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- 1. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the word for "W" in the NATO phonetic alphabet?

 2. LITERATURE: Who wrote the
- short story titled "The Monkey's Paw"? 3 GOVERNMENT: Which one of the amendments to the U.S. Constitution forbids double jeopardy?

 4. ROYALS: Who was the daughter
- of Anne Boleyn and King Henry VIII of England?
 5. MYTHOLOGY: What is the
- Greek counterpart of the Roman goddess Minerva? 6. TELEVISION: Which member of
- the "Our Gang" cast was shot to death 7. LANGUAGE: What does the Lat-
- in phrase "prima facie" mean? 8. U.S. STATES: Which state's official song is "Roll On, Columbia, Roll
- 9. GEOLOGY: What kind of gemstone is actually fossilized tree resin? 10. GEOGRAPHY: What is the modern name of the country of "Cymru"

Answers

- 1. Whiskey
- 2. W.W. Jacobs
- 3. Fifth
- 4. Queen Elizabeth I 5. Athena
- 6. Carl Dean Switzer, who played
- 7. Based on the first impression
- 8. Washington

KIDS

9. Amber 10. Wales

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH ANNUAL **CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER**

St. Mary's Church, 70 Church Street, West Warwick, will hold their Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner (chicken optional) on March 10. Hors d'oeuvres at 5PM, followed by dinner at 6PM. Entertainment provided by "The Three Amigos". Tickets are \$25/adult & \$10/child. Seating is limited! Please call Maureen at 828-5188 or the Rectory at 821-5555 to purchase tickets or for more information.

THE SEWING NOOK AT GREENE PUBLIC LIBRARY ACCEPTING DONATIONS

The Sewing Nook at Greene Public Library, 179 Hopkins Hollow Road, Greene, is accepting donations of fabric (scrap & yardage), magazines, books, buttons, bows & "notions", patterns, templates & other "sewing related" items you would like to recycle. For more information, call 397-3873 or peggie@coventrylibrary.org

BOOT SCOOTIN' DINNER LINE DANCE

SS John & Paul Church will host a Boot Scootin' Dinner Line Dance on March 10 from 6-10PM in the Parish Center, 341 South Main Street, Coventry. Menu includes Pulled pork, bbq chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, baked potato, salad, wings, pie, soda, water, coffee. Beer/Wine for purchase. \$20 per person/\$36 per couple. Tickets sold at the Rectory or after weekend Masses. Tickets NOT sold at the door. For more information, please call 821-5764.

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ONGOING CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS AT **GREENE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Greene Public Library, 179 Hopkins Hollow Road, Greene invites you to attend one of their many ongoing children's program - Baby Books meets on Wednesdays & Fridays at 10AM. Kids Playtime meets on Friday mornings from 10AM-12PM. **Preschool Storytime** meets on Wednesdays & Fridays at 10:30AM. Story & Craft Hour meets Thursdays between 4-6PM. For more information, please call 397-3873.

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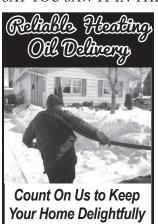
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fruit, sectioned and cut into

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cup thinly sliced red onion jalapenos, seeds removed,

shell cut in thin matchsticks

teaspoon ground black pepper

2. Coat large baking sheet with non-

stick cooking spray. Arrange tortillas

on sheet; spray lightly with cooking spray. Bake until crisp and beginning

to brown, 6 to 8 minutes; transfer to 4

3. Cut and reserve 12 thin avocado

slices; dice remaining avocado. In

large bowl, combine mixed greens,

grapefruit chunks, carrots, cheese and

4. In large skillet over medium-low heat, cook bacon until crisp; drain.

Pour bacon drippings from pan into

measuring cup. If necessary, add oil

to make 1/4 cup. Return drippings to

skillet: heat over medium heat. Add

onion and jalapeño; cook until tender.

Add lime juice, sugar, salt, pepper

and reserved 3 tablespoons grapefruit

juice. Bring to a boil, stirring to incor-

5. Pour mixture over avocado mixture

in bowl; toss gently and divide equally

onto each tortilla. Crumble bacon over

salads and garnish each with 3 avocado

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award-winning children's author,

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of seven cookbooks. Her new cook-

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porate the browned bits.

slices. Makes 4 servings.

tablespoon lime juice

teaspoons sugar

teaspoon salt

1. Heat oven to 350 F.

serving plates.

diced avocado.

packed) reserving juice carrots, cut in 1/2-inch

matchsticks

cubes (3/4 cup)

slices bacon Vegetable oil, if needed







Mexican Haas Avocados Go Beyond Guacamole

Hass avocados from Mexico are prized by chefs because of their delicate flavor and smooth, buttery texture. Mexican Haas avocados provide a rich, creaminess and a distinctive flavor to a variety of dishes. One of the best things about Mexican Haas avocados is that they contain the good "heart-healthy" fats that are so important in a balanced diet. They're also packed with nutrients - 20 vitamins and minerals, fiber, folate and potassium.

Compared with other fruits, avomagnesium, vitamin E and folic acid. Mexican Haas avocados also are high in beta carotene and have 60 percent more potassium than bananas. If you're keeping an eye on your waistline, avocados are perfect for a low-carb diet.

Hass avocados are native to Mexico and grow in the Michoacan area west of Mexico City. The climate and growing conditions are perfect because of the rich volcanic soil. Mexico grows more than 40 percent of the world's avocados and is one of the leading year-round suppliers to the United States.

Check the sticker on the avocado before you buy to be sure you're getting the high-quality Haas type from Mexico. An avocado is ready to serve when the skin turns from dark green to nearly black and yields when pressed gently with a thumb. Firm, dark-green avocados will ripen in a day or two at room temperature, and even faster in a brown paper bag on your kitchen counter. Placing an apple inside the bag also speeds up the process. Ripe avocados can be kept in the refrigerator for several days. You should be able to remove the short stem easily when an avocado is ripe.

To open an avocado, cut lengthwise around the pit. Gently twist to separate the halves. To remove the pit, place the avocado half on a counter and carefully strike the pit with the blade of sharp knife and twist to remove. Scoop out the flesh with a spoon. To prevent cut or prepared avocados from darkening, sprinkle with lemon or lime juice. Then place a layer of clear plastic wrap in direct contact with the avocado, cover tightly and refrigerate.



Pairing Mexican Haas avocados with citrus fruits takes an ordinary bowl of salad greens to a new taste level. Try this unusual recipe for Mexican Haas Avocado and Grapefruit Salad with Warm Bacon Dressing. It's guaranteed to take your avocado recipes beyond guacamole!

MEXICAN AVOCADO, BACON AND GRAPEFRUIT SALAD

Buttery avocado complements this warm salad, while fresh grapefruit chunks provide a refreshing bite. Invite your friends over for lunch or serve as a starter for a dinner party.

- large flour tortillas (10 inches) fully ripened avocados from Mexico, halved, pitted and
- cups mixed greens large pink or white grape
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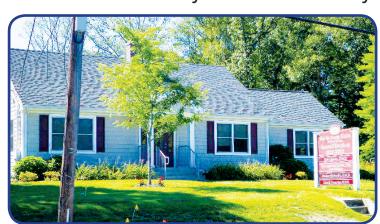
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VETERANS HELPING VETERANS FUNDRAISER FOR TINA LAVALLEE

VFW Post #9404, 29 South Main Street, Coventry will hold a Pasta & Meatball Fundraiser on March 3 from 5-8PM to benefit Tina Lavallee. Tina is a Veteran who, while on active duty on June 5, 1999, suffered a traumatic brain injury and multiple level back injuries which left her wheelchair bound. Through Sports Rehabilitation, Tina is now skiing with a mono-ski and is ready to compete. Tickets are \$20/person. All proceeds will go towards getting Tina to the 32nd National Disabled Veterans Games in Snowmass, Colorado. For more information, please call 828-9705.

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The Combat Vets Motorcycle Association is holding a Comedy Fundraiser on March 10 at the Smithfield Elks Lodge, 326 Farnum Pike, Smithfield. Doors open at 6PM, Show starts at 7PM. There will be a Pub Menu available, Cash Bar, Raffles & 50/50 Drawing. Tickets are \$20 each (18+ Adult Show). Proceeds to benefit Vets for Vets. For tickets, if you would like to sponsor a table or donate, please contact James at jreyell29@ yahoo.com or 473-1176, or visit funny4funds.com/events

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SS JOHN & JAMES PASTA DINNER

SS John & James Parish, 20 Washington Street, West Warwick, will host a Pasta Dinner on March 3 from 4-7PM in the School Cafeteria. Menu includes pasta, meatballs, sausage, chicken, salad, bread & dessert. Cash bar available for soft drinks, beer & wine. Tickets are \$12/adult & \$6/child (under 12). For tickets or more information, call Marianne 374-0931 or Dan 828-6790.



Homemade Instruments to Drum and Shake

When I heard the beat of the drums, I knew I was really back in Africa. It had been years since I taught in a secondary school in the remote Ubangi region of the Democratic Republic of Congo. Accessible only by boat or plane, I was fortunate to return recently to this ical land of mangoes, butterflies and poinsettias as large as trees to see former students, and participate with Congolese women's groups devoted to hygiene, finance, agriculture and clean-water projects.

It was the rhythmic welcomes in villages, each drum with its own sound blended with the tones and beats of rattles and voices, that got my feet stamping and hands clapping. The sounds are pervasive. All ages still beat drums to transmit messages, even while others simultaneously dial up their cellphones to do the same.

Percussion instruments are universal, really, and at their most basic level play an important part in a child's development. A simple rattle sparks an array of sensory experiences for a baby. No wonder a growing toddler enjoys finding anything that clangs to bang together like cymbals. Later, their fascination may lead them to musical training, which has been proven to increase math scores and self-expression.

Here is how to assemble a mini drum set and shaker to further your child's musical journey:

DRUM SET

-Paint various sizes of clean soup and vegetable tin cans in bright colors. Decorate with pompons and other favorite crafty charms

—Wrap strong paper cut in circles over the open end of some of the cans. Hold paper in place with rubber bands. Turn remaining cans open-side down on a table.

Use wooden and metal spoons to tap out a rhythm. The eraser ends of unsharpened pencils make good drumsticks.

For fun, play a game of "echo." Hit the cans and challenge others to repeat what you have done.

For mini cymbals, thread a bead 3-inches down on a wooden skewer.



Glue in place, then thread a flat canning-jar lid with a hole poked through its center, onto the skewer. Add another bead and a second lid. Top with a bead and glue in place. Tape to the side of a can. Hit with "drumsticks" as you play on the mini drum set.

BOTTLE SHAKERS

—Pour dry beans in a plastic bottle and glue the cap shut. Paint and decorate with colorful tape and stickers.

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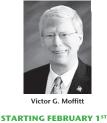
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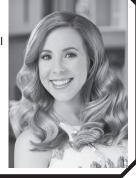
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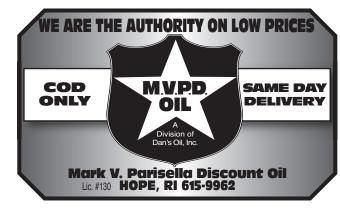
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Making Clear Vision A Reality

(NAPSA)—Here's something to reflect on: not being able to see clearly because you don't have access to vision care might seem like something that only impacts people in lesser developed countries—but that's not the case. One in seven people around the world need glasses, but lack access to an eye exam and a simple pair of

The issue spans across every country and continent. In the U.S. alone, one in four students has an undiagnosed vision problem significant enough to impact their academic performance. However, despite these overwhelming numbers, a new survey conducted by independent research firm Wakefield Research for OneSight, revealed that 65 percent of Americans are unaware that these problems exist in their own country. And though they may be unaware of just how many people are unable to get an eye exam and glasses in the U.S., Americans can imagine the practical and emotional implications of not being able to see clearly.

When asked what issues they may face if they could not see clearly, 60 percent of Americans feel they'd lose their independence. Forty one per-cent said they would be less productive at work or school, 43 percent say they would have a harder time earning a living and 23 percent feel they would lose social connections with family members and friends.

The consequences of not being able to see clearly can not only affect someone's overall well-being, but also compromises their financial stability. Research shows that clear vision enables a provider to earn up to 20 percent more each year and empowers students to be twice as effective in school. Without access to clear vision, a child's future or a parent's ability to maintain a living and provide for their family is unclear.

Consider this: Americans who cannot see clearly face these issues and emotions every day.

What You Can Do

One organization making an impact is OneSight, a nonprofit leading the global movement to solve the vision care crisis. In honor of World Sight Day and throughout October, OneSight is helping the world see a better future with the launch of their

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digital movement, #UNBLUR. The campaign aims to raise advocacy and funds to help provide eye exams and glasses to people in need in the U.S. and around the world.

OneSight is uniting people across the world to show firsthand what lack of access to vision care looks like and how a pair of glasses can have a life-changing impact on someone's future. Any one can join the global #UNBLUR movement and help the world see by making a ten dollar donation www.onesight.org/donate, which can help provide a pair of glasses to a person in need. OneSight is also encouraging people to watch the #UNBLUR video at www.onesight.org/wsd2016 and share it on social media to show how clear sight can empower peo-ple to reach their full potential.

"Access to vision care and a new pair of glasses could empower a student to reach their full potential, a parent to better connect with their children or a provider to get a better job and increase their earning potential," says Mony Iyer, OneSight's executive director. "There is no greater feeling than seeing how a simple pair of eyeglasses can alter the course of someone's life; this is why we won't stop until the world can see." OneSight makes access to clear

vision a reality through immediate and long-term solutions for underserved communities worldwide. Since 1988, OneSight Vision Clinics have served 9 million people in 46 countries and 49 states. With the help of dedicated partners, there are 23 permanent vision centers operating today, providing ongoing access to vision care to nearly 5 million people. That number will grow to over 20 million people by 2020



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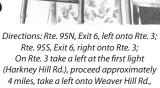
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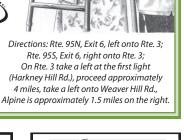
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Hans Wegner of Denmark created his most famous chair in 1949. It is now known as "The Chair." It was made and sold by Hansen/Knoll company for many years. "The Chairs" were chosen for John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon in the first-ever televised presidential debate in 1960. One of "The Chairs," made in about 1969 and featuring a leather seat, the Knoll label and Hansen stamps, sold in 2016 for \$610. Later versions of this iconic chair are available in shops and shows today.

O. Should I loan a number of my antiques for a fundraising event? They want me to set up my exhibit and leave it for two weeks.

but I am concerned about security and other problems. What should I worry about? None of the pieces are extremely valuable, but they are among my favorites, and some are family heirlooms.

• There is always a risk when you A. There is always a risk when you exhibit your collection. The exhibit should be in a secure build ing with a 24-hour security guard or electronic system. Security usually is good during a show, but during setur and after show hours there are people who can get into the room. Before you pack, take pictures and list every item with your estimated value for insurance purposes. Never advertise the value of your collections.

Make sure there is a barrier between the exhibit and the public, perhaps shelves behind a large table, or a locked cabinet. Don't exhibit posters or prints in a sunny window. Make sure the pieces are not remounted or altered. Decide before the show how the collection will be packed and returned.

A non-profit show may be run by people with no idea of the cost of old things. We loan pieces to teach the public about the past and the joys of collecting, but we had a sundrenched poster fade to unreadable, a clever advertising sign stolen and a figurine come back missing a hand.

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- · On March 5, 1963, the Hula-Hoop, • On March 5, 1963, the Hula-Hoop, a hip-swiveling toy that became a huge fad across America, is patented by Arthur "Spud" Melin. The hoop was dubbed "Hula" after the hip-gyrating Hawaiian dance of the same name
- On March 8, 1993, the Music Television Network airs the first episode of the animated series "Beavis and Butthead," which would become MTV's highest-rated series to that point. Creator Mike Judge later created the Emmy-winning animated series "King of the Hill."

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Hints For The Home

Easy Decluttering Tips

Start by assessing each room. Every home and family is different but kitch-

space inside your home. But if you make habit of doing this, you could eventually run out of room to park your car. To avoid that from happening, put a Kobalt cabinet or rail system in your garage to transform it into a functional storage

While closets aren't rooms, they can definitely become a cluttered nightmare. Some people think if the door can close, there's still room for storage. Don't let closets get to that point—you'll be a better person for it.

Here are a few additional tips for sprucing up your home while keeping it

- 1. Rearrange furniture to maximize
- able. Arrange these pieces first.
- room.
- When creating areas for conversation, keep furniture pieces within eight feet
- · With seating used for reading, remember to incorporate a light, whether it's a floor lamp or an end table with a
- adding lighting and mirrors.

 Lighting is a key element in opening up a space. If you're lucky enough to
- · Recessed spot lighting is visually appealing and is perfect for a small space.

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(NAPSA)—Even the cleanest home will look messy if it's not properly or-ganized. Jule Eller, director of trend and style at Lowe's, says there are a few simple ways to declutter your home and make your space look tidy.

ens, garages and closets tend to get the messiest the fastest.

A kitchen is a gathering place for everyone in the family, so it can become cluttered with everything from backpacks and junk mail to cereal bowls and pizza boxes. Cabinets and pantries can also become cluttered with too many dishes, utensils and spices, but installing a Rev-A-Shelf basket from Lowe's makes

it easy to keep things neat.

If you have a garage, you know it's tempting to simply stash away bulky or rarely used items in it, rather than find a

- functional and orderly:
- the space in each room.

 The sofa in the living room, the bed in the bedroom and the desk in the office demand the majority of space avail-
- Don't place too many pieces of furni-ture in a small space. A love seat may work better than a full-size sofa depending on the size and shape of the
- of each other so people can talk com-fortably when seated. If possible, keep these pieces facing each other instead
- lamp on it.

 2. Create the illusion of space by
- have natural light, let it shine in



You can save time and trouble when our home is neat as well as clean. A few simple steps and inexpensive items can help.

- A torchère lamp is great for bouncing light off the ceiling and back down on
- Skylights and solar tubes are natural alternatives for adding light to a space.
- Increase the appearance of the size of the room by adding mirrors. They not only reflect images, but also reflect light and color while adding a decorative element to the room
- 3. Use storage products to help you get organized.
- If shelving and closet organization kits aren't enough, keep clothes in storage bins. If you have too much, hold a garage sale or donate items to charity. A good rule of thumb is if you haven't worn it in two years, it's time to let it
- Store your utensils in an orderly fashion. Inexpensive baskets and bins work for oddly shaped items or small appliances. Keep stemware, plates and bowls grouped by function, style and shape. This will not only create a uniform look, but save time when meal
- prep is in full swing. You always have the option to build custom solutions, but sometimes that forces you to choose between style and functionality. If you'd rather not sacrifice one or the other, Lowe's offers a wide variety of products that allow you to have both.

Ultimately, it's important to remember to not bite off more than you can chew. One of the biggest mistakes people make when decluttering is not setting realistic goals on the front end. Come up with a plan before diving in. Look at the room as a whole and then focus on one corner at a time. Once progress is being made, it will motivate you to keep going.

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In addition, in homes of any size, the lines between the kitchen and other living areas are blurring as the family is coming together to entertain casually,

eat and prepare in one space.

If you're looking into cooking up a small kitchen for your household, here are four hints that can help:

1) Work with your designer to define what is important to you in a kitchen. Do you want a larger refrigerator? Many burners on the cooktop? What can stay and what can go? Take a lifestyle approach to your design project for how you cook, entertain and live every day. Don't design around a specific holiday or special occasions.

2) Look for smart storage solutions. Think about installing lazy Susans or spice racks. Store pots under a cooktop where they're easier to access. Don't skimp on storage organizers-they're worth their cost to avoid your having to crawl into hard-to-reach places. Use clever pullouts to make use of dead cabinet space. Let your utensils go hangfrom the ceiling, on hooks behind cabinet doors or on a Peg-Board on the wall.

3) "Never sacrifice the size of the sink; you will need the space for pots and baking sheets," advises architect Rebecca Ascher. She suggests keeping the sink between 26" and 28" minimum.

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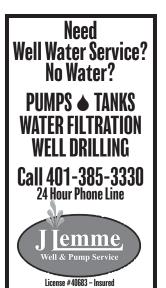


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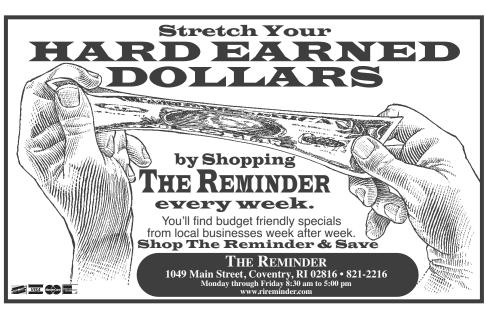
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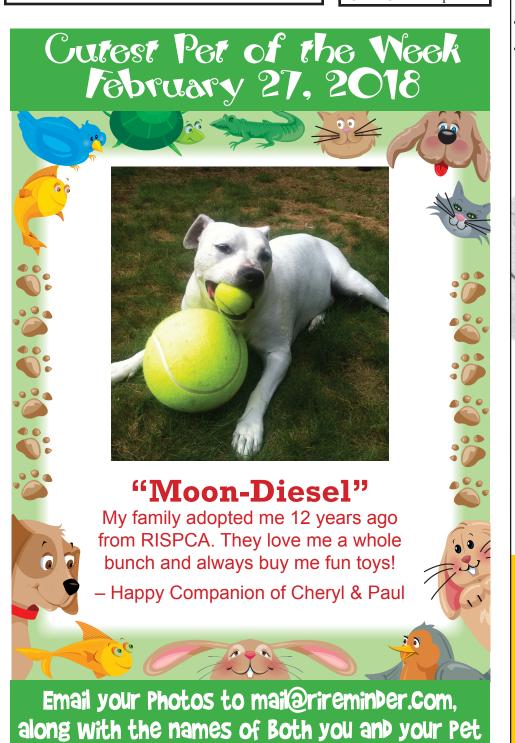
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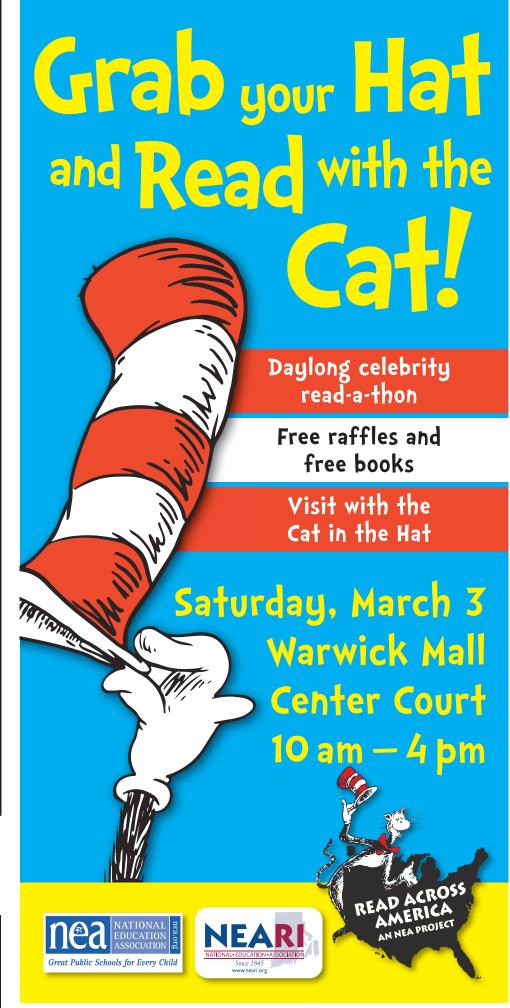


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ANSWER: In bacteriology, most of what we did was in incubators at 37 degrees Celsius (about 99 degrees F), an optimal growth temperature for most pathogenic bacteria in or on a growth medium. However, I was surprised to find that hotter temperatures, in general, tend to reduce both viruses and bacteria in the air. So there's no validity to the employee's claim.

The people controlling the temperathe people controlling the tempera-ture (the staff) probably are more com-fortable at a cooler temperature than the seniors taking advantage of the senior center (there are many reasons for this). Your suggestion of 75 F seems a perfectly reasonable temperature to me, but maybe it's worth finding out what most of the community wants

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practice is unethical. Physicians need to decide for themselves how comfortable they are in treating chronic conditions without seeing their patients for a prolonged period. His method ensures very regular follow-up, and he is likely to find changes to your condition more quickly than if he wrote yearly prescriptions On the other hand, many people don't need such close follow-up, and it is sig-

nificantly less convenient for many. The bottom line is, no matter wha

his motivation for such a policy, those who find this too much of an inconvenience probably would do better with a different provider.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column when-ever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med cornell.edu. To view and order health pamphlets, visit www.rbmamall.com or write to Good Health, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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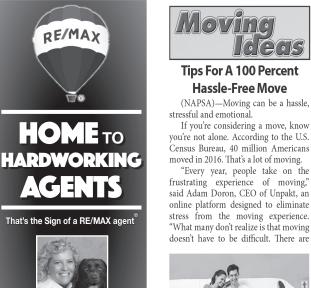
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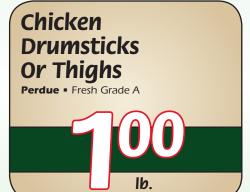
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The Damage Cost Is Close To

Your Deductible Any damage you do to another vehicle is covered under the liability component of your policy, while damage you inflict on your own car will be handled through your collision or comprehensive insurance, assuming you have such coverage (some people drop it for older vehicles).

If you estimate the damage inflicted to your car to be below your deductible, or even slightly above it, you should just handle the repairs out of pocket. If the damages are \$300 but the deductible is \$200, you would save just \$100 by filing a claim and your premiums could easily rise by more than that in the long run.
You Alone Are Involved

In an accident with no more than two drivers, where neither is injured and the damage appears to be minimal, you can both agree to not call the insurance company. There are, however, several reasons to be cautious about

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product. It might even increase the likelihood that the part was engineered and manufactured in the U.S.A. "U.S. manufacturing can be a strong

competitive differentiator in the replacement parts industry," explained John Perrin, executive director of product management for the North America Aftermarket business of Tenneco, Inc., which manufactures Monroe shock absorbers, struts and other ride control products. "Many consumers are attracted to U.S.-based manufacturers because of the perceived quality, performance and durability advantages of these parts as compared to products imported from offshore manufacturers."

A vast majority of Monroe ride control products sold in North America are manufactured or assembled in the company's plant in Paragould, Ark. Last year, the massive facility, with adjacent warehousing and strut assembly manufacturing operations, produced nearly 19 million shocks, struts and Monroe Ouick-Strut modular strut assemblies.

Why Quality Matters

another can affect how your vehicle will perform following the repair. In the case of shocks and struts, the differences could include ride quality; handling precision; noise, vibration and harsh ness (NVH); component durability; and even tire wear.

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Five Tips To Shake Up Your Everyday Chicken Dinner

(NAPSA)—While it can be easy to get stuck in a rut with family meal options, especially as schedules get hectic and you don't have much time to plan ahead, there are easy ways to shake up your next chicken dinner and excite everyone's taste buds.

Opt for bold flavors—Chicken is America's favorite way to enjoy protein—and for good reason. Not only is chicken high in protein, but it can be seasoned in so many ways. Spice up your next chicken dinner with worldly and exotic flavors, such as chipotle adobo, Jamaican spices or sweet chili. **Get the kids involved**—Food prep is

a great kitchen activity to bring together the whole family, even the little ones. Reach for food kits that contain the ingredients for less mess. One example is Gold'n Plump Shakers, which are ready in just three, kid-friendly steps. Pour the fresh chicken breast pieces and pre-s soned breadcrumbs into the provided bag, shake to coat, and then bake

Look for quick and easy food prod-ucts—Studies show that many home cooks, particularly millennials, plan last-minute meals. Reach for convenient foods at the grocery stores to aid in the enjoyment of cooking at home. In half an hour or less, you can make a tasty chicken meal; just pair freshly baked chicken with a bag of romaine salad and a bottle of Caesar dressing

Add pizzazz to your dinner plate-It's all about presentation. Add a little sparkle to the everyday by topping your finished meal with fresh herbs such as parsley. Or create a chicken taco bar rith an assortment of toppings so your family members can make their own ta-

cos based on personal preferences. Choose wholesome chicken—According to a Chicken Labels Insights Study from Gold'n Plump Shakers, 36 percent of shoppers say no antibiotics ever is important to them when buying chicken and humanely raised means higher quality for nearly 32 percent of shoppers. They may be pleased to know that Gold'n Plump chicken follows animal welfare standards and is humanely raised with no antibiotics ever and no added solution, preservatives or artificial flavors.

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Crema Sauce

¼ cup sour cream ¼ cup Greek yogurt Juice from 1 lime about 2 tablespoons Zest from 1 lime-

about 1 teaspoon 1 tablespoon of adobo sauce from a can of chipotle peppers in

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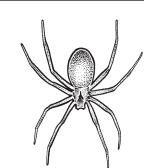
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- 2. Which vocal group released albums entitled "Bop Doo-Wopp" and "Vocalese" in the same year.
- 3. Who wrote and released "Put a Little Love in Your Heart"?
- 4. Which female artist first recorded "Walkin' After Midnight," and when?
- 5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Aruba, Jamaica, ooh I wanna take you to Bermuda, Bahama, come on pretty mama, Key Largo, Montego, baby why don't we go.

- 1. Tavares, in 1975. The song went to No. 10 on the pop charts but disco was another story: It stayed at No. 2 for five weeks.
- 2. The Manhattan Transfer, in 1984. "Vocalese" netted 12 Grammy nominations, second only to the "Thriller" album by Michael Jackson.
- 3. Jackie DeShannon, in 1969. Annie Lennox and Al Green covered the song in 1988 for the film "Scrooged."
- 4. Patsy Cline, in 1957, after appearing on the "Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts" TV show.
- 5. "Kokomo," by the Beach Boys, in 1988. The group recorded the song just in time for the release of the film "Cocktail," and it was included in the soundtrack. "Kokomo" was nominated for a Grammy that year.

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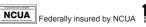


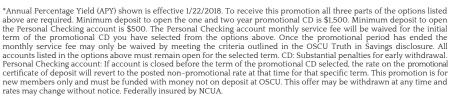
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Abraham Lincoln, the other president we recognize on President's Day, was a state champion wrestler and a handball fanatic. This probably was due to the fact that he had very large hands - and at 6-foot-4 he towered over the men of his day. Lincoln kept in shape, and once was said to have chopped wood for Union soldiers during the Civil War. After several minutes of vigorous chopping, he held the axe straight out and didn't quiver a bit. No soldier, it was said, could duplicate the feat.

The most avid presidential sportsman was Teddy Roosevelt. Roosevelt installed the White House tennis courts and even set up a boxing ring so he could spar with anyone who would take up the challenge. He also studied jujitsu and once tossed the Swiss minister to the floor during a luncheon - no doubt enraged by his neutrality. Now that's a statesman.

His cousin, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, ravaged by polio, could not participate in sports that he had once loved — particularly golf. But Roosevelt was able to swim and he was an avid yachtsman. His successor, Harry Truman, was a

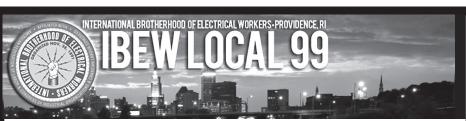
sportsman of a different kind. Accustomed to dealing with gangsters in downtown Kansas City, Truman was known to be a very good poker play-— the type who would drink bour bon with you all night (or morning) long and always keep it together. Truman also was known as being an avid speed walker. In fact, he would often conduct interviews with the press during his morning walks. The press gave up — they couldn't match his stamina.

Dwight Eisenhower's love of golf was legendary. Not only did Eisenhower create a sort of pitch and putt area on White House grounds, he scored a hole in one at a California country club just before his death.

John F. Kennedy played football as a youth (so did Gerald Ford, who played center for Michigan in college), and his family was known for their ultra-competitive touch-football games. Still, rumors of Kennedy's nightlife and his penchant for hanging out with the Rat Pack led many in the press to wonder just what, exactly, he meant when he said he only played "touch."

Mark Vasto is a veteran sportswriter who lives in New Jersey

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your soft-hearted self is drawn to a tempting offer. But your hard-headed half isn't so sure. Best advice: Do it only after every detail is checked out to your liking.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your inventive mind should help you find a way to get around an apparently impassable barrier and make yourself heard. Your efforts get you noticed by the right people.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're enjoying this creative period. But by midweek, you'll need to emphasize your more pragmatic talents as you consider a risky but potentially lucrative move.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An unexpected rejection could turn into something positive if you pocket your pride and ask for advice on how you can make changes that will make the

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your Lion's heart gives you the courage to push for answers to a job-related situation. Stay with it. You'll soon find more believers coming out the ranks of the doubters.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your curiosity pays off this week as you push past the gossip to find the facts. What you ultimately discover could lead you to make some changes in your plans.

Yard Sales

INDOOR YARD SALE! 198 Blackrock Road, Coventry: March 3 & 4, 8AM-2PM. No early birds.



Let meat rest before carving or slicing. As meat cooks, the meat's juices collect toward its center. As it begins to cool, the juices are reabsorbed and redistributed throughout the meat.



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LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A new sense of enthusiasm helps get you out of on-the-job doldrums and back into a productive phase. Family matters also benefit from your more positive attitude.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A bit of nostalgia is fine. But don't stay back in the past too long or you might miss seeing the signpost up ahead pointing the way to a new

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) If you feel you need to take more time to study a situation before making a decision, do so. Don't let anyone push you into acting until you're ready.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) As the Great Advice Giver, the Goat really shines this week as family and friends seek your wisdom. Someone especially close to you might make a surprising request.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Spiritual concerns dominate part of the week before more worldly matters demand your attention. An old promise resurfaces with some surprises attached.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're in a highly productive period and are eager to finish all the projects you've taken on. But don't let yourself get swamped. Take a breather now and again.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for learning new things quickly and applying your knowledge to best advantage where needed.

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HALL FOR RENT: Coventry Men's Club available for Bachelor Parties, Weddings, Birthdays, Retirement Parties, Etc. Menu available. Call 385-3536 after 2PM for more information.

FREE VETERAN'S APPRECIATION LUNCHEON: Sunday March 18, 3PM at the VFW Post 9404, 29 South Main Street, Coventry. In appreciation for their service to the Unites States and the sacrifices they made, Veterans are invited to bring 1 guest to this FREE LUNCHEON. There is a limit of 50 Veterans with 1 guest each. Please call James at 821-4354 and leave your name, Service Branch, Rank & contact number.

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Caregiver's Corner

Caring For A Loved One With Mental Illness Starts By Caring For Yourself

(NAPSA)—Roughly 40 million Americans are family caregivers. As the nation's population ages, that number is expected to increase, according to AARP. That's one reason health experts have an important message for caregivers: To properly care for your loved one, you must first take care of yourself.

One Woman's Story Like many caregivers, "Ellen" (not her real name) is so focused on her

husband's needs and managing their household that her own wellness is often neglected. "Some days can be very long and difficult," she explains. For the past six years, she's been a caregiver for her husband, "Dan," who was diagnosed with a mental illness. Dan's anxiety and depression can be paralyzing and he gets scared, agitated and nervous when Ellen isn't by his side.

isn't by his side. In addition to the emotional stress she feels from her 24/7 role of caring for Dan's physical and mental needs, Ellen, who is in her late 50s, also worries about finances. "I wonder how I'll find a job that will pay the bills and still al-low me to be available to my husband."

In the same breath, despite the obvious challenges she faces, Ellen speaks to the rewards of being a caregiver. "I believe it's made our marriage stronger in many ways. We cut out the silly little things couples fight about and focus on the important aspects of life."

Portant aspects of life.

What The Science Says
Researchers have closely studied the effects of caregiving on health and well-being. The Family Caregiver Alliance says caregivers are less likely to practice preventive health care and self-care behaviors than procaregives. They care behaviors than noncaregivers. They frequently suffer from sleep deprivation, poor eating habits and lack of physical exercise. They're at increased risk of an excessive use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs, as well as having a chronic illness, including high cholesterol and blood pressure. Studies also show an estimated 46 to 59 percent of caregivers become clinically depressed.

Make Yourself a Priority

To help, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) offers free online wellness resources so caregivers can manage stress and stay healthy. These recommendations for the mind, body and spirit include:
• Follow a healthy lifestyle. Start with

the basics. Eat healthful foods and limit alcohol intake. Don't smoke or use addictive substances. Exercise regularly. Consistently practice good sleep habits. Make time for rest and relaxation.



Ellen and Dan are finding ways to cope with his mental illness without risking her health.

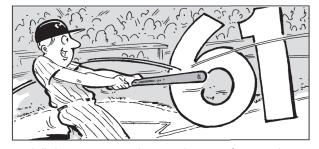
- · Make wellness part of everyday life Online resources, such as the Eight Dimensions of Wellness, provide practical ways to develop healthy habits that can have a positive effect on your mental and physical health. SAMHSA's wellness strategies address emotional and general health, which are both needed to improve personal resilience and manage stress.
- Connect with friends and family. Re lationships and social networks that provide support, friendship, love and hope are essential to well-being.
- Schedule regular checkups and health screenings. Act on results of checkups and health screenings, such as maintaining a healthy weight and blood pressure. Primary care physi-cians can recommend medications or treatments to help manage stress.
- Find a support group or mental health professional. Family doctors may be able to recommend a coun-selor or therapist. SAMHSA can also identify mental health professionals by zip code through its Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator:

www.findtreatment.samhsa.gov.
As for Ellen, she's been taking steps
to make her mental and physical health a priority. During times when she feels overwhelmed, Ellen has actively start-ed to add in her own stress relievers. "I read a book, walk around the block or sit with our cats. Sometimes I'll call a friend to come over and sit with Dan, so I can take a break or run a quick errand."

She recently signed up for a 12 week course for caregivers, something a friend offered to attend with her. It helps her feel less stressed and boosts

her well-being.

Providing care for loved ones is an act of great generosity and it can be rewarding. However, it can also be stressful and may occupy a great deal of time. It's critical for caregivers to balance their own needs with what they provide to others. Not only will they feel better, they'll be better able to help. The key is learning to incorporate wellness into everyday life.



Baseball player Roger Maris, whose record-setting 61 home runs in 1961 was not surpassed until 1998, won only that one home run title.



It's estimated that the average person will burn 100 calories in just 14 min-

WEST WARWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY TO HOST AN AFTER ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE PARTY

West Warwick Public Library, 1043 Main Street, West Warwick will be open fro 1-5PM on Sunday, March 11 for the Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. There will be a post-parade celebration featuring the Irish Punk/Sea Shanty Band "Sharks Come Cruisin" at 3PM. Free hot coffee & refreshments will be served.

THE FRIENDLY SONS OF ST. PATRICK **ANNUAL BANQUET**

The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick will hold their Annual Banquet on March 3 at Club Jogues. Cocktails served at 6PM, followed by dinner at 7PM. Tickets are \$20/person. For tickets or more information, call Michael 828-8842 or Thomas 828-7262.

AARP CHAPTER 2210 OGUNQUIT MAINE DAY TRIP

AARP 2210 is sponsoring a day trip to Ogunquit Maine on May 23. The trip includes lunch at Jonathan's in Ogunquit, a performance of "Smokey Joe's Cafe" at the Ogunquit Playhouse & Deluxe Motorcoach transportation by Conway Tours. Cost is \$160/person, with \$65/person non-refundable deposit due by April 16 & balance by May 16. Call Maureen, 828-5188 or Patricia, 821-3733 for reservations or for more information.

PHENIX SPORTSMEN'S CLUB GAME DINNER

The Phenix Sportsmen's Club, 715 Main Street, West Warwick, will hold a Game Dinner on March 11 from 1-5PM. Call 821-9659 for reservations or more information.

ST. FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH **CORNED BEEF DINNER**

St. Francis Episcopal Church, 132 Peckham Lane, Coventry, will hold their Annual Corned Beef Dinner on March 10 at 6PM. Tickets are \$14/adult, \$7/child & children under 5 are guests of the Church. Call 397-4337 for reservations

COVENTRY PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS...

Coventry Public Library, 1672 Flat River Road, Coventry welcomes Dennis Hilliard, Director of the RI State Crime Laboratory & an Adjunct Professor of Biomedical Sciences in the College of Pharmacy at URI on March 1 at 7PM. Mr. Hilliard will speak on his work with analysis of evidence including hair & fiber, DNA, breath, blood and fire debris. Come hear how science is used to solve crimes across the state. Call Jane at 822-9104 or email js@coventrylibrary.org



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Good Dental Health for Dogs and Cats

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My dog "Chip" and I were at the veterinarian recently, and she told me that Chip may have an abscess near a molar. He is now taking an antibiotic to try and heal the abscess, but if that doesn't work he may lose a tooth. How did this happen, and how can I prevent it from happening again? — Worried Mom in Wichita

DEAR WORRIED MOM: Even young dogs can develor problems. There are a number of possibilities as to why it happens sometimes it's blamed on a diet rich in soft, canned dog foods, or too many doggie treats. But many owners strictly regulate their pets' diet and yet still see signs of tooth decay and other issues like abscesses.

Regular checkups are important to catch dental problems early. You did that, and hopefully Chip will respond to treatment without the need for surgery. Another way to prevent some dental issues, or keep them from getting worse, is to brush your dog's teeth regularly.
Cat owners, don't think you're

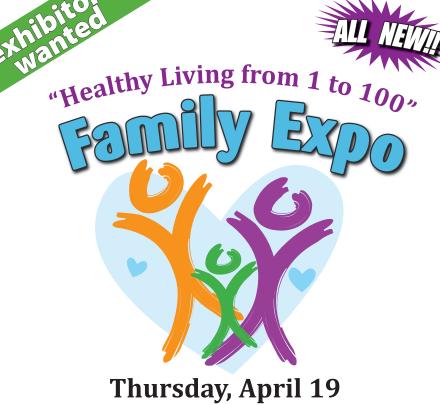
exempt, either. For both dogs and cats, brushing their gums and teeth gently about once a week takes about 10 minutes and can make a huge difference in their dental health.

Pet supply stores and vets' offices carry meat-flavored toothpastes designed for pets (don't use human toothpaste). You can purchase a finger brush, or simply wrap a clean, soft cloth around your index finger. Put a little paste on the end of the brush or your finger, lift your pet's lip out of the way, and gently swipe from the gum line down each tooth. Give your pet a little treat and some love once you're done.

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