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Dumont confident

Says party's made inroads

By Jessica Brown
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Action Démocratique du Québec leader Mario Dumont was in Granby Wednesday and said he is confident his party is well on its way. "We've made important gains in the region," said Dumont just before going into a luncheon with the Haute
PLEASE SEE ADQ ON PAGE 4

Pair calls Stanstead senior

Every morning

By Sarah Rogers
MAGOG

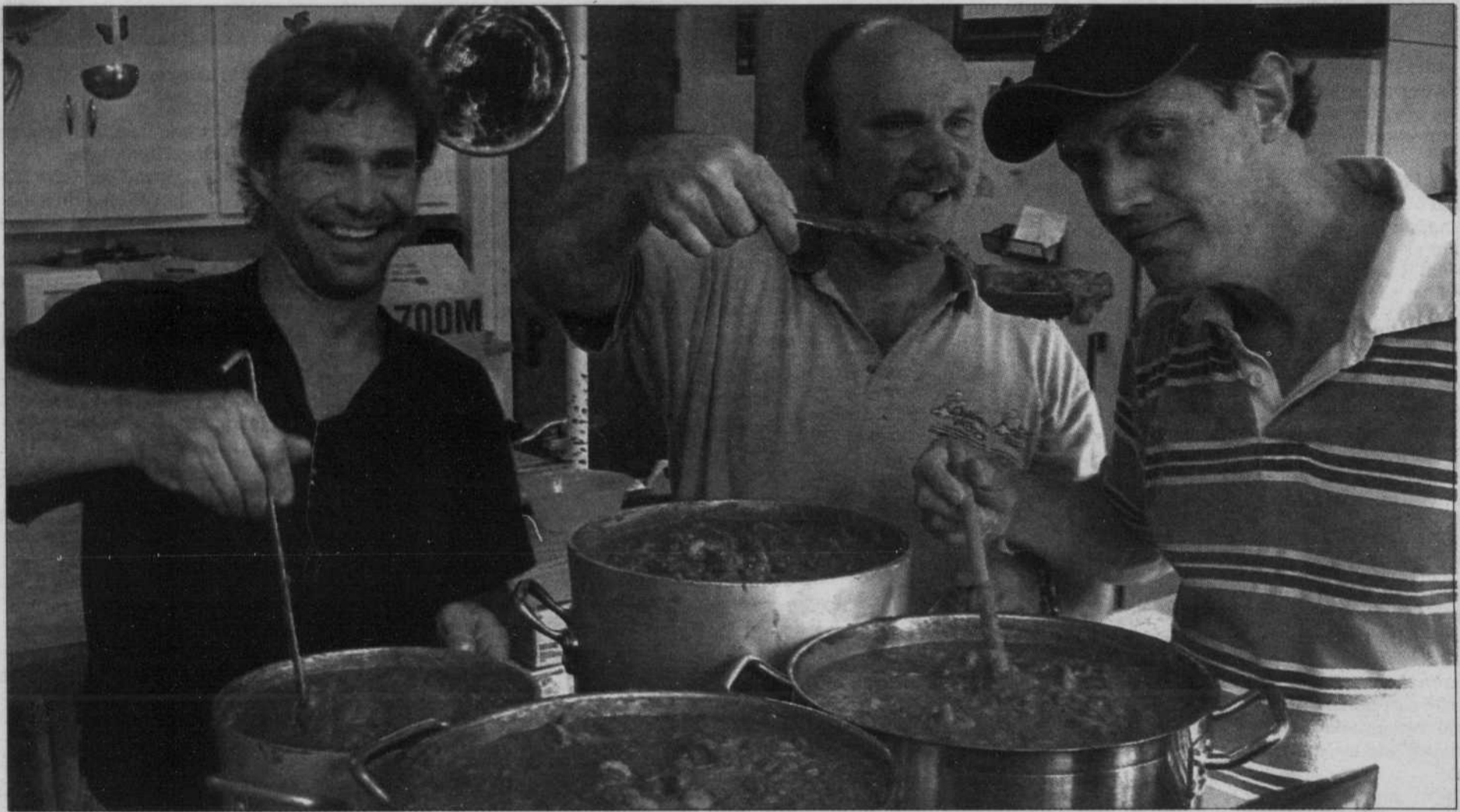
Monica Lester has been living on her own for as long as she can remember. But the Stanstead senior is comfortable with that, as long as she hears the phone ring every day.

At 8 a.m. Lester receives an automated call through the Pair Program. The Programme d'Assistance Individuelle aux personnes Retraitées serves those living alone who worry about their health or security, by checking in on them regularly.

On Wednesday, an expanded service was

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Pasta Party



PERRY BEATON

Chris Nichol, Bruce Giddings and Stan Groves cooked up a storm Wednesday as they prepared for this evening's fundraising spaghetti supper at Lennoxville Elementary School.

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Sire's semen sells for \$21,000

10 packages

By Claudia Villemaire
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
VICTORIAVILLE

Another show goes into the record books as exhibitors packed up Sunday afternoon after a successful Expo Boeuf du Quebec exhibition and sale of beef-type animals.

"The auction Friday was a great success for the second year, this time using the big screen method with the sale going out over the Internet. Prices were a bit better this year too," said president Andre Beaumont, adding he had rarely seen such a high number of quality animals on display anywhere. Nearly 540 head of cattle representing 10 breeds competed for the coveted championship rosettes and exhibitor and breeder banners at the event, which began Thursday with the national Salers breeders association annual meeting.

A Salers male, a homebred yearling bull, raised by the McGee family at Windbec Farm near Richmond, stole the show when 10 packages of his semen sold for \$21,000.

"I raised his grandmother — actually that's her right beside him," said Gerry McGee after the sale, still having trouble finding words to express his pride in this animal.

"It's been over 20 years since we purchased our first subscription to the *Salers Journal* and received five vials of Salers semen as a bonus. And you know, only one vial worked on a very ordinary, commercial-type Hereford. That's how we got started with the Salers and just kept trying to improve quality through the years."

McGee's commercial herd is long gone. There have been other notables out of those stables, bull calves, sent to testing stations halfway across Canada, but proving their potential as herd sires and commanding top dollar. The McGee girls, Joanne, Christine and Tammy, are also dedicated Salers breeders, never missing a chance to come home for a fair or a special show like the Victoriaville event.

But Saturday, smiles almost disappeared as the young sire only earned a Reserve Champion rosette. "He wasn't in full bloom today and that can make all the difference. We plan to show him at the big shows coming up in Ontario and Saskatchewan and he'll be in fine fettle for them," McGee, ever the optimist, predicted.

There were several success stories as

different breeds made appearances on Saturday. The Shorthorns in Carey Johnston's show line seemed to have a solid grip on the top two positions as he vied for top honours with the well known Shady Brook entries. He finished with reserve in both male and female championships. Shadybrook Farm, well known in the Lac Brome area and beyond, took home several of the red rosettes, the Mastines from Richmond also shone with Angus and Hereford, as did Barrons Polled Herefords owned by Wayne and Arlene Gallup.

There were 121 exhibitors from Quebec and 10 from Ontario, New Brunswick and Manitoba, swelling the final figure to a record-breaking number of exhibits and exhibitors. Expo president Beaumont noted the high prices received for packages of semen: "It's obvious Quebec breeders of top quality beef animals are earning a good reputation outside the province. This gives breeders the added bonus of selling some of that excellent foundation breeding outside the province in this way and opening the door to world-wide markets."

Taking championship rosettes home to farms in the Townships were JD Farms of Lac Brome with their male, black Angus, Slapshot.

In the Reserve category: BLB Farms of St Felix de Kingsey with Limousin male BLB Titanium, Windbec Superstar IS of Windbec Farm and the McGee Family of Richmond, Carey Johnston's Shorthorn Lucky SPTGE Casino 39P 58S.

Among the females winning the championship rosette were Michael Morin's Salers female SC Polled Nina 46N and Lac Brome's Shady Brook Farm's Shady Brook Perfect 4R.

Winning the Reserve rosette was Richmond area exhibitors BLB Farm's Limousin AT3 Polled Rhapsody and High Ridge Catalina 3S, Carey Johnston's Shorthorn female to name just a few of the animals presented at this annual show.

Held in the Victoriaville coliseum, accommodations were stretched to the limit with several agriculture society stables put into use as well as a huge tent erected at the site. This is the seventh year the event has been held in Victoriaville and it will continue to be held here annually through 2010.



CLAUDIA VILLEMAIRE

Getting top price at the Expo Auction Friday with 10 packages of semen from their outstanding yearling male Salers, smiles were the order of the day for Joanne, Gerry, Christine and Tammy McGee of Windbec Farms near Richmond.

VOLUNTEER BANK

ACEF MONTRÉGIE-EST

ACEF (Association Cooperative d'économie familiale) Montérégie-Est is a community organization in the Brome-Missisquoi region with a mission to inform, sensitize, and counsel people on budget, debt and consumer issues. The group is presently seeking bilingual volunteers to join its board of directors.

Skills: No experience is necessary, but some management skills would be desirable.

When: New board members are elected at the Monday, Oct. 15 annual general meeting.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Annie Riendeau at 450-375-1443.

CLC SEEKS HELP

The CLC (Community Learning Centre) in Bury is seeking volunteers.

- Volunteers are needed once a week for a half hour to re-shelve books, sign out books, and call people about returning books. Volunteers may work either during the day or in the evening.

- Computer-savvy people are needed to run the Internet Café Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Experience with Mac computers is required.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Nancy Beattie at 819-570-7255 or beattien@etsb.qc.ca.

ON VOLUNTEERING

"The place to improve the world is first in one's own heart and head and hands, and then work outward from there."

- Robert M. Pirsig, *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance*
(Source Charity Village)

ABOUT THE VOLUNTEER BANK

The Volunteer Bank is an initiative of Townshippers' Association and was created as a result of a need expressed by English speakers to become more involved in their community, as well as to provide English-speaking volunteer support to community groups and organizations. Townshippers' Association is a non-partisan, non-profit organization serving the English-speaking community in the Eastern Townships.

Do you have a special talent, skill, or service you would like to provide on a volunteer basis? Is your group or organization looking for a few good volunteers? If so, contact Evelina Smith, coordinator of Townshippers' Association's Volunteer Bank at 819-566-2182 (toll free 1-877-566-2182), info@townshippers.qc.ca, or George Courville, coordinator of Partners for Health & Social Services - Townships-Montérégie Network at 450-263-4422 (toll free 1-866-263-4422), gc@townshippers.qc.ca.

Weather

Today: Rain at times heavy. High 13.

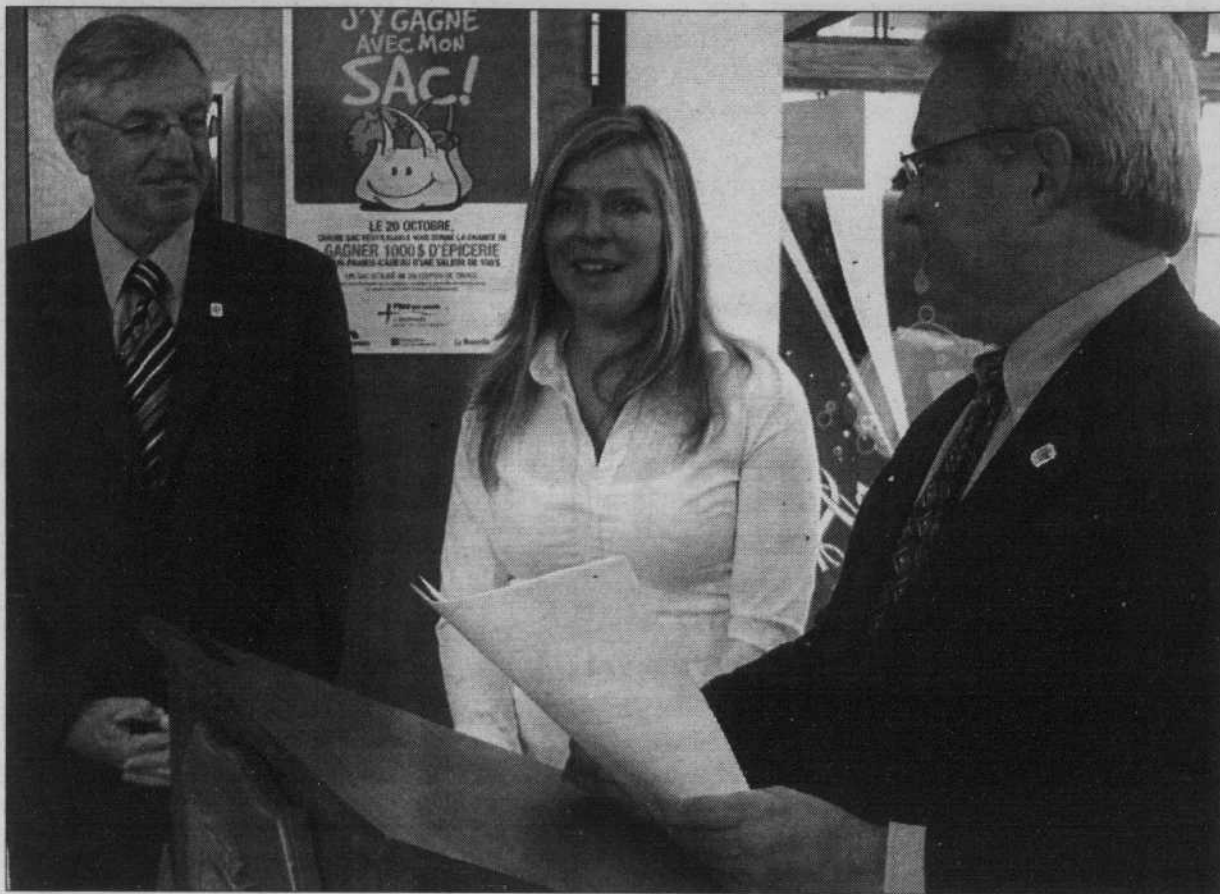
Friday: Rain. Low 11. High 13.

Saturday: Periods of rain. Low 6. High 8.

Sunday: Periods of rain. Low plus 2. High 8.

Ben by Daniel Shelton





PERRY BEATON

Sherbrooke Mayor Jean Perrault, bag buster Jolianne Poulin-Latulippe, and city councillor Jean-François Rouleau.

Just say no to plastic, mayor asks

Do you need 350 bags?

By Rita Legault
SHERBROOKE

The City of Sherbrooke has launched a contest to encourage residents to stop using plastic grocery bags. Mayor Jean Perrault and councillor Jean-François Rouleau, the chairman of Sherbrooke's sustainable development committee, announced yesterday that the first edition of "Journée sans sacs en plastique" will take place Saturday, Oct. 20 in participating grocery stores and markets.

"The goal of this day is to raise awareness among the population of the importance of using reusable grocery bags," said Perrault. "It's an easy thing to do and it will have a positive impact on the environment."

The 7th edition of La Semaine québécoise de réduction des déchets will be held from Oct. 15 to 21, and aims to encourage Quebecers to become responsible consumers, noted Perrault, "and here is a simple and concrete gesture to eliminate garbage at the source."

Perrault said that it takes 20 seconds to make a plastic bag that is used for an average of about 20 minutes, and it then takes 600 years to decompose. He said with Quebecers using an average of some 350 plastic bags a year, that's not good news.

It is estimated that between 1.4 and 2.7 billion bags end up in landfills every year, said Perrault, adding that those that end up at garbage sorting centres are a hazard because they end up stuck in conveyor belts

and reduce the value of other recyclable plastics.

Rouleau said that reusable bags are catching on. But despite efforts, some people are still hesitating to adopt cloth bags, or continually forgetting them in the car.

"So we had to act," he said.

In order to encourage Sherbrooke consumers to adopt reusable grocery bags, the city has organized the J'y gagne avec mon sac! contest on Oct. 20.

For each and every reusable grocery bag, or reusable grocery box, shoppers use that day, they will receive a coupon for a draw for \$1,000 in groceries or one of 25 gift baskets valued at \$100 apiece.

Additionally, volunteers from Action Saint-François and students from the University of Sherbrooke's environmental programs will be on hand to answer questions.

Rouleau said grocery stores were quick to join the effort. The contest is also sponsored by Cascades, Caisse Desjardins de Sherbrooke East and *La Nouvelle*.

Mayor Perrault said he hopes the contest will encourage Sherbrooke shoppers to adopt new environmentally friendly habits and reward those who are already using reusables.

More than two dozen stores are participating in the contest including Délices des Nations on Belvédère North; the IGAs and IGA Extras on chemin Saint-Élie, Saint-Joseph, King East, Galt West and King West; Le marché de la Gare on Minto; the Marché Végétarien markets on

Plastic bags to disappear

STAFF
SHERBROOKE

The Sherbrooke Maxi & Co store will become the first grocery and general merchandise retailer in Quebec to eliminate traditional plastic bags — and paper bags — at the checkouts.

This location will be the third Loblaw banner store to go bagless, the corporation announced in a press release on Wednesday.

In April, Loblaw Companies Limited, which owns Provigo and Maxi in Quebec, made a commitment to keep 1 billion plastic grocery bags from ending up in Canada's landfills within one year.

Reducing the amount of plastic grocery bags offered in stores, and offering more sustainable choices, will help achieve this goal, the company said. Currently, Canadians use about 10 billion plastic bags per year.

"As the largest grocery retailer in Quebec and Canada, we have a duty to help reduce the quantity of waste in our communities," said Galen Weston, the company's executive chairman.

"Customers of Maxi & Co in Sherbrooke are responding well to the reusable bag and box proposal. In fact, the Sherbrooke area has the highest level of bag reuse within the Quebec network," he added. "This helped persuade us to operate this store free from traditional plastic bags distributed at the checkouts and to work with our customers to make a positive step towards a greener environment."

Loblaw's spokeswoman Josée Bédard said paper bags will also be eliminated at the Maxi. The goal, she said, is to encourage customers to employ reusable bags and reduce the number of traditional grocery bags that end up in landfills.

Customers can bring back their plastic bags for reuse, however, without fear of censure.

The measure will be implemented in the Sherbrooke Maxi & Co as of February 2008. Meanwhile, a communications plan will encourage customers to reuse bags and boxes.

With the launch of reusable bags at Loblaws, Provigo and Maxi stores, customers are being further encouraged to use them with a 5 cent per bag rebate.

Additionally, customers can also use green boxes, which have been designed to be inserted into store grocery carts and replace the equivalent of 3 to 5 traditional grocery bags.

Jacques-Cartier Nord and King East; Marché Prospect (AXEP); Maxi et Cie on Portland; the Metro grocery stores on King East, Boulevard Bourque, King West, King East, and Galt West; the Provigo stores on Belvédère South, 13th Avenue and Queen Street in Lennoxville; as well as the Super C stores on Portland King Est and Belvédère South.

The grand prize winner will be able to spend their \$1,000 winnings at any participating grocery store or market. Each store will draw a \$100 gift basket at the end of the day for their customers.

Tafi, Sherbrooke's fair trade boutique downtown on Wellington Street, will sell reusable bags at a 25 per cent discount on Oct. 20.



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launched that makes Pair accessible to all residents in the Memphrémagog MRC.

"It is good for my feeling of security," Lester said. "I know if I get hurt and can't get to the phone, someone will come."

Pair works by dialing its subscribers at a predetermined time. The subscriber answers the phone, indicating that all is well. If the recipient doesn't answer, police are dispatched to check on the person.

Calls can be registered in both English and French.

The program is aimed at, but not limited to, seniors and those who live with a spouse or family member dependent on them for care.

It's free and provided through the Memphrémagog police and Desjardins Caisse de Lac-Memphrémagog and Caisse de Stanstead.

"It's a wonderful program," Lester said, glad to know that if something happens to her, someone will know to take care of her cat.

Lester said that both her sons live a long way from Stanstead and speaking to them on the phone once a week isn't enough to ensure her safety if something were to happen.

One morning, Lester recalls, she forgot about Pair and left her home early to take her car in for repairs. When they were unable to get in touch with her, the service contacted her neighbour to make sure everything was okay.

"They were quite insistent making sure I was all right," Lester said.

Lester is one of the more autonomous seniors who benefit from Pair, given she can still drive her car to do daily errands or get to the doctor, but seniors faced with mobility issues have a harder time accessing the health care they need.



SARAH ROGERS

From left to right: Charlotte St-Pierre and Monica Lester, both members of the Pair program, next to Lynn Wood from Stanstead's R.H. Rediker Volunteer Centre.

Régie de police de Memphrémagog spokesman Paul Tear said the program, which has existed locally since 1994, reaches out to some 50 seniors, although they estimate about 1,000 more could benefit.

"We want this to become a good, familiar resource for the community," Tear said at a press conference in Magog yesterday.

The Memphrémagog police admit it

has been difficult to publicize the program, despite the fact that it's free.

In Stanstead, Lynn Wood is Pair's representative from the R.H. Rediker Volunteer Centre. She said that it complements several of the other programs offered to seniors throughout the region, including Meals and Wheels and homecare services.

Pair operates in more than 200 communities across the province, includ-

ing in Sherbrooke and Granby.

Anyone interested in Pair can call their local volunteer centre, or contact Paul Tear with the Memphrémagog police at 819-843-3334.

Or, the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre at 450-292-3114; Carrefour du Partage Magog at 819-843-8138; and R.H. Rediker Stanstead at 819-876-5611.



JESSICA BROWN

Mario Dumont with Waterloo Mayor Pascal Russell.

ADQ:

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Yamaska Chamber of Commerce. "We've won over many municipalities."

Dumont is on a quick tour of the province mustering up support before the parties go back to work at the National Assembly.

"Between now and Christmas," he said, "We will have permanent party offices established here." The sweeping wins of the ADQ in the spring election, in which it went from a handful of seats to the Official Opposition, meant few of the unexpected riding winners had offices established.

The ADQ grabbed two seats in the Townships, one in Shefford (held by François Bonnardel) and one in Drummond (Sebastien Schneeberger).

"We are trying to listen to the population and present our economic vision," said Dumont. "We want to keep business in the province." Dumont blamed a lack

of leadership when it comes to keeping big companies from leaving the province or being sold into foreign ownership, referring specifically to Bell being taken over by the Ontario Teachers Pension Plan and Alcan being bought by the English Rio-Tinto.

Dumont also promised to do more for the ailing manufacturing industry in the area. "The speed in which manufacturers are declining in Quebec is not normal," he said. "Manufacturers have a future but they need a government strategy, they need training for those who will take over and they need diversity in their exports."

The ADQ leader said the province needs an economic overhaul before the manufacturing sector completely falls to pieces.

Dumont ended his day in Sherbrooke at a \$175-per-person dinner preceded by a fundraising cocktail, for which top-tier tickets sold for \$500, with a maximum of 30 available.

North Hatley fire chief is gone

Reasons unknown

By Jen Young
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

It's no secret that there has been turmoil plaguing the North Hatley fire department, but what is being kept a secret is why fire chief Randy Kent was fired earlier this month.

North Hatley Mayor Stephane Doré did not return *The Record's* many telephone calls on the matter. Doré is also president of the RIPI, the Régie inter-municipale de protection contre les incendies; the decision was made at its meeting.

Over the past few months it has been clear during regular North Hatley council meetings that residents are concerned about a supposed controversy among the 20-some smokeys. But councillors have refused to publicly discuss the issue.

During the September council meeting, one resident asked what was going on with the local station and its men, which was met with a referral to the RIPI for all information. At that time, Doré was on holiday and could not be reached.

Council has admitted a "miscommunication" between the chief and the department's director Mike McKenna, who was hired in May, but no further details have been released.

McKenna did not return *The Record's* telephone calls. North Hatley director Leonard Castagner said all had been ordered to direct questions pertaining to the situation to Doré, and *The Record* was unable to contact Kent.

Castagner refused to go into details, but he did say that since Kent was relieved of his duties the town has received two resignations from fellow fire fighters.

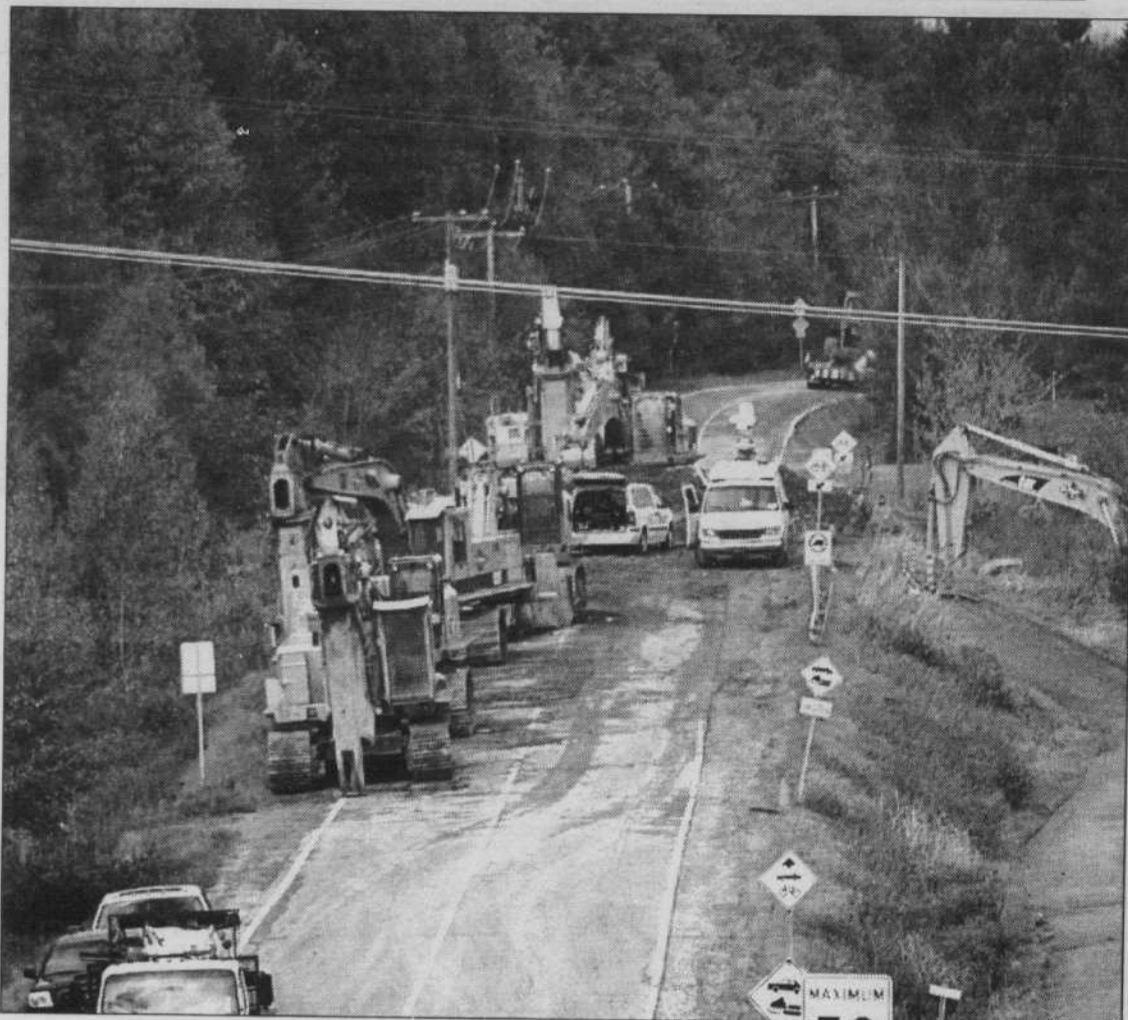
"We'll cross that bridge when we get to the water," he said after being asked if the town was expecting more resignations.

Twenty-one-year-old firefighter Chris Smith says that he has no intentions of quitting.

"I have no idea what's going to happen. I'm just going to roll with the punches," said the fourth year fire fighter. "I don't want to quit. I don't know the whole story, I just try and do my job."

Though no one would admit it, in the worst case scenario, if too many fire-fighters resign the town will have no choice but to depend on outside departments to take care of fire related emergencies, which comes with a price tag that the town and taxpayers would have to cover.

All Gone Now



SARAH ROGERS

A section of Highway 10 in Magog was closed in both directions on Tuesday night to allow for the demolition of the Chemin Roy bridge, pictured. The structure, which spanned the highway since 1965, was designated as unstable by the Quebec ministry of transport earlier this year. The bridge is meant to be rebuilt in spring 2008 at a cost of \$3 million.

BRIEFS

Thetford Mines museum gets extra federal cash

The federal government announced funding of \$15,633 Wednesday to upgrade exhibit rooms at the Thetford Mines Mineralogy and Mining Museum.

The money, from the department of Canadian Heritage, is meant to be used to improve climate controls in exhibition rooms to help with the conservation of objects on display.

"This will bring the museum closer in line with the museology standards required by certain Canadian collections, which cannot, as yet, be accommodated," said museum director François Cinq-Mars.

The funding is in addition to financial support of more than \$170,000 already provided to the Thetford Mines Mineralogy and Mining Museum through various Canadian Heritage programs.

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Community Forum

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Literacy lobby

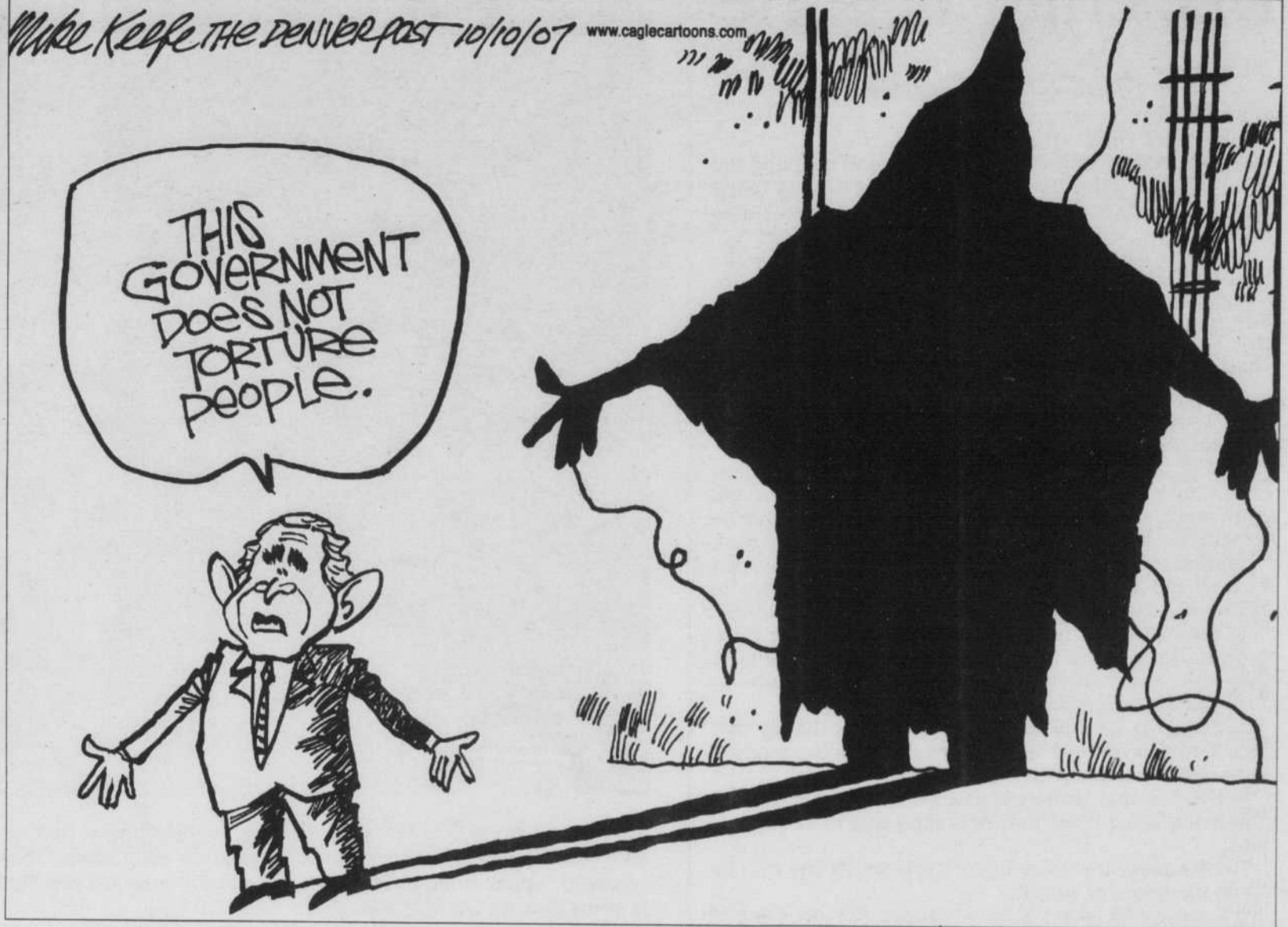
DEAR EDITOR

In the fall of 2006, the federal government announced cuts totaling nearly \$18 million for literacy programs, including \$5 million allocated to Quebec based programs. In response, Quebec literacy organizations formed a coalition and demanded that Ottawa restore literacy funding at the local and regional levels.

The coalition's numerous letters and requests for a meeting with the then Human Resources Minister Diane Finlay and with her successor Monte Solberg went unanswered. However, the coalition's cause has been supported by the opposition parties. The Quebec education minister is also sympathetic to the coalition.

One year after the cuts, the Canadian government announced a budget surplus of \$13.8 billion. Despite this surplus, the federal government's policy/action on literacy is characterized by improvisation and lack of vision. Funding is short-term, without continuity, yet improving literacy levels requires a continuous effort over the long-term.

The literacy situation is worrisome: 1.3 million Quebecers, including 800,000 between the ages of 16 and 64, have very limited reading abilities. The cuts directly affect local and regional programs aimed at recruiting learners. Two years from now, there will be no more learners in literacy classes — not because they will all have learned to read, write, and count, but because local and regional organizations will no longer be able to reach them.



Undaunted, the 18 founding coalition members intervene across Quebec in areas such as promotion, research, pedagogical development and training, working with learners in classrooms and workshops, in the workplace, with families, in French and in English. The coalition will use this rich and diverse perspective to build a common vision and strategies for developing literacy in Quebec.

Individuals with poor reading and writing skills are at a greater risk of having a low income, a losing proposition for both the individual and society. According to a report by TD Bank, Canada is losing billions of dollars because of low literacy: "The Canadian economy could enjoy a \$32-billion boost if literacy rates were improved by only one per cent." According to the report, the return on investment for literacy is almost

three times more than that of investment in machinery, equipment and other physical capital. Investing in literacy is an investment for the whole society.

JOANNIE TANNENBAUM
Literacy Volunteers of Quebec
Knowlton
and 17 other groups

Scary mail

DEAR EDITOR

Is rural letter delivery hazardous? (Oct. 4 *Record*) I think not.

When you drive on the highway everybody is in danger. Some people drive crazy (no place to go and in a hell of a hurry to get there).

I grew up on Route 143 and lived there till 1980; now I live on Route 222. Both highways are very busy and no mail carrier has had an accident yet to my knowledge.

Canada Post's Lise Brien says it is not a service cut and you have more security with the locked boxes. I have yet to lose any mail out of my box. She also said Canada Post has hired an outside committee to study the problem. I wonder how many rural people are on that committee.

I have had to replace my mailbox three times in the last 27 years and it is seven feet from the asphalt. I would be very happy to put my mailbox in the yard, then the carriers [could do] the same as in the city, after all we pay the same taxes and we don't have the benefits of living there. Give the carriers flashy trucks like they have in Sherbrooke with their bright red colours and flashing lights.

WARREN ROSS
Sherbrooke

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Driving lesson No. 1

Get a grip

We've pretty much all agreed that I won't teach the kids how to drive. There would be too much yelling, too great a risk of stroke. It would end in tears, probably mine.

Consequently, this past weekend, I stayed in the way-back seat when our eldest took the wheel of the van to drive the family to the orchard, her first outing on the highway.

I will not comment on her driving. That would be unfair. I will say, though (and this is no reflection on her driving skills) that as she hit 90 km/h for the first time in her short driving career, every muscle in my body went tense, braced for imminent collision — as if gripping the neighbouring headrest would have had any impact on, well, impact.

Aside from barking "Brake! Brake!" a couple of times and laughing nervously when we kind of got sort of a little tiny bit too close to the gravel shoulder, I pretty much kept my mouth shut. I let Deb do the instructing from the front seat, so calm, so confident. Well, yeah, sure; she had an airbag!

So what exactly is my role? My role in driving instruction, I figure, is to offer sarcasm: making "trapped in terror" faces out the window as we pass the neighbours; rushing out of the van and kissing the ground when we come to a halt; declaring solemnly that from now on I'm going to appreciate every precious moment of life; that sort of thing.

Is this actually helpful? Not instructional, certainly, but I think mockery is an important part of learning humility behind the wheel.

A vehicle, after all, is a huge responsibility, fraught with grave risk, not least of which is dealing with obnoxious passengers.

Learning to drive is a rite of passage not just for children but for parents. It contradicts practically every prior child-rearing principle. For years, we shooed them away from stairs, made them wear bike helmets, told them not to date boys with tattoos. Then when they turn 16, we let them loose in a couple of tons of cruising steel. It's like never letting your child play with sharp objects and giving her a chainsaw for Christmas.

But we do it because it has to be done. We look suspiciously on people who can't drive, like people who don't drink coffee or who've never seen Star Wars.

And there really is no other way to learn to drive than to actually drive. Instruction manuals aren't going to let you get the feel of the vehicle, keep things pointed in the right direction, develop confidence that the other vehicles HEADING STRAIGHT FOR YOU aren't going to clip off your side-view mirror. You have to learn to brake. I said "brake!" Brake now!

My father, ever the calm instructor, taught all four of his kids how to drive. Phase one took place at the cottage, which had broad grassy spaces with only the occasional child or pet. Come to think of it, though, the fields were edged by steep cliffs, so maybe this wasn't such a good idea.

Nonetheless, we survived. In my case, there was only one minor injury:

Dad was teaching me how to reverse. I had seen this done before and had an idea of the preferred technique. You swung your right arm over the back of the seat and looked over your shoulder as you backed up. Smooth. After all, it's not just important to drive well but you should look good doing it.

Dad, beside me in the passenger seat, said, "Okay. Put your foot on the brake, put it in reverse, then back up slowly."

I put my foot on the brake, shifted into reverse and swung my arm back. And punched my dad in the face.

And there you have one more reason why I'm staying in the way-back seat.



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Showing Their Stuff



PERRY BEATON

Wood-working artist Alain Poirier helped spread the word yesterday about Sherbrooke's Place aux savoir faire d'ici event, to be held at the Marché de la Gare on Sunday, Oct. 14 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. It will showcase the work of Mont-Bellevue borough artists.



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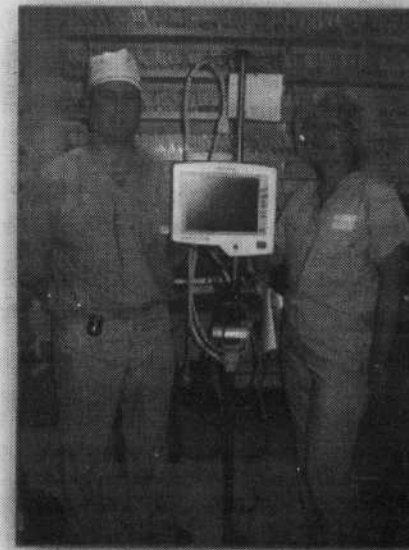
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Daniel Lacombe and Manon Marsolais of Granby (flanked by Gemo's Serge Bernier on the left and, at right, M105's Stéphane Roy) were the winners of a \$10,000 prize in a contest held jointly by Granby FM radio station M105 and Meubles Gemo. The awards ceremony was held Wednesday. Lacombe said that the pair plans to spend part of the money on a honeymoon trip down south and as for the rest: "It's easy to spend \$10,000 today."

BRIEF

Protecting that driveway

The city of Sherbrooke has released the dates that residents of different boroughs are permitted to put up temporary shelters for their vehicles over the wintertime.

- In Rock Forest: Oct. 15 to May 1
- Brompton: Oct. 15 to April 15
- Brompton Township: Nov. 1 to April 15
- Saint-Elie, Deauville, Fleurimont, Stoke Township and Lennoxville: Oct. 15 to April 15.

The Living Room kicks off campaign

For teens in crisis

By Jessica Brown
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
COWANSVILLE

"We need to raise \$36 thousand dollars," said Isabelle Tardif of the Living Room project. "That will help us furnish and set up the home so we can open our doors, as we planned, for January 2008."

The youth home will be the first of its kind in the Brome-Missisquoi region, and is to become a temporary place to stay for young people in crisis, and this latest fundraising campaign was launched Wednesday.

Teens between 12 and 17 years old, who find themselves in difficulty at home, could get a break — in English or French — at Espace Vivant/ Living Room in Cowansville for up to a month. During that time, they will get 24/7 help in the form of counselling, crisis management, study aid and assistance in the job market, if needed.

Well-known physician William Barakett has agreed to act as spokesman for the financial campaign, despite his already busy schedule. "I couldn't refuse," said Barakett. "I see troubled youth every day and am an outspoken critic of drugs in our society. Youth problems have always existed, but never like today. Problems are much worse now."

Barakett is referring to the high rate of drug usage among teens and the lack of parental support he often sees in his practice. According to statistics, 40 per

cent of 14-year-olds have smoked pot and more and more 12-year-olds have tried it as well. "With so many parents now lacking the moral force to deal with their own problems, they simply can't always provide the necessary help for their children."

Espace Vivant/ Living Room will be located on Hanson street, just down the street from Massey-Vanier High School. That means teens can continue at school and with their activities. Until now, troubled youth were often sent to St. Hyacinthe or Longueuil for help. The nine-room house is in its final stages and it is supposed to be completed by Nov. 1. However furnishings and making it homey remain to be done. Donations of money and materials are being accepted. "Imagine what you have in your home," said Tardif, "then you will understand what we need here."

The home will be staffed by professionals and volunteers and will be a



The Living Room crew.

JESSICA BROWN

front line service, aiming at preventing more serious problems before they occur and encouraging young people to go back to their own family setting when their stay is over.

To make a donation, call Marie-Helene Plante at 450-293-3622 ext. 295 or George Courville at 450-263-4422.

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Paramedic Justin Dewey tries to alleviate some of the fears that seniors may have and help them understand the concept of early recognition and what to do in the event of a health emergency.

BRIEFS

CIBC fights breast cancer

The Stanstead Branch of the CIBC has raised \$2,820.22 for the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation.

In its company's entirety, Canadian CIBC employees have raised \$26,500,000.

Spaghetti supper, too

The fundraising continues for the Stanstead Branch of the CIBC with a spaghetti supper being planned at Pizzeria Steve with the employees acting as waitresses for the event.

When purchasing the tickets (\$12), you will have the option of three settings — at 5 p.m., 6 p.m. or 7 p.m. to accommodate the 50-seat limitation of this local restaurant. You may purchase your ticket at the local CIBC branch or at the door during the event on Tuesday, Oct. 16.

Bursary application

There is still time to get your application in for one of the bursaries to be presented to students in the area who wish to continue their education. To seek more details, contact Ursula Ruf at 819-876-7326.

Bursaries will be presented at the annual I.O.D.E. (Order of the Daughters of the Empire) Bazaar to be held on Oct. 20 at Centenary Church between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

- Nancy Nourse

Deciding between 9-1-1 and the clinic

Who you gonna call?

By Nancy Nourse
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Paramedic Justin Dewey paid a visit to the CAB Rediker on Tuesday to advise local seniors as to when it is necessary to call 9-1-1 and when it is preferable to call the CLSC.

Dewey is a member of the Stanstead Ambulance team and he noted that while the locally based service technically owns two trucks, they only have a working permit for one to be on the road at a time.

The reason for this is a lack of funding — the cost of each permit is \$100,000 per vehicle, regardless of the level of need within the area. He

went on to explain that Stanstead Ambulance employees are on a 7 days on, 14 days off shift, 24-7, unlike those working in the Magog area whose shifts may vary between a 12-, 10- or 8-hour tour of duty.

The Stanstead service also encompasses Stanstead East, Barnston West, Ogden, Fitch Bay and Georgeville.

"The results of a recent symposium reinforced our desire to become even more involved within the community," said Dewey. "We are looking for ways to give back to the communities that we serve. The recent partnership that we have formed with the CAB Rediker is just the first step in our plans."

He said his service already offers CPR courses through CAB Rediker at

\$5 a session, which is subsidized by the ambulance group itself (the actual course costs \$90).

"We will also be offering three or four more conferences, relating to health issues this season."

Paramedic Bruno Roy will be in on Thursday (today) to address the French-speaking seniors' group. "In the near future, you will be hearing even more from us," said Dewey.

The paramedic then explained what he refers to as the key to survival — The Chain of Life: related to the 9-1-1 emergency service versus the CLSC. He also discussed what it takes to have a successful life — how to make healthy choices and to learn early recognition of the depth of an emergency situation.

The earlier that you begin to embark on a healthy diet, the less chance you have that your heart will be affected by the damaging effects of cholesterol, he said. Cholesterol can begin to affect your heart as early as 30. In cases of people with existing heart problems, it is still wise to think about making healthy choices, learn early recognition of health problems and CPR. The early use of CPR can mean the difference between life and death — he said a 10 per cent chance of surviving a heart attack compares to an 80 per cent chance with early CPR attempted.

Dewey went on to explain that he has seen many changes during his

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And it goes to the chop shop and disappears

Piece by piece

One evening in the Stanstead Legion I ran into a neighbour who lives a few houses down the street from me. Paul was obviously in a somber mood.

"Hi Dave. Got a question for you. Did you hear anyone prowling around your place last Thursday night?" he said.

"No, can't say I heard anything. Why do you ask?"

Paul went on to tell me that someone had made off with the tailgate from his parked pick-up truck overnight. It was quite clear that the thief or thieves were only targeting his truck. They had left behind the \$300 gas barbecue only a few feet away. Not to mention some nearby lawn furniture.

After discovering the theft the next

day, Paul telephoned the Sûreté du Québec to report his truck's stolen tailgate. The SQ filed a report and suggested that he contact his auto insurance company to see if his policy covered the robbery. It definitely left Paul in an understandably angry disposition, wondering why bandits would single out his pick-up truck to commit their dastardly deed.

I reminded Paul that many outlaws who steal auto parts are part of a bigger gang of thieves that belong to an organized crime ring. If they're not ripping off someone's car parts, they're preying on everything else from luxury automobiles to expensive motorcycles. The vehicles usually end up in a chop shop where they're dismantled and the parts are sold on the illegal market. Paul's

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truck was stripped of its tailgate for more or less the same reason.

Like myself, I'm sure readers out there can sympathize with Paul's plight. Like any other community, Stanstead is not immune to senseless petty crime such as this. I have heard countless stories over the years of Stanstead car owners finding their vehicles tampered with and robbed of everything from wheel covers to windshield wiper blades. If it's only a bunch of bored hooligans or professional car thieves breaking the law, they all deserve the same fate. They should be prosecuted and thrown behind bars.

"When I saw what they did to my truck, I could have cried. All the hours of time I've spent making it look in mint condition. And now some imbe-

ciles pull this. Now I have to replace my tailgate and hope my insurance premiums don't skyrocket," Paul said.

Honest and hard working citizens like Paul needn't be victims to callous culprits who have no scruples. Take it from me, Paul's truck is well maintained and a road-worthy vehicle that he has always taken pride in. It's his own personal property and no one has a right to deprive him of the joy and satisfaction it brings to him.

The ever philosophical Paul tried to put a positive spin on his situation.

"Without my tailgate, it'll be a lot easier to lose whatever load I have in the back of my pick-up. I always wanted to get rid of my wife's whirlpool...." he muttered.

9-1-1:

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years as a paramedic regarding the "correct way" to give CPR.

A board of 16 doctors meets every four years to discuss and update the guidelines. It is now no longer deemed necessary to offer both breath and compression manoeuvres, depending on the case at hand. Techniques have even been developed that can enable a person with the use of only one hand or arm to successfully help someone in need.

A call to 9-1-1 is necessary if the decision has been taken that you or a loved one is suffering from a dangerous health condition that requires emergency transport by ambulance which has access to specialized equipment to further help a person whose life is in danger. A call to Info-Santé (the service that takes over when your local CLSC is closed) can offer advice and resource information but can only be of help on an instructional level.

And the expertise you can get from Info-Santé is only as good as the information that you are able to give to whom you are speaking. Anyone who answers the medical line has been trained to handle stress and giving out information. Info-Santé is also the place to call if you are in an abusive relationship, a child who is



Hard to do, but try to prepare to call 9-1-1.

babysitting and needs a bit of advice, or you are looking for resource information of any kind.

The job of a 9-1-1 operator is to assess the degree of emergency.

Paramedics notified about specific details arrive at a scene better prepared and with the equipment that will be needed.

Paramedic Dewey wanted folks to know that there were things that they could do while waiting. Some-

one could be outside to signal the ambulance where to go. Turn on the outside lights — even in the daytime, and make sure that the civic number is visible ("We can't help you if we can't find you!" said Dewey).

Other things include clearing a path to the patient, tying up pets so they won't get in the way, unlocking doors, having medical and hospital cards ready and a listing of medications and allergies.

breathing. Do not hang up... let the operator tell you when it is okay to hang up the phone.

Knowledge is power and an understanding of early warning signs is key. The local CLSC number is 819-876-7521 or if this establishment is closed you may access the Magog CLSC which is set up within La Providence Hospital at 819-843-2572.

One thing that Dewey wanted to stress is that if there was any change in the patient's situation to call 9-1-1 back; the paramedics may to re-evaluate the way in which they must respond.

Do not move the patient unless their location is dangerous.

Before making the call to 9-1-1, you should take a deep breath to calm yourself.

It is preferable to make the call from a cordless phone so that you can be close to the patient, get out your first-aid kit, know the address and be able to give the location by naming intersecting roads. You'll want to give out the phone number of where you are calling from and the phone number of the person with the health issue, whether the person is awake or not, and whether he is

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How Magog went from tiny village to a real city

Industrial history

By Nancy Nourse
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

The second in the fall series of lectures being offered by the Stanstead Historical Society will feature historian, researcher and author Serge Gaudreau who will speak, in French, on the birth of Magog.

He'll focus on the years 1880 to 1888 and the beginnings of an industrial town.

For some time now, the Stanstead Historical Society has expressed a desire to develop a stronger and more interactive connection between the residents of Stanstead and the Colby-Curtis Museum. It is with this in mind that they have decided to offer another lecture in French, on Saturday, Oct. 13

at the Colby-Curtis Museum (at 10:30 a.m.). Some may wonder why the society would sponsor a talk on Magog, but the answer is simple: the original boundaries of the Stanstead County region once included both Magog and Coaticook.

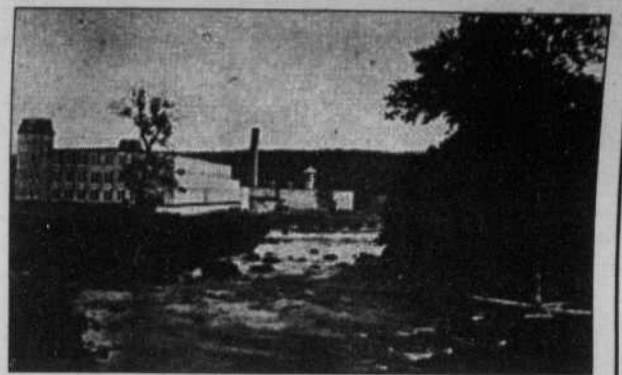
Gaudreau's interest in the history of the Magog's textile industry began some 27 years ago, at such an intensity that he felt the urge to write several books on the subject, including *Au vote!*, about the history of municipal elections in Magog from 1855 to 2005.

Gaudreau has also held the position of secretary for the Historical Society of Magog since 2003. His interest in history has remained consistent, even though his time is fairly well taken up with his work at the University of Sherbrooke, as curriculum co-ordinator and

researcher/editor of several Internet sites, including *Bilan du siècle et Perspectives Monde*.

The industrialization boom of the 1880s was the largest in Magog's history. From a quiet village of 500 habitants, it became an industrial city of more than 2,000 citizens with a bright future, in less than a decade. Using words and pictures, Gaudreau's talk is billed as offering insight into a time when Magog's identity would take the shape it would keep for nearly a century to come.

The lecture/luncheon by Serge Gaudreau will be presented at a cost of \$14 for historical society members and \$20 for non-members. The price includes a light luncheon, a guided tour of the



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Magog Textile and Print Co. in its early beginnings, in 1884.

Colby-Curtis Museum in all its finery as well as two temporary exhibitions: the history of the famous Belmere estate in Georgeville and a collection of vintage quilts from the museum collection. Tickets may be reserved by calling 819-876-7322. Seating is limited.

The next lecture will be by Robert G. Colby on the subject of Willbur Reaser and paintings created for Carrollcroft. This lecture/luncheon will take place on Oct. 20 at 10:30 a.m., also at the Colby-Curtis Museum.

The latest discoveries

Magog contest's top finishers

By Nancy Nourse
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

It has been a busy few months for the contestants in this year's Découvertes de la Chanson de Magog, and when all was said and done, Sarah Bourdon of St. Hyacinthe was one of the top finishers, and awarded \$3,000.

She was named the winner in the category of Author/Composer/Interpretation-18 years-plus. In the category of Interpretation-18 years-plus, it was Alexandre Simpson-Tremblay of Gatineau who ran away with most of the prizes including the top \$3,000 plus Public Favorite (and a further \$1,000) and Media Favorite Rythme FM (\$500).

Mélanie Boulay of New Richmond came away with the title of Interpretation-14 to 17. In addition to that \$1,500 prize, she received several other honours: \$250 from Club Optimiste Magog-Orford and a brand new guitar. She was also presented with a prize on behalf of Oblik Studios valued at \$500.

The personality of Catherine Bessette of Mercier caught the eye of many as she took the title for Interpretation-10 to 13 years old. In addition to the winners' bursary of \$1,500, she also got a shiny new guitar and \$250 bursary from the Club Optimiste of Magog-Orford.

Last weekend marked the finale of this year's competition as the semi-finalists and then the finalists faced off on the stage at Le Vieux Clocher in Magog, following a week of intense workshops keyed to bringing out the best in each competitor.

Other finalists were also chosen to receive honours for their performances. In the category of Author/Composer/Interpretation, Félix-Antoine Vallières of Laval; Pascal Galipeau of Gatineau (Media Favourite) and Marc Pouliot of Quebec (recognized for overall attitude and participation within the competition) were all awarded for their efforts.

Annie Paiement of Montreal was recognized for her



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The winners of Découvertes de la Chanson de Magog 2007: Catherine Bessette, Sarah Bourdon, Mélanie Boulay and Alexandre Simpson-Tremblay.

talented performance in Interpretation 18+. She received a \$700 bursary.

Émilie Allard of St-Basile-le-Grand received the prize for Public Favourite in the 14 to 17 years old category. Myriam Fournier of Brossard was singled out for a bursary in the 10 to 14 years category as was Tania Lapointe-Dupont of Waterville who received the prize for Public Favourite.

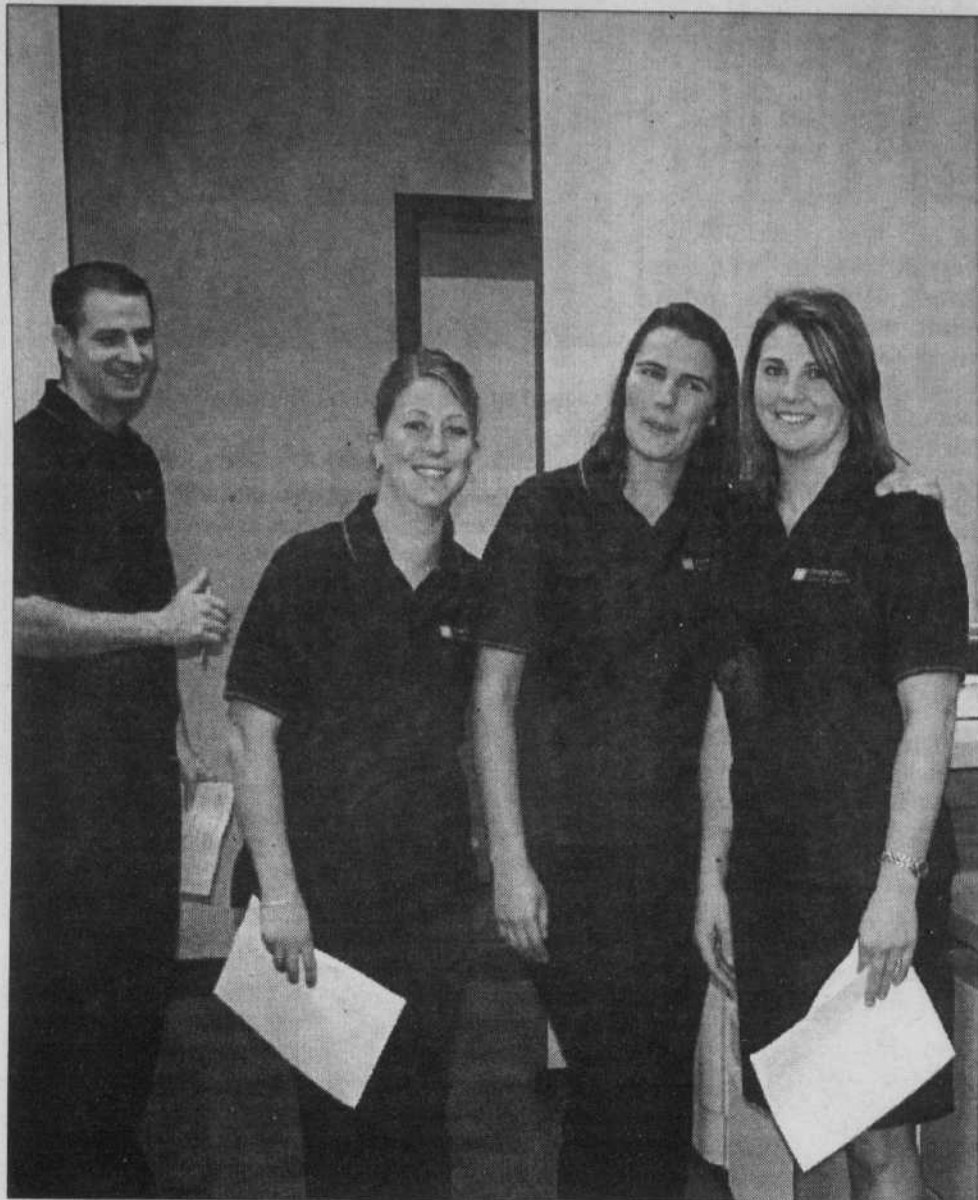
During a press conference it was repeated several times that this group of young people was extraordinarily dynamic both in terms of talent and their choice of material. Even the youngest of the group, Catherine Bessette, told how she had tried to look for songs that were appropriate to her age and experience. Chuckles could be heard around the room as she told of feeling that it would not be realistic for her to sing a song about the love of her life or love gone bad as she is just a bit young yet.

In the case of Alexandre Simpson-Tremblay, he had

participated before in this competition but had not even made the cut for semi-finals. He attributed his current success to the fact that he was now studying music and made an effort to choose material that worked for him, rather than what others might prefer.

Organizer and founder of Découvertes de la Chanson de Magog, Jean Claude Gosselin, commented on how much change he had seen since the competition was created 11 years ago as a venue for young talent to explore music... and themselves. At the beginning, he admitted that he used to get a little frustrated with the fact that all the songs seemed the same, and were much more along commercial lines than the content of the songs that have been chosen in the last few years.

More time and thought is being put into choosing just the right song and adapting it to one's own ability and talent, he said.



NANCY NOURSE

Employees check out the new space.

New Caisse digs promise more privacy

Move complete

By Nancy Nourse
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

It was all smiles for the staff of the Caisse Desjardins of Stanstead as they greeted their clients on Tuesday morning, opening for the first time in their new location on 12 Chemin Fairfax. General Manager Mario Scallon, President Jean Desruisseaux and communications representative Marie-Eve Riendeau gave out souvenir keychains to commemorate the occasion.

A small waiting area situated across from a much larger reception area was decorated with balloons and offered an array of snacks. Each member of the staff was wearing the new polo-style shirt with the Desjardins logo printed on it.

"We are very pleased to finally be in our new surroundings. The artwork that you see displayed are copies of paintings by various artists but we would like to eventually set up a special area where local artists can display their works as well," said Scallon. "People are finding it a bit disorienting when they first come in but we have had very positive commentary from both staff and clientele.

"Privacy was a main concern in planning this new space: the offices

are much farther away from the front area, less disturbances and more individual privacy. In our previous location, the offices were right in front of the tellers' booths which made some people feel ill at ease. Everyone has a right to conduct their business in private," said Scallon.

Individual rooms have been set aside for copy machines and files and have been strategically placed to eliminate the shuffling around that had been endured previously. The rear of the building also contains a large conference room, a small kitchen unit and a technical room. Even the vault area, which previously appeared to be made out of a closet type space, is much more accessible and organized for efficiency.

One of the main reasons that the board of directors decided that it was time to move was the fact that the old ceilings were so low that it made it very difficult to incorporate a proper ventilation/air-conditioning system. Not only was it very warm in the summer but the air was congested in the winter, as well. José Grenier, personal financial advisor, said she was looking forward to the change — it could get quite warm and claustrophobic when four people are trying to do business in a small office for an hour.

Communications Co-ordinator

Marie-Eve Riendeau noted that she was going to enjoy the fact that she actually has an office of her own — something that she had not enjoyed before as she would use whichever one was vacant at the time — not an ideal situation.

"It was a very busy weekend for all of us, especially Thursday evening after we closed for business. We were all given large boxes to pack our individual material into and told to label everything so that it could all be placed in our new offices and items would not be misplaced. There were three members of the staff here most of the weekend but on Monday we all pitched in so that everything would be ready for this morning," added financial planner Lise Duquette.

Manager Scallon went on to say that there would be a larger, more official opening planned for later on in October, allowing the staff enough time to "iron out the kinks".

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BCS football comes up short against Chateauguay

And the soccer scores

By Mike Hickey
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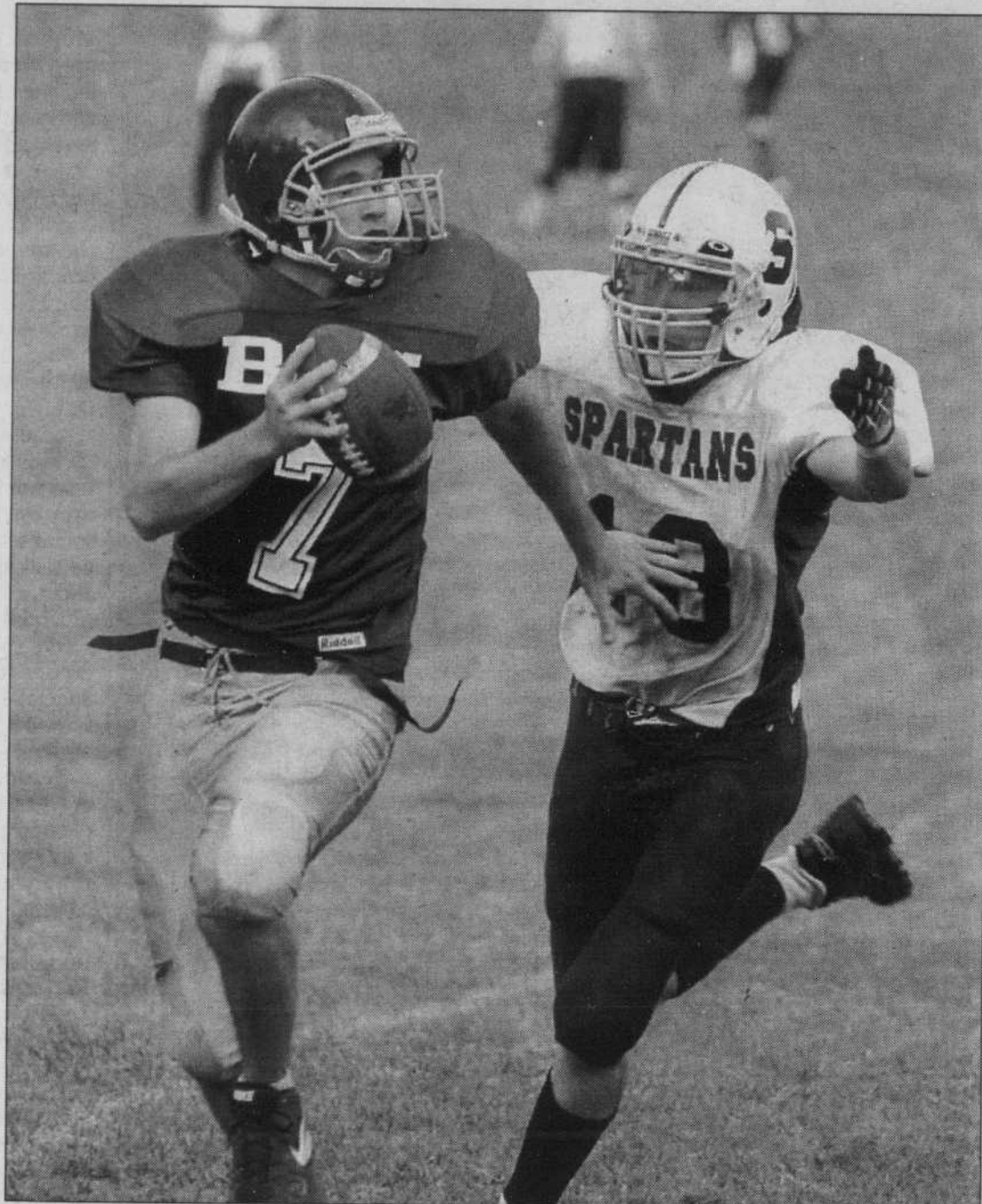
The Bishop's College School senior football team dropped a 22-0 decision to Chateauguay Valley Regional High School in a contest that was much closer than the final score would indicate. CVR's Josh Blair was more than Bishop's could handle as he scored three touchdowns while Graham McIntok rounded out the scoring with three converts and a rouge.

The Alexander Galt senior boys' football team dropped a close 27-19 decision to Trois-Rivières. Steve Evans played his usual strong game at quarterback, tossing a touchdown pass to Jesse Simoneau and converting several third down situations into first down to keep Piper drives alive. Simoneau also caught a touchdown pass from Cameron Davidson on a halfback option while Bobby Fontaine had a rushing major. Defensively, Galt was led by Nico Karadimos who led the team with eight tackles.

The Galt bantam boys' football team jumped out to a 24-0 halftime lead en route to a 32-6 victory over Montée St. Francois. Brandon Wright scored two touchdowns to pace the Pipers while Tim Bowker scored a major and a two point convert. Derek Dugre added a single touchdown and Dave Morin added to converts to round out the Piper scoring.

The Seminaire de Sherbrooke downed the Galt junior football squad 25-15 behind the solid performance of Jasmin Rousseau who scored 11 points for the Barons who held a 15-5 halftime advantage. Patrick Wang and Joey Guarnaccia scored touchdowns for the Pipers.

The Stanstead senior girls' soccer team downed Richmond 8-1 behind the three-goal performance of Kaysi Lachapelle. Ashley Hadlock added two goals to the winning cause while Mori-



Bishop's College School versus the Spartans.

GLEN FAUCHER

ah Hadlock, Celine Picken and Ingrid Ringen rounded out the Viking scoring with a goal apiece. On the senior boys' side, James Grimond scored a pair of goals but it was not enough as the Vikings dropped a 3-2 decision to the Galt Pipers. The Pipers' Marc Andre Thibodeau scored the winning goal at the 68th minute while Alex Quirion and Kohen Doyle scored a goal apiece. The Vikings rebounded with a 2-0 win over Stanstead.

Sophie O'Reilly and Jamie Martin each scored a goal to lead the BSC Crusaders to a 2-0 win over Galt.

SOCCER

BCS also scored two boys soccer wins as the junior boys edged Richmond High School 3-2. Miguel Paulin led the BCS attack with two goals while Alonso Salazar added a single. Jason Bachand and Max Morissette replied for Richmond.

It was another close encounter in bantam boys' soccer as the Crusaders defeated Richmond 2-1. The Massey-Vanier junior boys defeated Stanstead 4-1 as Chad Croteau scored twice and Shayne Crawford and Dylan White added single goals.

The Viking junior girls were also vic-



torious as they beat Richmond 8-1. Sarah Magnone scored twice while Stephanie Boyer, Maria Digaletos, Olivia Robinson and Jessica Hey had a goal apiece. The Viking juniors completed a perfect week as they blanked Stanstead 8-0 as Olivia Robinson and Kyla Steiner had two goals apiece while Gigi Allen, Kristy Bockus, Kayla Chamberlin and Maria Digaletos had a goal apiece.

The Massey-Vanier bantam boys also pitched an 8-0 shutout over Stanstead as Gerald Lafond and Alex McGovern paced the Viking offensive attack with two goals. Lucas Blumenfeld, William Bryson, Jean Sebastien Roy and Matthew St-Pierre scored a goal apiece. The Vikings also defeated Richmond 6-0 as Tyler Murphy and Tyler Robinson scored two goals apiece with Wyatt Laflamme and Gerald Lafond chipping in with single goals. The Massey-Vanier bantam girls split a pair of games last week as they downed Stanstead and Richmond. Haley Matheis and April Picken had a goal apiece in a 2-0 win over Stanstead and the dynamic duo repeated the feat in a 3-2 loss to Richmond.

In an intra-school contest, the Pipers bantam girls' soccer team edged Galt 3-2. Sabrina Rowland Cote tallied two goals and Joanie Viens added a single for the victorious Piper squad while Eliane Wubboltz and Jessica Messier-Dorey replied for Galt. The Pipers continued their ways with a convincing win over BCS. Sabrina Rowland Cote, Emilie Rose Pauw and Lindsey Pinkston each scored a pair of goals while Marina Rousseau, Sophie L'esperance, Mikaela Page and Samantha Holmes chipped in with a goal apiece.

Gaiter teams hit the road this weekend

Football is ranked eighth nationally

By Mike Hickey
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

The highlight of the Bishop's Gaiters Thanksgiving weekend was football's fourth consecutive win, which moved them up a notch to eighth in the Canadian Interuniversity Sport Top 10 poll, and the men's basketball season opener against American International College.

But there was other action on the Gaiter playing fields and there's more to come. Travel is the name of the game this week for the Gaiters, as there is no home action at all.

The football squad travels to Acadia for the last of two interlock games with the Maritimes this season.

The men's basketball squad heads to Montréal for the McGill Invitational, while the women cagers are off to Toronto for the Ryerson Rams Classic. Women's soccer has a pair of away games this weekend, Friday at Université du Québec à Montréal and Sunday at Université du Québec à Trois Rivières, while both rugby teams have away games on Sunday afternoon.

The men travel to ETS, while the women stay in town to visit the Université de Sherbrooke.

Finally, lacrosse continues its Canadian University Field Lacrosse Association schedule with games at Carleton and Queen's. The Gaiters travel to Montréal for the McGill Invitational, and open up the tournament on Friday at 4 p.m. against the Windsor Lancers. They will meet the York Lions Saturday and the host Redmen on Sunday.

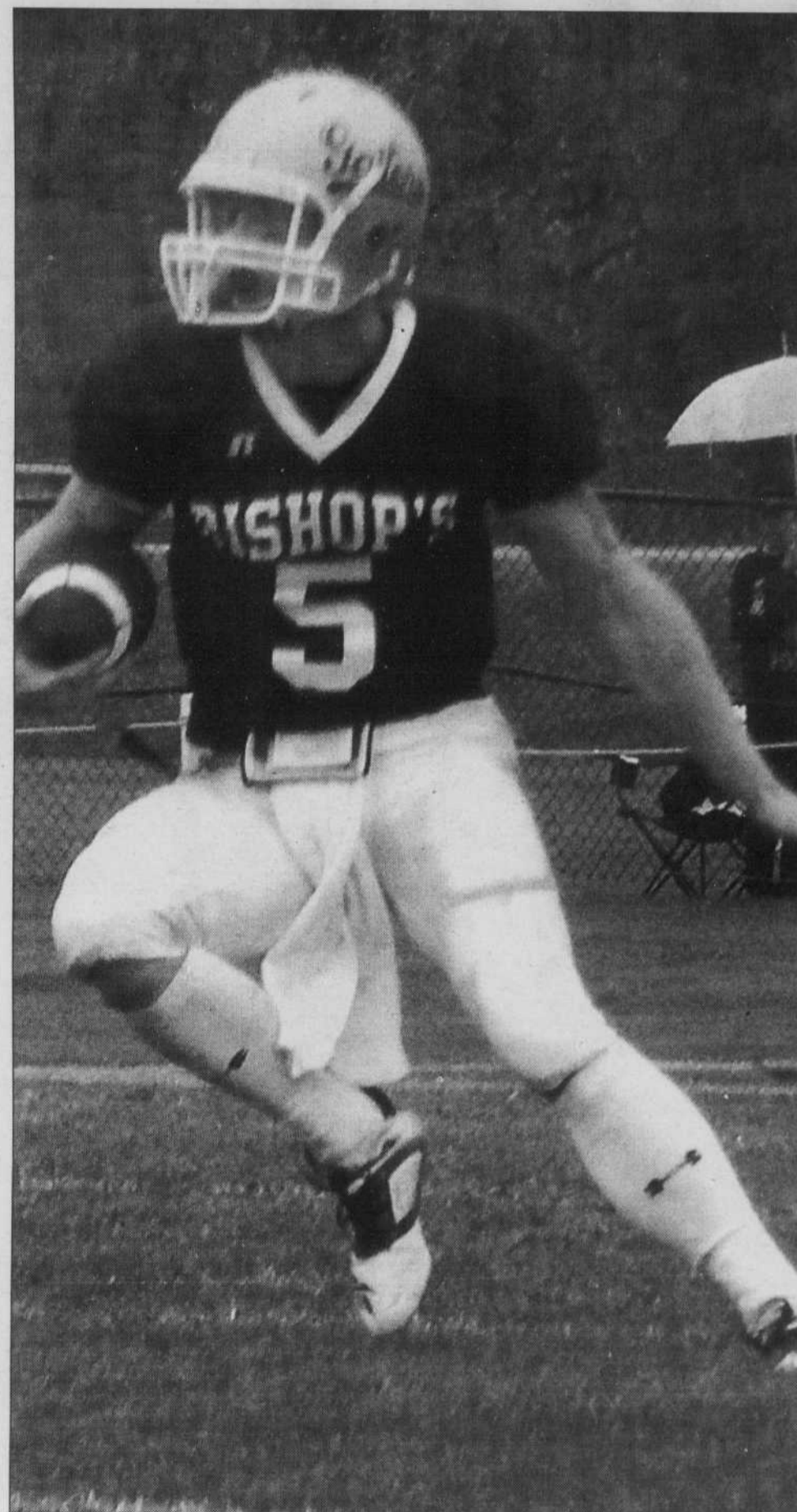
The women open their season Friday night when they take on the Guelph Gryphons at 8 p.m.

Women's soccer finally broke their scoreless drought but still came up empty in two league games last week, including a 5-1 loss to the Sherbrooke Vert & Or, and a 1-0 home loss to UQAM on Thanksgiving Monday.

Richmond native Emily St-Cyr scored in the 88th minute for Bishop's, ending their goal-scoring drought at 572 minutes. The MVP of the game for Bishop's was third-year forward Avalon Henry while Dominique Falardeau took the honours for Sherbrooke.

The Gaiters then suffered a heart-breaking loss on Monday afternoon to the UQAM Citadins on a goal by forward Marianne Desgagnés with 46 seconds remaining in the game. Despite controlling the tempo for most of the match and out-shooting the Citadins 11-7, the Gaiters were held scoreless for the sixth time this season. An apparent goal by Bishop's forward Lisa Wagner midway through the second half was called back due to goaltender interference. As would be expected in a 1-0 game, the MVP honours went to the goalkeepers Evelyn Fleury of UQAM and Bishop's Chelsea-Lyn Aboud.

The men and women's rugby teams found themselves on the wrong end of one-sided affairs. The undefeated McGill Redmen brought their strongest team in years down to Optimist Park on



PERRY BEATON

The football squad is now ranked eighth.

Wednesday, and posted a 55-0 victory. The Redmen scored 28 of their 55 points from Gaiters' errors, and their speed allowed them to maintain possession of the ball throughout the match. The women's rugby squad saw their record fall to 0-5 with a 77-0 defeat at the hands of the undefeated Laval Rouge et Or.

The Gaiters' lacrosse team had only one game last week, losing 11-10 to McGill last Thursday night. The loss marked the first time Bishop's has lost to McGill in lacrosse play. A second-

quarter sag proved fatal for the Gaiters, as a 2-2 first-quarter tie turned into a 7-3 McGill lead at the half. The Gaiters mounted a comeback in the second half, but were unable to make up the full deficit. Andy Barber's five points led the Gaiters, while Jimmy Southall added four points.

Lacrosse is on the road for two games this weekend. On Saturday, they go to Kingston to take on the Queen's Golden Gaels (0-3). On Sunday, the trip moves to Ottawa to face the Carleton Ravens (3-1).

Two make weekly list

U of S, Bishop's

Two Sherbrooke football players, one from the Vert & Or and one from the Gaiters, have been named the Quebec University Players of the Week for the period ending Sept. 30.

The two locals are Pascal Fils of the University of Sherbrooke team, and James Yurichuk of the Bishop's Gaiters.

Fils, a five-foot-ten, 215-pound running back from Montreal, was named the Offensive Player of the Week as he led the Sherbrooke Vert & Or to a 35-19 win over the nationally ranked Concordia Stingers.

The second-year arts major rushed for 259 yards on just 15 carries including a 51-yard touchdown run late in the fourth quarter that allowed Sherbrooke to take a 27-19 lead over Concordia. Fils, who had two carries over 50 yards, also caught a 24-yard pass.

Meanwhile Yurichuk, a six-foot-four, 227-pound linebacker from Brampton, Ontario, was named the Defensive Player of the Week as he recorded 11 solo tackles and four quarterback sacks to lead the Bishop's Gaiters to a 30-25 win over the McGill Redmen. The third-year social science major also had five assisted tackles to finish the afternoon with 13.5 tackles and forced a fumble.

Duane John of the Laval Rouge et Or, a five-foot-seven, 180-pound kick returner from Montreal, was named the Special Team Player of the Week as he scored a key touchdown in Laval's 26-17 win over the Montreal Carabins.

With the number-one ranked Rouge et Or trailing 10-0 in the second quarter of their game, John returned a punt 70 yards for a major that sparked a Laval rally which saw them outscored Montreal 26-7 and kept their perfect season intact. The fifth-year Industrial Relations returned a total of six punts for 102 yards.

Bishop's linebacker Yurichuk was also named a Canadian Interuniversity Sport football player of the week for the period ending Oct. 6. He picks up the defensive award after tallying a game-high 13.5 tackles and a forced fumble as the No. 7 Gaiters edged McGill to improve to 4-1 on the season, marking Bishop's first four-win campaign since 1998. He came within one sack of the Quebec conference single-game record set in 2003 by McGill's Jason Manzano.

Josée Bélanger gets the nod

U of S soccer

Quebec's University Athlete of the week is Université de Sherbrooke Vert & Or soccer player Josée Bélanger.

The 21-year-old kinesiology student is in her second year of studies and was recognized for her work in two games.

Bélanger scored a goal and got an assist on the winning goal in a game against Concordia, and just days before scored once against the Bishop's Gaiters.

She now has collected eight goals for the season and the Vert & Or are second in the soccer league with six wins and two losses.

Your Birthday

Thursday, Oct. 11, 2007

A bit more traveling and moving about in wider circles is indicated for you in the year ahead. Valuable contacts will come out of this, providing benefits for you both socially and commercially.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Although your motives will be totally unselfish in your willingness to help another, chances are you will be the one who ends up gaining the most out of the activity. It pays to be helpful.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — One of your best assets is the ability to manage others without them feeling controlled or even realizing that you're directing them. Instead, they'll perceive your bearing as one of concern.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Don't waste this propitious cycle that you now inhabit on petty activities. It is one that can produce larger-than-anticipated rewards for whatever you do. Engage in something vast.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Salesmanship can be one of your more effective assets. You have the ability to approach your customers without making them feel as if they are being pressured into making a purchase.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Your chart indicates you are now in a prolonged favorable cycle where your financial growth and well-being is concerned. Today might hold witness to this by being another red-letter day.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — You'll let it be known that there is little doubt as to where you stand on a critical issue that affects you and your associates. You will make your stance in no uncertain terms.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — If you need a favor, go to someone you have helped in the past. This person is ready and willing to repay what he or she considers to be a long-overdue obligation that is rightfully owed you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — It's not enough to be a pragmatic visionary; what you envision must be put into practice if you are to be judged as successful. Your expectations can be reached if you follow what you see.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — It may take your efforts and that of another to accomplish something important to you. Don't hesitate to solicit the help of someone you know who would make a dynamic cohort.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Something you did successfully in the past could once again be applicable to your situation. Scan your memory for what worked out, so that you can use it again in this case.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — If possible, try to associate with your more outgoing friends who enjoy doing something with a different twist. You're in a mood to break out of the mold and experiment with the new.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You won't make excuses to get out of anteing up your share of expenses attached to a family activity. In fact, you'll set the example of donating to the cause.

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3 ♥	Pass	6 ♥	All pass
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Thursday, Oct. 11, 2007

Watch the power of eights and nines

By Phillip Alder

Most tricks are won by aces, kings, queens and trumps. But lower cards, even nines and eights, can be valuable too — as in this deal.

You are in six hearts. West leads the spade jack. You win in your hand and draw trumps in three rounds. What would you do next?

Opposite two no-trump showing 21-22 points (or a good 20), North used Stayman, located the 4-4 heart fit, and made a quantitative leap to six hearts.

Declarer cashed his club king and played a club to dummy's ace. East's discard was a blow. But not giving up, South took his other two spade tricks, cashed his club queen, and exited with a club to West's jack. West shifted to a low diamond, and declarer called for dummy's queen. Unlucky — East produced the king and South had to go down.

"I knew it," said South, shaking his head. "Whenever there is mirror distribution (both hands were 3-4-2-4), something bad always seems to happen."

North had seen the sure-trick line, though.

"Partner, hoping for 3-2 clubs can wait. After drawing trumps and cashing your club king, take the other two spade tricks, then play the ace and another diamond. What can the defenders do?"

After a few moments, South said, "Yes, I see. My club eight and nine come into play. If the clubs are 4-1 and the defender with the singleton has the diamond king, he must give me a ruff-and-sluff. And if the defender with the diamond king started with four clubs, he is endplayed. When he returns a club, I play second hand low and pick up the suit without loss."

Death



GARRICK, Henry Charles (1959 - 2007) — Mr. Garrick passed away in Dunham on his beloved farm, that he devoted his life to, on October 7, 2007. Predeceased by his father Charles Gordon Garrick. He leaves to mourn his mother Elizabeth Beauce, his companion Mrs. Carole Cournoyer, his brother and sisters: Sharon, Kathy, Debbie, Cheryl, Gary and their spouses, nieces and nephews, and many dear friends, throughout Canada and the United States. Henry will be honorably remembered for his generosity, love and respect for nature. Family and friends can pay their respect at the Joseph Dion Funeral Home, 215 Rue Rivière, Bedford, QC, Tel.: 450-248-2911 Josephdionfunerals@bellnet.ca Friday October 12, 2007 from 7 to 9 p.m. A service in his memory shall take place outside his home: 4329 Symington Road, Dunham, Saturday, October 13, 2007 at 10 a.m. In his memory donations may be made to the Camp Garagona or the BMP foundation. Forms are available at the funeral home or day of service.

Memorial Service

FISCHLIN, Georges G. Y. - Of Sutton, Quebec, passed away in Knowlton on October 9, 2007. Visitation will take place at Désourdy Wilson Funeral Home (31 Principale Sud, Sutton) on Thursday, October 11, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Memorial Service will be held on Friday, October 12 at 11 a.m. at Grace Anglican Church (52 Principale Sud, Sutton). There will be no visitation on Friday before the service. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer Society of Canada.

Death



HADENKO, Mrs. Dorothée (Gray) - Passed away at Centre de Santé Memphrémagog, on October 5, 2007 at the age of 91 year and 11 month. Beloved wife of the late George Hadenko from Ayer's Cliff. Mrs. Gray leaves to mourn his sister Unest Atkins. She also leaves to mourn many brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, cousins and other relatives and friends. To respect Mrs. Gray last wishes, there will be no visitation. The funeral service entrusted to the Coopérative Funéraire de l'Estrie, 485, 24-juin St., Sherbrooke, QC. J1E 1H1. Mr. Claude Roy (Dir.), Tel.: 819-565-7646, Fax: 819-565-7844 e-mail: info@coopfuneraire.com. Interment will be held on Saturday, October 13, at 1 p.m. in Elmwood Cemetery. The family wishes to thank all the personnel from the Résidences Sanborn for the good care given to Mrs. Gray.

In Memoriams

LOWRY - In loving memory of Vivian, June 10, 2001, our mother, grandmother and great-grandmother; Terry, October 11, 2001, our brother; Elwin, October 19, 2001, our father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

*Beautiful memories are wonderful things
They last till the longest day,
They never wear out, they never get lost,
And can never be given away.
To some you may be forgotten,
To other, a part of the past,
But to us who loved and lost you,
Your memory will always last.
Forever remembered and sadly missed
by
THE LOWRY FAMILY*

WRIGHT - In loving memory of our parents, Charles Wright who passed away December 1969 and Thelma Moore Wright, February 1981; also Anne Wright Lasenba, October 1993; her husband Roderick, October 1982; Dorothy Wooten Wright (Edward), March 1994; Calvin Fleming (Mildred), October 1994; Robert Wright (Margaret), February 2006.

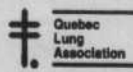
*No one knows that silent heartache,
Only those who have loved can tell,
The grief we bear in silence
For the ones we loved so well.*

Sadly missed by
MILDRED FLEMING
MURRAY & CHRISTINA
EDWARD WRIGHT
MARGARET WRIGHT

In Memoriam

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MELBOURNE

The Melbourne Farmers' Market, located behind the Town Hall at 1257 Route 243, is opened from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Saturday until October 13. More than forty producers to serve you. Visit our site: www.marchechampetre.ca for details.

SHERBROOKE

Handicrafts Show and Sale at Salle St. Michel, 188 Marquette St., Sherbrooke, in the basement of Cathedrale Saint-Michel, on October 13 and 14 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 130 exhibitors. Free entrance. Information: Murielle Berard 819-823-0920.

NORTH HATLEY

Advance notice. Brunch, benefit of North Hatley United Church, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 13 at the Community Center, Capelton Road. Egg Strata, pancakes and syrup, sausages, coleslaw, baked beans, fruit salad, juices, coffee and tea.

WATERVILLE, HATLEY, NORTH HATLEY

In October, Sunday Service and Sunday School in Hatley United Church will be at 11 a.m., Waterville and North Hatley United Church congregations will worship in North Hatley at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Patricia Lison, 819-837-1112.

KNOWLTON

Chicken Pie Supper, for the benefit of the Edith Kathan Home in West Brome, to be held in the Oddfellows Hall in Knowlton from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on October 13. Admission charged at the door.

WATERLOO

On October 14, at 7:30 p.m. there will be a Memorial Hymn Sing to celebrate the 140th Anniversary of St. Paul's United Church, Waterloo. Hymns will be dedicated in memory of and in honour of past and present members and friends. Former choir members will join the choir for some special music. Refreshments following the service. All welcome.

AYER'S CLIFF

Roast Beef Supper on Saturday, October 13 at Beulah United Church in Ayer's Cliff. The menu will include: Roast Beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, horseradish, peas, squash, coleslaw, homemade rolls, juice, homestyle pies, coffee and tea. Two sittings: 5:00 and 6:30. Reservations only, please call Wendell Cass 819-846-7180, Mervyn Drew 819-838-5603 or Dean Young 819-838-5815. All are welcome!

SHERBROOKE

Autumn Supper will be held at Church of the Advent Hall, Bowen Ave. South, on Saturday, October 20 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Ham, baked beans, scalloped potatoes, coleslaw, rolls and pies. Sales tables.

LENNOXVILLE

November - Basic Tutor Training, 2-day Workshop, offered by Literacy in Action and Yamaska Literacy Council. This workshop will provide you with the necessary skills and information to become a volunteer tutor. Helping others to improve their reading and writing skills is very rewarding and fun work. A love of learning and reading plus two hours/week is all you need to make a difference in someone else's life. There is no fee for this workshop. Workshop will be held at 257 Queen, Lennoxville. For details and to register call Kathy Richan at 819-346-7009.

DUNHAM

October 18, Chicken Pie Luncheon at All Saints Anglican Church, Dunham. 2 sittings: 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Admission charged. Cards to be played immediately following lunch. Reservations strongly recom-

mended. Call 450-295-3341 or 450-295-2349.

SHERBROOKE

The Catholic Women's League will hold a Salad Supper on October 13 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church Hall, Sherbrooke. Delicious salads and squares await those who attend. Bake table and craft table also.

LENNOXVILLE

Annual Borough of Lennoxville Bonspiel to be held at the Lennoxville Curling Club from October 21 to 27, 2007. This year, the proceeds from this annual fundraiser will be donated to the Cornerstone Food Bank. Donations of non-perishable food items will be gratefully accepted at the curling club all week. Please support this important community event, come cheer on the participants or make a much need donation. For more information contact of the borough office or the curling club.

NORTH HATLEY

General meeting of Lake Massawippi Area Historical Society on Thursday, October 11, 7:30 p.m., at the North Hatley Community Centre, 3125 Capelton Road, North Hatley. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Derek Booth, a noted geographer, whose research has focused on the historical geography of southern Quebec and the role that railways have played in shaping the landscapes of the region. A graduate of McGill University, Dr. Booth taught in the Department of Environmental Studies & Geography at Bishop's University from 1967 until his recent retirement. The title of his talk is "History of the Massawippi Valley Railway".

LENNOXVILLE

Military Whist (Renovation) at ANAF Hut, 300 St. Francis St., Lennoxville on Friday, October 12 at 2 p.m. To reserve a table (or want to play and don't have a table) please call Helen 819-569-3598 or Emily 819-562-8683. Everyone welcome.

LENNOXVILLE

The annual general meeting and public meeting of Lennoxville and District Community Aid will be held on Tuesday, October 16, 2007 at 1:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, 3002 College St., Lennoxville. All our volunteers, clients and anyone interested in finding out more about this organization are welcome. The Lennoxville and District Community Aid Foundation will also be holding its annual general meeting at 1 p.m. (same day, same place).

SHERBROOKE

The Canadian Club of the Eastern Townships dinner meeting will be held at Hotel Le President on Wednesday, October 17 at 6:30 p.m. Guest speaker: Dr. Robert Poupart, D.Ps, Principal and Vice Chancellor, Bishop's University. Topic: 'Reconciling People and Generations: Travel Diary'.

RICHMOND

Not to be missed! The final Social Afternoon of the season with the Richmond Hill Women's Institute on Thursday, October 18, 1:30 p.m., Valleyview Hall, Healy Road. Halloween theme, prizes galore, fabulous lunch, fun for everyone. Come and bring a friend.

MONTREAL

October 16: Early Bird Holiday Boutiques presented by the Auxiliary of the Montreal General Hospital, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Admission charged (wine and hors d'oeuvres, parking included). Sale continues Wednesday, October 17 and Thursday, October 18, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Baked goods, jams, jellies, jewelry, collectibles, Holiday gifts and stationery, home decor, folk art, pottery and antiques. The Hospitality Corner Gift Shop will be offering a 20% discount for the duration of the Early Bird Sale. All items tax free! Proceeds will be used to purchase beds for the Trauma unit. 1650 Cedar Avenue, 6th floor, Livingston Hall Lounge.

BULWER

500 Card Parties on Thursdays, October 11 and October 25, in the Bulwer Community

Center at 2 p.m. Includes light lunch and the usual prizes. All welcome!

LENNOXVILLE:

The next Support Group meeting of Mental Health Estrie will be held 6:30 to 8 p.m., Monday, October 15 at 257 Queen, Lennoxville. For more information, call 819-565-3777 or e-mail mentalhealth.estrie@bellnet.ca

LENNOXVILLE:

Mental Health Estrie is hosting an information session, "Medications: can they help without harming?" The guest speaker is Dr. David Bloom, FRCP, of the Douglas Research Centre, McGill University. This event will commence at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, October 18, at the Amédée Beaudoin Community Centre, 10 Samuel Gratham (Depot) in Sherbrooke (Lennoxville). Everyone welcome. Free admission. For more information, call 819-565-3777 or e-mail mentalhealth.estrie@bellnet.ca

LENNOXVILLE

Craft Sale at Uplands Red Barn, October 12, 13 and 14, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Uplands Museum, 9 Speid St., Lennoxville. Welcome to all. Purchase unique Holiday gifts such as tole painted items, ceramic dish ware, wool, antique furniture and many other goodies.

BULWER

Bulwer Q.F.A. will meet on Thursday, October 11 at the Community Centre at 8:30 p.m. Pot-luck lunch. All welcome.

LENNOXVILLE

The Lennoxville-Ascot Historical & Museum Society invites you to their meeting on Monday, October 15, 2007 at 7:30 PM at Uplands (9 Speid Street, Sherbrooke). Our guest speaker is Dr. Jean Manore who is a professor of the Bishop's University History Department. The subject of her lecture is "Public History- the bridge between the 'The Academy' and the community". Everyone welcome. For information: 819-564-0409.

LENNOXVILLE

Lennoxville Curling Club opening dinner on Saturday, October 13 at 6 p.m. Grilled salmon or pineapple chicken, rice, vegetables, dessert. All members and guests are invited.

WATERLOO

Breakfast at St. Luke's Anglican Church on Saturday, October 13 from 8:30 - 10 a.m. All are welcome.

LENNOXVILLE

A fashion show will be held at Alexander Galt on Thursday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m. This is a fundraiser to help the Synchro Figure Skating teams raise money to attend the Canadian National Competition in Vancouver next February. Over 40 models featuring 2 presentations each will represent many stores in Sherbrooke. The skaters will also perform special presentations throughout the program. Admission charged at the door. Hope to see you there.

SHERBROOKE

Ham and turkey bingo at ANAF Unit 318, 300 St. Francis Street, on Wednesday, October 17 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

SHERBROOKE

Fundraiser Mechoui at ANAF Unit 318, 300 St. Francis Street, on Saturday October 13 at 6 p.m. Please reserve at 819-346-9122 after 4 p.m. or 819-569-1069 no later than October 12. Live music by INTRO starting at 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

RICHMOND-MELBOURNE

Covenanting Service for Lee Ann Hogle, Sunday, October 14 at Richmond-Melbourne United Church at 11 a.m. Joint service with Melbourne Ridge. Refreshments in the Dean Room. Come celebrate with us.

LENNOXVILLE

Lennoxville Youth Center Open House, Saturday October 13. Scavenger Hunt, 1 - 3 p.m., teams of 2, prizes to be won - to register your team in advance, please call 819-821-4805. Open House, 1 - 4 p.m. - all are welcome to come visit and meet the anima-

tion staff and members directly in the Youth Centre, at 168-B Queen Street (across from Provigo and under Cafe Java).

LENNOXVILLE

The public is invited to participate in the fall garden bee taking place at Uplands on Saturday, October 13, starting at 9 a.m. Enjoy some fresh air while lending a hand all in the beautiful setting of the Uplands property. Complimentary coffee and doughnuts will be provided. Everyone is welcome. For more info, please call 89-564-0409

STANSTEAD

The Stanstead Chapter IODE annual Bazaar & Tea will be held on Saturday, October 20 from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Centenary United Church, 479 Dufferin Street: sales tables of home baked goods, attic treasures, Christmas and gift boutiques, a large silent auction. Large selection of home-baked temptations in the tea-room. Bursaries awarded at 3 p.m. followed by door prizes for the young and young-at-heart. Admission charged. All welcome. Please come and support your local IODE chapter.

SHERBROOKE

Evening concert with Margaret Bennett, Celtic folk singer, historian, broadcaster and writer from Scotland on Saturday, October 13, 7 p.m., at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 256 Queen Street. No admission charged - a free-will offering will be taken.

LENNOXVILLE

"Fun"draiser Alexander Galt Regional High School Stratford Theatre Festival Trip. Centennial Theatre presents "Shrek the Third" on Sunday, October 14, 2 p.m. Admission charged. Come and watch the crazy antics of Shrek and the gang as they search for the new king of Far Far Away in this exciting and hilarious adventure for the whole family. One dollar from every ticket goes towards supporting Alexander Galt's annual Stratford Festival Trip.

LENNOXVILLE

Lennoxville United Church, corner of Queen and Church Street: Worship and Sunday School on October 14 at 10:00 a.m. Rev. James Potter, 819-565-8449.

GOULD

Friday, October 12, 8 p.m., Chalmers Church, Gould, Margaret Bennett and Manon Rouso, songs and images of Scotland from Scotland's foremost folklorist and Quebec's foremost photographer. Reservations: 1-888-305-3526.

LENNOXVILLE

Saturday, October 13, 7 p.m., St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Lennoxville, Program of Scottish folklore and songs with Margaret Bennett, Scottish singer, writer, broadcaster. Contact: Ferne Murray 819-562-8611.

HATLEY

Luncheon in St. James Church Hall on Wednesday, October 17 starting at 11:30 a.m. Benefit of the St. James A.C.W. Everyone welcome. Also there will be a Turkey Supper held on October 20 starting at 5:30 p.m. Due to road construction, come in by Roy or North Road and watch for detour signs.

HATLEY

Card parties on October 15 and 22 starting at 1:30 p.m. in St. James Church Hall, Hatley. Benefit of the Ayer's Cliff Women's Institute. Everyone welcome. Due to road construction, come in by Roy or North Road and watch for detour signs.

LENNOXVILLE

Upland's Garden Club members are invited to a pot-luck get-together on Wednesday, October 17, 5:30 p.m., at the Museum. Camille Dufresne will enlighten us with an informal talk about birds and Christmas treats for them. For further information, please contact Helena Brodie at 819-346-3696.

BURY

Our last 2007 Coffee House, Bury United Cultural Center. will be on October 19 at 7:30 pm. Hope to see you there. Info: 819-884-5563.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another. Today's clue: P equals X

"LS GLYXHW JBKfZUX HEZU KLWZ L FBEZ NHCSX KFBK ZEZUO ZPVZULZSMZ LY B NHUW HN ZPVTHUBKLHS." - BSYZT BXBWY

PREVIOUS SOLUTION - "Good humor may be said to be one of the very best articles of dress one can wear in society." - William M. Thackeray

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"We didn't eat all that junk food when I was a kid."

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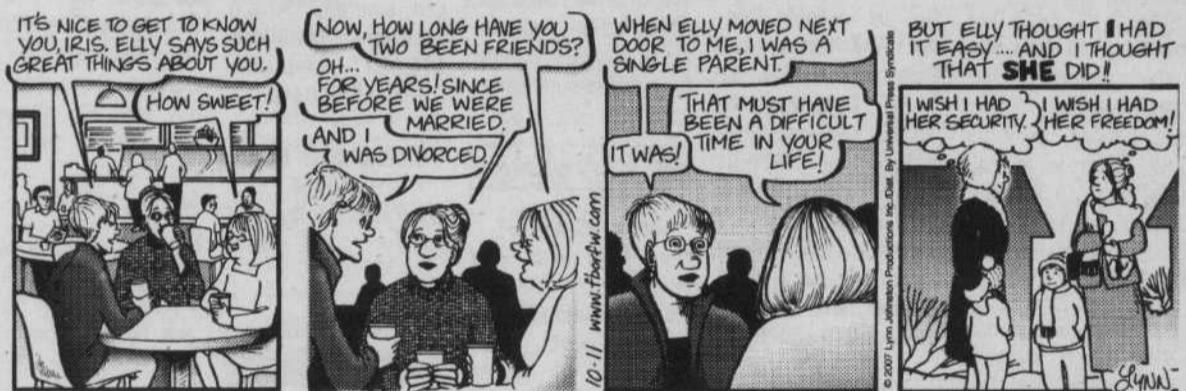
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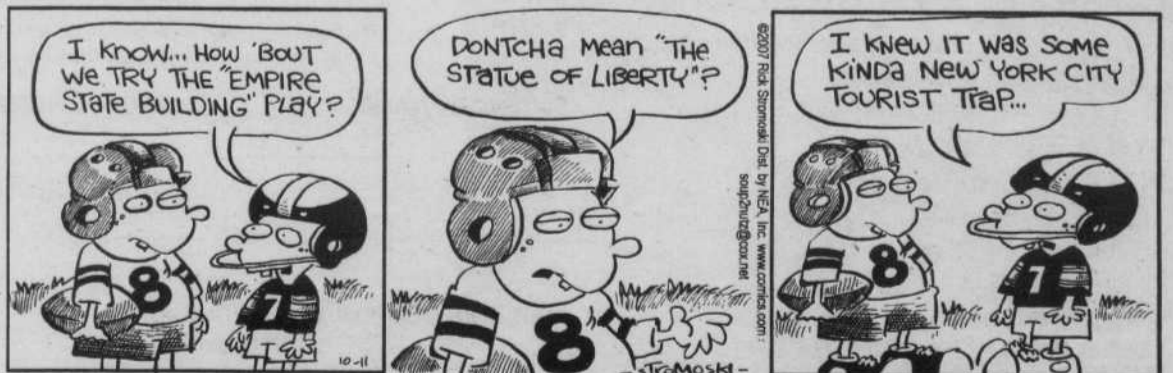
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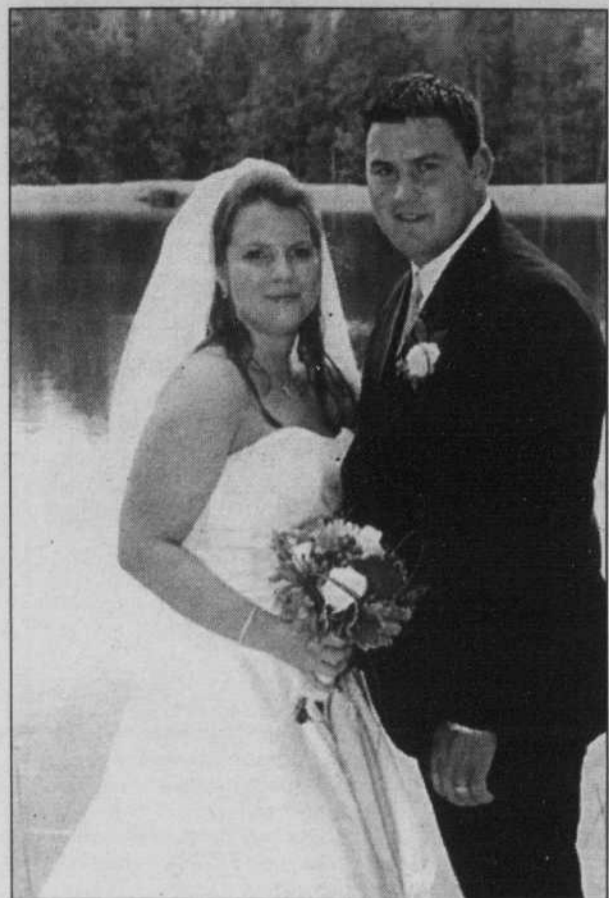
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The reception was held in an elegantly decorated tent with chairs and tables covered in white, beautiful white lanterns with pink and green accents. The evening held unique personal touches of the bride and groom, from the entering of the reception, to Hockey Night in Canada music, to the Guest Quilt (Guest Book). It was a fun filled night hosted by 2 D.J.'s who entertained everyone with music and games.

A lovely meal was served with a night of flowing wine with friends and family. It was a dream wedding for the happy couple with photos, video and tons of memories.

A sincere than you to all the guests and a huge thank you to everyone who helped to make this a special day. A special thank you to Rev. Dal Skinner, Veronique (Fleuriste Magog), Elite Sound Wave (D.J.'s, Mtl.), Randy Berwick (Tent Stukely), Alden Ticehurst (Cabinet Stukely), Lori Goyette / Gary Burcombe (Photos/Video Knowlton), Traiteurs Cowansville (Meal and Bar).

Wishing you a lifetime of happiness together. Love always from your proud parents Dave and Mary Picken and Nancy and Wilbur Talbot.

87th Birthday Wishes

Happy birthday to Rita Lord-Ross of the London Residence who celebrates her 87th birthday on October 11.
Love and best wishes from the residents and staff.

Whitman - Doherty 50th Wedding Anniversary



Congratulations to our parents,
Jean Whitman and Hugh Doherty.

Married October 18, 1957 in Lawrencetown, N.S. United Church, now retired and living in Middleton, N.S. Jean is a graduate of the Sherbrooke Hospital Nursing School; Hugh a graduate of Sherbrooke High School and Bishop's University.

Much love from children: David (Wendy), Patricia (David), Jennifer (Joe), and Andrea (Larry); their three grandchildren: Tara, Madeline and Margaret.

Best wishes: jeanwhitman@yahoo.com (Jean);
hdoherty@ns.sympatico.ca (Hugh).

"Who's that wacko?"

Dear Annie: I am a 62-year-old male who has lately noticed something, and I'm wondering if it's the start of a disease of some kind.

I've become aware that I often walk down the street holding conversations with imaginary people or those from my past. On a few occasions, I've been caught red-handed by others. It's really embarrassing. What really scares me is it seems to start involuntarily. When I notice other people doing this, my first reaction is, "Who's that wacko?" I don't want to be that person.

Is this the beginning of dementia? — Worried in Connecticut

Dear Worried: When this happens, are you day-dreaming? Are you working through a problem? Do you do this at home? Do your imaginary friends answer you? It's not unusual to talk to yourself, especially when your thoughts need sorting through, and if you do it often, it can become habitual — which is why it seems involuntary.

Although this behavior might be perfectly harmless, we think you should talk to your doctor about this. You obviously are having difficulty controlling this behavior. There are tests for mental acuity that can determine whether you are having a problem that needs addressing.

Dear Annie: Recently, a good friend of my husband moved into our neighborhood. I strongly dislike this man's wife due to several past personal affronts.

My husband tells me she is eager to come by for some decorating ideas (their home is very similar to ours). I absolutely do not want that woman in my house, and I certainly don't want her copying my style.

Last night, she and her husband "dropped in." I begged off with a migraine, but that's not going to work every time. I don't want to ruin my husband's friendship with the man, so how do I handle this? — Need A Way Out

Dear Need Out: You don't need to be chummy with this couple, but there's no reason you cannot

Annie's Mailbox

be civil once in a while for your husband's sake. Don't issue any invitations, but if they should

suggest getting together, you might say "yes" every third time or so, and set up a date a week or two later at a restaurant or theater. You can plausibly say that your schedule is too packed to enjoy their company more often. Also suggest to your husband that he and his friend spend time together on their own. He shouldn't feel their friendship must be arranged by their wives.

Dear Annie: You printed a letter from a nurse who complained that HIPAA regulations barred her from speaking to family members when an elderly patient asked them not to.

HIPAA is greatly misunderstood. When any person is a danger to themselves or others, family members listed as next-of-kin can be contacted to rectify such a situation. In the case of the elderly, one could also call the state program for Eldercare, usually under the auspices of the state Dept. of Health and Human Services. Someone will visit the elderly person and determine whether or not it is safe for him or her to live alone.

For more information, your readers can contact the local Area Agency on Aging or Eldercare Locator (eldercare.gov) at 1-800-677-1116, as well as the American Geriatrics Society Foundation for Health in Aging (www.healthinaging.org) at 1-800-563-4916. — S.D. Schutze, RN

Dear S.D. Schutze: Thanks for the clarification and resources. The problem with disclosing the medical information of older patients is not necessarily because they require help, but because they don't always want their children involved in their health care decisions. When the parents are of sound mind, this is annoying, but not life-threatening. It's in that gray area, where parents are beginning to show signs of slipping but are not doing anything dangerous, where problems arise.

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

Happy 41st Wedding Anniversary



Congratulations and very best wishes are sent to our friends Edith and Lester Leney of Georgeville, Quebec on the occasion of their 41st Wedding Anniversary which they celebrated, Monday, October 8, 2007.

With love from Carolyn, George and family

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By Alan P. Olschwang 10/11/07

Taurus is back and much improved.



The Ford Taurus is back after a brief retirement in 2006.

(Photo by Bruno Schlumberger/Ottawa Citizen)

By Garey Ris

CanWest News Service
 OTTAWA - I knew there was something alluring about the car I was testing recently when the server at the Tim Hortons drive-thru window made an interesting proposition. "I'll give you this coffee if you let me have your car," the young woman pleaded as she handed me my medium black.

"Are you serious?" I asked. "Yes, it's a beautiful car," she replied. My tester: Ford's stylish 2008 Taurus Limited AWD, which exudes European flair and Japanese safety, thanks to more than 500 engineering changes. It's a step in the right direction for Ford, which is banking on increased competitiveness in the large car market.

Ford's challenge is to generate sales with a car that recently earned the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety's Top Safety Pick Award for 2008.

You remember the Ford Taurus, right? Introduced in 1985, the jelly-bean-shaped, mid-sized Taurus soon became a bestseller, with sales peaking in 1992 just shy of 410,000 units, when it began a streak of five straight years as the No. 1-selling automobile in the United States.

Some models that first year came with a four-cylinder 90-horsepower engine - pretty pedestrian when you look back - while others had six-cylinder 140-h.p. engines. Ford later added a SHO version, or Super High Output, with 220 h.p. and 200 pound-foot of torque.

Through its first four generations, Ford sold 6.7 million Tauruses before it was retired in 2006. The car fell out of favour, as buyers preferred Honda's Accord and Toyota's Camry. It was time to move on.

Enter the Ford Five Hundred, a car very unlike the Taurus. While it lasted only three years under that

name, it was stronger and bigger than the Taurus. What it lacked was sales and style.

So it was bye-bye, Ford Five Hundred. Hello, Taurus - again.

Ford knew that the Taurus name still had enormous appeal with customers. It was genius for CEO Alan Mulally to bring back the beloved name.

But it in no way is a Taurus. The car is totally different. For starters, the 2008 Taurus employs a 3.5-litre Duratec V-6 that delivers 263 h.p. - about 30 per cent higher than the previous engine - and 245 pound-feet of torque. It's teamed to a new six-speed automatic transmission.

Ford also uses this engine in the Edge, a crossover vehicle. That addresses a major complaint that as the Five Hundred, this car was underpowered.

The first thing I noticed about the Taurus was how well-appointed it was: supple leather seats, high seating, ample legroom and headroom, nice sightlines, decent stereo with satellite radio.

Instead of the jellybean look, this family car looks European, thanks to its chiselled hood, solid accents and distinctive three-bar chrome grille. A nice touch: chrome side vents on the front fenders.

This car has a purposeful look through the rear, too. Its new tail-lamps, dual chrome exhaust and rear fascia aren't afterthoughts. It's easy to see that Ford is pushing the Taurus into more exclusive territory. Remember when the Taurus was a rental car favourite? Banish that thought!

The Taurus is so improved - Ford claims some 500 improvements; there's that number again - that you could mistake it for a European sedan. The steering was taut, but the braking, while decent, had too much fade for my liking.

If it's safety you cherish, the

Taurus is a standout. IIHS gave it a top grade. It earned five-star ratings in all four of the IIHS tests: 40 mph front offset crash, side-impact crash, rear crash protection/head restraint, and stability control.

Ford says the Taurus's ultra-rigid chassis was crash-modelled on a Cray supercomputer.

Two other superb safety measures are the rollover sensor and rear park assist.

As a family car, the Taurus boasts class-leading interior volume, rear-seat headroom, and a mammoth trunk that's great for long road trips. Not to mention a comfortable, quiet ride.

To do that, Ford used expandable foam pellets in the A-pillars to lessen wind noise and used Sponsorb, a sound-deadening material, in the doors.

If you're aspiring to gain a new level of customer - our tester came with a price tag just north of \$45,000, including destination - measures such as these can help boost showroom traffic.

On highways and regional roads around Ottawa, I found the Taurus fun to drive, although acceleration could have been stronger. One drawback: AWD hurt mileage.

While Ford claims 12.7L/100 km city and 8.3L/100 km highway (22 mpg city, 34 highway), I averaged only 12.8L/100 combined (22 mpg). As in other Ford vehicles, quality is extremely high, although I detest the faux wood trim and the stitching on the leather seats could have been better.

Minor quibbles aside, a week was all I needed to know how nice a car I was driving.

As I recently filled up the car at the service station, the counter person - another young person - remarked about the restyled, rebadged Taurus and how it looks like a Lexus. That shows Ford is aiming in the right direction.

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