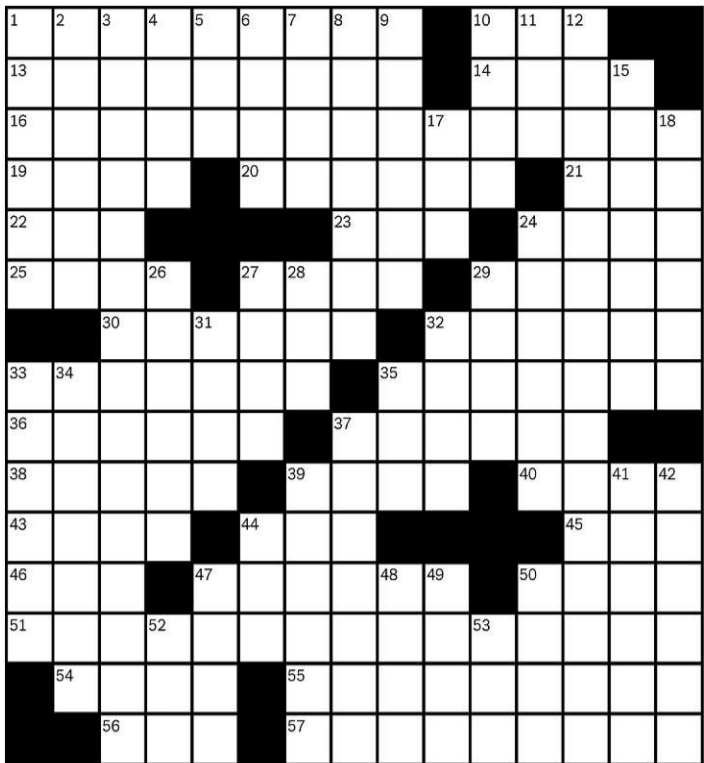


NEW YORK TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0410

- ACROSS**
- 1 Phrase said indignantly before a citation
 - 10 Place with flasks and alcohol
 - 13 Nested birds?
 - 14 "Atardecer," Bad Bunny song whose name means "Another Sunset"
 - 16 "Argh! What is happening?"
 - 19 Philosopher Descartes
 - 20 Worried
 - 21 French word in the middle of a name
 - 22 Annoy
 - 23 The flying fox is a type of one
 - 24 Site with a monument that gets around 7 million ticketed visitors a year
 - 25 Totally down (for)
 - 27 Topical application
 - 29 Like the glass in many a Dale Chihuly sculpture
 - 30 Win-win
 - 32 California's San _____ Island
 - 33 Drift off
 - 35 Beatles song with the lyric "I tried to telephone / They said you were not home / That's a lie"
 - 36 Privileged groups
 - 37 Hot spot
 - 38 Unacceptable
 - 39 Remove, as from a cluttered container, with "out"
 - 40 Title derived from the Persian for "king"
 - 43 Anora's husband in "Anora"
 - 44 Sat _____ (GPS, to Brits)
 - 45 History unit
 - 46 One that's hard to catch
 - 47 Church congresses
 - 50 Foe of Wonder Woman
 - 51 Cold shoulder, so to speak
 - 54 _____ bar
 - 55 Get used to it



Puzzle by Erica Hsiung Wojcik

5/15

- 56 Backup for a trapeze artist
 - 57 Popular antibiotic ointment
- DOWN**
- 1 Pop-punk band named after a video game company, with "The"
 - 2 Once, e.g.
 - 3 Fully appreciating something
 - 4 Wait for a passenger, perhaps
 - 5 Status _____
 - 6 Bay Area sch.
 - 7 "_____ From Muskogee" (Merle Haggard song)
 - 8 Within the realm of reason
 - 9 "Storage unit" of memory in the brain
 - 10 WNBA star Jewell _____
 - 11 C-store offering
 - 12 Comes in last
 - 15 Like the original Looney Tunes shorts, lengthwise
 - 17 Linked up with
 - 18 Like assassins and some sins
 - 24 Helical tools
 - 26 Actor Edward of "A Complete Unknown"
 - 27 Big cheese
 - 28 Nincompoop
 - 29 Awesome, slangy
 - 31 Key ingredient in Bridget's blue soup, in "Bridget Jones's Diary"
 - 32 Dance wildly, in a way
 - 33 Xnays
 - 34 "Yas queen!"
 - 35 Legend of Zelda console inits.
 - 37 Split decision?
 - 39 Chinese gambling game invented during the Northern and Southern dynasties
 - 38 _____
 - 39 _____
 - 40 _____
 - 41 _____
 - 42 _____
 - 43 _____
 - 44 _____
 - 45 _____
 - 46 _____
 - 47 _____
 - 48 _____
 - 49 _____
 - 50 _____
 - 51 _____
 - 52 _____
 - 53 _____
 - 54 _____
 - 55 _____
 - 56 _____
 - 57 _____

ANSWER TO THURSDAY'S PUZZLE:



CAROLYN HAX
Married woman is suddenly attracted to friend



BY CAROLYN HAX
tellme@washpost.com

Dear Carolyn: I (40-year-old woman) have been happily married for 15-plus years to a sweet, wonderful man. Husband is a genuinely excellent partner and a kind, funny, good person in general. I also have a long-standing male best friend, who is my close colleague at work and part of the same church. Our lives are intertwined, and we talk every day. Husband and Bestie's wife have been cool with our friendship. We frequently socialize as couples, Husband and Bestie play a sport together, we go to their kids' events, etc. Bestie has no other family and thinks of me as his adopted sister. The past 18 months have been very hard for me due to chaos at work and a health crisis. I have other supportive friends and family, but Husband and Bestie have been my daily rocks. During this time, I have suddenly become very physically attracted to Bestie. This has never been a thing before, and objectively I think it's just emotional flailing in response to stress. I feel tremendous guilt for even having these thoughts but am having trouble shaking them. I have obliquely

LEXIGO® 5-15

Start at the double hexagon. Spell solutions to the clues below by winding your way through the grid. You can backtrack to use letters more than once. Each new word starts with the last letter of the previous word.

- 1. Desert plants C _ _ _ _
- 2. Eye parts _ _ _ _ _
- 3. Piece of asparagus S _ _ _ _
- 4. Refuse to accept _ _ _ _ _
- 5. Church contributions T _ _ _ _

© 2026 WIGGLES 3D GAMES, DIST. BY ANDREWS MCMEEL SYNDICATION

acknowledged this to Husband, who gave me a hug and told me he trusts me to work through it. Bestie knows I've been a little weird recently but chalks it up to everything else. Both would be surprised and dismayed to know how I'm actually struggling. How do I shut this down without hurting these precious relationships? — Not as Evolved as I Thought

Not as Evolved as I Thought: Of course you're "actually" struggling. You didn't make these points out loud, but it's clear you love your husband and intend to remain faithful — so your body's big new ideas are unexpected, unwanted, inconvenient. Plus you're all awkward and weird with your best friend. Everything about this says "struggle." Except that it's also really normal — you know, to get a crush, even though you love your husband. Isn't "that" what "evolved" means? Animals who can choose how they act? By the definition you imply, falling for one guy friend kinda means your entire secular

religion collapses. But if you define it as entrusting friendships to your mind vs. your body, then you can still be an evolved person with a long-standing male best friend on whom you oops have a stupid crush. You can still honor your marriage, too, and love your husband. You don't even have to "shut it down," either. The feelings. If you can, then do, by all means. But your only job is not to act on them. That's it. Obviously, there is the chance it's bigger than a passing physical head rush, and you've fallen for Bestie. Given that you've been friends a long time without ever having more-than-friends feelings, though, and you don't want them now, and you're in a state of emotional upheaval for other reasons? It seems safe to treat the attraction as if it will burn off on its own. You don't have to feel guilty, you don't have to shame yourself, you don't have to try to drive the impure thoughts from your head. Instead, do be attentive to what feeds or starves the crush feelings, then avoid what feeds and choose "starve" at every opportunity.

New captain Furyk wants US to 'evolve' its Ryder Cup machine

BY ADAM ZIELONKA
Field Level Media

NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA. Jim Furyk spoke at length about his goals for the United States Ryder Cup team in his first large-scale press conference since being named the captain for 2027. Put simply, they can be grouped into two buckets. Short term: Win on foreign soil at Adare Manor. Long term: Build out the U.S. operation into a 12-months-a-year priority. "I like to say we need to create a blueprint," Furyk said Wednesday ahead of the PGA Championship at Aronimink Golf Club. "We need to create more continuity for our players and for our future captains. And we really need to start making the Ryder Cup more of a priority each and every year, year in and year out, and focus on growing and evolving into the future." Furyk dove into the details three weeks after being announced as the U.S. captain for the next matches in Ireland, and 32 weeks after Team Europe dealt the Americans a 15-13 defeat at Bethpage Black that was not as close as the scoreline implies. That was Furyk's fourth time serving as a vice captain for the U.S., in addition to his 2018 captaincy when Europe prevailed in Paris and his 2024 leadership of the U.S. Presidents Cup team that won in Montreal. "I love this generation" of players, Furyk said. "I've had the honor to be their captain, their vice captain now for the last few years. I see the heart, the grit. I just love these guys. "So when I look at my job, it's really to create a culture,

a chemistry amongst them and put them in positions where they can be really successful." That wealth of experience -- he also played 34 matches across nine Ryder Cups -- also helped Furyk begin to take notes in the wake of the Americans' second straight loss, following Rome in 2023. Furyk said he did not actively seek the job but hoped to be approached. New PGA of America CEO Terry Clark met with him the week before the Masters and Furyk accepted the job the following week. Team Europe has become known for a relentless focus on the Ryder Cup throughout each two-year cycle. Furyk, 56, nodded to many of the areas he believes the U.S. can and should catch up. "There's a lot of different things we can talk about that with I think we can grow and get better at -- our logistics, our travel, our schedule," Furyk said. "We can get into our pairings. It's no secret that foursomes has been a glaring problem. Our team play the last two Ryder Cups on Friday and Saturday, we've dug massive holes. But foursomes is the glaring problem." The United States trailed 11 1/2-4 1/2 after the two days of pairs competition last fall before a massive rally in Sunday singles fell just short. Europe has also become known for its utilization of analytics. While Furyk basked in the notion that analytics are "secondary" to the Americans, he admitted it's another area the U.S. team can evolve. "Like I said, we're going to leave no stone unturned, and that surely

from top to bottom includes analytics," he said. "I think where we failed or where we've struggled with analytics is probably relating to our players how they're used. I hate to hear someone say that, 'Wow, I feel like so much of it revolves around analytics.' I think it's a useful tool. I think the European side would say the same thing. But there's a lot of human element into that, and there's a lot of decisions the captains have to make to put these players in a good position. "So how we've applied them and, more importantly, how we've discussed that and how that communication has been with the players needs to get a lot better."

Furyk said he has not yet spoken with Tiger Woods about a role on the 2027 team, but he plans to after giving Woods some time and space. Woods is believed to be in a treatment program in Switzerland after his March arrest for suspected DUI. Furyk, who plans to visit Adare Manor for the first time in "about 10 days," also declared that the PGA of America could have put his predecessor, Keegan Bradley, in "a much better position" as he was appointed less than 16 months before the matches. Bradley had no previous experience

as a captain or vice captain. "Team USA is a professional sports organization," Furyk said. "We go from the Presidents Cup to the Ryder Cup each and every year, and what I started noticing is we were maybe losing a little continuity from year to year. So I just think we could be better at this as a 12-month process each and every year. It's not something that, the Ryder Cup is over, we decompress, we let it go for six months." Englishman Luke Donald will captain the European team for the third consecutive Ryder Cup.

Classified FIND. BUY. SELL.
classifieds.kentucky.com

SELL YOUR STUFF FAST!
859.231.3100

Legals

Legals & Public Notices

MASTER COMMISSIONER'S SALE

In order to comply with the orders of the Fayette Circuit Court, the Commissioner will sell the property described in the following action on **June 1, 2026**, at the hour of 12:00 noon in the ROBERT F. STEPHENS COURTHOUSES, FAYETTE CIRCUIT COURT BUILDING, 120 NORTH LIMESTONE, Lexington, Kentucky. A bailiff will direct you to the appropriate room. Said property shall be sold to raise the amounts hereinafter set forth, together with interest and the costs of the action, and upon the (unless otherwise indicated) following terms and conditions. (A) At the time of sale the successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. **In the event the successful bidder does not pay cash, the bidder will be required to post bond and furnish an acceptable surety thereon.** Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate the judgment bears from the date of sale until paid, and shall have the force and effect of a judgment. (B) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current fiscal tax year (i.e. the amount that will be due thru June 30, 2026) and all subsequent years. All other delinquent taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser within ten (10) days from the date of sale. (C) The property shall otherwise be sold free and clear of any right, title and interest of all parties to the action and of their liens and encumbrances thereon, excepting easements and restrictions of record in the Fayette County Court Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America or the defendant(s). **Master Commissioner Sales are "Buyer Beware" Sales. The Property is sold "As Is" "Where Is." The condition of the property, the merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose of any type or nature, is not warranted by the Court, by the Master Commissioner, or by the Plaintiff. If you bid on property, you should have done your due diligence before you bid, not after! ** FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THESE SALES AND OTHER UPCOMING SALES, AS WELL AS PAST SALES CAN BE FOUND AT **WWW.FAYCOM.INFO**. PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE ADVISED AND ENCOURAGED TO REFER TO THAT WEB SITE FOR ANSWERS TO THEIR QUESTIONS.

- 1- **1208 ROCKBRIDGE ROAD**, 25-CI-02108, Principal to be raised \$221,568.19. Parcel No. 20091950
- 2- **512 LIN WAL ROAD**, 25-CI-04249, Principal to be raised \$132,716.56. Parcel No. 15369650
- 4- **653 SAINT ANTHONY DRIVE**, 25-CI-03028, Principal to be raised \$76,737.36. Parcel No. 21126501
- 5- **1401 YOSEMITE CIRCLE**, 25-CI-01395, Principal to be raised \$297,356.57. Parcel No. 11887793

JAMES H. FRAZIER, III
MASTER COMMISSIONER

IPL0340643
May 15 2026

Legals & Public Notices

Notice of Public Meeting
The Kentucky Historic Preservation Review Board will consider **Epping Bottling Works, 264 Walton Avenue, Lexington, Kentucky, for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The Board will meet at 10:30 a.m. EST, June 26, 2026, at the Paul Sawyer Public Library, 319 Wapping Street, Frankfort, Kentucky. The meeting is open to the public. A copy of the nomination is available at the local library and at www.heritage.ky.gov by May 27. Written comments can be addressed to Craig Potts, SHPO, Kentucky Heritage Council, 410 High Street, Frankfort, KY 40601. IFL0340837 May 15 2026**

Animals

Dogs

Golden Doodles
2 female-\$800 ea., 2 male-\$600 each, 1st shots, vet check, wormed, (859) 640-3529.

Teacup Maltese puppies F M
MALTESE PUPPIES We hand raise our fur babies they come with 1st shots and worming 1yr warranty against any genetic defects they are pure bred great family pet just in time for a mother or father's day gift they are potty trained on pee pads HURRY WONT LAST call 859 267 8215 or 606 361 8094 ask for Tanya or Margie god bless

Auctions

Garage Sales

Dogwood Trace Neighborhood Garage Sale
Sat., May 16, 8a-2p, rain or shine

Garage Sales

RABBIT RUN NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALES!
Saturday, May 16, starting at 8 a.m. Bargains galore! Toys, housewares, clothing and more. Rabbit Run is off Harrodsburg Rd near Man O War Blvd in Lexington.

Service Directory

Home & Business Improvement

Mothers Restoration
We do all home repairs, additions, kitchen - basement remodels-handyman services available- insured, licensed 859-699-9949

LOOKING FOR THAT PERFECT THING?

Let Classifieds Help

HERALD-LEADER KENTUCKY.COM