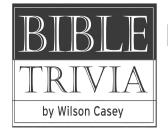




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1. Is the book of 3 Corinthians (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. Who was praised for his beauty "from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head"? Absalom, Elisha, Pekah, Tola

3. What camp saw 185,000 of its soldiers slaughtered by an angel of the Lord? Assyrian, Midianite, Philistine, Persian

4. From Genesis 1:30, what is the first color mentioned in the Bible? Purple, Red, Green, Yellow

5. Which city's wall fell down flat at the shout of Joshua's army? Tarsus, Jericho, Corinth, Sardis

6. From 2 Kings, who became king of Judah at age 8? Abijam, Rehoboam, Marcus, Josiah

ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Absalom, 3) Assyrian, 4) Green, 5) Jericho, 6) Josiah

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## Holidays

15th - Taxes Due 22nd - Earth Day

## Community Events

Free Community Lunch!! EVERY Thursday from 11-2pm at Gospel Worship Center. 3480 West Main Street. Danville. All Welcome!

Inside Yard Sale Elks Club Lodge 227, 560 Main Street on May 18th, 6:30am-Until. \$10 Per Table. Collectibles, Vintage, Coins, Antiques and More! CONCESSIONS ALSO FROM 9:00 AM-12:00 PM TOUR OF BUILDING \$5:00 WITH AN ELK MEMBER: FREE DRAWING FOR AT TENDEES: ANTIQUE EGG CHAIR: CORDIAL INVI-TATION EXTENDED FOR NEW MEMBERS TO THE ELKS. Call 434-709-4212 or 434-441-8430 or email kittyalderson1@gmail.com for Lots More Details!

Resource Fair. April 18, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Community Market. FREE. Resources for seniors, document shredding, information sessions. (434) 799-5216

Bachelors Hall Fire & Rescue Department Auxiliary is having a Spaghetti Fundraiser on April 13th from 5pm-7pm. Meal Includes Spaghetti, Salad, Toast, Dessert & Drink. Take-out Available. \$12 for Adults and \$6 for Children (10 and below). 1301 Berry Hill Road. For More Info Call Ann

Fill the Bus. Oakland Community Church is Excited to Join with Friends in the Community to Fill Our Bus with Supplies for House of Hope. Requested Items: Cleaning Supplies, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Dishwashing Soap, Laundry Detergent, Coffee. Sugar.

Donations can be Dropped off at Oakland, 180 Snakepath Rd. Blairs, between 10 AM and 2 PM on April 20th. You are also welcomed to join us for a free hot dog lunch at 11 AM. (434) 432-0257 oaklandcc180@gmail.com



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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Rumors of a change in the workplace could make you a mite uneasy about going ahead with implementing your ideas. Best advice: Ignore the talk and proceed as planned.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Everyone has an opinion on how to handle a recent business suggestion. Thank them for their advice, then go ahead and follow your own fine instincts.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) While home is your main focus this week, new issues in the workplace need your attention as well. Take things step by step. Pressures will ease in time for weekend fun.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Be less rigid when handling a relationship problem. You might believe you're in the right, but try to open your mind up to the possibilities of facts that you're currently unaware of.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Leos and Leonas run at a hectic pace throughout much of the week. But by the 22nd, the Lions' dens become a "purrfect" place for you Fine Felines to relax in over the weekend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Change is favored early in the week. This should make it easier for you to reassess your plans for handling a troubling professional relationship. Good luck!

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A suggestion from a colleague could give your professional project a long-needed boost. Meanwhile, someone close to you still needs your emotional support.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Before complying with a colleague's request, check to see that the action benefits all, not just one person's agenda. Continue firming up any travel plans.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your social life is on the upswing, and the only problem is deciding which invitations to accept. Enjoy yourself before settling down for some serious work next week.

CAPRICORN (December to January 19) With your creative aspects on high, you might want to restart your work on a project that you put aside. Your efforts will bring a surge in your self-esteem.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) While you're generous with others, be sure that you're not overlooking your own needs. Take time to assess your situation and make adjustments where necessary.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Being applauded for your achievements is great, but watch out that you don't start acting like a star. It could lose you valuable support with your next project.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your strong belief in justice along with your leadership qualities help you protect the rights of others.

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# Relax, we'll do the housework.





Revival at Brush Arbor Baptist. Please Join Us for Revival at Brush Arbor Baptist Church April 21-25 with Dr Phil Stringer. In his Ministry he has Preached in 49 States and 24 Countries around the World. Service Times- Sunday SS 10AM Services 11AM & 6PM, Mon-Wed 7PM. 1643 Blair Loop Road, Danville (off Westover) www.brusharborbaptist.org Pastor Jim Curran (434) 822-1328

Free Community Hotdog Lunch! Saturday April 20th, 12-3pm at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 1172 Franklin Tpke. Bonus-Large Selection of Free Books Available at Little Free Library Container on driveway. All Welcome!!

Join Us on April 13, at 10:00AM Cherrystone Missionary Baptist Association One Day Session will be held at the Cherrystone center, 5551Tom Fork Rd Ringgold, Va. Registration begins at 9:30 AM.

Join Us April 16-18 at 7:00 PM nightly, the Cherrystone Clergy Revival will be held at the Cherrystone Missionary Baptist Association Center. 5551 Tom Fork RD. Ringgold, Va. Guest Preachers for the Revival are Pastor Braxton Braswell, Pastor Teresa Hardy, and Pastor Clarence Mc-Laughlin. Please Come Out and Join us in the Revival.

Danville Area Choral Arts Society Presents Disney Favorites. A Concert of Disney Songs for All Ages. Dr. Christopher Swanson, Director. Robert Sutter, Piano. Sunday April 14th, 3pm at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3090 N Main Street. With DACAS Ringers, Community Handheld Ensemble, Mark Gourley, Director and DACAS Children's Choir, Members of the Boys and Girls Club of Danville, Lee Anne Sheridan, Director, Admission is Free

Me checking if that salad I ate last week has worked its magic yet





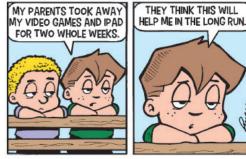
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That is not bacon, Steve. That is a Beggin' Strip. I can smell an ounce of cocaine inside a plastic bag under the spare tire in a '76 Buick Skylark from half a football field away on a windy day. You really think I can't tell the difference?

## Amber Waves



HUGO, HOW'BOUT THIS COLOR FOR

THE CLUBHOUSE

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HEY, BONNIE, HOW BOUT THIS COLOR FOR OUR CLUBHOUSE

THIS COLOR LOOKS GREAT TOME. I'LL GO GET BONNIES VOTE



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THAT COLOR? ARE YOU CRAZY !!

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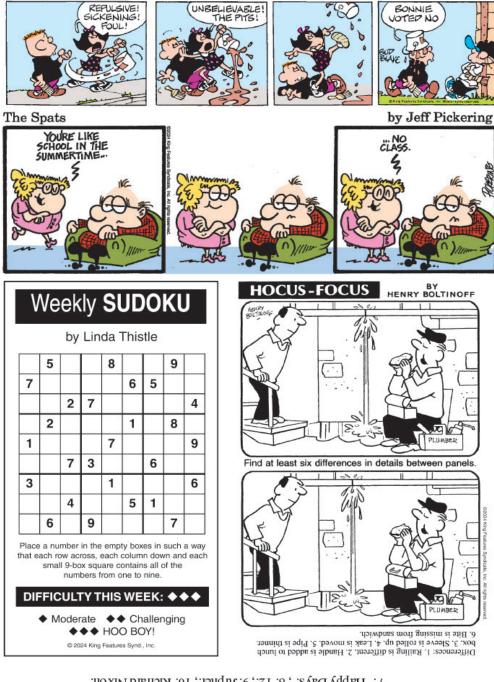
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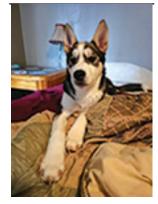
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Happy Birthday Samantha Craft on April 15th. Hope you Have a Wonderful Day! Love You, Uncle Jimmy & Little Man.

Celebration Time for Margaret Geneva Wooding 100 Years Old on April 29th. Please Celebrate with her by Sending a Card to: Margaret Wooding, 4646 Dry Ford Road, Dry Fork Va 24549. Aiming for 100 Cards!! Thank you from the family.

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# **Piedmont Pets** April 11, 2024 By Paulette Dean

On Tuesday afternoon, a woman brought six bearded dragons to release to us. They had belonged to someone she knew and that person had decided he would take them someplace and "release them."

That is abandonment. It is cruel and it is illegal. The legal definition in the Code of Virginia is "to desert, forsake, or absolutely give up an animal without having secured another owner or custodian for the animal or by failing to provide the elements of basic care (as set forth in 3.2-6503) for a period of four consecutive days."

Since bearded dragons come from deserts, they would have had a zero percent chance of surviving.

Bearded dragons are among the most popular pet reptiles. They have very specific habitat and food requirements and, although they are generally healthy





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and resilient, they do have specific health and behavioral requirements.

If you are an experienced bearded dragon owner, please consider applying to adopt one. Our adoption areas are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 12-5:30 and 12-3:30 on Saturday.

## Antiques & Collecting By Terry and Kim Kovel

## Regency style

Furniture revivals have taken place since at least the 19th century and probably earlier. New technology made earlier ornate styles easier and less expensive to make, and therefore more accessible to the average buyer. Some are difficult to distinguish from authentic pieces. If you see the word "style" in a description, it is probably a copy or revival piece, not an authentic piece from the period.

For example, this wine rack is described as "Regency style." It was made in the 20th century, not the Regency period, and it sold for \$813 at New Orleans Auction Galleries. The Regency period was from 1811 to 1820 in England, when King George III's son served as Prince Regent. The corresponding American furniture period is American Empire.

Both Regency and Empire were influenced by classical art of ancient Greece, Rome and Egypt. Mahogany was a favorite wood. This wine rack imitates mahogany with a dark stain on pine wood. The wine rack has a brass gallery on top and ring handles on the sides, features that can be seen on authentic pieces from the Regency period.

•I have an L.C. Smith type- writer, serial number is "1386874B." Are old manual typewriters worth anything?

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. Lyman C. Smith and his broth-A: ers made guns before they made typewriters. They started making a few typewriters in their gun shop after 1884. In 1887, they sold the gun business and founded Smith Premier Typewriter Co. in Syracuse, New York. It became L.C. Smith & Bros. Typewriter Co. in 1903. The company merged with Corona Typewriter Co. in 1925 to become L.C. Smith & Corona Typewriter Co. Personal computers replaced typewriters in most homes, schools and offices beginning in the 1980s. Smith-Corona no longer makes typewriters; it now makes thermal labels. The serial number on



Although it was made in the 20th century, this wine rack brings Regency style into a modern setting.

your typewriter indicates it was made in 1937. Some old typewriters are collectible and sell for a few hundred dollars. A few rare typewriters sell for more than \$1,000. Many common old typewriters sell for \$20 to \$50.

TIP: To clean furniture, dip your dusting cloth in 1/2 cup of vinegar mixed with a teaspoon of olive oil.

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#### CURRENT PRICES

Pottery jar, San Ildefonso, black matte, carved designs with inset turquoise, rounded form, Juan Tafoya, 5 1/4 x 5 3/4 inches, \$115.

Quilt, pieced, nine-patch pattern, 16 squares, each with nine yellow diamond patches, blue and yellow sawtooth border, white ground, Pennsylvania, 1910, 72 x 72 inches, \$260.

Daum dish, frog on a lily pad, pate de verre glass, irregular shape with figural frog on rim, green shaded to yellow to gold, marked Daum France, 2 3/8 x 6 x 6 inches, \$500.

Poster, travel, Meeting of the Chiefs, Native American man on horseback, rock formations in background, Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Co., copyright 1949, 18 x 24 inches, \$620.

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# by Dana Jackson

. Is Alison Sweeney going to .be starring in anymore of those cookie mystery movies on Hallmark? I read all the books, so I know there's a possibility of more movies. - H.S.

• Apparently, there are 30 Hannah • Swensen Mystery novels written by Joanne Fluke, and Alison Sweeney ("Days of Our Lives") has starred in nine adaptations of them for Hallmark. "One Bad Apple," her most recent movie, holds a special place in Sweeney's heart because she also adapted the screenplay from Fluke's book "Apple Turnover Murder." She told TVLine that she watched YouTube videos, read about how authors allocate their time and dedicated herself to writing 10 pages a day.

There was also the matter of replacing her frequent co-star Cameron Mathison ("All My Children"), who had recently inked a multipicture deal with Hallmark's competitor, Great American Media. In comes Victor Webster --- with whom Sweeney has worked before on another Hallmark movie, "The Wedding Veil Journey" - to play a new character, prosecutor Chad Norton.

"One Bad Apple: A Hannah Swensen Mystery" premiered on the Hallmark Mystery channel on April 5.

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• Is it true that they're making • a movie — not a documentary about Michael Jackson? Who is playing him? — K.K.

A . Yes, there is a movie in the works about the late King of Pop called "Michael," which is being directed by Antoine Fuqua and stars recent Oscar nominee Colman Domingo as M.J.'s father, Joe Jackson. Jaafar Jackson, son of Jermaine Jackson, has been cast in the role of his late uncle. The all-star cast also includes Miles Teller as entertainment lawyer John Branca, Nia Long as matriarch Katherine Jackson, and Larenz Tate as Berry Gordy.

According to Entertainment Weekly, the film will follow the life and career of Michael Jackson from his "early days as a member of family group the Jackson 5 through to his successes as a solo artist." It will also trace his "triumphs and tragedies as it examines both his personal struggles and his most iconic performances.

Fuqua said that he's been "blown



Alison Sweeney in "The Wedding Veil Journey"

away" by Jaafar's resemblance to his uncle: "Sounds like him, dances like him, sings. It's really uncanny."

"Michael" has a projected release date of April 2025.

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When is "The Real House-• wives of Orange County" returning, and is Vicki Gunvalson coming back? - N.N.

A.Original cast member Vicki Gunvalson won't be returning to the main squad for the 18th season of "RHOC" this summer. But she reportedly accepted an offer to return in the limited "guest" capacity status, like she agreed to last season.

There will be another "friend" returning who is also a familiar face. Alexis Bellino, who was a regular cast member from seasons five through eight, was seen filming with a couple of the ladies a few months ago. She'll bring plenty of drama to the show, since she's now dating Shannon Beador's ex-beau, John Janssen.

Since filming of "RHOC" is still continuing into April, the new season isn't expected to premiere until much later in 2024. You can check BravoTV.com for all the latest news.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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(l-r) Mark Shields, Dustin LaClair, Ryland Clark, and Drew Norris, formally announce a partnership between Hitachi Energy and the Southside Soccer Club.

Blairs, Virginia - Southside Soccer Club formerly recognized Hitachi Energy as its 2024 Spring season title sponsor on Saturday, March 29, 2024. Representing Hitachi Energy was Ryland Clark, Community Relations and Engagement Manager, and Coach Dustin LaClair, Heath, Safety, and Environment (HSE) Manager. Both work from Hitachi's South Boston plant. Greeting them were Drew Norris, Southside Soccer Club president, Mark Shields, Club Vice-President, and Bill Wiebking, Club secretary. LaClair is also a volunteer coach at the Club.

"Southside Soccer Club is dedicated to their community," Clark said. "They run a great family program that is healthy for kids and their parents. Hitachi Energy is proud to support the Club, and its outreach throughout the Southside."



# **Danville Kiwanis Club Guest Speaker**



Writer/Researcher Val-Rae Christensen was the Danville Kiwanis Club speaker at their April 4, 2024 meeting. Val-Rae is a 13-year resident of Danville and aligns herself with a group known as Friends of the Old West End. Val-Rae not only specializes in fiction about events in the 1800s, but also writes about the historic homes in the City of Danville and the people who lived in them. In addition to her own works of fiction, published under the name V.R. Christensen, Val-Rae writes for Evince, the (Friends of the Old West End) Gazette, and the Danville Register & Bee. Pictured to the left of Val-Rae is Danville Kiwanis member Suzie Lea. If interested in membership, contact Lawrence Meder at (636) 448-6159 or email him at tiger3@aol.com for Kiwanis Club membership information. Kiwanis Club meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at 6:00 p.m. with meetings held at the Averett University Student Union Building, Multi-Purpose Room.

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# Odds & Ends

## Sky Light

"It's a Bird... It's a Plane... It's Superman!" No, it was mysterious streaks of light that filled the sky above California recently. Some guessed that it was the SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket that took off from Vandenberg Space Force Base. Others guessed it was streaks of light caused by a falling space module. Whatever it was, it was, indeed, an amazing celestial event that lit up the dark night sky and provided earthlings with a lot to talk about.

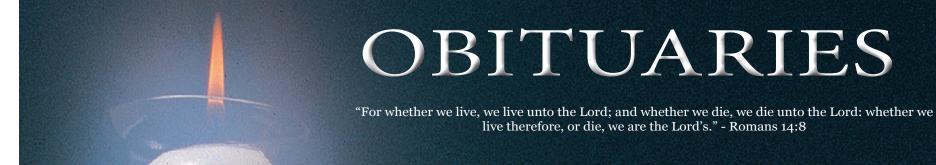
## He was caught on film

Hammerin' Hank Aaron hit his 715th home run and broke Babe Ruth's record fifty years ago on April 8, 1974 at the Atlanta–Fulton County Stadium in Atlanta, GA. He made baseball history and one, Charlie Russo, caught it all on film. The Associated Press reports that "the 81-year-old Russo is releasing his long-private footage of the moment," what he calls a truly "magical" moment.

## 'Cicada-geddon'

Some cicadas surface every 13 years; others show up every 17 years. This year, according to the entomologists, the two species are expected to join forces and show up this spring. According to the University of Connecticut, the 13-year Brood XIX -- the largest of all periodical cicada broods "will co-emerge with 17-year Brood XIII." They'll be showing up mainly in the Southeast and in Illinois. Biophysicist Saad Bhamla at Georgia Tech says "trillions of these amazing living organisms [will] come out of the Earth, climb up on trees and it's just a unique experience, a sight to behold. It's like an entire alien species living underneath our feet and then some prime number years they come out to say hello." Some experts call the event a "cicada-geddon"

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**Frances Ingram** February 6, 1931 ~ April 2, 2024 (age 93)



Frances Ingram, age 93, passed away on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at Annie Penn Hospital.

Mrs. Ingram was born on February 6, 1931, in Bassett, VA, a daughter of the late Jacob Huff and Elizabeth Montgomery Holt.

Mrs. Ingram lived most of her life in the Danville area and was married to

James Noel Ingram. She was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church. She was born to serve the Lord. Mrs. Ingram loved her God and led so many to him.

Mrs. Ingram is survived by her children, Sheila Ingram, Danny Ray Ingram (Brenda) and Bonnie Wray; grandchildren, Jason Ingram, Derek Digiovanni, Jessica Weaver (Justin); many great grandchildren and 2 great great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, her brother and two sisters, she was predeceased by her husband, James Noel Ingram; grandsons, Justin and Joshua Riggins and Hunter Kelton; and great-granddaughter, Sarah Linn Ingram.

Funeral services will be conducted on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 1:00 PM at Swicegood Funeral Home with Reverend Bob Yeaman officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the funeral. Interment will follow in Danville Memorial Gardens.

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Robert Lewis

was born on August 9, 1935, in Danville, VA, a son of the late Raleigh T. Warren and Ruby Martin Warren.

Mr. Warren lived most of his life in Washington D.C. and Danville and was employed as the maintenance director at Piney Forest Healthcare. He was married to Helen Davis Warren who predeceased him and later married Faith Cody Warren who also predeceased him. Mr. Warren served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War and was a member of American Legion Post 325. He was a member of Grace Design Methodist Church and was affiliated with the Salvation Army, Lions Club and was a 33rd Degree Mason.

Mr. Warren is survived by his step children, Jane Coyle and Brian Cody; step grandchildren, Joshua Coyle and Jamison Coyle; five step great grandchildren as well as several nieces and nephews. He is also survived by two sister-in laws, Sandra Warren (Tommy) and Nancy Warren (Ronnie).

In addition to his parents and wives, he was predeceased by his brothers, Raleigh Thomas Warren and Ronnie L. Warren.

Funeral services will be conducted on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 1:00 PM at Swicegood Funeral Home. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. Interment will follow in Danville Memorial Gardens.

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## **Sandra Kay Hyler** December 23, 1958 ~ April 6, 2024 (age 65)

December 25, 1958 ~ April 6, 2024 (age 65)

Sandra Kay Hyler, age 65, of Richmond, Virginia, took her first steps down the streets of gold on Saturday, April 6, 2024 at Johnston Willis Hospital.

She was born on December 23, 1958 in Danville, Virginia the daughter of Ernestine Hill Emerson who survives and Herman Lee Hyler who preceded her in death in 2002.

Sandra moved to Richmond in 1983 and lived there until her passing. When Sandra was about 10, she started singing gospel music and traveled from Maryland to West Virginia and the mountains. She then recorded 3 albums when she was 13. Sandra never walked here on earth but she is walking down Heavens Boulevard.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her brother, Randall Hyler and wife, Kim; niece, Alexis Hyler and by many aunts, uncles and cousins.

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Health was the second biggest concern, with loss of independence topping that list. We fear getting dementia, losing muscle strength, falling and breaking a limb, having to go into the hospital or rehab for an extended stay, catching Covid or a bad flu. This was a very long list with everyone adding comments.

Concerns about safety was surprisingly high in the rankings. We worry about crime on the streets, not being able to trust our financial advisers and that we might need to give up driving.

Other topics ranked lower, but they're concerns just the same. We worry about identity theft and not being able to recover from it if we lose money. Tied with that are concerns that we might not recognize scams. We worry about needing to ask others for help with things we used to be able to do.

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Answers



Constant Aleve and Ibuprofen Consumption Can Cause Damage

DEAR DR. ROACH: My husband, age 70, had been diagnosed with osteoarthritis in his neck, for which he would take Aleve to relieve his discomfort when needed. Just before Christmas last year, his back began hurting so much that he went to his doctor, who said to get up and move more. (We have always exercised and remained active in life, but he did slow down due to his pain.)

My husband then added ibuprofen to the Aleve he was already using. His doctor said that the pain is due to osteoarthritis in his mid-back area. Apparently, there is nothing to do for it but take Extra Strength Tylenol at the recommended dose. Ibuprofen or Aleve isn't recommended because it causes liver and kidney damage. So, we bought Tylenol, and he used this medication instead of his usual. But his pain only got worse.

So, this morning, he switched back to Aleve and ibuprofen. It is what helped before and is helping again now. In addition, he is using a drug-free Aleve Direct Therapy pad that uses waveform technology. He also uses Icy Hot pain relief cream and a heating pad. These reduce his pain, but his back continues to hurt since before the holidays.

Our question is, should he use Aleve and ibuprofen instead of the Tylenol that doesn't seem to help? He has actually used Aleve for a very long time. He just had his blood tested, and the doctor said his liver and kidneys are good. Is there anything more we can do to relieve his osteoarthritic pain? It is hard to see my husband in so much discomfort when he was previously a very active, pain-free man. -- S.F.A.

ANSWER: Osteoarthritis in the neck is a common and painful condition, and there are not always good treatment options. In terms of medicine, anti-inflammatory medicines, like Aleve or ibuprofen (Advil and many other brands), can be very helpful for some people.



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In addition to liver and kidney problems, Aleve and similar medicines can cause stomach problems, ranging from mild upset to life-threatening ulcers; though, this is uncommon with over-the-counter doses. I often recommend a trial of Tylenol to see if it is as good as the anti-inflammatories. Since it's not for your husband, he should tell his doctor this, and it seems reasonable for him to go back to taking Aleve alone. However, I can't tell you to disregard his physician's advice. Some people benefit from Tylenol on top of Aleve.

Beyond pain medicines, the Aleve Direct Therapy pad uses electricity to relieve pain without medicine. It's fine to combine this therapy with medicines. Creams -- whether they are anti-inflammatory, menthol and camphor, or topical anesthetics -- provide some relief, but they tend to be better on the hands, wrists and knees than the neck. Though, they still may be worth trying in combination with medicines.

In more severe cases, injections can be used before considering surgery.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med. cornell.edu.

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## **Bill Murray Quotes**

Whatever you do, always give 100%. Unless you're donating blood.

Common sense is like deodorant. The people who need it most never use it.

Just beat my record for most consecutive days without dying.

Friendship is so weird. You just pick a human you've met and you're like, 'Yep, I like this one,' and you just do stuff with them.

Disneyland. The world's biggest people trap, built by a mouse.

I'm not an alcoholic, I only drink two times a year. When it's my birthday, and when it's not my birthday.

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1. Name the non-Beatle musician credited on "Get Back."

2. Which group released "Long Lonely Nights"?

3. Name the Vikki Carr worldwide hit that was a translation from the original French version.

4. Which group was the first to

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5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "I stood on this corner, waiting for you to come along, So my heart could feel satisfied."

#### Answers

1. Billy Preston, in 1969. The citation reads "The Beatles with Billy Preston." Preston also appeared in the "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" film in 1978.

2. Lee Andrews and the Hearts, in 1957. It was later covered by Clyde McPhatter, also in 1957.

3. "It Must Be Him," in 1967. The original was "Seul sur Son Étoile," which translates to "Alone on His Star." A dozen artists around the globe covered the song, with translations into several languages, including German and Lebanese.

4. The Left Banke, in 1966. The Four Tops followed with a cover in 1967.

5. "What's Your Name," by Don and Juan, in 1961. The song was used in the documentary "It Came from Hollywood" in 1982 and in the film "Siam" in 1998.

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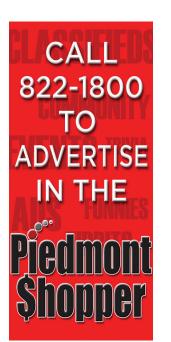
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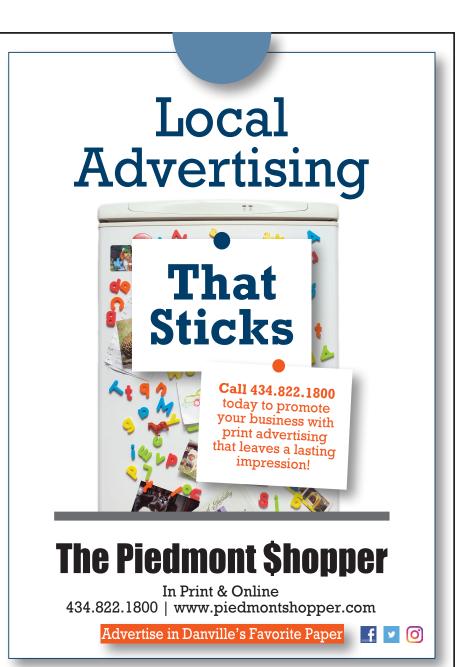
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\* While death by guillotine might seem like an ancient ritual, the practice was still in use in France up until 1977 -- when the original "Star Wars" was in theaters.

\* Sleeping through summer is called estivation.

## Leftover Mashed Potato Cheese Puffs



Ingredients:

- 3 cups mashed potatoes
- 1 cup shredded cheese (cheddar, mozza-

rella, or your favorite melting cheese)

- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour

- 2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese
- 2 tablespoons chives
- 1/3 cup sour cream
- Salt to taste
- 2 eggs, beaten
- Instructions:

1. Preheat your oven to 400°F (200°C) and grease a muffin tin.

2. In a mixing bowl, beat the eggs and mix in the sour cream until well combined.

3. Add the shredded cheddar cheese, Parmesan cheese, chopped chives, and a pinch of salt to the egg mixture. Mix thoroughly.

4. Gently fold in the mashed potatoes, ensuring the mixture is evenly combined. 5. Spoon the mixture into the greased muffin tin, filling each cup to the top. 6. Bake in the preheated oven for about 20-25 minutes, or until the tops are golden

brown and puffed up.

Allow the potato puffs to cool slightly before carefully removing them from the muffin tin.

Serve the leftover mashed potato puffs as a delicious side dish or snack.



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by Freddy Groves

VA by the Numbers

The Department of Veterans Affairs has been going all out to provide expanded access to care to veterans. They're calling it Access Sprints, and it means they're scheduling more appointments at night and on weekends, as well as scheduling more veterans into their daily schedule.

\* The Museum of Bad Art in Somerville, Massachusetts, is pretty much exactly what it sounds like -- a collection of really bad art! But then again, who's to judge?

\* The American Psychiatric Association's DSM-5 handbook classifies caffeine withdrawal as a mental disorder.

\* Humans invented booze before the wheel.

\* When swallowed by toads, bombardier beetles project hot, noxious chemicals from their anuses, which sometimes forces the predators to puke the beetle back up.

\* The town of Baarle straddles the Dutch-Belgian border. In some places, the official borderline cuts through houses and cafes.

\* There are approximately 200 feral cats roaming the grounds of Disneyland, where they help control the park's rodent population. All of them are spayed or neutered, and park staff provide them with both extra food and medical care.

\* The second-half kickoff in Super Bowl I had to be done twice, as NBC didn't cut back from a commercial break in time to catch the first one on camera.

\* In Japan, instead of a "Man in the Moon," people see a "Rabbit in the Moon."

\* The Mobile Phone Throwing World Championships are held in Finland. One winner said he prepared for the event by "mainly drinking."

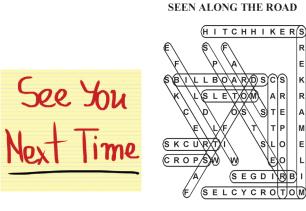
\* Sometimes it snows on Mars, but the flakes are made out of carbon dioxide, not water.

\* After the band OutKast sang "Shake it like a Polaroid picture," Polaroid released a statement warning that "shaking or waving can actually damage the image."

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Me watching a romantic movie, but no longer believing in love:





## Even Exchange answers

6. Barter, Banter

7. Purse, Purge

8. Sailor, Tailor

Patty, Party

10. Clover, Closer

9.

1. Tense, Terse

- 2. Candy, Cindy
- 3. Galley, Valley
- Tiger, Tiber 4.
- Planet, Planes 5.

The effort seems to be showing progress. Just this year so far the VA has had 25,000 more new patients than they did during the same period last year. Appointments increased by 11%.

Per the stats, 12% fewer new patients had to wait over 20 to 28 days to get an appointment, and 14% fewer new patients are having to wait to see community providers because of wait time eligibility.

This is on top of the care they provided in 2023 in over 116 million appointments.

Other 2023 stats are equally impressive. The crisis line took over 1 millions calls, over 33,000 veterans received emergency care in suicide crises and 5.5 million dental procedures were completed for over 560,000 patients.

Nearly 5 million veterans were screened for toxin exposure, an important step in monitoring their health. (As of March 5, 2024, veterans exposed to toxins and meeting other requirements have become eligible for VA health care, even before enrolling for other VA benefits. This means those who were in the Vietnam War, Gulf War, Iraq, Afghanistan, the Global War on Terror or any other combat zone since Sept. 11. Any who weren't deployed but who trained and were exposed here in the U.S. are included in eligibility.)

Even the non-medical efforts saw success: Ten million veterans have individual pages in the online digital Veterans Legacy Memorial website, with over 5 million of those being created in the last year, and 5.6 million policyholders got life insurance coverage.

The VA was able to hire over 61,000 staffers to provide care to the increased number of veterans seeking health care, bringing the total to over 400,000.

Not a bad year for the VA ... and veterans.

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