

West Plains Housing Authority

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Live in harmony with one another; be compassionate and humble.



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"Memorial Day is just one day out of the year. But we should always be grateful for our freedoms because of the sacrifices made by others."



WPHA Offices will be closed Monday, May 26, for the Memorial Day Holiday.



Yearly Public Housing Updates

The yearly Public Hearing/RAB Meeting for West Plains Housing Authority residents will be held on Thursday, May 29, 2025 at 10:00. This meeting will be held at the Walnut Grove Tower in the Brill Community Room.

All residents of West Plains Housing Authority properties are invited to attend this yearly meeting. Current HUD policy updates will be discussed.

WPHA Staff

Mandy, Executive Director / HR
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Stacie, Housing Specialist
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Sandra, Section 8 Coordinator
Nina, Financial Operations Specialist
Jerry, Resident Initiative Coordinator

Jerry's Journal

Greetings Residents!

Wow! May has quickly appeared. School will be out for summer, the first holiday of the summer season is quickly arriving and vacations will be starting. Where is the year going?

Whatever is on your upcoming agenda, be safe and enjoy your time with family and friends. Life is precious. Take time to enjoy your blessings everyday.

If you need help with paperwork, have questions or any issues that concern you, please come by or call the main office (417-256-6663) and choose extension 207. If I do not answer, please leave your name and number and I will call you to schedule an appointment. My email address is wpharic@gmail.com. I am here to help YOU! There is never a silly question.

Jerry



A big "WELCOME" to our new residents! We are glad to have you with us. We look forward to getting to know you.

Celebrate with Southern Care & Comfort

Southern Care & Comfort Home Care continues to offer monthly birthday parties and social events to the residents. Mark your calendars and make plans to attend. Amanda would love to see you!

May birthday parties will be held on Monday, May 5th. Walnut Grove celebrates at 12:00 and South Tower will celebrate at 1:30.

The May social event will be "Liberty and Lemonade", held on Tuesday, May 20th at 12:00 for Walnut Grove and 1:30 for South Tower.

Remind your neighbors and come on down!



Breakfast with Becca

Assist AMERICA Home Care will be back serving breakfast again! This will take place on Wednesday, May 7th.

Breakfast will be served to Walnut Grove residents at 9:00 in the Brill Community Room and South Tower residents will be served at 10:30 in the South Tower Community Room.

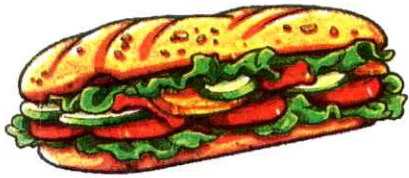
Come down to show your appreciation for Rebecca and her staff (not to mention enjoying some great food, as well).



Just a friendly reminder...

DO NOT ask other residents or their visitors to borrow money. Extra money is hard to come by for all of us. Plan ahead for your needs (and wants).

Care givers are here to service the clients they are assigned to. Please do not take someone else's time by stopping them with your questions as they come through the lobby.



Sub Sandwich Luncheon

Walnut Grove residents will be having a tenant-sponsored sub sandwich luncheon. All Walnut Grove residents are invited to attend. This event will be held in the Brill Community Room on Wednesday, May 21st, at 12:00.

Residents attending will need to bring their own drinks. There will be a sign-up list posted for a head count.

Mark this on your calendar and make plans to attend! If you have questions, see Shirley LaClair.

Ham and Noodle Casserole

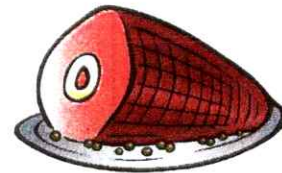
4 cups uncooked egg noodles
2 cups diced cooked ham
2 cups shredded Swiss cheese
1 (10.5 ounce) can condensed cream of chicken soup
1 onion, finely chopped
½ cup sour cream
salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
¼ cup dry bread crumbs

Gather all ingredients. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Grease a 2-quart casserole. Fill a large pot with lightly salted water and bring to a rapid boil. Cook egg noodles in the boiling water for 3 minutes, stirring

occasionally. Remove from the heat, cover, and let stand until tender, about 10 minutes. Drain.

Transfer noodles to a large bowl; stir in ham, Swiss cheese, condensed soup, onion, and sour cream. Season with salt and pepper. Spoon into the prepared casserole dish and sprinkle bread crumbs over the top.

Bake in the preheated oven until casserole is bubbling and bread crumbs are browned, about 40 minutes.



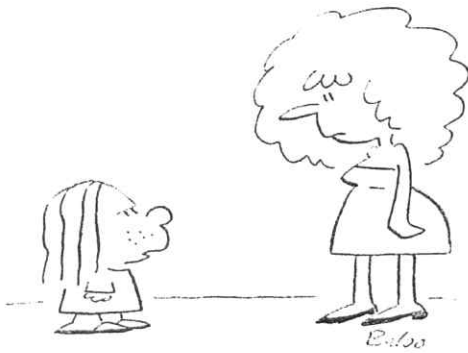
Apple Salad

2 Honeycrisp apples, cored and chopped
2 celery stalks, chopped
1 cup red grapes, halved
½ cup pecans, chopped
½ cup dried cranberries
¼ cup mayonnaise
2 Tablespoons honey
1 Tablespoon lemon juice
Salt and pepper to taste

Combine ingredients: In a large bowl, combine the chopped apples, celery, grapes, pecans and dried cranberries. Make dressing: In a small bowl, whisk together the mayonnaise, honey, lemon juice, salt and pepper.

Toss salad: Pour the dressing over the salad and toss to coat evenly. Serve immediately or refrigerate for later.





"I'm *not* being a tattletale! —
I'm being a reliable source!"

Pros of being an adult: I can eat 28 cookies and no one can stop me.

Cons of being an adult: I ate 28 cookies. No one stopped me, and now I feel awful.



My kids laugh because they think I am crazy. I laugh because they don't know it's hereditary.

**70% OF PEOPLE
ARE STUPID.**

I'M OBVIOUSLY WITH THE OTHER 40%.

Why did the girl get fired from the M & M factory?

She kept throwing out all the W's.



STAY AWAY FROM THE
EARLY BIRD SPECIAL.



My wife said, "That's the fourth time you've gone back for dessert!

Doesn't it embarrass you?"

I said, "No, I keep telling them it is for you."



Your resume says that you're quick in mathematics. What's 17×19 ?

35



That's not even close

But it was quick



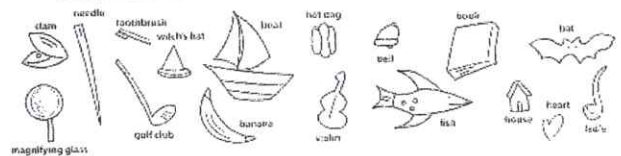
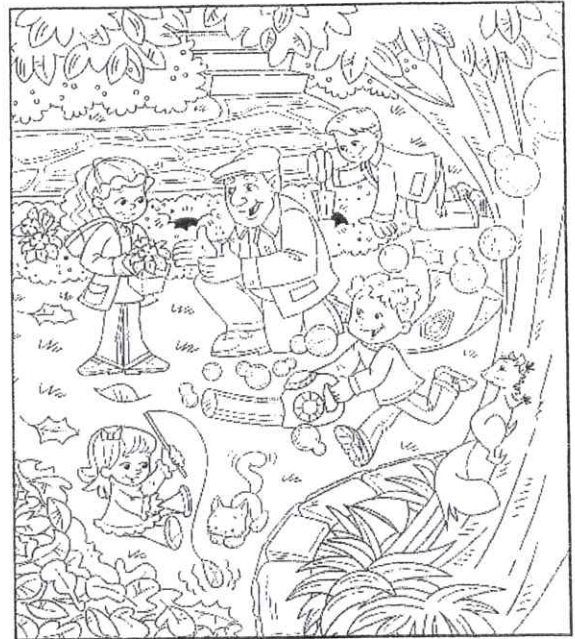
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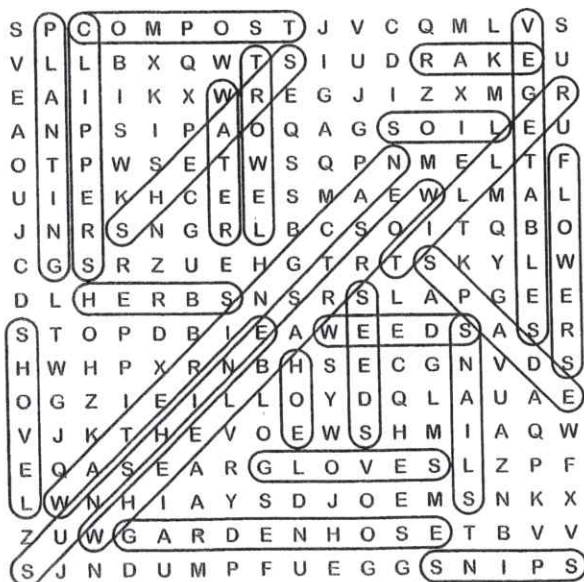
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Grandpa's Garden



Puzzle Answers

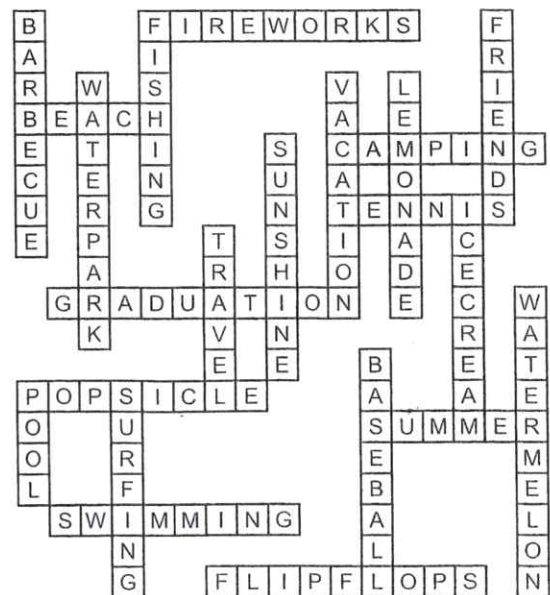
Solution for
Gardening Word Search



School's OUT!

Crossword

SOLUTION



Gardening

Word Search Puzzle



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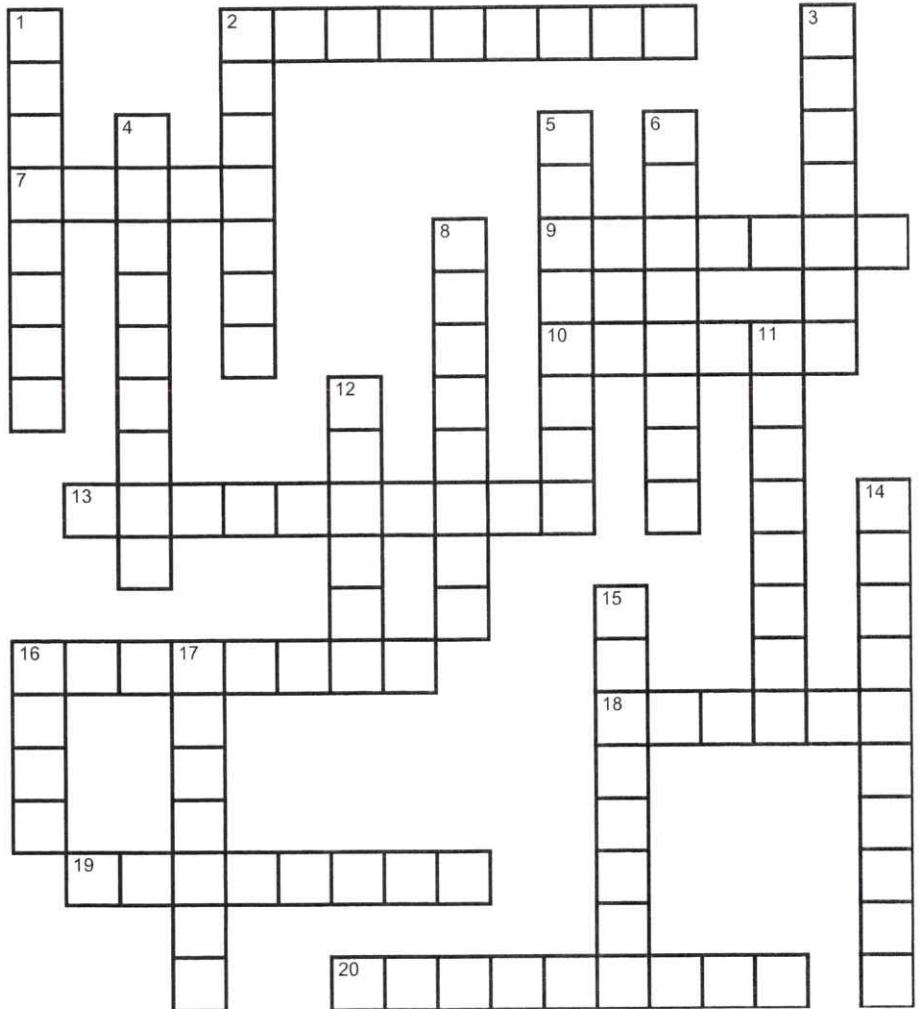
School's OUT!

across

2. July Fourth entertainment in the sky.
7. Sandy area by the ocean.
9. Outdoor activity of staying over-night in a tent.
10. Sport played with a racket and ball.
13. Ceremony marking the completion of school.
16. Frozen treat on a stick.
18. Warmest season of the year.
19. Doing the crawl or the backstroke.
20. Casual footwear worn in summer.

DOWN

1. Outdoor cooking event with grilled food.
2. Sport using a pole, a line and a lure.
3. People you enjoy spending time with.
4. Summer recreation area with slides.
5. Time off from work or school.
6. Refreshing citrus drink.



8. Solar light and warmth.

11. Cold, sweet frozen dessert.

12. Journey to different places.

14. Large fruit, green on the outside and red on the inside.

15. Sport played on a diamond.

16. Water-filled area for swimming.

17. Riding waves on a board.



Barbecue

Baseball

Beach

Camping

Fireworks

Fishing

Flip Flops

Friends

Graduation

Ice Cream

Lemonade

Pool

Popsicle

Summer

Sunshine

Surfing

Swimming

Tennis

Travel

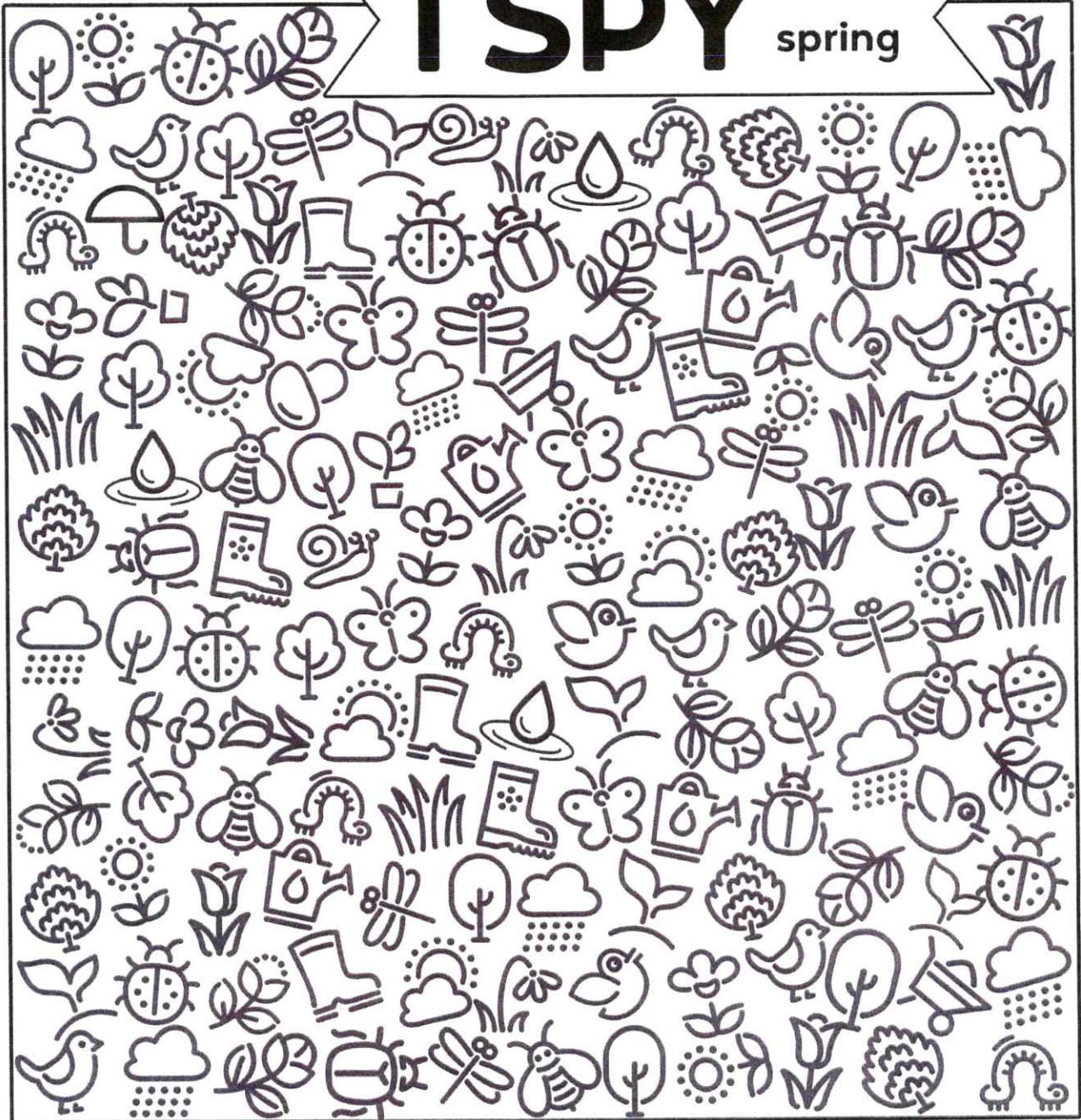
Vacation

Watermelon

Waterpark

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