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| 1  | Debra Livingston | 11 | Michael Witek     |
| 1  | Mike Morra       | 12 | Barbara Davenport |
| 2  | Patricia Quinn   | 12 | Linda Gagnon      |
| 3  | Lynn Dutra       | 12 | Connie Muck       |
| 3  | Arlene Houde     | 13 | Louis Guigon      |
| 3  | Patsy Hutton     | 13 | Tony Nguyen       |
| 3  | Dolly Lamontagne | 13 | Linda Stone       |
| 3  | Nancy Parker     | 13 | Valerie Vaughn    |
| 4  | Lee Ellsworth    | 14 | Richard Hutton    |
| 4  | Judie Howes      | 15 | Deborah Matthews  |
| 5  | Carole Dumican   | 15 | Barbara Nowak     |
| 5  | Phil Frump       | 16 | Joyce Larsen      |
| 5  | Barbara Prahst   | 16 | Becky MacPhee     |
| 6  | Brendan Cole     | 16 | Ernie Ruff        |
| 6  | Claire Labbe     | 17 | Patricia Burrell  |
| 6  | Wayne Stott      | 17 | Ken Paradine      |
| 6  | Pauline Tremblay | 17 | Mary Jo Ward      |
| 7  | Dwayne Bruzek    | 19 | Betty Bubelis     |
| 7  | George Noack     | 20 | Dave Szabo        |
| 7  | Bill Westerman   | 21 | Cynthia Clark     |
| 8  | Bill Arnold      | 21 | Jessica Keyes     |
| 8  | Dennis Brand     | 22 | Renee Chandler    |
| 8  | Nancy Cheek      | 22 | Barbara Pollard   |
| 8  | Janice Vedrode   | 22 | Eva Szabo         |
| 8  | Teresa Wienken   | 24 | Paul Stickler     |
| 9  | Carl Anderson    | 25 | Melissa Pierson   |
| 9  | Ed Kovach        | 25 | Flo Renfro        |
| 9  | Steve McLaughlin | 25 | Don Sawers        |
| 9  | Terry Melanson   | 25 | Jan Souza         |
| 9  | Patty Menz       | 26 | Marie Pelletier   |
| 9  | Tammy Rau        | 26 | Diane Witles      |
| 10 | Judy Meyer       | 27 | Anne Alcorn       |
| 10 | Rodney Renfro    | 27 | Valerie Knox      |
| 11 | Richard Davis    | 28 | Dan McNutt        |
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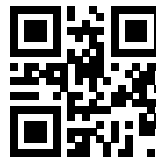


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	Bob Schmid & Lynn Scovish	2019
3	Louis & Judith Guigon	1982
7	Garrett & Jean Murray	1984
9	Stephen & Mary Kyle	1977
10	Ray & Linda Jewell	1965
13	Bert & Lois Cordle	1968
14	Don & Barbara Prahst	1956
19	Eugene & Janet Benkowski	1975
21	Bob & Connie Bosch	2017
21	Vernon & Ann Perry	2017
22	Kendall & Joanne Innes	1979
22	Mike & Barbara Nowak	1966
25	Dick & Carla Lies	1981
25	Mick & Lisa Lynch	
25	Pat & Carol McMahon	1972
27	Wayne & Lisa Stoner	1985
30	Joe & Simone Dawson	2004



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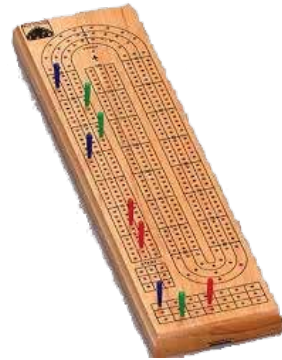
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Name		Total
<b>2/7/2024</b>		
Glenn Gifford	6	200
Rachel Melanson	5	343
Laurie Melanson	5	319
Maggie Sherstone	5	311

<b>2/14/2024</b>		
Chuck Davis	7	120
Joe Dawson	7	120
JoAnne Lavigne	6	217
Denise Foster	5	310

<b>2/21/2024</b>		
Glenn Gifford	6	219
Joe Dawson	6	201
Bill Westerman	5	336
Chuck Davis	5	320

<b>2/28/2024</b>		
Dan Ranieri	6	220
Ray Jewell	6	222
Kate Golden	5	339
Debbie MacKenzie	5	334

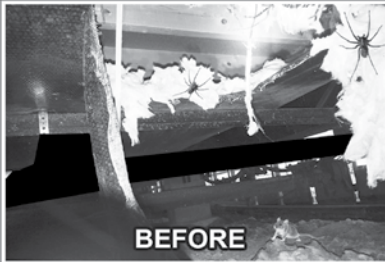


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# Wednesday Night Euchre League

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## February 7, 2024

Loners	3	Marlene Holton	
1st Place	54	Betty Bober	HH-10
2nd Place	54	Donna MacLeod	HH-8
3rd Place	51	Lou Vedrode	Lon-2
4th Place	51	Ricki Burk	Lon-1
5th Place	51	Bill Kohls	

## February 14, 2024

Loners	4	Teresa Hunter	
1st Place	64	Gary Burk	
2nd Place	63	Bill McIntosh	
3rd Place	61	Al Malenka	
4th Place	57	Murray MacNeill	
5th Place	54	Sue Berton	



## February 21, 2024

Loners	5	Jessica Keyes	
1st Place	69	Laurie Wookey	
2nd Place	62	Al Malenka	
3rd Place	51	Lou Vedrode	HH-10
4th Place	51	2.00 \$ Bill	HH-8

## February 28, 2024

Loners	7	Donna Tarvin	
1st Place	63	Betty Bober	
2nd Place	62	Murray MacNeill	Lon-6
3rd Place	62	Jessica Keyes	Lon-4
4th Place	53	Gary Sproule	

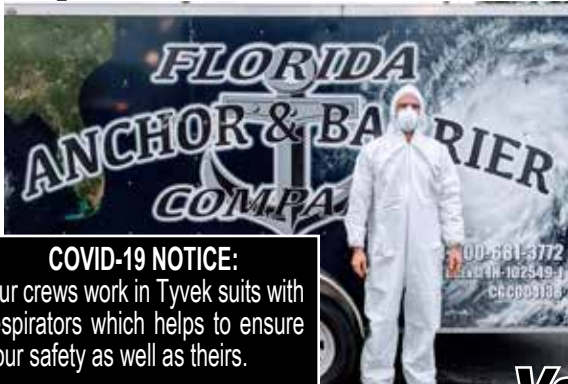


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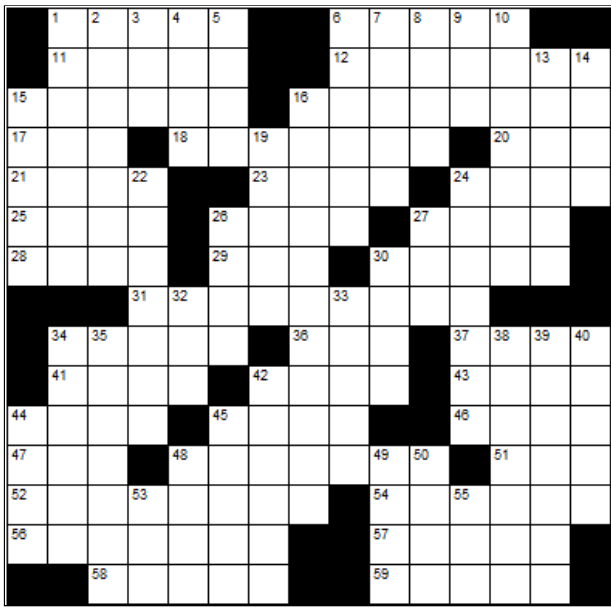
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- 1. Kind of nut
- 6. Condition
- 11. Extreme
- 12. Rhythmic pattern
- 15. Remnants
- 16. Scales
- 17. N N N
- 18. Bicyclist
- 20. Local Area Network
- 21. Mark down
- 23. Brews
- 24. Amount of medication
- 25. A set of garments
- 26. Small fastener
- 27. Sage
- 28. Engrave
- 29. Picnic insect
- 30. Uninterested
- 31. Humiliation
- 34. Walking sticks
- 36. Dung beetle
- 37. Big party
- 41. Double-reed woodwind
- 42. Cozy
- 43. Dwarf buffalo
- 44. Noble
- 45. Not now
- 46. Jewels
- 47. South southeast
- 48. Forceful
- 51. Encountered
- 52. Sporting venues
- 54. Not a single person
- 56. Perfume
- 57. Large Asian country
- 58. Thick woolen fabric
- 59. It comes from bees



**DOWN**

- 1. Emotional exhaustion
- 2. Stretchable
- 3. And more
- 4. Ship workers
- 5. Chop finely
- 6. Climbed
- 7. Fables
- 8. Jewish month
- 9. 5 plus 5
- 10. Surround completely
- 13. Stopped
- 14. Feudal worker
- 15. On edge
- 16. Unpunctual
- 19. Deservedly receives
- 22. Grain alcohol
- 24. Lowlife
- 26. Bleats
- 27. Was victorious
- 30. Large mass of floating ice
- 32. Honey insect
- 33. Climb up
- 34. Seashores
- 35. Side by side
- 38. Windflower
- 39. Eventually
- 40. Hurried
- 42. Humiliated
- 44. Being
- 45. Ceasefire
- 48. Banquet
- 49. 2.53 centimeters
- 50. Type of salmon
- 53. Morning moisture
- 55. Container



April  
Crossword





## APRIL CALENDAR

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**Alcohol Awareness Month.** April 1–30. To help raise awareness among community prevention leaders and citizens about the problem of underage drinking. For more information, browse [www.ncadd.org](http://www.ncadd.org).

**Celebrate Diversity Month.** April 1–30. To celebrate all diversity that exists within our workplaces, schools and communities. For more information, browse Diversity Calendar 2024: DEI Inclusion Events, Cultural Months ([diversityresources.com](http://diversityresources.com)).

**Child Abuse Prevention Month.** April 1–30. To prevent child abuse in all its forms. For more information, browse [www.preventchildabuse.com](http://www.preventchildabuse.com).

**International Customer Loyalty Month.** April 1–30. To honor and generate customer loyalty. For more information, browse [www.hyken.com](http://www.hyken.com).

**National Autism Awareness Month.** April 1–30. To raise awareness of autism. For more information, browse [www.njcosac.org](http://www.njcosac.org).

**National Donate Life Month.** April 1–30. To encourage Americans to consider organ and tissue donation and to sign donor cards when getting a driver's license. For more information, browse [www.organdonor.org](http://www.organdonor.org).

**National Sexual Assault Awareness Month.** April 1–30.

To raise awareness that every two-and-a-half minutes, somewhere in America, another person is sexually assaulted. Also to promote legislative efforts to address sexual assault violence, and to laud efforts of volunteers who assist in crisis services. For more information, browse [www.rainn.org](http://www.rainn.org).

## Weekly

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**Golden Rule Week.** April 1–7. To remind everyone of the importance of the Golden Rule in making this a better world in which we can all live. For more information, browse [www.holidaycalendar.io/holiday/golden-rule-week](http://www.holidaycalendar.io/holiday/golden-rule-week).

**Laugh At Work Week.** April 1- 7. To tout the benefits of laughing at work, including improved productivity, team work, communication, stress relief, job satisfaction and employee retention. For more information, browse [www.CreativelySpeaking.com](http://www.CreativelySpeaking.com).

**Administrative Professionals Week.** April 21–27. To acknowledge the contributions of all administrative professionals and their vital roles in business, industry, education and government. For more information, browse [www.iaap-hq.org](http://www.iaap-hq.org).

## Daily

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**April Fools' Day.** April 1. Began in France in 1564. April 1 used to be the first day of the new year, but was changed to Jan. 1 that year. People who insisted on celebrating the new year on April 1 became known as April fools and it became common to play jokes on them.

**Earth Day.** April 22. To accelerate the transition to renewable energy worldwide. For more information, browse [www.earthday.net](http://www.earthday.net).



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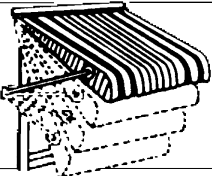
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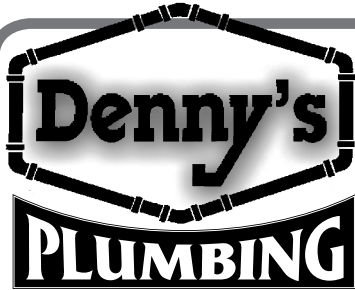
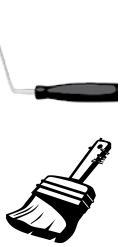
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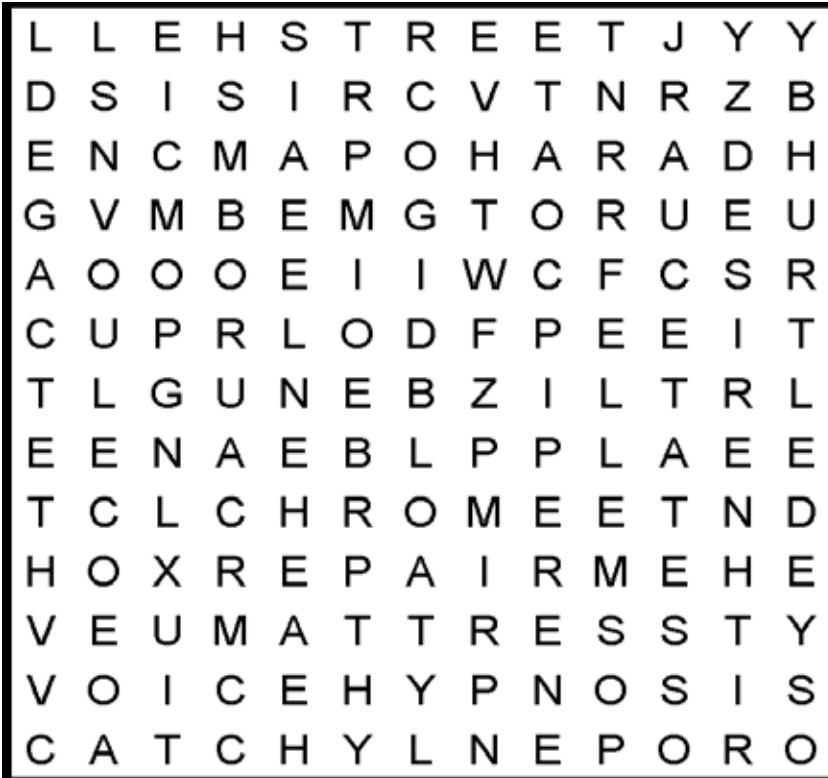
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According to Gene Shalit in *Great Hollywood Wit*, Oscar Levant was one of Hollywood's most irrepressible personalities. He was a quick wit and a concert pianist; he composed 19 film scores; he wrote three best-sellers; and he was known to drink up to 36 cups of coffee a day.



One day Levant showed up for a physical to join the World War II effort.

“Do you think you can kill?” a psychiatrist asked him.

“I don't know about strangers,” Levant said, “but friends, yes.”

He was deferred from service.

## Joke-telling 101

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According to Greg Dean, author of *Step by Step to Stand up Comedy*, in *Health* magazine, there are things you can do to tell a joke optimally. Here are his tips:



- Form a picture of what is happening in the joke in your mind. That should key in voice tone and body language that will help you with the storytelling facet of your joke.
- Practice on family or friends before you go public with your joke telling. Develop confidence in the telling of your joke.
- Never tell people that you're not good at telling jokes. Let them decide. Do not sabotage yourself.
- Once you deliver the punch line, be quiet and let your audience laugh. Don't distract them.
- If you bomb when telling a joke, make light of it. Tell listeners it was much funnier when you told it to your dog.

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A van carrying a dozen movie stuntmen on the way to a film location in the mountains spun out of control on an icy road, crashed through a guardrail, rolled down a 90-foot embankment, turned over and burst into flames. There were no injuries.

— attributed to Bryan McNutt of the Vilas County News Review



***On staying young***

*The secret of staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly and lie about your age.*

**— Lucille Ball**



# The young man and the frog

Joke retold from Jim Huggins Humor Page



There was once a young man who was crossing the road. As he was making his way over a frog called out to him and said, “If you kiss me, I will turn into a beautiful princess.” The young man picked up the frog and put it in his pocket.

The frog called out from the young man’s pocket, “If you will kiss me and turn me back into a beautiful princess, I will come to your house for one week and cook and clean for you.” The young man took the frog out and smiled at it and then put it back into his pocket.

The frog called out from the young man’s pocket again, “If you kiss me and turn me back into a beautiful princess, I’ll stay with you for as long as you want and do anything you want me to.” Again, the young man removed the frog, smiled at it, and then placed it back into his pocket.

Finally, the frog called out from the pocket, “What is it with you? I told you I’d stay with you, and cook and clean for you and do anything you want me to do. Why won’t you kiss me?”

The young man took the frog from his pocket and said, “Look, I’m a computer programmer. I don’t have time for girlfriends — but a talking frog is really cool.”

# How many does it take to change a light bulb?

Gleaned from the Internet

Q: How many Californians does it take to change a light bulb?  
A: Six. One to turn the bulb, one for support, and four to relate to the experience.

Q: How many psychiatrists does it take to change a light bulb?  
A: Only one, but the bulb has got to really WANT to change.

Q: How many software people does it take to screw in a light bulb?  
A: None. That’s a hardware problem.

Q: How many graduate students does it take to change a light bulb?  
A: Only one, but it may take him more than five years for him to get it done.



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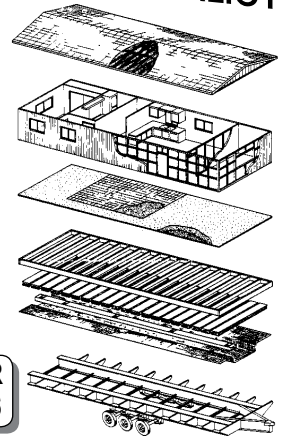
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## Drop the drive for perfection

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Journalist and novelist Anna Quindlen says that when she was younger and in college that she rose every day and tried to be perfect—in every possible way. She studied when she was supposed to, she got her assignments turned in on time and she smiled at everyone as she passed them in the dorm halls.

In a 1999 commencement address given at Barnard, where she had graduated 25 years earlier, she said that being perfect was hard work—and the rules changed. What constituted perfection in 1970 when she started college (sweaters and pleated skirts) morphed into her new version (Doc Martens and turtlenecks) as she found herself striving to be a hyper intellectual.

Eventually, the burden of trying to be perfect year after year became too heavy. Here are her words of wisdom on the art of perfectionism:

“Trying to be perfect may be sort of inevitable for people like us, who are smart and ambitious and interested in the world and in its good opinion. But at one level it’s too hard, and at another, it’s too cheap and easy. Because it really requires you mainly to read the zeitgeist of wherever and whenever you happen to be, and to assume the masks necessary to be the best of whatever zeitgeist dictates or requires. Those requirements shapeshift, sure, but when you’re clever you can read them and do the imitation required.

“But nothing important, or meaningful, or beautiful, or interesting, or great ever came out of imitations. The thing that is really hard, and really amazing, is giving up on being perfect and beginning the work of becoming yourself.”

## Daily meditation can bring insight

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When you’re feeling at loose ends, it could be a good idea to participate in some type of meditation. According to the Web site *Learningtomeditate.com*, you don’t have to think of meditation as an Eastern art, complicated to learn, where an old man under a tree comes up with all the answers to the mysteries of life. It can be a lot more practical than that.

Meditation often is no more than seeking out peacefulness and calmness during the stress and struggle of everyday living. Simple practices can work well. Find a quiet place, focus on your breathing and grow quiet. Eventually you will grow calm, and if you practice on a daily basis and learn how to empty your mind, you may find that you gain insight into matters that seemed to evade your understanding previously.

***On self-development***

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