





# Everybody's Talking

Crazy roadway: A traffic structure called the Huangjuewan Overpass in Chongqing, in the southwestern part of China, is said to be one of the most complicated in the world. An aerial view reveals an octopus-like construction, with tentacles going off in eight different directions. The overpass has five levels of roadway, 20 ramps, and many lanes to connect three major thoroughfares. After over a decade of planning and construction, it finally opened to traffic in 2017. The designers claim it looks more complex than it is because there is good signage to keep traffic flowing. Apparently, drivers can even use satellite navigation to find their way through the structure.

Lights out: An electrician from Ganeshpur, a village in Bihar's Purnia district of India, used his electrical know-how for his own advantage. To keep his relationship with his girlfriend a secret, he would cut off the power to the village just after dark so the two of them could meet in the schoolyard. Power outages happened regularly in the area, but no causes were apparent for this regular occurrence. So the villagers decided to investigate for themselves. When they discovered the young man's antics, they gave him a piece of their minds. However, they didn't report him to the police. Now the man and his girlfriend are married and they can be together, lights or no lights.

**Square trees:** Most people would think of tree trunks as being cylindrical, whether they are oak, ash, aspen, cypress, or any other species. Tourists in El Valle de Anton, Panama, however. may be surprised to discover that, in one area of the country, a certain kind of cottonwood tree grows with square trunks, and even the rings inside the trunk are square. Called the Valley of Square Trees, the area is located near a large dormant volcano called El Valle. Some of these trees' trunks are perfectly square, with right angles, and others have square shapes not quite as obvious. As the trees mature, they seem to become less square and more like the typical, rounded shape.

Hot ice cream: Habanero, that hot pepper found in spicy main dishes, is featured in a special dessert in Hirata Village, Fukushima, Japan. Local farmers wanted a way to use the pepper crop that is a bit too spicy for local tastes. So they tried dusting dried habanero powder on soft ice cream, and challenged tourists to give it a try. The ice cream can be ordered as "very hot," "not as hot," and everything in between. If a customer can finish an ice cream cone, they get it for free. But in the event they get more heat than they bargained for, customers are first required to sign a waiver that absolves the proprietor of responsibility.

## **Quoteable Quotes**

"The more we run from a problem, the more we're actually running into it." ~ Pico Iver

"The key is not to prioritize what's on your schedule, but to schedule your priorities." ~ Stephen Covey

What's Happening

Non profit organizations and charities - promote your upcoming event here free of charge! Complete our event submission page at www.centralalbertacoffeenews.com. Please allow three to four weeks' notice.

Music in the Park is underway for another season! Enjoy a diverse roster of musical acts every Wednesday at the Echo Stage of the Lacombe Memorial Centre at 6:30 p.m. The featured act





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July 5 will be Flashback Freddy. Visit lacombepac.com.

Come out and take part in the City of Lacombe's Creation Station during Lacombe Days. On Saturday, July 15, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., get out with your family to the Lacombe County Room and Lest We Forget Park to create some art.



## Irivia

1. Larry Page and Sergey Brin started IBM, Google, or Pixar? 2. Manatees have whiskers all over their bodies - T/F?

3. Did lakes or hot springs attract Roman settlement in Bath, England?

4. Who wrote Inspector Morse books - Agatha Christie or Colin Dexter?

5. Is watermelon a cucurbit, allium, or brassica?

(Flip bottom of page for answers)

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# Your Weekly Horoscope

LIBRA

**SCORPIO** 

(Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)

3, 4, 6, 11, 30, 36.

(Nov. 22 - Dec. 20)

Now may be a good time to

of service to others. Lucky

incorporate this into some form

numbers: 6, 18, 21, 32, 36, 42.

If it hasn't been particularly success-

ful, you might want to explore any

numbers: 11, 15, 33, 41, 45, 46.

be heightened now, so be on the

look out. Carefully consider what

to do with it. Lucky numbers: 10,

Consider adjusting how you inter-

act with your environment, and

Lucky numbers: 2, 7, 12, 19, 36, 41.

necessary adjustments. Lucky

**SAGITTARIUS** 

**CAPRICORN** 

**AQUARIUS** 

(Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

27, 29, 43, 46, 48.

(Feb. 19 - March 19)

PISCES

(Dec. 21 - Jan. 19)

(Sept. 23 – Oct. 22)

discussion about the issue. Be

careful not to be "passive aggressive"

during the conversation. Lucky

numbers: 8, 14, 15, 24, 38, 44.

them but you need to scope out

whether others are amenable to

the information. Lucky numbers:

Libras have a tendency

to avoid conflict. Now

may be a time to con-

sider having an open

You may find a strong

who are suffering.

Having a personal

philosophy and belief

system is an important

theme for Sagittarius.

You may be focused

early this week on

completing a project from the last six months.

Aquarius has an ability

to pick up information from the ethereal

realm. That skill may

Your intuition may work over time mid-

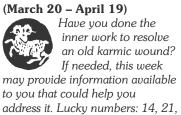
week and you could

become overwhelmed.

empathy now for those

Your insights can help

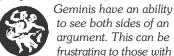
ARIES



27, 29, 40, 47. **TAURUS** (April 20 - May 20) The steadfastness of Taurus is an admirable

quality, but sometimes change can be productive. You may receive unexpected information now that could help you see where change is needed. Lucky numbers: 5, 14, 18, 28, 34, 39. GEMINI

### (May 21 - June 20)



argument. This can be frustrating to those with a fixed viewpoint. You may have an opportunity now to connect

positively with them. Lucky numbers: 1, 5, 14, 37, 40, 45. CANCER

### (June 21 – July 21)

This season of Cancer energy can set the tone for you in the next year.

your romantic partnership and might provide an opportunity to resolve problems. Lucky numbers: 9, 11, 16, 23, 27, 29. LEO

#### (July 22 - Aug. 22)

Keep your eyes open now for new information. It may point

a potential that you are passionate about manifesting in some area of your life. Lucky numbers: 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 48. VIRGO

#### (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22)

Virgos are often most sense of reality is

numbers: 4, 11, 22, 23, 28, 31.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favour Leo winners, with the luckiest number being 7.

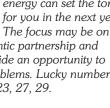
Leading the music: Orchestra conductors started using a conductor's baton in the 1820s. German composer and conductor Louis Sphor was among the first. Before that, conductors often used a violin bow or rolled-up paper.

Colourful countryside: Near Reno, Nevada, the Incandescent Rocks Scenic Area, called an "Area of Critical Environmental Concern," is quite a sight. Coloured by volcanic rock, the cliffs and buttes range from light pink to dark red.

**Back vard breed:** People who raise chickens in their back yards need to consider breeds that do well in small environments. Examples include the gentle Buff Orpington and the curious and friendly Salmon Faverolle.







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comfortable when their grounded and practical. At midweek, you may find this dynamic disrupted. The situation

could improve in a few days. Lucky steer clear of the anger of others.

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A good year: The prolific, Canadian-born comedic actor Jim Carrey has made numerous movies. Three of his best-known ones were released in 1994: The Mask, Dumb and Dumber, and Ace Ventura: Pet Detective.

**Salty place:** The state of Texas is home to several natural salt lakes. La Sal Del Rey is in Hidalgo County, north of the Rio Grande. Over the centuries, this lake has been an important source of the mineral.

## On the Lighter Side

Sign outside a muffler shop: "No appointment necessary. We hear you coming."

Knock! Knock! Who's there? Wicked. Wicked who? Wicked get dogs instead of cats.

Electricians are the friendliest people on the planet. They know how to make good connections.

Doctor: "I'm afraid you'll have to stop tap dancing." Patient: "Why?"

Doctor: "Because I am trying to examine you."

When did the king ask for the royal joker? Jest in time.



4. Colin Dexter 5. Cucurbit Trivia answers: 1. Google 2. True 3. Hot springs

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