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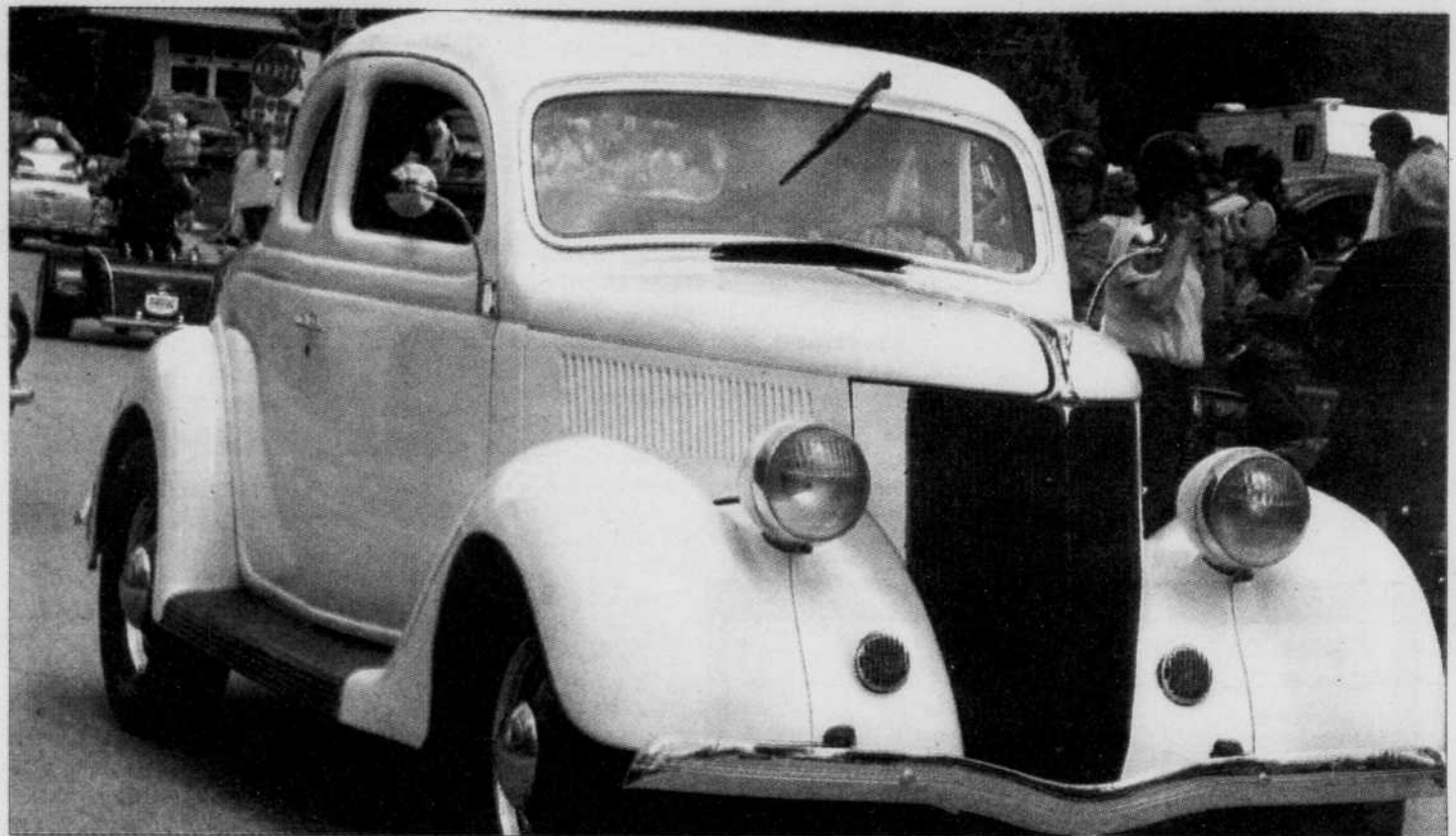
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**HE SAYS, SHE SAYS...**

"We estimate the damages to be about \$1.5M and that is without taking into consideration the losses in inventory at the stores"

GAÉTAN DROUIN, ON THE LOSSES CAUSED BY THE DOWNTOWN FIRE (THE RECORD, AUGUST 13)



CLAUDIA VILLEMAIRE

Richmond will play host to many venerable old vehicles like this classic over the weekend

## Richmond, Start Your Engines

By Claudia Villemaire

The fifth annual Richmond antique auto festival gets off to a rousing start Saturday, August 15. "We'll be welcoming our first arrivals for the auto festival the next day, but we're officially opening the event with the popular group Wonder's Boy, the band that brings the antique autos era into focus with music from the '50s and '60s," said Martin Lafleur, chief organizer and head of CPIR, (Commission de promotion Industriel de Richmond).

Main Street in Richmond is the place to be Saturday evening and all day Sunday. The Festival, which in former years was held on the Ecole Plein Coeur play-

grounds where admission was charged, has been moved to the main street venue where admission is free. More than 200 restored antique autos and 'street rods' are expected to fill every nook and cranny of the town's commercial center. There'll be a climbing wall for the kiddies, hot dogs and all the trimmings for a reasonable price and a band called Toronto all afternoon Sunday.

"Our aim was to prove to local folks this is a town that's fun to call home. We've had some very successful events along the main street and we'll put the final touch on our summer program with the Fete de la Rentree on September 6th," Lafleur added.

The Festival, during its five-year history, has traditionally attracted over 200

exhibitors not only from the immediate vicinity but the colorful restored vehicles can be spotted on highways and byways early Sunday travelling from Quebec City, Montreal, St Hyacinthe, Sherbrooke, Granby and all points in between.

"We decided to organize the festival on Richmond's Main street mainly because of the new urban park we now have in the center of town where tables and chairs are set up and folks can be comfortable for the events going on around them. There are refreshments of all kinds, good music and a wide variety of colorful, carefully restored vehicles to admire. We think that adds up to the probability of another successful antique auto festival," Lafleur concluded.



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Local News

# Fire Casued by Electrical Malfunction

By Doug McCooeye

The cause of the massive fire that resulted in the complete destruction of a commercial and residential building in downtown Sherbrooke early Wednesday morning has been found.

In an interview with The Record on Thursday afternoon, Gaétan Drouin, the director of Sherbrooke's Fire Prevention Service cited electrical problems as the cause of the blaze that saw an estimated \$2.5 million in total damages.

"The fire seems to have originated from the basement of the building due to an electrical malfunction," said Drouin. "We cannot confirm at this time the exact location of the fire's origins, just that it started in the basement."

After the fire began at about 4:50 am on Wednesday and burned all

day, authorities made the decision to completely demolish the building located on King West.

The three-story building was home to the Roger Labonté and Alex Clusif stores, a small sewing shop, and a pizza restaurant, as well as 25 tenants who had apartments on the second and third floors of the building. It appears that nothing was recovered.

La Maison du Cinema, located next door to the massive blaze, will re-open its doors on Friday afternoon. The movie theatre only suffered some structural damage to its roof. The screening areas themselves were left untouched.

"There is some further investigating that is required," said Drouin. "This work is usually done by the insurance companies."

There is still no word on whether any foul-play was involved in the fire's origins.



MIKE MCDEVITT

The scene Wednesday morning as fire claimed the landmark building

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# Swim Sign-Up Online

By Doug McCooeye

Sherbrooke citizens will now be able to sign their children up online for the Fall 2009 session of swimming lessons. Marc Denault, municipal

councilor and President of the Sports and Recreation Committee for the City of Sherbrooke, happily presented this modern plan at Sherbrooke City Hall on Thursday. The online registration for aquatics is part of a four-step plan to modernize the sports and leisure activities that are organized by the city of Sherbrooke.

"This is one of the more interesting projects we have ever done," said Denault. "We are making subscriptions more accessible to more people in a more efficient way."

To be able to sign-up online, citizens must first obtain a Recreation Card from

the city before September 9th. They can get this card through an online process or go to the Léopold-Drolet Sports Centre during regular business hours. Once they have received the card, parents are only a few clicks away from signing their kids up for swimming lessons.

The program being used is LUDIK, a software program that is specifically designed to organize recreational activities. "This program has been used by other municipalities throughout Quebec and has been very successful," said Denault.

The online registration period runs from September 10th to the 14th. From 3 pm to 8 pm of that week, parents can sign up for the wide variety of aquatic activities available to children of all ages and swimming abilities. There are 800 spots available on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Denault gave a real-time demonstration of how quick and easy it was for people to sign up online. He signed up his youngest child for swimming lessons in a matter of minutes. "This project falls under the sustainable development initiative that we are trying to follow," said Denault. Indeed, people will now be able to

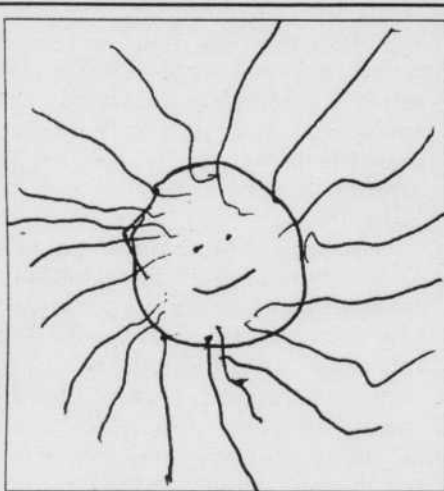
avoid long waits in line and a tremendous amount of paper will be saved with this new registration method.

For those who do not have access to the internet at home, The City of Sherbrooke has arranged to have internet access in the city and its boroughs throughout the subscription process. Various libraries (Éva-Senecal, Rock Forest, Lennoxville, Saint-Élie, and Gisèle-Bergeron) as well as an internet café (Julien-Ducharme Centre) will be available to the public during the registration period. People will also have the option of signing up in person.

Marc Mongeau, Lennoxville Borough Director who is helping out with the project, assured that this is an early step in a much larger project "Next Spring we plan on including online registration to day camps like the one in Lennoxville," he said.

"Eventually we will have many of the major sports organizations in the Sherbrooke area using online registration," added Denault.

Visit the City of Sherbrooke website at [www.sherbrooke.ca/loisir](http://www.sherbrooke.ca/loisir) for more information.



It's about time this guy got back in our lives with a smile on his face

## Weather

TODAY: SUNNY. HIGH OF 30. LOW OF 18.

SATURDAY: SUNNY. HIGH OF 29. LOW OF 18.

SUNDAY: PARTLY CLOUDY. HIGH OF 29. LOW OF 18.

MONDAY: PARTLY CLOUDY. HIGH OF 27. LOW OF 17.

## Ben by Daniel Shelton



BRIEFS

By Kelly McDevitt

**Cinema to Resume Business**

Sherbrooke's Maison du Cinema will re-open for business today at noon, only two days after having to shut down following a Wednesday morning fire that destroyed the adjacent building.

A sign outside the theatre Thursday indicated the theatre intends to re-open in time for the new releases beginning this weekend.

Although firefighters were concerned about the cinema's security during the fire, preventative measures by firefighters were able to save the structure and only minimal damage to the roof and part of the box office area were reported. None of the screening rooms was affected and clean-up crews have been eradicating smoke and water damage since Wednesday.

**Roadwork**

The ministère des Transports du Québec is announcing that installation work for guardrails along the bridge on chemin Southière, in Magog, over Castle brook will take place between Monday, August 17 and Friday, August 21. The work will require the closure of one of the two lanes in each direction between 7:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.. Signal lights will direct traffic alternately via the available lane. Speed reductions to 70km/h will be in place for the duration.

**Boutin to run in Fleurimont**

Renouveau Sherbrookoïis is announcing another candidate for the upcoming municipal elections. Party leader Bernard Sévigny announced Thursday that Vincent Boutin will run for the party in the district of Quatre-Saisons in Fleurimont. Boutin, an employee of brasserie Fleurimont, is also a volunteer for the Novice-O-Rama hockey tournament, the Festival des traditions du monde and has worked in communications as a volunteer for Réseau VOX and community radio station CFLX. In a press release, the 24-year-old said, "It is an honour to join the ranks of Renouveau Sherbrookoïis, in associating myself with this political movement, I also want to associate the aspirations of an entire generation."

Boutin is the tenth candidate to announce his candidacy for the party.

By Corrinna Pole  
SHERBROOKE

Laugh it up on Aug 24

Everyone knows that laughter feels good, but its effects on the body are even better. Studies have proven that laughter decreases pain and stress, relaxes muscles, lowers blood pressure and strengthens antibodies. All body systems, including respiratory, circulatory, blood and cardiac, are affected positively by laughter, which is known as an aerobic exercise for your diaphragm.

If you're feeling stressed, rundown and listless then it's high time to get laughing and North Hatley's Piggery Theatre is the perfect venue to improve your health when outstanding comics Mike MacDonald, Will Davis and Phil Hanley provide generous doses of comedy on Monday August 24.

Fast, funny and award-winning comedian Mike MacDonald has dominated stages all over North America and has made several TV appearances including The Late Show with David Letterman, The Arsenio Hall Show, Just For Laughs, three comedy specials and starred in the CBC sitcom "Mosquito Lake."

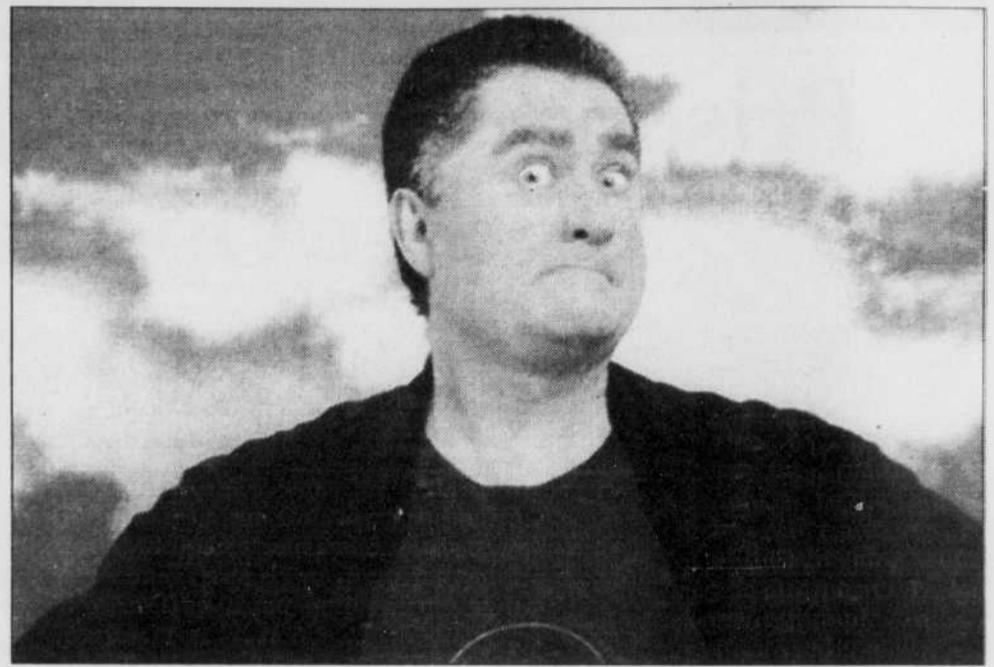
The veteran funny man has hosted the Gemini Awards and Just For Laughs 10th Anniversary Special and holds the distinction of being the only comedian to perform at each and every Just For Laughs gala show.

"Stay-at-home son" Phil Hanley has made his mark from coast to coast with performances at the Halifax Comedy Festival and the Vancouver Comedy Festival. Winner of Vancouver's Funniest Comic Competition, he will perform at this year's Just For Laughs Festival in Montreal and continues to make appearances on TV comedy shows.

In addition to performing, Hanley has appeared in many advertising campaigns for Nissan, Pontiac, Fred Perry and Levi's. He is also a credited screenwriter and script doctor and recently worked with the great Don Knotts on a film project.

Fresh from organizing a cross-Canada tour with Carol Burnett, bilingual Will Davis has been featured at the Just For Laughs Comedy Festival and at comedy clubs and corporate events across the country.

Davis, who is a Townshippier, was the star of the mockumentary series Destination Funny, with Brent Butt, and created, co-wrote, produced and starred in the one-hour TV special, Comedy



COURTESY THE PIGGERY

Mike MacDonald

**Night in Canada.**

Organized by Marcella Davis Gerrish and David Hopps, who previously joined forces for the Changing Gears fundraiser that collected bicycles for local children, Comedy Night is aimed at helping local children play hockey.

"When we were at the end of (Changing Gears) we started thinking of what else we could do and coming from a large family of eight kids we thought why not sponsor some kids to play hockey," said Gerrish. "It's a lot of money for kids to play and the thought of a kid who wants to play and can't is just hard for me."

According to Gerrish, the money collected will be used for any Townships child who wants to play the sport this fall.

"We're hoping some people will come forward and let us know of someone we can help or that someone will come forward themselves if they can't afford to get their kids playing," she said. "The money will be used for registration or equipment, if they just need help with one or both we will try to provide it. Whatever the need is to anyone in the area."

Garrish enlisted the help of her well connected Vancouver based brother who owns a production company to arrange the Comedy Night.

"My brother brought MacDonald down before and I joked about him get-

ting him down for me and he said he'd call me back. It's an easy cause to get them onboard with," she explained. "We knew we wanted to do this and it was either going to be comedy or music. With music it's hard to (appeal) to everyone but everybody likes to laugh."

While you're getting your funny bone tickled, you may also luck out and win some great "surprise" hockey and sports related items. Those who can't make the Comedy Night but would like to make a donation can call Gerrish or Hopps at the numbers below.

In the 1950's the average person used to laugh for about 20 minutes every day. Now the average person only laughs for about six minutes in a day. So catch up on some much needed exercise and get your \$20 ticket for Comedy Night on Monday, August 24 starting at 8 p.m. at The Piggery Theatre (215 Chemin Simard in North Hatley).

Presale tickets are going fast but you can still get yours through the theatre 819-842-2431, Lennoxville's Tri-Us 819-822-2632, North Hatley's LeBaron's Store 819-842-2487, or by calling Gerrish at 819-563-7273 or Hopps at 819-868-3396.

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## National News

# Prisoner Demands Free Sex-Change Operation



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By Keith Fraser  
CANWESTNEWS SERVICE

VANCOUVER- A female inmate serving time in a B.C. men's prison is demanding Corrections Canada approve her sex-change operation - and pay for it.

In an application filed in the Federal Court of Canada, Katherine Anne Johnson, 61, said the operation to remove her penis - a "penectomy" - has been unreasonably delayed by Correctional Service of Canada.

Johnson also demanded to be transferred to a women's prison to keep her safe from attacks from other inmates.

In the court documents, Johnson is referred to as a woman. Reports from authorities defending the decision to keep Johnson in a men's prison refer to her as "Ms. Johnson."

Johnson, who has a lengthy criminal record and is serving a life sentence for beating her roommate to death, said the surgical delay dates back to her transfer from a women's unit at the provincial Surrey Pre-Trial Services Centre to a men's federal prison in November 2007.

She said she was born with a female mind but the body of a male, and has always identified as a female. Johnson had her testicles removed in 1979 and has tried to remove her penis six times. In 1983, she cut it with a razor blade, but it was reattached while she was unconscious from blood loss. She suffered nerve damage from the incident and cannot achieve an erection - and said it's been "my lifelong wish" to have gender-reassignment surgery.

Johnson said she stays locked in her cell most of the day, regularly misses

meals, does not shower and has suicidal thoughts.

"My only hope is that I will be given a penectomy and will be transferred to the women's prison. I feel I might only have a couple more years to live and I did not want to live the last years of my life in a male prison," she wrote.

Johnson's affidavit refers to a number of threats and assaults, including an incident in which another inmate called her a "f-king drag queen" and punched her in the head.

In another incident, a male prisoner held a knife to her throat in a wash-room, but she managed to escape. A third incident saw two inmates come into her cell, throw her to the ground and demand oral sex. In a fourth incident, a prisoner sliced her chest with the edge of an opened can of salmon.

"I have been forced to go along with having sex with men in prison for protection to avoid being killed or raped by other men. I am terrified of being around men," she said.

A report by corrections officials said the allegations are being investigated by police. Documents from prison authorities said she should remain for now in the men's prison because she still has a penis - having it removed would qualify her for a transfer. They also note there's no deadline set for a decision on the operation.

A corrections official declined to comment while the case is in court.

An April 2008 assessment by psychiatrists Dr. Oliver Robinow and Dr. Gail Knudson, experts in gender-identity disorder, ruled the surgery is an essential medical service.

In October 2007, Johnson pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the slaying of her roommate, Horace Stevens, 56, in their Vancouver apartment. She used a baseball bat to beat him to death after a domestic dispute.

Vancouver Province

## BRIEFS

## Que. Man Gets Wish: A Night In Jail

(CNS) GATINEAU, Que. - A 20-year-old Gatineau man successfully broke himself into jail Tuesday night when he wouldn't take no for an answer.

Gatineau police said the man demanded to spend the night in jail after arriving at the Hull police station shortly after 10 p.m.

He told police he had been kicked out of his home and had no place else to stay.

He refused to take advantage of resources offered to him, police said, insisting on a cell. Despite the strangeness of his request he appeared to be rational and lucid, they said.

The man left the station around 11 p.m. Police said he then began to hurl rocks at the police station, breaking windows.

The man was arrested and charged with mischief, breach of undertaking and breach of probation.

Ottawa Citizen

## Que. Hospital Reports C. Difficile Outbreak

(CNS) SOREL, Que. - A Quebec hospital reported a C. difficile outbreak Wednesday and was treating 11 people who had contracted the infection.

Another four people hospitalized at the Hotel-Dieu Hospital in Sorel, about 80 kilometres east of Montreal, have died since June, but officials were not yet able to confirm whether they had C. difficile. The deceased patients had other underlying health conditions at the time.

A hospital spokesperson said the number of cases has been stable for the last 10 days and preventive measures were taken to avoid a spread of the infection at the hospital.

C. difficile, one of the most common infections found in hospitals and long-term care facilities, causes diarrhea, fever, loss of appetite, nausea and abdominal pain or tenderness.

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Columnist

# A Hundred Bucks? WHAT?!



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It's getting harder and harder to find a cheap piece of fabric these days



Jonathan Lahue

It's ridiculous these days how expensive a piece of fabric can be. Mind you, a tampered with, stitched up, and pretty attractive piece of fabric, but still, fabric all the same. Clothes. Quite frankly, all those

high price-tags make the concept of sewing up one's own apparel quite appealing, but in a world where everything else is sold cheap, what makes that piece of cotton so special?

I distinctly remember when I could get a nice hoody for around twenty dollars. Only just a few years ago, I can remember being able to go into a store, pick out what I thought was the nicest, and not have to expect a nasty bill in the end. I didn't have to worry about things like brands, or collections, I only had to worry about me and what I want. Then things started to change.

Converse shoes: 65\$; Point Zero hoody: 100\$; not worrying about brands...Priceless. For everything else, there's Mastercard, which

given the exorbitant pricing, could very well be maxed out by mid-day. Yeah, a hundred bucks for one hoody, for one practically worthless piece of fabric. No wonder the economy is down the tubes.

Generally speaking this phenomenon should make sense. I've grown, so my clothes take more fabric to make, and are thus more expensive. Judging by the fact that an XXL and a Medium are the same price, the fabric must be exceptionally cheap. It's a shame too; bigger clothes being more expensive would seriously hinder the progress of obesity, along with making common sense. So what are we paying for? With most of our clothing made in China, labour is out, and the only thing remaining is the brand.

So what is it that makes a given brand so much more special than another? Well, to be honest, nothing. Yes, styles and quality do tend to vary a bit from brand to brand, but generally speaking, they all have their own per-

sonal ugly ducklings. A trained eye will catch this easily, but there's a huge number of people who only buy something because everyone else has it or, because they think everyone else has it.

I'm not trying to bash big brands. On occasion, I might see something really nice from them, but then have to back down because it's too expensive. But the thing is, I see just as many, no, more, when the price is actually reasonable (and no, I don't look at the price tag first). I believe that new designers work harder to make a name for themselves, whereas established ones have a tendency to lose a bit of their creativity over time. Thus, if you're not too picky about who made them, you can dress to the

sevens (cool, ultra laid back version of "the nines" that people my age wear) without going hungry.

Cheaper stores will invariably have a bit more junk, after all, it is the melting pot where all clothes start, but for the avid shopper, trendsetter, or average guy who wants to go to Spain, it's well worth it. It's great for me, and anyone else who's willing to do a little bit of digging to get to the good stuff. This may seem a daunting task, but not one that should be ignored. It's about expressing yourself in what you wear, it's individuality, it's ultimately feeling good with what you bought, and in the end saying "yeah, this was definitely worth buying!"

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# Remember when?



It would be rare in these strange times to find a kid who even knows how to do laundry let alone find them actually doing it. And this sight, kids doing laundry the old fashioned way, is even more bizarre. If you have any information on this photo, please let us know at [newsroom@sherbrookerecord.com](mailto:newsroom@sherbrookerecord.com) or by calling 819-569-6345

EDITORIAL

## Pulling the Trigger

A recent Quebec survey has raised a few eyebrows and may set the stage for an intense and complicated public debate.

A poll conducted by Angus Reid and La Presse reveals that almost four out of five Quebecers express support for the idea of legalizing euthanasia, what was once referred to as "mercy killing."

Not only did the survey reveal overwhelming support for the concept, that support was consistent through all age and social categories. We REALLY believe in euthanasia.

Needless to say, any discussion about the legalization of a practice that is surreptitiously common in any event will bring to the fore a wide array of issues, concerns and problems that our politicians will ultimately have to address.

The argument in favour of legalizing euthanasia comes from those concerned about an individual's right to decide, within the limits of possibility, how and when they will shuffle off their mortal coil. Should we be allowed, for example, to demand that once a certain level of physical or mental deterioration has occurred, all treatments be stopped? Should we be allowed to go further and demand that we be "put out of our misery?" Who should have the final say - the individual? the family? the doctor? or any combination of the above? What is the difference between allowing someone to die (pulling the plug) and causing someone to die (pulling the trigger)?

An issue such as this one is almost a no-win scenario for lawmakers, so we shouldn't be expecting a major decision any time soon, but that is not a bad thing. It could easily turn out to be one of those morally ambiguous problems with no easy, one-size-fits-all solution. We may have another abortion issue on our hands.

The argument of an individual's right to control one's own destiny versus the "sanctity of life" viewpoint is only the most obvious of many possible areas of contention. If euthanasia were to be legalized, for example, would it be covered by public health insurance? Would medical personnel be obligated to participate regardless of the personal beliefs? Could "living wills" be challenged and by whom?

Perhaps most importantly, and most difficult to answer, is the question of whether the legalization of euthanasia would put unbearable pressure on the incurably or chronically ill to agree to be "put down" because of the "I don't want to be a burden" factor?

Researchers have already identified several areas of concern. One is that while the decision to "not want to suffer" is almost always made in the abstract, attitudes tend to change once a concrete situation arises. Families reject the responsibility and patients tend to want to hang on. Moreover, the question of mental state when the decision is made clearly needs to be examined. Chronic illness can cause depression, which in turn increases suicidal thoughts. How could we ever be sure we were acting on someone's true desires?

Finally, and inevitably, someone will do the math and come up with an economic element in the debate and wonder how much public money should be spent on prolonging lives that are substantially over. We could be in for a rough one.

-MIKE McDEVITT

LETTERS

### Think of the Children

We as Canadians are fortunate enough to enjoy a hassle-free, worry-free health care system, it's time to renew our commitment to fund immunizations to poor countries.

In May, CIDA has announced the well-being of children and youths as the new focus for Canadian's foreign aid policy. Yet the Canadian International Immunization Initiative (CIII - a homegrown Canadian program since 1988, with proven success in reducing child mortality caused by measles, polio and tetanus) is in its final phase and will soon expire at year's end.

During times of global recession and global food shortage, international aid is often sacrificed, thus children are most vulnerable and at risk when confronted with infectious diseases. Innocent children do not deserve to suffer preventable diseases and be deprived of vaccines that cost only 36 cents per dose.

If Canada is committed to providing global leadership in foreign aid, then the survival of children in the world's poorest countries must be considered. CIDA's renewal on CIII is the solution. Why wait any longer?

WENDY K.S. TUNG  
SCARBOROUGH, ONTARIO

FYI in the story "Coderre Ready for Fall Election" there are a number of quotes from Louis Bérubé and others saying that Michael Ignatieff did not say he was going to shut down the asbestos industry. While he never used those words in the Le Devoir story from May, Mr. Ignatieff did say Canada should get out of the asbestos industry while he was in Edmonton on June 30, 2009. Here are Mr. Ignatieff's exact words: "Canada has to be out of the asbestos business. We should not export it and we should not produce it".

He is very clear and concise that he will kill the industry and I think your readers should know the truth about what Mr. Ignatieff has said on the subject of asbestos.

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# Public Pensions vs. the Vengeance of Greed

By Michael van Lierop

**B**y 2030, over 25% of the Canadian population will be over the age of 65. There will be more people retired than working. The number of workers needed to pay taxes to support social programs and public retirement entitlements will be insufficient. The end result will mean a reduction of the amount of these entitlements or a reduction in the amount of people receiving them, or both. In short, the status quo is untenable.

Perhaps surprisingly, the sky is not falling! While there is plenty of reason to be concerned - very concerned - about the demographic shifts that are happening as we speak, and the financial and fiscal impacts this will have on those who must continue to support the system (all the while hoping that when they retire, there will be some scraps left for them to chew on), the end is not near. To the contrary, over the years Canada's public pensions have proven to be remarkably resilient to upheaval and to addressing long-term needs. The CPP (Canada Pension Plan), Ontario Teacher's Pension Plan, and even the infamous Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec, despite its recent turmoil, have all fared quite well. While in 2008 alone the Caisse lost a whopping 25% of its entire assets, dropping to \$120 billion from \$160 billion, and more recently, during the first half of 2009 it has seen its assets drop another \$5.7 billion, due mostly to write downs in real estate. Still, it's one of the most durable and resilient public plans anywhere in the world.

On a more positive note, just this week the Canada Pension Plan announced a significant rebound in growth. Given that some 17 million Canadians contribute to and expect to receive something from the Canada Pension Plan, this return to positive growth is good news. A solid \$11 billion has been added to the plan since January, a not unremarkable 7% gain. Why this has not been the case in Quebec with the Caisse is a story for another column - or columnist!

Those who are retired now face a more pressing concern than, say, the workers of today who one way or another (be it with or without the government) can find a way to improve the system or find an individual savings plan that suits their retirement goals. With investment portfolios battered, and despite a 27% rebound in the markets in Canada since January, overall assets in Canadian investments have declined substantially year

over year. The result? Less money to withdraw now, or a shorter withdrawal period than originally forecast. The solution? Manage with less, or go back to work. As shocking a notion as that might be for many retirees, more and more people are re-entering the workforce, even if just part-time. Before the market collapse of 2008, the golden-agers were known for returning to the work place out of boredom; today, it's out of necessity. Freedom 55, if it ever existed, has become Freedom 75.

Public pensions, unlike the private plans, have the advantage of their ability to raise more capital (through increased employee and employer contributions, as was legislated by the federal government in the late 1990s to bolster the CPP) and of pooling ever greater resources. One person has little to no chance to recuperate a last-minute pre-retirement drop in investment value, without contributing again or taking unprecedented risk to regain lost ground.

Why such a mess? In large part you can lay the blame on the money placed in "Asset-backed Commercial Paper" - a fancy term for the re-packaging of high-risk American mortgage debt, turned into paper investments, and re-sold internationally. In essence, those assets that were supposed to be behind the investments were as wobbly as a house on stilts - the foundation quickly crumbled once housing prices began to fall. Arguably, the entire financial meltdown in the US came about in large part due to the faulty belief that housing prices in the US would never fall. Why so many intelligent, seasoned and well educated people - and well established, reputable banks - managed to believe such a ridiculous notion is beyond comprehension. If common sense was common at all, at any instance, in any place, it certainly became uncommon - or perversely out of fashion - during the prelude to this crisis.

How has Canada fared in all of this? Aside from turmoil on the financial markets which has affected Canadian pensions and personal investment portfolios, we have survived remarkably

well. The banking sector in Canada is recognized the world-over as one of the most stable, secure and profitable. This crisis has proven that some of the staid Bay Street bankers have prevented, with their more conservative tendencies, the wild and spectacular failures south of the border. Cowboy risk-taking, as a financial philosophy, has seen its day (for now). It will return, it always does. And that is not entirely a bad thing.

This is not to say the worst is behind us. A good many experts (many of whom were categorically ignored last time around) still proclaim the system is frail and no manner or size of bail-out or financial stimulus will make a difference. These doomsayers are not very popular but there is reason for concern. The second wave of financial chaos has been less visible but it's there, and it's in the form of loans and investments in commercial real estate (as opposed to the subprime mortgage mess that was focused on residential real estate) which are crumbling due to the recession, leaving countless malls, shopping centres and commercial buildings vacant. These properties have either lost some or all of their value. In addition, a good batch (some estimate more than a million) residential subprime mortgages are still waiting to re-set, which is to say, switch from their original and artificially low interest rate to the updated and much higher interest rate. The end result?


Even more defaults.

How this will all transpire depends on many factors. The bottom line for most investors in Canada is that public pensions have strained under these circumstances but will survive, and private portfolios have diminished in value but will rebound. The timeline may be tight for soon-to-be-retired individuals, as their horizon to recuperate these losses is short; the timeline for already-retired individuals is irrelevant - recuperating may require reinvesting, and in safer choices, if it's even possible. For the remaining public who continue to work, the viability of private and public plans will depend on a good mix of luck, time, and some shrewd decisions. Let us hope some lessons have been learned.

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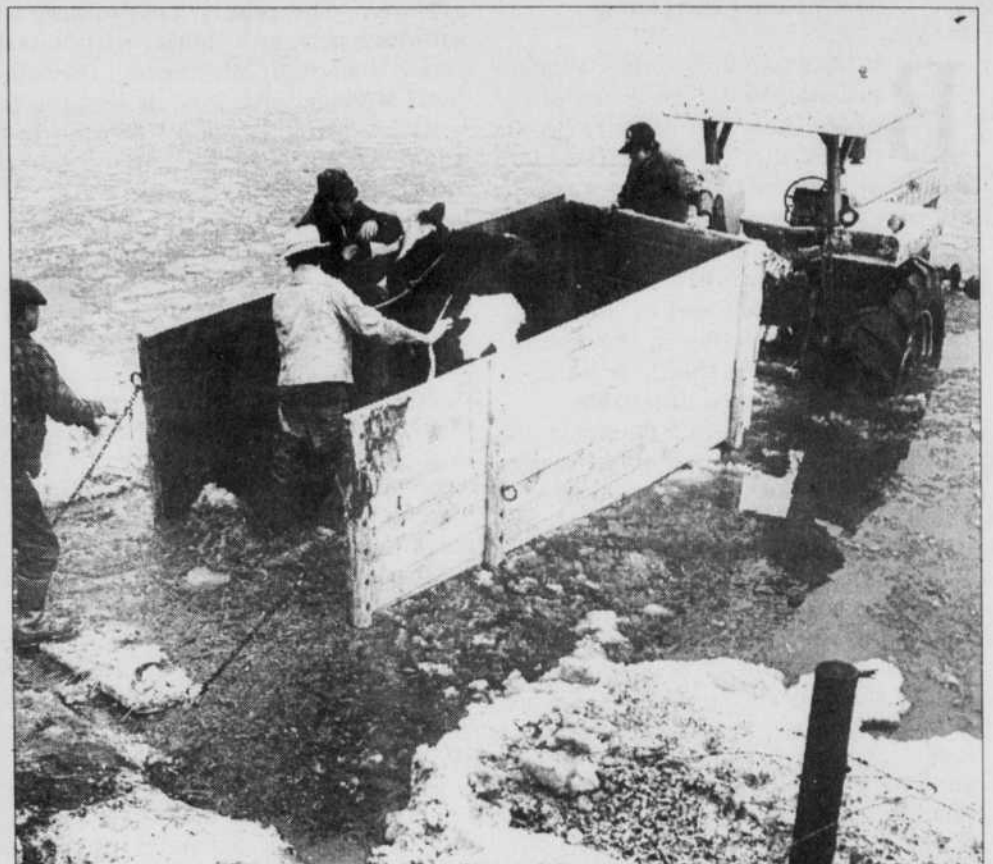
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Remember When Recap



AUGUST 11

(L to R) Douglas Leonard (East Angus), Wynne Dixon (Melbourne) and Douglas Smith (Cowansville) all past presidents of the Wales Home. Angus McElrea - Lennoxville Luoise Hall - Farnham



AUGUST 5

The Remember When? from August 5 is of the only cow to survive the 1982 flood at Beaulieu's Farm in Lennoxville. I think I took the picture. - Claudia Villemaire

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# RECORD Sports

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## This Week Around Sports

By Zachary-Cy Vanasse

Patrick Kane attacked a cabbie, the Yankees swept the Red Sox and the Rogers Cup opened in Montreal, which means it is once again time to take a look at This Week Around Sports. Balsillie is back, Fleury's trying to comeback and Alex

Rios is no longer a Jay so for the week

ending Friday, August 14.

2009, this is the week that TWAS.

**The Big Money Deal:** Chicago Blackhawks star, 20-year-old Patrick Kane, and his 21-year old cousin, allegedly assaulted a Buffalo cab driver after the cabbie was unable to give them 20 cents in change. Kane was arrested following the incident, though since then the cabbie's lawyer has said that the ordeal was overblown, and that something could be worked out between the two parties.

**The Sweep:** The New York Yankees, who had lost all eight games they'd played against their rival Boston Red Sox this season going into the series, swept the weekend four-game series between the two teams battling for the top spot in the American League East. While the Yankees beat up on now former Red Sox starter John Smoltz in the series opener, game two saw the teams go 14 scoreless innings before Alex Rodriguez hit a two-run home run in the fifteenth inning. At one point in the series the Red Sox had failed to score a

single run in 30 consecutive innings. The series sweep gave the Yankees a 6.5 game lead over the Red Sox at its conclusion.

**The Big Match:** Sherbrooke's Frédéric Niemeyer was defeated by world No.1 Roger Federer during round two action at the Rogers Cup at Stade Uniprix in Montreal on Tuesday night. Though Niemeyer lost, the crowd gave the Sherbrooke-native a standing ovation in what could very well be his final match as a pro.

**The Phoenix:** Apparently rising from the ashes of his once dead bid to move the Phoenix Coyotes to southern Ontario, Jim Balsillie was back in the mix this past week when Judge Redfield T. Baum said Balsillie would be allowed to submit a bid in bankruptcy court to purchase the team.

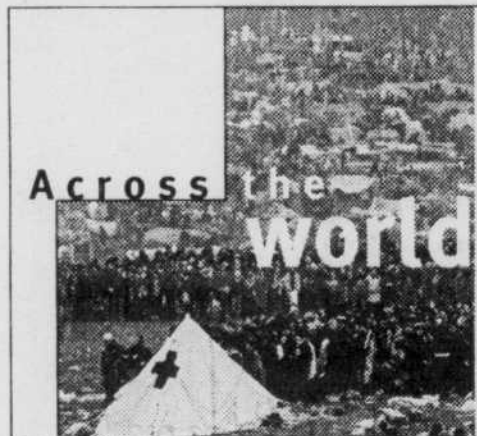
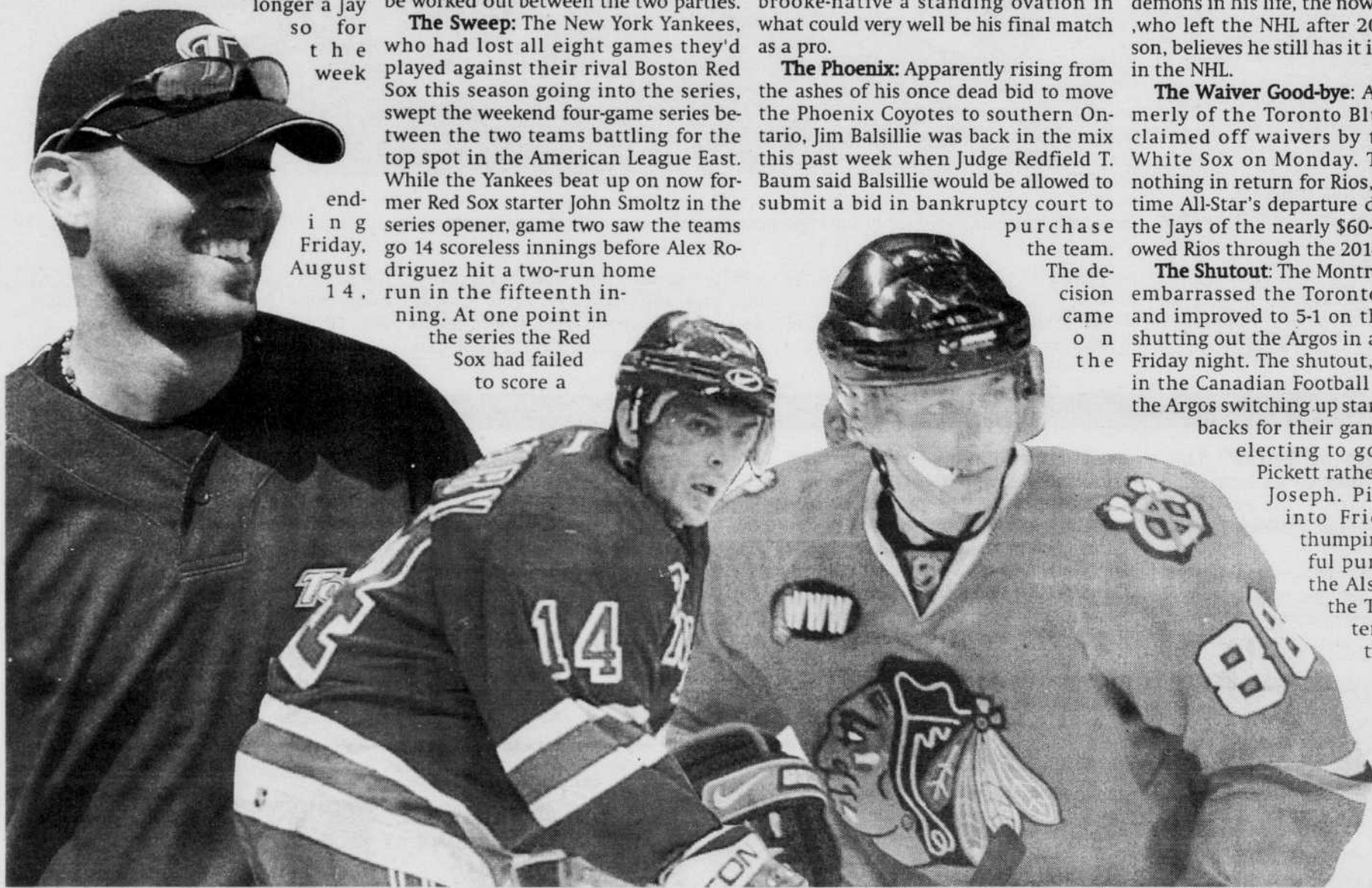
The decision came on the

heels of the NHL's board of governors voting against allowing Balsillie becoming an NHL owner.

**The Little Return:** The NHL's all-heart, oft-troubled former star, Theo Fleury, is attempting to make a comeback. The now 41-year-old Fleury is hoping to get himself back into game form for the start of the coming NHL season. Despite having battled several personal demons in his life, the now sober Fleury, who left the NHL after 2002-2003 season, believes he still has it in him to play in the NHL.

**The Waiver Good-bye:** Alex Rios, formerly of the Toronto Blue Jays, was claimed off waivers by the Chicago White Sox on Monday. The Jays got nothing in return for Rios, but the two-time All-Star's departure does alleviate the Jays of the nearly \$60-million they owed Rios through the 2014 season.

**The Shutout:** The Montreal Alouettes embarrassed the Toronto Argonauts and improved to 5-1 on the season by shutting out the Argos in a 25-0 win on Friday night. The shutout, no easy feat in the Canadian Football League, had the Argos switching up starting quarterbacks for their game this week, electing to go with Cody Pickett rather than Kerry Joseph. Pickett came into Friday night's thumping for merciful purposes, after the Als had sacked the Toronto quarterbacks seven times.



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# Tremblay, Cloutier Re-Sign With Saints

By Zachary-Cy Vanasse

**Y**annick Tremblay and Chris Cloutier represent the latest Sherbrooke Saint-Francois signings as team management continues to assemble the on-ice squad for the coming LNAH season.

Tremblay will be returning for his eighth season with the Sherbrooke franchise, the 32-year-old's second as the Saints captain. The Alma, Quebec native has always been considered a Sherbrooke hockey product, having played the game in the area since childhood with Rock Forest minor hockey teams and having spent three seasons with the now defunct Sherbrooke Faucons of the QMJHL.

"Being a Sherbrooke-boy, the Saints have a big place in my heart," said the captain adding, "I'd like to finish my career here. I don't know how much time I have left as a player, but I'm taking it one season at a time."

Tremblay has amassed 442 points over his LHSPQ/LNAH career, with 186 goals. He now sits just 58 points shy of career 500 points, a mark he's happy to be aiming for with Sherbrooke.

Cloutier joined the club at the beginning of 2009, coming over from the Saint-Georges CRS Express as one of the Sherbrooke fan base's most detested players. He quickly won over the home crowd though and became a fan favorite in no time. The fans will be glad to have



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Chris Cloutier is just one of many Saints players opting to re-sign with the sherbrooke team

him back and he says he is glad to be back.

"I'm really happy to be coming back to Sherbrooke," he said. "I wasn't sure

when I was dealt here that they'd accept me, especially since I'd been playing against Sherbrooke with others teams for the past five years. But the guys took

me in and made me feel welcome, especially guys like Bidas (Simon Robidas) who I'd fought many times on the ice."

## HUNTINGVILLE CO-ED SOFTBALL LEAGUE

### Huntingville Softball Season Comes to a Close

By Zachary-Cy Vanasse

**T**he Huntingville Co-Ed Softball League wrapped up its regular season on Monday night with league playoffs beginning in

exciting fashion on Tuesday at the Huntingville ballpark.

The Poison Eaters topped the league standings at the conclusion of the 18-game regular season schedule, finishing with a league best 15-3 record. Confort DB's 14-4 record saw them finish a game back of the Poison Eaters, good for second, while Les Bats

Fringants and the Ball Hogs had identical 13-5 records, though Les Bats Fringants finished in third place and the Ball Hogs in fourth based on the head-to-head run-differential.

An 11-7 record saw the Roadrunners finish fifth, the Wild Bunch's 8-10 record put them in sixth, the Buds were seventh with a 7-11 record, the

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## Richmond Young Women's Institute

The Richmond Young Women's Institute met on August 3, 2009 at the home Norma Morin. Members had been invited to come at 5:30 for a BBQ which was cooked by Norma's son Corey and her brothers-in law Raymond Lancaster and Jerry McGee.

Following the BBQ, members went inside for the monthly meeting. The Mary Stewart Collect was repeated. Motto on the Month was "Food is our common ground, an unusual experience" and the roll call. "Tell two favourite foods harvested in the fall" was answered by 12 members.

Marg Lancaster and Norma Morin attended the 75th Anniversary of Richmond Hill Women's institute. It was a very enjoyable afternoon and there were 69 in attendance.

It was decided that the annual outing would be planned for the Magog area and a visit to the Rose Champs would be scheduled for August 24.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by Rhoda Blake Hudson.

Mona McGee gave the treasurers report and bills were presented. It was moved and seconded that these bills be paid.

Correspondence consisted of QWI newsletter which was distributed to all members. A Newsletter for the QWI convention was also received and members

were asked to read it and pass it on.

A few safety issues were discussed concerning our QWI Fair Entry proposal for 2010. Get-well Cards were signed by members and will be sent. Flowers will also be sent to one of our own members who is not feeling well. Cards will also be sent to two other people who are members of our county institute groups.

Convenor reports were read.

Under new business members were given assignments for the Richmond Fair BBQ August 8 and the St. Pat's Supper August 29. Marge Lancaster was given a cheque to buy prizes for the Richmond Fair and trophies for the plowing match.

Members hope Connie will soon be feeling better and the next meeting will be held at Debbie Knowles-Johnston's instead of at her home on August 31 instead of September 7. As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned. Monies were collected and Marge Lancaster won the floating prize which had been brought by Pat Henderson.

Members then enjoyed a delicious dessert of Strawberries and ice cream.

Debra Knowles-Johnston,  
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## Obituary



### Malcolm (Mac) Matheson Macdonald

January 18, 1922  
- July 20, 2009



### Macdonald, Malcolm (Mac) Matheson -

Passed away at age 87, July 20, 2009 peacefully at home with his family at his side. Mac is survived by his loving wife of 66 years Isobel of Hilltop House, his caring daughters Carolyn Macdonald (Brian Johnson) of Pittsburg, Marion Biln (Singh) of Squamish, younger sister Marjorie Murray of Montreal and Grigg Vollrath of Edmonton. He will be missed by his 6 wonderful grandchildren: Christy & Bradley Vollrath, Devin, Ryan & Brandon Biln and Kelsey Baines; and by 4 great-grand-children: Bradley Vollrath, Jack & Kate Vollrath, and Hayley Baines; as well as his 2 poodles, Robbie & Willie. Predeceased by his parents Donald Alexander (Alec Dell) Macdonald & Katherine Murray; his siblings: Mamie, Cashie, Dorothy, Margaret, Anna, Roddy and Murdo; and mother-in-law Blanche Kinsey who was like a mother to Mac.

Mac was born in the Eastern Townships of Quebec and grew up in Scotstown. He enlisted in 7<sup>th</sup>/11th Hussars Militia Regiment in 1942 and served as corporal overseas with the HQ 5<sup>th</sup> Armoured Brigade during WWII. He married Isobel Hunter in 1943 while on leave and after leaving the army in 1946, Mac began working in the plywood industry for Weyerhaeuser. His work took him to various mill towns in Ontario including Mattawa, Parry Sound and Innerkip until he transferred to BC in 1971. In 1981, Mac built his house on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Squamish and retired from his position as Manager Quality Control with Weldwood.

Mac was active in the community wherever he lived and had been member of various PTA's, United Churches, Legions and Masonic Halls. He was Assistant Deputy Grand Master of Nippissing East District Lodge of Ontario, and also member of the Lingwick Lodge No. 79 of Quebec and Ancient Light Lodge 88 of Ladner. He recently received his 50-year service pin at the Mount Garibaldi Lodge No. 127. Mac not only served his community but was a great mentor to his family and friends. He was an inspiration to his grand-children and spent countless hours looking after them, driving them to places, teaching them carpentry or building them toys. He was an avid woodworker and his furniture is still used by many relatives and friends. He loved playing cards, reading incessantly and always enjoyed a glass of Glenlivet with his grandsons.

The family is indebted to Dr. Judith Fothergill, and the professional staff at SGH and community nursing, including Pam Lang and the home care nurses. As per Mac's wishes, there will be a cremation at the Squamish Funeral Home and burial of the ashes in Dell Cemetery Quebec late in August. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Palliative Care program through the Squamish Health Care Foundation Society. To sign book of condolences, please click on [squamishfuneralchapel.com](http://squamishfuneralchapel.com)



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**Deaths**

**ELLS, Marilyn Joan** - With sadness we announce the passing of our cherished sister at Le Domaine de la Sapiniere, East Angus, QC on Tuesday August 11, 2009 at the age of 54 years. Marilyn Joan Ells was the daughter of the late George Ells and the late R. Elizabeth Beard. She was the beloved sister of Karen (E. Hube Start), the late Barbara, Rosemary (Ray Walker), Nancy (Robert Bedard) and Doris (Darcy Eryou). Sister-in-law of Osborne Lowe, aunt of John and the late Melissa Lowe, René and Brianne Bedard, Philip (Lisa), and Sabrina-Kate Eryou. Great aunt to Chanelle and Lacey Eryou and former care giver Muriel Lace. The family would like to extend a special thank-you to the staff of Le Domaine de la Sapiniere for the outstanding and compassionate care given to Marilyn. Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 554 Main St., Bury (819) 564-1750 / www.casshomes.ca where friends may visit on Saturday August 22nd, 2009 from 10:30 to 11:00AM followed by the funeral service at 11:00AM with the Rev. Wendy Evans officiating. Interment in the Brookbury United Cemetery, Brookbury, QC

**HARAM, Ronald Ernest** - Peacefully at H.J. McFarland Memorial Home, on Wednesday, August 12th, 2009. Ronald Ernest Haram, formerly of Wellington-on-the-Lake, Pointe Claire and Rosemont, QC, at the age of 88. Beloved husband of Alice, dear brother of Gordon and his companion Bernice of Burlington, ON. Much loved uncle to Wendy and Joy Haram and their families. A memorial service will be held at H.J. McFarland Memorial Home, 603 Hwy #49 on Wednesday, August 19th at 2 p.m. Reverend Audrey Whitney officiating. If desired, donations to the Prince Edward County Memorial Hospital Foundation, P.E. Youth Park or H.J. McFarland Memorial Home Resident's Fund would be appreciated by the family and can be paid by Visa, MasterCard or debit at the funeral home. On-line donation and condolence at www.whattamfuneralhome.com. Arrangements entrusted to the Whattam Funeral Home, 33 Main Street, Picton, ON. www.hattamfuneralhome.com

**Deaths**

**LUNDERVILLE, Cynthia (Baker)** - Peacefully at True Davidson Acres Residence in Toronto, Ontario on August 4, 2009, in her 93rd year.

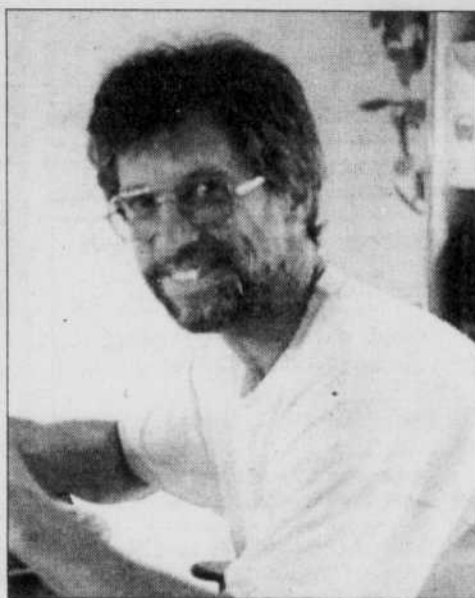
**McGEE, Mildred Agnes** - Peacefully at the Huntingdon County Hospital on August 12, 2009, six days before her 98th birthday, passed away Mildred Agnes McGee. Beloved wife of the late Clifford McGee. She was predeceased by her daughter Theresa. She leaves to mourn her children Robert and Linda. Visitation will be held at Rodrigue Montpetit & Fils Inc., 170 Chateauguay Street, Huntingdon, on Saturday, August 15, 2009 from 9:30 a.m., followed by the funeral service at the Huntingdon St-Joseph Church at 11 a.m. Burial at St-Joseph Cemetery. Donations can be made to the Huntingdon County Hospital.

**Notice of Interment**



**HIGGS** - The family of Charles and Ruth Higgs would like to invite you to accompany them to the interment in St. Anne's Cemetery in Richmond, QC at 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 15, 2009. Rev. Martin Sadler officiating.

**Death**



**MULLARKEY, Mark** (1961-2009) - Suddenly on Thursday August 13th, 2009, at the age of 48, passed away Mark Mullarkey. He was the son of the late Brendon Mullarkey and Claudette Massé. He leaves to mourn the mother of his children Natalie Legault, his children, Justin, Gregory and Catherine, his sisters, Rachel (Jean-Luc) and Carole (Daniel), his nephews and nieces, uncle and aunts, cousins, other relatives and friends. Family and friends will be welcomed at the Desourdy Inc., 318 Knowlton Rd, Knowlton, Qc J0E 1V0. Tel: 450-263-1212, Fax 450-263-9557 email: info@desourdy.ca on Sunday, August 16th, 2009 from 2pm to 5pm and 7pm to 9pm. The funeral service will be held at the funeral home in Knowlton on Monday August 17th, at 2pm. Monday, day of the service, the funeral home will be open at 12pm.

**In Memoriams**

**FLETCHER (WALKER), Marion** - In loving memory of a dear sister and sister-in-law who passed away August 14, 2008. Of all the many blessings However great or small, To have had you for a sister Was the greatest one of all. The family chain is broken now And nothing seems the same, But as God takes us one by one That chain will link again. Sadly missed and always loved and remembered,  
HELEN & DOUG RAYMOND  
PHYLLIS WALKER

**KIRBY, Merlin Derby** - In loving memory of a dear wife, mother and grandmother who left us twelve long years ago on August 15, 1997. Love lives on forever, It never fades away. In our hearts you are with us, Each and every day.  
Missed and Remembered,  
THE KIRBY FAMILY

**HILL, Alvah M.** - In sad and loving memory of my dear husband, Alvah M. Hill, who passed away August 4, 1993, who left an empty space no one can ever fill. Forever missed.  
MARION (wife)

**MARSHALL, Pearl (White)** - In loving memory of our dear mother and grandmother who passed away August 15, 2008. Look around your garden, Lord, She won't be hard to find, She has a face that's full of love And a heart that's good and kind. Tell her that we love her And when she turns and smiles, Put your arm around her, Lord, And hold her for a while. Sadly missed by  
HER FAMILY

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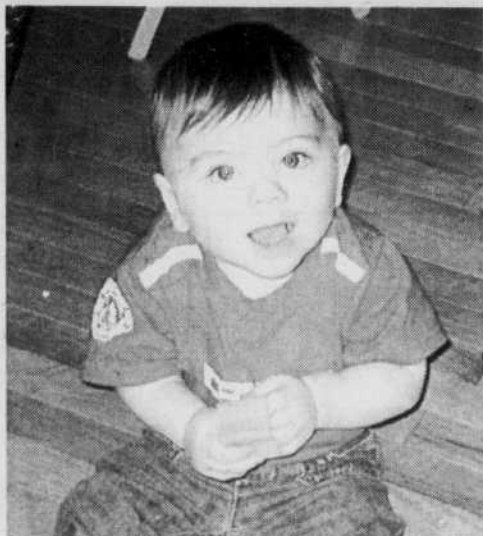
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Liam Maclver  
(August 15)

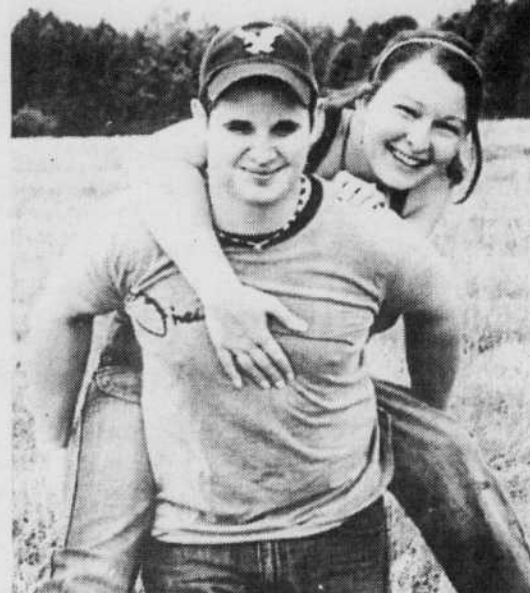
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Today's clue: Z equals V

"E SRD RGSFRD DYXEAND. PNL  
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DYXEANDGF." - ORXXRM ORSBYLL  
"E GAZYC MYX SELM RGG KF  
MYRXL." - XFRW A'WYRG

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VFZZIW CFW THM JFZ JKBB OWC CFW  
NBHTW." - BHAXWMVW P. GWCWX

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "I was always serious. But nobody would take me seriously." - Farrah Fawcett "I loved her with all my heart." - Ryan O'Neal

**KIT N' CARLYLE**



**HERMAN**

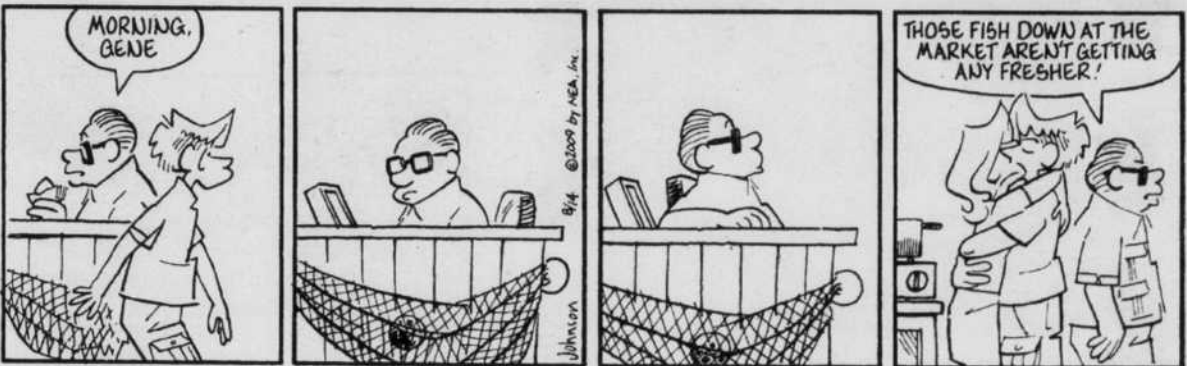


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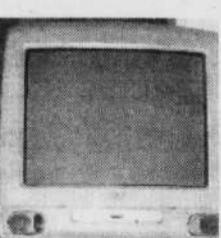
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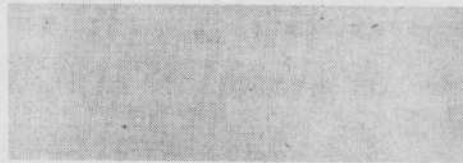
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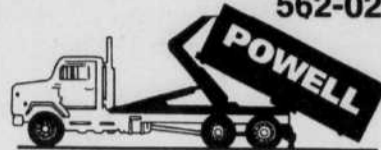
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## EAT IN AND SAVE

### Chill out with cold soup

By Marialisa Calta

Summer is the one time of year when it is easy to eat those multiple servings of vegetables that nutritionists recommend. You can even get them all in one bowl, in a soup like gazpacho. The only problem is choosing your recipe.

"In Spain, there is no more agreement about what constitutes 'correct' gazpacho than there is agreement about barbecue in the United States," writes Sasa Mahr-Batuz and Andy Pforzheimer in "The Barcelona Cookbook" (Andrews McMeel, 2009). So, while food historians will tell you that a "true" gazpacho must have garlic, bread, vinegar, salt and oil, the reality is that pretty much anything

goes. Recipes for gazpachos sometimes contain fish, mayonnaise, potatoes, ham, grapes, raisins, hard-boiled eggs and almonds. Some gazpachos are thin and served in a glass as a refreshing drink. Others are thick and have a stewlike texture. Still others, like the one from "The Barcelona Cookbook," are relatively thin but have toppings to thicken them.

This first recipe has the virtue of including all of the "must haves" in it. It keeps up to three days, which the authors note makes it ideal for prepping ahead for a party or special dinner. The second recipe, for "shortcut" gazpacho, is one of mine. It requires no cooking and whips up in a food processor in minutes.

#### BARCELONA GAZPACHO

##### For the soup:

3 pounds ripe tomatoes, cored and chopped

2 red bell peppers, stemmed, seeded and chopped

1 cucumber, peeled, seeded and coarsely chopped

1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil

6 cloves garlic, peeled and coarsely chopped

1/2 day-old round-loaf Italian bread, crust removed and bread cut into 1-inch cubes (about 4 cups)

1/4 cup sherry vinegar, or more to taste

1 teaspoon ground cumin

1/4 teaspoon cayenne

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt, or more to taste

freshly ground black pepper

4 cups tomato juice

##### For the garnish:

1/4 day-old round-loaf Italian bread, crust removed and bread cut into 1/2-inch cubes (2 cups)

3/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil, plus more for serving

4 scallions, trimmed, white and green parts thinly sliced

1 red bell pepper, stemmed and seeded, cut into 1/2-inch dice

1 green bell pepper, stemmed and seeded, cut into 1/2-inch dice

1/2 cucumber seeded and cut into 1/2-inch dice

In a large mixing bowl, combine the tomatoes, peppers and cucumber.

In a skillet, heat the olive oil and garlic over medium heat, and simmer gently for about 15 minutes or until the garlic is browned and tender. Transfer to the mixing bowl, and add the bread cubes. Stir the ingredients together, and add the vinegar, cumin, cayenne and salt. Season with black pepper, and set aside for about one hour for the flavors to blend.

Working in batches, puree the mixture in a food processor. Transfer the

puree to a large bowl. Strain into another bowl, and stir in the tomato juice. Taste and adjust the seasoning with salt and vinegar if needed. Cover and refrigerate for at least three hours or up to three days.

Preheat the oven to 425 F. Put the bread cubes in a medium bowl, and pour the oil over them. Toss to mix. Spread the cubes on a single layer on a rimmed baking pan, and bake for four minutes. Rotate the pan, turn the croutons over, and continue baking for four minutes longer or until golden brown and crisp. Allow to cool. These will keep in a tightly lidded container for up to two days.

When serving, taste the soup and add more vinegar if needed. Ladle 1-1/2 to 2 cups into chilled soup bowls. Garnish each bowl with about 1-1/2 tablespoons of the scallions, peppers and cucumbers. Top with croutons and a drizzle of olive oil. Serve immediately.

Yield: 4 to 6 servings

Recipe from "The Barcelona Cookbook" by Sasa Mahr-Batuz and Andy Pforzheimer (Andrews McMeel, 2009)

#### SHORTCUT GAZPACHO

1 pound ripe tomatoes, chopped

1 cup fresh, canned, or frozen (and thawed) corn kernels

1/2 cucumber, peeled and chopped

1/2 medium red onion, peeled and chopped

2 tablespoons cider vinegar or rice-wine vinegar

2 (12-ounce) cans V8 vegetable juice

2 teaspoons Asian chili paste with garlic (available in Asian aisle of supermarket) or hot sauce

1 teaspoon honey, or to taste

salt and pepper to taste

chopped fresh cilantro or parsley, for garnish

Combine all ingredients except cilantro (or parsley) in the bowl of a food processor, and process until desired consistency is reached. Taste and adjust ingredients. Cover and chill at least three hours or overnight. Serve, garnished with cilantro if desired.

Yield: 4 servings

Marialisa Calta is the author of "Barbarians at the Plate: Taming and Feeding the American Family" (Perigee, 2005). For more information, go to [www.marialisacalta.com](http://www.marialisacalta.com).

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Photo by John Blais for "The Barcelona Cookbook" by Sasa Mahr-Batuz and Andy Pforzheimer (Andrews McMeel, 2009)  
It's easy to eat your veggies with a bowl of flavorful, chilled gazpacho.

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## Friday, Aug. 14, 2009

Although old, loyal friends may prove to play some valuable roles in your affairs in the year ahead, you still need to be cautious about new people you meet. Investigate the credentials of strangers before forming any kind of alliance.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) — Be careful to weigh and balance all your major decisions, because if you make one in haste and put it into action, you could discover that it's a major mistake you won't be able to rewind.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — A long-neglected responsibility might rise like a giant wave and wash away any hopes you had to take care of it. What you lose could be greater than you anticipated.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Be selective with regard to the person you choose to hang out with at this time. The wrong type could involve you in a situation that would put you at odds with a close friend.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Your entire household may tell you in no uncertain terms that it isn't large enough for two strong-willed chiefs. You may be the one who has to remove a few feathers from the war bonnet.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — You may be quite ardent at making your points, but that doesn't mean they will be well received, let alone accepted. If you attempt to force your views on friends or family, you will be resented.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Be extremely watchful concerning your financial affairs, and don't listen to just anyone who offers advice; otherwise, you could suffer some kind of major loss. If you can, leave things until another day.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — When you find yourself in a competitive development, take the time to size up your opponent, especially if betting is involved. If that person is holding all the cards, you'll be trumped.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) — Some nasty responsibilities might get dumped in your lap if you let things fester and grow out of proportion. It's better to take care of issues one at a time than to let them all gang up at once.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) — Do not take any gambles or risks on your business affairs, especially if what you want is based on hearsay information, even if it comes from a usually good source. Check things out first.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) — Unless you are honest with regard to your motives for doing something for another, your subterfuge will be exposed and resented. Selfish desires will be met with disdain.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) — Avoid a negative-thinking companion. This person could implant doubt in your mind and cause you to forgo chasing something truly worthwhile.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) — A joint endeavor is destined to fail if either you or your colleague expects more from the other than is reasonably possible and/or even agreed upon.

## Saturday, Aug. 15, 2009

In the year ahead, you are likely to establish several new friendships with persons you'll meet in your line of work. These relationships could develop in a manner where you'll invite them into your private, social world.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) — You and two close buddies could be at odds where minor issues are concerned, but don't fret. You'll be in complete harmony with all major concerns, and that's what counts.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — When you get through messing around with inconsequential stuff, you'll get down to business and garner a number of marvelous achievements.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Even if you start out slightly intimidated by the challenges facing you, you'll eventually get your sea legs and fearlessly take on whatever complicated problems beckon.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Early confusion may hold you back, but it will only be temporary. Once you determine whether your fears are logical assumptions or merely emotional ones, you'll move on things.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — A recently negotiated agreement about which you are unhappy can be improved upon as long as you don't demand undeserved perks. Be reasonable.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Although financial conditions are not likely to be the greatest, you'll know how to make the best of what you have and be satisfied with the result.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Be careful not to show favoritism toward those who can do something for you while slighting others who are truly your friends. Don't give pals cause to re-evaluate your worthiness.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) — Don't feel sorry for someone who is playing you for sympathy to get you to do his or her bidding. Give your time and interest to those who have proven to be loyal friends.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) — With a little probing, you can gain some useful knowledge that's being withheld from you. Part of it is exactly what you want to hear, but the other part may need adjustments.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) — There is a good chance you will get yourself on track with something that has more intrinsic value than what early indicators first suggested. Once recognized, it'll be full speed ahead.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) — You won't be happy with the results of that which you delegate, so do as much as possible of the work yourself. You'll be far more pleased with the outcome.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) — Do not give much credence to early indicators. You should get luckier and luckier as time moves on and as you move closer to the finish line, not vice versa.

## Sunday, Aug. 16, 2009

In the year ahead, there might be numerous possibilities for you to generate additional earnings or advantages from a plethora of sources. Look for opportunities to come from all over the place, but especially through one friend in particular.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) — Your instincts are strong, but following them might be a different story. Unless your trust your feelings and let your emotions guide you, you may never discover the nice places they can take you.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Let yourself go, and forgo following the norm. You'll find that if you avoid stuffy types who could dampen your spirits, you'll have a spring in your step and a song in your heart.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — There's no need to get upset if you have difficulty achieving certain objectives, because if fate bars one door, you'll find a way to open an even better second one.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — If you're a good listener and a keen observer, you'll be able to focus on all the wonderful things happening around you. You'll be able to see, hear and learn a lot that will serve you well socially.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Sherlock Holmes has nothing on you. In fact, you won't even need a magnifying glass because little will escape your observant eye and you'll easily solve anything mysterious.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — After flipping a coin to see what's right, it's to your advantage to turn it over and evaluate both sides of an issue before making a decision and determining its total worth.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — This might be an excellent day to take on all those small but important tasks you've been putting off. Your mind and body are well synchronized for working fast and efficiently.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) — Whether you are at work, at home or at play, all of your involvements will seem fun and entertaining. It'll be your optimistic, friendly outlook that attracts such a positive environment.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) — Get moving early this morning, clean up the house, and make sure that everything is in apple-pie order. Odds are that unexpected company will stop by.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) — Even though it may be out of character, there's a good chance you're likely to be quite restless. It might be smart to outline a variety of activities to keep from getting restless.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) — Controlling your spending habits is possible, but you might have to knot two loose ends in order to bring this about. Lock up any dangling urges that cause you to spend wildly.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) — Your warm and caring manner will draw people in droves, so don't be surprised if you turn around and find a houseful of pals dropping by just to say hello.

## Friday, Aug. 14, 2009

# You must do what you have to do

By Phillip Alder

Sir Winston Churchill said, "It's not enough that we do our best; sometimes we have to do what's required."

It is a common refrain that you should do the best you can. If it isn't good enough, that's a pity but not something to fret about. At the bridge table, though, you sometimes have to do what is required, even if it risks additional undertricks. This deal is an example. You are in two no-trump. West leads the diamond king despite your opening bid of one diamond. How would you plan the play?

North, with 12 points, might have jumped to three no-trump. However, knowing you to be an aggressive bidder, he gave you some leeway, which was lucky because three no-trump has no chance.

You have seven top tricks: three spades, three hearts and one diamond. Maybe West has found a strange lead from a three-card diamond suit. Then you would get an eighth trick with your long diamond. So, duck the first two rounds of diamonds and take the third, noting that East discards a spade — no luck there.

You could eventually establish a club trick, but unless East has all three honors, you will lose three diamonds and three clubs, going down one.

Instead, you should try to get four heart tricks. And there's only one sensible way to do that — find East with the jack. (Yes, West might have a singleton jack, but that is very unlikely.) Play a spade to dummy's queen, then lead a low heart and put in your 10. If West produces the jack, you will go down two. If, though, your 10 holds, you can claim.



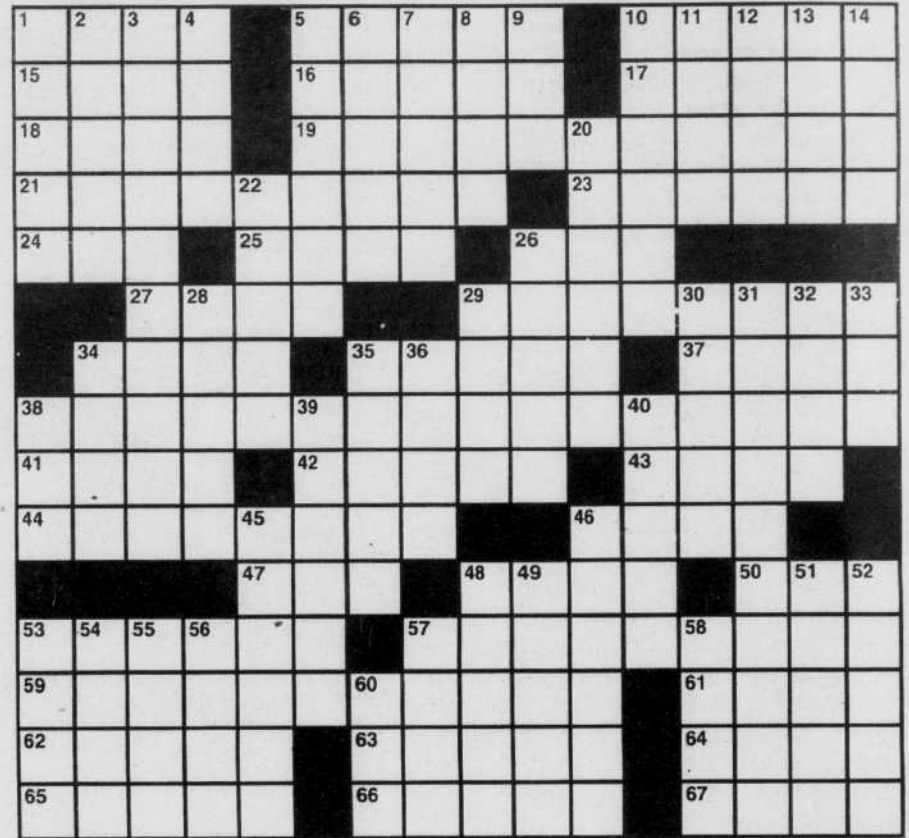
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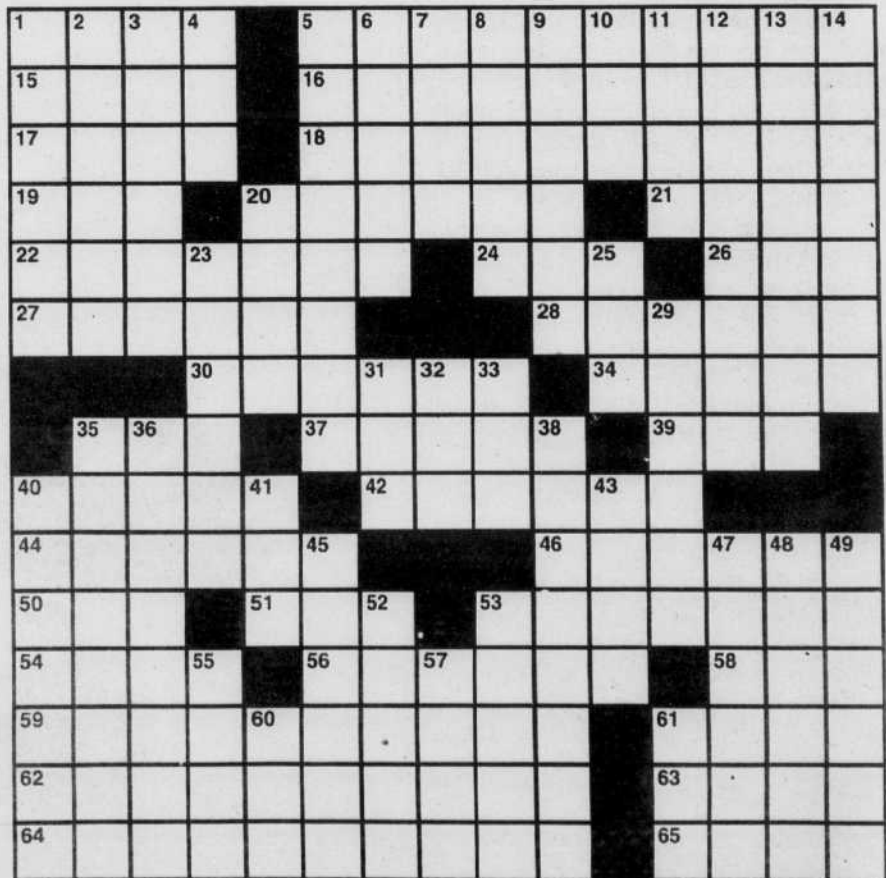
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# I am not sure whose babies they are

**Dear Annie:** I have been married to "Jim" for over 20 years. We love each other deeply, and I would never dream of hurting him. I recently had a friendly lunch with "Pete," my oldest and dearest friend. Afterward, I realized I still have deep feelings for him. Pete and I have lunch regularly, and my attraction to him has been growing.

Jim and I are still madly in love, and we have a fantastic relationship. We are the parents of three young children, and I am now pregnant with twins. Annie, I slept with Pete and am not sure whose babies they are. How can I solve this problem without hurting either of them? — Pregnant and Confused

**Dear Pregnant:** What is this? "Days of Our Lives"? If you love Jim and wish to stay married to him, you have to stop seeing Pete. Period. You cannot be sleeping with both men and expect it won't eventually destroy your family. This is not only your life you are toying with. You have a husband and children and your actions affect them, as well.

Tell Pete it's over, get into marriage counseling with Jim, and when the twins are born, do a paternity test. If they are Pete's children, he deserves to know, and there should be an accurate medical history.

**Dear Annie:** I had to respond to your reply to "College Administrator." It is not a college's job to be the guardian of a student. It is up to the parents to teach their children how to handle the increased responsibility of being away from home and getting their education. Unfortunately, in today's world, many parents believe it is everyone's responsibility but their own to teach their children how to manage money, how to do chores, how to have a good work ethic and how to become independent, contributing members of society.

Colleges are responsible for educating young adults, not raising them. As a parent, it is scary sending off your teen to be on his own. But most universities require out-of-town freshmen to stay in dormitories, where there is a transition from family living to independent living, but they do not dictate what time the students wake up, eat, shower, study or go to bed. That is the student's responsibility.

I hope "Concerned About My Son's Future" gets her son the professional mental help he needs. It is heart wrenching to see your child in pain. However, unless the school was mentally abusing the student, I don't believe it is responsible for his mental health. — Biloxi, Miss.

**Dear Biloxi:** We didn't say the school was responsible for raising a child or making him healthy — only that parents expect school personnel to pay attention when a student is showing signs of mental illness. Here's one more:

**Dear Annie:** You told "College Administrator" that "parents need to believe their child is being watched over and that serious problems will be noticed."

That was most appropriate in light of the April 16, 2007, tragedy at Virginia Tech. If only the red flags before that terrible incident had been checked into more thoroughly, 32 precious lives may have been spared. Our son was a student on that campus, and not a day goes by that I don't think of those individuals. Because of the unseasonable cold that day, my son decided not to go to lab

ahead of schedule. Otherwise, he would have been parking his bike near Norris Hall about the time that horrific rampage began.

My heart goes out to those families as we all strive daily to uphold the Virginia Tech motto — Ut Prosim — "That I May Serve" — in their memory. — VT '76 Alumnus & '09 Mom

**Dear Annie:** My husband and I retired several years ago and built a house in the country. He told me that one day he might have to let his widowed mother live with us. I had no problem with that until she actually moved in. For the past three years, this woman has played on my husband's feelings. She won't make any new friends and expects him to stay in the house 24/7 with her because she is afraid to leave the premises. Our friends

## Annie's Mailbox

stopped asking us to go out with them, and they no longer come to the house.

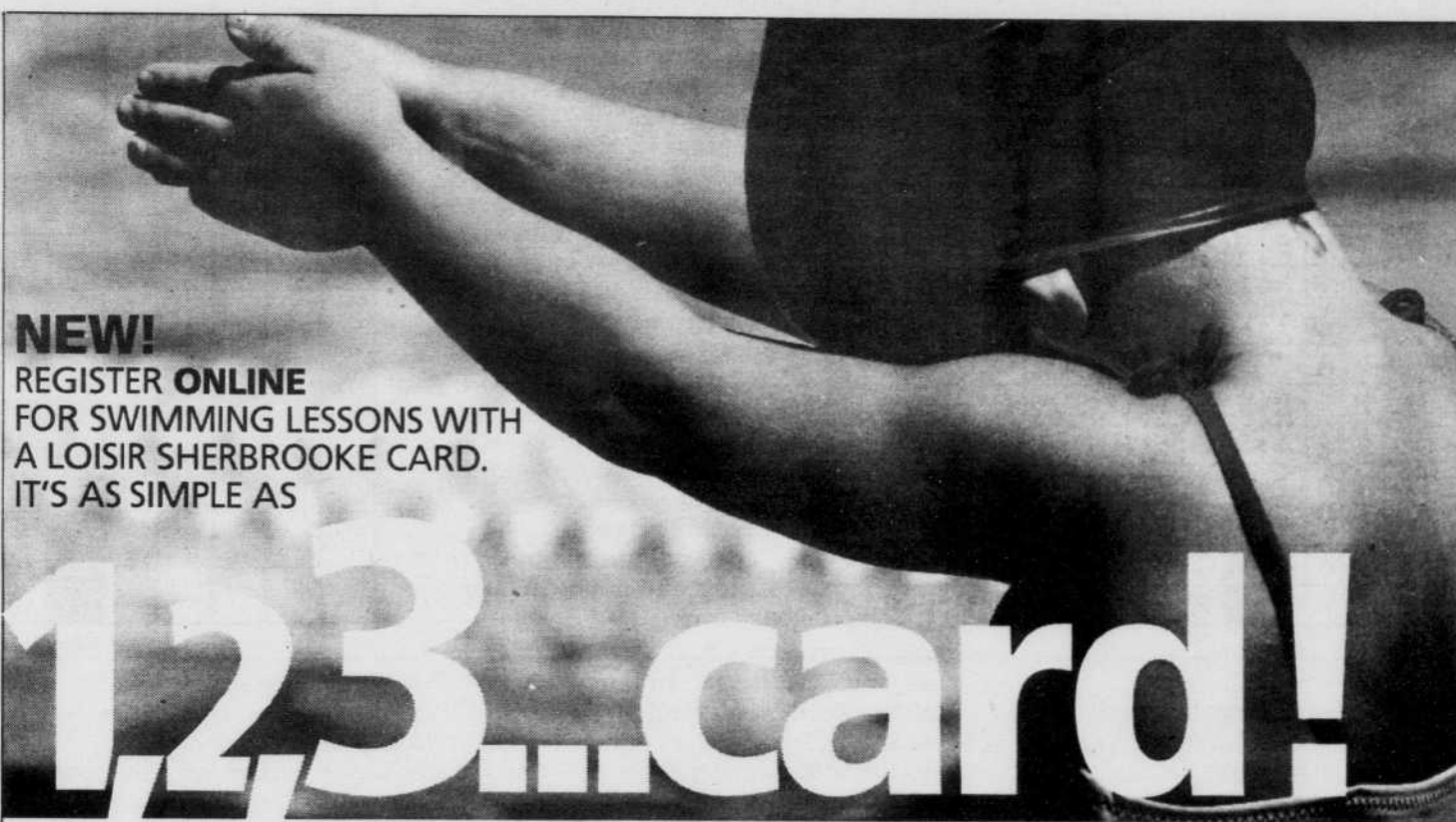
On top of that, my mother-in-law doesn't pick up after herself and throws her things all over. She henpecks my husband to no end, reminding him to put a coat on, take his medicine, turn the dishwasher on, etc. Mom promised that when she moved in, nothing would change and we could still have our own life. What a laugh. She gives him a guilt trip day in and day out. We always got along, but now I resent her enormously. Out of respect for my husband, I haven't said anything, but it's reached the boiling point.

My husband has a retired sister in another state, but she has yet to invite her mother for a visit. In fact, she hasn't even visited her in our house. She e-mails us frequently about their fun weekends. I

want my life back. Any gentle advice? — Ready To Move Out

**Dear Ready:** You and your husband need to discuss this privately so he knows how unhappy you are, and that he's not helping his mother by allowing her to become so dependent on him, cooped up and isolated all day. Enlist his sister's help by having her take Mom a couple of times a year so you can get a break. If she refuses, ask her to contribute to the cost of hiring a companion once a week. Also look into area senior programs where Mom can meet others and get out of the house, and many provide transportation. Please work on this before the resentment becomes too much to handle.

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



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