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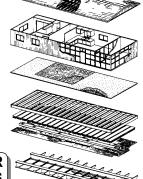


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#### **NEWS:**

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Hi Neighbors, be on the lookout, for a notice, to an upcoming HOA MEETING. <u>There is a lot of NEW NEWS TO REPORT!!!</u> Also come prepared with any issues you would like to bring up for a possible resolution.

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#### **JULY 4TH**

huge THANK YOU!!!! to everyone who came out to Celebrate the 4th Of July and enjoy the wonderful music of JOEL AND DAKOTA!! A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR NEIGHBOR GLENN DIDOMENCIO WHO WORKED THE GRILL UINDER HEAVY RAIN. IT DEFINETELY WAS A STORMY and RAINING DAY but that did not stop Silk Oak residents and volunteers.

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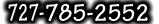


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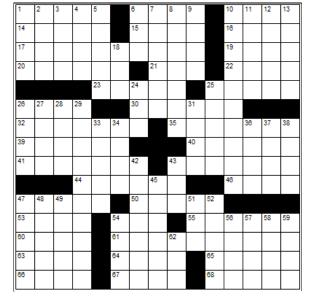
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- 1. Stockpile
- 6. Exploded star
- 10. Hawaiian strings
- 14. Anon
- 15. Sweeping story
- 16. Rescue
- 17. Flawlessness
- 19. Type of sword
- 20. Inuit
- 21. Beer
- 22. A reserve of money
- 23. Diminish
- 25. Golf shots
- 26. WW1 plane
- 30. A Eurasian annual herb
- 32. Relating to an orbit
- 35. Adolescent
- 39. Type of ointment
- 40. Ouake
- 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

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#### DOWN

- 24. Whole 25. Wharves

- 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

- 1. Superhero accessory
- 2. How old we are
- 3. Perturb 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





August Crossword

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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**

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.

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		9:00 A.M. COFFEE HOUR YOGA @ 10:00 AM @ CLUBHOUSE	2 SWIMMING/WATER AROBICS @ 10:00 AM 6:30 PM LCR (LEFT RIGHT CENTER)	3
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**Immunization Awareness Month.** This is a topic sure to bring about spirited debates. No matter what side of the issue you are on, take the time to get information from credible sources and speak with your physician regarding any concerns you might have.

**National Read a Romance Month.** Since 2013, freelance writer and book reviewer Bobbi Dumas has been celebrating the romance genre. She believes that as the summer nears its end, August is the best time to try a light read. Add a romance novel to your reading list this month, or select one to read with your book club.



**National Win with Civility Month.** Take the high road this month in your dispute resolutions, mediations, and negotiations anytime you are faced with conflict.





#### Skepticism about electric cars

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

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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#### Know the two types of creative thought

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 Convergent thinking

ImaginingTestingCreatingJudgingChallengingDecidingDreamingEvaluating



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

#### Get back into the creative habit

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.



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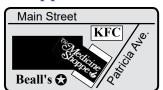
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#### Is your diet healthy or not? Here are some foods to watch for

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**

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.



The explorer, Victor Vescovo, said, "We feel like we have just created, validated, and opened a powerful door to discover and visit any place, any time, in the ocean—which is 90% unexplored."



#### Someone important

The pope was visiting the U.S. and had been assigned a driver to take him around. "If there is anywhere you want to go or anything I can do for you, just let me know," the chauffer said.

"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:

"Chief, I just pulled over a VIP, and I'm not sure what I should do," he said.

"Is it the mayor?" the chief asked.

"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."





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#### The kite cloth

Zen master once gave his student a piece of silk fabric that had been twisted and tied into many knots. Yet he told the student it was a beautiful kite that he should fly in the garden.

The student took hold of the mess he'd been handed, not sure of what to make of it. Then he carefully began to undo each knot and twist. With the fabric smoothed out he attached frame and tether. He released the kite and the wind carried it high into the air.

The student admired the ease with which the kite sailed through the air. At that moment he understood that for his life to be as light and free as the kite, he would need to undo the problems that kept his heart knotted up and tangled into a hard lump.



#### **Curse of knowledge**

Then people don't understand what you're trying to share with them, they might get frustrated. You may wonder why they aren't getting something so simple. This is called the curse of knowledge, as is spelled out in this story:

Elizabeth Newton was studying at Stanford University in 1990 when she set up a simple experiment.

She divided students up into two different groups—tappers and listeners. Tappers were asked to tap out a simple song that everyone would know, and listeners had to guess the song.

She asked tappers to guess how many people would get the song right. They expected about half to get it right. When they tapped it out, though, only 2.5% got it right.

Listeners were only hearing tappity tap, but tappers (internally) were hearing the whole song.

The point is when we have any type of information that we're conveying to someone else, the tapper always knows more than the listener and has the bigger picture.

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