Daily Delight

International Cat Day

International Cat Day is truly an international day, as it is celebrated in most countries around the world. It is a special day to celebrate domestic cats of all kinds. According to the sponsors, on this day, "cat lovers around the world unite in a celebration of cats." This is a day to enjoy our beloved feline pets and to pamper them. If you are a cat lover, spend some extra time together.

Give your cat a new toy or a new bandana. As you pamper your cat, don't forget to give your cat a special meal and treat. Don't forget to take a picture of you and your cat and post it on social media. Don't have a cat? Celebrate this day by going to your local animal shelter and adopting a cat.

Today in History

In 1950, American swimmer Florence Chadwick swam the English Channel in a record time of 13 hours and 23 minutes. She set numerous long-distance swimming records over the course of her career. Chadwick was also the first woman to swim the Dardanelles in a round trip.

TRIVIA

What Broadway production was the most expensive ever made?

A Wicked

B The Lion King

C Phantom of the Opera

D Spider-Man

DID YOU KNOW?
A City Before the Dam

Constructing the Hoover Dam required a massive workforce, peaking at 21,000 employees. President Calvin Coolidge authorized the creation of Boulder City, Nevada, in December 1928 to accommodate them. Construction began in 1931, providing cottages for families and dormitories for single workers. A large mess hall served 6,000 meals daily, alongside amenities like a hospital, fire department, train station, and movie theater to support the community. Soon, the city swelled to 21,000 people.

TODAY'S FUNNY

This year, my humor's gone viral...

I'm a meme machine.

TODAY'S WISDOM

"I find the harder I work, the more luck I seem to have."
– Thomas Jefferson

WORD SEARCH

Not What You Think

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F P F K P P C F M Q W D N Z B C X R
U D I B B R H C O Y Q Z J D D A Z M
H P J Q L E L D O N A T I O N S D E
S Z I D S S M N N G X K V E O S E V
A H F N X I M D J H K Z L C X P T J
H M Z L A D J F D G V M Y Y I E A W
L Q S E B E D I V D E X K N N E I G
N R I I A W N K X K G T O V C L O
N Q W N W T N A X P P M A I H H S U
L N I A R I B N J G R Q F T S K M X
G I S P J A N C S U R S I C R P U Z
A A Z S Z L X I Z F P S J E E R A Y
R R F S N M F A D P L E H L K S D V
G F I J Y I L L G W F R D E C Q F Q
T R J X I C O P G C W D X P E M E J
E B I K P U P G F U N D P P H G C Z
M I F U U K P W A G Y A F M C X X O
T O Z C C O C K E R J Z T I Y N Q A
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Checkers	Spaniel	Nixon
Donations	Speech	Cocker
Financial	Details	Fund
Presidential	Address	Election

SUDOKU

How To Play:

Each 9x9 box is comprised of 9 smaller 3x3 boxes. Each of these smaller boxes must be filled in with numbers from 1-9. Each row and column of the larger 9x9 box should not have any numbers repeated.

8	4				9	1	2	7
	9				5		3	8
	6						5	9
			4		3	2		1
	8	6			1	5		3
			5				7	
6	1	7		2		3	4	5
2	3				7			
	5			6	4	7		

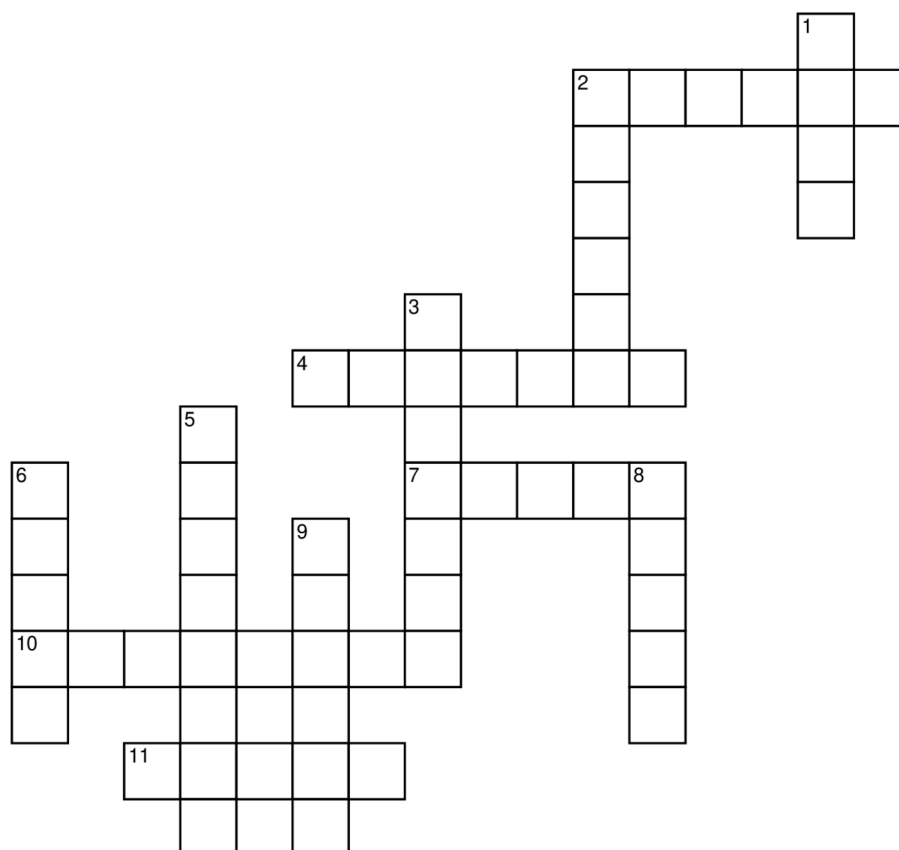|								
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		9		8		7		
1				7		3		4
7				4	5	9	8	
5	8		3		7			
4	9					5		7

Helpful Tip:

If you get stuck, try asking yourself "Where can I place number X in this row or column?" Scan to see if the number is already in that row, column, or box.

State Fair

Across

[2] King of the South
[4] Game, competition
[7] What DJs play
[10] What curators curate
[11] Board or Video _____

Down

[1] Fuel for the body
[2] Knitting or pottery, e.g.
[3] Zoo inhabitants
[5] Festival with rides
[6] Amusement park attractions
[8] Eye ___
[9] Tokens of recognition

Each number stands for a letter. The correlating number for 3 of the letters has been provided as a starting point. Find the numbers in the puzzle and write the assigned letter. Single letters and word length are all hints. Be sure to keep track of what numbers are used for each letter to decode the message!

A B C D E F G H I J K L M
_ _ _ _ _ _ _22 _ _ _ _ _

N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
_ _8 _ _ _ _5 _ _ _ _ _ _

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24   22 4 1 3   4   14 8 26 3

4 13 8 25 5   2 22 3 7 24 18 5 11 6

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13 25 5   24   19 8 12 5

5 22 24 12 26   24 5   10 24 17 17

16 3 5   4   11 3 4 2 5 24 8 12 .

Trivia Answer: D

Spider-Man: Turn Off the Dark was the most expensive musical ever produced, with a reported cost of $75 million, according to Variety.

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F P F K P P C F M Q W D N Z B C X R
U D I B B R H C O Y Q Z J D D A Z M
H P J Q L E L D O N A T I O N S D E
S Z I D S S M N N G X K V E O S P E V
A H F N X I M D J H K Z L C X I E T J
H M Z L A D J F D G V M Y Y I N E A W
L Q S E B A E D I V D E X K N E I L G
N R I I A N W N K X K G T O V C H S O
N Q W N W T N A X P P M A I H H S U
L N I A R I B N J G R Q F T S K M X
G I S P J A N C S U R S I C R E P U Z
A A Z S Z L X I Z F P S J E E R A Y
R R F S N M F A D P L E H L K S D V
G F I J Y I L L G W F R D E C Q F Q
T R J X I C O P G C W D X P E M E J
E B I K P U P G F U N D P P H C Z
M I F U U K P W A G Y A F M C X X O
T O Z C C O C K E R J Z T I Y N Q A
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Sudoku 1

8	4	5	6	3	9	1	2	7
1	9	2	7	4	5	6	3	8
7	6	3	8	1	2	4	5	9
5	7	9	4	8	3	2	6	1
4	8	6	2	7	1	5	9	3
3	2	1	5	9	6	8	7	4
6	1	7	9	2	8	3	4	5
2	3	4	1	5	7	9	8	6
9	5	8	3	6	4	7	1	2

Sudoku 2

2	4	6	9	3	8	1	7	5
9	1	5	7	2	4	6	3	8
8	3	7	6	5	1	2	4	9
6	7	4	5	1	3	8	9	2
3	2	9	4	8	6	7	5	1
1	5	8	2	7	9	3	6	4
7	6	2	1	4	5	9	8	3
5	8	1	3	9	7	4	2	6
4	9	3	8	6	2	5	1	7

Crossword

1 Down: FOOD
2 Across: COTTON
2 Down: CRAFT
3 Down: AID
4 Across: CONTEST
5 Down: CARNIVAL
6 Down: RIDES
7 Across: MUSIC
8 Down: CANDY
9 Down: PRIZE
10 Across: EXHIBITS
11 Across: GAMES

Cryptogram Key

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
4	13	2	19	3	9	16	22	24	14	26	17	7

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
12	8	21	23	11	18	5	25	1	10	15	6	20

I HAVE A JOKE ABOUT CHEMISTRY BUT I DON'T THINK IT WILL GET A REACTION.