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Richmond Fair turnout likely a record

By Gordon Lambie

It was a busy fair weekend in Richmond as people made the long-awaited return to the last fair of the season. As has been the case with the other fairs across the Eastern Townships the smaller number of exhibitors across most or all classes was not reflected in the turnout, which tested the limited of the site's capacity.

"It's been pretty darn good," said Fair President Avery Perkins on Sunday afternoon.

Although no official count had yet been made, he said it would come as no surprise if Saturday's turnout ended up being a record for the fair. "It's hard to say for sure," Perkins said, offering a 'quick count' of over 8,000 that day alone, and more than 15,000 altogether by Sunday morning.

Organizers were kept on their feet Saturday afternoon trying to sort out parking for the large number of visitors backed up in both directions along route 143. On site, some visitors reported having waited as much as three hours to get their car parked, and people could be seen getting out of their cars and walking to the fair site to bypass the traffic, with some opting to park in town and walk the more than five kilometres to the fairgrounds. Despite that challenge, most of those The Record spoke with said that this only increased their desire to make the most of their trip to the fair.

Aside from the smaller numbers of entries than in pre-pandemic years, the atmosphere of the event proved to be lively and positive. The fair's new grandstands also clearly pulled their weight, offering thousands of spectators a new point of view on the pull track and outdoor horse shows.

"Everything went well," Perkins reflected.

See photos on page 7.

Reflections from the Queen's "common face across Canada"



GORDON LAMBIE

Bob Farnham standing alongside the certificate for his Royal Victorian Medal, as well as framed photographs and memorabilia from his work on several different royal tours.

By Gordon Lambie

It would be hard to find someone in the Eastern Townships who has spent more time in close contact with Queen Elizabeth II than Bob Farnham. While he now spends his

days at home in North Hatley, the retired RCMP officer once served as personal security escort commander for the Queen during her journeys to Canada.

"She wanted a common face across Canada," Farnham said, sharing that he

served as commander for the last three or four visits the monarch made to Canada. During that time, the retired officer said that although the rest of the Canadian security detail would be shuffled as she moved from province to province, he remained at her side to

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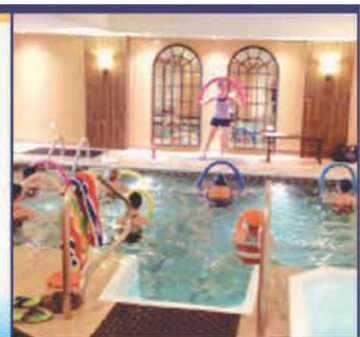


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Organ recitals in support of Afghan refugees continue at Grace Anglican Church in Sutton



COURTESY

On Sept. 17 at 4 p.m. Sutton's Grace Anglican Church will hold its third in a series of organ recitals in support of the sponsorship of Afghan refugees. Pierre Cabana, the organist at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Knowlton will be the featured organist at the upcoming recital to be held at 52 rue Principale in Sutton.

Born in Waterloo, Quebec, Pierre Cabana became an organist of his native parish in 1984, at the age of 14. Since then, he has worked in various parishes and cities including Granby, Saint-Hyacinthe, Montreal and Lasalle. As well as the organist at St. Paul's, he is also musical director of the "St. Paul's in Concert" series. Pierre completed his organ training with Mrs. Margaret Emily de Castro at the McGill Conservatory of Music. He also obtained the "Certificate of Proficiency in Service Playing" from the Royal Canadian College of Organists in 2008.

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Or contact John Hoblyn, 450-242-6839.

"We hope that folk will come out to hear the wonderful organ music in beautiful Grace Church and support this cause," said John Hoblyn. "Some of the concerts in this series coincided with other events going on in the area," he continued. "We are hoping that with summer events concluding and fall programs still to come, this date will attract a crowd and benefit our fundraising efforts."

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Local News

The Conservative caucus is also expected to meet on Monday, where Poilievre and the MPs he leads- including those who did not back him in the contest- will hammer out their priorities will be for the fall.

First the win, now the work: What Pierre Poilievre has to do next as new Tory leader

By Stephanie Taylor
The Canadian Press

Pierre Poilievre is waking up today as the new leader of the Conservative party, coming off a landslide win.

Before he can take time to enjoy the victory, he has a list of things to do.

The House of Commons is set to resume sitting in nine days, meaning Poilievre and his inner circle have to decide who will fill their critic roles.

Poilievre has no shortage of names

to pick from, given how 62 out of the party's other 118 members of Parliament chose to back him in the campaign.

He must also decide where to place the MPs who were former leadership rivals: Scott Aitchison and Leslyn Lewis.

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Saturday's leadership election

results show that Poilievre didn't just win big, but really big.

A detailed breakdown of the results shows he won nearly all of the country's 338 ridings, including most of the ones in Quebec.

That would be a disappointment to its former premier Jean Charest, who was Poilievre's main rival in the race.

Lewis also came out of Saturday with only about nine per cent of support, after having blown past expectations for many party members with her strong third-place showing in the 2020 leadership contest.

Poilievre made a point to reach out to Lewis and Charest supporters, as well as those who backed rural Ontario MP Scott Aitchison and former Ontario legislator Roman Baber in his victory speech.

"I open my arms to you," he said.

Those who took the stage on Saturday, including outgoing interim leader Candice Bergen, spoke of the need for party unity.

Poilievre having secured a first-ballot victory with nearly 70 per cent of support will be seen by many in the party as a good first step.

Reflections

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provide a consistent presence.

In the wake of the Queen's death last week, Farnham told The Record that he was more or less glued to the coverage of proceedings and reflections on her life that have been airing on television.

"It brings back a lot of good memories."

Farnham joined the RCMP in 1959 and was almost immediately given his first duty dealing with the royals: to clean and polish the wheels of the vehicle for her royal tour.

Later in his career he went on to serve as motorcycle escort, and later driver of that car, before ultimately ending up on her personal security team.

"Her Majesty didn't like the word bodyguards, but that's what we were," he said, explaining that the officers used the term "security escorts" instead.

Looking back, Farnham said that he served as an escort to the Queen in different capacities roughly a dozen times between 1959 and his retirement in 1991.

"I was as close as could be," he said,

underlining his point by pulling out a binder filled with photographs that show him serving in his role within two to five feet of her at a number of public events.

More than just proximity, however, the retired RCMP officer said that his work afforded him the opportunity to have several conversations with the Queen over the years, including quite a special one on the last tour she took before he retired.

"Just prior to her majesty leaving on her last day I got a note from the Canadian secretary to Her Majesty saying that she wanted to see me," Farnham said, explaining that the Canadian equerry, or officer of the household, brought him to the door of a room and announced him before leaving him on his own.

"You go in and it's a one-on-one with nobody else in the room. He said.

At this meeting, the Queen presented Farnham with the Royal Victorian Medal, a reward for personal service to the Sovereign or the royal family. In preparation for the meeting, Farnham said that he had been asked to submit a record of the different



COURTESY BOB FARNHAM

One of many images from Farnham's binder of memories, showing the Queen and then-Prime Minister Brian Mulroney at the Chateau Frontenac in Quebec City. Farnham is on the right of the image.

work he had done over the years.

"She had obviously seen the list of things that I had done and she said," Now the first time that we were involved in any way, shape, or form was you polishing wheels in 1959?" and I said, "that's correct Your Majesty," she said right back, out of the blue, "well I hope they've cleaned them again since then. She had a real sense of humour."

Although there is an association of the royal family and strict protocol, he shared that the Queen had a way of making one feel at ease within just a few words of conversation.

"She was a wonderful lady."

Farnham also pointed out that even though she likely interacted with a large number of different security personnel on her journeys, the Queen always made him feel recognized

"As soon as they got in the car, 'they' being Prince Phillip and Her Majesty, they would roll the window down between the driver's compartment and the rear compartment so we could converse," he said. "I remember one time her majesty got in and said 'my,

that's a familiar looking back of the head."

"I recall one time driving and her majesty asked a question of the Canadian equerry, who was sitting in the front passenger seat of the limousine, and he gave an answer. I heard the question and I heard the answer and I thought, ooh, that is completely wrong" he said, recalling that the question had something to do with wildlife. "Anyway, Her Majesty said, 'Driver, what do you think of that?' So I answered, and after that the questions weren't directed to the equerry, they were addressed to me."

Looking back on the work of guarding the Queen more generally, Farnham described the job as "very interesting but very stressful," noting that although there were no incidents while he was on the job, that didn't necessarily make the work simple. Overall, however, it's clear that he takes pride in the work.

"It was a pleasure working," he said, repeating that, "she was a wonderful lady."



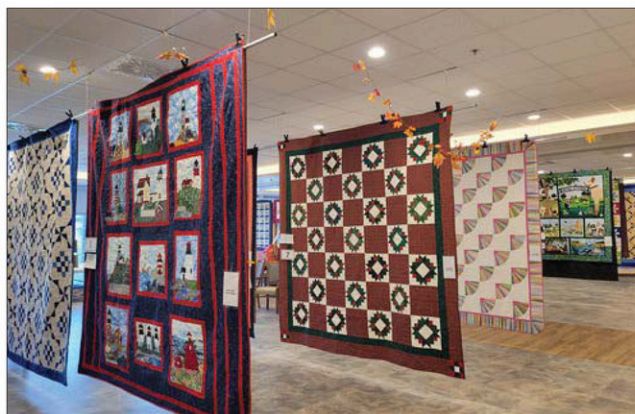
The Queen visiting Quebec City in 1987

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Lennoxville Quilters Guild Annual Show

Photos from the Lennoxville Quilters Guild's annual show and sale, held this year in the Faith

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The first quilt, the lighthouses, was begun by guild member Serena Wintle before her passing, and finished on her behalf by other members of the Lennoxville Quilters Guild. There was a small memorial set up for her at the event.



The Lennoxville Quilters Guild presenting quilts to two local veterans through the Quilts of Valour program.



Guild president Rosanne Toohey presenting a portion of the proceeds from the event to the Grace Village Care Foundation, represented by its president David Price.



Ukraine fundraiser quilt held by Barb Hewitt and Guild president Rosanne Toohey.



Rosanne Toohey presenting the donations amounting to \$600 to Gail and Terry Kelso, which will go to a Ukrainian refugee family.

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Renovations underway for Sutton volunteer centre community project

By Michael Boriero
Local Journalism Initiative

The Centre d'action bénévole (CAB) de Sutton, the town's volunteer centre, held a public presentation in both French and English on Friday to share information about the Olivet House renovation project, which finally began construction on Aug. 8.

The project has been delayed for three years, according to Janna Hubacek, CAB project manager for the Olivet House, also known as the Maison des generations. The project will transform the Olivet Church into a community space for Sutton and Abercorn residents.

"To just see the work now finally coming through it's really a miracle. We've been working on this for like three years, so to see this, it seems so real and going forward people will understand what we're trying to do more and it draws attention to the project," Hubacek said.

The CAB was operating out of the John Sleeth Community and Cultural Centre. But the volunteer organization was informed by the town that they had to evacuate due to the building's structural integrity and possible contamination. They were in need of a new home.

With little to no help from the town's municipal council, Hubacek, as well as other CAB members, including



PHOTO BY MICHAEL BORIERO

Project Manager for the Olivet House project Janna Hubacek and CAB President Luce Goerlach in front of the new community space

President Luce Goerlach, decided to take matters into their own hands. They knocked on every door in search of a place to rent, or, if possible, to purchase outright.

According to Goerlach, it has been an overwhelming month since construction began at the old church. They waited years for this project to come to fruition. And, Goerlach noted, they have complete support from the community. Everyone is taking part in this journey, she said.

"We were able to make an arrangement with the congregation and now we have one of the most beautiful buildings. It was a difficult road to arrive at this project," Goerlach said, adding this wouldn't have happened if it wasn't for the uncertainty around the John Sleeth Centre.

Meanwhile, she continued, the town has yet to determine the fate of the centre in question. Goerlach said the mayor is expected to make a decision once he completes a study looking into Sutton's infrastructure. But with the church in hand, Goerlach is looking to the future.

The CAB reached out to local organizations for assistance without any luck. But the church, Hubacek explained, fell in love with the volunteer centre's project. They want the building to remain a community space, she continued, as congregation numbers continue to drop.

The volunteer centre set up shop in the historic building for just over a year before the congregation came to a surprising decision to gift the church to the CAB for \$1. And the building, while over a century old, is not protected by any provincial government laws.

"It doesn't have an official heritage status and that's kind of an important

point because a heritage status is only attributed by the provincial government and that provides a special kind of protection, and there is no building in Sutton that has that protection," said Hubacek.

However, the church does come with its own issues. The building needs a complete makeover. It also lacks necessary insulation to keep from freezing during the winter. The CAB also wants to add a kitchen to serve the food bank, office space, gathering area, and plant a garden.

"We're doing as little as we can on the exterior. As far as changes go, we're going to change the shape of the windows. We're going back to the original shape, which was rectangular. There's going to be skylights on one side, the one that's away from the street," Hubacek said.

The renovation project is estimated to cost over \$2 million, including professional costs, landscaping, and other elements, she explained. It is heavily funded, however, with \$1.5 million coming from the provincial government, as well as \$500,000 from the federal government.

Hubacek also praised the financial support from the Conseil du patrimoine du Québec. They were instrumental in finally getting the project off the ground in August, she shared. It has been a long time coming, she noted, as the CAB had to deal with rising costs and more questions.

"It's not just the cost, sometimes it's also the length of time to get materials and if a work site is extended. If it takes a year instead of six months then that ends up also increasing your costs, so that's something we were realizing and learning," Hubacek told The Record.

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EDITORIAL

Legault said Hydro-Québec will need to produce 100 TWh more than the 200 TWh it currently generates in order to meet 2050 carbon neutrality targets. "This means we will have to build half a Hydro-Québec in the coming years."

Can Hydro-Québec handle Legault's power dam dream?



PETER BLACK

He wasn't exactly saying "dam, baby, dam" in the style of (moose-hunting hockey mom and 2008 U.S. vice-presidential candidate) Sarah Palin's "drill, baby, drill" bumper sticker slogan, but Coalition Avenir Québec Leader François Legault seemed pretty eager last week to unleash the dynamite and giant bulldozers on unnamed and unsuspecting mighty rivers in Quebec's hinterland.

Legault, channeling his dam-building predecessor Bob "the Job" Bourassa, the first Quebec premier to "think big 'sti" about turning the province's countless tumbling rivers in the remote wilderness into turbine-drivers, said he will launch the "largest economic and ecological project in the history of Quebec."

"Damn, baby, damn," say environmentalists and Indigenous groups, with visions of a looming Great Whale of a struggle in their heads.

Not only did Legault reveal his ambitious plan for charging up the exciting new electric world around the corner, the normally intensely private man revealed a bit of his soul: "This is the project that excites me the most. It keeps me in politics."

So all those who thought Legault was staying in politics to achieve de facto Quebec independence with his identity-based agenda can presumably

sleep easier in the knowledge it's actually building power dams that floats Legault's boat.

Whether Legault still will be "in politics" to see any of his dam dreams become reality is another question. He noted it takes at least 15 years from drawing board to ribbon snip to get a project built, a span of time he'd like to see sped up.

Not that it's an omen or anything, but the last time a sitting premier made a big hydro-power announcement during an election campaign, it didn't turn out so well for the announcer.

Jean Charest (moment of silence), then-Liberal leader and premier, speaking at a 2007 campaign stop in Saguenay, made a pledge to build the La Romaine complex on the Lower North Shore. "In the next mandate," Charest declared, "we will do three times more!" Though there were obviously other factors in play besides electric ambitions, Charest went on to lose his majority in the election.

The La Romaine project, which Hydro-Québec had been planning for years, finally broke ground in 2009 and the fourth and final phase is only now nearing completion.

Beyond the political and environmental debate about Legault's plan for damming rivers to meet a perceived huge increase in demand for electricity, there remains the very practical question of the ability of Hydro-Québec to take on a massive expansion of the grid.

Legault said Hydro-Québec will need to produce 100 TWh more than the 200 TWh it currently generates in order to meet 2050 carbon neutrality targets. "This means we will have to build half a Hydro-Québec in the coming years."

The La Romaine project will end up costing \$6.5 billion - much less than the cost of a tunnel to Levis, mind - but will produce "only" 8 TWh of electricity, enough for 470,000 homes. So, to meet



Legault's target, you'd need about 11 La Romaine projects over the next 25 or so years.

Obviously, Legault is proposing a mighty task, even for an energy colossus like Hydro-Québec. A quick spool through the utility's website reveals no less than 47 projects either just completed, under construction, under way or under study.

A few examples give a sense of the enormity of Hydro-Québec's challenge in supplying electricity to domestic customers, not to mention export demands, such as the \$25 billion contract signed in April to send 10 TWh of Quebec juice to energy-starved New York City along a 545-km buried power line.

In the works: A 225-km underwater line from Gaspé to the Magdalen

Islands, a new substation for Montreal's expanding Hochelaga district, the complete upgrade of the antiquated grid serving the Townships which is now at capacity, a new power line extension to Saint-Michel-des-Saints, deep in the Lanaudière region, site of a graphite mine that's caught the interest of the Tesla car people.

And on and on. Of course, these complicated, specialized, critical and expensive projects don't build themselves. Where, pray tell, are the workers, from engineers to welders to carpenters to shovel-leaners going to come from?

While there may be a looming energy shortage, it seems resolving the skilled worker shortage in Quebec should come first.

Letters

DEAR EDITOR,

This letter is a P.S. to the one published in The Record on Monday, Aug 1. In it, I addressed the problems of what I called "the conundrum of the abortion issue," pro-life or pro-choice. After due consideration I have decided in favour of pro-choice in the following way.

As I understand it, it is not a question of right or wrong. The whole scenario is not good. The important choice to be made is: What is better for the baby? In this context it is not best for the baby. Best is ruled out by the circumstances. If there is an abortion, after the initial trauma, the baby's soul goes to God who loves, accepts her/him completely, utterly, in the bliss of eternity.

If the unwanted baby is born, he/she will live a life over-shadowed by the spectre of being rejected. There are some who wish they had never been born. There are others who suffer a mental disorder, and perhaps take a medication to alleviate, counteract, the inner sense of rejection. There are still others who perhaps receive therapy, receive healing, and go on to a higher sense of purpose in their lives. There are others who combine a numbers of these or more.

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Richmond Fair

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Fair costumes



Fair horses lined up



A child enjoying one of the rides



Line dancers



Little horses and judge



The fair midway

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Datebook



Perry BEATON

With gratitude for the gift of time we had with him and sadness it has run out, Perry's family announces his passing at La Maison Aube Lumière on Friday, August 26, 2022. Perry was diagnosed with terminal cancer in March and quickly accepted the inevitability of his fate. He had loved his life and he also came to accept and love this final chapter.

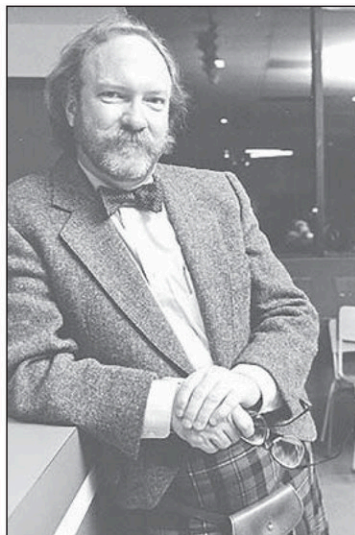
Many of you called, sent messages and spent hours by his bedside. He cherished and lived for these moments along with the kindness, love and compassion of the outstanding doctors, staff and volunteers at the hospice. He enjoyed his time there and was deeply appreciative of everything they did for him.

Perry was the second son of Byron and Ruth Beaton. He was predeceased by his brother Artie (Sue) and leaves in mourning his sisters Miriam (Don) and Liz (late Andy), nieces and nephews Tamara, Nina, Austin, Kimberley, Joel, John and Justin (deceased) and their families. He also leaves behind his special lifelong friends Charles-Antoine Caron, Sophie Caron and Louise St. Pierre and their families.

He was brilliantly smart and talented in so many areas including the arts, science, mechanics and all things weather. He was passionate about and known throughout his beloved Eastern Townships and beyond for his photography, his music and the quality of his many many friendships. He was a gentleman and a true friend who saw the best in everyone and in every situation. His friendships were diverse spanning all walks of life and all generations. He never hesitated to let the people in his life know what they meant to him, and he will be missed by so many!

Please join us on Saturday, September 24 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Golden Lion Pub in Lennoxville to celebrate his life. Bring along your music (instruments and voices) and stories of Perry. In his honour, feel free to wear something plaid.

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

Today is the 255th day of 2022 and the 84th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1940, four teenagers discovered prehistoric paintings, estimated to be 15,000 to 17,000 years old, in a cave in Lascaux, France.

In 1953, Sen. John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts married Jacqueline Lee Bouvier in Newport, Rhode Island.

In 1992, Dr. Mae Carol Jemison, science mission specialist aboard the space shuttle Endeavour, became the first African American woman in space.

In 2011, the National September 11 Memorial & Museum opened to the public in New York City.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: H.L. Mencken (1880-1956), journalist/critic; Jesse Owens (1913-1980), Olympic athlete; Ian Holm (1931-2020), actor; George Jones (1931-2013), singer-songwriter; Barry White (1944-2003), singer-songwriter; Joe Pantoliano (1951-), actor; Neil Peart (1952-2020), musician; Hans Zimmer (1957-), composer; Ben Folds (1966-), singer-songwriter/musician; Paul F. Tompkins (1968-), actor/comedian; Paul Walker (1973-2013), actor; Yao Ming

(1980-), basketball player; Jennifer Hudson (1981-), actress/singer; Andrew Luck (1989-), football player.

TODAY'S FACT: The long-running Western series "Bonanza" premiered on NBC on this day in 1959.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1984, Dwight "Doc" Gooden of the New York Mets threw his 246th strikeout, breaking the rookie record for strikeouts in a single season. He finished the season with 276, a record that still stands.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Explanations exist; they have existed for all time; there is always a well-known solution to every human problem - neat, plausible, and wrong." - H.L. Mencken

TODAY'S NUMBER: 76 - bronze plates on the walls of the memorial pools at the September 11 Memorial and Museum, inscribed with 2,983 names: the 2,977 victims of the 9/11 terror attacks and the six victims of the 1993 World Trade Center bombing.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Sept. 10) and last quarter moon (Sept. 17).



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Inspiration for introverts

Dear Annie

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

Dear Annie: The best wisdom my mother gave me about dealing with the death of our pets was this: Our pets live shorter lives than us so we can have more lovely ones. – Wisdom

Dear Wisdom: That is really sweet. Thank you for sharing.

Dear Annie: I regret not visiting my mother enough when she was alive.

I was a “very busy, always working” daughter. When my mother suddenly died, I had neglected spending time with her and have regretted it now for almost 30 years. But at the time, I was just living day to day, trying to be everything to everyone and meet multiple demands. I was overwhelmed with work and parenting responsibilities and also focused on trying to ease her own loneliness, though I just didn’t have the time that she wanted. – Regret Not Spending Time With Mom

Dear Regret: Thank you for your honest, reflective letter. Hope that it helps others out there hug their loved ones a little closer and/or make that phone call or book that trip to visit Grandma or Grandpa. Please try to let yourself off the hook. You did the best you could, and from your letter, it sounds as if you had a wonderful mother, because you are a very thoughtful person.

Dear Annie: I want to tell you about a wonderful coincidence in my life that involves your column. I read your answer to “Wanting More” about the mom who wished her daughter were more available. I wish my daughter called more, too.

I underlined the part about accepting your daughter for who she is, and suddenly the phone rang. It was my daughter, and we had a lovely conversation. My higher power is out there! – Coincidence

Dear Coincidence: Thank you for sharing your wonderful letter. Your intention is beautiful.

Dear Annie: I thoroughly support the comments and book recommendation made by “Enjoying my Life,” not just for extroverts who want to understand their introverted loved ones better, but for introverts as well.

I am now retired after working for 39 years as an engineer in a corporate world where the extroverts dominated. It also didn’t help that I was a female in a male-dominated profession. Partway through my career, I discovered Susan Cain’s book, “Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World that Can’t Stop Talking.” This book has been the most influential book I have ever read because it allowed me to accept myself for who I am and to realize that there are others like me. It made me a better manager and leader in my organization, as I recognized those like me, and knew how to draw out the best in them.

I have even given this book to a new manager in my organization, an introvert like myself. For those who are short on time, Susan Cain also has a Ted Talk. – Comfortable in My

Introvert Skin

Dear Comfortable in Introvert Skin: Thank you for recommending the Ted Talk and book. I applaud your exploration of self-discovery, which led to success in your career and in life.

Dear Annie: I’ve been married to a wonderful woman for almost 50 years. That alone should explain our relationship: 50 years. I’ve never loved anyone else. Our courtship and marriage were wonderful. She was everything I wanted my wife and the mother of my children to be, and she has been, except for one detail. She lied to me about her sexual past, during the time we were dating and before.

She had implied that, like me, she had no sexual experience. Twelve years and four children into our marriage, she suffered an emotional meltdown because of a difficult childhood and years of lying to me. Counseling produced a whole mess of ghosts and goblins from her youth, and then finally came the big one. She had lied to me about her virginity and sexual past. What this did to her was cause a dark two years in her life that took therapy to work through. She has never discussed or wanted to discuss how it has impacted me.

Initially, she told me she lost her virginity by being date raped. Later on, it became evident that was another lie. I think she used that story because she thought I could accept it more easily. Then she slept around with three more guys after that (who knows how many). Her telling me all this essentially ended my marriage that day and started our second one. I still love her, but it is different.

For over 38 years, I’ve been married to my best friend, my partner who I share everything with – our money, our home, our kids. We share our lives. The day she told me the truth, the intimacy we had was gone. We are more like business partners sharing what we have made of our lives. She has been completely focused on our children and grandkids. She hasn’t got a clue about what her past has done to me. Even in sexless old age, in my mind, I still see visions of her with those other guys, still young; they never age. In my mind, they visit me every day.

Counseling has helped reassure me about my love for her, her love for me and pointed out that I could have had a miserable life of a different kind had I married someone else. Sometimes life can be like beauty and the beast. You get handed both. I believe it is retroactive jealousy OCD. It is a horrible curse. I’ve had to pay for her sins. Being in a marriage with the person you love and knowing that desire and intimacy were thrown away and handed out to other guys has changed everything. My advice is to NEVER lie about any sexual history or details when dating. It is so destructive. – Husband in the Dark

Dear Husband in the Dark: It’s understandable why you feel betrayed and hurt by your wife’s changing

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NEA Crossword Puzzle

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Yearn (for)
 - 5 Developed
 - 9 Exhaust
 - 12 Inventor’s spark
 - 13 Sicilian spouter
 - 14 Carry on a trade
 - 15 Fly upward
 - 16 Loch — monster
 - 17 ER practice
 - 18 Studio renter
 - 20 — out (discontinue)
 - 22 Average (hyph.)
 - 23 Tempe inst.
 - 24 Tramped the woods
 - 27 Crawling with
 - 31 Snare
 - 34 Serf’s master
 - 35 Raid
 - 36 The Bard’s river
 - 38 Revival shout
 - 40 ABC competitor
 - 41 Ms. McEntire
- DOWN**
- 42 Put cargo on board
 - 44 Green shade
 - 46 Drenches
 - 49 Was an omen of
 - 52 Facet
 - 54 Cato’s hello
 - 55 Misfortunes
 - 58 Asian cuisine
 - 59 Censor
 - 60 Apply paint
 - 61 Roll call reply
 - 62 Unser and Gore
 - 63 Car for hire
 - 64 Nut, actually

- 10 Where edelweiss grows
- 11 Funeral fire
- 19 Erosion loss
- 21 Pitch
- 23 Appended
- 25 Eucalyptus eater
- 26 “Cope Book” aunt
- 28 Ca++ or Na+
- 29 Pocket watch chain
- 30 And so on, for short
- 31 Armed conflict
- 32 Day before
- 33 Short haircut
- 37 Collar site
- 39 Headlines bottoms
- 43 Ocean
- 45 Proclamation
- 47 Snicker (hyph.)
- 48 Daunt
- 49 Ali who said, “Open sesame!”
- 50 Famed office
- 51 Cub Scout groups
- 52 — spumante
- 53 Fastened securely
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- 57 Not strict

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CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

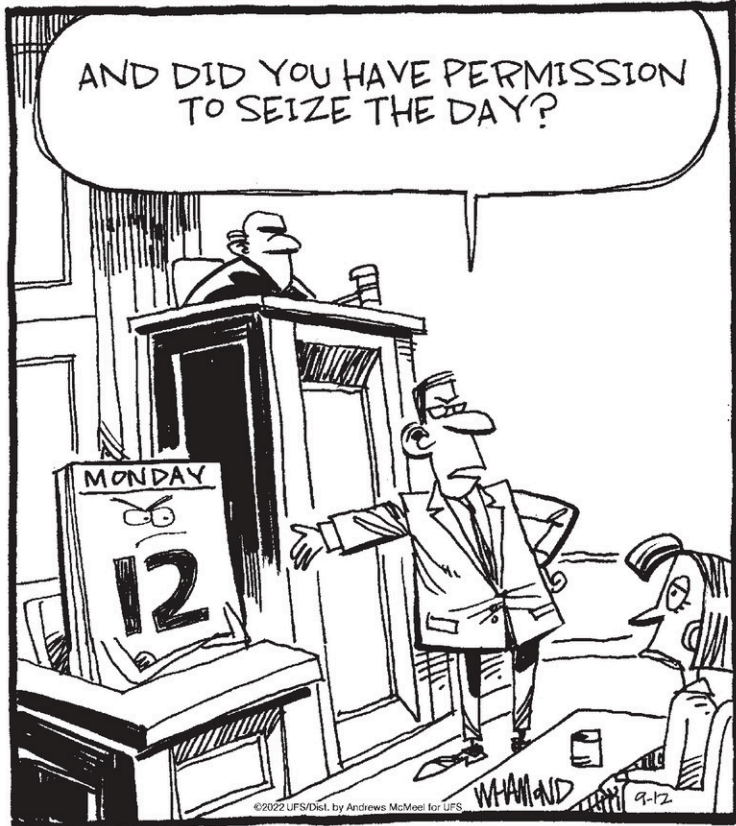
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Previous Solution: "I am more of a New Yorker than ever. ... After September 11th ... I could ... not imagine living anywhere else." — Sigourney Weaver

TODAY'S CLUE: n sjenbe 0

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"Charles ... can I drop you somewhere?"

ALLEY OOP



ARLO & JANIS



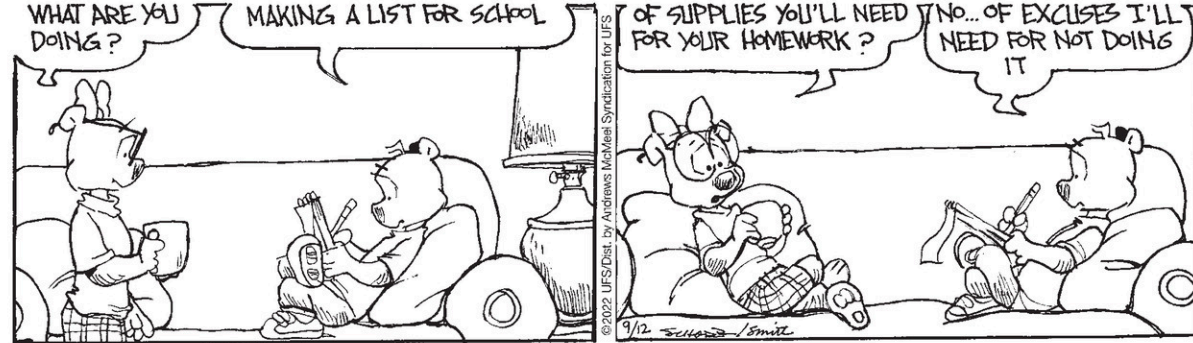
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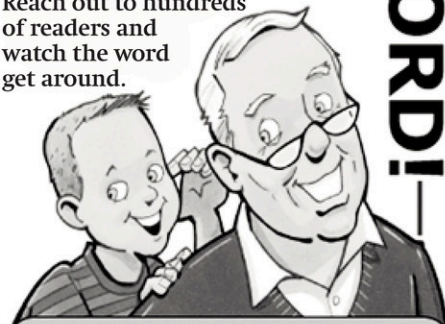
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Dear Annie

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stories over the years. When we are used to thinking of things in a certain light, it makes us feel especially in the dark to realize it's not so. Perhaps your wife felt she had good reason to shield you from her past. Maybe her previous sexual encounters were, indeed, not consensual. Maybe she felt embarrassed by them and didn't wish to share with you these moments she's not proud of. Whatever the reasoning, after five decades of marriage, I'd bet that you know her heart, her character and what truly defines her better than anyone else.

You should each continue with individual therapy to make sense of the situation and see how it is continuing to haunt you. If your feelings of jealousy and rage are an intense form of OCD, seeking help

could give you the tools to manage and overcome it. It's also important that you feel heard and understood by your wife, so for that, I'd recommend couples counseling.

Ultimately, what matters isn't the first person she slept with but the last. You're the person she chose to make such a rich life with. Don't lose sight of that fact.

"How Can I Forgive My Cheating Partner?" is out now! Annie Lane's second anthology - featuring favorite columns on marriage, infidelity, communication and reconciliation - is available as a paperback and e-book. Visit <http://www.creatorspublishing.com> for more information.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

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Your Birthday

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Concentrate on something that matters to you. Using your skills, making something that others won't or changing how you use your space, time and money to get ahead will all pay off.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) – Accept the help others offer, and create new opportunities. Taking a different approach to an old idea will bring it back to life and motivate you to follow through with your plans.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) – Focus on how you earn and handle your cash. An open discussion with an expert will help you sort out the best path for you to follow. An open mind and energetic approach will give you an edge.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) – Change things up to fit your schedule. Reach out to people you trust to get things done, and create a plan that allows you to use your skills to the best of your ability. Don't share secrets.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) – Put a solid plan together before you begin something new. An optimistic attitude will help convince others that you are an expert in your field. A confident attitude will pay off.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) – Look at every angle before you make a move. Consider the cost and time involved before you start something you may not be able to finish. Observe how others react to suggestions and adjust how you proceed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) – Take the initiative and carry on until you are happy with the results. Your passionate engagement will not go unnoticed. Stop second-guessing yourself; follow your heart. When in doubt, ask questions.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- ACROSS**
- Dry water-course
 - Winged mammal
 - Skywalker, finally
 - Ladd or Alda
 - Nibbled on
 - Mid-east country
 - Bird habitat
 - Mauna –
 - Evening wear
 - Selected
 - Part of NBA
 - Get sleepy
 - Itinerary word
 - Rx amounts
 - Noted naturalist
 - Plumbing bends
 - Commiserate with
 - Marino or Aykroyd
 - Ms. Arthur
 - Gets stuck
 - Vegas alternative
 - Thick-skulled
- DOWN**
- Ashen
 - Baldwin or Guinness
 - Bolt
 - Chants
 - Processed cotton
 - Oodles (2 wds.)
 - Oolong or pekoe

- Type of puzzle
 - Love god
 - Sunrise
 - Quaint lodging
 - Distress signal
 - Breezy
 - Large tubs
 - Society newbie
 - Ersatz butter
 - Marble block
 - Small coin
 - Unlucky time
 - Prefix for second
 - Skip a turn
 - Persona – grata
- Deceive by a feint
 - Digresses
 - Chewy candy
 - Triangular sail
 - Actor Tommy Lee –
 - Of that kind
 - Natural hairdo
 - Drop in the slot
 - British peer
 - Venetian magistrate
 - College degs.
 - Dot in the Seine
 - Pre-grown lawn

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Force him to donate to your worthy cause

By Phillip Alder

One of the most satisfying card-play techniques is forcing an opponent to give you the contract-fulfilling trick. How did South bring home three no-trump in today's deal? West led his fourth-highest spade six: two, nine, queen. (If West had led a minor, he could have defeated the contract.)

Strangely, despite having all four aces, that South hand is a borderline two-no-trump opening. Edgar Kaplan's 4Cs method rates it at only 19.55 points. The barren 4-3-3-3 distribution and poor spot cards reduce the hand's worth. North was right not to use Stayman. He had 4-3-3-3 distribution, and his point-count meant that they presumably had at least 29 combined points. Three no-trump was probably making, but four hearts might fall to a bad trump break.

The declarer had eight top tricks: two spades, two hearts, three diamonds and one club. He could hope for a 3-3 club split, but much more likely was gaining a third heart trick.

So, South played a heart to dummy's king and returned a heart. When East discarded a diamond (playing red on red!), declarer paused. If West had

North		09-12-22	
♠	J 5 2		
♥	K 6 4 3		
♦	K Q 10		
♣	8 7 3		
West		East	
♠	K 10 8 6 4	♠ 9 7	
♥	Q 10 8 7 2	♥ 9	
♦	5 3	♦ 8 7 6 4 2	
♣	Q	♣ K J 10 9 5	
South			
♠	A Q 3		
♥	A J 5		
♦	A J 9		
♣	A 6 4 2		
Dealer: South			
Vulnerable: Neither			
South	West	North	East
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass
Opening lead: ♠ 6			

five hearts, he surely had at least five spades. It is dangerous to lead from an unsupported king around to a big balanced hand. Maybe West could be given the lead in hearts and forced to sacrifice a third spade trick.

South won with his heart ace, cashed the club ace and took two diamond winners, happy to see West follow throughout. Now came a heart. West was welcome to three tricks in that suit, but then he had to lead away from his spade king.*