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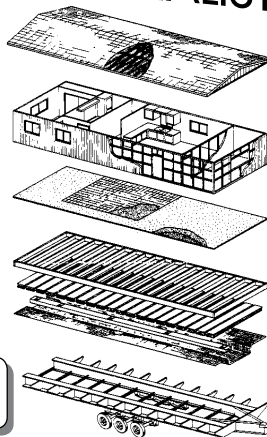
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14	Harold & Donna Cranmer	1955
	Chick & Jackie House	1962
16	Tom & Ruth Walsh	2008
19	Gary & Ricki Burk	1972
20	Wally & Donna Talley	1992
21	Randy & Donna Butts	1965
	Gerry & Rose Paquette	1965
24	James & Carol Prahst	1968
26	Paul & Patricia Burrell	1989
	Don & Joan Cyr	1972
	Roland & Anita Girouard	1967
	Gordon & Beryl Olson	1989
28	Bill & Pam Westerman	1982

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Anniversary

## August Birthdays

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1	Richard Gallant	11	Debra MacKenzie	23	Roland Girouard
	Ron Morris		Roger Noel		Anna Minichiello
	Ruth Moyer	12	Anne Martin	24	Donna Butts
2	Carla Lies	13	Don Cyr		Al Souliere
	Walter Mantz		Linda Hester		Joe Spencer
	Jim Myers		Janice Klink	25	Stephen Kyle
	Etta Netherton		Vicki Thurlow	26	Judy Bailey
5	Cindy Costello	14	Murray MacNeill		Charles Bullock
	Misty Marston		Parker Turner		Jane Fantino
	Sam McGunnigle	15	Ted Blair		Jill Lemay
	Woody Wood		Bob Hartley	27	Esther Emery
6	Paul Palmisano	16	Joseph Dawson		Donald Lamy
	Bruce Picard		Janet Hudson		Lou Morneau
	Elaine Russell	17	Helen Lenhart		Linda Raimondi
	Lisa Stoner		Richard Lies		Beverly Redman
7	Mike Deicken	18	Ken Gregory	28	Theresa Berard
	Doug Griffiths		Karin Winter		Peggy Jones
	Jacqueline House		Frank Witles	29	Chris Gregory
	Steve Riley	19	Jacqueline DeBar		Jim Martin
9	Beverly Baselj		Dan Jaros		Felix Mozo
	Ray Labbe		Roy Vieira	30	Maurice Lamontagne
	Jennifer Nesbitt	20	Kimberly Pepin	31	Ruth Ann Dixon
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## The Old Coot Can't See Clearly Now

By: Merlin Lessler

I have four pair of glasses. Can't find any of them! They're just cheap reading glasses, but when I need to see something up close, they are nowhere to be found. I didn't have this problem when I had just one pair. I always knew where they were. The problem started when I bought a second pair. I eased up on my vigilance to put them in their place when I wasn't using them. I started spending more time looking for the glasses than I did looking through them.

So, I bought two more. That's the problem with cheap glasses; they cost so little, even an old coot like me can afford to buy them by the bunch. But, now I have none. Not that I can put my hands on anyhow. They're scattered about the house, hiding from me. Either that, or some crazed lunatic keeps breaking in and shoving them down between the sofa cushions, sliding them under tables, sticking them in coat pockets and worse yet, slipping them on top of my head where I can't see them unless I happen to look up when I pass by a mirror.

I'm getting desperate! Not desperate enough to eyeglass cords or chains, the kind you see on a lot of old coots. Their glasses hang down under their chins, like cowboy guns in holsters, ready for any visual challenge that comes their way. But not me; I have my principles. I may be an old coot, but I draw the line: no eyeglass chains, no belt and suspender combinations, no Velcro shoe fasteners (not yet), no slacks with an elastic waistband and most of all, no spandex bicycle pants.

The four pair of glasses dilemma stopped me from buying an extra set of keys for my car. They would just disappear like the glasses. It happened when I bought a second tape measure. When I had one, I could always find it in my toolbox. After I got a spare, both tapes disappeared. I'll stick with a single set of car keys. If I lose them, I can do what I did with the first car I owned, a well-used, 1953 Ford convertible. I paid \$60.00. Cash! It didn't have keys. I had to hot-wire it to go anyplace and take out the back seat to open the trunk.

I should have known right then I was headed for a rocky future. But what 19 year-old looks that far ahead. We think we'll be young forever. Take warning you young people. You have a future with four pair of glasses in it. I hope you keep better track of yours than I do mine.



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## Almond Joy Cookies

These cookies are so gooey, chocolaty, and have the perfect amount of coconut crunch. The most wonderful thing about these beauties is how easy they are to make! Just add all the ingredients into one bowl, stir, and they're off to the oven! I love it when I find recipes that are easy like this and turn out so tasty!

### Ingredients:

- 1 (14 oz.) bag sweetened coconut flakes
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 2/3 cups chopped lightly salted almonds
- 1 (14 oz.) can sweetened condensed milk



### Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 375°F. Spray a 13x9" baking pan with baking spray and flour.
2. Line a large baking sheet with parchment paper and set aside.
3. In a large bowl combine coconut, chocolate chips, almonds, and sweetened condensed milk. Stir until combined.
4. Scoop out dough with a cookie scoop onto prepared baking sheet.
5. Moisten the tips of your fingers with water and shape into discs. Pat the tops flat.
6. Bake cookies for 12 to 14 minutes or until tips of coconut are just starting to turn golden brown.
7. Let cool on baking sheet.
8. Enjoy!







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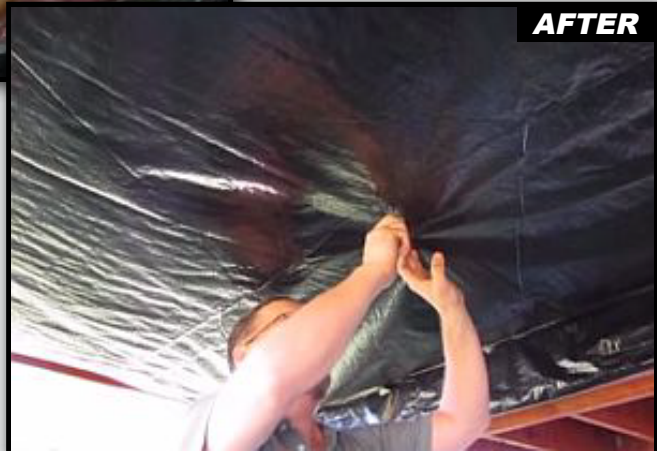
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2. Talk about a photo op - it is estimated that 4% of all amateur photographs in the U.S. were taken inside a Disney Park.
3. More than 50 million cokes are consumed each year at Disney Parks. You won't find a Pepsi.
4. Walt Disney World employed close to 60,000 cast members making it one of the largest employer in the U.S.
5. Disney's Wedding Pavilion near the Grand Floridian Resort is designed to give the Bride and Groom a great view of Cinderella Castle while saying their vows.
6. Every year over 3 million flowering plants are planted at Walt Disney World while the horticulture staff maintains over 2 million shrubs, 13,000 roses and over 200 topiaries.
7. Over 10 million hamburgers, 7 million hot dogs and 9 million pounds of french fries are consumed by hungry Disney World guests every year.
8. Walt Disney World Costume Department is home to over 1.2 million pieces of clothing making it the largest wardrobe department in the world. East Cast Member has 3 customs.
9. It takes over 150 tractor trailer loads of decorations to Deck the Halls for holiday celebrations. Wonder what Disney's electric bill is for all of this? ... It's zero, they have their own power plant.
10. Disney World Resorts offer guess over 27,000 hotel rooms and are constantly adding to the number.
11. Since 1971, the Walt Disney World monorail trains have logged enough miles to make 20 round trips to the moon.
12. The hydraulic thruster and cylinder used to bring the Yeti to life atop Expedition Everest uses more power than a 747 jet engine.





## Hey, bartender

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A duck walks into a bar and asks, “Got any grapes?”

The bartender says no, and the duck thanks him and leaves.

The next day the duck returns to the bar and asks, “Hey, got any grapes?”

The bartender says, “No. We don’t serve grapes here.”

The duck thanks him and leaves, only to return the next day. The bartender sees him walking through the door and says, “Look buddy, I’m not sure why you keep coming in here. We don’t have any grapes, never did, and never will, and if you ask me about grapes one more time, I’m going to nail your beak to the bar.”

The duck is quiet for a few moments, and then asks, “You got any nails?”

“No,” the bartender replies.

“OK,” the duck says. “Got any grapes?”



## Know the difference

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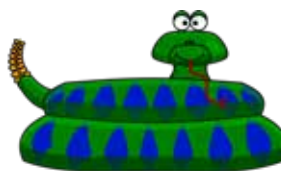
A guide took a group of people for a hike in the woods. They soon encountered a snake on their path. One of the hikers said to the guide, “Look there’s a snake. Do you think it’s poisonous?”

The guide looked over at the snake and replied, “No. That snake isn’t poisonous.”

Upon hearing this, the hiker walked closer to the snake to take a picture of it. The snake bit the hiker and slithered away. The hiker fell to the ground and began to moan in pain as the others in the group came to his aid.

“I thought you said that snake wasn’t poisonous,” someone said to the guide.

“That snake wasn’t poisonous,” the guide replied. “Poison is ingested or absorbed. That snake was venomous. Venom is injected.”



A person wearing a red cap and a plaid shirt is fishing on a boat. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow over the water. The person is holding a fishing rod that is curved, suggesting they have caught a fish. The background shows a calm body of water and distant hills under a clear sky.

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## Skepticism about electric cars

**A**re you ready for self-driving cars? How about vehicles powered by electricity, not gasoline? The AAA took a look at public sentiment about both possible transportation futures.



As the Green Car Reports website reports, 50% of survey participants said they expect most cars will drive themselves by 2029, but only 40% thought most vehicles will be electric by that year.

AAA explains the lower figure for electric cars by citing other survey results indicating that 59% of drivers aren't sure that their range on the highway and in the city is as good or better than that of gas-powered vehicles, although Green Car Reports says that EVs are more efficient and have more range in the city. Consumers said gasoline would have to reach \$5 gallon before they'd consider buying an electric car.

## Parents risk retirement to help kids

**M**ost parents want to help their children financially when they're just starting out, but the costs can be substantial: A Bankrate survey found that many U.S. parents are risking their retirement savings to support their children as they begin their careers.

Asked, "Would you say you have sacrificed/are sacrificing your own retirement savings in order to help your adult children?" 17% of respondents answered, "Yes, a lot," and 34% answered, "Yes, somewhat." On the other hand, 41 percent responded, "No, not at all." (For 9%, the questions didn't apply because they hadn't started or aren't saving money for retirement.)

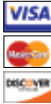
At what age should parents stop footing their kids' bills? Here's what they said:

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Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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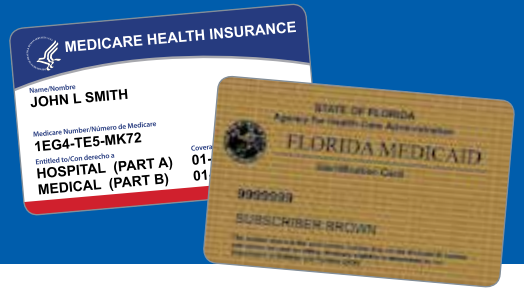
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## Know the two types of creative thought

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**C**reativity comes in two types of thinking—divergent and convergent. You’ll get more out of your brain by recognizing the two so you can deploy them appropriately. Here’s how the London Business School website defines both:

### **Divergent thinking**

Imagining  
Creating  
Challenging  
Dreaming

### **Convergent thinking**

Testing  
Judging  
Deciding  
Evaluating



Use divergent thinking for generating ideas; practice convergent thinking to implement them.

## Get back into the creative habit

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**A**ll of us are born with creative minds, but some of us lose the habit. The Entrepreneur magazine website offers these tips for getting your creative mojo back:

- **Practice mindful observation.** You look, but do you really see? Make a practice of observing and appreciating the details of your surroundings. You may see, hear, smell, or feel things you never noticed before, which can give you new ideas and insights.
- **Rev up your curiosity.** Make a point of asking questions about everything you see and do, even if you think you already know the answers. Exploring situations more deeply can yield fresh insights into everyday problems.
- **Free your mind.** Forget limitations. When you brainstorm, think beyond boundaries and the conventional wisdom. Don’t accept the tried and true—instead, teach yourself to look at what seems impossible. You could find a way to make the impossible come true.
- **Practice being creative.** Don’t wait until a problem erupts to flex your creative muscles. Your mind will be in better shape if you look for opportunities to be creative every day. Set yourself a small problem, and spend a few minutes thinking of new and different ways to solve it. You’ll be ready when you really need a spark of inspiration.



*A creative man is motivated by the desire to achieve, not by the desire to beat others.*  
—Ayn Rand



## Is your diet healthy or not? Here are some foods to watch for

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**M**ost of us strive to maintain a healthy diet, but all the fads and trends that come and go can make it tricky. Here's some advice from the Newsmax website for staying on the right path:

- **Fat.** Saturated fats can be unhealthy, but unsaturated fats, like those found in avocados, almonds, and fish, are good for you in moderation.
- **Eggs.** Egg yolks were once thought to contribute to dietary cholesterol, but that's been proven false. Again, enjoy in moderation.
- **“Healthy” food.** Processed foods touted as “healthy” may have high levels of sugar and salt to enhance flavor, along with preservatives. Make sure you're eating foods that haven't replaced fat with some other unhealthy ingredient.
- **Gluten.** Some people are allergic to gluten, so avoiding it makes sense. If you're not, however there's no need to stay away from healthy foods containing wheat, rye, and barley.
- **Sports drinks.** Most sports drinks contain high levels of carbohydrates, sugars, and calories. Unless you're training for a marathon or some other extreme activity, don't consume them regularly.
- **Raw food.** A diet of raw food isn't particularly healthy, and it can be difficult to maintain outside of your own home. Cooked vegetables are easier to digest, and most foods are safer to eat when cooked.



## Explorer dives to deepest depths yet

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**H**ow low can you go? A Texas explorer has gone lower than anyone ever before, taking a submersible to a depth of 35,853 feet in the Mariana Trench, according to an article on the UPI website. It's a new record, beating the previous by 52 feet.

The team behind the dive believes it has found at least three new aquatic species living under the sea, one of them an amphipod with long appendages.



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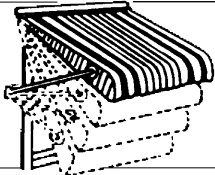
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“Well, now that you mention it,” the pope said, “I’ve always wanted to drive again. Ever since I was appointed, I’ve been driven everywhere.”

The chauffeur pulled over and switched places with the pope. Once behind the wheel, the pope stepped on the accelerator and began speeding down the road. He soon spotted the flashing lights of a police cruiser.

“Oops, I guess I was speeding,” the pope said as he pulled over.

The officer walked to the car, but upon recognizing the pope in the driver’s seat, he spun on his heels and walked back to his cruiser. He radioed in to the station:

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“No,” the cop replied. “He’s bigger than that.”

“Is it the governor?”

“No. This is someone more important than that.”

“Oh, no,” the chief said. “You didn’t stop the president, did you?”

“No,” the cop replied. “This is someone bigger than that.”

“Bigger than the president? Who did you pull over?” the chief asked.

“I don’t know,” the cop replied. “But whoever it is, he has the pope as his driver.”





# August Sudoku

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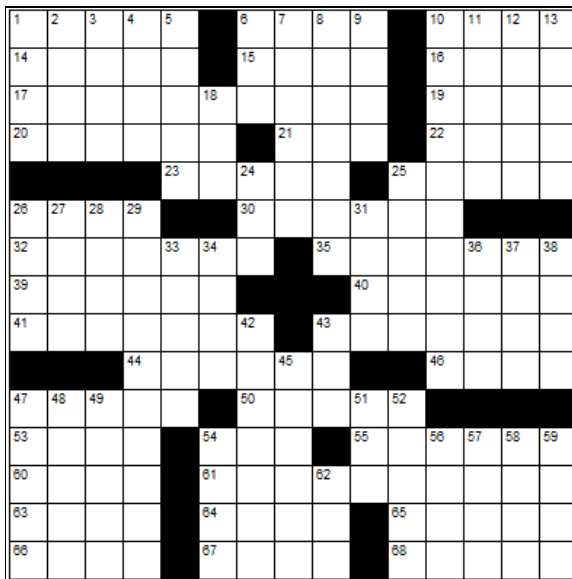
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- 30. A Eurasian annual herb
- 32. Relating to an orbit
- 35. Adolescent
- 39. Type of ointment
- 40. Quake
- 41. Besmirched
- 43. A man's high tasseled boot
- 44. Kind of shark
- 46. A period of discounted prices
- 47. Ritual
- 50. Agrees
- 53. Iridescent gem
- 54. Smidgen
- 55. Move unsteadily
- 60. Timbuktu country
- 61. Beautiful
- 63. At one time (archaic)
- 64. Big party
- 65. Domesticated
- 66. Remain
- 67. Killed
- 68. Shorthand



**DOWN**

- 1. Superhero accessory
- 2. How old we are
- 3. Perturb
- 4. High fidelity
- 5. Colonic
- 6. Mesh
- 7. Narcotic
- 8. Hostile
- 9. Skin disease
- 10. Utility
- 11. Not working
- 12. Affair
- 13. Sows
- 18. Ear of corn
- 24. Whole
- 25. Wharves
- 26. Boohoos
- 27. Baby buggy
- 28. Competent
- 29. Handicap
- 31. French for "Head"
- 33. Fortuneteller's card
- 34. Ends a prayer
- 36. Dogfish
- 37. Objective
- 38. Sea eagle
- 42. Not analog
- 43. Goblin
- 45. Jot
- 47. Houses
- 48. Not together
- 49. Light wood
- 51. Estimated time of arrival
- 52. Religious splinter groups
- 54. Nabs
- 56. French for "State"
- 57. An indefinite period
- 58. Not odd
- 59. Start over
- 62. Uncooked



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