

Tuesday, June 23rd - Coping with Covid - Morning

Laugh it off: A forgetful old gasman named Dieter, went poking around his gas heater. Touched a leak with his light, blew out of sight – and as everyone who knows anything about poetry can tell; he also ruined his meter.

God's Comfort: Prov 30:29-33 “There are three things that are stately in their stride, four that move with stately bearing: 30 a lion, mighty among beasts, who retreats before nothing; 31 a strutting rooster, a he-goat, and a king secure against revolt. 32 “If you play the fool and exalt yourself, or if you plan evil, clap your hand over your mouth! 33 For as churning cream produces butter, and as twisting the nose produces blood, so stirring up anger produces strife.”

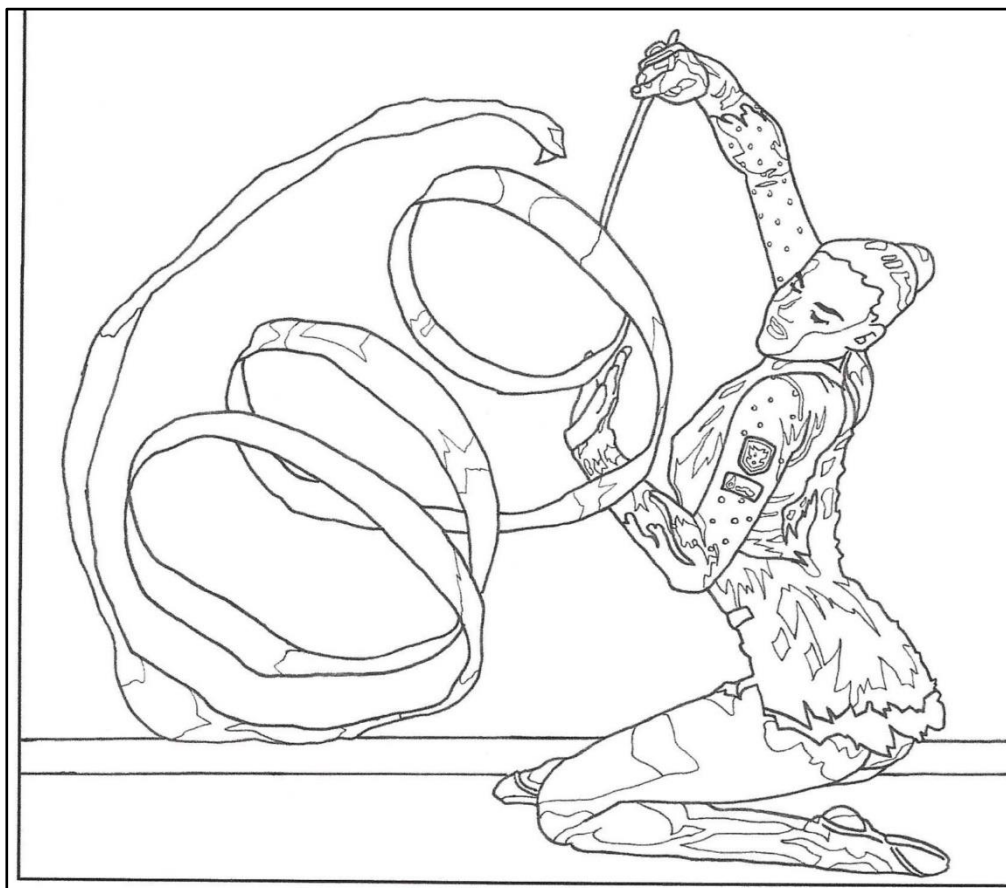
Psalm 5:8-12 Lead me, Lord, in your righteousness because of my enemies—make your way straight before me. 9 Not a word from their mouth can be trusted; their heart is filled with malice. Their throat is an open grave; with their tongues they tell lies. 10 Declare them guilty, O God! Let their intrigues be their downfall. Banish them for their many sins, for they have rebelled against you. 11 But let all who take refuge in you be glad; let them ever sing for joy. Spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may rejoice in you. 12 Surely, Lord, you bless the righteous; you surround them with your favor as with a shield.

Pray Daily – God is easy to talk to: O great and almighty God, thank you that you have given us the Savior, in whom we can become united and have peace on earth. May he work powerfully among us. May your Spirit come into people's hearts. May they all confess that Jesus Christ is the Lord, to the honor of God the Father. Bless us through your Word. Renew and strengthen us in faith and in patience. Praise to you for the promise you have given us of a wonderful new day of help for all. Amen.

National Day Today (June 23): Widow's Day, Let it Go Day, Columnists Day, Pecan Sandy Day, Pink Day, Pink Flamingo Day, Public Service Day, SAT Math Day, United Nations Public Service Day, USCG Auxiliary Birthday.

Coloring Page.

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Tuesday, June 23rd - Coping with Covid - Noon

Laugh it off: There was a period when our company's ownership was constantly changing hands, resulting in a new name for the business each time. After the latest regime and name change, I said, "We're going to need a new company sign out front." A colleague said, "We don't need a new sign; we need a blackboard."

God's Comfort: Matthew 19:13-19 13 Then people brought little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked them. 14 Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." 15 When he had placed his hands on them, he went on from there. 16 Just then a man came up to Jesus and asked, "Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?" 17 "Why do you ask me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life, keep the commandments." 18 "Which ones?" he inquired. Jesus replied, "'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, 19 honor your father and mother,' and 'love your neighbor as yourself.'"

Historical Perspective (June 23): 1868 - "Type-Writer" patented. 1904 - First U.S. motorboat race - Hudson River. 1911 - David Ogilvy born. 1912 - Alan Turing born – Broke Enigma Code. 1926 - First U.S. lip-reading tournament. 1929 - June Carter Cash born. 1940 - Wilma Rudolph born. 1941 - Lena Horne recorded "St. Louis Blues." 1948 - Clarence Thomas born. 1965 - The Supremes record "Love Is Like an Itching in My Heart." 1966 - Civil Rights marchers (MS) dispersed by tear gas. 2005 - Roger Ebert gets star - Hollywood Walk of Fame. 2013 - Aerialist Nik Wallenda - quarter mile tightrope walk over Little Colorado River Gorge. 2015 - NASA's Mars Odyssey - 60,000th orbit around Mars - entered orbit 10/23/2001.

Writing for Fun: - Use 100 words to start the story titles, "The Poisoned Pianist".

Sample Poisoned Pianist: Sergeant Eryk Nosek and Lieutenant "Bo" Beauregard, Cleveland Police Department, looked at the body on the hotel room floor. "Dead for sure," said Bo. "Rigor has set in." Next to the body lay a tumbler that had held scotch or . . . 'No trauma," said Nosek. He got down on all fours and sniffed near the man's mouth. "Almonds. That's cyanide isn't?" Bo nodded. The man's wallet was on the nightstand. Bo opened it and pulled out an ID. "Gregor Rastifizck." "Damn," shouted Nosek. "He was going to play in Severance Hall tonight. I paid \$200 bucks for tickets."

Your Poisoned Pianist:

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Tuesday, June 23rd - Coping with Covid - Supper

Laugh it off: Q: These office workers know exactly what we're thinking at work: • No one likes hearing "agree to disagree." Why don't we just say, "You're wrong, but I don't feel like fighting about it right now"? • Sorry, I don't listen to lectures on being organized from people with 60 icons on their laptop's desktop. • Answers to questions asked on the way to the bathroom are not legally binding. People will agree to anything in that situation.

God's Comfort: Genesis 16:7-12 7 The angel of the Lord found Hagar near a spring in the desert; it was the spring that is beside the road to Shur. 8 And he said, "Hagar, slave of Sarai, where have you come from, and where are you going?" "I'm running away from my mistress Sarai," she answered. 9 Then the angel of the Lord told her, "Go back to your mistress and submit to her." 10 The angel added, "I will increase your descendants so much that they will be too numerous to count." 11 The angel of the Lord also said to her: "You are now pregnant and you will give birth to a son. You shall name him Ishmael, for the Lord has heard of your misery. 12 He will be a wild donkey of a man; his hand will be against everyone and everyone's hand against him, and he will live in hostility toward all his brothers."

Quotes/Other Wisdom:

"A smile is the light in your window that tells others that there is a caring, sharing person inside." Denis Waitley

"They might not need me; but they might. I'll let my head be just in sight; a smile as small as mine might be precisely their necessity." - Emily Dickinson

Game- Word Search

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I think laughter may be a form of courage. As humans we sometimes stand tall and look into the sun and laugh, and I think we are never more brave than when we do that.

Linda Ellerbee