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[Man wanted for London acid attack dating TOWIE star Ferne McCann | Metro News](#)

Tanveer Mann for Metro.co.uk Wednesday 19 Apr 2017 7:24 am Police are on the hunt for Arthur Collins, 25, who police would like to speak to after a suspected acid attack injured 20 people at Mangle in Dalston, east London, early on Monday morning (Picture: PA) The boyfriend of reality TV star Ferne McCann is wanted for questioning over an acid attack at a nightclub which left 20 people injured. At least 12 people suffer burns after 'acid attack' at East London nightclub Officers are on the hunt for Arthur Collins after the corrosive liquid was sprayed during an argument at Mangle in Dalston, east London, early on Monday morning. The 25-year-old, from Hertfordshire, is currently dating Ms McCann, best known for her appearances on The Only Way is Essex (TOWIE) and I'm A Celebrity...Get Me Out of Here! Arthur Collins and Ferne McCann were planning a wedding (Picture: Instagram) His home in Broxbourne, Hertfordshire, was raided on Monday night by police carrying out an arrest warrant in connection with the attack, where they allegedly found a cache of firearms, cannabis plants and cultivation equipment. Two clubbers, aged 24 and 29, were seriously hurt in the attack and have been moved to a specialist burns hospital in Essex, the Metropolitan Police said. Police said Mr Collins should not be approached, urging members of the public to instead ring 999. 20 people were injured after a 'noxious substance' was thrown inside the trendy club Mangle. CCTV image issued by the Metropolitan Police of Arthur Collins (Picture:PA) Ms McCann appealed to her boyfriend to turn himself in to police. Home of Ferne McCann's lover Arthur Collins raided by police following London acid attack A 54-year-old man and a 52-year-old woman were arrested at Mr Collins's address on suspicion of cultivating cannabis. Ten people were taken to hospital for burns, while two others with similar injuries sought treatment, emergency services said. A further eight people have since contacted police to report they were injured. Two clubbers, aged 24 and 29, were seriously hurt in the attack and have been moved to a specialist burns hospital in Essex, the Metropolitan Police said. (Picture: PA) Detective inspector Lee McCullough said: 'We now have 20 people suffering from the effects of an acidic substance being sprayed in a confined space in a busy nightclub. 'All have burn related injuries. The noxious substance used has not yet been confirmed but samples retrieved from the scene have been sent for analysis. 'If you were there and saw anyone involved inside or leaving the nightclub, please get in touch.' A spokeswoman for her said: 'Ferne is aware that the police wish to speak to Arthur Collins and the nature of the accusations against him. Obviously these are highly shocking and Ferne has co-operated with the police in their inquiries. Collins is currently dating reality TV star Ferne McCann (Picture: PA) 'She was not with Arthur on Sunday night; was not at Mangle; and has no direct knowledge of the events that unfolded. 'As much as anybody she wants to know the truth and urges Arthur to co-operate fully with the police and attend a police station immediately.' Sisters share shocking pictures of chemical burns after acid attack in Dalston nightclub The police search for Mr Collins comes just one day after Ms McCann revealed the couple had plans to wed. In an interview with OK! magazine, the 26-year-old said: 'We've spoken about our wedding. We want to get married on a beach. I want it to be a party and a celebration.' She said the pair had met on Instagram last August. Australian model Isabella Fraser, 22, was burnt down her arm and back when the liquid seared through her dress and left her unable to breathe (Picture: Facebook) (Picture: Facebook) Among those hurt was Sadie Wright, the cousin of ex-Premier League footballer Jamie O'Hara, who later described the attack as 'sick'. Australian model Isabella Fraser, 22, was burnt down her arm and back when the liquid seared through her dress and left her unable to breathe, according to reports. Her sister, Prue, 20, was also scalded by the noxious substance. Hundreds of people were at the venue when the incident occurred, and roads were closed as emergency services, including a hazardous area response team, rushed to the scene. Isabella Fraser and Prue Fraser were both injured in the incident (Picture: Caters) Witnesses reported several victims were outside with burns across their bodies, while others were seen pouring water on what appeared to be an injured friend. The Only Way Is Essex stars Jamie Reed, Jade Lewis and Chloe Meadows were among those forced to leave the bank holiday LoveJuice event. A Hertfordshire Police spokeswoman said: 'Police conducting an arrest warrant at an address on White Stubbs Lane, Broxbourne, at 19.50pm on Monday April 17, discovered cannabis plants and cultivation equipment. More

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[Khloe Kardashian Eats After Gym — When Leaving Workout: What She Does - Hollywood Life](#)

Khloe Kardashian's workout routine is serious #fitspo and we are willing to follow any and all advice she has! She what she does RIGHT after leaving the gym below! Khloe Kardashian, 32, spilled her post-gym secrets on her app and website on April 18. "How you recover from your workout is just as important as the workout itself," she wrote. "Your body needs to adapt to the physical stress of exercise by repairing muscle and replenishing energy stores in order to maximize all the amazing benefits of a tough sweat sesh. You've already put in the hard work, so make sure you're reaping #yourbestbody rewards by using these simple recovery techniques!" Khloe Kardashian's Weight Loss Transformation — SEE PICS 1. TAKE A BATH "Intense exercise depletes the body of magnesium, leading to muscle cramps, joint pain and inflammation, all of which can cause you to call it quits when the pain gets too real. Replenish your magnesium supply by pouring two cups of Epsom salts (naturally composed of magnesium sulphate) into a warm bath and soak for 15 to 30 minutes. I store my salts in decorative jars and display them for a pretty bathroom accent." I like Dr Teal's salts — it's super affordable and they smell amazing. 2. ROLL OUT "Give your muscles some post-workout deep-tissue love using a foam roller, massage therapy ball or a muscle roller stick. "Rolling" puts targeted pressure on your muscles and connective tissue, releasing trigger points where you feel tight and sore. This helps release the toxic build up of lactic acid that accumulates in your muscles after an intense workout, helping to prevent injury, increase flexibility and speed up the recovery process. Hurts SO good!" 3. EAT SOMETHING "The first 45 minutes after

exercise is your "anabolic window," which is the period of time that food is converted to build lean muscle. I always make sure I have a meal within that time frame, and smoothies are usually my go-to . Try combining these three key ingredients for a simple smoothie that refuels your body and repairs your muscles. Bananas are an excellent source of carbs and potassium, both of which are depleted post-workout; Protein World's Whey Protein replenishes amino acids that are known to be fast-acting and easily digested; almond butter provides unsaturated fat for an energy pick-me-up and salt to restore electrolytes. A pack of almond butter on it's own is better than nothing, so I ALWAYS keep them handy!" She likes Justin's Almond Butter packets. Read her smoothie recipe here ! HollywoodLifers , what do you do after working out? More Khloe Kardashian News:

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Egyptian archaeologists yesterday unearthed several mummies and hundreds of funerary statues in a 3,500-year-old tomb near the city of Luxor, the latest in a series of major discoveries of ancient relics . The discovery was made by an Egyptian archaeological mission working in the Draa Abul Nagaa necropolis near the famed Valley of the Kings. The antiquities ministry said that the tomb was built for a nobleman named Userhat who worked as the city judge during the New Kingdom period, from roughly 1,500 to 1,000 B.C. A member of an Egyptian archaeological team stands near artifacts discovered in a 3,500-year-old tomb in the Draa Abul Nagaa necropolis, near the southern city of Luxor, on April 18, 2017 It was opened to add more mummies during the 21st Dynasty, about 3,000 years ago, to protect them during a period when tomb-robbing was common, Mostafa Waziri, the head of the archaeological mission, said at the site. Mr Waziri said another chamber was found containing the statues, which depict kings from different dynasties. The mission is working to restore the tomb and unearth the rest of its chambers. Mr Waziri said that his team is working in restoring the wooden coffins so it could be moved. He said the mission has discovered the inhabitants of the tomb died because of a disease, and that they are working to discover which type. Egyptian archaeologists document the content of a recently discovered tomb at the Draa Abul Nagaa necropolis in Luxor's West Bank, 650km south of Cairo, Egypt, 18 April 2017 Credit: AHMED TARANH/EPA "It is a T-shaped tomb (which) consists of an open court leading into a rectangular hall, a corridor and an inner chamber," the ministry said in a statement. A nine-metre shaft inside the tomb held the Ushabti figurines, as well as "wooden masks and a handle of a sarcophagus lid," the ministry said. "The corridor of the tomb leads into an inner chamber where a cachette of sarcophagi is found." Ushabti is a minor size statue, which was a funerary figurine used in Ancient Egypt. U shabti states representing the days of the year, used to be placed around the sarcophagus in tombs to act as servants or minions for the deceased. Journalists and members of an Egyptian archaeological team stand near artifacts discovered in a 3,500-year-old tomb in the Draa Abul Nagaa necropolis, near the southern city of Luxor, on April 18, 2017 Credit: AFP Egypt's ministry of antiquities has announced several discoveries recently. It hopes that the new discoveries would revive tourism, which has suffered greatly because of the political unrest following 2011 uprising and most recently the terrorist attacks carried by Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (Isil) affiliated groups, which reached Egypt's mainland. An archaeologist works on a wooden coffin discovered in a 3,500-year-old tomb in the Draa Abul Nagaa necropolis, near the southern Egyptian city of Luxor, on April 18, 2017 Credit: AFP

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Home Bollywood Manisha Koirala Will 'Revisit' Her Own Battle With Cancer While Playing Nargis Dutt "Whenever I see a cancer patient today it is like reliving the moment. I am affected in any which ways," said Manisha Koirala Written by: Tishya Misra | April 19, 2017 16:55 IST (New Delhi) 1075 Shares Manisha Koirala was last seen in 2016 Malayalam movie Edavappathy (Manisha Koirala) Highlights "It is a great opportunity to be playing Nargis Dutt," said Manisha "I am yet to start shoot for Sanjay Dutt biopic," said Manisha Koirala Ranbir Kapoor will portray the role of Sanjay Dutt in the film Actress Manisha Koirala is all set to portray the role of Sanjay Dutt's mother Nargis in the biopic, directed by Rajkumar Hirani. The 46-year-old actress, who is a cancer survivor, told news agency PTI that she will be revisiting her own struggles while portraying the role of Mr Dutt's mother in the biopic. "Whenever I see a cancer patient today it is like reliving the moment. I am affected in any which ways. When I will be performing that (Nargis Dutt's role). I am yet to start shoot, of course I will be revisiting that," PTI quoted Manisha Koirala as saying. Nargis Dutt died in 1981 due to pancreatic cancer, just days before Sanjay Dutt made his debut in Hindi films. Manisha Koirala is 'excited' to be portraying the role of Nargis in the Dutt biopic . The Bombay actress told PTI: "It is a great opportunity and honour to be playing Nargis Dutt ji on-screen. She is a legendary figure. I hope I do justice to the chance that is given to me. We did couple of look test and I think we have got closer to the look both in short or long hair. I am excited and kicked about it." The film, which is being produced by Vidhu Vinod Chopra, features Ranbir Kapoor in lead role. It also stars Paresh Rawal as Sunil Dutt, Dia Mirza as Manyata Dutt and Sonam Kapoor as Tina Munim. Talking about her other upcoming projects, Manisha Koraila told PTI: "There are other films that I am doing and as and when we go ahead the producers will announce it. Also, as far as health is concerned I would want to do a chat show about it. I am glued to understand health and human body. If that comes my way I will do it." In 2012, Manisha Koirala was diagnosed with ovarian cancer . The Mann actress won the battle with the disease in 2015 after which she has been actively involved in spreading awareness about cancer. "After that lot of things changed. I understood the importance of health and life and I connected with my soul. I think a person does become weak mentally and emotionally with any disease. But even in that time also one should be strong. I believe in the divine, we all have the strength and courage within us we just have to look for it," PTI quoted Manisha Koirala as saying. (With PTI inputs)

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We Watched The Season 7B Premiere Of "Pretty Little Liars" And Here's What We Thought The real mystery is: How many Rosewood wives has Peter Hastings slept with? Posted on April 19, 2017, 05:41 GMT Share 1. Here we go team. The final 10 episodes. 2. Lol at the ambo asking Spencer, "Who's your mom?" I mean, she couldn't answer that coherently even in perfect health. 3. "Maybe they thought we knew too much about something." Oh Emily, literally no one is worried about you knowing too much about anything. 4. Also there is no way that anyone can know too much about anything. These storylines are all such a mess, everyone's related to everyone, and people keep dying and disappearing. Does I. Marlene even know where this is going? 5. Wait, why did Mary Drake run away? I can't even remember why she was at the blind school in the first place. Hmmm. 6. OF COURSE everyone survived and is 100% fine except Yvonne the random background character with no relevance. Placing bets on the fact they'll kill her off so Spencer and Toby reunite. 7. Ah good. Another post-sex scene to remind us once again, that these girls are adults. 8. All of these girls are suspiciously very OK considering they just witnessed a shooting and a beheading. 9. I guess they're used to it by now. 10. Lmao imagine being Ali. How do you say to your doctor, "hello can I please get a DNA test for my baby. I know who the father is but I'm not 100% sure if I'm the mother" Freeform Share 11. Ezra doesn't have a great track record with his partners getting abducted, hey? 12. Will they ever address WHY Nicole was kidnapped? And also why we should even really care at all? 13. I'm so happy they're literally talking about "endgame" in the show. It's like they're saying "stick with us guys, it's really nearly over, see we're even EXPLICITLY saying it, don't give up now". 14. Wow A.D. has really gone hi-tech on the "presents". 15. Aria's doll even has little pink streaks in its hair... maybe A.D. is Jason after all. 16. THANK GOD Mona is here I'm sure she'll sort everything out. 17. But wait can she funnel her energy into doing something productive to find A.D., instead of focusing on Hanna's unnecessary career? 18. S the cops know that Rollins was really Archer Dunhill? But they think he's still alive? 19. TWO GUNS? Goddamn how do all these people get their hands on these guns? Oh right... they live in America. 20. But does that mean Mary was shooting at them too? Share 21. Who the fuck is Holden? Why are they introducing new characters? Don't we have enough loose ends to tie up? (Where is Lorenzo? Where is Lucas? Where is Jason?) 22. OK, apparently we've seen him before but clearly he had no significance because I have no clue at all who he is supposed to be. 23. MONA IS PERFECT IN THIS EPISODE, AS USUAL. 24. I'm so happy to see Mona and Hanna working together again I just wish it was about something mysterious, not a fucking dress. 25. Oh thank god, Olivia Benson is back to save the day. 26. But also why did it take her a WHOLE WEEK to come back after HER DAUGHTER WAS SHOT? SHOT. WITH A GUN. 27. OMG Spencer thanks for coming through with a recap that was better than the one at the beginning of the episode. 28. "You want a glass of wine?" YAS BRING THAT WINE MOM AESTHETIC BACK. 29. I am so sad Olivia Benson isn't Spencer's mother. Thank god she's still Melissa's mom, otherwise she'd have to leave the Wine Mom Squad. 30. PETER FUCKING HASTINGS. Can't you keep your goddamn dick in your pants for five fucking minutes? 31. Also like, Peter saw Mary in a restaurant? And what, just after entrées was all "hey babes come to the bathroom for a quickie"? Ew. 32. Olivia Benson why did you stay with Peter Hastings after this, goddamn you're better than that. 33. S it sounds like Mary tricked Peter into sleeping with her by pretending she was Jessica? What the fuck is this show? 34. Lmao this flashback of Spencer's birth should technically be set in the mid-90s, why are they all dressed like film noir characters from the '40s? That hat is ridiculous. Freeform

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PM May to make statement outside Downing Street office

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the media outside 10 Downing Street, in central London, Britain April 18, 2017. REUTERS/Stefan Wermuth 3/11 left right Television crews arrange their lighting and recording equipment in the shadow of the Houses of Parliament, in central London, Britain April 18, 2017. REUTERS/Peter Nicholls 4/11 left right A union flag is seen near the Houses of Parliament in London, Britain April 18, 2017. REUTERS/Stefan Wermuth 5/11 left right Britain's Prime Minister Theresa May speaks to the media outside 10 Downing Street, in central London, Britain April 18, 2017. REUTERS/Toby Melville 6/11 left right Britain's Prime Minister Theresa May speaks to the media outside 10 Downing Street, in central London, Britain April 18, 2017. REUTERS/Toby Melville 7/11 left right Britain's Prime Minister Theresa May speaks to the media outside 10 Downing Street, in central London, Britain April 18, 2017. REUTERS/Toby Melville 8/11 left right Britain's Prime Minister Theresa May speaks to the media outside 10 Downing Street, in central London, Britain April 18, 2017. REUTERS/Toby Melville 9/11 left right Britain's Prime Minister Theresa May speaks to the media outside 10 Downing Street, in central London, Britain April 18, 2017. REUTERS/Stefan Wermuth 10/11 left right FILE PHOTO: Britain's Prime Minister, Theresa May, delivers a speech to launch the Conservative Party's local elections campaign, in Calverton Village Hall, Calverton, Britain April 6, 2017. REUTERS/Andrew Yates 11/11 By Elizabeth Piper , Kylie MacLellan and William James | LONDON LONDON British Prime Minister Theresa May called on Tuesday for an early election on June 8, saying she needed to strengthen her hand in divorce talks with the European Union by bolstering support for her Brexit plan. Standing outside her Downing Street office, May said she had been reluctant to ask parliament to back her move to bring forward the poll from 2020. But, after thinking "long and hard" during a walking holiday, she decided it was necessary to try to stop the opposition "jeopardising" her work on Brexit. Some were surprised by May's move - the Conservative prime minister has repeatedly said she does not want to be distracted by campaigning - but opinion polls give her a strong lead and the British economy has so far defied predictions of a slowdown. Growth is faster than expected, consumer confidence is high and unemployment low, but the economy may be poised to pass its peak as consumers start to feel the strain from rising prices. Sterling rose to a four-month high against the U.S. dollar GBP=D4 after the market bet that May would strengthen her parliamentary majority, which Deutsche Bank said would be a "game-changer" for the pound. But the stronger pound helped push Britain's main share index .FTSE to close down 2.3 percent, its biggest one-day loss since June 27, days after Britain voted to leave the EU. "It was with reluctance that I decided the country needs this election, but it is with strong conviction that I say it is necessary to secure the strong and stable leadership the country needs to see us through Brexit and beyond," May said. "Before Easter I spent a few days walking in Wales with my husband, thought about this long and hard, and came to the decision that to provide that stability and certainty for the future that this was the way to do it, to have an election," she told ITV news. May called U.S. President Donald Trump, German Chancellor Angela Merkel and other European leaders after the announcement, a spokesman said, without giving details of the conversations. RUNAWAY LEAD Britain joins a list of western European countries scheduled to hold elections this year. Votes in France in April and May, and in Germany in September, have the potential to reshape the political landscape around the two years of Brexit talks with the EU expected to start in earnest in June. May is capitalising on her runaway lead in the opinion polls and she could win around 100 additional seats in parliament. A survey conducted after May's announcement put her Conservative Party 21 points ahead of the main opposition Labour Party. The ICM/Guardian poll of 1,000 people showed Conservative support at 46 percent, with Labour on 25 percent and the Liberal Democrats on 11 percent. May's personal ratings also dwarf those of Labour leader Jeremy Corbyn, with 50 percent of those asked by pollster YouGov saying she would make the best prime minister. Corbyn wins only 14 percent. May, a former interior minister, was appointed prime minister after Britain's vote to leave the European Union forced the resignation of her predecessor David Cameron. The election will be a vote on her performance so far. She is counting on winning the support of British voters, who backed Brexit by 52-48 percent. Some Britons questioned on social media whether they wanted to cast yet another ballot less than a year after the June referendum and two years after they voted in the last parliamentary poll. However, the ICM/Guardian poll found that around three in five respondents said May was right to call an election. Her spokesman said she had the backing of her top team of ministers and had informed Queen Elizabeth of her plans on Monday. Business groups largely welcomed the move, while expressing concern that the government's focus may stray away from the economy, which May said had defied "predictions of immediate financial and economic danger". Underlining divisions the vote is unlikely to mend, however, Nicola Sturgeon, first minister of the Scottish government, described the decision as a "huge political miscalculation" that could help her efforts to hold a new independence referendum. The government of the Irish Republic also expressed concern that the early election could damage the chances of resolving a political crisis in the British province of Northern Ireland. Irish Prime Minister Enda Kenny was among the leaders called by May, along with European Council President Donald Tusk. Tusk, who is running the negotiations with Britain, said in Brussels that the election was a Brexit plot twist worthy of Alfred Hitchcock - the late film director known as the master of suspense. Before holding the early election, May must win the support of two-thirds of the parliament in a vote on Wednesday, which looked certain after Labour and the Liberal Democrats said they would vote in favour. Labour's Corbyn welcomed the election plan, but some of his lawmakers doubted whether it was a good move, fearing they could lose their seats. At least two said they would not run. If the opinion polls are right, May will win a new mandate for a series of reforms she wants to make and also a vote of confidence in a vision for Brexit which sees the country outside the EU's single market. "The decision facing the country will be all about leadership," May said. "What they are doing jeopardises the work we must do to prepare for Brexit at home, and it weakens the government's negotiating position in Europe." (Additional reporting by Elisabeth O'Leary in Edinburgh, Kate Holton and Andy Bruce in London, editing by Sonya Hepinstall and David Stamp)

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Marijuana legalization: 10 things to know

10 things to know about legal pot by Aaron Smith @AaronSmithCNN April 20, 2017: 8:36 AM ET Will recreational marijuana soon be legal nationwide? Recreational marijuana -- the kind you smoke without a doctor's note -- wasn't legal anywhere in the United States five years ago. Since then, voters in eight states and Washington, D.C., have given it the green light . Sales of legal pot grew to \$6.6 billion in 2016, according to New Frontier , a research company that analyzes the marijuana industry. That includes \$4.7 billion for medical marijuana and \$1.9 billion for recreational. The industry as a whole is projected to exceed \$24 billion by 2025. But there are rules for where you can buy pot and who can smoke it. Related video: Will recreational weed soon be legal nationwide? Here's what you need to know for 4/20, the annual pot holiday: 1. Anyone 21 or older can buy recreational marijuana in Colorado, Washington and Oregon. Pot shops for recreational marijuana have been open for business in Colorado and Washington since 2014, and in Oregon since 2015. 2. You can possess pot and get high legally in eight states and Washington, D.C., as long as you're 21. Recreational marijuana was legalized last year in Alaska, California, Maine, Massachusetts and Nevada . It was legalized in Washington, D.C., in 2015. But recreational dispensaries haven't been established in all those places yet, and state and local authorities are still working out rules for taxation and zoning. If you want to grow your own, check local laws first, because they vary from state to state. Related: 4/20 is Black Friday for marijuana merchants 3. Medical marijuana is legal in 29 states. According to the Marijuana Policy Project, a pro-legalization group, medical marijuana is legal in 29 states and Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico and Guam. West Virginia became the 29th on Wednesday, the day before 4/20, when the governor signed medical marijuana into law. In 18 other states, medical marijuana laws are so restrictive that the MPP considers them "ineffective or flawed." 4. You can still be fired for smoking marijuana. Even if you show up for work as sober as a judge, you can be fired for flunking a drug test in most states. This has happened to some medical patients . Related: Pot businesses worry about Trump, but expect to prevail 5. The government owns and operates a pot store. The city of North Bonneville, Washington, opened the Cannabis Corner in 2015. It's the first municipally owned pot shop. Profits go to special city projects, like

upgrading the local playground. 6. There's a black market for pot, even where it's legal. That's not just because old habits die hard. Illegal pot is cheaper because it's tax-free, while legal recreational pot is taxed heavily. There's a 28% tax in Colorado and a 37% tax in Washington. In Oregon, the tax ranges between 17% and 20%, depending on the city and county. Growers, processors, retailers and buyers all pay taxes. Medical marijuana tends to be cheaper than recreational because it is taxed at a lower rate. Related: Weed is legal in Nevada, but you won't find it on the Strip 7. Banking is a buzzkill for pot shops. Pot remains illegal in the eyes of the federal government, which classifies it the same as heroin. Banks are regulated by the feds, which means that most banks won't go near dispensaries, forcing many of them to deal in cash. In 2014, the Justice Department issued guidelines for banks on how to legally provide financial services to state-licensed marijuana businesses. But many banks remain wary of weed. 8. You can't take marijuana across state lines. Even when two legal states share a border, as Washington and Oregon do, carrying weed across state lines runs afoul of federal law. Don't bring it on a plane, and don't mail it. 9. You can't smoke and drive. Driving while stoned is illegal and dangerous, just like drunken driving. But there's no breathalyzer for weed, a conundrum for cops. 10. You can't smoke weed in public anywhere. Sorry, but those 420 pot parties in city parks are illegal, even in states where cannabis is legal. --CNNMoney's Katie Lobosco contributed to this report. CNNMoney (New York) First published April 19, 2017: 3:07 PM ET

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show chapters The Trump Administration taking credit for deporting 'tremendous criminals' 22 Hours Ago | 00:45 President Donald Trump said Tuesday his administration has deported "tremendous criminals" who have murdered and raped people. In an interview on "Fox & Friends," Trump praised Secretary of Homeland Security John Kelly's policies. "We've gotten tremendous criminals out of this country. I'm talking about illegal immigrants that were here that caused tremendous crime, that have murdered people, raped people ... horrible things have happened," Trump said. "They're getting the hell out or they're going to prison." The president, however, did not provide any evidence of his claim. CNBC has reached out to Homeland Security about Trump's comments and has inquired about any statistics to back up the claim. Trump added that "so many towns and cities" are thanking his administration and him for eliminating a "burden." The president's comment came after Kelly said on NBC's "Meet The Press" on Sunday that "even a single DUI" — driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs — could lead to deportation proceedings. "It is fair to say that the definition of criminal has not changed, but where on the spectrum of criminality we operate has changed," Kelly told NBC. During his presidential campaign, Trump floated the idea of a "deportation force" for undocumented immigrants. —NBC News contributed to this report. Disclosure: NBCUniversal is parent of NBC and CNBC.

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[How Fox News broke the Bill O'Reilly story to its viewers - Apr. 19, 2017](#)

Watch: How Fox News explained O'Reilly's exit Hours after rival networks reported extensively on the ouster of its biggest star, Fox News finally addressed the departure of Bill O'Reilly on-air Wednesday evening. The news was discussed by Howard Kurtz, Fox's media analyst, during a segment on the network's 6 p.m. program "Special Report." The repercussions of O'Reilly's departure had been discussed during the previous hour, during which the hosts of "The Five" talked about the programming changes made in the wake of O'Reilly's departure -- all without mentioning O'Reilly's name. ("The Five" is shifting to 9 p.m., while one of its co-hosts, Eric Bolling, will host his own program at 5 p.m.) By that time, the news had already generated considerable coverage on Fox's primary cable news competitors, CNN and MSNBC. It was also the top story on the websites of the New York Times and the Washington Post. Related: Bill O'Reilly out at Fox News Kurtz had filed a story on Fox's website earlier in the afternoon, but it didn't get mentioned on-air until he appeared Wednesday. After the news of O'Reilly's departure was introduced by "Special Report" anchor Bret Baier, Kurtz paraphrased much of his digital story. He called O'Reilly "the biggest star in the 20 year history at Fox News," but said that some female staffers at the network had grown "uncomfortable" with the idea of him staying on board. The announcement, Kurtz told viewers, came in a "terse statement" earlier in the afternoon from Rupert Murdoch and his sons, James and Lachlan, the owners of Fox News's parent company, 21st Century Fox. The news was also addressed during O'Reilly's old 8 p.m. hour, which on-screen graphics called "The Factor." Substitute host Dana Perino -- who had been one of O'Reilly's fill-ins during the vacation he has been on and was supposed to return from -- began the show by saying, "Before we get to the other big stories of the day, we want to address a situation many of you may already be aware of. Bill O'Reilly, who hosted this program for 20 years, is leaving the Fox News Channel. We know that you, his very loyal viewers, will have a lot of feelings about this and we will talk more about it later on in the program." Perino returned to the subject at the very end of the show. "It is the end of an era here at the Fox News Channel," she said. "As we mentioned earlier, Bill O'Reilly is leaving this chair, and this network, after more than 20 years. Bill has been the undisputed king of cable news, and for good reason. He is an incredibly talented broadcaster who raised the bar for interviewers everywhere. He has also held his staff to exacting standards in his quest to put the best possible program on the air, and they are great. And you, his audience, responded in record numbers, making 'The Factor' the number one cable news show for more than 16 years. You have also been loyal, and we can't tell you how much that means to everyone on 'The Factor.'" The reasons for his departure were not mentioned. Related: What will Bill O'Reilly do now? Fox had for weeks largely ignored the scandal that ultimately brought O'Reilly down. Following the New York Times' report on April 1 that five women received settlements after accusing O'Reilly of sexual harassment or verbal abuse, Fox covered it only once: a brief mention on Kurtz's weekly media criticism program the day after the story was published. Elsewhere in the media, though, the revelation was a big topic among journalists and media executives, with many wondering if O'Reilly -- long seen as invincible for his ability to weather previous controversies -- might actually lose his job. It also prompted dozens of companies to drop advertisements on "The O'Reilly Factor," long the most watched show on cable news. But Fox was mostly silent. O'Reilly never addressed the Times report on his show, and none of his colleagues at the network defended him publicly. The muted response stood in stark contrast to how O'Reilly defended himself against sexual harassment allegations back in 2004, and the scorched earth counteroffensive mounted last summer by supporters of former Fox News chief Roger Ailes after he faced his own harassment allegations. Kurtz discussed the Ailes matter on-air more extensively than he did the O'Reilly controversy. And when Ailes was forced into a resignation in July, it was Kurtz who announced it on air. CNNMoney (New York) 19, 2017: 8:34 PM ET

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Facebook finally makes a virtual reality world 18,

Facebook Spaces: Never see your friends IRL again Facebook just built a virtual reality version of ... Facebook. Mark Zuckerberg kicked off Facebook's annual F8 developer conference on Tuesday. The two-day event, now in its tenth year, drew roughly 4,000 attendees to the San Jose Convention Center in California. This year, the company announced new augmented reality features for your smartphone camera, a cute VR version of the social network for Oculus and even more ways to talk to companies on Messenger. Zuckerberg tests out his standup routine The conference is a chance for Zuckerberg and his executives to wax poetic about all the ways they're changing the world, while also getting brands excited to sell things on Facebook. Newish dad Zuckerberg tried out something different on stage: dad jokes. He made cracks about the other F8 trending this week, "The Fate of the Furious," and joked about his overly long community posts. "I wrote like six more of these, but I understand that some of you are here to see a tech keynote," said Zuckerberg. He reinforced Facebook's commitment to building community, before speaking briefly about the Cleveland murder video that was uploaded to Facebook. Related: Mark Zuckerberg makes cursory mention of Facebook murder video at F8 Augmented reality is already on your phone He quickly pivoted to the main thrust of his keynote: augmented reality, but without the dorky glasses. Facebook is using its new camera tools to launch its own augmented reality platform. Instead of putting on goggles, you will hold up your smartphone and watch as it overlays graphics on the world in front of you in real time. You can add sharks swimming around your morning coffee, or a virtual mug to your table to feel less alone. Add effects to a room, like dripping paintings or rain clouds, and pop-up informational boxes for products or locations. It uses precise location detection, 3D effects and object recognition to make the moving effects work. The platform is available in a closed beta starting Tuesday. Facebook's new camera update already uses some of this "augmented reality," like animated mustaches and glitter beards. Zuckerberg acknowledged that the company was late adding the camera effects to its apps, but said, "I'm confident that now we're going to push this augment reality platform forward." Snapchat released similar features Tuesday morning -- the latest shot in the war between the two companies. Related: Facebook is still trying to make bots happen Facebook Spaces means you never have to leave your home again Last year, Facebook did a silly demo on stage of people hanging out in virtual reality, taking selfies. It was a rough draft for Facebook Spaces, a new virtual reality version of Facebook the company announced today. Facebook Spaces is an app for the Facebook-owned Oculus VR goggles. Facebook described it as "a magical canvas for shared experiences." When you can't just chill on the couch with your bestie IRL, you can put on some goggles and do it as animated people in a virtual version of your living room. Or in a virtual park, Paris, maybe even outer space if you're into that. Rachel Rubin Franklin, the former head of the Sims video game franchise, said it lets you spend time with people and gives "the essence that you're really there together." The app ports in your Facebook profile, so it already knows who your friends are. If you don't have Oculus (most people don't), you can see a VR version of yourself talking to your friends' VR versions. You can build a custom avatar based on your Facebook profile shot, like a 3D bitmoji. This is the future, folks. VR social networks and communities already exist, and they're experiencing the same etiquette questions as social networks. For instance, one woman was sexually assaulted while playing a video game in VR. Facebook Spaces launches in beta for Oculus Rift Tuesday. Forgot your password? Facebook's got your back Facebook is expanding its efforts to eliminate passwords. In January, the company began testing Delegated Account Recovery, a tool that lets you use your Facebook account to log in to another app if you forgot your password. Instead of answering security questions or receiving password reset emails, people can use Facebook to confirm their identity. The security tool is now rolling out to more apps as a closed beta test. New communities just for developers Facebook also announced a number of new tools just for developers. Since coding can be a lonely undertaking, Facebook is launching Developer Circles. They're like Facebook Groups for developers, helping connect people living in the same area and offering educational options like special classes from Udacity. There are new analytics tools and more location information to draw from. Developers can now build simplified pages and apps for people who have slow internet connections. Year one of a 10-year plan A lot has changed since F8's first installment. Over the past decade, Facebook (FB , Tech30) has gone from a single website where people play Farmville to a public company that also owns Instagram, Oculus and What'sApp. At last year's F8, Zuckerberg took a subtle swipe at then-candidate Trump, saying, "Instead of building walls, we can help build bridges." In the first few months of Trump's presidency, Zuckerberg has expressed concern about Trump's executive orders on immigration. COO Sheryl Sandberg has also criticized Trump on his abortion policies . On the heels of the campaign, Zuckerberg made it his New Year's resolution to visit people from every state by the end of 2017 -- though he did not specifically mention Trump as a factor. The U.S. election also put fake news and its impact on real-life decisionmaking in the spotlight. Zuckerberg initially said it was "crazy" that Facebook could have impacted the election, though later backtracked on his comments. CNNMoney (San Jose) 18, 2017: 12:50 PM ET

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7 ways dropping meat from your diet can help save the planet, the economy and your budget - MarketWatch

Getty Images Originally Published By: People cut meat from their diets for many reasons — health, animal welfare, the environment, among others. There is a growing number of individuals who are reducing their intake of animal products to better themselves and the planet. According to a recent survey, 35% of Brits are eating less meat than they did a year ago. This holds true for Americans, too. The term "reducetarian" celebrates this trend in people choosing to eat fewer animal products. It unites vegans and vegetarians (people who eat less meat, just to such a degree that they eat none at all) with everyone who eats less meat than a typical omnivore. And it replaces static and self-defeating identifiers like "lazy vegan" and "cheating vegetarian" with more positive ones. Reducetarians work to cut down their carnivorous consumption by gradually reducing their meat, egg, and dairy intakes. They play around with Meatless Monday, Vegan Before Six, and Weekday Vegetarianism to see what works best for them. Here are seven reasons this flexible and easy approach to eating will help you become a happier, healthier, and richer person: 1. You will lower your grocery bill. A family of four may spend anywhere from \$760 – \$1160 a month for groceries. Vegetables, fruits and plant-based protein are some of the cheapest products on the market, not to mention the best return in nutrient value. The average retail price for beef is about \$6/lb (\$8/lb for sirloin) whereas \$1.49 for a pound of black beans. With 15 g of protein and fiber per cup, your wallet and body will thank you. In fact, one study showed that the average vegetarian saves at least \$750 per year on his or her grocery bill. 2. You will cut down on your carbon footprint. According to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, animal agriculture accounts for approximately 15% of all greenhouse gas emissions — that's more than the entire transportation sector combined. But plant-based foods have a much lower carbon footprint than animal-based foods. That's why the average vegetarian has half the carbon footprint of a meat eater; and for a vegan, it's even lower. Cutting down on meat is an easy way to help mitigate climate change. 3. You will help fight world hunger. In 2015, world population reached a staggering 7.3 billion and is expected to hit 8.5 billion by 2030. This increase in mouths to feed creates a rising demand for food. The inefficiencies of feeding plants to raise animals for food instead of feeding these plants directly to people contributes to world hunger. For example, it requires 9 calories of feed for chickens to create 1 calorie from poultry. A decrease in livestock production, as well as a decrease in land to grow crops to feed these animals, will help combat this critical issue. 4. You will help conserve water. Just one pound of meat requires roughly 2,500 gallons of water — that's 10 times the amount of water required to grow one pound of grain protein. This would mean that the water used to make one burger is equivalent to the amount of water used when showering for two whole months (assuming a four minute daily shower). It's no surprise that animal agriculture accounts for 80% to 90% of U.S. water consumption. With drought-stricken areas on the rise, reducing your consumption of meat can help conserve

our precious water. 5. You will be saving farm animals from cruelty. Factory farmed livestock live in inhumane and cruel conditions. From extremely crowded cages to harming of animals through practices like "de-beaking," over 95% of the meat that we find in our grocery store comes from these horrible places. Reducing your consumption of animal products will help lessen the demand for them. 6. You will save money on medical bills. The American Dietetic Association declared that "appropriately planned" reducetarian diets, including vegetarian and vegan diets, will provide you with the nutrition you need to stay healthy as well as aid in prevention of certain diseases. Evidence suggests that following a plant-based diet will lower your risk of heart disease, a leading cause of death in the U.S.d States. Furthermore, reducing your meat consumption may help lower your cholesterol levels and blood pressure as well as your risk of developing Type 2 diabetes. Given how expensive it is to treat these non-communicable diseases, eating less meat could save you thousands of dollars in health care bills. On a global scale, changing your diet could contribute to saving around \$700 million in health care, unpaid informal care and lost working days. 7. You will fuel a growing revolution of start-ups and investment in good food companies. As the plant-based industry continues to grow, so does its economic value. The Plant-Based Foods Association estimates the industry's annual revenue is roughly \$4.9 billion dollars and is expected to keep growing. More than 2,000 jobs (that pay better than many other jobs) are added to this sector every year. Supporting plant-based companies like Impossible Foods and Beyond Meat will not only benefit your taste buds, but also the economy. Brian Kateman is editor of "The Reducetarian Solution: How The Surprisingly Simple Act of Reducing The Amount of Meat in Your Diet Can Transform Your Health and The Planet," co-founder and president of the Reducetarian Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to reducing meat consumption to create a healthy, sustainable, and compassionate world. He is a TEDx speaker and leading expert on food systems and behavioral change. Share this:

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[High schooler sells \\$1M in custom socks](#)

High schooler sells \$1 million in custom socks by Parija Kavilanz @CNNMoney April 20, 2017: 9:20 AM ET The unwritten rules of sock fashion Brennan Agranoff is a 17-year-old with a lot on his plate. The high-school junior balances homework with another full-time job he's had since he was 13: He's founder and CEO of HoopSwagg, a custom socks startup. HoopSwagg isn't just a little project on the side for this teenager. In four years, Agranoff has grown his idea to make custom-design athletic socks into a profitable online-only business with annual sales of more than \$1 million. Agranoff's lightbulb moment came in 2013 at a high-school basketball game, where he noticed most kids were wearing the same plain Nike athletic socks. If these simple socks started such a craze, he wondered: What would happen if he kicked things up a notch and printed custom designs on them? Brennan Agranoff, founder and CEO of custom socks startup HoopSwagg. Related: An Indian technologist creating factory jobs in America Fast forward four years, and HoopSwagg now offers more than 200 original designs created by Agranoff himself: a mix of goofy (a melting ice cream cone), funky (a spoof of the infamous Portland International Airport carpet) and tongue-in-cheek ("goat farm," a family inside joke scattered with photos of the real animals on the family's property). Agranoff also wants to allow customers to create their own designs in the future. The company is now shipping 70 to 100 orders a day, with each pair of socks priced at \$14.99. And this week, HoopSwagg announced its first acquisition: It bought competitor TheSockGame.com, which will add over 300 designs to the portfolio and help expand HoopSwagg's customer base. HoopSwagg ships its custom socks to customers nationwide. But HoopSwagg started small. After Agranoff's initial idea at the school basketball game, he spent six months researching logistics like machinery and technology needed for custom digital printing on fabric. He then made the case to two potential investors: his parents. "They thought the concept was a little out there," Agranoff said. But he was persistent and ultimately received a \$3,000 loan. In true startup fashion, HoopSwagg launched in the family garage in Sherwood, Oregon, just outside of Portland. Agranoff set up the design printing and heat presser machines with his family's help. He enlisted his parents to buy "as many white athletic socks as they could get from Dick's Sporting Goods." Hoopswagg's first year was slow. But momentum grew quickly after the socks -- which Agranoff said are "for everyone from 6-year-olds to 80-year-olds" -- took off on social media. Related: Stores are scooping up this nut-free ice cream Agranoff leveraged his own social network and targeted a group of social influencers to help spread the word . In particular, the sock design inspired by the Portland airport's former teal-and-geometric-shape pattern went viral, bringing more attention to the brand. As sales soared, the company quickly outgrew the garage. The Agranoff family built a 1,500-square-foot building on their property to accommodate production, warehousing and shipping. Agranoff in his new 1,500 square feet warehouse on the family's property. His mother joined the business full-time, and Agranoff also has 17 other part-time employees. But self-sufficiency is key to his success, he said. Agranoff also taught himself to code, so he could better set up and manage his business' website, and how to use graphic design tools to develop the designs. He remains the company's only graphic designer, though he is colorblind. Related: A cloth slow cooker is empowering rural women around the world For now, the socks are primarily sold through HoopSwagg's website and via Amazon (AMZN , Tech30) , eBay (EBAY) and Etsy. The next three years are pivotal for HoopSwagg, said Agranoff, who wants the brand to be in retail stores," said Agranoff. He's also expanding customization to other products like shoelaces, arm sleeves and ties. Meanwhile, Agranoff is set to graduate high school six months early. While college is in the plan at some point, he's slated to focus on HoopSwagg full-time after high school graduation. He currently spends about six hours per day on the business, after putting in a day of school and finishing his homework. While Agranoff has never taken a business class, he learned a lot by buying items at garage sales and selling them on eBay -- a pursuit he began when he was eight. "So really, I've been learning how to do this for a while," said Agranoff. "Especially today, with all the information available on the internet, you can't be too young to learn how to be an entrepreneur." CNNMoney (New York) First published April 20, 2017: 9:20 AM ET

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[Today is tax day. Here's what you need to know](#)

6 tax questions you're too embarrassed to ask When it comes to filing your taxes, today is not the day to dawdle. Tax returns are due today -- April 18, 2017 -- as is any remaining money you owe to Uncle Sam for 2016. So if you still have an unpaid balance for last year, you'll have to act fast to avoid getting penalized. The best thing you can do is file your 2016 tax return, or at least file for an automatic six-month extension . If you don't do either, you'll be hit with a failure-to-file penalty. That will amount to 5% of your unpaid taxes for every month -- or part of a month -- that you don't file for up to five months. So that penalty will cap out at 25% of your unpaid taxes. On top of that you'll be subject to a failure-to-pay penalty, which amounts to 0.5% of your unpaid taxes every month, for up to 50 months, for a maximum of 25% of your outstanding balance. Did we mention interest? On top of these penalties , you'll also be charged interest on your unpaid taxes starting on April 19. Here's what you should do if you owe money but still haven't filed: At least file something. As the IRS helpfully notes, "the failure-to-file penalty is 10 times more than the failure-to-pay penalty. So if you can't pay in full, you should file your tax return and pay as much as you can." Or at least file for an extension and include some payment with it. Learn what your payment options are. The IRS has a number of payment plans available if you can't pay all that

you owe . If you owe more than \$10,000, you might consider hiring a tax attorney, enrolled agent or CPA with experience setting up payment plans to represent you. "The more that is owed to the IRS, the more complicated it becomes to negotiate with the government," according to Garrett and Deborah Gregory, two former IRS attorneys who wrote the "Guide to IRS Collections for Liabilities under \$10,000." Filing may help you avoid a late-payment penalty If you've already paid at least 90% of the taxes you owe for 2016, you may be spared the late-payment penalty so long as you at least file for an extension. You will, however, still owe interest on your unpaid balance until it's paid off. If you're reading this and thinking I don't have to file today because I probably don't owe any more money, file anyway. What if you're wrong and it turns out you do owe money? If you don't file your return or apply for an extension, you'll get hit with the penalties above plus interest. Second, if you're owed a refund, why wait? The average refund the IRS has paid out so far this year is \$2,850. 18, 2017: 12:03 AM ET

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[Google Earth gets a mobile-friendly makeover](#)

Google Earth gets a facelift Google Earth is getting a facelift. Google Earth, which is known for showing satellite imagery, topography and 3D buildings, unveiled new features on Tuesday that offer additional information and more interactive experiences. New features like "Knowledge Cards" give more information, history and pictures of places people search for, while "I'm feeling lucky" suggests unique locations, like the Pemba Island off the Swahili coast or the Zao Hot Spring in Yamagata, Japan. "Feeling lucky" features 20,000 curated places that Google says are "a little bit off the beaten path" and a spot a local might recommend. Also, Google Earth now suggest "Points of Interest" it thinks the user will like based on what they have searched for on the past. "Google Maps is for finding your way. Google Earth is for getting lost," Gopal Shah, Google Earth product manager, told CNNTech. "Google Maps is sort of my personal assistant to get me around a place...[With] Google Earth we want to take you where you're not...It's about exploring the world." Google Earth is partnering with organizations like BBC Planet Earth, NASA, Sesame Street and the Jane Goodall Institute for interactive guided tours with its already existing Voyager feature. Google (GOOG) launched a special Voyager story called "This Home," which showcases traditional homes from cultures around the world, such as a Peruvian chuclla and a Bedouin tent. Related: Google blocks invasive Burger King ad from taking over Google Home Users can also click the new 3D button to see locations from any angle, like navigating all the way around the Grand Canyon and seeing its geological layers. People can snap a "postcard" that captures a memory or a dream vacation spot and send it to friends and family. Recipients can click the link to jump right to where the user was virtually standing. The new version of Google Earth rolls out this week on Chrome and Android, and it will appear on iOS and other browsers soon. Users no longer need to download a desktop application to access Google Earth. Previously, the service had limited functionality on mobile, but users can now access all of Google Earth's features from their devices. The company also upgraded its Google Earth virtual reality features with the ability to search for places around the world, and added support for the Oculus Rift headset. In last year's upgrade , the mapping service began using images from a NASA satellite to create clearer and sharper pictures. Google Earth launched more than a decade ago, giving people a space-eye view of earth, while developers got free 3D software. CNNMoney (New York) 18, 2017: 6:20 AM ET

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[New 'Server-Grade' iMac With Next-Gen Xeon Processor Coming End of 2017](#)

New 'Server-Grade' iMac With Next-Gen Xeon Processor Coming End of 2017 3:49 am PDT by Tim Hardwick Apple's new range of iMac s will launch in the second half of 2017 and will include a "server-grade" model to cater for the high end creative professional market, according to Taiwan-based supply chain sources. Apple has already confirmed it is working on new iMac models for release later this year, but today's report offers another hint at what could be in store for creative pros and puts a more specific timeframe on those plans. According to the report, production of two new iMacs is said to begin next month, with a view to launching the consumer desktops between August and October and a "server-grade model" at the tail end of 2017. Apple currently has a 21.5-inch and a 27-inch iMac available in the market and the new products are expected to be the upgrades of the two models and are expected to hit the market in the third quarter to catch up with the year-end holiday season. The report comes from DigiTimes , which has a mixed track record when it comes to rumors, but with Apple already having taken the unusual step of confirming it is working on new iMac models for a late 2017 release, this latest information presents a reasonable timeline. In addition, the technical details from the supply chain line up with previously leaked specs for Apple's upcoming upgrades. According to Tuesday's report, the high end iMac will feature Intel's as-yet-unreleased Xeon E3-1285 v6 processor, options for 16 to 64GB error-correcting ECC RAM, up to 2TB NVMe Express PCI-e solid-state storage, and more ambiguously, a "latest discrete graphics card". Typically, iMacs include a mobile-class GPU rather than a desktop-class card, so this last spec could refer to either, while AMD has a contract with Apple to supply the discrete graphics chips for future high-end 27-inch iMacs. The new iMacs for 2017 are said to be manufactured by Quanta Computer, which is expected to remain the largest all-in-one PC maker in 2017. The earlier report detailing identical tech specs claimed Apple's new iMacs would be accompanied by a brand new keyboard. A previous report said Apple was exploring a standalone keyboard with a Touch Bar and Touch ID , but its release is said to depend on how well those features have been received on the latest MacBook Pro. The original source of the iMac tech specs, Pike's Universum , also claimed Apple is working on an 8K external display, which would presumably feature as part of the company's highest end iMac offering. All iMacs are expected to ship with USB-C ports and Thunderbolt 3 connectivity.

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[New Drone Footage Shows Nearly Complete Apple Park Campus at Night](#)

New Drone Footage Shows Nearly Complete Apple Park Campus at Night Wednesday April 19, 2017 4:30 pm PDT by Juli Clover Apple Park , Apple's second campus in Cupertino, California, is set to have its grand opening this month, and ahead of its official debut, last minute construction and landscaping is continuing on at a rapid pace. As part of a mid-month update, drone pilot Duncan Sinfield has shared a new video of Apple Park, this time getting some gorgeous nighttime shots of the campus lit up at night. In the evenings, the lights on the ring-shaped main building stay on, and it's an impressive sight. The nighttime shots are towards the end of the video, which also shows the completed parking structures, landscaping work with hundreds of trees being planted, final construction on the main building, furniture installation, and more. While employees are set to start working at Apple Park at some point in April, landscaping and construction on auxiliary buildings will continue into the summer. jclo 19 hours ago at 05:17 pm I live near Cupertino and it's hard to grasp the scale from the drone video. It looks straight up amazing at night. Rating: 4 Votes coolfactor 20 hours ago at 04:53 pm remember HP also had a massive campus and they are not the same company anymore. This all started happening 7 years ago with the purchase of land from HP <http://www.mercurynews.com/2010/11/24/apple-makes-big-land-purchase-in-cupertino-2/> But was HP's campus inspiring, designed and built with the planet and people in mind? Or was it just a boring corporate box surrounded by pavement? I think that's a very important distinction. Apple has always had unique values from the very beginning, and I think that influences their course. Rating: 3 Votes zoetmb 20 hours ago at 04:46 pm With just 11 days left to the month, I doubt very much that any employees are moving into the main building this month. Employees may start moving in in May, but there's tons of work left to do. Just getting the construction equipment off of the site would take several weeks. I bet it would take days just to get that orange safety netting off the top of the building. All those very large cartons sitting inside the building must be office modules and the like. All of that has to be put together. This place is huge. Lots of work still to do and the place will need to be cleaned top to bottom to get rid of construction dust before employees move in. And I don't know specifically what California's laws are, but I would assume the place needs a certificate of occupancy. I can't see the authorities granting that until most of that interior space is cleared of construction and packaging debris. All of these videos have shown very light traffic on the highways, so I assume they're shot on Sundays, probably early Sunday mornings. And so we also see relatively few construction workers. Anyone familiar with the site during the week? Are there a thousand construction workers there? Because it seems to me that's what it would take to get it ready for move-in if it's happening before June. Rating: 3 Votes ILuvEggplant 20 hours ago at 04:45 pm Yes, it's sad that he doesn't get to see this come together. What an amazing new presence! I call it Apple City. I love how they designed to minimize light pollution, as well. Truly an impressive building. Now what will come out of Apple over the next 15 years? That's what this was all for, after all, right? Now to wait and see... remember HP also had a massive campus and they are not the same company anymore. This all started happening 7 years ago with the purchase of land from HP <http://www.mercurynews.com/2010/11/24/apple-makes-big-land-purchase-in-cupertino-2/> Rating: 2 Votes 20 hours ago at 04:43 pm Steve Jobs would be proud. Yes, it's sad that he doesn't get to see this come together. What an amazing new presence! I call it Apple City. I love how they designed to minimize light pollution, as well. Truly an impressive building. Now what will come out of Apple over the next 15 years? That's what this was all for, after all, right? Now to wait and see... Rating: 2 Votes 13 hours ago at 11:31 pm With the new building almost finished maybe Apple can concentrate on making computers again. Just sayin'. Rating: 2 Votes 20 hours ago at 04:35 pm Steve Jobs would be proud. except he's dead. EvilEvil 19 hours ago at 05:53 pm I wonder if they're actually going to use the space to build really innovative products or continue with more of the same. Rating: 2 Votes pdaholic 16 hours ago at 08:18 pm I wonder how many people have car accidents driving by and gawking at the building. I drive by it every night after work and it's hard not to turn and look at the thing. Also, anybody in the area seen what's going up on the corner of Arques and Wolfe? Looks like a mini version of the spaceship. [doublepost=1492658599][doublepost] PS: Speaking of rain ... has anyone not noticed that between the auditorium, main circular building, parking and the R&D centre that anyone that needs to move between any of these will be soaking wet during rainfall when they have to? This past winter aside, it hardly ever rains here. Rating: 1 Votes malexandria 8 hours ago at 04:54 am what the heck is a "drone pilot?" If I bought a \$90 drone and flew it would I be a "drone pilot?" Rating: 1 Votes

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[Apple to Dismantle Iconic Glass Cube at Fifth Avenue Store](#)

Apple to Dismantle Iconic Glass Cube at Fifth Avenue Store Wednesday April 19, 2017 12:58 pm PDT by Juli Clover Apple will soon dismantle and remove the iconic glass cube entrance at its Fifth Avenue Apple Store in Manhattan, New York, which is in the process of being renovated and expanded. On March 16, Apple filed a permit for the "full removal of the glass cubical structure at the Apple Store entrance," which, according to BuildZoom, was granted on April 17. The removal of the cube will cost Apple \$2 million, and according to a second source, could commence on May 9. Apple is planning to expand its Fifth Avenue store to double the size of the original location. The store is growing from 32,000 square feet to 77,000 square feet, giving Apple more space at its flagship New York location. It is not yet clear what Apple is planning to do with the cube. It could be temporarily removed to allow for construction underneath, or the company could have bigger cube renovation plans in mind. This will be the second time the cube has been dismantled -- it was torn down in 2011 to allow Apple to reconstruct it from larger, more seamless glass panes. Prior to 2011, the cube was made up of more than 90 glass panes, but the new cube uses just 15. While construction is underway at the new location, Apple has temporarily relocated the store to a nearby empty storefront that formerly housed the FAO Schwarz toy store. Apple has not announced when the new store will be complete, but rumors suggest it will have some notable improvements, including a unique area for a Beats 1 radio station that will enable live in-store Beats 1 broadcasts. 13 hours ago at 01:09 pm How does the removal of the cube cost \$2 million? Rating: 20 Votes JPLC 13 hours ago at 01:05 pm The way I read it, this time the cube will not return? Idk but I sure hope not. This cube is a monument and its got Steve's name written all over it. Rating: 15 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:02 pm Maybe they'll replace the "cube" with a "cylinder". Rating: 14 Votes Jakexb 13 hours ago at 01:10 pm Last time they rebuilt it, they reduced the number of pieces joined together. After their experience building Apple Park, I bet they could get it down to 1 piece per side and a carbon fiber roof. [doublepost=1492632732][doublepost] How does the removal of the cube cost \$2 million? NYC, construction cranes, probably shutting down part of 5th avenue... Rating: 13 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:02 pm I hope they don't get rid of the glowing Apple logo. Rating: 7 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:01 pm Tim Cooking appears to be closing Apple Rating: 7 Votes applesith 13 hours ago at 01:24 pm I live a block away and pass by a few times a day. They recently expanded the construction area to the edges of the street, where now there is a makeshift walk path in the street. It will be interesting to see how the new store looks from above ground. I hope the restore or change the cube and do not entirely remove it. They definitely needed to rework the entrance/exit, as it was always a cluster mess going in and leaving down the one staircase. Rating: 6 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:29 pm Why don't you dismantle my heart while you're at it too, Tim...? :(Rating: 6 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:13 pm Make the Cube floating, come on you have the cash. Rating: 5 Votes mainer4101 13 hours ago at 01:07 pm Maybe this is their way of actively working to address the rumored supply issues for the iPhone 8. Rating: 4 Votes

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[Facebook owns four out of the five most downloaded apps worldwide](#)

Mix • Posted 17 hours ago Facebook continues to storm the numbers as the company has claimed four out of the five spots for the most downloaded apps across the globe during the last quarter. Interestingly, Netflix still lords over everyone as far as revenue goes. New research by app analytics firm Sensor Tower reveals that WhatsApp, Facebook, Messenger, Instagram and Snapchat were the most downloaded apps for the first three months of this year.

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[Xiaomi Launches the Mi 6 with Snapdragon 835, 6GB of RAM, Under-glass Fingerprint Sensor and No 3.5mm Headphone Jack](#)

Sticking to its yearly schedule, Xiaomi has launched the Mi 6 in China. The Mi 6 is the latest flagship from Xiaomi, and is their first device with the Qualcomm Snapdragon 835 processor. The Xiaomi Mi 6 features a design that incorporates both glass and metal. The stainless steel mid frame of the device is sandwiched between four-sided curved glass on the front and back. There is also an exclusive variant which comes with a ceramic back and comes with 18K gold rims around the two rear camera lenses. The front of the device also sports the 5.15" FHD display, which Xiaomi claims comes with 4096 levels of brightness which allows for finer control of display brightness. The Mi 6 also comes with an under-glass fingerprint sensor. Xiaomi also claims that the device is splash-resistant with the SIM tray sealed against splashes, but fails to provide any IP-level protection on the device. On the inside, the Xiaomi Mi 6 sports the Qualcomm Snapdragon 835, along with 6GB LPDDR4x RAM by default across all variants. For internal storage, the Mi 6 comes in a 64GB variant and a 128GB variant, but there is no microSD expansion to be found on this phone. The device comes with a decently-sized 3,350 mAh battery with Quick Charge 3.0 functionality. Given the screen size, resolution and the Snapdragon 835 with its 10nm process, the Mi 6 should be able to provide some good battery life. The Mi 6 also comes with full NFC functionality and Bluetooth 5.0, but lacks a 3.5mm headphone jack. Xiaomi was also strangely silent on the MIUI version and Android version that the device will ship with. The Mi 6 also comes with a dual camera setup on the back. This setup consists of a 12MP wide angle camera with 4-ais OIS and a 12MP telephoto camera that helps in capturing photos with background à la Portrait Mode on the iPhone 7 Plus. The front camera on the device is a 8MP shooter. The Mi 6 will be available from April 28, 2017 in China through Mi.com, Mi Home stores and other partner sites. The 64GB variant of the device will cost CNY 2,499 (~\$363; ■23,500), the 128GB variant of the device will cost CNY 2,899 (~\$421; ■27,200) while the Ceramic edition will cost CNY 2,999 (~\$435; ■28,200). The Mi 6 comes in Black, Blue, White and Silver colors. What are your thoughts on the Xiaomi Mi 6? Do you look forward to purchasing the device? Let us know your thoughts in the comments below! Source: MIUI Forums

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[Nearly 2 Million Snapchat Users' Data Allegedly Leaked by Indian Hackers](#)

Snapchat User Data Allegedly Leaked by Indian Hackers in Response to 'Poor Country' Remark Indian hackers claim to leak 1.7 million user data Hack said to be after CEO Evan Spiegel's alleged India remarks Snapchat has denied any hacking claims It seems there's no end to Snapchat's nightmare as anonymous Indian hackers have now reportedly claimed to have released 1.7 million Snapchat users' data on the deep Web. The move is said to be a repercussion of CEO Evan Spiegel's alleged India-related remarks. The Independent reported the Snapchat user data claims by anonymous Indian hackers, but there no publicly visible claims made by any Indian hacking group so far taking responsibility. Snapchat has since denied the user data leak was done, the report adds. After massive outrage, Snapchat has been denying that Spiegel said anything about India. According to a Variety report, CEO Evan Spiegel said the app was "only for rich people" and not for "poor countries like India and Spain". The Snapchat app has since received massive outrage on Twitter as hashtag "UninstallSnapchat" and "BoycottSnapchat" have been trending. Variety report had cited a former Snapchat employee who claimed that CEO Evan Spiegel had no interest in expansion in different markets , and allegedly said that the "app [Snapchat] is only for rich people," adding that he didn't want to "expand into poor countries like India and Spain." The remark claims has put a dent on Snapchat's App Store ratings which dropped to a single star . Notably, the single star rating for Snapchat's present version on the App Store was based on 6,099 ratings, while the rating for all versions of the app was 1.5 stars, based on 9,527 ratings. On Android, the rating for Snapchat on the Google Play was 4 star, based on 11,932,996 ratings. If the leak claims are true, this won't be the first time that the popular mobile photo-sharing service data has been compromised. In 2014, details of 4.6 million users were leaked on the Internet.

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[Xiaomi Mi 6: Top 6 Features of New Xiaomi Flagship Smartphone | NDTV Gadgets360.com](#)

The Mi 6 sports a four-sided 3D curved glass The smartphone is powered by Snapdragon 835 SoC It also sports a pair of 12-megapixel lenses on the back Xiaomi on Wednesday unveiled its Mi 6 flagship smartphone for the Chinese market. At the event in Beijing, the company highlighted a few new features of the Mi 6 such as its premium 3D glass design, powerful Snapdragon 835 SoC, 6GB of RAM, and dual rear cameras, among other things. Priced at CNY 2,499 (roughly Rs. 23,500) for the 64GB storage and 6GB RAM variant, the smartphone looks to improve on its predecessor, and we take a look at six key Xiaomi Mi 6 features that stand out for the new flagship. Xiaomi Mi 6 design Xiaomi in recent years has managed to package its smartphones with attractive design elements that please the eyes. With the Xiaomi Mi 6 standing as the flagship smartphone for 2017, the company has gone all out to make a good-looking handset. One of the main highlights of the Mi 6 is its four-sided 3D curved glass with an ultra reflective mirror finish being offered in Blue, Black and White options. Xiaomi has also paid a lot of attention to symmetry. The card slot and volume keys on either sides are perfectly aligned, while the antenna lines are aligned to the display. The bottom sees speaker grilles on either side of the USB Type-C port and no 3.5mm headphone jack. Xiaomi has also kept the back as clean as possible for a mirror-like effect with only a dual camera setup on the top left and the 'Mi' logo on the bottom. The sides of the phone are made from stainless steel for a high-gloss outline. There is also a Ceramic variant. Xiaomi Mi 6 processor As one would expect from a flagship smartphone, the Xiaomi Mi 6 is powered by the latest Qualcomm Snapdragon 835 SoC based on the 10nm manufacturing process. The smartphone is also offered with 6GB of RAM which is large enough to handle multitasking, gaming and pretty much anything you want to throw at it. The latest SoC consumes 25 percent less power as compared to the Snapdragon 820, which translates to a longer battery life for the Mi 6. The SoC also provides Gigabit LTE speeds. Xiaomi Mi 6 dual camera The Mi 6 is touted as the first 5.15-inch smartphone to sport a dual camera setup on the back. The rear sees a pair of 12-megapixel lenses, one wide angle and one telephoto that allows you to have 2x optical lossless zoom. This essentially means that you will be able to capture clear, detailed images even with 10x digital zoom. The rear also features a 4-axis OIS stabilisation system so you won't have to worry about shaky hands getting in the way of that perfect capture. Notably, the dual camera also promises to deliver great depth-of-field captures and uses binocular imaging system and deep learning algorithm to clearly define what needs to be focused and what should be blurred out. Xiaomi Mi 6 fingerprint sensor Xiaomi has once again managed to push the fingerprint sensor under the glass of the fingerprint sensor front, which is something it had done for the Xiaomi Mi 5s , using ultrasonic technology. According to the company, this implementation will help ensure the fingerprint scanner will not get damaged with use and wear and tear. Bluetooth 5.0 Bluetooth 5.0 is the next generation in Bluetooth technology. Xiaomi's Mi 6 joins Samsung's Galaxy S8 as being the only two smartphones currently to support Bluetooth 5.0. Xiaomi may not have stressed on this particular feature much but the technology is pretty impressive when compared to the fourth generation Bluetooth technology. Bluetooth 5.0 gives 4x the range, 2x the speed and 8x broadcasting capacity compared to the previous generation. Notably, the new technology is also strong enough to connect the phone to two speakers simultaneously. Stereo speakers Lastly, Xiaomi took some time to highlight the Mi 6's dual speakers on the top and bottom that the company promises will help deliver immersive stereo effect. The dual speakers aims to deliver a surround sound experience while playing music, video or games.

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[Facebook's Messenger Platform 2.0 will be your one-stop-shop for work, play and social](#)

CHECK IT OUT On stage at the McEnery Convention Center in San Jose, David Marcus, VP of Messaging Products, laid bare the company's vision for messenger. It's exciting. You can tell, because Facebook isn't launching another one-point-something version. This is Messenger Platform 2.0. So, what does Messenger Platform 2.0 look like? One theme is Messenger not merely as a tool for social interactions, but a tool for business. David Marcus said that there are 65 million businesses on Messenger. Messenger Platform 2.0 emphasizes discovery, with an aim to make it easier to discover those businesses. It aims to be the Yellow Pages of chat apps. A tangible step forward towards this is the Discover Tab, which is populated with relevant bots and businesses. In the same spirit, Facebook is also overhauling Messenger Codes. These launched last year as a way to connect different Messenger users, but didn't really catch on in the west. That's a cultural thing. We're not particularly used to scanning QR codes and the like on a routine basis. These are now easier to use. The company's Parametric QR codes can be placed anywhere, and can be scanned with Messenger to engage with bots and companies. Bots also made an appearance, with chat extensions. Previously, bots were things you engaged with one-on-one. Now, you can drag them into group conversations. Spotify is an early adopter here. You can now use it to share tracks within group conversations. Already, there are several major companies signed up, including Uber, the Wall Street Journal, Hipmunk, Kayak, and more. Another major announcement is Smart Replies, which allows small businesses to launch their own intelligent autoresponders. These can answer questions when the social media team are off duty, allowing customers to find out basic details like locations, pricing, and opening hours at any time. Although announced a little bit earlier, a component of Messenger Platform 2.0 is M Suggestions. This is found in M — the company's virtual assistant platform — and is used to make recommendations about things to do, stickers to use, and so on. Games also seen a major overhaul. According to David Marcus, 1.5 billion games have been played over Facebook Messenger, so now the company is introducing rich, real-time and turn-by-turn games. It's also introducing a games tab, which makes it easier to discover new titles. It's clear where Facebook is going. It wants Messenger to be a one-stop-shop for everything you do. Work. Play.

Social. Cupertino desperately wants Messenger to do it all. And given what we saw in San Jose, it's clear to see they're on the right track.

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[Xiaomi Mi Max 2 Images Leak Ahead of Expected Wednesday Launch](#)

Xiaomi Mi Max 2 Images Leak Ahead of Expected Wednesday Launch Mi Max 2 seen to sport a fingerprint sensor at the back It is expected to launch alongside Mi 6 on Wednesday It is seen to sport a USB Type-C port Xiaomi is set to launch the Mi 6 flagship at an event in Beijing on Wednesday, and alongside it, the Chinese manufacturer is also rumoured to launch the Mi Max 2 . Just a day ahead of the launch, the Mi Max 2 render images have been leaked, and it gives us a fair idea on the design details of the device. The images were leaked on Weibo, and they unfortunately do not reveal the front of the device. The Mi Max 2 is seen sporting a full-metal body, with the camera and flash situated on the top left corner at the back. Furthermore, the images reveal dual speaker grilles at the bottom edge of the device and a USB Type-C port. The 3.5mm audio jack is seen on the top of the device, and the fingerprint scanner is situated in the centre at the back, just like its predecessor. Apart from the Micro-USB to USB Type-C port change, there's hardly any design difference from its predecessor. Notably, the camera and flash placement has been reversed. Past leaks suggest that the phone will come in variants 4GB RAM + Snapdragon 626 SoC and 6GB RAM + Snapdragon 660 SoC and will be priced between CNY 1,499 (roughly Rs. 14,000) and CNY 1,699 (roughly Rs. 15,900) respectively. The rumour mill also tips that the Xiaomi Mi Max 2 will run Android 7.1.1 Nougat out-of-the-box and will sport a 6.44-inch full-HD (1080x1920 pixels) display. The phone is expected to house a large capacity 5000mAh battery. In terms of optics, the smartphone has been tipped to feature a 12-megapixel rear camera with Sony IMX378 sensor and a 5-megapixel camera at front for taking selfies. Earlier, the Xiaomi Mi Max 2 was expected to be launched by the company in May.

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[Apple Pledges to End Mining and Use 100% Recycled Materials for Products](#)

Apple Pledges to End Mining and Use 100% Recycled Materials for Products Wednesday April 19, 2017 5:13 pm PDT by Juli Clover Just ahead of Earth Day, Apple has released its 2017 Environmental Responsibility Report [PDF] with a lofty new goal: ending mining. Apple says the company is working on a "closed-loop supply chain" that would allow it to stop mining the earth for rare minerals and metals. "One day, we'd like to be able to build new products with just recycled materials, including your old products," Apple says on its updated Environment site. In an interview with VICE , Apple vice president of environment, policy and social initiatives Lisa Jackson commented on the mining plan, saying "it's where technology should be going." "We're actually doing something we rarely do, which is announce a goal before we've completely figured out how to do it," Apple's Vice President of Environment, Policy and Social Initiatives and a former head of the EPA, Lisa Jackson, told VICE News during an exclusive visit to Apple's environmental testing lab on Monday. "So we're a little nervous, but we also think it's really important, because as a sector we believe it's where technology should be going. Much of what goes into an iPhone isn't recycled, but Apple wants to change that by more aggressively using components taken from old iPhones and combining that with "high quality recycled metals" purchased from suppliers. Apple will double down on investments like Liam , the robot that breaks iPhones down into component parts, and it plans to continue to encourage customers to return products through the Apple Renew recycling program. While Apple plans to source more of its materials from recycled goods, Jackson says that though a "product that lasts is really important," the company doesn't have plans to make its devices easier to repair to increase longevity. Jackson also defended Apple's history of making products that are hard to repair. Allowing customers to repair Apple products themselves "sounds like an easy thing to say," she said. But "technology is really complex; it is sophisticated to make it work, to ensure that you have security and privacy, [and] that somebody isn't giving you bad parts." Because of this, Apple won't be taking a "right to repair" approach to meeting its environmental goals. "All those things mean that you want to have certified repairs," Jackson said. Other environmental milestones are also outlined in Apple's report. 96 percent of the power used by Apple facilities around the world comes from clean energy sources, and as has been the case for several years, 100 percent of the electricity that powers Apple data centers comes from solar, hydro, and wind energy sources. Apple now has seven suppliers that have committed to using renewable energy, and the company plans to help suppliers bring 4 gigawatts of renewable power online by 2020. When it comes to packaging, more than 99 percent of the packaging used for Apple products is responsibly sourced. Virgin paper is sourced from protected sustainable forests, and the company has successfully protected or created enough working forests to cover all of its packaging needs. Lisa Jackson's full comments on the 2017 environmental report can be read over at VICE , and Apple's full Environmental Responsibility Report, which goes into much more detail on its recycling efforts, packaging, water usage, and carbon footprint, is available here . 21 hours ago at 05:17 pm "Climate change" Even if you don't believe in climate change or are dead set against "the liberal agenda," why are you against humans being resourceful instead of wasteful? Rating: 50 Votes 20 hours ago at 05:39 pm "Climate change" Regardless of your thoughts on climate why would you not be for this. It's so much more than that hot button. Mining is a disaster for humans and also animal's habitat. And whether you give two

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