PUZZLES

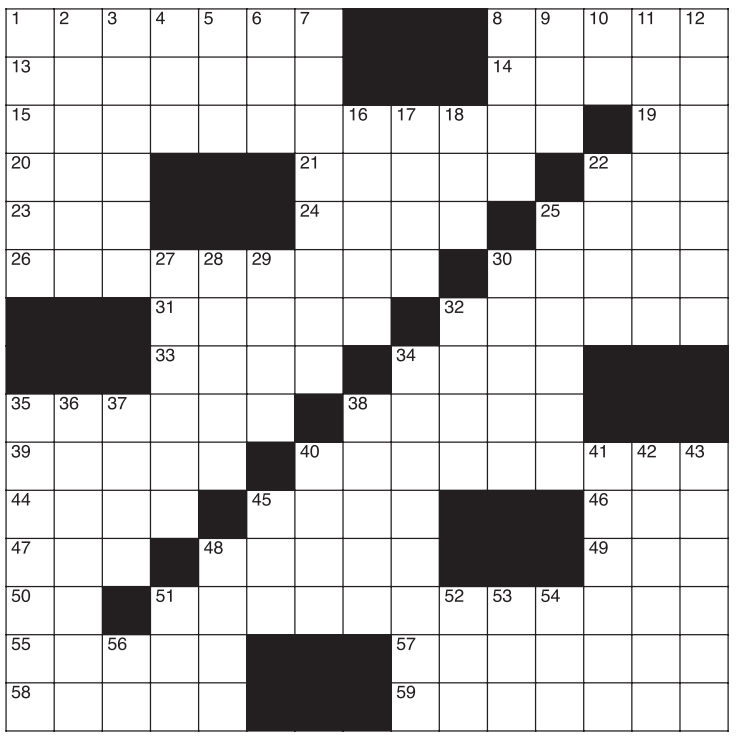
CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

1. Half-conscious states
8. Unnatural
13. Deep regret
14. Rogue
15. Taken without permission
19. An alternative
20. After B
21. Partner to flowed
22. Weekday
23. Body part
24. World's longest river
25. One of the Greats
26. Make clean
30. C. Canada indigenous peoples
31. Japanese seaport
32. Most unclothed
33. Small grouper fish
34. Soluble ribonucleic acid
35. Distinguishing sound
38. French realist painter
39. Popular beer brand
40. Views
44. God depicted as a bull
45. Relieve
46. Residue after burning
47. Habitation
48. Poe's middle name
49. Japanese title
50. TV series installation (abbr.)
51. Beloved country singer
55. Single unit
57. Genuine
58. Develop
59. Traveled through the snow

CLUES DOWN

1. Clues
2. Do again
3. Current unit
4. Neither
5. Corporate exec (abbr.)
6. Second sight
7. The absence of mental stress
8. Supplemented with difficulty
9. Stop for good
10. College dorm worker
11. Bones
12. Most supernatural
16. Spanish island
17. Unlimited
18. Where golfers begin
22. No charge
25. Print errors
27. Professional drivers
28. Kiss box set
29. Short, fine fibers
30. Administers punishment
32. Czech city
34. Normal or sound powers of mind
35. The academic world
36. Crustacean
37. Currency
38. Pastoral people of Tanzania or Kenya
40. Cloth spread over a coffin
41. Grouped together
42. On land
43. Glistened
45. A type of extension
48. One who assists
51. College sports conference
52. Zero
53. Midway between northeast and east
54. Type of screen
56. The 13th letter of the Greek alphabet



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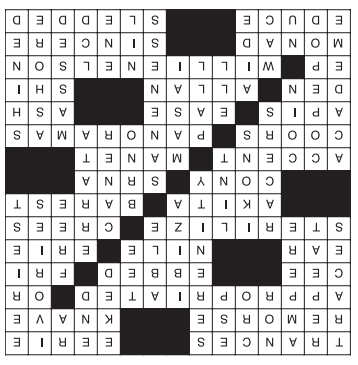

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HOROSCOPES

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

A development may have you feeling a bit down, Aries. That is only temporary, though, as your mood and circumstances will rebound in no time at all.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, people you encounter this week may be exceptionally stubborn, so you may need to avoid confrontations. Keep your emotions in check as best as you can.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, the weather may not be suitable for getting much done outdoors, but you can certainly stay busy inside the house with any projects you have been putting off.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22

This is a great opportunity for getting rid of any clutter that has been holding you back, Cancer. Start sorting through the garage or cleaning out a desk at work.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, do not worry about the small stuff that you feel could be holding you back. If you step away from the situation, you may find that everything is working out.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, there are plenty of opportunities open to you, but you may not realize they are so close by. A friend may need to guide your way on this for the time being.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

You may be feeling bad about something you did in the past, Libra, and now you want to make amends. It's the little changes you implement that will make a difference.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you may be ready to give your life an overhaul. That may amount to you changing careers in the weeks to come. Do your research before you put in notice.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, stay focused and disciplined this week, especially as it pertains to a diet. You can maintain your commitment, especially with others cheering you on.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, rewards will not come without hard work and dedication. Now is the time to stick with the plan and keep moving forward. Save days off for later.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Do not go up against managers or superiors this week, Aquarius. Doing so likely won't go in your favor. Just keep out of the spotlight for a little while longer.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

You may be building the blocks of a major life project, Pisces. Use all of the resources at your disposal in the days to come.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

MARCH 5, Madison Beer, Singer (24)

MARCH 6, Shaquille O'Neal, Performer (51)

MARCH 7, Bryan Cranston, Actor (67)

MARCH 8, Freddie Prinze, Jr., Actor (47)

MARCH 9, Oscar Isaac, Actor (44)

MARCH 10, Carrie Underwood, Singer (40)

CEO

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business. However, she decided against it as she found the process of making the butter and scrubs took too long. She said she is much more passionate about her keychains and tries to find time to work on them whenever she gets a chance.

Aaliyah Garza, an Arcola student, is venturing into the world of photography for her small business. She came up with the idea after helping her English teacher with the yearbook for the 2021-2022 school year. The journalism class she took got her into photography as a hobby. " I have an eye for telling a story through photos, the way words can't," said Garza.

She, like Dunn, also started with a different project. Her original project was "upcycled" clothing. She learned that she wasn't as passionate about the project as much as her hobby, photography, so she decided to switch.

"If you want to do something in the CEO Class, you have to be passionate about it," said Garza.

Myers said it's important to figure out what they want to do, sometimes that involves the students dropping a project, or even failing one.

Both students had some hurdles they needed to overcome for their businesses. Dunn had trouble deciding on a brand name and logo. She chose "Charisma" because the definitions describes her personality and what she wants her business to be. Dunn foresees a rocky start of her business, but she thinks it will be okay, thanks to her support system.

Garza said she's planning on a future struggle, standing out as a photographer, with many more in the area with more reputation than her. So far she's hopeful she has good a chance of making it since she's still young and will have many chances to increase her reputation. She also plans on being more affordable and more readily available than other photographers.

On March 7, the students presented their business plans to local bankers. If they are successful, they will receive a loan to further fund their businesses. The students also raised $7,000 in December through a PJ and pancake breakfast, which will be distributed equally.

Dunn plans to use her money to pay back her mother, who helped purchase all the supplies needed for her business. The leftover money will be used to buy more supplies.

Garza plans to use her money for a camera, and possibly a new lens.

"It's about exposing them to job opportunities," said Myers.

Another big part of the class is learning soft skills, like public speaking and networking.

"What are you going to do that stands out? Sometimes it's going to be those soft skills and those things that they learn every day about this class," said Myers.

Students receive even more support from local mentors. Students are assigned to business owners who can help answer their questions and meet with the students on a regular basis.

Savara Lindsey, co-owner of the Blend house, Rick Auto, from Arthur, Kevin Monahan from Arcola and Veterinarian Justin Florey are also helping students with mentorship.

The CEO class also helps some students with college credit. Students from Sullivan and Arthur are currently receiving dual credit for the course. Myers said that next year the program is collaborating with LIFT in Mattoon.

Some past students keep working on their projects after high school. Others simply fade out with time. Myers said a student from Arcola is looking to purchase inventory from a teashop that went out of business and is planning to start it back up after college.

"It's one of those things where you cross your fingers and hope she comes back and starts it," said Myers.

The class will culminate in a trade show on April 25, currently set at Yoder's Kitchen in Arthur. They will have booths and displays, showing off their products and services.

The Illini Prairie CEO class is funded by over 45 different investors that invest $1,000 annually into the program.

The Illini CEO class is currently taking applications for the next school year.

DCHD

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that, DCHD is making a public push for increased COVID vaccinations at our March, April, and May vaccine clinics. The future of free COVID testing at DCHD is also uncertain at this point, and more specific information will be shared when it is available.

Some of you may already be aware March is the month SNAP emergency allotments cease, with recipients' nutritional assistance allotments going back to pre-pandemic levels. SNAP recipients who previously had to fill out mid-term reporting forms will soon be required to do so again or risk losing benefits. Similarly, Medicaid recipients need to update eligibility online at www.abe.gov or face similar consequences. DCHD has an insurance navigator who can offer free assistance with Medicaid and/or Marketplace insurance processes.

Efforts are also underway to update the local 2-1-1 directory – a comprehensive information and referral service linking residents to health and human services in their communities. The directory can be accessed by calling 2-1-1 or online at pathcrisis.org.

Our new DoCo Health Center – offering medical and mental health care to Douglas

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County students and their immediate household members – officially opened on Feb. 6, and we are seeing a steady increase in patients. Private insurance and Medicaid is accepted, and a sliding fee scale based on income is utilized for uninsured clients. An open house is planned for Sunday, March 26 from 2-4 p.m. to offer the public an opportunity to tour the clinic, meet the providers, and ask questions. Refreshments will be served and we encourage everyone to attend. DoCo Health Center is located at DCHD's main location—1250 E. US Hwy. 36, Tuscola.

Our J600 location in the Tuscola Outlet Mall has implemented some additional services. These include staying open for appointments until 6 p.m. the second Tuesday of every month, and hosting a breastfeeding support group meeting at 2 p.m. the fourth Friday of every month. We also have a small clothing bank for babies and small children, with gently used items given away as they are available. Monthly diabetes support group meetings continue to be held the fourth Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the DCHD main location—and attendance can be in person or online.

We are working with Sarah Bush Lincoln to help promote a free colorectal screening effort this month in recognition of Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. If you are age 45 or better, you can pick up a FREE colorectal screening kit at the SBL Tuscola clinic on Friday, March 17 between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Take it home, collect your sample, and return it to the clinic during regular operating hours.

DCHD Environmental Manager Kim Ross is organizing a Farm To Fork food seminar expo for Friday, April 14 in Arthur that will offer great resources, best practices, seminars, and other essential information for cottage food operators, farmers, gardeners and anyone else interested in selling food to the public. CEU credits are available for attendance and it will include and giveaways, so what's not to love!

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NWTF Kaskaskia Longbeards Turkey Banquet

Friday, March 10, 2023
Sullivan VFW
Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Need more info? Call Lee Lester at 217-620-8542