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West Plains Housing Authority

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



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***WPHA Offices will be closed
Tuesday, November 11, for
Veterans Day.**

***WPHA Offices will be closed
Wednesday, Thursday and
Friday, November 26, 27 and
28, for the Thanksgiving
holiday.**

Veterans Day

On Veterans Day we honor all,
Who answered to a service call.
Soldiers young, and soldiers old,
Fought for freedom, brave and bold.
Some have lived, while others died,
And all of them deserve our pride.
We're proud of all the soldiers who,
Kept thinking of red, white and blue.
They fought for us and all our rights,
They fought through many days and
nights.
And though we may not know each
name,
We thank ALL veterans just the same.



Jerry's Journal

Greetings Residents!

Happy Thanksgiving!!

Ready or not, here come the holidays. I love this time of year and always like to take extra time to be thankful.

We often take life's little blessings for granted. There is always something to be thankful for.

In this crazy world, "*Be someone else's sunshine. Be the reason someone smiles today.*"

Life is precious. Take time to enjoy your blessings **each** and **every** day.

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.

Keep SMILING!

Jerry

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Sandra, Section 8 Coordinator
Nina, Financial Operations Specialist
Jerry, Resident Initiative Coordinator

Heaven on Earth Cake

- 1 (14 ounce) purchased angel food cake, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 (21 ounce) can cherry pie filling, divided
- 1 (3.4 ounce) package vanilla instant pudding mix
- 1 ½ cups whole milk or half-and-half
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 (8 ounce) container whipped topping, Thawed

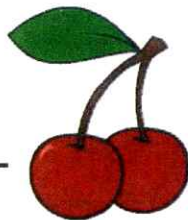
Sliced almonds, optional

Place half of angel food cake pieces in the bottom of a deep 8 x 8-inch or 9 x 9-inch baking dish in an even layer. Spread 1 cup cherry pie filling over top of cake. Top with remaining cake pieces in an even layer.

Whisk together vanilla pudding mix, milk, and sour cream in a large bowl until slightly thickened and smooth, about 1 minute.

Pour pudding over top of cake and spread evenly.

Spread thawed whipped topping over pudding layer. Dot with remaining 1 cup cherry pie filling. Using a toothpick or spoon, swoop and swirl pie filling into whipped topping. Refrigerate, uncovered, for at least 8 hours or up to 12 hours. Garnish with sliced almonds.



“Cooking is not difficult. Everyone has taste, even if they don’t realize it. Even if you’re not a great chef, there’s nothing to stop you understanding the difference between what tastes good and what doesn’t.”

– Gerard Depardieu

“Cooking is like painting or writing a song. Just as there are only so many notes or colors, there are only so many flavors—it’s how you combine them that sets you apart.”

– Wolfgang Puck

Slow Cooker Fried Apples

- 6 large tart apples, peeled, cored and sliced
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 1 Tablespoon ground cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg
- ½ cup butter, cut into small pieces

Place sliced apples in the slow cooker.

In a small bowl, combine granulated sugar, brown sugar, cinnamon and nutmeg.

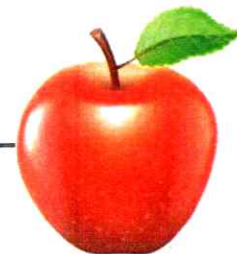
Sprinkle this mixture over the apples in the slow cooker, tossing to ensure the apples are well-coated.

Dot the apples with small pieces of butter to melt into the mixture during cooking.

Cover and set the slow cooker to low. Cook for 4 hours, or until the apples are soft and the sauce is bubbly.

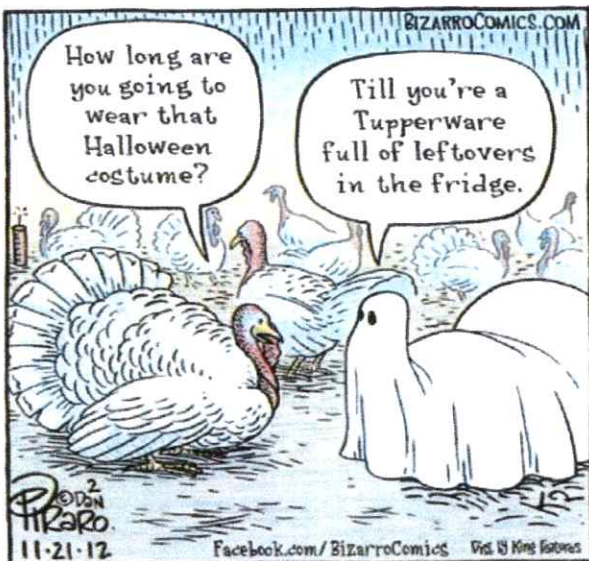
Stir the apples thoroughly before serving to evenly coat them in the syrup. Serve warm.

**For a richer flavor, add a teaspoon of vanilla extract to the apples before cooking.



I've reached the age where I can't tell if I sustained an injury or that's just how I am now.

Ladies, you can tell a lot about a man by how dogs react to him. For example, if the police K9 is biting him, he may not be ideal.



Dropped my daughter off at daycare, and she says, "Mommy, yesterday Miss Kita bit me." I am like, "WHO IS MISS KITA?!" She says, "Miss Kita...you know her." Now I am walking in there like a concerned parent AND a detective—"Which one of y'all is Miss Kita biting my child?" Her teacher says, "Uh, we don't have a Miss Kita...but a mosquito did bite her yesterday." I looked at my daughter like, GIRL, YOU BETTER PRONOUNCE THOSE WORDS RIGHT BEFORE I END UP ON THE NEWS.

**WHAT IF.. ONE DAY GOOGLE WAS DELETED
AND WE COULDN'T GOOGLE WHAT
HAPPENED TO GOOGLE...**



**Remember those days
when people used to write
diaries and got mad when
someone read them...**

**Now they put everything
on facebook and get mad
when people don't read
them...**

**ALL OF MY FITNESS GOALS ARE
WITHIN REACH.
UNFORTUNATELY, SO ARE THE
SNACKS.**

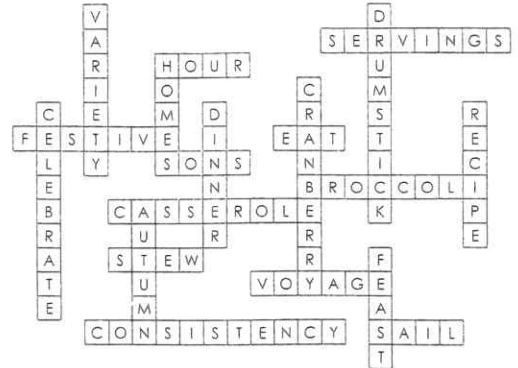


Puzzle Answers



Thanksgiving Puzzle

Below the blank puzzle grid is a list of words. Place the words in the correct place on the grid. Tip: Start with letter sizes that have the fewest words. So if there are only 2 words with 7 letters and 5 words with 4 letters, try placing the 7 letter words first.



3 Letters	5 Letters	7 Letters	cranberry
eat	feast	festive	drumstick
	homes	variety	celebrate
4 Letters	6 Letters	8 Letters	11 Letters
sons	dinner	broccoli	consistency
stew	autumn	servings	
sail	voyage		
hour	recipe	9 Letters	
		casserole	

Thanksgiving

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FOOTBALL

BREAD

GRAVY

PUMPKIN PIE

TURKEY

PILGRIMS

CRANBERRY

CELEBRATION

BEANS

STUFFING

YAMS

ROLLS

NOVEMBER

GATHER

BLESSINGS

MAYFLOWER

BUTTER

SQUASH

POTATOES

FAMILY

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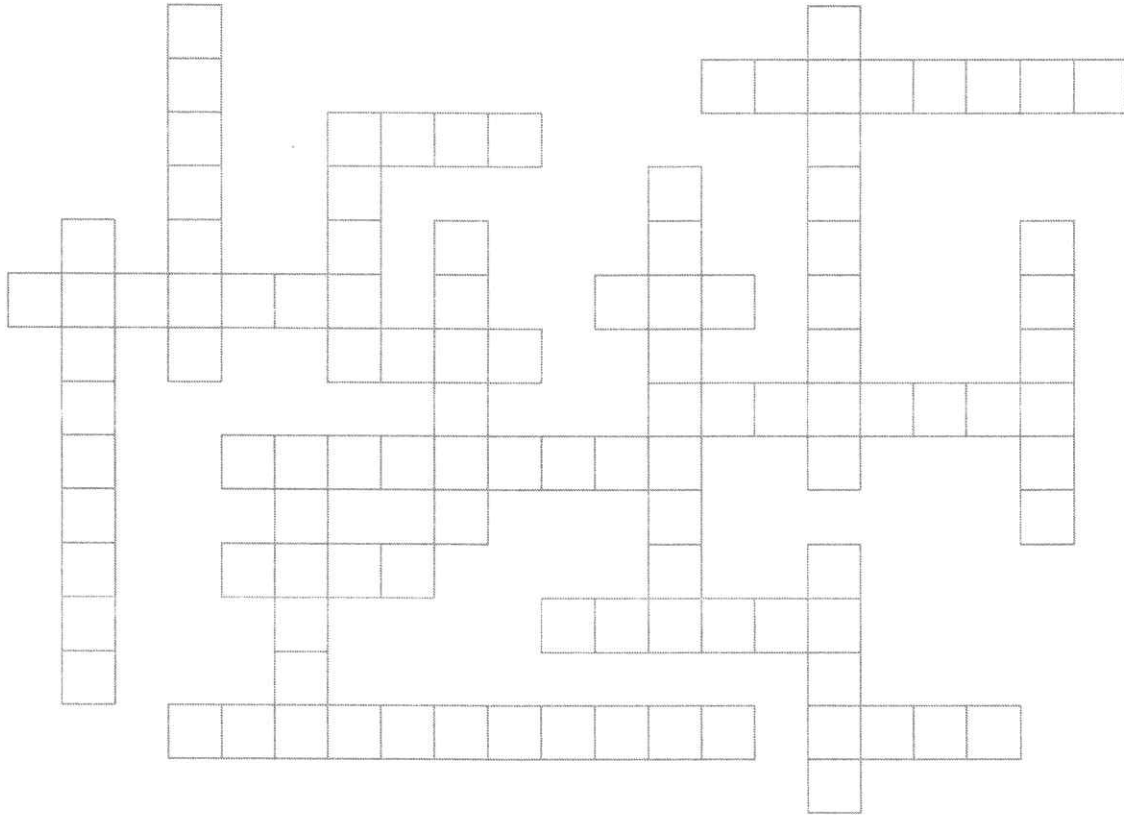
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