

July 2022

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Celebrating July

World Watercolor Month

Parks & Recreation Month

Canada Day

July 1

Tour de France Begins

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Independence Day (U.S.)

July 4

Ventriloquism Week

July 13–16

Bastille Day: France

July 14

Ice Cream Day

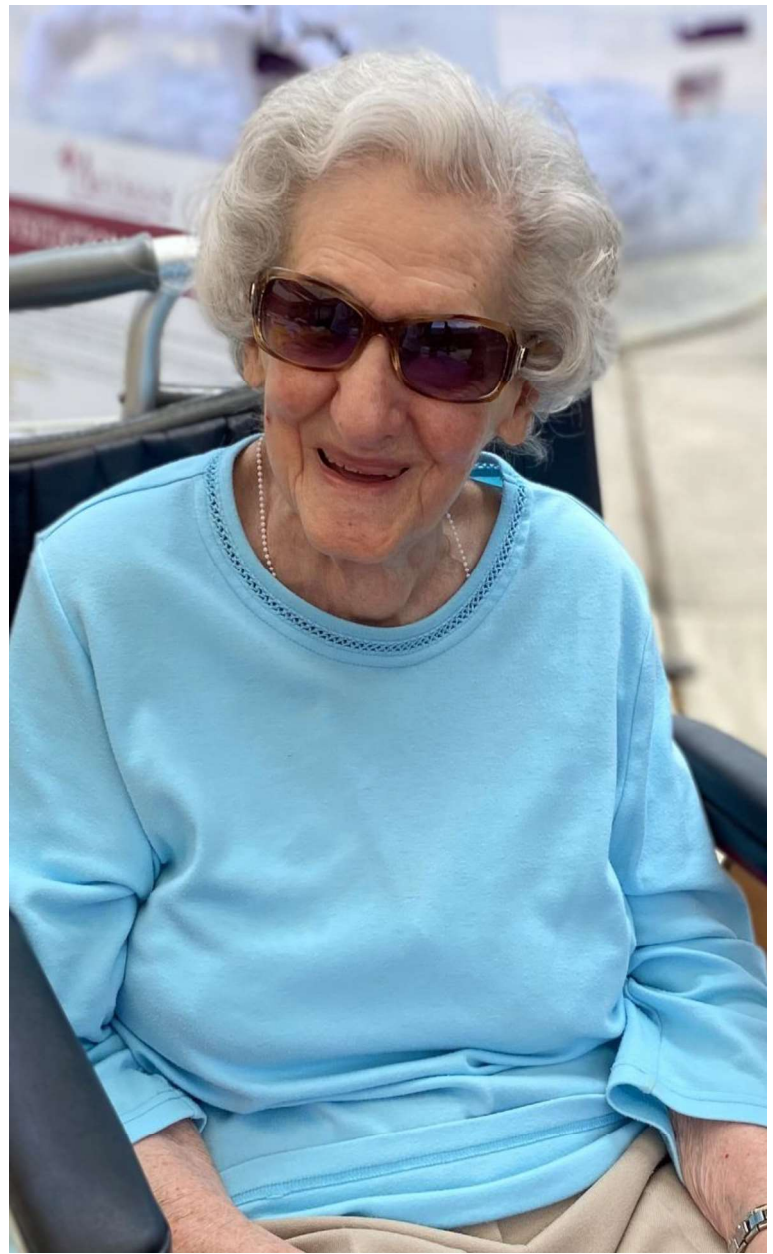
July 17

Hemingway Lookalike Days

July 21–23

Day of the Cowboy

July 23



CATHRYN GAETA BREAKING OUT HER SHADES
TO CATCH SOME SUN DURING TIE DYING

TIE DYE DAY WAS A BIG SUCCESS





Birthstone – Ruby



July's birthstone, the ruby, is one of the rarest gems in the world. Rubies come in various shades of red, but those mined in Burma are the most expensive gem per carat in the world. Because of their superior crimson color, Burmese rubies are called "pigeon's blood." In many Asian countries, the gems were laid beneath new buildings to bring good fortune. The stone is said to guard against attacks and attract friends. It is a symbol for devotion and is a traditional gift for those celebrating 15th or 40th anniversaries.

Flower – Larkspur



The larkspur, also known as *delphinium*, is a lovely, tall plant with multiple flowers blooming from a single stalk. Its flowers range in color from deep purples to light pinks. The flower spikes can reach three to six feet tall. Larkspur blooms from early spring through late summer and attracts hummingbirds and bees. The name *delphinium*, Greek for *dolphin*, is due to the bottlenose shape of the petals. In Victorian times, the flower was a symbol of light-heartedness, fun, and happiness.



Just Clowning Around

Legendary showman P. T. Barnum was born July 5, 1810. The iconic entertainer was a master of the hilarious hoax and cofounder of the Barnum & Bailey Circus. "The Greatest Show on Earth" toured from 1871 to 2017.



July Zodiacs

Cancer (The Crab)
July 1–22

Leo (The Lion)
July 23–31

Take a Bough

July 1–6: Apple

Those who fell from the apple tree are sweet, flirtatious, and have a lot of charm. Thus, they tend to be popular and have lots of friends. They usually fall in love easily. They have a carefree personality and always live for today.

July 7–14: Fir

People who have fallen from the fir tree are mysterious, intellectual, and sophisticated. These people have extraordinary taste and are also ambitious and talented. They have lots of clever ideas and tend to be quite social.

July 15–25: Elm

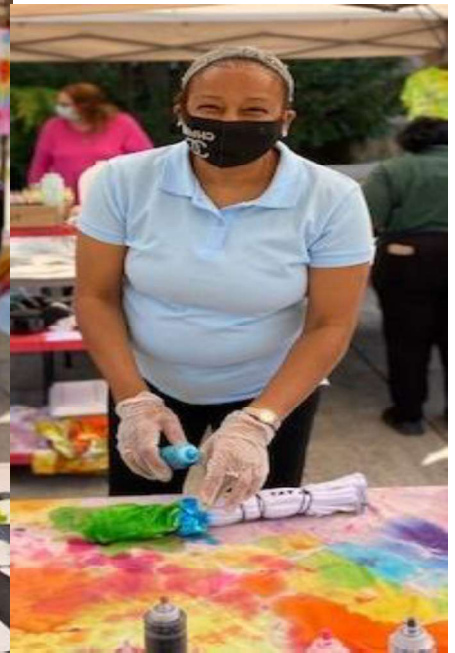
Those who come from the elm tree are very cheerful, studious, and noble-minded. They are not easily led, but they make great leaders and care about the feelings of others. Due to their great sense of humor, they tend to be practical jokers.

July 26–31: Cypress

People who fell from the cypress tree are very faithful and kind-hearted. They are also very adaptable, passionate, and optimistic. These folks are often content and take what life has to give them. Their grateful, loving spirit draws others to them.



TIE DYE ARTIST AT WORK



Searching for July

The words listed below can be found vertically, horizontally, diagonally, forward, and backward. Disregard spaces between words.



BASTILLE DAY

JULY

SEVENTH

CANADA DAY

LARKSPUR

SUMMER

CANCER

LEO

SUNSHINE

CRAB (Cancer)

LION (Leo)

TOUR DE FRANCE

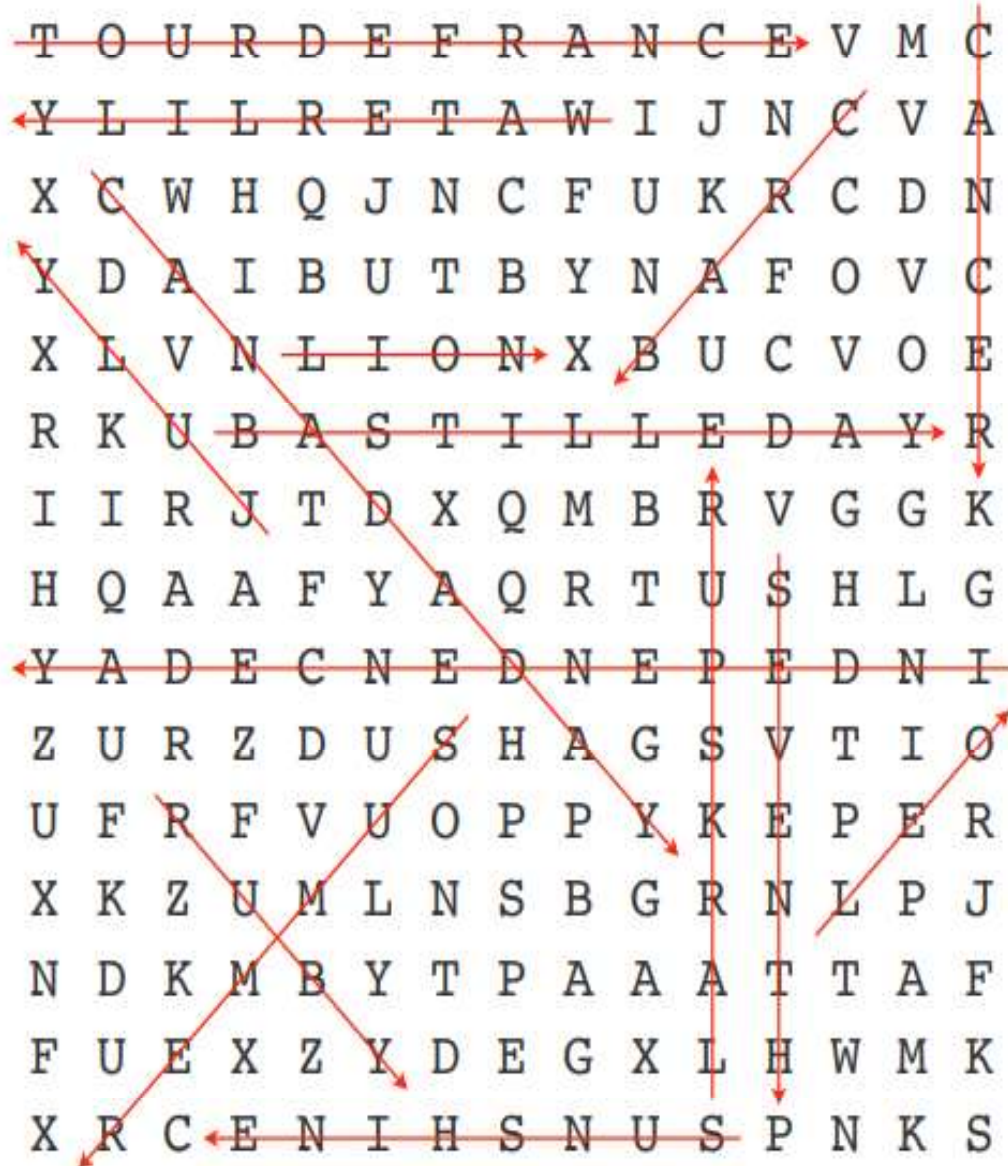
INDEPENDENCE DAY

RUBY

WATER LILY

Searching for July

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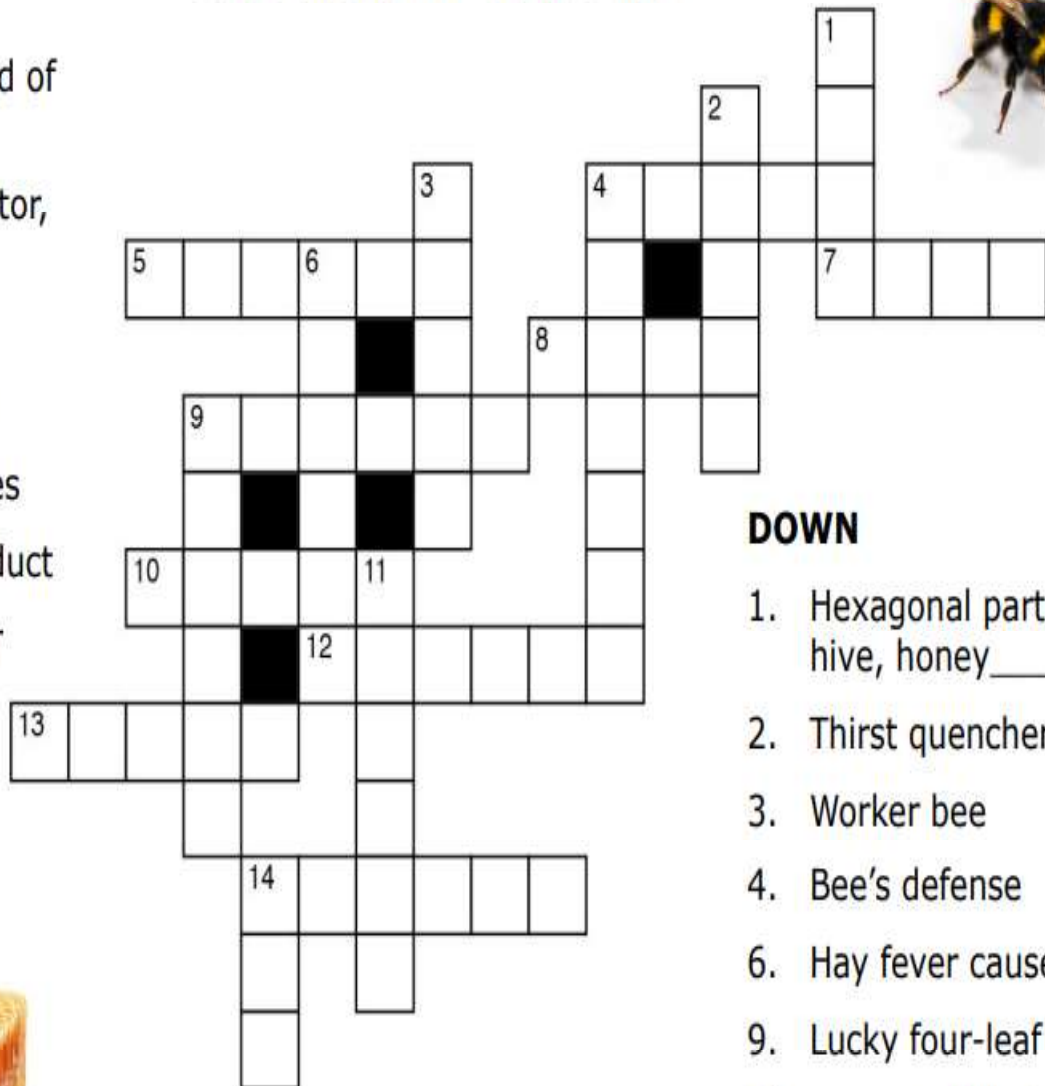


Bumblebee

Use the clues to fill in the crossword.

ACROSS

4. Buzzing cloud of bees
5. Honey collector, bee _____
7. Bee sound
8. Bee's home
9. Group of bees
10. Beehive product
12. Sweet flower liquid
13. Hive V.I.P
14. Blossom

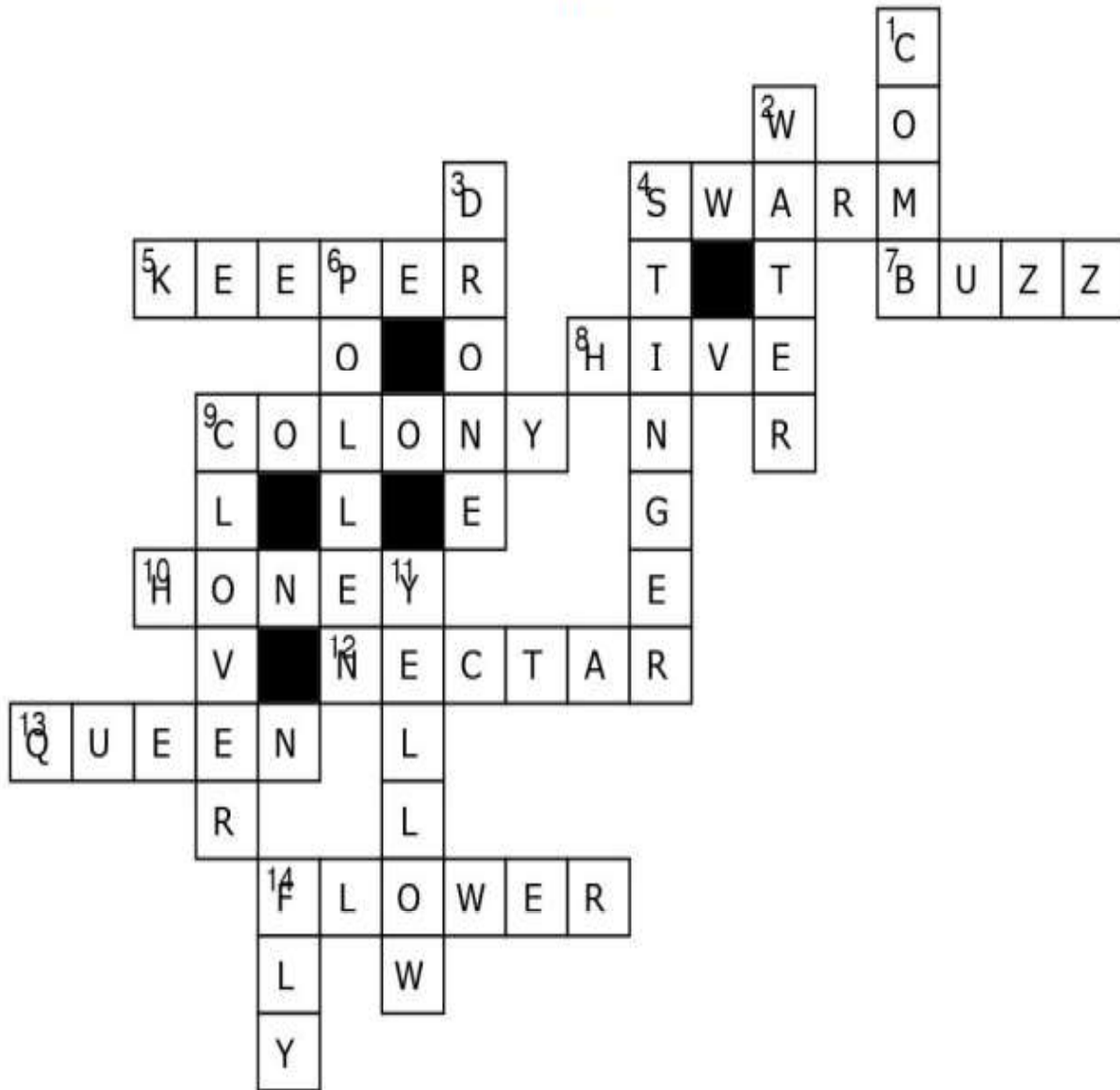


DOWN

1. Hexagonal part of a hive, honey _____
2. Thirst quencher
3. Worker bee
4. Bee's defense
6. Hay fever cause
9. Lucky four-leaf plant
11. _____ and black
14. Take wing

Bumblebee

(solution)



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