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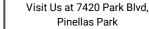


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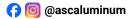
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# HAPPY 2026 DON'T FORGET TO MAKE A RESOLUTION!

#### FROM THE DESK OF THE SOCIAL CLUB PRESIDENT:

appy New Year Residents! Looking forward to Pancake Breakfast with Nick Sorokos on the Griddle. Is anyone interested in being the Chairperson for the Social Club Nominating Committee? The elections take place at the end of March. If anyone would like to join the Board let us know.

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Tuesday	Water Aerobics	8:30am
Wednesdays	Water Aerobics Social Hour Social Club Meeting Queen of Hearts	8:30am 9:00am 9:30am 10:00am
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Please plan to attend. See you there.

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- 2. What does the phrase "Hakuna matata" mean?
- 3. In what year did the Vietnam War end?
- 4. Which country gained independence on January 1, 1803?
- 5. Which dog breed was traditionally kept by monks in the Swiss Alps to find lost travelers?
- 6. What is the national animal of Scotland?

#### **HERE'S WHAT'S COOKIN:**

#### **Chicken Pot Pie Soup:**

#### **Ingredients:**

2 – 9 inch refrigerated pie crests, 1 cup grated cheddar cheese, 2 Tbsp chopped fresh parsley, 4 Tbsp salted butter, 3 stalks celery finely diced, 2 medium carrots, peeled and finely diced, 2 medium onions, finely diced, 2 tsp chopped fresh thyme, pinch of turmeric, Kosher salt and black pepper, to taste, ¼ cup flour, ½ cup white wine, 6 cups chicken broth, 3 cups shredded rotisserie chicken, ¼ cup chopped fresh parsley, ½ cup heavy cream.

#### **Directions:**

- 1. For the cheddar crust dippers: preheat the oven to 375 degrees. Line 2 sheet pans with parchment paper.
- 2. Unroll a pie crust on each prepared sheet pan. J Sprinkle the crusts with the cheese and parsley, slightly pressing everything in to adhere. Bake until the edges turn golden, the cheese is bubbling, and the crust is baked through. 12 to 14 minutes. Set aside to cool.
- 3. For the soup: Meanwhile melt the butter in a large pot over medium heat. Add celery, carrots, onion, and thyme. Season with turmeric and a good pinch of salt and pepper. Stir and cook until the vegetables begin to soften, 3 to 4 minutes. Sprinkle the flour over the vegetables, and stir until combined, letting the flour cook for 1 to 2 minutes. While stirring, slowly pour in the wine and chicken broth. Add the chicken and parsley. Let the soup come to a boil and thicken slightly. Stir in the cream and taste. Adjust seasonings as needed.
- 4. Serve the soup in bowls, breaking the crusts into large pieces to serve on the side.

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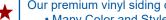
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#### **JANUARY 2026 TRIVIA ANSWERS:**

1. J.K. Rowling

3. 1975

5. St. Bernard

2. No worries

4. Haiti

6. Unicorn

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**B** ook Blitz Month. This is a time for authors of all genres to put themselves out there and promote their work. For the rest of us, it's a time to celebrate literacy, set personal goals to read more, and curl up with a good book.

**National Braille Literacy Month**. Developed in the 19th century by Louis Braille, this tactile system allows visually impaired and blind individuals a way to read, write, and learn.

**International Creativity Month**. Whether you're a homemaker, student, employee, employer, or retiree, this is the month to challenge yourself and your usual way of doing things. Try something new, explore, innovate, broaden your horizons of expression, and create something.

Hot Tea Month. Black, white, green, herbal, oolong, Darjeeling, Ceylon, chai—the list can go on for several pages. There are thousands of teas and blends to try. Find a new favorite and warm up with a cup of fragrant goodness this winter.

**Self-Love Month**. Many of us have already promised to become better at being better this year. Why not start by showing yourself some TLC? Find a way to honor, appreciate, and love yourself this January.

#### Weekly

lvis Presley Birthday Celebration Week, Jan. 7-11. If you can make it to Memphis, you can walk in the footsteps of "The King" and visit Elvis' estate, Graceland, where plenty of activities will honor the legendary singer.

Universal Letter Writing Week, Jan 11-17. Since 1971, the Universal Postal Union has held a letter writing competition for young people age 15 and under. The event is a way to promote both literacy and the development of composition skills throughout the world. The theme of this year's contest asks writers: "Imagine you are a letter travelling through time. What message do you wish to convey to your readers?"

Healthy Weight Week, Jan. 18-24. This isn't about diets or the latest weight loss trends. A healthy body image is the key to establishing realistic goals and strategies that will help you to achieve and maintain a healthy weight and body mass. Factors such as age, bone structure, height, and physical ability should also be considered when developing personal health standards. Check in with your physician before making any changes to your diet, nutrition, and activities.

National Clean Out Your Inbox Week, Jan. 21-27. This can be a challenge of epic proportions for those who don't prioritize, sort, and organize incoming emails. Use this week to unsubscribe from or change delivery preferences for electronic communications cluttering your inbox. Save only what's necessary. Delete, delete, delete.

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#### The courage to try

ife lessons can come from the most unlikely sources if we are open to receiving what they have to offer us. For Tricia Goyer, a wife, mother, and accomplished author, a lesson in bravery came from her twentysomething son Nathan.

When he announced his plans to write a book, Goyer encouraged him and even promised to edit it once the manuscript was completed. With 500 magazine articles bylines and more than 50 published books of nonfiction and fiction, Goyer knew her insight would be beneficial. She also knew that Nathan had a gift for creating and telling stories, which had been a favorite pastime since his childhood.

As Goyer edited Nathan's rough draft she realized that her son had a talent for writing and decided they should hire a professional editor to review the text. The editor also liked Nathan's work and offered the aspiring novelist some constructive feedback.

After the rewrites were finished, Goyer told her son to start weighing his options about next steps in the publishing process. He could go the traditional route and work with a publisher, or self-publish. Nathan told her he'd need time to think things over and then excused himself to run an errand. He returned a short time later and announced that he would self-publish his work as an e-book. The next day his novel Bask was for sale on Amazon.com. It has even received a few positive reviews.

For Goyer, taking those next steps in the process of publishing one of her many books has never been something she could act on with that kind of certainty or efficiency. She says she would first share copies with as many as 20 friends and consider their feedback. Next she might attend a workshop or conference to solicit even more feedback and advice before deciding which route to take.

Nathan has inspired Goyer to believe that "sometimes we just need to roll up our sleeves and do what we've been afraid to try."



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#### DOWN

- 1. Land 2. Male genitalia
- 3. Uncooked
- 4. Small island
- Not more
- 6. Arrive past due
- 7. Utilizers
- 8. Neuter 9. 2000 pounds
- 10. Kill oneself intentionally
- 13. Breathes noisily while sleeping
- 14. They come from hens
- 15. Started
- 16. Gun repairing
- 19. Dogs wag these
- 22. Anticlimax 24. Blimp
- 26. Opening

- 27. Deli loaf
- 30. King of the jungle
- 32. Anagram of "One" 33. They can be fraternal or identical
- 34. On land
- One who establishes
- 38. Building39. Mammals like camels
- 40. Apprehensive
- 42. Objects
- 44. Firéd a projectile
- 45. Holy person 48. Smile
- 49. Gorillas 50. English royal house
- 53. An uncle
- 55. Fifty-two in Roman numerals

#### **ACROSS**

- 1. Spring month
- 6. Failures
- 11. Pursue
- 12. Take up the cause
- 15. Barroom fights
- 16. Harvesting
- 17. Snake-like fish 18. Wide part of a river
- 20. Sprocket 21. Chutzpah
- 23. Picnic insects 24. Broadcasts
- 25. Chills and fever
- 26. Workshop gripper
- 27. Fair attraction
- 28. Bird home
- 29. Type of tree 30. Harps
- 31. Amounts per unit size
  - 34. Underway
- 36. One plus one
- 37. Make well
- 41. Scattered seed
- 42. Not fat 43. Inactive
- 44. Blackball
- 45. Tibia
- 46. Tube 47. Term of endearment
- 48. Deny
- 51. Distant 52. Making menu requests
- 54. A plan of action
- 56. Abounding 57. Genus of heath
- 58. Leases
- 59. Where clouds are

#### Who you want to be

farmer on his way into town pulled over to pick up a young man thumbing for a ride.

The two men began to talk, with the younger man sharing his experiences of his solo hiking and camping adventures.

"So what do you plan to do when this is over?" the farmer asked.

The young man mapped out his plans of a university education, graduate school, a job with a fancy title and a huge salary, future board positions, his own company, and more money than he could spend in three lifetimes. "You know what they say," the young man remarked. "You should dream big or not dream at all."

"It's a pretty big dream," the farmer said, "but little more than that."

The farmer continued, "It seems to me that if you wanted to accomplish any of those things you wouldn't be hitchhiking through small towns. You'd be somewhere else working and building on the knowledge and skills required to help you achieve your goals."

"Right now, I'm figuring out who I am," the young man said.

"Why don't you try figuring out who you want to be?" the farmer replied.



#### **Quotes**

Te are, as a species, addicted to story. Even when the body goes to sleep, the mind stays up all night, telling itself stories.

—John Gottschal

Words are how we think; stories are how we link.

— Christina Baldwin



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