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Summer is in Full Swing and Filled with Fireworks, Festivals and Ice Cream



National Ice Cream month is to be enjoyed by all!

The sky is blue, the sun is shining, and Pittsburgh is about to celebrate our independence with a very loud and spectacular bang!

The 4th of July celebration will be at Point State Park on Monday 1-10 p.m. starting with Flag Raising followed by family friendly activities including music, dancing and more until 9:30 p.m. when the fireworks are scheduled to dazzle all!

Check your borough or library for your neighborhood festivities and fireworks schedule.

In 1984, President Ronald Reagan designated July as National Ice Cream Month and the third Sunday of the month as National Ice Cream Day. This year that falls on Sunday, July 17. In addition to having the best fireworks display around, we also have some of the best ice cream to be had.

A delicious and close to home place for ice cream is Antney's at the corner of Poplar and Noblestown in Green Tree. They are open daily from 5-9 p.m. They make 16 homemade ice cream flavors daily and other than chocolate, strawberry and vanilla, the flavors vary constantly but are always good! They also make and scoop homemade frozen yogurt, 2 no-fat/no sugar yogurts and malts and floats.

Another close to home spot is Scoops in Carnegie on Main Street. They have cups, cones, sundaes, and shakes.

Play a round of mini-golf at Forsythe in Carnegie and then get an "out of this world" Ice Cream Sandwich! They offer six different homemade cookies. You then choose what flavor ice cream you want. They build it and roll the sides in a topping of your choice! Unbeatable!

A newer place on the North Side, Happy Day Dessert Factory, has many homemade flavors of hard ice cream that is made fresh daily along with a variety of flavors of Water Ice, Soft Custard, Frozen Yogurt and more.

Millie's Homemade Ice cream has expanded rapidly over the last few years and now you can get some delicious homemade ice cream in Market Square, Shadyside, South Fayette and Kennywood. They also have their ice cream for sale by the pint at various places, including Giant Eagle. Info at millieshomemade.com.

Visit Treat in Shadyside and enjoy some locally made ice cream by Betsy's in a little different way by combining it with an authentic Belgian Liege Waffle. Pick your ice cream flavor and have it served over the warm waffle.

Betsy's Ice Cream is located in Mt. Lebanon. They have walk in ice cream sales, an ice cream truck for events and online ordering! Info betstysicecream.com.

If you would like some rolled ice cream, try NatuRoll Creamery in Lawrenceville. If you've never tried this, it's worth it just to watch the fun and it's delicious, too!

Ice Cream can be found in nearly every neighborhood. There's Scoops on Beverly in Mt. Lebanon, the famous Klavon's in the Strip, the historic Page Dairy Mart on East Carson in the South Side, DiFore's Ice Cream Delite in Mt. Washington, Sarris Chocolate in Canonsburg, the classic Dave & Andy's in Oakland, Sugar and Spice in Baldwin, Remember When in Robinson, and delicious homemade gelato at Mercurio's in Shadyside. I'm sure there are many more that I haven't mentioned.

Make an ice cream bucket list and hit them all this month.

I say summer, you say festival! Summer! Festival! Summer! Festival!

The 10th Annual Deutschtown Music Festival will take place on



Jenn Wertz performing.

~photo courtesy of Whitney Lerch Photography

Pittsburgh's Northside on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, July 22 - July 24. This free, three-day festival will feature over 400 bands on eleven outdoor stages and 20 indoor venues. There will be a beer garden next to the main stage, family-friendly programming during the daytime, with over 30 food trucks, children's activities, an artists' market, and other activities to supplement the music. Throughout the day and night, two free shuttles with multiple stops in the Northside and North Shore will be available for the over 20,000 people that are expected to attend. Numerous bars and clubs will participate throughout the night, allowing

one to visit many different venues within a short walking distance. Sunday features a Gospel Brunch at the Park Stage and additional music on the main Foreland St. stage.

This non-profit, all-volunteer event has remained steadfast in its goal of fostering economic and community development in the central Northside and also supporting and promoting Pittsburgh's vibrant live music scene. Info at deutschtownmusicfestival.com.

Pittsburgh Beerfest will be held July 29- 30 at Stage AE and will include sampling more than 150 local and craft brews, seltzers, and cocktails as well as live local music, local food trucks and more. Proceeds benefit Animal Rescue Partners to support regional and local animal rescue efforts. Info pittsburghbeerfest.com.

The Saturday Night Market returns for the summer in Market Square, featuring free weekly concerts on the Pittsburgh City Paper Stage, artisan goods from some of Pittsburgh's most creative independent vendors selling crafts, fashion, art, jewelry, photography, and small batch food. Visitors will discover a different mix of vendors, styles, and products each week including goods from returning favorites and emerging new talents.



Picklesburgh is back and will be held July 15-17, a free, three-day, culinary celebration that goes beyond the dill pickle to include international dishes and handcrafted foods from local chefs that feature house-cured pickled vegetables; informative how-to demonstrations which highlight the farm-to-table movement and the rising popularity of DIY canning; fun

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MUSINGS...ABOVE THE CLOUDS



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What you focus on grows.
Old adage

Look Up

I looked up last week....up to a corner of my high ceilinged living room. And saw a great big cobweb. I don't look up much. My ceilings are high and I am short. But once I'd seen that hairy cobweb, I was amazed to find that the more I looked, the more I found!

Jen is a coaching client who is irritated by some of her husband's behaviors. Last week she stopped mid-sentence, suddenly noticing, "I've been so focused on (husband's irritating behaviors) that I've made Joe into someone he's not."

What we Focus on

Emotions take up residence in us and color our whole world. We look for and find evidence to confirm our view. I worry about this in our current environment. The news reports magnifies the negative – and there's a lot of it – climate change, COVID, gun violence, political partisanship to the extreme. All real. And yet. And yet, there's so much more.

Above the Clouds

Recently I soared out of grey Pittsburgh on a plane to Chicago. We quickly got above the clouds. Below the plane, clouds were soft and fluffy, like a down comforter. And above us – all blue sky. Beautiful blue sky.

At the airport I got into people watching, which I've missed during this pandemic. I saw so many things. Socks are out. People are good to each other. Parents were enjoying their children. An older man brought his wife a cup of coffee; they exchanged affectionate smiles that spoke vol-

umes. None of this was newsworthy. All of it was heartening.

It is useful to remember

·-even when we're seeing cobwebs everywhere, the rest of the house is clean – warm and welcoming.

·-there is more to Jen's husband than what's irritating her, and

·-there's always more to the situation than what we're currently focused on.

Above the clouds, through it all, is blue sky. Focus on blue sky and it will grow.

COACHING QUESTIONS/TIPS:

1. Where might you be missing cobwebs in your life, because you never look up?
2. With whom might you be painting a picture that isn't quite true?
3. How can you focus more above the clouds to grow the blue sky in your life?

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The Fishin' Hole



Sam Hall

Beach fishing 2022 is in the books for us at the Fishin' Hole, but for you it may still be very much in your future. So, this month we will give you the benefit of our experience to, hopefully, enhance your chance at successful beach fishing this season.

Equipment for shore fishing is remarkably inexpensive and, if you care for it, very durable. Do not let worry about finances factor into your decision of whether or not to fish at the ocean. For about thirty dollars you can have everything you need to fish from the shore. That includes purchasing a rod and reel and all the terminal tackle you will need. This is much less expensive than freshwater

fishing. Bonus, the terminal tackle lasts forever and snags from the beach are negligible. We fished every day of the entire week we were there and never once had to change a hook or sinker.

For about 100 pennies each you can purchase a "high-low" rig at any bait shop along with a couple of pyramid sinkers. I use a one ounce sinker in calm water and a two ounce sinker in rough water. The sinker clips onto the rig at the bottom to anchor your line in the sand. The rig provides space for two hooks. I use size four on leader hooks. You can buy bait like frozen squid and bloodworms. Both work well but the worms are expensive, and hard to find. What works better than both of these is free and so easy to get, it makes it difficult to know when to stop fishing. Right at your feet, in the surf as the wave recedes back into the water, just plunge your hand into the sand and scoop a handful of sand up. In your hand you will likely find at least one digger crab. Some people call these sand fleas or mole crabs. You won't see it at first but as you sift away the sand you'll see them. Place that on your hook. smaller is better, so they say and only one per hook. You are ready to fish.

We used them exclusively all last week and caught dozens of Spot, Croaker, and Roundhead Sea Mulletts.

I have had so many thoughts about how to explain to people what a bite feels like when you are fishing in the ocean. So many people walk by and ask, "The water is moving so much and the currents are so strong sometimes, how can you tell when it is a fish pulling and not just the ocean?"

I find in my mind and in their eyes when they hear it, the best explanation is this. Yes, the water is pulling on the line at the surface and the current is doing the same underneath the water, plus the wind is moving everything around as well, almost constantly. But if you think of a piano, then the wind, and the waves, and the currents would all feel like the bottom ten keys on a piano. Very low and almost steady feeling. There is no mistaking the bite of a fish, no matter how large. It immediately sends vibrations to your pole and fingertips that feel like the top end of the piano sounds. Rapid, light and alive in a way that the other vibrations are not. Trust me, once you get a bite, you will never wonder about it again.

When to fish is an issue that the executive committee spent a lot of time working on this week. What is best? High tide, or low tide, or, rising tide or falling tide? The general consensus from the internet seems to be a rising tide, specifically the two hours leading up to high tide. This seems way more to be opinion than anything based in facts. For now, I stand on the side of fish whenever you want, or, at least until it is time to help with dinner. Send me your pictures and stories to samdhall@comcast.net.



A digger crab was the bait of choice for fishing last week.

Community News and Events

On July 14 starting at 11 a.m. the **Green Tree Garden Club** will have a meeting and special program in the Green Tree Municipal Garden, weather permitting. This program is entitled, "Water Conservation and Rain Gardens," presented by Roxanne Swan, a member of the Audubon Society of Western Pennsylvania. In case of inclement weather, this will take place in the Green Tree Fire Hall. Reservations are required by July 7 by writing to gardenclubgt@gmail.com.

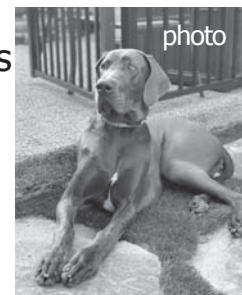
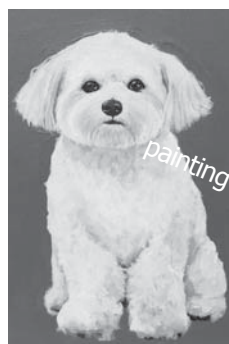
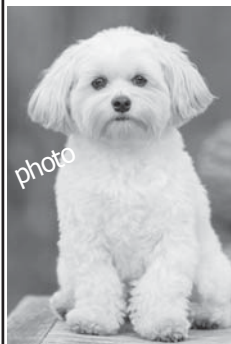
On Wednesday, July 20, they will travel to **Old Economy Village and Stonebridge Farm Gardens**, both in Ambridge. Carpools will depart from the Green Tree Park 'n Ride at 9:15 a.m. for a tour of Old Economy that begins at 10 a.m. Cost of tour is \$9.00 (pre-pay) and a box lunch can be provided by pre-order and pre-pay at a price to be determined. Reservations are a must by writing to gardenclubgt@gmail.com by July 7.

Birding 101 is the topic of the presentation by Chris Kubiak of the Audubon Society of Western Pennsylvania. This will take place at our away meeting at the Beechwood Farms Nature Reserve, 614 Dorseyville Road, on August 11. Carpooling, departure time and lunch information is forthcoming. Reservations by contacting gardenclubgt@gmail.com by August 4.

If you would be interested in joining the Green Tree Garden Club, please contact Membership Chairperson Roni Conard, at 717.747.6565 or President Kevin Maurer at 412.922.8816 for more information. You can follow the club on Facebook, or visit the website at greentreeboro.com/gardenclub.php

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Notable Events that have Occurred on July Fourth

Residents of the United States spend July 4th celebrating the country's independence. Though July 4 has served as America's Independence Day for centuries, many other significant and memorable events have taken place on the fourth day of July.

1776: The United States Declaration of Independence is adopted by the Second Continental Congress. July 4 actually marks the day the final wording of the declaration, which had been submitted on July 2, was approved.

1826: On the fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of the Independence, the second and third presidents of the United States, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, respectively, pass away. Both men were instrumental to American success during the American Revolution.

1831: Samuel Francis Smith's "America (My Country, 'Tis of Thee)" is performed in public for the first time. The performance took place during a children's Independence Day celebration in Boston.

1845: Naturalist and essayist Henry David Thoreau moves into a cabin on Walden Pond in Concord, Massachusetts. His experiences there would later be detailed in "Walden Pond."

1913: President Woodrow Wilson addresses veterans of the American Civil War at a reunion marking the fiftieth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. More than 50,000 veterans of the war, including roughly 9,000 Confederate veterans, attend the reunion.

1939: New York Yankees first baseman Lou Gehrig announces his retirement to a crowd at Yankee Stadium, informing them he feels he is "the luckiest man on the face of the earth." Gehrig had recently been diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, a disease that would later be widely referred to as "Lou Gehrig's disease."

1983: Twenty-four-year old New York Yankees left-hander Dave Righetti throws a no-hitter against the rival Boston Red Sox at Yankee Stadium. Righetti struck seven of the first nine batters he faced and even overcame a delay in the eighth inning when umpire Steve Palermo suffered a knee injury. Outspoken Yankees owner George Steinbrenner did not attend the game, as he was in Florida celebrating his 53rd birthday with family.

2004: The cornerstone of the Freedom Tower is laid on the World Trade Center site in New York City. Now known as One World Trade Center, the building formally opened in November 2014.

Summer Fireworks, Festivals and Ice Cream

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pickle themed merchandise, live music, a "Li'l Gherkins" area with free kids' activities, and even a competitive pickle juice drinking contest. In addition, this year the National Comedy Center and Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership team up to premier "Pickles & Giggles Comedy Showcase." Info at picklesburgh.com.

The Carnegie Arts Walk will be held Sat., July 9, 12 - 6 p.m. where you will discover local, regional, and national visual and performing artists, and the vibrant Carnegie arts scene with over 5 Galleries hosting openings and receptions Friday, July 8, 5 -

9 p.m. during the monthly Main Street Crawl and will be open to the public for the event on Saturday. Enjoy bands and musicians performing on two stages, glass blowing demonstrations, art making activities, local food trucks and more. Info at visitcarnegie.com/artswalk.

Whether you are trying some ice cream, walking around enjoying pickles, music and art or just basking in the glory that is summer in the 'burgh, I hope time slows down a bit and allows you to get the most out of this summer!

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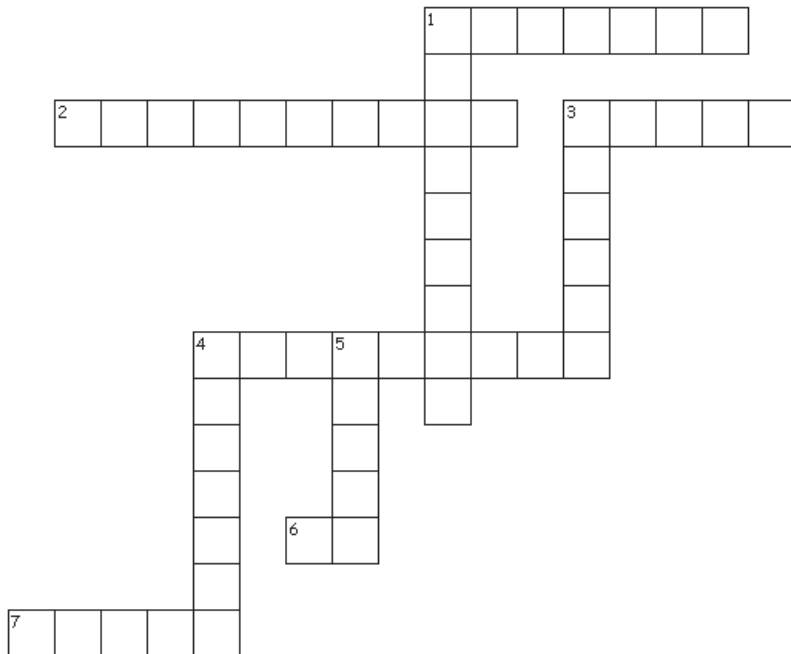


Fun and Games for Kids

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Summer Crossword Puzzle



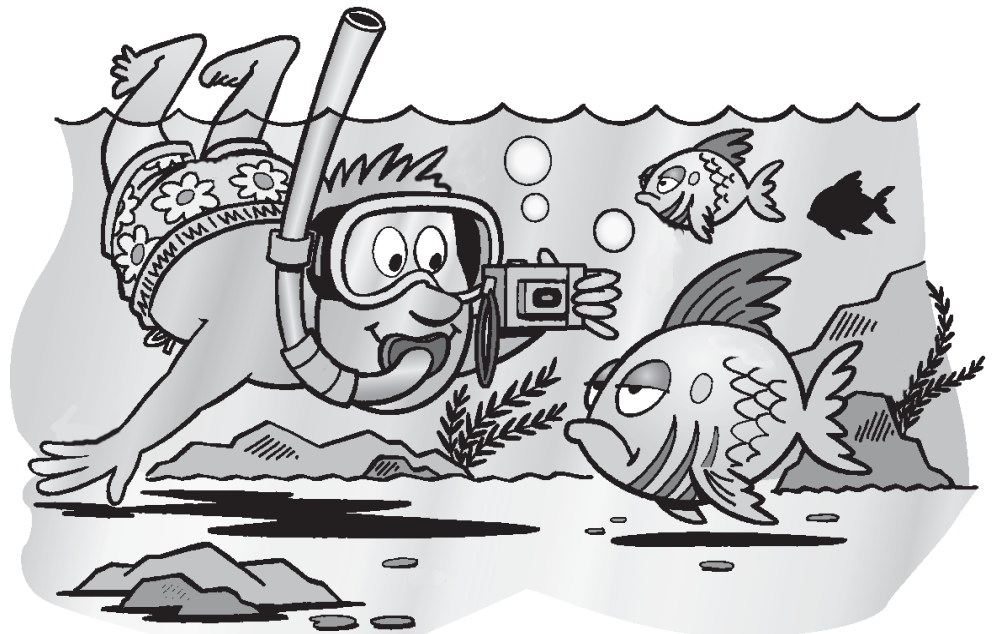
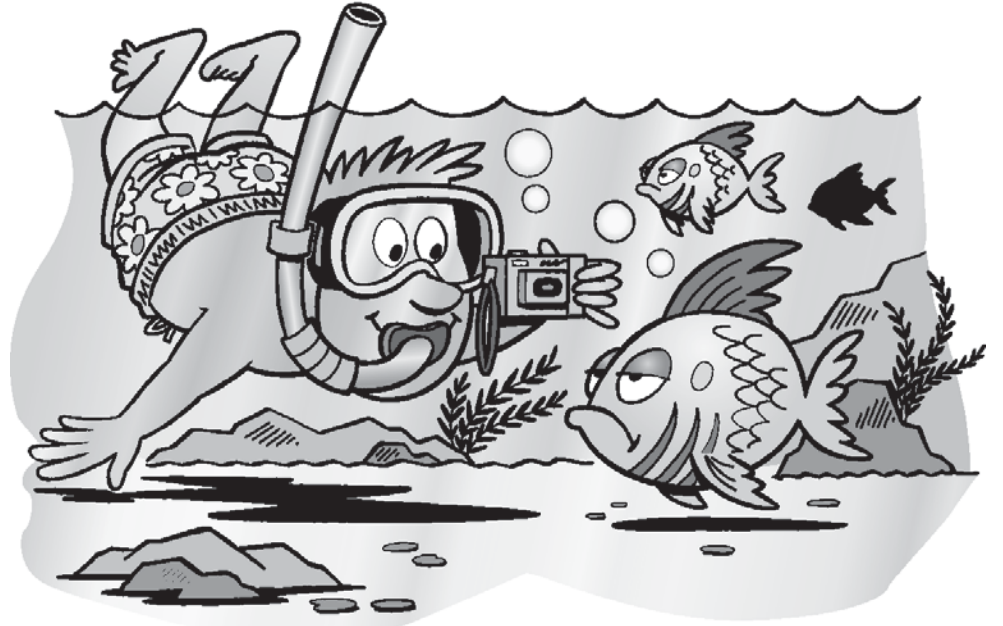
Across

1. These sometimes happen after a very hot humid day and then cools it off.
2. Wear this to keep from burning.
3. You can ride this at the beach.
4. You can find this at the beach.
6. This is the first letter of every word in this puzzle.
7. You can walk on this at the beach.

Down

1. This heats the days of summer.
3. This is what a bee will do when threatened.
4. The season of no school.
5. You can do this at the pool.

Find the 8 differences between the pictures below.



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The July and August newspapers are all about summer fun! Tell us how **your** summer is going! We want pictures, pictures and more pictures!

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