

# Music

From hip-hop to electronica, pop to rock, no one musical genre dominated the airwaves and headphones of America. The year saw new albums from Moby, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Eminem, Leann Rimes and many more. Kelly Clarkson's career as a chanteuse took off, Lance Bass was grounded as a cosmonaut, Ozzy showed why he's an iron man, and Triumph marked his territory at the VMAs.



## Forget East Coast vs. West Coast

It's rapper versus puppet as Triumph the Insult Comic Dog has a run-in with Eminem's posse on MTV's Video Music Awards.



## Britney not so caliente

The divine Miss Spears is booed in Mexico City after she bails her concert just four songs in.

## Still red hot

Flea and Anthony continue to assault eardrums and find creative uses for socks on the new Chili Peppers album, "By the Way."



## Don't tell Elvis...

Kelly Clarkson becomes the first "American Idol" and hits #1 on the Billboard singles chart.



## Bye bye bye!

Lance Bass trains to become the first member of a boy band in orbit. But when he fails to pony up the \$20 million fee, the Russians say "nyet!" and send him home.

## Something to Crow about

Sheryl Crow performs at the One World, One Child Benefit Concert in Beverly Hills.





# Science



## Zebra, king of the ocean?

Scientists discover that great white sharks are repelled by zebra striping.



The past year might be remembered as the one in which science fiction met science fact. Our good friends in the white lab coats discovered that dogs could count, fish could walk, and sharks really wanted nothing to do with zebras. Who knew? Humans made a few headlines as well, with balloonist Steve Fossett circling the globe at several thousand feet and the space station crew circling it just a bit higher.

## Around the world in 14 days

After some 21,000 miles and two weeks aloft, Steve Fossett becomes the first person to circumnavigate the globe in a balloon.

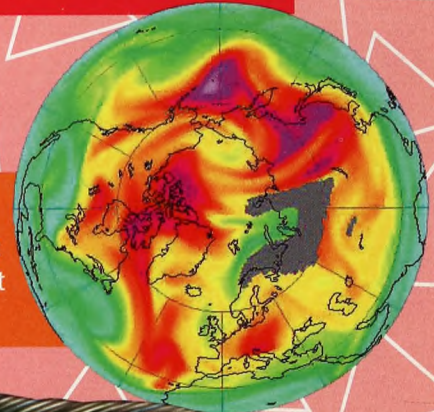


## A long way for pizza delivery

The International Space Station receives its fifth three-person crew, who live and work in orbit for four straight months.

## Well, that's disturbing

Meteorologists discover that the Antarctic ozone hole has divided into two parts that are spreading away from each other.



## The dog did my homework

Researchers at UC-Davis theorize that dogs have basic math skills, including the ability to count. No word on differential calculus.



## That's even more disturbing

The snakehead, a.k.a. the "Frankenfish", is discovered in eight U.S. states. The Chinese fish can walk on land and decimate native ecosystems.

## Walk like an Egyptian

Scientists employ a camera-toting robot to enter a previously inaccessible secret chamber of Egypt's Great Pyramid.

