

The Messenger

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and Reaching Out in Christian Fellowship to the Surrounding Community



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Barnum Community United Methodist Church

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Office Hours (Mon-Fri)
9:00 am—1:00 pm
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Sunday Worship

Facebook Live 9:30 am
In Person 9:30 am



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Pastor Kendall's retirement party 1-4
2 9:30 Worship Service 11:00 Adult Class Ron Mossberg	3 5-8:00 Youth Group	4 11:00 Prayer Group	5 5-8:00 Youth Group BARNUM SPRING FEVER DAYS	6 BARNUM SPRING FEVER DAYS	7 BARNUM SPRING FEVER DAYS	8 Pancake Breakfast BARNUM SPRING FEVER DAYS
9 FLAG DAY 9:30 Worship Service Craig Johnson Communion- Table Sunday 11:00 Adult Class Craig Johnson	10 5-8:00 Youth Group 6:30 Council Mtg	11 11:00 Prayer Group	12 5-8:00 Youth Group	13	14	15
16 FATHER'S DAY 9:30 Worship Service 11:00 Adult Class Mary Alice Carlson	17 5-8:00 Youth Group	18 11:00 Prayer Group SUMMER BEGINS	19 10:00 Warm Hearts 5-8:00 Youth Group	20	21	22
23 9:30 Worship Service Craig Johnson 11:00 Adult Class	24 5-8:00 Youth Group	25 11:00 Prayer Group	26 5-8:00 Youth Group	27	2	29
30 9:30 Worship Service 11:00 Adult Class						

July

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 5-8:00 Youth Group	2 11:00 Prayer Group	3 5-8:00 Youth Group	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY OFFICE CLOSED	5	6 1-4 Phil Swensson 100 th Birthday Open House
7 9:30 Worship Service 11:00 Adult Class Lee Kantonen starting	8 5:30 Finance Mtg 6:30 Council Mtg 5-8:00 Youth Group	9 11:00 Prayer Group	10 5-8:00 Youth Group	11	12	13
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Daily Nourishment



OLD & NEW TESTAMENT

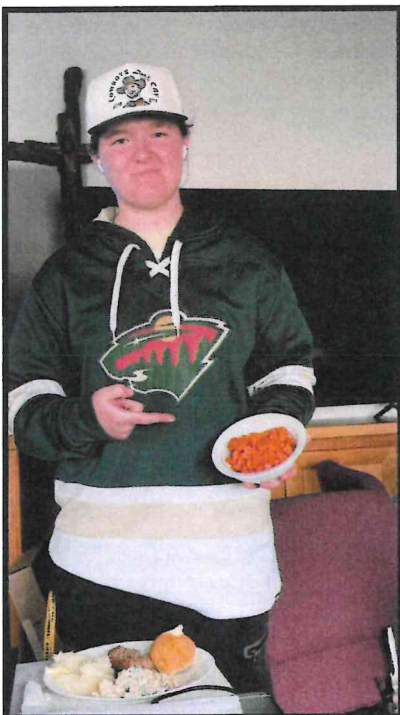
Jun 1: [2Chron 15-16; John 12:27-50](#)
Jun 2: [2Chron 17-18; John 13:1-20](#)
Jun 3: [2Chron 19-20; John 13:21-38](#)
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Jun 6: [2Chron 25-27; John 16](#)
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Jun 9: [2Chron 32-33; John 18:19-40](#)
Jun 10: [2Chron 34-36; John 19:1-22](#)
Jun 11: [Ezra 1-2; John 19:23-42](#)
Jun 12: [Ezra 3-5; John 20](#)
Jun 13: [Ezra 6-8; John 21](#)
Jun 14: [Ezra 9-10; Acts 1](#)
Jun 15: [Nehemiah 1-3; Acts 2:1-21](#)
Jun 16: [Nehemiah 4-6; Acts 2:22-47](#)
Jun 17: [Nehemiah 7-9; Acts 3](#)
Jun 18: [Nehemiah 10-11; Acts 4:1-22](#)
Jun 19: [Nehemiah 12-13; Acts 4:23-37](#)
Jun 20: [Esther 1-2; Acts 5:1-21](#)
Jun 21: [Esther 3-5; Acts 5:22-42](#)
Jun 22: [Esther 6-8; Acts 6](#)
Jun 23: [Esther 9-10; Acts 7:1-21](#)
Jun 24: [Job 1-2; Acts 7:22-43](#)
Jun 25: [Job 3-4; Acts 7:44-60](#)
Jun 26: [Job 5-7; Acts 8:1-25](#)
Jun 27: [Job 8-10; Acts 8:26-40](#)
Jun 28: [Job 11-13; Acts 9:1-21](#)
Jun 29: [Job 14-16; Acts 9:22-43](#)
Jun 30: [Job 17-19; Acts 10:1-23](#)

CHRONOLOGICAL

Jun 1: [Ps 119:89-176](#)
Jun 2: [Solomon](#)
Jun 3: [Prov 1-3](#)
Jun 4: [Prov 4-6](#)
Jun 5: [Prov 7-9](#)
Jun 6: [Prov 10-12](#)
Jun 7: [Prov 13-15](#)
Jun 8: [Prov 16-18](#)
Jun 9: [Prov 19-21](#)
Jun 10: [Prov 22-24](#)
Jun 11: [1King 5-6; 2Chron 2-3](#)
Jun 12: [1King 7; 2Chron 4](#)
Jun 13: [1King 8; 2Chron 5](#)
Jun 14: [2Chron 6-7; Ps 136](#)
Jun 15: [Ps 134/146-150](#)
Jun 16: [1King 9; 2Chron 8](#)
Jun 17: [Prov 25-26](#)
Jun 18: [Prov 27-29](#)
Jun 19: [Ecc 1-6](#)
Jun 20: [Ecc 7-12](#)
Jun 21: [1King 10-11; 2Chron 9](#)
Jun 22: [Prov 30-31](#)
Jun 23: [1King 12-14](#)
Jun 24: [2Chron 10-12](#)
Jun 25: [1King 15:1-24; 2Chron 13-16](#)
Jun 26: [1King 15:25-16:34; 2Chron 17](#)
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Jun 28: [1King 20-21](#)
Jun 29: [1King 22; 2Chron 18](#)
Jun 30: [2Chron 19-23](#)



The school year is done. Graduates have walked. Students have entered their favorite time of year, SUMMER! For students, life goes from being overly scheduled and structured to a seemingly empty void of time. Some get jobs, some watch their siblings, some visit family for the summer and some have nothing to do. Our goal is to give students a variety of fun activities and to continue the learning they have experienced during the year. Back in April students started asking me, "Bill, are we doing anything over the summer." The answer is a resounding YES! Our summer regular schedule involves our Monday Hangout from 5-8 and Youth Group on Wednesday from 5-8. Over my years of ministry, I have found that summer is an amazing time for friendships to develop and students to grow in their faith. Many students are heading to camp this summer. We also have multiple online avenues for students to participate in safe environments using technology. Please join me in praying for these life changing experiences.



The Barnum Youth Group will be helping run the Kid's Carnival during Spring Fever Days. Right after the parade students will be leading younger kids through fun activities and challenges. Please pray for good weather and cheerful serving!

A closing note, it is exciting to think about how 9 different graduates were involved at the Barnum Community Church this year. Some came to church, some attended youth group and stopped in for the Wednesday Meals. Which students were very sad to learn are over for the summer. PB&J just isn't the same. A huge thank you to all those who served.



Wednesday Bible Buddies

For four-year-olds through sixth grade



The Bible Buddies group had an exciting year in 2023-24. Our theme was that as followers of Jesus, we need to be "fishers of men," as directed by Matthew 4:19.

As part of our studies, we looked into parts of both the New and Old Testaments. We learned about various parables Jesus taught, including the Good Samaritan, the Prodigal Son, the Rich Man and Lazarus, the Good Shepherd, the Two Debtors, and the Ten Maidens. In understanding the meaning of these parables, some of the children were involved in skits in which they acted out some of the characters.

We also learned about how God used certain Old Testament Bible heroes such as Moses, Joshua, Gideon, Samson, David, Daniel, and Jonah to further His will when they obeyed God's instructions. For example, we studied how God enabled Moses to lead His people out of Egypt, how He parted the Red Sea and the Jordan River, how He destroyed Jericho, and how He saved Daniel in the lion's den.

As the year concluded, we memorized the prayer Jesus taught His disciples (the Lord's Prayer) and studied its meaning for us.



With their weekly offerings, the Bible Buddies continued to support Scott and Elaine Bogenholm's *La Puerta Hermosa* mission in Guatemala. By the end of the year, the children had contributed over \$370 toward providing water filters and other needs of the families and their children in that area.

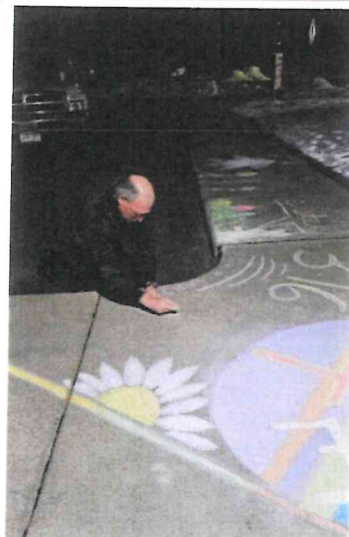
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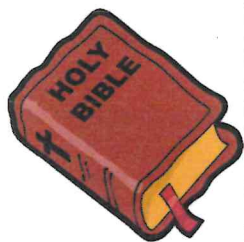
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Summer Concerts — 9:30 a.m.



Easter Sidewalk





All are invited to join the **Adult Sunday School** class following the worship service (all Sundays except Table Sunday). After getting in line for your coffee and morning treats, come down the hallway and join us in the large classroom on your left. We gather at 11:00 and engage in lively discussions of topical issues involving the Christian walk with a Biblical worldview.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: We will be putting out a updated church directory in the month of June. If you have any changes to your information, please contact the office.



WARM HEARTS: Warm Hearts Ministry is having a follow-up meeting on Wednesday, June 19th at 10:00 a.m. This will be held at Barnum Community Church. This will be a planning meeting and to schedule future sew days. Please join us. No skills required. Any questions, please call or text Kathy Port



June 2024 Health and Wellness Moment

“Alzheimer’s Disease”

I pray this finds you all doing well and enjoying the beautiful summer months in the Northland! June is Alzheimer’s Awareness Month. In honor of those who are living or have lived with this heartbreaking disease, I wanted to share a little information about alzheimer’s. This is a sensitive and scary topic to discuss, and I realize that. Sometimes reading about dementia makes people really question whether or not they are going through those symptoms. I don’t want that. Instead, my goal would be to increase knowledge and awareness in all of us, so we can be self-aware, and so we can be there for our loved ones who may not see these symptoms in themselves. God is always beside us!

Alzheimer’s is a type of dementia that affects memory, thinking, and behavior. Symptoms eventually become severe enough to interfere with daily tasks. Alzheimer’s disease accounts for 60-80% of dementia cases. Alzheimer’s is not a normal part of aging, although the greatest known risk factor is increasing age, and the majority of people with it are 65 and older. Alzheimer’s is considered to be younger-onset alzheimer’s if it affects a person under age 65. Younger-onset can also be referred to as early-onset. People with younger-onset alzheimer’s can be in the early, middle, or late stage of the disease.

Alzheimer’s is a progressive disease, where dementia symptoms gradually worsen over a number of years. In its early stages, memory loss is mild, but with late-stage alzheimer’s, individuals lose the ability to carry on a conversation and respond to their environment. On average, a person with alzheimer’s lives 4-8 years after diagnosis, but can live as long as 20 years, depending on other factors.

The most common early symptom of alzheimer’s is difficulty remembering newly learned information. Just like the rest of our bodies, our brains change as we age. Most of us eventually notice some slowed thinking and occasional problems with remembering certain things. However, serious memory loss, confusion, and other major changes in the way our minds work may be a sign that brain cells are failing. Alzheimer’s changes typically begin in the part of the brain that affects learning. As it advances through the brain it leads to increasingly severe symptoms, including disorientation, mood, and behavior changes, deepening confusion about events, time, and place, unfounded suspicions about family, friends, and caregivers, more serious memory loss and behavior changes, and difficulty speaking, swallowing, and walking.

People with memory loss or other possible signs of alzheimer’s may find it hard to recognize they have a problem. Signs of dementia may be more obvious to family members or friends. Anyone experiencing dementia-like symptoms should see their doctor as soon as possible. Earlier diagnosis and intervention methods are always improving, and treatment options and sources of support can improve quality of life, both for the patient and family members as well. It is important to note, however, that just because you may have some occasional trouble with your memory, that does NOT necessarily mean you have alzheimer’s. It is so important to be in regular communication with your medical provider regarding any health changes you are going through – both physically and cognitively! Alzheimer’s has no cure, but there are treatments out there that have been shown to slow down the progression of symptoms.

If you have questions about alzheimer’s, you can contact the Alzheimer’s Association – 24/7 Helpline: 800 272-3900, or online at alz.org. They are a trusted resource for reliable information, education, referral, and support to millions affected by this disease.

Reference: alz.org “What is Alzheimer’s Disease?”

May the Lord bless you all, and may He keep you safe in His loving embrace! Have a safe and adventure-filled June! Smell the flowers! “Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you.” 1 Peter 5:7

Prayers for peace, joy, and good health, and just a reminder...you are uniquely YOU by HIS design!
Ann S. RN BCUMC Parish Nurse

Just for Kids



LOOKING INTO THE SKY

As Jesus ascended into heaven, two angels had a message for his disciples.

Directions: Underline the word in each group that doesn't belong. Then write it on the line below to complete the angels' message in Acts 1:11, NIV.

1. strange
same
odd

2. Lazarus
Jesus
Martha

3. who
then
there

4. pear
been
apple

5. taken
cat
dog

6. sky
from
earth

7. you
work
toil

8. desk
chair
into

9. house
hallway
heaven

10. can't
will
won't

11. breakfast
come
lunch

12. nose
back
mouth

13. see
the
hear

14. oval
round
same

15. way
girl
boy

16. his
her
you

17. white
have
black

18. one
seen
two

19. go
low
high

20. sea
heaven
ocean

" This _____ 1 _____ 2 _____ , _____ 3 _____ has _____ 4 _____

_____ 5 _____ 6 _____ 7 _____ 8 _____ 9 _____ ,

_____ 10 _____ 11 _____ 12 _____ in _____ 13 _____

_____ 14 _____ 15 _____ 16 _____ 17 _____

_____ 18 _____ him _____ 19 _____ into _____ 20 _____ ."

Acts 1:11, NIV

ASCENSION CRAFT



Use this craft to remember where Jesus is now and the promise of his return.

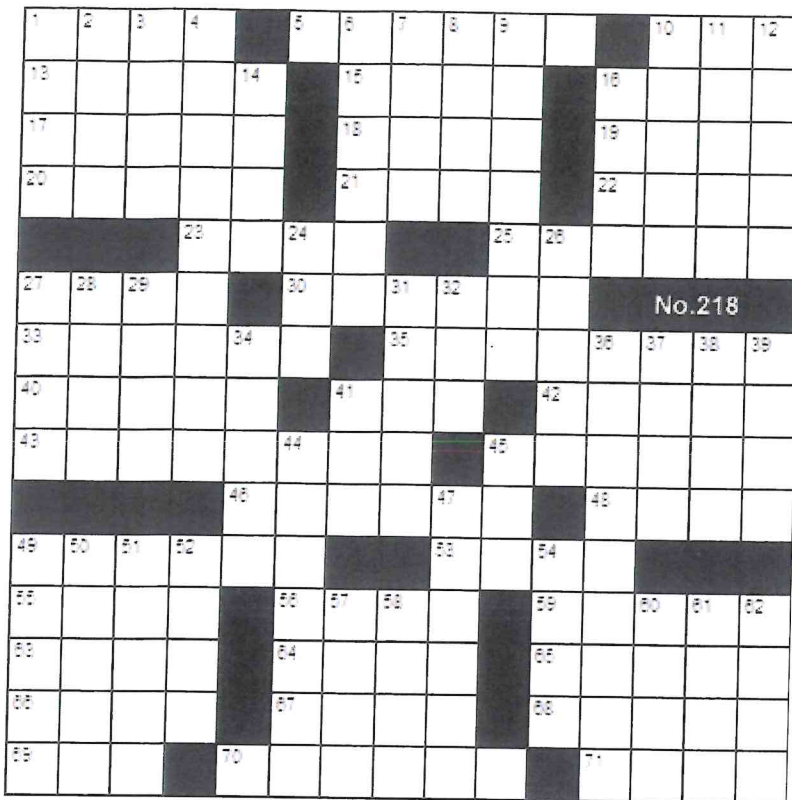
What you need:

- An adult to help
- 4 cotton balls
- Blue plastic cup
- Glue
- Scissors
- White paper
- Markers or crayons
- Fishing line (about 14")
- Paper clip

What you do:

1. Set the cup upside down. Pull apart the cotton balls, forming cloud shapes, and glue them around the cup.
2. With an adult's help, poke a hole in the bottom of the cup.
3. On the paper, draw and cut out a Jesus figure. Color both sides.
4. Poke a hole atop Jesus, string fishing line through the hole and tie a knot.
5. String the other end through the hole in the cup. Tie the end to a paper clip.
6. Pull up the paper clip to take Jesus into the clouds.

"This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." Acts 1:11, NIV



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ACROSS

- 1 David played one of these musical instruments (1 Sam.16:23)
- 5 At the blast of the trumpet he ____, 'Aha!' (Job 39:25)
- 10 in the month ____, which is the eighth month (1 Kings 6:38)
- 13 make yourself ____ of cypress wood (2,3) (Gen 6:14)
- 15 Take an ____ of manna and keep it for the generations to come (Ex 16:32)
- 16 The armies of heaven ____ following him, riding on white horses (Rev 19:14)
- 17 But he had no ____ with her until she gave birth (Matt.1:25)
- 18 the inscription that was written: MENE , ____, TEKEL, PARSIN (Dan 5:25)
- 19 we launched, meaning to sail by the coasts of ____ (Acts 27:2)
- 20 along with the flashing spear and ____ (Job 39:23)
- 21 Picnic pests (Prov 30:25)
- 22 The robbers beat the man and left him half ____ (Luke 10:30)
- 23 took unto them certain ____ fellows of (Acts 17:5) KJV
- 25 ten thousand captives, and all the craftsmen and ____ (2 Kings 24:14) KJV
- 27 Xerxes reigned from his royal throne in the citadel of ____ (Est 1:2)
- 30 the desert owl, the ____, the cormorant (Deut 14:17)
- 33 With ____ like that of chariots (1,5) (Joel 2:5)
- 35 You will be a ____ wanderer on the earth (Gen 4:12)
- 40 Cut down the tree and destroy it, but leave the ____ (Dan 4:23)
- 41 receive him not into your house, neither ____ him God speed (2 John 10) KJV
- 42 One of the minor prophets
- 43 the Egyptians and their chariots and ____ (Ex 14:26)
- 45 This is what the LORD, the God of ____ says (2 Sam 12:7)
- 46 Smite the ____ of the door, that the posts may shake (Amos 9:1) KJV
- 48 Chief or clan leader (Gen 36:15) KJV
- 49 ____, I will create new heavens and a new earth (Isa.65:17)
- 53 raised up Jesus, whom ye ____ and hanged on a tree (Acts 5:30) KJV
- 55 for he commandeth ____ the winds and water (Luke 8:25) KJV

- 56 after three years I ____ up to Jerusalem to see Peter (Gal 1:18)
- 59 Paul stayed for a year and ____, teaching them (1,4) (Acts 18:11)
- 63 that anointing is ____, not counterfeit (1 John 2:27)
- 64 The man who was healed had no ____ who it was (John 5:13)
- 65 descended to the top of Mount ____ and called Moses (Exod 19:20)
- 66 Do not ____ a violent man or choose any of his ways (Prov.3:31)
- 67 shake the dust off your ____ when you leave (Matt 10:14)
- 68 apostle of Jesus Christ for the faith of God's ____ (Titus 1:1)
- 69 Our forefathers ____ the manna in the desert (John 6:31)
- 70 Thou shalt not let thy cattle ____ with a diverse kind (Lev 19:19) KJV
- 71 female sheep (Gen 32:14)

DOWN

- 1 unable to ____ the net in because of the large number of fish (John 21:6)
- 2 a prophetess, ____, the daughter of Phanuel (Luke 2:36)
- 3 And the ____ was upon the earth forty days and forty nights (Gen 7:12)
- 4 the feet of one who brings good news, who ____ peace (Nah 1:15)
- 6 you will live a long time in the land where you are ____ (Jer 35:7)
- 7 to seek an ____: He will cast lots with arrows (Ezek 21:21)
- 8 Joshua ____ his clothes, and fell to the earth (Joshua 7:6)
- 9 like royal tapestry; the king is held captive by its ____ (Song 7:5)
- 10 Fear and trembling have ____ me; horror has overwhelmed me (Ps 55:5)
- 11 first husband of Bathsheba (2 Sam.11:3)
- 12 seems right to a man, but in the end it ____ to death (Prov 16:25)
- 14 at the name of Jesus every ____ should bow (Phil 2:10)
- 16 from the ____ of Egypt to the Euphrates River (2 Kings 24:7)
- 24 ____ to them! They have taken the way of Cain (Jude 11)
- 26 to devote themselves to ____ and endless genealogies (1 Tim 1:4)
- 27 down to his feet and with a golden ____ around his chest (Rev.1:13)
- 28 He came ____ his own, and his own received him not (John 1:11)
- 29 The fathers eat ____ grapes, and the children's teeth are set on (Ezek 18:2)
- 31 Except I shall see in his hands the ____ of the nails (John 20:25) (KJV)
- 32 wonders and signs in the land of Egypt, and in the ____ sea (Acts 7:36)
- 34 By your magic ____ all the nations were led astray (Rev 18:23)
- 36 Seek the ____ he may be found (4,5) (Isa 55:6)
- 37 son of Isaac and brother of Jacob (Gen 25:26)
- 38 Ask, and it shall be given you; ____, and ye shall find (Matt 7:7)
- 39 sold your people for a pittance, gaining nothing from their ____ (Ps 44:12)
- 41 youngest son of Jacob (nickname) (Gen.35:18)
- 44 A woman skilled in aiding the delivery of babies (Gen 38:28)
- 45 I, Daniel, was exhausted and lay ____ for several days (Dan 8:27)
- 47 an ____ nearby that belonged to Publius, the chief official (Acts 28:7)
- 49 the brothers sent Paul and Silas away to ____ (Acts 17:10)
- 50 there is one ____ to the righteous, and to the wicked (Eccles 9:2)
- 51 your tithes, and ____ offerings of your hand (Deut 12:6)
- 52 We have here ____ five loaves of bread and two fish (Matt 14:17)
- 54 will live in safety and be at ____, without fear of harm (Prov 1:33)
- 57 garden of God (Ezek 28:13)
- 58 The LORD will fight for you; you ____ only to be still (Ex 14:14)
- 60 until that day when I drink it ____ in the kingdom of God (Mark 14:25)
- 61 unto the rings of the ephod with a ____ of blue (Ex 28:28) KJV
- 62 discord, jealousy, ____ of rage, selfish ambition (Gal 5:20)

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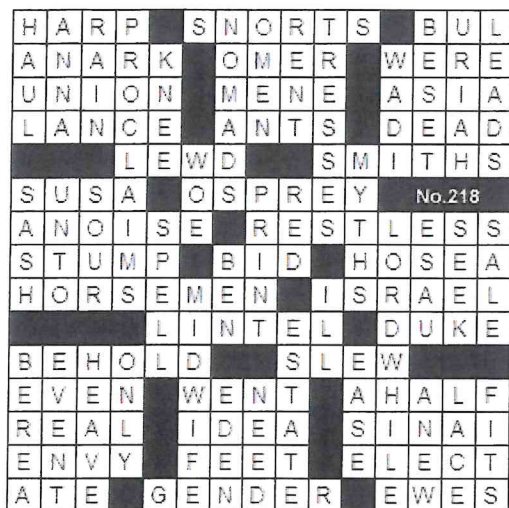
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Barnum Spring Fever Days Pancake Breakfast

Saturday June 8th
7:00am - 10:30am

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