

Village of Buckingham Springs

Newsletter

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR:

Spring is in The Air

There's something about spring that feels especially meaningful in our community. After the quieter winter months and all the snow, the sunshine lingers a little longer, flowers begin to bloom and birds are chirping, the pollen floating on everything. Our village is once again alive with friendly waves and familiar faces.

Spring is a season of renewal, not just for our gardens, but for our connections. It's the perfect time to step outside, attend a community gathering, try a new activity, or simply sit on the porch and enjoy a conversation with a neighbor. In a 55+ community like ours, we understand the value of time, friendships, and shared experiences. Each season gives us another opportunity to make the most of them.

You may notice fresh landscaping, budding trees, and perhaps even a few new neighbors joining us. Let's make it a point to extend a warm welcome, offer a helping hand and continue building the sense of belonging that makes our community so special.

Spring also reminds us that it's never too late to start something new – whether it's planting a small flower bed, joining a walking group, volunteering, or reconnecting with an old hobby.

As we move into this beautiful season, may we enjoy the sunshine, appreciate the friendships around us, and take pride in the vibrant, caring place we call home.

Don't forget to do your spring cleaning. Spring cleaning is not just a suggestion; it's a full body workout. It's almost time to get your bathing suit ready, the pool will be opening on Saturday, May 23rd.

Here's to a fresh beginning and bright day ahead

Nancy McGinty, Editor

THIS 'N HAT: SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

If you have changes, corrections, or additions to the activities in the clubhouse, please provide them to Sue Lewis at slewis@mckeegroup.net

BEAD SOCIETY	1 st Wed. 7 pm	FITNESS & PILATES	Wed. 1:30 pm & 2:15 pm
BEREAVEMENT GROUP	1 st Tues. 11 am	GARDENING CLUB	2 nd Tuesday 7:00 pm
BIBLE STUDY	2 nd & 4 th Thurs. 10 am	GERONIMO	Last Sunday 7:00 pm
BINGO	1 st Friday 6:30 pm	GOLF	Mon. Gather 8:00 am;
BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK	3 rd Wed. 10 am		Tee off 8:10 am weather permitting
BOOK CLUB	3 rd Mon. 7 pm	GIRLS NIGHT OUT!	To Be Announced
BOWLING.....	Thurs 12 noon	HORSESHOES (Ladies)	Tues. 5:00 pm
BRIDGE	Wednesday 1 pm	KNIT & CROCHET	2 nd Wednesday 10:00 am
CANASTA	Monday 6:30 pm	MAHJONG	Tuesday 1:00 pm
CHAIR YOGA	Mon. 2pm; Fri. 11am	PHASE 10	Thursday 7 pm
CIRCLE OF FRIENDS	Last Wed. 10 am	PICKLEBALL	Wed. 11:30 am & Fri. 1:00 pm
COFFEE KLATCH	Tues. & Thurs. 8:00 am	PINOCHLE	Thursday 7:00 pm
COLORING CLUB	Mon. 10 am	POKER	Wednesday 6:30 pm
CORNHOLE	Saturday 10am	POOL(Men's)	Tues & Thurs 6:30 pm
CRAFT GROUP	1 st Sunday 1 pm	POOL (Ladies)	Sun. 5:30 pm
DANCE CLASS	Tues. 12 noon	QUILT MAKING.....	3 rd Wed. 10 am
DARTS (Men's)	Wed. 6:30 pm	SHUFFLEBOARD	Tues. 2:30 pm
DARTS (Women's)	Mon. 4:00 pm	TEXAS HOLD-EM	Tues. 6:30 pm
ELECTRONICS	2 nd and 4 th Thurs. 7 pm	WALK AWAY	M – F 9:00 am; Sat. 8:00 am
FITNESS FIESTA	Mon. 1 pm; Fri. 10 am		

Welcome NEW NEIGHBORS

Margare Langdon148 Raven Court
Thomas & Rebecca
Wilschutz 183 Spring Meadow Circle
Michael & Maureen
McGonagle 529 Honeysuckle Court
Linda Kinderman
& Stacey Stover 214 Dove Court
Karen McGowan 436 Spring Meadow Circle



LIBRARY

Don't forget about the Library in the Clubhouse just inside the door, on the right. There are many newer and older books by popular authors for you to borrow. We look for donations of books 2020 or newer. Feel free to drop them off in the Library. The Library is maintained by residents who volunteer an hour or so a week to reshelve books and straighten up. If you would like to be a Library Helper, or would like further information about the Library or just have a question or comment, you can reach Susan Lang, drslan95@gmail.com.

Best Wishes,
Maryellen Paget • Cell – 609-254-5616

From the Management Office:

We hope you are enjoying the warmer temperatures—spring has finally arrived!

Verizon Phone Service Update

Verizon has provided a design plan for a potential fiber upgrade for the community. Management is currently reviewing the proposed scope of work to determine whether this project is feasible for Buckingham Springs.

We will continue to keep residents informed as we evaluate this project and receive additional information.

Snow plow damage

We are aware that some lawns and common areas were damaged during snow removal this winter. Our maintenance team will be working street by street to repair the affected areas as the weather improves.

Residents do not need to contact the office to report damage. All affected areas will be addressed as part of this process.

Staying informed

We strive to keep residents informed about important community updates. The best ways to stay connected are:

- Community Eblasts – Emails with updates about events, water bill reminders, trash schedule changes, and other important notices.

If you are not currently receiving these emails and would like to be added to the list, please contact: Nancy McGinty at nmcginty@mckeegroup.net

- Postings at the mail stations
- Community bulletin board in the Clubhouse
- Village of Buckingham Springs website: www.vobsc CPA.com

Swimming Pool

Pool season is right around the corner! The pool opens on Saturday, May 23rd. Pool hours remain the same:

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 12:00 – 8:00 pm;
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday 11:00am – 7:00 pm.

Residents must show their Village ID card to gain access to the pool.

An insert included with this newsletter provides instructions for purchasing pool passes.

Bus Driver

Please welcome Terry Gibbons as your new bus driver! Terry has many years of driving experience and is looking forward to starting his new role with Buckingham Springs. Terry is also new to the neighborhood so please take a minute to say hello and welcome Terry to the Community.

Office schedule

Our office hours are Monday through Friday: 8am – 4pm.

The office will be closing at noon on Friday, April 3rd for Good Friday.

The office will be closed on Monday, May 25th for Memorial Day. **Trash and recycling service will be pushed back one day and will be collected on Wednesday, May 27th.**

Amy Grzywinski

Community Manager



This bus always leaves
the parking lot at 9:30 am,
unless you are notified.

We have a new bus driver!

It is with great pleasure that I would like to introduce *Terry Gibson* to you. He has vast experience driving school buses and other transportation.

Sign up for the following trips will be **Monday, March 16 at 10:15** for name sheets and 10:30 for the drawing of names.

Reminder: A person may sign up another person from the same household.

Any other names will be put on a separate list to be added at the end of signups as vacancies occur.

March 23 – *Wind Creek Casino*

March 25 – *CB East performance for those who have already sign up*

March 30 – *Kitchen Kettle/Jake's*

April 1 – *Longwood Gardens \$30*

April 8 – *“Live” Casino*

April 10 – *Shady Maple*

April 13 – *Crab Trap*

April 17 – *Sweet Spot Tour*

April 20 – *Lost Caverns \$17.50*

April 24 – *Booth's Farm Market*

April 27 – *Beer Tour*

This bus always leaves at 9:30 unless otherwise noted!



Come Travel with your Family and Friends in 2026!

The trips listed below are available to residents and non-residents.



Niagara Falls • June 14 - 17, 2026

FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE APRIL 24TH

2 SEATS AVAILABLE!

Trip includes round trip motorcoach transportation, • 3 nights' accommodations in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, 3 expanded continental breakfasts with hot choices, • 3 full dinners, full days of local guides, and all the sites at the Falls on the Canadian side with Niagara-on- the Lake.

\$865 pp – double occupancy

Insurance checks should be made out to *Curran Travel, Inc.*



Tall Ships • Saturday, July 4 (Pending)

Trip includes transportation on our bus and a stop for a meal on the way home.



Cape May • September 21 – 24

Trip includes round trip motor coach transportation, 3 nights' accommodation at Inn of Cape May, 2 lunch/dinners, and Physick Estate with trolley tour

Single person - \$922.25 per person
Double occupancy (king size bed) - \$1,152.25

Suite for 2 people - \$1,225.51
Suite for 3 people - \$1,540.74

Final Payment is due July 3.



Oktoberfest at Doolan's, Spring Lake, NJ October 7

Motor coach transportation, 1 hr. open bar, salad & soup, choice of Sauerbraten, Chicken Kiev or Salmon, dessert, wine and other drinks during lunch. Bavarian Show Band and Comedian

\$133 per person

Final Payment is due August 25.



Rockettes in New York City December 8 or 9

Information as soon as it is available when the tickets go on sale.
Price will include motorcoach transportation, show tickets, and dinner.

More information will be posted for these trips at the mailboxes, clubhouse bulletin board, and in future newsletters or call Sue Lewis in the office 215-598-7600 ext. 6

All checks for travel are always made out to the Buckingham Social Club.



BOOK CLUB

The Book Club resumed their meetings on March 16th. The name of the book for April is “The Lion Women of Tehram” by Maryanne Kamali. Kathy LeDonni will be back from Florida and will be at the April 20th meeting.

Kathy LeDonni

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS



Protect Your Assets!
**Workshop on Long Term
Planning Set For May**

The Buckingham Springs Circle of Friends will present a workshop on how to protect your assets in the final years of your life. Elder care attorney Maureen Anderson will discuss steps you can take now to protect your assets, navigate Medicare/Medicaid, long-term care, estate planning and administration.

“For most people, the need for assistance with elder law is inevitable. We all grow old and many will need care for themselves,” Ms. Anderson said.

The workshop will be held on Monday, May 11 at 3:30 in the clubhouse. Refreshments will be served.

independent group of volunteers has organized into the Buckingham Springs Circle of Friends, whose mission is to give a temporary helping hand to those during an unusual time of need. The group will help residents – new and established – meet people, and become familiar with events, activities, and amenities.

“Everyone needs a village,” said Renee Tomlinson, co-chair of the group. “And every village needs caring friends who foster a feeling of inclusion and neighborliness. We are committed to helping those who are experiencing an unusual time of need,” said Renee. “We can be a friendly ear and provide a temporary helping hand to assist in a specific task.”

In addition, the group is gathering professional and personal resources to share with residents whose needs are ongoing. These resources include grocery and pharmacy delivery services, low-cost transportation services and US Postal Services’ “door delivery,” when a resident cannot get to the mailboxes.

The group has had two organizational meetings. Some 28 volunteers have been assembled along the community’s housing areas. Each area has a Circle of Friends leader and several “helpers.” Specifics on area breakdowns and the friends assigned to them will be available later this month.

The Circle of Friends is an outgrowth and expansion of the former Sunshine Committee and will take over some of those duties such as sending cards to residents at a time of need. In addition, they will send a card greeting new residents, providing them with information on ways to reach their Circle of Friends representative.

“Our goal is to foster a sense of belonging with everyone in our village,” Said Gail Purpura, co-chair of the group, “and spread the understanding that kindness opens every door.”

GERONIMO

It was a disappointing January and February for Geronimo because of the weather. Now let’s start a new year with one of the Village’s favorite activities. A \$5.00 entrance fee plays 8 games, with prizes of \$40.00. Geronimo has been able to fund gifts. Past donations included 10 white jumbo noodles for the pool, ice cream sandwiches for the attendees, seasonal gifts for the attendees at Thanksgiving and Christmas, hot dog vouchers to benefit our Veterans group, a bench at Spring Meadow and Thrush Circle, and gift bags for the Council Rock Choir when they sang for us in December.

So come for a fun night the last Sunday of each month, 7:00-8:30. If you come alone, we will seat you. We promise this will become your favorite.

Brad and Dale Cagnello



DART LEAGUE

In the Buckingham Springs Men’s Dart League as of March 11th, the playoffs have started. The season final records are: Jeff Braun has the highest game with a 34. Bruce Ross and Charlie Monahan with 33 have the second highest games. Bruce Ross and Ken Magrann both have 31. High-series are by Jeff Braun 79, Bruce Ross 77 and Charlie Monahan 76. Bob Christmas has the only “Ginsberg” (nine in one inning). Jeff Braun, Dave Rutola, Bruce Ross, Charlie Monahan, Bob Ryan, Pete Duchowski and Charlie Hetrick have all shot an “eight” in one inning.

Mike Hennelly



CORNHOLE LEAGUE

The Buckingham Springs Cornhole league as of March 14th have played 16 weeks. The Silver Team: Mark Gonzalez and Cheryl Gonzalez, Gary and Ann Fox are in first place with a 43-5 record. The Gold Team: Vince Pivnicny, Linda Maser, Bill Frank, Jeff Braun are right behind them with a 41-7 record. Our league will be ending our sixth year with the championship games on April 12th. The people who signed the new signup list in September can be called to substitute by for team.

Mike Hennelly

WOMEN'S HORSESHOES



Women's Horseshoes is starting up again in the Clubhouse on Tuesdays starting June 2nd until August 25th at 5:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

We use rubber quoits, so not much strength is needed.

Come join your neighbors for some friendly competition, and a few laughs.

Cheryl Gonzalez



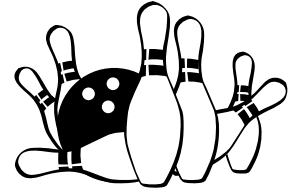
CRAFT CLUB

Welcome Spring Crafters! Thank goodness us crafters had a great hobby to help us get through this awful cold and snowy winter. Back by popular request, we have scheduled a rock painting day on Sunday April 12th. If you have never attended a craft day, this is a great one to come check us out. A painted rock is a perfect small addition to your garden or patio table. Google some ideas in advance. I will have a variety of paint colors and markers to help you create a one-of-a-kind piece. In May, you will have an opportunity to create a framed piece of artwork using your old jewelry, broken jewelry, and sentimental pieces. For the month of June, we are planning to make a wine bottle solar light to use for your summer parties.

Sign-up sheets are always on the bulletin board in the clubhouse, and the \$5.00 fee must be paid in advance to help offset my supply cost. I can be reached at 215-738-1248 or kathrynconti@yahoo.com.

Kathy Conti

BOWLING NEWS



Can you believe the season is almost over? It will be by the time you get the next Newsletter in June. We've had some really bad weather, but it hasn't impacted our bowling so our last day will be April 30th. Our Banquet is the following week, May 7th, at Plumsteadville Inn at 2PM. The second half of our season has really brought out some fantastic scores that are at least 40 pins over average.

Doug Wagner 267, 247, Bill Lingerfield bowled 104 overage his average for a 254 plus a 217. Larry Blouch 254, 235, 224, 216, George Dillworth 235, 219, Walter Lang 233, 227, John Bofinger 227, 224, John DiRusso 225, 214, 204, 202, Joe Gervase 223, 212, 201, Scott Sugarman 218, 197, Bill Brennan 215, Mike Short 212, 194, 293, 189, Bill Fagan 200, Bob Gianfortune 190, Nick Carlente 186, Sean Gorman 183, 174, 176, Ken Magrann 180, Dennis Wuestkamp 166.

And the Ladies had a good showing as well. Donna Groff 236, 235, 223, Pat Eagle and Beth Wagner 203, Gail Novak 198, Irene Kennedy 197, 193, 186, 182, Cheryl Gonzalez 197, Maria Luna 193, Lisa DeAntonlils 193, 181, Laura Wichner 190, Denise Elliott 189, 184, Nancy Heater 187, 186, Patti DiRusso 180, 176, Carol Lingerfield 166, Janet Cimino and Sue Wark 160, Janice Master 165, 164, Sharon Shaw 138.

The Spares were great – Gail Novak 6-7 & 5-10, Mike Biddle 2-4-7-10, Denise Elliott 5-10, 3-10, 5-7, Bill Gagan & Bob Gianfortune 5-7, Bill Lingerfield 3-10, Sam Rissi 3-4, 5-7, 4-7-8, Steve Master 4-5, 5-7, Carol Lingerfield 6-7-10,

Cheryl Gonzalez 2-7-8, 5-7, Janice Master 2-7.

We hope some of our new residents will join us net season when we start on August 27th. We have our yearly bowling meeting in July and all are welcome.

I will post the date a few weeks before. We plan to have 20 times of 4 again so if you want to meet people who just like to have fun, please think about joining us...we are not a money league. Our averages range from 69 – 204 so don't be bashful if you haven't bowled in 20 or more years. That's our story!

Irene Kennedy



VETERANS

“To our men and women in uniform, past, present, and future. God Bless you and thank you”

Hello Folks Me Again.

Well we have survived some really cold and nasty weather so far. By the time you are reading this article, we will have lost an hour of sleep, we are getting more and more daylight to enjoy, we can start getting back into shorts and sandals, and we can plant our gardens because Spring will have sprung.

Regarding the vets, we have turned in our aprons, thus we will not be hosting any events that involves cooking. Having stated that, we will be having our annual Memorial Day Service and we will continue our monthly Friday Night Bingo, held on the first Friday of each month. We will still hold our annual Veterans Luncheon in the fall. We still talk about day trips and other events that we might consider worthy to put on.

I would like to point out that the 43rd Annual Bucks County Senior Games will be coming up. You can register with a \$10.00 fee. The games will be held starting June 1st and go through until June 6th. For more information you may go to their website: buckscounty.gov/senior_games or call 267-880-5700.

They are a lot of fun and you compete in your own age group so don't worry about being up against someone younger than you. There are a large variety of sporting events offered and you can sign up (no individual fee except golf) for as many as you can handle.

That is it my friends, enjoy the spring and I'll get back to you in June.

Wayne Hartman



We want to thank all of the Vets for having **Hamburger and Hot Dog Wednesday** at the pool.

Everyone looked forward to those days. We are going to try and carry out the tradition. Nancy McGinty and a group of volunteers will start on Memorial Day, Monday May 25th and every other Wednesday. There will be another volunteer meeting on Thursday April 16th at 7:00PM in the clubhouse for those who already signed up and new volunteers who would like to sign up. These are the additional dates: Wednesday June 3rd, Wednesday June 17th, Wednesday July 1st, Saturday 4th of July, Wednesday July 15th, Wednesday July 29th, August 12th, Wednesday August 26th, Wednesday September 2nd, and Labor Day Monday September 7th. Any questions call Nancy McGinty at 215-598-7600 ext 5.

Nancy McGinty, Social Director

KNIT & CROCHET CLUB



The Knit/Crochet Group meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 10:00 in the Card room. We welcome anyone who knits or crochets or who would like to learn. You can work on your own project or we have various projects at all skill levels you can work on. Yarn, needles and patterns are available if you need them. I want to thank the people who have been leaving donations in the basket. Also a special thank you to the person who left the warm winter cowls in the basket. They are already in use. We would love to have you join our group or share your pattern so the tradition can continue. The projects we make range from fingerless gloves, hats, fidget squares and lap robes to larger items like shawls and afghans. We donate our items to the veterans, nursing homes, hospice, or anyone in need of one.

If you have yarn you no longer want there is a donation box under the bulletin board at the clubhouse. Also, if you are interested in helping but can't come to the meetings, you can help with our Community Blanket. We are collecting 9x7 or 7x9 inch rectangles in any solid color or red, white and/or blue ones for the veterans. These or any other donations can be left in the basket under the bulletin board.



When there are enough collected, they are stitched together to make a blanket. (See photo of our Community Blanket)

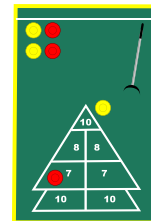
If you have any questions please feel free to call or text me. Cathi Pivnicny 617-455-2780.

Cathi Pivnicny

SCHUFFLEBOARD

Schuffleboard ended arch 3rd, 2026 with the playoff games and pizza party.

Congratulations to the First Place Team: Anna McQuaid, Jeff Braun, Dave Rutola, Marie Rutola. Second Place Team: Karen Adams, Barbara Knipe, Roz Sands, Janice Masters. Thank you Eileen and Frank for all your hard work. We have a good time, and some laughs. New season begins March 10th, 2026





GOLE ASSOCIATION

The winter of 2025-2026 has not been good to us golfers. This winter has been brutal. It feels like we had snow all winter long. And it even snow on the golf courses (it never rains on the golf course!!)

Last Monday eight of us were able to get out for the first time in months only to have cart path only and wet and muddy fairways.

All are welcome to join us any week you feel like golfing. Just contact Bob Ryan on e-mail at bob.ryan384@gmail.com or text at 215-499-9142 and I'll schedule you in a tee time with the rest of us (winter hours are 9:10 AM+ summer hours starting April 13th 8:10+ AM).

Also, save the date. Our annual golf outing will be (as always the first) Monday of October 5th.



GARDEN CLUB



The Garden Club resumed our meetings on Tuesday, March 10. We went around the table and each person had an opportunity to talk about a winter gardening season. We were then fortunate to have Abby Hartman, who is Louise and Wayne Hartman's daughter in law, and the owner of Mom's Flower Shoppe and Treasures in Peddler's Village, as well as a seasoned gardener herself, speak to us about Spring in the garden...getting the space ready to garden, sowing seeds now, improving our soil, some hints on deterring the deer, squirrels and rabbits....many topics were discussed. FYI: our area is now considered Zone 7A in the hardiness zone map, (The USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map is the standard by which gardeners and growers can determine which plants are most likely to thrive at a location, with a mid-April last frost date)

Abby is a natural gardener and speaker, and was very patient in answering questions. Pat Eagle was the lucky winner of the beautiful flower arrangement Abby brought to the meeting to raffle off. Please visit or call the Flower Shoppe for any floral needs. The Garden Club is off to a good a start and we hope to have many interesting topics and adventures again this year. Please join us on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 7pm, in the Clubhouse.

Maryellen, Cell - 609-254-5616



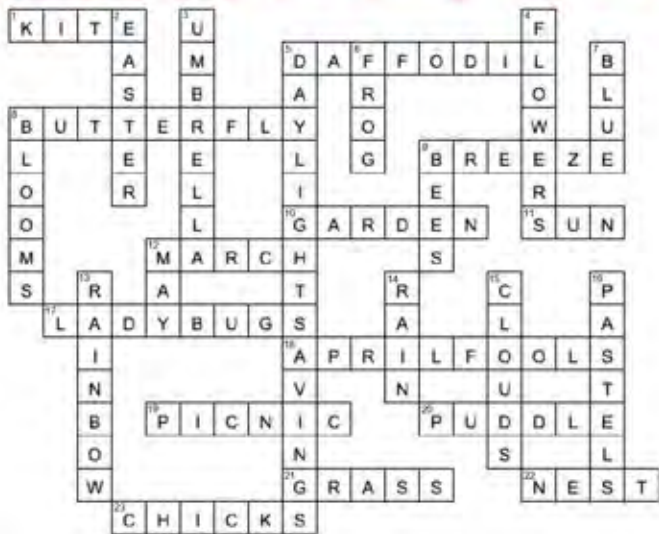
A FRIENDLY REMINDER FOR DOG OWNERS AND NIGHT TIME WALKERS: *LET'S KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE AND CLEAN!*

Our neighborhoods are shared spaces, and the way we care for them reflects the respect we have for one another. Dog waste isn't just an eyesore it's a health hazard. Left on the ground, it can contaminate the soil, spread bacteria, and create unpleasant environment for neighbors and other pets. At night, this responsibility becomes even more important, where your dog has gone, can leave an unwelcome surprise for someone else to step in the next morning. By carrying a flashlight or using your phone's light, you can see to pick up properly.

If you enjoy walking after sunset, whether with a dog, a friend, or just for some quiet time it's essential to make yourself visible to drivers. Carry a flashlight or use your phone's light. Wear reflective clothing or accessories. Walk facing traffic when sidewalks are not available?

Clean streets and safe nighttime walks don't just happen by accident they happen because people choose to be considerate. Dog owners who pick up after their pets and walkers who make themselves visible help to create a community where everyone can enjoy their surroundings without worry.

Answer to Spring Crossword Puzzle on Last Page



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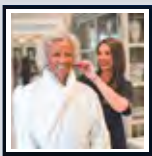


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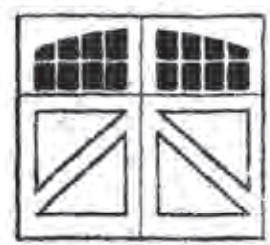
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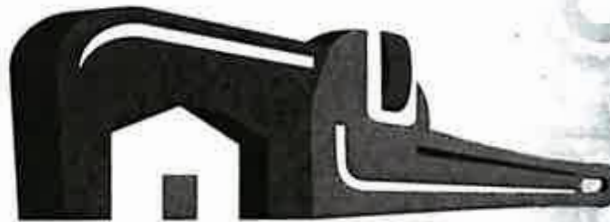


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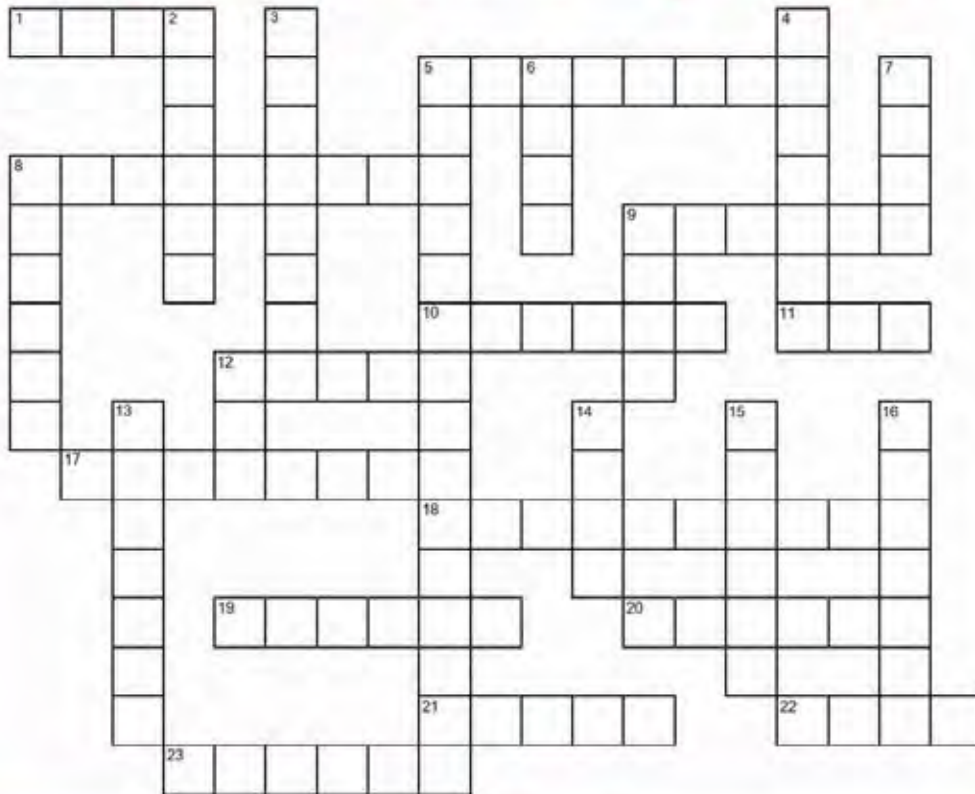
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5. Yellow spring flower.
8. Winged insect that emerges from a chrysalis.
9. A gentle wind.
10. A place where people grow flowers or vegetables.
11. Star that provides light and warmth.
12. The first month of spring.
17. Lucky red beetles with black dots.
18. Holiday when people pull pranks and make jokes.
19. A meal you have outside on the grass.
20. Small pool of water.
21. A green lawn covering.
22. Home for birds.
23. A name for baby birds.

DOWN:

2. A spring holiday when you might hunt for eggs.
3. Item that shelters you from the rain.
4. Plants with petals.
5. What it's called when the clocks "spring forward".
6. It's what a tadpole turns into when it grows up.
7. The color of the sky.
8. Another name for flowers.
9. Insects that pollinate flowers and make honey.
12. Spring month containing Mother's Day.
13. Multi-colored arc caused when light is refracted through water droplets.
14. When water droplets fall from the sky.
15. Sometimes these hide the sun.
16. Colors that are soft and muted.