



Becketwood Breeze

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Wes Skoglund, Becketwood Ski Instructor

Wes Skoglund put on downhill skis for the first time about twenty years ago when he was 55. “My daughters took me over to the bunny slope,” Wes recalled. “They left me there and told me I was on my own. “Somehow, I got up the hill on the lift, and came back down on the hill on the skis. I can’t remember how I did it.”

Twenty years later, Wes is still skiing. These days, he is on the slopes a lot, at least he was before the pandemic. Now, at the age of 75, Wes works part time at Hyland Hills as a ski instructor for middle schoolers with special needs.

For the new Becketwood Member, who moved here last July with his wife, Linda, his winter-time gig combines his enthusiasm for skiing with his earlier work as a special education teacher in metro-area public schools. Special education represented a second career for Wes, who served in the Minnesota State Legislature for nearly 30 years before retiring in 2006.

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As a special needs ski instructor, Wes works with youngsters facing a broad range of cognitive and physical disabilities. “Some are autistic, others face serious physical challenges such as multiple sclerosis and muscular dystrophy,” he explains. For young people who are mobility impaired, Wes and a partner can tether them down the hill on specially designed chairs equipped with skis. “We give them a chance to be real kids and have some fun outdoors. That’s something they don’t get to do very often.”



Don't ever go mask free

To the tune of

DON'T SIT UNDER THE APPLE TREE

Don't you ever go face mask free
With anybody else but me
With anybody else but me
no, no, no,
don't you ever go face mask free
Till we are safely home

Till we get one of those vaccines
two or three

Don't ever go face mask free
ever go face mask free
ever go face mask free
no, no, no,

Till we get one of those vaccines
two or three

We'll only stay safely home.

John Fenn

Unwinding in the Stairwells.

As the weather turns colder, are you walking the halls more? And as you go from floor to floor have you felt a little dizzy? It may not be you; it may be the stairs. As you climb from floor to floor, the stairwells turn clockwise at each floor. Depending on how fast you climb or descend you could feel wound up. To unwind all you need to do is to change directions. Or take stairwell D which turns counterclockwise.

In the town of Seneca

They'll choose AstraZeneca

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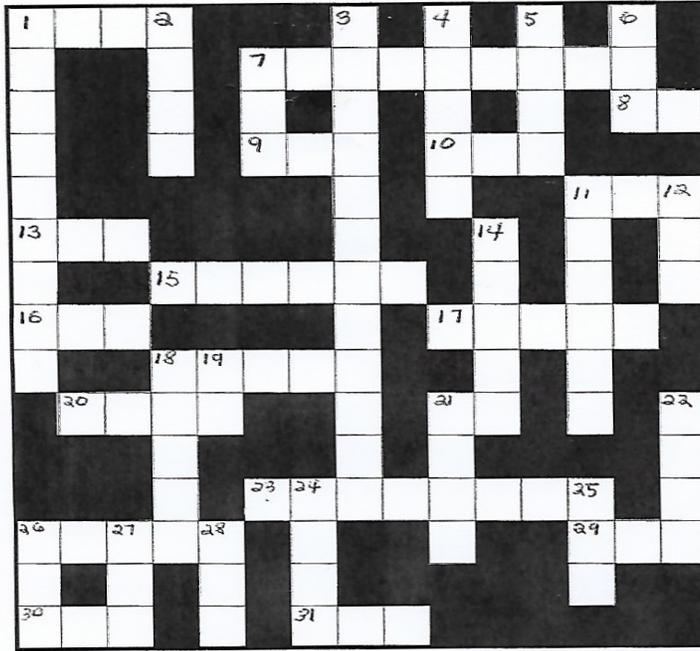
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Ruth Gaylord's Crossword Puzzle



Down

Across

1. Governor of MN
7. Thanks
8. Answer to a bad offer
9. Chart
10. A racked deer
11. Never used
13. Cut the lawn
15. The owl that comes to Becketwood
16. A place to build
17. 2020 pandemic
18. Hip guy
20. Plans good parties
21. Act
23. Pleasant place for a walk at Becketwood
26. Device for making cider
29. Latin for "hello"
30. Spanish Aunt
31. Sprouts from acorns

1. One way to get to Minnehaha Falls
2. Gatherings during a pandemic
3. A greeting on December 31
4. President-elect
5. Please do not recycle
6. Lion's lair
7. Shapely leg
11. United States of America
12. "___ is me!"
14. Governor of NY
18. 2.8 mile round trip for food
19. Top U.S. prosecutor (abbrev)
21. Newest Becketwood committee
22. "Auld Lang _____"
24. "Cogito ____ Sum."
25. 1.6 miles from Becketwood
26. former Becketwood Board president
27. Equal Rights Amendment (abbrev)
28. To make COVID masks you need to

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I am an early riser
So I'll get the Pfizer



But my good friend Myrna
Will wait for Moderna

"Watch out. It's deeper than it looks."