

Sherbrooke to march against sexual violence this weekend

By Gordon Lambie

This coming Sunday, August 2, Sherbrooke will be host to a march against sexual violence. Starting at 11 a.m. the demonstrators will leave Victoria Park in Fleurimont and make their way to the Police headquarters on Maurice Houle street.

"We're trying to bring this to the attention of the system, among others," said Dodz Daye, one of the event's organizers, explaining that that the event finds its roots in the local revival of the #metoo movement by Montreal activist Sabrina Comeau over the course of the last month. "Since she decided to speak up about her experience with sexual violence, the #metoo movement was brought to life again and we thought it was time to do something about it rather than watch the movement go on and die on social media."

Daye, along with two other friends, decided to organize the Sherbrooke march as a way of helping to educate the population about sexual violence, to provide a safe space for people to share their experiences, and to call for justice for survivors. In a description of the event on Facebook, the organizers state that, "It is imperative for us to stand up against a system that is invalidating sexual violence and aggressions made against all women, all men and all queer people. We collectively promote inclusivity and integrity for minorities

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Sherbrooke closes pools following COVID-19 confirmation



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By Gordon Lambie

Sherbrooke announced the closure of all its municipal pools on Monday after a member of the lifeguarding staff tested positive for COVID-19. The news comes one day after the city announced that case of the virus had been confirmed at a municipal day camp.

According to a press release issued

by the city, the action was taken as a temporary, preventative measure because of the fact that the individual in question had been in contact with other lifeguards in the city over the previous few days. No information was provided as to what pool the lifeguard worked at.

Asked for clarification on whether visitors to a particular city pool should be concerned, CIUSSS de l'Estrie-CHUS

communications representative Félix Massé simply told The Record that the Public health department was investigating the situation in order to identify possible contacts. People considered to be at moderate risk of infection or higher will be contacted by telephone.

On the provincial front, Deputy Premier Genevieve Guilbault issued a call

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Summer Cousin



DISHPAN HANDS

SHEILA QUINN

Some time in mid-childhood our father's older sister, Aunt, and her husband, Uncle, came to visit with our Cousin. Aunt made a majestic entrance into the house with their two cats, Sam and Tee Jay, on leashes dotted with opalescent studs. Aunt mostly stayed inside and read during their stay, smoked cigarettes and visited with the family. I loved talking with her. Uncle was tall and slim, with a big voice and a big laugh and big hugs and big love for us nieces and nephews.

Cousin is a year younger than me, a year older than the brother that followed me, who was followed by our youngest brother, and Another Boy Cousin in between. Older than all of us, Girl Cousin, five and a half years my senior (eldest of the Cluster of Cousins), sister to Another Boy Cousin, organized, life sorted and still patient with us when she needed to be. She was living another life, often spending time with Their Other Cousins who also lived in our area.

On that visit it had been four years since the last one. So we all remembered each other, prompted by school photos and birthday cards, news traveling by letters and telephone calls, as it was the early 1980s, but we hadn't all been together in a stretch of time that is an eternity when you're a kid.

We were VERY excited about Cousin's visit. He was more composed and had better manners than us. He was playful though, and beneath that composure as excited about being with

us as we were about being with him. We somehow managed to share him extremely well, unlike some other friends, toys and games that we fought over.

When things went sideways, the few times they did, Aunt held court in her bedroom - we sat on separate pieces of furniture and plead our cases. Aunt took in the information and steered us towards reasonable behaviour.

Cousin brought a collection of Doctor Seuss books with him. They even sat in a neat little stand. He received them in the mail. Already an avid bookworm, I'm sure I read all of them during that visit.

We listened to The Beach Boys' Little Deuce Coupe album on repeat. We watched Dukes of Hazzard. The boys played 'guns' and army. Cousin wasn't allowed a lot of these elements in his home-life, so the rules were bent, stretched and sometimes broken clean through.

On that visit, Aunt gave me a small gold ring with a blue glass stone in it. She gave it to me with great ceremony, and explained that I might need to clean it with toothpaste on occasion. I didn't mind that it wasn't real gold, or a real jewel, it was pure treasure. I still have it.

They also brought us t-shirts with our names in fuzzy iron-on letters on the back. Mine was blue, my favourite colour, and said 'Anything Boys Can Do Girls Can Do Better' on the front in a swirly vinyl glitter iron-on. As the one Girl Cousin who was always with the boys, and the eldest of our cluster, this was a kind of confirmation that I was supposed to be there.

When they left for the long drive home to Brampton, Ontario after a few weeks, we wished that he just stayed, wished that he could be Brother. He did too.

Those weeks meant big freedom for Cousin. Home meant a lot of responsibility and expectations. His summer visits became more regular, not such a long stretch of time in between, but an annual experience.

As we reached our teens his hair

grew long, he was the first to get his driver's license. We ripped around the country roads, blaring heavy metal and nearly killing ourselves once in a spectacular way on Lay Road in Melbourne. The sudden arrival of a 'T' ending the road meant the brakes were slammed and the car slid sideways in the gravel, miraculously coming to a halt on the lip of the ditch. Cousin aged a few years that day.

A neighbour came up the road on his four-wheeler, eyeing the tire, filled with gravel, and offering to relieve it of what would have otherwise required a call to the local towing service. The boys stayed with this kind fellow, Cousin attempted to render his pulse normal. I walked the forty-five minutes or so back into town.

And so, time hiccupped, lurched and sped up. Graduations, weddings happened, what seemed like a never-ending stream of babies, Cousin also became Godfather - to my eldest, my son sharing a middle name with Cousin. In the mix, what felt like a never-ending stream of funerals, as the older generations narrowed down rather abruptly and our circle morphed, shrank and grew simultaneously with deaths and births.

Our summers become memories instead of current events.

And yet, so vivid are they, that we are all more alive when we are together.

And every summer, there are reminders in current happenings of our own adventures and mischief.

We are made of the seasons. Of the visits. We are built on things we don't even realize at the time.

That is how time works, building us in silence, threading us with strands of each other, woven like the DNA that we already share. We are denim, and patchwork, and the afghans that Gran and Aunt both crafted.

Close-knit, between sunburns and dinky cars, cold drinks, seats on the porch, running through backyards and yearning to just stay that way all year long.



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Local News

It was a space where both locals and students at the nearby Bishop's University campus would mingle and decompress after a long day.

The "G" lives on in memory more than 20 years later

By Michael Boriero - Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Georgian Hotel was a long-standing Lennoxville landmark. It also had a reputation for late night tomfoolery, drunken debauchery and the occasional fisticuffs, but to the people who frequented the bar once upon a time in Lennoxville, the building meant so much more.

Built in the 1870s, the hotel eventually became the go-to drinking establishment in the area. It was a space where both locals and students at the nearby Bishop's University campus would mingle and decompress after a long day.

"It was kind of a neat place to gather. There was no bar on campus. You couldn't go to Sherbrooke after five o'clock because the bus stopped running, so The Georgian was basically the social centre," explained Tim Belford.

Belford, a Record columnist, attended Bishop's in the late 1960s. The Georgian, also known as the "G", was his bar of choice. The other bar in town, The Elmwood, had temporarily closed after losing its liquor license for serving underaged students.

It was the only spot in Lennoxville for students looking to quench their thirst before the Golden Lion opened its doors in the mid-1970s. But the hotel set itself apart due to its longer hours. The Lion, according to Belford, closed around 11 p.m., so everyone would go

to the "G".

Smoking on a tobacco pipe in his gazebo, Belford reminisced about his university days. He often played darts at the hotel, hustling patrons alongside his best friend George. They played for 25 cents a game. A quart of beer cost 50 cents at the time.

He spent many nights there with a former professor, who he kept nameless. One night, Belford boosted his mentor through a back window when the bar was too packed. They also witnessed several brawls, casually lifting their drinks to avoid a head-on collision on one occasion.

"The fight started, and it was like a cartoon. They started to roll this way and we're sitting, and this fight is coming towards us in a big bundle and just as they got to us, we both grabbed our beer and sat back and they took our table right out and went along," he said.

When Belford found out the city tore down the building on March 12, 1999, he felt heartbroken. He was living in Quebec City when a friend called him to break the news. He immediately rushed to the hotel only to find it completely demolished.

"It was the disappearance of a wonderful part of my youth," said Belford, managing to scoop up two broken bricks as souvenirs. "Now, as a student we drank too much, of course we did, we were students. What else could you do? But I have nothing but happy memories of the Georgian."



COURTESY PHOTOS

Mickey Hall and Gaston Gagnon

He added during an interview that it will be 52 years in September since he first stepped into the "G". Perry Beaton, a former Record photographer, also made his first appearance at the bar around that time.

Beaton also attended Bishop's, but he only discovered The Georgian a year or two into his bachelor's degree. The hotel was an eye-opener, he said, although he didn't do too much drinking in those days.

He remembers spending one night in the hotel in the early 1960s. He proudly claims to be one of the Georgian's final guests before it converted into a bar. He said the room was spotless and the bed sagged, but overall it was comfortable.

"It was a nice experience and one that I didn't expect," said Beaton. "I was very pleased and not surprised that it had been treated with great respect by the people who owned it and worked there."

While he acknowledged the beer and the fights, what stuck out to him the most from his time there was the 95-week stint from Mickey Hall and his band, Highstreet. Beaton said he

was there for the majority of those weekend performances.

Hall, who lives in Victoria, British Columbia, remembers the "G" fondly. He recalled his band playing in front of a frat party in the main room. Afterwards there were broken beer bottles strewn across the floor. But it never bothered then owner of the Georgian, Costa Conidas.

"It was just insane and because it was so packed, we had a phalanx of guys from the football team locked arm in arm to keep the crowd from pressing into the band," he said.

It was a quintessential dive bar, Hall explained, although he heard rumours that a former U.S. president, possibly Andrew Jackson, spent a couple nights there in its early days. The "G" had its baggage, but what dive bar doesn't have any issues, he added.

"I think it was a combination of things, because it was a local watering hole, they had a history of having live music there on weekends," Hall said. "It was a pretty lax attitude in there, you could get away with just about anything in there."



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to action for Quebec's young adults. She said that a significant portion of the COVID-19 cases in the province involve people between the ages of 15-34 and argued that now is the time for these people to take care and make

sure not to put those around them at risk.

The Deputy Premier also spoke critically of the anti-mask protests taking place across the province.

The Estrie administrative region saw an increase of seven confirmed cases on Monday, bringing the cumulative

total to 1,022 since the start of the pandemic. With 952 of those cases considered recovered and 26 people having died, that leaves the total number of active cases in the region at 44. At the moment none of those sick with the virus in the region are hospitalized.

Across the province, the total num-

ber of confirmed cases climbed by 145 to 58,728 and the number of people considered recovered increased by 74 to 50,886. The number of deaths remained stable at 5,667, while three more people were hospitalized and three people left intensive care.

A word about birthdays

By Linda Knight Seccaspina

Today another year has gone by and next year I will enter into another decade that begins with the lucky number seven. Frankly, due to my family's health history I never thought I would live this long, but I have, and have always vowed to make each year count.

This is the only birthday photo I have, and I have to thank this wonderful woman from Cowansville, Quebec, Agnes Rhycard, and my grandparents for getting me to the year 1966. There is Linda with her "Parent Trap" hair and some suit she made out of broadcloth teaming it up with bare legs and sneakers. Next to me is my late sister Robin, and you can tell by my face how much I hated birthdays even then.

I have always believed a day dedicated to your age shouldn't matter and you need to celebrate every single day. We all know time never returns. Sometimes I wonder if I feel like this because I never really had a childhood, and was raised with the upbringing of keeping a 'stiff upper lip'. The only childhood birthday I remember is when I was 6 and I can still see a swan cake and many friends under the old apple tree in the Albert Street backyard. That memory will last in my mind forever.

My family is planning a celebration tonight and that is what means the most to me. Being together- and being my regular Beverly Goldberg self. I have changed this year in some aspects and

I don't know if it's the COVID-19 isolation or what. I don't mean to be a Beverly Goldberg twin, but I guess it's always been my way of caring. This week my daughter-in-law had some wise words for me:

"Maybe it's just better you don't know what goes on." and she is right.

So that's my new mantra, and when one of my car enthusiast sons has this big smile on his face because I have the OPP's "You are going this fast" machine on my front lawn, I am not going to even question what he has in mind. It's better that I don't know.

I get up each morning thankful to be alive and am thankful for my community and the history I research and write about each day. I am thrilled to represent my town as a councillor and listen to people and try and help. Granted I quickly learned that I can't change the world, but sometimes being like Beverly Goldberg does come in handy. I am so honoured to know so many people, and there is no reason to wait a full year to say thank you for being in my life. We should be grateful that most of us are fortunate to celebrate our birthdays once a year knowing that back in time they celebrated their birthdays because the average age of death was 35-40 years.

When I was 16 I wanted to be 18. When I was 18 I wanted to be 21 and after that it stopped. Today I am reminded that as a young hippie in the 60s, or was it the 70's, I can't remember anymore- I had chosen words for my fa-

ther on his birthdays. I would constantly remind him of my belief that people over the age of 30 should be sent to farms. Well Arthur Knight never forgot those words and on my 30th celebration he handed me my birthday card and asked me when I was leaving for the farm. Touche! I now live and celebrate one day at a time.

So, I only have one wish for my birthday- and that wish is YOU. To my

friends and to all the people that read me every day, once a week, or once a month. I just want to celebrate this day with all of you in my life. I'm getting older, I'm getting wiser, (that could be out for debate) and I am getting stronger, but most of all I sail my daily boat with your love. I am so glad all of you were born and we get to celebrate life together. Thank you for being in my life.



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Will the real challenge please stand up?

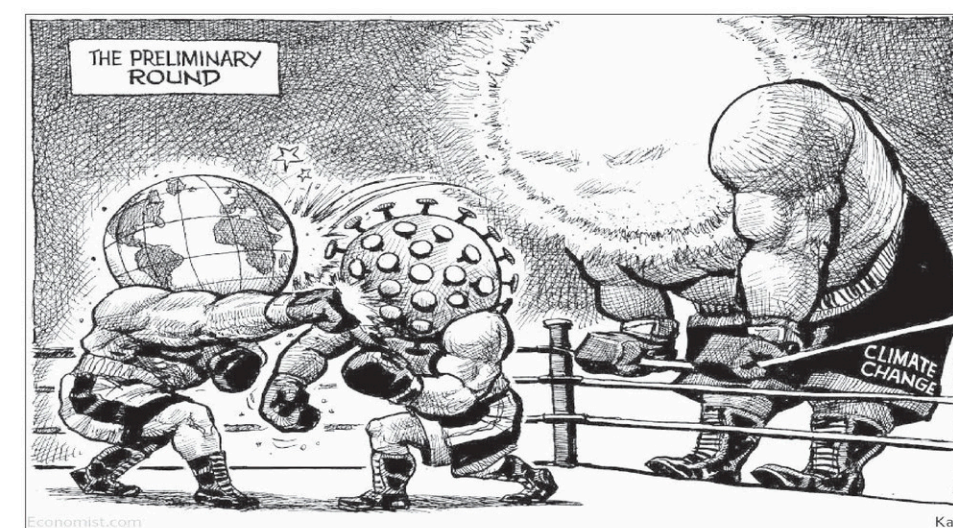
You may remember a 12-year-old Craig Keilburger founding Free the Children Charity back in 1995 to protest child slavery - WE Charity is its successor. The charity and how it operates is another story for another day. But the Trudeau's have been involved with it for years and so apparently have the Morneaus, either as celebrity performers or donors or both. And both the Prime and Finance Minister were part of the decision-makers who gave a management contract to WE Charity without even considering whether any other entity could do the job. How _____ (ignorant, dense, mindless, dull-witted, fill in the blank) are they?

But let's understand what today's real challenge is.

- get the virus under control
- keep the economy out of Depression
- ensure small businesses don't all go bankrupt
- ditto people
- figure out how to manage all the medical, economic and social dislocations caused by COVID-19
- proceed to post-pandemic normalcy

Until we solve ALL of the above, WE is simply a distraction: the last thing we need right now is an election and possibly an inexperienced new government.

As of today, COVID-19 is the 4th leading cause of death in Canada, after cancer, cardiovascular and respiratory diseases but before diabetes. One year ago, this disease did not exist. Sure-



ly our parliamentarians have other things to discuss?

It is not yet clear that the economy will be stabilized without years or decades-long dislocation. So far, all we can say is that the unemployment rate is the worst we've ever had since the Great Depression. Bankruptcies are way more than they were in 1930 and on a pace to top the 2008 Great Recession level. There is not yet in place a roadmap of how to manage the combined federal and provincial debt that may equal or exceed the value of all goods and services produced in Canada in a year.

The social consequences could be profound. Says George Friedman in Geopolitical Futures, "The complexity of social life is endless. And nowhere is it more essential than with children, who must be with other children in

order to learn the rules of interaction at every age. Confining children to homes... creates malfunction. Adults begin experiencing extreme tension and hostility." Whether a whole generation is scarred by COVID depends on how long the virus is with us. Certainly the Great Depression scarred a whole generation.

Until we have found mutually agreeable solutions for all these issues, there is simply no room for the posturing about WE Charity we are seeing in parliament and the media. Yes, the ruling politicians' missteps should be addressed. But let's keep our eyes fixed firmly on the only real challenge we have right now - staying alive.

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DIAN COHEN

Google "economist jokes" and within a nanosecond 2 million will be at your fingertips. Most of them imply or say outright that economists and both stupid and disagreeable. US President Harry Truman always wanted a one-armed economist because he never wanted to hear "...on the other hand...". Be that as it may, economists agree far more than they disagree. And that includes just about everything the Trudeau government is doing to put the economy and its participants back on an even keel since the tsunami of COVID-19.

Of course, there will be mistakes and excesses - we are after all human and we are in uncharted territory. Without question the WE situation could not have come at a worse time - my eyes are rolling in my head when I think of all the intelligent people running the country who never thought about perceived conflict of interest. Just to review if you haven't been following along:

“Animals know when you like them”

By Nick Fonda

Some weeks after the funeral of a deceased parent, a middle-aged man commented that much as he missed his parent, he missed his dog that recently died even more. That middle-aged man is among the many for whom the retirement of a vet can be as problematic as the retirement of a family doctor.

Dr. Daniel Lavoie, who closed his Clinique vétérinaire Val-St-François at the end of June after almost three decades of serving the area, is a vet who will be missed.

“I enjoyed my work,” he says. “I consider myself lucky to have been able to have done the work I did for as long as I did.”

Daniel Lavoie could easily never have become a vet, and his career as a veterinary doctor came frighteningly close to an abrupt end in 2010.

“I had a heart attack,” he recalls, “and I was resuscitated twice while I was on the operating table. I’ve been fine since then, and I feel good. One of the reasons I chose to retire now is to permit me to take advantage of the time I have left while I’m still active and healthy.”

Daniel Lavoie was born in St-Rémi-de-Napierville, a town of about 7000 inhabitants on the South Shore of Montreal. His father was a butcher and his parents owned and operated a small grocery store of the type that started giving way half a century ago to the large chain stores like Provigo and IGA.

As a high school student he had thought of perhaps going into medicine but different factors, including his mother’s declining health led him to ignore post-secondary education and find work.

When he did finally enrol in Cégep it was for evening classes and it was to follow a course in graphic design. Working days and studying nights, it took him three and a half years to finish Cégep.

He might well have had a long and happy career as a graphic designer had the company he was working for not changed hands.

“At the time,” he says, “one of my brothers-in-law had gone back to school for a university degree, and that

prompted me to go and see a pedagogical counsellor at the Université de Montréal.”

“I was advised that medical schools rarely accept adults and that I might have better luck getting into the veterinary medicine program at St. Hyacinthe,” he continues. “I liked animals, and I had grown up with household pets including several cats and a beagle that my father was very fond of. I decided to apply.”

When he was accepted at St. Hyacinthe (the only French language vet school in the Americas), he was warned that he would have to work quite hard to re-acquire the study habits needed to succeed.

“I was in my late twenties and married when I started the program in 1985,” he recalls, “and it was tough going. However, there was a woman in my class who had two young children, so I drew some inspiration from her.”

He graduated in 1990 and landed a job with a clinic in Three Rivers. A year later, he took a position with the Bureau Vétérinaire de Richmond where he worked for almost six years before a restructuring of the clinic prompted him to set up his own practice.

“By that time we had two children,” he says, “and we had bought a house in Windsor. I contacted the Comité de Promotion Industrielle de Windsor, and I also spoke to Carmen Juneau, who was mayor at the time.”

Everyone was very encouraging and on January 6, 1997, he opened up the Clinique Vétérinaire Val St-François in the basement of his home on Jeanne Mance Street in Windsor.

“I had been working with big animals in Richmond,” he notes, “and when I started my own clinic, most of my work continued to be with cattle and horses. I set hours aside for household pets and bit by bit the small animal side of the practice grew more and more.”

“Some of that stemmed from Dr. Peter O’Donnell in Richmond,” he continues. “He called one day and told me he was taking a month’s vacation and asked if he could refer his small animal patients to me. The next year, he took two months off, and not long after, he retired.”

By 2008, Dr. Lavoie’s clinic was catering exclusively to small animals.

“I was fortunate,” he says, “and I never sustained any serious injury, but an animal that weighs half a ton or more can be dangerous. Once, I was called to assist a cow that was giving birth. Right after the calf was delivered, the cow turned on me and I was lucky to get out of the pen. Another time, my arm got caught between an animal and a wooden post. I heard something go crack. My arm was bruised and sore but not broken.”

On one visit, a cow’s rear hoof lashed out and caught him in the chest. “I had a couple of pens in my shirt pocket,” he recalls, “and they were snapped in two. It took me several minutes to get my breath back and get on my feet again.”

There were both advantages and disadvantages to having his clinic in his home.

“I never had to worry about scraping the ice off the windscreen in the middle of January to go to work,” he says. “On the other hand, it wasn’t always easy to make clients understand that I was on vacation. Once, during a week I’d set aside for my vacation, I was swimming in my pool in the backyard when a client arrived and asked if I couldn’t get out of the pool and euthanize her dog.”

“On another occasion,” he continues, “we were all set to go to my daughter’s First Communion when someone arrived with a pet dog that had a muzzle full of porcupine quills.”

Several of his clients have noted that Dr. Lavoie seemed to have a way with

animals, that he could comfortably examine a pet that would normally not tolerate being touched.

“Animals know when you like them,” he says. “They know if you are trying to help them. I don’t know if I had any kind of telepathic communication with them, but if I did, I would have been glad to have more. They can’t talk but they do have ways of indicating what’s wrong.”

“No one approach is perfect,” he continues, “but I was never a proponent of extensive—and expensive—testing. I was never in it for the money, and I made a point of not being expensive for my clients.”

Dr. Daniel Lavoie permanently closed the Clinique vétérinaire Val St-François at the end of June. His client files have been passed on to the Clinique vétérinaire Becs et Museaux in St-Denis-de-Brompton.

As for the retired vet, he’s going to take July and August as a well-deserved vacation. He plans to take up the piano again (he briefly took lessons when he was a teenager) and do some reading (particularly with respect to the paranormal, an area that has always interested him).

After that, he may again become Dr. Lavoie. “I might go back to work for one or two days a week with another clinic,” he says. “There is a shortage of vets in Quebec, and it’s a job I always loved.”



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and misfits.”

In order to get their message across, Daye explained that the organizing team is working to create an event that is as open and inclusive as possible through gestures like offering alternatives for people with reduced mobility and, hopefully, providing sign language interpretation for the hearing impaired.

“It’s going to be a big moment,” they said, sharing that hundreds have

expressed interest in participating in the event.

To prepare for the gathering the organizers are working on raising funds and gathering supplies including hand sanitizer and a generator to run their sound system.

“We already have the masks,” Daye said. “We want to make sure that it’s safe for everyone.”

Asked about why the police station serves as the focal point for the march, Daye said that the police represent the most accessible part of what the orga-

nizers view as a flawed system that is failing the survivors of violence.

“We thought the best way to get to the system was to speak to the part of the system that interacts with the people directly,” they said, sharing that although there is a plan to share stories between one another and also speak with the media, the thought is that there is more chance to be seen and heard if their message is taken directly to the police.

“Our mission is to modify the collective consciousness,” Daye said. “We feel

like we don’t have recognition from the system. We demand justice and we don’t have it and we’re not going to shut up until we have it.”

The organizer underlined the fact that sexual violence remains an issue that touches the lives of people across all walks of life, and is not some isolated concern.

“I want to invite people to come with us,” they said.

EDITORIAL

Even though Canada is moving to phase out coal-fired electricity, we're happy to export it to other countries.

SCIENCE MATTERS

Coal power should be relegated to the ash heap of history

By David Suzuki

During and after his 2016 campaign, the current U.S. president promised to make coal great again. He also claimed climate change was a hoax, so it's no surprise that he'd promote a cheap, outdated, polluting, climate-altering fuel even as cleaner alternatives continued to become more efficient and cost-effective.

Since then, U.S. coal companies have seen share prices plummet and many have gone bankrupt. A decade ago, more than half of U.S. electricity was generated by coal. Now that number is down to one-fifth and dropping steadily, in part because of a shift to natural gas, but also to renewable energy. Wind power is now the country's fastest-growing electricity source.

Coal isn't coming back, nor should it. From start to finish, it's one of the most destructive energy sources. Extracting it often requires blasting away entire mountaintops, polluting air, water and soil. Burning it creates enormous amounts of deadly pollution, along with CO2 and methane emissions that drive global heating.

The climate emergency demands that we use less energy and that we get what we need from cleaner sources. We shouldn't be using 19th century fuels in the 21st.

But the U.S. president isn't alone in wanting to double down on archaic, deadly coal in the face of a climate crisis. Alberta, not content to drive global heating to catastrophic levels with its dirty bitumen, is now moving to expand its coal industry — with little or no environmental oversight.

Even though Canada is moving to phase out coal-fired electricity, we're happy to export it to other countries. It's like a drug dealer who knows the harms of addiction, and so quits a personal habit but continues to sell to others.

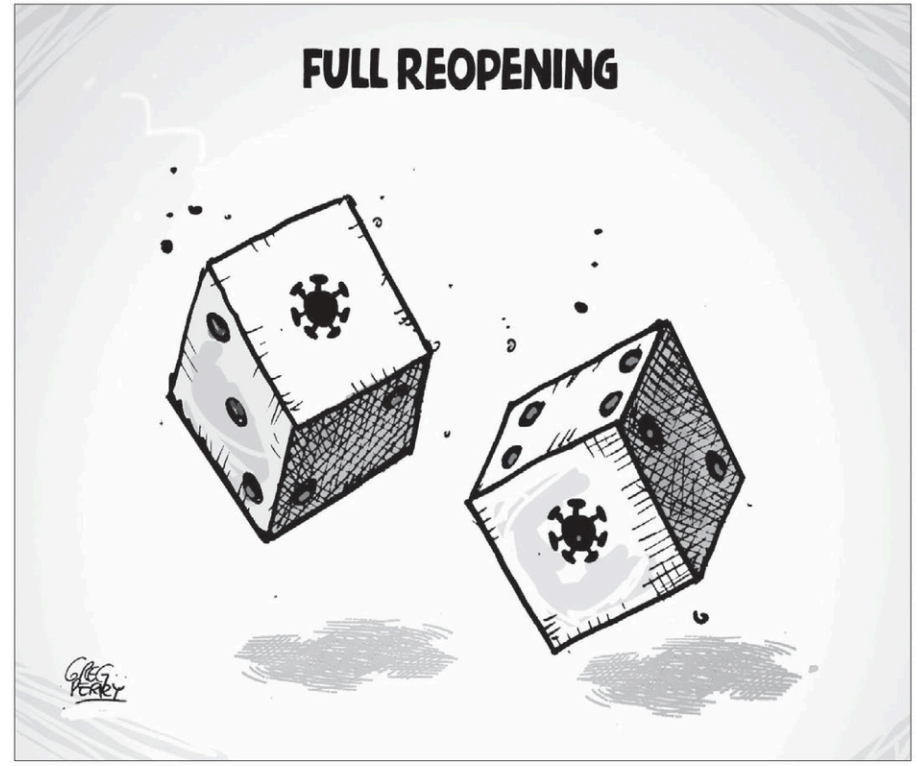
The proposed Vista mine expansion near Hinton, Alberta, will increase thermal coal production from about seven million tonnes a year to between 10 and 15 million tonnes. Even though it will destroy ecosystems and put endangered species at greater risk, the project isn't required to undergo a federal environmental assessment — in part because the company revised its estimate of the "project area" to fall below the threshold that requires review for any "increase in the area of mining operations of 50 per cent or more."

A metallurgical coal mine in B.C.'s Elk Valley, Teck's Castle Mountain, is also attempting to avoid federal review by claiming the project is an expansion rather than a new mine.

Alberta is even overturning regulations enacted by its Conservative government in 1976 to protect ecologically sensitive areas — substantially increasing locations for open-pit mines. The Alberta government's relationship with the coal industry is almost as cosy as with the oil industry. The province's former environment minister is now president of the Coal Association of Canada.

It's always the same story from those who lack the imagination, wisdom and foresight to learn and change with the times, who prioritize the human-created economy over the air, water, land and biodiversity that we need to survive, and over human health and well-being.

Economic costs and benefits should never be the only factors in considering industrial policy and regulation. But coal fails even on that front. Although electricity from existing coal power plants is often less expensive than wind or solar, many plants worldwide are nearing their end. Building new coal power plants would make the costs far higher — while prices for renewables are dropping rapidly as the technologies improve. Of course, the costs to hu-



man lives and health, wildlife, habitat and the climate are immeasurable.

It seems strange to write about the push for coal well into the 21st century. Those who would go on destroying the environment and fuelling the climate crisis all for the sake of short-term profits and a few jobs — when so many better options exist — are demonstrating their short-sightedness and illustrating the flaws in our current economic systems.

Even within the current paradigm, more and better jobs could be created by facilitating clean tech and renew-

able energy industries rather than relying on outdated, destructive energy sources that the world has agreed must be phased out if we are to survive.

The pandemic crisis hasn't slowed the climate and extinction crises, but it's shown that rapid action can have positive results. It's time to do better. Coal is over.

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Learn more at davidsuzuki.org.

Destroyed Queen Street bus shelter gathering dust

By Matthew McCully

Over a week after a vehicle crashed into the bus shelter in front of Provigo on Queen Street in Lennoxville, the broken remnants have yet to be cleared away.

According to the Sherbrooke Police Service, the accident happened around 11 p.m. on Thursday, July 16.

A driver lost consciousness due to a health issue and crashed into the bus shelter.

There was no one in the shelter at the time of the accident, the police confirmed. The driver of the vehicle suffered minor injuries.



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ON THE HOOK
ANDREW HOWARTH

Academics and artists get a lot of similar criticism for what some see as a lack of ‘real world’ experience, and familiarity with the problems faced by ‘everyday’ people. Much of the aforementioned criticism—which I’ve both witnessed, and in other cases expressed—has been warranted. However, we sometimes fail to realize that for the greatest creators, the lines between industry and everyday life are often extremely blurred, if not absent altogether. Some of the best fisheries researchers, for example, are informed and honed by science, and, equally, motivated by an affinity for fish.

If you’re creative enough, you’ve probably noticed that your imaginative thought process doesn’t just shut off for 48 hours after the clock hits 4:30pm on Friday. I’ve begun referring to leisure activities as ‘idea fuel,’ and resolved to never be caught without a notepad—be it virtual or physical—where I can record a good writing or research idea that emerges suddenly from the ether. So, what connections could possibly exist between recreational fishing, and science or art? Historically inaccurate as it may be, visualize Isaac Newton laying restfully under an apple—hanging precariously from its tree branch—as he contemplates planetary motions, prior to any hypothesizing about something called ‘gravity.’ Does this exercise point to any possible connections? All anglers—often unknowingly—are helping to generate the next great works of fisheries science when they do something so seemingly insignificant as purchase a fishing license, or create a memory that will serve as a point of reference for future ‘fishy’ people.

License fees and excise taxes on fishing-related goods generate revenue in order to fund the processes and projects that sustain fisheries, which includes research. Licensing information itself is used to conduct important research on fishery users, whose activities must also be managed, along with the fish themselves. But, that’s not so exciting—shall we return to talking about fish? Upon reflection, I’m often surprised by how insightful even the most casual angling excursions turn out to be.

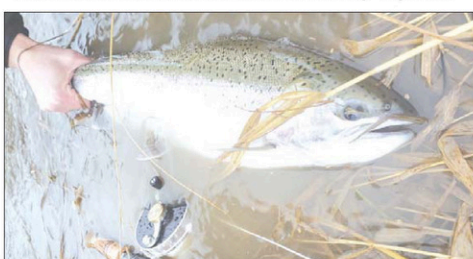
I’ve been unusually preoccupied with muskies this warm water fishing season, which helps to explain my use of the following example. Among other things, muskie require pristine riparian (i.e., shoreline) habitat to reproduce, and sufficient food sources to mature and remain in good health. A great deal of docile behaviour can create illusions about a muskie’s propensity for action. On most days, it’s about as easy to envision the intense predatory behaviour of a muskie as it is a domesticated husky,

which also spends the majority of its hours in a somewhat lethargic state. And yet, I need nothing more than to actually catch a musky—and be jolted by its strength and explosiveness—to be certain about its abilities to feed with extreme precision and ferocity, and sustain itself and species in the presence of adequate environmental conditions.

I’ve noticed something paradoxical about charismatic game fish species (e.g., muskie, steelhead) in their simultaneous physical grandiosity, and vulnerability/scarcity. For one thing, high trophic level predators are scarce by nature. It’s also true that as anglers—and more generally, humans—we often want what we can’t have. One essential component of the fundamental ‘tragedy of the commons’ that frequently plays out in common pool resources like fisheries, is the inverse relationship between a resource’s abundance and value. Put simply, the more rare a thing is, or becomes over time, the greater the demand for it.

From an angler’s perspective, there are some parallels between muskie and steelhead in terms of charisma. For the conservationist, some similarities in susceptibility are also noticeable. As someone who claims allegiance to both groups, I can confidently say that I’ve experienced the potency of each fish, albeit in dissimilar settings. I once hiked into a small tributary stream hidden conveniently in what was a very urban ravine, and was shocked to see several steelhead resting in a small beaver pond—the downstream side of which appeared to be an infinite tangle of deadfall and beaver dam debris, with a literal trickle of water for fish to navigate. And yet, here was conclusive evidence of the steelhead’s ability to operate in the aquatic equivalent of the most dense tropical rainforest—without any version of a machete—all in the name of reproduction. And so, I need nothing more than to witness a steelhead spawning upstream of an impossible tangle of beaver dams, log jams, and waterfalls, to know that in a dam-free river, the fish will find its way.

The previously discussed ‘lightbulb moments’ depict what you might call ‘field inspiration,’ which—perhaps surprisingly—looks very similar for the rigorous scientist, and the liberal artist. Although we’ve made strides toward understanding and recognizing our impact on the flora and fauna that surround us, we seem to have lost belief in the abilities of many species to sustain themselves, and unintentionally subjected them to the bigotry of reduced expectations. In Michael Crichton’s “Jurassic Park,” Jeff Goldblum’s character Ian Malcolm famously said—in something like the aforementioned lightbulb moment—that “life finds a way.” Having witnessed this firsthand, I wholeheartedly agree.



ANDREW HOWARTH

With a firm grip on its tail, and fresh memories of its athletic display from just moments ago, it’s hard to imagine anything interfering with a steelhead that’s hellbent on making babies.

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In Memoriam

BRUNELLE, Jim – In loving memory of my husband who passed away July 28, 2015:

Jim,
It has already been five years since you've been gone. It doesn't seem possible. Why is it that we leave so much unsaid, take too much for granted, think we have all the time in the world, only to realize too late that each day should be shared and appreciated with the ones we love. When you asked me to marry you I said yes I would be your wife but not a "housewife". I made you well aware that I did not know how to cook, sew, clean, iron, etc. You were OK with that and said that you would teach me. I WAS A SLOW LEARNER. Not a day goes by that I don't think of you remembering our life together, working, fishing, travelling, etc. What I wouldn't give to still have all of that. There is a new man in my life Jim. His name is Rufus, he's a 2 1/2 year old golden doodle. You would approve.

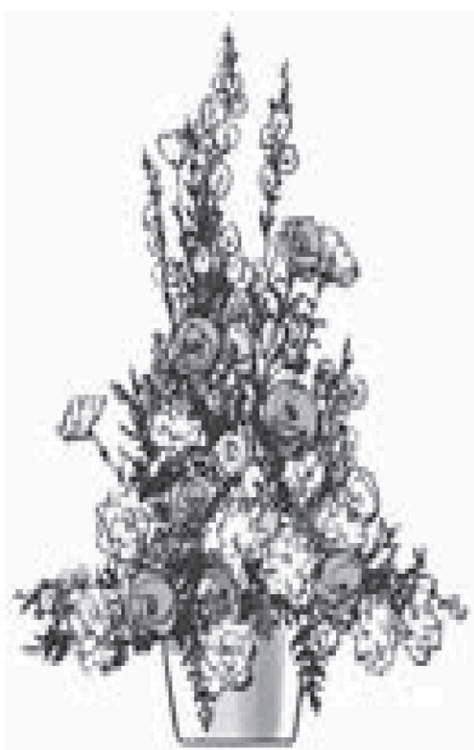
Always in my thoughts,
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In Memoriam

MUSTY, Jimmy: 1971- 1981

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A husband who loses a wife is called a widower.
A child who loses his parents is called an orphan.
There is no word for parents who lose a child.
That's how awful the loss is.
It's been 39 years Jimmy and We still miss you .*

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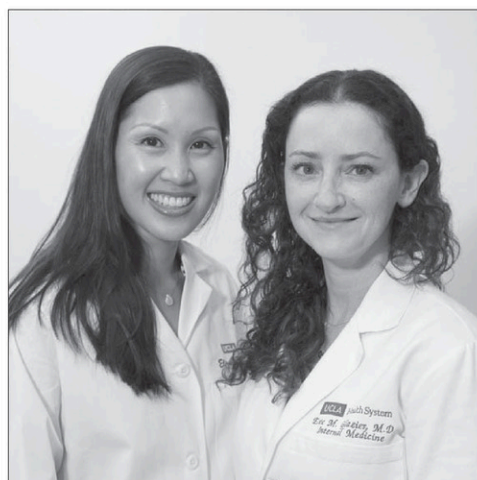
TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2020
Today is the 210th day of 2020 and the 39th day of summer.
TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1914, Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia, marking the official beginning of World War I.
In 1932, President Herbert Hoover ordered the U.S. Army to evict the Bonus Army protesters from government property in Washington, D.C.
In 1945, heavy fog caused a diverted U.S. military B-25 bomber to crash into the Empire State Building in New York City, killing 14 people.
In 2005, the Irish Republican Army renounced violence as a political tactic and ordered its units to disarm and

cease all terrorist activities.
TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Beatrix Potter (1866-1943), children's author/illustrator; Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis (1929-1994), first lady; Bill Bradley (1943-), basketball player/U.S. senator; Jim Davis (1945-), cartoonist; Sally Struthers (1947-), actress; Hugo Chavez (1954-2013), Venezuelan president; Scott Pelley (1957-), TV journalist; Dana White (1969-), UFC president; Manu Ginobili (1977-), basketball player; Harry Kane (1993-), soccer player.
TODAY'S FACT: Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis was fluent in French, Spanish and Italian.
TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1989, Vince Coleman's stolen-base streak ended

at 50. The Cardinals outfielder's record-setting streak included six steals from the 1988 season.
TODAY'S QUOTE: "Believe there is a great power silently working all things for good, behave yourself and never mind the rest." – Beatrix Potter
TODAY'S NUMBER: 126 – postseason games won together by San Antonio Spurs teammates Manu Ginobili, Tim Duncan and Tony Parker, the most by any trio of players on a single team in NBA history.
TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter moon (July 27) and full moon (Aug. 3).

Wearing heels damages foot muscles

ASK THE DOCTORS



by Eve Glazier, M.D., and Elizabeth Ko, M.D.

the full weight of our bodies and carry us through the thousands of steps in our daily lives.
One of the best things you can do for your feet is to give them a break from high heels, even just for a few days per week. Not only do high heels shift you forward and force your full weight onto the balls of your feet, they prevent you from properly using the muscles of your feet (and your legs) as you walk. Speaking of which, one of the best exercises for getting feet into shape is exactly that – walking. Get a pair of supportive and flexible athletic shoes, and take a stroll. Be conscious of rolling through the foot, heel to toe, in a deliberate but natural motion. Don't be surprised if this feels strange or even awkward at first. We tend to treat our feet as solid blocks rather than the intricate and articulated wonders that they actually are.

and gradually raise your heel so that you balance on the ball of your foot. Hold for a few seconds, then gently lower again. If your ankles are strong, you can slowly and deliberately roll the ball of your foot from side to side and in a circular motion, which engages a range of muscles and – bonus – gives a nice massage. This exercise can be done either seated or standing.
– Toe point: Extend your leg and, in a fluid motion that starts at the heel and rolls through the arch and down to the toes, gently extend your foot. Point your toes, hold for a few seconds, and then reverse the movement until you're flexing your heel.
– Toe dome: Standing barefoot, gently grip the floor with all five toes of each foot, as though you're going to pick up a dollar bill. You'll form a small dome when you're doing this one right. Hold for a few seconds and then release.

Dear Doctor: I'm 44 years old, and after wearing high heels to work for the last 20 years, I've lost flexibility in my feet. It also seems to be affecting my balance. Can you recommend foot exercises that can help?

Dear Reader: Considering the important work they do, our feet don't get the attention they deserve. And yet, these complex systems of muscles, bones, tendons and ligaments form the base from which we balance, bear

When it comes to a specific foot workout, exercises that take just a few minutes a day can make a difference.
– Toe lift: Stand barefoot and, without straining, slowly and gently raise all 10 toes off the floor. Hold for a few seconds, then lower again. When you're comfortable with this move, add some more repetitions, this time fanning your toes apart as you lift and lower them.
– Heel lift: Engage your calf muscle

Don't try to do too much all at once. Work your way up to eight to 10 repetitions of each exercise. With just five minutes a day, you'll soon regain strength and flexibility, and your feet will thank you.
(Eve Glazier, M.D., MBA, is an internist and associate professor of medicine at UCLA Health. Elizabeth Ko, M.D., is an internist and assistant professor of medicine at UCLA Health.)

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Interested in meeting siblings

Dear Annie

Dear Annie: Shortly after I was born, my mother and biological father divorced. My mother later married the man who I grew up with and will always call "Dad."

I didn't know about all of this until I was about 12 years old when my parents told me that my grandmother from my biological father wanted to see me after all these years. Over the years, I kept in touch with my grandmother until she passed away about 11 years ago. During that time, she only briefly mentioned my father. I knew that my father had remarried and had other children, but I knew that his new wife would not allow any mention of me to the other children.

Last year, I found my uncle and his son on Facebook and found out my father had died five years previously. I also found out that I had three brothers and two sisters.

I am 55 years old. Is it strange that I want to meet them, at least via email or social media? And since they presumably don't know I exist, should I? - Curious

Dear Curious: There is nothing strange about wanting to get in touch with your brothers and sisters. What is strange is your father's wife's complete

denial that you existed and not telling you that he passed away. Contact them. As long as you don't know what your brothers and sisters will be like, try to meet them without having any expectations.

Dear Annie: I am responding to the letter, "Anxious to the Point of Paralysis." As someone who struggles with social anxiety myself, I think the advice you offered is very good. I want to suggest some additional resources to the letter's writer.

First, there are interactive workbooks that mimic the weekly structure of therapy sessions and contain many of the same exercises that therapists use. One example is "The Mindfulness and Acceptance Workbook for Social Anxiety & Shyness." I have been using it myself, and it is helpful for setting goals and making plans to tackle anxiety in stages.

Second, there are websites and apps that connect strangers for conversations. They can be a good way to practice socializing and become more comfortable talking with people. The most important thing I've learned through my own journey with anxiety is that the only way to improve is by actively putting yourself in the social situations that scare you and getting used to them. - Anxious in New Jersey

Dear Anxious in New Jersey: Thank you very much

for your letter. These suggestions look wonderful. Congratulations to you on using helpful tools to manage your anxiety.

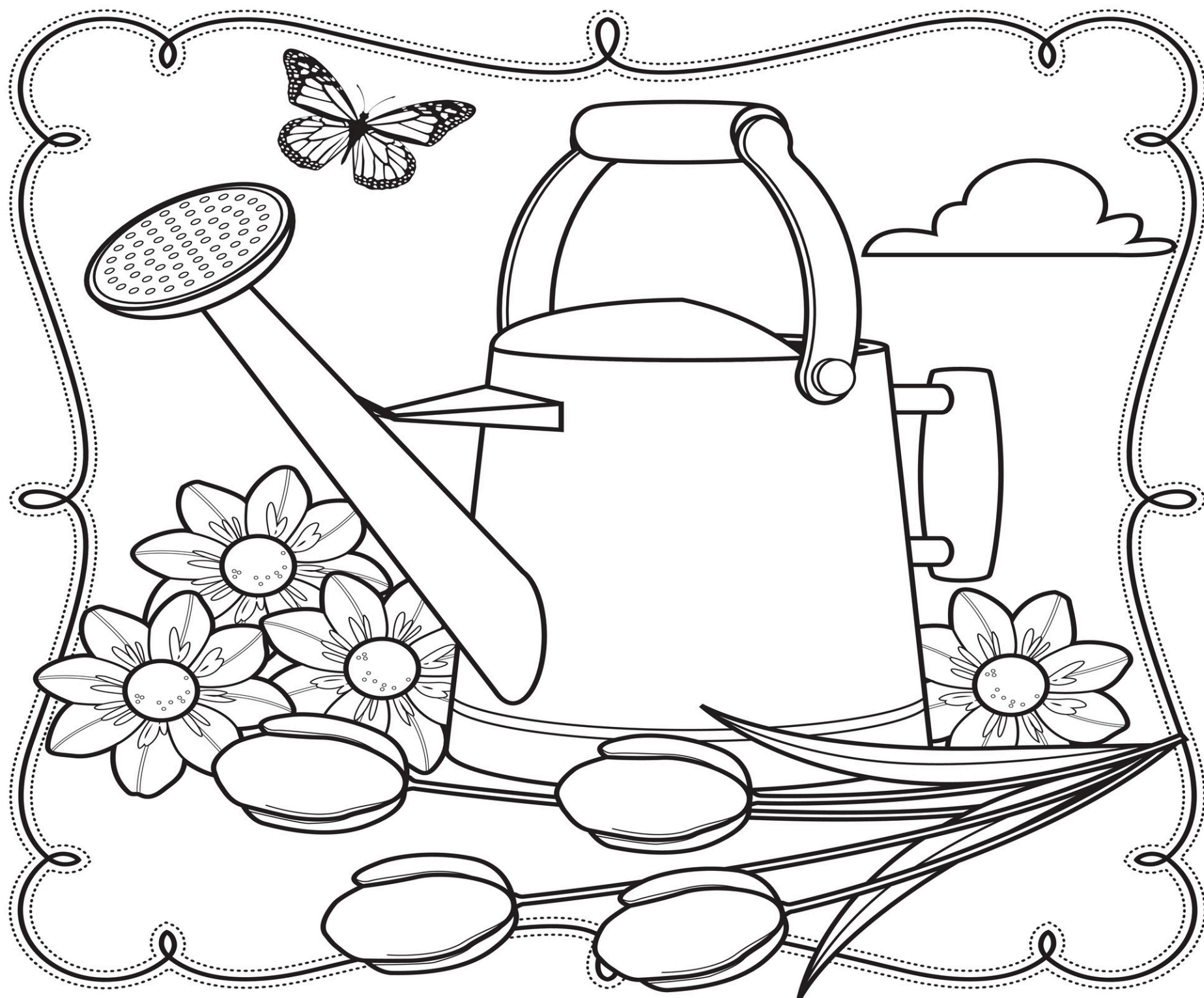
Dear Annie: I've been with this man for over seven years. In the last couple of years, he's treated me badly by lying. He ignores me when his friends come around. I don't want to stay in this relationship anymore. But it's hard for me to leave him. What will it take for me to leave him before it gets worse? - Hard to Leave

Dear Hard to Leave: Given the way he is treating you, it is going to be a great deal harder in the long run to stay than leave. Try and keep the big picture in mind. It doesn't sound like his behavior is going to change after seven years.

Keep the long-term goal in mind that you deserve to be in a relationship of honesty, love and respect.

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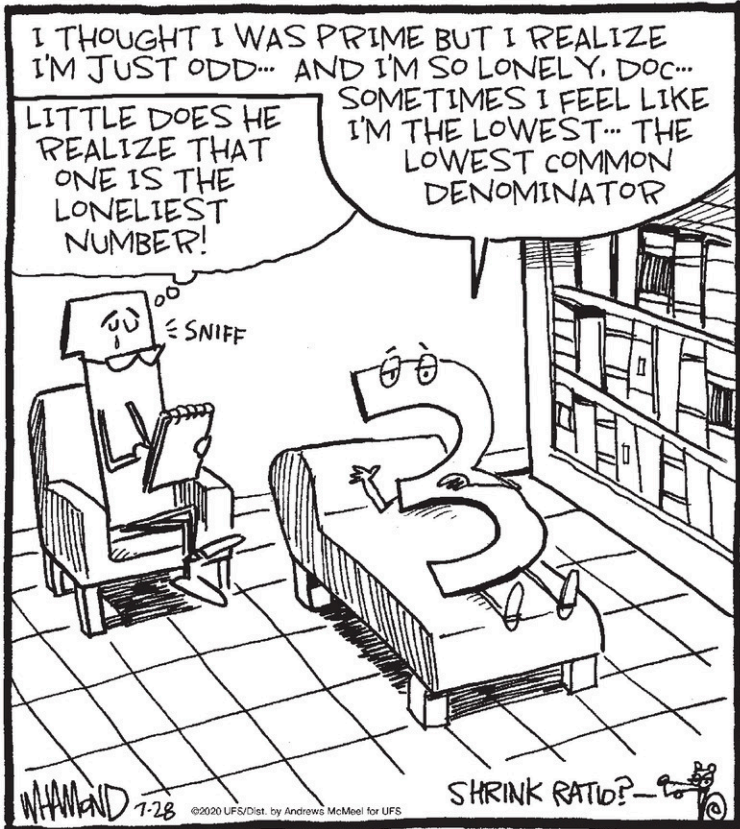
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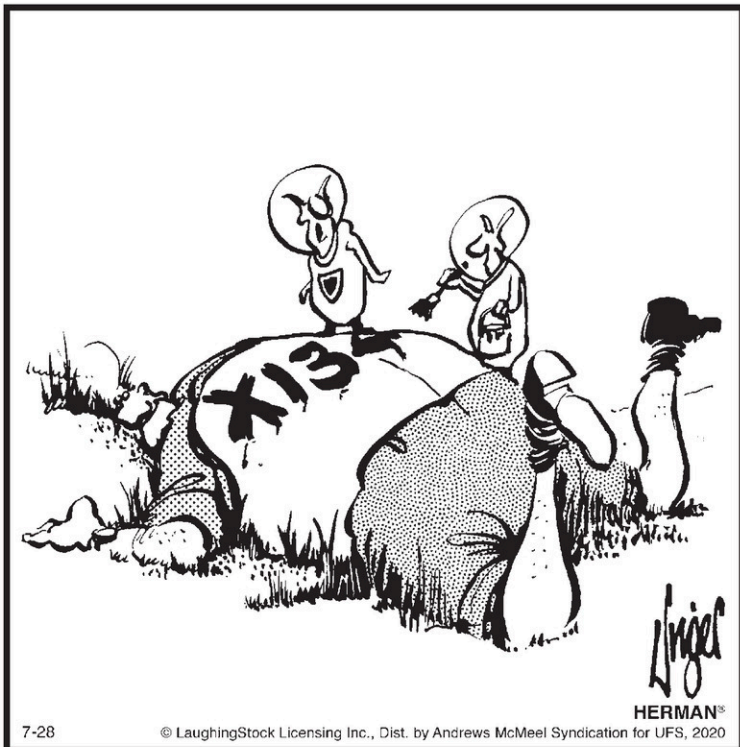
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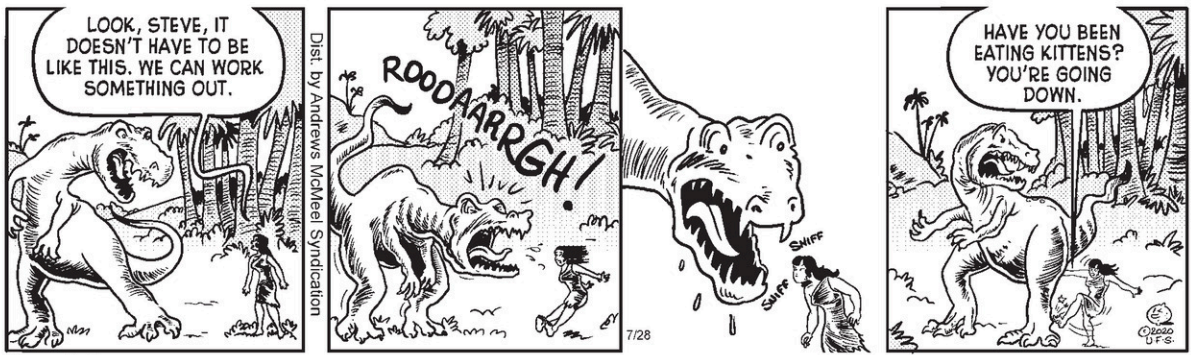


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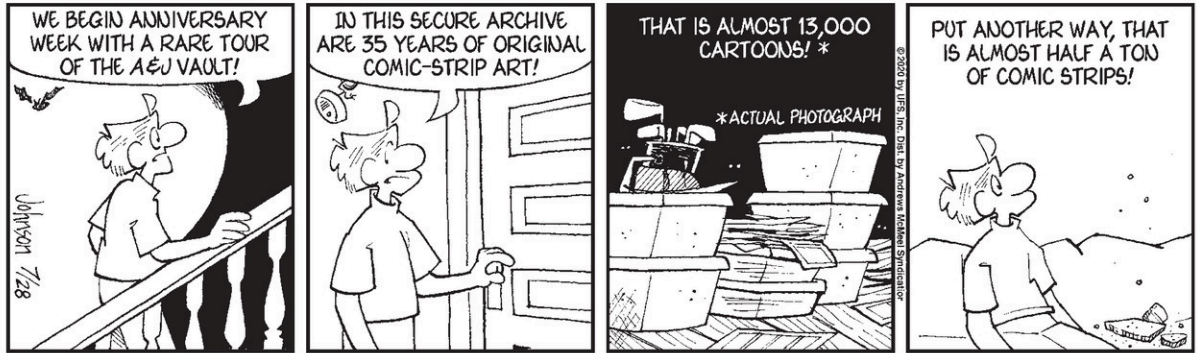


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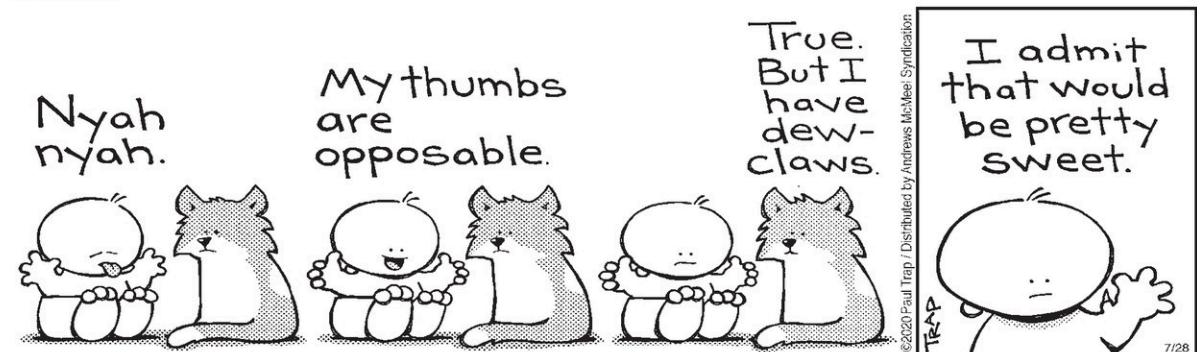
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Clue: Luminous point

C. 18 2 7 13

Clue: Warmth

D. 18 10 9 5 11 3 2 15

Clue: Lightest element

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adjustments to ensure that your plans unfold without a hitch. Contact a former co-worker to get the help required to reach your expectations.

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PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) - Use past connections to bring you up to date regarding changes in your community or the workplace. Innovation and intelligence will help you surpass any competition you encounter today.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) - Adopting an unorthodox financial plan may seem outlandish, but when you crunch the numbers and consider the savings, you'll revisit the idea. If you take physical action, good things will happen.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) - Think about what you want. A partnership with someone who shares your interests and beliefs will be of great value. An emotional discussion will bring you closer to a loved one.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - Refuse to let others' actions throw you off-guard. Keep moving at a consistent pace to overcome any setbacks. Personal improvements will push you to go the distance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) - Don't give up or settle for less. Take the initiative and go after your goals. Positive change is possible; the only thing holding you back is you.

Stop procrastinating and follow through with your plans. Refuse to let emotions stand between you and what's best. Pursue your passion, and be true to yourself and honest with those around you. Confront what needs to be changed and don't take romance, love and family ties for granted.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Don't put yourself in a precarious position. Be consistent and follow your heart. A routine that promises better health, peace of mind and compatibility with others is encouraged.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - You are responsible for your happiness. Take control of your life, say what's on your mind and refuse to let anyone stand between you and what you want to achieve.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) - Rely on your skills, intelligence and beliefs. If someone tries to push you in a different direction, recognize what you have to do, and follow your path.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) - Review what's possible and make it happen. Don't forgo an opportunity because someone feels threatened by the changes you want to make. Let go of the past and focus on your happiness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) - Don't let the compliments you receive lead you down the wrong path. Stick to the rules and to the people you know you can trust. Make home and family priorities.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Make

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Impulsive
 - 5 Small dent
 - 9 Noah's boat
 - 12 Pancho Villa's coin
 - 13 Oscar's cousin
 - 14 Caesar's 52
 - 15 Shed, as light
 - 16 Aggressive
 - 18 Contributions
 - 20 Gulps down
 - 21 Little kid
 - 22 Tai — chuan
 - 23 Mood
 - 26 Opulence
 - 29 Sardonic
 - 30 Regular
 - 32 Steak cut
 - 34 Yin complement
 - 36 Sundance Kid's girl
 - 38 Before, in combos
 - 39 Powerful beams
 - 41 Odometer button
 - 43 Actress — Hagen
- 44** Opposite of ruddy
- 45** Zeno follower
- 48** Maine export
- 52** Less refined
- 54** Sky bear
- 55** Estuary
- 56** Work in the newsroom
- 57** Take a chance
- 58** Bracket type
- 59** Mad rush
- 60** Fencing sword
- DOWN**
- 1 Zoomed
 - 2 Verne skipper
 - 3 Speller's phrase (2 wds.)
 - 4 Starchy food
 - 5 Like some arenas
 - 6 Long-legged wader
 - 7 Nothing at all
 - 8 Kimono wearer
 - 9 Jai —

- 10 Chime
- 11 Model airplane sets
- 17 Durable fabric
- 19 Deli scale word
- 22 Penny
- 23 Road map info
- 24 Russian range
- 25 Chatty starling
- 26 Hoses down
- 27 Tees and tubes
- 28 Charter
- 31 "Alice" waitress
- 33 Mesh fabric
- 35 NASA outfit (hyph.)
- 37 Speedy steed
- 40 Worked with acid
- 42 Double-check
- 44 Value
- 45 Dry and withered
- 46 Follow
- 47 By mouth
- 48 Luau souvenirs
- 49 Journey
- 50 To be, to Brutus
- 51 Do a fall chore
- 53 Boise's st.

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Once on the road, do not deviate

By Phillip Alder

Lewis Carroll wrote, "If you don't know where you are going, any road will take you there."

Some bridge players are like that. They don't know how they are going to make or break a contract, so they just pull cards and hope that they get home. But more often than not, they will run out of fuel first.

On other deals, partner suddenly steers down a road that looks closed. But if you trust him, follow him - with luck, he knows something that hasn't crossed your mind.

This deal occurred during the 1975 European Championships, in the open match between Belgium and Greece. How did East-West defeat four hearts?

North's hand looks good for a single raise, and advocates of the Losing Trick Count will note that the hand has only seven losers, which is the normal number for a game-forcing raise! North should have invited game. But when South, with a six-loser hand, made a help-suit game-try in diamonds, North happily jumped to game.

West, George Roussos, led the diamond queen; East, Hercules Matrangas, overtook with his king and returned the spade jack. Thinking his partner had switched to a singleton, West won with the ace and played back a spade.

North 07-28-20			
♠ K Q 10 9 5			
♥ 5 3 2			
♦ 9			
♣ K 7 6 5			
West		East	
♠ A 7 6 4 3		♠ J 8	
♥ A 10 6		♥ 9 4	
♦ Q J 5		♦ A K 6 4 3 2	
♣ 3 2		♣ 10 9 4	
South			
♠ 2			
♥ K Q J 8 7			
♦ 10 8 7			
♣ A Q J 8			
Dealer: South			
Vulnerable: Both			
South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♦	Pass	4♥	All Pass
Opening lead: ♦ Q			

When East didn't ruff, declarer probably felt happy, but that joy didn't last. When he played a trump to his jack, West won with the ace and led another spade. East's ruff with the heart nine effected an uppercut, promoting West's heart 10 as the setting trick.

West could have also defeated the game with an unlikely opening club lead. The curious may work it out.