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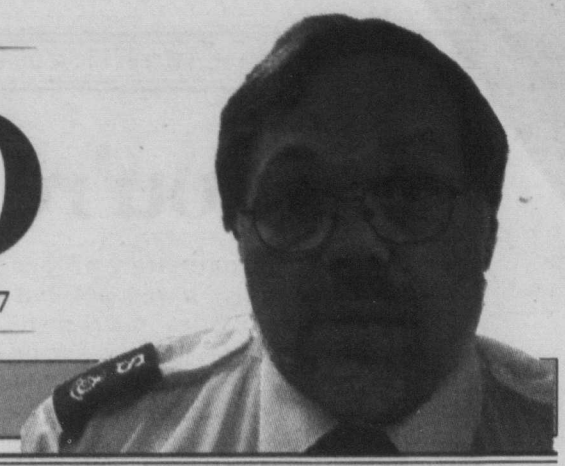

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23-year-old murder investigation reopened

The Sherbrooke Police Force has reopened a 36-year-old murder case, as new information has come to light.

Michel Martin, spokesperson for the Sherbrooke Police Force , said that investigators found new information in September, 2003 but he was unable to devulge the nature of the information.

Roland Giguère was shot with a .22 calibre gun on Nov.1, 1968 around 2:30 a.m. when he arrived at his house from work at Pat's Kentucky de Sherbrooke. He was fighting with his attackers before he was shot and died six days later from wound complications.

Detectives Michel L'Italien and Daniel Breton are the investigators on the case. They have been speaking with witnesses in the area as well as throughout Canada and parts of the United States.

Martin said he did not know how long the investigation will continue.

Roland Giguère was shot to death.

MacAulay counters Yes committee's contentions

By Rita Legault
LENNOXVILLE

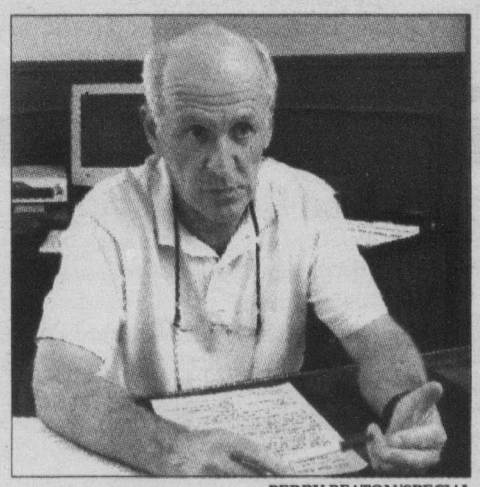
Borough chairman Doug MacAulay disagreed this week with a flyer sent out by the demerger forces in Lennoxville which invites citizens to "take back their town" and "live in a town, not a borough".

"There is stuff that is somewhat misleading," the former mayor of Lennoxville said in an interview with The Record during which he attacked the flyer point by point. He also said there are a lot of important facts that are missing.

MacAulay said he's not sure that Lennoxville will be able to keep its street names, as promised by the Yes forces. The councillor, who sits on the city's place-name committee, said that with 911 emergency line, as well as police and fire protection, there are 420 street names that are repeated from town to town, including 32 in Lennoxville alone.

MacAulay said the Yes force argue citizens will have direct access to administrators, employees and town operations.

"Citizens have direct access to borough employees, the administration and operations right now," he said, adding that citizens can call the borough or the city with a complaint.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Lennoxville Borough Councillor Doug MacAulay says demerger publicity contains incorrect information.

MacAulay said he also disagrees with claims that a large bureaucracy is more expensive and less personal. He said citizens have direct access to borough personnel at the former town hall and believes deamalgamation will be costly.

Aside from the direct $32,000 cost for the referendum, a bill that citizens of

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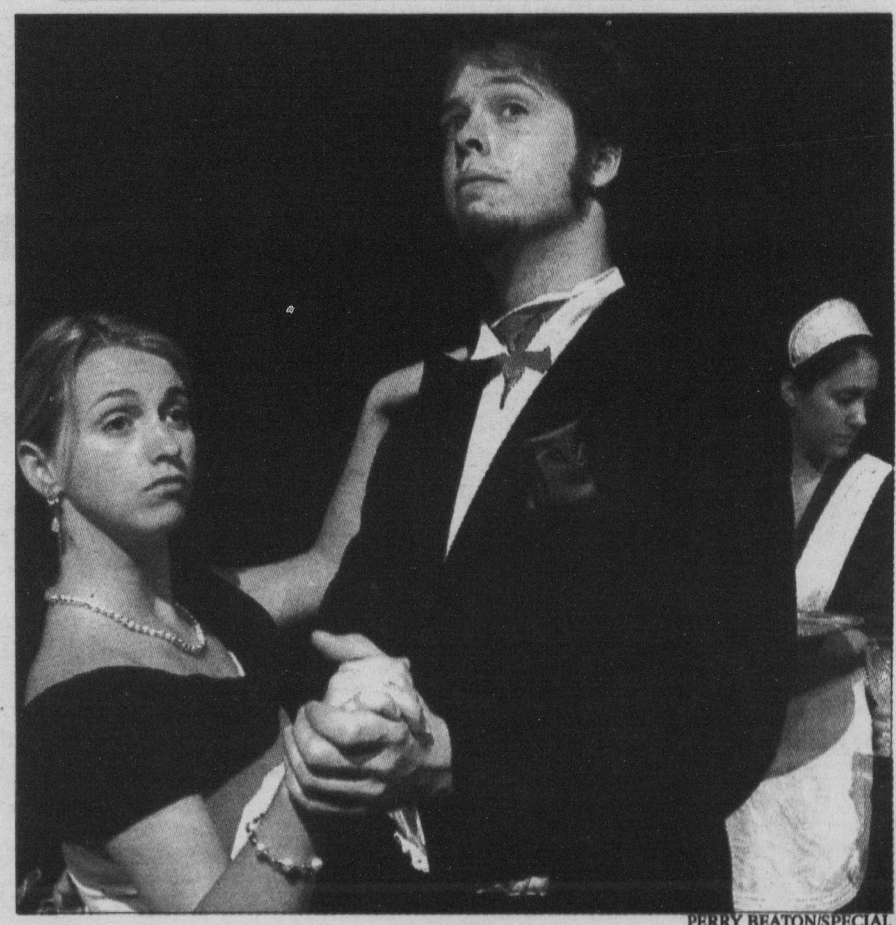
From Broadway to Bishop's



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Bishop's University drama and music students perform the popular Broadway musical Half a Sixpence in weekend fundraiser.

You're moving – Did you forget me?

In Quebec, approximately 45 per cent of households have a pet, but according to statistics, many owners only keep them for two years or less. Because of this, about 500,000 cats and dogs are abandoned in Quebec each year. The reasons for leaving an animal behind are many, but without a doubt the greatest time of abandonment occurs during the moving season. In July, a lot of pets are found in deserted apartments or left roaming in the urban and rural areas. Did you know that Montreal is one of the cities in North America with the largest number of stray cats?

The S.Q.D.A (Société Québécoise pour la défense des animaux), believes that this problem could be solved through education and awareness. Firstly, you must know that before adopting a pet you should think things through. Ask yourself the following questions: Do you know the needs and the behavior of the breed of animal you are thinking of adopting? Are you aware that a young animal requires much more attention than an older one? What will happen to the pet: if you're leaving for the holidays, or if you develop allergies, or if your schedule becomes too busy, or if you change partners or if you have a baby? What will you do if you're obliged to move and you can't take your pet with you? If you are unable to provide reasonable answers to these questions, then perhaps you're better off not adopting a pet at all!

COURTESY SPA

If you're planning to move, don't forget the four-legged members of the family.

Please remember that you are responsible for finding a new home for your animal if for some reason you are unable to keep it and care for it. Please inform your network of friends and family and your veterinarian, or place a classified ad in order to help your pet find a suitable home. Whatever you choose to do, never leave an animal in the street or in the wild, hoping that some good Samaritan will take care of him or that he/she will learn to fend for itself, because most of the time, he/she will die from cold, hunger, disease, fall prey to predators or may even be run over.

Of course you may take it to a pound, but please take note that in a very strong percentage of cases, your pet will most likely be euthanized, because in this case, supply does indeed exceed demand!

And please, never adopt an animal simply for personal amusement during a vacation, especially if your intention is to abandon him/her afterwards. Teach your children that having a pet is a tremendous joy but it is also a big responsibility and it is for a lifetime. Do not offer an animal as a gift unless you specifically know that the pet will be welcomed; an animal is not a toy that you can throw away after you are tired or bored with it.

And above all, remember that neutering or spaying your pet is the best and most likely the easiest way to help prevent overpopulation and the resulting mass euthanasia's. Think of this: a minor surgery performed by your Veterinarian on your pet is a way of saving lives!

For further information, please contact Patricia Tulasne at (514) 792-5454 or call your local SPA.

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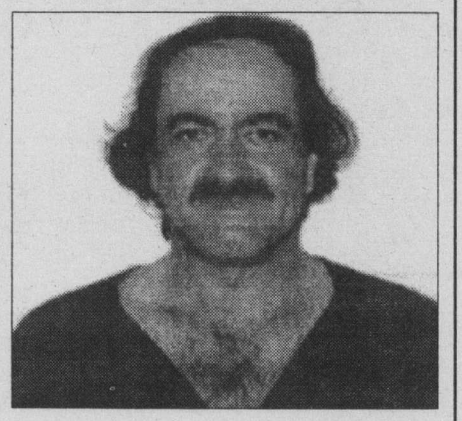


The Sûreté du Québec of Haute-Yamaska is seeking Leo Dubord for breaking the terms of probation this past April and May. The man is likely in the Granby area, on the bike trail. He's comfortable in the woods. Dubois is about 45 years old, 1.77 metres tall. He weighs 80 kg, has brown hair and brown eyes. He speaks French. Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Guy Lemelin of the MRC de la Haute-Yamaska at 450-539-3252.

BRIEFS

Mechoui in Magog

The Townshippers, Day fundraising team invites all Townshippers to a special Mechoui to kick off its summer fundraising activities. It will take place Saturday, June 26 at the Magog Arena on Principale Street East in Magog, at 5:30 - 9 p.m.

The mechoui features a roast of pork and beef, along with a variety of salads and desserts sure to be a hit for the whole family. Tickets are $20 for adults and $10 for children age 12 or younger.

The event will be hosted by the 2004 Townshippers, Day Organizing Committee co-chairs, Melvyn Bryant and Rev. Dr. Deane Moffat. This will certainly be a fun-filled family event and a fabulous kick-start to the T-Day fundraising campaign.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Townshippers' Association at Lennoxville 566-5717, toll free 1-866-566-5717, or

Cowansville 563-4422 or 1-866-263-4422, or email ct@townshippers.qc.ca. It's a good idea to act early ^ tickets are going fast.

If you'd like to volunteer for this or any other activities of the T-Day

Organizing Committee, please contact Townshippers, Association. Support for activities and donations for Townshippers, Day are greatly appreciated.

Blood Donor Clinics

Thursday, June 17
Fleurimont
Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Galeries Quatre Saisons of Fleurimont
930-13th Avenue North
1:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Objective: 135 donors

Friday, June 18
Fleurimont
Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Galeries Quatre Saisons of Fleurimont
930-13th Avenue North
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Weather

Today: Sunny with cloudy periods. High 28.

Friday: A mix of sun and cloud. 30 percent chance of showers. Low 13. High 23.

Saturday: Cloudy. 60 percent chance of showers. Low 14. High 21.

Sunday: Sunny. Low 8. High 22.

Normals for the period .. Low 9. High 23.

Ben by Daniel Shelton

Salvation Army appeals for help to feed families

By Scott McLean

The Salvation Army said yesterday that it is in urgent of money and food after adding 22 new families to their list of people in need last Friday. The Salvation Army already cares for over 80 families in the region and already the organization is feeling the strain said spokesman for the organization, Major David Carey.

"We are short on donations at the moment, our meat stocks are completely depleted, so a cash purchase would help purchase meat for those in need," says Carey. "These people were unexpected, and unfortunately we have a strict budget so it becomes difficult whenever new faces show up looking for help."

The Salvation Army receives funding and food from Moisson Estrie, which in turn receives donations and shares food with other Quebec and national food banks. Nationally, Quebec receives 30 per cent of the National Food Bank's total donations, and of that 30 per cent, Moisson Estrie receives approximately three percent. Of that three percent, the Salvation Army is Moisson Estrie's largest beneficiary.

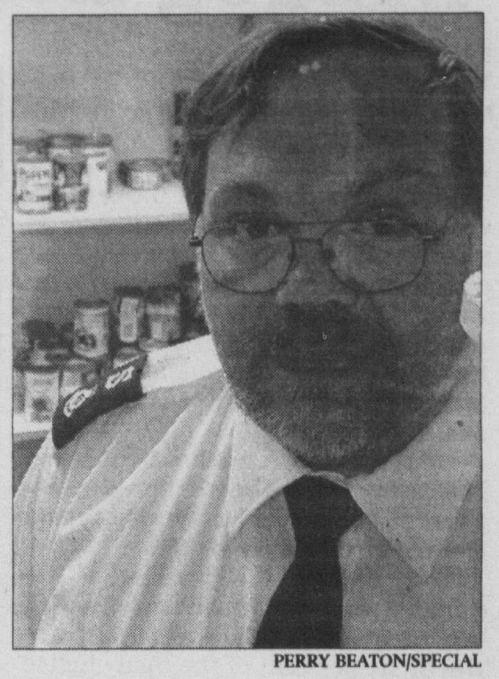
While the Salvation Army is weathering the current storm and asking for donations immediately, Moisson Estrie says that the real turbulence will arrive in mid August and September, when the school season starts again. Moisson spokesman Gilles Duquette says that while the increase for the Salvation Army was expected, the real crisis for the area will begin in the fall.

"Right now we are at a decent level for food supplies," says Duquette. "But the real test is going to be when the students come back in the fall. We always see a jump at that time. But the key is preparation and getting the community involved ahead of time, so that it isn't a crisis."

For individuals to qualify for aid, the Salvation Army requires proof of their current financial situation, a permanent residence and authentic identification. After being scrutinized, individuals are then able to receive food from the downtown Sherbrooke or Richmond location. The amount of food given to each family is highly regimented, as the budget for the Salvation Army is set out much earlier in the year. Because the amount of support Moisson Estrie gives the Salvation Army is fixed, the 22-family increase has caused a significant strain on the current stock of food.

"People can help out by giving either cash donations, which are very helpful because of the flexibility - we can use the money for a variety of different items," says Carey. "We can really then judge where the most need is and attempt to rectify the situation. Food donations are always welcomed. These are the times when we really need the community to pitch in and help out."

The Salvation Army is located at 112 Wellington Sud, suite 201 in downtown Sherbrooke.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Sally-Ann spokesman Major David Carey said the addition of 22 new families has placed a strain on resources.

MacAulay:

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Lennoxville will have to pay, there will be transition costs totaling some $280,000 according to an independent study commissioned by the provincial government. The study by the accounting firm of RCMP also points out there will be an 11.72 per cent increase in taxes - $197 on the average home evaluated at $104,000.

Over and above that will be the cost of staffing and re-equipping the public works departments as well as town hall. Former town employees have moved into the system and want to move forward, he said.

MacAulay said the fire department will operate the same way with the same staff, but he's not sure if they will be able to keep the new ladder truck. He said the fire chief Michel Richer fought for Lennoxville to get that key piece of equipment which was coveted by a councillor from the old city of Sherbrooke. "In a new structure, would Sherbrooke politicians still go along with that?"

In the area of Parks and Recreation, MacAulay points out that there is an expertise the town never had in caring for lawns, trees and facilities. He said town employees cared for parks, but that was not their first priority.

"They took care of broken water mains before mowing laws. Now the city of Sherbrooke handles it with lots of equipment," he said noting parks are cleaner, safer and better maintained than in the past.

Expertise from the City of Sherbrooke is one of the main benefits of remaining inside Sherbrooke, MacAulay said, noting Lennoxville no longer has to hire lawyers, engineers and other expensive experts.

MacAulay said the town would also have to pay for a mayor and six councillors, hire a new director general, clerk, treasurer, receptionists, recreation and culture coordinator and other staff.

In its flyer the Yes committee said it wants to reclaim its autonomy and power to hire employees. MacAulay said the borough hires all Lennoxville staffers.

The Yes forces say the town should take control over the spending of citizens' tax dollars, but if the town demergers more than half of their taxes will be sent to an urban agglomeration council that will be charged with regional priorities such as fire and police protection, public transit, property assessments and taxation, economic and tourism promotion, and urban planning. The town would regain few powers the borough doesn't already have.

Citizens will have more say in the town and the power to set priorities, claim the Yes forces. MacAulay said the borough already sets priorities, remarking that the borough set a strategic plan after a public consultation with some five dozens citizens.

"They made the recommendations and that's the direction we're moving in," he said, adding that no one in the bureaucratic system in Sherbrooke dictates what priorities are set by the boroughs.

While demerger proponents worry the borough structure could disappear, it is guaranteed by a government decree which can only be amended after a two-thirds vote by council, MacAulay said. He points out that a majority of councillors come from former towns, and councillors in Sherbrooke are coming around to the idea as they get more power to act directly in their own neighborhoods.

"There is a very slim chance that will happen, but I can't predict the future," he said.

The demergerists say Lennoxville would have more control over town development in areas like roads and permits which they say are decided upon and carried out by mega-city employees. That's not true, said MacAulay, noting the borough sets priorities for road maintenance and hands out most permits and licenses - except for license fees for dogs and cats which is handled by the SPA.

MacAulay admits that road maintenance is an issue for Lennoxville. "We have the worst roads in all of Sherbrooke," he said, adding that a study for the old town said it should spend $500,000 a year over 10 years to bring the road network up to scratch.

Before the merger, the town was spending between $120,000 and $160,000. Last year it spent $300,00 for work on Academy, Mead and Atto - thanks to its surplus - and received an infrastructure grant for $355,000 for Howard Street that was shared in equal thirds by the federal, provincial governments and the City of Sherbrooke.

"This year we got nothing for major work - but you win some and you lose some."

The committee argues the town would keep investments it paid for, but MacAulay said many of those, including Uplands, the bike path, Montjoye park and Johnville Bog, have been classified as regional assets and will belong to the agglomeration council.

He points out that the City of Sherbrooke invested $25,000 in the Johnville Bog last year - money the town could not have afforded. Lennoxville used to put about $6,000 a year in the ecological reserve. The city also invested $27,500 in Uplands and pays for the upkeep for the historical museum.

As for paying for projects citizens do not support, MacAulay said the agglomeration tax will continue to force Lennoxville residents to pay for the Cité des Rivières waterfront development, as well as regional assets like Jacques Cartier Park, the Sports Palace, the Eva Senecal Library, the Granada Theatre and Mount Bellevue park.

"People think they are not going to have to pay for anything and they are wrong," he said, encouraging citizens to obtain a copy of the government study at town hall or the library. He and borough councillors Tom Allen and Bill Smith also have copies.

"I encourage people to vote and exercise their democratic right," MacAulay said, "but I encourage them to vote with all the facts."

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Magog demerger forces make final pleas

By Leah Fitzgerald
MAGOG

To demerge, or not to demerge, that is the question.

Each of the two sides of the demerger debate in Magog sees the answer as simple. For the "Yes" committee from Magog Township, getting their "canton" back is the only answer, even under the constraints of Bill 9. For the Nos, led by new City of Magog Mayor Marc Poulin, the answer is to stay as one city.

Of the 6,449 registered voters in Magog Township, 13 per cent – 852 people – cast their ballots on Sunday and Monday in the advance polls.

Though Poulin was critical of the number who voted in advance "just to vote early," he said he was certain that five or six per cent of the total eligible voters who cast their vote early just wanted to be sure to get their chance to sound off in favour of the new city.

"I can almost guarantee that," he said.

For the referendum to be successful, there must be 35 per cent voter turnout – 2,257 votes – and there must be at least 35 per cent votes for yes, and those must be a majority over the no votes.

The yes committee from the Township is hoping to get the majority and the 35 per cent, even if they think the process is flawed.

LEAH FITZGERALD

Simon Langlois and Yvon Bernier met with the media on Tuesday morning to introduce supporters for a demerger of Magog Township from the new city of Magog.

Last week, Latulippe told reporters he was afraid of the precedent set by the referendum process.

"At least 35 per cent of people must vote yes," he said. "Since when do we need a minimum for a democratic vote? How can the government, and the Parti Québécois, let this happen?"

The thresholds set by the government weren't the demergerists only concerns.

"They promised a democratic consultation, so citizens could speak their minds," he said. "We were supposed to have more supporters present, but because of pressure from the mayor and the council, they didn't feel it was good for the organizations they represent.

"We hope the director general of elections will have the courage to look into these things," he added.

BILL 9

If a demerger does occur, the two separated cities will be forever joined by the agglomeration council, which will govern the shared "services de proximités" – fire, sewage, water, garbage pick-up, among many.

Poulin told The Record Bill 9 does not allow for the Township to have any power in the decisions.

"They will have two seats, the city will have four," he said. "It's better to accept this reluctant marriage than to lose all the power in decisions."

Poulin said he's offered to meet with the demergerists several times to discuss the problems the Township has been suffering.

"They say they've lost services," he said. "They can't come up with any concrete examples. They complain about snow removal, but you have to be a little patient."

It was, of course, Poulin said, an exceptional winter for snow.

"There has no been loss of service in the township," he said. "In some cases, the service has already been improved."As for tax increases, which have been a major issue for the demergerists, Poulin said the city will only raise tax revenue by 3 per cent over the next 3 years, with Magog Township absorbing only 1 per cent.

"The tax rate will increase from 88 cents to 90.4," he said. "Before the merger, the tax rate in the township increased 30 per cent over the previous three years."

Poulin said the city council worked hard to find a way to make it as fair as possible as the need to share the former municipalities' debts became pressing.

"Under the law, the township will have to pay its share of the low-cost housing overrun," he said. "They can't avoid that. We are sharing the HydroMagog profits."

Those profits work out to about $2 million.

"Even if there are differences, there's no point in working as two entities," he said. "It's urban versus rural, but we all pay the same services, and it's better with one tax base than two or three."

But the demergerists in Magog aren't afraid. Armed with a study released on their Web site – www.defusionmagog.ca.tc – this morning, they say the Township could be better off independent of the City of Magog.

"We already had many shared services through the MRC," Richard Latulippe told reporters at a press conference on June 9. "We will regain some control over those services through the council and our seat on the MRC."

The demergerists are also counting on the 4-2 ratio of seats to help them prevent the City of Magog from pushing through any "shared service" projects, like the proposed new library.

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If you are experiencing some of those symptoms, you may be suffering from an obsessive-compulsive disorder. If you are between 18 and 65, you could benefit from an investigational drug.

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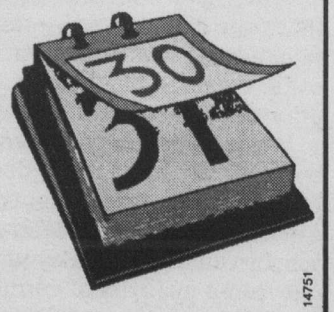

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Former St-Élie mayor switches allegiances

After consideration, Gingras supports merged City of Sherbrooke

By Rita Legault
SHERBROOKE

Last week, former St-Élie d'Orford Mayor Richard Gingras waded into the demerger debate stating that, after careful consideration, he hoped the suburb would not split away from the new City of Sherbrooke.

Gingras, who ran against Sherbrooke Mayor Jean Perrault in the last election, somewhat represented towns and citizens that were reluctant partners in the shotgun merger with Sherbrooke that was forced upon suburbs by the Parti Québécois government.

But after a long reflection, carefully weighing the pros and cons of a demerger, Gingras decided it was better for St-Élie to stay put in the new city.

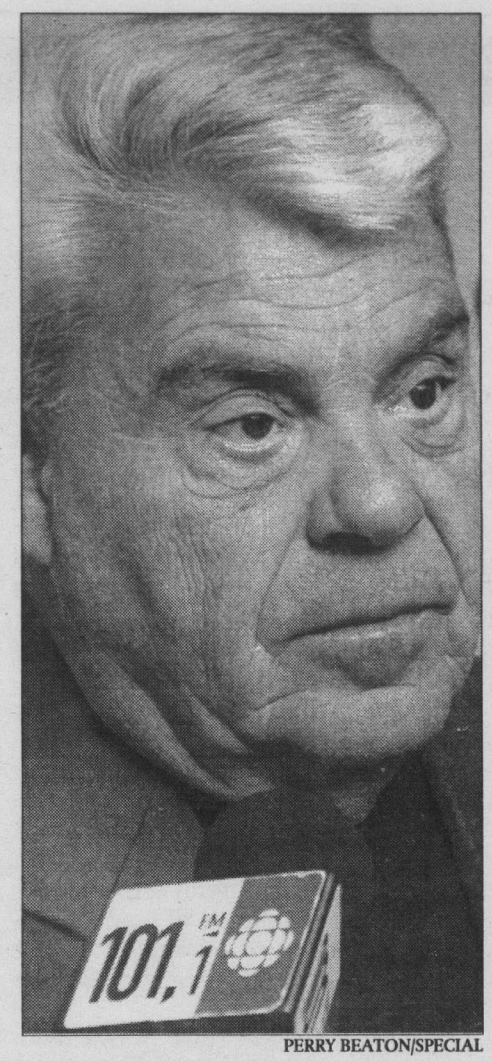
Gingras, who was consulted by both the demerger and status quo committees in town, told *The Record* this week that at first he believed St-Élie could regain its status as an independent municipality.

He pointed out that in Bill 9, the provincial demerger legislation, St-Élie and Bromptonville have a different status that does not link them to Sherbrooke. He believed the towns would not be forced to take part in urban agglomeration councils that would regroup the centre city and its suburbs.

But Gingras said Municipal Affairs Minister Jean-Marc Fournier vowed to change that status and amend the law to force St-Élie and Bromptonville to take part in the agglomeration councils. That, he said, means St-Élie residents would send most of its tax money to the urban group that would be charged with such things as fire and police protection, public transit, property assessments and taxation, economic and tourism promotion, urban planning as well as other issues once covered by Regional Municipal Councils (MRCs).

Reconstituted municipalities would only deal with local issues like road maintenance, garbage, construction and renovation permits as well as local parks and recreation.

Gingras said the government has made it quite clear that citizens will not get their former town back and he's angry with Liberal Premier Jean Charest and Fournier for going back on their promises made before and during the last provincial election.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Former St-Élie d'Orford Mayor Richard Gingras has decided it is better for St-Élie to stay put in the new city.

Gingras said that forcing demerged towns and cities to take part in urban agglomeration councils with their neighbors is tantamount to a second forced merger.

Gingras said that if former town splits away, citizens of St-Élie would have to send 50 to 60 per cent of its tax money to the agglomeration council. That would leave few funds to reconstitute the town and face new responsibilities such as integrated waste management, building a new reservoir for drinking water, and paying its share of a needed expansion at the sewage treatment plant.

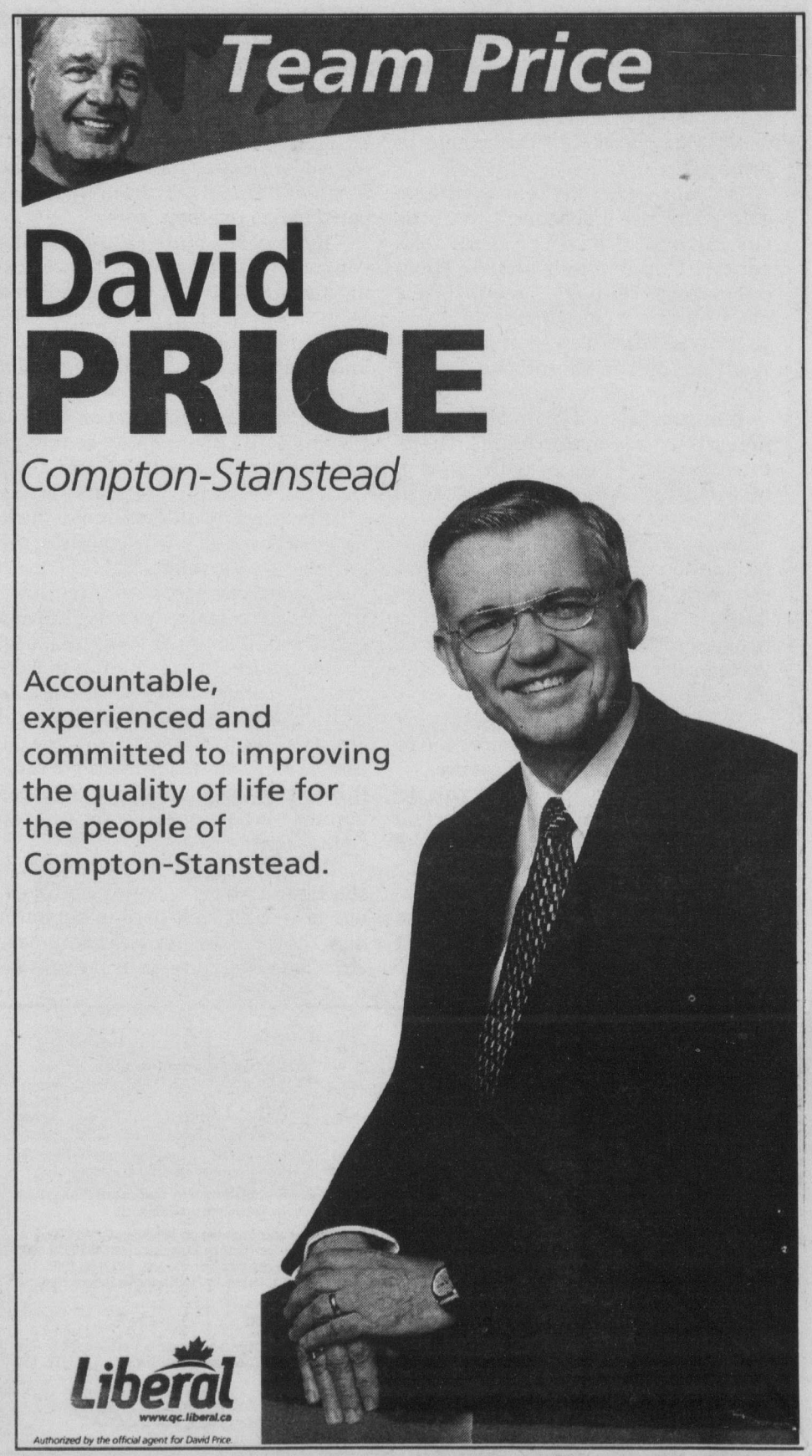
Furthermore, Gingras said the town would be starting from scratch. Half its former employees have retired and the other half have moved on to better paid jobs for the city,

"We would be starting at zero and that would be perilous," he said.

Gingras, who was mayor of St-Élie for 24 years, said he could not remain silent. "I had to inform the people who gave me their confidence for so many years of the new responsibilities they will face and the costs of such a decision. People need to make an informed choice."

After that, Gingras said he will live with the democratic decision taken by residents of St-Élie. When asked about possible political intention, Gingras said he has no intention of returning to municipal politics.

"I don't have as much adrenaline as I used to," he joked. "For now I am taking care of my wife and my grandson."



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Referendum will determine future forever

DEAR EDITOR,

I read in The Record of June 2 that Sherbrooke was applying for $3 million for the Marché de Gare as well as $6.6 million for the Magog River gorge. Sherbrooke says the projects were a priority for the city council and have been adopted by city residents. Did the citizens of Lennoxville have any say in these decisions and do they want to pay taxes for these expensive projects?

Is it not time that Lennoxville regain its former independent town status instead of having Sherbrooke control Lennoxville's affairs. Then, once again, Lennoxville will have a mayor and six councillors who will govern the town instead of one representative on the Sherbrooke council and two borough councillors.

Lennoxville is not in the Sherbrooke federal or provincial ridings, therefore, why would Lennoxville want to be included in the municipality of Sherbrooke?

In Rod MacIver's letter to the editor he pointed out that the Quebec Government as structured Bill 9 which forces 35 per cent of eligible voters to vote yes for the demerger to succeed, therefore, if you do not vote it is counted as a no vote.

It is important that every citizen get out and vote so that their voices can be heard on the status of Lennoxville.

Elections come and go but this demerger referendum is more important for the citizens of Lennoxville as it will determine the future of Lennoxville forever.

RICHARD ST. DIZIER
Danville

More at stake than demerger

DEAR EDITOR,

In recent weeks merger advocates have warned citizens who wish to demerge that they will never have their old towns back the way they were.

I will not deny that this is true given Bill 9, a bill so undemocratic the Charest government should be ashamed. Nevertheless, merger advocates should tell the whole truth.

Last month, prior to the demerger registrations, the City of Sherbrooke sent out literature to our homes painting a doomsday scenario if Lennoxville or any of the other municipalities voted to reclaim their towns.

There were important points the campaign literature omitted. For example, it did not say a reborn Lennoxville would regain some essential elements of community autonomy and democracy, that demerger would give Lennoxville control over some expenditures, freedom to tailor services to local needs, and improve communications between citizens and their leaders. In fact, the literature distributed by the City of Sherbrooke made no mention at all of the powers of the reconstituted municipalities.

In addition, a reconstituted town would have a seat on the Agglomeration Council, and the right to appeal any decision of that Council to Quebec's municipal affairs minister. As well, because a reborn town would enjoy full legal status, it could take the central mega-city (Sherbrooke) to court if it did not like a decision. (Merged boroughs would not have the last two rights mentioned above).

This is not to say by any stretch of the imagination, that we would get our town back as it used to be, but it does show that the City of Sherbrooke circulated literature to its citizens deliberately omitting information, in an attempt to deter citizens from signing the demerger registers. Is this the type of city you want to be a part of?

This debate is not just about divided powers, taxes and studies on the consequences of demerger. This debate is also about community. Registration victories in towns like Lennoxville were truly grassroots victories, in defence of a precarious sense of community. Precisely what gains of the merger process can offset the painful loss of community?

Liberal MNA Geoffrey Kelly, criticizing his own government's Bill 9 and advocating support for demergers, summed it up, "local democracy is an essential element of a vibrant community. We need to return control of our services to the community level."

If you do not vote YES this coming Sunday, then you show no condemnation of the way the PQ government rammed through merger legislation without any meaningful consultation, and no condemnation of how the Liberal government promised us the chance to undo the mergers only to betray us with Bill 9.

There is more at stake in this referendum than the break up or survival of Lennoxville and other merged towns. It is also about politicians who tamper with our democratic traditions.

ROD MACIVER
Lennoxville

Sutton demerger would produce a two-headed monster

DEAR EDITOR,

I would doubt that a large number of Quebec citizens, myself included, were happy with the former P.Q. government's anti-democratic forced mergers of many municipalities in 2002. With the referendum date of June 20, now just around the corner, citizens of the former Township of Sutton need to look long and hard at the impact of a successful "yes" vote.

The literature from the "yes" committee would have us believe that the best interests of local citizens cannot be met within the current merged Sutton operating with one council and one mayor. Are there such fundamental differences between town people and out-of-towners on matters of fiscal responsibility, the environment, development, tourism, recreation, cultural respect, social causes, etc. that the needs of all residents in the area cannot be met? There must be a hidden agenda since I cannot believe that in our case we do not have enough people with foresight and good will to make the current Sutton work – and work well.

People have already exercised their democratic right to cause a referendum on the matters. Unfortunately it automatically triggers a minimum cost to original Township residents of $2000. Will a successful "yes" give us back our former Township as it was? Absolutely not. The geography will be the same, but the political management and what is managed, is another story.

The Township would start with an elected council with its associated costs. Added to that will be an elected agglomeration council with members from both the Township and the Residual Town of Sutton. This mandated council will cost us more money and introduce a new layer of -bureaucracy.

The reconstituted Township of Sutton will have 54 per cent of the votes on the Agglomeration Council based on population. Sounds good until you realize that the Residual Town of Sutton has a VETO on every decision made by this committee.

The alternative to the merged town that we have now is a two-headed monster with another level of bureaucracy that we do not have now. Added to that is the reality that we will have less control of our fortunes than now exists.

My vote will be "no" on the 20th.

R.K. DOUGLAS
Sutton

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Perspectives

In a word, pool-vacuuming sucks

ROSS MURRAY

I rented the film Swimming Pool the other night. I thought it was a how-to video on pool care and maintenance but it ended up being about a frequently nude sex kitten. I was very disappointed.

I had hoped the video would offer me some insight into the question that plagues most pool owners, namely, "Why the heck don't I take an axe to this thing?" It's sort of a "Zen and the Art of Filter Cleaning" question.

Our pool – or as I like to call it, "our !@*(#*$|?#!! pool" – is an above-ground variety, the same as the neighbor's to the right of us and the neighbor's to the left. In fact, if we could somehow get hold of some trained dolphins, we could make a killing charging admission as they leapt from pool to pool to pool. Humans could leap too but that would be far less graceful. (Of course, maybe with a couple fewer tequila shots I wouldn't have looked so clumsy.)

I was generally against the idea of putting a pool smack in the middle of our beautiful wide-open back yard. I prefer my green spaces free of water-filled lawn-mowing obstacles. I figured the simpler, cheaper solution was simply to suck up to one of the aforementioned neighbors. Deb argued that it was a way to keep the kids amused during those long boring summer days, which begin about 12 hours after school closes. So we compromised: I agreed to put in the pool and the rest of the family agreed that I should be the one to clean it.

And that's when the pool became "the !@*(#*$|?#!! pool."

To be fair, I ended up responsible for pool maintenance because I broke the first rule of manhood: "Do something well once and you'll end up doing it forever." That's how we got stuck with barbecuing too.

The pool-related aggravation begins when the kids start pestering me about when the pool is going to be ready. This usually begins sometime in February. When the ice finally melts, I start scooping out the dead leaves, Barbie parts, and tricycles. Then it's time to vacuum out the gunk that has settled over the winter. I'm not sure what the gunk is but it has the same consistency of the stuff you scrape off your teeth when you wake up on a strange couch in an apartment owned by a guy named Arvin.

It takes about five vacuumings to de-gunk the pool entirely and on some days, it is a hot sunburn-inducing task.

Now before any of you women readers start fantasizing about romantic liaisons with the pool boy, let me inform you there is nothing sexy about being covered in pool scum while trying to yank a snorkel out of a skimmer. Go ahead: picture Antonio Banderas. Now imagine him saying, "Good afternoon, my lady. Would you care to help me... backwash?" See, just doesn't do it for you, does it.

All this work wouldn't be so bad if I actually swam in the pool. But generally I get in maybe three or four times a summer. It has to be somewhere just under 100º F before I'll swim, which is a bit odd, since I grew up swimming in the frigid waters of Nova Scotia. That's the province with the license plate "Canada's Ocean Playground" though it actually should read "Some Shrinkage May Occur."

And then there are all the chemicals: chlorine, algaecide, pool clarifier, pool emulsifier, pool polarizer, pool equalizer, pool excalibur, pool softener. I don't know what half the chemicals are for. I only know that after I get out, I glow in the dark for a good 10 minutes.

This year, it's taken weeks to ready the pool. It's just barely swimmable and a long way from being warm enough for me. Maybe it's because of the cold weather, but I just can't seem to muster the enthusiasm to get the liner as spotless as I usually like it. I'm sure I can get away with it though: "That's not dirt, kids. That's a sandbar. Jump in. It's just like Nova Scotia!"

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A must-see musical at Bishop's

DEAR EDITOR

Get yourself and ALL your family into a great summer mood!

This weekend, June 17, 18, 19, 20, at Bishop's University Centennial Theatre, at 8 p.m., "Half a Sixpence" is an absolute 'must see' for everybody in the family!

It's ALL Bishop's students - even the pit musicians - in a zesty, catchy, musical with amazing singing and dancing and many great choruses! I cannot think of a moment when anyone in the cast just stood there! The actors enter from every possible door, they sing right among the audience,and the music itself is wonderful!

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Lennoxville

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ELECTION 2004

MÉGANTIC-L'ERABLE

Binet believes Bloc is beatable in Mégantic

By Stephen McDougall
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

When Gérard Binet was elected Liberal MP for the riding of Frontenac-Megantic riding in the fall of 2000, he predicted that the Bloc Québécois would disappear by the next election, given the decline in the number of seats it won.

Today, Binet has had to change his prediction, given the upsurge of Bloc popularity, but he also believes he can get re-elected in the newly-named riding of Megantic-L'Erables despite the poor image his Liberal party has in Quebec.

"I am asked about the sponsorship scandal, but not very often," he said.

"More people are concerned here about economic development and job creation. All the Bloc has to offer is separation for the province."

Through most of the campaign in the riding, Binet and Bloc candidate Marc Boulianne have been sniping at each other, claiming the other has not been an effective candidate.

Binet has tried to use Boulianne's past performance as a local Parti Québécois politician against him.

"When he represented the provincial riding, he made a lot of enemies," claimed Binet.

"The people of Plessisville still remember the fight over school closures when he sided with the school in Black Lake instead of staying neutral and letting the school board decide."

Binet also reminds voters that Boulianne opted not to act on the future use of the St. Julien Hospital in St. Ferdinand. The abandoned hospital, once used as an orphanage during the Duplessis regime, still remains idle while the Thetford Mines hospital lacks beds.

"His only suggestion was that the building be torn down and replaced by a smaller clinic," said Binet.

"At a time when this area needs hospital beds, all he could think of was how to save his PQ government money. Imagine what he would do for the Bloc."

Boulianne, who lost his job as a PQ member of the Quebec legislature in last year's provincial election, counters that Binet has not done enough to stimulate the local economy.

"He claims that $20 million in federal money has been earmarked for this area," said Boulianne.

"But most of that comes in the form of promises and little action. He has promised more money in the last four months than he did in the past four years."

Boulianne argues the Thetford Mines area companies need more seed money if they are to grow and create employment. He argues Binet has been lax in responding those needs.

"We have companies that can do fantastic things with plastic, metal, oil and wood, but they need funds to do more research and development and find better ways to produce their products."

But Binet argues Boulianne is one to talk. He claims the former PQ politician did not help the area economically because he is not a businessman.

"He was a history teacher who never had to take any risks like me," said Binet.

"I have a hardware store and an interior wood fittings company. I know what can be done with federal money to create the jobs we need."

Binet argues Boulianne's only interest is in Quebec independence and that he is presently riding the wave of protest votes against the Liberals.

"He thinks he can sit back and let the votes come his way," said Binet.

"Well, he is mistaken. Many see him as a loser because he was thrown out by the electorate last year. All he cared about was preaching separation then, and now he will do the same at the federal level."

Boulianne counters that the riding was once served for two terms by Bloc MP Jean-Guy Chrétien and that enough Bloc support remains to beat out the Liberals.

"Remember, over 53 per cent of the riding voters opted for independence in the 1995 referendum," he said.

"We also have enough disgruntled Liberals who are working for us this time. We may be getting a lot of protest votes, but that is part of democracy."

NDP candidate Alexandre Coté agrees that the riding needs more economic development, but that Binet and Boulianne are not the people who can do the job.

"They are too busy putting each other down and arguing Quebec independence versus federalism," said Coté.

"Meanwhile, the riding is losing companies. They are leaving the area for more urban settings where they can get better workers and be closer to markets and suppliers. We need to encourage these businesses to stay or our unemployment rate is going to increase."

Coté, a security agent from Plessisville, argues the Liberals have been discredited by the sponsorship scandal, but that the protest vote will be wasted on the Bloc.

"The BQ has no real, long-term platform," he said.

"It was only supposed to be a temporary movement by disgruntled Liberals and Conservatives in the early 1990s. The only reason it has grown in popularity again is because of disgruntled Liberals and Conservatives."

Thetford Mines businesswoman Charlotte Ferland believes both Binet and Boulianne are credible candidates, which makes it harder for her to decide.

"Binet has made an effort to promote this area in Ottawa and Boulianne has political experience in the Quebec legislature," she said.

"But their party images are the problem. The Liberals are scandal-plagued and the Bloc has little to offer but independence. This one is anyone's guess."

Ferland argues more people in Thetford are concerned about the upcoming demerger vote this coming Sunday than the federal vote on June 28.

"Two of our five sectors could split away after Sunday," she said.

"That seems to hit more to home with local voters than what will happen in faraway Ottawa."

Yves Mailly, the Conservative candidate in the riding, could not be contacted by the Record for this article.

Green Party candidate Bruno Vézina just want respect.

It's about time Green Party candidates are treated as equals. That's the message from Bruno Vézina, Green Party candidate for Mégantic-L'érable.

"This is an historic moment for us," Vézina told The Record. "This is the first election the Greens will run candidates in all 308 federal ridings."

But despite their increased visibility, Vézina says the Greens are still overlooked by the mainstream media.

"Jim Harris, the leader of the Party, has been ignored by the media and could not even participate in the televised debate," he said. "It's happened to me too—I send press releases everywhere and maybe one out of 10 times, someone responds."

When Vézina is not campaigning for the upcoming election, the former school teacher says he's busy with his other day job.

Last fall, Vézina was elected mayor of Irlande, a small municipality with a population of 900 near Thetford Mines.

The Green candidate says he's been able to make several ecological strides in this rural town, known for its maple syrup, pig and dairy farms.

As a founding member of la coalition citoyenne pour l'Environnement and comité de citoyens pour la sauvegarde de l'eau (SeauS Irlande), Vézina says he's ready to take his local experience to the provincial level.

"It's a small citizens movement oriented towards the respect of the quality of water, the better treatment of water and the importance of diminishing the consumption of water," Vézina said of SeauS, a group he started just two years ago.

Among some of the other issues on his platform, Vézina says health and the economy are other key priorities.

If he's elected, Vézina wants 15 per cent of the national defence budget to be used towards bettering the health care system and he'd also like to improve the rights of seasonal workers.

Vézina adds he's optimistic the people of Mégantic-l'érable, a riding that has been dominated by the Liberals since 2000, are ready for a change.

"There's a definitive urge for a new party," said Vézina. "I get people that are 40-years-old and have never voted before who write me letters to say that for the first time they have a reason to go to the ballot because we fit their value system."

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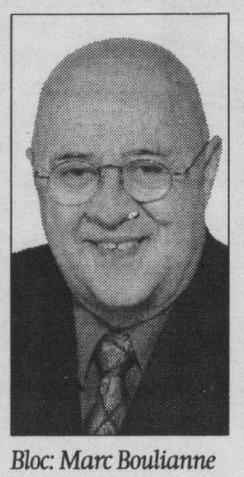
Liberal: Gérard Binet



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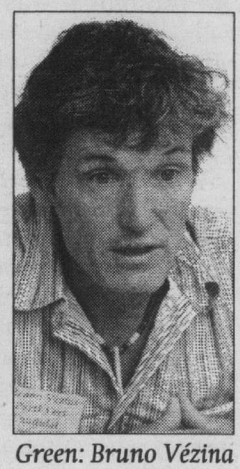

Green: Bruno Vézina

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Mégantic-L'Erable

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Stanstead to hold hazardous waste collection day

By Nancy Nourse
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Protecting the environment is a subject close to the heart of Stanstead Councillor Matthew Farfan. That is why the Town of Stanstead will hold a hazardous waste collection day June 19 at the old Fire Hall on Daly Street from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"The list of acceptable materials includes solvents, old paint, anything that you may have in your kitchen or garage that has the skull and crossbones insignia on it or should have, old batteries and even computer parts this year – no tires, please," said Farfan.

"There will be qualified technicians on site to make sure the products are disposed of in the proper manner. Members of the fire department and the Council will also be on hand."

Farfan also wanted to be sure that people were aware of just how dangerous it is to dump old oil or chemicals down the town's sewer system.

This habit is dangerous for both human and wildlife populations. It is also imperative that residents do not include spray cans of any kind as part of their weekly garbage – if heated there is a danger they may explode.

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Library shows Heritage of the Earth

By Nancy Nourse
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Heritage of the Earth, the newest exhibit at the North Hatley Library features the vibrant work of Ena Greyeyes and pottery by the talented Paula Curphey.

During the upcoming summer months, the library will feature local artists in a series of two-week exhibitions. Upcoming artists include Sara Peck Colby, Gillian Angus Cote, Annis Karpenko and Naisi LeBaron.

"The kinds of different things you can create using clay is infinite. I like to recreate pieces that have caught my eye and that I hope will become a favourite of my customers as well," explained Curphey this week.

"The pieces I have brought here are mostly bowls and different styles of pitchers and dishes, but what makes them unique is the interaction of the natural chemicals in the clay with the dyes that I use.

"The placement of an article in the kiln, how steady and how high the temperature are important factors in the finished results."

Donnie Rittenhouse, who is on the organizing committee of the North Hatley Library is extremely pleased with this summer's program.

The work by Greyeyes currently on exhibit is not only expected to be appealing to the eye, but it should become even more fascinating once she begins telling the stories behind it.

The vibrant use of natural colours, which she developed herself, adds a special touch. The fact that Greyeyes is a member of the Northern Saskatchewan Cree Nation lends a spiritual and ancestral air to her work. Her deep love and respect for nature flows freely through her work.

Already underway, the exhibition runs until June 26. The Library is open Tuesday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

NANCY NOURSE/CORRESPONDENT

Paula Curphey, pottery artist, and Ena Greyeyes, wood-cut artist, are displaying a joint piece of art –Greyeyes creating the four small seasonal art on the base and Curphey the rustic bowl that sits atop the base.

Fire department in training

By Nancy Nourse
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Members of the Stanstead Fire Department recently had to fight a stubborn fire in the Barnston West region of their territory – luckily the activity was part of a training session.

Although Fire Chief Pierre Sansfaçon had been planning this type of exercise for some time, Rosalind Rosenberg Platkins provided him and the other firefighters with the perfect situation – she needed to have an existing building on her land burned down to make way for a new dwelling.

Beginning at 9 a.m.at the Rosenberg Farm, the fire department set about learning techniques involving search and rescue and fighting the fire.

It wasn't until mid-afternoon that the building was actually set ablaze. Much to the surprise of many spectators, the summer home was reduced to rubble in a very short period of time.

"We are filled with many mixed emotions today. Although we are pleased that my parents will be building a new home where they will be retiring, we can't help but think of all the memories that are being destroyed in this fire," Platkins said.

"It also makes you really think how little time you really have when fire strikes. The wood in that old building burned very rapidly.

"It is really quite scary to think that there were times when there were over 12 people staying there.

"Smoke detectors really are an important early warning system."

An intriguing and very useful addition to the equipment on the scene Saturday was the Mobile Breathing Air Trailer System,

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Conference looks at relating to others

By Nancy Nourse
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

While many were expecting to hear about only physical abuse this week at a conference on non-violent communication, Gina Cenciose gave visitors much more information to think about than that.

Cenciose was at the former day centre in Stanstead this week to discuss everything from what we are observing, feeling and needing to what we are requesting to enrich our lives.

Cenciose is a qualified trainer in the field of non-violent communication and a group facilitator of community building.

She began her talk by outlining the work by Dr. Marshall Rosenberg , explaining that following the guidelines of Non-Violent Communication helps us to reframe the way we listen to others and express ourselves. Needing in this context refers to the basic human needs that we all have – autonomy, celebration, integrity, interdependence, physical nurturing, play and spiritual communion.

The process helps people to improve their skills in regard to deep listening, respect and empathy towards themselves and others.

Cenciose brought up a recent study where people from all walks of life were given the same training in non-violent communication and sent out into the field for a designated period of time.

The result was that more educated people had more difficulty when it came to actually dealing with others because they had been originally trained in the use of labels, first and foremost, which interfered with their ability to relate to themselves or others with empathy – something that is a way of life for many people today.

Many schools have been established all over the world that teach form of education – even in countries like Russia and Croatia. It is unfortunately more common throughout Europe than in Canada. Great strides have been made in recent years to change this fact, said Cenciose.

"The first basic premise of the program is that all human beings are born with a sense of compassion, a situation that is often changed by the world around us and experiences that we have had; and the second is that all human beings are motivated by their needs," she said.

"The most important of which is non-violent communication with oneself. Have you ever met someone whom you had never met before but who you had an instant dislike for?

"Did you ever consider that this intense reaction may have absolutely nothing to do with the other person but that meeting them reminded you subconsciously of someone or something that had had a negative effect on you in your own life?

"When you truly understand why you act and feel the way you do, you will notice that the way in which you relate to other people will become a much more positive and pleasant experience."

Learning to express how we feel with honesty and receiving other people with empathy makes all the difference, added Cenciose.

Stanstead celebrates 200 years under the clock

By Nancy Nourse
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STANSTEAD

Stanstead has been busy place for the past few weeks. The main festivities have been in tune with the 200th Anniversary of Centenary United Church and the Haskell Opera which is also celebrating its 100th birthday this summer.

A good-sized crowd came out to the church recently to listen to James Dundass, a gentlemen with a rare heavy, baritone tenor voice.

Centenary is one of only two stops Dundass is making on his Canadian tour this summer. He was joined by Igor Saika-Voivod who, in addition to being an accompanist, is also a cellist, composer, arranger and conductor.

The evening program included such well-known Broadway favourites as 'If I were a Rich Man,' 'This Night of a Thousand Stars' and West Side Story's 'Somewhere'.

Also included in the performance were sacred tunes such as 'Ave Maria,' 'Bless this House' and 'La Donna e mobile.'

The program at the Haskell Opera House was also interesting.

In honour of its 100th anniversary, organizers provided a show that gave the audience a peek into the kind of entertainment that appeared at the Haskell when it was first opened in 1904.

Terry Borton, as narrator and operator of the Magic Lantern projector, and Nancy V. Stewart, on piano and vocals, created the American Magic-Lantern Theatre in an effort to show just how important audience participation was back then.

Other activities and people present at Centenary Church included antique dealer Brian Davies of Sutton and antique book dealer Giacomo Falconi who helped create Stanstead's own version of the Traveling Road Show.

People came not only with old books but also with family heirlooms and other treasures to find out more about their current value.

Items ranged from antique WWI dolls to china and a dainty little perfume chest made of cranberry glass.

NANCY NOURSE/CORRESPONDENT

James Dundass took time to chat with the audience, including Roberta Dundass, his first cousin – twice removed.

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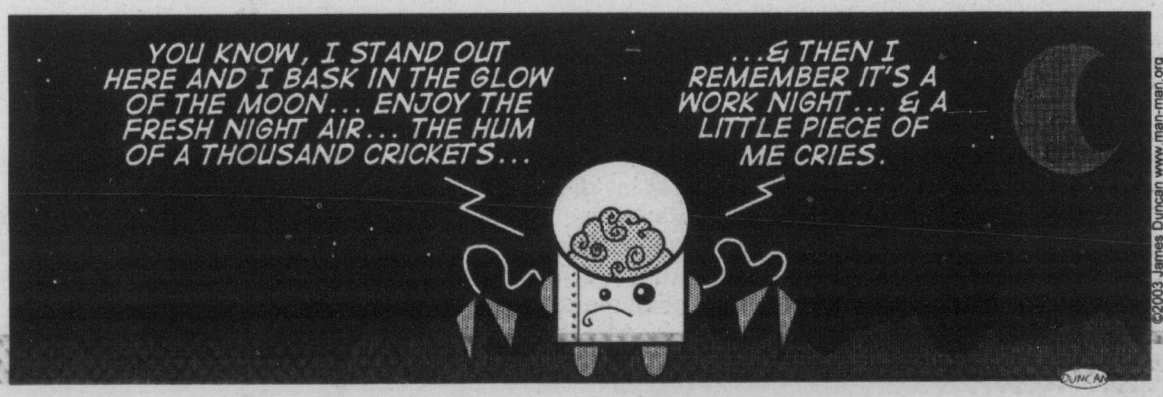

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"Through municipal taxes, everyone pays to send their garbage to the regional dump located in Barnston," concluded Farfan. "We are paying for the service – why not use it and help preserve the environment."

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Walk for Life Relay a real success

By Nancy Nourse
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

For the second year in a row members of the Happy LiteWeights took part in the annual Walk for Life Relay held last Friday. Proceeds from the walk-a-thon went to Cancer Research.

The opening ceremony was a moving one and included a young singer, bagpipes, and the release of several white doves. As is tradition, the first lap around the track was for survivors only.

The track was illuminated by over 2,800 candles purchased from participants in memory of or in support of family and friends who had been stricken with the illness.

"Each group was to choose a theme. We were known as 'the Smilies' because we had decorated our area and tent, as well as ourselves with everything we could find that had a happy face on it," explained Kathy Curtis of Stanstead.

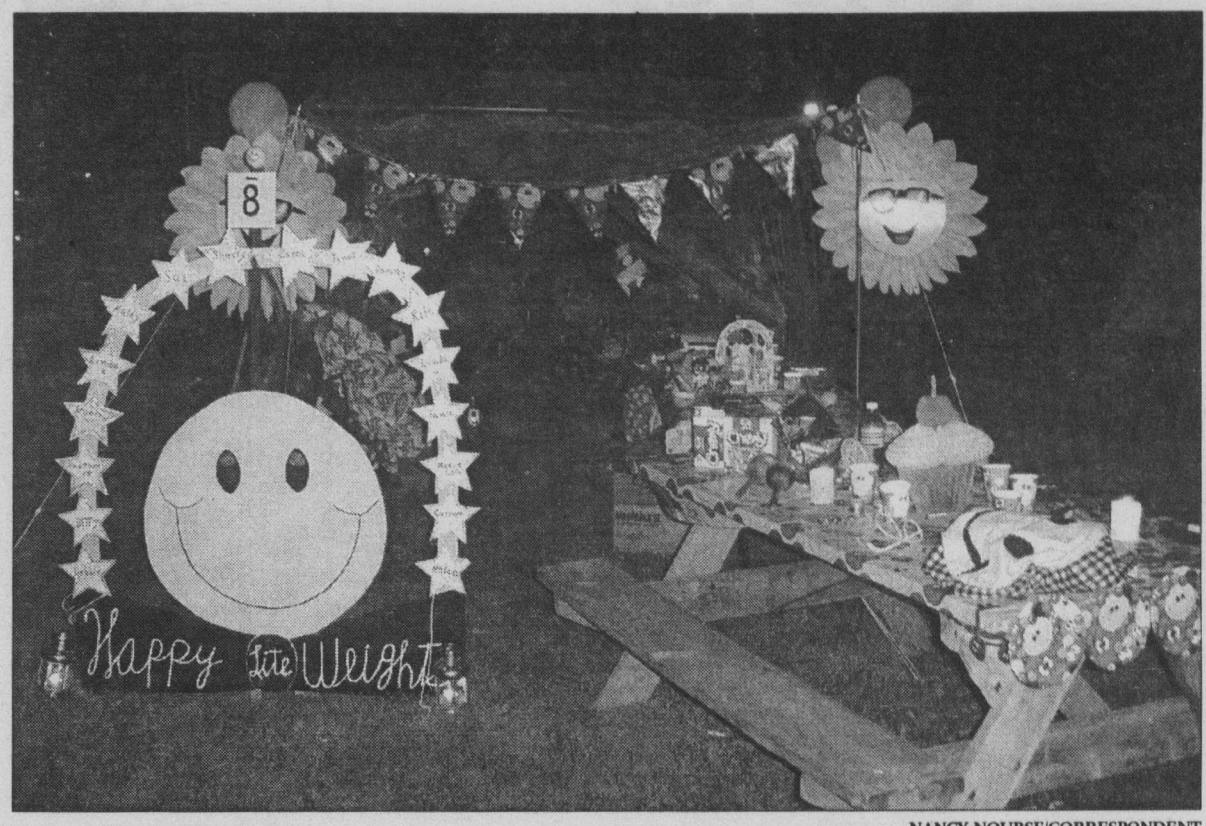
"Once you become a part of this emotional event, you just have to keep coming back. There are very few people who can say that they do not know someone, be it family or friend, that has not had to deal with cancer in some way or another"

Reverend Doreen Moffat was on hand with a group of friends who also wanted to lend their support. Rev. Moffat said the Mentor Co. had donated $1,100 to the fundraiser and had pledged to pay all fees for any team of volunteers who would represent their company.

Their challenge was taken up by a group of gentlemen from the Magog area who were all over 70 years of age.

The closing ceremony also revealed that the Smilies alone had raised close to $8,000 with Rev. Moffat Circle of Friends team coming in second with a total of nearly $5,000.

A total of 35 teams took part this year. This year's event raised a total of $95,000, which is $45,000 more than last year. Although there were several similar events taking place throughout Quebec, this particular one encompassed the region of Stanstead, Georgeville/Fitch Bay, Ayer's Cliff and Magog.



NANCY NOURSE/CORRESPONDENT

Kathy Curtis and Sherry Wintle of the Smilies were settled in their tent as they took turns walking throughout the event.

NANCY NOURSE/CORRESPONDENT

Mobile Breathing Air Trailer System, newest piece of equipment purchased by the local branch of the International Mutual Aid Association of which Stanstead is a member.

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purchased recently by the local branch of the International Mutual Aid Association through a grant from Homeland Security Agency.

The efficient — and costly — piece of equipment is designed to fill air packs on site instead of wasting valuable time having to send men to various locations several miles away to refill the tanks.

According to Sansfaçon, the time saved could very well help firefighters save more lives.

The Tank is here to stay

By Nancy Nourse
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Thanks to the hard work of members of the 202 Garrison Workshop of the Canadian Forces based in Longue-Pointe and the perseverance of Legion Member Paul Durocher, the Tank belonging to the Stanstead Branch #5 of the Royal Canadian Legion is here to stay.

"Due to the declining numbers of our Legion members and the high cost of repairing the Tank, moving it to the Legion Branch in Welland, Ont. seemed to be the only way to preserve this piece of local history," explained Paul Durocher.

"But thanks to the generosity and hard work of these three guys from Garrison 202 Workshop, we will not have to lose this valuable treasure.

"I have tried everything I could think of for the last several years to come up with a plan that would help us with this project. I knew that these guys were accustomed to this type of job so I figured it was worth a try."

Reports from World War II (Jan. 3, 1946) list 453 members of the armed forces from the Stanstead area — a real achievement for three small towns and the surrounding area.

The original name of this veterans' group was the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League. The decision was taken to join forces with Frontier Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 5 in order to enable the group to continue providing services and devotion to the widows and orphans and all of their comrades still disabled and suffering from wounds or sickness.

"It is a great honour for us to be able to help out with this restoration project. In association with celebrations for the 60th Anniversary of D-Day, we received orders to increase our visibility within the community by participating in various projects," said W.O. Harnold Savard.

"When this opportunity came along, we were very pleased. We not only get a chance to do what we love to do but we also have the opportunity to see the countryside and actually meet these living legends.

"Between the three of us, we have a total of 45 years experience in the Canadian forces and a great respect for those who did so much to ensure our freedom."

The 202 Workshop is made up of a crew of 450 service technicians, 100 of which are military technicians.

Their mandate entails the receipt and restoration to fighting order military equipment, from radios to tanks, which come to them from places like Bosnia and Afghanistan as well as throughout Canada.

The 202 is the only maintenance workshop of its kind. Men with families, in particular, enjoy working at the 202 because it presents an opportunity for more stability in their military career as they are stationed there for a period of three to five years.

Legion President Larry Lepitre and Service Officer David Woodard were on hand throughout the day on Thursday to greet the two officers — Colonel Douglas Wingert and Regiment Sargent Major Jean-Pierre Cyr — involved with the 202 Unit Workshop who had come to inspect the work being done.

In all, three gentlemen from the 202 Unit arrived to start the tedious job of sandblasting and repainting the World War II American Sherman Tank. Following the completion of their task, they were treated to a special supper by members of the Stanstead Legion.

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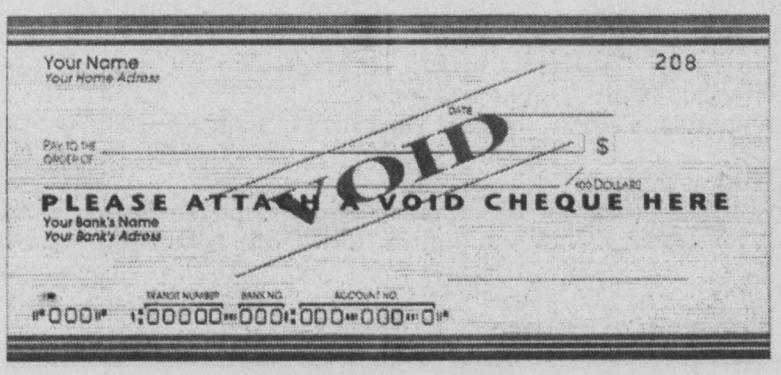

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Mayor's residence hinges on vote outcome

By Leah Fitzgerald

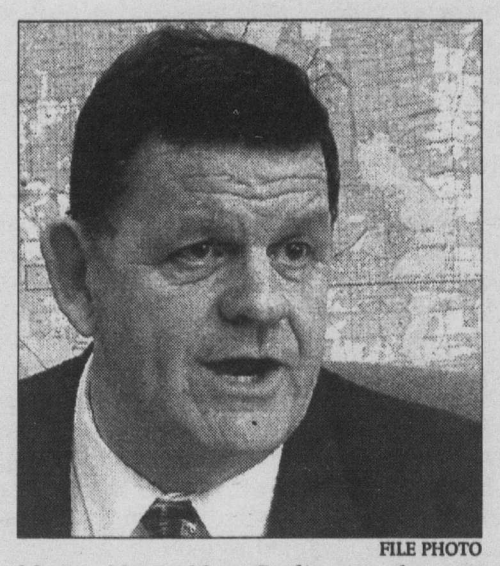
If Magog Township makes the break from Magog on Sunday, Magog Mayor Marc Poulin will have to make a move too.

Just after the merger took place in 2002, Poulin and his family moved into a new house on Southière Road in Magog Township.

"To be mayor, you have to live in the city limits," Poulin said. "Southière Road became part of the city."

Of course, if the referendum vote favours the Yes side, Magog Township won't be in Poulin's municipal boundaries.

"If it happens, the next morning, the house will be on the market and we'll move back to Magog," Poulin said. "It's an obligation."



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Magog Mayor Marc Poulin may have to move if demerger vote goes through.

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Dr. Maurice Langlois, a longtime Magog Township resident and retired CHUS physician, said he fears for the future of the Township if it remains merged with the City of Magog.

"The city does not take into account the needs of the Township," Dr. Langlois said. "The services needed are different from those of the city. To complain about a problem, you have to go through this dreadful hierarchy to get to the council."

Langlois said he worries about the architecture of the area.

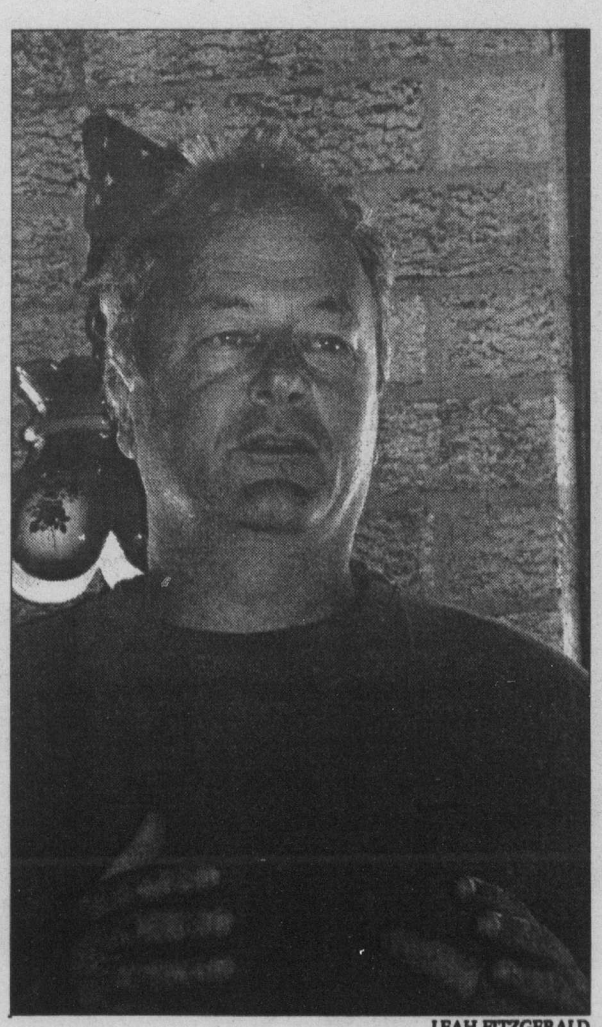
"They put in the Walt Disney front on the Metro on Principale," he said. "They're destroying our architectural heritage."

He wasn't the only one worried. Kennon Cooke, a travel writer who settled in Magog Township, said the town risks becoming a "glitzy awful place" if it continues with the City of Magog.

"They haven't done anything to improve our quality of life," Cooke said. "They increased taxes to get those people settled here with beaucoup bucks. Some families are finding they can hardly afford to live here. Children are finding they can't afford the taxes on the family property.

"It's going to become an ugly tourist town with no charm. Without that quality of life, people will leave."

The referendum polls open at the old town hall on Chemin Southière and the fire hall in Magog Township at 9 a.m. on Sunday. Voting continues until 7 p.m. The councillors of the City of Magog will be waiting for the results at city hall. The Coalition des citoyens et citoyennes pour la défusion du Canton de Magog will be waiting for results at their own campaign headquarters.



LEAH FITZGERALD

Guy Rompré has lived in Magog Township for some 40 years and he wants to see the township retain its character.

Say you read it in The Record

MIKE PINGREE'S
THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

SHE DROPPED HINT AFTER HINT: A 51-year-old woman agreed to let two young men stay the night at her Victorville, Calif., apartment after a family friend introduced to her to them. Then they refused to leave. For six weeks.

To make matters worse, they were selling crack cocaine out of her place and even out on the front lawn.

Desperate to get rid of them and too afraid to call the cops, she turned on the gas to force them out. The fumes made her sick, and the Fire Department rescued her. The men were arrested.

AT LEAST HE HAD A GOOD EXCUSE: An angry unemployed man in Tokyo made 9,000 crank calls to the police emergency number over a period of three months.

After he was arrested, he told the cops he had made most of the calls when he was drunk.

WHEW, I THINK I MADE IT, KA-BANG! A man robbed a bank in New York City and then fled the scene and ran into the nearest subway station. There were no pursuers, so perhaps he felt that he could melt into the crowd and make his final escape. Then the dye pack exploded. He made tracks once more, but this time he was easier to spot.

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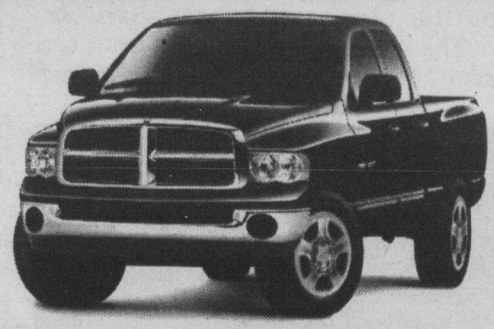

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Heneker's historic hit still a smash at Bishop's

Legacy of pioneer continues to support institutions

By: Bea Vongdouangchanh

David Heneker's 1963 Broadway musical smash hit, Half A Sixpence, is getting a modern update, thanks to Bishop's University and the Sherbrooke Geriatric University Institute Foundation.

"We've modernized it so today's audience could relate to it," said Streuan Robertson, the show's producer. The musical is set in the south of England at the turn of the 20th century. Robertson describes it as a story following Arthur Kipps – a simple soul who struggles with love and money in his pursuit of happiness.

The musical is being produced as a fundraiser for Bishop's and the Geriatric Foundation in honour of the Heneker family's close ties to Sherbrooke.

Heneker's grandfather, Richard, was a former mayor of Sherbrooke in 1878 and was very much involved with the community. He founded the Eastern Townships bank, head of the Sherbrooke Gas and Water Company, the Sherbrooke and Magog Road Company and the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company. He was also chancellor of Bishop's for 23 years.

Richard Heneker's most important contribution to the community was the Sherbrooke Hospital project where he served as the president from its founding until his retirement. He made yearly contributions to the Foundation and his son, Peter, wanted to continue to the tradition.

He collaborated with Heather Bowman, director of the Geriatric Foundation, and they decided to put on a production of Half A Sixpence, written by David, Peter's son.

The musical is based on the book Kipps by H.G. Wells. The songs are the same, the script is the same, but the costumes reflect a modernized production which includes fresh choreography from Christel Bartelse.

The production staff recorded the songs and music and put it on CD for Bartelse. She came up with the entire choreography from scratch just by listening to the CD.

Dancing and singing are all new to the actors, said Robertson, so there is a grueling practice routine which each actor has followed daily for the last six weeks.

Beginning at 10 a.m., there are warm-up stretches, situps, pushups and group dynamic games to get everyone in shape for the dancing aspect of the production, said Bartelse. "The routine has built up their stamina and strength," she added.

It's also built a camaraderie between the actors which has allowed them to bond on and off the stage. "Every night there's a gathering and they're getting to know each other outside of rehearsals," said Bartelse.

The group's dynamics are what are really making the production a success, said Robertson. "It begins with Michael Kennard's direction. He really got the group dynamics going from day one."

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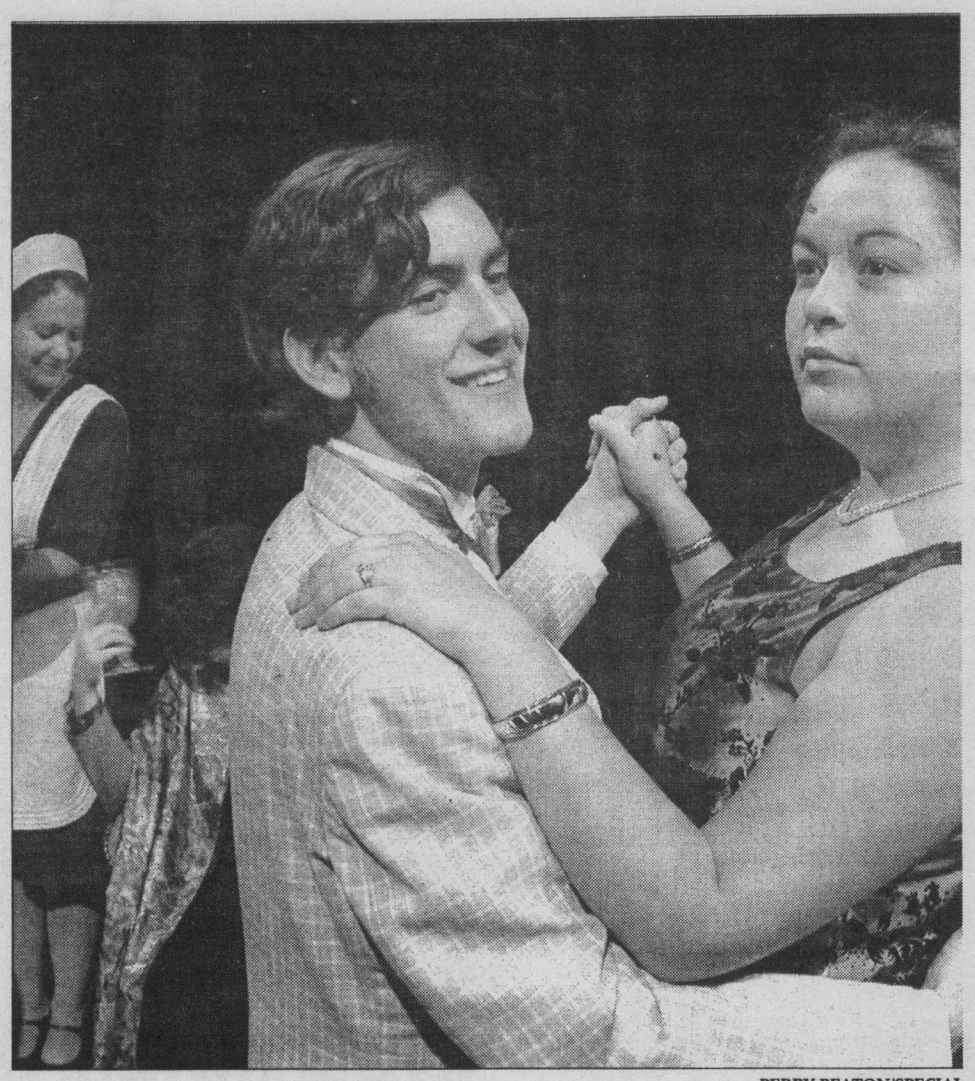
The group's dynamics and comaraderie are helping to make the production a success



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Dancing and singing are all new to the actors.

Kennard, an acclaimed Canadian actor and director, is directing the show. He has directed several large productions including the musical Wizard of Oz.

Corie-Anne Gonyer plays the female lead, Ann Pornick. The 20-year-old from Lennoxville said, "It's an honour to work with Michael. I feel like I've learned so much and have taken some huge steps."

Gonyer said the role of Ann has been very different from the characters she's played in the past. At Alexander Galt, she performed in the Sound of Music and The Importance of Being Earnest as well as other smaller productions but said she's having fun with Ann because it's a little bit different.

"I have an attitude," she said. "I'm a girl who can handle her own. And I love working with a cockney accent."

She also said she likes the comedy in the show. "When we first read it, we laughed a lot," she said. "I'm having a good time."

Matthew Bianconi, the 24-year-old actor playing Kipps, agreed that it is a fun production and enjoys playing his character. "It's really exciting," he said. "I really love this performance. It's tiring, but it's really fun."

The Lisbane, Maine native said that he and the other actors rehearse 48 hours a week. "It's a lot of time, but we're in amazing shape because we're rehearsing all the time," said Bianconi.

The two actors said it was weird that six weeks of rehearsals are already finished.

"I was nervous a couple of days ago," said Gonyer. "I thought 'oh crap, it's almost show time.' I think it will hit me again on opening night though when it all begins."

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Quebecers consume most water in Canada

By: Bea Vongdouangchanh

Quebec is the second largest fresh water consumer in the world, according to an environmental group from Montreal.

As part of its 28th annual campaign to conserve water, Réseau Environnenment has organized an information blitz across the province to let Quebecers know that on average, a typical Quebecer consumes 400 litres of water a day — that's the most in Canada and second only to the United States.

Genvièvе Marsan, a communications adviser for Réseau Environnement, said that most people double their drinking water consumption in the summer months because they use their hose to water their gardens and lawns, to fill their pools, and to wash their cars.

In an information package, the group said, "1,000 litres of water pours out from a water hose in an hour, which is the equivalent of what a person drinks over a three year period."

Marsan said the group's goal is to inform people that there are ways to save drinking water and still water their lawns. The group will send out flyers and promotional information to libraries, cafes, and other public spaces to get the word out.

For more information, visit www.reseau-environnement.com.

Tips for conserving water:

- Reduce the quantity of water used in your toilet by placing a full and closed bottle in the tank. You can also install a partition that will isolate part of the tank and retain water when flushing. These methods can help you save up to 3,800 litres of water per year.

- Instead of letting the water run until it's cool enough to drink, keep a bottle in the fridge. It will save water and taste better.

- Wait until you have a full load before doing laundry, that way you will save energy as well as water.

- Use a drip watering system to water your garden which distributes the water directly at the root of the plant or at the soil level to avoid unnecessary watering.

Tories, Liberals have no federal policy for CBC

By Kevin Griffin

The good news for the CBC is that a Canadian heritage committee report has recommended that the national broadcaster receive predictable, multi-year funding.

The bad news is that, so far, Ottawa hasn't implemented any of the report's 97 recommendations.

Still, Carole Taylor, chairperson of the CBC's board of directors, remains optimistic. Even though the Liberals haven't acted on the report, Taylor said Prime Minister Paul Martin has told her he is a "big supporter" of public broadcasting.

The report by Parliament's standing committee on Canadian heritage is called Our Cultural Sovereignty: The Second Century Of Canadian Broadcasting, an 872-page tome some MPs have dubbed the "red brick" because of its bulk. It was released last June.

Some of its recommendations include making the CBC more accountable to Parliament, maintaining restrictions on the foreign ownership of media companies and a moratorium on new broadcast licences for companies that also own newspapers – a recommendation that would affect a company such as CanWest, which owns several daily newspapers and television stations, including the National Post.

In March, Martin reaffirmed his support for the CBC and said he planned no changes to the mandate or funding of the national broadcaster in the lead-up to a federal election.

"The fact is I have always been a supporter of public broadcasting and will continue to be so," Martin said.

But besides Martin's comments indicating general support for the CBC, there is no federal Liberal policy on the future of the public broadcaster.

"Canada's New Democrats want to revitalize the CBC and ensure its future by raising the floor of the CBC operating budget and providing the support necessary to reinvigorate CBC radio, television and on-line services with a strong national presence and firm roots in all regions," the NDP says.

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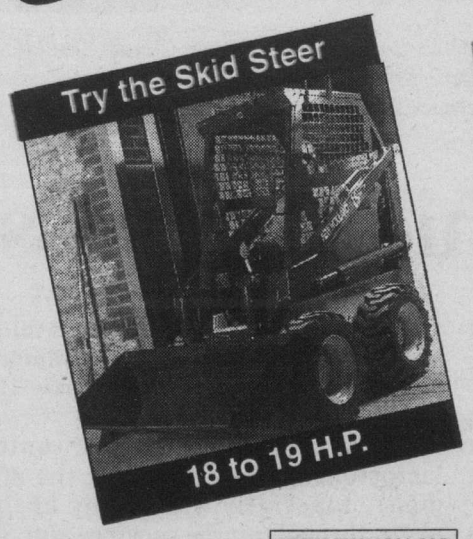

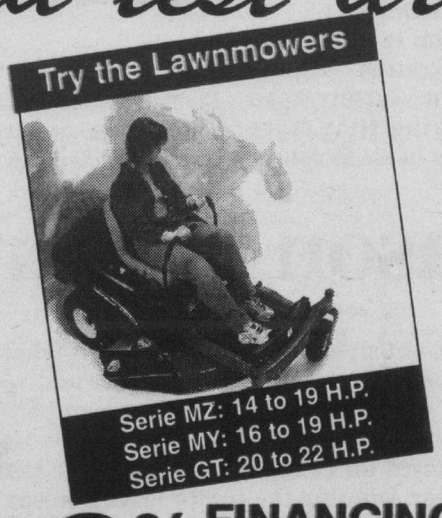

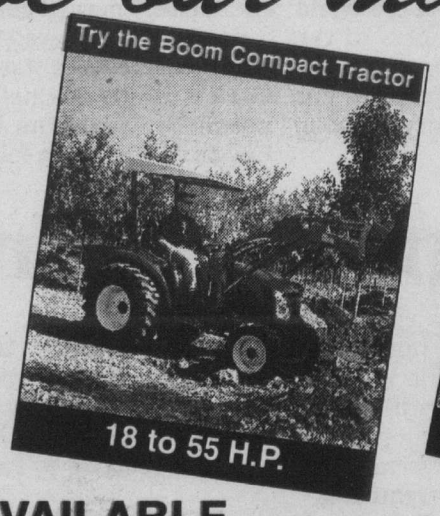

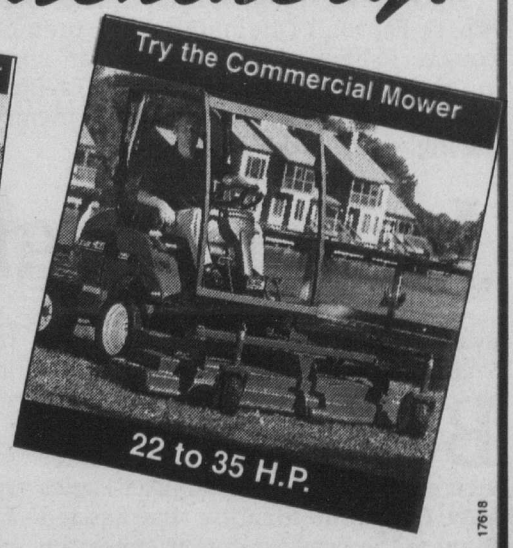

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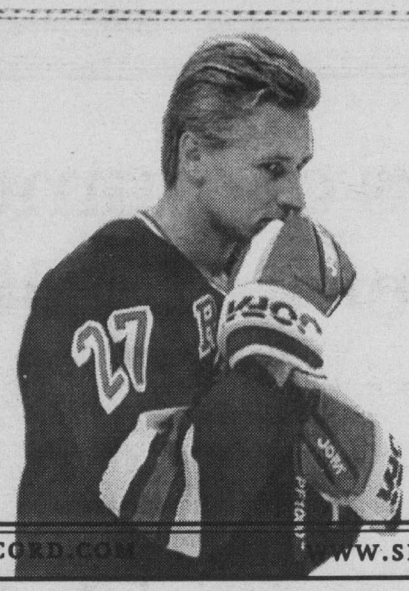

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Seven Cougars earn high marks at camp

By Mike Hickey
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

The Quebec Football Federation held a camp for its top junior players this past weekend in Montreal and not surprisingly, seven members of the Champlain College CEGEP AAA football team had impressive showings.

The camp, part of the federation's excellence program, was run by Bishop's University defensive co-ordinator Marc Loranger and was used to evaluate the province's top young players.

"There were over 170 players in attendance and we rated the players overall and according to their position," Loranger explained. "The ratings are done twice a year, in June and November, and the top 50 players receive a tax credit from the federation."

The top 30 players receive $1,000 apiece while the next 20 players are awarded $500. The stipends are given after each evaluation period so a player could receive a maximum $2,000 in a year.

The rankings are also used to determine who will play for Team Canada in the 2005 World Junior Football Championship to be held in January in Jacksonville, FLA, in conjunction with the Super Bowl. Last year, Team Canada lost to the United States in the tournament championship game after defeating the Americans in the preliminary round.

"Being ranked high at this camp is the first step toward making Team Canada," Loranger said.

Since the inception of Team Canada and the World Junior Football Championships, members of the Cougars football team have played an important role in the team's success. They were well represented this past weekend too with seven current members among the highest ranked players.

The list includes receiver Francis Claude who was ranked first overall, linebackers Guillaume Desmarais (ninth) and Gabriel Dery (16th), offensive linemen Kristof Gyorfi (10th) and Francis Daneau, defensive lineman Sébastien Tetreault (22nd) and quarterback Charles Croisetière (23rd).

Tetreault is a Granby native while Cookshire's Croisetière attended Séminaire de Sherbrooke before entering Champlain last fall.

Croisetière is a young man that continues to impress football people with his poise, dedication and leadership.

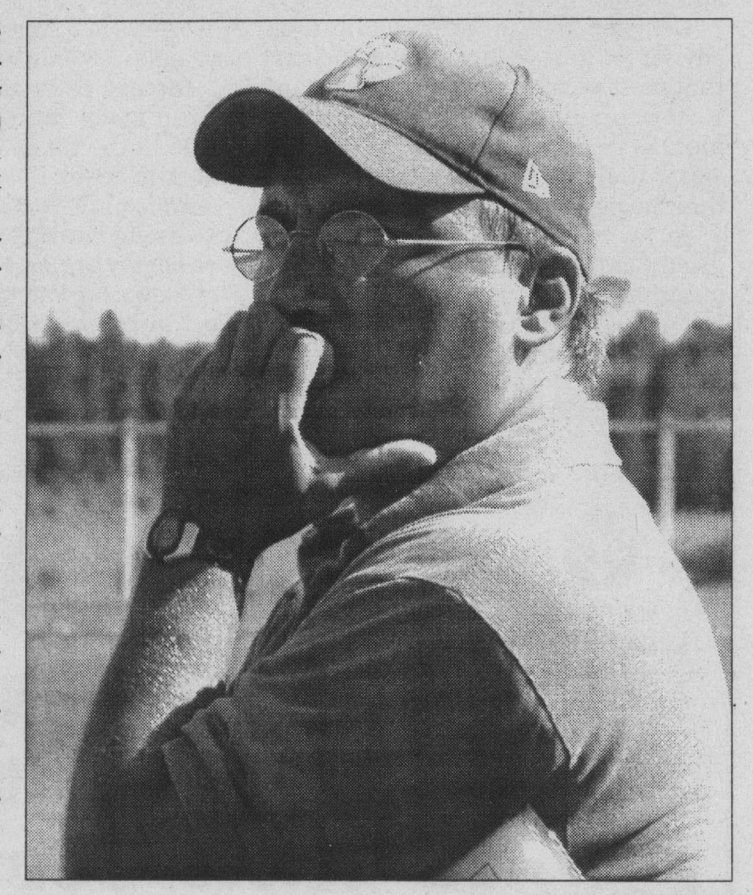
"Charles has worked very hard to improve himself in practice and in the weight room," Loranger observed. "This year he will have an opportunity as the starting quarterback not only to improve in practice but in game situations as well. That is the true test."

Dan McCullough, who started as a freshman for the Bishop's Gaiters' defensive unit this past season, is a former Cougar who benefited greatly form his experience with Team Canada.

"The first thing is that it is great to represent your country, it is amazing," McCullough said. "That year I was coming off an injury, I only played four games and was entering university not knowing if I would be able to play.

"Playing with Team Canada gave me the confidence I needed going into Bishop's."

McCullough played well for Team Canada and then earned a starting position with the Gaiters in his rookie season. Gaiters head coach Tony Addona is hoping that more Cougars will soon be following in his footsteps.



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A few of Sébastien Brière's star players — Francis Claude, Guillaume Desmarais, Gabriel Dery, Kristof Gyorfi, Francis Daneau, Sébastien Tetreault and quarterback Charles Croisetière — were impressive at last weekend's camp.

Junior programs big reason for senior success

By Arash Madani
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

Building a championship team takes a great deal of work from the ground up. The Quebec senior men's lacrosse league's Windsor Eagles have found the formula that has led them to the René Cournoyer crown the past two seasons.

While veterans have paved the way to success, a collection of young grinders have pounded away to earn a spot on the Eagles team this season. It all began a year ago.

This season, Damien Roy's Eagles have no less than five new faces — all emerging from the pair of Townships junior lacrosse teams. The young club in Windsor, coached by Marc Richard — still scoring his way to success for the senior team, as well as the Sherbrooke Extreme feeder program coached by Paul Lehmann.

"We're the only area developing juniors and it's the only way you can develop a serious senior team," says Roy, who also is the head coach of the Bishop's Gaiters — and uses his summer bench boss duties to groom his varsity players who remain in the region to be ready for the fall and spring university seasons.

"You need these feeders because you can't develop without playing before. You need to practice and be game ready at a competitive level and that is what the junior level can provide," he said.

Each of the new faces has seen playing time for Windsor. Chris Fowlis played for Lehmann in Sherbrooke last year, winning the junior league crown. Anik Kendall, François Larochelle, Mathieu Corriveau and Jonathan Masse were all with the junior Windsor Eagles in the summer of 2003, and experienced the heartbreak of dropping the championship game to the Extreme.

Now they want to be part of something successful. And they'll get their chance, for the long term.

"In a few years it won't even be funny to see how dominating we will be, it's the way to go," added Roy. "I don't think we'll get any (players from the juniors) next year, but two years from now, it's an onslaught."

The frailty of the Quebec junior lacrosse league is evident at the moment, especially with many of the teams throughout the province with senior teams — Shawinigan, LaSalle and St-Eustache — missing the link that connects the developmental, grass roots programs to the elite level of the sport.

"The sport is all about developing players and making them better," says Richard, who has taken charge of the Eagles' junior team.

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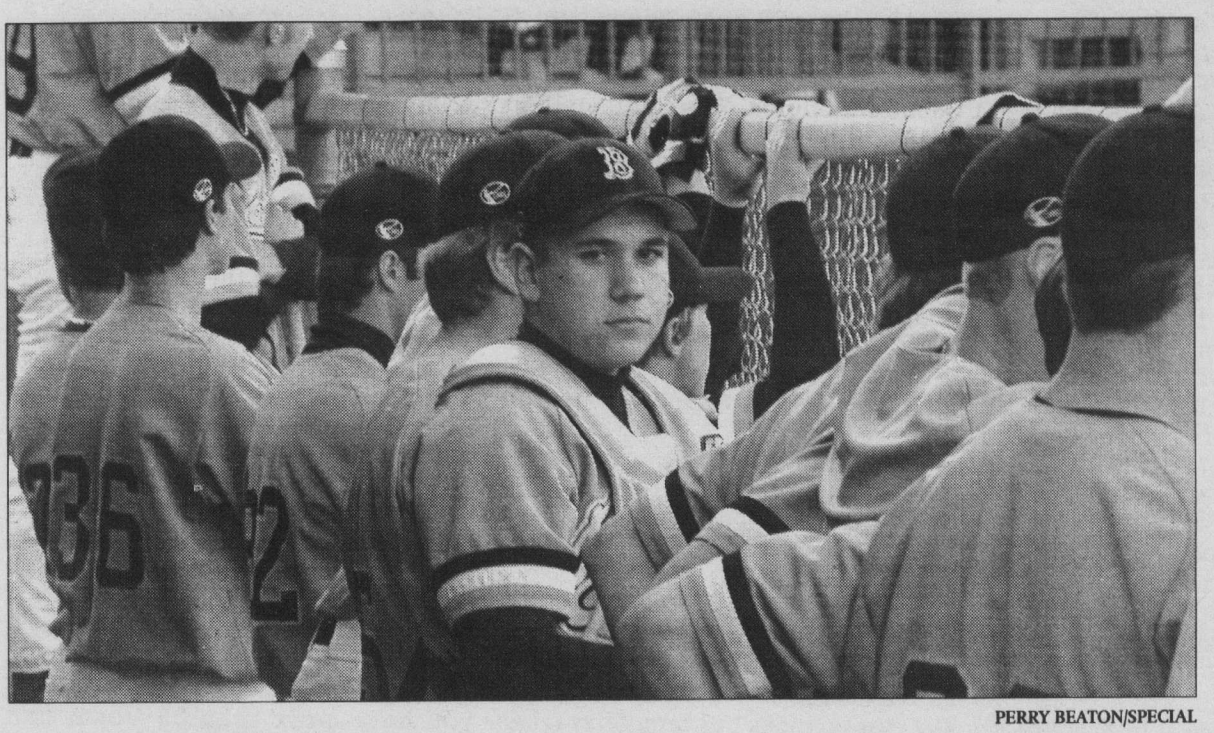
JUNIOR ELITE BASEBALL

Sherbrooke Bombardiers lose third in a row



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

The Bombardiers' next home game is Sunday against Saguenay.

By Mike Hickey
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

The Sherbrooke Bombardiers fell back into some old habits Tuesday night as they fell 5-0 to the Trois-Rivières Aigles at Amédée-Roy Stadium.

It was a third straight loss for a Sherbrooke club that is playing better than its 4-12 record would indicate, but is still having trouble doing the little things needed to win.

The Bombardiers have one the youngest rosters in the Quebec Junior Elite Baseball League and their inexperience and youth has cost them some games this season.

It looked as if they had turned the corner last week with three consecutive wins, but their inability to make plays at key times Tuesday night cost them the game.

It was Steve Winterbottom, coming off an excellent performance last Saturday night, who faltered for one inning and paid dearly for it.

Winterbottom held Trois-Rivières scoreless for the first two innings but came undone in the third. Sherbrooke held a 1-0 lead going into the third but the visitors scored five runs to take a lead they would not relinquish.

A key play in that frame was Winterbottom's inability to catch a line drive hit back through the box with the bases loaded and the score tied 1-1.

If he catches the ball cleanly, he starts a double play that ends the inning but the ball bounced off him for a base hit. The starter gave up six runs, five of them earned, before being relieved by Martin Charland with one out in the fourth.

Charland worked the final two innings and allowed three runs.The Bombardiers scored their first run in the second inning when Philippe Lachapelle's double drove home Simon-Pierre Bernier with the game's first run.The team's second run came in the fourth when Jean-Patrick Maillot's RBI single delivered J-F Bélisle from second base.

Sherbrooke struck for three more in their half of the fifth on consecutive singles by Charland, Eric Prah and Mailhot, followed by a two-run double by Mathieu Allard.

The Bombardiers are back in action tonight when they travel to Quebec City to play the Charlesbourg Alouettes.

The Sherbrooke organization received good news this week when the league announced that Kevin Frappier was named to the under-18 all-star game that will be played later this month.

JUNIOR LACROSSE

JUNIORS:

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"Even with the seniors, it's so good to see the young guys who have just come up be able to play at such a high level."

Lehmann played a top brand of junior lacrosse in his native British Columbia before coming to Quebec. He sees potential in the Townships.

"One day it would be amazing to see kids walking around Lennoxville and Sherbrooke in the summers with a lacrosse stick in their hand," he says.

"It's all about developing and building players, and we're doing that. We're also teaching them to win."

SPORTS NOTEBOOK

Upstart Greeks earn draw with Spain

Angelos Charisteas scored a second-half equalizer as upstart Greece followed up its stunning Euro 2004 victory over Portugal with a 1-1 tie with Spain on Wednesday. Fernando Morientes, on loan to Champions League runner-up AS Monaco last season because he couldn't get a start on Real Madrid's star-studded lineup, gave Spain a 28th-minute lead but the Spaniards were unable to improve on that score.

Picking up on a powerful free-kick cross from the right which Spanish defender Ivan Helguera failed to head away in the 66th minute, Charisteas chested the ball down and fired under the body of goalkeeper Iker Casillas for the Greek team, which had upset host Portugal 2-1 in the opening game of the championship. The result left both sides with four points atop of Group A.

Kovalev to test free agent market

It's unlikely Alex Kovalev will return to the Montreal Canadiens next season.

RDS reported Tuesday that the veteran winger has elected to test the market July 1 as an unrestricted free agent. Canadiens general manager Bob Gainey said he has had several conversations with Kovalev's agent and at least one with the player.

After being acquired prior to the trading deadline, Kovalev began his tenure with the Canadiens on March 5 on the wrong foot, injuring his shoulder after playing only one period of hockey in Phoenix.

Nestor, Niemeyer paired off for Athens

Tennis Canada has announced that Toronto's Daniel Nestor and Frederic Niemeyer of Deauville will represent Canada in main draw doubles competition at the upcoming Olympic Games in Athens, Greece.

Nestor, one of the top doubles players in the world is currently #9 on the ATP World ranking and #1 in Canada. He and regular partner Mark Knowles of Bahamas are 2nd atop the ATP Champions Race. The 32-year old, holds 34 career doubles titles including one Grand Slam (Australian Open, 2002) and two this year in Marseille and Barcelona.

Niemeyer currently ranks second in doubles and singles in Canada. He reached a career high of #134 on the ATP Doubles Race earlier this year. The 28-year old has 6 career ATP Challenger titles in Doubles and five at the Futures level.

On TV

THURSDAY

- **GOLF: 10 a.m., 3 p.m. & 5 p.m.;** PGA U.S. Open Championship, first round, TSN, NBC.
- **SOCCER: Noon;** UEFA EURO 2004, England vs. Switzerland, RDS. **2:30 p.m.;** France vs. Croatia, RDS.
- **BASEBALL: 3:30 p.m.;** MLB regular season, Toronto Blue Jays at San Francisco Giants, Sportsnet.
- **FOOTBALL: 9 p.m.;** CFL regular season, Ottawa Renegades at Winnipeg Blue Bombers, TSN.

Around Town

To submit your sporting event, fax it to (819) 569-3945, email newsroom@sherbrookerecord.com or contact Mike Hickey at (819) 569-6345.

UPCOMING

- **JUNIOR ELITE BASEBALL: Sunday,** Saguenay at Sherbrooke Bombardiers (doubleheader), Amédée-Roy Stadium, Sherbrooke, beginning at 2 p.m.

WATERVILLE-HATLEY-NORTH HATLEY

Waterville-Hatley-North Hatley United Church Pastoral Charge: Worship Services on June 20: Waterville 9:30 a.m., Hatley 11 a.m., Minton 2 p.m.

LENNOXVILLE

Lennoxville United Church, corner of Queen and Church Street: Sacrament of Baptism on June 20 at 10 a.m. Rev. James Potter, (819) 565-8449.

RICHMOND

St. Anne's Anglican Church of Richmond presents The Montreal Welsh Male Choir, musical director Colleen Walsh, B.Mus., accompanist William Paul, on Saturday, June 19, 7 p.m., 171 Principal St., Richmond. Admission charged. For reservations, please call Jeannine Lancaster at (819) 826-3495. Tickets also on sale at Tri-Us in Lennoxville, please call (819) 822-2632.

RICHMOND

Advanced notice. St. Anne's Anglican Church, Richmond is hosting a Benefit Concert for the "La Fondation Sabrina Espoir de Vie Fondation" in aid of Sabrina Lefebvre Patrick on Thursday, July 29 at 7:30 p.m. Would you share your talent? Contact Ann Clark (819) 826-5089.

RICHMOND

A Father's Day Brunch is being held on Sunday, June 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #15, in Richmond. Everyone is welcome.

SAWYERVILLE-LAWRENCE

Sunday, June 20: Holy Eucharist Service at St. Philip's Church, Sawyerville at 9:15 a.m. and Fraser's Family Reunion Service at St. Peter's Church, Cookshire at 11 a.m. Celebrant and guest speaker: the Rev. Sister Mary Florence Liew. Also at Christ Church, Canterbury service at 2 p.m. and at St. Lawrence Church, Lawrence at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

BROOKBURY

Rummage Sale at the Brookbury Community Centre on June 19 and 20 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Proceeds go to the Hall. Everyone welcome.

LENNOXVILLE

Everyone is invited to the Lennoxville-Ascot Historical and Museum Society meeting at 5:30 p.m. on June 21 at Uplands, 9 Speid St., Lennoxville. Pot-luck supper followed by Let's Talk Music, a presentation by members of the Society.

RICHMOND

Red Cross Guide to Babysitting Course in English is being offer by the Lennoxville & District Women's Centre and St. Anne's Anglican Church, Richmond. The course if for young teens (11-14 years) and will be taught by Pierre Allard, a certified Red Cross instructor. It will be held at St. Anne's Anglican Church, 117 Main South, Richmond on Friday, June 25 from 9-4. Admission charged. Places are limited so please call to register in advance at (819) 564-6626.

MAGOG

A fundraiser for the Lake Massawippi Water Protection Association, a film by Jake Eberts (Dances with Wolves, Gandhi, Grey Owl), the premiere of "Two Brothers" will be shown this Thursday, June 17 at the Magog Cinema, 12 Main St., at 7 p.m. A donation would be appreciated. To reserve, call (819) 822-6495.

IVES HILL

Advance notice. Card parties at Ives Hill Community Hall on Friday, July 16 and Friday, July 30 at 2 p.m. Sponsored by Milby Women's Institute.

RICHMOND

The annual meeting of the Richmond-Melbourne-Danville Wales Home Auxiliary will take place at the Home on Tuesday, June 22 at 10:30 a.m. Lunch served.

LACOLLE

Odelltown Church, Route 221 South of Lacolle, will host: MGV Men's Choir, 8 p.m., June 20; area church service 11 a.m. on June 27. All welcome.

MAGOG

Mechoui Fundraiser for Townshippers' Day, June 26, 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., Magog Arena, Principale East, Magog. Pork and beef roast, salads, desserts. Admission charged. Tickets going fast! Townshippers' Association, (819) 566-5717 (toll free 1-866-566-5717).

IVES HILL

Advance notice. Card party at Ives Hill Community Hall on June 25 at 2 p.m. Sponsored by Ives Hill Community Club. Prizes and lunch.

RICHMOND

The St. Patrick's Society of Richmond is planning a bus trip to Grosse Isle on Sunday, August 1. Limit of 50 tickets. The cost includes bus fare, ferry crossing and entrance to the island. Other incidentals would be at the participant's cost. We suggest a box-lunch for the island visit as there are picnic tables. We plan to stop for a short visit in Quebec City and a restaurant meal on the return trip home (meal would be at participant's cost). Reservation deadline: July 15. Departure time in Richmond: 7 a.m. Return: 9 p.m. For reservations, call Mark at (819) 826-2535 or Bob (819) 826-2434.

MANSONVILLE

Holy Transfiguration Monastery, 83 du Monastere (off Airport Road), Mansonville will be having a Bazaar on Saturday, June 19 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Rain or shine. Try Russian food, visit our boutique. Everyone welcome.

MINTON

North Hatley United Church will be holding their Sunday Worship Service at Minton on June 20, 2004 at 2 p.m. Minister: Rev. Lynda Harrison. Everyone welcome.

RICHMOND

Join the Lennoxville & District Women's Centre for a tour of the "Parc Marie Victorin" Gardens and a visit to "La Maison d'Helene" Art Gallery on Tuesday, June 22 at 10 a.m. We will car pool from the Richmond area. Bring your lunch and enjoy a picnic in the gardens. Admission charged. Call the Centre to register at (819) 564-6626.

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This column accepts items announcing events organized by churches, service clubs and recognized charitable institutions for a $6.00 fee, $9.00 for 2 insertions of same notice, $12.00 for 3 publications. Maximum 35 words. If you have more than 35 words the charge will be $10.00 per insertion. Requests should be mailed, well in advance, to The Record, P.O. Box 1200, Sherbrooke, Quebec, J1H 5L6, be signed and include a telephone number and payment. Telephone requests will not be accepted. Admission charges and trade names will be deleted. No dances.

Fordyce Branch Women's Institute meeting

June 2, 2004 saw the members of Fordyce Branch W.I. meet in Emmanuel United Church Hall, Cowansville, at 1 p.m., for their regular monthly meeting.

President Jean Scott welcomed all and was pleased that June Lamey was up to attending the meeting following her recent surgery. Jean read a few saying which brought forth a laugh from everybody. "Hope that you enjoyed May. It is God's apology for February." "Keep smiling. It makes everybody wonder what you have been up to."

The Mary Stewart Collect, Salute to the Flag and Motto "To silence gossip, breath through you mouth" was repeated by all and we were glad to see Irene Williams back at the piano for "O Canada and "Happy Birthday" sung to June Lamey 1st, June Royes 8th and Marion Harvey 12th. Jean then thanked the hostesses for the meeting - Hilda McEwing, Margaret Raymond, Jean Scott, Rose Monteith and Wilm Goodhue and Verna Patterson for redoing the birthday charts to bring them up to date.

Donna Luce, Secretary, called members' names for the Roll Call "Name a natural remedy you use," which brought forth many good suggestions. Donna then read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were accepted as read.

Gert Barrand, Treasurer, read her financial statement. The prizes for Grade 3, heroes' Memorial Elementary School for French and Grade 4 at St. Leon's for English were discussed. They will be presented this month by Kay Paquette, Health and Community Living Convener, Norma Sherrer presented her criteria for receiving a Bursary from Fordyce to anyone going on to higher education - CEGEP, Technical School, University, etc., and living in Brome Missisquoi County. Norma will take inquiries for information.

Cards of thanks were received from Mary Rowse, Mary Harvey and Evelyn Lewis.

A discussion took place re the July meeting, when the members of Dunham and Stanbridge East Branches have been invited to join us at the Municipal Beach, Cowansville for a picnic. There will be no business at this time just conversation and fun. The Social Convenor, Gladys Dustin will plan the lunch and the Phoning Committee will inform members at what should be brought. The August Outing meeting was also discussed and, although there were a number of suggestions, the most popular one was to return to the beach and enjoy Kentucky Fried Chicken for lunch.

Under New Business, it was announced that a Memorial Service would be held at St. Rose de Lima Church, Cowansville for Charter Member Noella Smith and it was hoped that the members would attend.

Norma Sherrer gave a very detailed report of the Annual Convention at Macdonald College, May 2004, from the one received from Judy Jones, who represented the County. A note of thanks will be sent to Judy.

Many articles have been collected, which will be put together for a raffle, to be held for the Memorial Fund, which provides money for the school prizes and Bursary, to be drawn at the December meeting.

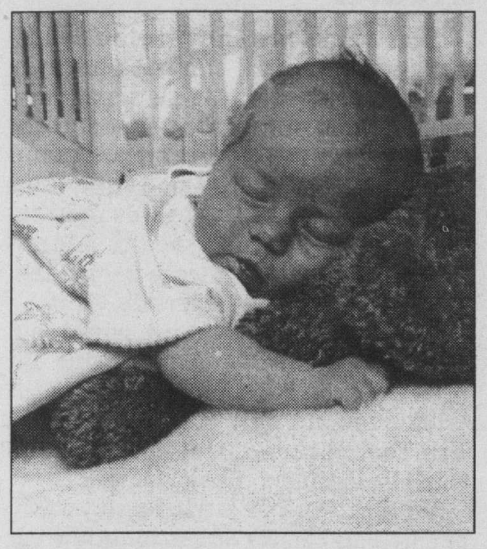
Kay Paquette, Convener - Health and Community Living read an article on Migraine Headaches, and played a game "Parts of the Body" It is surprising how little one knows of one's body when asked to recall parts of it. It was lots of fun, and I am sorry to say that I don't remember the name of the winner, who received a prize and deserves to be mentioned and congratulated.

The meeting opened and closed with laughter as Kay (Be Happy now, don't put it off) and Evelyn told their stories." A friend was surprised and delighted that his friend, after so many years of marriage, still called his wife "Honey, Dear, Sweetheart" each time he spoke to her. When questioned, the friend said "Well to tell you the truth, I haven't be able to remember her name for the last ten years."

Following Grace, the members enjoyed tea, coffee, cookies and conversation. it was a delightful surprise to discover how tasty diabetic cookies could be.

Evelyn Beban Lewis

Birth



GREYSTOCK - Our princess has arrived! Aaron, Rachel and Tyler Greystock are thrilled to announce the birth of Ella Rose born April 22, 2004 weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz. at Markham Stouffville Hospital. Proud grandparents are Jane & Dayle Greystock and Bruce & Cindy Ward, all of Campbellford. Great-grandparents celebrating the arrival are Clair Lochhead and Evelyn Forgrave, both of Campbellford, Margaret Greystock, Warsaw and Wilma Ward, Bury, Quebec. She has also been spoiled by her aunts and uncles!

In Memoriams

FORGRAVE - In loving memory of our uncle, Gordon Forgrave, June 17, 1993. Sadly missed along life's way.

ANNE & RAY WARD

LEITH, Edward - In loving memory of our dear husband, father, son, sister and brother-in-law who passed away June 17, 2003.

Nothing can ever take away
The love a heart holds dear,
Fond memories linger every day,
Remembrance keeps him near.
Forever loved and sadly missed.

MARG (wife)
ANGELA, JASON, ERICA
AND FAMILIES
(children)
EVA (mother)
ELIZABETH & GARY
(sister & brother-in-law)

SMITH, Muriel - In loving memory of my dear mother, Muriel Bridges Smith, who passed away June 17, 1984.

Although 20 years have passed,
Memories always remain.

Ever remembered by your son
FREDERICK & BERNICE

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Deaths

CAMIRE, Mr. Gilles - Beloved husband of the late Thérèse Desrochers. Visitation will be held at the funeral parlor on Sunday, June 20, 2004 from 2-5 p.m., and from 7-10 p.m., and on Monday, June 21, 2004 from 9 a.m. The funeral service will be held on Monday, June 21, 2004 at 11 a.m., at the Ste-Bibiane's Church in Richmond. Pauline Fecteau, Dir., Centre Funeraire Yves Houle & Frère, 198 Adams, Richmond.

DAVIS, Gladys - Born in Barnston, Que., on the 28th of February, 1919, passed away peacefully at the CHUS Fleurimont Hospital on June 15, 2004 at the age of 85 years. Gladys Maxfield, wife of the late Tracy Wilson and the late James Davis, leaves to mourn her children: Evelyn (the late Wilfred Keeble), Shirley (Mervin Young), Elizabeth (Bill Bailey), Leonard (Isabelle Crawford), Carolyn (Alcide Lavallee), Norman (Lin Poirier) and Laura (Donald McCulloch) and was predeceased by Joyce. Also leaves to mourn her brother Gordon Maxfield (the late Winnie Cross), her many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and friends. Resting at the Cass Funeral Homes Inc., 6 Belvidere St., Lennoxville, Que., where family and friends may visit Thursday, June 17, 2004 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. and on **Friday June 18th, 2004 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., followed by the funeral service at 10:30 a.m.** Interment in the Greenlay cemetery. Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Osteoporosis Foundation would be greatly appreciated.

Death

HOEKSTRA, Joan Elaine Macey, 1941-2004 - Suddenly at the B rome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital in Cowansville, on Tuesday, June 15, 2004, at the age 63, passed away Joan Elaine Macey, beloved wife of Linze Hoekstra, and in 3 days it would have been their 44th anniversary. She leaves to mourn her children Theresa (Chris) and Bruce (Harrella), her grandchildren Justin, Matthew, Eric and Jessica, her brother and 2 sisters, her nephews and nieces, cousins, also many other relatives and dear friends. Family and friends will be welcome at the Desourdy Wilson Funeral Home, 104 Buzzell St., Cowansville, Que., J2K 2N5. Tel.: (450) 263-1212, fax: (450) 263-9557, info@desourdywilson.com Dignity Memorial on Friday, June 18th, 2004, from noon to 2 p.m., followed by the service in the chapel in Cowansville. Interment will be held at later time. The Rev. Tim Smart officiating. The family wishes to thank the doctors and the staff from the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital for the special attention and good care given to Mrs. Hoekstra. Donations in her memory to the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital Foundation, 950 Principale, Cowansville, Que., J2K 1K3 would be appreciated by the family. (Forms available at the funeral home.)

In Memoriam

SMYTH - In loving memory of Chester Arthur, May 13, 1915 - June 17, 2003.

A year since God called you,
Gone, but not forgotten.
Memory lane is a lovely place
We still see your face now free of pain.

Loving wife
MARY
CHILDREN,
GRANDCHILDREN and
GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN

Cemetery Meeting

DUNKIN

The annual meeting of Ruiter's Settlement Cemetery Association will be held in the Mansonville United Church Hall on Friday, June 25, 2004 at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Kathleen Barnett,
Secretary.

Death

ROYEA, Mrs. Elsie nee Page, 1924-2004 - Passed away peacefully at the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital on Wednesday, June 16th, 2004, in her 81st year, Elsie Page, loving wife of the late Gerald "Jake" Royea. Left to mourn are her children: Margaret, Douglas, Michel, Allen and their families, numerous other relatives, the Rebekah's and her dear friends. Resting at the Désourdy Wilson Funeral Home, 318 Knowlton Rd., Knowlton, Que., tel.: (450) 263-1212, fax: (450) 263-9557, e-mail: info@desourdy-wilson.com Dignity Memorial where family and friends may visit on Thursday, June 17th, 2004, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., and on Friday, June 18th from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m., followed by funeral services at 2 p.m., from St-Paul's Anglican Church in Knowlton, Que., Rev. Wilmur Davidson officiating. Please note: Donations in her memory to the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Foundation, 950 Principale, Cowansville, Que., J2K 1K3 would be appreciated. (Forms available at the funeral home.)

Interment Notice

GREEN, Arthur - Interment of ashes for Arthur will be held on Friday, June 18, 2004 at 2 p.m. at the Elmwood Cemetery. Relatives and friends welcome.

GUTHRIE, Gordon - Interment of the ashes for Gordon Guthrie, who passed away May 14, 2004, will take place at Pigeon Hill Community Cemetery on June 20 at 2 p.m.

Cemetery Meeting

MASSAWIPPI

The Massawippi Cemetery Association general annual meeting, Saturday, June 26, 2004 at 2 p.m. at Massawippi Community Hall on Route 208 (across from Church).

Please try to keep an eye on those kids

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: When I was growing up, my stepfather tried to molest me. At the age of 11, I had the chance to go away to boarding school, and I jumped at the opportunity to leave home. After all these years, I never told my mother about the molestation, because I do not believe she has ever been emotionally able to handle it.

My stepbrother, "Andy," died by suicide several years ago, and now some facts have come to light that make me believe my stepfather, Andy's natural father, may also have molested him. I do not know if he touched my stepsister, "Angie," but she now has two young sons that this monster has access to.

Angie counts on my mother to help baby-sit her kids. I am terrified that these children are being violated or soon will be. Even now, on those rare occasions when I see my stepfather, he constantly makes passes at me. I'm concerned that if I disclose the molestation at this point, my family will think I'm a liar and hate me. After all, he is Angie's father and my mother's husband.

I don't know what to do. Angie is expecting a little girl in a few months, and I fear for the baby's safety. Please help me before it is too late. — Modesto, Calif.

Dear Modesto: You must take the risk of being considered a liar in order to protect these children. Talk to Angie and explain your fears. Ask if she has noticed anything unusual about the children's reaction to Grandpa. She needs to be alert to any signs that her children are being molested. The children should be told not to let anyone touch them in areas their swimsuits cover, nor should they be asked to touch any adult in the same area. If anyone tries, they should let her know immediately.

Regardless of Angie's reaction to your information, please try to keep an eye on those kids. They need someone to watch out for them.

Dear Annie: "Suffering in Marianna, Fla.," wrote that she is a breast-cancer survivor and that because of it, she can not use soy products.

My wife is also a breast-cancer survivor, and we have never heard before that soy is a forbidden product. Can you please check with your medical advisers whether soy is indeed off-limits for breast-cancer survivors and why? I suspect there are many women in your readership who would like to know. — Needham, Mass.

Dear Needham: Actually, soy consumption for breast-cancer survivors is still being researched. While there is some evidence that soy products can help reduce the risk of breast cancer in healthy women, many doctors do not recommend soy products for women with a family history of breast cancer, those with estrogen receptor-positive breast cancers, or those taking the drug tamoxifen.

The reason is that many soy foods are rich in phytoestrogens, which are natural chemicals that act like estrogen. Some researchers believe that phytoestrogens may stimulate cell growth and could lead to a higher risk of breast-cancer recurrence. Until more research is done, it is best to be cautious.

Dear Annie: I recently received an invitation to a bridal shower, and it included a request for the guests to bring stamps. It wasn't until I arrived at the shower that I discovered the stamps were for the thank-you notes the bride would be sending out. Not only that, but the guests also were asked to address their own envelopes. Please tell me that this is not a trend. — Riverside, Calif.

Dear Riverside: Wish we could, but unfortunately, we've heard of this one before. It's terribly tacky and makes the bride seem not only lazy, but cheap as well. The good news is, at least you know you'll be getting a thank-you note.

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

Lennoxville and District Community Aid

The members of the Board of Directors of Lennoxville and District Community Aid invited the volunteers to the annual "Spring Fling" on June 9th held at the Amedee Beaudoin Community Center. Volunteers from Lennoxville, Waterville and North Hatley joined in the festivities in grand number and enjoyed their time together. A special thank you was given to some of the previous board members, Madeleine Bradshaw, Cathy Osborne, Douglas MacDonald, David McCormick and Helga Price in appreciation for their time and efforts over the years.

Each year a special award is given to one or two volunteers who have been outstanding in their work for the Community Aid. This year the "Joan McLeod Award" was given to Glenna Smith of Waterville and Ada Hicks of Lennoxville, both ladies have given their time and dedication for over thirteen years of volunteering. Mrs. Smith has helped with the blood pressure clinic, committee for the meals on wheels program as well as helped in the kitchen. Mrs. Hicks, among other services, has been a faithful escort transport driver and took the time to follow up after, always ready to help out. We appreciate their work and dedication.

Janice Howe Duclos

Gladys Bruun (pres.), Ada Hicks, Doris Fidler, Sylvie Gilbert Fawlis.

All decked out

On Friendship Day 2004, our famous Sherbrooke Snowshoe Club writer, Mr. Cec. Blenkhorn was seen dressed in his traditional snowshoe outfit (plus fake nose and glasses!). He was looking for snow and handing out candy from the bag he was carrying (or did he hear a weather forecast that the rest of us missed?).

PHOTO BY GLADYS MACKEY BEATTIE

Birthday wishes

Happy 43rd birthday
to Heather Anthony of Danville
on June 17th

Best wishes from Dad

Happy 70th Birthday Dad on June 18, 2004

Love your children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and all of your friends

Sawyerville

Jeanne Lowry

Justin and Jeanne Lowry attended the funeral of Morris Smith in Bulwer. We also attended the concert with Dave McBurney and Terry Howell at Gould on Sunday afternoon.

Sonya Neilson of Sand Hill was a visitor of Mrs. Evelyn Macy. Mrs. Verlie Morrison was a visitor and brought an apple pie so we had apple pie and cheese for Sonya's birthday which is on the 25th. Rev. and Mrs. Walter Stairs of Knowlton and Mrs. Stairs aunt Margaret Bloomfield of Bolton Center were dinner guests of Mrs. Evelyn Macy. They brought lunch as it was Margaret's birthday. Ronnie Marcout of Mansonville was a dinner guest on Sunday of Mrs. Evelyn Macy. He had been to Brazil for 8 months for a holiday. he brought some pictures for me to see. He said it's very hot there but very nice.

Mrs. Louise Luce of Knowlton and fiance were callers on Saturday of Mrs. Macy.

Jeanne Lowry attended the wedding of Jody Robinson and Jonathan Gerard in Sawyerville United Church and Justin and Jeanne attended the reception at Salle de Loisier in Cookshire. They also attended church in Scotstown on Sunday night and the party for Heather and Nick Turchon at the Bulwer Community Center.

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 H

"LC INLPVG PNL JNBPT YGVI NHBNFGV NLI LCB XLCJ BTNB JV NDD HTCODI TNRV AVVL FL NLCBTVG AOHFLVHH."

— WFXTNFD ANGEHTLFXCR

PREVIOUS SOLUTION — "We're a great heart people." — Pearl Bailey
"The happy ending is our national belief." — Mary McCarthy

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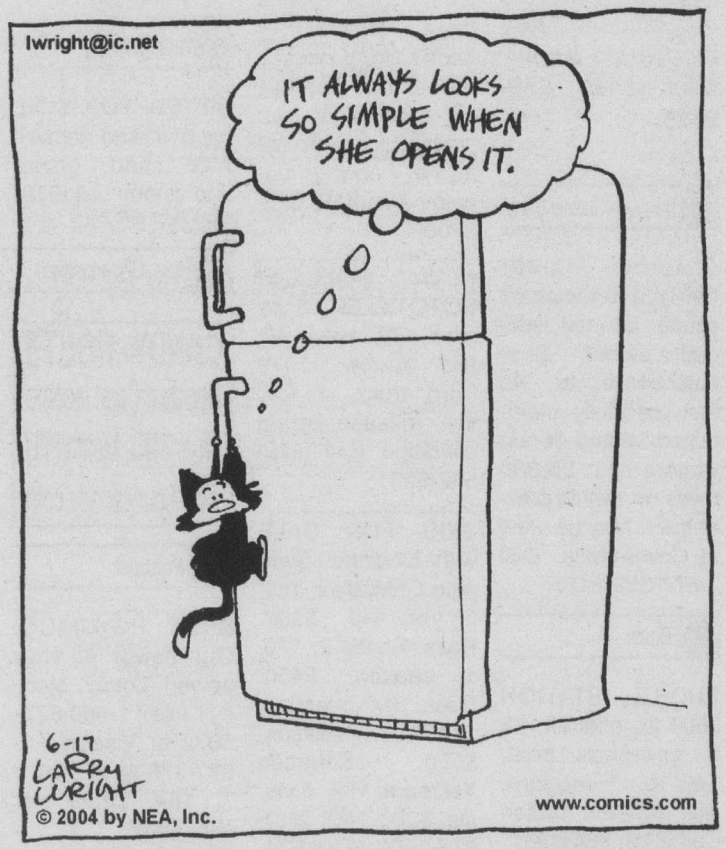

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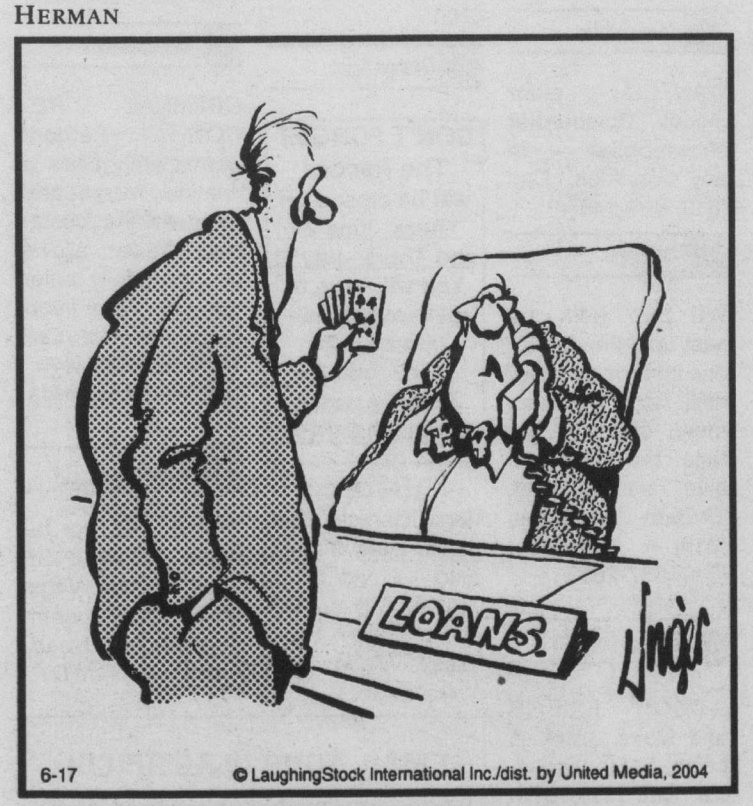

"He wants another 50 bucks ... full house, jacks and nines."

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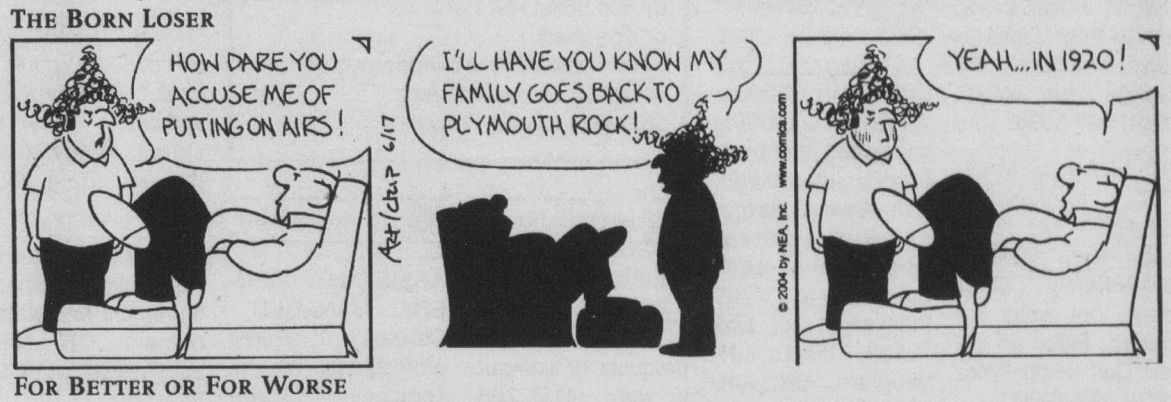

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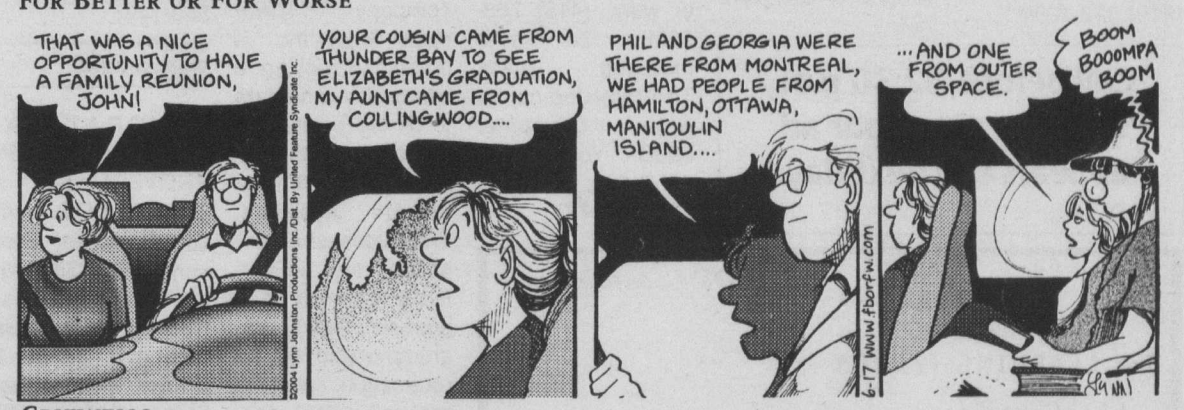

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Thursday, June 17, 2004

North 06-17-04
♠ Q J 10 7 4
♥ Q 10 7
♦ J 8 7
♣ A J

West
♠ K 9 6 3 2
♥ 9 8
♦ 4
♣ K 9 8 5 4

East
♠ A 8 5
♥ A 6 4
♦ Q 9 6 5
♣ 10 7 2

South
♠ —
♥ K J 5 3 2
♦ A K 10 3 2
♣ Q 6 3

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: North-South

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	2 ♥	3 ♥	3 ♠
Pass	Pass	Dbl.	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: ♦ 4

The juniors take on the schoolboys

By Phillip Alder

The final of the Carrousel Cup was held last April in the Netherlands. After a round-robin qualifying stage and two semifinals, the Polish juniors played against the Dutch Schools team. This distributional deal helped the winners.

At the other table, the Polish South reached four hearts and brought home 10 tricks for plus 620.

In this auction, West's two hearts was a Michaels Cue-Bid, promising at least 5-5 in spades and a minor. North was content with a three-heart raise, but was delighted to double when East contested with three spades. Maybe South should have passed. East could escape for three down, but would probably end four in the glue for minus 800. However, with a spade void, one can understand why South retreated to four hearts. East's double, though, is a total mystery.

South, Jacco Hop, made East pay the maximum. West led his singleton diamond: seven, nine, 10. Declarer played a trump to dummy's queen, East winning with the ace and giving his partner a diamond ruff. West exited with a club, but South finessed dummy's jack, cashed the club ace, crossed to hand with a diamond, ruffed the club queen on the board, drew trumps, and ran the diamonds. The declarer had brought home an overtrick for plus 990.

The Dutch youngsters went on to claim a sensational victory. Watch out for Bob Drijver, Jacco Hop, Marion Michielsen, Danny Molenaar, Vincent de Pahter and Tim Verbeek in future international events.

Your Birthday

Thursday, June 17, 2004

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Put your personal imprint on all your involvements today. Don't be afraid to take a chance on something you create, because what you originate or personally direct can reap large benefits.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Those little reliable flashes of intuition or inspiration upon which you've learned to depend will be once again right on target today, especially if any involves your family or loved ones.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Variety and change will help immensely to refurbish your mental outlook and attitude today. Plan to do something different that would offer you a fresh set of circumstances or experiences.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — The possibilities of successful work or career-related achievements are better than usual today. Chances are what transpires will be born out of an ingenious idea you'll get and develop.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — The smaller fragments of a plan you're developing will fall into place today once the broader outline is conceived. Begin with the big picture, and then color in all the spaces in detail.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — The sharpness of your mind and your ability to engage in a rapid interchange of ideas makes you the perfect person to handle any business transactions today. Step forward and take charge.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Your judgment concerning people and the conditions surrounding you will be particularly keen today. Don't let others do your thinking for you when it comes to how you operate in the world.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Conditions relating to your work or career are especially good today. Strike while the iron is hot by moving forward and taking action on meaningful goals you've been harboring.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — There could be something much larger and advantageous today behind what may appear to be a moderate gesture of goodwill from one you know socially. Time will bring you the answer.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Do not be resistant to changes that take place today, especially those of a domestic nature. These shifts will produce benefits for you and your loved ones that you wouldn't have otherwise acquired.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Trust your boldest ideas today, because they may have greater chances for success than any of your smaller ones would. Think big and have faith in your conceptions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Your smarts can pay large dividends today, so put that thinking cap on when it comes to making or saving money and use your ideas wisely. Your resourcefulness can reap extra bonuses.

CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Bivouacs
6 Roper of polls
10 Aid a criminal
14 Japanese seaport
15 Knocks lightly
16 Jacob's third son
17 Elated
20 Student mil. grp.
21 Fizzle
22 Queen Victoria's consort
23 Tribal leaders
26 Epsom __
27 Elated
31 Muse of poets
32 Old card game
33 Jason's ship
37 "Float like a butterfly" boxer
38 Napoleon's general
41 Mai __ cocktail
43 Help out
44 "Whatever __ Wants"
46 Track circuit
48 Funereal piece
50 Elated
54 Ant
57 Indefinite time periods
58 Lethal substance
60 French season
61 Ovid's outfit
65 Elated
68 View as
69 Plebiscite
70 Rainbow-shaped
71 To be in Toulon
72 Simon Says player
73 College VIPs

DOWN
1 Coconut fiber
2 Sci. class fig.
3 Crow's-nest site
4 Principle of conduct
5 4Runner or Highlander
6 Pyle and Banks
7 Side-to-side
8 Speed stat
9 Workplace safety grp.
10 Gulf state
11 Angle that's not right?
12 Turn inside out
13 Hues
18 Sturluson saga
19 "Born Free" lioness
24 Sue of "Lolita"
25 Aberdeen man
27 Make sound
28 Alice's Restaurant patron
29 Beach toy
30 Mauna __
34 __ avis
35 Caron title role
36 Baltic Sea feeder
39 Pipe bend
40 Wild oxen
42 Screen superstar
45 Majestic
47 Lab straw
49 Forthcoming
51 Perched upon
52 Lower or under
53 Frivolity
54 Old-style poetry
55 "Rouen Cathedral" painter
56 Carpenter's box
59 Classic Chevy model
62 Puget Sound whale
63 Singer Campbell
64 Contributes
66 Dandy
67 Bankroll

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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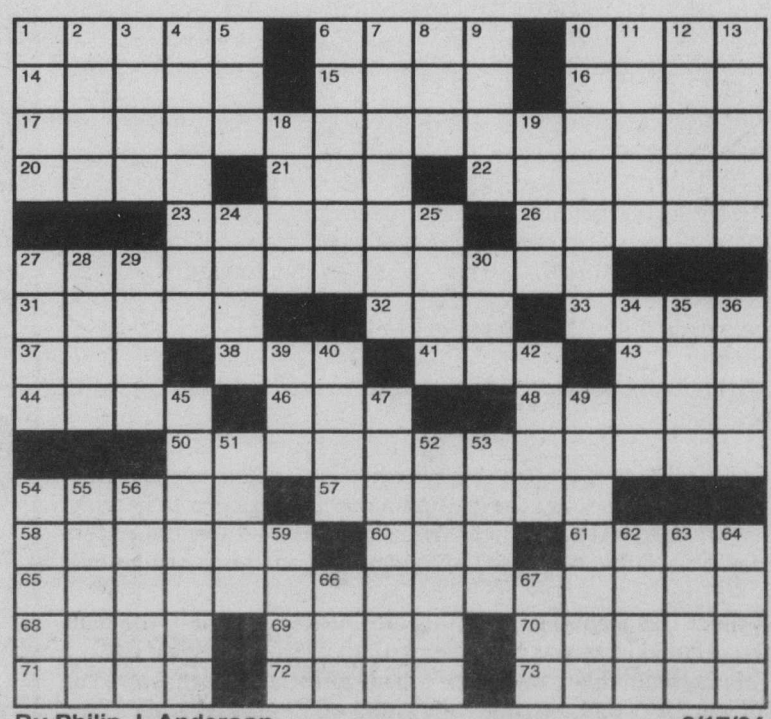


By Philip J. Anderson 6/17/04

THE RECORD

Dunham UCW

Nine members and guest Rev. Susan Tilleman were welcomed at the home of Diane Vachon, June 8, 2004. After repeating the Purpose in unison, and thanking all for coming, Shirley Vaughan led in devotional with reading an article, (which was very appropriate for the 60th anniversary of D-Day) entitled "Songs of Hope" from James Taylor's book, Every Day God, remembering Vera Lynn's songs of that era. She concluded with a reading from Exedous 3: 1-12 and a prayer.

A thank you note was read from Reg. Patterson for being remembered with a card at the time of his heart surgery.

Joyce reported a tidy amount was realized from the "free-will offering" from the benefit concert on June 5th.

We thank all who supported the cause, and especially the seven members of the Frost Village Brass Band who volunteered their time. It was greatly enjoyed also by several who came that were visitors for the Town's Clé des Champs festivities, and everyone was most welcomed.

Following a discussion re: the Town's Farmer's market from June 13th - Oct. 19th, re: our group renting a table for bake goods, it was decided we were unable to do so, reason being we're too few, many not well enough to be committed every week, with our other planned events.

Our next event will be Saturday, July 10th, Strawberry/Ice Cream Social at 1:30 p.m. Adults $5., children under 10 years, $3. Other following events are the Annual Rent-a-table Flea Market, Saturday, August 21st, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., and on September 18, 9 a.m. - noon, a Nearly New Sale. We look forward to seeing everyone at these events.

The next meeting is planned for August 10th, 1:30 p.m., at the home of Joyce Martin. Weather permitting we'll hold it out on her lawn.

Respectfully submitted
Barbara E. Harvey
D.U.C.W. secretary/publicity

P.S. In my account of the May meeting, I overlooked mention, the winners of African Violet plants were won by Betty Scurrah, Helen Dymond and Reda Claire Edmonds, at our Mother's Day Luncheon.

Father's Day

Flames of thoughts in the forehead of the morning sky of Father's Day
Kind thoughts burst out into sudden blaze dear dad I love you dearly
Father's Day is like a dream of a growing empire as I remember you dad
Fate has taken you away but I still remember dearly every Father's Day
Father's Day is a delightful day for me because I am a father also now
Whirlwinds of kindness seem like a throne from heaven on Father's Day
Gifts with pride express their flare of everlasting love o so keenly
The smiles on their faces leap with joy into my heart just to watch.
Father's Day is a heart and soul day of togetherness this special day
Charms of embracing arms and clasping charms of gleeful expressions
Dear dads this is no ordinary day we all bless and we want you to know
Without you we would not be here to celebrate this glorious occasion.

Father's Day pure and sweet is a harmonious treat to our dear dads
We greet you in songs the greatest rememberings ever so joyously
The wisdom you have taught us is liking to remember it all again
May every father be greeted with glorious and joyous care always.

Father's Day seems like gleaming blue heaven - bright by the stars
O dad could I love you more deeply than now on this great day
This day seems like paradise to so many folk who've been away long
All you lucky dads be cheerfully proud on this great Father's Day.

Harold Hodge

New Korean-built lineup looks good for Chevy.

By Dave Halliday
For CanWest News Service

EDMONTON - As General Motors dealers clear out the soon-to-disappear Cavalier and Sunfire, the automaker's new line of small cars is blazing a successful trail.

A key part of that success is the Korean-built portion of the GM lineup. Those small cars include the Aveo and the Optra. In the 2005 model year, they will be joined by the North America-built Cobalt.

The Optra occupies the middle ground in GM's small car strategy with prices starting at $16,190 for the base car and $17,465 for the better-equipped LS trim level. The base price on the Optra 5 LS, a four-door hatchback, is $17,800.

The Optra 5 supplied for a recent test drive was a nicely equipped LS model with an as-tested price of $19,650, including the freight charge.

The Aveo, starting at $13,820, is Chevrolet's entry-level car. The Cobalt will be priced above the Optra.

The Optra's 2.0-litre, double overhead cam engine, mated to a five-speed manual transmission, provided lively performance. The car performed well both around town and on the highway. Most buyers will undoubtedly choose the automatic transmission, which will blunt performance somewhat.

While the manual transmission shifted smoothly through the forward gears, reverse was another matter. To engage reverse, the transmission uses a reverse lockout, a feature that was common on four-speed transmissions in the muscle-car era more than 30 years ago.

This setup requires the driver to pull up on a disc on the shaft of the gearshift lever to engage reverse. The transmission on the tester proved balky about going into reverse.

In this shift pattern, reverse is located to the left of first gear. Most manufacturers use a manual shift pattern that places reverse far to the right, on the same side as fifth gear.

The tester was equipped with an AM/FM CD stereo with a storage compartment for CDs located below it. This stereo has small buttons that make it a chore to use and difficult to adjust while wearing gloves.

The Optra is part of GM's strategy to increase its small car offerings by importing cars from Korea. GM purchased part of the bankrupt Daewoo automaking empire - called GMDAT - which now is supplying the Optra, the subcompact Aveo and the mid-sized Epica to Chevrolet. Suzuki Canada sells the Aveo as the Swift+ and the Epica as the Verona.

Dennis DesRosiers of DesRosiers Automotive Consultants says GM is having a particularly strong year, up 5.9 per cent in a down market, and has picked up two and a half points of market share.

"Interestingly it is some of the Asian companies who are struggling the most this year," DesRosiers said.

Through April, Hyundai's sales were down 16 per cent, while Kia's fell 22.9 per cent.

"The two Koreans are up against stiff competition from GM's small car strategy," DesRosiers said. "GM is selling a lot of what we call the Chevywoo's - Korean-built products from GMDAT.

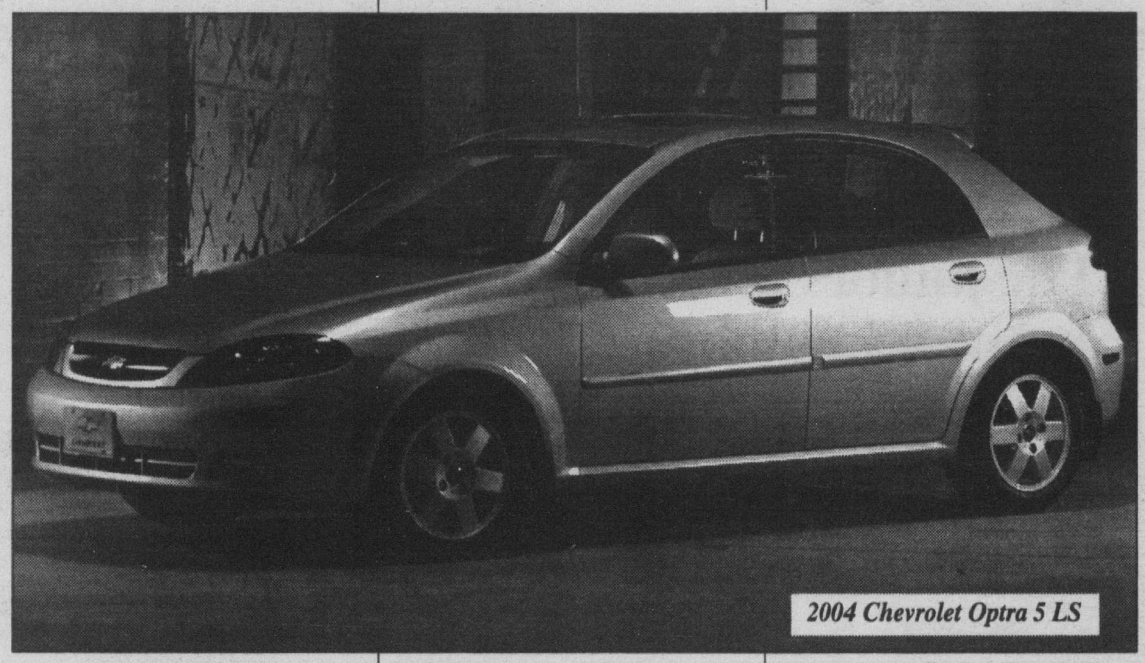
"Early reviews on these products are very good and the markets are accepting them," DesRosiers said.

"The new cars GM has brought in from Korea are perfectly positioned for Canada and demonstrate what a company can do with good products sold into the sweet spot of the Canadian marketplace," he said.

DesRosiers points out that the dealer network itself is a key component in the sales success of the Korean-built cars.

"It is also testament to the power of the GM dealer body," he said. "A lot of people forget that GM has one of the best dealer bodies in this country and when the factory properly aligns products for them, they can move vehicles very well."

While cars such as the Aveo and Optra are off to a solid start, their long-term success will depend on the service they provide to buyers. The cars are still too new to draw any conclusions about their reliability. If they demonstrate good reliability, they'll help GM hold and perhaps expand its share of the new-car marketplace. On the other hand, if the quality falls short, the Optra could be on a long, slow ride to oblivion.



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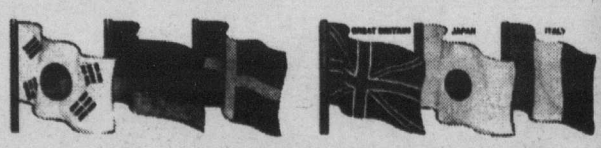

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