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# Lac Megantic jury still deliberating

The Canadian Press

By press time yesterday the Jurors for the trial of the three men charged with criminal negligence causing death in the Lac-Megantic railway disaster rounded out their fourth day of deliberations.

The 12 jurors have not been heard from since they began deliberating Thursday morning.

They are deciding the fate of Tom Harding, Richard Labrie and Jean Demaitre, who are charged in connection with the July 2013 tragedy in which 47 people were killed when a runaway train carrying crude oil derailed and exploded.

The three men pleaded not guilty. Harding was the train's engineer, Labrie the traffic controller and Demaitre the manager of train operations.

All three can be found guilty of criminal negligence causing the death of 47 people, while jurors have the option of convicting Harding on one of two other charges: dangerous operation of railway equipment or dangerous operation of railway equipment causing death.

Harding's legal team maintains their client's actions were not a marked departure from the behaviour of a reasonable person in similar circumstances and did not reveal a reckless disregard for the life of others.

The Crown contends Harding failed to perform a proper brake test and didn't apply enough handbrakes after he parked the 73-wagon convoy late on the night of July 5, 2013.

Labrie and Demaitre were accused of failing to ask enough questions to ensure the train was properly secure after a fire broke out on the locomotive and firefighters shut off its engine, compromising the braking system.

The trial began Oct. 2.

# Brompton Bridges washed out



GORDON LAMBIE

By Gordon Lambie

A rail bridge and the passageway for a recreational path in Brompton were washed away by rising waters on the Saint Francis River over the weekend. According a statement from

the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railway, owners of the bridge in question, the sudden rise in the water level during the night of Friday to Saturday caused the washout, which came at a time when no people or trains were near the structure. As a result, although the

bridge and neighbouring recreational passage are a total loss, there was no loss of life or environmental damage.

"The railway emergency and recovery team is presently on site to assess damage and prepare the ground for future

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SNOW

HIGH OF -7  
LOW OF -14



**WEDNESDAY:**  
MIX OF SUN  
AND CLOUDS

HIGH OF -9  
LOW OF -14



**THURSDAY:**  
SNOW

HIGH OF -6  
LOW OF -10



**FRIDAY:**  
MIX OF SUN  
AND CLOUDS

HIGH OF -3  
LOW OF -6

# Neither rain nor sleet nor snow

By Mable Hastings

It has always struck me as odd that the noun used and the image offered up in the unpredictable display of weather and the aspects of nature have long been described by embodying it in the image of a mother and referring to it as, Mother Nature. While the rebirth of fresh blossoms in spring, abundance of a garden's growth and the riches of a fall harvest may well describe the birthing, gestation and miracle of birth in all forms, the destruction of a flood, irreversible loss in fire, devastation in a mudslide or tsunami, really, in my opinion, does not reflect what lives in the heart and soul of a mother.

As a child in the 70's, I remember a "Chiffon" margarine commercial on television that professed with great warning, "It's not nice to fool Mother Nature!" As a kid it was funny and as with most kids, it didn't really resonate or hold much of reason for ponder way back then in my young brain or heart. This morning as I looked out and saw a car slide into the ditch (all were okay), this ad came into my mind and got me to thinking...who came up with the brilliant idea of referring to the elements as, "Mother Nature?"

The last few days in Potton and other areas too, weather has certainly exposed itself as unpredictable, uncontrollable and downright nasty. In Potton a hard-working farm family find themselves without a barn following fire and as basements flooded yesterday leaving destruction and damage in a variety of homes, today cars slide into the ditches in a heavy snowfall as the winds pick up promising an evening and night of less than ideal road conditions and likely new problems for those with flooded yards and basements.

The mother in me worries about where loved ones are during these types of storms. The mother in me wants to find a way to help neighbours who have experienced difficulty (and I am not alone in that thought). The mother in me wants to question why anyone would refer to nature's erratic display as a "mother?"

Regardless, it is times like these when the words "neighbour, friend, family" mean the most. Nature is powerful and we are not able to control or to always deny what comes no matter how hard

we may try or want to. But, the power and strength of love and friendship is often the best medicine and remedy in these difficult times. My own Mom's words now enter my brain, "These are the times when you will know who your friends are."

As the snow falls and the wind blows, if you can't get out, call a friend in need

or someone who is experiencing difficulty. The call may seem inconsequential to you and of little help but to the person, it may mean more than you can imagine or comprehend.

And to Mother Nature my apologies, I should have defended you along time ago.



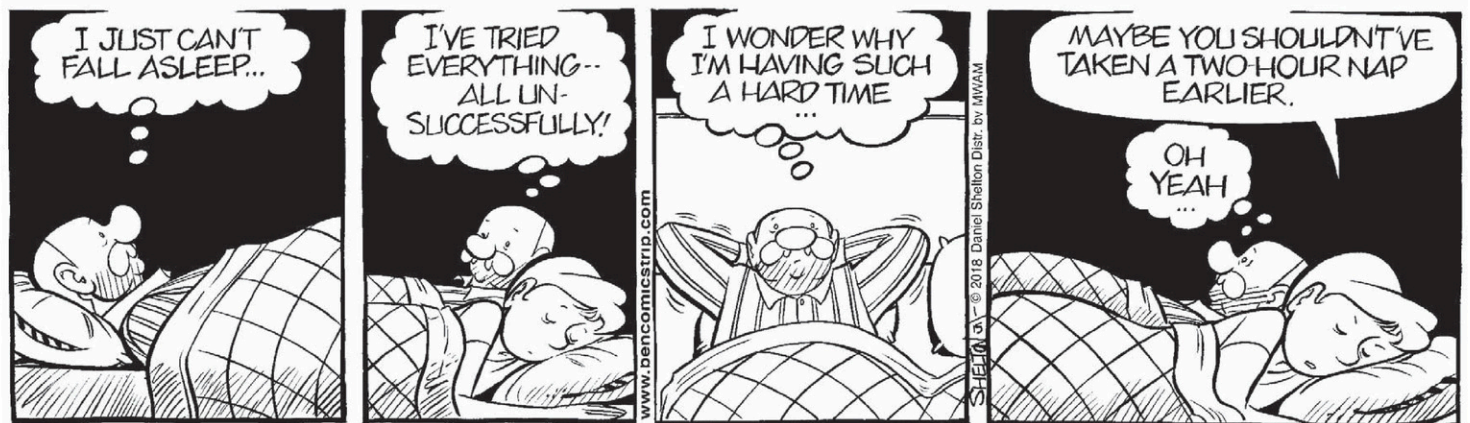
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One person returned home for lunch Friday to find her basement full of water, the highway culvert plugged and the house surrounded. Just one example of the many disasters that happened over the weekend caused by the weather.

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## Ben by Daniel Shelton



# LOCAL NEWS

*"We had a good bridge," one mourner said, noting that the railway over the river has been a major part of Bromptonville's history and industry.*

## Well Inc loan referendum register fails

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The register opened for those wishing to force a referendum on the controversial \$26 million dollar municipal loan to finance part of the Well Inc. project failed to garner sufficient support. Counselors who criticized the process continue to denounce the lack of consultation while the City says it wants to organize information sessions to better explain its intentions to citizens.

Last week, 462 residents signed the register hoping to block the borrowing bylaw, far short of the 8,702 required to

force the City to reassess the project or begin a referendum process.

Councilors Pierre Avar and Pierre Tremblay say they are happy to see that several hundred people took the trouble to demonstrate their concerns about the project.

For the moment, only one project has been evaluated by the City due to the exclusive agreement with a consortium made up of SherWeb, Fonds immobilier FTQ, and Groupe Custeau. Tremblay suggests opening tenders to other projects and presenting options to the public.

The City is now promising to provide more information to the public to help clarify the project.

## Traffic slowdown expected on Hwy 10 near Granby, Bromont

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Hydro-Québec is advising the public that work in the area of Exit 74 on Autoroute 10 Tuesday night will temporarily affect traffic on the 10 near the municipalities of Granby and Bromont.

Delays will involve a reduction of speed to 40 km/h between 10-10:30 pm. and the closing of Exit 74, Eastbound, off Highway 10 from 10:00 pm to midnight.

Hydro is asking motorists to exercise caution and patience around the site and to respect the signs posted.

Though a \$26 million loan has been authorized, that does not mean that the City will necessarily have to use the money. It has been earmarked for the

proposal, but the full \$70 million project still needs to be studied in detail. Councilors will have to approve or reject it by February 15.

## Brompton Bridges washed out

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work," the statement reads. "Alternative routes will be established shortly to maintain customer service."

It is not clear, at this time, what those alternative routes will be.

The rail bridge, which lies along the route from Richmond to Sherbrooke on the St. Lawrence and Atlantic passage from Montreal to Portland, Maine, saw daily rail traffic. Although the Provincial government was quick to express

support for the industries impacted by the washout, the severity of the damage is such that it is clear there will be a wait involved before Brompton and neighbouring communities see trains passing through once again.

A steady stream of mourners ignored security tape across the path leading to the river on Sunday afternoon. In twos and threes they walked the path to the washed-out bridges in a kind of receiving line to pay their respects to the structures, which now lie twisted and in

several different pieces on both banks of the river.

"We had a good bridge," one mourner said, noting that the railway over the river has been a major part of Bromptonville's history and industry.

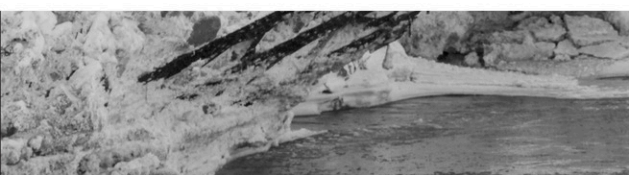
A Kruger retiree gazing out over the wreckage remarked that while he had seen plenty of ice dams at the site before, the speed and intensity of this past weekend's flooding was something unheard of.

"It was never anything like this be-

fore," the onlooker said, pointing out the massive walls of ice north of the washout site, in which part of the old bridge is now lodged.

Another couple, out walking their dog, said that the loss of the bridge for the recreational path is a major loss for the local snowmobiling community, as it marks the only crossing point on the river for many kilometers.

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# New D-G for Magog's Fête des vendanges

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homecoming for Verreault, who was the first coordinator of the Magog event in 1994, in addition to acting as a director in 2011 and 2012.

Verreault has been involved in tourism for a quarter of a century and has managed the Victoriaville 150th Anniversary Corporation, Marie-Victorin Park in Kingsey Falls, the Lanaudière Regional Tourism Association, and the Suroît Tourist Office.

His five-year tenure at the Village québécois d'antan in Drummondville resulted in a marked increase in attendance and two awards at the Quebec Tourism Awards.

Verreault is succeeding Julie Durand, who has held the position for the last two editions.

"Even though the Harvest Festival is doing very well, it is my firm intention, with the team in place and the Board of

Directors, to make the necessary changes to increase awareness of this unique event in Quebec, to put more wine in the spotlight and make this event even more festive and experiential," Verreault says.

The Magog-Orford harvest festival will present its 25th edition in September 2018.

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# Come and celebrate Potton's 8th Annual Festival of hearts



## THE SCOOP

### MABLE HASTINGS

In its 8th year, Potton's Annual Festival of Hearts offers an abundant fun-filled calendar of heart friendly activities for people of all ages and spanning a wide range of interests. With Mother Nature in full cooperation, the month kicks off with an invitation to build a snowman at your home or local business. Once your creation is completed, call Johanne Dumberry at 450-292-3214 to have it judged and you could win a prize. The contest will run throughout the winter. This event is organized by Potton's Cultural and Heritage Committee. Be reminded that this snowman building fun is not restricted to any age so, whether you get inspired and build one alone, with your children or grandchildren, co-workers or friends, this simple activity will instil within your heart a feeling of youth and joy.

Through the month of February during regular hours, the Legion Memorial Library will present the Silkscreen creations of Genevieve Duplessis. For information call the library at 450-292-3948 or visit: Bibliotheque@potton.ca In an attempt to help citizens break up the winter blues, the library will extend its opening hours on Wednesday evenings until 8:30pm.

On February 1st Cinema Potton present "De Pere en Flic 2" at their cinema viewing room in the Town Hall located at 2 rue Vale Perkins at 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$7 for members and \$9 for non-members and those 18 and under are admitted free of charge. On the 11th of February Cinema Potton and the Public Market will present "The Gardener" featuring influential gardener and horticulturist, Frank Cabot (in English with French subtitles); this will be followed by a pot-luck lunch and discussion with Alex Reford director, Les Jardins Metis/Reford Gardins. February 15 Cinema Potton presents, "The Other Side of Hope," admission details as above. Free at the

Town Hall. For more information about Cinema Potton visit their Facebook page at: <http://potton.ca/loisirs-et-culture/cinema-potton/>

Potton Heritage Association will hold several snowshoe outings during the month of February. February 3 the outing will be on the slope of Mount Elephant hosted by Helene and Gilles 450-292-4479 (max. 28 persons RSVP necessary). February 10 the outing will be an excursion through the wooded land in Leadville hosted by Beatrice and Karsten 460-292-6872 (max. 30 persons, RSVP necessary). February 17, Edith and Christian 450-292-0547 will host a walk on Owl's Head road or an easy snowshoe on the golf course...RSVP necessary. February 24 excursion is an easy snowshoeing on the trails near the Missisquoi River with Catherine Gagnieux, founder of SAFE sanctuary for farm animals. Catherine will give a tour of the animal shelter and then participants are invited to gather for lunch at Bistro Chouette. Cost is \$13.00 for the meal, tax not included and wine and beer are available. Reservations necessary by visiting: [pottonheritage.org](http://pottonheritage.org) (max. 25 people).

Saturday, February 3 from 10am to 3pm, come and enjoy WINTERFEST the outdoor/indoor family fun day being held at the Mansonville Elementary School (5, rue Marion-Atwell). Organised and animated by the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre(CABMN) Former Youth Involvement (FYI) and Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) in collaboration with Trish Wood-Community Organizer for the Municipality of Potton, this event offers: a horse-drawn sleigh ride, tubing slide, inflatable bouncy games, outdoor fun, indoor face painting, hair wrapping, bingo, lunch, door prizes. The afternoon continues with the addition of sugar on snow, first responder tours and more...For information contact Mable Hastings, Director (CABMN) 450-292-4886 or Trish Wood, 450-292-3313, p. 228 or visit: [www.cabmn.org](http://www.cabmn.org) or [www.potton.ca](http://www.potton.ca) for details. This event is not to be missed!

On February 8th at 10:30, followed by a lunch at noon, join Potton's Retired Club for Seniors and the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre for "To Your Heart's Desire," a conference being offered by the Familiprix pharmacy followed by an Italian lunch and plenty of fun activities that are guaranteed to warm your heart. Please reserve by February 1. The event is being held at the

Eglise Saint-Cajetan, 324 Rue Principale in Mansonville. Cost for the lunch is \$16 per person and for information contact Angelle Laplume-Senior's Services Coordinator for the CABMN at 450-292-3114 ext. 103 or email [a.laplume@cabmn.org](mailto:a.laplume@cabmn.org)

Saturday, February 10 the Municipality of Potton presents, "I Love Skating" from 1:00-3:00pm at the rink in Parc Andre Gagnon. Activities include: skating, sliding, games, hockey, hot chocolate and surprises...For information contact Trish Wood at 450-292-3313, poste 228 or [loisirs@potton.ca](mailto:loisirs@potton.ca)

Saturday, February 10th there will be a free Pilates Class from 10:00-11:00 am at the Town Hall. Pilates is a gentle core training method using breathing and communication between mind and body. Join Kinesiologist, Monique Gilbert for a free workshop and discover the benefits of Pilates! Info: 438-872-0829

February 13 learn heart healthy vegetarian cooking techniques with Chef Denis Mareuge at the Owl's Head Bakery located at 299-A, rue Principale, Mansonville. Cost per person is \$20 and reservations are necessary by calling 450-292-3088.

February 15 and 22, The Art of Potton Living from 12:45 to 2:00pm in the St.Cajetan Church basement. Let's come together, the young and young at heart, and create a community art show! Animated by "les Production Super Hiro," this interactive program is aimed at bridging the age gap and bringing out our inner artist. Free and open to all. Snacks and all materials provided. In collaboration with Potton's Cultural and Heritage Committee and the Retired Club for Seniors. RSVP appreciated, 450-292-3313 ext. 228

February 20 at 5:00pm Celebrate winter with a family-friendly hockey match

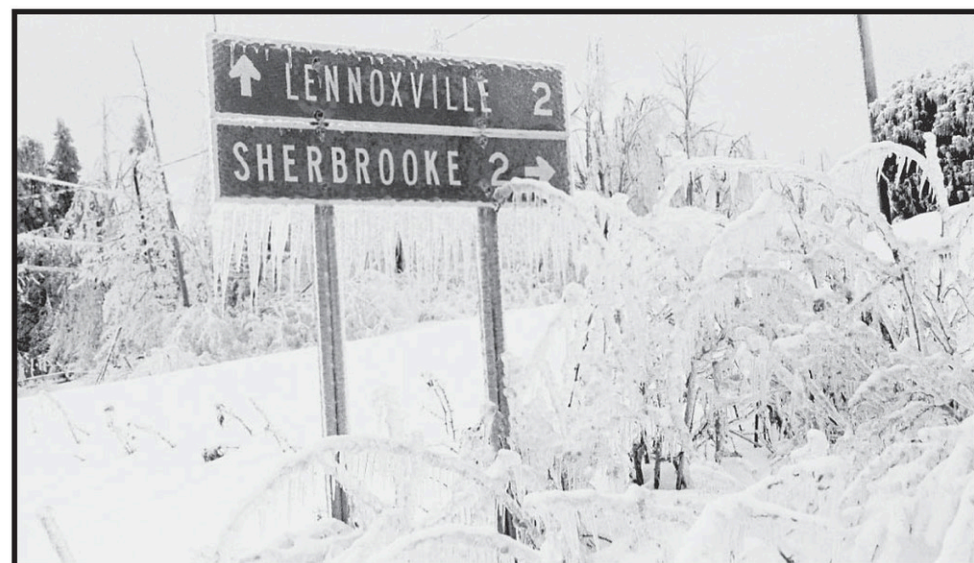
at Parc Andre Gagnon rink. Contact Trish Wood as above. February 27 from 9am to 11pm at the Town Hall in Mansonville, Community Baby Shower. Did you have a baby in the 2017-18 year? If yes, please join us for our community baby shower. This event is being organized by the Municipality of Potton and the Ressources-Relais Team. Contact Trish Wood for details.

February 15, 9am to 11am at the Mansonville Town Hall and February 18 from 9am to 10am at the Potton Apartments (27, rue Neil Armstrong), Meditation: "The Heart Center" where you can come a discover Meditation in a simple class for all levels that will allow one to discover the peaceful place in the "heart center." Free, bilingual and everyone welcome.

February 20 at 1:30pm Town Hall 2nd floor, "Caring for you with all my heart," presented by the health professionals from the "Taking Care of Your Health program," in collaboration with the CIUSSS de l'Estrie-CHUS. Learn practices and discover resources to help start or maintain your good health habits that benefit your heart. Contact Angelle Laplume at the CABMN Volunteer Centre 450-292-3114 ext. 103 for details.

February 28, the Festive Heart Month wraps up with, "The 100-year-old Gardener, from 7:00 to 8:00 pm at the Legion Memorial Library, free of charge organized by Gwynne Basen, 450-292-0732. One of the surest ways to enjoy a happy, healthy old age is to garden. Gwynne will share tips and techniques that make the work lighter and stories of some amazing golden age growers. Break up the winter routine and enjoy a cozy night at the Library. Scones and tea will be served.

Don't miss Festive Hearts month in Potton!



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# EDITORIAL

*It seems that no matter how much time we give it, we'll never actually see the limits to which the current Commander in Chief will go for God-knows what reason.*

## Fertilizing the nation



MIKE McDEVITT

When it gets to the point that a discussion of language used by the President of the United States cannot be fully explored in the editorial pages of a family newspaper, we truly are living in a brand new world.

Late last week, in a discussion with policy makers attempting to find a way to come to terms with some sort of immigration reform, he who has no filter referred to some nations as what must be referred to euphemistically as latrines and questioned why the United States needed the latrine-born as immigrants. It's important that we remember that he was not referring to desperate refugees from terrorist infested war zones, but people trying to immigrate in the traditional manner. Coincidentally, of course, the countries in his latrine vision all produce people of darker hue. He wondered why the US could not have more people from countries of more alabaster complexion, like Norway, to whom he had just bragged about delivering advanced fighter jets that exist only in a video game.

The assumption in the president's plaint is that the latrine-bred somehow diminish the American people and are a burden to bear. It ignores the fact that the people from the latrines seeking admission to the American paradise are almost universally better educated, better trained, more aware, and eventually considerably more valuable contributors to the American way of life than are the native born. They are precisely the kind of people Trump says he wants. They're just the wrong colour.

Trump of course is in the middle of a desperate attempt to convince - despite the evidence - that he is an astute, aware, and decisive leader all the while doing whatever he can to undermine that very claim. There is serious discussion as to the state of his mental health, his relationships with members of the adult en-

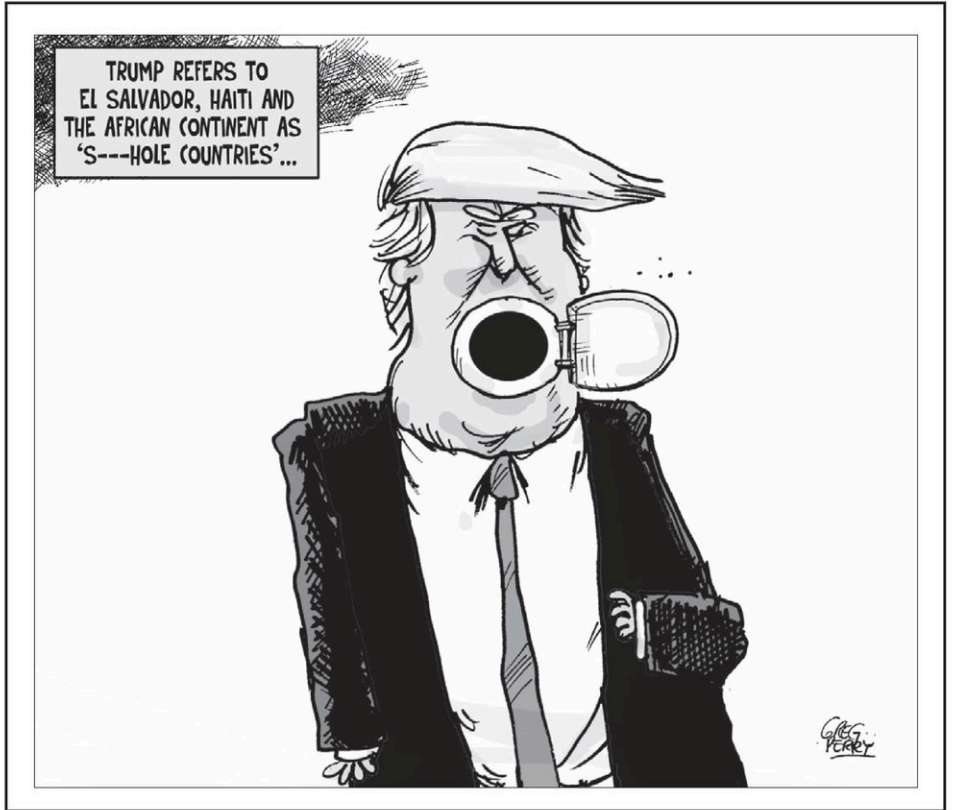
tertainment industry, and how he carries out the functions of his job. It really isn't the best time for him to needlessly insult erstwhile friendly nations by calling them latrines.

It seems that no matter how much time we give it, we'll never actually see the limits to which the current Commander in Chief will go for God-knows what reason. To be sure, he spoon feeds the rabid fascist lunatics that are his most devoted followers the hateful slime they so crave and he continues to channel the nation's wealth into the maws of his slaving billionaire cronies, but the rest of the country is reacting to his antics with horror and disgust.

In a time of great uncertainty, the current president is almost casually angering and frightening nations around the world who have assumed that American might was always be used on the side of democracy and economic freedom. He has undermined the country's most formidable alliance through boorish, unfounded accusations and criticisms. Meanwhile, he cozies up to avowed murderers like the Philippines' Duterte, repressive authoritarians like Turkey's Erdogan and the brutal expansionist regime of Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu.

Moreover, Trump has exposed much more clearly the 'greatness' to which he has vowed to return the American republic. It isn't the exploding economic progress enjoyed following the Second World War, which allowed American workers to enjoy a middle class existence and aspire to even greater prosperity for themselves and their children. Instead, it's the other side of the coin where the mongrel collection of European descendants with white skin allowed their sense of superiority and inherent privilege to run loose unrestrained. It is not the greatness that came with well-organized labour that could enforce protections for working people's health and safety; it is the greatness that came with a permanently reviled underclass controlled with targeted courts and lengthy imprisonment.

It isn't likely that Donald Trump would ever understand that there aren't swarms of Norwegians clamouring to tread the streets of Cincinnati, nor is he really anxious to welcome hordes of socialist blondes expecting fair taxation, universal health care, paid parental leave,



government accountability, and free higher education. Given that, however, his latest kerfuffle has made it that much harder to continue to attract the kind of people whom the United States desperately needs and wants to attract. Educated, motivated, and eager, they now have to face the prospect of a host country whose leadership is openly antagonistic and where their dignity and security can never be assured.

For over 200 years, the United States has portrayed itself to world as a bastion of freedom and opportunity despite having never even remotely lived up to that image. Nevertheless, former latrine people, like the Irish, the Italians, Eastern Europeans, and, to a large extent, Jews have risen to occupy respected and integral roles in the American melting pot and it would be hard to find significant numbers of Americans who aggressively resent their presence. With people of colour, however, the story is different: the stereotypes are more sinister, the perceived threats greater, and the demonization more intense. America has never been the open society it claimed to be -

but it did make the claim. The current gang in charge has not only dismissed the idea but ridicules it and assumes it represents weakness and naiveté.

The damage the Trump / Republican administration is inflicting on American society will be long-lasting and will hinder the nation's ability to face the issues that will confront it in the 21st century. Trump's reckless bombast, belligerence, and incoherence on the world stage could shake the world's few pillars of stability to their foundations.

It is difficult to tell whether the Donald's legacy will set the course of American development for years to come or whether it will simply end up an embarrassing stain - the mid-term elections will help decide that - but let's not forget, the President's antics not only dominate the headlines, they also hijack the attention of those of the political class that stand in opposition to him. This isn't helping them to arrive at an alternative agenda to present to a very disillusioned electorate. These guys could win by default.

## Letters

### Cans and Bottles Fund-Raisers 2017-2018

Another successful fundraising year for the Wales Home Foundation, where \$ 692.10 was raised. This exceeds the amount raised in 2016! It could not have been done without the support of the Townships community. Many thanks!! Until the end of March, your empties will assist the Townshippers' Research and Cultural Foundation. TRCF, a community-based charitable organization, which is committed to supporting groups and projects that improve the quality of life in the areas of art, music, culture, and heritage for the people of the Eastern Townships.

To raise funds for TRCF, collecting returnable bottles (wine, soft drink and beer) and cans can be dropped off at the Townshippers' Association office # 100- 257 Queen St., Lennoxville, QC, between 9:00 and 16:00. (819-566-5717). For large amounts of cans and bottles, please phone at 819-826-3929 to arrange to collect your empties. In the Richmond area, hopefully the driveway at Bev Taber Smith's house at 8 Melbourne Ave. N. in Melbourne will not be snowed in much longer. In the meantime, would you kindly call 819-826-3929, to arrange pick-up of your empties?

Thanks to the Townships community for the continued support for this and other worthy causes.

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# Local Sports

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## Marchand shootout goal lifts Boston over Habs 4-3 in first game against Julien

By Bill Beacon  
THE CANADIAN PRESS

**B**rad Marchand and the Boston Bruins forced overtime and then won in a shootout in their first game against their former coach — Claude Julien of rival the Montreal Canadiens.

But the Bruins were more interested in keeping their unbeaten string alive than sending any message to the coach who led them to the 2011 Stanley Cup.

"It's different, but this was just another game," said Marchand, who scored in regulation time and got the game-winner in the fourth round of the shootout. "We did a good job and look forward to the next one."

The win stretched Boston's streak to 12 games (9-0-3) and left them 12-1-3 in their last 16 outings.

They had to come back twice to do it, as Montreal took an early lead on a goal by Max Pacioretty. Marchand and Jake DeBrusk put the Bruins ahead, but the

Canadiens grabbed the lead back through Nicolas Deslauriers and Alex Galchenyuk before David Krejci forced overtime with a goal at 17:42 of the third.

"We seem to be able to show that character," said Marchand. "It was great to see the guys battle back.

"We didn't have a great game but we dug down and capitalized when it mattered."

It was Julien's first game against his former team since he was fired by Boston last Feb. 7, only to be hired by the Canadiens a week later.

The Bruins outshot Montreal 29-25 in regulation time and 32-30 overall in the first of three meetings between the clubs over an eight-day span. They play again Wednesday in Boston and next Saturday in Montreal.

The Canadiens (18-20-5) are 2-0-1 in their last three games.

There was a scary moment at 18:23 of the second period when a Zdeno Chara

point shot hit Phillip Danault in the side of the head. The 24-year-old Canadiens centre was attended to by medical staff on the ice for about five minutes before being taken away on a stretcher.

He was moving and conscious and was to be kept overnight in hospital.

"You never want to see that," said Julien. "Regardless if it's your own team or the other team, no one wants to see injuries like that.

"They always make you worry. The players are still worried about him, but the reports are good so far. The plan is to keep him in hospital and re-evaluate him (on Sunday)."

"I wanted to talk to him," said Chara, who said something to Danault as he left the ice. "I felt bad obviously that he got hit.

"I wanted to make sure he was OK and was responding."

Officials opted to play the final 1:37 of the second period after the intermission, before the start of the third.

Victor Mete, in his first game back after helping Canada win world junior championship gold, picked up an assist 3:22 into the game when the rebound of his point shot was tucked inside the post by Pacioretty. The Canadiens captain got a third goal in as many games.

Marchand was left alone in front on a power play to take a feed from Patrice Bergeron and score his 18th of the season at 17:11.

DeBrusk was sent in alone by Charlie McAvoy to beat Carey Price with a high shot 2:55 into the second frame. Deslauriers picked up a loose puck at the Boston blue line and beat Tuukka Rask with a low shot from the slot at 5:45.

Galchenyuk took a diagonal feed from Jonathan Drouin in the right circle and beat Rask with a wrist shot under the crossbar on a power play at 8:51.

Jakub Jerabek swiped at and missed a bouncing puck and Krejci pounced on it and beat Price from close range at 17:42.

## Canada's Chris Spring wins World Cup bronze, Johannes Lochner takes gold

The Canadian Press  
ST. MORITZ, SWITZERLAND

**C**anada's Chris Spring won bronze in a four-man World Cup bobsled event Sunday while World Cup leader Johannes Lochner of Germany took gold to edge closer to the overall season title.

Spring, from Calgary, drove his sled to a two-run time of two minutes 08.95 seconds. He was joined by Edmonton's Bryan Barnett, Calgary's Lascelles Brown and Edmonton's Neville Wright.

It was Spring's first career medal at the historic venue in the sport's birthplace.

"I have always had a good feeling on the track here, and I feel like I've been unlucky not to podium before so I'm happy to have medalled today on such a historic track," Spring said. "It's special here every year. The mountains have this feeling for me of being just like Whistler, so I feel a bit at home here."

Lochner and his crew of Sebastian Mrowka, Joshua Bluhm and Christian Rasp finished first in 2:08.42. Germany's

Francesco Friedrich was 0.14 seconds back in second place.

Going into the final race next weekend at their home track of Koenigsee, Lochner leads Friedrich in the season standings. Friedrich and his push team of Candy Bauer, Martin Grothkopp and Thorsten Margis set an Olympia track record of 1:04.15 for their second run.

It was the second four-man bronze for Spring this season and the fourth of his career. He won gold and silver earlier this season in two-man competition.

"Confidence is a massive factor in our sport, especially at the top end so I'm happy to go into the last World Cup with this momentum," Spring said.

Monaco got a season-best World Cup result in eighth, with driver Rudy Rinaldi pushed by Boris Vain, Thibault Demarthon and Steven Borges Mendonaca.

Justin Kripps of Summerland, B.C., was 16th. He was joined in the sled by Alexander Kopacz of London, Ont., Joey Nemet of Hamilton, Ont., and Ben Coakwell of Moose Jaw, Sask.



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The Team Chris Spring, front, with Bryan Barnett, Lascelles Brown and Neville Wright from Canada arrive at the finish area during the 4-man Bob World Cup in St. Moritz, Switzerland, on Sunday, Jan. 14, 2018

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# Today in History

## Today in History for Jan. 15:

### On this date:

In AD 345, Paul of Thebes, traditionally considered the first Christian hermit and an inspiration for Antony of Egypt and later Christian monasticism, died.

In 1535, Henry VIII declared himself head of the English Church.

In 1559, Queen Elizabeth I was crowned after the death of her half-sister, Mary. Protestantism, which had been persecuted under Bloody Mary, was immediately restored as the official church of England. Elizabeth, the only child of King Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn, took England through one of its greatest eras. Her 45-year reign marked the growth of commerce, the defeat of the Spanish Armada and the flourishing of art, music and literature.

In 1622, French dramatist Jean Baptiste Moliere was born.

In 1634, the first seigniorship in Canada – at Beauport, Que. – was awarded to Robert Giffard.

In 1759, the British Museum opened in London. Today the museum, which is free to visitors, houses more than seven million objects representing many cultures.

In 1827, to test the resistance of an asbestos suit, a volunteer in Paris walked into a huge oven, holding a raw steak. He emerged a few minutes later in good health – the steak was overdone.

In 1836, the formation of armed groups was prohibited in Lower Canada.

In 1844, the University of Notre Dame received its charter from the state of Indiana.

In 1878, a convention of the Conservative Party adopted the "National Policy" as a party platform. The following year, legislation erecting stiff tariff barriers was put into effect by the Conservative government of Sir John A. Macdonald. More than a century later, in 1989, the Tories under Brian Mulroney embraced free trade with the U.S.

In 1879, Mazo de la Roche, the author of "The Whiteoaks of Jalna," was born in Toronto.

In 1892, James Naismith first published his rules of basketball in the YMCA's "Triangle" magazine in Springfield, Mass. The Almonte, Ont.-native devised the game the previous year while teaching at the Springfield "Y."

In 1901, the Northern Pacific Railway obtained a 999-year lease on a railway line in Manitoba.

In 1915, the Canadian Northern Railway between Quebec and Vancouver was completed at Basque, B.C.

In 1919, the Great Boston Molasses Flood killed 21 people and injured 150. A tank at a distillery burst open, sending a two-storey-high wave of raw black molasses into a north-end neighbourhood. The two-million gallons of molasses, originally destined for rum, also crumbled buildings and collapsed an elevated train track. Boston smelled of molasses for a week.

In 1922, the Irish Free State was established.

In 1929, U.S. civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was born in Atlanta. The Nobel Peace Prize winner was assassinated in Memphis in 1968.

In 1943, work was completed on the Pentagon, headquarters of the U.S. Defence Department. It was built in the Washington suburb of Arlington, Va., in 16 months at a cost of \$83 million.

In 1947, the mutilated remains of Elizabeth Short, the 22-year-old aspiring actress nicknamed the "Black Dahlia," were found in a vacant Los Angeles lot. Her murder remains unsolved.

In 1950, a Royal Canadian Air Force crew arrived in Halifax from Vancouver, ending a record-setting flight in a four-engined North Star. At eight hours and 25 minutes, it was then the fastest non-stop coast-to-coast flight in Canadian aviation history.

In 1962, the RCMP Musical Ride became a permanent, full-time unit of the force.

In 1963, for the first time, hearings of the Board of Broadcast Governors (now the CRTC) were recorded for radio and television. The Canadian Association of Broadcasters distributed the tapes to interested stations.

In 1967, the Green Bay Packers beat the Kansas City Chiefs 35-10 in Los Angeles in the first game between the National Football League and American Football League champions. The title game was officially named the Super Bowl a few years later.

In 1971, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Nikolai Podgorny, Soviet chief of state, dedicated the Aswan high dam in Egypt.

In 1973, U.S. president Richard M. Nixon announced the suspension of all

American offensive action in North Vietnam, citing progress in peace negotiations.

In 1976, Sara Jane Moore was sentenced to a life term for trying to assassinate U.S. President Gerald Ford.

In 1985, Tancredo de Almeida Neves was elected the first civilian president of Brazil since 1964.

In 1986, Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev proposed eliminating nuclear weapons by the year 2000. It was the first Soviet proposal that did not try to include British and French missiles as part of a disarmament package.

In 1989, NATO, the Warsaw Pact and 12 other European countries adopted a human rights and security agreement in Vienna, Austria.

In 1990, drastic cuts in Via Rail service took effect, eliminating more than 2,500 jobs and half of the railway's 38 routes.

In 1991, the Western deadline for Iraq to pull its troops out of Kuwait passed with no sign of Baghdad's compliance. UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar made a final appeal to Iraq to remove its troops and avert war.

In 1992, Canada recognized the independence of the breakaway Yugoslav republics of Croatia and Slovenia.

In 1996, Hubble space telescope scientists said they had discovered at least 1,500 new galaxies in pictures of deep space taken by a special camera.

In 1999, the B.C. Supreme Court ruled a law banning possession of child pornography violated the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

In 2000, notorious Serbian warlord Arkan, real name Zeljko Raznatovic, was shot to death in the lobby of a hotel in Belgrade.

In 2004, the NASA "Spirit" rover rolled onto the surface of Mars for the first time since the vehicle bounced to a landing nearly two weeks earlier.

In 2006, 59-year-old Foreign Affairs employee Glyn Berry was killed when a suicide bomber drove a vehicle into a Canadian convoy near Kandahar, Afghanistan. Three Canadian soldiers were badly wounded in the blast – Pte. William Edward Salikin, Cpl. Jeffrey Bailey and Master Cpl. Paul Franklin.

In 2008, trooper Richard Renaud, 26, from Alma, north of Quebec City, was killed in a roadside bomb attack in southern Afghanistan.

In 2008, the CRTC announced new regulations to restrict cross-media own-

ership as a way of ensuring diversity of editorial voices in the same market.

In 2008, the FDA in the U.S. declared milk and meat from cloned animals, safe for human consumption.

In 2009, a US Airways jetliner crash landed in the Hudson River after colliding with a flock of geese minutes after taking off from New York City's La Guardia airport. All 155 people on board survived in what was dubbed "The Miracle on the Hudson" – and pilot Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger was hailed as a hero.

In 2015, U.S.-based retail giant Target Corp. said it would close all 133 money-losing Canadian stores just two years after its much-anticipated launch, affecting 17,600 employees. The company cited profitability wasn't likely until at least 2021.

In 2016, six Quebecers on a humanitarian mission were among 30 people killed after four al-Qaida inspired terrorists attacked a hotel and cafe in Burkina Faso's capital, Ouagadougou. The terrorists were killed by Burkina Faso and French security forces.

## Do just one thing



By Danny Seo

When rust starts to form on bakeware like muffin tins and cookie sheets, it may seem like it's time to replace them. But it's easy to remove rust and save your cookware using things you already have. Just cut a raw potato in half and dip it in dish soap. Then use the cut end to scrub the rust off your bakeware. You can also add some baking soda for grit; just keep rubbing until the rust lifts up. The combination of starch from the potato, degreaser from the soap and grit from the baking soda does wonders to shine up your rusty bakeware.

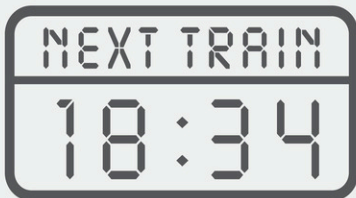


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# A Grandma shut out

Dear Annie

MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2018

**Dear Annie:** I was picking up food at a restaurant for lunch the other day, and I found my pen hovering over the “tip” line on the receipt for an awkward few moments. I’m never sure how much to leave when I get takeout. What’s the standard tipping etiquette? And while we’re on the subject, how much should you tip the pizza guy? I don’t want to be cheap, but I don’t want to leave more than is necessary. — Too Much or Not Enough?

**Dear Too Much or Not Enough?:** In a 2014 CNBC poll, only 13 percent of over 40,000 respondents said they tip for takeout. So it’s certainly socially permissible not to tip in this situation. The flip side of that is that if you do tip, the restaurant workers will especially appreciate it.

As for pizza delivery, it depends, but the consensus seems to hover around 15 percent (and if your order costs less than \$20, a minimum of \$3), as long as your pie shows up pretty much on time and with all slices intact.

**Dear Annie:** I’ve never seen this discussed in your column, but it is a question I’d like to put forth because of the situation we found ourselves in. It’s about funeral processions.

My brother passed away. We attended the wake, and then the next day, we were going to travel from the church to the cemetery, about 10 miles away, with a procession of about eight cars. We were from out of state and not familiar with the area.

The funeral director gave us stickers for our windshields and advised us to keep our hazard lights flashing so we would know whom to follow and traffic would respect the procession. We also had printed directions, which involved taking two major highways and several local streets. To begin with, other drivers cut in on the procession. And then, with no one to follow anymore, we got lost!

For out-of-state relatives in this situation, would it be appropriate to ask the funeral director for a hired car to ride in? If the family members know of out-of-

state relatives in attendance, should they have the funeral director assist with prearranged rides or a hired car? — Lost Somewhere in New York

**Dear Lost Somewhere in New York:** I am sorry for your loss. Shame on anyone disrespectful enough to cut off a funeral procession. I imagine (and hope) the people didn’t realize what they were doing. In the future, stay as close to the car in front of you as is safely possible to prevent non-procession vehicles from cutting in.

As for your suggestion, though it would be great if local members of the family could arrange transportation for out-of-town guests, this might not be a realistic expectation of people who are grieving and already coordinating dozens of other things. Perhaps next time you could offer to help arrange transportation, working with the funeral director to distribute detailed directions and instructions. They might really appreciate the assistance.

**Dear Annie:** I am a 68-year-old widow with two grown children, both married, both living nearby. I dearly love babies and baby-sit as much as possible. My son and wife had my first grandson over the summer. My son called me the morning after to invite me to see him, so I did for a few minutes. Then, a few weeks later and a few weeks after that, my son invited me to their home to see the baby again. So I went. When I didn’t see the baby for several weeks, I texted my daughter-in-law to ask whether I could see the baby but got no response. I knew she would be going back to work soon, so I asked again. No response. The next thing I knew, my son told me to leave them alone — that they wanted their privacy. I cried and cried but don’t know what happened. He told me to not text or call.

This happened around Thanksgiving, when, for the time ever, we didn’t spend the holiday together. Tonight I texted him and asked him to pick up three gifts my friends sent. He was so ticked off that I wasn’t giving them the “space” they need that I think I will either mail him the gifts before the baby outgrows them or return them to my friends.

He is upset that I have

some mild memory problems, mainly repeating myself and not realizing it. I have been to a doctor for this and am taking medication for it. My friends say the medication seems to be helping. I think this problem could also apply to my not realizing I had previously texted him the same thing.

What can I do about my son and wife? Everybody I know seems to really love me. I had many invitations to Thanksgiving dinner and Christmas get-togethers. I am so sad! I have wanted a grandchild for years. — New Grandma

**Dear New Grandma:** I’d encourage you to get a second opinion on your memory problems. (And no, your friends’ opinions don’t count.) Investigate the issue from every angle, because it sounds pretty serious from what you’ve described — not remembering recent conversations you’ve had or text messages you’ve sent. Ask your son to accompany you to a doctor’s visit so your physician can explain the situation to him. If your son understands that this is a medical condition and outside your control, he should be more sympathetic when you repeat yourself or are confused. It will be impossible to help take care of your grandkids if you’re not first and foremost taking care of yourself.

**Dear Annie:** This is in response to “Weird, Stupid or Selfish?” — who keeps having to hide decorative candy from her husband because he eats it. I had the same problem with my husband. Our three fun-loving teenage daughters decided to put some doggy candy in a beautiful crystal dish. Needless to say, it was irresistible to their father. It tasted so bad he had to try two! That sure slowed down the emptying of the candy dishes. — Carol

**Dear Carol:** Now why didn’t I think of that? Please tell your daughters that they take first place at creative problem-solving this week.

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by Luis Campos

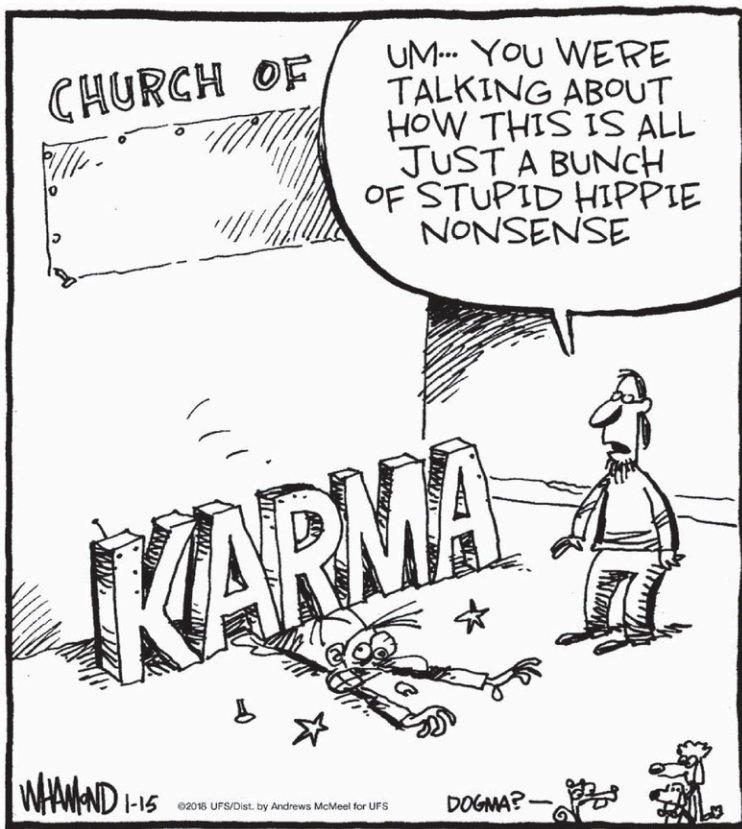
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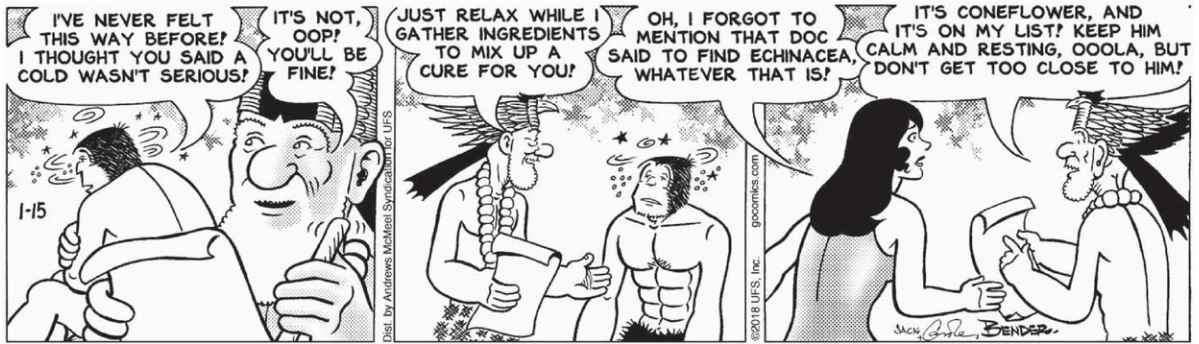


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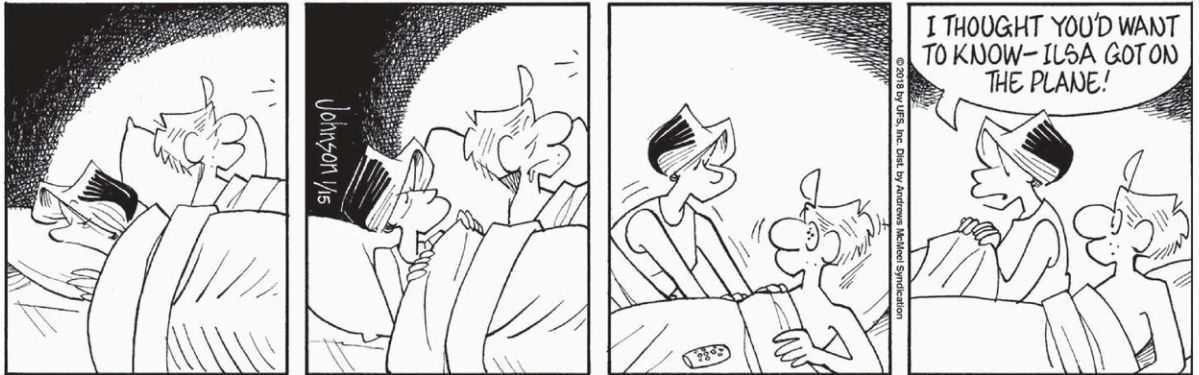


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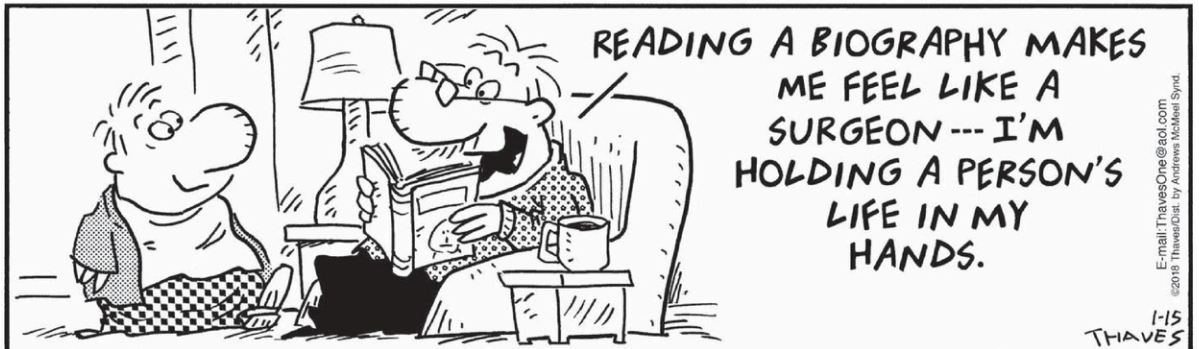
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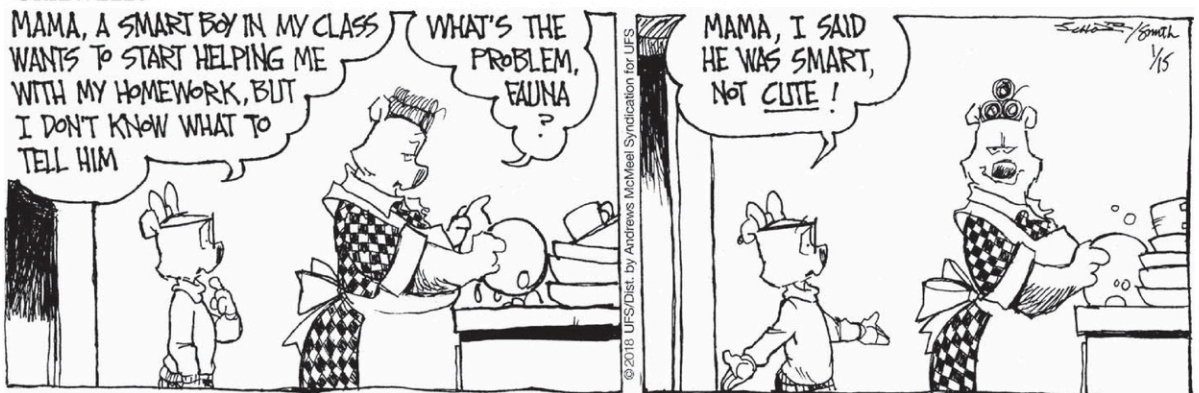
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December at the Résidence Wales Home and CHSLD Wales Inc. was a month of fun and festivities. It began on the 1st, with a concert in the main living room by the Roxton Children. They also performed for residents of Norton 3 on their unit. On the afternoon of the 2nd, an amazing performance of the Christmas Cantata was held in the main living room.

This month seven Christmas floor parties were held. We were fortunate to have delicious treats made by our kitchen, music from amazing volunteers and a visit from Santa Claus at each party. Thankfully, Mrs. Claus and the elves were able to look after last minute preparations at the North Pole so that Santa Claus could make some early visits to our Home, allowing each of our residents to receive a gift from him and their picture taken as a keepsake.

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 15 hosted a Veterans Christmas party in our living room on the afternoon of the 7th. Thank you, Legion members for doing this for our local Veterans.

On the evening of the 7th, residents had the opportunity to see some incredible square dancing as we had a visit from our local young square dancers. They performed in our main dining room. On the afternoon of the 9th, Isabelle Gosselin and her students gave beautiful musical performances at a violin and piano recital in our main living room.

On the afternoon of the 11th, a sing-along led by Debbie Knowles, Bob Dunn and Donna Ham took place in the main living room. On the evening of the 12th, residents enjoyed hot chocolate and treats as the winter weather forced the cancellation of the Christmas light tour around town. On the 14th, residents had the opportunity to hear some beautiful piano and violin music from Robert and Kathleen. On the morning of the 15th, the local Mother Goose children and parents joined residents in the living room for a morning of rhymes, stories, songs and a visit from Santa Claus. The Wales Home choir of residents held a few practices and then gave a performance for other residents on the afternoon of the 15th in the main living room. Thank you to Donna Noel for playing the piano for our choir. On the afternoon of the 16th, Dr. Frazer's family joined residents in the main living room

for an afternoon of music which was accompanied by a beautiful display of chalk art.

Zootherapy was held in the nursing care units on the morning of the 18th. On the afternoon of the 18th, a special Christmas bingo took place in the main living room.

Happy birthday to everyone who celebrated in December. The December party will be held in January as there were so many holiday festivities. Christmas caroling on the nursing care units took place on the evening of the 19th, followed by an advent service led by Ann and Ellis Clark in the main living room. Students from Richmond Regional High School gave a beautiful concert performance on the morning of the 20th in the main living room. On the evening of the 20th, the Roxton Singers Christmas carolled throughout the home. Laurent, Frances and Anne gave a lovely musical performance in the living room and on the nursing care units on the afternoon of the 21st. On the afternoon of the 22nd, our therapist Edith Bourassa's father Mario gave a wonderful saxophone concert in the living room at our Christmas Happy Hour.

A toe tapping good time took place in the main dining room on the afternoon of the 28th, when Donna and Sidney Mills and friends got together to entertain residents for a New Year's Dance. On the afternoon of the 29th, an animated version of The Christmas Carol was shown on the large screens in the main living room.

Best wishes are extended to Lilianne Pinard who returned home this month after spending a bit of time with us. Our condolences are extended to the family and friends of Wilfred Lancaster.

If you are looking for more information after you've read the details above, you can visit our website at [www.waleshome.ca](http://www.waleshome.ca) and Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/ResidenceCHSLDWales> for photos, news updates and a copy of the monthly activity calendar and chatter. You can also give us a call at 819-826-3266 for information on admissions, etc., or if you'd like to become a volunteer. We are currently in need of volunteers to do one-on-one visiting (or reading etc.) with residents.

If you are looking for ideas for an interesting book to read, copies of "Memories Everlasting," are still available for sale at the Wales Home,



Papeterie 2000 in Richmond and The Townshipper's Association. They are \$20 each, and can be purchased by contacting Rebecca Taylor by phone at 819-826-3266 ext.221 or by e-mail at [rtaylor@waleshome.ca](mailto:rtaylor@waleshome.ca) or making a purchase at one of the locations listed above. Mailing from the Wales Home is available for an additional cost. We are currently working on the sequel which will be titled "Timeless Memories."

By the time you read this, the new year will have started. We would like to wish you all one that is filled with peace and happiness. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped out this month and who continue to help out all through the year. We are fortunate to have you working with us to give our residents a full and varied activity calendar. Until next month, take care and thank you again for your dedication to our Home.

Submitted by Rebecca Taylor

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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.

# Your Birthday

MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2018

Figure out what you want to accomplish this year. Question what you have done up to this point in your life and learn from experience to ensure that you don't repeat past mistakes. Personal improvements can be made that will enhance your reputation and relationships with others.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Don't feel the need to act in haste. Having a carefully considered plan will serve you better than throwing something together and hoping for the best. It's OK to do things differently.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Don't get wrapped up in what others are doing. Making a hasty decision or taking part in something that is questionable should be monitored closely. Invest in yourself, not in someone else.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) — Round up your friends and people you've helped in the past. It's your turn to get a little assistance. Say the word and you will be able to make things happen.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) — Haste makes waste. Slow down, get your facts straight and protect your position and reputation. You'll face opposition from someone threatened by your skills, knowledge and experience.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) — Size up your situation and make things happen. Don't hesitate to speak up or demonstrate what you have to offer. Discipline and added responsibilities will give you a sense of accomplishment.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) — A serious attitude regarding money, medical or legal affairs will be necessary if you want to avoid complications. An unpredictable situation will need to be handled with care.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) — Step out on a limb and dare to try something different. You'll be surprised by how inspired you become if you participate in events that offer something you know little about.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) — Don't let the desire for change lead you to make foolish decisions. It's important not to go overboard or take on more than you can handle. Physical changes are best put on hold.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Participation will help you appreciate your life and the people you love. Spending time working alongside others will encourage closer bonds and greater opportunities. Romance is favored.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — You'll be tempted to make a last-minute change. Consider what effect your actions will have on those around you. Problems at home and with important relationships will develop. Show compassion.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Make travel plans or arrangements to get together with people you haven't seen in some time. Communication will spark new ideas and prompt you to follow your dreams.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Refuse to get involved in gossip or to reveal information that someone wants kept a secret. Sharing personal information can lead to loss or ruin your reputation.

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## A choice of games offered to partner

By Phillip Alder

Barbara Hall, the creator and producer of "Judging Amy" and "Joan of Arcadia," said, "You are what you are because of the conscious and subconscious choices you have made."

Bridge players usually make conscious choices, but occasionally an expert will produce a bid or play because it "felt right" at the time. In this deal, though, North had the opportunity to offer his partner a choice that worked very well.

South had such a soft 18-point hand that he almost opened one no-trump. (The Kaplan-Rubens evaluation method rates it at 15 points!) However, after South showed a balanced 18 or 19, North used New Minor Forcing to find out that partner had three-card spade support. But he then made an excellent choice, continuing with three no-trump to offer partner a choice of games, North's sequence having guaranteed five spades. South had an easy pass.

Note that four spades had no chance, with one loser in each suit.

Against three no-trump, West's best lead would have been a low heart. Then declarer would have had to attack diamonds first to remove East's entry to his long hearts. When West chose a low club, declarer won with dummy's nine and played a spade to his queen. West

North 01-15-18			
♠ J 9 8 7 3			
♥ K 2			
♦ 8 4 2			
♣ K 9 2			
West			East
♠ K 6 4 2			♠ 10
♥ A 10 6			♥ 9 8 7 4 3
♦ 10 5 3			♦ A 9 7
♣ A 10 7			♣ 8 6 5 4
South			
♠ A Q 5			
♥ Q J 5			
♦ K Q J 6			
♣ Q J 3			
Dealer: North			
Vulnerable: Neither			
South	West	North	East
		Pass	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	All Pass
Opening lead: ♣ 7			

took the trick and shifted to a heart, but South won with dummy's king and led a diamond. East grabbed that trick and returned a heart, but the contract was safe.

In a 13-table duplicate, six other North-Souths reached three no-trump, each when North raised two no-trump to three. The rest went down in four spades.

## CROSSWORD

**Across**

- 1 Ear part
- 5 Hamper load
- 9 Blow in a dojo
- 13 Former Twitter CEO Williams
- 14 Actress Sommer of "A Shot in the Dark"
- 15 Pickle juice
- 16 NAACP co-founder
- 18 One who lassoes dogies, say
- 19 Martini order
- 20 Sgt. or cpl.
- 21 Military zone division
- 22 Pioneer suffragist on some dollar coins
- 26 Hindu community
- 28 Open the faucets onstage, so to speak
- 29 "Who's Afraid of Virginia \_\_\_?"
- 30 Rocky peak
- 31 Celebratory cry two days after hump day

- 35 Cry at the World Cup
- 36 "Stuart Little" author
- 40 Prefix with cycle
- 41 Red ink
- 43 Singer Peggy or comic-book writer Stan
- 44 Winner's gesture
- 46 Warrior on the court, for short
- 48 Given temporarily
- 49 "The Greatest Show on Earth" producer/director
- 53 Bolts and ties the knot?
- 54 Ltr. holder
- 55 Cleo's killer
- 58 Talks like Daffy
- 59 Apiculturist ... and, playfully, what 16-, 22-, 36- or 49-Across is
- 62 \_\_\_ Park, Colorado
- 63 Ultimatum close
- 64 Marathon segment
- 65 Top of the line

**tion phrase**

- 25 Mine, to Marcel
- 26 GI gone missing
- 27 Piano recital piece, e.g.
- 32 Recipe tester, facetiously
- 33 "Picnic" playwright
- 34 Discovery
- 37 Says too much
- 38 Lawn intruder
- 39 Develop slowly
- 42 Bit, as of news
- 45 Cantina condiment

- 47 "God \_\_\_ America"
- 48 Like chain rings
- 49 Hollywood VIP
- 50 Beethoven dedicatee
- 51 Expenses
- 52 1980s attorney general Edwin
- 56 Wall Street bear's suggestion
- 57 Mice, to owls
- 59 One placed in Vegas
- 60 Yale alum
- 61 Grounded Aussie bird

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- 66 Bound with rope
- 67 "This could get \_\_\_"

**Down**

- 1 Bawdy
- 2 (See other side)
- 3 Bootees
- 4 Close or complete
- 5 Selfie video device
- 6 Crazy as \_\_\_
- 7 Enjoy the slopes
- 8 Guys
- 9 Make bootees, perhaps
- 10 Aware of
- 11 Situation before a two-run homer
- 12 Actor Luke or Matthew
- 15 Quarterback Favre
- 17 Hazardous
- 21 Bull's sound
- 23 Clickable address
- 24 Start of a party invita-

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