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October Birthdays

In astrology, those born between October 1st and 22nd balance the scales of Libra. Libras seek equality, justice, and harmony. Eager to cooperate, Libras are charming diplomats who seek compromise and good will. Those born between October 23rd and 31st are Scorpios. Scorpios are passionate and assertive leaders who value honesty and fairness. Befriend a Scorpio and you will have a lifelong advocate and confidant.

Richard May	October 8th
Elsie Beckler	October 24th
Kathleen Hood	October 25th
Reagan Smith	October 30th
Bud Truan	October 31st

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This was a titanosaur, one of the largest dinosaurs to ever roam the earth. Of the 60 known titanosaur species, this was only the fourth discovered with its skull. It was quite a discovery, especially after millions of years of waiting to be found.

What should you do if you find a dinosaur fossil? In America, if it's found on your property, it belongs to you. You can name it, mount it on your wall, or give it to a museum. Fossilized remains may be worth millions. Some discoverers choose to auction their fossils off to the highest bidder. But, like any business during an economic downturn, dinosaur auctions don't bring in the big bucks like they used to. Maybe it's best to give your fossil to your dog as a dino-sized snack.



Italian-American Heritage Month

Computer Learning Month

International Frugal Fun Day
October 1

Do Something Nice Day
October 5

Columbus Day (U.S.)
October 10

International Skeptics Day
October 13

World Pasta Day
October 25

Halloween
October 31

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Dino-mite Discoveries

They may have roamed the earth 220 million years ago, but dinosaurs are still in style. In fact, new dinosaur species are being discovered all the time. The year 2015 recorded 45 new species of dinosaur. Anyone from the most seasoned archaeologist to a six-year-old kid may find this to be news worth sharing during Dinosaur Month in October.

Archaeologists aren't the only ones who can find a new dinosaur. In 2005, a

retired nuclear physicist named Bill Shipp was strolling his property along the Judith River Formation in Montana when he discovered a giant bone protruding from the earth. After two years of excavating, two more years of cleaning the fossils, and many more years of research, the discovery of a new plant-eating, horned species of dinosaur was announced this past May. It was named Judith, due to the location of its discovery, and has been classified as *Spiclypeus*

(meaning "spiked shield") *shipporum*, after its discoverer, Bill Shipp.

April of 2016 brought the announcement of another new dinosaur excavated in Argentina.

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Winning at the Fair

We'd like to extend a special Thank You and Congratulations to the following residents and staff for participating in the 2016 TN Valley Fair:

Tennie Albertson
Elsie Beckler
Betty Lou Cox
Edna Mae Everitt
Brenda Gardner
Jim Griscom
Dorothy Harris
Nery A. Llitas
Wanda Morrell
Imogene O'Neal
Phyllis Parrott

Anna Rose Payne
Mary L. Phillips
Audrey Scott
Jack Zachary
Valerie Berger
Heather Kuhl
Kathleen Kinney
Anne Murphy
Dorothy Langley
Susan Hines

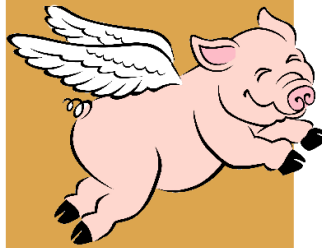




Notable Quotable

“You CAN have it all. You just can’t have it all at once.”

~ Oprah Winfrey



The Sweet Smell of Failure

Behind almost every great success story is a story of failure. Success should never be a foregone conclusion, and for this reason, we celebrate International Day for Failure on October 13.

Bill Gates is one of the world’s most successful billionaires, but before Microsoft, Gates and Microsoft partner Paul Allen founded a company called Traf-O-Data, which attempted to analyze traffic flows. The computer they designed to record traffic was a failure, but their venture lead them to Microsoft.

The name George Steinbrenner is synonymous with the World Champion New York Yankees. Before taking the helm of the Yankees, Steinbrenner owned the Cleveland Pipers basketball team.

Gaudy by Design

Delve deep into your closet and find something gaudy to wear on October 17, Wear Something Gaudy Day. Gaudy typically refers to clothing or accessories that are flashy and unfashionable. But even fashion experts wonder, “Is gaudy ever good?” Sometimes wearing a little bit of flash makes you feel fabulous. As Shelly Adams, owner

Bob’s Your Uncle

Feel free on October 13 to say as many silly things as you want, for it’s Silly Saying Day. “When pigs fly” is a saying used when you mention something that will never happen, just like a pig flying. Did you ever stop to “chew the fat” with a friend? This means to chat or gossip, but it’s a nautical expression from early sailors who, when work was slow, would talk while chewing on a snack of salt-hardened fat. And there you have it, “Bob’s your uncle.” Don’t know that one? It means everything is all right, done, and successful, sort of like saying, “And that’s that.” No word, though, on who Bob was or why things always worked out so great for him.

His poor ownership caused the team to fold after just two years, and Steinbrenner personally lost two million dollars.

Oprah Winfrey is one of the world’s most famous people, but early in her television career, one of her bosses fired her, saying she was “unfit for television news.” She went on to run *The Oprah Winfrey Show* for 25 seasons.

The list of successful failures goes on and on: Steve Jobs was once fired from Apple; Walt Disney was told he wasn’t creative enough; Julia Child was fired as an advertising manager for “gross insubordination”; Jerry Seinfeld was fired from a sitcom. Take it from Oprah, failure is often a gift leading to “life-changing opportunity.”

of the “A Little Bit Gaudy” boutique, says, gaudy is just “fashion with attitude.” Fashion experts assert that clothes often reflect how we feel about ourselves and can even make us feel better, smarter, and more empowered. So, if your style is one with a bit of pizzazz, then perhaps that’s just a reflection of your booming confidence.

Enchantress of Numbers

Ada Byron was born in 1815, the daughter of famed English poet Lord Byron and Anne Isabelle Milbanke. Ada’s mother, Lady Byron, wanted Ada to be wholly different from her father. Instead of poetry, Ada was tutored in mathematics. Her intellect was apparent by age 12 when she designed a flying machine. Her skill and contributions in her field have earned Ada her own holiday, Ada Lovelace Day on October 11, a day to celebrate all women in the fields of science, technology,

engineering, and mathematics.

Ada was raised in an era when there weren’t professional scientists. When Ada grew up, she befriended a man dabbling in math and science named Charles Babbage. The two often discussed their ideas of math and logic.

Ada became known as Ada, Countess of Lovelace, in 1838, after marrying William King, Earl of Lovelace. It was not long after her marriage that her old friend Charles Babbage sought her help with his newest invention, a

calculating machine he called an “analytical engine.” This precursor to modern-day computers earned Babbage the nickname of “father of the computer.” Ada, working on the machine, called herself an “analyst.” She predicted that such machines would not just crunch numbers but incorporate text, pictures, and music. Historians now call her the world’s first computer programmer. Babbage bestowed on her an even better title: “Enchantress of Numbers.”



Notable Quotable

“My cooking is so bad my kids thought Thanksgiving was to commemorate Pearl Harbor.”

~ Phyllis Diller, comedienne

Do You Know Your Kitchen Conversions?

1. How many teaspoons are in a tablespoon? (three)
2. How many cups are in a quart? (four)
3. How much is a “pinch”? (1/8 teaspoon)
4. What is the best substitute for 1 teaspoon of baking powder? (1/4 teaspoon baking soda plus 1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar)

Cook the Books

If you’ve got an idea for a cookbook, October 12, Cookbook Launch Day, may be the time to publish it. Remember, the cookbook industry is competitive, and you need an original idea. Take, for example, the cookbook *Manifold Destiny*, which includes

recipes for cooking on your car engine. Feeling blue? *The Happy Baker* provides recipes to pick you up after a romantic breakup. *Mini-Mart à la Carte* is a cookbook for people who do their shopping at gas stations. And of course there are cookbooks not

for humans, but for our pets. It seems that even the most outlandish cookbook ideas can be appetizing. A more traditional route might be to gather your friends and compile a homemade cookbook out of all your favorite recipes.

