

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

**Today is** Whipped Cream Day. This tasty concoction was once called "milk snow" in the 16th century. Before the invention of whisks, it was common practice for cooks to whip the cream with a willow or rush branch.

#### Gadgets & Gizmos



Bose, the company known for its highquality speakers and headphones, has introduced its Audio Sunglasses, which are equipped with built-in speakers just in front of the ear to provide you with perfect sound. Pair them with your smartphone to listen to music, news, or map directions. Tapping the frame prompts the glasses to connect to the internet and provide info on whatever you're looking at.

### Word Scramble

MYERMO

Where the mind stores and remembers information

**VNSWER: MEMORY** 

## Eye in the Sky

Astrophysicist Michel Mayor won the Nobel Prize for discovering a planet orbiting a star outside of our solar system. Despite his discovery, he wanted to make clear to the world that humans will never live on another planet. Mayor believes that plans that suggest humans could leave a polluted Earth to colonize Mars or beyond are pipe dreams. Anv inhabitable planets, he explains, are simply too far away. Of course, a technological breakthrough allowing us to travel great distances in a short time could change that possibility, but such scientific advancements are highly unlikely.

### **Riddle Me This**

I sound like one letter but am written with three and show you things when you look through me.

AVSWER: An eye



# Three Kings' Day, or Epiphany

Today, Christians celebrate Epiphany, marking the day the Three Kings (also known as the Three Wise Men)—Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar—visited the baby Jesus in Bethlehem, bringing gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

**1838** – Samuel Morse first successfully demonstrated his telegraph system in New Jersey.



This invention made it possible to send messages quickly over vast distances and laid the foundation for

modern telecommunications.

## **Did You Know?**

Botanically speaking, bananas are berries, but strawberries are not! Bananas qualify as berries because they develop from a single flower with one ovary and have soft flesh and seeds inside. Strawberries develop from multiple ovaries of a flower, making them an aggregate fruit instead of a berry.

### **Quote of the Day**

"Cinema was my rite of passage."

~ John Singleton

# Happy Birthday!

John Singleton (1968–2019) was a groundbreaking film writer and

director from L.A. Singleton made his directorial debut at age 23 with *Boyz in the Hood* (1991), which he also wrote. The



film was a tremendous success both critically and commercially, earning Singleton the distinction of being the first African American and youngest person ever to be nominated for an Academy Award for Best Director. His other films include *Poetic Justice* (1993), *Higher Learning* (1995), and *Baby Boy* (2001). The visionary director died from a stroke in 2019, after a long struggle with hypertension. He had seven children.