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# Everybody's Talking

**Perfect office pet:** Some stores may have pet cats, mechanic shops have pet dogs, and hairdressing salons have pet birds, but a pet alpaca is unusual. That is the case with a video production company in the city of Wuxi near Shanghai, China. A llama-alpaca mix named Tuo Baiwan regularly visits the office, providing a dose of relaxation to employees. Tuo Baiwan is the perfect mammal to do this, as he enjoys being petted and getting treats from the staff. He also loves for employees to take breaks and lead him out to the grassy grounds so he can roll around.

**Cool car:** To say that Nguyen Dac Chung is a Batman fan would be an understatement. In fact, the architecture student from Hanoi, Vietnam, is so enamoured with the character that he decided to build his own Batmobile. The replica has an engine and suspension system, and it can be driven around, with a maximum speed of 100 kilometres (62 mi.) per hour. The driver can take one passenger, but the car's creator says he wants to make some improvements to the interior. Just like the Batmobile in the movies, this version has doors that lift up to open. It took him 10 months to create the vehicle.

**Waterlogged:** Two adventurous boaters, thought to be lost at sea, were found safe and unharmed after several days in a wooden boat off the coast of South Australia. The boat belongs to Tony Higgins, who bought it to restore it. His passenger was Derek Robinson. The two men putted out from Coffin Bay, but ran into trouble when a propeller broke, slowing them down. They didn't realize they were considered (missing) and that a friend had called authorities when they didn't show up at their destination on time. A huge search ensued, but thankfully, all ended well.

**Ham for dinner:** Those who love a good ham dinner may not want to spend as much on a meal as a ham lover from Japan did. The piece of ham came from Spain's Huelva region. The buyer, who paid 12,000 Pounds, demanded that the meat come from an Iberian pig that was over two years old. The pig had to spend 100 days grazing in the mountains, and it had to put on at least 100 kilos (220 pounds) from eating nothing but acorns and herbs. Then the meat had to be cured for five years, which is twice the usual time. Here's hoping the cut tasted good!

# Quoteable Quotes

Hear everything and judge for yourself." George Eliot "Sweet are the thoughts that savour of content; The quiet mind is richer than a crown." Robert Greene

# What's Happening

**Oct 1-Sight Night** fun run after dark, in support of visually impaired Albertans! The event raises funds and awareness for the Alberta Sports and Recreation Association for the





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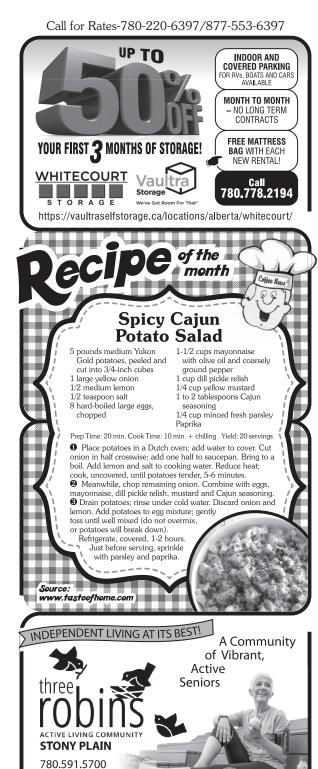
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## Trivia

1. The Matterhorn is part of which mountain range?2. What atmospheric layer blocks many ultraviolet rays?3. Which comet made its closest approach to Earth on July 22, 2020?4. Who was the creator of the popular sitcom All in the Family?5. St. Joan of Arc was a national heroine of what country?

#### (Flip bottom of page for answers)

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**SCORPIO** 

**SAGITTARIUS** 

24, 25, 32, 48.

**AQUARIUS** 

**PISCES** 

(Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

**CAPRICORN** 

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est in detective investi-

gations or legal matters

You may have to be quiet and to look more objec-

tively at your relation-

ships. It might be a fruit-

ful time for you to learn

more about love and

Any partnership that

might start now could likely prove to be a lasting one. Don't allow

your power and control

to become a major issue

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might come to the fore. Lucky Numbers: 2, 13, 19, 30, 39, 47.

about what you truly value. Lucky Numbers: 7, 14, 15, 21, 28, 29.

in the relationship. Lucky Numbers: 25, 27, 30, 34, 39, 45.

(Feb. 20 - March 20)

#### ARIES

(March 21 - April 20) You may be very optimistic and possibly a little\_too\_extravagant now. Be cautious because things may not always be

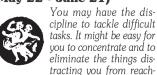
as they seem. Beware of any get-rich-quick schemes. Lucky Numbers: 10, 11, 33, 34, 45, 46. **TAURUS** 

#### (April 21 - May 21)

You may be inspired creatively, artistically, and spiritually. You might find yourself wanting to create or listen to music. rather than concentrate

on practical matters. Lucky Numbers: 22, 23, 44, 46, 48, 49. **GEMINI** 

#### (May 22 - June 21)



tracting you from reach-ing your goals. Lucky Numbers: 5, 10, 15, 25, 35, 45. eliminate the things dis-

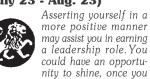
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#### (June 22 - July 22)

Speaking about very personal, private matters may come easier to you now. You might also find it useful to record some of your memories by

writing a journal. Lucky Numbers: 3, 15, 16, 18, 33, 38. LEO

#### (July 23 - Aug. 23)



future path. Lucky Numbers: 7, 9, 12, 22, 31, 41. VIRGO

#### (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)

You may have an extra measure of confidence and could make a strong first impression. Interviews or public relations of some nature might be

highlighted. Lucky Numbers: 2, 9, 13, 15, 17, 44.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favour Scorpio winners with the luckiest number being 6.

## Did You Know...

Tart drink: A beverage enjoyed by people in Colombia is lulada. It is made with lime juice, water, sugar, and ice, along with its namesake, mashed lulo (also known as naranjilla), a sweet and tart fruit loved by Colombians.

Good stuff: Earwax, or "cerumen," may not be the most glamorous of topics, but the substance is healthy for a person's ears. Along with lubricating the skin in the ear canal, it protects the middle and inner ear from dust and dirt.

Volcano action: Known as the Land of Ice and Fire, Iceland has between 20 and 30 active volcanoes, with Grímsvötn being among the most active. It is located in Iceland's Vatnajökull National Park.

Loud and odd: A bird called the horned screamer lives in the northern half of South America. These birds are known for their odd, loud call, as well as for the horn of cartilage that grows out of their foreheads.



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First hit: American musicians Simon and Garfunkel (Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel) were high school friends in the 1950s. Before they became famous, they performed as a duo named Tom and Jerry. Their song, "Hey Schoolgirl," became a hit.

# On the Lighter Side

Hospitality: Making your guests feel at home, even when you wish they were.

Why didn't the physics teacher marry the biology teacher? Their chemistry just wasn't right.

The things that come to those who wait may be the things left by those who got there first.

What did the lovestruck cat say to the "man" of her dreams? "O Romeow, Romeow, wherefore art thou Romeow?"

They told me that I had type A blood, but it was a type-O.

## Answers

4. Norman Lear 5. France Trivia answers: I. The Alps 2. Ozone 3. Neowise

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