# **SEPTEMBER 2023**

River-to-River Illinois Facebook photos

## River-to-River **Trail Society** announces Fall, **2023 Hiking Schedule**

The River-to River Trail Society announces its schedule of free guided hikes in and about the Shawnee National Forest for Fall 2023 Hiking Season. All hikes are open to the public free of charge. These hikes are of at least moderate difficulty and are intended for people in good health who have done some hiking. Boots or sturdy shoes and a walking stick are recommended for all hikes. Hikers should bring their own water and a snack. No dogs, please. Reservations are required for the Oct. 21st & Nov. 12th hikes.

River-to-River Trail Society Fall 2023 - Hiking

Schedule

Sept 30th: Hike: Tunnel Hill Trail Bike & Hike (Johnson County) Leader: Bill Gilmour 270-331-1553 Meet: Vienna City

Time: 10:00 am

Oct 7th:

Hike: Millstone Lake Trail #32 (Johnson County)

Leader: Bill Gilmour 270-331-1553

Meet: Intersection of Hwy 147 and Cedar Grove Church Road Time: 10:00 am

Oct.14th:

Hike: Ferne Clyffe State Park (Johnson County)

Leader: Chris Drone 618-926-3250

Meet: Ferne Clyffe State Park Time: 10:00 am

Oct. 21st:

Hike: Salt Peter Cave, Reservations required (20-person max. allowed on hike) (Pope County)

Leaders Sam Morales/Fred Scott 618-384-1321

Meet: Lusk Creek Trailhead Time: 10:00 am

Oct. 28th: Hike: Godwin Trail (Union County) Leader: Bob Mulcahy

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## SIU Carbondale celebrates overall enrollment increase



The freshman class celebrates their arrival at SIU Carbondale with Grey Dawg

Photo by Liz Taylor

#### By Kim Rendfeld

CARBONDALE, Ill. – For the first time since 2014, enrollment at Southern Illinois University Carbondale has grown. Overall enrollment for fall 2023 is 11,359 — 252 students, or 2.3%, more than last year — the highest overall boost in the number of students in 21 years and highest percentage increase in over 30 years.

This is a moment for all Salukis to celebrate," said Chancellor Austin A. Lane. "Over the last three years, our faculty, staff, students, alumni and donors set out to strategically increase our enrollment in a number of key areas. Today, that work has paid off, and there's more to come as we continue to hit targets within the Imagine 2030 strategic plan. I want to personally thank everyone in

Saluki Nation for everything they did to set us on the right trajectory. Today's exciting news proves Salukis imagine ambitious goals, and then we make them reality!"

The university is well positioned for more growth, Lane said, and it is on track to reach its goal of 15,000 students by 2030, set in Imagine 2030.

In addition, 1,621 new freshmen are starting their college careers at SIU, which is 103, or 6.8%, more than last year. This is the first time in at least 50 years the university has increased its freshman class for four consecutive

The university also saw a 10.8% increase in new transfer students to 1,188. Part of that success can be attributed to Saluki Step Ahead agreements signed with more than 40

community colleges in Illinois, Missouri and Texas since 2021. Saluki Step Ahead provides a seamless path for students who earn associate degrees in participating community colleges to obtain their SIU bachelor's degrees online in select programs. About 130 students, 121% more than last year, are earning their degrees through Saluki Step Ahead.

Enrollment in online degree programs also increased by 9.2% to 2,128. On campus, the residential student population has risen 5.5%.

Also contributing to overall enrollment is an 11.8% increase in new graduate and professional students, compared to last year. International student enrollment increased 6.5% to 853 students.

In addition, the university has ramped up its effort to

recruit students from the Southern Illinois region, and those efforts have paid off, Lane said. Overall undergraduate students from the region increased by 7.2% over last year to 754. New freshmen from the region rose by 7.7%.

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## **Eating Well**



## Apple Picking Time Crescent Apple

Dumplings Mom's Fried Apples Crockpot Apple **Butter** Caramel Apples





# What to know about replacing gutters

Certain home renovation projects are more glamorous than others. A remodeled kitchen is sure to garner its share of "oohs and aahs," while a newly paved driveway is much less likely to dazzle guests.

A gutter replacement is another job that might not have the wow factor. But fully functioning gutters are a must and can help to prevent potentially expensive roof damage. Gutters rarely draw attention, but homeowners can keep an eye out for signs that indicate gutters need to be replaced.

Signs gutters should be replaced

Various signs indicate it's time to replace existing gutters. Homeowners should act promptly if any of the following signs arise, as poorly functioning gutters can make it hard for water to get into the downspouts, ultimately pushing it backward and likely underneath roof shingles, where the result can be costly water damage.

- Peeling paint
- Cracks
- Pooling water in the gutter
- Mildew in the gutter, which can sometimes be seen even from the ground
- Water damage: Water damage on the gutter can be limited to certain spots and will be noticeable on the underside of the gutter
  - Soffit damage
- Sagging gutters
- Detached gutters, which can be detached from other pieces or the house
  - Rust

### Who should replace gutters?

Many home improvements can be completed successfully by skilled do-it-yourselfers, but a gutter replacement is best left to the professionals. Homeowners who live in single-story homes may be able to replace gutters on their own, but the issues that can arise when gutters are not functioning at this a job best suited

to professionals, even in residences without high roofs.

Some gutters may be under a manufacturer's warranty, so homeowners can check to see if their gutters qualify for a free upgrade. Experience is one of the best reasons to work with a professional gutter installation team. Experienced professionals can identify which gutters are the best fit based on a host of factors, including the pitch of the roof, local conditions and the size of the house. In addition, gutter installation requires the use of various tools that many DIYers may not have on hand, which can cut into the cost savings of doing the project yourself.

Homeowners also should not underestimate the challenges of working on ladders that are high up off the ground. Professionals are accustomed to such challenges, while DIYers may not be comfortable or used to climbing ladders with materials and tools in hand.

A gutter replacement is a worthwhile investment that can ensure rain water efficiently and effectively runs through gutters and away from the roof. Leaving this task to the professionals can ensure the job is done right





## 3 great reasons to replace aging windows

Windows in a home are easy to take for granted. Unless windows are showing signs of wear and tear or so dirty that it's hard to see through them, it's easy for them to go unnoticed. However, replacement windows can add value to a home and even save homeowners a substantial amount of money.

Much of the savings that can be attributed to new windows is related to energy efficiency. The Office of **Energy Efficiency** and Renewable Energy estimates that as much as 30 percent of heating and cooling energy can be lost through heat gain or heat loss, and aging, inefficient windows contribute to such losses. Replacing those windows can save homeowners substantial amounts of money, with one expert at Angi estimating that installation of energy efficient windows can help trim energy bills by as much as 12 percent.

Cost savings are often noted when firms promote replacement windows, but homeowners should know that replacement windows also provide numerous additional benefits. In fact, the following are three great reasons for homeowners to consider upgrading their windows today.

1. New windows help reduce carbon footprint. The U.S. Environmental **Protection Agency** reports that replacing singlepane windows with ENERGY STAR® certified windows can help to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by a significant margin. The EPA reports that such windows can save the equivalent of as much as 6,200 pounds of CO2 emissions thanks to reduced energy consumption associated with the new windows.

2. New windows can brighten a *home.* Natural light brightens a room and can make it appear larger. Homeowners who have grown accustomed to old windows may not realize how little light such windows let into their homes. Aging windows can become foggy over time and prevent natural light from getting into a home. That can create a gloomy feel and force homeowners to turn up the thermostat on cold days. New windows brighten the home and the natural light that pours in on a cold day can help heat the home at the same time.

3. New windows cut down on noise. Window manufacturers are always on the lookout for ways to produce windows that make homes more comfortable. Noise reduction is one way to accomplish that goal, and Consumer Reports notes that triple-glazed windows can help to dramatically reduce outside noise. Homeowners who currently have single-pane windows may be astonished by the difference in outside noise levels when upgrading to triple-glazed windows, which contain a third layer of glass.

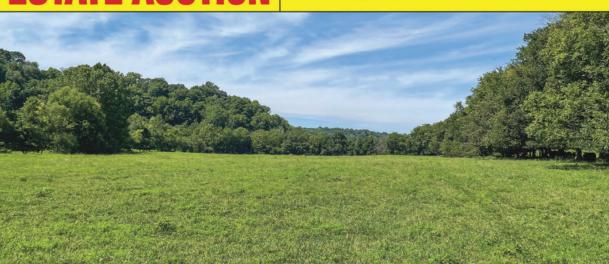
That third layer of glass significantly reduces noise levels, making triple-glaze windows ideal for homes on busy streets or those in urban areas with lots of foot traffic.

Replacement windows pay numerous dividends. Homeowners can reap these rewards and others by replacing aging windows.



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# Golconda, IL: The first permanent settlement in Pope County

Situated on the Ohio River in Pope County, Golconda, Illinois is one of those quaint little towns that hold a special place in the hearts of anyone who has ever lived there. The town sits on the Ohio River and at one time had a ferry that carried passengers across the river to and from Livingston County, Kentucky.

The town of Golconda was the first permanent settlement in Pope County with an area of .54 sq miles of land and water and was named after the city of Golkonda, India. The town was first settled in 1798 and in the winter of 1838 was the site where an estimated 13,000 Cherokee Indians crossed the river by ferry on their way to Oklahoma as part of the relocation project known today as "The Trail Of Tears".

At that time the town consisted of several stores, a bank, hotel, a hospital, several churches and a post office. The town was the perfect place for those traveling the Ohio River to stop and spend the night and for riverboats to drop off goods and livestock.

After crossing the river the Cherokees were not allowed into the towns due to a fear of disease and had to travel much farther to go around them. Some of the Cherokee settlea in areas around Golconda and were ancestors of my husband. His great grandmother was Nancy New. Nancy married my husband's great grandfather who was German and they lived in the Golconda area for many years on land given to her by the government. That land is now part of the Shawnee National Forest.

Golconda is also where Dam 51 was built in the early twentieth century and stood until after the new Smithland Lock



Pope County Courthouse built in 1872-Note the four white statues honoring the four major branches of the military.



Golconda main street view of historical buildings.



The administration building is the only building left from the Ohio River Dam 51

and Dam was finished and the US Army Corps of Engineers removed it. All that remains are the homes built along the river in the late 1920's to house the Corps employees

who operated the dam and the main operations building. The homes have now been renovated and are available to rent for overnight lodging. If you are looking for a quaint little town to explore come and check out the City of Golconda, Illinois. Explore the Pope County Courthouse, visit the marina or stay in a riverfront home. This is the perfect place for a quiet getaway overlooking the Ohio River.

Contact the City of Golconda for rental information.

#### **INSPIRATION**

#### HIKING, from page one

708-471-7500 Meet: Godwin Trailhead East Time: 10:00 am

Nov. 4th: Hike: Buttermilk Hill picnic area (Jackson County) Leader: Melanie

Kasson 618-791-3086 Meet: Spillway Road. Kinkaid Lake Dam Time: 10:00 am

Nov. 11th: Hike: Lake Glendale Hike (Pope County) Leader: Shawn Gossman 618-694-7034 Meet: Cardinal Bay Trailhead (boat ramp) Time: 10:00 am

Nov. 12th: Hike: Secret Canyon, Reservations required (10-person max. allowed on hike) (Pope County) Leader: Gillum/Vicki Ferguson 630-470-7692 Meet: Cedar Bluff Social Brethren Church

Time: 1:30 pm Nov. 18th no hiking, gun season.

Nov. 25th: Hike: Jackson Hole/ Double Branch Hole (Pope County)

Leader: Cathy Jennings 618-759-1924 Meet: Shawnee Mart Eddyville

Time: 10:00 am

Dec. 2nd no hiking, gun season.

Dec. 9th no hiking, muzzle loader gun season.

Dec. 16th: Hike: Thacker Hollow/Initial tree (Hardin County/ Gallatin County) Leader: Steve

Melville 314-223-3061 Meet: Rim Rock parking area Time: 10:00 am

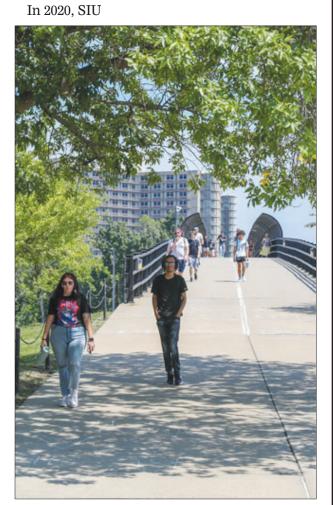
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"We want students in our own backyard to know they can get a world-class education and handson learning close to home," he said.

And the students are well prepared: new students with a GPA of 3.5 or better have increased 9.8% over last year.

"This data illustrates our commitment to providing students with access to higher education and removing barriers," Lane said.

Carbondale launched the Saluki Commitment and Saluki Transfer Commitment to close financial gaps for students who qualify. In the last three years, SIU has joined the Common App, signed agreements with several schools and youth organizations in the Southern Illinois region and the Metro East, more strategically recruited students and increased marketing, advertising and communications.



Students cross the pedestrian bridge on the east side of campus

Photo by Yenitza Melgoza

corporation founded

in 1993 by John O'Dell to promote completion of the River-to-River Trail, which now runs 157 miles through the Shawnee National Forest between Elizabethtown on the Ohio River and Grand Tower on the Mississippi River. The Society engages in trail maintenance and advocacy, and it offers free guided hikes to members and the public during the spring and fall hiking seasons.

In addition, the Society has a Trail Guide to the entire River-to-River Trail, which can be downloaded for free from the Society's website: https://www. rivertorivertrail.net/



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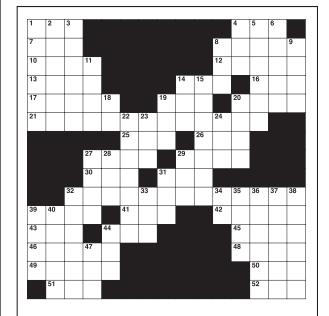
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### Crossword Puzzle



#### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Second sight 4. Standard electrode potential
- 7. Type of gibbon
- 8. John Joseph \_\_: American industrialist
- 10. Manning and Whitney are two
- 12. Abrupt 13. Baroque musical instrument
- 14. Post-burning residue
- 16. When you hope to arrive 17. Sign up (Brit. Eng.)
- 19. Sun up in New York
- 20. Employee stock ownership plan 21. Where people live
- 25. Method to record an electrogram
- 26. Angry 27. No longer living

- 29. Simple
- 30. Swiss river 31. Portion of a play
- 32. It's under the tree
- 39 Wood sorrels 41. No (Scottish)
- 42. Dialect of English 43. Former Steelers' OB
- 44. Popular beer 45. It can make you sick
- 46. Tropical tree and fruit
- 48. Company officer 49. Contact lens term
- 50. Your consciousness of your
- own identity 51. "Ghetto Superstar" singer
- 52. Piece of turf

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Farmall MD, #185098 Farmall Super M, WF, #512250 Farmall Super H, #8988 Farmall H, #242689 Farmall 200 w/2 pt & cultivator, WF, #4096 Farmall Super C, 2pt hitch, WF

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Minneapolis Moline U, #0115001279 Minneapolis Moline GB, #08901037 Minneapolis Moline UT, #UTU3310700 Minneapolis Moline RI Industrial

Minneapolis Moline BG, one row, #90077 Minneapolis Moline BF Minneapolis Moline GTB, #0164800580 Minneapolis Moline RTU, #412438U Minneapolis Moline R, #00606314

Minneapolis Moline Z, #0014000377 Minneapolis Moline ZTU, #575823U, not running Minneapolis Moline U, #01240127 Minneapolis Moline RTU, #0014800655

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Cockshutt 30 CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT

Komatsu D505 Trac loader, #39346 Cat 955L, stacking rake and bucket International TD6 dozer, #37409

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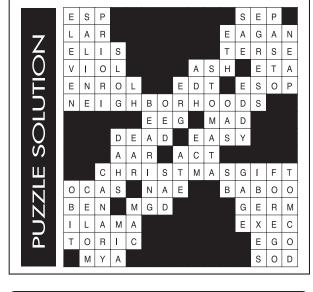
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#### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Number of players on each side in a football game
- 2. Containing salt
- 3. Reasoning or knowledge: a
- 4. Car mechanics group
- 5. Leave a place6. Southern Colombian capital
- 8. Old English letter
- 9. Tide
- 11. Walk heavily
- 14. Chemical compound (abbr.)
- 15. Artificial openings 18. Luteinizing hormone
- 19. Unit of energy
- 20. Circular movement of water
- 22. A way of holding
- 23. Popular book of words (abbr.)
- 24. States' group 27. Dashes
- 28. Body part 29. Electronic countermeasures
- 31. Consumed
- 32. Small bird 33. Unhappy
- 34. Football's big game (abbr.) 35. Valued object offered in good faith
- 36. Wild goats
- 37. Precede in place 38. Small edible fish
- 39. Notice of death
- 40. Body cavity of a metazoan
- 44. Partner to cheese 47. Not around



#### **Word Search Answers**

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#### **INSPIRATION**

## Being honest with God and ourselves

By Dr. Billy Holland

In the field of psychology, cognitive dissonance is the perception of contradictory information and the mental toll of it. Relevant items of information include a person's actions, feelings, ideas, beliefs, values, convictions, and things that are going on all around us. Cognitive dissonance is typically experienced as mental and emotional stress when an individual participates in an action that goes against what they know is right. According to this theory, when two desires or ideas are not consistent with each other, people will try to justify and compromise until they become consistent enough to be accepted. This discomfort is triggered by the person's knowledge clashing against new information when it's introduced, wherein the individual tries to find a way to resolve the contradiction to reduce their guilt.

This might sound like a lot of psychological gobbly goop, and you might be asking, what does all of this have to do with me and the way I live? I'm glad you asked. We all have a lot of personal and secret thoughts going on in our minds and how we deal with it goes a long way toward being a more stable, balanced, and spiritually content person. I'm not excited about it, but we are constantly exposed to negative voices and influences that we might consider, but I hope we refuse. The point is coming to the

place where we are honest with God and ourselves. Many of our headaches and anxieties are selfinflicted and our temptations often come from areas where are weak and vulnerable. The devil has been watching us for a long time and there is no reason for him to stop using tactics against us that are always successful.

Take for example, we know that we should stop wasting so many hours each day playing on our phones and television, but we do it anyway. Why? Because we want to. Of course, if we really believe this is a serious problem,

we would turn them off, then try to secretly but instead, it's much easier to ignore it with a compromising and enduring attitude. This is cognitive dissonance. The general idea of living on purpose is to examine every aspect of our lives and develop a desire to become the best version of ourselves we can be. Or in other words, it should be important to us that we are the person that Jesus died for us to be. The subconscious discomfort we are talking about is an internal misery that does not need to be a part of our lives. We want peace and the more we please God and follow His voice, the less we are convicted and condemned for our willful disobedience.

We realize we need to take control of our mental and spiritual condition instead of allowing our fleshly desires and emotions to control us. In the same way that Adam and Eve were ashamed in the Garden, we also feel that guilt when we do not obey what God is saying. It's an illusion to expect spiritual joy, and contentment to fall out of the sky. Rather, since we have been given free will to make our own decisions, our destiny has everything to do with whose voice we follow. This is not to say that God does not have a plan for us or fails to intervene, but much of the time He blesses what we give Him. Our responsibility to serve Him is refusing sin and being willing to guard our most precious assets...our mind, spirit, and the Holy Spirit within us.

What about how we feel about food and its association with our weight? Some analyze every bite and go to the gym to maintain a healthy lifestyle. Counting calories gives them the security to know they are being good. Others could care less about being healthy and are willing to take as many medications as necessary to maintain their existence. Those who smoke realize it's linked to cancer, but are convinced they can get away with it.

The same is true with alcoholism. And what about the ones who secretly watch pornography and

justify their behavior? Whatever our vices and struggles, our contradictions are trying to convict and warn us. God sees and knows everything, and when His truth does not line up with our actions, asking Him for help is the best decision we could ever make.

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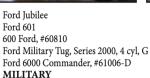
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# Apple Picking Time!!

Cool crisp temperatures are right around the corner and with that we are reminded of the sights and smells of Autumn, and at the top of the list is apples! Here are some delicious apple recipes that you'll fine very a'peel'ing!

### Crescent Apple Dumplings



#### Ingredients

2 granny smith apples 2 cans crescent dough 3/4 c. (1 1/2 sticks) butter, plus more for pan 1 c. brown sugar 1 1/2 tsp. cinnamon 1 tsp. pure vanilla extract Pinch kosher salt

8 oz. lemon-lime soda

#### **Directions**

Preheat oven to 350° and grease a large baking dish with butter. Peel and core apples then cut each apple into eighths.

Separate crescent dough into triangles. Starting at the

wider end, roll one apple slice up in a crescent triangle. Repeat with remaining apple slices and crescents. Place into prepared pan.

In a small saucepan over medium heat, melt butter, brown sugar, cinnamon, vanilla, and salt together. Pour mixture over apples.

Pour soda around edge of pan, trying to avoid pouring on top of dumplings. Bake dumplings until golden, 30 minutes.

Serve warm with ice cream and spoon sauce from pan over dumplings.

## Did You Know You Can Freeze Fried Apples?

Yes, you can freeze fried apples! After preparing the fried apples, let cool them completely, then place in an airtight, freezer-safe container for up to 3 to 6 months. To use, thaw in the refrigerator and warm in a saucepan over medium heat.



#### Mom's Fried Apples

#### Ingredients

1/2 cup butter, cubed 6 medium unpeeled tart red apples, sliced 3/4 cup sugar, divided

3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon Vanilla ice cream, optional



#### **Directions**

Melt butter in a large cast-iron or other ovenproof skillet. Add apples and 1/2 cup sugar; stir to mix well. Cover and cook over low heat for 20 minutes or until apples are tender, stirring frequently.

Add cinnamon and remaining sugar. Cook and stir over medium-high heat 5-10 minutes longer. If desired, serve with ice cream.



### Crockpot Apple Butter

#### Ingredients

6 lb. mixed apples, peeled, cored, and sliced (about 12 apples)

1/4 c. packed brown

1/4 c. granulated sugar

2 tsp. cinnamon 1 tsp. pure vanilla

extract

1/2 tsp. ground

nutmeg

1/2 tsp. ground cloves 1/2 tsp. kosher salt

1/4 tsp. ground ginger

#### **Directions**

Add all ingredients to a bowl of a crockpot and toss to combine. Cover and cook on low for 10 to 12 hours or until apples are deeply golden and falling apart.

Using an immersion blender or regular blender, blend apples until smooth. If using a regular blender, pause to remove lid every so often to let steam escape.

Pour apple butter into jars and let cool to room temperature. Cover and store in refrigerator. It will keep for a few weeks.

## **Caramel Apples**



#### Ingredients

1 cup butter

2 cups packed brown sugar

1 cup light corn syrup

1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

8 wooden sticks

8 medium tart apples

Unsalted peanuts, chopped, optional

#### **Directions**

In a heavy 3-qt. saucepan, combine butter, brown sugar, corn syrup and milk; bring to a boil over mediumhigh heat. Cook and stir until mixture reaches 248° (firm-ball stage) on a candy thermometer, 30-40 minutes. Remove from the heat; stir in vanilla. Insert wooden sticks into apples. Dip each apple into hot caramel mixture; turn to coat. Set on waxed paper to cool. If desired, roll the bottom of the dipped apples into chopped peanuts.

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