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New Starbucks CEO Vows To Make Chain All About Seattle Again

SEATTLE—Assuring that while more conventional methods worked during his tenure as CEO of Chipotle, Brian Niccol announced Friday that his plan to improve Starbucks rests on making the chain all about Seattle again. “We’re making coffee about what’s important again...that soggy Washington city we all love”, said Niccol, wearing a “My mom went to the space needle and all I got was this lousy t-shirt” shirt with a flannel over it. “I think the nation misses when seeing that green mermaid meant you were about to drink some coffee that made you think about the Seahawks and how much you miss Kurt Cobain.” Niccol also confirmed that the rumored menu truncation will roll out in the next few months. According to Niccol, the menu will now only feature black coffee and biscotti because it is, “way more punk rock”. At press time, Niccol added that he now plans to change the company’s logo to show the iconic mermaid holding an umbrella and bass guitar.

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Archeologists Warn Ancient Mayan Calendar Predicts Diet Starts Tomorrow

YUCATÁN, MEXICO—Archeologists studying in Yucatán, Mexico excavated a previously undiscovered Mayan calendar Tuesday, which reportedly predicted that your diet starts tomorrow.

While analyzing this calendar dated circa 3100 BCE, the team of archeologists and historians theorized about the ramifications this prediction could have on tomorrow. It could have ramifications for hungry people all over the world planning their meals for the foreseeable future. Additionally, the pandemonium caused by the semi-recent 2012 Mayan end-of-world predictions could be an insight as to the shock waves this discovery could send around the world.

Dr. Alvarez, the archaeological lead on this particular dig, detailed more about the team's findings. "This is definitely going to cause some issues for my team. We just got groceries yesterday and were not expecting that we would have to eat healthy now," Dr. Alvarez told reporters as she skittishly threw away any less-than-healthy foods from the dig site's makeshift kitchen area. "Now, we are obligated to throw away all the Mexican candy and other treats we purchased for the week. The Mayan gods can be vengeful and if humankind doesn't start getting their five-a-day starting tomorrow...there will be some serious consequences."

According to Dr. Alvarez, this discovery also lines up with some ancient Mayan myths of abundantly prosperous harvests in the years 2023 and 2024. The Mayans envisioned a time of readily available food sources and a warm summer. The Mayans lived in South America and because they experienced a tropical climate throughout the year, experts have concluded that they may have invented the concept of the summer body. However, a prosperous harvest and the urge for a summer body are in direct contrast to one another. This might lend more insight into why this prediction was created in the first place. The Mayans had a desire to be bikini-ready and sought to perpetuate that to future generations.

Historian on the team, Dr. Eileen, detailed more about the area surrounding the dig site where the calendar was uncovered. "The area seemed to be located in a female-centric zone of the ancient Mayan city. Other archeological evidence suggests that it could have been a place where mothers and daughters had a place to convene." Dr. Taylor, while fidgeting with her clothes and seeming generally uncomfortable with her appearance, continued. "It is fascinating to learn that mother-daughter relationships and the dynamics around unwanted body comments existed even in ancient civilizations. This calendar was a way for before-common-era mothers to begin a cycle of insecurity and body dysmorphia that has and will plague women until the end of time."

We received recommendations from the team in Yucatán that it would be in everyone's best interest to get all the cravings and bad eating habits out of their system today. Indulge in your fast food, sweet treats, alcohol, or whatever your vice is because diet starts tomorrow and the gods will absolutely hold you to it. According to the experts, a diet following keto or at least vegetarian standards is advisable to avoid being dragged down to Xibalba by Baalham, the Jaguar god of the underworld.

25 Satirical News Headlines

1. Report: Woodland Pimp Slaps Up 15% As Creatures Begin To Grow Out Winter Coats
2. OP ED: I've Had Enough With Comments About My Size, I Have Feelings Too (By the National Debt)
3. Forehead Dick Drawn With Sharpie Now Considered White Guy Cultural Tattoo
4. White House Demolition Begins In Preparation For Trump Tower DC
5. Polling Recount Shows "Free Gaza" Write-Ins Solved Palestinian Genocide
6. Data Reveals Responding "Kill Yourself" Funny In Any Situation Again
7. OP ED: Tips I Learned About Trolling For Free Drinks From An Actual Troll
8. Wow! Sexless Men's Acapella Group Sings Horniest Songs Ever
9. OP ED: Reincarnation Is Not As Transcendent If You're Born Poor Twice In A Row
10. American Automobile Association Releases Anti-Beer Goggles As Drunk Driving Aid
11. 10 Ways To Tell If You And Your Partner Said "I Love You" Too Soon
12. Area Man Shocked After Terrible Diet Results In Stomach Ache
13. Mardi Gras Attendees Fined For Public Decency
14. Vance Throws Fit After Cocomelon Paused
15. Study Finds "Dog Ate It" No Longer Most Popular Missing Homework Excuse
16. Grandparent's Attempt To Buy Love Much Less Upsetting For Child Than Parents
17. Apple TV Announces New Series Set To Release Overnight If Device Connected To Power
18. P: Getting Laid Off, Divorced, And Evicted Isn't So Bad // C: You Have Reached The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.
19. No Babe, I Swear I'm Not Talking About You In Therapy
20. If I Were A Dog I Would Hump Your Leg, But I'll Settle For Humping It As A Human
21. Chicago Voted Number One City In America To Let Yourself Go
22. Sean Combs Claims P Diddy Did All That Bad Stuff Not Him
23. COVID-19 Tired Of Being Equivocated With When It All Went Wrong For You
24. New Ron Desantis Approved Story Books Just Blank White Pages
25. Person From Viral TikTok Featured On Late Night Talk Show Leaves Nation Wondering If We Still Doing That