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TAKE A PEEK AT WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE AT THE
BLUE GOOSE

GEORGIA WAR VETERANS NURSING HOME

October 2025



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GEORGIA WAR
WOULD LIKE TO WISH
YOU A MONTH FILLED
WITH LOVE, PEACE, AND
JOY.

WELCOME

Karl Koritko
Jimmy Chesser
Edwin Scott

Samuel Franklin
George Tutt

Pinnacle Honorable Mentions September

Amy Green
Admissions
Quentarious Robinson
Ariana Usher
Dr. Sams
4th Floor Nursing Staff
Occupational Therapy

Lindsay Mouchet
Fiona Ricot
David Williams
Chaplain Lark
Tamara Glanton
Physical Therapy Dept.

Birthstone: Opal & Tourmaline

Birth Flowers: Calendula

Dates to Remember:

October 12th – National Fossil Day
 October 14th – Canadian Thanksgiving
 October 14th – Columbus Day
 October 24th – United Nations Day
 October 28th – Frankenstein Friday
 October 31st – Halloween



INFECTION PREVENTION UPDATE

The Fall Virus Season is Approaching

As the fall season approaches, we must also welcome back those awful respiratory illnesses: The Flu, COVID-19, and RSV. The confluence of influenza, COVID-19, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), has many of us once again wary of what the upcoming respiratory virus season may bring. The spread of these respiratory viruses across the country means that long-term care communities must get prepared if they enter and spread through their facility. Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home believes that if we get prepared now for what this respiratory season may bring, we may avoid large outbreaks or widespread transmission within our facility. Our goal is to protect our residents, families, staff, and community. We are committed to following the guidance of the CDC to meet this goal. The guidelines describe implementation steps to help limit the spread of infection when a staff member or resident develops COVID-19 or any respiratory illness in our facility. Its guidance also offers the necessary steps to protect our families and other visitors from getting sick. Please note the following:

1. Masks are strongly recommended for **all staff and visitors**.
2. Practice social distancing when appropriate.
3. Please wash/sanitize your hands frequently.
4. If you are sick, please re-plan your visit when you are feeling better.
5. If you are an employee, and you are sick, please stay home and contact your supervisor.

Typical flu season usually starts in September or October with a peak between December and February; however, please be aware that we are already seeing an uptick of COVID-19 cases in the community. Once an individual has been infected with the virus, viral shedding begins within 24 to 48 hours, and it usually takes about 24 hours before symptoms begin. These can include fever or feeling feverish; a stuffy or runny nose; cough; muscle and body aches; headache; fatigue; and vomiting and diarrhea, which are more typical in children than in adults. Influenza can range from asymptomatic to severe illness. Symptoms of COVID-19 and RSV can be similar but take longer after exposure to manifest, usually between 2 and 14 days, but typically by day 5. People infected with RSV are usually contagious for 3 to 8 days and may become contagious a day or two before they start showing signs of illness.

To protect yourself and your family, stay up to date with your immunizations (Flu, COVID, RSV, and Pneumococcal Pneumonia). For more information, visit www.CDC.com or visit your local health department.

DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

The following individuals/organizations contributed their time and or services to GWVNH:

American Legion Department of Georgia	Body wash, snack cakes, razors, toiletries, and puzzle books
American Legion Post 192 Auxiliary	Ice Cream Social, Snack Cakes, Razors, Body Wash, additional toiletries and BINGO & Lunch Outing
American Legion Post 178 Auxiliary	BINGO & Lunch Outing
Chaplain Larry	Church Service
Combat Vets Motorcycle Club	BINGO Prizes, and Candy
DAV (Freddie Swint)	Annual DAV Cookout Funding
Elks Lodge 205	Fresh Melon Social
Evans VFW	Birthday Gifts, cupcakes
Jim & Judy Whalen	Cheeto Puff Tubs
Mackey House Music	Live Music
Project Lifting Spirits	Late Night Movie, & BINGO
Faith Outreach Youth	Snack and Social
First Baptist Church	Sunday Church Service
Evans VFW	Monthly Birthday Party with

DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

The following individuals/organizations made contributions to
our Resident Benefit Fund:

Frank & Olline Thomas

Diedre Gregory

Sue Morgan

Roy & Carolyn Head

Dr. & Mrs. Robert Bays

Kangsun Stone

Marie Whyte

THANK YOU!

WARRIOR OF THE MONTH

“Write what you know.”



It's a classic piece of writing advice, most often attributed, rightly or wrongly, to the great Mark Twain. The irony, of course, lies in the fact that the quote itself is often misremembered. A bit of poetic chaos, really: a quote urging us to capture memory, distorted by time. But if anyone would appreciate that twist of fate, it's Twain himself, a man whose love for stretching the truth is legendary.

That same imaginative spirit lives on in Georgia War's October Warrior of the Month: Mr. Irvine Faulkner Jr.

At 100 years old, Mr. Faulkner has amassed a lifetime of memories and stories layered with wit, wisdom, and just the right amount of embellishment. Whether he's recounting the trials and triumphs of his WWII service or offering the latest clues in the ongoing mystery of his now-infamous red truck, one thing is certain: when Mr. Faulkner speaks, you listen.

Each tale is delivered with such passion, such conviction, that reality begins to bend ever so slightly in his favor and you don't mind one bit. In fact, you find yourself wanting to believe every word. That's the magic of a true storyteller.

And really, who could blame him for a little creative liberty? A century of living earns you that right and then some.

This month, we're not only proud to celebrate Mr. Faulkner's 100th birthday, but also the incredible legacy of stories he continues to share with all of us. His imagination, charm, and resilience are an inspiration, reminding us that the lines between fact and fiction can blur beautifully in the hands of a gifted narrator.

Happy Birthday, Mr. Faulkner, and congratulations on being named Georgia War's October Warrior of the Month. Here's to 100 years of living and many more stories still to come.

Heather Nichols,
Activities Director

NATIONAL HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES WEEK



NATIONAL SECURITY OFFICER APPRECIATION WEEK

CELEBRATING SECURITY OFFICERS

The third week in September is National Security Officer Appreciation Week. This National Week recognizes the in-house and contract security personnel you see patrolling stores, schools, concerts, banks, and other business. It's a career that involves being flexible and getting along with a diverse group of people.

When you see a security officer on the job, stop and thank them for their work. Learn more about the role of a security officer and the many places a security officer may be working.

<https://www.nationaldaycalendar.com/september/national-security-officer-appreciation-week-third-week-in-september>

*Thank
you!*

FUN IN THE SUN



GAMES ON THE UNIT



RESIDENT OUTING



WORSHIP WITH OUR CHAPLAINS



GAMES AND TREATS



SWEET TREATS



HAIRCUTS



GAMES AND ART



BINGO, FLOWERS, AND ART



BINGO AND SUBS



FRESH FRUIT AND FUN



**FUN
Times!**

LIVE MUSIC AND MORE



PET THERAPY



PET THERAPY



VISITS WITH VOLUNTEERS



We love
♥ OUR ♥
Volunteers

WORKING OUT



RIDDLE ME THIS

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 39

1. I have a body, arms, legs and a head, but I'm heartless and have no guts. What am I??
2. I protect, I stand tall, my purpose is to strike fear in all. What am I??
3. Often buried with fabulous wealth, I'm often called wrapped up in myself. What am I??

WORD SCRAMBLE

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 39

Halloween Scramble

Word Bank

Halloween

Spiders

Broomstick

Candy

Zombie

Ghost

Bats

Web

Blood

1. wloaleneh

2. sothg

3. ebw

4. astb

5. oldob

6. mieozb

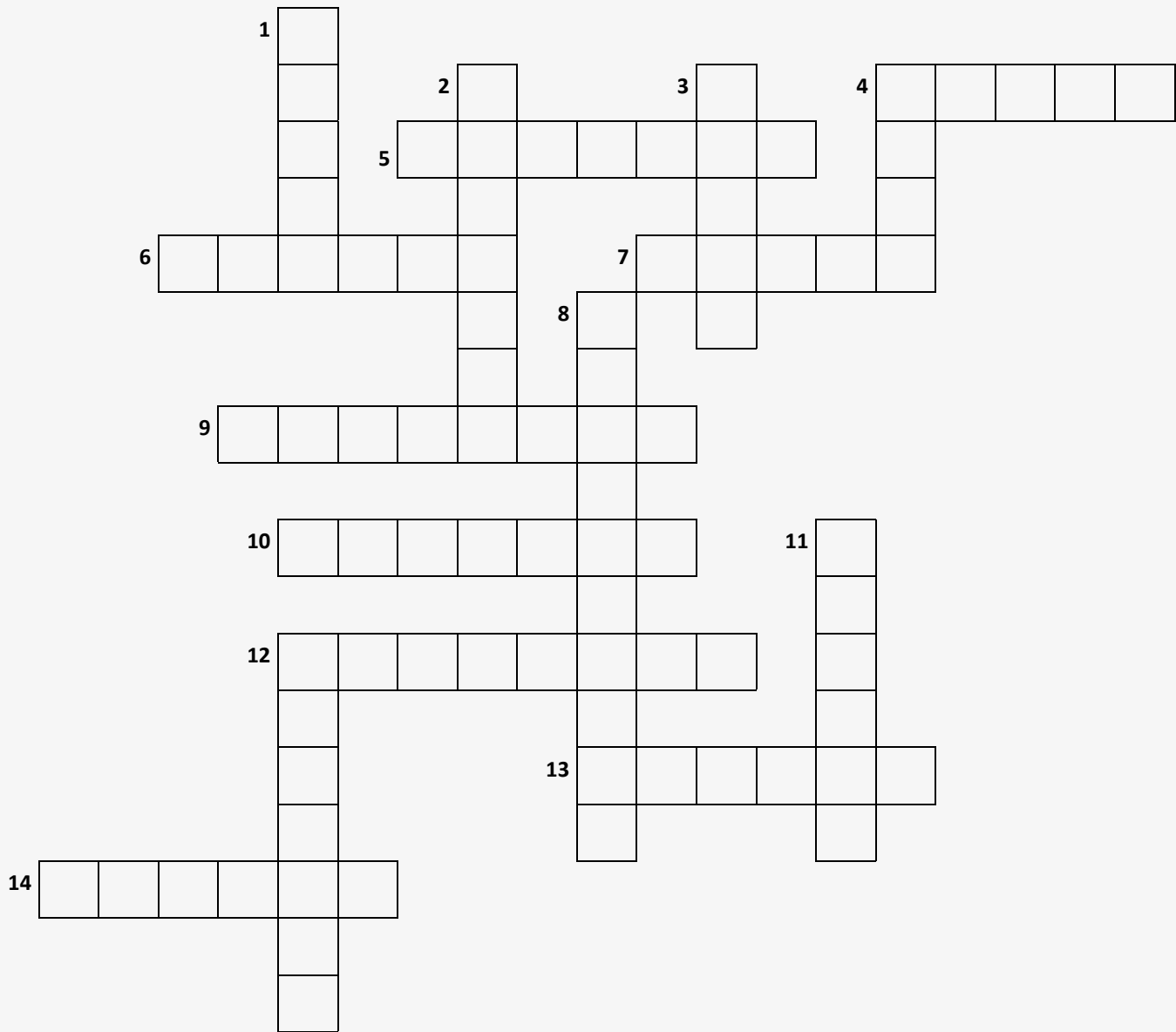
7. nydac

8. dirseps

9. somticobkr

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 40



Across

4. All wrapped up
5. Should avoid the garlic bread
6. This is a magic brew
7. A visitor from outer space
9. A witch's cooking tool
10. Become someone else
12. A full set of bones
13. Home of a spider
14. Has stolen a princess

Down

1. White as a sheet
2. It's filled with ghosts
3. Lives under a bridge
4. At which the wolves howl
8. What a witch might ride
11. Gave someone a fright
12. They lay between light and dark

Mummy	Cauldron
Shadows	Troll
Vampire	Costume
Scared	Haunted
Potion	Skeleton
Broomstick	Ghost
Alien	Cobweb
Moon	Dragon

WORDSEARCH

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 41

halloween

r	o	a	b	s	r	p	s	b	t	s	w	e	e	t	s	o
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b	r	a	i	r	n	n	a	p	b	a	b	m	h	s	e	e

trick or treat	halloween	sweets	zombie
clowns	spider	scary	blood
broom	death	witch	dark
web	bat		

SCAVENGER HUNT

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 42



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PG. _____

PG. _____

PG. _____

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PG. _____

SUDOKU PUZZLE

SOLUTIONS ON PG.

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2		9		8		6		
	4				9	3		8

PUZZLE 1

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	6	7						3

PUZZLE 2

HIDDEN FIGURES PUZZLE

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 43

HOW MANY?



How many of each of the items below can you find in the group above?



FOLLOW THE NUMBERS

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 44

FOLLOW NUMBERS 1 - 50





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31	2	31	30	29	28	12	37	46	47	35
5	9	32	9	30	29	30	21	17	48	12
35	34	33	27	43	44	45	46	47	49	17
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SPOT THE DIFFERENCE PUZZLE

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 45

ODD ONE OUT

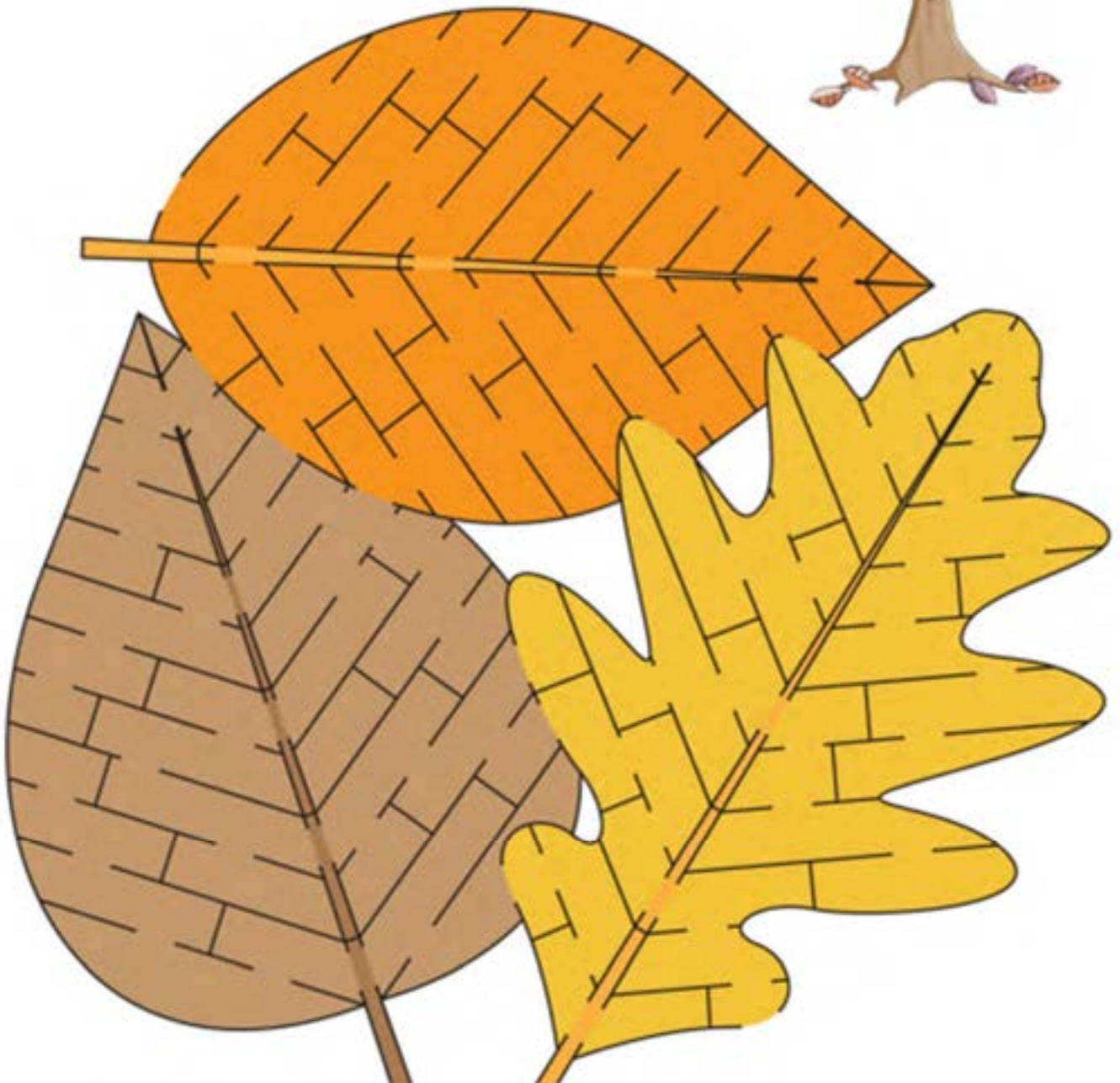
Find the one jack o'lantern that is different from the rest



MAZE PUZZLE

SOLUTION ON PG. 46

Autumn Leaves Maze



COLORING PAGE

*HAPPY
AUTUMN*



COLORING PAGE

Roger Paradise



Hidden Name Contest



Congratulations!
September 2025 Hidden Name
Contest Winners



Benny Polina



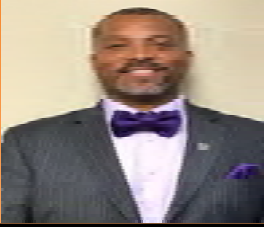
La Quana Davis

Somewhere in this issue, we have hidden the names of one Georgia War Resident and one Staff Member.

If you find your name, please call the Activities Office to claim your prize.

Each month, we will randomly pick the name of one resident and one staff member. Be sure to carefully review each issue to see if your name is hidden somewhere within.

Good Luck!



THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

WITH CHAPLAIN TIMOTHY LARK

Making A Difference

"Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it."
Proverbs 3:27 NASB

I've been reflecting on how crucial it is to understand who we are as a person and acknowledge that we have the ability to impact, improve, and influence those around us. By doing or saying something that will help others become better and not bitter, we can change the world. It seems to me that this world is constantly trying to keep us in a negative state of mind, and we're continuously being bombarded with words that do not uplift, edify, or strengthen us as a people, country, nation, or society. I must remind myself often that I am blessed to be a blessing, and I don't have the right to tear others down. Consider this: "How can I make a difference starting today?" Here is a poem called "The Starfish Story" for your contemplation.

A young man is walking along the ocean and sees a beach on which thousands and thousands of starfish have washed ashore. Further along, he sees an old man, walking slowly and stooping often, picking up one starfish after another and tossing each one gently into the ocean. "Why are you throwing starfish into the ocean?" he asks. "Because the sun is up and the tide is going out, and if I don't throw them further in [the water] they will die." "But, old man, don't you realize there are miles and miles of beach and starfish all along it! You can't possibly save them all; you can't even save one-tenth of them. In fact, even if you work all day, your efforts won't make any difference at all." The old man listened calmly and then bent down to pick up another starfish and threw it into the sea. "It made a difference to that one."

Make it a great day!

Timothy E. Lark

Chaplain

Fallen Heroes by Joyce Atkinson

From the time I was conceived God, had for me a plan
He wanted me to get involved to help my fellow man
I know some were against it but God knows what is best
Since the day He took me home, I've had perfect rest
Heaven is so beautiful I'm walking streets of gold
Now I'm serving others including saints of old
I know some still have anger about the way I died
But God and I both have seen the many tears you've cried
He is a God of comfort whose love will never cease
Give your feelings to Him and He will give you peace
As difficult as it may be, please don't hold a grudge
Remember this my loved ones God alone will judge
Then on that resurrection day when all the dead will rise;
the Lord will reunite us together in the skies
So don't give up my loved ones my memory is still alive
Put your trust in the Lord; I know you will survive!

In Memory of Howard Trotter

RIDDLE ME THIS

SOLUTIONS

1. I have a body, arms, legs and a head, but I'm heartless and have no guts. What am I?? **Skeleton**
2. I protect, I stand tall, and my purpose is to strike fear in all. What am I?? **Scarecrow**
3. Often buried with fabulous wealth, I'm often called wrapped up in myself. What am I?? **Mummy**

WORD SCRAMBLE

SOLUTIONS

Labor Day Word Scramble

Word Bank

Halloween

Spiders

Broomstick

Candy

Zombie

Ghost

Bats

Web

Blood

1. wloaleneh

Halloween

2. sothg

Ghost

3. ebw

Web

4. astb

Bats

5. oldob

Blood

6. mieozb

Zombie

7. nydac

Candy

8. dirseps

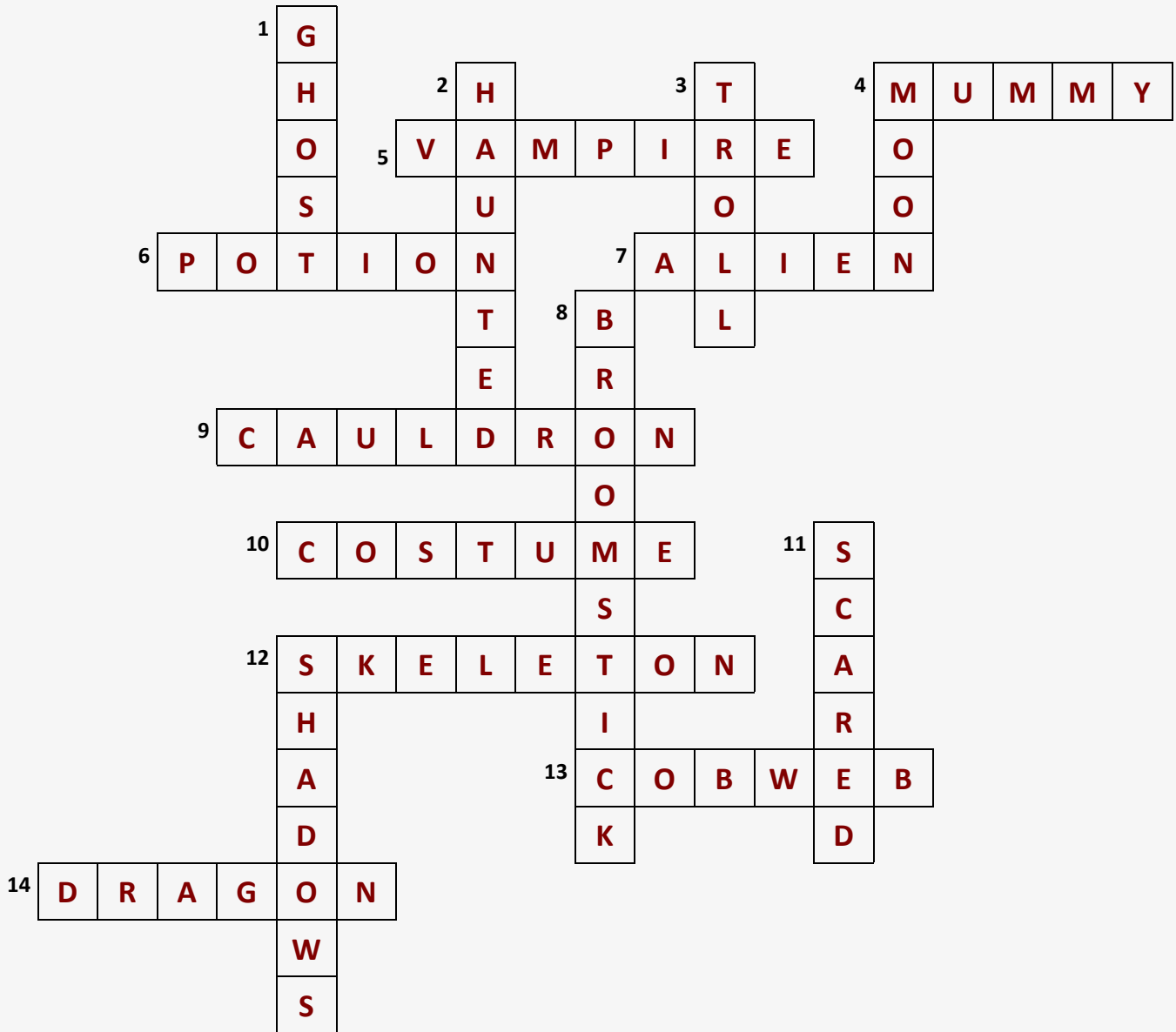
Spiders

9. somticobkr

Broomstick

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

SOLUTIONS



WORDSEARCH

SOLUTIONS

halloween



trick or treat	halloween	sweets	zombie
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web	bat		

SCAVENGER HUNT

SOLUTIONS



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PG. 24



PG. 18



PG. 8



PG. 7



PG. 27

SUDOKU PUZZLE

SOLUTIONS

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PUZZLE 1

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PUZZLE 2

HIDDEN FIGURES PUZZLE

SOLUTIONS



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SPOT THE DIFFERENCE PUZZLE

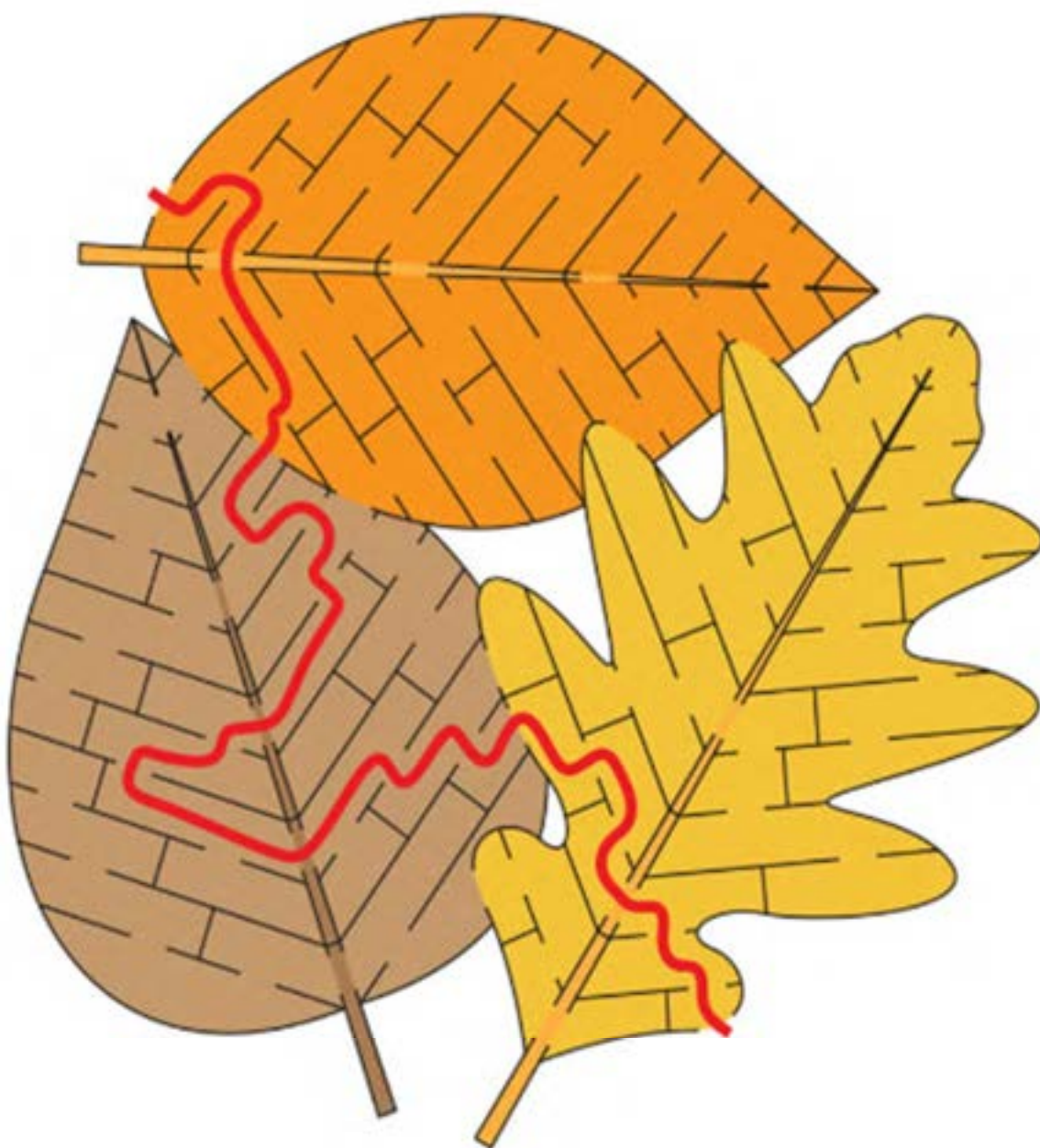
SOLUTIONS



MAZE PUZZLE

SOLUTION

Autumn Maze Solution



Happy Birthday



**WISHING THESE WONDERFUL RESIDENTS AND STAFF
A HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS MONTH!**




Residents

William Douglas Jr.	10/4
Larry Rodgers	10/7
Steven Dunn	10/7
Don Hays	10/16
Fred Hudson	10/17
Delton McCorkle	10/17
Thomas Sampson Jr.	10/22
Edward Elliott	10/25
Donald Cole	10/28
Derrick Stroman	10/29
Irvine Faulkner Jr.	10/30
Herbert West	10/30
Duane Seaborn	10/31

Staff

Seabron Colbert	10/6
Crystal Allen	10/6
Candace Schumann	10/8
Jermaine Winfrey	10/9
Kandice Clements	10/9
Stephanie Murray	10/11
La Quana Davis	10/12
Kenya Williams	10/13
Arreanna Griffin	10/19
Dr. Jody Rocker	10/22
Nathan Williams	10/23
Margareth Jean-Saurel	10/26
Fiona Ricot	10/26
Lindsay Mouchet	10/29
Angela Jones	10/30

October 2025

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
			1 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 UNO Challenge 2:30 DAV BINGO	2 9:00 Movie & Popcorn on each unit 2:30 DAV Ice Cream Social	3 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 The Word with Chaplain Lark 2:30 Pie-Day Slices	4 Family Visits
5 Family Visits Faith Baptist Church @ 2:30	6 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Music in Motion 2:30 BINGO 	7 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Puzzle Packs 2:30 Painting 7:00 CVMA Riders BINGO	8 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Chaplain Larry 10:00 Garden Club 2:30 Elks Lodge 205	9 9:00 Movie & Popcorn on each unit 2:30 Sunshine Therapy	10 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 The Word with Chaplain Lark 2:30 Frozen Fruit Smoothies	11 Faith Out Reach (2nd Floor) @ 10:00
12 Family Visits	13 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Walking Club 2:30 Pumpkin Painting	14 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Game Shows with Friends 2:30 Octaband Stretch	15 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Resident Fall Gardening 2:30 Balloon Volleyball	16 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Chalk Art 2:30 Social with AL Post 192 7:00 Evening Movie	17 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Takin' Shots Nerf Targets 2:30 Frozen Friday	18 Family Visits
19 Mackey House Music @ 2:30	20 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Fall Art 2:30 Veggies for Vets 7:00 BINGO	21 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Puzzle Packs 2:30 PLINKO!	22 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Chaplain Larry 2:30 Punkin' Chunkin' 	23 9:00 Movie & Popcorn on each unit 10:00 Name That Tune 2:30 First Baptist Choir	24 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 The Word with Chaplain Lark 2:30 Frozen Friday	25 Project Lifting Spirits Fall Celebration 11am to 2pm
26 Family Visits Church of Christ @ 2:30	27 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Pumpkin Plotting 2:30 BINGO	28 9:00 Elduets Petting Zoo! 2:30 Pizza Social with AL Post 205	29 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Carnival Games 2:30 Birthday Party With VFW	30 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Boo! Bowling 2:30 Spook-tober Movie	31 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 The Word with Chaplain Lark 2:30 Costume Party! 	

Activities are subject to change based on Resident interest and safety; One-on-one activities occur on each floor

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Thank You



TO ALL OF OUR VETERANS, FAMILIES,
FRIENDS, STAFF, FACULTY, AND
CONTRIBUTORS.



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