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Not Just Academic Excellence, Poise, Charm and Talent – Beautiful Young Ladies



MALIA WALKER & GRACIA MERCADO CROWNED MISS FV AND MISS FV'S TEEN 2027

Record crowd Celebrates Scholarships, Talent and Community Service

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA — Before a record audience of nearly 400, Malia Walker was crowned Miss FV 2027 and Gracia Mercado was named Miss FV's Teen 2027 at the annual Miss Fountain Valley Scholarship Competition, held Saturday, November 7, at the Sapphire Center.

Thirteen young women competed in interviews, talent, health and fitness, onstage questions, and community service initiatives. More than $13,000 in scholarships and awards were presented, making Miss FV one of California's most generous local scholarship competitions.

Walker, a UC Irvine Music Theatre major

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Is Market Crash Coming

Warren Buffett's Warning Is Ringing Loud and Clear.

The Motley Fool, JENNIFER SAIBIL

KEY POINTS

• Buffett has likened the current market to a casino, and he sees what he calls gambling.

• He built up Berkshire Hathaway's cash pile to a high of nearly $400 billion before he stepped down.

• Buffett is a value investor, and he stays away from overpriced stocks even when it's hard to find bargains.


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Is a market crash coming? That's the question on many investors' minds today as the strong bull market continues. The S&P 500 (SNPINDEX: ^GSPC) has more than doubled over the past four years, and it's up 12% year to date. Artificial intelligence (AI) euphoria is still driving the market, but there are signs that suggest a crash could be on the way.

Consider what Warren Buffett recently said about the state of the market today.

Missed Nvidia in 2009? This Rare Signal Is Flashing Again. In 2009, a "Double Down" signal flashed for a little-known chipmaker called Nvidia. For the first time in years, that same "Total Conviction" signal is flashing for a company 1/100th the size of Nvidia. Continue »

A stock market or a casino?

Warren Buffett is arguably the greatest investor of his generation. He recently stepped down as CEO of Berkshire Hathaway (NYSE: BRKA)(NYSE: BRKB) after leading it for 60 years, during which time its stock gained 5,502,284%, vs. 39,054% for the S&P 500.

Buffett is a value investor, which means that he invests in undervalued stocks, or stocks trading beneath their intrinsic values. However, the most important thing he looks for in a stock is a great business. As he puts it, "It's far better to buy a wonderful company at a fair price than a fair company at a wonderful price." Note the word fair, which suggests that the stock isn't overpriced.

He has invested in all kinds of circumstances, including long bull markets, major crashes, high inflation, and just about everything else. Admirers look to

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IT'S NOT OVER TILL IT'S OVER AND FOR SOME REASON THE FAT LADY HASN'T SUNG YET. BUT NOT MUCH CHANGES EXPECTED.

Huntington Beach council race tight as coastal election count continues

By Nov. 16, Orange County had counted 1,165,405 ballots, a 60.8 percent turnout. Huntington Beach's council race tallied 303,470 votes. Each voter could choose up to four candidates. The registrar had counted 89,289 Huntington Beach ballots as of Nov. 11.

Casey McKeon led with 37,948 votes, followed by Pat Burns (36,932), Andrew Gruel (35,414) and Ben Davis (35,402). Davis held the fourth spot by 63 votes over Erin Spivey.

State Sen. Tony Strickland, a former Huntington Beach mayor, drew 188,310 votes (48.4 percent) in his bid to keep the District 36 seat and conceded to Chris Duncan.

Huntington Beach Councilmember Gracey Van Der Mark drew 109,444 votes in a close Assembly District 72 race. Chris Kluwe led by 829 votes in the unofficial count.

Supervisor Katrina Foley led Diane Dixon, 52.63 to 47.37 percent. Jim Cunneen, Dan Hay and Kim Constantine led in Fountain Valley. Incumbents Derek Tran and Dave Min led their congressional races.


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TONY GONZALEZ
Football
Pro Football Hall of Fame tight end.

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Basketball
Hall of Fame pioneer, Olympian and broadcaster.

PETER “PT” TOWNEND
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TITO ORTIZ
Mixed Martial Arts
Former UFC light heavyweight champion and UFC Hall of Famer.

JOY FAWCETT
Soccer
Two Olympic gold medals and two Women’s World Cup titles.

BRETT SIMPSON
Surfing
Two-time U.S. Open champion and first U.S. Olympic surfing head coach.

CHEROKEE PARKS
Basketball
NCAA champion with Duke and nine-season NBA player.

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Football
CIF State Division 1-A and Southern Section Division 3 champions.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Hall of Fame induction recognizes exceptional achievement, integrity and a meaningful Huntington Beach connection. Individuals and outstanding teams are honored, including coaches, media and other contributors to local athletics.

The inaugural celebration featured custom artwork by sports artist Dave Hobrecht, honoring the inductees and their legacies.

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Dave Garofalo
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~ C.S. Lewis

sad truth

I contend that for a nation to try and tax itself into prosperity, is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle.

~ Winston Churchill (1874 - 1965)

DID YOU KNOW

Octopuses have three hearts and blue blood

Surprising Sports Facts That You Never Would've Guessed



SPORTS

There are over 8000+ sports played around the world! Despite this, there were only 33 sports played at the Olympics 2021.

Boxing was actually illegal in the USA before. It was not until the State of New York legalized it in 1896, with other states following soon after.



VETO Versus Government by Revenge

The power of the veto versus the threat of impeachment and government by revenge.

Stephen Miller is taking over as White House chief of staff, replacing Susie Wiles, one of the most powerful women in Washington. What does that mean? Watch how he handles Congress.

Democrats are taking power in Congress, and Congressman Robert Garcia has told Miller to "lawyer up." Congress has a duty to investigate. It also has a duty to govern. Why can't its leaders make compromise part of their mandate?

Will Democratic moderates and progressives come together around something they can deliver, or will holding power become the point? Republicans face their own test. Can they give a little to get something done?

Donald J. Trump has brought creative ideas and, in my view, some changes worth keeping. Since when did changing the majority mean wiping the slate clean? Voters still expect Washington to get results.

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



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America's Best Roast Beef Sandwiches

Cheapism/Lacey Muszynski

When you're in need of comfort food, classic roast beef sandwiches are a satisfying solution. While they appear all over the United States, there are plenty of regional variations and famous renditions worth exploring. In the Midwest, pot-roast-style beef is served open-face on bread covered in gravy, and roast beef po'boys are popular on the Gulf Coast. From Baltimore pit beef to California tri-tip, here are some drool-worthy roast beef sandwiches lauded by critics and reviewers.



Zachary V./Yelp

Blues City Deli – St. Louis

What to order: Mike's Spicy Beef n' Cheddar

Besides the amazing sandwiches, other things you'll notice at Blues City Deli are the live jazz music and the line out the door during peak hours. Their po'boy-style roast beef sandwiches are all unique, but Mike's Spicy Beef n' Cheddar is a standout. The thin-sliced hot roast beef is piled high, along with bacon, sharp melted cheddar, lettuce, tomato, onion, and a creamy, smoky, spicy Delta sauce that brings it all together. If that's not your style, try the Big Tommy, with roast beef served on cheese garlic bread.

The Greatest Breakfast Sandwich in Every State



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Mildred's Coffeehouse Kansas City, Missouri

There are so many ways a well-intentioned breakfast sandwich can go wrong — improperly timed eggs, unbalanced ratios, sloppy composition. But the sammies at Mildred's Coffeehouse are basically flawless. Their secret? They flash steam their eggs. Yes, Mildred's has not one but two espresso machines—one for coffee of course, and a second machine in the kitchen solely for steaming eggs. There's no butter or oil involved. In fact, the special process requires no additional fat whatsoever. The end result is feather-light and fluffy scrambled eggs that are ideal in a sandwich. The Standard Breakfast Sandwich, known to many as the ultimate breakfast sandwich in Kansas City, is the perfect delivery vessel. The steamed eggs join forces with bacon, American Swiss and pepper-dijon mayo on a choice of wheat, sourdough, marble rye, jalapeno bread or ciabatta.

Celebrity Chef Recipes

We've made 165 recipes from celebrity chefs to find the best ones. Here are the winners in each category.



Chelsea Davis

Sunny Anderson's wings have a great crunch

Paige Bennett for Insider

- Business Insider put over 160 recipes from celebrity chefs to the test to find the tastiest winners.
- We've tried everything from breakfasts and dinners to desserts and specialty bread.
- Some winning recipes came from Guy Fieri, Ree Drummond, Carla Hall, Ina Garten, and more.

Business Insider put the best recipes from celebrity chefs head-to-head to find the most delicious salads, desserts, bread, beverages, and more. Here are some of the winners, from hearty breakfasts to refreshing cocktails.

Entrées

If you find yourself scratching your head for a meal plan or main course, look no further. We've tested baked potatoes, hamburgers, corn on the cob, roast chicken, and pasta to find the best options for your next dinner.

Paige Bennett for Insider

Anderson's recipe calls for deep-frying and covering the chicken wings with a Buffalo sauce. Food writer Chelsea Davis didn't think that the breading and sauce were anything unique, but she loved that these wings had a nice crunch and tasty deep-fried flavor.

After tossing the wings with a spice blend of flour, cayenne, salt, and pepper, Davis heated oil in a pan and deep-fried the wings for about 25 minutes to create a great taste and texture.

Read more about the winning recipe and full battle here: I made chicken wings using 3 celebrity chefs' recipes, and the best were super crispy.

CLICK HERE Watch video to see how to make this recipe!



The Most Iconic Scenic Views in Every State



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From national parks to city skylines, you can find views that'll take your breath away in every corner of the U.S.

If you're planning a cross-country road trip or simply want to get the most out of a visit to a new state, we compiled a list of some of the more stunning views in each state.

So grab your best travel credit cards and enjoy these scenic spots with beautiful views, which are popular among locals and tourists alike and accessible to most visitors.

Idaho: Bruneau Canyon Overlook

Dubbed “Idaho’s Grand Canyon,” the Bruneau Canyon Overlook is a hidden gem. This lesser-known spot offers a striking view of a 300-foot-deep canyon surrounded by rugged desert terrain. It’s especially serene at sunrise, with soft light illuminating the dramatic cliffs. Explore more about this breathtaking site.

Vintage Photograph



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Marilyn Monroe Filming Her Iconic Scene In The Seven Year Itch. This Shot Was Taken In New York In Front Of A Large Crowd Of Bystanders And Press To Create Hype, 1954

Rare Historical Photos Reveal More Than Immediately Meets The Eye

Salvador Dalí walking his anteater in Paris, 1969

Nothing to see here folks, just Salvador Dalí walking an anteater through Paris, just move along folks. Dalí was a surrealist so it’s not totally out of the question for the painter to be seen walking around the city of lights with this strange looking animal - was this something that he did every day? Or was it a one time thing in order to get press? Aside from walking his anteater, Dalí also had a pet ocelot that he liked to pose with. While the surrealist wasn’t known for featuring animals in his work, he loved to hang out with them, but of course he couldn’t just get a dog like a normal painter.



Source: Reddit

Biggest Boomtowns in Every State



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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.

Michigan: Hamtramck

Change in population:
1 year: 26.93%
5 years: 25.30%
8 years: 23.77%
Change in occupied housing units:
1 year: 28.36%
5 years: 27.29%
8 years: 25.68%
Change in owner-occupied housing units:
1 year: 31.20%
5 years: 55.65%
8 years: 44.10%



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Charles was extremely effective in helping us prepare the home for listing; he put us into contact with several contractors that were responsive, efficient, and charged a fair price. Charles also devised a sensible strategy for listing the house that led to a rapid sale. Finally, Charles found an excellent buyer and negotiated a good price for the home.

On a personal note, Charles is a kind and thoughtful individual who responds quickly to calls and questions and is eager to help whenever needed. He is highly professional and experienced, and the most helpful broker we have worked with.

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30th Anniversary Gala

For 30 years, the Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council has been bringing together the various faith communities of Huntington Beach and the surrounding cities. During the mid 1990s, a series of hate crimes occurred in Huntington Beach. Residents, civic leaders, and members of the City Council were deeply disturbed by these events and determined that the community needed a constructive response.



Recognizing that these issues could not be solved by policing alone, Huntington Beach Police Chief Ron Lowenberg brought together a diverse group of community leaders to create what became the Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council (GHBIC). Mayor Shirley Dettloff and Councilman Ralph Bauer envisioned the Interfaith Council as a way to empower the faith community to bring a moral dimension to Huntington Beach while fostering mutual respect among faith leaders and strengthening relationships between religious and civic leadership. In 1996, the Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council united leaders from faith communities, business organizations, education, public safety, and civic groups. Former Mayor and Councilman Ralph Bauer envisioned the Interfaith Council as a way to empower the faith community to bring a moral dimension to Huntington Beach, while fostering mutual respect among faith leaders and strengthening relationships between religious and civic leadership. Other early city support includes City Council member Dave Garofalo.

Over the past three decades, the Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council has served as a model of cooperation, dialogue, and civic leadership. We have worked hard to build bridges, discover the goodness in one another, and turn our shared values into meaningful action. Our combined actions serve the community through Community Service Day (annually at the end of April), National Day of Prayer (annually on the first Thursday in May), Blessing of the Waves (annually in September), and Thanksgiving Program (annually in November). GHBIC also participates in the Huntington Beach 4th of July Parade, local community fairs, poetry nights, and OC Around the Table.

Our monthly community meetings are held at 8:15am (with light breakfast) on the last Tuesday of each month (except in December) at the Huntington Beach Civic Center (2000 Main St., Huntington Beach, CA 92648). You are welcome to join us at our monthly meetings, and it would be great to have you come and join us at our 30th Anniversary Gala.

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Is Market Crash Coming

him for guidance, and he gives advice freely.

What he said this past July should make every investor pay attention. In an interview with CNBC, he said, "It's tough to find values when everybody is preferring gambling." That was a follow-up to a remark he made in an interview in May, when he said, "I've compared the markets to a church with a casino attached."

Should you invest now?

Warren Buffett would be the first person to admit he doesn't know what's coming next. But decades of experience give him an edge in understanding how the market works.

Since this bull market started four years ago, Buffett built up Berkshire Hathaway's cash pile to its highest ever, nearly $400 billion. He was a net seller of stocks for many quarters while the market was rising and investors were pushing up some AI stocks to outrageous levels.

The entire time, Berkshire Hathaway found something to buy every quarter. However, when the market becomes very expensive and it seems people are gambling, it's even more important to pay attention to valuation and look for market bargains.

A market crash might be around the corner, and investors should consider emulating Buffett by having cash ready and investing in fairly priced stocks.

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Before you buy stock in S&P 500 Index, consider this:

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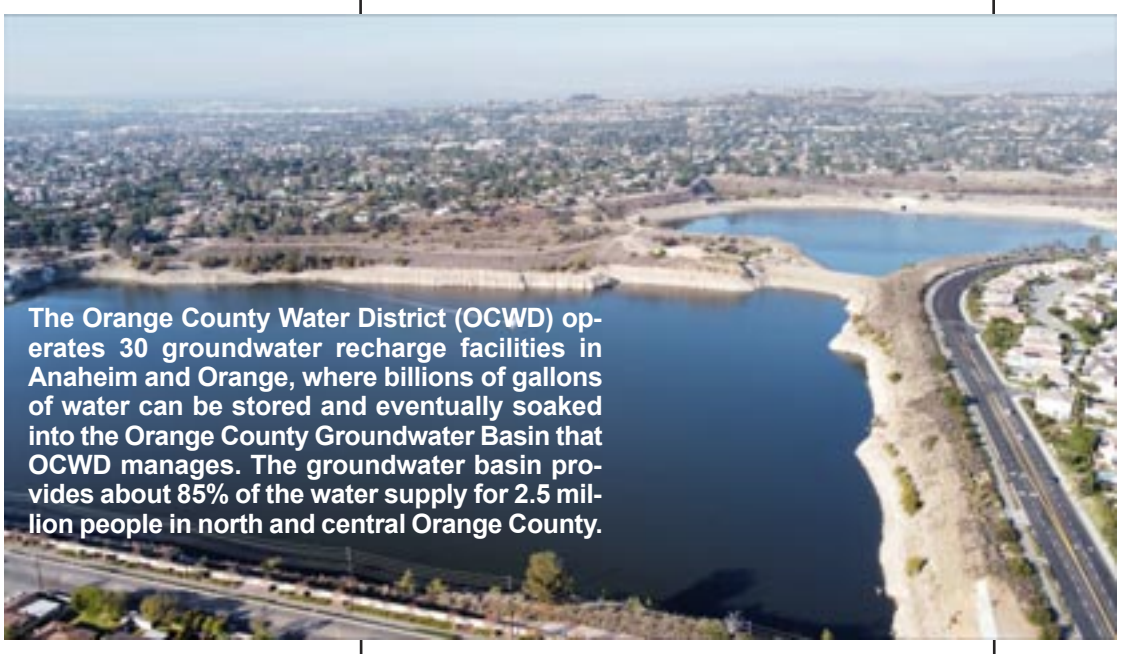
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Preparedness Starts Before the Storm

With El Niño drawing attention across California, many residents are wondering what a wetter rainy season could mean in the months ahead. At the Orange County Water District (OCWD), preparing for rain does not begin when storms appear in the forecast. It is work that takes place throughout the year.

OCWD manages the Orange County Groundwater Basin, which provides approximately 85% of the drinking water supply for 2.5 million people in north and central Orange County, including the cities of Fountain Valley and Huntington Beach. An important part of that responsibility is making sure we are ready to capture as much water as possible when it becomes available and use it to replenish the groundwater basin.



The Orange County Water District (OCWD) operates 30 groundwater recharge facilities in Anaheim and Orange, where billions of gallons of water can be stored and eventually soaked into the Orange County Groundwater Basin that OCWD manages. The groundwater basin provides about 85% of the water supply for 2.5 million people in north and central Orange County.

The District operates 30 groundwater recharge facilities in Anaheim and Orange, where billions of gallons of water can be stored and eventually soaked into the ground. Throughout the year, District staff clean and maintain these facilities, remove accumulated sediment, inspect equipment and make improvements so the system is ready to receive water from multiple sources, including storm flows.

Preparedness also means finding ways to use the infrastructure already in place more effectively. For decades, OCWD has worked closely with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Prado Dam to capture stormwater when conditions allow. Through initiatives like Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations, or FIRO, advanced weather forecasting technology helps inform decisions about how much water can be temporarily stored behind the dam and when it should be released downstream, allowing more water to be captured for groundwater recharge.

That coordination recently contributed to a record year. Between July 2025 and June 2026, more than 18 billion gallons of water were captured at Prado Dam. The water was later released into the Santa Ana River and conveyed to OCWD's recharge facilities, where it helped replenish the groundwater basin.

Capturing and recharging local stormwater helps reduce reliance on imported water, which is more expensive and requires more energy to transport to Orange County. Making the most of water that is already available locally is an important part of maintaining a reliable and cost-effective water supply.

Wet years come and go, which is why preparation during dry periods matters. Our goal is to remain recharge ready year-round so that when storms do arrive, we are positioned to make the most of that water for Orange County's drinking water supply.

Residents can prepare for the rainy season, too, by staying informed and making sure their households are ready for an emergency. The Water Emergency Response Organization of Orange County (WEROC) recommends keeping emergency supplies on hand, including several days of water and nonperishable food, and signing up for AlertOC to receive emergency notifications based on where you live and work. For additional preparedness tips and resources, check your city's website and social media channels for local storm updates and information.

This Orange County Water District article was provided by Cathy Green, who represents Division 6 of the District. Division 6 includes Huntington Beach and parts of Fountain Valley. Contact Director Green at cgreen@ocwd.com.

Most Iconic Moments in History



Defiant Armenian Women Pose For A Photograph During The Hamidian Massacres, 1895

This picture of Armenian women from 1895 shows us how a photo can illustrate a historical truth while being technically inauthentic. It's true that Armenian women fought in battle during the Hamidian Massacres that took place in the Ottoman Empire in the mid-1890s. The massacres were a result of the Turkish Sultan Abdul Hamid II's attempt to hold the crumbling empire together by embracing pan-Islamism. As non-Muslims, Armenians were targeted and between 100,000 and 300,000 were killed.

Source: Reddit

Whether these two Armenian women were preparing to go fight the Ottomans is a matter of debate. Experts in firearms have determined that the rifles and pistol are props, and the photo is said to have the word "souvenir" printed on the back. In other words, this staged photo tells us about the spirit of the times, and may have been an image meant to inspire Armenian resistance, but that doesn't mean that these particular women were actually fighters.

In recent years, the acclaimed keyboardist Derek Sherinian (who has worked with Alice Cooper, Kiss, Billy Idol, Slash and Joe Bonamassa) has identified the woman on the right as Elizabeth Yazidjian, his great grandmother.

Source: Reddit

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On the Vine or Nearby

The 7 Best Vermouths for a Manhattan, According to Bartenders

The pros recommend their favorite brands for the iconic whiskey cocktail.

By Kate Dingwall

Few cocktails are as iconic as the Manhattan. The Golden Age cocktail has played a supporting role in plenty of films and television shows and inspired countless drinks, some of them classics in their own right—see the Rob Roy, Brooklyn, Black Manhattan, and Red Hook.

The standard recipe starts with three ingredients: two parts whiskey, one part sweet vermouth, and a dash of bitters. From that timeless formula, things get weird. Swap in scotch to make a Rob Roy, maraschino and Amaro Lucano for a Bushwick (created by Phil Ward during his Death & Co days), or the vegetal Italian liqueur, Cynar, for a Little Italy. Go further afield with the Manhattan Transfer: a dry Manhattan take with high-proof rye and Ramazzotti.

While it's easy to get caught up in the riffs and unconventional recipes, it's always good to get back to the basics. A classic Manhattan puts vermouth on a pedestal, so the choice of bottle is crucial. But the question of which vermouth to use doesn't always have a clear answer.

"Let's start by saying there is no right or wrong answer to this question," says Alex Pisi, lead bartender for The Wells in Washington, D.C. "It boils down to personal preference and pairing—finding the perfect balance between the spirit you are using and the modifier."



Liquor.com / Janet Maples

The 7 Best Vermouths for a Martini, According to Bartenders

"Lower alcohol whiskeys tend to play nicer with more delicate vermouths," says Ted Rink, beverage director at BLVD Steakhouse. "Bigger profiles and higher-ABV whiskeys need something equally bold."

"Italian vermouths [tend to be] full-bodied, rich, bold, and have loud flavors," says Rink. "French vermouths are [often] delicate, light-bodied, more floral, [and] with very subtle flavors. Spanish vermouths are [usually] more medium bodied with a funky oxidized quality and a raisin-like flavor."

Pisi recommends tasting your base whiskey and pulling out the notes you prefer, such as vanilla, orange, caramel, peppercorn, baking spices, or smoke. Match up your vermouth accordingly, and remember, "There is no wrong vermouth for a Manhattan but there is a right one for you," says Pisi.

We consulted bartenders from across the country to share their preferred vermouths for Manhattans. The following bottles are the pros' personal favorites.

Best Overall: Cocchi Vermouth di Torino

When picking a vermouth, Christian Favier, bar manager at The Ordinary in Charleston, South Carolina, asks one question: "Bourbon or rye?"

If the answer is rye, "the perfect pairing is Cocchi Vermouth di Torino," says Favier. "It's as classic as Torino vermouth gets, with heavy influences of cinchona, Chinese rhubarb, and citrus that can do a lot of heavy lifting in making a Manhattan exceptional," he says. "We're in a renaissance of great vermouth right now, but sometimes, you can't beat the classics."

To make what Common Thread's James Nowicki calls his "everyday Manhattan," he needs Cocchi. "It's extraordinarily well-balanced, approachable, and easy to find," the Savannah-based bar manager says. Expect complexity and a bitter-citrus balance that highlights sweet flavors of orange zest, rhubarb, and grape alongside cocoa. He finds that it really shines in inverted drinks, like a Reverse Manhattan.

Best Splurge: Cocchi Barolo Chinato

Nowicki also recommends Cocchi's higher-end option, Barolo Chinato, if "you're really looking to flex."

"As the name suggests, it's made with 100% nebbiolo from barolo infused with similar bittering agents and botanicals as the baseline product," says Nowicki. "The difference is the slight aging process and a deeper, more expressive base wine. Barolo Chinato is delicious and should be consumed by itself or be the star of whatever drink is being made."

An important thing to note: "As with dry vermouth, [sweet vermouth] should all be kept in the refrigerator after opening," says Nowicki. "It is wine, after all."

Best for Bourbon Manhattans: Punt e Mes

Punt e Mes is Adam Morgan's "go-to vermouth." The Husk Nashville bar manager finds that "even though it's regarded as a sweet vermouth, it has a touch of bitterness that adds character and depth that you won't find with any other bottle." Morgan likes to serve it in a Black Manhattan variation paired with richer food dishes. "In the drink, it retains that silkiness that you expect from a rouge, with an added pop of herbaceousness," he says.

While technically a sweet vermouth, Punt e Mes toes the line between vermouth and amaro with its distinct herbal flavor and rich bitterness. The recipe dates back to 1870 when a Turin stockbroker would order a Carpano sweet vermouth with a dose of quina bitter liqueur (or "a point and a half," as the name translates).

Favier prefers this vermouth with bourbon. "It needs the bitter notes and structure," he says. Try Punt e Mes in a Red Hook or Another Fine Mes.

Best Spanish: Tximista Rojo

"This vermouth, made in Basque Country, is a great sipper on its own, but its unique fruit profile, sweetness, and balancing minerality make it something special in classic cocktails," says Stephen Burgess, bar director of Justine in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The mineral-forward red vermouth calls for a base of Hondarrabi Zuri grapes grown on the coasts of the Bay of Biscay in Spain's Basque region, which are then blended with herbs and botanicals grown locally. It's the only red vermouth made in Basque Country.

"It is light-bodied enough to make room for the accompanying whiskey but has enough character to stand up to even barrel-proof spirits," says Burgess.

Best Italian: Mancino Rosso Amaranto Vermouth

Pisi prefers Mancino Vermouth Rosso Amaranto, a Piedmontese bottle with a base of barbera d'Asti DOCG wine. "The goal of founder Giancarlo Mancino's, a bartender turned vermouth maker, was to create a modern-day vermouth that tastes like the fortified wines of the golden age: full of depth and character with a great amount of complexity," says Pisi.

"It's incredibly versatile as a modifier, offering a mild citrus note [and] a deep rich vanilla note with a backbone of rhubarb, charred wood, and juniper," says Pisi. "These characteristics make for a really well-balanced Manhattan that showcases the sweetness of whiskey, tames the spicy notes, and adds incredibly luscious silk texture. Magnifico!"

Best French: La Quintinye Vermouth Royal Rouge

"If I'm making someone a classic Manhattan, I reach for La Quintinye's vermouth every time," says Burgess.

It's the first vermouth known to be made from a base of Pineau des Charentes, amplified with a base of 28 French botanicals including artemisia, nutmeg, ginger, cinchona, and amargo.

"It's classically fruit forward but elegantly balanced with earthy and herbaceous flavors," says Burgess. "This vermouth brings out the best of any whiskey that's lucky enough to be in a cocktail with it."

Best Budget: Trincheri Vermouth Rosso

Ziv Scherman, food and beverage director of Blue Jay Bistro in Littleton, North Carolina, finds that the balance of herbs and sweetness in Trincheri red vermouth "rounds out the bite from a bourbon in a Manhattan, and really adds depth."

The recipe hails from an 1890 Piedmontese recipe, which is now produced in California's Napa Valley.

Made from a base of barbera and chardonnay grapes infused with 19 herbs and spices (including ginger root, vanilla bean, star anise, and orange and lemon peel), the profile veers plummy and fruit-forward, with leading notes of blackberry and dark cherry.

It's also delicious in its own right. "This vermouth is fantastic on its own over a large rock," says Scherman.

WORDS THAT DEFINED THE 80's

The 80s slang that still lives in our everyday conversations

Remember when Madonna owned MTV, your Walkman never left your side, and a trip to the mall felt like a whole event? The 80s were pure magic: big hair, bigger shoulder pads, and a soundtrack that still gets stuck in your head. It was also the decade that gave us a treasure chest of slang we still use today. Maybe you warned a sibling they were "toast" after breaking Mom's favorite lamp, or teased a friend for being a total "wannabe" of their favorite pop star. Let's take a nostalgic stroll through 10 of them.

1) **"You're toast"**
Image: Kurachik
Picture sitting in a packed movie theater in 1984, laughing as Bill Murray delivered his now-legendary line in Ghostbusters. That's really when "you're toast" burned itself into everyday speech.

Before that, it was barely used. Afterward, kids on playgrounds and adults at the office alike started warning each other they were "toast" whenever trouble was coming.

2). **"Wannabe"**
Image: yakub88
Picture girls in lace gloves and layered necklaces, dancing just like their idol. That image helped cement "wannabe" in pop culture. The term appeared in slang circles in the early 1980s, first describing surfers trying to fit in. But it exploded in 1985 when Time writer John Skow used it to describe Madonna's devoted fans and imitators, forever linking the word to star-struck admiration.

3). **"Couch potato"**
Image: DC Studio
Imagine a friend who never left the sofa, remote in hand, snacking through every rerun. That was the inspiration behind "couch potato," coined back in 1976 by Tom Iacino and later popularized by cartoonist Robert Armstrong.

As television took over American living rooms in the 1980s, the phrase exploded. It perfectly captured a decade where TV dinners and channel surfing became a national pastime.

4). **"Yuppie"**
Image: Volodymyr TVERDOKHLIB
Think of the sharp-suited, briefcase-carrying young professional racing to catch the subway with a car phone in hand. That was the "yuppie", short for "young urban professional."

The term emerged around 1980 to describe a new generation chasing career success, nice apartments, and status symbols. It became the label for the decade's ambitious and image-conscious crowd.

5). **"Airhead"**
Image: sutulastock
We all knew someone in school who seemed a little spacey, more focused on gossip than homework. That's the classic "airhead." Believe it or not, the word actually dates back to the 1940s. But it found new life in the 1980s, becoming a staple of teen movies and slumber-party conversations. It captured that carefree, ditzy energy so many 80s characters seemed to embody.

6). **"Glitch"**
Image: Roberto Sorin
Remember the first time your family's new computer froze for no reason? You'd probably blame a "glitch." The word actually started in radio and electronics circles long before, and NASA helped spread it in the 1960s during the space race.

But it truly took off in the 1980s, as personal computers landed in homes everywhere and people needed a word for those mysterious technical hiccups.

7). **"Gnarly"**
Image: PeopleImages
Close your eyes and picture a surfer catching a massive wave, shouting "gnarly!" to his buddies on the beach. The word started as surfer slang, but by the 1970s and 80s it had spread far beyond the coastline.

Suddenly everything cool, wild, or impressive—a stunt, a haircut, a skateboard trick—was "gnarly."

8). **"Shopping spree"**
Image: MilanMarkovic78
Picture teenagers spending an entire Saturday wandering a shiny new mall, popping in and out of stores with bags piling up. That scene defined the "shopping spree."

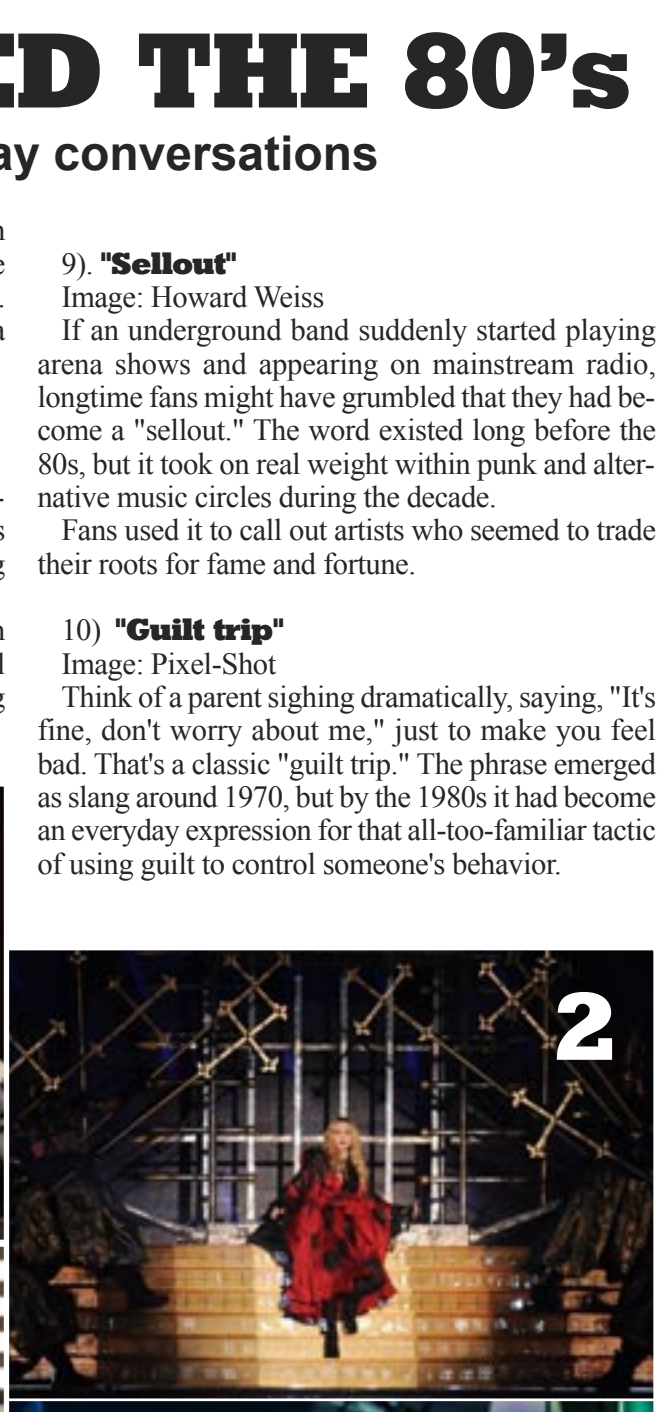
The phrase itself is older, but the 1980s mall boom turned it into a cultural ritual. Malls became social hubs, and going on a spree wasn't just about buying things; it was an experience, a whole day out.

9). **"Sellout"**
Image: Howard Weiss
If an underground band suddenly started playing arena shows and appearing on mainstream radio, longtime fans might have grumbled that they had become a "sellout." The word existed long before the 80s, but it took on real weight within punk and alternative music circles during the decade.

Fans used it to call out artists who seemed to trade their roots for fame and fortune.

10) **"Guilt trip"**
Image: Pixel-Shot
Think of a parent sighing dramatically, saying, "It's fine, don't worry about me," just to make you feel bad. That's a classic "guilt trip." The phrase emerged as slang around 1970, but by the 1980s it had become an everyday expression for that all-too-familiar tactic of using guilt to control someone's behavior.

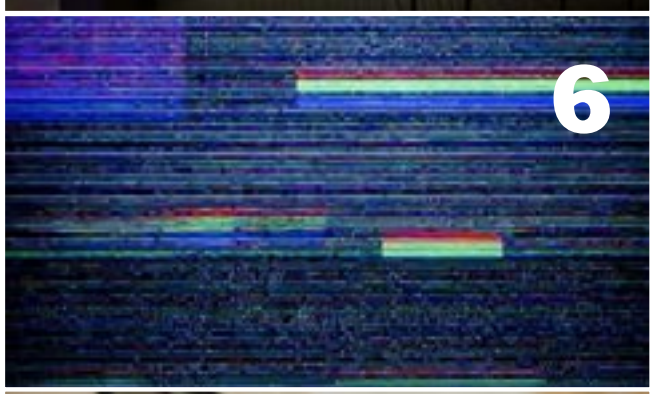


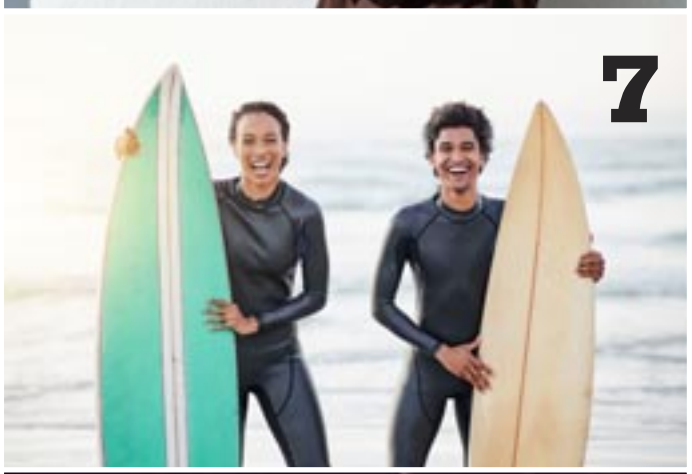




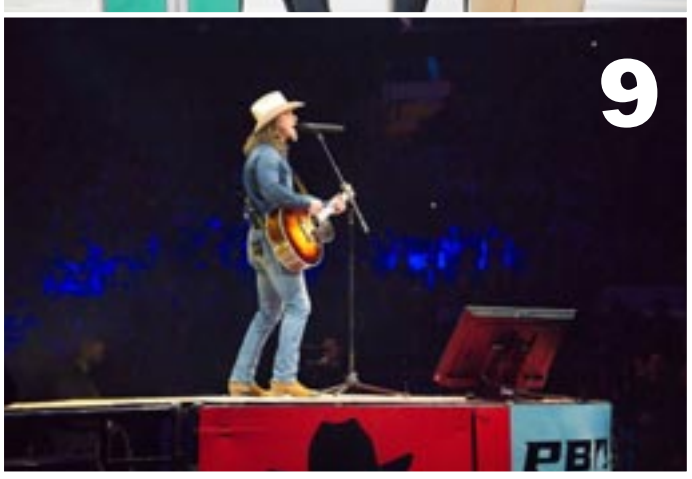


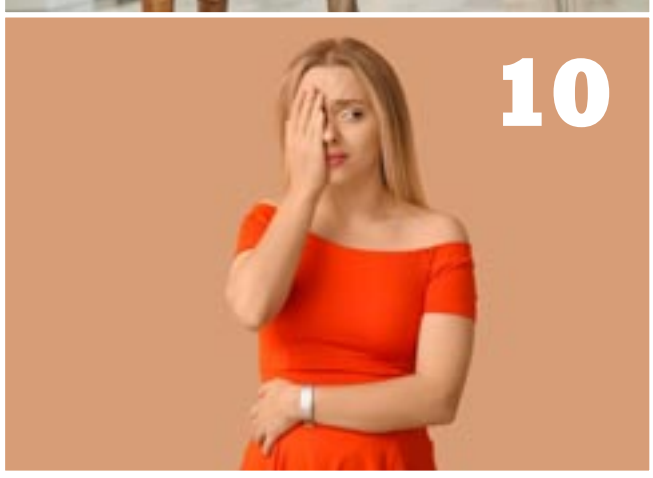












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1963 Chevrolet Corvette C2

Specifications:
Price: $100,000-$2,500,000
Engine: 5.4L V8
Power: 250 hp
Torque: 350 lb-ft
Transmission: 4-Speed Manual
Curb Weight: 3,037 lbs

Highlights:
The Corvette C2 was one of the first models in history to do away with the flat, vertical front end, which had characterized the design of all automobiles since the turn of the century.

The C2's silhouette was based on the two models mentioned above, and Larry Shinoda created it under the direction of Bill Mitchell.

Auto technology has industry execs bracing for disruption

By 2035, consumers will see offerings in software-defined vehicles as the main sales differentiator in vehicles, making AI and digital capabilities a top battleground today, according to a KPMG survey



Google's Android Automotive OS is an open source platform offered for uses well beyond infotainment. As KPMG survey results pointed out, automakers need to keep pace with software and AI advances to stay competitive.
Courtesy of Android Automotive

Paul Myles / Wards Auto

Automotive senior executives believe software and digital technology will be the lead factor driving competition between global automakers in the next decade.

Those are among the findings of KPMG International's 26th Global Automotive Executive Survey. According to its results, 51% of executives polled see that the battle for sales will be dictated by offerings in software defined vehicles by 2035.

The survey of 775 senior executives worldwide also found 48% of respondents expect six of the world's top 10 automakers will be headquartered in China by the middle of the next decade, according to the press release.

This shift suggests auto executives could be bracing themselves for major disruption through technology, geopolitics, sustainability, operating pressures, customer expectations and business models, according to KPMG.

But it also reflects a transformation 52% of surveyed executives are currently feeling: that the industry is moving from a time-limited industry production process to one where continuous transformation is the norm.

"The companies that move fastest to translate technology into customer value, while retaining the flexibility to respond across markets, will be best placed to lead the next phase of the industry," Andreas Ries, KPMG's global head of automotive, said in the press release.

The technology driver

Executives also see future competitive differentiation in adoption of AI, software-defined vehicles, advanced driver-assistance systems, intelligent cockpits and connected services.

The report documents that industry transformation occurs at different speeds according to the region. For instance, 57% of the executives surveyed in the Asia-Pacific region reported significant investment in AI and emerging technologies, compared with 52% in Europe and 48% in the Americas.

Independent of the region, though, 92% of executives said it takes at least a year to deploy a digital, software or AI capability enterprise-wide, while more than 33% said deployment takes over two years.

There's also a recognition among auto executives that ecosystems and technology investments will define future competitiveness.

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Consumers love to consume products that are tasty and cost-effective, but have we ever stopped to look behind the veil and investigate exactly what's in our foods? From beaver butt secretion to sheep sebum in our chewing gum, there's a lot out there that you won't find advertised at Walmart.

Lemon
Company: Various
Market Share: $3.7 billion by 2026*
Ingredient: Feces

There's something about restaurant lemons that you should know, that almost everyone that works in kitchens already knows. Lemons have a very high content of feces, supposedly the highest content out of all the food in restaurant kitchens.

We can't attest to why, but we do know that we'll be taking our coke without ice and a slice moving forward. Once you learn that information, you just can't unlearn it, no matter how hard you try. Don't be fooled by their shiny exterior, evidently there's something sinister lurking within!

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Frozen Broccoli
Company: Various
Market Share: $38.85 billion by 2027* (Total Frozen Vegetables Market)
Ingredient: Aphids, thrips, mites

How can frozen broccoli have something gross inside it? After all, isn't it just an innocent vegetable that's been frozen to hold in the freshness? Isn't it nutritious and delicious? Well, the answer is yes, but with a slight twist.

Like other frozen veg, broccoli is allowed to have 60 aphids, thrips, or mites per 100 grams. There's probably no way to stop them from getting into the crops fully, so the FDA has just given in and admitted that it's okay to eat a tiny bug or 60 every now and then. Just don't tell your kids.

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Jelly Beans
Company: Jelly Belly and others
Market Share: $2.47 billion*
Ingredient: Shellac

A large portion of the world's population will be familiar with shellac for a variety of reasons. Shellac is available as hard-wearing nail polish or to varnish furniture with…it's also used on jelly beans to give them that shiny, appealing finish. As if connecting the two wasn't bad enough, it gets worse.

Shellac is actually made from a female lac bug that lives on a diet of tree sap. The little bugs are harvested, processed, and eventually find their way onto a ton of different confectionary products, including brands like Jelly Belly and many others you can pick up at different stores like Costco.

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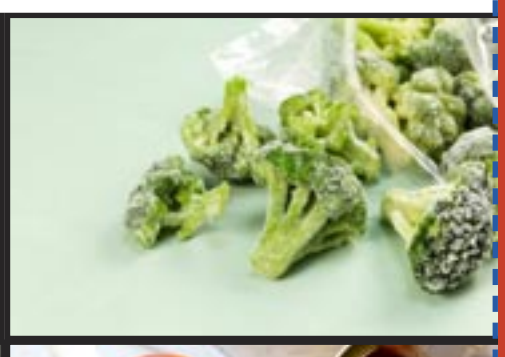
Tomatoes In A Can
Company: Hunt's and others
Market Share: $19.5 billion by 2030*
Ingredient: BPA

For those who don't know, Bisphenol A is an industrial chemical used to produce epoxy and polycarbonate plastics. Sounds appetizing, right? This might surprise you, but BPA is lurking in a lot of our canned foods, including canned tomatoes. In fact, according to Cook's Illustrated, canned tomatoes are "of particular concern."

Canned tomatoes have a lot of acidity, which can cause the BPA in the cans to leach out over time, particularly if the cans become scratched, dented, or damaged somehow. Studies on canned tomato cans revealed the BPA levels ranging from 0.33 to 17.4 micrograms per can. Yikes!

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Quinn Simple Scenes - The World's Greatest Athlete?

By Rix Quinn

At lunch, several of us guys got to talking about who is the best athlete, human or animal.

Surprisingly, the world's greatest may be the spittle bug, who's jumpier than a pickpocket at a police station.

The adult spittle measures only one-fourth inch long. But this guy possesses remarkable leg strength, and if you loaned him a toothpick he could probably pole vault.

This powerful dude can leap two feet. No, not jump over my shoes, but actually bound 24 inches, or 96 TIMES its size!

That's like a six-foot man clearing a 48-story building. I never saw anybody do this, but one time my friend Tom jumped to the wrong conclusion, and his girlfriend told him to take a flying leap.

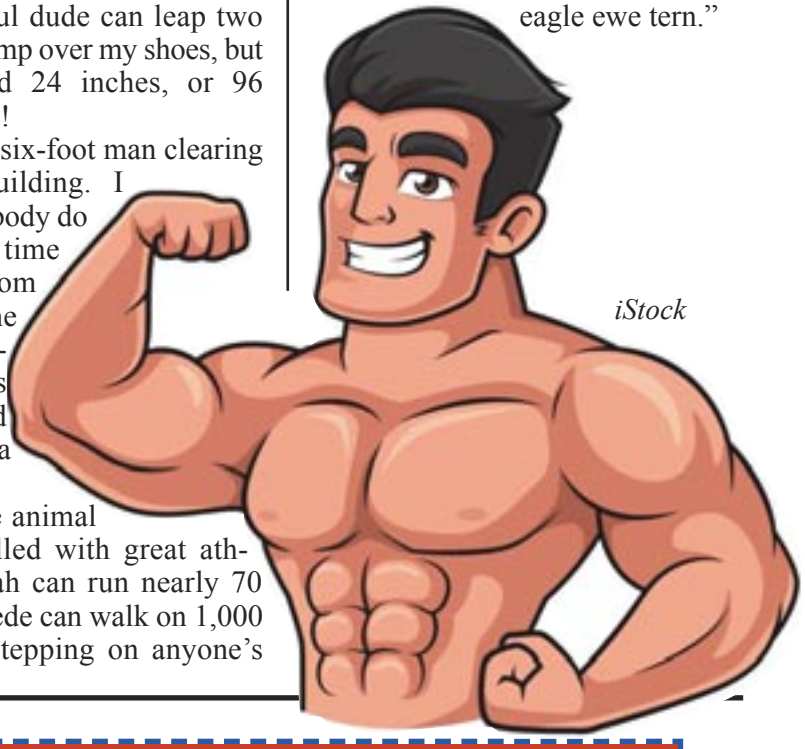
Actually, the animal kingdom is filled with great athletes. A cheetah can run nearly 70 mph. A millepede can walk on 1,000 legs without stepping on anyone's toes.

And the ant can lift 50 times its weight, much more than its insect counterpart, the uncle.

When it comes to endurance, few can top those amazing birds, the arctic terns. In the course of a year, some migrate up to 22,000 miles.

But one flock member misjudged his altitude, collided with a dizzy eagle, and landed on a sheep.

That's how he became the first "ill eagle ewe tern."



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Most Beautiful Female Billionaires

Its 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.



Gwynne Shotwell
NET WORTH: $1.3 BILLION
SOURCE: SPACEX

Shotwell has been driving many of Elon Musk's biggest moves lately. SpaceX, which she has run as president for nearly two decades, merged with Musk's artificial intelligence startup xAI in February at a $1.25 trillion valuation. Now she's helping take the rocket maker public in an expected mid-June IPO at a reported $1.8 trillion target valuation—enough to rank as the largest public offering ever. Shotwell, who Musk hired in 2002 as employee 11, owns 0.11% of the company and almost didn't join: While she believed in his vision, she was going through a divorce and had two young children. After thinking it over for about a month, she called Musk to accept.

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.





Campbell's Soup

Original Headquarters: Camden, NJ

Purchased By: N/A

Country: China

Campbell's Soup has factories all over the world, though it has its headquarters in New Jersey. Campbell's Soup Company has factories in China, Canada, America, and a dozen other countries. Campbell's also owns popular brands of snack food, including Snyder-Lance, Pepperidge Farm, Late July Snacks, Baptista's Bakery, Arnott's Biscuits, and Bolthouse Farms.

The company sells its soup all over the world, and its Chinese customers consume 355 billion servings of soup per year, according to company data. You might think that Chicken Noodle is the company's most popular flavor; but, worldwide, its Mexican-Style Chicken Tortilla is its best-selling item.

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American Standard

Original Headquarters: Piscataway, NJ

Purchased By: Samsonite

Country: China

The majority of American Standard products are made in Mexico, though a handful are made in Asia—specifically, China. American Standard faucets are made from Chinese-made parts, and assembly is done in Mexico. American Standard is owned by American Standard Brands, which sells brand-names such as Crane, Fiat, Showerite, Sanymetal, and more.

The company is based in New Jersey, and it was founded in 2008, making it one of the newer companies on this list. American Standard as a subsidiary has been around a little longer than its parent company, having been founded in the late sixties in Piscataway, New Jersey.

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J.M. Smucker Company

Original Headquarters: Orrville, OH

Purchased By: N/A

Country: China

J.M. Smucker Company is one of the most well-recognized food brands in America, particularly when it comes to its jelly. Smuckers, as it's known in shorthand, announced back in 2012 that it had acquired a minority interest (non-controlling) in the Chinese brand Seamild Tech Development Company.

In addition to making some of its products in China, Smuckers also has a strong connection to Canadian manufacturing. However, it no longer has a plant in Quebec. It shut down that plant in 2013 in order to consolidate more of its business in America. It is still headquartered where it was founded—Orrville, Ohio.

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Tommy Hilfiger

Original Headquarters: New York, NY

Purchased By: PVH Corp.

Country: The Netherlands

Tommy Hilfiger is a world renowned brand of men's and women's clothing, with a primarily sporty style. While now the company is worth billions of dollars, it all began as a single shop opened up by the eponymous designer, who saved up $150 to open up the shop in upstate New York.

Since its inception in the 1980s, it has grown into a massive global company, selling their clothes, accessories, and home goods in over 2,000 department stores worldwide. In 2010, the company was bought by PVH Corp., and Daniel Grieder was given the CEO position, while Tommy Hilfiger himself remains the lead designer.

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FAMOUS MURDERS THAT REMAIN UNSOLVED

By Thomm Quackenbush

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.



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Belle Gunness

For most of her life, Belle Gunness must have seemed pretty innocuous. According to the La Porte County Historical Society Museum, she was born in Norway in 1859 and emigrated to the U.S. in 1881. She worked as a servant for a while before marrying a fellow Norwegian, Mads Sorensen.

Their Chicago home burned down, giving the Sorensens an insurance payout. Their store caught on fire next. With the insurance money from that conflagration, Belle and Mads moved to Austin, Illinois. They fostered children there, two of whom died in the late 1890s. Then Mads' death came, conveniently on the only day his two life insurance policies were both in effect. Belle settled with her surviving foster children in LaPorte, Indiana. There, she communicated with Norwegian immigrants looking for a wife and a partnership in her farm. One, Andrew Helgelien, disappeared after Belle procured much of his money. His worried relatives began sniffing around, until the farmhouse caught on fire on April 28, 1908.

Besides the four burned bodies that appeared to be of Belle and the children, at least 13 more were found buried on her farm. But, as the La Porte County Public Library notes, the woman's body was missing its head and was far smaller than the hefty Gunness. Many assumed that Belle had faked her death and remained at large and ready to kill again. Sightings of her continued for decades after this incident, but no one ever uncovered the fate of Belle Gunness.

10 Ground Beef Recipes Grandpa Loved That We're Still Making Decades Later

Southern Living / MARY ALICE RUSSELL

Comforting and dependable. These are two words that can be used to describe your grandfather or other treasured family member in your life, but these words can also be used to describe a mealtime staple: ground beef. These recipes, nostalgic as well as filling, are like a walk down memory lane with every bite. We've pulled together ground beef recipes that are bound to be family favorites.

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IT'S MILLER TIME

Stephen Miller, Trump's incoming chief of staff, pledges 'total devotion' to the president

The Guardian
ADAM GABBATT IN NEW YORK

Stephen Miller, Donald Trump's most controversial aide and the architect of his sweeping immigration crackdown, has lavished praise on the president after his appointment as White House chief of staff.

In his first public remarks since the move was announced, Miller – who begins the role on Monday – pledged "total devotion" to Trump amid concern the administration is now poised to double down on its far-right, nativist immigration agenda.

"If it wasn't for President Trump the United States of America would not exist right now," Miller, standing alongside his boss, declared at an event on Friday evening. "This man saved America. He saved our military from collapse. He saved our economy from destruction. He saved our border from annihilation. He saved our country from threats at home and abroad which would have been the end of the American dream for ever."

Related: Trump's elevation of Stephen Miller a middle finger to millions of voters

His appointment was unveiled after Americans punished Trump's Republican party in this week's US midterm elections, unleashing a blue wave that swept through parts of the country where Democrats have not won in decades.

As of Saturday morning, Republicans have lost seven seats in the Senate, and Democrats hold narrow leads in the two races – Alaska and Mississippi – that have yet to be called. Republicans have also lost 42 seats in the House of Representatives, and five governor races.

Despite this extraordinary array of losses nationwide – which senior Republicans including JD Vance have blamed on the Iran war and tariffs, key pillars of Trump's agenda – Miller praised the president on Friday for having "saved the Republican party from the ash heap of history and has made it stronger, more popular and more resilient than ever before".

Miller added: "It is the honor of my life to be President Trump's chief of staff, and I swear to you, and I pledge to you, Mr President, my absolute loyalty, my unwavering commitment, and my total devotion to your success and the success of this country."

The speech will likely add to concerns that the Trump administration is set to continue pursuing its hardline immigration agenda, which Miller had been leading in his previous role as deputy chief of staff.

Republicans including longtime Trump ally and adviser Roger Stone and party operative Caroline Wren described Miller as the president's "wartime consigliere", drawing a sharp line under Trump's vague suggestions in recent days that he could seek to work with Democrats after they won back control of the US Congress.

Miller's appointment has been met with dismay by Democrats and some Republicans, with Marlin Stutzman, the Republican congressman from Indiana, describing the move as a "horrible decision" in comments to Politico.

Don Bacon, the outgoing Republican congressman from Nebraska, predicted that Miller will "have an antagonistic relationship with many", telling CNN: "He cost us seats in Texas and Arizona by alienating many Hispanic voters who voted for Trump in 2024."


Stephen Miller outside the White House on 6 November 2026.
Mark Schiefelbein/AP

Miller's appointment was announced as Trump said he expects to make "a few changes" to his team.

"I love my cabinet. I think they're good. But I'll do – be doing maybe a few changes. I don't want to mention who," Trump told 60 Minutes, in an interview due to air on Sunday.

Asked if he has confidence in his defense secretary, Pete Hegseth, who has faced questions over his future in the role as the scale of the Republicans' midterm losses became clear, Trump said "I do", but notably stopped short of crediting him for what the president said were military successes.

Last month, after reports he might replace Susie Wiles as White House chief of staff, Trump was unequivocal: there is "zero chance" that will happen, he told reporters.

ENTERTAIN IN STYLE

A Savvy Weeknight Family Meal

Family Features

Because this time of year can be crazy busy, drive-thru meals can easily become the norm. While fast-food burgers may do the trick once in a while, they can get old quick if your family is eating them every other night. This quick and easy Baked Spaghetti can bring everybody back to the table and it won't break the bank either. Find more weeknight dinner inspiration at Culinary.net.



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Baked Spaghetti

Recipe courtesy of "Cookin' Savvy"
Servings: 4-6
1 pound ground beef
1 pound spaghetti noodles
1 jar (16 ounces) alfredo sauce
1 jar (24 ounces) marinara sauce
2 tablespoons garlic powder
2 Tablespoons onion powder
salt, to taste
pepper, to taste
2 cups shredded cheese
French bread or breadsticks, for serving

Heat oven to 350 F.

Brown and drain ground beef. Cook noodles according to package instructions. Drain noodles; add alfredo sauce and mix well.

Add marinara sauce, garlic powder and onion powder to ground beef. Season with salt and pepper, to taste.

Place noodles in 9-by-13-inch baking dish. Spoon beef mixture on top but do not mix in. Cover with shredded cheese then cover with foil and bake 30-40 minutes.

Serve with French bread or breadsticks

LAST CALL:
These Chain Stores Are Closed 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?

Mango Airlines
Year Established: 2006
Store Closures: TBD (Currently Grounded)

This one is still up in the air. Mango Airlines is a regional airline with a hub at O.R. Tambo International. The South African airline's parent company is South African Airways, and it is headquartered in Gauteng. Mango launched in 2006, and its financial future is now shaky, thanks to South African Airways' economic state.

The low-cost airline has around 750 employees and two fleets. In late April of 2021, Mango was grounded because it didn't pay its debts to the Airports Company to South Africa. No Mango airliners are able to take off until a resolution is reached. Likely, the only way out for Mango is a bailout if the South African government can grant South African Airways money.

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Ruby Tuesday
Year Established: 1972
Store Closures: 185 Branches*

Ruby Tuesday, a restaurant chain serving fast-casual American food, has been shrinking lately. It is continuing to close a total of 185 of its chains. The restaurant filed for Chapter 11 in October of 2020, and its fate is a little less shaky, but still up in the air.

The bankruptcy filing was designed to cut its debts, and Ruby Tuesday said it and its secured lenders had "reached an understanding…to support…restructuring." Ruby Tuesday has 236 company-owned locations left, in addition to an unlisted amount of locations, which are run by ten different franchisee groups. Ruby Tuesday said that, other than the 185 closures, it "does not anticipate" more will happen.

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Applebee's
Year Established: 1980
Store Closures: 15 Branches*

Speaking of American fast-casual dining, Applebee's is yet another restaurant chain to feel the effects of 2020. Applebee's has been around for several decades, and it seems like it's hard to find a neighborhood without the chain. However, some neighborhoods might find that they're lacking an Applebee's, as the brand said it would be closing an additional fifteen stores in the final quarter of 2020.

These fifteen were tacked onto the additional twenty that the chain closed the quarter before, bringing the total number of closures to 100. Overall, Applebee's has a plan to close two hundred underperforming locations, but the rest of the closures are TBD.

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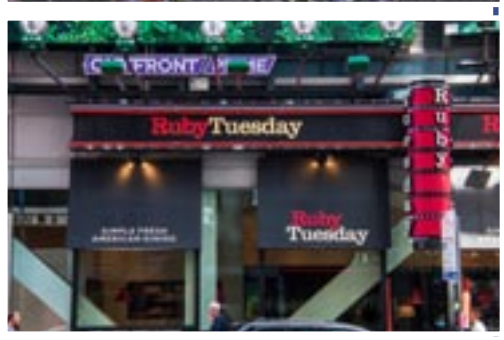
Steak N Shake
Year Established: 1934
Store Closures: 83 Branches*

Steak'n Shake has often been people's first choice for a milkshake and a burger, but the chain recently closed 13% of its restaurants. Steak'n Shake started 2020 with 610 restaurants, and it shut down eight-three of them.

As of March of 2021, Steak'n Shake announced that it was debt-free after the company narrowly avoided bankruptcy, thanks to an angel buyer. The restaurant chain had $153 million in debt, which was paid off by Biglari Holdings, meaning that Steak'n Shake didn't have to file for Chapter 11. Funds from the 83 locations the chain sold went to implement a totally new service model, developed by Biglari.

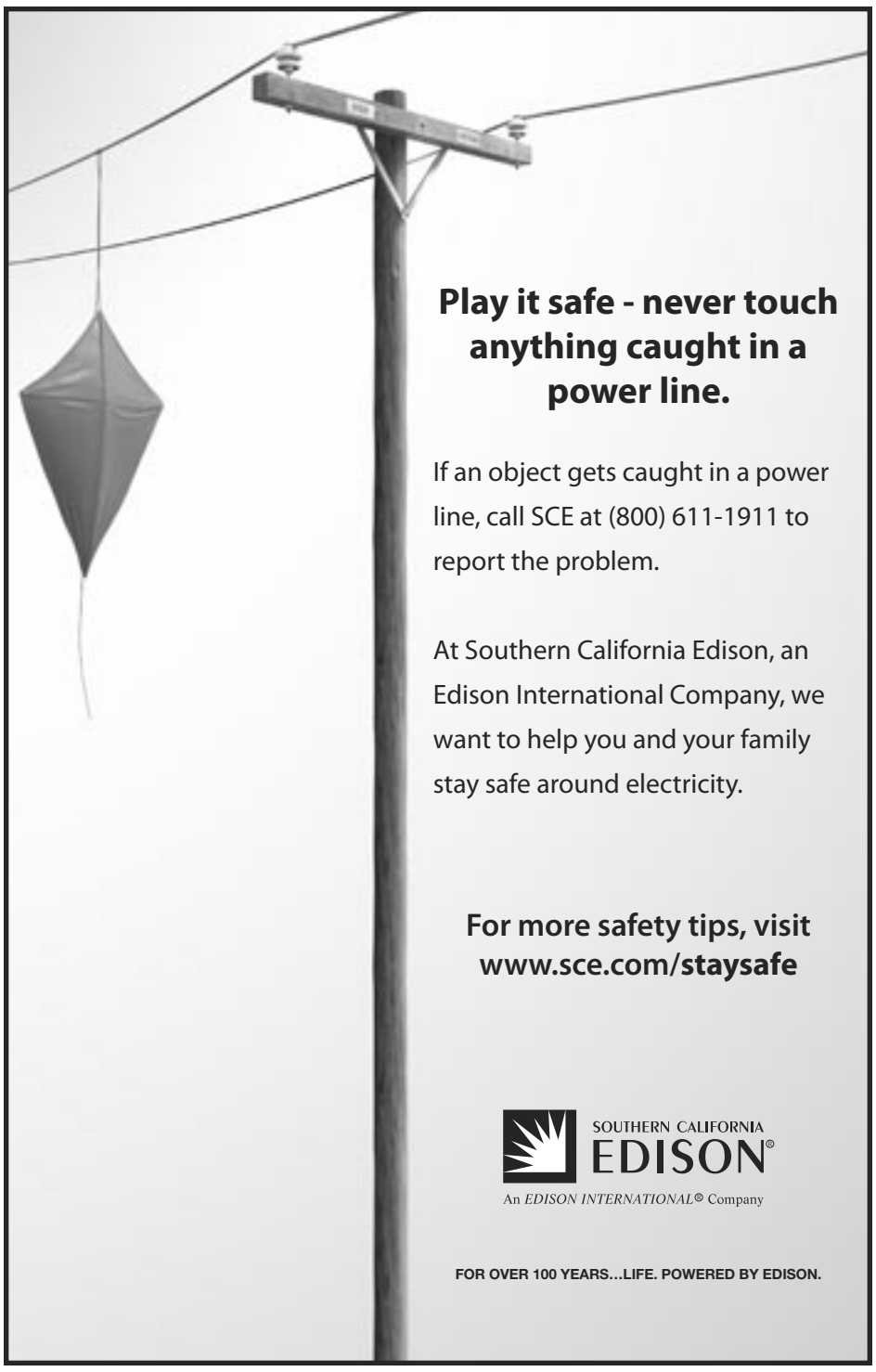
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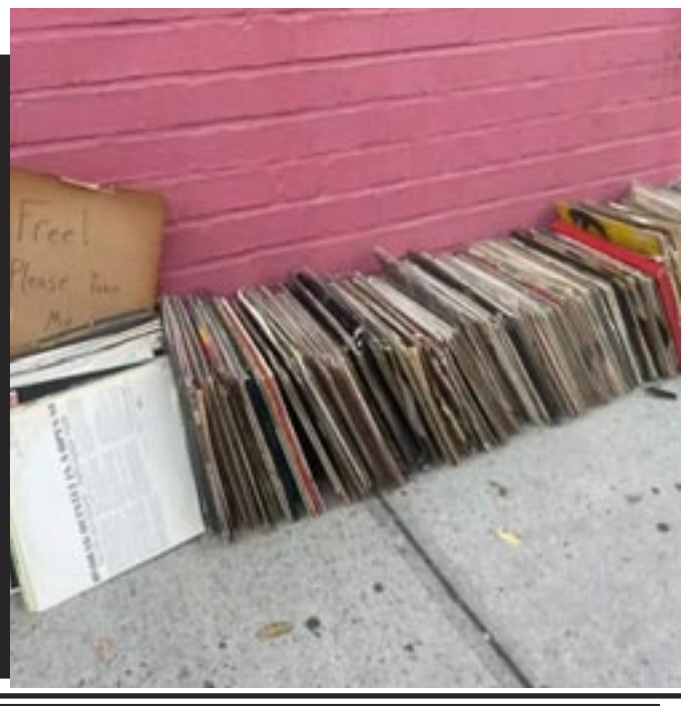
ONE MAN'S TRASH, ANOTHER'S JACKPOT: WILD STOOPING DISCOVERIES IN NEW YORK

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New York City is known for many things. It is a haven of diversity, a global hub of finance and arts, and, as a famous popstar once encapsulated it, a "concrete jungle where dreams are made of." It is also where you can take home free stuff from the streets.

For New Yorkers, this practice is known as "stooping," and fascinatingly enough, people do encounter excellent finds. This trend has taken a life of its own, and there is a dedicated Instagram account for it.

We've collected photos from the page showing discarded furniture, pop culture mementos, and artwork worthy of the centerpiece spot in the living room. Indeed, NYC is a captivating place.



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We're gonna need a bigger boat! Angler reels in 114lb carp

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An angler has reeled in a monstrous 114lb carp in a catch hailed as a new world record.

Ash Hegarty, 32, landed the whopping 52kg (114lb 10oz) beast after travelling 1,300 miles to a lake renowned for its enormous fish.

The fisherman from Lancashire ventured to Euro Aqua Lake in Hungary with his older brother Nigel, 44, hoping for a good catch.

But the pair could never have imagined they would make angling history when a monster carp named Angelina took the bait.

The catch came after Michel, the lake owner, made an unusual prediction.

Mr Hegarty said: "When we got to our peg, Michel told us we were going to catch a 'big mamma'.

"He told us he could predict it – that we were going to catch a big fish with a name beginning with an 'A'."

The angler initially dismissed the prediction but admitted he had a strange feeling about the trip.

He said: "As soon as you go to a place like that, you get a mad feeling – excitement, nerves, butterflies."

A couple of days into the trip, Mr Hegarty had already landed several enormous carp and felt everything was falling perfectly into place.

He said: "The atmosphere felt mad with excitement.

"Everything was going my way, I was getting every rod bang on. Something strange was happening."

Exhausted after just two hours of sleep the previous night, Mr Hegarty finally decided to grab a nap.

But as he was about to roll over, his fishing alarm sounded. One of his six rods had hooked something large.

'Like a car tyre in my net'

When the brothers finally brought the monster to the surface, they could scarcely believe its size.

"The only way I could describe it was like a car tyre in my net," said Mr Hegarty.

"The carp was so big that my brother had to scoop it up three times in the net.

"I thought, what the hell is that? I've never seen something like that in my life."

Of the six rods he had positioned in the water, the giant fish had taken the bait on the one bearing a photograph of his late father.

The keyring carried the only picture he had of his father, who died three years ago, with his young son.

The brothers' father had introduced them to fishing as children, and the hobby has remained an important part of their lives ever since.

"I wish I could have rang my dad and told him that his son is a world record holder," Mr Hegarty said.

His catch surpassed the record of a 112lb 14oz (51.2kg) mirror carp landed by Michel Schoenmakers at the same lake in November 2018.



Ash Hegarty travelled from Lancashire to Hungary for his record-breaking catch



Ash Hegarty (centre) celebrates his monster catch with fellow anglers

"Happy Days" Star Henry Winkler Reveals the 'Unbelievable' Birthday Gift That 'Thoughtful' Ron Howard Sends Him Every Year



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Henry Winkler says Ron Howard sends him a basket of cheese and crackers for his birthday each year

The Happy Days costars have remained close friends for five decades

Winkler says he would gladly work with Howard again but jokes they cannot top Night Shift

Henry Winkler celebrated his 81st birthday on Oct. 30 — and longtime friend Ron Howard made sure he didn't miss it.

Winkler reflected on the big day during an appearance on Good Morning America, sharing the sweet gift his Happy Days costar sends him every year.

"Every year, I forget his, and he sends me this unbelievable basket of cheese and crackers," Winkler said of Howard, 72.

"He's so thoughtful," Winkler added. "You know, I met him when he was 18. I was 27."

The two became household names in the '70s on the hit sitcom, with Winkler playing Arthur "Fonzie" Fonzarelli while Howard portrayed Richie Cunningham.

Winkler and Howard have remained friends for the last 50 years, yet the Barry star admitted he isn't as consistent when it comes to gift-giving.

"I do [forget his birthday]," Winkler said. "I know that it's on March 1, but I never seem to send him cheese."

Still, Winkler notes that it hasn't impacted their friendship.

"I love him very much," he added.

While catching up with PEOPLE in August, Winkler admitted he would jump at the opportunity to work with his former costar again, but had "no idea" if Howard felt the same.

Howard left Happy Days in 1980, but the iconic costars reunited just two years later in Night Shift. Howard directed the movie while Winkler played Chuck Lumley, a former stockbroker working in a morgue.

Although the Waterboy actor would love to collaborate with Howard again, he joked that they "can't do anything better" than the beloved 1982 comedy.

While Winkler, who is set to voice an animated character on the Disney cartoon SuperKitties, has been working in Hollywood for five decades, the actor has no plans to slow down.

He recently shared on Graham Bensinger's In Depth podcast that work for him feels like "heaven," noting that he loves the process of trying to figure out each of his characters.

"I love the job. I love my job," he said. "It is like putting a puzzle, a jigsaw puzzle, together and most of the pieces [are] of the same color."

If he were to retire, he admitted he would likely "wither" away — which is why he hopes to keep busy for as long as possible.

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Winkler appears in Disney's new animated movie Hexed (in theaters Nov. 25).

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From the Editors of E/The Environmental Magazine

Dear EarthTalk: How can cloning endangered trees help fight climate change?
~ O. Jones, via email

With only five percent of old-growth coast redwood forests left after extensive logging, conservationists are developing methods to restore these carbon-rich ecosystems. Forests absorb atmospheric carbon dioxide (CO2) through photosynthesis, storing carbon their mass and surrounding soil. Organizations like Archangel Ancient Tree Archive (AATA) are using cloning to replenish these forests.



Researchers are cloning American chestnuts and other trees that have not thrived in recent years as invasives move in. *Credit: Pexels.com.*

Cloning involves clonal propagation, where scientists replicate trees from living tissue, producing genetically identical saplings. AATA, founded by tree farmer David Milarch, collects genetic material from ancient "champion trees"—exceptionally old and large specimens—to preserve ancient genetic material. AATA's Jake Milarch, who oversees tree propagation, has collected cuttings from the approximately 1000-year-old Brotherhood Tree, hoping to reproduce its genetics. As Milarch explained, "it's proven itself over time, that it can deal with adverse conditions."

Old-growth coast redwoods are particularly valuable to restore due to their unique traits. Research shows that since redwoods are old and massive, they sequester more carbon and support greater biodiversity than younger forests. They can also live for thousands of years, while their thick, tannin-rich bark is naturally resistant to fire and insects. Due to their natural size, longevity, and strength, restoring redwood forests can contribute effective long-term carbon storage.

Beyond cloning, researchers are also exploring genetic engineering to strengthen trees, creating saplings that will grow into trees resistant to an even greater array of threats. Scientists at SUNY-ESF have applied this strategy to American chestnuts, introducing a wheat gene that would provide the nuts the enzymes to break down a toxin produced by blight fungi. Andrew Newhouse, director of the chestnut restoration project, attributes their success to the development of synthetic biology, which "opens up possibilities that really haven't existed until now to address this problem."

However, genetic engineering still raises concerns that may require it to undergo years of development and testing before practical, widespread application. Smithsonian reported that experimental Darling 54 chestnuts demonstrated slower growth and higher mortality rates—unintended side effects that prompted the American Chestnut Foundation to withdraw support. With further development and consideration of limitations, genetic engineering can be a powerful tool to secure a forest's future. But as Canadian forest scientist Armand Seguin states: "I don't think gene editing is the solution, but it's part of the solution".

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Cocktails & WOMEN

Jerk-Spiced Bloody Mary Cocktail

By Toni Tipton-Martin

The Bloody Mary has long been a popular morning-after drink, known for its ability to soothe symptoms of a hangover. There are just a few recipes in my collection of African American cookbooks for the classic combination, which is ordinarily made with vodka, tomato juice, Worcestershire sauce, and seasonings, but the drink is experiencing a bit of a renaissance lately. The Bottomless Bloody Mary on restaurant brunch menus, made more boldly with rum, flavored vodka, and potent spices, may be driving this trend.

Ingredients

1 quart tomato juice or Campbell's V8 juice
1/2 cup plus 1 tablespoon prepared jerk seasoning
1 teaspoon celery salt
3/4 ounce worcestershire sauce
4 ounces fresh lime or lemon juice
1 1/2 teaspoons hot pepper sauce, or to taste
8 ounces light or dark rum
8–10 lime or lemon wedges
8–10 celery stalks, with leaves

Directions

Combine the tomato juice, 1 tablespoon of the jerk seasoning, the celery salt, and Worcestershire sauce in a small microwave- safe pitcher. Microwave until bubbles just begin to form around the edge of the pitcher, 2 to 3 minutes.

Remove it from the microwave and stir to dissolve the seasoning. Add the lime juice, hot pepper sauce, and rum to the base.

Refrigerate several hours, until thoroughly chilled.

Place the remaining ½ cup jerk seasoning on a saucer. Moisten the edges of tall glasses with a lime wedge. Press the edge of each glass into the seasoning *to create a spiced rim.*

Add ice to each glass, then pour in the mix. Garnish each glass with 1 lime wedge and a celery stalk.



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JANE AUSTEN



Jane Austen (1775 – 1817) English author who wrote romantic fiction combined with social realism. Her famous novels include Sense and Sensibility (1811), Pride and Prejudice (1813), Mansfield Park (1814) and Emma (1816).

WRONG SPORT

We truly have no idea what this fan was thinking, pulling out a huge sign that says "golf is fun too" at a hockey game.

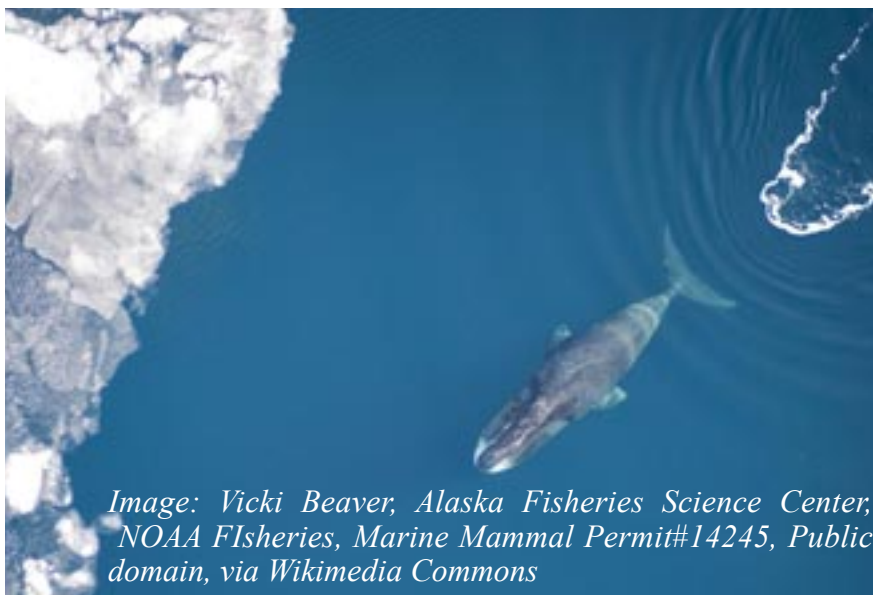
We're not arguing, golf can certainly be a fun sport, but he is nowhere near a putting green, and he seems to have gotten his sports mixed up. The sign is bound to cause some confusion on the ice, since it's been placed in a prime position for the hockey players to see.



What is the oldest living animal on Earth?

The answer will shock you!

Nature doesn't just create beauty, it crafts survival miracles. While most animals have short lives, a rare few have mastered the art of staying alive for centuries, even millennia. These aren't just long-lived creatures; they're nature's ultimate time travelers. From the frozen depths of the oceans to the darkest corners underground, they've developed bizarre, brilliant strategies to cheat death. Get ready to meet the animals whose lifespans will absolutely blow your mind.


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Bowhead Whale (Balaena mysticetus) Record age: over 211 years

This whale is a true ocean giant, stretching up to 60 feet long and weighing a staggering 200,000 pounds. But what makes it stand out isn't just its size but its age. Some of these majestic creatures carry harpoons from the 1800s still lodged in their skin, like walking history books. Just picture living so long that you're literally carrying outdated technology embedded in your body—talk about being a time traveler of the seas!

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This is how big a baby kangaroo is when it's born:

A tiny, hairless animal embryo rests in an open palm, showing its delicate features against a blurred background

It's about the size of a quarter. It then spends the next 4 months or so in its mother's pouch.


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Restaurants Worth Crowing About

When it comes to restaurants, looks can be deceiving. Great food can come from almost any kitchen, whether the restaurant is fancy or not. It's the unassuming spots that often prepare some of the best fried chicken, maybe because fried chicken is an unassuming dish itself. We examined customer reviews and expert recommendations to find fried chicken joints in every state that offer fantastic chicken in an unpretentious atmosphere. Next time you're in the mood for Southern-style fried chicken, check out these hole-in-the-wall joints, walk-up windows, drive-thrus, truck stops, and gas stations for a bucket of fried goodness — and maybe a side of potatoes while you're at it.



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Bertha's Kitchen (Charleston, South Carolina)

Bertha's Kitchen is named for Alberta Grant, who founded this place back in 1980. Fast forward to 2017 and the restaurant was in the capable hands of her three daughters. They're so capable, in fact, that it's the year that saw them honored with the America's Classic award from the James Beard Foundation, and the award came with mentions of dishes from the okra soup to the fried pork chops.

And yes, while there's little to no social media presence for this place, what is on the menu includes some fried chicken that's lauded as ultra-fresh and deliciously steamy. Customers report that the love and care that goes into the scratch-made fried chicken shines through from the plate, and some report it's not just the best in the area or the state, but the best, period.

That's high praise, but some have even higher praise: This is the kind of fried chicken that takes them back to their childhood, and classic Southern dishes coming out of their own mother's kitchen. Bertha's might not top mama's fried chicken, but it's darn close — and that's the best praise there is.

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On the Dark Side or Maybe the Lighter Side...

'DANA, PLEASE TAKE THE JOB!' - TRUMP ASKS UFC BOSS TO BE WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY

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Updated Sat, November 7, 2026 at 6:07 PM PST

US President Donald Trump has asked Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC) boss Dana White to be White House press secretary, in a social media post.



President Donald Trump (L) and UFC CEO Dana White at the White House in Washington on 14 June 2026

"Dana will be a Press Secretary like none other," Trump wrote on Truth Social. "Dana, please take the job!"

It was unclear whether the president's public job offer was genuine, although White said later on Saturday: "I'm going to meet with him, we have a meeting on Monday".

The vacancy for White House press secretary has been open since mid-October, when Katie Zacharia quit less than five days into the job.

Trump's post on Saturday afternoon comes after his fellow Republicans were routed in the US midterm elections, losing their congressional majorities.

The president called White "a violent Fighter and Warrior" and asked that he bring a number of high-profile UFC fighters with him on the job "even though some are not from our Country".

"We need these people to defend us against the Lunatic Left," Trump wrote, alongside photos of the six fighters.

Following Trump's post, White posted an Instagram photo of himself behind the lectern in the White House press briefing room.

"On to the next chapter," White wrote, though it was unclear if the post was tongue-in-cheek.

"Hell yeah! Do it, @DanaWhite!" White House communications director Steven Cheung posted on X, as he shared the president's message.

President Trump and Dana White have long been friends

White was ringside for a fight in London on Saturday night between British former world champion Chris Billam-Smith and Jamaican-born Briton Cheavon Clarke at the Copper Box Arena.

Asked about the Trump offer at a news conference afterwards, the UFC chief executive said he was flying to Washington for a meeting with Trump on Monday.

"I got a lot of jobs already," he told reporters.

"I'm sure we'll have something to talk about after that," he added, without being drawn on whether he was interested in taking on one of the most gruelling jobs in the political arena.

CNN cited a source familiar as saying that White had declined the idea.

As he noted in the news conference, he already has a number of time-consuming commitments.

As well as leading UFC and Power Slap, a regulated slap-fighting promotion league, he has just launched Zuffa Boxing, a professional promotion company.

And last year he was unveiled as one of three new board members of Meta, the owner of Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp.

Islam Makhachev, a Russian, was one of the fighters that Trump suggested Dana White bring with him to the job

Famously combative, White has at times clashed with journalists covering the sport during news conferences.

He released a clip in 2020 lambasting reporters who had questioned the UFC's decision to hold fights during the pandemic.

In 2009, he released an expletive-laden video tirade using an anti-gay slur while rebutting a journalist's story about changes to credential rules backstage at UFC events.

White is a longtime ally - and friend - of Trump.

When White and his business partners bought the then-struggling UFC organization for $2m in 2001, the sport's future seemed uncertain.

Just five years earlier, Republican Senator John McCain had famously labelled mixed martial arts "human cockfighting", sparking bans in 36 US states.

"None of the venues wanted [the UFC]," White said in 2025. "They didn't believe in it. They didn't like it, and they were worried about the type of crowd that would show up for this type of event."

With mainstream arenas shutting them out, White credits Trump with saving the organization by hosting two UFC events at the Trump Taj Mahal casino in Atlantic City, New Jersey, in 2001.

White became a speaker for Trump's White House campaigns at the Republican National Conventions in 2016, 2020 and 2024.

Good News/ Bad News

Monica Lewinsky in a Sheer Netted LBD With the Deepest Neckline at LACMA Gala

LARA WALSH / Sun

THE GIST

• Monica Lewinsky turned heads in an ultra-plunging LBD with sheer side cutouts at the 2026 LACMA gala on November 7.

• The writer's daring black gown dipped down to her belly button with a sheer netted panel.

• Lewinsky previously wore the same dress while attending the 2025 Oscars after-party.

Monica Lewinsky had fans feeling déjà vu as she gave one of her most revealing looks yet a second red carpet appearance. On November 7, the activist joined the star-studded attendees at the 2026 LACMA gala while stepping out in an ultra-plunging sheer black gown that dipped all the way down to her belly button.

The 53-year-old star turned heads in the NSFW sleeveless LBD, which she previously wore at a 2025 Oscars after-party. As she posed outside the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Lewinsky showed off the column gown's side-baring cutouts and its deep neckline, both of which were covered in sheer mesh panels. The see-through material was bejeweled with intricate black beads, creating a shimmering netted effect.

For her glamorous rewear, the podcast host styled her auburn-highlighted dark brunette hair in a voluminous half-up style with a deep side part, showing off a pair of silver earrings. She finished off her gala look with dainty bracelets and nude-colored pointed-toe stilettos that were covered in a sheer black lace overlay. Lewinsky accented her features with a warm peach flush on her cheekbones and eyelids, as well as a glossy pink lip.



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While attending the Vanity Fair Oscar Party in March 2025, the star styled the show-stealing LBD with the same shoes. However, she styled her brunette locks in a sleek side-parted blowout with piecey bangs and added some sparkle in the form of dangling pavé diamond earrings and cocktail rings.

Earlier this year, Lewinsky made a red-hot entrance at LACMA while attending the star-studded 2026 Oscars after-party. The TV producer tapped into her inner leading lady with the strapless red gown, which featured a low-cut sweetheart neckline that dipped to her ribs and a sculptural ruched bodice. Pushing her caramel-highlighted tresses behind her ears, Lewinsky switched up her signature glam with a bright red lipstick and added a pair of shimmering earrings.

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MOST EXPENSIVE Cars Owned by Richest Celebrities Will Numb Your Head

Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson Pagani Huayra, Estimated $1.5 Million

Dwayne Johnson has a significant fan adhering from his days in battling through to his current profession in acting. His movies in 2018, which include High-rise Building and Rampage, were huge hits and they have actually been making him money to keep up his premium way of life.

In 2019, he'll make extra dough with Fighting With My Family Members and Jumanji 3, among other manufacturers. He is an auto lover much like his personality in The Quick and the Furious movies and has a couple of outstanding sets of wheels. His Pagani Huayra is pimped out and screams glamour and beauty! The cars and trucks are valued at concerning $220 million from the supplier.



Nonsense-Sounding Statements That Turned Out To Be True

Bored Panda / ROBYN SMITH

Don't believe everything you read on the internet. By now, we can all agree that it's full of fake stuff and AI isn't helping the situation. Misinformation spreads like wildfire and often, it's disguised so well that you might be none the wiser. But sometimes, fact is indeed stranger than fiction and the things that sound like complete and utter rubbish turn out to be true.

Humans glow. The universe is beige. Per capita, the Vatican has the highest crime rate in the world. Those were just some of the statements that popped up when someone recently asked, "What sounds like complete nonsense, but has been proven to be true?"

Bored Panda has put together a captivating and surprising list of the best answers. From biology to geography, psychology to history, and everything under the sun, there's enough here for anyone looking to sound a little more clued up at that next social gathering. Don't forget to upvote your favorites and feel free to share your own "nonsense-sounding" gems in the comments section below.



#1 Humans have stripes, they're called blaschko lines, they only normally appear visible if you have specific skin conditions/syndromes.

There are theories though that some animals can see them visibly even without those presenting conditions, which would be funny, if our pets are just thinking we're goofy striped animals.

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#2 Today, I learned about left-handed anger! If you have an angry impulse, act it out with your left hand instead cause you look so weak and stupid doing it, It's automatically funny and you deescalate yourself.

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#3 The Banach-Tarski Paradox. It's a mathematical theorem that essentially states, if you have a solid ball, you can break it up into five disjoint sets of points, move them and rotate them, and end up with two separate solid balls of the same size as the original. In effect, duplicating a ball by cutting it up and rearranging it.

I love me my weird math facts, but this is one that I have trouble accepting sometimes.

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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.



Vintage Ikea Furniture
Maker: IKEA
Original Price: $50-$500*
Worth Today: $1,000-$15,000*

Though IKEA has become known for its minimalistic, simple designs that are the height of modernism, let's not forget that the Swedish company has been around since 1943. There are vintage IKEA pieces, and some of these can be quite valuable (others, not so much).

Pieces like the Ikea Rich Ake Easy Chair, Tufted Sofa from the late 1960s, and Singoalla Lounge sell for serious money. One IKEA Ake Easy Chair in a cream color costs $10,701 on 1stDibs. A Kroken Easy Chair with Footstool costs $1,105. The vintage IKEA market is booming, and pieces are selling for prices ten times what they originally were.

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Original 1959 Barbie
Maker: Mattel
Original Price: $3*
Worth Today: $27,450*

Before Barbie dolls were invented, dolls were always babies or stuffed toys. Barbie revolutionized the doll market and went on to revolutionize the toy industry as a whole. The small, unrealistically proportioned Barbie evolved every decade with new shoes, new careers, and finally today, new shapes and colors.



Mattel was the first toy company to ever show advertising to children and this contributed greatly to the original sales of Barbie, as they were not without their fair share of criticism due to lack of diversity and polarized gender roles. Barbie dolls are highly collectible today and if you can get your hands on an original 1959 Barbie you have got yourself a small fortune wearing heels.

When you think about the relatively small purchase price of just $3 originally, this marks a great return on investment. However, just like with any collectible, the unboxed, untouched Barbies will fetch the highest price at auction. Barbies missing limbs definitely don't appeal to the market.

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1927 World Series Ticket Stub
Maker: Major League Baseball
Original Price: $1*
Worth Today: $41,825*

In 1927, The Yankees League with legends Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig won a record-breaking 110 games and finished with a whopping 19-game lead. Considered the greatest team in the history of baseball, if you were at the Series you witnessed the best there is according to superfans.

So much so that even if you have a ticket stub you can fetch over $40,000. Sports memorabilia is taken very seriously amongst collectors and this is a great example of why. The tickets will originally have cost around $1, so that's a rather impressive return on investment.



It just goes to show that it isn't always about the item itself, but what the item represents. In reality a ticket stub is just a flimsy piece of card, but the historical connotations can't be underestimated. Any self-respecting sports collector would love to have this in their cabinet.

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Interesting Old Photos for People who Love History

Bored Panda / ROKAS LAURINAVIČIUS

The world is constantly changing, and eventually, our memory alone isn't enough to portray how things really were. It can distort important details, leaving gaps in our understanding of the past. That's why archives are so valuable.

The Facebook group Old Historical Photos is home to hundreds of images from days gone by. Thanks to the community's dedication to record keeping, we get to see the events, places, and people that might otherwise be lost to time. Previous eras feel much more tangible.

#1



Helen Mirren once said: Before you argue with someone, ask yourself, is that person even mentally mature enough to grasp the concept of a different perspective. Because if not, there's absolutely no point. Not every argument is worth your energy. Sometimes, no matter how clearly you express yourself, the other person isn't listening to understand—they're listening to react. They're stuck in their own perspective, unwilling to consider another viewpoint, and engaging with them only drains you. There's a difference between a healthy discussion and a pointless debate. A conversation with someone who is open-minded, who values growth and understanding, can be enlightening—even if you don't agree. But trying to reason with someone who refuses to see beyond their own beliefs? That's like talking to a wall. No matter how much logic or truth you present, they will twist, deflect, or dismiss your words, not because you're wrong, but because they're unwilling to see another side. Maturity isn't about who wins an argument—it's about knowing when an argument isn't worth having. It's realizing that your peace is more valuable than proving a point to someone who has already decided they won't change their mind. Not every battle needs to be fought. Not every person deserves your explanation. Sometimes, the strongest thing you can do is walk away—not because you have nothing to say, but because you recognize that some people aren't ready to listen. And that's not your burden to carry.

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A young woman in her kitchen in Jefferson, Texas, 1939.

"Woven with Power: The Tlingit Chilkat Coat of Prestige and Spirit"Crafted in the late 19th century, this Tlingit Chilkat coat—dated to around 1885 CE—is far more than a garment. It is a living tapestry of Indigenous tradition, identity, and prestige, woven with techniques passed down through generations. Now preserved at the Portland Art Museum, this extraordinary robe is a product of Tlingit artistry and cultural expression, made from mountain goat wool, otter fur, and strips of cedar bark—materials as deeply rooted in the land as the people who fashioned them.The Chilkat robe is among the most sacred and intricate textiles of the Pacific Northwest Coast. Named after the Chilkat Tlingit people of Alaska, these robes were traditionally worn by high-ranking clan leaders during dances and ceremonies, each design imbued with clan crests, ancestral spirits, and cosmological symbols. The complex abstract forms, known as formline design, depict animals and mythical beings, each shape flowing into the next with striking symmetry. The weaving technique is so time-consuming and skillful that a single robe could take a year or more to complete.More than ceremonial regalia, Chilkat robes functioned as emblems of status, lineage, and power. The materials themselves carry meaning—mountain goat wool symbolizes the harsh alpine spirit world, cedar bark embodies protection and purification, and otter fur, soft and sleek, adds both elegance and practicality. These robes were not simply worn; they were inherited, danced, and revered, often wrapped around chiefs during speeches to invoke ancestral authority or presented as treasured gifts during potlatch ceremonies. Today, as this piece rests in a museum far from its coastal homeland, it serves not only as a masterpiece of textile art but also as a reminder of the resilience and richness of Indigenous cultures. It invites us to reflect on the Tlingit worldview, where every thread is a story, every symbol a spirit, and every garment a bridge between past and present.

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Not Just Academic Excellence, Poise, Charm and Talent – Beautiful Young Ladies

sponsored by the Huntington Beach Auto Dealers Association, thrilled the audience singing "Show Off." Her Community Service Initiative is "Share the Stage – Theatre for All." She received a $5,000 scholarship and a diamond pendant from Mimi's Jewelry valued at $3,000.

Mercado, a local High School student, impressed the audience with energetic baton twirling. Her Community Service Initiative is "Letters for Military Families." She received a $750 scholarship and a silver necklace valued at $1,000.

"The girls knocked it out of the park tonight, and with the help of our sponsors, we had our largest audience ever," said Executive Director Sandi Licata. "All 13 contestants truly shined."

Special guests included Miss California Sharlize True Trujillo and Miss California's Teen Julieane Rocke. The FV Shining Stars, girls ages 5–12, sang the National Anthem.

The Foundation thanked Title Sponsor FV Community Foundation, with a grant from Hyundai Motor America, and Gold Sponsor Sapphire Center.

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The After PARTY

Lunch at the Sandbar



Three crowns, two Hawaiian shirts, and somehow the Old Gray Mayor still made the official photo.

Left to right: Miss Fountain Valley's Teen 2027 Gracia Mercado
Miss California Sharlize True Trujillo · Mayor Pro Tem Butch Twining
Miss Fountain Valley 2027 Malia Walker · Old Gray Mayor Dave "Mr. Wonderful" Garofalo

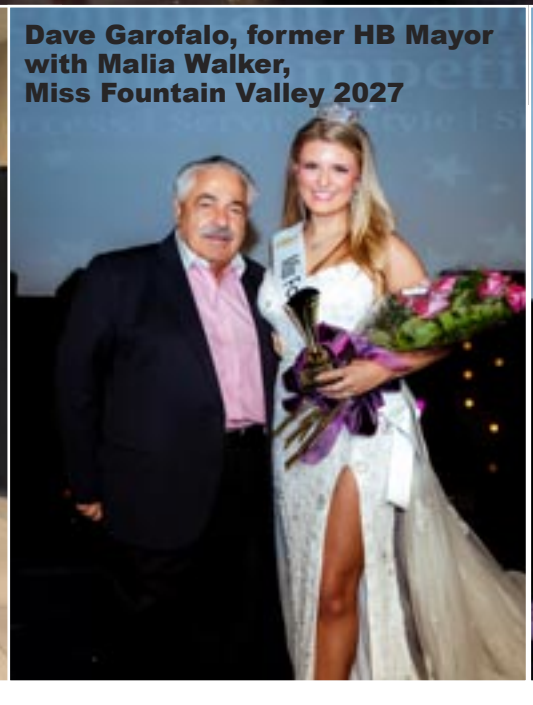
The ladies brought the sparkle. Butch and I brought the shirts. Thank-yous all around!

Pictured from left to right:
Jocelyn Ivers
Audrey Severson
Kaylee Fair
Jordyn Muller, Teen 2nd RU
Emma Rose Barclay, Teen 1st RU
Gracia Mercado, Miss Fountain Valley's Teen 2027
Malia Walker, Miss Fountain Valley 2027
Cielo Chavarria, Miss 1st RU
Britney Lam, Miss 2nd RU
Yuria Takenoue
Sophie Nessary
Ariana Ingwerson
Dalylah Neligh





**Mayor Jim Cunneen and wife Mimi.
Dr. Van Vu, Miss Fountain Valley Board Member, and Sponsor Kevin Hizon, Esq., Miss Fountain Valley Board Member and Sponsor**



Dave Garofalo, former HB Mayor with Malia Walker, Miss Fountain Valley 2027



**Gracia Mercado, Miss Fountain Valley's Teen 2027
Malia Walker, Miss Fountain Valley 2027**



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