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*Wish me happy birthday, y'all!*

I'm turning another year older, and, hopefully, a little gooser. I mean, a *gittle* looser. This time of year, there's no telling what you might hear around the dinner table! Families get together and start getting silly, and, well, what plays in private stays in private.

At least until people decide it's too funny to keep secret. I'll spill the beans here on a very important man in my life. The leader of our household had a commanding voice and a gracious laugh. When he spoke, people listened. And they learned that it was safe to laugh, even when he misspoke. Once he told a long, involved story about going to the optometrist — except he mixed up his words and said that he had gotten a good report from the obstetrician.

Such a faux pas is technically called a slip of the tongue. Such unintentional departures from what we mean to say — such as, “work is the curse of the drinking classes,” when we mean to say, “drink is the curse of the working classes” — might be called a malapropism or, at times, a spoonerism (after a 19th century preacher named William Spooner who famously slipped laughable phrases into his speeches.)

How often do we make such unintended, nonhabitual deviations from our basic thought processes? And what humor these and other malapropisms add to our lives! This line of reasoning inspires me to *make myself touch* less seriously, just so I can give a little extra joy to my guests.

*Put that in your hat and smoke it!*

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— By Melissa Rawlins

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*Every detail in Bill and Sheila Dasch's spick-and-span home promotes a feeling of simplicity. Within the tall, gray walls, under the bright, white ceilings, both husband and wife enjoy a newfound freedom of movement, while they redefine their lives. Even their Christmas holiday trees have been moved around this year, in keeping with their focus on calm, peaceful living.*

When the Dasches moved into their home 16 years ago, reds were everywhere. Deep, dark high-energy colors complemented their lifestyle then. At the time, Bill pastored St. John's Lutheran Church, and Sheila ran the household, while rearing two boys — one of whom was fighting a battle against leukemia. Because the walls were red, Sheila's Christmas traditions included decorating the tree in the living room with traditional ornaments with a red-and-green theme. The tree in their master bedroom used to be done with silver and crystal ornaments. "The back room was done in black with reds, and a half tree that went against the wall had old-fashioned, blown-glass ornaments. That tree was so cute," Sheila said. "Every room was special.

"But since repainting the walls gray last year, I moved the silver-and-crystal ornamentation out here and just made the tree bigger," she continued. "I took the red-and-green that I had used in the main rooms and turned the bedroom into the reds and greens. I put a beautiful nativity by Willow Tree out on the living room mantel. I took an old-fashioned lantern that was missing its glass, and used it as a crèche for the nativity."

Sheila always looked forward to Christmas decorating when Taylor and Tristen lived here. "After losing Tristen in 2010, when he was 15, it took a while to get back into the joy of decorating," Sheila said.

Taylor was the eldest, and his brother was in second grade when the family moved here from Houston in 2004. "Being senior pastor at a 1,400-person Houston church took up all my time. Sheila wasn't ever seeing me, even after we had our first son in 1993. I decided I wanted to move to a smaller place," Bill said. "I put my name in for positions in Louisiana, California and other states not Texas. We were called to "the perfect church in the perfect town," which was described to me as an agricultural town. We did not know anything about Mansfield, and when we finished driving up here, we woke up in a hotel surrounded by fields of houses."



# HAVE A ROCKIN' CHRISTMAS

Today in America, nearly everyone celebrates Christmas, but the real reason for the season is sometimes overlooked. So what's Christmas really all about? Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus over 2,000 years ago. He is the Son of God, the promised Savior, sent to save people from their sin and restore relationship with God (*Matthew 1:21*). The truth is that everyone has sinned and is in need of a Savior. We've all told lies and a number of other wrong "sins" (*Romans 3:23*). We all need a Savior (and should be thankful for Christmas) because the consequence for sin (like lying) is separation from God for eternity (*Romans 6:23*). Jesus died to save us from the consequence we deserve (*1 Peter 2:24*). The Bible teaches that in order to be "saved" a person has to believe in their hearts and confess with their mouths that Jesus is who He said He is; the Son of God, sent to save the World (*Romans 10:9*)! How simple! And it gets even better - once we say this prayer, we can lean on Jesus in anything we might face in life (*Isaiah 26:4*)! **JESUS IS THE ROCK, AND THE REAL KEY TO A ROCKIN' CHRISTMAS!!!**

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They thought the children would be part of a little community, but the rooftops surrounding them proved it was a growing community. "The church went from 150 to 565 in weekly attendance in 11 years," Bill said. "This did not turn out to be the farming town we expected, but we love the city it is." And the city has always loved them. When their life shifted from building a church to also caring for Tristen, the community surrounded them with even more care.

Bill did not slow down until he retired five years ago. Soon, he had started his own full-time ministry called Healing and Wholeness. "It fills a need. God led me to that, and it happened more and more frequently that when I lay hands on people, they are becoming healed," Bill said. "I believe God's releasing a new anointing. We have quite a few people calling in for prayer from all over the place. We do conferences also, from as far away as Mexico and Tennessee. We're trying to help change the Lutheran church to be known as a church on fire, because it is noted for not only theology, but also the heart for people."

In 2018, the Mansfield Women's Club asked Sheila and Bill to open their home for the annual Tour of Homes. Though it was a lot of work, their attic was full of Christmas stuff, so she pulled it off gorgeously. After this year, however, Sheila's intent is to decorate very simply, and elegantly, and then to let it all go.

Since she started writing a book titled *Behind the Collar: A Pastor's Wife's Journey from Illusion to Reality*, she has embraced their new season and has decided to scale down. "I do have way too much stuff," Sheila said. "My







goal is to clean the garage, decorate the garage, and then have a big garage sale.” She won’t sell her special, well-used dinnerware, though. “Until Bill retired, I always hosted the staff party here. I still do for the Bill Dasch Ministries team. She lays the mahogany dining table with Tartan by Lenox. “Those dishes have a green, red and gold plaid around a fruit emblem. In the kitchen vestibule, I use my Christopher Radco Christmas Tree plates to create a red-and-green table.”

She may go decorate Taylor’s home in Temple. “I have a wreath and manly things that will look good in his house. He is living well and is the most amazing young man. A firefighter and paramedic for Travis County Fire and a hospital out of Temple, Taylor has a girlfriend, a couple dogs and plays the piano.”

This Christmas, Taylor and his girlfriend will again join Bill and Sheila in their revived space to continue new traditions inspired by the old. Christmas Eve always was and still is celebrated at the church, and then Christmas morning they exchange gifts in the living room that feels cathedral-like thanks to four high-arched windows.

“Our Christmas tradition now is a special breakfast that I make with a casserole and German pancakes that were Tristen’s favorite, crepes with powdered sugar and lemon. Taylor’s girlfriend will be in charge of making us a special breakfast cocktail, like a Bloody Mary or a chocolate coffee liqueur. Taylor will serenade the family with piano music.” Afterwards, the family will gather on Sheila’s recent find from Salvation Army — a gray, suede couch. Surrounded by two large, Standard Poodles, they’ll open presents and share their blessings of joy, peace and togetherness. **NOW**



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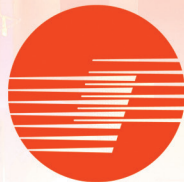
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— By Angel Morris

*Salt dough ornaments are one of the things some adults remember making with their grandmothers as children. Even though these ornaments only required three ingredients and little skill, they thought they were creating masterpieces. Since the activity can still be recalled decades later, perhaps they really were!*

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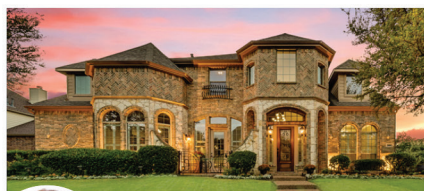
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### STEP 2:

Combine the flour, salt and 1/2 cup of water in a bowl. Blend the ingredients by hand. Blend in the remaining water, kneading until well combined. More water may be added, little by little, to eliminate any stickiness and achieve a smooth dough.

### STEP 3:

Cover a cutting board with flour. Knead the dough ball atop it.

### STEP 4:

Roll out the dough with a rolling pin to about 1/4-inch thickness.

### STEP 5:

Firmly cut shapes out of the dough with cookie cutters. Once you've cut out as many shapes as you can from the flattened dough, carefully remove all of the excess dough. You can reform another ball with the remaining dough, roll it out again and cut more shapes, repeating until all dough has been used.

### STEP 6:

Use the drinking straw to poke a hole through the top of every shape, so you can tie a ribbon through it for hanging on the tree.

### STEP 7:

Gently transfer cut-out shapes from the cutting board to the cookie sheet. Bake for about 3 hours.





### STEP 8:

Remove the ornaments from the oven when they feel solid to the touch, but before they begin to turn brown. Allow them to cool for at least 1 hour.

### STEP 9:

Paint the cooled ornaments however you like! You may want to choose a color palette in advance, so they all match — whether that's pastels, rainbow brights or traditional Christmas colors. You can also add texture to the ornaments with craft supplies, such as glitter, sequins, beads or even buttons.

### STEP 10:

Loop a ribbon through the pre-cut hole atop each ornament, tying a knot so the ornament may be securely hung on tree branches. These cut-outs can also be used as gift tags or even serve as gifts themselves.

Shapes like candy canes, pine trees and stars are holiday classics, while snowflakes, hearts and alphabet initials can hang around the house throughout winter. Maybe you let the kids select themes, like animals or nature, choosing your cookie cutters accordingly in advance.

However simple or involved you want to make the experience, salt dough ornaments are a fun family activity for any age or skill level. If you'd like, you can have each little artist sign and date them on the back with a paint pen or permanent marker, so your family masterpieces commemorate this moment and memory for all time. **NOW**

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In his 30-foot-tall shop west of Mansfield, Ron has several tons of wood from barns built in the 1870s. Customers can



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**Ron is having the time of his life helping people achieve their dreams using wood that brought the pioneers' dreams into shape.**

With a background in flipping houses, he and his wife, Heather, have owned a construction company that remodeled old houses. "Growing up in Minneapolis, my dad was a new homebuilder. When I was younger, he and I remodeled a house built in the 1800s. I learned a lot of construction even before I graduated high school," Ron said. Because of his construction knowledge, Ron can answer customers' questions when, for instance, they are unsure how to mount the mantel they are building with materials from Buy Barnwood.

His family-operated shop is at his home, so Buy Barnwood's prices for authentic barn wood are affordable. Ron's 7-year-old son, Summit, sweeps floors, cleans up sawdust and moves wood around for his dad. "My wife helps with the customers a little bit and comes out to pray with people. It's fun," Ron said, adding that their two youngest — 4-year-old Valor Grace and 2-year-old Caliber — are too young to work. They also have one, who is on her way in January.

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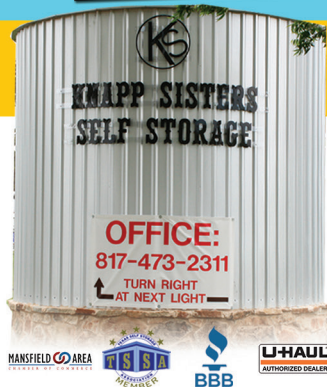
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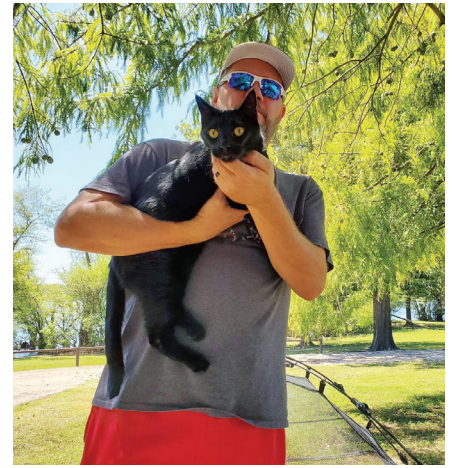
  
  
  


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Nathan Phillips and his cat, Midnight, enjoy camping out in Texarkana.

## Zoomed In: Antonio Holloway

By Melissa Rawlins

Every Wednesday, fresh meat, fruits and vegetables are given away for free under the Bethlehem Baptist Church carport to anybody in need, regardless of their address. More than 1,100 people have been coming monthly. In preparation for the holiday season, the church hosted its Holy Smoke drive-thru turkey leg fundraiser intended to raise \$10,000. Turkey legs usually sold by Meat By The Case Meat Market owner Antonio Holloway were offered for sale to community members helping to restock one of the food pantries serving people in Antonio's community.

"We had a surplus of turkey legs this year, because there was no state fair this year," Antonio said. Stoking up the smoker with help from church members, Antonio said, "When you can provide food for people, it makes you feel good."



Dylan Tigers and Viper Signs' owner, Bahaa Ibrahim, conduct a sign installation for First Methodist Church Mansfield.



Quintel Weathersby coaches the members of Camp Gladiators Monday and Wednesday boot camp at Alice Ponder Elementary School.



Alysia Pegram celebrates a birthday with her children, all virtual seniors at their schools—Greyson, UC San Diego; Luna Bella, Mansfield HS; and Soleil, Berklee College of Music in Boston.





Pam Guynes shops with her fabulous wellness supporter, Suzanne Engelbert, owner of Eterna Healthfood Store.



Student photographer Juan Pablo Castro captures LRHS AP Human Geography teacher Mrs. Dena Marlar's seasonal flair.



Meredith Dunbar and Sarah Robinson bring their children together for a play day at Julien Feild Park.

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— By Melissa Rawlins

Both Ronnie and Rosemarie De Manna grew up in Italian households. “We learned to cook from amazing cooking families,” said Ronnie, who recalls one special Christmas Eve with Nanny, his Italian grandmother, helping her make fried shrimp, eggplant parmigiana, calamari, soft shell crab and, finally, New York style cheesecake.

Nowadays, Ronnie works the kitchen with his wife, who preps the food he has chosen with loving care for all those at his table. A commercial banker with PlainsCapital Bank, Ronnie’s analytical side researches the best sources of lean, grass-fed meats, almond flour and xanthan gum for the couple’s healthy versions of traditional holiday comfort foods. Since 2017, when they made a lifestyle change and cut out “simple” carbs, they’ve honed their skill in cooking delicious meals for their two daughters, Giada (12) and Sofia (7), plus guests. **NOW**

## Zucchini Boats

**4 large zucchini**  
**1/4 cup olive oil**  
**1 Tbsp. sea salt**  
**1 Tbsp. freshly ground black pepper**  
**1 sweet onion**  
**1 lb. ground meat (beef, leftover holiday turkey, lamb or chicken)**  
**1 Tbsp. garlic powder**  
**1 tsp. paprika**

**1 Tbsp. fresh oregano leaves**  
**1/4 cup butter**  
**1 cup heavy cream (optional)**  
**1 cup mozzarella cheese, shredded**

- 1.** Preheat oven to 375 F
- 2.** Slice the ends off the zucchini. Cut the zucchini lengthwise, scooping some of the flesh out to create a space to hold the ground meat. Do not discard the flesh.
- 3.** Drizzle the boats with olive oil; sprinkle

with salt and black pepper. Place in the oven on a cookie sheet, face up or face down; roast for 15 minutes.

**4.** Meanwhile, slice the onions, the thinner the better. Sauté until golden brown. Add the reserved zucchini flesh; let it brown slightly.

**5.** Add the ground meat to the skillet; add seasonings. If you are starting with uncooked meat, be sure to cook thoroughly.

**6.** When the meat starts to brown slightly, move to one side; add butter to the skillet to melt. Adjust the skillet so the butter is getting a lot of the heat. When melted, slowly drizzle heavy cream into the skillet; stir. It is important to go slow at this point, and stop frequently to let the cream heat up. Do not add cold cream onto cold cream. As the cream is heating, begin to push it into the meat; continue to do this until your meat becomes a creamy mixture. (If you are not a fan of heavy cream, you can eliminate this step entirely.)

**7.** Once the meat is thoroughly cooked, remove the zucchini boats from the oven; transfer to a deeper baking dish. Spoon the meat into the boats. Spoon the extra meat around the zucchini, until all of the mixture is used.



8. Top with a sprinkle of shredded mozzarella; place in the oven for 10-15 minutes.

## Fluffy Chocolate Chip Keto Muffins

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1/2 cup coconut flour

1/4 cup monk fruit or sweetener of choice

1 tsp. baking powder

1/4 tsp. salt

1/8 tsp. xanthan gum

1/2 stick butter

2 oz. cream cheese

1 tsp. vanilla extract

3 eggs

1 cup milk

1/4 cup sugar-free chocolate chips

1. Preheat the oven to 350 F; line a mini cupcake pan with liners or coat with nonstick spray. Add all dry ingredients to a small bowl; whisk well.

2. Add butter, cream cheese and vanilla extract to a stand mixer or large bowl; cream until light and fluffy. Add one egg at a time; mix between additions.

3. Slowly add dry ingredients to wet ingredients. Pour in milk; mix just until incorporated and smooth. Fold in chocolate chips.

4. Divide and portion batter into the prepared cupcake pan. Bake for 18-20 minutes, or until a toothpick comes out clean when poked through the center of each muffin.

## Keto NY Cheesecake

2/3 cup almond meal

5 Tbsp. butter, melted

2 8-oz. pkgs. cream cheese

3/4 cup low-calorie natural sweetener (such as Swerve)

1/4 cup heavy whipping cream

2 Tbsp. water

3 large eggs

1/2 cup sour cream

2 Tbsp. almond flour

1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract

1. Preheat the oven to 350 F. Line a 12-cup muffin pan with paper liners.

2. Mix the almond meal and butter together in a bowl. Spoon into bottoms of the paper liners; press down to form a flat crust.

3. Stir the cream cheese and sweetener together in a bowl just until smooth. Mix in the whipping cream and water. Add eggs one at a time, whisking well after each addition. Stir in the sour cream, almond flour and vanilla extract. Spoon into the paper liners.

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2. Empty can of green beans into the skillet; turn the heat up. Stir and turn the green beans while they cook. (Depending on how many cans of green beans you use, the cooking process can take up to 20 minutes.) Halfway through cooking, drizzle in more of the olive oil; add salt, black pepper, onion powder and Italian seasoning; continue to stir.

3. When the beans are coated and thoroughly cooked, move to one side of the pan; place 2 Tbsp. butter and the remaining olive oil to the open section of the skillet. Let it sizzle for a few moments. Add almond meal to the oil and butter; stir while browning for a few minutes. Slowly begin to incorporate the mixture into the green beans; continue to stir until well coated. Serve warm.

4. Bake in the preheated oven until the cream cheese mixture is almost set in the middle, about 15-18 minutes. Be careful not to overcook.

5. Let cool at room temperature; refrigerate 8 hours to overnight.

1 15.25-oz. can green beans, drained  
1 tsp. sea salt  
1 tsp. freshly ground black pepper  
1 tsp. onion powder  
1 Tbsp. Italian seasoning  
1/4 cup almond meal

### Keto Breaded Green Beans

1/2 cup olive oil (divided use)  
1/4 cup butter (divided use)  
2 cloves fresh garlic, minced

1. Heat a large skillet on medium heat; coat the bottom with a drizzle of the olive oil. Add 2 Tbsp. of butter and the minced garlic. Sauté for a few minutes, but do not brown the garlic.

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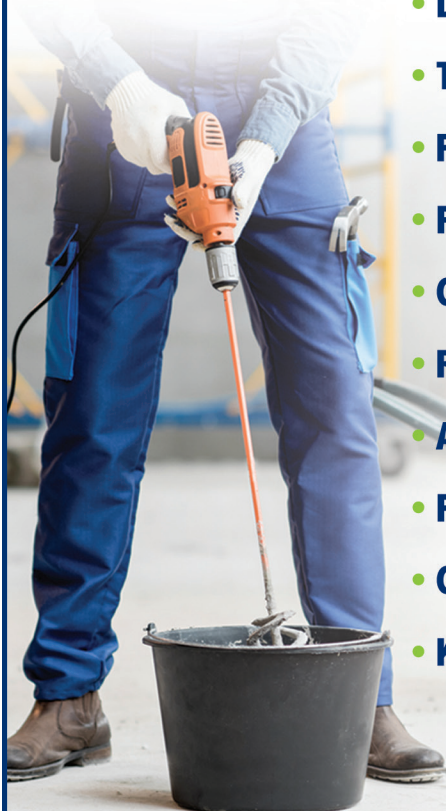
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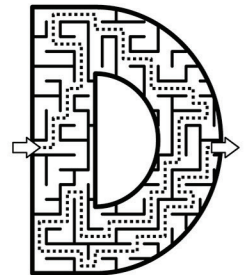
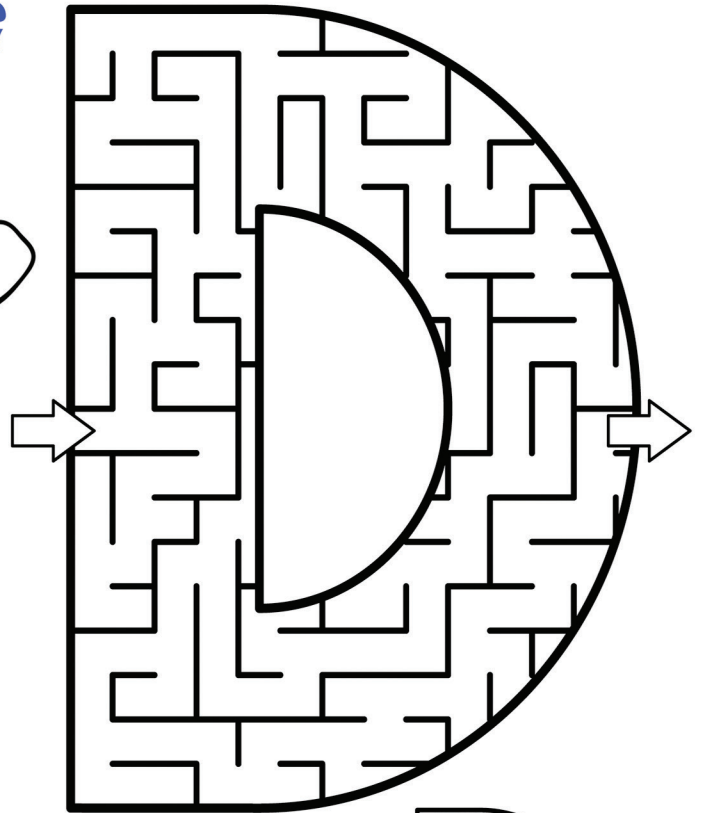
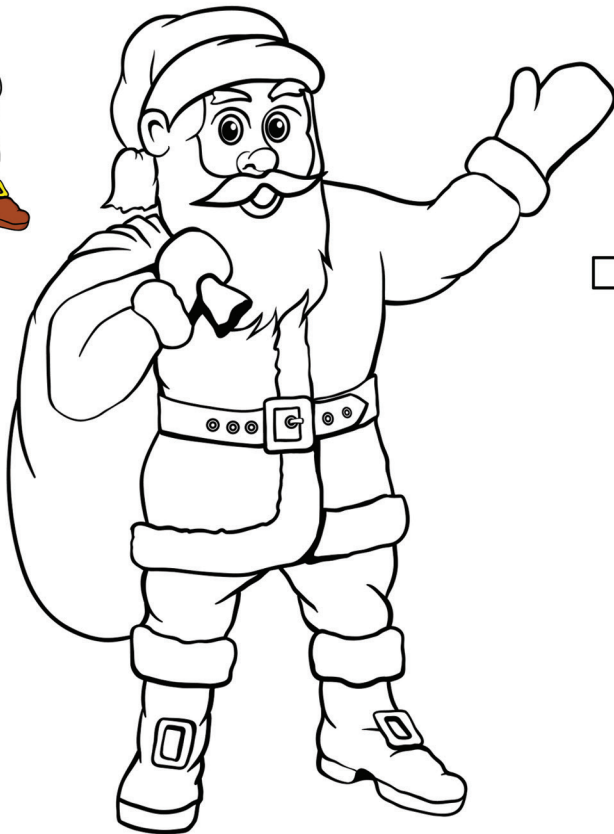
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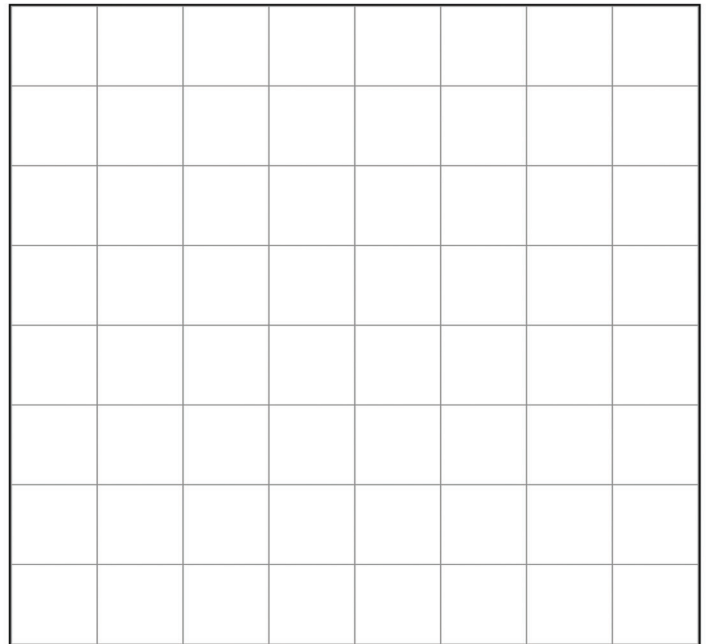
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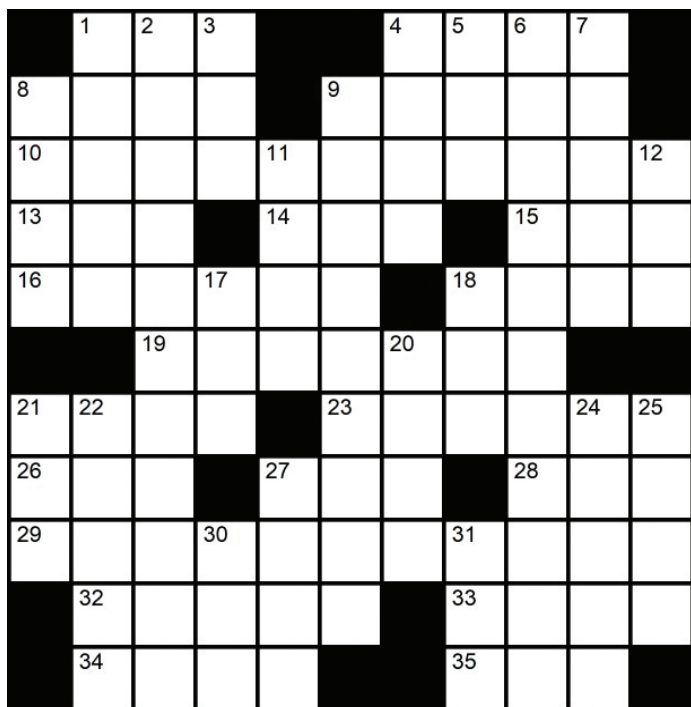


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## Across

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- 4 Islamic sect
- 8 E.g. King Cole's fiddlers
- 9 Greet the judge
- 10 County whose most populous city is Yonkers
- 13 Nose bag grain
- 14 CD- ---
- 15 Mischievous person
- 16 Intoxicated state
- 18 Long hard walk
- 19 Palindromic competition vehicle
- 21 First Pauline and now Jeanne Phillips
- 23 Discharge
- 26 Fur scarf
- 27 Ill. neighbor
- 28 Go right, to a horse
- 29 Focus
- 32 Rifle accessory
- 33 Working tirelessly
- 34 Campsite accommodation
- 35 "---- rather go naked than wear fur" (slogan)

## Down

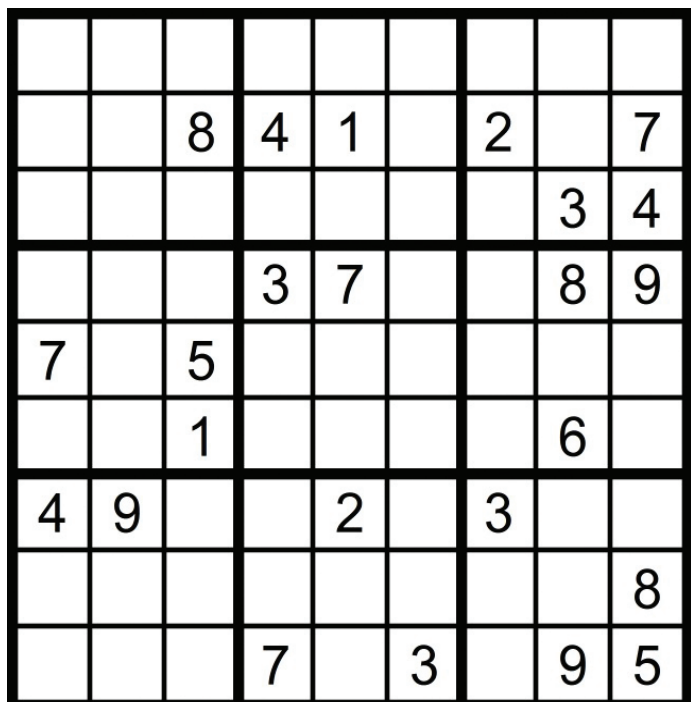
- 1 Dandy!
- 2 Hullabaloo
- 3 Poker chips
- 4 Part of a wineglass
- 5 Owns
- 6 Pump
- 7 "25" album singer
- 8 "Terrible" time for tots
- 9 Water's edge
- 11 Foam clog
- 12 Murder victim of 6/6/68
- 17 Fork over
- 18 "I Tawt I Taw a Puddy --- "
- 20 "--- bon!"
- 21 "General Hospital" network
- 22 Encouragement
- 24 Stinking to high heaven
- 25 Stocking fillers?
- 27 Exuded
- 30 Swindle
- 31 Untrained

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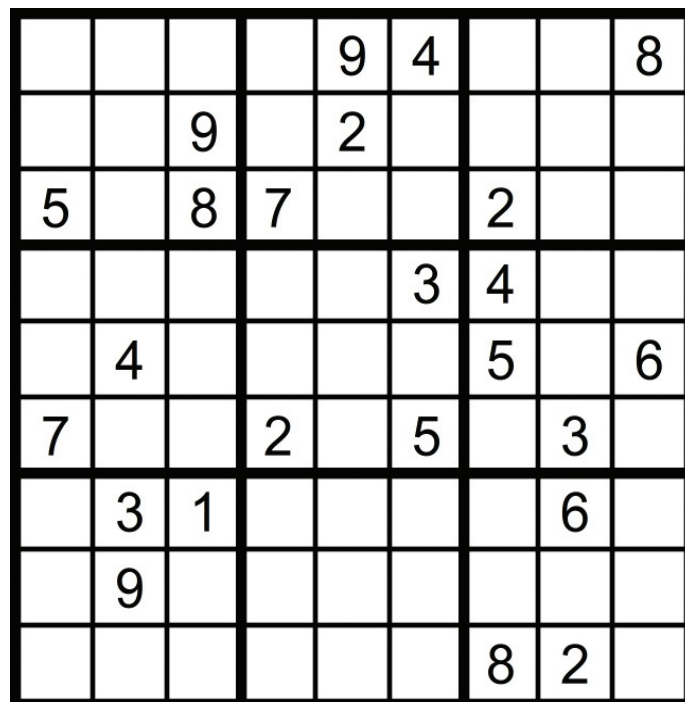
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26	B	O	A		27	W	I	S		28	G
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