



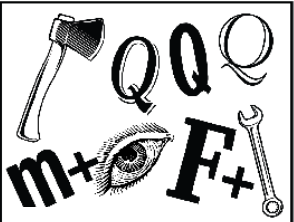

Use the visual clues in the puzzles to figure out what it says.

Wacky Wordies

another thing	GO IT IT IT IT	me repeat	nsagil nsagil nsagil
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5. _____	6. _____	7. _____	8. _____
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9. _____	10. _____	11. _____	12. _____

1. One thing after another 2. Go for it 3. Repeat after me 4. Mixed signals 5. Sick in bed 6. Two left feet 7. Long underwear 8. Editor-in-chief 9. Pacing back and forth 10. Built to last 11. Garden variety 12. Crumble under pressure

Concentration

	
Puzzle #1	Puzzle #2
	
Puzzle #3	Puzzle #4

Puzzle #1 Proof's in the pudding
Puzzle #2 Dolly Parton
Puzzle #3 Excuse my French
Puzzle #4 As poor as a church mouse



April is the fourth month of the year in the Gregorian calendar. It was originally the second month of the Roman calendar, before the addition of January and February. No one knows for sure how April got its name. Some say it comes from the Latin *aperire*, meaning “to open,” alluding to the opening of buds in springtime. Others say April was named after Aphrodite or the goddess Eostre. Whatever the case, the onset of April means that spring has arrived.

Regular Events

- Social Hour w/ Live Entertainment**
Every Day at 4:00pm
- Tai Chi with Rafael**
Every Sunday at 10:30am
- Sculpture Class with Norberto**
Saturday 6 & 20 at 10:30am
- Art and You (Art Class)**
Tuesdays & Saturdays at 1:30pm
- Hot Topics with Fayanne**
Every Thursday at 2pm
- Shabbat Shalom w/ Eliezra & Eugene**
Fridays at 5:30pm (New time) -Dining Room
- Errands: Friday 2pm**
- Chair Yoga with Janet**
Every Saturday at 10:00am

April's Wednesdays Outings

- 4/3 Festival Flea Market (Friday)
- 4/10 the Art of the Brick (Lego Art) \$23
- 4/24 Fairchild Tropical Gardens \$18

(Please sign up at Front Desk)

Upcoming Events

- FIU Lifelong Learning Institute**
A Taste of Paradise
South Florida's Culinary Revolution
By: Sylvia Gurinsky - Monday, 4/1/-2pm
- Short Story Circle with Marilyn & Glenda**
Monday, 4/8-2pm
- FIU Lifelong Learning Institute**
A Century of Divas
Maria Callas and opera Iconic Voices
By: Dr. Alan Mason - Monday, 4/15 -2pm
- Leonardo Da Vinci for all**
With Professor Alan Garfield
Tuesday, 4/16-11am
- Newcomers Lunch**
Tuesday, 4/16-12pm
- Coffee & Tea With Mimi Israel E.D.**
Wednesday, 4/17-2pm
- Passover Service W/ Rabbi Wolf**
Monday 4/22 -3pm
- Plaza Bucks Auction**
Thursday, 4/25 -2pm
- Resident Council Meeting**
Monday, 4/29 -2pm



Arabian Nights Birthdays Bash

April 25, 2024

3:30pm- Bistro



Your Community Staff

- Mimi Turrie**
Executive Director
- Jodi-Ann Coombs**
Director of Administration
- Barry Ger**
Director of Sales & Marketing
- Dorinda Caamano**
Director of Resident Care
- Ahmed Labib**
Director of Food Service
- Brenda Siino**
Director of Activities / Transportation
- Rita Collazo**
Director of Resident Relations
- Milourine Orange**
Dining Room Manager
- Michael Pena**
Director of Maintenance
House Keeping

From the Executive Director



Dear Residents and Families,

March saw a few more losses to the Plaza's family, and a few additions. We are hoping for continued growth and a vibrant community. The recent birthday bash Havana Nights was amazing. Many residents were joined by family members and enjoyed the tasteful mojitos and amazing band. A warm thank you to Brenda, Ahmed, Milly, and all others involved in the planning and execution of this event.

- A gentle reminder that the main entrance should not be congested with cars. Please leave keys with valet so that any emergency vehicles are able to enter safely. Please be reminded of several other policies of the Plaza such as the following:
- Resident guest meals are \$30
- Tray delivery is \$15 per delivery tray. The exemption to this would be if the resident is sick. Any residents with aides should have them pick up trays in order to avoid charge.
- Late payment charge is \$300 for rent. This charge will be enforced beginning in April. Rent payments are due the first of the month.

We at the Plaza at Parksquare continue to make changes in order to provide an amazing experience for all our Residents.

Have a wonderful April.

Respectfully,

Mimi Turrie

From the Director of Activities



"April showers bring May flowers." April is the green light for spring to spring forward. To experience the sunny Florida spring, we have an outing to Fairchild Tropical Gardens planned this month. Also, we have a very fun and unique Lego art exhibit at the Art of the Brick Museum and more! Please sign up if you're interested in participating in any outing.

This month welcomes the Passover holiday. It is a holiday that is rich in culture and tradition. To celebrate there will be a special Passover service and Seder dinner.

Last, but not least, the Plaza Auction is coming to town! Remember, the only currency accepted at the auction is Plaza Bucks. In order to earn those bucks, you must participate in activities. The auction is a much requested and anticipated event- and a huge incentive for participating in daily activities. So, please come out to activities and earn your bucks. See you there!

Brenda Siino

Month in Review



Passover

Observance of Passover has taken a number of forms through history. This evolution is partly seen in the Torah text itself. It is discussed as a springtime festival, a barley harvest festival, and a time to bring sacrifices to the Temple in Jerusalem. Different references to Passover in the Torah as well as knowledge of other ancient rituals that took place at the same time of year indicate that there may have been several origins of the *Pesach* festival. The ancient Israelites took what was originally one or more separate Canaanite spring holidays and imbued them with a heightened significance when they made Passover a commemoration of the Exodus from Egypt.

Feast of Unleavened Bread

We now view commemoration of the liberation of the Hebrews from Egyptian bondage as identical to the celebration of the Feast of Unleavened Bread. In Leviticus 23:5-6, however, there seems to be a distinction between the two festivals. The "Lord's Passover" falls at dusk on the 14th day of the first month, Nisan (referred to in Torah as the month of "Aviv"). The Festival of Unleavened Bread fell on the 15th day of the same month. In Exodus 13:4 and Deuteronomy 16:1, the New Moon is given as the memorial day for the Exodus.

The Paschal Lamb Is Introduced

Setting aside, slaughtering, and eating a paschal lamb was introduced as a celebration of the festival. The Hebrews were commanded to take a lamb for each household on the 10th of the first month (*Nisan*). The unblemished male lamb in its first year was kept until the 14th day and then killed at eve. This ritual was reminiscent of ancient pagan rituals that took place at this time of the year. Nisan was the month when sheep gave birth and sacrifices were made at the full moon on the 15th of the month.

Spring Harvest Festival

Passover also falls at the time of the beginning of the spring harvest. Leviticus 23:10-16 discusses the *omer* [a certain measure] of new barley that was brought to the Temple on the second day of the festival. At this time of year, the first sheaf of newly cut barley was offered up as a sacrifice. It has been suggested that the elimination of *hametz* (leaven), which Jews undertake before Passover, may have originated as a precaution against infecting the new crop. Thus, *Hag ha-Matzot* (the feast of unleavened bread), which is a name for Passover, may have originally carried this agricultural meaning. *Hag ha-Aviv*, or Spring Festival, is another name for the festival of Pesach. A number of remnants of the springtime origins of Pesach remain, as in the prayer for dew, and the counting of the *Omer* that bridges two different spring harvest periods.



April Happenings

Happy Birthday to:

- Jeannette K. April 1
- Arnubio F. April 2
- Ermgard S. April 3
- Lawrence D. April 8
- Nancy D. April 13
- Marilyn G. April 23
- Sondra S. April 24



What's Lucky?

- Lucky Color: Yellow
- Lucky Animal: Goat
- Lucky Letter: H
- Lucky Day: Thursday
- Lucky Plant: Tulip

April Zodiacs

- Aries (The Ram) April 1–19
- Taurus (The Bull) April 20–30



To the Plaza Family

- Larry D.
- Barbara G.
- Lorraine G.
- Linda Z.

Thank you for choosing us

Special Days

- April Fools' Day April 1
- Jackie Robinson Day April 15
- Tax Day (U.S.) April 15
- Passover Begins at Sundown April 22
- Earth Day April 22
- Arbor Day April 26

Flower: Daisy
 Birthstone: Diamond
 Tree: Walnut

Submarine Day



Celebrate America's maritime history with National Submarine Day on April 11. This holiday commemorates the day the United States got its first modern commissioned submarine and honors the service and sacrifice of those who have served aboard submarines. America's current submarine fleet includes 53 fast-attack subs, 14 ballistic missile subs, and four guided-missile subs.



Its exact beginnings are a mystery, but some historians link April Fools' Day to the 16th century, when New Year's Day moved from April 1 to January 1. Those who continued to celebrate the new year on April 1 were called fools.

Major League Debut



On April 15, 1947, Jackie Robinson played his first major league baseball game with the Brooklyn Dodgers against the Boston Braves in front of a crowd of 25,000 spectators at Ebbets Field in Brooklyn. This marked the first moment that an African American athlete played a sport in any of the major leagues.

Robinson did not get a hit that day, but he was awarded the first ever Rookie of the Year title that year. In 1949, he was named the National League's Most Valuable Player. The next year, he became the Dodgers' highest paid player with a salary of \$35,000. In 1955, Robinson led the Dodgers to a World Series victory over the New York Yankees. A perennial All-Star and Hall of Famer, Robinson's number 42.