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Owners hope antiques will revitalize Clarenceville



By Caroline Kehne
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
CLARENCEVILLE

The municipality of Saint-Georges-de-Clarenceville is an amalgamation of far-flung clusters of homes located east of the Richelieu River and west of Lake Champlain's Missisquoi Bay. This often forgotten pocket of the Eastern Townships, located on what was once known as Caldwell's Manor, was home to important Townships figures such as John Savage (later, the Shefford "leader" of the leader-and-associates system used to settle the original Townships) and the Rev. Micajah Townsend.

The village of Clarenceville is home to the oldest wooden Protestant church in Quebec (Saint George's Anglican

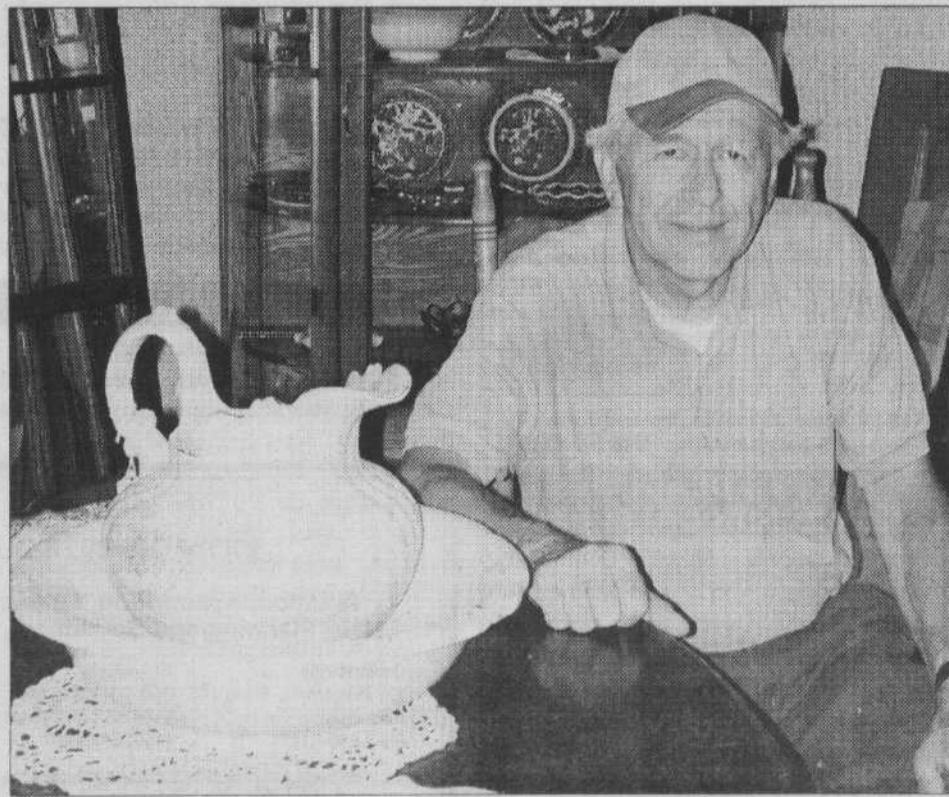
Church), and a drive down Front Street provides a quick tour of the major architectural styles of the 19th century, from Greek revival, Gothic and Queen Anne.

Now, heritage may be the key to revitalizing this sleepy town. The village is home to two new antique stores (and a third, on nearby South Beech Road) whose owners hope to take advantage of the modern mania for collecting in an area blessed with a rich historic past.

Bruno Marois, owner of Antiquités B-N, recently opened his shop at the heart of the village in the space previously occupied by a failed *depanneur*.

Located at the intersection of busy route 202 and Front Street (Clarenceville's "main street"), the store is jammed with new and old items for sale.

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CAROLINE KEHNE/CORRESPONDENT

Heritage may be the key to revitalizing the sleepy town of Clarenceville. The village is home to two new antique stores (and a third, on nearby South Beech Road) whose owners (Bruno Marois of Antiquités B-N, left, and Richard Wright, co-owner of Wright's Antiques, right) hope to take advantage of the modern mania for collecting in an area blessed with a rich historic past.

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Aug. 3

Brome County Agricultural Society Annual Fundraising **BARBECUE**, 5 to 8 p.m. at the Fairgrounds. Dancing afterwards. Adults, \$12, children (under 12), \$6. Tickets & Info: 450-242-3976.

Aug. 4

ANTIQUÉ/COLLECTIBLE & CRAFT SALE on Curley St., **Sutton**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Profits to Sutton Valley Council. Free admission. Rain or shine. Info: Marcelle 450-266-4748.

United Church New Visions Pastoral Zone **OUTDOOR SERVICE AND PICNIC** at the home of Nancy and Michel Grenier, 267 Branderick Rd. near **Saxby Corner** at 11 a.m. In case of bad weather, service will be held in an empty barn. Donation of finger food appreciated. Activities for all ages followed by hot dog lunch. Bring lawn chairs if possible. (beverages & hot dogs provided) Info: Nancy, 776-1903.

Aug. 6 to 9

SUMMER DAY CAMP with Joel Heimbecker and family at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 24 St. Paul Rd., **Knowlton** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday to Friday. For all children ages five to 12 years old. Bring your lunch. Info: 450-242-2885/243-0538.

Aug. 17

FLEA MARKET sponsored by Municipality of Noyan at MacCallum Park,

Noyan. Many activities scheduled including games for kids, volleyball, corn on the cob. Food stalls available. One-day site booking, \$20. Register with Paulin Leduc at 450-294-3281, or contact Noyan Municipal Office, 294-2689.

Aug. 24 & 25

ADVANCE NOTICE: Royal Canadian Legion **FLEA MARKET** at 120 Davignon Blvd., **Cowansville**. We are looking for articles to sell at this event. If you have items you would like to get rid of, we will gladly take them on or before Aug. 17. Contact the RCL at 450-263-3543; Denise Bedard, 263-0561; or Autry

ARTS CALENDAR

Tracey, 266-6120.

Aug. 11

KNOWLTON HARMONY BAND Third Park Concert, 2002 at Edwards Park, West Brome. Admission is free. Alternative White Anglican Church if raining. Info: Wade Johnston, 450-243-5432, or Lois Hardacker, 450-242-2000.

Through to Aug. 24

Theatre Lac Brome 2002: A Summer Festival of English-Language Theatre in **Knowlton**. This week: Wednesday, Evelyn Strange; Thursday, Old King Cole; Friday/Tuesday, Village Wooing; Saturday, Hank Williams: The Show He Never Gave. Performances Tuesday to Saturday 8 p.m. Thursday matinées at 2 p.m. Tickets: \$5 to \$22 at 9 Mont Echo Rd. Info: 450-242-2270, www.cclacbrome.qc.ca or www.cclacbrome.qc.ca/tlb.

Aug. 31

Brome Fair YOUTH TALENT COMPETITION at the **Brome** Fair Grounds at 2 p.m. Ages 19 and under welcome to participate. Registration before August 10th. \$10 fee refundable after perfor-

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Theatre Lac Brome's production of *Village Wooing* continues every Tuesday and Friday until Aug. 24 at 9 Mont Echo Rd., Knowlton. For more info, see 'Arts Calendar'

bers & Rev. Burn Purdon. Creek United, Foster, 9:30 a.m. Knowlton United, Knowlton, 11 a.m.

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COWANSVILLE AREA PASTORAL CHARGE UNITED CHURCH: Worship and Sunday school at Emmanuel United Church, 203 rue Principale, at 9:30 a.m. Mary MacPherson officiating.

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SUTTON-DUNHAM UNITED: Everyone is cordially invited to attend services at 10:30 a.m. in Sutton on the first and second Sundays, and in Dunham on the third and fourth Sundays of each month.

BEDFORD UNITED CHURCH PASTORAL CHARGE:

Joint Summer Service, Aug. 4, 10 a.m. at the Wesley United Church, Bedford (Communion) with Rev. M. Cogswell.

BAPTIST CHURCHES: Sunday Services: Mansonville Baptist, 9:30 a.m.; Olivet Baptist, Sutton, 11 a.m.

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BMP car raffle fast approaching

By Caroline Kehne
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The Sept. 6 draw is fast approaching and the Brome-Missisquoi Perkins Hospital Foundation Car Raffle is on pace for another record year.

Purchase of a \$5 ticket gives its

owner the chance to drive off with the vehicle of his or her choice (value of \$25,000) from one of the following dealerships: Automobiles Rocheleau, Bessette Automobile, Cowansville Toyota, Deragon Auto Cité or Honda Auto Cité.

Tickets will be on sale at various

events, including the Fête des Marchands in Bedford (Aug. 2 to 4), the Bedford Fair (Aug. 8 to 11), the Mansonville Multicultural Festival (Aug. 10), the West Brome Storytelling Festival (Aug. 17 and 18) and the Brome Fair (Aug. 30 to Sept. 2).

Tickets are also available at numer-

ous stores and businesses throughout the area. The annual raffle is an important fundraiser for the hospital, raising approximately \$55,000 which is used for the purchase of much needed medical equipment.

For more information, contact Josh Bleser at 450-266-5548.

Bedford kicks August off with a blast Aug. 2



RECORD FILE PHOTO

Folkgrass was one of the featured bands at last year's La Fête des Marchands, which returns for the second consecutive year to Bedford from Friday Aug. 2 to Sunday, Aug. 4.

Record Correspondent

Bedford's main street will be the site of one big open-air block party for La Fête des Marchands, taking place Aug. 2 to 4.

For the second consecutive year, the festival, organized by the Comité du Regroupement des Gens d'affaires de Bedford, will bring music, activities and great sidewalk sales to visitors.

A section of Bedford's main street (rue Principale or route 202 between Avenue des Pins and Dupont Street) will be closed to vehicular traffic between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. during the three-day event.

Merchants will set up outdoor tables of fering sales and there will be free activities for people of all ages, including games, jugglers, mascots, buggy rides, face-painting for kids, music in the streets (at Restaurant l'Interlude and at Tabby's Microbrewery on Sunday), a performance of ballet jazz by l'Expression Corporelle et Rhythmée de Bedford (Sunday at 1 p.m.), dog obedience demonstrations and much more.

Come participate in a silent auction, a special event that helps to cover the cost of the event. For more information, call 450-248-0550.

Twilight Graveyard Tour returns Aug. 10



RECORD FILE PHOTO

This year, the Missisquoi Historical Society's annual Twilight Graveyard Tour will feature sites around Mount Pinnacle. Guides will provide colourful information at each location.

Record Correspondent

The Missisquoi Historical Society will host its second annual Twilight Graveyard Tour Saturday, August 10.

The event will include guided tours through some of the area's most historic graveyards, this year featuring graveyards of the area around Mount Pinnacle. Guides at each site will provide colourful information about each graveyard and its residents.

Participants will take home an infor-

mation brochure with additional information. The cost of the tour is \$20.


The tour will leave from the Missisquoi Museum at 6 p.m. and will be followed by light refreshments and snacks. For reservations or information, contact the museum at 450-248-3153.

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Rebuilt airbags declared illegal this week

Properly used, airbags are life savers

Although they've been off the market for awhile now, rebuilt airbags officially become illegal Thursday. The move may prevent unscrupulous entrepreneurs from getting into the business in the future, but there are still a lot of cars out there waiting to blow up in people's faces. If your car was built since 1998 and has had its airbag replaced, or if you bought that car used and don't know for sure if the airbag has been replaced, you may have a problem on your hands.

Across Canada some 7,500 cars were equipped with rebuilt airbags following either thefts (airbags are a popular theft item), or accidents. Because new, factory-made airbags are much more costly, the recycled bags built by Quebec's National Sacs Gonflables and Coussins Gonflables Demers were seen as a cheaper alternative. Insurance companies liked the price, so the practice was encouraged. About two-thirds of the cars that were fitted with the unsafe airbags are on Quebec roads.

What motorists got were units that were cobbled together in a workshop, using old airbags, gunpowder and whatever else was lying around. Witnesses testifying at court hearings told tales of things like workers using Liquid Paper to cover up blood spots on the bags.

Meanwhile, experts tested the rebuilt units and discovered they are capable of throwing shards of metal up to 15 metres. That makes them more dangerous

to crash victims than they're worth.

But despite full page government ads last year only a tiny fraction of the cars with the rebuilt bags were actually checked and replaced. It seems that drivers are either unaware that their car is one of the ones fitted with a rebuilt bag, or they would rather live with the increased safety risk than fork out as much as \$2,000 to have their bags changed. The rebuilding companies have since both gone bankrupt, and no one else seems to be willing to foot the bill, leaving owners on the hook for the problem.

LIFE SAVERS

Despite the rebuilt bag fiasco, airbags are credited with saving thousands of lives. They reduce serious head injuries by 75 per cent and chest injuries by 66 per cent. But they only work if used properly. Here are a few things you should know about airbags, so they'll help and not hinder.

- Airbags are designed to be used with seatbelts, and not as a replacement for seatbelts. If you're not using your seatbelt your body will be thrown into the zone where the bag inflates on impact. Then, instead of having your upper body landing on a soft pillow, it will be hit, and hit hard. It takes 1/20th of a second for a bag to inflate, and three-one-hundredths of a second later it's all over.

- Do not sit too close to the steering wheel. If you don't have at least 25 cm (10 inches) between your chest and the steering wheel, you're too close. Once

again, this puts your body in the explosion zone.

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A tragic example of this was Karen Steinhouse. She was four-foot-nine, and had her car seat pushed as far forward as possible. A minor accident triggered the bag, which hit her hard enough in

the chest to kill her.

In the stereotypes department, women tend to sit way too close to the steering wheel, posing not only an airbag threat, but also a steering control threat. Stretch out a bit, with everything in comfortable reach.

- If you are a smaller person and can't get far enough away from the steering wheel, you might want to consider getting the airbag deactivated. Airbags are designed for the average sized person, and what was supposed to hit a driver in the chest could end up hitting you in the head. Your mechanic should be able to help you get permission from Transport Canada and then deactivate the bag.

Pregnant women may want to con-

sider this as well, because they can't get far enough away from the steering wheel anymore.

- Children under 12 should always ride in the back. It's the safest place for anyone, and younger children usually aren't big enough to benefit from an airbag. Just like smaller adults, the bag may end up hitting them in the head rather than the chest. If you have to have a child riding in front, look into getting the airbag deactivated.

- Infants and toddlers should also never ride in the front. Their car seats don't mix with airbags, and a combination of the two can have tragic results. Rear-facing car seats, usually used with children under 20 pounds, are particularly bad.

So there you have it. If you have a factory-made airbag, follow these rules and your chances of surviving an accident will improve significantly. If you have one of the rebuilt models don't waste any more time — get it replaced. If the garage can't replace it right away they can at least deactivate it until a new unit can be found.

Montreal artist exhibits Townships art in Knowlton

Staff

The public is invited to a vernissage marking the opening of a solo exhibition by artist Stéphanie Bush Aug. 31, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Brome County Historical Society museum.

Bush, an award-winning Montreal-based artist, recently mounted a solo exhibition of landscape and still-life works at the Gemst Gallery in Montreal. The Knowlton show, which runs Aug. 31 to Sept. 2, will include landscapes, still-life and architectural studies painted in the Eastern Townships, primarily in the vicinity of Lac Brome.

"Brome County holds a special place in my heart," says Bush, who grew up in the area. "As a visual artist, I have always felt very close to nature and this region has been a source of

continuing inspiration for my art."

A multi-disciplinary artist, Bush is equally comfortable making paintings, drawings, quilts and sculpture. She has been exhibiting her work for the last 10 years at various institutions, and her work has been featured at such prestigious venues as Les Femmeuses and other solo and group exhibitions in and around Montreal.

Bush recently won the annual \$5,000 Youth Employment Services & Montreal Mayors Foundation for Youth award for a proposed series of sculptural works she plans to execute following her late summer exhibition.

The museum is located at 130 Lakeside in Knowlton. Hours are Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Monday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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Fessenden champions make waves

Technology enthusiasts celebrate one of its distinguished sons

By Caroline Kehne
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KNOWLTON

The Brome County Historical Society will once again salute one of the area's most distinguished sons, Reginald Aubrey Fessenden, regarded by many technologists as the man who invented radio, on Saturday, August 10.

The event will celebrate two significant milestones in the inventor's life: the centennial transmission of the first musical notes and the granting of 13 U.S. patents, including patent number 706,740, the all-important "heterodyne patent" that solved a fundamental problem in the transmission of voice and sound.

Organizer Orn Arnason, a Knowlton resident and radio enthusiast, has long championed the cause of Fessenden, whose work was largely overshadowed by more flamboyant peers such as Marconi and Westinghouse.

Fessenden profited little from radio and spent a small fortune defending his patents against the legion of profiteers bent on exploiting its commercial potential. In 1992, thanks to efforts by scientists, historians and radio amateurs

to set the record straight, Fessenden was one of 16 scientists inducted into the Canadian Science and Engineering Hall of Fame.

Arnason said that the Aug. 10 celebration was chosen to coincide with the centenary of the granting of the 13 patents on Aug. 12. The other milestone, the first transmission of the discernible musical notes, took place some time in 1902 near Buxton, North Carolina.

To celebrate these technological milestones, the Townshippers' Amateur Radio Club will have a tent outside the Brome County Historical Society where they will be operating on short wave frequencies from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (radio buffs can contact them at any of the following frequencies: 14.15 MHz or 14.175 MHz on the 20-meter band or 21.150 MHz or 21.250 MHz on the 15-meter band).

The featured speaker for the day will be Terry Skeats, a North Hatley resident who has been researching Fessenden for the past 15 years, and who has recently returned from a Fessenden fact-finding trip to the Smithsonian Institute.

The public is also invited to tour the BCHS' Fessenden exhibit, including an extensive collection of radios on display. For more information, call 450-243-6782.



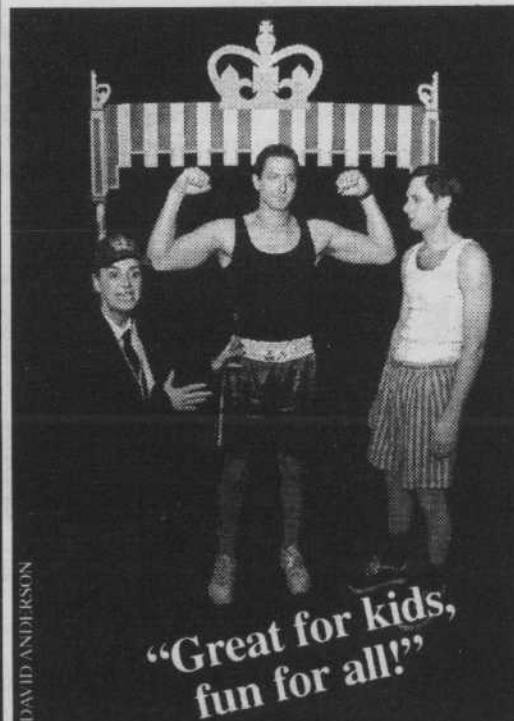
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Fessenden Day organizer Orn Arnason shows off a Westinghouse RADA, one of the earliest working radios with dials, part of the BCHS radio collection.



The Aug. 10 event will celebrate the centenary of the transmission of the first musical notes, which took place sometime in 1902 near Buxton, North Carolina.

Don't miss the match of the summer!



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Country prices are tame, but can still run high

ANTIQUES:

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Country prices are tame by Montreal standards, but prices can run high, from a carved wooden canopy bed imported from the Far East (\$1,500) or a fancy pressed glass punch bowl, stand and cups (\$375).

Where there is abundant inventory, there are also bargains, such as an ebonized Eastlake corner couch with original finish (\$170), books, rugs, glass, dishware and collectibles for the modest budget.

Marois, who has been operating the store six-days a week for the last four

months, describes himself as a former furniture repairer who struck out on his own after buying a house across the street. Now, he buys his stock throughout the area or, in the case of his Asian furniture, from an importer. Business has been slow, with a few local customers, but most coming from either the nearby U.S. or from Montreal.

A few hundred feet down South Front Street lies the home of retirees Richard and Mary Wright, veterans of over 20 years of antique collecting and now, owners of their own shop. Mary Wright said that she and her husband, both former Canadian National employees, bought their dream house on South Front Street in 1986 and spent two years restoring it before moving in (she specifies the word "restoring", as opposed to "renovation", which often means stripping a heritage house of its original architectural detail and character in favour of a modern "just-built" look).

Their home deserves respect: built some time prior to 1850 (the starting date of the Bedford Archives) it was once the home of Carrie Derrick, a pioneering feminist and McGill science professor who is credited with bringing the study of genetics to Canada. The Wrights transformed the adjacent building (the old Bell telephone exchange and before that, she believes, a granary) into a small shop that houses the couples' collection of antique and collectibles for sale.

The Wrights both buy and sell, their inventory reflecting both their own taste as collectors and also, the realities of the market. Items range from under \$20 for a piece of collectible glass to thousands of dollars for a glass-front cabinet or cupboard.



CAROLINE KEHNE/CORRESPONDENT

Collectibles at Antiquités B-N is jammed with new and old items for sale. Country prices are tame by Montreal standards, but prices can run high.

Will the public thirst for antiques provide the seeds of a much-needed economic renaissance for Clarenceville? Only time will tell. Until then, it will provide a source for a few more bargains for passionate collectors.

Antiquités B-N is located at 88 rue Principale (route 202) in Clarenceville village. The shop is open Monday and Tuesdays (10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) and Thursdays through Sundays (10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) or by appointment. For more information, call 450-294-3560.

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Can antique collecting make you smarter?

Maybe not, but you can learn a lot about Canadian history

By Caroline Kehne
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
CLARENCEVILLE

In a corner of Bruno Marois' antiques store sits a pile of dusty books, some of the lucky few that escape an inglorious end in a dumpster at the hands of indifferent owners.

One of the titles is a copy of the 1896 edition of the Star Almanac of Canada, billed as 'A Cyclopaedia of Facts and Figures Related to the Dominion', published by the Montreal Star and sold in its year of publication for 25 cents. The Almanac is stuffed with facts about the Dominion of Canada deemed useful for the holder, including salient features of the Canadian constitution and British North America Act, plates showing members of the Canadian Supreme Court, and a wealth of statistics, census and legal information, including provincial property rights and marriage law.

There is also a list of Canadians holding imperial titles, as well as a complete genealogy of the Queen (Victoria). In short, the Almanac provides a compact and detailed portrait of Canadian society in the late Victorian Era and a reminder that the "good ole' days" were not all that golden. The following is a sampling of some of the juicy factoids revealed by the Montreal Star publishers.

• In 1896, Three Canadians held the highest imperial titles: Charles Colmar Grant (7th Baron de Longueuil), George Stephen (1st Baron Mount-Stephen) and Susan Ages MacDonald (Baroness MacDonald of Earncliffe).

• In the Parliamentary session of 1895, "Forty-seven members voted for a resolution proposed by Mr. Davin in favor of woman suffrage. The 'nays' totaled 105". Also in the session: A bill proposed by Mr. Mulock, to prevent MPs travelling on free railway passes, was defeated by 100 to 46. Mr. Flint, on June 17, moved that the manufacture, sale and importation of liquor should be prohibited.

• Under the Canadian Customs Tariff, the duty on umbrellas, parasols and sunshade sticks is 20 per cent; on walking sticks of all kinds, 25 per cent, fishing rods, 30 per cent, and on coffins and caskets, 35 per cent.

• The statistics for calendar year 1894 show that Quebec City and Coaticook led Quebec cities and towns in terms of trade surpluses. Quebec City finished first (value of exports: \$5,204,849; value of imports: \$3,525,586), followed by a booming Coaticook (value of exports: \$1,292,792; value of imports: 161,848). The city of Montreal ran a trade deficit (value of imports: \$45,438,357; value of exports: \$51,030,999).

• The Almanac states that, under Québec law, "A man cannot marry before the age of fourteen, nor a woman before the age of twelve. And in all cases where the contracting parties are under the age of majority, they must have the consent of their parents; but in case of disagreement, the father and mother of each of the contracting parties, the consent of the father of either is sufficient."

• In the Official Statement of Chartered Banks for the year ending September 30, 1895, the Bank of Montreal lists assets of \$60,477,965 versus liabilities of 40,761,450. The Eastern Townships Bank of Sherbrooke lists assets of \$6,390,904 versus liabilities of \$4,100,580.

• Under "Hints to Intending Immigrants and Settlers", the Almanac declares that "The immigration to Canada in 1895 was generally satisfactory, although showing a decline in point of numbers when compared with previous years. A number of very desirable persons settled in Manitoba, the North West Territories, and British Columbia."



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By Caroline Kehne
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FIRST MEETING

To elect a new Board of Directors.

SECOND MEETING

- (i) to approve by-laws expected to be adopted by the new Board of Directors in respect of the following matters:
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 - (b) reducing the quorum for meetings of the Board of Directors from 5 to 3;
 - (c) reducing the quorum for meetings of shareholders from 15 to 10; and
 - (d) authorizing the directors to continue the Club under Part 1A of the *Quebec Companies Act* or as a "not-for-profit" company without share capital under Part III of that Act.
- (ii) to dispense with the engagement of auditors; and
- (iii) to ratify and approve all other acts and actions of the new Board of Directors including all actions required to ensure the Club is in good standing with all regulatory authorities.

The meetings have been convened pursuant to the written requisition of ten registered shareholders as contemplated by the by-laws of the Club.

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Trio Clara joins Puchhammer in West Brome

Staff

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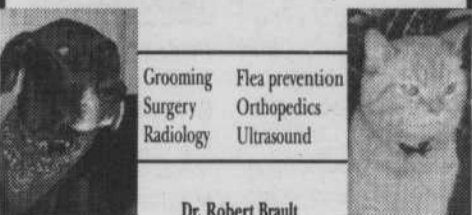
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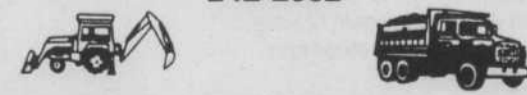
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Card of Thanks

FOSTER, Bernadette (Bissonnette), 1921-2002: It is never easy to say goodbye to a wife of 61 years, a mother of 9 children, grandmother of 22 and great-grandmother of 17. She will be missed by all of us. We certainly appreciate the love and support shown by our family and friends during this sad time. We would like to express our sincere thanks to all who came to the service, (some traveling quite a distance), for the lovely cards, donations in her memory and the numerous calls we have all received. Thank you to Maryse and Pascal for the loving care that Bernadette received during her last two months at the "Pension le Soleil" in Waterloo. Special thanks to Rev. Rick Gariepy for interrupting his holidays to be there for us, to Evelyn Johnston-Main for the fine job she did on the organ and to the Ladies Guild of Brome for the beautiful lunch. Thanks to all.

ERIC & FAMILY

Memorial Mass

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Traditional Thai massage and well-being

Townships residents studied technique north of Thailand

Submitted by Danielle Hébert
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

In Thailand, a country formerly called Siam, there is a massage tradition that has been maintained over centuries. Even though at times it was perceived in different ways, such as barely disguised prostitution, the traditional Thai massage is in fact quite far from that.

In fact, when a person is sick, or out of sync physically or spiritually, he or she often turns for the help to a

therapist who has developed a deep intuitive knowledge of the human body.

Using stretching methods, sustained pressures kneading the patient muscles, the therapist uses the pressure of his thumbs to follow the 10 life energy lines named 'SEN', or 'Meridian; in the Chinese or Japanese medical culture.

He or she restores the circulation of the energy called 'prana', considered the basic food of the human being. The stimulated points are considered windows by which an exchange of cosmic energy maintains the human body in balance with the energy of the universe. Locked energy

can bring physical discomfort as well as spiritual imbalance, even sickness if there is too much accumulation.

By manipulations which look like yoga movements, therapists work with the palms of their hands, thumbs, feet or forearms to relax even more the muscles, as well as to help the circulation of energy lines in the body. Therapists even use their elbows to penetrate softly but deeply into the knots that block the Energy.

In ancient times, this was called traditional yoga massage. Now called traditional Thai massage, or NUAD in Thai, it's the reflection of a long history of health therapy. Its roots are not from Thailand, but from South-East India. A doctor, Kumar Baccha, who lived at the same time than Buddha, 2,500 years ago, personal doctor of the king, was the initiator of the traditional Thai massage.

The traditional Thai massage is

given on the floor, on a fouton or exercise mattress, and received with ample clothes, loose at the waist, and is for people of all ages. Home visits, in your own environment, are even recommended.

Two women from our area, Natasha Dionne from Glen Sutton, and Danielle Hébert from Sutton, stayed for a while in Chiang Mai, north of Thailand, to study that ancient art at the Traditional Thai Massage Hospital, started by doctor Shivago Komarpaj.


As well as learning the techniques of the 109 different positions, they became aware, following the Buddhist tradition, of the importance of the meditative attitude while giving a massage.

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