Animal Sounds Around The World

**THIS WEEK:  CHICKEN**

- Bengali: cokor-cok
- Dutch: tok tok
- Icelandic: gaggalagó
- Japanese: kokekokkoo
- Korean: kko-kko-daek-kko-kko-kko
- Turkish: gut-gut-gudak

Giant Pandas Get Their Own Biscuit Factory

China has built a biscuit factory to cater exclusively for the nutritional needs of its captive giant pandas. The factory is making bamboo-shaped biscuits which contain higher levels of fibre and vitamins than their normal diet, reports the China Daily Newspaper. Steamed bread, the staple food for most captive giant pandas after fresh bamboo, loses much of its nutritional value in cooking, resulting in malnutrition for many pandas. Experts at the Giant Panda Breeding and Research Centre in the city of Chengdu set up the factory in the hope that the biscuits would solve the problem. The biscuits are being given to 30 pandas at the centre, and are now apparently top dish on their menu. They are so popular that experts plan to expand the idea to animals in captivity across the country.

Man Has Worn Same Galoshes for 70 Years

An 89-year-old Romanian man claims he has worn the same pair of galoshes every winter for 70 years. Emil Ambrozie, from Focsani, says he bought them in 1935 from Bucharest before going to war. The shoes kept his feet warm even in a Siberian prisoners' camp, after he was captured after the Battle of Sevastopol in 1942. "My galoshes still live today because I only wear them when it’s snow and frost outside," the man said. He is now willing to donate his 70-year-old pair to a museum, reports the National newspaper.

Doctors Find Plant Growing in Boy’s Nose

Romanian doctors have found a plant growing in a four-year-old boy’s nose. The boy, from a mountain village in Vrancea county, had not complained about the germinating bean and was only in the surgery for a check-up. Doctor Nicolae Moise, from County Hospital in Focsani, told Evenimentul Zilei newspaper: “As the boy didn’t cry or tell his mother anything, it sprung to life and had little leaves when we found it.” The doctors said they had extracted many different things from children’s noses and ears but never a living plant before.

Golden Nuggets

**TIDBITS OF WISDOM FROM BRYAN’S FAVORITE SITCOM**

Blanche: (to Daisy, a Sunshine Cadet): I so admire your motto- “Spread it around.”

Dorothy: That’s sunshine, Blanche. Spread sunshine around!

Blanche: Dorothy, you can’t help it if you’re dull and boring. God did that to give the world some variety. Otherwise, everybody would be just like me!

Dorothy: And there wouldn’t be enough sailors to go around!

Blanche: Kinky!!!

Lawyer Sings ‘I Shot The Sheriff’

Outside Cop Death Trial

A lawyer is reported to have sung ‘I shot the sheriff’ outside the Montreal courtroom where his client was on trial for killing a policeman. The Montreal Police Brotherhood is threatening to lodge a complaint with the Quebec Bar Association about Christian Gauthier, defence lawyer for Stéphane Boucher. It’s alleged Gauthier was heard singing the Bob Marley song outside the court where Boucher was on trial for the murder of Montreal Police Constable Benoît L’Ecuyer. “A father was taken from his family in a brutal, bloody way,” said Georges Painchaud, president of the Montreal Police Brotherhood. “Does this loss deserve such a cynical, harsh and unethical remark? The bar’s code of ethics requires every lawyer to act with ‘objectivity, moderation and dignity,” he added. “Where was that dignity and moderation in that terrible performance of the Bob Marley song,” said Mr Painchaud. Mr Painchaud said he’d remain vigilant throughout the remainder of Boucher’s trial, reports the Montreal Gazette.

Is This A Town in Massachusetts or a Type of Cheese?

Winchendon

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- Leverett Emergency Cell: 429-3311
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- ECHO: 5-8200  UHS: 5-5711
- Room 13: 5-4969 Jenny: 867-5309

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Trapeze Artist Lands On Fat Man
A Chilean trapeze artist survived a dramatic plunge after he landed on a fat spectator who broke his fall. Mauricio Alberto Yovanovich, 27, was performing without a safety net and fell when he missed his partner’s outstretched arms. Yovanovich landed on Georgina del Carmen Ruffo, 51, who was sitting in the front row of the big top show. The spectator was a lot larger than the slightly built trapeze artist and broke his fall. Yovanovich was taken to hospital in San Vicente with injuries to his lower body. He was later discharged and sent home to rest. The unlucky spectator only received minor bruising. Newspaper La Cuarta reports that police are now investigating the Invincible Eagles circus. They want to know why the artists were performing without a safety net.

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Randy Ram Sends Wrong Signal to British Spy Chiefs
A strange signal picked up on a radio mast monitored by British spy staff turned out to be from a randy ram. He had been rubbing himself against the mast in Scarborough and the movement was picked up by a GCHQ base in Cheltenham at the same time every day. The story came to light through a spoof newspaper, the Daily Observer, which was produced as part of a recruitment campaign. The paper says: “An investigation was quickly launched, revealing that the signal was across all the high frequency bands. Stranger still, only Scarborough’s aerials could pick it up. Even stranger, it happened only in daytime. And to one antenna in particular. Exhaustive tests were launched, revealing the answer - a horny ram.” GCHQ spokesman, Bob McNally, said: “It was part of the ritual that a randy ram went through after it had made a conquest. I believe the ram was noting up a mark on the pylon, so to speak.” GCHQ monitors communications from around the world, from e-mails to mobile telephone calls, reports The Times.

99-Year-Old Man Married
A 99-year-old Englishman has married an 84-year-old woman in New Zealand. Jim Gorringe, 99, and Dinah Leach, 84, also from England, exchanged vows in front of more than 100 guests, sealing their union with a kiss in Christchurch. Jim and Dinah arrived early for breakfast, said St James rest home nursing manager Barbara Stanton. “I thought they might have wanted to lie in bed till lunchtime,” Ms Stanton said. “But they came to breakfast and have been out walking round the garden together.” The couple met at the home three years ago. They have no plans to move out now they are married, Ms Stanton said. Ms Leach said before the nuptials she was drawn to Mr Gorringe by his lively sense of humour. He has been married once before, while it is Ms Leach’s third wedding. Both bride and groom emigrated to New Zealand from England years ago. Mr Gorringe has taken New Zealand’s long-standing record for the oldest groom from a bachelor who married, aged 97, in 1936.

The town of Winchendon is an industrial and residential highland community on the upper Millers River. The town is in northern Worcester County on the border of New Hampshire. It was a six-mile grant allocated in 1735 to 60 veterans and descendants of veterans of the Colonial army’s expedition to Canada. The population of Winchendon is 8,805.

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