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School board's out for the summer

By Matthew McCully

Last week the Eastern Townships School Board Council of Commissioners held its last meeting until the beginning of the next school year.

New appointments

On the agenda were a number of administrative appointments for the upcoming year.

Barbara Plouffe has been appointed Principal 100 per cent at Parkview Elementary School.

Tracey Harding has been appointed Principal 50 per cent at Ayer's cliff Elementary, Principal 40 per cent at North Hatley Elementary, and the remaining 10 per cent of Harding's mandate will be special projects.

Martin Vigneux was appointed Centre Director 75 per cent of the Brome-Missisquoi Adult Education Centre, and 25 per cent special projects.

A variety of positions remain to be filled for the coming year. They are listed on the ETSB's website under the Job Postings tab.

School fees class action

The Quebec boards involved in the

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Bishop's Bridge to open to one lane tomorrow



By Matthew McCully

While motorists were looking forward to the opening of one lane of the Bishop's Bridge as of July 1, the MTQ explained that extreme heat and the fact that work involved soldering, Phase 2 of the bridge repair was delayed.

According to MTQ media representative Dominique Gosselin, the new deadline to open one lane of the bridge is

tomorrow, July 5.

The bridge is expected to open completely, with all weight restrictions lifted, on July 12, Gosselin added.

Gosselin pointed out that the dates set for completion of the different work phases were always estimations, subject to change. The recent heat wave played a role in the delays over the weekend. While the workers on site had been on a 12-hour work schedule, the decision was made on Thursday, given the heat

and the soldering work, that the crews required more breaks to ensure their health and safety.

As far as the schedule as a whole, Gosselin said the contract with the company building the bridge to complete the work doesn't end until July 15.

If all goes according to the new plan, the bridge will open to one lane this Thursday, and open completely the following Thursday, July 12.

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LOW OF 9



SUNDAY:
CLOUDY PERIODS

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HAND-IN-HAND

Foundation hosts uplifting luncheon

By Brenda Hartwell (TRCF Board Member and volunteer)

On March 23rd, Townshippers' Research & Cultural Foundation (TRCF) hosted their annual Grant Giving Luncheon in Magog at St. Paul's United Church Hall. Founded in 1986, TRCF is a non-profit organization with the mission to promote the well-being of our community through the solicitation and administration of gifts and bequests from donors.

Each year TRCF grants funds to local organizations and grassroots initiatives with worthy projects in the the fields of health and social services, arts and heritage, youth, education and research. To date, TRCF has given away over one million dollars to initiatives that improve the quality of life for those who live in our region.

The Grant Giving Luncheon was an uplifting event. A luncheon of savoury pies, salads, carrot cake and ice cream was prepared and served by TRCF's board of directors. This was followed by the distribution of cheques, and grant recipients shared a brief description of their project.

TRCF President, Jane Loiselle, said, "Each year we are impressed with the range of projects and the passion of community leaders and volunteers, who devote their time and energy for the betterment of their community. Our luncheons give us the opportunity to meet these people. It also provides a space for people from different parts of the Townships to network and share best practices. It's inspiring."

This year cheques were distributed to the following 25 initiatives:

Avante Women's Centre (Bedford)

To encourage English-speaking women to expand their cultural experiences by participating in group outings.

Bibliothèque Lennoxville Library

To continue Family Story Night.

Borderline Players (Stanstead)

To provide quality live entertainment and cultivate creative arts.

Cinema Potton (Mansonville)

To provide films in both official languages.

Hillhouse Cemetery (West Bolton)

To preserve a heritage site.

The Lennoxville-Ascot Historical and Museum Society (LAHMS)

To complete an important update of their inventory and photographs.

Knowlton Academy

Educational experience for students as they continue to grow their garden.

Knowlton Literary Festival

9th annual English-language literary festival.

Le Phare, Source d'entraide (Cowansville)

"Art Hive" promotes intergenerational interaction, creativity, skill sharing & recycling.

Harmonie des Saisons (Granby)

To present critically acclaimed live performances in the region.

Maison de la Famille des Frontières (Bedford)

To provide support for English-speaking parents of children 0 - 12 years old.

Mental Health Estrie (Sherbrooke)

To provide a guest speaker, supplies & activities for Peer Support Group.

Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (Mansonville)

Discipline, focus, exercise for youth through boxing techniques.

Musécolo (Sherbrooke)

Benefit concert showcasing work of Canadian songwriters to equip music programs in ET schools with instruments.

Musée Copps Ferry (Canton Stanstead)

To catalogue and preserve archival artifacts.

Phelps Aide-Phelps Helps (Stanstead)

Free tutoring in French, encourages bilingualism, improves employability.

Pleins Rayons (Cowansville)

Training young people with intellectual disabilities to become employable workers.

St. Patrick's Society (Richmond)

To support the parade, a cultural event that helps create a sense of pride.

Stanstead Agricultural Society (Ayer's Cliff)

Documentary film and YouTube video about the history & role of the Ayer's Cliff Fair.

Stanstead Mental Health Support Group

To provide a social outing to reduce isolation and to encourage social integration.

Uplands Cultural & Heritage Centre (Sherbrooke)

English Tea traditions—to create an interpretation exhibit, "Steeped in Tradition," and offer school workshops.

Yamaska Literacy Council (Cowansville)

Moving to Learn\Learn to Move: to address factors related to stress & anxiety that impact a student's learning.

T.A. YOUth Townships (Sherbrooke)

To support economic, entrepreneurial, educational & social opportunities for newcomers and youth.

Townshippers' Association C & C

To promote creativity through art, music & drama & promote cultural exchanges.

Townshippers' Foundation exists with your support! Any form of support from a one-time donation to long term commitment is invested back into the community. In fact, 90% of your donations support Townships-based projects with the remaining 10% covering administrative costs, a smaller percentage than most large Foundations. All donations are tax-deductible.

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LOCAL NEWS

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Sherbrooke's "open sky gallery" expanding

By Gordon Lambie

Although perhaps best known for its circuit of murals portraying scenes for the city's past, Sherbrooke is host to a wide range of outdoor sculpture and paintings. Lovers of public art will be pleased to know that the city's collection is expanding this summer, with new works having recently unveiled and more on the way.

In late June two new murals were inaugurated in the city on the same day. The first, in the Borough of Brompton, is a ten by fifteen foot frame on the side of the borough office wall depicting scenes from the history of the community. Entitled, "Bromptonville, d'hier à aujourd'hui" (Bromptonville, from yesterday to today,) the work by artist Nicolas Lareau includes the face of Onésime Lambert,

one time mayor of the town, as well as the Saint-Praxède Church and the Saint-Francis Mills, among other landmarks.

The second work unveiled that day is visible on the wall of the art gallery of the University of Sherbrooke's cultural Centre and depicts imprisoned Saudi blogger and honorary citizen of Sherbrooke, Raif Badawi. The work is a reproduction of an original painting by Louis Robichaud and Badawi.

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Serge Malenfant, President of the M.U.R.I.R.S. collective that paints the murals, said that the timeline for the com-

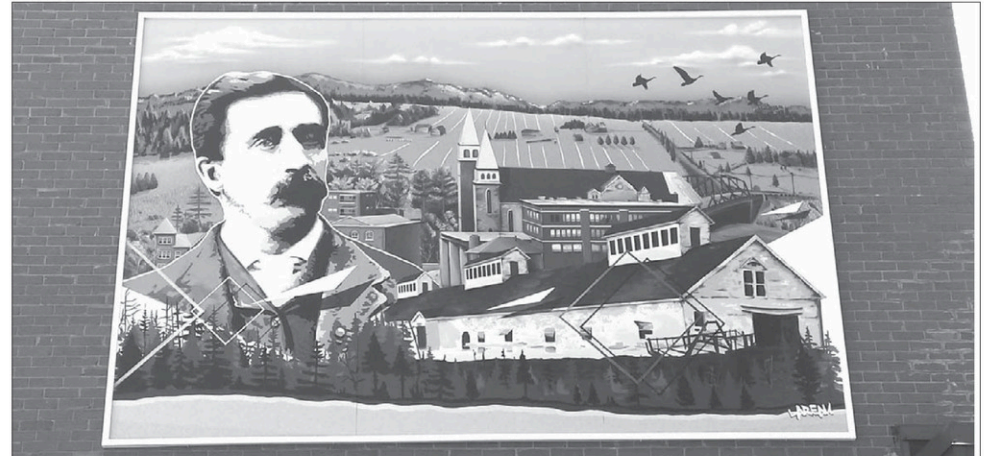
pletion of this newest addition has been pushed back a bit by the hot weather.

"The wall is too hot," Malenfant said. "It changes the composition of the paint."

Despite the delay, the President said that he expects the work to be complete by the end of July or the beginning of August. In the mean time, the view through the scaffolding offers a rare opportunity to see the artists at work recre-

ating lifelike moments from a once bustling part of the downtown core.

In addition to these static, two-dimensional artworks, the city's new "Mural Mosaic" circuit of sculptures made out of living plants is set to be inaugurated this morning. Created through the hard work and planning of the city's horticultural team, the new works will be focused around the Lac-des-Nations area.



GORDON LAMBIE



GORDON LAMBIE

The newest of Sherbrooke's historical murals is currently in progress on the north wall of the SAQ building downtown.



COURTESY UNIVERSITE DE SHERBROOKE

Sherbrooke Cégep signs partnership agreement for cannabis production training

Record Staff
SHERBROOKE

The Cégep de Sherbrooke and MYM Nutraceuticals Inc. have formed a partnership agreement for the development of training activities for company staff who will work on the production of cannabis for medical purposes.

Under the agreement, MYM Nutraceuticals inc. promises to retain the exclusive services of the Cégep de Sherbrooke Continuing Education Center to develop and offer customized training and study programs leading to an attestation of college studies (AEC) in the field of production, management, and laboratory techniques related to the production of cannabis for medical purposes. The agreement is valid for five years, from July 1, 2018 to December 31, 2023. The company will provide the Cégep with physical and technical re-

sources in Weedon at the future Canna-Centre to conduct training activities.

For the CEO of MYM Nutraceuticals, Rob Gietl, the signing of this agreement with the Cégep de Sherbrooke is part of his company's desire to develop its workforce using the educational resources of the community: "We are pleased to be able to count on the Cégep de Sherbrooke's Continuing Education Center to develop appropriate training for our future employees, particularly in the context of programs leading to an AEC."

MYM Nutraceuticals announced last week that work on its project to build 15 100,000-square-foot greenhouses in Weedon had begun and the project also plans to start construction of a multi-functional building in the near future, including a research center, a training center for its staff, a museum, a hotel, a restaurant and a medical clinic. The \$200 million investment project will create 400 direct jobs.



COURTESY

From left to right front, Cégep de Sherbrooke D-G Marie-France Bélanger, MYM Chair Erick Factor, MYM CEO Rob Gietl; and (ear, l to r) Cégep Director of Continuing Education and Services Éric Fernet, and MYM Project Head Fabian Garcia.


THE PET CONNECTION




Jen Young

It's summer. And I don't mean that like it's some kind of newsflash, I mean it is definitely summer with a vengeance; 39 degrees in the shade. As hard as this heat, humidity and thunderstorms can be on a human, imagine on your pet.

When we get summer temperatures like we are expected to have all week long, it is very important to keep a close eye on your pet, but especially if they are not in tip top shape. Adjusting to heat and humidity takes conditioning, like it does with us. Being a little over weight, being on any kind of medication, being old, being young, can be a recipe for disaster for your pet if an owner is not precautions.

-Long walks should be reserved for early morning and evening. Not only is it cooler, but the pavement is not as hot. Hot pavement on an animal who has sensitive paws (pink paws as opposed to black paws are more sensitive to heat and cold) can cause blisters and burns.

-Water is crucial in this heat. Lots of it. Not cold water, cool water. When an animal is too hot, drinking cold water can induce a state of shock to its system. Always make sure water is cool.

-Shade. Try and keep to the shade with your pet. Just like children, while out swimming in the sun, they don't notice the heat as they get caught up in the fun, but even swimming while in direct sun light can create a heat stroke.

-Keep your cats in the coolest room of the house you can.

IF YOU THINK YOUR DOG OR CAT HAS HEAT STROKE

-Move your pet to a cool area immediately. Under a fan is the best.

-Put cool (not cold) wet towels on its neck, armpits, between legs and put cool water on their ears and paws.

-Give them lots of cool (not cold) water to drink. If they don't want to drink but will still eat, try some cool rice with added water, or canned food with added water.

-If your pet is lethargic, experiencing a seizure, unresponsive, go to the vet as soon as possible.

Aside from heat stroke being a very serious and common occurrence in this type of summer heat, also common is anxiety due to the thunder storms that this melange of humidity and heat bring. As well as anxiety to fireworks seen in summer vacation months. If your pet suffers from anxiety, which can take days to subside, you can try the Naturpet Home Alone product. I have used it numerous times and am very

satisfied with its results. It is all natural and help calm the nervous system. It is a product that should be used, and can be without any risks, throughout the summer months. Good for anxiety due to a number of issues and we have it at

Blue Seal. Remember, as great as summer is, it can come with some real dangers if not careful. Have a safe and COOL summer.

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Magog extends beach hours due to heat wave

Record Staff

Due to the overwhelming heat wave, the City of Magog has extended the opening hours of the water games at the Ouest and Des Cantons beaches until Thursday, July 5.

Located in the Baie de Magog Park, the Ouest and Des Cantons beaches will be open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The water games at Horan Park (275 Bowen St.) and Hautes-Sources (479, 18th Avenue) will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Air-conditioned public areas like the Memphremagog Library, shopping malls, and cinemas are also places where one can avoid excessive heat, the City suggests.

The City is also encouraging people, particularly those at risk, to follow prevention advice in extreme heat.



(VILLE DE MAGOG)

The City of Magog is helping people beat the heat by extending operating hours of its beaches and water games

Magog signs agreement with school crossing guards

Record Staff

The City of Magog and the Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 5342, signed a first collective agreement on Friday, covering school crossing guards for a six-year period from May 2017 to December 2023.

"The guards play a considerable role in ensuring the safety of schoolchildren, however, their atypical work schedule, a few hours a day from September to June, presented some challenges in terms of work organization," said Lyne Dubé, Director of Human Resources for the City of Magog. "The bargaining process has resulted in fruitful exchanges. The proposed solutions meet the needs of the union. On the employer's side, we are making sure to maintain the quality of

service offered to children, while managing costs and retaining a qualified workforce."

The parties agreed on an average wage increase of 2.1 per cent per year. This first collective agreement also provides for a fixed work schedule, financial security with a guaranteed income spread over 180 days a year, and paid social leave.

"The negotiations took place with a shared desire to conclude a first collective work contract adapted to the work reality of our group" said Union President Jean Marquis.



(COURTESY VILLE DE MAGOG)

(Front row: l to r) Union President Jean Marquis, Deputy Mayor Nathalie Bélanger, and Magog Human Relations Director Lyne Dubé, Rear: Union advisor Alain Sévignac, Administrative Assistant Linda Robert, Crossing guard Johanne Gaudreau, and City Manager Jean-François D'Amour.

School board

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school fees class action have come to a settlement agreement, subject to approval by the court.

A hearing has been scheduled with the Superior Court in Chicoutimi on July 18 to approve the settlement, which would see the 68 school boards included in the suit pay out a total of \$153,507,134.00 to the parents of students who attended school between 2009-2017.

The breakdown would be around \$24 per student per year once costs and legal fees are deducted from the settlement.

Parallel to the class action settlement was a recent decree from the Minister of education deposited in the National Assembly in early June, specifying the activities and supplies school boards are allowed to ask parents to pay for.

Drummondville gets a grant to expand

While the ETSB was pushing for a new school in Drummondville, the government opted instead to provide the board with \$6 million in funding to expand the footprint of the existing school to accommodate the growing student population.

Chairman Mike Murray, appreciative of the grant, pointed out that the ex-

pansion possibilities at Drummondville Elementary are limited and in the long run a new school will likely still be needed.

School budgets approved

The budgets for the different schools and centres were approved at last week's meeting. The ETSB operates with a total annual budget in the vicinity of \$86 million.

New history books

The controversial Secondary 3 history books will be withdrawn from classrooms and replaced with new texts with enhanced content.

Chairman Murray explained that the enhanced content will focus more on the contributions of Aboriginal people.

School board elections postponed

Following the adoption of Bill 185 in the National Assembly, the school board elections scheduled to take place this coming fall have been deferred until 2020.

This is the second consecutive mandate that has been extended. The last school board elections, which took place in 2014, were originally scheduled for 2011. At the time, only four of the 11 seats required elections. The other seven seats and the position of chairman were re-elected by acclamation.

In the previous 2007 election, only two seats were contested.

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EDITORIAL

American historian Francis Fukuyama's landmark 1992 volume, made the case that, barring inevitable periodic slippage, humankind was entering an era of political enlightenment.

Canadians wondering how Trump trade war plays out



PETER BLACK

The convenient thing about history is we generally know how something began and how it ended.

We generally know dinosaurs evolved and then were wiped from the planet by the impact of a giant asteroid. We know the Roman Empire rose and fell over the course of 1,000 years. We know a failed artist seized power in Germany and wrought death and destruction on the planet before the combined might and will of other nations put an end to that.

We know the Cold War emerged from the end of the Second World War then more or less came to an end with the rise of democracy in Eastern Europe and the collapse of Soviet totalitarianism. By the 1990s, based on these developments, sage observers were ready to declare the inevitable triumph of liberal democracy as one by one, the people rose up to put an end to tyrannical and autocratic regimes.

American historian Francis Fukuyama's landmark 1992 volume, made the case that, barring inevitable

periodic slippage, humankind was entering an era of political enlightenment. He later updated his thesis to take into account the rise of religion-based terrorism and the emergence of Russia and China as powers on the world stage.

Which brings us to the current historical cliff-hanger - how does this Trump thing play out? We all know how it began - on an escalator at Trump Tower in June 2015 - but no one knows where this is going, and certainly not how it will end.

For Canadians, who happen to share a border with a United States steadily becoming unrecognizable, a U.S. president who was entertaining at best, and appalling at worst has now become a malevolent entity whose actions will almost certainly have a tangible and possibly very costly effect on jobs and well-being in the Great White North.

With the launch of an inexplicable trade war, everywhere you go now, poolside, at a barbecue, at sports events, in the supermarket aisles, people are now talking about Donald Trump with a loathing that's replaced condescending mockery. What makes it even harder for Canadians to understand - and swallow - is that as much as the nations he is attacking are outraged, on home turf Trump has never been so popular. He's polling sky-high among Republicans, and even in the wake of the drama of immigrant children being separated from their families, scores in the mid-to high-40s in job approval.

This raises the spectre of something as unthinkable, from a Canadian per-



spective, as Trump being elected president in the first place - that he will win a second term in 2020. (All those har-rumphing, look west to Ontario Premier Doug Ford).

Filmmaker and liberal activist Michael Moore, as close to the white, working class as any Democrat, predicted Trump's 2016 victory, and he's predicting a repeat in two years. Bill Maher, host of HBO's and a long-time foil of Trump, sees an even more dramatic scenario, with Trump finding the means, with a compliant Congress, to extend his stint beyond two terms, as he has mused in seeming envy of other world leaders with unlimited mandates.

There is, of course, another spectre out there, this one haunting Trump. As the multi-tentacled investigation headed by special counsel Robert Mueller forges onward, the possibility exists that the president may not even

get to finish his first term.

Yet, with Trump about to announce his choice for a Supreme Court justice replacement, locking in a conservative majority on the high court for years to come, fate may have handed him the ultimate weapon to defend his presidency. Trump, his Republican devotees and Fox News commentators have already prepared the groundwork to challenge Mueller's probe as unconstitutional.

And so it goes, as the lamented, world-weary author Kurt Vonnegut enshrined in the cultural vocabulary. This will be a special Fourth of July for Canadians and Americans alike as the two countries, such enduring and reliable friends and inseparable business partners, stare into a future of extraordinary uncertainty.

What will history make of the Age of Trump?

Richmond PQ choose Véronique Vigneault

Record Staff

More than 150 Richmond county Parti Québécois members gathered on Thursday to formally se-

lect Véronique Vigneault as their candidate in the upcoming provincial election.

"I am committed to putting my heart and energy to the service of Richmond's

people and communities; to defend their ideas and interests, to fight for my region and its needs, so that we have our fair share and our autonomy in the development of our territory," Vigneault said in her acceptance speech, vowing not to change who she is in pursuit of political office.

A former frontline worker and young entrepreneur at the Social T, and current Regional Director of crowdfunding service La Ruche Estrie, Vigneault concluded her speech by saying that she wants to "build a better tomorrow."

Parti Québécois deputy-chief, Véronique Hivon, explained to the audience that, "Véronique must absolutely be elected on October 1, because we

need a person like this in the national assembly. She combines competence, experience, determination, and humanity. Wherever she goes, she has proven that she is able to gather people around her, make a difference, and carry out the projects for which she is responsible. That's what the people of Richmond need, that's what we need in Quebec, to serve the people well, fight against cynicism, and give politics back its nobility."

Vigneault will tour the constituency to meet citizens, communities, and socio-political actors throughout the summer in order to champion the issues and needs expressed when the time comes for the election this fall.

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Biggest names are off the market, but work still to be done by NHL GMs

By Kyle Cicerella
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The NHL draft is in the rearview mirror and the biggest names are already off the free-agent market, but that doesn't mean there isn't more work to be done by general managers before training camps begin in September.

Here is one glaring question that each of the seven Canadian teams need to address before next season.

MONTREAL CANADIENS _ Who is going to be their top-line centre?

General manager Marc Bergevin missed out on signing any of the league's big-named centres and found himself going back to Tomas Plekanec, who got his wish to return to Montreal after being dealt to Toronto at last season's trade deadline. The 35-year-old is far from the player he once was and, while adding depth, doesn't give the Habs the much-needed top-six centre they need. Bergevin also signed depth centre Matthew Peca, who has spent most of his career in American Hockey League. The front-runner for the job likely remains Jonathan Drouin, who struggled to adapt to playing centre for most of last season. Jesperi Kotkaniemi hopes he can fill the void after the club used the third pick in the first round of the NHL draft to select the 17-year-old centre.

OTTAWA SENATORS _ Where will captain Erik Karlsson be playing come fall?

The list of issues currently affecting the Senators is a long one, but right at the top is the drama that has circulated around Karlsson. Senators general manager Pierre Dorion made a contract offer to Karlsson on Sunday. Whether it does anything to clear up the star defence-

man's future remains to be seen. The captain's name figures to remain in rumours as long as he does not ink an extension with Ottawa as he will become an unrestricted free agent next July. The Los Angeles Kings signed defenceman Drew Doughty to an eight-year, US\$88-million contract last Friday and that could be a negotiation point for Karlsson. Dorion would not disclose any details about discussions with the two-time Norris trophy winner and seems to understand he would never hear the end of it if he let Karlsson walk away without any return.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS _ How will they find a much-needed top-pairing defenceman?

The signing of star centre John Tavares on the first day of free agency instantly turned Toronto into a team to pay attention to, but all the offensive power the club has will be for not if the Leafs can't find the right pieces to solidify their defence core. New GM Kyle Dubas has six regular defencemen returning this year, with Roman Polak leaving for the Dallas Stars. Included in those six is 21-year-old Travis Dermott. It's too early to predict if he can go from bottom pair to minute eater at this point of his career, but the club will be looking to get more from him in 2018-19. Dubas has some other players internally that will get a second look at training camp, including Swede Calle Rosen and Russian Igor Ozhiganov. Recent first-round picks Timothy Liljegren (2017) and Rasmus Sandin (2018) aren't likely to be the answer just yet.

WINNIPEG JETS _ What will it cost them to re-sign their restricted free agents?

The Jets are a solid squad with four lines of depth up front and a talented

blue line, but it is going to cost GM Kevin Cheveldayoff some money to keep them together. While the core of Winnipeg's crew is under contract and the club has a fair amount of cap space to work with, the Jets still need to reach an agreement with defencemen Jacob Trouba and Josh Morrissey, as well as goaltender Connor Hellebuyck. All three will be due a raise after last season's contributions. Trouba is coming off a two-year, US\$6 million deal while Morrissey's entry-level contract worth 1.36 million per season has expired. Hellebuyck, fresh off a Vezina-candidate season, will demand more than the \$925,000 he made on his entry-level deal. The Jets should have no problem inking all three to new deals, but will have to keep funds available for their next crop of RFAs _ Patrik Laine and Kyle Connor _ next off-season as well as an extension for captain Blake Wheeler.

CALGARY FLAMES _ Have they done enough to solve their scoring woes?

Brad Treliving has been one of the busier GMs this off-season already with the hiring of a new coach, a blockbuster trade and the signing of sniper James Neal to a five-year, \$28.75 million deal on the second day of free agency. It'll now be up to newly hired coach Bill Peters to right the ship after Calgary missed the playoffs for the seventh time in nine seasons. Neal can either slide right into Calgary's top line alongside Johnny Gaudreau and centre Sean Monahan or play second line with centre Mikael Backlund and Matthew Tkachuk. Peters will have some options with recently acquired winger Elias Lindholm being the other option on one of those two lines.

EDMONTON OILERS _ Who will help out Connor McDavid?

Cap space is working against GM Peter

Chiarelli as he attempts to get the Oilers back to the post-season after a disastrous 2017-18 campaign. With very little money to spend on free agents that could play alongside arguably the best player in the league, Edmonton brought 34-year-old centre Kyle Brodziak back to his home province and signed forward Tobias Rieder when unrestricted free agency opened on Sunday. McDavid found some success with Ryan Nugent-Hopkins at the end of last season, but Nugent-Hopkins and his \$6 million annual salary always seems to end up in trade rumours and may have to be moved to free up money. If Chiarelli can't clear space for a quality player, he will have to cross his fingers that 20-year-old Finn Jesse Puljujarvi has a breakout season in his final year of his entry-level deal.

VANCOUVER CANUCKS _ Will toughness win out over talent in an attempt to be competitive?

GM Jim Benning said the Canucks were looking to round out a group of young talent with experience and grit when the NHL's free-agency period opened, and he followed that up by signing centre Jay Beagle and winger Antoine Roussel to four-year deals worth an average of US\$3 million per year. Vancouver lost the faces of its team, and a large chunk of skill, when Henrik and Daniel Sedin announced they wouldn't be returning this season and Benning hopes his new acquisitions can also bring leadership for the youth like Derek Dorsett did before ending his career in November due to spinal issues. A wild card heading into the season is winger Brendan Leipsic, who can also bring fire to the lineup while adding some offensive flare if he's able to crack the roster full time.

Boris Bede named CFL Payer of the Week

The Canadian Football League announced that international kicker Boris Bede was named amongst the league's players of the week.

The 28-year-old native of Toulon in France made all five of his field goal attempts on Saturday night, helping his

team win its first game of the season, against the Saskatchewan Roughriders, in Regina. His longest three-point kick was made from 45 yards out.

The former Université Laval standout also greatly contributed to his team's victory by helping it win the field position

battle. The Alouettes started their drives on average from their own 44-yard line, while the Roughriders started theirs on average from their own 37-yard line.

He maintained an average of 67 yards on four kickoffs and 45.8 yards on ten punts. Bede also made two important

special teams' tackles, including the one on the very last play of the game, which confirmed Montreal's victory.

Edmonton Eskimos running back C.J. Gable and Hamilton Tiger-Cats quarterback Jeremiah Masoli were the other players of the week.

Canadian Eugenie Bouchard advances to second round at Wimbledon

The Canadian Press

Eugenie Bouchard is off to the second round at Wimbledon.

The Canadian beat British wild card Gabriella Taylor 6-0, 4-6, 6-3 on Tuesday. A native of Westmount, Que., Bouchard qualified for the main draw with three wins last week.

A finalist at Wimbledon in 2014, Bouchard was forced into qualification after seeing her ranking tumble to No. 191 before the tournament. The 24-year-old is now ranked 188th. Taylor is No. 180.

Bouchard returned to Grand Slam main draw action at Wimbledon after failing to qualify for the French Open. The win was just her second in the past

four years in the main draw at Wimbledon.

Bouchard will face No. 17 seed Ashleigh Barty in the second round. The Australian beat Stefanie Voegele of Switzerland 7-5, 6-3 on Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Vasek Pospisil of Vancouver lost 6-4, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3 to Mikhail Kukushkin of Kazakhstan in a first-round men's match on Tuesday.

Kukushkin is ranked 77th, 20 spots ahead of Pospisil, who has lost his past five first-round matches at Grand Slams.

Denis Shapovalov of Richmond Hill, Ont., the No. 26 seed, was scheduled to face Jeremy Chardy of France later Tuesday.

Milos Raonic of Thornhill, Ont., is expected to play his second-round match on Wednesday.

Death



**Sylvia Goodsell Hartley
(1943-2018)**

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Sylvia Goodsell Hartley at the CSSS Memphremagog, on July 2, 2018 at the age of 75. She was a loving wife to the late Lyle Hartley and daughter to the late Claire Thayer and the late Herbert Goodsell.

She leaves to mourn her children Michael (Daphne), Cathy (Doug) and Wayne (Cindy). She was predeceased by her son Terry (Lynda). She will be sadly missed by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a sister to the late Beth (Late Lewis Dubois), late Christine Laro, late Rick and the late Pat (Johanne). She was a sister-in-law to Cedric (Sharon), Alcide and the late Leland (late Maude). She also leaves many cousins, nephews, nieces, other relatives and friends.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, July 7, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the Crystal Lake Cemetery.

The family wishes to thank Susie Adam of the CLSC, Dr. Masse and the staff of the Palliative Care unit of the CSSS Memphremagog for the excellent care provided to Sylvia.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Crystal Lake Cemetery, 2250, Curtis Rd, Stanstead, QC, JOB 3E0, would be appreciated by the family.

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**Hazel McComb White
(1928 - 2018)**

Hazel McComb White passed away peacefully at the Wales Home on March 12, 2018 at the age of 89, formerly from Stanstead. Loving wife of the late Delmar White and dear daughter to the late Robert Hugh McComb and the late Mary Smith.

Hazel leaves to mourn her sons Gordon (Nancy Jameson) and Robin (Lorraine MacLeod); her grandchildren Erin, Sean (Alexandra), Nicholas, Joshua and great-grandson Forrest. She was a sister to the late William, Helena (late Earl Banfill), Late Beatrice, Dorothy (late William Pope), Darlene (late Viateur Gobeil), Pauline (Erwin Ticehurst), Bernice, (Alan Suitor), Chester (Joan), Howard (Susan), Ruth, Geraldine (late Claude Dubois), Walter (Louise) and Dyanne (Sefton Osborne). She will be missed by many other relatives and dear friends.



Visitation will be held at the Cass Funeral Home, 545 Dufferin, Stanstead, Qc, on Saturday, July 7th, 2018 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. A funeral service will follow at the funeral home. Interment of Hazel's and Delmar's ashes will follow at the Crystal Lake cemetery in Stanstead.

The family wishes to thank the many caregivers at the Wales Home for the wonderful care provided to Hazel.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Wales Home Foundation, 506, Rte 243, Cleveland, Quebec, JOB 2H0, would be appreciated by the family.

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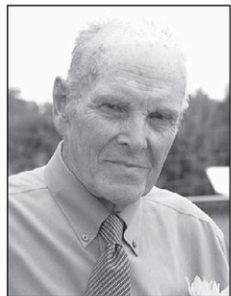
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**Sherman YOUNG
(1928-2018)**

Peacefully at the BMP Hospital, on Saturday, June 30th, 2018, at the age of 89, passed away Sherman Young, devoted husband of the late Norma Whitcomb. He leaves to mourn his children, Robert (Eliza), Russ (Marlene) and Whitney (Ivan), his grandchildren, Britney (Kevin) and Meghan (Yanick), several nephews, nieces, other relatives and numerous friends. Family and friends will be

welcomed on Friday, July 6th, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, July 7th from 11 a.m. at the Désourdy Funeral Home, 101 rue Jean-Besré, Cowansville, QC J2K 0L3.

A Masonic ceremony, prayers and a eulogy will be held at 1 p.m. from the chapel. Interment will be at the Abbot's Corner Cemetery in Frelighsburg, followed by a reception at The Pinnacle Farm.

The family would like to thank the kind and professional staff at BMP Hospital, and also to extend a thank you to the kind and sweet staff and residents of the Villa Des Monts.

Donations can be made in his memory to The Abbot's Corner Cemetery, and would be appreciated. Forms available at the funeral home.

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**Blanche Dempsey French
(1926-2018)**

Passed away on Sunday, July 1, 2018 at the age of 91. Beloved wife of the late Aubrey French. Dear mother of Brenda (Ross Thomas). Cherished Grandma to Aaron (Patricia Fontaine) and Meagan (Dominic Vachon) and great grandma to Stella Vachon, Eva Thomas and Finley Vachon. Blanche was predeceased by her sister Mildred Dempsey (Ronald Nourse). She leaves to mourn her 2 special nieces Carol French (Dave Rainville) and Nancy Nourse, along with many other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

A graveside service will be held at the Eaton Cemetery on Thursday, July 5, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.

Donations to the Sawyerville U.C.W. c/o Wendy Mackay, Clifton Rd., Sawyerville, QC JOB 3A0, would be appreciated.

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**Ruth Harvison
(Née Lamothe)
1938-2018**

Passed away peacefully, on Wednesday,

June 20th, in Magog, QC, at the age of 80. Wife of the late Donald Harvison Sr., loving companion of 15 years to Philip Côté, daughter of the late Léon and late Minerva Lamothe.

She leaves behind her seven children, Carolyn, Wendy, Donald, Elaine, James, Stephen, Kevin and their spouses, her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, sister of Marge, Pete, late Christine, Léon Jr. and Barbara, nephews, nieces and friends. Family and friends will be welcomed at the Désourdy Funeral Home, 4 Vale Perkins, Mansonville, QC on Saturday, July 7th, opening at 1 p.m. A chapel service will be held at 2 p.m., followed by the interment at Mansonville Protestant Cemetery. Rev. Judy Ball officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory to the Canadian Cancer Society www.cancer.ca would be appreciated (forms available at the funeral home).

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**Norman MOSS
(1945-2018)**

Passed away peacefully at his home in Ogden surrounded by his family on June 23, 2018 at the age of 73. Beloved partner of Maureen Ivess, husband of the late Shirley Carbonneau and son of the late Elmore Moss and the late Daisy Carbonneau.

He was a loving father to Bradley and to the late Brent. He leaves his brothers and sisters Rita (Bill), Raymond (Claire), Marcia (late Peter) and Larry; his nephews and nieces: Krista, Jeff, Scott, Late Barry, Chastidy, Shannon (Larry), Heidi, P.K., Victoria, Kathy-Sue (Mike) and Bill. He was considered as a grandfather to Luke and Emma. He also leaves many other nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

A private graveside service will be held at a later date.

Donations to the Diabetes Foundation, 600, Woodward, Sherbrooke, QC, J1G 1W3, <http://www.diabete-estrie.ca/>, or to the Crystal Lake Cemetery Company, 2250 Curtis Road, Stanstead, QC, J0B 3E0, would be appreciated by the family.

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Today is the 185th day of 2018 and the 14th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1776, the Second Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence.

In 1826, founding fathers John Adams and Thomas Jefferson both died on the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

In 1960, the modern version of the American flag (with 50 stars) debuted at a ceremony in Philadelphia.

In 1997, NASA's Pathfinder space probe landed on Mars.

In 2012, the discovery of Higgs boson-like particles through experiments at the Large Hadron Collider was announced at the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN).

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: George Everest (1790-1866), surveyor/geographer; Nathaniel Hawthorne (1804-1864), writer; Stephen Foster (1826-1864), songwriter; Calvin Coolidge (1872-1933), 30th U.S. president; Eva Marie Saint (1924-), actress; Neil Simon (1927-), playwright; Al Davis (1929-2011), Oakland Raiders owner; George Steinbrenner (1930-2010),

New York Yankees owner; Geraldo Rivera (1943-), TV personality.

TODAY'S FACT: Renowned advice columnists Eppie Lederer and Pauline Phillips, known as Ann Landers and Abigail Van Buren ("Dear Abby") respectively, were twin sisters, born on this day in 1918.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1939, New York Yankee slugger Lou Gehrig, who was suffering from amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, announced his retirement at Yankee Stadium, delivering the famous line, "Today, I consider myself the luckiest man on the face of the Earth."

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The greatest obstacle to being heroic is the doubt whether one may not be going to prove one's self a fool; the truest heroism is, to resist the doubt; and the profoundest wisdom, to know when it ought to be resisted, and when to be obeyed." — Nathaniel Hawthorne, "The Blithedale Romance"

TODAY'S NUMBER: 1,000 — approximate number of "Gorilla Sign Language" signs in the working vocabulary of Koko, a female lowland gorilla born on this day in 1971.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (June 27) and last quarter moon (July 6).

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Dentures don't need to be an impediment to a balanced diet



ASK THE DOCTORS
By Eve Glazier, M.D.,
and Elizabeth Ko, M.D.

Dear Doctor: I know I need to eat more vegetables, but because I have dentures, I can't chew them well enough to swallow easily. I have particular problems with celery, lettuce, oranges and tomato skins. If I were to "masticate" them in a food processor, would I still get the benefits, or would the processor

blade destroy too many cells?
Dear Reader: We see you're familiar with two indisputable facts when it comes to living with dentures: First, the way they function is different from our original teeth. Dentures rely on a seal to stay in place, so you have to be careful about the types of foods you eat. Texture (think nuts or steak or seeded breads) and the angle of attack (like an apple or corn on the cob) can wreak havoc on both the seal that keeps the dentures in place, and sometimes the dentures themselves. Second, these challenges don't have to be a barrier to the foods you want to eat. As your question illustrates, a bit of creative problem solving can add to the diversity of the foods in your diet.

While there's a certain logic to the idea that using a food processor to chop or mince or emulsify a food can adversely affect its nutritional content, the good news is that's not the case. What appliances like food processors

and blenders do first and foremost is to alter a food's texture and, of course, its appearance. And let's agree that we're not talking about juicing here. That's the process in which the liquid content of a food is extracted and the resulting pulp, the food's fiber content, is left behind. That's an entirely different process with outcomes that merit a separate discussion. (Drop us a line if you're interested.)

Digestion begins the minute food enters the mouth. Teeth pulverize the bite into smaller pieces and particles and mix it with saliva, all of which jump-starts the process of dismantling the food on a chemical level. The lion's share of the work of breaking down the bonds between food molecules takes place after you swallow, carried out by powerful enzymes in the stomach, and trillions of friendly bacteria in the intestines. What you're proposing is to get a head start on the chewing process with the help of a food processor.

Depending on the blade you use, you can slice, chop, pulverize or puree.

The act of slicing, chopping or pureeing food doesn't change its nutritional value. However, once a food is broken down, the nutritional clock does start ticking. That's because a wide range of nutrients found in vegetables and fruit are sensitive to air and light, as well as to heat. When you put an item through the food processor, it's a good idea to eat it the same day. Wrap any leftovers tightly and refrigerate.

In general, remember to chew on both sides of your mouth when you're living with dentures. Dental adhesives can help when a saliva seal proves inadequate. As you've shown, with preparation and imagination, dentures needn't be an impediment to a balanced and interesting diet.

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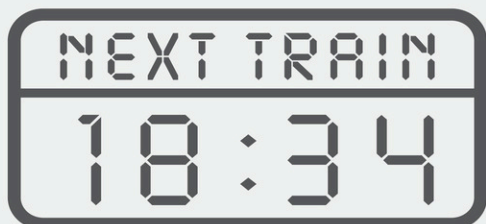
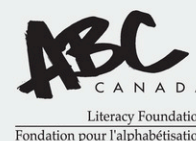


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by Luis Campos

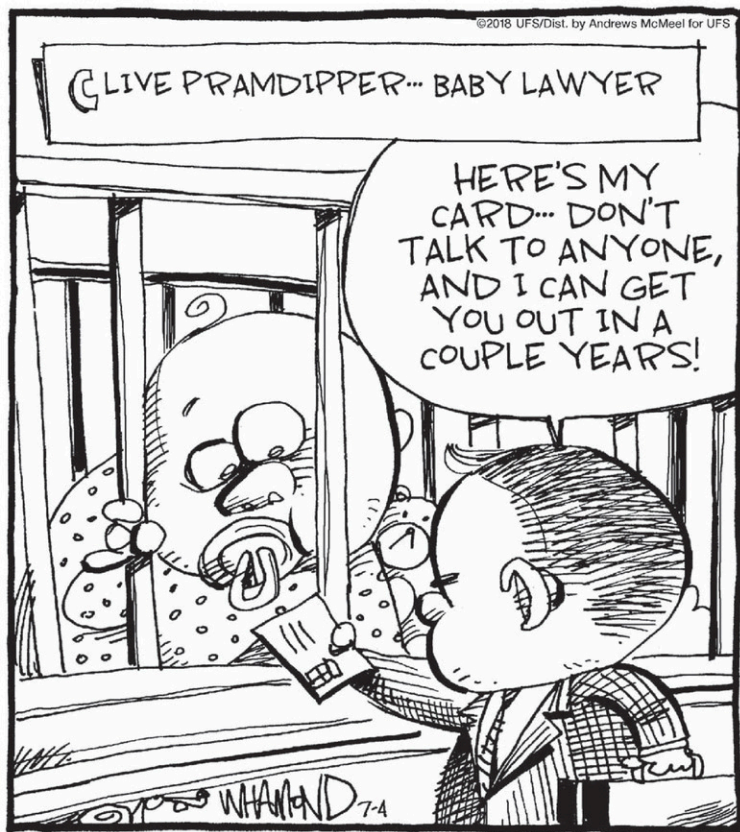
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TODAY'S CLUE: *d sraebA*

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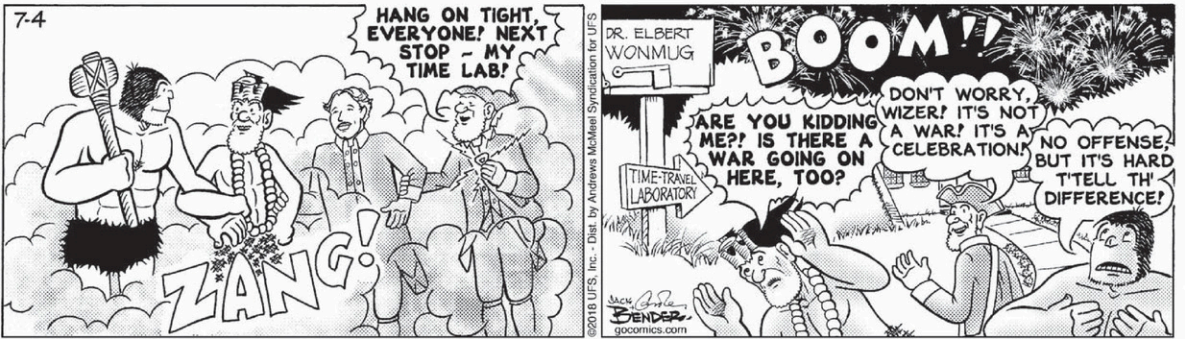


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“If you're gonna teach him water comes from hydrogen and oxygen, I also want him to know he can get it from the kitchen.”

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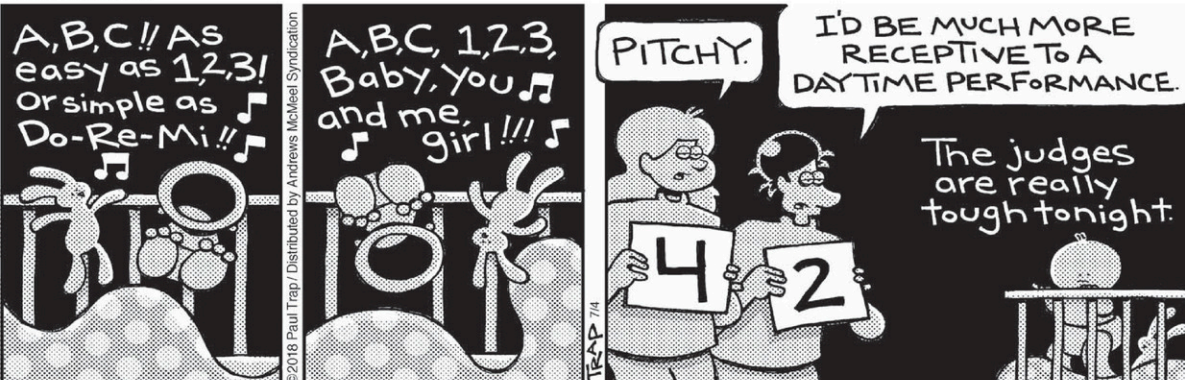
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Fordyce Branch Women's Institute

On June 6, 2018 the members of Fordyce Branch W.I. met in Emmanuel United Church hall for their regular monthly meeting beginning at 1:00 p.m. President Norma Sherrer welcomed everyone especially our guest speaker Barbara Jack, June Royea's niece Dora Lewis and was pleased to say that Judy Walker had decided to become a member. Norma then read the following poem:

Dust if you Must

Dust if you must, but wouldn't it be better to paint a picture or write a letter, bake a cake or plant a seed? Ponder the difference between want & need? Dust if you must, but there's not much time with rivers to swim and mountains to climb! Music to hear and books to read, friends to cherish and life to lead. Dust if you must, but the world's out there with the sun in your eyes, the wind in your hair, a flutter of snow, a shower of rain. This day will not come around again. Dust if you must, but bear in mind, old age will come and it's not kind. And when you go and go you must, you, yourself, will make more dust.

Remember, a house becomes a home only when you can write "I love you" on the furniture...

The Mary Stewart Collect and

Salute to the Flag was repeated by all, and O Canada sung.

"Happy Birthday" was also sung to June Lamey (1st), June Royea (6th), Michilynn Dubeau (12th) and Louise Smith (27th).

Motto for the Month was: "Aging is inevitable, growing old is optional".

Roll Call: Five senses: touch, taste, hearing, smell, sight. Which of these brings back your memories most sharply?

Minutes of the May meeting were accepted as read by Michelynn Dubeau replacing Secretary June Lamey, who was absent.

Business arising from minutes was discussing the flea market to be held on the 30th of June at West Brome.

Correspondence: Two thank you letters were read from Heroes' Memorial School for Branch support.

Treasurer's report was presented by Elizabeth Milroy and accepted. All bills have been paid.

Michelynn Dubeau read June Lamey's report of the 104th QWI Convention. There will be a dedication of the Cairn and the bench at Heroes' School in August. The guest speaker spoke of the many problems that young women have in many countries once a month.

They cannot attend school, have no proper products to use which often causes

infection and sometimes live alone in a hut during this time. A group of women in Canada are making kits providing necessities to send to these countries.

Four members of Fordyce are now on the Executive of the Provincial W.I. President Elizabeth Milroy, Secretary Norma Sherrer, Agriculture Paulette Mahannah and Michilynn Dubeau Publicity and Awareness, which makes the members of Fordyce very proud.

Under new business the July meeting picnic to be held at the park was discussed.

Health and Community Living Chairperson, Edwina Bougie introduced guest speaker Barbara Jack, who spoke on the right to receive medical services in English, and encouraged us to speak up if we felt English services were not being provided. She also spoke to us about Lyme disease and how to protect ourselves, and when in doubt to be checked by a medical professional as soon as possible. Edwina thanked Barb and presented her with a gift.

As there was no further business, Coins for Friendship were collected and Grace was said. The members then retired to enjoy refreshments. During the luncheon Happy Birthday was sung again to June Royea, who was presented with a cake and a bouquet of flowers, celebrating her 90th birthday. Also at this time, the

drawing took place. The winners are as follows: Plaque - Lise Jones, Cushion - Claudine Rehel, Cookie Jar - Bella Matus, Afghan - Linda Hoyt, and the quilt, handmade by Mary Jones, was won by Steve Dupras.

A Chuckle - After Joe retired he decided that after years of working and saving his money, he deserved to treat himself to something special. He decided to buy a BMW and when he had completed the necessary work to buy it, drove it off the lot. Going down the highway, he could not believe how happy he way with the wind blowing through his hair. So he was not paying attention to the speed that he was going until he heard a siren and looking in his rear view mirror saw that a policeman was trying to catch up to him. He pulled over and the policeman said "Do you know how fast you were going?" "Yes," said

Joe. "Well," said the policeman, "This is my last shift for the day. If you can give me a good excuse as to why you were going so fast. I won't give you a ticket." "Well," said Joe, "Years ago my wife ran off with a policeman and when I heard the siren and saw you, I thought that he was bringing her back."

Until next time,
 Evelyn Beban Lewis (Publicity)

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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HOW TO PLAY:
 Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.



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NEA Crossword Puzzle

Your Birthday

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2018

Don't lose sight of your goals. A steady pace and a tight budget will lead to victory. Don't allow anyone or anything to lead you astray.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — The past will offer you the answers you are looking for. Similar experiences will offer insight into how best to bring about positive change as you ward off negativity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Take the high road and be cognizant of what others are asking of you. If expectations are unrealistic, say so and counter with what's acceptable. A forward approach is encouraged.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Make personal finances a priority. Clear up pressing matters and ease stress that could lead to mistakes or ill health. Walk away from any negative implications you face.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Get involved in the process if you want things done according to your specifications. Speak up, listen and formulate your plans appropriately. Celebrate your accomplishments with someone special.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Acceptance will make it easier for you to rectify a problem. It's time to set positive plans in motion. Recollect certain experiences to help you make better choices now.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Personal improvements will give you a boost. Trust in what you think looks best or is in your best interest, not in what someone bearing ulterior motives suggests. Good choices will come from within.

If you get involved in group efforts, it will enrich your life. The people you meet and the opportunities that you encounter will change your outlook and your perspective. Dream, explore and implement the changes that excite you most.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — An open and receptive attitude will encourage others to offer valuable information that can help you improve your life. If you try something new, positive change will take place.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Keep your life simple to avoid excess and argumentative situations. Getting along with others will be difficult but necessary. Practicality and moderation will be required.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Participate in life and meet new people. The experiences you encounter will change the way you do things. Someone quite different from you will spark your interest with an unexpected offer.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Do your best to help others if you want to ward off criticism. Use your knowledge, intelligence and physical ability to bring about changes that will benefit a cause you believe in.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Slow down and smell the roses. Live in the moment and enjoy what's readily available. Look for obscure prospects that stimulate you to use your skills and talents in diverse ways.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) —

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- ACROSS**
- 1 C-3P0 or R2-D2
 - 6 Fixed corn
 - 12 Diadems
 - 14 Stick fast
 - 15 "Seinfeld" role
 - 16 Noisy fan
 - 17 Authorizes
 - 18 Ill temper
 - 19 — Andreas Fault
 - 21 Happy sighs
 - 23 Speck
 - 26 — take forever!
 - 27 Ms. Thurman of film
 - 28 Choir voice
 - 30 Show disapproval
 - 31 Brut
 - 32 Campaign topic
 - 33 Fill with
 - 35 Frontier's — Carson
 - 37 Clean-air org.
 - 38 Pay cash
 - 39 Kind of system
 - 40 Checkers side
- DOWN**
- 41 9-digit no.
 - 42 Before, in combos
 - 43 Cousteau's summer
 - 44 Festive night
 - 46 Mr. Buchwald
 - 48 Dinner course
 - 51 Estimated
 - 55 Furry engineer
 - 56 Win over
 - 57 Shady nooks
 - 58 Arm-raising muscles

- 7 Smell
- 8 Fly-catching birds
- 9 Hamster, maybe
- 10 Sooner than anon
- 11 "The," to Wolfgang
- 13 Oscar's street
- 19 Crushes underfoot
- 20 Mud bricks
- 22 Cyber crook
- 24 Coin-slot word
- 25 Wig cousin
- 26 Nile wader
- 27 Drew on
- 28 Longtime Balkan leader
- 29 Pored over
- 34 Daunt
- 36 Glacial epoch (2 wds.)
- 42 Equals
- 43 Liszt opus
- 45 Swerve
- 47 McNally partner
- 48 Diminish
- 49 Opposite of "paleo"
- 50 Playing marble
- 52 Hair-styling goo
- 53 Wolf, say
- 54 Rx givers

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2018

On Independence Day, freedom of thought

By Phillip Alder

First of all, I wish all American readers a happy Independence Day.

Ambrose Bierce, in "The Devil's Dictionary," defines "mad" as "affected with a high degree of intellectual independence."

In today's deal, declarer is dependent on taking 10 tricks to make his four-spade contract. What should he do after West starts with two top hearts?

North was in an unenviable position when West overcalled one heart. He did not want to bid one no-trump with only jack-third of hearts; to raise to two clubs with two trumps was out of the question; and his hand was light to respond two diamonds, especially with such a weak suit. He compromised by making a negative double, which promised four spades.

The original declarer thought that he should aim for these 10 tricks: four spades, one diamond and five clubs. So he discarded low diamonds from his hand on the second and third rounds of hearts. He would have been all right if trumps had split 3-3 or 4-2, but not when they were 6-0.

North 07-04-18			
♠ K J 9			
♥ J 8 5			
♦ 7 6 4 3 2			
♣ K J			
West		East	
♠ —		♠ 8 7 6 5 4 3	
♥ A K Q 10 6 3		♥ 9 4 2	
♦ K J 8		♦ Q 10	
♣ 9 7 5 2		♣ 10 8	
South			
♠ A Q 10 2			
♥ 7			
♦ A 9 5			
♣ A Q 6 4 3			
Dealer: North			
Vulnerable: Both			
South	West	North	East
		Pass	Pass
1♣	1♥	Dbl.	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♥ A			

However, dummy, as is his wont, pointed out that South should have taken 10 tricks with a crossruff.

After trumping at trick two, he plays a club to the king, overtakes the club jack with his ace, ruffs a club on the board (East discards a diamond), carefully crosses to his hand with a diamond, trumps another club, ruffs the heart jack, trumps his last club with dummy's final spade and claims. He takes one diamond, two clubs, three club ruffs on the board, two heart ruffs in his hand and two high trumps.