



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2021

On This Date

1909 – The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) was founded in New York City.

1912 – Hsian-T'ung, the last emperor of China, was forced to abdicate, ending 2,000 years of imperial rule. Only six years old, he was allowed to keep his residence in Beijing's Forbidden City.

2001 – The Near-Earth Asteroid Rendezvous (NEAR) Shoemaker spacecraft set down on the asteroid Eros, becoming the first human-made object to land on an asteroid.

Animal Trivia

Venomous snakes are immune to their own venom. Think about how often you have bitten your lip, tongue, or inside of your cheek. There's a real chance of a snake accidentally biting itself, and so snakes have developed an immunity to their own toxin.



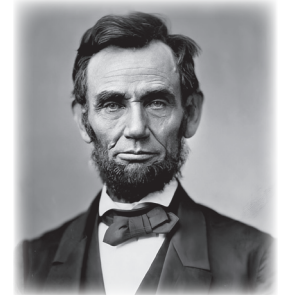
Quote of the Day

“Whatever you are,
be a good one.”

~ *Abraham Lincoln*

Happy Birthday!

Abraham Lincoln (1809–1865) was the 16th president of the United States. He grew up on farms in Kentucky and Indiana but preferred reading, writing, and academics to the hard labor of tending the land. However, the 6-foot, 4-inch young man was known for his strength and skill with an axe. He became a lawyer and prominent political leader, serving in the Illinois House of Representatives and the U.S. Congress before becoming president in 1861. He led the country through the American Civil War, preserving the Union and abolishing slavery. Lincoln was assassinated just days after the war's end by a Confederate sympathizer.





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Today is the start of the Chinese New Year, the Year of the Ox. The Ox is the second sign of the Chinese zodiac and is believed to exude quiet strength. Oxen are powerful, balanced, and they persevere to accomplish their goals.

Picture of the Day



I had a bad feeling that Joey's new year was going to start out on the wrong foot.

Now it's your turn to come up with a good caption.

Word to the Wise

Judging by its recent inclusion of the word *athleisure*, even the dictionary has decided to relax. *Athleisure* is a combination of the words *athletic* and *leisure* and is defined as "casual, comfortable clothing or footwear designed to be suitable for both exercise and everyday wear."

Only Human

Doctors have discovered a unique way of measuring how stressed out a person is: by studying their earwax. The study shows that the stress hormone cortisol is present in the oily secretions of the ear canal. While cortisol can be found in the blood and even in hair follicles, earwax seems to provide both an easy to find and accurate measure of the "fight-or-flight" hormone. Doctors theorize that measurements of cortisol can help better diagnose people who struggle with mental health problems.

Whatchamacallit?

What do you call a group of whales?

gam blubber
streak drove

ANSWER: GAM