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No sign of annual flu epidemic yet

Increased vaccination may limit spread of flu virus — health officials

By Pamela Daoust
SHERBROOKE

Flu season usually peaks around this time of the year. But, this year, flu has barely showed up at all.

So far this year, only three people have been hospitalised at the Centre hospitalier universitaire de Sherbrooke (CHUS) because of the flu. At this same date last year, 300 were hospitalised due to influenza, the flu virus.

Dr. Suzanne Ménard from the Estrie regional public health department said many factors might explain a

weak flu season.

"There are a lot of hypotheses. Maybe the virus is less strong, maybe it is the same virus as last year, or maybe an increase in flu shots this year has helped contain the virus," she said.

Each year, public health departments across Quebec set up free vaccination programs. Last year about 60,000 people in the region were vaccinated.

The number of flu shots distributed this year will only be counted at the end of March, but Ménard estimates some 68 000 flu shots were distributed this season in the Sherbrooke area.

Usually there is an increase of five per cent each year in distributed flu shots, which should have amounted to 3,000 more shots this year. However, 8,000 more shots were distributed this season in the region.

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Stukely man dies in Waterloo crash

Staff

An accident on Horizon Boulevard in Waterloo led to the death of a South Stukely man Monday morning.

Two people were riding in a car when the driver, a 36-year-old Waterloo man, lost control of his vehicle near 11 Horizon Boulevard at about 5:15 a.m. He slid into the oncoming lane and slammed into a utility pole with the

front passenger door of the car.

Sûreté du Québec spokesman Const. Louis-Philippe Ruel said the passenger, 38-year-old Gabriel Gagné, was later declared dead at hospital.

Police are continuing to investigate the causes of the accident. Ruel said early indications are the roads were icy in places at the time of the crash. It is also possible the driver was going too fast for the conditions of the road.

Canadian Women Strike Gold



CANWEST NEWS

The Canadian women's hockey team scored its way to another Olympic gold medal, beating Sweden 4-1 on Monday. Sherbrooke native Sarah Vaillancourt had an assist in the winning effort. The women went undefeated in tournament, outscoring their opponents 46-2. Scoring for Canada were Gillian Apps (pictured), Caroline Ouellette, Cherie Piper and Jayna Hefford. Charline Labonté made eight saves for the win.



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Cowansville sanitary landfill invests millions

Staff

As the business of recycling management grows, so too, apparently, does that of garbage management. The intermunicipal landfill in Cowansville (la Régie intermunicipale d'élimination de déchets solides de Brome-Missisquoi, or the RIEDSBM) will be investing millions of dollars in the coming years to meet demand as well as government requirements.

First on the agenda is a \$1-million-plus investment over the coming year in technology to capture the biogas emitted from landfilled waste before it is released into the atmosphere, a measure required under provincial environmental law. The RIEDSBM is also looking at ways of marketing these biogases as an energy source.

During this same timeframe, three new cells will be built at a cost of \$4 million. RIEDSBM president Yvon Couture says the current cells will be full by the middle of next year.

News of the investments comes at the heels of major spending by the RIEDSBM over the past two years. In 2004 the sanitary landfill bought a \$720,000 ultra-modern compactor to increase its capacity from 57,500 to 75,000 metric tons; last year, RIEDSBM spent \$101,000 on a scale that allows the site to accommodate longer trucks (up to 80 feet).

Also last year, the RIEDSBM invested \$70,000 in a container park that accepts dry materials such as wood, concrete, asphalt, computers, and television sets from individuals and businesses five days per week on a pay-by-weight basis.

Add to these expenses a \$10 per metric ton tax levied on landfills by the provincial government as an incentive to encourage users to landfill only that which cannot be recycled or reused, and the RIEDSBM's commitment to contribute \$75,000 per year toward the implementation of Brome-Missisquoi's waste management plan, and the result is higher fees for users.

According to Couture, however, even with the \$3.50 per metric ton price increase this year — which brings the rate to \$34 per ton for municipalities in Brome-Missisquoi and \$36 for the 15 municipalities outside of Brome-Missisquoi that have contracts with the RIEDSBM — the Cowansville landfill's users benefit from the lowest rates on the market.

About 50,000 of the 75,000 metric tons of garbage currently landfilled at the RIEDSBM come from Brome-Missisquoi; the other 25,000 come from Austin, East Bolton, Bromont, Potton Township, Eastman, Sabrevois, Saint-Alphonse de Granby, Saint-Étienne de Bolton, Clarenceville, and South Stukely.

Health and crime crises could dominate global security scene

The value of worldwide criminal activity between \$500 billion US and \$1.5 trillion

By James Gordon

Health crises and transnational criminal activity are poised to dominate the global security scene over the next 15 years, a major economic think-tank predicts, and Canada will be poorly protected against them.

In a new research report, the Conference Board of Canada says a likely "imminent" flu pandemic would kill 1.6-million Canadians and grind the manufacturing industry to a halt.

"Border disruptions would shatter integrated production lines and could last more than a year," the organization says. "Direct medical costs could surpass hundreds of millions of dollars."

It calls on Canadian businesses to prepare now by co-ordinating with government agencies, reduce the risk of disease transmission in the workplace and form plans to maintain essential business functions despite high employee absenteeism.

The report, titled: "Facing Risks: Global Security Trends and Canada," is the fourth in a series of five global economic forecasts issued by the board.

It notes health crises such as a flu pandemic "will worsen existing inequalities in Canada," such as concentration of income and regional disparities.

"The continuing challenges confronting Canada's public health-care system will create profound differences between those who can afford private care and those who cannot," the report says.

Transnational crime will also widen the rich-poor gap, according to the board.

"Criminal organizations do not need an epidemiological disaster to enrich their coffers," the report says, putting the value of worldwide criminal activity between \$500 billion US and \$1.5

trillion.

"This value is likely to increase in coming years, riding the many waves of globalization — from increasingly efficient transportation and communications networks, to the perpetuation of pockets of extremely poor governance," the document reads.

"Drug production and trafficking will remain the most significant illegal activity in the world."

To protect against health and crime risks, the board suggests enhancing and tailoring social programs to certain "vulnerable populations."

"There is some evidence that economic insecurity and poverty in Canada will be concentrated in distinct groups, particularly among aboriginal people and recent visible minority immigrants," the organization says. "The consequences of their vulnerabilities will generate wider social ills that will affect all Canadians."

The six-page report also makes reference to international terrorism, saying Canada is vulnerable to attacks on energy infrastructure aimed at disrupting service to the United States. "Managing our relations with the United States will be a perennial source of concern, especially since the primary market for our resources will remain the United States," it says.

On a global level, the board predicts: "The rise of Asia will have momentous security implications. A very cold peace will prevail and skirmishes may erupt between larger powers and their smaller neighbours."

In addition, more state and non-state organizations will obtain powerful weapons of mass destruction. Balances of power will keep them in check, but "the risk of dangerous accidents will increase."

While Canada will become increasingly marginal on the world stage by 2020, the organization argues the country can stay relevant by further entrenching itself in pertinent international organizations.

The Conference Board of Canada did not respond to a request for an interview about the report.

—CanWest News Service

Weather

Today: Cloudy. Periods of snow beginning in the morning and ending in the evening. Amount 2 to 4 cm. Wind southwest 20 km/h becoming light late in the day. High minus 5.

Wednesday: A mix of sun and cloud. Low minus 15. High minus 5.

Thursday: Periods of snow. Low minus 10. High minus 3.

Friday: Periods of snow. Low minus 13. High minus 7.

Ben by Daniel Shelton



Windsor's striking workers get a helping hand

Strike enters week three

By Brion Robinson
SHERBROOKE

About two dozen striking union workers in Windsor got a helping hand from some 46,500 fellow union members from across the province on Monday.

The president of the public service workers' federation visited the workers crowded around an open fire in front of the town hall Monday.

The Fédération des employés et employés de services publics (FEESP) represents some 46,500 workers. About 5,000 of which make up public service workers.

President Ginette Guérin said the workers' demands are no different than those of other unions and the federation is behind them all the way.

The union members have been on strike for about three weeks. They are demanding higher wages and more work hours.

The president of the municipal workers' union affiliated with the Confédération des syndicats nationaux (CSN), Alain Bisson, said he expected the strike to last this long, adding the union members are prepared to walk the picket lines as long as it takes.

Negotiations between both sides have been at a standstill since the mayor left for a Florida holiday last week and the town's general manager took a leave of absence.

The major sticking points include providing more hours for municipal workers and eliminating subcontracting. Work hours were cut and senior workers were laid off in the latest municipal budget.

Bisson said he understands the city's argument for subcontracting when workers get overloaded, but



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Striking town workers in Windsor crowded around an open fire in front of the town hall Monday. They want better wages and an increased workload.

doesn't believe work hours or jobs should be cut in favour of subcontracting.

"Some employees have had their work hours reduced from 30 to 10 hours a week," said the president. "Who can live off that?"

The striking workers want a long-term agreement with the town to hand over snow-clearing duties to municipal workers. The previous year, the

town signed a one-year contract with workers giving them a two per cent wage increase and responsibility for clearing snow from the roads — a job reserved for usually contractors.

The union said the project saved the town some \$47,000.

Bisson pointed out that councillors, who make decent wages, should recognize the importance of steady work and respect their right to fair wages

and working conditions.

Bisson said the union has been trying to contact the negotiator for the town but he hasn't returned calls. The workers have been on strike since Jan. 31.

They voted to strike after dozens of negotiation meetings came up short on both sides.

In a previous interview, Windsor Mayor Malcolm Wheeler told The Record the town cut services and raised taxes to prepare for a possible major decrease in tax revenue.

The town's largest tax payer, the Domtar paper mill, is expected to apply for a much lower tax rate based on its latest evaluation.

The mill, valued at \$116 million, contributes 46 per cent of the town's tax revenue. A significant devaluation could deplete the town's coffers.

Bisson said the union is prepared to work with the town if tax revenue decreases, but until that time its workers deserve more money and work hours.

The strike has been hard on the town's economy. Besides reduced work hours and fewer full-time workers, the strike has already lead to the cancellation of a Bantam hockey tournament.

Other services, including the library and indoor pool, have been put on hold. Town hall has also reduced its operating hours to two days per week — Thursday and Friday.

Local CSN president Jean Lacharité said the workers have been living off strike pay long enough and union members and taxpayers deserve more respect from their council.

"We want them to show us some respect," he said.

Bisson said union members will provide essential services like snow clearing and managing the drinking water but most municipal services will not be available.

Did dispute lead to fatal stairway shove?

Staff

The Sûreté du Québec is investigating a suspicious death in Asbestos Monday morning that apparently happened during a late-night altercation between friends.

A woman at 45 Coakley called police at about 12:45 a.m. Monday morning for a domestic dispute. By the time the SQ patrollers arrived on the scene the victim had already been taken away in an ambulance.

"The officers were able to determine that the victim had fallen down a flight of stairs," said SQ spokesman Const. Louis-Philippe Ruel. "But there is a question of if he was pushed or not."

The victim, a 45-year-old man, was

declared dead later at hospital.

Ruel said the man had apparently come to visit a coworker for the evening. A dispute escalated into a fight, and the visitor headed out the

door. He then fell down the stairs.

An autopsy is being carried out on the man to determine if he was pushed down the stairs and if that was what in fact killed him. If so his former friend, a

24 year-old, could face manslaughter or murder charges. Police arrested him and brought him in for questioning, holding him in custody pending his first court appearance.



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Asbestos residents asked to be vigilant with rehab residence

Maison L'Estime set up two years ago in the former Foyer Asbestos to treat addicts, alcoholics

By Stephen MacDougall
ASBESTOS

Townpeople opposed to the transformation of an old age home into a drug and alcohol detox centre want locals to be vigilante and contact authorities if they discover criminal acts they believe are linked to the centre.

"The centre has been told by the authorities to improve the way it operates and make reports to them on its progress," said Josée Frechette, a businesswoman and former member of the committee, on Monday.

"We ask all residents of Asbestos to be vigilant and report anything they believe is wrong or dangerous to the health authorities."

Maison L'Estime was set up two years

ago in the former Foyer Asbestos to treat addicts and alcoholics, many of whom were sent there by provincial courts and prisons across Quebec.

It had been the target of several complaints by Asbestos residents and business owners during that time. The complaints centred around shoplifting in town stores as well as vandalism and unsolved break-in investigations.

The sale of the former residence to the centre was delayed one year while the committee tried to negotiate with center staff on how to improve the treatment and supervision of the rehab residents.

When talks between the two sides broke down last summer, an investigator from the Estrie regional health agency was called in to find out if the centre's operation met government standards.

The investigator for the agency Michael Rochette told The Record there were some irregularities in the centre's operation, but not enough to have the residence shut down.

"We studied the meals, the state of health, the distribution of medications,

first aid, emergency measures, the attitude of the staff and the efforts for this residence to be certified by the government," said Rochette.

"We have let the centre know there has to be improvement every three months."

Following the agency's report, the centre was able to complete the purchase of the residence from its former owners, the Asbestos Hospital centre.

Rochette said the agency's investigation and subsequent report cannot be made public because it includes personal information and is therefore subject to provincial government privacy rules.

But he added the agency made three recommendations that it expects the centre to adhere to. That includes obtaining government certification for its rehabilitation operation; periodically reporting to the health board on efforts to improve and maintain services and establishing a complaint office in early 2006 for locals.

Officials for Maison L'Estime could not be reached for comment before press time.

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STALKING? OH NO, I WOULDN'T CALL IT STALKING: A city councilman in Northglenn, Colo., can't get used to the idea that his former girlfriend has moved on. After spotting her and her new beau on the highway, he followed them, honking his horn and flashing his lights. She called the cops. Over the next three days, he sent her 20 text messages, criticizing her new relationship. Then, he threw eggs at her new boyfriend's car twice in two days when he saw it parked in front of her house. When arrested, he told police he was not stalking her.

READY TO MEET THE DAY ARE WE? A man was arrested for drug possession in Monroe County, Fla. He was driving to work at the time. He was not wearing pants.

NO?? WHAT DO YOU MEAN, NO?? On Valentine's Day, a disc jockey in Coventry, England, brought his girlfriend to the studio and surprised her by proposing to her on the air. He expected her to accept. She did not.

FREAKED OUT? NO KIDDING: A woman in Cumbria, England, is still breastfeeding her daughter, despite the fact that she is eight years old. The child sometimes asks to be fed when they are in public, and mom always accommodates her. "I try to be discreet ... but people get freaked out by it," she said.

NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN, TOO! While shopping at the Wal-Mart in Newburgh, N.Y., an 18-year-old female ran into her ex-boyfriend with his new girlfriend. After a heated discussion during which the former lovers exchanged blows, she stabbed him. Authorities weren't surprised. The two had gotten into a fistfight at another department store two weeks earlier.

I COULDN'T TAKE BEING LOCKED UP: In order to dodge an 18-month jail sentence, a man in the Czech Republic hid in a walled-off cellar area beneath his mother's kitchen floor — for four years.

YOU AGAIN? A man in Bochum, Germany, fled from a cab to beat the fare after the driver took him to his destination. The man waited for a while, then called for another cab to take him somewhere else. Much to his surprise, the same driver came to pick him up.

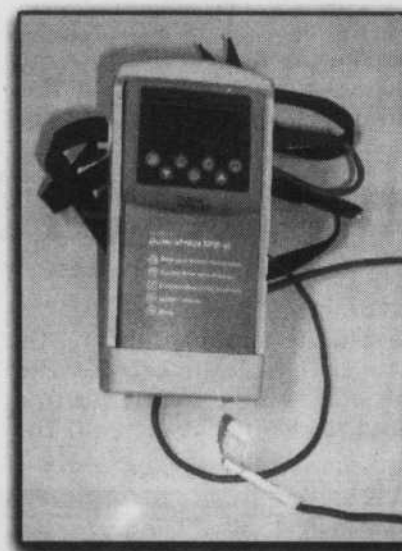
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Sherbrooke gives capital fund needed boost

By Marissa Larouche-Smart
SHERBROOKE

The city of Sherbrooke announced Monday it plans to give the Ensemble campaign a boost by offering tax breaks in hopes of attracting more investors.

La campagne Ensemble is a capital fund that links the University of Sherbrooke, the Centre hospitalier universitaire de Sherbrooke (CHUS), Health and Social Services — Sherbrooke University Geriatric Institute as well as the Séminaire de Sherbrooke. The partnership is devoted to improving their health, research and education resources.

Mayor Jean Perrault said the City will reinvest half of the taxes it will collect from new projects generated by the Ensemble campaign over the next 10 years.

"I am delighted and proud of this partnership which demonstrates Sherbrooke's strong desire to take its economic future in hand by sticking with along credible and dynamic partners," he said during Monday's press conference.

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At the end of the 10-year period, the city will collect the total of the revenues generated by these new projects. Perrault also pointed out that direct and indirect jobs will be created.

In September, 2005, Henri-Paul Rousseau, president of the Ensemble campaign, announced they raised \$60.5 million of their projected \$90 million. Now with the city backing the project, stake holders hope to add a competitive edge to their bids aiming to attract investors for Sherbrooke's health and education institutions.

This project is hailed to be a "win, win, win" according to Patricia Gauthier, CHUS director, because it benefits all institutions involved, and the money will give a helping hand to research projects that lack funding.

Bruno-Marie Béchar, University of Sherbrooke rector, spoke for Rousseau and said that joining such a partnership sends a clear message to future donors that the City of Sherbrooke is committed to its health, education and research institutions.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Pictured are Sherbrooke Mayor Jean Perrault, CHUS director Patricia Gauthier, campaign president Henri-Paul Rousseau and University of Sherbrooke rector Bruno-Marie Béchar.

Townshippers', partners want to improve rural transportation

Townshippers' Association is conducting a needs assessment and feasibility study to improve rural transportation services for the English-speaking community in the Eastern Townships.

This study will explore initiatives that exist now or are envisaged in the Townships, as well as success stories in other geographical regions.

Following a January call for bids, the services of Groupe Recherche Focus have been retained to study and recommend a plan of action for meeting transportation needs in outlying areas.

"English-speaking people are scattered widely across the Eastern Townships, and transportation is a key need that has been mentioned again and again," noted Heather Bowman, president of Townshippers' Association. "English speakers aged 15-44 have lower levels of education, employment and income than their French-speaking counterparts. It's a vicious cycle. Lack of transportation contributes to lack of education, which leads to lack of employment and lower income. Townshippers' Association is exploring ways to turn this around."

Partners include the Megantic County Development Corporation in the Thetford Mines area, the Lennoxville & District Women's Centre in the Estrie region, the Avante Women's Centre in the Townships portion of the Montérégie and the Eastern Townships School Board, among others. The study is funded by the Department of Canadian Heritage's Development of Official-Language Communities program.

For more information, contact Townshippers' Association's Lennoxville office at 819-566-5717 (toll free 1-866-566-5717) or ta@townshippers.qc.ca.

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Sometimes political ideas are like inventions. They may very well be original, but not necessarily timely enough to qualify for patents. That's right; somebody else either conceived the idea first or at least won the race to the patent office.

That's the way it was on Valentine's Day when I suggested in this space that Stephen Harper's appointment of an

elected Liberal Member of Parliament to his Conservative Cabinet supported a case for proportional representation. And surprise, surprise; in other papers, the same brain wave appeared.

Some scribblers might react negatively to finding that they've been beaten to the punch, but this one takes it as encouraging that others see merit in

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the same notion and is spurred on to expand on it.

According to polls, the concept of proportional representation is widely supported by Canadian voters and if our governments, federal and provincial at least, don't move toward addressing the pitfalls of our present winner-takes-all system of assigning representation, Canada will remain a member of a very exclusive club.

Most democracies have gone the proportional representation route and, despite some problems, have stayed with it. For what it's worth, here's my suggestion for step one, at least, toward proportional representation.

In order to introduce a level of proportional representation in the House of Commons without waiting for resolution of the inevitable endless debates over how to apply proportional representation to the House as a whole, Parliament could amend present practice of Cabinet selection so that it is composed of MPs from all parties elected (and recognized as parties according to present rules) on a proportional-to-popular-support basis.

That is, the Cabinet would be a multi-party body with ministers chosen in accordance with each party's proportion of popular support. (Example: if the Conservatives earn 40 per cent of the popular vote, the Liberals get 30 per cent, the NDP has 20 per cent and the Bloc is supported by 10 per cent, then 40 per cent of the Cabinet Ministers would be Conservatives, 30 per cent would be Liberals and so on.)

This way, even if the House of Commons seats were not close to proportional, at least the Cabinet composition would be. And since the Prime Minister is a Cabinet member, he (or she) ought to be the leader of the party with the greatest public support, not necessarily the leader of the party with the most seats.

I can hear the reaction already to the possibility that Bloc Québécois MPs could hold Cabinet posts, but does that really make any less sense than separatists sitting in the Parliament of the country they are intent on destroying, even being recognized as Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition?

With a proportional representation Cabinet, just think how different the reaction would have been to David Emerson's appointment to Cabinet from what we have just witnessed.

Emerson's supporters would still be represented by the Liberal they elected and given the added advantage of representation in both the House of Commons as a whole as well as in the Cabinet.

Even though the Liberals weren't chosen by present rules to govern, they would still exercise influence more in keeping with their level of popular support. I sincerely hope that readers recognize that this proposal is intended to generate thoughts and discussions within a serious look at proportional representation.

In no way is it intended as anything like a take-it-or-leave-it proposition. If readers keep in mind that The Record sees itself as a community newspaper — a forum for the exchange of ideas — some will, I hope, be stimulated to respond.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Let's be honest about dollars at Montjoye

DEAR EDITOR,

Gina Fattore, councillor for Hatley Township, said she was opposed to the tree cutting in Montjoye Park and that she didn't plan to give up her fight.

Mayor Levac told landowner Pierre Guilbault that the cutting would only last a few months and the contractors for the board would be clearing mainly underbrush and dead trees.

Well, eight months have past and I don't know if they have stopped logging yet; but I understand that an average logging truck will hold 50 logs and each log can be 16 feet long.

The average price for a log is somewhere between \$100 and \$500, depending on how they are graded. I am

not an expert on logs, but a middle of the road price would be \$250 per log, so \$250 x 50 logs is \$12,500 per day.

Take that and make it over four weeks and you've got \$62,000.

The total for our eight months is then \$2 million. Not bad for a ski area that used to operate on next to nothing for overhead.

I didn't know underbrush and old trees were worth so much and we must remember all this for the benefit of the skiers, hikers and tourists of the region.

The municipality said it would only make \$10,000 from the cutting.

My family has lived in the Townships since 1860 and we still own property in the area and we pay taxes to the city of Sherbrooke. It upsets me to see parts of the last wilderness in southern Quebec being destroyed for the almighty dollar.

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Perspectives

Don Cherry go home

Don Cherry has no business being in Turin with the CBC broadcast squad. Whether he has any business being on television at all is an argument for another day.

But Cherry — lovable loudmouth, or cantankerous blowhard — is the antithesis of the Olympic spirit. His heroes are the toothless millionaires of the NHL, goons and skill players alike — but he has a well-known soft spot for the goons. He has eased up on those sissy Europeans in recent years, the ones who are whomping Canada in Italy. The heralded Canadian men's team was beaten by the Swiss. You don't get much more European than that. Then the Finns. Who will beat them next? The girls' team?

In fact, Canada's women were playing for gold on Monday, after an effortless march through the earlier competition.

They played so well that Cherry, usually a fan of women's hockey, scolded them for "running up the score." If they keep behaving that way, he grouched, the Europeans who run the Olympics will drop hockey the way baseball was dropped from the summer games because one country was too dominant.

Danielle Savageau, who coached the Canadian women to gold in Salt Lake City in 2000, wasn't impressed with Cherry's logic: "Would people expect Tiger Woods to bogey a hole on purpose if he had a 10-stroke lead?" she asked.

Of course, she is a female coach and Cherry has been critical of women's coaches. Without challenging his superior wisdom in these matters, Canada's current team has a female coach, Melody Davidson — the only woman in the field — and it isn't doing half bad.

After Canada (the girls) shellacked Finland 6-0, CBC women's hockey commentator Kylie Richardson gently twitted Cherry for his past remarks. He didn't like that one bit, nor did he appreciate Canadian captain Cassie Campbell, who wasn't eager to embrace his advice about not scoring so many goals. Not to worry. The men's team seems to have got Cherry's message loud and clear.

Still, it isn't fair to blame Cherry alone for hijacking coverage of the games, for hogging a spotlight that more properly belongs to skilled athletes who labour in obscurity for their moment with Ron MacLean. The whole NHLentourage — the players who are taking a break from their real jobs to play some international pond hockey; the scandals trailing them; questions about illegal drug use in the NHL; the

dubious resumes of convicted thug Todd Bertuzzi, or Dany Heatley, charged with vehicular homicide; Jose Theodore's hair restoration remedy — all of it contradicts the Olympic spirit. Besides, these guys are professionals; they have no more right to be in Turin than the Ice Capades' clown.

This isn't hockey night in Canada. It's the Olympics — flawed, overdone, but still inspiring. The unknowns who compete — Beckie Scott, Cindy Klassen, Duff Gibson to name a few — get one chance every four years to shine. And they do: it isn't just their performances that inspire, but the sacrifice, character and discipline they need to get to Turin, never mind to the podium. Cherry should go home, take his pals with him, and leave the stage to sport's true heroes.

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Canadian drugmaker labelled a bio-pirate in international study

By Steven Edwards

The Canadian maker of a supposed natural treatment for impotence is branded a suspected "bio-pirate" by U.S. and South African environmental groups in a new study.

The term refers to acquiring biological resources, ranging from plants to bacteria, without giving the country of origin a chance to negotiate a slice of any eventual profits.

A United Nations bio-diversity convention grants countries sovereign rights over their flora and fauna, but there is little a government can do to claim compensation once a natural material is taken overseas.

Canada will be a part of international talks in Brazil next month at which developing countries will lead calls for an eventual deal on who gets what.

The new study — "Out of Africa: Mysteries of Access and Benefit Sharing" — points a finger of suspicion at some of the world's biggest pharmaceutical companies as it focuses on natural material taken from the world's poorest continent to Western laboratories.

"We're against theft and against not recognizing these things couldn't have happened without the countries from which they were taken," said Beth Burrows, head of the Edmonds Institute in Washington state, which co-published the 54-page study with the African Centre for Biosafety. "It's not simply that someone (takes a) plant. They also talk to people who say: 'You know we've been using this for 500 years.' That's their early science, and they deserve recognition, remuneration and respect."

Written by Jay McGown, a leading advocate of country-of-origin rights, the report says the Canadian company Option Biotech has patented the seeds of Aframomum stipulatum of the Republic of Congo (Brazzaville) "for use in" its product Biovigora, marketed as a sex-enhancer.

McGown describes the plant as a member of the ginger family with "documented uses in Congolese traditional

medicine."

A Web site promotion of Biovigora says Africans used Aframomum to season food, and tribesmen who consumed the "rare spice" were locally renowned "for centuries ... for their particularly high vitality and their sexual capacities."

The seeds of Aframomum were "brought to a laboratory" for analysis, the company continues, adding on another Web page "scientists of Canada ... discovered that Aframomum ... was at the source of this sexual vitality."

McGown says the company has promoted the product as a natural alternative to the anti-impotence drug Viagra.

"While 'Biovigora' may never rival Viagra as a multi-billion dollar money-maker, it is a patented Option Biotech property sold at more than 750 stores across Canada," he writes, saying it costs \$34.99 for 24 capsules.

But he adds his review of the company's "available information" failed to produce evidence of a benefit sharing agreement — either with Congo or "any other country where A. stipulatum is used." Burrows writes time restraints meant McGown's research was not exhaustive.

Health Canada says Biovigora has yet to be authorized for sale in Canada — though the company has applied for a licence, and the paperwork is working its way through the bureaucratic channels. Health Canada spokeswoman Nathalie Lalonde said department inspectors would be informed "for follow-up" that sales may be underway.

No one from Option Biotech — also believed to have traded as Oasis Biotech, and said to operate from Sainte-Julie — returned calls for comment.

China, India and Brazil — all with a huge diversity of plant and animal life — stand to benefit most from a benefits-sharing deal. But many Western companies argue they're entitled to what they get because they finance the often huge research-and-development costs with no guarantee of success.

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Compared to last year, Ménard noticed that more people than ever were putting their names down on waiting lists for a flu shot. With the pandemic flu scare in October and November, more people were asking for a preventive flu shot than in previous years.

However, flu season is not over yet. Quebec Ministry of Health spokesper-

son Dominique Breton said the flu season has not peaked in the United States or Europe either.

"Flu season is late this year, but it will eventually come around. Maybe in two weeks," Breton said.

While the flu season usually peaks at the end of January or early February, Breton said it will probably peak in early March.

It is still too early to say we will not have a flu epidemic this year. For now, Quebec public health specialists are still on the look out for a sign the flu season has arrived.

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Dyer widens young perspectives

*'He helped students
think outside the
box,' says teacher*

By Jen Young
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

The Alexander Galt library was a wealth of information last Wednesday, more so than usual, as military strategist Gwynne Dyer broadened perspectives and brought Level 4 and 5 students up to speed on terrorism.

Dyer, who is renowned for his commentary and analysis of the Gulf War on CBC television and his award-winning television series War, began his afternoon lecture by explaining that his job is simply to make sense of "stuff" while it's happening.

"Now is when decisions are being made," said Dyer. "Later is too late, that's when there's regret. The hardest period of my career has been since 9/11. Being lied to more and more. The world is sliding in a dangerous direction."

Though his opening comments seemed almost eerie and unnerving, he remained objective and reassuring, recounting the otherwise complicated situation involving the Middle East and terrorism.

English history teacher Morgan Quinn said it affected the students.

Quinn stated: "He gave us the opportunity to think on a global level. The audience was completely captivated by his lecture."

Dyer's visit came with a price, which no one regretted forking over.

"The school subsidized some, as did the student's council, but interested students were asked to pay \$2 to hear the lecture, and they felt like they were getting a deal," Quinn stated. "As educators, if we can find a way to stimulate their thinking then we are successful. Our objective is to get students to think outside the box, and Mr. Dyer's lecture definitely did that."

On a more personal note, Quinn said this was the fourth time he heard Dyer speak.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Military strategist and historian Gwynne Dyer made sense of terrorism and opened doors for his young audience at Alexander Galt.

"It definitely didn't feel like it was an hour. He spoke at the level of his audience. He added in humor and he absolutely kept their attention."

Level 4 student Kyle Loadenthal said he has always had an interest in the Iraq situation and Dyer's lecture enforced that.

"I was already thinking that the issue was being overhyped by the media," he said. "He had a lot of points that a lot of us hadn't heard before. It was the connection he made between 9/11 and what is presently happening in Iraq that I really found interesting. I have a cousin in

Palestine and I was talking to him about all of this. The situation in the Middle East is definitely something I would like to look into more, and I plan on continuing to follow it."

Dyer explained 9/11 in depth.

"That group of terrorists just happened to get lucky that day," Dyer said. "Bin Laden knew exactly how this would go. What we see on the news everyday; another American soldier mistreating Muslims, and innocent victims, or collateral damage as we call it, is exactly what they were hoping for."

One student, Khadijah Taseen, presi-

dent of the Galt student council, followed the lecture very carefully because the situation affects her in a different manner than that of her classmates.

"My family is filled with political junkies so I was quite knowledgeable before the lecture," she said. "Being Muslim, we have followed the situation pretty closely, but Mr. Dyer really opened up a lot of doors for me."

"I have cousins who live in the United States and they feel as though their surroundings are biased. We live in Canada so the situation is definitely not like that and I was glad to hear him say that not all Muslims are terrorists. He showed how every culture has fanatics."

Taseen remarked on Dyer's political correctness.

"One thing that Mr. Dyer opened my eyes to was why September 11 happened at all. He really plated both perspectives. He told of how President Bush was not solely to blame for the war."

Dyer caused eyebrows to raise when he explained that attacking Iraq was actually on the agenda before Bush's time.

"When Clinton was in office he was urged to attack Iraq, but he had problems of his own at that time, and it was never acted on," Dyer said. "Until 9/11 that is."

Dyer gave a small biography on Osama Bin Laden.

"He was under 30 years old when he created Al-Qaeda and his strategy was to attack the West, which was essentially the United States, with terrorist methods."

His lecture proved successful in easing some worried minds, including that of Anna Goldfinch.

"I knew that the United States was playing it up, but this helped scale it down," said the 16 year old. "It's still important but he really put it all into perspective. This was the first time I actually sat down and heard the whole story and I think everyone needs to hear what he has to say. People are less informed than we think we are."

Students, staff get close shave for cancer cure

By Jen Young
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Everybody was looking court-side Saturday during Bishop's Winter Homecoming basketball games as razors started buzzing and individuals, such as the university's Dave McBride and principal Robert Poupart, took their seats to lose their hair.

The event raised \$10,084.27 for those living with cancer. Organizer Jenn Kang boasted of an exceptional fundraiser.

"Everybody has been touched by cancer in one way or another," said a bald Kang after having her head shaved for the cause.

She donated 17 inches of brown locks to be made into wigs. "Cancer research is very important, but so is support to individuals, and their families, who are living with the disease. Proceeds will go to supporting patients."

"I lost an uncle to brain cancer and I have another under treatment, which is why I wanted these proceeds to go to practical reasons, like phone lines and transportation."

Kang, who got the fundraiser idea from peer Connor Quinn, was definitely not alone when it came time to be shaved by Lennoxville's Clin d'Oeil hair stylists. In fact, enough funds were raised to force Poupart under the razor as well.

"We sent faculty-wide requests for volunteers for the fundraiser and we



MARC PROULX/SPECIAL

Bishop's University's David McBride's head was on the shaving block, so to speak, during Saturday's first ever Fresh Start Fundraiser organized by student Jenn Kang to raise funds for cancer research and support.

didn't get a very large response so we went around asking for help," said Kang. "Our ultimate goal was to raise \$5,000 and if we did, then principal Poupart would also agree to have his head shaved. In the end we collected double what we were hoping to raise."

Development and public relations director David McBride, who agreed to have his hair shaved if \$2,000 was raised, admitted to being a little nervous.

"I'm a little worried it won't grow back," he joked. "I have had family members touched by the disease, so having my head shaved is a small price to pay for the greater good."

McBride added said the university

was lucky to have such dedicated students, as Kang, to organize these types of events with such widespread meaning.

In all, under a dozen individuals left the John H. Price Sports Complex a little cooler than they came in. ITS Helpdesk's Ian Kent, SRC president Louis Ialenti, SRC vice-president finance and administration Mark McLaughlin, psychology professor Stuart McKelvie, McBride, Kang and Poupart made sure they had a warm winter toque handy.

Dean of student affairs Bruce Stevenson and hospitality director Deborah Langford were let off the hook, since they were unable to attend

the event, but their day under the razor will be today.

Kang says she feels as though the endeavor has brought her a great privilege.

"It's been neat having my head shaved," Kang said after a day with her new look. "I've been able to experience two versions of it already. When they shaved my head at the game, it was with an electric razor, so some hair was left, and it felt very fuzzy. Friends and even strangers were rubbing my head for the rest of the night and that's a really great feeling. Then I decided to shave it down to the skin since I was so close already and will probably never get to experience the feeling any other time. Now my head feels more like velcro, and I can feel air on it more than I could before."

"I like the look of the closer shave better, but I prefer the feeling of the buzz cut."

Kang said the reaction from others surprised her.

"Complete strangers were approaching me to say thank you to us for doing what we did," she said. "A few students told me about how much it meant to them that I had my hair shaved, because someone close to them was struggling with cancer or they had gone through it personally."

"One woman took off her wig for me. She showed me how the real hair is used, and thanked me for donating mine because it means so much to the individuals who receive it."

Donations for the head shaving were not the only means of raising funds. Student residences held penny wars and collection jars were placed around town. Kang is hopeful the event will become annual.

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Coyotes are close: NH resident

By Jen Young
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

While walking her dog Happy last Friday morning, North Hatley resident Janna Kendall came across a horrific sight. She felt a need to warn her community.

"Every morning we walk down around the PV (Pleasant View Public Beach), a lot of people do," said Kendall. "When we were about 10 feet from the PV Happy got a scent and was anxious to get into the field. After walking a little closer I saw blood and figured 'Oh, something got a pheasant or something', but it definitely wasn't a pheasant."

After closer examination, Kendall took a step back when she realized the carcass had teeth.

"After looking at it I realized that it was a dead deer," she said. "I saw the tracks around the carcass and knew that it was coyotes. I knew it was coyotes because they have two longer claws in the front of their paws and there were at least four or five of them."

Kendall felt uneasy about how close the tracks were to civilization so she called someone she knew would have further information, and he confirmed her suspicions.

"I called a friend of mine who is a coyote hunter and he warned me to be careful. He believes that if the coyotes are brave enough to come that close to town then people should be cautious about walking their dogs, or leaving them tied outside," she said.

"I know that coyotes will attack smaller or sickly animals so I also worry about my neighbours' cats."

Kendall sees deer regularly on her daily walks, but this was the first time she's seen one hunted down.

"I feel like it's my responsibility to warn the community. I'm not the only one who walks or skis around the PV with my dog, and I would hope that if someone else saw something that could be potentially dangerous they would also inform the community."

Kendall has warned her community and neighbours to stay alert and use caution. She believes this incident is an indication of how familiar the coyotes are becoming with civilization and how desperate they are because of a lack of food.

Pratchett's books suited for ages nine to 99

Fantasy lovers everywhere will be thrilled to know that the library has some of Terry Pratchett's books on its shelves.

Pratchett is the well-known and amazingly prolific author of the Discworld series (among others). These books are intended for older children but they are so well written (and often satiric) that adults will enjoy them just as well.

A Hat Full of Sky is the story of Tiffany Aching, an eleven-year-old witch who moves away to live with Miss Level as a sort of witch-hood apprenticeship. As it turns out, Miss Level is no ordinary woman. There are two of her, and they both have rather different ideas of witchery than Tiffany had imagined. She'd always believed a real witch would perform feats of magic, but Miss Level's witchery is more along the lines of sainthood: going around the neighbourhood performing good deeds for

others with little hope of getting paid for them.

Tiffany, however, ends up contending with far more than just the problem of how to become a good witch. There is a hiver on the loose, which is basically a cluster of evil buzzing around looking for a body to possess and transform into its vehicle of nastiness. It finds Tiffany. Somehow she must fight it, but she is going to need help.

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CANADA READS AT THE LIBRARY

Please join us on Thursday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. at the library for an evening of readings from the selections for Canada Reads.

Many people are probably familiar with the popular CBC program, Canada Reads, which has become an annual event. Celebrated panelists choose five Canadian books. They are debated during one week of programs (beginning April 17th) and every day a book is voted off the list until the winner remains: the book that every Canadian should read.

The selections this year include: Deafening, by Frances Itani; Cocksure, by Mordecai Richler; Three Day Road, by Joseph Boyden; Rooms for Rent in the Outer Planets: Selected Poems 1962-1996, by Al Purdy; and A Complicated Kindness, by Miriam Toews. They are all available at the library.

BOOK ENDS

• The next meeting of the Books and Brown Bags Lunches reading club will be on Wednesday, Feb. 22, from noon to 1 p.m. at the library.

• The next children's story and crafts time will take place on Saturday, March 11 at 1:30 p.m. at the library. The theme will be spring.

For information on all library events, call us at 819-562-4949 or visit our Web site, www.lennoxvillelibrary.ca. You can also reach us by e-mail at bibliolen@netrevolution.com.

Reading circle enhances, enforces literacy



MARC PROULX/SPECIAL

Bishops' students volunteer every Friday afternoon to help youth improve their reading skills.

'Tutors offer one-on-one reading time,' says co-ordinator

By Jen Young
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Every Friday afternoon tutors from Bishop's University meet with local youth to help them be the readers they have the potential to be.

Readers meet their tutors after school and walk down to the community centre where they embark on an hour of crafts and reading fun.

"Friday meetings are all about reading," said co-ordinator Jill Dewtie. "Literacy is extremely important and it is the key to success. The circle is for young readers at any level, not just those who are struggling."

She emphasized how important it is for advanced readers to get a chance to read out loud and with others to continue to excel.

The Reading Circle is an initiative from Bishop's long running Frontier College, which carries the same name and mission as the national organization, but is actually a club created through the university, focusing on boosting local literary skills.

Dewtie, who started with the organization as a volunteer tutor, said the after school reading circle can also help children focus on school work.

"With large classes it may be difficult for some students to get one-on-one reading attention," she said. "We didn't have a very large turn out last year, which is why we approached the

schools this year."

Reading meetings began two weeks ago and will run until about April, free of any charges, and tutors say the sooner a child gets involved, the better.

"There is no deadline for the program," concluded Dewtie. "But it's definitely better for the children to get involved sooner than later to give them more reading time."

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Sherbrooke coaches pleased with recruiting



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

The Sherbrooke Vert & Or football team already has 24 players committed to playing the 2006 season. The team's recruiting process has become more selective since the team was formed in 2003. Coaches believe that more and more people want to come to Sherbrooke.

Twenty-four new players commit to Vert & Or

By Mike Hickey
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD
SHERBROOKE

The Sherbrooke Vert & Or held a brunch Sunday morning at the Sherbrooke Golf Club to talk about their recruiting efforts to team boosters and the news was good.

Not only have Vert & Or received commitments from over 20 players and are closing in on a few more blue-

chip prospects, but their recruiting focus has changed since the university returned to competitive football three years ago.

Offensive co-ordinator Marc Schryburt expressed satisfaction with the recruitment to date and stated frankly that the program is now more selective than in previous years.

"In the beginning of the program we recruited anyone that was interested in coming to Sherbrooke," Schryburt said prior to Sunday's brunch. "Now we are recruiting better quality student-athletes and are more selective in whom we are recruiting."

Counting several players who entered school in January, the Vert & Or have 24 new players committed for the 2006 season. Schryburt said the school is still pursuing four or five quality players.

The Vert & Or have shown steady improvement since fielding a team in 2003. This past year they reached a milestone by qualifying for the Quebec University Football League play-offs for the first time in school history.

Now they want to take another step in that development and be more competitive with the league's elite,

such as three-time league champion the Laval Rouge et Or.

Schryburt explained that the coaching staff is pleased with the team's winter workouts.

"We work out five times a week, alternating between weights, running and agility," the veteran coach said. "We are very pleased with the effort that we have been getting from the players, everyone is excited about the coming season."

The Vert & Or will continue those workouts until March when they are scheduled to conduct spring training in the school's spacious fieldhouse.

UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL

Bishop's women squeak by Martlets, 67-65

By Mike Hickey

SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

The Bishop's Gaiters women's basketball team staged a late second-half rally to defeat the McGill Martlets 67-65 Sunday afternoon to finish the 2005-06 Quebec conference season with a 13-3 record.

While the game itself had no bearing on the Gaiters' final league standings, the win was important for several reasons.

"This was all about confidence," veteran Anouk Boulanger said. "We lost to McGill at home earlier and now it was payback time beating them for the second time in their gym. This is a good preparation for the playoffs. I think it is important that we beat UQAM and McGill in the final week of the season because we will play one of them in the

first round of the playoffs.

"We need to attack on offence and to do that we have to defend and rebound, two things we didn't do in the first half."

The Martlets led 35-29 at halftime and extended the lead to 55-44 with nine minutes remaining in the game when veteran Carly Clarke turned the game around in the span of a minute as she drained three consecutive three-pointers to cut the Gaiters' deficit to two points.

Clarke's burst was part of an 18-6 run that gave Bishop's the lead, although the game remained in doubt until the final buzzer.

Emile Crofton's foul shot with 54 seconds left in the game gave the Gaiters a 67-61 lead but Sherbrooke native Isabelle Provencher nailed a three-point-

er to cut the Bishop's lead to 67-64.

A traveling call nullified a basket by Marie-Eve Lefebvre. Bishop's then fouled Christine Kennedy who made one of two foul shots with eight seconds left on the clock. But the Martlets couldn't get any closer.

Crofton had a game-high 22 points while Laure Pitfield had a double-double with 13 points and 10 rebounds. Provencher led McGill with 15 points while six-foot-four Julianne Noseworthy had 10 points and 10 rebounds.

"We have not been in many close games this semester and this was exactly what we needed heading into (the) playoffs," head coach Rod Gilpin said after the game. "As a team we shot the ball well again going 10-22 from the three-point line."

Point guard France Lanoie, who

played briefly Saturday night but did not dress Sunday, will test her injured knee this week before a decision on whether she will be able to play in the upcoming playoffs.

"My first goal was to be able to play against UQAM yesterday (Saturday)," Lanoie said on Sunday night. "That game was something special and it went okay but I don't know if I am going to be ready for a playoff game. Rod and I are going to shoot this weekend and see how it goes."

Lanoie admitted the odds are against her playing again although she was encouraged by her brief play on Saturday.

The Gaiters will host either UQAM or McGill a week from Thursday at Mitchell Gymnasium in Lennoxville. They are 4-0 against UQAM and 3-1 versus McGill.

Men edge McGill in regular season finale

STAFF

"That's it!" Ricardo Telamon uttered after he helped the Bishop's Gaiters men's basketball team to a one-point win over the McGill Redmen on Sunday night. The Gaiters finished the 2005-06 regular season with a 9-6 record.

The Gaiters bounced back from a disappointing loss to UQAM Saturday night to edge the Redmen 64-63 in Montreal in a game that was not as close as the final score would indicate.

The win enabled the Gaiters to triple their victory total in league play from 2005-06 and the turn around included

four wins against Top 10 teams.

"I think it was really good that we finished the regular season with a win," Telamon said on the bus ride back to Lennoxville. "Now we can work on correcting mistakes and get ready for Laval. Mentally we have to get everyone ready; it is just as coach Pomykala said — determination is the key for us."

The Gaiters still have a chance to finish in second place and host Laval in a semi-final playoff game a week from Friday. If Laval loses one of its two remaining games then Bishop's grabs second place. If Laval wins its final two games it comes in sec-

ond and will host Bishop's.

"Good basketball teams play three seasons in one," Pomykala told his players after the game. "The first season is the pre-season, then the regular season and if a team is good enough, the playoffs. We wanted to be playing in March and we accomplished that."

"In the first round we are playing against a quality team that we have beaten at home and on the road. We just have to play with determination, with an edge and with a focus"

After a slow start in which the Redmen jumped out to a 7-0 lead, the Gaiters appeared to be in control for most of the game until McGill made a push in the final three minutes of play, cutting a 10-

point deficit to a single point on a three-point play by Granby native Yan Chouinard with just over a minute to play.

With the game on the line Bishop's responded at the foul line as Jeff Szita scored three times and Kevin Watson and Junior Nicolas added one apiece to give the Gaiters a 62-58 lead with five seconds left in the game.

McGill's Louis-Philippe Lagredelle hit a long three-pointer at the buzzer to pull the Redmen to within a point.

Szita finished the game with 19 points, 11 rebounds, three blocked shots and a pair of assists while Cam McDonald came off the bench to score 12. Olivier Lamoureux led McGill with 13 points while Chouinard added 12.

The Gaiters are now off until March 3 when they meet Laval at a site to be determined this weekend.

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PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Head Coach Eddie Pomykala and his men's basketball team ended a successful regular season with a win over McGill.

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2006

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Don't let any persons with whom you have dealings today believe that you are erratic or inconsistent, especially where your work is concerned. It would definitely hurt your image.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — If you're doing any important mental work today, have someone go behind you and check over what you've done. A serious mistake could slip through and cause you a great deal of trouble.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Don't let someone off the hook today who is obligated to you just because you are too embarrassed to broach the subject. This person will use your sensitivities to his or her advantage.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Should you be saddled once again with an unreliable ally today who hasn't produced in all other previous involvements, don't make the mistake of thinking this person will do so now.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Strive to be methodical and orderly where your work is concerned today. If your procedures are faulty, the end results will be as well — causing a great deal of problems for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Wishful thinking mustn't be allowed to replace reality today or else you could believe in something that isn't true and react as if it were. You'll end up being a loser.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You could be a disruptive factor on the home front today if you refuse to be cooperative and harmonious with other relatives. It would affect domestic tranquility for the entire family.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Be careful today that you don't get all excited about or involved in trying to promote something that the world doesn't want or need. What you have to offer must be useful and make sense.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Unfortunately, it won't take much to arouse your extravagant inclinations today, so try to keep this foremost in your mind if you should go shopping. To be safe, leave your credit cards home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Your affairs aren't apt to run like a well-oiled machine today, so be prepared to deal with the unexpected. If you're on your toes, you're not apt to get flustered and avoid causing a mishap.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Usually you don't respond to hunches without overt verification, but today you could impulsively respond to a misleading feeling just because you like it and make a costly mistake.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Be particularly careful today in any dealings you have with friends where money is involved. There's a strong possibility that a misunderstanding could arise over something unexpected.

In Memoriams

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Of the ones gone to rest
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AND FAMILY

Card of Thanks

SHATTUCK - Many thanks to all those folks who sent me get-well cards. I got over one hundred. Eaton-Dudswell-Victoria Parish, Hut, Curling Club, Bulwer Golden Age, Lennoxville Golden Age, the delicious food and flowers, Rev. Sister Mary Florence Liew, Rev. Barbara Willard. It certainly was appreciated to think I know so many wonderful people.
DOROTHY SHATTUCK

Death



HALLAM, Ruby (nee McGeary) - Suddenly at the CHUS Fleurimont Pavillion, on Friday, February 17, 2006. Ruby McGeary, in her 83rd year, beloved wife of Ashton Hallam, much loved mother of Michael (Jo-Ann Drew), Susan (David Millroy) and Maureen (Danny Lemay), loving nannie to Colleen, Brent, Kim, Todd, Rhiannon, Alyssa, Brennan, Chris and Jamie, and great-grandmother of Cameron, Teigan, Patrick, Sean, Liam and Aiden. Predeceased by her brother Jimmy. Also left to mourn are many friends and other relatives. Resting at the Steve L. Elkas Funeral Home, 601 Conseil Street, Sherbrooke, Quebec, Tel.: 819-565-1155, fax: 819-820-8872. Visitation on Wednesday, February 22, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Thursday, February 23 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. The funeral service will be held at Steve L. Elkas Funeral Home, Thursday, February 23 at 11:00 a.m. Interment at St-Anthony Cemetery in Lennoxville. As memorial tributes, contributions to the Canadian Heart and Stroke Foundation of Quebec, 2631 King Street West, Office 100, Sherbrooke, QC, J1J 2H1, would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Death

OWEN, Waldo Munn: August 3, 1920 - February 17, 2006 - Mr. Waldo Munn Owen, 85, of East Hereford, QC, passed away Friday evening, February 17, 2006, at the Coaticook Hospital. Mr. Owen was born August 3, 1920, in Hereford, son of the late Munn and Gladys (Bolton) Owen. Mr. Owen grew up on the family farm and later worked as a hired hand on several other farms while also driving truck. His primary employer was Tillotson Farm and Forest where he planted and harvested Christmas trees for several years. His many interests included playing cribbage, taking long car rides and visiting with family and friends. Mr. Owen is survived by two step-daughters Cheryl Clogston and husband Bruce, of Pittsburg, NH, and Nancy Melton of Exeter, NH; two brothers Elmer "Sam" Owen of East Hereford and Edward "Ted" Owen and wife Elsie, of Pittsburg, NH; a sister Evelyn Owen of Salem, NH; two granddaughters Sheree Champagne and husband Lucas and Sarah Clogston and fiancé Kenny Guay; a great-grandson Nicholas Champagne; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins in Canada and the United States. Mr. Owen is preceded in death by his parents; his longtime companion Gertrude Owen; a sister Lila Owen Howe; two brothers Percy Owen and Dean Owen, and a sister-in-law Phoebe Owen. Visitation will be held on Monday, February 20, 2006 from 7-9 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook, NH. A funeral service will be conducted on Tuesday, February 21 at 11:00 a.m. at the All Saint's Anglican Church in Hereford. The Reverend Rose Howe and The Reverend Ronald Owen will co-officiate. An interment service will be held in the spring at the Hall Stream Cemetery in East Hereford. Expressions of sympathy in Mr. Owen's memory may be made to the All Saint's Anglican Cemetery, the Hall Stream Cemetery or the Herbert Lawton Cemetery, c/o Diane Rioux, Town Clerk, Main Street, East Hereford, QC, Canada, J0B 1S0. Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to www.jenkinsnewman.com. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home of Colebrook, NH.

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LENNOXVILLE

The St. Francis Valley Naturalist Club will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 22 at 7:45 p.m. at the Community Centre, 10 Depot St., Lennoxville. Speaker: Dr. Donald Thomas of the Universite de Sherbrooke. Topic: A Biologist in Africa.

MAGOG

Delicious Turkey Dinner and all the trimmings on Saturday, February 25 at 5 p.m. at St. Paul's United Church, 211 Pine St., Magog. Proceeds to Frontier Animal Society. Reservations: Christine (819) 847-2769 or Brenda (819) 843-3237.

NORTH HATLEY

St. Barnabas Anglican Church welcomes you to their Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper to be held on February 28, 2006 at the North Hatley Community Centre, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Pancakes, syrup, sausages, baked beans, and more. Admission charged.

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Military Whist (for men's renovation fund) at A.N.A.F. Hut, 300 St. Francis Street, Lennoxville on Friday, February 24 at 2 p.m. To reserve a table, call Helen at (819) 569-3598 or Emily at 562-8683.

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United Church to be held at the Salle Loisirs, 130 Principale, South Durham on Friday, March 3 starting at 5 p.m. Everyone welcome.

WATERVILLE

Advance notice of special events at Waterville United Church. St. Patrick's Tea, March 17, 2 to 4 p.m.; Pancake Breakfast, April 1, 8:30 a.m.; Spring Luncheon and Bazaar, May 4, 11:30 a.m.; Lois Blanchette Choir, May 25, 7 p.m.; Garage Sale on June 3; Ice Cream Social, July 6, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Rummage Sale, September 9, 1-6 p.m., September 10, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Fall Luncheon and Bazaar, November 2, 11:30 a.m.

DANVILLE

A Brunch will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion on Sunday, February 26 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Everyone welcome.

NORTH HATLEY

The annual general meeting of The Piggy Theatre Inc. will be held on Saturday, March 4 at 1 p.m. at the North Hatley Community Centre. All interested people are welcome.

RICHMOND

Spring Break Casserole Supper at St. Anne's Anglican Church, 112 Main South, on Saturday, February 25 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Assorted pies for dessert. Bake table, Treasure table and more. Good food and fun!

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Uplands Cultural and Heritage Centre will be serving Tea on Sunday, February 26 from 2-4 p.m. Enjoy a light Tea (tea, scones and pastries) or reserve before Friday 4 p.m. for our Afternoon Tea (tea, scones, jam, cucumber sandwiches, mock Devonshire cream, pastries). Admission charged. For reservations, call (819) 564-0409.

LENNOXVILLE

Children's Fun Day at the A.N.A.F. Unit 318, 300 St. Francis Street, Lennoxville on Saturday, February 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Games and entertainment. New this year - Hockey! Bring your stick. Cantine. Come one, come all! Everyone welcome!

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Golden Age Club

WATERLOO

The Waterloo Golden Age Club met at the Legin Hall on Monday, February 13 at 1:30 p.m. The president welcomed everyone to the meeting, including a new member, Aline Crevier and a visitor Audrey Streeter. Following the Lord's Prayer being said in unison, a minute of silence was observed in memory of Madeleine Graves.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Lucille Aitken and the treasurer's report was given by Ruth Lefebvre. The half and half drawing was won by Herb Riti and Ola Streeter.

Winners at "500" were as follows: Wilmur Davidson, first, with a score of 4940; Ola Streeter, second, with a score of 4880; and Doreen Gibbs, third, with a score of 4470. Winner at the games table was Yolande Gelinas. The special bid of 10 no trump was not won. The meeting closed with everyone enjoying lunch together. The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 27th.

Wilmur Davidson.

This girlfriend either is a sadist or an idiot

Dear Annie: My 8-year-old granddaughter, "Ashley," recently told me she is afraid she is going to die if her brother's 20-year-old girlfriend does not quit tickling her and poking her with her finger. Ashley says the girlfriend tickles her until she can't breathe, and when she screams for her mother's help, my daughter-in-law just says, "Now, you kids stop."

The girlfriend is not speaking to me because I told her this was a form of child abuse, and if I hear that she's done it again, I am going to call the police and child welfare services. I would like your opinion. — Worried Grandma

Dear Grandma: You have every reason to worry. Excessive tickling and poking is considered a form of child abuse, and this girlfriend either is a sadist or an idiot. Don't threaten her. Instead, inform your son and

East Angus

Karen Labonte MacLeod

Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Heatherington have just returned from a trip to Malta.

Karen MacLeod recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Jean Guy Groleau. She is recuperating at home after a long hospital stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Dunsmore of Sand Hill, Mr. and Mrs. R. Boutin of East Angus, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Reed and Mr. and Mrs. Steven Thorneloe of Lennoxville, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Thorneloe of Eaton Corner and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilkin of Island Brook and Bill Thorneloe and Karen MacLeod went to dinner at the Mayor's Place in Bury to celebrate Valentine's Day. After a delicious dinner, we were entertained by Orvil playing his guitar and singing.

Annie's Mailbox

daughter-in-law that you will be forced to report the situation to the authorities if they don't take this seriously and make the girlfriend stop torturing your granddaughter. And follow through.

Dear Annie: My husband and I have been married 10 years. He has two grown sons from a previous marriage. One is wonderful, responsible and caring. The other, however, goes from job to job looking for a better deal. "Robert" never calls us unless he needs something. He is a user.

The problem is, my husband feels responsible for Robert's difficulties because of the divorce. He thinks he has to keep trying to make it up to him for not being there when Robert was younger. My husband bought Robert and his wife a house because they could not get a loan. They are supposed to make payments to us and we then pay the mortgage. Of course, they skip payments rather often, and Robert now owes us thousands of dollars. My husband thinks Robert will get caught up some day, but in the meantime, our savings are dwindling.

We are at the point of telling Robert that he should move out so we can rent the place for a couple of years. Frankly, I can't imagine he will find an apartment for the same money they are paying us for the mortgage. What do you think? — Frustrated

Dear Frustrated: Tread carefully. Of course Robert should pay his own way, and he should not be living in a place he cannot afford, but you're asking your husband to make a difficult choice. Whether or not to throw Robert out of the house should ultimately be Dad's decision. Otherwise, you

risk having him blame you if it damages the relationship with his son.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from Sam Cummings Jr., an official in the funeral industry, who explained why funerals are important.

Many people do not want the trappings (or expense) of a conventional funeral. When my brother died suddenly, I was acutely aware that he would have been appalled to think his farewell would be in a sterile funeral home or a church that had no meaning to him. Instead, I arranged for a remembrance in a beautiful forest where he had spent much of his life. The "green cathedral" seemed the perfect choice, with birds singing and a creek flowing by, surrounded by people who loved him. A friend recorded CDs of my brother's favorite music, ranging from Beethoven to the Grateful Dead, and I included hymns remembered from our childhood. Several friends and family members spoke, remembering his humor, warmth and intelligence.

More recently, my former husband, a retired Naval officer, died after a brave fight with cancer. My daughter arranged an informal service in her home, and my son made a display of his father's uniform, sword and memorabilia from his life. — Remembering

Dear Remembering: A conventional ritual in a funeral home is not a requirement. The point is to provide some form of memorial that allows family and friends to say goodbye. Thanks for showing our readers a few ways how.

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

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: T equals K

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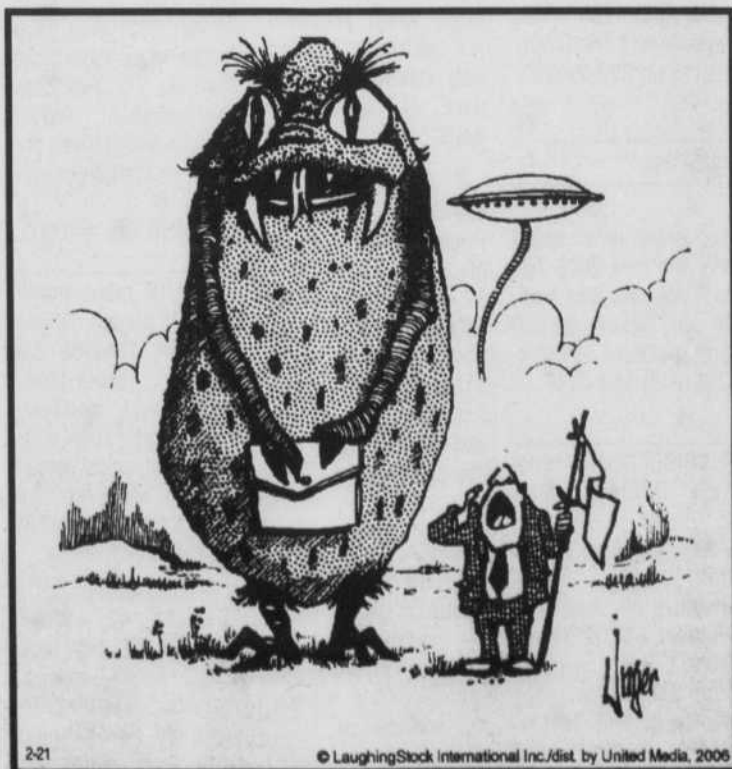
PREVIOUS SOLUTION — "God answers all our prayers... sometimes the answer is, you've got to be kidding!" — Jimmy Carter

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"She wants to buy some fresh fruit and vegetables!"

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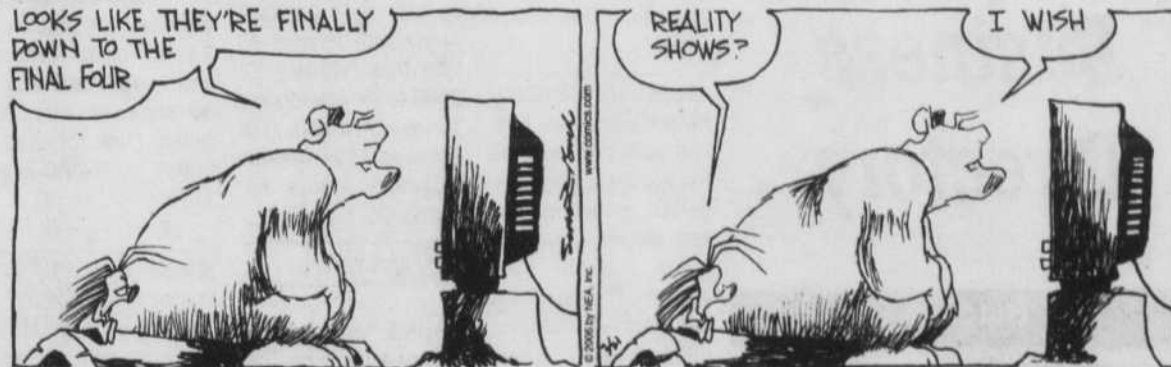
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Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2006 Do not overreach for trump tricks

By Phillip Alder

Philip Massinger, an English dramatist who died in 1640, wrote, "Patience, the beggar's virtue, / Shall find no harbour here."

Yesterday, I mentioned overreaching at the bridge table, when one defender leans across the table because he thinks his side is about to win a trick. Today's deal also features overreaching, but of a different kind. How can the defenders defeat four spades?

North's three-heart rebid is a game-forcing cue-bid. Usually the responder is hoping that his partner will next bid three no-trump with a stopper in hearts, the opponent's suit.

West leads his higher heart and East wins with his jack. (Third hand, when playing the highest card so far contributed to the trick, puts in the bottom of his touching cards.) Then East cashes the heart ace, seeing his partner complete an echo (high-low). East continues with a third high heart. What can South do?

If he ruffs low, West overruffs and collects the spade king later for down one. So let's assume South ruffs with the spade queen (or jack). Now West must be patient. If he overruffs, declarer wins the next trick and draws trumps, losing only one spade and two hearts. But if West discards, he will collect two trump tricks to defeat the contract.

Do not overruff with an honor that will still score a trick later unless you have something vital to do immediately. Why did I give the original quotation? For two reasons: Patience was required by West in the deal, and the words were spoken by Sir Giles Overreach.

North 02-21-06			
♠	5 2		
♥	10 7 6		
♦	A K 4		
♣	A Q J 8 3		
West			
♠	K 9 7		
♥	9 2		
♦	10 8 7 5 3		
♣	9 6 2		
East			
♠	10		
♥	A K Q J 5 4		
♦	J 9 6		
♣	10 7 5		
South			
♠	A Q J 8 6 4 3		
♥	8 3		
♦	Q 2		
♣	K 4		
Dealer: South			
Vulnerable: Both			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	2 ♥
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	All pass
Opening lead: ♥ 9			

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- 1 Alberta, Canada national park
- 6 Help do wrong
- 10 Part of U.A.E.
- 14 Video-game company
- 15 Director Ephron
- 16 Clytemnestra's mother
- 17 Theater-in-the-round devices
- 20 Look after
- 21 Eager desire
- 22 Brit's meal
- 25 Powerful cleaner
- 26 French season
- 27 In the past
- 28 Thar ___ blows!
- 30 Did some lawn work
- 32 Hamstring
- 36 Stew vegetable

- 38 Cyclonical
- 42 Bang stuff
- 43 Make certain
- 45 Dadaist Max
- 48 "___ Doubtfire"
- 50 Roman Pluto
- 51 Director Spike
- 52 Very unfriendly
- 54 In need of a broom
- 58 Biblical prophet
- 60 Skybox locale
- 61 Prepare for an all-out defense
- 66 Graphic beginning?
- 67 Turkish river
- 68 Active starter?
- 69 Small gull
- 70 Olden days
- 71 Think piece

- 24 Sort of dancer
- 25 Grant for a spell
- 29 Pay homage to
- 31 Burden
- 33 Wine casks
- 34 Sign, in a way
- 35 Summer hrs. in Boston
- 37 Pique
- 39 West Point team
- 40 Sculptor's subject
- 41 Tap trouble
- 44 Superlative suffix
- 45 Bring out

- 46 Dwell
- 47 Closer to the mark
- 49 Most certain
- 53 Cut-price
- 55 Unused
- 56 Trapper's device
- 57 Salaries
- 59 P.C. image
- 60 Cries of discovery
- 62 Part of a refrain
- 63 Bonus NFL periods
- 64 Gun advocate grp.
- 65 Stir-fry sauce

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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DOWN

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- 2 Did lunch
- 3 Part of USNA
- 4 First-year students
- 5 ___ mignon
- 6 Hill and Baker
- 7 Lead singer of U2
- 8 Unit of work
- 9 Lip-smacking
- 10 Jai ___
- 11 Came back after pruning
- 12 "___ Fideles"
- 13 Moistened periodically
- 18 Peace sign
- 19 Very high cost?
- 22 Triumphant exclamation
- 23 Sikorsky or Stravinsky

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By Jim Page

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Ask Your Professionals



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Emotions and investments

Q. My portfolio has been doing quite well over the past three years, now my advisor suggests that I reduce my exposure to stocks and replace them with safer investments that don't seem to be quite as interesting. I like my stocks and don't feel I should be selling anything. What do you think?

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