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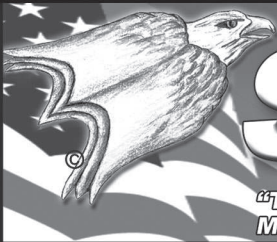


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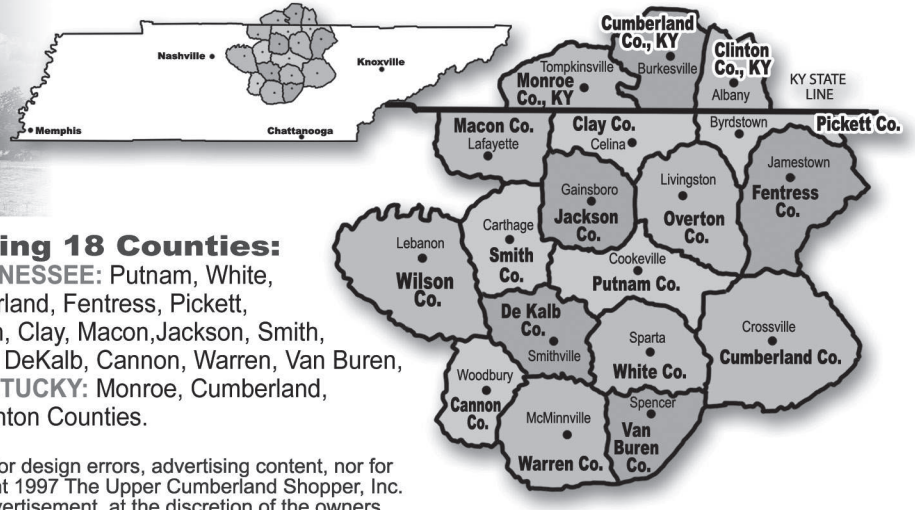
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May your father and mother rejoice; may she who gave you birth be joyful!"



Proverbs 23: 24 (NIV)

# Community Events Calendar



EMAIL: THEUCSHOPPER@GMAIL.COM FOR A FREE LISTING OF YOUR EVENT!

**ONGOING:**  
**Free Food Giveaway**  
 for Veterans every Sat. from 5:00 am until it's all gone. At Uncle Pete's Restaurant. 1210 Sparta Pike, Lebanon, TN.

**Watermelon Crawl Location:**  
 1 East Depot Ave., Downtown Monterey, TN. **Time:** 10 am - 3pm. FREE delicious watermelon slices, tasty food, vintage finds, one of a kind treasures, Farmer's Market. FREE event for all ages.

St., Cookeville, TN. **Time:** After sunset. Bring your blankets, lawn chairs and your favorite people for four fun, free nights of movies after sunset. The fourth and final featured film will be 'Hamilton'.

**Now - August Community Bank Concerts**  
**Location:** Dogwood Performance Pav., 43 N. Walnut Ave., Cookeville, TN.  
**Time:** 7:30 pm. FREE event

**June 20 Good Old Days Festival**  
**Location:** Old Putnam Co. Fairgrounds, 155 Fairground Lane, Cookeville, TN.  
**Time:** 2 - 9 pm. Join us for an unforgettable day! Demolition Derby, family fun zone, food vendors, giveaways, live entertainment.

**June 27 Annual Let Freedom Ring**  
 sponsored by the City of Algood **Location:** Algood Ball Fields, 159 4th Ave., Algood, TN. **Time:** 5 - 9 pm. Live music, entertainment, food, games, and activities for the whole family. Fireworks at dusk.

**June 5 - 25 The Tiny Show**  
**Location:** Fiddlehead Gallery, located at The Silver Fern on 46 W. Broad St., Cookeville, TN. **Time:** Contact Gallery for times.

**June 22 Cookeville Art Camp for Kids**  
**Location:** Cookeville Art Studio & Gallery, 186 S. Walnut Ave., Suite A., Cookeville, TN. **Time:** 10 am - 3 pm. Only 20 spots available. Cost is \$110. Week long camps filled with hands on art projects, creativity and fun. Give your child a summer full of imagination and art filled memories!

**July 4 11th Red White & Boom** **Location:** 155 Fairground Lane, Cookeville, TN. **Time:** 5:30 - 9:30 pm. Get ready for a night of patriotic pride, music and fireworks as we celebrate America's 250th birthday with our BIGGEST event yet! FREE admission & parking

**June 20 Third Thursdays Concert**  
**Location:** Dogwood Performance Pavilion. 30 E. Broad St., Cookeville, TN. **Time:** 7:30 - 9 pm. A different band is featured each month, covering a variety of music genres. This series is sponsored by the Cookeville Arts Council. This week's event features Clearview Bluegrass Band.

**June 26 Movie in the Park**  
**Location:** Dogwood Park, 30 E. Broad

**CONTACT INFO TO PLACE YOUR EVENT CAN BE FOUND ON PAGE ~3~ IN THE INFORMATION HEADING. ADS WILL BE EDITED FOR SPACE CONSIDERATIONS.**

The Shopper Calendar Alert:  
 Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>

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# ABSOLUTE REAL ESTATE AUCTION



807 Wildwood Avenue Lebanon, TN is an all brick front, 1,196 sq. ft. home, located in the heart of Lebanon, two blocks off of West Main St. The home has two bedrooms, 1 bath, eat in kitchen, living room and garage. The majority of the home has it's original hardwood flooring, with the 1955 nostalgic charm. Clean and turnkey. The level backyard is partially fenced, with a paved driveway and covered front porch. This home is ready for your personal touch and a new owner! Due to the proximity to Cumberland University, this property could also be a great investment or rental home. Mark your calendars!

**OPEN HOUSE Thursday June 25th 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

**Real Estate General Terms:** 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to the final bid price to determine the contract price. A 10% non-refundable deposit of the total contract price and signing of the Auction Purchase Contract immediately following the close of the auction will be required. A valid drivers license is required to register to bid. Property is being sold "AS-IS WHERE-IS". All information is believed to be correct, but not warranted or guaranteed. Day of Sale Terms and Conditions will take precedence over all oral statements, written and printed material. Close of Escrow will be on or before July 30, 2026. Seller: Cindy Faith Braddy, Executor of the Estate of Bobby Jean Hunt.

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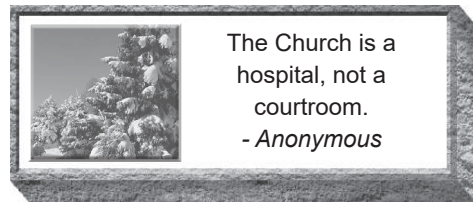
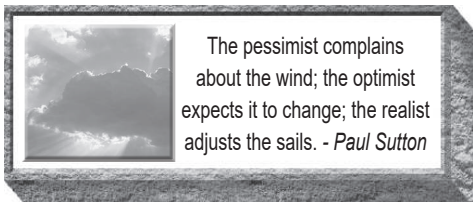
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# ABSOLUTE REAL ESTATE AUCTION

2497 Coles Ferry Pike Lebanon, TN 37087

- 1.24 Acres
- Brick / Vinyl Construction
- 2 Bedrooms, 1 Bath
- Large Shop
- Covered Back Porch



SATURDAY July 11th, 2026 10:00 a.m. On Site

Selling at Absolute Auction on July 11th on site, at 10:00 a.m., 2497 Coles Ferry Pike This property includes a 1963 built, 1,621 sq. ft., brick / vinyl, 2 bedroom, one bath home, 1.24 acre corner lot with mature trees and detached garage/workshop with electricity. The home has a front living room, extra large den, eat in kitchen and one car attached garage. The large yard is filled with mature shade trees, while still offering room for additional buildings, garden, or outdoor activities. The house has central heat and air, city water and septic system. The home will need your updates and modernizations, but offers a great location. Mark your calendars!

**OPEN HOUSE Thursday July 9th 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

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An abundant number is a number such as 12, the sum of the divisors of which (except itself) is greater than the number itself.

# AT AUCTION ONLINE & ONSITE!



## 4509 BENDERS FERRY RD., MT. JULIET, TN

### JAMES R. BUMBALOUGH & PATRICIA A. CRAWORD ESTATE

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 27th

#### 10:00 a.m.

**3 BR, 2 BA DBL WIDE HOME**  
**2 CAR ATTACHED GARAGE**  
**2 AUTOMOBILES, 18X25 CARPORT**

**OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY, JUNE 20, FROM 2:00 TILL 4:00 P.M.**

**DIRECTIONS:** From I-40 East take Exit 229B (Golden Bear Gateway). Continue north across Lebanon Road onto Benders Ferry Road. Travel approx. 4.5 miles to 4509 Benders Ferry Road, Mount Juliet, TN 37122. Property is on the left.

**DESCRIPTION:** This spacious double-wide home on a permanent foundation offers comfortable living with the convenience of being just minutes from Old Hickory Lake and approx. 30 minutes from downtown Nashville. The home features 3 bedrooms, 2 full bathrooms, a large attached garage and a spacious yard with plenty of room to enjoy the outdoors. Pride of ownership is evident through this super-clean, move-in ready property. This is an excellent opportunity for homeowners, investors, or anyone seeking a well-cared for residence in a growing area. Additional improvements include a small shop building located behind the home that will remain with the property, providing extra storage, workshop space or hobby area. A separate two-car carport will be offered and sold separately.

**AUTOMOBILES:** 2010 Nissan Frontier Crew Cab; 2015 GMC Terrain, Leather, Sunroof, 2 CAR 18X25 CARPORT.

**TERMS:** 20% down day of sale. 10% buyer's premium. Possession with deed, 2026 taxes prorated at closing. Buyer will be required to sign a waiver of all post sale inspections. All items selling as is where is with no warranties being expressed or implied.

**AUCTIONEER'S NOTE:** Pre-auction offers will be presented to the seller prior to the auction. Don't miss this opportunity to purchase a well-maintained, one-owner home in one of Mt. Juliet's most desirable locations!




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## SATURDAY, JUNE 27

### 9:00 A.M.

**LOCATION: 815 GAMALIEL ROAD, RED BOILING SPRINGS, TN 37150**  
**(REAL ESTATE TO SELL AT 12 NOON)**

**DIRECTIONS FROM RED BOILING SPRINGS:** Travel Bennett Hill Road, left onto Gamaliel Road to property and sale site on the left (signs posted).

**REAL ESTATE:** Ladies and gentlemen, this one is a Show Place...the perfect Country Estate! 7.78 acres of rolling farmland with a good combination of lush pastureland and woodland. It has an abundance of water from a spring and a well plus city water is available. This property has a (1-owner) brick house, barn and shed plus it is boundary fenced. This entire property and its improvements has been surveyed, platted and staked to be SOLD in (3) Tracts.

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## ANIMALS

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## CARS

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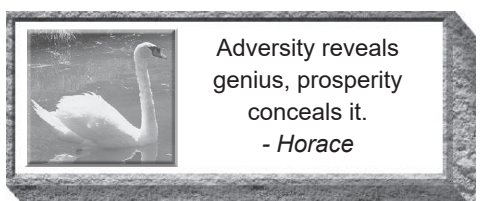
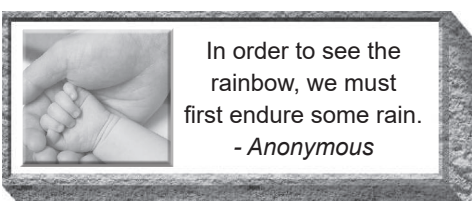
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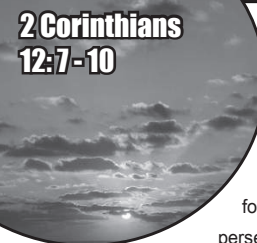
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**2 Corinthians 12:7-10**



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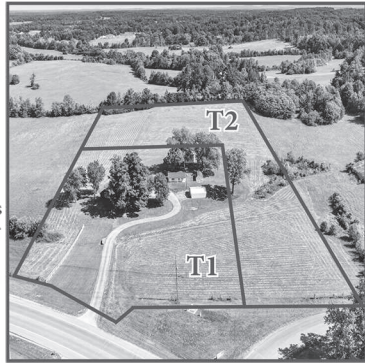
**OPEN HOUSE: TUESDAY • JUNE 16 • 4-6 PM**



**2833 Gainesboro Grade  
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Discover the possibilities with this attractive country property featuring a brick home, multiple outbuildings, and 7.84± acres of land. The property will be offered in 2 tracts, providing buyers the flexibility to purchase an individual tract or the property as a whole. The home offers 1,554± square feet of living space and includes 3 BR and 2 BA. A functional layout, attached carport, and peaceful setting make this home well-suited for everyday living or investment potential. Complementing the home are several useful improvements, including a 30' x 50' pole barn that provides ample space for equipment, vehicles, storage, hobbies, or workshop use. Two additional storage sheds and a detached metal garage offer even more room for tools and outdoor equipment. **Tract 1** consists of 2.83± acres and includes the brick home, attached carport, pole barn, and storage sheds. **Tract 2** offers 5.01± acres of additional land, presenting opportunities for agricultural, recreational, or future use. Whether you're looking for a comfortable home with acreage, valuable outbuildings, or additional land, this property offers a variety of possibilities in a desirable rural setting.



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**15+/- Acres Offered in 3 Tracts**  
**ONLINE ONLY ABSOLUTE AUCTION**  
**BIDDING ENDS THURSDAY • JUNE 25 • 12 NOON**



**Hunter Barn Ridge Rd.  
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**Near Gunnels Camp**

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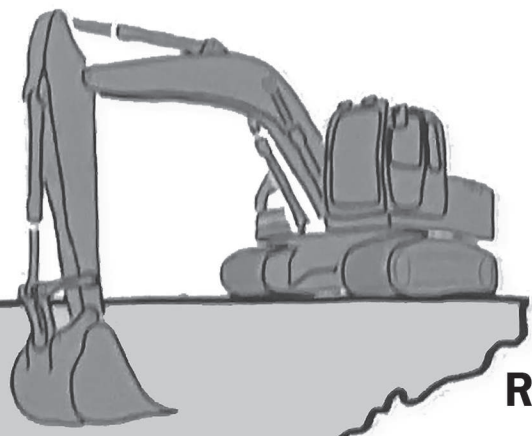
Discover the possibilities with this 15+/- acre property being offered in 3 tracts, each consisting of approximately 5+/- acres. Featuring a mostly wooded landscape with some cleared areas, this property offers a great mix of privacy, natural beauty, and usable land. Whether you are looking to build a weekend getaway, permanent residence, or investment property, these tracts provide plenty of potential. Conveniently located just minutes from Gunnels Camp at Dale Hollow Lake, you can enjoy easy access to boating, fishing, and outdoor recreation while still having a peaceful setting to call your own.

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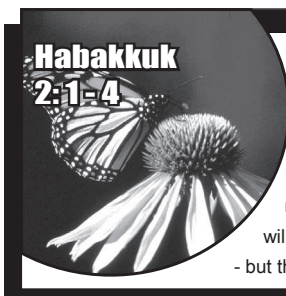
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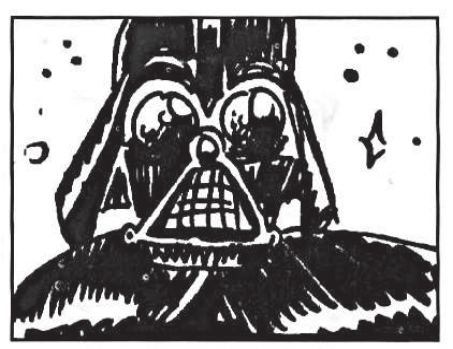

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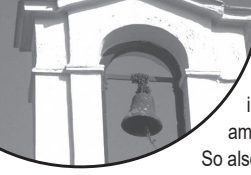
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**All About Pollinators**  
by Lisa Luck



National pollinator week is June 22-28th, 2026. Pollinators are an important part of our food chain. They are responsible for much of the variety of foods that are available for consumption. Plants and pollinators often evolve over time jointly and form an exclusive relationship. This relationship is exclusive as in no other pollinator can take the place for fertilization, and no other plant can accommodate that pollinator.

Pollination occurs when an insect or animal inadvertently or purposefully picks up pollen and spreads it throughout the plant or other plants. Although plants can be propagated through a cloning process, fertilization provides differing chromosomes giving more diversity in a plant. The goal of fertilization is reproduction and requires some type of pollinator. Bats, bees, beetles, birds, butterflies, moths, flies and the wind are all pollinators and pollinate different plants.

Once pollination occurs, plants begin producing seeds to assure the plant's ongoing existence. Dispersal of seeds happens in many different ways. Some plants grow wings or little parachutes that catch the wind and seeds are carried to distant places. Other fruits or seeds are eaten by birds and carried to a new location in bird droppings. Seeds can be dispersed by grabbing clothes or fur and traveling to a new destination under someone else's power.

Flower shape, odor, color, pollen and nectar attract specific pollinators. Learning which plants attract certain pollinators gives you a chance to determine what you want in your yard. If you have a preference for the pollinator you prefer to feed choose the flowers that best suit them. Perennial flowers are the easiest flowers to assure blooms as they do not have to be replanted each year.

Bats like flowers that are bowl shaped and open at night. Bats prefer flowers that are white, green or purple. Bees prefer flowers that are white, yellow or blue and have shallow blooms with a landing platform. Butterflies like bright flowers, especially purple and red ones. They like flowers that have a narrow tube with a spur and a wide landing pad so they can land and linger over a nice meal. Moths, bees and hummingbirds prefer tubular flowers.

Humans depend on the relationship between plants and their pollinators for many foods consumed worldwide. Fruits and vegetables that require pollination include: berries such as blueberries, blackberries and raspberries; nuts such as almonds and macadamias; melons such as watermelons, honeydew and cantaloupe; onions, avocados, grains, apples, pears, squash, carrots, broccoli and many others. Without pollination we would not have the variety of fruits and vegetables that are available now. Having access to a variety of food increases the quantity and quality of nutrients consumed, contributing to good health.

Replace your lawn to support pollinators by planting flowering trees and flowers. Wild columbine, milkweeds, false blue indigo, purple coneflower, sunflowers, native lilies, bee balm, sage, bergamot, lupine, phlox, black-eyed Susan, violets, aster, sweet William and trumpet vine or honeysuckle and weeds such as Joe Pye, boneset, goldenrod or thoroughwort are particularly satisfying to pollinators.

Lisa Luck is a writer living in Cookeville, TN

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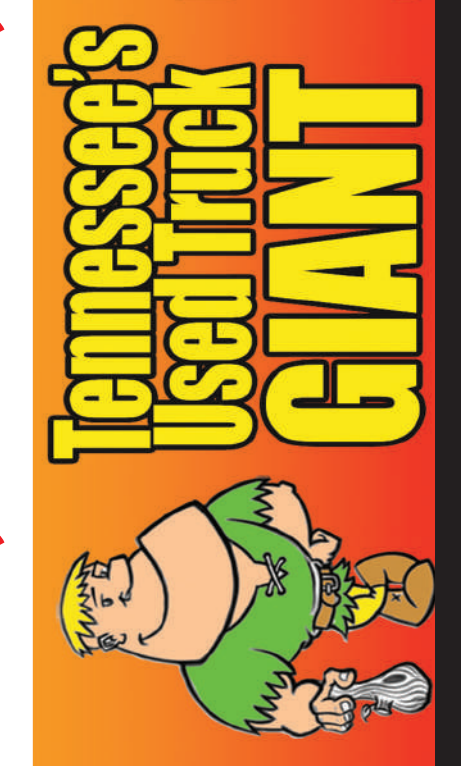
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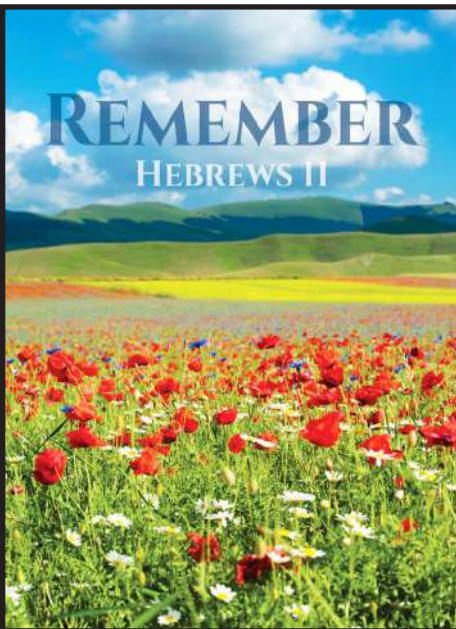


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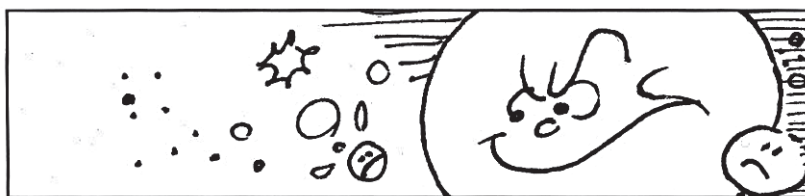


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My father also taught me to respect authority. Many years ago, just before my senior year of high school, I got my first regular job with a standard employer at a supermarket. Although I liked the job for the most part, I still complained about some parts of the job. I also complained sometimes about how my boss was being unfair to me. My father told me in reply, "The boss might not always be right, but he's always the boss." At 17 years old, I did not want to hear that, but even at that young age, I knew he was right.

Among the many other lessons that my father taught me were to count my blessings and thank God for them every day; be humble; and don't be judgemental towards other people because I've never lived their lives and don't know their history. He also taught me the importance of being generous and helping other people. The list of what I learned from my father is too long to put on paper in one sitting; however, those lessons are part of who I am today. He has been in Heaven for nearly 29 years, and I still find myself saying very often in conversations with family and friends, words that begin with: "my Dad often told me..."

To all fathers, I would like to share this observation: I did not like to hear everything that my father taught me over the years, but those lessons have stayed with me for a lifetime, and I have shared them with my own children.

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This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him.

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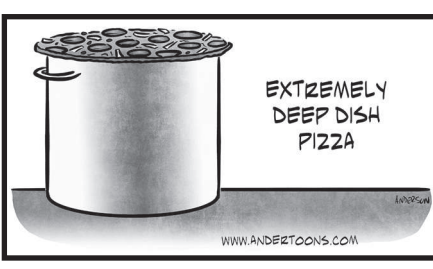
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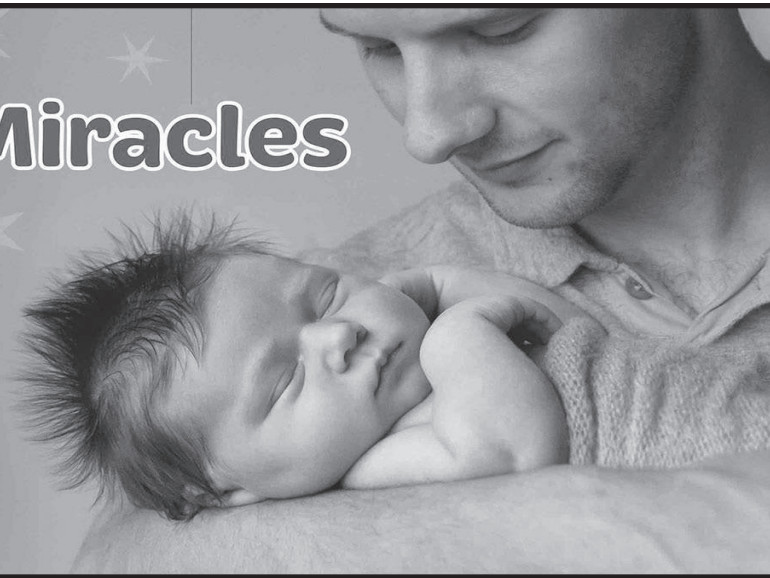
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## MAKING LIFE MORE FUN

### How Playing A Quick Puzzle Can Improve Your Workday

(NAPS)—You probably know the feeling: you've been staring at your screen for hours, your inbox keeps growing, and your next meeting starts in five minutes.

Sometimes, the best way to reset is to take a quick moment to focus on something completely different.

#### Where to Find It

Daily puzzle games have become a popular way to take those quick mental breaks, and platforms like LinkedIn are leaning into that trend. LinkedIn's newest game, Wend, blends word finding with logic-based problem solving.

"Wend is a word-finding game where players connect letters in a grid to uncover hidden words, using every letter exactly once," says Helen Smith, Group Product Manager at LinkedIn. "While it may seem like a traditional word game, it adds a logic twist, as players also have to figure out how the entire board fits together."



In addition to Wend, the LinkedIn games lineup includes word-based puzzles like Pinpoint and Crossclimb, alongside logic challenges like Queens, Tango, Mini Sudoku, Zip, and Patches, each offering a different way to exercise your brain throughout the day.



**A quick puzzle can be a simple way to reset, refocus, and recharge during the workday.**

#### 1. Why your brain needs a recharge

Stepping away from a task for even a minute or two can sometimes be exactly what's needed to return with fresh eyes.

Unlike checking email again or

scrolling through your phone, a quick puzzle gives your attention something entirely different to focus on. The result is a short reset with a clear beginning and end, making it easy to fit between meetings, projects, and other responsibilities.

"That's part of the appeal of LinkedIn's games, which can often be completed in just a few minutes," says Thomas Snyder, LinkedIn's Principal Puzzlemaster and 3-time World Sudoku Champion. "It's a quick mental break that feels especially satisfying when everything clicks into place."

#### 2. The social side of puzzle games

While LinkedIn games are played individually, they can create a great opportunity for connection with others.

Players often share scores with colleagues, discuss strategies, send puzzles to friends, or spark friendly competition through posts and messages. After you play a game, you'll see how you stack up against other players you know on a leaderboard.

"For people working across teams, offices, and time zones, games can provide an easy reason to reconnect," says Lakshman Somasundaram, Senior Director of Product at LinkedIn. "A shared puzzle score, a little friendly rivalry, or a quick discussion about strategy can turn into a meaningful conversation that can open the door to new professional opportunities."

And sometimes, according to Somasundaram, that conversation can start with something as simple as, "Did you play today's puzzle?"

#### 3. A win before the workday starts

There's something satisfying about solving a challenge before your day fully gets underway.

Completing a puzzle may not clear your inbox or finish your project plan, but it can provide a small sense of accomplishment early in the day. For many players, solving a puzzle becomes part of a daily routine—a quick challenge that helps them ease into work mode before tackling larger tasks.

#### Learn More

In a workday filled with constant notifications and multitasking, a quick puzzle may be one of the simplest ways to pause, refresh, and reconnect. To try Wend and LinkedIn's other games, visit [linkedin.com/games](https://linkedin.com/games).

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By Carmella D'Acquisto

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**Ingredients (makes 2 tuna roll ups)**

- 2 cans tuna (or 1 cup leftover tuna salad)
- 2-3 tablespoons mayonnaise
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Shredded cheddar cheese
- 2 6-inch tortillas
- Shredded lettuce
- 2-3 tablespoons ranch dressing

\*This humble meal comes together in less than five minutes. It uses only a handful of ingredients you likely already have hiding in your fridge and pantry. Great for a summer lunch, you can even prep several at a time and keep them handy for a quick snack or light meal. And if you're a fan of the McDonald's snack wrap, this will look familiar to you.

**Directions:**

1. Drain cans of tuna and mix with mayonnaise, salt and pepper, and any preferred spices or mix-ins. If you are using leftover tuna salad, skip ahead.
2. Warm the tortillas in the microwave (30 seconds will do) or in a dry skillet (a few seconds per side).
3. Spread 1 to 1.5 tablespoons of ranch on each tortilla. Spread just down the center for a more concentrated ranch flavor or over the whole tortilla for a more even flavor.
4. Scoop half of the tuna mixture down the center of each tortilla, leaving room around the edges for rolling.
5. Top with shredded cheese and lettuce to taste.
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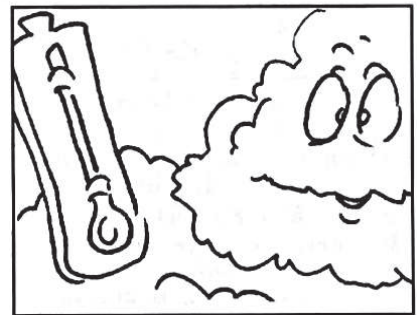
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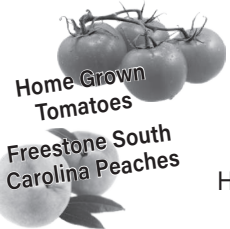


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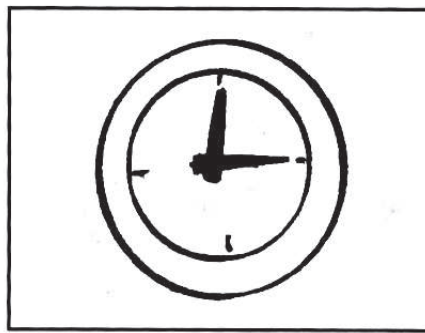
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### Managed Landscapes Help Combat Summer's Biggest Challenges

*TurfMutt Foundation Highlights How Well-Cared-For Green Spaces Cool, Clean and Protect Communities*

(NAPS)—Summer brings challenges homeowners and communities often dread: scorching heat, dusty conditions, sudden and heavy storms, and in some regions, increased wildfire risk. According to the TurfMutt Foundation, properly managed landscapes are one of the most effective—and often overlooked—tools for addressing these seasonal concerns.



**Well-cared-for green spaces cool, clean and protect homes, companies and communities.**

“People often think of parks, yards and other green space as merely decorative, but they are one of the hardest-working assets in our communities,” says Kris Kiser, President and CEO of the TurfMutt Foundation. “They help communities stay cooler, cleaner and more resilient throughout the summer months. That’s a pretty impressive return from something some may take for granted.”

Here are 4 key benefits that our parks, backyards, schoolyards and other managed green spaces do for us.

#### Cool the Air

Trees, shrubs, turfgrass and other plants combat the urban heat island effect through shade and evapotranspiration, the process by which plants release water vapor into the air. This natural cooling effect provides relief from summer heat and cools homes, businesses, and neighborhoods.

#### Capture and Filter Stormwater

Summer storms can deliver large amounts of rain unexpectedly and quickly. Healthy, managed landscapes act as living sponges, slowing rainfall’s effects by capturing and filtering water before it enters streams, rivers and groundwater supplies. This also reduces runoff and erosion and helps with localized flooding.

#### Capture Dust and Particulate Matter

Landscapes help improve air quality by trapping dust, pollen and particulate matter that would otherwise circulate during dry summer conditions.

#### Reduce Fire Risk

In areas vulnerable to wildfire, properly maintained landscapes can serve as effective fire breaks, and strategic landscape design and ongoing maintenance can create defensible space around homes and businesses. Regular mowing, pruning, irrigation and removal of dead vegetation reduces the fuel for fire and helps reduce its spread.

“Also never forget the important benefit of actively growing trees, shrubs and turfgrass capturing carbon dioxide and producing oxygen,” adds Kiser. “Healthy green spaces also support pollinators, wildlife and overall ecosystem health.”

The TurfMutt Foundation encourages homeowners, businesses and communities to properly care for and maintain their green spaces so they can continue delivering these important environmental and quality-of-life benefits throughout the summer and beyond.

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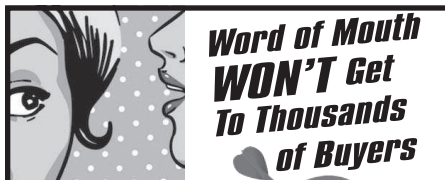
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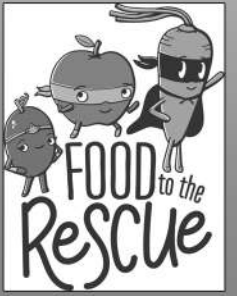
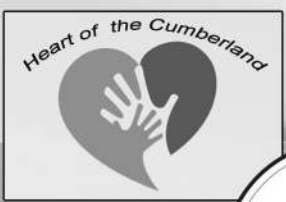
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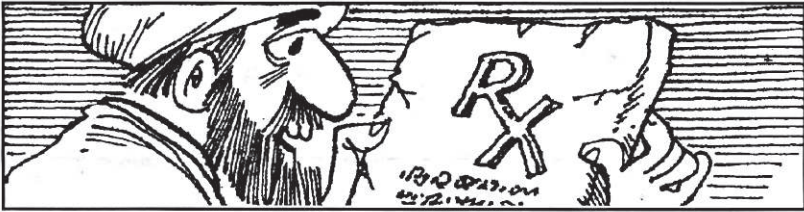
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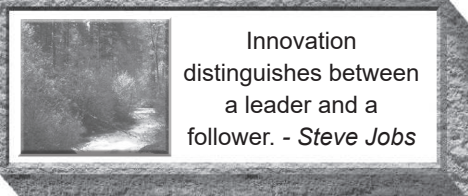
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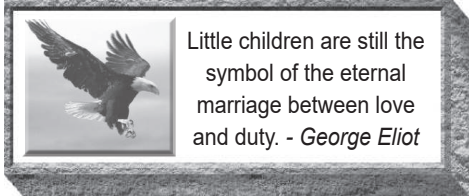
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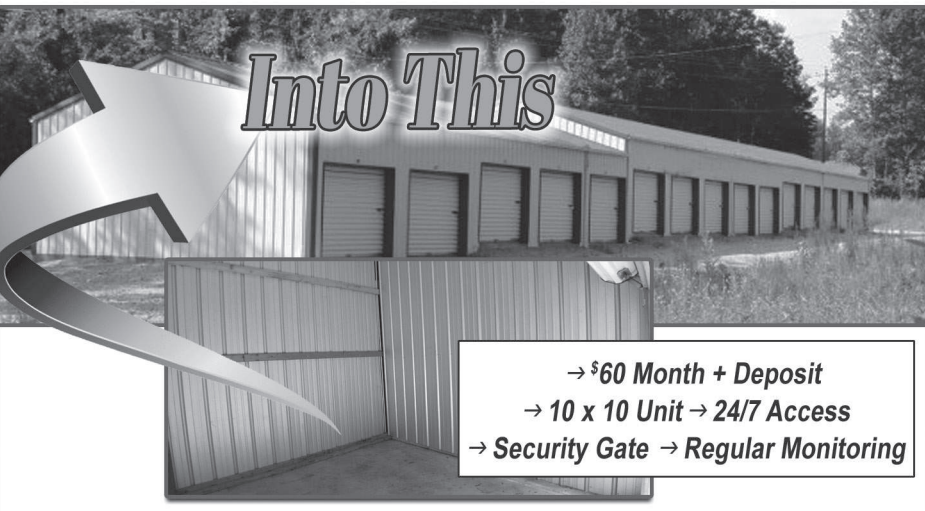


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"Religion is an illusion of the emotions," declared Sigmund Freud the psychiatrist, "and its funeral is at hand." Frederick Nietzsche one day announced, "God is dead!" No doubt that their gods died with them but our God is alive! Proclaimed the Psalmist in Psalm 97:1, "The Lord reigns, let the earth be glad!" "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, wrote Moses. And He never abandoned nor cast aside His role in controlling it. He continues to be the source and sustainer of all its life, the strength in all of its movements and the power behind its journey. The earth spins like a top at a speed of 1,000 miles per hour without ever speeding up or slowing down so that we might have a predictable number of hours for each day and night. It is tilted at a specific angle that causes our seasons. And these two facts are simply the beginning of the marvelous miracles of our earth. And why is this so? To demonstrate the fact that "The Lord reigns." Our sun maintains a temperature that is warm enough to sustain us but never hot enough to burn us intentionally or freeze us to death when winter arrives. Why this consistency that we never question? "The Lord reigns." Wherever we look and whatever we study we see a pattern of consistency and continuity, predictability and potential. God does reign. God does rule. And because He does, we can rest assured in His love and salvation.



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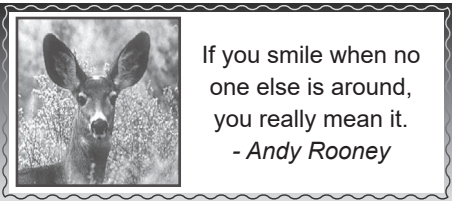
Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

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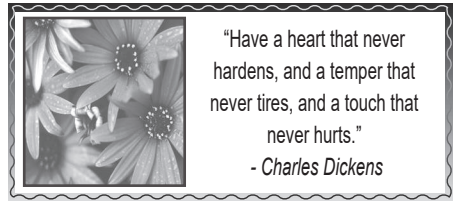
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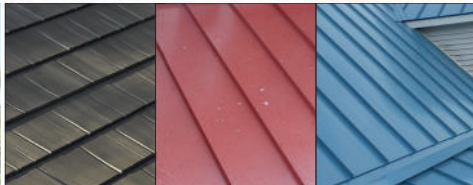


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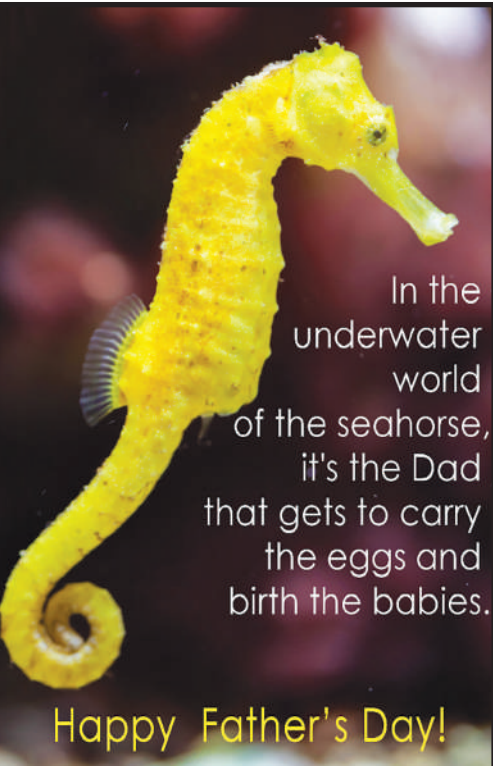
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