PUZZLES

Trivia Time

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- 1. Which Major League Baseball manager holds the career record for both wins and losses?
- 2. On what article of United States currency can you find a likeness of Jean Baptiste Charbonneau?
- 3. At the end of the 2000 movie, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, Cindy Lou Who was sitting at the circular dining table, and she passed a plate of what to the Grinch's dog, Max?
- 4. "Iron Eyes Cody" was also known as the "Crying Indian" in the *Keep America Beautiful* public service announcements in the early 1970s. He appeared in over 200 films during his long career of playing American Indian roles. What was his actual ethnicity?
- 5. What is the name of a well-known edible food item which, when its name is translated, means "twice cooked"?
- 6. What would you measure with a Brannock Device?
- 7. What female name is currently being used in popular social media outlets to describe a woman who is perceived as entitled or demanding beyond the scope of what is appropriate or necessary?
- 8. What country is geographically closest to the United States without touching the US?
- 9. What aspect do O'Hare Airport in Chicago and Will Rogers Airport in Oklahoma City share that no other US airport can claim?
- 10. What is the next year that is divisible by four (with no remainder) that will not have a leap day?

(Answers can be found in the *Solutions* section at the back of this issue.) Ω

SOLUTIONS

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- 1. Connie Mack. He had 3,731 wins and 3,948 losses with the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Philadelphia Athletics in his 50+ years of managing.
- 2. The Sacagawea one-dollar coin. It has the likeness of Sacagawea holding her son, Jean Baptiste Charbonneau.
- 3. Green eggs and ham.
- 4. Italian. He was an Italian-American born as Espera Oscar de Corti in 1904 in Kaplan, Louisiana, the son of Francesca Salpietra from Sicily and her husband, Antonio de Corti from Southern Italy. Before he changed his name, he was known as Tony Corti. "Iron Eyes Cody" claimed his father was Cherokee and his mother Cree.
- 5. Biscuit, from the old French word, "bescuit." It is derived from the Latin words, *bis*, meaning "twice," and *coctus*, meaning "cooked."
- 6. Shoe size.
- 7. Karen.
- 8. Russia. Big Diomede Island, owned by Russia, is 2.5 miles from Little Diomede Island, Alaska.
- 9. Both airports were named for victims of airplane crashes.
- 10. The year 2100. The rule of leap years is that if the year can be divided by 100, it is not a leap year unless it can also be evenly divisible by 400. The year 2000 was a century leap year, but the next century leap year to have a leap day of February 29 will be 2400. Ω