History Mystery

125 years ago
April 3, 1897

• Dr. S. V. Ramsey assumed charge of the livery barn on the north side. G. R. Richards retired taking a lot and house in exchange.

• John and Charles Bennett leased the Evans building on South Side Avenue and were to open a bakery and restaurant.

100 years ago
April 3, 1922

• O. C. Randall of Greenview purchased the garage building of Fred Thornsbrue and was to open a tire factory.

• High School students were set to debate whether Tuscola should own its own heating plant. Arguing for were Horace Hackett, Everett Stallsworth and Cecile Green. Against were John Bruhn, Max West and Harland Richards. Alternates were Harold Lincoln and Maynard Hine.

• John Von Lanken and L. G. Rideout were putting up some buildings for Fred Riley.

• Earl Williams was named manager of the Dodge Brothers sales room in Tuscola.

75 years ago
April 3, 1947

• James Winn was elected publicity chairman of Phi Mu Aloha, national music fraternity, at Illinois Wesleyan university, Bloomington.

• New walnut-finish booths were installed at Nick Flesor's candy kitchen on Sale Street.

April 10, 1947

• Harry Carrell retired from the Tuscola Cooperative Grain company after 19 years.

• The grade school at Camargo closed due to an outbreak of scarlet fever.

60 years ago
April 12, 1962

• Nancy Breen was selected as a delegate to attend Girls State.

• Mr. and Mrs. George LaTour and Larry of LaPorte, Ind., bought Dolly's Pastry Shop in Tuscola.

• Mrs. Fred Bass was re-elected president of the Woman's Club.

55 years ago
April 6, 1967

• Michael Van Hill and Ronald Dale Smith enlisted in the Air Force.

• Kathryn McCumber was elected president of the Woman's Club.

April 13, 1967

• Willis Winn and Merle Rahn were elected to the Tuscola School Board.

50 years ago
April 6, 1972

• The Church of the Nazarene has been issued a building permit for a new church on the Egyptian Trail.

• There is a great hullabaloo about rising food costs.

• Bids were let fora new county highway garage in Tuscola.

• The Rev. Belmont Metzger will become the new minister at the Tuscola Methodist Church. He has served the Galva Methodist Church since 1965.

• Soddie Williams retired from the garage at USI. A dinner was held at the Hotel Douglas.

THE OLD DRAINAGE tiles used as playground equipment at the old North Ward on Sale Street are getting a new look at the dog park at Ervin Park. We'll have to ask Lana Hill who the kids are in the photo since she posted it to the Remembering Tuscola Facebook page.

April 13, 1972

• Rick Marsh was elected president of the Tuscola Rotary Club. He is the third generation in his family to hold the office.

New directors were Dr. Austin Baker, Ken Hall, Robert Hastings, Rick Marsh, Neil Statzer and Jack Williams. Retiring president was William Burress.

• Top vote-getters for Tuscola School Board were Harold Wetzel, Delbert Grimm and Robert Reeder.

• Perry Stackhouse retired from the First National Bank

• Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rogers announced the birth of a daughter, Christine Michelle, April 8.

• Regional Superintendent W. A. Bozarth reported that Douglas County students favor the white oak for Illinois' state tree. In 1907, the oak tree was selected as the state tree, but the particular species was not named.

• Tuscola's track squad braved the muddy track to smash St. Joe 105-27. Tuscola captured 13 first place finished in 16 events.

1 year ago
April 7, 2021

• Tuscola schools were expected to receive a third round of COVID relief funds for a total of $1,965,636. Arthur schools were to receive a total of $3.4 million.

• A "super spreader" event in Villa Grove was used by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as a case study for the pandemic.

• The Sunnyside Mennonite Church at Chesterville was destroyed by fire March 26.

• The old Metropolitan Block in Arcola was razed.

PUZZLES

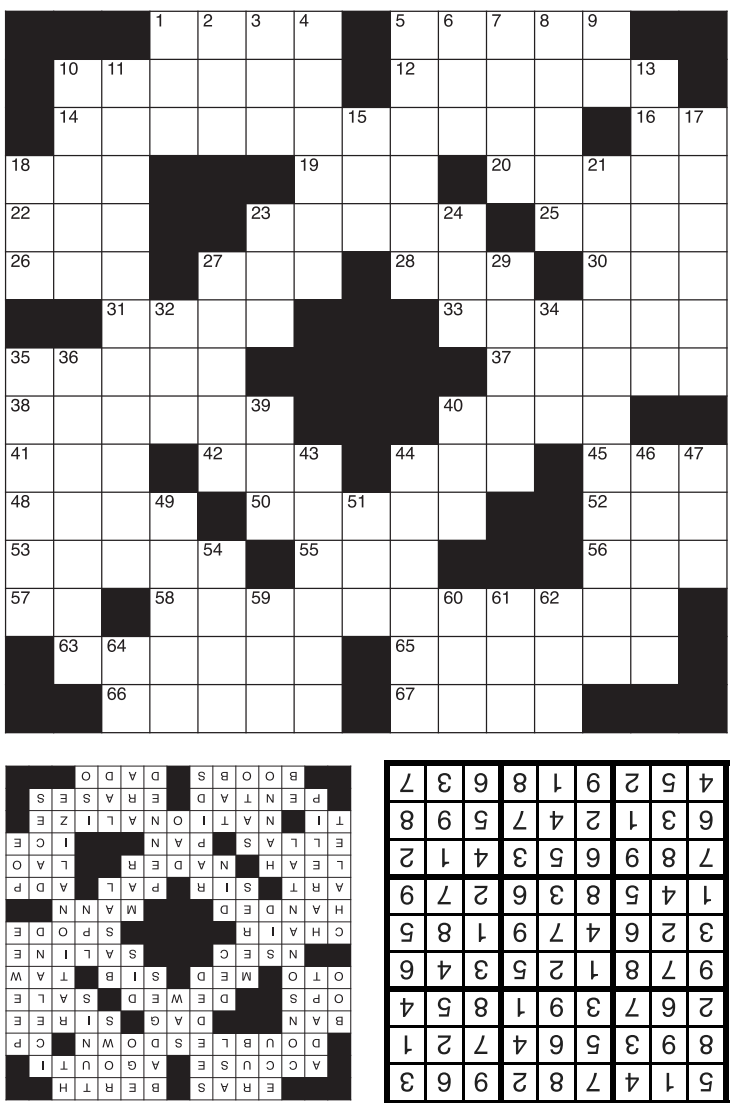
CROSSWORD

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.)



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HOROSCOPES

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Avoid going down the rabbit hole that can be social media, Aries. Put your phone or tablet to the side for a little bit and focus your attention elsewhere.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Try to stay calm and grounded right now, Taurus. Others can learn from your example at work, as you likely will be the voice of reason among your colleagues.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, if you are having trouble figuring out a path this week, try to meditate on a solution. Find a quiet spot and visualize your goals and how you can achieve them.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22

Be mindful of whom you confide in this week, Cancer. Not everyone has your best interests at heart and may use the information you share to his or her advantage instead of yours.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

A partner or close friend may seem to pull away from you this week, Leo. Don't take it personally as it won't be a permanent break. Soon things will be back to normal.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Sticking to your normal routine this week simply will not be possible, Virgo. Start brainstorming ways you can get things done more quickly.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, your ego may take a temporary hit as someone in your sphere gets a promotion or a recognition before you. Don't take this to heart as it is only time before you get to shine.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Try not to trigger any people in your home who seem to be more tense than usual, Scorpio. It may be tricky, but keep the calm and maintain the status quo for now.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Well-meaning advice can backfire if it is offered unsolicited, Sagittarius. Unless someone comes to you seeking help, it's best to stay silent for now.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Try to avoid any impulsive spending for the next several days, Capricorn. The temptation will be high, so this will be a bit of a challenge for you. Stick to the essentials.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, stay calm and keep your nose to the grindstone during a potentially hectic week. This may mean taking a day off or at least a step back.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

Some truths are difficult to hear and swallow, Pisces. Only through learning all sides of the story can you grow as a person.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

MAY 8
Melissa Gilbert, Actress (58)
MAY 9
Billy Joel, Singer (73)
MAY 10
Kenan Thompson, Comic (44)
MAY 11
Sabrina Carpenter, Singer (23)
MAY 12
Tony Hawk, Skateboarder (54)
MAY 13
Robert Pattinson, Actor (36)
MAY 14
Cate Blanchett, Actress (53)