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Everybody's Talking

House of gold: Someone who wants to see a real house of gold will have to go to Vietnam. There, in the city of Can Tho, is a three-story home that is gilded in gold, inside and out. It was built by a real estate entrepreneur named Nguyen Van Trung, who opened his home to tourists after seeing the public's interest in the place. To be sure, not everything in the house is real gold: many items are merely painted in that lustrous colour. However, the effect is mesmerizing because everything, including chairs, kitchen cabinets, ceiling fixtures, decorative items, and rugs are all touched with gold.

No fun: French employees who just want to get their work done, forgoing the usual "fun" stuff like going out for lunch or dinner with colleagues, can rest assured that they are allowed to do just that. As a matter of fact, they can be as boring as they'd like at work. That was made clear when a man, who was fired for not being "fun," took his employer to court and won. Known as "Mr. T" for privacy reasons, the man simply did not want to go out with his fellow staff members, and the courts agreed that he should not be obliged to do so. No more legislating "fun" in a company's policy manual!

Hidden homes: When visiting the islands of Greece, tourists usually find sun-drenched villages by the sea. That quality can be found today on Ikaria, but it wasn't always so on this far-flung isle in the Aegean Sea, about 213 kilometres (133 mi.) east of Athens. Over the centuries, Ikaria was vulnerable to pirate raids, but the island's people came up with an ingenious defence. They built squat rock homes up in the mountains. The homes were barely visible to someone walking by them, let alone by pirates in the sea. The trick worked because Ikaria looked uninhabited and not worth the trouble for pirate ships to visit.

Herd mentality: A sheep farmer in Inner Mongolia in northern China witnessed some strange behaviour from some of his animals. Identified as Miao, the farmer found the group of sheep continually walking in circles in their pen, with a few standing in the middle. But only the sheep in pen number 13 were walking in circles, which was odd because there were 33 other pens on the farm. Experts ruled out disease as the cause, and figured that the sheep were bored. When a few of them started walking in circles, others followed because of their pack animal mentality. All the sheep seemed to be in good health, but the behaviour is not very common.

Quoteable Quotes

"To the world you may just be one person, but to one person you may be the world." ~ Theodore Geisel (Dr. Seuss)

"Great necessities call out great virtues." ~ Abigail Adams

What's Happening

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

• The Central Alberta Chamber Orchestra presents its holiday concert, **A Charlie Brown Christmas**, December 15 at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd (40 Holmes St., Red Deer) starting at 7 p.m. The concert will feature the music and story from the 1965 TV special, as well as music from other holiday favourites. Tickets available at Eventbrite.ca or at the door. For more information, contact James at 403.598.3843.

• **Twinkle Tour & Late Night Shopping** – Many Downtown businesses will remain open late December 15 to encourage the support of local businesses. From 4 to 7 p.m., downtown visitors are invited to grab a free hot chocolate and a copy of the holiday scavenger hunt on the Ross Street Patio. Visit <https://downtownreddeer.com/north-pole-stroll/> for full details.

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Trivia

1. Who wrote the 1954 novel *Lucky Jim*?
2. How many species of ants have been identified in the world?
3. A volcanic mudflow is a lahar, avalanche, or magma river?
4. A dish labeled "Florentine" usually is prepared with spinach, potatoes, or apples?
5. What is a baby rhinoceros called?

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