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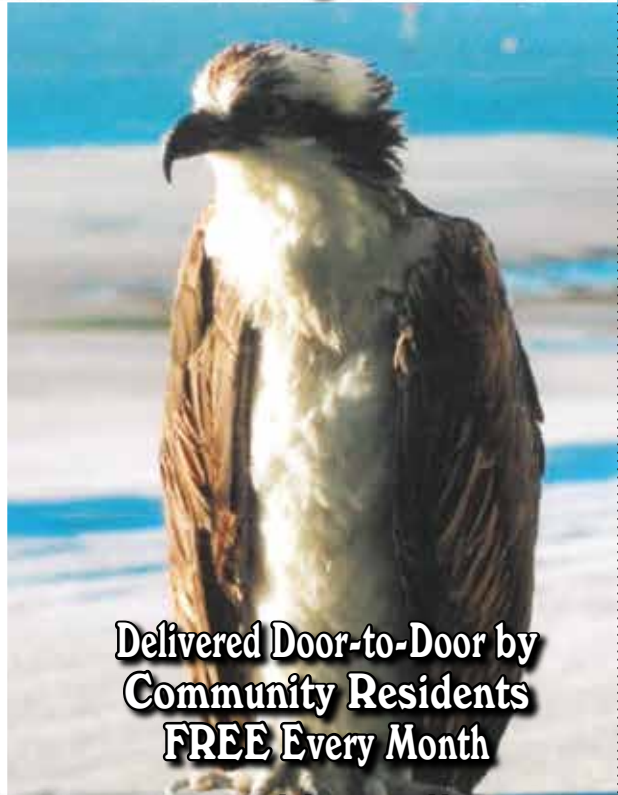
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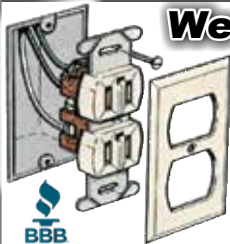
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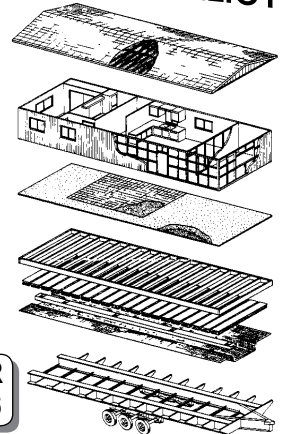
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Shout Out

A shout out to the Women's Club for sponsoring a really super NFL Championship Party. We were offered pizza and soft drinks and everyone brought snacks to share. Food was great, game was exciting and we can't wait till next year.

Mardi Gras

The Mardi Gras Parade and Party on Feb. 26 was really something to talk about. We ate New Orleans food and sang our voices out to Andy Rogers and his Karaoke machine. Thank you to everyone for joining the fun.

Baby Benefit

The Women's Club Baby Benefit on March 9th yielded a full SUV full of diapers, wipes, hand made afghans and hats, lotions and many other items for families in need. Lunch was provided for those who brought a gift. It was really lovely. Thank you all for attending. The items were delivered to a Babycycle drop-off site for distribution. For more information check out babycyclefl.org.





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- **April 20th:** The Women's Club Luncheon will take place this time at the Tarpon Turtle at 1pm. See you all there.
- **May 5th:** Cinco de Mayo party/potluck. We will provide walk-away tacos, and soft drinks and water. Turn up your Mexican cooking skills and bring a favorite dish to share.
- **May 30th:** BBQ and potluck. Details to follow.

Messages by Kathy Granato,
Service department: Chris Pecora Welcome Chris





ACROSS

- 1. Delicacy
- 6. Algonquian Indian
- 10. To tax or access
- 14. Equestrian
- 15. Harvest
- 16. Pledge
- 17. A drama set to music
- 18. If not
- 19. Largest continent
- 20. Denote
- 22. Eccentric person
- 23. Condition
- 24. Weakling
- 25. Vipers
- 29. Continuing forever
- 31. Not success
- 33. Famous
- 37. Paroxysms of chest pain
- 38. Shooting star
- 39. Break
- 41. He fights blazes

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DOWN

- 42. Type of hat
- 44. Lady
- 45. Humorous
- 48. Under a spell
- 50. Fragrance
- 51. State of being a dad
- 56. Not yours
- 57. Savvy about
- 58. A tea-like beverage
- 59. ___ fide
- 60. Somersault
- 61. Cambered
- 62. Flower stalk
- 63. Away from the wind
- 64. Low heavy horse carts
- 1. Stepped
- 2. Fully developed
- 3. Biblical garden
- 4. Relating to aircraft
- 5. Trolleys
- 6. Anagram of "Reenact"
- 7. Empathize
- 8. Not western
- 9. Type of sword
- 10. Changed into a solid mass
- 11. Relieves
- 12. Pigpens
- 13. Trembling
- 21. Go over again
- 24. H2O
- 25. At a distance
- 26. Rational
- 27. Swine
- 28. Backwash
- 30. Candidate
- 32. Accord
- 34. Chancel
- 35. Rich soil
- 36. Sea eagle
- 40. C2H5OH
- 41. A small dugout
- 43. Homestead
- 45. Uteri
- 46. Fool
- 47. 1000 kilograms
- 49. Wood nymph
- 51. Ancient marketplaces
- 52. German for "Mister"
- 53. Killer whale
- 54. Comply with
- 55. Fathers



April Crossword

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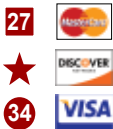
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Mathematics and Statistical Awareness Month. Both mathematics and statistics play a significant role in addressing many real-world problems—internet security, stainability, disease, climate change, and much more. Research in these areas reveals new results and applications every day in fields such as medicine, manufacturing, energy, and business.

National Arab American Heritage Month. Arab Americans celebrate their heritage in hopes that all Americans will appreciate their contributions to the U.S. The month of April is a special opportunity to enhance understanding of the nuanced and diverse aspects of Arab American heritage.

National Garden Month. Take some time this month to engage your family, friends, and neighbors in gardening. Get outside and garden with your family. Make a window box salad garden, find new ways to be green, garden in the city or the country, and much more.

Weekly

National Library Week, April 3–9. A time to celebrate our nation’s libraries and library workers, and promote library use and support. National Library Week is sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and observed in libraries across the country. All types of libraries—school, public, academic, and special—participate.

National Dog Bite Prevention Week, April 10–16. With an estimated population of nearly 85 million dogs living in U.S. households, millions of people—most of them children—are bitten by dogs every year. The majority of these bites, if not all, are preventable.



National Park Week, April 16–24. Parks across the country host a variety of special programs, events, and digital experiences. Entrance fees are waived on April 16 to kick off National Park Week and encourage everyone to enjoy their national parks.

National Youth Violence Prevention Week, April 25–29. Founded in 2001, National Youth Violence Prevention Week is a time for youth to lead communities on effective strategies to prevent youth violence.

April Days



April Fool's Day, April 1. Play a (harmless) prank on someone you love today.

National Beer Day, April 7. Celebrating the day in 1933 when the sale of beer became legal. Upon signing the legislation, President Franklin D. Roosevelt remarked, "I think this would be a good time for a beer."

Easter, April 17. A Christian celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Earth Day, April 22. The 2022 theme, "Invest in Our Planet," centers on finding solutions to climate change and encouraging governments, citizens, and businesses to do their part.

Talk Like Shakespeare Day, April 23. Try talking like the Bard for a day. One tip: When in doubt, add "eth" to the end of verbs: he runneth, he trippeth, he falleth.

Love on the rocks

Are love and marriage dying? CNN reports that Americans these days don't seem to be forming relationships, moving in together, and even having as much sex as they once did.



The 2021 General Social Survey found that 26% of Americans 18 and up didn't have sex at all in the past year. That's up from 23% in 2016 and also 2018, so it's not just fear of the pandemic preventing hookups. Only slightly more than 50% reported having sex once a month or less, the first time that figured exceeded 50%.

Americans aren't shacking up as much either. The GSS found that about 62% of Americans 25–54 were living together, married or unmarried, in 2019, far below the 70% who lived together in 1990, which serves as a baseline. Ten percent more men, and seven percent more women, were living alone than in 1990.

Even without living together, partnerships aren't as popular in recent years. The GSS found that 30% of adults 25–54 had a steady partner, down from 20% in 1986.

One bright spot: The divorce rate seems to be dropping. Divorces and annulments dropped, with 2.7 per 1,000 people in 2019, down from four per 1,000 in 2000.

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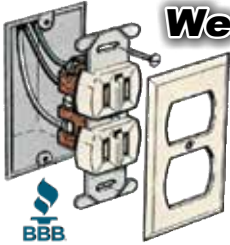
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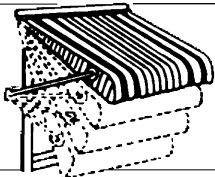


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Bartender: “That’s nine dollars.”
Customer: “Here you go. So what’s the Wi-Fi password?”
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Memory



Apriest bought a lawn mower at a yard sale. Back home, he pulled on the starter rope a few times with no results. He stormed back to the yard sale and told the previous owner, “I can’t get that mower to start!”
“That’s because you have to curse to get it started,” said the man.
“I’m a man of the cloth! I don’t even remember how to curse.”
“You keep pulling on that rope, and it’ll come back to you.”

Laughter is the key to youth.
— **Karen Madewell**

Laughter is the greatest weapon we have and we, as humans, use it the least.
— **Mark Twain**

Keep your body healthy in your golden years

Staying healthy and fit as you age can be a challenge, especially these days. The persistence of the pandemic has put a new focus on taking care of yourself physically and mentally as time goes on. Forbes offers this advice on aging well for people growing older:



- **Take care of your brain.** Challenge your brain by learning a new language or musical instrument, or taking up a new hobby. Practice mindfulness and meditation for 15 minutes a day. Work on word puzzles and other mental exercises.
- **Check your hearing.** Hearing loss is associated with dementia, loss of balance, anxiety, social isolation, and diminished self-esteem. Stay away from noisy environments. Get your hearing checked and do what's necessary to get your ears the assistance needed.
- **Reward yourself.** Don't think in terms of cutting things out of your life. Instead, reward yourself for positive activities and experiences like taking a walk or exercising. Getting up and moving around is good for you, especially as you get older, so save the other activities you enjoy like watching TV until you're finished doing what's good for you.
- **Engage with virtual health.** These days you don't have to go to a doctor's office for a checkup. Although some functions have to take place in person, many visits can be replaced by Zoom or some other online option. Remote monitoring can keep track of your blood pressure, glucose levels and the like as well. Ask about what's available to streamline your life and make taking care of your health easier.
- **Focus on key fitness areas.** Everyone's body deteriorates somewhat as we age, but you don't have to give up. Pay attention to strength training, flexibility, and balance. Strength training keeps your muscles in shape; tai chi, yoga, and walking can improve balance; and stretching helps you stay flexible. All of these help you stay safe from falling and serious injury.

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The woman said, “Thank you. That’s wonderful. I was so worried. Thank you for the good news.”

The operator replied, “You’re more than welcome. Is Norma your daughter?”

The woman said, “No, I’m Norma Findlay in room 302. No one tells me anything.”



The wrong word

A young man was sitting in a dentist’s waiting room after getting a tooth pulled. The receptionist asked him if he was OK.

“Yes,” he said, “but I didn’t like the bad word the dentist used while he was pulling my tooth.”

“What did he say?” asked the receptionist, worried.

““Oops.””



The working life

- Here’s some advice: At a job interview, tell them you’re willing to give 110%. Unless you’re applying for a job as a statistician.
- My boss asked me, “Who is the stupid one here, you or me?” I told him, “Everyone knows you don’t hire stupid people.”
- A man got fired from his job at the unemployment office on Friday. His boss said, “Clean out your desk, and I’ll see you in the office on Monday.”
- I went for an interview for an office job. The interviewer told me I’d start at \$2,000 a month and then after six months I’d be at \$2,500 a month. I told him I’d start in six months.
- When I got to work one morning, my boss stormed up to me and said, “You missed work yesterday, didn’t you?” I said, “No, not particularly.”





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The biggest April Fool's Day jokes



April Fool's Day pranks have been around since long before the Internet. Take a look at some of these epic pranks over the years from the History website:

- **The bottle show.** In 1749, the Duke of Portland bet the Earl of Chesterfield that he could advertise something outrageous in the London newspapers and still draw a crowd to see it. He put out a notice that a man would squeeze himself into a wine bottle and then sing while inside it. On the appointed night the theater's seats were filled, but of course no one showed up to perform the act—leading to a riot from the audience.
- **The gold heist.** On April 1, 1905, a German newspaper reported that thieves had tunneled beneath the U.S. Treasury in Washington, D.C. and made off with the nation's supply of silver and gold, worth some \$268 million. The story spread rapidly through the European press before anybody realized that it was a joke, written by a New York correspondent to the paper under a pseudonym.
- **The spaghetti harvest.** On April 1, 1957, the BBC reported that the Swiss region of Ticino, near the Italian border, had harvested an “exceptionally heavy spaghetti crop” that year, and broadcast footage of farmers picking fresh spaghetti off trees and bushes, followed by a dinner of “real, home-grown spaghetti.” Many viewers immediately got the joke, but others called the BBC to find out how they could grow their own spaghetti at home.

A better person

A young student once approached the famous philosopher Blaise Pascal and said, “If I had your brain, I would be a better person.” Pascal thought for a moment and replied, “Be a better person, and you will have my brains.”



Our spring has come at last with the soft laughter of April suns and shadow of April showers.

— **Byron Caldwell Smith**

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