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Everybody's Talking!

Painted revival: In Stornara, a small town in southern Italy, faded walls have become canvases for renewal. Once nearly deserted, the community invited artists from around the world to fill its streets with vivid murals, turning empty storefronts and crumbling homes into works of art. What began as a local project led by artist Lino Lombardi has grown into an annual festival that now draws thousands of visitors each year. The colorful transformation has boosted tourism, opened new businesses, and even encouraged families to move back. Each mural reflects the town's history and spirit in vivid detail. Today, Stornara is recognized as a model for how art can revive small communities.

Sweet support: Locals in southern Florida (U.S.) rallied behind ice cream vendor Don Tomas after a short video captured him pushing his cart for miles under the hot sun. Without a truck or trailer, he's spent years walking neighborhood to neighborhood, earning smiles and loyal customers along the way. When a passerby recorded his determination and shared it online, the clip quickly gained traction and inspired a fundraising campaign. More than \$20,000 (USD) has been raised, helping Tomas secure better transportation and equipment for his rounds. Known for his upbeat attitude and tireless work ethic, he's now locally recognized as an inspiring example of everyday perseverance.

Ancient voyage: A team of researchers from Japan and Taiwan recreated a prehistoric sea journey to understand how early people may have traveled between islands thousands of years ago. Using replicas of 30,000-year-old tools, they hollowed out a single cedar trunk to craft a canoe and paddled it from Taiwan to Yonaguni Island, Japan. The group relied on the sun, stars, and ocean swells for direction while navigating powerful currents in the East China Sea. The 140-mile (225 km) trip took nearly two days of continuous paddling. Their success suggests ancient travelers could have completed similar crossings, using skill and determination to explore new regions long before modern navigation existed.

Canine hero: In Siyathi village, India, a young dog named Rocky became an unexpected hero when torrential rain triggered a sudden nighttime landslide. Sensing danger, he barked loudly until his owner woke up to find cracks forming in the wall and water seeping inside. The man quickly gathered his family and rushed out to alert others in the village. His urgent warnings allowed neighbors to escape before the slide destroyed multiple homes. Locals credit the dog's sharp instincts and his owner's quick response for preventing tragedy. Rocky was briefly trapped during the chaos, but later was safely rescued, earning lasting gratitude from the community he helped save.

Quoteable Quotes

"All truths are easy to understand once they are discovered; the point is to discover them." —Galileo Galilei
"Follow that will and that way which experience confirms to be your own." —Carl Jung

What's Happening

Kamloops Fiddlers Dance 2-May-26. Location: 100 Lorne Street - Heritage House 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM Cost: \$6.00 for members and \$10.00 for non-members. Bring the whole Family. Have your tickets at the Door by registering at <http://bcfiddlers.com/branches/kamloops/> or pay Cash at the door Or Contact us at kamloopsoldtimefiddlers@gmail.com or call 250-376-2330

Transition Kamloops and Kamloops Seniors for Climate Action will host an interactive evening on April 29 to discuss climate change. The evening will explore what's happening with the climate in Kamloops, how to talk about it and why it matters. Guest speakers Dr. Darryl Carlyle-Moses, TRU Professor & Crystal Huscroft, TRU Teaching Professor and Department Chair, Department of Environment, Culture & Society will give a presentation, which will be followed by breakout sessions with audience members. The event runs from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Kamloops United Church, 421 St. Paul St. Everyone is welcome to participate in this evening of learning, conversations and action. This evening is one of several events being organized in Kamloops during Earth Month by Transition Kamloops and others: April 25th - Wild Wor(l)ds: Poetry Afternoon & launch of Nature-Friendly Yards project May 2nd - 50th Annual Rally for Peace, Social Justice and the Environment

Amazing Singing Pop/Rock Accapella Choir's Spring Concert is Friday May 22 at 7 pm at St Andrew's Presbyterian Church on 6th Avenue. Tickets at amazingsinging.ca

The Dogwood Dustup at the old Cache Creek airport May 22 - 24. Old time drag racing, flag start, period correct flathead engines and cars. dogwooddustup.ca for more info.

Trivia

1. The novel *Phantom of the Opera* was written by Jules Verne—T/F?
2. What is the longest river in the Czech Republic that flows to the north sea?
3. Which two chess pieces can't move diagonally?
4. Are cats the only animal that purr?
5. This famous chef wrote the cookbook *Mastering the Art of French Cooking*.

(Flip bottom of page for answers)

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Your Weekly Horoscopes


ARIES (March 20 - April 19)

 Aries often juggle many projects, starting them quickly but not always completing them all. But an opportunity for endurance may be available to you at midweek. Lucky numbers: 1, 18, 21, 24, 32, 48.


TAURUS (April 20 - May 20)

 You may seek to wrap something up at the end of the week. If needed, try to gently communicate this intention to others whose involvement you might need to succeed. Lucky numbers: 5, 14, 20, 22, 30, 45.


GEMINI (May 21 - June 20)

 You might want to spend time talking to others about what you want to achieve. An unexpected person or opportunity may be able to aid you with your endeavor. Lucky numbers: 4, 8, 13, 14, 33, 34.


CANCER (June 21 - July 22)

 If you are in an awkward situation with someone, communicating midweek may be easier. This might open an opportunity for you to succeed where you didn't before. Lucky numbers: 7, 14, 20, 27, 34, 40.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)

 Leos often like to keep things sunny, rather than looking at shadows. At midweek, this dynamic may create a conflict to face to successfully complete your endeavors. Lucky numbers: 6, 17, 18, 30, 31, 42.


VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)

 Virgos often are not good at showing off their ability to navigate and complete tasks. The end of this week may be a good time to highlight your talents to others. Lucky numbers: 2, 10, 28, 32, 33, 46.


LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)

 Your Libra tact and diplomacy may be heightened early this week. If a situation needs resolution, now might be time for you to step up and negotiate between the parties. Lucky numbers: 3, 10, 11, 14, 18, 35.


SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)

 If you run into difficulty finishing a project at week's end, think through recent conversations about it. A different approach to communication may ease the stalemate. Lucky numbers: 10, 17, 28, 36, 40, 45.


SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

 Your mind and emotions may be in sync for a few days at the end of the week. This might give a boost to achieving one of your goals, so try not to let it pass by. Lucky numbers: 9, 14, 21, 23, 28, 32.


CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

 Are you having difficulty now completing a goal? This is unusual for ambitious Capricorns. It may help to do a deep dive into your psyche to find the cause. Lucky numbers: 10, 13, 28, 35, 41, 45.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

 You may be presented with lots of options to achieve your goals. If you become overwhelmed trying to choose, look for the one that aligns with your values. Lucky numbers: 17, 19, 24, 26, 33, 43.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20)

 Intuitive Pisces can see information, but may have trouble communicating it to others. End-of-the-week energy could help evolve a more grounded presentation style. Lucky numbers: 8, 14, 16, 24, 37, 44.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favor Sagittarius winners with the luckiest number being 14.

Did You Know...

Shadow superstition: Groundhog Day began as a belief among settlers in Pennsylvania (U.S.) that the animal's shadow could reveal the length of winter. A visible shadow meant more cold weeks ahead, while no shadow was taken as a sign of early spring.

Cookie craze: Girl Scout Cookies began as a part of simple bake sales and grew to a nationwide tradition. What started in one small community later expanded into a seasonal fundraiser, with new flavors, packaging, and online orders keeping the tradition alive.

Bet book: Dr. Seuss, the famous children's author, once accepted a challenge to write a story using only 50 words. The result was *Green Eggs and Ham*, and from a playful bet came one of his most celebrated books.

Heart finger: In many Western traditions, a ring on the left ring finger signals marriage, rooted in the old belief that a vein ran from this finger to the heart. Over time, it came to symbolize love, stability, and lasting devotion.

Shakespearean chickens: The idea of calling cowards "chickens" can be traced to William Shakespeare, who used the image of frightened soldiers scattering like birds. From there, the term stuck and grew into phrases like "chicken-hearted."

On the Lighter Side

Why was the mushroom the hit of the party? Because he is a fungi.

People who buy books on lawncare become good weeders.

Ed's parents have another son named Ed. Two Eds are better than one.

Diner: "Is there any stew on the menu?"
Waiter: "Yes, but I wiped it off."

Knock! Knock! *Who's there?* Meghan. *Meghan who?* All these knock, knock jokes are meghan me irritated!

Answers

Trivia answers: 1. False, Gaston Leroux 2. Elbe 3. Rook and knight 4. No 5. Julia Childs
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