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Everybody's Talking

Shared rewards: In Louisiana (U.S.), a family-run manufacturing company called Fibrebond was sold in a major sale. Before stepping aside, the owner made sure $240 million (USD) from the sale would go to the employees who helped grow the business. The plan spread the money out over time and included people across many roles. The news surprised workers, many of whom didn't expect anything beyond a normal transition. The company had grown by sticking through hard periods and making careful choices. For employees, the payout offered relief and new possibilities. For the owner, it was a way to leave knowing the success was shared with the people who helped build it.

Folded strength: In New York City (U.S.), a student turned a long-time paper-folding hobby into an award-winning experiment by testing how much weight origami shapes can support. Rather than focusing on art, he studied how folded patterns behave under pressure and whether they could handle real loads. His project used a compact folding style with repeating angles, which he adjusted in size and material to compare results. After building and testing many versions at home, one design stood out for staying light while carrying far more than expected. Judges praised the clear testing and results, awarding top honours and prize money. The work also pointed to future uses in temporary shelters or portable structures.

Peace paws: In Fort Worth, Texas (U.S.), a group of Buddhist monks began a long walking journey to share messages of peace, and a stray dog chose to walk with them. He first joined the group on an earlier trip and stayed close, following their pace day after day. Even when he was hurt or became sick, he returned to the road as soon as he could. When the monks started a new walk across the United States, the dog came along again without hesitation. They traveled slowly and stopped often, meeting people who offered food, help, or a short conversation. Progress was shared through online videos as they moved from place to place. For many who saw them pass by, the dog was one of the most memorable members of the group.

Shrek surprise: One night at home, a couple sat down to watch Shrek, a movie they'd seen many times before. What one partner didn't know was that the other had edited himself into the wedding scene, adding his face and voice into the film. As the scene played, he quietly left the room and came back wearing the same suit shown on screen. The timing lined up just as the movie reached its big moment. He then got down on one knee and asked his girlfriend to marry him. The idea grew out of their shared love of movies and making creative projects together over the years. It was meant to be simple, personal, and just for them at first. Later, online videos shared the moment with others. She said yes.

Quoteable Quotes

"The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain." — *Dolly Parton*
"The future depends entirely on what each of us does every day." — *Gloria Steinem*

What's Happening

Friday, November 29th at 9am: Greens for Good Golf Tournament will be held at The Yards Gold Course 254 Alta Mar Drive, Ponte Verde. Benefits First Coast Ability and Wellness Center. Pricing and Sponsorship Available. Contact: firstcoastabilities.com.

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Trivia

1. Caitlin Clark was selected first overall in the 2024 WNBA Draft by this team.
2. Which actor played Marty McFly in the Back to the Future movies?
3. What is the largest bone in the human body?
4. Which legendary boxer was born Cassius Clay?
5. In the Star Wars films, what is the name of Han Solo's ship?

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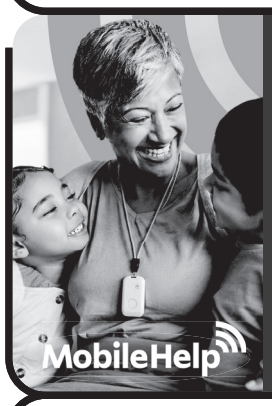

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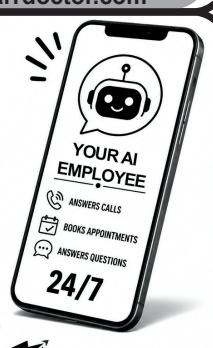

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Your Weekly Horoscope

ARIES
(March 20 – April 19)



You may feel a desire this week to finally release an old emotional wound. A conversation may provide the information you need to adjust how you view the situation. Lucky numbers: 4, 8, 13, 23, 27, 14.

TAURUS
(April 20 – May 20)



Enduring hard work is an innate trait for most Taurus individuals. At week's end, this trait is heightened and can help you complete an endeavour to which you are emotionally attached. Lucky numbers: 14, 23, 26, 33, 38, 5.

GEMINI
(May 21 – June 20)



Did you set a new goal during your birthday month? Now may be a good time to review your progress and make any needed changes to achieve success with it. Lucky numbers: 1, 20, 27, 30, 37, 4.

CANCER
(June 21 – July 22)



The sign of Cancer is often associated with nurturing in general and specifically with motherhood. Over the next few months, these themes may be a focus in your life. Lucky numbers: 1, 2, 18, 33, 35, 10.

LEO
(July 23 – Aug. 22)



You may be strongly driven this week to pursue new opportunities without fully evaluating which are best. Make an effort to understand your underlying motivation and make a careful choice. Lucky numbers: 2, 5, 19, 33, 40, 4.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23 – Sept. 22)



Your natural attention to details and exactitude may become scrambled at mid-week. Try to focus on other tasks that don't need these qualities, until this dynamic passes in a few days. Lucky numbers: 1, 4, 14, 30, 34, 24.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23 – Oct. 22)



Libras are often the ones who work to "keep the peace" in home and work situations. At the end of the week this may not work. Express your feelings honestly. Lucky numbers: 8, 9, 13, 19, 30, 4.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23 – Nov. 21)



Other people may not be seeing the truth in a situation as clearly as you do at week's end. Resist any temptation you may have to stubbornly try to convince them. Lucky numbers: 4, 16, 21, 26, 30, 1.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22 – Dec. 21)



Happy birthday month! This is a good time to set new goals. Is there a particular endeavour that would make you happy even if it requires a real risk? Lucky numbers: 5, 15, 31, 35, 40, 2.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22 – Jan. 19)



Capricorns are usually very good at achieving success with grounded, practical goals. However, is there a lofty project you wouldn't normally consider but that would encourage your spirit now? Lucky numbers: 14, 23, 25, 33, 37, 4.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20 – Feb. 18)



Individuals with Aquarius energy sometimes find it difficult to translate their vision in ways that are readily understandable for the rest of us. This may be easier at week's end. Lucky numbers: 6, 11, 18, 19, 21, 4.

PISCES
(Feb. 19 – March 20)



The energy at mid-week can help fuel your highest goals or heighten your fears. Find a way to channel it into a positive outcome instead of one you will regret. Lucky numbers: 13, 17, 25, 28, 29, 2.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favour Capricorn winners with the luckiest number being 33.

Did You Know...

Sunken fleets: Roughly 3 million shipwrecks are believed to rest on the ocean floor. While a few famous wrecks capture attention, the vast majority remain unexplored, as they are spread across the seas and hidden far below the surface.

Island chickens: In Key West, Florida (U.S.), free-roaming chickens wander streets and yards as part of everyday life. The birds live independently, forage on their own, and have become an unexpected but familiar feature of the island.

Plug puzzle: Electrical outlets vary around the world because power systems developed separately, using different designs and safety choices. Those early decisions stuck, leaving travellers today forced to switch between adapters just to charge their devices.

Southern surprise: Canada stretches farther south than many people realize. Its lowest point sits below parts of the western United States, so small areas of states like California are actually north of Canada's southern edge.

Capital shuffle: Before settling in Washington, D.C., the United States moved its capital multiple times during its early years. Early lawmakers met in several cities, including Philadelphia (PA), Baltimore (MD), Princeton (NJ), and New York (NY).

On the Lighter Side

Knock! Knock! *Who's there*? Knee. *Knee who?* Knee-d you ask?

Why are trees such big sports fans? They just like to root!

Did you hear about the amateur fisherman? He did it just for the halibut.

The school board removed Speech and Debate from the curriculum. There was no argument.

Mother: Billy, what is all that racket from the pantry?
Billy: I'm busy fighting temptation.

Answers

Trivia answers: 1. Indiana Fever 2. Michael J. Fox 3. Femur 4. Muhammad Ali 5. Millennium Falcon

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