# VET \* COM

### **MARCH 2024**

### GEORGIA WAR VETERANS NURSING HOME



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

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



# **INFECTION CONTROL UPDATE**

Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home currently has 20 positive COVID-19 cases. Nursing homes around the United States are experiencing a steady uptick of COVID-19 incidences during this respiratory illness season that has surpassed last year's peak. This is having a direct effect on our residents and staff at Georgia War. Over 65% of our veterans are vaccinated with the most recent COVID-19 vaccine. The CDC recommends that everyone stay up with their vaccines, especially those with weaker immune systems and other comorbidities. However, there is still a chance that vaccinated people will get infected with the virus; therefore, we will continue to do our part by following the GWVNH respiratory illness plan in our efforts to prevent further spread of the COVID-19 and other respiratory viruses such as the flu and RSV within our facility. Thank you and if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to us.

### **Visitation Guidelines:**

- 1. Mask mandate for all staff and visitors. A N-95 or KN 95 respirator must be worn when visiting a floor that has an outbreak of COVID-19
- 2. Only small groups of 5 visitors/volunteers or less permitted in the building at a time.
- 3. No more than 3 family members at a time are permitted to visit a resident. (This does not apply to end-of-life situations.)
  - 4. Visitors under the age of 18 are not permitted in the building. (This does not apply to end-of-life situations.)
    - 5. Practice social distancing when appropriate.
      - 6. Please wash/sanitize hands frequently.
        - 7. If you are sick, please stay at home.

# WELCOME

Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home would like to give a warm welcome to the following new residents:

**Robert Kimble** 

Willie Sutton

Patrick Barney

**Tommy Wilson** 

William Mincey

Birthstone: Aquamarine Flowers: Daffodils

Dates to Remember: National Social Work Month National Careers in Aging Month March 10 - Daylight Savings Time March (11-15) - LTC Administrators Week March 17 - St. Patrick's Day March 19 - First Day of Spring March 29 - Good Friday March 30 - National Doctor's Day March 31 - Easter Sunday

# DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

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

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American Legion Department of Georgia

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American Legion Riders

American Legion Post 192 Auxiliary

AR Work Shop

Augusta Museum of Art

Chaplain Larry Jesion

Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association

**Disabled American Veterans** 

Augusta Elks Lodge 205 Veterans of Foreign Wars Evans, Georgia Post 12190

First Baptist Church

Mackey House Music

**Project Lifting Spirits** 

Snack Cakes, Body Wash, and Razors

**BINGO** Prizes and Assistance

Sweets Treats, Cupcakes, and Razors

Crafting Class Outing

Craft Kits

**Church Services** 

BINGO and Candy

BINGO, Ice Cream Social, Candy, Toiletries, and Sock

Valentine's Day Sub Sandwich Party

Birthday Party, Blankets, Cupcakes, and Holiday Cards

Sunday Church Services

Live Music

AR Workshop Craft Outing and Mi Rancho Lunch

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Therapy Dogs

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Therapy Dog Visit

Evergreen Dreams Floral Studio Marcy & Lena

Floral Arrangements

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

SUSAN SASSER

### Pinnacle Honorable Mentions February 2024

4th Floor Staff Debra Fields Amy Green Meredith Hawk

Linda Key Connie McGuire Occupational Therapy Physical Therapy Kay Roland Candace Schumann Mary Walker

# DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS



**AUGUSTA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL** 



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**PROJECT LIFTING SPIRITS** 



**M.A. JONES COURT** 



**KIMBERLY-CLARK SALUTE** 



**EVERGREEN DREAMS FLORAL STUDIO** 

# AR WORKSHOP OUTING

















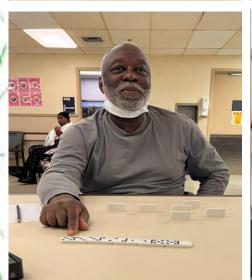
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# FUN AROUND THE GOOSE!















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### WARRIOR OF THE MONTH

March 2024 Warrior of the Month is.... Sam McFadden! Affectionally known as "Mack Attack" or just "Mack" by his friends and family, he is a smooth operator in the halls of Georgia War. Mr. Mack is a Georgia born native, even though he spent most of his formative years in Florida. He is the eldest of 9 children and really led the way in academics graduating as Valedictorian of his high school. No college campus could hold down Mr. Mack's need for adventure as he embarked on a 21-year career in the Army. Being the fun and



flirtatious fella that he is, it comes as no surprise that he specialized in communications. There were a few minor things he would have liked to have done differently in hindsight, but I think we all feel that way sometimes. Although he is a man of few words nowadays, that does not stop Mr. Mack from getting his point across. His quick wit and sly smile continue to win friends and influence people, even if Mr. Mack is too cool to admit it.

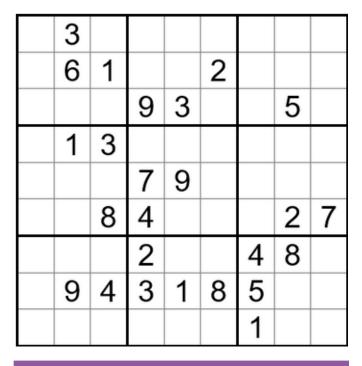
Mr. Mack is very proud of his two sons, Derrick and the late Sam Jr. To have Mr. Mack tell it, they are the life of the party just as he was back in his prime. Fun-loving and jovial Mr. Mack is a great addition to our Warrior of the Month Hall of fame.



Heather Nichols Director of Activities

# SUDOKU PUZZLES

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 24



#### PUZZLE ONE EASY

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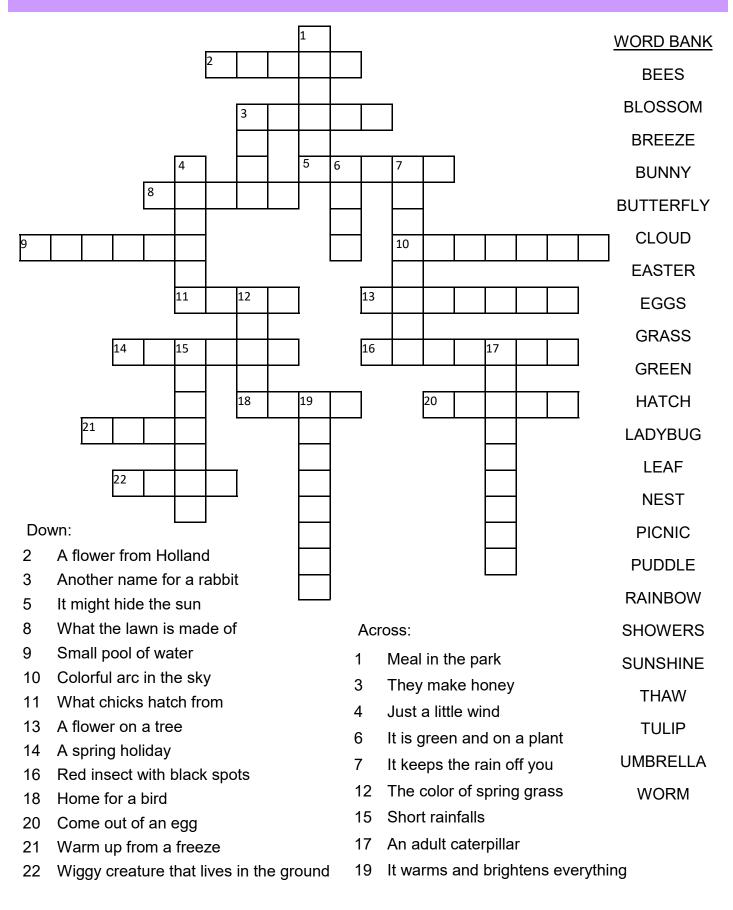
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# CROSSWORD PUZZLE

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 25



### WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 26

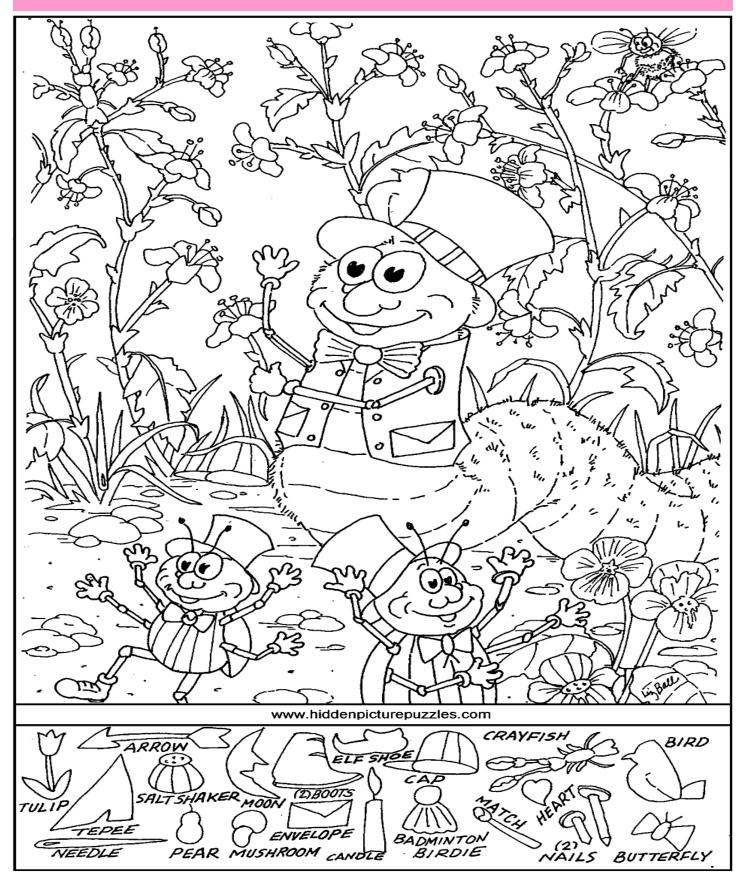


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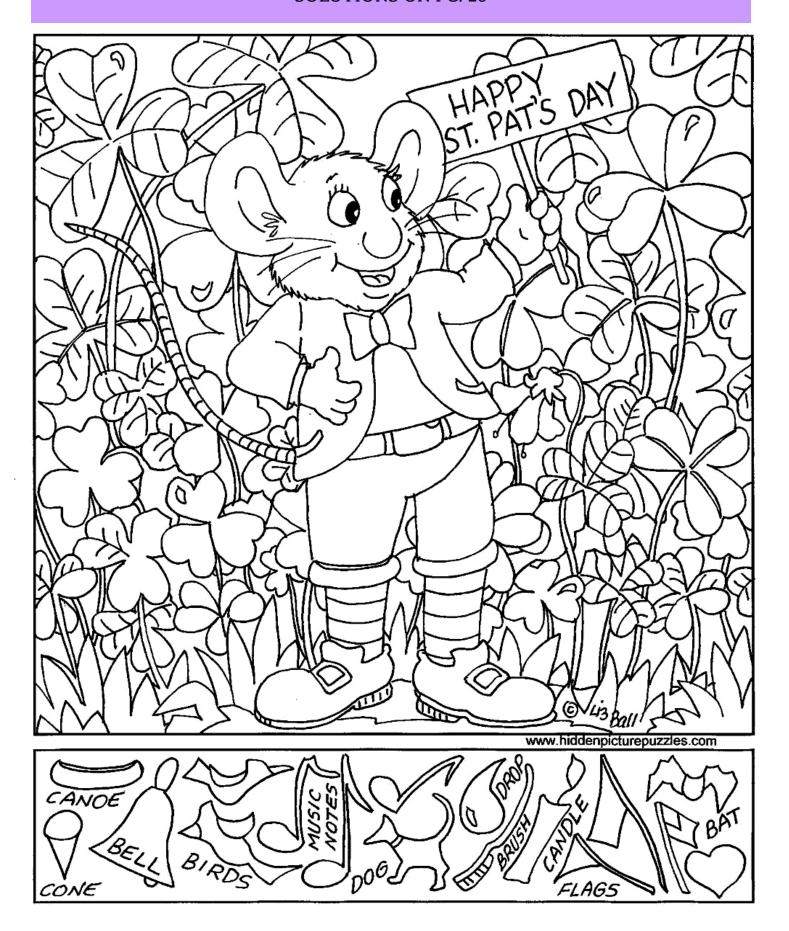
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# HIDDEN IMAGES SOLUTIONS

SOLUTIONS ON PG. 27



### HIDDEN IMAGES SOLUTIONS ON PG. 28



# COLORING PAGE



# SCAVENGER HUNT

# **USE YOUR EYES TO EARN A PRIZE!**

The (5) items below are hidden throughout our March Vet Com! The first five readers to find them and call/write into the <u>Business Office</u> will win a prize! Good luck!





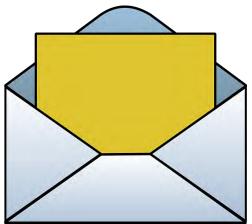




To submit answers via phone

To submit answers via mail send the

#### **Business Office a letter**



Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home ATTN: Business Services 1101 15th Street Augusta, GA 30901



Call the Business Office at (706) 721-2386

# HIDDEN NAME CONTEST



### Congratulations!

February 2024 Hidden Name

#### **Contest Winners**





**Coleman Wingate** 

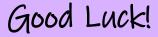


**Oops!** Our staff winner did not find their name!

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.





# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

#### Willing to Trust

#### Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Proverbs 3:5-6

This is probably one of my favorite scriptures in the Bible. When my time on this earth is over, I want this to be on my headstone. Death is something that some people, me included, don't even want to consider, but I've come to realize that whether you think about it or not, it will ultimately come up in your life. Which scripture stands out to you the most and demands your attention? Please share it with me if you like.

One of the reasons I enjoy this scripture is because it reminds me of whom I need to put my trust, my confidence, my security and my total reliance in. I cannot even rely on myself because I let myself down so many times. If I were a gambling man, I believe I could put my fortune on the line and say that all of us, at some point, have disappointed ourselves and not followed through on something we said. Consider this: how many of you have not done what you said you would do, even when you knew it was for your best interest and improvement? We all need to rely on something greater than ourselves because of this. I can think of two illustrations when I think about trust. Regardless of our size, most of us plop ourselves onto a chair without ensuring it will hold us up and not collapse. Without hesitation, we believe it will support us. We can talk all day about how much we trust the chair to hold and support us, but until we put all our weight on it, we are simply talking, not genuinely trusting.

Most of the time, when my wife and I are traveling by car, I am willing to drive and can complete that responsibility without any issues. However, there have been moments when I become weary and a little tired and need to relinquish the driver's seat for us to proceed safely. When we stop for a snack and bathroom break, I need to decide if I can trust my bride to get us where we need to go safely. A transfer of power and authority is necessary for trust. I had to offer my bride the driver's seat and give her control of the car to show her that I trusted her to drive us. To genuinely trust God, we must recognize Him as trustworthy and then surrender control of our lives to Him.

There was another choice in front of me when the love of my life took the wheel and returned to the highway toward home: Would I trust her enough to take a nap? No one enjoys having someone sitting in the passenger's seat and offering unprompted (and probably unwanted) driving advice that would not have demonstrated that I trusted her "with all my heart" to drive us. Solomon advised his son always to have complete confidence in God, to believe that God is all-knowing, all-powerful, and loves us (His creation) immensely.

Think of this as another level of trust that leads to a life of following Him, finding value and direction through His Word, and choosing to honor God in all you do. My wife did an excellent job driving us home, and I was able to take a nap. We serve a God who is indeed trustworthy and able to lead us down the path of experiencing His blessings and being a blessing to others.

> Your Chaplain, Timothy E. Lark

### CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



We would like to thank the following individuals for their donations in memory of Charles Waller:

> Nancy L. Carr and Stephanie C. Woodward Elizabeth Roth and Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Wirth Mark and Kathy Blackburn Mark Rucker Jebbiden P. Small Beth Turner



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

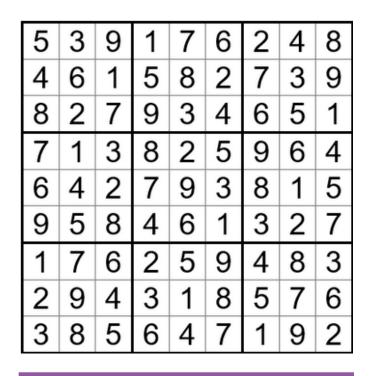
Staff

### Residents

GEORGE HORNE	MAR 29		
STEVE NEUHAUS	MAR 27	ANDREW BLOUNT	MAR 31
DANNY JONES	MAR 26	ANTOINETTE WALKER	MAR 29
GEORGE OGLES	MAR 26	WILLA BRYANT	MAR 24
PATRICK BARNEY	MAR 18	ARIANA USHER	MAR 24
DEFORE HOLMES	MAR 15	FAITH POWELL	MAR 19
LARRY RATLIFF	MAR 14	SANTWANIA BASKETT	MAR 15
MIKE ROBINSON	MAR 13	MICHAEL THOMAS	MAR 11
LESTER FLAHERTY	MAR 11	GABRIEL ANTHONY	MAR 10
RANDALL WEBB	MAR 08	STEPHANIE WRIGHT	MAR 08
WELBORN SPENCER	MAR 08	ILINDA CARTER	MAR 03
HARRY WILLIAMS	MAR 03	KATHERINE BRAXTON	MAR 02



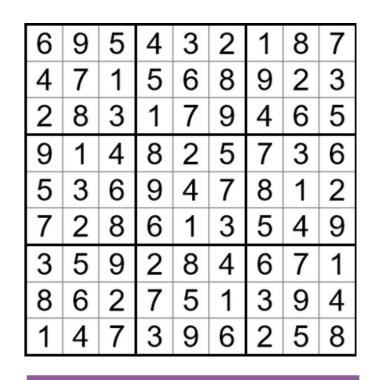
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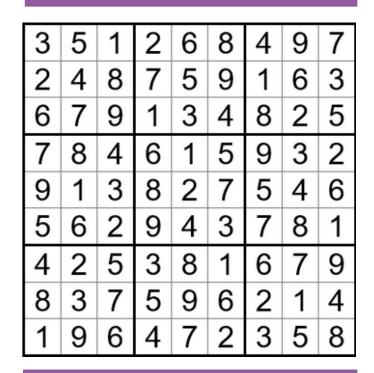
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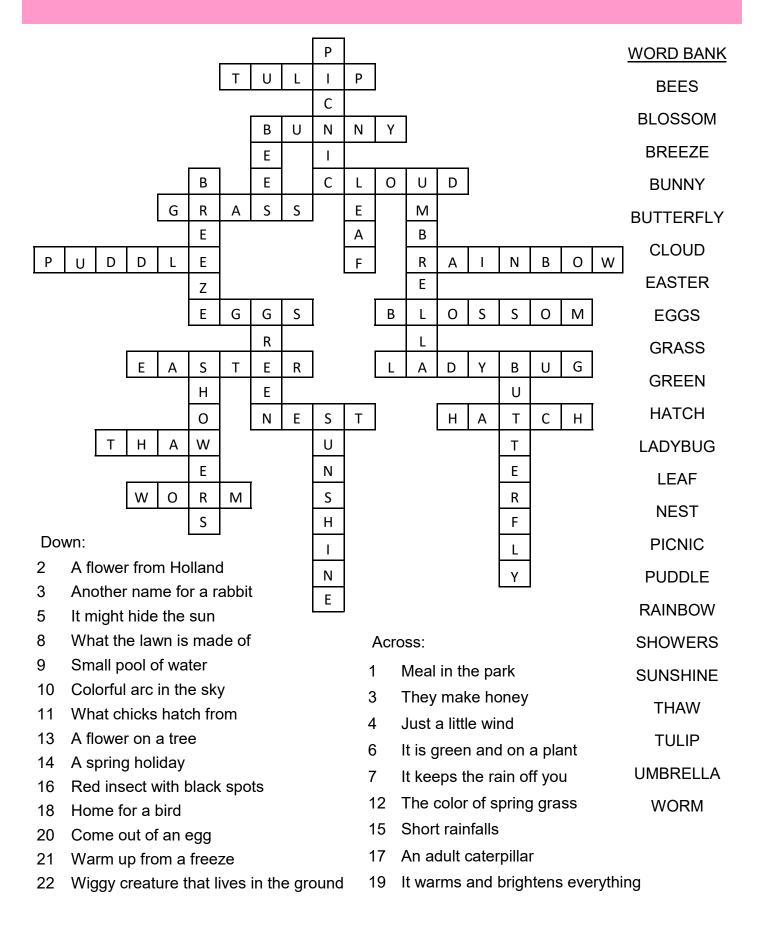


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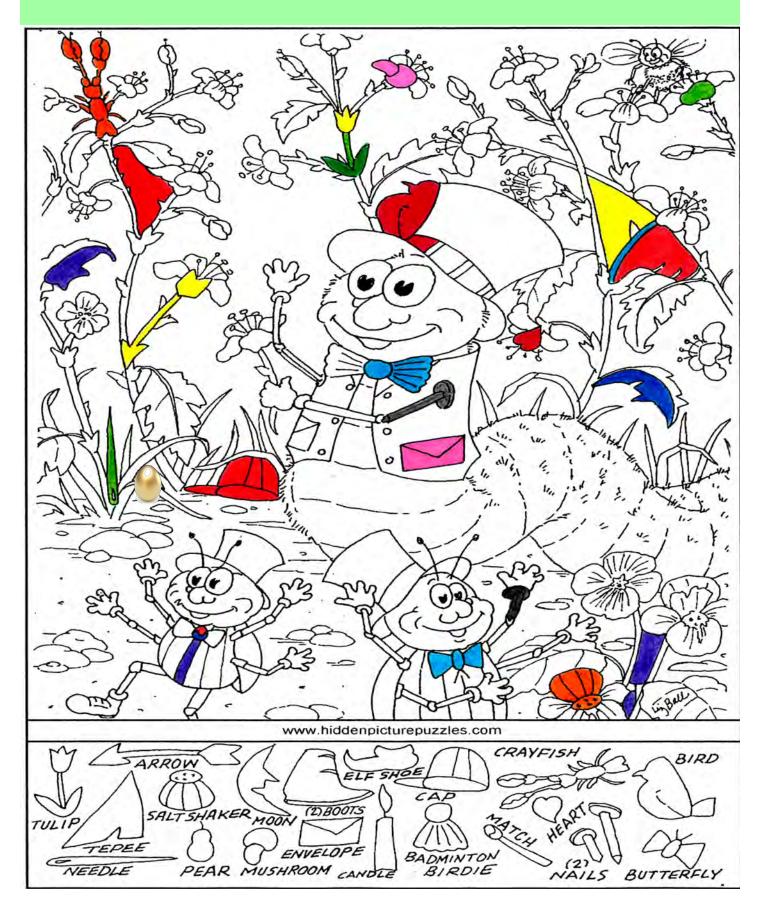


### WORD SEARCH PUZZLE SOLUTIONS



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# THANK YOU



To all of our Veterans, families, friends, staff, faculty, and contributors.



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