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Brown v. Board of Education: A Fight for Simple Justice by Susan Goldman Rubin

On the Web:

- bit.ly/2IIK54e

At the library:

- “Thurgood Marshall” by Carla Williams

Cook’s Corner

Salmon and Pasta Salad

You’ll need:

- 8 ounces elbow macaroni, cooked and drained
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- 2 medium dill pickles, diced
- 2 (5-ounce) cans salmon, drained and chopped
- 1/2 cup reduced-fat mayonnaise
- salt and pepper to taste

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Words that remind us of Thurgood Marshall are hidden in some of these words. Some words are backward, and some letters are used twice. See if you can find:

ARGUE, ASSOCIATE, BALTIMORE, CANADIAN, CONSTITUTION, COURT, INTEGRATE, JUSTICE, LAWYER, MARSHALL, OVAL OFFICE, SEGREGATED, STEWARD, SUPREME, TEACHER, THURGOOD, TOPEKA, UNIFIED

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