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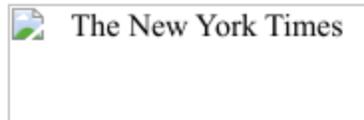
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“Neanderthals weren’t the slow-witted louts we’ve imagined them to be — not just a bunch of Neanderthals,” Jon Mooallem writes in this week’s [cover story](#). In fact, new research shows that they shared many behaviors that we long believed to be uniquely human: They buried their dead, made jewelry, even manufactured glue from birch bark. So where did our notions of human supremacy come from? Mooallem travels to Gorham’s Cave in Gibraltar to learn more.

Elsewhere in the magazine, Taffy Brodesser-Akner profiles [Andy Cohen](#), the man who turned “The Real Housewives” into an empire that looks more and more like American society. Patrick Symmes travels to the Philippines to investigate the [vigilante killings](#) that have gripped the country since President Rodrigo Duterte’s election last year. And Greg Howard writes about growing up wanting to be like Ben Carson and how it feels to be someone’s [“token.”](#)

Happy reading,

Jake Silverstein

Editor in Chief



Jaap Scheeren for The New York Times

FEATURE

Neanderthals Were People, Too

By JON MOOALLEM

New research shows they shared many behaviors that we long believed to be uniquely human. Why did science get them so wrong?

 Andy Cohen in his dressing room, with a Bravo show, “Ladies of London,” on the TV.

Gillian Laub for The New York Times

FEATURE

Living in Andy Cohen’s America

By TAFFY BRODESSER-AKNER

No one understands our new era of reality-TV populism better than the man who turned “The Real Housewives” into an empire.

 The wake for Manuel Evangelista, one of five people killed by masked men in a vigilante raid.

Moises Saman/Magnum, for The New York Times

FEATURE

President Duterte’s List

By PATRICK SYMMES

He has the names of more than a million supposed drug dealers and corrupt officials in the Philippines. In this violent new drug war, who is determining who dies?

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Motorcycling Without the Mansplaining

By LILY BROOKS-DALTON

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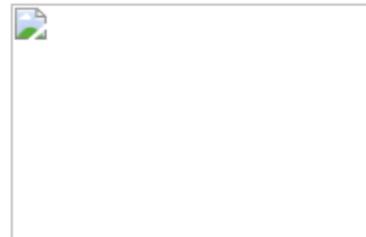


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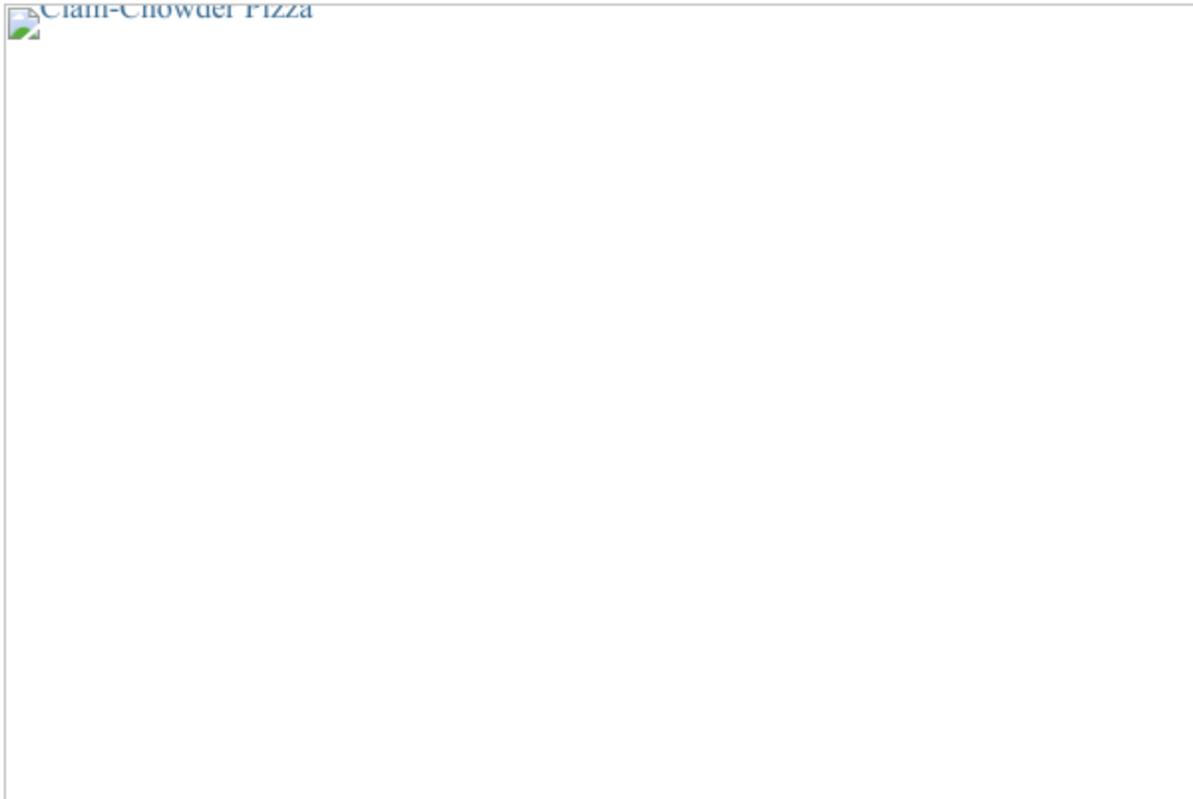
Should We Trash Cash?

By JOHN LANCHESTER

Economists lament the ways that physical currency enables tax avoidance and crime. But for most people, cash offers an increasingly rare form of freedom.



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Why Clam-Chowder Pizza Is the Best Kind

By SAM SIFTON

The only thing better than a classic is two.



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FIRST WORDS

I Know How It Feels to Be Someone’s ‘Token.’ I’m Sure Ben Carson Does, Too.

By GREG HOWARD

Cultivating real diversity can be hard. America’s institutions often turn to an easier tactic: faking it.



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NOTEBOOK

The Voter Fraud Case Jeff Sessions Lost and Can’t Escape

By EMILY BAZELON

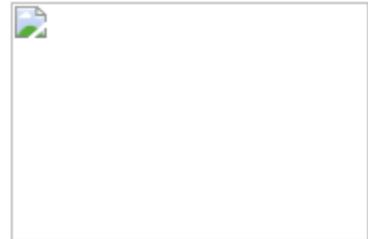
He prosecuted civil rights activists in 1985, but his case fell apart.

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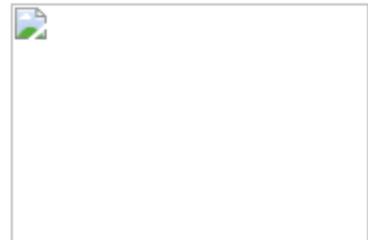


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Letter of Recommendation: Fair-Weather Fandom

By JEREMY GORDON

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