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TOWNSHIPS DIGEST

Six involved in car crash in St-Joachim-de-Shefford

One person was gravely injured and five others received minor injuries when two cars collided at the intersection of route 241 and 8th range in St-Joachim-de-Shefford on Sunday around 1:30 p.m. Quebec Police Force officials said the crash may have occurred because one car ran a stop sign. The severely injured victim was taken to the Sainte Justine Hospital in Montreal.

Fire causes \$120,000 damage

A fire caused \$120,000 worth of damage to the house at 2060 Lemire in Fleurimont on Saturday night. Hot ashes were left in a plastic garbage can next to the house and the fire spread up the wall and into the roof. The water used to extinguish the fire did the rest of the damage.

A new you for the new millennium

You don't have a moment to lose - this is the time to start planning your new millennium self. See page 10.

Finns win World Junior Hockey Championships

Suomi, how they love you, how they love you. The Finns provided a perfect finish to the World Junior Hockey Championships Saturday by beating the Russians 2-1 in overtime on a goal by Niklas Hagman. A sellout crowd at the 13,655-seat Hartwall Arena included the Finnish prime minister. Suomi, pronounced Soo-oh-may, is the Finnish world for Finland. See page 11.

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Freezing rain

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IN THE TRENCHES



PERRY BEATON/CORRESPONDENT

Residents of the Dubreuil sector of Fleurimont who were evacuated from their homes Dec. 30 due to another biogas leak from the municipal dump were allowed to return home the morning of Dec. 31. The City of Sherbrooke advised the 20 evacuated families the gas problem was under control. Workers were busy digging trenches with three cranes on Dec. 31 between the northernmost area of the Sherbrooke dump and the houses on top of the sandy hill (pictured). With the ditches dug down to the water table and gas extractors installed, the last means of passage of gas to the houses should have been cut off, city officials said.

Avalanches claim eight lives in B.C.

By Ian Mulgrew
SOUTHAM NEWS
KASLO, B.C.

The bodies of six skiers lie entombed near the Woodbury Glacier in southeastern B.C. as roiling snow storms and the fear of further avalanches keep rescue crews at bay.

The treacherous weather also hampered attempts by grieving relatives to reach this tiny community near where the tragedy occurred.

Vince Nicola of Vancouver, whose daughter Lise is believed among the dead, stood stunned in the Cranbrook airport with his son, trying to find a way to get here.

Planes into Castlegar, a much closer Interior airport, were canceled and car-

rental companies in the area had run out of four-by-four vehicles that are essential to traversing the rugged highways.

"We're just going to drive through," Nicola said as he and his son rented a car to make the four-hour drive to Kaslo.

Five of the bodies were spotted Saturday by Kaslo Search and Rescue volunteers working from a helicopter. The sixth is believed nearby, said RCMP Const. Jay Arnold.

"But the snow is still so unstable we can't get anyone on the ground for fear of triggering another slide," he said as night closed in, ending Sunday's attempts to get into the cloud-choked valley. "We're hoping the weather will clear (today) and we can get in."

Nicola said he was numb, knew little about what happened, and was hoping against hope that his daughter had survived. "I honestly don't want to be part of a disaster story."

The skiers, who came from North Vancouver, Whistler, Penticton and Nelson, were among eight British Columbians killed during the weekend because of treacherous snow conditions in the mountains.

A high avalanche alert was put into effect Thursday for the South Columbia Mountains where the deaths occurred.

Sparwood RCMP said 38-year-old Murray Gray Perrin of Medicine Hat was killed at Elliott Lake when a slide hit him and his snowmobiling friends. Three others with Perrin survived.

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What goes around may eventually come around

Happy New Year. You won't get any resolutions from me. It's not because you can't teach this old dog any new tricks - I'm learning the latest every day - but rather because I know my

usually diminished stock of willpower won't sustain any resolution I would consider worthwhile.

Instead, how about beginning '98 with some mildly good news, taken from the pages of the Boston Globe. As you'll see, it's a case of what goes around may eventually come around:

'MONTPELIER - A California company is considering running a passenger train from Montreal through Vermont to the seacoast,

probably at Portland, Maine.'

The St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad, based in Auburn, Maine, is talking to the company, but no definitive plans have been



CHARLES BURY

made. The unidentified West Coast company "is looking at several options," said St. Lawrence and Atlantic vice president Matt Jacobson.

'The passenger train could hook up with cruise ships in Maine, and could make excursions to Boston for foliage and winter sports tours. "There are all sorts of different ways to do it," Jacobson said. "I think we are going to get some train in some form."

Jacobson said the business is not ready to be publicly identified, but it is not Les Otten and the American Skiing Company, which have been involved in tourist train deals in Vermont and Maine. The St.

Lawrence and Atlantic tracks run close to the American Skiing Company's Sunday River Ski Area in Bethel, Maine.'

'The St. Lawrence and Atlantic runs freight trains on 165 miles of track between Portland and the Canadian border at Norton, Vt. It crosses northern New Hampshire between North Stratford and Shelburne.'

'Jacobson said no decisions have been made on where the train would stop, but he said Island Pond would be a natural because it's a crew-change point.'

'As talks proceed, something more definite might be announced next month, Jacobson said.'

'No passenger trains have run on

the St. Lawrence and Atlantic rails in Vermont for 30 years. Many freight railroads need extensive track upgrades before they can carry high-speed passenger service, but Jacobson said the rail quality is fine for slower tourist trains.'

So why is this good news for readers of The Record? Because the way to New England from Montreal is through the Eastern Townships. To connect Montreal and Portland, the train in this story would have to travel through Acton Vale and Richmond, or Farnham and Magog, as well as Sherbrooke and Lennoxville.

I think the Globe is a bit mixed up on the details. The St. Lawrence and Atlantic is the Canadian part of the original line from Montreal to Portland which became the Grand Trunk Railway and later the CNR. The American part, from Island Pond through Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine, was and I believe still is called the Atlantic and St. Lawrence. It too belonged to the Grand Trunk and later CN, although I believe CN has sold it off in recent years.

The Montreal-Portland link was originally intended mainly to deliver travellers and cargo more quickly between Montreal and the ports of Europe. The Grand Trunk soon earned a second vocation moving factory workers between their homes in Quebec and their livelihoods in the mill towns of New England. Eventually still a third role developed for passenger trains - transporting vacationing Quebecers to and from their summering grounds around Old Orchard Beach.

Then came the automobile, and demand for passenger service started to decline. The Grand Trunk trains ran half-empty, then empty, then not at all. Today only freight trains run on the old GTR - and few of them at that. Most of the cargo is container freight headed to and from Portland harbor, and except for paper mills in Windsor, QC, and Groveton and Berlin Mills, NH, neither CN nor the Atlantic and St. Lawrence have many major local customers.

Plans to revive recreational passenger-train service are blossoming all over North America, but few of them ever bear fruit. Today's travellers don't like to be away from their cars for very long. If you like riding trains, keep your fingers crossed. Then when the time comes, buy a couple of tickets and take along a friend.

loto-québec results

Draw 97-12-31

10 13 29 30 37 41

BONUS NUMBER: 40

WINNERS	PRIZES
6/6	1 \$ 2 478 135,20
5/6+	7 \$ 106 205,80
5/6	249 \$ 2 388,50
4/6	13 505 \$ 84,40
3/6	262 160 \$ 10

Total sales: \$ 16 839 712,00
Next grand prize (approx.): \$ 2 100 000,00

Quebec 49

Draw 97-12-31

6 13 27 40 43 48

BONUS NUMBER: 42

WINNERS	PRIZES
6/6	0 \$ 1 000 000,00
5/6+	1 \$ 50 000,00
5/6	24 \$ 500
4/6	1 017 \$ 50
3/6	18 464 \$ 5

Total sales: \$ 606 128,50

Extra Draw 97-12-31

NUMBER	PRIZES
569069	\$ 100,000
69069	\$ 1,000
9069	\$ 250
069	\$ 50
69	\$ 10
9	\$ 2

TVA, the network of draws

Claims: See back of tickets, in the event of discrepancy between this list and the official winning list, the latter shall prevail.

loto-québec results

Draw 98-01-03

6 20 24 33 42 47

Bonus number: 25

WINNERS	PRIZES
6/6	1 \$ 2 224 062,30
5/6+	6 \$ 111 203,10
5/6	362 \$ 1 474,50
4/6	15 865 \$ 64,50
3/6	245 202 \$ 10

Total sales: \$ 15 333 655,00
Next grand prize (approx.): \$ 2 000 000,00

Quebec 49

Draw 98-01-03

8 10 12 30 36 47

Bonus number: 1

WINNERS	PRIZES
6/6	1 \$ 1 000 000,00
5/6+	1 \$ 50 000,00
5/6	14 \$ 500
4/6	1 074 \$ 50
3/6	20 158 \$ 5

Total sales: \$ 557 169,50

Extra Friday Draw 98-01-02

NUMBER	PRIZES
162178	\$ 100,000
62178	\$ 1,000
2178	\$ 250
178	\$ 50
78	\$ 10
8	\$ 2

Extra Saturday Draw 98-01-03

NUMBER	PRIZES
443197	\$ 100,000
43197	\$ 1,000
3197	\$ 250
197	\$ 50
97	\$ 10
7	\$ 2

Super 7 Draw 98-01-02

21 22 27 28 32 44 47

Bonus number: 9

WINNERS	PRIZES
7/7	0 \$ 2 500 000,00
6/7+	1 \$ 97 698,40
6/7	41 \$ 2 085,00
5/7	1 999 \$ 152,70
4/7	43 435 \$ 10
3/7+	40 650 \$ 10
3/7	367 992 free play

Total sales: \$ 5 318 384,00
Next grand prize (approx.): \$ 4 000 000,00

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TODAY'S WEATHER

REGIONAL FORECASTS	MAX	MIN
Sherbrooke	Ocnl Rain	5 2
Thetford Mines	Frzg Rain	2 1
Cowansville	Ocnl Rain	3 1
Richmond	Frzg Rain	2 1
Stanstead	Ocnl Rain	5 3
Lac Mégantic	Ocnl Rain	4 3

Outlook for the Eastern Townships for Tuesday:
Intermittent rain or drizzle, max 6
Environment Canada: The source of the weather

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The first six months

1997: The Townships Year In Review

January

After years of debate between rural separatists and the town, three sectors of Ascot break off to join Lennoxville, Waterville and Hatley Township.

Volunteer firefighters in Hatley protest a move from town council to hand over fire protection services to neighboring Ayer's Cliff because of a drop in the number of firefighters.

On the advice of militants from the Townships, the Parti Québécois' National Council passes three unanimous resolutions which could limit access for English-speaking Quebecers to health and social services in their own language.

A record of more than 2000 voters from both the English and French-speaking communities turn out to vote for representatives on the board of the newly merged board of health care institutions in the Memphrémagog MRC. Observers say 80 per cent of those to cast ballots in some stations were English-speaking.

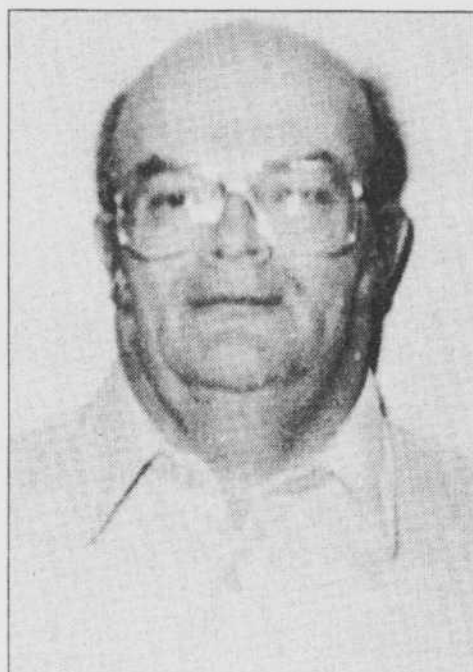
The town of Lennoxville, which has been given seven months to make its signs comply to Quebec's Charter of the French Language, seeks creative and inexpensive ways to make its illegal street signs legal again. While the law allows for words other than French on street signs, it says the signs must also contain a French qualifier such as "rue," "chemin" or "boulevard".

After being visibly absent from the Eastern Townships for six months, CBC Radio has a new presence in its Lennoxville office as Gaspé reporter Ron Lavallée becomes a permanent fixture at the CBC office at 164 Queen St. in Lennoxville.

Bedford school teacher Hank Avery begins a quest to have an unmarked slave cemetery in Bedford recognized as an historic site. The campaign continues.

The municipalities of Sutton and Sutton Townships begin talks of a merger which would highlight municipal politics for the year and end in a referendum held during municipal elections in November. Township mayor Peter Stastny, a supporter of the merger, was defeated in the election.

Townshippers' Association joins other English-language lobby groups in the province in urging Quebec to accept health care access plans without sending them to the Office de la langue française for approval.



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In February, Danville resident Glenn Later, accused of sexual interference with three girls between the ages of seven and 10, was released on bail.

Marcel Bolduc, father of 22-year-old Isabelle Bolduc who was raped and murdered, launched a \$2 million dollar lawsuit against Corrections Canada and three of its employees. Two of the three men charged with the brutal rape and murder of his daughter were on parole at the time, and the third was an ex-convict.

Students return to a Coaticook high school after the Christmas break mourning the loss of three classmates who had committed suicide in separate incidents. There were more suicides in the weeks that followed.

Well-known Thetford Mines businessman Raymond Setlawke is awarded the Order of Canada for his volunteer work with many Quebec charities.

February

The town of North Hatley gets the go-ahead from citizens to move its town hall to the community centre, but opponents of the move say voting irregularities in the referendum should annul the vote.

North Hatley town councillor Murielle Pelletier's name appears on a list of property owners who haven't paid their municipal taxes for the past three years.

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Worried that the government may

close the Cowansville courthouse and transfer cases to Granby, a group of lawyers in the Bedford judicial district plans a 72-hour blitz to protest delays in renovating the old building.

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC), approves the application of Can-West Global to purchase and expand tiny CKMI in Quebec City to become a regional English-language broadcaster serving the capital region, Montreal and Sherbrooke. The broadcaster promises the Townships will be reflected on the new channel.

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A French ban on Asbestos in July, 1996 was finally getting the attention of federal and provincial representatives and Ottawa pledged a half million dollars to help promote the responsible use of asbestos and ward off new bans.

Quebec Premier Lucien Bouchard's car was pelted with eggs when he arrived for a PQ fund-raising dinner in Sherbrooke. Police in riot gear held angry protestors at bay while the premier addressed party supporters inside.

The CRTC granted Global a broadcasting license, and the network pledged more and better coverage of the Eastern Townships.

Lawyers in Cowansville stage demonstrations to protest the delay in promised new construction and renovations at the



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Cowansville courthouse. Lawyers marched through the streets to raise awareness of the threat to legal services and, in a mock trial, they found Justice Minister Paul Bégin 'guilty of delay'.

Information meetings begin in several Townships towns on a proposed 220-km. natural gas pipeline that would affect 40 municipalities and 900 landowners. It was the beginning of a long process that became more heated as new information was unveiled.



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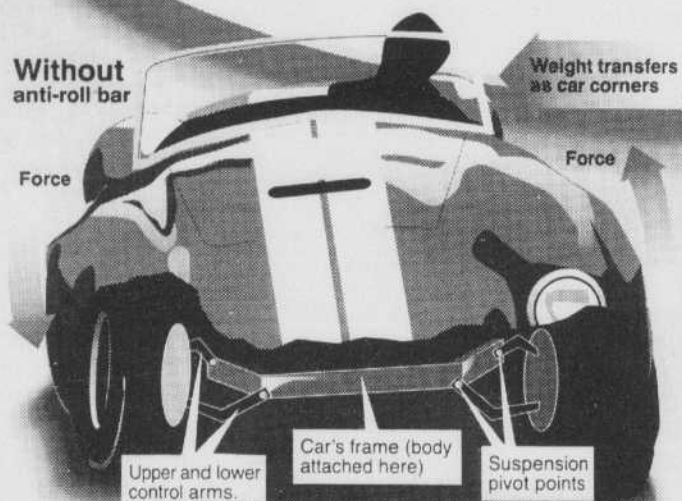
How anti-roll bars work

Anti-roll bars do more than simply keep a vehicle riding 'flat' while cornering. In the process of the keeping a vehicle level, they help prevent uncontrolled movement of the car's weight that might 'toss' it out of control (caused by rapid weight transfer with too little control). Anti-roll bars keep weight more evenly distributed amongst the tires. Here's how they work.



With anti-roll bar

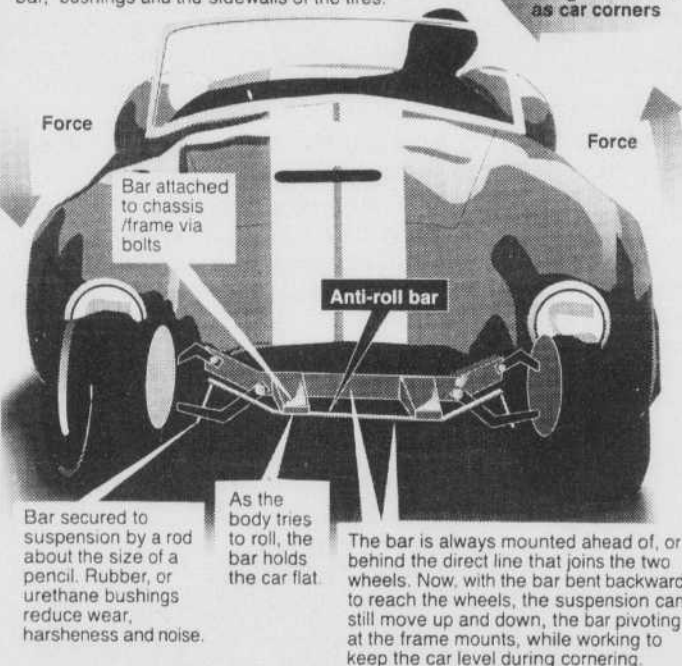
Without anti-roll bar



Without anti-roll bar

Weight transfers as car corners

Basically, each end of the anti-roll bar is anchored to each wheel via the suspension, which forms a rigid beam to which the body/frame are attached. For the body to roll now, one of the wheels has to actually lift off the ground. There is a small amount of roll, however, due to flex in the bar, bushings and the sidewalls of the tires.



With anti-roll bar

Weight transfers as car corners

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Cookshire trailer park residents are forced to leave their homes as the Eaton River flowed over its banks.

March

About two dozen people from a Cookshire trailer park are forced to leave their homes as the Eaton River flowed over its banks and threatens to isolate them. This is the second time this year they have been forced to camp out.

Flooding in Cookshire and the deluge in the French Valley, which flooded several farms near Island Brook, resurrects growing concerns about sedimentation in the Eaton River bed.

Conservative leader and Sherbrooke MP Jean Charest jumps the gun and launches his re-election campaign for rumored spring election. The popular MP has still not been named the party's candidate for the riding.

After refusing to join two years ago, Township-ers Association decides to take part in the Quebec Community Groups Network which exerts control over a big chunk of federal funding for minority language groups in Quebec.

Education Minister Pauline Marois unveils a plan to reduce the number of school boards in Quebec from 156 to 70. Parents and educators at the Eastern Townships and District of Bedford school boards protest the new boundaries that would exclude schools on extremities. There is general consensus on the merger of the two school boards.

Municipal Affairs Minister Rémy Trudel unveiled a plan for municipal mergers that would affect several small towns and villages in the Eastern Townships. The proposed map would see 411 Quebec municipalities with populations under 10,000 combined to form 176. For some Township towns with large anglophone populations such as Newport Township and Sutton Township, the merger meant higher taxes and risking the loss of bilingual status.

Quebec introduced a buy-out plan to reduce the number of public sector workers by 15,000. The plan had a profound impact on public institutions as hundreds of experienced professionals opted for early retirement packages.

Margarine was a hot issue for Eastern Townships dairy farmers as the government contemplated deregulation of the yellow stuff. Farmers estimated deregulation could cost them \$11 million and threatened to bring their tractors to town in protest.

Jean-Paul Bainbridge, a 26-year old ex-con and one of three men involved in the brutal rape and murder of Isabelle Bolduc, pleads for leniency in sentencing arguments.

Bloc Québécois MPs in the Eastern Townships rallied to support Gilles Duceppe, the newly elected leader of the Bloc who replaced Michel Gauthier.

Federal intergovernmental affairs minister Stéphane Dion takes a pro-active approach to national unity and begins a tour of Quebec selling the benefits of Canada to Quebecers and university students in particular.

Tory leader Jean Charest launches his bid for re-election and gets support from provincial Liberals Monique Gagnon-Tremblay and Robert Benoit.

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In May, North Hatley town council admitted several businesses are operating illegally in residential zones.

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April

The Municipality of the Township of Stanbridge East becomes the first municipality in the Eastern Townships to pass a resolution supporting national unity. But unlike some in the Montreal-area, this "partitionless" resolution falls short of declaring the municipality's intent to remain part of Canada if Quebec votes to go its own way.

The court case opposing the village of North Hatley and the owners of a Table d'Hôte it claims is operating illegally in a residential zone is delayed so the lawsuit can be amended.

Residents of Sawyerville, many of them seniors with no means of transportation, protest a decision by the Bank of Montreal to close its local branch and transfer accounts to nearby Cookshire.

Popular Lennoxville mayor David Price announces his intention to run as a Conservative candidate in the federal election. He did and handily won a seat.

Some 40 farmers in La Patrie received \$150,000 compensation for damage incurred during the flooding of the summer before. Much of the damage was not covered by the fund and farmers had to pay 50 per cent of the cost of eligible repairs.

Quebec announces \$15 million to cover cost of widening a deadly stretch of highway between Bromptonville and Windsor. Between 1989 and 1993 there were 495 accidents, 41 of them fatal and another 31 causing serious injury.

Parents in Clarenceville and Drum-

mondville fight move to have students transferred to other school boards in re-organisation of school board territories.

Coroner Anne-Marie David begins an inquest into 13 suicides that occurred in Quebec prisons between January 1995 and July 1996.

Hospital boards assess impact of health cuts announced by Health Minister Jean Rochon.

Prime Minister Jean Chrétien calls a federal election for June 2 weeks after campaigning has begun.

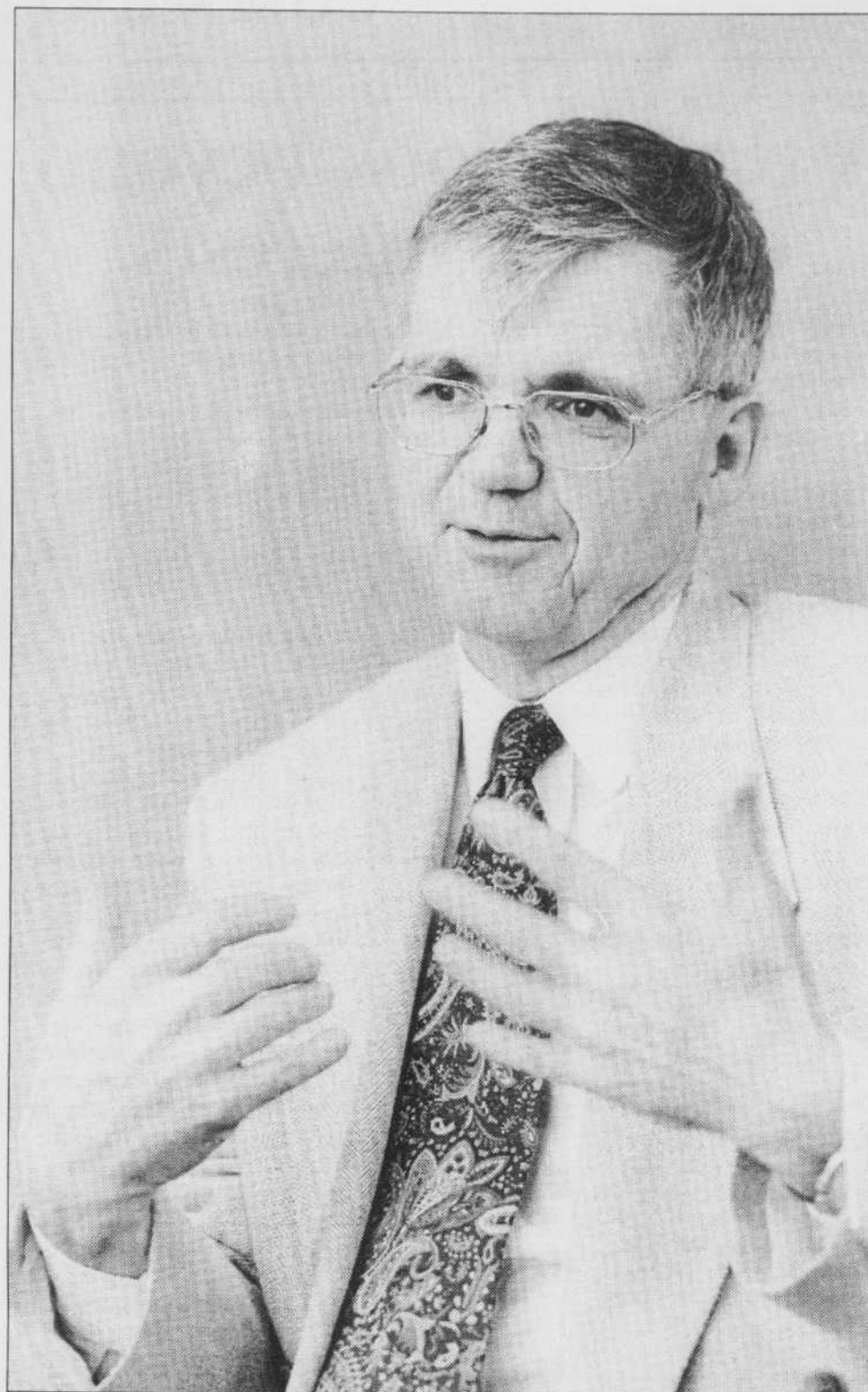
May

The Lennoxville Research Centre announces a proposed swine research project which could raise a stink in the community.

Philipsburg council faces citizens angered by a new pet control law which allows residents only one dog. Mayor Raymond Rosetti claims the law is necessary because many pet owners allow their dogs and cats to stray and disturb neighbors.

After months of trying to keep a lid on a brewing controversy over home businesses in North Hatley, the pot blows up in council's face as angry residents showed up to complain about the town's double standards. Council admits several businesses are operating illegally in residential zones.

With red lights flashing and sirens blaring, ambulance drivers, union officials, and ambulance company owners show up at a Regional Health Board



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meeting to fight for the survival of the regional ambulance dispatch centre. As part of \$33 million in budgets cuts which it must absorb the regional health board is considering transferring ambulance dispatch service to Longueuil in order to save money.

Pit bulls receive a temporary reprieve as Sherbrooke city council imposes a moratorium on part of their pet control law which would ban the controversial dogs within city limits. The prohibition was passed after a four-year-old was attacked by a pit bull on Leech St. in April. Doctors at the Centre universitaire de santé de l'Estrie flag a critical situation at the hospital's emergency room as a result of a shortage of doctors.

The District of Bedford School Board and the Eastern Townships School Board have come up with a counter proposal to Education Minister Pauline Marois's plan to merge the two institutions and modify the territories they cover. The merger, which is part of Marois's plan to drastically reduce the number of school boards in the province creating 70 linguistic boards in place of the current 156 confessional ones, exclude the areas around Clarenceville to the west and Danville and Drummondville to the east. The counter proposal is to add the MRCs of Arthabaska and Drummond to the minister's proposed zone to ensure that students in the Danville Asbestos region and those from the Drummondville area continue to be served by ETSB.

COMMUNITY FORUM

EDITORIAL

A time to look beyond our own interests

If we all kept our new year's resolutions, we'd be one skinny, sanctimonious lot, boring everyone within earshot with our miracle diets and compounding RRSPs.

Fortunately, new year's resolutions are more of an annual rite than a commitment to act. Nobody keeps them and nobody is expected to. But the exercise provides an opportunity to take a look at things that require attention: Expanding waistlines, maxed-out credit cards, the hazards of smoking.

More importantly, it's a time to look beyond our own interests to the needs of those around us.

In case you haven't noticed, we are surrounded by unnecessary human misery: Young people who feel they have no future. Old people, frightened and alone. Single parents wondering how they will feed and clothe their children. The unskilled, uneducated and unemployed. Children, neglected and abused. Workers who feel their work is undervalued and unappreciated.

Looking back at 1997, it's easy to see where each of us could have made a difference in alleviating some of the distress suffered by our neighbors with very little personal sacrifice.

Words cannot describe the grief all of us felt for families in the aftermath of teen suicides in 1997. We have a duty to try harder this year to

understand the pressures faced by young people and not be so damned judgmental.

And few things rile me more than hearing health care administrators talk about downgrading the quality of food served to the sick and elderly. I wonder what comes lower on the totem pole than the hot dogs and french fries currently served to seniors in some health care institutions. I personally pledge to picket outside the cafeteria if administrators approve this measure.

And let's agree to show zero tolerance in 1998 for big people who hurt little people. This year should not be marred by stories of people who failed to act when babies were being deprived of their basic needs.

If there is a beacon for others to follow into the new year, we can look to the example of parents who have set aside their personal suffering to spare others: The Fisher family, who lost a toddler because of questionable safety practices, and Marcel Bolduc, the father of a beautiful young woman who was snatched from her family and her future forever by madmen. These grieving families' determination to reform the system so that others won't have to endure their pain has made them larger than the system that robbed them.

Let's hope we all do better in 1998.

SHARON McCULLY

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"Look! There goes ANOTHER sport utility vehicle."

Got a job?

The news on the employment front seems to be pretty good these days. Unemployment is down, new jobs are being created. But wait, what's this news report that there are job offers, not high tech ones, and no one is applying?

How many times have we heard you can't get a job if your name is English? How many times do we whine we are disadvantaged in the job market because we don't speak perfect French? Let me tell you about a situation I am dealing with.

First off, there are some people in the "system" who want to give the English community a fair shake at jobs. We have a computer-assisted learning center in Mansonville which has six computer stations. A few volunteers have been going to great lengths to find monies to be able to offer computer and other courses to the local community. We have sent flyers, put up posters, applied for

grants, offered courses. What a relief to hear that the employment center and our member of Parliament believed in our project.

Not one, but two projects were given the go ahead: The first is a pilot project to give high school equivalency to 10 people, and an English-speaking teacher would be hired; the second was to hire a bilingual coordinator for the learning center. The person responsible for the high school equivalency project, a dynamic man in a wheel

chair, put three big display ads in The Record. He received two applications for the teaching job. The coordinator job was advertised in two hebdomads and three times in The Record. The candidate needed some computer skills and to have been on Unemployment Insurance within the past three years. We received three applications. One person was ineligible, one is working and the third, if she accepts the job, will have to work for free for half the term of the grant!

Question: Have the rest of the unemployed given up reading ads? Or have they just given up?

VIEWPOINT

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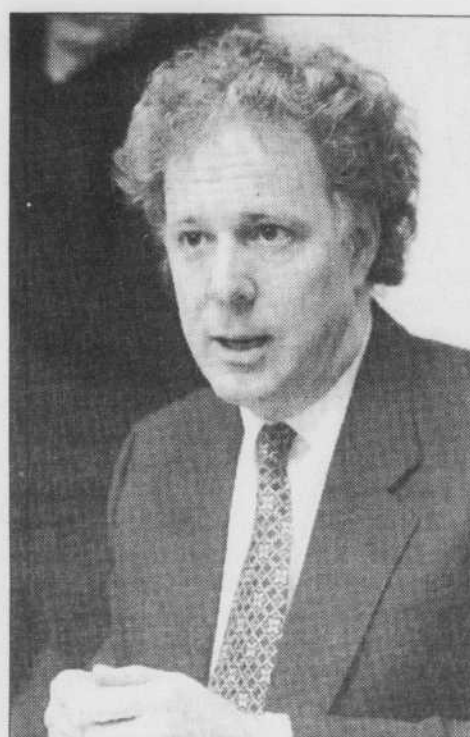
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In June, former Asbestos Mayor André Bachand was elected Conservative MP in Asbestos.



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Diane St-Jacques was elected one of four Conservative MPs in the Townships in June. She won in Shefford.



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Liberal MP Denis Paradis won in Brome-Missisquoi in June's federal election.

May (continued)

Some 2255 parents, most of them from the Arthabaska and Drummond Regional municipalities (MRCs), deposit a petition demanding those two areas be included in the proposed new school board which would serve the Eastern Townships.

Dogs make front page news as municipalities toughen bylaws. Sherbrooke contemplates banning pit bulls after an attack on a four-year-old child and Philipsburg council decided one pet per household is enough. Both councils soften their stands after public reaction.

Granby Hospital faces a crisis when its two full-time anesthetists retire. Neighboring BMP lends the services of its anesthetist but worries about a long term solution.

Former Quebec premier Jacques Parizeau came to Sherbrooke to boost the fortunes of BQ candidates Noel Lacasse and Jacques Blanchette.

Sentencing arguments wrap up in the case of Jean-Paul Bainbridge. The crown called for a 20-year sentence without chance of parole for 20 years. The defence recommended 10 to 12-year sentence. Guy Labonté, the third man charged with the brutal rape and murder of Isabelle Bolduc pleaded guilty to the lesser charge of illegal confinement and was sentenced to seven years in prison. Marcel Blanchette 49, was sentenced to life in prison after pleading guilty to first degree murder. At the same time, he pleaded guilty to the kidnap and rape of another woman.

June

Lennoxville is selected the best place to live for sports enthusiasts in a reader's challenge to find the best hometowns in Canada by Canadian Living magazine. The town was nominated for the award by Alexander Galt teacher Linda Allen who sent a wining letter to the magazine's Hometown Proud Contest.

Conservative leader Jean Charest ends up with a clear victory in his own riding, but falls far short of his objective of becoming the official opposition in the federal election. While his party didn't do well across Canada, it elected three other MPs in the Townships including former Lennoxville Mayor David Price in Megantic-Stanstead, former Asbestos Mayor André Bachand in Asbestos, and Diane St-Jacques in Shefford. Liberal Denis Paradis holds Brome-Missisquoi and the Bloc Québécois takes Drummond and Frontenac-Megantic.

Teachers at Alexander Galt stage protest to have vice-principal's position maintained and the board recants.

Three teens are found dead in a

charred van on the heels of a slew of teen suicides raising speculation the three may have died in a suicide pact. Further investigation indicated the deaths were the result of a tragic accident.

More local businesses receive letters of warning about illegal signs from the Office de la langue française. North Hatley business woman Ann Fleischer turns crusader and sells her sign to CitCan as a political statement.

Restaurant and owners protest the establishment of new tipping regulations to take effect Jan. 1, 1998. They claim it will make them tax collectors.

Governor General Romeo Leblanc visits Stanstead to mark the 125th anniversary of Stanstead College making him the fourth Governor General to visit the private school.

Cuts to health care budgets place institutions in jeopardy. Politicians raise concerns about the future of the Hotel Dieu.



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Buckingham Palace focuses on public opinion with survey project

By Robert Hardman
SOUTHAM NEWS
LONDON

Buckingham Palace has called in market researchers to tell members of the Royal Family what the British public really thinks about them.

In the latest in a succession of "modernizing" moves, Queen Elizabeth's private secretary, Sir Robert Fellowes, has commissioned the research company MORI to undertake an extensive survey of attitudes towards the monarchy.

The project, which has the full approval of the Queen, was commissioned two months ago in the aftermath of the death of Diana, Princess of Wales. It is understood that the decision followed a meeting of the Way Ahead group of members of the Royal Family and senior palace aides.

"It is not a case of just another opinion poll," said a Palace

spokesman. "This is qualitative rather than quantitative research designed to explore the public's views in a wider context."

MORI set up what are known as "focus groups" around the country involving a carefully selected demographic spread.

The data has now been completed and MORI's final conclusions will be presented to Sir Robert shortly. The results, however, will not be made public. The "focus group" is widely credited with helping the Labour Party adjust its message to attract much broader support in the last election. It is a method used by many major companies in assessing ways of promoting new or existing products.

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Queen Elizabeth gave full approval to the survey project, commissioned two months ago in the aftermath of the death of Diana, Princess of Wales.



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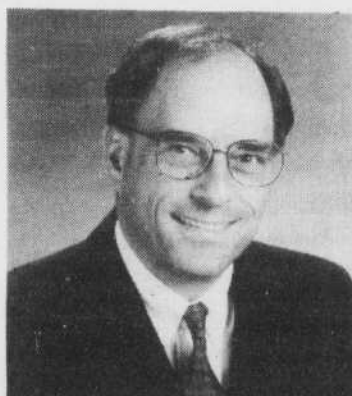


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Avalanches have claimed at least 12 lives this winter

Extreme avalanche warning in B.C., Alberta

By Dave Pommer and Dave Heyman
SOUTHAM NEWS
KASLO, B.C.

Mountain experts are warning skiers and snowmobilers that potentially disastrous conditions which led to three slides claiming at least eight lives, and possibly a ninth, could last the rest of the winter.

"There have never been so many deaths in one day from three groups in three different areas," said Evan Manners of the Canadian Avalanche Centre.

Experts are urging winter sports enthusiasts to treat avalanche-prone back-country areas with more respect after the stunning string of deaths in southern British Columbia.

"We may have to live with this kind of instability for the rest of the winter," said Alan Dennis, managing director of the Revelstoke, B.C.-based Canadian Avalanche Centre, of avalanche conditions in Alberta and B.C.

Dennis advised back-country skiers and snowmobilers "to make more conservative choices" about the terrain they traverse "unless they have more intimate knowledge of the area."

The lack of snowfall earlier this year coupled with a recent dump has left the rugged high-country near the Alberta-B.C. border cloaked in beautiful but unstable drifts.

Avalanche dangers remain high through Alberta's Kananaskis Country, the Rockies and interior British Columbia mountain ranges.

Dennis said that in addition to the three weekend tragedies there had been half a dozen other close calls reported to the centre recently.

Avalanches:

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Two skiers also died in an avalanche near Mount Alwin near New Denver, although details of that mishap were sketchy Sunday, RCMP said.

"Blame El Nino," said Eric Hoogstraten, president of the Canadian Association of Mountain Professionals.

"I don't know why anyone is up on the mountains here. It's up to each individual guide, but it's incredibly dangerous right now."

Hoogstraten said the lack of snowfall earlier this year coupled with a recent dump has left the rugged high-country near the Alberta-B.C. border cloaked in beautiful but unstable drifts.

Arnold said no guides were sent with the skiers but they had been warned Jan. 1 the avalanche risk was high.

Flying over the mountains, it was clear from the faces of bare rock and the lack of snow in many areas how mild a winter it has been and how unstable the slopes are.

"We were dropping dynamite a few days ago to create slides and make it safer for skiing in another area," helicopter pilot Monte Oatman explained.

"You have a two-minute fuse but this year the

A chain of avalanches has now left 12 dead and one missing within the last five weeks in Alberta and B.C. Four Calgary teens perished in a late November slide near the Fortress ski area west of Calgary.

In the accident which caused the most deaths this weekend - 60 kilometres northeast of Nelson, B.C. at Woodbury Glacier - five back-country skiers are dead and one is still missing after a Friday slide.

Const. Jay Arnold said Kootenay Glacier Mountaineering flew seven people into a cabin by helicopter on Dec. 27 for a week's skiing. A woman working as manager of the cabin reported that six skiers hadn't returned on Friday evening. One skier remained in the cabin Friday, but was evacuated with the manager Saturday.

Resort owner Terry Jones said one of the victims was a Vancouver doctor. He said another of the victims was from North Vancouver.

Five of the bodies were spotted by a helicopter crew who were unable to recover them because of severe weather conditions.

Recovery efforts were once again called off on Sunday because of high winds, blowing snow and high potential for further avalanches. Clear conditions were forecast for this morning.

The dead and missing in that incident have not been named by authorities.

In a second tragedy, Murray Gray Perin, 37, of Medicine Hat, died when he and three other snowmobilers were caught in an avalanche in the Sparwood area.

slides were being triggered by the impact of the stick, you didn't have to wait for the explosion."

The tragedy at the Woodbury Glacier was reported at 6:30 p.m. Saturday by a seventh person who was in the skiers' party but who stayed at the Silver Spray Cabin they were using as a base.

The cabin, located at about 7,800 feet, is one of several public cabins in Kokanee Glacier Park, about 60 kilometres northeast of Nelson.

When the skiers failed to return to the seventh person called police.

The slide occurred less than a mile from the cabin and was described by Arnold as a thunderous wall of snow a kilometer long that bulldozed down a 2,000-foot vertical drop plowing aside everything in its path.

It was too dark for rescuers to reach the isolated valley Saturday night so they headed out early Sunday morning.

So far, police have been unable to talk with the person who reported the mishap, Arnold said.

He would not identify the survivor.

The party had been taken into the area Dec. 27 by Kokanee Glacier Mountaineering, a Nelson company that helps skiers tackle remote cross-country ski areas.

Arnold said police were not releasing the names of the dead until the bodies can be recovered and their families notified.

And in New Denver, about 50 kilometres northwest of Kaslo, searchers recovered the bodies of two skiers killed in an avalanche on Mount Alwyn on Friday. Police had earlier identified them as snowmobilers.

Kevin Alexander Jewitt, 27, and Simon Horton Lewis, 26, of Lemon Creek in the Slocan Valley in southeastern B.C. were killed when an avalanche came down on them after they skied to the bottom of a mountain bowl.

Their six companions skied after them and immediately dug them out, but the men were dead, said Const. Wally Beatty of New Denver RCMP. They were all experienced back-country skiers and were wearing location transceivers.

Beatty wouldn't comment on whether the skiers should have been on the mountain.

"The coroner will be making an investigation as to the snow conditions and the hazards at the time of the accident so I can't really comment," he said.

Jewitt's brother Greg said skiing was his brother's passion.

"They went out doing something they loved, with smiles on their faces. They went out at the bottom, not at the top. They got those last turns in," he said.

The Avalanche Centre's Dennis urged skiers to enjoy the new snow within bounds at lift-serviced downhill ski runs, where patrols constantly scrutinize slopes for dangerous situations and fix problems where possible.

After a generally slow start to winter widely attributed to the El Nino weather pattern, three significant weather events since Dec. 21 in the Rockies and interior B.C. have produced the current avalanche situation, rated high or level four on a five-stage scale of increasing danger.

A weak mountain snowpack was topped by between 30 centimetres and a metre of snow - then a dramatic warming with rain in some areas followed.

The final stage, said Dennis, included an influx of frigid Arctic air and strong north winds.

The sequence of events created conditions in which top layers of snow can easily slide off bottom layers.



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Hopefully it's time for a new, 'doing-a-decent-job' mantra

Making a new you for the new millenium

By Frances Bula
SOUTHAM NEWS
VANCOUVER

You don't have a moment to lose - this is the time to start planning your new millennium self.

After all, two years from now, you will wake up on New Year's Day morning with the whole world expecting that you have worked out your strategy for doing whatever it is you do in a new, millennial way.

New-millennium policing. New-millennium teaching. New-millennium pasta-making. New-millennium oil-changing. New-millennium political leadership.

You doubt and hesitate? Let me assure you that others have already begun their quest. I cite only a few recent news stories.

Eleni Quistini, the founder of one of Canada's first pasta companies, has already formulated her 10-year business plan so that her company can compete in the new millennium. (I have no idea what that might entail, but since she's already experimented with squid-ink and chocolate pasta, it's safe to assume she will go beyond even those pioneer frontiers.)

The Jamaican Labor party is looking for a leader prepared for the new millennium.

The Peel Regional police's new senior officers have been chosen for their "superior competencies and skills that will help lead us into the new millennium."

There are two ways to look at these heightened levels of expectation.



One is that this is an energizing and optimistic battery boost for the human race, one that will inspire many to reassess their lives, rededicate themselves to their chosen voca-

tional passions, and think outside the box to come up with innovative solutions to increasingly complex problems.

The other possible perspective is that this is just the disease of the '80s and '90s, dressed up in new vocabulary.

You know which disease I'm talking about. To steal a phrase I read somewhere on the Internet, one whose aptness deserves a reward: "conspicuous competence."

When any hoser can buy a big house and a Mercedes, the social hierarchy has to get established in different ways.

That creepy dynamic has driven people to emulate Martha Stewart's 18-hour Victorian gingerbread-house-building project. Or to buy daytimers for their pre-adolescents. Or to turn their daily lives into a long series of multi-tasking performances: Studying Spanish on tape while driving the children to school, watching the evening news while reading John Ralston Saul, talking on the telephone while working on their taxes.

At the corporate and institutional level, of course, the dreaded catchword is "excellence."

Unfortunately, little of this has anything to do with making the world a better place. It mostly has to do with offering public proof to some judgmental person assumed to be watching (and to your own judgmental self) that you are a truly exemplary, superlative, even transcendent mother, employee, entrepreneur, dinner-party maker, lawyer, fly fisherman, and home renovator.

I could be wrong.

When people actually start getting around to defining the details of what it means to lead, police or run businesses in the new millennium, perhaps it won't be just another version of "Seven Strategies for Highly Effective Millennialists."

It could just be that the new millennium will produce a U-turn, where conspicuous excellence is jettisoned and inconspicuous doing-a-decent-job-day-after-day is embraced.

We can always hope.

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The Sports Record

YOUNG DYNAMOS TAKE THE CUP



MICHAEL DARDY/CORRESPONDENT

Members of the Moscow Dynamos celebrate with the championship cup after beating the Milles Isles Seigneurs 4-2 in front of 1,700 fans to win the AAA division of the 16th edition of the Sherbrooke International Bantam Tournament. Seigneurs goalie Charlene Labonté was the first female netminder to play in an AAA finals game. In the Dec. 31 All-Star game, the Midget AAA All-Stars beat out the tournament All-Stars 11-2. Matthew Lombarde was chosen player of the game after taking a hat-trick. In other tournament action, the Drummondville Senators beat the Drakkars of St. Laurent 5-1 to win the international division. The Lac Megantic Optimists took the CC division final, beating the Saint-Éphrem-de-Beauce Faucons 5-3, and Rive Sud beat Richelieu 3-1 to win the AA final. Sixty-eight teams took part in the successful tournament, filling 1,500 hotel beds and eating 7,000 meals. Record Correspondent Michael Innes will have coverage of the final games in Tuesday's paper.

Finns win junior hockey championships at home

By Michael Ulmer
SOUTHAM NEWS
HELSINKI, FINLAND

Suomi, how they love you, how they love you. The Finns provided a perfect finish to the World Junior Hockey Championships Saturday by beating the Russians 2-1 in overtime on a goal by Niklas Hagman. A sellout

crowd of at the 13,655-seat Hartwall Arena included the Finnish prime minister. Suomi, pronounced SOO-OH-MAY, is the Finnish word for Finland.

The victory came 20 years after Finland won a momentous European junior championship in overtime against Russia on a goal by Jari Kurri, now a Colorado Avalanche.

Finland was awarded its only other world junior championship in 1987 after Canada and the U.S.S.R. were each suspended from the tournament after a punch-up in the gold medal game.

Finnish coach Hannu Kapanen said the tournament-opening 3-2 victory over Canada gave his team the kickstart it needed. The Fins went 6-0-1 through-

out the tournament.

"Nobody here in Finland picked us to win this and we kind of saved the World Tournament by beating Canada in the first game," Hagman said. "That gave us a great deal of confidence."

The Russians (5-1-1), who beat Canada 2-1 in the medal-round quarter final,

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THE SPORTS RECORD

Canadian Juniors lose tournament and their dignity

Scenes from the death of a junior hockey dynasty

By Michael Ulmer
SOUTHAM NEWS
HELSINKI, FINLAND

Canada lost its final game at the World Junior Hockey Championship Saturday, 6-3 to Kazakhstan, to finish eighth in the 10-team tournament.

Here are a few snapshots from the death of a junior hockey dynasty.

Pulled after surrendering his fourth goal, Canadian netminder Mathieu Garon smashes his stick at the bench.

It's a standard procedure. Sticks with slight cracks or those out of favor with their owners are destroyed so they can't be measured by opponents and found to be illegal. Sometimes, players just break them, as Garon did, out of anger.

A few feet away, the Kazaks' back-up goalie stares, astonished.

Vjatcheslav Bulanov would never dream of smashing his stick, they are far too valuable. In the chaos that is daily life in the old Soviet Block, an equipment manufacturer backed out of a sponsorship pledge of new equipment and 150 sticks. The Kazaks had to hustle to find 50 sticks when they arrived in Helsinki. Their old equipment, a hodgepodge of helmets and duct-taped gloves brought just in case, was pressed into

service.

The great distance and expense involved in importing players from around the country means that all but two Kazaks are from the city of Kamenogorsk where, what passes for the national hockey program, is based.

The Kazaks, who were promoted from the B pool for this tournament, are in reality a club team. They have no players who have been drafted by NHL teams. By comparison, all but four Canadians are the property of NHL teams and four, Josh Holden, Zenith Komarniski, Steve Begin and Jason Ward, have signed NHL contracts.

And yet it is the Kazaks who skate better, shoot better, pass better. The hockey colossus, as fat and privileged as Kazakhstan is poor and challenged, is stumbling and falling right in front of them. All they have to do is step out of the way.

Canadian defenceman Zenith Komarniski extends his tournament-long string of spectacularly selfish penalties by high sticking a Kazak after their fourth goal. His poor judgment has been unmistakable through the tournament, never more so than when he made a bad pinch that led to the Russians' winning goal in the tournament

quarter finals.

But his contract with Calgary means Komarniski is assured a rich livelihood, there is no financial gain in controlling his emotions. The Canadians kill off the high-sticking penalty. Undeterred, Komarniski takes another one.

Holden, one of the three players benched Friday for repeated tardiness for team functions, scores a power-play goal and begins the ritual high-five of the bench that comes after every goal.

But Canada is down 4-1 and the team's assistant coaches tell Holden to get back to centre and quit showboating.

Holden skates to centre, the puck goes into the Kazak zone and seconds later Holden scores again. Astonishingly, he returns to the bench for more high fives. The coaches tell him to go back to centre.

Holden then checks a Kazak from behind and takes a minor penalty. The Kazaks score on the power play. The game is over. Holden has a three-year, \$2.6-million contract with the Vancouver Canucks. With no glory game in the medal round, there is no reason to play well here.

After the game, he will cite a team-wide lack of discipline as the reasons

the Canadians lost, never once mentioning himself.

Canada scores with three seconds left on a goal mouth scramble. Both Daniel Tkaczuk, who is scoreless through the tournament and Brian Willsie could be credited with the goal. Czech referee Petr Bolina asks Tkaczuk who scored. Tkaczuk, projected as the character type of player who would lead Canada, points to himself.

Canadian director of scouting Barry Trap is talking about how Canada had hoped to use 17-year-old Vincent Lecavalier as a spare part at the tournament.

"We eventually thought he would be our extra forward with Joe Thornton and Boyd Devereaux and Josh (Holden) being our other three guys."

But Thornton's huge contract meant he had to stay with Boston, and Edmonton refused to release Devereaux, preferring instead to continue his tour of NHL press boxes. The players aren't the only ones who have quit on the national team program, and the ripple of big money extends all the way to Finland.

Jesse Wallin, a 19-year-old Canadian defenceman is near tears as he describes the attitude of most of his teammates.

Wallin, the Canadian captain, broke

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Canadians had their worst ever tournament

Championships:

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finished with silver. The bronze medal went to the surprise team of the tournament, Switzerland.

The Swiss finished the tournament 4-2-1 and beat the Czechs 4-3 in a shootout to claim the bronze. Goalie David Aebischer, the tourney's first

team all-star netminder, blanked the Czechs on four shots in the shootout. Aebischer is a draft choice of the Colorado Avalanche.

The Czechs (3-3-1) finished fourth, followed by the USA which beat Sweden 4-3 to push their record to 4-3 and finish fifth.

Under the relegation system, a team can finish behind another despite a better record.

Rounding out the second division were the disappointing Swedes (3-4), Kazakhstan (2-5), Canada (2-5), Slovakia (3-3) and Germany (0-6). The Germans, who Canada struggled to beat 2-0, were relegated.

Two undrafted players, Swedish defenceman Pierre Hedin and Russian rearguard Andrei Markov were named the first

all-star defenceman of the tournament while Finnish Centre Oli Jokinen, a Los Angeles Kings draft, was voted the first all-star centre. Finnish rightwinger Eero Somervuori and Anaheim draftee Maxim Balmochnykh of Russia rounded out the first team selection.

Finnish netminder Mika Noronen (a Buffalo draft), Czech defenceman Pavel Skrbek (Pittsburgh), Finnish rearguard Pasi Petrilainen (New Jersey), Russian centre Oleg Kvasha (Florida), Swiss rightwinger Michael Riesen (Edmonton) and Finnish leftwinger Timo Vatala (Montreal) made the second team.

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How bad was this championship for Canada?

Canada's 13 goals was its lowest total since 1978, when Wayne Gretzky scored eight of the team's 13 goals. But Canada played seven games in this tournament, the 1978 team only three.

Canada lost five games for the first time, the previous high was three, achieved in 1992. Other than that tournament, the most Canadian losses were two.

Canada did not place a player in the tournament's top 34 scorers. Josh Holden of the Regina Pats led Canada with four goals and no assists.

Halifax Mooseheads leftwinger Alex Tanguay and Dan Tkaczuk of the Barrie Colts finished with two goals. Kelowna Rockets rightwinger Brett McLean, Kingston Frontenacs rightwinger Matt Bradley, Windsor Spitfires leftwinger Matt Cooke and Erie Otters rightwinger Jason Ward also scored.

Vincent Lecavalier, projected as the first pick in the 1998 draft, finished with a goal and an assist in seven games.

Hockey Canada president Bob Nicholson said the disastrous tournament showing would prompt the kind of major reevaluation of the elite program that came with Canada's last tournament loss in 1992.

"It's a wake-up call for all of hockey in Canada. We've got to start working on our skill level at the younger ages."

Canada coach Real Paient, though, is cautious about too much drastic change in light of Helsinki.

"We won five in a row, seven out of eight," Paient said. "When we lose five in a row, maybe then we should change our standards."

Paient will not coach the team next year but said he wants to be involved with the program in the future. For each of the last 11 years Hockey Canada has used a rotating system and selected a new coach for each tournament.

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Excessive early-season polling causes injury

Thumb tendons vulnerable in X-C ski racing

The arrival of abundant early snow has given local Nordic skiing a boost. Trails are in mid-season form and the racing schedule begins this month in both the Townships and the Laurentians.

Mount Orford and Mount Sutton offer plenty of vertical excitement while other centres have plenty of well-groomed classical and skating trails.

With the sudden increase in activity, Nordic skiers are subject to several training problems not the least of which is a painful condition of the thumb side of the wrist called De Quervain's Tenosynovitis.

The problem seems to occur most often among racers who consistently reach for extra glide distance by planting the pole well ahead of the ski. A sharp flick of the wrist is required to pull the pole forward and then shoot the tip out ahead of the gliding ski. This action seems to be more at fault

than the subsequent push against the hand grip. During the forward flick of the wrist, two tendons are responsible for the extension and abduction of the thumb that leads the wrist movement. These are known as the extensor pollicis brevis and the abductor pollicis longus. Because of the custom of looping the pole strap around the wrist, the movement of the thumb is not constrained by a need to hang onto the grip and is often exaggerated, moving beyond the grip itself with each stroke.

Speed and force combine to place excessive stress on these tendons and they sometimes become inflamed by the friction of movement against their surrounding sheaths. There is swelling, local pain, and tenderness. A painful squeak may occur with movement of the thumb. The problem worsens with continued effort as the tendon sheaths become thicker, hard-

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ened and prominent over the inflamed segments.

In the early stages, the best treatment consists of complete rest of the region. Some skiers have found that this can be satisfactorily accomplished by changing the length of the stroke and diminishing the relative importance of polling. Complete remission can be expected in three to five days if the skier compulsively avoids further injury. Generally this does not happen and the condition progresses to a more chronic stage with development of a hard bump at the site of tenderness. At this point, it is worth attempting a single cortisone injection near, but not into, the affected tendons. About half will recover and the other half will require a simple surgical release of the tendon sheath to cure the problem.

As with most overuse injuries, the best approach is prevention. Gradually

increasing loads and plenty of rest built into the training routine will allow for gradual adaptation of the wrists to the increased stress of X-C skiing. Warm up exercises consisting of range of motion for the wrist and thumbs can be combined with stretching of the related muscles. Avoiding the extra long racing stroke may lose an early race but will permit some fine efforts later on in the season.

Coming Events

Feb. 7 and 8: 32nd Canadian Cross-Country Ski Marathon, 170k, 6 a.m. & 8 a.m., Gatineau to Lachute, Qc., CSM, PO Box 400, Gatineau Qc., J8P 6T9, \$111-\$170, (514) 722-2551, fax (514) 772-8149, or (819) 669-7383, fax (819) 669-0826, email csm.mcs@sympatico.ca

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Nike is not amused

\$100 running shoes no better than cheapies - study

By Yvonne Zacharias
SOUTHAM NEWS
MONTREAL

Who would have thought that something as sweaty and pedestrian as a running shoe could kick up such an international fuss?

From New Zealand to Ireland to the United States, the question is this: Are Nikes and Reeboks really better than cheap no-name sneakers?

McGill University researcher Dr. Steven Robbins says they aren't. In fact, he and fellow researcher Edward Waked claim that they cause more injuries because they lull their wearers into believing that their feet are ensconced in Cadillac footwear.

Their findings have raised the dust everywhere since they were published this month in the British Journal of Sports Medicine.

The journal tipped off the news media in Britain and told callers how to find the researchers at the Montreal university. Results were as swift and sure as a slick salesman's promises.

Robbins has been called by reporters around the world and praised by a public

that is tired of forking over \$100 just to keep the kids in respectable play gear. He's had messages from Australia to the United Kingdom complaining of feeling ripped in the Achilles tendon and ripped off.

Not surprisingly, Nike has been much less effusive in its response to the study. Company spokesman Roy Agostino said in a telephone interview from Nike headquarters in Beaverton, Ore., that it had a fairly small scope and didn't test the performance benefits of individual running shoes. "It doesn't hold up at all."

What can you expect? Robbins asked. "This paper was reviewed by three independent reviewers. It was further sent out to people who are experts in advertising. This cannot be equated with opinion expressed by a person with a vested interest like a running-shoe company."

The study by Robbins and Waked wasn't the first to stumble onto the possibility that there is no difference in quality between a \$35 and a \$100 pair of running shoes.

The Montreal researchers picked up on a Swiss study in 1987 of 5,000 runners that showed the incidence of injury in the most expensive shoes was 123 per cent

greater than in the least expensive shoes.

The problem, for Robbins, was that the young Swiss researcher couldn't explain his findings.

Robbins obtained the original questionnaire and studies, all in German, and found that they were as well-grounded as a solid shoe.

He and Waked set out to find the reason for the startling result. They rounded up 15 able-bodied young men and had them huff and puff on three exercise platforms equipped with devices to measure how hard they were landing.

The study subjects were told the first platform was cushioned with high-tech material similar to that used in expensive shoes and endorsed by elite athletes. They were told the second was cushioned with poor-quality material with a high injury rate and the third was of unknown quality. In reality, all three had an identical inch (2.5 centimetres) of common shoe-sole material.

Yet the impact was, on average, 11 per cent higher for the cushy surface than for the other two.

This has led him to conclude that the problem lies not much in the shoe but in the claims made about it.

"These products are deceptively advertised as offering a high level of protection. That might make the user less cautious and make him land harder."

But Agostino asked: "With 15 people jumping off a platform, is there real learning or insight here?"

He said Nike spends \$73 million a year on research, working with athletes like basketball great Michael Jordan. "There is no greater way to get insight than to work with those athletes."

Robbins has gained his insight in other ways - from his patients who seem to have greater injuries from expensive running shoes, from his own experience as a runner and from playing soccer with his four children.

When buying shoes for himself, he looks for comfort and bargains. At first, his children argued over the use of these criteria in selecting their shoes.

"It's very hard to fight against your kids wanting a status symbol." But he felt it was his duty as a parent.

Now, "they don't argue with me any more. I think they know Daddy's an expert in running shoes."

As for the public, "I know that it has been duped for ages."

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NHL scouts choose who will play in the big leagues

Searching for the next Great One

Michael Ulmer
SOUTHAM NEWS
HELSINKI, FINLAND

You don't notice them unless you look for them — men, usually middle-aged in casual clothes, notepads open but sometimes not, high in the corners of the rink at the World Junior Hockey Championships.

They are professional scouts, judge and jury for who will get the chance to play in the NHL. Each big-league team has three or four, perhaps more, at the tournament. The World Juniors is the high point of the hockey calendar for scouts and one of the fundamental measuring sticks for prospects.

"You're not here to make a decision," said Nick Polano, a former coach of the Detroit Red Wings who works as the director of player development for the Calgary Flames. "You're here to identify players, to make sure no one has been left out. There's time later to watch the player in whatever league he is in."

Scoring totals are of little interest to these talent assessors, the players who

rack up points at the tournament are usually 19 years old and already drafted. Since the older, mature players routinely feed off the younger ones, the results of the tournament are a poor barometer of who will thrive in the NHL, where there are no boys among the men.

The high-profile, draft-eligible prospects — Canada's Vincent Lecavalier and David Legwand of the United States — have already been thoroughly scouted. Erratic icetime, Lecavalier sat out the second half of Canada's last game, Legwand has been benched frequently in the tournament, means scouts draw only limited conclusions from the tournament.

Assuming they can choose their seat, where a scout parks is often an indication of the position of the prospect he is studying. Scouts devoting a night to a goalie or defenceman sit on the goal line or behind it, at least eight or 10 rows up for a better vantage point and at the end the prospect defends twice.

The ideal hockey scout has a dependable and cast-iron gut, visionary instincts and lips of 100-per-cent Velcro. Scouts constantly travel in the same circles, they share the same planes, restaurants and hotels, and gossip. That's why it's better to be a mediocre scout who keeps his information private than a gifted chatty one.

"It's a skill to be in the company of other scouts and not share your information," Polano said, "a vital skill. You are basing your decision on players, whose average salary is \$1 million, largely on what your scouts tell you."

Different organizations bring different philosophies. Florida Panthers scout Mike Abbamont said he will give a failing grade to even a prospect who can make the NHL.

"We base our criteria on who has the potential to be a good player on a good team. Is he going to be a regular with us, not can he play in the league?"

The first thing a scout sees is size. "If he's 5-foot-8 and he isn't Paul Kariya, that player probably isn't going to

make the list," said Florida scout Tim Murray.

Players are graded for the obvious skills: passing, shot, physical play, skating, hockey sense. Florida, like many organizations, grades other people's draft choices almost as carefully as their own for background material in evaluating a future trade.

Virtually all scouts will agree on the ability of a player. Where there is wide divergence in opinions is in forecasting a player's future.

"It's all projections," said Polano. "Anyone can judge a 20-year-old, they're almost the finished product."

"But you can never have enough information when you're dealing with a 17-year-old. Will he grow, will he get stronger? You've got to use every possible method to reach a conclusion. How big are his parents? What do his midget and bantam coaches think? In this business, if you hit on half of your choices and they're playing in the NHL say five years from now, you've had a spectacular draft."

'Not everybody checked their ego at the door'

Dynasty:

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 12

his foot midway through the tournament and the hole in leadership his injury created was never filled, despite honest efforts from forwards Matt Cooke and Brett McLean and Begin.

"A lot of guys, on their own team,

they're the top dog, the go-to guy, the guy everyone talks about," Wallin said. "When they come here, they're not like that and they can't be like that because guys on this team have to fill a role. But, not everybody checked their ego at the door like they have to do."

After the game, Tkaczuk speaks in a tired monotone of the frustration he

purports to feel.

"You lose a heartbreaker to the Russians, you know, there's no way we should have finished the tournament that way. It's a kick in the teeth," he says idly. "We didn't show enough character."

Canadian coach Real Paement is contemplating what awaits him at home.

With five losses, this is the worst Canadian showing ever and the last losing Canadian coach, Rick Cornacchia, was heckled on streetcorners and rinks across Canada. It is going to be a miserable winter and Paement knows it.

"I think," he smiles weakly, "I'll have a bulletproof vest waiting for me in Toronto."

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Death

BALDWIN, Lloyd (Buster) — At the Hotel Dieu Hospital, Sherbrooke, Que., on Sunday, Jan. 4, 1998, Lloyd Baldwin his 73rd year, beloved husband of the late Eulah Wells and the late Michelle Tiernan. Dear father of the late Allan Baldwin. Predeceased by his brothers Ronald, James and Malcolm. Dear brother-in-law of Jessie Shaughnessy, Earl (Margaret) Wells, Russell (June) Wells, late Cecil (Frances) Wells, late Stewart Wells, late Pearl (late Stewart) Thomas, Peter Andrew, Louise and Helen Tiernan. Also survived by his mother-in-law Madeleine Garipey, as well as nieces, nephews and other relatives. Resting at Cass Funeral Home, 6 Belvidere St., Lennoxville, Que., where friends may call on Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m., and where funeral service will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1998 at 10 a.m., followed by interment in Mount Royal Cemetery. Rev. Blake Walker officiating. As memorial tributes, donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated.

In Memoriam

HODGE, Graydon - In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather who passed away January 4, 1995.

It isn't what we write
It isn't what we say
It isn't what we feel inside our hearts
As we think of you today.
We never ask for miracles,
But today just one would do
To have the door open
And see you come walking through.
With love

LAUREL (wife)
SUSAN (daughter)
KYLE (grandson)

STATTON - In loving memory of my dear wife Ruby, who God called home January 3, 1997. Also remembering Dad, Walter January 8, 1997 and Mom, Lillian December 26, 1958.

Human hands had tried to save them.
Sighs and tears were all in vain,
Loving angels came and bore them
From this weary world of pain.
Sadness lingers in my dwelling,
Lonely is my heart today,
For the ones I loved so dearly,
Have forever passed away.
Always remembered by

LIONEL

STATTON, Ruby - January 3, 1997

Mother: M is for the millions of things she gave us.

O means never getting old.
T is for the tears she shed to save us.
H is for her heart of purest gold.
E is for her eyes with love light shining.
R means right and right she'll always be.
Put them all together, they spell Mother,
a word that means the world to us.

STATTON, Ruby - January 3, 1997

Nan: N is for never ending love she gave us.

A is for always she was there.
N means that we never will forget our Nan.

Love always

CHRIS & CHARLIE

Death



BEAULIEU, Patrice — At the C.U.S.E. Fleurimont site on Friday, January 2, 1998, Patrice Beaulieu at the age of 73. Husband of Yola Doucet of Rock Forest. Survived by his daughters Christine (Jacques Beaucher), Suzanne (Mario Beaucher), Céline (Jacques Noel), Anne-Marie (Charles Sylvestre), his grandchildren Benoit, Patrick, David, Vincent, Céline, Francis, Joanie and Rachel, his brothers and sisters, Gabriel (Rolande Beaudin), Valier (ptr), Renée (Francois Brien), Henriette (Yvon Sirois), Ange-Aimée (Douglas Bland), the late Constant (Laurette Drouin) and Cécile (Léon Charbonnier), his brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Robert (Raymonde Roy), Normand, Anita, Roger (Gracia Ouellet) and Pauline (Gerry McDuff), as well as many nephews, nieces and friends. Resting at Coopérative Funéraire de l'Estrie, 526 Prospect, Sherbrooke, Que., Louise Lanctot, Dir. Gen., tel.: 565-7646, fax: 565-7844. Visitation on Tuesday, January 6 from 10 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Funeral service on Tuesday, January 6, 1998 at 2 p.m. at St-Rock Church, Rock Forest. The family invites you to give donations in memory of Patrice to the CUSE Foundation, Fleurimont, in recognition of the good care given to Patrice during his stay at the hospital.

Card of Thanks

GILBERT - We wish to express our sincere thanks to our family and friends who sent cards, letters of sympathy, floral tributes and charitable donations at the time of the death of our mother and sister, Verda Waldron Gilbert. Thank you also for your kind visits to our homes and the funeral parlour, for attending the funeral, for phone calls and for sending food. Thanks to Justin Lowry for his comforting words at the service, Wendy Hughes and Phyllis Smith for the music and the U.C.W. for providing a lovely lunch. A special thanks to the East Clifton and Sawyerville Communities for the kindness and support given to Verda, Lucius and their children over the many years of her lengthy illness.

LOIS AND JACK GARNEAU
GERALD AND GLORIA RAYMOND
MARY AND KEITH PERREAULT
AUDREY BAIN AND FAMILY

Deaths

GEORGE, Ruth Evelyn Wilsey — Peacefully at her home on Thursday, January 1, 1998, Ruth Evelyn, in her 79th year, beloved wife of the late John George and dear mother of Margaret 'Peggy' (Stanley Fearon), Kathleen (Robert Dalton), Robert, Gordon (Patty) and Walter. Loving sister of Ethel Brown (Belleville) and dear sister-in-law of Lana Lunnie of Waterville. Also survived by five grandchildren, one great-grandchild and many nephews and nieces. Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, January 6, 1998 at the Plymouth Trinity United Church at 11 a.m., the Rev. Jane Aikman officiating, followed by interment at the Elmwood Cemetery. Please note: There will be no visitation. The family will be at the Plymouth Trinity United Church Hall, 380 Dufferin St., Sherbrooke, one hour prior to the service to receive condolences from family and friends. As a memorial tribute donations to the Quebec Heart and Stroke Foundation, 2630 King W. Suite 150, Sherbrooke, Que. J1J 2H1, would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Steve L. Elkas Funeral Home, 601 Conseil St., Sherbrooke, tel: 565-1155, fax: 820-8872.

GIRARD, Laurent — Suddenly at his residence in Magog, Que., on Sunday, January 4, 1998 in his 82nd year. Beloved husband of Georgette Beaudry. Dear father of Micheline (Normand), Andree (Gary) and Claude (Claire). Cherished grandfather of Suzanne, Claudine, Christine and Jacinthe. Cremation. No visitation. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday at St. Patrick's Church, Merry St., Magog, Que. The family will receive condolences from 1:30 to 2 p.m. Following the service a reception will be held in the church basement. As memorial tributes donations to the Quebec Heart Foundation, 2630 King W., Sherbrooke, Que. J1J 2H1 would be appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Ledoux Funeral Home, Magog.

PARROW, Sharon — Suddenly on Monday, December 29 in Colebrook, N.H., in her 45th year. Daughter of Bertram Bolton and Alta Bryan-Clark. Mother of Robert and Dale and sister of Delma (Richard Fowler), William (Dianna), Clyde (Debbie), Marilyn (Jocelyn Hébert), Donald, Sheila (Malcolm Roy) and Carl (June). The funeral was held at the Hereford Anglican Church on Friday, Jan. 2.

In Memoriam

MCCONNELL - In memory of Alice and Philip McConnell, who passed away December 29, 1987 and December 23, 1992. A void remains

BURTON, RAYMOND, CHESTER AND FAMILIES

STATTON - In loving memory of grandfather Walter, who passed away January 8, 1997. Always remembered

PAULETTE & RODNEY (granddaughter)
MARK & MARY-JOSEE (great grandson)

Deaths

TAYLOR, George W. — At his residence in Richmond, Thursday, Jan. 1, 1998, Mr. George Taylor, in his 85th year. Dear husband and friend of 59 years together with Doris Davidson. Father of Wanda (Dwight) Findlay of Richmond. Brother of Doris (Carl) Lawrence, St. Johnsbury, Vt. Dear grandfather of Tara and Jace Findlay, Michael Pariseau, Darlene (Tony) Coddington and David Pariseau. He is also survived by nieces, nephews and great-grandchildren. Visitation was held on Sunday. Funeral service on Monday, Jan. 5, 1998 at the funeral home at 2 p.m. Doors will open at 11 a.m. Officiated by the Rev. Rodney Clark. Funeral service will be held at Salon Funéraire Yves Houle et Frère, 198 Adam St., Richmond, Que., Pauline Fecteau, Dir., tel.: 1-819-826-3747, then to Maple Grove Cemetery's vault. The interment will be held in spring time in St. Andrew's Cemetery, Upper Melbourne. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. James Anglican Church, Memorial Fund, c/o Rodney Duffy, 144-12th Range W., South Durham, Que. J0H 2C0, or a charity of your choice, would be appreciated. Mr. George W. Taylor had been a funeral director in Richmond and vicinity for many years.

ZAKO, Sophie Anto — At the Sherbrooke University Geriatric Institute (Argyll Pavilion) on Thursday, Jan. 1, 1998. Sophie Zako in her 92nd year, beloved wife of the late Albert Zako and dear mother of Gabriel (Louise Beaulieu). Loving aunt to Georgette Abdalla-Gagnon (the late Maurice), Edmond Abdalla (Rose Morad) and their children of Sherbrooke, Norma Abdalla (Sherbrooke), William Abdalla (Virginia Mansour) and their children of Montreal, George Abdalla (Lucy Pouliot) of Sherbrooke, and the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hanna Zako of Montreal, as well as many other friends and relatives. Funeral service will be held at the St-Ephrem Church (13th Ave., Sherbrooke) on Monday, January 5, 1998 at 11 a.m., followed by interment at the Elmwood Cemetery. Please note: Visitation was held at the Steve L. Elkas Funeral Home, 601 Conseil St., Sherbrooke, tel: 565-1155, fax: 820-8872, on Saturday, Jan. 3, and Sunday, Jan. 4, 1998, and on day of the funeral from 9:30 a.m. until departure at 10:30 a.m. The family would like to thank all doctors and personnel of the Sherbrooke University Geriatric Institute for the professional care given to Mrs. Zako. In lieu of flowers donations to the St-Ephrem Church, 150 13th Ave., Sherbrooke, Que. J1E 2X7, or the Sherbrooke University Geriatric Institute (Argyll Pavilion), 375 Argyll, Sherbrooke, Que. J1J 3H5, would be appreciated.

In Memoriam

STATTON - In loving memory of mother Ruby, who passed away January 3, 1997. Always remembered

PAULETTE & RODNEY (daughter)
MARK & MARY-JOSEE (grandson)

Reader gives Ann her two cents' worth

Dear Ann Landers: Seldom do I disagree with you. However, on the matter



Your Birthday

Monday, Jan. 5, 1998

In the year ahead, you could be luckier than usual in career and commercial ventures. You might not get everything on your wish list, but you'll be rewarded appropriately for your labors.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) When shopping for household items today, don't loosen your grip on what you intend to spend. You can find what you want, even if you have to look a little harder. Major changes are ahead for Capricorn in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If your thinking is limited, you won't feel too encouraged about life today. Be bold mentally; only you can put restrictions on your anticipations.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Financial trends could be running in your favor today, so even if you have to contend with a bumpy road, you still should come out on the plus side.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) In order to solidify your ambitions today, it isn't essential to have a crowded corner. A few right people with clout is all it takes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your insights pertaining to career matters and issues could be revealing. However, if they aren't utilized properly, they won't do you much good.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today, figure out a way to help a friend who is going down the wrong track without broadcasting his or her woes to others. Discretion is essential.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Without being arrogant or argumentative, demand what you're due today. If you're firm, reasonable and persistent, you might get more than expected.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your most useful aid is your judgment. You should be able to see beyond your nose and view things not only as they are, but also as they could be.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You could be a trifle luckier than usual today in two specific areas. One pertains to your career, the other emphasizes joint endeavors.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Generally, Librans are better than most in one-on-one partnership arrangements. However, your independent operations could prove more beneficial today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Although you're creative, you might be involved today with people whose ideas are superior to yours at this time. Listen and learn.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today, you are what you think. If you feel lucky you probably will be. If you think you want to move a mountain, go home and get your shovel.

of suicide, I wish to put in my two cents' worth.

I am a woman, 51 years old, and I would love to know that the option for suicide is available when I am no longer fit to live the good life. If I had a terminal disease, I would like to get my affairs

in order and plan my final journey. It would not have to be a negative thing. I would view it as quite positive. To say goodbye and to plan one's own death would truly be a gift from God.

I would love to plan the time, the music, the guest list, what I wear and so on. Why would one not want to do this? It sure beats a surprise. And what if a sick person lingers for years? What about the expense and burden on the family? It could wipe them out.

Count me 100 percent in favor of suicide if one is terminal. You can worry about the "sin" part, Ann, and I'll worry about the pain and inconvenience. — An Independent Thinker in Houston

Dear Independent Thinker: The mail on this subject continues to be heated and heavy. The vast majority who wrote agreed with you. Keep reading for more on this highly controversial subject.

Dear Ann Landers: The idea that suicide is against the law or against someone's religion makes no sense to me. The underlying assumption is that the government, or some religious group, knows better than I do what is right for me. I don't believe it.

As one who has a family history of mental illness, kidney disease and cancer, I do not believe anyone has the right to tell me what I should do with my life. We Americans are more humane to our cats and dogs than we are to our terminally ill and elderly.

My grandfather suffered from cancer and spent his last eight months in a hospital bed until he weighed only 89 pounds and was too weak to cry. My fa-



ANN LANDERS

ther tried five times to kill himself before he died in a nursing home. At one point, my mother found him with a plastic bag over his head. She took it away and said, "We don't do that." He lived for several more miserable years, hating every minute of it. I can assure you that those years were as hard on the family as they were on him.

In my opinion, Dr. Kevorkian should be given a Congressional Medal of Honor, not jail time. — M.E.L. in Alexandria, Va.

Dear M.E.L.: A lot of people agree with you. Here's one more:

Dear Ann Landers: I am the executive director of the Hemlock Society. Recently, I was on the road speaking about the need to legalize physician aid in dying for mentally competent, terminally ill individuals who request it. Several people told me about the letters in your column from readers who felt strongly about the right to choose death with dignity.

The Hemlock Society has been advocating choice and dignity in dying for 17 years. Through our 80 chapters, we provide information about how to plan for a peaceful death, and we support and initiate efforts to change the law to permit this option.

People wanting to legalize and regulate death with dignity should join an advocacy group like the Hemlock Society and make their voices heard. For information, tell your readers to write The Hemlock Society USA, P.O. Box 101810, Denver, Colo. 80250-1810. — Faye Girsh, executive director

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Monday, Jan. 5, 1998

Who were they?

By Phillip Alder

It disappoints me when a bridge writer features great play or defense without naming the players. It is even worse when they are only 16. With names, we could look for them in the future. Still, that doesn't detract from the excellent defense found on this deal by two teen-agers from Krusevac, Yugoslavia.

I'm not keen on the bidding. Presumably, South's three-spade rebid was forcing (I must prefer to play it as invitational), but why didn't he pass over three no-trump? That contract would have cruised home.

At the other table in the match, South was also in four spades. West led his singleton diamond. Declarer won with dummy's queen to play a trump. East flew in with the ace, gave his partner a diamond ruff, got back in with the heart ace, and played another diamond. However, South ruffed high, drew trumps, played a heart to dummy's king, and threw his club losers on the diamond ace-king for plus 620 — no sweat!

At this table, though, teen-ager West led the heart jack: queen, ace, six. Teen-ager East switched to a low diamond. Again East won the first trump trick and gave his partner a diamond ruff. But now a heart return burnt up dummy's entry to the diamond winners before declarer had had a chance to denude West of trumps. Whatever declarer did now, he was doomed to finish two down.

Success at bridge often depends on timing. As Agesilaus, who lived from 444 to 400 B.C., pointed out: "It is circumstance and proper timing that give an action its character and make it either good or bad."

Guild meetings

On Nov. 19 All Saints Ladies Guild met in the church hall to prepare for the card party on the 21st. After tables were set and decorations put up in the Christmas theme we had a meeting. President Erma Ten Eyck called the meeting to order with the Lord's Prayer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Ada Tink be, secretary. Claire Hobbs, treasurer, gave the financial report which showed a satisfactory balance. It was moved by Claire Hobbs and seconded by Ruby Sherrer we given a donation to the Church funds.

Joan Patterson, Pat Doherty and Ada Tink be served us a delicious lunch including a birthday cake to honor Clair and Pat's birthdays. The meeting was adjourned by Ruby Sherrer.

The card party held Nov. 21 was well supported. 500 was played at 11 tables.

Door prize was won by Mary Boomhour. Bingo: Doreen Gibbs and Arthur Hall.

Ladies 1st, Donna Luce, Bernice Thomas, Helen McElroy, Teenie Symington, Violet Realff, Mabel Erno, Teddie

Ruiter. Men's: Ed Jenne, Donald Gardner, Arthur Hall.

The Guild would like to thank all who came to support us and patronized the sales table.

Claire Hobbs welcomed us to her home which was beautifully decorated for Christmas on Dec. 9 for our Guild meeting. At 12:30 we sat down to a delicious dinner. There were eight members, two honorary members and host Arthur Hobbs. After lunch Erma Ten Eyck called to order by all repeating the Lord's Prayer. Ada read the minutes of the November meeting which were approved. The treasurer's report showed a good balance. A report of the crafts sale showed a success again. Sunshine had a good balance also.

New business was planning a lunch after the church service on Dec. 21. The meeting was adjourned after all bills were moved to be paid, by Joan Patterson. Erma invited us to her home for our January 6 meeting which is our annual meeting, at 12 noon.

Ruby M. Sherrer

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: R equals K

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VAOAVAN.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "A pessimist is one who has been compelled to live with an optimist." — Elbert Hubbard.

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Golden Age Club meetings

KNOWLTON

The final meeting of the Knowlton Golden Age Club in 1997 met at the Community Centre on December 11. In the absence of the President, Vice President Jim Eaton welcomed everyone. An account of our Christmas party was read by the secretary, Ethel Marsh, and a report of the activities sponsored by the Club in 1997. This was seconded by Lillian Brown. Treasurer Phoebe Eaton gave an interim treasurer's report, with the full financial report for 1997 to be given later. Voneta Whitehead thanked the Club for a get-well card sent to her while she was in hospital.

Jim Eaton announced that 500 would be played at four tables and that the special prize would be for bidding and making 10 diamonds. This was won by Lil MacLellan and Arthur Fry. Winners for high score were: 1st, Jim Eaton, 4880; 2nd, Helen Campbell, 4300; 3rd, Lawrence Marsh, 4240; 4th, Arthur Fry, 4220, and 5th, Helen Ardington, 4210.

Elvia Johnson had made a delicious cherry cheesecake and candles were lit for people having birthdays in November and December. Elvia furnished Christmas serviettes and plates to give a special Christmas touch to our pot-luck lunch. While members were enjoying the pot-luck lunch and cheesecake the door prizes were given out.

Members then departed for home wishing each other a Merry Christmas and all the best in the New Year. The next meeting will be on Jan. 8, 1998 at 1:30 p.m. at the Community Centre.

MANSONVILLE

28 golden agers and one guest attended the meeting of Dec. 2 at the town hall.

Judy Gaboriault had prepared ham, baked potatoes, salad etc. for the club. Pickles were furnished by Huguette Levoy, tortiere by Mrs. L. Maranda, George Hamelin's johnny cake soon disappeared. Dessert was fruit cocktail. Alfred Vintinner brought the afternoon drink.

Huguette Levoy won the half and half of the day. 500 winners were Rita Marcoux, George Bailey, Julienne Mc-

Duff and Gerry Gaboriault. Door prizes were won by: Jacq. Maranda, Gerry Gaboriault, George Hamelin, Ida MacKay, Toni Lamothe, Lucy Perras, Merry Webb, Huguette Levoy, Raymond Smith, Bertha Smithers and Mildred Atyeo.

We met at the town hall on Tuesday, Dec. 9 for our dinner which was a huge macaroni and cheese casserole made by Judy Gaboriault. We had pickles, rolls, tossed salad etc., all furnished by the club. George Hamelin made a johnny cake and Alfred Vintinner supplied the afternoon drink.

We celebrated December birthdays today, these were Rita Marcoux and Alfred Vintinner. Rita Marcoux gave a Christmas fruitcake and Rita Mossa furnished a banana bread.

Thanks were expressed to all for their donations, door prizes, etc. Rita Marcoux presented Rita Mossa with a monetary gift and card signed by all present, thanking her for her efforts on behalf of the club. Rita thanked all for their kindness to her.

Door prizes: Lucy Perras, Raymond Smith, Rita Mossa, Verlie Aiken, George and Cecile Hamelin, Rita Marcoux, Mildred Atyeo, Huguette Levoy, Gerry Gaboriault, Louise Oliver, Dorothy Woodard and Toni Lamothe. 500 winners were Julienne McDuff and Gerry Gaboriault. Game winners were Mildred Atyeo, George Hamelin, Juliette Laliberté, Rita Mossa, Jackie Jersey, Verlie Aiken, Irene Carrier, Lucy Perras, Alfred Vintinner, Judy Gaboriault, and Rita Marcoux.

There will be no meeting on the 16th of December as the club is treating its regular members to a Christmas dinner at the Eastside Restaurant in Newport, Vt. Our first meeting of the New Year will be January 6, weather permitting, and our annual business meeting will be held at 11 a.m. on January 13 or 20th, depending on the weather.

Have a Happy Holiday Season, with plenty of Good Health in the upcoming New Year. The same wishes are wished for the Record staff with our thanks for all they do for us.

National
Defence

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

In July 1997, the Department of National Defence initiated a project to relocate its training area from Mc Bain Farm to the Lot 699, in the Saint-Élie d'Orford area.

In compliance with federal regulations, the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act was applied to this Defence department project from the initial planning phase onward in order to determine the environmental repercussions associated with this initiative.

This environmental exam concluded that the negative impacts of the project will be insignificant and can be reduced through the application of mitigation measures.

The department of National Defence wishes to inform the public, by this notice, of the results of the environmental assessment and also make available all documentation relative to the project. The public is invited to consult or comment on the project in the thirty days following publication of this notice. This documentation is available at the following location:

- City Hall (Clerk)

Comments and information requests regarding the environmental assessment should be addressed to the following person:

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Québec Area Environmental Officer
Headquarters - Land Force Québec Area
C.P. 11074
Succursale Centre-Ville
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The deposit of the 1998 collection roll for the general and special property taxes as well as the tax rates for water, sewer, household garbage and swimming pool is now completed and the tax bills will be mailed within the delay prescribed by law and according to By-Law no. 280.

The first instalment is payable on February 6th, 1998 and the second instalment is payable on July 3rd, 1998.

The bills less than 300,00\$ are payable in one instalment due on February 6th, 1998. The bills over 300,00\$ may be paid in two equal instalments at the above mentioned dates.

Given at Brome Lake
This 5th day of January 1998

Jean Bourret, B.Sc.
Treasurer

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6 Favorites
10 Roosevelt's dog
14 Teheran resident
15 Lotion ingredient, often
16 Trojan War hero
17 Shake
20 Misfortunes
21 Author Bagnold
22 Goat groups
23 Light touches

- 24 Track ticket
25 Lion, at times
29 Umbrellas
34 Bars between wheels
35 Incite
36 Classic Olds
37 Rattle
41 Fuss
42 "Lohengrin" lady
43 Temporary pattern of behavior
44 Counterattack

- 47 Amends maker
48 Can. province
49 Marine shockers
51 Cry to be heard
54 Gomer of Mayberry
55 Very dry
59 Roll
62 My goodness!
63 Precipitation
64 Drive forward
65 Tillis and Torme
66 The Charles' dog
67 Bullwinkle, e.g.

- 12 Animal fat
13 Chopping tools
18 Equipment
19 Flushing stadium
23 Chilean currency
24 Writer Harte
25 Detection device
26 Oxygen compound
27 Biographer of FDR
28 Cook bk. item
30 Taj Mahal site
31 Church instrument

- 54 Sch. orgs.
55 Bullets, briefly
56 "___ Man," Stanton film

- 57 Angry states
58 Broad valley
60 Gun lobby, briefly

- 61 Set sights

Thursday's Puzzle solved.

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2 Sea east of the Caspian
3 Actor Malden
4 Seth's son
5 Military address
6 Whitewash
7 "Shake, Rattle, and Roll"
8 Hammered on a slant
9 ___ of Galilee
10 Aspects
11 Open a bit
32 Tenancy period
33 Temperate
35 W. coast sch.
38 Set one inside another
39 Chooses
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By Diane C. Baldwin
Columbia, MD

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- 1 Outcast
7 Cul-de-sacs
15 Brooke Shields' favorite tennis player
16 Shout from the pews
17 Heep and others
18 Someone on the bridge
19 Jay, the comic
20 Local trees
22 Fit

- 23 London gardens
24 Long, narrow inlet
25 Conger's catch
26 Spoken imaginings
28 Mazda model
30 Whirlpool
31 Staged
33 Gentling word
35 Way out
36 Hit with a switch

- 40 "Hud" star
42 Greenery
43 Riddick, the heavyweight boxer
46 Gannet goose
48 Work units
49 First of a count
50 Org.
51 Pre-World Series abbr.
52 News bit
54 Throat prob.
56 "Those ___ the Days"
57 Washing
59 Even sillier
61 Ending follower
62 Admonition
63 Gets the fire going again
64 Bottomless pits

- 7 Veronica Lake movie, "The Blue ___"
8 Take up
9 ___ breve
10 Not dese or dose
11 "Born Free" lioness
12 Made insensitive
13 Touch-toned?
14 In a rational way
21 Crocus, for example
27 Play part
28 Flat-top hills
29 Home run number one
30 Singer Gorme
32 Either part of a fly?
34 Our sun
37 Love and others
38 Fountain drink
39 Cakes and pies
41 Missed the boat
42 Go up against
43 Kin of a furnace

- 44 Recorded
45 Bad beetle
47 Michaels and Greene

- 53 Niger's neighbor
54 Soft exhale
55 Printer's measure

- 56 Undulating
58 Dress, old-style
60 Collar like a cop

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Friday's Puzzle solved.

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By Willy A. Wiseman
New York, NY

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Megantic County Historical Society holds annual meeting

KINNEAR'S MILLS

The annual meeting of Megantic County Historical Society was held on October 23, at the Community Hall.

The blessing was asked by Sheila Allan, and 17 members and friends enjoyed a tasty hot meal served by the Kinnear's Mills ladies.

At 2 p.m. President Mildred Robinson called the meeting to order. She read a poem, "October" and extended a welcome to everyone. The minutes were read by Audrey Allan and declared correct.

The treasurer, Lois Marshall presented her report. A new shipment of videos are on hand, and may be bought from Margaret Dempsey, (418) 453-7744 or Lawrence Allan (418) 424-3252. A report was given on the cemeteries. All had

been cared for the past summer. A monetary donation was granted to the Methodist Cemetery, Maple Grove, and a bee will be organized in the spring.

Members and friends had enjoyed a trip to Townshippers' Day held at Waterloo, on September 13. In August John Allan had a color slide presentation of his tour to the eastern part of Australia,

which was very interesting and a social time followed. A very successful card party was held, with the funds going towards the upkeep of the Orphan Cemeteries.

Memorial Sunday was set for May 31, 1998, visiting the Presbyterian Cemetery (Inverness), returning to the I.O.O.F. hall for a social time. Membership was collected and we welcomed Ruth Beattie and John Allan as new members. Nominating Committee for 1998 was named by the President, Lawrence Allan, Margaret Cruikshank and

Pauline Nutbrown.

A card party will be held in the spring, and the next meeting will be held at Inverness. Being no further business, John Allan moved the meeting be adjourned. A cup of tea was enjoyed, before returning home.

Mrs. L. Allan

Successful year for Guild

LENNOXVILLE

Since the summer break, St. George's Parish Guild, Lennoxville has held four monthly meetings with the leadership of President Flora McBean.

We mourned the passing of Diana, Princess of Wales and Mother Teresa and were saddened by the death of longtime, faithful member Bernice Hewitt.

In October we enjoyed a demonstration of "Weekender" clothes by Ann Hains-Clark and in November Bob Hall showed a beautifully photographed video of a trip he and his wife had taken to Alaska, the Yukon and B.C.

As fund-raising events, we held a very successful rummage sale and the always popular military whist party. We also served refreshments during the annual quilt show which was very well attended. The fall supper, in cooperation with the other St. George's Guilds, was held in October with four sittings and a fine meal of turkey and assorted pies. Last, but not least, was the parish Christmas bazaar held on November 29. The public entered the hall to admire the 150th anniversary special St. George's decorations prepared by Margaret Owens.

Sales tables displayed knitted items, aprons, crafts, Christmas decorations, candy, hand-crafted woodwork, as well as commemorative articles, a guessing game and the ever popular bake table. Frances Whittle had received many generous donations, including gift certificates for her silent auction which drew a large

crowd of bidders. In the upper room, visitors could find good, used articles while the children enjoyed a corner of their own at special prices. In the lower hall, 18 tables were set for a tea of sandwiches, squares and Christmas cookies and those who were unable to take the stairs were invited to take tea in the choir room. Once again, Lew Hewitt displayed his model trains in the church, much to the enjoyment of the children and adults alike.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all those who have helped in any way by giving so generously of their time and skills as well as by donating sales items, food and money towards our endeavours. At this time also, we express our appreciation for the help and cooperation so willingly given by the Sherbrooke Record. We wish you all a joyous Christmas and a peaceful, healthy and happy New Year.

St. George's Parish Guild
and Christmas Bazaar
Committee

Sawyerville

Alice Wilson
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Burton and Lisa Macey and Mark of Abercorn were visitors of his mother, Evelyn.

Sally Sharp of Enfield, N.H., was a visitor of Irwin and Ruth McBurney before the Christmas holidays.

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