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Everybody's Talking!

Animal alternative: A shimmering green parrot suddenly appears in the ring, followed by an elephant family thundering past an astonished crowd, but none of it is real. Germany's Roncalli Circus replaced live animals with holograms, using high-resolution projections and mesh screens to create vivid illusions. The idea emerged from the growing use of holographic performances in entertainment, where digital recreations often take center stage. Mounting concerns about animal welfare, along with the challenge of housing creatures while on tour, led the circus to explore this alternative. Instead of asking what is missing, this circus asks what is possible. Some guests leave smiling, unsure what was more magical: the circus or what it chose to leave behind.

Sacred climb: Mount Tai in Tai'an, China, is revered as a bridge between earth and sky, and has drawn pilgrims and poets for centuries. Though not among China's tallest peaks, the path to its summit demands spirit, winding more than 6,000 stone steps upward. Hikers can start at the Red Gate, passing incense-filled temples and ancient stone tables while climbing through forests. Many pause at midway stations or take the cable car, but the most determined can follow in the steps of emperors to reach the peak. Jade Emperor Peak rewards sunrise seekers with sweeping views, often shared with hundreds gathered at the top. Mount Tai's towering presence inspires the feeling that the world, from above, looks very small.

Border puzzle: In the town of Baarle, where Belgium and the Netherlands meet, the border isn't a straight line—it's a maze. Streets, houses, and even buildings are split between the two countries, with white crosses on the ground showing where one ends and the other begins. Some people sleep in one country and cook breakfast in the other. The confusion began long ago, when land was divided between noble families, and it took centuries to settle the details. Locals deal with mixed rules, double services, and two of almost everything. Visitors come to see the odd layout, but for those who live here, it's about working together and solving everyday problems across a dotted line.

Laugh line: A vintage pay phone with a twist is bringing back dial tones and punchlines in Washington, D.C. (U.S.). Instead of just making calls, this sidewalk fixture also tells knock-knock jokes, shares fun facts, and delivers cheerful thoughts, all triggered by the press of a button. Rewired and reimagined by a local teacher, the phone uses a small computer and home wi-fi to run its light-hearted programming and keep things fresh. Kids walking by often stop to giggle or to surprise their parents with an unexpected call. While smartphones dominate daily life, this throwback gadget offers a reminder that simple ideas can still connect people. It's not just nostalgia—it's community, with a dial tone.

Quoteable Quotes

"My goal is to build a life I don't need a vacation from."
—Rob Hill Sr.

"The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain!"
—Dolly Parton

What's Happening

Nov. 21ST-Dec. 24TH: Photos with Santa at The Crossroads, The Crossroads Mall, Portage, 11-7PM.

Nov. 22ND: Holiday Farmers Market, Texas Township Farmer's Market, 7110 W. Q Ave., Kalamazoo, 8AM.

Nov. 22ND: 2025 Holiday Craft Show, Kalamazoo County Expo Center, Kalamazoo, 9-5PM.

Nov. 22ND: Maple Hill Holiday Parade, Downtown Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo, 11AM.

Nov. 22ND: Winter Workshop at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum, Kalamazoo, 11-2PM.

Nov. 22ND: Kellogg Manor House Holiday Market, Hickory Corners, 11-4PM.

Nov. 22ND: Christmas Craft Fair & Tack Sale, Lawton Evangelical Church, Lawton, 9-3PM.

Trivia

1. Mancala is a board game that originated on this continent.
2. What type of tree produces acorns?
3. Is a group of flamingos called a flock, flutter, or flamboyance?
4. This is the only mammal capable of true flight.
5. What part of the body does a snake use to smell?

(Flip bottom of page for answers)


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6 pork chops
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2 cups Italian-style seasoned bread crumbs
1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
2. Rinse pork chops, pat dry, and season with garlic powder and seasoning salt to taste. Place the beaten eggs in a small bowl. Dredge the pork chops lightly in flour, dip in the egg, and coat liberally with bread crumbs.
3. Heat the oil in a medium skillet over medium-high heat. Fry the pork chops 5 minutes per side, or until the breading appears well browned. Transfer the chops to a 9x13 inch baking dish, and cover with foil.
4. Bake in the preheated oven for 1 hour. While baking, combine the cream of mushroom soup, milk and white wine in a medium bowl. After the pork chops have baked for an hour, cover them with the soup mixture. Replace foil, and bake for another 30 minutes.
source: allrecipes.com

Your Weekly Horoscopes

ARIES

(March 20 – April 19)



Last week you may have found important information emerging from your unconscious. This pattern could continue. Again, consider if you need to adjust your view. Lucky numbers: 10, 11, 25, 35, 42, 43.

TAURUS

(April 20 – May 20)



You may be feeling irritated, with a desire to break free of restrictions. This dynamic needs to be honored, but be sure to give yourself time to create a good plan for change. Lucky numbers: 4, 5, 6, 17, 28, 37

GEMINI

(May 21 – June 20)



Six months have passed since your birthday. Did you set a new set of goals then? If you did, now is a good time to evaluate your progress and make changes as needed. Lucky numbers: 9, 17, 27, 36, 44, 45.

CANCER

(June 21 – July 22)



You may have a number of opportunities now. But if you must close the deal in the next few weeks, double check the details and verify that everyone is in agreement. Lucky numbers: 7, 14, 18, 24, 33, 40.

LEO

(July 23 – Aug. 22)



Over the next month, you may receive an energy boost that could help you accomplish your objectives. But be sure that the result is a win-win for all involved. Lucky numbers: 14, 25, 28, 32, 42, 45.

VIRGO

(Aug. 23 – Sept. 22)



Your normally disciplined manner may feel disrupted over the next month. Rather than fighting against it, could you be more flexible, even if it feels uncomfortable? Lucky numbers: 8, 16, 22, 27, 34, 36.

LIBRA

(Sept. 23 – Oct. 22)



Libras can sometimes sweep issues under the rug for the sake of keeping the peace. However, early this week may be time for truth telling in service to positive change. Lucky numbers: 6, 16, 22, 28, 33, 46.

SCORPIO

(Oct. 23 – Nov. 21)



There is a great wave of energy now, but your ability to harness it over time could be deceptive. You might want to resist the temptation to take action right now. Lucky numbers: 2, 17, 20, 32, 38, 42.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22 – Dec. 21)



Your birthday month is a good time to review what you have accomplished in the last year. What worked and what didn't? What new goals do you want to set? Lucky numbers: 3, 9, 17, 40, 42, 46.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 – Jan. 19)



The energy at the end of the week is well grounded. How do you want to apply it? You might be able to use it to advance a project that you need to complete. Lucky numbers: 13, 17, 25, 32, 40, 48.

AQUARIUS

(Jan. 20 – Feb. 18)



You may have an opportunity to dig deep into your psyche and unearth something needing release. Take advantage of it to avoid a more difficult transformation later. Lucky numbers: 5, 8, 23, 24, 32, 48.

PISCES

(Feb. 19 – March 20)



The feeling of urgency you may have had several weeks ago may return now. Take a deep breath and focus on what you realistically can accomplish. Then get to work. Lucky numbers: 1, 6, 7, 13, 18, 30.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favor Leo winners with the luckiest number being 25.

Did You Know...

Star catcher: Built into a natural hollow, China's 500-meter (1,640-ft.) radio telescope is too massive to move. Its giant metal dish gathers signals from deep space, helping scientists discover distant stars, and maybe even hints of life beyond our planet.

Bug countdown: Some of the large, loud insects called cicadas spend 17 years underground before surfacing all at once. During that stretch, they stay busy as nymphs, feeding on tree roots. When the soil warms to the right temperature, they rise up to sing and mate.

Backing band: The music group best known for “Africa” didn't just top charts on their own. They also backed Michael Jackson on *Thriller*. Members of Toto contributed to much of the iconic album, lending their musicianship to tracks like “Beat It” and “Human Nature.”

Language layers: In Papua New Guinea, more than 800 languages are spoken across its rugged mountains and scattered islands. Isolated villages have developed their own ways of speaking over time, making this Pacific nation the most linguistically diverse on the planet.

Stage glow: The phrase “in the limelight” comes from a bright stage light once made by heating quicklime, a type of calcium compound. It lit up performers long before electric bulbs took over. The expression still shines today.

On the Lighter Side

A monster with a drip dry suit is called a wash-and-were-wolf.

We were going to tell you a swimming joke, but it was too watered down.

Patient: “I'm here for my liver.”

Doctor: “Sorry, I don't have it.”

Knock! Knock! *Who's there?* Otter. *Otter who?* You otter open the door and let me in.

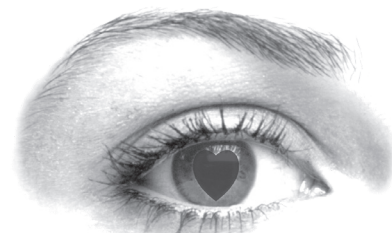
What do you need to know to be an auctioneer? Lots.

Answers

Trivia answers: 1. Africa 2. Oak 3. Flamboyance 4. Bats 5. Tongue

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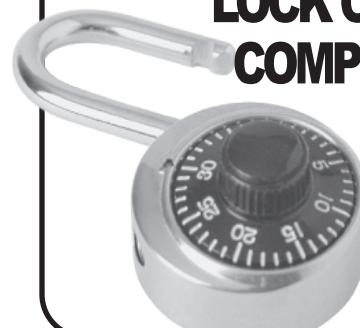
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