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You're Invited to Canada's Birthday Party

by Patricia Ball

Bring Your own food! Bring your own drinks! Invite your neighbour!

1992 is Canada's 125th birthday, and Canada is celebrating with a big party. This party will take place in your neighbourhood, but only if you participate. The party is limited only by your imagination, because the party is put on by you.

On June 14th, or at any other time this year, celebrate with other Canadians. Throw a party in your neighbourhood. Invite your neighbours and get to know them. Have a barbeque, a beach party, tea on your lawn, whatever type of party is your cup of tea. At 2:00 p.m. make a toast to "all our neighbours, à tous nos

Celebrating ..., and Event Planners' Guide. There is also a video of Canadian scenes. Show it at your party.

Some Canada 125 activities already registered to be held in the Townships are Friendship Day in Lennoxville; Canada Day in Bury, Hatley and Georgeville; a small party for residents at Barnston; Expo Trois Villages, a canoe race on the Missisquoi River and 'A Ride for Canada'.

Give any event in your area a Canada 125 colour. If you hold a summer tea at your church, or a neighbourhood picnic, register your event and turn it into a celebration of Canada's birthday. Organize a special event. Have your neighbours ever played horse



Canada 125 is a not-for-profit private corporation formed as a non-partisan organization to assist and to encourage Canadians from all walks of life and from everywhere in Canada to participate in celebrating Canada's 125th anniversary. Sixty representatives, including thirty-one community advisors, supervisors in Halifax, Montreal, Toronto, Saskatoon and Vancouver, and the 35,000-member PARTICIPaction volunteer network, will co-ordinate the festivities.

Events held under the banner of Canada 125 must be registered with the Corporation. Advantages of registering your event as an official Canada 125 event include: advice from local Canada 125 Advisors within your region, access to special Canada 125 publicity for your event, and access to special Canada 125 promotional materials.

Though not financing projects, Canada 125 acts as a rallying point and an official banner under which events are held. The celebration will be sponsored by Canadian corporations, with a minimum of input from government.

Some of the major projects under the banner are —

- "The National Neighbourhood Party", which is sponsored by Canada Dry.
- "Discovery Box" is a school-based program which, with the assistance of The Canadian Bus Association (Courier Express Divisions) and Grey-

hound Lines of Canada Ltd., will encourage classes to exchange information about themselves and their communities.

- "Parades of Honour" to be held across Canada recognizing the contribution made by the Canadian Armed Forces during the past 125 years.
- A television series "Canadian Heroes" which will be televised by two major networks across Canada.
- A "Super Concert" which will be held in Montreal on July 8. Some of the finest classical music talent in Canada will be showcased. This will be broadcast on both French and English television.
- A video contest, "Video Time Machine", will invite high school students to record the thoughts and memories of

their grandparents or of senior citizens in order to provide a sense of what it means to be a Canadian.

- "Festival Canada" a national music festival to take place at Banff Springs Hotel and Convention Centre April 27-29. School bands at the primary, secondary and university level will participate.
- The Canadian Olympic Teams will wear an official Canada 125 logo/crest on their uniforms.
- The "Weber-Malakhov North Pole Round Trip Expedition 1992." An international team will leave from Ellesmere Island on March 1 and return by mid-May. The trip will be without benefit of airpines, resupplies or electronic navigation.



Duncan Bruce, Mayor of Lennoxville, shows off, and Muriel Brand, Councillor — Cultural Committee, admires the Canada 125 flag to be flown on Friendship Day.

After the party send a postcard to "All Our Neighbours", Winnipeg.

This is a low-cost-to-the-tax-payers bash. The organizers have the use of PARTICIPaction staff and its publicity channels. Money is being spent only to publicize the event. There is no money to help pay for events. There are two booklets — *Great Ideas for*

shoes or croquet? Hold a tournament and award Canada 125 medals. For information or to register an event call Margie Brand, Community Advisor at [819] 564-0409.

Get out the music, the balloons, the name tags and the smiles. Canada's birthday is a celebration of friendship and goodwill.

Have a good time !



Marcel Trembley, PARTICIPaction, and Alice Keeney Beaudoin, Canada 125, at Uplands Museum, Lennoxville

For you — about you — but we can't do it without you

Editorial

Alan Webb of East Farnham has written us the following letter and submitted a very good and very helpful idea.

We would very much like to have the crafts people of the Townships submit their stories and pictures or alternatively have readers submit stories of their favorite crafts people. **Patricia Ball**

Dear Editor:

Received The Townships Sun a few days ago and like always enjoyed it greatly.

I believe so much in keeping alive our English papers and in return these papers have a way of keeping us up-to-date on past history, current events, as well as the future.

Might I make a suggestion for future issues? I could not help but notice a note from a reader in Scarborough, Ont. indicating she would like to read about stories on crafts, etc.

In January I submitted

an idea to the "Dialogue", a monthly newspaper published in Huntingdon, Que., that is taking off extremely well. Maybe The Townships Sun could take a similar route.

Enclosed is a photostat of the idea I gave. In the March issue they did a whole page on three craft people or hobbyists.

The point I'm trying to express is that there are a lot out there who have a lot of talent, but never get recognized. This way one does not have to go to their home for an interview, but they can freely write their story along with pictures.

Hope this might be of some help to you.

**Alan Webb
East Farnham, Que.**

New and Old Ideas for 1992 Ideas for Dialogue — and Craft People ...

I just received the Dialogue today and noticed you

were looking for ideas for the year ahead. Since I am involved in crafts as a hobby, making handcrafted wooden toys etc., I thought it would be nice to dedicate a page to those craft people who don't get recognized for the talent they have.

I attend about fifteen craft shows and agricultural fairs a year and have come across a number of exciting artisans.

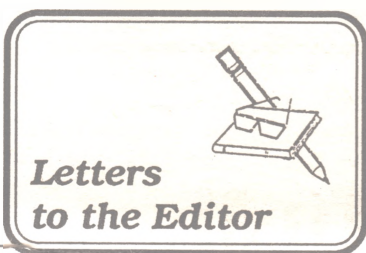
Such stories could include the people and their type of craft and how they began, with pictures, etc.

A few types of crafts are: wooden toys: hardwood/softwood country craft — painting on wood and metal, artist — general, ceramic, knitting, book binding, carving, stuffed dolls and animals, quilting, lathe turning, wooden bowls, stained glass, leather, sewing — bags of all type, jewelry, etc.

I hope this suggestion will help towards your excellent paper.

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Dear Editor,

Referendum First - Constitutional Changes Second

How many of our provincial premiers will acquiesce to the pressures of the Federal Government and accept, when referring to the Province of Quebec and its citizens, that the sacred appellation "distinct society" be incorporated in the Canadian Constitution? How many will go even further and say that they are willing to agree to special powers — and even a constitutional veto — for Quebec?

It is amazing to note the number of politicians and academics outside of Quebec

who exhibit such an appalling ignorance of Quebecers and the Quebec situation. Perhaps it would surprise them to realize that over half of the citizens of Quebec have no desire to be stigmatized by the moniker "distinct society", nor do they wish to be humbled and insulted by being offered powers which rightfully should be under the jurisdiction and the responsibility of a strong central government.

The deception created by the vocal, self-serving power-seekers of Quebec (sovereignists and separatists) and their influence over the emotional element of Quebec is flashed repeatedly across Canada by the media, supported by the results of manipulated public opinion polls in the province. This evidently creates a very strong impression on those who reside outside of Quebec's borders. As a result, Canadians seem to be rushing to accommodate what they believe to be the Quebec

collectivity instead of learning the wishes of the true (but silenced) majority (of the French-speaking, English-speaking and ethnic communities); those who have very little opportunity to voice their opinions except through a referendum.

It is the writer's belief that before proceeding further with proposed Canadian Constitutional changes, Quebec be permitted to have its referendum. When the results of the referendum are tallied, then Canadians can better assess how to deal with the situation and act accordingly.

It is preposterous for Canada to be forced to act within a time frame set up by a group of Quebec politicians who presently have no mandate to represent the electors of that province on constitutional issues. Let us not be rushed into changing our Constitution and then finding ourselves in a situation which we may regret for

many years. It is time the tail stopped wagging the dog.

**J.J. Stewart
Bishopton, Que.**

Dear Editor:

I was delighted to read the article by Patricia Ball on South Stukely in your March issue.

As a youngster I spent many happy days with my grandparents who in the mid-30s lived next to the marble quarry. I was fascinated by the heavy cables, towers, winches and machinery still to be found close to the farmhouse. I started school in South Stukely and I remember my grandfather driving me on his way to the creamery which was across the road from the school.

I can still smell the leather and the burning coals in the black-smith shop where my grandfather had the horses shod. These visits have remained indelible because on these occasions we also spent time in the general store which was owned by the Savage

family, if memory serves me correctly. There were many strange and beautiful things a boy could marvel at, but it was always a great joy to receive liquorice out of the colourful jars and some peppermint which my grandfather not only bought for himself but shared with me too.

Thanks for the memories!

**Regina
Pincourt, Que.**

Dear Editor,

I look so forward to your wonderful paper. I lived in Sherbrooke, also worked for Sherbrooke Record, moved to Toronto, worked for many years for the Toronto Telegram. I hope and pray to return to Quebec I still call home.

**Thelma
McKeage-Dieckbrader
Mississauga, Ont.**

Environmental Quiz

Correct answers:
1c; 2c; 3c; 4g.

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Megantic — Past and Present

by S. Badger

We went out to Lake Megantic by way of Cookshire, Scotstown, Milan and Nantes in the middle of March, but I will begin my story a little further back in time.

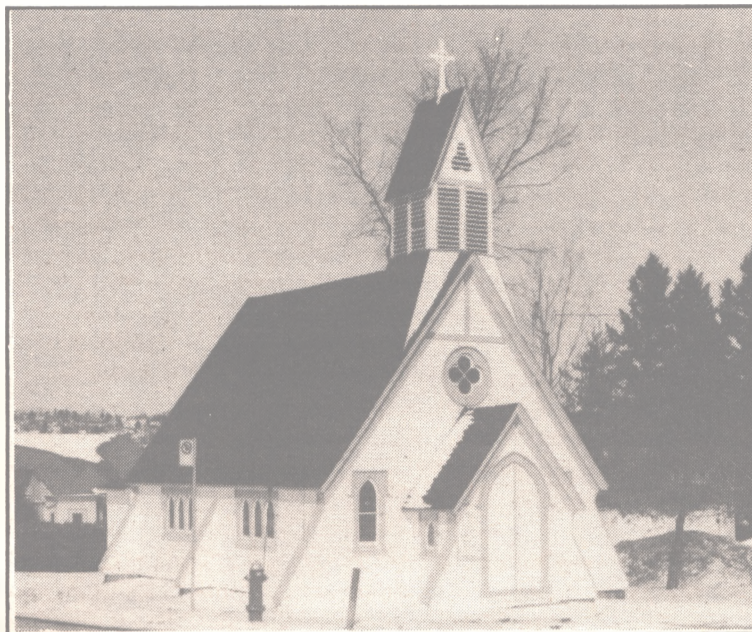
From the book, *Histoire du Lac Megantic*, by Abbé Albert Gravel, one learns that on the road from Marsboro to Nantes once called Drum-a-Vack, which is Scottish for 'this or that side of the hill', there lived the first white settlers of the area from Scotland's Dundee and Lewis Islands. These men were Angus McRae, Murdo and Rory McLeod and John Murray. These courageous men walked in from Sherbrooke around 1850.

Even closer to what is now the town of Lake Megantic, soon moved in John "Boston" McDonald at the corner of the Piopolis and Springhill [now Nantes] Road. He set up the first business out of Megantic, sending fresh fish from Lake Megantic to Boston. He later built a large, beautiful house at Sandy Bay, on Lake Megantic.

Starting in 1850, a large influx of immigrants flowed into this booming new area. By 1860, there were forty seven families in the county of Whitton with a population of

ber. The Saint Francis, Megantic and International Railway will have a station in the neighbourhood of the post office and greatly facilitate settlement. Gold and other minerals are found here, schools and a Presbyterian church are established, and the locality is rapidly advancing in wealth and consequent prosperity."

Megantic on the north side of the Chaudiere River split from the Township of Whitton in 1885 to become a municipality. Agnes on the south side of the river became a municipality in 1895. Before 1877, Agnes had been called Morinville after its first settler, Dominique Morin. The Agnes' post office was called Montignac. Agnes was named for Lady Agnes McDonald, Sir John A's wife. In 1907, the town of Agnes and the town of Megantic joined to form the town of Lake Megantic. In 1912, the County of Whitton changed its name to Frontenac. The Township of Frontenac has now become the electoral district of Megantic-Compton, and Lake Megantic has become the centre of the M.R.C. du Granit, named for the "Granite Pass", including the towns of Ste-Cecile-de-Whitton, St-Sebastien, and



St. Barnabas Church, Megantic

Chaudiere River and the lake. The name Megantic is derived from the Abenaki name, "Namesokanjik", meaning "place where they keep the fish". As the C.B.C. radio has recently said, the Indians did have fish nurseries to restock the lakes.

In 1775, Benedict Arnold and his troops came up from Cambridge, Massachusetts, by way of Woburn, Quebec, and set up camp on Lake Megantic, then went up the Chaudiere River to Quebec City.

The first post office in the area was started at Marsboro in 1863, by J. B. McDonald. It was moved to Echovale, where it ran from 1880 until 1934. By 1911, Lake Megantic had a new post office with border and excise duties as part of its responsibilities.

In 1879, the International Railway came to Megantic. In 1881, a railway bridge was built over the Chaudiere to extend the railroad to Maine. In 1886, this railroad was taken over by Canadian Pacific Rail. In 1894, the Quebec Central Railway Co. came to Megantic and went on to Levis. The town of Agnes, across the river, had as Mayor from 1898 to 1900, M. S. Persons. During this time period, the Lake Megantic Pulp Co. asked the Legislature of Quebec for an extension of the railway to the river, and the Agnes Hotel became the C. P. R. Hotel.

Between 1896 and 1908, the phone system was brought in by the Sawyerville Phone Company and taken over by Bell Canada. The first lighting system was instigated by Cure Choquette, Megantic bought the aquaduct system from M. A. B. Gaudreau, and Agnes bought into the same system, the Eastern Townships Bank

change was also instigated by Cure Choquette.

Television was brought into Lake Megantic in 1952, by Henry Latulippe, and in 1968, CKFL Radio set up in town. You can read all about what's going on in the area in the weekly, *L'Echo de Frontenac*.

The book, *Lac-Megantic 1885-1985*, tells us that the presence of extensive forest led to the development of the wood industry. From 1878 to 1900 several large wood-using manufacturers were established — the Telesphore Legendre sawmill, the Nantaise Company Mill, the Megantic Pulp Company, and the Megantic Broom Company, which became the Megantic Manufacturing Company. This last was started by M. Joseph Cliche.

Captain Leonard A. Stearns of Stanstead was running a sawmill in Ditchfield around 1885. When that

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The Megantic Manufacturing Company

three hundred and nine. In 1861, the counties of Whitton, Marston and Hampden united to become one municipality — Whitton.

In 1874, Whitton split up to form the municipalities of North Whitton, which became Ste-Cecile-de-Frontenac, and South Whitton, which became Springhill. From the Sherbrooke area *Gazeteer* of 1875-1876: "The population of the settlement already numbers four hundred, with ample room for ten times that num-

Lac-Drolet.

Of course, the very first settlers of the area were the Abenaki Indians, who had a large encampment on the lake. According to the centenary book, *Lac-Megantic 1885-1985*, Father Baird was the first missionary to pass through, around 1610. From Gravel's *Histoire du Lac-Megantic*, we learn missionaries also passed through in 1640; and in 1646, Father Druillettes saw the Abenaki living at the juncture of the

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Events ... Events ... Events ...

Book Launching at Uplands

Friday, March 27 from 7:00 to 9:00, the book *Reunion — the Search for My Birth Family* will take place at Uplands Museum, 50 Park Street, Lennoxville. This book, written by Lennoxville resident Madelene Allen tells the story of her search for her heritage and roots. It details the difficulties of such a search and will serve as a guide to others making this kind of a search.

Consultation on the Regional Plan for Organization of Services for the Mentally Handicapped

The Conseil regional de la sante et des services sociaux de l'Estrie [CRSSS] will hold consultation meetings between March 16 and mid-May. There will be information meetings between March 16 and April 7, and public hearings in mid-May. The MRC de Sherbrooke meeting is March 31 at 7:30 at the Foyer St. Joseph Auditorium, 611 Queen Blvd. North in Sherbrooke, and the MRC Memphremagog meeting is April 7 at the CLSC Alfred-DesRochers, 1750 Sherbrooke Street in Magog. The information meeting for English-speaking people is April 6 at 7:30 at the Foyer St. Joseph Auditorium, 611 Queen Blvd. North in Sherbrooke.

Lennoxville Historical Society Meeting

A meeting will be held Easter Monday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m. at Uplands Museum, 50 Park Street, Lennoxville.

Steering Committee for Bilingual Signs in the Townships

A meeting of this new Committee will be held on Thursday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m. at the C.L.S.C. in Lennoxville.

They are planning a dance as a fund and fun raiser in the near future. Anyone interested may attend the meeting on March 26.

Church Service at Bury

An ecumenical service will be held at "Memorial Park" in Bury on June 28, 1992, at 10:00 a.m. This service will be held as part of the Canada Day Celebration. It is hoped that a service will become an annual event to be held in conjunction with the Canada Day Celebration each year, as many people already return to Bury to celebrate Canada Day.

The service which has as its theme "A Service of Praise and Thanksgiving for our Heritage" will be attended by many dignitaries. Among them, The Primate of the Anglican Church; The Anglican Bishop of Quebec; Archbishop Fortier, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Sherbrooke; Dr. Bruce McLeod, President of the Canadian Council of Churches; a representative of the Presbyterian Church; and Rev. Blake Walker of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, Sherbrooke.

It is hoped that churches will set up displays offering information on their history and records.

On Saturday afternoon, June 27th, the 150th Anniversary of St. John's Church in Brookbury will be marked by a service.

Canada Day Celebrations will kick off with a dance in the Park at Bury on Saturday night, June 27th. This will feature old style dancing, and people are asked to wear period costumes. Prizes will be offered for the most authentic costumes.

The Parade and other features of Canada Day at Bury will take place on Sunday, June 28th.

Friendship Day at Lennoxville

Come home to Lennoxville, come home to the Townships, is the message that the Town of Lennoxville is sending to those who have left the area. The Cultural Committee chaired by Councillor Muriel Brand is making plans for its third annual Friendship Day. 1992, however, is a special year which merits a two day celebration. As well as

being Canada's 125th birthday, it is the two hundredth anniversary of the opening up of the Eastern Townships.

June 6 and 7 are the days set for this celebration. Saturday's activities will begin with breakfast at the United Church, but the activity really gets underway with a mammoth parade. Arts, crafts and information booths, and day long entertainment, will all be part of the festivity.

During the day, refreshments will be available on site. An evening meal will be available followed by a street dance and other entertainment. This is a family event and there will be lots of activities for children — rides on the firemen's train and antique fire truck, games, and a petting zoo.

On Sunday, the activity moves to the Optimist Park where the Firemen cook breakfast, followed by an antique car show and a duck race on the river.

There will be lots of activity for all, but the best is the opportunity to renew old friendships and make new ones. Make this a time of reunion for those who used to make Lennoxville their home and those of us who still keep the home fires burning.

Information: Muriel Brand [819] 567-1179.

Dunham School Reunion

In conjunction with their 125th Anniversary Dunham, Quebec, has scheduled on June 27 a reunion of people who attended schools in this area including Dunham Academy, East Dunham, Selby Lake, Farnam's Corners and Dunboro schools as well as Convent St. Joseph & College Dominique Savio. For more info. contact Dunham Town Hall (514) 295-2418, a reunion of people who attended schools in this area including Dunham Academy, East Dunham, Selby Lake, Farnam's Corners and Dunboro schools as well as Convent St. Joseph and College Dominique Savio. For more information contact Dunham Town Hall [514] 295-2418.

Comments on our story about condoms at Galt

Dear Marlis,

I heartily commend you, and sincerely endorse, everything you said in your commentary on Page 6 of the March issue of the Townships Sun.

1) I am extremely annoyed that the so-called experts are not telling the whole truth. They are not telling our young girls that even with a condom, they can get pregnant and/or STD on their first sexual encounter.

2) We are not being told of the emotional and psychological damages caused by the kind of life-style that they are condoning. (I personally know some girls who have been misled).

3) They are not telling our young people of the priceless value of self-esteem, when abstaining from immoral practices. The peace of mind, the freedom from bondage, is immeasurable.

4) Our nation does not seem to be disturbed by the high rate of suicide in Quebec.

5) Thank you for reminding us that there are some moral absolutes. (I am now retired, but I was an elementary school teacher, and my very greatest rewards came from parents and students regarding my Moral and Religious Instruction).

6) The damage to family relationships is immeasurable because of the life-style which our society has adopted. (This is a controversial topic, I know, but God's laws have not changed, and He has not lowered His standards).

I would just like to say "Amen" to every comment in your article.

Bless you for having the courage to speak out boldly for

the Truth.

Sincere gratitude, Mrs. Ethel Sturtevant Waterloo, Quebec P.S. I am a long-time widow, a mother, a grandmother, a cancer victim for the third time. Life, to me, is very precious.

Mrs. Sturtevant also send us the following commentary.

When are the "experts" going to learn that it is much more profitable to treat the cause than the result.

Laws nor money cannot prevent crime

Laws nor money cannot prevent violence

Laws nor money cannot prevent war

Laws nor money cannot prevent alcoholism

Laws nor money cannot prevent drug abuse

Laws nor money cannot prevent unwanted pregnancy

Laws nor money cannot prevent STDs

Laws nor money cannot prevent emotional illnesses

Laws nor money cannot prevent family disintegration

Laws nor money cannot prevent selfishness

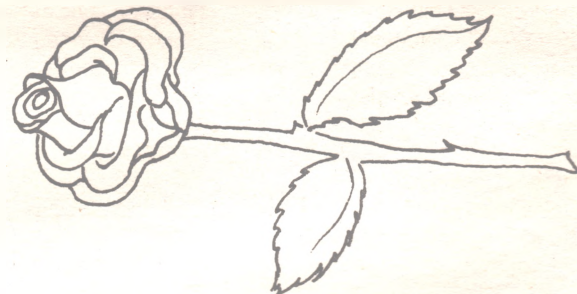
Laws nor money cannot prevent hatred

Laws nor money cannot prevent famines

Laws nor money cannot prevent suicides

BUT changed hearts can

We need moral and ethical training. Our nation is at an all-time spiritual low. Neither homes, nor schools, and not even all churches, are teaching moral and ethical absolutes.



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The Christmas Bird Count

by Gladys Beattie

This Christmas Bird Count is coming out rather late this year for a variety of poor excuses. It is hard to write about Christmas Bird Counts when the yard is full of cheerful spring migrants and the ravens are playing, "catch-the-stick", overhead.

Both counts were very good. The open water on the lakes and rivers helped increase the duck and gull counts, and the fairly mild weather encouraged late migrants to hang around a little longer. Lennoxville had a snowy, blustery day for its count, and Georgeville enjoyed a beautiful wintry day for their count. The presence of so many crows was unusual; 556 in Lennoxville area, and 196 in Georgeville. Starlings were abundant as



well, but house sparrows seem to hit an all time low. Normally numbering in the hundreds—865 in 1968, 842 in 1972, 973 in 1974 (all Lennoxville figures)—they seem to be on a steady decline since the late 1980s. I wonder why? Pine Grosbeaks are a rare treat to see now. Only seen on alternate years in the late 50s and 60s, they peaked at 478 in 1976 and have tapered off to an almost rare sighting now. They have the habit of eating the buds and new shoots off young pine and other coniferous trees which makes them very unwelcome visitors to Christmas tree

plantations and other woodlots. Evening Grosbeaks, which are seed eaters are on the steady increase during the same time period.

We are finding small numbers of the warmer weather birds like Cardinals, Carolina Wrens, Brown Creepers which help the total species figures, but less desirable species are increasing sharply — gulls, starling, crows, etc.

Enough of Christmas Bird Counts. When will the first Bluebird arrive. Are your houses all ready for them?

Natural Weed Killer

by Marshall Perrin
One of nature's own weed killers has become the first biological herbicide to be registered for use in Canada. "BioMal" has been registered under the federal Pest Control Products Act.

It was tested for close to a decade by Agriculture Canada, and developed for agricultural use by Philom Bios Inc. of Saskatoon.

"BioMal" is a naturally-occurring fungus that is known to be harmful to only one plant: the round-leaved mallow, a common weed that is becoming a major problem for farmers in parts of the Prairies. "BioMal" kills the weed by infecting the stem and cutting off the flow of nutrients and water to the rest of the plant.

Although the fungus is found almost everywhere the mallow grows, it offers little help to farmers under natural conditions because it is slow to develop in the spring, and like most fungi, it does not spread very quickly. Philom Bios has developed a process to produce and preserve the natural spores that spread the fungus. Mixed with water, the spores can be applied in the same manner as chemical herbicides without the need for special equipment.

Dr. Knud Mortensen, the Agriculture Canada scientist who discovered the fungus, says "BioMal" has certain advantages over chemical herbicides.

High on the list is the fact that "BioMal" needs to be applied only once a season, even though the noxious plants grow from seed throughout the spring and summer. If the first weeds are overwhelmed by the fungus, lots of spores will be available to attack the late arrivals. Also, because "BioMal" attacks only the mallow plant, it can be applied at any time without posing a threat to the crop itself.

Philom Bios will begin test marketing "BioMal" in Canada this summer.

Our Environment

The balances and linkages which harmonize the processes of life on Earth are under threat. Scientists estimate that 5-10 million species currently exist on our planet.

- At present, botanists estimate that of our plants
 - 15,000 species
 - 20,000 species
 - 25,000 species
 - 30,000 species
 are threatened with extinction.
- For every plant species between
 - 10 and 15 animal species
 - 5 and 10 animal species
 - 20 and 40 animal species
 - 15 and 20 animal species
 are dependent on those plants for their own survival.
- With the loss of a species we lose a genetic resource which should be part of a diversity we need e.g. for agricultural purposes. Cultivated plants need regeneration supplied by outside genes for their continued successful production:

The average lifetime of a wheat variety (before it requires a new outside gene infusion) is

 - 15 - 20 years
 - 20 - 30 years
 - 5 - 15 years
- Monoculture, i.e. the reliance on growing only very few varieties of a given crop over large areas can result in the epidemic devastation of a whole harvest (in the 1950's wheat stem rust destroyed the U.S. harvest). With the loss of easily available genetic diversity, alarm bells are ringing. Thus, the wild relatives of the following cultivated species are in urgent need of being found and collected:

(a) Maize	(b) Wheat
(c) Rice	(d) Common bean
(e) Groundnut	(f) Sugarcane
(g) All	

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80	Black Duck
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1	White-winged Scoter
45	Common Goldeneye
1	Bufflehead
4	Hooded Merganser
107	Common Merganser
1	Gyrfalcon
7	Gray Partridge
2	Ruffed Grouse
360	Ring-Billed Gull
680	Herring Gull
3	Iceland Gull
49	Lesser Black-backed Gull
9	Glaucous Gull
206	Rock Dove
122	Mourning Dove
1	Barred Owl
26	Downy Woodpecker
31	Hairy Woodpecker
1	Pileated Woodpecker
108	Blue Jay
556	American Crow
4	Common Raven
640	Black-capped Chickadee
7	Red Breasted Nuthatch
20	White Breasted Nuthatch
3	Brown Creeper
7	Golden Crowned Kinglet
1	Northern Shrike
1	Carolina Wren
1	Northern Mockingbird
673	Starling
10	Cardinal
30	Tree Sparrow
4	Junco
96	Snow Bunting
1	Common Grackle
1	Red-winged Blackbird
19	Purple Finch
76	House Finch
104	Common Redpoll
17	Pine Siskin
187	American Goldfinch
1354	Evening Grosbeak
88	House Sparrow

Georgeville Count

4	Common Loon
1	Ring-necked Duck
2	Greater Scaup
85	Common Goldeneye
1	Hooded Merganser
20	American Merganser
1	Duck species
cw	Bald Eagle
cw	Coopers Hawk
1	Red-tailed Hawk
3	Hawk species
7	Ruffed Grouse
5	Wild Turkey
4	Ring-Billed Gull
26	Great Black-backed Gull
457	Herring Gull
239	Mourning Dove
263	Rock Dove
37	Downy Woodpecker
31	Hairy Woodpecker
3	Pileated Woodpecker
1	Woodpecker species
278	Blue Jay
196	American Crow
12	Common Raven
1	Horned Lark
655	Black-capped Chickadee
12	Red Breasted Nuthatch
33	White Breasted Nuthatch
4	Brown Creeper
4	Nuthatch species
2	Golden Crowned Kinglet
1	Northern Shrike
215	Starling
2	Cardinal
108	Tree Sparrow
1	White Throated Sparrow
4	Sparrows species
11	Junco
140	Snow Bunting
2	Common Grackle
24	Cowbird
28	Blackbird species
cw	Pine Grosbeak
20	Purple Finch
cw	House Finch
25	Finch species
30	Common Redpoll
79	Pine Siskin
284	American Goldfinch
1082	Evening Grosbeak
27	House Sparrow

Total individuals: 5827

Total species: 48

Field observers: 26

Feeder watchers: 26

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Total individuals: 4468

Total species: 41

Observers: 94

Megantic — Past and Present

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Ste. Agnès Church overlooks Frontenac Street in Megantic

mill folded, his son, George M. Stearns, went to work for the Montague Paper Company of Turner's Fall, Massachusetts, at a mill on Lake Megantic owned by Montague. Montague also bought a mill from Frank Dudley which was previously the Nantaise Co. The Lake Megantic Pulp Co. was formed a half mile down the

Chaudiere River from the lake in 1892. The mill ran entirely by water power. G. M. Stearns was named manager. In 1912 G. M. Stearns became president of the Lake Megantic Pulp Co.

In the *Gazeteer* of 1888-1889, we find bakers, farmers, traders, millers and a few hotels, like the Prince of Wales

Hotel, owned by J. Moquin, and the Victoria House, owned by A. Pope. The *Gazeteer* states about the town of Megantic: "The place is rapidly coming into prominence as a summer resort, many city families coming here annually to breathe the invigorating air and to rejoice in such sports as fishing, hunting, etc. The

country being new, the seekers for fur, fin and feather find an abundance to gratify their desire."

G. M. Stearns was elected warden of the first Vestry meeting of the St. Barnabas Church in 1891. From the "Excerpts from the Vestry Minutes from 1891-1991" of the Church, we find that the land for the church was purchased from Captain S. Wilson for \$50.00 in 1891. Money was raised by Bishop Williams and Archdeacon Roe to build the church, which was consecrated on May 31, 1891. Rev. Henry A. Brooke was the first to hold services there. In 1898, land was donated for burials by Alexander Gunn. A Methodist Church on Agnes Street in Agnes was built in 1883, but lost to fire in 1908. A Presbyterian Church was built on Maple Street, now Frontenac Street, in 1889, with Rev. George McArthur of Marsboro giving the first services. By 1880 there was a demand by Catholics for a church. Land was surveyed in Agnes on Agnes Street in 1883, but a more central location across the river was chosen in 1900. By 1911, Sainte Agnes Church was rebuilt for an even bigger congregation, with its clock from France, stained glass from England, and its altar from Levis. Architects Arthur Godin from Montreal and Louis Audet from Sherbrooke designed this larger church. In 1913, the church received its benediction.

From the minutes of St. Barnabas Anglican Church, we learn that in 1946, the church had seventy-nine members [1926 showed one hundred and thirty-five members]. Today, services are held one week in Lake Megantic, with its nine members, and the other week, in Ditchfield. Since 1978, winter services have been held in homes. Mrs. Louise Hodgson told us that she "had the communion service right here in her sideboard!" Rev. A. Oakley was, in 1954, the last resident clergyman. 1972, saw the amalgamation of seven congregations take place with Rev. Max Jones as rector, residing in Bury. The seven Anglican congregations were: Brookbuy, Bury, Canterbuy, Ditchfield, Lake Megantic, Lawrence, and Scotstown. When the United Church was established, the Presbyterian Church was built on Frontenac Street, later sold to the United Church, and is now vacant.

has been in or near Lake Megantic since 1897, when her grandfather Andrews came from Quebec City. He was a notary and farmer. The family is now the fourth generation in the area. Mrs. Hodgson's father and husband both worked for the Canadian Pacific Railway. She told us that families would often come and go, as they often do when they work for the railway.

In 1944, Philibert Cliche started a society to help the Agnes Hospital. This became the Lake Megantic St. Joseph's Hospital. In 1962, the Frere Andre Hospital, Megantic's first, became an old folks home by the same name. This is a nice building on Villeneuve Street.

In 1891, Agnes solicited for a proper school, and Ecole Ste-Agnes was built, though Megantic formed its first School Commission in 1892. A commercial Academy was established in Megantic in 1898, located on what is now Veterans Boulevard. The building was made of rough cut granite, with a soldered tin roof, the like of which can still be seen around Lake Megantic. English students attended the school until 1950. The building is no longer standing.

Ecole d'Agnes is now the Fatima School, just up the road from the Notre-Dame-de-Fatima Church, built in 1946 on Salaberry Street. In 1885, bilingual education was given by Des Freres de Sacre Coeur. The Convent of Notre Dame was erected in 1895, and in 1898, l'Academie des Freres opened to one hundred and ten students.

By 1895-1896, with G. M. Stearns serving his only term as mayor, Megantic had moved on from being a small town to being a large centre, and the Peoples' Bank had moved in.

G. M. Stearns, Jr. joined the Lake Megantic Pulp Co. as Woods Superintendent, and in 1935 was elected President of the Lake Megantic Pulp Co. He also served as President of the Quebec Lumber Manufacturers Association, the Eastern Townships Forestry Association, and the Megantic Rotary Club. In 1958, he was elected M. P. for Compton-Frontenac as a Conservative member.

Remember the wooden toboggans and sleds of your younger days? In 1945, the Torpedo Wood Co. began making wooden sports equipment and children's furniture, and Torpedo Ltd. cut lumber.

Mrs. Hodgson's family

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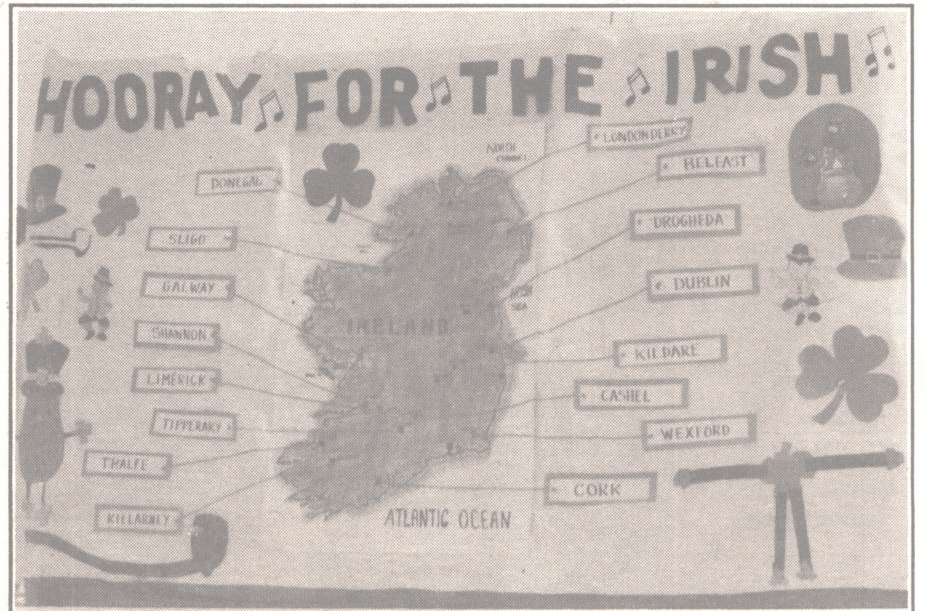


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Notes ... Notes ... Notes ...

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The Eastern Townships Goat Breeders Association

by Sue Sarrasin

Goats are becoming increasingly popular here in the Townships. The goats we see in Canada almost exclusively derive from the dairy breeds of Europe. The only exception being the La Mancha which was brought into Mexico from Spain and eventually to the U.S.A. and Canada. The Alpine, Toggenburg, Saanen and Nubian are all breeds that can produce extraordinary quantities of milk under good management.

What started out as an informal get-together for local people raising goats, has turned into the Eastern Townships Goat Breeders Association.

bership and a supportive membership. The difference being that the active group are also members of the Quebec Dairy Goat Association and benefit from programs sponsored by the Quebec Breeders. They are given discounts in such programs as 'quality classification of their animals'. Their goats are judged according to a criteria scorecard set up by the Canadian Goat Society. This program is a great tool for evaluating the animals and lets one know if the breeding program set up within a herd is on the right or wrong track.

The Quebec Breeders are

fall to have their animals artificially inseminated by technicians from the C.A.Q. in St. Hyacinthe. As a member of the Quebec Association, thirty-five percent of the inseminator's fee will be paid by the Association. Excellent bucks cost "big bucks" and artificial insemination gives breeders an option from buying superior males.

Our supportive members are by no means inactive. Some have just a few goats or none at all, but have a keen interest in goats. They take part in all of our social activities such as sleigh rides, sugar on snow parties, bus trips to visit farms, and barbeques. They are always willing to offer their help in any way in the sponsored programs, and have been invaluable in helping with the improvements in the barns at the local fairgrounds, and in fund raising. Without the efforts of both groups our Association would not be as successful as it is.

The cost of being an active member is \$45.00 a year plus GST and a supportive member, \$5.00 a year. The difference may seem a lot, but if the active member takes part in any of the programs or



Holly Moore with winning goat, ribbon and smile.

clinics put on by the Quebec Breeders the registration fee is paid for.

The main objective of our group was to improve the image of the goat by educating the goat breeder, who in turn will educate the general public.

Over the past three years the local fairs at Ayer's Cliff and Cookshire have been great schools for teaching goat basics to the public. Gone now are the horns, long hair and overgrown hooves of animals

shown in the early years. Breeders now take pride in getting their animals ready for the show season. It should be every herd owner's goal to have their animals in shape for unexpected visitors at any time.

Basic husbandry includes a spring hair cut and if the doe is in the show circuit, hair trimming is done several times during the summer. The feet are kept trimmed at all times and you seldom see animals with poor feet at well-managed farms. Horns are removed from the kids (baby goats) before the age of two weeks. This may seem cruel to some, but the experience of nearly losing the eyesight in one of your children's eyes to a horn far outweighs the pain the goat will feel. At all fairs and dairy goat shows horned animals are disqualified, mainly because of the inherent danger of horns.

Exhibitors are not only at these shows for the prize money or the ribbons, but to answer your questions about milking, marketing and breeds. Last year the most asked question was to the La Mancha breeders and it was, "Why did you take the ears off those goats?" (La Mancha's are born that way!!)

Our biggest project for this year will be the first time sponsoring of an Open Buck and Doe show at the Ayer's Cliff fairgrounds on May 23. This show will be sanctioned by the Canadian Goat Society. All animals must be registered with the Canadian Goat Society and are shown only against their own breed. This gives the exhibitor a chance to compare his or her animals with animals of the same breed from other farms.

The judges are trained and encouraged to explain their reasons clearly to help educate the exhibitor, breeders on the sidelines, and even the spectators from the general public.

For a young growing industry like ours, the shows are one of our most important marketing tools as well as providing very important opportunities for breeders to compare animals, share information with the public and each other, and learn the correct methods of showing and presenting their animals.

We've stopped "kidding" around and the E.T.G.B.A. is definitely on the move towards better kids and better marketing and farm management practices.

Pictures courtesy of Sue Sarrasin & Nolene Hughes.



Future breeders at the Ayer's Cliff Fair, August, 1991

tion. First meetings were very informal and members were asked to bring ideas or information to share. Health problems were discussed at great length because often our local veterinarians did not have a lot of experience with treating goats. In the last few years we are very fortunate to have veterinarians take an interest in these animals and participate in our clinics and seminars on goat husbandry.


This year the Association is divided into an active mem-

also putting on a judge's one-day pretraining clinic. Any breeder may attend whether they are an aspiring judge or not. They learn about the good and bad points of goats and get a chance to practise their skills judging a few animals. At home they sometimes see things a lot differently after taking a course. They learn to examine the animals carefully to see, not only their good points, but their bad points.

Breeders in Quebec will also have the opportunity this

The Eastern Townships Goat Breeders Association Upcoming events:

- April 4 — Visit to U.S.A. goat farms.
 - April 12 — Judges one day pretraining at St. Hyacinthe. Cost for non-members approximately \$30.
 - May 23 — Buck and Open Doe Show at the Ayer's Cliff Fairgrounds.
 - May 30 — Buck show sponsored by Quebec Breeders. St. Hyacinthe.
 - June 6 — Friendship Day, Lennoxville — Petting zoo and float.
 - June 28 — Barbeque
 - August 22 — Cookshire Fair — Judging at 10:00 a.m.
 - August 28 — Ayer's Cliff Fair — Judging at 10:00 a.m.
- Anyone interested in joining the Association, looking for information or having any questions, please feel welcome to call or write to: Sue Sarrasin, 155 McVety Rd. R.R. #2, Lennoxville, Que. J1M 2A3 [819] 837-2214


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Low Maintenance Gardening

by Kathy Longworth

My motto for gardening, yard-work, and, I must admit, numerous other projects, is fast becoming "use the brain to save the brawn!"

Translated into normal English, this means think a project through before you start. Have the right tools on hand and analyze the work to be done, both immediate and with a view to maintenance. Look closely to see where you can save precious physical effort.

Tools

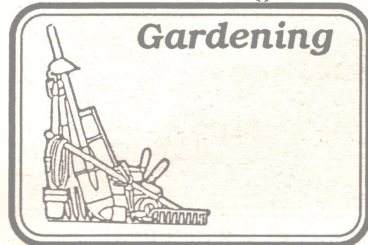
The garden industry is producing an ever-increasing line of labour-saving devices to make our gardening chores easier. They have good reason when one considers that gardening is now Canada's number two outdoor activity for all ages. There are now small hand tools available with snap-on extension handles, various seats-on-wheels that roll easily through garden paths, kneeling pads on sturdy frames which, when turned over, present a comfortable, low, cushioned seat from which to tend your plants. All the above are designed to eliminate much of the bending and stretching involved in tending plants. It also barely touches on the list of gardening aids available to the less-able gardening enthusiast.

Vegetable Garden

Since many seniors' budgets are limited, the availability of fresh, high-quality, home-grown produce is a high priority. Rake the soil up into raised beds. These can be framed in with wood planks, bricks, cement blocks, etc., or simply tamped down with a rake or hoe. The point is, the higher the beds (1 to 2 feet optimum), the less distance you have to bend in order to weed or pick the vegetables. There are other advantages to raised beds — namely that the soil warms up faster, they provide excellent drainage in wet summers, and the soil remains loose for better plant growth, since you don't have to walk on the beds. If the beds are not more than three feet across, access from either side is easy.

In order to keep the moisture content of soil stable, thus avoiding much watering, and at the same time cutting down drastically on weeding, use mulches. You do not have to spend a fortune on fancy mulches advised by your local gardening centre. Use raked up grass clippings from your lawn or your neighbours', several layers of newspaper

held down with stones, pieces of old carpeting, or old boards — anything that will help keep the sunlight away from those weeds. Preferably the mulch should be something, like grass clippings or leaves, that can be dug in at season's end and thus add to your soil's organic content. However, use what is available. The object here is labour-saving!



Ornamentals

Since we are working here with a view toward low-maintenance, I cannot stress too strongly the need to prepare your planting sites well. The best quality, durable vinyl edging and the heaviest mulch will not keep the grass out, if pieces of root have already been left in the soil. As well, during preparation, you will need to work in plenty of rich compost and other soil enhancers your chosen plants will need. In future most of that will be added by way of top-dressing as required.

Consider the merits of raised beds for your ornamentals, for the same reasons I recommend them for vegetables.

There are many low-maintenance perennials available for a permanent type of planting. Read up on individual plants' needs and choose types that do not spread too rapidly. This way you will avoid the constant digging and dividing that seems to be an occupational hazard in most perennial beds. Garden Yarrow, Baby's Breath, Sea Holly, Coral Bells, Artemisia, Flax, Poppies or Delphiniums, would be among my recommendations, in addition to many of the spring-flowering bulbs.

In the area of shrubs, you would do well with types that require little, if any, pruning, and that do not send up suckers all over the yard. Potentilla, Pee Gee Hydrangea or Pink Cardinal Shrub, among others, fit these criteria well. I would include hardy vines here, such as Clematis or Dropmore Honeysuckle. All shrubs and vines suggested provide a wonderful display of flowers as well as needing little care. A well-prepared site, surrounded by strong vinyl edging, and heavily mulched after your shrub is in place, should make these areas al-

most maintenance-free.

Lawns

From the outset, I strongly urge that you plan to keep your lawn as free as possible of scattered shrubs and trees. Relegate them to the perennial beds. Then, whatever mowing needs to be done is far less labour and time consuming. In areas that are difficult to mow, steep slopes, for example, why not replace the grass with an attractive ground cover that requires little care? Periwinkle, Creeping Thyme and Crownvetch are three that come to mind. These plants can become invasive, but if they start sneaking into your lawn, where they are unwanted, simply mow them down.

You can, in a small yard, eliminate lawn areas entirely and replace them with gravel, flagstone, etc. pathways between mulched beds of low-maintenance ornamentals.

For small lawns, I heartily recommend the cheaper, light-weight gas or electric mowers. They take far less energy to use than the expensive, heavy "self-propelled" mowers. Riding mowers are wonderful for large areas, but a nuisance on small lawns where you spend an inordinate amount of time changing gears and backing out of corners.

Most of these ideas are of the tried and true variety. Those I've not yet tried have been tried by others with good results. I have every confidence that, when you take a good look at your own yard, you will come up with yet more labour-saving techniques to help take some of the stretch and stain out of your gardening hours.

Soil pH Preferences of Plants

This information to help you decide on where to plant and how to fertilize your garden was compiled from many sources by Janice Voggenreiter of Paysagistes Hollande Inc. at Ayer's Cliff.

To simplify the classification of plants according to their soil reaction preferences; they have been divided into three main groups in these lists. Those plants preferring soils whose reaction is within the neutral zone, 6.0 to 8.0 are placed in Group A. Plants preferring slightly acid soil are placed in Group B. While those acid loving plants which thrive in strongly acid soils are in Group C.

Group A		Group B	
Name	pH	Name	pH
Alfalfa	6.0-7.0	Asparagus	6.0-7.0
Ageratum, White	6.0-7.0	Alyssum	6.0-8.0
Anemone	6.0-8.0	Aster	6.0-8.0
Begonia	6.0-8.0	Barley	6.0-7.0
Beets	5.8-7.0	Bluegrass	6.0-8.0
Broccoli	6.0-7.0	Calendula	6.0-8.0
Canna	6.0-8.0	Carnation	6.0-8.0
Cabbage	6.0-7.0	Cauliflower	6.0-7.0
Celery	6.0-6.5	Clover	6.0-7.0
Chrysanthemum	6.0-8.0	Clarkia	6.0-6.5
Clematis	6.0-8.0	Columbine	6.0-8.0
Cosmos	6.0-8.0	Crocus	6.0-8.0
Corn	6.0-7.0	Cucumber	6.0-8.0
Daffodil	6.0-6.5	Dahlia	6.0-8.0
Daylily	6.0-8.0	Eggplant	6.0-7.0
Foxglove	6.0-8.0	Geranium	6.0-8.0
Gladiolus	6.0-8.0	Goldenrod	6.0-8.0
Gypsophila	6.0-8.0	Hollyhock	6.0-8.0
Hyacinth, common	6.0-8.0	Iris	6.0-8.0
Kale	6.0-8.0	Larkspur	6.0-8.0
Lettuce	6.0-7.0	Morning-glory	6.0-8.0
Musknellon	6.0-7.0	Narcissus	6.0-8.0
Nasturtium	6.0-8.0	Oats	6.0-7.0
Onion	6.0-7.0	Oxalis	6.0-8.0
Pansy	6.0-8.0	Parsnip	6.0-8.0
Pea, common	6.0-8.0	Pea, Sweet	6.0-8.0
Pepper	6.0-6.5	Peony	6.0-8.0
Petunia	6.0-8.0	Pink, Dianthus	6.0-8.0
Radish	6.0-8.0	Redtop	6.0-7.0
Rose	6.0-8.0	Rye	6.0-7.0
Snapdragon	6.0-7.0	Snowdrop	6.0-8.0
Soybean	6.0-7.0	Spinach	6.5-7.0
Squash	6.0-8.0	Stock	6.0-7.0
Sunflower	6.0-8.0	Timothy	6.0-7.0
Tomato	6.0-7.0	Tulip	6.0-7.0
Turnip	6.0-8.0	Violet	6.0-8.0
Wheat	6.0-7.0	Zinnia	6.0-8.0

Group B		Group C	
Name	pH	Name	pH
Azalea	5.0-6.0	Bleedingheart	5.0-6.0
Beans, lima	5.5-6.5	Bentgrass	5.5-6.5
Bentgrass	5.5-6.5	Carrot	5.5-6.5
Fescue	5.0-6.0	Lily-of-the-Valley	5.0-6.0
Lupine, Euro Blue	5.5-6.5	Potato	4.8-6.5
Sundrops, Blueleaf	5.0-6.0	Strawberries	5.0-6.0

This group consists mostly of moisture loving wildflowers.



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East Side Moves to the Lake Side

East Side Restaurant Newport, Vermont

The geography involved leaves me puzzled now that the East Side is on the lakefront. Nevertheless, the location and physical comfort are the only things changed about this previously recommended restaurant.

Now that the East Side is operating from the landing, it is easier to get a table, less crowded in your immediate vicinity, and a lot more attractive. The food is still very tasty, the prices quite reasonable, and the menu equally versatile. The decor of its predecessor has been relatively unchanged, but the washrooms offer greater convenience with more units within a clean and attractive facility, and circulation [space] is much improved.

Three of us went for lunch last week. Although the main dining room was filled to capacity, we were still able to order from the regular menu from our position in the bar area. Our choices were served very pleasantly, efficiently, and attractively by our waitress within a reasonable period of time. The home-made meat pie was a generous slice with flaky crust, lots of well-seasoned meat, mixed vegetables and mashed potatoes.



One of my companions had baked ham, a generous thick slice, with baked potato and the same vegetables. Our third party had a hot roast pork sandwich with similar side dishes. She reported total enjoyment of flavour and texture. Prices were moderate — unchanged from the original operation as far as I could tell.

Our waitress attended to our needs very patiently and cheerfully, refilling water glasses frequently and attending to our needs efficiently. I have since spoken to a regular East Sider who misses the closer proximity to other diners, but I find the new premises far more to my liking.

The parking facilities are a big improvement in number and closeness. Also, the physical layout and more spacious interior provide better access for the handicapped. We will certainly avail ourselves of the opportunity to eat at the East Side more often now.

Le Coin d'Italie

by Kathleen Hanna

Alexandre Street, in recent years, has developed into a small replica of St. Denis Street in Montreal. There are little cafes tucked away, craft shops, antique stores, art galleries, camera repair and jewelry stores, etc. The other resemblance to Montreal is the lack of good parking spots. The gem of this street is located at 21 Alexandre, close to the intersection of King Street, it is called "Le Coin d'Italie".

Once inside this tiny delicatessen you will find an assortment of cheeses, cold meats, pates, etc. What makes this establishment unique is they make and sell freshly made pasta and dishes such as, coq au vin and lasagna which they freeze. They also have on hand tomato and meat sauces for their fresh home made spaghetti or their frozen agnolotti and ravioli.

They stock a large selection of olive oils and canned products and those obscure ingredients required in some Italian recipes, sun dried

tomatoes, hot peppers and vine leaves in brine, to name but a few. If you have any questions about a certain ingredient you cannot find or know little about the gentleman behind the counter is always friendly and eager to help.

On more than one occasion I have been treated to sample a new ham that had just arrived. If you are not sure whether you will like a particular cheese or cold cut just ask for a sample.

There is, as the saying goes, something for everyone.

The Story of Hot Cross Buns

HOT CROSS BUNS

Long, long ago, a ship came sailing down the coast of a country on the Adriatic Sea. It was a tragic ship. The captain and crew were pirates, and the hold was filled with terrified children, some kidnapped as the chance occurred, others carried off in a lightning raid on a sleeping village. Those strong enough to survive would fetch a good price in the slave-markets of Asia Minor.

One of the crew, a Greek, felt sorry for the children, and determined to do his best to save them. He knew that the ship would soon be putting in to port to pick up drinking



water and other supplies. Here he saw a chance to help them escape. High on the hillside above the docks was a temple dedicated to a Greek goddess. If the children could reach it — could even touch the doors — they would be in sanctuary and the pirates would have no power to touch them. Could they run fast enough? They were young, and desperate. With a good head start — which he planned to arrange for them... well, he would ask the goddess for her help too. He told the children about it, secretly. They must be ready.

It wasn't hard to get himself elected to guard the ship while the rest of the crew went into town. When they were well on their way he signalled to the waiting children. Away they went, and they were well on their way before somebody looked back and saw them. Then the chase began. The children ran desperately, the bigger ones towing the smaller ones bodily. The great temple drew them to itself like a magnet. They were there in time. The doors opened, and kindly hands drew them inside.

The pirates were left seething angrily outside. They were going to be robbed of their prey. They decided to mount guard at the door of the temple and starve the children out.

But they hadn't the ingenuity of the townspeople. Early next morning a festive procession came out of the town and up the hill: women and girls garlanded with flowers, playing flutes, and singing; followed by others who carried, high on their heads, trays piled with little cakes sacred to that goddess — little round cakes imprinted with two cuts crossing at right angles.

The pirates knew that any interference would be counted sacrilege, and they wouldn't escape with their lives.

Centuries later, when the early Christians came to this place, they saw the sacred



cakes and heard the story of the saving of the children. Naturally they used those little cakes with the cross upon them to illustrate the new story they were bringing — about a saving Love, and a cross, and the Bread of Life.

The little cakes took their place in the festivities of the season — and of course we call them "hot cross buns".




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Festive Spring Recipes

Recipes chosen by Marion Greenlay

Our recipes this month feature a festive roast leg of lamb suitable for Easter and maple flavoured pancakes for a hearty spring breakfast. A maple flavoured topping suitable for any cake or pastry adds to the spring feeling.

Roasted Lamb Sesame

3 lb	1500 g	fresh leg of lamb
1 orange		grated orange rind
1 lemon		grated lemon rind
1 tsp	5 mL	powdered mustard
1/2 tsp	2 mL	salt
		freshly ground pepper to taste
3/4 cup	180 mL	orange juice
1 Tbsp	15 mL	honey
1/4 tsp	1 mL	ground ginger
1 Tbsp	15 mL	light sesame seeds
3/4 cup	180 mL	light bouillon
2 tsp	10 mL	cornstarch
2 Tbsp	30 mL	cold water
		blanched shreds of orange and lemon rind, optional

Preheat oven to 350°F — 180°C.

Mix grated rinds with mustard, salt and pepper. Rub mixture over lamb and set aside for 30 minutes.

Place leg of lamb in roasting pan and cook at 350°F — 180°C — for 30 minutes. Mix orange juice with honey and ginger and pour over lamb. Sprinkle lamb with sesame seeds. Return to oven and cook for 1 1/2 to 2 hours, basting often with pan juices. Add water to pan when necessary.

Remove lamb from oven; place on platter. Cover and keep warm. Skim fat from pan juices and add bouillon to pan. Heat and stir well to dissolve sediment. Strain into saucepan and stir in cornstarch mixed with water. Bring to boil, stirring constantly. Add blanched shreds of orange and lemon rind to sauce, if desired.

Serve sauce with lamb. Makes six servings.

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Buttery Maple Walnut Pancakes

1 1/2 cups	375 mL	all purpose flour
3/4 tsp	3 mL	baking powder
3/4 tsp	3 mL	baking soda
3/4 tsp	3 mL	salt
3/4 cup	175 mL	plain yogourt
3/4 cup	175 mL	milk
2		eggs, beaten
1/4 cup	50 mL	butter, melted
1/2 tsp	2 mL	maple extract — optional

Stir together flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt in a large bowl; add nuts. In a separate bowl, combine yogourt, milk, eggs, butter and maple extract; add all at once to dry ingredients; stir just until combined. Batter will be thick. Spread about 1/3 cup — 75 mL — of batter for each pancake on a hot, lightly greased frypan or griddle. Cook until bubbles start appearing on the surface; turn and brown underside. Serve with Hot Maple Butter. Makes twelve 5-inch — 12 cm — pancakes.

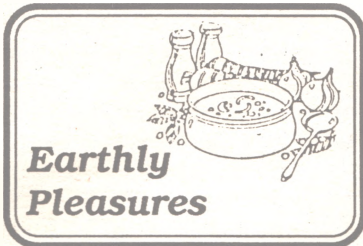
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Hot Cross Buns

Scald 1 cup of milk.

Pour into a large bowl and add 2/3 cup of granulated sugar, 2 tsp salt, and 1/3 cup butter. Stir until butter melts. Cool to lukewarm.

Dissolve 1 tsp sugar in 1/2 cup lukewarm water. Over this sprinkle 1 envelope active dry yeast. Let stand for 10 minutes, then stir briskly with a fork.



Add yeast mixture to lukewarm milk mixture. Add 1 egg, beaten, 1 egg yolk, 1 tsp cinnamon, 1/2 tsp allspice, 1/4 tsp nutmeg. Beat in 2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour. Beat vigorously then add 2 1/2 to 3 cups of flour.

Turn dough onto a lightly floured surface and knead 8 to 10 minutes. Knead in 2/3 cup of raisins or currants. Shape into a smooth ball and place in a greased bowl. Cover with a dark cloth and let rise until doubled — about 1 1/2 hours.

Punch down and shape into 18 or 20 buns. Arrange 2" apart on greased baking sheet. Cover and let rise until doubled — about 45 minutes.

Combine 1 slightly beaten egg white and 1 Tbsp water. Brush risen buns with egg mixture and slash tops in form of a cross. Bake 15 to 18 minutes in 400° oven.

If desired ice with a glaze made from 3/4 cup icing sugar, 1 Tbsp milk and 1/4 tsp vanilla.

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Maple Whipped Cream Topping

Whip: 3/4 cup — 180 mL — 35% cream until it starts to thicken

Add: 1/4 cup — 60 mL — maple syrup in a thin trickle while beating the cream. The cream should become stiff.

Serve on a slice of cake sprinkled with nuts, or use as a filling for miniature cakes.

Minister of Agriculture, Fish and Food, Quebec

Hot Maple Butter

Combine 1 cup — 250 mL — maple syrup and 1/2 cup — 125 mL — butter in small saucepan. Cook and stir over medium heat until butter melts and sauce is hot. Makes 1 1/2 cups — 375 mL.

Dairy Bureau of Canada

Meal Substitutes

For some people, losing weight is an important goal for improving their health or appearance. Dieters can choose from a variety of meal substitutes in different forms: powders to be mixed with milk or water and consumed like a beverage or soup, food bars and cookies.

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Megantic — Past and Present *Notes ... Notes ... Notes ...*

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Both closed in 1986.

The Megantic Manufacturing Co. still operates. They now make only doorskins, the panels for plain door fronts.

David M. Stearns joined the Megantic Pulp Co. in 1953. In 1975, he replaced his father, G. M. Stearns, Jr., as President. His father had worked at the company for forty years. 1973 brought the shutdown of both mills of the Lake Megantic Pulp Co. They then operated as a logging operation.

tall buildings. Across the river, high atop a strip of farmland a sixty foot cross overlooks the town.

Let us not forget the tourist industry. Sandy Beach offers camping and swimming on the lake. The Captain Cap II keeps up the tradition of sightseeing boats on the lake. The town and area are nestled in amongst Mount Cte-Cecile to the northeast, Mount Saint-Leon and Mount Megantic [formerly Mount Chesham] to the southeast and the Allegh



One of the old houses in Megantic. There are many more, different, but just as interesting.

In 1906, the "Beurrerie Lac-Megantic" was started by David Choinard, Isaac Dubuc and Joseph Roy. They brought their cream from Piopolis by boat, and delivered it by horse. In 1918, Monsieur Gendreau's new butter plant began the "Societe de Fabrication de Beurre". An ice house was built in 1923, with ice being taken from the lake. In 1932, the society became the "Beurrerie de Megantic". Now, the Co-operative Agricultural Society owns a large dairy, mill and store.

There are many thriving businesses in Lake Megantic. Apart from the ones already mentioned some are: La Chaudiere Cheese, Mistral Sails, and a new one owned by Americans, Tafissa, which makes chipboard. There are also a few machine shops, clothing factories. There is also a small plane airstrip. Downtown there is a multitude of small businesses, shops and restaurants, on and off Frontenac Street. This very wide street was originally built this wide, as indicated by the very old buildings on each side of it. As one drives into Lake Megantic, there are no

eny Mountains on the American side. High atop Mount Megantic is an international observatory. There is hiking, skiing, fishing, sightseeing and golfing to be had in and around the area just like what people flocked here for in the days of old. When we strolled down Veterans Boulevard, we saw nine fishing cabins on the ice. Development around the lake is now controlled to protect the lakeshore.

Step into the new Town Hall of Lake Megantic, and you will see a monument showing where Benedict Arnold camped in 1775. There is a museum housed in the Town Hall with artifacts and history of the area. Walk down Veterans Boulevard, and you will see the lovely old homes on Kelly Street. All around town are beautiful old homes. The C. P. Rail Station is the original one built in 1879, now used by VIA. The track that runs from Lennoxville to Lake Megantic is one of Canada's wonders; it has the longest and highest incline of any railroad in Canada.

Lake Megantic — it is yours to discover, and there is a lot more to discover!

St. John's Ambulance

A campaign to raise funds to continue offering services is underway. Call 1-800-363-3559.

Inhalers and Asthma in Children

The use of inhalers to treat asthma has long been the treatment of choice by doctors. Uncontrolled and excessive use has proven dangerous. The Pediatricians at the C.H.U. in Sherbrooke wish to point out that increasing the dosage of bronchodilators or beta 2 mimetics is a sign of poor control of the asthma. If cigarettes, animals and pollen are aggravating factors, doctors

ask that parents stop smoking and improve the environment of the child rather than increase the dosage of these medications. If the situation does not improve, the child should return to the doctor for a check-up and to receive a prescription for anti-inflammatory medication, which is now considered front-line treatment for asthma.

The bronchodilators or beta 2 mimetics are still considered by international experts in the medical treatment of asthma to be one of the essential treatments of asthma, if their use is controlled by a doctor.

Panda Daycare

The Panda Daycare will be moving into a new building on the campus of Bishop's University. Although the land will belong to Bishop's, the Panda Daycare must raise the money for the building and playground, which is expected to cost approximately \$230,000. The Provincial Government will subsidize approximately half of the project. A financial campaign is underway to raise the required funds. For information, call: 819-346-1414.

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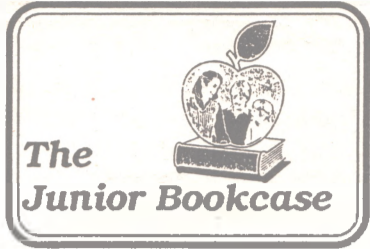
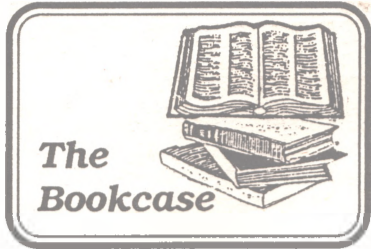
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SNOWSHOEING UP A STORM

by Patricia Ball

The Plains of Passage
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The Plains of Passage is the fourth book in a series by Jean M. Auel called *Earth's Children*. All have been best-sellers.

The series tells stories about the adventures of a young girl, Ayla, at the time of the Ice Age. This particular book tells of her journey across Europe from the Beran Sea [the Black], along the Great Mother River [the Danube, though much longer], over a glacier to Zeelandonii [located at the site of the present Netherlands].

Events in Ayla's past have been the cause of major changes. She has acquired a vast knowledge of healing, and of herbs and plants, both as medicines and for food. Circumstances have been such that she has become a skilled hunter. She has, in previous books, tamed a horse and a wolf. She has lived with both of the two major types of humans in the area, and has had to learn to speak after using sign language. For this reason, she has developed a facility for learning languages. She has also found a "fire stone", which makes it possible for her to light a fire as if by magic.

Her man, Jondalar, is a skilled hunter, and has been trained as a toolmaker.

Both are intelligent and inventive. As they cross the vast distance, they meet tribes of both types of humans. The skills they have are put to good use.

Publishers' Weekly says of the book: "As welcome as letters from a long-lost friend... Impeccably researched... as warm and inviting as its campfire milieu."

The list of people helping with research is impressive. It is a comprehensive story of one woman's idea of what life was like in the Ice Age.

It is a good story and good historical fiction. There is a great deal of description of the land and plants, almost too much. Descriptions of animals and birds are detailed and complete, as are the descriptions of the people, their customs, their clothes, their possessions, their religions, their Gods.

by Nancy Beattie

The Lucky Stone

The Lucky Stone by Lucille Clifton is a collection of tales about a little, midnight-black stone with the letter "a" scratched into the surface. Sweet Baby Tee as she is called by her Great-Grandmother Pickens, loves nothing better than to sit on the front porch and hear all about the little stone through her Grandmother's narration.

The Lucky Stone came into the picture way back in the last year of the slavery times. The shiny pebble first helps a runaway slave girl survive for nearly a year of hiding from the plantation master. Next, it saved that same girl's daughter from being killed by lightning at a Sunday meeting. When the midnight-black stone falls into Great-Grandmother's hands, it helps rescue her from a ferocious circus dog and finds Great-Grandfather Pickens.

Now Valentine's Day is coming and Tee still doesn't have a boyfriend. At the same time Great-Grandmother has fallen ill with pneumonia and the lucky stone has fallen to Tee. Will it help to bring her Grandma home from the hospital and maybe find Tee a Valentine?

The answers are all in *The Lucky Stone*, written by Lucille Clifton. She also wrote *Great-Grandmother's Tales*.

Published in 1986, it is a Yearling Book and is available through the Dell Publishing Company, your local bookstore or library.

An engrossing story for those who like stories about people, places and things.

A word of warning — the descriptions of sexual actions are just as graphic as the other descriptions.

by Kathleen Hanna

The Olympics are over, time to get back to work and find a video to review, not always an easy task. Having the Oscar presentations at the end of March at least gives me a theme to work with. I have chosen "84 Charing Cross Road" for two reasons, the actor is Anthony Hopkins, along with Ann Bancroft and it is a simple love story, to coincide with the coming of Spring.

The movie opens in October of 1949. Helene Hemff, an aspiring writer, cannot find the books she so desperately wants at any of the book stores in New York. She sees an advertisement in a magazine for an antiquarian book store in England located at 84 Charing Cross Road. She writes to them listing her most pressing needs and to her great surprise receives a parcel with 2/3 of her list filled, all for under \$6.00. So begins her relationship with Frank Doel and the staff at 84 Charing Cross Road.

It is easier to say in a letter what is sometimes impossible to say in person and so the relationship grows. Through a friend who is engaged to an Englishman, Helene finds a company in Holland that will ship food to England. Food that is desperately needed in post war England, such as: eggs, sausages, fruits, vegetables, etc. Helene sends a package for Christmas and soon is receiving letters from the staff giving her details of their private lives and some insight into Frank's life.

When the King dies in 1952 and the Coronation of Elizabeth II is planned, Helene sees an opportunity to visit England. Unfortunately she runs into an expense not planned for, her teeth need \$2500. worth of capping. Time passes quickly and before anyone realizes it twenty years have gone by. Unfortunately,

(NC) The French philosopher Voltaire once referred to Canada as nothing but a few acres of snow. Perhaps this explains why snowshoeing has always been so popular here!

The number one method of winter transportation among native people prior to European contact with North America, snowshoeing was quickly adopted by fur-traders, soldiers and settlers.

As a sport, snowshoeing traces its origins to the informal weekend outings organized by a group of Montreal enthusiasts in the early 1840s. After each weekly hike, the gang, which included some of the city's most influential businessmen, used to get down to the serious task of eating, drinking and making merry. These outings became so popular that the Montreal Snowshoe Club was founded. Over the next few decades, clubs sprang up all over Canada. Snowshoeing was all the rage. By the 1880s Montreal alone had some thirty clubs.

There was also a competitive element to the sport, with clubs formed exclusively for racing. By the 1860s snowshoe races in Montreal were attracting entrants from out-

side the province.

For many years native Indians, such as the famous Keraronwe totally dominated long distance competitions, setting long standing records, shorter distance races were a different story. "White" participants did much better. For example, in 1871 John Scholes of Toronto covered the one mile run in 5 minutes 39.75 seconds, a record that stood for over 40 years.

The famous Montreal winter carnival was established primarily as a result of snowshoe clubs wanting to hold a big annual tournament. These became the highlight of each winter season, attracting visitors from far and wide. Ice hockey and figure skating competitions piggy-backed on these activities, benefitting from exposure to the large crowds. Ironically it was the spectacular rise of these two sports during the 1890s that spelled the end of the golden age of showshoeing in Canada.

Thanks to the National Archives of Canada, documents which detail every aspect of Canadian life have been preserved so that interested Canadians can use and learn from them.

too late, Frank has died of a ruptured appendix and Helene finds out months later. Finally, she decides to go to England to see her beloved 84 Charing Cross Road before the building is demolished.

Although it may seem to be a sad ending, it is not. The relationship was one of honesty and true friendship somehow it would have suffered if they had met in person, in my opinion.


The acting is superb, very understated. Anthony

Hopkins' range as an actor allows him to be very convincing as both Hannibal Lector and Frank Doel. Ann Bancroft gives a wonderful performance as Helene Hemff and as a bonus Mercedes Ruehl, nominated in the supporting actress category for "The Fisher King" plays the part of Helene's neighbour.

Once again I have chosen a movie not for its outward appearance but what it offers the viewer in dialogue, emotion and fine acting. Enjoy ...

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Successful Campaign

Townshippers' Research and Cultural Foundation is doing very well with its 1991-1992 campaign. To date more than \$45,000. of the \$100,000. objective has been collected. The money funds such organizations as the Estrie Chamber Orchestra and the Estrie Young Singers; Townshippers' Day, museums, and school projects.

Five Percent Downpayments

Canadians have responded exceptionally well to the new five percent downpayment rule for houses purchased with CMHC-insured mortgages. More than 6,000 households have taken advantage of this low down payment, which applies to first time home buyers only.

Tax Penalties and Interest Increased

The Minister of Revenue of Quebec has introduced new measures to collect taxes in a timely manner. The penalty on late or inadequate payment of required instalments has been doubled to ten percent. This change, for individuals required to pay tax instalments, takes effect on March 6, 1992.

Cystic Fibrosis Research Supported by Kinsmen and Kinettes

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The Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is a national health charity, sponsor-

ing extensive research into this presently-incurable genetic disorder, which affects mainly the lungs and digestive system.

If you would like additional information, contact the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation at 1-416-485-9149, or the Kinsmen/Kinettes at 1-519-653-1920.

Sumatriptan Now Available for Migraines

As of February 25, Glaxo Canada received approval by Health and Welfare Canada's Health Protection Branch to provide Imitrex [sumatriptan] for prescription by doctors for the treatment of migraine. 81% of patients given this new drug by injection experience relief within 10 minutes and are virtually painfree within two hours. Up to 75% of patients who take the medicine by tablet see the same results.

Imitrex is the result of 20 years of research into serotonin, a natural chemical that constricts blood vessels throughout the body. Sumatriptan mimics the action of serotonin, but works only on the painfully swollen blood vessels in the head associated

with migraine.

Bishop's University — Learning for Life Campaign

The success of the Learning for Life Campaign for Bishop's University will strengthen Bishop's ability to fulfill its mission of nurturing the mind and spirit of individuals, but will also enable it to secure necessary funds for capital improvements.

John E. Cleghorn, President of the Royal Bank, was pleased to announce in his capacity as National Chairman of the Learning for Life Campaign that Bishop's not only reached its original goal of \$7,120,000, but surpassed it by 41 percent for an impressive total raised of \$10,040,000. Thanks go to

the private sector for increased donations to the campaign, as well as to the individuals and corporations who made this possible.

Forum on Marketing at Université de Sherbrooke

On Saturday, March 28, five Quebec universities [Concordia, Hautes Etudes Commerciales, Laval, Sherbrooke and U.Q.A.M.] have organized a forum on research in marketing. One of the objectives is to encourage collaboration among the universities offering a Master's degree in marketing. Discussion will include market research in Quebec, the future of marketing for Quebec business, high-tech innovation, and consumer attitudes and communication.



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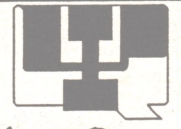


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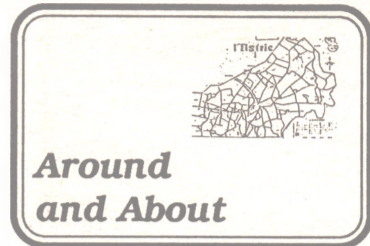
Events Calendar

April 1992

<p><i>Please also see Events ... on Page 4</i></p>	<p>Summer Museum Exhibit "Growing Up In Time" — schooldays of the Victorian era and early 1900s at the Colby-Curtis Museum, 9 Dufferin Rd, Stanstead. Open Mon. through Fri. 9:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Groups please make reservations. Info: [819] 876-7322</p>	<p>'til Mar 27 Art Exhibit — M. Gerald Tousignant and Mme Danielle Laliberte at Raymond, Chabot, Martin, Pare, 455 King West, Bureau 500, Sherbrooke. Call: [819] 822-4000.</p>	<p>'til Mar 29 Art Exhibit - Real Calder and Jean-Pierre Latour, Arts Sutton Gallery, 7 Academy Street, Sutton, Thursday, Friday and Sunday from 1:00 — 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 — 5:00 p.m.</p>
<p>'til Mar 29 Art Exhibit — Denise Bouchard and Gilles Payette at Galerie Horace, 74 Albert, Sherbrooke. Info: [819] 821-2326.</p>	<p>'til Apr 2 AQUA Fest 92, Watercolour Exhibit, Uplands Museum, 50 Park, Lennoxville. Call [819] 564-0409.</p>	<p>'til Apr 19 Lennoxville Optimist Club Fund Raising Activity. Sale of maple flavoured, bunny shaped, lollipops at local business places. Contact Geneviève Rouleau, President at [819] 346-7682.</p>	<p>'til Apr 26 Lotto for Bone Marrow Transplant Foundation at Sergaz stations. Tickets \$2.00. Call Foundation at [514] 255-5367.</p>
<p>Mar 28 Concert — Classical Music Series. The Bath International Ensemble at Centennial Theatre, Bishop's University, Lennoxville. Info: [819] 822-9692.</p>	<p>Apr 1 Music — Big Band Series. The Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra at Centennial Theatre, Bishop's University, Lennoxville. Info: [819] 822-9692.</p>	<p>Apr 1 Valley Weavers and Spinners Meeting. 4:00 p.m. Margaret McGregor, Lennoxville</p>	<p>Apr 3 - 26 Art Exhibit — Pierre Pepin and Expo-echange at Galerie Horace, 74 Albert, Sherbrooke. Info: [819] 821-2326.</p>
<p>Apr 4 - 5 Eighth Annual Quilting Show at Centre d'Exposition Leon Marcotte, 222 Frontenac, Sherbrooke, 10:00 - 6:00. Admission charged.</p>	<p>Apr 4 Arts Sutton Lectures on 'How to use insects against other insects in your garden'. United Church, corner Maple & Pleasant. Adm. \$7.00.</p>	<p>Apr 5-11 National Wildlife Week</p>	<p>Apr 9 Arts Sutton workshops on Medicinal Plants and their use. Presented by Celine Larouche, phytotherapist. 7:30 p.m. Admission \$7.00. (in French only)</p>
<p>Apr 11 Arts Suttons presents 'Zoom in on Insects'. Presented by Jacques De Tonnancour, artist. United Church, corner Maple & Pleasant. Adm. \$7.00.</p>	<p>Apr 11 Arts Sutton workshops on Insect Hunt, how to equip yourself. Presented by Marc Sarrazin. Arts Sutton Gallery, 7 Academy, Sutton. Adm. \$5.00.</p>	<p>Apr 13 Gerard Veilleux, President CBC, speaks to Yamaska Valley Canadian Club, Le Chateau Bromont, 90 Stanstead, Bromont, 2:00 p.m. Info: [514] 534-3433.</p>	<p>Apr 13 Mr. Reed Scowen will be guest speaker at Yamaska Valley Branch of the Canadian Club. 2:00 p.m. at Le Chateau Bromont. Topic "Hot to Enjoy the Constitutional Debate".</p>
<p>Apr 14 Meeting of the Quebec Family History Society at La Maison du Brasseur, 2901 St. Joseph, Lachine, Que. 7:30 p.m. Speaker Mr. Wayne McKell.</p>	<p>Apr 21 - May 3 Mozart Festival presented by the Montreal Opera. Info: [514] 985-2222</p>	<p>Apr 22 Earth Day</p>	<p>Apr 25 Orchestre de Chambre de l'Estrie, St. Andrew's Church, Sherbrooke. Tickets: 16 \$. Info: [819] 821-4101.</p>
<p>Apr 26 Orchestre de Chambre de l'Estrie, St. Eugene Church, Granby. Tickets: 16 \$. Info: [514] 372-3319.</p>	<p>Jun 6-7 Friendship Day, Lennoxville</p>	<p>Jun 28 Ecumenical service, Bury Canada Day, Bury</p>	<p>1992 Canada's 125th anniversary celebrations</p>

Cut out this calendar and hang it up so you won't miss any of these exciting events.

If you would like your organization's upcoming event included in our calendar, drop us a note before the 15th of the previous month.



Memory Lane

A letter to the editor that was a good story too.

To the Editor

I was prompted to write this by the letter from Phyllis Sharman Derwin who wrote that she once went to school in Canterbury.

I attended the one-room, all-grade, school house from 1911 to 1918 and knew all the Sharmans around there then — Ebenezer, Jimmy, Justin, Percy, etc.

But the real history of a community lies not so much in the genealogy of all the families — essential as that is, of course — but in the personalities of the people who lived there.

I'll give a few samples to show what I mean:

Jim Coates once drove the stage coach between Lingwick and Scotstown. The famous outlaw, Donald Morrison, often rode on his stage. The first time he rode with him Donald said to Jim, "You know I suppose of the big reward offered for my capture?" To which Jim replied, "Yes, I know, but I wouldn't turn you in"...

Jimmy Goodin, noted for the wonderful spring tonic he used to make out of Maple Sugar... George Goodin who kept diaries all his life, could tell you the weather on any day back for fifty years. Also his unbeatable formula for raising potatoes; "if those ten long rows turn out all right it will be potatoes enough for the winter, and if they don't it will be enough to hoe for nothing."

George was also noted for his opposition to change: when electricity was first mentioned he said, "no, Father carried a lantern, I'll carry a lantern," and when some of his relatives thought that 'Goodwin' sounded better than 'Goodin' George said, "It was good enough for Father so it is good enough for me!"

Rueben Bennett was a popular violin player whose favourite waltz was Sweet Hour of Prayer.

Justin Sherman got great solace out of the saying, "no great loss but some small gain." Once when some people were saying the minister had delivered a fine sermon but spoiled the effect by going back and repeating most of it, Justin summed it up best by saying, "Yes, its just like a cow that gives a good mess of milk, then kicks the pail over and wastes it all." Cecil Lefebvre who hated the winter and snow so much, "I wish it would rain hot water!"

Our beloved clergyman, Mr. Templeman, telling about the time he was travelling on one of those immigrant trains in close quarters with a large number of people from Galatia, — "Now I know why St. Paul used to write to the Galatians!"

H. Mayhew
Ayer's Cliff, Que.

The Lennoxville Optimist Club, despite its low membership, has conducted many youth activities thus far and firmly intends to enhance its position as a major service club in this locality. Besides sponsoring the Scout movement, it has carried the usual Youth Appreciation Week, Oratorical Contest and assisted on Halloween Day.

The club requires a strong capital injection to pursue and improve on this performance. This will likely come as the result of an initiative from a true blue member, Ghislaine Royer. Ghislaine has put together, on her own, an impressive, well coordinated activity in the form of a maple-flavoured lollipop sale which starts now at many points in Lennoxville, to intensify in the immediate area from Holy Wednesday and terminate on Easter Sunday.

It is hoped that a major success with this endeavour will help in the recruiting of new members. Potential candidates, men or women, are invited to contact the club. There is indeed satisfaction in helping youth through groupwork.

The population is invited to lend support in this undemanding manner. The lollipops will be available at only 50¢ apiece, with packages at about \$2.25. President Geneviève Rouleau is asking that you "spot the Optimist sign in Lennoxville" and help an essential organization to continue its youth and community program.



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