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Fatal head-on collision in Stoke

By Evan LePage

A head-on collision between a car and a semi-trailer in Stoke early Friday morning claimed the life of a 69-year-old man.

At around 5:30 a.m., the Sûreté du Québec received a call about an accident on Rang 4, between Notre-Dame-des-Mères Road and Route 216, approximately 20 minutes north of Sherbrooke.

The 69-year-old was driving his Pontiac Grand Prix in the direction of Stoke when for unknown reasons he veered out of his lane and into on-coming traffic.

The car struck a semi-trailer head on. "The truck driver lost control of his vehicle and ended up in the ditch. The driver of the small vehicle was unfortunately killed in the accident," explained SQ spokesperson Sylvie Lamy.

Police did not have information regarding the condition of the truck driver or the cause of the accident on Friday morning.

"We opened an investigation. The investigators were on the site this morning to study the causes of the accident," Lamy said, adding that the possibility that the driver voluntarily veered into oncoming traffic could not yet be disregarded.

Friendship Day 2012 Smiles all around



PHOTO BY AL BARBER

Friendship Day living up to its name. For a story and more photos, please turn to page 7.

UdeS founder honoured in mural

By Evan LePage

Albert Leblanc, one of the founders of the Université de Sherbrooke, will be the citizen of honour featured in the 2012 M.U.R.I.R.S. mural in the city.

Leblanc was one of 90 candidates submitted for the first time by members of the public for this, the tenth anniversary of the city's murals.

"I sincerely believe that the person chosen by the committee represents thousands of Sherbrookers that work

with passion and dedication for the good of all," stated Serge Malenfant, president of M.U.R.I.R.S.

A lawyer, Leblanc practiced in Sherbrooke before becoming the first dean

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"Having nobody as a citizen's representative on that committee scares me a lot."

City creates committee to review pet law

By Evan LePage

After citizens made their dissatisfaction known over a city regulation limiting the number of pets in one household during a council meeting in May, the City of Sherbrooke has decided to create a committee to review its regulation.

In early May, Sherbrooke resident Bianca Battistini was visited by an inspector from the Society for the Protection of Animals after someone lodged a complaint regarding the number of cats she has.

Battistini has seven cats, all between the ages of 10 and 16 and all animals she saved from the street, but the municipal regulation limits the number to four per household. Following the visit she was given a ticket and was told she needed to put three cats up for adoption.

At a city council meeting on May 7, Battistini pleaded her case, explaining that she took in seven sick cats and spends approximately \$300 a month in medicine to take care of them. She also said the animals were taken care of and

did not bother anyone.

Battistini's story had quickly spread on social media and she was joined by upwards of 20 supporters at the meeting, some of whom, like *Record* contributor Jen Young, spoke of the service she was providing in taking care of animals no one else would. Her supporters argued that the regulation should be applied on a case-by-case basis and encouraged the council to find a way to deal with the problem of abandoned animals in the city.

At the time, the council said they were open to sitting down with the Estrie SPA to review the regulation. On June 7, the City of Sherbrooke announced that it was following through with that promise.

A committee presided over by the president of the city's security committee Pierre Boisvert will "study different options that could lead to a modification of the General Regulation No. 1 of the municipality, which notably deals with pets, dangerous dogs and shows featuring wild animals," according to a statement from the city.

The committee will be directed by Claude Périnet, the assistant director general of community services with the city and will be composed of, among others, Bruno Felteau of the SPA and Line Chabot, an assistant clerk with the city.

It has as a mandate to analyze the current regulations and then forward recommendations to the committee on public safety at its monthly meeting next September.

"Several aspects of the current regulations will be revised to take into account, on the one hand, the needs and reluctance expressed by citizens and, secondly, the new practices in the area. With these recommendations, the city council will adopt, where appropriate, changes to regulatory provisions relating to animals in the fall," the city statement specifies.

Still, Battistini is far from satisfied with the announcement.

"Having nobody as a citizen's representative on that committee scares me a lot," she wrote in an e-mail to *The Record*, adding that the Pet Connection is not represented either. "It is not the

way things should be done."

Battistini also said that it was "pretty hard to follow" the city's stance on the issue. "One day I'm on the radio facing city councillor Boisvert and he said he would not be in charge of that committee. Then he said different stupid things in a French newspaper. Then the city sends a press release denying everything," she wrote. "So honestly I feel like saying 'get your act together.'"

Battistini was referring to a passage in the city's press release in which Boisvert directly addresses comments he had made to local media.

"Contrary to perceptions that could arise from my remarks in the newspapers, it has been established that the committee will be free to discuss amendments and the city council will decide in the end," Boisvert said in the statement.

Ultimately, Battistini said she would wait and see, like the other 622 people who "wrote to me and are in the same situation as me."

Who should pay?

Newport in knots over bill for North River repairs

By Rachel Garber

The Eaton River takes many turns on its way through Randboro, Sawyerville and Cookshire, down to the Saint-François River. But the erosion at one particularly sharp twist in its north branch has Newport citizens and their municipal council in knots.

The spot is on the North River Road, on land owned by Newport Mayor Thérèse Ménard-Théroux and her husband Yves Théroux.

Two other disputes concerning the Théroux property are in play, too. One concerns a culvert under the North River Road. The other is over a private lane known as the Crawford Road.

The erosion story began in the spring of 2011. The erosion was causing sediment to accumulate, which could block the flow of the river. The erosion could compromise his maple syrup business, Théroux said, because a tree near the eroding bank supports a pipe that carries sap from the trees to his sugar shack. If the erosion causes the tree to fall into the river, so too will fall the pipe. He requested a permit to arrange the riverbanks.

"I didn't ask anyone to pay for it. I was ready to do the work myself," he said, speaking in French. "But the MRC forbade me to do it. They said it has to be done in a certain way, without touching the water."

Instead, the MRC asked Natur'Eau-Lac Inc. to estimate the cost of removing the sediment and repairing the bank. The municipal council minutes of July 11, 2011, show that Nathalie Laberge and Dominic Provost of the MRC du Haut-Saint-François estimated this at \$33,000 minimum. Provost is director general of

the MRC.

Here, the twists and turns of government come into play. The provincial government mandates the MRC to manage waterways in its territory. But the bill for this goes to the municipality. The MRC offered to let Newport oversee the work. But two calls for proposals only received one submission, for \$76,000. The Newport council judged this to be far too costly.

For this reason, Newport has asked the MRC to carry out the work necessary. But it is still the municipality that is to receive the bill, and must decide who pays for it. That is what Provost and Laberge explained during question period at the municipal council meeting last Monday.

Théroux thinks it is the municipality who should pay the bill. Newport has \$100,000 in reserve, he said.

Some of Newport's 869 citizens differ. A petition circulated over the week preceding the council meeting has been signed by 125 people. It asks that the municipality require Théroux to pay for the study and for the repairs to the river.

"The municipality is setting a precedent where all those with river/stream frontage may now without hesitation request that the municipality pay," it says.

About 40 visitors crowded into the municipal hall in Island Brook on Monday evening. Mayor Ménard-Théroux and her husband were also present, although Councillor Marc Vaillancourt chaired the question period about the situation.

Asked who would pay the bill, Vaillancourt repeated several times that the council would ask the municipality's lawyer for advice before deciding.

"They have no choice," said Danielle Paré, another resident of North River Road. She cited Article 978 of Quebec's municipal code. "They have to tax citizens in a fair and just manner. If someone doesn't benefit, they can't charge them for that work."

"I think the pipe was not put in the right place in the beginning," said another citizen, who asked to remain anonymous. "The river - if we fix it now, in ten or fifteen years, the same problem will be back. If we want to solve the problem for a lifetime, the pipe has to be put in another place. That might be the cheapest way, too."

"If it had been feasible, I would have moved the pipe," said Théroux. "But it isn't."

"The councillors are caught by the throat," said Paré. "The money of the municipality has to be spent in a fair and just way, and if it doesn't benefit a landowner, they cannot ask them to pay for that work."

Later in the meeting, Théroux's lawyer presented an official notice to the Newport council. It was a demand to remove a culvert



PHOTO BY RACHEL GARBER

The north branch of the Eaton River in Newport, where erosion threatens to block the river and tear down the sap line. It belongs to Newport Mayor Thérèse Ménard-Théroux and her husband Yves Théroux.

under the North River Road. The council had previously refused this request, according to their meeting minutes of

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Health walkers raise more money for local fund

By Stephen McDougall
ASBESTOS

For a second year, Louise Jean Lacroix has given up a spring Saturday evening and spent several hours walking around Centenaire park to raise money for a local health fund.

"I am glad to do it because the money is being raised here and will stay here to help the sick in our community," she said after walking for close to six hours.

"This is how I show my closeness to my community. How I give back to it."

Lacroix was one of 207 volunteers who took part in the Walk for Health event last Saturday. The event raised \$15,400 for a fund at the local hospital that helps pay for extra expenses incurred by local residents undergoing various treatments.

Her walking partner, Anne Raymond, said the money is needed in the area where more and more residents are on fixed pensions or have low-wage jobs.

"This money can be used for extra medication, or gas money to go to a far-away specialist or just to pay the electric bill if needed," she said.

"When you get ill, you need all the help you can get. And I want to help if I can."

The walk used to be part of the Canadian Cancer Society's Relay for Life, which raised some \$15 million last year



PHOTO BY STEPHEN MCDUGALL

Local residents walking in the Health Walk event in the Centenaire Park last Saturday.

in 85 Quebec communities.

But two years ago, local organizers and the town opted out of the society's event because it had called for an "end" to the local Jeffrey asbestos mine. The society argues the fireproof fibre is responsible for 100,000 deaths worldwide.

But the town and local organizers defended the mine and opted to hold their own fundraiser in place of the relay and keep the money for local needs.

"The relay was tough for us," said Raymond.

"I can remember a lot of runners and

walkers who went on for close to 12 hours.

"Now it is easier. We just walk in the park for about six to eight hours if we want. Or we can just donate the money."

Claude Hamel, Lacroix's husband, said the Relay participants were usually younger people who could run and jog for long distances.

"That meant older people did not participate," he said.

"Now that it is a local walking marathon, more people of all ages, especially older people, take part."

Talk of the society's position on the local product is not mentioned among the walkers. The emphasis is on community action rather than helping outside causes.

"I am concerned about my health and that of my neighbours," added Hamel.

"That's another reason we get more participants."

But the event has not been without its critics, who claim the local organizers were out to snub the CCS for its anti-asbestos stance.

In the summer of 2010, after the town announced its plans to abandon the relay, an editorial in the Ottawa Citizen newspaper said the town and its residents "lacked scruples" and were "merchants of death and disease" for

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Keeping bugs away without chemicals

Part 2: Both inside and outside



ANNA MAY KINNEY

We all know the challenges of battling insect problems in the garden, and while their invasion can be serious trouble with crop production, there are many natural remedies we can use to fend off these pests. But when those little creatures decide that your home is the perfect place to take up residence, what was a challenge that you could use friendly bugs, companion plants or natural sprays for can become a serious problem inside an air tight house. The chemical choice does not exist for those of us who are sensitive or decide we are not going to expose our children, grandchildren, pets, or ourselves to such things — we need to

have natural safe alternatives that work.

A few years ago I found myself facing an unfamiliar situation, flying ants. At first thought, they had to be termites, but after an intense online search for pictures and information I found out they were carpenter ants. As most people know termites eat wood and can destroy a home in no time and carpenter ants eat wood too, but usually focus on damaged, rotting wood. Still a total inspection of my house was called for, and to my surprise there was no serious damage. So it was a matter of finding the nesting area and encircling their territory with poison they'd eat and take back to the Queen.

All types of ants live and work in an orderly system, there are your normal looking worker ants, and then there are flying ants who have special scouting duties. The worker ants are responsible for maintaining the food supply for the Queen and larvae. They both eat crumbs and bring back what they find to the nest. So no matter what kind of ant you are trying to get rid of the first step to keeping ants out of your house is making

sure there is nothing for them to feed on. Yet, even if you are spotless and less likely to have normal ants, some older homes prone to carpenter ants would be less likely to have your normal outside ant, but something like carpenter ants that

eat wood might be attracted to your home, sending the worker ants outside the house to gather other food.

On any account, it's wise to make your home as unattractive to ants as possible, and this means paying attention to microscopic crumbs you'd think would do no harm. Scraps left around a pet dish, an open compost container left on the counter, an open package of cookies or something else in the cupboard. Ants will also be attracted to different residues left behind from makeup so the bathroom needs to be as clean as the kitchen.

Some people actually grow things like peppermint, sage, lavender or spearmint outside around the perimeter of their homes, but if you don't you can still sprinkle these aromatic herbs around the problem areas where you feel they are getting inside. A mixture of cayenne pepper, any aromatic herb can be ground fine in a coffee bean grinder, put into a used spice shaker bottle and sprinkled on your carpets, believe me, they will hate you for that.

The best poison ant bait, good with any variety of ants, is simple, inexpensive to make and works on the same principal — "worker ants bring it back to the Queen, and when the Queen eats enough they are gone." What I do is to take a very small jar, like one of those gift jelly jars, put in some corn syrup about half way, add Borax, and mix. This will last a long time as you only need to spread some like thick butter or mayo on a piece of cardboard and set it out where the ants will find it. You can do many pieces and still have lots left to redo the areas as needed. This is where a person

needs to be diligent and replace the used portions. It takes a little longer than having your place contaminated with poisonous sprays, but it works really good.

If you can see ant mounds/hills around your house and these are the same type of ants getting inside (you'd not want to kill red ants for no reason if these are large black ants getting inside, most ants do not go inside) and if there's a serious ant problem you can take boiling water and dump it on the ant hill, killing the little worker ants you see, and if you use enough it will go deep enough to destroy the Queen and eggs, but I've never had to resort to this after making my home undesirable and getting them out.

The following spray is safe to use on inside and outside plants, and if you use organic onions it's totally organic. This is one of my favourites as it uses up things you'd normally throw into the compost. We use a lot of onion, especially when I'm dehydrating a bunch, I take the skins, onion ends and peeling off, stick them in a bag and throw them into my freezer until spring. (I often add garlic scraps too.) Both work really well. When needed, defrost in warm water and let them set there three to seven days. I usually set this outside in the sun where it brews. When it's ready, strain out the liquid, put into a container and use in a spray bottle when needed.

Even the leftover onion scraps can be used — just bury them around any plants that are at risk of getting spider mites, aphids or most any pest.

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Sherbrooke professor earns one of Quebec's highest distinctions

One of the most prestigious honors in the province, the distinction of Officer of the National Order of Quebec, was received by University of Sherbrooke professor Louis Taillefer last week. Taillefer, along with 30 other recipients, made his way to the Parliament House where Premier Jean Charest personally delivered the awards one by one. The distinction highlighted those who have contributed to the development of Quebec's society in an exceptional manner.

Taillefer, a physicist at the university's Faculty of Science, was awarded for his long research and accomplishments while studying the behaviour of electrons in matter. Known as one of the most eminent specialists in the field of quantum materials and superconductors, Taillefer's research has helped gain a better understanding of why some materials conduct electricity without energy loss.

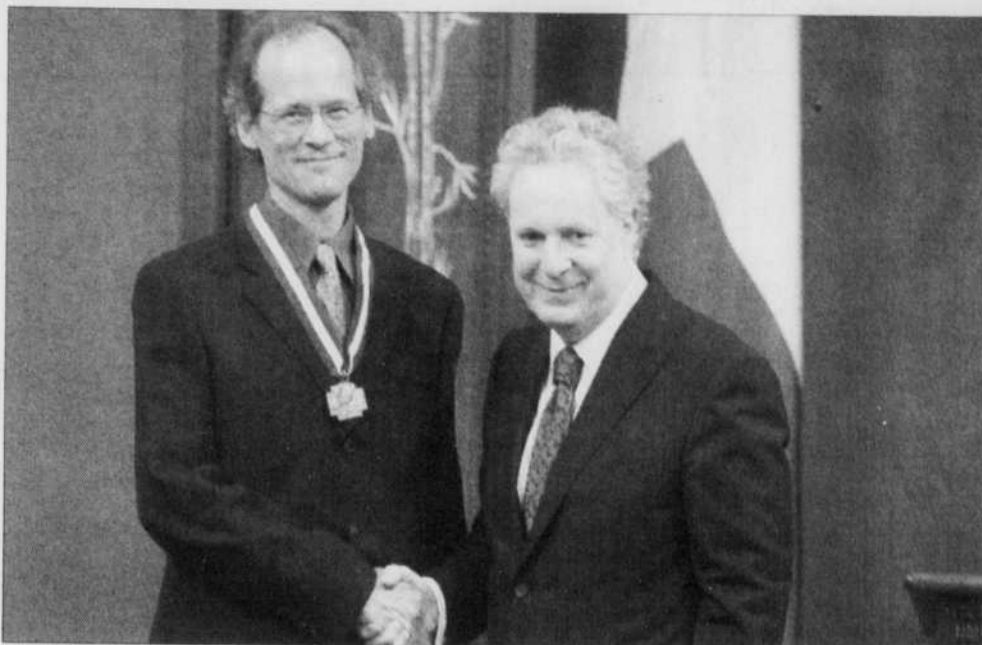
Director of the Quantum Materials

Program of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, Taillefer's contributions to the program have led it to an unprecedented scale by attracting renowned scientists and Nobel Prize winning researchers, making it one of the most respected platforms in the world.

As a professor his passion, scientific curiosities and willingness to investigate them has inspired his students and colleagues throughout the years the same way as his many great discoveries in the field have.

Throughout his career he has received many awards and recognitions, including the Killam Prize in Natural Sciences (2012), member of the Order of Canada (2011) and Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada (2007).

The National Order of Quebec has been described as the highest honour in Quebec since 1985, awarded annually to men and women who have distinguished themselves in one or numerous fields of Quebec's society.



CLÉMENT ALLARD

Premier Jean Charest (right) awarding University of Sherbrooke professor Louis Taillefer the distinction of Officer of the National Order of Quebec last week at the Parliament building.

UdeS founder

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PHOTO BY EVAN LEPAGE

Robert Leblanc (left) holds a picture of his father Albert Leblanc, the citizen of honour in this year's mural. He is joined by Bernard Sévigny and three members of the selection committee that chose the winning candidate from among 90 submissions.

of the university's faculty of law. He was also the president and commissioner of the Sherbrooke School Board and participated in the drafting of the Canadian charter of rights and freedoms.

"The person chosen to be on the 13th mural is also at the origin of an institution that contributed and continues to contribute today to promoting Sherbrooke outside of its borders," Sévigny said of the creation of the university.

Leblanc, who passed away in 1975, was represented by his son Robert on Friday afternoon.

"When we heard that the M.U.R.I.R.S. group was launching a contest to choose a person that influenced the history of Sherbrooke, we immediately thought about Albert Leblanc," Robert Leblanc said on Friday, before describing the life of his father and the many contributions he made to the city.

Marcel Bureau, the director of the St-Jean-Baptiste Society and the honorary president of the selection committee, spoke of how difficult but rewarding it was to choose one person among the 90 submitted.

"It was a real pleasure [...] to learn from all of the public suggestions. We received 90 suggestions, all good candidates," Bureau said. "It was not good to make a choice because all the candidates were worthy, so it also allowed us to create a bank of names, a list that will serve for other murals in the future."

This year's mural will be painted on a wall of the municipal housing office, located at the corner of Wellington Street South and Aberdeen Street.

The mural will make it appear as though the wall is on hinges and is rotating, with various personalities pictured on either side.

Health walkers

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supporting their mine.

Danielle Croteau, one of the event organizers, said residents have shrugged off these criticisms of their local industry.

"We chose to ban the Relay because the society wanted to ban us," she said.

"We are not bad people. We just want to help and protect the people close to us."

The mine is still waiting for word of new investment financing so it can resume operations later this year.

Mine President Bernard Coulombe said he is still optimistic a private foreign consortium will deliver on a promised \$25 million investment. This

would then be followed by a promised \$58 million loan guarantee from the provincial government.

Yvon Vallieres, the government's intergovernmental minister and local member of the Provincial Assembly said recently he is "optimistic" the financing deal will be signed soon.

"The government offer is still good," he said.

"We have set no deadline for the private financing to come. We still believe the money will be here soon."

The mine presently employs some 40 maintenance workers who are preparing the mine's underground shaft for a restart.

North River repairs

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March 2012.

Théroux said that the previous municipal council installed the culvert soon after he had bought the land, without his authorization. It is one of three culverts, and directs too much water onto his land. "It's a piece of land that could eventually have a chalet," he said. "It's a nice area for a resort."

His neighbour, Susan Campbell, said she is in the process of closing the sale of her house and 220 acres to Théroux.

A third issue involving Théroux's land has also been occupying the Newport Council's time for the past 18 months. It was a request to have Crawford Road, a private lane, be designated a public roadway so that it would be maintained and plowed by the municipality. The council also refused this demand.

During Monday evening's question period,

Paré asked how much time the municipal council and director general have spent on issues relating to the Mayor and her husband since her election. "But I feel bad," Paré said later. "I want the councillors to know that we appreciate their work."

Paré's question was tabled by the council, but Théroux himself later replied to the question. "My wife hasn't cost anything to the municipality," he said. "On the contrary, over the past three years, she has saved \$180,000 for the municipality, through her selection of contractors to clear the roads."

At press time, Mayor Ménard-Théroux could not be reached for comment.

EDITORIAL

It is hard to see how the national executive can relieve Rae of his promise, particularly since the promise was not made to them, but to others.

Coyne: Is Rae's potential Liberal leadership bid really just a study in semantics?

By Andrew Coyne
Postmedia News

With its pending decision, as it has been widely reported, to "allow" interim leader Bob Rae to run for the leadership, the Liberal party national executive is opening exciting new fields for semantical research. Scholars say the decision raises several provocative questions, each rich with interpretive possibilities - questions such as:

What is a rule?

The notion that Rae might now be allowed to run for leader implies that he was hitherto prohibited from running, an impression fed by Rae's repeated pledges to "abide by the rules set by the national executive." Now, technically, there is no such rule, if by rule you mean "an authoritative regulation or direction concerning method or procedure" (Collins World Dictionary), such as a party bylaw.

What there is, or was, is/was a condition, or at least an expectation. Before Rae's appointment last May, the party executive, or the National Board as it is called, issued a formal statement advising that "any candidate for Interim Leader" would "be expected" to "execute in writing a solemn undertaking" that he/she "will not seek the permanent leadership of the Party as part of the next leadership selection process."

Now, some would say this is unenforceable: that whatever "solemn undertakings" the interim leader might have "executed in writing" before he/she had been appointed, there is no penalty the party could impose for refusing to live up to this commitment. But this is surely too cynical. If Rae were to seek the permanent leadership, in violation of his pledge, the party could simply go back in time and revoke his appointment.

In the same way, suppose a company were to sell you a toaster with a money-back guarantee. And suppose the toaster didn't work, but the company refused to refund you the money. In that case you would be fully entitled to keep the

toaster.

In the present case, the national executive is simply declining to ask for its money back. And Rae has indicated he will abide by the executive's decision.

What is a promise?

So it's not a rule, so much as a contract. Rae gave a solemn undertaking, in writing, not to run for leader, and in return the national executive approved his candidacy for interim leader.

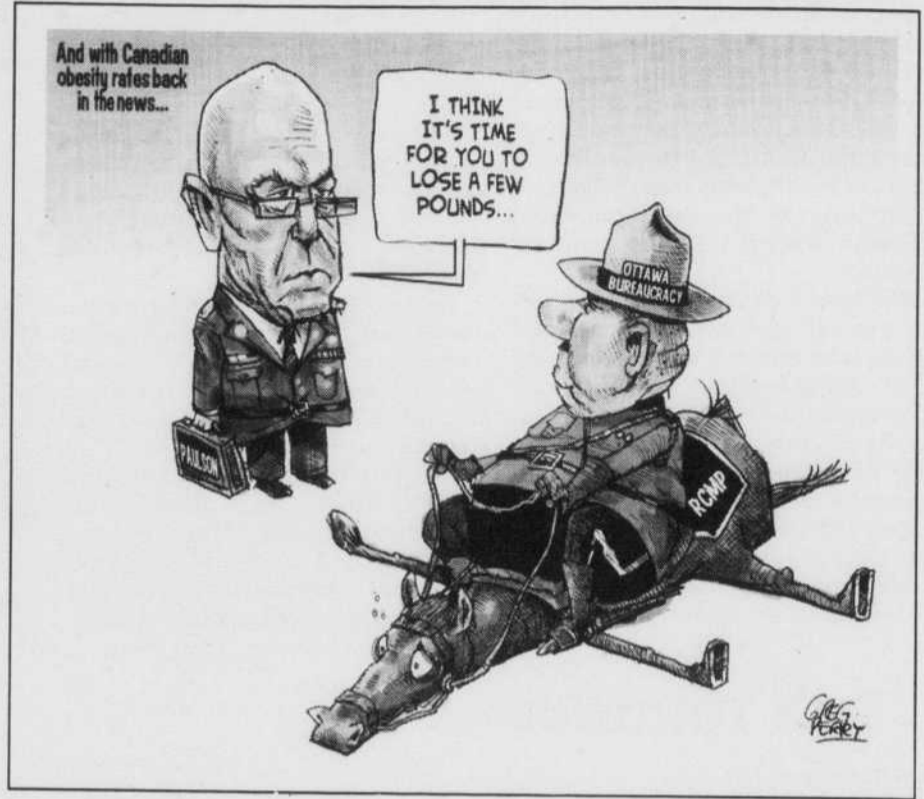
Except . . . it seems Rae never delivered on his side of the deal. I don't mean he's trying to welch now. I mean he never "executed in writing" the "solemn undertaking" the board had laid out as a condition of employment. Or if he did, he never showed it to anyone.

I've checked with present and former members of the executive, and with Rae's office, who confirmed: "No such text was given to the Board." So not only is there no "rule" preventing Rae from running: he never even promised he would not. Which either means he is free to run as he pleases, or that he should not have been appointed in the first place: He has not, in fact, abided by the rules set by the national executive.

But if Rae never formally promised anything to the board, he certainly seems to have promised . . . everyone else. Or at least, he's reported to have done. True, the only thing he specifically pledged in his letter to caucus last May was "I shall abide by any rules about the interim leadership, agreed to by the caucus and the Board."

But as it was reported by The Globe and Mail at the time, "Bob Rae is giving up on his dream of leading the Liberal party;" and as it was reported by the Toronto Sun, "he's adamant his job is only part-time;" and as it was reported by the CBC, Rae "accepts the (board's) conditions and (has) also given his word to his wife that he's only taking the interim job;" and as it was reported by The National Post, "Mr. Rae told reporters he had pledged not to run for the permanent leadership in writing." Whoops.

Well, he was reported to have told a group of Carleton University students last November "I'm not going to run for



leadership," which seems pretty unequivocal. At any rate, that is what a great number of people in the party were given to understand.

What does a promise mean?

It is hard to see how the national executive can relieve Rae of his promise, particularly since the promise was not made to them, but to others. Suppose it can. How does the unwillingness of the executive to hold him to his promise undo the reasons the promise was first sought - to avoid giving the interim leader an unfair advantage in the leadership race to follow? Why is what was unacceptable then acceptable now?

And what of Rae's state of mind? Perhaps he will claim he never actually promised anyone he would not run for

leader. But suppose he does not. How will he justify breaking his promise? Did he mean what he said at the time, but changed his mind? If so, on what basis? And why should changing one's mind about a promise be enough to dissolve it? Perhaps it will be argued that the assumptions on which the original promise was based have been invalidated: that, with the party having fallen further behind the NDP under his leadership, incumbency offers no particular advantage.

Indeed, it remains a possibility that Rae will not run, in the end. But if he does, it will be hard to escape the charge that he has been running for leader from the moment he promised not to.

IN BRIEF

Construction work continues on Galt Street, Route 112

Galt is one of multiple streets Sherbrooke drivers may want to avoid as the city continues its construction projects this week.

On Galt Street West, between Daniel and Kitchener streets, paving of the right hand lane will cause the closure of one lane between 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. today.

Additionally, starting Monday morning Galt Street West between the Highway 410 viaduct and the intersection of University Boulevard, is one of four streets where workers will be filling potholes.

Workers will also be repairing potholes on King Street West, between the Darche exchange and Jacques-Cartier Boulevard, King Street East between the intersection with Highway 610 and Duplessis Road, as well as Jacques-Cartier Boulevard North between Beckett Street and King Street West.

The work is expected to last until Friday, June 15, and will run between 6:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. each day. Traffic will

likely be slowed in the affected areas though no lanes or streets will be closed for the construction.

Sewer work will cause the complete closure of Notre-Dame Street in Bromptonville on Monday between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. Drivers will have to detour around the street between Docteur-Allard and Curé-LaRocque streets, except for those who live in the affected area.

Finally, major work on the center of Route 112 in Sherbrooke and Ascot Corner will see the closure of two of four lanes until Oct. 15.

The timing of street lights at the intersection of Route 112 and Highway 610 have been modified in order to meet the needs of drivers, who will be forced into one lane in each direction, during rush hour.

The construction zones will be maintained outside of working hours and the lane size has been reduced to four metres.

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A happy Friendship Day 2012

By Sylvia Bullard

Bishops' philosophy student Mathew Stiffel a participant of Day Camp, volunteered with approximately 16 other Day Camp volunteers who were along with the many other helping hands needed to help keep things running smoothly for the traditional Lennoxville Friendship Day held on Saturday, June 9. Stiffel, counting this as his 20th Friendship Day, said this year he got to see it from a different perspective.

"Usually I was on the other side running around playing on everything, but it is good to give back and help the kids have what I had as a kid. Helping with the canteens, artisans and making sure that all the inflatable games ran well has been a lot of fun," said Stiffel with a satisfied smile.

Friendship Day occurs only once a year in Lennoxville Borough, so it was pleasant that even Mother Nature cooperated with the bright sunny day weather of being not too hot, nor too cold, contributing to the enjoyment of everyone in attendance of the Friendship exchange. Kicking off the day was the annual colorful parade that displayed the variety of businesses and community organizations in the

Lennoxville area.

Strolling throughout the Borough of Lennoxville, families were seen taking in the Lennoxville book sale, that by the way was a huge success, according to Co-ordinator Mary Ann Sullivan.

Bargains for food, jewelry and many handmade items or information on different organizations could be had in the St. Antoine School and grounds. From the petting zoo to the dunk tank there was fun and activities for young and old.

Many enjoyed a plate of hot smoked meat at the Lennoxville Curling Club. And always not to be missed by those with a sweet tooth were the different kinds of cake and ice cream at Uplands served by LAHMS.

Weary Friendship Day partakers were able to rest and relax by listening to musical entertainment at the Eddie-Custeau Gazebo Centennial Park. Those who were not too tired got up and danced.

The wait for Friendship Day is now over. All in all, things went well even if some perhaps felt that the attendance wasn't quite what it could have been. Next on the horizon Lennoxville Borough can look forward to its annual Street Festival.

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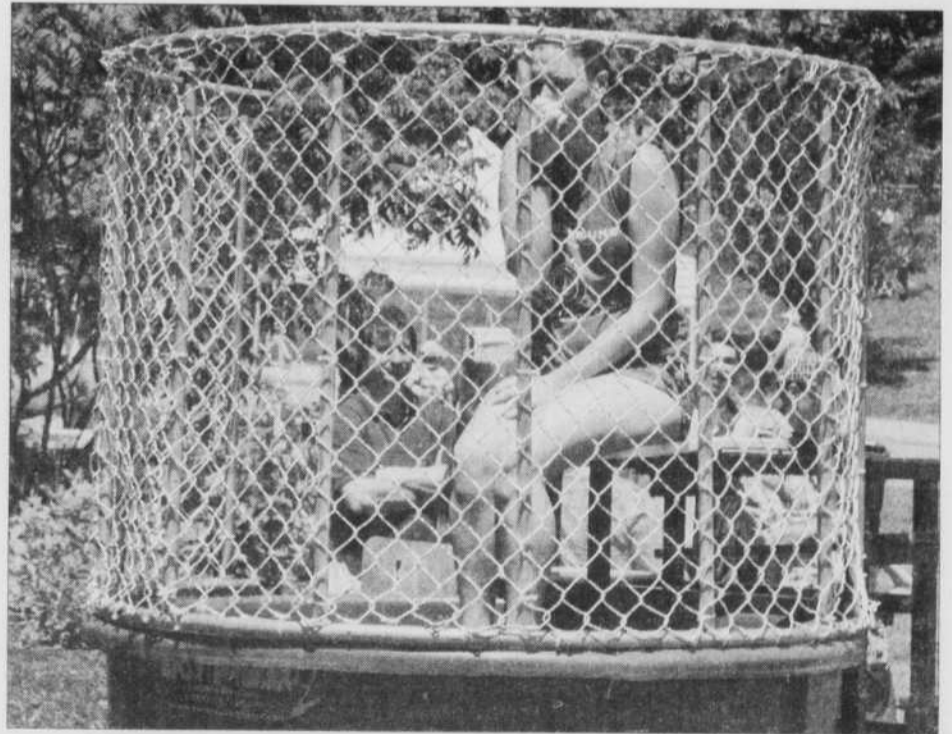


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Volunteer Mathew Stiffel (centre) along with other Day Camp volunteers helped the many needed to keep things running smoothly.



The annual colourful parade kicked the day off.



The dunk tank was a favourite activity among the teenagers.



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Lennoxville and District Community Aid commemorates 30th anniversary

By Sylvia Bullard

With 30 years under their belts of serving those in need, Lennoxville and District Community Aid commemorated the event with a 30th anniversary supper and appreciation night. Approximately 80 volunteers gathered at the Amédée Beaudoin Community Hall on Thursday June 7 at 5 p.m. Earlier that day from 2-3 p.m. some 100 clients and friends of Community Aid were also able to catch up with each other as they celebrated this historical event with presentations of the history of Community Aid.

From two of the five municipalities where Community Aid has offered its services for the many years, Gladys Bruun mayor of Waterville, presidents Elizabeth Cope and David Price, president of the Borough of Lennoxville were among the guests present at the special event, doing the honours of cutting the official cake after enjoying a buffet meal. All volunteers were honoured with a certificate of appreciation with Francis Smith having volunteered for the longest time in the 26 to 30-year category.

Some of the basic services Lennoxville and District Community Aid have been

providing remain the same as 30 years ago. Director Sylvie Fowlis explains, "These are the friendly visits — making sure that people kept in touch with their neighbours and friends — and a nutritious Meals-on-Wheels program. The services provided now have grown to escort transport for medical legal and banking, the blood pressure and foot clinics as well as exercise and prevention programs. The clientele are elderly and/or handicapped people who may benefit from any or all of these bilingual services. By means of this aid, seniors' quality of life is improved and helped to stay in his/her own home as long as possible."

President Elizabeth Cope and Margaret Owens were presented with flowers and remembered as vice-president of the very first board of directors of Community Aid back in 1981. Kevin Frost and his children were all present at the party. Gerald Frost (Kevin's father) was the driving force and founder of Lennoxville and District Community Aid, Fowlis notes.

"I'm sure he and his sister heard all the details growing up as to how Community Aid really got going."

Also partnering with other community organizations and establishments has helped Community Aid know what



PHOTO BY RALPH MCCULLY

Gladys Bruun, mayor of Waterville, President Elizabeth Cope and David Price, president of the Borough of Lennoxville present at this special event in the history of Community Aid, cutting the official cake.

the real needs are. If you or you know of anyone who could make use of these types of services or could perhaps volunteer a service please call Sylvie Fowlis at 819-821-4779 Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. sylvia.recordlink@yahoo.ca

More scenes from Friendship Day



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"I got the memo that we were going to make changes, and I couldn't imagine myself walking around with a video camera...Digital isn't for me."

COLUMN

Legendary Red Fisher one great storyteller

By Dave Stubbs
Postmedia News

I have dined at Moishe's with Red Fisher twice in my life.

The first occasion was in the fall of 1980, as I quit The Montreal Gazette for a communications job in Ottawa with Canada's national swim team. Red, my sports editor, picked up the tab and claims to this day that he didn't expense it. I almost believe him.

The second time was in the early 1990s. I was back at the paper and both of us were nominated for sportswriting prizes by the Association de la presse sportive du Quebec. We would dine that evening, then walk down to the awards gala.

(Once in your life, I thought then, you must walk into Moishe's with this man. Moses didn't part the Red Sea as effortlessly as Red parts the wait staff.)

Frankie, Red's regular waiter, was hovering over us even before we had settled.

"I'll have a Chivas, Frankie," Red said slowly, an eyebrow arched. Then he paused.

"And put some scotch in it."

Frankie returned with my lager and Red's Chivas, in a tumbler with water seemingly added by eyedropper.

Two glorious sirloins and too much liquid refreshment later, Red putting this feast on his company card, we navigated a wobbly path down the street to the gala.

Incredibly, we both won that night. I bumbled through a bilingual acceptance speech I'd scrawled on a napkin. And then Red shuffled to the stage for his award and, after a merci, proceeded mostly in English to thank the 99 per cent francophone crowd for recognizing brilliance when they saw it.

He brought the house down.

Everyone who's ever worked with or for Red Fisher, who retired Friday following a 58-year career covering the Canadiens and so much more, has their own stories.

If he had a dime for his every tale,



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Red Fisher, a sportswriter for 58 years, retired Friday.

Frankie would have retired a millionaire.

Red was a demanding sports editor who didn't tolerate my careless mistakes as a copy editor on the night sports desk; how I'd dread the proof of a page in my mailbox with a red grease-penciled "Please see me - RF."

He wanted headlines on a page descending in alternating roman and italic type, an odd number of headlines and subheads cause for great anxiety.

But he was generous with his counsel and, when he shrugged off a sports jacket tailored by Curmudgeon of Cote St. Luc, he was a delightfully funny man with an encyclopedia of stories that he'd share in sometimes frustratingly small chapters.

I called Red on Friday morning, first to wish him a peaceful, healthy retirement, and then to ask if he'd like me to pass along the lengthy list of media outlets that wanted a word.

"None of this is necessary," he scoffed, as if his 58 years of reporting was wiped clean just like that. "I'm not going to give any interviews. There's no point. If

they want to say nice going or congratulations or kiss my (behind)...

"I know what I've done, I know who my friends in the business are. And I also know who the not-so-friendly people are. I'll remember them in (Blank) 'Em All,' my next book.

"I'm doing this on my own terms. My conscience is clear."

The newspaper business is changing by the hour, an increased emphasis on a digital product not what Red bought into more than six decades ago.

"I got the memo that we were going to make changes, and I couldn't imagine myself walking around with a video camera," he said. "Digital isn't for me."

I was laughing before he'd finished that thought, Red not equipped with a cellphone or an answering or fax machine. I didn't want to ask if his home phone is rotary dial.

This isn't to say that the man hasn't embraced technology. He's traded up from red and black typewriter ribbons to master laptop computers, changing models seamlessly with just a cheat-

sheet of instructions.

I told Red that surely he was going to forget to return his latest company-issued laptop, having closed out his labour-folded Montreal Star career in 1979 with the souvenir of three typewriters.

"I'll buy the damn thing," he said. "It might be a piece of junk, but I have a ton of stories in it that I really want to keep. There's a lot of history in there."

The hard drive is overflowing.

I remember, during my late 1990s stint as Gazette sports editor, hearing Red in his adjacent office speaking on the phone with an NHL general manager about the selection of this team's coach.

"He's a bum. Next. (pause)"

"You're joking. Next. (pause)"

"Please, be serious. Next..."

In many long talks with Red, plumbing his reservoir of stories, I gained a great love of hockey history that I bring to many features about the game of yesterday.

And then one day he simply dropped his personalized three-volume encyclopedia set on my desk. The Trail of the Stanley Cup, written by Charles L. Coleman, covers hockey from 1893 to 1967 and is regarded as the definitive history of the pursuit of the Cup from its birth through NHL expansion.

As precious as it is rare, the set could have earned Red many hundreds of dollars had he sold it. He'd not hear of it.

"It's yours," he said. "Enjoy it."

I have, more than he can possibly know.

On Friday, I spent the day speaking to many people in the world of hockey, from the shiniest brass to the legends of the game, to gather reaction to Red's retirement. When your phone rings at 7:30 a.m. and it's NHL commissioner Gary Bettman on the line, you know you're dealing with someone special.

Everyone spoke uniformly of a journalist who had superb instincts, an uncommon work ethic, a swollen Rolodex and a fairness in his reporting that never left a subject critical of his column, even if he didn't agree with its message.

"I owe a hell of a lot more to a lot of hockey people, starting with many of the players, than they owe me," Red said.

On one call, I mentioned to Canadiens Hall of Famer Steve Shutt that Red's hockey-writing career had begun with an exploding tear-gas canister evacuating the Forum on March 17, 1955, touching off the infamous Richard Riot, and ended amid nightly student protests along what used to be the Canadiens' Stanley Cup parade route, smoke bombs occasionally filling the air.

"Well," Shutt said, "Red's career started with a bang and it ends with one."

Former Canadiens captain Yvan Cournoyer loved that remark.

"And now we have naked students protesting," the Roadrunner said. "Just watch Red come out of retirement to cover that."

Logano wins second Sprint Cup race at Pocono

By Dan Gelston
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Joey Logano slipped under Mark Martin in the closing laps Sunday at Pocono Raceway for his first victory since 2009 to become the first Sprint Cup driver this season to win from the pole.

The 22-year-old Logano rallied past the 53-year-old Martin for a thrilling finish in the first 400-mile Cup race at Pocono. Pocono shortened the race by 100 miles this season.

Logano's only previous career Cup victory was a rain-shortened win at New Hampshire. Logano had the top car all weekend, posting the fastest practice time Friday and then taking the pole Saturday.

Friday.

Tony Stewart was third, Jimmie Johnson fourth and Denny Hamlin fifth.

Logano, once a much-hyped phenom when he broke in with Joe Gibbs Racing, was under pressure to produce victories in the final year of his four-year contract.

Logano's win continues a recent uptick of solid results in the Cup series. He has insisted this season his contract status has not added pressure.

But in Victory Lane, he hoped the victory sent a message to his critics.

"I hope it shuts them all up," he said. "It means a whole lot."

At a track known for its tedious 500-mile race, 400 miles was the perfect length to produce a fantastic finish on fresh asphalt on the two-and-a-half-mile

track.

Martin, one of Logano's earliest supporters, took the lead with eight laps left. Logano, though, bumped Martin out of the way and zipped past for the winning move with three laps remaining.

"I'd call that a bump-and-run," Martin said. "It has been acceptable in this racing for a long time. It's not how I would have done it. Certainly, had I had a fast enough car, he would have gotten a return."

Martin saw Logano race at 11 years old and raved about his potential as future Cup champion. Logano was so full of promise, he was dubbed "Sliced Bread." As in, greatest thing since ...

Obituary

James Leonard KNOWLES

Len Knowles passed away on Monday, May 28, 2012 at the CHU Fleurimont, at the age of 87. Len was born and brought up in Trenholm Quebec. He was the only son of William and Bernice (Reid) Knowles. His only sister, Audrey, was married to Orin Taylor.

Len married Ora Gunter on June 8, 1946. Beverley, their eldest daughter, was born in 1949, Debra came along in 1952, James arrived in 1955 and Timothy soon followed in 1956.

Len grew up on his family's dairy farm and after many years in dairy went into the beef business, keeping purebred Hereford animals. He had a very large maple woods and each spring produced maple syrup, which was enjoyed by not only the local patrons, but some of this golden product also found its way across Canada. Len loved working in the woods and this love has been passed on to his two sons. It took a lot of hours to cut enough to fuel the homes, and the sugar shanty. He also built and operated a sawmill and supplied many people with lumber. He was still going to the woods until he turned 80 and had a heart attack. His son James now has the family farm and is still in the beef business. A new sugar shanty has been built by this next generation and the sawmill is still operating.

Len served his country from 1939-1945. He was also a counselor for Municipality of Cleveland from 1982-1995 and was employed at Rockland Industries for a couple of years while the beef industry was at all-time low. Len loved to play darts and was an excellent player. His accuracy in finishing games made his opponents very respectful and a perfect 180 game was obtained on many occasions. He was also a very accomplished musician. He had a natural tal-

ent for being able to produce music from almost any instrument. Neighbourhood dances and parties usually had him playing his beloved accordion. Everyone in the neighbourhood seemed to be able to play a fiddle, a piano or a guitar and square dances and quadrilles were always being called at these gatherings which often took place in the Knowles home, which had a large enough living room to accommodate 6 sets.

Len was the caretaker of the Romaine Fish and Game Club in Sault aux Moutons for fourteen years. Ora made frequent trips up to visit him during the summers, usually being with him to celebrate her birthday on May 29, and their anniversary which fell on June 8. Their love for the North and fishing was passed on to their children and grandchildren. Their son Timothy is currently the caretaker at this Fish and Game Club. Much of the lumber used for repairs made to the Romaine Fishing Club camps came from Knowles lumber. One of the highlights of his years up north was when he, along with other club members, was airlifted out as a result of Hurricane Katrina.

Len was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma, a form of blood cancer, in 2009. He fought a courageous battle but eventually this dreaded disease prevailed.

Our wonderful dad, the soul mate of our mom for 60 years, has enriched our lives. He was a great role model; always had a wonderful sense of humour, loved nature and the great outdoors and was always thoughtful of others. He will be greatly missed but will live on in our hearts because we have wonderful memories.

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Mansonville Golden Age Club

May 22 - We met at the Reilly House for dinner on Tuesday, May 22. As usual, we did justice to our hosts and to the bounty we were served. Thanks again Fawn and helpers.

Lana Lane won today's half and half game.

Edmond Ducharme and Rene Guertin were the winners at 500. Everyone won a door prize.

Game winners were Huguette Carrier, Lana Lane, Jackie Jersey, Lorraine Carrier and Rita Mossa.

During the week, one of our members fell and broke her hip. This was Lucille Deschenes. She is a patient in Hotel Dieu, Sherbrooke. Best wishes will be on their way to her soon.

May 29 - Rain, rain go away, we ve had enough for today, Tuesday, May 29. Our dinner date today was at Resto 243, guests of Rosaleen and Cathy. Thanks ladies for our excellent meal.

Rene Guertin won our half and half prize today. Door prizes were won by Nicole Lafond, Jackie Jersey, Rita Mossa, Edmond Ducharme, Loraine Carrier, Helene Rouillard, Rene Guertin, Rita Marcoux, Lana Lane and myself.

Game prizes went home with J. Jersey, Lana Lane, Helene Rouillard and me.

Our prayers and best wishes go out to our sick and shut-in friends, Lucille Deschenes and Alain Marcoux.

Submitted by Rita Mossa

Death

Dorothy Anna SHATTUCK

The Parsons and Shattuck families are sad to announce the passing of Dorothy Anna Shattuck on May 3, 2012 at the age of 96 years. A resident at The Connaught Home in North Hatley for fifteen months.

Dorothy lived in her own apartment in Lennoxville for many years and was the Parsons family historian and North American researcher and resource. The daughter of Ethel Parsons Shattuck and Lawrence Shattuck, born in Fitchburg, Mass. Dorothy was raised by her maternal grandparents in East Angus, Quebec where she lived most of her life and where she was a valued, retired employee of the Eat Angus paper mills.

She leaves behind her Shattuck nieces and nephew, Nancy Shattuck Trainque, Lawrence III Shattuck, Marilyn Shattuck Fuse, Maureen Shattuck Berder, Mary Shattuck, Michael Shattuck, Kathleen Shattuck Dionne, their spouses and children throughout the North Eastern United States, the Parsons first cousins, Elizabeth Parsons Shepard, Calgary, Alberta and William Parsons of Coral Gables, Florida and many extended cousins and their spouses and children throughout North America.

The interment of Dorothy's ashes will be held at the Parsons family plot in Cookshire Cemetary on June 15 at 3:00 p.m. where family and friends are welcome to attend the service and share memories of our well-loved aunt and cousin.

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Card of Thanks

KNOWLES - The family of the late Leonard Knowles wishes to express their thanks and appreciation to all their friends, neighbours and family who brought food, sent cards, made memorial donations and called at the funeral home. It is with appreciation that we say Thank you to everyone for their support, encouragement, kind words and caring gestures including all the doctors, nurses and support staff from the CHUS, CLSC and the Wales Home. Thank you to Rev. Reginald Jennings for his loving kindness and support, Barry Evans of the Cass Funeral Home for his moral support, musicians Ann Clark and Nancy Gunson, the Richmond Legion Br. 15 for their memorial service, and the ladies of the Trenholm UCW and other helpers too numerous to name for the lovely refreshments prepared and served following the service. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

THE KNOWLES FAMILY

In Memoriam

JOHNSTON, George. Fond memories of a dear father who passed away June 11, 2007.

*Sadly missed along life's way,
Quietly remembered every day,
No longer in our life to share,
But in our hearts he's always there.*

Your loving family,
BILL, MELVIN, PAULINE

Cemetery Meeting

RUITER'S SETTLEMENT CEMETERY
The Annual General Meeting for the Ruiters Settlement Cemetery Association will be held on Saturday, June 16, 2012 at 7 p.m. at the Reilly House, Mansonville, Qc. All are welcome. Gordon Barnett, President, 819-837-2261.

Death

Phyllis Louise Foley

Passed away at Specialty Care in Mississauga on Friday, June 8, 2012 in her 91st year.

Beloved wife of the late John. Loving mother of Patrick and his wife Lisbeth, and Paul and his wife Julie. Proud grandmother of Michael, Andrew, James, Kristina and Alexa. Dear sister of Betty and Henry, and the late Stanley. Phyllis will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

Friends may call at the Turner & Porter 'Neweduk-Erin Mills' Chapel, 1981 Dundas St. W., Mississauga (at Erin Mills Pkwy) on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service will be held in the Chapel on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at 3 p.m. Interment to follow in Danville, Quebec (details to follow on Turner & Porter website).

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He spends at least \$100 a week on these pills

Dear Annie: Please help me. My husband, whom I love very much, is addicted to pain pills. It's been more than a year. He says he takes them to maintain his energy levels for his long 12-hour days, but, Annie, he still takes the pills on his days off. When he tries to stop, he goes through withdrawal symptoms.

Not only am I concerned for his health, but it's putting stress on our budget. He spends at least \$100 a week on these pills. I've tried everything I can think of to get him to stop, but nothing works. Rehab is not an option because we don't have the money and insurance won't cover it.

I love my husband very much, but this is affecting our marriage, and he's ignoring it. — *Distraught Wife*

Dear Distraught: Your husband isn't trying to wreck his marriage. He is an addict, and addicts do whatever is necessary to support their habit. He will need to gradually taper off the medication until he no longer suffers withdrawal symptoms.

We assume your husband has some kind of prescription for these pills that needs to be refilled regularly. Call and alert your husband's doctor (and possibly local pharmacies) that he is abusing the pills. And please contact Families Anonymous (familiesanonymous.org) at 1-800-736-9805 and Nar-Anon (nar-anon.org) at 1-800-477-6291 for assistance and support.

Dear Annie: I have two questions concerning proper etiquette. When wedding invitations are sent out, isn't it proper for there to be postage affixed to the reply envelope? Also, I attended a wedding reception in December and didn't receive a thank-you note until June. What is the proper timeframe for sending thank-you notes out after a wedding? — *Curious in Florida*

Dear Curious: Thank-you notes should be written as soon as possible, and preferably within three months. However, many readers would be grateful to receive one altogether, no matter how late.

As for stamps, please understand that back in the Stone Age, invitations were hand-delivered without response cards of any kind. Guests were expected to supply their own stationery for replies. However, since few people have personal stationery these days and invitations are rarely hand-delivered, hosts have included response cards, usually stamped, in order to facilitate a timely RSVP from guests who otherwise aren't always courteous enough to reply. Do they have to? No. But it certainly makes it more likely that they will get a response.

Dear Annie: This is in response to "I Am So Sad," whose husband is a bully. Please tell her that there is life beyond her horrible marriage.

I lived with a bully for 23 years. In order to preserve my sanity, I filed for divorce. I had to walk away from everything: family, friends, church and home. I had been active in my church, but when my ex claimed he "found God," he became buddies with our priest. He told everyone I had lost my mind and convinced friends, family members and even my boss to beg me to take him back.

In my tiny apartment with little to my name, I realized for the first time in years that I could breathe without worrying how he would berate me when he walked in the door. No one deserves to be treated like that. It's hard to find the strength to walk out, but I don't know any woman who doesn't feel better off after leaving an emotionally abusive situation. "Sad" will find another church community that will embrace her. She'll realize who her real friends are. She'll still be a good person.

I've been divorced for seven years and have since gone to school and earned both my bachelor's and master's degrees. I've made new friends and enjoy my children and grandchildren. I've even dated some interesting men. I wish "Sad" luck and the courage to get through this difficult time. — *Free To Be*

Annie's Mailbox

Me
Dear Annie: My husband and I have five adult children

between us, all making a good living. Some of our children expect us to pay their airfare to come visit us, in addition to picking them up at the airport, being their taxi service so they can go out drinking at night and letting them use our car. At no time does anyone put gas in the car or even treat us to a cheap breakfast.

During a recent visit, we made reservations for dinner with one son, his girlfriend, their daughter (who lives nearby) and the daughter's boyfriend. That morning, my husband drove them to the beach (10 miles away). They then called to say they ate a late lunch and asked that we push back the reservation and that my husband pick them up from the daughter's house and bring them home to change. It seems the daughter didn't want to drive the 10 miles to our house.

I adamantly said no to my 74-year-old husband. These "kids" are so self-absorbed that they think nothing of forcing us to accommodate their schedules with no thought to ours. I have told my husband that from now on, the kids must rent their own car when visiting. I'm tired of being their private chauffeur. Am I overreacting? — *Selfish Guests No Longer Welcome*

Dear Guests: Of course not. If your children are old enough to have kids of their own, they should not need to be driven around by their parents. But we recommend a tactful approach. For the next visit, simply say, "We wish we could pick you up at the airport, but it won't be possible. We suggest you rent a car so you can have your independence." You also can mention how nice it would be if they treated their folks to a meal once in a while to thank them for their hospitality.

Dear Annie: I am a divorced woman in my 50s and the mother of two beautiful daughters. When they were born, we chose to pass on my first name to both

girls as a middle name. It's been a family tradition for the past four generations.

Recently, my eldest daughter informed me that she legally replaced her middle name with her maiden name. I was stunned that the name I passed on to her with pride was cut out entirely and forever. We are on good terms, and I don't believe she intended to hurt me. And I don't have a problem with her choosing her father's surname. Normally, I'm pretty laid back, but this one stings.

I'd like to ask why she made this choice, but I'm afraid it might make her think I'm too sensitive and she won't share future decisions with me. I keep hoping there is a sensible, rational reason that would relieve some of the hurt. Perhaps if I get it out in the open, I can let it go. Any thoughts? — *Name-Dropped*

Dear Name-Dropped: It's OK to ask, as long as you don't get teary-eyed and make her feel guilty. Or perhaps she confided her reasons to her sister and you would feel more comfortable asking your younger child. But be prepared to accept with equanimity an answer you may not like.

Dear Annie: "Wondering" wanted to know how to ask his parents about his inheritance so he could plan his retirement accordingly.

Recently, our son demanded his share of his "inheritance." The ramifications of this have been heartbreaking. Because of money already given to him, we made the difficult decision to exclude him from any further inheritance at our death. He received a paid-in-full statement that said, "This is your share that you demanded via an attorney, notarized and recorded through the courts."

So, "Wondering," let sleeping dogs lie. You will get yours (if anything is left) at your parents' death. Prepare and plan for your future yourself. — *Sadder and Wiser*

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

Standbridge East Women's Institute

The Standbridge East Women's Institute meeting was held at the home of Jean and Malcolm Cogswell in Sutton on May 3rd 2012. President Jean Cogswell opened the meeting with the Collect and Salute to the Flag and we sang Hymn of all Nations.

Roll call; Tell about something a grandchild taught you and bring in a package of seeds for Q.W.I. Convention. Roll call was answer by 5 members and 1 guest Mary Jones.

Motto; I wish my TV had a knob for intelligence, there's one marked brightness, but it doesn't work. "Gallagher"

President Jean Cogswell welcomed all

and thanked the hostess and hostesses Mary Boomhower, and Dianne Rhicard.

The minutes of the last meeting was read and accepted as read. Business arising from the minutes; Nothing yet about the picnic. The get together for information day was cancelled. Treasurer report; Dianne Tait gave her report.

Correspondance; A thank you from the F.W.I.C for the donation to the Hoodless Homestead Upkeep Fund. A thank you from Donna Luce, and Mary Jones for cards we sent them.

Program; Education and Personal Development; Betty Perry read a piece on Sutton Elementary School and how two

official languages mingle in the cafeteria, on the playground and in the hallways on their way to the classrooms of the English and French School Boards. How Sutton is one of the few that do this in the Provinces.

Dianne Tait read about a woman that makes jewellery from recycle things and now she is making rings from computer keys like delete and different ones. Her jewellery sells from 15 to 100 dollars.

New Business; There are two resolutions to be voted on at the convention for our deligate to do for our branch and we said to vote yes on both. There will be a bus going to the Convention from the

WalMart shopping center at 730 am sharp if you want to go please let Norma Sherrer at 263 3448 or June Lemay at 263 6940 know as soon as possible as there are just so many seats.

The travelling bag was won by Dianne Rhicard. As no further business our meeting was ajourned. Our next meeting will be at the home of Jack and Agnus Minnis in Dunham in June. We had a very nice lunch and went home.

respectfully submitted
Betty Perry Sec.

for Pearle Yates Publicity convenor

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Previous Solution: "There's no way to be able to tell what it's like to be a country singer until you're walking in the shoes." — Tanya Tucker

TODAY'S CLUE: J sienbe N

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"D'you wanna tip me now? Then I'll know what sort of service to give you."

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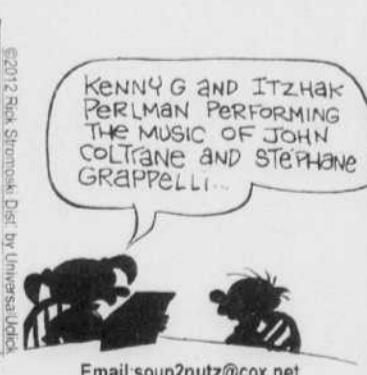
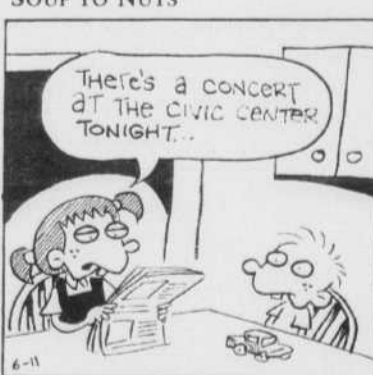
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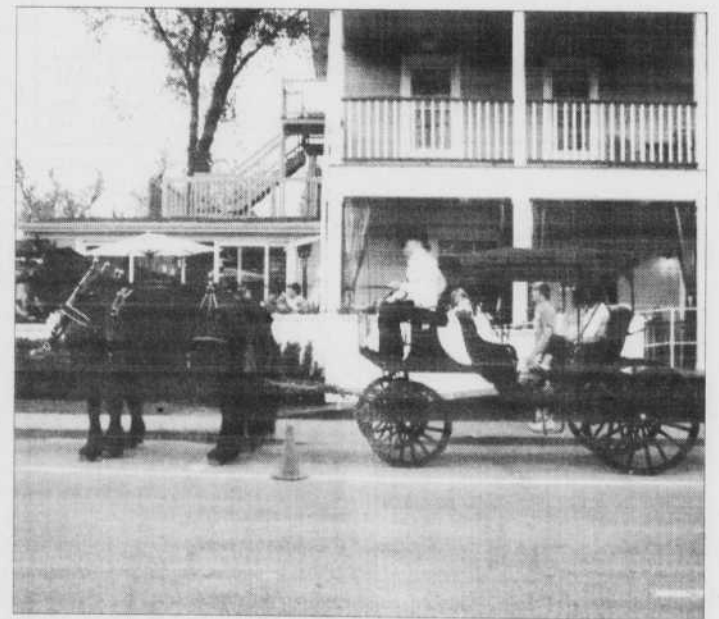
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Submitted by Ernestine Whipple

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