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A



B

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 1. Pattern card missing light blue shapes 2. Puzzle pieces on table
 3. Marble on table 4. Missing pieces from child's hand



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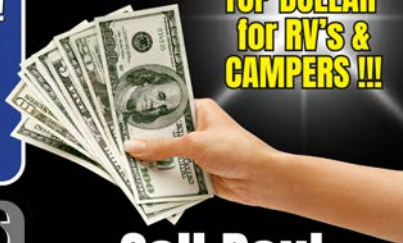
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Miller beer variety
- 4. Member of people inhabiting Bering Sea islands
- 9. Stomach
- 14. Investment vehicle
- 15. Fictional soccer coach Ted
- 16. Irregular in botanical parlance
- 17. Cease standing
- 18. "American Horror Story" actress
- 20. Grow milk teeth
- 22. Plant parts
- 23. Snow house
- 24. Most contemptuous
- 28. Note to repay
- 29. Old English
- 30. Wings
- 31. Financial institutions
- 33. Parks and Lopez are two
- 37. Mr. T's "The A-Team" character
- 38. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- 39. Give off
- 41. Semitic alphabet letter
- 42. Farm state
- 43. Actress Sarandon
- 44. Back parts
- 46. Zoroastrian concept of holy fire
- 49. Touchdown
- 50. One point north of due east
- 51. Refurbishes
- 55. Silver and Dogg are two
- 58. Former Tigers catcher Alex
- 59. Type of envelope
- 60. Seriously considered
- 64. Unhappy
- 65. Past (archaic)
- 66. Asian wild dog
- 67. Old English letter
- 68. Young domestic sheep
- 69. Football players need to gain them

70. Witness

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Dormant Peruvian volcano
- 2. Norwegian composer
- 3. Indicates location
- 4. Pubs
- 5. Unable to walk easily
- 6. Electronic warfare-support measures
- 7. World leader
- 8. Midsection
- 9. Jewish calendar month
- 10. Urological condition
- 11. A small quantity of anything
- 12. Mountain Time
- 13. Affirmative
- 19. Word element meaning ear
- 21. Carried away
- 24. Short-billed rails
- 25. Newborn child
- 26. Sword
- 27. Groups of people
- 31. Prickly, scrambling shrubs
- 32. Become less intense
- 34. Polishes
- 35. Indicates position
- 36. Songs sung to one's beloved
- 40. The 12th letter of the Greek alphabet
- 41. Insects
- 45. Israeli politician
- 47. Pre-digital
- 48. Roaming
- 52. Ambience
- 53. Brew
- 54. Late
- 56. Make ecstatically happy
- 57. Semitic alphabet letter
- 59. Blend
- 60. Dash
- 61. Self
- 62. Exclamation of satisfaction
- 63. Hill or rocky peak

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Take hot chocolate to the next level

People tend to think of sipping ice cream floats in the middle of summer when temperatures are soaring. Ice cream floating in a bubbling base of cola or root beer can be a welcome treat on a hot day. However, floats can be just as delicious when the weather chills, particularly when ice cream enhances rich and decadent hot chocolate.

For this "Hot Chocolate Float" from "Chocolate: Over 100 Temptingly-Tasty Dishes" (Love Food) by the Love Food editors, coconut- and chocolate-flavored scoops of ice cream bob and melt in creamy hot chocolate. Feel free to use your favorite flavors of ice cream to make this recipe your own, and you can even make this drink a boozy version with the inclusion of a shot of flavored vodka.

**Hot Chocolate Float
Serves 4**

- 2 cups milk
- 8 ounces semisweet chocolate
- 2 tablespoons superfine sugar
- 8 scoops coconut ice cream
- 8 scoops semisweet chocolate ice cream
- Whipped cream, to decorate

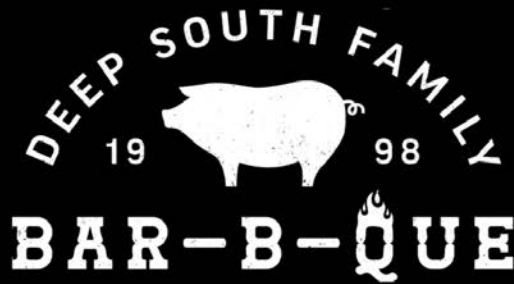
Pour the milk into a saucepan. Break the chocolate into pieces and add to the saucepan with the sugar. Stir over low heat until the chocolate has melted, the sugar has dissolved and the mixture is smooth. Remove the saucepan from the heat. Put 1 scoop of coconut ice cream into each of 4 heatproof glasses, top with a scoop of chocolate ice cream, then repeat the layers.

Pour the chocolate flavored milk into the glasses, top with whipped cream, and serve immediately.



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7 facts about the attack on Pearl Harbor

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In remembrance of the attack, here are seven facts about this infamous day in American history.

1. Hundreds of Japanese fighter planes descended on the base. The first wave of 189 launched at 7:55 am and the second wave of 170 aircraft launched at 8:40 am.
2. The Wickes-class destroyer USS Ward was the first to fire shots on December 7, 1941. The minesweeper Connor spotted a Japanese sub's periscope in the waters near the base, and the USS Ward sank the Ko-hyoteki-class midget submarine near the entrance to the harbor.
3. Prior to the Pearl Harbor attack, economic sanctions and trade embargoes were established by the United States against Japan in response to Japanese expansion into China's import market and the Japanese attitude toward that country. The Pearl Harbor attacks were likely retribution against these sanctions and due to an apparent standoff in negotiations between Tokyo and Washington, D.C.
4. The attack on Pearl Harbor lasted one hour and 15 minutes.
5. The attack killed 2,403 service members and wounded 1,178 more. Six U.S. ships were destroyed or sank, and 169 U.S. Navy and Army Air Corps planes were destroyed.
6. Although the attack was a surprise that morning, the base knew that something could be coming. Admiral Husband E. Kimmel and Lieutenant Walter C. Short, who shared command at Pearl Harbor, were previously warned three times of the possibility of war on October 16, November 24 and November 27. The dispatched "war warning" said to "execute an appropriate defensive deployment," according to Britannica.
7. President Franklin D. Roosevelt addressed a joint session of the U.S. Congress on December 8, the day after the Pearl Harbor attack. He called December 7, 1941, "a date which will live in infamy." The same day Congress approved Roosevelt's declaration of war on Japan. Three days later, Japanese allies Italy and Germany declared war on the United States.



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DECEMBER

5th

Christmas on Mail & Tree Lighting, 7th Annual Tree Lighting. Join us at 51 W Fort Dade Ave, Brooksville, FL. Festivities begin at 5 PM. You can expect Street Carolers, Mean Santa Clause, Shop & Celebrate and taste the festive flavors from food trucks and local Downtown Businesses. Patricia's Boutique Windows "Come to Life" at 6pm. Tree lighting Ceremony starts at 7pm. This is a night you do not want to miss!

6th

Dade City Christmas Parade hosted by the Pioneer Florida Museum and Village will begin at 7 PM in Downtown Dade city. Parade route is on 7th Street in between MLK Blvd and Church Street.

13th

Join us for a night of lights presented by the Hernando Historical Museum Association from 6-9PM at the May-Stringer House Museum located at 601 Museum Ct, Brooksville, FL. \$10 Adults, \$5 Children ages 5-12 (tickets can be purchased at the door). Wander through the festively adorned rooms of this stunning Victorian home, and let the holiday spirit transport you to a bygone era. Whether you're a history enthusiast, a lover of Christmas decor, or just looking for a festive evening out, this event is sure to delight.

20th & 21st

Join us for a heartwarming holiday tradition in the charming South Brooksville avenue Historic district! The 3rd Annual South Brooksville Avenue Christmas Stroll is a free, family-friendly event where the magic of Christmas comes alive. Lights on historic houses, Free hot cocoa & Smores, Free movies on the lawn, Sneak peak into Santa's Brooksville Delivery Station, Photo op with Mr. & Mrs. Claus, Music, Dancing, Food vendors, and more. This event is from 5:30 -9pm at S. Brooksville Ave. Brooksville, FL

21st

Santa is Coming To Town Saturday, Dec. 21st, 2024 between 10:00AM - 4:00 PM
Hernando Historical Museum located at 66 Russell St, Brooksville, FL - Bring your Camera for Picture with Santa, Vendors, Food trucks, Crafts, Facepainting and games for the children.
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29th

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Weeki Wachee Seniors Citizens Club - Come and enjoy time with other active club members; indoor activities include Arts, Crafts: such as (Knitting, Crocheting, Rug Hooking) Card games (Canasta, Pinochle, Poker, Golf, Skip Bo) Games (Mexican Train Dominos, Board games). The Rock Club meets once a month and display gems, mineral, fossils and jewelry. BINGO is ongoing every Thursday 1- PM to 4 PM - Jackpot now is over \$200. (Open to the public) lunch, snacks, and drinks available. Building available to rent for those special events, call Carol (570-441-9139) Now a new program is starting, Sweating to the Oldies on Wednesday mornings. Location 3357 Susan Drive, Spring Hill, 34606 (east of Hwy 19 off Toucan Trail)

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Families can create their own Advent calendars

Advent is observed in most Christian denominations as a time of preparation for the celebration of the birth of Christ at Christmas as well as the return of Jesus at the Second Coming. On the liturgical calendar, Advent falls between Thanksgiving and Christmas, and begins roughly four weeks prior to December 25 each year. Although the Bible doesn't say anything about observing the tradition of Advent, it has existed within the Christian church for centuries. Key symbols of Advent include lighting the Advent wreath at Mass each Sunday and counting down to Christmas with an Advent calendar.

Families that partake in the Advent countdown look to Advent calendars to help them stay on track. Advent calendars run the gamut from the simple to the elaborate. Although calendars can be purchased from various retailers, it can be a thoughtful and family-oriented project to make one at home for all to enjoy. The following are some ideas for crafty Advent calendars.

Psalms and scripture

Craft a simple Advent calendar that contains a series of cards that, when turned over, reveal a particular passage of scripture to read or a psalm that can be recited or sung. Choose passages that directly relate to the birth of Jesus if you'd like.

Good deeds

Use Advent to focus on being a better person in preparation for the joy of Christmas. Behind each calendar date, children and adults can affix certain tasks that can help them strengthen their faith. Ideas can include volunteering at a charity, donating time at church, attending a special event featuring traditional Christmas carols, or making a meal and bringing it to an elderly neighbor.

Craft for youngsters

Very young children may not understand the significance of Advent, but they can still participate in the countdown to Christmas.

One idea is to get a large, Christmas-related picture and attach it to a piece of poster board. Then cut out shapes from construction paper that relate to the image that will be attached over the image to conceal it. For example, a Christmas tree image can be covered by birds, ornaments, pine cones, and other shapes. Each day of Advent, kids can remove one of these coverings. By the time Christmas has arrived, the underlying image will be fully revealed.

Food focused

Many store-bought Advent calendars are cardboard creations with small doors that hide chocolates behind them. Often that chocolate is not very tasty. Families that love to spend time in the kitchen can have a living Advent calendar where each day is a new food adventure to whip up or purchase. Advent calendars help people remain mindful of the time leading up to Christmas through meaningful reflection and time spent together.





Math Blocks

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Solution

THIS DAY IN HISTORY



1492: After exploring Cuba for gold, Christopher Columbus lands on an island he names Hispaniola.

1790: The U.S. Congress moves from New York City to Philadelphia.

2006: NASA reveals photos that suggest liquid water is present on Mars.

Fun FACT:

This popular party decoration was created in 1824 by Michael Faraday during experiments with various gases.

Answer: Balloon

Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

H R T W O A R Y A T P

Answer: Throw a party

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a party or social event

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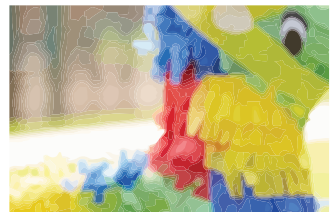
- English:** Surprise
- Spanish:** Sorprender
- Italian:** Sorprendere
- French:** Surprendre
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Did You Know?

In 1796, Amelia Simmons invented the cupcake and also wrote the first published American cookbook. Cupcakes have been a staple of many celebrations ever since.



Get the PICTURE?



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

Answer: Photo



What kind of photos do elves post on social media?
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**Why didn't Rudolph get
a good report card?
Because he went down
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Lemon cupcakes are on the menu

Cupcakes are handheld treats that can make any celebration even more spectacular. If guests expect the standard flavors of chocolate, vanilla or even red velvet, change things up with a sunny surprise: lemon!

Enjoy this recipe for "Lemon Drizzle Cupcakes" from "Jane's Patisserie" (Sourcebooks) by Jane Dunn. Anything with sweet drizzle is a hit, and these cupcakes deliver plenty of lemony flavor in every bite.

Note: Imperial measurements were approximated from the metric and may not be exact. Using a food scale set to grams and weighing ingredients will produce the most authentic version of this recipe.

Lemon Drizzle Cupcakes (Makes 12)

Cupcakes:

- 150 grams (1/2 cup) butter or baking spread
- 150 grams (1/2 cup) caster sugar
- 3 eggs
- 150 grams (1 cup) self-raising flour
- Zest of 1 lemon

Drizzle:

- Juice of 2 lemons
- 75 grams (5 1/2 tablespoons) caster sugar

Lemon Buttercream:

- 150 grams (1/2 cup) unsalted butter, at room temperature
- 300 grams (2 1/4 cups) icing sugar
- Juice of 1/2 lemon
- Sprinkles
- Lemon zest

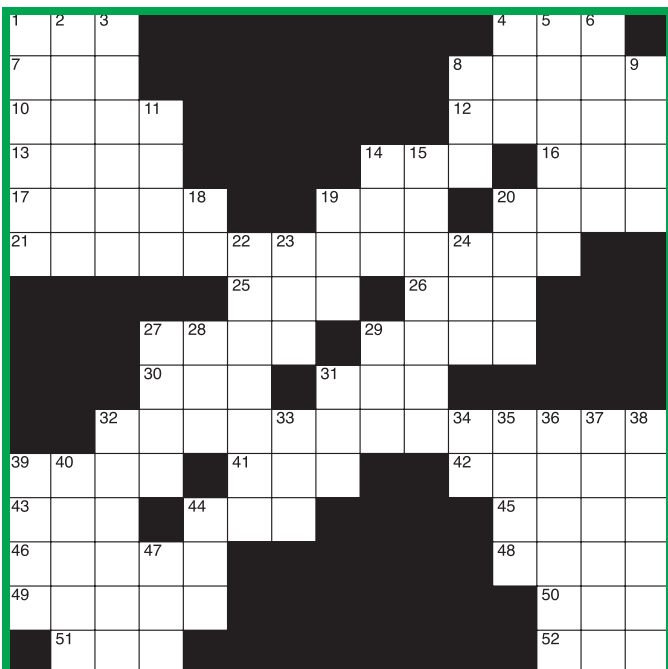


Preheat the oven to 180 C (350 F) and get 12 cupcake cases (liners) ready. Beat the butter with the sugar until light and fluffy. Add the eggs, self-raising flour and lemon zest and mix until combined. Spoon the mix evenly into the cupcake cases (liners) and bake for 18 to 22 minutes until they are baked through and springy to the touch.

Mix together the lemon juice and sugar for the drizzle in a bowl. Once the cupcakes are out of the oven, carefully spoon the drizzle over the cupcakes, then leave them to cool fully on a wire rack while you make the buttercream.

Beat the butter until smooth; this can take a couple of minutes. Add the icing sugar in two batches, beating well after each addition, then add the lemon juice and beat again.

Pipe or spread the buttercream onto your cupcakes, then sprinkle each one with some sprinkles and lemon zest.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Central processing unit
- 4. Taxi
- 7. Body part
- 8. Papal court
- 10. Young women making their public debuts
- 12. Metal shackles
- 13. Joseph's wife
- 14. Licensed professional
- 16. Partner to cheese
- 17. Mild fruits
- 19. File format
- 20. Province of Indonesia
- 21. Beloved grilled foods
- 25. Bar bill
- 26. Don't know when yet
- 27. Whale ship captain
- 29. Touches softly
- 30. Mock
- 31. Red-brown Pacific sea bream
- 32. Summer entertainment options
- 39. Protective crust
- 41. Cool!
- 42. Behave in a way that belittles
- 43. Denial
- 44. A place to sleep
- 45. Electronic counter-countermeasures
- 46. Intestinal pouches
- 48. SE Asia family of languages
- 49. Sound
- 50. Select
- 51. Give the impression of dishonesty
- 52. Witness

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Of cadmium
- 2. Deliver a sermon
- 3. Inner regions of a shadow
- 4. Aggressive dog
- 5. Smells
- 6. Twofold
- 8. Former OSS
- 9. Computer language
- 11. Indian groom
- 14. Automobile
- 15. Hairstyle
- 18. Atomic #76
- 19. Guy (slang)
- 20. Ladies' undergarments
- 22. Furniture with open shelves
- 23. Back-arc basin
- 24. Partner to flow
- 27. A type of horse
- 28. Possesses
- 29. Split pulses
- 31. Small amount
- 32. Flat-bottomed riverboat
- 33. Not good
- 34. Atomic #31
- 35. Assist in committing a crime
- 36. Chauvinists
- 37. Get away
- 38. One of a people who speaks a Semitic language
- 39. Civil rights college organization
- 40. Combustible dark rocks
- 44. Grocery container
- 47. Central nervous system

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December Days Past

December 1st 1955 Rosa Parks is arrested for refusing to move to the back of a bus and give her seat to a white passenger in Montgomery, Alabama

December 2nd 1845 US President James K. Polk announces to Congress that the United States should aggressively expand into the West, a widely held belief termed "manifest destiny" by newspaper editor John O'Sullivan

December 3rd 1586 Sir Thomas Herriot introduces potatoes to England from Colombia

December 4th 38 colonists from Berkeley Parish, England disembark in Virginia and give thanks to God. Considered by many the first Thanksgiving in the Americas



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December 6th 2006 NASA reveals photographs taken by Mars Global Surveyor suggesting the presence of liquid water on Mars

December 7th 1941 Imperial Japanese Navy with 353 planes attack the US fleet at Pearl Harbor Naval Base, Hawaii, killing 2,403 people

December 8th 1863 Abraham Lincoln issues his Amnesty Proclamation and plan for Reconstruction of the South

December 9th 1907 First Christmas Seals sold (Wilmington, Delaware)

December 10th 1962 David Lean's film "Lawrence of Arabia", based on life of T. E. Lawrence and starring Peter O'Toole, premieres at Odeon Leicester Square (Academy Awards Best Picture 1963)

December 11th 1913 "Mona Lisa" recovered two years after it was stolen from the Louvre Museum

December 12th 1901 Guglielmo Marconi sends the first transatlantic radio signal, from Poldhu in Cornwall to Newfoundland, Canada



December 13th 1636 Birthday of the National guard

December 14th 1911 Norwegian Roald Amundsen's Antarctic expedition is the 1st to reach the South Pole

December 15th 1915 WWI: ANZAC forces begin their withdrawal from the Gallipoli Peninsula after Ottoman forces successfully defend access to Constantinople

December 16th 1773 Boston tea party incident - Sons of Liberty protesters throw tea shipments into Boston harbor in protest against British imposed Tea Act

December 17th 1989 "The Simpsons" premieres on Fox TV

December 18th 1719 Thomas Fleet publishes "Mother Goose's Melodies For Children" in Boston, Massachusetts

December 19th 1960 Frank Sinatra's 1st session with Reprise Records

December 20th 1803 French flag lowered in New Orleans to mark the formal transfer of the Louisiana Purchase from France to USA

December 21st 1620 Mayflower Pilgrims come ashore in Plymouth Bay, traditionally thought to be at Plymouth Rock, Massachusetts



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December 24th 1893 Henry Ford completes his first useful petrol / gasoline fuelled engine

December 25th 1868 Despite bitter opposition, US President Andrew Johnson grants unconditional pardon to all persons involved in Southern rebellion (Civil War)

December 26th 1908 African-American boxer Jack Johnson stops Canadian defending champion Tommy Burns in the 14th round in Sydney, Australia, to become the first black man to win world heavyweight title; Burns is favorite in 12th title defense but Johnson dominates before police stop the bout

December 27th 1947 1st "Howdy Doody Show" (Puppet Playhouse), telecast on NBC

December 28th 1612 First observation of Neptune - Gaileo observes and records a "fixed star" without realizing it is a planet

December 29th 1845 Texas admitted as 28th state of the Union

December 30th 1924 Astronomer Edwin Hubble formally announces existence of other galactic systems at meeting of the American Astronomical Society

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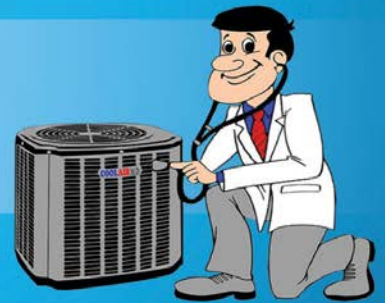
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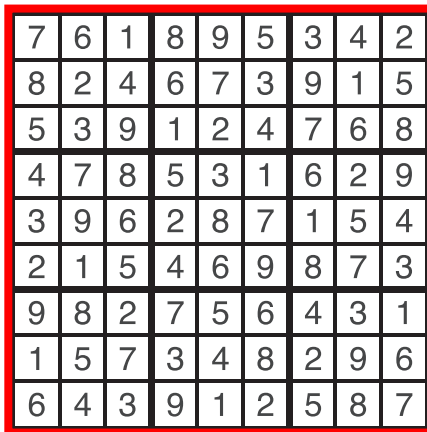
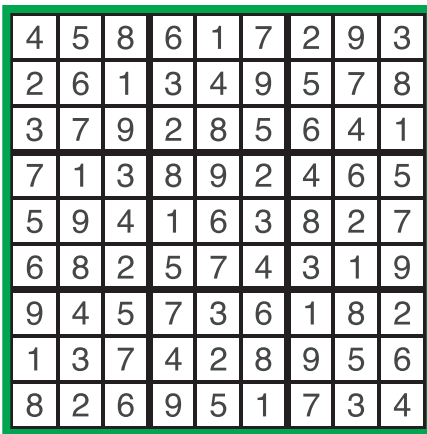
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**Peddlin' Penny's were hidden on pages...
3, 4, 7, 15, 17 & 23**



November 7th, 2024

We had the pleasure of seeing Little again this time because she won a new hat after finding all the "Peddlin' Penny's in the November edition of the Citrus Sumter Peddler's Post. Since meeting Little back in May 2024, we have chatted from time to time and I am proud to say I can consider her a friend. Little emits light out of every pore of her tiny stature, which is so bright!

When we first met Little she shared with us that she was proud to have recently been able to give up the wheelchair that had her bound. That was May and at that time she was using two crutches. As you can see in the picture yesterday she now is able to get around with just one! She is proud that she has been able to accomplish this all naturally.

Little likes just about everything about the Peddler's Post, when she is not reading one you can find her volunteering at Precious Paws Rescue, Inc! She loves helping the cats there! Little also loves nature and would prefer to be outside over in the AC any day.

Since we were both rocking fashion from Hot Topic yesterday, and also had matching hats, we decided to do a video. Check out our Reels/Video's to see it!

Lori L. from the Hernando/Pasco area was our 3rd winner. We were unable to connect with her in order to meet for a picture.

Matt Met up with PJ over at Sweetwater Sun RV Communities office over in Zephyrhills, FL the other day as she is one of our November scavenger hunt winners. She picked up the November edition of the Peddler's Post at the Life's Treasures Thrift Stores over on Allen Road.

PJ likes the classified section the best as she has always loved to read the classifieds with her dad, and it brings back great memories for her.

PJ shared that she used to work for the Thrifty Nickel and this paper reminds her of that. She always likes to pick it up these types of papers as she never wants them to go away.

PJ loves to do resell. She buys items and then sells them on EBAY. She likes to explore flea markets, thrift stores and yard sales. She also loves exploring new restaurants in the area which the Peddler's Post is helpful for.

We hope PJ enjoys her new hat!





Go "mutts" for these pet gifts

Pet parents try to ensure their companion animals never want for anything. People will go to great lengths to pamper their pets with the best care, food and accessories. According to the American Pet Products Association, consumers in the United States spent \$147 billion on pets in 2023. And it's not just the essentials that have people opening up their wallets for pets. A 2022 YouGov survey found that 57 percent of owners buy holiday gifts for their pets and 40 percent host birthday celebrations. With the holiday season on the horizon, there's a good chance that beloved pets are on gift lists this year, particularly for Gen Z pet owners. A study of 1,000 U.S. adults conducted by Talker Research for Newsweek found that Gen Z spends an average of \$148.50 on their pets each month, the highest of all surveyed. For those shopping for gifts their pets will enjoy, these options could have tails wagging.

- ~ **Treat dispenser:** It isn't possible to be home with their pets all of the time. A dispenser that can be programmed to offer treats at certain intervals or connected to an app that enables a person to release one at the push of a button can be a nice gift to surprise stay-at-home pets.
- ~ **Puzzle toy:** Pets need to keep their brains working; otherwise, they may get bored and into trouble. A puzzle toy that has treats or kibble hidden behind panels helps pets remain mentally sharp.
- ~ **Pet booties:** When the weather gets chilly, walking dogs outdoors on the ice and snow can be painful on their paws. A pair of booties can protect the delicate pads of pets' feet from ice melt products, snow and sharp objects.
- ~ **New bed:** Upgrade a pet's bed to something even more lush and comfortable. A fleece blanket and a dedicated pet pillow can help pets feel even more pampered.
- ~ **Safety belt:** Guarantee that trips in the car to the dog park or other excursions are safer by gifting a safety pet harness that works like a seatbelt in a vehicle.
- ~ **Grooming package:** Everyone wins when a pet is washed, dried and primped to perfection. Professional groomers have the skills to tame excess fur and trim nails so pets smell wonderful and remain comfortable.
- ~ **New toys:** Whether a pet is a parakeet or poodle, gifts of new toys can be engaging for animals who have grown bored with their old ones.

Be sure to wrap up clever gifts for pets so that every member of the family has something to enjoy come the holidays.



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