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Magog takes first revitalization steps

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The Town of Magog and Rues Principales have unveiled the short-term action plan for the revitalization of the downtown area and have listed several critical objectives.

Easing traffic circulation and wireless internet access are among the first actions to be implemented in the next year to revitalize downtown Magog.

Among the issues to be addressed is that of finding means of accommodation among pedestrians, cyclists and motorists during special events. To help accomplish this, an increased police presence is suggested by the committee.

Also on the agenda is to study the possibility of implementing Wi-Fi access and interactive tools.

The action plan was based on the results of public consultations in April and will serve as the working model for the Revitalization Committee.

Other short-term actions planned include the establishment of a working table to prevent vandalism, decoration of the Parc des Braves, the development of a design concept for vacant storefronts, the installation of outdoor infrastructure to accentuate outdoor activity, and a comprehensive study of parking availability.

Brochu signs on with Sévigny



GORDON LAMBIE

City councillor Louisda Brochu announced his candidacy in the upcoming municipal election under the flag of Renouveau Sherbrookois (RS), the political party of Sherbrooke Mayor Bernard Sévigny (right).

Gordon Lambie
Special to The Record

Louisda Brochu, city councillor for the Lavigerie District and president of the Borough of Fleurimont, announced his candidacy in the upcoming municipal election under the flag of Renouveau Sherbrookois (RS), the po-

litical party of Sherbrooke Mayor Bernard Sévigny, Tuesday afternoon. Brochu, a 15-year veteran of local municipal politics announced his intention to continue in the Sherbrooke city council at a press conference held at L'Omnibouffe restaurant on the corner of South Bowen Street and East Galt Street.

"Three fundamental elements explain my decision to join Renouveau Sherbrookois as a candidate for the election next November 3." Brochu said to a crowd that included his 93 year-old mother, members of the local media and several past mayors.

"The first is the leadership of Mayor

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LDWC AGM, Tea Party & Hat Making Workshop

On Wednesday, June 26 at 5:30 p.m., the Lennoxville & District Women's Centre will be hosting a Tea Party at Uplands (9 Speid Street, Borough of Lennoxville). For the LDWC like every non-profit organization, the Annual General meeting (AGM) is an important event. It allows its members and the general public a broad overview of their current directions and confirms their purpose. It is also the time to revitalize the LDWC through the official engagement of members into key elected positions. Most importantly, it is an opportunity to ensure that people go away more aware and committed to the LDWC and its goals.

This year the LDWC will be addressing all the necessary business over a lovely Traditional Cream Tea. Then, Professional costume-maker Nicole Labbé will teach guests how to adorn their hats in the very best Garden Tea Party styles. Suggested donation is \$5 for the Tea and \$10 for the Tea and workshop. Everyone is welcome, members as well as the public at large. Please reserve your spot for Tea and let them know if you're interested in staying for the Hat Decorating Workshop afterward (bring your own hat!).

For more information, or to register, please contact the Lennoxville & District Women's Centre at info@ldwc.ca or (819)564-6626 and visit our website: www.ldwc.ca
Source: Kathryn Owen.

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Keeping in Touch



Outstanding Townshippers' nominations open

They are out there and we all know at least one. Those ordinary people who are doing all manner of things to make the English-speaking community better. Why not show that wonderful citizen you know that their efforts – through volunteerism, profession, social activism, mentoring, or philanthropy – are appreciated by nominating them for the Outstanding Townshippers Award!

Kate Holbrook, Townshippers' Community and Culture Coordinator, has been overseeing the award since it was founded in 1999. During that time she's seen over 63 highly deserving community members, ranging in age from 35 to 102, awarded.

This year Kate is encouraging the community to breakaway from the idea that awards are only given based on lifetime contributions and recognize the people who are currently active.

"Don't wait until people retire to nominate them," suggested Kate. "The Award is not just a tribute to the number of years someone has invested but to the efforts or innovative way that they have made their mark in an area that's important to the English-speaking community."

The nomination process is simple and only takes about 20 minutes. It consists of filling out a prepared form and including a list, in bullet point if you like, of a nominee's involvement in the community. Anyone is eligible for the award, which will be presented at Townshippers' Day opening ceremonies held at 10:30 a.m. this Sep. 14, at Bishop's College School in the Borough of Lennoxville, and both repeat and posthumous nominations are accepted.

"There's been some stiff competition for the Outstanding Townshippers' award over the years, but there's a new jury process each year so if you worked



TOWNSHIPERS' ASSOCIATION

Kate Holbrook, Townshippers' Community and Culture Coordinator, holds the book containing 63 highly deserving Outstanding Townshippers. Located at Townshippers' Lennoxville offices, Kate is seeking nominations for new names to add to this book.

on an application in the past now's a great time to dust it off and resubmit," said Kate, adding that nominations will only be accepted until 4 p.m. Tuesday, July 23, 2013.

There are few restrictions to the Outstanding Townshippers' award and you can find about them in detail, and download nomination forms, under the community section of Townshippers' redesigned website www.townshippers.qc.ca or by contacting Kate Holbrook, Community & Culture Coordinator, at 450-242-4421, toll free 866-242-4421 or kw@townshippers.qc.ca.

Townshippers' is looking for a few lapsed members!

Has your Townshippers' Association membership lapsed? If so, you may be receiving a phone call during our phone-a-thon! On Tuesday, June 18, members of Townshippers' Board of Directors will be contacting former members in the Estrie and Montérégie regions between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

The phone-a-thon allows us to reconnect with former members and invite them to renew their membership. It also provides us with the opportunity to validate contact information and make sure that our databank is up to date and correct.

Membership to Townshippers' has its benefits! It allows you to receive e-bulletins and newsletters. It entitles you to vote at the Annual General Assembly and seek a position on the board of directors. When Townshippers' advocates

policies that strengthen the Townships English-speaking community, your support strengthens our voice.

We work hard behind the scenes to ensure the participation of English-speakers on boards of public organizations and institutions. Your membership assures that our community continues to have a strong voice in those institutions. If all that was not enough to convince you, members also enjoy discounts from local arts centres and organizations through our cultural partnerships (most of the time you will simply be asked to show your Townshippers' Association membership card).

Your membership is important to Townshippers'. It plays a role in ensuring we can continue to support the needs, interests and participation of our community and helps keep the Association connected to, and relevant for, the community.

Don't miss out any more! Come back to Townshippers' Association or join today at the website below or contact Evelina Smith, Information & Referral Coordinator, at 819-566-2182 (1-877-566-2182) or info@townshippers.qc.ca.

For more information on Townshippers' Association and our activities, keep reading this weekly Keeping in Touch column in The Record and visit us on Twitter@Townshippers, Facebook and our website www.townshippers.qc.ca. Connect with Townshippers' offices in Sherbrooke at 100 - 257 Queen St. 819-566-5717, toll free: 1-866-566-5717 or Lac-Brome at 3-584 Knowlton Rd, 450-242-4421, toll free: 1-877-242-4421.

Ben by Daniel Shelton



LOCAL NEWS

"We have to decide whether we want to keep growing, or keep the university relatively small, since our hallmarks centre around small classroom atmospheres and strong relationships between students and teachers."

Bishop's University, the university of Lennoxville

By Olivia Ranger-Enns
Record Correspondent

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For the majority of the world not well versed in Latin, Bishop's University's motto means "sound learning strengthens the spirit."

Here's a quick look at the historical timeline of this prestigious learning institution.

Founded in 1843 by an Act of Canadian Parliament, Bishop's University is set to be established on the 40-acre land. The mission? To "offer to the country at large the blessing of a sound and liberal education." The liberal arts and a comprehensive mentality have been central at Bishop's ever since.

In 1845, the Reverend Jasper Hume Nicolls was appointed first principal. Nicolls nearly single-handedly dealt with everything and promoted the establishment to university level. He survived numerous financial hiccups for 32 years, leading the university until his death in 1887. His students remembered him thus: "He was a most kind, able and patient teacher, an example of everything a Christian gentleman ought to be, and a sympathetic personal friend to each of us."

Next, along came the Reverend George Jehoshaphat Mountain (quite a mouthful). Consecrated as bishop of Quebec in 1837, he journeyed to the Indians missions of the Red River settlement (as it was then called) by birch bark canoe (first direct contact between the Church in Canada and the Church in the Northwest).

Mountain co-founded Bishop's University with the Reverend Lucius Doolittle, described as a "kind, generous, simple-hearted man" who suffered bouts of physical illness but weathered through it all.

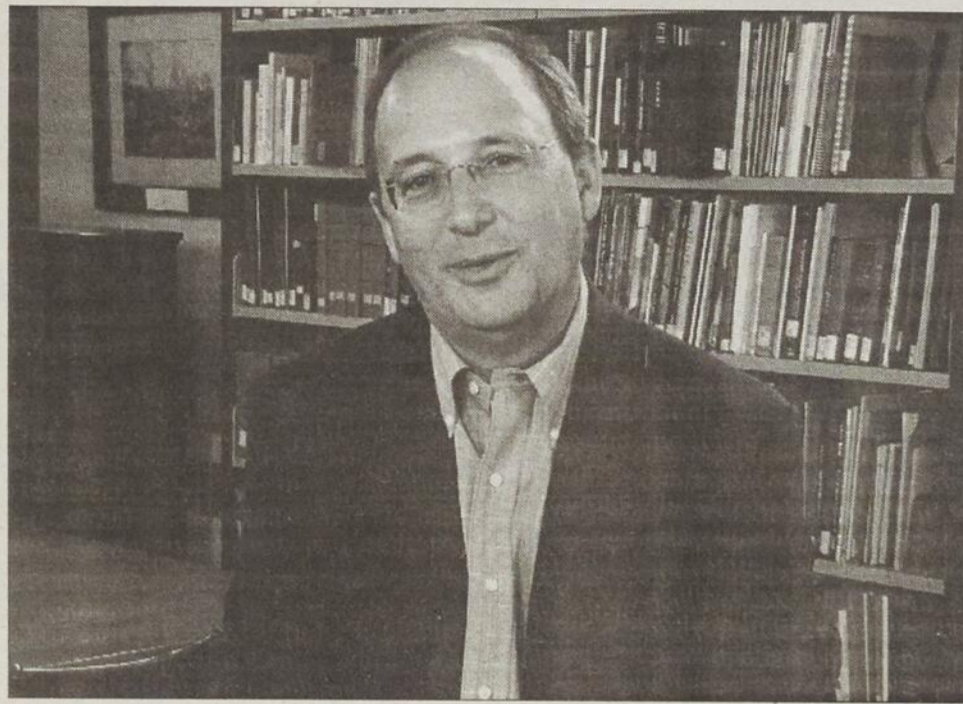
Bit by bit, the ball got rolling. By 1855, Bishop's university held its first convocation and in 1857 the beautiful St Mark's Anglican chapel was completed. Disaster struck that same year when a fire destroyed one half of the college library and only the grammar school, dining hall, chapel and principal's house were saved. More troubles were raging, like in 1890 when a body of protesting students signed a petition complaining about the poor quality of food and housekeeping rules. The whole period was famously dubbed the "Stigma Affair."

But somehow the university ploughed on and several steps forward were taken. In 1891, Octavia Grace Ritchie obtained her degree from the faculty of medicine. As such, Bishop's University became the first university to grant a woman a medical degree in the province of Quebec.

Nowadays, Bishop's University is booming, to put it lightly.

Michael Goldbloom, Bishop's University's principal for the past five years, welcomes and encourages tourists to explore the region of the Eastern Townships.

After having studied at Harvard and being called to the bar in 1981, Gold-



Michael Goldbloom addresses students at the Bishop's main library.

bloom has also worked as the editorial writer of *The Gazette*, president and CEO of YMCA Montreal, president and publisher of *The Montreal Gazette*, and is now working hard as Bishop's president and vice-chancellor.

"The Eastern Townships is such a beautiful area. I would of course urge tourists to come visit the Bishop's campus, which has so much to offer: two rivers, residences, the Route Verte bicycle path, historic buildings, a golf course... which is rare for a university, really," adds Goldbloom thoughtfully sitting in his spacious office.

"It's sad that our students leave so early, just when the weather begins to look lovely," notes Goldbloom, indicating the green campus from his office window. "The university calendar was based on an agricultural calendar, meaning that people would leave university to go back to work on the farm. Of course, things have changed now, students go to have summer jobs, but still! They miss out on the best weather."

Goldbloom and his team have been hard at work rejuvenating and sprucing up Bishop's University in the past couple years.

"We have renovated St Mark's chapel completely, which was a big project... costing us about \$1 million," notes Goldbloom. "We are breaking ground these days. We are also planning a new arena and double gym. The entire architectural design will be modern, with more transparency. By transparency, I mean that people from the outside can see inside, and vice-versa. The look will be sleek, modern and airy," adds the principal.

"The best part, or at least one of the best, will be in preparing a gym that will be accessible to the wider public. Our current gym is still used by both university students and other residents, but hopefully the new gym will cater even more to residents of Sherbrooke. Drop by the gym at 6 a.m. any morning and you'll find retirees who are working out,

probably because they can't sleep any more!" adds Goldbloom with a chuckle.

"We are also working on promoting culture and the arts at Bishop's University, and the new programs are available for both students and once again for residents. Our Donald Lecture Series featured Michaëlle Jean, former governor general of Canada, and of course this spring we hosted the CBC radio program *The Debaters*. Now we're gearing up for our annual spring edition, the musical of "A Comedy of Errors" in June," enumerates Goldbloom.

Goldbloom has a few tough decisions to make in the near future. "About six

years ago, we had too few students. Now it's almost the opposite problem. In four years, the student population increased by 40 per cent. Infrastructure is our primal concern. Do we have enough money to accommodate more students? We have to decide whether we want to keep growing, or keep the university relatively small, since our hallmarks centre around small classroom atmospheres and strong relationships between students and teachers," explains the principal.

When Goldbloom and his wife moved to the Eastern Townships five years ago, the couple was struck by the Townships' warm reception.

"The people are exceptionally friendly," promotes Goldbloom. "I don't even feel a linguistic tension, I really see the francophone and anglophone community talking to each other in the Townships. And of course you have wonderful restaurants here, if you are interested in food. As they say in French, 'ça vaut le détour'."

"I would recommend two things to absolutely do in the region: the circus *Les Sept Doigts de la Main*, which is coming in July to Sherbrooke, and of course the Orford Express. My wife and I took my father-in-law, who is in his nineties, on the Orford Express. It was amazing to see! There is something romantic in having a meal on the train. You're taken back to another era," muses the principal.

"In the fall, my family and I go apple-picking or climb Mount Orford. The Eastern Townships are a place where it's important to love the four seasons. You can always find something to do during a season," notes the principal.

Bishop's University welcomes the Canada Games

By Olivia Ranger-Enns
Record Correspondent

Bishop's University welcomes the athletes for the Canada Games with open arms.

The site is considered very suitable for athletes as the university is in the heart of Lennoxville, close to restaurants, cafés, grocery stores and shops.

Marcia Boisvert, manager of the Games Village, is coordinating the athletes' stay at Bishop's University in Lennoxville.

"We are fully booked, having athletes and their chaperones stay at both Bishop's University and Champlain College. Everything is starting to take shape."

The "Village" will be a home away from home for the athletes. Lots of entertainment, food and other services are expected for the participants in the Games. The "face" of the village

will be determined in April 2013.

Boisvert pointed to the economic effects the Games will have for the city of Sherbrooke. "It's a definite spin-off, it's huge."

Boisvert stressed the important work the volunteers contribute to the Games.

"The key to success is volunteers. We have 5,000 volunteers helping us out, many of them Gold volunteers, which means they work full time and meet about twice a month to arrange things for the Games. There are also Silver and Bronze volunteers who do a little less than Gold volunteers."

Boisvert also urged readers to offer their services as a volunteer. "This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience," she said.

For more information on volunteering at the Games, visit <http://www.jeuxducanda2013.ca/en/volunteer>.

Eastern Townships School Board Retirees honoured at the annual Retirement Gala



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The Eastern Townships School Board honoured its retiring staff members at a Gala event held on June 7. In attendance were administrators, commissioners, teachers, professionals, support staff and invited guests, all there to recognize and toast the honourees.

The evening entailed the taking of photographs, the exchange of stories and a tribute to each retiree in attendance. As each administrator spoke of his or her retiring personnel, it became very apparent the wealth of experience, dedication and commitment these individuals held collectively for their students and colleagues.

On behalf of everyone at the

ETSB we extend our best wishes to the following retirees:

- Sheila Bowen
- Melody Bell
- Helen Boulanger
- Suzanne Cady
- Genève Channell
- Johanna Claessen
- Robert Coleman
- Sylva Darcy
- Katherine Davey
- David Fowlis

- Linda Gilbert
- Nora Gilday
- Maureen Hallam-Lemay
- Charles Hodge
- Greta Jones
- Richard Kozlowski
- Stephen Laduke
- Ruth Long
- Julie Loranger
- Osborne Lowe
- Rosemary Lowe
- Rachel Massicks

- Peter McHarg
- Maryse Ménard
- Douglas Mooney
- Christina Mosher
- Geraldine Murray
- Sylvie Richard
- Louise Smith
- William Tebby
- Shelagh Wilde
- Heather Wynne

Source: Sharon Priest

Brochu signs on

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Bernard Sévigny." The Fleurimont President related that the mayor suggested he consider candidacy on the 1st of June, and added that given what he saw of Sévigny's democratic attitude and overall strong leader-

ship skills, the choice was not difficult. Brochu also stated that he was very much in line with the policies and attitudes of the party, particularly the freedom of expression enjoyed by its members.

Brochu's third point in favour of Renouveau Sherbrookoise was that he is very much in favour of the party's controversial municipal restructuring proposition. The city councillor stated that he was disappointed at the decision

of the council to reject the review of the role of boroughs and the revisions to the number of municipal councillors, and thinks that the conversation needs to be revisited.

Though neither spoke for long, both Brochu and Sévigny took the time to voice their strong support for municipal reform, stating that the money saved by reducing administrative roles within the structure of the city would allow for improved infrastructure and municipal programming.

"It's clear that this project will play a significant role in the coming election" Sévigny said, promising that the conversation would continue.

For his part, the Mayor called Brochu's candidacy, "excellent news," saying that the city councillor would be an excellent asset to the team owing to his credibility and dynamism, and adding that Brochu's political experience will be an asset and an excellent tool.

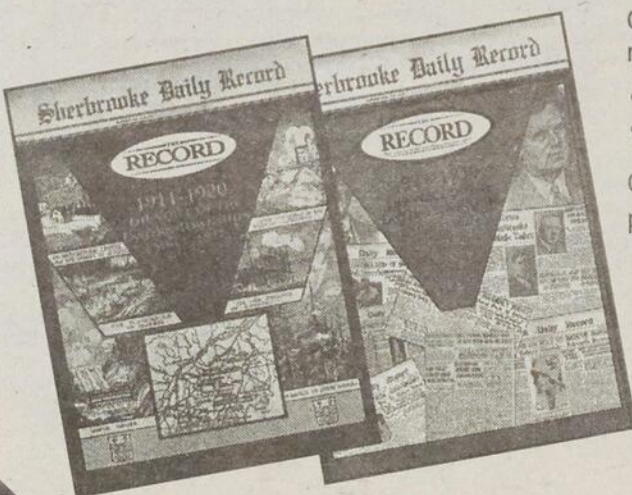
With municipal elections just under five months away, Sévigny and his team are stepping up the campaigning. The Mayor declared in late April a desire to see an RS candidate in every municipal district in this year's election, adding that the party is prioritizing gender equity in its candidates by seeking a higher proportion of female representatives on city council.

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Townshippers' Association's 2013 Annual General Meeting Cooperative goals and new websites launched

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Networking, a compact agenda and the unveiling of newly rejuvenated websites, topped the lively schedule of events at Townshippers' Association's 34th Annual General Meeting.

More than 35 members and guests were in attendance at the soiree held June 4 in the bistro room at the Orford Arts Centre, as the association concluded its usual business and presented the 34 page annual general report recapping the association's past year of interesting and important activities.

Also reviewed during the evening was the advocacy work taken up by the association in response to the provincial government's introduction of Bill 14, proposed to toughen up language legislation, which included a presentation to the Parliamentary Committee on Education and Culture at the National Assembly in Quebec City.

President Gerald Cutting emphasized the importance of increasing the visibility and credibility of Townshippers' Association, with a goal for "cooperation at all levels of endeavour with our French-speaking neighbours in building a prosperous and dynamic Quebec, one where all citizens are at home and welcome. We hope you will join us in the struggle to thrive, not just to survive, as a community."

Charles Taker, Liaison at the Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages, gracefully officiated the election for the 2013-2014 Board of Directors. New board member Kohl Kelso was elected by acclamation and outgoing board members were acclaimed for another one-year term: Gerald Cutting, Peter Quilliams, Heather Bowman, Melanie Cutting, Clair Holt, Cheryl Gosselin, Salim Hashmi, James Kanner, Alice McCrory, and Peter Riordon.

Townshippers' Association would like

to thank all those who attended this year's annual general meeting.

Two new websites launched

Following the meeting and refreshments, the association launched the new redesigns for two of its three websites; www.townshippers.qc.ca and <http://topportunity.ca>. With their brand new looks and improved navigation, each website has been designed with the intent to further facilitate access to all things of interest to the eastern townships English-speaking community.

"We are thrilled to launch these new websites which reflect a fresh and more accessible side of our non-profit organization. Our objective is to ensure that we are keeping the English-speaking community updated about the variety of accessible activities that exist while giving them an easy way to connect with the association," stated Rachel Hunting, Executive Director, Townshippers' Association.

Townshippers' primary portal www.townshippers.qc.ca, which will be accessible to the public by midweek, includes a streamlined landing page clearly outlining the association's main bodies of focus: community, culture, health and social services, youth and seniors. The site also features new contests, a dynamic calendar of events, up to the minute updates, integrated membership sign up and a revamped digital boutique for the hundreds of items created by local English-speaking artist featured in Townships Expressions.

Represented with a brand new logo, the portal for Townships Opportunity at <http://topportunity.ca>, not only features a sleek new site, but information on employment, career, educational and entrepreneurial opportunities, as well as youth resources are now even easier to discover.

Source: Corrinna Pole

Helping preserve elder autonomy

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L'Appui-Estrie welcomes the recent announcement by Health and Social Services Minister, Réjean Hébert, about the creation of a 'Caisse d'assurance-autonomie' to support caregivers of seniors.

In the current context of an aging population, a growing number of Townshippers will be asked to take care of an elderly loved one and approximately 13,000 caregivers provide a minimum of five hours, unpaid care and home support weekly for an older person with a disability that contributes to the ability of the person to remain at home.

"We understand the program announced by the Quebec government will, in principle, have a positive impact on the quality of life for caregivers, by lightening the load. In this regard, l'Appui welcomes the government's initiative. We believe that autonomy-insurance help is complementary to the support funded by l'Appui Estrie to provide services directly to

caregivers," said l'Appui Executive Director, Geneviève Côté.

"Since its creation, l'Appui-Estrie has made significant efforts to assist seniors caregivers. First, it launched a website offering a wealth of information, including a list of all services and activities dedicated to caregivers of seniors in the Eastern Townships.

Subsequently, 'Info-aidant,' offering counseling, advice and support over the telephone was brought on line and, finally, the group has funded 17 projects representing a commitment of \$583,396 to support caregivers of seniors in the region," says l'Appui President Marie-Pierre Laurent.

A third call for projects is currently underway, offering \$514,414 for the development of support services for caregivers. Organizations wishing to offer assistance, respite services, information / training and psychosocial support for caregivers of seniors can apply for funding prior to 4 p.m. Monday, Sep. 30.

For terms and further information, see www.lappui.org/estrie.

Destination Sherbrooke looks to the future

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During a morning devoted to tourism in the Sherbrooke region, Destination Sherbrooke kicked off a new tourist season Tuesday and pointed out highlights from its 2012 annual report while presenting its 2012-2020 strategic plan.

Within the framework of Tourism Week in Canada, Destination Sherbrooke presented an initiative aimed at spreading the word about the economic opportunities that tourism can provide in the years to come.

"In Sherbrooke, the recreation and tourism industry is employing on average more than 3,000 people and generates in excess of \$160 million in economic benefits. More than ever, recreation and tourism has become a synonym for a source of jobs, quality of life and community pride," stressed Destination Sherbrooke president, Dany Lachance.

In 2012, Destination Sherbrooke participated in the establishment of many unifying Sherbrooke projects. Among them include the opening of the new walking trail along the Magog River Gorge, the inauguration of the boat rental centre on Lac des Nations, the maintenance of multi-use trails, the presentation of the show Traces on the outdoor stage of Place Nikitotek, the opening of the new mural, and the

implementation of the refrigerated ice path project at Place de la Gare.

"In terms of marketing, the organization was recognized for its work on market research, events, group travel and leisure tourism. To adapt to new customer behaviour, the organization has also developed a mobile version of its website. Finally, through the effective management of the tourist information office, the Sherbrooke exhibition centre, Maison de l'eau, Place Nikitotek and Place de la Gare, Destination Sherbrooke has demonstrated its expertise in recreation and tourism operations, services, and hospitality," added Lachance.

"The 2012-2020 Strategic plan is the guide that will be used by our organization to make Sherbrooke a popular destination on the recreation and tourism scene. I am convinced that through this strategic deployment, Sherbrooke will be recognized not only as an Eastern Townships urban centre, but it will position itself as a major tourist destination," said Director Denis Bernier.

Destination Sherbrooke, responsible for the promotion and development of sustainable tourism and recreation in the city of Sherbrooke, works to establish conditions conducive to the growth of the tourism industry and the development of the city's territory.



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On the other hand, there could not possibly be a worse time to embrace the concept of municipal political parties in the City of Sherbrooke.

Closer to home



Mike McDevitt

For those interested in the fine art of political theatre, the last few weeks have been a festival of jaw-dropping farce and worrisome revelations. From the circus that is Toronto and its mayor to the unravelling of the federal Conservative veneer of moral integrity and fiscal responsibility, news reports have been full of 'politicians behaving badly' and ineffectual attempts at cover-up. Closer to home, Pauline Marois and her disastrous government appear to be finding their feet, if not their sense, causing considerable concern among federalists, anglophones, business leaders and just about everybody except themselves. Competence may be lacking here, but confidence is not.

With all this going on around us, not to mention revelations that Big Brother (or was it Sting?) really is watching every move we make, it would not be surprising that smaller, less sensational occurrences are also taking place that perhaps we should be noticing.

For those living in the Greater City of Sherbrooke, this year's municipal election is one of them. This time, it could be serious.

Sherbrooke Mayor Bernard Sévigny had some large and popular shoes to fill when he was narrowly elected to replace the retiring 'Mr. Sherbrooke,' Jean Perreault. The former world-class athlete had determinedly transformed a decaying city into a showcase with the Cité des Rivières revitalization program and numerous other projects. Sévigny, representing a common attitude, was primarily concerned about the city's finances and economic health and came forward with both development schemes and ideas for reduced municipal spending and balanced budgets.

Sévigny began a political party to help carry out his scheme and, in a closely fought, five-way race, defeated Hélène Gravel by only 122 votes. In the meantime, only three of his party's candidates won their district races, the rest being taken by independent incumbents and newcomers.

During his first mandate, Sévigny demonstrated his political skills by building a successful management team that, despite its lack of party discipline, managed to find considerable common ground. It has, by most accounts, been a highly successful term.

A standout among its failures however, was the inability of the Sévigny administration to follow through on one of his own most cherished projects, the reduction of the size of city government, particularly city council.

Sherbrooke of course is the product of the forced merger movement and contains several former municipalities with varying degrees of local self-identification. Mont-Bellevue, Jacques-Cartier, and a good part of Fleurimont, are boroughs whose residents have always been and have always considered themselves to be Sherbrookers. This is not the case for the others, however, two of whom, Lennoxville and Brompton, are tiny, vulnerable and have never felt part of 'Sherbrooke' at all.

The latter two boroughs pose an immediate and glaring problem for Bernard Sévigny's ideas of democracy and representation and his attempt to address this problem led to the drafting of the Paquin Report, which called for a reduction in the overall number of city councillors and the centralization of most municipal services but left the staggering 'democratic deficit' intact. It was narrowly defeated.

In Quebec, uniformity and centralization are almost unchallenged as the Quebec ideal of efficiency, making it one of the last places on earth still to believe in this fantasy. As a result, the division of the city into unequal boroughs and the preservation of local initiative threaten the uniformity and conformity that this mindset demands.

On the other hand, the borough system also contains some gross inequities. Brompton and Lennoxville, for example each send one councillor, the borough 'president' to sit on the municipal council. The other boroughs each send four,

with the exception of Fleurimont, which sends five. In addition to their municipal councillors, Brompton and Lennoxville also elect two borough councillors to sit on the local council, which in other boroughs is made up of its municipal councillors. With the smallest populations, Brompton and Lennoxville each elect three representatives, for about one elected official per 1,500 residents, compared to Fleurimont, where five councillors represent well over 40,000 residents, or over 8,000 each. Even if borough councillors are excluded from the calculations, Lennoxville borough president David Price represents about 5,000 at city council while his Rock-Forest colleague may speak for well over 9,000.

Opposition to the current representation comes in different forms, from those who want to abolish the boroughs entirely to those who wish merely to tinker with the current formula. In any event, something is going to be done.

And now we are back to the municipal election and Bernard Sévigny's reinvigorated political party. In recent weeks, one after another, incumbent independent councillors have announced their intention to run under the mayor's banner, as have prominent local personalities who will challenge the incumbent holdouts and fight to replace retiring councillors. This time, Renouveau Sherbrooke presents a formidable team with a solid record. It will be hard to beat.

On the other hand, there could not

possibly be a worse time to embrace the concept of municipal political parties in the City of Sherbrooke. It's a failed idea that has been tried before but is also the central institution in the Charbonneau Commission's investigation into corruption in municipal politics. It was through parties and their non-elected movers and shakers that criminals were able to infiltrate and dominate municipal contracts in Quebec's major centers. This is not to say that political parties are necessarily corrupt, but that they introduce another avenue through which the power of money and status can exert themselves on decisions that affect people's lives and property directly.

Sherbrooke has benefitted considerably from an active independent council made up of individuals who fought for their seats on their own, without the benefit of party organization, discipline, and money.

Corrupt or not, should Mr. Sévigny succeed in assuming party control over city council, considerable changes can be expected in both direction and attitude of city government. The issue of boroughs is bound to come up again and the mayor won't lose by a single vote, as he did last time. Sévigny has promised that while the subject will be brought up again, Lennoxville will be left alone. Even if this proves true, which seems unlikely, it is difficult to see how the 'problem' can be solved without dealing with one of its principal causes. Perhaps it isn't really a problem.

Letters

DEAR EDITOR:

you there is no Friendship Day.

KARL HUNTING
PRESIDENT, FRIENDSHIP DAY INC.

I would like to take this time to thank the committee for Friendship Day Inc for the success of this years event. This was the first year we were on our own and there were some nervous moments. Thanks to everyone doing their jobs to the best of their abilities. I think the event went off quite well. There are some things to address but we will try to improve each year.

I would like to thank Emilee at the borough office who was also experiencing her first Friendship Day. The blue collar workers did a great job as did the police. Our parade went well with two bands and lots of floats and children walking the route.

Thank you to our two announcers on the parade route as well. The games and petting zoo were well attended. Face painting was also busy. While our luck ran out with the rain Saturday night the fireworks were a nice way to end the day. Next year is the 25th anniversary and we hope to have a few surprises to mark the event.

Most of all I would like to thank the people who attended because without

DEAR EDITOR:

I was saddened to read in The Record May 21, that John Colton had past away. Our family grew up living two doors down the street from John's family on Caen Street in 'Veteran Houses' in Sherbrooke. I had corresponded with John and kept in contact with him over the years.

He was a fighter pilot, Squadron leader in the RCAF during the Second World War. He did 85 missions over enemy territory and he survived which is truly remarkable. John had spent many years talking to various groups including local schools about the importance of remembering the sacrifices our men and women made during the Second World War for our freedom.

We all owe a lot to John. He will be missed.

DON MARTIN, JR.
MELBOURNE, ONTARIO

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THE PET CONNECTION



Jen Young

The Pet Connection still has over 30 animals receiving regular care and attention, so we continue to be really busy trying to juggle work and the animals. Since I reported a few weeks ago that I would not be accepting any more animals (which even I broke my own rule twice already due to cases or emergency) until our busy work season is over and we have had a few adoptions; we have to sometimes focus more on work than I would like to catch up on vet expenses, I have had numerous people call or stop in to voice their opinions on the matter. Some have been understanding to the fact that saving animals' lives is something done completely on our own accord, and some

have been downright ignorant to how any of it works. "No, it is not my fault that you are going to put your dog to sleep because I can not take him in and I would hope you would call the SPA before doing that," I even said at one point last week.

We are not funded by any form of organization or government. Our only source of funding, to pay for an average of \$2,500 of monthly vet expenses and another \$1,000 for necessities and food, is my ability to work, and from donations that people in the community voluntarily contribute. Not to mention my husband, who has on a few occasions now had to "lend" me some money. We really started this to help a few. I knew there was a need, but even I didn't grasp the severity of the problem and responsibility (emotionally and financially) of it all. In the first year, we helped over 300 animals. To date, more than 800 have been helped, most saved from death or dangerous situations. In our third year, I continue to say the same thing, "We will help as many as we can for as long as we can," and while I have stopped accepting any new animals for right now, we have over 30 that are still waiting to be saved.

I see The Pet Connection as the middleman. They come to us as the first step of being saved, but they are not

fully saved until a family adopts them and calls them their own. Ideally, they are adopted into forever homes because an animal who is "saved" and then brought back is still not completely saved. It is only saved once it is adopted for good, into families who take the responsibility of helping us save that animal very seriously.

A big challenge of mine over the years has been fundraising. First of all, I don't like asking anyone for anything, which is why I am not very good at promoting our efforts for fear of sounding like I am asking people to help us. I appreciate donations immensely, and it is because of donations that we have been able to save as many as we have, but again, once my funds run out or any of the pieces of the puzzle stop fitting into place, we will know that our mission has come to an end. With little time to focus on either work or the animals, organizing an event is out of the question. When I actually have some time to myself; which I have been trying to create, I try and spend it with my family, who continues to be very supportive of The Pet Connection; another important piece of the puzzle. People who understand this have organized events in the past, which was extremely appreciated; Bianca Battistini, Tara Garfatt, Jesse Aulis, Cathy Rivett, Kristy Bockus, to

name a few, and as of this weekend I will have yet another name to add to that list; Megan Flynn.

Megan is a Blue Seal employee, who may very well have a bigger love for animals than even I. Although she is not paid to do it, she is the first to be on her hands and knees hand-feeding a kitten who needs it or volunteering for vet days. She has organized a car wash for this Saturday at Blue Seal to help raise funds for the 30-some animals presently waiting for their second chance. She's going right to town organizing and getting ready for it and doing her best to keep me out of it since she knows my time or attention span for such things is limited. She's organized to have hot dogs and fun stuff too. Since my job is managing the store, I have decided to also hold a "tax-free" day at the store. Hey, if one helps the other, why not? I hope you take the time to stop in and support Megan's efforts, and the animals her efforts will help, and I thank everyone who continues to understand and support our efforts. Sometimes the most rewarding and beneficial things in life come from people doing things they aren't forced to do, but something they want to do.

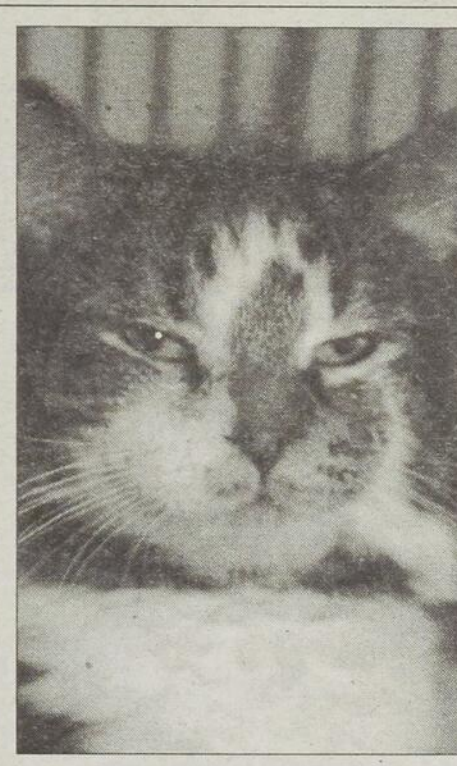
Jen Young



Lady is a two-year-old shepherd/collie mix. She is very affectionate and obedient and LOVES to play ball. She will be a great pet for an active family.



Sally continues to hope for a second chance. She is a very affectionate older girl, who prefers to spend time outside and would rather just be with her humans. A quieter family with no other pets would be perfect for this girl.



Teddy is almost a year old. He is a big boy. He is very affectionate and has had a rough start at life, as he was very ill for many months. But, he is healthy and happy and just needs his new home now.

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DISHPAN HANDS

SHEILA QUINN

Quick! What is a fine-grained, foliated, homogeneous metamorphic rock derived from an original shale-type sedimentary rock composed of clay or volcanic ash through low-grade regional metamorphism?!

Clue #1: You can find a lot of it locally.

Clue #2: Locally you can find it in several colours – a brownish-grey, a midnight blue-black and green. Occasionally there's even a reddish hue...

I'm sure you haven't given up – and especially if you're from the Richmond area (Kingsbury in particular), or if you were lucky enough to spend time on Richmond's "slate avenue," Dufferin, then well, I just gave it away, didn't I?

Last weekend I went hunting for slate for the first time personally. A walkway project along the side of our Brome Lake home required something special, and what better than an actual piece of home. My mother-in-law's roots on Kingsbury's Champigny Road meant that we would be installing a connection to the former family farm as well.

Thursday, following spending the morning in Richmond visiting my newly retired mother, driving the winding ways of the 243, I came to that subtle mouth of the road to the small town of Kingsbury, and my inner GPS flicked on the turning signal. While no longer the hub of much activity, Kingsbury remains a grouping of homes and small businesses nestled around one of the area's most spectacular marshlands. Kingsbury has a type of magic in it. When I'm there, I imagine how it is the actual spot where J-Armand Bombardier first got started on prototypes for his vehicles that would change the world of transportation. I picture the self-portraits and photographs taken by artist F.S. Coburn, of flamenco dancer Carlotta, atop the impressive outcropping of the original slate quarry, a glowing midnight mass of deep blue, reflections of the original ocean floor that once boiled and shot straight up.

With the capable Michaël (an Ardoise Kingsbury employee for the past four years) guiding, I investigated how to proceed in the coming days to acquire the stones for our pathway. A solid vehicle for transportation and picking partner in mind, I made my way out of the spectacular quarry, determined to return in a few days' time to select the stones required.

Maurcie Houle's quarry, Ardoise Kingsbury (ardoise is French for slate) isn't hard to find. The massive engraved slate sign at his enterprise's gates clearly indicates what you're getting

yourself into, however, once you make your way down the winding, tree-lined path through to his small (impressively off-grid) home and office, there's a magical quality to your journey. Houle's eyes are as green as the Kingsbury slate, and his passion for his life and work in the area clear. In business since 1988 in Kingsbury, and a figure you will certainly remember from *Record* contributor Nick Fonda's interesting piece "Man of Slate," Houle enthusiastically, quietly guided us through the initial steps and off we went to begin the selection process.

With a palate provided by Michaël, we began stacking. Even slate that is relatively thin is impressively heavy. Grateful for my partner's ability and experience in lugging, and for the presence of his friend and hired man who met us at the quarry with his family, who was curious about the process, we began doing our best to imagine how much we would need.

A foot-and-a-half or so of slate piled on later, plus a second palate acquired when the scales indicated we were about a quarter of a ton short, we had what looked like the right amount to at least significantly begin, without busting the bank no less.

There's something magical about slate. Not just its origins, as what I understand to be the soft ocean floor heated to astronomical temperatures, thrusting upwards to harden, but also its glow. In spite of the many blue-grey roofs of my childhood (my Quinn grandparents lived on Dufferin), the green variety of Kingsbury slate was what felt right for home. With an awareness that rain was imminent, and our many hours digging, raking and shaping the pathway, my patient (yet exhausted) mate worked through the cool, yet buggy, evening, under the lights in our yard to place the stones to the best of our untrained ability.

In the flanking gardens, the B.C. blue hydrangea is still beautiful, the "little princess" spiral shrubs still boast a spray of tiny buds, soon to be tiny pink flowers. The Phantom, our white pumpkin plant, still seems to be thriving (although I am clueless as to its care, at the mercy of the Net and the more experienced gardeners in my midst). Our bigger light blue lilac and small white lilac bushes still remind us that in the coming years they will grow and decorate our yard with colour and fragrance. Irises, forget-me-nots (my favourite flower) and other acquired plant life enrich our surroundings...yet it is this series of slabs, handpicked from the grounds of Ardoise Kingsbury, gradually taking shape together, that truly feel like our crowning achievement in our outer décor.

The Townships is filled with natural beauty that we can bring home without compromising the environment. Slate is a perfect example of the great natural resources to explore. Grow your home – take your time and enjoy yourselves – every step of the process has a richness to it, if you really pay attention to the moment.

Don't miss DH Radio tonight from 9:00 – 11:00 on CJMQ 88.9 FM, with your hosts, Sheila Q. and Stéphane Bessette!

Magog

Financial Report 2012

Tabling of the 2012 Financial Report

In accordance with Article 105.1 of the Law for Cities and Towns, the Treasurer and Director of Finance for the Ville de Magog, Mrs. Anne Couturier, CPA, CA, presented and tabled the financial report of the Ville de Magog and the report of the auditor Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton for the 2012 Financial year at the regular municipal council meeting held on May 21, 2013. Auditor Mrs. Francine Bergeron, CPA, CA, presented the report of the independent auditor.

The following is the summarized version of the Consolidated Financial Report dated December 31, 2012, a copy of which is available on the City's website: www.ville.magog.qc.ca

Results by Activity (non-consolidated)

	MUNICIPAL ACTIVITIES	HYDRO-MAGOG	TOTAL	BUDGET
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenues	44,734,956	21,538,601	66,273,556	65,129,000
Expenses	<u>44,158,287</u>	<u>18,008,467</u>	<u>62,166,754</u>	<u>65,129,000</u>
Surplus	576,669	3,530,134	4,106,802	0

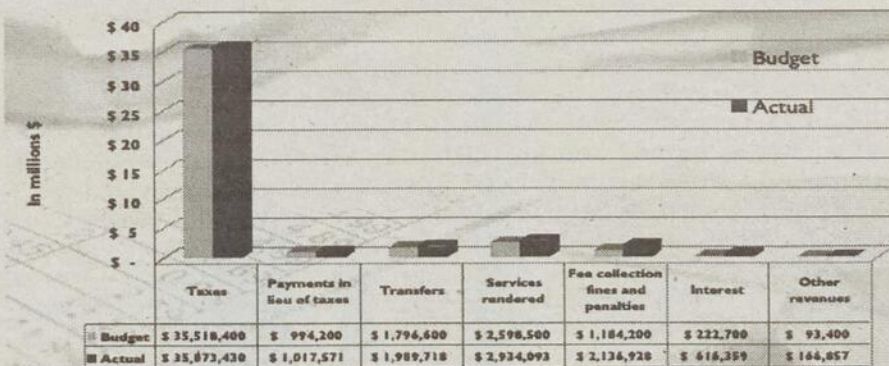
Results: Hydro-Magog

	ADOPTED BUDGET	ACTUAL RESULTS	DIFFERENCE
	\$	\$	\$
Revenues	22,721,000	21,538,601	(1,182,399)
Expenses	<u>17,336,000</u>	<u>18,008,467</u>	<u>672,467</u>
Surplus (Deficit)	5,385,000	3,530,134	(1,854,866)

Results: Municipal Activities

	ADOPTED BUDGET	ACTUAL RESULTS	DIFFERENCE
	\$	\$	\$
Revenues	42,408,000	44,734,956	2,326,956
Expenses	<u>47,793,000</u>	<u>44,158,287</u>	<u>(3,634,713)</u>
Surplus (Deficit)	(5,385,000)	576,669	5,961,669

Operating Revenues- Municipal Activities

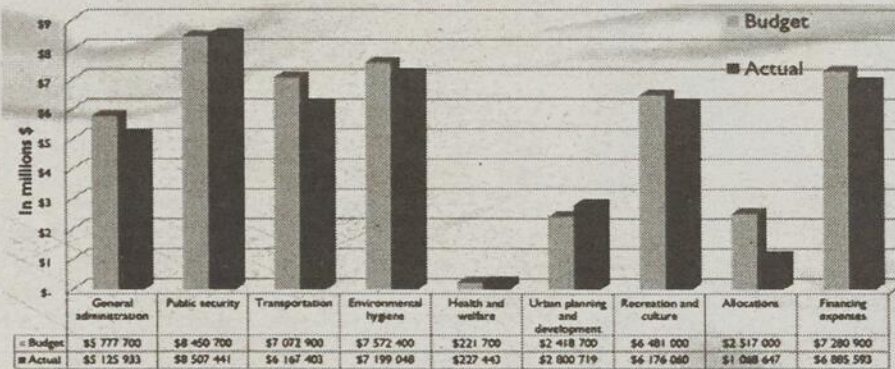


Consolidated Operating Results

The financial report of the Ville de Magog must be consolidated, i.e. it must include the City's share in the Régie de Police de Memphrémagog.

Thus, the 2012 consolidated surplus amounts to \$4,104,496.

Operating Expenses - Municipal Activities: by function



Consolidated Investment Activities

Property investments	\$14,330,303
Investments in loans and investments portfolio	\$54,993
Financing through long-term debt	\$7,528,944
Financing through the surplus and reserved funds	\$3,275,045
Financing through grants and other	\$2,659,701

Statement of the Consolidated Financial Situation

	2011	2012
	\$	\$
Financial assets	30,020,360	33,104,146
Long-term debt	(64,982,276)	(67,270,365)
Deferred debt-related fees	610,689	605,334
Other liabilities	(13,995,545)	(15,691,435)
Net financial assets (Net debt)	(48,346,772)	(49,252,320)
Non-financial assets:		
-Capital assets	161,660,939	167,970,303
-Other assets	5,126,630	4,943,473
	166,787,569	172,913,776
Accumulated surplus:		
-Accumulated surplus and reserved funds	14,824,841	18,447,524
-Net investment in capital assets	103,615,956	105,213,932
	118,440,797	123,661,456

Consolidated Long-Term Debt

	2011	2012	VARIATION
	\$	\$	\$
Overall population tax burden	43,533,464	45,895,697	2,362,233
Tax burden of sectors	17,777,599	18,041,876	264,277
Government of Quebec tax burden	3,671,213	3,332,792	(338,421)
Total	64,982,276	67,270,365	2,288,089

Consolidated Accumulated Surplus

	2011	2012
	\$	\$
Unrestricted operating surplus	6,324,408	5,971,280
Restricted operating surplus	2,751,972	5,554,659
Working capital	4,814,579	5,840,967
Parks and playgrounds fund	275,708	364,123
Other reserved funds	658,174	716,495
Total	14,824,841	18,447,524

Local Sports

Niemeyer was Canada's top-ranked singles player on numerous occasions during the first few years of the 21st century alternating the honour with Frank Dancevic and Simon Larose.

Neimeyer named to Tennis Canada Hall of Fame

Deauville resident was one of Canada's top players



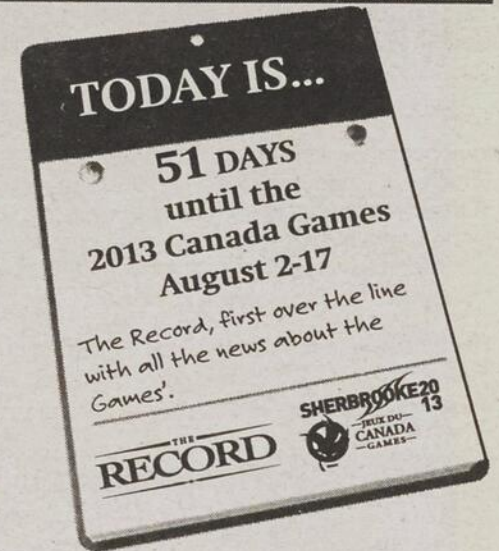
By Mike Hickey
Special to The Record

Deauville's Frédéric Niemeyer is among four players headed to the Tennis Canada's Hall of Fame. Tennis Canada announced last week that Quebecers Stéphane Bonneau, Simon Larose, Sébastien LeBlanc will join Niemeyer in the Rogers Cup Hall of Fame in recognition of the indelible mark they left on the Rogers Cup presented by National Bank and in the hearts of tennis fans.

The quartet will be honoured on centre court in Montreal at the first evening session of the 2013 Rogers Cup on Monday August 5. Niemeyer, who retired just four years ago, played the last tournament of his career at the Rogers Cup in Montreal, defeating world No. 39 Igor Kunitsyn of Russia and earning the chance to face the great Roger Federer.

The crowd favourite fought hard but fell in two tight sets (7-6, 6-4) in a match that marked his 12th appearance at the event. Niemeyer had also made it past the first round of the tournament in 2004, when he was ranked 134th in the world. For nine years, he was a key player on the Canadian Davis Cup team, posting 22 wins and 13 losses. He also secured 14 Futures and Challenger titles and represented Canada in doubles at the Olympic Games in Athens and Beijing. In his only Grand Slam appearance Niemeyer reached the second round of the 2003 Wimbledon Championships by beating the eighth-ranked Felix Mantilla. He also reached the second round of Wimbledon twice in doubles in 2005 and 2006.

Niemeyer was Canada's top-ranked singles player on numerous occasions during the first few years of the 21st century alternating the honour with Frank



Dancevic and Simon Larose.

Niemeyer played college tennis at Middle Tennessee University where he earned All-American status. He was named Canada's tennis Player of the Year for 2002. His career high singles ranking is 134th in the world rankings, which he reached in March 2004.

QB Tebow officially signs with New England

People familiar with deal say it is for two years

By Howard Ulman
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tim Tebow is back on the field with an NFL team — the New England Patriots.

The Patriots announced the signing of the former Jets quarterback on Tuesday, six weeks after he was cut by New York and just in time for the start of the three-day Patriots minicamp that runs through Thursday.

Tebow practiced with veteran New England starter Tom Brady and backup Ryan Mallett. The newest Patriot wore No. 5, not his familiar 15 — which belongs to Mallett — on his shorts and helmet. The QBs wore red jerseys without numbers.

Two people with knowledge of the deal told The Associated Press that Tebow was signed for two years with no guaranteed money. One person says he will make the veteran's minimum salary, \$630,000 in 2013, with incentives.

The people spoke on condition of anonymity because terms of the deals had not been announced.

ESPN first reported terms of the signing.

"Anything we do, we feel is in the best interests of the team," coach Bill Belichick said at a standing-room-only news conference before practice. "We'll see how it goes."

With 15 video cameras and more than 40 media members in the audience, Belichick said, "We've been in front of bigger crowds before."

Tebow, 25, is being reunited with Josh McDaniels, the Patriots offensive coordinator who was Denver's head coach when the Broncos traded into the first round to take him with the 25th draft pick in 2010. McDaniels stood next to Tebow on the practice field.

There is no guarantee that Tebow will still be with the Patriots when training

camp begins next month, but if the Patriots keep him, he would have time to develop as a quarterback since Brady holds that job. Tebow even could be tried at tight end, where the status of Rob Gronkowski is uncertain after he had his fourth operation on his broken left forearm on May 20 and faces back surgery this month.

Asked if Tebow would be used at quarterback, Belichick, in his usual low-key manner, said, "We're going to do what we think is best for our football team. We'll see."

He also said during the news conference lasting about nine minutes that Tebow is "a talented guy. He's smart. He works hard."

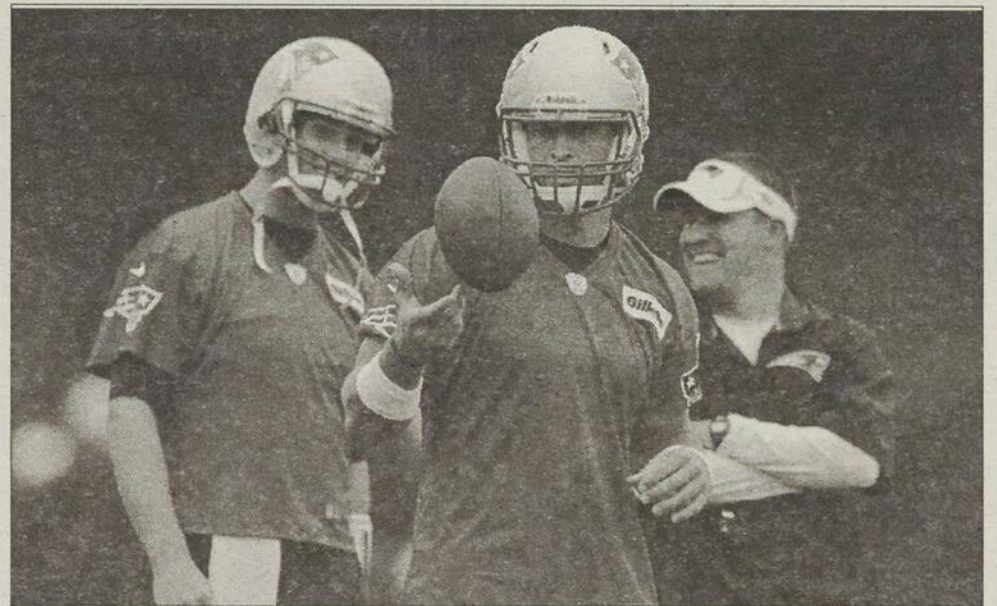
Tebow's NFL career appeared to be over when the Jets released him on April 29 and no team rushed to sign him. But Belichick decided to bring in the 2007 Heisman Trophy winner who led Florida to two national championships.

"I'm happy for the young man to get another opportunity in the league and things like that. We've already mentioned that it didn't work out here," New York coach Rex Ryan said. "Obviously, Tim had more success in Denver than he did here."

After the NFL draft, in which they selected quarterback Geno Smith from West Virginia, the Jets decided to release Tebow just more than a year after a dressed-up, high-profile press conference that welcomed him to the organization.

New York went 6-10 last season, lost its final three games and finished tied for last place in the AFC East with Buffalo. New England, meanwhile, went 12-4, won the division and advanced to the AFC title game.

"I felt like it was a learning opportunity for me. There was a lot that I'll take from it," Tebow said at the end of the season. "There's a lot that I learned, and there are lot of relationships that I've



AP PHOTO/CHARLES KRUPA

New England Patriots quarterback Tim Tebow, center, tosses the ball as Tom Brady, left, talks with offensive coordinator Josh McDaniels during practice in Foxborough, Mass., Tuesday.

built, so I know that it happened for a reason."

Now, he joins a rival who swept the Jets last season, including an embarrassing 49-19 loss that New York endured at home on Thanksgiving night.

"It's not a surprise to me that Tim would be picked up. Obviously, as I've said before, he's a tremendous young man and very competitive. I look forward to competing against him," said Ryan, who is getting used to seeing his former players and staff members catch on elsewhere.

"If you look throughout our league now, you've got Tim with New England, (tight end) Dustin Keller in Miami and (defensive coordinator) Mike Pettine and Co. in Buffalo, so there's a lot of my former guys throughout the league," Ryan added. "(Running back) Shonn Greene in Tennessee, who we're going to go up against (too). With that, I've always

wished those guys the best.

"Unless they play against us, obviously."

The last time Tebow threw a pass in Foxborough, Denver lost in the divisional playoff round to the Patriots 45-10 in the 2011 season. He completed nine of 26 passes for 136 yards with no touchdowns or interceptions and five sacks in that game and gained 13 yards on five rushes.

When he was traded to the Jets with great fanfare in March 2012, there was speculation he might replace Mark Sanchez as the starting quarterback. But when Sanchez struggled, he was replaced by Greg McElroy late in the season. Tebow threw only eight passes all year and played primarily as the protector for the Jets' punter.

Tebow, who won the Heisman as a sophomore, has 2,422 passing yards and a 75.3 rating as an NFL quarterback.

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**Malcolm Carson
McCONNELL**

In his 77th year, passed away peacefully in Sawyerville, QC on Wednesday, January 23, 2013. Malcolm was predeceased by his parents Frank and Leila (nee Carson) McConnell and leaves to mourn his brother Willis of Brantford, ON, nephew Douglas of Kinsey Falls, QC, the youngest daughters of his longtime companion, the late Elsie Dowd namely Sharon (Scott) Graham of Sawyerville, QC and Charlene (Charles) Gale of Oakville, ON. He also leaves his cousins Burton of Lennoxville, QC, Raymond of Sawyerville, and Chester McConnell of Ajax, ON, and relatives in the Carson and Miller families from the Richmond, QC area.

Malcolm lived in the Sawyerville area all his life and was a farmer and trucker. In later years he was active showing his ponies at parades, Cookshire and Ayer's Cliff fairs, and taking friends for sleigh or wagon rides. His little dog was a constant passenger in his truck. He had a severe stroke over 6 years ago, and was lovingly cared for in the Grapes, now Morrison Residence in Sawyerville by Judy Grapes, Debbie Morrison, Elizabeth French and other staff members. A service and burial will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2013 at the East Clifton United Church. Family will be receiving condolences from 2 to 3 p.m. followed by the funeral service at 3 p.m. Interment will follow at the East Clifton Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy can be sent to the Cass Funeral Home www.casshomes.ca. Donations to the East Clifton Cemetery or East Clifton United Church, c/o Ronald Bell, 195 Rte 253, St-Isidore-de-Clifton, QC J0B 2X0 will be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

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**Graham Ivan
NEIL
1939 - 2013**

Surrounded by his loved ones passed away peacefully, at the Montreal General Hospital, Sunday, June 9, 2013, at the age of 73, McGill University Professor and long time resident of Stanbridge East, QC.

He leaves behind his loving partner Laura Lamorey, his dear children: Scott (Mélanie), Heidi (Cooper), Abbie (Mathieu), Gordie (Louise), and his seven grandchildren. He will also be sadly missed by his siblings, extended Neil family, and many other relatives and dear friends.

Family members will receive condolences at the: BROME-MISSISQUOI Funeral Complex, Bedford, QC, on Friday, June 14, 2013 from 1 to 3 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. A funeral service will take place Saturday, June 15, 2013 at 2 p.m. at the United Church in Stanbridge East.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Canadian Cancer society, would be appreciated by the family. Forms available at the funeral home or directly at www.cancer.ca.

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In Memoriam



**Uldene R. (nee Paulette) PATTON
1928 - 2013**

In her 85th year on May 23, 2013 at the Emmanuel Village Retirement Home in Waterloo, ON.

Loving wife of Andrew Patton of 54 years and formerly the late Wallace H. Billing (1947). Much loved mother of Wallace Jr. "Wally" and his wife Erika. Loving grandmother of Ryan (Ivana) and great-grandmother of Chelsea. Uldene will be sadly missed by her cherished brother Dr. Robert Paulette (formerly of Sherbrooke) and his wife Ann of Calgary, AB and by five nieces and six nephews. Also loss of a great-friendship with sister-in-law Esther (Billing) and Jim Sparkes. Predeceased by older brother Nelson and younger brother Douglas.

Uldene was a graduate of the Sherbrooke High School (1946), taught elementary school in a one room schoolhouse in St. Elie, QC, then trained for her R.N. at the Sherbrooke Hospital where she worked for a few years before moving to Guelph, ON. For three decades her loving and caring advice was appreciated by hundred of students at the University of Guelph as a nurse, encourager and cheer giver at the Student Health Services. Uldene accepted adversity as a character builder and was ever ready to bring happiness into the lives of those she had the privilege of helping.

Visitation was at the Robert Ruggle Funeral Home in Waterloo, On. The chapel service and interment service were ministered by Pastor Dennis Purcell of Bethel Brethren Chapel.

Uldene's husband Andrew Patton was the first pastor at Huntingville Community Church for many years. They continued their leadership and hospitality at the Brethren Assembly in Cambridge, ON.

Expressions of sympathy and tributes would be appreciated by the family via the funeral home at toll free 1-866-880-9534 or online at www.robertrugglefuneralhome.com

Donations in Uldene's memory may be made to Frontier Lodge Christian Youth Camp, 1406 Route 141, St. Hermenegilde, QC J0B 2W0.

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**Cecil
SHERRER
1930-2013**

At the B.M.P. Hospital in Cowansville, QC, on Friday, June 7, 2013, at the age of 83, passed away Cecil Sherrer, beloved husband of Lillian Smith.

He leaves to mourn his children, Craig (Marcelle Cyr), Blaine, Bryon (Thérèse Lessard), Carmen (Bruce Chubby), Crystal (Randy Barley) and Alisa, his twelve grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, nephews and nieces, cousins, numerous other relatives and dear friends.

As per his request, cremation has taken place and no funeral services will be held.

Donation in his memory to the B.M.P. Hospital Foundation www.bmpfoundation.ca would be appreciated.

Arrangements entrusted to the Desourdy Funeral Home, Cowansville, QC.

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PHANEUF, Vic Phaneuf (1934 to 2002) - who passed away June 12, 2002. *Although it's been 11 years Since we have seen you, You are still in our hearts and our minds, We love and miss you.*

You will forever be missed.

- Love,
- FREDA (wife)
- BRENDA (DALE)
- JOYCE
- ALAN
- JIM
- MARY (STEPHANE)
- (CHILDREN)
- GRANDCHILDREN and
- GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN

Card of Thanks

MOSHER - We would like to thank everyone for their kindness and support during our mother's illness. We also appreciate the cards, flowers, cooking, and donations given on our Mother's behalf. The Magog Hospital staff were wonderful to our mother during her lengthy stay. We are so grateful for the compassion they showed to her and to us during the difficult last days. Finally, for the visits paid to our Mom from Rev. Barb Wintle, thank you.

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Is there some way I can look into her claim about the child support without causing trouble?

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2013

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I have a friend who has a divorced daughter with two children. The ex-husband has a good job with the government. My friend is very strapped for money and sends as much as she can to the daughter. The daughter claims the ex-husband does not pay child support regularly.

I feel the daughter should go to his employer about the child support. There are laws about this. But my friend and her daughter both believe this might cause him to lose his job. Then there would be no money coming at all. I disagree. I don't believe you can be fired for garnishment of wages. But talking to my friend is like talking to a wall.

The new wrinkle is, the ex-husband is about to re-marry. I have known this guy since he was a teenager, and he is a fine man. I don't, however, have the same warm feelings toward my friend's daughter. Is there some way I can look into her claim about the child support without causing trouble? My friend is about to lose her house, and I don't think she should be giving away her money to her daughter.

I realize this is none of my business, but watching the effect this has on my friend breaks my heart. — Just Concerned

Dear Concerned: We cannot caution you enough to stay out of this. The mother may suspect her daughter is not telling her the truth and wants to give her the money anyway. The daughter may be perfectly honest about the child support, rendering your high opinion of the ex-husband unwarranted. And there could be other things going on of which you are unaware. If the daughter is not receiving child support, she can take the matter to the courts. We understand your concern, but no good can come from your snooping around.

Dear Annie: My boyfriend and I have been dating for three years. This summer, we are planning to go camping with his family. They are religious and have strict morals, so my boyfriend says he will not sleep in the same tent with me. He argues that since they invited us on their camping trip, we should abide by their rules and expectations.

However, I believe that since we're both adults and have been together for so long, it's our right to sleep together. Who's wrong? — Sleeping Alone

Dear Sleeping: You are. These are his parents, and this is their camping trip. You not only should abide by

their rules, but you should show them the kind of respect your boyfriend is showing by giving their sensitivities a priority when in their presence as their guests.

Dear Annie: I'd like to agree with "Encino, Calif.," who needs a handicapped parking spot even though her disability is not visible.

I am an amputee. In the winter, no one can see my prosthesis under my pants. I can walk faster than a lot of people with two good legs, but I periodically get a sore "leg" and have fallen several times. So I legally park in the handicapped spot. I have never had anyone openly direct a nasty comment toward me, but I sure have had my share of dirty looks. Someone once "reminded" me that I was in a handicapped spot, so I lifted up my pants leg. That shut him up.

I would like to tell people that just because we don't look disabled doesn't mean we are not. Things beyond our control have happened to us. Also, to those of you who park in the handicapped spaces "just for a minute" to drop something off: I once had to cross a snow-covered parking lot in a wheelchair when the handicapped spaces were full of people without proper stickers or license plates. Shame on you! — Michigan Girl

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column.

85th Birthday



Clarence Kendall
Happy 85th Birthday!

"We turn not older with years, but newer every day," Emily Dickinson.

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Birth Announcement



Sharon L. Odell & William E. Lenselink are proud parents of a baby girl and Mayve is a big sister!
Delaney Violet Bardina Odell-Lenselink

Born: Thursday, March 28, 2013, 1:09 a.m.

Weight 7.15 lbs., Civic Hospital, Ottawa, Ontario

Delaney is the great-granddaughter of Ronald L. Odell (who passed away May 12) and granddaughter of Gary L. Odell, both formerly of Sherbrooke, QC.

Card of Thanks

LADD - The family would like to thank all the ladies who brought casseroles, soups, pickles. Many thanks for their kindness. I would also like to thank Elaine Lebourveau and helpers of the Hope Community Church for the beautiful lunch served after the funeral. It was very much appreciated. To Pastor Randy Crozier for his kind words and prayers at the cemetery. To our grandson, who played his guitar and sang two beautiful songs for his deceased grandmother.

RAYMOND LADD
CATHY (ROLLIE) DAUGHTER
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BRANDON & SARAH
GRANDCHILDREN

DATEBOOK

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2013

Today is the 163rd day of 2013 and the 85th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1963, civil rights leader Medgar Evers was assassinated in Jackson, Miss.

In 1978, David Berkowitz, the "Son of Sam" serial killer, was sentenced to 365 years in prison.

In 1987, President Ronald Reagan challenged Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to "tear down this wall" in a speech delivered in divided Berlin.

In 1994, Nicole Brown Simpson, ex-wife of professional football player O.J. Simpson, and her friend Ronald Goldman were murdered in Los Angeles.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: George H.W. Bush (1924-), 41st U.S. president; Anne Frank (1929-1945), diarist/Holocaust victim; Jim Nabors (1930-), actor; Marv Albert (1941-), sportscaster; Chick Corea (1941-), musician; Hideki Matsui (1974-), baseball player.

TODAY'S FACT: Assassinated civil rights leader Medgar Evers' brother, Charles Evers, was the first African-American since Reconstruction to be elected a mayor in Mississippi, in 1969.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1939, the Baseball Hall of Fame opened in Cooperstown, N.Y.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I don't think of all the misery, but of the beauty that still remains." — Anne Frank

TODAY'S NUMBER: 28 — years the Berlin Wall stood separating East and West Berlin.

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (June 8) and first quarter moon (June 16).

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by Luis Campos

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RX GXLA PIKX." — KTGHZ KPIIPZZT

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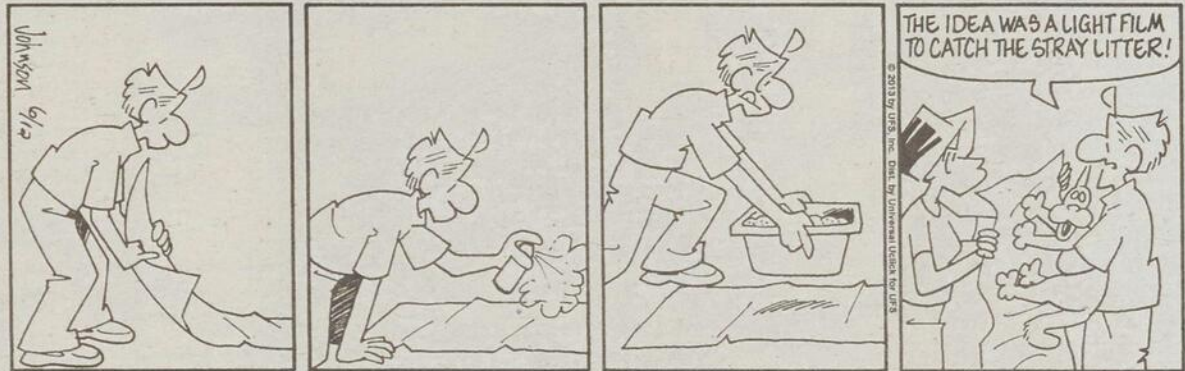


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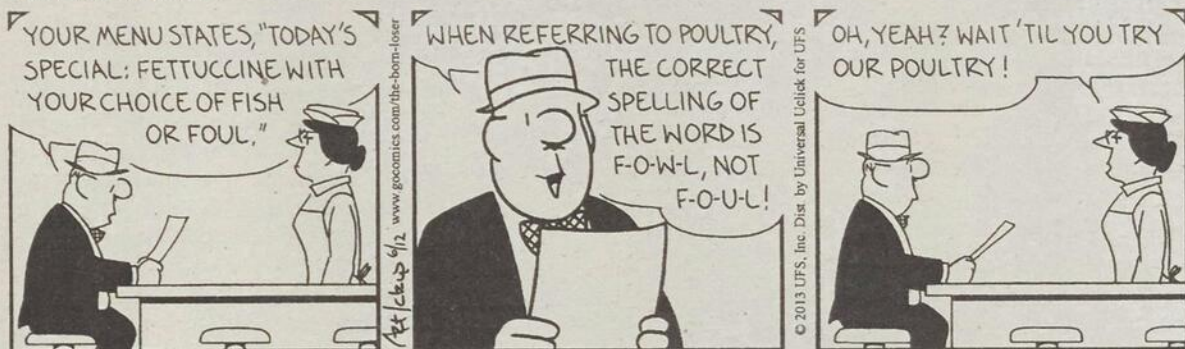
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Unseal stuck envelopes

FRUGAL LIVING
by Sara Noel

already has sauce mixed in), I'd simply make sure to eat it later that evening or the following day. I would add some vegetables to it.

Dear Sara: Do you know of any way to unseal envelopes? I bought several at a flea market. — Linda W., email

Dear Linda: Place an envelope in the freezer for at least an hour and it should unseal with ease once you take it out. I wouldn't do all of them at once; try one or two at a time as needed, so they don't reseal.

Dear Sara: I love all your freezer tips and have used many. I bought bags of lemons and limes on sale and have frozen the juice in ice-cube trays, but how can I freeze the zest without it drying out? — Evelyn, email

Dear Evelyn: Use a microplane to grate the lemon zest, then place a tablespoon in each cubby of an ice-cube tray, top it off with water and freeze. Once frozen, transfer to a freezer storage bag, making sure to remove as much air as possible. To use, thaw and remove excess moisture by patting it dry with a paper towel.

Dear Sara: What do you do with those little bits of leftover spaghetti, fettuccine, penne, etc. after a meal? It's not enough to save for tomorrow's lunch, but I hate to toss it. Being pasta, it will cook to mush in a soup. It's covered in sauce, so it might not be complimentary in a bread or baked good. Can you suggest any alternative uses? — Leona, Canada

Dear Leona: It might not be enough for an entire meal, but you can still eat it as a side for lunch or dinner. Instead of trying to be creative with such a small amount (especially difficult because it

Dear Sara: How do you clean the dryer lint screen? My husband is constantly on my back over the lint screen. I remove the lint regularly (OK, maybe not often enough), but cleaning it is a chore. — Katherine, Arizona

Dear Katherine: There are lint screen brushes that make it easier to clean. They cost less than \$15. But you can use a toothbrush or a dishwashing brush if you don't want to spend extra money. Put some dish soap and hot water into your tub. Place the screen in the tub and let it soak for a while to loosen the lint and residue. Scrub with whichever brush you decide to use, then rinse. Let it dry before placing it back in the dryer slot.

Dear Sara: Sometimes I make pork chops in cream of mushroom sauce in the slow cooker. I always make a veggie and a pot of rice with it. I'm wondering if I can simplify this even more by tossing the rice (I use Minute Rice) in the slow cooker to cook in the soup. If so, should I toss it in in the morning when I throw the soup and chops in, or should I wait and toss it in about an hour before dinner? — Amy, New Jersey

Dear Amy: I suggest that you continue to make the rice separately. It's not that you can't add rice to the slow cooker — you can add it toward the end of the cooking cycle — but it tends to get mushy. You have to add extra liquid for it to cook in, too. For Minute Rice, I'd add it in the last 15-30 minutes of cooking time. You might enjoy a rice cooker. I love mine. Not that Minute Rice is hard to cook, but you can add rice and water to a rice cooker and walk away. The rice tastes better and is cheaper, too. I always made rice on the stovetop in a saucepan, but I was gifted a rice cooker and I love having perfect rice every time and not having to watch over it as it cooks.

(Sara Noel is the owner of Frugal Village (www.frugallivillage.com), a website that offers practical, money-saving strategies for everyday living. To send tips, comments or questions, write to Sara Noel, c/o Universal Uclick, 1130 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO, 64106, or email sara@frugallivillage.com.)

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The aspects indicate that you are likely to be exposed to an unusually high number of big breaks in the year ahead. Be sure that you're ready to capitalize on them.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — If you're not careful, instead of magnifying your virtues and minimizing your faults, you're more likely to amplify some of the less attractive aspects of your personality.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Since certain endeavors that usually come easy to you could be fraught with unforeseen complications, you had better allow plenty of time to maneuver and recoup.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Don't allow serious matters to become boring or oppressive, but don't dismiss them with a chuckle, either. Find the middle ground.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — If your optimism turns out to be unfounded, disappointment will naturally follow. Don't let others mislead you into believing a too-rosy portrayal of things.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Don't depend too heavily on Lady Luck to fulfill your ambitions. Unless you show her that you're working hard to achieve your desires, she is likely to direct her efforts elsewhere.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — There is a strong possibility that you will be more prone to focus on the details than on the

big picture. Try to keep your perspective.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — You will likely be inclined to tempt the fates in areas where you know the odds are stacked against you. This is foolish — listen to your common sense.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Usually, you're a pretty shrewd horse trader, yet today you could knowingly make an agreement that benefits the other party much more than it does you. Tread carefully.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — If you should happen to make a mistake in your work, don't try to hide it. If you do, it could lead to unanticipated complications.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Temporarily postpone purchasing a luxury item if it doesn't fit comfortably within your budget. That article will still be there when your wallet is fat enough to handle it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — For the sake of warding off everyone who could interfere with your work, you might promise to do something that you know to be impossible. Lying would be a bad idea.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Most of your boasts and exaggerations will ring hollow, with no one believing you. You'd be better off telling it like it is.

The defenders should hunt too

by Phillip Alder

Otto von Bismarck said, "People never lie so much as after a hunt, during a war, or before an election." Bridge players do not so much lie after a deal as not realize that they failed to take as many tricks as possible.

This layout was in yesterday's column. Then South, hunting for 10 tricks in four spades, ruffed the second heart and immediately played on diamonds to take six spades, two diamonds and two clubs. (If diamonds had not been 3-3, declarer would have tried the club finesse.)

Now let's turn to the defenders' hunt for four tricks. How can they succeed after West leads the heart king?

South's sequence, a takeout double over East's weak two followed by a jump to four spades, showed a very strong hand with at least a six-card suit. North hoped that no one would double!

East should realize from the bidding and the dummy that South has only one heart. Maybe West has a trump winner, but if not, the defenders must take three minor-suit tricks. These might come automatically, but perhaps South has a strong club holding that needs to be led through. (There cannot be a need for an immediate diamond shift.)

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- Across**
- 1 Bank offerings, briefly
 - 4 Emmy winner Edie
 - 9 Stockholm native
 - 14 Pewter with 80% tin
 - 15 First husband of Bathsheba
 - 16 Hermit
 - 17 Ques. response
 - 18 "Father of the Bride" co-star
 - 20 Star on the stand
 - 22 Mean
 - 23 It's uncertain when it's gray
 - 24 Rite performed by a mohel
 - 25 USSR successor
 - 26 "Father Dowling Mysteries" star
 - 30 Force
 - 31 Cardinal and carmine
 - 32 "In that case, scram!"
 - 34 "Father Knows Best" star
 - 37 Belief in one god
 - 39 Put in stitches

- 40 Disapproving sound
- 41 "Father Goose" co-star
- 46 Freud's "The ___ and the Id"
- 47 Cattle unit
- 49 Out of the wind
- 50 Brouhaha
- 52 One settling a score
- 55 "Father Murphy" star
- 57 Keats opus
- 58 First name in wieners
- 59 Carried
- 60 Legal thing
- 61 Marks on a manuscript
- 62 Reaches great heights
- 63 LeShan who wrote "It's Better to Be Over the Hill Than Under It"

- Down**
- 1 Use for scratching
 - 2 "GoodFellas" actor
 - 3 One may be used to pick Powerball numbers
 - 4 Oft-blown circuit component
 - 5 Crafts partner
 - 6 Alibis, sometimes
 - 7 Cleveland NBAer
 - 8 Storywriter known for twists
 - 9 Mattress supports
 - 10 Tattered
 - 11 Like a Greek siren
 - 12 Cold weather wing maintenance
 - 13 Che, at birth
 - 19 "Who, me?"
 - 21 Arrest
 - 24 Father's Day "award"
 - 27 Globes
 - 28 Appear
 - 29 Pres. or CEO
 - 30 ___ of iniquity
 - 32 British Conservative's ancestor

- 33 Unable to reach a verdict
- 34 Natural or renewable supply
- 35 Grafton's "___ for Outlaw"
- 36 Pirate's cry
- 37 Insulated container
- 38 Like Mount Everest
- 41 Explorers John and Sebastian
- 42 Sought a seat
- 43 Dan Quayle's successor
- 44 Had to have
- 45 Saintly Mother
- 47 What hagglers split
- 48 Sea eagle
- 51 Sheep's sound
- 52 Hammett hound
- 53 Swerve
- 54 Extremes
- 56 Head of Hastings?

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