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♦ Mix a quarter cup of salt in with two tablespoons of bath wash for a sudsy, refreshing, skin-soothing salt scrub.

♦ "Here is a fun game to play with a group of kids (and adults). Everyone gets a piece of paper and begins to draw something. The group leader (mom or dad, usually) says "Pass it left (or right)" and you pass your paper to the next person, who continues your drawing, and so on. We play this at the restaurant until the food gets there. The drawings are fun to look at later." - T.T. in Ohio

♦ Here's a cheap trick to keep cut flowers fresh longer: Stir a tiny bit of sugar into the water in your vase. Then drop a penny in the vase.

♦ Long-sleeve shirts make great beach or lake coverups. They can be tied around your waist if you aren't using it, and they cover your whole arm.

♦ Need to put on a bracelet but have no one to help with the clasp? Head to your home office supplies. Grab a large paperclip and twist it open so it is in the shape of an "S." Thread one loop of the "S" into the jump ring (where the clasp attaches) and use your hand to hold the rest of the paper clip. Bring the bracelet around your wrist and it'll be easy to attach!

♦ "Do you have trouble keeping ants out of your hummingbird feeders? How about giving them their own cup of sugar water? Put 1/2 cup of sugar water on the ground near where you hang feeders. Then check it when you change the feeder."

- G.B. in Pavilion, NY

## SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

### Video games for seniors

A recent annual report by the Entertainment Software Association indicates that over 50 million seniors are playing video games. That's over one-quarter of the total number of people playing video games.

Color me shocked. The reason: I thought I was the only one, or at least one of a very few. Little did I know that so many other seniors are also playing video games -- and that more than half of those are females.

When asked why they play, 77% of seniors responded that they play video games to relax, 51% to have fun and 65% to keep minds sharp. There's social interaction, which helps combat isolation. We can improve memory, problem-solving skills and hand-eye coordination. We can slow cognitive decline, reduce the risk of Alzheimer's disease

and improve mental flexibility. In other words, playing video games can be good for us.

How to get started if you don't already play? I started playing video games right after I got my first computer, back in 1994. While I've gone through several computers over the years, I still have some of the original games, and they're now classics. For several years I had a membership that sent me a new game every month as well.

To get started now, if you'd like to try playing video games, begin with something easy, either for your computer or tablet. You have so much to choose from. There are word games and puzzles. There are classic games where you can play chess against the computer. There are trivia games, community builders (you build an online town) and shooter games where you kill enemies or monsters. You can play by yourself or in groups online.

One place to start is the AARP Games Center (aarp.org/games), where you can play dozens of games for free and even more if you're a member.

Have fun!

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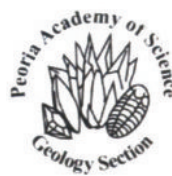
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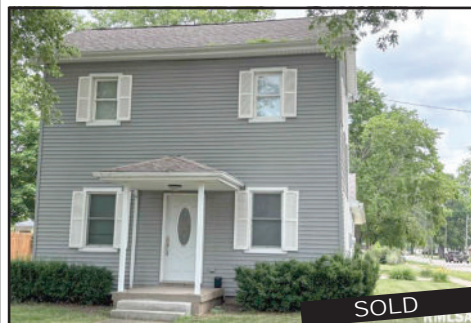
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SOLD

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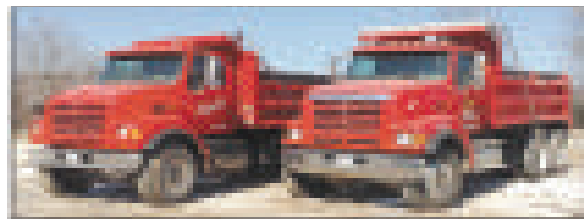
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