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Jo Daviess County Housing Authority (JDCHA)

A white house with red shutters sits among the many houses along Galena's Franklin Street. It often goes unnoticed by many local residents; however, like many buildings in Galena, it has been refurbished and houses one of Jo Daviess County's most important organizations. The house has been home to Jo Daviess County Housing Authority (JDCHA) since 2008.



Rany Keleher, Executive Director, and Jackie Wickler, Manager, Jo Daviess County Housing Authority

JDCHA was organized in June of 1947 and has been in operation for more than 65 years. The organization has served hundreds of families and individuals with rental assistance. A portion JDCHA's operating expenses is provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. "The mission of the Housing Authority is to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing for income eligible individuals and families," stated Randy Keleher, Executive Director. "We're here to help provide housing at an affordable cost." Residents pay 30% of their gross adjusted income towards rent. Participants need to be income eligible in order to qualify for the programs.

JDCHA staffs four full time employees and one part time employee. The Housing Authority manages 108 public housing units and 41 Housing Choice Vouchers. In the public housing program, residents live in one of JDCHA's facilities. With the Housing Choice Voucher program, residents receive a voucher and work with local landlords to obtain housing. "The public housing facilities are located throughout Jo Daviess County. We have units in Galena, Hanover, Elizabeth and Warren. We offer both single units and family units. We also offer units designed for individuals with disabilities," reported Keleher. Keleher has been the Executive Director since 1999.

The JDCHA has seen many success stories over the years. Housing Manager, Jackie Wickler shared, "We had a young mother who was a full time nursing student and worked part time to support her family.

We provided rental assistance while she gained self sufficiency. Once she graduated, she personally thanked us. We helped her in her time of need."

In July, the Illinois state unemployment rate was 9.3%. With the cost of living rising, there is need for assistance and JDCHA is here to help. You do not need to be an Illinois resident to apply. Applicants may apply in person, online at jdcha.org, or request an application over the phone. Many of the apartment complexes include green space, laundry facilities, off street parking and all utilities paid.

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Dubuque Symphony Orchestra Board Announces New Executive Director

The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors recently appointed Debra Sandry as the DSO's new Executive Director. Sandry served as Director of Development at the Quad City Symphony Orchestra for eight years where she created and implemented all development plans including grants, sponsors, annual fund, planned giving, and fund raising and donor recognition events.



Debra Sandry, New Executive Director, Dubuque Symphony Orchestra

"After an extensive search, we are very pleased to have Deb on board," said Patti Lachecki, board president. "The search committee was impressed with her experience, understanding and passion for symphony orchestras. We have found an enthusiastic leader to not only carry on our great traditions, but propel us forward into an exciting future."

Music Director and Conductor William Intriligator expressed his excitement about Sandry's appointment. "I'm delighted to welcome Deb to the Dubuque Symphony and to be working with her as we bring the orchestra to ever-higher levels of excellence."

Sandry served as a volun-

teer at the League of American Orchestras International Conference in 2005, 2008 and 2009. In 2008 she was one of 26 symphony marketing and development officers from around the country selected by the League of American Orchestras to participate in a two-year training program for orchestral leadership. She is also a member of the Association for Fund raising Professionals.

"I'm thrilled to be working with such a great team of people," commented Sandry. **DSO Cont. P. 3**

40 Years of Meaningful Lives

By Marilyn Althoff, Hills & Dales Executive Director, Hills & Dales

As 2013 has now arrived, Hills & Dales will begin celebrating 40 years of *Building Meaningful Lives* for individuals with disabilities. Elaine Barwick's legacy began when we opened our doors in November 1973.

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Marilyn Althoff, Executive Director, Hills & Dales

ty it provides to four young men with autism who were either living out of state or in state institutions and their families is no doubt another milestone

accomplishment. The process of opening this home began nearly two years ago because of a parent's need and request (much like how we were founded). It was never a decision of *if* we would meet the needs of young adults with autism, and specifically those that other agencies are unable to support within the current system, but only a matter of *when*. We have a history of meeting the needs of families and individuals who are the most vulnerable and who have significant needs, so the decision was not a difficult one.

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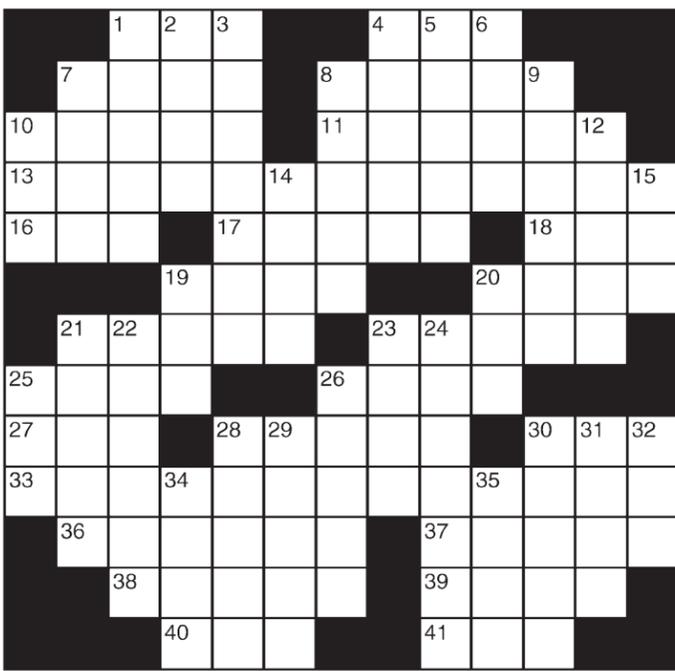


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 "The orchestra's long history and excellent reputation are both tremendous assets, and I am eager to help engage the community in the life of the orchestra."

Sandry graduated with a BA in Communications from

the former Marycrest College in Davenport, IA. She currently lives in Blue Grass, IA with her husband Bill. They have six children and seven grandchildren, and are making plans to move to Dubuque after their youngest child graduates high school in May 2013.

Hills & Dales from Pg. 1
 medical appointments and fun activities would not occur. The many smiles from the children and adults we serve and their families are the true gift of a

job well done and the reason our mission is still as strong after nearly 40 years as it was when Elaine started this endeavor to improve the lives of her son and others like him.

Northeast Iowa School of Music Presents Free Concert

The Northeast Iowa School of Music (NISOM) will present a free children's concert on Saturday, January 12 at 10:00 AM at Carnegie Stout Public Library as a part of NISOM's Lollipops & Music for Our Preschoolers (L&MOP) concert series. The December concert features the DBQ Brass Quintet. This group performs a wide variety of music from Baroque to Jazz to New Age and more. The group has been performing together for several years for the University of Dubuque Graduation Ceremony. Recently the group started performing for various events in the Dubuque area and environs. Prior performances have included weddings, Music

in the Parks concerts, special events, and many other commemorative occasions.

Lollipops & Music for Our Preschoolers is a monthly concert series for preschoolers and their families. The 30-minute concerts are held the second Saturday of each month, October through May, at 10 AM at Carnegie Stout Public Library in Dubuque. L&MOP events are free and open to the public and introduce children to a variety of instruments and styles of music. Students will leave with a greater appreciation of music and a lollipop! This series is made possible by a grant from the City of Dubuque. The Northeast Iowa School of Music is a non-profit organization that provides music education, performances, and outreach programs in Dubuque.

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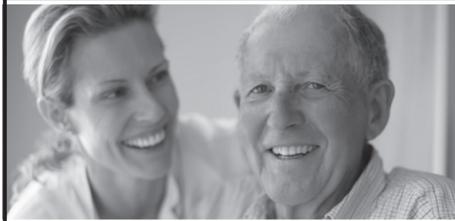
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Many also say it can be surprisingly affordable—particularly when compared to the total cost of many land-based vacations.

Other cruising veterans point to the fact that there is always something to do—from entertainment to sports to dancing—some cruises even offer casino action.

Plus, if you are focused on meditation and yoga, pilates or aerobics, you can find a cruise that tends to those needs as well. In most cases, people say, the cruise just lets them do as they please.

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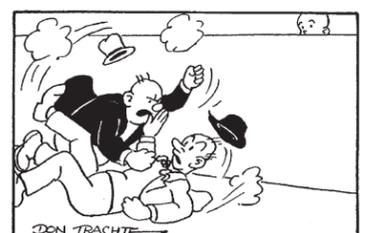
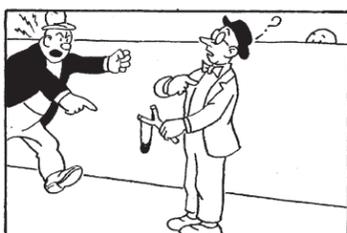
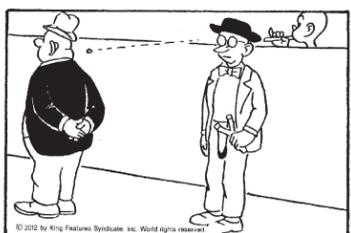
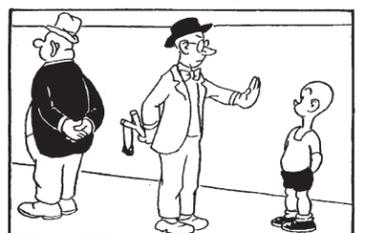
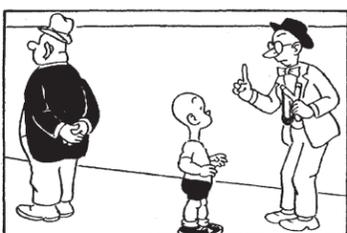
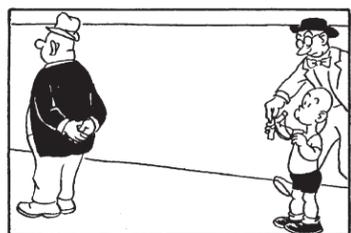
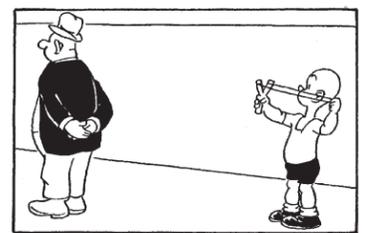
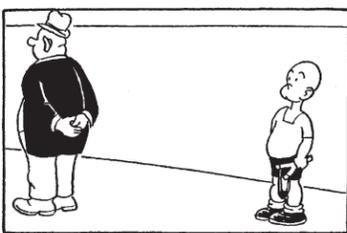
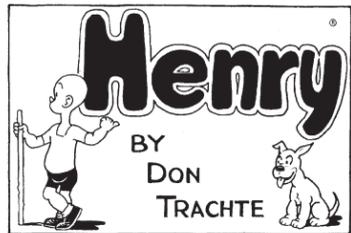
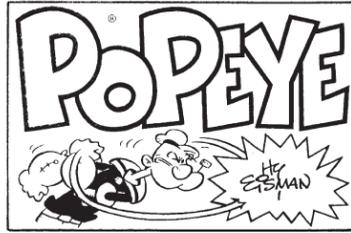
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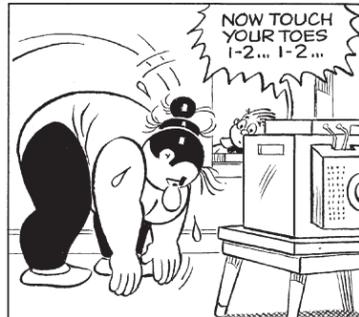
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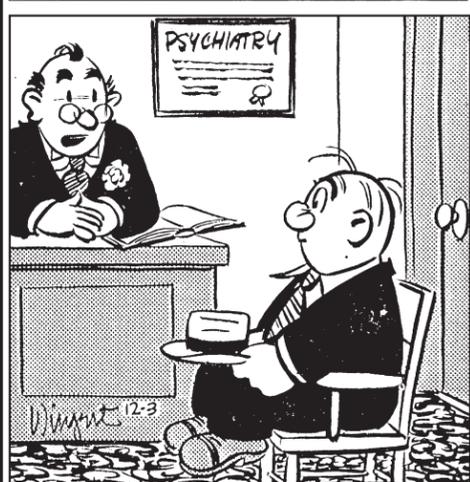
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Women in the Community are assisting children in need in Haiti and Africa and other parts of the world. A group of women volunteers have been making dresses for girls and britches for boys for eight months. This project began in March of 2012 when Sister Lillian Connolly RSM requested volunteers to come together and be a part of a sewing project. Volunteers from St. Anthony's Parish assisted in getting the sewing project started and we now have eight to ten regular volunteers from all over the community who spend a Tuesday afternoon at Applewood I apartments working together sharing laughter and fun as they sew dresses and shorts for children in far away countries.

Joanne Haywood of St. Anthony's Parish assists in coordinating the sewing project. It is amazing how interest has sparked with monetary donations for fabric, thread, bias tape, pillowcases, sheets and other supplies from individuals in the Dubuque area as well as North East Iowa. Donations have come from Decorah and Cedar Falls with gifts cards from JoAnn's fab-



Front, L – R: Marlene Heidersheit, Vivian Steffen, Issy Stillmunkes, Back Row: Sr Lillian Connolly, Marge Mathis, Dorothy Riegler, Connie Kuhn & Joanne Haywood.

ric. This project has brought awareness for women in these areas who are now are making dresses and britches for the poor along with socializing at the same time. This is a good way for anyone who wants to clean out their closets or sewing area.

This project is being sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 8384 through the St. Anthony Parish. Other, items we would send to Haiti and Africa are old eye glasses that you do not use anymore. We would appreciate any glasses from children, women and men, as we are in contact with an optician who would fit them to the people in need of them.

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The Importance of Solitude

I spent a three-day study leave at a Trappist monastery called the New Melleray Abbey in the rolling Iowa farmland south of Dubuque. There was no program to follow. It was a private retreat. The monks are cloistered, which means that they have limited contact with the outside world, so I had few conversations with them.

My days were spent reading, walking, and praying, eating three meals a day (usually alone at my table), and attending some of the seven "offices" or chapel services that were held each day.

It was a time of solitude.

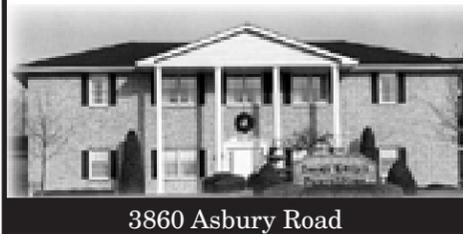
When I spent those three days at the monastery I didn't have my usual daily routine, habits, responsibilities, and distractions to lean on. It was all removed. I wasn't being, in an active sense, a husband, father, son, friend, neighbor, or Pastor Dave. Henri Nouwen wrote that "In solitude I get rid of my scaffolding." Scaffolding is what we use to prop ourselves up. Without the scaffolding of our normal activities, even for a few minutes, we can experience having only God to prop us up - and that's very good. We end up being healthier, stronger, more beneficial people when we spend regular times being alone with God.

Get alone and be with God! Then don't see yourself as being alone; see yourself as being with God!

"Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed." Mark 1 :35



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- Inexpensive gift idea: cute holiday coffee mug with a bar of chocolate, a packet of hot cocoa or instant coffee, a peppermint stick and a decorative holiday pick or spray. Place inside a gallon-size zipper-top bag, tie with a ribbon, then trim off the zipper-top, leaving just the plastic.
- Instead of going out and buying extra items to have on hand for guests, just borrow from your

neighbors. Extra towels, place settings, silverware, kitchen appliances: It's a pretty good bet that someone on your street has it for you to borrow. If you don't know your neighbors well enough to ask, maybe you should start planning a get-to-know-you party right now.

- Inexpensive gift idea: On the front of an empty photo album or scrapbook, print out and arrange color photos of your recipient in a collage. Glue the photos to the front of the album and cover with a decoupage glaze, like Mod Podge. Let dry and glaze again.
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Does Your Weight Need a New Year's Check-Up?!

Have you gained the typical 10 pounds this past year? Just 100 extra calories per day (10 potato chips or 2 small chocolate chip cookies) leads to an annual weight gain of 10 pounds.

Maintaining a healthy body weight is vital for good health. Food portions are a particular challenge in our super-sized society. Choosing sensible amounts of ALL food is fundamental to controlling caloric intake and maintaining a healthy weight....here are a few tips to use at home:

- Measure the amount of food you eat with standard measuring cups on a regular basis.
- Pay attention to the amount of food you are actually eating. (How many cups and ounce equivalents)
- Learn what appropriate portions look like, using your dishes. (What does ½ or 1 cup of cereal look like in your bowl?)
- Use smaller plates (10 inches), bowls, glasses, and cups at meals.
- Put recommended amounts from the five MyPlate food groups on your plate and don't take seconds.

- Stop eating when you feel 80% full.

- Fill your refrigerator and cupboards with nutrient rich foods, like fruit, vegetables, dairy, lean protein foods, and whole grains. Limit amounts of high-calorie foods (cookies, chips, and other snack foods) in your house. If they aren't in your house, you can't eat them! ☺

Download a new and excellent publication from ISU Extension and Outreach titled: "HOW MUCH are you eating?" at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/> Type PM 3024 in the search box. The publication contains photos on portions sizes, charts on recommended serving amounts, and other helpful information.

The 2013 "Healthy and Homemade" calendar is also available from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. This calendar supports Iowa's Healthiest State Initiative to help you live healthier, as well as provides nutritious and satisfying recipes that help you get more for your food dollar. The calendar is available from the Online Store at: <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/Item-Detail.aspx?ProductID=13910>

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Keeping Your New Year's Resolutions: Nutrition and Exercise The most common New Year's resolutions involve losing weight and increasing exercise—let us help you keep those resolutions and reach your goals with our expert advice and tips. Mercy Dietitian Holly Paulsen, RD, LD, will discuss the foundation of basic nutrition for long-term weight loss, and Mercy physical therapist Anne Kruse, DPT, Cert MDT, will help you begin or get back on track with your exercise program. Thursday, January 17, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Mercy Sixth Floor Auditorium. No fee. Registration is required at www.mercydubuque.com/events or 563-589-9600.

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Come Chat With Me
by S. E. Persinger

Greetings! Today, before sitting down in my home office to share a few thoughts with you, I brought my “break” snack with me. I had diced some cheese and placed a cocktail toothpick into one of the square pieces. “Yummy!” Of course, my steaming hot coffee was along for the ride.

Nowadays, life is so puzzling, isn't it? And I mean that literally. Every day I do the crossword puzzle from the local paper. And have you ever noticed how many times you have seen a paper at some restaurant or book store where someone had folded it to the puzzle section so they could work the puzzle while eating their lunch?

I am addicted to the newspaper puzzles. And every time I see a free monthly issue of the small papers. I grab it. I don't buy the crossword books because if I do, I want to keep solving them until every page

is done and that drives me crazy. So, if I just do the daily or monthly I have my needs met.

But, I am not only hooked on the crossword puzzles, I also have an obsession for the 1000 piece, interlocking picture puzzles. Sometimes I am up in the middle of the night working on my puzzle. Yet, I have to admit that I space the working of these puzzles because I don't ever want to get bored and lose interest in this art.

By the way, The Golden View has a fun crossword puzzle every month and I do that even before I read the publication. Sometimes my mind is “argumentative” so I have to put the puzzle down for a while and if that happens then I read the paper and go back to the puzzle when my little gray cells are ready to cooperate.

Incidentally, my family shares word and picture puzzles with each other so there is always an interesting puzzle to work on. How about you and your family, do you share this interest with others? I hope so. It's great fun and it works the brain.

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Snow Removal – Dubuque:

It is the responsibility of property owners to keep sidewalks clear of snow and/or ice immediately after a snow fall ends and no longer than 48 hours past the end of a snow event. If the sidewalk is not cleared, the City will send one courtesy notice before hiring a contractor to clear the snow and assess the property; further violations may result in civil citations with penalties up to \$750 plus court costs. Please

assist the Dubuque Fire Department by clearing snow from fire hydrants in your neighborhood. Also, corner lots are required to clear the snow from the access ramps to allow unimpeded passage for pedestrian traffic.

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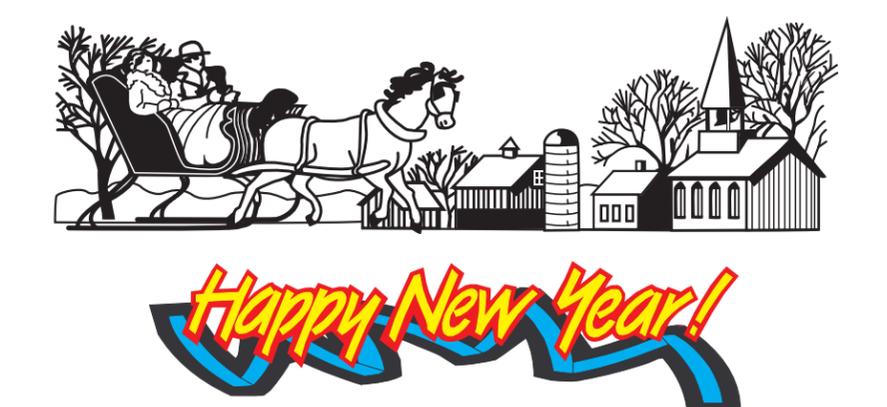
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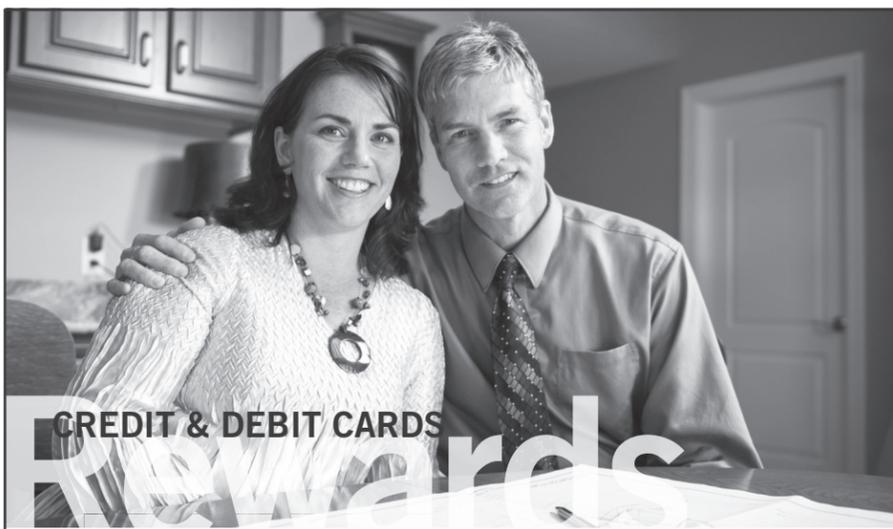
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Radio From The 20th Century

by Bill Zwack



Hedda Hopper, columnist, was born on June 2, 1890 in Hollidaysburg, PA. Hedda was a long standing Hollywood actress gossip writer. Thirty million readers in scores of papers around the country read her column. A film colony personality, she reigned as co-queen with Louella Parsons of *Hollywood Chatter*.

She began as chorus singer and stage actress, then in 1915, appeared in Louis B. Mayer's first production, *Virtuous Wives*. She made more than 100 films, and built up numerous contacts in all phases of the business. Hedda, who had been married to the renowned actor, De Wolf Hopper, started writing when she was in her 40s, and she realized that stardom was out of reach. Within a half dozen years,

she scored a coup by winning contracts with the Chicago Tribune daily news syndicate.

Hedda began her own gossip series in 1939 with a three a week airing of *Off-The-Set Tattle*, and appeared as celebrity guest on such audience participation shows as *Double or Nothing*, *People are Funny* and *Welcome Travelers*. Her outlandish, conversation-piece hats often inspired scripts for the programs of Bob Hope, Rudy Vallee and Dinah Shore. She called her autobiography *From Under My Hat*.

Hedda died February 1, 1966 in Hollywood, CA. If you listen to the *Big Broadcast* on KDTH, AM 1370 from 6 p.m. to 12 midnight, you might hear a gossip or two from the one and only Hedda Hopper.

AMBER WAVES

by Dave T. Phipps



**Good Bye From
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As I start out my 31st year of performing Hat Shows, I again want to thank all the people who invited me to perform my "Creative Hat & Fashion Show." Also I appreciate all the gifts of hats, jewelry, furs, & antique feathers etc.

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It is with great regret that I have to cut down on performing Hat Shows. I will do some in Dubuque and near by – day-time only.

In a way, I'm still doing shows as every time I step out of my house for church, doctor appointments, shopping and social gatherings etc. I receive a lot of comments as I dress up every day from head to foot. Doc-



Jill Rokusek, Hat Lady of Dubuque and the Tri-States

tors have commented, "Don't you realize how many smiles you put on people's faces?"

Folks all know me as the Hat Lady and are very gracious with their compliments. If I can make people happy, it makes me the "Happiest Hat Lady Around."

If you are interested in booking a Hat Show, Call: 563-582-5337

Thanks so much,
Jill

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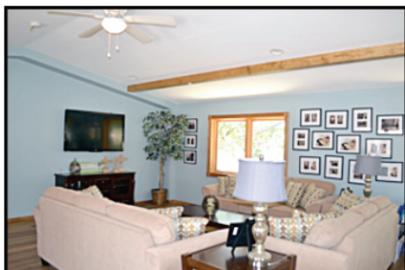
After significant snowfalls and when the City's snow route policy is declared, the program requires "odd/even" parking along Dubuque's designated snow routes. When in effect, parking is prohibited on "even-numbered" sides of streets on even days of the month and on "odd-numbered" sides of streets on odd days of the month. Parking restrictions are in effect from noon to 5 p.m. OR 1 a.m. to 6 a.m., depending on the street. Violators of the odd/even parking policy will be ticketed and fined \$30. For additional details, including a map, visit www.cityofdubuque.org/snowroute.

Enforcement of the snow route parking policy is announced in advance through area news media, including CityChannel, the local government access channel on the Mediacom cable television system (97.2 digital, 8 analog) and webstreamed at www.cityofdubuque.org/media. Notification is also provided via emails and texts through the City's Notify Me system. Subscription is available online at www.cityofdubuque.org/notifyme. Activation of the policy is also announced on the City of Dubuque website (www.cityofdubuque.org) and through the City's CodeRED emergency notification system.

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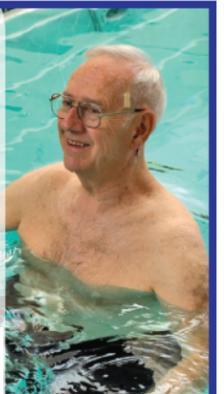
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Answer:

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Question:

Can I get both Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and

Social Security benefits based on my disability?

Answer:

Many people eligible for Social Security disability benefits also may be eligible for SSI. The disability decision for one program is the same for the other, but you must meet additional resource and income limits to qualify for SSI benefits. Learn all about SSI and whether or not you may qualify by reading the publication, You May Be Able To Get Supplemental Security Income (SSI) at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/11069.html.

Disability

Question:

Is there a time limit on collecting Social Security disability benefits?

Answer:

Your disability benefits will continue as long as your medical condition does not improve and you remain unable to work. We will review your case at regular intervals to make sure you are still disabled. If you are still receiving disability benefits when you reach full retirement age, we will automatically convert them to retirement benefits. Learn more by reading our publication, Disability Benefits, at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10029.html.

Question:

I get Social Security because of a disability. How often will my case be reviewed to determine if I'm still eligible?

Answer:

How often we review your medical condition depends on how severe it is and the likelihood it will improve. Your award notice tells you when you can expect your first review using the following terminology:

- * Medical improvement expected-If your condition is expected to improve within a specific time, your first review will be six to 18 months after you started getting disability benefits.
- * Medical improvement possible-If improvement in your medical condition is possible, your case will be reviewed about every three years.
- * Medical improvement not expected-If your medical condition is unlikely to improve, your case will be reviewed about once every five to seven years.

Medicare

Question:

Will my eligibility for the Extra Help with Medicare prescription drug plan costs be reviewed and, if so, how often?

Answer:

If you get the Extra Help, Social Security may contact you to review your status. This reassessment will ensure you remain eligible for Extra Help and you are receiving all the benefits you deserve. Annually, usually at the end of August, we may send you a form to complete: "Social Security Administration Review of Your Eligibility for Extra

Help." You will have 30 days to complete and return this form. Any necessary adjustments to the Extra Help will be effective in January of the following year. For example, if we send you a review form in August 2012 and you return the form within 30 days, any necessary adjustment to your Extra Help will be effective in January 2013.



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(NAPSA)-The federal government recently announced that up to 250,000 counterfeit airbags may have been used to replace deployed units. These faulty airbags may explode or not deploy at all in the event of a collision.

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♦ 9 6

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♥ K J 7 5 4

♦ K Q J 10

♣ 10 3

EAST

♠ 7 5

♥ 10 9 8 2

♦ A 7 4 3

♣ Q J 6

SOUTH

♠ A K 10 8 3

♥ Q 6

♦ 8 5 2

♣ A 5 4

The bidding:

East South West North

Pass 1 ♠ Pass 3 ♠

Pass 4 ♠

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

The most difficult part of declarer play is to determine how the defenders' cards are divided and where certain key cards are located. Fortunately, there are clues in almost every hand that should enable declarer to achieve this goal and so allow him to attain the maximum result possible.

Consider this case where South failed to take advantage of a significant clue. West led the king of diamonds, which

held, and continued with the ten, won by East with the ace. East returned the ten of hearts, covered by the Q-K-A. South later lost a heart and a club, and so went down one.

On the surface, it seems that South did nothing wrong. He had four losers, and he lost them. But it is not that cut-and-dried. The fact is that South missed his cue when he covered East's ten of hearts with the queen. He should have played the six instead!

Undoubtedly, he played the queen in the hope of finding East with the king. However, this was not a realistic view, since the defenders could have arranged for West to be on lead at trick three instead of East, and would have done so if East had had the king of hearts. Their plays clearly indicated that West had the king.

Had South played the six on the ten, he could have made the contract by taking the ace, drawing trumps, ruffing a diamond in dummy, cashing the A-K of clubs and then leading a heart to the queen.

West would take the king, but, with only hearts and diamonds left, he would be forced to return one or the other. This would allow declarer to ruff in dummy while discarding his remaining club, and the seemingly unmakeable contract would come sailing home.

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Matthew in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who was Herod's information source as to where the Christ Child was to be born? Joseph, Reuben, Micah, Matthew
3. From Luke 2:13, what term describes an army of angels praising God? Heavenly host, Covenant, Spirit multitude, Manoah
4. What group received the angels' announcement of the birth of Jesus? Carpenters, Shepherds, Tentmakers, Masons
5. Where was the young child when the Magi came to visit Him to present gifts? Manger, Under the stars, House, Temple

6. From Matthew 2, to what country did Mary, Joseph and the Baby Jesus flee? Jordan, Syria, Oman, Egypt

ANSWERS:

1. New
2. Micah
3. Heavenly host
4. Shepherds
5. House
6. Egypt

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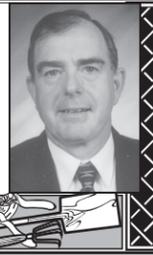
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**Plant
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by
Ken Resch



Garden Resolutions 2013

The New Year always brings with it a flurry of resolutions that too often are not kept beyond January. I want to suggest a few garden resolutions for each of us to incorporate with the 2013 gardening season. If we work hard at keeping these few suggestions, we will go a long way in helping Nature shield herself against the onslaught of our thoughtlessness.

First, recognize that water is precious. Stop washing the car in the family driveway. Though it may be a quaint image from a bygone era, such a practice not only wastes water but all the soapy solution goes down the storm drain and eventually out to our streams and rivers. Car wash facilities recirculate water and clean it up before its eventual discharge into our waterways.

Next, let's stop two outrageous planting practices. When we buy plants they are typically small which makes them affordable. Do not plant them too

close—they will grow! Recently I saw a site that has a row of "cute" spruce trees planted less than five feet apart. Sadly, they should be 25 feet apart and all of these will end up being cut down. Speaking of spruce trees, I urge you to no longer purchase Colorado blue spruce. These conifers are not long-lived in our zone because they are eventually attacked by an incurable viral disease and after about 15 years or so they die. Try Eastern White Pine or Black Hills Spruce instead and give them plenty of growing space.

Finally, I want to suggest the most important resolution to keep in 2013: planting trees. If each reader of this column would take on the mission of seeing that at least one tree was planted on some piece of property, we will help relieve Nature of the overwhelming burden of global warming. Trees are Nature's filtration system and they take in carbon dioxide and give off oxygen so the more trees we plant, the cleaner the air will become. No, we will not clean up our environmental mess completely just by planting trees, but we will help reduce our carbon footprint. Let's each make a concerted effort to do something for the planet this next growing season.

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be set out by 6 a.m. and placed in a shoveled-out, street-side "windrow" notch, not on the sidewalk behind a car, snow pile or windrow.

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Dear Dr. Donohue: Please advise about the Gardasil vaccine. My granddaughter just turned 18 (to date, no sexual activity -- really) and begins college next year. Her doctor is pushing the vaccine for her and for her just-turned-14 sister. I value your common-sense approach to medical issues. What do you recommend?

Answer: Without any hesitation, I recommend wholeheartedly the vaccine for protection against the human papillomavirus. It's the virus that causes cervical cancer. Gardasil protects against the most common strains of cancer-causing papillomavirus, strains 16 and 18. Your granddaughters are not too young. The recommendation suggests that the vaccine be given when a girl is 11 or 12, but it can still be given up to age 26. For best effectiveness, it should be given before a girl has had any sexual encounters. The human papillomavirus is extremely

widespread, and exposure to the virus before the vaccine has been given lessens the vaccine's ability to protect against the virus and the cancer it causes. A second papillomavirus vaccine is also on the market. It's called Cervarix.

Dear Dr. Donohue: I have a question about diabetes. My husband has it. He saw a doctor on a television program who said that taking 2 teaspoons of red vinegar at lunch and dinner lowers your blood sugar a lot. Do you think this is true? Should sweetener be added, or water?

Answer: I believe you're referring to the work of Carol Johnston, Ph.D., a professor in the nutrition department of Arizona State University. She showed that taking 2 tablespoons of vinegar before or during a meal lowers the sudden spike in blood sugar that happens with eating. Such spikes are not good if they are very high and occur often. They disturb blood sugar control. This isn't a cure for diabetes. It might be a help for sugar control. Your husband should not stop using his diabetes medicines or abandon his diabetic diet.



The New Year by Grandma

Happy New Year! A brand new year stretches ahead of us. Three hundred and sixty-five days coming to us one at a time, 24 hours allotted each day. What a wonderful gift!

There is the possibility that we won't get to enjoy all three hundred sixty-five days. There are bound to be some difficulties that will take the shine off some of those days.

One good thing about the New Year is that it will be another chance to improve. Another chance to do all the things right that I did wrong last year. Or how about all the things I intended to do and never seemed to have enough time for?

The end of a year can be a little sad. There are always some

special and happy events that took place in the old year. Some of those would be fun to go back and relive, and even enjoy them more. However, now is a time to look forward. As someone once said, "You are wasting your time watering last years crop.

In this new year, I will try to enjoy more the little things that seemed at the time to be insignificant. I will try to remember that it is the little joys in life that make up our whole well being.

There is a lot of anticipation and pleasure as I take a brand new calendar, flip the pages from month to month looking at the art work for each month. It's like putting up a new piece of art every month. After enjoying the new art experience, the next thing is to fill in the squares with events that I know will be taking place on that particular date. As I fill in activities, I can see this will be another year to be enjoyed and look forward to.

TRIVIA TEST

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. General Knowledge: What is a philigraphist?
2. Television: Which actor played the character of "Fonzie" on "Happy Days"?
3. Liturature: Who wrote the children's book "Matilda"?
4. Geography: What tiny principality lies between Spain and France?
5. Mthology: In Greek mythology, what was the Hydra?
6. Food & Drink: What is muesli?
7. Art: Where is the Uffizi museum?

8. Measurements: What does a kelvin measure?

Answers

1. Someone who collects autographs
2. Henry Winkler
3. Ronald Dahl
4. Andorra
5. A many-headed monster whose heads could grow back if they were cut off
6. Breakfast cereal with fruit and nuts
7. Florence, Italy
8. Temperature

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YESTERDAY AND TODAY

BY MICHAEL GIBSON



This photo taken sometime in the early 1880s shows what little remained of the small wooden hut constructed by the Sac & Fox. If you look closely you can see the primitive wooden cross among the limestone foundation which was placed on top of the hut over his grave. (NGL 2324 Center for Dubuque History, Loras College)

The headline in an article appearing in the May 19, 1880 *Dubuque Daily Times* read "Dubuque Stiff: Supposed to be on Exhibition in Some Eastern Museum." This was a story about the missing remains of Julien Dubuque from his gravesite on the bluff south of town. The reporter had encountered a half-breed, named Max Maman, who was a descendant of Yellow Hair, who knew Julien Dubuque. He said Yellow Hair and a few others witnessed the bones being dug up one night by a few tribal members who had bribed with three gallons of whiskey their fellow friends who were guarding over the grave. They took the bones in a wooden box down river and stopped in what is now Burlington. They became frightened by the sight of some soldiers and left the box of bones in some bushes. The traders who had paid them to steal the bones found the box and supposedly took them to "a New York museum where they are on display as the bones of the first man to ever set foot on Iowa soil." This intriguing story was finally put to rest several

years later when an attempted robbery of the grave was foiled and the bones were found to be in their original location.

Historians believe that when Julien Dubuque died on March 10, 1810, the Meskwaki dug a shallow grave on top of the bluff and covered it with stones. Sometime later his French Canadian friends actually built a wooden hut on a limestone foundation and put a cedar shake roof on it. A wooden cross was constructed and placed on top of the hut. But contrary to this is the remembrance of an Eliphlet Price who (in an article appearing in the *Dubuque Daily Times*, March 16, 1870) accompanied by a man from Missouri named William Gordon, visited the gravesite in June 1834. He described a "vault" or tomb "about eight feet by ten...with stone walls about twelve inches in thickness." He also found a red cedar cross with some crude inscriptions on it carved with a pocket knife. The roof was made of cedar shingles and at the north end of the building, about three feet off the ground, was an opening into the interior about two feet square." He reported there being no door or framework for a door and certainly no lead door could ever have covered this tiny opening as earlier people had reported. Price dug down and found some bones and a skull which he took with him. He kidded Gordon about drinking from the skull of the man who first mined lead in this region. Later he took the skull to some local physicians who told him it was the skull of a female. Price also later recalled he had met with a Scotch Canadian named Duncan Graham who was a scout with the American and British Fur Co. Graham often visited with Dubuque and said after Julien's death several of the Native Americans went inside the vault and died there. One old chief in particular, he found sitting in one of Dubuque's arm chairs, robed in furs and jewelry,

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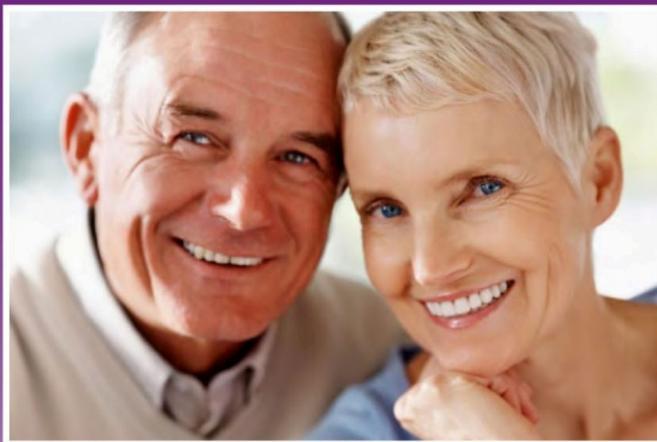
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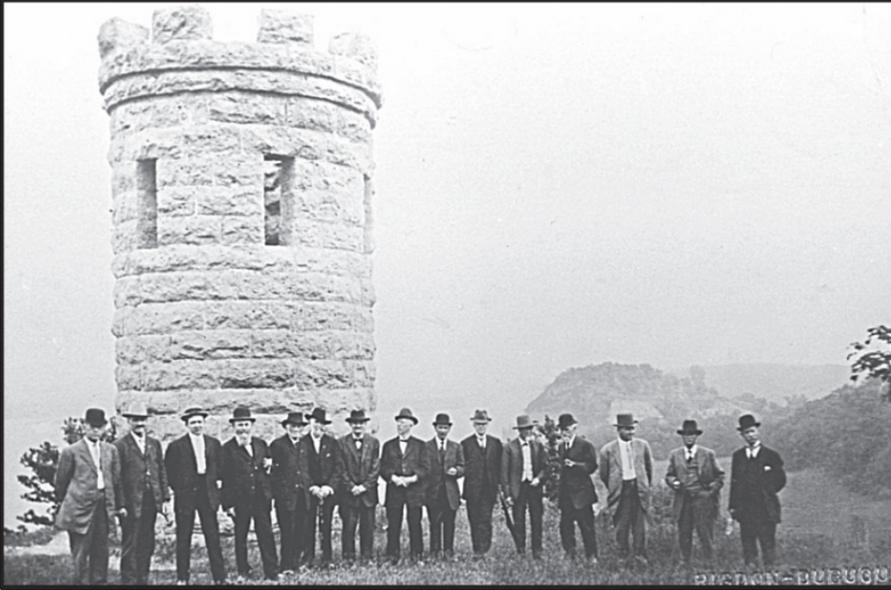


Photo taken during the dedication of the monument on October 31, 1897 showing some of the prominent members of the Early Settlers Association. The fourth from the right with the white goatee is Alexander Simplot, who was the designer of the monument. (THD 933, Center for Dubuque History, Loras College)

frozen to death inside the tomb.

Some of Price's assertions were clarified in a long article to the editor of the *Dubuque Daily Times*; dated March 20, 1870 simply signed "IOWA". At the end of the piece the author states there will be a forthcoming "memoir" published in honor of Julien Dubuque. One might suspect the author to be Richard Herrmann, who many years later wrote a book about Julien Dubuque. This writer claims that there was never a lead door, the wooden roof was never partially covered with lead, and it is likely only a stone foundation and short walls existed and the rest of the structure was likely wood. The wooden cross never had any inscriptions carved on it. He also said there were likely several Native Americans buried in the same grave, including perhaps one woman (thus the female skull Price found), and also one man, thought to be the chieftain Peosta.

By the time of the Civil War, the wooden portion of the structure had weathered away and only some stones and an outline of a tomb were evident. And by some miracle the wooden cross still remained partially intact. (see photo). A visitor to the grave site in May 1883 described the site as consisting of "...a few rocks dispersed around the outside like the ruins of a wall give the grave an appearance not unlike something reared by a Celt for the friendly shelter of his right bower, the pig—in short, it looks like a dilapidated pig sty." At one time there was interest in building a memorial to Julien Dubuque in Jackson Park, but it soon became evident that the bluff overlooking his mining activities and the original burial site had to be the place. Beginning in 1859 the newspapers carried articles about a proposed monument. The *Dubuque Daily Herald* for August 25, 1895 reported at long last the Early Settlers Association announced it would spearhead a fund drive to raise the money for an appropriate

monument. But at this time it was thought a simply design consisting of a shaft, from "forty to seventy-five feet in height, without ornamentation and with a base in keeping with the superstructure." Maybe something like the Washington or the Bunker Hill Monuments would work. Contrary to this design idea, a Chicago artist, proposed a sketch depicting a huge medieval castle-like turret with a flag on top. The cost was to be \$3,700 and the plan was immediately scrapped. On September 29, 1897, the Institute of Science and Arts of Dubuque and the Early Settlers' Association formed the Julien Dubuque Monument Association. Alexander Simplot sketched a design of a circular tower looking somewhat like a castle turret on the Rhine River. The structure would use Galena limestone, twelve feet in diameter and twenty-eight feet high, with a door on the east side made of iron rods and securely locked. The final cost was approximately \$860 and a formal dedication took place on October 31, 1897 with over 2,000 people in attendance. (see photo)

During construction they excavated numerous bones which were taken to Richard Herrmann's museum and skeletons were reconstructed. The shorter skeleton believed to have been Dubuque himself was reburied in a casket made by the Dubuque Cabinet Maker's Association. The other one thought to be that of the chief Peosta was displayed at the Richard Herrmann Museum and later at the Ham House. Finally in 1973, the Dubuque County Historical Society resolved to rebury the bones of Peosta near the Julien Dubuque Monument. They worked with representatives of the Meskwaki tribe from Tama, Iowa who approved of the re-burial and sent representatives to the ceremony. Several bones were thought to be those of a female, possibly those

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Saturday, January 5: @ 1 p.m. Borrowing eBooks on Your iPad. Bring your iPad and library card with you to learn how to borrow eBooks from the library on your iPad.
Monday, January 7: Books for Lunch Book Discussion @ 12 noon. The January selection is *The Shepherd, the Angel, and Walter the Christmas Miracle Dog* by Dave Barry.
Wednesday, January 2: Genealogy Club @ 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, January 8: Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith book discussion series @ 7 p.m. We will read and discuss *The Judge Who Stole Christmas* by Randy Singer
Wednesday, December 12 @ 7 p.m. or Thursday, December 13 @ 2 p.m.: Goodreads class: Come learn about the free website, Goodreads.

Wednesday, January 9: Smart Investing @ Your Library presents “**Suze Orman’s Money Class**” @ 7 p.m. In this film, financial powerhouse Suze Orman delivers her expert take on what actions everyone needs to secure a hopeful and sustainable financial future.

Saturday, January 12: Borrowing eBooks on Your Kindle @ 11 am. Bring your Kindle and library card with you to learn how to borrow eBooks from the library.

Tuesday, January 15 @ 2 p.m. or Wednesday, January 16 @ 6 p.m., Computer Literacy Class: Have your computer skills assessed. This assessment class will determine future computer classes offered by the library. A limited number of laptop computers will be provided or you may bring in your own laptop. Registration is required.

Thursday, January 17: Not Your Average Read: a book discussion series @ 7 p.m. Join Matt Muilenburg, the editor of the Dyersville Commercial, for this book club that focuses on under appreciated novels by award-winning authors. The book for this month is *No Country for Old Men* by Cormac McCarthy. Copies of the book are available to check out from the library.

Saturday, January 19: Borrowing eBooks on Your Nook @ 11 a.m. Bring your Nook and library card with you to learn how to borrow eBooks from the library on your Nook.

Monday, January 21: “Uke It Up” @ Your Library @ 6 p.m. Join this monthly group of ukulele enthusiasts for instruction and practice. Registration requested.

Wednesday, January 23: Smart Investing @ Your Library @ 7 p.m. After today’s in-person orientation, taught by Susan E. Taylor from the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, Family Finance Specialist, participants will take the online course at their own pace. Snow date is January 30.

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The Old Fashioned Christmas
 By Helen Johnson

The Old Fashioned Christmas was held Sunday, Dec. 2 from 1 to 2 p.m. in the historical setting of the Dyer-Botsford Doll Museum in Dyersville. This lovely Victorian home was originally built by the founder of Dyersville, James Dyer, in 1850. Strings Attached, a local band, opened the festivities with carols and other seasonal music.

Then Santa arrived to read *The Night before Christmas* and led singing of traditional Christmas Carols. Hot spiced cider and homemade cookies were enjoyed by all. Visitors were able to tour the museum which was decorated for Christmas and could win beautiful door prizes. This free event was sponsored by the Dyersville Area Historical Society and the Senior Advisory Board of the James Kennedy Public Library.





From The Batt Cave

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Winter 2012

I was picking bananas in my yard at Christmas.

Thanks global warming.

I only thought I was picking bananas. I'd gone short pants in the winter crazy. I couldn't tell where my nose ended and the handkerchief began. My breath froze in the air and fell to the ground with a tinkle as I put tracks in the snow. I ate lunch by catching snowflakes on my tongue. Winter takes the world by storm.

We get our fair share of weather and it's not always fair. We have fairy tale winters-Grimm.

Andrew Wyeth wrote, "I prefer winter and fall, when you feel the bone structure of the landscape—the loneliness of it, the seemingly dead feeling of winter. Something awaits beneath it, the whole story doesn't show."

Others don't feel that way. A winter-intolerant friend from Arizona told me, "Your winters sound as if they would be well worth missing."

I plan to send him some snow just so I could call later and ask him if he got my drift.

We whine about the weather. It builds community spirit. We have winter so we can say things like, "This is nothing compared to the winter of '83." Even those who never complain about the weather complain about winter. We declare that while this may be God's country, He doesn't winter here.

I know that winter is the best time to be in Minnesota. There's more room then. When the wind blows from the north, many Minnesotans are moved-to Texas, Arizona, or Florida.

I like winter. I look upon it as a unique gift. Some people look at winter as a gift they'd like to return without a receipt. They want to sue Mother Nature for being an unfit mother.

Who hasn't met another driver on a nasty winter day when the wind was so strong it blew a pig into a pickle jar, without wondering, "What is that idiot doing driving around on a day like this?"

When it comes to winter, we remember big. I remember it being colder than the attic of an igloo the year I had to clip my toenails and toss them into the stove to keep the chill off my blains because we'd run out of wood. It was so cold that Joan Rivers froze over. I had to put a sweater on the furnace on a day as cold as a walrus's knee. My goosebumps worked three shifts when it was so cold it hurt my feelings. It was colder than the nose of a snowplow seated on a cast iron seat in a tin privy on the shady side of an iceberg. I had to throw another blanket on the fire. I'd set a kettle of boiling water outside. When I checked on it, the water had frozen solid, but the ice was still warm. I had to scrape the window on the microwave. I learned that it's not safe to defrost body parts in a microwave. Facial hair freezes outdoors. You could walk up to someone and slap the moustache clean off his face.

If it's so cold, why don't I winter elsewhere? It wouldn't do any good. It's cold everywhere in Minnesota. Besides, winter brings people together for the warmth.

So much snow fell that it was impossible to see a white cat. When I was a kid, I had to walk five miles through the snow just to be able to walk another five miles through the snow. Rocking is what I do to get my car out of a snowbank after I've finished chipping the dog off a fire hydrant. A neighbor likes snow because it keeps him from having to go places he doesn't want to go. My wife wants me to shovel the walk and the deck. I tell her that I can't find the snow shovel. She tells me that it's in the same place where I hide it every spring. I've got to find a better hiding place for that shovel.

Ice is everywhere, which makes it easy to skip a rock on a lake. It's not the ice that gets you. It's the gravity.

The theater of sneezes lasts long enough that some folks feel the need to rest their faces in the palms of their hands and sigh before saying the winter prayer, "Take me now, Lord."

If we can't stand the winter, do we deserve the spring?

I'd better get. I need to jump-start my wife's cellphone.

I hope you winter well.

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of Potosa, conjectured to be Dubuque's wife. Those remains were returned to the tribe for a separate re-burial.

One mystery still remains, what happened to Julien Dubuque's jawbone? It was missing from his skull. Is it possible that Price in 1834 really took only a jawbone and not the skull he thought was Dubuque's? Or, is the skull thought to be Dubuque's really

that of another person and Price really got away with it? *The mystery behind history.*

If readers have Dubuque related memorabilia (post cards, photographs, letters, diaries, scrapbooks, or other documents and reminiscences to share they may contact Mike Gibson at the Center for Dubuque History, Loras College, (563) 588-7163 or via email: michael.gibson@loras.edu. Your comments about this series would also be welcome.



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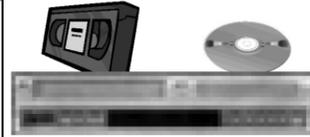
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**Rent A Flick by
Ron Richeson****Moonrise Kingdom**

Writer/director, Wes Anderson's, *Moonrise Kingdom*, (2012) is a quirky tale of first love that radiates so much warmth and charm that it grows on you while you are watching and stays with you long after the film ends.

The setting is a fictional New England island in 1965. Sam and Suzy (newcomers Jared Gilman and Kara Hayward) are two love-struck 12-yr-old pen pals who met the previous summer while Sam was at Scout Camp. Now that Sam has returned for another summer of Scouting, the two have made plans to run away together.

Even though Sam has become a master in survival skills and is completely at home in the woods,

it's obvious from the beginning that this young couple's plans leave a lot to be desired. They are on an island; a major storm is moving in; everyone is searching for them, including Suzy's parents; how far can they go?

The adult cast, which includes Bill Murray, Bruce Willis, Edward Norton, Frances McDormand, and Tilda Swinton, provides the supporting roles. At first it seems strange to see so many grown-ups who are noticeably inept. It takes a while for us to finally realize that Anderson meant it to be that way. Every frame of the movie and its enchanting story arc is to be viewed through the innocence of youth, an innocence that we sadly lose as we age.

This film is rated PG-13.

**An Iowa Legend
David Armbruster**

Born: 1890, died 1985

A landlocked Iowan is probably the last person you would expect to invent a water sport. But Dave Armbruster didn't know that.

Dave invented a new swim stroke, which might amaze those with the notion that all swimming strokes have been known since man first supposedly dripped dry coming out of the primordial soup.

In 1935, working with Jack Seig, one of his swimming students at the University of Iowa, Dave perfected the technique for a new way to manipulate a body through water. He liked the name he gave it best: the dolphin fishtail butterfly swimming stroke. The name butterfly stuck, however, and for the next few decades Dave splashed through some stormy waters getting the swimming world to accept his new stroke.

**Country Legend –
Nashville Star, Jeannie
Seely, “Miss Country Soul”**

Country Legend Jeannie Seely and the Moore & Moore twin sisters with their band will be performing at Mooney Hollow Barn, Music Center & Saloon on Saturday, April 27, 2013. Mooney Hollow is located 35 miles south of Dubuque on Highway 52 in Green Island, Iowa. Barn Doors open at 4 p.m. and Show Doors open at 5:30 p.m. *Country Tradition* will open and start playing at 7 p.m.

Today Jeannie Seely chuckles when she recalls her decision to move to Nashville in the fall of 1965. “It's true,” she says, “that I only had \$50 and a Ford Falcon to my name.” Actually, the blonde, blue-eyed singer brought a lot more than that to Music City. She had natural talent, striking intelligence, and

Coaches around the country with excellent breast stroke swimmers on their teams were against changing swimming rules to allow competition in the new event. But Dave stroked on, and soon, with the help of European swimmers and coaches, the reefs parted. In 1956, the butterfly was finally added to the list of Olympic events.

The time frame of Dave's 42 years as coach of the UI swimmers and divers was a particularly prolific period for other creative Iowans. One of Dave's UI All-American divers, George Nissen, went on to invent the trampoline and the sport of trampolining.

Another cohort of Dave's, Beulah Gundling was the first woman to present a program in the Dolphins annual swimming fraternity show at UI, and was the Iowan who invented swimming as an aquatic art.

Iowan Dave Armbruster was quite a splash in everyone's pool.

Dave was inducted into the International Swimming Hall of Fame.

a strong determination to turn her dreams into reality.

Less than a month after moving, Jeannie was hired by Porter Wagoner as the female singer for his road show and television series. Despite being initially turned down by every record label in town, within six months she was in the studio recording the first of many hit songs. Within a year Jeannie was singing on the world famous Grand Ole Opry stage, where she still performs on a regular basis.

Among many achievements, Jeannie can claim No. 1 country songs as a solo artist, duet partner and songwriter. Her recording of “Don't Touch Me” not only hit the top of the charts, but also earned her the 1966 Grammy Award for the Best Country Vocal Performance by **Jeannie Seely Cont. P. 21**

StRaNgE But True
by Samantha Weaver
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• It was the third president of the United States, Thomas Jefferson, who made the following observation: "The man who reads nothing at all is better educated than the man who reads nothing but newspapers."
• Those who study such things say that a rainbow can't be seen at midday; the optical phenomena are visible only in the morning or in the late afternoon.
• In 1982, a radio station in Allentown, Pa., thought its rating could use a bit of a boost, so it came up with a contest: Three contestants, selected at random, would live on top of one of the station's billboards (portable toilets and sleeping bags were provided). The last

one to give up would be awarded a mobile home. The problem was, nobody wanted to give up. The three men who climbed to the top of the sign at the end of September were still there come March 1983. In that month, one of the contestants was arrested for dealing drugs, but the remaining two stayed aloft until May. Once the freezing winter was finally over, the radio station decided to declare both of the men winners.
• As the end of the year approaches, you might consider an old British tradition of fortune-telling. Light a candle, place it on the floor and jump over it. If the flame does not go out, you're likely to enjoy good luck during the coming year.
• If you're like the average American, you use between 75 and 100 gallons of water every day.



ANTIQUES & COLLECTING
by Larry Cox
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Q: My great-granddad was from Italy and a great opera lover. When he immigrated to the United States, he brought along about three dozen recordings, including two Zonophone discs by Enrico Caruso. I read in one of your recent columns that Caruso's American Victor Real Seal recordings are fairly common and not worth that much. What about the Zonophones?

A: You are correct about the Caruso Red Seals. Most sell in the \$5 to \$25 range, pending on rarity and condition.

Caruso, probably the most legendary classical tenor who ever lived, was born in Naples in 1873. He made his operatic debut in 1894 and after establishing his singing chops

in Europe, arrived in the United States in 1902 where he began a long association with the New York Metropolitan Opera. His first major recording in the U.S. was "Vesti La Glubba" from "I Pagliacci," cut in 1904 at the Victor studios. It charted as the best-selling recording in the country that May.

Caruso made only a few Zonophone recordings. Since they are scarce, they also are expensive. Several have sold in the \$5,000 to \$10,000 range.

Q: We purchased an Atari Super Pong system when it was introduced a number of years ago. It is still in its original box and has four games, instructions and an AC adapter. The model is NO-C-140. How much do you think it is worth? -- Shirley, Sun City West, Ariz.

A: I checked several used electronic shops and monitored the action on eBay, and think your Atari setup would sell in the \$50 to \$75 range.

Jeannie Seely from P. 20
a Female.

With fellow Opry member, Jack Greene, Jeannie scored another No. 1 in 1969 with "Wish I Didn't Have To Miss You." That song launched one of the most popular duos and road shows in country music for over a decade. In 1972, Faron Young took Jeannie's "Leavin' And Sayin' Good-bye" to the No. 1 spot, earning her a BMI Songwriter's Award. Among other artists who have recorded Jeannie's compositions are Norma Jean, Dottie West, Ray Price, Connie Smith, Willie Nelson and Lorrie Morgan.



Jeannie Seely, "Miss Country Soul"

Along with placing records on the Billboard charts for 13 consecutive years, Jeannie also served as a radio disc jockey on her own Armed Forces Network Show, traveled on military tours throughout Europe and Asia, made numerous appear-

ances on national television shows, and published her own book of witticisms, "Pieces Of A Puzzled Mind".

Her deeply moving vocals solidified her reputation as a country torch singer and earned her the nickname of "Miss



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Country Soul," a title still frequently used today. Her 2003 CD, "Life's Highway", reviewed by Country Weekly, "is one of the year's most welcome surprises – a thoughtful inventive acoustic winner that's a much-needed slap in the face for anyone who might have forgotten how Jeannie earned her gig as one of the friendliest faces on the Grand Ole Opry." Country recordings by Grand Ole Opry star, Jeannie Seely, now span six decades with the release of her latest CD

titled "Vintage Country: Old But Treasured" featuring timeless classic hits that Jeannie makes her own. The multi-talented and versatile entertainer is still creating a stir every time she walks on stage!

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Spirituality Of Presence Retreat Days: Commuter – Offering: \$50, includes lunch. Overnight – Offering: \$85, includes overnight stay, cont. breakfast & lunch. Being Present to Self & Body. Jan. 4, 7 p.m. – Jan. 5, 1 p.m. Presenters: Lisa Schmidt LMT & Kay Forkenbrock OSF, LMT - Wellness on Davis. We will explore ways of integrating all aspects of the person for greater balance of mind, body and spirit. Register by noon, Jan. 2.

The Presence of God: A Reflection from the Biblical Tradition BOOK: Journey to the Common Good by Walter Brueggemann (available in the Shalom Gift Shop). Feb. 1, 7 p.m. – Feb. 2, 1 p.m. Nancy Schreck OSF, D.Min.– Scripture, President, Sisters of St. Francis. We will explore ways in which Scripture may impinge upon the faith and life of the believing community as we journey together toward the common good that God desires for the world. Register by noon Jan. 27.

Centering Prayer: Monday, Jan. 21, 7 – 8 p.m. Registration not required.

Story-Catching: The Art of Telling, Writing and Listening to Life's Stories. Mondays, Jan. 21, Feb. 4 & 18 & Mar. 4, 2 – 4 p.m. Instructor/Facilitator: Eileen Miller OSF. In her book Storycatcher, Christina Baldwin says, “Every person is born into life as a blank page – and every person leaves life as a full book...Story is the narrative thread of our experience – not what literally happens, but what we make out of what happens, what we tell each other and what we remember.” We will spend time telling stories and writing stories, mostly our own, but also the stories of others who have influenced us in big or small ways. We will also spend time listening to one another and to those in our daily lives. We will learn to become “storycatchers.” Offering: \$40/series. Includes coffee & cookies. Register by Jan. 16.

Reading That Matters Book Discussion: Facilitator: Eileen Miller OSF. The Book, *In the Sanctuary of Outcasts* by Neil White. Tuesday, Jan. 29, 7 – 8:30 p.m. In the 1990's, Neil White was convicted of fraud for kiting checks and ordered to serve one year in a federal prison. However, he wasn't sent to a typical prison but rather to serve time at a leper colony in mainland America. He writes, “Finally, in a sanctuary for outcasts, I understood the truth. Surrounded by men and women who could not hide their own disfigurement, I could see my own.” Offering \$6. Register by Jan. 28.

Senior To Senior: An Educational Adventure for Seniors by Seniors. Tuesdays, Jan. 29, Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 & March 5 • All programs will be held 2 – 3:30 p.m. Book Discussion: *In the Sanctuary of Outcasts* by Neil White. Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. • Facilitator: Eileen Miller OSF. See description under “Reading That Matters” – above. Offering: \$6/session. Includes coffee & dessert. Register by the Monday before the event.

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It's Movie Time



by
Paula J. Giese



Flight: If you go to this expecting to see an action/thriller, you will be disappointed. Without giving too much away, the movie is about an airline pilot (Denzel Washington) who skillfully crash lands a plane while he is on booze and drugs. Washington is found to be the only pilot capable of landing a plane in this type of situation. But he is what you would call a functioning alcoholic. He is considered a hero until the information about being drunk comes out. Of course they want to blame the crash on someone and not the airline company. ***1/2

Wreck it Ralph: This movie has the voice talent of John C. Reilly as Ralph. For 30 years Ralph has lived in a video game where he is the bad guy because he is always wrecking everything in the game. Mr. Fix-it always comes along and magically puts everything back together. Ralph decides to leave the game and find another game to be in. Along the way he gets sidetracked and ends up in a game that is featured all in a Candyland and sweet atmosphere. He meets up with a little girl who keeps blinking in and out who is referred to as a "glitch." She wants to become a race car driver. I thought it was a great movie. ****

Skyfall: This has an all-star cast for the 50th 007 thriller. Daniel Craig, Javier Barden, Judi Dench as "M", Ralph Fiennes, and Albert Finney all appear in this movie. I thought most of the action was in the beginning and end. To fill in-between they clued you in on some of the history of James Bond. The bad guy was played by Barden and he was great. ****

Lincoln: There are several Oscar winning actors/actresses in this film telling the story of Abraham Lincoln. Daniel Day Lewis looks so much like the former president you think you are actually watching him. You can't find any better acting anywhere. Sally Field, Tommy Lee Jones, and Joseph Gordon Levitt "Looper". The story takes place towards the end of the civil war and to push congress to end slavery. I thought the movie was rather long, but it is powerful and sure to be nominated for some Oscars. ***1/2

Pitch Perfect: I can't really tell you who is in this movie, but it was better than I thought. It was a little crude in some parts, but funny as well. It is about a college where they have two or three choirs which sing a cappella. The one men's group is very popular and wins a lot. When a young freshman start college there, she is not sure about anything. Her father is a professor at the college, but her heart is in composing music and putting sound together. Her and her father made a deal and she gives it gives it a try. The music in this film was excellent. ***

Life of Pi: This was an excellent motion picture. I did not read the book, but the film was just great. I think everyone should see it. The story starts out with a man, who originally came from India, who sits down with another man and tells him his incredible journey he had as a teenager. The man said it is all right to write a book about his journey. It starts out in India with his birth, his mother and father and older brother. The family owns a small exotic zoo in which they decide to move to Canada and find passage on a freight liner. After the storm hits, Pi (the one son) and the tiger end up on a journey on a small lifeboat across a large ocean. I was pleasantly surprised how good this movie was. *****

Rise of the Guardians: This is an animated movie the whole family can enjoy. The film consists of the voice talents of Alec Baldwin, Chris Pine, Hugh Jackman, Jude Law, and Isla Fisher. The story is about the guardians: Santa Claus, Easter Bunny, Tooth Fairy, and the Sandman are asked by the Man in the Moon to stop the Boogeyman from bringing all the children of the world bad dreams. Once he brings them bad dreams, the children forget about all the fairy tales they believed in. Jack Frost comes into the picture and is asked to help stop the Boogeyman. It was an intense film, but magical. ***1/2

Red Dawn: A very young cast of characters star in this movie including; Chris Hemsworth, Josh Peck, Josh Hutcherson, and Adrienne Palicki. After the city of Seattle, and the world, is taken over by some evil foreigners, a group of teenagers decide to fight back. They do have the skills needed and one of the boy's brother is a skilled Marine, who ends up leading them. It has a lot of action going on. It wasn't a great movie, but it wasn't bad either. I was entertained. **1/2

Killing them Softly: This movie had a fabulous cast, but the movie went nowhere. Brad Pitt, Richard Jenkins, James Gandolfini, and Ray Liotta are all in this film. This is a film, based off the previews, you would think has a lot of action. Sadly, the film was far from action packed. It's pretty much a movie with a modern day gangster story about some guys who rip off a big card gambling outfit and end up on the wrong end of a gun. There was a lot of foul language throughout the film, which lived up to its "R" rating. If you like gangster type movies you may enjoy this film; I on the other hand did not. **



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**Bald Eagle Watch,
Grand River Center,
Saturday, January 19**
9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Children's Activities:
9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Exhibitors and Vendors:
9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Bald Eagle Watching:
at Lock and Dam #11
9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

David Stokes program:
9:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m., and 3 p.m.
Illinois Raptor Center

program:

11 a.m., 1:45 p.m.

This day-long event is a celebration of the Bald Eagle. Several programs throughout the day will feature the Bald Eagle and other raptors. There are activities for children. A variety of exhibitors offer everything from nature books to nature photographs. Spotting scopes at Lock and Dam 11 provide an opportunity to see Bald Eagles in their natural setting.

Jenny Lawler Ammon, Naturalist. 563.556.6745. www.dubuquecounty.org

**The Finley Hospital – Finley Wellness & Support Groups
(Reservations for all classes may be made by calling
563-589-4899 or 1-800-589-4899 unless otherwise stated)**

• To ensure that we do not mistakenly cancel classes that appear to not meet our minimum numbers, please register at least 3 days prior to the start of class.

Zumba: Six-week sessions beginning week of January 7. The Finley Babka Wellness Center. Instructor: Tina Reeder, Certified Zumba Instructor. (Tuesday, January 8 at 6 p.m.) and (Wednesday, January 9 at 10:30 a.m.)

Instructor: Jennifer Oney-Hooven, Certified Zumba Instructor. Thursday, January 10 at 6 p.m.

Cost: \$50. (Attend twice weekly for \$95). This 45 minute program fuses Latin rhythms and easy-to-follow moves to create a total body work out. Please wear low tread shoes. Register by calling Tina at 563-589-2563.

Strength Training for Women: Babka Wellness Center – 1550 University Avenue. 12 week sessions beginning the week of January 7. Cost: (\$120 once per week); (\$240 twice per week). 50-minute classes are being offered: (Monday, at 8 a.m.), (Tuesday, at 5:30 p.m.), (Wednesday at 9 a.m. or 5:30 p.m.) (Saturday at 8 a.m.) Strength training is an effective way to combat the age-related decline in muscle mass, bone density and metabolism. Learn proper strength training techniques along with a total body workout using dumb bells and kettle bells. You must be able to get up and down off the floor. Bring a thick towel. Although a moderate strength training program is safe, if you are 55 or older or have any medical conditions you should check with your doctor before starting any exercise program. Please register by calling Jolene at 563-557-2729. Class size is limited.

Back to Basic Core Work: Six-week session beginning: (Monday, January 7 at 5:30 p.m.), (Wednesday, January 9 at 11:30 a.m.), Babka Wellness Center. Cost: \$50. Instructor, Tina Reeder, Licensed Massage Therapist. This 45-minute workout uses a fitness ball designed to strengthen your core muscles (abs and low back). Must be able to get up and down from the floor. Please bring clean and dry athletic shoes, towel, and water. Call Tina at 563-589-2563 to make your reservation.

Wednesday at the Movies: Wednesday, January 9. The Finley Kehl Diabetes Center. 1 – 3 p.m. Cost: \$2. Movie: *The Devil Wears Prada* – As assistant to impossibly demanding fashion editor, Miranda Priestly (Meryl Streep), young Andy Sachs (Anne Hathaway) has landed a job that a million girls would die for. Unfortunately her heaven-sent appointment as Miranda's personal whipping girl just might be the death of her! Come watch a matinee with friends and enjoy a snack. For senior audiences, age 60 years and older. Class size: 24. You must pre-register to attend movie by going online to www.finleyhospital.org or call 563-589-4899.

Pilates: 6 week session beginning Monday, January 14, 2013. Intermediate 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. The Babka Wellness Center. Instructor: Jean Daoud, Certified Pilates Instructor. Cost: \$50 for 6-wk session. Pilates is a mind/body exercise coordinating breath to movement. It promotes strength, flexibility, balance and alignment. Register online at www.finleyhospital.org under Classes & Events.

Diabetes Express: (Provided by the Finley Kehl Diabetes Center Certified Diabetes Educators). Wednesday, January 16, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. The Finley Kehl Diabetes Center. Cost: \$3. Learn about type 2 diabetes and the importance of healthy blood sugar control and strategies to protect future health. Learn the basic components of diabetes treatment: monitoring, meal planning, physical activity, medication and weight loss. Adult individuals with type 2 diabetes and a support person are welcome to attend. Please register online at <http://activenet.active.com/dbqparkrec> or call Leisure Services at 563-589-4263 for information.

Family Birthing Classes: For more information to register for classes call 583-BABY (583-2229).

Breast Feeding Class: 6:30 to 9 p.m. Most current information on how to have a great breast-feeding experience. Tuesday, January 8.

Sibling Tour: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Get big brothers and sisters ready for the new baby. Monday, January 7.

Grandparents Class: 7 to 9 p.m. Current baby care practices discussed. Monday, January 21.

Childbirth Education (Lamaze): 6:30 to 9 p.m. Get ready for the birth of your baby. Wednesday, March 20 to April 3, baby care April 10.

All Day Childbirth Education: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Four-week lamaze class covered in one day. Saturday, January 5.

Family Birthing Suites Tour: 7:30 p.m. Care of you and your baby while you are a patient at Finley. Tuesday, January 8.



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 by David Uffington
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Why Your Mortgage Might be Denied

If your plan for the New Year involves getting ready to buy a home, you'll need to make sure all your plans don't fall apart at the last minute with a mortgage application that gets turned down. Go Banking Rates has compiled a list of 10 reasons that mortgages get rejected.

1. Too many jobs: If you've recently changed jobs or fields, have been unemployed or haven't worked consistently in the past two years, your employment history could be a problem. Some lenders insist that you've kept the same job, unless you were promoted.
2. Child support and alimony: If you don't disclose that you make these kind of payments, the lender can find out just by calling the courthouse. These payments are considered debts and must be reported on your application.
3. New applications for credit: If you apply for new credit between the time you fill out a mortgage application and are approved for the mortgage, you'll likely have problems.
4. Closing old credit accounts: Your credit utilization ratios

and availability changes the minute you close an account. That skews the numbers lenders look at in deciding whether to give you a loan. Don't touch old accounts.

5. Borrowing money for the down payment: If money has been given to you, don't try to claim that you saved it. The lender will find out, and the loan will likely be denied.
6. Late dues by condo tenants: If you're trying to buy a condo, the Federal Housing Administration insists that not more than 15 percent of the tenants be more than 60 days late in paying dues.
7. The loan is too small: If you're seeking a loan of \$50,000 or less, you might be denied a mortgage. Making a small loan is not worth it to a lender.
8. Paying an old debt: If you had a debt go to collections long ago, and it rolled off your credit report because of the passing of time, paying that debt now will reactivate it. Your lender will see it as recent negative activity.
9. Differing FICO scores: If you send away for your FICO score, it's not likely that the lender will get the same number from its sources.
10. Secondary market: If your loan is to be sold on the secondary market, the qualification standards will be stricter.

For more information, go online to GoBankingRates.com.

New Concert In The New Year

Kristin Hill, director of marketing and community relations DSO

Happy New Year from all of us at the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra! We hope the New Year brings you much joy and happiness. One way to find joy is to attend a live performance of the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra.

On Friday, February 1, the orchestra is taking over The Mississippi Moon Bar for a night of movie hits from the 80s including "Eye of the Tiger" from *Rocky III*, "Old Time Rock and Roll" from *Risky Business*, "Take My Breath Away" from *Top Gun*, and various songs from the movies *Footloose* and *The Blues Brothers*. Guest vocalists and a rock band will join the orchestra on stage, as well as dancers from the cast of Club 84. It's going to be a party!

Tickets range from \$15 - \$35. They are on sale at www.diamondjo.com, the Diamond Jo Casino's Diamond Club or by calling (563) 690-4800. The Mississippi Moon Bar is age restricted, so you must be 21 years or older to attend.

Then on Saturday, February 16 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, February 17 at 2:00 p.m., the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra gets back to the classics with an All-Beethoven program at Five Flags Theater.

We start with the Leonore Overture No. 3. Beethoven wrote four overtures for his only opera *Fidelio* and this overture is regarded as his greatest. We then welcome pianist and Beethoven expert Mark Mazullo as the featured soloist in his Fourth Piano Concerto, a tender and intimate piece. After intermission the orchestra performs the famed Fifth Symphony. Da da da, dum! It's first four notes—known worldwide—have come to represent greatness in music!

Tickets for the February classics concerts are available through the Five Flags Box Office or online at www.Dubuque-Symphony.org.

Please call the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra Office if you have any questions: (563) 557-1677. Thank you for your patronage and support, and, again, Happy New Year!

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Memories Passed On (As told to my grandson Maury)

by Jerry Eberhardt

The Best Of Jerry

The "Balcony Shot"! Some time ago, Maury, Grandpa was visiting with an old friend whom I hadn't seen for a long time. We were reminiscing (ask mom or dad to explain this word) quite a bit when he kiddingly reminded me of the last time I played basketball for Loras college because he was at that game. (This brought up another memory unrelated to baseball which I thought you might enjoy). Maury, this is what happened.

In my senior year at Loras college I was a third string guard on the basketball team. I wasn't that good in basketball and felt very fortunate to have made the squad. I sat at "the end of the bench" and our coach Vince Dowd, wisely, never put me in the game when it was on the line. Let's just say, Maury, when Grandpa got in the game it was a "symbol" the opposition was defeated!

Our last game of the year was at home against Coe College of Cedar Rapids, and coach anticipated an easy win. In the locker room before the game he gave me the honor of being in the starting lineup because I was a senior. I was having fun all year but immediately became nervous because of never starting a game! (Here I should explain, Maury, that the Loras field house does not have an upper deck, but a balcony to which one of the bankboards is attached. Some balcony seats are directly behind but above this bankboard). Our tall starting center, "Looper" Lynch, knew he'd get the ball from the starting tip-off because the Coe center was



Jerry Eberhardt with grandson, Maury Cohn

about a foot shorter! He told me, as soon as I see the ball tossed up by the referee, to streak for the basket 'cause he'd tip it to our forward, "Knipper", who would feed it to me under the basket and we'd start the game with a lay-up for two points.

Well, Maury, everything went exactly that way except when I went to make the lay-up shot, I was so nervous, the ball went up past the bankboard into the balcony into a lady's lap!! Immediately the crowd reacted to this "bizarre shot" as only a packed house can do! Our center, "Looper", was doubled up laughing in the center of the floor! They had to call a referee's time out to get the ball back from the balcony and it took a couple minutes to resume play again! I remember stealing a sheepish-half-way-afraid-to-look glance at coach Dowd and can still see him "shaking his head!"

Incidentally, Maury, coach left me in the entire first half and I did make two long shots for four points. (The three point shot didn't exist yet). I don't remember the score of the game except we won by a big margin. Hope you enjoyed this basketball memory. Much love, Grandpa

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SPORTS QUIZ

By Chris Richcreek

1. Name the only stadium that is currently home to an NFL team and a major-league baseball team.
2. Who played more games with one team: Brooks Robinson or Robin Yount?
3. Name the first team in college football history to be voted a unanimous No. 1 in both the media and coaches polls.
4. When was the last time the Hawks were in the NBA Finals?
5. Name the last time an NHL team won the Stanley Cup while having no player reach the 60-point mark during the regular season.
6. What was the last vehicle other than a Toyota to win a NASCAR Truck series race at

Daytona International Speedway?

7. Name the last married woman to win a singles title at Wimbledon.

Answers

1. The Oakland Coliseum (As and Raiders).
2. Robinson played 2,896 games with the Orioles; Yount played 2,856 games with the Brewers.
3. Southern Cal, in 1972.
4. In 1961, the Hawks (then in St. Louis) lost to Boston in five games.
5. The New Jersey Devils in 2003.
6. Mark Martin drove a Ford to victory at Daytona in 2006.
7. Chris Evert Lloyd, in 1981.



Sports Comment

by Gary Dolphin

V.P. **usbank** – Business Development
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From Where I Sit

It's been fun watching the Iowa basketball team grow this season, literally and figuratively. Victories over solid Iowa State and Northern Iowa teams have the Hawkeyes on a little bit of a roll now and they need to build confidence and momentum with Indiana scheduled to hit Iowa City on New Year's Eve for the start of the Big Ten season. In Saturday's victory over UNI, junior Devin Marble pumped in 30 points including 14-19 free throws. Marble is becoming that complete player, hitting long range jump shots or able to post up smaller guards down low near the basket. He is extremely difficult to game plan for and now he has so many more good players around him, a luxury that Matt Gatens never enjoyed.

Dubuquer Eric May had an outstanding floor game against the Panthers with a basket and SEVEN assists! The senior co-captain has endorsed his new role of coming off the bench with that athletic energy of his, as has other former starters like Zach McCabe and Melsahn Basabe. First year players, Mike Gesell, Adam Woodbury and Anthony Clemens have had their moments while sophomore Aaron White has been money nearly every night out.

The Hawkeyes can now go 9-10 players deep. What a lux-

ury because a deep basketball team is a much fresher team at the end of a grueling 40 minutes. That's paramount in the rugged Big Ten conference and what a league it is this year. If Iowa can somehow manage a 500 record in the conference, it'll be a near cinch to make it's first NCAA tourney in six years. Stay tuned.

Iowa football handed out it's season awards at the team banquet, December 15. All Big Ten selections, center, James Ferentz, and defensive back, Micah Hyde, were named co-winners of the Roy J. Carver Most Valuable Player award. Ferentz also was awarded the coveted "Iron Hawk" trophy. Ferentz and linebacker, James Morris, were named co-recipients of the Coach Hayden Fry "Extra Heartbeat" award. Offensive lineman, Matt Tobin, of Worthington was named winner of the Brett Greenwood award. Named after the former star defensive back, the Greenwood honor goes to a former walk on student athlete who embodies the values and behavior that Greenwood exhibited.

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- When overtaking a snowplow, be aware that snowplows often travel only 5-35 mph. When you spot a snowplow ahead, slow down to allow for any difference in speed.
- Snowplows may need to stop or take evasive action to avoid stranded vehicles. Maintain a safe following distance and be prepared to stop, if necessary.
- Be cautious if you see an area of blowing snow- it could conceal a snowplow.
- If you must pass a snowplow, be sure that you have clear vision ahead before passing. Allow plenty of room when passing a snowplow, and don't cut in too quickly. The blade

extends several feet in front of the truck. On two lane roads, operators will pull over periodically to let following vehicles pass.

- On multi-lane roads, watch for plows operating in the left lane.
- Don't travel beside a snowplow. When encountering a large drift or packed snow, the impact can move the truck sideways.
- Don't attempt to pass a snowplow when visibility is severely reduced.
- Never pass a snowplow on the right. Many snowplows are equipped with a blade that extends to the right. This "wingblade" may be hidden by snow and difficult to see.
- Move as far away from the centerline of the pavement as you safely can when meeting a snow plow on a two-lane road.
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Mac Mavericks Macintosh User Group

by Steve Hafenbredl, The Macintosh Reporter

The mission of the Mac Maverick Users Group is to provide software support, hardware support and new product information. User group members help each other with Macintosh computer and iOS issues.

Google recently rolled out an iOS 5 and higher version of Google Maps to the App Store. Apple had quashed an earlier version of Google Maps for iOS 6 because it lacked features that were provided for Android users.

The free Maps application implements Google local search, voice-guided turn-by-turn navigation, public transit directions, and Street View. It seems that Google was forced into bringing the iOS version up to par. This gives Apple a popular al-

ternative while its own Maps application continues to grow and improve.

The Mac Maverick users group holds meetings once a month on a Saturday morning. Check out the calendar of events on our web site: www.macmaverick.org. Annual dues are \$20 and cover everyone in your household. For more information about the user group contact Steve Hafenbredl by e-mail at stevehaf@mchsi.com or by phone at (563) 583-7342.

SENIOR NEWS LINE by Matilda Charles

What Keeps Us Young?

A recent British study showed how those over 50 can stay young. American seniors aren't so different, are we? Maybe we can learn a few things from their list of preferred activities across the pond.

Food was big on the list. Trying new food, and eating sweets, spicy dishes and chocolate were all favored. To that I would add trying a new restaurant.

Reading books that are challenging – perhaps exploring new authors or another genre entirely – offers brain stretching.

Beating younger relatives at games and socializing with grownup children and grandkids, perhaps at a first-run movie in the theater, helps us learn what they're thinking and talking about.

Playing practical jokes and watching stand-up comedy

points to the necessity of finding things to laugh about.

Exercise wasn't left off the list. Yoga, Zumba, salsa dancing and cycling were favorites.

One of the most popular ways to stay young, according to the survey, is to surf the Web, as it combines many favorite activities. That means owning electronic gadgets -- computers, e-readers like Kindle and iPhones (including apps) and iPads. These are all ways to connect and stay front and center in what's going on in the world.

Facebook can be a fun way to keep in touch online, as long as we're aware of the dangers and use the right settings to control who accesses the page. Twitter can be challenging for those brave souls who can handle the flow of messages.

One very notable characteristic of those in the survey: 40 percent considered themselves to be rebellious. We're not afraid to think out of the box, are we?

"Ghosts of Manhattan" By Douglas Brunt (Simon & Schuster, \$24) Reviewed by Rose McAllister Croke

"Ghosts of Manhattan" marks the auspicious fiction debut of Douglas Brunt, an author who readily falls into the "one to watch" category. The book's protagonist, Nick Farmer, is a married 35-year-old bond trader at the now-defunct Bear Stearns. Set in 2005 against the rich -- both literal and figurative -- backdrop of Wall Street before the economic debacle of 2008, Nick is at a crossroads, both professionally and personally.

He has grown increasingly disenchanted with the lucrative profession that nets him a seven-figure salary, and his high-priced lifestyle of excess and extravagant entertaining has caused a sizable rift in his

marriage. When a nerdy analyst approaches him with apocalyptic research that indicates Bear Stearns' high-flying mortgage-backed securities trading is essentially unsustainable, Nick is faced with an ethical dilemma -- the kind he has spent a lifetime avoiding.

"Ghosts of Manhattan" is an eloquent story about the choices we make with our lives. From Nick's relationships with his wife and those with whom he works to the golden handcuffs that keep him chained to his unfulfilling career, Nick struggles to find a way out of the unhappy situation in which he finds himself ... before it's too late.

"Ghosts of Manhattan" pulls back the curtain on Wall Street in the days before the financial collapse and gives an insider's look at how it all came tumbling down.

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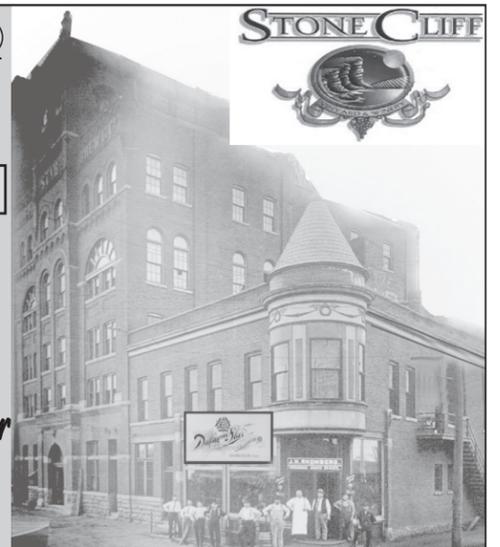
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I'm Dreaming of a Walshes Christmas By Susan L. Lemon, Marketing Manager, Sunset Park Place

It was an inopportune moment of sentimental contemplation. As I paralleled into a tight parking space, my back tire bumped the curb and plunged me into unexpected melancholy, recalling an earlier November day. Like a toddler pleading to see Santa, 13th & Central beckoned me to slip down Memory Lane for a sweet visit.

I had come to do business at the Dubuque City Court House. I knew that the Walsh Stores across the street had closed their doors a dozen years past, but secretly I longed to sneak around the corner just long enough to finish the last of my Christmas shopping from the shelves of my once-favorite retail store.

Not so very long ago, I would have been thanking my lucky dimes for an available parking space, I mused. This quiet corner would have been bustling with shoppers full of holiday cheer! I could almost hear the crunch of boots shuffling on the well-packed snow and the hearty ringing of Salvation Army bells from the double-door entry.

The well-loved discount complex known as "Walshes" was a hometown general store, popular with Dubuque residents for nearly fifty years. The cozy-close shelving hugged the aisles from both sides. One could easily connect with an old acquaintance or make a new friend while sharing the same department niche. The floor was ramped in places to accommodate extensions between the original Bell Block building and the Ziepprecht building.

Long, wide-railed staircases connected the main floor with the lower and upper levels lending grandeur to an otherwise mundane shopping experience.

It was at Walshes that I found the cross-stitch stamped pillowcases I wished to place under the tree for Grandma. I would run down and pick up the latest toys on the boys' wish list or stocking stuffers for the baby. There was no need to Google search. No shipping charges to calculate! The Walsh Stores carried absolutely everything to pull-off a perfect Christmas.

Walshes visitors could easily locate nearly every necessary item on their list. Smiling clerks, like Santa's helpers were generous with hospitality. Large windows at the front checkout allowed just enough natural light to orient each shopper of the extent of their day's bargains. A nativity scene reminded shoppers of the real reason for the season.

While decking the halls of our home last week, I ran across a package of replacement bulbs for the Christmas tree, at least fifteen years old. The faded price sticker read "Walsh Stores, 59 cents." Such nostalgia sends me!

I decided to swap moth-ball memories of a simpler time with the residents of Sunset Park Place Retirement Community where I work. Their enthusiastic reminiscing stirred sentiments worth sharing:

I learned that the Walsh building originally housed Genz's ... a general store marketing a base line of staple groceries. Picture this: "Smoked summer sausage hanging from the ceiling, fresh eggs and produce from local farms, bulk flour and sugar for sale." (Dorothy Liddle)

"I remember gathering black walnuts in the shell and selling them to Walshes for three cents per pound!" Word got around fast when there were walnuts on the shelves, especially for baking over the holidays. (Buck LeGrand)

"When I shopped at Walshes, I went out with loads of stuff.

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Laugh A Lot

Psychiatry students were in their Emotional Extremes class. "Let's set some parameters," the professor said. "What's the opposite of joy?" he asked one student.

"Sadness," he replied.

"The opposite of depression?" he asked another student

"Elation," he replied.

"The opposite of woe?" the prof asked a young woman from Texas.

The Texan replied, "Sir, I believe that would be giddyup."

A panda walks into a bar, sits down and orders a sandwich. He eats, pulls out a gun and shoots the waiter dead. As the panda stands up to go, the bartender shouts, "Hey! Where are you going? You just shot my waiter and you didn't pay for the food."

The panda yells back, "Hey, man, I'm a panda. Look it up!"

The bartender opens his dictionary to panda: "A tree-climbing mammal of Asian origin, characterized by distinct black and white coloring. Eats shoots and leaves."

Six guys are playing poker. After losing \$500 on one hand,

Smith clutches his chest and topples over, dead, at the table. To decide who's going to tell his wife, his buddies draw straws. Anderson picks the short one.

"Break it to her gently," they all urge.

"Leave it to me," he says

When Smith's wife comes to the door, Anderson says, "Your husband just lost \$500 playing cards."

"How much?" the wife yells, eyes blazing.

"Tell him to drop dead!"

Proudly showing off his new apartment to a new friend late one night, the drunk led the way to the bedroom, where there was a big brass gong.

"What's that brass gong for?" asked the friend.

"It's not a gong. It's a talking clock," the drunk replied.

"A talking clock?" How's it work?"

"Watch this," said the drunk. He took a hammer, gave the gong an ear-shattering pound and waited. Someone on the other side of the wall screamed,

"Hey, you jerk. It's 3:00 in the morning!"

I saw two dogs walk over to a parking meter. One said to the other, "How do you like that? Pay toilets."

Walshes from P. 30

I purchased quilting thread at least once a week. I always bought nice glass salt and pepper sets from Walshes for the children at Christmas time." (Eleanor Cook)

"Mom would buy clothes for us for Christmas at Walshes." (C. J. Adams)

"Walshes was convenient. I purchased fabric for quilts, school supplies, and socks, shoes and clothes for the kids. We didn't have much money so I was happy to shop there." (Mary Balsamo)

"Walshes was a good place to buy new shoes." (Cyril Habel)

"I got my first nylon knee socks from Walshes when I was nine or ten. All the girls in

school had them. It was a big deal." (Elaine Adams)

"I still wear a favorite black and white sweater that I bought at Walshes forty-five years ago." (Mary Lou Feltes)

"At Christmas time when I was a kid, my folks bought all our toys at Walshes. I remember a four-wheeled wagon." (Bud Slaats)

Young and old, memories are the magic that warms our hearts. Structures may come and go and the passing years may alter the horizon of our lives, but what we cherish the most; the love of family, friends and the Christ of Christmas remain. There are some things that even Father Time cannot tarnish!

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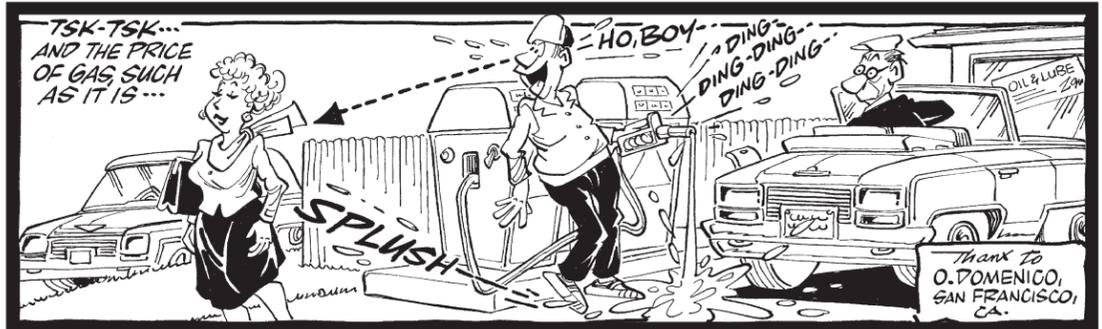
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THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME BY AL SCADUTO



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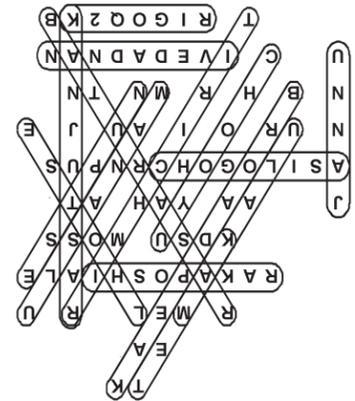
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