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Perrault ready to run, but not ready to campaign

'I must finish my mandate before campaigning for another'

By Rita Legault
 SHERBROOKE

Now that Chamber of Commerce manager Hélène Gravel has officially tossed her hat into the ring for a fall election, Sherbrooke Mayor Jean Perrault said he's not surprised he will have some competition for the mayoral seat.

"We've known for months she was seeking support for her candidacy," Perrault said, noting that the organization behind Gravel is the same one that worked for his adversaries in the last two mayoral races. "There is therefore no surprise in this announcement."

Perrault told The Record he did not expect to be elected by acclamation.

"I believe in the democratic process where people offer their services to the population and citizens get to choose," he commented.

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Mineral fair vendors reject name change for Asbestos

By Stephen McDougall
 SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

The recent proposal to change the name of the town of Asbestos in order to attract more visitors and businesses was given a large thumbs down by vendors at last weekend's annual Asbestos mineralogical fair.

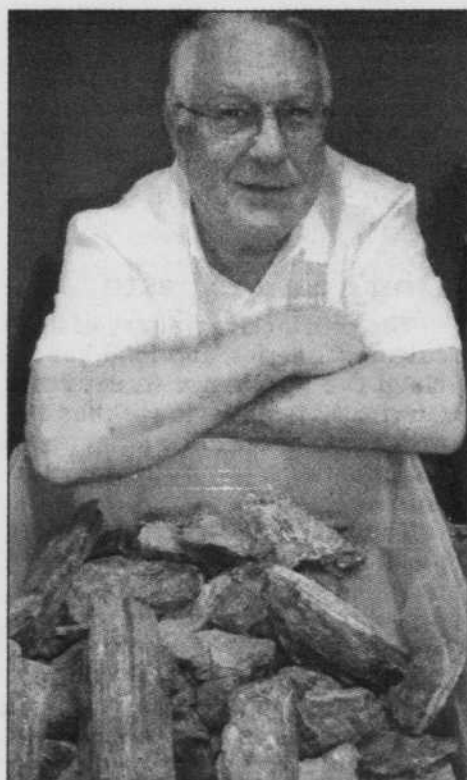
"I would feel very sad if people here did this," said Charles Klemens, a mineral collector, jeweler and vendor from Montreal who has attended the fair from its start 12 years ago.

"Asbestos is listed in mineralogical books and journals all over the world. The Livre Vert des Minéraux from France points out that Asbestos has its own distinct minerals and rock formations that cannot be found anywhere else in the world.

"If you eliminate the town's name, those mineral listings could be lost to many collectors."

Klemens argued that a name change could also affect the future of the fair, because many collectors and enthusiasts come to Asbestos to look for new mineral

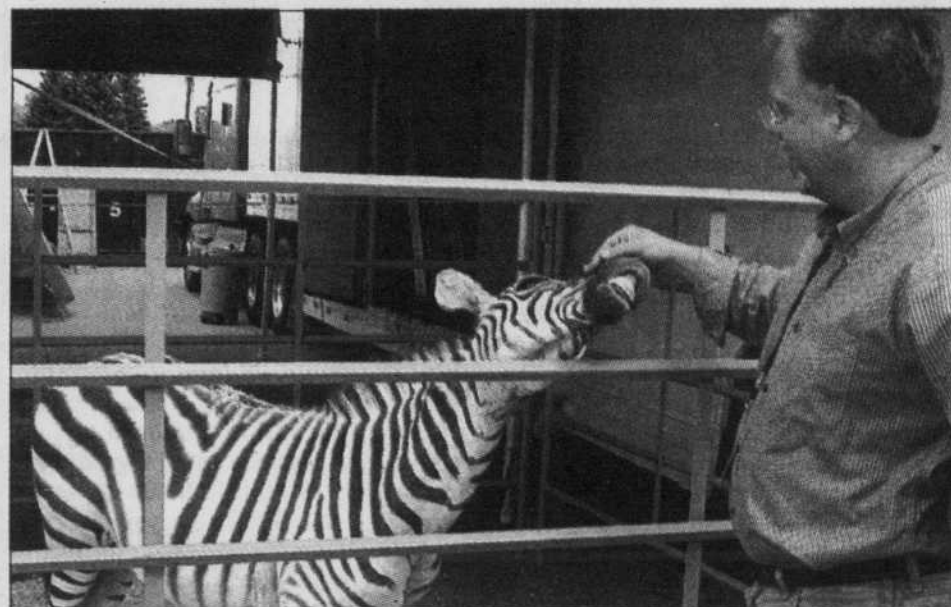
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STEPHEN MCDUGALL/SPECIAL

Pierre Bonin with serpentine rocks he has collected near the mines in Asbestos and Thetford.

Animal rights group protests against circus



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

This zebra is one of several animals to be featured in the Shrine Circus.

By Brion Robinson
 SHERBROOKE

Animal rights activists are cracking the whip on venues that host circus events featuring animals, and the Quatre Saisons mall in Sherbrooke is on

their hit list.

This week the mall parking lot will stage two shows of the Shrine Circus complete with elephants, a zebra and boxing kangaroos.

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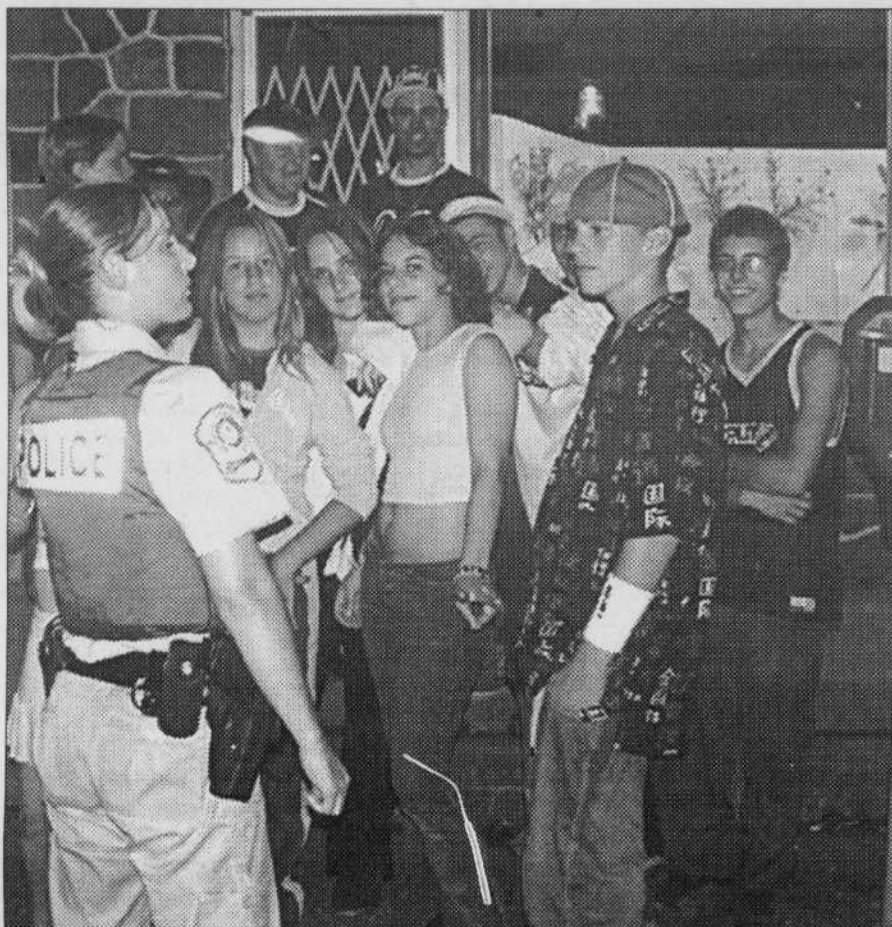
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A police officer is seen here deep in discussion with teenagers as part of the SQ's and Brome-Missisquoi MRC's joint campaign in July to reduce loitering and vandalism in the area.

According to the Brome-Missisquoi SQ, their joint campaign with the Brome-Missisquoi MRC in July to forge links between youth and police was a success. The theme of the month was loitering and vandalism, and police officers visited 25 parks and the youth centres in Bedford, Cowansville, Farnham, and the Town of Brome Lake for friendly discussions with youth in order to raise awareness about these problems. Throughout the month, 28 teens were ticketed for offences ranging from being in a park after 11 p.m. to urinating in public and injuring a law enforcement official. "This initiative allowed us to personally meet approximately 650 youths and to sensitize them regarding loitering and vandalism. We are confident that such meetings will have a positive effect on the rate of vandalism in the region and will help our young people to become better and more responsible citizens," said Sgt. Jacques Duchesneau of the Brome-Missisquoi division of the SQ.

Next month's theme of the SQ's "for you...near you" sensitization campaign is pedestrian crossings.

Georgeville gardeners compete for valuable prizes

Georgeville will be holding its sixth Horticultural Show on Saturday, Aug. 27, when the Murray Memorial Centre will be full of proud gardeners exhibiting their best vegetables and flowers. The show will be open to all from 2.30 pm to 5 p.m. Entrance is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children up to 15 years, and this will include a cream tea (scones, jam and cream with the tea).

Exhibitors will be competing for prizes donated by local merchants and garden suppliers in addition to trophies, the most important being the Community Association of Georgeville Trophy for the exhibitor with the highest number of points in the show. There will also be two door prizes, a brunch for two donated by Auberge Georgeville and a lunch for two donated by the Maison McGowan.

John Hoblyn, Hon. Show Secretary, says that all ages will find classes to enter from artichokes to zucchinis, herbs, roses, flower arrangements, plus six classes specifically for children, including one for vegetable sculptures.

This is an event for the whole family.

Don't eat the pesto

The provincial ministry of agriculture, fisheries, and food has advised the public not to eat Pesto Quatre Noix et Fromage (Basilic) purchased at Sutton's Rumeur Afamée between July 4 and Aug. 3 inclusive.

The product - which comes in plastic packaging of various sizes - contains an ingredient that might be infected with Cyclospora, a micro-organism parasite whose consumption poses a threat to human health. No illnesses have yet been reported, but anyone who has

bought the product should throw it out or return it to La Rumeur Afamée, which is proceeding voluntarily with the recall.

SPA needs temporary homes for puppies and kittens

Sherbrooke's society for the protection of animals is asking people to open their homes to homeless kittens.

There is an overflow of animals and the SPA doesn't have enough space to take care of their kittens under eight weeks old. The society is asking people to take care of these kittens and/or puppies until they're old enough to go up for adoption. Dogs and cats with health problems are also available for temporary parents. For more information call 819-821-4727 and press option 8.

Recall on slow cooker

Sears Canada has been advised by The Holmes Group Inc., manufacturer of the Rival 4.5-quart slow cooker, that the handles on the base of the slow cookers can break, posing a risk of burns from hot contents spilling out.

There are three models affected by this recall - model number 5445-BC, sold from June 2002 to December 2004, with a four digit date code between 1902 and 3504, and model numbers 3040-SM and 5025-WN, sold from January 2002 - December 2004, with a four digit date code between 1902 and 3504. The model number is located on the plug of the slow cooker and the date code is stamped on the prong of the plug.

Although there have been no reported injuries, customers who have an affected slow cooker, should return it to Sears as soon as possible for a full refund. Sears Canada will be posting signs in all of its retail stores to advise customers of this safety issue.

Weather

Today: Cloudy with sunny periods. 40 percent chance of showers. High 21.

Wednesday: Cloudy. Low 10. High 22.

Thursday: Sunny. Low 11. High 24.

Friday: Sunny. Low 10. High 25.

Ben by Daniel Shelton



City should beware of message and a bottle

Drinking water is safe and does not need to be treated - engineer

By Rita Legault
SHERBROOKE

The head of Sherbrooke's environmental and water division insists Sherbrooke's drinking water is of excellent quality and that citizens who are hooked up to the city's water supply do not need a water treatment or purification system.

Michel Cyr was reacting to a company that has been going door to door in the Mount Bellevue sector of town offering free water tests to citizens. A message with a bottle invites people to collect a sample for a free test.

A communiqué from the City of Sherbrooke notes the city is not associated with the company Eagle, and notes cryptically the company has commercial motives. Translated, that means the company is trying to sell something.

"To avoid any confusion, know that this is a private enterprise that is not linked to any activity from the

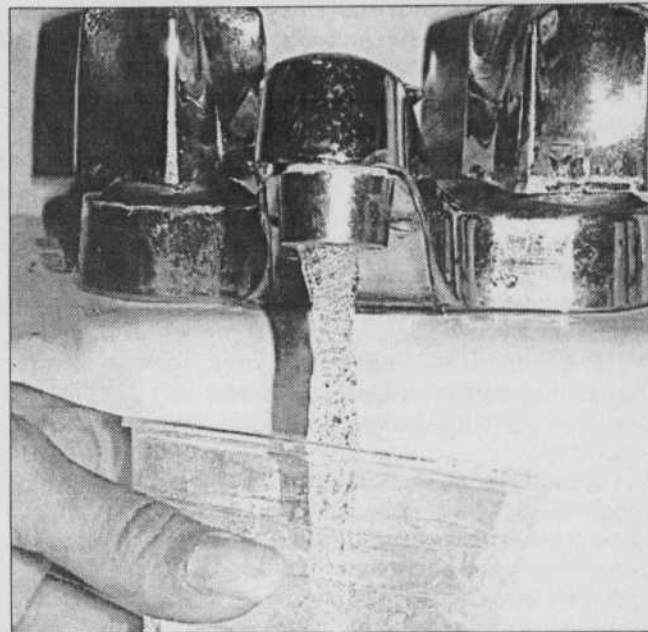
city's environment division. It has no mandate from the City of Sherbrooke and does not represent any municipal service," states the communiqué, inviting residents to carefully read the company's message before deciding to get their water treated.

"Sherbrooke's water is of excellent quality and residents don't need a treatment system," Cyr told The Record.

Cyr said some rural residents of Sherbrooke have artesian wells and can choose to have their water tested and install a purification system - but that most of the city is hooked up to water that is treated. In the last few days, Eagle has been visiting neighborhoods that are hooked up to the city's water main.

Water for most of the former City of Sherbrooke, Fleurimont, Ascot, Rock Forest, Deauville and parts of St-Élie get their water from the centre of Lake Memphremagog. Former Bromptonville townfolk and the rest of St-Élie get their water from Lake Montjoye, while Lennoxville residents get their drinking water from three wells located on the town limits with Waterville.

All the water is treated, tested and safe to drink.



RITA LEGAULT

Sherbrooke's drinking water does not require testing.

ASBESTOS:

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and rock finds. "This town has a reputation that could be lost," he said.

Pierre Bonin, a rock collector and seller from Trois Rivières, agrees.

"It will confuse a lot of people if the name is changed," he said.

"What would be the benefit of changing the name?"

It would mean the town becomes more obscure. It would not help the town get any new visitors."

The name-change idea was made earlier this year by members of the local Chamber of Commerce. They maintained the word Asbestos has too many negative connotations because some asbestos types not mined here have been linked to lung diseases for decades. One of the advocates for a different name is Chamber president Jean-Philippe Bachand, who is seeking the mayor's office in the upcoming November municipal elections.

"The word asbestos is an irritant," he said earlier this year. "You can't hide from it."

But his arguments were met with resistance from fair vendors and visitors alike last Saturday.

Bonin said he has visited the town for several years, especially during the fair, and does not have fear when he hears the town's name.

"I do not fear asbestos," he said.

"We have been coming here for years and we are not dead or sick. It is the people from the U.S. and England who are afraid of the mineral and they have never been here."

Jean-Pierre Desfossés, an Asbestos resident who works at the town's Jeffrey asbestos mine when it is in operation, said changing the name cannot hide the fact the fireproof mineral is extracted here.

"If you lift the name, how do you hide the mine from visitors," he asked.

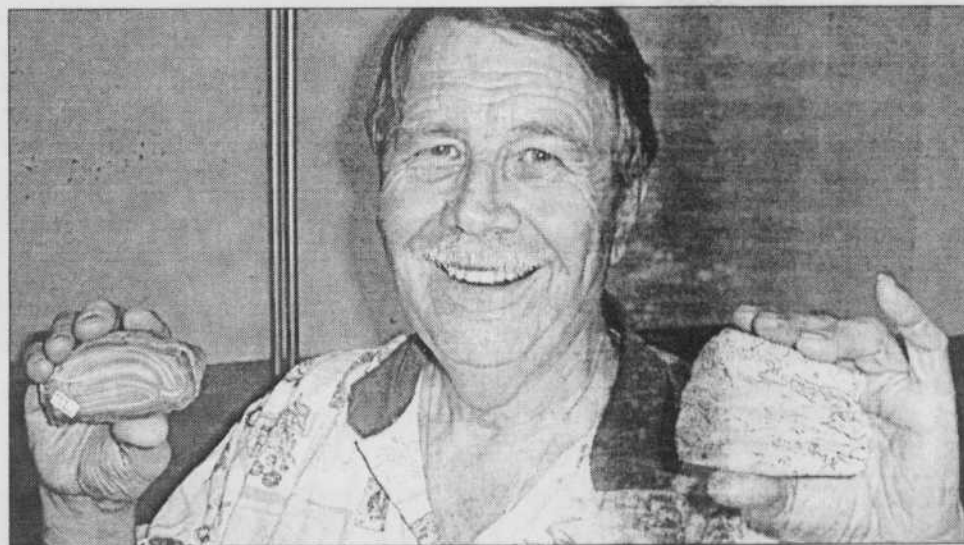
"Do you cover the big open pit with a giant tarp and hope nobody notices?"

Fair vendor Denis Allie argued if the name change is accepted, then the other asbestos mining town of Thetford Mines would also have to find a new moniker.

"Thetford Mines is also known for its asbestos mines, but no one there is thinking of a new name," he said. "Many of the people who come to this fair are tourists, and I have not heard one of them saying they are afraid of this mineral."

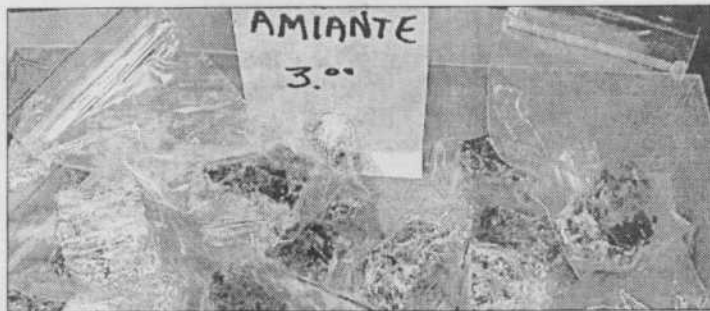
Réjean Gauthier, who runs the Petit Trésor store in Danville, said rejecting the Asbestos name is denying a large part of the area's history.

"It will not do much good," he said. "I have chrysotile asbestos mineral rocks on display here, as do many other vendors, and no one is afraid to look and touch them."



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Mineral vendor Charles Klemens shows off rocks from Hungary and Argentina.



STEPHEN MCDUGALL

Many collectors seek out the name.



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130 wine and cheese producers will celebrate harvest

By Giancarlo La Giorgia

Wine and cheese lovers, grab a baguette and dust off your drinking caps: the 12th annual Fête des Vendages Magog-Orford is only two weeks away.

The Fête, also known as the Wine Harvest Festival, assembles over 130 local wine and cheese makers, as well as local, artisanal food, arts and crafts, cider and beer producers, under a huge tent at Point Merry, in Magog.

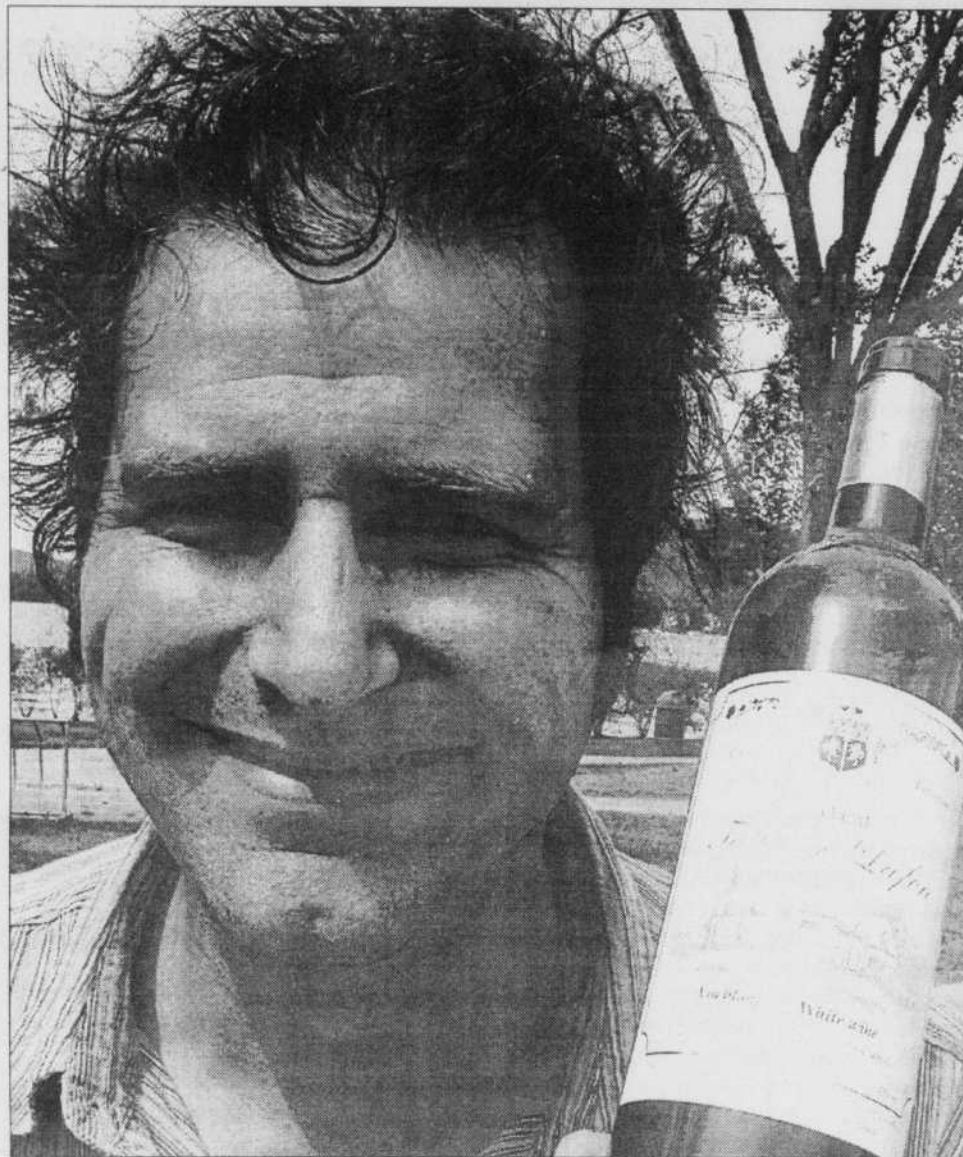
The festival offers visitors a panoply of tastes and tipples of Quebec's terroir, as well as a petting zoo and activities for children.

"I'm pleased to say that visitors to this year's festival will get a real showcase of the best wines and cheeses in the province — and they get to meet the people who make these products in person," said Jean-François Demers, a wine columnist for Le Devoir, TVA and Radio-Canada, and the festival's spokesperson.

Demers, a Montreal native, has long been a student of the art of winemaking. He has lived and practiced viticulture in France, but says that the really interesting developments in the wine production are right here in Quebec.

"Winemaking has been going through a transformation in Quebec since it began 30 years ago, from growing wine grapes as more or less a tourist attraction, to a true winemaking enterprise," he said, adding that he "can't wait to see what the industry in 30 years from now."

Due to the province's cold climate and short growing season, making wine — especially in great quantity — is not an easy task. However, Demers stressed that



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

There will be plenty to smile about at this year's Wine Harvest Festival.

producers of whites, rosés and particularly ice wines, have been concentrating on increasing the quality of their products.

Indeed, he considers some of the region's ice wines to be among the best in the world, even if the relatively tiny number of bottles currently produced excludes them from making a dent in the world market.

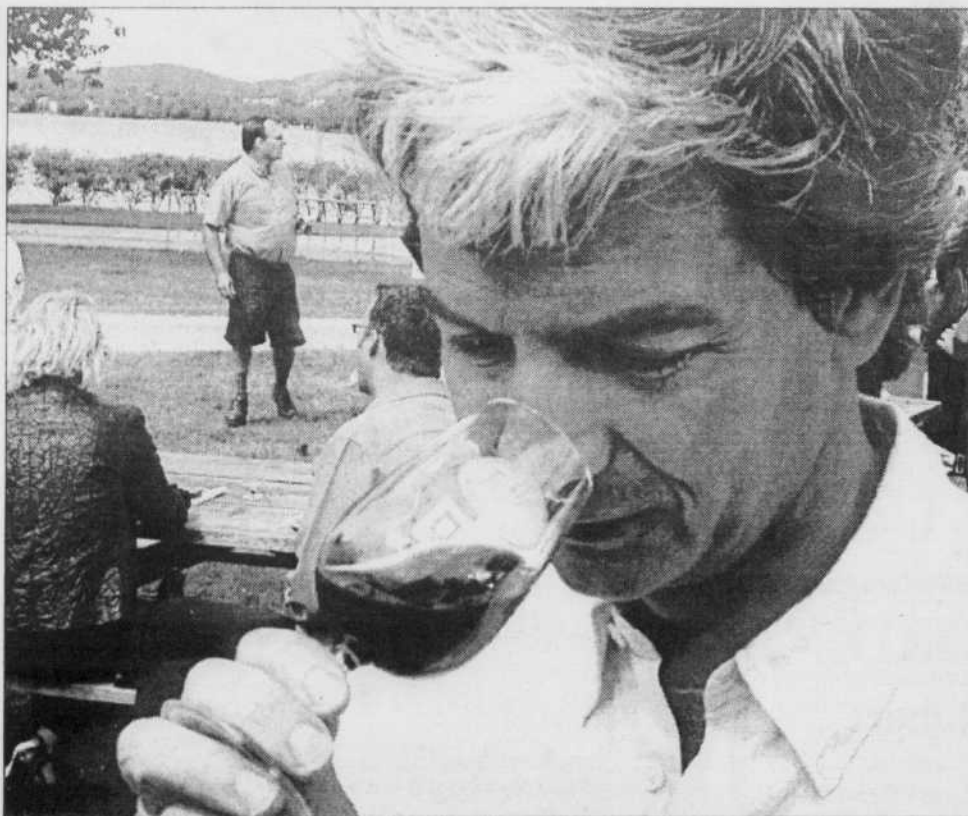
Despite some of its faults, Demers credited the Société des Alcools du Québec (SAQ) for spawning a province of wine connoisseurs, with a global palate — something that works to the advantage of local producers.

"In Burgundy, few people drink Bordeaux wine, and [vice-versa]. Here, we go to an SAQ store and there are wines from every corner of the Earth, including Quebec. People are more open-minded."

Demers asks wine lovers, amateur and connoisseurs alike to visit the Fête des Vendages to learn the story behind their favourite wines from the makers themselves, as well as to learn about new wines they may not find at their local SAQ.

He also encourages people to tell wine makers what they really think about their product, whether good or bad, so that future batches can be refined and improved.

The Fête des Vendages kicks off on Sept. 2 with a Medieval Ball, continuing all Labour Day weekend, until Sept. 5. It returns the following weekend on Sept. 10 and 11. Tickets range from \$5, which grants visitors access to the exhibits, to a \$15 package, which includes a wine glass and 12 wine and cider sampling coupons.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Wine lovers will be asked to tell vineyard operators what they like - or don't like - about the wines they sample.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Music is a big part of the festivities.

Casella offers wetland for permission to expand

By Robin Smith
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD
NEWPORT, VT.

Officials with the Coventry landfill have offered to improve a local wetland at the head of Lake Memphremagog if allowed to fill in an acre and a half of wetland at the landfill.

The offer came as the landfill company seeks approval to empty out the old unlined Nadeau dump that sits between its Coventry landfill and the Black River Wetlands Complex.

Vermont officials wanted the old dump cleaned up to improve water quality near the wetlands and the watershed of international Lake Memphremagog. The landfill owner was required to seek permission to clean up the old landfill as part of its most recent expansion.

Quebec and Vermont officials, plus representatives of Memphremagog Conservation Inc. and the Magoog municipal regional commission, toured the landfill Thursday as part of the request for

permission to work within a buffer zone near the wetlands.

Ingrid Christman of Derby represented MCI. David Curry represented the MRC.

The old dump is capped but lies right at the edge of the wetlands, according to Dori Barton, wetlands expert with Arrowwood Environmental, a firm working for Casella Waste Systems. Casella owns New England Waste Services of Vermont (NEWS-VT), which runs the landfill.

Newport City manager John Ward Jr., who is a member of MCI, asked Casella to trade wetland for wetland.

"We've done a lot of damage to the natural wetlands here," Ward said, referring to the historic filling in at Gardner Park and other locations around South Bay and the lake in Newport City. "We want mitigation."

"We've got plenty of places where you could spend your money," he said. Local people would be very unhappy if wetland mitigation happened outside

the watershed, Ward said.

Larry Lackey of Casella said the company is willing to work with Ward and others to find a suitable wetland to improve in exchange for space near the landfill.

The landfill, the largest in Vermont, has permits to handle 370,000 tons of trash a year, and already hosts a 4 megawatt methane-powered generation plant for Washington Electric Cooperative utility in Vermont.

Experts say the landfill is in a prime location because of clay soils, but borders the wetlands and the river. Some 140,000 Quebecers draw drinking water downstream from Lake Memphremagog.

Casella proposes to empty out the Nadeau landfill, moving the 30-year-old waste into several new double-lined cells to the west. Those cells would need an acre and a half of drier wetlands at the edge of the landfill.

The wetlands in question are best viewed as a buffer between functioning

wetlands with fish and wildlife and the landfill.

Currently, Vermont requires a 300-foot buffer zone near wetlands. The old landfill has no buffer. But the old dump was filled right up to the landfill.

Casella engineer Matthew Poirier said that large a buffer would not be cost effective. Casella proposes a 100-foot buffer, which Poirier said is better than the current situation.

This is the first in a series of hearings as Casella seeks a multitude of Vermont permits, as well as permission from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, for this expansion project.

The most recent expansion plan was approved, except for an appeal over long-range monitoring by state officials.

Lackey and Curry said they have been meeting regularly about the landfill management.

To comment about the wetlands issue, contact the Vermont waste management division at 802-241-3888 before Sept. 15.

CIRCUS:

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The People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals PETA are sending letters to all venues that host the Shrine Circus and other animal acts claiming they are abusive to animals.

Pierre Paquette, administrator for the Quatre Saisons mall in Sherbrooke received such a letter last week, but it hasn't changed his mind.

In an interview outside one of the tents where four elephants are tied to small iron posts eating hay, Paquette said the Zerbini Circus, which is contracted by the Shriners to provide the circus acts, has hundreds of years experience in the business and takes good care of their animals.

"I've spent a lot of time with these people and they know what they're doing," he said, noting he makes frequent tours of the circus grounds and has never seen any animal cruelty.

Paquette said the animals are treated well and there is no danger to spectators.

"I wouldn't want them here if I thought they were dangerous," he said.

But Lisa Wathne, captive exotic animal specialist for PETA who wrote the letter, said the circus has a horrible track record.

"Tarzan Zerbini's circus has a very poor record of animal care," she said. PETA has a list citing about a dozen incidents which

range from a bear biting off a girl's finger to children getting hurt while riding an elephant.

The latest incident occurred in early 2005 when an elephant trainer was trampled to death while the animals were being loaded into a trailer after a performance at the Mizpah Shrine Circus in the United States.

"Any wild animal is always dangerous," she said. "Extreme confinement can be frustrating for them and they take the opportunity to escape."

Wathne said the letters are a way of informing venue managers about the dangers of animal cruelty.

"We're hoping to convince them this is the last time," Wathne said.

Patricia Zerbini, daughter of the circus owner and ninth generation of the Zerbini circus family, shrugs off the list of incidents and injuries.

After being asked a second time about the fatal accident earlier this year she said it was a "freak accident."

Zerbini said the trainer slipped and knocked himself out while loading the elephants onto the trailer. She added a representative from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) on site said nothing was done wrong.

Zerbini said the circus takes very good care of all its animals.

"Everything revolves around them," she said, noting they get regular visits from the Society for Prevention of cruelty towards animals on all their stops (the Sherbrooke chapter hadn't yet visited the circus at the time of the inter-

view.)

Zerbini said it's unfortunate that some animal rights groups pick on circuses just to make money from donations.

"They're making millions of dollars playing on people's sympathies," she said. "It's just a ploy."

The elephants are by far the largest animals at the circus. They travel in large trailers and can be on the road up to eight hours a day.

"It's really no different than traveling with horses," she said, noting they get treated much better than pigs and cattle that are jammed into trailers.

The elephants are on the road from seven to eight months throughout the year. When they're not traveling with the circus they're spending time with about 30 other "retired elephants" on Zerbini's 40-acre ranch in Florida.

"I think what people don't understand is that we've learned how to take care of elephants through circuses," she said. "People never hear the good things."

Despite the concerns of animal rights groups like PETA, the Shriners will continue to organize circus tours as long as people want to see them. Most of the money collected at the events ends up in the coffers of the circus and the Shriners' Fraternity which provides some of the funding for the Shriners' Hospital through gifts, wills and charitable donations.

"If people tell us they don't want us to use animals we won't use them," said William Pitts, executive director of the Shriners' Quebec fraternity.

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PERRAULT:

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Perrault said Sherbrooke constituents will have to choose the best person to lead what may soon be the sixth largest city in the province. He notes that while the City of Sherbrooke has grown by some 3,000 to 4,000 people since the merger, while the population of sixth place Saguenay has been slowly dwindling.

In a dig to his opponent in a communiqué Monday, Perrault noted: "the most important qualities to lead the 7th largest city in Quebec are: competence, experience and past achievements."

Despite his campaign-style comments, Perrault remarked it's too early to start campaigning and that he and other councillors still have lots of work to do before completing their current mandate. Perrault said he was reacting to media requests for comments on Gravel's candidacy and that he is not

ready to campaign yet.

"As far as I'm concerned the campaign has not started. Council is still in action. The executive committee too. I must finish my mandate before campaigning for another."

Perrault said he will await the right time to present his accomplishments over the past four years as mayor of the new City of Sherbrooke as well as his promises for a next mandate.

Perrault, who announced in May he would run again, notes that candidates can file their papers starting Sept. 23. On Oct. 14, the deadline for candidates to come forward, council will be dissolved and the campaign will begin heating up.

In the meantime Gravel has officially resigned from her job so that she can run for mayor, Chamber president Nicolas Lemay announced Monday.

Gravel handed in her letter of resignation last Friday, Lemay said in a press release which thanked Gravel for her excellent work over the last

FOREST FIRE IN SUTTON

Sutton firefighters had their hands full Sunday afternoon as they battled a forest fire on Mont Sutton without water. A hiker noticed the fire and alerted firefighters at about 12:30 p.m. The fire ravaged a 400 square metre swath of forest before firefighters were able to contain it by cutting down trees along its perimeter.

Patrick Larose of the Sutton firefighters unit said the fire was probably set by another hiker.

Community Forum

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Colour blind?

DEAR EDITOR,

I found Tom Kavanagh's attack on George W. Bush (August 16) so abusive that I failed to read it carefully. So I thank K. F. Shottling (Letter, August 22) for pointing out Mr. Kavanagh's mistake in referring to former US Secretary of State Colin Powell as "Clayton Powell." Mr Shottling generously attributes the error to lack of knowledge.

Mr. Kavanagh does not lack knowledge but, like most educated left-wing liberals, cannot handle what he already knows. In this case he is aware that Colin Powell is, and the late (Adam) Clayton Powell was, black, hence, in his unconscious mind, both the same.

Mr. Kavanagh is not alone in seeing a man as a member of a race rather than as an individual. Some while back, then vice-president Al Gore was guest at a gala football match in Washington, D.C. As part of the half-time proceedings, he delivered a speech following another guest, basketball great Michael Jordan. But first he decided to ad lib a remark showing he was just one of the boys and exclaimed, "Hey! How d'ya like that Michael Jackson, huh!" Both Michaels are black. But since the media are so relentlessly biased in favour of left-wing liberals, the embarrassing incident, although seen and heard by over ten thousand fans, was covered up and never made it into the mainstream press and TV channels.

LIONEL ALBERT
Knowlton

Editor's note: Perhaps he simply got the name wrong. It happens to the best of us. The columnist's name is Tom Cavanagh.

What's the story on purple plants?

DEAR EDITOR,

I appreciate the various articles dealing with the environment that the Record has published and would like to suggest one more. I'd like to know more about what I think might be the purple loosestrife flower that is springing up around the Townships. Whereas even three or four years ago, one rarely saw this plant, now it can be seen frequently in ditches, wetlands, the autoroute median and pastures. It has bright purple flowers on a long spiky stem (not to be confused with fireweed which is also purple but does not seem to be invasive.)

I have always heard that loosestrife as its name implies is an invasive plant that competes with and can choke out our own native flowers. It definitely seems to be competing with the bulrushes and grasses that line many of our roads and provide food and nesting grounds for birds and other animals and insects. I've also heard that it dries up swamps and wetlands. If so, this plant could be a threat to our local ecology and we need to think of ways to limit its spread. For example, should people be planting it in their gardens as they seem to be doing in increasing numbers? Does it have any natural predators?

Perhaps Anna May Kinney would like to look into this or maybe people in the various conservation organizations or local biologists would like to comment.

KATHRYN BILLANE
Lennoxville

Isn't it time to clear the air?

It is now two months since Record readers learned that the Wales Home in Richmond had lost its executive director. To put it in the bluntest terms, he was fired.

As I read the Record's June 23 report, the reason stressed for the director's sudden removal was his inadequate French. Well now; that bell just didn't ring true - and still doesn't. How could such a handicap, if valid, not come to light until two years after the man was hired? His level of competence in French had to have been assessed at the time of his engagement. No wonder so many insist that there is more to this story than what meets the public eye.

Involvement in a Wales Home committee these last twenty years or so takes me nowhere beyond the outermost fringes of the Home's management, but it does mean that I have come to appreciate a little of the executive director's efforts to steer the Home into operating by 21st century standards. This is perhaps best reflected right now in the Home's efforts to earn the accreditation all institutions like the Wales Home will soon require in order to operate - efforts that will suffer with no executive director in place.

I am reminded of this uncomfortable situation every time I step out my front door. The Wales Home is part of the

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view and, since I cannot remember a time without a relative or a friend among either the residents or the employees there, the Home has always been a part of my life. Perhaps readers will understand, then, that it is more than an uninterested observer who asks whether it is in the Wales Home's best interests to treat the institution's highest ranking employee's dismissal as a secret.

One thing that most certainly is not a secret is that the Wales Home relies very heavily on the good will of the public to survive and serve people who really need the care they receive there. Anyone at all familiar with the institution knows it accommodates residents in facilities from apartments to infirmary, whatever their means, and relies on a sympathetic and generous public to make that possible. It is vital, then, that the public has confidence in the institution and, if my limited contacts reflect in any real way how the public looks upon the Wales Home right now, the silence surrounding this situation shakes that confidence to the bone. It scares me when people assert that their donations are on hold until a credible explanation for this dismissal is forthcoming.

Isn't it time to clear the air?

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Handy with a hammer *and* needle

At 91, Gladys Thompson struggles with intermittent flare-ups of dermatomyositis, but during an interview in her Peterborough, Ontario apartment, she reminisced happily about the 30 years she spent in the Townships.

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Born in Mansonville, she was the second eldest of a family of nine. When she was still little more than an infant, her parents Clint and Ruby Sherrer moved their family to a rented farm near Abercorn, then purchased a farm in an area known as The Pinnacle. Thompson described her formal education in a few brief words.

"I went to the Pinnacle School, and did my 8th grade in Dunham. That was all the education I had."

"I wanted to go for a nurse, and I had the chance to go, but they wouldn't let me," she recalled. "My dad's cousin was a nurse in Cowansville, and she said I could work for board for her mother, and do some training, but it was a long way to go by horse and buggy"

Thompson's dream of receiving formal training may have been dashed, but the practical experience she gained proved to be almost limitless.

"I went out doing housework for this one and that one. People would have a baby, and my mother would send me to help them for 50 cents or something like that," she recalled. "For maybe two or three weeks at a time, I'd do the dishes, get the meals on, make the beds, and sweep the floors. Then, when they started having all the kids, my mother needed me at home. I guess the reason I like



DEVON WILKINS

Gladys Thompson, 91, has fond memories of growing up in the Townships.

a rocking chair so much is that I sat under all those kids," she mused.

Eventually, Thompson moved to Brigham to look after a woman who was ill, and it was there she met Stuart Thompson, her future husband.

During their rather long engagement, Stuart continued working on his father's farm, but Gladys wanted a change of pace, and took a job at a needle factory in Bedford.

Eventually, Stuart's legs began to give out despite the fact that he was still a young man. On his doctor's advice, he left the farm, and took his young family to Peterborough, where he quickly land-

ed a job at General Electric. Gladys busied herself looking after their young son, Bob, and preparing for the birth of their daughter, Carol.

While the children were still quite young, her husband developed further medical complications, and had to leave his job. But he and Gladys both enjoyed the challenge of fixing, and even building houses. They purchased property on Rice Lake, near Peterborough, and it wasn't long before they owned a lodge.

"I fed anywhere from 20 to 40 men," Thompson said. "And then we had nine cottages, and Stuart had lots of boats that he rented out. We had people

there from all over the States - Illinois, Ohio, and Indiana."

When son Bob left home, and daughter Carol had completed the nursing training that her mother never received, the Thompsons continued to spend summers at the lodge, and for several years, wintered in Arizona.

"We used to buy an old house on a good street, and fix it all up, because they were terrible when we bought them," she explained. "We'd work at it, and fix it up, and sell it so we could buy another one. But when the children finished school, we didn't need a house, so we sold it."

With the money from the house, the couple purchased a car and a trailer, and took friends up on their invitation to visit them in Arizona. Eventually, they purchased a trailer near Masa and for the next seven years, the couple travelled between their lodge on Rice Lake, and their trailer in Arizona. Often, though, their trips south were cut short because of illness. When it did, Stuart and Gladys remained in Peterborough where they enjoyed dancing, carpet bowling, lawn bowling, golfing, curling, and volunteering for Peterborough area nursing-homes until Stuart's death eleven years ago. Today, Thompson does a great deal of sewing, and has sold some of the quilts she has made while enjoying the company of her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

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Antique car buffs flock to Richmond for first event

By Claudia Villemaire
Special to The Record

Organizers of the first Antique Car Festival here are resting on their laurels this week as they look back at their first efforts to bring antique car buffs to the area.

The idea was a result of the Proulx Antique Car museum opening here in early summer sparking local interest and drawing antique car buffs from across the region. The weekend event, which included a 'collector' show in the Notre Dame school with participants and their spiffy, restored vehicles lined up in the school yard caught the attention of over 2,000 people in spite of sporadic showers and menacing skies.

Main street corners were lined three-deep to watch the first parade of this kind wind its way around town. Saturday about 60 participants took part in the parade which gave viewers a glimpse of the past glory of such vehi-

cles as MGs, Rolls Royce and the American manufacturers early models. Vintage ranged from the early 1900s to 1980s. Sunday, in spite of morning showers 120 car owners turned up on the exhibition field.

Martin Lafleur heading up the organizing committee was happy with the outcome of this first attempt to get some sort of festival going here and admitted this success had already motivated organizers to begin planning for another similar show next year.

Spectators were also pleased with the car show where collectors could purchase a variety of models or lapel pins and buttons, decals, posters or just about anything connected to this hobby, and chat with vintage car owners too.



CLAUDIA VILLEMAIRE

Even Richmond Mayor Marc Andre Martel brought out his vintage auto.

Fair tradition goes on despite some bad weather

By Claudia Villemare
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

In spite of menacing clouds overhead, occasional showers between sunny intervals, Cookshire fair organizers here were quite satisfied with attendance at their 160th county fair.

"I would say it has been better than average," vice president Tom Bown remarked Sunday afternoon. "We were a bit worried when it started raining sporadically Friday but folks came out anyway."

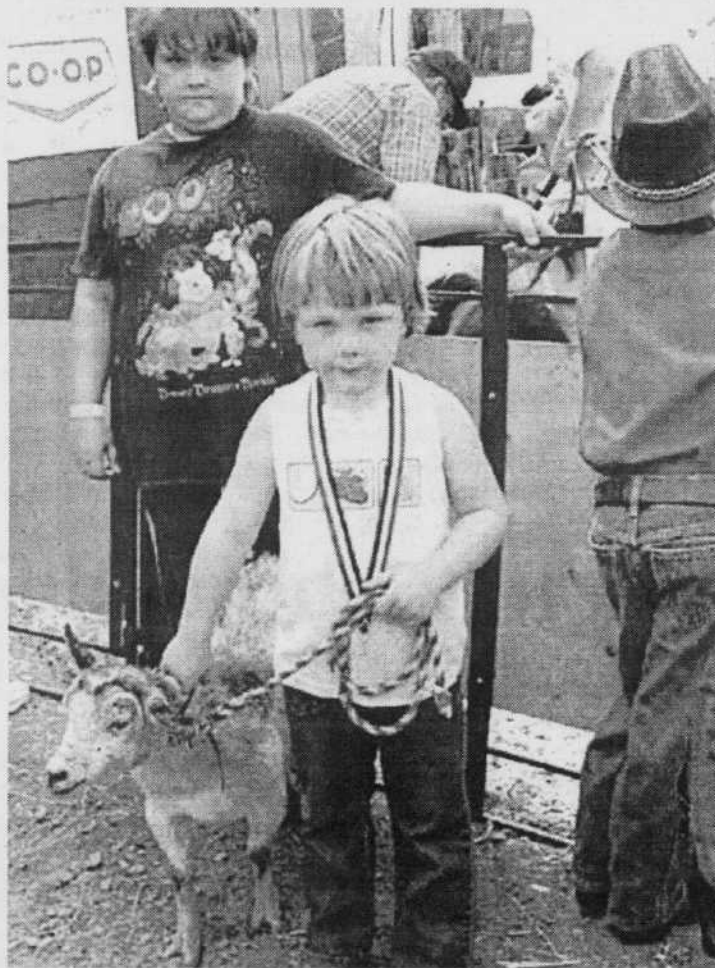
The Cookshire Fair is one of very few left that can be called a 'people' fair. It's not a big event with all the trappings of regional or provincial exhibitions, but what it lacks in size is more than made up by the hospitality and friendliness visitors find wherever they wander on these grounds. Families meet here as they have done for generations and it's not unusual to see four of those generations enjoying their yearly event.

Past, living presidents were honoured at this 160th exhibition, receiving a medallion specially struck for the occasion. Grandstand spectators were treated to exceptional classes of heavy horses with up to nine competitors in double team events. Out in the light horse ring, a full slate of events and competitors wound up their activities in time for the traditional parade on Sunday - sheep, cattle, horses and ponies, in every size and color showed off to a full grandstand then the crowning event of this year's fair, the six-horse hitch, made their final appearance.

Finally, all the ribbons were awarded, the last competition completed, the moments of nostalgia, the special presentations in memory of past exhibitors and another county fair in Cookshire came to a close with the traditional horse-pulling competition.

"It's quite amazing," Bown said. "We thought Friday would be a write-off. Menacing skies in the afternoon seemed to warn of heavy rain."

But folks began to trickle through the gates, the few sprinkles of rain stopped, people kept coming in and first thing we knew, this fair was well on its way to another great weekend. Of course, as the president said in his official opening, without all the volunteers, sponsors, community support, exhibitors and especially everyone who came out in spite of the weather, there just couldn't be a fair, so thank you to one and all."



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'New' antiques an attractive way to save planet

*'My work helps me feel like I am doing something to save the environment,' says
Blanchette*

By Jen Young
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

When diehard antiquers drive by an auction or a garage sale they have their eyes peeled for that one little trinket or piece of furniture that is a hidden treasure and worth a small fortune, but not Waterville's Jocelyn Blanchette.

He looks for pieces of furniture that he can turn into a new addition to any collection, and always proves to be a conversation piece all in an effort to save the environment.

"I am very concerned about the environment — so many architectural pieces, like doors and windows, are just thrown in the dump," said Blanchette, who moved to Waterville 10 years ago from Montreal. "I got the idea to take these old pieces of molding and cupboards when I was working with environmental groups in Montreal."

The very first piece of furniture he ever transformed from old to new was a cupboard set. In light of how much attention and how quickly it was sold he decided to continue recycling.

"People were very pleased and interested in my work so I began doing it full time," said the former Via Rail bartender. "I called my business Les meubles grand-pic because it makes me think of a woodpecker. They always use wood and they even make their homes with it."

Blanchette peruses auctions, garage sales, large article pick-ups, and recycling depots to find the perfect moldings and windows to make his next piece. However, he says it is the material that decides what that piece will be.

"I never really know what I will make at first," he said, finishing an armoire that stands over seven feet high.

"Once I have the material then it helps me decide what I will make. I have to see every piece and envision what would look the best. What's nice is when someone says that the armoire or the cupboards remind them of a family heirloom."

"What I make is kind of half antique, and each piece is unique."

Though he does not take orders for his country-style designed furniture, recycling and antique lovers can admire his pieces at Boutique Jonquille in Sherbrooke, Magog, and Drummondville.

To see some of Jocelyn Blanchette's furniture, go to <http://pages.videotron.com/armoire>.



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Bishop's Back In Business



JEN YOUNG/CORRESPONDENT

Winder Street left little room for travelers this past weekend as parents dropped off first and second-year Bishops' students. Dorms were buzzing with eager freshmen and accustomed second year students, and police say despite a couple of complaints for noise and mild traffic, the weekend went off without a hitch.

Harry will get you excited about school

Last week Good Reads tried to get parents inspired for the new school year. This week we have a tougher job: Inspiring the kids.

There's no better way to get into the school spirit than by reading about the most exciting school of all: Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. If you haven't already devoured the sixth installment of Harry Potter, come to the library and pick up a copy of *The Half-Blood Prince*.

Harry has made it through his O.W.L.s and is now in his N.E.W.T. year at Hogwarts. He begins the school year with the difficult task of coming to terms with Sirius Black's death. There is, of course, a new Defense Against the Dark Arts professor, but Good Reads is sworn to secrecy on who it is.

In this volume, J.K. Rowling's fiction-

al world has gotten much darker, as the threat of Voldemort's powers is now all too real. The atmosphere of foreboding even seeps into the Muggle world, where tragedies and so-called accidents have begun to occur at an alarming rate. Is it the work of Voldemort and his Death Eaters? Dumbledore thinks so.

Now that Lucius Malfoy has been put in prison, Harry fears that his son, Draco, has taken his place as a Death Eater and is trying to smuggle something dark and dangerous into Hogwarts.

Harry also begins private lessons with Dumbledore, but these merely involve stepping back in time to when Voldemort was a child. Why does Dumbledore think it so important that Harry see

this?

As always, there are numerous subplots. Ron has a new girlfriend, but it isn't Hermione, and she cannot control her jealousy towards him. Harry has been made Quidditch captain but must choose his teammates based on quality rather than friendship.

And, he is given a strange potions textbook filled with notations by a fellow who calls himself the half-blood prince. Who is this prince and how does he know so much about potion-making?

While this sixth book is as long as the others, there is never a dull moment (there were a few in the fourth and fifth books). This is easily the best written of the bunch. Prepare to be up late reading under your covers with a flashlight!

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—Submitted by Michelle Barker

Local rock bands raise the roof at The Piggery

By Jen Young

RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Not many would expect to attend a rock concert on a Tuesday night, but the spectators that did last week visibly enjoyed an entertaining rock-filled night.

"It's a good turn out for a Tuesday night," said concert co-organizer Sue Sarasin. "Last year we had Quebec Lodge campers here, but it's a good thing they weren't here this year or there wouldn't have been room for them."

First on stage were newcomers to the concert scene, Falling Short. The band had audience members bopping in their seats.

"I'm not a huge fan of performing in front of a sitting audience only because when we look out there isn't much energy we can use," said band-leader Mike Little. "It was a fun experience. One that we would do again in a second, and it left us with some good memories."

The young band showed incredible stage presence as they interacted with the audience on many occasions.

After the Compton band said their goodbyes and visitors took advantage of a brief intermission, North Hatley band Student Crossing introduced them to original tracks from their recent album and got toes tapping and hands clapping with covers from bands such as The Tragically Hip and Jet.

"We like playing at The Piggery. It's a great stage and the crowd is always good," said lead guitarist and vocalist



JEN YOUNG/CORRESPONDENT

Both Falling Short, with vocalist Sam Crooks, and Student Crossing gave stirring performances in North Hatley last week.

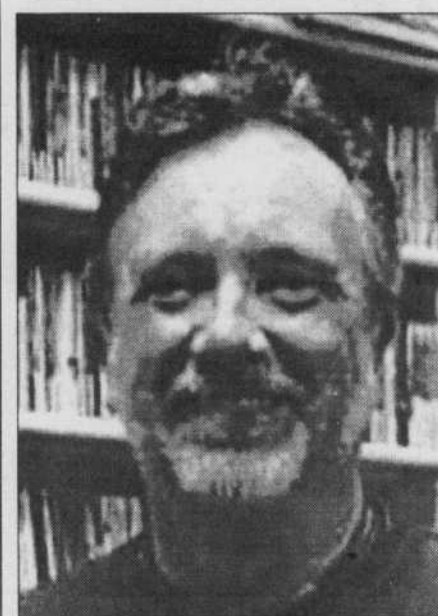
Kyle Young. "It was a great night. Falling Short did really well and kept the audience entertained and the crowd was really receptive and seemed to enjoy themselves."

Student Crossing drummer Chris Curtis was unable to carry out his duties because of a sore thumb following a farming accident. However, he couldn't miss the night and offered his help with sound and lights. In his place was Josh Somers, who has al-

ready played with the band during a competition, in which the group won.

The rocking good time was sponsored by ETFS, Gagnon, Guerin & Crook, Clark & Sons, Mechanique Fletcher, Auberge & Spa du Grand Lac, Tapioca B&B, Hovey Manor, Royal Bank, Dara Jane Loomis, Ben & Jerry's, and the Pilsen. Next on the theatre roster is a Sept. 10 pork barbecue. To make reservations call 819-842-2431.

CJMQ's David



JEN YOUNG/CORRESPONDENT

It was the sheer love of anglophone roots and community that persuaded David Teasdale to take on the huge responsibility of running the local campus radio station, CJMQ. And it's been the people that have kept him at it for three years. "The station was dying and I couldn't bear to see it go." Though the 40 volunteer hours a week have not been easy for him, and he has had to slow down from both the station and his full time job a little for the summer, he vows that his daily drive from his home in Sherbrooke is well founded. Teasdale says he will continue until the station has reached the potential that he is sure it can. "The anglophone community deserves to have its own public broadcasting system and I want to do everything I can to make sure they keep it."

Antique machinery exhibit helps share heritage

Over 1,000 visitors peruse antiques from over 50 exhibitors

By Jen Young
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Compton was smokin', steamin', and revin' last weekend as visitors lined the main street to catch a glimpse of antique engines, vehicles, and heavy machinery during the town's 13th annual antique machinery exposition.

Exhibitors from as far as Vermont set up items as old as the hills while local residents set up their heirlooms for visitors to admire and even learn from.

"This is a really old bone grinder that is between 50 and 100 years old," said 10-year-old Kalin Sarrasin, with five-year-old brother Zackery standing over old license plates, corn huskers, and an engine belonging to their father David. "My dad has a lot of antique things like this and I really like them too. I definitely think they are cool and I think that I was meant to work with these things too, but my arm is sore from showing everyone what they do."

Sarrasin explained that participating in the annual exhibit was like old hat to him, and it has become a tradition for the family, which organizing committee president Gordon Barnett says is the whole point of the event.

"The Eastern Townships are rich in history and heritage, and mechanics and equipment is definitely part of that," said Barnett, while greeting visitors on Sunday afternoon. "Heritage is

of public interest so that is why events such as these are so important. We want everyone to be able to share stories of the past and learn from them."

Tractors from every era were lined as far as the eye could see, as were everyday objects, such as chain saws, but Gilles Marcil's old time engine was an interesting new eye catcher.

"In the 1870s farming was very, very common. As they (engines) grew larger then (farmers) needed to come up with easier ways of running them," said the St-Hyacinthe resident standing beside a 1906 stationary engine. "They used water pumps and grinders everyday and all manually so in the 1900s these stationary engines were invented to help farmers. This one was the eighth one built in 1906. The engine produces its own water, as a car radiator does, so that it could be used away from water sources."

Tents and umbrellas littered the Compton Recre-Parc grounds, which came in handy on Sunday during a heavy rain shower, but the sun came out 10 minutes later and allowed visitors to continue on their walk through the past.

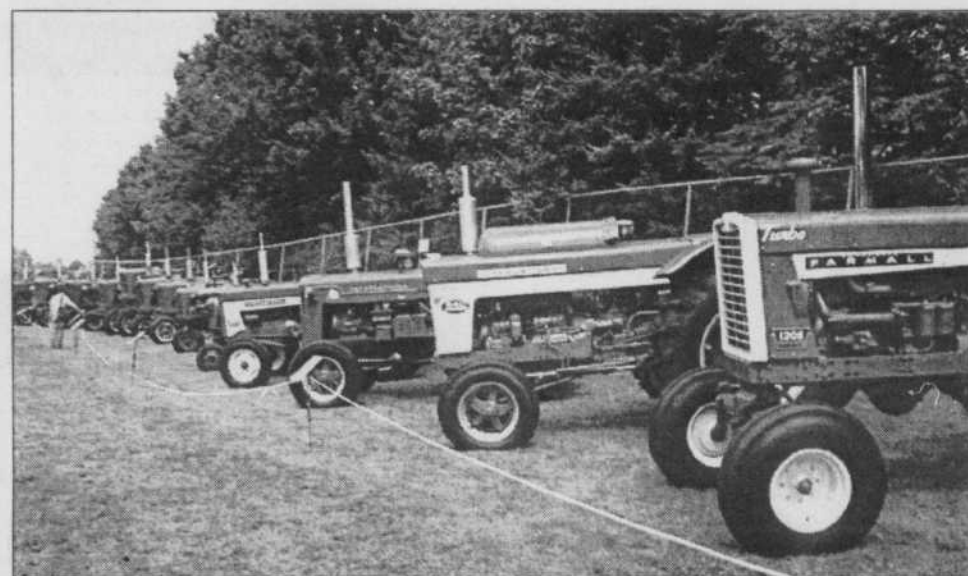
"It was a good turn out and the weather co-operated with us," Barnett stated once the showers had ceased. "Saturday was not too hot and no rain, and despite the brief rain this afternoon it has been a good day."

Hosting the event on the same grounds for the past 13 years has also turned into tradition. However, due to the increase in exhibitors and visitors, the organizing committee admitted they may have to find somewhere a little bigger next year.



JEN YOUNG/CORRESPONDENT

Kalin and Zackery Sarrasin say that demonstrating what their old machinery does has become a tradition for them.



JEN YOUNG/CORRESPONDENT

Tractors from every era lined the exhibition grounds.



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According to St-Hyacinthe resident Gilles Marcil (standing next to a 1906 stationary engine), farmers used water pumps and grinders manually so in the 1900s stationary engines were invented to help them.

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Gaiters head to football field leaner and meaner

Top running back prospects spurn Lennoxville school

By Mike Hickey
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

The only thing that is noticeable in Lennoxville as the Bishop's Gaiters conduct their two-a-day workouts is their lack of numbers.

While other university camps have larger rosters, the Gaiters' numbers are down this year. However, the coaching staff is excited about the shape of those in attendance.

The Gaiters opened their 2005 training camp Saturday with a leaner roster than head coach Leroy Blugh had originally expected. Blugh welcomed 64 players to camp, less than the projected number of 80, but the head coach was pleased with what he saw.

"We had 14-15 players who decided not to come back for various reasons and that's fine," Blugh said after a spirited practice Sunday afternoon. "But the players who are in camp want to be here and they came to camp in great physical shape. Everyone scored well in the (physical) testing and it is obvious

that the players in camp are serious about football."

The prospects were tested Saturday and the results were significantly higher than the year before as veteran players spent the summer working on their strength and conditioning. Reading between the lines, it is obvious that a majority of the players who chose not to return weren't willing to pay the price that Blugh is demanding from his players.

"Some players said that they wanted to concentrate on academics and I don't have a problem with that," Blugh said. "Playing university football is a big commitment and we feel we have players in camp that have the commitment needed to build a winning program."

That being said, the Gaiters entered camp with a shortage at the running back position, a situation that was caused when three prospective backs decided not to play at Bishop's.

"We were counting on Jon Anderson, Davie Mason and Anthony Morris and none of them are here," Blugh said. "Anderson decided not to play while Mason and Morris are at other schools."

A fourth back, Stefan Szary, broke a bone in his foot and will be out for at least six weeks.

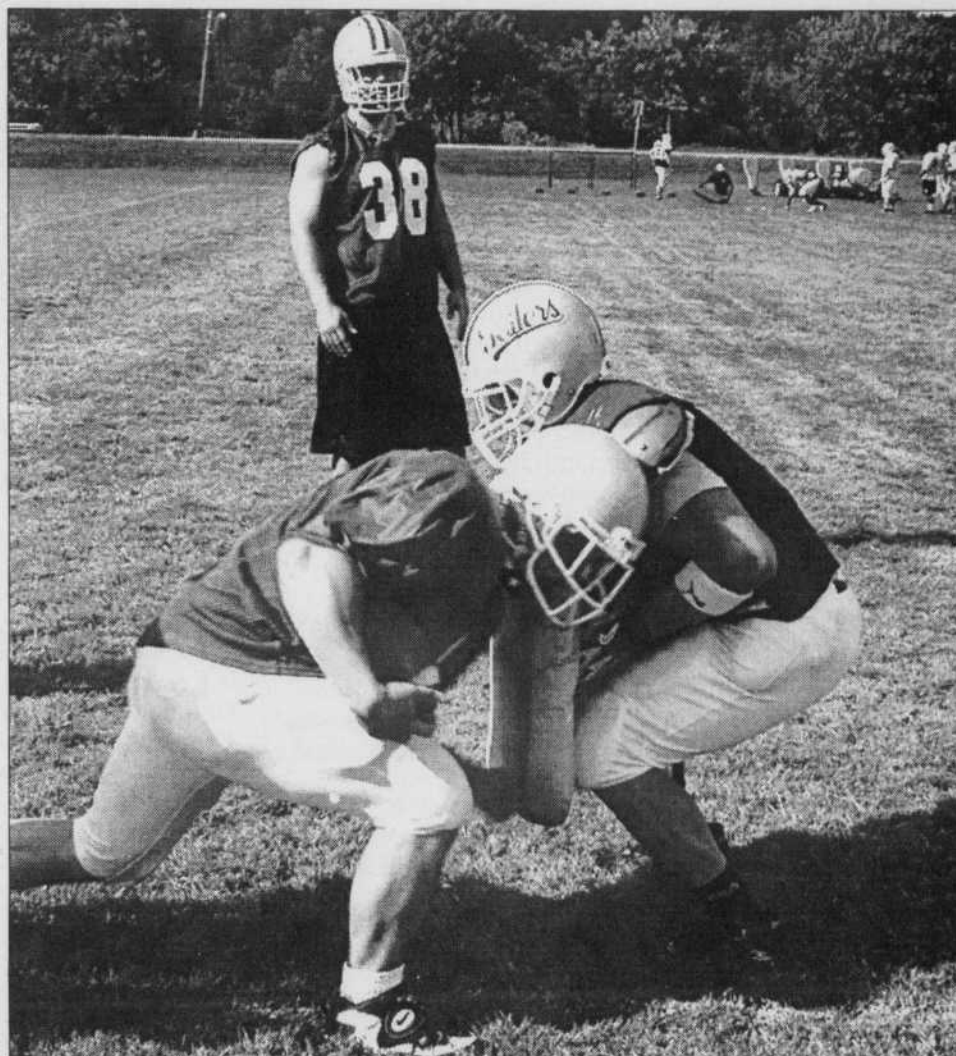
That left the team with just three running backs in camp. Sunday morning Blugh approached veteran Pat Nadeau with an interesting proposition.

Would the quarterback turned defensive back like to give running back a try?

"They asked me this morning if I would like to try running back and I said sure," Nadeau said Sunday. "I know the offence and it seemed like a good idea."

It looked like a real good idea during the practice as Nadeau hit the line hard during running plays.

"We have a very good offensive line and what we need are running backs that can get to the hole quickly," Blugh said. "Pat was moving to the safety position but now I think he can be more



PHOTOS PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

University football hopefuls were working hard Monday to impress coaches at Bishop's.

valuable to us in the backfield."

With a mature offensive line, strong receiving corps and the country's top freshman player from a year ago at quarterback, the Gaiters were looking to adopt a run and shoot offence even before the running back shortage developed. Now an up-tempo passing game is almost a necessity and that suits second-year quarterback Kyle Williams just fine.

"I like the run and shoot offence and am very comfortable with what we are doing," said last year's CIS Rookie-of-the-Year.

The change in offence means Williams will be throwing a lot of

shorter passes than last year.

"There are a lot more options in the run and shoot and I have to make good decisions," Williams said as he walked off the practice field. "Last year we were behind a lot and there was a tendency to try and get it all back in one play by throwing long. We don't have to do that this year."

Blugh expressed satisfaction with his linebacking corps, a source of concern this past spring. However, a strong talented rookie group will improve as the season progresses. The Gaiters may be short in numbers but they expect to be competitive when they host the Sherbrooke Vert & Or on Sept. 5.



SPORTS NOTEBOOK

Quintal retires after 16 seasons

The new-look Los Angeles Kings will not include defenceman Stephane Quintal, as the 16-year NHL veteran has announced his retirement from hockey.

Acquired from Montreal in 2004, Quintal collected three goals and five assists in 73 games with the Canadiens in the 2003-2004 campaign.

He appeared in four playoff contests before suffering a season-ending shoulder injury.

Quintal said in a statement that he wished to spend more time with his family and lived out his childhood dream playing for the Canadiens.

A native of Boucherville, the 36-year-old Quintal was selected 14th overall by Boston in 1987.

He has 63 goals and 180 assists in 1,037 career games with the Bruins, St. Louis, Winnipeg, Montreal, the New York Rangers and Chicago.

Sharapova on top of WTA rankings

Belgium's Kim Clijsters jumped four places to No. 4 in the WTA rankings after her win at the Rogers Cup. Clijsters helped dump fellow Belgian Justine Henin-Hardenne to No. 7 in the process. Henin-Hardenne, who lost Sunday's final, came into the \$1.3-million US tournament ranked No. 5.

Russia's Maria Sharapova moved into top spot at the expense of American Lindsay Davenport, now No. 2. France's Amelie Mauresmo, a semifinalist loser in Toronto, remained at No. 3 while Russia's Svetlana Kuznetsova slipped one place to No. 5.

On TV

TUESDAY

• **BASEBALL: 11 a.m.;** Little League World Series, Russia vs. Canada, TSN. **7 p.m.;** Major League Baseball, Toronto Blue Jays at N.Y. Yankees, TSN.

WEDNESDAY

• **BASEBALL: 7 p.m.;** Major League Baseball, Toronto Blue Jays at N.Y. Yankees, TSN, RDS.
• **FOOTBALL: 7:30 p.m.;** Canadian Football League, Calgary Stampeders at Toronto Argonauts, TSN.

THURSDAY

• **BASEBALL: 1 p.m.;** Major League Baseball, Toronto Blue Jays at N.Y. Yankees, TSN, RDS. **8 p.m.;** Boston Red Sox at Kansas City Royals, Sportsnet.
• **GOLF: 4 p.m.;** PGA Buick Championship, first round, TSN.

FRIDAY

• **GOLF: 4 p.m.;** PGA Buick Championship, second round, TSN.
• **BASEBALL: 7 p.m.;** Major League Baseball, Toronto Blue Jays at N.Y. Yankees, TSN, RDS.
• **FOOTBALL: 7 p.m.;** Canadian Football League, Winnipeg Blue Bombers at Hamilton Tiger-Cats, TSN. **8 p.m.;** National Football League, Pittsburgh Steelers at Washington Redskins, FOX. **10 p.m.;** Canadian Football League, Montreal Alouettes at Edmonton Eskimos, TSN, RDS.
• **SOCCER: 8 p.m.;** United Soccer League, Virginia Beach Mariners at Montreal Impact, RDS.

Around Town

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FOOTBALL

Leroy Blugh a natural at helm of Gaiters

By Mike Hickey

SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

Leroy Blugh was born to play football. From his high school playing days in the Kingston, Ont., area and his All-Canadian years at Bishop's University to the Canadian Football League where he was an award-winning all-star and Grey Cup winner, Blugh was a player to be reckoned with every time he took to the field.

He combined outstanding physical tools with intelligence and a strong commitment to excellence.

Blugh enjoyed an exceptionally successful career at Bishop's during the late 1980s. The former linebacker was chosen to the CIAU All-Canadian team on three occasions and capped that off with the President's Trophy in 1988 as the Best Defensive Player in Canada.

Blugh was also chosen the Best Defensive Player in the Ontario/Quebec conference three consecutive seasons. He was drafted into the Canadian Football League in the first round in 1989 by the Edmonton Eskimos where he enjoyed an 11-year career which included one Grey Cup championship in 1993. In 1996, Blugh won the prestigious Schenley Award given to the league's Outstanding Canadian Player. He played for 15 seasons in the CFL, finishing his career with the Toronto Argonauts in 2003.

During his CFL career, Blugh was selected to the Western Conference All-Star team on three occasions and was also selected twice as a CFL All-Canadian. He now hopes to take the same traits and use them to become an outstanding football coach.

"During my CFL days I always thought I would coach when my playing days were over, but in the CFL and not in college," Blugh said Monday.

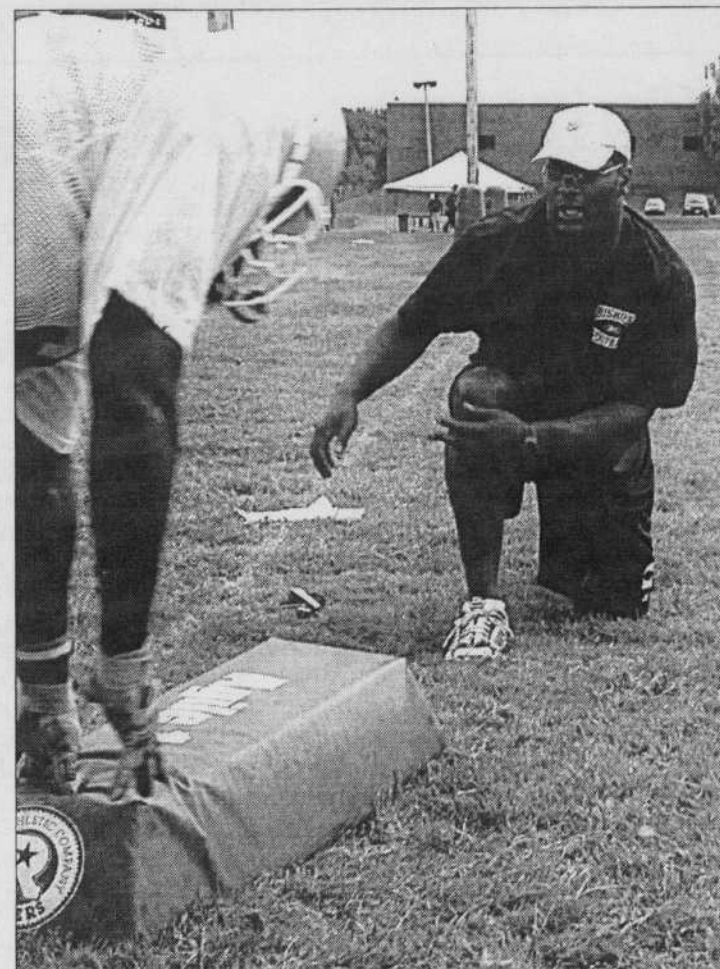
However, the possibility of returning to his alma mater arose two years ago when he contacted the school about some high school players interested in attending Bishop's.

"I was working at Queen Elizabeth's Collegiate and Vocational High School (in Toronto) and I called the school about two of my players. I was told that Larry Legault had resigned and I was encouraged to apply for the job," he said.

Blugh was interviewed but Bishop's was concerned about his lack of coaching experience. Athletic director Tony Addona was given the added responsibilities of head coach while Blugh was added to the department full-time staff as an assistant coach. It was during last year that Blugh was groomed to be the university's new head coach, its third in three years.

There is little doubt that the selection of the former CFL Canadian Player of the Year has been well received by the players and alumni.

"Alumni participation and support is one of the keys to the success of the football program," Blugh



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

An all-star everywhere he has played, head coach Leroy Blugh will now try to turn around the moribund football program at Bishop's.

emphasized.

Blugh is counting on alumni support in recruiting and fundraising activities and the alumni appear ready to do their bit.

"Leroy's selection as head coach demonstrates that Bishop's University is serious about its football program," Robbie Allen said Sunday as he watched the Gaiters practice.

Allen knows a bit about football and Bishop's University. He was an all-Canadian and CFL draft pick while wearing the Purple and Silver in the 1970s and has been active in alumni affairs over the last 30 years. He is past president of the BU Alumni Association and presently assists in identifying prospective university football players in the London, Ont., area.

"Alumni have an important role to play," Allen added. "Gary Chown (former Gaiters great and father of the Gaiters' Matt Chown) was instrumental in recruiting several of the rookie linebackers that are in camp."

Blugh entered the season with no head coaching experience and just one year as an assistant under his belt. But he brings the same intensity, commitment and savvy that made him an outstanding player to his new role. It is what Bishop's football needs at this junction as they attempt to revive one of the great football programs in Canada.

In Memoriam

Deaths

Death

Death

MC MILLAN - In loving memory of a dear father, Alexander Joseph, who left us April 23, 1992.

Time cannot stop the heartache,
Or even stop the tears,
Or take away the memories,
Of the one I loved for years.
I often sit and think of you,
When I am all alone,
For memory is the only thing,
That grief can call its own.
God called him home, it was His will,
But in our hearts we love him still,
His memory is as dear today,
As the hour that he passed away.

Sadly missed, always remembered
by daughter
ROSALIE

500 card party held at Foster

FOSTER

The seventh card party of our series was held in the St. James Parish Hall on August 15th with nine tables of 500 being played, 3 people at the game table plus two more people not playing.

Merlyn Sturtevant was the first winner with a score of 5730, second high Doreen Gibbs 5430, George Wilson 5280, Lawrence Marsh 5140, Ruth Cornish 5040, Stanley Coupland 5000, Ola Streeter 4990, Edna Badger 4890, Nancy Dixon 4880, Ethan Perkins 4840, Katie Jones 4840 with Ethan Perkins and Katie Jones having to cut for first choice and Katie was the winner.

Nancy Dixon and Ola Streeter were the winners of the ten spaces, right on the first hand played.

Nellie Darling was the winner at the game table.

Door prizes went to June Call, Merlyn Sturtevant, Gerald Coupland, Ola Streeter, Douglas Talbot, Annette Metiguay, Sidney de Solla, Alfreda Neil, Gladys Cook, Louise Lowry, Pat Benoit, Stanley O'Brien, Bruce McPherson and Reba Hollowag.

The winner of the groceries was Merlyn Sturtevant, hat and scarf, Louise Lowry, 1 doz. homemade rolls, Sid de Solla.

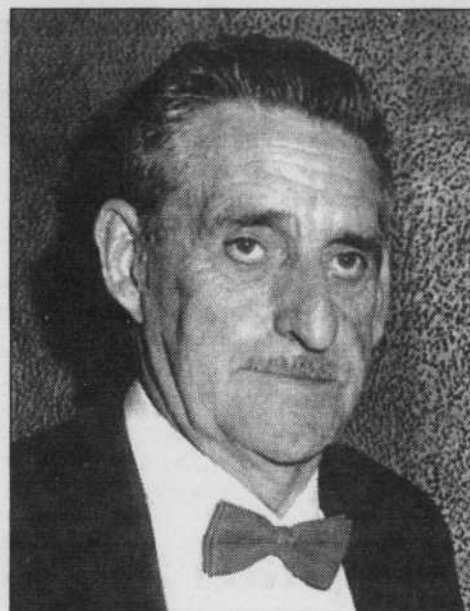
Once again the St. James Guild wishes to thank all those who attended, for donations, for food and prizes it is all greatly appreciated.

Our next card party will be Military Whist on August 29th. We hope to see you all again.

Submitted by Muriel Whitehead
Card Convenor

LEDOUX, Lillian - Suddenly at the La Providence Hospital, Magog, Que., on Saturday, August 20th, 2005 in her 68th year. Lillian May Markwell, beloved wife of Vincent Ledoux of Ayer's Cliff, and dear mother of Debourah and Marc; cherished grandmother of Ian and Tanya. In respect of her wishes there will be no visitation, a private family interment will be held at a later date in Mount Forest Cemetery in Coaticook, Que. As memorial tributes, donations to the Quebec Diabetes Association or to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or to the Canadian Cancer Society will be gratefully acknowledged by the family. Arrangements entrusted to the Cass Funeral Homes Inc., 6 Belvidere St., Lennoxville, Que. Tel.: 564-1750 / www.casshomes.ca

QUILLIAMS, Stanley Gilman (1913 - 2005) - At the Knowlton House in Knowlton, on August 12, 2005, in his 93rd year, Stanley Gilman Quilliams. Beloved husband of the late Aileen Mary Wilson. Dear father of : Robert (Patricia), Beverly Arnott, Sybil (Donald Gay), Mary (David Bradley), David (Della Hadwen); his 11 grandchildren, and many great-grandchildren, also survived by other relatives and friends. Cremation was held in Granby at Les Jardins Funeraires Bessette Crematorium. Under the direction of Les Résidences Funéraires Bessette, 5034 Foster Street, Waterloo, Que. Tel. : (450) 539-1606 or 1 888 730-6666 Fax. : (450) 539-3035 www.familiebessette.com A graveside celebration of Stanley's life will be held on Tuesday, August 23, 2005 at 2 p.m. at the Hillhouse Cemetery, Brill Road, West Bolton. No visitation. Rev. Dale Skinner officiating. In his memory, donations may be made to: Creek United Church, Wendy Conn, Treasurer, 328 Brill Road, West Bolton, Qc J0E 2T0 or to the Brome Missisquoi Perkins Hospital Foundation, 950, Principale Street, Cowansville, Qc, J2K 1K3.



TURNBULL, Robert - Peacefully at the Argyll Pavillon, Sherbrooke, Que., on Friday, August 19th, 2005 in his 84th year. Robert Turnbull beloved husband of Beulah Vintinner of Lennoxville, Que., and dear father of Dave (Mary-Ann), Robert Michael (Adele), Bruce and Andrew; Robert was the cherished grandfather of Christopher, Craig, Brian, Jennifer, Melinda, Christina and Diane; and great-grandfather of Derrick, Shane and Mia. He is survived by his sister, Peggy (Glenison Vintinner), also many nieces and nephews. Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 6 Belvidere St., Lennoxville, Que., where friends may visit on Monday, August 22nd, 2005 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. The funeral service will be held at the Lennoxville United Church on Tuesday, August 23rd, 2005 at 11 a.m., with the Rev. Barbara Willard officiating. Interment in the Lakeside Cemetery, Bishopton, Que. As memorial tributes, donations to the Lennoxville United Church or to the Heart and Stroke Foundation will be appreciated by the family.

WILSON, Nancy - Peacefully at the Maison Aube-Lumière, Sherbrooke, Que., on Sunday, August 21st, 2005 in her 66th year. Nancy Carolyn Brazel, beloved daughter of Carrie Lowry and the late Clifford Brazel; beloved wife of Trevor Wilson and dear mother of Tom (Louise), Tim, Troy, Tracy and Tyler (Penny), and cherished grandmother of Erica, Brittany, Steven, Corey, Kyla and Ryley. Nancy is survived by her sisters: Helen Lafontaine and Diane Berwick and will be sadly missed by many nieces, nephews and friends. Resting at the Cass Funeral Homes, 6 Belvidere, Lennoxville, Que., Tel.: 564-1750 / www.casshomes.ca where friends may visit on Wednesday, August 24th from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m., and on Thursday, August 25th, 2005 from 1 to 2 p.m., followed by the funeral service at 2:00 p.m., with the Rev. Barbara Willard officiating. Interment in the Eaton Cemetery. As memorial tributes, donations to the Maison Aube-Lumière, 220 Kennedy St. N, Sherbrooke, Que., J1E 2E7 would be greatly appreciated by the family.

In Memoriams

SAYERS - In loving memory of my husband, Charlie, who passed away August 23, 1982.

The angels sang Amazing Grace
The Lord came down and touched your face,
He held your hand and whispered low,
"Come with Me, it's time to go".
A life so young released to Heaven
Left on earth, we wonder why?
But some are sent among us briefly,
Some have spirits meant to fly.
Dearly loved and missed by
SHIRLEY

SAYERS, Charles - In memory of our father who died 23 years ago today.
We think of our Dad
As a down-to-earth guy,
Just plain, like the sea,
The wind and the sky.
We think, and we know
He has gone from our side,
But we think of our Dad
With the utmost of pride.
The joys that he missed on life's highway
May he find in God's garden of rest.
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On Wednesdays, August 24 and 31, there will be 500 card parties at 209 Main St., Warden at 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Waterloo Lodge #27.

ACTON VALE

The 141st annual Thanksgiving Service at the Anglican Church of St. Mark, 705 Boulay St., Acton Vale, will take place on Sunday, August 28 at 2 p.m. Rev. Canon William Blizzard will officiate. Rev. Andrew O'Donnell and le Pere Claude Prefontaine will be assisting. Mrs. Eunice Lloyd will play the organ. David Eaves and Marie-Paule Labrecque will read the lessons. Following the service, everyone is invited for refreshments in the Wurtele Garden. Any baked goods or articles would be appreciated for the "white elephant sale" in support of the church fund repairs and upkeep. Friends and relatives are welcome. Info: (450) 546-3674.

MARBLETON

St. Adolphe Parish Dinner will be held on Sunday, August 28 from 11:30 a.m. to

1:30 p.m. at the Marbleton Centre Communautaire, 193 Principale St., Marbleton.

TRENHOLM

Summer worship service will be held at Trenholm United Church on August 28 at 1 p.m. Our annual Stewards Barbecue will follow the service. Everyone in the community is invited. Hope to see you there.

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United Community Church Barbecue (Pork, salad and dessert) on Saturday, August 27 starting at 5 p.m. Admission charged. Exhibition of historic photos celebrating the 150th anniversary of the Municipality of Ulverton.

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Golf Tournament, to benefit the Frontier Animal Society, shot gun/vegas style, at Dufferin Heights Golf Club, Sep-

tember 9 at 1 p.m. Registration by September 2. Includes 18 holes of golf, cart and supper. For information or to register, please call (819) 876-5016 or 679-4098.

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Don't plan anything you'll regret

Dear Annie: I've been married to "Joe," a wonderful man, for eight years. A year ago, I came across an old letter (from 10 years back) from a friend, "Mike." Joe knows that I had a crush on Mike, but we never dated. In the letter, Mike (who is married, and was at that time he wrote it) said he wanted to catch up on lost time and said I should write or call "any time."

Annie, since the discovery of the letter, I think about Mike all the time. I don't want to cheat on Joe. I just want to know what Mike is up to these days. We were great friends back in the day.

I want to write Mike and possibly get together, with our spouses, but I have a feeling Joe won't be too keen on the

idea. He doesn't know about the letter. Is it realistic for two people of the opposite sex to remain friends even though the spouses don't know each other? — Contemplating a Reunion

Dear Contemplating: If your intention is simply to find out what happened to an old friend, it shouldn't have all this skullduggery attached to it. Meeting up, with your spouses, is perfectly fine, as long as you are honest about it. The problem is, you have been fixated for a year on this old letter, which tells us you may be fantasizing about Mike. Don't plan anything you'll regret.

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I am a basketball cheerleader, make decent grades, am a nice person and popular. Here's the problem: Guys don't seem to like me. I mean, yeah, sure they like me as a friend, but nothing more.

I am going into seventh grade and would like to have a boyfriend. Every single one of the popular girls in my grade has had a boyfriend, but not me. I am not fat, nor am I ugly. Is there something wrong with me? — Young but Single

Dear Young: There is nothing wrong with you. In fact, you are better off without a boyfriend. This is a time for you to develop yourself instead of worrying about pleasing someone else. You will

have plenty of opportunities for boyfriends, and it will help if you have a stronger sense of self when you find one. Hang in there.

Dear Annie: This is for "Robbed Blind in San Mateo, Calif.," who thought her friend was stealing money from her purse during her facials.

The theft needs to be documented for two reasons. First, "Robbed Blind" needs to know for sure if her friend is stealing from her. Second, the thief needs to be caught and stopped. "Robbed Blind" should record the serial numbers of the bills in her wallet before she goes to the salon. Then, after departing, she should check to see if any money is missing. If so, she should call the police and report the theft. The thief will have a bill with a recorded serial number.

If "Robbed Blind" simply decides to stop going for facials, then the thief is free to steal from other people. — Ex-Cop in West Virginia

Dear Ex-Cop: When a family friend is involved, people are less likely to get the police involved, but thanks for your expert advice. Here's more:

From Illinois: I once worked for a man who used to snoop around when I would leave to run errands. He read my mail and rummaged in my desk and purse. After several incidents, I left a note inside my desk drawer. It simply read, "Please get out of my desk." I never had a problem again. Sometimes actions will cease when people realize they are not getting away with it.

Florida: There is a powder that can be sprinkled on a surface, such as a wallet, and if a person's hand makes contact with the substance, a purple dye will permeate the skin. The dye won't come off for several days. It is messy to work with, but it's a sure-fire way of finding out the answer to the question.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column.

25th Wedding Anniversary



Congratulations to John and Christine (Lowry) Robinson on their silver wedding anniversary, August 23, 2005.

Lots of love from all your family

Military Whist with Richmond Hill W.I.

It seemed the perfect afternoon to be in the Valleyview Hall, playing cards with friends on Thursday, August 18, where 11 tables of players spent a pleasant time.

After all the games were played, high score was secured by the table of Edna Smith, Ann Clark, Vivian Pollock and Estelle Fortier. There was a tie for second place, one table of Peggy Eastman, Winnie Beausoleil, Myrna Hebert and Ruth Blanchette and the other was Gertrude and Alison Watson, Olive and Dora McCourt. It was a hard search for low score but it finally went to two tables, also. One was Audrey Porter, Mary Lockwood, Rita Abran and Rowena Henderson, while the other was Elsie and Alton Mills, Sue Nichols and Nilda Howe.

The door prizes were awarded to Rita Noel, Pauline Woods, Edna Smith, Marie-Berthe Skerry, Daisy McGee, Vivian Pollock, Rita Abran, Alton Mills, Pearl Armstrong, Pearl Kydd, Hazel Carson, Elsie Mills, Audrey Porter, Rowena Henderson and Lila Beattie. Daisy McGee was thrilled to be the recipient of the well-stocked grocery box.

Everyone enjoyed the delicious lunch of sandwiches and sweets, which the members of the Richmond Hill W.I. had provided and all went home replete with good food, drink and conversation.

Submitted by Jean Storry,
Publicity Convenor

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: M equals H

"GMZYZ BD XN ZASKOGBNX
TBIZ OALZYDBGP." — ABDYOZTB
"LBKGNYP BD DVZZGZDG VMZX
PNS'LZ IXNVX AZHZOG."
— WOTKNTW HNYEZO

PREVIOUS SOLUTION — "His driving is unbelievable. I don't go that far on my holidays." — Ian Baker-Finch, on golfer John Daly

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"The baby sitter fell asleep and some gangsters broke in and ate the rest of that chocolate cake."

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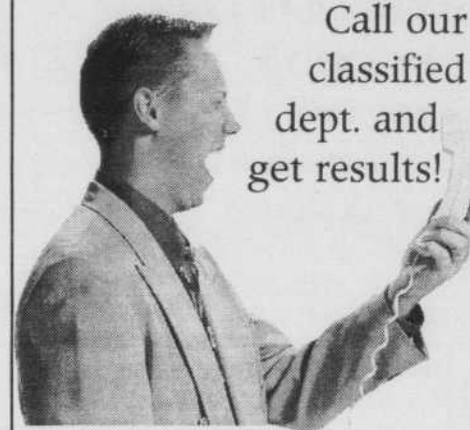
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Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2005

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Conditions might arise today where you may feel a need to express your expertise or knowledge to those who are off track. However, you will do so in a manner that will bring you approval.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — There's a strong probability that a beneficial change will take place today that will have a ripple effect that will end up contributing to your material well-being. Make the most of it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — It is always good to be cooperative with others, but today it behooves you to go out of your way to do so, even to those who may have caused problems in the past. Old ills can be smoothed out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Opportunities are hovering about you today where your work or career is concerned and in ways that could add to your earnings or income. Pay heed to tips passed onto you by affluent people.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Although you will be quite capable of taking care of your own needs today, persons who are fond of you will nevertheless go out of their way to do things that could ease your lot in life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — In situations where you find yourself looking out for the welfare of those who are in need of care, you'll be capable of remarkable feats today. Without hesitation you'll do what

you can.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Information from several unrelated sources can be pieced together today in a fashion which will turn out to be quite advantageous for you. You could become a big link in the chain of events.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Conditions tend to favor you today for fulfilling your career or financial aspirations. The better you're prepared and the harder you work, the greater the gains. Put yourself in the race to win.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Dare to think big today and proceed boldly out into the world. If you start to expand your horizons, you'll become aware of opportunities that previously escaped your attention.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Walking softly will conquer what harsh commands can't today. Extend your compassion and understanding to those who are under your authority and underplay your power and control.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Something of great potential benefit could develop for you today through the auspices of a friendly supporter. This individual has your best interest at heart and will open doors for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Conditions are quite favorable for you today where your goals and ambitions are concerned. If you've been waiting for the right moment to push through something big, this is the day to do it.

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

Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2005

Using avoidance avoids humiliation

By Phillip Alder

Playwright John Guare said, "Avoiding humiliation is the core of tragedy and comedy."

No one has avoided feeling humiliated

by making a careless error at the bridge table. But some treat it as a tragedy, others as a laughing matter — a tragicomedy?

See if you can avoid trouble in today's deal. You are South, the declarer in three no-trump. West leads his fourth-highest spade, and East puts up the 10. After winning with the king, how would you continue? What do you think of North's immediate raise to three no-trump?

To take the second question first, unless your partnership uses four-suit transfers, three no-trump is the way to go. (Using four-suit transfers, North would respond two spades, promising clubs, and planning to rebid three spades, which would show at least game-forcing values with a singleton or void in spades. South would probably convert to three no-trump. Note that here five clubs requires taking a first-round club finesse through East, which no one would find.)

You start with seven top tricks: one spade, three hearts, one diamond and two clubs. The remaining tricks will come from the clubs. But since trick one marks West with the spade ace (East would have won with that card if he had it), you must make sure that East never gains the lead. This requires avoidance play. Cross to dummy with a heart, then run the club seven through East. If the finesse loses to West, your second spade honor is holding the suit. Here, though, you end with two overtricks.

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- 14 Lamb's pen name
- 15 Peaceful
- 16 Dumbo's wing
- 17 Right granted by law
- 19 ETO leader
- 20 Arctic explorer John
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- 28 British insurance syndicate
- 31 Sprang up
- 32 Roof overhang
- 33 Bettors' advisers

- 37 Saudi man
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- 40 Drag forcibly
- 41 Spacious and grand
- 43 Trike or bike
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- 52 By way of
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- 62 Placid
- 63 Regarding
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- 24 Cups used in sty treatment
- 25 Actress Wood
- 26 Wide smile
- 27 Prunes
- 28 Spring forward
- 29 Tomb raider Croft
- 30 Out of round
- 34 For one
- 35 Wear the crown
- 36 Snow coaster
- 38 "Painting" painter
- 39 Deserve
- 42 Most minimally worded

- 43 Italian noble
- 45 Bruce of track-and-field
- 46 First name in cosmetics
- 47 Approaches
- 48 Albacores
- 49 Battleship to remember
- 52 Three-piece piece
- 53 Toward center
- 54 On the apex of
- 57 Born as
- 58 Song syllable
- 59 Guitarist Montgomery
- 60 Pas' mates

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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- 4 Mai _ cocktail
- 5 Aviators
- 6 Fight venue
- 7 Jewel
- 8 Individual
- 9 Cacophony
- 10 Female lead
- 11 Hosiery shade
- 12 Like the old bucket of song
- 13 Brittany port
- 18 Watches over
- 23 February gem

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By Ronald Blocher

8/23/05

Money worries shouldn't inhibit care

DEAR DR. GOTT: I don't have enough money to seek professional help, as I'm a single parent on a very low income. My 13-year-old daughter has been wetting the bed for 13 years. She doesn't drink anything after 7 o'clock, and I get her up three or four times a night. What more can I do for better control?

DEAR READER: You raise two pertinent issues. I'll address the bed-wetting first.

Most children outgrow this habit long before they reach their teens. Bed-wetting in a youngster used to be linked to stress and anxiety. Now, however, many urologists acknowledge that it may be caused by physical conditions, the most common ones being chronic urinary infections and inherited abnormalities of the urinary tract, both of which are relatively serious.

The first condition is diagnosed by a urine culture. If bacteria are present, antibiotics will eradicate the infection

and put a stop to the bed-wetting.

The second condition is more difficult to identify and requires kidney/bladder X-rays and, possibly, cystoscopy (a technique to examine the lower urinary tract). It is possible that your daughter was born with an anomalous urinary system that may have to be surgically repaired.

This brings me to your second point, concerning your inability to pay for professional help.

Your daughter clearly needs to be examined and tested by a family doctor or a urologist. In addition, any prescription would have to be supplied by an M.D. For example, you may have heard of a new product called DDAVP nasal spray. This prescription hormone (vasopressin) is a compound that reduces urination. It is useful in treating children



DR. PETER GOTT,
M.D.

who do not have anatomical or infectious causes for their bed-wetting.

Thus, for your daughter to receive proper care and therapy, she will have to see a doctor first.

Despite what you may believe, most physicians (and hospitals) are willing to accept patients who are financially in trouble. Health-care providers will either discount (or forgive) the bill, or help you obtain state or federal financial assistance such as Aid to Families with Dependent Children.

Please don't let your low income deprive your daughter of necessary medical care. You do have options. Because your daughter has a potentially serious ailment, your first priority should be to get professional help for her.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I suffer from gout and wonder what can be done for con-

trol.

DEAR READER: Gout is a form of acute arthritis caused by an accumulation of uric acid in the joints. It is inherited, or can be caused by certain prescription diuretic medications such as the thiazides. Diagnosis depends on blood tests and analysis of the joint fluid.

Therapy for acute attacks includes colchicine, Motrin and other prescription medications. Gout can be prevented by taking daily doses of allopurinol, a prescription drug that lowers the level of uric acid.

To give you related information, I am sending you copies of my Health Reports "Kidney Disorders" and "Bladder and Urinary Tract Infections." Other readers who would like copies should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and \$2 per report to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title(s).



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