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Pacifico's US Open of Surfing



2022 Challenger Series Champ
Leonardo Fioravanti.
Tony Heff//World Surf League

The World Surf League (WSL) just released its Challenger Series (CS) schedule for the 2023 season. The schedule features the following six events:

- Boost Mobile Gold Coast Pro presented by GWM (Queensland, Australia): May 6 – 13, 2023
- GWM Sydney Surf Pro Presented by Bonsoy (New South Wales, Australia): May 17 – 24, 2023
 - Ballito Pro Presented by O'Neill (KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa): July 2 – 9, 2023
 - US Open of Surfing presented by Pacifico (Huntington Beach, USA): July 29 – August 6
- EDP Vissla Pro Ericeira presented by Estrella Galicia (Ericeira, Portugal): October 1 – 8, 2023
 - Corona Saquarema Pro (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil): October 14 – 21, 2023

The six-event 2023 CS schedule is essentially a replica of 2022, except for one glaring omission: Haleiwa.

It's a curious decision by the WSL after the huge success of Haleiwa capping off the CS in 2022. John John Florence came back from injury and mopped up the competition in pumping right handers, scoring a perfect 10 in the final and suddenly making the Challenger Series can't-miss TV.

However, Haleiwa will not get a chance to repeat that success in 2023. The event has been changed to a regional QS to create more opportunity for the Hawaii/Tahiti Nui region surfers.

"The main piece of feedback I've received from the surfers is around making the whole qualification pathway really strong – including at the regional level," WSL Chief of Sport Jessi Miley-Dyer told The Inertia. "It's important to us that we also ensure (the surfers from the Hawaii/Tahiti Nui region) have a strong regional pathway and some really good opportunities to compete on the championship tour."

To put things in perspective, looking at the current WSL Qualifying Series schedule prior to the addition of Haleiwa, the Hawaii/Tahiti Nui region currently has three events (and only two for women). When you contrast that to the other regions you can see the disparity that led to the aforementioned surfer feedback.

Including all the tentatively scheduled events, the South American region has 13 QS events, North America has nine, Australia/Oceania has seven, Europe has six, Asia four, and

Africa just two.

There were reports that the Haleiwa event was rumored to be axed (or downgraded) due to difficulty in securing sponsorships. The fact that Vans recently pulled out of their nearly decade-long title sponsorship of the US Open only added fuel to the rumors.

However, this is a claim that Miley-Dyer was quick to refute as "just not true."

"I can't speak to what has been reported on (some other) website, but we've had great partners and continue to do so for 2023," said Miley-Dyer.

So with a nearly identical schedule as 2022, it begs the question, is this the schedule we'll see every year? What factors are considered when selecting where to hold these CS events?

"It's important that we have a mixture of our regions, to make a tour that stands alone, and to have a really competitive product," said Miley-Dyer. "When you think about things that make events great, in Brazil we have this amazing history, especially recently with the energy of the crowds that come to watch our surfers. It makes sense to qualify our surfers somewhere like that where we have this energy and synergy with the local community."

"We're always looking at new competition locations," added Miley-Dyer. "Narrabeen is a new one. That's a pretty good example of ways that we're continuing to look at spots that have been important to pro surfing."

Aside from the schedule, there will be other key changes to the CS in 2023 that include:

Less surfers so events can take advantage of swell windows: Men's field will drop from 96 to 80, women's field will drop from 64 to 48.

CT surfers who made the mid-season cut are not required to compete on the CS (CT surfers had to compete in two events in the past; this accounts for much of the reduction in the number of athlete slots per event).

The 12 men and seven women who don't make the CT cut will automatically qualify for all Challenger Series events.

TITO NEWS

FORMER UFC LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION VOWS TO MAKE CAPE CORAL GREAT AFTER MOVING FROM HUNTINGTON BEACH

By Giancarlo Aulino

A former UFC light heavyweight champion has decided to move from Huntington Beach, California, in favor of relocating to Cape Coral, Florida.

UFC Hall of Famer Tito Ortiz opened up about his decision to move to Cape Coral after representing Huntington Beach throughout his MMA career and even as an elected politician. While speaking with FOX4 News, he shared that the relief efforts following Hurricane Ian factored into his decision to move from Huntington Beach, where he has been synonymous with as even adopting it for his nickname, 'The Huntington Beach Bad Boy,' to Cape Coral. He said:

"I really didn't know what I was getting myself into...You could just see everyone was deflated. Everyone felt defeated."

Ortiz added that the way the community rallied together during a difficult time gave him hope. The former MMA fighter-turned-politician mentioned that it gave him more hope that the country as a whole is still capable of doing the same, saying:

"It gave me hope...It gave me hope, that you know what, America is still alive. America is still together. It's here in Florida, here in Cape Coral that opened my eyes to the situation."



UFC 250: Nunes vs Spencer

It appears as though the 'The Huntington Beach Bad Boy' will be content with the move as his friendship and support for former US President Donald Trump is well documented.

How many UFC title defenses did Tito Ortiz have?

Tito Ortiz was one of the most successful champions during his reign as UFC light heavyweight champion.

'The Huntington Beach Bad Boy' successfully retained his title on 5 occasions and was regarded as one of the top pound-for-pound fighters during his reign. He won the vacant light heavyweight championship in April 2000 after earning a unanimous decision win over Wanderlei Silva and held the title until September 2003, when he lost a unanimous decision to Randy Couture.

His title reign saw him earn decisive wins over Yuki Kondo, Evan Tanner, Elvis Sinosic, Vladimir Matyushenko, and Ken Shamrock. Although he challenged then light heavyweight champion Chuck Liddell in 2006, he was unable to regain the title.

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El Niño Queues Up As Three-Peat La Niña Ends: What It Means To CA

California is riding the climate roller coaster, going from the worst drought in 1,200 years to atmospheric-river storm-fueled flooding.

Paige Austin, Patch Staff

CALIFORNIA — After enduring historic drought conditions exacerbated by three years of the La Niña weather phenomenon, California is finally free from her clutches, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said Thursday. However, El Niño may be looming, and with it, comes a whole new set of weather and climate challenges.

Unlike the typically dry years La Niña brings to California, El Niño tends to bring increased chances of torrential storms, flooding, mudslides and coastal erosion. It typically occurs every three to five years when surface water in the equatorial Pacific becomes warmer than average. This week, the World Meteorological Organization forecast a 55 percent chance of an El Niño developing heading into autumn.

El Niño spring forecasts are generally less reliable than ones made at other times of the year. However, like The World Meteorological Organization, the National Weather Service also sees a likelihood of an El Niño autumn in 2023. Climate scientist Michelle L'Heureux, head of NOAA's El Niño/La Niña forecast office, said there's a 60 percent chance that El Niño will take charge in the fall.

The end of the unprecedented "triple dip" La Niña is generally good news, especially in California, which is coming out of its worst drought in 1,200 years. Prone to wildfires and drought-stricken agricultural regions, large swaths of the state remain abnormally dry despite a parade of atmospheric river-fueled storms.

If the pattern flips to an El Niño, which scientists think could happen this summer or fall, more frequent rains could be beneficial.

The La Niña climate pattern is a natural cycle marked by cooler-than-average ocean water in the central Pacific Ocean. It is one of the main drivers of weather in the United States and around the world, especially during late fall, winter and early spring. It is the opposite of El Niño.

Scientists said the planet is now experiencing a "neutral" condition that should continue through spring. The lack of either a La Niña or El Niño means there will be no seasonal-scale influence from the Pacific Ocean to push around the global atmospheric circulation and influence seasonal climate patterns.

"It's over," research scientist Azhar Ehsan, who heads Columbia University's El Niño/La Niña forecast office, told The Associated Press. "Mother Nature thought to get rid of this one because it's enough."

This particular La Niña, which started in September 2020 but is considered three years old because it affected three different winters, was unusual and one of the longest on record. It took a brief break in 2021 but came roaring back with record intensity.

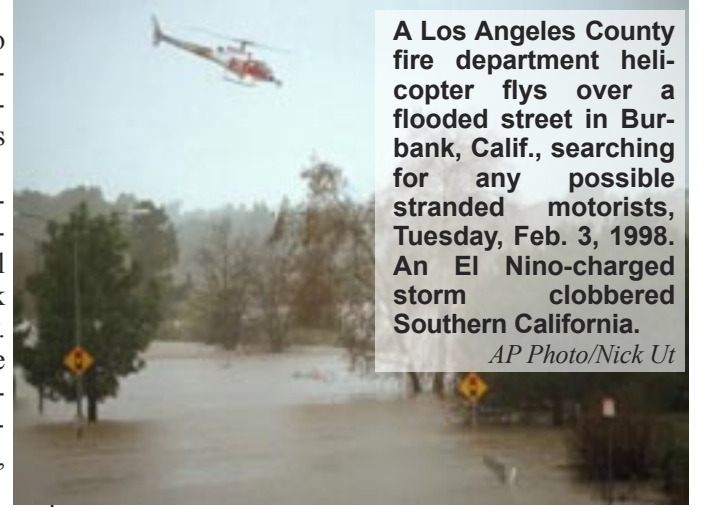
La Niña has also slightly dampened global average temperatures, keeping warming from breaking annual temperature records, while El Niño slightly turbocharges those temperatures, often setting records, scientists said.

Human-caused warming is like an escalator going up: It makes temperatures increase and extremes worse, while La Niña and El Niño are like jumping up and down on the escalator, according to Northern Illinois University atmospheric sciences professor Victor Gensini.

The 2015/16 El Niño was one of the strongest in 145 years, according to the California Coastal Commission. It brought to an end an extended period of drought in California. The most recent El Niño years occurred in 1980, 1983, 1987, 1988, 1992, 1995, 1998, 2003, 2007, 2010, 2016.

Without an El Niño or La Niña, forecasters have a harder time predicting seasonal weather trends for summer or fall because the Pacific Ocean has such a big footprint in weeklong forecasts.

There's also a 5 percent chance La Niña will return



A Los Angeles County fire department helicopter flies over a flooded street in Burbank, Calif., searching for any possible stranded motorists, Tuesday, Feb. 3, 1998. An El Niño-charged storm clobbered Southern California.

AP Photo/Nick Ut

for an unprecedented fourth dip. L'Heureux said she really doesn't want that, but the scientist in her would find that interesting.

The Associated Press contributed reporting.

Embrace the Surf City Life: Huntington Beach's Allure



Discover the vibrant lifestyle of Huntington Beach, California, with its pristine beaches, surf culture, and diverse dining.

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Huntington Beach, California, affectionately known as Surf City USA, offers a vibrant and exciting lifestyle for those fortunate enough to call it home. From world-class surf breaks and stunning beaches to diverse dining options and engaging activities, this coastal paradise has something for everyone. In this article, we'll delve into the many reasons why living in Huntington Beach is an unbeatable experience.

PRISTINE BEACHES

The picturesque coastline is undoubtedly one of the main attractions of Huntington Beach. With over ten miles of sandy shores, residents can enjoy sunbathing, beach volleyball, or simply taking a leisurely stroll by the water's edge. Huntington City Beach, Huntington State Beach, and Bolsa Chica State Beach are popular spots for soaking up the sun and catching some waves.

SURF CULTURE

Known as Surf City USA, Huntington Beach is a haven for surf enthusiasts. The city is home to the famous Huntington Beach Pier, where the annual US Open of Surfing takes place. Surf lessons and board rentals are available at local surf shops like HB Surf School and Zack's, ensuring everyone can experience the thrill of riding the waves.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Huntington Beach boasts a wealth of outdoor activities for all ages. The 18.5-acre

Huntington Central Park offers walking trails, picnic areas, and playgrounds, while the Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve provides a unique opportunity to explore California's wetlands and observe diverse wildlife. For the more adventurous, kayaking and paddleboarding are popular activities at Huntington Harbor.

DIVERSE DINING OPTIONS

Huntington Beach's culinary scene is both diverse and delicious. From fresh seafood at Duke's Huntington Beach to authentic Italian cuisine at Cucina Alessá, there's no shortage of mouthwatering options. For a sweet treat, head to The Funnel House for their famous funnel cakes, or sample artisanal ice cream at Hug Life.

SHOPPING AND ENTERTAINMENT

Residents of Huntington Beach can enjoy a wide variety of shopping and entertainment options. Bella Terra and Pacific City are popular shopping destinations, featuring a mix of well-known retailers and unique boutiques. The city also hosts numerous events throughout the year, such as the Huntington Beach Fourth of July Parade and the annual Surf City Nights street fair.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY ATTRACTIONS

Huntington Beach offers plenty of family-friendly attractions to keep everyone entertained. Adventure Playground, a unique outdoor play space, encourages children to engage with nature and use their imaginations. The International Surfing Museum showcases the history of surfing, while the Huntington Beach Art Center features rotating exhibits and workshops for budding artists.

EXCELLENT EDUCATION

Huntington Beach is served by the Huntington Beach City School District and Huntington Beach Union High School District, both of which are known for their strong academic programs and commitment to student success. The city is also home to Golden West College, a two-year community college offering various degree and certificate programs.

Huntington Beach, California, is a truly special place to live, offering a unique combination of beautiful beaches, a strong surf culture, diverse dining options, engaging outdoor activities, and excellent educational opportunities. The welcoming atmosphere and variety of attractions make this coastal paradise an exceptional place to call home. If you're considering a move to Southern California, Huntington Beach should definitely be on your radar.

There are four boxes to be used in defense of liberty: soap, ballot, jury, and ammo. Please use in that order.

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Dave Garofalo
Publisher

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DID YOU KNOW

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THE SAD TRUTH

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~ Will Rogers (1879- 1935)

WHY OLD MEN DON'T GET HIRED!



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Human Resources Manager:
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Old Man:
"Honesty."

Human Resources Manager:
"I don't think honesty is a weakness."

Old Man:
"I don't really give a sh*t what you think."

Sports Pictures from the PAST



CHICAGO CUBS BREAK THE CURSE
DATE: NOVEMBER 2, 2016

What made the moment: After more than 100 years of waiting and too many supposed curses to track, the Chicago Cubs exorcised their demons in 2016 and won the World Series. It took seven dramatic games, including an extra-inning win in the decisive Game 7, but when it was all said and done, the Cubs were finally champions.

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If Animals



COMEDY TALK

These crazy, ridiculous, and almost unbelievable statistics will make you question everything

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Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, HAWAII

Home to two of the most active volcanoes in Hawaii — Kilauea and Mauna Loa — Hawaii Volcanoes National Park draws millions of tourists each year and is the state's most treasured attraction. While Kilauea is undoubtedly a park highlight, Mauna Loa, the larger of the two volcanoes, towers 13,677 feet above the sea. According to National Geographic, measured from its base at 18,000 feet below sea level, Mauna Loa is taller than Mount Everest. And while it's exciting to see lava flow on a NatGeo documentary, Hawaii Volcanoes takes things to the next level by offering both self-guided lava viewing and guided lava viewing tours. Viewing conditions can change rapidly, so you'll have to check in with the park if you plan to go without a guide. If you can't quite catch the lava flow, there are still over 100 miles of hiking trails available, several of which pass through old lava tubes, lush rainforest and over old lava flows. Closed-toe shoes are sort of a given, but please hike responsibly and remember you're walking on an active volcano. The Volcano House, the only lodge in the park, offers 33 guest rooms, a dining room, snack bar, and shop. There are also rustic camper cabins and two campgrounds available to visitors. But even if you don't stay within the park, you're in Hawaii, so spectacular amenities aren't too far.



"Shelfstones slowly forming over time."

Interesting and Fascinating

Presidential Facts

Richard Milhous Nixon (1913-1994) was the first president to visit all 50 states and the first to visit China. He is the only president to resign.



Wikipedia.com

These Cameramen Captured More Than Expected

Finally Some Honesty

Geez, talk about political. How fired was this guy when word got back to the UN that posed for this picture? Not only is this not-so-diplomatic, his outfit doesn't match. Who's dressing these UN "peacekeepers?" Sheesh! It is hilarious how the photographer captured the image when the peacekeeper was standing right in front of the banner that displayed Involved in Peace. When the UN initials got unintentionally combined with the slogan pasted behind, the tagline changed for the worst as it became "Uninvolved Peacekeeping." This particular picture must have caused a dent in the already shaky reputation of the UN's self-proclaimed global peacekeeper. We haven't heard too many good things about UN peacekeeping efforts lately. Perhaps, the photographer wanted to reveal his true feelings for the international organization, which compelled him to not only capture this image but make it viral as well.



Rare Historical Photos Reveal More Than Immediately Meets The Eye

Elvis Presley eating breakfast with his father Vernon and his grandmother Minnie Mae in 1959.

It's wild to think about someone as musically important and fascinating as Elvis having parents, it would make more sense if he sprung from the head of Zeus like Athena. The King grew up in Mississippi with his parents, Vernon and Gladys, and together they all lived in low income housing until he purchased Graceland in 1957. Elvis moved the whole family in with him, which is just what good boys did when they made a lot of money. His mother passed away in 1958 which just left Elvis with his father his grandmother living in Graceland. As he was entering the military at this time Elvis had to keep his strength up, and luckily his grandmother was there to make sure he had all the biscuits and fried peanut butter sandwiches he needed.



Source: Reddit

Vintage Photograph



The Most Beautiful Suicide - Evelyn Mchale Leapt To Her Death From The Empire State Building, 1947

Robert C. Wiles Report

Biggest Boomtowns in Every State



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GoBankingRates / JORDAN ROSENFELD

Boomtown. The word sounds like it's describing an explosion — and in a way, it is. Boomtowns are considered the fastest-growing cities in America due to rapid business and population growth. An example of such a place is Woodbridge, Virginia, which saw massive five- and eight-year percentage changes in population at 863.35% and 840.66%, respectively.

But Woodbridge isn't the only boomtown out there. GOBankingRates found one in every state by looking at the one-, five- and eight-year changes in population, occupied housing units and owner-occupied housing units of cities with a population of more than 25,000 but less than 500,000. Find out if you're living in one of America's most thriving cities, and see if your city makes the list.

Colorado: Windsor

Change in population:

1 year: 35.02%
5 years: 51.14%
8 years: 65.98%

Change in occupied housing units:

1 year: 35.22%
5 years: 51.46%
8 years: 66.63%

Change in owner-occupied housing units:

1 year: 32.84%
5 years: 48.93%
8 years: 67.07%

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Chris MacDonald On the road in Surf City

The Local News

By Chris MacDonald, Writer/Photographer,
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Harry's Cafe Huntington Beach Unveils A New Mural

Have you been to Harry's Cafe at 6041 Bolsa Avenue in Huntington Beach? They are located at the corner of Springdale at Bolsa. The Owners Jose and Vanessa Murillo had an Idea to do a Local Mural that people would appreciate of the City and contacted Muralist Amy Fisher of OC Murals who did a very cool mural at Beach Family Doctors (Adams & Magnolia) in Huntington Beach where Vanessa's Mother works. They added lots of character to Harry's showcasing the true Huntington

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Muralist Amy Fisher Said: I like to make people smile with my work!

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Harry's Cafe Owners Jose Murillo, Vanessa Murillo and their White German Shepherd Puppy Chanel Murillo.

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Which Letter Does Not Appear On The Periodic Table Of Elements?

The periodic table of elements is well known across many different fields, from chemistry to biology and beyond. There is seemingly no end to the amount of useful information we can derive from it. However, not all letters are represented on the table; for example, there is no element with a symbol beginning with the letter "J". This may come as a surprise considering how many different elements exist, but it is simply because there are no elements whose atomic number starts with that letter

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Jaguar 'Mickey' Joins Large Mammal Exhibit At OC Zoo

The young jaguar is the fifth of four large cats currently held in the Orange County Zoo's Large Mammal Exhibit.

Miranda Ceja / Patch Staff

ORANGE COUNTY, CA — A young jaguar is the newest addition to the Orange County Zoo's Large Mammal Exhibit, and he joins four large cats already in the new section of the zoo.

Mickey, the 11-month-old jaguar, comes to the OC Zoo from the World Wildlife Zoo in Arizona months after his brother, Ziggy, debuted in the zoo's new habitat.

"We are thrilled to welcome Mickey, the newest jaguar, to the OC Zoo," Chairman Donald Wagner, Orange County Board of Supervisors, said in a news release. "The OC Zoo continues to offer a unique, enjoyable and affordable experience for

families. Since the opening of the Large Mammal Exhibit last year, the OC Zoo has drawn a record number of visitors, where people of all ages can see animals up close and learn about local wildlife."

Since its debut in May, the Large Mammal Exhibit marks the largest expansion project in the OC Zoo's history. The habitat provides a home for five large cats in a com-



OC Zoo Courtesy Photo

fortable, natural-looking environment.

The area also features artificial rock walls, climbing platforms, a waterfall and several viewing areas for the public. Residents can visit Mickey and the other large cats Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission into the OC Zoo is \$2 per person ages 3 years and over, and children

ages 2-years and under are free.

MOST EXPENSIVE Cars Owned by Richest Celebrities Will Numb Your Head

It seems nearly impossible to own a collection of fancy cars without having a 'Mercedes Benz' among them. Kanye West, with the impressively massive wealth to his name, could not resist buying a few of these German machines to add to his car fleet.

The 'Mercedes-Benz SLR Stirling Moss' is worth every single penny of the \$1.1 million that it is valued at. This set of wheels is not only a treat to the eye, it is incredibly fast and capable of accelerating from 0-60 Mph in just about 3 seconds. We can undoubtedly understand the captivating allure this car had on Kanye..

Kanye West – Mercedes-Benz SLR Stirling Moss, \$1.1 million



In What Year Was the Bikini Invented?



While bikinis are now a common sight at pools and beaches worldwide, they actually have not been around all that long.

The first bikini was invented in 1946, and more out of necessity than fashion. In

1946 Paris, France, and the rest of

the world were in the midst of a global textile shortage. The designer of the bikini, Louis Reard, created the bikini as both

the next step in swimwear fashion and as a means to produce more products while using less material. The model, Michelin Bernardini, was a former nude dancer.

Which U.S. City Hosted The 1996 Summer Olympics?

In 1996, the captivating city of Atlanta, Georgia hosted the momentous Summer Olympics, leaving an indelible mark on the pages of the sporting world. The event was a spectacular display of athleticism and unity as thousands of athletes from across the globe converged to showcase their skills and represent their countries. The city was transformed with Olympic fever, embracing the spirit of friendly competition amidst diverse cultures.



Book Review, "Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing"



By Ben Miles

Alcoholism, an opioid addiction, and a colostomy, too. Who would think that the sardonic wit-meister Chandler Bing of "Friends" fame would be so well portrayed by the substance addled Matthew Perry, a fine actor who suffered through these various tribulations and more? To read it is to believe it and credibility is the power beneath Mr. Perry's revelatory memoir, "Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing."

In his own words we learn of his family; his mother, Suzanne, served as press secretary to bon vivant Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, an all consuming role for her. His father, John, was the actor who performed as the handsome sailor on the old Old Spice television commercials. But these good looking, successful Canadians were unable to keep their marriage together. And Matthew spent much of his childhood traveling between his two parents, who lived a continent apart from one another. This left Matthew with profound feelings of abandonment and a life long inferiority complex.

The memoir not only gives insight into Mr. Perry's life and ever evolving mindset, it's also complete with acting tips and revelations. Doing a weekly sitcom, such as "Friends," for example, is akin to doing a one act play, culminating in a full performance, from start to finish, in front of a live audience. Film acting by contrast is typically shot out of order (for example, the last scene may be enacted before the first scene) and an actor, in

order to portray authentic emotion, must genuinely feel the emotion when that emotion is required in the charac-

Much of "Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing" is laced with Mr. Perry's anger. Nevertheless, the wisdom gained through his many (admittedly) self inflicted agonies does shine through many of the 250 pages of this memoir. A mantra from Alcoholics Anonymous is "One day at a time." And while Matthew Perry's addictive personality has resulted in a multitude of relapses, his skill and creativity as an actor, comedian, producer and playwright endures — Mr. Perry wrote the play "The End of Longing," which had a world premiere on London's West End in February of 2016.

After reading "Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing," this reviewer is made hopeful that Mr. Perry's genuine self assessment results in a continued state of creativity and sobriety, one day at a time. He owes it to himself and to his legion of devotees.

What: Book, "Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing."

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terization; not easy, especially when filmed out of sequence.

We also learn of Mr. Perry's intense libido, his chain smoking habit, his many relapses into substance abuse, his tenuous success with hypnotherapy and his dental catastrophe (his front teeth dislodged after biting into a piece of peanut buttered toast).

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THEATER

Most Iconic Moments in History



The Three Stooges With Park Rangers, 1969

How would you like to travel all over the world with The Three Stooges? That was the concept of Kook's Tour, a planned TV series that would star the aging slapstick-comedy actors. In 1969, Moe Howard (born 1897) Larry Fine (born 1902) and "Curly" Joe DeRita (born 1909) visited Yellowstone National Park to shoot footage for the series pilot, and while they were there they snapped a few photos with park rangers.

The filming of Kook's Tour was interrupted when Larry Fine suffered a stroke in January 1970. The show's fate was uncertain as producers and the other Stooges waited to see whether Fine would recover. Unfortunately, the stroke proved to be the end of Fine's acting career, as well as that of the Stooges and the Kook's Tour project. The existing footage was edited into a 52-minute "pilot" (a pilot for a series that could never happen) and released on Super 8 film in 1975, the same year Larry Fine died.

Source: Reddit

On the Vine or Nearby

The Right Way to Order a Martini

First lesson: There isn't one

by Audrey Morgan

Let's get this out of the way: No matter how you order your Martini, you may get a strikingly different cocktail at two different bars. The drink is heavily based on personal preference, technique, and the skill of the person making it—that's going to be the case whether you ask for it "bone-dry" or "filthy."

"The best part of Martinis is how customizable they are," says Samantha Casuga, head bartender at Temple Bar in New York City.

To understand what makes the combination of spirit and dry vermouth so versatile, it's helpful to think about the Martini's history. Although its exact origins are murky, the traditionally gin-based cocktail originated as a much sweeter drink in the late 1800s, when sweet Italian vermouth was used. By the turn of the century, dry vermouth had replaced sweet, and by 1905, a "Dry Martini" may have included equal parts gin and dry vermouth.

How to Pick The Right Amount of Vermouth in a Martini

Dry vermouth is a fortified wine that adds gentle aromatics to a Martini. "It's a very subtle thing but it goes a long way," says Pomajzl.

The amount of vermouth used can vary widely. When ordering a Gin Martini, you can typically expect a spirit-to-vermouth ratio that ranges anywhere from a classic 2:1 (as at Spoon & Stable, Swift & Sons, and Temple Bar) to 5:1 (as it's made at Bernie's Restaurant in Brooklyn, New York). However, the house recipe at some establishments, particularly older bars or steakhouses, may lean even drier.

At Bemelmans Bar in New York City, which makes more than 1,000 Martinis a night, the ratio is 7:1, according to bar manager Dimitrios Michalopoulos. The legendary Musso & Frank Grill in Los Angeles takes it a step further. There, a standard Martini order will

get you a dry gin or vodka cocktail without a touch of vermouth, says general manager and wine director Andrea Scuto.

Vodka Martinis and Dirty Martinis may also omit the vermouth, as at Spoon & Stable. "Generally, we have found that the folks ordering those styles of drinks prefer no or little vermouth," says Pollak.

If you're not sure what you prefer, Pollak recommends that newcomers start with a 50/50 Martini, which contains equal parts spirit and dry vermouth, or a Dirty Martini if you enjoy olives. "The saltiness of the brine softens the burn of the alcohol, so it feels less spirit-forward and a little more entry-level," she says.

Should a Martini be Stirred or Shaken? It's Not That Simple

As a rule of thumb, cocktails with only spirits and liqueurs, like the Martini or Manhattan, are stirred rather than shaken, for several reasons. These drinks don't include ingredients that require aeration, like fruit juices or egg whites. Stirring also dilutes the cocktail less than shaking, and in a more controlled way, which "maintains the rich texture of the spirit," says Pollak.

However, stirred Martinis aren't gospel. Shaking ultimately produces a colder cocktail more quickly, which you may find to be the most important factor if your base spirit has a neutral profile.

How to Pick Your Martini Garnish

Most bars or restaurants will ask which garnish you'd prefer: a lemon twist or an olive. Like the spirit, it's a decision that comes down to personal preference.

"Gin with lemon is just a great combination," says Pomajzl.

There's also no shame in asking for both. Both Casuga and Pollak opt for an olive and a lemon twist when they're drinking Martinis. "The twist adds a lovely bright aroma over the cocktail and livens it up, while an olive adds a touch of salinity and it's a satisfying little treat to enjoy as you sip your Martini," says Pollak.

Decoding Common Martini Styles

With so much variation to the drink, a veritable dictionary of shorthand has emerged to help answer the age-old Martini question, "How would you like it?" Here are some of the most common Martini terms—though bear in mind that exact specifications will vary from establishment to establishment.

50/50

This style, which is what many Martinis looked like in the early 1900s, is made in equal parts. It consists of 50% spirit mixed with 50% dry vermouth.

Bone-dry

This order will generally get you a Martini with no vermouth.

Dirty

In its most classic form, a Dirty Martini adds olive brine to the standard Martini recipe. Some places, such as Bemelmans and Musso & Frank's, will split the dry vermouth and

olive brine, substituting a portion of the vermouth with an equal amount of brine. Other bars, including Spoon & Stable and Temple Bar, replace the vermouth entirely with brine. Dirty Martinis are often (but not always) made with vodka as the primary spirit, and shaken.

Dry

A Dry Martini contains less dry vermouth than a standard Martini. Ratios can vary wildly, but you can generally expect your bartender to decrease the amount of vermouth and sometimes increase the spirit, resulting in a ratio of anywhere from 5:1 to 8:1 spirit-to-vermouth.

Extra-dirty (or filthy)

This Martini style simply has more olive brine than a Dirty Martini, often in a ratio that surpasses a classic Martini's specifications for the amount of dry vermouth. You can expect anywhere from an ounce to a half-ounce of brine. Temple Bar takes it a step further, with a house recipe that calls for equal parts spirit and brine.

Extra-dry

An Extra-dry Martini will have an even smaller proportion of dry vermouth than a Dry Martini. At most places, you can expect your bartender to only rinse the glass with vermouth, or swirl a small amount of dry vermouth to coat the interior of the glass before tossing out any excess.

Gibson

A Gibson is simply a Martini garnished with a cocktail onion, rather than an olive or lemon twist. It will likely be made according to the same specs as a standard Martini, so if you'd like further tweaks, make sure to specify according to your preferred Martini ratios and style.

On the rocks

It's not a sin to order your Martini on the rocks, or served over fresh ice. This style may be ideal if you prefer a version of the drink that will last longer, since it maintains its cold temperature and dilutes over time, allowing the flavors to evolve. Be sure to specify this order, as Martinis are generally served up by default, and most bartenders won't ask.

Perfect

A Perfect Martini is generally made in a 2:1 spirit-to-vermouth ratio. However, the vermouth is further split into equal parts sweet and dry vermouth. The resulting drink is sweeter and more aromatic than a standard Martini. Pomajzl says the sweet vermouth gives the drink more body and notes of spice.

Reverse

A Reverse Martini flips the usual specs and typically contains two parts vermouth to one part gin or vodka. It's a good option if you're a fan of vermouths or are experimenting with artisanal vermouths whose flavors you'd like to give more prominence. It can also be a fantastic order for a less boozy drink, as in a lunch Martini.

Straight up

This term can vary, and is best to avoid in the context of Martinis. Some bartenders may take it to mean no vermouth, while others may interpret it as another way of saying "up." If you'd like your Martini with no vermouth, you're better off simply asking for no vermouth.

Up

"Up" means that the drink has been strained into a cocktail glass without ice. Martinis are almost always served up, so you generally don't need to specify this in your order.

Wet

A Wet Martini is heavier on the dry vermouth, meaning your bartender may bump the vermouth up by half an ounce or more. However, at places where Dry Martinis are the default, the specs for a Wet Martini may be the same as those of a standard Martini at other bars. At Spoon & Stable, the house Wet Martini employs Old Tom gin and blanc vermouth to produce a richer and slightly sweeter drink.

With a twist

Ordering your Martini with a twist will ensure that you receive a lemon peel as garnish, and indicates to the bartender that they should skip the olive.



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The Finest Vintage Cars of the 1960's Golden Age



1965 Chevrolet Impala SS hardtop coupe

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One response to the Pontiac GTO is the epic 1965 Chevrolet Impala SS hardtop coupe. Crashing through sales records, the 1965 iteration sold over one million Impalas. Rounded sides and a sharply angled windshield identified this model, strikingly different from the 1964 version. New trim included bodyside moldings, wheelhouse moldings, rear cover trim, and triple-stacked taillights and Super Sport (SS) fender and front grille script.

Inside, bucket seats, SS identification, and an electric clock and a snazzy instrument panel impressed. The best part, naturally, lay in its powertrain. It came standard with a 6-cylinder engine with overhead valves and the revered Hydra-Matic transmission. A 230 cu. in. motor generated 140 horsepower. Upgrading to the V-8 put 200 horsepower into your hands. If that was not enough for you, you could purchase the 400-horsepower option!

CA Gas Tax Bump Looms This Summer, Igniting Pushback

Californians are in for an 8 percent jump in gas taxes in July. Expiring exemptions and a switch to the summer blends may add to the pile.

Lucas Combos, Patch Staff

CALIFORNIA — California drivers are due to pay 8 percent higher gas taxes in July, and a partial exemption for diesel is set to expire in August, fanning concerns that prices at the pump could surge as high as \$7 this summer as companies switch to the pricier seasonal blend.

Late last year, Gov. Gavin Newsom also outlined a proposal to create financial penalties for "blatant price-gouging" when oil producers exceed certain profit margins.

Republican leaders this week renewed their call for Newsom to take action to address potential price surges before they hit this summer.

"As the saying goes, 'If it looks like a duck, and quacks like a duck, then it probably is a duck,'" said state Sen. Brian Jones, the Senate Minority Leader. "As Governor Newsom attempts to hide his efforts behind clever words, Californians will see [this] for what it really is — a gas tax increase amid record-high inflation and an economic downturn."

According to data from AAA, California's average gas price Friday was \$4.87. While down almost a full dollar from the same time last year, that figure outpaces the national average by about \$1.30. California's current gas tax ranks near the top among states, at 54 cents per gallon, trailing only Pennsylvania.

At the end of December, GasBuddy published its 2023 fuel outlook, expecting the national average would continue to decline this year — with a few big exceptions. While the firm estimated most major cities may hit \$4 per gallon in the summer, it warned places like San Francisco and Los Angeles could see prices soar toward \$7, "if refineries struggle under mandates of unique formulations of gasoline."

This week Jones resurfaced two of his Senate proposals, which seek to suspend California's tax increase and cut gas prices by up to \$1 per gallon. In a letter signed last month by a group of senators and assemblymembers, members of the Republican Caucus called on Newsom to scrap the proposed tax hike, extend the diesel exemption an extra year, and delay moving to the summer gasoline blend to reduce impacts on prices.

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Republicans are renewing calls for Gov. Gavin Newsom to consider steps to reduce the likelihood of soaring gas prices this summer.

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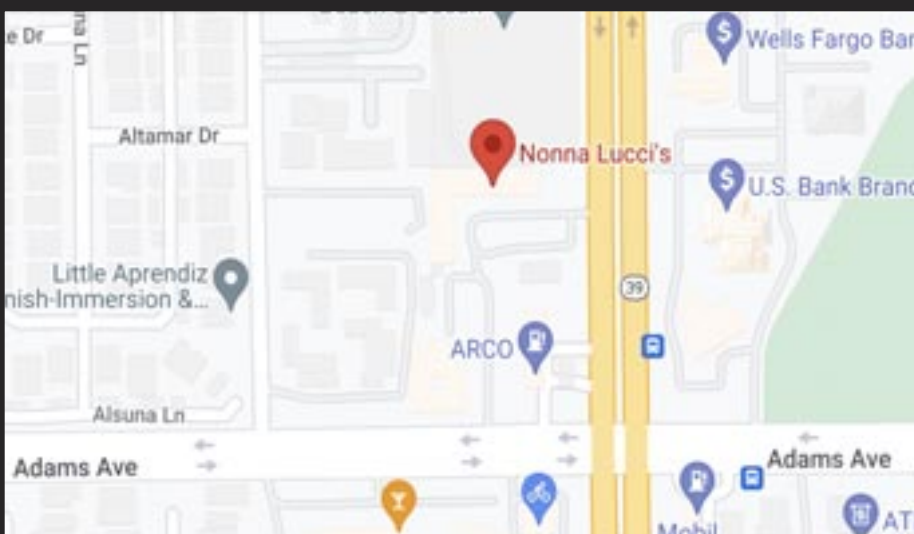
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The American Companies That Aren't Actually American Anymore

By Kate Prince/Business

Many brilliant companies – from Apple to Starbucks – have been founded in the United States, starting out as small ventures to become international leaders in their fields. However, the world of business isn't always as straightforward as it looks. Regardless of how well-rooted a company's American history is, it doesn't mean that it will always belong to Uncle Sam.

In fact, many quintessentially American brands are no longer American-owned at all. From Ben and Jerry's to IBM and Holiday Inn, overseas investors have played a big part in keeping these companies moving forward. Without them stepping in, some of them may have ceased to exist altogether.

American Girl

Original Headquarters: El Segundo, CA

Purchased By: Mattel

Country: China

American Girl dolls are super popular in America, and they are worth thousands of dollars today if you have the old, antique variations. American Girl dolls were made by Pleasant Company, a business founded in 1986 by Pleasant Rowland. The dolls were, initially, only available via mail order.

Once Mattel bought the brand in 1998, Pleasant Company's toys were more widely available. As demand increased, so did production. The dolls are now made in Germany. Their books are made in Wisconsin. The dolls' accessories (purses, hats, etc.) are made in China. The accessories and dolls are shipped in and assembled right in Wisconsin.

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Chevrolet

Original Headquarters: Detroit, MI

Purchased By: General Motors

Country: N/A

Chevrolet is one of the "Big Three" automakers, and it often touts the fact that it is America-made. While the company does assemble its cars in its famous Detroit, Michigan factories, its parts are often made in China.

Chevy makes a little over half of its parts overseas.

The Chevy Silverado, for example, has 46% American-made parts. The Chevy Colorado has 51% American-made parts. Chevy sells cars in all but nine countries. In South Korea, Chevy cars are especially popular, though they retailed under the brand "Daewoo Motors" until 2011. The most "American-made" car on Chevy's roster is the Corvette.

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Radio Flyer

Original Headquarters: Chicago, IL

Purchased By: Hasbro

Country: China

Radio Flyer is a toy company headquartered in Chicago. It is most famous for its red toy wagon, though it also makes toy horses, bikes, trikes, and ride-ons. The company has been around for over a century, and it has kept its founding location as its headquarters since its inception.

The toy company said in a 2004 interview that it was "a Chicago brand." Radio Flyer makes its scooters, tricycles, and most of its other toys in China. The exception is its plastic red wagon, which is made in Wisconsin. Radio Flyer also made the world's biggest wagon to celebrate its eightieth anniversary.

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Craftsman

Original Headquarters: New Britain, CT

Purchased By: Sears

Country: China, Taiwan

Craftsman tools can be found in stores like Lowe's, Sears, Home Depot, Walmart, and pretty much anywhere that home improvement products are located. Craftsman has factories in

America, but it also has outsourced some of its manufacturing to Taiwan and China. Sears, its parent company, made that call.

Sockets, wrenches, and ratchets are now made in Taiwan and China by Apex Tool Group, which contracts with Craftsman. Western Forge, another tool production company, has a contract with Craftsman as well. Western Forge makes its tools in America. So, overall, the production of the tools is split between the two continents.

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THE MOST FEARED WOMEN IN THE U.S.

BY SARAH CROCKER

What does it mean to be feared? Fear can encompass plenty of things, especially when we're talking about the highly complicated subject of feared people. Women, who have had to grapple with societies that often expect them to be compliant and to make as few waves as possible, tend to draw extra attention when they start alarming those around them. Of course, when we talk about feared women, there's the obvious target that centers on the array of murderers and criminals who have terrorized their fellow humans for eons. As history has shown with the likes of bloodthirsty folks such as Belle Gunness, women are more than capable of instilling dread and terror across an entire nation.

But "feared" women may also be ones who are considered to be inconvenient for their place and time, but who might win serious praise today. Some, such as the activist popularly known as Mother Jones, spoke out loudly for the rights of American workers, with little care for the sensibility of the higher-ups who benefited from the exploitation of laborers or other vulnerable people. Even more women have presented seriously complex figures, with actions that may earn them plaudits in some arenas and serious disapproval in others.

So, what does it take to be one of the most feared women in the United States? The answer varies widely depending on who we're talking about, but it's clear that none of the women discussed here were shy or retiring.

ELVIRA AND KATE BENDER



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Even before the truth of the Bender family's activities came to light, they had already made their neighbors in rural 19th-century Kansas pretty uncomfortable. According to CrimeReads, the first to arrive at the homestead in 1870 were John Bender, Sr. and his son, John, Jr. The father was apparently a German immigrant with limited English skills. The mother, Elvira (or Almira), was also poorly versed in English and was said to be supremely standoffish. Yet Kate, the 23-year-old daughter, was both pretty and charismatic. She also claimed that she could heal the sick and contact the departed.

The killings started in 1871, when men were found brutally murdered along the nearby Osage Trail, alongside a series of suspicious disappearances. CrimeReads has it that Dr. William Henry York followed up on his missing neighbors after hearing that they never arrived at their destination. After encountering the Benders on his search, York himself went missing.

But his brother, Alexander, wasn't about to let things go. He came across the Benders, too (via Slate). This time, the family skipped town. Searchers recovered about 11 remains from the cabin, orchard, and well. Though sightings of the family were reported at the time, they were never apprehended (half-fictionalized tales of people like Laura Ingalls Wilder notwithstanding). The four lived on in the horrified imagination of many Americans. Kate was especially terrifying, as an alluring, murderous young woman who could have been waiting to kill again in some other lonely place.

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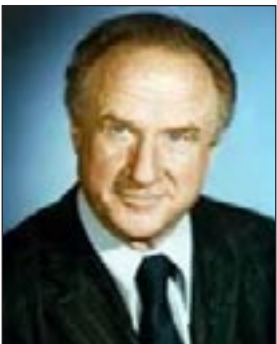
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Jack Warden, US Navy, 1938-1942, then US Army, 1942-1945. 101st Airborne Division.



Don Adams. US Marines. Wounded on Guadalcanal, then served as a Drill Instructor.



James Gregory, US Navy and US Marines.



Charles Durning. US Army. Landed at Normandy on D-Day Shot multiple times. Awarded the Silver Star and Bronze Star and three Purple Hearts. Survived Malmedy Massacre.



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Easter is about coming together with loved ones, enjoying beautiful spring weather and eating your family's favorite foods. The kids will be playing, adults will be chatting and all will be patiently waiting for the table to be set.

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While eyeing the table, you notice all the colors popping off the dishes. Fruits and veggies make the feast come to life, but a warm Easter dip paired with rolls for dipping is a perfect way to start the festivities.

These Easter Bunny Rolls with Spinach Dip are as eye-catching as they are delicious. Not only will the kids love its shape, but the layers of taste will wow your Easter crowd.

To make this recipe, start by combining a 16-

ounce package of frozen spinach, cream cheese and garlic in a skillet. Once heated, add mayonnaise, salt, onion powder, chili powder and Italian seasoning.

Add in Parmesan and mozzarella cheeses then stir until combined.

Next, roll out crescent rolls. Stretch the dough then cut into 24 rolls.

Form the bunny shape and scoop your spinach dip mixture into the center of the bunny and its ears. Sprinkle the spinach dip with mozzarella cheese before baking at 375 F for 18 minutes.

This dish is made for a crowd, served warm and full of cheesy goodness. You can watch as your family dips into the spinach and one-by-one, before you know it, the rolls will have disappeared and the dip will be devoured.

Find more Easter recipes at Culinary.net.



Watch video to see how to make this recipe!

Easter Bunny Rolls with Spinach Dip Serves: 24

- 16 ounces frozen spinach, thawed
- 8 ounces cream cheese
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/4 teaspoon chili powder

- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- 1 cup shredded Parmesan cheese
- 1 1/2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese, divided
- 2 crescent roll tubes (8 ounces each)

Heat oven to 375 F.

In skillet, over medium heat, cook spinach, cream cheese and garlic 3-4 minutes until cream cheese is melted. Stir in mayonnaise, salt, onion powder, chili powder, pepper and Italian seasoning. Stir in Parmesan cheese and 1/2 cup mozzarella cheese. Cook until cheese is melted. Keep skillet on burner over low heat.

Remove dough from tubes. Leaving dough intact, roll and stretch into 18-inch ropes. Cut each rope into 12 pieces for 24 total.

On baking sheet with parchment paper, form bunny head by placing one piece of dough in middle then surrounding it with six more pieces. Use 13 pieces to form round body. Use remaining pieces to form ears on top of head.

Scoop hot spinach dip into center. Spoon small portions on each ear. Sprinkle ears and belly with remaining mozzarella cheese.

Bake 18 minutes, or until crescent dough is golden brown and thoroughly cooked.



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— Winston Churchill —

LAST CALL: These Chain Stores Are Closing Locations in 2023

The retail sector can often be fickle, even when the company is loved and established. Some of the titans in the industry have faced tough times in recent years, with even the seemingly infallible ones shuttering locations for good.

From Aldi to Costco, Walmart, and even designer stores, it looks like no one is safe. Business status can change on a dime, but let's see which household names are closing the doors for good in 2023. Will your local store be next – or has it managed to escape the retail apocalypse?

AT&T

Year Established: 1983

Store Closures: 320 Branches*

In 2020, AT&T closed down 250 of its physical stores. Now, it will be closing down another 320, according to the Communications Workers of America Union. The CWA said that these closures will lead to more than 1,600 job losses. AT&T has defended the total of 570 closures by saying it is “adjusting” its retail presence to “reflect” consumer “shopping practices.”

AT&T said that it always intended to focus more on online sales, as opposed to in-person store traffic. The retailer stated that the reason it was happening so quickly was that the retail apocalypse of 2020 accelerated the plans.

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Bed Bath & Beyond

Year Established: 1971

Store Closures: 200 Branches*

Though Bed Bath & Beyond will be closing roughly 200 stores (less than four percent of its total stores worldwide) by the end of 2022, many market insiders predict that this may be the first few drops of a potential waterfall of closings within the next several years.

CNBC reported that Bed Bath & Beyond was trying to “save itself from extinction.” Business Insider was a little less optimistic, declaring that the “iconic brand” was ex-

periencing a “rise and fall.” The company’s bonds have been straddling the border of junk debt for a while, trading at 73 cents on the dollar in December of 2019.

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Walgreens

Year Established: 1901

Store Closures: 200 Branches*

Walgreens may be a surprising name to see on the list, as they seem to be everywhere in some cities in America. Nevertheless, they certainly have their competition cut out for them, with CVS and other big names dominating the drugstore industry.

Now, the pharmacy stores are closing off an even 200 stores, hoping to continue turning a profit in their other locations. Walgreens has continued to lose money, and Fox Business pointed out some shocking specs on the company’s failure. The company, owned by Walgreens Boots Alliance, lost \$1.7 billion during three months in 2020. In 2021, the chain closed a further 17 locations in the San Francisco area, citing shoplifting.

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Target

Year Established: 1995

Store Closures: 13 Branches*

Emerging as one of the biggest rivals to the retail titan known as Walmart, Target exploded to global success in the 2010s – though the company was actually formed more than a decade ago. At the time, it was known as Goodfellow Dry Goods.

Target has transitioned exceptionally well into the Internet age by focusing on Internet sales and targeting (pun intended) the more image-conscious consumer. Though revenues are up, Target plans to close about 13 locations through 2022 – though more store openings are likely on the horizon.

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Pacifico's US Open of Surfing

The WSL announced the creation of the CS in 2019 with a new emphasis on enhancing the qualification pathway. In the announcement press release, WSL Senior Manager of Tours and Competition Travis Logie said the following:

“This new level of event and competition will provide greater opportunity for elite qualification, visibility for the next generation of surfers, and a marketing platform for our regional partners. The changes are also intended to allow a greater number of regional surfers to develop through the WSL Qualifying Tour system...”

When we asked Miley-Dyer if the goals that were

laid out in 2019 have been accomplished through the first three seasons of the CS, she confidently affirmed they had been.

“Molly (Picklum), Leo (Fioravanti), and Joao (Chianca) are great examples,” said Miley Dyer. “They didn’t make the cut, they went back to the Challenger, had another chance to rethink their heat strategies and the way they’re going to approach the CT. They’ve come back for this year doing the best they’ve ever done”

“The other piece that is important to us, you look at someone like Rio Waida, the first Indonesian to qualify, Ramzi (Boukhiam), our first Moroccan to

ever qualify,” added Miley Dyer. “These are surfers who are breaking in through the new structure.”

Miley Dyer makes a good point. It’s likely no fluke that the introduction of the CS has coincided with breakthrough moments for surfers from non-traditional competitive surfing nations like Indonesia and Morocco.

And while you can argue that the waves to close the CS in Saquarema likely won’t compare to what we saw at Haleiwa in 2022, the drama of qualifying surfers for the Championship Tour in Brazil’s surf capital will undoubtedly create the energized environment the WSL is looking for.



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The 40 branches of Signature Bank will become Flagstar Bank, starting Monday. Flagstar is one of New York Community Bank's subsidiaries. The deal will include the purchase of \$38.4 billion in Signature Bank's assets, a little more than a third of Signature's total when the bank failed a week ago.

The FDIC said \$60 billion in Signature Bank's loans will remain in receivership and are expected to be sold off in time.

Signature Bank was the second bank to fail in this banking crisis, roughly 48 hours after the collapse of Silicon Valley Bank. Signature, based in New York, was a large commercial lender in the tristate area, but had in recent years gotten into cryptocurrencies as a potential growth business.

After Silicon Valley Bank failed, depositors became nervous about Signature Bank's health due to its high amount of uninsured deposits as well as its exposure to crypto and other tech-focused lending. By the time it was closed by regulators, Signature was the third largest bank failure in U.S. history.

The FDIC says it expects Signature Bank's failure to cost the deposit insurance fund \$2.5 billion, but that figure may change as the regulator sells off assets. The deposit insurance fund is paid for by assessments on banks and taxpayers do not bear the direct cost when a bank fails.

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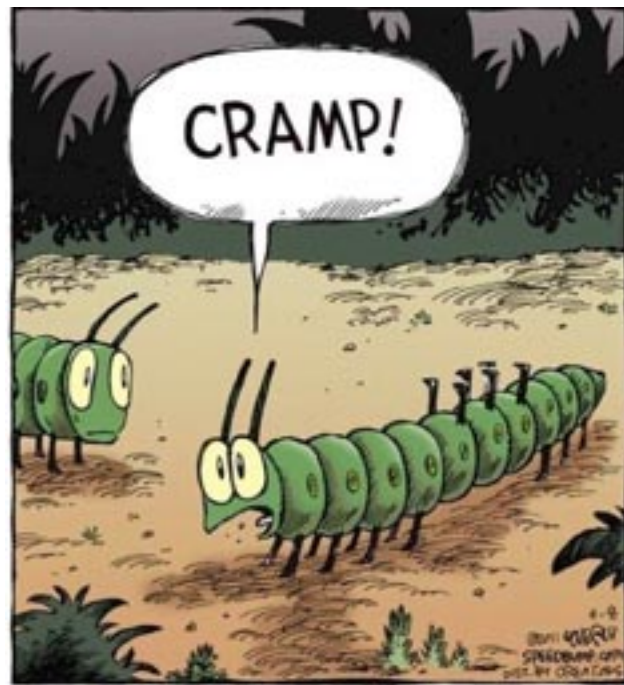
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Ingredients

Ingredient Checklist
 1/3 cup chopped green onions
 3 tablespoons dry breadcrumbs
 2 teaspoons minced garlic
 1/8 teaspoon salt
 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper

1 pound ground sirloin
 1 large egg, lightly beaten
 6 tablespoons ketchup, divided
 Cooking spray

Directions

Step 1
 Preheat oven to 400°.

Step 2
 Combine first 9 ingredients in a large bowl; add 1/4 cup ketchup. Mix beef mixture with hands just until combined. Shape beef mixture into a 9 x 4-inch loaf on a broiler pan coated with cooking spray. Bake at 400° for 20 minutes. Brush top of meat loaf with remaining 2 tablespoons ketchup. Bake 7 additional minutes or until done. Slice loaf into 8 equal pieces.

Step 3

Wine note: A value-priced cabernet or merlot, like Crane Lake Cabernet Sauvignon 2005 (\$4), tends to be straightforward, lighter-bodied, and lower in tannins, ideal with the lean ground beef in this traditional baked meat loaf. -
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QUEEN ELIZABETH

Queen Elizabeth (1952 -) was crowned Head of State, Head of the Commonwealth and Supreme Governor of the Church of England in 1952.

She served as the longest-serving British monarch for over 70 years presiding over continual change both within the Royal Family, Great Britain and the Commonwealth.



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Perfect Martini Cocktail

by Kathryn Maier

When the classic Brooklyn restaurant Gage & Tollner was recently resurrected by the team of Ben Schneider, Sohui Kim, and bar pro St. John Frizell, it was decided that its drink list would feature only cocktails that had appeared on the menu of the restaurant's original incarnation. The team knew they wanted to focus on Martinis, covering many of the standard bases—vodka, gin, classic, dirty—and decided to throw in a variation not often seen on contemporary menus: the Perfect Martini.

Add all ingredients into a mixing glass with ice and stir until well-chilled. Strain into a chilled coupe glass. Garnish with a lemon twist.

Ingredients

1 1/2 ounces Beefeater gin
 1 ounce Dolin dry vermouth
 1 ounce Cocchi Torino sweet vermouth
 1/2 teaspoon Luxardo maraschino liqueur
 1 dash Gage & Tollner house bitters (an equal-parts mix of Angostura and The Bitter Truth Bogart's bitters)
 Garnish: lemon twist



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From the Editors of
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Dear EarthTalk:
How are wild tiger populations faring today around the world?
~P.K. via email

Wild tigers have been roaming the planet for upwards of a million years—about 600,000 years longer than humans. Tigers can be found across East and South Asia,



Don't expect to see a tiger in the wild anytime soon, as their numbers plummeted during the 20th C. from 100,000 worldwide to just 4,500. Credit: Pexels.

with most of them lurking in the rainforests of India, Thailand and Nepal. But don't expect to see one anytime soon, as their numbers plummeted during the 20th century from 100,000 worldwide to just 4,500. Hunting has been the main cause of their demise, but threats like habitat loss and global warming could push them to ex-

tingtion if we don't act fast.

Also, demand across Asia for tiger parts—traditional medicine practitioners make use of tiger bones, eyes, whiskers and teeth to treat a wide range of ailments regardless of medical effectiveness—has led to an uptick in recent years of so-called “tiger farming” whereby wildlife poachers capture wild tigers and imprison them to breed. The non-profit WWF reports that over 8,000 tigers (almost double the number living in the wild) are imprisoned in tiger “farms” across East and Southeast Asia.

Climate change is also a big threat. Rising sea levels are threatening the mangrove forests where the Bengal tigers of the Sundarban regions of India and Bangladesh reside. WWF projects that habitat loss could completely decimate the Sundarbans given the sea level rise predicted for the region by 2070.

But it's not all doom and gloom. According to Share-

America, tigers have begun to rebound slightly in recent years. The increase can be attributed to the reduction of conflicts over space between humans and tigers and education on the fragile status of these precious creatures (Indonesia's Ministry of Environment and Forestry has trained over 1,200 community members in reducing conflicts between humans and tigers). The 2021 END Wildlife Trafficking Strategic Review states that since 2015, no tigers have been killed over landscape conflicts. Additionally, Nepal, a natural habitat for tigers, saw their 121 tigers back in 2009 skyrocket to around 355. In nearby India, new research has laid the blueprint for conservation and human development

to coexist. Dr. Stotra Chakrabarti with Macalester College emphasized “land-sharing,” in which humans and nature both occupy shared areas. Chakrabarti offers a solution to government officials that finds the Goldilocks zone when considering biodiversity and human growth.

Just because you don't live near wild tigers doesn't mean you can't help in their revival. Refuse to purchase illegally harvested tiger products. And if you do reside in an area with wild tigers, support their protection by voting for legislation prioritizing the safety and increase of their population. Tigers have been decimated by human activity over the years, but we can take actions now to assist in their miraculous upswing. Let's all do our part to save our endangered friends.

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Controversial Crown Won't be Worn at King Charles III Coronation

CBS News / CAITLIN O'KANE

The Royal Family will not use a controversial crown during King Charles' coronation in May, according to BBC. Charles' wife, Queen Consort Camilla will not wear the Koh-i-Noor diamond, and it will be the first time in history a crown will be "recycled" for a coronation.

Camilla wore the Crown of Queen Elizabeth, which features the Koh-i-Noor diamond, to the funeral of her husband's mother, Queen Elizabeth II, in 2022.

The crown was given to Queen Elizabeth II's mother in 1937, according to the Historic Royal Palaces. The diamond was given to Queen Victoria as a condition of the Treaty of Lahore, which ended the first Anglo-Sikh War in 1849.

The jewel is believed to have originated from the Golconda mines in central southern India. It has had many previous owners — heads of the Mughal empire on the Indian subcontinent, Shahs of Iran, Emirs of Afghanistan and Sikh Maharajas, according to Historic Royal Palaces.

Many Indians believe the diamond still belongs to India and that the British stole it, BBC News reports.

The diamond was once larger, but was recut to weigh 105.6 carats. Koh-i-Noor means "Mountain of Light" in Persian and there are two legends surrounding the diamond — that it is both lucky and unlucky.

Unlike at the funeral, Camilla, who will also be crowned at the coronation, will no longer wear the crown with Koh-i-Noor diamond.

Instead, she will wear Queen Mary's Crown, which has been taken out of the Tower of London, where the crown jewels are

normally on public display, to be resized for the coronation. Diamonds from Queen Elizabeth II's collection will be added to the crown.

St. Edward's Crown was moved from the display last year because it will be worn by King Charles for his coronation.

St. Edward's Crown was made for King Charles II and used at his

coronation in 1661, according to Buckingham Palace. It has historically been used at the moment of coronation for other monarchs, including Queen Elizabeth II.

Part of the coronation is the investiture, when the monarch is presented with special items from the Coronation Regalia that symbolize the monarch's power and responsibilities, according to the Historic Royal Palaces.

St. Edward's Crown is the final object presented the monarch — a sign of royal majesty and dignity. The monarch later wears the Imperial State Crown during the procession from Westminster Abbey.

These crowns also made appearances during Queen Elizabeth II's funeral services. The Imperial State Crown was placed on her coffin and King Charles wore St. Edward's Crown.



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Most Beautiful Female Billionaires

It takes one several years of hard work in business to become a billionaire. Some of the young women presented in this list were lucky to have inherited billions of dollars while others have accumulated their multi-billion wealth from businesses. Interestingly, some of these women are still young in their early twenties and yet they have a personal net worth higher than budgets of some developing countries. The cash that they possess is enough for them to do whatever they want and more despite being born into very rich families.



Anna Getty

This is another lady that enjoys the richness of those who lived before her. She is one of the family members of the Getty oil companies which has been under the ownership of her grandfather since its inception. She is worth \$2.4 billion.

Before joining the eco-friendly health product company, she was an actress, and now she is also the producer of documentaries other than working in her company. Furthermore, she is passionate about health and well-being of people and hence supports various organizations dealing with health and well-being of individuals.

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NERVES OF STEEL - WOMAN STOPS 4.5 METER CROC WITH .22 PISTOL.

Absolutely amazing and deeply moving story of an Aussie woman's bravery with a tiny .22 calibre pistol. They are like a mosquito bite to a big croc.

A Darwin woman, Beverly Thompson, 38, has stopped a crocodile attack using a small .22 calibre Ruger pistol.

This is a story of self-control and marksmanship by a brave, cool-headed woman with a small pistol against a fierce predator.

Here's her story in her own words:

"While walking along the edge of a lake near my house in the Zuccoli Village Estate near Darwin discussing a property settlement with my soon-to-be ex-husband, and other divorce issues, we were surprised by a huge 3.5 meter crocodile which suddenly emerged from the murky water.

It began charging us with its large jaws wide open. She must have been protecting her nest because she was extremely aggressive.

If I had not had my little Ruger .22 caliber pistol with me, I wouldn't be here today!" said Beverly.

"Just one shot to my estranged husband's kneecap was all it took!

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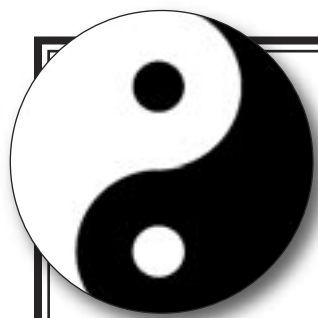
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ON THE DARK SIDE OR MAYBE THE LIGHTER SIDE...

Elizabeth Warren says Jerome Powell has 'failed' as Federal Reserve Chair

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Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., slammed Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell in an interview Sunday on NBC News' "Meet the Press," saying he "has failed" and shouldn't be in his role.

"He has had two jobs. One is to deal with monetary policy. One is to deal with regulation. He has failed at both," she said.

"Look, I don't think he should be chairman of the Federal Reserve. I have said it as publicly as I know how to say it. I've said it to everyone," said Warren, who is on the Senate Banking Committee.

Powell, first nominated by President Donald Trump in 2017, has faced criticism over his handling of banking regulations after the collapse of Silicon Valley Bank.

Warren, who has been pressing for stricter banking regulations, said Powell "took a flamethrower to the regulations" when Trump was in office, adding that Trump gave Congress the "authority to lighten the regulations even more."

"And then the CEOs of the banks did exactly what we expected. They loaded up on risk that boosted their short-term profits. They gave themselves huge bonuses and salaries and exploded their banks," Warren said.

In a letter Saturday, Warren urged the inspectors general at the Treasury Department, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the Fed Board of Governors to immediately open a "thorough independent investigation" to determine the causes of the bank



management and regulatory issues that led to the collapse of SVB and Signature Bank.

"The bank's executives, who took unnecessary risks or failed to hedge against entirely foreseeable threats, must be held accountable for these failures," Warren wrote, asking for preliminary findings of the probe to be delivered to Congress within 30 days.

A group of Democrats led by Warren and Rep. Katie Porter of California announced legislation last week to restore bank regulations that were undone in 2018, during the Trump administration — an effort they say would address the cause of SVB's collapse.

At the time, Republicans in Congress pushed a bill — with the support of some centrist Democrats — that eased Dodd-Frank financial regulations on midsize banks, raising the "too big to fail" threshold from \$50 billion in assets to \$250 billion. The Warren-Porter bill, first reported by NBC News, would repeal that measure, but it faces a tough road to passage in Congress.

Some Democrats who voted for the 2018 bill are standing by their votes, joining Republicans in resisting more scrutiny for banks and arguing that the U.S. still has ways under existing law to tackle the issue.

President Joe Biden renominated Powell as Federal Reserve chairman in November 2021. The decision was met with pushback from some progressives, and certain Democrats had argued that Powell was too hands-off as a banking regulator.

Around that time, Warren was a leading opponent of Powell, calling him a "dangerous man" who had led an effort to weaken the nation's banking system at a hearing in late 2021.

Warren urged Powell to recuse himself from an internal probe into SVB last week, saying his actions "directly contributed to these bank failures."

"I've opposed him because of his views on regulation," Warren said Sunday on "Meet the Press," "and what he was already doing to weaken regulation."

Federal Judge Blocks Key Parts of California Handgun Law

Associated Press / STEFANIE DAZIO

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A federal judge on Monday blocked key provisions of a California law that drastically restricts the sale of new handguns in the state, saying parts of the legislation violate the Second Amendment.

A lawsuit challenging the law was filed last year by the California Rifle & Pistol Association and other gun rights supporters following a landmark 2022 decision from the U.S. Supreme Court that set new standards for evaluating firearm restrictions. The ruling left many laws aimed at regulating and limiting the sale and use of guns — in California and nationwide — at risk of being struck down.

U.S. District Court Judge Cormac Carney, sitting in Santa Ana, wrote Monday that California's requirements for new handguns are unconstitutional and cannot be enforced. Because of these restrictions, Carney wrote, no new models of semiautomatic handguns have been approved for sale since 2013 and Californians are forced to buy older and potentially less safe models.

He issued a preliminary injunction to take effect in two weeks, meaning the state would have to stop enforcing the law. The delay gives the state Department of Justice time to appeal.

"The fact of the matter is, California's gun safety laws save lives, and California's Unsafe Handgun Act is no exception," Attorney General Rob Bonta said in a statement.

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Attorney General Rob Bonta "We will continue to lead efforts to advance and defend California's gun safety laws. As we move forward to determine next steps in this case, Californians should know that this injunction has not gone into effect and that California's important gun safety requirements related to the Unsafe Handgun Act remain in effect."

In California, state law requires new handguns to have three components: A chamber load indicator, which shows whether the gun is loaded; a magazine disconnect mechanism that will stop the gun from firing if the magazine is not properly inserted; and micro-stamping capability so law enforcement can more easily link spent shell casings to the

guns they were fired from.

"No handgun available in the world has all three of these features," the judge wrote. "These regulations are having a devastating impact on Californians' ability to acquire and use new, state-of-the-art handguns."

Older handguns have been grandfathered into what's known as the "roster," or a list of guns that pass a safety test under state law known as the Unsafe Handgun Act.

"Californians have the constitutional right to acquire and use state-of-the-art handguns to protect themselves," he wrote. "They should not be forced to settle for decade-old models of handguns to ensure that they remain safe inside or outside the home."

Previous attempts to challenge the state law, filed before last year's Supreme Court ruling, failed.

Chuck Michel, head of the California Rifle & Pistol Association, said the three requirements were "impossible to satisfy."

"If we can hold on to this great Second Amendment win, people will be able to choose from among thousands of the latest, greatest, and safest handguns made today.

Chuck Michel, head of the California Rifle & Pistol Association,

"For decades this 'roster' law has deprived law-abiding citizens of the right to choose a handgun appropriate for their individual needs," he wrote in a statement Monday. "If we can hold on to this great Second Amendment win, people will be able to choose from among thousands of the latest, greatest, and safest handguns made today."

Only New York also has a similar micro-stamping requirement, according to gun control group Everytown for Gun Safety.

The National Shooting Sports Foundation, the trade association for the firearms industry, hailed the preliminary injunction in a statement Monday.

"For too long, the Second Amendment has been significantly infringed upon by elected officials who have taken every opportunity to put roadblocks in front of law-abiding citizens seeking to exercise their Second Amendment rights," said Lawrence Keane, the organization's senior vice president. "The order is the first step in what will be a protracted legal battle, but it is a significant win."



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These Actors Epically Played Real People in These Films

Erika Burch

When an actor plays a role, he or she does everything in their power to really get into it, to feel as that person would feel, and to portray those feelings on the film. But what happens when an actor lands a role based on a real person?



Flash of Genius (2008)

Greg Kinnear stars in this 2008 film that tells the story of Robert Kearns, an inventor who goes up against the Ford Motor Company in court when they develop a part based on his idea, and work he'd already patented. Robert Kearns an American engineer, educator, and inventor finally got the recognition he deserved for inventing intermittent windshield wiper systems used on most cars from 1969 to the present.

The film opened to mixed reviews and holds a 60% critic's approval rating on Rotten Tomatoes. Roger Ebert said it was, "faithful and often moving detail," while Peter Travers at Rolling Stone wrote, "Kinnear takes the star spot in Flash of Genius and rides it to Glory." He wound up winning the Best Actor Award at the Boston Film Festival that year.



Bird (1988)

Clint Eastwood produces and directs this 1988 biographical film based on the life of saxophonist Charlie "Bird" Parker. The film follows the musician's (played by Forest Whitaker,) life from childhood through his death at the young age of 34. Parker was one of the most highly influential soloists in history and the leading figure in the development of bebop, a form of jazz

The film received mostly positive reviews and holds an 80% fresh rating on Rotten Tomatoes. Whitaker earned the award for Best Actor at the Cannes film Festival in 1988 for his impressive performance in the role, and Eastwood won the Golden Globe for Best Director, among several other accolades the film received..



The Glorias (2020)

This new film, which was just released earlier this year, tells the tale of feminist and political activist Gloria Steinem's life over a two-decades-long period of time. Steinem is played by both Julianne Moore and Alicia Vikander, as well as two more actresses to portray her childhood and her teenage years. Today at 80 years of Steinem is one of the most prominent feminists in the western world. She rose to prominence after her major expose on Hugh Hefner.

The film premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in January, after beginning production just a year before. There are not a ton of reviews for the film yet, though it does hold a 73% approval on Rotten Tomatoes, based on just 15 critic's reviews.

The Most Valuable Collectors' Items in History

By Audrey Kyanova

We've all heard the stories about someone stumbling upon a valuable comic or knick-knack in a Salvation Army, or the family who moves into a new house only to find a wine cellar below the floorboards worth a fortune.

Anything from baseball cards or vintage Coca Cola cans to stuffed toys or even ticket stubs from legendary concerts, could be the items worth millions. You never know what items are lurking in your basement or your local thrift store that could be worth big bucks to a collector.

Read on to discover a list of some of the most valuable collectible items of all time. You never know, it might be time to bring out the stepladder and venture into the attic. You could have been sitting on a dusty goldmine for decades, blissfully unaware.

1992 Polly Pocket Partytime Stampers

Maker: Bluebird Toys

Original Price: \$9.99*

Worth Today: \$5,000*

Polly Pocket toys were a series of dolls made by Bluebird. Though Mattel took over Bluebird and briefly discontinued the Polly Pocket lineup, the dolls still hold a warm place in peoples' hearts even as time has passed. The most valuable vintage Polly Pockets were released in a nine-year period, from 1989 to 1998.

The Polly Pocket Partytime Stampers, released in 1992, are among the most valuable, and they can sell for up to \$5,000 on the market. The pink, heart-shaped compact had two levels when you opened it: a bedroom and house with a gift and a garden with a party table set.

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Cosden Liquid Gas Horsepower Plus Special Sign

Maker: Cosden Oil & Gas Company

Original Price: \$200*

Worth Today: \$21,600*

The Cosden Oil & Gas Company was founded by Josh Cosden in Oklahoma. Signs from Cosden Gas are pieces of Oklahoma history, so the largest of the signs, measuring six feet, sell for tens of thousands of dollars as home décor.

Josh Cosden was certainly a fascinating figure. He was born in 1881 and, during his lifetime, he earned and wasted two fortunes. He started as a sales clerk and moved to Oklahoma to start a life in the oil industry. Somehow, this gamble worked. When he lost his oil fortune in 1925, he gained it back by investing in oil fields in West Texas.

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1963 Ferrari 250 GTO

Maker: Ferrari

Original Price: \$18,000*

Worth Today: \$70 million*

Everyone knows Ferraris are expensive, but this 1963 Ferrari 250 GTO pushes that notion to new heights. The GTO set the record in June of 2018 for the most expensive car ever sold at auction. The GTO sold to a private owner for \$70 million.

This particular model has been sought-after by collectors for a while. The new GTO cost \$18,000 back in 1963, and the eccentric Enzo Ferrari had to personally approve each buyer. Sports Car International named this model the "Best Sports Car of All Time." Rarity and high prices in the auto collecting industry helped drive the \$70 million auction price.

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Celebrities We Didn't Realize Were Related

Chris Shackleton

We all know famous families such as the Kardashians and the Baldwins, but what about the celeb relations who don't flaunt their lineages? As it turns out, the world of showbiz is pretty small, and there are plenty of family connections that have managed to stay under the radar. That's right: you won't believe how connected famous people really are these days...



Jeffrey Dean Morgan and Hilarie Burton

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The Walking Dead's Jeffrey Dean Morgan and One Tree Hill's Hilarie Burton tied the knot in October 2019 after ten years together. Now, they live together with their two children out in New York State, which isn't exactly paparazzi central. And that may explain how Morgan and Burton aren't constantly hounded by the media. In fact, some Negan fans may be shocked to know that the actor is married at all.



Robert Pattinson and Suki Waterhouse

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Robert Pattinson and Suki Waterhouse are so low-key that neither of them has ever directly said the other's name when asked by journalists to confirm their relationship. That's dedication to privacy right there. All we have to go on is one Instagram picture and a vague acknowledgment by Pattinson during a Sunday Times interview that he has a girlfriend who's also famous. It's all very hush-hush.



Daniel Craig and Rachel Weisz

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Hello! once called James Bond star Daniel Craig and Rachel Weisz "one of the most private couples in Hollywood." And there's definitely some truth to that. Oscar winner Weisz has explained why, though, telling More magazine in 2015 that a wariness of fame was behind their desire for secrecy. She said, "[Daniel's] just too famous. It would be a betrayal. You have to protect your marriage... One of the great pleasures of not being an adolescent is that you don't have to share everything." Hear hear.

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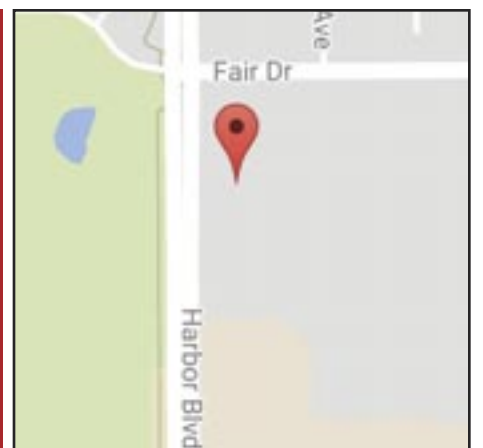
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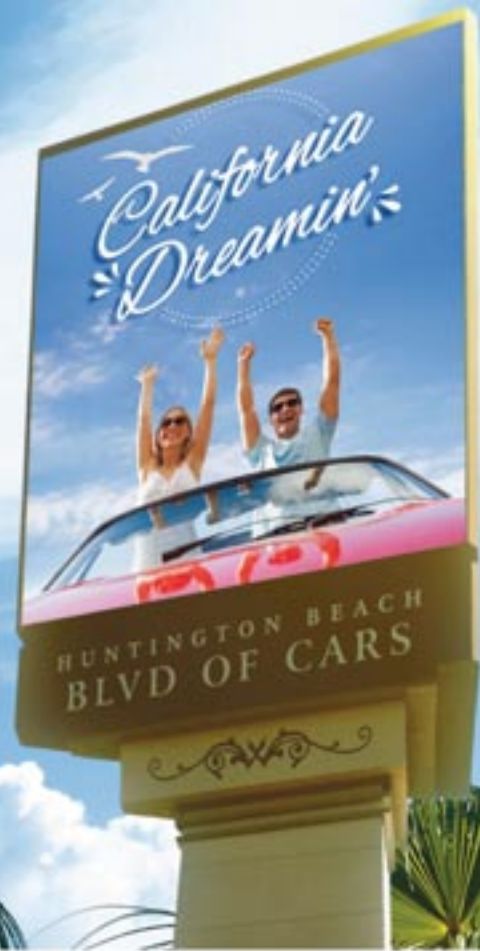
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