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by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Habakkuk (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Joseph was buried in a plot of ground at Shechem costing how many pieces of silver? 1, 7, 30, 100
3. Which metal, used to sharpen other metals, does Proverbs 27 compare to friends? Gold, Silver, Iron, Tin
4. What is the middle chapter of the New Testament? Romans 13, Galatians 2, Ephesians 5, Titus 1
5. The book of Hebrews tells us to entertain strangers as they may be...? Demons, Angels, Prophets, Reincarnations
6. From Ruth 1, who was Naomi's husband? Elimelech, Mahlon, Chilion, Malachi

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) 100, 3) Iron, 4) Romans 13, 5) Angels, 6) Elimelech

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GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be careful not to waste your precious energy on frivolous matters that don't advance your goals. Stay focused. There'll be enough time for fun and games after you reach your objective.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You've done well on your own, but now could be a good time to consider advice from confidantes, as long as you continue to let your own instincts be your primary guide.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A belated New Year's "gift" could create a problem if you feel unwilling or unable to adjust your plans and accommodate the new development. Check out all options before deciding.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) There's a possibility that you could be goaded into making a statement you might regret. It's important to stay cool no matter how heated the conversation gets.

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AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's a good time to anticipate an upcoming change in the near future. This could mean taking on a new career, going off to a new city or moving into a new home.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Soon, you should be learning more about the motives of those who continue to pressure you into making a decision that you're still unsure about. Use this information wisely.

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HIGHEST-GROSSING MOVIES OF 2023

1. Barbie
2. The Super Mario Bros. Movie
3. Oppenheimer
4. Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3
5. Fast X
6. Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse
7. The Little Mermaid
8. Mission: Impossible - Dead Reckoning Part One
9. Elemental
10. Ant-Man and the Wasp: Quantumania

Source: Comscore

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Four men are in the hospital waiting room because their wives are having babies. A nurse approaches the first guy and says, "Congratulations! You're the father of twins." "That's odd," answers the man. "I work for the Minnesota Twins!" A nurse then yells the second man, "Congratulations! You're the father of triplets!" "That's weird," answers the second man. "I work for the 3M company!" A nurse goes up to the third man saying, "Congratulations! You're the father of quadruplets." "That's strange," he answers. "I work for the Four Seasons hotel!" The last man begins groaning and banging his head against the wall. "What's wrong?" the others ask. "I work for 7 Up!"

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging ◆◆◆ BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Broom handle is longer. 2. Cloth is different. 3. Switzer land. 4. Destiny's Child. 5. Arizona. 6. "Through the Looking-Glass". 7. IV (Four). 8. Having an extra nipple, which affects about 1%-5% of the population. 9. 118. 10. 1924.

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ACROSS

- Hot tub
- Pack (down)
- Honeycomb division
- Joke
- Teen fave
- Celestial bear
- Capote nickname
- Difficult problem
- Celery unit
- Pantheon member
- Morays
- Twilight, poetically
- "Bravo!"
- Wry Bombeck
- Raw rock
- Begets
- Melody
- Actress Meg
- Maintains
- Wheel connectors
- Bake sale orgs.
- Victor
- Dugout seating
- Sociable and lively
- "Caught ya!"
- Medicinal plant
- Vogue rival
- Singer Phair
- Reporter's quest

DOWN

- Boot camp
- Section
- Water, in Mexico
- Hearts, slangily
- Big fuss
- Calendar abbr.
- Advertise
- Get cozy (with)
- Blunder
- Baton Rouge sch.
- Felon's flight
- Eggy quaff
- Triathlon segment
- Secular
- Razor sharpener
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- Red planet
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- African antelope
- "Hud" actress Patricia
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- Equine homes
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- Language suffix
- High school subj.
- Declare
- "The Lion King" lion
- Intel product
- Visibility hindrance
- Fire
- Flamenco cheer
- At once
- de-France
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Trivia Test Answers

- His full name is Kenneth Sean Carson; 2. Scranton, Pennsylvania;
- Switzerland; 4. Destiny's Child; 5. Arizona; 6. "Through the Looking-Glass"; 7. IV (Four); 8. Having an extra nipple, which affects about 1%-5% of the population; 9. 118; 10. 1924.

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the last name of Ken, who was Barbie's boyfriend?
- TELEVISION: In the sitcom "The Office," the company is in which U.S. city?
- GEOGRAPHY: In which country is The Matterhorn located?
- MUSIC: Which 1990s group was the singer Beyonce a part of?
- U.S. STATES: In which state is Monument Valley located?
- LITERATURE: In which children's book do the characters Tweedledee and Tweedledum appear?
- MATH: In Roman numerals, what is XLVIII divided by XII?
- MEDICAL: What is a common name for polythelia?
- CHEMISTRY: How many elements are listed on the Periodic Table?
- MOVIES: What is the year of the Olympics in the movie "Chariots of Fire"?

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January 25, 2024 By Paulette Dean

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A few days later, another person found an emaciated ferret on the Riverwalk and brought her to us. It seemed to be too much of a coincidence for two ferrets to be found in the same condition in the same place, just days apart.

We put the second one in the cage with the first one and were able to witness a wonderful reunion. They obviously were bonded. After a meal, they cuddled together. We found them a home where they remained together.

Ferrets are intelligent and are wonderful companions. They do have specific needs and specific characteristics. They are definitely carnivores and must have a meat-based diet; in fact, it is now known that they cannot process fruit and should be fed a high quality ferret food. They were originally bred to hunt rabbits.

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We have three ferrets at the shelter now. Since they have been together for a long time, they must be adopted together.

We invite you to come visit them. Although ferrets are not the chosen companion for some people, you may become a convert to their wonderful ways!

Boyer Chests

Famous names add to the value of an antique, even if we know more about the maker's work than about the maker. Few names of antique folk artists and country crafters are known today, and even less is known about the people behind them. John Boyer, who made seed chests in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in the mid- to late 19th century, is one of these crafters.

This seed chest, attributed to Boyer, sold for an impressive \$28,320 at a Conestoga auction. The chest features grain painting, a popular decoration at the time. Grain painting meant painting an inexpensive material, such as pine, to resemble an expensive wood, such as mahogany. Boyer chests have a distinctive style of grain painting with diagonal stripes on the sides and vertical lines on the front drawers, which are visible on the chest pictured. We may not know his life story, but John Boyer clearly left his mark on the antiques world.

Q: Is an old Rival No. 100 wooden wringer worth anything? It says "Rolls 10 x 1 3/4 inches" and "The rolls in this wringer are warranted one year for regular family use." The trademark is a horse-shoe shape with the letters "LMC" inside. It's in good condition.

A: Before the invention of automatic washing machines, a hand-cranked wringer was attached to the washing machine or tub and used to wring out the laundry. The mark on your wringer indicates it was made by Lovell Manufacturing Co., a company founded in Erie, Pennsylvania, in 1881. Automatic washing machines were invented in the 1920s and were common in most homes by the 1950s. Wooden wringers from the late 1800s and early 1900s sell for about \$50 to \$100 depending on condition.

TIP: If there are traces of glue on the back of a label, soak the label and carefully scrape the glue off under



This seed chest was made about 1870 out of inexpensive wood for a practical purpose. Now it can command a higher price than some designer pieces.

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Danville Kiwanis Club



During 2023, the Kiwanis Club of Danville Foundation has made grants to ten organizations. At the Thursday, January 18th meeting, Kiwanis Club Foundation President, Jim Daniel, introduced a representative from each organization who then provided a brief summary to Kiwanis members as to how the funds benefited their organization. Pictured in the bottom Row L-R: Carolyn Smith (Danville Area Choral Arts Society), Mary Alice Buck-Hayes (Danville Science Center), Russell Scruggs (Danville Concert Association), Desiree Shaffer (Danville Symphony Orchestra), Wendy Hermann (Gabriella Garden Club), Kim Baldrige (Danville-Pittsylvania Habitat for Humanity). Second Row L-R: Buddy Curry (Kids and Pros, Inc.), Andrew Hall (Danville Parks and Recreation), Vanessa Searce (President, Kiwanis Club of Danville), Jim Martin (Danville Symphony Orchestra), Kenny Lewis (Danville Church & Community Tutorial Program) Gary Terry (Boys & Girls Club of the Danville Area).

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Leaping lizard

The Collins family of Hollywood, FL found an unwelcome guest recently in their guestroom toilet—a rather large iguana. How it got there is anybody's guess. It seemed to be dead at first, but when Mr. Collins brought in a neighbor to help catch the cagey cadger it tried to wriggle its way to freedom. In fact, Mr. Collins and his neighbor managed to trap the lazy lizard in a garbage bag and released it into the great outdoors where it belonged.

It's no glass ring

The Glass family of Chino Hills, CA spent more than a year seeking to recover Jana Glass' wedding ring. Somehow their 5-year-old son had accidentally flushed it down the toilet. They sought help from plumbers to no avail. Fourteen months later a public works crew working in the sewer near their home stopped in their tracks when they came across the sparkling diamond ring. They remembered that Mrs. Glass had lost her ring in the sewer, cleaned it up and, to her grateful surprise, returned it to her.

How old is your turtle

St. Helena island in the South Atlantic Ocean is the home of the world's oldest living creature – a giant tortoise that goes by the name of Jonathan and that is more than 191 years of age. According to the Guinness World Records Jonathan was at least 50 years old when it was brought to St. Helena from the Seychelles islands in 1882, making him the world's oldest living land animal.

Knickers galore

Having trouble putting on your underwear? Go visit Nicholas Manning in Brisbane, Australia. The Guinness Book of World Records says he holds the world record for the fastest time to put on his underpants. More accurately Manning won the honor when he donned ten pairs of undies in just 13.03 seconds.

'Tidy Mouse'

Eek! Do mice get a bum reputation? According to experts on the subject, mice "are fastidiously clean animals." Rodney Holbrook of Builth Wells, Wales can attest to that; he noticed that "stuff" in his tool shed was being relocated each night in an orderly fashion. He planted a hidden camera and, sure enough, he caught what he calls a "tidy mouse" gathering nails, small tools, etcetera and neatly putting them in a small tray. The mouse usually works alone but sometimes has help from a "brother mouse." As Wells put it to the BBC, "I don't bother to tidy up now, I leave things out of the box and they put it back in its place by the morning."

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Hiram Virgle Sluss

June 16, 1929 ~ January 22, 2024 (age 94)



Mr. Hiram Virgle Sluss, age 94, of Danville, Virginia, passed away on Monday, January 22, 2024 at his residence.

Mr. Sluss was born on June 16, 1929 in Clintwood, Virginia to the late Garland Bill Sluss and Ethel Bartley Sluss.

Mr. Sluss spent most of his life in Danville where he worked as a mechanic for Dan River Mills and served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

Mr. Sluss is survived by his wife Betty Clifton Sluss as well as many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Sluss was predeceased by his brothers and sisters.

A graveside service will be conducted on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at 11am at Danville Memorial Gardens with Reverend Ricky Berkley officiating. In light of Covid-19, the family recommends wearing a mask and to distance accordingly.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Danville Lifesaving Crew.

Swicegood Funeral Service is respectfully serving the Sluss family.

Robert Edward Mitchell

May 3, 1935 ~ January 21, 2024 (age 88)



Robert Mitchell, age 88, of Danville, VA, passed away on Sunday, January 21, 2024, at his residence.

Mr. Mitchell was born on May 4, 1935, in Danville, VA, a son of the late Raymond Pierce Mitchell and Hazel Empress Powell Mitchell.

Mr. Mitchell lived his life in Danville and was a graduate of Virginia Tech. He was employed with the City of Danville as a civil engineer until his retirement. Mr. Mitchell was married to Rebecca Maxie Mitchell who preceded him in death.

Mr. Mitchell is survived by his sons, Carlton Mitchell and Stanley Mitchell; his special dog, Katie and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was predeceased by his brother, Raymond Mitchell.

Graveside services will be conducted on Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 2:00 PM in Mt. View Cemetery with Reverend Duane Blevins officiating. Visitation will be held Tuesday evening from 5:00 until 7:00 PM at Swicegood Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made to the American Cancer Society, 405 Williams Ct, #120, Middle River, MD 21220.

Swicegood Funeral Service is respectfully serving the Mitchell family.

Virginia C. Mitchell Ruth

September 21, 1942 ~ January 15, 2024 (age 81)



Virginia Carol Mitchell Surratt Ruth, age 81, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loved ones on January 15th at Sovah Health, Danville from complications from uterine cancer.

Ms. Ruth was born September 21st, 1942 in Rockingham County, N.C., the daughter of the late Luther and Catherine Webb Mitchell, and later lived in Danville, VA.

She was of Methodist faith and attended Hickory Grove United Methodist church in her younger years and later other churches.

She worked in Reidsville N.C. in her younger years. She also enjoyed being around her family so much and doing plastic canvas tissue boxes.

She is survived by her children, Susan Rice, Mark Surratt, Kimberly Wilson (Charles) all of Danville VA; grandchildren, Alysia Wilson, Dakota Wilson (Kelsey Whitlock), Tifinie Surratt (Sarah Rivero), and Beth Surratt; step-daughters, Nicky and Chasity; very special nieces, Diane Newcomb and Kathy Huffines.

In addition to her parents, she is predeceased by her sister, Faye-Mitchell Norman and her husbands Winfred Surratt and John Ruth.

Memorial services will be conducted Saturday, January 20, 2024 at 5:00pm at Swicegood Funeral Home with Pastor Duane Blevins officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the funeral.

Swicegood Funeral Service is respectfully serving the Ruth family.

Larry Dean Webber



Larry Dean Webber, 70, passed away peacefully on January 18, 2024. He was born in Danville, VA to the late Juanita Walker Webber Abbott and the late Paul Webber.

Larry was of the Christian faith and attended

Shermont Baptist Church. In years past, Larry was a musician and a vocalist. He loved to play the piano, his bass guitar, singing the songs of Elvis Presley, and on occasion performed as Elvis for family and friends. He also competed in ballroom dancing. He was a dedicated member of New Song Community Choir. Larry was a man of deep Christian faith, he was beloved by his family and friends. He was kind, compassionate, and always ready to help others. He will be deeply missed.

Larry is survived by three sisters; Paulette Bennett (Walter) of Danville, VA, Donna Jillson (Joe) of Ball Ground, GA, and Sue Webber Wilkerson of Danville, VA. He is also survived by three nieces; Sherri Barnes (Noel) of Atlanta, GA; Bree Nichol (Josh) of Freehome, GA, and Mandy Zellmer (Joseph) of Liberty, NC, four nephews; Chris Slaughter of Martinsville, VA, Blake DuVernay (Shanta) of Bassett, VA; Michael Bennett (Stephanie) of Blairs, VA, and Brian Bennett (Julie) of Chatham, VA; and 12 great nephews and four great nieces. The family would like to extend a special thanks to his loving caregiver, Loretta Mayhew.

In addition to his Mother and Father, Larry was predeceased by a nephew, Joey Bennett.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 2:00pm at Shermont Baptist Church, 781 Mt. Cross Road, Danville, VA with pastor Ryan Riley officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. View Cemetery, Danville, VA. A visitation will be held on Wednesday, January 24, 2024 from 6-7:30pm at Norris Mt. Hermon Chapel, Danville, VA. The family will receive friends at other times at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Paulette Bennett.

Norris Funeral Services, Inc. and Crematory, Mt. Hermon Chapel, 3995 Franklin Turnpike, Danville, VA is serving the family.

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HOLLYWOOD
by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD — Becoming famous has its drawbacks. Two-time Irish Film and Television Award winner **Jamie Dornan** became a fan favorite as Christian Grey in "Fifty Shades of Grey" (2015), "Fifty Shades Darker" (2017) and "Fifty Shades Freed" (2018). But with that kind of adoration can come unexpected problems. Dornan told The Independent, "I had a situation ... a stalker-type situation before COVID. ... Someone turned up at my house when my kids were there."

The incident scared him so much that he became secretive and withdrew in many ways. "The more I can block that out," he confessed, "the better it is for me and the family!" It forced him to pull back and change up his approach with his career by slowing things down and becoming more guarded and selective. The notoriety and serial implications that went with the "Fifty Shades" trilogy attracted some savory, obsessed fans.

Since "Fifty Shades," he's scored with "Belfast" (2021) and his last film, "A Haunting in Venice" (2023). He will soon be seen in season two of the British series "The Tourist," which will drop on Feb. 29 on Netflix. No word yet on season three.

Ryan Reynolds is starring in the live-action/animated fantasy-comedy "IF," produced by **John Krasinski**, who also wrote, directed and starred in the film. It follows a young girl who has the ability to see people's imaginary friends, referred to as "IFs."

The film captures the voices of **Steve Carell**, **Phoebe Waller-Bridge**, **Louis Gossett Jr.**, **Emily Blunt**, **Matt Damon**, **Maya Rudolph**, **Jon Stewart**, **Sam Rockwell**, **Sebastian Maniscalco**, **Christopher Meloni**, **Richard Jenkins**, **Awkwafina** and **Vince Vaughn**. Paramount Pictures will release it in theaters on May 17.

From seeing imaginary friends to seeing aliens! Writer/director and veteran cinematographer **Richard**



Courtesy of Universal Pictures
Jamie Dornan in "Fifty Shades Darker" (2017)

Bakewell has rounded up some great veteran actors from the '80s to costar in "Roswell Delirium." Based in 1986, the screenplay is about a young woman who believes she can contact aliens that can help cure the after-effects of a nuclear disaster.

To get you in the '80s mood, Bakewell has cast **Anthony Michael Hall** ("The Breakfast Club"), **Dee Wallace** ("E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial"), **Sam J. Jones** ("Flash Gordon"), **Reginald VelJohnson** ("Family Matters") and **Lisa Whelchel** ("The Facts of Life") to support the film's young star, **Kylee Levin** ("Emily Ever After"). It drops on Netflix on March 15.

Tom Cruise, 61, is reportedly dating Russian model **Elsina Khayrova**. 36. Khayrova is a mother of two who was formally married to a Russian oligarch close to **Vladimir Putin** for a decade. Now a British citizen living in London, she and Cruise have been seen around Blighty, but somehow, she doesn't seem to fit the love profile of our "Top Gun!"

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1. What was the name of Kenny Rogers' band in the '60s?
2. Name the longest Beatles song.
3. Which group was the first to release "Alley Oop"?
4. What was the original name of The Supremes?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "I know there's only, only one like you, There's no way they could have made two."

Answers

1. The First Edition. Their first big hit came with "Ruby, Don't Take Your Love to Town," written by Mel Tillis, about a paralyzed veteran whose wife goes out at night by herself.
2. "Hey Jude." It came in at over seven minutes. Written by Paul McCartney, it was originally titled "Hey Jules" for John Lennon's 5-year-old son Julian who was upset over his parents' divorce.
3. The Hollywood Argyles, in 1957. Astonishingly enough, the caveman song topped the Billboard Hot 100 chart.
4. The Primettes, until 1967.
5. "You're the First, the Last, My Everything," by Barry White, in 1974. The song sat for over 20 years, originally written as a country song by Peter Radcliffe, until White changed the lyrics and turned it into disco. It was originally titled "You're the First, the Last, My In-Between."

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1. What American tennis player beat France's Nicolas Mahut in the longest match ever played -- lasting 11 hours and five minutes and played over three days -- at Wimbledon in 2010?
2. What award, presented annually since 2009, honors the male or female soccer player judged to have scored the most "aesthetically significant" goal?
3. What American track and field athlete -- who appeared on Season 17 of the CBS reality series "Survivor" -- was stripped of her 2004 Athens Summer Olympics gold medal after admitting to using anabolic steroids?
4. Name the Baseball Hall of Fame pitcher -- regarded as the best knuckleballer in Major League Baseball history -- who played 24 seasons from 1964-87.
5. In April 2001, Australia defeated what national soccer team 31-0 in a FIFA World Cup qualifying match?
6. In the 1973 season, what NFL team activated offensive coordinator Zeke Bratkowski to be the emergency backup quarterback (though he did not play)?
7. Who did boxer Chuck "The Bayonne Bleeder" Wepner fight in a boxing/wrestling match at Shea Stadium in 1976?

Answers

1. John Isner.
 2. The FIFA Puskas Award.
 3. Crystal Cox.
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Kids just know how to have fun, especially on those mornings when they wake up to news of school closing due to extreme weather conditions. A day without a rushed agenda is completely theirs to create, play, read and cook!

On a recent subzero snow day, sisters Mary and Izzy Toth discovered the magical time of a free day by building a basement fort over tables and furniture and reading stories with flashlights in their cozy spaces. When time came to crawl out of their imaginative "far away" world for a snack upstairs, they decided to create their own treat.

With Grandma Mary on the sidelines, they rummaged through her kitchen and scooped uncooked oatmeal into a bowl, stirred in peanut butter until it was at a "just right consistency," added a dash of cinnamon spice, then rolled the concoction into bite-sized balls. After chilling them for a few minutes to firm them up, the girls poked toothpicks in each one, and arranged them with mandarin oranges on plates. "They came up with a pretty healthy snack without any coaching from me," said Mary.

As the girls discovered, when good peanut butter is the base, the options are endless for no-bake snacks that come together in minutes. Here's a more complex, yet easy-to-make combination of ingredients for protein energy balls with peanut butter that my friend Mary Clapp, certified nutrition coach and personal trainer, came up with for on-the-go snacking and an extra boost during her day.

I make mine with natural or vanilla whey protein powder and add unsweetened cocoa powder. She uses natural, chocolate-flavored whey protein powder. Either way, after you mix and roll them in coconut, you'll discover a tasty cookie-like treat that is full of energy-boosting ingredients.

NO-BAKE PEANUT BUTTER PROTEIN ENERGY BALLS

- Makes 20-22 energy balls
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/2 cup creamy peanut butter or almond butter
- 1/4 cup honey
- 1/2 cup uncooked steel cut oats
- 3/4 cup natural or vanilla whey protein powder
- 2 tablespoons natural unsweetened cocoa powder
- 3 tablespoons unsweetened shredded coconut



Mix all ingredients except the coconut in a bowl. Spoon coconut in a separate bowl.

Scoop a tablespoon of the mixture and roll it into a ball with your hands. Gently roll the ball in the coconut and set in a storage container. Refrigerate for 15 minutes, then serve.

Store in refrigerator. Freezes well. **Alternative Idea:** Use 3/4 cup chocolate-flavored whey protein powder in lieu of plain or vanilla and omit cocoa powder.

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VETERANS POST

by Freddy Groves

Whom to trust?

Wouldn't you get a sick feeling in the pit of your stomach if you wondered whether your treatment nurse had obtained a fake diploma?

Three owners of nursing schools in two states were found guilty, as well as several of their pals (for a total of 27 scammers), for a scheme that involved selling fake nursing diplomas they apparently got from two formerly genuine schools. Students who wanted to take the national nursing board exam could purchase from the scammers diplomas that would allow them to take the tests. The genuine schools were eventually closed because of their test failure rate. However, some applicants managed to pass the exam and used the fake documents to get jobs everywhere in the country. Over 7,000 fake diplomas were handed out.

What happens now, one wonders? Assuming there were records, will anyone go after any of the faux nurses and at least let their new employers (such as the Department of Veterans Affairs) know about the fake diplomas?

In another case, a man was sent to prison (not for long enough) for distributing over \$16 million in adulterated HIV drugs, as well as other medications, all around the country. The scammer and his pals actually set up businesses in multiple states from which they sold the corrupted drugs to wholesale drug suppliers, which then sold them to pharmacies, ensuring that the drugs were spread far and wide. The criminals had on hand enough drugs to net them at least \$25 million when sold.

In one gut-wrenching case, two nurses lied to investigators after a patient died at a VA hospital. They claimed they hadn't "paused" the patient's medication. They actually had. The patient died.

Curiously, one nurse was given only three months in the federal slammer, and the other one got six months. Even more curious, the judge gave them both until January to turn themselves in at the prison, noting the "circumstances of the offense." What on earth does that mean?

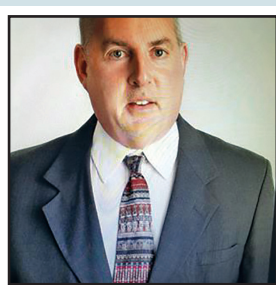
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SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

Daily Step Counting

How many daily steps do we really need for optimum health? Ten thousand steps seems to be the gold standard in most of what we read to keep diabetes and high blood pressure (as well as several other conditions) at bay. And how do we keep track of all our steps?

Before you decide on a target number of steps per day, call your medical provider and ask how many you should be doing. You might learn that with an otherwise active, healthy life, several thousand steps per day might be enough, rather than the whole 10,000.

How to count those steps is the tricky part. I have several of those little clip-on step counters, and unfortunately, they all come up with different results. I have no way of knowing which are accurate.

There is a popular tracker called Fitbit, a fancy step counter that looks like a watch. Each model has pros and cons, per thousands of online reviews. Some do more than just count steps; they also keep tabs on your location with GPS, your pace and how far you've walked, your sleep profile, your heart rate and your stress level. They can be pricey, especially if you want to unlock all the features and sign up for Fitbit Premium to see all your data on the dashboard.

Your best bet is to Google "best step counters for seniors" and wade through a few dozen choices. You'll find Apple Watch, 3DTriSport Walking 3D Pedometer, Garmin Vivofit 4 activity tracker and so many more. If you have a subscription to Consumer Reports, check their reviews on activity trackers for seniors.

Before you opt for an expensive tracker, visit a store where they are sold and try them out. A watch font might be too tiny to read, or a clip-on might not stay clipped on.

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Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

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* And speaking of scent, the Odeuropa research project has created an online encyclopedia dedicated to the history of smells.

* Vomitoriums in ancient Rome weren't actually spaces for gastronomic feasting and purging, but an architectural feature in stadiums that allowed for more efficient crowd exits.

* Null Island gets its curious moniker from its coordinates: zero degrees latitude and zero degrees longitude. It also doesn't exist, but is the result of a common error in GIS data.

* ChatGPT can easily be convinced it's wrong, even when it's right.

* Irving Berlin dedicated all royalties from "God Bless America" to a fund of the same name, specifically for the benefit of such youth organizations as the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts in New York City. To date, more than \$10 million has been raised.

* Researchers at Dublin City University found that soccer goalkeepers process both visual and auditory cues more efficiently than other players, as well as non-players, which could be the clue to their speedy reactions during games.

* By 2027, Sweden plans to boast a city made entirely of wood.

* The last U.S. conviction for blasphemy went to atheist activist Charles Lee Smith in 1928, after he rented a Little Rock, Arkansas, storefront and put a sign in the window reading: "Evolution Is True. The Bible's a Lie. God's a Ghost." Because, as an atheist, he couldn't swear the court's usual oath to tell the truth, he also couldn't testify in his own defense.

Thought for the Day: "If people are doubting how far you can go, go so far that you can't hear them anymore." --Michele Ruiz

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The Best Bread Pudding

When it comes to easy recipes this Bread Pudding couldn't get any simpler. Filled with cinnamon and nutmeg this makes the perfect breakfast or dessert recipe.



Ingredients

- 1 16 oz loaf French bread
- 5 eggs
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 1/2 cup milk
- 1 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 2 tsp vanilla
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp nutmeg
- Sauce:
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1 Tbs flour
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 4 Tbs butter
- 1 tsp vanilla

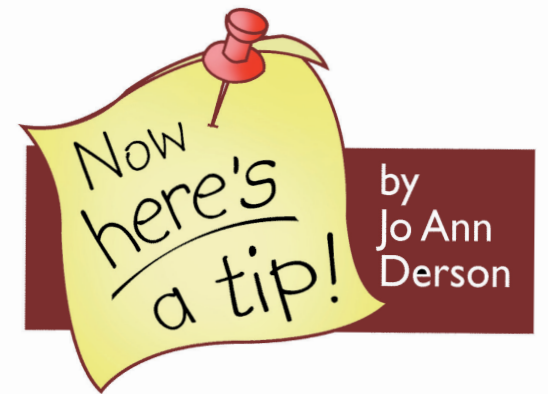
Instructions

Preheat oven to 350.
Spray a 9"x13" baking dish with non-stick cooking spray.
Cut bread into 1"-2" squares and add to large bowl.
In another bowl whisk together your milk, cream, eggs, sugar, vanilla, cinnamon and nutmeg until combined.
Pour over bread and stir gently to coat, let soak for about 20 minutes.
Spread into baking dish and bake in oven for about 50-60 minutes until center is set.
In saucepan whisk together sugar, flour and heavy cream until combined.
Add in your butter and heat on medium until butter melts and liquid starts to boil.
Whisk until thickened slightly then remove from heat and stir in vanilla.

SALES
This Week!



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* Store an apple or two with your potatoes to keep them from sprouting. Be sure to check them often.

* Cut cotton pads in half to double your supply. They are typically big enough for two uses, and you can always use two halves if you need a whole.

* "Make a cream lipstick last longer and stay cleaner by using a makeup brush to apply. Your skin picks up more of the lipstick than necessary, one reason why we blot our lips afterward. But the brush uses only what you need. And there's less bacteria transfer." -- Y.R. in Massachusetts

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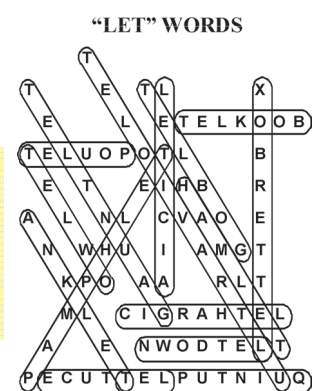
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