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Hoka Days Merges Art and Community in Oxford

Plethora of Events Kicks Off the Dog Days of Summer

While football may dominate the fall, **Oxford** will have a host of events starting in August. For the past several years, the Yoknapatawpha Arts Council (YAC) has developed programs that engage the local community and returning students as school begins.

Following the passing of beloved townie Ron Shapiro, YAC launched Hoka Days to encourage community members to explore the diverse cultural offerings available

in Lafayette County.

This year, Hoka Days returns beginning Thursday August 1, boasting a full slate of events covering music, art, food, dance, theatre, and free community events. The program kicks off with a visual art showcase that brings artists from across Mississippi to Oxford. An open studio in the Plein Air neighborhood of Taylor features Robert Townsend, whose recent Oxford series is on exhibit. The visual art portion continues with a Friday evening event at Oxford Treehouse Gallery and a Saturday event hosted by The Oliver Hotel with artists from across Mississippi sharing stories about their work. Unlike a traditional art exhibit, the audience is invited to vote for their favorite story, and the winning artist will receive a cash prize.

Performances during the month include Leda Swan, who will present a free dance concert at the Powerhouse entitled Butoh: Dance of Shadow and Light on August 2 & 3. LOFT's annual Night for Nonprofits will highlight the work of community organizations. Oxford on Skates will host two free family-friendly skating events with music at the **Old Armory Pavilion**. A community block party with DJs and a community talent showcase with food trucks returns as part of the event. Former Senator Trent Lott will be the featured speaker at the Melodies and Monologues event, with a talk about how to achieve things in life. Nerd-Vana returns for two days of pop culture indulgences with appearances by Power Rangers, a Nerd Prom, and vendors featuring games, collectibles, and clothing at the Powerhouse and on the Square.

Theatre Oxford is partnering with the popular storytelling event Spillit, which invites community members to take the stage and share stories around a theme. This

> year's theme is "Breaking New Ground," with the winner receiving an invitation to the Spillit championship in Memphis. Delta Rising redefines the concept of a show as it uses food, drink, music, and art to help attendees explore the Mississippi Delta. Anubis Improv will host a two-person improv showcase that engages the audience in the creative process. The celebration ends with the annual Second Line and Dance in memory of Ron Shapiro.

New this year is **Bit of the Sip** taking place from August 9-11, which is a mini festival inside Hoka Days that focuses on drink and food. YAC recognized that the popular Iron Bartender event attracts contestants and attendees from all around the Mid-South.

"We realized people were coming for Iron Bartender and spending the

night," said YAC Director Wayne Andrews. "Our goal was to build upon its success and create opportunities for people to have experiences with makers in the farms, restaurants, and shops in our community. This mini festival offers a chance to have lunch with chefs from the Delta, talk to distillers, pair wine and cheese with the cheese maker and winery owner, pair cigars and port with the owner of the cigar brand, or just learn how to make bread or hot sauce."

A full schedule of events, many of which are free, can be found online at www.oxfordarts.com.



A monument of Ron Shapiro, owner of the beloved Hoka Theatre, is installed near the front door of The Powerhouse in Oxford. Photo by Newt Rayburn.







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Dinner 5:30-10pm Monday-Thursday & 5:30-10:30pm Friday/Saturday Happy Hour 4-6PM Daily



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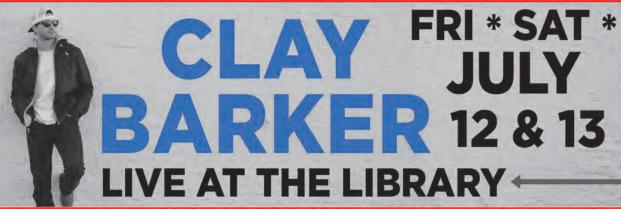
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THURSDAY 7.11.2024

► City Grocery: ANNE SCOTT BARRETT art reception (4:30-6:30 pm) ► Moe's: BINGO

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Christmas in July Book Sale; Teen origami afternoon (2-5 pm); Your Wild Backyard with Master Naturalists ANGIE GETZ and KATIE BOYLE (5:30 pm)

Magnolia Coffee Co. (Water Valley): Wine Night (6–9 pm) Lafayette County Multipurpose Arena: Meet Your Farmers (3–6 pm) Creative Learning Center at North Oxford Baptist Church: Hiring Event for Teachers and Assistant Teachers (9 am-5 pm)

FRIDAY 7.12.2024

- ► The Library: CLAY BARKER (9 pm)
- ► Rafters on the Water: PROUD HOUND (7-10 pm)

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Christmas in July Book Sale; Storytime (10:30 am); Tell Me About It Book Club (2 pm)

Creative Learning Center at North Oxford Baptist Church: Hiring Event for Teachers and Assistant Teachers (9 am-5 pm)

SATURDAY 7.13.2024

- ► The Library: CLAY BARKER (9 pm)
- ► Rafters on the Water: HAGGARD COLLINS BAND (7-10 pm)

Midtown Shopping Center: Midtown Farmer's Market (7–11 am)

Proud Larry's: THELMA & THE SLEAZE, EMETERS

Magnolia Coffee Co. (Water Valley): Burger Night (6-9 pm)

Oxford Gamerz Den: Yu-Gi-Oh: The Infinite Forbidden Premiere! (1–5 pm) Lafayette Co Multipurpose Arena: Level III Bonsai Demo Class (10 am-noon) Stone Park Ballfield: OPC Community Water Day (free; 10 am-4 pm)

SUNDAY 7.14.2024

► Rafters on the Water: ROCKET 88 (1-4 pm)

The Orchard: Summer Nights Food, Games, and Teaching (5:30–8:30 pm)

MONDAY 7.15.2024

R & R Cookies: Cake decorating class for kids (10-10:30 am)

TUESDAY 7.16.2024

- ► Moe's: Trivia (7 pm)
- ▶ Off Square Books: There Is Happiness: A Celebration of the last collected works of BRAD WATSON (5:30 pm)
- ► Old Armory Pavilion: Oxford Community Market (3-6:30 pm)

Avent Park: Pirate for a Day (5:30-7:30 pm)

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Baby storytime (9:30 am)

WEDNESDAY 7.17.2024

- ► Funkys: LADIES NIGHT
- ► Moe's Penny Bar: COMEDY OPEN MIC (9 pm)
- ▶ Off Square Books: ELI CRANOR reads & signs Broiler (5:30 pm)
- ▶ Old Armory Pavilion: OXFORD ON SKATES (3:30-5 pm; free, BYOskates)

Campus Wines: Wine Tasting (5-7 pm)

Circle & Square Brewing: TRIVIA (7 pm)

Magnolia Coffee Co., Water Valley: DIY Tie Dye (6pm)

Midtown Shopping Center: Midtown Farmer's Market (7-11 am)

Lafayette County Multipurpose Arena: Mid-South Mobile Food Pantry (7 am)

THURSDAY 7.18.2024

- ► Moe's: BINGO
- ▶ Off Square Books: JULIA PHILLIPS in conversation with **SNOWDEN WRIGHT** for **Bear** (5 pm)

Lafayette Co & Oxford Public Library: Check It Out Adult Book Club (5:30 pm)

Proud Larry's: THE PINK STONES

FRIDAY 7.19.2024

- ► The Library: TY TAYLOR (9 pm)
- ► Rafters on the Water: OPIE & THE BOYS (7-10 pm) Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Storytime (10:30 am)

SATURDAY 7.20.2024

- ► The Library: TY TAYLOR (9 pm)
- ▶ Rafters on the Water: HAGGARD COLLINS BAND (7-10 pm)

Midtown Shopping Center: Midtown Farmer's Market (7-11 am)

Proud Larry's: MOSQUITO BROTHERS

Oxford Gamerz Den: Lorcana: Ursula's Return Set Championship (2 pm) Cherry Creek Orchards (Pontotoc): Peach Festival (9 am-7 pm) Tanglefoot Pavilion (Pontotoc): Kids Day (11 am-4 pm)

SUNDAY 7.21.2024

▶ Rafters on the Water: JOE AUSTIN & THE TALLAHATCHIES (1-4 pm)

MONDAY 7.22.2024

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Pokémon Playdate (2 pm)

TUESDAY 7.23.2024

- ► Moe's: TRIVIA (7 pm)
- ► Old Armory Pavilion: Oxford Community Market (3–6:30 pm) Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Baby storytime (9:30 am)

WEDNESDAY 7.24.2024

- ► Funkys: LADIES NIGHT
- ► Moe's Penny Bar: COMEDY OPEN MIC

Campus Wines: Wine Tasting (5-7 pm)

Circle & Square Brewing: TRIVIA (7 pm)

Midtown Shopping Center: Midtown Farmer's Market (7–11 am) Magnolia Coffee Co. (Water Valley): Oxford Hat Bar Pop-Up (4:30 pm)

SQUARE BOOKS PRESENTS...



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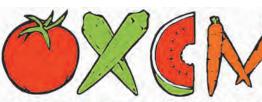
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally Unlisted clue hint: FURRY DAM BUILDER

Caribou Flannel Football Lakes Lumberjack Maple syrup Outdoors Parliament Politeness

Provinces Rubaboo Skiing



Oxford Community Market Every Tuesday 3-6:30 PM

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Remember: No word can begin with zero.

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+ TROUT	B = 1
RELAX	$\mathbf{E} = 7$
	K = 6

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t_LV King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Balm target 4 Baseball's Ty 8 Get wind of

12 Have bills 13 "Beetle Bailey"

dog

14 Sax range 15 Pasadena arena

17 Texter's "As I see it" 18 Complete

19 Newt 21 Ozone, for one

22 Elevated 26 Weary sounds

29 Watch chain

30 Sardonic

31 Slightly 32 In medias --

33 Harvard rival

34 Baseball's Hodges

35 Singer Scaggs

36 Avid 37 Proverbs

39 eBay offer

40 Haw preceder

41 Draw forth

symbol

48 Brisk tempos 50 Sacred bird of

Egypt 51 Yarn

52 - loss

53 Shade 54 Genesis

garden

55 Rail

DOWN

tales

1 Traditional

2 Victor's cry

4 Hooded snakes

3 Nuisance

Oklahoma

6 Texter's

"Incidentally"

7 Waist-length

5Some

natives

jackets

8 Part of

Hispaniola

9 Stately tree

10 Sports fig.

16 Octet count

11 Aussie hopper

50

25 Color worker

26 Long story 27 Footnote abbr.

28 Arizona river 29 Shriner's

chapeau

32 Optimistic

33 "Get what I'm sayin'?"

35 Garden buzzer

47 Martini liquor

49 Young bloke

36 Actress Brennan

38 Specter 39 Ball VIP

42 Grouch 43 Speck

44 Russian ruler

45 Ignited

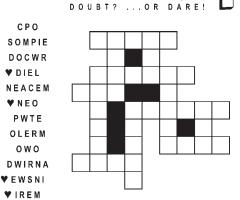
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20 "Terrif!" 45 Corporate 23 Booty 53 24 Perry's CPO



Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

on sticks

attack dog

98 Cry to an

99 Source of

103 Big name

pianos

108 Drizzles or

109 Doa

sprinkles

botherer

112 Guileless

114 Fish's

heroine

respiratory

starts of eight

might appear

answers in

this puzzle

structure

music to

accompany

silent films

in concert

79 Seismic

88 Actress

Leah

90 Quebecois

national

anthem

91 Butter bits

95 With

93 Takes heed

124-Across,

dreaded time

of the year

for many

allergy sufferers

96 Last words

97 Links org.

99 Land parcel

100 Fur-covered

101 Duck variety

102 Charge-free

104 "Twin Peaks"

105 Be the

106 Ward off

107 — Buena

Island

111 Gillette razor

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champion of

of a threat

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging ♦ HOO BOY!



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ACROSS

1 Male cats 5 "Unto the Sons" author

Gay 11 Perp's place 15 Overwhelm,

as with humor 19 Getting the

task done 20 Region next to Catalonia

21 Minnesota ex-governor Carlson

22 Something to belt out

23 "Save As," "Print" or 'Select All" 25 Name as

a source 26 Liturgical act

27 "Alas, it wasn't to be' 28 Africa's

Amin

29 Destitute 30 Sponsorship

31 Small telescope

34 Diner classic **37** Ancient Celtic

priest 39 Join together in a labor

group **40** Message on a protective

book cover 45 Breastbone 49 Holds fast (to)

50 Makes sure the task gets done

54 Kong or Koko

55 6/6/1944 56 Extracts via

udders 58 Small gift for shindig guests

61 Purported psychic skill – job on

(messed up) 63 They propel paramecia

65 Actress Dunne 66 Spot in a

hotel to book 115 Where the a room 70 Happen next

73 South African grassland -edged

pages 75 Positive vote

78 Certain fruit bar

81 Sheriff's aides 83 U.S. fort

holding gold 84 Scarfed down 125 Kett of old

85 More restless 87 Miserly sort 89 Stationery

store product

92 Ping-Pong

118 Street — (rep in the city) **119** War god 120 Senator Sanders 121 Low- — diet 122 Model Banks **123** Heredity unit 124 See 95-Down

DOWN

comics

1 Burial sites 2 Barely ahead 3 Like many toothpastes

4 Attacked like a bee 5 Confucian

"way" 6 Upper limb 7 Antifungal brand

8 "Good grief!" 9 Part of SST 10 Put a stop to

11 British actor Derek 12 Melodic

110 Cereal grain passage 13 While being 113 Verdi opera shipped

> 14 Filmdom's Spike or Ang 15 Person

scattering seeds, say 16 Brother of

Nintendo's Mario 17 Shenanigan

18 "Good grief!" 24 More chilly 29 Play on

words 30 Wooddressing tool

32 Twin of Apollo

33 Diminish

35 Engine oil, for short

36 — -gritty

38 Twilight time 40 Precious green stone

76 Bear or Berra

41 Tosses in

42 British fellow **43** Lock unlocker

44 Alters in size, 82 Balls as a photo 83 "- -Tiki" 86 "- deal!" 46 Church area

with pews 47 Resting atop 48 Nothing

more than 51 Cut and dried soup veggie

52 "Dynamite" singer Cruz 53 Chimps'

cousins 57 Future pupae 59 Clenched

hand 60 Genesis boat

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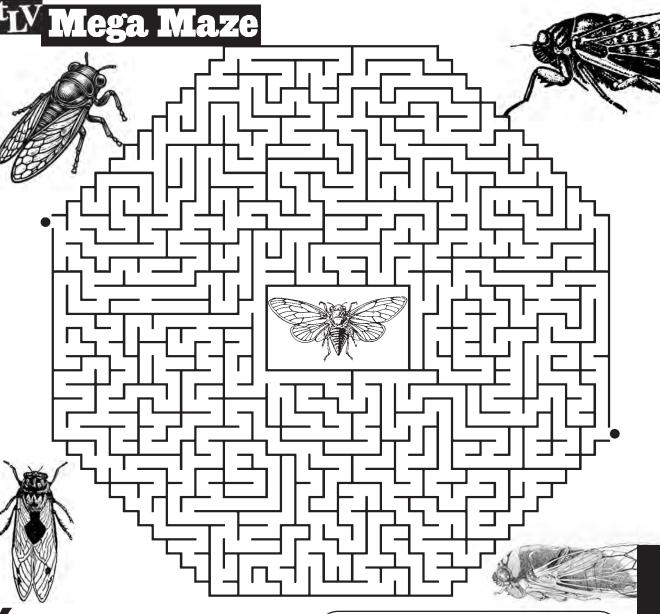
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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is **Longfellow**

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's. X for the two O's, etc. Single letters. apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

WS XI VI DSFTFJ, XZT

JSG'FF PVZT GZAKLAOIAT

PSEOAU OFSUVZW ESGZT

JSG XZT OSHVZW IS JSGE

XVT. - DXUVF NVZW

There are 13 black hexagons in the

puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can

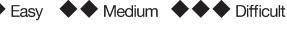
be repeated in any partial hexagon

shape along the border of the puzzle.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆ ◆







CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: D equals F

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QEUTX UD NJEOPCY HKPGG

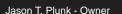
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NUKXPYR OUQJOIJE?

- 1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the highest peak in Europe?
- 2. **TELEVISION:** What is the name of the town in the Netflix series "Stranger Things"?
- 3. LITERATURE: What is the title of the book about a little girl who lives at The Plaza Hotel in New York City?
- 4. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the traditional stone associated with the July birth month?
- 5. MYTHOLOGY: Which mythical creature has snakes for hair?
- 6. MOVIES: Who voices the character Joy in the animated movie "Inside Out"?
- 7. **ANATOMY:** What is the outermost layer of skin called?
- 8. **INVENTIONS:** Which blue medication, originally developed to lower blood pressure, had an unexpected effect on male patients and later was used to treat erectile dysfunction?
- 9. **HISTORY:** Who was crowned as Emperor of the Romans in 800 A.D.?
- 10. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which state has produced the most presidents by birthplace? **PUSWERS BELOW**

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"He who has a why to live for can bear almost any how."

Friedrich Nietzsche (October 15, 1844 - August 25 1900)

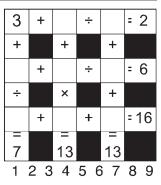
Virginia, with eight. 环 7. Epidermis. 8. Viagra. 9. Charlemagne. 10. 3. "Eloise." 4. Ruby. 5. Medusa. 6. Amy Poehler. Answers: 1. Mount Elbrus. 2. Hawkins, Indiana.

GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult *** GO FIGURE!



PUZZLE PLAYGROUN Solutions to puzzles are inside The Local Voice Digital Edition sent every Thursday

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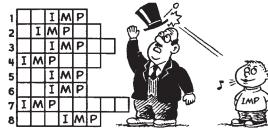
CLOWNING AROUND! Which of these "lefties" gave Dusty the Clown a quick bath?

Answers: Fred was right on target.

by Charles Barry Townsend

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A DEVILISH WORD CONTEST!



Illustrated by David Coulson

A TRICKY QUICKIE! To the right is an incorrect equation. Can you make it correct by adding one straight line to it?

11+11+1=1,152

Answer: Add a straight line to the second plus sign, turning it into a "4." The equation will 23t, t = 141t + 11 to the read 1.

friend finds another target. 1. A light way to travel. 2. What a teen-ager hates.

HOLY WORD-SQUARE, BATMAN! At the right is a word square grid. Can you find the four five-letter words that

Answers: 1. Joker. 2. Olive. 3. Kites. 4. Event. 5. Rests.

- J'O'K'E'R
- match the definitions below? All words used must read the same both across and down. 1. A toothy villian (given).
 - 2. Provides food and liquid. 4. A significant occurrence.
- o
- 3. To complain and whine. 4. To obstruct the progress of. 5. To be stingy with.
- 6. Tarzan's friend.
- 7. Regal or majestic.
- 8. To be frugal.

Answers: 1. Blimp. 2. Pimple. 3. Whimper. 4. Impede. 5. Skimp. 6. Chimp. 7. Imperial. 8. Scrimp.

In the grid shown here, there is room for

eight "impish" words. Each contains the

word "IMP." Using the following hints, see if you can solve this puzzle before our

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KNIGHT MOVES

Unlock the power of chess to find the eight-letter word of the day. Choose your starting letter carefully, then move around the square in a one by two fashion to get to the next letter.

WORD LADDERS

Can you go from SAUCE to TASTY in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

3. The wind is their friend.

5. What a sick person does.

SAUCE

TASTY

Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Pie shell		_ s _	Olive oil vessel		E _	
2. Robust		_ 0	Kite cord		_ ' _	
3. Seem to be		R	Court room request			_ L
4. Vernacular	L		Granny's parlor game	В _		_
5. Face cosmetic	\	w	Contemplate		Ν	
6. Subsequently	F _		Modify	L		_
7. Closing moment		E	Last class exams			_ s
8. Empty space	′	Α	Eye movement		I	_
9. Take second place	_ L _		Tranquility	_ E		_
10. Inn's guest	[D	Forest worker		G	



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Monkey Business on the Square

Once upon a day so cheery while I spoke with friends held dearly o'er libations cold and beery pond'ring strange things we had seen,

suddenly we saw a couple walking down Van Buren snuggling, window shopping, though not bustling, around the Square pristine,

All at once we four did notice, as if life were out of focus, something strange, perhaps verboten, wond'ring, "Halloween?"

Our calendars we all were checking, weighed them and we found them lacking. 'Twas July 6 and we were baking hot and melting prometheens.

John Cofield Photo of the Week

"Birthday Party at Avent Park"

Ernest Oliver's picture of his son's cowboy-themed birthday party at the park is a Norman Rockwell-worthy image of Oxford, Avent Park, and the old fire truck. Among the partiers that day, Jonathan Oliver is bottom right, Drew Fair is under the truck looking up, and Allison Fair is standing at the top.

We all took a closer lookie, confirmed that it was not a Wookie, or a monster known as Cookie this spry thing so lean.

We watched and watched with jaws a' slacking, fin'ly at each other cackling at this sight that was so baffling. We hooted and we screamed!

Never in a month of Sundays did any of us think that one day we'd behold a thing more shocking, than this thing we had seen.

People on the streets were staring, some of them perplexed and glaring. Most were dumbstruck at this pairing, but little children beamed.

We often scoff at things not common, things long gone and oft forgotten, like red, red robins bob bob bobbin' they walk right past, unseen.

Once I had three aunts named Myrtle. One died from a too tight girdle, a second failed to clear a hurdle, the third drowned in ice cream.

A table mate said she'd once scuffled with a man with white shirt ruffled. She said she beat him with her bustle, the whale bones unforeseen.

Another said she'd shot her mother, father, sister, and her brother. She wished to do that to her lover but he had split the scene.

The fourth just sat and cussed and cussed about a man who squeezed her bust. She left the intruder in the dust with her very sharpened knees.





Now you've heard about the somethings seen by we four Oxford bumkins. I hope you know that we weren't bluffin'. We had all come clean.

But what we'd all seen on that day left our minds in disarray causing all to pause and say, "Of this we'll always sing".

A monkey clung to a woman's back, but that's not what took us aback. It was the diaper that had wrapped his butt and ding-a-ling.

I've seen many a strange, strange thing like Summer snow and blazing Springs, but the oddest thing I've ever seen was a diapered monkey shop shop ing.

I made a vow upon that day: no more watching *Planet of the Apes*. Manifesting diapered primates Was simply not my thing.

Now you've read my story true. Eyes wide open so that you won't be bumfuzzled at The View from The Balcony.

If you spy a diapered primate, drunken students, impaired band mates. Chalk it up to stuff you may see in your View from The Balcony.

Randy Weeks is a Licensed Professional Counselor, a Certified Shamanic Life Coach, an ordained minister, a singer-song-writer, an actor, and a writer. He may have watched too many versions of The Planet of the Apes. Randy may be reached swinging through the vines through Faulkner's Woods or at: randallsweeks@gmail.com.

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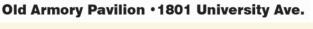
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Hibiscus plants offer a rainbow of colors and petal shapes, each variety contributing a vivid and impactful display for your garden.

Among the diverse types, the hardy hibiscus (Hibiscus moscheutos) is a tall shrub with 6–9-inch blooms, adding a dramatic flair to your landscape. The tropical hibiscus (H. rosa-sinensis) unfolds its petals to display dramatic colors, creating a stunning focal point. Meanwhile, the Rose of Sharon (*H. syriacus*) graces gardens with its sturdy, deciduous presence, extending a delicate beauty that evolves with the changing seasons. The fourth and last hibiscus in this series is a woody species, (H. mutabilis) or confederate rose, a southern favorite.

In this column, we focus on the hardy hibiscus. With its

enormous blooms, the perennial hardy hibiscus adds a pop of color and value wherever you grow it. Hibiscus gives the Mississippi gardener a broad spectrum of color to infuse on the landscape. Some of the blooms can be as large as 12 inches across, which is why it is often referred to as the dinnerplate hibiscus.

Growth Habits

This bushy plant can grow from two to five feet tall, depending on the selection. It has foliage that ranges from light to medium green, while other varieties feature burgundy and dark-purple leaves. During the winter, the plant growth usually dies back to ground level.

Selecting the Right Location

The success of your hardy hibiscus venture begins with choosing the perfect spot. These plants thrive in full sun, so select a location that receives at least six hours of direct sunlight daily.

Soil Preferences

This variety of hibiscus is not particularly finicky about soil but does best in a well-drained, nutrient-rich environment. Incorporate organic matter into the soil to enhance its fertility and drainage. In areas with heavy clay soil, consider amending the soil with compost to improve its structure.



Planting Depth & Spacing

When planting a hardy hibiscus, ensure that the root ball is level with the soil surface. Spacing is crucial to allow for proper air circulation and prevent overcrowding. Aim for a spacing of about 3 to 4 feet between plants to give each one ample room to flourish.

Watering

While the hardy hibiscus is drought-tolerant once established, it is essential to provide consistent moisture during dry spells. Water deeply, ensuring the soil remains consistently moist but not waterlogged. Mulching around the base helps retain moisture and regulates soil temperature.



Head Over Heels Adore has big flowers with a bold presence that adds interest and value to any landscape. Photograph by MSU Extension/Eddie Smith.

Fertilizing

To encourage lush growth and abundant blooms, fertilize your hardy hibiscus regularly during the growing season. A balanced fertilizer with a ratio such as 10-10-10 provides the necessary nutrients for these voracious growers. Apply fertilizer in early spring and again in midsummer.

Pruning

The hardy hibiscus ben-

efits from regular pruning to shape the plant and encourage bushier growth. In late winter or early spring, before new growth emerges, give your hardy hibiscus a more thorough pruning. Remove any dead or weak stems, cutting them back to the base.

Winter Preparations

While the term "hardy" suggests resilience, providing winter care ensures the health of your hardy hibiscus. In late fall, apply a layer of mulch around the base to insulate the soil and protect the roots from harsh winter conditions. Ty



- If you emptied a glass of water into the ocean and waited long enough to ensure that it was thoroughly mixed and distributed throughout the world's seas, then each glass of water taken from the ocean would contain around 250 molecules from that original glass.
- **Euclid** is the most successful textbook writer of all time. His Elements, written around 300 BC, has gone through more than 1,000 editions since the invention of printing.
- The **Romans** used poisonous lead as a sweetening agent.
- People who have strokes in the left frontal lobes of their brains resulting in severe language loss are better able to detect lies than people without brain damage.
- Generally, centipedes do not have 100 legs. For that matter, millipedes don't have 1,000 legs. Different species of centipedes have between 30 and 346 legs, while different species of millipedes have between 40 and 750 legs.
- The east coast of **Canada** is closer to London, England, than the west coast of Canada.
- Sorry, Chicago, you so-called "Windy City" -- you're not the windiest city in America, or even close: That honor goes to Great Falls, Montana, with an average hourly wind speed of 13.4 miles.
- The last United States president to be born in a log cabin was James Garfield, on November 19, 1831.
- What's in a name, indeed! A 1964 piece by avant-garde American composer La Monte Young is titled "The Tortoise Recalling the Drone of the Holy Numbers as They Were Revealed in the Dreams of the Whirlwind and the Obsidian Gang, Illustrated by the Sawmill, the Green Sawtooth Ocelot, and the High-tension Line Stepdown Transformer."

Thought for the Day: "Basically, the first half of life is writing the text, and the second half is writing the commentary on that text."

- Richard Rohr 🔯



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps









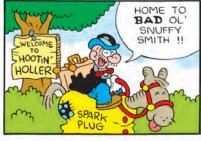
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Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

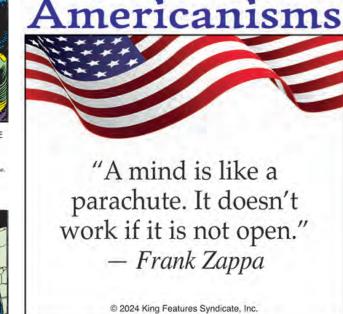






...IT IS LORD GRUNYARD HIMSELF, HELPING TO DISPERSE FOOD TO DESPERATE FARMERS. RHODA CALLS HIM OVER TO THE ASTONISHED VAL. "I'LL BET YOU NEVER SAW ME SOBER!" HE LAUGHS...

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"...BUT I MUST SAY THAT I HAVE NEVER BEEN HAPPIER. THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF RULING – I WAS NEVER CUT OUT FOR IT, YOU KNOW. ESCAPED INTO DRINK AND WOULD HAVE DIED IN RUIN IF NOT FOR RHODA HERE!

"THEY HAVE A GOOD IDEA, I THINK IM GOING TO STAY HERE II LOCKBRAMBLE AND HELP REBUILD IT-SO LONG AS I DON'T HAVI TO MAKE THE DECISIONS I'LL BE ALL RIGHT. NEXT:

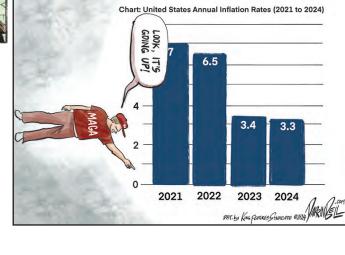


















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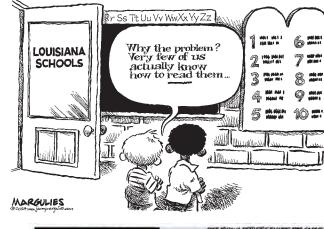






















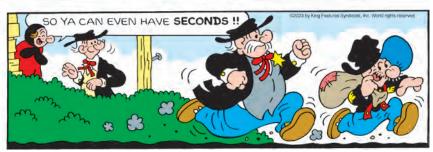














"Your regular counselor is out homesick."

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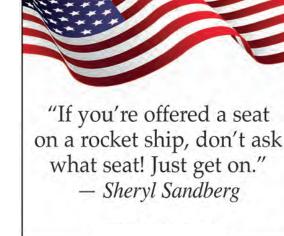
Amber Waves















Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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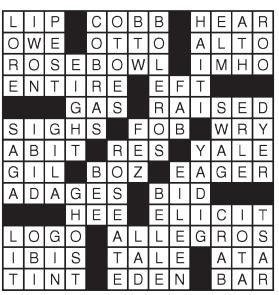
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King Crossword **Answers**

Solution time: 26 mins.





"WELCOME TO SKY CITY, DALE ARDEN," THE DOCS SAY AS THEY PULL ME FROM THE TANK.



I FIND AN OLD MAN WANDERING THE HALLS.





TURNS OUT THEY HAVE A DAUGHTER, ADRANE APPARENTLY, SHE'S THE REASON I'M ALIVE.



SKY CITY LOOKS LIKE A UTOPIA FROM UP ABOVE, BUT NOTHING HERE COMES FREE.

IN OTHER DREAMS... THE PLANE DOESN'T CRASH.

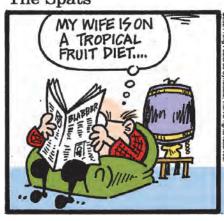
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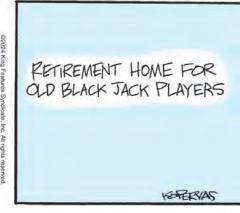
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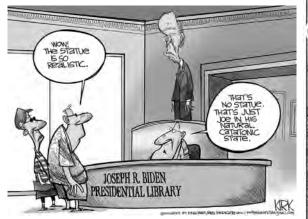
by Jeff Pickering IT'S ENOUGH TO MAKE A MANGO CRAZY

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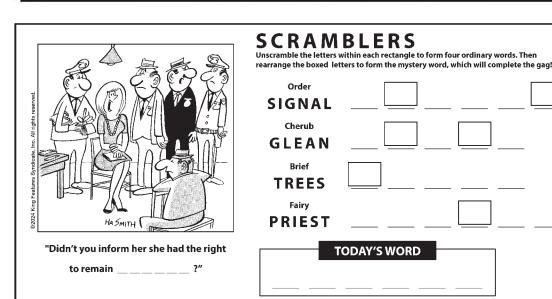
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And take heed, lest you lift your eyes to heaven, and when you see the sun, the moon, and the stars, all the host of heaven, you feel driven to worship them and serve them, which the Lord your God has given to all the peoples under the whole heaven as a heritage.

DEUTERONOMY 4:19



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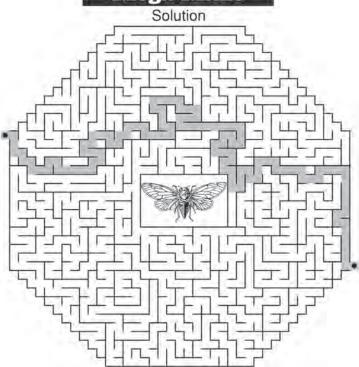
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Weekly SUDOKU

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What would you call a group of certain small flatfish that start a company together? Co-flounders.

CryptoQuip

CryptoQuote

answer

Go at it boldly, and you'll find unexpected forces closing round you and coming to your aid. - Basil King

SCRAMBLERS solution

1. Aligns; 2. Angel;

SILENT

Even Exchange answers

1. Crust, Cruet

Strong, String

Appear, Appeal

Lingo, Bingo

Powder, Ponder

- 6. After, Alter
- Finale, Finals
- Blank, Blink
- Place, Peace
- Lodger, Logger

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solution

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Today's Word

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WORD LADDER -

KNIGHT MOVES — Answer

Answer SAUCE, SAUTE, HAUTE, HASTE, HASTY, TASTY

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