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The Coventry Public Library, 1672 Flat River Road, invites families to attend a special Christmas-themed Evening Storytime on December 13 at 6:30PM. Holiday stories, activities & crafts will be featured. Children may attend in their pj's & slippers. No registration required.

**WEST WARWICK PUBLIC SCHOOLS MENTORS NEEDED**

Do you have an hour a week to share? That's all it takes to volunteer with a child, in a school during school time! You can work with either a girl or boy in Elementary, Middle, or High School. For more information call Dana Papitto, 822-8435 or 825-6530.

**COLORING FOR ADULTS AT HOPE LIBRARY**

Hope Library, 374 North Road, Hope, invites adults to join them for Adult Coloring on Thursdays from 6:30-7:30PM. They supply the pencil crayons and coloring pages, you supply the inspiration!

**FOOD ON THE MOVE AT THE WEST WARWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY**

The West Warwick Public Library, 1043 Main Street, West Warwick, will host a mobile, high-quality fresh fruit & vegetable market on December 13 from 2-4PM. For more information, visit the RI Public Health Institute's website at riphil.org/portfolio/food-on-the-move

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT GEN. NATHANAEL GREENE HOMESTEAD**

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**Prayer to the BLESSED VIRGIN**

(Never known to fail). O Most Beautiful Flower of Mt. Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the sea, help me and show me here in, you are my mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times.) Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (3 times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days. You must publish it and it will be granted to you. Grateful Thanks.

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<b>Thurs. 12/14</b>	100% grape juice, tuna salad, tri-colored pasta salad, carrot slaw, rye bread, lemon pudding. Sandwich: Honey ham and Swiss on rye.
<b>Fri. 12/15</b>	<b>Christmas Party!</b> Pasta fagioli, stuffed chicken with gravy, red bliss mashed potatoes, green beans almondine, wheat bread, sour cream coffee cake. Sandwich: Seafood salad on a roll.
<b>Mon. 12/18</b>	Chicken soup, with anci de pepe, Italian sausage, peppers and onions, oven roasted potatoes, marble bread, pudding. Sandwich: Italian tuna on marble.
<b>Tues. 12/19</b>	Cream of broccoli soup, liver and onions with gravy, wild rice, asparagus tips, pumpernickel bread, cookies. Sandwich: Seafood salad on pumpernickel.
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<b>Wed. 12/13</b>	Pineapple with cottage cheese, teriyaki chicken, vegetable lo mein, egg roll, dessert. Option: Turkey Reuben on rye.
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<b>Fri. 12/15</b>	New England clam chowder, fish sandwich on wheat roll, cole slaw, French fries, dessert. Option: Italian grinder.
<b>Mon. 12/18</b>	Lentil soup, steak and cheese sandwich, potato wedges, baby carrots, dessert. Option: Chicken Caesar salad.
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**55+ FITNESS CLASS AT HOPE LIBRARY**  
 Hope Library, 374 North Road, Hope is offering 55+ Fitness Classes on Mondays & Fridays from 2-3PM. Certified Senior Fitness Specialist, Myrna Moore will lead these classes that welcome all fitness levels. Class consists of stretching, body movement, light weight lifting, chair exercises, nutritional guidance & a touch of Yoga. Donation of \$1/class is requested. Please bring a 2-3 lb. weight for the weight training. For more information, call 821-7910.

**LOUTTIT LIBRARY STORYTIMES & CRAFTS NIGHT**  
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**ENGRAVED BRICK FUNDRAISER - FINAL PHASE**  
 The Coventry Historical Society is entering the final phase of their Engraved Brick Fundraiser. There is still time to purchase a brick to memorialize a loved one, advertise your business or carve in stone your own or a loved one's time as a student at the Read School. Your brick will be added to our beautiful Memorial Walk at the Read School House, which is a memorial to our founder, Lillian Thurston. You may purchase a 6"X9" brick for \$75 or a 9"X9" brick for \$125. For more information, contact Mary at 828-7523.

**KIDS' ACTIVITIES AT GREENE PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
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**Obituary**  
**GLORIA I. (JACQUES) CAHILL**  
 passed on the morning of  
 November 23, 2017 at Kent County Memorial Hospital.



Gloria worked worked at Quonset Navy Base and Amtrol. She lived a fun and happy, full life. She liked to help others and even strangers in need. She loved cooking for her family and playing cards with them also. Gloria was the daughter of the late Emile and Valeda (Marie) Jacques and the sister of the late Norman Jacques. Mother of Jacqueline Brown, husband Terrance, Allen Morris Sr. and wife Deborah. Grandmother of Melissa Donnelly, husband Thomas, Terrance Brown Jr., Natachee LaColle, husband Ryan, Allen Morris Jr., Chenoa Cahoone, husband Orrin Jr. Great grandmother of Kayla, Kelsey, husband Ben, Erin, Brittany, Justin, Gabriella, Orrin III, Sofia and great great grandmother of Colin. Brother Ronald Jacques, wife Anette and many nieces and nephews. She will be missed by all and always in our hearts. We will always hear her laughter. In lieu of flowers please donate in her name to the American Cancer Society. To extend your condolences please visit [www.henault-gallogly.com](http://www.henault-gallogly.com).

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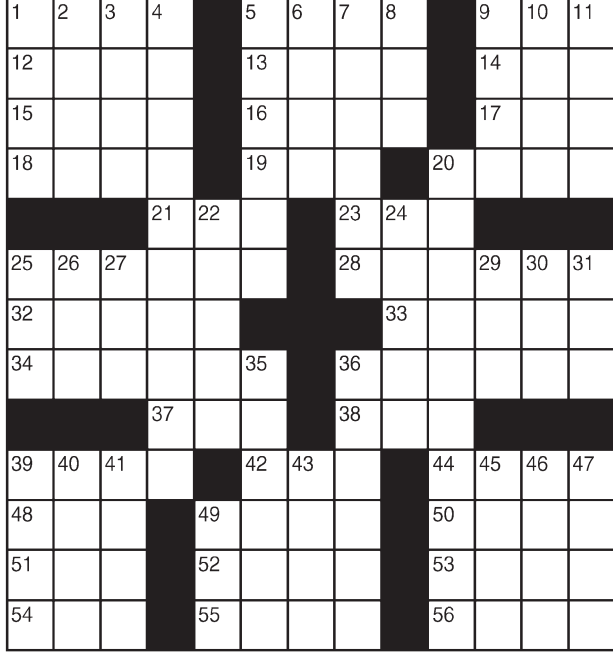
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- ACROSS**
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  - 12 Resting
  - 13 Neighborhood
  - 14 Expert
  - 15 Shipwreck site
  - 16 Ancient Briton
  - 17 Say it's OK
  - 18 It's right on the map
  - 19 Shell game need
  - 20 Took the bus
  - 21 — canto
  - 23 Mainlander's memento
  - 25 Flower cluster
  - 28 Heckle or Jeckle
  - 32 Baking potato
  - 33 Any of four that chase
  - 34 Aberration
  - 36 Last syllable of a word
- DOWN**
- 1 Tragic
  - 2 Concept
  - 3 Hearty quaffs
  - 4 Forgotten, maybe
  - 5 Spotted horse
  - 6 Huron neighbor
  - 7 Soothe
  - 8 Body art, for short
  - 9 Good ring?
  - 10 On the rocks
  - 11 Apportion (out)
  - 20 90 degrees
  - 22 Overact
  - 24 American emblem
  - 25 Carnival city
  - 26 Throw in
  - 27 Scoundrel
  - 29 Luau bowlful
  - 30 Doctrine
  - 31 Greek H
  - 35 Dairy-section item
  - 36 Overcoat named for a region of Ireland
  - 39 Talon
  - 40 Whip
  - 41 Sore
  - 43 Bocelli show-stopper
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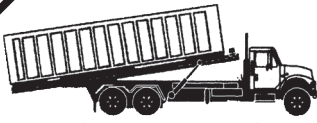


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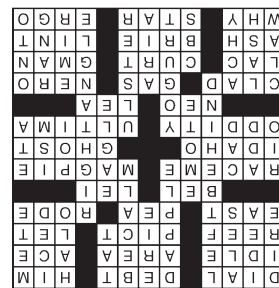
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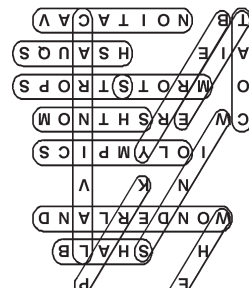
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## Give Cookies for Christmas

Freshly baked cookies are a wonderful holiday gift. Hosting family and friends for a cookie exchange party is a great way to start a new holiday tradition and get a variety of baked goods and some new recipes without spending much money. A cookie exchange party also is an inexpensive way to entertain because the cookies provided by your guests are the centerpiece of the party, and everyone leaves with a variety of cookies as a parting gift.

You also can host a cookie bake and exchange party. Since everyone is so busy, buying good quality cookie mixes and having the guests stir them up, bake and decorate them can become a party activity.

The first cookie exchange party started more than 70 years ago. It was usually a social event for women and was extremely popular with women's clubs and church groups. Each person baked one or two dozen of their favorite cookies and exchanged one with each person in attendance. The party also offered a wonderful way to collect the personal stories behind the cookies. Sharing stories also acts as an ice-breaker and a way for guests to get to know each other.

Here are a few tips for hosting a cookie party exchange, plus a great recipe for my mother's Peanut Butter Cookies.

• Invite eight to 12 people for the best variety of cookies and conversation. Traditionally, everyone attending

brings a dozen of one kind of cookie, squares or candies for each of the other people in attendance, plus one dozen for themselves and an extra dozen for the "sample plate."

Since this would require a huge amount of baking, I suggest that each person bring three dozen cookies: two dozen to exchange and a dozen for sample plate. Although each guest might not get one of each cookie to take home, this makes the event more of a real party, as your guests won't feel pressured to turn their kitchens into a bakery. Suggest that they wrap each dozen they are bringing separately.

• Send invitations by email or regular mail a few weeks ahead of the party. Specify a start and end time for your party. Send email reminders a week ahead of time. Remind guests to bring a large container so that they can take their cookie assortment home.



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• Avoid duplication of cookies/recipes by asking guests to RSVP and tell you about the cookies that they will bring. You might want to suggest selecting a recipe that has a special family meaning or one that is traditional to their background. This is a great way to learn about the traditions and recipes of other cultures and ethnic groups.

• Ask each guest to bring a copy of their recipe to pass around with a little information about the origin or memory associated with the cookie. Having a list of the ingredients also ensures that people with food allergies can protect their health.

• If the cookies or candies have been frozen, label them "Previously Frozen."

• Set a beautiful table and arrange all the cookies as the guests arrive.

• Create separate sample cookie and exchange cookie areas — either ends of a table or on separate small tables. Keep each recipe on its own plate.

• Design the table or areas in a layout that provides easy access to the treats from all sides.

• Eating sweets induces thirst! Have self-serve pitchers of ice and sparkling water on hand along with warm and cool drinks, cups, plates and napkins.

This is a gathering where you can make your own rules and traditions, like baking these Easy Four-Ingredient Peanut Butter Cookies every year. Relax, and don't forget to enjoy your own party!

### EASY FOUR-INGREDIENT PEANUT BUTTER COOKIES

- 1 cup sugar, plus 3 tablespoons for sprinkling
- 1 cup peanut butter
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1. Heat oven to 350 F, and line a large cookie sheet with parchment paper.
2. In a large bowl, stir all four ingredients together until smooth.
3. Using a tablespoon measure, scoop out 2 tablespoons of cookie dough and roll into a smooth ball.
4. Place pre-rolled cookies on your cookie sheet about 1-inch apart. Press down with the back of a fork and then press again from the opposite direction to form a criss-cross pattern.
5. Bake for 10 minutes, turn cookie sheet and continue baking for another 5 to 10 minutes. Remove from the oven and sprinkle with the remaining sugar. Cool cookies on sheet pan for 1-2 minutes before moving them to a wire rack to finish cooling. Makes 12-15 cookies.
5. Store in an air-tight container for up to 3 days.

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# Automart



New DVDs Reviewed in This Column Will be Released the Week of Dec. 4, 2017



**Despicable Me 3 (PG)** — After Gru (Steve Carrell) and wife Lucy (Kristen Wiig) are sacked from the Anti-Villain League for failing to thwart a former child actor-turned-villain, the aptly named Balthazar Bratt (Trey Parker), the adoring minions hope for a return to villainy. Unfortunately for them, the family instead packs it up to visit a newfound relative — long-lost twin brother Gru (also voiced by Carrell) — in his native Freedonia. With a family history of wicked behavior, Gru and Dru battle for influence while Lucy manages the misadventures of their adorable girl gaggle. The gang doesn't necessarily raise the bar in this iteration, but they certainly don't drop it. Minions still rule. Banana.

tool in a revenge plot against her hubby. But when the Mister finds out, he confronts the younger man, and then abruptly decides to turn the tables on Morgan by moving in with Stensland and reliving his glory days. The pair of opposites' escapades make up the bulk of this under-the-radar bromedy. Gleeson remains incredibly adorable throughout, and Church's alpha-dog antics are giggle-worthy indeed.

**American Assassin (R)** — Mitch Rapp (Dylan O'Brien) is a man with a revenge mission. His parents were killed, his fiancée was murdered by terrorists and he's uniquely suited to dish out a boatload of payback. Or so



Scene from "Despicable Me 3"

**Better Watch Out (R)** — It's a lovely Christmas holiday, and Ashley (Olivia DeJonge), like many other 17-year-olds, is picking up a little Christmas cash babysitting. Her charge, the precocious and angelic-faced 12-year-old Luke (Levi Miller), has other plans for his special night with Ashley; he cooks up a plot with his bestie to guarantee a closer relationship. But this is no peaceful silent night. Threats abound, and as events unfold, the decoration is more blood splatter than holly berries. It's surprisingly suspenseful and funny and disturbing, and it's the absolutely dead-black Christmas murder comedy you didn't know you wanted this year.

**Crash Pad (R)** — Attractive mature woman Morgan (Christina Applegate) cheats on her neglectful husband (Thomas Hayden Church) with a younger, ginger-haired romantic named Stensland (Domhnall Gleeson). Instead of being the fulfillment of her dreams, it turns out he's a simply a

he thought until he gets lured into a CIA black-ops training program under the tutelage of master spy mentor Stan Hurley (Michael Keaton). Hurley sharpens the knife that is Rapp into a scalpel, seriously suited to dish out a boatload of payback. When terrorist arms dealer Ghost — formerly trained by Hurley — steps into the picture, Rapp and Hurley combine to investigate and, you know, dish out a boatload of payback. This movie is like three-quarters stuffed with fights, killing and mayhem — and I'm all right with that. The film is potentially the first of many, as it's based on a novel series by Vince Flynn. Sanaa Lathan also stars.

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• On Dec. 21, 1967, "The Graduate" opens. The film was an uneasy exploration of what it meant to be young and adrift at a time of extraordinary upheaval. It made a star out of Dustin Hoffman, as well as his car, an Alfa Romeo Duetto Spider.

• On Dec. 22, 1956, a baby gorilla named Colo is born at the Columbus Zoo in Ohio, becoming the first-ever gorilla born in captivity. Colo went on to become a mother, grandmother and in 1996, a great-grandmother. She died at age 60 in January 2017.

• On Dec. 24, 1979, the Soviet Union invades Afghanistan with three divisions of 8,500 men each. The tide of the war turned with the 1987 introduction of U.S. shoulder-launched anti-aircraft missiles. The last Soviet soldier left in 1989.

• On Dec. 20, 1989, Michael Moore's documentary "Roger & Me" opens in theaters. The film chronicled Moore's unsuccessful attempts to meet Roger B. Smith, the head of General Motors, which had closed 11 factories in Flint, Michigan.

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**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) The creative Twin finds outlets for her or his ideas in the early part of the week. The practical Twin takes it a step further and rallies support to turn the ideas into reality.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) It's time to stop being intimidated by someone's negative behavior. Start taking positive steps on your own to help strengthen your position down the line.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Look closely at that so-called golden opportunity. Best to be a cautious Cat who approaches things slowly, than one who pounces without knowing where you'll land.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Your apology can resolve that personal situation before it overshadows the holidays. You'll feel better, even if you're only partly to blame for what happened.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Avoid overtaxing yourself, even if your energy levels are high and you feel that you can do it all. Best to pace yourself so you won't run yourself down before the holidays.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Your sense of humor helps get you through a stressful period. Some of your quick quips can take the edge off any remaining negativity being aimed at you.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Your artistic talents not only help you express yourself these days, but they also set up a line of communication between you and someone very special.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) It's fine to appreciate the importance of "proper form" for doing things. But relax a bit in order to allow newcomers on the project to feel less intimidated by you.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Use your boundless reserve of optimism to persuade others to work with you to resolve a difficult workplace problem before it can ruin your holiday fun.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You brim over with self-confidence as you begin to tackle a new challenge. And, before you know it, you're not alone: Others have taken the plunge with you.

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2. Name the last major-league team before the San Francisco Giants in 2016 to have at least four homers and four triples in the same game?
3. Dallas quarterback Dak Prescott set a record for most consecutive passes without an interception to start an NFL career (176). Who had held the mark?
4. When was the last time before the 2016-17 season that the Florida State men's basketball team finished a season undefeated at home?
5. Nashville's Pekka Rinne tied an NHL record in 2017 for most playoff wins by a Finnish-born goalie. Who else holds the record?
6. In 2017, Kyle Busch became the third NASCAR Cup driver to have back-to-back pole wins at Indianapolis. Name either of the other two.
7. Who was the last unseeded tennis player to win the women's singles title at the French Open before Jelena Ostapenko in 2017?

**Answers**

1. Glenn Wright hit 22 home runs in 1930.
2. The New York Yankees, in 1998.
3. Tom Brady, with 162 passes in 2000-01.
4. It was the 1975-76 season.
5. Antti Niemi (2010-2016).
6. Jeff Gordon (1995-96) and Ernie Irvan (1997-98).
7. England's Margaret Scriven, in 1933.

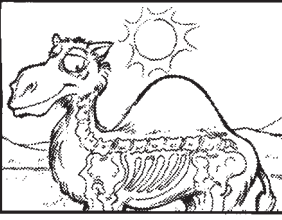
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- Lots of people dislike lawyers, right? You might be surprised to learn, though, that it isn't a new phenomenon. In fact, in 1641 the Massachusetts Bay colony made it illegal for anyone to earn money by representing another in court, and in 1658, the legislature of Virginia passed legislation expelling all lawyers.
- Most people — even word nerds like yours truly! — aren't aware that the plural form of Sphinx is Sphinges.
- You might not be surprised to learn that the only bones to be found in a shark's body are in its jaws and teeth.
- Hardly anyone in Greece has a Christmas tree. Instead, most homes have a wire suspended across a shallow wooden bowl with water in the bottom. A cross wrapped in a sprig of basil is suspended from the wire, and the water keeps the basil fresh. Every day during the holiday season, a family member dips the cross and basil into some holy water and sprinkles each room of the house. In addition to the religious significance, this ritual is said to keep away the kallikantzeri, mischievous goblins that appear during the 12 days of Christmas.

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**Shock Chlorination Of Water Wells: What You Need To Know**

(NAPS)—“Shock chlorination” is a term loosely applied to using a relatively high concentration of chlorine to disinfect a water well system. It may come as a shock to learn that the National Ground Water Association (NGWA) does not recommend household well owners attempt to disinfect their own well systems.

Rather, NGWA suggests well owners use a water well system professional familiar with proper well disinfection procedures to do the job. There are multiple steps to properly disinfecting a well, and for a person untrained in it, there are multiple opportunities to make a mistake that could not only render the process ineffective but create additional problems.

**Shocking Information**

Here are some of the things you should know about shock chlorination:

Household chlorine bleach is not designed for use in drinking water. Although household bleach is widely recommended for disinfecting drinking water wells, it's not designed for that and may cause problems.

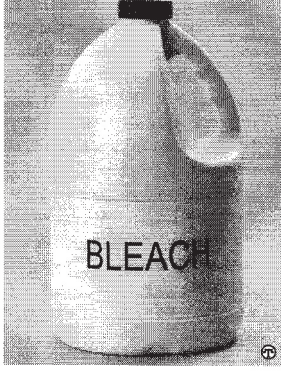
First, the disinfectant properties of household bleach deteriorate over time, affecting its reliability as a disinfection agent. Second, bleach may contain perchlorate. Research has shown that perchlorate can present a health risk at certain levels and affect iodine uptake by the human thyroid to inhibit thyroidal hormone production.

Fortunately, there are alternative disinfectants, chemicals certified as safe for use in drinking water by independent product safety laboratories.

At too high a concentration, bleach can create disinfection by-products harmful to health. When organic matter in groundwater encounters certain chemicals, such as chlorine, a reaction can occur that creates a cancer-causing agent known as trihalomethane.

Also, at too high a concentration, bleach can corrode well system pipes and other components. This was demonstrated in Flint, Michigan, where corrosive water coming out of the public water system was sufficient to induce corrosion in galvanized steel pipe, causing the release of toxic lead into the drinking water.

There are other problems that may result from attempting to disinfect your own well. For instance,



**When a well needs to be disinfected, it's a good idea to get a professional to do it rather than trying to add household bleach yourself.**

removing the well cap alone could expose the open well to bacterial contamination from the outside. Great care must be taken to disinfect not only the inside of the well system but also the well cap before it's put back.

Furthermore, if the disinfectant is not at the proper concentration for the volume of water in the well system—or if the contact time between the disinfectant and the system is not sufficiently long—the disinfection process may not work.

For these reasons, NGWA advises that whenever possible, well owners should use a water well system professional who knows proper disinfection procedure to disinfect their well.

That said, there may be circumstances in which a well owner cannot get a water well professional to disinfect the well; for instance, someone in a remote area where service is not readily available. In such instances, the well owner should consult with someone qualified in well disinfection for instruction.

Disinfection is an important procedure to perform any time a water well is opened or serviced, or if water test results indicate the presence of bacteria. When the presence of bacteria is persistent, it should be determined whether there is a breach in the well system allowing bacteria to enter the well. If so, the breach should be repaired.

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HOLLYWOOD — Leonardo DiCaprio is spending more time as a producer than as an actor. He is involved in producing no less than 33 films, executive producing seven and acting in at least four. Mark L. Smith, who wrote “The Revenant,” for which Leonardo won an Oscar, has written “Conquest,” which Leonardo has in pre-production. He’s also preparing to play Theodore Roosevelt in “Roosevelt,” take on the Sicilian Mafia in “The Black Hand” and star in “Killers of the Flower Moon.” He’s just completed producing “Robin Hood,” with Taron Egerton, Jamie Foxx and Jamie Dornan, as well as the mini-series “Frontiersmen,” about Daniel Boone, Davy Crockett, Lewis and Clark, and Andrew Jackson, no doubt inspired by “The Revenant.”

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Nicole Kidman celebrated her Emmy win for HBO’s “Big Little Lies” by lining up films for 2018. First up is “The Upside,” with Bryan Cranston and Kevin Hart, opening March 9; followed by “Boy Erased,” with Russell Crowe and Lucas Hedges, arriving Sept. 28; and “Aquaman,” with Jason Momoa in the title role, due Dec. 21, 2018. Kidman is currently starring in the BBC series “Top of the Lake,” which is airing on The Sundance Channel in the U.S. Meanwhile, her “Big Little Lies” co-star Reese Witherspoon is co-producing a new series for Apple TV with Jennifer Aniston.

Jenna Elfman, who became a TV star in 119 episodes of “Dharma & Greg” (1997-2002), has had less success with her series that followed: “Accidentally On Purpose” (18 episodes on CBS, 2009-2010), “1600 Penn” (13 episodes on NBC, 2012-2013) and “Imaginary Mary,” (nine episodes on ABC, 2017). She’ll now be a regular on “The Walking Dead” in its upcoming sixth season.

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Sorry to report we lost “Magnum, P.I.’s” Higgins, John Hillerman, Nov.



NASA/Goddard/Rebecca Roth  
**Leonardo DiCaprio**

9. I visited Tom Selleck several times on location in Hawaii, I was lucky to spend time with Hillerman as well. He was as funny and delightful as he was as Higgins. He received four Emmy nominations for “Magnum” (1980-88), and finally won in 1987. When his health declined, Hillerman decided to retire in 1999 and move back to his native Texas. Among his 24 films was 1972’s “What’s up Doc?” and two for Mel Brooks: “Blazing Saddles” (1974) and “The History of the World, Part 1” (1984). He was an original.

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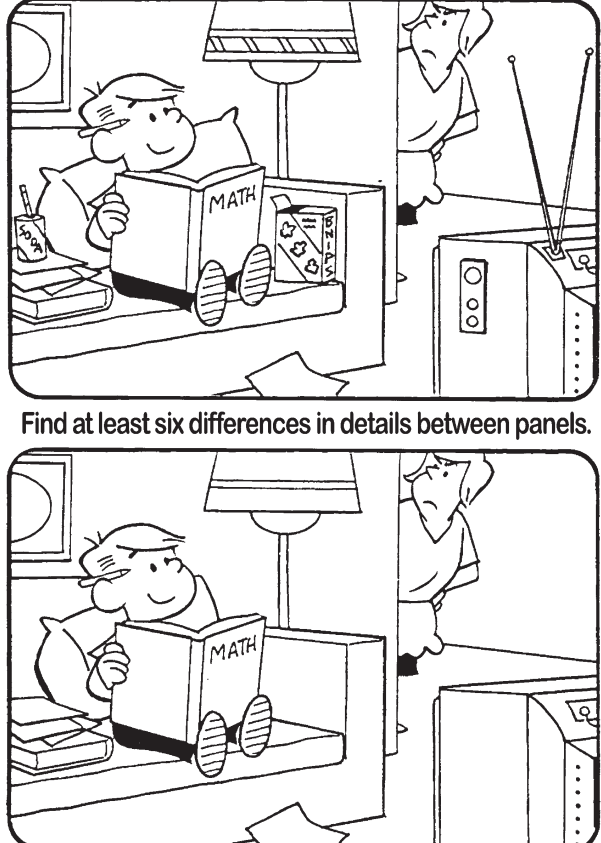
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**Out of the Woods and Into the Fire**  
 We live in a time where we expect our athletes to be exceptional, to become "human cheat-codes" in the video-game parlance, and not simply adequate or even effective. For perhaps no other professional athlete, that sentiment rings far too true for one golfer — Tiger Woods, the King, one might say, of heightened expectations.  
 As the PGA Tour's so-called 2017 November-December Challenge Season (or as some refer to the official-ish slate of shootout and skins tournaments that don't count toward a player's official earnings, the "Silly Season") begins, Tiger Woods has signaled he is all in. The problem is, he doesn't know what that means quite yet.  
 The embattled former champion who once seemed destined to break every one of Jack Nicklaus' records, the player who even made Augusta National reconfigure (read "Tiger-proof") its hallowed links, now is looked upon as a larger-than-life curiosity. Never mind wondering if the man can win another major when the question now is: Can he even walk?  
 Since his late May DUI arrest, where we learned his search for a

cure from back pain included taking copious amounts of pills — Ambien, Dilaudid, THC, Vicodin and Xanax were found in his system — Tiger has been in hybrid pain and pill management. After his fourth back surgery in July fused together portions of his spinal cord, Tiger immediately set his sights on the course.  
 In late November, the legend himself returned to the Hero World Challenge, where he cautioned anyone looking for heroics.  
 "I don't know how hard I can hit it, what shots can I play. ... I'm still learning this body," Woods said. "Once I get a better understanding, I can give you a better answer."  
 The Hero World Challenge was just the third tournament Tiger Woods has played in for the past two years. His exodus has been neatly filled by the arrival of Dustin Johnson, Jordan Spieth, Justin Thomas, Hideki Matsuyama, Justin Rose and Rickie Fowler. Unsurprisingly, the competitor who finished 15th in a field of 17 last year, who hasn't won a tournament since 2014, who hasn't played an official round in 10 months, still shows plenty of spark when their names come up.  
 "In an ideal world, I would like to have them feel what some of them had to go against all those years," Woods said.  
 Can Tiger win back his awe-stricken fan base and return to anything remotely like his championship form? All we know is that he's not out of the woods yet, and that's the real challenge.  
*Mark Vasto is a veteran sportswriter who lives in New Jersey.*  
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**Smelling-Salt Bottle**  
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 The smelling-salt holder was opened and waved near the nose of the troubled patient. Many of the bottles were curved. Some were made of decorated metal and worn as part of a necklace. Some just looked like small saltshakers. A 2 5/8-inch marbled glass "shaker" made of light blue and milk glass with a threaded cap sold for \$293 at a Norman Heckler sale in Connecticut. It probably was made in Boston about 1850.



No, it's not a saltshaker — this is a smelling-salt bottle made in about 1850. It auctioned for \$293.

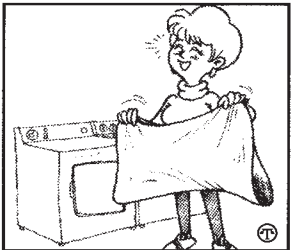
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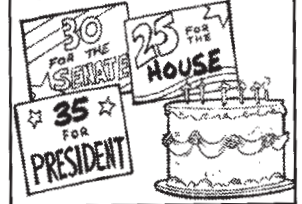
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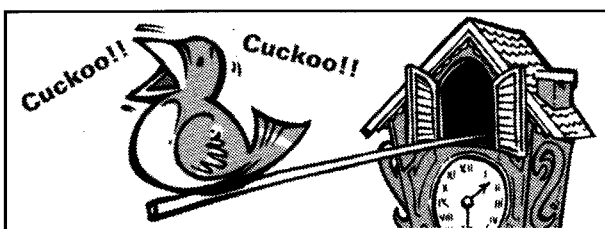
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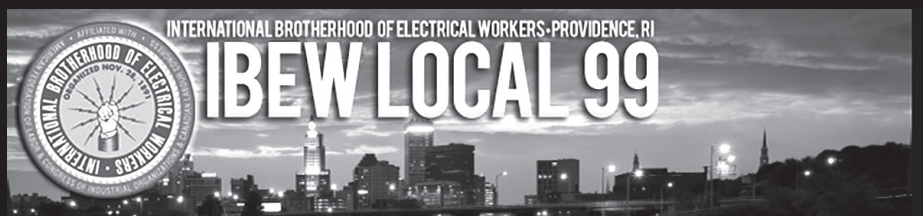
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