



Collector Coins at Rosemont

At the June meeting of the Rosemont Antiquarian Society one of the members showed up with a jar of very old silver dollars, quarters and dimes in equal numbers. In a moment of nervousness before the meeting began, the chairperson spilled the entire contents of the jar and the Society members were forced to spend the rest of the night on their hands and knees looking for the coins.

When the members finally gave up searching, the face value of the coins now in the jar was \$6.75, but there were three coins still missing.

How many of each denomination was in the jar before the spill occurred?



Adrian's Leg Count

Adrian was riding his new ATV along the shore of the Humber River when he met a couple on an outing with their two sets of twins, pet dog, pet cat and – he found this hard to believe – their pet snake!

How many more legs than Adrian has did he see at that moment of his ride?



Orville's Albion Octagon

After Orville scraped away several layers of yellowed and cracked linoleum from the kitchen floor of his century home in the former Albion Township, he found that decades ago someone had painted the outline of an octagon on the original pine floor.

Then, after several more hours of hard work, Orville discovered that someone, possibly the same painter, had joined each of the eight corners of the octagon to every other corner with straight black lines.

How many straight black lines inside the octagon did it take to join each one of the corners to every other corner?



What am I?

Choose a single letter as suggested in each line below. The correct choices in order from first to fourth will produce a four-letter word that answers the question: What am I?

"My first is in **Amaranth** but not in **Hillsburgh**."

"My second is in **Unser** but not in **Violet Hill**."

"My third is in **Terra Cotta** but not in **Erin**."

"My fourth is in **Orton** but not in **Silver Creek**."

Hint: In these hills I am both a boon and a bane.



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The Case of the Stolen Documents

The shoulder patches on the man in the office doorway said he was an employee of Our Hills Courier Service, but the growing patches of perspiration under his arms indicated far more eloquently, along with the fidgeting, that he was in trouble. The cause of his stress was coming from a voice inside the office.

"Let me go over this one more time," the courier's boss was saying. "Just to be sure I'm not dreaming this! You're saying this cop pulled you over on McLaughlin..."

"Yeah, motorcycle cop," the courier said. "Just outside Inglewood."

"And he makes you get out of the van, ramps his motorcycle into the van and then drives away!"

"Yeah, like that. I mean... by then I know he's not a cop but... I mean he *looked* like a cop. A motorcycle cop, big gloves, aviator glasses, white helmet, shiny boots, that kinda cocky way about him. You'da stopped too I bet!"

The voice became quieter. "And you say he was a big, husky guy, blue eyes, heavy moustache, a little cut on the nose?"

"Yeah, like that. And he wasn't fat like a lot of those cops. But I still..."

"You know, don't you," the voice was stern again, "that you were carrying extremely valuable documents for a company in Shelburne." Before the man could answer the voice carried on, "And now the cops, the *real* cops are on their way here from Caledon East to talk to you."

"Yeah, but I still..."

"And there's no way in the world they are going to believe your story!"

"They're not?"

"No, they're not! And just for the record, I don't either!"

Why does the courier's boss not believe the story?

You've Got Ten Seconds!

When the school bus broke down between Caledon East and Caledon Village, Chuck had a load of grade six and seven students to amuse until the relief bus showed up. Among other things he tossed out these puzzles, challenging the students to answer correctly **within ten seconds**. *How would you have done if you were on the bus?*

Mary's father has five daughters, Nana, Nene, Nini, Nono and _____?

Use *one* three letter word to fill the blanks and make four different words.

design ___ congreg ___
altern ___ consider ___

Artie has been standing outside in the pouring rain on Broadway in Orangeville for the past ten minutes. He has no umbrella, no hat, no raincoat, and nothing to hold over his head. His clothes are drenched; his shoes are soaked and he's really cold. All this happened without a single hair on his head getting wet. How is this possible?

A mute person goes into a store in Grand Valley to buy a toothbrush. She's a stranger in Grand Valley but by imitating the action of brushing teeth, she conveys what she wants and soon walks out with a new toothbrush. Five minutes later a blind person, again a stranger in Grand Valley, goes into the store to buy a pair of sunglasses. How does he convey what he wants?

Imagine three horizontal lines, one above the other, each of them one centimetre apart. Got that? Now imagine three vertical lines, one beside the other, each of them one centimetre apart, and each one cutting through the horizontal lines. How many squares have been formed?

