



The Husky Howler

How Increased Gas Prices affect the U.S. Economy

Gas prices all throughout the United States have been rising, but most people do not know why this is happening. The first reason for the inflated gas prices, is the loosening of covid restrictions. More people are on the streets and out about which means more fuel is needed. This very quick rise in demand forced companies to raise their prices to keep up.

The second reason for the higher prices is the strong discipline of the OPEC. The nation’s agreement to limit exports has played a major role in how much gas and oil is getting to the people.



The next big reason and perhaps the most prominent among them is the recent election and the Biden/Harris administration raising the gas prices by almost 76 cents a gallon.

The last reason for this increase is the annual refinery maintenance period. Around the time of March and April most refineries tend to be taken offline for their maintenance, where they will change their blend from the winter to the summer blends required by the EPA. This changeover means less gas is being produced so the refineries that have remained open must raise prices to keep up with this challenge.

When gas prices rise, it can be a drag on the economy, impacting everything from consumer spending to the price of airline tickets, to hiring practices. While this can be frustrating for the consumer, with all of these factors effecting the way gas is made and distributed, it is only to be expected that these prices would rise. Respecting these choices is key to keep calm when the best thing for our country might be inconvenient for the people in it. – Cameron Rudd



FJH For Sale?



Craigslist users discovered an excellent deal on a junior high school this month. For the low price of \$12,000 you could purchase this lovely building including the children! The ad states, “Wonderful school for sale. School district is running out of money so it most go quickly”. The ad lists many amenities that come with the property including eight bedrooms, air conditioning, land, laundry on site, and valet parking. While this is clearly a hoax, it makes you wonder how fun it would be to live in a junior high school building!

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Vote Loud, Vote Proud

Student government elections have come and gone. Once a year, all kinds of people run for student body officer, but only a few can win.

For the 2021-2022 school year:

The future 8th grade officers are:

Carmilla Bruse

Isaac Hogge

Rylin Toone

Taylor Workman

The future 9th grade officers are:

Liberty Andersen

Brigden Sunderland

Addie Tingey

Austin Wilcox

The future Student Body Officers are:

Charlie Jenks – President

Elle Erikson – Vice President

Isabel Oldroyd – Secretary

For most of the school, this was the end of it. But for the 9th graders, it was a different story. There was the first election, but that was to find the finalists. Then, there was a second election to get our officers. As of the writing of this article, the results are not out yet, but we can be sure that that whoever they may be, our future Student Body Officers will be fantastic. Good luck to them!

-Anna Burke



Feature

Deep Sea Death

For those people who love the idea of burial at sea, the company Eternal Reefs is the one for you(r death). They mix the cremated remains of a person with concrete to create a “pearl” onto which loved ones can etch personal messages, handprints or (environmentally friendly) mementos. The pearl is then put within a “reef ball” that is dropped into the sea, where it provides a new habitat for the surrounding sea life, helping encourage a vibrant ecosystem. The circle of life is thus carried on. Eternal Reefs has been a permanent living legacy that memorializes the passing of a loved one by helping to preserve and protect the marine environment for the benefit of future generations.

In the late 1980s, a pair of college roommates from the University of Georgia often went diving off of the Florida Keys on breaks. Over the years of diving, they saw significant deterioration and degradation of the reefs that they visited. Don Brawley, founder of Eternal Reefs, realized the reefs needed help. A decision was made to do something about the reefs’ declining health. Once the friends were out of school, they began to talk about how they could contribute and help protect and restore these fragile ecosystems. Creating a material and system that would replicate the natural marine environment that supports coral and microorganism development was what they decided to do. And thus, the concept of the reef ball was formed – to directly rehabilitate and rebuild the dying reefs and in turn, add new habitat to the marine environment.

-Samantha Garrick



Summer’s Iconic Treat

It’s almost here! Summer is just around the corner and it comes with the joy of no more math assignments, beautiful warm days, time at the pool, relaxing time and of course.... Ice-cream.

Believe it or not Ice-cream has an interesting history of its own, along with several interesting facts.



For starters, it takes about 50 licks to finish a single scoop ice-cream cone. And one in ten people admit to licking the bowl clean afterwards! Also, a cow can make two gallons of ice-cream per day, meaning that per year it helps produce about 730 gallons!

In the United States, 9% of milk is used to make ice-cream! And it takes three gallons of milk to make a gallon of the frozen deliciousness.

Vanilla is the most popular flavor in the US and 87% of people have ice-cream in their freezer at any given time. Americans eat about 48 ice-cream pints per year.

The world’s largest ice-cream cone was over nine feet tall and scooped in Italy! Most of the vanilla used to make ice-cream comes from Madagascar and Indonesia.

Chocolate syrup is the most common ice-cream topping and in 1929 Rocky Road became a widely available flavor (other than vanilla, chocolate, and strawberry).

In 1984, July was named national Ice-cream month!

As one can see, Ice-cream is a popular and well-loved treat. Enjoy it over the summer!
-Rebecca Tew

Lagoon’s Hidden Secrets

It is that time of year again! Many teenagers are celebrating the opening of Lagoon! During spring, Lagoon is open on the weekends and children and teens of all ages find themselves riding the carousel or building up the courage to go on Cannibal. Lagoon opened July 15, 1883 and has some interesting things in its history!

According to an article by Lynn Arave, “you are far more likely to be injured, or killed in a car accident on the way to/or from Lagoon Amusement Park... than on any of the park’s attractions.” This is very reassuring, but accidents have happened at Lagoon in years past. Many dated back to the early opening years of the park when people could swim in the lake nearby. Many who swam or boated unfortunately drowned or dove down too far and (to put it nicely) hit their heads. The article points out the fact that “most of the deaths at Lagoon were caused by a patron’s own negligence or recklessness.” So, if we are being careful, we have nothing to fear while experiencing the thrills of Lagoon!

Many believe the nicknamed “White” Roller Coaster to be the oldest ride at Lagoon, but while it is one of the oldest operating wooden roller coasters in the world, the Herschel-Spillman Carousel beats it in age by a couple decades. The carousel was made in 1893 and is still holding up well. The park has a lady that is there to hand paint the animals on the ride when their color starts to fade. The Roller

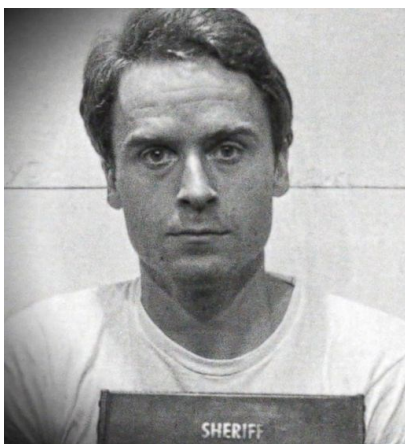


Coaster comes in second place, being built in 1921, and in third oldest is Flying Aces. All three rides have lasted through the weather of Utah and a fire that spread throughout the park in 1953. Much of the Roller Coaster had to be rebuilt and The Carousel still has scorch marks from a fire that burned it years and years ago.

These are only a small portion of Lagoon’s interesting history! Many things have happened over the years, from the burning of the Roller Coaster, a change in the landscape after the construction of Cannibal, and the current, undergoing construction of the new ride Primordial.

-Abbey Klein

The Story of Ted Bundy



Ted Bundy was born on November 24, 1946 in Burlington, Vermont. At the age of three, he loved knives. Ted did well in school but did not like being with other students. No one knows who Bundy’s father is but there are rumors that his father is also his grandfather.

Bundy was accepted to law school in Utah, but would never get his degree. When he was going to University of Washington he fell in love with a pretty and rich girl. When they broke up, he was defeated. The later girls he murdered looked just like her with long, dark hair.

Bundy Confessed to killing 36 people but experts say he killed around 100 or more women. He usually kidnapped them by pretending to be injured and asking for their help. They usually were

kind and helped him. Little did they know this would be a mistake.

When Bundy went to law school in Utah, women started disappearing again. One day he was pulled over and the police searched his car. They found multiple burglary tools. He was arrested and the police linked him to kidnappings and crimes.

After Bundy was taken into custody, he escaped prison twice in 1977. The first time he escaped he was caught only eight days later. The second time he went to Tallahassee, Florida. He later broke into the Chi Omega sorority house at Florida State University. He attacked four of the women who lived there and killed two of them. A month later he kidnapped a 12-year-old girl and later murdered her. Ted Bundy was later pulled over and arrested once again.

He received the death penalty twice. He received another death sentence a year later for the 12-year-old girl Kimberly Leach. He tried to take his trial all the way to the U.S. Supreme court but was denied. He later gave the police information to unsolved murders to avoid Florida’s electric chair. But he could not delay it forever and was executed in 1989. After he was executed, the crowd cheered and set off fireworks. -Julia Torman

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Clubs & Sports

Cyber Kindness



The Kindness club has been making the school a better place through kindness. Their slogan is Cyber kindness. The Kindness Club meets every Tuesday after school to discuss kind things they can do for the school. They meet with Mrs. Pead, Ms. Cannon, and Mrs. Kalakis. Have you ever seen them in their awesome T-Shirts? They wear them every Thursday. If you see them in the hall, say hi! They have done a few projects over the weeks. They have made a kind poster. You may have seen it in the hall by Mrs. Kalakis' room, it is all about being the "I" in kind. They are also responsible for the little tickets hung in the hallway. Those are only a few things that they have done. If you are very kind, or

want to be a little nicer, you should join next year! They do so many fun activities to make the school a little nicer. – Brooklyn Rudd

Stormy Weather Cancels Track Meet

Track season was just barely about to start after a long training period of conditioning and practicing. Unfortunately, Farmington Junior High's 2021 track team's first meet was cancelled due to unstable weather and cold temperatures. "I'm super disappointed!" Mrs. Dennis exclaimed, "The students have trained and practiced so hard for so long, I just feel heart-broken for them." Mrs. Dennis was upset the first track meet of the season was cancelled due to the bad timing of a storm. But this history teacher was not the only one to be upset. Nik Crump, and 8th grade track member stated, "I wish that we could've had our meet today. I'm pretty disappointed it was canceled because of weather, especially because we could still have held events indoors." As I'm sure there are some students who were to some degree relieved to have their first day postponed. Overall, the beginning of track season has come to a devastating halt, as we wait for the weather to clear up, which we would love to predict, but since we live in Utah, that is almost virtually impossible. -Abby Carter



The Josh Fight



One year ago, the course of history changed. A text was sent to a group of people, all named Josh Swain. It read, "Precisely, 4/24/2021, 12:00 PM, meet at these coordinates, (40.8223286, -96.7982002) we fight, whoever wins gets to keep the name, everyone else has to change their name, you have a year to prepare, good luck."

The coordinates, a field on the outside of Lincoln, Nebraska will go down in history forever as almost 300 people named Josh, all dressed in fashionable costumes, came to rumble. Only two people named "Josh Swain" actually showed up and had a rock paper scissors battle. I am happy to report that Josh Swain won and got to keep his name. After the rock paper scissors duel, all 200 Joshes grabbed a pool noodle and went to town. Characters included "Obi-Josh-Kenobi" "Spider-Josh" "Emperor Josh" "Spider-Josh 2" and the legendary, timeless "Little Josh"

After defeating three of his first competitors, 4-year old "Little Josh" was given a burger king crown and declared the Champion. All the other Joshes had to legally change their name to Juan. The event raised \$8,000 dollars for a hospital that "Little Josh" was treated at as a baby.

–Thomas Bradley



Dance Auditions

Are you interested in dancing? Well, if you are the Farmington Junior High dance company is holding auditions! The auditions will be after school on May 13th. Before you go, you might want a chance to know what you are getting into and what you would be doing. For this, the dance company is holding a pre-audition meeting. This will be on May 4th at 7am. If you want to tryout but need help, worry not. They will be holding clinics May 11th and May 12th from 6am-8am.

The results from the auditions will be posted hopefully by Friday the 14th at 3 pm. For more information, email Christy Mortensen at chmortensen@dsdmail.net

Eat, Sleep, Track

"Track takes a lot of hard work and determination. But, at the end of the day, track is worth it, maybe.....just kidding, totally worth it!" stated 7th grade student Samantha Garrick. Track is in full swing at Farmington Junior High and students couldn't be more excited to be out running again. After having to cut the season short due to COVID-19, students are working harder than ever to have a great season! 7th Grader Samantha Garrick competes in discus, long jump and relay race. She enjoys track because, "I enjoy hanging out with friends while also getting exercise." The track team has done fantastic at their track meets. On Thursday, April 22nd, the boys' team got 2nd place overall and the girls' team got 1st place overall! While the season isn't over yet, it seems that the FJH track team have had an incredible season. Go Huskies! - Molli Bell

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Editorial

Pass It On

It's the evening of your birthday and you have opened all the presents, eaten all the cake, and said goodbye to your guests. At this point, sometimes we find ourselves asking "What now?" Three years ago, on her birthday, Mrs. Pead thought the exact same thing, "What now?". Mrs. Pead decided that something positive should come out of birthdays rather than just a "what now". She wanted something that would spread something good so, she started thinking. Now during the week of April 17th, her birthday, she challenges her students to spread some kindness. She asked them to do four acts of kindness, one for themselves, one for a friend, one for a stranger, and one for their least favorite family member. She also asked that after you do the act, you would ask the receiver to pass it on, so it would spread.

Mrs. Pead loves to watch the kindness spread from just one act of kindness to another. She wanted to do something more for her birthday then just open presents, eat cake and say "what now?" Now she loves hearing stories of how kindness has spread on her birthday. What more can we do on our birthdays? We can start by acting on Mrs. Pead's challenge of doing four acts of kindness, one for yourself, one for your friend, one for a stranger, and one for a family member. Lets make something more out of our birthdays than just presents and cakes. -Hailey Bradley



Why You Shouldn't Be Vegan

9.7 million people are now vegan all over America. Over the past 1.5 years, the number of vegans in the U.S. has increased 300 percent. Since being vegan is such a big thing, should you become vegan? The answer is no, let me explain:

The definition of vegan is, "a person who does not eat any food derived from animals and who typically does not use other animal products." Meaning, they won't eat foods that are "derived" from animals like cheese, eggs, and ice cream. Why? Why would someone not eat cheese or ice cream? Have you tried cheese? It is amazing. Honestly, you would miss so much joy.

Another rationale why you shouldn't go vegan is, there's a reason why we have animals on the Earth. Chickens and cows don't have a purpose if not being used to produce milk, eggs, or meat. If we weren't supposed to eat chickens and cows, they wouldn't be here. Also, chickens naturally produce eggs even if they are not fertilized. What are we supposed to do with them? It will also actually hurt cows if not milked regularly. Paul Fishbeck said, "Eating lettuce is over three times worse in greenhouse gas emissions than eating bacon." He said this because foods like celery, cucumber, and eggplant require much more water and energy than you think. Lettuce is particularly guilty of this.

For these reasons, you now know, you should never be vegan. -Megan Barker

A Big Change



Governor Spencer Cox officially signed the bill lifting Utah's mask mandate on April 10th, 2021. But the bill does not apply to school districts and large gatherings in Utah. K-12 schools mask mandate will still be in effect until July 1st when the 2020-21 school year is over. But should students and educators wear face coverings or not? I believe that school districts should choose whether they will wear masks during school depending on the situation they are in.

Sen Ronald Winterton, R-Roosevelt, and the sponsor of the bill, said no one consulted local school districts before issuing the public order. "It's trying to put this decision back with the local school districts where it belongs," he said, "Otherwise, why are we electing a school board if we're not going to let them do their job?" Another version that passed with a 5-2 vote that the governor would have to reach out to districts before issuing any more orders.

Schools in Daggett County only have about 12-15 kids per class. This causes less transmission between students and teachers. They should be able to choose if they wanted to wear a face covering or not because their numbers are so low.



If schools are in high-risk areas and choose to wear masks, they will limit the Covid-19 spread letting them work in-person. During Soft Closure kids were not getting any help from their teachers. They were falling behind, and parents were not able to help their kids because they had to work. If they wear masks during school, kids could learn in-person with their teachers.

Governor Cox said it is about letting the school districts know they have more options. They can make masks optional or create more exemptions. I believe that in areas where Covid-19 is not spreading as much they should not have to be so strict about the mask mandate, but in places where it is spreading, they should consider having students and teachers wear face coverings during school. -Taylor Sutterfield

Moth Man or Crane?

In West Virginia the sightings of Moth Man were of a man-sized bird with red eyes. The sightings started in Point Pleasant November 15, 1966 and came in until December 15,

1967. The first sighting was from a couple claiming in a newspaper article that they saw a man-sized bird creature. Shortly after that the national news caught on to the story helping publicize it across the United States. Roger and Linda Scarberry, and Steve and Mary Mallett told police they saw a large grey creature whose eyes glowed red when the car's headlights picked it up. They described it as a large flying man with ten-foot wings. The creature followed their car while they were driving in an area outside of town known as "the TNT area." Shortly after it more sightings were reported. Even two volunteer fire fighters

saw a large bird with red eyes. A local contractor told the sheriff that when he aimed his flashlight at the creature his eyes lit up like bike reflectors and blamed the disappearance of his dog on the beast. Later a wildlife specialist said that the creature was most likely a sandhill crane. The largest crane in America. The bird has 7-foot-long wingspan with round red eyes. -Lucy Seamons



Arts & Academics

Keeping Your Grades Up Until the End of the Year

We know it's the end of the year, that you just want to relax and take a chill pill. Trust me EVERYBODY wants it to be summer. But when you're chilling, you are not doing your schoolwork or you are not paying attention in class. This needs to stop. Here are some ways that will help keep your grades up and help you to focus more during class.



The first way to help keep your grades up for the final term is to keep at it with your homework! Sometimes it helps to do it in class. When the teacher says you can use your phones for the rest of class, take out the math homework and start working on it. You may be thinking, what if I don't understand the homework? What if the homework is too long to do in class? These are simple questions that can be solved. In most of your classes' math teachers or English teachers have extra time after school for workshops to help you complete work that you are behind on. This is a great time to ask for help on a missing cooldown you're working on or a missing power focus area. with the second question, this is kind of easy. Work on it at home! Find time after school to sit down at the dinner table and work on your map for geography.

The next way to help you focus more during class is to stop talking and get off your phone. Maybe your class is really talkative and you've got some really great friends in that class. But guess what, you also have a F in that class, making it one of your worst grades. This isn't a good sign. So, guess what, time to shut your phone all the way off while you're heading to class. Something that also might help with not talking to your friends is to tell them before class that you are working on not talking and that you are trying to focus more so that you understand the subject more. If they are good friends, they will understand and respect you and not talk to you during that period. If they don't respect your decision for the class period, you might want to get some new friends. – Claire Brown

Why Nature is so Good for You



Over the most recent years, many different studies have been conducted proving that nature is beneficial to human's mental health. One study showed that this could be because we were in awe because we were looking at something greater than ourselves because we are in wonder of what we are experiencing. To study this further some went out for trip in nature. When they returned, they reported that they had felt awe, amusement, peace, gratitude, joy, or pride. Some studies have proven that having plants in your house can also have the same effect as being in nature. Plants in your house can be beneficial not just to mental health but also physical by lowering blood pressure, boosting the immune system, and improving sleep. Some of the best plants to have in your house include monstera deliciosa, peace lily, aloe vera, bird's nest fern, etc. Although this sounds great in concept some might be unsure of how to go forward with planting them and caring for them. The first step you should take is to research which plant would be best suited for you and the environment they are in. A universal plant family that is easy to care for is the succulent family. Make sure that you have a place for them to be that gives them enough light but not too much. You should make sure that you are using proper soil to make sure they have the best chance of surviving. Make sure that you are watering them according to their individual needs. These are just the basics to plant care but make sure that you are not stressing to much over them. Caring for plants is not for everyone but it can be beneficial.—Indiana Coyle

Year-round School Improves Academic Performance



Year-round schooling goes on throughout the whole year even in summer. Year-round follows a calendar of 60 days of

instruction followed by 20 days of vacation. This way students do not have to go through the same routine of getting new teachers and new everything after a long summer of doing no schooling. But does this improve academic performance?

We learned from research that summer learning loss affects the students and can be a real problem. And they came to the conclusions that students in year-round schools do a little better with academic achievement, that education is beneficial for students from low-income families, and everyone involved with this schooling tend to have positive attitudes about the experience. Year-round schools usually provide sources and material for students, over their breaks, to practice their skills. This way they can continually stay engaged with their learning. Research has also found that year-round schooling benefits students from lower socioeconomic levels. But we cannot be sure on whether year-round schooling is better and will help all kinds of students. But from the research we have it seems that students going to year-round schools do a little better than traditional students. -Brookelle Brenchley

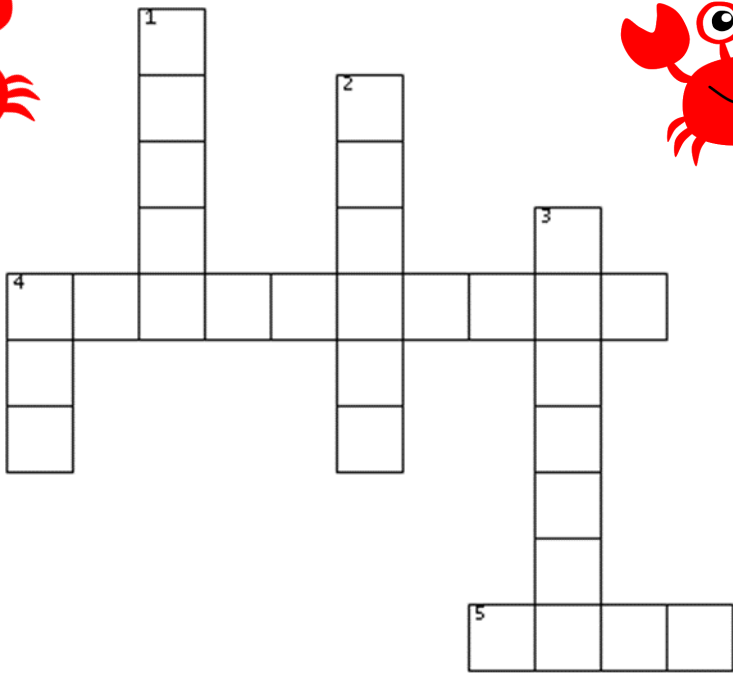
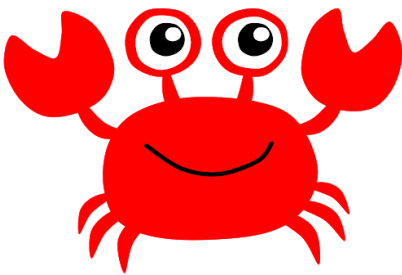
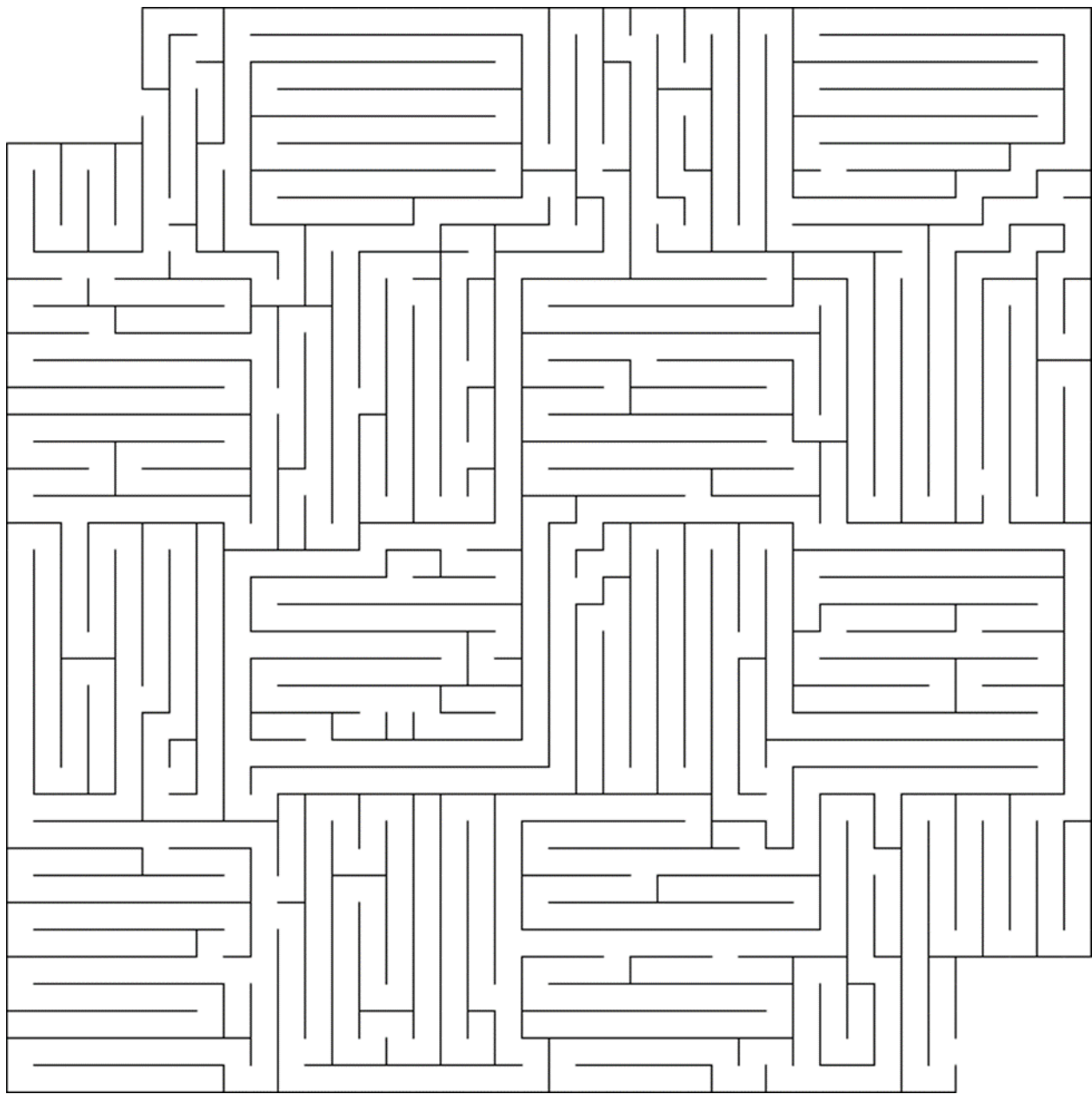
Bhutan Vaccinating 93% of adults in 2 Weeks



Bhutan has managed to vaccinate 509,218 adults in the span of two weeks. Bhutan has giving the vaccine to this many adults because their population is 763,092 and is generally a small country. Bhutan is considered one of the least developed countries but has still managed to vaccinate hundreds of thousands of people. Right when they got delivered the vaccine, they started bringing it out to people because majority of the people wanted it. Bhutan had people work hard every day just to deliver their people the vaccine. Bhutan has worked hard on giving their people the vaccine and other countries should see them as an example and then maybe we can get everyone vaccinated as quickly as possible. -Taylor Hunter

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Comics and Games



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 - 5. May in Spanish

- DOWN
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