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Pit bulls get the green light in Sherbrooke

By Record Staff SHERBROOKE

Sherbrooke City Council has given notice of amendments to its animal control regulations that will, as of Jan. 1, 2015, allow the ownership of pit bulls everywhere in the city and establish standards for the possession and care of companion animals.

Currently, pit bull ownership is permitted in some of the formerly independent boroughs, but not in the old city of Sherbrooke. The regulation will be formally adopted on Nov. 17 and come into force on Jan. 1.

Another major change requires that all animals, with the exception of cats, will have to be leashed or penned when outdoors unless they are under direct supervision of their guardian. In a public place, they must be kept on a leash at all times unless their presence is prohibited by signage or a special event such as a festival, is held at a particular location.

Specific regulations target cats, dogs, and reptiles. Although the combined number of cats and dogs allowed in a home remains fixed at four, a special permit may be issued to anyone who wishes to take in up to 10 cats. In a case like this, the cats will have to live inside the house or fenced outside. A special permit may also be granted to farmers.

Regardless of the number of cats in a home, all but one will have to be sterilized, as must all cats and dogs put up for adoption by the SPA-Estrie, shelters and pet stores.

In addition, certain minimum conditions of custody have been added. It will henceforth be forbidden to leave a dog alone for more than 24 hours. A minimum area for an outdoor enclosure has been established and it will be illegal to keep an animal tied up outside for more than 12 consecutive hours within a 24-hour period.

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Great Ascot!

Robert Pouliot celebrates 35 years in public life



GORDON LAMBIE

Sherbrooke mayor Bernard Sévigny presented Ascot councillor Robert Pouliot with a wine carafe to celebrate his 35 years in politics.

By Gordon Lambie SHERBROOKE

Sherbrooke's city council paid homage to veteran municipal politician Robert "Bob" Pouliot on Monday. Following the night's usual course of business, the period of time generally devoted to personal remarks from councillors was given over almost entirely to congratulations and fond reminiscences from colleagues to the one-time mayor of Ascot, who began his political career 38 years ago, on Nov. 4, 1979.

"Bob is known for being a great listener," shared Mayor Bernard Sévigny. "People don't make it 35 years in politics if they do not listen to their con-

stituents."

Welcoming the various members of Pouliot's family who were present in the hall, Sévigny described the Ascot councillor as a man who has always been close to the people both in his district and elsewhere in the city. He credited the deputy mayor's availability to work for the needs of his community despite the pressure that it has no doubt put on his home life over the last three-and-a-half decades, and expressed a great admiration of what he called Pouliot's "policy of proximity" when it comes to interacting with citizens.

Based on their longtime experience as neighbouring mayors, Lennoxville Borough President David Price was also invited to speak.

"Bob is a very social person," Price reflected. "He doesn't spend much time in the office, he's always out on the ground."

The Lennoxville councillor expressed that it was almost always a pleasure to work with "a gentleman" like Pouliot, the only exception being the time that Lennoxville annexed a section of Ascot.

Both Pouliot and Price expressed that that conflict was water under the bridge however, and Price wished his Ascot neighbor another 35 years on the job.

"Whenever we talk about a very long-term project, we joke that only Bob will see the end of it," laughed Council President Serge Paquin.

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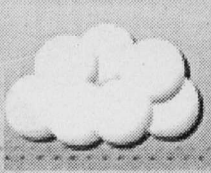
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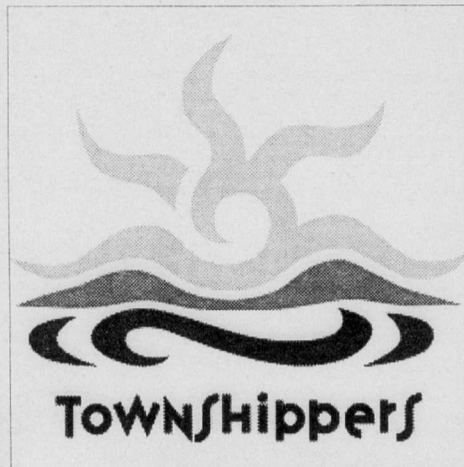


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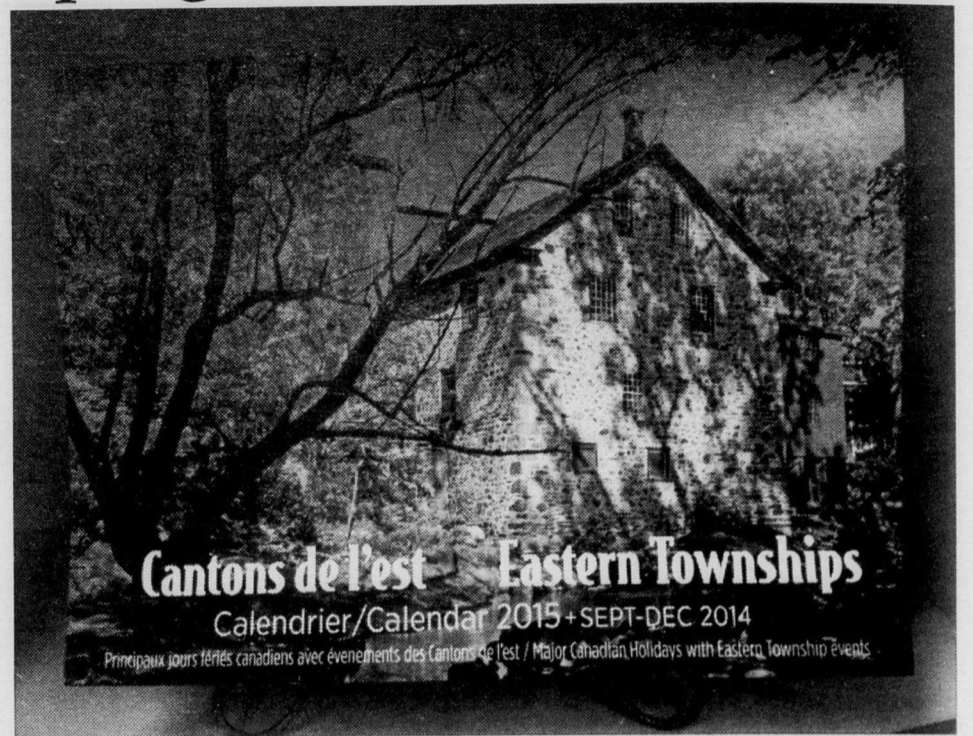
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LOCAL NEWS

Though voiced calmly, Lapointe's address to the council and to Mayor Bernard Sévigny was laced with a greater tone of hostility.

Municipal workers promise 'no peace' for council

By Gordon Lambie
SHERBROOKE

The coalition of municipal employees filled the city council chambers in Sherbrooke beyond capacity Monday night in order to inform the elected officials that they would be stepping back from the reflection and analysis group on Bill 3.

According to spokesperson Jean-François Lapointe, the city's unions feel that rather than try to work toward a concrete solution to the conflict caused by proposed revisions to municipal pension plans, the provincial and municipal governments have been obscuring the truth in the name of getting what they want.

"The municipal workers and the city set up a reflection and analysis table on (Bill 3). The objective was simple: analyze the pension plans deeply, identify the problems and find solutions," recalled Lapointe. "The municipal employees played the game, and we are now certain that it served as nothing more than a smokescreen. Behind it lay a well orchestrated plan between you, the Union of Municipalities of Quebec, and

the Liberal party to get exactly what you want from Bill 3; a way to steal even more from us."

Though voiced calmly, Lapointe's address to the council and to Mayor Bernard Sévigny was laced with a greater tone of hostility than other such interactions have been in the past, indicating the degree to which the coalition members' patience has thinned.

The union spokesperson made reference to having repeatedly invited Mayor Sévigny to engage directly with the employees, either in public debate or privately at the negotiation table, only have those invitations categorically rejected.

"We tried," Lapointe said simply. "Now the position of the employees of the City of Sherbrooke is summarized very simply: no war with the citizens of Sherbrooke, no peace for the thieves of our pension funds."

The coalition representative pointed to a disparity between Sherbrooke's elected officials and its blue-collar workers, saying that while Sévigny is the third highest-paid mayor in Quebec, the city's em-

ployees are the worst paid of any in the province. He criticized the mayor for not listening to the citizens, saying that a study carried out by the workers indicates that more than 40 per cent of Sherbrooke residents feel dissatisfied with the way the council has handled the conflict over pensions.

The mayor, in response, reiterated the point he has made in the past that there were councillors delegated to the negotiating table on the city's behalf. He countered the suggestion of a "smoke screen," saying that he feels the UMQ and the city have been frank and direct in their communications.

"I find it disappointing that you are leaving the table, but it is your decision," Sévigny concluded.

Council President Serge Paquin added to that sense of



GORDON LAMBIE

A group of city workers filled the public areas of the city council chambers to beyond capacity at Monday's council meeting.

disappointment, saying that, "sooner or later, hopefully sooner than later, we need to sit back down at the table. We will see the framing that Bill 3 offers, and then we will sit back down and discuss the various

collective agreements."

Following Paquin's response, the more than 100 municipal workers crowding the hall dispersed slowly, requiring a short recess before further business could take place.

Pouliot

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"It takes a very particular set of characteristics to be re-elected ten times in the same territory."

Paquin shared that he was impressed by Pouliot's sense of cooperation, chivalry, and respectful conduct in council. He recalled the experience of stepping in as Mont-Bellevue Borough President after amalgamation, saying that it was odd to be in the position of leading meetings that included a veteran like Pouliot, who had already served as mayor in the region for close to a quarter century.

The Council President lauded Pouliot for his constant and careful attention to the poorer or less privileged members of society, pointing out that while he is a successful businessman, Pouliot is far from ignorant to the needs and concerns of the people in what is one of the cities most economically challenged districts.

"Not only will the citizens of Ascot remember you, but the citizens of Sherbrooke, and history itself will re-

member you" Paquin concluded.

Those three interventions were followed by a string of reflections and congratulations from the rest of the council, shared from both rookie and veteran councillors. Fleurimont councillor Vincent Boutin shared his best wishes while also noting the fact that he has been alive for only a part of Pouliot's career in politics.

Pouliot accepted the messages with humility, and expressed gratitude to the members of his family who sat through the city council meeting to share the moment with him.

He referred to his family as his campaign team since 1979, and thanked them for everything they've done over the years, while also saying that he has been spoiled by his colleagues and the general context of his career in general.

As a token of recognition, Mayor Sévigny presented Pouliot with a wine carafe.

"I didn't work 35 years for free gifts," Pouliot joked, "but this is a nice bonus."

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Halloween at Beechmore



DISHPAN HANDS

SHEILA QUINN

It's interesting how even the changing maple leaves caught and held light. Those first few weeks after they're gone are the darkest nights of the year, more so if you're winding along Townships roads. Last Saturday night was one of those, as the six of us piled into the van, heading to Richmond for the annual Halloween festivities at our friends' home. The theme this year: our childhood heroes.

We were clad as described several weeks ago in DH - my darling was a dashing Indiana Jones, with a sack full of artifacts, and a bull whip on his hip. My stepson proudly sported a mini-version of the *Plomberie Bessette et Fils* work shirts, hand painted with the very same logo, a matching embroidered baseball cap on his noggin and a smart pair of Big Bills to complete the look. "I guarantee you, you'll be the only one who thought to dress up as his Dad," his father proudly stated. My step-daughter was barely recognizable, with a black lightning bolt across one eye, a white wig and boots, sparkly silver top with multi-coloured flecks and black leggings - she made a terrific Lady Gaga.

My sons were the only matching pair in our lot - my youngest in constant "hero" stance as Star Lord, and my eldest, very proud to dress as the tree-hero, Groot, both of hit Marvel film *Guardians of the Galaxy*.

After flip-flopping on my hero idea, I



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY SHEILA QUINN

A collage of the Halloween costumes worn by Sheila Quinn's family to the annual party in Richmond. Top left: Nelson in a work shirt; top right: Magalie as Lady Gaga; bottom row (left to right): Leander as Star Lord, Sheila as Andie Walsh, Stéphane as Indiana Jones, Angus as Groot.

had come back to my original plan, and in the heat of creativity and late nights, I managed to pull off what some refer to as the ugliest prom dress ever, but that as tween girls we revered - that of Andie, the main character in a film that went down in Brat Pack infamy, *Pretty in Pink*.

For one night, I was a red-head in a pink dress - what a risk that was at the time the movie was released - how edgy and brave we thought she was, deconstructing and creating one dress from two acquired prom dresses. Funny to think that Molly Ringwald had been in her late teens when the movie was filmed - and that I could be the character's mother.

I even managed a change in eye

colour, thanks to Clearly Contacts, the contact lens and glasses company, founded by Bishop's University alumnus Roger Hardy. I've worn glasses since I was 10 years old, contact lenses since I was 15. I've had my share of eyewear experiences - but let's save that for another column.

What a strange transformation it was to see myself as a brown-eyed girl. I had watched *Pretty in Pink* again, and studied still photos I found online. I was taken back to the scene we loved the most - Andie's actual constructing of the dress, drawing the design in charcoal pencil in a sketchbook, ripping seams, studying pieces of material. It was so strange to be doing that very thing myself. I couldn't find the exact light pink for the bulk of

the dress, so I opted to hand paint lighter pink polka dots over the whole thing. I was quite satisfied with the end results, including a small matching handbag, as Andie had in the movie as well.

The very 1980's style of the dress meant that it had open shoulders and was roomy, but a little more fitted just below the knee. That meant for some interesting strategies in clambering in and out of vehicles. In case you had forgotten, the '80s were a strange time for fashion.

The hour-long trip from home to the party flew - as a family we discussed what heroes might be present at the party. Batman! Spiderman! The cast from *Star Wars*! The kids were eager to exchange ideas. We were among the earlier arrivals, and the estate's exterior did not disappoint. Giant spider webs stretched from the third-storey roof to the front door, giant (fake) spiders wiggling in the chilly breeze.

A collection of decorations made up a grizzly scene, left from the previous evening's annual pilgrimage of trick-or-treaters (they were visited by over 1,200 this year). Cackling and thunder, lights and animatronic Halloween creatures glowed in the dark country evening. Upon entering the house, the usual décor was found in each room, ghouls, ghosts and all sorts of haunts occupying the library, even seated at the piano.

Our hosts, dressed as the old school Batman and Robin, marveled over our interesting family look. "GROOT!" Batman exclaimed. We showed how we had taught Groot to say his big line from *Guardians of the Galaxy*, "I am Groot." A tree of few words.

As the evening progressed, the laughs and excitement grew. Friends arrived with the whole family dressed as the characters from *The Incredibles*, with the youngest even decked out as Edna Mode, the superhero costume designer based on famous fashion creator Edith Head. Marilyn Monroe, Run from Run DMC, Transformers, pirates, a cast member from *The Walking Dead* TV series, comic book favourite Mafalda, Zorro, and even Elvis himself made an appearance.

Great times, great conversation, snacks, goodie bags and the best dance floor of the year made the party the event everyone looks forward to - an all ages great time of good old-fashioned spooky fun. The only problem is waiting a whole year for the next edition! Thanks to Batman and Robin for always being the hosts with the most!

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Memphremagog citizens forum addresses religious heritage

Record Staff

The Committee on Social Economy of the Memphremagog regional county municipality held its sixth Citizen Forum on Oct. 29, as part of the Memphremagog "Fortnight" social solidarity development program.

This year's citizen forum was held under the theme "Heritage and social economy, a winning combination," and brought in 40 people from the economic and social environments, as well as citizens and elected officials from the region.

"The members of the Committee on Social Economy wanted this year's forum to provide people in the community an opportunity to discuss vari-

ous issues of development of the territory in terms of the potential role of the social economy in the preservation and enhancement of the built heritage of the MRC, specifically in the case of those places not currently in use," says Jocelyn Jussaume, director of collective entrepreneurship and special projects at the Memphremagog local development centre.

The forum was opened by Magog priest Donald Thompson, co-founder of the Orford Express and a man passionate about community development. He particularly stressed the importance of creativity, passion, and entrepreneurial thinking as determinants in this type of project.

Then, Denis Boucher, Project Manager for the Council on the

Religious Heritage of Quebec, the CPRQ, spoke to participants on the current situation in Quebec and the transformation of churches.

The CPRQ is conducting a survey on the subject, to try to determine how these buildings can continue to provide significant spaces in their communities, identifying potential projects, and how social economy companies can suggest suitable uses for religious heritage buildings.

Concrete examples of transformation were presented, from different regions of the province.

Caroline Gosselin, Ph.D., the founder and executive director of the Miner Heritage Farm, shared the story of this project, the evolution of the concept,

the strengths and challenges of the business, and its future prospects.

Situated in downtown Granby, Miner Heritage Farm is the social economy company behind the revival of a heritage farm that belonged to one of the great founding families of the city. This project helped to create, in the heart of the city, an eco-tourism farm where visitors can mingle with both animals and ancestral plants and learn about leading edge, environmentally conscious, farming methods.

Finally, participants were treated to a lively and interactive panel on the potential role of the social economy in the problematic reuse of historic places.

"We want the concrete solu-

tions presented at these conferences to inspire participants in addition to giving them the tools to achieve this type of community approach," Jussaume said.

The mission of this independent committee, coordinated by the LDC, is to encourage the development of social enterprises in the Memphremagog region. In addition to the Local Development Centre, which coordinates the committee, it includes representatives of the Memphremagog Community Development Corporation, the Magog Carrefour Jeunesse emploi, the social economy business network, the Estrie regional health clinic, the Memphremagog MRC, the City of Magog, and representatives of two social enterprises.

Jacques Cartier youth centre on the move

By Gordon Lambie
SHERBROOKE

The Azimut Nord Youth Centre in Jacques Cartier Park will be moving to a new location over the winter months, at a cost of close to \$270,000.

Come springtime, the centre will open in a brand new building behind the Jean Byrns building in André Viger Park, near the Carrefour de l'Estrie.

University district councillor

Jean-Francois Rouleau explained the project at Monday night's city council meeting, pointing out that it is the culmination of a conversation about the centre's usage that dates back to 2010.

According to Rouleau, a survey was carried out by the city among youth living in the Jacques Cartier borough via local high schools.

The results of the survey indicated that the young people using the centre's services

found it hard to get there from their homes, given Jacques Cartier Park's distance from most of the residential streets in the surrounding area.

For that same reason, many youths indicated that they didn't use the centre at all.

In addition, whenever the downtown park hosts a special event or festival, it becomes all that much harder for the area's young people to access what is supposed to be a space specifically for them.

Given this information, the borough council determined that it did not make sense to continue to have the centre where it is and began research to see where it might find a better home.

Borough President Chantal L'Esperance pointed out that, historically, the youth centre has served an important need in the community.

She expressed a hope that the relocation would allow a new life for the centre in a

neighborhood that has not had access to any such service in the past.

The City and the Youth Centre will be sharing the \$269,250 price tag on the project, with the borough of Jacques Cartier assuming \$213,250 of the cost, and the remaining \$56,000 being picked up by the centre.

The greater city of Sherbrooke will be providing the centre with the land upon which to construct the new building.

Evaluations ordered in child porn cases

Record Staff
SHERBROOKE

Two men who were arrested as part of "Operation Mainmise" were ordered to undergo psychiatric evaluations in Sherbrooke court. Both Fernand Fortin and Gabriel Morin faced the orders yesterday in separate cases.

Fortin, had already undergone a psychiatric evaluation at the Philippe-Pinel Institute in Montreal to determine whether he can be declared a dangerous offender, and now will have to meet with another psychiatrist for a second opinion.

Fortin was convicted in January 2014 of possessing child pornography and pleaded guilty to accessing child pornography and making such images available on an internet sharing site. He has previous convictions of a similar nature as well as for indecent exposure.

Jean-Guillaume Blanchette, for the defence, told the court that he was waiting for a mandate from Legal Aid to get a second opinion on his client. Judge Conrad Chapdelaine set Feb. 4 for Fortin's sentencing hearing, allowing time for a second evaluation to be made.

In light of the psychiatric evaluation already in his file, his sentencing report, and the facts alleged in his last sentencing, Chapdelaine had accepted the request to obtain an evaluation in July.

The assessment was to be done within 60 days, but the Philippe-Pinel Institute had requested an extension. Its report was sent on Oct. 15.

Fortin has been detained since December.

Meanwhile, Gabriel Morin will undergo psychiatric assessment after having entered a guilty plea to six counts related

to child pornography.

Standing before Court of Quebec Judge Hélène Fabi, the 32-year-old admitted to possession, accessing, and distributing child pornography between June 2008 and August 2012. The distribution of child pornography is punishable by a minimum prison sentence of one year.

Patrick Frechette, for the defence, made the request for a full pre-sentencing hearing and sexual evaluation.

Following a preliminary hearing and an estimate of the impact of testifying on the al-

leged victim, prosecutor Joannie St. Pierre chose not to pursue two other counts relating to sexual contact.

A sentencing hearing on the child pornography charges should be held on Feb. 5, 2015.

The two were arrested as part of "Operation Mainmise" that took place in November 2013. It was initiated in June 2013 by Sexual Exploitation of Children on the Internet Team in collaboration with the RCMP and municipal police forces. It is the largest police operation against child pornography ever carried out in Quebec.

Pit bulls

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Regarding dogs, the new regulations include a new section dedicated to dangerous dogs and repealing the current provisions concerning prohibited breeds. Dogs determined to be dangerous will be perceived as a nuisance and euthanized. In addition, a dog can be declared potentially dangerous following a behavioral as-

essment and subject to stringent custodial standards, depending on the circumstances.

The regulations also introduce a new reference to irresponsible guardians who could be prevented from adopting any new dogs once euthanasia orders have been issued in respect of dogs in his or her custody.

As for reptiles, possession

will be legal for those up to two metres in length.

Finally, the new regulations will increase fines depending on the nature of the offence.

They vary between \$50 and \$1,000, although most are punishable by a fine of \$100, unless the safety of a person or animal is at stake, in which case fines range between \$500 and \$1,000.

Accident victim dies

Record Staff
SHERBROOKE

The 25-year old driver involved in an accident on Université Boulevard Monday morning has died of his injuries.

Police have identified Nancy May McKalvey-Lacroix as the driver who lost control of his truck on Université near Ravel Street. He was accompanied by a 22-

year old passenger who suffered minor injuries.

Police have not yet determined the cause of the accident and are continuing their investigation.

"The investigation is ongoing. Our investigators have analyzed the scene. Speed, alcohol, fatigue are all hypotheses being studied to try to explain this accident," said Sherbrooke Police spokesman Martin Carrier.

EDITORIAL

For the province's anglophone community (as well as those who qualify by inheritance), the issue of school board survival has a more onerous component.

Silent but deadly



MIKE MCDEVITT

It was not good news for Quebec school boards this Sunday, as the much-vaunted school commission elections were largely greeted with a great big yawn of indifference by potential voters. Across the province, voter participation hovered around just over four per cent in francophone boards, down almost by half from 2007.

On the English side the participation rate was higher – around 15 per cent – still a depressingly small number.

There is nothing new about low turnout rates for school board elections and even casual observation reveals that a significant proportion of potential voters remain steadfastly unaware of a school board's functions and even less so of the identity of the person who represents them.

This can be the result of indifference or irrelevance, as most parents tend to deal directly with schools when issues arrive. As most education policy is established at the provincial level, local school authorities tend to become enforcers and transmitters of decisions made elsewhere.

It also doesn't help that some Boards are astonishingly reluctant to share meaningful information with their constituents.

This year's election was particularly important and the most important outcome may have been dictated by the vast majority who chose not to participate. The pathetic participation rate – particularly, but not exclusively in francophone boards – will be the subject of much official comment as it underscores claims that school board elections are too expensive and no longer serve a purpose.

In Quebec, where concentration of decision-making is a sacred mantra, the very purpose of the boards has come under severe scrutiny.

School boards in North America have historically been prime examples of local democracy in action. Communities would gather to see to the general education of their children, keen to ensure that their offspring would receive the kind of basic education deemed essential for their success in the local community.

Thus, a community of fishermen could choose a curriculum geared towards needs that would differ considerably from those of a mining community nearby.

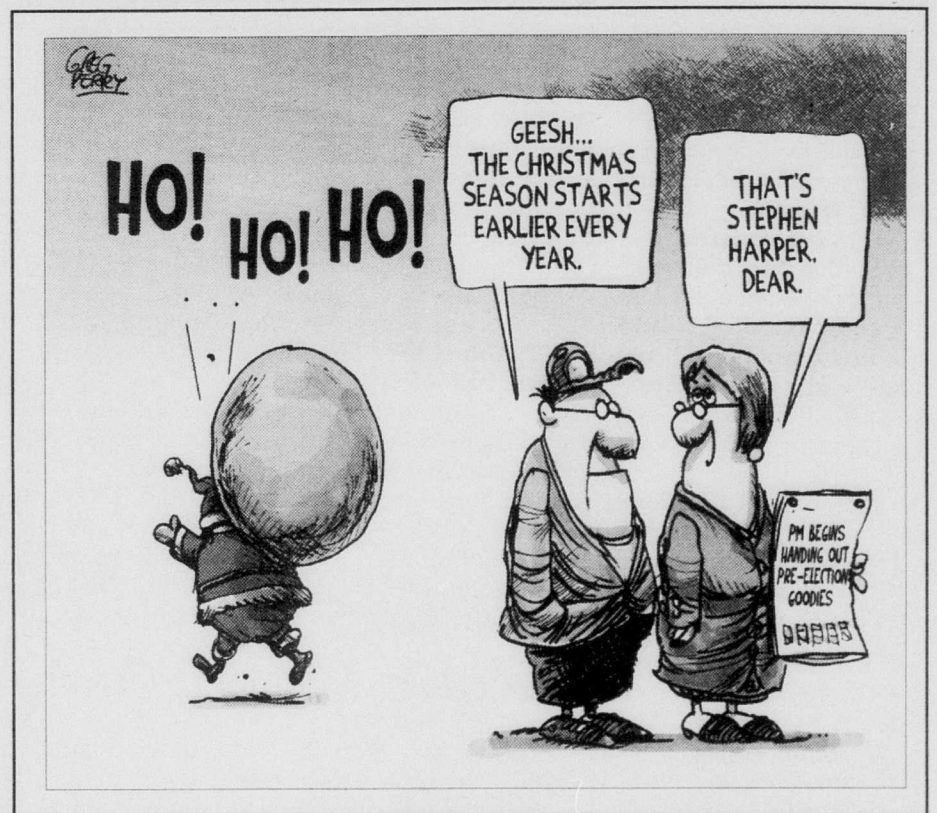
In Quebec, this tradition took a different turn, as public francophone education was placed firmly in the hands of the Catholic church. English Quebecers, much less comfortable with distant, centralised authority, chose to follow its own traditions.

At Confederation, the two founding religious communities were guaranteed control over their own education systems – a situation that remained until the distinction was refocused on linguistic, rather than religious differences late in the 20th Century.

The insistence on community control of schools rested on the understanding that schools teach much more than "reading, 'riting, and 'rithmetic," but also impart the community's values into its youngest members.

It was in schools that community standards, attitudes, prejudices, and ambitions were transmitted to the next generation and undesirable or rebellious behaviour sanctioned. Academically, the purpose was to provide basic skills and information that would pave the way for more advanced study, if desired, while at the same time producing a literate and socialized work force prepared for the exigencies of an industrializing society. Machines were taking over and operators needed to be able to understand the instruction manuals.

Over the decades, society and its economic underpinnings have become increasingly complex, as have the basic educational skills required to participate fully. Much of The Record's readership, for example, may remember their one-room schoolhouses with affection, but



few would argue that they could fulfill our modern requirements. A high school education may have been enough to guarantee a well-paid lifetime job at "The Rand" [the old Ingersoll-Rand factory - ed.] a half-century ago, but not today. The Rand and its ilk are long gone from Sherbrooke now, and most employment requires much more specialized training, not to mention that "life-long" jobs have become a distant memory for most.

As educational requirements became much more complicated and expensive, the Quebec government began to assert direct control over educational policy, and established common curricula designed to meet government, rather than local, requirements. While local particularities remained, the general direction of modern education became standardized and policy determined by the central government.

Local school boards, however, maintained their taxation rights, but gradually became primarily the instruments of policies designed and elaborated elsewhere.

On the other hand, school boards still can, and occasionally do, initiate local projects and initiatives that distinguish them from their neighbours. The Eastern Townships School Board, for example, imposed a controversial across-the-board laptop program designed to incorporate modern information technology into the pedagogical process and to ensure that its students became at least 'literate' in the use of this technology, a proficiency that has become as necessary for success today as reading and writing were 100 years ago. Schools teach computers today in much the same way they once taught pencils.

Nevertheless, with the Couillard government's determination to rein in the provincial budget, it is not surprising that its two most important envelopes, health and education, have come under close scrutiny. Proposals for the reform of the health system may provide a template for what the government has in mind for education.

Local, community-based organizations are being dismantled and reassembled into larger, less autonomous entities, whose make-up will be determined by the central authorities and whose primary purpose will be to carry out government policies with less popular input and virtually no popular control.

With so few eligible voters taking part in school board elections, the government can be forgiven for coming to the conclusion that school boards have lost their democratic justification and proceed to get rid of them.

The government has not yet come out into the open with this conclusion, but it did give notice that participation rates would be carefully examined to determine future actions.

For the province's anglophone community (as well as those who qualify by inheritance), the issue of school board survival has a more onerous component.

English-language school boards are the only public institutions in Quebec controlled by anglophone communities and the only democratically-elected body specifically mandated to protect their interests. Their loss would be of major symbolic, if not practical, significance.

English schools could become drowned in a francophone sea in which its interests would have considerably less influence. Reaction to the former PQ government's plans to enhance the study of Quebec nationalism and alter profoundly our understanding of our history represents a striking case in point.

The government has not yet made public its plans for education management reform and wisely waited to allow voter participation rates to prove their point. The verdict is in.

If Quebecers, even anglophone ones, don't care enough about their school boards to save them, there's no good reason for the government to do so.

Silence is consent, they say, and the people have spoken by shutting up.

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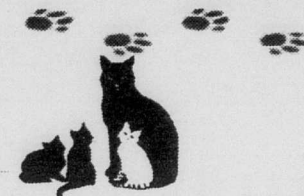
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THE PET CONNECTION




Jen Young

Making sure a stray is a stray

In the past week, I have had at least 10 phone calls from people about "stray" cats around their house. Two of these instances I was able to lead someone looking for their cat to people who reported strays and in one instance, a cat was actually brought in, but later we were able to find its owner, who lived on the same street as where the cat was coaxed in to a carrier to be brought to me.

We all know that the population of abandoned and stray cats is atrocious, so much so that dozens are euthanized each week at local shelters. A combination of people being irresponsible with their unsterilized pets and abandonment, but sometimes, actually more times than people would think, the cat is actually owned and either needs a hand getting back to its owner or needs to be left alone. How can you tell if the cat that has been spotted lurking around your home is actually owned?

It's not always easy, but in my experience, it is always best to treat the animal like it does have a home to go home to. Like children, cats are always hungry. If they miss one meal, they chow down like they haven't eaten in days, but, the worst thing you can do is offer food to a stray. A cat will most likely eat if you put something out for them and what you have done is tell that cat that it is welcome to stay. You don't want a cat, happening to be out and about and exploring, sticking around. You want him to keep moving and get home to eat.

A common mistake I see people make is jump to conclusions, "he was so starving", "she was so skinny", "he must have been dumped off." There is a thin line between a thin cat and a skinny cat. Numerous cats are thin, could be in their breeding, or young unfixed animals, or they actually get very good food and do lots of running around.

I think we are too accustomed to our regular "fat" house cats and when we see a cat outside without the lazy roles most of our housecats have, which the vets will tell you is unhealthy, we auto-

matically assume they are malnourished. That is a wrong assumption.

Again, according to vets, cats without an ounce of fat on them, only muscle, are in better health than our Garfield-like lazy kitties at home. Older cats are also prone to be thin. After a few days of ignoring the stray and not feeding it, if it is still around and has not left, then and only then, does this animal need a hand to find its way home.

I have reiterated numerous times how important it is to follow the legal steps when you find a lost animal. An animal is indeed, in the eyes of the law, someone's property and it is illegal to keep any found property without informing the authorities. In most cases, that is your local SPA. Keeping an animal, or giving it to someone else after it is found, can in fact leave you with criminal charges of theft. The law says you need to search for the owners for a "reasonable" amount of time and should owners come forward, you will need to prove the steps you have taken should there be a dispute.

However, when you do find an animal, should you need to buy food or necessities for that animal, when the owner is sought, it is also in the law that the owner must compensate you for what you needed to spend to help that animal get home, so keep your receipts.

Chances are, if you see a cat around your house once in awhile and it doesn't really come close or stops only once in a while for a pat, he most likely has a home and is happening by, the worst thing you can do is try and trap it.

Ask neighbours, but keep an attentive eye on the situation incase it was indeed abandoned or is lost. Sometimes, interfering with a cat you see once in a while, is the exact reason why it doesn't get home or ends up in a shelter and heaven forbid, in some cases, euthanized when really it lives up the street and doesn't really like anyone but its master. Being responsible can, and always has, save a life.

Our motto should be "all proceeds go to saving lives"

With another \$5,000 vet bill, after just paying off \$3,000, how happy do you think it makes me when someone who adopted an animal from us that we saved (which always costs me way more than the actual adoption donation to save) tells me, "Oh, no, I can't afford too much so I get my food at Walmart."

It bothers me so much. I know it shouldn't. I don't save them for people to then turn around and support the

store, but what upsets me the most is we have food that works out to be actually cheaper than Walmart. Our Krunchies are the equivalent to any big name store brand. First, it is 50 pounds. No one else anywhere has 50-pound bags and second, 50 pounds is only \$37. PLUS when you keep 12 bar codes you get a free bag.

We only bought the store last year so we could keep saving animals. Without the store (which needs to do well to pay its own bills so I can keep using my pay to pay vet expenses), we have nowhere to keep our animals and if the store continues to not be able to pay its own bills, I will not be able to pay the vet expenses. I will have to start putting my pay back in to the store. The store is not the animals, but without the store, we can't save the animals.

They go hand in hand even though they are separate. Please, if you adopted an animal that we saved, please think of purchasing your food at Blue Seal to help us continue to help others. We have the equivalent to any food you are presently buying - quality and price - and our ability to continue to save others comes from our ability to keep the store open.

It's actually hurtful to me to hear people say that they buy their food somewhere cheaper. You can't get much cheaper than our Krunchies and if you are on a no-grain diet we have that too, a raw diet, we have that too. Have lots of Barn cats to feed? We have Barn Cat which is only \$26 a 40-pound bag. The difference between our store and any other?

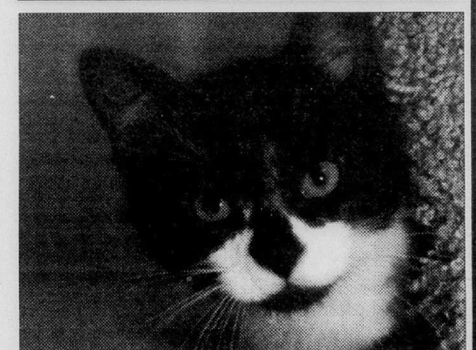
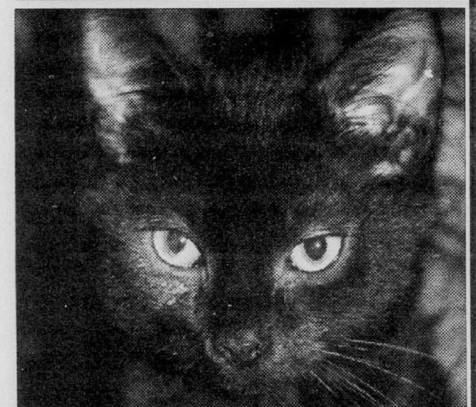
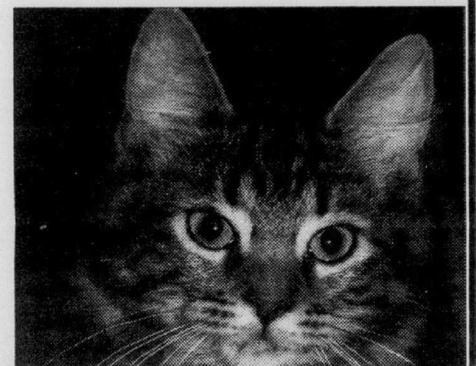
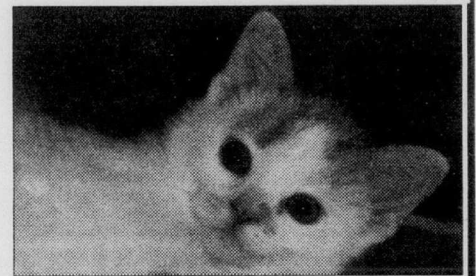
The money made goes directly in-house, to the animals that have been saved from death: 36 dogs and 34 cats. We don't see any profit from any of this and never will. When we do well, we save more animals. Yes, the point of all this is because I'm getting through my year-end financials and, needless to say, the store is not doing what I had hoped it would do when we took on this very risky venture last year: pay its own bills so that I could use all my own money for the animals. It's a scary time, actually, and when I see this and worry about this and then to have someone come in and say, "I love my ??? that I adopted, but, oh, no, I buy my food at Walmart," it just upsets me.

I don't think Walmart has as much riding on that \$30 as we do, namely lives! Even if you didn't adopt from us, know that any penny spent at our store goes to helping save a life, for real! You know how some big names (as their owner is actually living on some beach somewhere) say "a portion of all pro-

ceeds go to helping animals" yeah well our slogan should be "Every Penny Of What You Spend Is Crucial To Save Animal's Lives." Anyway, on that note, I want to seriously thank every single one of you that do understand exactly what we do and do support us. The animals thank you.

Kitten mania

For the first time, in a long time, I can say that we actually have more kittens ready for adoption in our "kitty house" than we have adult cats. Are you looking to adopt a new family member? Stop in and visit, or visit our Facebook page, The Pet Connection Lennoxville for their photos.



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Local Sports

"To win gold when you couldn't break into the top ten in your three prior attempts is a story for the ages"

Morin inspires cross-country coach

SES student captures Brian Heath cross-country run

By Mike Hickey
Special to the Record

Sherbrooke's Lea Morin is a perfect example of perseverance and "never-say-die" attitude that is an intrinsic aspect of any champion athlete.

The Grade 6 Sherbrooke Elementary School student recently won the Eastern Townships School Board annual Brian Heath run, a performance that her coach Glen Faucher described as inspirational.

Lea finished 13th two years ago as a Grade 4 student at the ETSB run, came in 14th in Grade 5 and then in Grade 6 she won gold.

Faucher expected big things from Lea during the running season and was pleased when

she came in a strong third in the SES run.

"In the SES run we couple Grade 5s with Grade 6s and, despite giving it an awesome effort, she finished third after the two Grade 5 runners," Faucher said.

"The third-place finish proved to be a key cog in her mental development. It started her belief that good things could come."

Faucher devised a plan for Lea in the ETSB run, to pace herself with LES's Hannah Gilpin who had won the gold medal in 2013 and silver in 2012.

"Lea did exactly what she wanted to do, she followed Hannah until the final two soccer fields," Faucher said. "When she made the turn she was just a



COURTESY

Sherbrooke Elementary School student Lea Morin (in white) won the ETSB's annual Brian Heath run.

few steps ahead of the two Lennoxville runners, Hannah Gilpin and Brianna Beaudoin."

The push was on and Lea prevailed and took home the gold medal finishing a second ahead of Brianna.

"I've seen some amazing stories of accomplishment at that run over the years but to win gold when you couldn't break into the top ten in your three prior attempts is a story for the ages," Faucher said.

"Especially when you factor in that she had to beat the prior champions in the process. I will use this story to inspire all of my runners until I retire. Words can't explain how I feel about Lea as a performer and her performance.

"She's an inspiration to me."

Toronto Blue Jays to return to Montreal for two pre-season games in April

By Bill Beacon
The Canadian Press
MONTREAL

After last year's roaring success, playing more pre-season games in Montreal was an easy choice for the Toronto Blue Jays.

The ball club and co-promoter Evenko announced Tuesday that Joey Votto and the Cincinnati Reds will face the Blue Jays in exhibition games April 3-4 at Olympic Stadium.

Toronto hopes to duplicate the frenzy last year when 96,350 fans turned out to see the Blue Jays sweep a pair of exhibition games from the New York Mets, although the turnout was spurred mostly by the fans' wish to bring Major League Baseball back to Montreal.

"The fans of Montreal, the way they welcomed us, it was a no brainer for us to come back here again this year," Blue Jays president and CEO Paul Beeston said at a news conference. "I don't think we could ever have expected what we received last year.

"There was an atmosphere in there you can't describe. I said to the commissioner 'You had to be there and feel it.' It may not be a World Series game, but it certainly had the feel of a playoff game."

General manager Alex Anthopoulos said he hopes to play at the Big O every year until Montreal lands its own team.

The event will include tributes to former Blue Jays star

Roberto Alomar and manager Cito Gaston as well as Tony Perez, who starred for the Reds and the Expos.

Turning out in large numbers is viewed as a means to show the city is ready to have a team again. The Montreal Expos, who played in the National League from 1969 to 2004, moved to Washington to become the Nationals.

It would require finding an owner and a building a new stadium, likely at public expense, but Mayor Denis Coderre backs the idea and there is an organization called the Montreal Baseball Project led by former Expo Warren Cromartie working on building support and trying to land a franchise.

Beeston said the Blue Jays would welcome a rival in Montreal. Moreso if they played in the same division in the AL.

"It would be the best that could happen," he said. "Hockey (is) six games a year, that would be 18, it would be a weekend.

"And now, with interleague play, it's not like you can say we need the two leagues represented in the country. It would just make it more exciting. I would endorse that in a heartbeat."

Reports said the Tampa Bay Rays, who play in Toronto's division, may be looking to move if they don't get a new downtown stadium, but Beeston was not about to endorse the relocation of any team.

"They've had a lot of success on the field and maybe, with a

new stadium in a new location, the game can grow there," he said.

Coderre said Montreal will make an "action plan" to help land a team.

"We need to send a clear message," he said. "Everyone has to do their part for baseball."

The Blue Jays had several requests from teams interested in being their opponents at the Big O. Beeston said the "Votto factor" was part of the decision to play the Reds. Votto, a Toronto native, was National League MVP in 2010.

The games will be Toronto's last before their regular-season opener on April 6 against the

Yankees in New York.

Instead of playing before a few thousand fans at a spring training game, they expect a boisterous throng in the domed Big O.

But rather than seeing it as a distraction, Anthopoulos calls it an ideal tune-up for the regular season.

"You can't ask for anything better," he said. "That's why so many clubs reached out to us.

"The game was watched across the league. It was an event. Olympic Stadium, packed house. In spring training games, you don't have that type of environment. It was a great way to get your team ready."

Anthopoulos said the Blue

LOCAL BRIEFS

QMBL teams on the move

The Quebec Major Baseball League announced a pair of franchise shifts on Tuesday. The Granby Guerriers, who struggled to finish last season, will head to St-Jean-sur-Richelieu, while the Montreal FGP Construction (formerly the Orioles) have decamped to Shawinigan, marking the return of the QMBL to the Mauricie region.

There was no word on whether any realignment of the league's two divisions would result from the moves.

Storto picks up Sherbrooke Phoenix academic honours

David Storto has been named the Phoenix scholastic player of the month for October.

The 19-year-old right winger is currently studying physics at Bishop's University, after graduating from St. Paul's School of Concord, N.H., earlier this year.

So far, in 19 games this season, the Mascouche native has 12 points on six goals and six assists, along with a plus/minus rating of -7.

Jays plan to be aggressive in the free agent and trade markets in the off-season, but did not get into the specifics of his plans.

"We think we're very close," he said. "We were in first place last year for quite a while. We were eliminated with four or five games to go. We just need that one little push to get us over the top.

"I'm as excited about this off-season as I've ever been."



FILE PHOTO - THE CANADIAN PRESS/PAUL CHASSON

Toronto Blue Jays' Ricardo Nanita is congratulated by teammates after hitting a single scoring Munenori Kawasaki to beat the New York Mets 5-4 in the ninth inning Friday, March 28, 2014 in Montreal. The Blue Jays will face the Cincinnati Reds in a pair of pre-season games April 3-4 at Olympic Stadium.

In Memoriams

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*This day is remembered and quietly kept,
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They walk beside us every day,
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So loved, so missed, and so very dear.*

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Death

Ruth Patricia POWELL (née Sarrasin)

Passed away at her home in Compton, on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, Ruth Powell at the age of 78. Wife of Murray Powell, and dear mother of Laurie (Peter) and Lorne (Kim). Grandmother of Sasha (Nick), Forrest (Estelle), Shannon (Jonathan) and Spencer, and great-grandmother of Riley Jay. Ruth was the daughter of the late Peter James Sarrasin and the late Mary Dealtry Shore. Survived by her brothers and sisters; Rita (late Doug), Fred (Margaret), Margaret (late William), and Robert (Susan), and will be missed by her many nieces, nephews and dear friends.

Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 3006 College, Sherbrooke (Lennoxville), where friends may visit on Thursday, November 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. A funeral service will be held at the Waterville United Church on Friday, November 7 at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Jim Potter officiating. Interment in the Milby Cemetery. Donations to the Milby Cemetery, c/o Joan Powell, 4470 Rte 147, Waterville, QC J0B 3H0 would be greatly appreciated by the family.

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Death

Lloyd George SCHEIB (1938-2014)



It is with great sadness and after a long and hard fight with cancer, in front of his lake, Lloyd Scheib passed away in peace and serenity. He was the beloved son of the late Nicolas Scheib and the late Odette Rabbath, and the loving husband of Lyse Emond.

Lloyd Scheib leaves to mourn his two daughters: Linda-Gayle (Jean Francois), Lysa-Gina (Daniel), their mother Paulette Couture; his brothers: Renaud (Eva), the late Vitol, and the late Donald (Dianne); with great regret he also leaves his grandchildren: Annie-Audrey, David, Nicolas-Alexandre, as well as many other nephews and a niece. He was an honorary member of the Sherbrooke and Stanstead Rotary Club, and he leaves to mourn many precious friends and good neighbours.

Family and friends are invited to meet at the Steve L. Elkas Funeral Home (601 Conseil St., Sherbrooke) on Friday, Nov. 7, 2014 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. On Saturday, Nov. 8 from 12 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. when we will depart for the funeral service, which will start at 1:30 p.m. at the St-Ephrem Church (150 13th Avenue Sud, Sherbrooke). The burial will be held at a later date in Elmwood cemetery.

The family would like to thank everyone at the CHUS for the kind and professional care given to Mr. Scheib. As a memorial tribute, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society (3330 King Ouest, Bureau 130, Sherbrooke, QC J1L 1C9) or St-Ephrem Church (150 13e Ave. Sud, Sherbrooke) would be appreciated.

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Rebekahs Hold District #2 Meeting

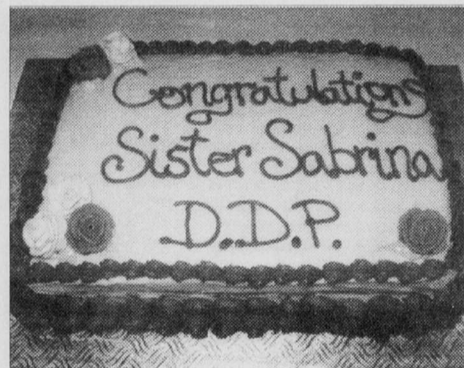


Front row, l-r: Pres. Susan Lawrance VG &PP, Sylvia Lefebvre; and DDP#2 Sabrina Royea; 2nd row: Mildred Holliday; Joy Royea; Janice Gordon; Gladys Cook; Doreen Findlay; Ruth Blanchette; Dorothy Premont; Laura Burnham. Last row: Arnold MacKeage; Dick Sarasin and Everett Arnott. (Photo by Ernestine)



stuffed ourselves - those who did not attend missed a darn good meal and an excellent meeting.

After the dishes were cleared away and Hall set up, Dick Sarasin, the Noble Grand of Riverside no.12, called the meeting "to order". After Opening in form, the District Deputy President Sabrina Royea was introduced and extended the Honours. She then asked her Conductor to present all Assembly and Grand Lodge Officers of all branches of the Order. The Appointed were introduced first, then the Elected



Officers except the President of the Rebekah Assembly of Quebec and the District Deputy Grand Master. All received proper greetings and verse.

Deputy Grand Master Arnold MacKeage standing in for GM Ed Coping was then introduced and given the Honours. Then he was seated at the left of the DDP. Then Sabrina's mother, Assembly President Susan Lawrance, was presented and given 'the Honours'. A verse was read and her song "On the Wings of a Dove" was played and sung. She was then seated at the right of



Sabrina. Sabrina proceeded with the meeting in a timely fashion and extended "the greetings" of the assembly as well as her own personal greetings, and thanked her lodge for a fine job for all their work and all those for attending. Sabrina was a Past President of our youth group, Dove There Rho Club - now closed, and we are very proud of her!

The meeting was turned back to Dick, with thanks to all who worked to put this together and for all attending. Meeting closed in form.

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CELEBRITY CIPHER by Luis Campos

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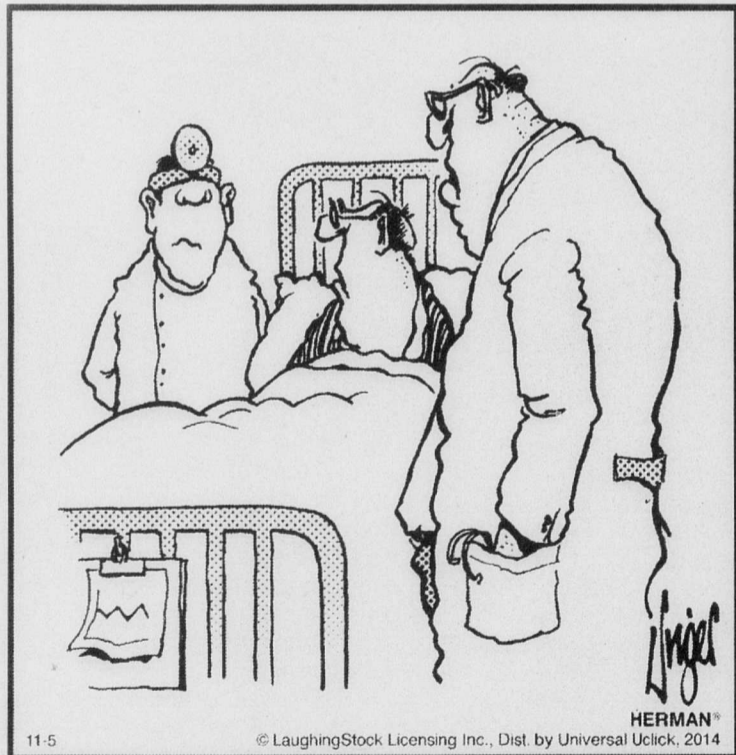
Previous Solution: "This is a frightening statistic. More people vote in 'American Idol' than in any U.S. election." — Rush Limbaugh

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HERMAN



"You've got to start sometime. Why don't you operate on this one?"

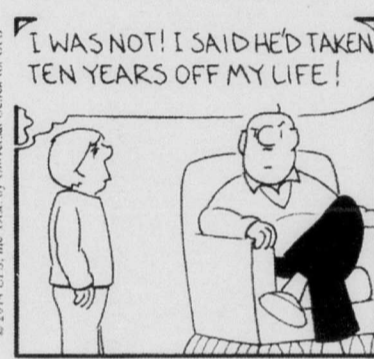
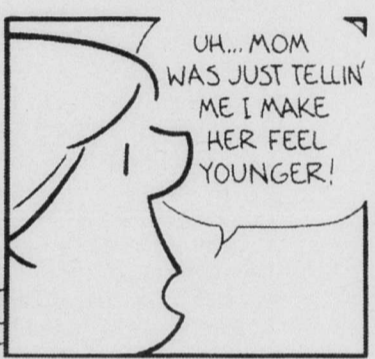
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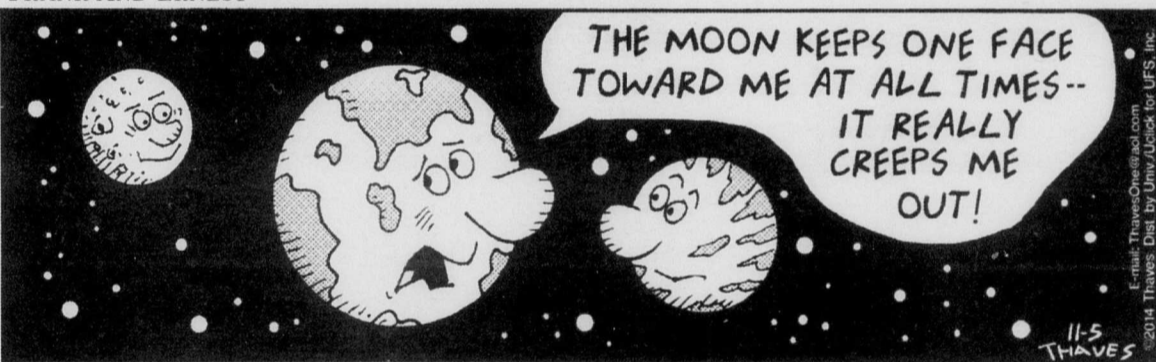
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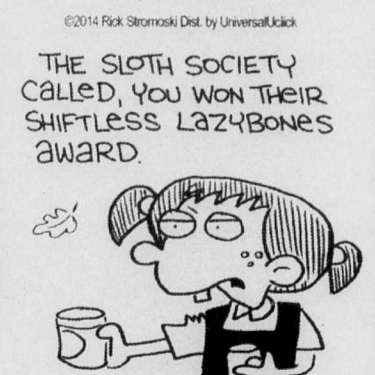
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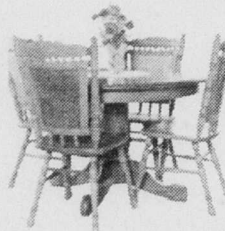
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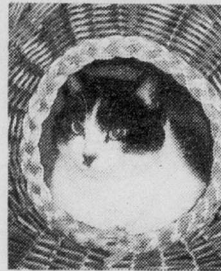
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Happy 100th Birthday

Catherine (Kay) Brock will be celebrating her 100th birthday on Monday, November 10, 2014

Her family wishes to invite her friends to help celebrate this very special occasion at an open house to be held on Friday, November 7, 2014 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the living room of the Wales Home.

Refreshments will be served - Best Wishes only please

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Your Birthday

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2014

Collaborating with successful people will bring valuable returns. Take the advice of someone who has more experience and clout. You will be able to use the information you receive to improve your personal or professional situation. Positive thinking will bring stellar results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Your powers of persuasion are undeniable. Once you make a commitment and put yourself on the line, others will join in. Show your leadership abilities in order to gain respect.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Keep up with changing trends. Sign up for a course that promises solid information about various technological advancements that could do wonders for your career.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Consider an investment opportunity. Do the groundwork and avoid joint ventures. Someone you are close to will be overly sensitive. Making yourself scarce could be the way to go.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Put your needs first. Accept the challenge that a leadership opportunity offers. Have faith in your skills and talent. Consider mentoring others; it may help you accomplish more in the end.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Look beyond the present and broaden your list of potential business partners. Choose a person whose opinion you value and whose drive and determination best

match your own.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You'll be faced with trying individuals today. Refuse to let anyone draw you into a futile battle of wills. Save your energy for pursuits that are worth your while.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Tie up loose ends. Update your legal, medical and financial documents, and make travel plans that could help you out professionally and give you incentive to work harder.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Do whatever it takes to put a little spice in your life. Be a participant and show off your flirtatious personality. A close friend will bring you unexpected news.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Don't allow family problems to interfere with your job responsibilities. Be mindful of where you are, what you are doing and with whom you are dealing. Mediation will be required.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — There is always room for improvement. Expand your mind, interests and friendships. The knowledge and experience you gain will make you a sought-after commodity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Follow through on your home improvement ideas. Put a realistic plan in place that will bring positive results for the lowest price. Don't try to achieve everything all at once.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — You will experience troubling times if you get into a disagreement. Talking to an outsider about your concerns will give you an interesting perspective regarding how to rectify the situation.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2014

Fireworks in England and at the table

By Phillip Alder

Jeff Foxworthy joked, "You may be a redneck if ... your lifetime goal is to own a fireworks stand."

That is timely because this is Guy Fawkes Night in England. Fireworks are set off and bonfires burn an effigy of Guy Fawkes, whose gang tried to blow up the Houses of Parliament in 1605.

There were fireworks when today's deal was played. What do you think of the auction, what should West lead against three clubs, and what is the outcome?

East's passed-hand takeout double was aggressive but acceptable. South was right to rebid one spade. Then West might have passed, but one no-trump was reasonable. That should have been passed out (and defeated), but South could not resist one more bid. West's two-spade call was imaginative, given South's one-spade rebid. That contract would have required excellent guesswork by West; however, one can understand North's three-club raise.

West found the best start: a low trump. South took the trick with his king and led a low spade. West carefully put up his eight, but then strangely shifted to the diamond six, instead of continuing with

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Dealer: East			
Vulnerable: North-South			
South	West	North	East
1♣	Pass	1♥	Dbl.
1♠	1NT	Pass	Pass
2♣	2♠	3♣	All pass
Opening lead: ??			

the club jack (not that that defeats the contract if declarer plays hearts twice through West).

Declarer won with his diamond ace and should have led a heart or ruffed a spade, but he played a diamond to dummy's king and ruffed a diamond low. West happily overruffed and led the club jack, on which East discarded his heart four to give West count in the suit. So, when South won and finally tried a heart, West ducked and the contract had to fail.

CROSSWORD

Across

- 1 Desert partly in northern China
- 5 Allergic reaction
- 9 Make overly dry
- 14 Air or Mini
- 15 Capital on a fjord
- 16 Union Pacific Railroad headquarters
- 17 Acidic
- 18 Laser __
- 19 Up to this point
- 20 "The Sound of Music" heroine
- 23 Ho Chi Minh City, once
- 25 Tribute in verse
- 26 Part of ETA: Abbr.
- 27 Fresno-to-L.A. direction
- 29 Altar oath
- 30 Conk on the head
- 33 *Common Italian restaurant fixture
- 36 Construction site sight
- 38 " __ Nagila"

Down

- 39 '50s vice president
- 41 Snow Queen in "Frozen"
- 42 Unsuitable
- 44 *Completely in vain
- 46 Remains in a tray
- 47 Row-making tool
- 49 Photo lab blowup: Abbr.
- 50 Had a meal
- 51 According to
- 52 Appeared
- 54 Breakfast serving, and a hint to this puzzle's circled letters
- 60 Soap vamp __ Kane
- 61 Novelist Turgenev
- 62 Laryngitis sound
- 65 Handled bags
- 66 Insect eggs
- 67 Hockey great Phil, familiarly
- 68 Stimulate
- 69 Swiss abstractionist
- 70 Former Russian autocrat

Across

- 24 Koreans, e.g.
- 28 Party-planning site
- 29 All-__ printer
- 30 One of two talking animals in the Old Testament
- 31 Like some training
- 32 Rang out
- 34 Ray gun sound
- 35 Outer: Pref.
- 37 Get ready to drag
- 40 Drivel
- 43 1994 Jim Carrey movie
- 45 "Break __!"

Down

- 48 Planet, poetically
- 51 Hoosier hoopster
- 53 Blue heron kin
- 54 Tennis divisions
- 55 Field goal?
- 56 Grammy winner Coolidge
- 57 Sausage serving
- 58 Like some movie twins
- 59 Historian's tidbit
- 63 Fancy tub
- 64 ESP neighbor, to the IOC

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