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Pen protest calls for protection of pregnant guards

By Maurice Crossfield

A group of approximately 50 prison guards held a predawn demonstration in front of the Cowansville Penitentiary Wednesday to demand that pregnant guards not be put in potentially dangerous situations.

"There are all sorts of policies for female prisoners," said Sarah Binder, spokesperson for the Union of Canadian Correctional Officers (UCCO-SACC). "It's unfair that there isn't something for the guards."

The 6 a.m. protest was called because two pregnant guards at the facility are presently on unpaid leave. The union, an affiliate of the CSN, says the management at the Cowansville pen refused to reassign the pregnant guards to jobs where they would not be in contact with the inmates.

The union says the guards were moved into non-contact office jobs, but were later reassigned to so-called "light contact" positions, where they would,

at times, be around inmates.

"It cannot be tolerated under the pretext that the probability of aggression is low, because it still puts in danger the life of the guard and her unborn child," said Pierre Mallette, provincial president of UCCO-SACC.

Mallette added that in the jobs offered by the institution, an inmate who is intoxicated or planning an escape or hostage-taking could put the guard in a violent situation.

However, Normand Daoust, spokesman for Corrections Canada, said every effort is made to not put a pregnant guard in danger. He said various options are offered to pregnant guards once they present proof of pregnancy.

"Sometimes we don't agree on the notion of danger," Daoust said. "If we propose a job where an inmate comes into the office once or twice a week to clean, does it represent a danger?"

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Videotron changes leave customer tuned out

Push for Illico service has client unhappy

By Daniel Huot
FLEURIMONT

Videotron's latest move in a search to get customers to switch from its Videoway terminal to the new Illico TV-Internet digital service is leaving some local residents tuned out.

On Dec. 4, the company cut off the TMN, A&E, Bravo, TNN, Life and Showcase channels, all in English, from its slate of programs offered on Videoway in Coaticook and Fleurimont.

"We've installed our digital service," said Videotron spokesman Jean-Paul Galarneau. "It means those communities are now on the same schedule as Sherbrooke."

"If they subscribe to the Illico termi-

nal instead of Videoway, they can get the same service back."

But don't count on Fleurimont resident Rena Astbury to be happy about Videotron's latest changes. She claims the cable company failed to notify her of the alterations, leaving her with a fuzzy screen in place of her usual channels.

Astbury notified the Cable Television Standards Council, a public watchdog, on Dec. 5 that she had lost access to services and channels on her Videoway machine the previous day, and her contract with Videotron has been breached.

"My clause 5 says they (Videotron) have to give me 30 days notice," she said, adding that she was charged for the channels that are no longer avail-

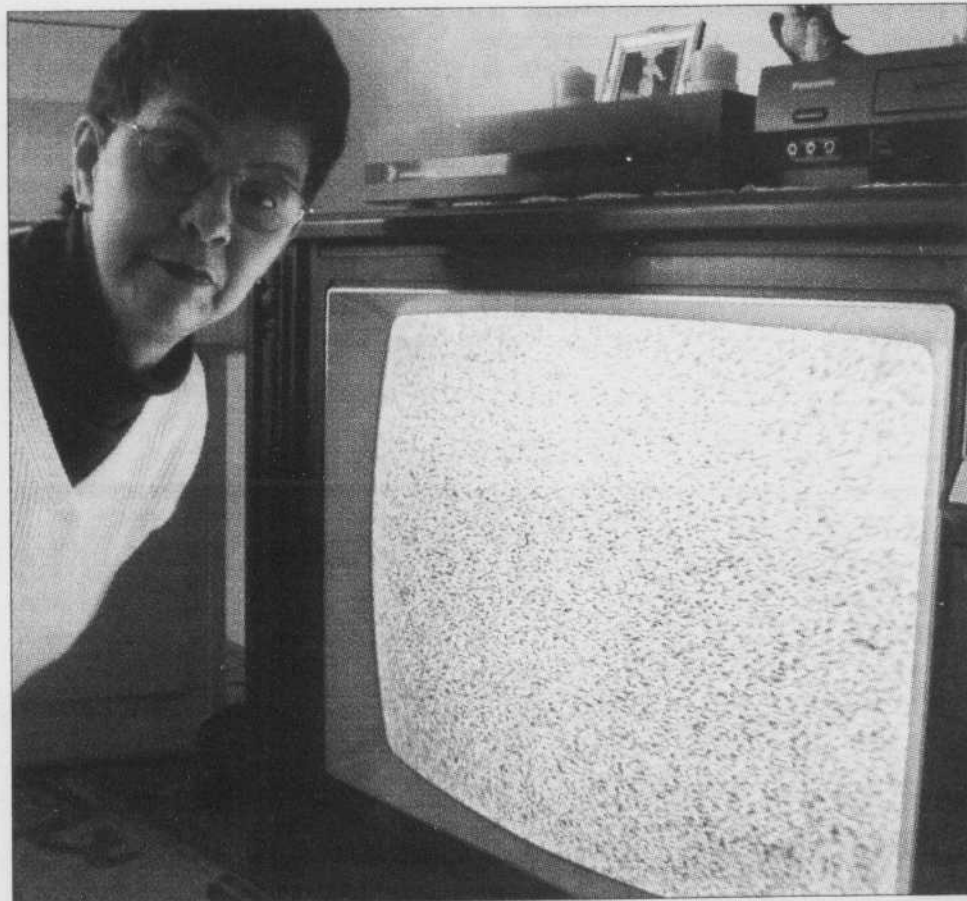
able. "I never got it."

That clause states: "The company may modify the content of the services or any provision of this contract by giving the customer at least 30 days prior notice. However, no notice shall be required in respect of a modification in the content of the services. If the contributions of the Company with regard to such services remain appreciably the same and the applicable fees are not affected."

After contacting the Videotron customer service office, Astbury was notified that she might be right.

"You can refer to the terms of clause 5 of your Videoway contract, which is on the back side of your bill," said a Videotron representative.

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PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Videotron customer Rena Astbury is unhappy with changes her service provider has recently made.

Polls show community groups are important to social development

By Rita Legault
SHERBROOKE

The vast majority of Sherbrooke area residents believe community groups play an essential role in the development of society and most believe they have an important job in denouncing social inequities and injustice.

Those were among the facts to come out of an Everest Poll conducted for the Regroupement des organismes communautaires de l'Estrie (ROC) on the public

perception and image of local community groups.

The opinion poll also found there is a lot of confusion about the distinction between community groups, which provide a wide range of community-based social services, and social and service clubs like the Knights of Columbus and the Optimist Club as well as charitable organizations and foundations like Centraide, Caritas and the Fondation Rock Guertin.

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A crash course on Canadian military justice

While the popular television military drama JAG does its very best to portray the military legal profession as an elite group of young officers traversing the globe while searching for the truth, it does little to help the many viewers understand what our military justice system is really about.

They aren't alone. Very few lawyers have ever set foot in a military court, much less prosecuted or represented a member of the Canadian Armed Forces.

Law schools pay scant attention to the subject of contemporary military law and as for the media, in-depth coverage of court martials, contrary to criminal jury trials, has never been a high priority.

This may all change due to President Bush's controversial decision to prosecute non-U.S. citizens suspected of terrorism before military tribunals rather than before ordinary courts.

Although any similar decision by the Canadian government would be struck down by our Charter of Rights and Freedoms, it is as good a time as any to take a peek at our own military justice system.

While military law consists of the statutes and regulations governing the military establishment, the primary purpose of military law is to maintain discipline and good order in the armed forces.

CODE OF SERVICE DISCIPLINE

The National Defence Act is the governing statute and as such, incorporates the all-important Code of Service Discipline. It is this code that forms the very basis of our military justice system as it provides for the arrest and pre-trial custody of service members, sets out the service offences and punishments and establishes the different military tribunals.

So why is it important for our military establishment to have its own justice system?

The need for a separate justice system to enforce disciplinary standards

in the military has a history that dates back to the earliest organized military forces. In the words of the Supreme Court of Canada, the purpose of a separate system of military tribunals is to allow the Armed Forces to deal with matters that pertain directly to the discipline, efficiency and morale of the military.

Without a code of discipline and particularly one which is applied with fairness and expediency, no force could function efficiently. Military commanders would simply lack the means to receive prompt obedience to their lawful orders.

This accounts for why the Code of Service Discipline includes a number of service offences that are uniquely military in nature such as insubordination, failure to carry out orders properly, showing cowardice before the enemy and absence without leave.

An equally important characteristic of our military judicial system resides in the use of trained military officers who have extensive military knowledge and experience.

The theory is that justice cannot not be served unless a military infraction is judged by someone familiar with the military context.

JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL

The Judge Advocate General (JAG), is the superintendent of the administration of military justice in the Canadian Forces as well as legal advisor to the Canadian government on military law. To be eligible for the position a candidate must be a lawyer with at least 10 years standing at the bar of a province while holding a rank that is not less than brigadier-general.

LEGAL BRANCH OF THE CANADIAN FORCES

As for the approximately 150 lawyers assigned to the Legal Branch of the Canadian Forces, they are practically all regular and reserve force com-

missioned officers who hold rank of not less than Captain and who for the most part work under the command of the Judge Advocate General.

A number of them serve the military justice system as part of the autonomous prosecution and defence organizations at courts martial. Up until September 1, 1999 the prosecution function was performed by members of the Office of the Judge Advocate

General.

Following the Somalia Commission of Inquiry, the Canadian Military Prosecution Service was established in order to enhance the separation between the prosecution function at courts martial and the chain of command and thereby insulate it from external influences.

The Director of Military Prosecutions is now responsible for preferring all charges that are to be tried by court martial and to conduct all prosecutions at courts martial.

The Defence Counsel Services was established for much the same reasons and its director is now responsible for the supervision of legal services to persons facing proceedings under the Code of Service Discipline.

MILITARY JUDGES

By law, military judges must be lawyers with at least 10 years standing at the bar of a province who are assessed by the Military Judges Selection Committee before being appointed by the Federal Cabinet. Their primary role and responsibilities are to preside at courts martial and perform other judicial duties under the National Defence Act.

Last January, three new military judges were appointed from among the ranks of Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel and Commander.

Unlike other units of the Canadian Forces, the Office of the Chief Military Judge is no longer part of the chain of command so as to meet the necessary

level of independence required by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

SERVICE TRIBUNALS

Military offences are handled by either one of two types of service tribunals-summary trials for minor offences and courts martial for more serious offences.

Sentences vary between reprimands, fines, forfeiture of seniority, reduction in rank, dismissal with disgrace and imprisonment. Over 90% of all disciplinary proceedings are dealt with by summary trials conducted primarily by commanding officers.

The National Defence Act recognizes four types of court martials within the Canadian Forces based on the seriousness of the charge, possible punishment, rank or status of the accused and location of the trial. They are referred to as the General Court Martial, the Disciplinary Court Martial, the Standing Court Martial and the Special General Court Martial.

Despite their differences, they are all conducted much like civilian criminal proceedings. A General Court Martial is composed of a Military Judge and a panel of five officers of the Canadian Forces. The presiding Judge ensures that the trial is conducted in an orderly and judicial manner which includes having to rule on all points of law and determining the appropriate sentence.

The members of the court martial are effectively the triers of fact much like ordinary jurors. They determine, by majority vote, the guilt or innocence of the accused.

While our military justice system differs in many ways from our civil system, recent sweeping amendments to the National Defence Act, spurred on by high court decisions and Commissions of Inquiry, have done much to eradicate systemic conflicts of interest while enticing higher standards of fairness, independence and impartiality.

Next week: Military investigations
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Weather

Thursday: Showers. High near 8. Winds southerly 15 to 30 km/h.

Friday: A few showers. Low near 3. High near 6. Probability of precipitation 60 per cent.

Saturday: Sunny with cloudy periods. Low near minus 8. High near 1.

Sunday: Sunny. Low near minus 8. High near 3.

Normals for the period: Low minus 13. High minus 3

Ben by Daniel Shelton



Danville to remove six stop signs, vows study

Council decision follows complaints by local business people

By Stephen McDougall
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD
DANVILLE

After a tense debate amongst its members, Danville town council voted four to two to remove six stop signs on DuCarmel and Grove streets.

The signs being removed on DuCarmel are at the intersections of Bennett and Pinnacle Roads and Roy and Giguère streets. On Grove, the signs at the intersection of Hamilton and Maple Grove will be removed.

Stop signs at the intersections of DuCarmel and Lafrance, as well as at Grove and Crown will remain in place.

The vote by council was in response to pressure from town business people who feared the signs were discouraging visitors from entering the town and buying goods and services.

The signs had been put up over the past three years by residents who believed traffic was increasing, especially after construction on the Magnola magnesium factory began.

An earlier proposal to have the issue put under study was rejected by some councillors who felt the signs had to be removed as soon as possible. But other councillors argued the wishes of residents who petitioned

for the signs should not be ignored.

In the end, councillors Jacques Hémond, Paul-Emile Couture, Madeleine Auclair and Germain Ducharme supported the sign removal. Councillors Thérèse Arbour and André Lapointe voted against the removal.

After the vote, councillor Couture proposed the town form a study group to poll residents this winter on the use of stop signs.

"We need to know exactly how residents feel about stop signs in this town," he said.

His proposal was approved by the rest of the council.

Chamber of Commerce president Martine Satre welcomed the decision to remove the six stop signs, but argued the issue is far from over.

"It's a fragile decision," she said. "The group of residents who got the stop signs put up could easily return to pressure the council to reverse this decision very soon."

"What we need is a consensus by all parties."

In other town business, the Danville council decided to support a plan by the Asbestos municipal regional council (MRC) to take over the running of the Asbestos hockey arena.

The 50 year-old arena is operated by a non-profit group in Asbestos, and is presently running a deficit that is being covered for the most part by surrounding or nearby municipalities.

Asbestos town clerk Yvan Provencher said the largest portion

of the deficit is being paid by his town.

"The plan would be to have the MRC take over running the arena and find a better way to finance its operations," he said.

MRC director general Georges André Gagné estimated the cost of taking over the arena at \$300,000.

He told Danville town council Tuesday night he hopes to get all seven towns in the MRC to contribute money for the project.

But he added that if some of the towns don't contribute, the MRC is ready to ask the Quebec government for permission to force them to pay up.

So far, said Gagné, the only town not showing any interest is Ham-Sud, a small hamlet next to Ham Mountain.

Danville mayor Charles Noble supported the project, saying the asking price is reasonable.

"Most arenas cost a lot more than \$300,000," he said. "And once the MRC owns it, it will be better managed. All the towns will have a say in its use, and we could draw in revenue by renting it out to organizations more often in the summer."

Under the MRC plan, the project would be financed by a 10-year bank loan, involving payments of \$38,000 per year. In addition, the MRC would require an extra \$12,000 a year be raised by the towns to fund future repairs to the building.

Noble said about half of the money needed each year could be raised by

the towns based on their municipal evaluations and the rest raised by user fees at the arena.

"We figure Danville's share of the purchase and maintenance will come out to about \$10,000 per year, which is close to what we already contribute in maintenance fees to keep the building in operation for local sporting events."

Noble said in the past, the arena's maintenance was largely covered by Canadian Johns-Manville, which operated the open pit asbestos mine in nearby Asbestos up until 1986. But as the asbestos markets started to shrink, he said, the bulk of the costs for the arena were transferred to the non-profit group and area municipalities.

Finally, Danville residents wanting to know what their municipal tax rates will be in 2002 will have to wait until January.

Director general Michel Lecours said the Danville budget, usually ready by December, will now be tabled on Jan. 10. He said the delay is being caused by the slowness in getting information from the Quebec government.

"We need to know what grants and other revenues we'll receive from Quebec next year before we can calculate our budget," he said.

"And most of that information will not arrive until later this month. Then, by law, we need enough time to advise the residents of the tabling of the budget. So it will have to wait until January."

BRIEFS

CLSC holiday schedule

In Bedford, the emergency will be functional on Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, 9 a.m. to noon. In Cowansville and Farnham, the CLSC will be closed from Dec. 25-26, and Jan. 1-2

During other days over the holidays, the regular schedule applies unless you have already been given an appointment.

Blood donor clinic

Thursday, Dec. 20, Fleurimont, Julien-Ducharme Centre gymnasium, 1671 Duplessis Rd. Open from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Objective: 225 donors

Correction

In an article in Wednesday's Brome County entitled 'Annual parade continues 46 years of tradition', it was reported that Gaetan Forges' snow car won first place in the individual category of the float competition. It should have read that the Peasley family won first place. The Record regrets the error.

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Daoust said it is not always possible to guarantee no contact with inmates. He said the issue is normally dealt with on a case-by-case basis.

Adding to the mix, federal employees don't work under the same rules as other Quebec workers. In Quebec, the workman's health and safety board, the CSST, requires employers to move their pregnant workers out of jobs that present a danger to the unborn. If that's not possible, then employees are put on leave, paid by the CSST.

"When it's a federal employer, it's a different set of rules," Binder said.

Meanwhile, Daoust said under the Canadian Labour Code, the penitentiaries are living up to their obligations by offering options to expectant guards.

"We are trying to find options within the institution," he said. "If those options are not accepted, what do we do?"

In the interim, the two Cowansville guards remain at home, without an income. Annie Poirier, regional co-ordinator of women's issues for UCCO-SACC, said grievances have been filed on behalf of the two guards. She said further public actions will also be held in the coming weeks unless UCCO-SACC and Corrections Canada manages to resolve the issue.

"The next step will be to organize something really big," she said.

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Day in the sun for BM volunteers

By Caroline Kehne
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
COWANSVILLE

Member of Parliament Denis Paradis recently presented 17 members of his Brome-Missisquoi riding with awards in recognition of long-term volunteer work with community organizations.

The ceremony, which took place Monday morning at Cowansville's Auberge des Carrefours, was organized in association with the International Year of the Volunteer, recognizing the role of volunteers in maintaining healthy, balanced communities.

Volunteers, nominated by their organizations, received a medal and a certificate of appreciation for their contributions. Some of each individual's major contributions (but not all) are briefly highlighted below:

• **Claude Allard (Cowansville)** has been involved in a wide variety of community-based activities in sports, school, community and church-based organizations. He has also been involved with minor league hockey, baseball and Cowansville's figure skating club in addition to serving on several Centraide fundraising campaigns, school committees and as an active member in his parish, Ste-Thérèse-de-l'Enfant-Jésus.

• **Jean-Marie Beaupré (Magog)** has been involved in a number of youth-related activities, including hockey, triathlon and soccer. He has served on the board of directors of the Traversée internationale du lac Memphrémagog, and has played an active role in the marketing of Tri-Memphré.

• **Micheline Bissonnette (Farnham)**, an employee of Domco Tarkett, served as her company's co-ordinator for the local Christmas food-basket drive, raising funds from management and co-workers. She has been recognized for her perseverance in bringing others the message of hope in the holiday season.

• **Alfred Boulet (Cowansville)** has more than 30 years of experience as a volunteer, including extensive work in minor hockey and baseball, where he has held many posts. He is a member of the Optimists Club, Townships Toddlers, and worked as a volunteer on Cowansville's Blood Drive and BMP Hospital's annual fundraising campaign.

• **Pierre Désautels (Magog)** has been a volunteer since 1986. In addition to serv-

ing on the board of directors for Les Productions Les Baladins, he is also on the organizing committee for la Fête nationale de Magog, and has worked on behalf of the poor, artists, youth and senior citizens, including involvement in La Marche de l'Espoir, Christmas baskets and used toy campaigns.

• **Denis Deschamps (Bromont)** has been described as "a man with a big heart, always available for service," whether it is helping someone with a visual handicap, taking part in a food drive, volunteering during the 1998 ice storm, or working in the kitchen during the annual parish brunch. He has been recognized for his commitment to the Christian community of St-Vincent-Ferrier, and is acknowledged as someone available at all times for causes great and small.

• **Rolande Dubord (Bromont)** has been involved in a large number of local organizations for the last 25 years. Whether decorating St-François-Xavier Church or volunteering with groups such as the local blood clinic, the Alzheimer's Association, S.O.S. Dépannage, the Red Cross or Cercle de Fermières, she is recognized as a person who is involved in all aspects of community life.

• **Madeleine Fortin (Bedford)** has been a member and president of the school committee of Notre-Dame-de-Stanbridge, and a member of the school committee of École de Marcellin Champagnat in Iberville. She was a member on the board of directors of CLSC La Pommeraie from 1978-1985, where she served as Secretary-Treasurer from 1983-1985. Elected to Bedford's municipal council in 1987, she has been involved in many activities, including organizing the centenary festival. Finally, Fortin is a founding member of Regroupement des Organismes Communautaires des Rivières, and is active in many other community organizations.

• **Gil Gilbert (Bolton Centre)** was born in Dunham, but worked in Montreal's airline industry in marketing and management related positions. In his community, he has been a sports convenor, coach, school board commissioner and church warden. He is also active in the Anglican Church, the local chamber of commerce and president of Raquettes Brome. Additionally, Gilbert is a volunteer at the BMP Hospital Foundation, as well as a member of the Townshippers Association Board of Directors until 2001.

• **Mariette Jetté (Farnham)** has been described as a "volunteer with a heart of gold." She has worked on behalf of the poor, the elderly and the sick in several community orga-



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Volunteers in the Brome-Missisquoi area were recently recognized for long-term contributions.

nizations, and has also provided companionship visits and support to palliative care patients. She is currently involved with Popote Roulante, and serves on the Pastorale St-Fabien committee, supervising and organizing the soup kitchen.

• **Heather Keith-Ryan (Mansonville)** has been a resident of the Townships since 1967. She served as president of Townshippers Association in 1988 and again between September 2000 and June 2001. In 1989, she ran as an independent candidate in the provincial election. In 1970, she was the first woman elected as a municipal councillor in South Stukely and again, in Potton in 1989. She has also served as a building inspector and secretary-treasurer in South Stukely and Ste-Catherine-de-Hatley. She started Mansonville's tourist bureau in 1982.

• **Gaston Lafontaine (Lac Brome)** has been a resident of Lac Brome for 12 years. He has served as chairman of the Ville de Lac Brome Walking Path committee, on the board of directors of CLSC La Pommeraie and the Brome Lake Conservation Association. He is also active in church activities and other aspects of community affairs.

• **André Landry (Bedford)** began his volunteer activities in the mid-1970s. For six years he coached novice, pee-wee and bantam-level hockey in the winter, and softball in the summer. In 1984, he became a member of the Chevaliers de Colomb (Branch 2038), serving as "grand-chevalier" (1986-89) and as secretary treasurer (1996). In 1995, he joined the board of directors of the Bedford Caisse Populaire. He is also a member of the Club Richelieu-Lac Champlain.

• **Marion Phelps (Lac Brome)** was born in Stukely and counts among her ancestors some of the first settlers of West Bolton who arrived in 1827. She worked as a teacher until 1968, when she returned and began a second career as a volunteer.

Since the 1940s, she has been a pioneer and long-time curator of the Brome County Historical Society. Her contributions have been recognized, and in 1981 she was awarded the coveted Heritage Canada Award by the Governor General. Phelps was also named as one of Townshippers Association's Outstanding Townshippers in 1999.

• **Lucille Pouliot (Magog)** has served as vice president of the board of governors of Carrefour du Partage de Magog, where she is involved with Popote roulante and la table de l'amitié. For more than a dozen years, she has served on different committees within this organization, working for the improvement of services. She is also active with AFEAS St-Pratice.

• **Gary Richards (South Stukely)**, a Sherbrooke native, spent five years in the Canadian Navy before packing off to university. He has worked in public relations, alumni relations, fundraising and public affairs at three Quebec universities and, for the past eight years, as a freelance communications consultant. He served as president of the Townshippers Association from 1998-2000, and now serves on the board of directors. He is also an active volunteer at Moisson Estrie and with the Sherbrooke Bi-centennial Celebrations 2002 committee. From 2000-2001, he traveled across Quebec as part of the Estates General Commission on the situation and future of the French language.

• **Jean-Paul Sirois (Cowansville)**, a member of the municipal council, has been a member of the Chevaliers de Colomb since he was 18. He has been a volunteer baseball and hockey coach for young and old in Granby and president of the Chasse et Pêche softball league. He has also served as president of the town's centenary celebration, as well as president of Cowansville's historical society and is author of a book on heritage homes in Cowansville.



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Results to help ROC lobby more effectively

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Some even believed public institutions like CLSC community clinics were community groups.

"While there is a lot of ambiguity about what constitutes a community group, there is no question that citizens believe they fulfill an important role in providing help to the population," said ROC-Estrie president Charles Coulombe.

"They believe community groups don't just provide services, but that they also have an important role as a social watchdog."

Coulombe added that respondents did not reveal a paradox in their role of criticizing the government, a major source of their revenue.

"People think it's normal for community groups to receive public funding," he said.

Unlike public health care, social service institutions and private sector professionals who are paid for services, community groups are non-profit organizations which are born from the community to answer specific needs, he said. While a portion of their funding often comes from the government, community groups are autonomous and managed by boards of community representatives.

ROC-Estrie represents some 120 such groups working in 10 different sectors including youth, women, seniors, families, mental health, physically and mentally disabled, alcohol and drug abuse and food banks. But despite their widespread activities, one out of five respondents could not name a single community group, while many identified service clubs, charities and foundations instead.

One quarter of respondents had received help from a community group, and more than 94 per cent were satisfied with the services they had received, the polls show. Three-quarters of people polled said the competence of workers in community groups is equal to that of employees in public and private institutions.

Two thirds of respondents also believe that community groups respond to the needs of the general population and not just needy individuals, while nearly two thirds believe the services they get from community groups are comparable to services for health and social service institutions.

The polls show that community groups are perceived mainly as aid and support groups. Due to that perception, there is limited use of community groups which are often seen as a last recourse when people cannot get services from local health and social service institutions, point out pollsters.

More than two thirds of respondents believe community groups are run by volunteers, 71 per cent believe commu-

nity workers were as well trained as professionals in public and private institutions, and 75 per cent say they are as professional as those in public and private sector.

More than half of respondents (59 per cent) said they believed community groups are lobby groups, most (86 per cent) said they have an important role to play in denouncing social injustice and inequities, and almost all (98 per cent) said they are essential to social development.

In keeping with their perception that community groups include service clubs and charitable organizations, the vast majority of respondents believe community groups are funded through fundraising activities. The large majority of respondents — more than 91 per cent — believe the government should provide financial support to community groups.

ROC hopes the public opinions gathered by the poll will help ROC lobby more effectively for its members — particularly for recognition and funding of member groups.

Over the past few years, community groups were recognized and funded by the provincial government for the often essential services they render. Yet, with more and more groups seeking recognition, and with a budget that is stagnant, the Regional Health Board is now cutting funding from some groups to help fund others. The Régie régionale de la santé et des services sociaux de l'Estrie is also cutting recurrent core funding in favour of specific grants for specific projects.

That, Coulombe said is creating financial insecurity for community groups and causing them to spend too much time in the quest for project funding rather than accomplishing their mission. He said specific funding for projects also robs groups of their autonomy in deciding what services they provide and how.

Coulombe said the ROC and its members are not against specific funding grants, just the replacement of their core funding by such unpredictable financing.

"The less core funding you have, the more you are at the mercy of change," he said, adding the ROC and its members are lobbying the health board for more stable core funding.

ROC co-ordinator Marie-André Dupont points out that community groups in other regions receive more generous funding from their health boards. Coulombe said a better public understanding of community groups and their role in providing services may help lobby efforts.

"There is a love-hate relationship between community groups and the Régie," Dupont notes. "The Régie knows it needs community groups and community groups know they need the Régie."

Dupont said the strongest reaction of member groups to the public opinion

poll was the confusion about community groups and their role.

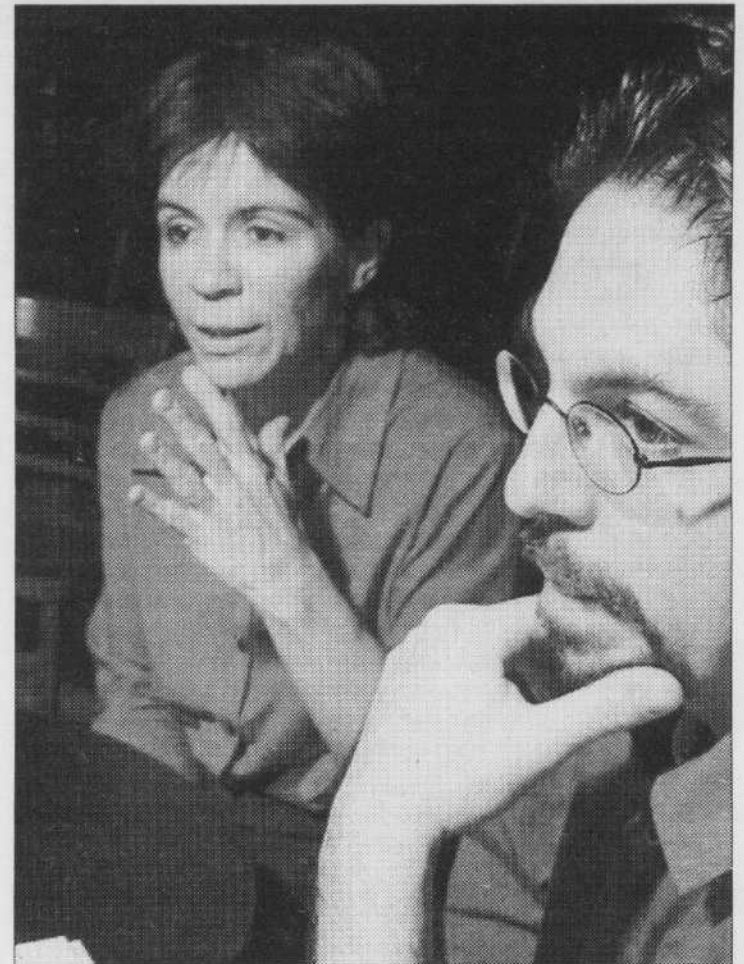
"There is a growing nebulousness that we have to decrease," she said.

Based on the findings of the poll, ROC plans to hire a consultant to help the group come up with a communications plan to help the public clarify the notion of community groups and their role, said Dupont.

Dupont points out the board of directors decided a communications strategy was needed to better promote community groups. The poll, which received some funding from the Regional Health Board, was done to help develop a communication plan.

The telephone poll questioned some 300 residents of Sherbrooke and the surrounding area between Sept. 18 and 20.

Results of the poll were weighted based on age and sex of the Estrie population. The margin of error is considered to be 5.6 per cent 19 times out of 20.



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Marie-Andrée Dupont and Charles Coulombe discuss poll results.

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Big corps are giving less service for more

DEAR EDITOR,

David Moore's letter "This Bell does not toll for thee" is a great example of what is really going on between us the 'lowly consumer' and the corporate GIANT provider. There was a time when a business was happy to break even, not be in debt after all their bills, salaries, and expenses were paid and IF there was a profit at the end of the year, GREAT.

Now we see BILLIONS of dollars in profits while we watch our service industry cutting back on basic services and we just keep forking out the dollars and saying nothing.

When our postage increased from 17 cents to 38 cents in only a couple years, I started up a campaign to fight this, and realized most people are going to keep their mouths closed and keep paying, with this kind of attitude, we will continue to see less service for more money, and UNTIL people stop accepting this as normal and fight for their rights and the rights of others, we will be at the mercy of these monopolies.

Having a telephone is no longer to be considered a luxury and those amongst us on a limited income do our best to keep our service BASIC, that means NO fills, now Bell is

going to make Touch Tone mandatory for everyone, no more PULSE dialing, and EVERYONE will have to pay for this service. The reason for this mandatory regulation is that those of us who are poor, know how to get around this Touch Tone free living, by making our calls in the Pulse position, then when we need to have touch tone to answer the multiple lists at the other end, we swift over the phone to the touch tone feature, costing us nothing extra.

Of course it is not as convenient as having Touch Tone built into your automatic dialing, but it is our CHOICE to save this added expense. Now we are going to see those of use that are just able to keep our phone service now, at \$23 a month, having to discontinue this service. We all know that people in today's world can not disconnect their phones, so what this means, is either less oil in the tank, or less food on the table for the elderly, and those of us living on a fixed income.

Maybe you should give us your friend's name and we can ALL make ONE call in his behalf, they can't tell us we would be harassing them with ONE call each, I am more than willing.

How about all of us telling Bell and these other monopolies that enough is enough already?

ANNA MAY KINNEY
Bury



Questions editorial freedom at Montreal daily

Dear Editor,
With the demise of editorial freedom at the Montreal Gazette, the Sherbrooke Record has become the only English language daily in Quebec with editorial integrity. This fact should be made known to Gazette readers and the public at large. Having been made aware of this fact, it would not be surprising if those who favour freedom of the press would turn to the Record to submit their important opinion pieces instead of the Gazette. This could be an historic opportunity for the Record. Let everyone know about

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Yours sincerely,

PAUL LEMOINE
e-mail

11th province?

Dear Editor,
I am 79 years old and still do not know where New Finland is. Mr. Tobin, MP of Newfoundland always said New Finland. Has the name been changed? The Governor-General said today she was combining Labrador to New Finland by an act of Government.

Do you not think that our members of Parliament should be able to pronounce each province properly?
Sincerely,

ERIC TRUSSLER
Lennoxville

The Record welcomes your letters to the editor. Please be sure to sign your letter, include a telephone number, and send it to an address on this page.

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Support Galt Christmas basket campaign

There is still time to share your good fortune with the less fortunate in our community. Bring your non-perishable food, gifts or donations to The Record office, Vaudry's Flower Shop in Lennoxville, Tissus Magog in Magog or Beliveau and Comeau in Stanstead before 4 today. You can also send a cheque made payable to ETSB, Christmas Basket Campaign to AGRHS, Box 50032, Lennoxville, J1M 1Z9.

Vocational Centre hands out the hardware

By Mike Hickey
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

The Lennoxville Campus of the Vocational Education Centre presented awards to outstanding students in six different fields Wednesday at a ceremony held on campus.

The event also included a motivational speech to the students presently enrolled at the Center by Bishop's University men's basketball coach Eddie Pomykala.

Pomykala, who has developed a niche as a motivational speaker for educational and youth groups, talked about the need for people to be willing to take chances in life and not be afraid of failing.

In his speech entitled "From Worse to First", he said people must be prepared to turn negative events into positive experiences, adding that the key to success is not to be afraid of failure and the ability to accept challenges in life.

Yvette Williams presented awards for exceptional overall performance by students in their final year of study to Cassy Clarke (Accounting), Sylvie Ouimet (Home Care & Family and Social Assistance), Andrew Viger (Machining Technics), Curt Marlin (Professional Sales), Diane Fournier (Secretarial Studies) and Graham Lyster (Welding & Fitting).

Tim Vaillancourt was presented the Drew Hartwell Naylor Memorial Award for most interest and improvement by a Machining Technics student. Robert Lagassé earned the Everest Equipment Memorial Award for outstanding achievement in Welding and Fitting, while Carmelle Lacroix was awarded the Drew Residence Award for excellence in her internship in

Home Care & Family & Social Assistance.

Natasha Ransom received the Mary Crozier Memorial Award for determination and sustained effort in Home Care, while Gary Drew took home the Sedborough Mayne Memorial Award for personal growth and professional improvement in Home Care.

Fournier, who graduated from New Horizons, and has a Fine Arts degree from Champlain College, feels she has found her place in life working as a secretary.

"The program here helped me acquire the skills needed to work in an office, particularly typing and word processing," said Fournier. "When I went for my stage at ETFS the people there was surprised at the level of my skills. That meant that I was getting the training I needed at the Centre.

"I used to argue with my great-grandfather when I was seven, and he would tell me that I was going to be a secretary," Fournier added. "I thought of him when I decided to take the secretarial course and now I am glad that he was right."

Curt Marlin, who works at Ameublement Frigon Inc. in Cowansville, believes that the self-confidence learnt in class was invaluable.

"The entire class was beneficial, especially the presentations which helped build up our confidence," Marlin said. "I was ready for a sales job when I graduated."



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Students at the Vocational Education Centre in Lennoxville were given awards Wednesday.

Petition for speed reduction makes it to National Assembly

By Maurice Crossfield

A petition calling for the reduction of the speed limit on Route 243 in Knowlton is now in the hands of the provincial government.

The petition, with 256 signatures on it, was deposited in the National Assembly by Brome-Missisquoi MNA Pierre Paradis on Nov. 30. John Mines, the driving force behind the petition, says he's now waiting to see what response he gets.

"I'm not going to let go of this," Mines said Wednesday. "If they say no we will find another means to get it done."

The stretch of provincial highway 243 in question extends from the intersection of Springhill Road to Bailey Road, at the limits of Brome Lake. The highway is a popular route for heavy trucks, with four gravel pits in the vicinity. It also serves as a throughway for logging trucks coming from Potton and West Bolton heading to lumber mills in West Brome and Cowansville.

The road also sees a lot of car traffic, with several small businesses, and in the winter it is used by skiers heading for Glen

Mountain, or to U.S. ski hills.

Though the section of road is in Brome Lake, it is a numbered provincial highway. Therefore it falls under provincial jurisdiction.

For the last two years, Mines has been lobbying to have the road reduced to a 50 km/h zone. Promised signs warning of school bus stops never appeared. He said the section of road has been the site of several major accidents and a number of near misses.

"We, the undersigned hereby call on Mr. Pierre Paradis, our member of the National Assembly, to present this petition to the appropriate provincial authorities and to demand that school bus stop signage be erected forthwith and that the speed limit of 50 km/hr apply all the way to the intersection of Bailey Road and Route 243," the petition says.

Mines said there has already been one positive effect of the petition: Some motorists have slowed down when they get into the area, but the problem persists.

"I get passed on the double line there almost every day," he said.



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Cooking up an old-fashioned Christmas

There was a time, not so many years ago, that people actually baked their own Christmas cookies, cakes and pies and created their own decorations and holiday gifts. It is wonderful to see so many people showing a desire to return to these customs.

During the last few weeks, I have had numerous request for special holiday recipes, so I thought this would be a great place to share a few of them.

NATURE'S WAY

ANNA MAY KINNEY

RED VELVET CAKE

2 ounces red food coloring
2 teaspoons cocoa, heaping
1/2 cup butter
1-1/2 cups sugar
2 eggs
1 cup buttermilk
2-1/2 cups flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon vinegar

Icing

3 tablespoons flour
1 cup milk

1 cup butter
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla

To prepare cake

• Make a paste of red food coloring and cocoa. Cream butter and sugar thoroughly.

• Add eggs and mix well, then add the paste. Add buttermilk alternately with the flour and salt. Beat well after each addition and then add vanilla.

• Put soda into the vinegar and fold into the batter. Pour batter into two greased

nine-inch cake pans and bake in a 350 F oven for 25 to 30 minutes.

Cool and split each layer in half, making four layers. Frost layers with icing.

To prepare icing

Cook flour and milk until thick. Then cool. Be sure it is cool. Cream butter and sugar. Add vanilla. Beat the two mixtures together until the consistency is that of whipped cream. Serves eight.

The following recipe is not completely from scratch, but using a combination of packaged ingredients and adding your own, you can proudly show this fabulous desert off at Holiday time.

RUM CAKE

Generously grease and flour bunt or tube pan. Sprinkle in one cup of chopped pecans.

Ingredients

1 yellow cake mix
1 package Instant Vanilla Pudding
4 eggs
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup oil
1/4 to cup rum

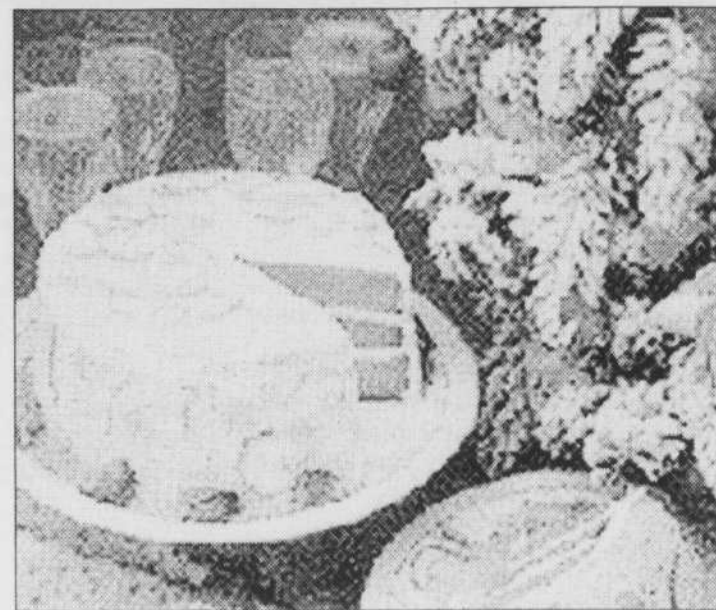
• Mix ingredients two minutes – batter will be pretty thick – pour into prepared cake pan and bake one hour at 325 F.

• Immediately when cake comes out of the oven (leave in pan) poke holes in bottom of cake (this is the top of a bunt cake, because it is turned upside down when taken out of pan) with ice pick or a like tool.

Sauce

1 stick (1/4 lb.) butter
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup water
1/4 to 1/2 cup rum

• Melt butter-add sugar and water and let come to a boil. Boil five minutes, remove from stove, then add rum. Gradually pour mixture over cake (in pan) and let it set till almost



ANNA MAY KINNEY

The red velvet cake makes a great holiday treat

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cool. Remove from pan.

This flexible recipe can be easily made into your very own invention by adding one or two of your favorites, M's and M's, nuts, chocolate or butter-scotch chips, or even some chopped dried fruit.

DISHPAN COOKIES

1 1/2 cups cooking oil
2 cups white sugar
2 cups brown sugar
4 eggs
2 teaspoons vanilla
4 cups flour
2 teaspoons baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 cups oat meal
4 cups corn flakes
1 cup coconut

• Mix all these ingredients in a very large pan until all are well blended;

• Drop by spoonfuls onto your cookie sheet and bake at 350 F until brown at the edges or as brown as you like.

NO BAKE ROCKY ROAD

Ingredients

2 cups semisweet chocolate chips
1 cup crunchy peanut butter
4 cups miniature marshmallows
• Grease a nine-by-nine inch pan.
• Heat chocolate chips and peanut butter over low heat in a medium-saucepan until chips are completely melted. Remove from heat. Stir in marshmallows.

• Pour into prepared pan. Cool. Can be put into refrigerator to cool. Cut and Enjoy! Makes one dozen

FOR MORE GREAT FUN RECIPES, CHECK OUT MY ONLINE COOKIE EXCHANGE AT [HTTP://ARADECE.TRIPOD.COM/COOKIE_EXCHANGE.HTM](http://ARADECE.TRIPOD.COM/COOKIE_EXCHANGE.HTM) AND PLEASE TAKE A MINUTE TO ENJOY MY 2001 CHRISTMAS SITE, THERE IS A LINK IN THE MIDDLE OF MY HOMEPAGE [HTTP://ARADECE.TRIPOD.COM](http://ARADECE.TRIPOD.COM).

Lennoxville Christmas party honours volunteers

By Bruce Patton
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
LENOXVILLE

For approximately 20 years, the personnel of Lennoxville Community Aid have organized a Christmas party in tribute to both the clients and volunteer workers of the association.

Last Tuesday afternoon, nearly 300 clients, 239 volunteers and members of the executive gathered at the ANAF 'hut' in Lennoxville to enjoy a moment of music, food and socializing.

This well-known institution offers a number of essential services to the community, including meals-on-wheels, escort transportation, blood pressure clinics, foot care clinics as well as information on a wide range of topics of interest to seniors.

While the absence of snow on-the ground made for easier driving to the party, it certainly didn't have any effect on the festive atmosphere within the building.



Kathleen Winget, one of the many raffle winners at the Lennoxville Community Aid Christmas Party.



Each year, one lucky person goes home with a teddy bear, and this year the holder of the winning ticket was Kay Hartwell.



Sylvie Fowles, director of the Lennoxville Community Aid, kept the activities of the afternoon in full swing.

We Need Your Help This Holiday!

Cheques should be made payable to ETSB - Gift Basket Campaign. Mail to: AGRHS P.O. Box 5002 Lennoxville, QC J1M 1Z9 Receipts will be issued.



Let's make sure the food pantry is really stuffed this holiday season!

We want to collect canned goods for Alexander Galt Christmas Basket Campaign - and we need your help.

Just bring your donation of canned food (please, no fresh or frozen products) to these participating sponsors.

All food is needed at this time of year to help less fortunate families - that's why we need a ton of help to collect a ton of food.

Do a little extra shopping. Ask friends, neighbours and family to help.

Please bring your food items to any sponsor before December 14th.

Gifts for children are also needed, if wrapped please indicate boy/girl, age group.

The baskets will benefit families within the Eastern Townships School Board.

Helping others is a great way to celebrate the holiday!

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Our School's Page

AYER'S CLIFF ELEMENTARY

Four math wizards of ACES competed at the BCS Math Competition, including Charles Benoit, Elena Corbeit, Dominic Jansen and Daniel Porter competed. In the end, they placed third out of 29 schools. Thank you to Carol Porter their coach and mentor!

COSOM HOCKEY

Four schools participated including Ayer's Cliff, North Hatley, Sunnyside and Princess Elizabeth. The Ayer's Cliff boys won the trophy.

SWIM-A-THON

On Saturday, Dec. 1, 87 students and parents participated in our annual swim-a-thon at the pool in Coaticook from 12:30-4:30 p.m. Our goal was to raise funds for upcoming school trips.

We would like to thank the swimmers, organizers, lap counters, lifeguards, sponsors and all the parents who made muffins for the swimmers. This has become a fun-filled family event on our school calendar.

SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Two representatives from each class

were selected at the beginning of the year to participate in a school environment committee which discussed items of concern to their classes.

The students made posters, highlighting issues that they could work on to make ACES a better place. Sample posters included themes like pollution, noise in the cafeteria, playing by the rules, no fighting, patience with younger students and respect.

Mrs. Springate's Grade 4 class put on a play on the theme of pollution for the school on Friday, Dec. 7. Thanks for all the hard work in making us aware of these problems.

Liselyn Adams and Craig Morrison presented a song-writing workshop on blues music. The students composed and sang their own verses of the blues.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Again this year, the response to our Operation Christmas Child project from parents and students at ACES has been phenomenal. Eager students enjoyed helping their parents shop for essentials, toys, hard candy and other items to fill up their boxes. Ninety-three boxes were



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filled and brought to school, nicely wrapped for Christmas.

Some families chose to send in items to help fill shoeboxes at school. Others chose to send money so that necessary items could be purchased to add to the items that were sent in. With the \$45 that was donated to help us complete the boxes, and the abundance of items that was sent in, we were able to fill 18 shoeboxes at school, a whopping 111 shoeboxes in total!

A special thank you to the many parents who volunteered their time to check the boxes to make sure that they had the essential items and the \$5 for shipping. These parents also wrapped boxes for the items that were sent in and

items purchased for the shoeboxes.

Thanks to the generosity of parents, grandparents, and teachers, the cost of shipping and handling (\$5 per box), was realized.

Our boxes will be shipped, along with other boxes prepared in Canada, to needy children in Africa, South America, Asia, and Central America.

We hope that doing this project with our students has made them more aware of children in very different circumstances. Hopefully, they will begin to realize how blessed we are in our beautiful country.

A big thank you to all parents and students who worked so hard to make this Christmas special for so many children.



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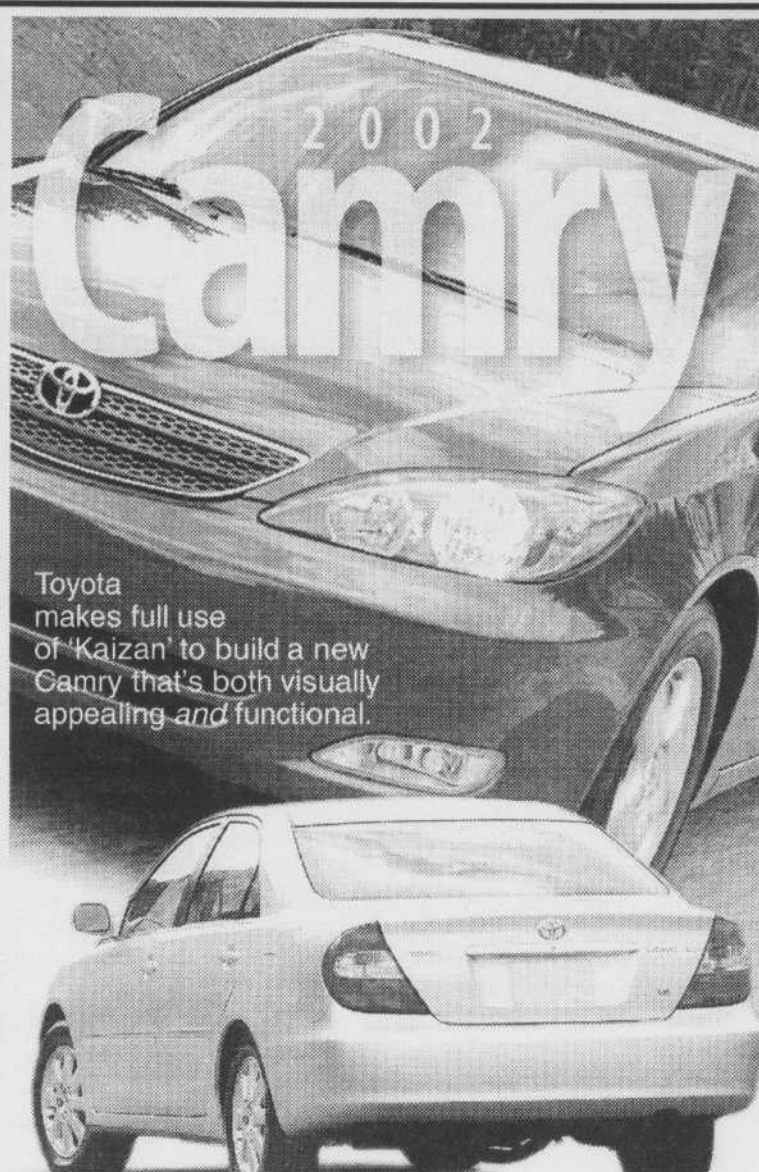
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Toyota makes full use of 'Kaizan' to build a new Camry that's both visually appealing and functional.

By RHONDA WHEELER
WHEELBASE COMMUNICATIONS

You've just gotta give Toyota credit for its constant desire to improve. 'Kaizan' is the Japanese word for it.

And, as improved as the new fifth-generation Camry is, the question will remain: did Toyota inject enough 'Kaizan' to overcome the car's decidedly conservative image?

That remains to be seen, but the fresh-looking 2002 version certainly appears to be more exciting on the outside. And that can only be a good thing, considering some of the pointed comments the last-generation car received: 'A car few will lust for...but everyone will recommend.'

Being conservative has never been a problem for Toyota. The company has enjoyed Camry's firm grasp on the market as the Number 1 family car in North America for the past four years, simply because this bread-and-butter family sedan is the essence of reliability... function before form.

However, it's obvious Toyota doesn't subscribe to the simple philosophy: don't fix what isn't broken, or in this case what's selling well. Well, indeed. When

have you found yourself at a stop light and not noticed a Camry somewhere around you?

Why the change, then? Intent not to rest on its large marketshare laurels, Toyota wanted the 2002 Camry to shift gears from sensible to sensual. I'll get into the aesthetics in a minute, but let's first talk about Camry's prime mission: function.

Available as an LE, XLE or the new-for-'02 SE — a beefed-up sport model — the Camry has been totally redesigned on an all-new platform, the same one used in its much more posh sibling, the Lexus ES 300.

Basically, Toyota has improved on what was already a good thing.

Six footers will enjoy the additional space in the '02 model, which grows five centimetres of wheelbase over its predecessor. The cabin has been completely overhauled, sacrificing a bit of legroom, but raising the hip point for improved ingress and egress.

The standard engine is an all new 2.4-litre inline four-cylinder engine with continuously variable valve timing (VVT-i). Related to the base engine in the Highlander, the DOHC 16-valver with 9.6:1 compression produces 157 horsepower, which is 15 per cent more than the previous four-cylinder Camry. Buyers who opt for the four-cylinder LEs and SEs can order a five-speed manual transmission, or stick with a four-speed automatic.

Preliminary performance numbers show a zero-to-100 km-h time improved from 11.2 seconds to 9.9 for the automatic transmission; 8.7 down to 8.3 for the manual.

The optional 3.0-litre V6, with the same low-emissions rating as the I4 shows little change in power: 192 horsepower and 209 lb.-ft. of torque.

Toyota has also maintained or upgraded the safety features on which it has built its reputation. Evidence: structural improvements, such as enhancing the existing crush-zone design, pillar reinforcements, side impact protection beams, floor cross members which disperse energy from a side impact, and a new front sub frame designed to help reduce the potential for cabin deformation in a collision. Add to that whiplash-injury-lessening seats, front air bags that deploy at various 'strengths' (as determined by seat position), and optional driver and front-passenger seat-mounted side-impact airbags and a new side curtain airbag system.

So far, Toyota receives an A. It's safe and dependable, but is it a head turner?

At first blush, the manufacturer has jazzed up its big seller, making it more sophisticated and more appealing to the eye by adding a few purely cosmetic touches, such as redesigned headlights fashioned to resemble wrap around sunglasses, and a newly shaped rear.

From bumper to bumper, the SEs visual impact kicks up the manufacturer's profile a notch with a unique headlamp, grille and fog lamp combo and chrome-tipped exhaust, leather-wrapped steering wheel and brushed-chrome interior. Larger tires, sport tuned suspension and stronger stabilizer bars provide more controlled steering and more precise handling.

Overall, the most attractive feature for a cash-strapped younger demographic is the price. Both the LE and the more luxurious XLE, are stocked with thousands of dollars of normally extra-cost upgrades — a feat made possible by decreasing engineering and development costs.

Does the Camry earn an overall high grade? Toyota has taken a step, albeit a conservative one, in the direction of adopting and growing with a younger generation — one whose parents would approve. And while it might not be breaking any new ground in any given area, Camry does manage to straddle the fine line between bringing in new customers and keeping its current faithful happy. For this, it earns praise and an even bigger following.

SPEC SHEET

2002 Toyota Camry

- ★ Front-wheel-drive, four-door sedan available in LE, XLE and sporty SE variants.
- ★ Revised 2.4-litre DOHC four-cylinder engine generates 157 horsepower, while the 3.0-litre V6 ups the stakes to 192.
- ★ Five-speed manual transmission (except V6 Camrys), or optional four-speed automatic available.
- ★ New shape provides improved visual appeal while staying true to the Camry's dependable, value-oriented reputation.
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"There are two possible interpretations. If you read the second sentence, which says: 'However, no notice shall'... it could mean that you are right."

The employee goes on to apologize for what happened, adding he was unable to give Astbury a copy of the letter

that informed clients of the changes.

"I conducted some research in our system to find the letter you wanted so I could send it to you, but it wasn't possible to print it," the representative said.

Galarneau said every Videotron customer has received a copy of the 30-day service change notice, adding he doubts any client was omitted.

"The letter was included in the bill," he said. "Every subscriber who received

a bill got a letter."

Yet, when faxed a copy of the letters to Coaticook and Fleurimont residents to The Record, both were dated Nov. 14 and Nov. 16 respectively, which amounts to an 18 and 16-day notice.

Meanwhile, Astbury said she still received a copy of the 30-day notice, as outlined in her contract, and is unsatisfied that she's losing the options included with the Videoway package.

Galarneau said Astbury is right when she says she won't be able to enjoy the additional options that come with Videoway, that includes video games, if she switches to Illico.

"But she will have Internet access (with Illico)," he said. "Eventually the terminal will allow her to play games. It will also have new and better features."

Astbury said she's upset employees suggested she acquire the new Illico digital system, which merges the Internet and TV, to replace her black Videoway box.

"It's going to cost me more in the end," she noted. "How many more boxes do I want to pile on my television in the end? If I were to take everything I want (from the Illico service), it would cost me approximately \$52 plus the tax, but I still would not have my Videoway games. Right now, it costs me \$43.15, taxes included."

She added that cutting off her Videoway privileges right before Christmas is equal to catching customers off-guard and putting them in a position where they will more likely purchase the new Illico service.

Galarneau noted Illico offers a 30 per cent better image and excellent Internet access. More than 120,000 Videotron customers have already subscribed to the service.

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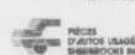
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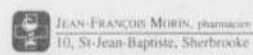
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SQ arrests suspected teen molestor

Staff
SHERBROOKE

A 44-year-old Sherbrooke man is accused of molesting two 14-year-old teenagers in northern Quebec.

Luc Cantin, a game warden, was arrested on a warrant at his home at 8 a.m. Wednesday. Investigators from Baie-Comeau's Sûreté du Québec detachment collaborated with Estrie SQ officers in the operation that eventually led to the arrest.

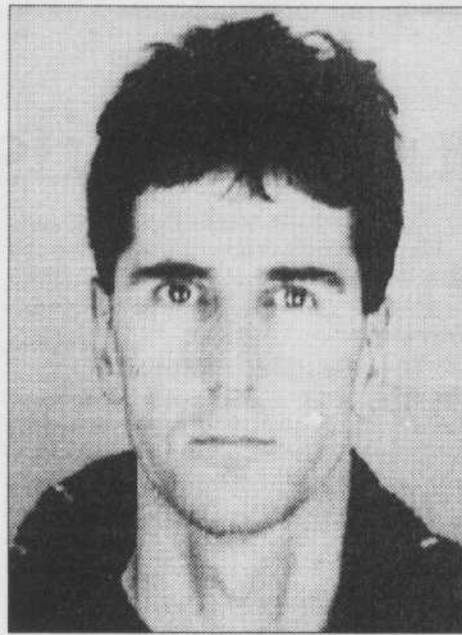
"He faces 14 charges," said SQ spokesman Serge Dubord. "Among them are two counts of sexual as-

sault, two counts of sexual touching, two counts of inciting sexual touching, two counts of indecent behaviour, three counts of possessing narcotics and three counts of trafficking."

Police said it appears Cantin met his victims while riding an all-terrain vehicle along a beach.

"It seems he gave them drugs and that there were touching and photography sessions," said Dubor, adding that Cantin has no criminal record.

He was released, and should appear in court in Baie-Comeau on Feb. 4, 2002.



COURTESY SQ

Luc Cantin, 44, is charged with sexually assaulting two 14-year-old boys.

BRIEF

Townshippers presents Christmas reading

Staff

The Townshippers' Association, in co-operation with CBC Radio and the Richmond/Melbourne United Church, hosts a reading of A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens on Dec. 14, at the Richmond/Melbourne United Church, 247 Principale S., at 7:30 p.m.

Guest readers include Ron Lavallee, Jane Mallory, Steve Rutherford, Carolyn Genge and Tim Belford.

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Anti-terror bill sails through the Senate

By Janice Tibbets
SOUTHAM NEWS

The federal government's anti-terror bill - giving police and politicians expansive new powers - has sailed through the Senate and is expected to become the law of the land

by the end of the week.

Despite complaints that the legislation would spark racial hatred, allow government to keep crucial information secret and curtail civil liberties, the Liberal-dominated upper chamber has approved the bill as recommended by a special Senate committee.

The committee, over the protests of Tory senators, rejected amendments to the controversial legislation in a report that was adopted late Monday by the entire chamber.

All that remains is a final vote. But it is expected to be a mere formality with the Liberals using their heavy Senate majority to push the legislation through as

early as today, even though it does not contain many of the recommendations the upper chamber unanimously endorsed in a pre-study report last month.

The Senate has been under intense pressure from Justice Minister Anne McLellan to swiftly pass the 171-page bill, crafted in response to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in the U.S.

As ceremonies were held around the world Tuesday to mark the three-month anniversary of the attacks, the Senate embarked on a muted debate dominated by Government Leader Sharon Carstairs' assertions that the legislation is a compromise between protecting both the public and freedom.

"I think the government has got it right," declared Carstairs, insisting that the courts will ensure that enhanced police and government powers are not abused.

Several skeptical Tories, however, were mystified about how the Senate could endorse a bill that rejects key recommendations the upper chamber unanimously approved in its earlier

report.

"It doesn't pass the test," warned Senator Raynell Andreychuk.

Among other things, McLellan has rejected the Senate's call to repeal the bill after five years, except for two sections involving United Nations conventions signed by Canada.

Instead, she has agreed to amend her initial bill to add a so-called "sunset clause" to the two most controversial components, which give police the power to conduct preventive arrests on suspicion someone is about to carry out a terrorist act and force them to appear before a judge to testify.

McLellan also dismissed the Senate's recommendation that there be an annual review, carried out by an independent officer of Parliament, similar to the auditor general.

Rather, the Justice Department and each provincial government will be carrying out their own annual assessments.

The Senate committee, through a week of hearings that ended last Thursday, heard from at least a dozen witnesses who complained that the government was sacrificing individual rights in its panic to pass the bill.

Muslims and Arabs said their communities would be unfairly targeted by police.

Information Commission John Reid cautioned that the amended bill was worse than the original and would block access to information about the government.

And the Canadian Bar Association and civil libertarians asserted that an expanded sunset clause is needed to ensure that the loss of personal freedoms would be temporary instead of permanent.

The easy ride the bill has had in the Senate starkly contrasts with Britain, where the House of Lords last week rejected key pieces of the Labour government's proposed legislation, including measures giving police unprecedented access to personal information and allowing them to detain terrorism suspects indefinitely without giving them a trial.



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Sherbrooke almost ready for 2002 junior baseball championships

International federation boss visits local tournament sites

By Nelson Afonso
SHERBROOKE

Organizers of the 2002 world junior baseball championships to be held in Sherbrooke and Coaticook have done a good job preparing to host the international event so far.

That was the message delivered by International Baseball Federation (IBAF) executive director Miquel Ortin in Sherbrooke Wednesday.

"I'm very happy with what I've seen," said a smiling Ortin on the last day of his visit to the area. "I think only a few changes will be necessary to be ready."

Amédée-Roy Stadium in Sherbrooke and Julien-Morin Stadium in Coaticook will host Canada's junior national team and 11 other top international teams from Aug. 1 to Aug. 11 2002.

Besides Canada, the host nation, three teams will represent the Americas, three will come from Europe, three from Asia, one from Africa and one from Australia.

Ortin has been in the area for a few days inspecting both stadiums and the University of Sherbrooke residences where the players from five continents will be housed.

A local bus company will bring players to the practice and game sites. The athletes will eat breakfast at the university with the other two meals being served at the CEGEP de Sherbrooke.

"The only problems I saw were very minor," added Ortin. "For example, there is a hill in left field at the stadium here (Amédée-Roy Stadium) that we must do something about."

Ortin also pointed to a deteriorating fence at Julien-Morin Stadium that must be replaced.

Organizing committee vice-president Bob Martimbeault said the identity of 10 of the 12 teams is known, but



NELSON AFONSO

International Baseball Federation executive director Miquel Ortin is pleased that the sites in Sherbrooke and Coaticook for the 2002 World junior baseball championships are almost ready.

that the last two qualifiers, a team from Asia and one from Europe, will be known by February.

Presided by Don Warnholtz, the organizing committee kicked off 18 months of preparations in February at a press conference at Sherbrooke City Hall. The championship game is on Aug. 11, 2002.

"The organizing committee is very enthusiastic and excited about this event," said Ortin, who was also impressed with the reaction he got from area residents he met. "We don't regret the choice of Sherbrooke for a second."

In the past, Canada has done well in tournaments held in Canada. Canada has won the bronze medal three times, including 1997 in Moncton, N.B., 1987 in Windsor, Ont. and 1983 in Johnston, Pa.

In 1991, Canada won its only gold medal at the World junior championships in Brandon, Man.

Baseball Canada has hosted eight of the 16 World Junior Championships, and the 2002 Games will mark the second time that Quebec will be the host site. Trois-Rivières hosted the Games in 1989.

Ortin will be back in Sherbrooke in mid-June to verify that his recommendations have been followed.

Asked if the events of Sept. 11 had put the event in jeopardy, Ortin told The Record that postponing or canceling the event was never considered because his organization sees sport as a way of making things normal again.

"Life needs to be normal again," he concluded. "And sport is something that is normal in the lives of people."

No decision on Allen replacement

Jan. 1, 2002 will mark the beginning of another year, a time when we make promises we can't possibly keep, feel sorrow about the missed opportunities of the passing year and finally there is hope that the New Year will bring better times.

FROM THE
BLEACHERS

MIKE
HICKEY

Jan. 1, 2002 was also supposed to be the dawn of a new era for the Bishop's University Athletic Department, the

day that Tom Allen's successor would officially start their new job as the school's athletic director.

The new era has been put on hold because the six-person search committee has failed to reach consensus on a candidate and has decided to continue its important work into the New Year.

While the committee has narrowed a field of more than 50 applicants to five, it is not rushing to make a decision that will have a tremendous impact on both the department and the school itself for years to come.

The committee is presently in the process of arranging second interviews in January.

Bishop's has been blessed, not only with quality people, but also with continuity at the athletic director position.

Bruce Coulter held the job for 30 years, and during his tenure the school's football program gained national prominence, the women's basketball team won two national titles under Wayne Hussey's tutelage, the John Price Centre was built and the seeds for a revival of the men's basketball squad were planted.

Coulter stepped down in 1991 and was replaced by former Gaiter football player and administrator Tom Allen. It was with Allen at the helm that the men's basketball team won a National Championship, and the Royal Bank Wall of Distinction was started.

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SPORTS NOTEBOOK

Coach suspended for racial remarks

Nuggets coach Dan Issel made an insensitive ethnic remark and used profanity toward the fan as he walked off the court following a 99-96 loss to Charlotte on Tuesday night. The exchange was caught on videotape by KUSA-TV and Issel has been canceled for four games.

At a news conference, a visibly upset Issel apologized for the remarks, calling them an "uncaring and un-Christian-like comment."

He then abruptly stood and left the news conference after choking up.

The fan reportedly shouted at Issel as the coach left the court after the loss to Charlotte. Nuggets point guard Nick Van Exel tried to steer Issel away from the confrontation, but Issel stopped and shouted at the fan before he was hustled into the arena tunnel by assistant coach Mike Evans.

Calgary Flames legend returns

Lanny McDonald, one of the most popular players in franchise history, is returning to the Calgary Flames in a front office capacity.

McDonald quit a front office job with the team last summer. He was vice president of corporate relations. Although his new job has not been clarified, there is a possibility that McDonald may be helping with hockey operations this time around.

Last season he was hired to act as general manager for Team Canada at the World Championships. He will be returning in that capacity for the 2002 Worlds.

Wayne Gretzky has also noted that he would be seeking McDonald's advice while selecting Canada's Olympic entry.

But Calgary remains in McDonald's heart. One of the team's all-time great players, McDonald scored 500 career goals and led the Flames to a Stanley Cup championship in 1989.

He was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in 1992.

On TV

THURSDAY

GOLF: 4 p.m., Williams World Challenge, first round, TSN, RDS.

HOCKEY: 7 p.m., Montreal Canadiens at Philadelphia Flyers, RDS.

Around Town

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UPCOMING

ETIAC GIRLS BASKETBALL: Thursday, 4 p.m., Massey-Vanier at Junior Pipers; Friday, 4 p.m., Bantam Galt at Richmond; Friday, 4:30 p.m., Massey-Vanier at Senior Galt; Saturday, 10 a.m., Mont Notre Dame at Junior Galt.

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ETIAC HOCKEY: Friday, 3:15 p.m. Massey-Vanier at Galt.

Buffalo struggles without the Dominator as it faces Leafs

By George Dickie
TVDATA FEATURES SYNDICATE

On Saturday, Dec. 22, CBC Television's Hockey Night in Canada begins with a matchup of two neighbours, as the Buffalo Sabres, who have struggled this season in the wake of standout goalie Dominik Hasek's defection to Detroit, head north to Toronto to take on the mighty Maple Leafs, who have a balanced scoring attack led by Mats Sundin and Darcy Tucker.

In the late game, the second-year Minnesota Wild face the Vancouver Canucks in a contest between the bottom feeders of the Northwest Division.

The World Curling Tour comes to Wainwright, Alta., this week in the form of the Canadian Open, the first of four Grand Slam events on the 2001-02 schedule.

CURLING

The tournament, which carries a \$100,000 purse, has a 24-team triple-knockout format played under the four rock free guard zone rule - a first for a major Canadian curling series and a ruling well-received by fans and players. Rogers Sportsnet covers the semifinals and finals from the Wainwright Communiplex on Sunday, Dec. 16.

FIGURE SKATING

The International Skating Union's Grand Prix Cup of Russia brings top figure skaters from around the world to the Ice Palace in St. Petersburg. Competitions are in short program

(men's, women's and pairs), free skate (women's and pairs), and original, compulsory and free dance.

Among those scheduled to participate are Canadians Valerie Marcoux, Bruno Marcotte, Jennifer Robinson and Jason Denomme, Russians Irina Slutskaya, Elena Sokolova, Evgeni Plushenko and Ilia Klimkin, Americans Jennifer Kirk, Matthew Savoie and Angela Nikodimov, Stefan Lindemann of Germany, Yunfei Li of China, and Yosuke Takeuchi of Japan. It airs Saturday on Sportsnet.

BOXING

Sunday, TSN airs the previous night's bout between defending WBA heavy-weight champion John Ruiz (37-4-0, 10 KOs) and former undisputed champ Evander Holyfield (37-5-1, 12 KOs). This is the third meeting of these two fighters. The first happened last year, when Holyfield defeated Ruiz on points. Then in March, Ruiz won his title back with a 12-round decision.

NBA

Michael Jordan's comeback with the Washington Wizards was intended to turn an inexperienced group of players into playoff contenders, but that hasn't happened yet. Jordan and teammates come to Toronto Sunday to face the Raptors on CTV. Vince Carter, Hakeem Olajuwon and company also make a Wednesday, Dec. 19, appearance on TSN, when they head to Indiana for a night contest against Reggie Miller, Jalen Rose and the Pacers.



Tough challenges ahead for BU

ALLEN:

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As well, the Gaiters Classic Golf tournament grew in stature. The department's fundraising efforts intensified and scholarships for student-athletes became a priority.

The Coulter and Allen eras were not without their problems, however, as Bishop's looked for innovative ways to fund their programs and raise scholarship dollars for worthy student-athletes. Difficult decisions had to be made by both men, as one of the smallest schools in Canada tried to remain competitive with the rest of the country.

Coulter dropped the hockey program in the 1970s, and Allen canned men's soccer in the 1990s in an effort to revitalize the women's soccer program. Whoever replaces Allen will also make some tough decisions over the coming years.

The Gaiters have had unparalleled success for a small school, but are facing more and more competition in their quest to recruit qual-

ity student-athletes. The competition comes not only from rivals in Quebec and Canada, but from the U.S. as well.

The need to recruit nationally, and the means to do so, are necessary if Bishop's teams want to remain in the national spotlight.

However, Bishop's athletics is more than just intercollegiate teams, and the new athletic director, whomever that may be, must be prepared to provide the proper support to both the intramural and recreation areas. The intramural program and athletic facilities are a key part of student life, particularly at a school where nearly 75 per cent of the students are away from home.

The recreation program is also a vital component that helps raise money for the department, as well as build a bridge to the local community.

It is a smart move for the committee to take as much time as possible and to feel good about this selection. The school and department face new challenges in the 21st Century, and they need the best possible people at the top.

People like Bruce Coulter and Tom Allen.

Minutes of the Sherbrooke Hospital Nurses' Alumnae

It was a beautiful fall evening, Friday, October 12th, when fifty-five graduates of The Sherbrooke Hospital School for Nurses assembled at the Old Lennoxville Golf Club for the alumnae's annual Fall Buffet Supper.

The interior decorations mirrored the exterior foliage with colorful flowers, Hallowe'en items and shimmering candles in tiny glass globes. The head table was decorated with a bouquet of bronze chrysanthemums and gold tapered candles. Seated at this table were the graduates of 1941, Eula Raycraft Cathcart, Dorothy MacAulay Taylor, Audrey Hodgman Griffin, Ruth Burroughs Lavallee and other senior graduates.

Two graduates Joyce Peasley McLeod and Lorna Lundeberg McElrea were celebrating their fiftieth anniversary, as well as eight members of the class of 1961. They were Marion Davis Wells, Rita Cummings Goodfellow, Barbara Groenwald Weingartner, Judy Reynolds Cassidy, Jewell McComb Loukes, Ruth Walker Stewart, Patricia Lawrence Kovic, and Hazel Goodfellow Farnham. Corsages of baby's breath and delicate alstromeria were presented to our senior graduates.

After an hour of socializing, our president Mrs. Heather Bowman began by welcoming the group and read the names of all those present, amidst en-

thusiastic applause. It was noted that the most senior graduate present was Mrs. Marjorie Turner Ross, class of '35 and our colleague who had traveled from the furthest point was Mrs. Weingartner who had flown from Switzerland. A moment of silence followed, as Mrs. Audrey Frost said the Grace, remembering those who were no longer with us and those who had suffered and died during the Sept. 11th crisis, in New York city.

Everyone then proceeded to enjoy the tasty beef buffet, which had been prepared by our caterer Mr. Bob Ditchburn and his assistant.

After the supper, a happy evening

was spent in picture taking and renewing old acquaintances. The floral bouquet was taken to our colleague Mrs. Marion Lake Nugent by her sister Mrs. Lucy Lake Blair.

Our sincere thanks to all the members who worked to make this evening so successful. Mrs. Lynne Beattie and Mrs. Donna Smith, our social convenors, Mrs. Carol Hobbs and Mrs. Doris Gordon, who took the reservations, and Mrs. Audrey Frost, our photographer.

The next meeting, our annual meeting, will be held in February 2002. Details of this meeting will be published, in The Record, early in February.

Joanna Smith, secretary



50th anniversary
Class of 1951
Left to right: Joyce Peasley McLeod and Lorna Lundeberg McElrea.



60th anniversary
Left to right: Back row: Eula Raycraft Cathcart, Dorothy MacAulay Taylor. Front row: Audrey Hodgman Griffin, Ruth Burroughs Lavallee.



Class of 1961
Left to right: Back row: Marion Davis Wells, Rita Cummings Goodfellow, Barbara Groenewold Weingartner, Judy Reynolds Cassidy, Jewell McComb Loukes. Front row: Ruth Walker Stewart, Patricia Lawrence Kovic, Hazel Goodfellow Farnham.



Class of 1946: Left to right: Back row: Hazel Fish Morrison, Lorna Howlett LeBrun, Thelma Gratham.
Class of 1945: Front row: Dorothy Stevenson Bown, Doris Carroll Gordon.



Oldest graduate at banquet. Marjorie Turner Ross, class of 1935.



Class of 1965
Left to right: Back: Susan Fisher Black, Elaine Lavalliere Bromby, Elaine Latulippe Erlandson. Front: Judy Cathcart Ross, Doreen Birch Asbil.



Left to right: Ellean Johnson Palmer class of '44, Aileen Pitman Lord class of '38, Molly Havard Fox class of '40.

Wales Home news for November

So now, November, with its ever shortening days is at an end. There has been a fall or two of snow during the month but only enough to keep the grass green, and entice quite a large flock of Canada Geese to spend a couple of weeks on the banks of the pond, to the delight of the residents.

The month began with a visit from Nicolyn Clothing, so we could stock up on a new wardrobe for Christmas, and a bake sale, put on by Darlene and friends, to help the Grade 6 students at St. Francis. The proceeds from the sale were sent to orphans from Afganistan. The sale netted over \$100.00 and the residents enjoyed some special treats.

Brendalee kept us busy with such regular activities as breakfast and bowling on Monday mornings, bingo, exercises one afternoon of assorted games and one afternoon of reading on Norton 1. Then somehow, towards the end of the month she, and the rest of the staff managed to get a head start on Christmas Decorating. Already one end of the living room is sporting a choir, choir mistress, organ player and stained glass windows. We are waiting patiently to see how the railroad develops over behind the piano, and enjoying those extra bits of sparkle everywhere, that helps brighten those ever shortening days.

November 11th was celebrated with the Traditional Armistice Service brought to us by the Richmond Legion. Residents turned out in great order. Possibly the events of September 11th made the service more meaningful this year. Rev. Ruth Matthews led the prayers and Grace Johnston read In Flander's Field.

Friday Teas during the month were supplied by Lennoxville Unit #5, The Group from Danville Advent Church (who brought a piano player and also had a sing-song) Ladies from Ulverton, Fran Dewar and friends and ladies from St. Andrew's Church, Upper Melbourne. Thank you folks. We always enjoy your visits.

Fourteen residents celebrated their birthdays during November. Each event was marked by a cup-cake delivered by

Ray or Lil McMorine on the special day and a party on the 4th floor on the 21st brought to the all the celebrants by the Ladies from Richmond Young Women's Institute. Thank you also ladies you throw a great party.

Twice during the month we had special musical entertainment. Roger Tetrault and Bruce Patton from Sherbrooke came on the 7th to play and sing music from the 60's and 70's for our enjoyment and on the 24th Philip Matlen came from Montreal. Philip introduced each piece of music as he played and sang it for us. They made for a couple of pleasant afternoons.

On the 15th, Janna Kendall demonstrated painting. The variety of talent that crosses our door step keeps us full of admiration. Janna paints with acrylics. She had boxes of cards and one special picture that she was working on.

The 22nd was a busy day. A group of twelve motored to Sherbrooke for Christmas Shopping at the Carrefour and lunch at the new St. Hubert. They enjoyed their day getting home around 3:30 p.m. tired but happy.

Margaret Carroll spent the month of November here following a time in the hospital. She has now recovered and returned to her home in Melbourne.

Gladys Woods, Doris Atkinson, Beatrice Hay, Margaret Blake and Marjorie Moffat have all taken up residence among us. While Anne Stein has moved in for the winter. Hearty Welcome to each and every one of you.

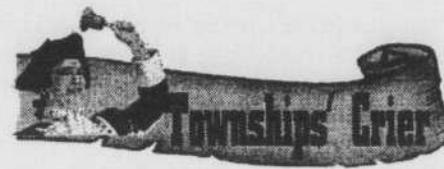
Special congratuations to Chuck Nixon, on becoming a new grandfather, Hannah Elizabeth will make him proud.

Gordon Patterson has moved to another residence.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the families of Rachel Husk and Arnold Jolley who passed away during the month of November.

So now, November is over. We are looking forward to Christmas Decorating, the end of the shortening days, Christmas Parties, New Years, and would you believe it: the first hint of spring.

Alleda Nixon



WATERVILLE, HATLEY, NORTH HATLEY
Waterville, Hatley, North Hatley Pastoral Charge Sunday Worship Services on December 16: North Hatley 9:30 a.m., Waterville 11 a.m., Hatley 11 a.m.

RICHMOND

Richmond Melbourne Pastoral Charge (Melbourne Ridge and Richmond) will be holding two Sunday School Concerts on December 16. Melbourne Ridge congregation will celebrate the Christmas Story at Noon. All are welcome to join us for a fun and worshipful time! The Richmond congregation will hold its Sunday School Concert at 4:30 p.m., followed by a pot-luck. All are welcome.

MOE'S RIVER

The annual Christmas Service in the Moe's River Church will be held on Sunday, December 16 at 7:30 p.m. under the leadership of Justin Lowry. All are cordially invited to join us for this nostalgic tradition.

LENNOXVILLE

The Lennoxville Youth Centre will be hosting a Rummage / Craft / Bake Sale on December 15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Anyone interested in renting a table for their craft items, can call the Youth Centre at (819) 821-4805 or drop by at 168B Queen Street.

WARDEN

Christmas 500 card party on Wednesday, December 19 at 7:45 p.m. Sponsored by Victoria Rebekah Lodge #19. Lunch and prizes. All welcome.

NORTH HATLEY

Christmas Candlelight Carol Service and Reception at 4 p.m. (no morning service) at St. Barnabas Church, North Hatley on Sunday, December 16.

LENNOXVILLE

Ham and Turkey Bingo at the A.N.A.F. Unit 318 "Hut", 300 St. Francis Street, Lennoxville on Wednesday, December 19 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome.

COOKSHIRE/BURY

December 16: Due to St. Peter's Church furnace breakdown, "Love Came Down at Christmas" Pageant will now be performed at St. Paul's Church, Bury on Sunday at 2 p.m. Also, Thursday, December 20, traditional Christmas Carols and Lessons at St. Paul's Church, Bury at 7 p.m.

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This column accepts items announcing events organized by churches, service clubs and recognized charitable institutions for a \$6.00 fee, \$9.00 for 2 insertions of same notice, \$12.00 for 3 publications. Maximum 35 words. If you have more than 35 words the charge will be \$10.00 per insertion. Requests should be mailed, well in advance, to The Record, P.O. Box 1200, Sherbrooke, Quebec, J1H 5L6, be signed and include a telephone number and payment. Telephone requests will not be accepted. Admission charges and trade names will be deleted. No dances.

In Memoriam



MACKLE, Kevin Patrick: May 31, 1979 - December 13, 1998. In loving memory of our dear son and brother who died while at University December 13, 1998. His gift to us was his kindness and good will towards others. A Memorial Mass will be read on December 19 at St. Antoine's Church.

Forever loved and missed by
MOM, DAD,
MAUREEN & FAMILY

When Jesus Spoke

When Jesus spoke
The birds hushed singing.
When Jesus spoke
His voice was sweet.
The multitudes
Came out to hear Him.
They gathered around
His precious feet.

When Jesus spoke
His words were simple,
When Jesus spoke
His voice was clear.
He brought a message
From the Father,
That all the world
One day would hear.

When Jesus spoke
He calmed the waters,
When Jesus spoke
The blind could see.
Hearing His voice
In faith believing,
The sick were healed
And souls set free.

Chorus

When Jesus spoke
It was in mercy,
When Jesus spoke
It was in love.
His voice still calls
Down through the ages,
To lead some soul
To that home above.

Words and Music
Russ Coates

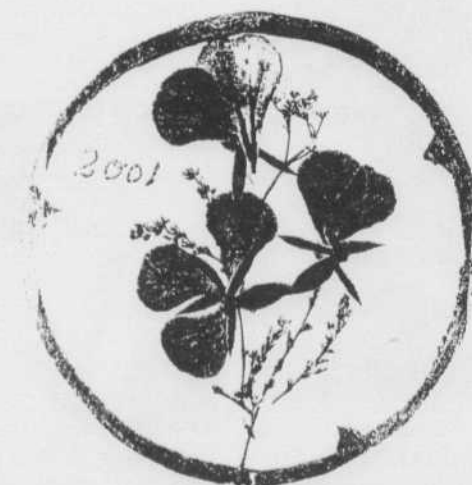
International Year of the Volunteer

The Volunteers of the Meals on Wheels Program at Lennoxville and District Community Aid in honor of the International Year of the Volunteer.

Jane Moret (Publicity)

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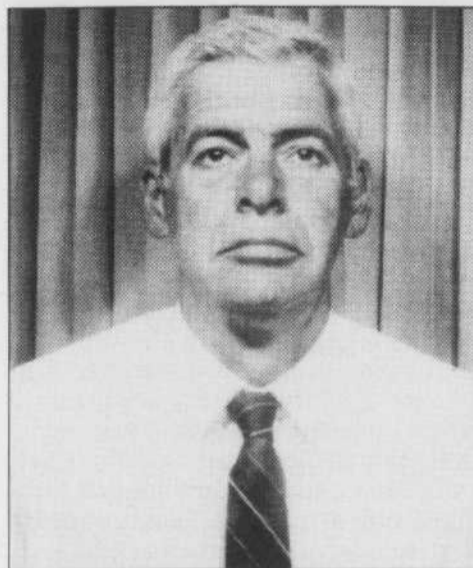
Here's to the volunteers
Who perform a special service
With such goodwill and cheer
Neither the heat of summer
Nor the cold of winter
Nor barking dogs
Nor too many stairs
Are of any concern
To these dedicated people.
God bless them all!



E.J. Year of the Volunteer

Deaths

ALDEN, Howard Holbrook - Suddenly at the London University Hospital, London, Ontario, after a short illness. He leaves to mourn, his wife, Mary (Tiner) Alden, and two sons, Steven (Carrie) and family, Bradley (Kim) and family, also his sister Mabel (Alden) Mackay, Douglas and family, also sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews, cousins and friends. Howard will be greatly missed by all.



BUCKLAND, John (Jack) - On Monday, December 10, 2001 at the Youville Pavillion of the Sherbrooke Geriatric University Institute. John (Jack) Buckland of Sherbrooke, at the age of 70 years. Son of the late Percy Buckland and the late Hazel French. He leaves to mourn his sister, Joyce (René Hébert), his niece and nephews; Ann (Michael Homer) and their son, Jacques (Vera Ménard) and their family, Richard, Michael and Philip, as well as other relatives and friends. Visitation on Thursday, December 13, 2001 from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., at the funeral home. Interment will be held at the Eaton Cemetery at a later date. The family would like to thank the staff of the Sherbrooke Geriatric University Institute, Youville Pavillion Unit 45, for all the good care given to Mr. Buckland. Donations may be sent to the Geriatric University Institute Foundation, Youville Pavillion, 1036 Belvédère St., South, Sherbrooke, Que., J1H 4C4, would be greatly appreciated. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Coopérative Funéraire de l'Estrie, 526 Prospect St., Sherbrooke, Que., Martial Thérioux, pres., tel.: 565-7647 fax: 565-7844.

Windsor Mrs. C. McCourt

Robert Dubuc of Bellwood, Ont., visited his mother, Mrs. Henry Dubuc, at the Wales Home and while here was a guest of his cousins, Benoit and Ellen Plante.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Watson were weekend guests of their son and daughter-in-law, Rick and Cindy Watson and sons in St. Albert, Ont. Cathy Watson and children Matt and Alissa joined them on Saturday to celebrate the 4th birthday of Bradley (Nov. 24) and Cathy's birthday, Nov. 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Michel Langlois, Daniel and Chantal Langlois of Peterborough, Ont., were weekend guests of their parents

Deaths

CAMERON, Bessie (nee Johnston) - At the Centre d'Accueil de Cowansville, Que., on Tuesday, December 9, 2001, Bessie Johnston in her 88th year. Dear mother of George (Huguette Nadeau), Lorraine (James Gray), David (Chris Sadovie) and Linda (Robert Moore). Cherished grandmother of 13 grandchildren and great-grandmother of 11 great-grandchildren. Survived by two sisters: Helen (Fred Ferris) and Emma (late Russel Hamilton), one brother-in-law, Edmond Cameron (Myrtle Moore) and one sister-in-law, Margaret Cameron (Max Seidnitz). Survived by numerous relatives and many friends. Visitation on Thursday, December 13 from 7 - 9 p.m., at The Denis Meunier Funeral Home & Chapel, 402 River St., Cowansville, Que., tel.: 266-6061, fax: 266-6057, e-mail: funerariumdm@qc.aira.com. Funeral service from the Eglise De La Vie Abondante, 910 Main St., Cowansville (Old Anglican Christ Church of Sweetsburg) on Friday, December 14th at 2:30 p.m., followed by interment in Congregationalist Cemetery of Granby on Cowie St. Note: Funeral home opening at 9:00 a.m., on day of the funeral.

CLOWERY, Merle (nee Chamberlain) - Peacefully at the C.H.H.M., Wednesday, December 12th, 2001 in her 87th year. Beloved wife of Arthur Clowery. Predeceased by her parents: Porter Chamberlain and Melissa Williamson, also by her brothers: Roland, Norman and Bernard. Cherished mother of Kendall (Peggy), Larry (Diane), Michael (Jeanne d'Arc) and Steven (Carole). Dear grandmother of Leigh, Todd, Lisa, Stephanie, Jennifer, Chantal, Shari and Karen. Loving great-grandmother of Mandy, Renee, Kaleigh, Christopher, Michael Joseph, Spencer, Christian, Karina, Brodie, Brooke, Isaiah, Amber, Dehli and Darren. Merle will also be sadly missed by her brother Hubert of Nova Scotia, nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends. There will be visitation at Cass Funeral Home, 545 Dufferin, Stanstead (819-876-5213) Friday, December 14th with cremated remains from 1 - 2 p.m. where family and friends may come to visit and where the service will be held at 2 p.m. Interment to follow in Crystal Lake Cemetery. As a tribute to her memory, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be greatly appreciated by the family. Cremation entrusted to Cass Funeral Home.

and grandparents, Guy and Noella Langlois.

Mr. and Mrs. Marc Marceau and John Williams of St. Ignace de Stanbridge joined other family members for dinner on Sunday, Nov. 25, at the home of Mrs. C. McCourt.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Paterson and family entertained the Paterson family at dinner on Sunday, Nov. 25, to celebrate the birthday of their mother, Winnie Paterson. Best wishes go out to Robert who recently broke his arm while working in the barn.

Deaths

ELAND, Mr. Edward Laws - Peacefully in his sleep, at the Brome Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital in Cowansville, Que., on Tuesday, December 11th, 2001, Mr. Edward L. Eland, only son of Fredrick J. Eland and Jessie Grant. Mr. Eland leaves to mourn his wife Margaret Taylor, his sons: Colin (Kathleen Madden), Ted (Diane Barabé) and Fredrick (Lene Christianson), his daughter: Margaret Elizabeth (Bill Kent), his 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, other relatives and many friends. As per his request, cremation will be followed by a private burial at a later date. Donations in his memory to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Quebec, P.O. Box 70, Granby, Que., J2G 8E2 will be acknowledged by the family.

GAYLOR, Douglas - Entered into rest at his residence in Belleville, Ontario on December 7, 2001 in his 66th year. Beloved husband of Joan (Miller). Dear father of Michael and his wife Joanne. Dearly loved by grandchildren Ceilidh, Abbie, Aubrey and Klynn. Brother William, and Lionel (Phyllis). Predeceased by Sylvia. Service was held at the Chapel of the Belleville Funeral Home. Donations may be sent to the Belleville General Hospital Foundation, Oncology Dept., P.O. Box 428, Belleville, Ont., K8N 5A9.

GUERIN, Joseph Marcel - Peacefully on Tuesday, December 11, 2001 at Brome Missisquoi Perkins Hospital, Cowansville, Que., in his 73rd year. Devoted companion of Gertrude (Trudy) Cornell and loving father of Paulette (Thomas Irvine), and Claire (Gilles Tétreault). Much loved grandfather of Jennifer Cook, Wanda Coulombe, Pierre-Luc LeBlanc, Alexandre and Maygan Tétrault and great-grandfather of Miranda Garz. Ex-service RCAF, past president Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 82, Philipsburg. A long time counsellor for the town of Bedford, Que., and many years of volunteer work in and around the community. Marcel was honoured by the town of Bedford as "Volunteer of the Year" in April, 2000. Visitation at Dion Funeral Home, 215 River St., Bedford, Que., on Friday, December 14, 2001 from 2 - 5 p.m., and 7 - 10 p.m. Funeral mass and Legion service in the presence of the ashes on Tuesday, December 18, 2001 at St. Damien Church, 26 de l'Église, Bedford, Que., at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to B.M.P. Hospital, Cowansville, Que., The Canadian Cancer Society or The Diabetes Foundation would be greatly appreciated.

Deaths

McCOY, Mr. Allan Wayne - Peacefully at the C.H.U.S. Hospital in Fleurimont, Que., at 49 years of age, Mr. Allan McCoy, loving son of the late Lorne St-Onge and Ruth-Anna McCoy. Left to mourn are his daughter Kristina, his brother and his sisters, other relatives and friends. Family and friends will be welcomed at the Desourdy Wilson Funeral Home, 4 Vale Perkins, Mansonville, Que., JOE 1X0, tel.: (450) 263-1212, fax: (450) 263-9557, dwilson@endirect.qc.ca on Saturday, December 15th from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Funeral service will be from the funeral home chapel at 11:00 a.m. Reverend Ryk Allen officiating. Burial of ashes will take place at Fairmount Cemetery in Sutton, Que. Donations in his memory to the Quebec Diabetes Ass., 5635 Sherbrooke East., Montreal, Que., H1N 1A2, would be appreciated. (Forms available at the funeral home)

PARSONS, Frances (nee McLean) - At her home in Lennoxville on Monday, December 10, 2001, Frances McLean Parsons, at the age of 86 years. Wife of the late Maurice Parsons. She leaves to mourn her children: Melvin (Micheline Côté) Delray Beach, Florida, Russell (Suzanne Bourelle), Pat (Claude St-Hilaire), Carol (Gaston Couture), Gordon (Sylvie Beaudette), her grandchildren; Gary Denault, Jason, Alex and Iann Parsons, as well as the late Danny and Kent Parsons, her great-grandson, Shawn Parsons, her sister Mrs. Helen Nuttall, her sister-in-law, Mildred Grime. She also leaves to mourn many nephews, nieces, other relatives and friends. In respect to Mrs. McLean's last wishes, there will be no visitation. The funeral service will be held on Saturday, December 15, 2001 at 1:00 p.m., at the St. Patrick Church. The family will be present in the church from 12:30 p.m., to receive condolences from relatives and friends. Interment will be held at St-Michel Cemetery at a later date. Funeral arrangements entrusted to The Coopérative Funéraire de l'Estrie, 530 Prospect St., Sherbrooke, Que., Martial Thérioux, president dir., gen., intérim., tel.: 565-7646, fax: 565-7844.

Card of Thanks

MOSHER - On behalf of the Mosher Family, we would like to express our thanks to the following people and associations for your support and generosity: Danville Legion Branch #41 and Ladies Auxiliary, U.C.W. Danville United Church, Reverend Jennings, Cass Funeral Homes, and family and friends who have sent well wishes, flowers and donations to Heart and Stroke Foundation. You have helped us to cope during this difficult time.

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Veterans Night, New Members, and Ladies too.

What do we Snowshoers do when December is nearly tropical. To show how the times are changing I note that on Dec 14, 1977 the Club met after the first major snowstorm of the year and still 74 members sat down to supper. Well tonight, Dec 5, we exceeded that quantity but the walkers came back from their tramp covered in sweat, not snow. To provide the best of all decorations for Christmas we had invited our ladies to attend. In their pretty dresses it sure 'spruced' up the joint. It was also Veterans Night and the Vets had been asked to wear their medals. An impressive display, and visual reminder of the pride we can have in those men and women from the Townships who went far from home to fight, and often lay down their lives, for our country's freedom.

Mac Learned was impressed with the care the Club takes of it's members. We sat him between Rev. Harry Brown to assure him hope for this life, and Merideth Barter to assure the right connections when his days are done. Pres. John got us started by asking all to rise and to sing "O Canada". We stayed standing while Sect. Cec read a poem "Those Old Guys", a tribute to, and recollection of, our armed Forces on Remembrance Day. We stayed standing while Roger played "The Last Post", Rev Harry Brown gave a prayer and asked the Lord's Blessing on our food. Roger amplified the moment of remembering by playing "Amazing Grace". We then sat down to enjoy Mrs. Lacroix' tasty soup followed by Boeuf Bourginon then Apple Turnover smothered with whipped cream. Delicious!

Pres. John thanked the veterans and the ladies for their attendance, and asked members to present their guests. John George introduced Ada Hicks. Herbert Hudson introduced Douglas and Betty Powers. Bob Bowers who joined last year but was unable to attend due to illness, was also presented. Pres. John then invited

Mrs. Lacroix in for a round of applause as our way of thanking her for the delicious dinner. Mervin Drew won the half and half of \$64. We then settled in for a sing-a-long. These Vets sure haven't forgotten the words to such songs as 'Kiss me Goodnite Sergeant Major', 'All the Nice Girls Love a Sailor', 'Coming In on a Wing And a Prayer', 'This is the Army Mr. Jones' etc. —for a while it sounded like a route march with all in top voice. We ended by standing for 'Battle Hymn of the Republic'. Rejuvenating! The secretary read the minutes, accepted on a motion by Denis Oakley, seconded by Blair Donachie and Carried. Capt Robert reported on tonight's tramp, but he did not mention that last week two trampers George and McConnell had got lost and were last seen on Scotch Road. They made it back for tonight's tramp. Roger, reporting on the sick, advised that Forrest Daigneault and Milton Brown were feeling a little better, and that cards were to be signed tonight to send the Club's best wishes to Ed Caron and Milton MacDonald. Pres. John then asked that potential members leave the room while the Club voted for their acceptance. On a motion by Keith Baldwin, seconded by Roger Tetreault they were all

accepted and greeted with applause on their return. Fred Currier then introduced the veterans attending tonight. There were 5 From the RCAF, 5 From the Canadian Army, and one from the USN. When we consider that the last war ended more



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than 56' years ago we can understand that many of these Vets are no longer teenagers. We rose to acknowledge our respect for these men. Burton McConnell then stood to bring us up to date on his research into veterans of the Club who had not been included on our Honor Roll.

Those names he has been researching are: - Joseph Atkinson, Stewart Ross, Arthur Hovey, Capt. Harold Tate, and Maj. Howard Miller. Burton give us an idea of the depth of his research quoting from the National Archives, Dept of National Defense, and personal studies in Europe's cemeteries. Burton proceeded then to introduce Lt-Col Ernie Garbutt Commanding Officer of The Sherbrooke Regiment from 1992 to 1996. Ernie told of his father, a Hong Kong veteran, whom he had never seen because he died of war caused illness before Ernie was born. He proceeded to give us a history of the Sherbrooke Regiment, it's affiliations, and the connections with Bury, Richmond and Compton. He traced the Regiment's history from prior Army Units in 1803 (the Fenian Raids) through Sept 1866 it's official birth. He told of how the Regiment had re-inforced the Royal Rifles in 1939 sending 383 men

and 16 officers to Hong Kong where many suffered years of mistreatment at the hands of the Japanese. Then on to the Sherbrooke Fusiliers on May 20 1940. He covered the affiliations with the 7th and 11th Hussars.

He told of "the Bomb", the tank that sits on Champ de Mars, and how it had been with the Regiment on D-Day when they hit the beach, and is one of only two left of those Tanks. He told of his research done in European cemeteries where grounds are kept immaculate (nothing here can compare) in honor of those Canadians, often 18 and 20 year olds, who died by the thousands in defeat of the mutual foe. Even the most hardened are brought to tears at the thought of so many of our youth sacrificed. Hon. Lt-Col. Jack Garneau of the Sherbrooke Hussars thanked the speaker, reiterating the emotions he too had felt on reviewing the Veterans cemeteries in Europe. President John then thanked Fred Currier for organizing tonight's meeting, he thanked Burton for the up-date on SSSC veterans and revision to our Honor Roll. He reminded all that Saturday Night is a Ladies' Night and invited all to attend. Adjourned at 8:58 and members rush off to organize cards and volleyball.

Respectfully submitted,
Cec Blenkhorn, Hon.
Secretary, SSSC.

That's where the rewards are

Ann Landers

Iowa

Dear Girl: It's good to know you have decided not to cheat on your husband. Tom sounds solid, and you have two children who should be a priority. Bob's suggestion that you two "might get together" if something happens to your spouses sounds nice and cozy, but it's dream-stuff and quite unlikely. Stop fantasizing, and invest your energy in solidifying your marriage. That's where the rewards are.

Dear Ann Landers: I am writing about the letter from "Frustrated in Texas," whose husband was a shopaholic and bought a lifetime supply of shampoo, razors, vitamins, and so on. My wife did the same thing. When I asked her why she bought so much of "everything," she said the items were on sale, the prices were terrific, and she wanted to stock up.

This went on for a number of years. Then one day, she was arrested for shoplifting. I was stunned. It then became clear why we had so many things we didn't need.

My wife was in her 70s, and fortunately, she was put on probation by a sympathetic judge and did not have to serve time. I might add, Ann, we are not poor people. She had no need to steal anything.

Dear Ann Landers: When I was 18 years old, I met "Bob" and fell in love. We dated for two years and became engaged. Unfortunately, we were young and foolish, and said some hurtful things to each other. It broke my heart when we split up. Four years later, I met "Tom," and we got married.

I still had feelings for Bob, and Tom knew it, but I thought those feelings would fade away. Well, it's been 13 years, and those feelings are as strong as ever. Tom and I have a good life, with two beautiful children, but it's not enough. I still dream about Bob. He's married now, lives in our town, and I see him occasionally. He is always at the pool when I take my kids for swimming lessons. He has mentioned the possibility of us "getting together" if anything were to happen to our spouses.

Don't worry, Ann, I would never allow this to become an affair. I respect my husband too much. However, I'm wondering if I am doing the right thing by staying married to Tom. Doesn't he deserve a wife who loves him with her whole heart? And what about me? Will I regret letting this opportunity pass me by?

Our children are still young, so waiting until they are out of the house will take a long time. I need your advice. — Small Town Girl in

I now realize she had a form of mental illness, and my anger at her is gone. "Frustrated in Texas" might consider this possibility. — Enlightened Husband in Florida

Dear Husband: Thank you for a letter that will surely enlighten a great many readers. Your wife is lucky to have such a supportive and understanding husband. If she hasn't yet thanked her lucky stars, she should do so now.

Dear Ann Landers: I recently discovered that one of my co-workers is selling stolen leather coats on the side. Several of the people in our office have purchased these coats for incredible bargain prices, and they don't ask any questions about where the coats came from.

I intend to report this thief to the police, but am worried that some of my co-workers will get into trouble for buying the coats. How can I hold my head up in the office if they find out I am the one who alerted the police? — Twin Cities, Minn.

Dear Minn.: You are caught between the proverbial rock and a hard place. Those co-workers who knowingly purchased stolen merchandise could wind up in plenty of trouble. Do what your conscience tells you — but be prepared for the fallout. In fact, you might want to start looking for other employment opportunities.

Happy Birthday
Maurice

Best Wishes

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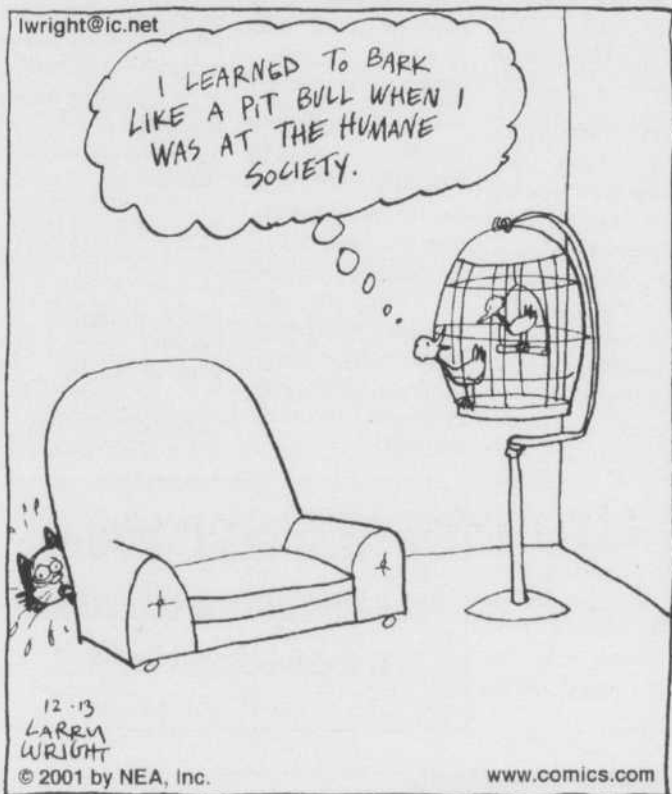
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"Is the lady coming back, sir?"

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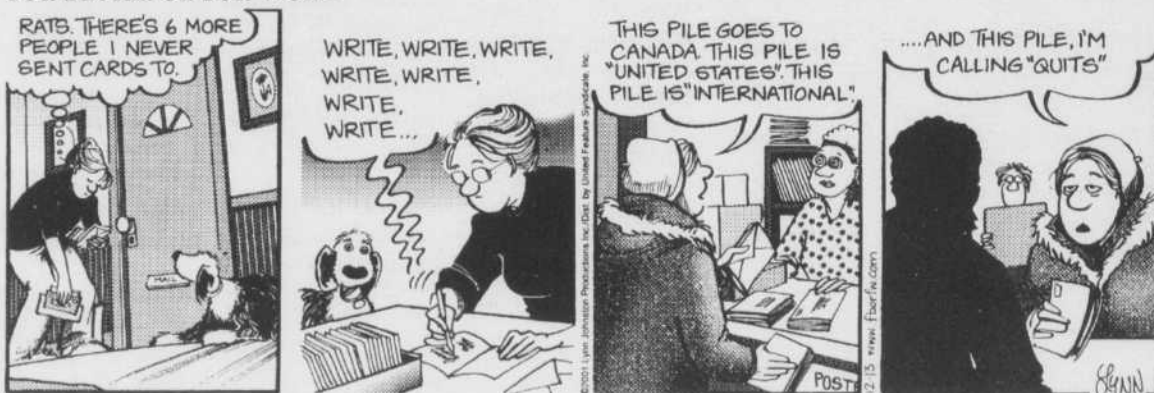
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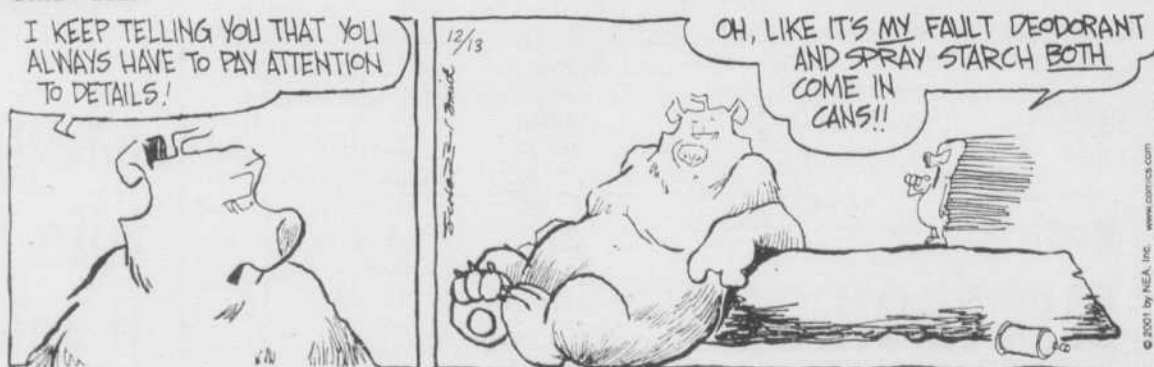
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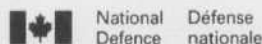
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Thursday, Dec. 13, 2001

Joint endeavors are likely to be where you're apt to have your greatest successes in the year ahead. If you find you're attempting too much, seek out competent allies.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Being independent and your own person is admirable, but be careful not to carry these inclinations to extremes today. Be prepared to be a team player when called for.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Again today, something you've failed to take care of will demand immediate attention. Why don't you attend to this thorn in your side once and for all?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Usually you're exceptionally tolerant of people and take them as they are, but today the opposite could be true. Intolerance will cause them to start listing your shortcomings as well.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Your chances for success are only fair to middling today. It will not be because you lack motivation or ambition, but the tactics you use will be self-defeating.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — All the talk in the world is not going to convince anybody of what you're promoting unless they have all the facts and figures in front of them. They'll need lots of verification today.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Unfortu-

nately for your wallet, you've been in a spending mode lately. Prudence is a good preventative measure to take today to ward off further extravagance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — When confronted with people who seem to be a bit uncooperative and self-seeking today, ask yourself honestly if they may be emulating your treatment of them. There's a chance they are.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Self-induced problems are likely today if you fly by the seat of your pants instead of with a proper flight plan. Figure out the direction you wish to take before making your moves.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — If the welcome mat is not out for you, don't impose yourself on any person or group. Asserting yourself where you're not wanted today will result in negative reactions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Think before you open your mouth today, or you could blurt out something very negative or hurtful. If what you say is too offensive, it will be difficult to retract.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Don't be so mistaken as to think someone who usually has a negative attitude about things will be a person on whom to test out your ideas today. All you'll get is a thumbs down.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — If you want anything left in your wallet when the weekend rolls around, you had better put a lock and key on your spending today. Extravagance carries penalties.

Thursday, Dec. 13, 2001

North 12-13-01			
♠ A 10 5 2			
♥ 2			
♦ 4 3			
♣ A J 10 8 7 4			
West	East		
♠ 3	—		
♥ 3	♥ A K Q J 10 9 8 7 4		
♦ J 10 9 8 7 6 5	♦ K Q		
♣ K Q 9 3	♣ 5 2		
South			
♠ K Q J 9 8 7 6 4			
♥ 6 5			
♦ A 2			
♣ 6			
Dealer: East Vulnerable: Both			
South	West	North	East
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	Pass	5 ♠	5 ♥
Pass	Pass	6 ♠	6 ♥
			All pass
Opening lead: ??			

downwards not upwards. So, a quick dip into "Right Through the Pack" by Robert Darvas and Norman de Villiers Hart produced another gem.

Would you prefer to declare in or defend against six spades?

Who knows how the auction would go? In the book, the authors just say: "East bid his hearts vigorously, but North-South were not to be denied, and South was eventually allowed to buy the contract at six spades."

At first glance, South looks safe. He can set up dummy's club suit and discard his diamond loser. And that happens after, say, a heart lead followed by a diamond-king shift. As declarer must ruff three clubs, he needs four dummy entries, and he has them: three trumps and a heart ruff with the spade two.

However, the defenders can thwart this plan with a seemingly innocuous play. West must lead his heart. East wins with the seven, then — best — continues with the heart four, which West ruffs with the lowly spade three. Suddenly the contract is unmakeable.

Declarer overruffs with the spade five, cashes dummy's club ace, ruffs a club in hand, plays a spade to dummy's 10, ruffs another club, crosses to dummy's trump ace, and ruffs a third club. Now there are two club winners in the dummy — and the spade two — but there is no dummy entry left. South loses trick 13 to East's diamond king.

Working down rather than up

By Phillip Alder

Yesterday, I gave a deal in which a king played the key role. I claimed that, on 12-12, one could consider his majesty the 12th card in a suit. However, really a three is the 12th card; we should work

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Moves up and down
- 5 Deep voice
- 9 Records
- 14 Up to the task
- 15 Dismounted
- 16 Last Greek letter
- 17 Start of a quip
- 19 Lion's plaints
- 20 Bishopric
- 21 Hoofbeat
- 22 Property delineations
- 23 Part 2 of quip
- 25 Dot
- 28 Mind-reading letters
- 29 Isolated
- 30 Trade center

- 32 Crimson Tide, to fans
- 36 Bathed
- 37 Part 3 of quip
- 38 Dravidian tongue
- 39 Change for a five
- 40 General McAuliffe's answer
- 41 Serengeti carnivore
- 42 Help
- 43 Discredits unjustly
- 44 Part 4 of quip
- 50 Twangy sounds
- 51 Extra-wide shoe size
- 52 Disparity
- 55 Booster rocket
- 56 End of quip
- 58 Bubbly
- 59 Crushing blow

- 23 Port and hock
- 24 Computer geeks
- 25 ___ Alto, CA
- 26 Panache
- 27 Wander aimlessly
- 30 Bea Arthur sitcom
- 31 Pismire
- 32 Ronstadt hit, "Blue ___"
- 33 Prayer conclusion
- 34 Merciless villain
- 35 ___ and alack!
- 38 Condition of agonizing struggle
- 40 Young lice

- 42 Sets to rest
- 43 N.C. and Andrew
- 44 Not suitable
- 45 Take the odds
- 46 Rhone tributary
- 47 Long and lean
- 48 "The Merry Widow" composer
- 49 Purchase alternative
- 52 Play
- 53 Highest poker pair
- 54 Holding areas
- 56 Pugilists' grp.
- 57 Bottom-line figure

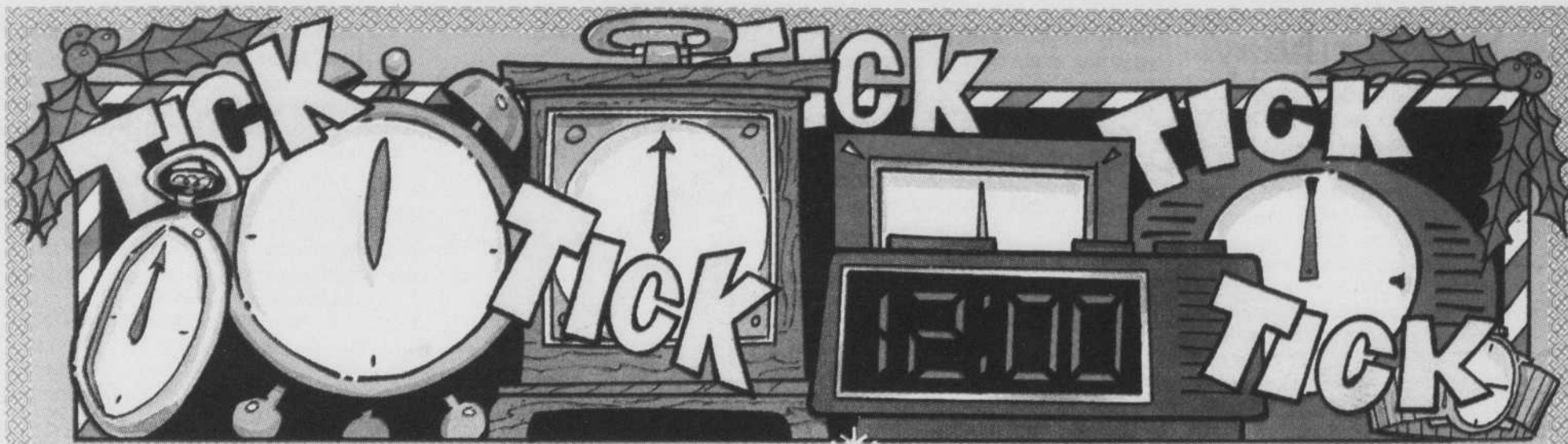
Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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DOWN

- 1 Prolonged barks
- 2 Bassoon's kin
- 3 Crestfallen
- 4 Put in position
- 5 Narrative song
- 6 Parcel out
- 7 Fools
- 8 Fr. holy woman
- 9 Ripped
- 10 In the company of
- 11 Humdinger
- 12 Wading bird
- 13 Fresh
- 18 Resounded
- 22 Speedy

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