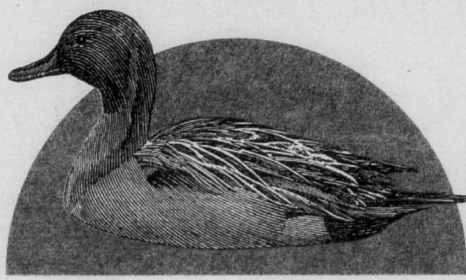


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Province contributes to \$2.9 million expansion of Camp Garagona

By Ann Davidson

Order of Canada recipient, the late Lily Butters was a pioneer in defending the needs of and building of support services to those who had family members with intellectual disabilities. In the 1940s she founded a home for handicapped persons in the village of Austin. As the agency expanded it also shifted in format, going from institutionalization to de-institutionalization and social integration of its clients. Butters had become the brand name for the myriad services offered in the wide region east of the St. Lawrence River.

But as Director General of The Butters' Foundation Ron Creary emphasized, something has never changed. When "Lily" was helping families by



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"Respite gives breathing room to families and caregivers." Dr. William Barakett, president of The Butters Foundation, Minister Pierre Paradis, Guy Gilbert, president of the Camp Garagona Association.

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TBL: Year one a slower recovery than new administration hoped for

By Ann Davidson

November 2013 marked a dramatic change of guard for the dissatisfied citizens of the Town of Brome Lake when a new mayor and five new councillors were elected into office and leaving only one from the previous administration to carry on. One year into it and there is a kind of a hush in Knowlton part of TBL. At a local garage, clients are saying that things in town feel a lot better. The same sentiment is reverberated at some of the restaurants. After seemingly a number of years of turmoil from the ranks there are rumblings that "things are going a lot better now."

It was a tough start with a double-header to take care of. Just over one month into it, Mayor Richard Burcombe's administration was faced with the challenges of the ice storm that resulted in almost eight weeks of lingering consequences. Coupled with that unforeseen event, an untimely boil water advisory imposed by the Quebec government lasted throughout the winter months.



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Work on sidewalks on St. Paul Rd. in Knowlton.

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November 3-14

The Brome County Historical Society will feature its annual "Display of Remembrance" from Monday, November 3rd through Friday, November 14 at the Centennial Building, 130 Lakeside Road in Knowlton. Visiting hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, including the weekend of November 8 and 9. Admission is free; donations are always appreciated and will be put toward the cost of framing a World War I recruitment poster.

November 12, 14

Bingo every Wednesday at the Sutton Legion, 2 Curley St., Sutton. Jackpot of \$200 or more. Start at 6.30 p.m. Bring your friends and lucky charms. Info: 450-538-2864. Also social night every Friday at the Sutton Legion. Come and play cribbage and bridge. Donation of \$2. Come and have fun. Hot dogs and hamburgers now available. Info: 450 538-2210.

November 15

Get your tickets for **Townships Expressions in concert** and celebrate regional music with Amos Joannides and Sarah Biggs at Bandeem Hall, in Lennoxville, on Saturday, November 15. Presented by Townshippers' Association with the support of Canadian Heritage and the Ville de Sherbrooke. Ticket buyers can meet and mingle with these home-grown artist during a special reception at 5:30 p.m. Concert begins at 7 p.m. Tickets on sale now, \$25 general admission, \$20 students and seniors, from Townshippers' Sherbrooke office at 257 Queen Street or call 819-566-5717 (toll free 1-866-566-5717), online at TownshipsExpressions2014.eventbrite.ca or at the door. Tickets will not be available from Bishop's University or the Centennial Theatre box office.

Chicken n' biscuits luncheon will be held on Saturday, November 15, at noon at Bishop Stewart Memorial Church, 5 Ch. Garagona, Frelighsburg. Cost: \$12-adult, \$5-10yrs. Reservations: 450-248-1145 or 248-3581. Door prizes.

Indoor flea market will be held at the Sutton Royal Canadian Legion, 2 Curley St. Sutton, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 15. New and old items. Soup and sandwiches available. Info: Susanne 450 263-6505.

The Mental Health & Well-Being Support Group. Please note: The next meeting will be Saturday, November 15. Please phone Linda: 450-243-0928 or pleasantvalley001@gmail.com for the location of the meeting. Join us for an opportunity to share experiences in a safe environment and receive support, information, encouragement and acceptance. Having support makes all the difference!

Christmas bazaar will be held on November 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St.

George's Anglican Church, 130 rue Principale, Granby. Homemade bake table, Christmas items, crafts and raffle. Light lunch: \$6, children \$4. All are welcome.

Christmas sale at Odd fellows' Hall, 480 Knowlton Rd., Knowlton, on Saturday, November 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information: 450-243-6778 or 450-242-1445. Sponsored by Knowlton Lodge, #28.

Opti-Tea, the Yamaska Valley Optimist Club tea party, will take place on Saturday, November 15, at 2 p.m. at the Lac Brome Community Centre. All proceeds go towards "Bringing out the Best" in kids and community. Each guest gets to choose (and keep) their teacup! Door prizes too. Tickets are \$15. Contact Lenore: 450-243-1951 or Wendy: 450-263-0259.

November 16

All-you-can-eat brunch will be hosted at the Sutton Legion on Sunday, November 16. Eggs your way (omelettes are our specialty). Donation of \$8. For adults, children 6 to 8 yrs \$4, little ones are always free. 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., everyone welcome. 2 Curly St Sutton Qc. Info: 450 538-2210.

November 17

Knowlton Coffee Break: "The Great Debate" 1:30-3:30 p.m. A fun way to help sharpen your public speaking skills. Brome Lac Community Centre, 270 rue Victoria avantebarb@bellnet.ca.

November 18

Open til'8: Cooking Class "Cooking with Bacon" with Liz, 6 p.m. Suggested donation: \$2. Avante Women's Centre, 15 rue du Pont, Bedford. 450-248-0530. avantebarb@bellnet.ca.

November 20

The Ladies Guild of All Saints Anglican Church, Dunham, are holding their **annual holiday soup and dessert luncheon and bake sale** on Thursday, November 20. The bake sale begins at 11:30 a.m. and the luncheon at noon. Donations: \$8. Reservations: 450-295-2349 or 450-263-3329. Everyone welcome and remember, "always fresh - nothing frozen."

November 20 and 22

The directors of L'Harmonie des Saisons present: **Recital en duo, viola da gamba and harpsichord**, with Mélanie Coriveau and Eric Milnes: "A travel in the Parisian salons," on Thursday November 20, 8 p.m., at St. Edwards's Church, Knowlton, and Saturday the 22, 2 p.m., at St. Matthew's Cultural Center, Stukely-Sud. Tickets available at Brome Lake Books and Depanneur Rouge in Knowlton and at the door the night of the event. Regular \$30, students: \$10, free for kids under 12 (Stukely-Sud: 450-539-1309). www.harmoniedesaisons.com.

November 22

Heroes' Memorial annual pre-Christmas sale will be held Saturday, November 22, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 317 Rue du Sud, Cowansville. Come and browse through our wide variety of holiday items, home baking, knitted items, wood crafts, leather goods, as well as new and used books. Light lunch served.

Creek fall soup and dessert luncheon will be held on Saturday, November 22, from noon to 2 p.m. at the Creek United Church, 278 Brill Road., West Bolton. Assorted soups and apple crisp. Donation \$7. Contact: May Banks 450-243-0280.

November 29

Christmas bazaar will be held at St. Paul's United Church, Waterloo, Saturday, November 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Luncheon served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: \$6. A nice variety of crafts, home baking and candy will be available. Don't forget our huge silent auction which ends at 1 p.m. Everyone welcome.

November 30

Christmas concert featuring In-A-Chord Trio and guests will be held on Sunday, November 30 at 2 p.m. at Knowlton United Church, 234 Knowlton Rd., Knowlton. Tickets: \$10.

December 6

Christmas bazaar will be held on December 6 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Trinity Anglican Church, 409 Sud, Cowansville. Handicrafts, baked goods. Lots of Christmas goods and decorations. Light lunch available. For information or table rental call: Jane 450 378-8692.

ARTS CALENDAR

November 15, 16, 22, 23

Robin Badger and Robert Chartier are opening their pottery studio to the public for their **12th annual exhibition and sale**. Robert's new collection of one-of-a-kind works will be unveiled alongside Robin's blue porcelain line. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested to come and visit the studio, see how things are made with clay, chat with the artists, see their recent creations and perhaps discover an amazing and unique gift for that special someone. Christmas is just around the corner! Their studio is located at 67 Bailey Road in West Bolton and the show runs for two weekends, November 15, 16 and 22, 23, open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. All are welcome! For more information 450-242-2836 or www.robinbadger.com.

CHURCH BULLETINS

CREEK/WATERLOO PASTORAL CHARGE

Thursday Nov. 13 - Soup and Bible study pt. 2 on Psalms 11:30-2 Sunday, November 16 - worship and music: Creek United, 278 Brill Rd., West Bolton, ser-

vice and Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.; St. Paul's United, 4929 Foster, Waterloo, service at 11 a.m. Reverend Dave Lambie, minister. For information or to leave a message call: 450-539-2129.

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

24 St. Paul's Road, Knowlton. www.stpaulsblog.wordpress.com. St. Paul's - a dynamic, diverse community pursuing and serving Jesus in the Eastern Townships. 8 a.m. Said Book of Common Prayer worship. 10 a.m. User-friendly "blended" service with traditional, contemporary and modern music and format. Sunday school. Every welcome. For information call: Rev. Tim Wiebe. 450-242-2885.

KNOWLTON-MOUNTAIN VALLEY PASTORAL CHARGE

Serving the regions of Knowlton, Bolton Centre, Mansonville and Vale Perkins. All are welcome to attend. Worship services at 11 a.m. Knowlton United Church, 234 Knowlton Road (450-243-6078). The Rev. Ryk Allen, officiating. A warm welcome is extended to all. Handicapped access available.

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

A thinking faith, a joyful sense of justice, and a God who loves every living thing! Our Sunday worship service is at 203 rue Principale, Cowansville at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Join us for a harvest-themed coffee house this Friday, Nov. 14 at 7 p.m. - great local musicians and singers, snacks and refreshments. Freewill offering. Proceeds to the Centre d'action bénévole de Cowansville's food bank. Church office: 450-263-0204. Minister: Rev. Eric Lukacs. Website: emmanuelcowansville.ca.

SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH - DUNHAM

Sunday services and Sunday school at 10 a.m. - all welcome! The Rev. Sinph Han. Information: 450-295-2045.

ANGLICAN PARISH OF BROME

First Sunday of the month service will be at Holy Trinity, Iron Hill, second Sunday of the month will be at St. John the Evangelist in Brome, third Sunday of the month will be in West Brome at Church of the Ascension, fourth Sunday of the month: St. Aidan's, Sutton Junction. All services are at 10 a.m. Info: Evelyn Best 450-243-6739.

ÉGLISE CATHOLIQUE ST. ÉDOUARD CATHOLIC CHURCH

366 Knowlton Road, Knowlton. You are invited to participate in a bilingual Mass Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Christian meditation is now on Wednesday afternoons 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (side door) except in July and August. The group is now bilingual and has been formed to introduce meditation to newcomers. We

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TBL mayor and council honour athletes

By Ann Davidson

Instigated by the West Brome sector of Town of Brome Lake's Ron Myles, last Monday, November 3 the town's soccer teams were honoured by Mayor Richard Burcombe and councillors in a small and short gathering at the TBL Community Centre.

Though the event was a short notice effort and almost half the athletes and coaches were present, Myles has been cogitating for a couple of months over the importance of recognizing all the young athletes who have participated in the past season. He was particularly impressed with their results given that five out of ten tournaments were won by TBL teams. And he wanted to also recognize the efforts of the volunteer coaches who devote so much time to the athletes.

The tournaments mark the culmination of a season of friendly competitions between Sutton, Dunham, St. Alphonse de Granby, and Waterloo. There are 10 categories (teams) for each municipality. Each team meets once a week for practice and once a week for competition. In mid-August they get together for a big tournament that counts.

"This is a huge commitment from the players and the volunteer coaches," said Nicholas Boisvert, program coordinator of TBL Recreation and Community Services.

Not to be forgotten is the micro-soccer league 55 youngsters strong and energetic and full of fun, all between four and six years old. They meet only once a week. They are given some drills to develop some specific skills required for the sport as well as warm up exercises and then they are just free to run around. There is no competition, no pressure. It is meant to be the entrance point to whet their palettes with hopes that they will be grabbed and continue.

Registration fees for the participants, even though the coaching is cost-free, help to cover equipment needs as well as the athletes' affiliation with the Quebec Soccer Federation.

Boisvert wants people to know that the first organizing meeting for the 2015 summer season will be held at TBL Community Centre on Wednesday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m. Boisvert is counting on interested volunteers to show up because he admits that without volunteers there can be no program.



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Mayor Richard Burcombe and some of the soccer athletes of Town of Brome Lake at a special gathering last week to honour their successes in 2014.

For more information call Nicholas Boisvert at: 450-242-2020 ext.: 312 or e-mail at: Nicholas.boisvert@ville.lac-brome.qc.ca

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welcome beginners and experienced meditators. Regular attendance not required. Information call Clare at 450-243-5590.

TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Church with a "Heart," 409 South St., Cowansville. All Sunday services are at 10:30 a. m. Come and join us as we endeavor to learn and practice God's loving will. We'd love to welcome you. Reverend George Campbell. Info: 450-955-3325. (leave message).

SUTTON - DUNHAM UNITED CHURCH PASTORAL CHARGE

A warm welcome awaits you at the Sunday worship services led by Rev. Gayle Chouinard in Dunham at the Martins' home at 9:15 a.m. and in Sutton at Grace Anglican Church at 11:30 a.m. Information: 450-295-3251 (Dunham) or 450-538-0530 (Sutton).

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www.gracechurchsutton.org.

CORNERSTONE CHURCH OF BEDFORD

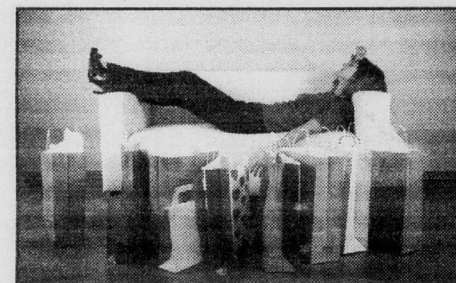
We warmly welcome everyone to come and worship with us every Sunday at 10 a. m. and Friday at 7 p. m. We are located at 6 Massicotte, Bedford. Information: Pastor Paul Gibson: 1-514-667-2292 or 450-296-4135

ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

130 Principale, Granby, welcomes everyone for Sunday service at 11 a. m. All welcome. Bienvenue a tous. Canon Wm. Terry Blizzard, rector. Information: 450-372-2197.

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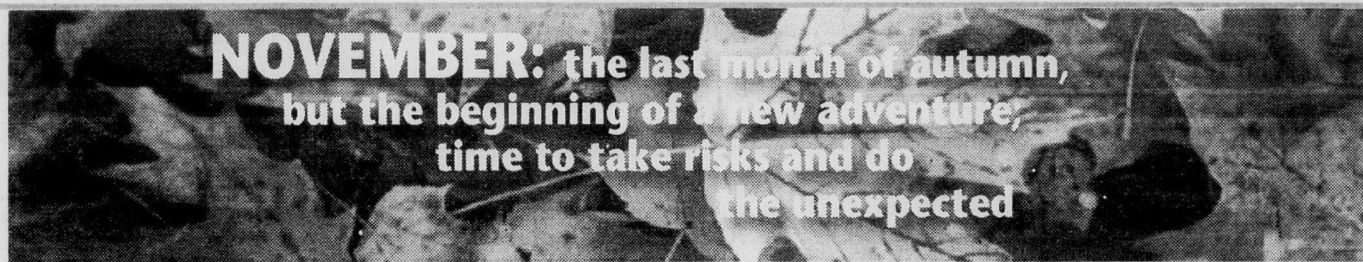
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Sutton remembers

DEAR EDITOR:

The year 2014, marks the 100th anniversary of the start of what became known as the Great War. This anniversary has been making headlines all year. Rightly so as more than 600,000 Canadian soldiers served and 66,000 lost their lives without mentioning the thousands wounded physically or mentally.

Mr. Jocelyn Vachon, son of Mrs. Denise Vachon of Sutton, published a great article in volume 20 of Heritage Sutton's historical booklets on our town's contribution to the war efforts. Sutton and its township had a population of 3,906 at the time. Some 160 Suttonites served in the Great War and twenty-five died in action, the first casualties occurring in 1915.

The Sutton Legion, to ensure remembrance is not restricted to the start of the war, intends to honor the memories of the Sutton families who lost a relative in each year of the conflict. This would mean three families in 1915, three in 1916, seven in 1917 and 11 in 1918.

Therefore Sutton would see recognized at the 2015 Armistice ceremonies, the families of Gordon Cook killed in ac-

tion (KIA) on April 24, 1915, Joseph Hall (KIA) April 24, 1915 and George Whitford (KIA) October 20, 1915, recognized at the 2015 Armistice ceremonies.

Much has changed in Sutton since 1918 and many families who had members who saw military service on WWI have settled in the area since. Their memories should not be forgotten and your Legion will gladly include their names on its lists.

The Facebook page of Branch 158 of the Sutton Legion is: Legion Sutton. On that page you can find the updated list of Sutton soldiers who gave their lives in the Great War and a partial list of those who serve under the colours.

It is hoped that in the process of this initiative sufficient information will be provided by the concerned families for the Legion to produce a souvenir album, which will eventually be donated to either Heritage Sutton or the BCHS museum.

Please contact Comrade Robert Gaudreau at the Sutton Legion or at 450-538-5030 for further information.

MGEN (RET) ROBERT GAUDREAU
Sutton Legion

One step closer to a decision on the Mont Foster issue

DEAR EDITOR:

Since work at the Domaine Mont Foster came to a standstill in April of 2012, property owners in the development have been blocked from building their homes, even though they have been paying taxes to the municipality for some years.

Work was stopped because the developers had not obtained the appropriate certificate of authorization for road construction from the MDDEFP. Soon after that, the MRC of Brome Missisquoi effectively banned new road construction outside of urban perimeters. As a result, the development could not expand beyond the road already "legally" built.

Unfortunately, even the owners of the seven lots on the "legally constructed" road are unable to build until the MD-

DEFP issues a certificate of authorization for the road. And the MDDEFP could not consider the file until the project conformed to all municipal regulations.

Recently, the seven landowners on the legal road presented us a plan that conforms to our regulations, allowing us to recognize Phase 1 - for the development of seven lots - and issue a certificate of conformity. This certificate clears the way for the MDDEFP to study the file and make a decision.

We expect eventually, in Phase 2, to receive the plan for the subdivision of four additional properties in the development, bringing the total to 11 properties, the maximum now permitted on a dead-end road.

DON BADGER
Mayor, West Bolton

Winners of Townships Expressions in Concert CD giveaway

Townshippers' Association is pleased to announce the winners of our Townships Expressions in Concert CD prize pack. Held in advance of the concert celebrating regional music on November 15 at Bandeem Hall, two prize packs of current releases by featured artists Amos Joannides and Sarah Biggs were up for grabs. A big thank you to those who submitted contest entries and early ticket buyers who were also entered into the draw.

Now, here are the Townships Expressions in Concert winners picked from our drawing:

Bonnie Lepitre wins Amos Joannides albums, "My Name is Amos" and "I want to see you smile."

Sheila MacLean wins Sarah Biggs albums, "Ruled by Emotion," "Rising Sign" and "Surface Tension."

Congratulations! We will notify you to make arrangements to get your new music to you right away!

Tickets to Townships Expressions in Concert can be purchased for \$25 general admission, \$20 students and seniors from Townshippers' Sherbrooke office at 257 Queen Street, call 819-566-5717 (toll free 1-866-566-5717), online at TownshipsExpressions2014.eventbrite.ca or at the door. Tickets will not be available from Bishop's University or the Centennial Theatre box office. Tickets include pre-concert wine and cheese reception at 5:30 p.m., concert begins at 7 p.m. For more information give Townshippers' a call or visit Townshippers.org.

COMMENTARY

Going door-to-door to support our veterans

Lynda Dupuis
Constituency assistant,
MP Pierre Jacob's office


Many former members of the Canadian Armed Forces and the RCMP as well as their families still do not have access to health care, benefits and other forms of assistance. They fully deserve our gratitude and our support. To make matters worse, the front-line offices of Veterans Affairs Canada are now being shut down.

It is shameful that the military personnel and RCMP officers who served their country have to battle the govern-

ment to get the benefits and services to which they are entitled. The NDP presented a plan to stop the cuts to veterans' services but, sadly, it was rejected by the Conservatives. Our veterans deserve better.

MP Pierre Jacob's team is inviting the people of Cowansville to go door-to-door on Saturday, November 8, and circulate petitions urging the government to improve services to veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces and the RCMP.

Volunteers are to meet at Pierre Jacob's constituency office at 505 South St., suite 207, in Cowansville at 1 p.m. Training will be available for canvassers.

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Bjarnason wins local competition in Lions Peace Poster Contest

Errol Frechette
Knowlton Lions Club

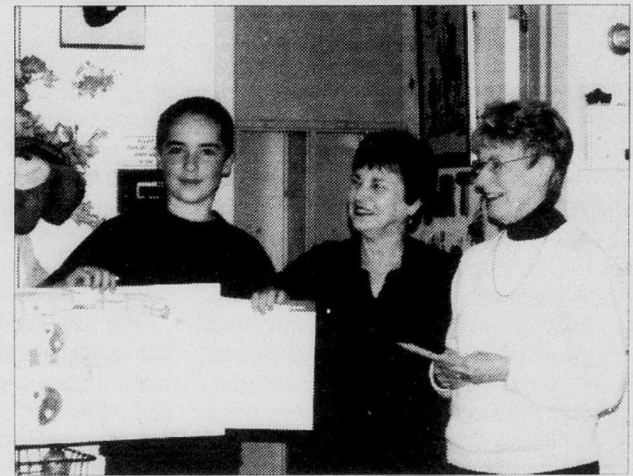
Each year, Lions clubs around the world proudly sponsor the Lions International Peace Poster Contest in local schools and youth groups. This art contest for kids encourages young people worldwide to express their visions of peace. For more than 25 years, millions of children from nearly 100 countries have participated in the contest. The theme of the 2014-15 Peace Poster Contest is "Peace, Love and Understanding." Students, ages 11, 12 or 13 are eligible to participate.

William Bjarnason, a Knowlton Academy student, has taken the first step to becoming an internationally recognized artist by winning a local competition sponsored by the Knowlton Lions Club. His poster was selected by members of the club for its originality, artistic merit and portrayal of the contest theme.

William Bjarnason's poster will advance through the district, multiple district and international levels of competition if he is to be declared the international grand prize winner. One international grand prize winner and 23 merit award winners will be selected. The grand prize includes a cash award of US \$5,000, plus a trip for the winner and two family members to a special award ceremony. The 23 merit award winners will each receive a certificate and a cash award of US \$500.

The other finalists in the competition were Jada Belghouar, Justin Garrick, Hailey Russell and Zacharie Pare. The members of the Knowlton Lions Club are cheering for William as his poster advances in the competition, and we hope that his vision will ultimately be shared with others around the world.

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization with more than 1.35 million members in 208 countries and geographical areas around the world.



William Bjarnason, holding his poster and award, Lion members Bev Crandall and Louise Wing.

Knowlton Lions Club Christmas Food Baskets



Lions members and volunteers at work assembling baskets.

Errol Frechette
Knowlton Lions Club

Those wishing to apply for a Christmas Food Basket may pick up an application form at the Community Center in Knowlton. Residents of West Bolton, Lac Brome and Brome are eligible for the baskets, which come in large and small sizes, according to the number of dependents. Applicants will be required to present income, number of dependents and residency information. The deadline for application is no later than November 21.

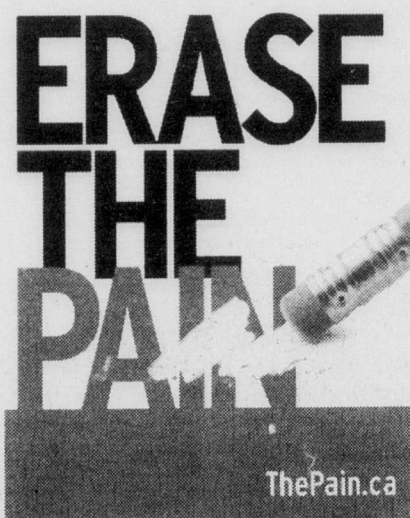
Volunteers are needed for assembly of the Christmas baskets, which will take place at Knowlton Academy on Friday De-

ember 19 at 7 p.m. (To extend a helping hand please contacts the Crandalls at 450-243-6608.) Any new toys for the baskets can be left at the Community Center or Knowlton Academy before December 19.

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Expansion of Camp Garagona

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taking them in, "Butters Foundation continues to help; only difference being is that we are helping by not taking them in. And respite is the new mantra of the Butters Foundation," he explained. "We help families by supporting them with support services." Caregiver stress can lead to physical and emotional distress that can interfere with your ability to provide care. It can break families."

The Butters Foundation and Butters Homes has always had a close relationship and mission in that they support the well-being and development of quality lifestyle for those who have intellectual handicaps. And they ensure the support to families and caregivers. It has been a strong partner and supporter for Camp Garagona.

It's been more than 40 years since Camp Garagona opened its doors to campers with intellectual disabilities and behavioural challenges. Overlooking the bucolic landscape of Frelighsburg, a community settled by United Empire Loyalists in the 1700s, the Garagona is known for the experiences only camp life can offer to those who might never have had the chance. It also serves to provide the necessary respite for families and caregivers of people with special needs.

Yesterday, Monday, November 10, a jointly organized press conference was held at Camp Garagona by Quebec's Ministry Municipal Affairs, The Butters Foundation, and the Camp Garagona As-



Camp Garagona under construction for purpose of expanding its respite services.

sociation, and attended by the Minister of Agriculture, MNA Pierre Paradis to celebrate the \$2.9 million expansion of the camp. Held on the site of the current construction project, in Minister Pierre Moreau's absence, (Minister of Municipal Affairs, MAMROT), Paradis announced the province's commitment of \$750,000 toward the project.

Paradis recounted the early days of the camp reminding all that it would not be here today if it would not be for the efforts of former hockey player, the late Doug Harvey. He also emphasized the need for respite.

"With the demands that these people with handicaps have on their families or caregivers this camp allows them to have some breathing room." He went on to congratulate all those who had worked ardently to raise the necessary funds to make the project happen. "It takes a lot of heart and soul to make this kind of thing happen. The determination to never abandon the project is truly commendable."

Dr. William Barakett, president of The Butters Foundation, lauded the contributions from the likes of McConnell Foundation and the Rossy Foundations as well as the many others who have invested.

Camp Garagona is a bilingual camp for the intellectually disabled as well as for people with autistic spectrum disorders. Operating for 40 years, it provides summer camp experience and respite care service on weekends and big holidays throughout the year. Though available to all persons living in the province, Garagona has a history of accommodating 50 per cent of campers coming from the Montreal region and the balance from within the territory of the CRDITED de la Montérégie-Est.

The expansion is a two-phase operation, starting with the new main building that will house winterized activity rooms and then the second phase is to create an arts centre. At this point there is no market during the week. However the Camp Association is willing to rent the facility to other organizations or groups.

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Who Are They

By David Edmond

Who are they?

Two people, unknown to each other,
But linked by a common bond.
Years apart in age,
And miles apart in domicile.
Each had a reason for living,
And in the end, dying for their beliefs.

Two soldiers, proud of their chosen career.
One wearing the kilt of his regiment, fulfilling his lifelong dreams.
A reservist, chosen to serve as a sentry,
At the tomb of the Unknown Soldier.
The other, having completed an accomplished career,
Was preparing to put down his roots.
Retirement beckoned and he was prepared.

Unknown to the nation, but respected by peers,
They rose to prominence in the hearts and minds
Of a country at war.
For both of these soldiers would fall while on duty,
Serving their country dear.
The elder of the two, was felled by an auto.
A zealot, who soon met his end, at the wheel.

The youngest,
Was shot in the back,
By a deranged, irresponsible soul
As he stood at his post.
This misguided assailant was also dispatched,
By the forces of order,
Who answered the call.

They died days apart,
At the most memorable of times.
Three weeks short of Remembrance Day
Two thousand fourteen.
A nation in mourning for all gone before,
Have now two more victims to add to the score.

For Nathan Cirillo,
And Patrice Vincent,
Are remembered as victims
Of a world gone astray.
They wore the uniform of their country
And for that they should die.

Who are they?

Two of the reasons we can stand here today,
Free of all bondage, and free to speak out for the welfare of all.
If all of us were as responsible as these,
And took time to accept our duty as citizens,
We could ensure that our country will forever be
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And delivered to our door.
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Must strive to attain through the ballot box,
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Not all citizens choosing to cast a ballot.

When that happens,
Then the sacrifices of all our Nathans
And Patrices, are in vain.
We know Nathan and Patrice,
And stand shoulder to shoulder with them
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Hockey Hall of Famers traded sticks for rifles

By Neil Davidson
THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hall of Fame goalie Johnny Bower lied about his age to enlist for the Second World War. He was just 16.

"They wanted to see my birth certificate and I said 'We had a big fire at home.' And I said it was burned," Bower recalled Monday with a healthy belly laugh. "I lied there just so I could get in."

"I wanted to go with my other buddies," he added.

Years later, the ugly truth of war remains with the former Maple Leafs great, who turned 90 on Saturday. Many

of those friends didn't come back.

"I was lucky, very lucky to be back here," said Bower, the laugh suddenly gone.

The sacrifice of those and other hockey players is captured in a new Hockey Hall of Fame exhibit called "Hockey Marching As To War" which was unveiled Monday on the eve of Remembrance Day.

The Hall says 40 of its inductees were First World War veterans, with another 31 serving in the Second World War.

Some of those names live on via NHL and other trophies: Jack Adams, Conn Smythe, Frank Selke and Hobey Baker.

The Memorial Cup, the symbol of ju-

nior hockey supremacy, was conceived as a way to honour young men who traded their hockey stick for a rifle and paid the ultimate price.

Capt. James T. Sutherland, president of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association, used the Cup to honour Allan (Scotty) Davidson and George Richardson whom he coached when they were Kingston Frontenacs. Both died in action in the First World War.

The Hall of Fame exhibit showcases a quote from Sutherland:

"With every man doing his bit, Canada will raise an army of brains and brawn from our hockey enthusiasts the likes of which the world has never seen.

The bell has rung. Let every man play the game of his life."

Sutherland was inducted into the Hall of Fame as builder in 1945.

The list of Hall of Fame veterans is a Who's Who of hockey, featuring the likes of Bower, Sid Abel, Syl Apps, Bobby Bauer, Max Bentley, Turk Broda, Roy Conacher, Hap Day, Doug Harvey, Punch Imlach, Tommy Ivan, Lynn Patrick, Bud Poile, Milt Schmidt, Tiny Thompson and Harry Watson, to name a few.

In a country where hockey rules, the sport took a backseat to the fight for freedom. As former Maple Leaf Ron Ellis,

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Year one a slower recovery

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With mostly greenhorns on the TBL council there has been much to learn by all during the inherent team-building period.

"We know that we haven't scored 100 per cent on our dossiers but now that we have a better understanding, next year we will be at cruising speed. Personally, I would have liked to see things like the dam, the Jolibourg well problems, and the sidewalks more quickly but the delays mostly came from the bureaucratic process and regulations of the provincial government," explained Lee Patterson, the youngest member of the six councillors. "There is a common vision and active participation amongst the council members."

This year has been one of making sure that past dossiers come to completion while responding to the current demands of the community. It has been difficult to think of moving forward with anything new when so much had to be dealt with.

In review there are several key factors to be proud of, said Patterson.

"That the big situation related to the Director of Public Works, Girard Viau, ended in resolution by consent is a major feat." Viau, an employee of TBL for 32 years, was alleged to have been a source of much discontent by citizens because of what appeared to be mishandled dossiers that ended up costing taxpayers a lot of money.

The Colibris and Fisher Point cases are finally moving forward and are in the hands of the courts. Decisions will be rendered in the coming months.

The Inverness ditch project that was the result of runoff problems related to development expansion was budgeted at a total of \$87,022.37. The Inverness Golf Club agreed to pay \$38,462.98 while the TBL settled on paying the balance. "This reversed a previous council's decision to split the balance with landowners because we could not determine with exactitude who should pay what amount."

The town is also waiting to clean up the land around the old town garage

that was located on Mount Echo road for 30 years. A grant application under the provincial program called "Climatosol" has been made for purpose of decontamination. Seventy per cent of the total amount could be covered by Quebec on provision that the land be used for community purposes like a public market or a park. The total cost is not yet determined.

And the land that turned into a swamp after two years of massive flooding caused by uncapped municipal water mains in Bondville has returned to its natural state.

Sidewalk repairs in Knowlton are finally underway and likewise the three remaining projects related to runoff water problems. The TBL administration is collaborating in unison with Renaissance Lac-Brome.

Burcombe, too, is pleased with the team. "We all have different viewpoints but at the end we come out with a decision that satisfy most."

He is proud that the taxes did not get raised this year. He knows, however, that in preparing the next budget the council faces cutback challenges that have recently been imposed by the Quebec government.

Burcombe is looking forward to reactivating the Jolibourg well (pending government decisions) hopefully at the end of the month, even though he knows that weather could be a factor in the timing of installing a necessary coil that is meant to facilitate even distribution of chlorine throughout the system. He is delighted that with the new pumps at

the two Bailey wells the town was not forced to rely on imported water this past summer. However, he also believes that everyone should always be less wasteful in terms of water usage, no matter what.

On the decision to support the salvage of the PH Knowlton House project even though it took four or five months to pass a resolution and the initial reaction of the citizens was not a popular one, Burcombe is pleased that it is happening and the way it is unfolding.

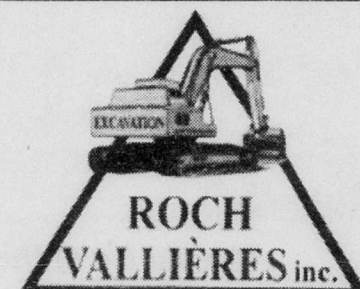
While the budget for next year is in the works and will be delivered by mid-December, the council is looking forward to engaging the community in early 2015 to draw up a strategic plan. The mayor anticipates including extensive work on Mill Pond dam and hopefully the plans to go forward with an indoor swimming pool. "That, of course, will be for the people to decide."

That all seems on track does not necessarily mean that everyone is totally satisfied with the TBL administration. Mark Bennett and Bill Shanks, residents in the sector known as Foster, say that most Foster residents are feeling like they have been forgotten, that effort is unfairly distributed toward Knowlton and not the smaller sectors. They feel that their needs in Foster are being ignored especially when it comes to infrastructure and in particular their crumbling roads, non-existent sidewalks and issues around septic systems that are affected by water runoff that has nowhere to go because of the clogged ditches. For the most part they are disappointed with their elected representative, Karine Fortin. They would like to actually have a meeting with her to discuss issues.

"So far, that has not happened." Apparently for over a decade the residents on Taylor Road have been promised a

sewer system. Yet it still hasn't materialized. Bennett says that this new administration is no different from the others before. "Maybe we will be a consideration in the 2015 plan. Not knowing if the sewers are coming makes it difficult to make a decision to install a new septic system at \$10,000. It might be a huge expense to any property owner for only a year's use per se," concluded Bennett.

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Century old tradition a novel fundraising event

By Ann Davidson

Chalk it up to Britain's 7th Duchess of Bradford, Anna, for introducing the idea of afternoon tea. In her days the ladies gathered in their lovely gowns and gloves to enjoy a vintage tea. Tables draped with white tablecloths, set with bone china, silverware, pretty posies and adorned with scrumptious delicacies were served with different flavors of tea.

The Yamaska Valley Optimist Club (YVO) is not suggesting that you must don your fancy frocks but hope that you will join them at a tea party for 120 that they are hosting at the Town of Brome Lake Community Centre this coming Saturday, November 15 at 2 p.m.

As president of the YVO, Suzan Smith says, "It's a fun fundraiser, an afternoon tea party, to initiate the upcoming holiday season's festivities, as well as to celebrate a very active and successful year of



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It's a perfect opportunity for you and your friends to get together or for grannies to have a special moment with

their granddaughters and a starting point for their own teacup collections," Smith explained, adding "and the value of bridging the generations is immeasurable. Not only will some go home with door prizes, there will be a raffle for a handmade quilt and you get to choose your own teacup to take home with you."

Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased in advance from Lenore 450-243-1951 and Wendy 450-263-0259. All profits will go towards funding our programs to help children, families and the community.

Says Smith: "It's been a very busy year for the YVO. Fresh from our success at last month's Walk for Women's Cancers, we are currently in the process of organizing Christmas Angels for disadvantaged families in the area. We have been involved with local schools — organizing the essay contest at Massey-Vanier High School, as well as making donations to the breakfast program at Heroes' Memorial School in Cowansville. We have "god-mothered" young people living in group homes and worked with the BMP Foundation on their fundraising. We have celebrated International Women's Day with a dinner, organized activities at Canada Day in Knowlton, and been a part of the Duckfest in Lac Brome.

"We are lucky to have very faithful community sponsors that help with all our activities. Thanks go to Opti-Tea sponsors, Maison Knowlton and Donna Coates for their help with this activity."

The YVO ladies are really hoping that you will usher in the holiday season with a warm cup of tea, among great friends who will surely appreciate a few hours together not unlike the way it was done a century ago.

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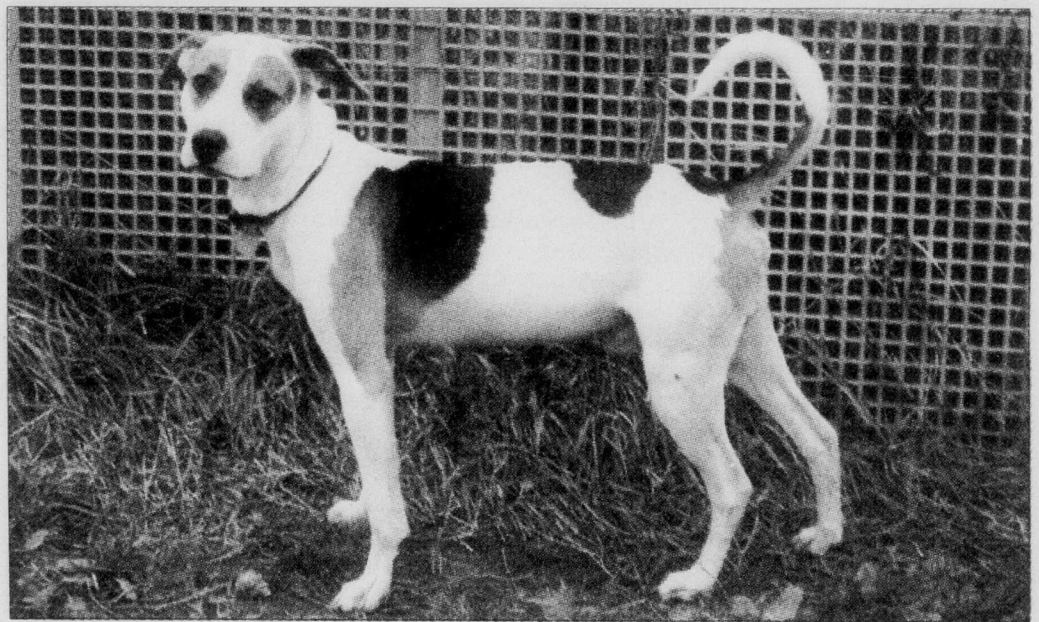
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Missisquoi Museum anniversary supper

Friday, November 21, 6 p.m.

Stanbridge East Community Center - 5 Academy St.

The Missisquoi Historical Society as part of the Missisquoi Museum's on going 50th anniversary celebration, will be hosting a supper, on Friday, November 21, at 6 p.m., at the Community Center, 5 Academy, Stanbridge East.

Guest speaker: Michel Racicot - Société d'histoire de Cowansville
"An original donation to the Sweetburg Hospital - The Campbell Farms"
Presentation: Philippe Fournier

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Hockey Hall of Famers

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a consultant to the Hockey Hall of Fame noted, entire leagues folded as men enlisted for the First World War.

Ellis's father Randy was playing for the Toronto Marlies when the Second World War broke out. He enlisted at 18, trading the hockey rink for a pilot's cockpit.

Gordie Howe was just 15 for his first NHL training camp, in 1943 with the New York Rangers. With players away at war, NHL teams were scouring for talent.

"They went and fought for their country, like we all did," Bower said.

At five-foot-nine, Bower cuts a relatively small figure. But like so many who volunteered to put themselves in harm's way, it is impossible to measure the size of his heart.

The teenage Bower spent two years in Vernon, B.C., before being stationed in England for a year. Rheumatoid arthritis eventually prevented then-Private Bower from going to the front.

"It's a good thing I didn't because the Germans were right there, just waiting," he said. "A lot of guys there were killed on the beaches. I know four or five good hockey players from Prince Albert (his hometown) were killed."

"Sure, it was scary," he added. "You wanted to go home, back to your family and your wife if you were married. I was

hoping that nothing would happen to me if I did see action. But that's the chance you take when you're fighting for your country."

Red Kelly, a Hall of Fame player who went on to serve in Parliament, was a teenager working on a farm to help supply troops during the Second World War. Later on, he saw the Korean War up close during a 1954 visit to the troops.

He still recalls seeing the barbed wire and the hills that men died to take.

"You'd win one hill and then you'd face another hill just like it, right behind it," he said.

Kelly lists off players who put their careers on hold to fight for their country.

"They served to save their country, what more can you say?" said the 87-year-old Kelly. "Some of them gave up their lives. They can't come back. But we have to think what they did for us."

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Declare those who died serving Canada in world wars Canadian citizens: petition

By Keven Drews
THE CANADIAN PRESS

When tribute is paid on Remembrance Day to the soldiers, sailors and flyers killed in the service of Canada during two world wars, Canadians also need to think about citizenship, say two advocacy groups.

Don Chapman and Howe Lee want Canadians to know that those who died before 1947, and whose graves are marked with maple leaves, are still not officially considered citizens by the federal government.

At issue is Ottawa's interpre-

tation of the law, which holds that citizenship didn't officially exist until Jan. 1, 1947, when the first Citizenship Act came into effect.

Chapman, of the group Lost Canadians, has started a petition, calling on the federal government to recognize as citizens the war dead who were killed before 1947.

He has also earned the support of Lee, who is the founder of Vancouver's Chinese Canadian Military Museum, and managed to convince Green Party of Canada Leader Elizabeth May to introduce the document to Parliament.

"If we allow this to continue, that our war dead weren't Canadian, let's go to all the graveyards in Europe and scratch out the maple leaves. Gone," said Chapman, who lives in Vancouver.

As founder of Lost Canadians, Chapman has spent years identifying gaps in citizenship laws and pointed them out to politicians.

His battle has included court cases, such as the one launched by a woman named Jackie Scott, who was refused citizenship even though she came to Canada at age two with her British mother and Canadian fa-

ther.

Chapman points to a legal response filed by federal lawyers in that case, stating Scott's father may have been born in Canada and served as a Canadian soldier but was not a citizen because the former Citizenship Act had not yet come into force.

Sonia Lesage, a spokeswoman for Citizenship and Immigration Canada, said the legal concept of Canadian citizenship has only existed since Jan. 1, 1947.

"That was not retroactive, and the act which created the concept contains no authority to grant citizenship posthumously," she said in an e-mail.

Lesage said recent reforms have included extending citizenship to more "lost Canadians" who were born before 1947 and to their children born outside of Canada.

"Some of the people who may now be able to get citizenship include many of the brave men and women who have served our country in past global conflicts, and whose invaluable contribution and sacrifice we formally commemorate every November," Lesage said.

But Chapman said there are many references to Canadian citizenship in government publications before 1947, including a manual that was printed in 1943 and given to members of the Air Force who were bound for England. The publication identified them as citizens.

He also pointed to a recruiting pamphlet, "A Call To Arms," which calls on the "loyal citizens of this dominion," to enlist, and even school readers, including one first printed in 1937 and called "We are Canadian Citizens."

Chapman said the gov-

ernment's current position means that even Dr. Frederick Banting, who pioneered the use of insulin in the treatment of diabetes, died as a non-citizen.

"This is made-up history that is wrong," he said of the government's current position.

Lee, an 81-year-old resident of Burnaby, B.C., who has been helping Chapman, said Chinese-Canadians fought and died for Canada during both world wars, even though they were not considered Canadian citizens or even British subjects.

Lee said that when he was born in Armstrong, B.C., in 1932, he was considered a registered alien and carried that title until 1947, when he became a citizen.

He said the same rule applied to Quan Louie, whose family owned the H.Y. Louie Co., a major retailer in B.C., though Louie didn't live long enough to become a citizen because his Halifax bomber was shot down during the Second World War. Louie was buried in a cemetery in Berlin.

Lee said another man, Fred Ho, was born in Vancouver, served in an Irish-Canadian regiment, but was killed in action in Italy.

"My feeling is that we can't or shouldn't forget our history and it should be recognized. And the injustice, like these Lost Canadians, I think that should be righted."

May said she has agreed to introduce the petition to Parliament when it's ready.

"For the most part, this is a matter of respect and setting this historical record straight," she said.

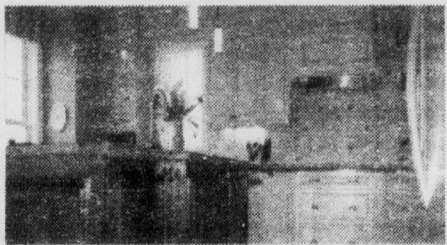
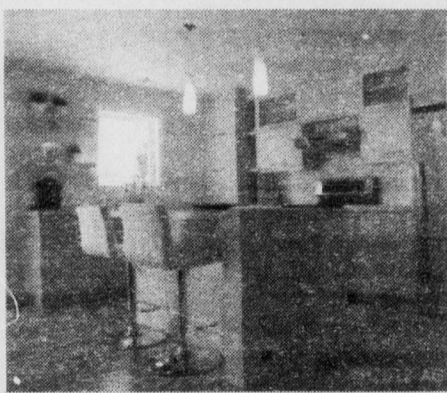
"These people were Canadian. And these soldiers, these people who gave their lives for this country, were Canadian citizens at the time and should be recognized as such, despite the weirdness of our laws."

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We must remember. If we do not, the sacrifice of those one hundred thousand Canadian lives will be meaningless. They died for us, for their homes and families and friends, for a collection of traditions they cherished and a future they believed in; they died for Canada. The meaning of their sacrifice rests with our collective national consciousness; our future is their monument.¹

These wars touched the lives of Canadians of all ages, all races, all social classes. Fathers, sons, daughters, sweethearts: they were killed in action, they were wounded, and thousands who returned were forced to live the rest of their lives with the physical and mental scars of war. The people who stayed in Canada also served – in factories, in voluntary service organizations, wherever they were needed.

Yet for many of us, war is a phenomenon seen through the lens of a television camera or a journalist's account of fighting in distant parts of the world. Our



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Canadians departing for active service in Europe during the Second World War, 1940.



A Canadian soldier kneels at grave of fallen comrade in the United Nations Cemetery, Korea, April 1951.

closest physical and emotional experience may be the discovery of wartime memorabilia in a family attic. But even items such as photographs, uniform badges, medals, and diaries can seem vague and unconnected to the life of their owner. For those of us born during peacetime, all wars seem far removed from our daily lives.

We often take for granted our Canadian values and institutions, our freedom to participate in cultural and political events, and our right to live under a government of our choice. The Canadians who went off to war in distant lands went in the belief that the values and beliefs enjoyed by Canadians



Funeral service for Canadians at Bramshott during the First World War.

were being threatened. They truly believed that "Without freedom there can be no ensuring peace and without peace no enduring freedom."

By remembering their service and their sacrifice, we recognize the tradition of freedom these men and women fought to preserve. They believed that their actions in the present would make a significant difference for the future, but it is up to us to ensure that their dream of peace is realized. On Remembrance Day, we acknowledge the courage and sacrifice of those who served their country and acknowledge our responsibility to work for the peace they fought hard to achieve.

During times of war, individual acts

of heroism occur frequently; only a few are ever recorded and receive official recognition. By remembering all who have served, we recognize their willingly endured hardships and fears, taken upon themselves so that we could live in peace.



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Canada Remembers Times The Great War, 100 Years Later

Veterans Affairs Canada

This year marks 100 years since the beginning of the First World War, a conflict that changed the course of history. Its repercussions still echo today as centuries-old empires were swept away, map borders were redrawn, and society was rocked by the bloodiest war ever seen to that time.

The First World War erupted on August 4, 1914. Britain declared war on Germany and that meant that Canada—then a part of the British Empire—was also at war. Many Canadians greeted the news of war enthusiastically and quickly enlisted so they wouldn't miss out on what they felt would be a glorious adventure that would be over by Christmas. Tragically, the fighting would drag on for more than four years on grim battlefields swept by deadly machine guns, ar-

tillery and poison gas. More than 650,000 Canadians and Newfoundlanders served in the First World War and more than 66,000 lost their lives.

Our soldiers sacrificed greatly, but their courage and hard-won experience earned them a reputation for being some of the best troops on the Western Front. They achieved impressive victories at places like Vimy Ridge and Passchendaele and in the series of battles at the end of the war that came to be known as "Canada's Hundred Days."

A number of First World War centennial commemorative events will be taking place in Canada and overseas between 2014 and 2018. How will you remember?

Canadian troops returning from the trenches.

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Bill to make Remembrance Day a national holiday inches closer to law

The Canadian Press

A New Democrat MP's bid to make Remembrance Day a national statutory holiday is now one step closer to reality.

Bill C-597, which would amend the Holidays Act to make Remembrance Day a statutory day off like Christmas or Canada Day, passed a second-reading vote in the House of Commons on Wednesday by a margin of 258 to 2.

The legislation, introduced by New Democrat MP Dan Harris, now moves to the Commons heritage committee for further study before coming back to the Commons for a final vote.

Ultimately, however, it would be up to

the individual provinces where Nov. 11 is currently not a holiday — Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and Manitoba, representing slightly more than half the country's working population — to change their individual labour codes.

Harris said he's confident the measure will become law, particularly in light of the recent deaths of two Canadian soldiers — tragic attacks that remain fresh in the minds of Canada's federal parliamentarians.

"On the 100th anniversary of the start of the First World War and given recent tragic events, I think there's some momentum in that direction," Harris said.

Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent was killed Oct. 20 in Quebec when he was hit

by a car driven by a man with jihadist sympathies. Two days later, Cpl. Nathan Cirillo was gunned down while standing guard at the National War Memorial.

The lingering memory of the attacks is expected to spill over into a collective show of mourning during Remembrance Day services across the country on Tuesday, and that's helping his cause in both the Commons and the Senate, Harris said.

Whether Canadians get a paid day off on Nov. 11 depends on where in the country they live and who they work for. Federal workers get a holiday, as do workers in the three territories and six provinces: Newfoundland and Labrador, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick,

Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

Conservative MP Erin O'Toole, a former Canadian Forces helicopter navigator, spoke on behalf of the government during debate on the bill in the Commons, and said the Tories will support it once it's amended at committee.

Harris said it's important to remember Canada's veterans "for protecting and fighting for the freedoms we value today."

He predicted that making Remembrance Day a national statutory holiday will result in more people attending remembrance services.

Remembrance Day was first marked in 1919 as the one-year anniversary of the armistice signing that ended the First World War.

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Canadian Women's Army Corps members during the Second World War.



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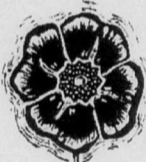
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

SPECIAL SITTING OF COUNCIL

A special sitting of Council will be held on Wednesday, November 19, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., at the Centre Lac-Brome's Buchanan Hall, located at 270, Victoria Street, Brome Lake.

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. Agenda - Adoption/Modification
3. Mayor's report on the Town's financial situation for year 2014
4. Publication of mayor's report
5. Second six-month period comparative statement - Tabling
6. Human resources
7. Minor exemption request - 8, rue des Alizées, lot3938535, zone ID-26-113
8. Request for financial assistance and authorization to use the public domain - Festival of lights
9. Fund for cultural and tourism related initiatives
10. Question period
11. ADJOURNMENT

In accordance with section 325 of the Cities and Towns Act, the deliberations at that sitting must deal exclusively with items on the agenda, save if all the members of the council are then present and consent thereto.

Given at Town of Brome Lake
THIS November 11, 2014

Edwin John Sullivan, B.Sc. LL.B.
Town Clerk

NOTICE OF MEETING

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PUBLIC NOTICE

APPLICATION FOR MINOR EXEMPTION

An application for a minor exemption will be heard at a sitting of Council to be held on December 1, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at the Buchanan Hall, Centre Lac-Brome, 270 Victoria Street, Brome Lake.

Persons interested by this application are invited to attend this meeting and communicate their observations.

Application no. 273

4 Sugar Hill Road, lot 4 267 578, zone Rf-11 (M16), East Hill district.

Nature and effects of the application:

Construction of a driveway having an average slope of 15%. Article 47 of Zoning By-Law number 596 requires a maximum slope of 12.5% for all access roads measuring more than 90 metres.

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Fulford News

Hostess Carla Wright offered delicious refreshments at the September meeting of the Social Club. Donations were given to the First Responders; Knowlton Academy; St-Edouard School; Brome County Historical Society; Kidney Foundation; Leucan; Pettes Memorial Library; Fulford United Church; Fulford Cemetery. Plans were made for the Harvest Soup Luncheon.

Ronnie and Lynn Banks of Nova Scotia joined with family and friends at Fulford Hall for a casual celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary (which carried on despite a power problem). The family also enjoyed Thanksgiving together, along with a chocolate cake (what else?) for Ronnie's birthday.

How good that Rita-Claire Edmonds is regaining her strength, following an accident, and was able to join in the celebration of the 150th anniversary of Fulford United Church.

(An aside: The painting of the church was completed just in time!)

The Sesquicentennial event was a warm occasion, conducted by Rev. Tom Edmonds who spoke on "Watching -Waiting - Listening." Rev. Dave Lambie, supervisor of this charge, also attended, and Beverly Quilliams read messages from former ministers of Fulford. Many favourite hymns were sung, accompanied by pianist/ organist Susan Reininger; Debbie Roy was soloist. Carla Wright presented A Simple History of Fulford United Church, 1864-2014; Clayton Brunton spoke on the former St. Stephen's Church (Anglican; of Fulford) and Margaret Fordham gathered information on other faiths in and around the community. Peter Quilliams presented Micro-Credit Project - Kiva Report. Included on the program was "Rural Sunday School," a poem about Fulford by E. Anne Pomeroy, published in the Montreal Star, ca. 1942. Warm autumn colours decorated the church and Fulford Hall where a reception was held following the service.

Condolences to the family of the late Sid de Solla, formerly of the Fulford/Foster community, a veteran of WW II.

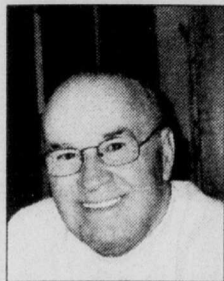
Condolences to Mary Anne Confortati on the death of her mother.

One more try: The name of Joey Lambert's bride is Florence Ferret.

Submitted by Margaret Fordham

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Death



J. Edward (Eddy) GRAHAM (1933-2014)

Peacefully at the Brome Missisquoi Perkins

Hospital in Cowansville, QC, Eddy Graham passed away on Wednesday, November 5, 2014, at the age of 80. Loving husband of Marilyn and nephew Steve Burles (Cheryl) of Cornwall ON. He leaves to mourn as well many other relatives and friends. Predeceased by his parents Muriel and John Graham and his sister Esther Corner.

As per his wishes, there will be no funeral or memorial service. Special thanks to the Palliative Care doctors and nurses and Winnie Page Sherrer, Doreen Reglin and Gayle and David Evans for their help and support.

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DONALD M.C. WELLS
Cowansville

The Voice of Saltimbanco from the Cirque du Soleil to be heard at the December Meeting of the Canadian Club of the Yamaska Valley

The Canadian Club of the Yamaska Valley invites you to enter into the spirit of Christmas by both singing and listening to many of the favourite songs and carols of the season, on **M o n d a y** December 1st at 2:00 p.m. at the Auberge West Brome. Our special guest to help us do that will be Francine Poitras,



who was the very first soloist in the Cirque du Soleil.

Originally from New Brunswick, Francine studied piano and dramatic arts at the University of Moncton, followed by a degree in classical singing at Laval University. This was followed by studies in the United States where she mastered jazz, musical comedy and gospel. She then studied the relationship between the ear and the voice in Paris. In 1992 she created the first singing character of the Cirque du Soleil, with the composer René Dupéré, featuring the "invented language", which since has remained the mark of this celebrated Quebec circus.

Since coming to the Eastern Townships in 2003, she has taught music and has performed with l'Orchestre de Musique de Films de Sherbrooke, for le Musée de Beaux Arts de Sherbrooke, as well as other local venues, including Bromont's St. John's Cultural Centre. In February 2013, the Canadian Government recognized her accomplishments by awarding her a Queen Elizabeth II diamond jubilee medal. She presently resides in Granby where she has created a warm and intimate atmosphere in her "Maison qui Chante", where she teaches piano and voice to children and people of all ages.

All are welcome to this meeting. A fee of \$10 is charged for non-members. Reservations for lunch at noon at the Auberge may be made by phoning 450-266-7552.

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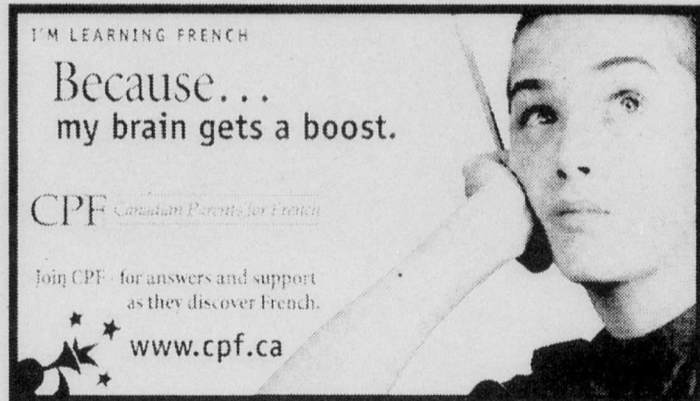
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