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CSSS to CIUSS-Estrie-CHUS

With deadline fast approaching administrators pressured to make change

By Ann Davidson

Now that Bill 10 is law, CSSS administrators and board members are required to see that everything is in place when the local agencies disband and officially merge to regional ones within less than eight weeks.

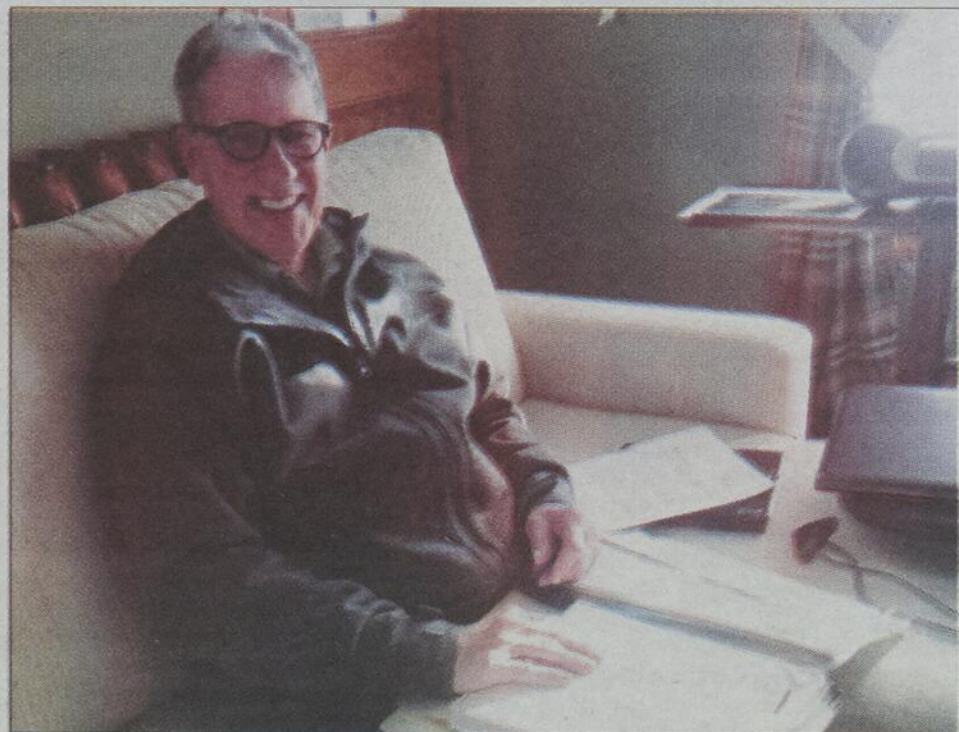
"This is an extremely intense period with an enormous amount of work to do at many levels as we transition from local administrations to one big super board. The new Eastern Township health board is going to be governing a territory equivalent to the size of anyone of a number of European countries," explained Michel Lafrance, the president of the board of directors of CSSS La Pommeraiie. He and Townshippers' Association President Gerald Cutting agree that there is no other option but to make it work.

Despite the inherent complexities of handing the reins to a new system, Lafrance is hopeful that patients and clients will not feel the impact because the intention is to maintain the front lines as close to status quo as possible. He said that, in particular, the recom-

mendation to join with Estrie was accepted by Health Minister Gaetan Barrette. It was a modification requested in response to the demands of the English community. Now that the government has listened, it must work.

Lafrance represents hundreds of dedicated volunteers who have served to govern the current system. He says that, since legislation is evolving at such a rapid rate, it is a challenge to keep up with new information. But in order to see it happen properly he must stay on top. That means working every day until April 1 when his role will have dissolved and the new super boards will take over.

The new system serving the Eastern Townships is projected to operate on a \$1.15 billion budget for 500,000 people living in an area between Lac-Mégantic and L'Ange Gardien, an area of 12,820 square kilometres. The CIUSSS de l'Estrie-CHUS will have 100 service locations with 17,000 employees and 1,000 doctors and thousands of volunteers. It plans to facilitate 2,100 people in the long-term care services while also



ANN DAVIDSON

Michel Lafrance, president of CSSS La Pommeraiie, works diligently from home to keep up with the rapid rate of information being presented as the health administrator rushes to meet the April 1 deadline for transition.

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Paradis wins Liberal nod in Brome-Missisquoi

By Ann Davidson

Denis Paradis won the nomination Sunday to represent the Liberal Party in the Brome-Missisquoi riding in the next federal election.

Paradis, of St. Armand, defeated Town of Brome Lake residents Etienne Couture and Tim Reid at the Chateau Bromont. John McKenna of Magog withdrew his candidacy. More than 426 members of the party came out to vote.

It was no easy ride for Paradis, because as Linda Julien, the president of the Quebec Association for the Federal Liberal Party, said, "All the candidates were spectacular and each one would have done a great job."

Paradis said that the membership growth to more than 1,300 people in the Brome-Missisquoi riding since he started in politics was dramatic. He was excited about the growing interest and support to the party. The Brome-Missisquoi



With his wife and daughter by his side, as well as defeated candidates Etienne Couture and Tim Reid and President of the Liberal Party's Quebec association Linda Julien looking on, Denis Paradis delivers his acceptance speech.

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Brome County Community Bulletin Board

February 16 - April 17

The Cowansville Volunteer Center is ready to do your taxes. The Cowansville Volunteer Center offers assistance to people who need help to complete their income tax returns. Certain criteria must be met to qualify and a contribution of \$5 per person is required to cover administrative costs. The Cowansville Volunteer Center invites residents from Abercorn, Adamsville, Brigham, Brome, Cowansville, Dunham, East-Farnham, Frelighsburg, Knowlton (Lac Brome) and Sutton who qualify for the program to call our office at 450-263-3758 and make an appointment - accepting calls starting from February 16 to April 17, 2015.

February 17

Pancake supper on February 17, 4 to 7 p.m., at Holy Trinity Church Hall, 218 Iron Hill Rd., Iron Hill. Homemade pancakes and beans, sausages, coffee/tea/juice. 12 yrs.-plus: \$7. 2-12 yrs.: \$4 Under 2 yrs.: free. Come and bring a friend and take a break from Old Man Winter.

February 18

Ash Wednesday lunch in Bedford. The ACW of St. James Church, Bedford, is hosting an Ash Wednesday lunch from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. on February 18 in St. James hall, 40 rue du Pont, Bedford. Menu: homemade soups, bread, local cheeses, desserts. Admission: \$7 at the door. Information: 450-248-7319. Everyone is welcome!

February 18

Waterloo: Townshippers' Association presents a free interactive health education session, "High Blood Pressure: Take the Pressure off," given by the Heart and Stroke Foundation on Wednesday, February 18, 10 a.m. - noon. Please register in advance for the session at Waterloo Elementary School, 5 Clark Hill Street, by contacting Kate Murray, km@townshippers.qc.ca, at Townshippers' in Lac-Brome 450-242-4421.

February 18, 20

Bingo every Wednesday at the Sutton Legion 2 Curley St., Sutton. Jackpot of \$200 or more. Start at 6.30 p.m. Bring your friends and lucky charms. Info: 450-538-2864 also social night every Friday at the Sutton Legion. Come and play cribbage, darts, and 500. Donation of \$2. Hot dogs and hamburgers now available. Come and have fun. Info: 450 538-2210.

February 21

Country dance with music by Gary Darling at the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 77, 77 Lewis St., Waterloo, Saturday, February 21, from 8 p.m. to midnight. \$7 per person. Come on out, have a dance and socialize with us! Info: 450-539-3436.

The Mental Health & Well-Being Support Group. Please note: The next meeting will be Saturday, February 21. Please

phone Linda: 450-243-0928 or pleasantvalley001@gmail.com for the location of the meeting. Join us for an opportunity to share experiences in a safe environment and receive support, information, encouragement and acceptance. Having support makes all the difference!

February 22

You're invited to the third annual "**Fête des semences de Frelighsburg**" on Sunday, February 22, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Town Hall second floor. Presentations (in French) on soil health, useful weeds, and seed saving. Highlights include kiosks selling heritage seeds, and local products, photo exhibit, live music, prizes and "seed exchange." Come stock up for spring! Free admission. Contributions or seed donations for children's arboretum appreciated. Supported by Vitalité Frelighsburg. Information: susanmuir8@yahoo.com or 450-298-5544.

Stanbridge East Music Coffee House will be held on Sunday, February 22, at St. James the Apostle Church Hall from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Information: 450-243-0645.

All you can eat brunch will be hosted at the Sutton Legion on Sunday, February 22. Eggs your way (omelettes are our specialty). Donation of \$8 for adults, children 6 to 8 yrs \$4, little ones are always free. 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Everyone welcome. 2 Curly St Sutton Qc. Info: 450 538-2210.

February 24

Open til 8. "Pot Luck Supper" at 6 p.m. Talking, laughing and learning over delicious home cooking! Free. Avante Women's Centre, 15 rue du Pont, Bedford. 450-248-0530. avantenancy@bellnet.ca.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Cowansville Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 99, will hold their **general meeting**, Tuesday February 24, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at 120 Davignon, Cowansville.

March 2

Canadian Club of the Yamaska Valley meets on Monday March 2 at 2 p.m. in Auberge West Brome, 128 Route 139, West Brome. Speaker: Robert Chadwick, archeologist and historian. Topic: Cats and Dogs and the origins of civilization. For lunch reservations call Auberge West Brome at 450-266-7552. Non-members welcome for \$10 fee. Information: Eric Dryden 450-248-7311.

March 7

This is notice that the Brome County Historical Society will hold its **annual general meeting** on March 7, 2015 at 11 a.m. at the Town of Brome Lake Community Centre located at 270, Victoria in Town of Brome Lake. This invitation goes to members only. If you wish to become a member please contact us at www.bromemuseum.com or 450-243-6782.

CHURCH BULLETINS

CREEK/WATERLOO PASTORAL CHARGE

First Sunday of Lent, February 22 - worship and music: Creek United, 278 Brill Rd., West Bolton, service and Sunday school at 9 a.m.; St. Paul's United, 4929 Foster, Waterloo, service at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, February 19, Lenten Soup 'n Study begins 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Thursday, February 26, Lenten Soup n Study continues 11:30 - 1:30 p.m. Reverend Dave Lambie, minister. For information or to leave a message call: 450-539-2129.

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

24 St. Paul's Road, Knowlton. www.stpaulsblog.wordpress.com. St. Paul's - a dynamic, diverse community pursuing and serving Jesus in the Eastern Townships. 8 a.m. Said Book of Common Prayer worship. 10 a.m. User-friendly "blended" service with traditional, contemporary and modern music and format. Sunday school.

KNOWLTON-MOUNTAIN VALLEY PASTORAL CHARGE

Serving the regions of Knowlton, Bolton Centre, Mansonville, and Vale Perkins. All are welcome to attend. Worship services at 11 a.m. Knowlton United Church, 234 Knowlton Road (450-243-6078). The Rev. Ryk Allen, officiating. A warm welcome is extended to all. Handicapped access available.

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

KEEP CALM AND COME TO CHURCH! Come together for a thoughtful and spiritual experience and give yourself a good start to the week. Sunday worship is at 203 rue Principale, Cowansville, at 10:30 a.m. We serve the United Church communities of Brigham, East Farnham, Farnham, and Cowansville...but really anyone can find a home here. Give it a try and sample a Sunday. Wheelchair accessible. Our annual meeting will be held on Feb. 22 at 12:30 p.m. with a potluck luncheon prior to it at 11:30 a.m. Minister: Rev. Eric Lukacs, church office: 450-263-0204, website: emmanuelcowansville.ca.

ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH - DUNHAM

Sunday services at 10 a.m. - all welcome! The Rev. Sinpoh Han. Information: 450-295-2045.

ANGLICAN PARISH OF BROME

First Sunday of the month service will be at Holy Trinity, Iron Hill, second Sunday of the month will be at St. John the Evangelist in Brome, third Sunday of the month will be in West Brome at Church of the Ascension, fourth Sunday of the month: St. Aidan's, Sutton Junction. All services are at 10 a.m. Info: Evelyn Best 450-243-6739.

ÉGLISE CATHOLIQUE ST. ÉDOUARD CATHOLIC CHURCH

366 Knowlton Road, Knowlton. You are invited to participate in a bilingual Mass Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Christian meditation is now on Wednesday afternoons 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (side door) except in July and August. The group is now bilingual and has been formed to introduce meditation to newcomers. We welcome beginners and experienced meditators. Regular attendance not required. Information call Clare at 450-243-5590.

TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Church with a "Heart," 409 South St., Cowansville. All Sunday services are at 10:30 a.m. Come and join us as we endeavor to learn and practice God's loving will. We'd love to welcome you. Reverend George Campbell. Info: 450-955-3325 (leave message).

SUTTON - DUNHAM UNITED CHURCH PASTORAL CHARGE

A warm welcome awaits you at the Sunday worship services led by Rev. Gayle Chouinard in Dunham at the Martins' home at 9:15 a.m. and in Sutton at Calvary United Church (in our new home in Grace Church) at 11:30 a.m. Information: 450-295-3251 (Dunham) or 450-538-0530 (Sutton).

BEDFORD PASTORAL CHARGE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

Gathered round Christ, we are a community that searches out God's story in daily life. We worship together as follows: First Sunday service in Bedford, second Sunday service in Stanbridge East, third Sunday service in Bedford, fourth Sunday service in Mystic, fifth Sunday service is in Philipsburg. All services are at 10 a.m.

GRANBY UNITED CHURCH

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GRACE ANGLICAN CHURCH

52 Principale sud, Sutton, welcomes everyone for Sunday services at 10 a.m. rector. Info: 450-538-8108 or visit our website at www.gracechurchsutton.org.

ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

130 Principale, Granby, welcomes everyone for Sunday service at 11 a.m. All welcome. Bienvenue a tous. Canon Wm. Terry Blizzard, rector. Information: 450-372-2197.

COWANSVILLE COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Cowansville Community Baptist Church meets Sundays at 11:30 a.m., 112 John Street. Cowansville. Everyone is welcome.

Quebec pol's daughter spared record on student unrest charges

The Canadian Press

A Quebec politician's daughter has been granted a conditional discharge for causing damage during the 2012 student protests.

Yalda Machouf-Khadir, the daughter of Quebec solidaire member Amir Khadir, will have to serve 240 hours of community service and will be under probation for three years.

She won't have a criminal record if she abides by the conditions.

Machouf-Khadir, who aspires to become a lawyer, pleaded guilty to taking part in the ransacking of the Quebec education minister's office as well as vandalism that occurred during protests at a Montreal junior college and a university.

Machouf-Khadir previously pleaded guilty to several charges including mischief, breaking-and-entering, conspiracy to commit mischief and wearing a dis-

guise.

Quebec court Judge Jean-Pierre Boyer said he believes the remorse the accused has shown is sincere and that she realizes that people would have felt threatened by her actions.

The province gained international attention in 2012 when a dispute over proposed tuition hikes boiled into a months-long uprising.

The unrest, dubbed the Maple Spring, saw thousands of protesters hit Montreal streets night after night and several incidents of violence across the province.

Amir Khadir told reporters Monday that as far as he's concerned, her daughter was contributing to the public discussion.

"My daughter is very proud of having contributed positively to a debate," said Khadir.

"Some mistakes happened, and she's assuming (responsibility) ... she's happy that justice was rendered."

CP Rail strike ends as discussions resume

By Andy Blatchford
THE CANADIAN PRESS

A day-old strike at Canadian Pacific Railway screeched to an unexpected halt Monday with the company and its union agreeing to binding arbitration just hours before employees were to be legislated back to work.

Labour Minister Kellie Leitch was on the verge of introducing a bill to end the labour dispute when she suddenly emerged from the House of Commons to reveal the two sides had beaten her to it.

"The strike is over," Leitch declared. "I'm incredibly happy that both sides put the interests of Canadians and the Canadian economy first."

The minister said she welcomed the sudden willingness by the railway (TSX:CP) and the union to resume talks through a mediator — a development that had seemed impossible just hours earlier.

Asked whether the threat of a back-to-work bill had negated the rights of workers to strike, Leitch played down its impact, noting that employees already had the opportunity to strike.

"We have not tabled this legislation," she said. "We have allowed the parties to meet, to talk and to come to what they think will be the best agreement."

Earlier Monday, as the House of Commons debated the merits of the back-to-work bill, Leitch said the strike could have cost the Canadian economy more than \$200 million in lost GDP every week.

She acknowledged there were still numerous issues on the table, but said the goal was to get service back to 100 per cent by Tuesday morning.

The strike by 3,300 locomotive engineers and other CP train workers began

Sunday.

Effects of the stoppage were felt Monday as the strike disrupted service on several Montreal-area commuter train routes, services used by an estimated 19,000 people every day.

The union chose the arbitration and mediation process to avoid being forced back to work by the government, its president said Monday.

"Our preference is to negotiate these improvements through collective bargaining, and the worst thing that could happen is a legislated process," Teamsters president Douglas Finsson said in a statement.

"These issues are far too important to our members to have a legislated process decide the issue."

The Teamsters said the dispute resolution process will address issues at the heart of the conflict, including its concerns about worker fatigue. Train service, it added, would resume Tuesday, but only after it had ensured workers were well rested.

In a statement Monday, CP Rail chief executive Hunter Harrison said the company would have preferred a negotiated deal, though he noted the decision brings both sides back to the table.

"This is the right thing to do at this time," Harrison said.

On Sunday, Peter Edwards, CP's vice-president of labour relations, said he supported the government's bill after negotiations failed.

NDP labour critic Alexandre Boulerice said he doesn't believe the threat of back-to-work legislation helped either side in the dispute.

"The Conservatives always have the same answers: to attack the workers, attack their rights — the constitutional rights — and attack their unions."

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LETTERS

The real figures on taxes in West Bolton

DEAR EDITOR:

There is some misinformation circulating in West Bolton about municipal finances. When we accept misinformation, it means we are abandoning not only our critical judgement but our ability to make clear choices and control our future. That's why it is the duty of everyone to ensure the veracity of information, and in the case of our finances, as director general, this duty falls especially to me.

The misinformation being circulated includes the claim of a mil rate increase of 8.3 per cent in 2015. This 8.3 per cent figure actually refers to the average increase in property values. In fact, and the Quebec government will confirm it, the mil rate in 2014 was \$0.40 per \$100

of assessed value and the mil rate in 2015 is \$0.40 for every \$100 of assessment.

Another claim is that expenses have significantly increased. This is not true. The preliminary figures we have, which are posted on the website of the municipality, show that the actual operating expenses in 2014 were 1 per cent less than in 2013, dropping from \$1,239.902 in 2013 to \$1,227.579 in 2014. However, it is important to note that the 2014 figures have not yet been audited by the accounting firm and so it is unwise to draw conclusions before the verification is complete at the end of February.

Another claim circulating concerns contracts awarded by the municipality. In fact, according to the law, all contracts over \$100,000 are posted on the

Please return council calendar to former format

DEAR EDITOR:

The council newsletter says the new calendar of collections was created "to improve its appearance and make it easier to understand." But although it is prettier it is much harder to understand as the various colours are

too similar and the information for the two zones is crowded together, made worse because on a smaller page.

Please return to the old format.

LIONEL ALBERT
Knowlton

Quebec government's website and all Quebec contractors can bid for them.

Knowledge and information are the strength of a community. It will be impossible to accomplish much in West Bolton unless we share, communicate, ask questions, discuss and understand each other. I am always surprised when people draw conclusions on a topic without first talking to the people involved. I'm especially surprised when people draw conclusion on finances without

checking the facts with me.

As Quebec author Lyse Desrochers said, the hardest thing is not the answers; the hardest thing is asking questions.

Sincerely,

PHILIPPE DE COURVAL
Director-General
Secretary-Treasurer
Municipality of West Bolton

TBL water approved by 64 per cent?

DEAR EDITOR:

By sending out a letter with our February tax bill TBL easily could have polled each Brome Lake taxpayer, for only a few dollars. Instead Mayor Burcombe chose to spend around \$10,000 asking and reporting on questions that for many remain unanswerable because they are not involved with what was questioned.

How can 64.3 per cent of the respondents all over Brome Lake approve or disapprove of town drinking water when so many are not connected to town water? Were the good people with private wells telling us they approve of their own wells? Or were the answers assembled to achieve a 64 per cent answer? In either case the result is meaningless.

According to last week's glowing BCN report, "over 400" people were polled (401 actually). But no one asked how the 401 were selected; or where they lived in Brome Lake, or if they owned property. All of which must be considered before meaningful answers may be achieved. Why has no one ventured such a query?

Should not those who reside on Lakeside Rd., Knowlton Rd., or any other numbered route in Brome Lake be excluded from commenting on town snow removal, because for them snow removal is a Quebec matter

paid for by provincial taxes. Perhaps they were included to get another special answer. In either case the result is meaningless.

We don't need to spend money on a poll to discover that after urgent repairs to our sidewalk system, the most important project in town is restoring Mill Pond. Indeed this was confirmed by the mayor. It's also clear that the least popular project is a new town swimming pool. So why is the report and the mayor focusing only on the pool?

There is not a mention of support or involvement for the Mill Pond project, yet unanimous support for the pool, that includes hiring expert planners, fund raisers, consultants, and investigators, and a referendum!

Mrs. Kerrigan's photo blended into the BCN's coverage of the poll story raises even further questions. Focusing on developing a free natural asset like Mill Pond, can offer something to all families and businesses in Brome Lake. Shaping the pond, its village park into a year-round attraction for swimming or skating, bird sanctuary, or walking paths, boating, bicycling, picnicking, etc. etc. will make Brome Lake a better place to live and visit.

BRIAN TIMMINS
Knowlton

Freemasons Support Knowlton Academy Student Breakfast Program

Brian Allen
Brome Lake Lodge No. 35, G.L.Q.

Freemasons of Brome Lake Lodge No. 35 recently presented the Student Breakfast Program at Knowlton Academy with a cheque for \$1,500.00. This program ensures that each child has access to a nutritional breakfast prior to commence-

ment of classes. Staffed entirely by volunteers, it is funded solely through donations. For more information on the Breakfast Program contact Renalee Gore at 450-243-6187.

For information on Freemasonry and Masonic Lodges in Quebec got to The Grand Lodge of Quebec web site at: <http://glquebec.org>.



Front, left to right, Wor. Bro. Eugene Jones with his granddaughter Anodea Passera, Rt. Wor. Bro. Russell Lawrence, Rt. Wor. Bro. Brian Allen, Principle of Knowlton Academy Renalee Gore, and V. Wor. Bro. Bob Quilliams. Rear, left to right, Bro. Ed Lowry and Wor. Bro. Brian Mitchell

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LA DOLCE VITAE

What it takes for romantic décor



TAYNA BARDATI

You don't have to wait until Valentine's Day to create a romantic decor. Here are a few tips that you may want to add to any decor along the romantic lines.

1) Soft muted wall colours. Start with a comfortable pastel palette as a backdrop to your decor. Pale blues, dusty pinks and creamy whites are all great colors to use as a canvas for your creation. For a romantic decor, stay away from bright hues and stick to the soft muted tones to create decor for rest and relaxation.

2) Soft supple fabrics. Fabrics are important in bringing the soft and comfortable aspect of this decor into focus. Silk should be on top of the list but be careful not to add too much but rather have an accent pillow made of silk. Faux fur or soft plush throws are a must for this type of decor. However, you must keep it light and airy for the window furnishings by using sheers or lace to add to the filtered light aspect, an essential part of the romantic décor

3) Feminine style furnishings. A great way to create a romantic decor is by adding refurbished vintage furniture. Choose pieces that have curvy lines and are not

too bulky. Also, floral and muted patterns are a must for this type of decor, either in the window dressings or furniture fabrics. Go for pieces of furniture that have fine simple lines and can be vintage style.

4) Sparkly accents. You need to add glamour to the romantic decor. Choose a presentation piece such as a shiny crystal chandelier, a gilded mirror or a silk-tufted headboard with jeweled buttons. These accents will add charm and refinement to the romantic decor, as well as create great conversation pieces especially if you go vintage for these accents. These accent pieces can also be as simple as a great fuzzy or shaggy pillow on your sofa or bed. As long as the piece is visually appealing and pops, the accent will add to the charm of romantic décor

5) Soft classy lighting fixtures. Well-lit rooms are not the way to go for a romantic decor. Overhead lighting may be useful but is notoriously unflattering. It is better to use filtered lighting such as lamps with ivory shades. Floor lighting may also be used to create shadows and highlights. Nothing is more flattering than candlelight to create a sexy decor but this may not be practical. A simple trick to create this type of lighting is to replace your white bulb with soft pink-tinted bulbs.

6) Tempting all the senses. Sight and touch are the senses that are the ones that decors will appeal to mostly in the first few minutes. But the other senses must not be overlooked. Appeal to the nose by adding scented candles or potpourri in odours of lavender, fresh linen or green apple. Your ears will thank you if you add a sound system that allows you to play relaxing music or at least a docking station for your iPod with your favorite music. As for the fifth sense: taste, you can check this one off by adding a bowl of mints or chocolates to your romantic decor for your guests to enjoy. Just don't forget to keep them in stock!

7) Clean the clutter. Get rid of all the junk and clutter in your romantic decor. Keeping everything simple and clean will make your romantic decor shine through. First, clean up everything off the floor. Clean all the surfaces of clutter and leave only things that are pretty or meaningful. You don't want to have anything reminding you of chores or work. You want to create an environment for relaxing.

8) Banish the stuffed toys. You might be tempted to add some cute stuffed animals to the decor but please resist. Unless the room that you are decorating is for a child, romantic themed rooms do not require stuffed bunnies, cats or elephants. I have seen a few times when a romantic decor is shut down by the stuffed floppy eared bunny placed in the center of the bed.

9) For men also. Although romantic decor incorporates mostly feminine items, this doesn't mean that men need to feel unwelcome. There can be a happy balance between the sexes if certain more masculine aspects are added to the room. For example, striped fabrics, dark wood furniture and an overstuffed chair will bring masculine balance. Just remember to keep the colors soft and muted because if not, this romantic decor may turn completely masculine and go all Old World style.

10) Modern twist to romance. You can always add a romantic aspect to any modern or contemporary decor. For example, in a bedroom that has a monochromatic white and black canvas, by adding silk bedding, a red accent pillow or a dramatic chandelier, you will create a more romantic theme to this modern decor.

In most people's minds, romantic decor may only be reserved for bedrooms but some or all of these aspects of a romantic decor featured above can be integrated into any room of the house, from elegant dining rooms to romantic and relaxing bathrooms. Just a few thoughts when planning your next renovation project, romantic decor aims to add relaxation and comfort, which appeals to all.

Write to me with your decorating questions and problems and I will be glad to answer these as best I can. Photos are always welcome; I cannot guarantee though that these will be published. Please send your questions and decorating problems to me at tayna@creationstayna.com, preferably before the end of each month. If I cannot include your decor questions in my column, I will be sure to answer your questions directly.

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Pet of the week — Mike



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Skiers race in Special Olympics provincial finals at Owl's Head

By Ann Davidson

More than 55 skiers raced for medals in six divisions of the slalom and giant slalom categories in the Special Olympics Alpine event at Owl's Head on Valentine's Day to qualify for the next provincial finals in Quebec City this season and then for the Nationals next winter.

The biting cold and grey skies were no competition with the smiles for the athletes.

The organizer of the host club's activities, Art Zentner, enthusiastically recounted the progress and successes of a couple of the club's athletes. He reminded



PHOTOS BY ANN DAVIDSON

Vicki Brulotte, member of the Memphre Ski Club, and her mother Lois, joyful at the finish line. Brulotte won a gold medal at the event.

his friend Ludger Milon-Gagnon of how, three years ago, he couldn't ski at all and now he is going through gates. Milon-Gagnon's dad said that skiing makes his son happy. And Zentner laughed when he spoke about the six weeks he spent towing Vicki Brulotte around on skis before she took a ride on the chairlift. Now she rides it all the time with a shadow attending.

Brulotte's mother, Lois Brulotte, said skiing is Vicki's sport and she has more fun doing it than anything else. For her, it doesn't matter if she misses a gate or two. She knows that her daughter is having the time of her life.

The Memphre Ski Club has been operating for the past 11 years with Owl's Head as its base mountain. It offers alpine ski lessons and training with accompaniment to individuals with intellectual disabilities every Sunday for eight weeks during the season. The program gives the participants the opportunity to experience the thrill of the sport and competition with the possibility of progressing to provincial, national and world competitions.

Special Olympics is a sports-oriented program started in the United States and has been in Canada for more than 35 years. Its mission is to "improve the well-being of individuals with an intellectual disability. Special Olympics Canada is dedicated to enriching the lives of Canadians with an intellectual disability through sport."

The first provincial Special Winter Olympic Games for Quebec were held in Lennoxville on the Champlain-Bishop's campus in 1981. At that point Alpine skiing was not a component of the program. Now there are teams representing the Laurentians, South Shore, Quebec City area, Eastern Townships and points beyond.



Above, Ludger Milon-Gagnon, winner of two gold medals, and silver medalist No. 34 Catherine Migneault-Girard united at the end of their slalom runs.

Below, Bronze medal winner Emmet Zentner and his dad Art, organizer of the provincial competition for the Quebec Special Winter Olympics held at Owl's Head Saturday.



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Valentine's gift to the Eastern Townships Sold-out 'play within the play' brings levity to the winter blahs



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Cast belting out a song during the production of "Love in the Wings" by Laura Teasdale at the eighth annual dinner theatre and performed by The Knowlton Players.

By Ann Davidson

People in the Town of Brome Lake have come to expect dinner theatre by the time Valentine's Day rolls around. In its eighth year, the Knowlton Players have not disappointed. Written and directed by Town of Brome Lake's own Laura Teasdale, with one weekend over and two more to go, the tickets are sold out.

Teasdale says that dinner theatre has become "a little Valentine's gift to the Eastern Townships in the heart of February, with their local references and colourful characters."

"Love in the Wings," performed by the talented local troupe, is meant to be a spoof on the biography of Knowlton's founding father, Paul Holland Knowlton. It's a story that is about to be performed by those who are auditioning for the parts. Some details have merit to histor-

ical references, some are embellished. Places and names are "oddy" familiar.

Playing at The Pub in Knowlton, it is clever musical comedy meant to shake out the winter blues while enjoying a meal.

"Everyone's been talking about Paul Holland Knowlton, but I doubt very

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Above, playwright and director of "Love in the Wings," Laura Teasdale analyzing and tweaking last-minute details at the dress rehearsal Thursday at The Pub in Knowlton.

Right, Declaring their love for each other while keeping it a secret from their rivalling families.

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Radio Canada employees hate conservative values, Harper tells Quebec station

By Melanie Marquis
THE CANADIAN PRESS

Prime Minister Stephen Harper says "a lot" of Radio-Canada employees "hate" conservative values.

Harper says those values that are loathed by many employees of CBC's French-language network are the same ones that he says are supported by a large number of Quebecers.

Harper made the comments during a French-language interview with Quebec City radio station FM93, conducted last Friday and aired today.

His remarks were described as "petty" by an NDP MP.

Harper's comments about Radio-Canada came in response to a question about how he plans to convince Quebecers to vote for his party in the upcoming federal election.

He says he doesn't believe that voters in Quebec are predominantly left-leaning.

Rather, he says, Quebecers approve of the measures taken by his government: lowering taxes, staying tough on crime and cracking down on the threat of terrorism.

"I remain convinced that Quebecers are not leftists, con-

trary to the image conveyed by some media or the opposition parties," Harper says in the interview.

"I understand that there are many at Radio-Canada who hate these values, but I think that these values are the true values of a large percentage of Quebecers."

NDP labour critic Alexandre Boulerice said it's clear Harper and his party dislike the public broadcaster.

"I think Mr. Harper's comments are absolutely deplorable and shows the whole ideology of the Conservatives, who don't like Radio-Canada," Boulerice said in Ottawa.

"I think Prime Minister Harper and the Conservatives have had a negative bias towards Radio-Canada and this for a long time."

The Conservatives hold just five seats in the province, compared to seven for the Liberals and 54 for the New Democrats.

It wouldn't be the first time the Conservatives have attacked Radio-Canada.

In February 2011, Jason Kenney accused the broadcaster of "lying all the time" in response to a question from a journalist.

More recently, Harper's



spokesman Carl Vallee wrote that it was becoming "more and more difficult for (him) not to conclude that (his) worst suspicions about Radio-Canada held true."

Vallee was reacting to a documentary aired last year about the religious right in Canada which explored links between evangelical Christian groups and the Harper government.

Radio-Canada ombudsman Pierre Tourangeau concluded in that case that standards governing the presentation of journalistic views were not properly applied.

Administrators pressured

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making available 1,200 beds for short-term care and rehabilitation.

"By pooling the expertise of the network's professionals and the knowledge of the needs of the population of our territory, the current managers are confident that care and services will be improved and adapted to the needs of the community," Diane Gingras, the chairman of the board of directors of the CSSS-IUGS wrote in a communiqué issued last week. She says the amalgamation will maintain specialized services and be able to provide 100 per cent of care and services needed in a lifetime without patients ever having to be transferred to Montreal or Quebec City.

Other administrators and directors believe that the Estrie agency is already ahead of the game in that, "joint action is one of the strengths of the region and already there are regionalized large-scale projects with its partners."

Cutting is concerned that the rushed process of transition will be longer than anticipated and therefore more costly, saying that it could take between two to four years before the anticipated cost savings are reflected. He is worried that if that would be the case, the financial report card on this matter could look like the plan was a failure, hence, causing discouragement of volunteers, another exodus of the most mobile and qualified professionals, and voter dissatisfaction.

Both Lafrance and Cutting admit that Bill 10 was not a welcome proposal but when suggestions were presented the government listened and responded. Cutting feels that since the government has compromised the English community in the Townships and that it has made a concession by removing CSSS La Pommeraiie from the proposed Montérégie plan, it will say to the population that, "You asked, you got, now you make it work." And, says Cutting, "We have to. The ball has been tossed back to us to make sure that this new system works. And we, the English community stand to lose a lot of credibility if it doesn't. We didn't get everything we asked for, but we did get something so we must see that it works so that everybody can benefit. The perspectives on this project oozes optimism," says Cutting. "So I think we should support the optimism."

Paradis wins Liberal nod

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riding stretches as far west as Bedford and to the east in Magog.

Reid, a defender of human rights and democracy, though not as well known in the area because his career with the UN and Canadian Armed Forces has taken him on more than 12 peace-keeping missions to places like Africa, Europe, Middle-East and Asia, is no stranger to the challenges of building and maintaining good governance.

As an engineer at Kyo/Tor-

rington in Bedford, the 46-year-old Couture has been president of the Liberal Association since 2011 and also served on numerous local educational and sports-related organizations.

Both Reid and Couture focused on boosting tourism. While Reid emphasized initiatives such as the compatibility of the proposed light rail on Champlain Bridge with potential extensions towards the Eastern Townships, Couture spoke about using the Bromont Airport as a lever for tourism.

Reid's vision also included strengthening national defence and a method of routine communication with the U.S. in order to resolve cross-border issues. Couture stressed his desire to re-establish Canada's international credibility and to promote economic development and environmental protection.

Paradis, a lawyer and agro-producer carrying a long list of involvement in the public sector, has already served four terms as Member of Parliament and assumed responsibility as minister for the francophone, minister of state for Latin America and Africa, and minister of financial institutions.

"Each time I was defeated, my party was defeated," he said. "Last time was different because at the beginning of the campaign I was winning, but the 'Jack effect from Tout le Monde on Parle,' was unstoppable." Paradis was referring to the late Jack Layton, leader of the NDP's

influence on the massive audience in Quebec. "That won't happen this time around. The NDPs will have to work hard to maintain their status."

Though he admits that voters on Sunday may have been looking for senior representation when the party is steered by a younger person, Paradis centred this first phase of the pre-election process on four issues that are close to the hearts of people living in a territory that boast several large lakes, including Lake Champlain, Lake Memphremagog and Brome Lake.

1. Environment, specifically the protection of waterways
2. Development of tourist infrastructure that will support local economy

3. Job creation for youth in the region

4. Security for families and seniors.

"There are several issues that I am especially wanting to address; the first being environ-

ment." He said that the area must protect its landscape that draws tourists to the area, mentioning that there are a lot of concerns regarding the health of the lakes in the riding. They are not necessarily the same, but sedimentation, for instance, is becoming a serious preoccupation for Lake Memphremagog and Brome Lake because of the development on the high lands within their watersheds. Lake Champlain has other issues that must be dealt with.

The Brome-Missisquoi candidate is also entertaining the idea seniors over 65 years of age should be exempt of certain taxes.

In parting he mentioned that he is available to speak to anyone on subjects that are of concern to the region.

Reid and Couture assured their support for Paradis during the pre-election period and the years to follow.

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Ottawa spent \$376K to repatriate Luka Magnotta

By Andy Blatchford
THE CANADIAN PRESS

The big-ticket military mission to fetch fugitive Luka Rocco Magnotta from Germany in 2012 was ordered by a senior Conservative cabinet minister who considered it a matter of "national interest," The Canadian Press has learned.

In June 2012, the Air Force made a \$376,128 decision to dispatch one of its largest aircraft to collect the accused killer in Berlin, where local police had collared him to end an intercontinental manhunt that made global headlines.

The low-budget porn actor and stripper fled to Europe after the brutal Montreal killing and dismemberment of 33-year-old university student Jun Lin.

Magnotta was given a life sentence in December after a jury found him guilty of first-degree murder, among other charges. The 32-year-old is appealing the verdict and wants a new trial.

After Magnotta's conviction, National Defence released more than 1,700 pages of emails documenting the cost of repatriation, the debate over options and the scramble to whisk him home after he agreed to extradition, lest he change his mind.

The messages, obtained under the Access to Information Act, also offer a rare look behind the curtain at the government's efforts to keep details of the "sensitive" mission out of the public spotlight.

The decision to involve the Royal Canadian Air Force — and ultimately one of its CC-150 Polaris Airbus jets — was discussed at the upper levels of the country's political and military ranks, the emails show.

Peter MacKay, defence minister at the time, ordered then-general Walt Natynczyk to lend a hand "as soon as possible" after Montreal police asked for federal help.

"We will support this request as an assistance to law enforcement," MacKay wrote to Natynczyk on June 16, 2012, in

a partially redacted email.

"I (am) satisfied that this support is in the national interest and that this matter cannot be dealt with effectively without the assistance of the Canadian Forces."

He cited a section of the National Defence Act, which allows the defence minister to call on the military to help police in certain situations.

Natynczyk hit send on a reply to MacKay 21 minutes later.

"Sir, understood," Natynczyk wrote. "Your direction will be actioned."

After exploring their options, the military chose to bring Magnotta home on an Airbus, which can hold up to 194 people when configured for passengers. At the time, it cost an estimated \$15,505 per hour to operate.

Taxpayers paid \$376,128 for the National Defence portion of the trip, and the department footed the entire bill, a spokeswoman said.

The documents explain that prisoner transfers like Magnotta's are usually made with a Royal Canadian Mounted Police aircraft, specialized air transport companies or commercial airlines.

But the Mounties' jet was unavailable due to "mechanical reasons," the emails show. Commercial and charter options were deemed no-gos because some companies didn't meet security requirements. And commercial airlines refused to transport the notorious accused killer. "How can we bring him back to Montreal on a commercial flight with other people sitting on board?" Montreal police Cmdr. Ian Lafreniere said the day Magnotta landed at Mirabel airport, north of Montreal.

"For very extraordinary cases, we do have to take some extraordinary measures."

The Airbus was one of three options under consideration. The others were a nine-passenger, CC-144 Challenger executive jet and a massive CC-177 Globemaster III transport plane, used to haul helicopters, tanks and troops.

Government estimates from 2012

have shown the Challenger cost between \$5,400 and \$13,700 per hour to operate, while the Globemaster carried a \$23,279-per-hour price tag.

Officials had reservations about the Challenger option because it would have had to refuel in Iceland along the way, potentially causing customs issues. They were also uneasy about the optics of Magnotta flying in the lap of luxury.

"It will be billed as luxury jet travel for a murder (sic)," one email said. "So we may need to consider other options."

Officials felt crunched for time because Magnotta had declined to fight extradition, the emails show, so they chose the long-range Airbus — an option that avoided a pit stop between Berlin and Montreal.

"It is not a life and limb thing but still a requirement to not delay more (than) necessary," said one email. "That is one of the RCMP requirements."

The Airbus in question, which was equipped with mid-air refuelling capabilities, had to be pulled from an international live-fly exercise taking place in Cold Lake, Alta.

Other CC-150s in the military's fleet have been configured to accommodate

the prime minister, the Governor General and members of the Royal Family.

The federal government also made efforts to keep news outlets in the dark about the Magnotta mission for as long as possible, the emails reveal.

One lieutenant-colonel's message described it as a "sensitive op."

"There is a very high desire on the part of the agencies and partners involved to maintain confidentiality of this activity through a strict need to know approach," read another.

In one exchange, a defence official was praised by one of his superiors for staying on top of the public relations "firefight" by releasing only limited information to an inquiring journalist.

The documents show the Privy Council Office, the bureaucratic wing of the Prime Minister's Office, had ordered National Defence to avoid speaking to the media about the mission and to refer all questions to the Justice Department.

Magnotta was convicted in December 2014, when he was also found guilty of criminally harassing Prime Minister Stephen Harper and other members of Parliament.

Crown to seek adult sentence for Quebec teen facing terrorism related charges

The Canadian Press

A federal prosecutor said she'll seek an adult sentence for a Quebec teen charged with attempting to leave Canada to commit acts of terrorism for the benefit of a terror group.

The motion, introduced Monday, means the 15-year-old could face an adult sentence instead of the maximum three years if sentenced as a youth offender.

The boy, whose name cannot be published because he is a minor, is accused of allegedly robbing a convenience store for the benefit of a

terrorist organization, which is a charge that carries a sentence of life imprisonment.

He is also charged with attempting to leave Canada in order to commit a terrorist act, which carries a maximum of ten years in prison.

The 15-year-old's lawyer appeared Monday in youth court for what was originally supposed be the scheduling of a trial date.

Instead, the case was postponed until March 9 to allow the boy's defence team to have a closer look at the Crown's evidence.

The Crown has not specified what terrorist group the teen was alleged to have tried to help.

Sold-out 'play within the play'

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many people know anything about the man's life," author Teasdale says. "I wanted to take that history down from the shelf and dust it off. Of course, to make comedy, you have to break a few eggs. It is a mixed metaphor, but you get the point. Everything in this play is 100 per cent true, except all the stuff I made up."

Using names and places that the local audience can identify makes it personal and somewhat intimate, which is why some who attended the dress rehearsal wondered if this brilliant production couldn't be used as a template for

other municipalities, specifically in the Eastern Townships. Author Louise Abbott thought it might work well, for instance, in Georgeville, a village steeped with history and tales of the characters who built the community. The details of the town could be tailored to fit the bones of the play. Georgeville is a municipality where performing arts is typically well received.

Teasdale wants people to get involved with The Knowlton Players. She originally planned for a certain number of actors, but when approached by neophytes

who wanted to get involved, she created roles and script to include them so that they could have a taste of acting. And she is proud of the results, expounding how well they had performed given this being a first-time effort.

Regardless, the dinner theatre, where actors actually served up the meal during breaks, brought relentless gales of laughter to everyone at a point in the winter when all needed the levity. Worth noting is that tips to the actors for serving meals are donated to charity.

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About 20 years ago, Dr. Melton was a young scientist who was studying the basic biology of how cells work. He was-

n't focusing on any particular disease. Then his infant son developed severe Type 1 diabetes.

That's a disease in which the body's immune system attacks the pancreas, a spongy little organ inside the abdomen. The attack destroys the pancreas cells that produce insulin, called beta cells. As a result, the body does not have enough insulin, the hormone that directs blood sugar - our body's main source of energy - into our cells. Sugar levels rise in the blood, and the body's cells don't get enough energy.

Prompted by his son's illness, Dr. Melton turned the focus of his scientific work to trying to cure diabetes. First, he and other scientists discovered, to their surprise, some good news and some bad news. The good news: The pancreas did have a way of making new beta cells. The old cells could divide, forming young beta cells. The bad news: The pancreas didn't seem able to produce new beta cells in nearly sufficient amounts to make up for the cells killed by diabetes.

Undiscouraged, Dr. Melton reasoned that if older beta cells could be prompted to make new young beta cells - in any amount - then the body probably had chemical signals that drove the process. He began to search for them.

In early May 2013, Dr. Melton reported in the prestigious scientific journal *Cell* that his research team had indeed found such a chemical signal, a hormone, in mice. The hormone is made in the liver and in fat, and travels through the blood to the pancreas. It is able to coax an old, burned-out pancreas to make lots of new young beta cells. In mice with diabetes, the treatment caused a dramatic improvement in blood sugar. Dr. Melton named the hormone that he discovered betatrophin.

It will, of course, take much more research in mice and then in humans to determine if this newly discovered hormone can serve as a treatment for human diabetes. So, to answer your question, it's too soon to get excited.

Still, this is just the latest example of an even larger scientific discovery that has played out over the past 20 years. The human body has much greater power to repair itself naturally than we once imagined. Scientists just need to discover a few tricks to help stimulate the body's own natural healing, as in this case.

To transform this important discovery into a new treatment for diabetes we need more medical research. Encourage your members of Congress to push for more funding.

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Fulford - Review 2014

Fulford United Church celebrated the Sesquicentennial event (1864-2014) with a service led by Rev. Tom Edmonds and with Rev. Dave Lambie present. Organist, Susan Reininger, and soloist, Debbie Roy, led favourite hymns. Included in the programme was a poem. Rural Sunday School (Fulford), by E. Anne Pomeroy, brief histories were given of Fulford United Church, St. Stephen's Anglican Church and of other faiths. Messages were received from former ministers and a report was given on Micro-Credit Kivo Project. A reception was held at Fulford Hall, the community centre.

Alyssa Neeley-Belcher and Alan McCallum welcomed a daughter, Ripley Dianna.

The 50th (Golden) anniversary of Fulford Hall had slipped by, so memories of the 50 + 1 were recalled, going way back to the rather basic beginnings. It was a volunteer effort, and our local community centre is the place for meetings, get-togethers, ongoing and special events, both indoor and outdoors.

Joey Lambert, formerly of Fulford, married Florence Perret.

Wright's General Store has now been in the family for 50 years, starting with Betty and Hugh Wright in 1964, followed by son, Robert, and his wife, Carla, since 1986. The Post Office (now online) located there in 1966; gas pumps were removed in 2009. A collection of old items are on view at the antique showcase.

"The Annual Classic Hockey Tournament" trophy was won by the Warriors over the Dragons.

Brome Lake Ducks, with Captain Neal Partington of Fulford, won the Quebec Rugby Championship.

Celebrations: Barbara Banks, special birthday; Myron and Ruth Dunn, 55th (Emerald) wedding anniversary; Ronnie and

Lynn Banks, 50th (Golden) wedding anniversary.

Students - Mary Gaylor graduated from Champlain College, Lennoxville Campus, and will be continuing her studies elsewhere. Post-secondary awards from the Fisher Trust Fund were received by Tehya Lemaire and Emily Mason. Leah Lavoie graduated from

Massey-Vanier High School and won both bursary and athletic awards. Riley Lavoie and Mahalia Robinson both won MVHS athletic awards.

A reunion of the "Captain's Riding School" was attended by riders and students from British Columbia, England, Paris, etc. Captain Wiazowski established the school many years ago and it continues under his widow, Terry.

Our condolences to the following families: Three women who were long-time dedicated volunteers in the community - Flossie (née Stone), widow of Volney Brunton; Kay (née Howell), widow of Bob Vaux; Annie (née Deadman), widow of Cliff Wright; the last WWII veteran of Fulford/Foster, Sid de Solla, widower of Reba Mairs; Robert Sayers (Sr.), widower of Eleanor Everett; Fern (née Cote) widow of Norbert Desilets; Norman Kilpatrick, daughter of Dianne Baillie; Gertrude (née Paterson), widow of Delbert Watson, mother of Debbie Watson (whose nephew, Brandon also died); Keith Williams, son of Joan Brunton; Violet Confortati, mother of Mary Anne; Gordon Loewen, father of Carla Wright.

The Fulford Social Club reached its 45th anniversary, Betty Wright being the last active member of the original group. The Club devolved from the United Church Women and the Anglican Church Women, some of whom belonged to both organizations. The Strawberry Social and Harvest Soup Lunch continue as popular events. This year, a duck race - a fundraiser for the SPCA - was added.

There are many residents who serve as members and/or volunteers in both casual and formal organizations, working throughout the area and making it a special place. We hope that those who are ill will soon regain health; some residents have travelled and/or hosted guests; some moved away and will visit from time to time; regular events and special occasions will bring us together.

This was the year that Hydro-Quebec installed "smart" meters. Other topics included the ETSB advertising positions in French only; the PHK House; the proposed pool.

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