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"No persons are more frequently wrong, than those who will not admit they are wrong."

— François de La Rochefoucauld

NASA Plans to Keep Hubble Telescope Working Longer

The Hubble Space Telescope has been one of humanity's greatest tools for exploring the universe. For more than 35 years, it has sent us breathtaking images from deep in space. Now, NASA wants to keep it working even longer.

NASA is asking companies to share their ideas. They want to know if private businesses can help service the Hubble telescope while it is still in orbit. This kind of work in space is becoming more possible as technology improves.

There are a few exciting ideas being explored. One idea is to boost Hubble to a higher position in space. This would help it last longer and keep doing important science. Another idea is to upgrade parts of the telescope to make it even better.

NASA's leader said Hubble still has important work ahead of it. He said we owe it to scientists and the public to explore every good option. More time for Hubble means more discoveries about our universe.

Hubble has truly changed the way we see the cosmos. It has shown us distant galaxies, dying stars, and beautiful space clouds. Scientists hope that with some help, this beloved telescope will keep sharing its wonders with the world for many years to come.

Source: NASA

Famous Faces Help AI Feel Friendly and Trustworthy

Have you ever wished a friendly face could help you with a problem? Soon, that may happen in a whole new way.

Scientists at Iowa State University have been studying a new kind of computer helper. These helpers use artificial intelligence, which we call AI. AI is technology that lets computers think and respond like people.

Here is the exciting part. Researchers found that when an AI helper looks like a famous person you like, you feel better about the experience. Seeing a familiar, friendly face puts people at ease right away.

One researcher called this a "halo effect." That means the good feelings you already have about someone carry over. Even if a mistake happens, people are more forgiving when they trust the face they see.

Scientists say this technology is growing fast. In the future, a friendly AI face may help you with everyday tasks, like banking or shopping from home. It could feel just like talking to someone you already know and trust. Researchers believe this could make life a little easier and more comfortable for everyone.

Source: Futurity.org

One Man's Mission to Bring Hawaii's Fish to Your Table

Meet Caleb McMahan! He is the new leader of the Hawaii Seafood Council. His job is to help people feel close to the food they eat. He also wants to support local fishing jobs and keep Hawaii's seafood supply strong.

Caleb's story has a surprising beginning. In college, he felt restless and unsure of his path. Then, on Halloween night, he met a fisherman from the Bering Sea. That chance meeting changed everything. Right after Christmas, Caleb flew to Alaska and boarded a fishing boat for the first time. He was just 20 years old!

He spent four years fishing in Alaska's cold waters. The experience shaped who he is today. He says it gave him purpose, community, and a deep love for the sea. "I can't overstate what it meant to me," he said warmly.

Over the years, Caleb worked many different jobs in the seafood world. He managed fishing boats, taught programs, and even worked at the Honolulu Fish Auction. Each job taught him something new.

Now Caleb brings all of that knowledge to Hawaii. He wants everyone to enjoy fresh, local seafood. His work helps connect people to the ocean and to the hardworking fishers who feed their tables.

Source: NOAA Fisheries

Rare Hybrid Crabs Boom in Bering Sea Waters

Scientists have made a surprising discovery in the Bering Sea. Two types of crabs have been mixing together to create rare hybrid crabs. And their numbers have grown in a big way.

Snow crabs and Tanner crabs usually live apart. But hybrids of the two have become much more common. Since 2025, these hybrid crabs have increased by more than 13 times. That is truly remarkable.

Researchers at a science lab in Kodiak, Alaska made this discovery. They were studying the ocean floor when they spotted the change. Lead scientist Erin Fedewa said the team was shocked by what they found. She called the results "unprecedented."

Scientists think this happened because snow crabs became fewer in number. This gave the hybrid crabs more room and food to grow. Tanner crabs also increased to record high numbers around the same time. Nature found a way to fill the gap.

This discovery helps scientists learn how ocean life adapts and changes over time. It shows that even small shifts in the sea can lead to big surprises. Researchers will keep watching these fascinating crabs to better understand our amazing oceans.

Source: NOAA Fisheries

Beginners Learn the Joy of Fly Fishing

A fun fly fishing workshop gave beginners a wonderful new skill. Expert angler Bill Carman led the special day at Wolf Creek Fish Hatchery.

First, everyone gathered in a classroom. Bill explained all the tools needed for fly fishing. He showed rods, reels, waders, and fly boxes. Each person went home with five free fishing flies!

Bill also taught a clever trick. He showed how to "read" a stream. That means looking at the water to guess where fish like to hide. Everyone also practiced tying knots to attach flies to their fishing lines.

Then the group went outside to practice casting. Casting means swinging the rod to send the fly out over the water. After a nice catered lunch, everyone walked to Hatchery Creek. Bill stood right in the water with them, giving helpful tips.

By the end of the day, the beginners felt like real anglers! They left smiling, with new skills and a love for fly fishing. A big thank you goes to Bill Carman and the Friends of Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery for making it all happen.

Source: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Activity Time - Word Search

Find the words below in the puzzle. Words go across or down only.

Words to Find:

DIGITAL SEAFOOD HYBRID WADERS

TRUST CREEK OCEAN

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