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AROUND TOWN

Ground broken on Fairfield Inn & Suites coming to Downtown Spartanburg

On December 18, representatives from One-Spartanburg, Inc. joined Hawkeye Hotels, JM Cope Construction, and the City of Spartanburg, SC to break ground on the Fairfield Inn & Suites coming to Downtown. The next addition to Spartanburg's skyline is on the way, so keep an eye out for construction to start taking shape on St. John Street.

Live Healthy Spartanburg

Live Healthy Spartanburg was created in 2021 by the Mary Black Foundation and Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System to achieve health equity and improve outcomes for all Spartanburg County residents. Join the next edition of Caffeinated Conversations to learn more about their mission, their work, and why it's important for our entire area. This event will take place on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. at the OneSpartanburg, Inc. Milliken Board Room, 104 North Pine Street, Spartanburg. Register online at <https://spartanburgareasc.chambermaster.com/events/>

Blackberry Smoke with special guest Robert Jon & The Wreck, December 31 in Spartanburg

Blackberry Smoke will perform at the Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium on December 31 at 8 p.m., accompanied by Robert Jon & The Wreck.

Over the past two decades, Blackberry Smoke has developed this confidence and amassed a loyal fanbase, leading their last five full-length albums to achieve great chart success, including 2021's You Hear Georgia, which reached #1 on Billboard's Americana/Folk Albums Chart.

Tickets are on sale at [Ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com) or visit the Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium box office.

Outlook Spartanburg Conference 2024

Outlook Spartanburg features legislative, economic, hospitality, community, and talent forecasts at the local, regional, national and global level to enable attendees to make informed decisions in 2024. This conference will be held on Friday, January 5, 2024, 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Spartanburg Marriott, 299 North Church Street in Spartanburg. Visit <https://spartanburgareasc.chambermaster.com/events/> for registration information and pricing.

2023 Holiday Safari Lights at Hollywood

Magic of Lights is a dazzling, drive-through holiday lights experience featuring favorite holiday scenes and characters of the season using the latest LED technology and digital animations. Experience Magic of Lights from the comfort and safety of your own car as you wind through the sparkling path of Upstate's new holiday tradition. Kids 2 and under are free! It begins at 5:30 p.m. nightly through December 31.

Downtown Spartanburg development growth featured on WYFF's 4 The Record

The return of Minor League Baseball as part of a \$425-million development was featured in an episode of WYFF-4's "4 The Record" earlier this month, featuring OneSpartanburg, Inc. Chief Economic Development Officer Katherine O'Neill, Spartanburg Mayor Jerome Rice, and the team's General Manager Tyson Jeffers.

The episode can be watched online at <https://www.wyff4.com/article/4-the-record-spartanburg-baseball/46130438>

New Connections, New Year

Mark your calendars now for the first Professional Pours of 2024 at Craft Axe Throwing, where you can embrace your inner lumberjack (safely, of course). This event is the perfect opportunity to get back in the swing of things next year and to make some new connections with representatives from businesses across Spartanburg County. This edition of Professional Pours will be held on Thursday, January 11, 2024, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at Craft Axe Throwing, 226 W Main Street, Suite D, Spartanburg.

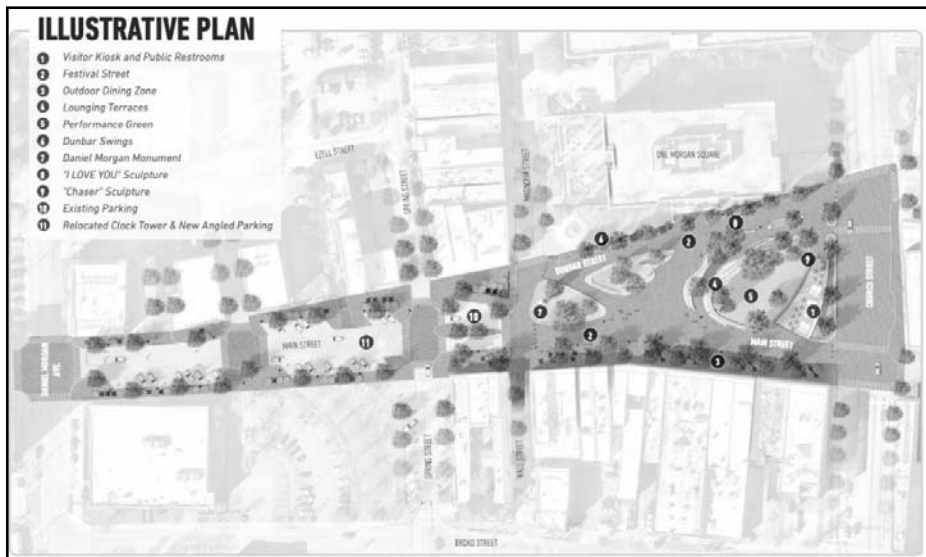
PAL's Food Hub receives \$661,775 USDA grant

The U.S. Department of Agriculture awarded PAL a three year grant to strengthen the local food system in Spartanburg through PAL's Food Hub. This project will expand the food hub's capacity to serve more people and provide increased economic opportunities for producers and food businesses in the region.

The project's objectives are to: 1) increase institutional buyers through outreach, listening, and technical support; 2) increase amount of local food purchased at market rate for donation and/or subsidy to underserved communities; 3) increase education, training, resources and technical support for small farmers and ranchers, new and beginning farmers and ranchers, underserved producers, and veteran producers; 4) increase number of GAP certified farmers on the food hub's price list; and 5) market the food hub and local food.



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Morgan Square redesign rendering. City of Spartanburg photo

Discussing the Morgan Square redesign

Information courtesy of the City of Spartanburg

On the heels of the recent Council update on the City's plan to enhance Morgan Square, the Spartanburg City News Podcast recently sat down with representatives from the design firm responsible for creating the square's new design, Brenda Diaz-Flores and Darren Meyer with MKSK, to discuss how the design was created and what residents can expect before construction on the new square begins next year.

Development of the Morgan Square plan was guided by a select steering

committee of local leaders, downtown stakeholders, and area residents, representing the culmination of nine months of sustained public outreach and engagement. Enhancements envisioned by the plan include permanently pedestrianizing the sections of West Main and Dunbar Streets along the square, creating festival streets that will both increase the functional size of Morgan Square and create a cohesive feel across the entire space. Additionally, an enlarged performance lawn at the square's eastern end would have adjacent public restrooms and a staffed visitor center,

and a new stage orientation would allow upwards of 800 audience members to enjoy performances. Other highlights include lounging terraces, bench swings, an outdoor dining zone for adjacent restaurants, a 70 percent increase in Morgan Square's total green space, and potentially a programmable water feature. If you'd like to listen to the podcast in its entirety, you can find it on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, or search "Spartanburg City News" in your favorite podcast app. Theme music provided by Spartanburg singer-songwriter, David Ezell.

Spartanburg Water provides ongoing support to Watershed Ecology Center

Information courtesy of OneSpartanburg, Inc.

The USC Upstate Watershed Ecology Center (WEC) was recently awarded a \$23,000 grant by Spartanburg Water to help continue its mission of encouraging community watershed awareness.

On Wednesday, December 13, Spartanburg Water presented the Watershed Ecology Center with a check for the grant, which represented \$11,500 contributions from both the Commission of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg and the Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District Commission.

The WEC's mission is to encourage appreciation of our local watershed through education, experience, and community outreach. Special emphasis is placed on water conserva-

tion, watershed education, water quality, and the study of organisms living in the area encompassed by a watershed. The WEC also promotes programs related to watershed awareness in the upper regions of the Pacolet River Watershed, such as the Adopt-A-Stream program, a credentialed citizen's monitoring network. The WEC's annual goal for 2024 is to reach 23,000 K-8 students through watershed-based, hands-on educational programming. In addition, they will host a summer camp for students aged 7-12 at the USC Upstate Arboretum (and other sites on the USC campus). Building on the success of their Teacher Assistance Program, the WEC will continue to facilitate existing teacher success in the classroom by providing

tools to incorporate both more hands on education of science and math, as well as further enhance their teacher education program in elementary schools by assisting with training of "pre-service" elementary teachers. "We are glad to once again help support the efforts of the Watershed Ecology Center and the amazing work they do to provide our area's K-8 students with valuable experiences and hands-on learning opportunities that open their eyes to the significance of our watershed," said Guy Boyle, Spartanburg Water CEO. "It is essential that future generations understand the interconnectivity of life within our watershed, and the value of preserving its ongoing health for our community's benefit."



Audrey Buffington '24, shown here in the Wofford Theatre production of "Agamemnon," scored first prize in the AWE College Student Film Competition, held through the Tryon International Film Festival, with her film "Love Letter to SCNPF." Wofford College photo

Top prize

Information provided by Wofford News Services

A childhood love for performance art led Audrey Buffington '24, a theatre major and business and film and digital media minor from Greenville, South Carolina, to make a short film about her experience. The film, "Love Letter to SCNPF," recently earned first place in the AWE College Student Film Competition at the Tryon International Film Festival.

"My dream, as long as I can remember, has been to perform, and I've pursued that in every possible way," Buffington says. "I've always been told I have to leave and go somewhere else. Then this festival showed up and said we have opportunities right here."

Buffington, who has primarily engaged in acting in Wofford Theatre and various fringe productions, decided to step behind the camera and try her hand at telling her own story. Her film, largely inspired by her own life and artistic vision, included many videos from her childhood.

"When I was a kid, I discovered the photo booth program on my family computer," she says. "That was my first chance to perform, and I filmed myself there. I included those clips in my film, along with footage from this past summer."

She submitted the film not knowing what to expect. She was surprised when she received a congratulatory text from Yasmin Lee '23 that let her know her film rose to the top.

Buffington has started work on another film, which is an even bigger project that has been keeping her occupied. Assisting her with the screenwriting is childhood friend Kevin Connaughton.

"Since I've begun working independently, I've realized that getting a space somewhere is huge," Buffington says. "When you participate in theatre in something like Pulp Theatre at Wofford, all your resources and funding are already there. Breaking into the film world is so different, and it's a new challenge."

Around South Carolina

Electrifying new lights at Fluor Field to enhance player, fan experience

Information courtesy of the Greenville Drive

The Greenville Drive recently announced the investment in a new cutting-edge LED lighting system at Fluor Field. Intended to enhance the player and fan experience, the new lights make Fluor Field the first professional baseball ballpark in South Carolina to use this particular LED system, considered the most advanced of its class.

Installed in early December by Ephesus Sports Lighting, the electrifying new lights replace the fluorescent white lights that formerly sat atop the six 125-ft. light poles surrounding the stadium. Ephesus is one of the most experienced and renowned sports lighting companies in the U.S., having provided lighting systems for Super Bowls LIV, LIII, LII and XLIX; the 2020, 2019 and 2017 NCAA Football National Championship game; and the 2020, 2019 and 2017 NCAA Men's



The Greenville Drive recently introduced a new LED lighting system at Fluor Field. Greenville Drive photo

Basketball Final Four. "The Greenville Drive and Fluor Field continually look for ways to deliver the best experience possible for our fans," says Greenville Drive General Manager Eric Jarinko. "These new lights meet the same standards as all 30 Major League Baseball stadium standards and go

above and beyond what's required of Minor League Baseball parks."

The new lights have many impressive advantages over the previous system:

- Field Lighting: the LED lights meet MLB requirements established for major league ballparks (125-ft. infield and 100-ft.

outfield footcandles), far exceeding field light requirements for minor league ballparks.

- Player Performance: LED lights provide a uniform light distribution that reduces shadows and improves visibility, ensuring that athletes can perform at their best. The comfort of the players is

also enhanced as LEDs reduce glare and improve the overall playing conditions.

- Control System: to add to the entertainment value of the fan experience, the lights can be programmed to shine in a multitude of colors and set to music, giving the appearance of "dancing" to a beat. Friday

Fireworks at Fluor Field will be even better for 2024!

- Sustainability: The new LED lights are environmentally friendly, reducing Fluor Field's carbon footprint by using 80 percent less energy.

The LED lights made their public debut at Kringle Holiday Village, December 8, with Greenville Mayor Knox White turning on the lights for the first time at 5:30 p.m. during opening festivities

"Kringle Holiday Village was the perfect event to debut our new lights," says Greenville Drive President Jeff Brown. "The community can gather for a magnificent light show while supporting local charities in the process. It's the spirit of the season wrapped into a perfect package."

Kringle Holiday Village is organized in partnership between The Greenville Drive and the Rotary Club of Greenville, and all proceeds benefit charities.

Crafting your self-care blueprint: Thriving while caring for a child with special needs

Information provided by Jill Palmer

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Caring for a child with special needs brings immense joy but also presents unique challenges, requiring an extraordinary level of dedication, patience, and resilience. Ensuring your child's needs are met is a central focus for you, which means self-care might take a backseat.

Needless to say, you're likely dealing with physical and emotional exhaustion. This Spartan Weekly News article explores various self-care strategies for parents of special needs children like yourself so you can foster your own well-being and be a better caregiver.

Understanding Your Fatigue Sources

Parenting a special needs child often involves sleep deprivation, emotional stress, and physically demanding tasks. These

challenges can snowball into severe fatigue if not addressed proactively.

Recognizing the triggers that lead to exhaustion is the first step toward mitigating them. Start by maintaining a fatigue journal — jotting down moments when exhaustion strikes — to understand the pattern and take necessary action.

Keeping a Clean Home

An organized living space can significantly reduce your stress levels. This is particularly true for children's playrooms and bedrooms, where chaos easily reigns!

Adopt cleaning strategies that you can easily maintain in your busy schedule, such as quick daily tidying routines or spending 15 minutes on a different space each day. A well-organized home benefits both you and your child by creating a calmer living environment.

Gauging Your Energy

Being conscious of your energy levels is not a luxury; it's a necessity. Consider setting periodic reminders to check your physical and emotional state. Early detection of signs of fatigue and burnout can pave the way for immediate corrective measures, like taking a short break or engaging in a brief meditation session.

Making Realistic Personal Objectives

Sure, self-care is about immediate relief, but it's also about long-term well-being. One way to achieve

long-lasting wellness is to establish personal goals, be it health, leisure, or even career-oriented. Breaking down large goals into smaller, achievable steps helps make the process less overwhelming and offers a roadmap for personal development.

Pursuing Professional Dreams

As a caregiver, you may feel that your personal and professional aspirations need to be sidelined to prioritize the immediate needs of your child. However, chasing your dreams can serve as a form of self-care, offering both a boost to your self-esteem and a profound sense of fulfillment.

Whether you're considering launching a small business and looking into forming an LLC in SC or rekindling a forgotten hobby, it's important to approach your aspirations with structured planning — whether it's drafting a detailed business plan, understanding the intricacies of LLC formation in your state, or developing a robust marketing strategy.

Tailoring Your Self-Care Strategies

Self-care is not a one-size-fits-all strategy; it should be a personalized, ongoing practice. Whether it's mindfulness exercises, physical fitness routines, or seeking emotional support from friends and family, different strategies work for different individuals. The key is to continually evalu-

ate and adjust your self-care practices based on your current needs and challenges.

Getting Professional Assistance

There's an unfortunate stigma associated with seeking professional help, which can be even more pronounced among caregivers. Professional assistance through counseling or therapy can provide valuable coping strategies and contribute to better mental health. It's essential to view these services as a strength

rather than a weakness.

Trying Flexible Jobs

Traditional 9-to-5 jobs may not be feasible when you're caring for a special needs child. Look for flexible job opportunities that allow you to balance caregiving and earning a livelihood. Remote work, freelance projects, or part-time opportunities are worth considering as they offer the flexibility required in your situation.

Self-care is not a privilege but a critical aspect of effective caregiving. Balancing the demands of caring for a special needs child with personal well-being is challenging yet essential.

The strategies highlighted in this article aim to assist caregivers in crafting a personalized self-care plan that allows them to thrive in their caregiving and personal lives. Your well-being is not just crucial for you, but also for the special child who depends on you, so start crafting your self-care blueprint today!

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

- The main Christmas story is paraphrased from what two New Testament books (KJV)? *Mark/John, Acts/Romans, Matthew/Luke, Jude/Revelation*
- Who visited Jesus on the night of His birth and found Mary, Joseph and the babe lying in a manger? *Inkeeper, Shepherds, Herod, Magi*
- Where was the young child when the Magi came to visit Him to present gifts? *Manger, Under the stars, House, Temple*
- How many times does the word "Christmas" appear in the Bible (KJV)? *Zero, 1, 2, 7*
- Who was King of Judaea at the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem? *Solomon, Herod, Balak, Belsazzar*
- What animals were present at Jesus' birth? *Lions and bears, Sheep and goats, Cows and donkeys, No mention of animals*

ANSWERS: 1) Matthew/Luke, 2) Shepherds, 3) House, 4) Zero, 5) Herod, 6) No mention of animals (in Bible)

"Test Your Bible Knowledge," a book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in stores and online.

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Super Crossword

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Super Crossword

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by Gary Kopervas



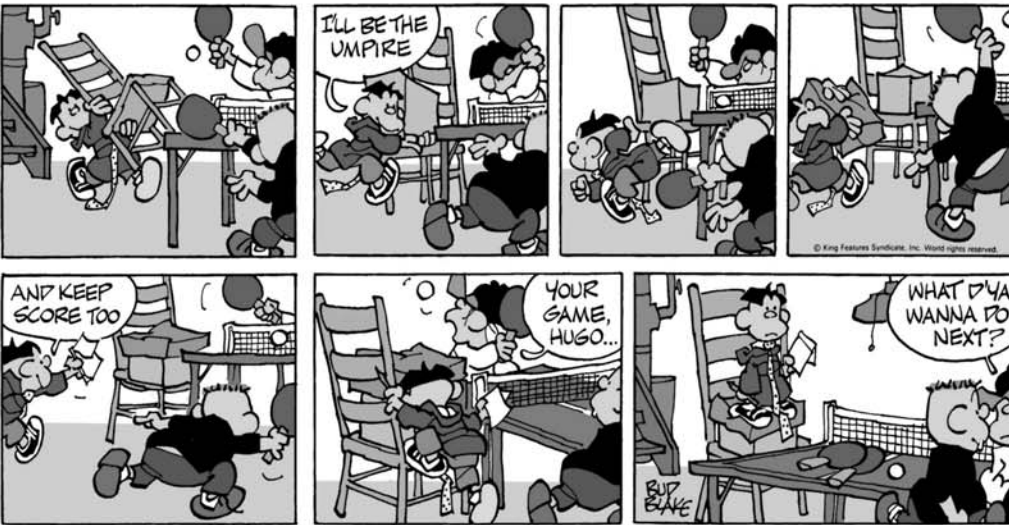
The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



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by BUD BLAKE

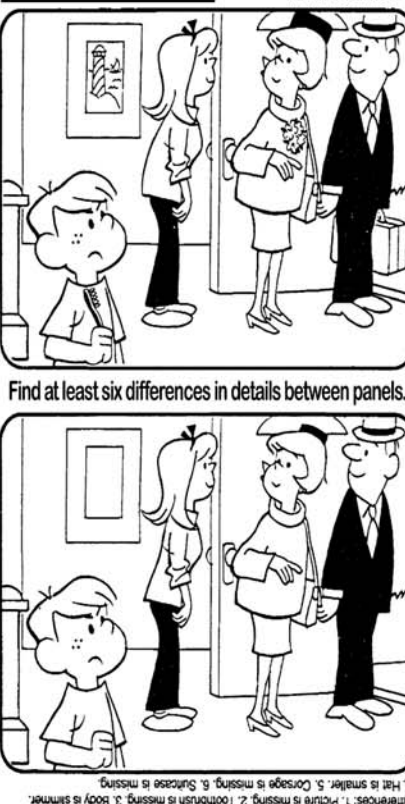


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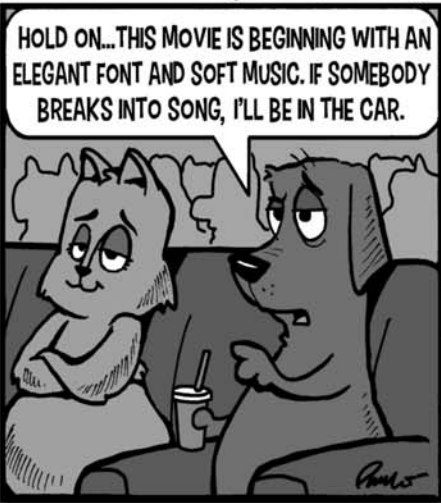
HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: X equals T

VLXXLSI ILZX XP NMSR QULVLSI
MAPBX WPSILI XWMX IXPJ MZQ
SLNBIL XP FLLJ UMFVHZT:
AMVF RMHV.

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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Path

Brand

Figure

OUTER _____

BELLA _____

PHASE _____

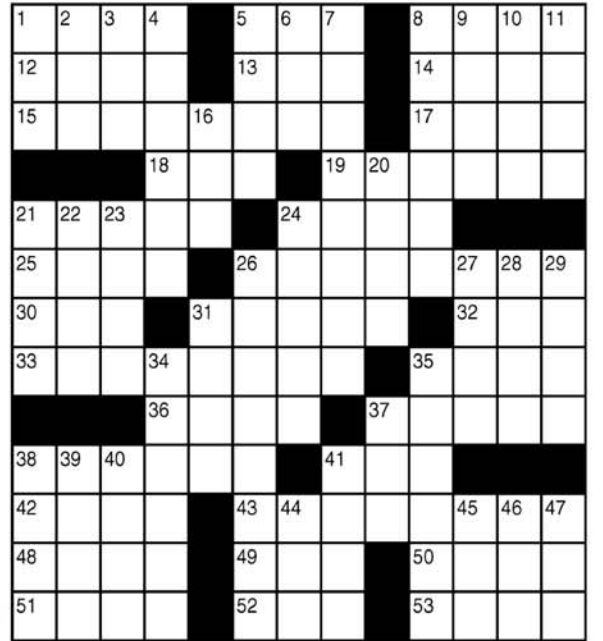
TODAY'S WORD

"I'd hate to see the _____."

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Jog
- 5 Cry
- 8 Goblet feature
- 12 Stead
- 13 Spanish aunt
- 14 Tortoise's opponent
- 15 Ride-sharing arrangements
- 17 Work units
- 18 Sixth sense
- 19 Forbidden acts
- 21 Stylish wrap
- 24 Flintstones' pet
- 25 Comic strip possum
- 26 "Yellow" band
- 30 Where Lux. is
- 31 Primitive
- 32 Brit. record label
- 33 Slapstick missile
- 35 Perched on lawn
- 36 Evergreens
- 37 Icky
- 38 Where Gauguin painted
- 41 Pen name
- 42 Out of the storm
- 43 Temporary lodging
- 48 Furnace fuel



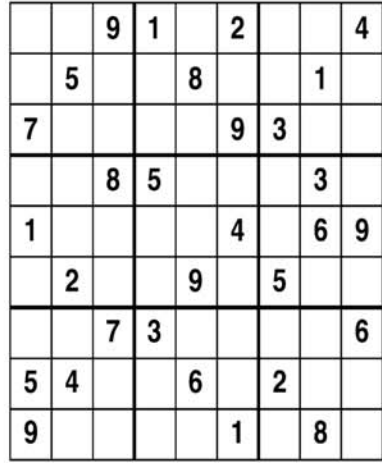
DOWN

- 1 Pampering, for short
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- 10 Thus
- 11 Disarray
- 16 Sugary suffix
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- 21 Murray
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- 23 Shrek, for one
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- 26 Whirms
- 27 Jared of

- 28 Book after Joel
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

- ♦ Moderate
 - ♦♦ Challenging
 - ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!
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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: In which city is the Brandenburg Gate located?
2. TELEVISION: Which 1990s TV show catapulted actor George Clooney to fame?
3. MOVIES: Which department store is featured in the 1947 holiday film, "Miracle on 34th Street"?
4. LEGAL: What kind of legislative body is bicameral?
5. FOOD & DRINK: What is the main ingredient in guacamole?
6. LITERATURE: In "The Night Before Christmas" poem, how many reindeer does Santa Claus have?
7. CHEMISTRY: Which chemical element's symbol is C?
8. HISTORY: Who is the first female chancellor of Germany?
9. MUSIC: Which female French singer had a hit song with "La Vie en Rose"?
10. SCIENCE: When did the Krakatoa volcano have its last major eruption?

- Answers
1. Berlin, Germany.
 2. "ER."
 3. Macy's.
 4. A legislative body with two chambers, like House and Senate.
 5. Avocado.
 6. Eight.
 7. Carbon.
 8. Angela Merkel.
 9. Edith Piaf.
 10. 1883.

WORD LADDERS

Can you go from BILLS to STARS in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

BILLS

STARS

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Tread 2. Route; 3. Label; 4. Shape

Today's Word

LOSER

WORD LADDER

Answer

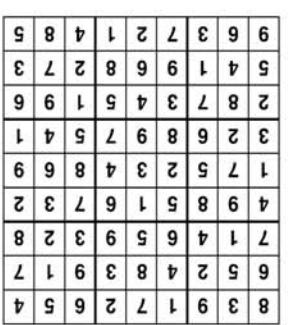
BILLS, BELLS, SELLS, SEALS, SEARS, STARS



Solution time: 23 mins.

King Crossword

Answers



Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

CryptoQuip

Answers

Letters sent to farm dwellers about horses that stop and refuse to keep walking; balk mail.