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## Moments in time THE HISTORY CHANNEL

\* On May 13, 1958, Vice President Richard Nixon's car was attacked and nearly overturned by an angry crowd shouting anti-American slogans as Nixon traveled through Caracas, Venezuela, during a goodwill trip through Latin America. None of the car's passengers



were injured and the driver was able to speed away to safety.

\* On May 14, 1904, the first Olympic Games to be held in the United States opened in St. Louis, Missouri. The Games had initially been awarded to Chicago, but were later given to St. Louis to be staged in connection with the St. Louis World Exposition. Unfortunately, the Games were poorly organized and overshadowed by the fair.

\* On May 15, 2009, General Electric, one of America's most



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\* On May 16, 1975, Norma Armistead checked into a Los Angeles hospital with a newborn infant she claimed to have given birth to at home. But when it became clear she hadn't, and another woman turned up dead nearby with

the baby she was carrying cut from her body, Armistead was arrested for murder and sentenced to life in prison.

\* On May 18, 1593, an arrest warrant was issued for Christopher Marlowe after fellow playwright Thomas Kyd claimed that

"heretical" documents found in his room were actually written by Marlowe. Arrested two days later, Marlowe bailed out but died in a bar brawl on May 30.

\* On May 17, 1885, Apache leader and medicine man Geronimo escaped from an Arizona reservation. After a year and a half of running, he and his 38 remaining followers surrendered the following September. Geronimo was relocated

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to Florida before finally being freed two years later. \* On May 19, 1943, British Prime Minis-

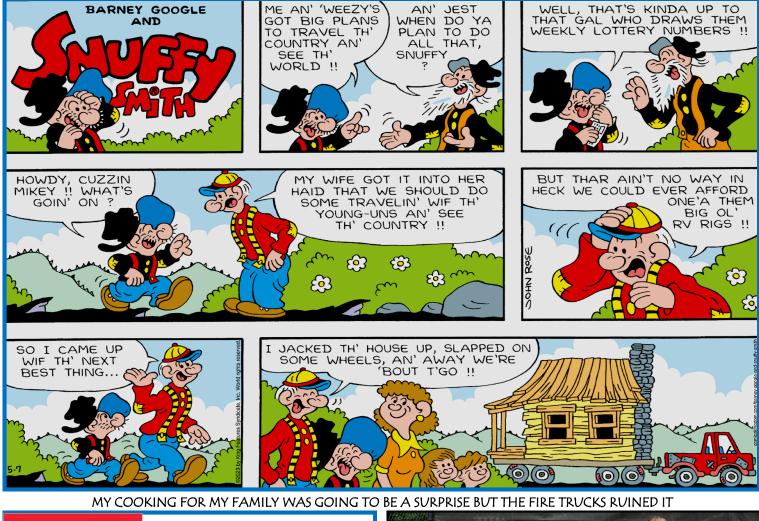
\* On May 19, 1943, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Franklin Roosevelt set a date of May 1, 1944, for the cross-Channel landing that would become D-Day. Due to bad weather, it was rescheduled for June 6 instead.

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- Mauritius is a small island in the Indian Ocean, east of Madagascar
- The island of Mauritius is renowned for having been the only known home of the dodo. The bird became extinct around 1700...about 80 years after Europeans arrived.
- Mauritius has had one of the world's faster-growing economies. In part because of its success in attracting foreign investors.
- Sugarcane is the chief crop, and it is grown on 90% of the country's arable land
- Mauritius is surrounded by coral reef
- The island has a tropical, rainy climate and mountains that reach to the dizzy heights of 3,000 feet in elevation
- Mauritius is a fascinating, island slice of paradise with cobaltblue seas, white sandy beaches and luxury hotels
- Mark Twain wrote, "Heaven was copied after Mauritius."
- Mauritian Creole is the primary language of 86.5 percent of residents

FR Left's "Smash and Tuesday, May 14 Raise" for Charity! 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM **Bring your** A-Game and Win! **Courage Under Cancer Fundraising Tournament** Your Donation/Entry Fee is: **At Gilbert Regional Park Per 2-Person** 3005 E Queen Creek Rd. team Gilbert, AZ 85298 **Register at:** www.courageundercancer.org/pickle-ball-Courage Under Cancer Foundation tournament-registration/





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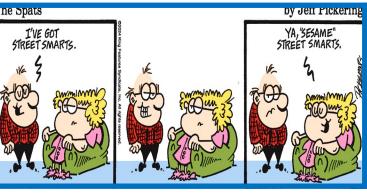
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I TRIED WATER POLO BUT MY HORSE DROWNED

Mr. President., Maybe

You should make an

executive order to

allow every one

over seven years

to have a right to vote!





Memorial Day, Monday 05/27 (Roadhouse Wranglers) & (The Dakotas)

Differences: I. Can is larger. 2. Brush has no paint on it. 3. Kail is





#### Apple Cider Vinegar Is a Surprising Help for Blood in Urine

*DEAR DR. ROACH:* Recently, I had anal cancer and was treated with chemo and radiation. The radiation burned my insides and severely damaged most of my internal organs. One of the aftereffects was occasional blood and small clots in my urine. A few months ago, both the frequency and amount of blood, especially the clots, increased dramatically. The size and number of the clots got so large that they blocked my urethra. During a visit to my urologist, he looked into my bladder and declared it "angry." Then he told me the same thing every doctor has told me about every problem caused by my treatment: "It was caused by the radiation, and there is nothing that can be done." Shortly after this, I began to take unfiltered apple cider vinegar in hopes that it would improve my digestive problems. It helped a little, but the big difference was that I have not had a single recurrence of either blood or clots in my urine. Can you tell me if this is due to the vinegar or if it is just a

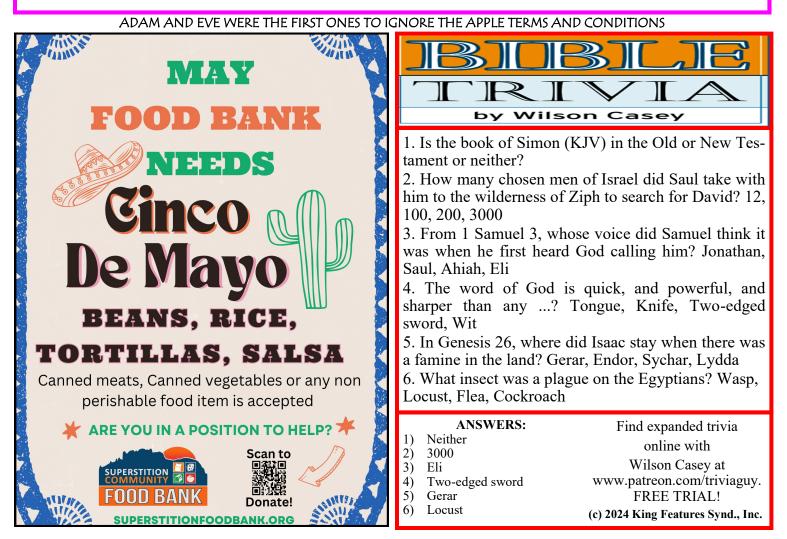
coincidence? -- A.G.

ANSWER: No, I can't definitively tell you whether the vinegar helped. It was probably by chance, but let me explain a little about it. Rectal cancer is often treated with radiation, or combined chemotherapy and radiation, either prior to or after surgery. The dose of radiation is quite high compared to some other cancers, and the complications can be significant. In addition to damage to the bowel and bladder, radiation treatment can damage the bones and bone marrow, leading to poor blood-cell production, infertility, premature menopause, and more cancer years later. On the other hand, radiation is used when it is expected to improve the cure rate of cancer. Still, the side effects can be challenging. Hemorrhagic cystitis (bleeding from the bladder) can be caused by chemotherapy or radiation. It may start within a few months or as long as 20 years after radiation. I am surprised your urologist did not offer any treatments, as there are certainly ones available. Although none of the currently available systemic drugs are proven to be very effective, hyperbaric oxygen is one treatment that is, at least, moderately effective. Medicines placed into the bladder and laser bladder treatments are sometimes tried as well. I was unable to find any study that evaluated the effectiveness of apple cider vinegar. I am skeptical, but reports like yours of apparent improvement associated with its use might convince a researcher to conduct a study to determine whether it really is effective.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I am presently taking 300 mg of gabapentin once daily for neuropathy, which had become increasingly severe with burning, itching, and pins and needles. It is helping, but not 100%. I still need ice packs at night for relief sometimes. Do you have any suggestions for alternative treatment? -- B.R.

ANSWER: Gabapentin is an effective drug for painful neuropathy, whether the cause is known or not. However, its side effect of sedation limits its use, and the medicine needs to be advanced slowly to be tolerated. In my experience, 300 mg once daily is not adequate for most people, but 300 mg three times daily is effective for many. The recommended dose in one type of severe neuropathy, postherpetic neural-gia, is 1,200 mg three times daily. It may take months to be able to get to this dose. I have also had some success with anti-inflammatory medicines as an adjunctive treatment.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu. (c) 2024 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved



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ear loaves.



# Hair I am

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### by Freddy Groves

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If you have a VA home loan, and if you're active duty, a veteran or a surviving spouse, you could be eligible for help through VASP if you're in serious financial trouble. VASP will come in and buy out your loan, modify it and then handle it as a direct VA loan. One of the best parts is that you'll get a fixed 2.5% interest rate. (As of this writing, a standard 30fixed mortgage rate is 7.9%.)

VASP is not something you apply for. Instead, the mortgage companies will put in requests to the VA to help veterans they've identified as having problems with their loans. You'll have to do your part by being in touch with your lender. If VASP is the best option, they will be responsible for submitting your name to the VA. If you have a problem with your lender, call the VA at 877-827-3702 and press 4.

For the specifics of VASP, go to benefits.va.gov/WARMS/ M26 4.asp and select Chapter 9, VA Purchase.

For general information about VA home loans, if you've never had a VA home loan, download the buyer handbook at www.benefits.va.gov/homeloans/index.asp. Start with the Eligibility section.

If you're just starting the process of buying a home, you'll need your Certificate of Eligibility (COE), which will tell a lender that you have that benefit either for the first time or again after you've paid off a previous VA home loan.

Then send for your credit reports either at AnnualCredit-Report.com or by calling 877-322-8228. If there are any errors in your credit history, the time to get them resolved is at the beginning of your home buying experience, not after you've already picked out a home and have mentally moved in. Get your ducks in a row first.

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