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Give Easter Eggs a Spongeware Look

Easter soon will be here, with eggs of all colors and designs to brighten our homes. We like to try a variety of egg-decorating techniques, from the easy commercial dyes in a tablet to experimenting with natural dyes that we concoct with onion skins, tea and berries.

Many of the artistic memories live on in egg cartons stored away in the "Easter" box. They last because we blow out the contents of raw eggs and clean them before we decorate. Like ornaments on a Christmas tree, the kid-decorated eggs come out annually. Full of memories, they're lovely hanging from blossoming spring branches.

This year's decorating technique is inspired by enduring spongeware pottery, popular in our country for centuries. The speckled look is super-easy to create, and it's fun for the whole family to do together. Color the eggs first in soft colors if you wish, or keep them natural, and then just dab, dab, dab a cheerful palette of non-toxic paints here and there with a sponge.

Here's the stuff you'll need:

- several eggs, blown (see below) or hard-boiled
- non-toxic acrylic paint in favorite colors
- recycled plastic lids or paper plates, one for each color
- pieces of sponge, one for each color
- spring-type clothespins or clips for sponge handles
- egg cups
- newspaper

Here's the fun:

1. Working on a newspaper-covered surface, place an egg in an egg cup. Clip a sponge piece to a clothespin, and squeeze a puddle of paint onto a lid or plate.

2. Dip the sponge lightly in paint. Dab onto a piece of newspaper a few times, then lightly dab all over the top half of the egg. Let dry. Turn egg over and repeat on bottom half. Repeat with additional colors and eggs.

3. Hang decorated hollowed eggs from branches, or display them in a pretty bowl. If using boiled eggs, keep refrigerated until served.

HOW TO "BLOW OUT" AN EGG

Poke a small hole with a large safety pin at each end of a washed raw egg. Carefully wiggle the pin or a toothpick



into one of the holes to break the yolk. Place a drinking straw over the hole on top, and blow through the straw, collecting the contents of the egg in a small dish. Rinse out the empty shell and let dry completely before decorating.

STORAGE

Clean egg cartons make good containers for neat stacking in a storage bin in your home.

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Mon. 3/26 Lentil soup, knockwurst with mustard, sweet potatoes, winter blend vegetables, rye bread, tropical fruit. Sandwich: Chicken salad on rye.

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Q. Can you tell me what is going on with the new "Charmed" series? — *Cassie T., via email*

A. Well, all three Halliwell sisters finally have been cast in The CW's "Charmed" reboot. The first iteration of this witchy series ran for eight seasons from 1998-2006 and starred Alyssa Milano, Holly Marie Combs, Shannen Doherty and Rose McGowan (who came aboard for seasons four through eight after Shannen's character was killed off at the end of season three). This time around we have Madeleine Mantock (portraying Macy), Melonie Diaz (Mel) and Sarah Jeffery (Madison) playing the supernatural sisters who discover they are witches after the death of their mother. According to character descriptions provided by The CW: Macy is a geneticist who is described as practical, driven and brilliant, and she's completely shocked by the discovery that she's a witch. Mel is a lesbian and an outspoken activist who loses her way after her mother's death. And Madison is a bubbly college freshman whose new life as a witch conflicts with her goal of being a sorority girl. The pilot of the series is currently in preproduction, so there's no word yet on when or if it will air.



Mathieu Young/The CW

Madeleine Mantock

and form a strong and unlikely family. ***

READERS: There have been some release-date changes for a few big movies due out this spring. "Avengers: Infinity War" has moved up its release date from May 4 to April 27. Upon hearing that news, Warner Bros. bumped the release date of the Rock's latest sure-to-be-blockbuster "Rampage," which is based on the popular video game of the same name, from April 20 to April 13. This will give the movie a full two weeks to try to get its box-office numbers up before "Avengers" comes to take away most of its audience. Amy Schumer also posted on Instagram that her new movie, "I Feel Pretty," will open a week earlier, on April 20, instead of April 27, so as not to have to compete with the "Avengers" audience. Amy jokingly wrote, "I forgot I had a thing. 'I Feel Pretty' will now come out April 20 to avoid any Avenging!! So exciting!"

Q. I loved the TV series based on Charlaine Harris' "Midnight, Texas" books. Will it be back for another season? — *Valentine F., via Facebook*

A. You can bet that NBC renewed the previous summer's No. 1 broadcast drama for another season. For those unfamiliar with the series, it's directed by Niels Arden Oplev, the visionary director of "Mr. Robot," and based on the hit book series from author Charlaine Harris ("True Blood"). The story takes place in a remote Texas town where no one is who they seem. From vampires and witches to psychics and hit men, "Midnight" is a mysterious safe haven for those who are different. As the town members fight off outside pressures, they all band together

Write to Cindy at King Features Weekly Service, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803; or e-mail her at letters@cindyelavsky.com.

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FLASH BACK

POP, ROCK & SOUL TRIVIA BY BARBER

1. Who was the first singer to release "Just One Look" and when?
2. What group had a hit with "Don't You Care"?
3. Who had the 1967 hit with "Sweet Soul Music"?
4. Which Slade song got complaints after it was played on a children's TV show?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "It hurts to see the man that I've become, To know I'll never see the morning sunshine on the land."

- Answers**
1. Doris Troy, in 1963. She also was the song's co-writer. (If you haven't heard this original version, hunt it down online. It's how it was meant to sound.)
 2. The Buckingham, in 1967. It spent 14 weeks on the charts.
 3. Arthur Conley. Despite his U.S. success, Conley moved to the Netherlands. In 1980, he changed his name to Lee Roberts.
 4. "Gypsy Roadhog," in 1977. The song was about a cocaine dealer.
 5. "Indiana Wants Me," by R. Dean Taylor, in 1970. The song tells the story of a man on the run from the police, with police sirens playing in the background. For airplay, those sirens were taken out, as too many drivers thought it was real.

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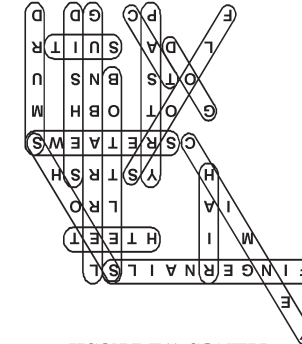
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16TH ANNUAL RI COMMUNITY FOOD BANK BENEFIT CONCERT

The 16th Annual RI Community Food Bank Benefit Concert will be held on Palm Sunday, March 25, 6:30PM at Lakewood Baptist Church, 255 Atlantic Avenue, Warwick. Admission is at least 1 non-perishable food item. A free will offering for the Food Bank will also be taken. Refreshments & fellowship following the concert.

WESTMINSTER UNITARIAN CHURCH USED CLOTHING SALE

Westminster Unitarian Church, 119 Kenyon Avenue, East Greenwich will hold their Used Clothing Sale on Friday, March 23 from 9AM-2PM & Saturday, March 24 from 9AM-12PM. Gently used clothing, shoes accessories, linens, etc. Saturday is Bargain Day, \$5/bag (bag provided)!

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The RI Parrot Rescue is holding a Comedy Fundraiser on March 23 at the Coventry-West Greenwich Elks Lodge, 42 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich. Doors open at 7PM, Show starts at 8PM. Bring your own snacks (optional), Cash Bar & terrific raffles items. Tickets are \$30 each. 100% of proceeds to benefit the welfare of rescued parrots. For tickets, visit funny4funds.com/events

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COVENTRY/WEST GREENWICH LIONS 44TH ANNUAL PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST BUFFET & BAKE SALE

The Coventry/West Greenwich Lions will hold their 44th Annual Palm Sunday Breakfast Buffet & Bake Sale on March 25 from 8-11AM at VFW Post #9404, 29 South Main Street, Coventry. Buffet consists of pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, beans, home fries, juice & coffee. Cost is \$8 per adult, \$4 per child (6-12), children under 6 are guests of the Lions. Be sure to bring your camera because the Easter Bunny will be there. Proceeds to benefit local charities.



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ALZHEIMER'S AWARENESS PROGRAM AT COVENTRY RESOURCE & SENIOR CENTER

The Coventry Resource & Senior Center, 50 Wood Street Coventry, is offering an Alzheimer's Awareness Workshop on March 27 at 10AM. If you or someone you know is experiencing memory loss or behavioral changes, it's time to learn the facts. Know the 10 signs - Early Detection Matters is presented by the Alzheimer's Association.

FREE LEGAL CLINIC AT THE COVENTRY RESOURCE & SENIOR CENTER

The Coventry Resource & Senior Center (formerly the Coventry Senior Center), 50 Wood Street, Coventry, will offer a free "One on One" Legal Clinic on March 23. RI Legal Services will be on site to resolve your Civil (not Criminal) legal issues. Call Cheryl at 821-9175 for an appointment.

HEARING LOSS PROGRAM AT COVENTRY RESOURCE & SENIOR CENTER

The Coventry Resource & Senior Center, 50 Wood Street Coventry, welcomes Beltone New England's Hearing Instrument Specialist, Mark Zarrella on April 4 from 11AM-12PM. Mr. Zarrella will speak and answer questions on the 10 Signs of Hearing Loss as well as conducting FREE Hearing Screenings. Sign up with Pat at the Center or call Mark at 737-1320 for more information.

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4. **Game Night** (R) Jason Bateman, Rachel McAdams
5. **Peter Rabbit** (PG) animated
6. **Annihilation** (R) Natalie Portman, Jennifer Jason Leigh
7. **Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle** (PG-13) Dwayne Johnson, Karen Gillan
8. **Fifty Shades Freed** (R) Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan
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LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) The possibility of a career change is intriguing. Learn more about what it can offer and what it cannot. Weigh everything carefully. And ask questions.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Work is your priority this week as you try to make up for lost time. Expect help from someone who cares about you. Things take a welcome turn by the weekend.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A health problem causes some anxiety early in the week. But prompt medical attention soon eases everyone's concerns. Enjoy an arts-filled weekend.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) As much as you might resent it, a changing situation could require you to adjust your plans accordingly. The good news: An associate agrees to cooperate.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) That old problem is finally resolved, just in time for you to take on a new work-related project. This one could be the super door-opener you've been looking for.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) The early part of the week presents some difficult hurdles. But once you get over them, you can start to focus on matters that are more important to you.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are respected for your honesty and your dedication to doing the right thing, no matter how difficult that might be.

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Congratulations, Lamb. This is the week to finish your project and then bask in your well-earned approval. (And if you like, you also can say "bah" to all those detractors.)

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The bold Bovine could find a new opportunity too intriguing to be ignored. But don't charge into it. Go slowly so you see how things develop as you get more involved.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might try to soften your stand on that important issue. A little more flexibility actually could get you what you're looking for. A new friend enters the picture midweek.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your inner voice is on the mark when it advises you to tackle that family problem now! The sooner you're able to come to terms with it, the better it will be for everyone.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Someone reveals important news about a longtime associate. But before you decide how to deal with this information, make sure it's reliable, and not simply self-serving.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Some intensive soul-searching early in the week can help you reach a decision by week's end that should please both you and the other person involved. Good luck.

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.

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Paw's corner by Sam Mazzotta

When Your Cat Cares a Little Too Much

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I had animals all my life until my wife and dog died seven years ago. I got a cat two years ago when a neighbor moved. Last year, another neighbor gave us her cat after having a baby. The two cats — both fixed females — got along fine from start. What's curious is, one jumps up on my bed every night and walks up to my face. When I put my hand out to pat her, she starts licking my arm, wrist to elbow, with her sandpaper tongue! Seems she is checking that I have not deserted her! Do I taste that good? What's so tempting about my arm? — Dr. William H., Central Falls, Rhode Island

DEAR DR. WILLIAM: You may taste pretty good to your cat, but I think you're on the right track when you say she seems to be checking that you have not deserted her. Many experts believe that cats groom their housemates — both felines and humans — as a way of showing they accept you as family, that they trust you and that they are caring for you.

Sometimes excessive licking is a sign that a cat wants more attention. It can also be a sign of anxiety or stress. However, that seems unlikely since your cat does this routinely and seems calm.

So the only question that remains is: Does it annoy you? If so, try gently redirecting the cat from your arm, maybe to snuggle against your shoulder. If it's really annoying or she doesn't stop after a few redirects, get up and walk away for a few minutes. She may eventually get the message.

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New DVDs Reviewed in This Column Will be Released the Week of March 12, 2018



Ferdinand (PG) — Ferdinand (voiced unironically by former cage fighter John Cena) is a gentle-natured bull with tender tendencies that don't quite lend themselves to bullfighting. Tragically orphaned when he was young, Ferdinand runs away and finds refuge on a florist's farm (he loves flowers!). But an accidental rampage gets him sent back to the bullfighting farm where he was born, and so begins his struggle to return home. With the help of a would-be trainer and goat Lupe (Kate McKinnon), a passel of hedgehogs (there's a back story; stay through the credits) and fellow bulls Bones (Anthony Anderson), Guapo (Peyton Manning) and Valiente (Bobby Cannavale), Ferdinand finds the strength to be vulnerable. It's an endearing story with a sweet, positive message for all ages: Be yourself.

The Shape of Water (R) — One part "Beauty and the Beast," one part "Creature from the Black Lagoon," and 100 percent distinctive, Guillermo del Toro's Oscar-winning Best Film of 2017 involves a cleaning crew, a secret government laboratory and a mysterious underwater creature. Sally Hawkins plays Elisa, a mute member of the two-person janitorial staff (Octavia Spencer is the other, with enough commentary for both) in a highly classified research facility. While cleaning, Elisa meets and forms a relationship with an amphibious being held under lock and key. The patina of the Cold War on the science-experiment setting manages to be both lush and clinical, and the story, while being fairly "out there," is all empathy and heart.

The Disaster Artist (R) — In 2003, writer and director Tommy Wiseau made "The Room," a love story of sorts, absolute trash and sometimes referred to as "The Citizen Kane of Bad Movies." It was a total flop at the

time, but has since carved a niche as a comedy with a cult following. This is the movie about the making of that movie. James Franco directs and stars as Wiseau. In acting classes, he meets fellow thespian Greg Sestero (Dave Franco); Wiseau's passion and zest (and instability) meet Sestero's seemingly bottomless cash drawer (and affability), and a partnership is born. Absolutely brimming with cameos, it even has some side-by-side comparisons with the original film that will have you in tears.



Blue Sky Studio/20th Century Fox
Scene from "Ferdinand"

I, Tonya (R) — The incredibly mostly true and absolutely in-your-face story of groundbreaking figure skater and notorious Olympic bad sport Tonya Harding (Margot Robbie). From her unabashedly redneck upbringing and disastrously offensive mother (played in high glory by Allison Janney) to her allegedly abusive, estranged husband Jeff Gillooly (Stan Sebastian) and the scandalous clubbing of fellow skater Nancy Kerrigan. It's a dark comedy as well-executed as a Harding triple axel.

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Homemade Microwave Meals Are Time-Saver

I've found that using my microwave oven saves hours of time and keeps my kitchen clean and cool. The history of the microwave oven goes back to 1946, when Dr. Percy Spencer, an electronics genius and war hero, was touring one of the labs at the Raytheon Company. It was testing a vacuum tube called a magnetron, the power tube that drives a radar set. As Dr. Percy stood in front of the "radar box," a candy bar in his pocket melted.

Dr. Percy tried other experiments with food, including using popcorn kernels. He designed a metal box around the magnetron with microwave power. Engineers developed and refined the idea, and the first commercial microwave oven hit the market in 1947. However, original response was negative, and it wasn't until 1975 that a microwave oven was created for home kitchens.

I encourage you to read the instruction book that came with your microwave oven. It's the easiest way to discover all its features and how to use them. My microwave has all of the usual function, but I especially love the warming oven feature. It cycles on and off so that I can hold dinner for my husband when he's running late,

or keep a casserole dish warm during the holidays.

You can use your microwave to prepare everything from appetizers to desserts. It's also energy efficient, so it won't heat up your kitchen. And it helps to retain more nutrients in your foods during cooking. In some cases, a microwave is the best way to cook a dish, especially ones with vegetables, because they'll have better taste and texture.

When cooking on any power level other than HIGH, the oven cooks by cycling power on and off, so the energy has a chance to move through the food without overcooking it. HIGH is usually reserved for cooking, while MEDIUM and LOW power are generally used to soften, melt and defrost foods. Carefully follow the recipe when using your microwave, and you'll have beautifully cooked meals every time.



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This recipe for Quick Stuffed Bell Peppers is easy to assemble and cooks in minutes. It freezes well, so double the recipe, and when you're pressed for time you'll have a homemade meal in just minutes!

QUICK STUFFED BELL PEPPERS

- 8 bell peppers, tops removed and cut into a small dice, white membrane and seeds removed and discarded
- 1 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese, divided

- 1 pound lean ground beef or turkey
 - 5 crackers, crushed into fine crumbs
 - 1 Eggland's Best egg, slightly beaten
 - 1 (3 ounce) package dehydrated onion soup mix
 - 1 tablespoon steak sauce
 - 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon black pepper
- Tomato Sauce Topping:**
- 8 ounces tomato sauce
 - 2 tablespoons salsa
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon black pepper
 - 2 tablespoons brown sugar
1. Using a large bowl, gently mix together the diced pepper tops, 1/2 cup of cheese, ground meat, crackers, egg, soup mix, steak sauce, Worcestershire sauce, salt and black pepper.
 2. Stuff the prepared peppers with the ground meat mixture, and stand them upright in a lightly greased 12-by-8-by-2-inch baking dish.
 3. Combine the tomato sauce, salsa, salt, pepper and brown sugar. Mix well and pour over peppers.
 4. Cover tightly with microwave-safe plastic wrap; fold back small edge for steam to escape. Microwave on HIGH 12 to 15 minutes, until the filling is hot and pepper is almost tender. Let stand 6 to 8 minutes. Sprinkle peppers with the remaining cheese. Serve with a side of rice and a salad.
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COVENTRY PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS...

Coventry Public Library, 1672 Flat River Road, Coventry welcomes Rod Mather, expert Marine Archaeologist, of URI as he presents "Shipwrecks in the Narragansett" on March 22 at 7PM. He is perhaps best known for his studies of shipwrecks around the world, including Revolutionary War Ship in Narragansett Bay, the USS Monitor off the coast of Virginia, the shipwrecks of Bermuda & a fleet of German World War 1 ships in the Atlantic Canyons off Virginia. Call Jane at 822-9104 or email js@coventrylibrary.org

STORY PROGRAMS AT COVENTRY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Coventry Public Library, 1672 Flat River Road, will begin Registration for Spring Story Programs on March 12. **Rock & Read** for ages birth-12 months on Monday at 9:30AM & for 13-23 months at 10:30AM. **Tales for 2's** on Wednesdays at 10AM. **Storytimes** for 3-8-year olds on Thursdays & Fridays at 10AM. Register at the Library or by calling 822-9102.

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Coventry Public Library, 1672 Flat River Road, Coventry, will offer a Babysitter's Training Course conducted by the RI Chapter of the American Red Cross on April 20 from 9AM-4PM for boys & girls ages 11-16. A non-refundable fee of \$90 (includes instruction & materials) is required at registration which begins March 19. The Library will provide free lunch & snacks. Space is limited. To register or for more information, call 822-9102.

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On **March 28, 1814**, the funeral of Guillotin, the inventor and namesake of the infamous execution device, takes place in France. The machine was intended to show the intellectual and social progress of the Revolution: By killing aristocrats and journeymen the same way, equality in death was ensured.

On **March 31, 1836**, the first monthly installment of "The Posthumous Papers of the Pickwick Club," by 24-year-old writer Charles Dickens, is published under the pseudonym Boz. Only 400 copies were printed, but by the 15th episode, 40,000 copies were printed.

On **March 27, 1912**, two Yoshina cherry trees are planted on the bank of the Potomac River, as part of a gift of 3,020 cherry trees from Japan to the United States. After World War II, cuttings were sent back to Japan to restore the Tokyo collection that was decimated by American bombing attacks during the war.

On **April 1, 1984**, Motown singer Marvin Gaye is shot and killed by his father as a result of a longstanding feud. The father, a preacher, was a hard-drinking cross-dresser who envied his son's success, and Marvin Jr. clearly harbored unresolved feelings toward his abusive father.

On **March 26, 1997**, police in Rancho Santa Fe, California, discover 39 victims of a mass suicide. They were members of the "Heaven's Gate" religious cult, whose leaders preached that suicide would allow them to leave their bodily "containers" and enter an alien spacecraft hidden behind the Hale-Bopp comet.

On **March 29, 1999**, the Dow Jones industrial average closes above 10,000 for the first time, at 10,006.78.

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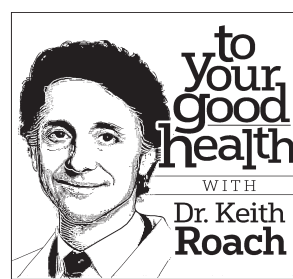
- 16 ounces skinned and boned uncooked chicken breast, cut into 36 pieces
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- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- 2 (14-ounce) cans Swanson Lower Sodium Fat Free Chicken Broth
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme (optional)
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice or 2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar

In a large soup pot, combine uncooked chicken, cabbage, celery, carrots, tomatoes, garlic, parsley, chicken broth, thyme, black pepper and lemon juice or vinegar. Bring mixture to a boil. Lower heat and simmer for one hour. Makes 8 (1 1/2 cup) servings.

TIP: Lean beef roast and beef broth can be used in place of chicken breast and chicken broth.

Each serving equals: 114 calories, 2g fat, 15g protein, 9g carbs, 98mg sodium, 48mg calcium, 2g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 2 Meat, 2 Vegetable; Carb Choices: 1 1/2.

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Unnecessary Procedure on Terminal Patient

DEAR DR. ROACH: My mother has stage 4 cancer. She just went to a dermatologist, who performed Mohs surgery on her nose. I am beyond upset by this unethical behavior. The country is already deeply in debt, and Medicare is paying for this? Unconscionable! Not to mention the pain and suffering of my mother, who is now at risk of a secondary infection. I was sickened by the entire ordeal. — J.B.

ANSWER: I agree with you completely that often patients with terminal diseases receive unnecessary care. There have been studies clearly documenting this. However, the studies don't answer why, in a particular case, a physician performed these treatments, which add only pain, anxiety and expense.

I suppose it is possible that the motivation is simple greed; however, I still have enough faith in my colleagues that I think that is a very unusual reason; I think it's far more likely that a specialist just doesn't see the big picture. There's an old expression that when all you have is a hammer, the whole world looks like a nail, and I think some specialists see a problem and fix it without realizing that the problem they are fixing isn't likely to ever cause symptoms.

For example, primary-care doctors order unnecessary tests, especially screening tests. I see mammograms ordered for women with advanced colon or ovarian cancer who are in palliative care, and this makes no sense. I have heard some physicians mention that insurance companies monitor the

frequency of "quality indicators," such as mammograms, which affect their ratings and reimbursement. That's an example of a well-meaning system motivating wrong behavior.

I should emphasize that not all care for terminal patients is useless. If the goal is to improve quality of life or reduce suffering, then I am all for it, after a consideration of the costs (pain and inconvenience as well as dollar costs).

DEAR DR. ROACH: I have heard of yeast infections, but I don't know what causes them. How do they affect the body, and what can be done to get rid of them? — C.R.

ANSWER: Certain yeasts, but especially the *Candida* species, are found on our skin, mucus membranes and GI tract. They normally live in balance with the 100 trillion or so bacteria we carry around. However, yeast can cause disease that ranges from fairly mild, like thrush of the mouth or vagina, to life-threatening, like a blood-borne, widely disseminated invasive infection.

Candida infection of mucus membranes is usually caused by changes in our bacteria, especially after the use of antibiotics. The antibiotics kill the bacteria they are supposed to (hopefully), but they also may kill the healthy bacteria that assist us in digestion (leading to diarrhea or worse), and this allows the other bacteria and yeast to grow.

Some people with genetic faults in their immune system are predisposed to chronic *Candida* infections. These are uncommon but can be severe, and may require treatment by specialists, such as infectious disease doctors and immunologists.

The life-threatening yeast infections generally happen in people with severe illness and with poor immune system function.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever 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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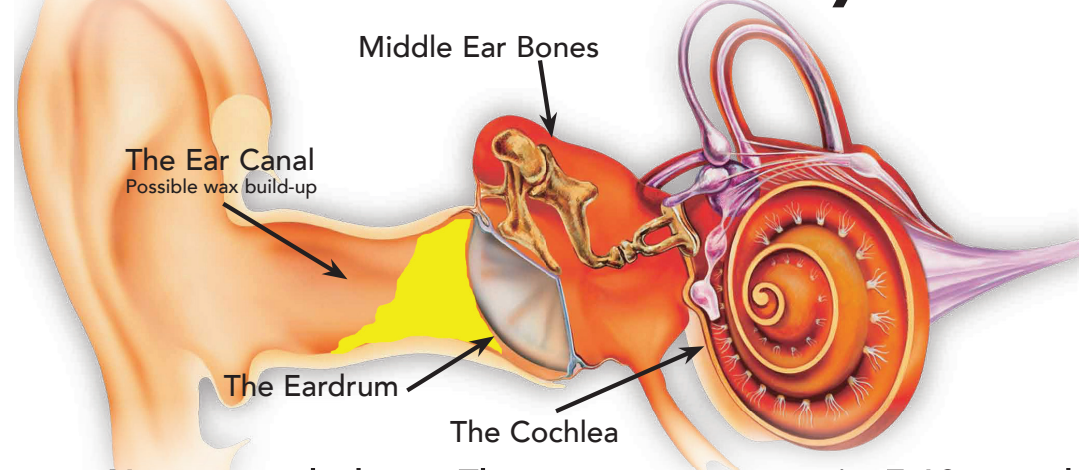
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THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

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DAYS OF OUR LIVES

Brady reeled from the fallout of his non-wedding to Eve. Ciara and Tripp finally kissed. Later, Claire was stunned by Ciara's news. Adrienne shared a warm reunion with Steve. Abigail sought help from Kayla. Chad found some incriminating evidence in Stefan's office. Gabi confronted Lani about her one-night stand with Eli. Valerie tried to talk JJ out of marrying Lani until the baby arrived. Abigail's other personality, Gabby, opened up to Stefan. Chad confided in Kate about his concern for Abigail. JJ called out Valerie on her negativity toward him and Lani. Eli laid down the law with Julie. Chad confronted Stefan about Andre's phone. **Wait to See:** Chad doesn't approve of Abigail traveling to Hong Kong with Stefan.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

Franco pleaded with Drew. Carly tried to be encouraging with Sonny. Peter paid Griffin a visit. Anna



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confronted Valentin. Kiki got a big surprise. Franco risked losing everything. Nelle showed her maternal side. Finn called Alexis. Curtis was taken aback. Drew forged an unlikely partnership. Spinelli got a hot lead. Nina was put off by Peter's interest in Maxie. Ned was getting in over his head. Julian and Kim commiserated together. Drew grew frustrated with Franco. Ned lost his temper. Griffin had some tough questions for Peter. Anna vented to Andre. Michael confided in Carly. **Wait to See:** Ava wonders if Nelle is taking her plan too far.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS

Hilary and Devon gave Shauna a tour of GC Buzz. Lily decided to launch a new modeling agency under the Hamilton-Winters merger. Ashley and Traci were startled when Dina thought it was the day of her own high-school formal. Victor arrived and sweetly played along, pretending to be Dina's date for the evening. Hilary was impressed when she saw how natural Devon was with baby Sam. Abby warned Victoria that she and Ashley soon would take over Newman Enterprises. Nick was suspicious of his mother's behavior. Victoria tried to make amends with J.T., but it was clear she didn't trust him. **Wait to See:** Billy receives an intriguing invitation.



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 6. Who was the first U.S. male to win a World Cup downhill skiing race?
 7. Golfer Phil Mickelson set a record in 2017 for most career victories (26) in the Presidents Cup. Who had held the mark?

Answers

- Justin Verlander in 2011, and Clayton Kershaw in 2014.
- Nine pitchers.
- Earl Campbell in 1980, when the franchise was in Houston.
- It was 2008 (Kansas, North Carolina, UCLA and Memphis).
- Pittsburgh's Mario Lemieux, in 1992.
- Bill Johnson, in 1984.
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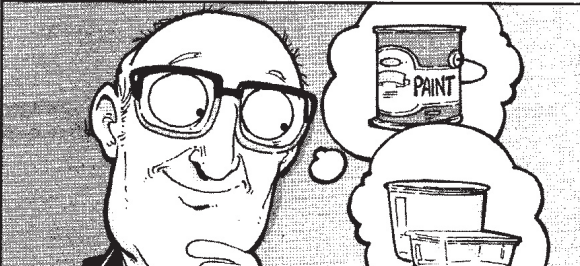
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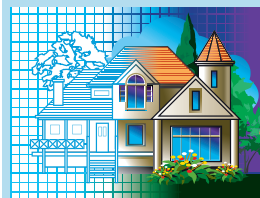
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While the economic impacts of homeownership are well known, there are other benefits that are just as, if not more, valuable. For instance, homeownership is at the core of community building. The stability gained in an area through consistent ownership creates strong, cohesive relationships and social networks.

Likewise, neighborhoods with more family-owned homes than rentals experience higher property values and social capital, according to a Harvard University review. Compared to renters, homeowners display increased civic engagement and feel a greater sense of responsibility to invest time, money and resources in community and environmental improvements.

Collectively, these factors lead to better school systems, lower crime rates and stable neighborhood growth—a ripple effect that persists for generations.

While renting undoubtedly allows for the ability to move and explore, homeownership enables the freedom to customize one's home to truly reflect personality and lifestyle. Unlike renting, a lack of restrictions allows space for self-expression and personalized functionality, two of the biggest contributors to personal growth and life satisfaction, as recognized by psychologists around the world.

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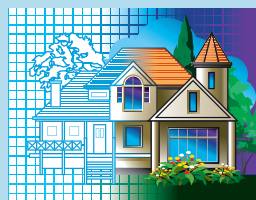
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- **Plan your needs.** Draw a sketch of your yard. Include any major features such as trees, bushes, an herb or vegetable garden, flower beds, lawn furniture, play or sports equipment, an outdoor patio, or birdbath. Note where maintenance may be required. Will bushes need to be trimmed back from your home or garage? Do you want to put in some flowering bushes or a tree? Are you planning to install a fence and more grass because of your pet? Now list the tools and equipment needed to take care of your yard and what will make the job easier.
- **Consider equipment needed.** Visit your garage or shed and find all your lawn and garden tools. Wheel out your mower and get out other equipment. Look it over and make a list of what's needed or could be upgraded. Repair anything that needs attention or identify where a newer or other machine is required. If you have a large vegetable garden, you need a cultivator or tiller. If you have a large lawn, an upgrade to a riding lawn mower might make mowing easier. A string trimmer

might make caring for bushes or trimming grass near a fence line easier. A pole pruner can help trim back limbs that are too high to reach safely with a saw and a leaf blower can clear leaves faster than a rake.

- **Research equipment online before you buy.** Think about efficiencies of scale. The right equipment can mean more time for other activities and make doing yard work more enjoyable, too. Doing online research in advance can help you pick the right equipment for the job. Outdoor power equipment can be gas, electric or battery powered and technology is rapidly affecting product design. There are even robotic lawn mowers available today. Equipment may be sized to handle a smaller job or a massive one. Ultimately, your decision should be based on your needs.
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News You Can Use For The Household Well Owner

(NAPS)—If you're one of the estimated 34 million Americans who use well water, you may be pleased to know there's a fount of information about the care and maintenance of your well available to you.



Well owners can tap into a stream of helpful advice.

Private well owners are responsible for their water systems, and now have an unprecedented number of practical online tools and resources that can help them be good managers of their wells and water. This help spans proper well construction, water testing and water treatment to well system maintenance and groundwater protection.

Where To Turn
These resources are provided by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Rural Community Assistance Partnership through partners including the National Ground Water Association (NGWA), the University of Illinois (UI) and the Water Systems Council (WSC).

What You Can Learn
UT's www.PrivateWellClass.org provides:

- 10 e-mail lessons on groundwater science, emergencies, finding help, water testing and treatment, and well construction, operation and maintenance
- 16 short videos on similar topics
- Recorded webinars
- Podcasts.

On **WSC's** www.WaterSystemsCouncil.org you can find:

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- 17 short lessons on well construction and maintenance, water testing and treatment, and more
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- Monthly e-mail tip sheets

- A directory of water well and water treatment professionals
- A directory of drinking water testing laboratories
- Answers to frequently asked questions. For example, the following:
Question: Should I test water from my water treatment system periodically?

Answer: Yes. First, check the water treatment system owner's manual for recommendations on water testing. If you do not have that information, contact the manufacturer or go online to see if you can find the maintenance information for your product's make and model.

Generally, treated water should be tested after the treatment system is installed to make sure it is working. You can also test the water after the treatment system is serviced to make sure it is working properly. Another reason to test is if the treatment system has not been maintained according to the product maintenance recommendations. Neglecting maintenance such as the timely replacement or cleaning of a filter could impair the treatment system's effectiveness.

The site also offers quizzes with such questions as this one:

Question: A breach in a well system at or near the surface that can cause turbid water is:

- a) A hole or break in the well casing
- b) A broken, missing or unsecured well cap
- c) Deteriorated grouting that has allowed surface runoff to infiltrate the well
- d) All of the above.

The correct answer is d), all of the above—a hole or break in the casing; a broken, missing or unsecured well cap; and deteriorated grouting.



• "To make sure I'm drinking water throughout the day, I use a permanent marker to designate levels on my large reusable water cup. I labeled them 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. That's for a big one that sits on my desk at work. I have another for at home. This way I am not trying to play catch up later in the day." —*A.L. in Oklahoma*

• Three ways to save money on water-heater bills: 1) Set your temperature gauge to a lower setting. 2) Install a timer so that it's not heating water when you aren't there to use it. 3) Add an insulating cover to keep heat from escaping.

• Game changer: "When dunking a sandwich cookie (e.g. Oreos), jab a fork into the filling. Then you can dunk the whole thing or part of it without getting your fingers all milky — or your milk all 'fingery.'" —*A.J. in Florida*

• When you microwave leftovers on a flat plate, be sure to spread them out for even heating. The classic ring of food is best — leaving the center of the plate empty. Slice already-cooked potatoes, and cover with a moistened paper towel.

• Need to light a pillar candle inside a hurricane glass? Use a stick of spaghetti! The pasta stick lights easily, and it's long enough to give you the reach you need. It burns evenly, too.

• "If you like to save money by buying large packs of meat — say, ground beef or chicken tenderloins — here's a great tip for storing them: Fill quart-size freezer bags, making sure to get out as much air as possible. Then stack flat on top of a pizza box in the freezer." —*T.L. in Missouri*

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Perfume Lamp

In the unsanitary world of the 18th and 19th century, bad smells were everywhere. There was no garbage pickup, no indoor flushing toilets and no refrigeration to keep food from spoiling. In the 1800s, a special lamp was used to remove the strong odors in hospitals and mortuaries. It was a catalytic lamp that burned an alcohol-based fuel. A cotton wick burned for a few minutes to heat a stone.



This chorus girl lamp in a top hat and red dress was made in the Art Deco style of the 1920s. It sold for over twice the estimate at \$1,968.

After the flame was out, the heated stone turned odors into carbon dioxide and water.

In 1897, a Frenchman improved the lamp by adding perfume to the fuel to make a scented room. Many lamps were made in figural shapes suitable for a living room or bedroom. Today, perfume lamps heat with electricity. The best 20th-century perfume lamps were made by French makers Robj, Aladin or Etling. A perfume lamp shaped like an Art Deco chorus girl sold at a Skinner auction in Boston several years ago for \$1,968. The 10-inch lamp was marked "Meu Bach Aladin."

Q. Vintage sofas are much lower priced than new ones. I like Victorian sofas with curved backs, but don't want to learn my bargain sofa has a problem I can't fix.

A. If you want a 19th-century sofa, you should buy from a knowledgeable dealer. So little of the frame shows that it is difficult to tell a 19th-century sofa from an early 20th-century one. We once told the boss at a house sale that we would pay the asking price for a sofa if we could slit the back upholstery to be sure the frame was old. The marks from old tools said it was old, and we bought it.

Smell any old upholstered furniture. Often, the smell will not leave. Decide if the upholstery is a color and condition you want to live with. Re-upholstering furniture is very expensive. Sit on the sofa to be sure it is comfortable. Some seats are low, bumpy, too narrow or much harder than most modern pieces. Some of that can be fixed with decorative pillows. Be sure you can get it in your van or car. If you want to use it in a basement or second-floor room, the stairs may have too low a ceiling or a turn that makes it impossible to take it inside. But if all looks OK, you will have a sturdy bargain.

TIP: You can use an old iron cooking utensil. The finish on the iron will not be damaged if you wash the item properly after using it. Don't let it get rusty.

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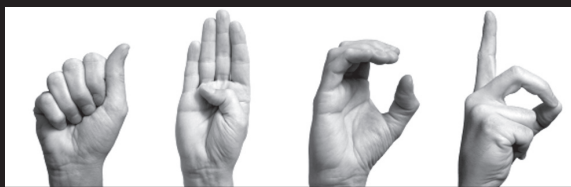
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