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TOWNSHIPS DIGEST

Fifth teen suicide

Tragedy strikes Coaticook again
By Paul Cherry

SHERBROOKE

Tragedy has struck the La Frontaliere high school in Coaticook again.

Yesterday morning the Quebec Police Force in Coaticook was called to the scene of a suicide of another of the school's students.

The body of the 16-year-old boy was found in Compton at approximately 8 a.m. yesterday. Quebec Police Force spokesman Cst. Serge Dubord said the boy had left his home in Coaticook late Sunday night and that people became concerned when he did not show up for school Monday morning.

The young male is the fifth student from La Frontaliere to take his own life within a little more than two months. In January, after returning from Christmas holidays, students and faculty were shocked to hear that two classmates had ended their lives over the holiday break. The news came while the people from La Frontaliere were still dealing with a suicide that occurred in November. A fourth student committed suicide on Jan. 7.

"We are still conducting our investigation but I can say that we have found no connection between this suicide and any of the others," Dubord said.

A coroner's investigation into the first four deaths revealed no links. Dubord said the QPF will turn over the results of their investigation into the latest death to a special committee formed to look into the first four suicides.



TODAY'S WEATHER

Sunny, -10 to -22

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We'll run strong liberals against PCs - Gagliano Johnson backs move to support federalists

By Paul Cherry and
Rita Legault
SHERBROOKE

Provincial Liberal leader Daniel Johnson said its okay for party members to support federalist candidates who aren't members of the federal Liberal party as long as the Bloc Québécois is thrown from power.

Johnson was reacting to comments by MNA Monique Gagnon-Tremblay who recently announced she plans to back Conservative leader Jean Charest in the next federal election.

A longtime Charest supporter, Gagnon-Tremblay said she believes Charest is the federalist candidate with the best chance of winning in the riding of Sherbrooke.

"I think you have to be realistic," Gagnon-Tremblay said. "How can you divide the federalist vote when your aim is to get rid of regional parties."

Gagnon-Tremblay and Johnson made the comments Monday at a press conference to promote the provincial Liberal Party Convention in two weeks.

Although the provincial Liberals recently announced a plan to throw its weight behind the federal Liberals, Johnson said the rank and file members are free to support the candidate of their choice. But, he warned, federalists should not lose track of the prize.

"We want to get rid of the Bloc Québécois," he said. "It weakens Quebec and it makes us a laughing stock internationally to have a separatist party sitting in our federal parliament."

"Quebec gains nothing from this," he said.

Johnson said the strategy should be different from riding to riding as members analyze which party has the best chance of ousting the Bloc.

In the meantime, a federal Liberal organizer reacted angrily to Gagnon-Tremblay's comment that federal ministers support her decision.

"That's fine because they're different parties," said MP Alfonso Gagliano, the organizer for the federal Liberal party in



PERRY BEATON

Liberal leader Daniel Johnson joined MNA's Monique Gagnon-Tremblay and Robert Benoit during a sweep through the region.

Quebec. "But I don't think it was appropriate for her to say that three of our ministers support the idea. We will run a strong candidate in every riding including Sherbrooke."

Gagnon-Tremblay said federal ministers Stéphane Dion, Paul Martin and Lucienne Robillard agreed with her that the Liberals shouldn't run a strong candidate against Charest.

"As a party we never indicated that we were interested in such an action," Gagliano said making it clear his party has no deals with the Progressive Conservatives.

In a recent speech Liberal MP Denis Paradis begged the public to "not split the federalist vote" in the next election.

The Brome-Missisquoi MP pointed out there will be three or four federalist candidates versus one for separatists. Gagliano said that comment shouldn't be taken as a show of support for Charest.

"Let's not forget that when Denis Paradis ran in an election in the Brome Missisquoi area Mr. Charest ran a strong candidate against us. And he campaigned very hard for the seat but thank God the people of that area decided to

vote for Mr. Paradis," said Gagliano.

Paradis beat Tory candidate Francine Vincelette, a Knowlton businesswoman, in the 1995 byelection called after Bloc MP Gaston Peloquin died in a car crash.

"We had to fight hard for that seat but I don't have a problem with that," Gagliano said. "Let's let the public make their choice for a representative. That's the best way for a democracy."

Gagliano said the electoral picture in Sherbrooke and the rest of Quebec could become clearer very soon.

The Sherbrooke riding association will hold its nomination meetings before the end of April, but Gagliano said the names of people who want to compete might be known as soon as next week.

Former Sherbrooke Mayor Jean-Paul Pelletier ran for the Liberals in the last federal election in 1993, coming in a distant third after hoping to come up the middle when the vote was split between Charest and Bloc candidate Guy Boutin, a former Charest organizer.

In 1988, the Liberals choose successful businessman Denis Wood to compete against Charest.



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Willing to make sacrifices

Community spirit is the hallmark of Townships

There's a whiff of optimism in the winter wind, a refreshing gust of enthusiasm blowing in the air. Signs of faith and hope abound. I got a sense of this last Tuesday at a panel discussion on English education, on Thursday at a Women's Institute meeting, and again Saturday at a banquet for the Compton County farming community.

The tone of the discussion on "The Future of Small Schools in English Education in Quebec," hosted by the Eastern Townships Research Centre and the Sherbrooke and District University Women's Club, was positive and optimistic. A few of the statements that struck me follow. They all have relevance to community life:

"The dynamics of how we work together has changed, with more attempts being made to include everyone, to give one another confidence, to value individual skills. There is a movement to protect 'smallness'. Many of us have a strong attachment for the places where we live, often small rural areas with

strong identities of their own - which we refuse to have confused with those of nearby major towns." (Carol Mooney, Director of Practice Teaching, Bishop's Graduate School of Education)

"The more globalized our environment becomes, the more important regional issues become." (Elaine Freeland, Assistant Deputy Minister for English Education)

"There has been a recent growth in school enrollment in some smaller Townships communities, as former city dwellers realize the positive aspects of living in a more rural setting. The local school is increasing in importance as the centre of community life." (Madge Paulette, former Eastern Townships School Board chairperson)

"People are willing to make sacrifices to keep small schools going. Parents and grandparents actively participate in the life of the school." (Walter Duszara, Di-



SUSAN MASTINE

rector General, ETSB)

The end of the discussion brought an unexpected sense of elation that our community is blessed with the positive outlook and commitment of people determined to build on our community's strengths.

Although I was present for only a segment of the Lennoxville Women's Institute's regular monthly meeting, I got a sense of how each member is willing to contribute individually to a group effort, so that the end result is a success and a benefit to the community. It is truly inspiring to see such a small but determined group carry on a century-old tradition of dedication to "home, country, and the environment."

The Bulwer Quebec Farmers' Association's annual banquet attracted nearly one hundred participants, despite the 'iffy' weather. Those in attendance were

treated to good company, good food, good humor, and good music. Most noteworthy were not the VIPs sitting at the head table - apologies to guest speaker Tim Belford and his wife Jane Loisselle, the Burns, the Kirbys and the Frenchs. What was truly remarkable was the number of young people in attendance, who accounted for a surprisingly healthy proportion of those at the banquet, and an even higher percentage at the dance afterwards. It was heartwarming to see the number of families with at least three generations present.

(Instilling a tradition of participation and a sense of community at a very early age - what better sign of attachment to the area and what better future-building activity could we ask for?)

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"Nothing is so contagious as enthusiasm; it moves stones, it charms brutes. Enthusiasm is the genius of sincerity and truth accomplishes no victories without it." (Bulwer-Lytton)

Large print

As you can see, we've increased the size of the print and we've also increased the space between each line in response to a deluge of calls and letters from readers who complained they were unable to read the print in our new format.

We trust these changes will be satisfactory. We welcome your comments and will continue to respond to your suggestions. You can write us at The Record, Box 2850 Delorme, Sherbrooke J1K 1A1. If you want your letters and comments published, please ensure they are signed and a telephone number is included.

SHARON McCULLY

Tax help available

RICHMOND

For the fifth consecutive year and thanks to the generous participation of area volunteers, Richmond's Centre the Bénévolat is again offering a volunteer income tax return service for low-income families and individuals of the Richmond area.

Please note that the service is free of charge and that it is meant exclusively for persons whose declaration of income is simple and who cannot afford the cost of having the income tax return done.

The service is offered, among others, to low income workers, welfare recipients, the unemployed, single-parent families, the elderly, etc....Six volunteer income tax clinics will be held Mon-

day and Wednesday afternoons, March 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, and 19 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Gouin Street Community Centre in Richmond.

Anyone interested can come to the centre with the necessary documents. Qualified and competent volunteers will be on hand to complete the income tax forms, in a direct and confidential manner.

This volunteer service is offered in cooperation with the CLSC et CHSLD du Val Saint-Francois, under the federal and provincial Revenue Departments' "Volunteer Programmes."

For more information, please contact Denise Blais, director of the Richmond Centre de Bénévolat, at 826-6166.

Suspect sought in local credit card fraud case

The Sherbrooke Police are looking for a suspect involved in a transaction using a stolen credit card. On Dec. 12 1996 the suspect, a black woman who spoke French, entered a financial institution and was able to obtain \$4000 using a stolen credit card. The suspect is approximately 30 years old, weighs 150 lbs, and is 5 foot 2 inches tall. She also has a scar on her face just below her nose. At the time of the fraudulent transaction she was wearing a checked winter coat with snow flake designs on it. She was also wearing a brown leather cap. The financial institution is offering a \$100 reward to anyone who can provide information that can lead to the arrest and conviction of the suspect. If you have any information on this crime contact the Sherbrooke Police at 821-5544.



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Stanstead	Mnly Sunny	-22	-11
Lac Mégantic	Mnly Sunny	-24	-11

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Safety of children is main concern

Pilot project to study traffic problems

By Rita Legault
SHERBROOKE

The city of Sherbrooke and the government of Quebec are spending \$200,000 on a pilot project to study traffic problems in the city's west end and come up with concrete solutions.

While Galt St. is subject to heavy traffic because it is a major artery going through town, the west end has its own particular headaches due to trucks coming to and from a small but active industrial park surrounded by houses, schools and parks.

Traffic congestion has been amplified by the arrival of a trucking company based in the industrial enclave around Roy St.

"In 1990 there were 80 trucks a day," said Galt resident Auguste Dubuc. "After they arrived it went up to 200, 300, 400. Now its more than 400. They should never have been given a permit to operate there."

Residents of the neighborhood, particularly those living on Galt West, have complained about increased truck traffic. They also worry about speeding cars and trucks and the safety of their children.

Galt West has two elementary schools within a ten block radius - each with about 300 children circulating morning, noon and in the afternoon.

While signs indicate the presence of schoolchildren, there are no reduced speed zones outside the schools, despite a request by citizens to City Hall for lower speed limits.

According to municipal councillor Jean-François Rouleau, who represents the west end, last fall police handed out 400 speeding tickets within a month on Galt West.

Rouleau said the city's engineering department is looking into posting reduced speed limits in school zones, but

he said he's not sure that's the ultimate solution.

"Is the only solution to put up signs?" he asks. "The real problem is making trucks and cars slow down. Will signs alone accomplish that?"

Ecole Champlain parents committee representative Luc Charbonneau agrees.

"First we have to get people to respect the 50-km an hour speed limit that's already posted," he commented.

Charbonneau said he hopes the study will lead to concrete solutions to traffic problems. And he hopes it will happen soon.

"We don't want to wait for a serious problem which would involve one of our children," he said. "That's what I'm really worried about, the safety of our children."

Charbonneau said parents want to limit both traffic and speed on Galt by whatever means possible. Among the suggestions are making the street narrower, building an island down the centre of the street, or setting up other physical obstructions to slow and discourage heavy traffic.

"If there is a physical barrier the problem will resolve itself," he said, adding that he's not worried that frustrated motorists will overflow into residential neighborhoods.

Galt Street residents Auguste Dubuc and André de Lafontaine don't agree with obstructing traffic. They would simply like the speed reduced.

"We already paid to widen the street. It doesn't make sense to narrow it now," Dubuc said. "I think that's ridiculous when they could solve it with a sign."

While the two neighbors are worried about speeding cars, they say they are satisfied with measures to decrease the flow of trucks through the neighborhood.

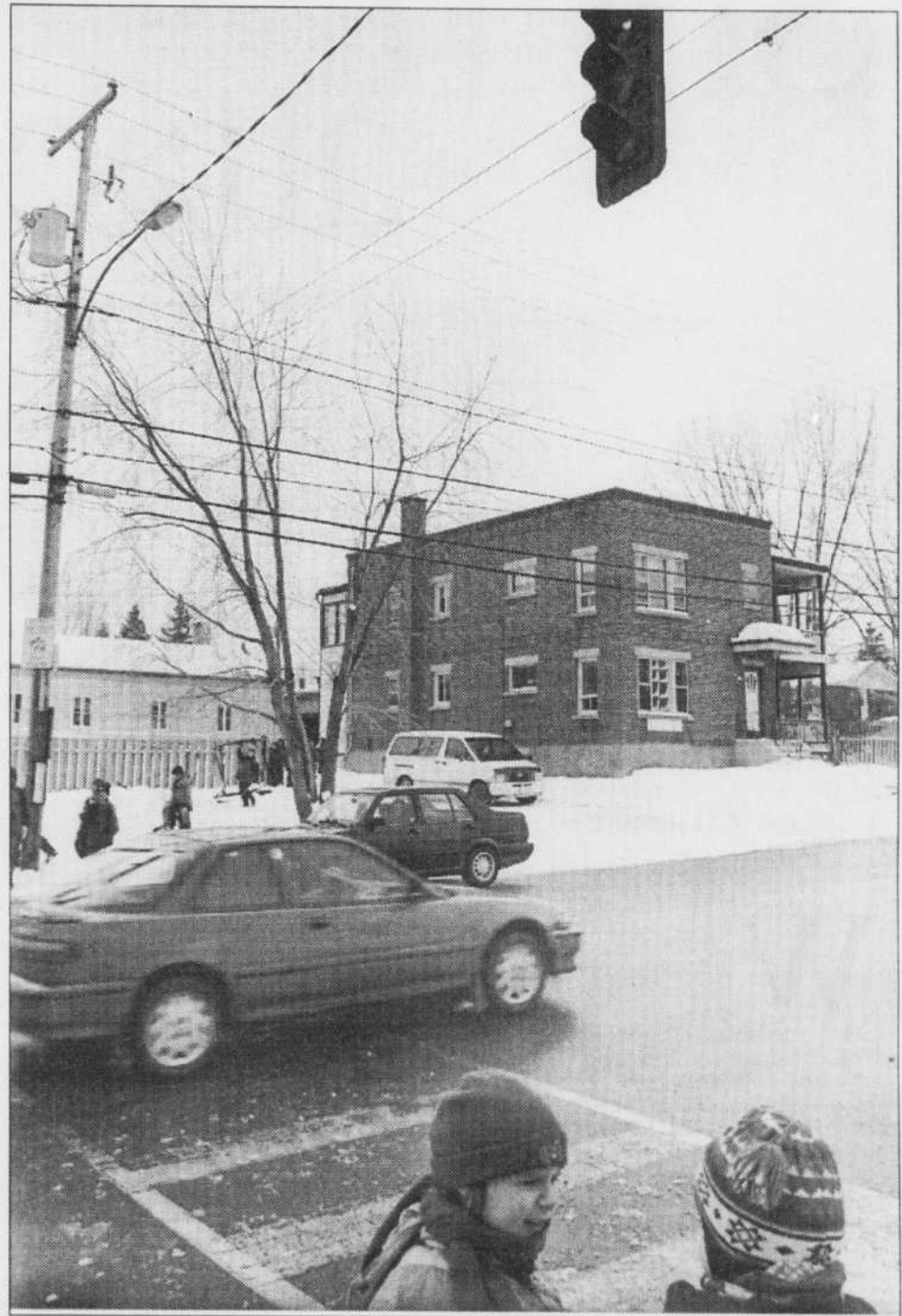
The longtime Galt residents say that proposed traffic flow regulations which will come into effect soon may lighten the circulation outside their homes - which they say has reached 400 heavy trucks a day.

The new rules forcing trucks to arrive by University and leave by Galt West will reduce the flow of truck traffic by compelling it to go in a single direction. The rules also force trucks to use King St. at night.

In the meantime, a multidisciplinary team of experts will study the traffic situation to come up with long term solutions. The team will include city engineers, private engineers from firm CIMA-Plus, traffic specialists from the geography department at the University of Sherbrooke, as well as representatives from Quebec's automobile insurance and safety board. Citizens and local merchants are also being invited to take part in the study.

During a press conference in the street which was punctuated by traffic noises, and interrupted by a city bus and again by a municipal plough and salt truck, Mayor Jean Perrault said the pilot project will improve safety for motorists, pedestrians and schoolchildren.

MNA Marie Malavoy, who was on hand to announce a \$100,000 contribu-



PERRY BEATON
School children and bystanders looked on as numerous cars sped through orange and even red lights at a busy Galt St. intersection. A pilot project has been launched to seek solutions to the traffic problem.

tion from the provincial government, said the results of the pilot project can be applied to similar situations elsewhere.



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A joint provincial municipal project will endeavor to make road safer for children.



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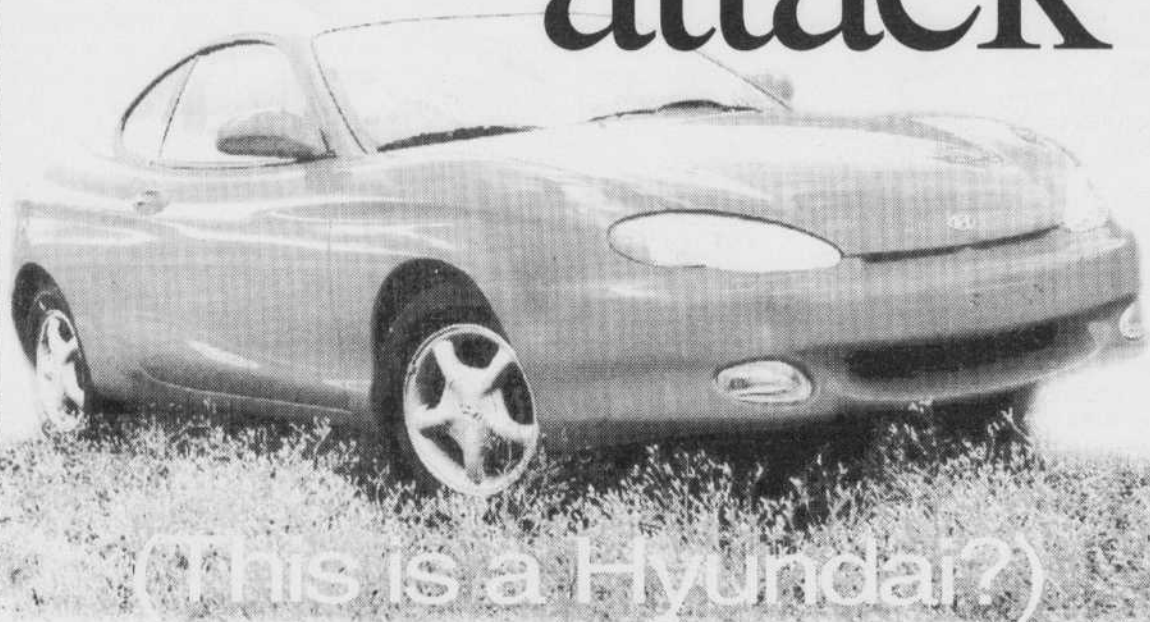
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Shark attack

Tiburon



By JEFF MELNYCHUK
SPECIAL REPORT

When you're a newcomer swimming in the dangerous, shark-infested waters of the GT sports car category, you can get chewed up and spit out — in a big hurry. That is unless you yourself are a shark.

Hyundai's Tiburon is poised to wade into those waters with more than just a squirt gun, pool noodle and a snappy new pair of Speedos to do battle. To compete, you've got to be quick, light on your fins, have the bite of a Great White and give change from a \$20,000 bill to boot.

Hyundai delivers the goods with this slick 2+2 that should do more than raise the eyebrows of the competition.

Tiburon (Spanish for shark) represents a radical departure for Hyundai, a company better known for its low-priced Excels, Sonatas and Elantras. But a sports car? Tiburon will make you a believer.

The shark comes in two flavors, base and FX. The base model comes standard with a 1.8-litre DOHC four-cylinder engine that puts out a respectable 130 horsepower. A 2.0-litre DOHC four-cylinder engine rated at 140 horsepower is optional in the base



and is standard on the FX, which also comes with four-wheel disc brakes, rear spoiler and 14-inch aluminum wheels. Ordering the FX opens up the door to a cache of options including 15-inch-wheels, which will become standard equipment on the FX, and a leather interior. Yes, this is a Hyundai.

The silhouette is not unlike the Toyota Celica or Pontiac Sunfire, but Tiburon's fender creases and squinty tail lights sets it apart. Distinct? Yes. But is it distinct enough?

Inside, Tiburon is a real treat. Controls are intuitive and well positioned and all are recessed in oval pods — including the clock. The retractable cupholder is a neat feature that pops out of the dash, much like the tray of a CD player. But, like many other cars, dropping in a large soda severely restricts the use of the stereo. Ample leg and head room greet average-sized folks, but the back is better left to children.

The test car was equipped with optional leather-clad seats, shifter lever and steering wheel. The seat bottoms were a touch on the hard side, but provided good support and comfort. Slightly fatter bolsters would keep your lower back and tushie more secure in the twisties.

The paint of the test car was bright and shiny with little orange peel and the body panels fit tightly together with consistent gaps — consistent with a car that's quite well detailed, right down to the logo which, if you squint really hard — takes on the lines of a shark.

If you're in the market for something sporty and fun, drive this car. Put what you thought you knew about Hyundai behind you — the company has been playing catchup for a number of years and, with the Tiburon, appears ready to venture into the deep end

FLIGHT DATA

1997 Hyundai Tiburon

- ★ Two-door sports coupe, base and FX models
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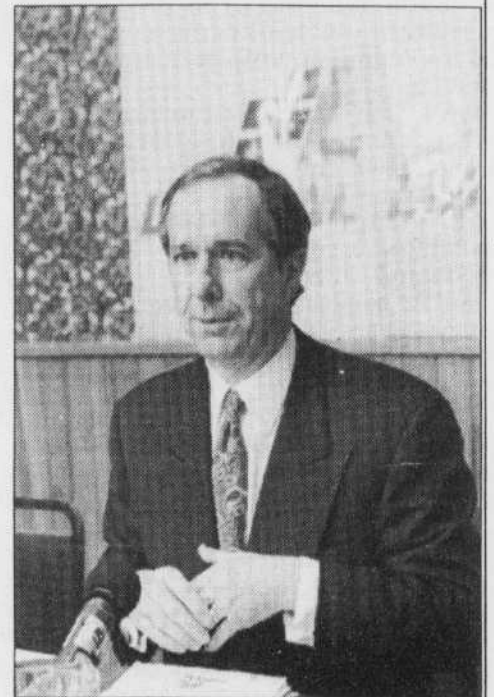
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Johnson braces for attacks on his leadership

By Rita Legault
SHERBROOKE

Daniel Johnson said he was not surprised by a first attack on his leadership this weekend and said he expects more leading up to the Liberal convention two weeks from now.

On Saturday, the vice-president of the Quebec Liberal Party Denis Therrien said he decided not to run because Johnson is hindering fundraising efforts for the party.



PERRY BEATON

Johnson... "Raising money is difficult in opposition"

"Raising money is difficult in opposition," Johnson told reporters Monday, adding that the Liberals raised two or three times the amount raised by the Parti Québécois in similar circumstances.

Johnson said that until recently, Therrien had planned to run again.

"He even had his ballot signed by executive committee members whom he's now calling Yes men," Johnson said, adding that Therrien is using this opportunity to berate the party, its leader, its policies and fundraising efforts.

Johnson said that as vice-president Therrien has had many opportunities to speak his mind, but he failed to do so — until now, two weeks before the Liberals hold their annual policy convention.

"Why did he choose to speak out now?" Johnson said, adding that the timing is interesting.

Until now, it seemed Johnson's leadership would not be contested. Now Therrien has called on the membership to discuss Johnson's future.

Johnson offered to continue working for the party, breaking into what appears to be the themes for the next provincial election.

"We are the party of solutions, not of cutbacks," he said, adding that the Liberal party plans to invest in education to create jobs and prosperity.

Education and job creation are the two main planks the party plans to use to construct its platform for the next election, Johnson said adding that it is the role of the opposition to prepare the debate for the next election.

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HERE'S LOOKIN' AT YOU, KID Arianne and her armful of rooster eye the camera.



THE SECRET SHARER Jean-Claude Poulin smiles as his miniature shetland pony Buck bends his ear with some barnyard gossip.

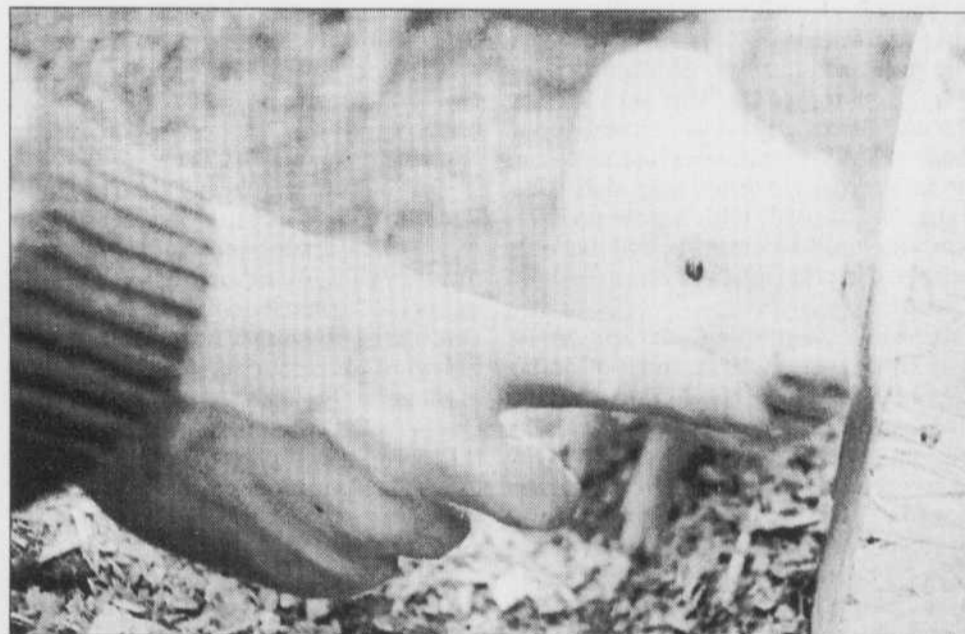


PEEK-A-BOO One of Poulin's goats.

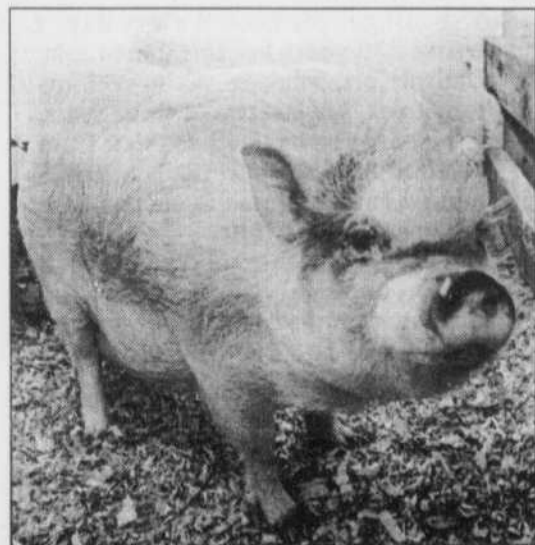
Exotic Breeds

Jean-Claude Poulin raises a wide variety of domestic animals, with an emphasis on exotic breeds. His barn near Richmond houses prize chickens, peacocks, quail and other fowl which he brings to agricultural shows. He also has long-hair rabbits, miniature goats and sheep. His current favorites are his litter of two-week-old Vietnamese pot-bellied piglets and his two-year-old miniature shetland pony Buck.

RICK FOSS



THIS LITTLE PIGGY ATE ROAST BEEF... Not yet weaned, this two-week-old piglet doesn't know about not biting the hand that feeds.



THIS LITTLE PIGGY... Has attitude!

SOME SHEEP! A couple of fine members of the Poulin farm family.



COMMUNITY FORUM

Public consultation needed on fate of school boards

The Eastern Townships School Board has long been a supporter of Quebec's efforts to replace a school system divided on religious lines with one divided according to language and, even though no public hearings that I am aware of were ever held by ETSB to determine whether its taxpayers agreed with this position, the board was probably right in its presumption of that support.

VIEWPOINT

DON HEALY

But is this still a safe assumption? In light of recent developments in a debate that has been before us for years, several people I know well - people who have been supporters of linguistic schools and boards until now, at least in principle - are having second thoughts, and for good reason.

SEEDS OF DOUBT

Premier Bouchard is one who has sown seeds of doubt by making it abundantly clear that the extension of rights to English-speaking Quebecers who don't already enjoy those rights is just not on his agenda. And that extension of rights would be precisely what a change to the BNA Act's Section 93 would provide if it were amended to protect English and French schools and boards across the province. That is because Section 93, which now protects Catholics and Protestants, applies only within the city limits of Montreal and Quebec City.

Until the Supreme Court of Canada said otherwise in 1993, most of us believed that the BNA Act protected Protestant and Catholic education province-wide. And that explains why many people supported the linguistic boards concept, provided they were protected the way we believed confessional boards were. And some argue now that, since confessional institu-

tions were never constitutionally guarded in rural Quebec anyway, how can anyone object to going linguistic without protection we never had?

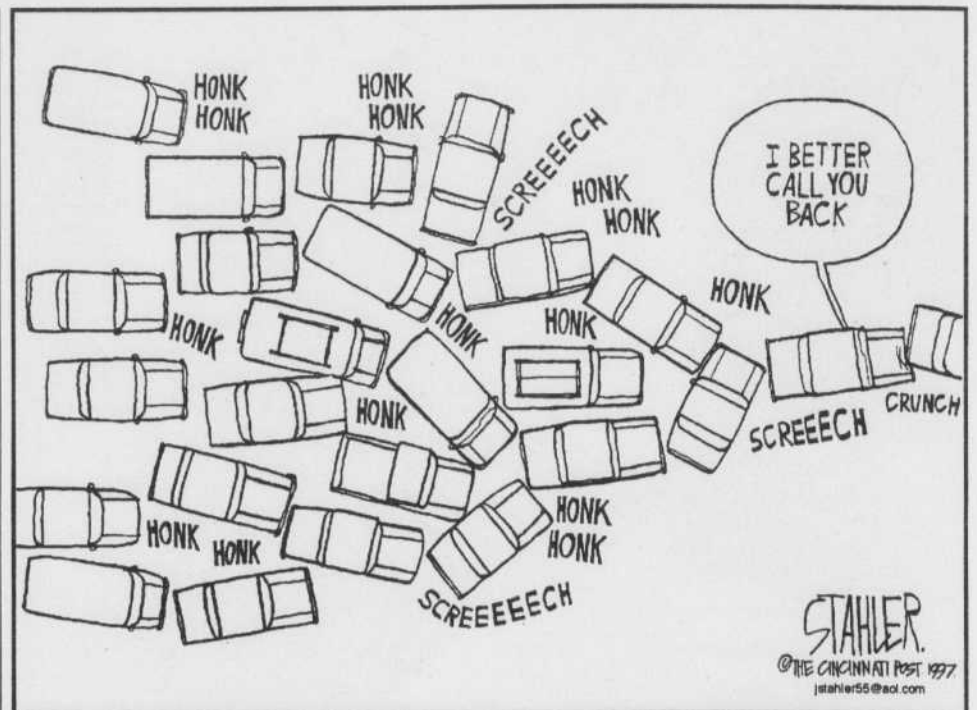
Another argument that is applicable now, but wasn't before 1982, is that Article 23 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms offers us a level of protection we didn't have before the 1982 Act was passed. That's the rebuttal Premier Bouchard uses. (The irony here is amusing, though, because Bouchard also says that the '82 Act is illegitimate and, by extension, meaningless.)

And as if there weren't already enough variables, here is one more. If Quebec pulls out of Canada, none of the protections the Canadian constitution provides will mean anything.

WHAT IS ONE TO DO?

The only thing that is clear in all this mess is that nothing is as simple as we would like it to be. And the people I talk to seem to agree that the ETSB (and perhaps other boards, too) ought to hold public hearings so that they can (1) learn more about the ramifications of a move to linguistic schools and boards and (2) advise the boards of their support or resistance.

One consideration I would hope Record readers might entertain is that if their board supports Pauline Marois' move to a linguistic system without appropriate constitutional protection, the board is contributing to the removal of constitutional rights that at least some Quebecers (Montrealers and Quebec City residents) presently enjoy. If ETSB, or any board, seeks and gets its taxpayers' support for that position, fine. But such a move based on presumption of support would be a mistake the board might very well regret.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Those were the good old days

DEAR EDITOR,

I would like to tell you a little of my experiences working for the Record in the early 1950s and early 1960s.

I started work at the Sherbrooke Daily Record, when it was on Wellington Street. I believe it was in 1951. George Jobel was writing about his first job after leaving school and mentioned that his mother got him a job at the Sherbrooke Daily Record. Well, my dad, who was a friend of Ivan Saunders, got me a job at the Sherbrooke Daily Record. I think my dad had done some bookkeeping for Mr. Saunders, at one time. I was 18 years old at the time, and Mr. Saunders gave me a job in the press room-stereo department.

My job was to make the lead pigs for the linotype machines, stocking the coal fire, so that the lead would not drop in temperature, otherwise the castings would not work right, especially the round plates that were to go onto the press. I also made the lead castings to be later cut on the saw for the typeset department, to make up the advertising. We had a stick which we used to keep the shavings from jamming up on the blade, which could damage the type on the edge of the plate. One day when the paper was a bit late, and while I was cutting the edges of the round plate, I used my finger instead of the stick. Well, I lost the tip of my index finger at the first joint.

Sometimes, in the Spring, a lot of water would leak down the wall, in the back where we worked. The workers were Bill Matthews, George Duperron, Dave Lessard, Austin Cook and

myself, Don Duncan. Charles Pearson was the boss of that department. I believe that Dave Lessard's son, Richard still runs the press for the Record. Dave Lessard took over after Mr. Pearson retired as head of the press room.

Well, to get back to my story about the damp wall in the back of the Boring Mill. We had a 500 volt fuse box, which contained the breakers that powered the press. We used to keep a nail brush in the fuse box. I stepped up to the power box, not realizing the water on the floor. Well, I touched the box and got a wicked shock. Everything went black and my chest tightened up for about a second or two. I was fortunate enough to survive the ordeal.

Another of my jobs was to carry the papers from the press room to the ladies upstairs. This was a hard job, as you had to go up the stairs and run back down before the papers started to fall on the floor. I did this for 11 years.

I used to help Austin Cook unload the paper rolls that weighed about 300 to 600 or 700 pounds. This happened about once a month. I also did many other jobs.

I still get my Record every day. I worked 12 years for the Sherbrooke Daily Record, when it was on Wellington Street. My last two or three years, were hard for me, as I got sick from the lead fumes. However, Ivan Saunders was awfully good to me and kept me working for awhile.

Those were the good years with many wonderful experiences. I finished in 1963. I wish all the best to the workers of the Record, and many more years of publications.

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YOUTH BEAT

Bright and beautiful stories

Munsch delights readers old and young

By Stephanie Boutilier
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

Ask any young child to name their favorite book and my bet is they'll name a title by well known children's writer and Canadian author, Robert Munsch. Young children and adults have been enjoying Munsch's books since he was first published in 1979. His first book, *Mud Puddle*, was recently re-issued and is a charming view of how dirt and children come together in that special relationship we have all experienced. Since that time, Munsch has been delighting young readers with more than 25 unique and special stories.

Munsch succeeds exceedingly well at writing stories that touch the heart and mind of adults as well as children. The tales he devises from visits to, and letters from, young children are both intelligent and humorous. Munsch also attempts to include an important theme in each of his books beyond the simple lines of the story itself. This is especially evident in his book, *A Promise Is a Promise*, which he co-authored. In this book Munsch attempts to break down cultural barriers between children by using native folklore in a story about basic childhood curios-

ity. In refusing to talk down to his young readership, Munsch manages to gain a loyal following among adults as well as children.

My introduction to this author's writing came when a friend passed me Munsch's, *Love You Forever*, in a department store. As I read it, I realized that this was not just a picture book, but a heartfelt story of a mother's unwavering love for her child. In fact, I was so touched, I suddenly realized I was crying my eyes out in the middle of Walmart. This beautiful story is accompanied by other books such as *Stephanie's Ponytail*, *Thomas' Snowsuit*, and *Pigs* all of which have a shining wit and reality about them. In *Purple, Green, and Yellow*, Munsch tells the tale of a little girl who unfortunately obtains markers of the kind that are, "super indelible, never-come-off-until-you're-dead and maybe even later." The story is merely one more example of the talent this author has for making his stories come alive with colorful descriptions. His books are a pleasure to read to, and with children, if only for the reality he captures.

Munsch's writing is representative of the future of children's literature. His stories are by no stretch of the imagina-

tion fairy tales - the illustrations are real and bright, often based on the actual child who inspired the story. Each tale, taken at face value, is entertaining and funny, but underlying this is a basic lesson on human nature, love and

life. This is a literature that recognizes the intelligence, humor and love in all of us, and Munsch deserves to be recognized as one of Canada's most accomplished authors.

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Meeting the teacher

A parent-teacher conference lets you meet your child's teacher in person to talk about the child's education.

A parent-teacher conference gives you a chance to:

- get to know your child's teacher or teachers
- learn about the school and curriculum
- discuss your child's strengths and weaknesses in various areas
- ask questions
- gives teachers information that will help them understand your child's needs

• work with the educators in planning the child's school year.

Parents can help the process by getting ready for the conference.

Make a list of things that will help the teacher understand your child better. For example:

- any special health needs or problems
- outside interests and hobbies
- feelings about school
- relationship with brothers and

sisters.

Make a list of things you want to find out from the teachers. For example, you may wish to know about:

- services and programs the school offers
- discipline policies
- grading policy
- extra curricular activities
- daily schedule
- homework policy
- health and safety programs.

You can help by giving the teacher any information that will be helpful to understanding your child better. For example:

- Important experiences that may be affecting your child (death in the family, best friend moving away, etc.)
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RECORD it's all about us!

Waterloo hall dedicated to Sister Louis

By Tanya Singfield
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
WATERLOO

Four years ago, the executive committee of the Maison de la Culture in Waterloo proposed to dedicate the exhibition hall situated on the lower level of the building to Sister Louis.

The official inauguration of the "Salle Soeur Louis" was held on Valentine's Day.

Sister Louis is of the order of "les Soeurs de Jesus-Marie", the sisters who ran the Maplewood convent school in Waterloo for many years.

Sister Louis was renowned for her paintings and for the art lessons she gave, not only to the girls at the convent, but to countless other people in the community.

Watercolorist Mary S. Martin said when she was a child, her mother signed her up for lessons with Sister Louis.

"I must have been around 11 or 12 years old and we started out by drawing with charcoal, followed by sketching from life, then using pastels, tempera, and gouache, before finally graduating to oils," said Martin. "I took lessons from Sister Louis for about five or six years, and I really thought I wanted to work mostly in oils at the time."



DAVID ANDERSON

Artists and other members of the community gathered at the inauguration of Salle Soeur Louis at Waterloo's Maison de la Culture.

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A different view of Sister Louis is offered by Waterloo native and former Maplewood student Lorraine Paquette.

"I remember her very well even though I had no interest in art whatsoever," she said. "She was the Sister in charge of the day students and the cloakroom, and she would check each

girl day after day, year after year, to make sure we were properly dressed, hatted and booted and bundled up. She was like a mother to us. I didn't know anything about art, but I could always recognize one of Sister Louis's paintings because of the colors; she seemed to have a special way of mixing them, it was like a signature."

Martin concurs that Sister Louis did have a special way of mixing her palette.

"She taught, or rather dictated, that the students do it the same way," said Martin. "In fact, it's pretty much the way I still do it, with very few changes."

In addition to painting, Sister Louis also produced illuminated manuscripts, an art not widely practised any more and requiring painstaking attention to detail.

To celebrate the inauguration of the hall, there is an exhibition of works by former students of Sister Louis's at the Maison de la Culture in Waterloo. On display are works by Mary S. Martin, Evelyn Blackwood, Rita Bowbrick, Lucie Lalier and Bernadette Lemire.

In her late eighties, Sister Louis is still giving art lessons. Currently living at the convent in Ste. Martine, she was unable to attend the opening ceremonies. A rededication is planned for June.

The exhibit continues until the end of February.

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BRUCE PATTON

Every year, the Sherbrooke Snowshoe Club donates the proceeds from its annual church service to a local organization. This year, Phil Kerwin presented a \$300 cheque to Jackie Loughheed, representing the Lennoxville Elementary School hot lunch program.

Why men grow facial hair To beard or not to beard – that is the question

By Kathy Mercier
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
LENNOXVILLE

They can be fuzzy, furry, scratchy, or soft. Some people love them, others hate them. So why do some men let their facial hair grow? Would they shave if asked?

Facial hair, like beards, mustaches, and goatees, are a very good insulator, helping to endure the cold winter months.

Al Stiles, visiting the area from Kitchener, has been letting his facial hair grow for about fourteen years.

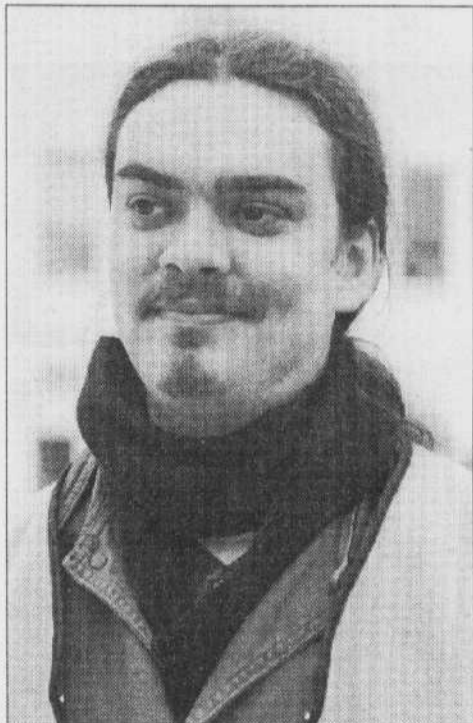
"I usually have a beard in the winter, then shave it in the summer," he said, "but I always keep my mustache."

Stiles said that he would have no problem shaving it all off, but, "I don't know how long I would keep it off." Apparently friends who have seen him both with and without his mustache say that he looks better with a little hair over his lip.

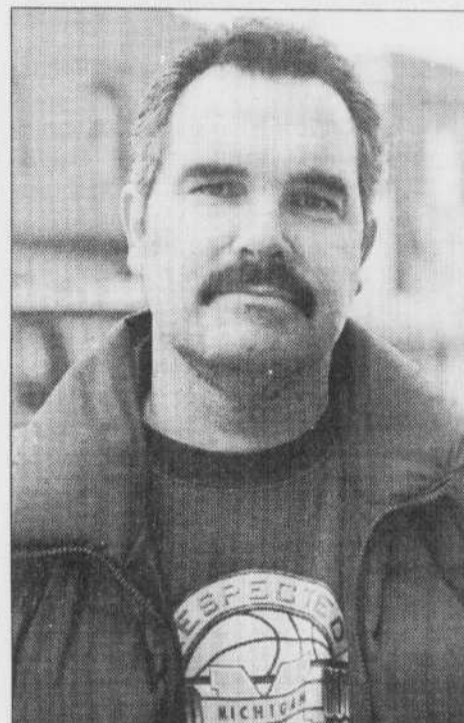
Dave Tipper, of Sherbrooke, started growing his goatee when the mercury started to fall, too. His goatee was also necessary for the play he is doing for Youth For Christ, but come warm weather, it will fall victim to the blade.

"I'll keep it only until spring."

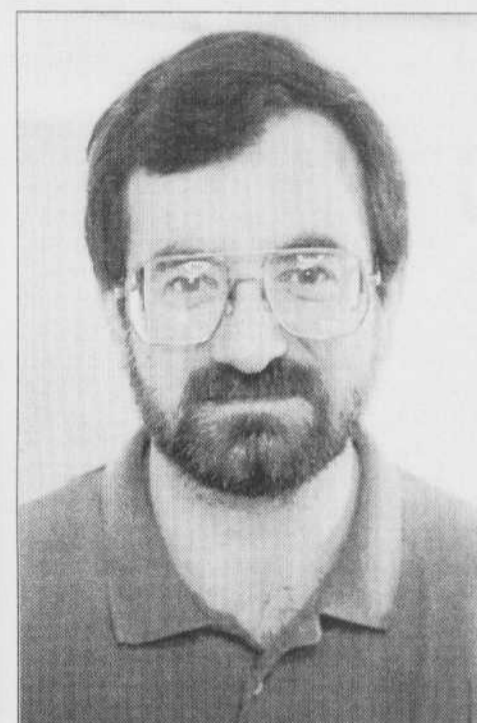
Letting the hair grow is one of the easiest ways for a man to do a makeover. Eric Tremblay, of Montreal, has been sporting his furrer look for only a month and a half.



Michael Wark demonstrates a unique look.



Al Stiles prefers a traditional moustache.



Richard Bubar models a full beard.

"I had one before, and then shaved it when I got tired of it," he said. "I grew it back for a change, something different." Though he would have no problem shaving it off, his wife, Peggy Carrier, might miss it.

"I like it, it suits him."

Being different is the reason that Saturin Kepa started growing his goatee a year and a half ago. Now he's thinking

of going without it.

"It's a change of pace, something new," he said. "But I'm contemplating shaving. It's been a pretty long time with a goatee." This is a daring step for him, since people who have seen pictures of him with a bald face prefer the hair.

Michael Wark, of Lennoxville, has been growing his goatee out of force of

habit.

"I've had it since I was about 15 years old – about 10 years, I guess," he said. "Basically I'm too lazy to shave it off." But if a girl were to request him to shave it, he said he would.

Barry Pepin, who has always had a mustache, started growing his beard in 1992, at the request of his wife, Heather. "It makes him look more manly, not so babyish," she laughed.

Heather's pleasure has become Barry's convenience.

"I hate shaving. It wastes too much time every day," he said. But Barry's mischievous nature might find him shaving again for a while.

"I'd probably shave just to see the response of people, then grow it back."

What is interesting is that while some might think men grow their beards in order to look older, some like their beards because they believe they will look younger.

Richard Bubar, of Lennoxville, grew his beard about four years ago for the change.

"In my case, it makes me look a little younger. At least, that's what I'm told," he said.

Lennoxville barber Terry Beattie, has had his mustache since 1964. Though his wife and daughter like the mustache, he said that he would like to shave it some day.

"It's the change of color that has messed me up," he chuckled.

Beattie, who is in the profession to know, offered his expert opinion on why men grow beards, mustaches, and goatees. It's a case of manliness and scars, he says.

"Guys grow them to be macho, or to hide something."



Peggy Carrier is a big fan of Eric Tremblay's neatly trimmed goatee.

PHOTOS BY KATHY MERCIER

Bishop's feels at home in Ottawa

Mission accomplished by Gaiters

By J.D. Keyes
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
LENNOXVILLE

The Bishop's men's basketball team accomplished its mission on a weekend road trip to Ottawa.

The Gaiters swept both universities from the nation's capital. On Friday, Bishop's beat Ottawa 82-74 while on Saturday they pummeled Carleton 92-65.

"This was a very satisfying pair of wins," said a proud head coach Eddie Pomykala. "We were solid all weekend in all aspects of our play."

We never struggled and it did not seem to matter what combination of players I had out there. Everyone was very intent or getting the job done."

In the win over the Gee-Gees, Bishop's come out on fire. The Gaiters opened an early 8-0 lead and cruised to a 41-32 halftime advantage.

The Gaiters held a 19-point lead with a minute and a half to play, only to have some of their lesser experienced players suffer lapses that made the final score much closer than it actually was.

Stew Clark, playing in his hometown, led Bishop's with a 24-point, 11-rebound effort. Patrice Lemieux had 15

points, while point guard Ryan Thorne had four assists.

"Do not let the final score fool you - we out classed a physically talented team," said Pomykala. "We are on a roll now, with a lot of players starting to understand their roles and properly executing at such a high level."

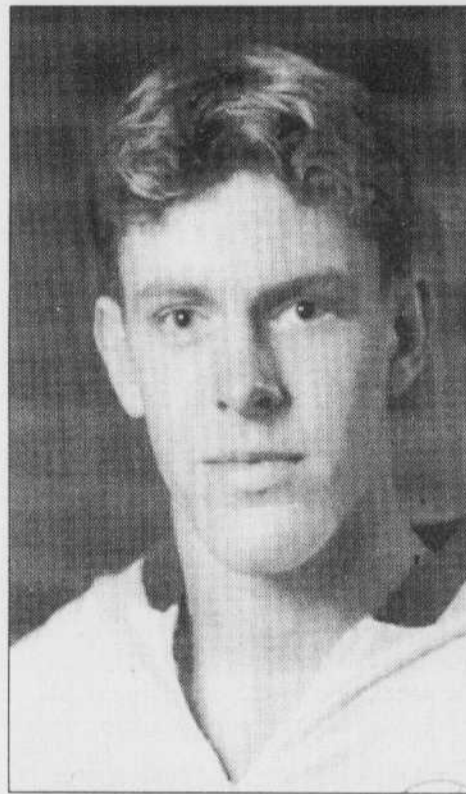
Against Carleton, the Gaiters had an offensive field day. Six players hit double figures, including three reservists. Clark again led Bishop's in scoring with 20 points. Lemieux had 16, Joel Sherbino 13, Sam Rogers and Greg Southward 11 and Jamie Woods 10.

Clark also pulled down seven rebounds, while Ruitter had six. Thorne had six assists and had eight steals in only 18 minutes of play.

"This is what it's all about - playing with great effort and playing together". Pomykala said.

Bishop's league record improved to 13-6, but Pomykala said despite his team's success he does not expect his team to crack the CIAU top 10.

"Although I believe we deserve it, people have not been voting for us," he said. "We can only control how well we play and we've been playing very, very well."



Stew Clark enjoyed a weekend visit to his hometown. He netted 44 points in the two games.

Two BU track members earn national berths

By J.D. Keyes
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
LENNOXVILLE

Two Bishop's track athletes qualified for the national indoor university championships with strong performances at the provincials held in Sherbrooke over the weekend.

Angela Locke and Steve Johnson both won gold medals and earned spots at the nationals which will be held in Windsor March 7-9.

Locke, a Hatley native, won a gold medal in the shot put by throwing it an impressive 11.55 metres. Locke was named the Gaiters-McDonald's Female Athlete of the Week for her accomplishment.

Johnson, who is also wide receiver with the football team, won a gold medal in the high jump. He leaped 1.95m and was named the Gaiters-McDonald's Male Athlete of the Week.

Two Bishop's relay teams, the men's 4x200m and the men's 4x400m, won bronze medals at the meet.

Four Gee-Gees' players notch 66 points

Bishop's women manage to split in capital

By J.D. Keyes
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
LENNOXVILLE

Four players almost single handedly beat the Bishop's women's basketball team Friday night.

The Gaiters let the Ottawa Gee-Gees top four players score 66 of the team's 72 points in a 72-57 game. But the next night, Bishop's bounced back to hold Carleton's starting lineup to 23 points in a 70-43 thrashing of the Ravens.

"I was pretty content with this weekend," said Gaiter head coach Rod Gilpin. "We played hard and did a lot of things

well."

"The Ottawa game was a tough loss but we learned a lot from this game we picked up a lot of intangibles that will help us down the road."

The Gee-Gees were led by Lori Messer, Stella Ighorewo, Karen Bradshaw and Irene Vandoros, who scored 23, 21, 11 and 11 points respectively.

After that, Ottawa had three players with two points and the remaining five players on the team did not score at all.

Bishop's was led by last year's team MVP, Kim Van Vliet, who poured in 14 points and grabbed six rebounds. Cynthia Hitchcock had 12 points while

Grianna Masterson had 11. Masterson and forward Courtney Romkey had eight rebounds a piece, while Hitchcock had four assists.

BEAT CARLETON

Against Carleton, the Gaiters played tough man-to-man defence and got the ball inside to their forwards. Hitchcock led them with 19 points but the 6-foot Van Vliet and the 6-2 Masterson had 15 and 10 respectively. Bishop's had 12 assists as a team, including five by Hitchcock. Romkey and Van Vliet had eight rebounds.

"We had a solid team effort versus Carleton," said Gilpin. "We played at our level. We didn't play down to their level."

Gilpin praised Masterson in particular, saying the second-year player had an excellent weekend, scoring and rebounding wise.

With the split, Bishop's is 5-14 in league play.

"Although we are out of the playoffs and only have one game left, the team still feels upbeat and we're looking forward to a good week of practice and our game at Laval (Saturday)," Gilpin said.

Contrecoeur blanks Coaticook 4-0

Frontaliers recover from loss to down Dragons

By Michael Innes
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
COATICOOK

The Coaticook Frontaliers split their weekend games with a 4-0 loss to Contrecoeur in Coaticook and a 3-1 win over St-Hyacinthe.

The Frontaliers bounced back from their loss Thursday with an important win over the St-Hyacinthe Dragons.

St-Hyacinthe took a 1-0 lead with a power-play goal from Marc Breton less

than three minutes into the game.

Coaticook took charge in the second period scoring all three goals. Frederic Belanger scored the tying goal less than three minutes into the period. Robert Pochyly scored two minutes later and then Michael Gendron completed the scoring with a short-handed goal late in the period.

"In the first period the game looked a

bit like the one the night before. Rotten," said head coach Jean-Pierre Delage "but goaltender Pierre-André Arel was unbelievable in the nets. We owe him the win."

The Frontaliers were never in the Thursday game as Contrecoeur took a 2-0 first-period lead with goals from Sylvain Senecal and François Gaudreault.

Gaudreault scored his second of the



game early in the second period and Francis Nault completed the scoring before the end of the period with a power-play goal.

The Frontaliers end their regular season this week as they host St-Hyacinthe on Thursday at the Gerard Couillard Centre in Coaticook at 8 p.m. before hitting the road to face off with Cowansville on Friday at 8 p.m. The Cowansville Eskimod have already been eliminated from playoff contention.

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Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Micette have returned to the home of Mrs. Edna Lister's, also to their work of running the Luce Home in Sawyerville, after spending three weeks in Florida.



Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1997

Situations or arrangements you manage for others could reap extra benefits for you in the year ahead. Handle these affairs with the same attention to detail you give your own.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be a good listener today, as well as a person who keeps his or her eyes open. There is a chance you might learn something that could offer you a second source of income. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your best course of action today is to assume a middle-of-the-road position. Do not support any conflicting factions; whichever side you choose could be wrong.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The longer you postpone things today, the more difficult they will be to do later. You know what needs doing and why, so don't dodge your duties.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Forgo pretenses of being something you're not today. Your friends like you for who you are. If it is good enough for them, it should be good enough for you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Do not dilly-dally over something that should be brought to a conclusion today. It will eventually have to be finished and this is as good a time as any to do it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Instead of telling an associate what you think he or she would like to hear, you could be more helpful if you deal only with the facts. Be forthright.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) This is a good day for you to work on your finances and your budget. Look closely, you should be able to get more mileage from them.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You will be better-off today not delegating things you're capable of doing yourself. Being self-sufficient will bolster your pride and self-worth.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Instead of making outright suggestions to someone today, offer your advice in a manner that will make this person feel he or she came up with the idea.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Avoid political intrigues today and don't play favorites with your friends. Being impartial will help you garner allies instead of enemies.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) In order to fulfill your ambitions today, you will need to be more assertive. Being wishy-washy could deprive you of victory.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You might be more of a thinker today than a doer. Be careful not to spend all your time making plans, only to discover it's too late to act on them.

In Memoriam

CHEAL - In loving memory of George Cheal who passed away February 25, 1981.

MARGARET
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AND FAMILY
Cochrane, Alberta

LAWLOR, Harold (Halo) - In loving memory of a cherished husband and brother who passed away February 25, 1996.

Peacefully sleeping lie one of the best, In God's beautiful garden now at rest. Those we love don't go away They walk beside us every day. Always remembered and sadly missed by

RUTH (wife)
CEDRIC (brother)
DORIS (sister)

MACRAE - In loving memory of my dear parents, David and Ethel MacRae, Mother February 25, 1988 and Dad April 9, 1983.

As time unfolds another year Memories keep you ever near. Silent thoughts of times together Hold memories that will last forever. Lovingly remembered by

JANIE (daughter)
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HOLLY & JANNA-MARIE
(great-granddaughters)

LOVE

Love is a morning sunrise,
Love is the rain that falls,
Love is an evening sunset,
Love is the stranger who calls.

Love is an April shower,
Love is the warmth of a summer day,
Love is the hidden sunshine,
Love is that chases tears away,

Love is a bolt of lightning
Streaking across the skies,
Love is the tender warmth
I see within your eyes.

Love is the grass that's growing, blue
as the sky above,
Soft as a wind that's plowing
All these things are love,

Love is a morning sunrise,
Love is the rain that falls,
Love is an evening sunset,
And I'm the one who calls.

Taken from Roger Whittakers' song "Love"
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Deaths

CAMBER, Leslie Amos - On February 23, 1997, peacefully after a long illness, in hospital in Edmonton, Alta., in his 80th year. Formerly of Fitch Bay and Rock Island. Beloved husband of Iris Molway. Father of Diane (Michael Jones) and Wayne. He leaves to mourn his grandchildren, his sister Phyllis Courtemanche (Bernard Galipeau), his brothers Hugh (Joyce Phillips) and Donald (Huguette Lacroix) and many nieces and nephews. Upon his return from World War II and before moving to Alberta, Mr. Camber was manager of the A & P store in Rock Island and later worked as Customs Officer, also in Rock Island. An intimate funeral service will be held at a later date.

HANNA, Donald - Donald Hanna passed away last Sunday afternoon, February 23, 1997 in Cowansville. Loving husband of the late Peggy Lunn Hanna. He was a man full of grace who will be fondly remembered by his family, as well his dear friend Sonja Luthi who provided him with such comfort until the end. He'll also be greatly missed by his friends on the ham radio circuit. Visitation one half hour before memorial service on Thursday, February 27, 1997 at 2 p.m. from the chapel at the Desourdy Wilson Funeral Home, 318 Knowlton, Rd., Knowlton, Que. JOE 1V0. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his name to the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, would be appreciated.

MAINE, Ivan - At the hospital in Manchester, N.H. on Monday, February 17, 1997. Beloved husband of Edith (Owen). Loving father of Dale and Dawn. Ivan will be sadly missed by many, many friends.

MILLER, Lily Elizabeth Cotton - At Auburn, Maine on February 21, 1997. Lily, age 95, daughter of the late Edwin and Wilhelmina Cotton of Sherbooke. Beloved sister of Myrtle (Rolland), Spencer, Georgetown, Ont., Harold (Hilda), Fort-Frances, and Margaret. She was predeceased by her sisters Violet Munday, Rose Knight, Pansy and brother Charles, her husband Albert Miller and son Douglas. She leaves to mourn two sons, Edward (Antoinette) of Florida, Ronald (Priscilla), Winthrop, Me., daughter Evelyn (Robert) of Auburn, Me., 19 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews.

Deaths

SMITH, Bertha E. Montgomery (nee Cox) - At the Connaught Home, North Hatley, Que., on Monday, February 24, 1997, formerly of Lennoxville and North Hatley. Beloved wife of the late Frederick A. Smith and the late Hart A. Montgomery. Loving mother of Roger (Helen) Montgomery of Sandwich, Ma., Diane (Lawrie Devitt) of Charlottetown, P.E.I., Jane (Rick Kidney) of Nashville, Tn., Richard (Lisa) Montgomery of Sydney, Australia, and Hugh (Louise) Montgomery of Montreal, Que. Loving step-mother of Helen Montgomery and Audrey Marchlensky. Dear grandmother of Warren and Cara Montgomery, Hart, Martin and Craig Devitt, Alison and Geoffrey Kidney, Lindsay Montgomery, Kimberly and Nicholas Montgomery, and great-grandmother of Rachel, Kathleen and Katelyn Montgomery. Special aunt of Alan (Helen) Cox. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sister Marion and twin brother Walter. Resting at Cass Funeral Home, 6 Belvidere St., Lennoxville, Que., where friends may call on Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m., and Wednesday from 1 to 2 p.m., followed by the funeral service at 2 p.m. Canon Heather Thomson officiating. Interment in Malvern Cemetery. As memorial tributes, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or the charity of your choice would be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

WINSLADE, Rita (nee Camiré) - At the Lakeshore General Hospital, on February 22, 1997. Beloved wife of Robert Winslade. Dear mother of Mary (Ian Bruce), Alice (Ken Turner), Sandra (Eric Porter) and Rita. Loving grandmother to seven grandchildren. Dear sister to Robert, Cecile and Georgette. Visitation at Collins Clarke MacGillivray White Funeral Home, 222 Highway 20 (Exit 49 Cartier), Pointe Claire, on Thursday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral service at St. Veronica's Church, 1300 Carson Ave., Dorval, on Friday, February 28 at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Cancer Society would be appreciated.

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Mable Boyce
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Mae Godbeer is back in her home after a knee replacement in the BMP Hospital and a stay in Knowlton House while recovering. Rosa Mailloux is also back home after a fall that put her in the BMP and a recovery period at the Mont Echo Home in Knowlton.

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Younger woman wants to be mom

Dear Ann Landers: I'm a divorced mother of two. My ex-husband married a young woman who had never been married before or had any kids. I always invite "Vanessa" to come with my ex-husband to my daughters' birthday parties, but she has yet to say one word to me. It's as if I don't exist.

Here's the problem. Vanessa is constantly overstepping her bounds with my children. For example, a few days ago, she decided my oldest daughter, who is in the sixth grade, needed to start shaving her legs and helped her do it. She also keeps cut-

ting my girls' hair in whatever styles she wants.

I've spoken to my ex-husband about this, but he doesn't think Vanessa is doing anything wrong. We've been to mediation over some of our areas of disagreement, and the mediator has told Vanessa she should respect certain boundaries, but she goes back to doing whatever she wants. The final straw was when she volunteered to be a room mother for my youngest daughter's class. That really burned me up.

How do I handle this? The woman is really getting to me. — ANNOYED IN TEXAS

DEAR TEXAS: Vanessa may be a bit ham-handed, but she is trying to develop a closer relationship with her stepdaughters, and you should not resent it.

Most second wives seem more glamorous to children than their own mothers. (They are usually younger.) Sometimes, a new wife will cozy up to the kids to get their approval and make points with the new husband.

Don't compete. Stay in the background, and refrain from making any critical remarks. When the novelty wears off, things will settle down.



ANN LANDERS

Dear Ann Landers: After reading the warning signs of cancer in your column a few months ago, I felt compelled to add a comment.

With the prevalence of managed health care today, please tell your readers to insist that a newly discovered mole be removed or demand to be referred to a specialist. Do not accept the diagnosis of a general practitioner that such a mole is of no consequence and can be safely ignored.

We attended our beloved son's memorial service last month, and it is a virtual certainty that he would be

alive today, enjoying his beautiful 7-month-old daughter, if the general practitioner he saw last year had removed the new mole when my son first discovered it. When the mole was finally removed six months later, it was discovered to be malignant — a Stage 4 melanoma.

My son knew the chances for survival were extremely slim — less than 1 percent — despite treatment with interferon, interleukin and chemotherapy. He tried everything, but in the end, it didn't matter. It was too late.

Not all preferred health providers are trained to recognize melanoma. Friends in the medical community share our opinion that such tragedies will occur more often with the prevalence of managed health care and the efforts to control costs. Corners are cut, and often, the patient gets short shrift.

I hope our son's tragedy can help save a life. Please warn your readers — MARY AND BOB IN EUGENE, ORE.

DEAR MARY AND BOB: My heartfelt condolences on the loss of your son. The voice of experience speaks louder than anything I might say. Thanks for an excellent letter. It could save lives.

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The kind is alive — for now

By Phillip Alder

Here is another deal, like yesterday's, in which the position of a key spade honor was critical. It occurred during the 1985 European Championships in Salsomaggiore, Italy. The declarer was Frenchman Michel Perron, possibly the quietest-ever world champion.

North's jump to three no-trump was aggressive, but in a team event it pays to bid game.

West led the heart four: queen, three, seven. Perron continued with dummy's diamond nine: queen, ace, five. Now declarer played the diamond jack: three, six, king. East led back the heart nine. West taking the trick with the ace and returning the heart two. (True, it would have been better defense for West to duck his ace.) Perron cashed dummy's diamond eight. East discarding a low spade.

Perron paused to assess the situation. There were seven tricks on view: one spade, two hearts, three diamonds and one club. A second spade trick could be set up. And probably a second club trick generated. However, things looked grim. Assuming West wasn't falsecarding, he had started with five hearts and held the club king. (Without the club king, he definitely would have withheld his heart ace at trick four.) So, declarer needed three quick spade tricks.

Could East be down to the doubleton king of spades? No, because he was known to have started with only five red-suit cards. He had an easy club discard available if necessary.

There was only one chance: Perron led a spade to his ace. And, yes, as you can see, the king did come tumbling down. Incredible!

St. Paul's Guild and A.C.W. meeting

The February meeting of St. Paul's Guild was held in the Parish Hall on the regular date at 10:30 a.m. There were 10 members, one visitor and the Rev. Canon Ron West present.

The meeting was conducted by the president Serena Wintle, with prayers by the Rev. West and a scripture reading.

After routine business had been taken care of, plans were discussed for the World Day of Prayer which will be held in St. Paul's Church on Friday, March 7. A special service will

also be held in our church on Sunday, March 16, for the Commissioning and Induction of a new ministry in our newly aligned Parish of Eaton Dudswell Victoria. The Lord Bishop of Quebec Bruce Stavert will be present for this service. Plans were also discussed re a St. Patrick's Day afternoon card party in the parish hall on Monday, March 17.

Canon West gave an interesting description of his recent trip to Saskatchewan, where he visited several small parishes, a great distance

from one another. He told of the hardships these churches are enduring, much more than here.

The meeting closed with prayer and the Benediction, and all sat down to a delicious pot luck dinner, joined by a couple of husbands. The afternoon was spent by several quilting on a quilt that had been on the frames since last month. The quilt is now completed and for sale.

The winner of the drawing for the tablecloth which was held at the Brunch on Sunday, February 9, was Archie Nelson.

Compton County Historical Society meets

At a recent meeting of the Compton County Historical and Museum Society held in Sawyerville, the following tentative program was drawn up for 1997.

March 14: Irish Variety Show, Bulwer Community Center, 8 p.m.

April 20: Brunch, Bulwer Community Center, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

May 24: Heritage Dance, Bulwer Community Center, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

June 14: Official Opening and Lawn Party Museum, Eaton Corner, 1:30 p.m.

July 20: Hymn Sing, Museum, Eaton Corner, 7:30 p.m.

September 20: Fall Cavalcade, meet at Museum, 9:30 a.m.

Oct. 17: Annual meeting and supper, Sawyerville Community Center, 6 p.m.

Happy birthday

Love and best wishes are extended to Harria, Mrs. K.R. MacLeod, of the Sherman Residence, Scotstown, Que. who will be observing her 99th birthday on February 27.

The Compton County Historical and Museum Society is a non-profit organization. Our museum at Eaton Corner, Que., will be open to the public Wednesday to Sunday, June 11 to August 31, and weekends throughout the month of September.

Our board of directors is President,

Vestry meeting held

COMPTON — The annual vestry meeting for St. James Church, Compton was held on Saturday, February 8 at the home of Richard and Delma Fowler.

A service of Holy Communion preceded the meeting, conducted by Canon Curtis Patterson.

Due to the absence of Janet Shepherd, Sue Nichols acted as Vestry Clerk today.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Our church organ is still not repaired, Russell will look into this.

The Town of Compton wants to run a water-line through the church property, from Cochrane Road to the Coat-

Edward Laberee; 1st Vice Pres., Karrold Lindsay; 2nd Vice Pres., Peter Banks; Secretary, Gary MacDonald; Treasurer, Bernard Hodge; Membership, Elaine Lebourveau; Directors: Keith Bennett, Wells Coates, Norma Humphrey, Gerald Lowd, Susan Nutbrown, George Pinchin, Nina Rowell, Jennie Spaulding, and Serena Wintle.

cook highway. No decision has been reached as yet.

It was a good financial year for all the Greater Parish, with all churches meeting their obligations.

We are hoping to hold several fundraising events this year, dinners, teas, card parties, raffles, etc.

Officers remain the same as last year. Rector's Warden, Russell Nichols; People's Warden, Robert Shepherd; Treasurer, Delma Fowler; Synod delegate, Sue Nichols; Alternate delegate, Genevieve Shepherd.

Adjournment was moved by Russell Nichols. Lunch was served by the ladies.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another. Today's clue: O equals M

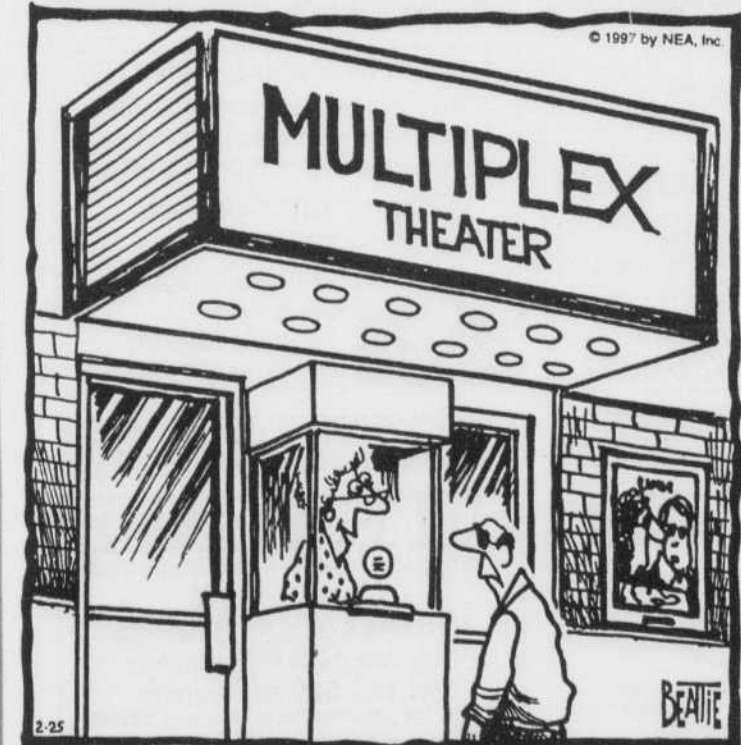
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PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "An atheist is a guy who watches a Notre Dame-SMU football game and doesn't care who wins." - Dwight D. Eisenhower.

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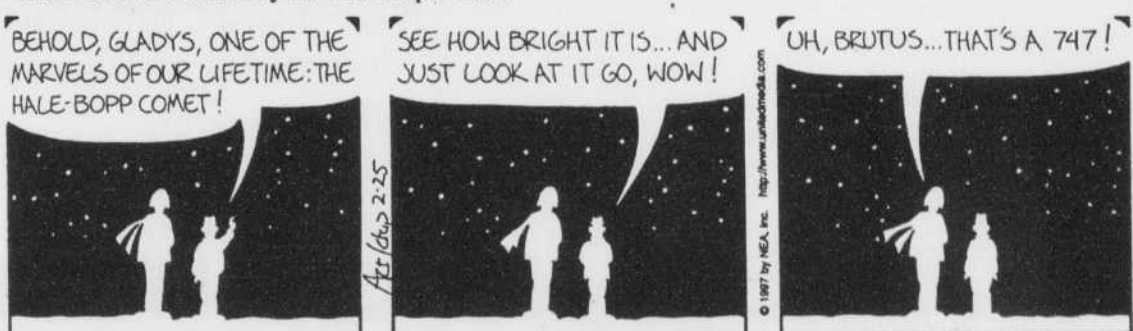
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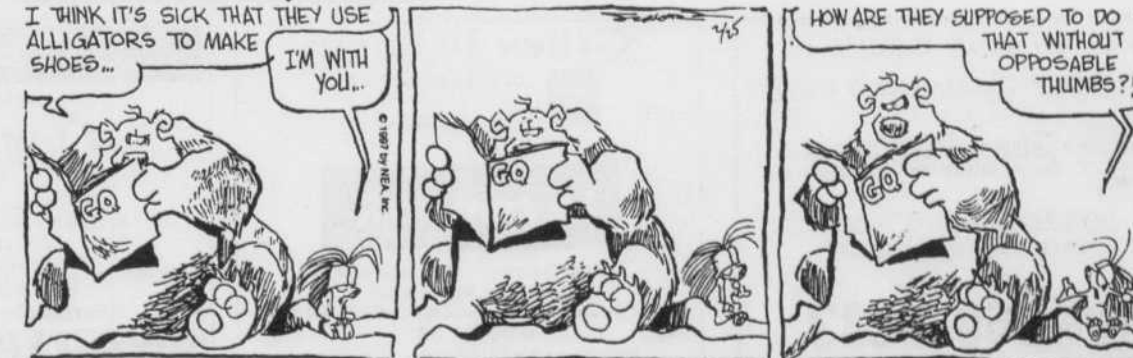
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Women's Institute meeting

The Abercorn W.I. held regular meetings in January and February. Due to a small membership everyone kept their jobs. Pauline Wilkins, President; Pat Lahue, Secretary; and Frances Spratt, Treasurer. Convenorships will be the same but each member can bring in any article etc. to make it more interesting.

Finishing touches were put to the program book and Frances is to make them on the computer. Due to rising cost in county fees it was passed to raise fees to \$5.00.

A thank you note was read from Marion Lahue for the Christmas gift given her and also a letter from Molly Christmas wishing them the best in the new year. Coffee and snacks were served midway through the meeting. Meeting ended with grace.

February 4: Members met at the home of Pauline Wilkins. Valentines were handed in for the roll call and these to be sent to Ethel Hagerty, Ethel and Thelma Riddell, Gladys Payne and Marion Lahue.

Program books all made. Financial statement read.

Mary Riordon the newest member gave us an account of her trip along with a gift of spices in handwoven purses. She said she thanked God every day that she lived in America as the toilets left much to be desired plus having to also drink bottled water. Flea market planned for June 14 with all members donating an article for the raffle. At the end of the meeting the hostess served soup, bread, crackers and cheese plus cake, cookies and squares for dessert. Next meeting March 4 at Arlene Rogerson's.

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Card party held

A very enjoyable evening was spent on February 15 at the home of Ron and Roberta Clark in Sherbrooke, when a Valentines card party was held with cards being played at seven tables, proceeds for St. James Church in Compton. Prize winners were as follows: Ladies first, Mildred Holliday;

consolation, Mary Paige. Men's first, Gordon Humphrey; consolation, Pat Howe, playing as a man.

Door prizes were won by Ed Bryant, Irene Humphrey, Gertrude Watson, Sue Nichols, Vivian Cox, Archie Nelson and Russell Nichols.

Gertrude Watson won the prize for the secret score.

Winners of raffle prizes were: a hand-made wooden clock, won by Pat Howe; box of groceries, Yvon Chenard; hand-made cushion, Danny Bryant; doilies, Delma Fowler; coasters, Elvera

Patterson.

Delicious refreshments were served by the ladies.

Many thanks to everyone who gave food, prizes, etc. or helped in any way to make this so successful. Special thanks to Genevieve Shepherd, and to Ron and Roberta Clark.

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