

IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITIES

**\$44,500 Starting Salary
\$5,000 Hiring Bonus**

HIRING!
Northwest Correctional Complex

Tennessee Department of Correction
For more information or to apply: (731) 253-5121 • www.tn.gov/correction



GRADUATION IDEAS / HOME & GARDEN



THE
N'WEST
TENNESSEE

VOLUNTEER

MAY 2022



Serving Henry, Obion & Weakley counties in N'West Tennessee since 2006



American Red Cross honors UT Martin with Outstanding Community Partner Award

The American Red Cross of Mid-West Tennessee presented its 2022 Outstanding Community Partner Award to the university during the annual Heroes Luncheon on April 27 in Jackson at Union University's Carl Grant Events Center. Faculty and staff from the UT Martin Regional Centers joined UT Martin Chancellor Keith Carver at the event. Carver is an American Red Cross Mid-West Tennessee board member and was the luncheon's keynote speaker. Pictured are (l, r) Stephanie Allen, assistant professor of social work; Kayce Beam, director, Jackson Center; Dr. Kelli Deere, director, Parsons Center; Kara Tapp, Somerville Center; Carver; Erica Bell, director, Regional Centers and Online Programs; Dr. Sim

Taylor, Ripley Center; and Dr. Lan DePriest, assistant professor of geosciences. The University of Tennessee at Martin was recognized April 27 for its support of the Red Cross following the Dec. 10, 2021, tornado outbreak in Northwest Tennessee. The American Red Cross of Mid-West Tennessee presented its 2022 Outstanding Community Partner Award to the university during the annual Heroes Luncheon held April 27 in Jackson at Union University's Carl Grant Events Center. The annual event honors local individuals and organizations for service and raises funds to support the Red Cross. UT Martin Chancellor Keith Carver, an American Red Cross Mid-West Tennessee board

member, was the keynote speaker. The Outstanding Community Partner Award honored the university's support for the agency during initial recovery efforts from tornadoes that caused widespread devastation in Dresden, Kenton, Samburg and other areas. David Hicks, American Red Cross Mid-West Tennessee executive director, said that community partners are important to the Red Cross and the organization's ability to deliver services when needed. "The partnership that we coordinated with UTM in the aftermath of those storms was one of the most beneficial I've experienced in my six years serving as a Red Cross executive director," Hicks said. "The partnership that we coordinated with

UTM in the aftermath of those storms was one of the most beneficial I've experienced in my six years serving as a Red Cross executive director," Hicks said. "Any self-serving agendas were all put aside for the benefit of aiding deeply hurting communities of people. It made me proud to serve my organization and to be associated with UTM." "It (the award) was a surprise to us. ... We just did what any neighbor would do and tried to help," he said. Carver announced the award to the UT Martin community April 28 during a virtual town hall attended by more than 100 university faculty and staff members. "It (the award) was a surprise to us. ...

see AWARD, page 4

Military History and Armed Forces Symposium 2022 held at Discovery Park of America April 29-May 1

Thousands of children and adults enjoyed the 2022 Military History and Armed Forces Symposium that was held here at Discovery Park April 29 to May 1, 2022. The event featured a variety of programs and interactive activities that explored the past, present and future of the American military. For the first time ever, all branches of the military had representatives at the symposium.

Attendees experienced a number of special guests including Bill Allen, one of the last remaining D-day survivors. You can hear an episode of our podcast recorded earlier with Mr. Allen here. Jennifer Horbelt with WPSD Local 6 also recorded an in-depth interview with Mr. Allen at Discovery Park.

Other special guests participated in panel

discussions and presentations on a wide range of topics that included details on how to enter the military, managing a military career and tips to apply after leaving the armed services. Videos and recordings of the panels and conversations will be shared in the coming weeks.

Discovery Park CEO Scott Williams recorded a live episode of "Reelfoot Forward: A West Tennessee Podcast" featuring Kevin Rumley. Kevin went from homeless, drug-addicted veteran to having a master's degree in social work, performing in numerous bands as a drummer and running the Buncombe County Veterans Treatment Court, a program that helps divert veteran offenders from prison to community service and recovery.

Music was also a

see MILITARY, page 4



How to throw a graduation party

Graduation is a momentous occasion for students that marks an end to many years of dedication to studies. Most people look back fondly on the day they received their degrees and diplomas. But often what is remembered most when a person graduates is the party that commemorated the event.

For parents planning graduation parties for their children, graduation season may be filled with nostalgia about their own childhoods and experiences. While parents can borrow from what they learned along the way, graduation parties for their kids should definitely focus on the here and now — and what is important to the new grad. In fact, the guest of honor should be tapped to help create the party of his or her desires.

Book early

Most schools host commencement ceremonies in May or June. With so many people planning parties around the same time, venues and vendors will be snatched up quickly. As soon as you learn the graduation date, reserve a party space and contact caterers, florists, entertainment, or other vendors who will be used for the event.

Host an open house



party

An open house party enables guests to arrive and depart freely according to their schedules so graduates can hop from one party to the next. This occurs over a long period of time (four to five hours is a good window) and the party does not follow any strict schedule.

An open house party requires having food and beverages available at all times, so it's important to have an array of options that can be served room temperature or kept safe over ice or heat. Chips and dips, sliced vegetables and small sandwiches are good options. Crocks and chafing dishes can be used to keep foods warm.

Prevent the temptation

Even if the party will feature a mix of students, friends and adult family, it may be safer to avoid serving alcohol. This way you do not run the risk of an underage guest

sneaking an alcoholic beverage and leaving the party intoxicated. Remember, in some areas you can be legally prosecuted for permitting underage drinking to occur, so it's best to do whatever it takes to prevent such a scenario.

Pick a theme

A theme can make a graduation party even more enjoyable. Tie the theme into the grad's personality or future plans or go with a classic, such as a Hawaiian luau, which is fitting for outdoor events.

Hire a wait staff

One way to enjoy the graduation party is to free up time to mingle. Hiring a wait staff means drink and food service as well as clean-up can be handled by others.

Graduation parties soon will be in full swing. Parents can make their youngsters' graduation bash more memorable by getting a head start and incorporating a few useful strategies.

7 gift ideas for soon-to-be grads

It would be an understatement to say that it has been an interesting few years for the Class of 2022. Due to the pandemic, many soon-to-be grads spent a significant portion of their school years adapting to a changing landscape, both at school and at home. While it is an accomplishment to reach graduation in a "normal" situation, students who have succeeded and thrived in the face of pandemic-related adversity are worthy of extra celebration.

Graduation gifts are a great way to show grads how proud you are that they stayed the course in the face of significant challenges. Here are seven gift ideas for graduates.

1. Journal: Graduates are about to start new chapters in their lives. Either a blank journal or one with writing prompts can help grads get their thoughts on paper to document both the many moments that will shape the next few years.

2. Mascot- or school-themed offerings: If a high school graduate will be going on to higher education, then visit the college or university's spirit shop to purchase anything from sweatshirts to blankets to coffee mugs featuring a school logo or mascot. On the first day of classes, the new student will already feel part of the team.

3. New wardrobe: Graduating means



forging new paths, whether in a career or through additional schooling. Grads can look the part with several items from a favorite retailer. Those who are unsure of the graduate's style can purchase a gift card and let the grad go on a spending spree.

4. Framed school photo or map: A piece of artwork can evoke strong emotions of time spent on campus. Frame a black-and-white or sepia-tone print of the aerial view of campus, or opt for an official school tour map, which indicates buildings and other points of interest. This could become a cherished keepsake.

5. Bedside organizational pouch: Dorm life requires maximizing a small amount of space. An organizational pouch or pocket can keep essentials such as a tablet, book, reading glasses, and remote control close by and organized without taking up a lot of room. Some are designed to rest over a couch cushion or slide between a mattress and bed

frame.

6. Automotive essentials: Graduates will be facing all sorts of new expenses, so easing any sort of financial burden can help them in a big way. Vehicles tend to be major financial drains for teens and young adults. Prepaid cash cards, gas station gift cards, vouchers for car washes, and even gift cards to an automotive supply store can help graduates direct their funds elsewhere.

7. Personal coffeemaker: Many people feel coffee is essential to make it through the day. Graduates who will soon be studying for college exams or those waking up early for their first forays into the workforce may appreciate an on-demand pick-me-up. Coffeemakers are much more streamlined these days, and there are pots designed to use loose grounds or special pods to produce cups quickly.

Shoppers can explore many interesting options to commemorate the accomplishments of the class of 2022.

Travel gifts for college grads

As COVID-19-inspired travel restrictions are loosened across the globe, many newly minted graduates are eager to travel the world. Graduates planning such excursions — whether large or small — will need essentials to help them make the most of their travels.

Wireless headphones/earbuds

Travelers can enjoy crisp, perfect sound while on the go without the need for wires. Wireless devices can be used on planes, buses and other forms of transportation to listen to music, movies, television shows, or podcasts.

Lightweight daypack

Space is a hot commodity while

traveling. Many airlines also charge fees for exceeding luggage weight limits or having extra baggage. A lightweight backpack that collapses is easily packed and also can be used for day trips, hikes and sightseeing expeditions.

Instant film camera

How often do people take pictures only for them to remain on a phone or locked in "cloud" limbo? Graduates can have fun with instant-film cameras that produce prints on the fly. They can double as postcards to send home to family eager for news. Options are available from both Polaroid and Fuji.

Scrapbooking supplies

While grads are

printing instant photos, they can begin planning memory books that catalogue their post-graduation adventures. Put together a selection of scrapbooking essentials, including colored papers, stickers, photo holders, and stencils, as a great scrapbooking starter.

Tags and holders

Graduates can travel in style with matching luggage tag and passport holder sets. Have them monogrammed for an even more personal touch.

Scratch off map

Every traveler needs a way to document where he or she has been. Gift a scratch-off map of North America or the entire world. Grads can scratch off the top layer of the

map to reveal a colorful under layer to highlight places they have been.

Personalized weekender

Not every trip a graduate takes has to be lengthy. An overnight stay or a trip of only a few days doesn't require a lot of luggage. A classic weekender bag monogrammed with the graduate's name will ensure he or she travels in style.

Travel jewelry case

It's easy to misplace jewelry while on the go. A handy zippered pouch can keep earrings, necklaces and rings in one spot so they're easily packed away when needed.

Graduates planning on travel after graduation will appreciate travel-related gifts.



HOME & GARDEN

6 ways to make your garden more successful

Homeowners enjoy gardening for many different reasons. In addition to adding beauty to a property, gardens can offset grocery costs by yielding tasty produce. They also offer important habitats and food sources for both insects and animals.

While growing a vegetable or flower garden can turn into a rewarding hobby, or even a passion, gardening also can be overwhelming — particularly when the results are less than stellar. Novice gardeners have scores of resources at their disposal, including the advice of gardeners who have made mistakes and learned from them. The following guidance can make home gardens that much more successful.

1. Start small.

You may have visions of an expansive garden growing rows of crops or acres of flowers. But it is smart to start small and build on what you find successful, which includes plants that thrive in your lawn and garden.

This also is beneficial if you are unsure of vegetable yields. Several blooming plants producing



bushels of crops can be overwhelming, especially if you can't get to harvesting or cooking them in a timely fashion.

2. Assess the soil.

Plants need nutrient-rich soil to encourage extensive root systems and produce strong, hardy plants, according to the gardening resource GrowVeg. Nourish soil with organic matter, such as manure, compost, shredded leaves, and natural mulch. Add this organic matter in the off-season to give it enough time to be incorporated into the ground before spring. You can have your soil tested for pH and other characteristics that make it friendly or

averse to plants at a local garden center.

3. Arm yourself with knowledge.

Do you know how deeply to plant seeds and how far apart to space plants? Are you aware of the sunlight needs of certain flowers or plants? If not, read the packaging and do your research so your plants have the best chance of not only sprouting, but also surviving. Many people prefer to start seedlings indoors in late winter and then transfer those plants outdoors when they are stronger and more established.

4. Sit in your yard and observe.

Watch the way the sunlight dances over

areas of your landscape. Take note of which areas get the most sun and shade. This will help you plan what to plant and where to plant it. Vegetable gardens tend to need ample sunlight to bear pick-worthy produce. You can give plants a leg up by growing them in optimal conditions.

5. Choose hardy varieties.

Certain plants have been bred to thrive in your climate, including heat-tolerant plants for climates with sweltering summer sun. Consult with a local gardening center to figure out which plant zone you are in and which plants will do best within that zone.

6. Use rainwater.

Rainwater contains fewer contaminants and additives than tap water, which can benefit garden plants. Collect rainwater in rain barrels and use irrigation systems to deliver it to the garden.

Home gardens can yield many gifts, from flowers to fruit. Beginners can utilize some time-tested strategies to increase their chances of planting a successful garden.

How to pick the right trees for your property

Trees benefit a landscape by serving both aesthetic and utilitarian functions. A home surrounded by healthy green trees can be a sight to behold, and those same trees can benefit surrounding plants and wildlife at the same time.

As appealing as trees are, not all trees and landscapes make for the perfect match. The Arbor Day Foundation notes the importance of planning when designing a landscape. Planning ensures the trees homeowners ultimately choose for their properties will grow well in the soil and moisture present in their yards.

Careful consideration of a handful of variables can help homeowners determine which trees will make the best fit for their properties.

• Height:

Homeowners must consider the projected height of a tree before planting it. Avoid trees that will bump into anything when fully grown, as that can adversely

affect surrounding greenery and pose a safety hazard. The ADF's tree sizing guide can be accessed at <https://www.arborday.org/trees/rightTreeAndPlace/size.cfm> and serves as an invaluable resource for homeowners who want to plant new trees around their properties.

• Canopy spread:

Trees grow out as well as up, so it's important to consider their potential width at maturity as well. The ADF sizing guide can help homeowners get an idea of how wide a tree is likely to be at maturity. Trees that spread out quite a bit don't necessarily need to be avoided, but it's important that they're planted far enough apart so they don't adversely affect surrounding plants. In addition, wide trees that are planted too close together can make the landscape appear crowded, taking something away from its aesthetic appeal.

• Growth rate:

Growth rate is an important variable

because it can affect how quickly homeowners will see changes in their landscapes. Homeowners who want to plant for privacy can consider trees with quick growth rates or purchase more mature trees that are already near full growth. Those who are not in need of instant transformation can try trees with slower growth rates, which the ADF notes typically live longer than fast-growing species.

• Requirements:

Different trees require different amounts of sun and moisture and different soil components to thrive. Homeowners can have their soil tested to determine which trees will thrive in it. Local garden centers can be a great resource for homeowners who want insight as to which trees will thrive in their local climates.

Trees serve many functions on a property. Choosing the right trees for a landscape requires careful consideration of a host of variables.

Benton County REAL ESTATE AUCTION

• SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022 AT 10 AM •

Auction & Property Location:

14911 Klink Avenue, Cole Camp, MO 65325

Directions: From Cole Camp, MO take Highway 52 one mile west to sale.

11 +/- ACRES WITH A BEAUTIFUL HOME, SHOP, COMMERCIAL BUILDING AND LAKE

TRACT ONE: 9.5 Acres and includes the 4.3-acre lake in the northwest corner of the tract. It is well stocked and maintained with a gentle grassy sloping bank. This tract also contains Keith and Melody's private home. The home is a 2,675 sq. ft. three bedroom, two story structure with a gorgeous lake setting and ideal location just minutes from Cole Camp, MO. In addition to the home, Tract One also has a 22 ft. x 24 ft. double car garage with concrete floor, wired and a 12 ft. over-head door with electric opener and a 11 ft. x 12 ft. wood frame building that is used for lawnmower storage.

TRACT TWO: 1 +/- acre that lies in the northwest corner of the Mellen Property and has its own access off Klink Avenue. Improvements include a very functional office/shop/storage building that has had new metal siding and roof put on it recently.

TRACT THREE: 1/2 +/- acre and lies in the northwest corner of Highway 52 and Klink Avenue. It has a single story 40 ft. x 29 ft. wood frame building that has a shingle roof, vinyl siding and lots of large windows.



Visit wheelerauctions.com for more information!

SELLERS: KEITH & MELODY MELLEN

Wheeler
AUCTIONS & REAL ESTATE

For more information call
Charlie Nordwald
at 636-795-4552 or
visit wheelerauctions.com.

Advertising Pays!
Call 270-442-7389 to
place your ad

BUNCH AUCTION & REALTY

UPCOMING AUCTIONS

Saturday, May 14, 2022 @ 9 AM

Location: 14513 St Rt 68
Hardin, KY 42048

Mission furniture, antiques,
fishing gear, woodshop tools,
leaded lamps

Saturday, May 21, 2022 @ 9 AM

Location: 344 Cane Creek Rd
Mayfield, KY 42066

House and approximately 40
acres, tools, household items, etc.

Saturday, June 4, 2022 @ 9 AM

Location: 1167 Austin Springs Rd
Dukedom, TN 38226

Antiques, collectibles, motor home, and more...

**CALL TODAY IF YOU ARE THINKING OF HAVING
AN AUCTION IN THE NEAR FUTURE. WE
WOULD BE GLAD TO MEET WITH YOU AND
DISCUSS YOUR BEST OPTIONS. 270-748-5527
OR 250-748-6610**

The Service you Deserve with People you can Trust!



ROY BUNCH, AUCTIONEER/REAL ESTATE BROKER

270-748-5527 OR 270-375-5434

9918 State Route 45 S. • Wingo, KY 42088

Email: roybunch@aol.com

Website: bunchauctionrealty.com

Steven Henderson, Auctioneer 270-748-6610

TN Firm 2591 • Pictures on Auction-zip.com • Auctioneer ID 44122

COMMUNITY

AWARD

Continued from page one

We just did what any neighbor would do and tried to help," he said.

The Red Cross contacted Carver the day following the outbreak and requested space to house trucks and supplies. The university found ways to do much more and provided space in the Boling University Center for an emergency command center, housed volunteers in a residence hall, and provided the requested space for vehicles and supplies. "We did also have some groups who went out and helped the Red Cross," Carver said, and he thanked student housing, the physical plant, public safety, and other university areas and individuals who made the arrangements with the Red Cross possible.

The Red Cross continued operations at UT Martin through December and served Dresden, Kenton, Samburg and Tiptonville. "They (the Red Cross) were great partners," Carver said. "They left things better than they found them, and we were just happy to be able to help in some way."

The American Red Cross of Mid-West Tennessee serves Benton, Carroll, Chester, Crockett, Decatur, Gibson, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Henry, Madison, McNairy and Weakley counties. For more information, contact Hicks at 901-208-0152 or email david.hicks2@redcross.org.

MILITARY

Continued from page one

big part of the event with concerts and live performances by Operation Song and the 52nd Regimental String Band. Operation Song empowers veterans, active-duty military members, and their families to tell their stories through the process of songwriting. Their performance at the members only reception on Friday night included songs written after

spending time with local veterans David Blincoc and Ray Pollard. In addition to performing at the reception, the string band also provided guests with music and dance instruction at a new event, an early-American folk dance.

A number of historic interpreter groups were on hand inside and out to educate guests on the military of the past and authors of military-related books were here to share their stories from their years in the

military.

"A Country Divided: Photos from the Civil War," an exhibit of rare Civil War photos and artifacts, made its world debut at the event and will be on display through May 25, 2022. Designed by Discovery Park's collections and exhibits team featuring items from the collection of Jason Pate, the exhibit consists of several early photography examples depicting soldiers that either lived in or traveled through Obion County

and the surrounding Tennessee/Kentucky region during the Civil War.

The popular Lantern Walk returned to The Settlement with stories and voices from the Civil War. Among the new cast members was Flo Roach who has appeared in films including "The Help."

New to this year's symposium was the U.S. Navy "Nimitz" virtual reality experience. Guests had the opportunity to participate in a 360-degree virtual

reality view of what it is like to be on a Special Warfare Combatant-Craft crewmen mission in America's Navy. Outside, guests could also view a Black Hawk helicopter, an M113 armored personnel carrier, Oshkosh M1070 tank transporter tractor unit and more.

Be sure to save the date for the 2023 Military History and Armed Forces Symposium that will be held April 28-29, 2023.

Sponsored by Union City Coca-Cola and Dixie Gun Works.

Scenes from Discovery Park's Military History and Armed Forces Symposium 2022



Photos from Discovery Park of America's Website discoveryparkofamerica.com



- ★ Bulls And Females
- ★ Registered Angus
- ★ Calving ease and growth
- ★ Birth weights and EPDs available
- ★ Performance testing (50 years)
- ★ 1/2 or 1/4 of freezer beef

BREMER BROTHERS



Est. 1946

David Bremer
618-638-7693

Marc Bremer
618-638-6200

4277 Upper Salem Rd, Metropolis, IL

bremerbrothers.com



SPORTS

Skyhawk golf claims OVC championship

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. – It came down to the final hole and final pairing of both matches on the final day of the 2022 Ohio Valley Conference Championships at Dalhousie Golf Club as the University of Tennessee at Martin pulled through in a pair of 3-2 decisions for its second consecutive league title.

The Skyhawks' fifth tournament victory of the season did not come easy but just as it has all season, UT Martin relied on the strong depth. Each of the five members of the Skyhawk lineup scored a victory today over the two matches.

With that said, it was the clutch play of senior Tate Chumley that helped carry UT Martin across the finish line. Having been crowned as an OVC All-Tournament selection on Tuesday, Chumley saved his best heroics for last today. With the semifinal matchup against Morehead State even at 2-all, the Murfreesboro, Tenn. native produced back-to-back birdies to wrap up the round, outlasting 2022 OVC Championships medalist Joe Muschong in an



instant classic to send the Skyhawks into the championship showdown against top-seeded Tennessee Tech.

The title match was once again knotted at 2-2 as Chumley held off a ferocious rally from Nick Sutton. Chumley was 3-up through 14 holes but Sutton charged back to win Holes No. 16 and No. 17, applying pressure to the UT Martin senior. With a potential playoff looming, Chumley

calmly smoked a picture-perfect drive right down the middle of the fairway and reached the green in two shots on the par-5, 523-yard hole. After Sutton holed out on a chip shot from 20 yards off the green, Chumley needed a three-putt to clinch the title for the Skyhawks. He rolled his second putt to within a foot of the cup and the hole was conceded, handing UT Martin its third OVC golf championship in

school history (also winning in 2016 and 2021).

"We knew these would be two tough teams we were playing today – it was a battle all day long," second-year Skyhawk head coach Austin Swafford said. "I'm so proud of our guys – they competed every hole for 36 holes after a long week of stroke play. For Tate to come out and play the way he did today in both matches – not only for

himself but for the team – it was just so special to watch and be a part of. Our message all year has been to play for one another – play for UT Martin – and whatever you want to accomplish individually will take care of itself. I can't put this feeling into words."

Against No. 3 seed Morehead State, Jacob Uehlein produced the most commanding victory – defeating his counterpart by a 4&3 margin. Garrett

Chumley also added a 1-up victory before Tate Chumley's 1-up thriller sent the Skyhawks one step closer to a conference championship.

UT Martin then capped off its successful week with the triumph over Tennessee Tech, who had won the 54-hole stroke play portion of the event by five shots. Bryson Morrell and Jonathan Xoinis each carded sizeable 5&4 victories before Tate Chumley sealed the win on the final hole.

The NCAA Regionals on May 16-18 are next on tap for the Skyhawks, who will be assigned to one of six locations: Bryan, Texas; Columbus, Ohio; New Haven, Conn.; Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.; Stockton, Calif. or Tuscaloosa, Ala. A watch party to celebrate the 2022 OVC champion UT Martin squad will take place on Wednesday, May 4 at the Champion's Club level of the Hardy Graham Stadium pressbox. The NCAA Regionals field will be revealed live on the Golf Channel at 3 p.m. as further details for the watch party will be made available at a later date.



DYNAMIX

PHYSICAL THERAPY



WEST TENNESSEE'S LEADER IN

PHYSICAL THERAPY & SPORTS MEDICINE

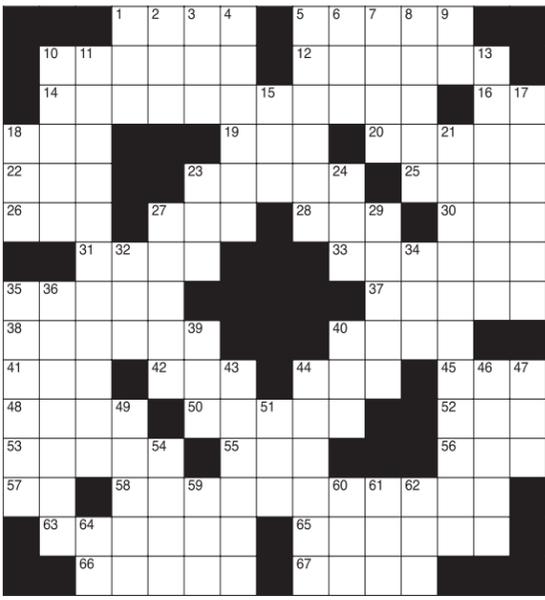
Our therapists specialize in manual therapy, a hands-on based treatment unique to this region. Our customized approach to care has established us as the elite provider for orthopedic and athletic rehabilitation, along with workers' compensation.

Visit **dynamix.life** for more information

- BROWNSVILLE
- COVINGTON
- DYERSBURG
- GREENFIELD
- HUMBOLDT
- JACKSON
- MCKENZIE
- MILAN
- MILLINGTON
- PARIS
- TRENTON
- UNION CITY



PUZZLES & ENTERTAINMENT

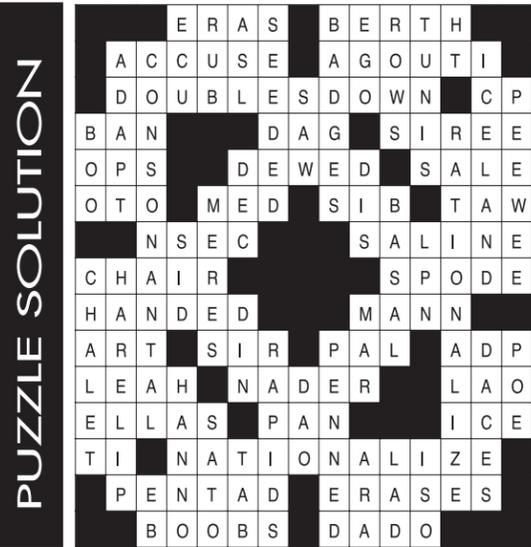


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Amounts of time
- 5. A ship's place at a wharf
- 10 Point a finger at
- 12 Large, burrowing rodent
- 14. Raises the stakes
- 16. Measure of illumination
- 18. Cast out
- 19. One who is staid
- 20. A word used for emphasis
- 22. Military missions
- 23. Wet with rain
- 25. Selling at specially reduced prices
- 26. Word element meaning ear
- 27. ___ student,
- 28. Blood relation
- 30. Make into leather
- 31. One billionth of a second (abbr.)
- 33. Containing salt
- 35. A seat
- 37. A type of fine pottery
- 38. You're caught red-__!
- 40. "Heat" director Michael
- 41. Expression of creative skill
- 42. Title of respect
- 44. Crony
- 45. Payroll experts
- 48. Actress Remini
- 50. Famed consumer advocate
- 52. Indigenous Thai person
- 53. Fitzgerald and Baker are two
- 55. Cooking tool
- 56. Decorate a cake with frosting
- 57. The seventh note of a major scale
- 58. Transfer from private to state ownership
- 63. A set of five
- 65. Removes
- 66. Foolish persons
- 67. Lower parts of a wall

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Old EU money
- 2. Some put it on steak
- 3. Sign language
- 4. Sowed on the ground
- 5. Tags
- 6. Everyone has one
- 7. Arguments
- 8. N. African capital
- 9. Midgame (abbr.)
- 10. Change as needed
- 11. Functioning as a consonant
- 13. An island in the north Atlantic
- 15. Carpenter's tool
- 17. Small football player
- 18. Ghosts say it
- 21. Explain through logic
- 23. Having ten
- 24. Criticize
- 27. Arms of the sea
- 29. Belonging to a bottom layer
- 32. ___ Caesar, comedian
- 34. Licensed health care pro (abbr.)
- 35. Swiss cottage
- 36. Cleft lip
- 39. Loud, unpleasant noise
- 40. Disfigure
- 43. Kayakers traverse them
- 44. Authored
- 46. Small freshwater fishes
- 47. Macabre poet
- 49. Carthaginian statesman
- 51. Principle underlying the universe
- 54. Common Japanese surname
- 59. The bill in a restaurant
- 60. Small constellation
- 61. Chap
- 62. Equal
- 64. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)



GREAT GARDEN WORD SEARCH

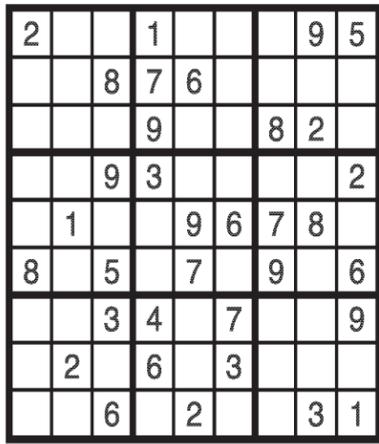


Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

- ANNUAL
- CLAY
- CLIMATE
- CLIMBING
- COMPOST
- CONTAINER
- DAPPLED
- DECIDUOUS
- DROUGHT
- FERTILIZER
- FILLER
- HARDINESS
- HOSE
- HOUSEPLANT
- IRRIGATE
- MOUNDED
- MULCH
- PERENNIAL
- ROOTS
- SHADE
- SOIL
- SUN
- TOLERANCE
- TRAILING

SUDOKU



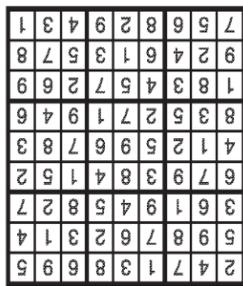
Level: Beginner

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



ANSWER:



Solve the code to discover words related to gardens. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 18 = L)

A. 26 18 5 10 8 11

Clue: Living organisms

B. 11 25 6 18

Clue: Upper layer of Earth

C. 8 6 18 18 6 10 22

Clue: Cultivating land

D. 5 20 12 10 9

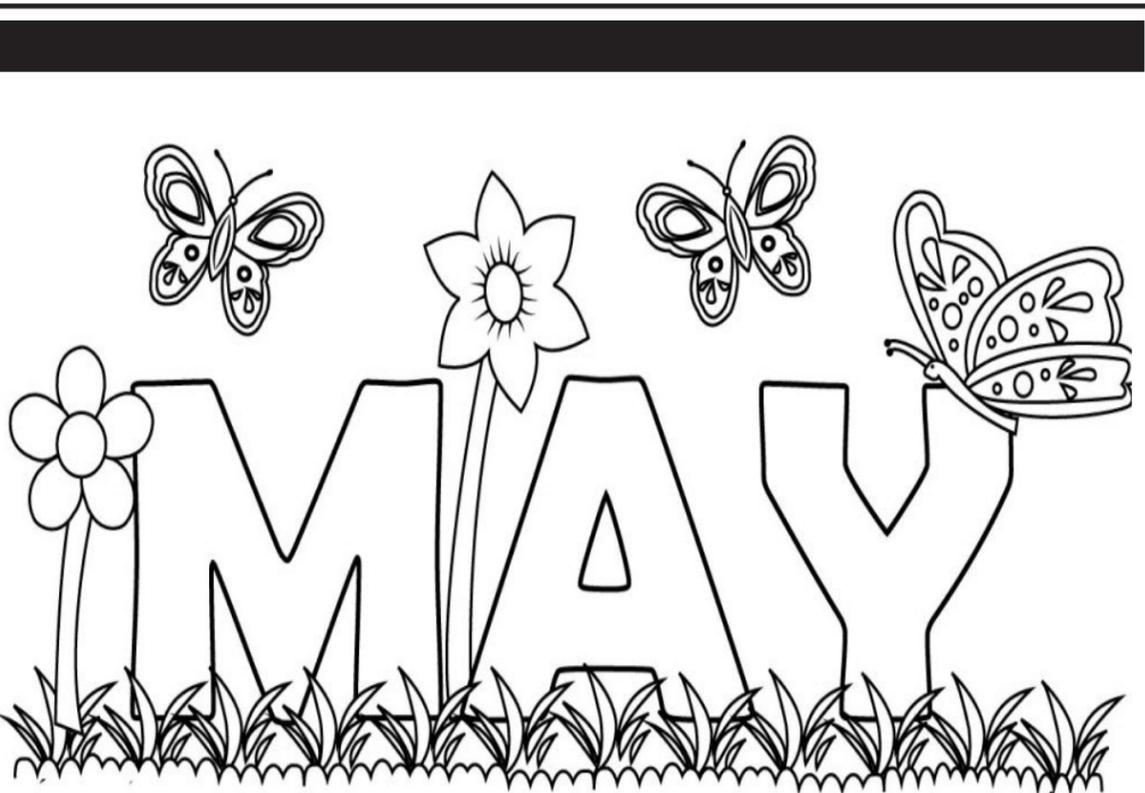
Clue: Modify

Answers: A. plants B. soil C. tilling D. amend

Guess Who?

I am an actor born in California on May 12, 1981. I had minor roles before landing a role in a popular TV series about a shy computer hacker. In 2019, I won an Academy Award for playing a world famous rock singer.

Answer: Rami Malek



INSPIRATION

VICTORIOUS *Living*

in a troubled world

Make the dark smaller

Teresa LeNeave
Leneave2@comcast.net

In Dean Koontz book, *Brother Odd*. Odd Thomas says, “This is the best of all things we can do for one another: Make the dark small.” I can’t help but relate to that quote. I have a friend who is very, very sick. I have another person in my life whose spiritual well-being is tittering on dangerous. I’ve had a recent death in the family. With this, and so much more going on, Odd Thomas’ quote reminds me that there is always someone who is bleeding. They may be bleeding physically, emotionally, mentally, spiritually, or all of these at once. One thing is sure Christian’s bleed, too.

It’s hard to know what to say when a friend is going through difficult times. It’s hard to know how to help a bleeding person. How do you help someone whose making terrible choices; opening doors that may lead to a downward spiral? When someone is hurting, the best we can do is try to make the dark smaller. Try to ease their pain and lessen the darkness.

I know many of you readers are also experiencing bleeding

in your lives. If not in your lives, it’s in the lives of people you know. We want to fix it for everyone, but somehow, we can’t. People going through a difficult time due to spiritual, emotional, physical or mental anguish are rarely clearheaded so reasoning is not normally going to be the answer. What is?

Years from now, it’s not our words that will be remembered, it’s our kindness and genuine concern. We can be kind and we can pray. The world may never know the hours you’ve prayed or the tears you’ve shed, but God knows. Remember there is a ledger kept in heaven and even though the person on earth may never know, God knows how much you’ve prayed.

“When I woke up and the dark wasn’t gone yet, and the dark seemed so big, then she sang soft and made the dark small again.”

That is the best of all things we can do for one another: Make the dark small.

*Dean Koontz,
Brother Odd*

The Bible says our tears are bottled up. God doesn’t forget your acts of love and kindness or the prayers you pray for people you love.

Kindness goes a long way. Check on them. Call, text or visit. Listen if they want to talk and let them cry if they want to cry. Stay in touch – don’t ignore them or the trouble they’re in. I’m reminded of the Samaritan on the road to Jerico. Everyone walked by and ignored the bleeding man except the Samaritan. Jesus had nothing but praise for the one who stopped to help the bleeding man. He was the one person who tried to make the dark smaller. We can never get rid of all problems, but we can make the dark smaller. Jesus said, “What you’ve done to the least of these, you’ve done it unto me”.

Are we making the dark smaller or are we heaping on the darkness? Start where you are. Make the dark smaller for the ones in your household. Jesus said he was sent to heal the broken hearted.

To set the captive free and to set at liberty those who are bound. What can we do? I agree with Odd Thomas: Make the dark smaller.

GotQUESTIONS.ORG

“Is it wrong to be angry with God?”

Answer: Being angry at God is something that many people, both believers and unbelievers, have wrestled with throughout time. When something tragic happens in our lives, we ask God the question, “Why?” because it is our natural response. What we are really asking Him, though, is not so much “Why, God?” as “Why me, God?” This response indicates two flaws in our thinking. First, as believers we operate under the impression that life should be easy, and that God should prevent tragedy from happening to us. When He does not, we get angry with Him. Second, when we do not understand the extent of God’s sovereignty, we lose confidence in His ability to control circumstances, other people, and the way they affect us. Then we get angry with God because He seems to have lost control of the universe and especially control of our lives. When we lose faith in God’s sovereignty, it is because our frail human flesh is grappling with our own frustration and our lack of control over events. When good things happen, we all too often attribute it to our own achievements and success. When bad things happen, however, we are quick to blame God, and we get angry with Him for not preventing it, which indicates the first flaw in our thinking—that we deserve to be immune to unpleasant circumstances.

Tragedies bring home the awful truth that we are not in charge. All of us think at one time or another that we can control the outcomes of situations, but in reality it is God who is in charge of all of His creation. Everything that happens is either caused by or allowed by God. Not a sparrow falls to the ground nor a hair from our head without God knowing about it (Matthew 10:29-31). We can complain, get angry, and blame God for what is happening. Yet if we will trust Him and yield our bitterness and pain to Him, acknowledging the prideful sin of trying to force our own will over His, He can and will grant us His peace and strength to get us through any difficult

situation (1 Corinthians 10:13). Many believers in Jesus Christ can testify to that very fact. We can be angry with God for many reasons, so we all have to accept at some point that there are things we cannot control or even understand with our finite minds.

Our understanding of the sovereignty of God in all circumstances must be accompanied by our understanding of His other attributes: love, mercy, kindness, goodness, righteousness, justice, and holiness. When we see our difficulties through the truth of God’s Word—which tells us that our loving and holy God works all things together for our good (Romans 8:28), and that He has a perfect plan and purpose for us which cannot be thwarted (Isaiah 14:24, 46:9-10)—we begin to see our problems in a different light. We also know from Scripture that this life will never be one of continual joy and happiness. Rather, Job reminds us that “man is born to trouble as surely as sparks fly upward” (Job 5:7), and that life is short and “full of trouble” (Job 14:1). Just because we come to Christ for salvation from sin does not mean we are guaranteed a life free from problems. In fact, Jesus said, “In this world you will have trouble,” but that He has “overcome the world” (John 16:33), enabling us to have peace within, in spite of the storms that rage around us (John 14:27).

One thing is certain: inappropriate anger is sin (Galatians 5:20; Ephesians 4:26-27, 31; Colossians 3:8). Ungodly anger is self-defeating, gives the devil a foothold in our lives, and can destroy our joy and peace if we hang on to it. Holding on to our anger will allow bitterness and resentment to spring up in our hearts. We must confess it to the Lord, and then in His forgiveness, we can release those feelings to Him. We must go before the Lord in prayer often in our grief, anger, and pain. The Bible tells us in 2 Samuel 12:15-23 that David went before the throne of grace on behalf of his sick baby, fasting, weeping, and praying for him to survive. When the baby passed away, David got up and worshiped the Lord and

then told his servants that he knew where his baby was and that he would someday be with him in God’s presence. David cried out to God during the baby’s illness, and afterward he bowed before Him in worship. That is a wonderful testimony. God knows our hearts, and it is pointless to try to hide how we really feel, so talking to Him about it is one of the best ways to handle our grief. If we do so humbly, pouring out our hearts to Him, He will work through us, and in the process, will make us more like Him.

The bottom line is can we trust God with everything, our very lives and the lives of our loved ones? Of course we can! Our God is compassionate, full of grace and love, and as disciples of Christ we can trust Him with all things. When tragedies happen to us, we know God can use them to bring us closer to Him and to strengthen our faith, bringing us to maturity and completeness (Psalm 34:18; James 1:2-4). Then, we can be a comforting testimony to others (2 Corinthians 1:3-5). That is easier said than done, however. It requires a daily surrendering of our own will to His, a faithful study of His attributes as seen in God’s Word, much prayer, and then applying what we learn to our own situation. By doing so, our faith will progressively grow and mature, making it easier to trust Him to get us through the next tragedy that most certainly will take place.

So, to answer the question directly, yes, it is wrong to be angry at God. Anger at God is a result of an inability or unwillingness to trust God even when we do not understand what He is doing. Anger at God is essentially telling God that He has done something wrong, which He never does. Does God understand when we are angry, frustrated, or disappointed with Him? Yes, He knows our hearts, and He knows how difficult and painful life in this world can be. Does that make it right to be angry with God? Absolutely not. Instead of being angry with God, we should pour out our hearts to Him in prayer, and trust that He is in control of His perfect plan.



Encouraging Words BY NISHA BURKHART

There is Hope

I have a question for you: What are you hoping for? What are you expecting in life? Are you looking for something good to happen or are you expecting to be disappointed?

So many people are feeling hopeless these days. However, Jesus did not die for us to be hopeless. He died so that we could be full of hope.

The devil wants to

steal your hope and he will lie to you. He’ll tell you that nothing good can happen in your life or that the things you care about won’t last. If you’re struggling with a difficult situation, he’ll tell you it will never end. But you have to stay full of hope and remember that the devil is a liar. God can change everything!

Our Father is good, and He has good plans for your life. If you

will maintain your hope, especially in the midst of troubled and uncertain times, He has promised you “double for your trouble”. So refuse to give up hope. Start expecting God to do something, something good!

Prayer: Lord, my hope is in You. Satan is a liar and I will not listen to him and lose hope. I expect You to do good things in my life.



Blair Bailey, APRN



Joseph Blackmon, MD



Christy Hart, APRN

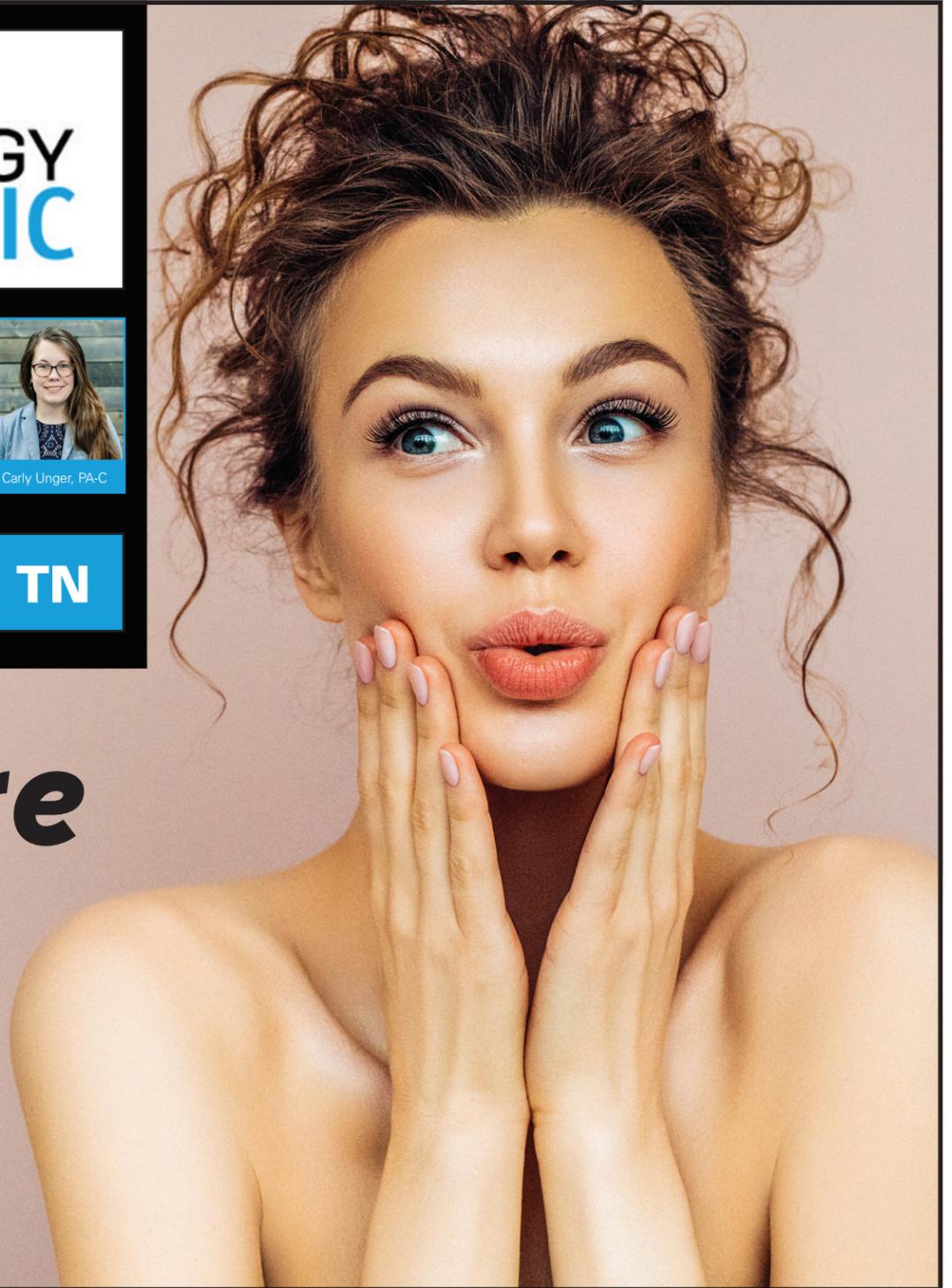


Halden H. Ford, M.D.



Carly Unger, PA-C

105 HWY 431 - Martin, TN



**Take Care
of Your
Skin!**

Accepting New Patients

Call 270-444-8477

**to Schedule an Appointment at the Martin Office
or Any of Our Locations.**

PADUCAH

3101 Parisa Drive
Paducah, KY 42003

(270) 444-8477

Monday - Friday
8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

MARSHALL CO.

619 Old Symsonia Rd
Benton, KY 42025

(270) 444-8477

Monday Only
8:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

MARTIN, TN

105 Highway 431
Martin, TN 38237

(270) 444-8477

Tuesday - Thursday
8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

www.paducahderm.com