
WAS \$495,000



2798 SE LOVEJOY ST
ARCADIA, FL 34266

NOW \$399,000
WAS \$425,000



4019 NE BARTON TER
ARCADIA, FL 34266

NOW \$39,900
WAS \$49,500

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CLASSIFIED ADS DEADLINE:
Every Thursday, 5pm

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1. CARS & VEHICLES

ATVs
Bikes
Boats
Cars
Golf Carts
Motorcycles
Motorhomes
Campers/RV
Scooter
SUV
Travel Trailers
Trailers
Trucks
Vans
Parts & Accessories

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2. MERCHANDISE

Antiques & Collectibles
Appliances
Computers & Electronics
Clothing-Adult
Clothing-Children
Exercise Equipment
Guns & Ammo
Farm Equipment
Furniture
Hunting & Fishing
Lawn & Garden
Medical Equipment
Miscellaneous
Music Items
Produce
Sewing & Crafts
Sports Equipment
Tools & Building Materials

18

3. FARM & LIVESTOCK

Livestock for Sale
Feed & Supplies
FREE Livestock

20

4. PETS

Pets for Sale
Free Pets
Lost and Found
Pet Supplies

20

5. JOBS

Employment
Help Wanted
Looking for Job

22

6. REAL ESTATE

Commercial
Home for Sale
Land for Sale
Mobile Homes for Sale

22

7. RENTALS

Apt & Condo Rentals
Home Rental
Mobile Home Rentals
Office Space
Rooms for Rent
Vacation Rentals
Lots for Rent

24

8. SERVICES

Business Services
Boat Repair & Maint.
Caregiving
Cleaning
Lessons
Transportation
Wrecker Service

26

9. WANTED

Cars & Vehicles
Merchandise
Livestock
Pets
Real Estate
Rentals
Services

28

10. COMMUNITY

Auctions
Meetings
Lost & Found
Yard Sales

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CRYPTO FUN

Solve the code to discover words related to business.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 16 = \$)

- A.** 2 10 16 24 5 14 16 16
Clue: A company
- B.** 13 18 18 15 10 5 22 16
Clue: Records or statements
- C.** 14 3 21 4 15 26 14 14
Clue: Worker
- D.** 21 4 13 5
Clue: Map of how to proceed

Answers: A. business B. accounts C. employee D. plan

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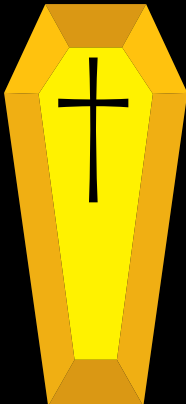
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Answer: Jenna Ortega

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to cold and flu.

V S E I R S U

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Answer: Viruses

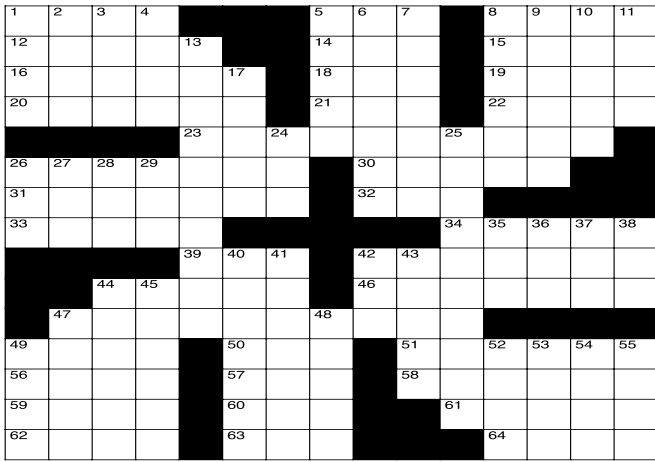
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Remark
5. Upper body part
8. Expression of dismissiveness
12. Alternate name
14. Popular beverage
15. Swiss river
16. Step-shaped recess
18. Rocker Stewart
19. Bright shade of color
20. Popular "street"
21. Wrath
22. Heat units
23. Nocturnal omnivorous mammals
26. Fall back into
30. Remove from the record
31. Sound a splash made
32. Popular Dodge pickup model
33. Jamaican river
34. Notable event in Texas history
39. Cool!
42. Subset of Judaism
44. Newly entered cadet
46. Duct in urinary system
47. Exterminator
49. Snatch quickly
50. Have already done
51. Less healthy
56. Therefore
57. What couples say on the altar
58. Mysteriously
59. Look angry or sullen
60. Bird's beak
61. Taco ingredient
62. Square measures
63. Google certification (abbr.)
64. Singer Hansard

CLUES DOWN

1. Pubs
2. Wings
3. Popular BBQ dish
4. Small sponge cake
5. Open-roofed entrance halls
6. Organize anew
7. Type of wine
8. Forums
9. North Atlantic islands (alt. sp.)
10. Pond dwellers
11. Large integers
13. Signaled
17. Brief
24. Type of student
25. Tibetan monasteries
26. Revolutions per minute
27. NY Giants great Manning
28. Local area network
29. Residue from burning
35. Illuminated
36. Vasopressin
37. Notable space station
38. Wood sorrel
40. Adhering to laws
41. Chose
42. Hovel
43. Stood up
44. European city
45. Works ceaselessly
47. Mistake
48. Sun-dried brick
49. Sicilian city
52. A steep rugged rock or cliff
53. Murder
54. Other
55. "Deadpool" actor Reynolds

PUZZLE SOLUTION

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TRUCKS

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VANS

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VANS

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2026 Water & Wastewater Rate Changes

Effective November 1, 2026, if Approved by City Council

Overview

Since 2024, the prices for power, treatment chemicals, and materials have risen sharply. The City absorbed these spikes by using our emergency savings to protect customers from rate hikes. Now, those savings are depleted, and revenues can no longer cover basic system needs or meet requirements for us to continue to qualify for loans from the state.

To close this gap, the City is introducing a multi-year rate plan starting November 1. Before proposing this, we reduced operating costs and secured millions in state funding to minimize the impact on residents. The new rates will help replenish emergency savings, pay for daily operations, and fund major construction projects over the next five years.

Our new rates will help us:



Pay for Daily Expenses

Cover sharp price increases since 2024 for power, chemicals, supplies, and maintenance work.



Invest in Infrastructure

Fund a \$77.4 million five-year capital improvement plan. Because we secured a state loan with 90% principal forgiveness, the state is paying for the vast majority of our upgrades, saving customers millions.



Ensure Financial Health

Restore utility finances, rebuild depleted emergency savings, and meet requirements for loans and grants that pay for system upgrades.



Single-family Residential Bills

A typical household using 4,000 gallons per month will see their bill change from \$89.62 to \$119.64 in FY 2027 (an increase of about \$1.00 a day).

All Other Customer Bills

Commercial accounts and larger meters are adjusted over the multi-year plan to ensure all customers contribute fairly to the overall system costs.

Fiscal Year	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
Increase	0%	33.5%	25%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%

Questions? For the proposed rate schedule or for answers to common questions, visit arcadia-fl.gov or call the City at (863) 494-4114.

THE PROPOSED WATER & WASTEWATER RATES WILL BE DISCUSSED AND VOTED ON AT THE OCTOBER 6, 2026 COUNCIL MEETING. IF THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED, THE NEW RATES WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE, NOVEMBER 1, 2026.

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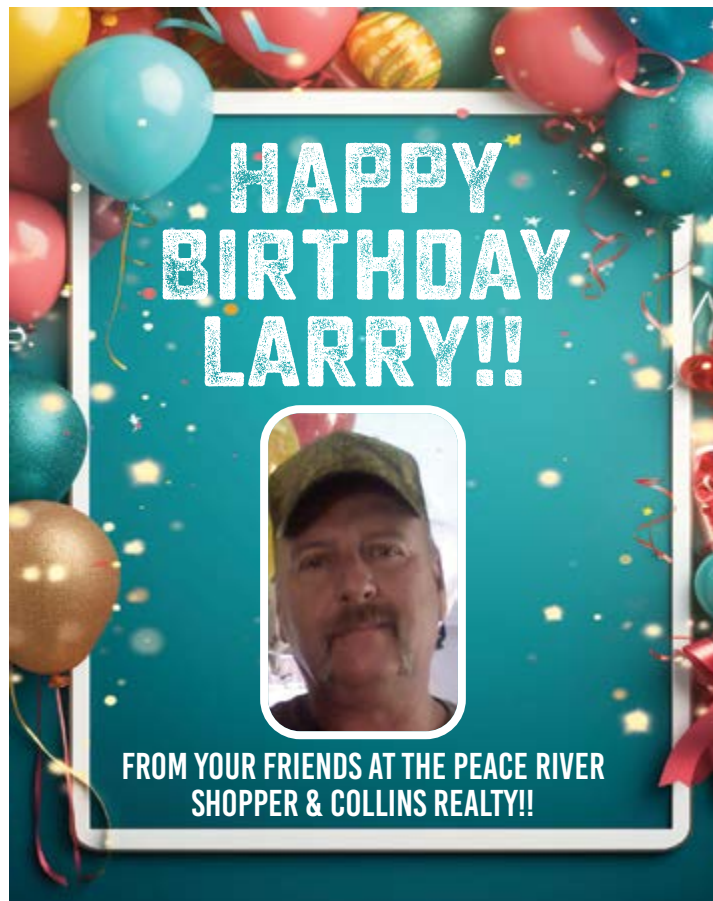
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8	4	2	1	7	9	6	3	5
7	5	9	6	4	3	2	1	8
2	8	7	4	5	1	9	6	3
4	9	6	3	8	7	5	2	1
5	1	3	9	6	2	8	4	7
9	7	5	2	3	6	1	8	4
3	2	8	5	1	4	7	9	6
1	6	4	7	9	8	3	5	2

ANSWER:

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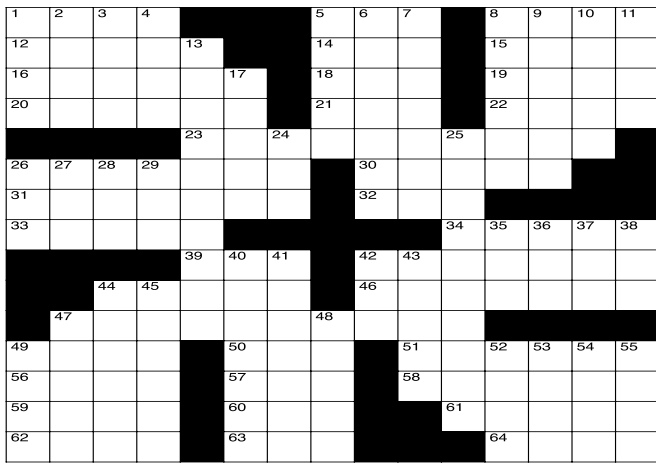
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CLUES ACROSS

1. El __, Texas town
5. Rocker's tool
8. A lot
12. Traveling by ground
14. Spelling competition
15. Two-toed sloth
16. Small perfumed bag
18. "Much __ about nothing"
19. Tough-skinned mollusk
20. Removes from record
21. It warms the planet
22. Leafy green
23. Quality of arriving favorably
26. Living thing
30. "Six of Crows" author Bardugo
31. Got around a rule
32. Resin from burned substance
33. Iraq seaport
34. Religious leaders

39. Fugitives are on it
42. Samson's influencer
44. Italian city
46. A quality of lacking interest
47. Predatory tropical fishes
49. Nobel physician Isidor
50. Luck
51. Stationary part of a motor or generator
56. Orthopedic professional group (abbr.)
57. One point south of due east
58. It follows 79
59. Paper currency
60. Anger
61. Spanish seaport
62. Sleep in a rough place
63. Famous museum
64. Selfs

CLUES DOWN

1. Bullfighting maneuver
2. From a distance
3. Soul and calypso song
4. Expressions of delight
5. Lower in esteem
6. Inner region of an organ
7. Flowers
8. A bog
9. Remove a fastening
10. Membranes
11. Enormous
13. One who abstains from drink
17. Malayan wild ox
24. Type of student
25. Rejecting all moral principles
26. Sino-Soviet block
27. Egyptian unit of weight
28. Wrong
29. Make a mistake

35. Indicates location
36. Boxing's "GOAT"
37. Where wrestlers compete
38. Timid
40. Disney town
41. Suggesting the horror of death and decay
42. Male parent
43. Remove for good
44. Simple shoes
45. Flowers
47. Hindi courtesy title for a man
48. Not pleased
49. "Atlas Shrugged" author
52. CIA officer and writer
53. Hoodlum
54. __ Von Bismarck, Iron Chancellor
55. Woolen rugs

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FPL LAUNCHES NEW ASSISTANCE CENTER, MAKING IT EASIER FOR CUSTOMERS TO FIND WAYS TO GET HELP AND SAVE *THE NEW ONLINE RESOURCE CENTER INCLUDES THE NEW FPL SAVING STEPS PROGRAM, WHICH OFFERS ELIGIBLE CUSTOMERS A ONE-TIME \$200 BILL CREDIT, ALONG WITH BILL ASSISTANCE, ENERGY-SAVING PROGRAMS AND LOCAL COMMUNITY RESOURCES.*

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Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) is launching a new online Assistance Center, designed to make it easier for customers to find programs that can help them save energy, manage their monthly bills and find additional support. This new resource features FPL Saving Steps, a new program that gives eligible participants ways to reduce everyday energy use and the opportunity to earn a one-time \$200 bill credit toward a future bill.

As Florida's summer heat drives higher energy use, FPL is focused on helping customers now while connecting them with tools that can support long-term savings. The new center brings together FPL programs, federal assistance options, energy-saving education and local nonprofit support so customers can more easily find the help that fits their needs.

WHAT IS FPL SAVING STEPS?

FPL Saving Steps is a new program available through the Assistance

Center that teaches practical ways to reduce everyday energy use and better manage monthly expenses. Eligible participants can earn a one-time \$200 bill credit toward a future FPL bill.

Saving Steps gives customers another way to take action on their energy use, complementing FPL's existing programs and tools that help customers understand consumption, improve efficiency and manage energy costs.

WHAT BILL PAYMENT SUPPORT AND SHORT-TERM RELIEF DOES FPL OFFER TO CUSTOMERS?

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WHAT COMMUNITY RESOURCES CAN CUSTOMERS FIND THROUGH THE ASSISTANCE CENTER?

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Clue: Cooking room

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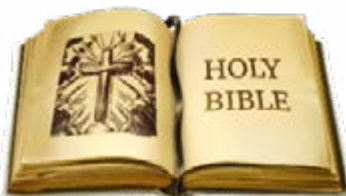
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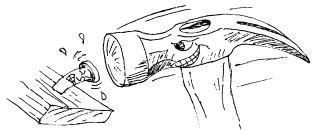
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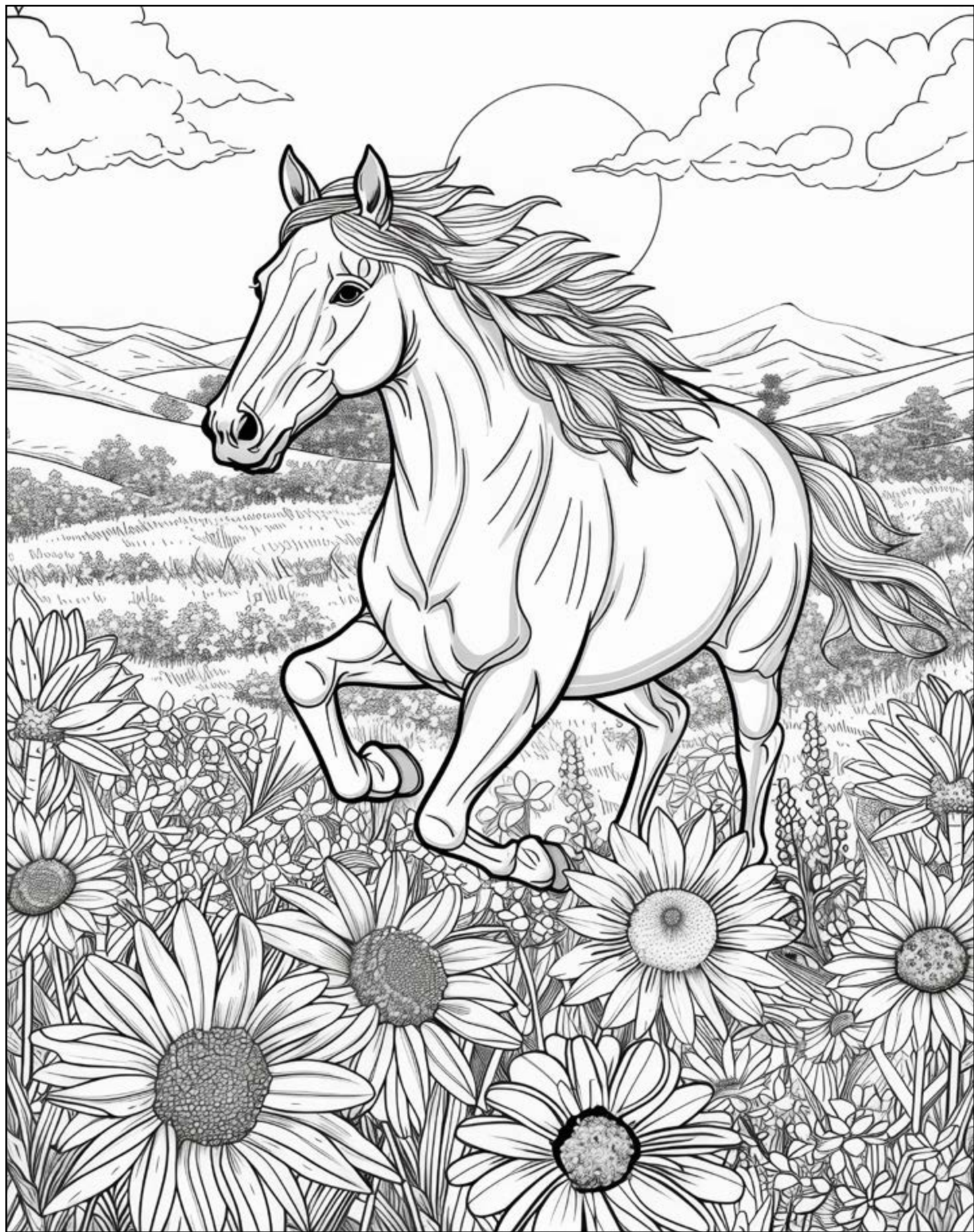
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CHAPTER 18

It has been years now since John and I were together. I still go by the old house they lived in and wonder what happened. Right after I graduated, I broke my neck and had surgery on it. Oh, I could walk around ok but still, I broke my neck. Happily married now with my high school sweet heart and we have two boys ages 6 and 3, They are a handful alright. I work at the Fire Department and really enjoy my job. Life goes on for us and it is great. Church on Sunday, very thankful for all God has given us. We own a little 3-bedroom house over on Skates Street and are really doing good. Where we live now you can see the driveway to John's old house. Kinda weird that we wound up there, at least that's what I keep thinking. Sometimes I go that way on my way to work, just to look over at it. Not much to it anymore, grown up weeds and grass. Can't even see the barn out back from the road, too many grown up trees. Years go by, it's now been at least 30 years since I last saw John. My kids are grown and now I have grandkids. Which by the way, are better than I ever imagined. Of course, they all know the stories of me and John when we would do all our crazy stuff. Our oldest son lives about two miles from us. All married with two boys of his own. When they come over from their house, they come right by John's old house. One night they came over for dinner and my son says that he saw something over at John's house. Something in the drive, not sure if it was a vehicle but it was pretty big sitting right in front of the front door. My first thought was that someone was moving in over there and they must have finally sold it. Dinner could wait I said, let's go. My son and I get in the truck and head over there. Just as soon as I pull in the drive way I could tell that it wasn't a regular vehicle, it was more of a bus or semi, maybe even a large container. As we got closer, it was clear what it was and it wasn't at all what I was thinking.

HOW MUCH DO WE KNOW ABOUT THE GREAT BIBLICAL FLOOD?

The biblical flood as the greatest catastrophe ever experienced on our earth. Chapters in bible scriptures mention the flood in the book of Genesis. God sent the flood to destroy mankind whose sins were so great he was sorry he ever created mankind. The destruction of the flood continued for over a year; 371 days. It took 7 months for the waters to subside before Noah could leave the ark he built with his 3 sons. The ark landed on a mountain called Ararat in the country of Southern Turkey. The ark was seaworthy to escape the huge waves of the flood. God said in 7 days from now I will send rain on the earth for 40 days and 40 nights. I will wipe from the face of the earth every living creature I have created. God who took so much pride in his creation was now ready to destroy it. He would no longer tolerate the evil and violence that had spread across the world. Noah was 600 years old when the flood waters started. Bible scriptures tell us all the springs of the great deep burst open and brought massive waters to the surface. The flood gates of Heaven were also opened.

This great event was so spectacular one cannot comprehend it. For 40 days the flood kept punishing the earth. All the mountains on the earth were covered with water. The peaks of the mountains were covered to a depth of more than 20 feet; Genesis 7:20-22. The waters flooded the earth for 150 days; Genesis 7:24. After that time frame God sent a wind over the earth and the rains and water stopped. Folks, can you visualize the power of this flood and how destructive it was? God's divine power was at work. God made a covenant with Noah that he would never flood the earth again. A rainbow in the sky would prove it. All the colors in the rainbow are significant.

Folks is history going to repeat itself? The book of Revelations of the Bible tells us our earth is going to be cleansed by fire not water. After cleansing our planet will be ready for the New World ruled by Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. The new Jerusalem will again be very important.

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6	7	2	5	9	4	8	3	1
9	5	1	3	8	2	4	6	7
4	8	3	6	7	1	9	2	5
7	4	8	9	3	6	1	5	2
1	6	5	8	2	7	3	4	9
2	3	9	4	1	5	6	7	8
5	9	6	7	4	8	2	1	3
3	2	7	1	6	9	5	8	4
8	1	4	2	5	3	7	9	6

ANSWER:

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