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Wiley Post



In October 1926 an accident on a drilling rig cost Post his left eye. For some the loss of an eye might put an end to dreams of fame and fortune as a pilot but not for Post. He accepted neither self-pity nor the abandonment of his goals. He knew what he wanted and not even the loss of an eye was going to dissuade him. Indeed, he used the insurance settlement from the accident to purchase his first airplane.

Post made the first around-the-world solo flight in the Winnie Mae in seven days, 18 hours and 49 1/2 minutes in 1931.

Interested in making flights in the stratosphere, Post conceived and helped design and test the first fully pressurized flying suit and helmet. Reached an altitude of 50,000 feet in super charged Winnie Mae and discovered jet streams

Was killed in a 1935 airplane accident with Will Rogers in Point Barrow, Alaska,

Biography

Wiley Hardeman Post was born near Grand Saline, Texas in 1898. He died in an airplane takeoff crash with his dear friend, the renowned humorist, Will Rogers, near Point Barrow, Alaska, on August 15th, 1935. In the mere 36 years of his life, Post achieved more than most men who live to a ripe old age. His biography stands as an inspiration to the youth of America.

Post's exploits were varied. While a young man in oil fields, he lost an eye in December 1925. Post took the insurance compensation, about \$1,800, and bought his first airplane. In it on June 27th, 1927 he eloped from Sweetwater, Texas with Miss Mae Laine, who now resides in Halls, Texas. In 1928 Post became a personal pilot to F.C. Hall, an Oklahoma oilman, and in Hall's plane the Winnie Mae, he won the Derby of the National Air Races from Los Angeles to Chicago in 1930. On June 23rd, 1931, he and Harold Gatty, a navigator, took off from Roosevelt Field Long Island, and eight days, fifteen hours and fifty-one minutes.

In 1934 he designed his "Man from Mars" flying suit and made an unofficial ascent to 49,000 feet. His altitude experiments, however, were merely incidental to his real purpose of exploring the sub-stratosphere as a medium to high speed transport. He predicted the development of such craft as the supersonic transport and the possibility of space travel. He recognized the importance of biological rhythms to pilot proficiency and fatigue, and was one of the first to conduct human factors research in this area. He conducted secret studies in the U.S. Army's Air Service's high altitude chamber which came to light not too long ago. Post discovered the Jet Stream. Post achieved other significant accomplishments in the short span of his life. Post truly stands as the pivotal point between the hitor-miss techniques of the open cockpit biplane era and the scientific approach of today's aerospace age.



Post received the Distinguished Flying Cross in 1932 by act of Congress and won the Collier Trophy in the same year. In 1934 he won the Gold Medal of Belgium and the Harmon Trophy. He was given two New York City ticker tape parades and the keys to the city. He was honored twice at the White House by two Presidents, Hoover abd Roosevelt. In summary, Wiley Post's life, though ended by a tragedy, stands as one of the monumental achievement. Post was truly a great scientific aviation pioneer and his accomplishments immeasurably aided the advancement of aviation.



Where Is God?



A couple had two little boys, ages 8 and 10, who were excessively mischievous. The two were always getting into trouble and their parents could be assured that if any mischief occurred in their town their two young sons were in some way involved.

The parents were at their wits end as to what to do about their sons' behavior. The mother had heard that a clergyman in town had been successful in disciplining children in the past, so she asked her husband if he thought they should send the boys to speak with the clergyman.

The husband said, 'We might as well. We need to do something before I really lose my temper!' The clergyman agreed to speak with the boys, but asked to see them individually. The 8 year old went to meet with him first. The clergyman sat the boy down and asked him sternly, 'Where is God?'

The boy made no response, so the clergyman repeated the question in an even sterner tone, 'Where is God?' again the boy made no attempt to answer. So the clergyman raised his voice even more and shook his finger in the boy's face, 'WHERE IS GOD?'

At that the boy bolted from the room and ran directly home, slamming himself in the closet. His older brother followed him into the closet and asked what had happened. The younger brother replied, 'We are in BIG trouble this time. God is missing and they think we did it.'

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The History of State Fairs in America

In some circles, a state fair is the highly anticipated culmination of the subtleties, quirks, and characteristics that define that particular state's people and places. It's a time to celebrate statehood in a way that's



uniquely tailored to the state's attractions and excitements. Daytime excitements often include arts and crafts, livestock judging and food vendors galore, while nighttime attractions swing toward bright neon lights, spinning carnival rides, and spotlight arenas hosting demolition derbies, tractor pulls, and rodeos. State fairs are meant to entertain and bring people together, and the biggest state fairs in the nation see millions of people in attendance year after year. Let's take a quick dive into how this tradition began and the history that followed.

State Fairs Began as Unofficial Sheep Sheering Demonstrations

One man and his sheep are often given credit for lighting the first spark to what would later become the state fair tradition. Elkanah Watson began raising Merino sheep on a farm in Pittsfield, Massachusetts in the early 1800s. Watson, proud of his



sheep, brought two prized specimens to Park Square for all to see in 1807, drawing a sizable crowd. Watson's sheep parades (he was known to take his sheep to the square on more than one occasion) began the gears turning on what would become the first agricultural fair in the United States that year. It would consist of Watson's sheep and sheering demonstrations only.

By 1811, Watson had helped organize the Berkshire Agricultural Society, a group of friends and farmers, and local agricultural fairs evolved to include cattle shows and livestock showcases. The notion soon caught on, and communities outside of Massachusetts began hosting their own agricultural fairs. These types of events eventually grew in size and scope to become state fairs.

The Very First State Fair Was Held in New York

State fairs as they exist today—a cornucopia of carnival rides, neon-lighted games, and inexpensive novelty prizes—didn't take root until the late 20th century. The one-and-only original state fair was officially held in 1841 in Syracuse, New York, as a recreational gathering and agricultural competition. This inaugural state



fair began as a natural extension of the New York State Agricultural Society and was first organized in an attempt to promote agricultural improvement. Approximately 15,000 people gathered in Syracuse in late September 1841 to enjoy a plowing contest, sample manufactured goods, and view animal exhibits. The first state fair was appropriately called the New York State Fair, but it would see a number of distinctive titles throughout the years. These included the New York State Agricultural and Industrial Exposition (1938) and the New York State Exposition (1961). Today, given its history and long-standing tradition, the annual event still held in Syracuse is called The Great New York State Fair, and more than a million people attend every year

The Rest is State Fair History

States began to catch the fair bug after the success of the New York State Fair in 1841. Livestock shows and the likes grew in size and popularity, but nothing compared to New York's state fair un-



til Michigan joined the party in 1849. The Michigan State Fair, held in Detroit, was one of the first statewide fairs in the United States.

States like Texas, Maine, South Carolina, Iowa, and more would jump on the state fair bandwagon over the next half-decade, hosting their own statewide events and increasing annual attendance as popularity spread. Livestock shows and sheep sheering were still part of the appeal, but as state fairs grew, so too did their entertainment offerings. Soon, state fairs included things like x-ray machine demonstrations, vehicle showcases, and telephone/television/photography exhibitions.

State Fairs, World Fairs, and Technology Expos Abound Today

State fairs paved the way in America for larger, more elaborate, often-specialized events held in the country, and people continue to create new and exciting events for the public to enjoy. The first World's Fair event



hosted in the United States took place in New York City in 1853 and was called the Exhibition of the Industry of All Nations (AKA the New York Crystal Palace Exhibition). More than a dozen similar World's Fairs have been hosted in the United States since that time. Today, annually, hundreds of different events and expositions are held all around the country, ranging from individual state fairs to pop culture exhibitions and consumer electronics shows.

6 Amazing Facts About the Dallas Cowboys You Probably Don't Know



6. Cowboys Are Tied For The Most Playoff Wins in NFL History

In the history of their storied franchise, Dallas has won 33 postseason games, tied with the Steelers for the most in NFL history. The Cowboys do have the record for most games played in playoff history (58) by themselves

5. The Cowboys Allowed The Fewest Points In Super **Bowl History**

Teams have dished out some dominating performances in the Super Bowl, but there was no defensive performance better than the Cowboys. In Super Bowl VI, the Cowboys held the Miami Dolphins to just 3 total points. No team has scored fewer.

4. The Longest Run In NFL History Was Done With Only 10 Players

Everyone knows Tony Dorsett has the longest run in history with a 99 play in 1982, but not all fans know just how hard it really was. Ron Springs, the fullback of the Dallas Cowboys, was not on the field at the time. Dorsett's 99-yard scamper was done without one of his lead blockers, which makes the already ridiculous run even more crazy.

3. Michael Irvin and Emitt Smith Had The Most Successful WR/RB Season Of All Time

These Hall of Famers are regarded as arguably the best running back/wide receiver duo in NFL history. If you look at their 1995 season, you can pretty much end the argument right there. Smith and Irvin became the first and only wide receiver/running back duo to each amass 1,600+ yards in a single season.

2. The Cowboys Have The Only Super Bowl MVP On The Losing Team

The Cowboys may have lost Super Bowl V on a lastsecond field goal to the Baltimore Colts, but they did go home with some hardware. Chuck Howely was named Super Bowl MVP even though his team lost. No player in the history of the Super Bowl Era has won the MVP while losing the game since.

1. The Cowboys Were The First Expansion Team In The NFL

While other teams came from the AFL and other leagues, the Dallas Cowboys were the first true born expansion team. In 1960, Dallas welcomed the Cowboys to their city and never looked back. Now, the Cowboys are one of the most iconic franchises in the history of sports.





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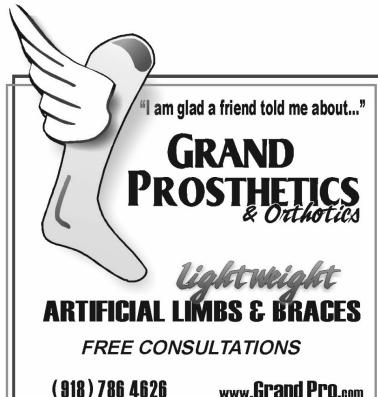


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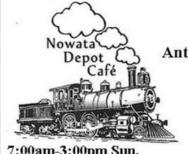


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A Perfect Marriage?

A man and woman had been married for more than 60 years. They had shared everything. They had talked about everything. They had kept no secrets from each other, except that the little old woman had a shoe box in the top of her closet that she had cautioned her husband never to open or ask her about.

For all of these years, he had never thought about the box, but one day, the little old woman got very sick and the doctor said she would not recover.

In trying to sort out their affairs, the little old man took down the shoe box and took it to his wife's bedside. She agreed that it was time that he should know what was in the box. When he opened it, he found two crocheted dolls and a stack of money totaling \$95,000.

He asked her about the contents. "When we were to be married," she said, "my grandmother told me the secret of a happy marriage was to never argue. She told me that if I ever got angry with you, I should just keep quiet and crochet a doll."

The little old man was so moved; he had to fight back tears. Only two precious dolls were in the box. She had only been angry with him two times in all those years of living and loving. He almost burst with happiness.

"Honey," he said, "that explains the dolls, but what about all of this money? Where did it come from?"

"Oh," she said. "That's the money I made from selling the dolls."

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Grandma's Story of a Piece of Cake



A little boy is telling his Grandma how everything is going wrong. School, family problems, severe health problems, etc.

Meanwhile, Grandma if baking a cake. She asks her grandson if he would like a snack which of, course, he does.

"Here, have some cooking oil."

"Yuck" says the boy.

"How about a couple of raw eggs?"

"Gross, Grandma!"

"Would you like some flour then? Or maybe baking so-da?"

"Grandma, those are all yucky!"

To which Grandma replies: "Yes, all those things seem bad all by themselves. But when they are put together in the right way, they make a wonderfully delicious cake! God works the same way. Many times we wonder why He would let us go through such bad and difficult times. But God knows that when He puts these things all in His order, they always work for good. We just have to trust Him and, eventually they will all make something wonderful!"

God is Crazy About YOU! He send you flowers every Spring and sunrise every morning. Whenever you want to talk, He'll listen. He can live anywhere in the universe yet He chose your heart.

Hope your day is a "piece of cake."

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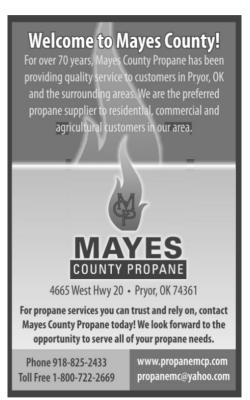


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The Master's Vessel

The Master was searching for a vessel to use; on the shelf there were many—which one would He choose? Take me, cried the gold one, I'm shiny and bright, I'm of great value and I do things just right. My beauty and luster will outshine the rest and for someone like You, Master, gold would be the best! The Master passed on with no word at all.

He looked at a silver urn, narrow and tall; I'll serve You, dear Master, I'll pour out Your wine and I'll be at Your table whenever You dine, my lines are so graceful, my carvings so true, and my silver will always compliment You. Unheeding, the Master passed on to the brass.

It was wide mouthed and shallow, and polished like glass. Here! Here! Cried the vessel, I know I will do, Place me on Your table for all men to view. Look at me, called the goblet of crystal so clear, my transparency shows my comtents so dear, though fragile am I, I will serve You with pride, and I'm sure I'll be happy in Your house to abide.

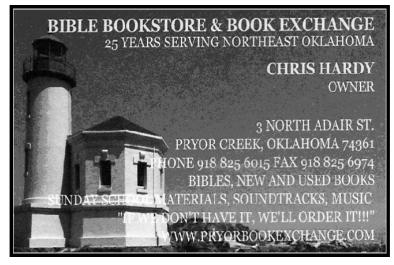
The Master came next to a vessel of wood, Polished and carved, it solidly stood. You may use me, dear Master, the wooden bowl said, but I'd rather You used me for fruit, not for bread!

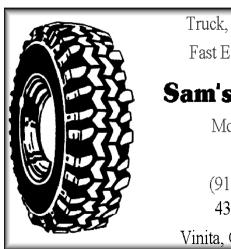
Then the Master looked down and saw a vessel of clay. Empty and broken it helplessly lay. No hope had the vessel that the Master might choose, to cleanse and make whole, to fill and to use.

Ah! This is the vessel I've been hoping to find, I will mend and use it and make it all Mine. I need not the vessel with pride of itself; nor the one who is narrow to sit on the shelf; nor the one who is big mouthed and shallow and loud; nor the one who displays his contents so proud; nor the one who thinks he can do all things just right.

But this plain earthy vessel filled with My power and might. Then gently He lifted the vessel of clay. Mended and cleansed it and filled it that day. Spoke to it kindly. There's work you must do, just pour out to others as I pour into you.

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Teacher Illustrates Why God Does Not Exist

In her first grade classroom, a young teacher was starting to explain the theory of evolution to her students. She directed her first questions to Tommy in the front

row.

Teacher: Tommy, do you see the

tree outside? Tommy : Yes.

Teacher: Tommy, do you see the

grass outside? Tommy : Yes.

Teacher: Go outside and look up and see if you can see the sky. Tommy: Okay. (He returned a mi-

nute later) Yes, I saw the sky. Teacher: Did you see God?

Tommy: No.

Teacher: That's my point.

We can't see God because he isn't

there. He doesn't exist.



A little girl, Sarah, spoke up and wanted to ask Tommy some questions too.

The teacher agreed.

Sarah: Tommy, do you see the tree outside?

Tommy: Yes.

Sarah: Tommy, do you see the grass outside?

Tommy: Yessssssss (getting tired of the questions by

this time).

Sarah : Did you see the sky? Tommy : Yesssssssss.

Sarah: Tommy, do you see the teacher?

Tommy: Yes.

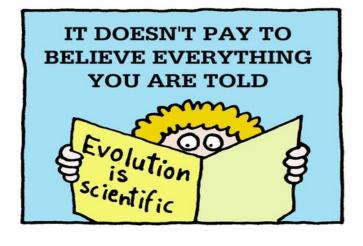
Sarah : Do you see her brain?

Tommy: No.

Sarah: Then, according to what we were taught in school

today, she must not have one!

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Two Struggling Icons — Route 66 and Monarch Butterflies — Make for Strange Bedfellows

Casey Wichmann was just a few weeks into her new role as executive director of the Illinois Route 66 Scenic Byway when folks at the Illinois Department of Transportation reached out with a proposition: Let's partner on a monarch butterfly flyway.

For Wichmann, whose job is to promote economic development and tourism in small towns along Illinois' stretch of the historic yet officially defunct highway, the request was a bit of a head-scratcher.

"I was like, 'What? How do the two even go together?" Wichmann recalled. "And then we started talking. It's actually a natural fit."

What the roadway can do for the butterfly is simple: Route 66 in Illinois happens to follow the natural migratory path of the monarch, the numbers of which have dropped dramatically in recent years due to the loss of habitat.

matically in recent years due to the loss of habitat. While the department of transportation, which manages 400,000 acres of roadside vegetation, has committed to building monarch-friendly corridors along its property (corridors that benefit other pollinators, too), the scenic byway's footprint is even greater, spanning a width of 66 miles — 33 miles on each side of the route. With the byway's buy-in, monarchs would have even more places to eat and rest on their 2,000-mile journey between summer breeding grounds and winter hibernation, further boosting the species' chance at survival. OK, but how do monarchs return the favor? To be blunt, the businesses on the byway can't survive solely on Route 66's "take a trip down memory lane" appeal. "We've got this magnificent road, that is far less traveled than it used to be," Wichmann said. "While it is chock full of history and nostalgia, we have a

new wave of tourists coming in, and they want the old, but they also want the new." A monarch flyway, studded with sanctuaries, gardens and more, sends the message that Route 66 has more to offer than a frozen-intime capsule of midcentury kitsch. "Building these habitats is breathing new life into the road. It's showing people that yeah, while this road has all kinds of history, we're also working to continually grow it," she said. "We've found that a lot of our tourists want to see the ecotourism connection, nature is one of the things they're drawn to. You've got two iconic things in Illinois, both on the verge of extinction, why not use them to help each other?" Since rolling out the flyway concept to her membership in fall 2020, Wichmann said the response has taken off faster than expected, with sizable habitats coming online up and down the route, anchored by Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie. The habitats will be added to the byway's mobile app, similar to other attractions such as restaurants and museums. The timing of the flyway also coincides with what Wichmann sees as a resurgence in the oldfashioned all-American road trip, spurred in part by concerns about air travel during the coronavirus pandemic. Forced to stick closer to home, plenty of Illinoisans have discovered the charms of the Route 66 byway in their own backyard.

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Although Oklahoma is not exactly known for its waterfalls, we do have a few hidden gems around our state! Of course we have our famous Turner Falls, but we found a few others where the flowing water will calm your mind. These gorgeous hidden waterfalls in Oklahoma are promised to leave you feeling relaxed and rejuvenated no matter when you visit:

1. Beavers Bend Waterfall

Broken Bow: A beautiful area in southeastern Oklahoma. Enjoy the sound of nature at Mountain Fork River.



2. Buffalo Springs - Sulphur

Located in Chickasaw National Recreation Area, this spring offers a hiking trail right along the side of it.



3. Will Rogers Park - Oklahoma City

This is a breathtaking 30-acre historic park featuring a seven-acre rose garden. This eight-foot-high waterfall is located at the north end of East Lake.



4. Medicine Park Creek - Medicine Park

Found in the Wichita Mountains, this area is a great place to get away and enjoy the sound of rushing water.



5. Natural Falls - Colcord

One of the most famous waterfalls in Oklahoma, this 77-foot-tall beauty is a must see. You can't swim in the waterfall's crystal clear water, but there are places to swim nearby.



6. Sand Creek Falls - Osage Hills State Park - Pawhus-ka

The cascading water is only a few feet high, but it still provides a stunning backdrop to the lush hills that surround it! It's Oklahoma beauty at its best.



7. Turner Falls - Davis

Oklahoma's tallest and most stunning waterfall, this one is a must for visitors, locals, and any Okies who haven't seen it yet. It's for everyone. Everyone should see it.



8. Little Niagara at Travertine Falls - Sulphur

The most popular falls in Chickasaw National Recreation can be found in Travertine. Enjoy swimming in the the ice-cold water and then relaxing in the shade afterward.



9. Bricktown - Oklahoma City

This man-made waterfall is a beautiful spot in the heart of Bricktown. What beats a trip to Oklahoma City? A trip to Oklahoma City with waterfalls involved, of course.



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History of the Back to the Future DeLorean | DeLorean DMC-12



Who Made the DeLorean From "Back to the Future"?

Before the DeLorean became synonymous with the "Back to the Future" trilogy in the 1980s, it was the brainchild of John DeLorean who dreamed of putting his stamp on the auto industry. As the youngest division head in General Motors' history, Mr. DeLorean knew the power of well-designed cars. Instead of continuing to make cars for General Motors, he left his division head position and created the DeLorean Motor Company (DMC) to bring his dreams to life. This new company would end up creating the DMC-12, more casually known as the DeLorean.

History of the DeLorean DMC-12

Mr. DeLorean had high hopes that the DMC-12 would be a sports car that put DMC at the top of the auto industry. From the rear-mounted engine to the gull-wing doors and stainless steel, unpainted body, Mr. DeLorean knew he had designed something unique. In his vision for the car, he saw himself building an ethical sports car that would be durable, fuel-efficient and safe. Stephen Wynne, currently CEO of the recently resurrected DMC and owner of the DeLorean inventory, thinks of the DeLorean as the Tesla of the past. As for Mr. DeLorean himself, Wynne reports that the man was a maverick, dedicated to blazing trails on his own terms. To get the design of the car just right, Mr. DeLorean went to a prominent Italian designer, Giorgetto Giugiaro, for help with the car's shape. Drawing on a past 1970 concept car that he had done for Porsche, Giugiaro brought the DeLorean to life. The wedge-shape, stainless steel body and gull-wing doors would prove to be a stunning design, captivating the imaginations of consumers and "Back to the Future" audiences for years to come. With the design solidly in place, Mr. DeLorean finished work on a prototype of the DMC-12 in 1976. The car originally featured a fiberglass chassis that was extremely resistant in a crash. To give the vehicle extra speed and power, Mr. DeLorean also designed the vehicle to be mid-engined.

The Final Product

By the time the vehicle hit the road in a model available to the public, the fiberglass technology had ended up being disregarded for a more conventional chassis. Along with changes to the chassis, Mr. DeLorean moved the engine to the rear, so the vehicle could incorporate a V6 powertrain motor into it. These adjustments would end up harming the vehicle's handling, which many still criticize today. After sealing a deal to produce the car in Northern Ireland, Mr. Delorian wanted to sell the car for \$12,000. This desired price-point became integral to the name of the vehicle offered to the public, the DMC-12.

Despite the name, when the car eventually launched in January of 1981, it actually came with a \$29,825 price tag. Though the price didn't stick, the name did. Unfortunately for Mr. DeLorean, the launch of the DMC-12 was not met with great success. The cars were mired with production issues, with the newer versions of the cars constantly being modified to make up for unforeseen challenges, meaning that cars produced earlier were not as capable as those made last. Along with the varying quality, the DeLoreans suffered from a lack of power. The car's engine only offered 130 horsepower, meaning the car accelerated from zero to 60 in just over 10 seconds, which was much slower than the competition. Even without exceptional horsepower, DMC kept the vehicle in production until 1983, as the vehicle's visual appeal kept it attractive to buyers. It did not make it past 1983, however, as Mr. DeLorean would be arrested in 1982 and have to face trial. His arrest was due to agreeing to finance drug traffickers who needed his money to help them smuggle cocaine into the United States. He agreed to the deal out of the hope that he could use the money to provide his company with a much-needed cash injection.

Unfortunately for Mr. DeLorean, the agreement was all fake, and the "drug traffickers" were members of the FBI who were conducting a sting operation. Though Mr. DeLorean would eventually be acquitted due to a jury finding that the FBI had entrapped him illegally, the damage was already done. His company closed up shop, and the factory making his cars ground to a halt. In the end, only about 9,000 DeLoreans were ever built. With things looking bleak, Mr. DeLorean got out of the auto industry. However, the car would go on to have a second wind when the "Back to the Future" trilogy hit the big screen.

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Chris Ledoux



Prior to becoming a successful independent country artist, Chris LeDoux was a rodeo champion known for his bareback-riding skill and made his name in music by writing countless songs about the rodeo life. LeDoux was born in Biloxi, MS, in 1948 and moved around often as a child since his father was in the Air Force. He first tried his hand at rodeo riding in Denison, TX, at age 13 and was soon winning junior competitions. His family moved to Cheyenne, WY, while he was in high school, and he continued to ride; after graduating, he won the Wyoming State Rodeo Championship, which earned him a rodeo scholarship to Caspar College. He also studied the sport at Sheridan and Eastern New Mexico and won the Intercollegiate National Bareback Riding Championship. He turned pro in 1970 and eked out a living on the national rodeo circuit, winning just enough prize money to keep himself going. At the same time, LeDoux began writing songs about the rodeo lifestyle, since no other country performer had yet filled the niche (the way trucker songs became a specialized country subgenre). His first composition was "Bareback Jack," and he soon recorded an album's worth of songs in a friend's basement in 1972. He and his father set up a recording company, American Cowboy Songs, and LeDoux began selling his tapes at rodeo events out of the back of his pickup truck. As this side business became more lucrative, LeDoux started traveling to Nashville for quickie recording sessions rather than relying on local musicians.

LeDoux's hard work on the rodeo circuit paid off when he won the 1976 world bareback riding championship at the National Rodeo Finals in Oklahoma City. He remained active until 1980, when small nagging injuries and a desire to be with his family led him to retire. He settled on a ranch in Kaycee, WY, but kept up his songwriting and recording and developed an increasingly large following as well as a reputation for exciting concerts. By 1982, he'd sold over 250,000 copies of his self-released albums, of which he completed 22 by the end of the '80s. LeDoux had long refused to sign a record deal, valuing his independence more, but when rising superstar Garth Brooks name-checked him on the 1989 hit "Much Too Young (To Feel This Damn Old)," the attention was too much to resist. LeDoux signed with Capitol subsidiary Liberty and released his national debut, Western Underground, in 1991. The 1992 followup, Whatcha Gonna Do With a Cowboy, featured a duet with Brooks on the title track. The single became LeDoux's first (and only) Top Ten country hit, and the album also entered the Top Ten and went gold. Though he hasn't had another single that big, LeDoux recorded steadily for Liberty through the '90s, and all of his albums -- 1993's Under This Old Hat, 1994's Haywire, 1996's Stampede, 1997's Live, and 1998's One Road Man -- made the country Top 40, selling well to LeDoux's extensive fan base. 2000's Cowboy found LeDoux re-recording his earliest compositions, and he subsequently battled a liver illness that threatened his life and required a transplant. He recovered and returned to music with the more personal album After the Storm in 2002. LeDoux released Horsepower in 2004. It would be his last completed album before he died of complications from liver cancer in March of 2005

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"They may forget your name, but they will never forget how you made them feel."

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Will Rogers was America's Cowboy Philosopher

Will Rogers was the #1 radio personality, he was #1 at the movie box office, he was the nations #1 most sought after public speaker, he was the #1 most read newspaper columnist, he wrote books, traveled the world and gave liberally to charities around the world. Will Rogers was beloved by all.

William Penn Adair Rogers was born on election day, November 4, 1879 in a log-walled, seven-room house, known as "the White House on the Verdigris River," in Indian Territory.

His parents were Clement Vann Rogers and Mary America Schrimsher Rogers.



They lived on a sprawling frontier ranch near what later would become Oologah, Oklahoma. Will Rogers' human nature, wisdom and humor were nurtured on the sprawling frontier governed by Cherokee Indians.

By the time of his birth, the pain of civil war and the rigors of frontier conquest had dissolved the challenge of carving civilization onto the rich and bountiful plains.

Clement Vann Rogers, Will's father, was a Cherokee senator and a judge who helped write the Oklahoma Constitution. Successful in agriculture and banking, Clem founded a ranch fenced by rivers, spread across miles and home to thousands of Texas Longhorns.

Mary America Schrimsher Rogers, Will's mother, descended from a Cherokee chief, easily mastered modern society, music, literature, etiquette and good humor. A mother of eight, Mary Rogers understood righteousness under God's laws and performed countless charities.

The Rogers family was loving and close. Four children died while three older sisters inspired young Will. Ranch families were eager to help a bright young boy become a sensitive adult and form a meaningful life.

The Rogers' famous "White House on the Verdigris River" was more than a home. It was a meeting place for commerce, government and community socials. There was sadness with funerals, but gaiety with parties, weddings and christenings.

When not learning on his mother's lap, Will Rogers was on the range as a hard-working cowboy. He never lost the lessons of a loving mother, the lonely frontier, the hard work of ranching or the community of sharing life's bounty. Taught by a freed slave how to use a lasso as a tool to work Texas Longhorn cattle on the family ranch, Will Rogers mastered the lariat for trick roping on stages of the world.

From living among Indians and blacks, he carried lessons of brotherhood that came from understanding the pride of minorities.

Will Rogers' masterful roping tricks would enter the Guinness Book of Records while his words about brotherhood and human kindness would be written across the heart of humanity.

Hard-earned lariat skills won Will Rogers employment as a trick roper in wild west shows and on the vaudeville stage.

His lessons of life, visions of humanity and kind spirit were formed into wit, jokes and observations that bespoke great human dimensions. Humor and folksy observations by Will Rogers were prized by audiences around the world. He proved visionary, well informed and simply a smart philosopher. He told truth in simple words so that everyone could understand



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Working Hard or Hardly Working?





















NEWSRELEASE

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ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY

Help spread the word for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on June 15, 2021. It can be hard to imagine that anyone would deliberately want to harm an elderly person, but unfortunately, elder abuse is a widespread problem. Some instances of elder abuse are intended to exploit the person financially; you've probably heard of scams targeting seniors. In other cases, it's simple negligence: Caregivers don't provide the basic necessities, like nutritious food, appropriate medication, safety, or assistance with hygiene. If you see something, say something.

5 FACTS ABOUT ELDER ABUSE

- 1. It happens mostly at home Elder abuse instances happen mostly in the home where the senior lives.
- 2. 1 in every 10 Is the number of elder adults that experience some form of abuse in their lifetime.
- 3. Finances are at the highest risk the most common form of abuse is financial exploitation and extortion.
- 4. 9 out of 10 elder abusers are relatives In around 90% of elder abuse and neglect incidents, the perpetrator is a family member.
- 5. Many go unreported Only one of every six instances of elder abuse is reported.

WHY WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY IS IMPORTANT

- 1. Older Americans may be unable to advocate for themselves Many seniors are not in a place to stand up for themselves, whether it's because they're physically frail or because they're scared of speaking up and fear of repercussions. It's crucial for all of us to be on the lookout for signs of elder abuse, and to speak up if something seems wrong.
- 2. Seniors deserve our respect and our attention In so many cultures, elders are revered and rightfully so. Their experiences, memories, and perspective on life are valued for the lessons that younger folks can learn. If older people aren't encouraged to pass along the skills and wisdom they have accumulated during their lives, then the culture as whole suffers. We owe it to older generations to ensure that their so-called Golden Years are not tarnished by neglect.
- 3. It reminds us to look out for each other It's easy to see bad things and not say anything-whether that's senior abuse or a mugging on the street. But this special day reminds us just how important it is to look after, and look out for, our fellow humans. It reminds us to exercise compassion on a daily basis, and care about others rather than just ourselves.

To report abuse call: 1-800-522-3511 or go to www.okhotline.org.

For those residents who want to transition back out in the community there is possibly a resource available for them called Living Choice. If you want further information about this program you can call 888-287-2443 or e-mail: Oklahoma.livingchoice@okhca.org or contact your Ombudsman at 1-800-482-4594.

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Up-coming Events

TOPS #570 We meet 9am to 11am Monday morning at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Miami 2337 N. Main St. "Taking off pounds sensibly!

TOPS #567 meet every Thursday at 10am 433 N Mississippi in Nowata.

TOPS #506 in Miami Heavenly Winds Worship Center meet every 6pm Thursday evening. For more info call Susan Walls at 918-540-0570

Every 4th Saturday of the month Veteran's Support Group: Veterans for Veterans. Have you served in the military? Are you struggling with readjustment? Anxious about the future? Struggling to connect with friends and family? Struggling with school? WE CAN HELP! Free veterans support group at 10am every 4th Saturday of the month. The Landing 502 West Corner Fairland, Ok. For more information call Cindy (918) 676-3228.

Food Truck Wednesdays —Every Wednesday, grab some tasty eats and gather on the grounds of Guthrie Green. During Food Truck Wednesdays, lunchtime transforms into a community-wide affair, with roaming food trucks posting up at this Tulsa park. While you dine on delicious food, be sure to enjoy the live music and fresh air. Guthrie Green 111 E Brady St Tulsa, OK 74103 Phone: 918-574-2421

Big Cabin Senior Exercise Program—Fitness program for seniors held at the Big Cabin Baptist Church gym three times a week, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 10 to 11 a.m.

American Legion Post 178 in Grove, OK – Bingo every Saturday evening at 6pm. Family atmosphere. Contact Lee Cathy for any questions at: 901-487-9060

PRYOR DANCE—Every 1st. and 3rd. Thursday of the month. 6:15 pm—9 pm—Cost is \$5.00 per person, Double H Band will be playing. Cookies and Coffee will be serving. It's for seniors but all ages are welcome. Mayes County Nutrition Center 851 SE 9th Pryor (just east of 9th and Elliott intersection)

May 8 - Sep 30, 2021 Butterfly House at the Papilion—Get an up-close look at beautiful butterflies at Honor Heights Park in Muskogee. The Papilion is a teaching garden and open air butterfly house that welcomes visitors to get a great view of these winged wonders. The Papilion is currently the only captive butterfly house in Oklahoma, with up to 26 varieties native to the southeast United States. Mon—Sat: 9:00 am—3:00 pm Sun: 1:00 pm—4:00 pm. Honor Heights Park 1513 N 48th

SUDOKU PUZZLES

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By Nikki Hamilton

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St Muskogee, OK 74401 Phone: 918-684-6303, 918-684 -6302

Sep 6, 2021 Labor Day Celebration - The Henryetta Labor Day Celebration is one of the largest Labor Day events in Oklahoma. Make your way to the town of Henryetta for a parade, games for all ages, concerts, a carnival, rodeo and an impressive fireworks display at dusk. Downtown Main Street, Henryetta, OK 74437. Phone: 918-652-3331.

Sep 7, 2021 - Sep 11, 2021 Delaware County Free Fair -The Delaware County Free Fair in Jay is an oldfashioned county fair that features livestock events for the young and old. Celebrate the rich agricultural heritage of the area and to enjoy a wealth of exhibits, vendors and delicious fair food. There will be children's activities and numerous awards given to the winners of livestock competitions. Delaware County Fairgrounds, 38267 Hwy 59. Jay, OK 74346. Phone: 918-253-4332.

Sep 8, 2021 - Sep 13, 2021 Mayes County Fair - Since its establishment in 1916, the Mayes County Fair in Pryor has promoted Oklahoma agriculture, education and community involvement through quality entertainment in a family-friendly environment. Vendors with farm and agriculture-related items, clothing and food will be set up at fair. Mayes County Fairgrounds 2200 NE 1st St. Pryor, OK 74361. Phone: 918-825-3241.

Sep 10, 2021 - Sep 11, 2021 Woodcarving & Folk Arts Festival - Witness seasoned craftsmen transform wood, ceramics and other materials into works of art at the annual Woodcarving & Folk Arts Festival in Broken Arrow. For over 30 years, this event has celebrated the art of folk crafts and traditional carving practices, featuring woodcarvers, woodturners, woodworkers, wood burners, scroll sawyers and more from across multiple states. Hours: Friday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm & Saturday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm. Broken Arrow Community Center, 1500 S Main St. Broken Arrow, OK 74012. Phone: 918-251-8734.

Sep 11, 2021 Uncle Kracker in Concert - Uncle Kracker kicked off a solo career of his own after vaulting to stardom as chief collaborator in Kid Rock's Twisted Brown Trucker Band. The Michigan native's 2000 major label debut, "Double Wide," went double-platinum and yielded the No. 1 smash "Follow Me." This musician stepped into the world of country music in 2009 with his doubleplatinum crossover hit "Smile." Hours: Starts at 8pm. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Tulsa 777 W Cherokee St. Catoosa, OK 74015. Phone: 918-266-4352.

Sep 11, 2021 Roadkill Chili Cook-Off - Bring the family and enjoy this annual chili cook-off in Jay at the Delaware County Fairgrounds. Bring your appetite and sample various examples of chili from cook-off contestants. Whether looking for a spicy meaty chili, or a scrumptious bean-filled mild version, the Roadkill Chili Cook-Off in Jay has what your taste buds are craving. Delaware County Fairgrounds, 38267 Hwy 59. Jay, OK 74346. Phone: 918-253-8698.

Sep 11, 2021 Dam J.A.M. Bicycle Tour - The Dam J.A.M. Bicycle Tour in Pryor features some of the best fall cycling in Oklahoma. This bicycle tour features 31, 55, 71 and 101 mile rides through the rolling foothills of northeast Oklahoma. Register and participate in this scenic one-day bicycle tour, which is known for its hospitality, safety and support. Hours: Starts at 6am. Whitaker Park, Pryor, OK 74361. Phone: 918-825-0157.

Love In Action will be celebrating 20 years of its 911 Revivals this September 13th-17th. The revival will be held at the Love In Action Twin Bridges building in Childers, OK. The nightly services will begin at 7p.m. Services will include Praise and Worship along with special music ministry.

Sep 16, 2021 - Sep 19, 2021 Rogers County Free Fair -Come to the Rogers County Free Fair and browse through Made in Oklahoma products, arts and crafts, baked goods, livestock exhibits and more. A Rogers County staple since 1955, this free fair guarantees fun for the entire family. Attend a horse show, check out numerous vehicles in the fair's annual car show or take the kids over to the fair's popular children's area, featuring plenty of activities geared specifically towards them. Make your way to the festival's carnival midway for rides, games and plenty of yummy fair food and snacks. Claremore Expo Center, 400 Veterans Pkwy. Claremore, OK 74017. Phone: 918-341-8688.

Sep 18, 2021 Green Country Classic Mustang Round-Up - Head out to Owasso and see Mustangs and other Ford cars on display at the annual Green Country Classic Mustangs Round-Up. At this Mid America event, guests are invited to browse the stunning cars onsite and converse with the hot rod owners. Be sure to stay until the end, when the judging, trophies and prizes are awarded in various categories. First Baptist Church Owasso, 13307 E 96th St N. Owasso, OK 74055. Phone: 918-447-5572.

Do You have an event that you would like to share?

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Getting to know the Lutherans

PERSPECTIVES

Friends,

The way we see God affects the way we see ourselves. If we imagine God to be a demanding boss, we expect to be rewarded or punished based on our performance. But if we believe that God is a loving father, we see ourselves as adored children.

What is more, focusing on our flaws, faults, and failures can lead us to see the same imperfections in other people. When we are unkind, impatient, and irritable toward others, it is often because we treat ourselves the same way. If we have trouble forgiving ourselves, we may hang on to the wrongs others have done to us. We might look in the mirror and see someone we do not like very much.

Yet God does not see what we see. Hear God's whisper: "You should be more gentle toward the one you see in the mirror. You should love that one – because I do."

God does not ignore our sins – through His Son Jesus He forgives us. And we can do the same – for ourselves and for others.

Join us at one of the churches listed on this page to hear clearly of God's forgiveness for you!

Messiah Lutheran Church 460 N. Wilson, Vinita, OK. Sunday School and Bible Class 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. 918-256-3223 Email: messiahvinita@aol.com St. Paul Lutheran Church Washington and Pine, Fairland, OK. Sunday School and Bible Class 9:15 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. 918-676-3059 Email: stpaulluthch@aol.com

Bethlehem Lutheran Church 6911 West 380 Road, Adair, OK 74330 Worship 9:00 a.m. 918-785-2994 Sunday School and Bible Class 10:15 a.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church
706 Rockwood Drive, Grove, OK.
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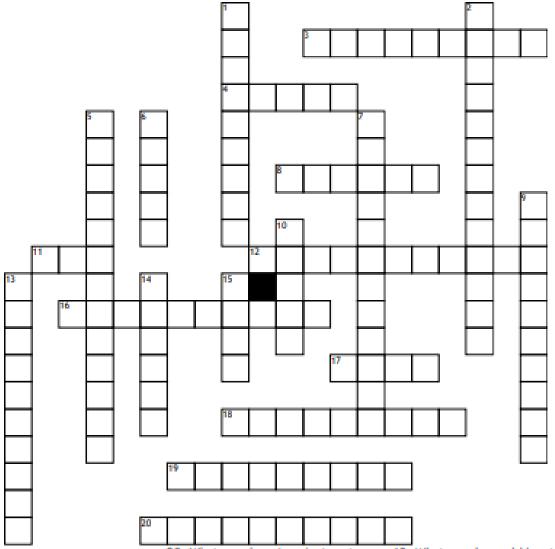
Mt. Olive Lutheran Church 2337 North Main, Miami, OK 74354 Worship 2:00 p.m. (918) 542-4681 Sunday School and Bible Class 3:00 p.m. Email: mtolive@cableone.net Redeemer Lutheran Church 220 N. Seminole, Claremore, OK. Sunday School and Bible Class 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. 918-341-1429 Email: rluther@sbcglobal.net—Website www.rlccok.org

St. John Lutheran Church 607 South East 9th st. Pryor, OK 74361 Sunday School and Bible Class 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am (918) 825-1926 Email: stjohnpryor@yahoo.com

Guests are always welcome. See you Sunday at worship.

Crossword Puzzle

Things to find at a Yard Sale



Across

- 3. What your baby would enjoy sitting in
- 4. What does a lady carry
- What does people rent to watch at home
- What people wear on their head
- 12. What you would need to play bowling
- 16. What people use to play baseball
- 17. Things kids like to play with
- What you would use to hit off a tee
- 19. Items to be in any room of your house

What people enjoy playing at home indoors

Down

- What your could start your email on to visit friends
- What people would place their pictures in
- What we would display at Christmas
- 6. What people wear on their feet
- What kids would enjoy cooling off in
- What you enjoy getting your favorite programs on
- 10. What people use to build things

- What people would buy to put their dog in
- What people use to clean their carpet
- What gaming system family would play

Word Search Puzzle Zoo Animals

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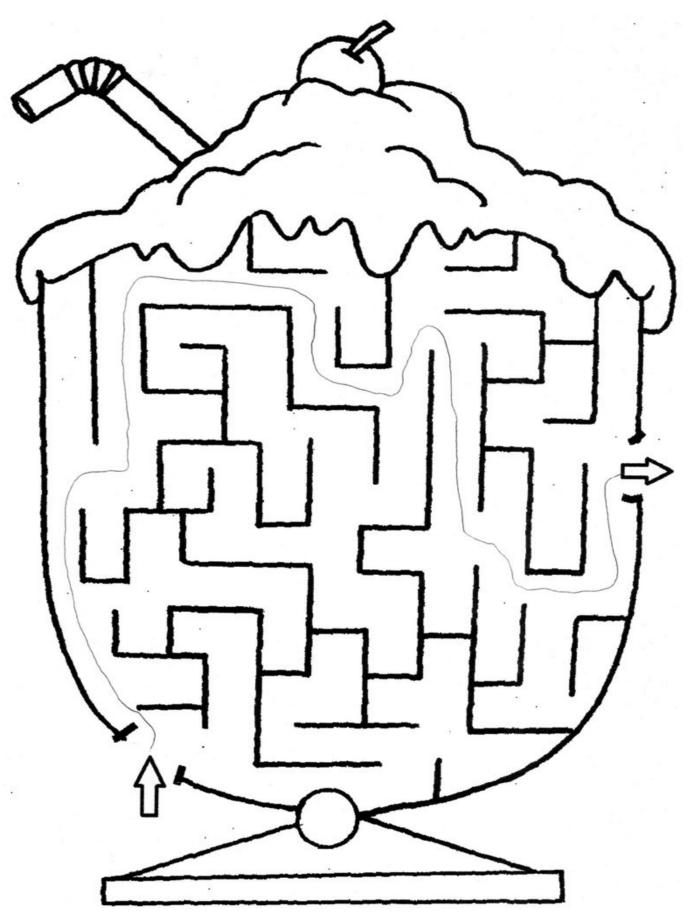








Maze Puzzle Solution



Good New Orleans Creole Gumbo

Ingredients

1 cup all-purpose flour ³/₄ cup bacon drippings

1 cup coarsely chopped celery

1 large onion, coarsely chopped

1 large green bell pepper, coarsely chopped

2 cloves garlic, minced

1 pound andouille sausage, sliced

3 quarts water

6 cubes beef bouillon

1 tablespoon white sugar

salt to taste

2 tablespoons hot pepper sauce

½ teaspoon Cajun seasoning blend

4 bay leaves

½ teaspoon dried thyme leaves

1 (14.5 ounce) can stewed tomatoes

1 (6 ounce) can tomato sauce

4 teaspoons file powder, divided

2 tablespoons bacon drippings

2 (10 ounce) packages frozen cut okra, thawed

2 tablespoons distilled white vinegar

1 pound lump crabmeat

3 pounds uncooked medium shrimp, peeled and deveined

2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce

Directions

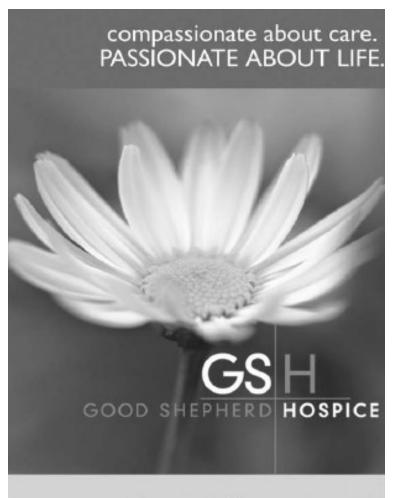
Step 1: Make a roux by whisking the flour and 3/4 cup bacon drippings together in a large, heavy saucepan over mediumlow heat to form a smooth mixture. Cook the roux, whisking constantly, until it turns a rich mahogany brown color. This can take 20 to 30 minutes; watch heat carefully and whisk constantly or roux will burn. Remove from heat; continue whisking until mixture stops cooking.

Step 2: Place the celery, onion, green bell pepper, and garlic into the work bowl of a food processor, and pulse until the vegetables are very finely chopped. Stir the vegetables into the roux, and mix in the sausage. Bring the mixture to a simmer over medium-low heat, and cook until vegetables are tender, 10 to 15 minutes. Remove from heat, and set aside.

Step 3: Bring the water and beef bouillon cubes to a boil in a large Dutch oven or soup pot. Stir until the bouillon cubes dissolve, and whisk the roux mixture into the boiling water. Reduce heat to a simmer, and mix in the sugar, salt, hot pepper sauce, Cajun seasoning, bay leaves, thyme, stewed tomatoes, and tomato sauce. Simmer the soup over low heat for 1 hour; mix in 2 teaspoons of file gumbo powder at the 45-minute mark

Step 4: Meanwhile, melt 2 tablespoons of bacon drippings in a skillet, and cook the okra with vinegar over medium heat for 15 minutes; remove okra with slotted spoon, and stir into the simmering gumbo. Mix in crabmeat, shrimp, and Worcestershire sauce, and simmer until flavors have blended, 45 more minutes. Just before serving, stir in 2 more teaspoons of file gumbo powder





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Cow spotted in a Buick going through a McDonald's drive-thru



In fact, there were three of them.

Jessica Nelson of Mosinee pulled into the drive-thru at a McDonald's in Marshfield, Wis., on Thursday and said she looked up to see a cow in the back seat of a Buick sedan three cars ahead of her.

"I thought it was fake at first. Who puts a cow in a Buick?" she told The Associated Press. "Then its whole head moved."

She quickly picked up her phone and shot video of the bovine.

"I just took the video of it because I was blown away there was a cow in the back of a Buick," she said.

She posted the video on her Facebook page with the caption "A WHOLE FREAKING COW!!! Tell me you live in Wisconsin without telling me you live in Wisconsin."

She also pasted a message on the video itself that read, "That's a whole (expletive) cow in the back of that car!"

Nelson said that the family of the cow's owner saw the post and contacted her. They said that the cow was a calf.

The owner had just purchased it and two other calves which were in the backseat as well but were lying down out of sight — at an auction.



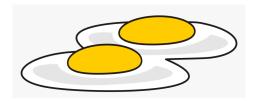
Cute Jokes

A wife was making a breakfast of fried eggs for her husband. Suddenly, her husband burst into the kitchen.

'Careful,' he said, 'CAREFUL! Put in some more butter! Oh my gosh! You're cooking too many at once. TOO MANY! Turn them! TURN THEM NOW! We need more butter. Oh my gosh! WHERE are we going to get MORE BUTTER? They're going to STICK! Careful. CAREFUL! I said be CAREFUL! You NEVER listen to me when you're cooking! Never! Turn them! Hurry up! Are you CRAZY? Have you LOST your mind? Don't forget to salt them. You know you always forget to salt them. Use the salt, USE THE SALT! THE SALT!

The wife stared at him. 'What in the world is wrong with you? You think I don't know how to fry a couple of eggs?'

The husband calmly replied, 'I just wanted to show you what it feels like when I'm driving.'



Two elderly women were eating breakfast in a restaurant one morning. Ethel noticed something funny about Mabel's ear and she said,

"Mabel, did you know you've got a suppository in your left ear? "

Mabel answered, "I have a suppository?"

She pulled it out and stared at it.

Then she said, "Ethel, I'm glad you saw this thing. Now I think I know where my hearing aid is."



Television

by Roald Dahl

The most important thing we've learned.

So far as children are concerned, Is never, NEVER, NEVER let Them near your television set -- Or better still, just don't install The idiotic thing at all. In almost every house we've

been,
We've watched them gaping at
the screen.

They loll and slop and lounge about, And stare until their eyes pop out. (Last week in someone's place we saw A dozen eyeballs on the floor.) They sit and stare and stare and sit Until they're hypnotized by it, Until they're absolutely drunk With all that shocking ghastly junk. Oh yes, we know it keeps them still, They don't climb out the window sill, They never fight or kick or punch, They leave you free to cook the lunch And wash the dishes in the sink --But did you ever stop to think, To wonder just exactly what This does to your beloved tot?

IT ROTS THE SENSE IN THE HEAD!
IT KILLS IMAGINATION DEAD!
IT CLOGS AND CLUTTERS UP THE MIND!
IT MAKES A CHILD SO DULL AND BLIND
HE CAN NO LONGER UNDERSTAND
A FANTASY, A FAIRYLAND!
HIS BRAIN BECOMES AS SOFT AS CHEESE!
HIS POWERS OF THINKING RUST AND FREEZE!
HE CANNOT THINK -- HE ONLY SEES!

'All right!' you'll cry. 'All right!' you'll say, 'But if we take the set away, What shall we do to entertain Our darling children? Please explain!' We'll answer this by asking you, 'What used the darling ones to do? 'How used they keep themselves contented Before this monster was invented?' Have you forgotten? Don't you know? We'll say it very loud and slow:

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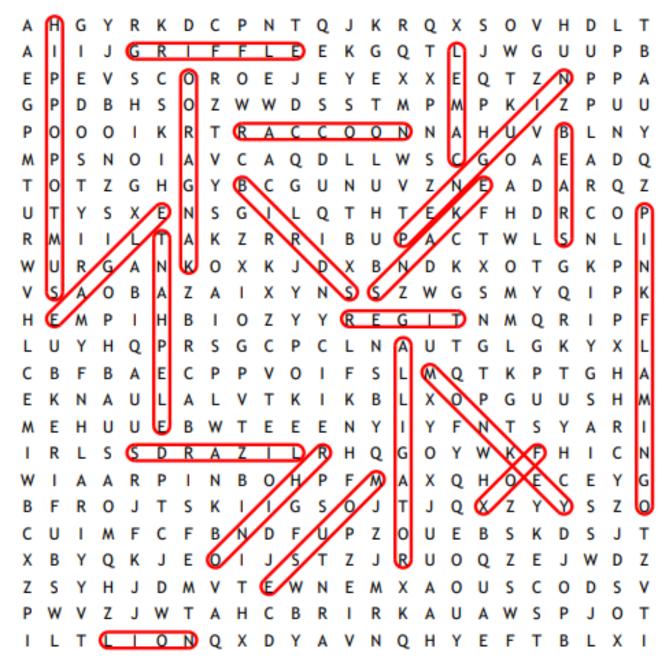
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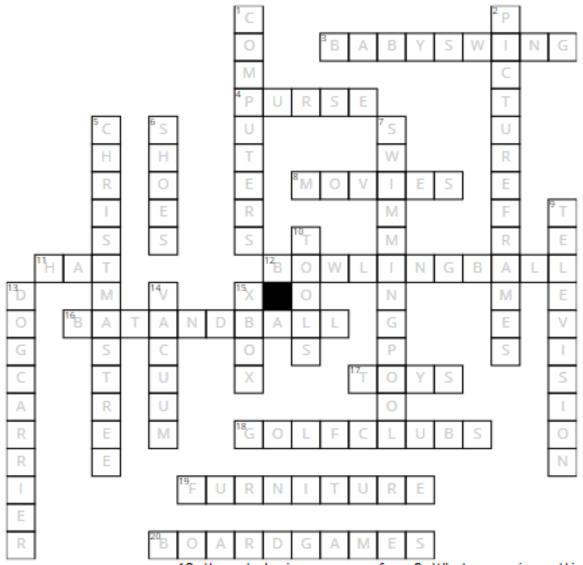
Sudoku Puzzle Easy Solution

Sudoku Puzzle Moderate Solution

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1	3	7	2	8	5	6	4	9	9	4	1	2	5	3	8	6	7

Crossword Puzzle Solution

Things to find at a Yard Sale



Across

- What your baby would enjoy sitting in
- What does a lady carry
- What does people rent to watch at home
- What people wear on their head
- What you would need to play bowling
- 16. What people use to play baseball
- 17. Things kids like to play with
- What you would use to hit off a tee

- 19. Items to be in any room of your house
- 20. What people enjoy playing at home indoors

Down

- What your could start your email on to visit friends
- What people would place their pictures in
- What we would display at Christmas
- What people wear on their feet
- What kids would enjoy cooling off in

- What you enjoy getting your favorite programs on
- What people use to build things
- What people would buy to put their dog in
- 14. What people use to clean their carpet
- What gaming system family would play

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