# Trivia

#### did you know that ...

Vanilla flavoring is derived from orchids.

The term used for the science of growing an apple is Pomology.

Amen in Hebrew means "so be it".

1 knot of speed is equivalent to 1 nautical mile per hour.

A bullseye is worth 50 points in the game of darts.

Monaco is the world's most densely populated country.

A barometer measures atmospheric pressure.

At the start of a chess game each player begins with 8 pawns.

Greenland is the world's largest island.

An Olympic size swimming pool has 8 lanes.

In 1952 Israel offered Albert Einstein it's presidency.

The first US billionaire was John D. Rockefeller.

Pinocchio in Italian means pine head.

You have \$1500 at the start of the game Monopoly.

The latin word circa before a date means "about".

The elephant is the only animal with 4 knees.

The diameter of a golf hole is  $4\frac{1}{4}$ ".

The southern most capital city in the world is Wellington, New Zealand.

Second largest country in the world is Canada.



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# Spotlight

### **Dixon Fire**

Since 2006 Dixon Fire has steadily built the trust of their customer base through the manufacture and distribution of quality UL and FM approved brass fire products.

In June of 2011 Dixon acquired Northline Coupling Systems, based in Mississauga, Ontario. This acquisition further expanded their product offering to include aluminum fire products, valve hardware, Storz connections and dry hydrant systems.

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## Dates in History

**1899** On March 6th, the Imperial Patent Office in Berlin registered Aspirin, the brand name for acetylsalicylic acid, on behalf of the German pharmaceutical company Friedrich Bayer & Co.

1932 On March 1st, Charles Lindbergh III, the 20-month-old son of aviation hero Charles Lindbergh, was kidnapped from the family's new mansion in Hopewell, New Jersey.

- 1961 On March 1st, John F. Kennedy issued an executive order establishing the Peace Corps. This force would be made up of civilians who would volunteer their time and skills to travel to underdeveloped nations to assist them in any way they could. During the 1960s and 1970s, thousands of Americans—especially young people—flocked to serve in dozens of nations, particularly in Latin America, Africa, Asia, and the Middle East. The program continues to function, and thousands of Americans each year are drawn to the humanitarian mission and sense of adventure that characterizes the Peace Corps.
- **1963** On March 5th, the Hula-Hoop, a hip-swiveling toy that became a huge fad across America when it was first marketed by Wham-O in 1958, is patented by the company's co-founder, Arthur "Spud" Melin. An estimated 25 million Hula-Hoops were sold in its first four months of production alone.
- **1966** On March 1st, Venera 3, a Soviet probe launched from Kazakhstan on November 15, 1965, collided with Venus, the second planet from the sun. Although Venera 3 failed in its mission to measure the Venusian atmosphere, it was the first unmanned spacecraft to reach the surface of another planet.

## On the Lighter Side

A lady went to a psychiatrist complaining of a terrible phobia. "Every time I lay down on my bed I get this terrible fear that there is something underneath." "Wow" responded the psychiatrist "I've never heard of such a phobia, but like all phobias it can be treated, but it will likely take around 20 sessions." "OK" responded the lady "how much is each session?" "Oh it's just \$80 a session, but trust me it's well worth it." When the lady didn't come back to the psychiatrist he gave the lady a call. "How come I didn't hear from you? he asked." "Well" responded the lady "when I came home and told my husband about the cost he thought he would save some money, he just cut the legs off the bed!"

*Three engineers and three accountants are traveling by* train to a conference. At the station, the three accountants each buy tickets and watch as the three engineers buy only a single ticket. "How are three people going to travel on only one ticket?" asks an accountant. "Watch and you'll see," answers an engineer. All of them board the train. The accountants take their respective seats but all three engineers cram into a restroom and close the door behind them. Shortly after the train has departed, the conductor comes around collecting tickets. He knocks on the restroom door and says, "Ticket, please."The door opens just a crack and a single arm emerges with a ticket in hand. The conductor takes it and moves on. The accountants saw this and agreed it was a clever idea. So after the conference, the accountants decide to copy the engineers on the return trip and save some money. When they get to the station they buy a single ticket for the return trip. To their astonishment, the engineers don't buy a ticket at all."How are you going to travel without a ticket?" says one perplexed accountant. "Watch and you'll see," answers an engineer. When they board the train the three accountants cram into a restroom and the three engineers cram into another one nearby. The train departs. Shortly afterward, one of the engineers leaves his restroom and walks over to the restroom where the accountants are hiding. He knocks on the door and says, "Ticket, please."

