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DOGWOOD STUDENTS EARN TOP HONORS AT DELTA FAIR STUDENT ART CONTEST

By Germantown Municipal
School District

Dogwood Elementary students recently brought home top honors from the Delta Fair Student Art Contest, with eight students earning awards for their outstanding artwork. Art teacher Ashley Luyendyk submitted twelve student pieces to the annual competition, and eight of the entries were recognized with prizes totaling \$270.

The winning artwork represented a variety of grade levels and showcased the creativity, imagination, and artistic skills of Dogwood students. Because the artwork was created during the previous school year, students are listed by the grade level they were in when they completed their pieces.

Among the youngest winners was kindergarten student Rosalie Goodin, who earned 5th place. First graders also had a strong showing, with Edie Ellis earning 4th place and Piper Pledge taking 1st place.

Second-grade artists Husni Dweik and Oakleigh Darnell were recognized with 10th place and 4th place, respectively. Fourth-grade students Jacob Voyles and Avery Bennett also earned honors, placing 9th and 2nd, respectively. Rounding out Dogwood's winners was fifth grader Emma Hong, who earned 4th place.

With eight of twelve entries receiving recognition, Dogwood students demonstrated the talent and creativity that can flourish when young artists are encouraged to explore their ideas and express themselves through art.

Congratulations to all eight Dogwood artists on their

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YOUNGEST WINNER - Rosalie Goodin, 5th place winner.

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WINNER - Piper Pledge, first place winner.

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GERMANTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT TO UPGRADE THERMAL IMAGING EQUIPMENT

*Board approves \$25,620 purchase
to replace aging gear and improve
visibility during structural emergencies*

Staff Reports

GERMANTOWN — The Germantown Fire Department is upgrading its emergency response arsenal with three new thermal imaging cameras designed to help firefighters navigate zero-visibility conditions and locate trapped victims more quickly.

The city's Board of Mayor and Aldermen approved the \$25,627.10 purchase during its Sept. 14 meeting. As part of the agreement, the department will trade in three aging cameras for a \$2,250 credit, reducing the overall cost of the acquisition.

The updated devices detect heat signatures and translate them into visual images, allowing crews to see through dense smoke and complete darkness.

According to department officials, the new cameras provide firefighters with a critical set of "eyes" in high-risk environments, assisting crews with several vital



tasks:

- Locating individuals trapped inside burning structures
- Detecting flames spreading behind walls and ceilings
- Identifying the source or origin of a fire more rapidly
- Spotting structural hazards concealed by heavy smoke
- Maintaining situational awareness and crew accountability inside hazardous areas

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UNDER THE HARVEST MOON FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT FARM PARK CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA

Staff Reports

GERMANTOWN — The Bobby Lanier Farm Park Board will host its annual Under the Harvest Moon fundraiser Oct. 16 to raise funds for a new children's play area on the farm grounds.

The event takes place from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Farm Park, located at 2660 Cross Country Drive. The 10-acre working suburban farm is dedicated to agricultural education, sustainability

and community engagement.

"Under the Harvest Moon is everything we love about the Farm Park: friends, laughter, a little country fun and a community coming together for something special," Vice Mayor Mary Anne Gibson said. "Every ticket helps us build a new children's play area where the next generation can explore, imagine and make memories."

Attendees will experience authentic Western-style entertain-



ment, including line dance lessons, a bourbon pull, s'mores,

drinks and chuck wagon cuisine prepared by World Champion Chuck Wagon Cook Steve Gibson.

The evening will also feature Chicken Bingo, a game of chance where participants purchase numbered squares on a grid and await a live chicken to select the winning spot.

Organizers noted that while there is no formal dress code,

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GMSD Athletics enters championship stretch as fall season winds down

Courtesy Germantown Municipal School District

As September draws to a close, Germantown Municipal School District athletics is entering one of the most competitive stretches of the fall season.

Homecoming brought the GMSD community together at Landers Stadium, Houston High School teams continued positioning themselves for postseason opportunities, and Houston Middle School programs moved into championship-season competition.

Across the district, student-athletes continue to compete with purpose while representing their schools and community.

Mustangs roll past Cordova in Homecoming game

Houston High School football delivered a memorable Homecoming performance Friday night, shutting out Cordova 46-0 at Landers Stadium.

The victory was Houston's second straight and improved the Mustangs to 3-3 overall and 2-0 in Region 7-6A play. Houston defeated Bartlett 38-35 the previous week and has scored 84 points over its last two games.

The Mustangs opened region play with two victories as they enter the final stretch of the regular season.

Friday's game also highlighted the community spirit surrounding Homecoming, as students, alumni, families, staff and community

members filled the campus throughout the week.

Houston girls soccer remains unbeaten

Houston High's girls soccer team continued its strong season with a pair of victories.

The Lady Mustangs defeated Munford 9-0 on Senior Night before traveling to Bartlett and earning a 4-0 victory.

Houston improved to 13-0 and has recorded nine consecutive shutouts. Max-Preps lists Houston among Tennessee's top girls soccer programs.

With postseason play approaching, the Lady Mustangs will look to maintain their form through the remainder of the regular season.

Volleyball prepares for postseason

Houston volleyball continues to navigate a challenging schedule designed to prepare the Lady Mustangs for postseason competition.

Houston defeated Munford 3-0 this past week as the team continued its fall campaign.

The schedule has featured competition from across Tennessee and the Southeast, giving Houston experience against a variety of opponents as the regular season moves toward October.

With the postseason approaching, each match provides another opportunity to sharpen execution and prepare for tournament play.

Cross country competes in Missouri

Houston cross country traveled to Columbia, Missouri, this weekend to compete in the Gans Creek Classic.

The meet gave Houston runners an opportunity to compete against strong fields outside West Tennessee while preparing for the championship portion of the season.

Competition in unfamiliar environments and against high-level fields provides experience that can help athletes prepare for the intensity of postseason meets.

Middle school programs enter championship season

Fall postseason competition is underway at Houston Middle School, with several Mustang programs entering an important stretch of their seasons.

Houston Middle girls soccer earned the No. 1 seed for district tournament competition following an outstanding regular season. The Lady Mustangs continue postseason play Monday, Sept. 28, against Lakeland at 4:30 p.m. at Houston Middle.

Houston Middle football returns home Thursday for 8th Grade Night against Arlington. Games are scheduled for 6 and 7:30 p.m. at the Houston High School football field, where the program will recognize its eighth-grade student-athletes and their contributions.

Houston Middle cross country closes the week Fri-



day at the Frank Horton Invitational at Shelby Farms.

The fall championship season represents the culmination of work that began in August. Middle school programs also serve as an important part of the athletic pipeline preparing student-athletes for future competition at Houston High School.

Basketball season approaches

While fall sports enter championship season, preparations for winter athletics are beginning.

Houston Middle girls basketball tryouts are scheduled for Monday from 3:15 to 5:15 p.m. in Gym A.

Boys basketball tryouts begin Monday from 3:15 to 5:15 p.m. in Gym B and continue Tuesday from 3:15 to 5:15 p.m. in Gym A.

Week ahead: Sept. 28-

Oct. 2

Another full slate of competition awaits GMSD Athletics as September turns to October.

Monday features Houston Middle girls soccer postseason action against Lakeland at 4:30 p.m., along with the start of middle school basketball tryouts.

From Tuesday through Thursday, Houston Middle tennis competes in City Championship action at Leftwich Tennis Center. Tuesday also features a 3:45 p.m. match against Germantown at C.O. Franklin Park.

Wednesday evening, Houston Middle will host a boys and girls lacrosse interest meeting as the district continues to expand opportunities for student-athletes.

Thursday night is 8th Grade Night for Houston Middle football, with Arlington visiting the Houston High School football field for games at 6 and 7:30 p.m.

Friday night belongs to the Mustangs

Houston High School football returns to Landers Stadium Friday at 6 p.m.

The game will also serve as Houston Middle Night at HHS, giving future Mustangs an opportunity to experience Friday-night football and see the next step in their athletic journey.

Houston Middle cross country will compete Friday at the Frank Horton Invitational at Shelby Farms.

As fall sports enter the heart of championship season, GMSD Athletics continues to build toward the future — one competition, one team and one student-athlete at a time.

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JD ZATAR BRINGS DANCE, SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP TO HOUSTON HIGH HOMECOMING CROWN

Staff Reports

JD Zatar wears many hats at Houston High School: student leader, volunteer, dancer, advocate and mentor.

Now, she can add another

title to the list: 2026 Homecoming Queen.

A senior at Houston High, Zatar has spent 14 years studying ballet and currently dances as a youth professional. Her commit-

ment to the arts extends beyond her own performances, however. She teaches with Ballet Memphis' Inclusive Dance Program and brought the idea to Houston High, by founding an Inclusive Dance Program for students with disabilities and special needs.

For Zatar, service is a central part of her experience as a student. She logged more than 90 volunteer hours last year and is involved in HOSA, Student Government Association, Horizons, Key Club and the

GMSD Student Ambassadors.

She also serves as executive director of Brain2Heart, where she helps younger students explore the medical field through hands-on learning.

Her busy schedule extends into the classroom, where she has completed eight Advanced Placement courses and 10 honors courses.

Whether she's on stage, in the classroom or working to create opportunities for others, Zatar has made service and inclusion a defining part of her time at Houston High.

As Homecoming Queen, she's adding yet another memorable chapter to her Mustang story.

Source: Germantown Municipal School District



GERMANTOWN NIGHT OUT SET FOR OCTOBER 6

Staff Reports

Germantown residents are encouraged to begin planning for one of the city's favorite fall traditions, Germantown Night Out, set for Tuesday, Oct. 6, from 5 to 9 p.m.

Neighborhoods throughout the city will host block parties, cookouts and driveway gatherings to show appreciation for local first responders. During the evening, personnel from the Germantown Police Department, Germantown Fire Department, EMS and 911 Dispatch will visit participating neighborhoods to meet residents, answer questions and enjoy refreshments provided by the community.

Neighborhood organizers who would like their event included on the official visitation route are encouraged to register early so first responders can visit as many gatherings as possible.

To register, contact Community Engagement Coordinator Erinn Figg at EFigg@Germantown-TN.gov or (901) 757-7203. Organizers should provide the neighborhood name, event location and address, start and end times, and the name and phone number of a primary contact.

Residents are encouraged to gather their neighbors, fire up the grill and prepare to welcome Germantown's first responders during this annual community celebration.

Source: City of Germantown
Photo courtesy City of Germantown



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Beyond improving operational safety, the acquisition standardizes thermal imaging technology across all of the department’s suppression companies. The new units also meet updated performance and durability standards established by the National Fire Protection Association.

Source: City of Germantown.

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attendees are encouraged to wear casual Western attire such as jeans, boots and cowboy hats.

In addition to the festivities, guests will receive an exclusive preview of upcoming development plans for the park.

“When most people think of the Farm Park, they picture gardens and green space,” Farm Park Board Member Laura Barden said. “What they may not realize is that it’s also a place where children can learn, discover and grow through hands-on experiences in nature.”

Barden added that ticket sales directly support new educational and recreational spaces for local children.

Tickets are available online at zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/under-the-harvest-moon-2. For inquiries, email info@thefarmpark.com.

Moody’s Reaffirms Germantown’s Top Aaa
Credit Rating Ahead of New Bond Issues
City marks 40 consecutive years holding highest possible rating from financial agency

Staff Reports

GERMANTOWN, Tenn. — Moody’s Ratings has reaffirmed the City of Germantown’s issuer rating at Aaa, maintaining the municipality’s place in the top tier of creditworthiness for 40 consecutive years.

Along with reaffirming the top score for the city’s existing general obligation debt, Moody’s assigned Aaa ratings to two upcoming bond issues: \$12.34 million in Series 2026A General Obligation Improvement Bonds and \$10.93 million in Series 2026B General Obligation Refunding Bonds.

Germantown has held a Aaa credit rating from Moody’s since 1986 and has maintained a AAA rating from Standard & Poor’s since 1994. An updated credit evaluation from Standard & Poor’s is expected later this week.

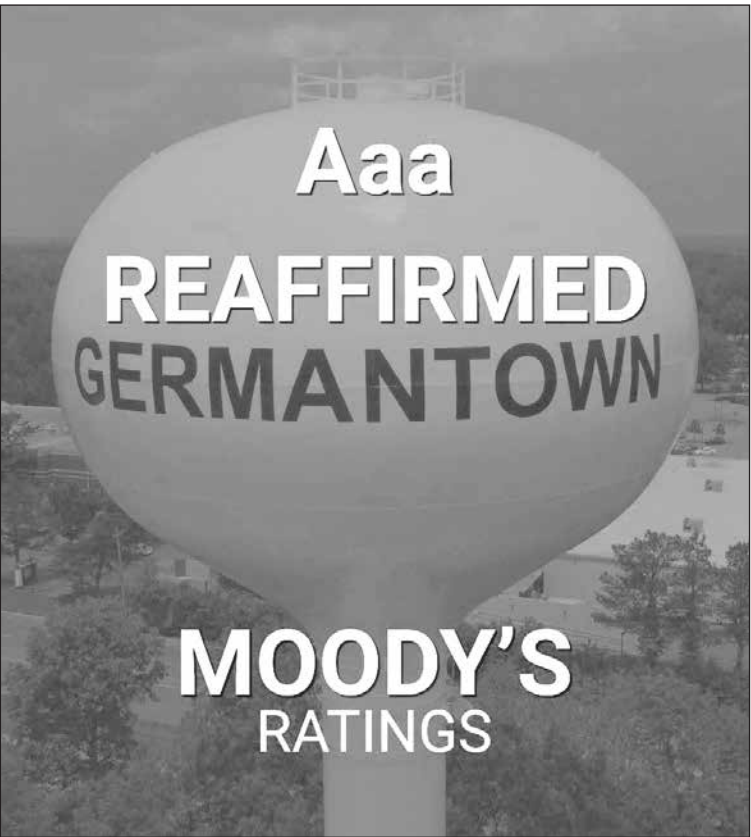
“Maintaining a top-tier rating for four decades isn’t an accident; it is the direct result of decades of careful, intentional fiscal management by our Board of Mayor and Aldermen and City staff,” Mayor Mike Palazzolo said. “Much like a top credit score lowers an individual’s interest rates on a mortgage, our Aaa rating ensures the City secures the lowest possible borrowing costs when funding

essential infrastructure projects, saving our taxpayers significant money over time.”

In its evaluation, Moody’s cited the city’s proactive management team, strong financial reserves, and expanding regional economic base as key drivers of the rating. The report highlighted local wealth levels at 201% of the national average and average property values of \$186,520 per capita.

Proceeds from the \$12.34 million Series 2026A bond issue will fund two major municipal projects:

- Houston High School Improvements: A \$10 million allocation will support facility upgrades within the Germantown Municipal School District, including construction of a new Fine Arts Wing and renovations to the school cafeteria. Annual debt service for the project is built into the city’s budget. This project marks Germantown’s fourth major bond initiative for school district capital projects, following investments in Riverdale School (\$11 million), Forest Hill Elementary (\$27 million), and Houston Middle School (\$5 million).
- Germantown Athletic Club: A \$3.5 million allocation will fund renovations to the indoor pool



area at the Germantown Athletic Club. Debt service for this portion will be paid directly through club revenues, requiring no municipal tax dollars.

In addition to new capital funding, city leaders hold authorization to issue up to \$10.93 million in Series 2026B General Obligation Refunding Bonds to refinance existing debt from 2016. Officials said the refinancing will be executed only if market con-

ditions generate net interest cost savings over the remaining term of the debt.

“Our financial philosophy has always been straightforward: plan conservatively, be good stewards of taxpayer dollars and invest thoughtfully in Germantown’s future,” City Administrator Jason Huisman said. “This rating confirms that our long-term strategy continues to keep the City on stable, sustainable ground.”

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GERMANTOWN UNEMPLOYMENT
RISES TO 3.2% IN AUGUST, STILL
LOWEST AMONG SHELBY SUBURBS

The rate climbed four-tenths of a point but remained the lowest among the Memphis area’s major suburbs.

Staff Reports

Germantown’s unemployment rate rose to 3.2% in August, up four-tenths of a point from 2.8% in July, according to figures released Sept. 24 by the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development. The rate was up two-tenths of a point from the 3.0% recorded in August 2025.

An estimated 588 Germantown residents were counted as unemployed out of a labor force of 18,184, leaving 17,596 people working.

Rates moved higher across much of Tennessee in August,

rising from July to August in 45 of the state’s 95 counties, the department said, even as the seasonally adjusted statewide rate held at 3.4%. City and county rates are not seasonally adjusted.

Even with the increase, Germantown recorded the lowest rate among Shelby County’s largest suburbs, ahead of Collierville at 3.3% and Bartlett at 3.9%. All three ran well below Shelby County’s 5.0% and the city of Memphis’ 5.6%.

The broader Memphis metropolitan area, which spans parts of Mississippi and Arkansas, registered 4.6% in August, down from 4.7% in July.

The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development will release county unemployment data for September next month.

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STILL STANDING WITH THE VOLS



I went to Knoxville this past weekend hoping to come home with a Tennessee victory. Instead, I brought home a sunburn, some Greek baked goods and a reminder that a weekend with an old friend can still be a good one, even when the scoreboard doesn't cooperate.

A high school friend and I headed over Friday afternoon to watch the Vols take on Texas. We checked into our hotel, walked around town and enjoyed the atmosphere. There were quite a few Texas fans staying at the hotel, and we had some pleasant conversations with

them. They were pretty decent people, despite their questionable choice of orange.

Saturday came with an extra layer of excitement because President Donald Trump attended the game. With additional security measures in place, the stadium gates opened early at 9 a.m., and fans were encouraged to arrive well ahead of kickoff. We took that advice and made the walk from our hotel in time to be there at 9.

Our tickets were for the social deck, which meant standing rather than having seats to return to. Normally, standing through a football game doesn't bother me. But by the time we added the early arrival to the game itself, I think we spent about seven hours straight on our feet.

That is a considerable amount of standing for

someone who wasn't even playing.

Thankfully, the weather was wonderful. I don't think it got much above 75 degrees during the game, which felt great after the heat we've had lately. The sunshine, however, made its presence known. My face is a little blistered, and I look more like I spent the weekend at the beach than at a football stadium.

As for the game, Texas came away with a 20-17 win. Losing by three points to the top-ranked team in the country is nothing to be ashamed of, but I still left feeling like that was one Tennessee could have won. A little more production from the offense could have made all the difference. Being close enough to imagine how it might have gone differently almost makes the loss more frustrating.

After the game, we walked back to the hotel and spent more than an hour doing something we had apparently taken for granted that morning: sitting down.

We talked about going back out and enjoying the downtown atmosphere, but neither of us seemed particularly eager to get moving again. Eventually, the hotel's Mediterranean restaurant wound out over another walk around town. It turned out to be a good choice. We had a nice meal and each drank about two liters of water while we were sitting there.

After dinner, we considered going out again. Instead, we went back to the room, turned on more football and called it a night. Knoxville was an hour ahead of our usual time, so I think we were in bed by about 8 p.m. Central.

Apparently, this is what a big football weekend with a high school friend looks like once you're no longer anywhere close to being in high school. Still, there is something wonderful about the sleep that comes when you are completely exhausted and actually have time to stay asleep.

Sunday morning, we got up early and drove about three hours to Nashville to attend my friend's Greek Orthodox church. He had invited me, and I was interested in seeing what the service was like. It was certainly different from what I'm accustomed to on Sunday mornings, but the people were welcoming, and I appreciated their hospitality.

The Nashville Greek Festival was also taking place on the church grounds that weekend. There was a large

bake sale, so I loaded up on bread and other baked goods to take home to Lena and the kids. At least I could bring something home besides complaints about Tennessee's offense.

It was a good weekend away, but I was glad to get back to my family and my own bed. The older I get, the more I appreciate both parts of a trip: having the opportunity to go somewhere and being happy to return.

I would still have preferred a win. But there is plenty of football left, and Saturday didn't give me any reason to stop believing in the Vols. If Texas really is the best team in the country, Tennessee showed it could stay in the game with them.

I'll keep standing behind this team. Next time, though, I might look for a ticket that includes a chair.

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When it comes to managing your money, there's more to consider than just the bottom line. In addition to building wealth or reaching goals, investing allows you to match your dollars with charitable causes or principles in line with your values.

Whether your focus is on protecting the planet, aligning with your faith or giving back to your community, a financial advisor who understands your values can help you build a portfolio that reflects what matters to you.

Know what you stand for

Before searching for a financial advisor, take a moment to reflect on your own values. Are you passionate about sustainability? Do you want your investments to avoid companies that conflict with your faith? Is charitable giving something you want to incorporate into your financial strategy?

Make a list of your top priorities. Knowing what drives you can make it easier to find a financial advisor who understands and respects your vision.

Do your homework

Next, look for financial advisors who focus on values-based investing. Terms like "socially responsible investing" (SRI), "faith-based investing," "impact investing" or "ESG" (which stands for environmental, social and governance) are good keywords to help your search.

Browse financial advisor websites and check their credentials. Some may highlight their experience with sustainable funds, faith-aligned investing or philanthropic planning. Look for signs that they are comfortable helping clients align their investments with their personal values.

Ask the right questions

Schedule a few introductory discussions, either in person or remotely. These chats are your chance to learn more about how the financial advisor works and whether they'll be a good fit. Ask about their investment approach:

- Do they offer portfolios with a focus on ESG or faith-based filters?
 - Have they worked with clients with similar values to yours?
 - How do they assess charitable giving strategies or donor-advised funds?
 - Do they understand the tax considerations associated with charitable giving?
- Listen closely to the questions they ask of you. Are they interested in what matters to you? Do they understand your values and priorities?

Also, consider their communication style. Will they keep you updated regularly? Are they open to collaboration when you want to adjust your plan?

Will they keep you updated regularly? Are they open to collaboration when you want to adjust your plan?

Trust your instincts

Choosing a financial advisor is a personal decision. Beyond their professional qualifications, you want someone who listens well and respects your goals. Meet with several financial advisors before making your choice. The right person will make you feel understood and supported, both financially and personally.

Ideally, you and your financial advisor will forge a relationship that spans changes and milestones throughout your life. As details of your financial strategy change, you'll still want to hold onto your values in your investments.

Investing with purpose

Whether you're hoping to reduce your carbon footprint, stay true to your faith or make the world a better place through giving, you don't have to choose between your values and your financial future. There are many financial advisors who can help you do both.



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POLICE REPORTS

Friday, September 18th
Crimes:

A victim reported unwanted physical contact. The report originated from the 2100 block of Exeter Road at 10:37 a.m.

A business reported that two subjects left without paying for their food. The report originated from the 7700 block of Poplar Avenue at 12:33 p.m.

A victim reported a telephone scam. The report originated from the 3000 block of Oakleigh Manor Cove at 2:05 p.m.

A victim reported that a subject unlawfully entered their residence. The report originated from the 7700 block of Cross Village Drive at 5:56 p.m.

Saturday, September 19th

Crimes:

A victim reported that their vehicle was taken. The report originated from the 2900 block of Sandy Creek Drive at 10:43 p.m.

Officers arrested a subject for unlawful possession of narcotics. The arrest originated from the 1900 block of South Germantown Road at 11:02 p.m.

Sunday, September 20th

Crimes:

Officers arrested a subject for unlawful possession of prescription drugs. The arrest originated from the area of South Germantown Road/Akerswood Drive at 12:41 a.m. A victim

reported threatening text messages. The report originated from the 2400 block of Sanders Ridge Lane at 7:51 a.m.

A victim reported that their residence was intentionally damaged. The report originated from the 9100 block of Forest Estates Cove at 3:56 p.m.

A victim reported a physical altercation inside of a vehicle. The report originated from

the of Poplar Avenue/Village Shops Drive at 10:14 p.m.

Monday, September 21st

Crimes:

Two subjects were involved in a physical altercation. The report originated from the 9400 block of Crestwyn Hills Cv. at 2:02 p.m.

Two subjects were involved in a physical altercation. The report originated from the 8100 block of Poplar Ave. at 6:09 p.m.

A business reported falling victim to a merchandise scam. The report originated from the 9200 block of Poplar Ave. at 6:19 p.m.

An individual was arrested for possessing narcotics. The arrest originated from the area of Germantown / Kings College at 10:44 p.m.

Tuesday, September 22nd

Crimes:

An individual was seen taking items from the business. The report originated from the 7700 block of Poplar Ave.e at 9:21 a.m.

An individual received treatment from the business and left without paying. The report originated from the 2000 block of Exeter Rd. at 9:37 a.m.

Wednesday, September 23rd

Crimes:

A subject was observed taking merchandise from a business. The report originated from the 9200 block of Poplar Avenue at 10:27 a.m.

A subject was observed taking merchandise from a business. The report originated from the 7600 block of Poplar Avenue at 5:32 p.m.

Officers arrested a subject for being the primary aggressor during an altercation. The arrest originated from the 2000 block of Kilbirnie Drive at 5:50 p.m. Officers arrested a subject for resisting arrest. The arrest originated from the area of South Germantown Road/Bixby Place South at 7:11 p.m.

Thursday, September 24th

Crimes:

A victim reported threatening text messages. The report originated from the 8400 block of Drury Lane at 2:05 p.m.

Two subjects were involved in a physical altercation. The report originated from the 7900 block of Farindon Drive at 6:57 p.m.

CRASHES There were a total of 26 crashes reported for this time period



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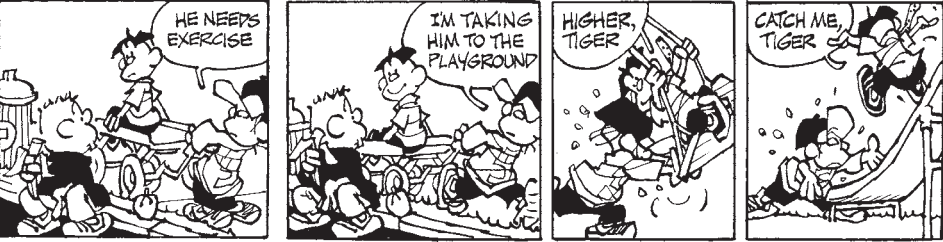
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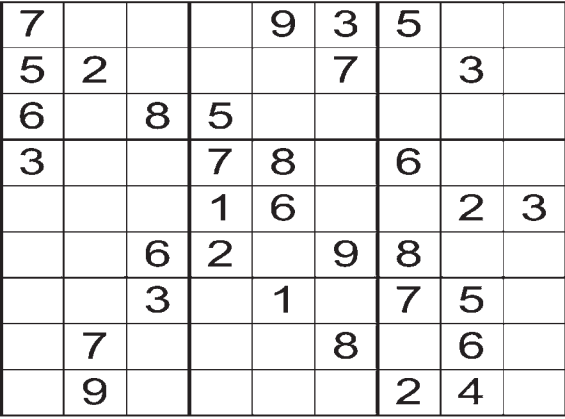
by **Donna Pettman**

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. Stay put	___ M ___	Hold on to	___ T ___
2. Australian city	___ Y ___	Poitier or Sheldon	___ I ___
3. Overshadow	___ D	Power and influence	___ T
4. Glowing coal	E ___	Rose or Heard	A ___
5. Pursue	C ___	Segment	P ___
6. Peace agreement	___ Y	Halloween goodies	___ S
7. Bush	___ B	Shoulder movement	___ G
8. Texas capital	___ I	Authoress Jane	___ E
9. Laurel's sidekick	___ D	Prince George's uncle	___ R
10. Ointment	L ___	Movement	M ___

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Weekly SUDOKU



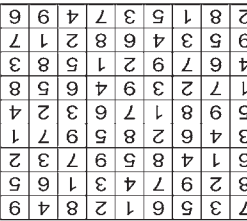
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ **HOO BOY!**

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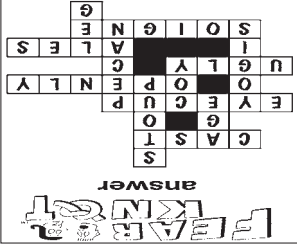
King Crossword

Answers

1. Dover, Diver	6. Carve, Curve
2. Temper, Temper	7. Amble, Ample
3. Badge, Barge	8. Hilly, Holly
4. Saint, Faint	9. Squeal, Squeak
5. Parlor, Pardon	10. Throne, Throng

Even Exchange

Answers

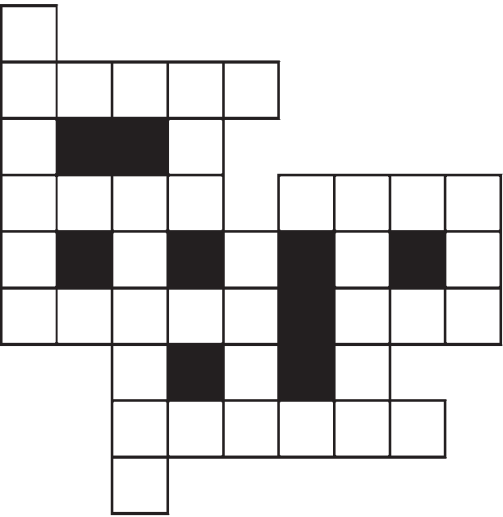


FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ... OR DARE!

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BRACIA
♥ ERDCA
♥ RDPO
APT BUE
♥ DDA
OBCL
♥ ECRPA
♥ IBD
ACERDA
ACBLA
♥ ADBU



Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Bath powders
6 Selected
11 Patronize, as a bistro
12 Cuts at an angle
14 Long-haired cat
15 Rise in defiance
16 Montmartre Mrs.
17 Wide
19 Big fuss
20 — ale
22 Rocker Nugent
23 Raced
24 Nosh at mid-night
26 Bishop's district
28 Free (of)
30 Spanish gold
31 Pianist Arrau
35 Slowpoke
39 Fireplace shelves
40 Ump's call
42 Old U.S. gas brand
43 Balloon filler
44 Impetus
46 Weeding tool
47 Roma's land
49 Pub perches

DOWN

1 Dorothy's friend
2 Germany's Merkel
3 Sign before Virgo
4 Keto restriction
5 Kick off

6 Trucker's device
7 Obey
8 Eggs
9 Mexican shawl
10 Shakes off
11 Muffles
13 Fine china brand
18 British ref. work
21 Beige shades
23 Tea biscuit
25 Tease
27 Choice words?

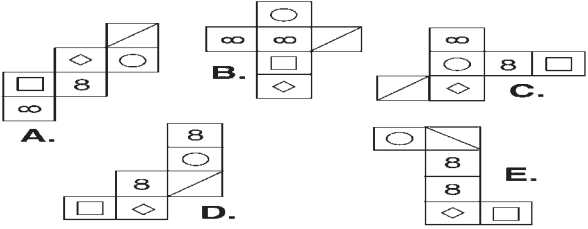
29 Museum display
31 Desk go-with
32 Hang around
33 Rub the wrong way
34 Gigi's "yes"
36 On the beach
37 Tristan's love
38 Windblown soil
41 Sports bar fixture
44 Food regimen
45 Engrave
48 Meadow
50 Rowing need

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STICKELERS

by **Terry Stickels**

Four of the five figures below can be folded back into the same cube. Which is the odd one out?



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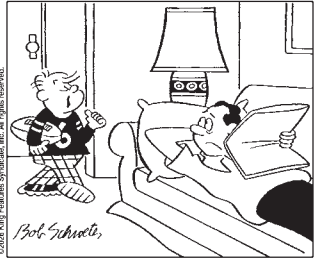
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Clue: E equals **W**

EFSM V EVGG WGVDRSQ
USGZNSQX NVM DWZGGD V
GJVU UYQZMB QYDF FJYQ, UJ
XJY BSR DRYIJJ ZM RQVTTZI?

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Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Write **CRAWLS** _____

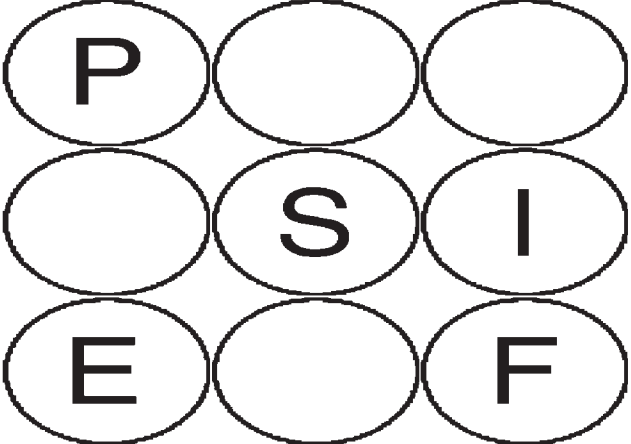
Gift **WORDE** _____

Idiom **LOGIN** _____

Thing **TIME** _____

TODAY'S WORD

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E	E	A	A	L	H	K	A	N	E	N	X	T
4	5	2	6	8	7	5	2	6	8	7	8	6
P	A	R	I	P	E	R	T	V	E	W	C	E
7	5	3	8	4	8	3	6	4	6	2	4	7
S	M	O	T	A	E	R	S	T	V	A	H	K
4	2	3	6	7	3	6	7	2	6	3	8	7
Y	N	U	I	L	S	L	E	I	E	D	L	
3	4	7	4	5	8	2	4	6	5	4	5	4
S	F	S	O	I	F	W	R	T	N	O	G	T
7	4	8	7	8	4	7	4	7	4	7	8	7
N	H	A	E	M	E	E	R	D	S	E	E	D

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What could you call people who vote "no" on something in a legislative assembly?

Anti bodies.

CryptoQuip

SCRAMBLERS

Solution

1. Anthem; 2. Prior
3. Honest; 4. Scout

CHRISTMAS

Today's Word

Word Spiral

Answer

IMMEDIATE

Sticklers Answer

1-d, 2-b, 3-e, 4-c, 5-a

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Food service, follow-up, September 25 — Score: 97

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Husni Dweik, 2nd grade



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