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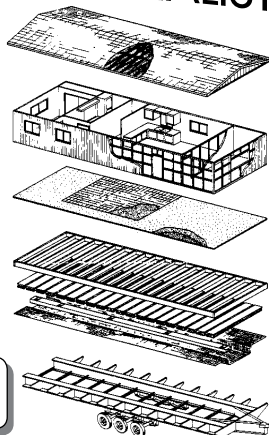


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1	Sue Price	14	Candy Attili	25	Tom Randazzo
2	Joseph Lavigne		Roberta Patterson	26	Robert Benkowski
3	Bill Hughes	16	Lynne Myles		Bonnie Kempke
4	Gary Hollenbeck	17	Lynch Curran		Regina Prater
	Ray Ouellette	18	Bud Dickey		Sheila Whyte
6	Renald Berard		Frank Lenhart	27	Jean Butler
	Joan Brochey		Carol Prahst		Shirley Chouinard
	Albert Malenka	19	Don Gibson	28	Gary Hurley
	Janett Wallace		Rose Paquette	29	Cyril Blake
7	Michael Scott		Sandra Pare		Jean Griffiths
8	Steve Langevin		Donna Talley	30	Harold Cranmer
	Kim Riley		Randy Young		Rod Emberly
9	Lucy Jungkind	20	Lois Wilson		Janice Siddall
	Jerry Paquette	21	Robert Grimes	31	Ginny Byrne
10	Walter Madsen	22	Bill Byrne		Elaine Croteau
	Dale Peever		Beverly Horlbogen		Bob Hampe
	Ken Stout		Sun Somel		Jerry Keller
11	Ray Jewell	23	Bob Knauff		
	William Paulus		Lisa Shea		
13	Sherry Morneau	24	Judy Pepin		
	Mike Warby		Audrey Sprague		



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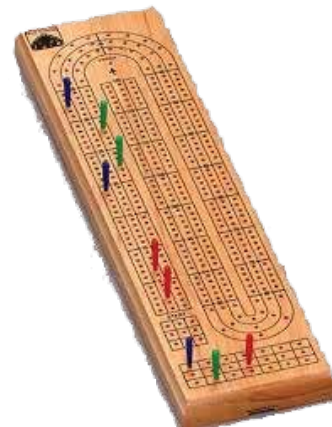
January Anniversaries

6	Gary & Denise Jackson Peter & Judie Howes	2001
8	Richard & Noella Gallant	1966
9	Doug & Linda McLean	
20	Gary & Cindy Hurley	1979
26	Marcel & Lorraine Bedard	1963
	Louie & Flo Renfro	1963
28	Stephen & Lisa Shea	2000



Wednesday Cribbage

Name	Games	Total
10/15/2019		
Mike Cunningham	6	168
Rachel Melanson	5	314
10/23/2019		
Mike Cunningham	6	225
Marie Pelletier	6	214
Chuck Davis	6	202
10/30/2019		
Rachael Melanson	7	109
Glenn Gifford	7	101
Roberta Patterson	5	333
Mona Kirtland	5	342



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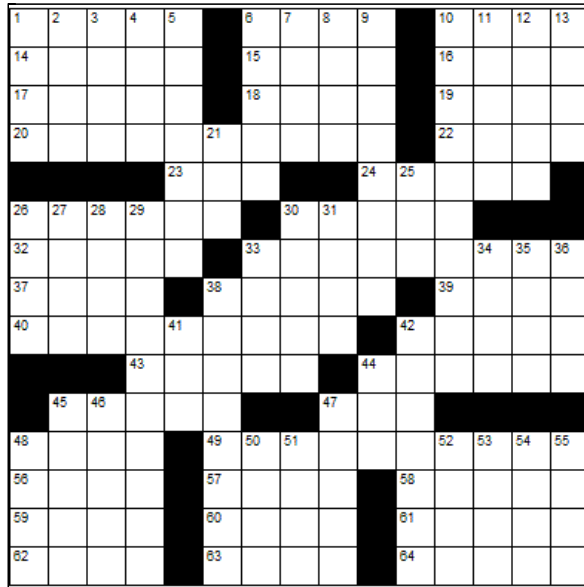


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ACROSS

1. Delicacy
6. Umpires
10. Sailors
14. Russian currency
15. Ear-related
16. Modify
17. Circa
18. Skin disease
19. No
20. Calligraphy
22. Sketched
23. Louse-to-be
24. Not quite a teenager
26. Armed robbery
30. Inspire
32. Wall climbers
33. Hence
37. Scream
38. Districts
39. Curved molding
40. Antimonopoly
42. Reef material
43. Scruffs
44. Diner
45. Arouse
47. 2,000 pounds
48. List of options
49. Unwarranted
56. Kitty (poker)
57. Lady's escort
58. Fine thread
59. Alert
60. Moving within
61. Follow as a result
62. Notch
63. Smell
64. Appears



DOWN

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|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Snare | 21. Bite | 41. Letter after sigma |
| 2. Country bumpkin | 25. Tiny | 42. Wax lights |
| 3. Black, in poetry | 26. Hello | 44. Many millennia |
| 4. Astringent | 27. Baking appliance | 45. Prison-related |
| 5. Lockjaw | 28. A jaunty rhythm | 46. Foreword |
| 6. Cut of beef | 29. A young offender | 47. Coach |
| 7. Carve in stone | 30. An ancient board game | 48. Mouths |
| 8. French for Finished or Done | 31. Warmth | 50. Cleave |
| 9. Ceremonial staffs | 33. Not false | 51. Savvy about points |
| 10. Beginner | 34. Monster | 53. Anagram of "Sees" |
| 11. Revere | 35. Back | 54. Skid row |
| 12. Mature | 36. Evasive | 55. Views |
| 13. Goulash | 38. A type of musical chord | |



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The beginning of an era

At 12:01 a.m. on Jan. 1, 1946, the birth of Kathleen Casey Wilkens, in Pennsylvania, would herald a generation known as the “Baby Boom.” Following the end of World War II, more than 76 million people were born in the U.S. from 1946 to 1964. This surge in population and the demands it created helped to shape the way communities were developed throughout the country. This generation accounts for roughly 20% of the U.S. population and—depending on your age—are our parents, grandparents, siblings, friends, neighbors, co-workers, and maybe you.

Something to consider

When you step out for a bite to eat in January, remember that it is Be Kind to Food Servers Month. Though they may not be the ones in the kitchen creating a culinary masterpiece that will delight your taste buds, they will surely bear the brunt of your ire should your meal fail to measure up. They cater to your moods and demands to make sure that your dining experience is “just so.” Show them the courtesy and appreciation you feel entitled to, and don’t forget to tip your server.



A man revealed

During his lifetime he was arrested roughly 20 times. His work provoked violent reactions, including the bombing of the home he shared with his wife and family, as well as numerous physical assaults. Ultimately, his life would end in tragedy resulting from a sniper’s bullet.

Though parts of his bio may sound like a description of a public enemy, Martin Luther King Jr. was the exact opposite. A tireless crusader against injustice and inequality, King championed nonviolence as a way to combat hatred and oppression. He held a B.A. from Morehouse University, a B.D. from Crozer Theological Seminary, and a doctorate from Boston University. Four years before his death he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his work during the civil rights movement.

Had he survived, Jan. 15 would have been his 91st birthday. Because he is no longer with us, the third Monday of January is held in observance of King’s life and work.

*I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality.
This is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant.*

—Martin Luther King Jr.

Monthly Memos

International **Child-Centered Divorce Month.** Even the most amicable divorces can have a negative effect on a family, especially the children. Help is available. Go to <https://www.divorcedparentsupport.com/> to access information, tools, and services that can help you negotiate this tumultuous time.



National Mentoring Month. You can make a fundamental difference in the life of a young person. Your commitment and guidance can be the driving force to their future success and their willingness to reach back and help someone else. Make the effort and mentor someone. For toolkits and other resources, go to <https://www.mentoring.org/>

National Poverty in America Awareness Month. More than 40 million Americans are living in poverty. They are senior citizens, children, and adults who are ill or earning incomes that fail to provide financial stability. Visit <https://www.povertyusa.org/> to learn how you can help address this issue.

National Volunteer Blood Donor Month. The demand always exceeds the supply for those suffering from accidents and illnesses that require the transfusion of blood components. You can help. Consider making a donation now and throughout the year. Find out more at <https://www.redcross.org/give-blood.html>.

Weekly Winter Wonder

St. Paul Winter Carnival, Jan. 23–Feb. 2. January is the start of winter carnival season. If you're going to Minnesota, consider a trip to St. Paul for its 134th annual winter festival. Go to <https://www.wintercarnival.com/> for details.

Winterlude, Jan. 31–Feb. 17. Head north to Ottawa, Ontario, or the neighboring city of Gatineau in the province of Quebec. Festivities take place over three consecutive weekends that celebrate winter and Canada's diverse heritage. Learn more at <https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/winterlude.html>.

Saranac Lake Winter Carnival, Jan. 31—Feb. 9. Since 1897, this region in upstate New York has hosted recreational and cultural activities in an effort to break winter's chill. Visit <https://www.saranaclakewintercarnival.com/> to plan your Adirondack escape and shed winter's doldrums.





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January Days

New Year's Day, Jan. 1. London marks the start of the year with its largest parade, a handful of nations commemorate their independence on this day, and some people may take a plunge in frigid waters as a symbolic awakening. No matter how you celebrate this day, be safe and of good cheer.

National Joy Germ Day, Jan. 8. It's OK to be contagious when you're spreading joy. Let the good vibes flow.

National Use Your Gift Card Day, Jan. 18. Don't start out the year hoarding and forgetting about the gifts you've been given. Gather your unused gift cards, and do a bit of shopping for yourself and others.

Belly Laugh Day, Jan. 24. At 1:24 pm, wherever you are, stop and laugh out loud and give those around you a reason to do the same. Visit bellylaughday.com to be a part of this worldwide wave of merriment.

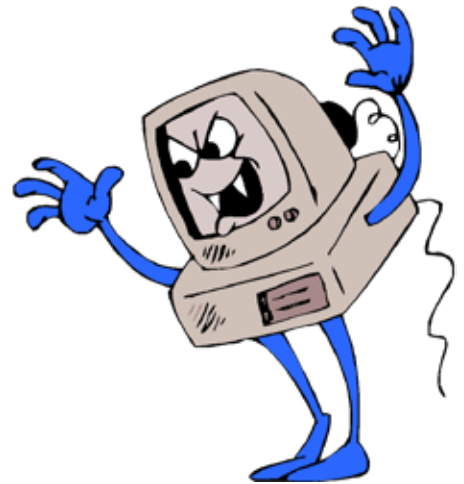
Bubble Wrap Appreciation Day, Jan. 27. It's not just for wrapping up breakables; it also doubles as a stress relieving tool. Who hasn't felt better after pop-pop-popping through a piece of bubble wrap?

*Happy
New Year* ★★

Online privacy threat a crisis, many say

We're more worried than ever about the threat to our privacy online, the Axios website reports. A survey of adults 18 and older found that 59% don't feel confident that their personal information is adequately protected by the companies and organizations they do business with online, and 58% consider the threat to online privacy a crisis. Just 38% believe that online services are essential to modern life, and "we all have to accept some risk to personal data."

Companies' asking for personal information has become increasingly common these days so they can offer more personalized products and services, but 43% of people in the survey said they feel this is inappropriate. Twenty-six percent are fine with it, and the other 26% are neutral.



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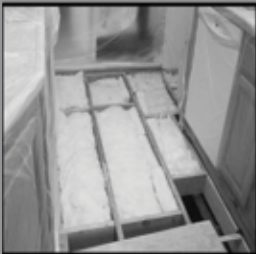


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Simple tips for a healthier heart

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Here's some advice from the WMC Action News website on how to keep your heart healthy:

- Laugh a lot. Laughter dilates your blood vessels, increases blood flow, and lowers your blood pressure.
- Snuggle. Hugging releases oxytocin, a hormone that relieves stress and can reduce blood pressure.
- Get a pet. A University of Maryland study found that survivors of a heart attack who had a dog were eight times more likely to be alive a year after their attack.
- Get the right amount of sleep. Both oversleeping and getting less than six hours of sleep a night raises your heart attack risk. Aim for about eight hours every night.
- Drink coffee. Studies suggest that caffeine can stabilize your heart rhythm if you have an abnormal heart rate. Check with your doctor.
- Move around. Standing and moving around one hour per day can reduce cardiovascular disease risk in women by 25%, according to a University of California, San Diego, study.

Seniors struggle with out-of-pocket medical expenses

Health care is expensive, particularly so for senior citizens who depend on Medicare for their treatments, medications, and other medical needs, but who have to pay out-of-pocket costs as well. The Axios website reports that the average overall yearly out-of-pocket cost for Medicare beneficiaries is \$3,166. Here's how it breaks down by condition:

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Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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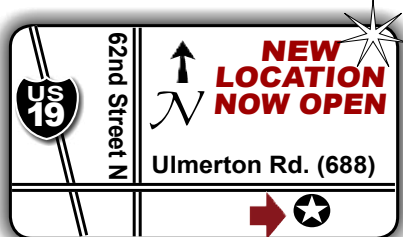


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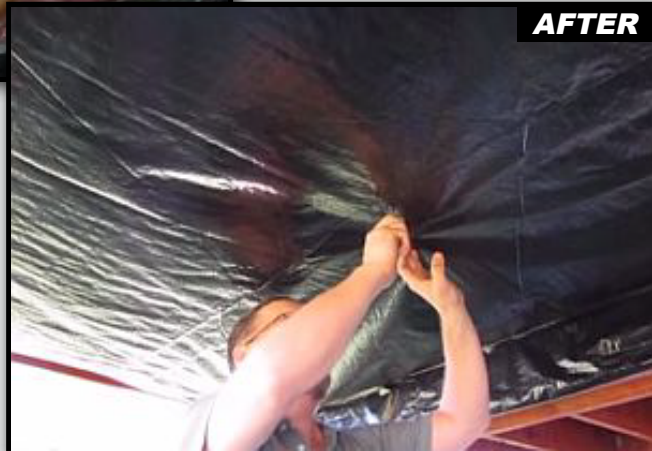
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- 2. Consider your feelings.** Look over both lists. Take note of your initial reaction to each one. Are you drawn to one more than the other? Does either list inspire positive or negative feelings? These feelings may be an indication of the outcome you're leaning toward.
- 3. Delete any false statements.** Are there certain items on your list that are pure fiction? Statements influenced by fear that might exaggerate a more negative outcome? Cross statements like that off your list. Don't let fear rule your process.
- 4. Make connections with your core values.** Think about the things that matter most to you—family, integrity, respect, etc. Place a check mark next to the items on your lists that correspond to these values.
- 5. Highlight areas of concern.** Sometimes what prevents you from making decisions are certain risks (e.g., financial, etc.) associated with that choice, especially if things don't work out. Highlight any of the statements on your lists associated with these risks.
- 6. Tally your results.** Count only those items you checked off, and compare their number to any items that were highlighted. Hopefully, the number of results on one list are longer than the other, suggesting a clear indication of the choice you should make. In the event of a tie, give more weight to the list that feels most authentic to your values.

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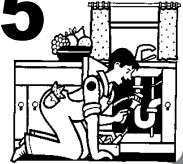
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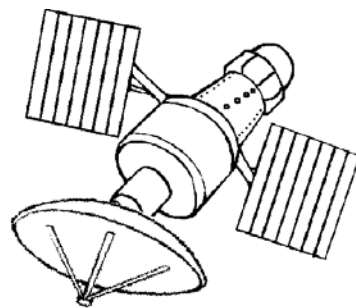
Trust in media ebbs

American's trust in the news media is on the decline, according to a Gallup poll. Just 41% say they have "a great deal" or "a fair amount" of trust in newspapers, television, and radio to report the news "fully, accurately and fairly." That's down by 4% from last year.

Unsurprisingly, there's a partisan divide in America's view of the news media. Sixty-nine percent of Democrats say they have trust and confidence in the news, but only 15% of Republicans agree, along with 36% of independents.

Americans still back space travel

Is space exploration still important? A majority of Americans think so, according to the Pew Research Center. In a survey, 72% said it's essential for the United States to remain a leader in space exploration, with 27% disagreeing. Eighty percent believe the International Space Station has been a good investment for the country, and 65% say that NASA's role is essential in exploring the skies; 33% believe that private companies can do the job even without NASA's involvement.



An expedition to Mars is less important to Americans than other missions. Only 18% see a voyage to the red planet as a top priority. They're more focused on monitoring Earth's climate (63%), watching for asteroids that might hit Earth (62%), and conducting basic scientific research to further our knowledge of space (47%).

A better way to say, 'Thank you for your service'

Ninety percent of Americans say they've thanked a veteran for his or her service, but a recent survey suggests that the best way to thank veterans may not be to say, "Thank you for your service."

The survey was commissioned by the Cohen Veterans Network (CVN), a national non-profit network of mental health clinics for post-9/11 veterans and military families. The survey found that 49% of active and former military service members grow uneasy when told, "Thank you for your service."

What to do instead? The survey found that veterans and current service members prefer questions about when they served, where they were stationed, and what kinds of jobs they did.

Don't make these investment mistakes

A good financial advisor is crucial to saving your money and investing it wisely. If you try to do everything yourself, you could wind up making these expensive mistakes, as noted by the Business Insider website:

- Relying on information that's out of date. Be wary if a friend touts a press release from 2018, something he or she heard on the radio last month, or a website post that's years old. Markets change quickly, so you don't want to invest using last year's strategy.
- Not checking your data. Even if the information seems current, don't trust everything you read. Check multiple sources of information to confirm that what you're seeing is accurate before making any financial decisions.
- Trusting blindly. Your brother-in-law and your best friend might be great people, but that doesn't mean they really understand the stock market. Take "hot tips" with a grain of salt, and consult with an expert instead of relying on pals.
- Chasing trends. Too many companies start out with a splash and then quickly tank. Think about the long term, not an immediate payoff. "Boring" companies might not make you rich today, but they're more likely to stick around and provide reliable returns that can add up.
- Acting impulsively. You get a tip on a stock or see coverage of an exciting new company on TV. Don't immediately tell your broker to start buying up stock. Take a deep breath, do your homework, and then make a reasoned decision.



Don't be rude about money

Money is a delicate subject. Too many people forget that, though, and ask impertinent questions or make rude mistakes with their friends. The Reader's Digest website points to these habits that can alienate others and make you look like a jerk:

- Making assumptions. Someone who sports an expensive wristwatch might not be rich; people who shop in secondhand stores aren't necessarily poor. Don't jump to conclusions about anyone's financial situation based on superficial appearances.
- Automatically splitting the bill. Four friends go to a restaurant. One orders multiple drinks and the most expensive meal on the menu, then suggests splitting the bill four equal ways. Don't be that person. Be sensitive to other people's preferences and financial situations, and be willing to pay your fair share.
- Asking for "friend discounts." If you hire a friend to do a professional service for you, don't ask for a break on the fee. This is how your friend makes a living. Be willing to pay full price or hire someone else to help you out.

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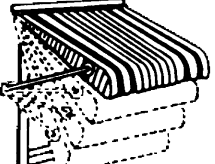
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An ancient humans dug pits to trap and kill giant mammoths some 15,000 years ago, according to an article on the Weather Channel website. Archeologists in Mexico have unearthed two large pits and discovered hundreds of bones from the giant beasts at the bottom.

The pits were discovered during a dig at Tultepec, a town north of Mexico City. They're five to six feet deep and 80 feet long, and archeologists have excavated more than 800 bones from 14 individual mammoths. The haul includes eight skulls, five jaws, and hundreds of other assorted remains.

Previously scientists believed that ancient humans chased mammoths off cliffs, or led them into swamps to get stuck and die. The find is the first evidence that humans that long ago directly hunted and attacked mammoths for food, fur, and other uses.



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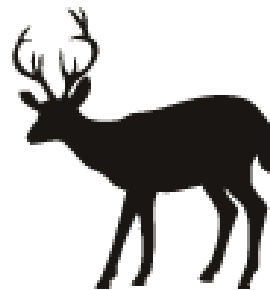
Long-missing tiny deer found again in Vietnam

A small species of deer that was suspected to be extinct has been found again. The animal, a chevrotain, also known as the Vietnam mouse-deer, is the size of large house cat, with a silver stripe down its back. It lives in Vietnam, where it was first described in the early 20th century, but it hadn't been seen since 1990.

Researchers traveled through Vietnam talking to villagers and forest rangers, some of whom described an animal that resembled the chevrotain. They mounted motion-activated cameras on trees where the creatures had been sighted.

After five months they began searching through the photos—and found 270 images of chevrotains. After a second five-month surveillance, they gathered 1,881 more images.

It's unclear how many creatures they captured on camera or whether the species is endangered. The researchers hope to gather more images and data to determine whether the population is stable.



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