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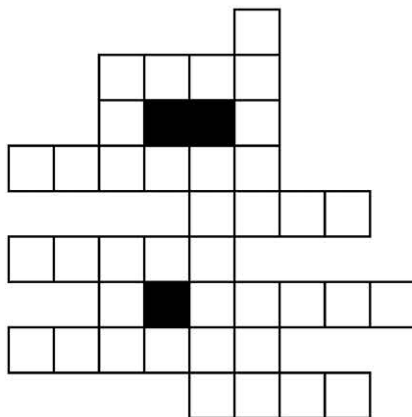
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by Linda Thistle

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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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♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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(answer from page 21)

Even Exchange 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.

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| 1. Depart | — — — V — | Rental agreement | — — — S — |
| 2. Perry Mason's job | L — — — — — | Twain character | S — — — — — |
| 3. Lure | — — — — C — | All-inclusive | — — — — R — |
| 4. Lead the way | — — — D — | Pretext | — — — S — |
| 5. Carpeting option | — E — — — — | Men's hair stylist | — A — — — — |
| 6. Afternoon tea cake | — — O — — — | Play division | — — E — — — |
| 7. Not asleep | — — — K — | Conscious of | — — — R — |
| 8. Prom dress | — — — — — L | Configure | — — — — — T |
| 9. Rah! Rah! Rah! | C — — — — — | Gossamer | S — — — — — |
| 10. Chef's garment | — P — — — — | Ohio city | — K — — — — |





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Woodrow Wilcox wants to teach what he knows about fighting mistakes and fraud in the Medicare medical billing system.

While working at his friend's insurance agency in northwest Indiana, he has saved clients of the agency over three million dollars.

"I just agreed to come to my friend's office one day while his receptionist took a day to visit her doctor. I just answered the phone and took messages to give my friend when he arrived. When he did, I told him that four or five of his clients phoned to report that their insurance companies were not paying the bills for claims," Wilcox stated. "My friend told me what he knew of the problem and what he did to try to help his clients with that problem."

Wilcox learned that the problem was common but that it was not usually caused by insurance companies. Wilcox suddenly realized that he understood the problem better than his friend who owned the insurance agency. A month later, his friend hired Wilcox to help clients fix the various problems they were having with Medicare related medical bills to keep the clients as happy customers.

"The Medicare system is a humanly designed flawed system which is operated by humans who make mistakes, too," Wilcox explained. "I just had a talent for tracking the source of the problem and getting others to cooperate to fix it in order not to harm senior citizens financially."

The insurance agency where Wilcox worked grew from one of-

fice with three insurance agents and three staff members to five offices with a dozen insurance agents and almost a dozen staff members. Also, the agency grew to having over 22,000 clients.

"The Medicare system can be so complicated that it overwhelms seniors. I just have a natural ability to ask questions to get answers that lead to solutions," Wilcox said.

Woodrow Wilcox will turn 70 in October 2024. He has survived two mild strokes and one mild heart attack. He wants to teach others how to help seniors fight bad medical billing in the Medicare system so that his knowledge and skills will live on to help senior citizens even after he passes away. So, he started a website where anyone can read his articles and watch his videos for free. The website is CitizenWoodrow.TV.

"I use the website to teach about helping seniors and commenting on public issues that have bothered me for a long time. I have written over 2,000 articles about problems with the Medicare system and how I fixed the problems for our senior citizen clients. I'm gradually adding articles to the website. If I live long enough, I'll put all the best articles on the website. But I'm concerned about other things, too. I've learned from a friend about the serious topic of human trafficking. I've learned that federal tax money is being misspent. Money that is supposed to be used to protect unaccompanied children entering our country is actually being misspent to put those children in harm's way. Whether people like my comments on anything or not, I'm talking about things that concern me because I care about other people. I guess it's my method for letting off steam and keeping my blood pressure down," Wilcox concluded.

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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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"In October, a maple tree before your window lights up your room like a great lamp."

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Jeremiah (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. In a vision that convinced Peter to share the gospel, what where the creatures let down to earth in? *Great sheet, Cloud, Well, Wind*
3. Who was instructed to eat bread while he lay for 390 days on his side?

Moses, Ezekiel, Methuselah, Samson
4. From Matthew 5, what did Jesus tell His disciples they were the salt of? *His glory, Mankind, The earth, Conversation*

5. Who survived the bite of a viper as described in Acts 28? *Paul, Matthew, John the Baptist, Stephen*

6. From Genesis 35, who died in giving birth to Benjamin? *Anna, Leah, Martha, Rachel*

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Great sheet, 3) Ezekiel, 4) The earth, 5) Paul, 6) Rachel

Hardcore trivia fan? Visit Wilson Casey's subscriber site at www.patreon.com/triviaguy.

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THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE



And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever; and they have no rest day or night, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name."

REVELATION 14:11

Medieval woodcut

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: O equals L

HGDV QFRBDQ MFJD RO HPLG

F KMGDJD LT CQPJCQFJ GPK

MTJDWX OFBLVDB, PL HFK F

CTTQ-GFBWX OQFV.

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SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

Keeping our balance

How long can you stand on one leg? This balance ability is apparently a good indicator of how we're aging ... or so say several researchers.

Some researchers pay attention to this standing business because they think it indicates longevity. Others think a lack of that ability can point to a cognitive decline.

If you want to check your balance, stand up and keep your eyes open, don't hold onto anything, and stand on one leg without any support, lifting one leg off the ground and bent at the knee. If you're between 50 and 59, that standing time should be 37 seconds. From 60-69, aim for 30 seconds. Between 70 and 79, shoot for 19 seconds, and over 80, aim for a bit over 5 seconds.

Another source says in your 50s, aim for 40 seconds. In 60s, try for 20 seconds. In your 70s, the goal would be around 10 seconds.

If you struggle with standing for those lengths of time, there are ways to improve your balance. You can practice standing but use something for support until you get the hang of it. You'll strengthen the muscles of your legs that way. Or try dancing and walking up stairs.

Take a look at the Mayo Clinic website for suggestions on how to improve your balance in general. At [mayoclinic.org](https://www.mayoclinic.org), do a search for "balance exercises," where you'll find dozens of articles. Pay attention to the ones that talk about strengthening your core muscles — your lower back, hips, stomach and pelvis. With a stronger core, you'll have better overall balance. The good news about core exercises is that you can do them at home and don't need to go to the gym.

For added ideas, check out YouTube videos ([youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com)) for senior exercises. With winter about to arrive, exercises we can do at home will help keep us in shape.

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Learn To Adjust Your Body to a New Sleeping Schedule

DEAR DR. ROACH: I just retired from working the graveyard shift for 40 years. I am hoping you can share some information on how to safely learn to sleep at night once again. — E.H.

ANSWER: Changing your body's circadian rhythm isn't always easy, and after such a long time, it will take longer for you. But it shouldn't be as difficult as you might fear. When people fly to the other part of the world, they need to get accustomed to a new sleep schedule, and it usually doesn't take more than a week or two for them to get accustomed. For you, it will be difficult learning to be up during the day, which is more of a behavioral issue than a circadian-rhythm issue.

The first advice I give is to push your internal time clock forward, not backward. Try to stay up two hours or so later each day until you get to a bedtime that works with your family (if appropriate) and goals. Your body has an easier time moving forward than backward.

Bright light can be your friend or your enemy. You want bright light when you wake up, not right before bed. Computers, phones and tablets all put out light that signals your brain to wake up, so don't use these before bed. Making sure that your bedroom is dark when you want to sleep is something you probably have already done, but it's still worth mentioning.

Caffeine is very helpful to a lot of people, so if you partake, do so when you awaken, not before bedtime. Some peo-

ple metabolize caffeine slowly, so if you do, don't have any caffeine for at least 8 hours before planning to go to sleep.

DEAR DR. ROACH: Recently, I had COVID and was given Paxlovid. I am a 74-year-old woman with a 25-year history of a fibromyalgia-type disorder, along with rheumatoid arthritis and a few other problems. I was expecting to feel worse after taking Paxlovid, but I was quite surprised that I felt much better. The COVID symptoms were gone in 24 hours, and for the first time in years, I had energy. The fibromyalgia symptoms were gone, too.

This lasted for four days, then it was back to reality. Once I stopped Paxlovid, the symptom relief halted as well. Have you ever heard of this? — F.P.

ANSWER: Yes, this is well-reported among the fibromyalgia community. It's not at all dissimilar to what I have heard from some patients about feeling better after getting antibiotics for an unrelated condition.

As far as I know, nobody has a definitive answer as to why this happens. I doubt very much that it is an effect of Paxlovid. Many people have tried using antivirals or antibiotics for fibromyalgia, but it does not seem to be helpful. Some authorities have speculated about it suppressing other viruses, but this isn't likely either. It seems that not only do people feel relatively better after being very sick with COVID, people report being able to do activities that they hadn't been able to do before.

I'm sorry that I don't have an answer as to why this happens. A diligent search doesn't lead me to any great insight. Obviously, a better understanding of these types of conditions would be great if it could lead to more effective treatments.

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.

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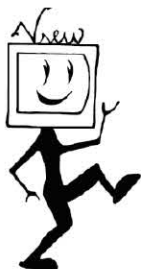
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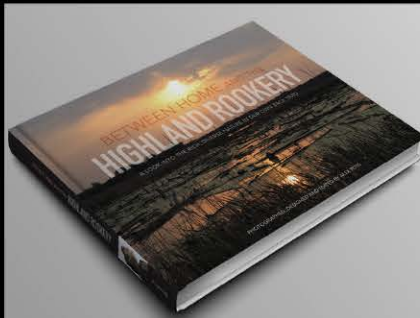
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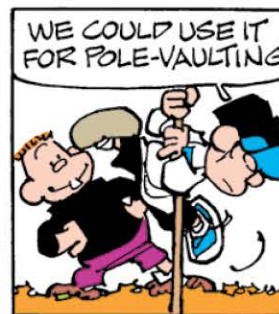
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1. Who had a hit with "Spanish Harlem"?
2. Name the band that released "Black Night."
3. Who wrote and released "How Deep Is Your Love"?
4. Which group released "I Count the Tears"?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "My love must be a kind of blind love, I can't see anyone but you."

Answers

1. Ben E. King, in 1960. The song was King's first solo hit after he left The Drifters. It was used as a b-side to "First Taste of Love," but climbed to the Top Ten chart and has made it to the list of "500 Greatest Songs of All Time."
2. Deep Purple, in 1970.
3. The Bee Gees, in 1977. It was included in the film "Saturday Night Fever" starring John Travolta, one of three Bee Gees songs used.

4. The Drifters, in 1960. The song went to No. 6 on the R&B chart and was released on the group's "Save the Last Dance for Me" album.

5. "I Only Have Eyes For You," most notably by The Flamingos in 1959. The song was written in 1934 for the film "Dames," and has been released by numerous artists over the years, including Art Garfunkel and The Lettermen.

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Even Exchange

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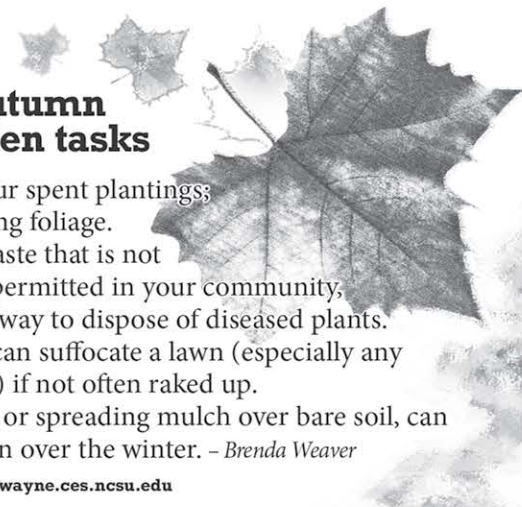
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| 5. Berber, Barber | 10. Apron, Akron |

The Garden Bug

Autumn garden tasks

- Gather seeds from your spent plantings; collect all dead and dying foliage.
- Compost any plant waste that is not diseased. If burning is permitted in your community, this will be an effective way to dispose of diseased plants.
- The autumn leaf fall can suffocate a lawn (especially any newly-established ones) if not often raked up.
- Planting cover crops, or spreading mulch over bare soil, can help prevent soil erosion over the winter. - Brenda Weaver

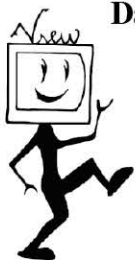
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DID YOU FIND HARRY? See page 12. You could win a gift certificate for Eli's Golden Apple, Cafe Stelios, or a TV View T-shirt.

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Dishcloth is larger. 2. Picture on wall is larger. 3. Stack of dishes is shorter. 4. Cabinet handle is missing. 5. Report card is smaller. 6. Upper cabinet is missing.

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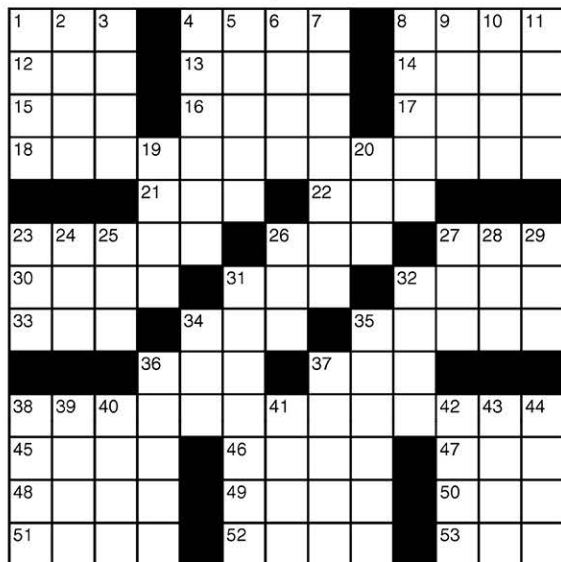
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 18 James Caan's role in "The God-father"
 21 Shoe width
 22 Aachen article
 23 Tire pattern
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 30 Shower bar?
 31 Chart format
 32 Shed
 33 Cauldron
 34 Hit show letters
 35 Symbol of freshness
 36 HBO rival
 37 Serena, to Venus
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 Shawn Colvin song
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 46 Eventful periods
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 49 Vogue rival
 50 Microwave
 51 Curly cabbage
 52 Ken or Barbie
 53 Oklahoma tribe
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 11 Zap with a beam
 19 Tide variety
 20 Author Yutang
 23 Recipe abbr.
 24 Kanga's kid
 25 Have dinner
 26 Carnival city
 27 Luau dish
 28 Gore and
 Pacino
 29 Farm pen
 31 "Continue!"
 32 Prepare potatoes
 34 Bashful
 35 Truck fuel
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 38 Bag
 39 Pac-12 team
 40 Hammer target
 41 Woody's son
 42 Rice-shaped pasta
 43 Vegan's no-no
 44 Big fair, for short

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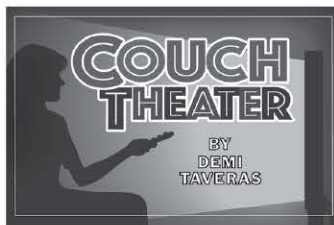
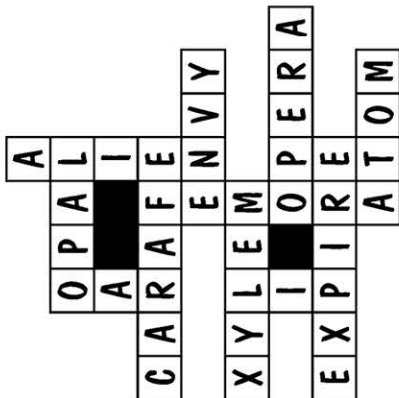
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FEAR & KNIGHT

answer



"Deadpool & Wolverine" (R)

The second highest-grossing film of the year has finally been freed from its movie-theater shackles so that it can grace our screens at home! After pulling in \$1.3 billion at the box office, the third "Deadpool" movie — a buddy film that adds Hugh Jackman's Wolverine into the mix — is now available to rent. Ryan Reynolds reprises his role as Wade Wilson/Deadpool, who's down in the dumps after hanging up his mercenary ways and picking up a job as a used car salesman. But when the Time Variance Authority accidentally reveals that his timeline in the multiverse will shortly be eradicated, Wade employs maximum effort to save his timeline with the help of the multiverse's "worst Wolverine." Buckle in, because it's quite a ride! And keep an eye out for some great cameos from previous characters in the "X-Men" films. (Amazon Prime Video)

"Speak No Evil" (R) — In this psychological horror film, Scoot McNairy ("Narcos: Mexico") and Mackenzie Davis ("Black Mirror") portray Louise and Ben, who are on vacation with their daughter, Agnes, in Italy. While there, they meet another couple, Paddy and Ciara, who also have an only child, and form a friendship. When Paddy and Ciara invite Louise and Ben's family to spend some time at their farm in the countryside, Louise and Ben pick up on some strange behavior between the other family that leaves them shocked and troubled. Wanting to keep the peace, however, Louise and Ben's family remain at the farmhouse. But little do they know that as each hour passes on, their chances of getting out become slimmer and slimmer. James McAvoy ("It Chapter Two") and Aisling Fran-

ciosi ("Game of Thrones") co-star in this film out now to rent. (Apple TV+)

"American Music Awards 50th Anniversary Special" (TV-14)

The American Music Awards celebrates 50 years since its inception, even though it hasn't held its annual award ceremony since November 2022. Plans to hold an anniversary special were set in motion after the award show's contract with ABC expired and CBS picked up the show for a slated 2025 release date. So, if you didn't catch the special when it was recently broadcast live on CBS, you'll be able to stream it now and watch the performances of legendary musicians like Mariah Carey, Green Day, Brad Paisley, Chaka Khan, Gladys Knight and Jennifer Hudson. The special also includes appearances from celebrities like Carrie Underwood, Jennifer Lopez, Gloria Estefan and Jimmy Kimmel. (Paramount+)

"Lonely Planet" (R)

A current theme in romantic films during 2024 seems to be the concept of older women being drawn to and falling in love with younger men (e.g., "The Idea of You" and "A Family Affair"). This film starring Laura Dern ("Palm Royale") and Liam Hemsworth ("Land of Bad") provides yet another take on this theme, as novelist Katherine (Dern) embarks on a retreat in Morocco. At this retreat, she meets Owen (Hemsworth), who originally tagged along to the retreat with his writer-girlfriend, Lily. But as Owen's connection with Lily wavers, sparks begin to fly between this unavailable man and the lonely novelist. Out on Oct. 11. (Netflix)

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Courtesy of Netflix

Laura Dern, left, and Liam Hemsworth star in "Lonely Planet."

GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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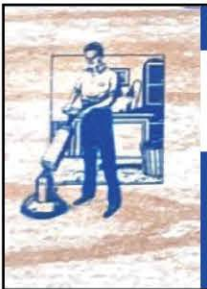
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"Well, are you going to ask him for directions or not?"



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HOLLYWOOD

by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD — **Dwayne Johnson**, aka the Rock, has played everything from "The Scorpion King" to the "Tooth Fairy." Now he's taking on the action-adventure Christmas comedy "Red One," with **Chris Evans**, **Lucy Liu**, **J.K. Simmons**, **Nick Kroll** and **Bonnie Hunt**, which ho-ho-hoes into theaters on Nov. 15.

In addition to his voice role in "Moana 2" (due Nov. 27), he's working on the sports drama "The Smashing Machine," with **Emily Blunt**, which will be released in 2025. But there's no rest for the busy Rock, as he's also preparing to star in the live-action version of "Moana," which is slated for release in July 2026.

At 52, he's moved from wrestling to movies to philanthropy by starting the Dwayne Johnson Rock Foundation for at-risk and terminally ill children. He also gave a \$1 million donation to the University of Miami and \$25,000 to Hurricane Harvey relief efforts. In addition, he donated a gym to a military base in Oahu, Hawaii, and gave a seven-figure donation to the SAG-AFTRA Foundation during the actors' strike, just to name some of his philanthropic efforts. If he can make people believe that he's the "Tooth Fairy" and make over \$100 million doing it, he can do anything!

Fresh off his second Emmy win for "The Bear," **Jeremy Allen White** will play music legend **Bruce Springsteen** in the biopic "Deliver Me from Nowhere." About the project, White offered, "Bruce has been really lovely and supportive and available, which has made this whole process an extra joy." The film traces Springsteen's journey of making his 1982 album, "Nebraska."

White's already completed "You Can't Win," set in the 1920s hobo underworld. The film follows the unusual friendship between an adventurer and a young prostitute, and it co-stars **Julia Garner** and **Will Patton**.

Let's not forget the upcoming biopic of **Bob Dylan**: "A Complete Unknown," with **Timothée Chalamet** as Dylan. He stars opposite **Edward Norton** and **Elle Fanning**, and the film's due on Christmas Day.



Karen Neal/Prime

Dwayne Johnson
in "Red One"

With \$1.326-billion grosses for "Deadpool & Wolverine," we'll surely get another sequel of the pairing, in addition to "Avengers: Secret Wars." The sixth "Avengers" film will star **Vanessa Kirby**, **Pedro Pascal**, **Robert Downey Jr.**, and **Anthony Mackie**. It's set to release in May 2027.

Robert Pattinson has chosen to lead the sci-fi comedy film "Mickey 17" for three-time-Oscar-winning director/producer/screenwriter **Bong Joon-ho** ("Parasite"). Pattinson plays an expendable, disposable employee on a human expedition who is sent to colonize an ice world. His character, Mickey, dies several times but gets regenerated each time. The film is due on Jan. 31, 2025.

Then Pattinson takes on **Jennifer Lawrence**, **Sissy Spacek** and **Nick Nolte** in the dark comedy "Die, My Love," which centers around a woman having mental health issues as her marriage breaks up.

Michael Keaton hits screens on Oct. 18 in the comedy "Goodrich," alongside **Mila Kunis** and **Andie MacDowell**. It took 35 years to make the sequel "Beetlejuice Beetlejuice," which has already grossed \$375.2 million, while the original only grossed \$84.5 million. They're promising not to wait 35 years for another sequel because then Keaton would be 108 years young!

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Answers

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S. O. S. - SPEAKING OF SENIORS

Medicare Denied Lab Bill

By Woodrow Wilcox

On October 17, 2024, a client visited with a medical bill for me to check. The bill was for laboratory work that her doctor ordered for her. The client is from Lake Village, Indiana.

With some editing to protect privacy, here is the letter that I sent for the client to her doctor and the laboratory.

Our client visited our office and brought a bill from your firm for our review. The bill seeks a balance of \$162.91 on bill number XXXXXXXXXX for service on 01/04/24.

The client and I phoned both her secondary insurance company and Medicare to learn why there was a balance on this bill. The client has an excellent Medicare supplement insurance policy that pays for anything that Medicare approves but does not pay.

We discovered that the item that Medicare refused to

approve was filed incorrectly. To save taxpayer money, when that happens, Medicare refuses to pay for anything that is not filed correctly.

In this case, the laboratory and/or the doctor failed to give adequate medical justification for the service that Medicare refused to cover. In other words, the patient did NOT cause the problem. Either the laboratory or the doctor or both caused the problem.

Please, stop trying to collect the balance and refile the claim correctly.

The client told me, "I'm sure glad that you help me. People in billing tend to 'walk' on seniors when we phone them to discuss a bill."

All the help that I gave this client was FREE OF CHARGE. This insurance agency helps all our clients with similar medical bill problems without charge to demonstrate that we really do appreciate and value our clients. If your insurance agency does not give this high level of service, why don't you switch to another insurance agency? Consider our agency.

Note: Woodrow Wilcox is the senior medical bill case worker at Senior Care Insurance Services in Merrillville, Indiana. He has saved clients of that firm over three million dollars by fighting mistakes and fraud in the Medicare system. Also, Wilcox wrote the book SOLVING MEDICARE PROBLEMS which is available through book stores or online.

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2. Beetlejuice Beetlejuice

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3. Transformers One

(PG) Chris Hemsworth, Brian Tyree Henry

4. Devara Part 1

(NR) N.T. Rama Rao Jr., Saif Ali Khan

5. Speak No Evil

(R) James McAvoy, Mackenzie Davis

6. Megalopolis

(R) Adam Driver, Giancarlo Esposito

7. Deadpool & Wolverine

(R) Ryan Reynolds, Hugh Jackman

8. Never Let Go

(R) Halle Berry, Anthony B. Jenkins

9. My Old Ass

(R) Maisy Stella, Aubrey Plaza

10. Howl's Moving Castle

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celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson

Q. My wife and I really enjoyed the premiere of the new “Matlock” with Kathy Bates, but there have been no subsequent episodes. Did it change nights? — K.L.

A. The new “Matlock” reboot recently debuted on CBS on a Sunday night at 8 p.m., but the next episode wasn’t slated to be broadcast until Thursday, Oct. 17, at 10 p.m. ET. It was a huge ratings hit, becoming CBS’s best premiere in over five years. It continues to generate big numbers on the streamer Paramount+ as well. The question is, will fans follow the show to Thursday nights three weeks after the pilot episode aired? Granted, CBS will re-air the pilot on Oct. 10 in the new time slot, so this should reignite interest in the show.

I personally think they should keep “Matlock” on Sunday nights, as older audiences will likely stay tuned to CBS after “60 Minutes” is over. However, the Justin Hartley drama “Tracker” will air in this slot instead, but if Hartley doesn’t bring in the numbers that Kathy Bates did, I wouldn’t be surprised if “Matlock” is back on Sundays.

Interestingly, it was recently reported that Bates said “Matlock” will be her last hurrah and that she plans to retire, but CBS has said she’s changed her mind. In fact, her co-star Skye P. Marshall, who plays attorney Olympia Lawrence, said that she would “drag [Bates] out of her house kicking and screaming if she thinks America or the world is going to let her retire.”

Q. I was so sad to hear about the death of Drake Hogestyn. Did he film any more episodes as John on “Days of Our Lives” that haven’t aired yet? — R.W.

A. Drake Hogestyn, a fan favorite as John Black on “Days of Our Lives” for a total of 38 years, passed away on Sept. 28 at the age of 71. His family says that he put up an “unbelievable fight” in his battle against pancreatic cancer. Unfortunately, his appearance on “Days” had already aired on Sept. 9, as the show films six to seven months in advance of the airdates.



Gaye Ann Bruno & Gail Schulman
**Kathy Bates in the CBS series
“Matlock”**

“Days” airs exclusively on NBC’s streaming service Peacock, so you can easily find the episode, as they are listed in date order. Also, according to TVLine, if you’re looking for Hogestyn’s final scene with Deidre Hall, who plays John’s soulmate Marlena, you’ll find it on the Sept. 5 episode.

Q. Is “Silo” coming back to Apple TV+ for another season? What about “Bad Sisters”? — K.S.

A. Yes, both “Silo” and “Bad Sisters” will return to Apple TV+ for their second seasons. The dystopian sci-fi drama “Silo” returns on Nov. 15 with one episode. Subsequent episodes will drop weekly on Fridays through Jan. 17, 2025. Steve Zahn (“The White Lotus”) joins the cast.

“Bad Sisters,” a dark murder-mystery series, will be back beginning Nov. 13 with a two-episode premiere. The rest of the new episodes will air each Wednesday with eight episodes in total.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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Make a winter training schedule for your pet

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My German Shepherd, “Dante,” is smart but stubborn, and constant training is essential. But I wanted to share a method I use to make sure I keep up with his basic obedience training and work on advanced skills year-round.

Every three to four months, I sit down with a new notebook and make a training journal for Dante. It helps me organize my thoughts around how to best train him in the late fall and winter, when going outside every day isn’t always possible, or the weather is so unpleasant that Dante won’t listen to my commands.

I write down the training goals I want to accomplish during this period. I note any behavioral or training issues that Dante has had up to now. Shepherds, like many big dogs and herders, have a lot of energy and need at least an hour per day of exercise, so I figure out the best times to do that. There are also a lot of holidays during this period, and the journal gives me a place to figure out in advance how I will handle travel, training, parties and other schedule challenges.

I hope my method will help other readers who are trying to maintain their dog’s obedience skills while having a busy life. — Cheryl K. in Eau Claire, Wisconsin

DEAR Cheryl: That’s fantastic advice! Thank you for sharing your journaling method. It sounds like it provides a space to write down much more information than jotting notes on a wall calendar.

Creating a training schedule and journal also is a big help in monitoring how well your dog is progressing with their training, and noting areas where improvements can be made.

Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com.

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VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

Reaching out

The holidays will be here soon, and not all of us will do well with getting through that time of the year. Whether it's the pressures of the social aspects of the season or financial worries or we're just not feelin' it, sometimes it's all just a bit much. But we're not alone.

The Department of Veterans Affairs has a website loaded with resources to help with all kinds of concerns. Go to www.va.gov/REACH/challenges and scroll down to view the categories, such as life transitions, health challenges, feelings of depression and many more. Select up to three statements that describe what you're going through (examples are "I don't care about the things I used to care about" and "I don't have anyone I can ask for help"), then click the "All Done" button at the bottom.

What you get is a page of resources tailor-made for you. Start working your way through all of them. The bottom line is that if you need support, the help is there. You're not alone. Sometimes the VA does things perfectly, and this website of resources is one of those.

On the flip side of the coin, perhaps you're doing extremely well and want to connect with fellow veterans who might need a bit of help. Buddy Check is a program that connects veterans. You'll take some short peer-to-peer training (a 34-minute video) and then pledge to reach out to 10 veterans. Although there is an official Buddy Check Week, there is no reason you can't reach out at other times of the year — especially now with the holidays coming up.

Check out Together We Served, a.k.a. the Buddy Finder (www.togetherweserved.com), to hunt for veterans you served with, and reconnect with them. At this writing, the site has over 2 million veterans who've registered their profiles to make contact with other veterans. Together We Served also has a Facebook page, as well as an app on Google Play and the App Store.

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• There are many uses for empty Tic Tac containers. Here are three: Wrap with pretty paper and use as a tiny vase for a single-stem flower. Or, separate small scrapbooking supplies in them. Last, thread two needles with a length of thread — one white and one black. Poke the needles through a small square of paper and wrap the thread around the paper. Slip into the container for a travel sewing kit.

• "Need your nails to dry in a hurry? You can use the cool setting on your hair dryer. It works really fast." — L.E. in Georgia

• To get a couple more days out of your cat litter, clean the box out and mix in a cup of baking soda.

• Remove mildew from plastic shower curtains by spraying them with a mix of bleach and water, or just toss them in the washing machine with your next load of towels.

• "We have a playroom, and the kids argue about who made what mess and who should clean up which toys. We made a cleaning schedule for the room, having one or two children per day responsible to clean up at the end of the day. It was a rough start, but the kids have learned to clean up as they go rather than leave a big mess for someone else. (Pay back is not kind.)" — A Mom, via email

• If your vacuum has a paper filter, spray it with your fave perfume or essential oil. It will blow into the air as you vacuum, leaving behind a pleasant scent.

Send your tips to Now Here's a Tip, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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CryptoQuip answer

When Laurel came up with a scheme to flimflam his comedy partner, it was a fool-Hardy plan.



by Ryan A. Berenz

1. In September 2014, what Cincinnati Reds infielder hit a walk-off grand slam in his final major league at-bat?

2. How many games did quarterback Todd Marinovich, a first-round draft pick for the Los Angeles Raiders in 1991, play in his entire NFL career?

3. What biennial tournament, organized by the International Golf Federation and first played in 1958, is the world men's amateur team championship?

4. Name the Georgia Bulldogs placekicker who made a school-record 60-yard field goal to upset the No. 2 Clemson Tigers 26-23 in 1984. (Hint: He won the Super Bowl in his rookie NFL season.)

5. Canada's Glenroy Gilbert won a gold medal in the 4x100 meter relay at the 1996 Atlanta Summer Olympics. What events did he compete in at the 1994 Lillehammer Winter Olympics?

6. Tennis player Andrei Medvedev, who lost to Andre Agassi in the 1999 French Open final, represented what country?

7. What NCAA Division I basketball team plays its home games at Sojka Pavilion in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania?

Answers

1. Ramon Santiago.
2. Eight.
3. The Eisenhower Trophy.
4. Kevin Butler.
5. Two-man and four-man bobsled.
6. Ukraine.
7. The Bucknell University Bison.

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