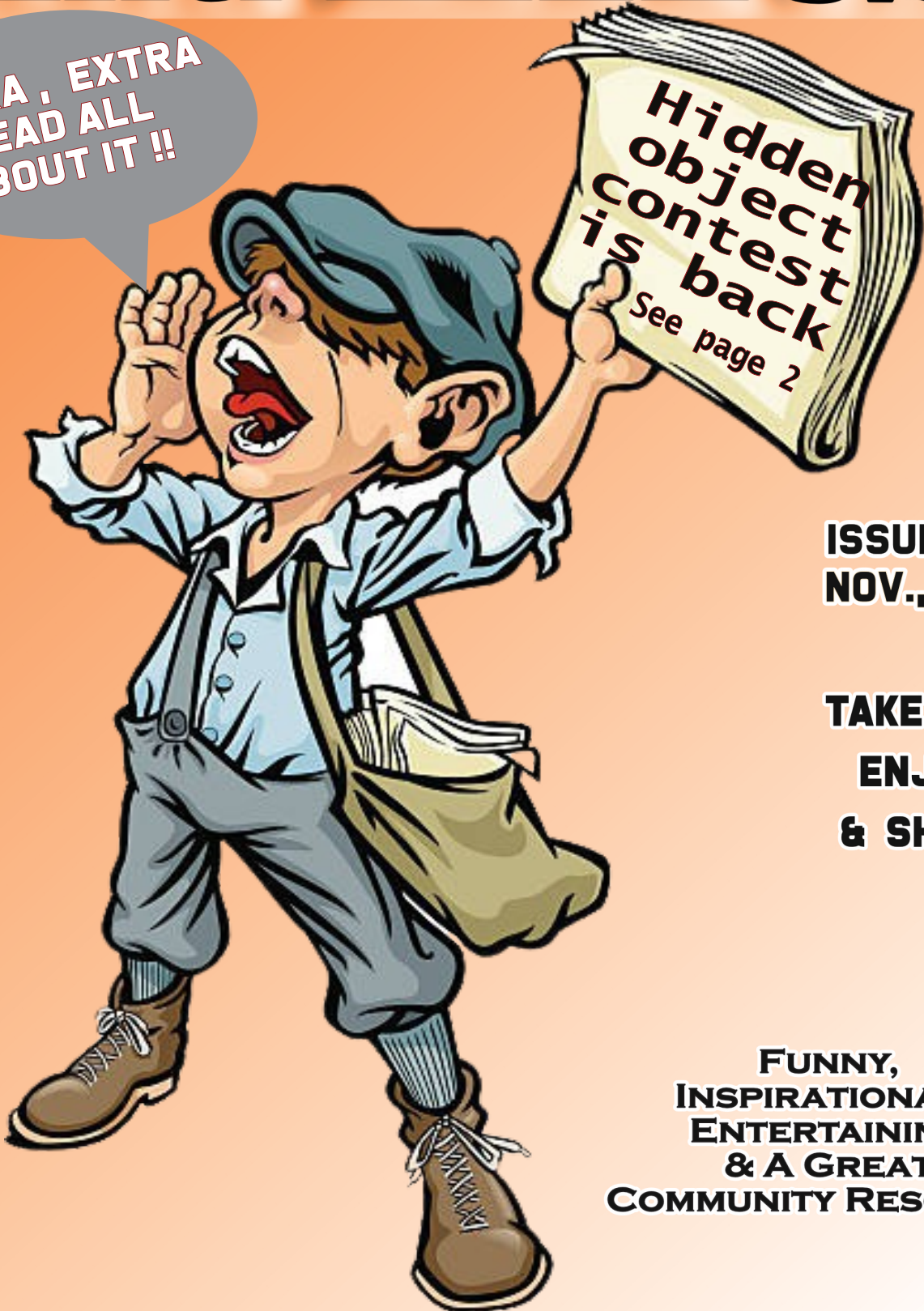


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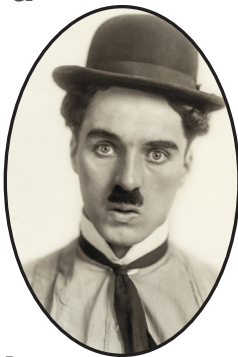
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Boudreaux asks Thibodeaux, "Why dem Scuba divers always fall backways off dem boats?"
Thibodeaux replies, "You one dumb Cajan! If dey fell forwards dey'd still be in de' boat."



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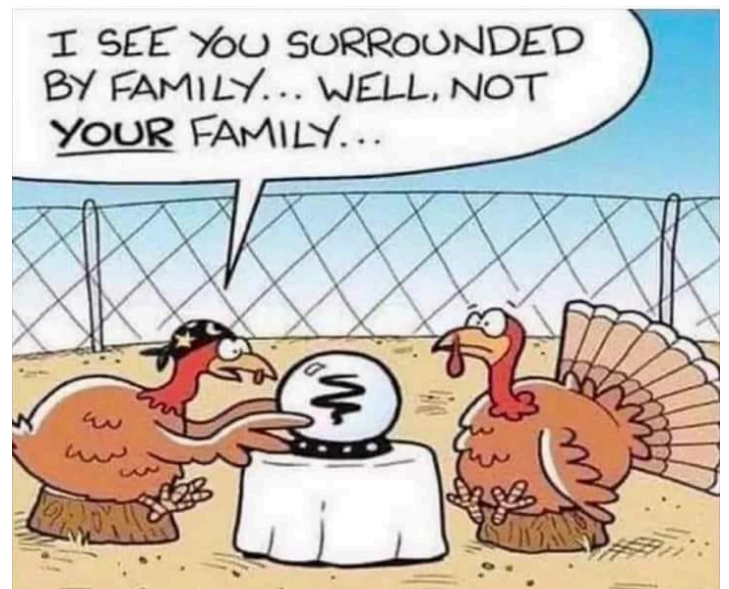
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The man politely thanked them and then, looking over their heads, asked if he could be excused for a moment. He quickly walked through the crowd until he reached the side of an elderly black woman who was struggling with two large suitcases. He picked up the bags and with a smile, escorted the woman to a bus. After helping her aboard, he wished her a safe journey. As he returned to the greeting party he apologized, "Sorry to have kept you waiting."

The man was Dr. Albert Schweitzer, the famous missionary doctor who had spent his life helping the poor in Africa. In response to Schweitzer's action, one member of the reception committee said with great admiration to the reporter standing next to him, "That's the first time I ever saw a sermon walking."

- Author Unknown

Recently in Traffic Court, a man who received an expensive parking ticket testified that a uniformed Policeman had given his OK for the man to park there.

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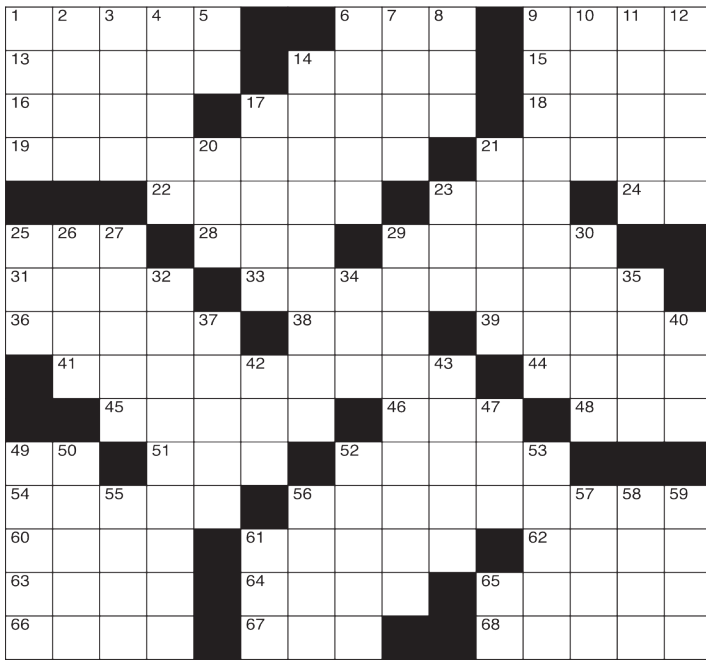
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CLUES ACROSS

1. German philosopher
6. A type of stock trading (abbr.)
9. Cincinnati ballplayers
13. Deerlike water buffaloes
14. Island
15. Jewish calendar month
16. Round Dutch cheese
17. Unstressed syllable of a metrical foot
18. A restaurant needs one
19. Decent behaviors
21. Groans
22. Works hard
23. Upset
24. A sound made in speech
25. One point east of due south
28. Boxing's GOAT
29. Whittles
31. Tailless amphibian
33. Surrounded
36. Doesn't stay still
38. Copycat
39. Four-door car
41. Morally correct behavior
44. Something that is owed
45. Pasta needs it
46. Ant-Man's last name
48. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
49. Small period of time (abbr.)
51. Woman (French)
52. On or around
54. Fencing swords
56. Fonts
60. A command in the name of the court
61. Sprays with an irritant
62. Georgetown athlete
63. Dry or withered
64. Sign of injury
65. Tracts of land (abbr.)
66. 365 days
67. Physique
68. Icelandic poems

CLUES DOWN

1. Bodily substance
2. Internal
3. Provoke or annoy
4. Type of lounge chair
5. Losses
6. Makes less severe
7. Identifies a thing close at hand
8. Group of blood disorders (abbr.)
9. Rebuilt
10. Ancient Greek City
11. American investigative journalist
12. Partially melted snow
14. Take shape
17. Mexican beverage
20. Patti Hearst's captors
21. Jacobs and Summers are two
23. Disfigure
25. Scientists' tool (abbr.)
26. Ill-mannered person
27. Overhang
29. Famed rat catcher
30. Passover feast and ceremony
32. Equal to 10 meters
34. Central processing unit
35. Chinese native religion
37. Unfermented juices
40. To the ___ degree
42. Frozen water
43. Medieval circuit courts
47. 1,000 cubic feet (abbr.)
49. Gossipy
50. Shopping is one type
52. Palmlike plant
53. Partner to Ooohed
55. Welsh name meaning 'snow'
56. Popular Mexican dish
57. It helps power devices
58. Reddish-brown wildcat
59. Impertinence
61. Legal financial term (abbr.)
65. Atomic #52

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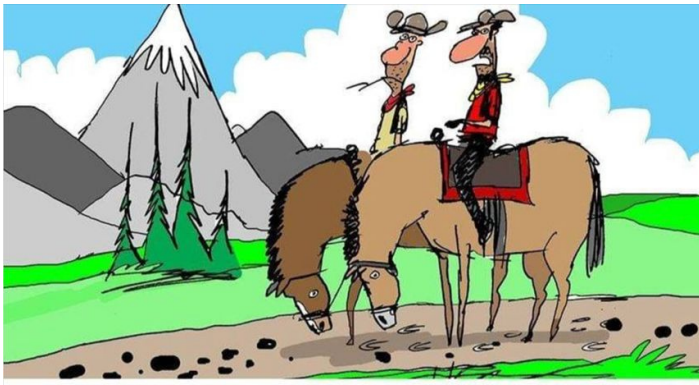
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BASEBALL QUOTE

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Caller: "Oh. Well, my boss told me to call and get a baseball quote to ship a package."

USPS guy (as light dawns): "Um... Maybe you want a ballpark figure?"

Caller: "Yeah, that's it!"

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 8. More Practice - Less Thinking
 9. More Praise - Less Blame
 10. More Charity - Less Greed

One Time I was late
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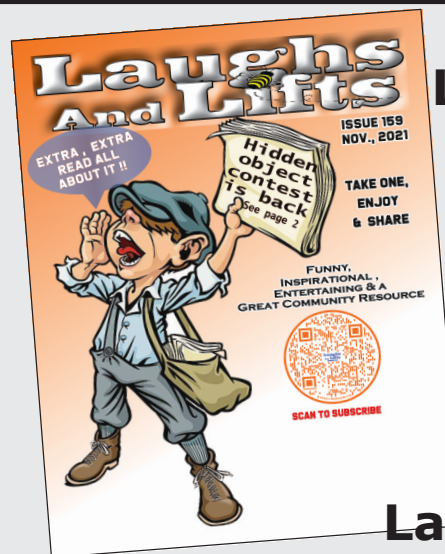
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Aunt T's Kitchen

MAPLE OATMEAL PIE

Ingredients

- Dough for single-crust pie
- 4 large eggs, room temperature
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup quick-cooking oats
- 3/4 cup corn syrup
- 1/2 cup maple syrup
- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 3 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 cup sweetened shredded coconut
- Vanilla ice cream, optional



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350°. On a lightly floured surface, roll dough to a 1/8-in.-thick circle; transfer to a 9-in. pie plate. Trim crust to 1/2 in. beyond rim of plate; flute edge.
2. In a large bowl, combine eggs, sugar, flour, cinnamon and salt. Stir in oats, syrups, butter and vanilla; pour into crust. Sprinkle with coconut.
3. Bake until set, 50-60 minutes. Cover edge with foil during the last 15 minutes to prevent overbrowning if necessary. Cool on a wire rack. If desired, serve with ice cream. Refrigerate leftovers.

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CARAMEL PECAN PIE

Ingredients

- 36 caramels
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/4 cup butter, cubed
- 3 large eggs, room temperature
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1-1/3 cups chopped pecans, toasted
- 1 frozen deep-dish pie crust (9 inches)
- Pecan halves, optional



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350°. In a small heavy saucepan, combine the caramels, water and butter. Cook and stir over low heat until caramels are melted. Remove from the heat and set aside.
2. In a small bowl, beat the eggs, sugar, vanilla and salt until smooth. Gradually add caramel mixture. Stir in chopped pecans. Pour into crust. If desired, arrange pecan halves over filling.
3. Bake until set, 35-40 minutes. Cool on a wire rack. Refrigerate leftovers.

CANDY APPLE PIE

Ingredients

- 6 cups sliced peeled tart apples
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- Dough for double-crust pie
- 2 tablespoons butter

TOPPING:

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon heavy whipping cream
- 1/4 cup chopped pecans



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 400°. In a large bowl, toss apples with lime juice. Combine sugar, flour, cinnamon and salt; add to apples and toss lightly.
2. On a lightly floured surface, roll one half of dough to a 1/8-in.-thick circle; transfer to a 9-in. pie plate. Add filling; dot with butter. Roll remaining dough to a 1/8-in.-thick circle. Place over filling. Trim, seal and flute edge. Cut slits in top.
3. Bake until golden brown and apples are tender, 40-45 minutes.
4. For topping, melt butter in a small saucepan. Stir in brown sugar and cream; bring to a boil, stirring

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constantly. Remove from the heat and stir in pecans.
 5. Pour over top crust. Bake until bubbly, 3-4 minutes longer. Place on a wire rack. Serve warm.

SPICED EGGNOG PUMPKIN PIE

Ingredients

- Dough for single-crust pie
- 1 can (15 ounces) solid-pack pumpkin
- 1-1/4 cups eggnog
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 425°. On a lightly floured surface, roll dough to 1/8-in.-thick circle; transfer to a 9-in. pie plate. Trim crust to 1/2 in. beyond rim of plate; flute edge.
2. Place remaining ingredients in a large bowl; beat just until smooth. Pour into crust. Bake 15 minutes.
3. Reduce oven setting to 350°; bake until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean, 30-35 minutes longer. Cover edge loosely with foil during the last 15 minutes if needed to prevent over-browning. Remove foil. Cool on a wire rack. Store in the refrigerator.

RAISIN PECAN PIE

Ingredients

- Pastry for single-crust pie (9 inches)
- 1/2 cup boiling water
- 1/2 cup golden raisins
- 3 large eggs, room temperature
- 1-1/2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup butter, melted
- 2 teaspoons cider vinegar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans



Directions

1. On a lightly floured surface, roll dough to a 1/8-in.-thick circle; transfer to a 9-in. pie plate. Trim crust to 1/2 in. beyond rim of plate; flute edge. Refrigerate 30 minutes. Preheat oven to 350°.
2. Pour boiling water over raisins in a small bowl; let stand 5 minutes. Drain. In a large bowl, beat eggs, sugar, melted butter, vinegar, vanilla and spices until blended. Stir in pecans and drained raisins. Pour into crust.
3. Bake on a lower oven rack until filling is set, 35-40 minutes. Cool on a wire rack. Refrigerate leftovers

COCONUT MACAROON PIE

Ingredients

- 1 sheet refrigerated pie crust
- 2 large eggs
- 1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk
- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 package (14 ounces) sweetened shredded coconut



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350°. Unroll crust into a 9-in. pie plate; flute edge. Refrigerate while preparing filling.
2. In a large bowl, beat eggs, milk, melted butter, extract and salt until blended. Stir in flour. Reserve 1/2 cup coconut; stir remaining coconut into egg mixture. Transfer to pie crust. Sprinkle with reserved coconut.
3. Bake on a lower oven rack until golden brown and filling is set, 35-45 minutes. Cool on a wire rack. Refrigerate leftovers.

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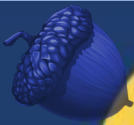
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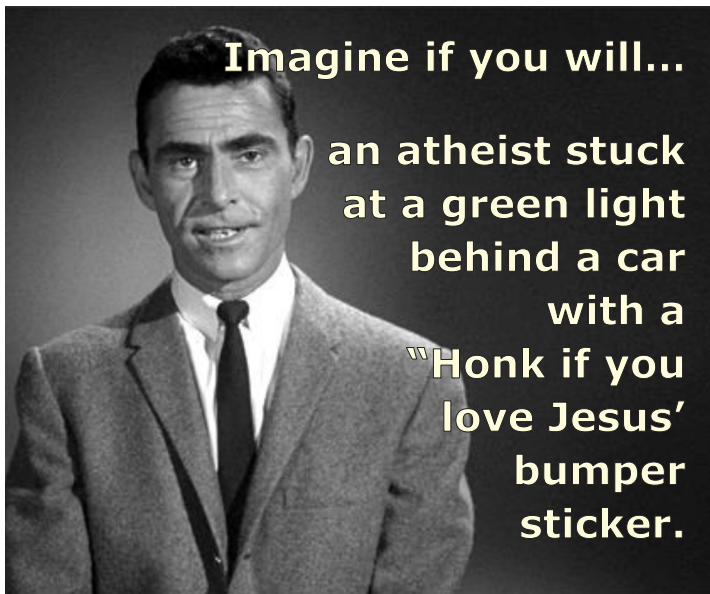
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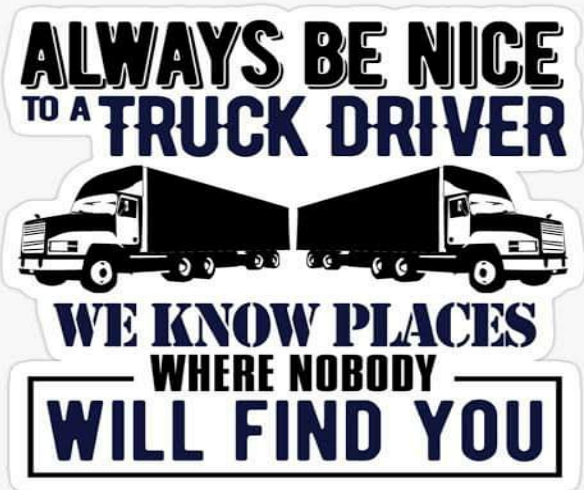
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SOLUTIONS ON PAGE 30

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 debt, religion, how to deal with family,
 what belief will be instilled in your
 children, childhood traumas, sexual
 expectations, partner expectations,
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By: Wallace Kennedy, Jr.

Many people have suffered and died from COVID-19. Some businesses closed. Wearing a mask and social distancing is like a new norm. Some churches are closed or have few attendees. We suffered the grief of not being able to fellowship with other brothers and sisters as we are used to. Thanks be to God for the tools available to have “virtual services”. While Scripture affirms the vital, essential nature of corporate worship (Hebrews 10:25), hearing from God is not confined to a church building. We can’t put limits on an unlimited God!

Consider Jesus' conversation with the woman at the well!

John 4:19-20 The woman saith unto Him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet. Our fathers worshiped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.

The Samaritan woman made a familiar statement, I will paraphrase: “My grandparents and parents went to church here, and this is where I will go to worship God”. She goes on to say, “You say people should go to Jerusalem to worship”.

Listen my friends, “Genuine Worship” has nothing to do with genealogy nor a geographical location. Our profound reverence, homage to our supreme and sovereign God, is a matter of the heart.

Jesus says to the woman: **But the hour cometh, and**



now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship Him. **John 4:23**

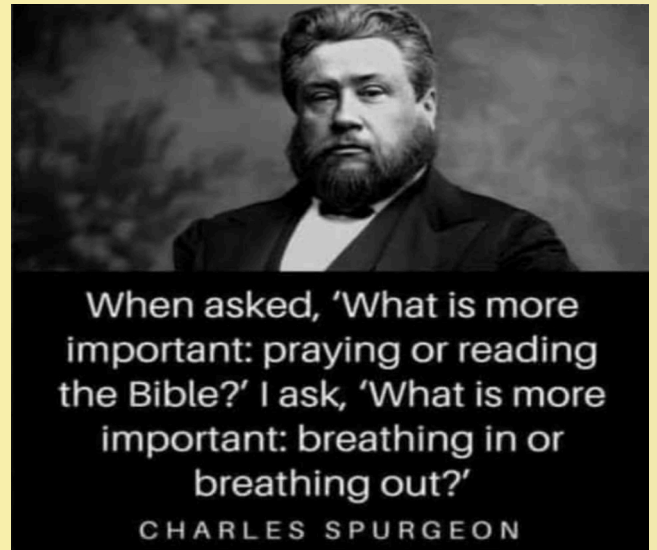
Jesus is our husband. We are married to Him (Isaiah 54:5). Can you imagine only talking to or being in the presence of your spouse for about an hour and a half on Sunday, and maybe one hour on Wednesday?

Consider God’s many promises, all that He has done, all that He is doing right now, and all He promises to do in our future. We can enjoy His presence and can worship Him in our home, in our car, on the job, anytime, anyplace, and anywhere.

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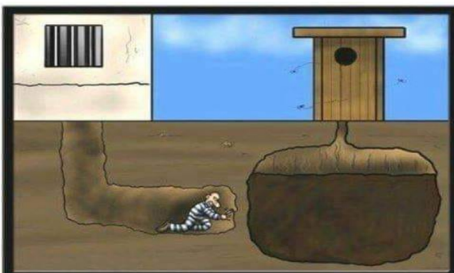
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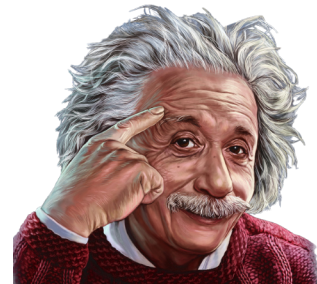


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- 9 x 6 = 54
- 9 x 7 = 63
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- 9 x 9 = 81
- 9x10 = 91

In class they mocked him and made fun of him because he had made a mistake, as the correct answer for 9 x10 is 90. Albert Einstein waited for everyone to shut up and said: " Despite me answering the first 9 questions correctly, no one congratulated me. Instead, when I got one wrong, everyone started laughing. This means that despite being very successful, society will only notice the smallest mistake and make fun of it. Don't let simple criticism destroy your dreams ".
MORALE.
Only those who do nothing don't make mistakes.



I may be old but I got to drive all the cool cars.

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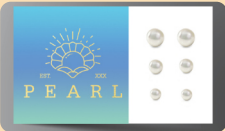
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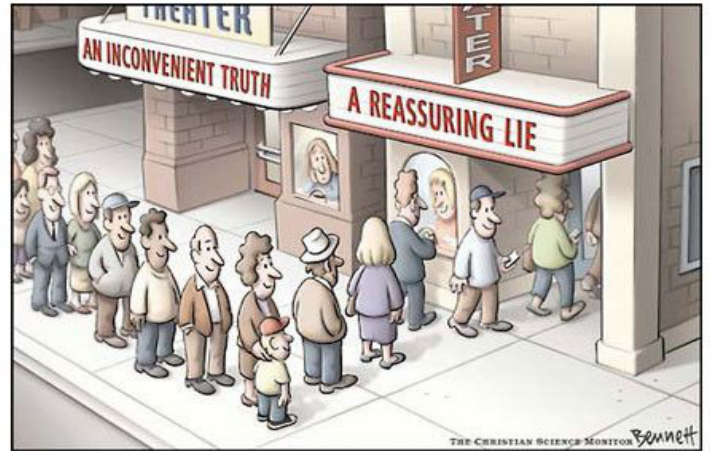
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through town. He tried to explain what happened and that he was in fact Truth, but because he was naked and uncomfortable to look at, people mocked and shunned him; refusing to believe he was really Truth. The people in town chose to believe Lie because he was dressed appropriately and easier to look at. From that day until this, people have come to believe a well-dressed lie rather than believe a naked truth.

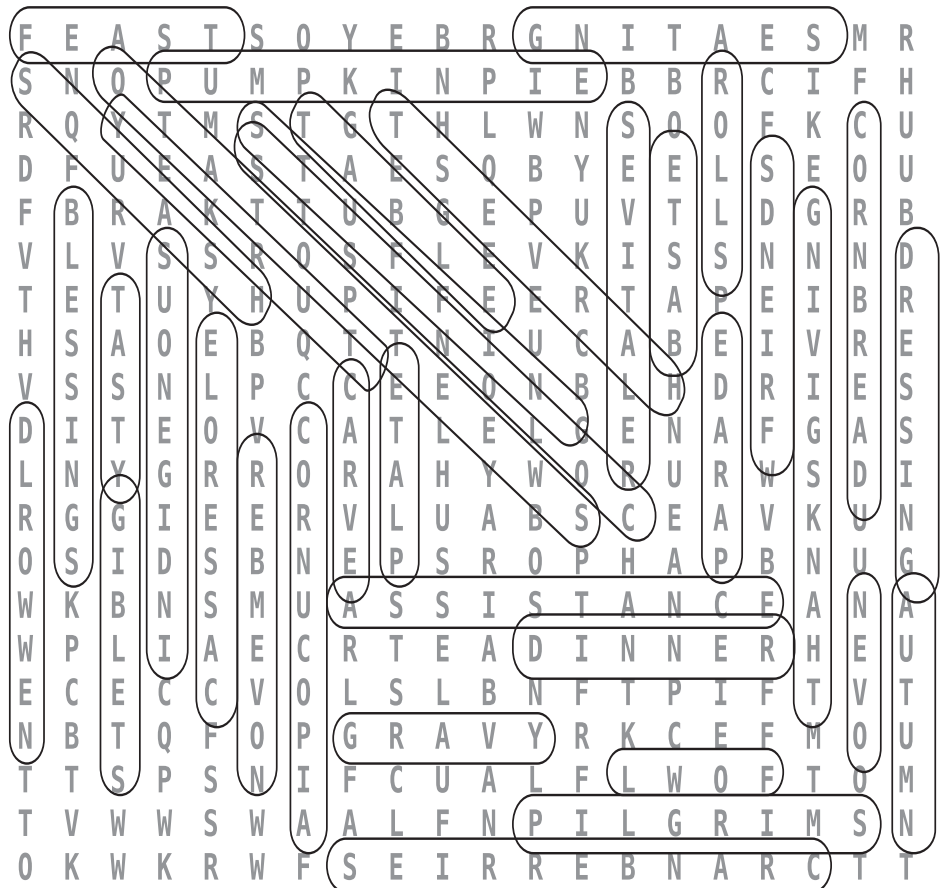


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Claybank Master Gardeners

November 2021

Greetings Gardeners!

First, there is need for a correction for the date of **Make a Difference Day** in Ozark. Please note, it is to be held on **October 23rd**, the 4th Saturday in October. (if you show up on the previously incorrect posted date, you'll be all by yourself!) We're hoping that you will see this issue of **Laughs and Lifts** in time to volunteer. We'll meet at the First Baptist Church at 7:30 to sign up for the areas where we want to work. There will be LOTS of places to work, so call your friends and bring an army! Don't forget your hats, gloves, rakes and brooms, and pruning shears if you like to do that. You'll get to meet fun new people who care about helping our community. Afterwards, we'll be treated to free lunch provided by First United Methodist Church.**



at **Dothan Area Botanical Gardens**. This energetic gal has built several types of herb gardens there and has plans for more. Caitlin is a storehouse of helpful information on how to grow and use herbs for cooking and restoring health. If you haven't been to Dothan to visit the Gardens there, It is located at 5130 Headland Ave. This is the perfect time of year to visit these beautiful and well-planned out gardens, and you will find it well worth the drive.*

Fall planting time is upon us, (HOORAY!) my *** FAVORITE *** time to garden with fewer bugs, cooler temps, and all the green veggies I love will thrive! The SOW app tells us we can plant broccoli, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, collards, kale, lettuce, mustard greens, onions, radishes, spinach, strawberries and turnips. Good soil, consistent moisture, and 4-6 hours of sunshine for most greens.

The *Claybank Master Gardeners* meet **every 2nd Wednesday** of the month, with masks and socially distanced, at 11AM at **Hoppergrass Restaurant in Ozark, 129 S. East Ave.** (But please first call the **Dale County Extension Office at (334) 774-2329** to be sure in case of changes). This month, we meet on November 10th. We love to see new faces. Come and join us.

The October meeting of Claybank Master Gardeners featured a very interesting and informative talk on medicinal herbs and spices by **Caitlin Clark**, who also works



SPOT THE DIFFERENCES

Solution on page 31



WACKY WORDIES

1. Leave no stone unturned
2. Foot in the door
3. Go on a double-date
4. Green with envy
5. Look me square in the eye
6. Broken promise
7. Pull up alongside the curb
8. Excuse me
9. High-grade performance
10. Take on a big job
11. Split the difference
12. He came out of nowhere
13. Wait on hand and foot
14. Suit to a T
15. Know it forward and back
16. A period in history
17. Crooked lawyer
18. Get up on the wrong side of bed
19. Sign on the dotted line
20. Disorderly conduct

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"I though you were a ghost!" says the teen. What are you doing working so late?"

"Oh those idiots," grumbled the old man. "They misspelled my name."

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WHAT IF?

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Have you ever went down the unproductive rabbit hole of saying what if? This statement is normally connected to a decision you made previously that you aren't really in a position to change now. I heard it said one day that there is a reason the rear view mirror in a car is smaller than the windshield. It is designed like that so we can focus on what is in front of us instead of what is behind us. I also hear the phrase what if used in the context of something we would like to see happen but that we don't think will. Can we change the narrative on "what if". I will admit that in recent months I have felt stuck. Have you ever felt stuck? It is a miserable feeling and can cause us to coast through life saying what if, with no intention to do anything about it. Today it has to change. I want to call us to live intentional, recognize the moments we are given and seize the day (Carpe Diem)! Let's take the what if question and look optimistically at it and carry it out. If the goal is to far away to be realized today, do something that can be realized and work your way towards it. I get that you are tired and want to coast right now, but don't let your coasting turn into complacency. Take some time to rest and get back into the game. God has gifted each one of us uniquely and you are needed. Jesus tells a story in Matthew 25:14-30 about a master that was going away temporarily and entrusted his talents (money) to three men. One man received 5 talents (money), one received 2 talents, and one received 1 talent. The first two men traded and invested and made their master double the amount of talents. However, the third man went and hid the 1 talent and when the master returned, he gave his master his 1 talent. The master was pleased with the result of the first two, but was very unhappy with the third. He allowed the first two to keep the talents to continue investing and removed the 1 talent from the last man and dismissed him because he buried the talent instead of doing something with it. Friends are we burying the gifts God has given us? Are we just sitting on them waiting for His return? Let's make a lasting difference today together. Let's say "What If" and insert ourselves into the mix and see what God has in store.

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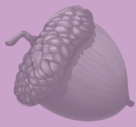
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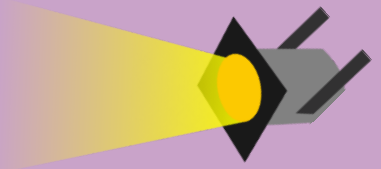
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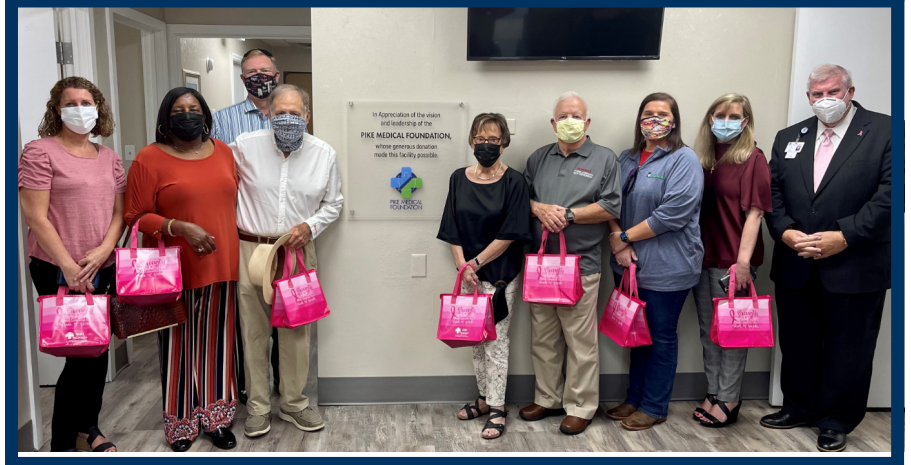


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