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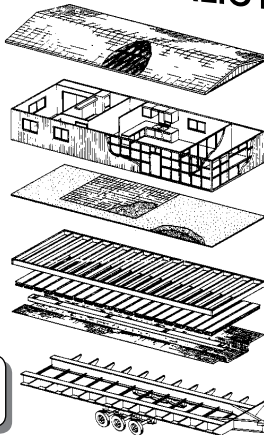
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- June 11th pancakes in main hall at 9am
- June 13th Learn Bunco 6pm
- June 17th Fireside Social 7pm
- June 18th Bingo 4pm
- June 25th Movie Night 7pm \$2 Donation Suggested
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**Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month.** Celebrations include parades, picnics, parties, workshops, symposia, and concerts. The purpose of the commemorative month is to recognize the impact that lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals have had on history locally, nationally, and internationally.

**National Oceans Month.** The ocean is home to fish, turtles, colorful coral reefs, and other unique organisms. National Oceans Month recognizes our connection to the ocean and seeks to raise awareness about the dangers it faces—pollution, overfishing, and more. These days it's more imperative than ever to take action to treat ocean resources with respect.

**National Rose Month.** Roses come in more than 300 species, and in different sizes and colors across the globe. They have long held a special place in people's hearts, used to show love and affection for weddings, childbirth, and other special occasions. The rose is also a state flower of five U.S. states.

## Week

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**National Headache Awareness Week, June 5–11.** What causes headaches? Stress, diet, or a life-threatening ailment? These questions can be answered only with extensive research. National Headache Awareness Week seeks to provide help to thousands of headache sufferers across the U.S.

**National Nursing Assistants Week, June 16–23.** National Nursing Assistants' Week provides a timely opportunity to showcase the wonderful hands-on care that nursing assistants provide to patients across the country.

**Lightning Safety Week, June 19–25.** The National Lightning Safety Council established National Lightning Safety Awareness Week to provide the public with safety information about lightning. Visit NOAA's comprehensive lightning safety website to learn more about lightning and lightning safety.

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**National Cancer Survivors Day, June 5.** Whether you're a cancer survivor yourself, a family member, a friend, or a medical professional, this day provides an opportunity for everyone living with a history of cancer to connect, celebrate milestones, and recognize those who have supported them.

**Flag Day, June 14.** A day commemorating the adoption of the flag of the United States in 1777.

**Father's Day, June 19.** This day honors all fathers, grandfathers, and father figures for their contribution to their children's lives.

**Summer Solstice, June 21.** The solstice marks the official beginning of summer in the Northern Hemisphere.

## First day of summer—are you ready to celebrate?

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**S**ummer begins in 2022 on June 21 with the summer solstice, the day when the Earth's axis tilts our northern hemisphere most prominently toward the sun. On this day, the sun will reach its highest point in the sky, and afterward the daylight hours will grow shorter.

The solstice has been a time of celebration and ritual in cultures around the world throughout history. At Stonehenge, a visitor standing in the center of the stone circle can see the sun rising directly over the Heel Stone, located just outside the ring of stones. The Egyptian Great Pyramids were built in such a way that an observer standing near the Sphinx can watch the sun set directly between two of the Pyramids.

Celts and Slavs celebrated the event with bonfires and dancing to help the sun increase its strength. The Native American Hopi tribe had males dress as dancing spirits of rain and fertility known as Kachinas—messengers between humanity and the gods who left the villages at midsummer to live in the mountains, where they were said to visit the dead.

The ancient Druids' belief that the solstice represented the wedding of heaven and Earth is responsible for the tradition of brides planning a lucky June wedding.







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- I just got my doctor's test results and I'm really upset. Turns out I'm not going to be a doctor.
- As I get older, I remember all the people I lost along the way. Maybe my career as a tour guide was not the right choice.
- I visited my friend in his new apartment. He told me to make myself at home, so I threw him out. I hate having visitors.
- My parents raised me as an only child, which really annoyed my sister.
- I threw a boomerang a few years ago. I now live in constant fear.
- I'll never forget my grandfather's last words to me just before he died: "Are you still holding the ladder?"
- My relatives liked to tease me at weddings, saying things like, "You'll be next!" They stopped once I started saying the same to them at funerals.
- I childproofed my house. Somehow they still got in.



## Beware the anti-riddle

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**S**ome jokes can be funny precisely because they're not jokes. It's a paradox, but these riddles prove it:

- What do you call a joke that isn't funny? A sentence.
- What did one Frenchman say to the other Frenchman? I don't know, I don't speak French.
- I told my friend she was drawing her eyebrows too high. She looked surprised.
- How is a laser beam like a goldfish? Neither one can whistle.
- What did the man say when he lost his truck? "Where's my truck?"
- What's the one thing in life you can always count on? A calculator.
- What did one ant say to the other ant? Nothing, ants can't speak.
- Do you know what always makes me smile? Face muscles.
- How tall is the Empire State Building? One Empire State Building tall.
- Do you know what's odd? Every other number.



*A smile starts on the lips, a grin spreads to the eyes, a chuckle comes from the belly; but a good laugh bursts forth from the soul, overflows, and bubbles all around.*

— **Carolyn Birmingham**

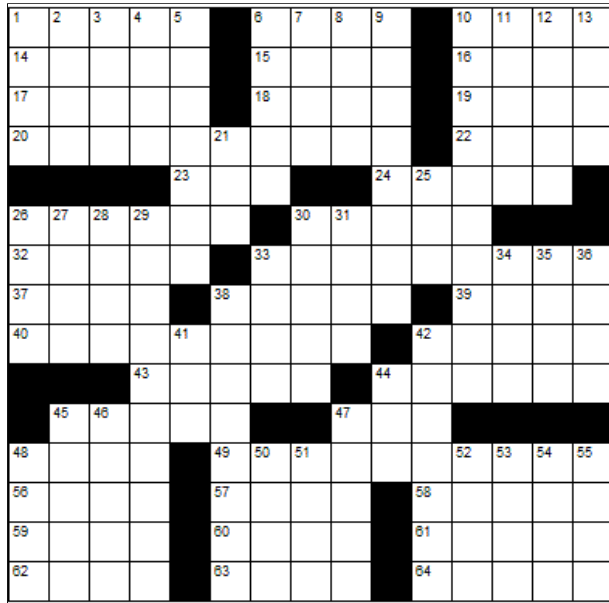
*At the height of laughter, the universe is flung into a kaleidoscope of new possibilities.*

— **Jean Houston**



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- 10. Frog
- 14. Music genre
- 15. Verruca
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- 17. Dominates
- 18. Notion
- 19. Auspices
- 20. A vague idea
- 22. Story
- 23. Mesh
- 24. Pilotless plane
- 26. Pick
- 30. Thin mortar
- 32. American symbol
- 33. Psychologically painful
- 37. Threshold
- 38. Monk's monotone
- 39. Slang term meaning insane
- 40. Doing detective work
- 42. Snake poison
- 43. Damp
- 44. Calm
- 45. Gyrate
- 47. Fate
- 48. Diving bird
- 49. Willful
- 56. Dogfish
- 57. Colored part of the eye
- 58. Angered
- 59. Sleeveless garment
- 60. Break in two
- 61. Beside
- 62. Initial wager
- 63. Not his
- 64. Destitute



**DOWN**

- 1. Dugout shelter
- 2. A dark bluish-red color
- 3. Any soft or soggy mass
- 4. Lascivious look
- 5. Gist
- 6. Distort
- 7. Dry riverbed
- 8. Black-and-white cookie
- 9. Be conspicuous
- 10. Abstainer from alcohol
- 11. Musical instrument
- 12. Nimble
- 13. Amount of medication
- 21. Observe
- 25. A strong drink
- 26. British tax
- 27. Salute
- 28. Look at flirtatiously
- 29. Bring light to
- 30. Allow
- 31. Sounded a bell
- 33. Not that
- 34. Pitch
- 35. Computer symbol
- 36. Draw near
- 38. Infantile
- 41. Craggy peak
- 42. Experienced
- 44. Cry loudly
- 45. Adult females
- 46. Raise
- 47. Speech defects
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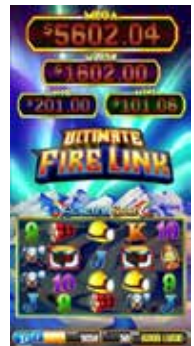
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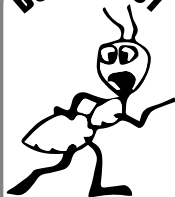


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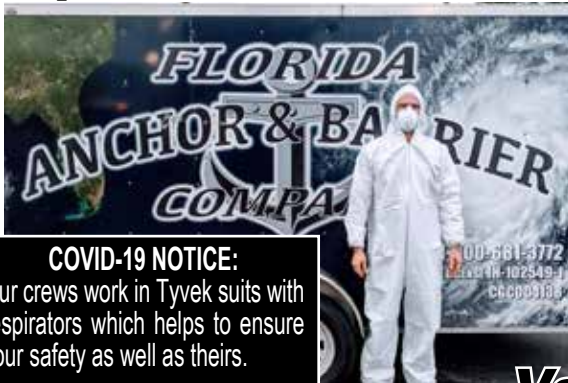


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"What did you do that for?" the bartender asks.

"Well," the man said, "the first martini always tastes like crud, and the last one always makes me sick."

A neutron walks into a bar and orders a drink. When he's finished, he asks, "How much do I owe you?"

The bartender replies, "For a neutron? No charge."

A gorilla walks into a bar and says, "A scotch on the rocks, please," and hands the bartender a \$10 bill.

The bartender thinks to himself, "This gorilla doesn't know the price of drinks," and gives him 15 cents change.

Then the bartender says, "You know, we don't get too many gorillas in here."

The gorilla replies, "Well, at \$9.85 a drink, I'm not surprised."



## Three wishes

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Three friends were stranded on a deserted island. They found a magic lamp, and inside it was a genie who agreed to grant each friend one wish.

"I want to go home," said the first friend.

"Done," said the genie, and the woman vanished.

"I want to go home, too," said the second friend.

"Done," said the genie, and the man disappeared.

The genie looked at the third friend. "What is your wish?"

"I'm lonely," said the third friend. "I wish my friends were back here."



*Family and friends are hidden treasures; seek them and enjoy their riches.*  
— **Wanda Hope Carter**

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**W**e all want to be secure in our homes, but burglars are out there, looking for vulnerable houses to rob. Keep your home safe with this advice from the CNET website:

- **Keep doors and windows locked.** This is the simplest step to take for security, but it's easy to overlook. Don't make things easy for burglars by leaving any access point unlocked, even when you're home. Doublecheck before you leave or go to bed to make sure everything's locked up tight.
- **Strengthen your entrances.** Every door leading outside should have a deadbolt to make breaking in more difficult. Make sure your door frames and hinges are secure as well. Replace them if they've gotten old. Look into smart locks that you can engage remotely.
- **Get a home security system.** Security cameras will scare any would-be burglar off. They can alert you to movement outside even if you're not at home, and notify the police automatically. Motion sensors on your doors and windows can also add extra security.
- **Keep valuables hidden.** Don't leave jewelry, electronics, cash or credit cards, or anything else of value where they can be seen through a window. Keep curtains and blinds closed so your interior isn't visible to anyone outside. Close your garage doors so passersby can't spot bikes or expensive tools.
- **Light up your yard.** Install outdoor lighting so no one can get close to your house without being seen. Motion sensor lights will illuminate the outdoors whenever they detect movement, and if you have security cameras, you'll get a good look at anyone trying to break into your house.
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- **Don't let your house look empty.** Burglars target houses where no one is home. Remember to stop your newspaper and mail delivery when you go on vacation. Leave a few lights on inside when you go out at night. Install a system for turning lights on and off when you're away to give the illusion that someone is inside.

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## Do you know these words?

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**H**ow many of these names for common things do you recognize?

- **Aglet:** The plastic or metal coating at the end of your shoelaces.
- **Agraffe:** The wire holding a cork over a wine bottle.
- **Armscye:** The arm in clothes where the sleeve is sewn.
- **Columella nasi:** The space between your nostrils.
- **Dysania:** Difficulty getting out of bed in the morning.
- **Glabella:** The space between your eyebrows.
- **Griffonage:** Illegible handwriting.
- **Petrichor:** The smell of the air after a rain.
- **Vocables:** Words in songs that don't have any meaning, like "la, la, la."



## Famous fathers and their offspring

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**F**ather's Day celebrates the special bond between fathers and their families. Every dad is a celebrity in his child's eyes, of course, but in some families fame and fatherhood go hand in hand. Take a look at some of these well-known fathers and their successful children from the world of movies, music, and sports:

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- Frank Sinatra and Nancy Sinatra (music)
- Ken Griffey and Ken Griffey Jr. (baseball)
- Henry Fonda, Peter Fonda, and Jane Fonda (acting)



## Flag Day trivia

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**F**lag Day is June 14th, when Americans proudly display their patriotism by flying the U.S. flag far and wide. The design of the U.S. flag was originally established by the Second Continental Congress on July 14, 1777. The Flag Resolution stated:

“Resolved, that the flag of the United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation.”







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## New mineral discovered in diamond

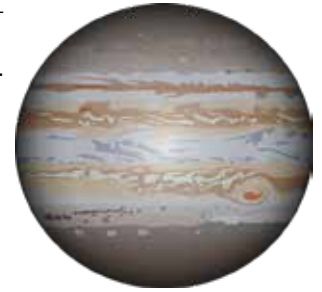


Scientists have discovered a mineral never before seen in nature—in the heart of a diamond. Scientific American reports that the mineral, a form of calcium silicate perovskite, has been created artificially in laboratories under high-pressure conditions, but it reverts to a different form under normal pressure. However, scientists found three small chunks of the material when examining a diamond from Botswana. Because it has a different crystalline structure, they gave it a new name, davemaosite (after one of the researchers, geologist Ho-Kwang “Dave” Mao).

The diamond was formed deep in the mantle of the Earth, some 410–560 miles down. The davemaosite was found to have high levels of potassium, which may have helped keep it stable; it also contains small amounts of uranium and thorium, which are radioactive and contribute to the heat the Earth generates beneath its surface. Geologists speculate that davemaosite may make up to 5–7% of the material in the Earth’s mantle, providing new clues to the structure of our planet.

## Greenland holds clue to ridges on Jupiter’s moon

Jupiter’s moon Europa is covered by ridges that appear in pairs stretching for hundreds of miles over channels of ice, and until recently scientists were puzzled about how they were created. Now, according to the Science News website, they believe the ridges arose from a process resembling the formation of similar ridges found in Greenland on Earth.



A NASA satellite in 2016 showed the existence of an 800-meter-long double ridge system in Greenland. Astronomers analyzed the Greenland ridges, which are much smaller than those on Europa due to Earth’s higher gravity. Radar shows that the Greenland ridges lie on top of a layer of water-filled snow about 10–15 meters deep; meltwater from the surface sinks into the buried snow beneath the ridges of ice.

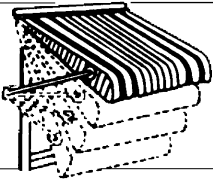
Scientists theorize that the ridges on Europa have a similar origin, although the lack of meltwater or precipitation on the moon’s surface means that the shallow water probably comes from an ocean under the shell of ice that makes up Europa’s surface. When water rises through cracks, it collects in thick layers of ice from which the ridges grow.

A NASA probe scheduled to launch in 2024 and arrive at Europa in 2030 will provide more data to confirm the theory.

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A man was visiting the zoo one day. As he was passing the elephant enclosure, he suddenly stopped. The majestic creatures were restrained by only a small rope tied to their front leg—no chains, no cages. It was obvious that the elephants could, at any time, break free, but for some reason, they did not.

He saw a trainer standing nearby and asked why the elephants made no attempt to get away.

“Well,” trainer said, “when they are very young and much smaller, we use the same size rope to tie them. At that age, it’s enough to hold them. As they grow up, they continue to believe they cannot break away. They think the rope can still hold them, so they never try to break free.”

The visitor was amazed. These enormous beasts could break free from their bonds whenever they wanted, but because they thought they couldn’t, they were stuck right where they were.

Like the elephants, how many of us go through life hanging onto a belief that restrains us, simply because it held us back once before?



## First things first

A team of high-powered executives hired a consultant to help them develop a better work-life balance. In the conference room, the consultant set a one-gallon glass jar on the table and filled it with large stones. He asked the team if the jar was full. The executives agreed that the jar was pretty full.

Then he pulled out a bag of smaller pebbles and poured them into the jar. The smaller pebbles fell into the spaces between the large stones. Again he asked, “So, is the jar full?”

The team was more hesitant, but they eventually answered that yes, the jar seemed full now.

Then the consultant pulled out a bag of sand and poured it into the jar. “Now is the jar full?”

A smart woman in the front row raised her hand and said, “No, you can still pour water into the jar.”

So the consultant did, filling it to the top.

The woman in the front row said, “I get it. The point is that no matter how busy our schedule is, you can always cram something else in, right?”

The consultant smiled. “Not exactly. My point is that you should put the big items into the jar first. If you don’t focus on the big things, like spending time with your family and having a spiritual life, the little things will always seep in and take up all the space.”





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