

THE PUBLIC SERVICE PUZZLER

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ETHICS ADVENTURERS, ASSEMBLE!

This month's *Public Service Puzzler* pays homage to the #1 Most Played Government Ethics-themed Tabletop Roleplaying Game in the WORLD: *Escape from the Dinkins Building*— now available from the [New York City Conflicts of Interest Board](#). Whether playing with a group of your friends and coworkers or just reading the hilarious instructions for fun, [Escape from the Dinkins Building](#) is an ethical adventure for all ages and attributes! There's never been a better time to simultaneously learn ethics *and* roleplay as a magical gnome! See for yourself today! Or maybe save it for after the *Puzzler*, because this month's cryptic conundrum will almost certainly leave you scratching your wizarding cap:



Arthur and Beowulf head down to Ye Olde Municipal Tavern after a hard day's work to meet other public servants and discuss their absolute favorite book: [Chapter 68 of the New York City Charter](#) (now available in Scroll + Grimoire). Soon, they meet Calliope, who [has just booked her training with the COIB](#) and is quite enthusiastic about government ethics! While making introductions, though, Calliope challenges Arthur and Beowulf to guess her birthday, giving them ten possible dates to choose from:

May 15, May 16, May 19
June 17, June 18
July 14, July 16
August 14, August 15, August 17

Calliope then tells Arthur the *month* she was born. She tells Beowulf the *day*. Arthur replies, “**I don’t know when Calliope’s birthday is, but I know Beowulf doesn’t know either!**” Which causes Beowulf to state that “**at first I didn’t know when Calliope’s birthday was — but I know now.**” Finally, Arthur responds, “OK, well, then I also know when Calliope’s birthday is.”

So, when is Calliope’s birthday? [Send us a correct answer](#) by July 15th for a chance to be selected as winner and placed within the ring of honor that is **THE JONATHAN HOFFMAN + PETER KONTOGIANNIS HALL OF ETHICS AND EXCELLENCE**, alongside such ethics heroes as **JACK SHVARTS, Assistant Principal at the Academy of Hospitality and Tourism at Erasmus Hall!** His perfect response to last month’s *Puzzler* makes him our current champion. But next month? You!

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