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Oranges were originally green. The first oranges imported to the West were green tangerine-pomelo hybrids from Southeast Asia.

Competitive art was once an Olympic sport. From 1912 to 1948, medals were awarded for painting, sculpture, architecture, literature, and music.



Shrimp hearts are located in their heads. Their internal anatomy is surprisingly compact and efficient.

There's a country with more pyramids than Egypt. Sudan has over 200 pyramids, more than any other nation.

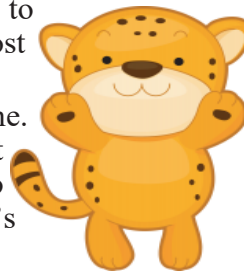
Goldfish can lose their color in the dark. If kept in a dark room, a goldfish will eventually turn white.

A Microraptor is the smallest dinosaur ever discovered. It was only 16 inches long and had feathers.

The letter "Q" doesn't appear in any U.S. state name. It's the only letter of the alphabet with that distinction.

Every day, 12 newborns are given to the wrong parents. Thankfully, most mix-ups are quickly corrected.

Cheetahs love Calvin Klein cologne. Wildlife researchers discovered that cheetahs are unusually attracted to the scent of Calvin Klein's "Obsession for Men".



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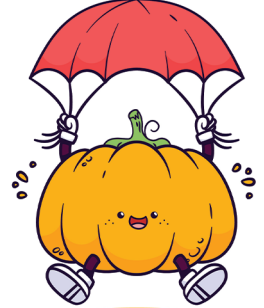
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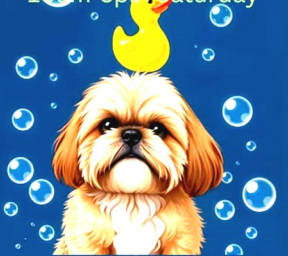
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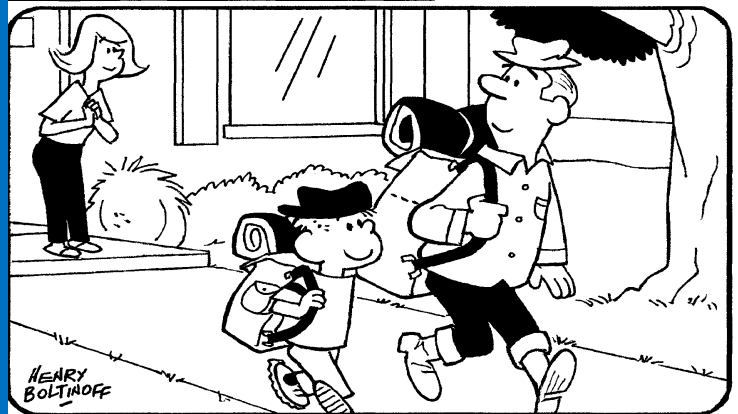
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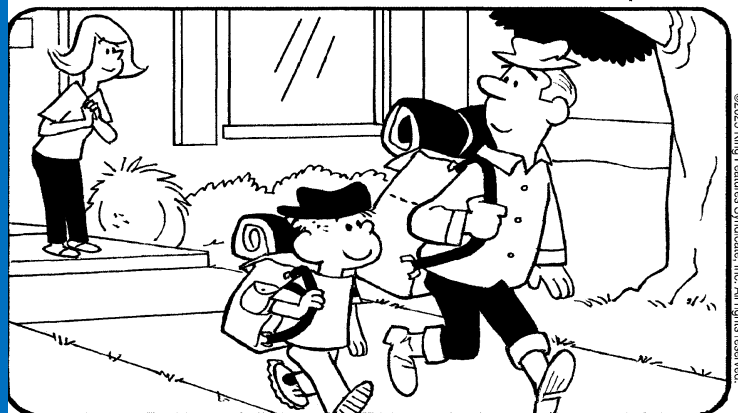


### HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Leg is moved. 2. Foot is moved. 3. Shirt is longer. 4. Shirt pocket is missing. 5. Boy's left arm is showing. 6. Line is added to walkway.

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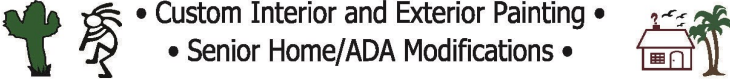
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- 2. ACRONYM:** What phrase does the acronym URL stand for?
- 3. GEOGRAPHY:** Where are the Dodecanese Islands?
- 4. MUSIC:** Which country music star threw the javelin in college?
- 5. TELEVISION:** Which character on the series "Bridgerton" admits to being Lady Whistledown, the pseudonym of a gossip writer?
- 6. MATH:** How many degrees are in a circle?
- 7. MOVIES:** What was the name of actor Henry Fonda's last movie?
- 8. ANATOMY:** In human beings, what is the condition called polythelia?
- 9. FOOD & DRINK:** Which celebrity chef had a specialty food store called "The Barefoot Contessa"?
- 10. CHEMISTRY:** What metallic element has the highest melting point?

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5. Penelope Featherington.
  6. 360.
  7. "On Golden Pond."
  8. Having an extra nipple.
  9. Ina Garten.
  10. Tungsten (W).

- Answers
1. 2006.
  2. Uniform Resource Locator.
  3. Aegean Sea.
  4. Garth Brooks.



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\* On Nov. 18, 1996, exotic bird expert and protector Tony Silva was sentenced to seven years in prison for heading an illegal parrot-smuggling operation -- one of many people to be arrested during Operation Renegade, a three-year international investigation into bird smuggling by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Division of Law Enforcement.



\* On Nov. 17, 1991, Fox aired the first condom ad on network TV during the teen sitcom "Herman's Head," inspired by increasing anxiety about the spread of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases.



\* On Nov. 19, 1969, Brazilian soccer star Pelé, considered one of the greatest players in his sport, scored his 1,000th professional goal in a game, against Vasco da Gama in Rio de Janeiro's Maracana stadium.



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\* On Nov. 20, 1866, Pierre Lallement received a U.S. patent for the country's first pedal bicycle. Unfortunately, he wasn't able to capitalize on his invention. Failing to acquire enough funds to open a factory, he sold the rights to the patent in 1868 and died

in obscurity in 1881.

\* On Nov. 21, 1934, a teenage and terrified Ella Fitzgerald stepped on the stage at Harlem's Apollo Theater to participate in Amateur Night after her name was drawn from a hat. At the time an aspiring dancer, she spontaneously decided to sing instead, not only winning the competition after a rough start, but unknowingly setting her feet on the path to becoming a music legend.

\* On Nov. 22, 1986, 20-year-old Mike Tyson knocked out 33-year-old Trevor Berbick in only five minutes and 35 seconds to become the youngest titleholder ever. He had won all 27 of the matches he'd previously fought, knocking out 26 of his opponents.

\* On Nov. 23, 2002, John Herrington became the first Native American in space when he set out on a mission to the International Space Station. In honor of his heritage, he brought along several eagle feathers, a traditional wooden flute, a few arrowheads and the flag of the Chickasaw Nation.



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November & December

EVERY SUNDAY	<b>Sunday Market - Every Sunday</b> Local Crafters & Vendors 11am-3pm Treasure Box II 300 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ	
FRIDAY 11/7	<b>First Friday</b> Local Food Trucks, Crafters & Vendors 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM Superstition Museum 4087 E Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ	<b>Saturday 11/15</b> <b>Sidewalk Sale &amp; Salsa Contest</b> Music, Vendors & More. Come on out and vote for your favorite salsa or enter your own! 9:00am-3:00pm Treasure Box II 300 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ
SAT & SUN 11/29-11/30	<b>Arts &amp; Crafts Holiday Boutique</b> Local Artisans, Food & More! Come get your Holiday Shopping done. 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Superstition Museum 4087 E Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ	<b>Friday 12/5</b> <b>First Friday</b> Local Food Trucks, Crafters & Vendors 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM Superstition Museum 4087 E Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ
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## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 And others (Lat.)
- 5 USN bigwig
- 8 Many corp. recruits
- 12 Tora —, Afghanistan
- 13 "Unstoppable" singer
- 14 Killer whale
- 15 Pants
- 17 Little dent
- 18 Seize greedily
- 19 School papers
- 21 Shoe width
- 22 Belgrade resident
- 23 Corn core
- 26 Calendar box
- 28 Ginger cookies

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- 54 Suit to —
- 55 Non-Rx
- 56 Feedbag fill
- 57 Overlook
- 58 Director Craven
- 59 Gosling or Reynolds

- 7 Clipper ship poles
- 8 Vaccine maker
- 9 Queensland's capital
- 10 Skin breakout
- 11 Droops
- 16 Sent a dupe to

- 30 NBC week-end show
- 32 Lowers
- 34 "I, Tonya" and "Gandhi," for example
- 37 Cover
- 39 Web addresses
- 42 Former quarterback Tim
- 44 Ulan —
- 45 Brew topper
- 46 Play opener
- 48 Do in
- 49 Self-referential
- 50 Org.
- 53 Numbered rd.

### DOWN

- 1 Recedes
- 2 Undecided
- 3 "Carmen" solo
- 4 Coffee bar offering
- 5 Worthless pile
- 6 Conk out





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♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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**AI also helps us relax and enjoy life.** Streaming platforms like Netflix, Spotify, and YouTube use algorithms that analyze what we watch or listen

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AI is changing the way we live each day. **By embracing it, we gain more than convenience; we gain time, insight, and freedom.** When used wisely, AI doesn't distance us from the human experience — it enhances it. It helps us live smarter, work easier, and spend more moments doing what we truly love.

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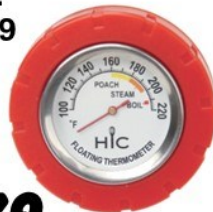


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 (Friday) - "Steak & Fish Night" 5-7:00pm / (50/50 Drawing 7pm)  
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 (Friday 11/21 Shift Work) - (Friday 11/28 Reign-N-Country)

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 (Wed. 11/12 AJ Lions Club Meeting after Bingo)  
 (Sat. 11/15 Farm to Table Food Distribution 8-11am)  
 (Sat. 11/15 Guitars for Vets Graduation Show 2-4pm)  
 (Sat. 11/22 Trustee/Treasurer Mtg. 10am) (Mon. 11/24 USMC League Mtg. 6pm)  
 (Tue. 11/25 Planning Meeting 5:30pm) (Thur. 11/27 Thanksgiving Dinner 1pm)  
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**Autumn** -- time to drag out your winter clothes and see what kind of summer fun the moths had.

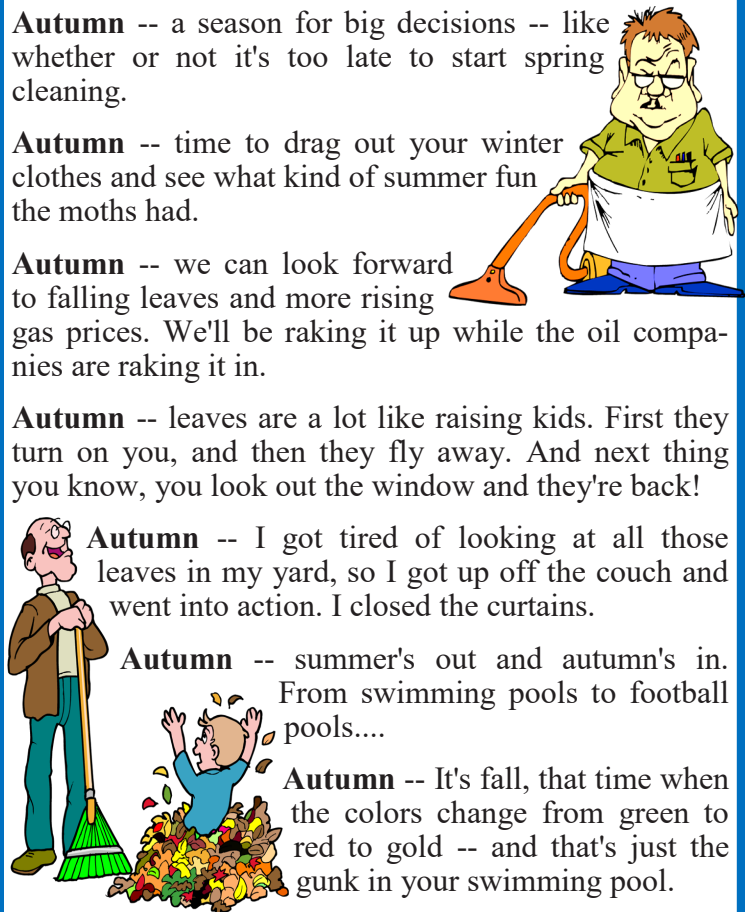
**Autumn** -- we can look forward to falling leaves and more rising gas prices. We'll be raking it up while the oil companies are raking it in.

**Autumn** -- leaves are a lot like raising kids. First they turn on you, and then they fly away. And next thing you know, you look out the window and they're back!

**Autumn** -- I got tired of looking at all those leaves in my yard, so I got up off the couch and went into action. I closed the curtains.

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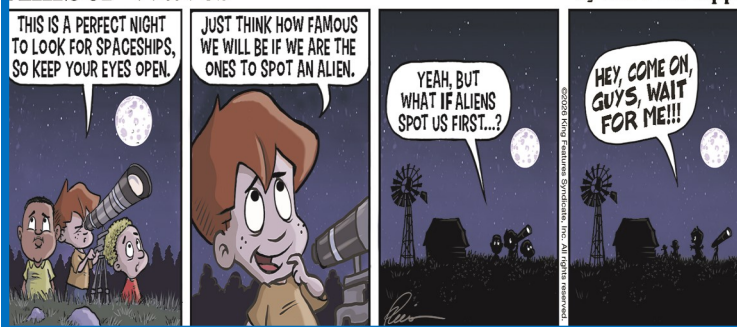
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Clue: **P** equals **C**

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**THANKSGIVING ART** - Thanksgiving is a holiday steeped in Americana, and what captures that better than the classic cover illustrations of The Saturday Evening Post? Illustrator J.C. Leyendecker, who was born in Germany, studied art in Paris and opened an art studio with his brother in Chicago, created some of the magazine's most famous holiday covers, including the annual New Year Baby. A study for "Peeling Apples," his Thanksgiving-themed illustration for the cover of the Nov. 28, 1925, issue, sold for \$13,200 at an auction by Bruneau & Co. Leyendecker's original art is quite valuable; in 2021, his painting for "Beat-up Boy, Football Hero," which graced the Nov. 21, 1914, The Saturday Evening Post cover, sold for a record \$4.1 million. The "Peeling Apples" study is clearly unfinished, with visible grid lines and parts left without paint, but it still has appeal. The unfinished spots provide a glimpse of the work that goes into the illustration. Like a Thanksgiving meal, it looks like a labor of love.

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Artist J.C. Leyendecker's illustrations often capture the simple things we're thankful for -- like a home-cooked meal and family to enjoy it with.  
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## TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Philemon (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who is credited as being "The Mother of All the Living"? Ruth, Sarah, Eve, Esther
3. From Numbers 22, to whom did the donkey speak? Silas, Daniel, Jeremiah, Balaam
4. As stated in Genesis 20:2, who was king of Gerar? Abimelech, Nathan, Nehemiah, Joash
5. Where was Paul the Apostle born? Thessalonica, Tarsus, Ur, Antioch
6. From Acts 18, who was Aquila's wife? Priscilla, Jezebel, Leah, Rebekah

### ANSWERS:

- 1) New
- 2) Eve
- 3) Balaam
- 4) Abimelech
- 5) Tarsus
- 6) Priscilla

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 Mon. 11/10 Post & Aux Meetings 7pm. (USMC Birthday)  
 Tue. 11/11 Veterans Day Parade 9am. Main Street  
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 Fri. 11/21 Feather Party 5pm.  
 Thur. 11/27 Thanksgiving Day, Dinner 1pm.

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 Mexican Mondays 11:am - 1:30pm / Darts 1pm.  
 (Tues) - Post Bingo 2pm / (Fri) - Post or Aux Bingo 2pm  
 (Tues) - (Friday) Lunch Specials 11am-1:30pm  
 (Tues. Broasted Chicken / Hamburgers 5-7pm)  
 (Thurs) Darts 1pm / Wings & Things 5-7pm  
 Fri. - Cod Dinner / Shrimp Basket 5-7:00pm Band @ 5-9pm  
 Sat. - Ribeye Steak / Chicken Tenders 5-7pm  
 Sat. - Queen of Hearts 5-7:30pm / Entertainment 5-9pm

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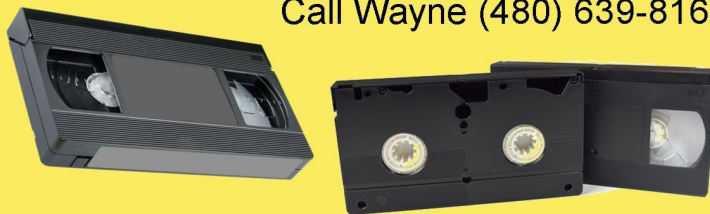
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11/18 Karaoke w/Todd	11/20 Karaoke w/Todd	11/21 Rusty Wagon	11/15 Gordie & Debbie
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by Freddy Groves

## THE SHUTDOWN

At this writing, several weeks into the government shutdown, the VA has not been immune to the effects of it. We don't know how long it will go on, but the VA is doing all it can for veterans. While you won't be able to access all of their services as long as the shutdown continues, you're not being left in the lurch.

You'll still get your education, housing and pension benefits. The medical clinics, hospitals and Vet Centers remain open. Burials continue, as do the processing of applications for burial benefits, markers and headstones. (Call them at 800-535-1117 for scheduling.) Appeals continue on your case. The main phone number is still manned (800-827-1000), and so is the crisis line (988, Press 1). Support for caregivers, suicide prevention and homeless services continues. Which is great. But that's only part of the situation. There are many things you can't do or get right now, or that aren't being handled.

Regional benefits offices are closed. There is no placement of permanent headstones at the cemeteries, nor grounds maintenance. Pre-need burial applications aren't being processed. There is no career counseling right now. Call centers for the GI Bill are closed. The VA Central Office isn't reaching out to state, county, tribal, municipal, faith-based and community-based partners.

By the time you read this, the shutdown might well be over. We can only hope. But even if it is, from the moment things open up, it will likely take time for all the parts and pieces to gear up again.

Meanwhile, if you're a member of a veterans service group such as the American Legion or Veterans of Foreign Wars, you can help. Check in and see what they're doing. Perhaps there's a way for you to pitch in locally. Keep in mind that the holidays are nearly upon us. There are veterans with families to support and veterans in hospitals that might not get a visitor.

*Hang in there, and step up where you can.*

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