Several games can be played on these geometries and will be the subject of a future article in Word Ways. Meanwhile an interesting puzzle can be had by asking someone to form the 4x4 square whose rows and columns form DOUBLES MATCH and whose main diagonals each contain words of a unique vowel. There are several solutions but they are not easy to find without noticing the chess piece scheme.

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Most people, when they think of May,
Think baskets, poles, Memorial Day.
But we know better, we offbeat ones,
We lovers of oddities, jokes and puns.

‘Cause we now meet, with some sobriety
Once more to salute our Odd Topics Society!