



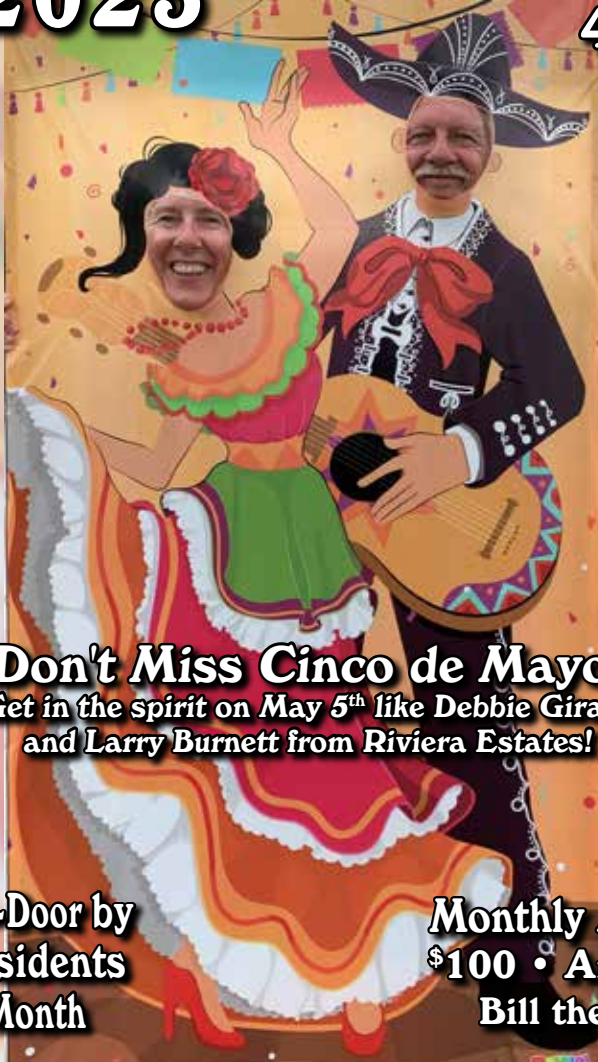
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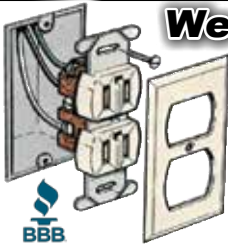
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ARTICLE II - SECTION 6 Terms of Office. The terms of office for Directors shall be two (2) years. The terms of office shall be staggeed so the entire Board is not up for re-election at the same time.

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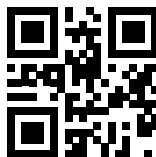


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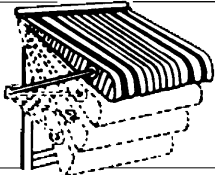
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March 17th St. Patrick's day was celebrated in the club house. What an absolute fun time! Karaoke led by Robert Strang and his very able assistant Dick Shuneman. So many people singing so many different songs. Many also danced to the offerings.

April began with a coffee and social club meeting. After the meeting decorations for Easter were put up. Decorating is always a fun time with lots of help and plenty of room for everyone to have some say in what goes where. Join us May 6th for the last coffee of the season, social club meeting and then decorating for the summer months.

On Saturday April 8th we held the first in a long time, bake sale. This was a successful event. There was lots of variety to please any taste. Some of the offerings included chocolate cake, key lime poke cake, various cupcakes and brownies, banana and pumpkin bread, canolli, angel food cake and so much more. Twelve different bakers showed off their talents to all the buyers. Thanks to all who helped with this event.

Sunday April 9th and Easter Dinner began with a social hour and appetizers of mushrooms, shrimp, filled dates, spinach squares, and cheese and crackers. Midway through the social hour we played a little game, pull a string and the plate attached held an egg with a prize concealed inside. Mary Ellen hosted the game play and everyone was a winner.

Dinner started at 5pm with a blessing by Diane H. The entree was ham, roasted chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, rice and beans. Each table was responsible for their place settings, and side dishes and drinks. Unsold items from the bake sale provided desserts for all the tables and those cakes and brownies were delicious.

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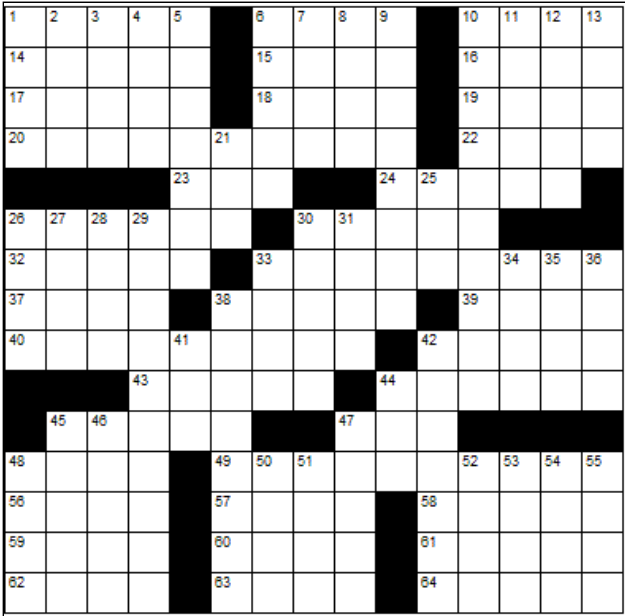
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**ACROSS**

- 1. Outward
- 6. Stinging insects
- 10. Cubes
- 14. Saltwater
- 15. Wash
- 16. Frosts, as a cake
- 17. Lightning units
- 18. You bake with it
- 19. Flippers
- 20. They taste like sugar
- 22. Celebration
- 23. Scarlet
- 24. Utilizers
- 26. Gasoline
- 30. Beau
- 32. Impressive display
- 33. Revolutionary War figures
- 37. Legal claim
- 38. Bodily cavity
- 39. Adopted son of Claudius
- 40. Young trees



**DOWN**

- 1. Declines
- 2. Type of black bird
- 3. Floor covering
- 4. Initial wager
- 5. Demolish
- 6. Light-colored hair
- 7. Roof overhang
- 8. Always
- 9. Erotic
- 10. Divergence
- 11. More aloof
- 12. Pennies
- 13. Being
- 21. Snake-like fish
- 25. Band performance
- 26. Friends
- 27. A Great Lake
- 28. Tall woody plant
- 29. Arranged in random order
- 30. Birds have them
- 31. Duty
- 33. Not yours
- 34. Of higher order
- 35. Ages
- 36. Connecting point
- 38. Effeminate
- 41. Chemist's workpl
- 42. Commanded
- 44. Image format
- 45. Christian holy boc
- 46. An aromatic flavo
- 47. Pauses
- 48. Closed hand
- 50. Black-and-white
- 51. Sovereign
- 52. Old stories
- 53. Wait in the shadow
- 54. Curved molding
- 55. Marries



May  
Crossword



## Monthly



**Clean Air Month.** May 1–31. The American Lung Association releases its annual air quality report, and local lung associations focus on clean-air programs, issues and events. For more information, browse <https://www.lung.org/clean-air>.

**Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month.** May 1–31. For more information, contact the American Academy of Dermatology or browse [www.aad.org](http://www.aad.org)

**National Arthritis Month.** May 1–31. To increase awareness about the more than 100 forms of arthritis and related diseases and to increase support for the more than 70 million Americans with arthritis. For more information, browse [www.arthritis.org](http://www.arthritis.org)

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## Daily

**May Day.** **May 1.** The first day of May has been celebrated since ancient times. Spring festivals with maypoles are still common. In many countries, May Day is celebrated as a workers' holiday or as Labor Day. (The United States and Canada observe Labor Day in September.)

**Cinco de Mayo.** **May 5.** Mexican National Holiday recognizing the anniversary of the Battle of Puebla in 1862, in which Mexican troops, who were outnumbered three-to-one, defeated the invading French forces of Napoleon III.



**The Kentucky Derby.** **May 7.** America's premier thoroughbred horse race at Churchill Downs, in Louisville, Ky. For more information, browse [www.kentuckyderby.com](http://www.kentuckyderby.com).

**Mother's Day.** **May 6.** To celebrate mothers. First observed in 1907 as a church service in the memory of Anna Jarvis' mother (Philadelphia). It was designated to be recognized as an observance by Congress in 1914 and is always the second Sunday in May.



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**National Missing Children's Day.** **May 25.** To promote awareness of the problem of missing children, to offer a forum for change and to offer safety information for children in school and the community. For more information, browse [www.childfindofamerica.org](http://www.childfindofamerica.org).

**National Senior Health and Fitness Day.** **May 31.** To promote the value of fitness and exercise for older adults. For more information, browse [www.fitnessday.com](http://www.fitnessday.com).

**Memorial Day.** **May 29.** To honor those who have died in battle. The first documented U.S. observance was on May 5, 1866, in Waterloo, N.Y.

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— adapted from *Heart at Work*, by Jack Canfield and Jacqueline Miller

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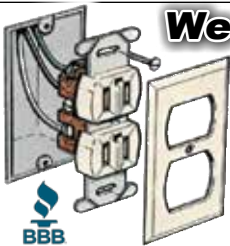
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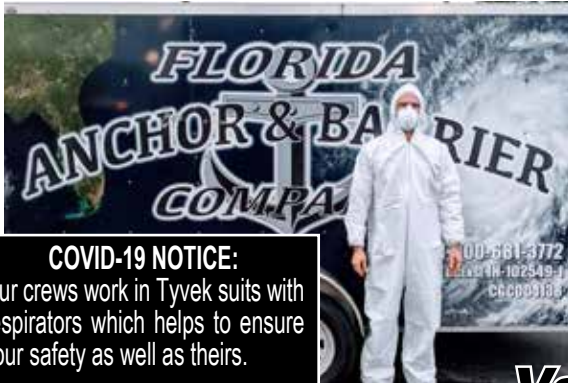
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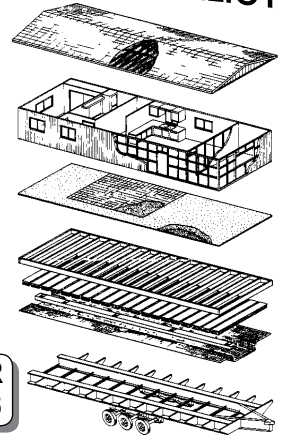
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4. Hey, you must've been doin' about 125 mph to keep up with me.  
Good job!
5. Are you Andy or Barney?
6. I thought you had to be in relatively good physical condition to be a police officer.
7. You're not gonna check the trunk are you?
8. I pay your salary!
9. Gee, officer! That's terrific. The last officer only gave me a warning too!
10. Do you know why you pulled me over? OK, just so one of us does.
11. I was trying to keep up with traffic. Yes, I know there are no other cars around. That's how far ahead of me they are.
12. When the officer says "Gee, son...your eyes look red, have you been drinking?" You probably shouldn't respond with, "Gee officer your eyes looked glazed, have you been eating doughnuts?" —from *cybersalt.org*



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—from *IdeaBank.com*



### *On life*

*Someone told me life is a water wheel. It turns. The trick is to hold your nose when you're under and not get dizzy when you're up.*

— *James Baldwin*



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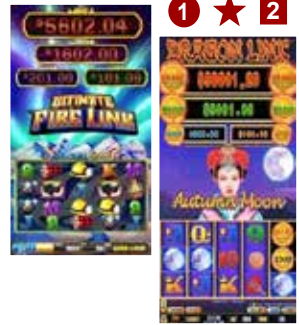
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It is annoying when someone interrupts you while you're talking. Here are a few strategies for handling interrupters:

- Just hold up your index finger. You might be surprised at how effective this is. Merely say, "Wait a minute, I'm not done with what I'm saying..."
- Keep talking and interject, "What I was trying to say was..."
- The next time someone interrupts you, use it as an opportunity to do something rather than just get upset.
- Pause, then say, "I wasn't finished; hear me out." Or pause, then tell the person how it makes you feel when you are cut off—without attacking the person. Here are a few lines that might help:
  - "Please let me finish..."
  - "It's really hard for me to listen to you right now because you did not let me finish what I was saying."
  - "When I'm talking to you and you interrupt me with something that has nothing to do with what I'm talking about, it makes me feel like you're not interested in what I'm saying."

—adapted from *The Lost Art of Listening*, by Michael P. Nichols

## How to win someone over

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If you want to win people over to your way of thinking, here are some guiding principles to help you:

- If you want to get the best out of an argument—avoid it.
- Always show respect for another person's opinions.
- When you're wrong—admit it.
- Be friendly.
- Find a way to get the person to agree with you on something right away — even if it's just a small point.
- Let the other person talk— a lot.
- Allow the other person to think the idea is hers.
- Try to see from the other person's perspective.
- Be truly sympathetic to what the other person is saying.
- Try to appeal to noble notions in the other person.

— adapted from *How to Win Friends and Influence People*, by Dale Carnegie

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## How to keep an argument from escalating



Here are some suggestions on how to keep a disagreement from blowing up into an argument:

- Welcome the disagreement. Try to think of it this way—perhaps the argument will give you the chance to correct something before you make a big mistake.
- Distrust your first instinct to be defensive. Be careful. Slow down and stay calm. Sometimes our first reaction to something is our worst reaction.
- Rein in your temper. Hang on and don't get angry too fast. If you do, it will likely make you look bad.
- First and foremost—listen. Give the other person a chance to speak her mind. Try to build bridges and dismantle any barriers your mind tries to create.
- Look for agreement. After the other person has had his say, first look for areas that you agree on and say them out loud.
- Be honest. Look at what the other person is saying and if she's right, tell her. This will likely have a disarming and calming effect on the conversation.
- Promise to think over what the other person has said, even if you don't like it. And then make good on your promise.
- Thank the other person for his or her interest. Try to think of the other person as someone who really wants to help you. After all, you are interested in the same things.
- Don't take action until you have had time to think things over. Suggest a meeting for later, and then prepare for that meeting by asking yourself lots of hard questions. Could the other person be right? Could I be wrong? Partially wrong?

— *adapted from Bits & Pieces*

### ***On middle age***

*Middle age is when your age starts  
to show around your middle.*

— **Bob Hope**

*Middle age is when the best exercise is one of discretion.*

— **Laurence J. Peter**

*Middle age is when anything new in  
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## An alphabet for mom...



**A** is for **ADULT**: A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.

**B** is for **BATHROOM**: A room used by the entire family, believed by all except mom to be self-cleaning.

**C** is for **COMMITTEE**: As in decision by committee, which is how mom says something will be decided when she has already made up her mind how things are going to be.

**D** is for **DATE**: Infrequent outings with dad where mom can enjoy worrying about the kids in a different setting.

**E** is for **EMPTY NEST**: See “WISHFUL THINKING.”

**F** is for **FABLE**: A story told by a teenager arriving home after curfew.

**G** is for **GUM**: Adhesive for the hair.

**H** is for **HINDSIGHT**: What mom experiences from changing too many diapers.

**I** is for **INFLATION**: Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

**J** is for **JUNK**: Dad’s stuff.

**K** is for **KISS**: Mom’s medicine.

**L** is for **LEMONADE STAND**: Complicated business venture where mom buys powdered mix, sugar, lemons, and paper cups, and sets up a table, chairs, pitchers and ice for kids who sit there for three to six minutes and net a profit of 15 cents.

**M** is for **MAYBE**: No.

**N** is for **NONSENSE**: What mom says your friends are full of.

**O** is for **OVERSTUFFED RECLINER**: Mom’s nickname for dad.

**P** is for **PANIC**: What a mother goes through when the darn wind-up swing stops.

**Q** is for **QUIET**: A state of household serenity, which occurs before the birth of the first child and occurs again after the last child has left for college.

**R** is for **REFRIGERATOR**: Combination art gallery and air-conditioner for the kitchen.

**S** is for **SPOILED ROTTEN**: What the kids become after as little as 15 minutes with grandma.

**T** is for **TOWELS**: See “FLOOR COVERINGS.”

**U** is for **UNDERWEAR**: An article of clothing, the cleanliness of which ensures the wearer will never have an accident.

**V** is for **VACATION**: Where you take the family to get away from it all, only to find it there, too.

**W** is for **WALLS**: Complete set of drawing paper for kids that comes with every room.

**X** is for **XOXOXOXOXO**: Mom salutation guaranteed to make the already embarrassing note in a kid’s lunch box even more mortifying.

**Y** is for “**YIPPEE!**”: What mothers shout the first day of school.

**Z** is for **ZUCCHINI**: Vegetable which can be baked, boiled, fried or steamed before kids refuse to eat it.

— *from quotesandjokes.com*

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## Why people are afraid of Friday the 13th

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It's estimated that about 17 million to 21 million people in the United States are afflicted with a fear of Friday the 13th. Not only that, but it's estimated that somewhere between \$800 million and \$900 million is lost on any given Friday the 13th, because people are afraid to fly and do business like they do normally, according to Donald Dossey, founder of the Stress Management Center and Phobia Institute in Asheville, N.C. People who are afraid of Friday the 13th are possibly people who consider themselves to be unlucky in the first place, and they are probably superstitious, says Richard Wiseman, a psychologist at the University of Hertfordshire in Hatfield, England. In a survey of 2,068 people, Wiseman found that one-quarter of respondents believed that the number 13 was bad luck. He also found that the people who believed in this bad luck tend to be more anxious on Friday the 13th, and so it may be their own expectations and anxiety that bring on the "bad luck."

Here are a few facts about the history of the idea that the number 13 is unlucky:

- There was a Norse myth about 12 gods in heaven having a dinner party. A 13th guest walked in, the god Loki, and shot the god of joy, Balder. When Balder died the whole world became dark.
- Judas, who betrayed Jesus, was the 13th guest at The Last Supper.
- Witches in ancient Rome supposedly gathered in groups of 12. The 13th attendee was the devil.
- More than 80 percent of high rises lack a 13th floor.
- Most airports skip a 13th gate.
- Hotels and hospitals often do not have room number 13s.

As for the Friday part of the bad luck, it seems that this belief rose from the idea that Jesus was crucified on a Friday, that Eve tempted Adam on a Friday, and that Abel was slain by Cain on Friday.

—*adapted from National Geographic*

### ***On cholesterol***

*It is a scientific fact that your body will not absorb cholesterol if you take it from another person's plate.*

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### **On autobiographies**

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