Read the terms and conditions before you check the box claiming you did

By Vera Hogan
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Online buying may be fast and convenient, but there are some things you should know before letting that mouse go shopping crazy.

First, actually read the terms and conditions. It may take a few extra minutes, but at least you will know what you’re getting into.

Many online retailers will point out right in their terms and conditions that shipping fees are non-refundable under any circumstances. That means if you find you have to return an item, you are not going to get the money you spent to have it shipped to you in the first place back — even if there is a mistake and it’s the company’s fault. You may have to pay to ship it back to the company. Some also have restocking and other fees. Returns can be problematic if you don’t know policies in advance.

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You can’t feel the texture or see the true color of an item when you buy it online. There’s no way to try out products or try on clothes before you buy them, the way you can when you walk into a retail store and get help from a real person, especially if you have a lot of questions or doubts.

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Poor packaging and delivery can resulting in broken or damaged items.

RETURNS CAN BE A HASSLE

As indicated previously, returning items that were purchased online can be a hassle and time consuming. You might have to pay extra to have something shipped back. Common ones are no-return policies or, if returns are allowed, restocking fees that can be 10 or even 30 percent of the original purchase price. If you are fighting with an online company about their policies, go to usa.gov, and search “consumer agencies” for a list of groups that may be able to help you.

SHIPPING, HANDLING AND RESTOCKING FEES

There also are the shipping fees, handling fees, and restocking fees to deal with. If an online merchant doesn’t follow the Direct Marketing Association’s guidelines on shipping and handling fees, it could face a legal complaint or other action from law enforcement. If you think a site is charging excessive or misleading fees, report it to your local consumer protection office.

HOLD PLEASE...

Waiting for customer service over the phone can be very annoying, and sometimes that happens with online shopping. You’ll have to check the website again and see when their customer service representatives

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**Every day is Valentine’s Day**

My husband, Mike, and I will celebrate our 29th wedding anniversary this year in October. We married just four and a half months after we met. With Valentine’s Day coming on Tuesday, I can’t help but be thankful for my life with Mike. While flowers, candy and dinner at a nice restaurant are great, and I get those if I want, Mike gives me much more than that every day of the year.

We are rarely apart. Any nights we have spent away from each other were when I was in the hospital for one night when each of our sons were born. In later years, we’ve traveled out of state separately to visit or help family members for a few days. And, he spends a few days in the fall at hunting camp. That’s it.

Mike never has and does not now go to bars or ‘hang out’ with the guys. When we’re not at work, we’re together at home. While our preferences in TV shows are vastly different (John Wayne, puh-lease!), we have worked out an acceptable TV-watching schedule that works for both of us. At night, we watch shows we both like together.

Mike knows how to fix everything. Since we were married in 1988, I have had to take my vehicle to a repair shop only one time, and that cost us less than a couple hundred dollars. He is a talented mechanic. He also handles all of our home repairs and improvements, including plumbing and electric. You name it, he can do it.

Since we both love to cook, we rarely dine at restaurants. We go out for lunches during the workday sometimes, but almost never in the evening. Put simply, we love our own cooking so much nothing else really tastes as good to us.

Mike shares all the housekeeping duties. He does the floors himself because I, quite honestly, hate mopping floors.

Outside, Mike does all of the yard work and in the summer grows us a fabulous vegetable garden — much of which he shares with neighbors and cans for use during the winter months. Mike doesn’t send me flowers from the florist, mainly because he knows I would be angry that he spent the money, but he is always bringing home lovely lilacs in the spring and beautiful wild flowers all summer.

In the winter, he will come home with a wedge of brie, a pint of chocolate ice cream, or some other tasty treat.

My husband very rarely says a harsh word to me, and when he does, which is almost never, I usually deserve it. He is very kind to everyone and has a hard time saying ‘no’ to anyone who needs his help.

Mike is a terrific son. They say you can tell a lot about a man by how he treats his mother. Believe me when I say that when his mom needs anything, he is right there for her. He is also a great father. Between his two oldest sons and our two sons together, we are proud to have put into the world four young men who learned from their dad what it takes to be a real man, and a real gentleman.

So, I join the countless numbers of women locally and nationwide, who also married good guys, when I say, thanks for making every day Valentine’s Day.

**Just sayin’...**

**WELKER/STROUD ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**

Wayland Stroud of Holly and Deborah Stroud of Fenton are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Stroud of Fenton to Jeffrey Welker also of Fenton. The groom’s parents are Timothy and Lisa Welker of Fenton. Jeff is employed at Corrigan Oil and Heather is a Dental Hygiene student at Mott Community College. The wedding is planned for June 3, 2017 and will be held at the Evangelist Catholic Church in Fenton, with Father Robert Copeland officiating the ceremony. The matron of honor is Sharessa Tackett. The bridesmaids include Julie Welker and Christina Trull. The best man will be Matthew Parker with Scott Parker, Jason Gibson, and Trevor Nicholson all as groomsmen. The reception will be at The Holly Vault. The newlyweds will spend their honeymoon some place tropical and will reside in Fenton. Heather and Jeff were high school sweethearts and reunited after the mother of the bride found a Valentine’s Day card tucked away that Jeff had given Heather in high school. The rest was history!
9 easy ways to **SAVE MONEY** every day

By Hannah Ball
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Everyone wants to save more money, but not everyone can commit. Here are nine easy ways to save money every day.

1) **Save all your $1 bills**

Every time a cashier hands you a $1 as change, put it in a jar at home and don’t touch it until a certain day. You can open the jar during tax season, your birthday, use it for Christmas shopping, a way to celebrate the new year on Jan. 1, or you can use it as a vacation fund. You can also do this with $5 bills.

2) **Keep the home cooler**

Heating bills are expensive. Instead of keeping your home at 70 degrees or 68 degrees, keep it at 63 or 64 degrees. Wear more sweaters and use more blankets to keep warm while cutting down on those heating bills.

3) **Turn off the TV**

The background noise can be nice, but if you’re not actively watching the TV, turn it off to save money on your electricity bill. Turn off lights when you’re not in the room, and unplug chargers when not in use.

4) **Sell online or consign**

Use local consignment stores or safe online sites to sell items you don’t use anymore to make extra cash. Cleaning out your closet and selling old clothes is a popular way to benefit from recycling.

5) **Use every free customer rewards program**

Many stores have customer reward programs, where you swipe a card every time you shop to collect points. Use these programs at stores you frequently visit to get better deals and save money.

6) **Use the 30-day rule**

When you want to purchase an item you want, but don’t necessarily need, wait 30 days to buy it. Revisit the item, and if you still want it, buy it. If you’re on the fence, don’t buy it. You’ll have a better perspective after the 30 days.

7) **Utilize time limits**

Give yourself a time limit while shopping. This won’t allow you to walk slowly throughout the stores, looking at more unnecessary items and potentially buying extra things you don’t need.

8) **Drink water smarter**

Drinking more water before you eat will ensure that you don’t eat too much. It’s healthier and a money saver. Also make sure to carry around a refillable water bottle so you’re not spending $2 every time you’re thirsty.

9) **Plan smarter**

Start meal planning based on what’s on sale. If fish is on sale today, make fish for dinner. If steak will be on sale on Monday, plan a steak dinner.

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are available. If they are across the country or even halfway across the world, you may have to call at a very inconvenient time just to get a hold of someone.

WHAT YOU SEE ISN’T WHAT YOU ORDERED

Some items can look nicer or bigger on the internet. Always look for measurements and use a ruler or tape measure to know how big something is before buying it. Clothing size is a perfect example because you might be one size in one dress and another size in a different dress. If you order clothing from outside the United States, the sizes could be way off.

BROKEN OR DAMAGED

Another pitfall to online shopping is unexpected poor packaging and delivery, resulting in broken or damaged items. Even companies that have a good track record of making sure their shipments are secure can’t escape the casualties that can be caused by a careless delivery person.

YOU WANT YOUR MONEY BACK?

The worst pitfall of online shopping is falling for a scam, or ordering something from a fraudulent site. With all good intentions information is provided such as credit card numbers, addresses, phone numbers, or emails. Some sites abruptly disappear, after you have purchased items. Reputable sites will provide phone numbers to reach customer service and an actual physical address.

DON’T PUT YOURSELF IN DEBT

Falling into debt because of online shopping is easy to do. There are websites out there that keep your credit card information on file, and you can literally purchase an item with just one click of the mouse. Online shopping opens up a whole new avenue for impulse buys.

IDENTITY THEFT IS NOT A JOKE

Identity theft is one of the biggest pitfalls of online shopping. Online shopping offers convenience and ease of shopping, but be aware of sites that you’re not familiar with, their methods of payment, and any alerts or reviews about unsatisfied customers. If a company doesn’t have any online customer reviews or testimonials then you may want to steer clear of buying anything from them.

THERE IS AN UPSIDE

While online shopping has its pitfalls, there are also many advantages, including the convenience. If you buy from reputable sites purchasing items from around, the world has never been easier. Source: Advantageccs.com

SUMMARY

Scientists have found a correlation between certain environmental factors and autism, yet Dr. Richard Solomon, Ann Arbor Center for Development and Behavioral Pediatrics, said the general consensus is the increase in number of cases before 2012 can be attributed to screening for the disease at an earlier age, redefining the criteria for the disorder. (See sidebar)

There are also environmental factors. “Another factor is that there is growing evidence that the environment is causing an increase in autism,” Solomon said.

Scientists have found a correlation with autism and factors like pesticide residue.

Solomon stressed that one type of treatment does not help all children with autism. Models focusing on parent involvement and development are showing evidence of benefiting children with autism. Solomon said the usual Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) treatments, which focus on positive reinforcement to increase useful behaviors and reduce harmful ones, are mainly used to treat autism, but there’s growing support for parent implementation models, which encourages parental involvement at younger ages.

Changing the criteria

In 2013, the American Psychiatric Association changed the guidelines for diagnosing autism. Before 2013, children needed to meet six of 12 criteria points to be considered autistic with one type of autism-related disorder. With the change, the criteria are more specific, and all disorders fall under one category called “autism spectrum disorders” or ASD.

What is autism spectrum disorder?

ASD and autism are general terms for a range of disorders of brain development characterized in varying degrees by difficulties in social interactions, verbal and nonverbal communication, and repetitive behaviors, according to autismspeaks.com. Autism may be associated with intellectual disability, motor coordination and attention, and may excel in visual skills like music, math and art.

Most children are diagnosed after age 4, although some can be diagnosed as early as age 2. ASD is almost five times more common among boys than girls, with 1 in 42 boys being diagnosed compared to 1 in 169 girls, according to the CDC. White children are more likely to be diagnosed with ASD compared to black or Hispanic children.

Children with autism are likely to have co-existing problems like a seizure disorder, depression, anxiety, and other health problems.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention urges parents to take their child to a doctor if they suspect their child has ASD.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, WebMD

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

WHO NEEDS THE Barnum & Bailey Circus anymore? We have the clowns in Congress.

THREE IS NOTHING to fear but fear itself. Our president campaigned on fears and lies. Now, you who voted for him are getting the reactions. World chaos — all because you wanted change.

AFTER EIGHT YEARS of hope and change, I guess there wasn’t very much. Thousands and thousands of people protesting. I guess I want to do that, too. But my boss wouldn’t like it if I wasn’t at work.

YOU THINK OBAMA was taking us to socialism? What do you think about the new guy taking us to, fascism?

IF YOU LIKE Reagan testifying about Communism in the movie industry, you’d probably love Senator McCra- rhy, too. It was one of the darkest times in our history with McCarthy- rism and all the damage he did. You’re probably right there with him.

WE HAVE A LOT more people working now than when Bush was in office. People aren’t losing their homes and the auto industry is in good shape.

JUST WHEN I thought all was well with the world, Andrew Heiler shows up again.

IN THIS TIME and place, a little forgiveness can go a long, long way.

TRUMP’S BEEN IN office a couple weeks now, and he’s off playing golf. President Obama played, too. Yet this president goes off and sends insult- ing tweets while he’s at it.

HELP, I’VE FALLEN and I can’t get up.

TO THOSE WHO, among other things, say the president is not a legitimate president, he was selected by the electoral college just as been done in the past. If Trump had won the popular vote and Hillary won the electoral college, would you have then called her not a legitimate president?

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EPA Begins Review
Rose Township Dump Superfund Site
Holly, Michigan

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is conducting a five-year review of the Rose Township Dump Superfund site in Holly, Mich. The Superfund law requires regular checkups of sites that have been cleaned up – with waste managed on-site – to make sure the cleanup continues to protect people and the environment. This is the fifth five-year review of this site.

EPA’s cleanup of contamination at the abandoned landfill consisted of excavation and incineration of PCB-contaminated soil, excavation, treatment, on-site consolidation, and capping of lead- and arsenic-polluted soil; vapor extraction for soil contaminated with volatile organic compounds, or VOCs; and groundwater extraction and treatment for VOCs. More information is available at the Holly Public Library, 1116 N. Saginaw Street and https://www.epa.gov/superfund/rose-township-dump. The review should be completed in early June 2017.

The five-year review is an opportunity for you to tell EPA about site conditions and any concerns you have. Contact:

Nabil Fayouni
Remedial Project Manager
312-886-6940
fayouni.nabil@epa.gov

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MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING SCHEDULE

The 2017 Rose Township Board of Review will be held at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan on the following dates and times:

March 7, 2017 2:00 pm Organizational Meeting

Appointments will begin on:

Thursday, March 9, 2017 9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

March 13, 2017 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

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HOUSE PLAN OF THE WEEK

ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

February 8, 2017

Supervisor Scheib-Snider called the Regular Meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Scheib-Snider, Miller, Gambka, Blaska, Noble

Board Members Absent/Excused: None

Approved: Agenda with addition of 5. F change of April Board of Trustees meeting date from April 12, 2017 to April 19, 2017

Approved: Consent Agenda minus Constable and HAY A reports.

Approved:

Historic Bus Tour date, Sunday, October 15, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Date Set: 2017 Rose Township Spring Clean-Up Day will be Saturday, May 20, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Fire Hall on Rose Center Road and Milford Road.

Approved: Pre-Moving Cemetery Clean-up Proposal and bid dates to be determined by March 2017.

Approved: Site Grass and Cemetery Mowing Proposal and bid dates to be determined by March 2017.

Approved: Rose Township Participation in the 2017 Oakland County Road Commission Tri-Party Program.

Date Set: Change of the Rose Township Board of Trustees General Meeting date of April 12, 2017 to Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

Adjourned: By motion at 8:22 p.m.

Dianne Scheib-Snider
Rose Township Supervisor

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2017 BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE

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SuperCrossword

ACROSS
1. Musical licensing gp. w/ greatest frequency
6. Light, a ray
24. River to Lake Geneva
21. Shiny lizard
22. My way's a fly by the
23. STARFOX
25. "Snowman"
26. Minor, c.g.
27. Albany hills
28. Add'r on a key stub
30. One of King Lear's daughters
31. Mast-like stonework
32. STICKY SWELLING
35. "Law and order"
40. Gambling piece, briefly
43. "For" (Beethoven's favorite)
44. OCTET
48. 3-girl (girl with glasses)
52. Start a dissertation

DOWN
53. Country's olive green
54. Wyant of the Old West
55. Mona ...
56. MAKE up
57. PERFORM zero
58. 11 in a strict way
59. Boxing sound
60. Global divide
61. NEGATIVE LEVY
62. Tomb-racing Croft
63. Prefix for sea names
64. (bel for passwords
65. Any minute
66. "Nothin' Shady" rapper
67. Blackhead of Mor's goodby
68. Gradually withdraw
69. Antigon
70. EMERALD JEWELRY
71. Path in a pit
72. Churl
73. Be incorrect
74. The Gator's
75. Armed raider
76. Man in green
77. CRC. hall
78. Flap drap
79. Watch
80. The wire's neighbor
81. For thinning
82. Man in gray
83. Summer's
84. Summer's
85. Full piece
86. In a key
87. For skin
88. Keep — on
89. Pod opener
90. Lazy bottle
91. Let's go for coffee
92. Down 25-D.
93. 811
94. Doc
95. Stab
96. Fly On Key
97. Tilt
98. Crying from a member of an airming group
99. She's goods
100. Fair hill's "Take me —
101. Wife of Dick
102. P.E.
103. "No more of those
104. 12 parts of nerve cells
105. Good name for a chef
106. Bob of folk
107. Country in West Africa
108. Silver — (photo in compound)
109. 2-Way 47
110. Grey Topi
111. Fauna
112. "For" (Beethoven's favorite)
113. Full piece
114. "Doctor in a
crack
115. "Flying slow"
116. "Heal me"
117. "It's not funny"
118. "Go ahead"
119. "All is well"
120. "Easy to shoot"
121. "It's not true"
122. "We'll do it for you"
123. "To die for"
124. "Insults"
125. "We did it"
126. "Great shot"
127. "Which?"
128. "What a crook"

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Mobilitie, LLC is proposing to construct a 125’ overall height utility pole near N Holly Road, Holly, MI 48442 in OAKLAND County (approximately coordinates are 42.808095000000002, -83.628068999999996). The proposed structure would not be lighted. Mobilitie invites any interested party to request further environmental review of the proposed action under the FCC’s National Environmental Policy Act rules, 47 CFR $1.1307, by notifying the FCC of the specific reasons that the action may have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. This request must only raise environmental concerns and can be filed online using the FCC pleadings system at www.fcc.gov or mailed to the following address: FCC Requests for Environmental Review, Attn: Ramon Williams, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554 within 30 days of the date that notice of this proposed action is published on the FCC’s website. Refer to File No. A1064036 when submitting the request and to view the notice of this proposed action is published on the FCC’s website.

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TYRONE TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
HELD FEBRUARY 7, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.


2. Opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. to inform residents of the proposed Apple Orchard Road Improvement District of a possible future drain special assessment project in the same district.

3. Closed the public hearing and reopened the regular meeting at 7:46 p.m.

4. Approved the agenda as amended; approved the consent agenda as presented.

5. Received and placed on file Communication #1 as presented.

6. Livingston County Drain Commissioner Brian Joncichere and Deputy Drain Commissioner Ken Recker explained the potential drain project of the Apple Orchard Drive area and answered questions from the residents.

7. Rick Scaife, Phil Santer, Julia Uptal, and Anna Zinkle from Ann Arbor Spark/EDLC presented an overview of economic growth in the township and surrounding area.

8. Agreed to split the cost of Anthony Hansen’s fire service invoice.

9. Denied the request of the Deputy Treasurer to attend the Michigan Municipal Treasurer’s Association Institute due to budget constraints. The Treasurer will apply for available grants or scholarships.

10. Approved the amount of $2,715.10 for bonuses and raises for the township’s hourly employees.

11. Authorized the renewal of the two-year SSL certificate for the township’s website at the cost of $450.

12. Supervisor Cunningham announced he will schedule interviews with selected engineering firms.

13. Approved the Zoning Administrator’s request to attend a Michigan Association of Planning workshop at the cost of $100.

14. Adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

The minutes of all regular and special Tyrone Township Board Meetings are on file and may be reviewed at the Tyrone Township Clerk’s office, 10408 Center Road, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and online at www.tyrontownship.us. The next regular meeting of the Tyrone Township Board will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall. The public is encouraged to attend.

Marcella Husted, Tyrone Township Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
FEBRUARY 6, 2017

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday February 6, 2017 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.

2. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

3. Approved the agenda as amended.

4. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of $127,624.14.

5. Adopted Resolution No. 2017-02, supporting the application of the Lake Fenton Property Owners Association to participate in the MDNR Canada Goose Egg & Nest destruction program.

6. Approved proposals from the Genesee County Road Commission for the repair of storm drain catch basins within the Township.

7. Approved funding for the PEG Grant applications of Lake Fenton Community Schools, Fenton Area Public Schools and Linden Community Schools up to a total amount of $168,625.53.

8. Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Robert Krug from the Fenton Township Zoning Board of Appeals and the Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation Board of Directors.


10. Appointed Trustee Robert Kesler to the Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation Board of Directors for the term ending December 31, 2018.

11. Adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at www.fenton township.org.

ROBERT E. KRUG
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Statins can cause loss of memory

DEAR DR. ROACH:
I have been taking Lipitor for high cholesterol. Lately, my pharmacist said that all statins can cause memory loss. I hesitate to stop taking Lipitor, but I don’t want this side effect. Please advise. — P.C.

ANSWER:
Your pharmacist is quite right that some users of statins can have the unwanted side effect of memory loss. This is quite variable: Some people never get this effect, and it can be quite severe in a few. It appears to be reversible in the majority of people who get it. I would recommend stopping unless you are having the side effect.

DEAR DR. ROACH:
I have chronic constipation, and have had it most of my life. I have used most of the bulking (husk) things that are out there. Nothing works. Years ago, I went to my doctor, and he said that I could take Miralax and use it for the rest of my life. It has worked! Now my new doctor wants me off of it, and wants me to incorporate fiber into my diet. I already do this. Plus I drink a lot of water. I start my day with a 24 ounces of water every morning before anything else. Is there anything wrong with taking Miralax every day? I do not take the full dose. — V.H.

ANSWER:
While I recommend non-drug treatments, such as increased water intake, high-fiber diet and exercise as treatment for constipation, that doesn’t work for everybody. In that case, using a medication as recommended by your doctor makes sense. Polyethylene glycol (Miralax) is a generally safe treatment that works by increasing fluid in the bowel. It’s a good idea to use it as little as is needed to keep the stool from getting uncomfortably hard.

Cat has appetite for plastic

DEAR PAW’S CORNER:
I have a 19-month-old cat, “Sissy,” who loves to chew on plastic shopping bags and whatever other plastic she can find. This started about six months ago. I feed her and her two siblings very well. Is there anything I can do to get her to stop? — Rae H., Weaverville, California

DEAR RAE:
Plastic shopping bags make a lovely cracking sound when chewed, and the texture is quite interesting. While some of the cats I’ve cared for over the years couldn’t care less about gnawing on such things, others were fascinated with crinkly plastic, crumpled paper and similar interesting items. Now, I can’t tell you exactly why a cat picks a specific material to chew on. You should certainly take Sissy to the vet for a checkup and discussion about her new behavior. Often it’s not health-related. Sissy may be looking for a little more excitement in her life. The risk of chewing on plastic, of course, is that she might ingest bits of it, and that can cause significant health problems. A small bit of soft shopping-bag plastic may not seem like much, but if she’s also sampling, say, the harder plastic of water bottles or milk jugs, small shards of those can be swallowed. In the short term, I recommend keeping plastic shopping bags and other tempting items out of Sissy’s reach, and spend more time playing with her and scattering cat-safe toys around the house to try and redirect her attention. Send your pet questions or tips to ask@paws corner.com. (c) 2017 King Features Synd., Inc.

READERS:
The booklet on constipation explains this common disorder and its treatments. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Roach — No. 5044, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for $4.75 U.S./$6 Canada with the recipient’s printed name and address. Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. ROACH:
Have you ever heard of someone with sleep apnea outgrowing the need of a breathing aid, such as CPAP? — G.S.

ANSWER:
Most cases of sleep apnea are due to obstruction of the airway, caused by the relaxation of muscles in the back of the throat. Excess weight and obesity are the major risk factors for sleep apnea, but it can happen in normal-weight people. It is more common in older people, and men are at higher risk than women. Almost any condition can go away by itself, but in nearly every case of obstructive sleep apnea getting better without a specific treatment that I have seen, it has been associated with significant weight loss. It doesn’t have to be extreme weight loss. Since alcohol can make sleep apnea worse, stopping alcohol occasionally is enough to get it under control. I also recently mentioned singing exercises as a therapy for OSA, in addition to oral devices, CPAP or BiPAP devices, and surgery. Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them into the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to T oY ourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu. To view and order health pamphlets, visit www.mhmanmail.com, or write to Good Health, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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SUNDAY SCRAMBLER

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag.

Answer key located in this edition

In the box:
Cheese
Lamb
Shape
Red
Army
Green

Today’s word: "salesman!"

“...I used to think he was a musician, too — but then I found out that he’s...salesman!”

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