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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The cooperation that you request could come at too high of a price. Since few can beat the Bovine at being clever and resourceful, why not see what you can do on your own?

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Aspects favor a quieter time to get closer to the people who are especially important to you. There's always much more to learn and appreciate about each other.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The concerned Crab will act to resolve workplace misunderstandings before they get out of hand and cause serious problems. Co-workers rally to support your efforts.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) What the Big Cat might see as a disturbing act of disloyalty might just be a failure of communication on both sides. Take time for mediation rather than confrontation.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Be more patient with those who seem unwilling to accept your version of what's right. The fact is, there's a lot more to learn on all sides of this issue.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) It should be easier for you to assess the facts and make an important decision. But don't commit if you still have doubts. There could be more you need to know.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your excitement level remains high as you continue working on a new project. Expect some setbacks, but on the whole, all will move pretty much on schedule.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) It might be wise to be more prudent with expenses right now. But your financial situation should soon clear up, and you could be back shopping as happily as ever.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You might prefer sticking with your current schedule, but some newly emerging information could persuade you to consider a change. Keep an open mind.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You might want to reject a suggested change, but it could be wise to go with the flow, at least for a while. You can always return to your first plan if you like.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're bolstered by both the practical and poetic sides of your nature as you maneuver some unsettled emotional situations. Things ease up by week's end.

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Shimeah (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. In Joshua 10, which people were killed by great stones cast down from heaven? Amorites, Samaritans, Canaanites, Nazarenes

3. From Genesis 2:24, what phrase describes the marriage of a man and a woman? Holy matrimony, God's reward, One flesh, Today forever

4. Which insect is mentioned in the book of James as an eater of garments? Gnat, Hornet, Ant, Moth

5. What king of Bashan had an iron bed thirteen and a half feet long? Edrei, Og, Argob, Senir

6. On which day of creation was the sun made? First, Second, Third, Fourth

ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Amorites, 3) One flesh, 4) Moth, 5) Og, 6) Fourth

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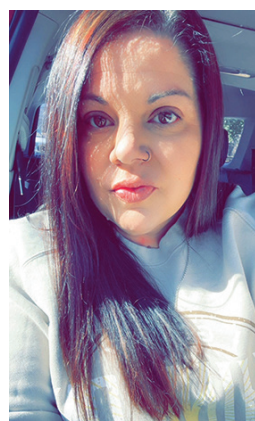
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- 2nd - Groundhog Day
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I REALLY SHOULD ADD A LID TO MY LIST.

CANDY
FOR ME, HUGO?
NOT TILL VALENTINE'S DAY
I'LL TAKE IT NOW
LOOK WHAT HUGO SAVE ME FOR VALENTINE'S DAY, ISN'T HE SWEET?

THE SPATS
I SHOULD BE WEARING SCUBA GEAR...
...BECAUSE I'M IN DEEP.

Weekly SUDOKU
by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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HOCUS-FOCUS
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

King Crossword

ACROSS

- Pt. of a sentence
- Skirt edge
- Some GIs
- Nest setting
- Commotion
- Inter —
- Admin. aide
- Prepared
- Fake fireplace fixture
- Baker Street sleuth
- Competent
- Roman 151
- Started
- Editor Wintour
- Prior night
- Wrap up by
- Martini ingredient
- Painter Chagall
- Coexisted
- Chinese chairman
- "Not so fast!"
- Pub game fodder
- Honor
- Matured
- Jazzy James
- Robert of "The Sopranos"
- Census stat
- Winter fall
- Suffix with song or gab

DOWN

- Men-only
- Major
- Porgy's love
- Air travel
- Negotiating a price
- Tokyo, once
- Closet invader
- Spanish dish
- Pink wading bird
- Funny — (2003 Derby winner)
- Utters
- Sinbad's bird
- Slender
- woodwind
- Jewel
- Eggs
- Little home wreckers?
- Amassed
- Diarist Anais
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- New Mexico resort
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- Pre-weekend yell
- Actor's quest
- Driver of "Logan Lucky"
- Sicilian peak
- Thames town
- Gulleets
- Conceit

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Trivia test

- by Fifi Rodriguez
- MOVIES:** Which movie has the tagline, "May the odds be ever in your favor"?
 - GEOGRAPHY:** Which country possesses Baffin Island?
 - AD SLOGANS:** Which company's slogan is, "You're in good hands"?
 - LANGUAGE:** What is a common saying for the Latin phrase "lapsus linguae"?
 - MUSIC:** What country was home to reggae singer Bob Marley?
 - ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is an example of a macropod?
 - TELEVISION:** Gordon, Percy, James, Toby and Emily are characters on which children's show?
 - MATH:** What is 1/60 of a degree?
 - LITERATURE:** Who wrote the book series "The Chronicles of Narnia"?
 - ACRONYMS:** What does the acronym SPFF stand for?
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1. "The Hunger Games"; 2. Canada; 3. Allstate; 4. A slip of the tongue; 5. Jamaica; 6. Kangaroo; 7. "Thomas the Tank Engine"; 8. A minute; 9. C.S. Lewis; 10. Sun Protection Factor.

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February 1, 2024 By Paulette Dean

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them. Positive interaction with animals will, hopefully, lead to understanding that animals have feelings. Empathy takes that one step higher to actually caring that animals have feelings. I have a precious memory of my father helping a baby bird. When we were teenagers, we had moved to Danville and into a house with a basement and window wells. A baby bird had fallen into a window well and the mother bird nervously stood watch. My father put a broom down into the well and I heard him say, "Come on, little one, I'm trying to help you. Come on, little bird." Finally, the baby bird did figure it out and hopped up on the broom to get to his mother. In the world today, empathy in large measure is lacking and all too often the weakest members of society are the victims, including animals.

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By Terry and Kim Kovel

Advertising Icons

Silhouettes and profile images date to ancient times. Usually limited to the head and shoulders, the shape is a filled solid color attached to a high-contrast background. Featureless, but easily recognizable, they offer fast identification.

Silhouettes were at their peak of popularity in the late 18th century as an inexpensive way to create a portrait miniature. Cutting a person's likeness from paper was the simplest and most economical way to document their image. They have been used on coins since ancient times and still are today. Because they are used on currency, some of the most recognizable silhouettes in the United States are former presidents.

Can you recognize any in this framed set? George Washington is in the center, of course, surrounded by the next 16 presidents. This set was made about 1870 and sold for \$2,688 at an auction by Rachel Davis Fine Arts.

Q: A while back I saw on Google that someone found a picture believed to be of Billy the Kid! I have an early photo in which the person looks identical. Billy the Kid is standing between two other men. How can I find out if it's authentic?

A: Billy the Kid (1859-1881) was a notorious outlaw who was born in New York and later moved west. He was part of a gang of cattle rustlers in New Mexico and killed several people in Arizona Territory and New Mexico Territory while evading the law. His crimes were written about in some of the newspapers of the time. Several movies and TV shows have been made about him. Billy the Kid's given name was Henry McCarty. He began using the name William H. Bonney in 1877. Supposedly there is only one known photo of Billy the Kid. An authentic photo could sell for several hundred to thousands of dollars or more, especially if the other people in the photo can be identified. The photo needs to be seen by an expert to authenticate it.



Silhouettes became popular as an inexpensive way to create a portrait. Today, antique silhouettes of famous figures sell for high prices.

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Danville Transit unveils Black history bus wrap



To commemorate Black History Month, the Danville Transit System today unveiled a bus wrap that honors local African American figures, featuring images of 13 notable individuals who live in Danville or have lived in the city.

Unlike the transit system's previous Black history bus wraps, which honored local, state, and national figures, this wrap features local figures only.

"This bus wrap serves as a moving canvas, adorned with images of these remarkable individuals who have left an indelible mark on Danville, both in their lifetimes and through their enduring legacies," said Mayor Alonzo Jones at a ceremony today to unveil the wrap. "These individuals have not only shaped our community but have also inspired generations with their resilience, leadership, and unwavering commitment to progress. Each figure encapsulates the spirit of excellence and determination that defines our city. Their stories remind us of the boundless potential that exists within each one of us."

The bus wrap pays tribute to the following individuals:

Carrie Ashe – A respected educator, Ashe worked for 32 years in the Danville Public Schools. She also served on the Danville Community College Board and was appointed to serve several terms on the DCC President's Advisory Panel on Black Concerns.

Norma Brower – A dedicated community advocate, Brower worked as the housing and development specialist in the City of Danville's Community Development Department. She also served as vice president of the Danville branch of the NAACP before her death in July 2021.

Dr. C.B. Claiborne – A Danville native, where he attended John Langston High School, he was a college professor and trailblazing basketball player. Claiborne was the first African American to play for the Duke University men's basketball team, first joining the varsity squad for the 1966-67 season.

Judy Fallen – A devoted advocate in the Camp Grove community, Fallen is employed at the City of Danville Parks and Recreation Department at Camp Grove Recreation Center. At the center, she continues to provide a safe place for youth to learn and grow and has become an honorary family member to many that have come through Camp Grove.

C.G. Hairston Sr. – A successful entrepreneur, Hairston started his business endeavors in the used car industry in 1955, and he then obtained two new car franchises, the first in 1966, which was with FIAT of Italy, and another in 1970, Volvo of Sweden. He was one of the first Black Americans to do business with either of these two car companies. He also started Hairston Oil Co. and a chain of gas stations called Hamoco. In 1983, he purchased WDVA-1250 AM and developed a gospel radio format. Hairston died in January 2020.

Dr. Zachary Hairston – An esteemed dentist for more than 40 years, Dr. Hairston was honored in 2023 by the Danville Redevelopment and Housing Authority with the naming of its inaugural scholarship in his honor. He served as chairman of the board for First State Bank and is currently a board member for Movement Bank.

Charles Harris – Danville's first black mayor, serving from 1980 to 1984 and a City Council member from 1968 to 1988, Harris had a 36-year tenure at First State Bank in Danville, progressing from teller to vice president and trust officer. Harris died in May 1988.

Xelia Hickson – A respected educator, business owner, and community leader, Hickson taught choral music at George Washington High School for 37 years. She was director and a founding member of the Danville Interdenominational Choir. She served on numerous advisory boards and carried out ministerial duties at Vance Street Baptist Church before her death in November 2023.

Shelby Irving – The first female firefighter in Danville, Irving became the first African American chief officer, and is currently the highest-ranking African American officer in the fire department. In 2022, she was honored as the Woman of the Year by the NAACP.

Harry Johnson – A legendary basketball coach, Johnson coached the George Washington High School boys' team for 19 years and led them to a state championship in 1996. Described by many as a father figure, his work in the community and with his players away from the court is unmatched. He passed away in February 2020.

Bishop A.R. Linder – A dedicated community advocate who has served in the Danville Ministerial Alliance, Linder is the senior pastor at Mt. Sinai Glorious Church of God, a congregation he has served for the last 53 years.

Doris Wilson – A respected educator, Wilson worked as a history teacher at Langston High School and George Washington High School, where she became assistant principal. She loved teaching and built relationships with her students, and despite the initial struggle that integration posed, rarely had problems in her classroom because she respected her students, and they respected her.

Kirby Wright – Owner and CEO of Negril Inc., specializing in quality care for individuals with intellectual disabilities, Wright spent 37 years in Pittsylvania County schools as the director of alternative education before joining Danville Community College. He also owns and operates W&W Luxury Limousine Service.

The Transportation Advisory Committee selected the images for the bus wrap, which will be shown on both sides of a transit vehicle. The vehicle with the new Black history bus wrap will be placed on different fixed-route bus runs. This bus can be viewed at Danville's Transfer Center, which is located at 515 Spring St., during scheduled service breaks at 10 a.m. and 3:15 p.m., Monday through Saturday.



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Danville Kiwanis Club Guest Speaker



At their February 1, 2024 Danville Kiwanis Club meeting, members heard from Cardiologist Dr. David Katlava who mentioned that heart problems globally are on the rise. Dr. Katlava stressed lifestyle choices and exercise that play a fundamental role in avoiding a heart attack. For example, a five-day exercise regiment should include 40 minutes of sustained exercise per outing. Audience questions ranged from food guidelines, alcohol consumption and medications as remedies for heart ailments. Dr. Katlava suggested that nuts and sea foods are good food choices and the admonition to avoid foods loaded with sugar. To the right of Dr. Katlava is Lawrence Meder who chairs the Program Committee for the Danville Kiwanis Club. For Kiwanis Club membership information, contact Lawrence Meder at either tiger3@aol.com or call him at 636-448-6159.

DPS ANNOUNCES TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

Each year, Danville Public Schools (DPS) teachers at each school select a colleague to recognize for outstanding work in the classroom and in the school community. This year's Teachers of the Year have been selected and will be honored at a ceremony in April. The division's Teachers of the Year for 2024-25 are as follows:

- Lindsay Allen, Grove Park Preschool
- Zee Clark, Northside Preschool
- LaWanda Castle, E.A. Gibson Elementary
- Crystal Boyd, Forest Hills Elementary
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- Briana Kirk, Park Avenue Elementary
- Autumn Patty, Schoolfield Elementary
- Faye Moorman, Woodberry Hills Elementary
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- Trey Wilson, O.T. Bonner Middle
- Tiana Galloway, Westwood Middle
- Michelle Guzman, Galileo Magnet High
- Ann Anderson, George Washington High
- April Schill-Booth, I.W. Taylor Virtual Academy
- Christine Irving, R.I.S.E. Academy
- Brian Patty, W.W. Moore Education Program

From these candidates, DPS will also submit a nomination for the 2025 Mary V. Bicouvaris Virginia Teacher of the Year award.

Each day, our teachers work to shape the city's youth academically, socially, and emotionally. DPS acknowledges and appreciates our teachers in their dedication to their profession and our students as we continue to ensure student success.

Danville Kiwanis Club Student of the Month



At their February 1, 2024 meeting, Kiwanians recognized Jeiden Gutierrez as the Student of the Month. Jeiden is an 8th grader at Bonner Elementary School who maintains a 4-point grade point average and has one absence from school. Jeiden's favorite subject is math and his hobbies are reading and video games. He is undecided as to where to go to college or a field of study. Pictured with Jeiden Gutierrez is Tommy Dodson who chairs the Youth Services Committee for the Danville Kiwanis Club organization.

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Robert "Bob" Lynn Newcomb

November 6, 1944 ~ January 30, 2024 (age 79)



Robert (Bob) Lynn Newcomb, age 79, of Bassett, Virginia, previously from Danville, passed away on Tuesday, January 30, 2024 at Moses Cone Hospital.

Mr. Newcomb was born on November 6, 1944 in Halifax, Virginia. He was the son of the late Arthur Briggs Newcomb and Hallie Ferguson Newcomb.

Mr. Newcomb was an Army Private, completing his basic training in Fort Campbell, KY. There he earned the highest mark a soldier could achieve in his rifle qualification test, firing expert with M-14 rifle. He started his career as a Trooper for the Virginia State Police. Mr. Newcomb later became a Coordinator for Virginia Highway Safety Division, and finally retiring as a Truck Driver where he worked for various companies. He also was a 32nd degree Master Mason.

Mr. Newcomb was of Baptist Faith and attended Fort Trial Baptist Church in Bassett, VA.

He is survived by his wife, Judy Stone Newcomb. Besides his wife, he is survived by his daughter Michele Lakey (Richie) of Yanceyville, NC, his grandchildren; Zachary Lakey (Emily), Tyler Lakey (Jewel) and great-grandchildren; Cameron, Waylon and River Lakey, his son Jeffrey Newcomb (Barbara) of Blairs, VA, his grandchildren; Haley Ann Newcomb and Coy Briggs Newcomb, his daughter Stephanie Ausherman (Ricky) of York, SC, his grandchildren; Andrew B. Penley, Matthew R Penley (Brooke), Justin Ausherman (Amber), and Amanda Ausherman, and great grandchildren, Carter L. Ausherman, and Kasen A. Dinger and Stepson Greg Johnson (Deanna) of Bassett, VA., his step-grandchildren; Greg Johnson Jr, Kimber and Tesha. Mr. Newcomb is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and cousins that he loved dearly.

One of his greatest joys was to be called "Grandfather". He was truly blessed.

Mr. Newcomb was predeceased by his siblings, Arthur (Sonny) Newcomb, Virginia Taylor, Barbara Wells, Sarah Yeatts, Marie Taylor, and Eunice Newcomb.

A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, February 10, 2024 at 2:00 pm in the Chapel at Barker's Funeral Home located at 2025 North Main Street, Danville, VA, with Pastor Tony Beach officiating.

In Lieu of Flowers, donations can be made to Bassett Rescue Squad, 1950 Riverside Drive, Bassett, VA 24055.

I would like to thank the Doctors, Nurses, and Staff at Moses Cone Hospital in Greensboro, NC for the care they gave to our father and the concern and kindness they showed to our family during this most difficult time.

Ellen Scearce Long

January 25, 1922 ~ January 31, 2024 (age 102)



Ellen Scearce Long, age 102 of Danville, Virginia passed away on Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at her residence.

Ms. Long was born on January 25, 1922 in Danville, Virginia to the late Arthur Edward Scearce and Jennie Lee Hoider Scearce.

Ms. Long loved flowers, butterflies, and dogs; she especially loved the Lord. She worked for Dan River Mills until her retirement and was a member of Sandy Shore Baptist Church.

Ms. Long is survived by her daughter, Joyce Luffman (Bryce) of Danville; sons, Jimmy Long (Donna) of Danville, Louis Long (Marion) of Christiansburg; 9 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; 17 great-great grandchildren; and 15 great-great-great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Alton E. Long; son, Larry Long; brothers, Jack Scearce, Jessie Scearce; sisters, Cora Mills, and Bessie Kirks.

Funeral services will be conducted on Friday February 2, 2024 at 1:00pm at Swicegood Funeral Home with Reverend Eric Clark officiating. Visitation will be held Thursday evening 5-7pm at the funeral home. At other times the family will receive friends at 250 Westwood Drive. Interment will follow at Danville Memorial Gardens.

Swicegood Funeral Service is respectfully serving the Long family.

Clarence Harold Davis Jr.

January 28, 1944 ~ February 5, 2024 (age 80)

Mr. Clarence Harold Davis Jr., age 80, of Danville, Virginia passed away on Monday, February 5, 2024 at Sovah Health.

Mr. Davis was born on January 28, 1944 in Danville, Virginia to the late Clarence Harold Davis Sr. and Maude Hyler Davis.

Mr. Davis spent most of his life in the Danville area where he worked in maintenance for Dimon Inc. until his retirement.

Mr. Davis is survived by his son, Brandon Davis (Amanda); daughter, Kelly Wright; grandsons, Jackson Wade (Mckenzie Barber) and Ryan Wright; sister, Dolores Moore; nephews, Billy Moore, Robert Denny and Daniel Walker; niece, Anne Worley (Raymond); sister-in-law, Rhonda Smith (Howard); brother-in-law, Randy Denny (Cathy); special friends, Andy Lowery, Rudy Robinson and Larry Estes.

In addition to his parents, he is predeceased by his wife, Linda Joyce Denny Davis.

Funeral services will be conducted on Thursday February 8, 2024 at 11am at Swicegood Funeral Home. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the funeral. Interment will follow at Danville Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made to St. Jude's Hospital at 262 Danny Thomas Pl, Memphis, TN 38105.

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2. "Here Comes the Sun" was released on which Beatles album?
3. Name the amusement park dedicated to rock that existed for a short time near Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.
4. What was the name of Del Shannon's only No. 1 hit?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "While she lays sleeping, I stay out late at night and play my songs."

Answers

1. "Music Box Dancer," first released in 1978. Ray Conniff added it to his "I Will Survive" album in 1979.
2. "Abbey Road," in 1969. George Harrison wrote the song while hiding out at Eric Clapton's house to avoid a meeting.
3. Hard Rock Park. It opened ... and closed ... in 2008. The 50-acre site had a Hang Ten roller coaster, a Moody Blues theme ride and more. When it folded, the new owners reopened but only managed to keep it going for one season.
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by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD — Former exercise guru **Richard Simmons** has kept a low profile for the last five years, but came out of hiding to denounce a proposed film starring comic **Pauly Shore** as Simmons.

"Hi, everybody!" wrote Simmons on a Facebook post. "You may have heard they may be doing a movie about me with Pauly Shore. I have never given my permission for this movie. So don't believe everything you read. I no longer have a manager, and I no longer have a publicist. I just try to live a quiet life and be peaceful. Thank you for all your love and support!"

Unfortunately for Simmons, they don't need his permission to make a movie about him. Celebrities are considered public domain. Now should the filmmakers defame or malign you, then you have recourse to sue. But he's got another problem besides the feature film rumored to be in development. A short film starring Shore as Simmons, titled "The Court Jester," already premiered at the Sundance Film Festival on Jan. 19 and is available on YouTube.

Sad news for Barbra Streisand! Her 1,000-page memoir has — dare we say? — flopped! Despite prime interviews everywhere, "My Name Is Barbra" sold little over 200,000 copies, while **Prince Harry's** book, "Spare," sold 3.2 million copies across all formats. **Britney Spears'** memoir, "The Woman in Me," sold 1.1 million copies.

In addition, Streisand's film company, Barwood Films, may be in hot water because they paid her groundskeeper \$200,000, which allegedly came from the Paycheck Protection Program. The program was intended to help small businesses make payroll in 2020 and 2021, and the loans were written off by the federal government.

You knew there would be a threequel in the "Top Gun" franchise after the \$1.5 billion grosses of "Maverick." **Ehren Kruger** is writing a screenplay that would bring back **Miles Teller** and **Glen Powell**. This explains why **Tom Cruise's** recent move to Warner Bros. was "nonexclusive," leaving the door open for his return to Paramount



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Richard Simmons in 2013

for the "Maverick" sequel.

Meanwhile, Teller has the Apple TV+ romantic-action film "The Gorge" with **Anya Taylor-Joy** and **Sigourney Weaver** coming soon. Powell has the \$200-million disaster film "Twisters" with **Daisy Edgar-Jones** and **Anthony Ramos** due in theaters on July 19.

Pedro Pascal, the busiest actor in Hollywood, has "Drive-Away Dolls" coming Feb. 23; "Gladiator 2" on Nov. 22; "The Uninvited" sometime in March; plus the drama "Freaky Tales" and the thriller "Tropico" with **Willem Dafoe** on his vision board for 2024! No release dates yet for the last two.

Jennifer Coolidge, who took home Emmys two years in a row for "The White Lotus" (her winning streak is over now since she was killed off), is headed for the big screen with **Jason Momoa** and **Jack Black** for the film adaptation of the popular video game "Minecraft."

Those of us who loved her and never missed her in the CBS series "2 Broke Girls" knew Coolidge was destined for bigger things. And a "Broke Girl" she is not!

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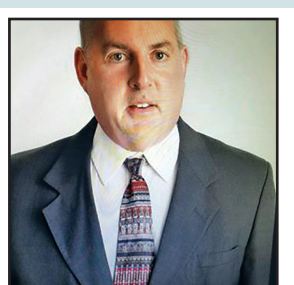
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By Lucie Winborne

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- * The Sullivan Ordinance of 1908 in New York City aimed to prohibit women from smoking in public places, sparking not just widespread debate about women's rights, but marking a symbolic battleground for female activists dedicated to gender equality. The law was vetoed by Mayor George B. McClellan Jr. just two weeks later.
- * A study of over 10 million births revealed that children are 4.6% more likely to be born in the same month as their mothers.
- * When Kentucky Fried Chicken expanded its operations to China in the 1980s, the food chain's iconic slogan -- "It's finger-lickin' good!" -- was mistakenly, if amusingly, translated in Mandarin to "Eat your fingers off."
- * King Charles III was the first British royal to go to a traditional school.
- * During the Napoleonic campaigns in the early 19th century, French soldiers observed an odd condition among many local Egyptian men, who reported blood in their urine, leading to the misnomer label "the land of the menstruating men." The actual cause was the parasitic disease schistosomiasis.
- * Some scientists make a habit of consuming the organisms they study, a practice that dates to Charles Darwin's sampling of exotic animals such as pumas and iguanas during his voyages.

- * The word "gymnastics" comes from the ancient Greek "gymnazein," meaning "to exercise naked."
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Thought for the Day: "It's no use going back to yesterday, because I was a different person then."
-- Lewis Carroll

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Football Casserole

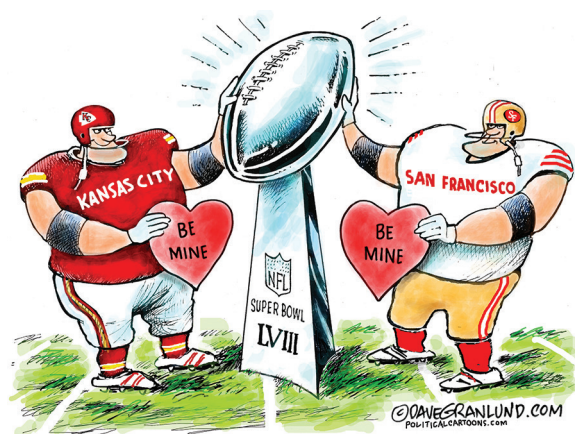
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- 4 chicken breasts, boneless and skinless, cubed
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste
- 1 (1-ounce) packet taco seasoning
- 1 cup canned cream of chicken soup
- 1 cup canned cheddar cheese soup
- 1 (10-ounce) can diced tomatoes with green chilies
- 1 (16-ounce) bag Mexican-style four cheese blend, shredded, divided
- 1 (15-ounce) can black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1/4 cup fresh cilantro, chopped, plus more, to taste, for garnish
- 6 cups tortilla chips, lightly crushed

Directions

- Step 1 - Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.
- Step 2 - Grease a cast-iron skillet.
- Step 3 - Heat a large skillet over medium-high heat.
- Step 4 - In a large bowl, add the cubed chicken, the oil, the salt, the pepper, and the taco seasoning and toss to combine.
- Step 5 - Pour the coated chicken pieces into the heated skillet and cook, flipping occasionally, until they reach an internal temperature of 165 degrees F and the juices run clear, about 7-10 minutes.
- Step 6 - Place the cooked chicken pieces on a plate.
- Step 7 - In a second large bowl, add the cream of chicken soup, the cheddar cheese soup, the tomatoes with green chilies and their juices, 3/4 of the cheese, the black beans, 1/4 cup of the cilantro and stir to combine.
- Step 8 - Add the cooked chicken to the soup mixture and stir to combine.
- Step 9 - Spread 1/3 of the crushed chips into the prepared cast-iron and top with 1/2 of the chicken mixture. Repeat the layers once, using 1/2 of the remaining crushed chips and the remaining chicken mixture.
- Step 10 - Sprinkle the casserole with the remaining crushed chips and the remaining cheese.
- Step 11 - Bake the casserole until it is hot, bubbly, and melted, about 20-25 minutes.
- Step 12 - Serve the casserole garnished with the extra cilantro.



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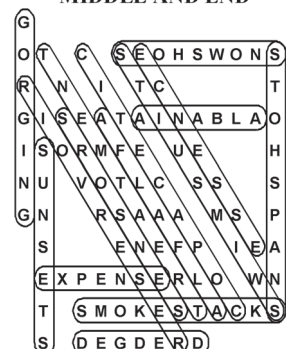
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- 6. Parson, Person
- 7. Leash, Lease
- 8. Moore, Moose
- 9. Fumble, Mumble
- 10. Glass, Grass