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Who is most at risk

The elderly, people with chronic medical conditions, as well as children, are at higher risk for severe heat-related illnesses.



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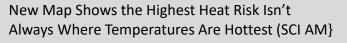
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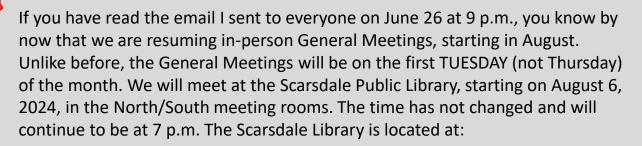


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Ample free parking is available. The Registration Desk will open at 6:30 p.m. and close at 7:15 p.m. Door prize raffle tickets and 50/50 tickets will NOT be distributed nor sold after 7:15 p.m. Only one door prize raffle ticket will be given per family.

As requested by a number of you, the General Meetings will continue to be on Zoom as well, for those who do not want to drive at night or live too far from our area. Bear with us on the first few meetings at the library since going hybrid is brand new territory for us. Expect glitches, but we will do our best to smooth out the rough edges.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in person again, after meeting strictly on Zoom for 4.5 years.

Dr. Pierre Darmon

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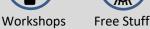












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One in four older adults in the U.S. will fall each year, putting them at risk of injury, broken bones and even death.

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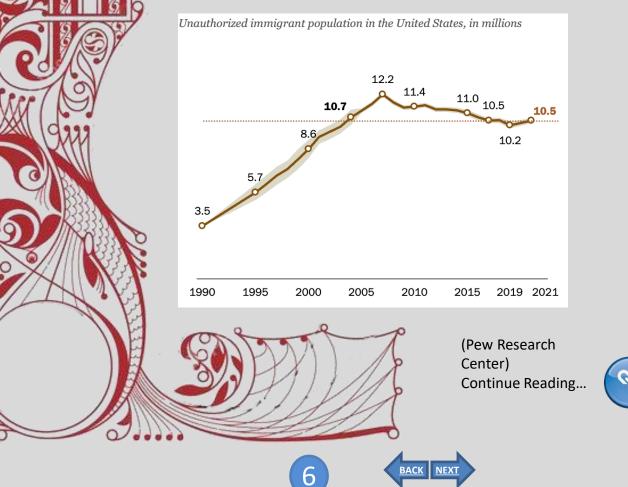
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What we know about unauthorized immigrants living in the U.S.

The unauthorized immigrant population in the United States reached 10.5 million in 2021, according to new Pew Research Center estimates. That was a modest increase over 2019 but nearly identical to 2017.



















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Researchers discovered that ferns, like flowering plants, evolved nectaries to attract ant bodyguards around 135 million years ago.

For example, some plants have managed to recruit ant bodyguards. They produce sugary nectar on their leaves that attracts the ants, then these very territorial and aggressive ant mercenaries patrol "their" plant and sting or bite herbivores that try to eat it.





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Sperm whale families talk a lot. Researchers are trying to decode what they're saying



Scientists are testing the limits of artificial intelligence when it comes to language learning.

Researchers are using machine learning to analyze and decode whale sounds — and it's just as complicated as it seems.

Sperm whales are interesting to researchers because they have big brains, close family groups and coordinate in lots of ways. They dive and hunt together, and sperm whale biologist Shane Gero says they even babysit for each other.

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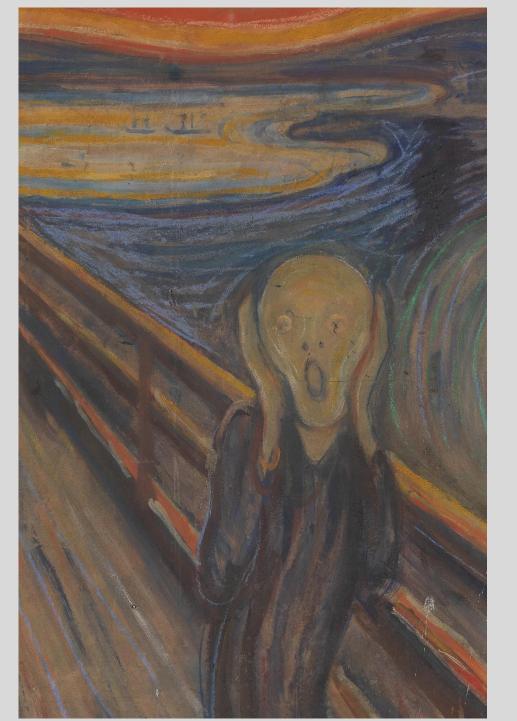


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Yes, you should be a little freaked out about **Hurricane Beryl**

"It's hard to communicate how unbelievable this is."

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Federal funding for major science agencies is at a **25-year low**

Government funding for science is usually immune from political gridlock and polarization in Congress. But, federal funding for science is slated to drop for 2025.

Me after reading the news!

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7pm Exploring Software with Pierre



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This \$30 Logitech keyboard will switch between three of your devices



Working remotely can be super easy when you have the right tools at your disposal, such as the Logitech K480 keyboard, which can switch between multiple devices. Now available at an incredible price of just \$29.89, down from \$50, this deal offers you the chance to snag a great tool, a great opportunity to enhance your work or play experience with a versatile and reliable keyboard.

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This Awesome Mini Monitor is CHEAP and Useful!







Opinion: I study school shootings. Here's what AI can and can't — do to stop them



AI is being used at schools to interpret the signals from metal detectors, classify objects visible on CCTV, identify the sound of gunshots, monitor doors and gates, search social media for threats, look for red flags in student records and recognize students' faces to identify intruders.

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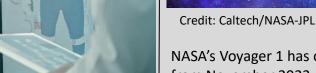
Imagine safer, more efficient movements for factory workers and astronauts, as well as improved mobility for people with disabilities. It could someday become a more widespread reality, thanks to new research published on June 12 in the journal Nature.

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Ubuntu 24.04- An Excellent Linux Distro - YouTube





NASA's Voyager 1 has overcome a technical setback from November 2023, successfully resuming normal operations and data transmission by May 2024. All four of its science instruments are active again, studying space beyond our solar system.

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How new drugs could come from space

How not to be ignorant about the world



How to green the world's deserts and reverse climate change

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NASA astronaut Bill Anders, who took famous photo of Earth during Apollo, dies at 90



"Humanity had lived on the Earth forever," he says, "[but] we'd never known the Earth until we looked back at it and realized how tiny and fragile and precious and finite it is. And it's changed human thinking ever since."

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How Was the World's Biggest Dome Built? - Florence Cathedral



10 Free AI Tools That Are Actually Great! 2024







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Will AI Be Used By Terrorists? The new rising threat of AI in conflict

During the current war in Gaza, unlike previous conflicts, one of the new threats that may affect the course of the war is the use of artificial intelligence, for purposes such as disinformation, for example, in deepfake videos by Hamas. In addition to disinformation, Hamas also now uses AI advanced graphics combined with artificial intelligence to spread its propaganda to incite "lone wolf" attacks and to garner support among the Palestinian public. The potential of such advanced technology has not gone unnoticed by other terrorist organizations either.

Animated infographics that explain how everyday things work.

> How does a Military Helicopter work- (Pave Hawk) - YouTube

Inside the B-17 Flying Fortress

How a Tugboat Tows Ships 1000 Times Bigger - Z-Drive Tugboat



How a Helicopter Works

At the store there was a Big X by the register for me to stand on... I've seen too many Road Runner cartoons to fall for that one.

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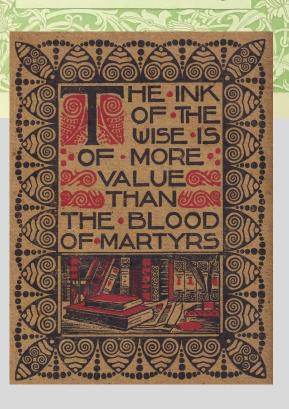
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ET us learn to be content with what we have. Let us get rid of our false estimates, set up all the higher ideals a quiet home; vines of our own planting; a few books full of the inspiration of a genius; a few friends worthy of being loved and able to love us in turn; a hundred innocent pleasures that bring no pain or remorse; a devotion to the right that will never swerve; a simple religion empty of all bigotry, full of trust and hope and love; and to such a philosophy this world will give up all the empty joy it has .- David Swing_





GEORGE R.R. MARTIN

"I have lived a thousand lives and I have loved a thousand loves. I've walked on distant worlds and seen the end of time.

Because I read."





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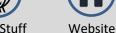














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Scientists Baffled: Webb Uncovers Ancient Galaxies That Defy Explanation



NASA's James Webb Space Telescope has revealed mysterious objects in the early universe that challenge current theories of galaxy and supermassive black hole evolution.

These objects contain old stars and massive black holes, much larger than expected, suggesting a rapid and unconventional form of early galaxy formation. The findings highlight significant discrepancies with existing models, and the objects' unique properties indicate a complex early cosmic history.

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How SpaceX Reinvented The Rocket Engine!



The benefits of anti-ageing medicines will outweigh the downsides



The field of anti-ageing medicine has exploded in recent years as discoveries about the fundamental biology of ageing are translated into experimental therapies. The latest fountain of youth to gush from the lab comes in the form of vaccines against age-related conditions – cancer, heart disease, dementia and more. The first of these could be available by the end of the decade. Allpurpose anti-ageing jabs are also in development (see "New anti-ageing vaccines promise to prevent diseases like Alzheimer's").

(New Scientist)

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Modern scanners typically use a charge-coupled device (CCD) or a contact image sensor (CIS) as the image sensor, whereas drum scanners, developed earlier and still used for the highest possible image quality, use a photomultiplier tube (PMT) as the image sensor. A rotary scanner, used for high-speed document scanning, is a type of drum scanner that uses a CCD array instead of a photomultiplier. Non-contact planetary scanners essentially photograph delicate books and documents. All these scanners produce two-dimensional images of subjects that are usually flat, but sometimes solid; 3D scanners produce information on the three-dimensional structure of solid objects.



An image scanner—often abbreviated to just scanner—is a device that optically scans images, printed text, handwriting or an object and converts it to a digital image. Commonly used in offices are variations of the desktop flatbed scanner where the document is placed on a glass window for scanning.

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Digital cameras can be used for the same purposes as dedicated scanners. When compared to a true scanner, a camera image is subject to a degree of distortion, reflections, shadows, low contrast, and blur due to camera shake (reduced in cameras with image stabilization). Resolution is sufficient for less demanding applications. Digital cameras offer the advantages of speed, portability, and non-contact digitizing of thick documents without damaging the book spine. In 2010 scanning technologies were combining 3D scanners with digital cameras to create full-color, photo-realistic 3D models of objects.[1]

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Turkish student arrested for using AI to cheat in university exam



'ISTANBUL: Turkish authorities have arrested a student for cheating during a university entrance exam by using a makeshift device linked to artificial intelligence software to answer questions.

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The Glitch That Kept Sending The FBI To A Tiny Kansas Farm



Elder fraud has reached epidemic proportions – a geriatrician explains what older Americans need to know



Americans age 60 and older lost more than US\$3 billion to scammers in 2023, according to the FBI.

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US blacklists Kaspersky software over alleged Kremlin ties



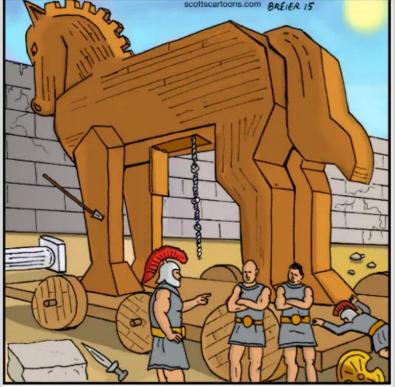
SEFA KARACAN/ANADOLU AGENCY VIA GETTY IMAGES

The Commerce Department barred the sale of cybersecurity products made by Russia-based Kaspersky Labs in the United States on grounds that the firm's ties to the Kremlin pose national security risks to American customers using its services.

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"Norton! Mcafee! How did you NOT detect this as a threat? You're both useless, you know that?"





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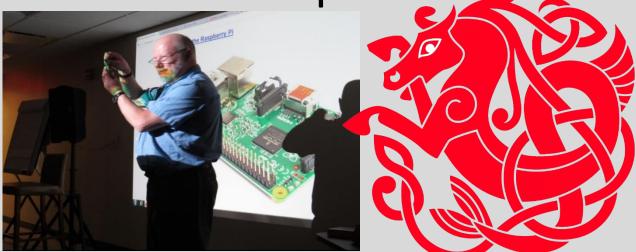




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PHOTO & VIDEO EDITING Jim Iscaro

Learn to take pictures off your phone or camera, save them in an organized manner, back them up, and select the best. We then edit them so they look like the picture we wanted to take. We'll use an easy photo editor that is available in Windows and Mac and we will cover apps on Android and iOS devices.

TECHNOLOGY Anthony Tedesco

Meeting starts with discussions on any related area of technology attendees feel interested in. Followed by a presentation on a different technology topic each month.

NAVIGATING WINDOWS (Alternating months) Pierre Darmon

Q&A to address questions on Windows, from printing to device drivers, from changing default apps to addressing performance issues, and much more.

THE CURIOUS LION John Moore

What to do if a light does not light. What to do when your hair dryer will not turn on. How to map the circuits in your breaker panel. How to hook up a generator if you don't want to hire an electrician. How a 208-volt circuit differs from a 120-volt circuit. Bring your questions to find answers.





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UPGRADE & REPAIR Jonathan Hauff

We cover hardware and software. The good, fun, and bad stuff. Sessions feature adding to your PC (cameras, phones, mass storage, backups) and upgrades; error messages; stubborn installations; dreaded "blue screens of death," conflicts, and buggy programs, virus/spyware/identity issues and how to understand and solve them all!

DIGITAL CAMERAS Allan and Heather Turnbull

Do you want to know about the symbols and buttons on your camera? Do you want to know how to take a decent picture, download your pictures to your computer, and send them by email? Bring your digital camera and manual. We show you how to use it in a relaxed, informal, and hands-on environment.

ALL THINGS MOBILE

A roundtable discussion of Android and Apple devices. Share your phone and tablet experiences, apps, and favorite websites. We'll learn together. You don't need a device; we'll share ours with you. Open to all levels.

OFFICE SUITES George Hauss

Ah, you think you are an expert and don't have to come to George Hauss' workshop? In fact, George has been piling in the tips and tricks that make MS Office, LibreOffice, OpenOffice, and even the Mac Office Suite (iWork) much quicker and easier to use. Bring your own shortcuts to share. Put this workshop on your calendar and learn what you think you already know.

APPLE FOR BEGINNERS (Alternating months) Pierre Darmon

This workshop is geared for beginners. It is conducted as a Q&A for the most part. We cover all things Apple, from the Mac to the iPhone, iPad, Apple Watch, AirTags, and their relationship.

CULTURAL TECHNOLOGY David Lerner

Recent discussions on archaeology, gorgeous stained glass windows, World War II history, ships from the classical age. David Lerner shares his many interests with us and holds our attention throughout his workshop.

EXPLORING SOFTWARE Pierre Darmon

A different topic each month. Topics span from computer security to the paperless office to Chromebooks and printers, just to name a few.





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Westchester PC-Renew Gary Feiman or Jimmy Lamake at 914-297-8490 email to WPCRenew@TechEdCOnnect.org. Learn to rehab computers and help our community at the same time. This is a hands-on workshop that refurbishes computers. No experience is necessary; we will teach you. We show you how to check out and install hardware and operating systems. Then all computers are given to nonprofit organizations in our community. WPC-Renew is continuing to meet online and has also resumed in person workshops.

Since its creation WPC-Renew has refurbished approximately 1,500 computers and provided them free of charge to deserving people and organizations.

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Dr. Richard, a member of WPC-Renew sets up the computers in the cottages at Children's Village.

The kids all think the dozens computers come from her.



















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Quotes by Oscar Wilde



rue friends stab you in the front. Only the shallow know themselves. The truth is rarely pure and never simple. Women are made to be loved, not understood. Experience is simply the name we give our mistakes. To love oneself is the beginning of a lifelong romance. Ridicule is the tribute paid to the genius by mediocrities. Moderation is a fatal thing. Nothing succeeds like excess. When the gods wish to punish us they answer our prayers.



am the only person in the world I should like to know thoroughly.

Some cause happiness wherever they go; others whenever they go.

The only way to get rid of temptation is to yield to it. I can resist everything but temptation.

Selfishness is not living as one wishes to live; it is asking others to live as one wishes to live.

There is only one thing in life worse than being talked about and that is not being talked about.

There are only two tragedies in life: one is not getting what one wants, and the other is getting it.

It is what you read when you don't have to that determines what you will be when you can't help it.

Women are never disarmed by compliments. Men always are. That is the difference between the sexes.



ducation is an admirable thing but it is well to remember from time to time that nothing that is worth knowing can be taught.

When men love women they give them but a little of their lives. But women when they love give everything.

Ordinary riches can be stolen; real riches cannot. In your soul are infinitely precious things that cannot be taken from you.

Most people are other people. Their thoughts are someone else's opinions, their lives a mimicry, their passions a quotation.









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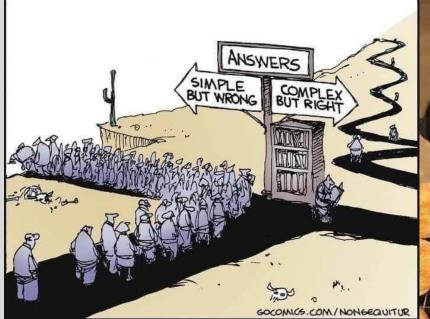
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