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## U of S, government invest in video game development

By Rita Legault  
SHERBROOKE

The provincial Education Ministry, the University of Sherbrooke, and the CÉGEP de Matane have joined forces with one of the world's largest video-game developers and distributors to offer specialized college and university level training for software developers.

Early last week, Ubisoft Entertainment announced it was creating another 1,000 jobs at its Montreal studio over the next five years thanks in part to more than \$22 million in various incentives from the provincial government.

Problem is, it is hard to find trained people to fill those jobs. That's where the new agreement, announced in Sherbrooke on Friday, comes in.

The Education ministry, the University of Sherbrooke and the CÉGEP have joined with the video game giant to put together Ubisoft Campus — a training school combining college and university level programs covering a range of skills for video game production and programming as well as 3-D animation, 3-D modeling and level design.

Ubisoft Entertainment will be investing \$16 million while the Education Ministry injects \$5.3 million for the training centre that will be located at Ubisoft's Montreal facilities.

"The Ubisoft Campus will provide students with a comprehensive range of courses with outstanding cutting-edge instruction modeled on the video-game pro-



Quebec Premier Jean Charest (centre) and Education Minister Pierre Reid battled it out at a game created by Ubisoft Entertainment.

duction cycle," said Ubisoft President and Chief Operating Officer Martin Tremblay.

Tremblay, who noted many of Ubisoft's programmers come from the University of Sherbrooke and CÉGEP de Matane, said the new centre will provide training for the talent of tomorrow and allow Ubisoft to reach its goal of creating some 1,000 new jobs in Mon-

tréal between now and 2010. Courses will be accredited by the provincial education ministry.

On hand for Friday's announcement at Sherbrooke's Musée de la Nature et des Sciences were Premier Jean Charest and Education Minister Pierre Reid as well as the rector of the University of

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## Bromont inks deal to protect wetlands, forest

Staff  
KNOWLTON

The Town of Bromont has reached a deal with Nature Conservancy to protect more than 500 acres of forest and wetlands in the municipality.

The majority of the protected land is zoned for residential development, but will now be off limits to construction. Much of the 500 acres is wetlands or forest bordering on wetlands.

Along the Yamaska River some 173 acres has been protected alongside Bromont Boulevard between Shefford St. and Autoroute 10.

The land is on both banks of the river, and includes several streams and wet areas that drain into the Yamaska.

The largest parcel of land is a 305-acre forested area on the south and east of Gail Pond. Another 32 acres of lands around the three main waterways draining into Bromont Pond have also been protected.

Biologists studying the newly-protected areas discovered the presence of rare plants such as the burr-reed sedge and the pokeweed. The protected areas will be accessible to the public through a trail network designed to minimize the impact on these plants.

Under Bromont's green space protection strategy, the municipality plans to match the Quebec government's goal of preserving eight per cent of its territory within the next decade.

More land protection projects are in the works and will be announced in the coming months.

## Environmentalists doubt wood stoves a major smog producer

By Stephen McDougall  
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

Wood stoves that create smog in urban centres are being used as a scapegoat by the Quebec government in order to avoid the real culprit — automobiles and big industry, according to longtime Quebec environmental activist Daniel Green.

"The Quebec government seems to have a problem with cars and road building and big industries that create a lot of jobs and tax revenue, but do a lot of the polluting," he said Thursday from his Montreal office.

"When you have millions of drivers and workers creating revenue and jobs for the province every day, it is a lot easi-

er to point the finger at wood stoves and claim they are polluting the air more."

Green said he was very skeptical of an argument made by provincial environmental minister Thomas Mulcair that claimed half of Montreal's recent smog problem was caused by wood burning stoves.

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# Vietnamese remember 30th anniversary of exodus

By Brion Robinson  
SHERBROOKE

"I came here for the freedom," said Van-Hien Nguyen, who left Saigon, Vietnam, alone about 20 years ago to start a new life with foster parents in Sherbrooke.

Nguyen was 15 at the time of the mass exodus from south Vietnam in 1975. People started leaving after the North Vietnamese army invaded the country's southern zone and set up a communist government.

Entire families and even children left the country on boats and buses to neighbouring countries like Thailand and even as far away as Canada.

Vietnamese families and friends gathered at André Viger park in Sherbrooke Sunday to share stories about

their experiences and celebrate Vietnamese new year, year of the rooster.

Nguyen was adopted by foster parents in Sherbrooke in 1980.

"Before coming here I was nervous and didn't know what to expect," he said while helping to serve coffee and drinks to visitors. "One of the things that surprised me the most was the cold weather and the snow."

Lise Petit and her family welcomed Nguyen and raised him as one of their own. Petit was working in the publication department of La Tribune at the time and heard about refugee camps where adolescents and children were growing up in Vietnam without their parents.

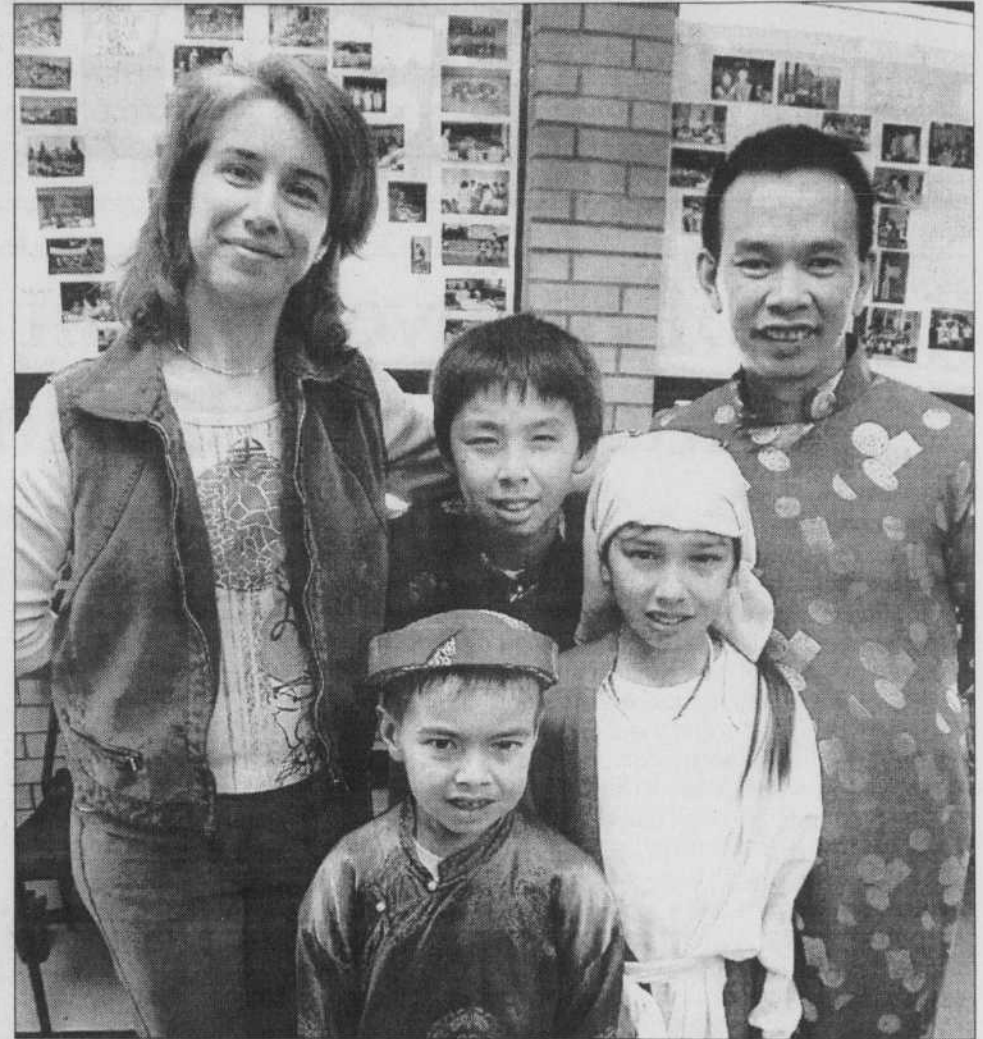
"I was very touched when I heard there were children growing up without their parents," she said.

"We filled out an application to adopt a refugee and a month later we got the call."

Petit said she had already heard about a local parish that had taken in five families from Vietnam and were helping them to adjust to life in Canada.

"We have whatever we need in Quebec," she said, adding that Sherbrooke has a lot to offer people who move here.

"People living in refugee camps grow up fast," she said, while one of Nguyen's boys came over to her table to sit with her. "They're warm and generous and have a lot to offer our community."



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Pictured are (left to right) Manon Sévigny, Xavier, Raphaël, Marikha and Van Hien Nguyen.

Nguyen lived with Petit and her family for five years before moving out and getting work. Now he's the owner of a Van Houtte coffee shop in town and is an active supporter of the 150-member Vietnamese society in Sherbrooke.

"There aren't a lot of us but we have a very strong bond," he said.

He's married now and has three children of his own. Both families are still very close. "She (Lise) is like our mother," he said.

The president of the Vietnamese society, Van-Nha Tran, says Sherbrooke has a lot to offer immigrants.

"I came here in 1990 from Thailand,"

he said. "I had a cousin and he helped me find a job and a place to live."

In Saigon, Tran worked as a high school teacher and wasn't sure where he would work in Sherbrooke.

"I wasn't here very long until I started working in Dunkin' Donuts," he said. "Now I'm the owner."

Tran said it's important to have these activities to remind people about the Vietnamese community and to thank the locals for their hospitality.

"Groups like Néo-Canadiens really made us feel welcome here," he concluded.

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## Weather

**Today:** Cloudy. Snow (2 to 5 cm) beginning late in the day. Winds becoming southeast 20 km/h in the afternoon. High minus 1.

**Tuesday:** Periods of rain. Low minus 2. High 6.

**Wednesday:** Periods of snow. Low minus 3. High minus 1.

**Thursday:** Cloudy. Sixty per cent chance of flurries. Low minus 11. High minus 6.

## Ben by Daniel Shelton



# Bidding starts in March on Couture's land, if taxes not paid

## Lawyer auctioning off cows and equipment

By Staff  
SHERBROOKE

The town of Cookshire-Eaton will start taking bids on Serge Couture's abandoned farmland in March if he doesn't start paying his taxes, says the town's mayor, Bertrand Landry.

Couture's 150 acres of farmland is located along highway 108.

He owes the town council about \$30,000 for a cleaning bill. The two-day clean up took place in 2003 and involved six trucks, a bulldozer and a back-hoe.

Old washers and dryers, plastic siding and three truckloads of tires were among the piles of trash taken away to the dump. Five dead cows were also removed from his property.

"He can pay his bill any time before March 10," Landry said. "After this date we can sell his property."

Couture left his land last year and

hasn't been heard from since.

Since he left, the town has been feeding around 60 cows he left behind. He wasn't evicted.

Neighbours from the town of about 6,000 people have also been leaving truckloads of grain and salt blocks at Couture's property to help take care of his cows since he disappeared.

"People saw a report about the cows and called to offer help and money," Landry said.

So far, feeding the animals has drained about \$3,000 from the town's coffers.

"We don't have the budget to take care of these animals," Landry said.

If bidding takes place, it should start at around \$30,000 — the amount Couture owes the town.

Couture's lawyer is also looking for money. He hasn't been paid and the legal bill is around \$3,500. Couture's lawyer recently received permission to seize two or three tractors and enough cows to pay the bill.

The auction will take place Feb. 16.

## Fire Guts Brigham Garage



MAURICE CROSSFIELD

Fire destroyed a two-storey garage in Brigham Thursday night. Firefighters were called to 189 Des Erables at about 11 p.m. Thursday night, but were unable to save the building. Police estimate the damages at about \$50,000, and no one was injured in the blaze. An electrical problem is the likely cause of the fire.

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### STOVES:

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"Most of the smog was concentrated in the downtown core, where there are few wood stoves and more oil burning furnaces used to heat the big office and apartment buildings," he said.

"That is also where many of the diesel fuel burning buses and trucks concentrate. Both furnace oil and diesel fuel create a lot more particulates that contribute to smog than do wood stoves."

Green gave his opinion in light of upcoming legislation the government wants passed that would regulate the use of wood burning stoves in the province. Mulcair's press officer Chantale Turgeon said the law is still being drafted, but argued such stoves are a growing problem for air pollution.

"According to the figures we have received, wood stoves account for 50 per cent of the smog in Montreal, while industry contributes 33 per cent and the transportation sector is responsible for 17 per cent," she said.

Turgeon would not say what was in the legislation, but according to a press release issued earlier this week, one of the items being required are more clean-burning stoves that recirculate smoke for a second burn, creating less emissions.

But Turgeon could not say if these types of stoves would cost consumers more, nor would she

comment on what to do with the fireplaces in Quebec homes that burn wood quickly and give off even less heat.

It has been reported that more Montrealers bought and now use wood stoves in their homes because of the infamous 1998 ice storm, when millions of Quebec residents froze after icy rain brought down major power lines and power was not restored for weeks in the middle of a cold January.

Green believes any law that forces people to upgrade their present stoves and fireplaces would be very expensive and would be resisted by many Quebecers.

"I know that in the United States, they considered such regulations, but with the millions of homeowners that have these inefficient fireplaces, it would have been impossible to enforce them," he said.

"And even if you did, how much air pollution would you really reduce? What many governments can't handle is the car culture of North America where much of the hydrocarbon emissions is being created."

He added Quebecers make and spend hundreds of millions of dollars in selling and fixing cars, fueling them and building roads for them. The taxes collected by Quebec City from all this economic activity is much higher, he maintains, than from the small niche market provided by wood stove sales.

### GAMES:

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Sherbrooke, Bruno-Marie Béchard, and the general manager of the CÉGEP de Matane, Émery Béland.

Premier Charest enthused about the investments, noting it was good for Quebec's regions and Quebec's economy.

"Colleges and universities are the economic locomotive in the regions and in Quebec," he said, noting the investments will encourage jobs in an emerging sector of the so-called new economy. "This will create an expertise and attract people interested in training and working in this area."

Reid said that a trained workforce is a powerful attraction force for companies seeking where they are going to set up shop. He said the new courses will be unique in Canada and will position Quebec as a place for future investments in the field.

At the college level, the Ubisoft campus will offer attestations of collegial studies to graduates of game levels designers, 2-D modeling and 3-D animation programs.

"The CÉGEP de Matane is particularly proud to be associated with the Ubisoft Campus and to contribute to the training of the works for this world video game production leader," Emery said, noting that the school's partnership with Ubisoft will generate unique expertise it will transfer to the CÉGEP's multimedia Integration Technique program and specialized programs in the digital imaging field.

The University of Sherbrooke will offer graduate degrees in computer science and software engi-

neering degrees. Rector Béchard noted courses in programming digital imaging and electronics will be particularly useful in helping reduce the shortage of specialized labour in certain leading-edge game design sectors.

"The University of Sherbrooke will thus highlight its leadership in the digital imaging field and particularly in the design of games that require swift powers of invention and an ability to take risks — something we are known for," commented Béchard, noting the partnership will allow Ubisoft to offer internships to University of Sherbrooke students and make it easier for their graduates to get jobs.

The Ubisoft Campus will start classes in the spring with some 80 students. Over the next five years, some 500 more students will register at the center which will also offer ongoing training for Ubisoft's 1,000 employees.

The Montreal studio is Ubisoft's largest employing 1,000 game designers and developers. The studio has generated best sellers like Tom Clancy's Splinter Cell, and Prince of Persia.

Earlier last week, the provincial government announced Ubisoft will get reimbursable tax credits for

multimedia projects of 37.5 per cent. Emploi-Québec is providing \$6.3 million through a workforce development fund while Investissement Québec contributed \$6 million from its strategic investment fund. The Quebec branch of Economic Development Canada kicked in a repayable loan of \$5 million.

Ubisoft, which set up shop in Quebec in 1997, is investing some \$700 million to double its staff at the Montreal studio. The Paris-based company has some 2,500 employees at a dozen studios throughout the world. Montreal is its largest.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Quebec Premier Jean Charest.

# Foreign doctors ready to fill vacancies in rural Quebec: Black Coalition

Stephen McDougall  
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

Foreign doctors who have immigrated to Montreal are quite willing to work in outlying parts of Quebec if they would only be given a chance by the medical establishment, the head of the Black Coalition of Quebec told The Record.

"We have hundreds of members who have the training and the experience, but they still end up becoming taxi drivers and domestics because the government and the medical college put too many hurdles in front of them," said Dan Philips from his Montreal office.

"Very few of them ever get a chance, and yet the hospitals and the clinics keep complaining they can't find enough doctors to treat people here. It is very frustrating for us."

Philips could not give an accurate count of the doctors within his coalition, but estimated several hundred come each year, but soon leave Quebec for other provinces or the U.S.

He argued the ones that stay try to apply for an internship, better known as a residency, but are often turned down in favour of Quebec-born doctors or those from France.

He said most of these doctors expect to have thriving urban practices in Montreal or another large city.

According to health department figures, only 55 of 92 foreign doctors passed their medical tests and are now eligible for intern positions. But department official Adam Blondin did not say if there were enough intern positions for them.

The need for more doctors in rural areas continues to mount, despite the fact that they now number 16,000 in Quebec, up from 14,000 in 1998.

The shortage means emergency rooms in smaller hospitals in towns such as Windsor and Asbestos often curtail their services due a lack of trained personnel.

Last fall, the

town of Windsor mounted a protest campaign after the Quebec government and the area health board ordered the closing of the St-Louis hospital emergency department on weekends. Mayor Louis St-Laurent said he has heard the government wants to close down the hospital altogether and force sick people to drive to the larger Sherbrooke hospital.

At the Asbestos hospital two years ago, the 24-hour-a-day emergency department also faced partial closure during the summer when hospital officials could not replace some doctors going on vacation and maternity leave.

Other patients have decried the lack of specialists in Sherbrooke needed to treat chronic conditions such as eye problems and heart diseases.

At Drummondville's Ste-Croix hospital, the search is on for another pediatrician to replace Dr. Jocelyn Lussier, who was recently convicted of sexual assault on three of his adolescent patients. Most medical experts argue the search will take a long time, given that many older doctors are retiring and younger doctors spend less hours per week on the job.

Officials from Health Minister Philip Couillard's office maintains the government has stepped up the training of

doctors in the province's four medical universities. But most of the 716 students now enrolled can take from six to nine years to be fully trained and available to the public, according to Dr. Claude Lemoine of the University of Sherbrooke's medical school.

"If they are a general practitioner, it can take six years — four years in school and two years of residency," he said. "If they want to be a specialist, add three more years."

Dr. Lemoine said many doctors from countries outside North America find it tough getting restarted in Quebec because the province's College of Physicians and Surgeons, the professional body that polices doctors, applies tough standards of them.

"They are very picky about who they let in," he said. "The college argues that standards of foreign

countries vary and that the doctors would have to relearn a lot if they are to practice here."

He said the government would prefer to get doctors from affluent countries such as the U.S. or France, where standards are higher and the doctors can adapt better to Quebec.

"But many of these doctors expect high salaries which the government

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## CALL FOR TENDERS

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The only bid to be considered at the opening, will be the ones from contractors who bought the contractual documents and are bidding under the same name. If it is a consortium, this specification is considered when each party of this consortium bought the official documents.

Tenders will be received at the City Hall of the Town of Stanstead by Mrs Diane Pérusse-Groleau, general director, at the above mentioned address on or before Thursday, March 3rd 2005 for public opening at the same time and at the same place.

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# Community Forum

EDITORIAL

## Sam Walton must be rolling over

There wasn't space in the parking lot of Sherbrooke's new Wal-Mart for a Volkswagen to squeeze in Saturday afternoon as thousands flocked to the new mega-store to seek out cheap merchandise produced in Third World countries by the union-bashing retailer.

The opening of the Sherbrooke outlet coincided with the announcement by the world's largest retailer that it would be closing its Jonquière store in May, laying off 190 employees.

Wal-Mart claims the store was not profitable — a fact that appears to have come to light after workers there received union certification in August.

Thus ends one of the world's most inspiring business success stories.

The story of Wal-Mart founder Sam Walton's rise to retail success is text-

book material in business schools around the world.

Born to a hard-working farm family in 1918, Sam Walton grew from a poor farm boy during the Depression to one of the world's richest men — a success he shared with everyone who worked for, and with him.

He purchased his first store in 1945 with \$5,000 in post-war savings and a \$20,000 loan from his father-in-law.

As an incentive to attract and motivate staff, he offered a share of the store's profits to employees, making it possible for hard-working store employees at the bottom of the corporate ladder to become millionaires — and many of them did.

As he opened new stores and needed investors, he looked to his own staff and offered limited partnerships to

those who invested in the stores they managed.

After introducing a number of innovations to retailing including the check-out counter and everyday low prices, Sam Walton opened his first Wal-Mart in 1962 and quickly became the world's number one retailer. Today more than 600,000 Americans work at a Wal-Mart store and thousands more at Canada's 256 Wal-Mart stores.

Sam Walton's philosophy was simple. Treat your employees well and they will treat your customers well and they will keep coming back.

Walton became known for his 'morning pep rallies,' assembling employees before store opening for a motivational rah-rah before sending smiling employees off to greet customers with a cheery "Welcome to Wal-Mart" and a "Thank you for shopping at Wal-Mart."

Values drawn from his deep religious roots helped Walton carve out his 10 commandments for success:

- Love your work — be out there every day trying to do the best you can
- Share profits with associates
- Motivate your partners
- Encourage competition and meet the challenge to become better
- Communicate with your partners. Information is power so empower your associates
- Appreciate everything your associates do for the business. Praise is free and pays great dividends
- Listen to everyone in the company, especially those on the front line who deal with your customers

- Exceed your customers' expectations
- Control your expenses
- Swim upstream, be innovative

There is little evidence that any of the values Sam Walton used to forge his own success and that of so many others, remain part of the Wal-Mart corporate culture.

Today, the retailer once known for its contribution to every community where it established, is battling public opinion over its use of Third World labour and its treatment of employees.

Workers claim Wal-Mart pays sub-standard wages and denies workers standard employee benefits. In the United States, the store has been brought before the National Labour Relations Board on numerous occasions for its union busting campaigns against workers.

Here at home, the Quebec Federation of Labour is attempting to establish unions to protect employee rights in several Wal-Mart stores. In January, Wal-Mart employees in St-Hyacinthe won the right to bargain after their union received accreditation.

Due to the precarious position of employees at sister Wal-Marts, union leaders have decided against calling for a boycott as a response to the announced closure of the Jonquière store — although Parti Québécois opposition leader Bernard Landry says he personally plans to boycott shopping at Wal-Mart.

Is it possible I have finally found something to agree with Bernard Landry about?

SHARON McCULLY

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Snow Shoe Club accounts are appreciated

DEAR EDITOR,

I refer to the minutes of the Sherbrooke Snow Shoe Club in the Feb. 8 Record. It is mentioned that there are those who complain about the amount of space the SSSC is using.

These articles are one of the first that I read when the paper arrives (Tom Cavanagh's column is also a favourite). Mr. Blenkhorn's colorful description of their meetings and the reviews of the guest speakers are most interesting and entertaining.

It would be a great loss if he is forced to cut down on these articles. If any cutting has to be made, I would

not miss the fact that Mr. and Mrs. So-And-So visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blow a couple of months ago.

JOYCE OSSINGTON

## Blenkhorn should be congratulated

DEAR EDITOR,

Pertaining to the Sherbrooke Snow Shoe Club articles, I find them very interesting and very well presented. Cec Blenkhorn should be congratulated. After reading them, one would almost think they were there.

The Record and the SSSC started a long time ago and I wish them both the best. As for the Record it may have its faults but we are lucky to have it.

Sincerely,

WARREN ROSS  
Bromptonville

## M.D.s:

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cannot guarantee them. So often, they don't come here," Lemoine said. Philips said most foreign doctors who have immigrated to the province can be available to practice within two to three years if they were given a chance to intern at a hospital.

"Even when they pass their medical tests, they are given more tests to see if they can speak enough French, then they have more tests to see if they can get their residency," he said.

"Then many of them find out that most of the intern positions are already reserved for Quebec or other North American doctors. Many get discouraged and leave Quebec or they find another profession. The system slows everything down when the need is greatest."

Even the Quebec-trained doctors face roadblocks that often force them to leave the province. Many new graduates have to obtain special permits if they want to work in Montreal, Quebec City or Sherbrooke. The aim of the special permits is to force other doctors to practice in smaller communities. But many end up leaving the province altogether rather than taking in a smaller income in a rural practice.

Since the early 1990s, an average of 500 doctors a year have left Canada for the United States where they can set up more lucrative private practices. Just in Montreal, lax regulations have resulted in about 100 doctors opting out of the public medicare system in the past few years and setting up private clinics that contravene the Canada Health Act.

But Philips argues the Quebec government is more concerned with where it will build two Montreal super hospitals than with the doctor shortage.

"They have spent years and millions of dollars on consultants and committees and studies and nothing has been built yet," he said.

"Meanwhile, patients wait and some of them die. And the foreign doctors who are denied the chance to practice wait years and their skills and their training are wasted."

## Wal-Mart to face criticism

By Nicolas Van Praet

Wal-Mart Stores Inc. could come under more fire this week as the world's biggest retailer continues to fend off criticism from its decision to close its first unionized store in North America.

The Bentonville, Ark., company will release fourth-quarter and full-year results Thursday. Investors are unlikely to focus on Wal-Mart's decision last week to shut down its Jonquiere outlet, but anxious employees, labour leaders, and consumers alike will be interested to hear if the retailer's executives have anything more to say about the closure.

Wal-Mart's move should be seen as a warning to all its employees that it is not friendly to unions, said Karl Moore, a business professor at McGill University. At the same time, the company is being challenged by a growing number of consumers who feel it is being too aggressive in its business strategies, he said.

"There's always some critics of any organization of any size. But the fringe is growing who are concerned about Wal-Mart."

Wal-Mart had been trying to buff its image, recently trotting out full-page advertisements in more than 100 U.S. newspapers to quash criticism it underpays employees and skimps on their benefits.

The negative publicity surrounding the company will almost certainly continue.

There could be an organized boycott.

But whether the Quebec closure and the outrage it has provoked has any lasting resonance is another question.

Said Moore: "As consumers, we are fairly hypocritical because we complain but then we still buy."

Wal-Mart has been able to offer low prices, in part, by keeping labour costs low. It has opposed unions in the past. The company is expected to earn 74 cents US a share for the quarter and \$2.40 per share for the full year, according to a survey of 26 analysts.

### WESTJET TO REPORT FIRST LOSS

On Tuesday, Canada's second largest air carrier, WestJet Airlines, is expected to report its first quarterly loss in nearly eight years. The Calgary company said last week it will take a \$47.6-million charge to quicken the pullout of 18 older Boeing jets, which it's replacing with 16 previously ordered planes. The move will reduce the number of seats for sale in the market overall, which some analysts say is desperately needed to boost prices.

"The vortex of overcapacity is gathering momentum," Ben Cherniavsky, an analyst with brokerage Raymond James, said in a recent research report. "Flights have never been so cheap."

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## On Valentine's Day, indulge in good chocolate!

There are times that the snow continues adding to our landscape and when temperatures keep dropping to all kinds of ungodly readings making us feel like winter will never end.

Many of us want to bury our heads under 12 inches of blankets and hideout till warmer time, but it's time to celebrate: We have passed winter's half-way mark, and the first day of spring is only 37 days away.



ANNA MAY KINNEY

It's my opinion that we should put more importance on Valentine's Day. Make it a legal holiday, giving everyone time off work to celebrate. We don't need an excuse to celebrate during June, July or August, we need something now to lift our spirits and put smiles on our faces, we need a holiday! And I don't mean a day that is designed just for romantic lovers; it needs to be a day of pure love of everything beautiful, rich and indulgent, a day to love life.

The history of Valentine's Day is speculative, some say that it was to honor a temple priest who served during the reign of Emperor Claudius and who refused to give up Christianity. Others say that it really had more to do with being the eve of a pagan holiday when young people were paired off, sometimes for a day, a month or a year.

All we really know is that in 496 A.D. Pope Gelasius set aside Feb. 14 to honor St. Valentine and we have been doing so since. Over the years, this St. Valentine became the patron saint of lovers, and Feb. 14 became the date for exchanging gifts and messages of love. It matters not why we celebrate St. Valentine's day. What matters is that we have a holiday right in the middle of winter to bring people's spirits up.

### CHOCOLATE: THE PERFECT INDULGENCE

For hundreds of years, chocolate has been used to help get people get into the mood for love; it's a proven

aphrodisiac. The chemicals in chocolate give us that "loving feeling," and it is common for us to substitute chocolate for sex when the latter is not available.

Modern research can now explain why chocolate has been used for centuries to help treat depression. They have found that chocolate releases "happy" chemical serotonin in the brain, reducing anxiety, while lifting our spirits.

Containing small amounts of stimulants, it also reduces pain as it triggers the release of our own endorphins.

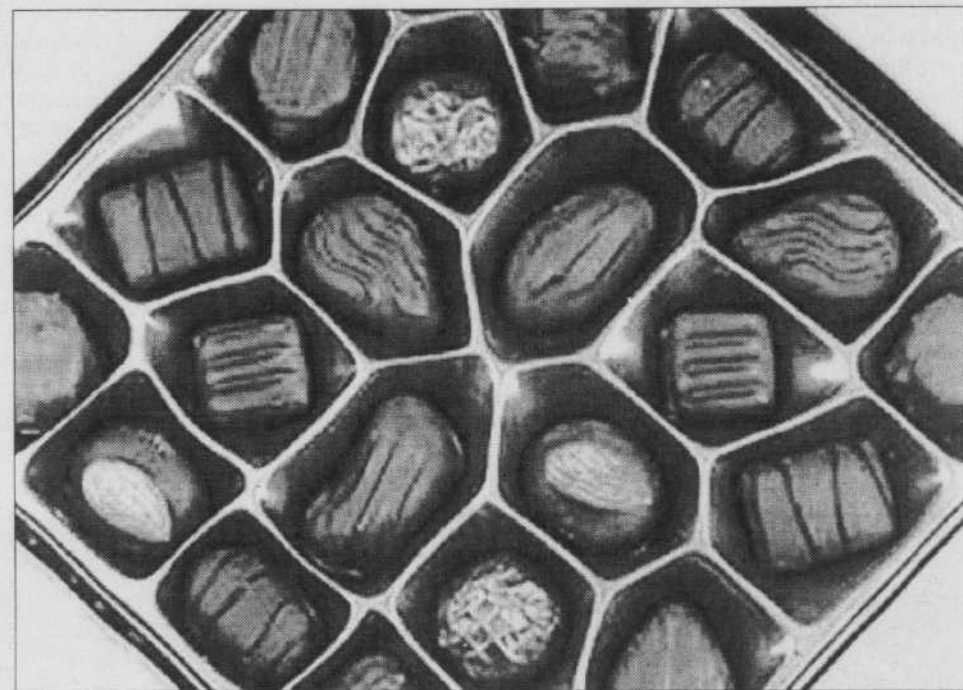
Studies have shown that the darker chocolate is, the more it increases antioxidants in your blood. These antioxidants combat free radicals, which are increased by pollution and sunlight and are linked to arthritis, premature ageing, artery damage, cancer, and heart disease. It also contains potassium, iron and vitamins A, B1, C, D and E, which are good for your nerves, heart and muscles.

Researchers have also found that cocoa butter helps to reduce cholesterol. Flavenols found in cocoa drinks and chocolate help boost the production of nitric oxide, keeping blood platelets from clumping.

It offers the same kind of help that taking aspirin does in keeping our blood circulating, and helping to regulate blood pressure. A 50g bar of chocolate contains the same amount of flavonols as two glasses of red wine, four cups or tea, six apples or seven onions.

The higher amount of cocoa in chocolate drinks or candies the more it helps in the prevention of heart problems. This dark chocolate seems to make the blood vessels more flexible, helping in the prevention of hardening of the arteries, which often leads to heart attacks.

As part of a healthy lifestyle, moderate amounts of chocolate can be good for your weight. Research shows that a diet containing about an ounce



COURTESY ANNA MAY KINNEY

Dark chocolate contains many compounds that are good for circulation, the heart and for improving moods. It's even an aphrodisiac.

of chocolate a day increases good cholesterol while preventing bad cholesterol from oxidizing (a process that lead may to heart disease).

Now this is real chocolate that we are talking about, not just any over the counter candy bar containing processed sugars and trans fats. Most real dark chocolate contains natural fruit sugars or cane sugar; make sure to read that label to avoid added vegetable fats or anything artificial.

### WOMEN, BE THANKFUL YOU'RE NOT IN JAPAN

With this being Valentine's Day there should be no shortage of good chocolate available. Spoil yourselves, your loved ones and friends with this heart healthy treat and be thankful you don't live in Japan or you would have to wait for a holiday called White Day (March 14) for the men in your life to give out gifts of chocolates, because Feb. 14 is when Japanese women are encouraged to express love to men by giving them chocolates.

Seeing that most men consider it is an insult not to receive any chocolate, and can become very embarrassed when they receive nothing, women feel obligated to give small chocolate gifts to their father, brothers, co-workers and almost all male acquaintances.

They even have a name for this tradition; when a woman gives chocolate to a man she doesn't feel special romantic love for it is called "giri (obligation)-choco (chocolate)."

The more expensive chocolates are bestowed on the man who is the object of a woman's affection; this is called "honmei (prospective winner)-choco (chocolate)" and the man who receives this type of gift is considered lucky. Many women also like to give these men special gifts, such as neckties and clothes.

Whether man, woman or child, here in the northern hemisphere it's time to spoil yourself and lift your spirits, so sit back with that hot cup of dark chocolate and enjoy! Happy St. Valentine's Day to all!

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# Rekindling your love beyond V-Day

Valentine's Day provides a great opportunity to step out of the daily routine and rekindle relationships with loved ones.



LIES OUWERKERK

Not only by calling the florist and having a bouquet of beautiful flowers sent to your significant other, but also by showing that you really care and would like to dedicate some time to him or her.

Take stock of your love relationship

and ask yourself the following questions: When was the last time you spoke with your partner for at least an uninterrupted half an hour? How often do you actually go on a date together? And if you do, how often does that date go beyond the occasional movie, or does not focus on your career or the children?

If you don't date at all, are you convinced that dates and romance only fit in the lives of the young and single? Or do you have another perfect excuse: Your life is simply too busy?

Whether your relationship seems satisfying to you or not, chances are that you need a little boost in order to bring back that romantic feeling of earlier times. So take your chance on Feb. 14!

True romantics, of course, are not only showing their love on special occasions like Valentine's Day, but do so on any given day of the year.

They realize that love is not necessarily expressed in once-a-year gifts on prescribed days. On the contrary, they know that the thought and the time going into finding the right gift, even the most inexpensive, or the real effort of spending quality time together on any given day will mean so much more!

If you have lost that spark in your relationship or have forgotten how creative you used to be in your courtship phase, the books listed below may provide you with some valuable suggestions for rediscovering romance.

Some ideas will not be your fancy, others may have to be adapted to your particular circumstances, but you will

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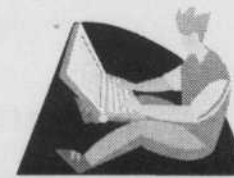
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MEG

Ain't no mountain high enough To keep me from you.  
A.A.

**GENEVIEVE,**  
You're the love of my life! Kissy. Kissy. Love "BEAU BLEU"

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BARBARA

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Love KYLE  
xo xo

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xo

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Here's a wish for Valentine's Day: Since you're the kind of person good things should happen to... May each moment of your day be filled with love!  
LOUISE

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You're my favourite person in the whole world! The kids and I are so happy to have you and we love you.  
ANDRE

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No one could ever love a wife and believe in her more deeply than I love and believe in you.  
Love, STAN

**JENNIFER**  
22 years has gone by and it seems like yesterday when I asked you to marry me. I will love you forever and ever. Happy Valentine's Day with all my love.  
JIM

# Valentine's Day!

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WENDY

**DEFF,**  
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also find that some are plain fun and will open your mind to a whole range of romantic possibilities.

Here are a few of their examples that may make your relationship fly higher:

- Move beyond the predictable flowers, chocolate and perfume gifts, or use them as a starter. Keep in mind, however, that real romance is about the little things and small gestures at times when you are not required to.
- Always gift-wrap your gifts. A nice presentation is key!
- Sneak back to the shop where your partner pointed out an item she/he really liked, and purchase it.
- Place a single flower under the wind-

shield wiper of his/her car

- Write a little love note (on nice paper) and hide it under his/her pillow, in his/her checkbook, or eye glasses case.
- Schedule more time for foreplay. Don't leave lovemaking until just before going to sleep. Also, make love in unusual places at unusual times.
- Attach a \$100 bill to a Victoria's Secret catalogue, along with a note saying, "You choose."
- After you have said goodbye to each other, turn back one more time and blow a kiss.
- Whisper sweet nothings in his/her ear while out in public.
- Take a massage class together.
- Create an at-home-date with candles, or a picnic in front of the fireplace or in bed. Instead of a babysitter coming in and you going out, send them all out to

the movies, and stay in yourselves.

- It needs two to tango, so sign up together for some tango dancing lessons. These, and other creative and romantic ideas can be found in the following picks: The romantic's guide: hundreds of creative tips for a lifetime of love by M. Webb; 1001 ways to be romantic & romantic dates by G. Godek; 365 ways to date your love: a daily guide to creative romance by Tomima Edmark; 101 ways to say I love you by Vicki Lansky; The complete idiot's guide to dating by Judith Kuriansky.

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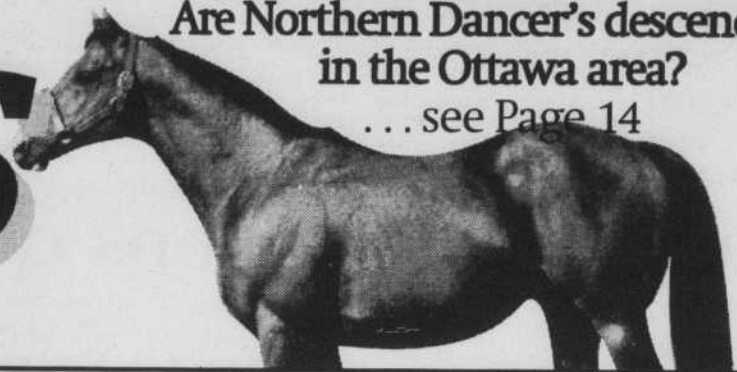
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## Head coach Leo Rautins wants to build

By Mike Hickey  
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD.

"I want every kid in Canada growing up wanting to play for the Canadian National Basketball Team."

With that statement Leo Rautins demonstrated a desire not only to produce a winning team on the court but also to install a desire to win a Canadian uniform into the psyche of every young player in the country.

It was a desire he had when he became the youngest member of the National Team at the tender age of 16, a high school player out of Toronto's St. Michael's College who soon developed into one of the top players in the country.

He became a 10-year veteran of the Canadian Men's National Team and a member of the Canadian Basketball Hall of Fame. One of the top basketball players to ever come out of Canada, Rautins was a member of the Canadian Men's National Team during the years of 1977-82 and 1989-1992.

During his international career, Rautins represented Canada at two FIBA World Championships (1978, 1982), two FIBA Americas Olympic Qualification Tournaments (1980, 1992) and was a mem-

ber of the 1980 Olympic squad which did not compete at the Moscow Summer Games because of a boycott. Those facts tell only part of the story.

A six-foot-eight forward, Rautins became the first Canadian ever selected in the opening round of the NBA Entry Draft when the Philadelphia 76ers chose him 17th overall in 1983.

Rautins would go on to spend two seasons with the 76ers, Indiana Pacers

and Atlanta Hawks before playing for seven seasons in the Italian, French and Spanish professional leagues from 1985-92.

The knock on Rautins' appointment, and it is a legitimate one, is that he doesn't have any coaching experience. Interesting enough, neither does Kevin McHale, who Sunday stepped in to replace Flip Saunders as the head coach of the NBA's Minnesota Timberwolves.

Rautins was a teammate of both Saunders and McHale for one year at the University of Minnesota. There has been a history of front office and media

types stepping in to coach successfully in the NBA, and Basketball Canada is gambling that Rautins can do it with Team Canada.

McHale has the task of trying to put some life and emotion into an underachieving team while Rautins must convince the country's most talented players that there is

no feeling in the world like representing your country in an Olympics or World Championships.

At the same time, he wants to turn young athletes onto the game of basketball much like his former coach, Jack Donohue, once did.

Despite the lack of coaching resumé, Rautins has been active in grassroots basketball development in several youth basketball camps and clinics



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across Canada and upstate New York, including the Rautins-House International Basketball School and the Adirondack Basketball Camp.

He knows the game, has been successful teaching fundamentals and now must work under the restraints of the Canadian Sport structure.

His first major international competition with the squad will take place this summer at the 2005 FIBA Americas World Championship Qualification Tournament in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

The top four countries at the event, along with Argentina, will qualify for the 2006 FIBA World Championship in

Tokyo, Japan.

By virtue of their 2004 gold medal at the Summer Olympics, Argentina has already secured a berth into next year's 24-country field. Should Argentina finish in the top four at this year's qualifier, the tournament's fifth place team will qualify for next year's FIBA World Championship. It won't be an easy task but Rautins would not be satisfied with moral victories.

"I am not interested in competing, we are going to go to win," Rautins told the media Friday. "It that puts more pressure so be it."

He is off to a good start but the journey is long and full of obstacles.

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## HORSE RACING

## Blood of champions runs in Ottawa Valley's horses

By Joanne Laucius

Up and down the Ottawa Valley, dozens of horse lovers have some rather unusual bragging rights. They can claim that their mounts are the grandsons and -daughters of the legendary Secretariat — and the great-grandsons and -daughters of the great Northern Dancer.

An Arnprior, Ont., horse is the reason. Nias, sired by Secretariat and the grandson of Northern Dancer has sired some 120 registered thoroughbreds and maybe twice as many foals in matings with mares of other breeds, from quarterhorses to Appaloosas.

Nias, now 24, has made it his vocation for the past decade to broadcast the genes of two of the greatest racehorses of the past century all over the Ottawa Valley.

At about \$1,000 a pop in breeding fees, having a Nias foal with those astonishing bloodlines has been an affordable luxury for horse lovers all over Eastern Ontario.

How Nias came to live in Arnprior is a story in itself. His co-owner, Marilyn Bandy, was in Florida looking for a new stallion for Marlandy Stables when she heard about the bay stallion at an auction.

Born in Maryland in 1980, Nias' dam was Royal Statute and her sire was Northern Dancer. A syndicate had bought Nias for more than \$1 million US before he even had a chance to race.

But Nias suffered a bowed tendon — a common-enough injury that often brings a horse's racing career screeching to a halt. Meanwhile, the syndicate began a series of legal squabbles over his ownership.

"I just happened to be at the right place at the right time," says Bandy.

By the time the legal dust had settled, Nias was almost 15 and had never raced. His owner was Virginia Harding, who still retains co-ownership.

"He never got a chance to prove himself," says Bandy.

At least at the racetrack. But in the world of horse racing, a stud's success is measured by the success of his foals.

While some breed registries allow mares to be bred through artificial insemination — by remote, so to speak — the Jockey Club demands that thoroughbred mares be bred by the stud — in person, so to speak.

Some of Nias' foals have gone on to the big time — they have combined earnings of some \$382,000 US.

By the time Nias came to Arnprior, he had already sired a number of moderately successful racehorses, including Secretariat's legend out of a mare called Smoggy, who had \$87,000 US in North American winnings. Sailing Sain had earnings of over \$46,000 US and Itchee Annie had earnings of over \$37,000 US.

Other foals had been sent outside North America — Fast and Shifty was sent to Peru to race and Concert Grande went to the Dominican Republic.

And the wins don't stop at the track.

Marilyn McFadden of Lone Wolf Farm in Burritts Rapids, Ont., has won an impressive clutch of awards with two foals by Nias. No Spare Change and Lone Willow have had significant wins in the line class at the Royal Winter Fair, an event in which horses are judged for their confirmation.

No Spare Change, who is a bright chestnut like his famous grandsire, was

born in 1999. He was junior line champion at the Royal in 2000 and senior champion in 2001. Lone Willow won junior line champion in 2002 and senior and grand champion in 2003 and 2004.

In line classes, good looks are important. McFadden liked the looks of Nias. "He's regal," she says.

And the Secretariat bloodline doesn't hurt, even for a horse who will never see a racetrack.

It was partly the heart that made Secretariat a legend. When he was autopsied after his death in 1989, his heart weighed 22 pounds, about triple what is typical. A large heart essentially makes a horse an oxygenation machine. That kind of power is valuable in other equestrian disciplines, including jumping and eventing.

"You're looking at bloodlines and athleticism," says McFadden. "He had big lungs and a big heart."

Bev Millar of North Gower near Ottawa owns Veenus, a Trakehner mare who has had a Nias foal, a filly called Sally Go Round the Sun. Veenus is carrying her second Nias foal.

Some horse breeders like to mix thoroughbred blood to the bloodlines of warmbloods like Trakehners to add some fizz and ele-

gance. Having Nias's blood gave a "nice lightness" to Sally, who was sold last summer, says Millar.

"The opportunity to have a foal with this parentage doesn't come along very often."

Nias is known for his easy temperament and good manners, and so are many of his foals.

"She's smart and easygoing and just a delight," says Millar of Sally.

Nias turns 25 in May. Northern Dancer, who commanded \$1 million US in stud fees in the early 1980s, lived to be 28, a ripe old age for a thoroughbred. He produced 635 foals.

Secretariat, who produced 653 foals, died at 19. His notable descendants include Smarty Jones and Storm Cat. Nias still looks good and feels good, says Bandy. "He looks like a five-year-old."

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**BOCKUS** - Russell and Muriel Bockus would like to thank all their friends and family for their cards, visits and phone calls on the occasion of their 60th Anniversary. Muriel also wishes to thank everyone who has been so kind and thoughtful in so many ways since her fall on December 9.

MURIEL BOCKUS

**CHUTE, Doug** - We would like to sincerely thank everyone who sent flowers, sent cards, brought food in, gave donations in Doug's memory. We cannot express how your support and kindness helped my family and I during this difficult time.

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**Deaths**

**BUSHE, Susan 1950-2005** - Passed away at the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital in Cowansville, on Friday, February 11th, 2005, at the age of 55. Susan Bushe, beloved spouse of Larry Fountain. Predeceased by her parents Scott Bushe and Elizabeth Telford. She leaves to mourn her son Lucas, her brother Peter and her sister Sally, her four nieces: Jeannie Aurora, Stephanie, Amy and Lindsay, other relatives and many friends. Donation can be made to World Vision, would be appreciated. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Desourdy Wilson Funeral Home, 104 Buzzell, Cowansville, Que., J2K 2N5, Tel.: (450) 263-1212, fax: (450) 263-9557, email: info@desourdywilson.com Dignity Memorial

**MARSHALL, O'Donnell, Ruth (nee Colwell)** - Peacefully at the Centre de Sante Memphremagog, Saturday, February 12th, 2005. Beloved wife of the late Kenneth Marshall. Cherished mother of John (Mary Jeffers), Catherine (Roderick Jones), Stephen, and Mary-Ellen (Michel Herborchon). Loving grandmother of Lauren, Christopher, Andrea, Dominique and Emilie. Ruth will also be very sadly missed by her sister Mary (Allan Bachelder), sister-in-law Harriet Colwell, many other relatives and friends. Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 545 Dufferin, Stanstead (819-876-5213) Tuesday, February 15th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., where family and friends may come to visit. The funeral service will be held in St. Mathias Anglican Church, Fitch Bay, Wednesday, February 16th at 2:00 p.m., with Reverend Barbara Wintle officiating. Interment in Rideau Gardens, Montreal, Thursday, February 17th at 11:00 a.m. As a tribute to her memory, donations to St. Mathias Anglican Church, c/o Ardell Phaneuf, 18 Vanier, Stanstead, Que., J0B 3E5, would be greatly appreciated by the family.

**Deaths**

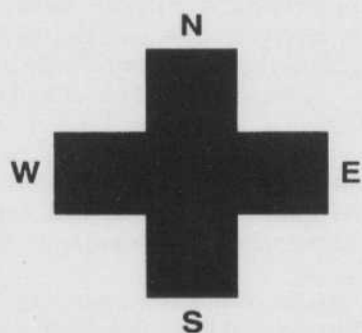
**McBRIDE EATON, Phoebe (nee Jones)** - Passed away quietly at Knowlton House on February 13, 2005, in her 87th year. Predeceased by her husbands, George McBride and James G. Eaton, her brothers Harry, James, Wilfred and Alfred Jones. Predeceased by her sister-in-law Hazel McBride (Frederick Flood). Brothers-in-law, William and John McBride. Survived by her daughter Georgina McBride (J. Randolph Durrell), grandchildren, Stephanie and Justin Durrell, sisters Phyllis (Hebert White) of Vancouver, Kathleen (Rodrick Young) of Otterburn Park, Eleanor (Ben Johnston) of Brockville, Ontario, her stepdaughter, Lynn Eaton and Kathy Story of Brampton, Ontario, step-son, James Eaton (Geno) and step-grandchildren of British Columbia and many nieces, great and great-great nieces & nephews. Past District Deputy of Victoria Rebecca's Lodge #19, Past President of the Canadian Legion, Brome Branch #23, Knowlton, Quebec. A memorial service will take place in May upon the opening of St-James Anglican Church in Foster. Interment at the Hillhouse Cemetery, West Bolton on that day. In her memory, donations to the Brome Missisquoi Perkins Hospital Foundation would be appreciated. Funeral arrangements by: Bessette & Sons Funeral Home, 5034, Foster Street, Waterloo, Tel: 539-1606 or 1-888-730-6666 Fax: 450-539-3035 www.famillebessette.com

**ST-AMANT, Maurice - 1926-2005** - At the IUGS (Argyl Pavilion), in Sherbrooke, on February 8, 2005, at the age of 78 years, Maurice St-Amant, beloved husband of Beverley Clark, living in Stanstead, Quebec. Dear father of: Robert (Diane Veillet), Pierre (Alexandra Mattei), David and Michel; his cherished grandchildren: Etienne, Catherine, Julien, Jonathan and Camille. Survived by many nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends. The family would like to thank the staff of the Geriatric Institute for their kind and generous support. Cremation was held in Granby at Les Jardins Funeraires Bessette. At his request there will be no visitation or service. Interment at the Bethanie Cemetery at a later date. Funeral Arrangements: Les Jardins Funeraires Bessette, 997, des Colombes (angle St-Jude N.), Granby. Tél.: (450) 777-1171 or 1-888-730-6666 Fax: (450) 777-4393 www.famillebessette.com

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**MEADE, Winifred Margaret (nee Mount) 1914 - 2005** - The angels came for Fredi at the Wales Home in Richmond, Quebec on February 11, 2005. Beloved wife of the late Archdeacon Sydney Albert Meade of the Anglican Diocese of Quebec. Devoted and cherished mother of daughter Kathryn Chappell (Michael) of Duncan, BC, son Michael (Ginette) of Bromptonville, Quebec, grandmother to Stephany (Gordon), Adam, Kendra and Alexandre. Sister to Florence Griffin of Bowmanville, Ontario. Also left to mourn are many nieces and nephews, as well as a host of life long friends from coast to coast. The family would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to the dedicated staff and friends at the Wales Home who made her last days so peaceful. The funeral service will be held at All Saints Anglican Church in Peterborough, Ontario on Wednesday, February 16, 2005 with visitation from 1 - 2 p.m. in the church. A memorial service will be held at a later date at St. John the Divine Church in Thetford Mines, Quebec, with interment at Malvern Cemetery, Lennoxville, Quebec. For those who wish to honour Fredi's kind and generous spirit, the family respectfully requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Wales Home Foundation (506 Route 143 North, Richmond, Quebec, J0B 2H0). She will be deeply missed. Cremation entrusted to the Steve L. Elkas Funeral Home, Sherbrooke, Quebec, tel.: 819-565-1155; fax: 819-820-8872; e-mail stevel.elkas@videotron.ca



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Monday, Feb. 14, 2005

## A loving card for a beloved partner

By Phillip Alder

Even on Valentine's Day, it is still common wisdom that married couples shouldn't play bridge together. However, back in 1935, in New York City, there was a memorable 150-rubber match between two married couples: Josephine and Ely Culbertson, and Dorothy and P. Hal Sims.

Those who knew the players were expecting fireworks, but everyone behaved impeccably. Ely called his wife sweetka (exposing his Russian connections) or darling. Ely called Hal maestro or Petronius (a Roman satirist). Hal referred to Ely as the professor. The women called each other Jo and Dorrie. How did Hal compliment his wife? Read on.

Mrs. Sims made a psychic opening bid of one club. (She inadvertently invented the word "psychic." She was trying to say "psychological.") Hal, unable to find out if his partner had the spade ace, sensibly leapt straight to seven clubs. If Ely (West) had led a spade, declarer would have had to rely on the heart finesse. If West had opened with a low heart, Dorrie probably would have spent a long time deciding what to do, but everything would have worked. When West started with a trump, declarer won in hand, ruffed a low diamond on the board, and ran dummy's trumps, keeping the spade ace, a heart and three diamond honors in her hand. Then, she played a spade to her ace and cashed the two top diamonds, throwing hearts from the board. When East's queen dropped, declarer claimed. If the diamond queen had not appeared, South still had the heart finesse available. Immediately, Hal exclaimed, "My angel!" Then, thinking that that was insufficient, he added, "My sweet!"

## Such effort can be suffocating

### Annie's Mailbox

Dear Readers: Happy Valentine's Day to all of you, and especially to our veterans in VA hospitals around the country. And a special thanks to all our readers who have taken the time to visit the vets and send valentines. Bless you.

Dear Annie: I am 22 years old and was engaged to "Marty" for three years. I thought everything was going great. I always gave him everything he wanted. If he needed groceries, I would buy them. If he needed money, I always gave it to him. There was nothing in this world I wouldn't do for Marty.

Last month, Marty decided I had nothing to offer him and he ended our relationship. I feel like I lost such a huge part of my life, and now that it's over, all that matters to me is keeping my friendship with him.

I recently found out there is a new girl in Marty's life. The news that he has someone else so soon after our breakup has ripped me apart. I'm not trying to ruin his new relationship, but how can I deal with such heartbreak and still maintain our friendship? — Sad and Lonely in Colorado

Dear Sad: For the moment, you can't. You need a breather from Marty so you can put the breakup in perspective. You deserve to be in a healthy relationship where you don't have to be a doormat in order to gain someone's love. Marty did not appreciate your

constant need to please him. Such effort can be suffocating.

Do not contact Marty. Go out with friends, get involved in fun activities, and concentrate on ways to be good to yourself. If you need counseling, get it. Time will ease your heartbreak. Relationships should be give-and-take, and yours was all give.

Dear Annie: My 33-year-old daughter, "Lily," is irresponsible when it comes to paying her bills. She has a full-time job and is divorced with two teenage children.

When Lily was married, she and her husband lied about the reasons why they could not pay rent, borrowed money that they never paid back and also moved in with us. Each time they screwed up, we bailed them out. My wife and I finally got tired of all the lies and threw them out of the house.

Now that Lily is divorced, she is back in our home and on the same destructive path. There are two grandchildren involved. What's a parent to do? — Desperate

Dear Desperate: It's hard to let your child make her own mistakes, sink or swim. Lily is 33 years old and needs to learn about fiscal responsibility. As long as she knows you will pay her way, she will let you. Teach her how to keep a budget, but don't bail her out.

Show her how to start saving so she can live independently. If necessary, offer to keep the kids while she learns how to fend for herself.

Dear Annie: I am a road cyclist and would like drivers to please follow a few courteous behaviors:

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2. If you are approaching an intersection that has a right-hand bike lane, please make sure you are not cutting off a cyclist as you turn.

3. Pay attention to how fast we're moving. Some cyclists can maintain speeds in excess of 20 mph. Misjudgment has led to many near-accidents.

4. Cyclists have the right of way, just like pedestrians, at intersections. Please allow us to cross the street before you zoom ahead at the green light.

I know there are some cyclists who don't obey traffic laws, but for those of us who do, could you please watch out for us? — Dedicated Reader and Cyclist

Dear Cyclist: We appreciate your pointers. Drivers and cyclists both should take care to watch out for one another.

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

## 60th Wedding Anniversary

Ruby and Eric Sherrer will be observing their 60th wedding anniversary on February 17, 2005. Thanks to all who attended our party on October 9, 2004.

## Four Generations



Four generations from left to right: Paula Gaylor Rousseau, Reid Gaylor, Carter James Rousseau and Mrs. Irene Gaylor.

On December 18, 2004 at 7:00 p.m., Carter James Rousseau of Moranville, Alberta was baptised in the Bolton Center United Church with Rev. Ryk Allen officiating. Carter is the infant son of Paula Gaylor Rousseau and Dean Rousseau, grandson of Mr. Reid Gaylor, Foster, Que., and Linda Ough Comstock of Cardinal, Ontario and great-grandson of Mrs. Irene Gaylor of Bolton Center, Que., and Mrs. Winnifred Ough of Ontario. After the christening a lunch was served at the church for family and friends.

Dean and Paula Rousseau, Carter and big sister Sydney have been visiting Mrs. Irene Gaylor for the Christmas holidays.

## Birchton UCW

Six members of the Birchton UCW met at 1:30 p.m. on January 11th at the home of Eleanor Taylor for their first meeting of 2005.

Rena Halsall was chairperson who called the meeting to order. We began by repeating the UCW purpose. Next came the devotional period led by Serena Wintle. This featured the Bible account of Jesus' baptism, the scripture passage being read by Rev. Barbara Willard. Serena's meditation closed with all repeating the Lord's Prayer after we'd sung a hymn.

The secretary, Marion Sparkes, read the minutes of last year's annual meeting, also the minutes of the December 2004 meeting. Both reports were approved as read. Serena then read the treasurer's report which showed a favorable balance.

Eleanor Taylor read an article from Saltscapes magazine about what the UCW group at River Phillip, Nova Scotia, were doing to raise funds to keep their church going strong and to pay for renovating their very old building.

The membership of our Birchton UCW is sadly dwindling in numbers and somebody must be persuaded to accept the office of vice-president so we may have someone to whom papers and information may be sent. There will be no meeting held in February, but we are planning to visit some Wales Home friends.

Rena will order our usual quantity of the "Happenings" bulletins.

Tentative dates were made for our two main fundraisers, the Garage Sale, May 7th and the Annual Fall Tea and Sale of Food and other articles, Oct. 22nd. Both these events will require a lot of volunteer help from people that are not actual members of the Birchton UCW group, as we are so few to do the work.

Rena closed the business meeting by reading an appropriate poem. A pot-luck lunch of sandwiches, cookies and doughnuts was then served at Eleanor's dining room table with fruit punch and tea supplied by the hostess. Much conversation was enjoyed before the members went home.

Submitted by Eleanor Taylor

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: J equals B

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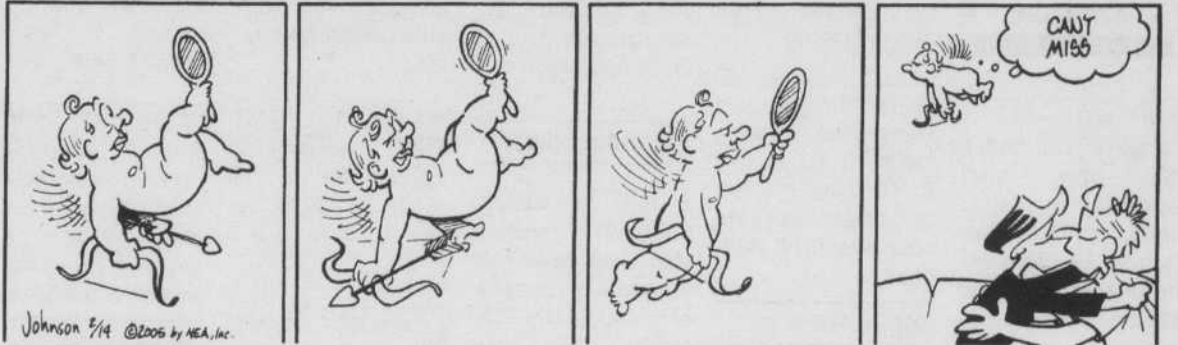


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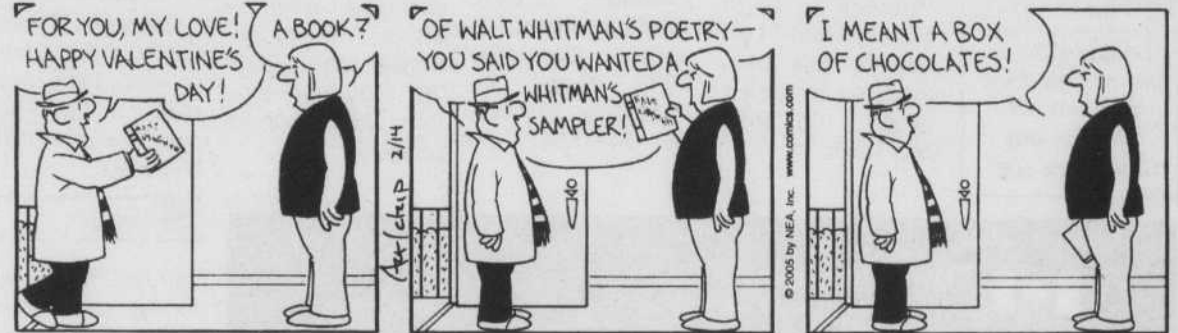
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**Friday, April 1, 2005**

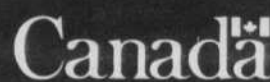
This initiative aims to provide students with work experience related to their field of study. Applications will be assessed based on the eligibility criteria, regional and local priorities, the quality of the work experience offered, as well as budget availability.

To apply or to find out more about this initiative, please contact the nearest Human Resource Centre of Canada or call **1 800 935-5555**.

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**Birchton Eleanor Taylor**

One Friday night in late January Serena and Gilbert Wintle entertained Helen and Eleanor Taylor for supper and a few games of cards. Gilbert and Eleanor were the lucky winners that night. So on Feb. 5th, Eleanor invited the same people over to supper and cards at her house. That night Helen and Serena got sweet revenge by winning every game, we played!

Birthday wishes to Samantha Taylor who will turn 15 years of age around Valentine's Day.

Frances O'Hara and Polly Smith have returned to this village after spending awhile at their own relatives homes in Ontario. These two ladies take turns caring for their aged mother, Ethel MacLeod. In their absence Ethel's other daughter, Helen Taylor, moved over to her mother's house as caregiver. The nurse from the Cookshire CLSC also comes weekly to give Ethel baths and to check-up on her medical needs, also Ethel's 16 year old great-granddaughter Erica Taylor is often available as a temporary "sitter."

**Your Birthday**

**Monday, Feb. 14, 2005**

Handle any dealings you have with newfound associates with caution and vigilance in the year ahead. Many will be trustworthy, but a few may not be, so take time to get to know each for his or her true value.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) – Unfortunately, thoughtless people can be found everywhere and one such individual may cross your path today. Recognize it and don't take anything to heart that this person says or does.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) – Concern that the truth might cause discomfort could tempt you to alter the details of an honest alibi. Don't, because even little white lies could get you into a lot of hot water today.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) – Someone with whom you may be associating today might feel that what is yours is his or hers and have no qualms about laying claim to your property. Don't feel as if you must comply.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) – Remember that no one can make you feel insufficient or insignificant unless you buy into the hypersensitivity that this person feeds upon. Call his or her bluff and hold your head up high.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) – You may start out in a good mood today, but as time moves on your attitude could switch to imagining a number of unkind thoughts about yourself. Don't be your own worst enemy.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) – If the facts are starting to alert you that someone with whom you're involved financially is masking his or her true motives, don't ignore them. Follow the warnings and protect yourself.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) – There are times when humility or tooting your own horn can be called for, but today if you are out with an important person, just be yourself. This individual is not looking for either extreme.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) – Usually you're smart enough not to let flattery fool you, yet today you may swallow a

line being voiced by someone who is masterminding a plot to use you in some manner. Be true to yourself.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) – Squandering funds in order to keep up with the Joneses in hopes of impressing someone you like is folly. The only thing you'll gain is a depleted bank account and deprivation later.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) – Take care today that you don't sacrifice a personal interest for someone who really doesn't deserve it. If this turns out to be the case, chances are this person won't even show any gratitude.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) – It's unlike you to try to palm off your responsibilities onto someone else. Although this may be tempting, first, no one will do the job as well as you, and second, your conscience won't let you.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) – You may have stars in your eyes early on today and get sidetracked by all the glitter, but before the day is over, you'll realize what is really important to you and what has true value.

**CROSSWORD**

**ACROSS**

- 1 Flesh mark
- 5 IOUs
- 10 Pearl Harbor's island
- 14 Seep
- 15 Hawaiian hello
- 16 "QB VII" author
- 17 PC symbol
- 18 Jury
- 19 Nor'easter
- 20 1940 Jack Benny movie
- 23 Hemp for sacks
- 24 \_\_\_ on your life!
- 25 Name on cakes
- 28 Prima donna's problem
- 29 Pen partner?
- 32 Etching fluids
- 33 Imitate

- 34 Melancholy
- 35 1955 hit by Frank Sinatra
- 39 Periods
- 40 Spacewalk, to NASA
- 41 Baseball's Doubleday
- 42 L. Michaels' show
- 43 Loony
- 44 Bob Marley's band
- 46 Little yelp
- 47 Cheap jewelry
- 48 1979 George Hamilton movie
- 55 Proper companion?
- 56 Peace goddess
- 57 Early garden
- 58 Contributed
- 59 \_\_\_ on (mollicoddles)
- 60 Direct
- 61 Greenspan or King

- 22 Moo \_\_\_ gai pan
- 25 Yard and garage events
- 26 Potential oak
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- 29 Leveling tool
- 30 Boring tool
- 31 Lascivious looks
- 33 Docs' org.
- 34 Fundamentalist region
- 36 Counterpart of spring
- 37 Movie on a PC
- 38 "I Can't Make You Love Me"

- singer Bonnie
- 43 Mama \_\_\_!
- 44 Alerted
- 45 Value
- 46 Oman neighbor
- 47 Pitiful piece of art?
- 48 Org. of Webb and Sorenstam
- 49 Evangelist Roberts
- 50 "\_\_\_ Zapata!"
- 51 Aquatic croaker
- 52 Brainstorm
- 53 Yoked group
- 54 Ceases

**Saturday's Puzzle Solved**

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**DOWN**

- 1 Make dirty
- 2 Fashion designer Chanel
- 3 Black Sea arm
- 4 Turncoats
- 5 Writer du Maurier
- 6 Comic Boosler
- 7 Like the banks of Loch Lomond
- 8 Fare-\_\_\_well
- 9 "The Catcher in the Rye" author
- 10 Relative of should
- 11 Part of U.A.R.
- 12 Hawaiian port
- 13 Manipulator
- 21 Oklahoma city

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By Josiah Breward  
Scranton, PA

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## Kinnear's Mills Women's Institute

The February meeting of the Kinnear's Mills Women's Institute was held at the home of Joy Nugent at 11:30 a.m. on February 2nd. All enjoyed a noon meal and social time.

The meeting was conducted by Huguette Blais and opened by repeating the Collect, Salute to the Flag and Oath of Citizenship. Huguette thanked Joy for having this meeting for Flora MacNaul whose husband, Roy, had passed away on January 18th, in St. Joseph Pavilion, Thetford Mines. Motto: Out of adversity comes happiness.

Roll Call: What people do you know who display a Special Quality to you? This was answered by five members.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary. Pauline Nutbrown had presented our Proficiency in English Awards to Secondary 1, 2 and 3 students on January 14th. She told us that MCDC representatives could not come this month as one is on holiday in Africa. Some members showed the dishmops that were started at our last meeting.

Letters of thanks were received from

Lisa Larente, Principal of A.S. Johnson High School, for the School Awards and Sandra Morrison for the Education and Personal Development report. The treasurer's report was given by Pauline in the absence of Helen Lowry.

**Agriculture:** Audrey Allan told us that the price of milk went up 4 to 7 cents a litre and maybe the farmer will receive 4 cents. The U.S. Border is to open in March for young stock animals under 30 months. Farmers are complaining on the high cost of Municipal Taxes, as they will not receive a large rebate back.

**Health and Community Living:** Pauline Nutbrown had sent some cards and told us about many uses of Dryer sheets outside of the laundry room. The ban static electricity from window blinds, clean TV and Computer Screens, keep in drawers, closet or under a car's front seat, tuck one in a book or album so that pages won't smell musty when not opened often, run a threaded needle through a sheet to keep thread from tangling.

Education and Personal Develop-

ment: Flora MacNaul told us that February is Heart Month. The W.I. School Awards had been presented by Pauline Nutbrown, County President. Huguette Blais showed us a pamphlet, "Facts and Figures about Bishop's University Library."

**Publicity and Awareness:** Joy Nugent had sent reports to the Record and Newsletter. Each member remarked how W.I. has touched our lives in many ways. Some members told something about Finland, our International Study country. Pauline Nutbrown gave many interesting facts and Joy Nugent had a world map on display.

A donation will be given towards the Community Hall expenses.

**Program;** Tell what you collect and why.

The members have many interesting collections.

The Surprise gift was won by Huguette Blais. Flora MacNaul thanked Joy for having this meeting and all for their kindness and support during her bereavement.

Joy Nugent.

## Stanbridge East Thelma Rhicard

A Remembrance Day Service was held at the W.I. Cairn in Dunham again this year; approximately 50 folks gathered to honour the veterans who died so that we could enjoy freedom. S.E. men who have given their ultimate sacrifice are Fred Ades, Edson Callaghan, Douglas Corey and John Ramsay... "Lest We Forget." SEWI member and R.C.A.F. veteran Mary Harvey laid a wreath "In honour of the women who were in past forces also for those in present service." The Mayor of Dunham, Michel Barrette invited all to the Town Hall for Coffee which also include Mde. Barrett's fancy baking!

The Canadian Club of the Yamaska Valley gathered for their Christmas Reception at Auberge West Brome. Members and friends were entertained with Yuletide songs by the Pot Pourri Choir whose repertoire centuries. The executive had baked festive sweets which were savored during a social time.

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