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NEWDZ — The vegans have won!

BY SHELBY MORRIS

With the ASMSU elections approaching and the Diversity Symposium on March 27 shining light on all the various clubs and identities represented at MSU, there was one group of people glaringly missing: vegans. From all the food that is available on campus, vegan options are noticeably underrepresented, a minority of all foods. Following the diet-verse range of clubs and people that were presented at the Diversity Symposium, MSU's vegan club, Flourish on Vegetation (FOV), whose club slogan is "You are SALAD GOLD," has decided it's time to bring their food to campus.

As a result, FOV has taken their idea to ASMSU in hopes of implementing vegan food bars all over campus. The bars will serve all plant-based meals, such as vegan curry, vegan burrito bowls, smoothies and a plethora of other animal-free baked goods. Behind the counter will also be a coffee machine that will only use nondairy milks.

Having options besides meatheavy burgers and greasy, cheesy pizzas on campus would be much healthier for students. They propose having carbonated, yet healthy beverages such as LaCroix and Bubly to keep the fun, while removing the sugar. FOV is in full support of this switch and excited to help out with the implementation. Voting will take place at an ASMSU senate meeting after the upcoming election, so stay tuned.



A vegan food bar.

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Open mind, open skies

BY BROOKE SPIVAK

MSU has introduced a neverbefore-seen concept for athletic activity. Dubbed "The Open Sky Fitness Center," the newest addition to the Marga Hosaeus Fitness Center (MHFC) has been nothing short of a smash. Once university officials discovered MSU students were growing tired of exercising and engaging in physical activity in a stuffy building built in the 70s, they took matters into their own hands. The roofs of the North and South Gyms in the original MHFC were removed to allow more breathability and ventilation. Additionally, MSU had the goal of being the first university to introduce such an avant-garde concept for the gyms.

Students were very surprised to see the Open Sky Fitness Center come to fruition in just a matter of minutes. Realistically, the creation of the new fitness complex was quite a simple undertaking. The key component of its design was solely to remove the roofs of the old gyms. It came as quite a shock to students. However, MSU administration had been planning the creation of the Open Sky Fitness Center for an undisclosed, but lengthy period of time.

Members of MSU administration have said the cause of the roof failure can be attributed to heavy snow weighing down the older building. In reality, the university is using this explanation to collect insurance money to open the new, first-of-its-kind Open Sky Fitness Center. The center is still in the beginning stages of business and is not open at this time.

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4 MORE BASKETBALL Thursday, March 28, 2019 MSU defunds football to make room for esports

BY CLEB RUX

After a great deal of deliberation, MSU has decided to embrace the culture shift in sports and fund a 'League of Legends' (LOL) team as an official part of the athletic department. As a result, funding is being pulled from MSU's long-standing football program in a move that has received scrutiny from university donors, Bozemanites and students.

MSU President Waldo Cruzaldo released a statement regarding the decision that reads:

"After a thorough examination of MSU's current athletic program, we have decided to add an esports team to MSU's thriving athletic programs. Because of this we are pulling some of the excessive funding from MSU's football program to use it to grow the new esports team. We believe at MSU that diversity is important in our students gaining a comprehensive education that will prepare them for their bright futures. By now funding our 'League of Legends' team it will provide MSU a unique opportunity to grant scholarships to students with various backgrounds. It also allows MSU to pursue individuals who tend to be more academically inclined than other student-athletes."

Several other MSU officials have responded to the decision and the criticism it has received from the community. MSU Director of Athletics Leanon Costhellno responded to the release, saying, "At first this was a decision I was completely opposed to, but after talking to my grandchildren, who said I need to get with the times, I eventually came around and will be a huge supporter of the new esports team."

MSU Football Head Coach Geoff Choaterboate held a press conference where he unapologetically bashed the university's decision to pull funding from what he called his "precious football team." While addressing the media, Choaterboate held back tears, asking, "What the heck even is this esports thing anyway? I was told they play on something called a computer? Regardless, myself and my staff have worked incredibly hard to build a winning outfit and all that work is being stripped from us after a careless decision."

MSU plans to hire a coach for the new LOL team in the coming weeks and begin aggressively recruiting up-and-coming League players. Open tryouts will be held for students hoping to join the team, with a date to be announced after a coach is chosen.

Cats pay, get their money's worth

BY TRACY ZUHOSKI

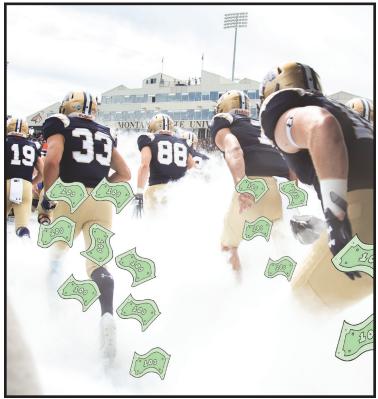
In wake of an issue sweeping the nation, NCAA President Stin G. Mann signed a oneof-a-kind mandate earlier this year demanding universities pay student athletes for their likenesses. The response was anything but expected. MSU immediately saw dividends, as the students being paid picked up their game resulting in unparalleled success across the university's athletics department.

MSU Director of Athletics Leanon Costhellno was just as surprised with the reaction, "We've seen our football team go undefeated; averaging 48 points per game, our volleyball team never lost a set, and our men's and women's basketball teams have both made the final four in the NCAA tournaments," he said. "This really is a time to be alive."

Many of those who opposed the mandate have been flabbergasted. U.S. President Ronald Dump couldn't believe it, "We just couldn't see how paying our youth for their work would make them want to work harder! I personally work the hardest, no one works harder than me but these children are working very hard." Since the decree, GPAs have gone up an average of 0.5 points as student athletes were required to go to class or have their pay be reduced. An astounding number of students are making their way to graduating with honors due to the extra incentive of added pay. Student athletes are now paid for signing autographs and many are being sponsored by organizations such as Peloton, the new Space Force and Monsanto throughout their college careers ending a debate spanning many decades.

Other universities have seen a large jump in their attendance, too. The University of Montana (UM) saw its first increase in attendance in what can only be described as "a long time." UM's President Griz Lee Ber was shocked to see the jump. "Just last year we were worried we may lose university standing! Now we are seeing growth for the first time in a long time. We just saw our first jump of 10 students this year! Thrilling times at the U," he said.

All in all, it seems that mo' money doesn't exactly breed mo' problems. R.I.P., Biggie.



After being told to "leave it all on the field" by head coach Geoff Choaterboate, MSU football players let their spare cash fly as they run onto the field during pregame.

PHOTO BY BRENDAN KRISTIANSEN

Bobcats stay bear-y aware

BY TAYLOR BURLAGE

Well, spring is here and the bears are officially out. Whether you're a newbie to the Montana wilderness scene, or a grizzled backcountry wanderer veritably baptized in the eternal stinging fog of bear spray, we've got a few tips for you. You never know what you're going to run into out there. Could be black bears. Could be grizzly bears. Could be Bear Grylls. In any case, here are some do's and don'ts for how to deal with a hairy situation.

DON'T carry your mom's homemade, extra spicy Italian sausage links as a distraction tool when a bear walks into your camp during lunch time. They'll eat them, and then eat you.

DO carry bear spray. Not only will it protect you when charged by a 600-pound mama bear, it also works remarkably well as hot sauce in a pinch.

DON'T try and cuddle bears. I know they look cute and fluffy, but believe me, they'll cuddle you back. With their teeth. On your face.

DO speak loudly when you're in the woods, even if you're alone. It has been scientifically proven that bears are terrified by people with dual personalities.

DON'T run away if you encounter any kind of bear. Turns out, bears are real suckers for a game of tag, and will absolutely chase you. Considering some bears have a top cruising speed of 60 mph, you'll probably lose. Slowly back away while singing "Stayin Alive" under your breath. That's your ONLY chance of survival.

DO learn the difference between black and grizzly bears. Not only could it save your life, but you can impress your out-of-state yuppie crush with your in-depth ursine knowledge.

Footnote: if you do encounter Bear Grylls in the woods, be sure to have a pouch of Mexican Mealworms handy. Scatter them on the ground nearby and slowly back away. He'll go after the bugs before he goes after you.



Failure to be safe while camping in bear country could have you sleeping in a proverbial candy bar wrapper, waiting for bears to find you.

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BY CORYN JOHNSON JUNIOR FARMER

In an effort to eliminate educational distraction, MSU imposed a ban on student hat wear. While the administration passed the decision under supposedly good intentions, the hat ban has exhibited jarring repercussions.

Created as a form of protection against the outside elements, hats have grown to fill a much greater role within modern society. This role is particularly important within the larger social sphere of MSU, separating the Bridger bros from the fishing fanatics, the anime artists from the wider creative crowd. In other words, MSU students rely on hats to mark their place within the campus population.

"I couldn't even recognize my buddy," MSU sophomore and Pro-Hat enthusiast Ben Dover said in reaction to the disruptive ban.

Dover's words offer a deep insight into the oppositional student movement that has swept the Bobcat campus. The Pro-Hatters represent a large sector of students bent on exposing the true consequences of a policy thinly veiled under the false assumption of educational enrichment. Rather than "pause distraction and promote equality," as claimed by MSU President, Waldo Cruzaldo, the ban strips students of expression and provokes confusion. The unnecessary stress has turned classrooms into anxiety cells. The ban has not only affected the students on a personal level — stifling expression and triggering classroom shivers — but has also impeded longestablished learning processes.

"My class centers on group work," said MSU physics professor Sharon Cox, Ph.D. "With the current ban on hats, countless time is wasted because of the impaired recognition. Students have to first find their group members. This process is often followed by reintroductions. The hats represent such a loss of identity."

This loss points to large-scale identity theft. Not in the sense of lost credit cards or stolen social security numbers, but in the true sense of identities stolen. How can students be expected to recognize their friends amongst the ban when they can no longer recognize themselves?

Strangely enough, the outraged Pro-Hat Movement has witnessed slim participation on behalf of female students.

"You know, I'm not really sure," said Barry McCockner, one of the founders of the Movement, when asked about the lack of female involvement. "I mean, I think of it as a band of brothers type thing. We lose our hats, that's our uniform, that's what separates us from the other dudes."

Despite the discrepancy, the larger issue remains our greatest battle. While MSU administrators may exclaim hats off to the ban, let's reinvent the term and cry hats on to justice.

College Bribery Scandal Provides Cash Cow for MSU

BY QUINCY BALIUS JUNIOR FARMER

The 2019 college bribery scandal marked a vital moment in American history, in which our nation confronted a serious issue with the privileges of wealth in our society. However, there is light at the end of the tunnel. If MSU could convince some of those wealthy parents with spare cash to toss it at our admissions officials rather than those of other universities, we could profit greatly. Imagine the amazing things we could do to benefit this campus with a few thousand extra dollars.

A renegade group of alumni, tired of carrying the heavy burden of financing MSU, has assembled a plan to utilize the cash of movie stars and millionaires through convincing them to consider MSU for their ill-fitted children. Through this plan, MSU admissions officials would accept the bribes of these wealthy people. This would take the pressure off the alumni and provide MSU with a steady cash flow that could be utilized for a plethora of important university reforms.

Some may complain that this violates academic integrity and betrays the spirit of our school, but just think of what an influx of cash could do for MSU. If we choose not to begin enticing the money of morally corrupt millionaires to MSU, we will have to deal with the consequences. This could mean increasing tuition, skyrocketing rates of room and board, and miscellaneous other fees. Do we want to take these costs upon ourselves, or do we want to pawn them off onto aging media moguls and washed-up actresses?

Consider this:

- Admitting the child of a high-powered executive or two would go a long way toward offsetting the cost of the new freshman housing.
- Readily available funds would also boost MSU's image. This money could be put toward marketing for MSU to make the school more attractive.
- Gifts could also finance small scholarships for students who would actually work hard in college.
- Most importantly, the MSU football team merits far more funding and praise than they currently receive. As an absolutely stellar football team, they don't deserve to be relegated to the back corridors of college obscurity. The additional cash flow would provide key additional resources for the team like new uniforms, field-side buffets, and a gold-embossed football. We could even further celebrate the team with some large statues of Head Coach Geoff Choaterboate placed at either end of the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse.

Time and time again, American colleges have shown themselves to be easily swayed by a dollar or two. Why shouldn't MSU cash in on this windfall trend?

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Finals week Bucket Night.	The VIM.	Cruzado in an ascot.	Talking in your outside voice after 10 p.m. to show your RA who's boss.



11 **ON SABBATICAL**—— Bozeman, MSU to implement Pale Paw drinking fountains

BY DUNKED-ON MATTINGLY

In collaboration with the city of Bozeman, MSU has announced a new initiative to curb underage drinking among college students. According to a recent study, nearly 50 percent of students ages 18-20 reported drinking in the past week. "In Montana, underage drinking is a serious public health concern," Department of Human Healthy Services (DHHS) representative Anne McSeltzer said. "Binge drinking is a huge problem, as the volume of alcohol being consumed can approach toxic levels."

To combat the problem, the DHHS approached both MSU and the City of Bozeman with a proposal: to install a pipeline running from the Bozeman water distribution system to Pale Paw Hard Seltzer distribution headquarters in Chicago.

"We're incredibly proud to announce our partnership with Pale Paw in our effort to reduce the prevalence of underage drinking on campus," MSU President Waldo Cruzaldo said. "Despite our best

efforts — police raids, punitive measures and gift card incentives - students continue to imbibe hard liquor at frankly impressive rates." The average alcohol content of a bottle of vodka is roughly 40 percent by volume, while one Pale Paw contains only 5 percent. To consume the same amount of alcohol, students would have to drink eight times more Pale Paw than hard liquor — a tall order when considering the fizzy nature of the hard seltzer.

Currently, many students pay upperclassmen to purchase alcohol for them. "We believe the lazy nature of millenials will lead them to favor the Pale Paw fountains over an uncomfortable personal interaction with another human being," said Cruzaldo. Rather than sneak around behind the backs of school authorities, students will now be able to enjoy their college experience in a controlled manner. "After all," freshman Zack Kegger said, "no one has ever abused hard seltzer." MSU is proud to lead the way for colleges around the nation seeking a solution to underage drinking, and hopes the Pale

Paw initiative can demonstrate how a university can be responsible while providing the best facilities possible for its students.

Even though the pipeline will cost more money than it will save by reducing the number of University Police calls, there are plenty of upsides to the new project. For one, the alcohol content of the seltzer would keep pipes decontaminated, and the amount of stray cans around town would be visibly reduced.

Some community members did raise concerns that the pipeline could burst potentially contaminating local water supplies. McSeltzer was quick to point out that such an occurrence is unlikely to occur if proper precautions are taken. To allay fears, MSU will be recontracting the same company used in designing the newly completed Open Sky Fitness Center. Students can look forward to seeing Pale Paw stations around campus and the downtown area beginning in the fall of 2019.



MSU's brand new Pale Paw fountains stand ready to fight underage binge drinking in the SUB.

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CALENDAR March 28 — April 3

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SWEATY MOVIN'

OPEN-AIR FITNESS CENTER GRAND OPENING Friday, March 29, 12 p.m.

Open Air Fitness Center Not content with the innovation presented by the groundbreaking Open-Sky Fitness Center that was completed only weeks ago, MSU has decided to further push the boundaries of architecture by removing the center's walls as well, birthing a new legend: the Open-Air Fitness Center.

BLOODBATH OF THE WILD Saturday, March 30, 1 p.m. Bobcat Football Stadium

It's time for the Bobcats to show the Griz what we're really made of. The proceeds from this year's Bloodbath of the Wild will be donated to the Booch for the Broke local charity, with MSU and UM each matching the cost of registration per confirmed kill. Register online for \$50 at www.msubobcats.com.

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FRIDAY NIGHT SWING DANCING Friday, March 29, 7 p.m. Romney Hall

Test your timing and your balance with Friday Night Swing Dancing. Prior experience is preferred, but first-time attendees can still contribute by pushing the swings. Please wear appropriate dancing attire and bring your own swing set. This week's lesson will focus on the use of the rare high-back, full-bucket swing.

EXIT GALLERY RECEPTION Tuesday, April 2, 4 p.m. MSU Exit Gallery

It's...square? I'm not sure how to describe what I'm looking at anymore. All I can tell you is that I can feel it now, in the back of my mind. It's always there. Always. There. Like a good friend or that sinking feeling of knowing that our existence is less than a flash in the boundless expanse of an infinite universe.

LOCAL MAN CLIMBS ROCK Wednesday, April 3, 8 a.m. Hyalite Canyon

I guess this is kind of a big thing out here? Yeah, some dude is gonna climb a rock with a rope. Wow.



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PALE PAW Saturday, March 30, 1 p.m. SUB Rec Center

MSU is proud to unveil the first of its new Pale Paw hard seltzer drinking fountains. Beginning in the fall of 2019, these fountains will be available at multiple locations across campus, but students can try them out right now! Available in Ruby Grapefruit and Bashful Banana flavors.

PUBLIC WHIPPING Monday, April 1, 12 p.m. SUB Ballroom A

Sophomore Billy Turner will receive 12 lashes before the mast as punishment for disobeying the orders of his RA to remove the paper snowflakes from the water pipes in the Quad living room. four lashes will also be given to freshman Janine Hay for taking a bagel from the dining hall.

HELP! Now Here

I'm counting on the fact that no one reads the Exponent to keep this message from reaching the wrong eyes. My cover is blown and Cruzaldo knows I'm here. I've managed to evade her for now, but I can see her crawling down the mall from my window. Send extraction immediately.

POWER WALK TO THE PUB Monday, April 1, 3 p.m. Pub 317

Still need to work of all that St. Patrick's Day beer? Join Pub 317 for the Power Walk to the Pub and start burning those calories. Route options include a 5K, 10K and a treadmill outside the front of the pub. Heel! Toe! Heel! Toe!



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Culinary delights at Rendezvous Dining Hall

BY QUINCY BALIUS

Bozeman's trendy, upbeat food scene encompasses everything from down-home, southern-fried chicken at Roost to elegant appetizers at Plonk. However, one establishment criminally forgotten by food critics is truly deserving of review. The Rendezvous Dining Pavilion, opened in 2018, offers up a uniquely fun and tasty dining experience.

Rendezvous is certainly one of our campus' food hot spots. It is often difficult to find a place to sit during peak hours, which is evidence of the wonderful food and pleasant company you will encounter within its walls. The crush of people pushing for a chance at the hot bar of fries simply adds to the ambiance.

Rendezvous's customers include an entrancing blend of raucous college students mixed with the occasional confused family. These patrons frequently yell at their friends on different floors of the building or scream out a variety of swear words, simply adding spice to an already wonderful meal.

Of course, the main draw of the dining pavilion is the food. At Rendezvous, you will embark on a culinary journey across at least two different types of fare, depending on the day. You can also sip on a smoothie if you arrive bright and early on a weekday. You might even be able to taste a scrumptious, feathery crepe loaded down with canned peaches if you somehow manage to nail down the correct morning to arrive at the hall. The amorphous schedule of available food brings a fun element of surprise to any trip to Rendezvous.

The meal began with a dented orange boasting a rich history of long-

haul transportation, cold storage, and excellent care by underpaid student workers. Its sharp, citrusy tones cleansed my palate as I started in on my main course: a uniquely-shaped Mexican beef burrito stuffed with the finest Montana ingredients.

My first bite was a heavenly experience of canned refried beans, soggy lettuce and fatty beef. I was initially disappointed by the lack of flavor from the guacamole and the enchilada sauce. In hindsight, had these ingredients retained any of their flavor they would have drowned out the subtle interplay of the beef and beans. It was a splendid exploration of Mexican cuisine through obviously Montanan tastes and textures.

Satisfied, I used one of Rendezvous' custom-printed napkins to dab my lips. I selected a slice of pie from the dessert station and cheerfully dug in. Rendezvous chose to use an interesting combination of limp crust and underbaked apples, which was a bold step away from traditional apple pie. This unique take paired well with a cup of coffee. It is exactly this kind of culinary ingenuity and daring that should put Rendesvous on any foodie's radar.

Rendezvous Dining Pavilion is an excellent choice for anyone looking for a great meal. From adventurers hiking or skiing the Bridger Mountains to intellectuals making their way through Bozeman's beautiful bookstores and museums, anyone who's grown tired of flavorful food overwhelming their taste buds can finally enjoy an establishment just for them. It's an exquisite representation of the love and thought that goes into every aspect of MSU.

Montana to leave greatest country on Earth

BY DYLAN VOGEL

Well, it happened. Turns out that the rumors about it earlier in the year through a link that went viral from Fox News weren't rumors at all. Montana was sold to Canada on March 18 for a whopping \$4.20 trillion. This was decided on by the Trump Administration as a way to help fund the southern border wall. Trump is quoted as saying, "By generously providing Canada with Montana, we now have money to build the southern border wall, which we desperately need."

What does this mean for MSU? Well there are going to be some changes. Fortunately, tuition in Canada is, on average, \$3,000 cheaper annually. Since there are no states, we would not have to worry about paying out-ofstate costs for college. We would pay the same amount of tuition that Canadian citizens, which is roughly 6,838 Canadian dollars for undergraduate studies as reported by *www.topuniversities.com*.

While our hockey team might not be as successful as it was this year, our other sports teams should improve drastically — especially our football team, which could potentially become one of the best programs in the nation. Although the football crowds will likely be worse since the national drinking age is only 18.

Canada's healthcare policies are not friendly to students either. We have to pay higher taxes, just in case one drunken teenager decides to jump off a roof in order to smash a table. In fact, the average Canadian pays about CA\$4,400 a year for healthcare in taxes, according to *www.fraserinstitute.org.* All just to make sure the people who actually use that care don't experience financial ruin. On the plus side we'll get to have exponentially more fun.

Becoming Canadian is going to suck. We are all going to have to be nicer people and invite our friends over for weekend cookouts. The skiing is awful, hockey is one of the only sports to watch and the tuition is too affordable to be true. Why did our government do this to us? Why did they abandon us to these monsters? WHY?



Look at that! You're Canadian now, eh?

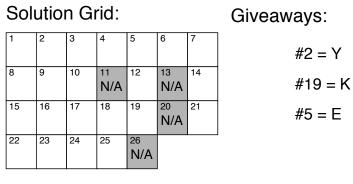
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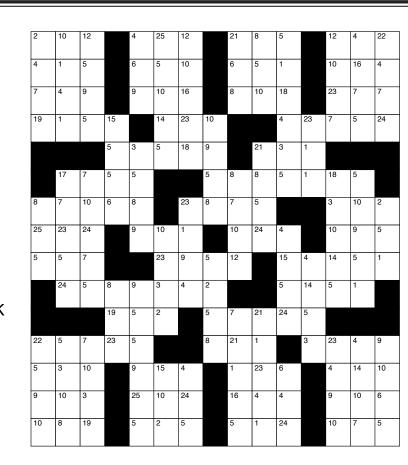
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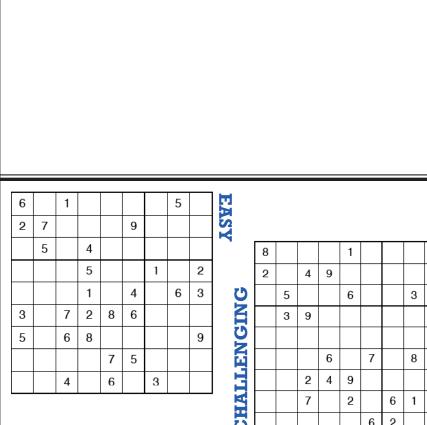


How to Solve a Clueless Crossword:

Think of a Clueless Crossword as a mix between a regular crossword puzzle and a cryptogram Unlike many crossword puzzles, this grid is filled only with common, everyday English-language words - no abbreviations or other special "crossword" spellings are allowed. Each square in the grid is numbered 1 through 26, and each number corresponds to one (and only one) letter in the alphabet. Your goal is to completely fill in the crossword grid by gradually uncovering the letter that belongs to each number. We've given you three "giveaway" combinations - fill those into the solution grid and into any corresponding boxes in the crossword grid to get started. It helps to cross out each letter in alphabet as you use it in the grid, since no letter can be used more than once. Note that not all letters of the alphabet may be used in any given puzzle. If a number isn't used in the puzzle, it is greyed out in the solution grid. Good luck!







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People who are dummy thicc

Solid Snake **Colonel Sanders** Aunt Fanny The Harry Potter **Puppet Pals** Cap'n Crunch Barney The hash-slinging slasher **Big Cat** Nicolas Cage Elastigirl Anthony Sullivan Salt Bae Charlie and his unicorn A Big Gulp Jack Horner Harambe B7 The Falcon Heavy Robert Kraft The Nesquik Bunny The cutie reading this :) Champ Steve Buscemi The Exponent staff Jeff Goldblum Andy Reid A real big egg™ Solid Snaque Old MacDonald, e-ie-i-woah The Curiosity Rover

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Many militaries train 'combat dolphins' to perform dangerous tasks.

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> Sudoku Puzzle #I363WM Presented by Puzzle Baron

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