Trivia

Ted Hastings set a world record by wearing 260 T-shirts at one time.

You will find the Malabar giant squirrel, whose fur coat can range in color from black and brown to orange, maroon and purple, in Southern India.

The cheesiest pizza ever was topped with 154 varieties of cheese.

Dragonflies have six legs but can't walk.

The thing used to measure your feet at the shoe store is called a Brannock Device[®].

Sloths can hold their breath for longer than dolphins.

"Schoolmaster" is an anagram of "the classroom."

There is only one walled city in North America: Quebec City.

An 'x' was first used to represent a kiss in 1763.

The longest TV ad of all time was 14 hours and promoted Old Spice Deodorant.

There's typically a 200 millisecond gap between conversational responses.

Bananas glow blue under ultraviolet lights.

When designer Gustav Eiffel finished his tower, he built himself a secret apartment on the third level for private reflection and to entertain prestigious guests.

There's a year-round water delivery mail route in Magnolia Springs, Alabama.

"Swims" is still recognizable as "swims" when read upside down.

Scotinomys teguina, better known as Alston's singing mouse, can sing almost 100 notes and is capable of engaging in high-speed duets.



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- 1778 After a notoriously harsh winter encampment, George Washington's strengthened and confident Continental Army of 15,000 marched out of Valley Forge in pursuit of the British Army on June 19th.
- George Williams founded the Young Men's 1844 Christian Association (YMCA) on June 6th after being appalled by the terrible conditions in London for young working men.
- On June 19th, the first officially recorded, 1846 organized baseball match was played under Alexander Joy Cartwright's rules on Hoboken's Elysian Fields. The New York Base Ball Club defeated the Knickerbockers with a final score of 23-1.

1960 *Psycho*, the psychological horror film directed by Alfred Hitchcock, starring Janet Leigh, Anthony Perkins, and Vera Miles, opened on June 16th in New York City.

- On June 26th, the first 157 women entered 1976 the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Because there were no female upper class cadets enrolled who could serve as mentors, the Air Training Officer model, used in the early years of the academy, was revived. Fifteen young female officers were brought in to help with the integration process.
- On June 2nd, Ken Jennings began his 74-2004 game winning streak on the syndicated TV game show Jeopardy! Jennings' reign ended on November 30th after winning \$2,520,700.

On the **Lighter Side**

After my kids bragged about what levels they'd attained in a video game, I decided to give it a try. Soon, it was my turn to boast that, in spite of being a newbie, I'd already managed to get to level 11. That's when my youngest son pointed out that the "11" I was seeing on the screen was actually the game's pause button.

I was waiting in a long security line at the airport in Orlando, Florida. People were fussing, moaning, and groaning. I heard a mom say to her son, "It won't be too long, and you don't even need to take your shoes off." The boy replied, "Can we get a fast pass?" I chuckled to myself, thinking they must have just come from Walt Disney World.

My dog, Shadow, is smart as a whip, but she sheds like crazy. One day Shadow brought me a tuft of her black fur. I thought, I wonder where she found that? But I rewarded her with a treat and put the fur in the trash. Later, she traded a second clump of fur for a treat. When she brought me another one, I realized it looked familiar. Sure enough, there was no fur in the trash. Shadow was trading the same tuft for treats. She knew she was busted and innocently put her head on her paws and fell asleep.

Joe always went to his local barber for a monthly shave and haircut. But one day the barber was ill. So the barber's wife, Grace, took over. Joe noticed over subsequent weeks that his hair was not growing. The barber, an evangelical Christian, explained the mystery. "When you're shaved by Grace," he said, "you're once shaved, always shaved."

Visiting the U.S. Naval Academy, I noticed several freshmen on their hands and knees holding pencils and clipboards. "What are they doing?" I asked our tour guide. "Each year, the upperclassmen ask the freshmen how many bricks it took to finish paving this courtyard," he said. "So what's the answer?" I asked. The guide replied, "One."



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