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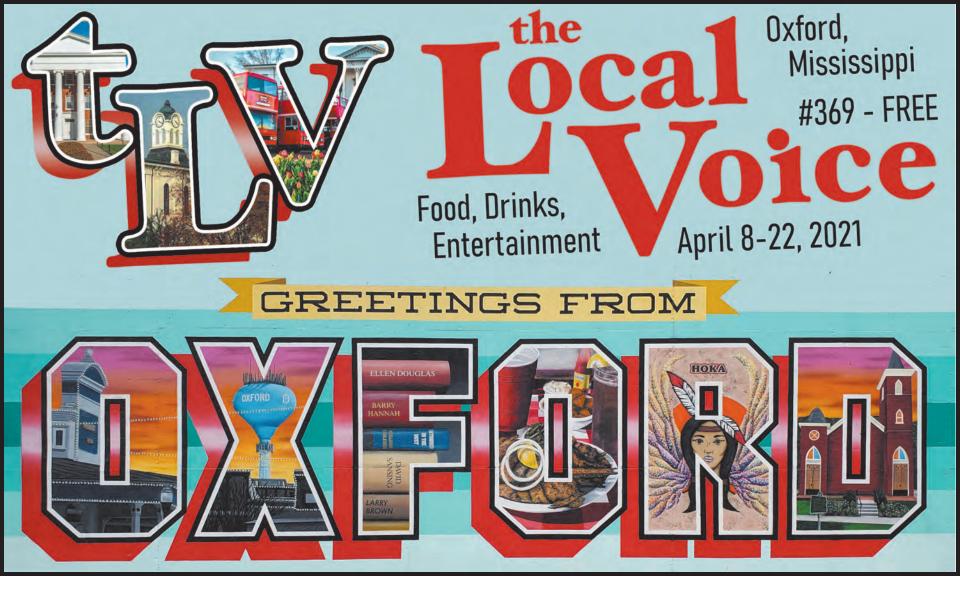
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Mississippi's Juke Joint Festival Returns to Clarksdale April 15–18

While most other music festivals in **Mississippi**, **Arkansas**, **Tennessee**, and **Louisiana** have cancelled for spring or moved to fall, **Clarksdale**'s "pandemic-ly modified" **Juke Joint Festival** remains ready to rock the weekend of **April 17**, **2021**.

"Juke Joint Festival is back, y'all—a little smaller and a little more outdoors," according to **Roger Stolle**, Juke Joint Festival co-founder. "Got Mask? Then, Clarksdale's Juke Joint Festival is on! Check it out at jukejointfestival. com."

According to the nonprofit event's organizers, hundreds of hours and thousands of dollars have been spent to create a fun weekend that keeps everyone's health in mind.

"Thanks to our loyal music fans, Clarksdale has kept live blues going on a daily basis throughout the pandemic — sometimes in-person, always online," said Stolle. "How do we do this? We clean up, mask up, and socially distance. We do events outdoors when we can and take precautions indoors when we can't. And we use livestreaming to fill in the blanks."

As the global pandemic struck last spring, the 2020 Juke Joint Festival quickly switched gears and moved online with a then-unprecedented 9-hour 27-act live-stream labeled the "Virtual Juke Joint Festival Celebration." It featured blues acts performing in front of laptops and smartphones, from the town of Clarksdale to the country of Colombia.

This year? Organizers knew it was time to go public.

"Folks are tired of staying home. They want to see some live music and experience our little historic downtown," explained **Nan Hughes**, another festival organizer. "We're just asking for their help to make this a super-positive weekend that puts business back into the businesses, safely."

This year's Juke Joint Festival & Related Events run Thursday through Sunday, April 15–18, with

the main activities on Saturday. The festival is letting potential attendees know up front that organizers (with support of the City, Tourism, and Chamber) expect masking, social distancing and other health and safety protocols to be followed.

As a reward, organizers are offering an ambitious, long weekend of music, food, arts and crafts, and even animals.

"When we started our festival almost two decades ago, we decided it would be 'half blues festival, half smalltown fair, and all about the Delta," explained Hughes. "Family-friendly outdoor events like racing pigs and monkeys riding dogs help keep JJF about music and much more. There is literally something for everyone of all ages."

Select events will be streamed via LiveFromClarksdale. org, and additional visitor information is available at VisitClarksdale.com. More information can be found online at jukejointfestival.com.

The festival wishes to thank all of its attendees, performers and volunteers as well as major sponsors and

partners like Visit Clarksdale, Crossroads Economic Partnership, Visit Mississippi, Isle of Capri, Southern Bancorp, and The Walton Family Foundation.

A sampling of the long weekend's highlights includes:

- Thursday, April 15 FREE -Juke Joint Festival Kickoff starring Christone "Kingfish" Ingram
 Friday, April 16 - FREE -Thacker Mountain Radio live show, JJF edition
- Satuday, April 17 FREE -13 daytime music stages (10 am-6 pm); plus street vendors

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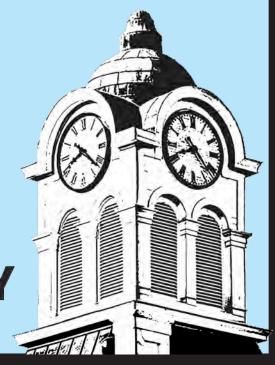
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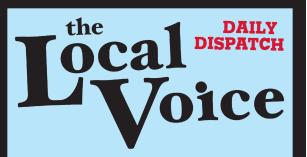




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Southern Coop: Monday-Wednesday 11 am-9 pm, Thursday-Saturday 11 am-10 pm: dine-in, pickup, delivery: Fetcht.

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Sunday, 10:30 am-9 pm; dine-in, outdoor seating, pickup. **Uno Mas:** Monday-Friday, 11 am-10 pm, Saturday, 10 am-10 pm; Sunday 10 am-9 pm; dine-in, outdoor seating, pickup, delivery:

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Local Views

Will Mississippi Overturn Roe v. Wade?

Since Roe v. Wade in 1973, states have been prohibited from imposing laws that infringe on the right to pre-viability abortions. Mississippi, historically known for not taking kindly to the federal government telling it what it can or cannot do, is challenging that constitutional rule in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization. Supreme Court observers believe that *Dobbs* has the best chance of the dozen or so abortion cases sitting on the Supreme Court's desk to be selected for review and decision.

Mississippi is challenging *Roe's* holding that the Constitution's liberty and privacy guarantees give expecting mothers the constitutional right to choose abortion when the fetus is not yet viable, viability meaning when, in the judgment of the attending physician, there is a reasonable likelihood that the fetus could survive outside the expecting mother's womb (generally considered to be around week 24). After Roe, access to pre-viability abortion is a nation-wide right. Unlike other laws that seem to vary state-by-state, even county-by-county, previability abortion became nationwide, from sea-toshing sea, a right that states could not touch. And some states have hated it ever since.

However, in rulings after *Roe v. Wade*, such as Planned Parenthood v. Casey, the Court held that states do have legitimate interests in the area of abortion regulation, interests such as the protection of the health of expecting mothers, the dignity of unborn children, and the integrity of the medical profession and society, but only in post-viability abortions. And, as pre-textual as you might think those reasons are, and, like it or not, these cases give states the authority to pass post-viability abortion-restricting laws. And there's the rub. You have

one case, Roe, saying states cannot touch pre-viability abortions, and then other cases that say states have legitimate interests in abortion regulation. Mississippi is saying-what's the difference in the age of the fetus? Either

we can regulate abortions or not—we can and adios Roe. The Dobbs case sets up this direct clash of the right of the expecting mother and right of the state, and Mississippi argues that the state's authority to pass laws limiting abortion extends to pre-viability abortions and trumps Roe v. Wade. With three Trump-nominated Justices, people wonder if Roe v. Wade is in trouble.

Mississippi argues that if the states have a legitimate interest to regulate post-viability abortions, then the states have the same interest to regulate pre-viability abortions. Mississippi argues that the state's interest in protecting potential human life exists throughout the pregnancy and using viability as a point where the mother's right to choose outweighs the state's right to regulate is an arbitrary distinction, and a distinction that in today's medical world where artificial wombs can carry a child outside of the mother is becoming less and less clear. Mississippi argues that, if it can regulate postviability abortions, then it can regulate abortion from conception. In Mississippi's court filings, the Mississippi Attorney General described the case as an "ideal vehicle" to untangle "the contradictions in this Court's decisions overuse of viability as a bright line for measuring pro-life legislation."

Mississippi's case then gets into the weeds of constitutional law and involves the burdens of proof and standards of review in abortion-restricting legislation cases. Mississippi argues that the states effectively have the burden of proving that an abortion-limiting law is constitutional, but, rather, opponents of the law should have the burden of proving that the law is unconstitutional. "To-mayto, to-mah-to" you may be saying, but these legal issues, as semantic as they may appear, are important. Generally speaking, Mississippi argues that State abortion laws should be shown more respect by the Federal Courts and opponents should have to prove more than they do now to get a state abortion law struck down as unconstitutional. Some legal experts believe this is the argument that might have the most success, and that the Supreme Court could uphold Roe in the direct clash of the titans but change the burdens and standards that erodes the very protections of Roe.

Finally, in Dobbs, Mississippi argues that a health clinic cannot challenge an abortion law on behalf of its patients. The case was filed by a clinic on behalf of its patients. Mississippi argues that the clinic's constitutional rights are not at issue and, if anyone can challenge the law at all, those challenges

must be brought by people with a direct, constitutional

what?" you might ask. Patients are rarely individually able to afford Supreme Court lawyers, and rarely organized to bring Supreme Court litigation collectively, so eliminating suits brought by others on behalf of patients would reduce challenges to abortion-restricting laws.

Some people might be proud, some folks might be appalled, but there is a good chance that Mississippi is the state that will be the ultimate test of Roe v. Wade. 🗤

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right affected. This is called a "standings" argument, saying that this is not the health clinic's fight, and the patients should fight their own battles, if they want to fight at all. "So





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Ward III Brian Hyneman 166 Alexandria White 31

Ward V Preston Taylor 60 Tracey Williams 33 Justin Boyd 2 There were 954 ballots cast on Primary Election Day, April 6, 2021. There were 178 absentee ballots cast. Fourteen affidavit ballots were accepted.

Seventeen affidavit ballots were rejected for various reasons, including no voter registration, registered to vote after the deadline, registered in a different ward, and lack of witness signatures by poll workers.

There are four affidavit ballots that are pending the showing of a photo ID. The voters of these ballots have five days after the election to present ID, otherwise they will be rejected. Because there is no Republican or Independent challenger, **Rick Addy** is re-elected to another fouryear term as Alderman of Ward I. He won by a total of 24 votes.

Brian Hyneman wins the Democratic nomination in Ward III and will face Republican McQueen Miscamble in the general election.

Preston Taylor wins the Democratic nomination in Ward V and will face Republican **Barney Chadwick** in the general election.

The general election will take place June 8, 2021. You must be registered to vote by May 10.

GREETINGS FROM

Soon, the **Oxford** community and visitors will be able to send "Greetings from Oxford" with a custom painted mural to be located on a wall in the lower parking lot behind **City Hall**. The thirty-two feet by nine feet artwork will be depicted as a postcard mural painted by **Greetings Tour** company, and will feature iconic scenes from Oxford as well as cultural and historical imagery.

Visit Oxford received a grant from the Mississippi Hills National Heritage Alliance to fund a public work of art that will highlight and bring awareness to heritage in the areas of African American history, literary history, Native American history, and local culture. "The hope is this mural will bring interest to these important parts of our history all while bringing beautification to our town," said Kinney Ferris, Executive Director of Visit Oxford.

"Oxford has long been recognized as a cultural mecca. We have seen public art lead to increased levels of community engagement and know that our citizens and visitors will enjoy engaging with this mural as a backdrop," said Mayor Robyn Tannehill.

<u>Sights around Oxford:</u> The letters O and X capture the spirit of Christmastime in Oxford as the downtown Square is lit by a canopy of white lights. This mural section also showcases the facade of Neilson's department store, the oldest in the South, as well as the bright blue water tower bearing the city's name and logo.

Literary History: Oxford has been home to many authors, welcoming them in its warm embrace and fostering their talents. The letter F will highlight local authors including Ellen Douglas, Barry Hannah, David Sansing, Larry Brown and Nobel-prize laureate William Faulkner.

Southern food: Known as a culinary destination in the South, Oxford prides itself on delectable Southern food. The letter O will be filled with a Southern fried catfish plate as an example of the one-on-a-kind food you can find in the small town.

Native American roots: The letter R will feature a rendering of Chickasaw maiden, **Princess Hoka**. Oxford was founded on land that was purchased from Princess Hoka in 1836 before becoming home to Mississippi's first university-the **University of Mississippi**.

African American Heritage: The letter D showcases the Burns-Belfry Museum & Multicultural Center, dedicated to African American history. After the Civil War, the Burns Methodist Episcopal Church was organized by freed African Americans who settled in the area known as "Freedmen Town" and erected the current church building in 1910. Following its recently completed restoration, the Burns-Belfry offers a professionally designed museum exhibit on African American history from slavery through Civil Rights.

The mural is scheduled to be finished by mid-April. Community members and visitors will have the opportunity to have their picture taken in front of the mural by a local photographer on Saturday, April 24, as part of the **Pop Up Oxford: Spring Edition** festivities that Visit Oxford is planning. For more information and details, visit popupoxfordms.com.

Greetings Tour company creates landmarks through public art and works with communities to create colorful murals featuring local landmarks, history, and culture. The artist duo consists of muralist and former **New York** graffiti artist, **Victor Ving** and photographer **Lisa Beggs** who have completed over 45 murals in 21 states and plan on continuing their mission to paint in all fifty states.

Local artist **Bradley Gordon** will also play a part in the creation of the Greetings mural. Gordon said, "I'm honored to be a part of such a cool project for our little town and really look forward to watching it come to life! Go Oxford!" Gordon will collaborate with Greetings Tour by utilizing his painting style to create the wings around Princess Hoka's face in a depiction of the original logo.

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All Eyes On Oxford April 9–11: No. 3 Rebels Host No. 2 Razorbacks in Three-Game Series

With both teams tied for first in the SEC Western Division with records of 7-2, **Arkansas** and **Ole Miss** are sure to not disappoint this weekend in a three-game series at **Swayze Field** in Oxford. Both teams are ranked—Ole Miss at No. 3 and Arkansas at No. 2. Both teams possess a solid pitching staff complete with closers and mid-relievers. Both head coaches are veterans at their position, with **Mike Bianco** in his 21st year and **Dave Van Horn** in his 19th at **Fayetteville**.

Razorbacks to Watch

Arkansas carries a freshman closer in **Jaxon Wiggins**, who boasts an ERA of 1.86 in nine appearances and is credited with four saves. The Oklahoma native brings a fastball that clocks in around 98 miles per hour while striking out 14 batters and walking six.

Aiding Wiggins from behind the plate is **Casey Optiz** who is on the **Buster Posey Catcher of the Year** watch list. Optiz calls his own pitches, which is very rare at the collegiate level and returned to Fayetteville after his name was not called in the MLB five round draft in 2020. At the plate, Optiz is hitting .311 with one homerun and eight RBI. His 30 hits on the year is tied for a team best.

First Team All-SEC Second Baseman **Robert Moore** gives the Razorbacks an offensive jolt with a batting average of .267, five homeruns, and drawing 15 walks. Moore is an excellent fielder at .981 and two errors on the year.

Lost and Found Rebels

Ole Miss lost its most productive offensive power on Monday night when senior first baseman **Tim Elko** went down with an ACL tear. It is not clear how long Elko will be out, but it will most likely be a season-ending injury. Bianco did allude to the possibility of Elko as a designated hitter later this year, but nothing is official.

Returning from injuries include first baseman and dinger champ **Cael Baker**. The six-foot 250 pound **Kenny Powers** look-alike returned to the lineup recently. Baker made a name for himself in the shortened 2020 season with four homers and 15 RBI in 14 games. He has the ability to make up for the power lost with Elko's injury.

Another bat returning from the injury bug is Pensacola native **Trey Lafleur**. The sophomore had two homeruns in just 11 at bats in early 2021. Don't be fooled by his .167 average.

Down the Stretch

Ole Miss will be tested early and often over the next month in SEC play. The Rebels face No. 2 Arkansas, No.5 **Mississippi State**, No. 11 **South Carolina**, and No. 1 **Vanderbilt** in what is shaping up to be top 10 matchups every weekend.



by Carver Rayburn

Versus - By the Numbers											
	Arkansas	Ole Miss									
Record	23-4 ~ 7-2	23-6 ~ 7-2									
Batting Avg.	.280	.285									
Walks	143	140									
Doubles	39	49									
Homeruns	50	33									
ERA	3.88	3.54									
Hit by Pitch	33	37									
Runs/Game	7.5	7.6									

In the Polls

	Razorbacks	Rebels
D1Baseball	No. 2	No. 3
Baseball America	No. 1	No. 3
NCBWA	No. 2	No. 3
USA Today	No. 2	No. 3

SEC Standings

THE WESTERN DIVISION										
	Overall	SEC								
Ole Miss	23-6	7-2								
Arkansas	23-4	7-2								
Miss. State	21-7	5-4								
Texas A&M	19-12	3-6								
Alabama	16-11	2-7								
LSU	18-11	1-8								
Auburn	12-13	1-8								

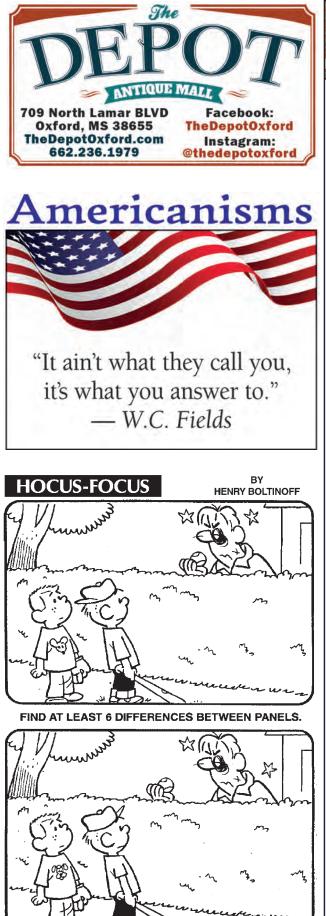
THE EASTERN DIVISION

	Overall	SEC
Vanderbilt	24-3	8-1
Tennessee	25-5	7-2
S. Carolina	19-8	6-3
Kentucky	19-7	5-4
Florida	19-9	5-4
Georgia	18-10	3-6
Missouri	10-17	3-6



DINE-IN, CARRY OUT,





Differences: Cap is reversed. 2. Star is moved. 3. Sleeve is shorter. 4. Hand is moved. 5. Cuffs are missing. 6. Shirt is different.





Notes in My Phone: Part Two

Local Views

As promised in my last column ("Notes in My Phone: Part One"), I now present "Notes in My Phone: Part Two" (The Sequel), January 2020 through March 2021.

IUD or IED? We want what we want when we want it. E I E I. Oh? Oh! Ohhhhhh... Bacon jam burger: cheese is good! I got the urge to merge.

Hearts with nails. Bio-debatable. Bio-beratable. Bio-inflatable.

Left foot humor.

Tattoos and beer, please.

The e-pissels of Paul.

Velvet lightening.

Altared states.

You're too mean to die. It all depends on Mama.

End times fun.

- End times fun
- I ask nothing of you—only that you always speak to me clearly and true.

Jesus on a scooter.

The gift of my bifurcated mind. Regrets grow tiresome. Terminally Caucasian.

Zip ties, candles, vodka, lighter fluid.

The things people slap crosses on!

Sometimes they speak to you and ¹ they don't speak to us.

Questions take away the smokescreen. I'm making space to make the space.

Consistently erratic.

She says nothing in the most judgmental way. You are the superlative I never called you.

There is no vaccine for racism. Money won is so much better than money earned.

It's a keto situation.

Totally open, responsibly guarded.

You were gone so long I got a dog.

Jenafauxpas. Floor Matt.

Floor Matt. Mattress ticking Ma

Mattress ticking. Mattress ticking? Flea bargaining.

The weapon is in the bush.



Birds forage among plants for seeds, flower nectar, berries, fruit, nuts and grains. They collect dried grass, pine needles, lichen, moss, twigs, small plant roots, plant down, plant stems, sticks and weeds to use in building their nests. Their favorite places for shelter are in a thorny hedge, spiky plants or trees, in high tree canopy, in densely foliaged trees such as conifers, in the cavities of tree trunks or branches, flowering shrubs or in dense ground cover. – *Brenda Weaver*

Sources: www.vandusengarden.org, www.allaboutbirds.org

- I can't let these feelings show. I can't let these feelings go. Mostly, I can't let you know—how much I love you.
 - Love's a double-edged sword.

It was nice to be normal for a minute.

- Sometimes I look up in the sky and think someone up there might speak to me, but all I get is silence.
- I could get lower insurance rates if I were more Afletic.
- When someone tells you about something that happened "just the other day", do you realize there are six "other days" to choose from?
- There's now a toilet paper that is three-ply. Can four-ply be far behind?

Guido Redneck.

Gas station Rose.

She prances on the clouds.

- Gladiolas. Sadiolas.
- Perpetually screwed up like me. Pole-dancing on a street sign. Twerking on the Square.
- I went to sleep with your name on my smile.
- Whatever happened to DropTop Tallulah?

You came out of your grave to haunt me—

to flaunt in front of me all those things I did wrong—

the women I had slept with,

the times I drank too much, the lying and the cheating,

the false prayers, and,

worst of all,

the exaltations that came only from my lips and not my soul.

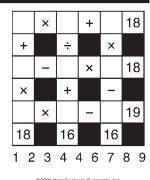
...and that's the View from The Balcony.

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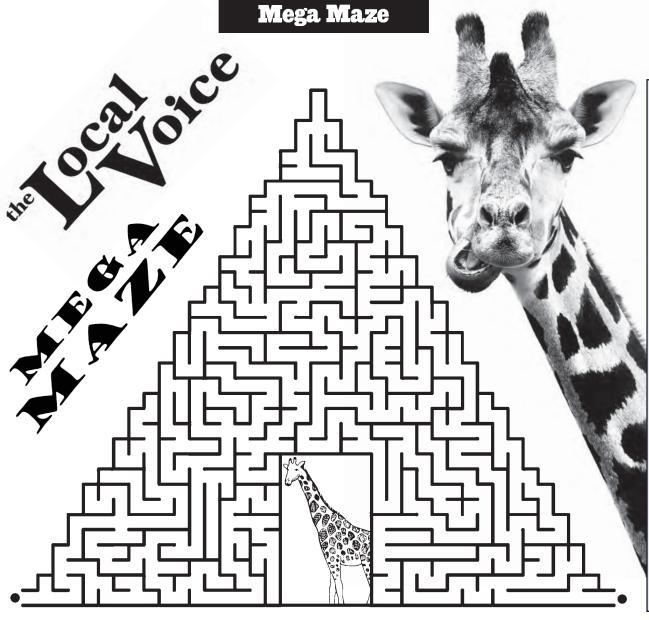
GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once. **DIFFICULTY: *****

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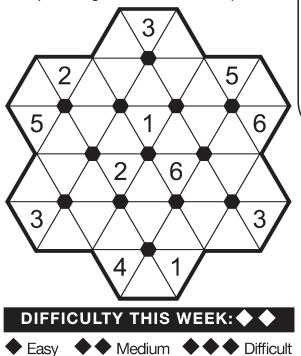


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Showflakes by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW One letter stands for another. In this sample, **A** is used for the three L's, **X** for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

IOKIP ZRIQT VKRRQOV NZOQ MD IPQ PQGI ZR AIV CQRQTCQOV IPGT ROZN IPQ GOJKNQTIV ZR AIV ZYYZVQOV. – HASSAGN YQTT

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: R equals S

JP Y FYO ISZBM ISFT VS Y ISRVZFT

AYUVQ MUTRRTM YR Y DOJPT, XT'M

BSSD UTYBBQ RXYUA.



- 1. LANGUAGE: What is the word for "M" in the international alphabet code used in radio?
- 2. TELEVISION: What was the real first name of the character Fonzie in the comedy *Happy Days*?
- 3. SCIENCE: Which country has the greatest number of tornados annually?
- 4. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Australia?
- 5. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What are the only two known mammals that lay eggs?
- 6. LITERATURE: What was the name of the first monster in *Beowulf*?
- 7. MOVIES: What was the name of the villain in the movie *Three Amigos*!?
- 8. U.S. STATES: What is the nickname of Wyoming?
- 9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the color of envy, culturally speaking?
- 10. BUSINESS: Which country's basic currency is the sol?





Answers: I. Mike 2. Arthur 3. United States, central and south regions 4. Canberra 5. Duck-billed platypus and the spiny anteater 6. Grendel 7. El Guapo 8. The Equality State 9. Green 10. Peru M



"To really know a thing, you've got to feel it on your skin." –Shelby Foote (November 17, 1916 – June 27, 2005)

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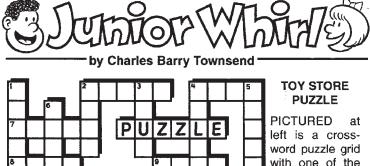


- "The Whole Shabang" is a brand of potato chips once sold only in jails and prisons. It was so popular that in 2016, due to demand from ex-inmates, it was finally made available to the general public.
- The majority of people will tilt their head to the right when they kiss.
- Sherlock Holmes creator Sir Arthur Conan Doyle helped popularize skiing by being the first Englishman to document the sport.
- In Alabama, it's against the law to drive while impersonating a member of the clergy.
- For centuries, doctors thought that medicines made with human flesh, blood or bone could be effective in curing all kinds of ailments, from epilepsy to headaches. The practice was called "corpse medicine."
- The original name for the search engine Google was Backrub. It was renamed after the googolplex, which is the number 1 followed by 100 zeros.
- The fear of young people is known as "ephebiphobia."
- Gatling gun salesmen went to Civil War battlefields to demonstrate their products in actual combat.
- A newly sworn-in Barack Obama visited the U.K. in 2009 and presented some rather curious gifts to the prime minister and queen: 25 DVDs to David Cameron, and an iPod Classic to the then-octogenarian Elizabeth II. Cameron returned the gesture with some "wellies" and Hobgoblin ale.
- In the Solomon Islands, dolphin teeth were (and still are) used as a form of currency.
- Historically, most Easter celebrants would have eaten lamb for the occasion, as the holiday has its roots in the Jewish Passover. Most American Easter dinners now feature ham, however, because years ago, hams cured over the winter would have been ready to serve in early spring.
- Thought for the Day: "When writing the story of your life, don't let anyone else hold the pen." -- Harley Davidson 🏧

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FRAMED! Hidden in the above frame of letters is the first line of a famous nursery rhyme. You can find it by reading every other letter in the frame as you read around it clockwise. The trick is to find the correct letter to start with. The picture is a clue. Answer: Starting at "S" in the lower left-hand corner, read: "Sing a song of sixpence..

A NUTTY CHALLENGE! Tell your friends that you have in your hand something that no one on earth has ever seen, and that after you show it to them no one will ever see it again. When they fail to figure out what you're hold-ing, open your hand and show them a peanut shell. Open the shell and show them the peanuts inside. No one has ever seen them before. Now pop them into your mouth and chew them up. No one will ever see them again!

2. Native of Glasgow.

4. Symbol of a sports team.

WAKE UP! No sleeping on this one. In this puzzle, all of the words get progressively longer, and they all end in COT. Use the following definitions:

- 1. COT (in place).
- 3. A broad scarf.

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NETS WAGON SLED Glove, 8. Nets, 9. Mask, (Down) 1. Wagon, 2. Sled, 3. Drum, 4. Dolls, 5. Train, 6. Boat,

Below are the words that you'll

need to finish the puzzle. The

items are all things that you might

buy in a toy store. See if you can

fill in the puzzle before the store

closes in 10 minutes.

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words

BOAT

DART

DRUM

MASK

words filled in.

5-letter

words

DOLLS

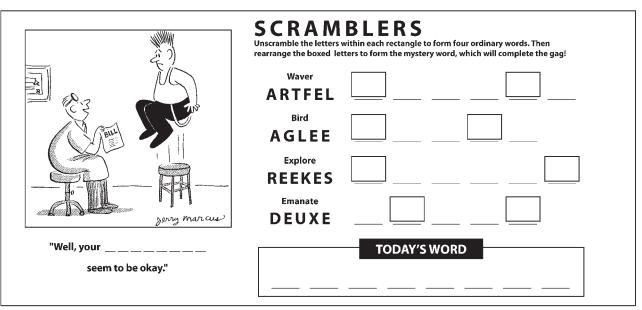
GLOVE

SLIDE

TRAIN

Answers: (Across) 2. Slide. 4. Dart. 7.

5. A yellow-orange fruit. 6. Paneling on walls. Answers: 1. Cot. 2. Scot. 3. Ascot. 4. Mascot. 5. Apricot. 6. Wainscot.



Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Sudden fear	R	Airplane trip	L	During COV
2. Pursue	A	Picked out	0	1. Pizza 2. Hamburgers
3. Horizontally aligned	L	Pry bar	R	3. Ice cream
4. Mockup	A	Easy, like Simon	_ !	4. French fries
5. Glue	T	Outdated	S	5. Mac & cheese
6. Employee reward	U _	Tibia and ulna	E	6. Potato chips
7. Standard book	A	More embarrassed	D	7. Cookies
8. Halloween perk	т	Lakes	G	8. Chocolate 9. Cereal
9. Top of the wave	E	Pizza edge	U	10. Fried chicken
10. Multiplication lists	S	Mobile computer	T	Source: OnePoll/Farm Rich



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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.

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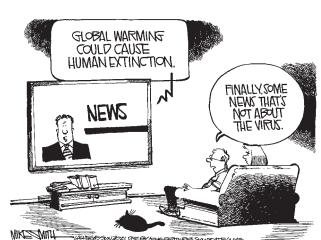
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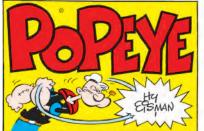
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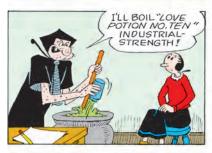
THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME





















... THAT WAS "DESICCATED LIZARD GIZZARD ...)







"Christ's Thorn" plant

The Ziziphus spina-christi is an evergree tree found in the valleys and lowlands of countries bordering the Mediterranean Sea along its southern coasts. Wood fro this plant appears to have been in use during the times of the pharoahs, as we as parts of the plant used for medicine, and its fruits were used to make a type bread which is still made in these lands today. Traditions say that these trees an sacred, and no harm from the spirit wo will befall any who sleep beneath them – Brenda Wea Source www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov

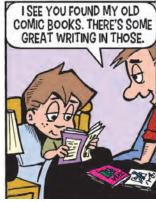
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"That's yours over there-the troublemaker!"



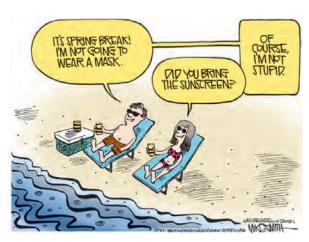
Amber Waves











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Just Like Cats & Dogs







"One of your personalities has stolen the identity of one of your other personalities."

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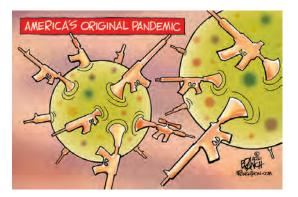


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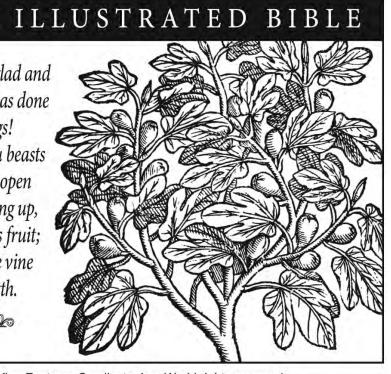




Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done marvelous things! Do not be afraid, you beasts of the field; for the open pastures are springing up, and the tree bears its fruit; The fig tree and the vine yield their strength.

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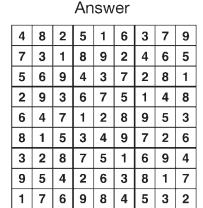
CryptoQuote

answer Truth often suffers more by the heat of its defenders than from the arguments of its oppose

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- 3) snow D R I F T wood
- 4) round H O U S E plant

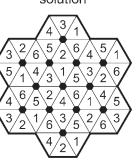
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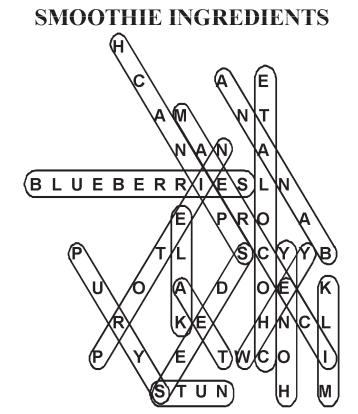
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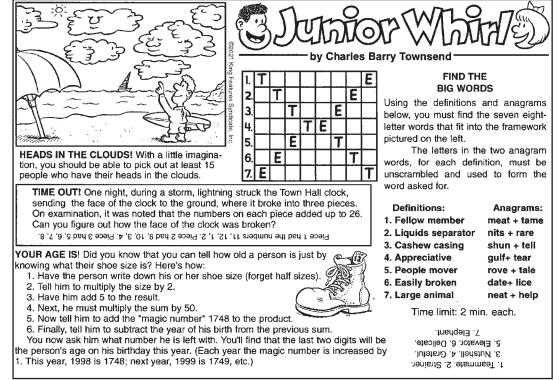
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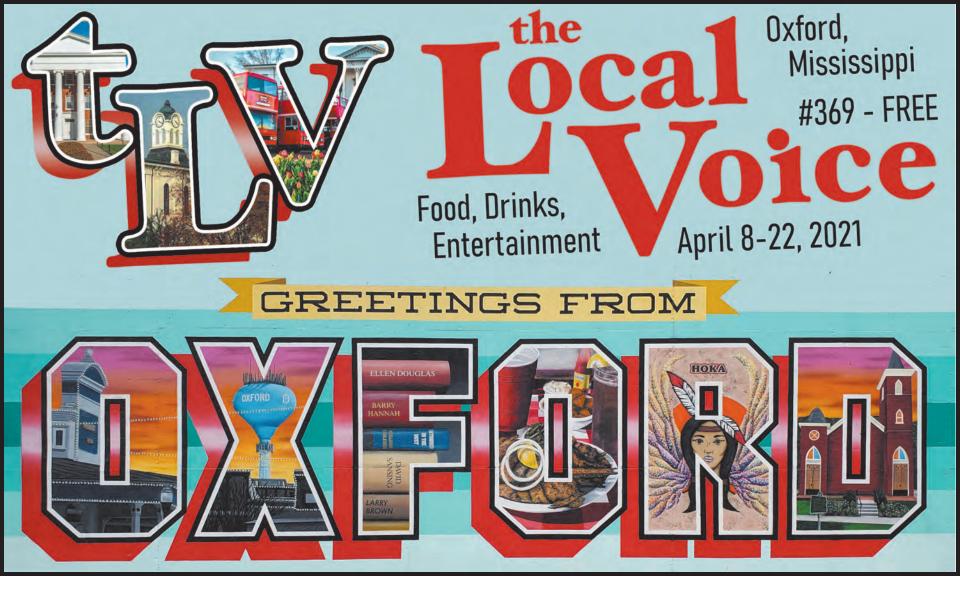
answers

- 1. Fright, Flight
- 2. Chase, Chose
- 3. Level, Lever
- 4. Sample, Simple
- 5. Paste, Passe
- 6. Bonus, Bones
- Reader, Redder 7.
- 8. Treat, Great
- 9. Crest, Crust
- 10. Tables, Tablet





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