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Where in the World...

Next year, it's the 90th anniversary of the most regional product since sliced bread! The story of a block called Lego in Danish it's called "LEG GODT" which means to play well. Lego was founded in Denmark during the Great Depression of 1932, by a father of four boys. Kirk Christiansen was a poor carpenter that went bankrupt. Therefore, he saved some wood to make toys and it turned out to be a huge success. However, he did not use the Lego name until 1934. In 1949, Lego made its first blocks that we recognize today. They did not make licensed toys until 1999 to promote the Lego Star Wars movie collaboration. Lego now makes video games and has their own theme park. Kirk Christiansen would be proud!

What's Going on Here...

Aug 10: "Story-time in the Garden" at The Port Washington Library from 10 AM -10:30 AM. Join your favorite librarians in the Children's Garden for stories, songs, and finger-plays. Limited capacity, registration required.

Aug 26: "Port Outdoors" Port Washington BID, Residents Forward and Landmark on Main Street will continue to bring open-air dining, shopping and entertainment to Main Street. Every other Thursday from 4 PM to 10 PM through October 8.

How's it Possible...

It's nothing like seeing a slam dunk in basketball, but how did the slam dunk come to be? Who was the first person to dunk the ball into the hoop? Well, in 1944, Bob Kurland of Oklahoma A & M now known as Oklahoma State University dunked at an NCAA basketball game against Temple. But while Kurland is credited with being the first dunk in college basketball, the first professional basketball dunk actually came 8 years earlier from the NBA's Joe Fortenberry. It happened while he was training for the 1936 Olympics in Berlin, Germany. Although these were the first two record dunks in history, the move didn't gain traction until the 1960's when players like Wilt Chamberlain, Bill Russell, Dr. J. Julius Erving, Kareem-Abdul Jabbar and Darryl Dawkins started using the move in games. Dunks have become so popular that Slam Dunk Contests are now held annually in the NBA.

When Did That Happen...

Have you heard of that quote, "There's no place like home?" It is a quote from the Wizard of Oz. It stars Judy Garland, who played Dorothy Gale, who won a Juvenile Academy Award. The movie is based on the book "The Wonderful Wizard Of OZ", which was created by L Frank Baum. She traveled from Kansas to the land of Oz. She went with the Scarecrow, the Tin Man, the Lion, and her dog Toto. They went from Munchkin Land to Emerald City. They also battled the wicked witch of the west and liquidated her, get it?! This movie won two Oscars and was nominated for best picture. The Wizard of Oz made the biggest kids film that no other film ever did in history!

Who Knows...

1. What do you pay to spend a day on the beach?
2. Where do math teachers like to go on vacation?
3. What does a mermaid use to call her friends?

(Find the answers on the back, under "In The Stars")

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That's Incredible!

Sometimes all you really need to make the next leap in science is a snack! Percy Spencer was an American engineer who, while working for Raytheon, walked in front of a magnetron, a vacuum tube used to generate microwaves, and noticed that the chocolate bar in his pocket melted. In 1945, after a few more experiments (one involving an exploding egg), Spencer successfully invented the first microwave oven. The first models were a lot like the early computers: bulky and unrealistic. In 1967, compact microwaves would begin filling American homes.

That's Trendy!

August is the month to begin school shopping, or picking out a new fall wardrobe for work. Fashionable face masks are still one of the biggest style points. One of the best ways to make your mask stand out is to match it to your outfit. 90's style jumpsuits are now back in style, corduroy, denim and tweed. These all in one outfits are both stylish and cheap. While the cozy trends of cotton tie dye and flannel are still there, it's also stylish to add a blazer or go for a dressed-down pant suit. Sneakers will never go out of style, platform sneakers are being worn with any look whether it be a pair of short shorts or a statement pant suit.

That's Funny!

How do we know that the ocean is friendly?

- It waves!

Where do sheep go on vacation?

- The Baaa-hamas

What should a toddler wear to go swimming?

That's Twisted!

Fuzzy Wuzzy was a bear, Fuzzy Wuzzy had no hair then Fuzzy Wuzzy wasn't fuzzy, was he?

That's Inspirational!

"The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today"

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Pet of the Month!

The Town of North Hempstead Animal Shelter



Sparkle is a 1 & 1/2 year old Hound mix that came to us through The Shelter Connection's Rescue Program from an overcrowded shelter in Texas. Sparkle is a super sweet girl but currently very shy and nervous in her new surroundings. Sparkle does seem to enjoy walking on our nature trail and will seek affection from you despite being nervous. She loves playing and interacting with other dogs, and in turn gives her a bit more confidence. We believe Sparkle's ideal home would be a family with another well-mannered but confident dog that can "show her the ropes" with no young children. If you are interested in meeting Sparkle please give us a call at 516-869-6311

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In The Stars

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20) This month be spontaneous, and bold, it will help you accomplish your goals. Lucky Day: Friday

TAURUS (Apr 21- May 21) Daily self-care routines will feel refreshing for now refreshing. Lucky Day: Monday

GEMINI (May 22- June 21) The more you build your home base through closet organization the clearer your focus will be when it's time to launch your ideas. Lucky Day: Sunday

CANCER (June 22-July 22) The month of August is expected to remain average for you. Lucky Day: Wednesday

LEO (July 23-Aug 22) Tap into your creativity this month as well as unleash your ability to let loose and have fun. Lucky Day: Thursday

VIRGO (Aug 23-Sept 23) Now's the time to rewrite the script, and re-imagine the terms of how you work. The light is on you this month, so make sure you're playing to the right audience. Lucky Day: Saturday

LIBRA (Sept 23-Oct 22) You'll indeed find inspiration everywhere you turn in the month of August. Lucky Day: Friday

SCORPIO (Oct 23-Nov 21) You're currently at the juncture of making peace with the past and moving forward from a place of resolve. Lucky Day: Saturday

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 22-Dec 21) Share the projects you have been working on with friends, it will be worth it! Lucky Day: Sunday

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 19) You're in a new groove and phase of growth, keep it going! Lucky Day: Monday

AQUARIUS (Jan 20-Feb 18) You are quirky and unique and it's time to share your wackiest, weirdest self with those closest to you. Lucky Day: Tuesday

PISCES (Feb 19-Mar 20) This month is all about rituals and routines for you! This is a great time to mix up your day-to-day existence with some fun, creative new activities that make you feel alive and like a little kid again. Lucky Day: Friday

Answers to Who Knows: #1. Sand Dollars #2. Times Square
#3. A shell phone, of course!

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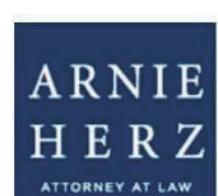


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