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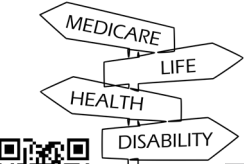
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**Everybody's Talking!**

**Horn reform:** In Cambodia, if you install a musical horn in your vehicle, you will be in trouble. The prime minister has ordered police across the country to enforce an order that car owners replace musical horns with normal horns. The leader had seen videos on social media of "inappropriate activity" associated with the musical horns, such as people, especially children and youth, dancing on the roads and roadsides as passing vehicles play tunes, creating a serious safety hazard. He has mandated that any musical horn should be ripped out and replaced with the standard honking kind. While this new law may take away some music from the streets, it aims to significantly improve road safety.

**Camelids year:** The year 2024 has been designated as the Year of the Camelids, a diverse group of animals including camels, guanacos, and vicuñas, which are all part of the camel family, as well as llamas and alpacas. Recognizing their vital role in sustaining the livelihoods of millions of people across 90 countries in harsh environments, the United Nations has bestowed this honor upon them. These remarkable creatures provide essential resources such as food, milk, transportation, fibers, and fertilizer. Particularly notable is the camel's ability to thrive in arid regions with minimal water requirements, which makes them invaluable for transportation across deserts and drylands.

**Learn to drive:** A woman from Colorado (U.S.), who had been arrested in the past for car theft and spent time in jail, attempted to steal another vehicle shortly after her release. However, police weren't the ones who foiled her plan. The issue arose when she realized the vehicle she'd stolen was a pickup truck with a stick shift. Lacking the skill to operate a vehicle with a manual transmission, she abandoned it, leading to the truck rolling and hitting a fire hydrant. Subsequently, she was arrested again and faced new charges of motor vehicle theft, careless driving, driving without a license, and failing to report a crash. The stolen truck was returned to its owner.

**Rare birth:** In the confines of Thomas Belt Zoo in Juigalpa, Nicaragua, a mother puma welcomed three adorable cubs into the world. Two of them boasted a striking golden hue adorned with dark brown spots, while the third stood out due to its pristine white fur. This rare white cub was born with albinism, a condition believed to be shared by only a handful of pumas worldwide. Dubbed Itzae, meaning "Gift from God" in the Mayan language, the cub has quickly become a star attraction since her introduction to the public. Visitors flock to catch a glimpse of this extraordinary feline, marveling at her uncommon beauty and significance in the animal kingdom.

**Quoteable Quotes**

"Friendship is serious affection; the most sublime of all affections, because it is founded on principle, and cemented by time." —Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley

"You're only given a little spark of madness. You mustn't lose it." —Robin Williams

**What's Happening**

- **UNIDOS Community Meeting on Fraud Education** 18 Sep 2024 06:30 PM - 07:30 PM Fraud awareness and prevention from most common tactics used by criminals, topics will include phone scams, rental property scams and vehicle title scams. Main Library, 901 Conover Dr., Grand Prairie 75051 972-237-8959
- **Fish Creek Community Fair and Bike Ride:** Next date: Thursday, September 19, 2024 | 05:30 PM Join Mayor Jensen for a 5-mile bike ride. Enjoy Kona Ice, hot dogs, a bubble bus and games for all ages. Community Fair: 5:30 p.m. Bike Ride: 6:30 p.m. 972-237-8055
- **THE 2024 SAVING SMILE BICKNELL CUP Honoring Dr. Carolyn Wicker, DVM** Join us Friday, September 20, 2024 at Prairie Lakes Golf Course for the 25th Annual Saving Smiles Golf Tournament. Register your golf team or be a sponsor. Info: grandprairierotary.com/golfclassic
- **National Night Out Kickoff Party** Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024 | 06:30 PM to 08:30 PM Join us for the Grand Prairie Police Department's National Night Out Kickoff Party on September 21 at EpicCentral. Let's bring our #commUNITY and police together, with the added intent of promoting National Night Out block party registrations in Grand Prairie.
- **Grand Prairie Animal Services Birthday Party Grand Prairie Animal Services is turning 21!** Its time to PAW-TY! Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024 | 12:00 PM to 06:00 PM Animal Services, 2222 W. Warrior Trail, 75052 972-237-8575

**Trivia**

1. A snow crystal has how many sides?
2. Zone Improvement Plan is more commonly known as the \_\_\_ code.
3. The pig in *Charlotte's Web* was named Babe, Wilbur, or Major?
4. Those with sitomania have an abnormal craving for what?
5. "Pong" was among the first of this type of game.

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September 15-October 15

# Your Weekly Horoscopes

## ARIES

(March 20 - April 19)



This week you may be more focused than usual on your emotional reactions. What adjustment in attitude might help you act in more alignment with your highest values? Lucky numbers: 7, 9, 14, 24, 47, 48.

## TAURUS

(April 20 - May 20)



An unexpected opportunity may surface midweek that helps you achieve something close to your heart. However, you might need to adjust your viewpoint in order to see it. Lucky numbers: 2, 16, 18, 23, 27, 35.

## GEMINI

(May 21 - June 20)



Information overload can easily happen to Geminis, and you may find yourself in this situation at midweek. Take a deep breath, step back, then focus on your highest priority. Lucky numbers: 3, 9, 10, 11, 15, 26.

## CANCER

(June 21 - July 22)



Since 2008, you may have had intense periods of transformation. Pluto was in your opposite sign but this transit ends soon. What have you learned? What still needs completion? Lucky numbers: 11, 12, 23, 29, 43, 45.

## LEO

(July 23 - Aug. 22)



Over the next 20 years, Pluto will reside in Aquarius. At times, there may be a stalemate between your needs and those of others. Cultivating maturity could ease this dynamic. Lucky numbers: 4, 6, 9, 17, 34, 36.

## VIRGO

(Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)



Like your opposite sign, Pisces, you may be at a turning point over the next year, with major beginnings and endings. These changes may encourage you to be of service. Lucky numbers: 8, 10, 19, 24, 35, 43.

## LIBRA

(Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)



What has worked well or poorly for you since your last birthday? Now is a good time to set new goals. But you may wish to wait a bit before starting to implement them. Lucky numbers: 6, 14, 15, 17, 24, 34.

## SCORPIO

(Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)



This month you may find yourself drawn into universal mysteries. Following where they lead may give you powerful insights. Be careful of being pulled under too deeply. Lucky numbers: 1, 8, 26, 27, 35, 45.

## SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)



Your mind may be racing in many directions at week's end, which could make decisions difficult. You might want to wait a few days for this energy to pass. Lucky numbers: 10, 14, 16, 17, 29, 39.

## CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)



As Pluto makes its last pass through Capricorn, you may be asked to shed the vestiges of an old pattern. Let what you love most be your compass in this transformation. Lucky numbers: 8, 12, 14, 18, 23, 30.

## AQUARIUS

(Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)



Pluto will soon reenter Aquarius and reside in your sign for the next 20 years. This heralds a period of transformation that could bring significant changes in your life. Lucky numbers: 7, 8, 9, 18, 30, 36.

## PISCES

(Feb. 19 - March 20)



Like your opposite sign, Virgo, you may find yourself at a turning point over the next year, with major beginnings and endings. Let your highest vision be your North Star. Lucky numbers: 5, 9, 12, 18, 23, 25.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favor Taurus winners with the luckiest number being 23.

## Did You Know...

**Java reborn:** In Berlin, Germany, bicycle couriers collect used coffee grounds from coffee shops and roasters, and deliver them to a social enterprise called Kaffeeform. The grounds are dried, preserved, and used to craft unique coffee cups.

**Round safety:** Have you ever pondered why manhole covers are round? It's because they require no rotation to fit properly. Additionally, circular covers are inherently the strongest shape.

**Extreme means:** If you are serious about dieting, you might be interested in U.S. Patent 4344424, issued in 1982. It is an anti-eating mouth cage! You can breathe and speak, but can't enjoy your favorite meal, an extreme form of self-control!

**Morning ritual:** Did you know that making your bed each morning may have mental health benefits? Scientists suggest that this simple act can enhance productivity, induce calmness, contribute to improved sleep quality, and reduce stress.

**Beloved beverage:** In Canada, a popular drink is called the Caesar, a blend of clam juice, tomato juice, vodka, and Worcestershire sauce. It originated in Calgary, Alberta, in 1969. About 400 million of these drinks are consumed each year.

## On the Lighter Side

Some mornings I wake up grouchy. Other mornings I leave him alone.

Diner: "Waiter, there's a footprint on my omelet."  
Waiter: "Well, when you ordered you told me to step on it."

Knock! Knock! *Who's there?* Dragon. *Dragon who?* These jokes dragon and on and on.

What goes up and down but doesn't move? A staircase.

What did the email say to the document? All good things come to a send.

## Answers

5. Video game  
1. Six  
2. ZIP  
3. Wilbur  
4. Food  
5. Video game

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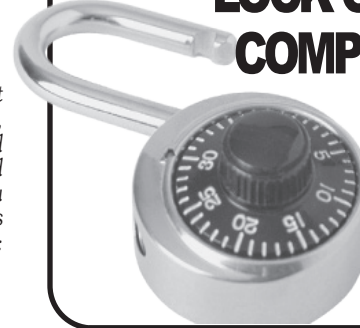


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1 avocado, peeled and sliced  
1/4 cup salsa  
salt and ground black pepper to taste

Heat olive oil in a small pan over medium heat. Cook and stir eggs until eggs are set, 3 to 5 minutes. Place black beans in a microwave-safe bowl. Heat on High in the microwave until warm, about 1 minute. Divide warmed black beans between two bowls. Top each bowl with scrambled eggs, avocado, and salsa. Season with salt and black pepper.

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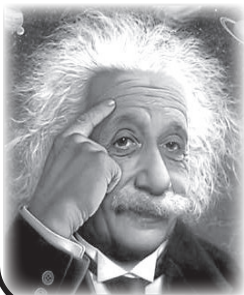
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