

Addoning of a new era for Bishop's athletics

Tony Addona will be the new athletic director at Bishop's

By Arash Madani
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD
LENNOXVILLE

Tony Addona, who is the athletic director and head football coach at Champlain College in Lennoxville, will replace Tom Allen as the head of the Bishop's sports department, The Record has learned.

Addona, a graduate of Springfield College, was offered the job Monday after going through a stringent application process to take over for Allen, who retired from the position effective Dec. 31 ending a four-decade relationship with Bishop's University.

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An official announcement will most likely be made next week by the school. The delay is required for Addona to take care of all the loose ends needed to be tied before leaving the neighbouring CEGEP campus for Bishop's.

"I'm pretty excited, hands down he won the job," said a member of the hiring committee. "Tony is well spoken, really well organized and he as an extensive background and knows what is going on."

Addona declined to comment publicly about the matter, but did say that he was a part of the entire interview process.

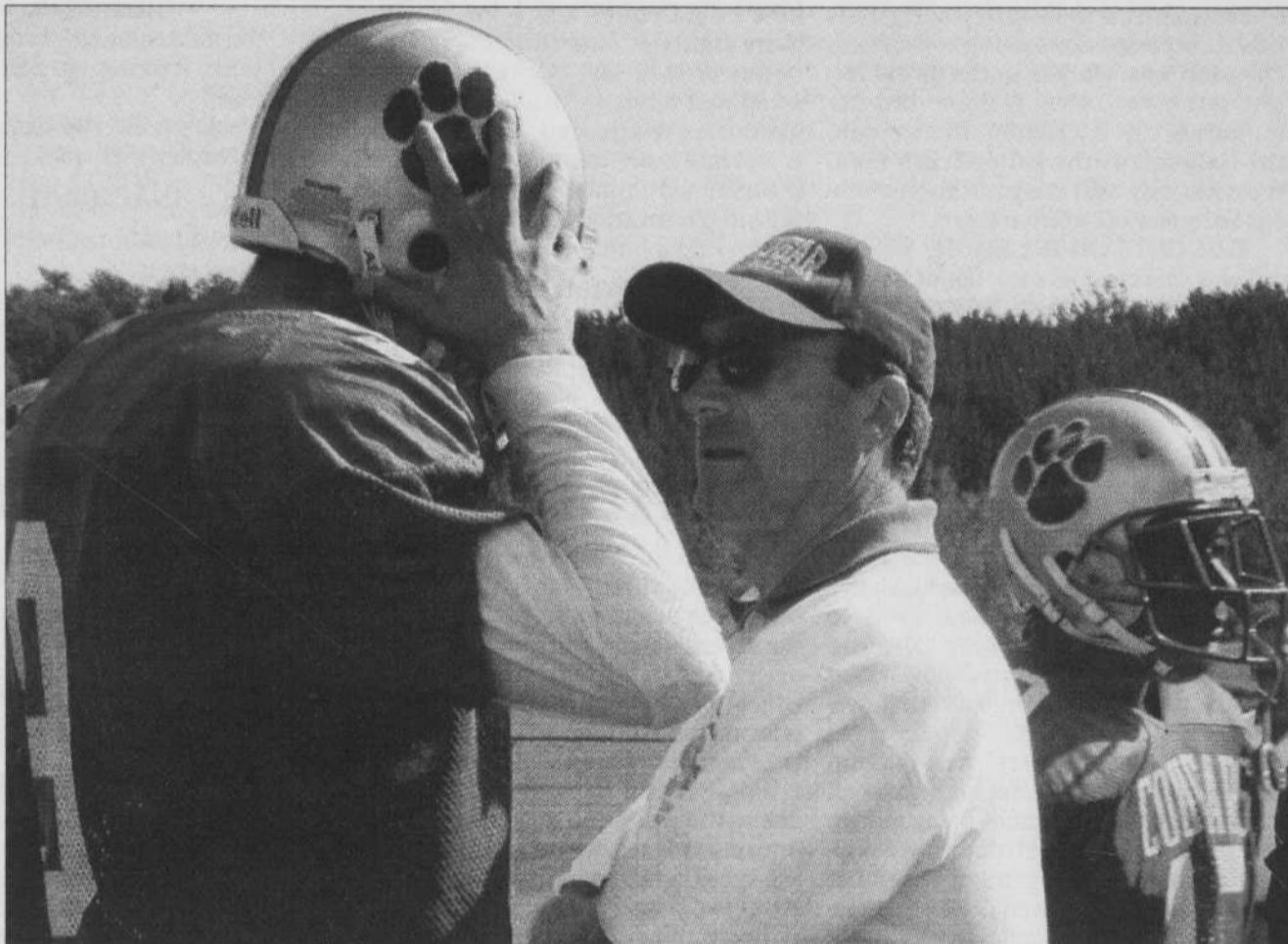
On the eve of the first day of training camp this past August, however, the coach entering what would be his last season with the Cougars said he felt that he was ready for a new challenge.

"I think I'm ready for something new, ready to move on and take my skills to the university level," Addona said.

"I know the Bishop's athletic department well, I know the coaches and know that I can be a good fit with everybody here."

Addona is still, officially, the athletic director at Champlain, but will move on to Bishop's as soon as he will be able to finish the paper work and guidelines needed to make the jump to the university level.

Sources told The Record that Addona, who has been at Champlain for the last 17 years, still needs to inform his players about his upcoming departure, settle some pension requirements on the transfer from one campus to the next and



RECORD FILE PHOTO

Tony Addona, long a favorite of the athletes he's coached at Champlain College, was the unanimous choice of the Bishop's hiring committee to replace retiring athletic director Tom Allen.

Tony Addona was one of five people initially short listed for a set of interviews with the hiring committee

also provide the official notice to the college that he is stepping down. Because he holds such a high position at Champlain, it may be another month before Addona can finally move over to the John H. Price Sports Centre to take over the athletic director post at Bishop's.

More than 50 candidates applied for the prestigious position. Addona was one of five people initially short listed for a set of interviews with the hiring committee, chaired by Bruce Stevenson, the dean of student affairs at the university.

Following his Nov. 16 meeting with the group, Addona was asked to come back for a second interview after the board cut the list of applicants to only three people. One person then dropped out early in the new year, and Addona got the nod over the other lone candidate remaining following one last meeting with the se-

lection team last Friday.

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Meet Fire Chief Michel Richer

Sherbrooke fire chief Michel Richer probably didn't know what he was taking on when he accepted the job as fire chief for the City of Sherbrooke in 1999.

The fire chief is now responsible for 65 part-time as well as the 96 full-time firefighters spread out over eight fire stations, including those in the former towns of Lennoxville, Bromptonville and Deauville.

Then again, given Richer's penchant for new challenges, he probably would not have been deterred. See Page 8 for more.



The evolution of jobs

One of the surprises as you mature, or at least get older, is that you have to go through many of the same changes that previous generations did. Particularly in the workplace. The advent of the automobile was not good news for blacksmiths. The invention of the telephone put a lot of Pony Express riders out on the street. And yet, the world survived. These displaced workers found other ways to make a living. And my generation has gone through the same type of minor social revolution. The knife sharpener guy is now a corporate downsizing consultant. The man who worked in the girdle factory is now a fitness trainer. And the milkman, the breadman, the iceman, the fisherman, the Fuller Brush man, the Avon lady and the gas station attendant are now all telemarketers.

THIS ONE'S ON THE HOUSE

I was thinking recently about how alcohol has let me down. When I was in high school and just finding out about alcohol, the things I was told about it just aren't true. They said, "Alcohol

makes you feel good." Tell me that on New Year's morning. They said "You don't get a headache from the booze, but from the mix." Right. Well how come I've never heard of a cola hangover? They said, "Alcohol is relaxing." Maybe. But only for the guy who's drinking it. Everyone else in the courtroom gets pretty edgy. They claim, "Alcohol promotes camaraderie." Well how come there are a lot more fights at bars than there are at Denny's? They say, "Alcohol enhances social and religious rituals." Not at the weddings I've attended. I guess alcohol is just one more thing in life that is OK if consumed in moderation, but is not the simple solution to any of our problems. What a bummer.

THE DYING WORDS

One of the problems that you experience once you reach middle age is that expressions you've been using for years

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become questionable, and you've been with people so long that they've stopped giving you the benefit of the doubt. Here is a list of unnecessary and inaccurate expressions that all men should remove from their vocabulary once they hit 50:

UNNECESSARY

- "I could be wrong."
- "You know better than me."
- "That's not the way I'd do it."
- "You must think I'm an idiot."
- "When it screws up, don't come running to me."
- "Would you like a word of advice?"
- "Do whatever you want."

INACCURATE

- "I hope I didn't offend you."
- "I feel great."
- "I'm glad you dropped in."
- "These pants still fit me."
- "I know what I'm doing."

FINDING YOUR CENTER

New employment resources for young T'shippers

Are you or someone you know a young Townshipper in need of acquiring knowledge and changing attitude in order to make a living in the region? Did you know all of the career opportunities for you are right here in the Eastern Townships?

Well, Townshippers' Association wants you to stay in the area you call 'home' and has thought of a way to help you! A new project entitled 'Townshippers of Tomorrow' began last November and already lots has been done. This project will offer an information service for English speakers about job and educational opportunities in the Townships. In the future, it will include an interactive website that gives clear and timely information on the regional labour market and related education as well as a hard-copy package that mirrors the information and interactive activities offered by the website.

The Townshippers of Tomorrow pro-

ject will be carried out over a period of three years. It comprises two main stages: the collection and synthesis of regional educational/labour market

information. This will take approximately 12 months. Phase 2 will involve the development and implementation of an interactive education and labour market information service targeting the English-speaking community. This will take about two years to complete.

Townshippers' Association has someone working full-time on developing this project and gathering information for the database. "Right now, we are concentrating on creating the database, working with a database designer," said Maria van Sundert, researcher and coordinator for the Townshippers of Tomorrow project. The information gathering has several steps. Decisions such as whether to include government lists in the database

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or simply putting them up on the website were figured out early on in the project. "Basically, we first needed to learn how to set up the information and begin to understand how the users will exploit the information and resources," added van Sundert.

The information will eventually be used throughout the Townships by schools, distance education, programs and people looking for career options.

If everything goes according to plans, the database will be designed by March 2002. The next steps include data entry, writing, proofreading, and the evaluation of the database by the Eastern Townships School Board, Job Links, guidance counselors, and by an information officer at Bishop's University. Depending on funding, work on the website will begin after these previously mentioned steps have been conducted and finished.

ARTICLES FOR SALE IN OUR OFFICES

Townshippers' Association would like to let you know that books and CDs by local writers and musicians are still available in our offices. Books include history books, poetry collections, activity guides for our region and so much more. CDs range from classical to folk music. If you missed our Books and Music Promotion projects before the Holidays, this is your last call! Stop by and browse.

Clothing such as hats, polar fleeces, and T-shirts with Townships logos are also for sale in our Lennoxville office. We even have special prices on 2001 Townshippers Day articles!

TAPROOT 2 SUBMISSIONS

Just a reminder that the deadline for Taproot 2 submissions is Jan. 31. Send your poems, photos or any enquiries to HYPERLINK "mailto:ta@townshippers.qc.ca" ta@townshippers.qc.ca .

Weather

Today: Snow beginning in the morning. Accumulation possibly exceeding 5 cm. High near minus 4.

Friday: Mostly cloudy with scattered flurries. Low near minus 13. High near minus 7. Probability of precipitation 60 per cent.

Saturday: Mostly cloudy with a few flurries. Low near minus 9. High near minus 2.

Ben by Daniel Shelton



Night of partying turned to tragedy at Bedford Hotel

By Maurice Crossfield

What started out as a case of friends having a good time ended in tragedy the night Adam Verville was shot.

Taking the stand Wednesday was Shawn Soule, a close friend who had spent the day and the night with Verville. He testified that he and Verville had consumed about a dozen cans of beer during the course of the afternoon and night, and had also smoked cocaine, which they purchased at the Bedford Hotel.

Just after midnight on the morning of Oct. 24, 2000 Soule and Verville returned to the Bedford Hotel, coming up the back stairs to Guy Hébert's apartment to buy more cocaine. The outside door was locked, so Soule smashed the window.

"We were drunk and we figured we'd come back tomorrow and give uncle Art (Bedford Hotel owner Arthur Ditcham) \$10 for the window," Soule said. Under cross examination he later said he didn't remember if he broke the window with his hand or his foot.

After that, things happened very quickly, Soule said.

"When we came through the door we were laughing about the window," Soule testified. "The door (to Hébert's apartment) come open and we saw Guy standing there with a gun."

He said Hébert was holding the shotgun at chest level when he came out the door.

The door come open and Boom!, the gun went off - witness

"The door come open and Boom!, the gun went off," he said. "Guy said 'Not again', and Boom!"

Soule said he saw little of the scene, and after the shotgun blast was temporarily unable to see clearly.

"When the gun went off I was close to the barrel too and there was gunpowder

in my face," he said.

"René (Giroux, who was in the apartment with Hébert) said run, and I said 'I can't see, I can't see,'" Soule contin-

ued. "He took me by the shirt and brought me out of the bar."

Entered into evidence was the double-barreled 12 gauge shotgun. Soule was also shown a photo of the burns on his face taken that night by police.

Soule said he and Giroux left the building, but then returned to a downstairs apartment to let Mario Verville know his nephew had been shot. After leaving the scene entirely he later returned to the scene of the shooting with his parents to speak to police.

Soule said a combination of a night of partying and the speed with which the events took place meant he didn't see very much before it was over. He said he had "... a good buzz." and Verville was "... in the same shape as me."

The trial continues today.

Blood-alcohol results are part of evidence

Drivers speed may have reached 97 km.h in fatal accident

By Nelson Afonso
SHERBROOKE

Quebec Court Judge Danielle Côté rejected a motion to have two alcohol tests suppressed Wednesday during day three of the trial of accused drunk driver Yanick Lallier.

Côté said that the officers who arrested Lallier in the early morning of Dec. 15, 1999 had sufficient cause to put Lallier through two alcohol tests once back at Sherbrooke police station.

Lallier is accused of drunk driving leading to the death of 18-year-old Valerie Cayer.

"The Canadian Supreme Court states that officers must objectively believe 'more likely than not' that the person was drinking," Côté told the courtroom.

Côté also said that the different circumstances surrounding the incident, such as it being a one-vehicle accident, dry road, the damages to the vehicle, Lallier's eyes were red and he smelled of alcohol, were also important deciding factors for police officers.

"It's unfortunate but we will go

ahead with our case," Lallier's defence lawyer Patrick Fréchette told The Record following the end of session.

Results from two tests conducted shortly after the accident showed that Lallier's blood-alcohol level reached 124 and then 125 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood. The legal limit in Quebec is 80 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood.

For a second straight day, Sûreté du Québec crime scene investigation expert Serge Nolet took the stand to answer questions about how fast Lallier was going when he lost control of his parents' white Acura in the curve in front of former St-Vincent-de-Paul Hospital on King Street East near Kennedy Street in Sherbrooke.

Basing his calculations mainly on a series of skid marks at the scene, Nolet determined that Lallier was was traveling about 82 km/h before entering the curve and skidding toward the sidewalk to his right. Nolet also figured that the Acura's speed may have possibly reached 97 km/h at the end of the curve.

There were no brake tracks at the scene.

However, after two hours off cross-examination from Fréchette, Nolet admitted that he had not investigated the possibility that a factor from inside the

car, such as a snow brush getting under the accelerator, could have caused Lallier to speed up and lose control in the curve.

Nolet also admitted that his estimates on speed were only theoretic and that the exact speed of the Acura is impossible to determine.

"That was very important. I think I showed that we could not determine the speed," added Fréchette.

Also testifying Wednesday was toxicologist Jean-Pierre Robitaille who told the court that a blood-alcohol level above 100 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood usually affects a person's motor skills, especially while he or she is driving. Effects of intoxication include a decreases in coordination, concentration, memory and vigilance, said Robitaille.

The Crown is expected to close its case today.

Murder victim identified

The Sûreté du Québec identified the body of a 72-year-old murder victim from Granby. Fernand Robert was found lifeless on a nature path in the east end of Granby earlier this week.

"We have a preliminary autopsy report," said SQ spokesman Serge Dubord. "We know it wasn't a gunshot wound he sustained to his head. Some other, unknown object was used to strike the victim."

Dubord said police don't know why the man was savagely killed.

An individual notified Granby police after he found the body in the cross-country ski path towards 10:40 a.m. The victim is unknown to police.

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Stadium funding assured: Pauline Marois

Staff
SHERBROOKE

A provincial government announcement on the construction of a new track and field stadium at the University of Sherbrooke is imminent, says Finance Minister Pauline Marois.

On hand for the launch of a new savings product developed with business faculty researchers, Marois confirmed the university does not have to worry about provincial government financing for the \$12-million stadium that is a must for Sherbrooke to host the World Youth Athletics Championships in 2003.

Marois said she had discussed the issue with Tourism Minister Richard Legendre and invited PQ regional delegate Claude Boucher to react. Boucher said the government has promised to find the money.

But Marois said there is no news

from Ottawa, which is being asked to fund half the project under the federal/provincial infrastructure plan.

Rector Bruno-Marie Béchard said he's concerned about the federal government's commitment after Monday's federal cabinet shuffle which promoted Denis Coderre, the former minister responsible for sports and recreation.

"That will force us to put more pressure on Ottawa to make a commitment," Béchard said. "It is no longer five minutes to midnight, it's five minutes past midnight and we have no time to waste."

Last weekend the university issued a call for tenders for the first phase of construction of the stadium which consists of clearing land and installing underground infrastructures. The deadline for submission is February 6.

Béchard said that the university had to go ahead, or it could not have met its deadlines for the games.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Quebec Finance Minister Pauline marois said funding for stadium would be forthcoming.

Bedford farmer's fight with UPA postponed to Feb. 8

By Stephen McDougall
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

Granby - An attempt by Bedford farmer Guy Rocheleau to legally challenge the power of the Quebec farmer's union, known as the UPA, has been postponed due to the ongoing Guy Hébert murder trial.

Rocheleau was scheduled to present his defence arguments Thursday, Jan. 17 in Superior Court at the Granby courthouse.

But an official at the Superior Court said Rocheleau's case has been put off until Feb. 8. She said at that time, a date

will be set to hear the case.

Rocheleau has vowed to challenge the union's monopoly on representing Quebec farmers, arguing that as an entrepreneur, he has the right not to be associated with the UPA and not pay union dues.

This after the UPA sued him for \$1,500 in back dues six years ago.

Formed in 1972, the UPA has been recognized by the Quebec government as the sole union representing farmers. That recognition means farmers are obliged to pay UPA dues which presently cost \$250 per year.

Joe Clark to visit BU

Bishop's University and the Sherbrooke Progressive Conservative Association will welcome the Right Honourable Joe Clark, Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2002 for two events.

The Conservative Party leader is scheduled to speak at Bandeen Hall at 12:15 Tuesday.

The second event will be a benefit cocktail reception hosted by the Sherbrooke PC Association in the Cleghorn

Room, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Tickets for the reception are available in advance only at the cost of \$30 General Admission, \$25 for Seniors, and \$15 for students.

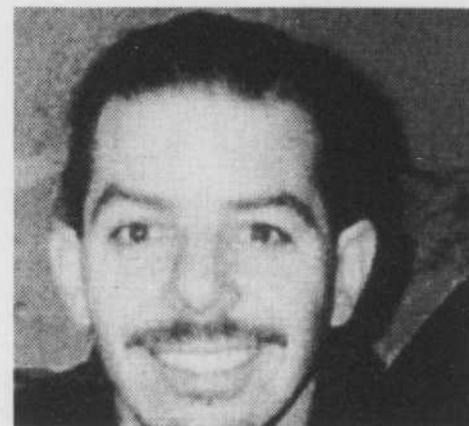
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Police looking for missing man

Staff

The Sherbrooke Regional Police Force is asking citizens to be on the lookout for François Rodrigue, 32, who went missing on Dec. 11 after receiving treatment for epilepsy at the Bowen site of the CHUS. Rodrigue left the site without authorization. He usually wears black clothing, has brown eyes, measures 5'7" and weighs 135 lbs. He worked as a cook at La Chaudronnée. Police believe the man might suffer from depression. If you have any information, please call police at 819-821-5544.



BRIEFS

Driver could face charges

A 23-year-old Sherbrooke man will likely face charges of dangerous driving resulting in injuries after a three-way vehicle accident which occurred towards 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday on Hwy 220 in Saint-Élie-d'Orford.

The man, who was driving a Ford, decided to pass a Suzuki, but ended up in a 180-degree spin.

"There was ice and he crashed head-on into the other vehicle," said Sherbrooke Regional Police Force spokesman André Lemire. "A third vehicle hit the ditch to avoid crashing into them."

Two women were taken to the CHUS in Fleurimont. The female driver broke her legs while her passenger sustained internal injuries.

Police are currently looking for a witness who might have seen the accident. Anybody with information should contact investigators at 819-821-5514.

Meanwhile, the man was released under the condition that he not drive a vehicle.

Hit-and-run suspect out on bail

A Magog man suspected of committing a hit-and-run against a 68-year-old woman was released yesterday on the condition that he maintain the peace and not drive a vehicle. Patrick Létourneau, 18, was arrested on Dec. 31, one day after Cécile Robert was struck by an oncoming vehicle while she was trying to enter her back yard.

"The boy is facing hit-and-run, dangerous driving, and criminal negligence charges," said Memphrémagog Police spokesman Capt. Yves Denis. "His vehicle's tires were completely worn out."

Police seized Létourneau's 1988 Acura Integra after finding it matched the description provided by a witness who saw that brand of vehicle drive by near the scene of the crime. Robert, in the meantime, is in stable condition, recovering from a fractured skull as well as broken knees and hips.



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Cataloguing archives is mammoth undertaking

Merger requires files to be sent to borough headquarters

By Daniel Huot
SAINT-ÉLIE-D'ORFORD

Archivist Nicole Fontaine hasn't seen so many boxes of documents since she opened her company, Système Gedoc Inc., in 1985. Her work consists of classifying all documents that belonged to the former towns that now make up the new city of Sherbrooke, the MRC, as well as the intermunicipal police board and the local water board.

In all, some 810,000 files need to be cataloged.

"If we were to put every box side by side, the line would be approximately three kilometres long," Fontaine noted.

The task is colossal, considering the documents must be separated into various categories, the most important being active and completed. Every document must be sorted, then shipped to the appropriate location.

"We try to determine whether our active files need to go the city or to the boroughs," said Fontaine.

Since there are now only six boroughs replacing the eight former towns, Fontaine has to divide the files by street name to determine to which borough office they should be sent, if they are still needed.

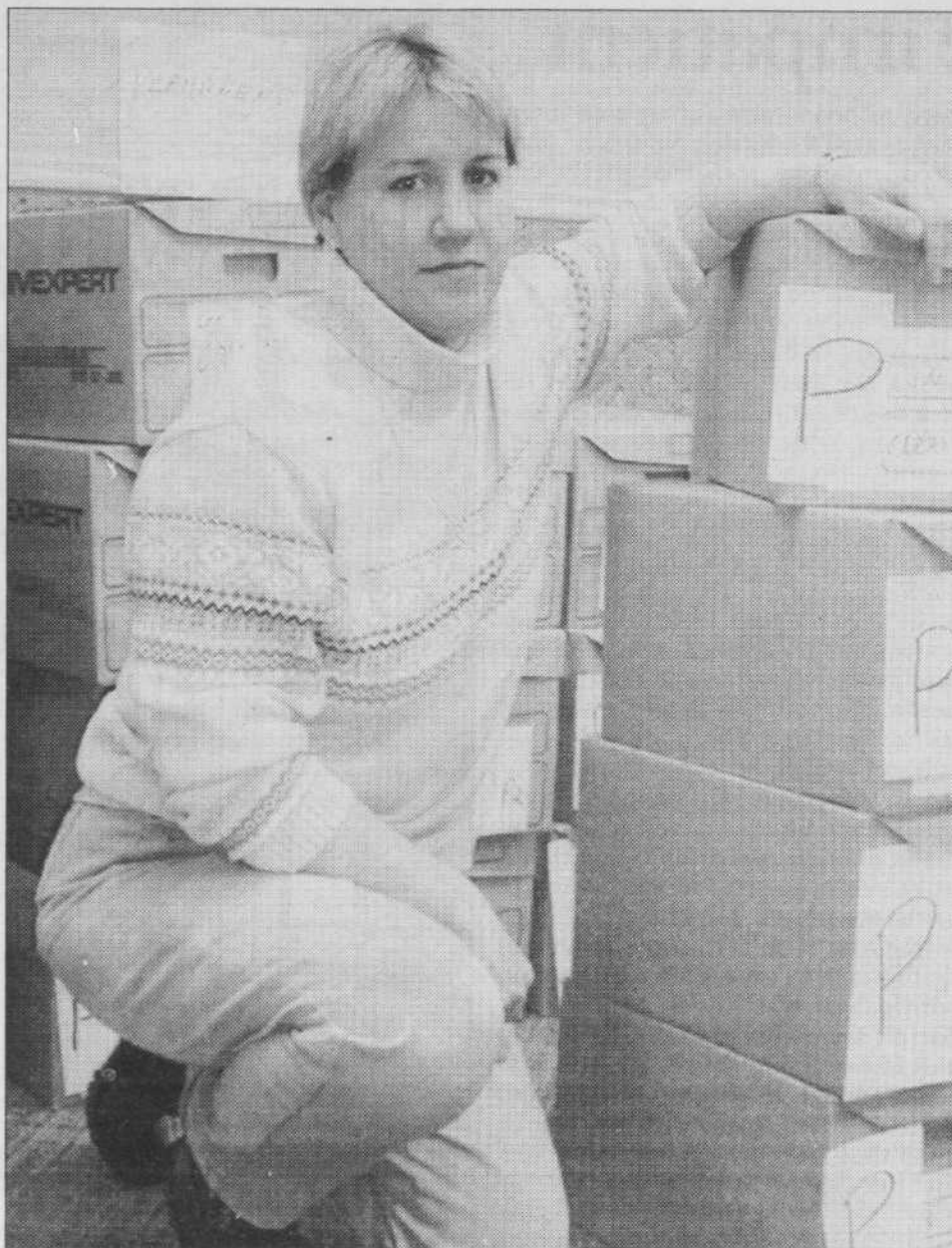
Some files are more confusing than others.

"We're finding some Ascot files in the Lennoxville boxes," Fontaine noted. "That's because Lennoxville acquired some of Ascot's territory."

She estimates work will last a minimum of 18 months.

Files that have been closed will either be used as historical archives or discarded in the paper shredder.

"That'll be step number 265," Fontaine quipped. "We're still at step number three, working on files that



DANIEL HUOT

Nicole Fontaine will be sorting out the files in these boxes and shipping them back to the City of Sherbrooke and to the Lenn Borough.

need immediate attention."

Approximately 30 Lennoxville boxes stood before her. Some of the documents enclosed in those boxes will be returned to Borough Hall, while the re-

mainder will be shipped to City Hall in Sherbrooke.

"We've got 10,000 files just for Lennoxville," she said.

Fontaine had to learn how borough

and city powers were divided when she began the monumental task two weeks ago. She expects up to 10 people will help her complete the work in the upcoming months.

Each file will be given a code which will make it easy for city officials and researchers to find the documents they are looking for.

"Every category will have a file number," noted Sherbrooke city clerk Pierre Huard. "It will be the same thing at the computer level."

Huard used as an example property sale certificates. The first digits of the code will allow users to know that the document they are consulting pertains to property sales.

"It will benefit all citizens and ensure that we don't lose precious data," Huard added.

Meanwhile Fontaine described her work as a one-shot deal. She informed her colleagues that she hasn't seen such a large amount of work since her first year of operation, when she improved the health board's cataloging system to meet access to information requirements.

"You learn a lot about society when you do this kind of work," said Fontaine. "You need to be curious and respectful of the data you are consulting."

Even though she acknowledged it was the first time she was interviewed by a journalist Tuesday, Fontaine was careful to remain discreet about the content of the files.

CORRECTION

An error was made in Brome County News, Jan. 16 regarding the Spagetti Supper to be held at The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #82 in Philipsburg. The date stated that the supper would be held on Jan. 25 when in fact it will be held this Saturday, Jan. 19 from 4 - 8 p.m. with a donation of \$5. Everyone welcome! Brome County News regrets any inconvenience this may have caused.

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Community Forum

Politics of the impatient

Rex Murphy is right. It's unnatural. Tuesday night on the CBC, Rex put in words far beyond this amateur scribe's ability, his thoughts on Brian Tobin's sudden and surprising departure from politics. At the risk of oversimplifying Rex's description of Mr. Tobin, let me suggest anyway that I agree with his assessment of Mr. Tobin as a man with politics in every body cell and his leaving really is contrary to his very nature.

VIEWPOINT

DON HEALY

So why is he leaving?

Let's reflect for a moment on the fact that it is only a few days more than a year since Lucien Bouchard shook everybody up by stepping out of politics and consider what, if anything, Tobin and Bouchard have in common.

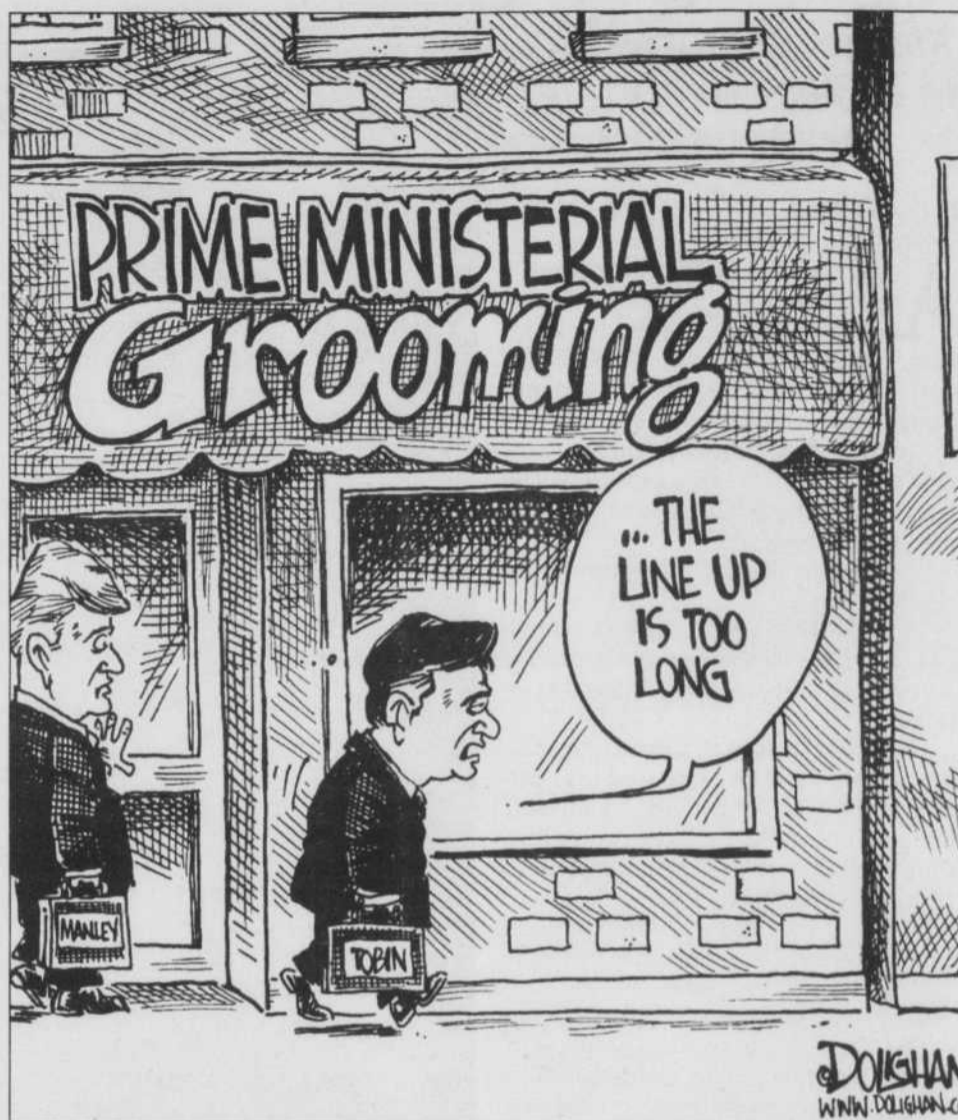
One of Brian Tobin's nicknames has been Captain Canada, which got pinned on him for his handling of the turbot war. Well folks, a nickname like that would never stick to Lucien Bouchard, for reasons needing no explaining here, even if he did serve for a while as a Canadian ambassador. Captain Quebec maybe, but never mind that for now; he left the political stage when no one expected him to and, so far, has hardly looked back. He vanished from Quebec politics.

As different as these two men are, however, they do have something in common. That something is what, in my opinion, drove them both off the

stage. As honourable as they both insist their reason for leaving politics is - family commitment - if their political goals had been achievable, the family would not only have come second, but welcomed the position. Both men came to accept that their dreams were

not going to come true, at least not within the limits of their patience. Lucien Bouchard recognized that he was not going to become emperor of a sovereign Quebec and Brian Tobin knows that the Prime Minister's office is not his to claim in the foreseeable future. And it is entirely possible, ironically perhaps, that both of them were brought to the stark reality of their situations by the same individual - in one case as the victorious political opponent and in the other as a true political friend. No matter what your evaluation of Jean Chrétien, he is inconveniently in the way for people with their ambitions.

If Lucien Bouchard has any notion that a political comeback is a possibility, he shows no sign of it. Brian Tobin, on the other hand, has a huge challenge before him if he is to convince voters that he is truly transformed into a non-political animal. Rex is right; it just doesn't seem natural and if my crystal ball is worth anything, Mr. Tobin is young enough to be retransformed and politically smart enough to keep in mind that people have long memories that can fade in the voters' booth.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Shouldn't have published story

DEAR EDITOR,

I found the article on the young vandals in the Dec. 15 paper to be nothing more than garbage. Sure these young people did a wrong deed but should their names be published and ruin their life?

Don't get me wrong - I am happy that the police are doing something and that they caught somebody but their guilt is yet to be proven. For all I know, maybe only one of the three did all these deeds or none of them. This whole article shows just how low The Record will go to get something spectacular. This article does nothing more than waste space and advertise the police department and the town, especially Doug MacAulay. The police found someone to arrest and now they are doing something, finally! The police department is no longer considered to be doing nothing because of this article. Did you notice how proud the police officer looked on the photo?

The whole tone of the article seems to blame these three for months of

vandalism. I quote, "Police soon nabbed the suspects and closed the curtain on a drama that has been angering citizens for months." Nonsense! What kind of low-level journalism is this? Do you want us to believe that all the vandalism problems are due to these three?

I seriously doubt that the young people came all the way from Cookshire for months just to open fire hydrants.

I was considering subscribing to The Record but now I have other thoughts after reading this.

In all good faith I think that these young people deserve an apology from Daniel Huot for writing this and making their lives all the more difficult than it already is.

We were all young at one time - even I did stupid things. I'm just happy that The Record was not around when I did them.

PAUL DUMONT
By e-mail

Editor's Note: The Record has been around for 105 years, and while stupidity isn't a crime, if you had been over 18 and charged with a crime, chances are we would have reported on it, and the verdict afterwards.

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MORE LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Boycotting meeting is not the answer

DEAR EDITOR,

Re: Sue Nicholas', Synod Delegate of St. James' Church Compton pathetic letter in the editorial page 6 dated Jan. 9.

She cries out that the royal "we" boycott these meetings, meaning her and her Church minister, her and the Anglican Church congregation in Compton, or her and all the readers and the subscribers of the Record, which happily includes all the non Anglican members and the non Christians.

Members of St. Francis Deanery Council and the concerned church members of the parish of Eaton-Dudswell-Victoria and I will be at the Deanery Council meeting. And, we would like to hear from her "we" in the right place and forum who understand the issue and the purpose of "these meetings."

There was and is nothing wrong in the leadership of Bishop Bruce Stavert of the Diocese of Quebec, but there was and is everything wrong in that negative and poor attitude which encourages dissension. Is this just Sue and her "we" ploy to prevent the Bishop of Quebec diocese from making the decision to move St. Francis Deanery Council onward and forward? And perhaps, through "these meetings"

recommend some bold and much needed changes?

THE REV'D SISTER MARY FLORENCE LIEW
Incumbent of E-D-V-parish, Cookshire

Stick with the party line

DEAR EDITOR,

In response to David Crosby's (former Nortel Network employee) Jan.8 letter that Mr. Moore get his facts straight, I would like to point out that Mr. Moore's statements were 100 per cent straight. I was one of Bell's guinea pigs that got stuck with this great, wonderful, new CDMA technology.

Bell phoned me one day and said, "Good news, Sir...we are going to put in your private line." They said it was a new system and that I would finally have access to the Internet. They went on to say that to expect it would be "very, very," slow Internet. When installation was done and I went to the barn at night I noticed that the exterior ringer didn't work. I phoned repair service to have this problem fixed. When they arrived they tried interchanging wires etc, etc. - nothing worked. They couldn't understand why the exterior ringer wouldn't ring. The only thing they could figure out was that the system (CDMA) wasn't strong enough. Great new technology,

right?!

I also noticed that when I dialed out that once I finished the last number and I put the receiver to my ear it took approximately 10 seconds before it started to ring. Once the party was reached and started to talk it wasn't long before they would ask me why they heard their own voice echoing over and over again. I said it was this wonderful CDMA.

We also tried this voice mail. The problem with it was that the answering machine (at Bell) would come on after two rings (which didn't give us enough time to answer the phone). We phoned Bell to change the number of rings. A Bell representative phoned back and said that with CDMA we couldn't change the number of rings.

In conclusion, I just want to say, we are in the year 2002, Mr. Crosby, not the 1950's and that one again Mr. Moore's facts are straight because I was one of Bell's guinea pigs and if this is the best Mr. Nortel Network employee can come up with, you can "keep it," I'll stick with my party line.

GLEN SMITH
Kingsbury

Ouch, Mr. Blackwell's tongue is almost as sharp as a steel-jaw leg hold trap. According to him, Britney Spears' outfits are "wacky tacky belly-baring bombs." Well, as far as People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) is concerned, anyone who has enough compassion not to wear fur makes our A list any day.

Each year, millions of animals are painfully trapped in steel-jaw leg hold traps. Those who don't freeze or starve are usually beaten to death or suffocated when the trapper arrives hours or days later. Animals on fur farms fare no better. They are crowded in wire mesh cages where they suffer from disease, parasites, neglect, and stress. They are anally electrocuted, poisoned, suffocated, and/or skinned alive.

In PETA's book, fur is a dreadful disgusting callously cruel creation. For more information, please visit Furl-Dead.com Readers can also see Britney in a stylish, animal-friendly red pleather (fake leather) jumpsuit at CowsAreCool.com or PleatherYourself.com


Sincerely,

HEATHER MOORE
Correspondent
PETA

People for the Ethical Treatment of
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In defence of Britney

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Michel Richer maps out integration plan for firefighters

Fire chief now responsible for eight stations

By Daniel Huot
LENOXVILLE

Michel Richer's responsibilities have significantly increased since the creation of the new city of Sherbrooke. The fire chief is now responsible for the 65 part-time as well as the 96 full-time firefighters spread out over eight fire stations, including those in the former towns of Lennoxville, Bromptonville and Deauville.

"The integration is going ahead really smoothly," said Richer of the creation of the larger fire department. "The part-time firefighters, since they are no longer designated as volunteers, are paid for every intervention."

In fact, the new relationship runs much deeper.

"If there's a fire in Lennoxville, the part-time firefighters will arrive at the scene at the same time as the full-time firefighters," he said.

The lieutenants in charge of both groups will then work together to organize any rescue efforts that are deemed necessary on the spot. The fire chief noted since the new city now exists, it's possible to share human and material resources.

Training part-time firefighters is also another aspect of Richer's responsibilities. In all, the 65 men and women must complete nine modules of 45 hours each for a total of 405 hours of training to attain the minimum standards required by provincial law.

"That makes a lot of lessons," Richer acknowledged. "People also have work and family obligations. We don't expect everybody to complete the courses within the first year."

Taking it one step at a time will encourage the part-time firefighters to continue working at the fire stations, Richer added. Nobody has quit to date.

"In the integration plan signed be-



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Fire Chief Michel Richer with Lennoxville District Chief George Beaulieu discuss integration of departments.

tween the transition committee and the union, there's a clause that allows part-time firefighters to acquire full-time status," he said. "This time we're talking about 27 modules (1,215 hours of training) and not nine."

The fire chief says union matters still need to be ironed out. Richer said firefighters are bound by their current collective agreements. Once a new agreement is drafted later this year, every firefighter will be working under the same rules.

"That's why there are wage and working condition differences between Lennoxville, Bromptonville and Deauville," said Richer.

One of the highlights of the merger process was the integration of a harmonized communications system. Firefighters in every borough now work on the same frequency.

"In Lennoxville, the former telephone number to reach the fire department, 562-8333, has been changed to the 9-1-1 service. A message currently informs callers to dial 9-1-1."

Firefighters will be encouraged to continue to participate in fundraising activities in Lennoxville and the other boroughs, Richer noted.

"The only thing the union is op-

posed to is the money being spent on equipment," he said. "That means the amounts gathered will go towards other charities and organizations."

He listed a toy drive as a possible example.

The city will have to develop a risk management plan for its fire coverage. Coverage in Lennoxville could become less costly because of the additional resources, Richer noted.

"Only two MRCs in the province have completed their plans," he said. "We'll be preparing ours in the upcoming months."

In the meantime, if an urgent situation should arise before April 1, such as an ice storm or a flood, the district chief in each of the former towns will be responsible for enacting emergency plans for the area. After that date, Richer said he'll be in charge of enforcing emergency measures.

A three-year plan will also be drafted for vehicles and equipment. The fire chief promised the part-time firefighters will be getting new equipment in the future, adding the city hasn't removed any of their work tools.

"When we hire firefighters, they must all pass a test proving that they are able to communicate in both languages," said Richer. "Our 9-1-1 dispatchers must be able to speak and understand English perfectly. There's no question about that."

Even though he works roughly 60 hours per week, Richer still finds time to improve his own skills. He's currently completing an MBA at the Université du Québec à Montréal.

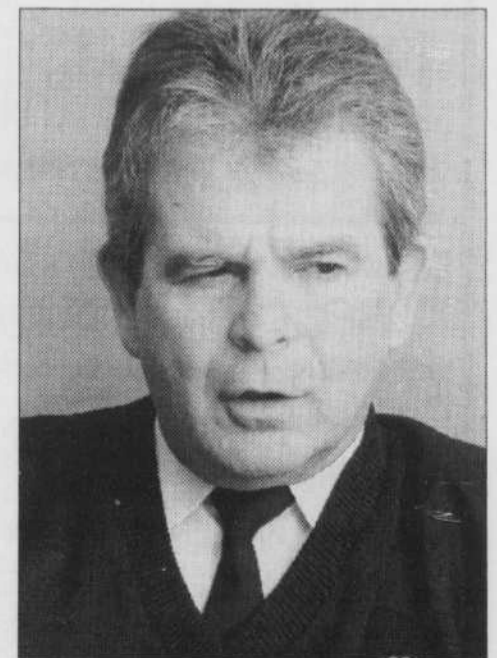
One of his areas of expertise is training arson dogs.

"I'm the first person in this province to train dogs to detect combustible materials," he said. "So far, I've trained seven dogs and three for France and Belgium."

Right now, he has two Labradors under his supervision. Even though Richer doesn't have much time for sports, he made it to the pre-Olympics in 1976 in shooting.

"I teach engineers who wish to investigate fires at the École Polytechnique in Montreal," he added.

He joined Sherbrooke's fire department 20 years ago and has held the top job since 1999. Many of his years were spent as an inspector.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Integration plan should be ready in upcoming months: Fire Chief Michel Richer.



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Fire chiefs work on seamless response to fires.

Credit card rates 'grotesquely high,' says new minister

By Eric Beauchesne
SOUTHAM NEWSPAPERS
OTTAWA

John McCallum, the new junior finance minister and former senior banker, says credit card interest rates are "grotesquely high."

"I think the banks should lower them," the Liberal MP and former chief economist at the Royal Bank said Wednesday on his way into his first cabinet meeting.

McCallum's criticism of high credit card rates comes as the central bank has been cutting interest rates to try and stimulate the depressed economy.

And it follows last month's report by the new federal banking watchdog that the spread between the trend-setting bank rate, set by the Bank of Canada, and credit card rates was at an all-time high.

That spread at year end ranged from more than 16 percentage points on average to over 25 percentage points for retail credit cards.

It widened even further this week as the Bank of Canada cut its target rate for overnight loans to the banking system for the 10th straight time, to a 42-year low of two per cent. That in turn engineered a record-breaking cut in other interest rates, which are now at their lowest levels ever, but credit card rates didn't budge.

Still, the rookie cabinet minister was chastised by Prime Minister Jean Chretien for going public with his criticism of high rates before raising them first at the cabinet table.

"He has views, now he will have to express them within the cabinet," the PM said.

McCallum's concern, however, was quickly echoed by newly appointed Industry Minister Allan Rock - a veteran cabinet member and potential successor to Chretien - who said high credit card rates have "always been a concern."

"We'll continue to work with the financial sector to try to bring them down," Rock said. "The policy of the government is to encourage economic activity and we're concerned about all the factors that affect that objective."

But neither Rock nor McCallum were able to say how or when they would lower credit card rates, or even if they could.

And Bill Knight, the head of the new federal Financial Consumer Agency of Canada, said nothing should be done other than to warn consumers to "shop around" for the lowest available rates.

"An intervention for a fixed artificial rate is not healthy in the market place in the long term," Knight said in an interview after releasing his first ever report as financial industry watchdog.

The report noted that "the difference between average credit card interest rates and the Bank of Canada rate is at an all-time high."

Credit card rates range from more than 28 per cent on retail cards to more than 15 per cent on standard cards to about 10 per cent on the so-called low-rate cards.

But even the rate on the low-rate cards is still more than double the 3.75 per cent prime rate, which is the rate offered to top corporate borrowers and the benchmark rate for loans to other businesses and consumers.

Denise Harrington, vice-president of public affairs with the Canadian Bankers Association, agreed that con-

sumers should shop around for the credit card that's best for them.

"It's a very competitive market," she said. "The rates of the cards reflect the costs of providing the services."

"Credit cards are really a convenient way for people to pay for purchases without having to have cash, without having to write a cheque, to be able to do it on the phone, on the Internet or in person," she said. "There are also alternatives to credit cards if you are borrowing money to make a purchase and it's going to take you a while to pay it off."

Diane Brisebois, president of the Retail Council of Canada, said the rates on retail cards are highest because their costs are the highest.

Retailers don't have the economies of scale of large credit card operations, she said.

Also, when interest rates are falling it's usually because the economy is weak, which is when the costs of running a credit card operation tend to rise because of the increase in bad debts, she noted.

Further, retailers have tended to provide credit to consumers who otherwise would not be able to get credit, which means there's a higher risk to retailers, Brisebois said.

The good news for consumers, however, is that more than 60 per cent pay their credit card bills in full each month and pay no interest, she added.

The spread in credit card interest rates at year end ranged from more than 16 percentage points on average to over 25 percentage points for retail credit cards.

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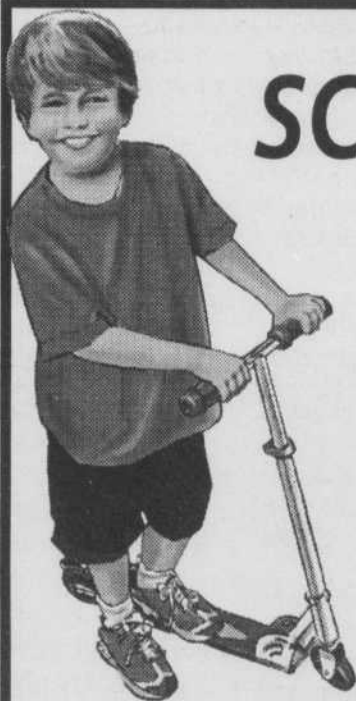
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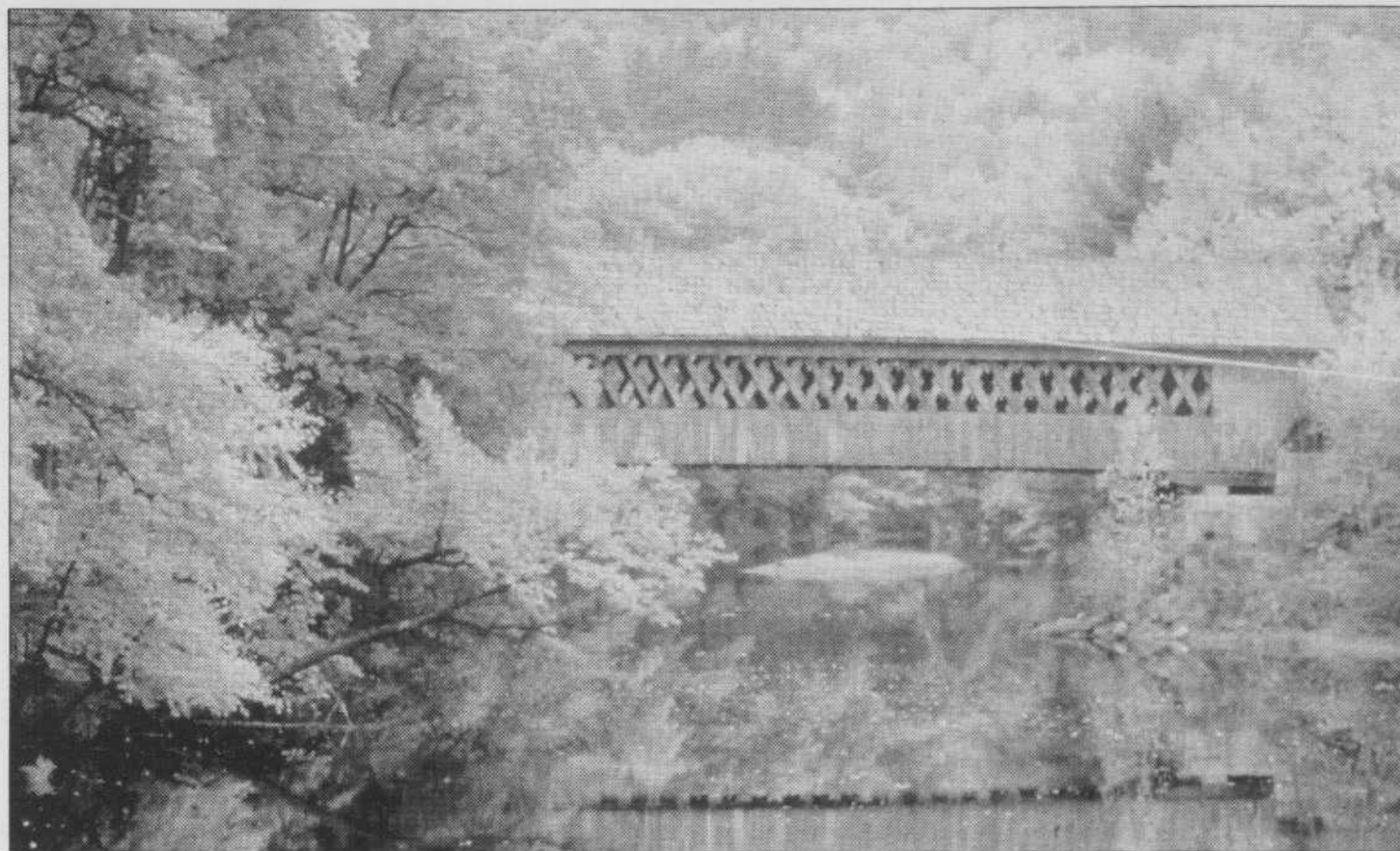
By Christina Coruth
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

A Sunday drive along the country roads of New Hampshire can suddenly become a stroll into the days of yesteryear if you happen upon one of New Hampshire's many covered bridges. They are the gateway to the past, a reminder of a young nation carved out of wilderness. Beautiful and practical, they witnessed the everyday comings and goings of hard working people, as well as stolen kisses during moonlit buggy rides.

Although it isn't known when or where the first covered bridges were built, it is thought the earliest were in Europe, perhaps as early as the 13th century. It is certain that covered bridges predated the settling of the New World. Therefore, it's not surprising that covered bridges would soon be found in the New World, particularly the Northeast and Pennsylvania, where forests for timber and skilled craftsmen were plentiful and the need for crossing waterways was great.

New Hampshire was a perfect example of this scenario. Settlers found that New Hampshire forests were a rich source of supplies for the most important industry of the day – shipbuilding. And, of course, the shipbuilding industry required, and ultimately created, a skilled labor force of carpenters. Colonial New Hampshire thrived on the lumber and shipbuilding industries. As settlers moved inland, commerce depended on the ability of the farmers to get their produce to market. That in turn created a need for a road system. One of New Hampshire's greatest resources, an abundance of rivers, streams, and ponds, soon became an obstacle to commerce.

Ferries and bridges seemed the likely answer to the problem. Improved bridge designs, including those of Ithiel Town of New Haven, Connecticut, Stephen Long of Hopkinton, New Hampshire,



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The covered bridge at New England College in Henniker, New Hampshire.

and William Howe of Spencer,

Massachusetts made it easier to build bridges that could withstand the tests of time. Covered bridges are beautiful and are the subject of romance and folklore. Yet, the reason for covering the bridges was rooted in good old Yankee practicality. Protection against snow and rain prevented the main structures from rotting and, therefore, added many years to the life of the bridges. Some of these wonderful wooden structures have survived for 80 years.

Over 400 covered bridges once spanned the rivers and streams of New Hampshire. Time, floods, neglect, and

arsonists have left about 55 remaining. New Hampshire recognized the historical and aesthetic value of these bridges, and, in 1963 passed a law to protect them. According to that law, permission and a public hearing are required before a covered bridge may be destroyed. Funds are available from the State for the restoration of covered bridges.

New Hampshire has many special covered bridges, including the longest in the nation. The Cornish-Windsor Bridge spans the Connecticut River between Vermont and New Hampshire. In addition to being the longest in the USA, it is the eighth longest covered

bridge in the world.

Covered Bridges dot all regions of New Hampshire and they are a treat regardless of the season.

Each season creates the perfect backdrop for visiting covered bridges.

Wherever you plan to visit in the state, there is probably at least one covered bridge nearby. To find the locations of covered bridges, call the NH Division of Travel & Tourism at 1-800-FUN-IN-NH or visit their Website (<http://www.visitnh.gov/covered-bridges.html>), then enjoy a stroll into yesteryear!

ADDONA:

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"It was a unanimous decision," a well informed source told The Record. "Everyone was in favour of Tony after Friday's interview. He was definitely the best candidate and the best choice for Bishop's."

Addona, who is bilingual, graduated from Springfield with a Bachelor of Science in 1976 and finished his Masters degree in 1982. These three factors were requirements for the job and put him in a class by himself.

"Tony has a really great educational background. A lot of it has to do with experience in that field," said a mem-

ber of the hiring committee. "Nobody was as well experienced in that field. Coming from Champlain, he already knows about Bishop's athletics and he has been involved with athletics all his career."

Sources also told The Record that during the two interviews Addona had, the focus was on implementing strength and conditioning programs for all sports, professional development for staff and continuing to have a strong link between the community and the university. If time permits, he will also aid various teams, especially football, with training camp activities and seminars or studying game film.

Many Bishop's athletes are hoping that Addona will also assist in the recruiting process to bring blue-chip prospects to the Gaiters teams.

"He said he would help out wherever he can, but I don't think he will be a 'coach, coach' per sae," sources said.

Inscribed on the wall of the athletes lounge adjacent to Addona's office in the Champlain administration building is a sign that very well can sum up the mission statement for the success of the Cougars sports programs.

"ATTITUDES ARE CONTAGIOUS. Is Yours Worth Catching?", reads the board that stands out almost as much as the photos of championship football teams from years gone by.

At Bishop's, after an exhaustive search and a two-month evaluation process, it seems as if Addona's contagious attitude was worth the most for the athletic department.

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AYER'S CLIFF ELEMENTARY

December was a very busy month around our school, as usual. All classes participated in the annual Christmas program. Kindergarten, Grade 1 and 2 presented their plays and songs on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 19. In the evening Grades 3-6 presented the play, Follow that Star, in which space travelers landed in King Herod's kingdom at the time of Christ's birth.

Youth Theatre presented the production Seven Ravens to our school. We also welcomed the Grade 5 and 6 students from the local French school - St. Barthelemy.

Students also organized the collection of food for Christmas baskets to be given to needy families.

Dec. 20 was the annual Christmas dinner. Teachers, support staff, parents, and organizations donated turkeys, food and money toward the dinner. A special thank you goes to our cook, Patricia Hartigan, and other volunteers who prepared the dinner.

The Grade 5 class is completing their animal projects. Each student has researched an animal from books and the Internet. They then wrote notes, a story - minimum 15 pages, poetry, fables tongue twister, etc. They each prepared a quiz in which 10 facts were presented about their animal and the other students had to guess what the animal was. See how good you are - try some of the quizzes.

*Dolphin
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jumping, swimming, playing
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smooth, fast
Bottle-nosed*

-Jessica Gemmell

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9. I can climb trees
10. I can poison someone 2 ways, by spitting and biting.

-Ian Fontaine

This year at Ayer's Cliff Elementary we had a project for Entrepreneurial initiatives. We chose two children from each class to help with the project. I was chosen to be coordinator

and help carry it out (for a total of 15 students).

I had to go to each class every day to ask how many children participated in the project and then I had to make a graph showing of how many children in the school participated. Five classes participated at 100 per cent and 94 per cent of the school participated. After the 15 of us collected all that we received from the children. Next we decided how to separate the food and who could benefit from the baskets. We put the food in categories and separated the food in different boxes to send to different places.

We sent the food to the Banque alimentaire Memphremagog, to Les cuisines collectives "Aux petits oignons" de Coaticook and Ayer's Cliff's churches. I enjoyed doing this project to know that I helped people.

ELENA CORBEIL
Grade 6 student

Mrs. Boyce's grade 6 class completed a unit on Ancient Egypt. They researched topics such as pharaohs (Ramses II, and Tutankhamun), daily life, farming, homes, hieroglyphs, gods, mummies, pyramids, and tombs. Each student collected information from a variety of sources, wrote a report, made a model, and presented their topic to the class. After all presentations were given, the students viewed slides of a visit to Egypt, taken by our grade one teacher Mrs. Letourneau. Many comments and questions arose when pictures of the pyramids and paintings were shown. Exploring ancient Egyptian civilization kept the students' interest throughout and has given them a little window into our world's history.



Robert Rogér Burrows brought his pet ferret to visit the school.



Cedric Goodsell, Martha MacKinnon (Mary), and Mathieu Brochu (Joseph) in the Kindergarten presentation of the nativity



Talented Ayer's Cliff girls Elizabeth and Rosemary MacKinnon performing for their classmates.



Angels Marie Pier Sage and Rachel Goyette descending from heaven.



Ricky Beaudoin (King Herod) and his councillors in the Grade 3-6 Christmas presentation of Follow that Star.

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Tune of Addona's hiring sweet music to athletes

By Arash Madani

SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

It doesn't take much looking around to find people who are well aware as to what Tony Addona can give to a post-secondary athletic department.

With the hiring of the long-time Champlain coach and administrator as the Bishop's University's new athletic director, many former Cougars, who were student-athletes at the CEGEP that shares the campus with Bishop's, are pleased to hear that the Springfield College graduate will be the head of the B.U. sports department.

"He did a good job at Champlain, and if you had trouble with anything — a course change, any kind of problem, really — you'd go to Tony for all of that stuff," said Heather Dezan, a graduate of Champlain (spring, 2001), who is now a forward on the Gaiters women's basketball team.

"Tony was really resourceful at Champlain. He was a coach and director and an academic advisor as well. He was really involved, and I know the experience at Champlain will help him a lot (at Bishop's)."

Former Cougars now at Bishop's are involved in football, men's basketball and women's basketball — the same trio that headline the Champlain sports program.

"It's somewhat of a similar position

with a similar sports structure and using the same facilities," added Dezan. "You're dealing with a school with a football and two basketball teams, so he's used to it for sure."

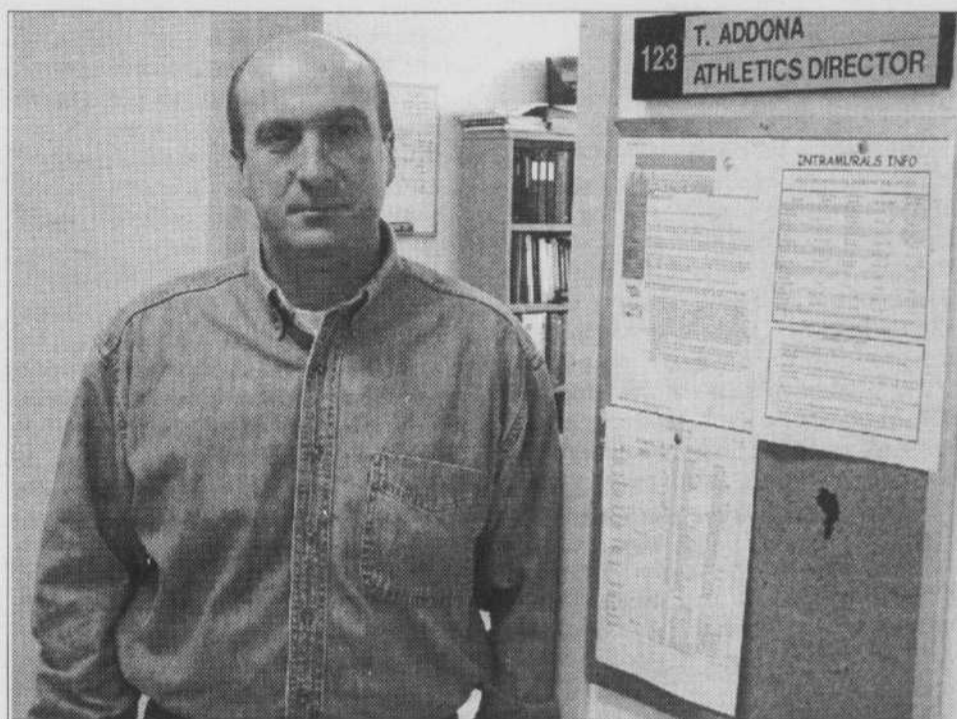
Addona's track record with the Cougars is impressive, and the long line of title runs he had with Champlain is second-to-none in the Quebec collegiate football ranks. Many of his players have moved on to play at the Division I and Division II ranks in the U.S., while a large chunk has advanced to the next level and competed in the Canadian university grid leagues.

Two main products — Tom Nutten and Scott Regimbald — took it one step further. Nutten is a starter with the NFL's St. Louis Rams, winning a Super Bowl ring in January, 2000.

Meanwhile, Regimbald, who captured three Bol d'Or titles during his stint with the Cougars, has been a starting tight end with the Calgary Stampeders the last two seasons, capturing a Grey Cup in November.

"He's a great coach, a great player-coach," said Martin Deschamps, now a starting defensive end with the Gaiters football squad and a member of the Bol D'Or team of 1995.

"He's close to his players, he knows how to talk and he's close to the community in Lennoxville. Tony will definitely help with



ARASH MADANI/SPECIAL

Tony Addona, who is to be named new Bishop's athletic director, comes to the university with an impressive track record, including a long line of title runs with the Cougars football team.

recruiting, and that is needed. He will give us a good hand with recruiting and we need new things in place to bring rookies in all of our sports."

Throughout the province, and various pockets throughout the nation, Addona's name is synonymous with success.

"He's respected by so many people," says Joe Fortin, now a defensive tackle with Bishop's and a definite pre-season All-Conference candidate in 2002.

"Tony's well renowned and he's made his name everywhere. He's practically achieved everything he's wanted to achieve, and no matter what he does, he sets high standards.

"When he comes, the (Bishop's athletics) program is going to change completely. And he will be everywhere. With him, it's going to be really, really good."

Known as a tenacious recruiter, one hope is that Addona will create a smoother pipeline of having blue-chip Champlain athletes decide to play at Bishop's once their college days are over.

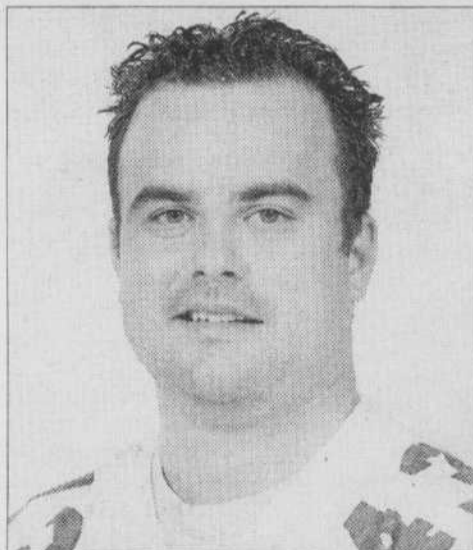
"Oh yeah, he knows the town, knows the CEGEP's, knows how to recruit, how to talk to people, everything," said Deschamps. "I think with him here, it's going to bring more people to come here. Plus, he will bring a new thinking, a new philosophy to Bishop's.

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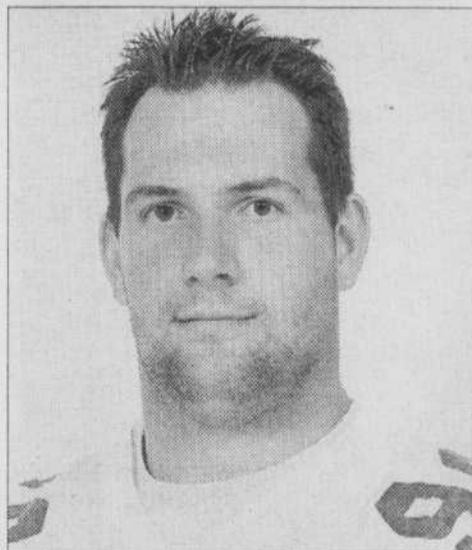
GAITERS PLAYERS' REACTIONS



Heather Dezan: "If you had trouble with anything ... you'd go to Tony for all of that stuff."



Martin Deschamps: "He's a great coach, a great player-coach."



Joe Fortin: "When he comes, the program is going to change completely."

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SPORTS NOTEBOOK

Gaiters luncheon Club meets today

Local sports fans and members of the media are invited to attend the Gaiter Luncheon Club at noon today in the Principal's Dining Room.

Head basketball coaches Rod Gilpin and Eddie Pomykala, as well as selected players, will give fans an opportunity to discuss the upcoming opponent and talk shop with the Gaiters.

The coaches will also talk about last weekend's sweep of the Concordia Stingers. The Gaiters hope to extend their winning streak tonight when they battle the McGill Redmen in Montreal at 6 and 8 and they are home to the Laval Rouge et Or Saturday Jan. 19 at 6 and 8.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Eric Stevenson who is recuperating from a snow boarding accident from the Gaiters' basketball teams.

Hurricanes ship Ozolinsh to Panthers

The Florida Panthers acquired all-star defenceman Sandis Ozolinsh from the Carolina Hurricanes in multi-player deal Wednesday

According to league sources, in addition to Ozolinsh, the Panthers also acquired winger Byron Ritchie, while sending to the Hurricanes centre Kevyn Adams, defenceman Bret Hedican and prospect Tomas Malec.

In the deal, Carolina rid itself of Ozolinsh's salary, which is \$5 million this season, then \$5.5 million for the next three years, although the Hurricanes agreed to pay \$1 million of it this season and next.

Kamensky traded to the Devils

The Dallas Stars traded veteran winger Valeri Kamensky to the New Jersey Devils on Wednesday in exchange for defenceman Andre Lakos and future considerations.

Kamensky, 35, joined the Stars as a free agent last July. He had three goals and six assists in 24 games this season.

Lakos, 22, was immediately assigned to the AHL's Utah Grizzlies. The six-foot-six Austrian had three assists and 24 penalty minutes in 36 games with the AHL's Albany River Rats.

On TV

THURSDAY

- **GOLF:** 3 p.m., PGA Bob Hope Chrysler Classic, second round, TSN
- **NHL:** 7 p.m., Ottawa Senators at Boston Bruins, Sportsnet; 7 p.m. Montreal Canadiens at Carolina Hurricanes, RDS
- **TENNIS:** 11 p.m., Australian Open, Early Rounds, TSN

Around Town

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THURSDAY

- **ETIAC BASKETBALL:** Galt Pipers at Laruche (junior boys), 5:30 p.m.

UPCOMING

- **ETIAC HOCKEY:** Friday, BCS Crusaders at Galt Pipers, 4:30 p.m.
- **CIS BASKETBALL:** Saturday, Laval Rouge et Or at Bishop's Gaiters (women), 6 p.m.; (men) 8 p.m., at Mitchell Gymnasium
- **MIDGET AAA HOCKEY:** Saturday, Jonquière at Magog, Magog Arena, 2 p.m.

ETIAC does the right thing

There was a poignant picture in a newspaper Monday showing two female high school hockey players looking sadly into an empty arena. The girls were members of the Royal West hockey team whose season has apparently ended because of a work-to-rule policy adopted by Montreal-area teachers.

Athletes are not the only victims of the teachers' tactics. Plays, fundraising events, and class trips have all been put on hold and most will likely be cancelled.

Teachers throughout the province are upset with the government and rightfully so. Education Minister François Legault and the PQ government have stalled talks involving pay equity for teachers. Legault's stance is that teachers do not work a full week, counting only the time actually spent in the classroom.

Such a position is ridiculous!

As a part-time teacher I have been able to observe the extra work that the vast majority teachers put in on a daily basis. They serve hot breakfasts before school, tutor at lunchtime and supervise, coach or direct after-school activities.

That is the way it should be. Teaching is more than a job; it is a vocation that requires extra work beyond and above the classroom. Teachers do it year in, year out and should be compensated for their time, effort and expertise.

I can not think of an occupation that has a greater effect on the future of our society. Teachers, good and bad, have a tremendous impact on children during their developmental years.

That being said I must applaud the Eastern Town-

ships and other school boards that are not following the Montreal teachers in enacting work-to-rule tactics for two reasons.

The first is that extracurricular activities are a vital part of a student's school year. In many cases it is an opportunity to play a sport or participate in a club that provides the incentive for kids to go to school. In some cases it has helped turn a student's academic career in the right direction.

Students need healthy diversions and there are numerous lifestyle benefits that come from being a part of a school play, after-school project or trip and a sports team.

Secondly this is a tactic that was proven to be ineffective two years ago, the same way it was ineffective back in the 80s.

Teachers need our support but holding the students as hostage has no effect on the government. It hasn't worked before and it is not likely to work this time around. The decision makers in Quebec City, whose children often attend private schools, aren't upset when a child from Montreal or Knowlton is denied the right to play basketball or whose school trip is cancelled.

By continuing extracurricular activities the teachers at Richmond, Massey-Vanier and Galt have demonstrated a commitment to their profession and proven beyond any reasonable doubt that the provincial teachers deserve fair pay equity.

The public should strongly support the teachers' demands because it is right and there is too much at stake.

While that happens let the games continue.

FROM THE BLEACHERS

MIKE HICKEY

REACTION:

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Tom (Allen, the former athletic director who retired in December) obviously did a good job, but a new person brings new ideas and that is what we need."

Yet some former Cougars remain concerned that Addona's 'football-first' mentality - which they claimed was the call of the day at Champlain during his tenure there - would be a problem.

Not so, say others.

"Oh, I hope he emphasizes on all the sports," said Eric Donahue, a freshman forward on the Gaiters

men's basketball team.

Donahue was a member of the Cougars' lone provincial hoops championship team last spring, and is learning the ropes at the university level with the Gaiters.

"I think Tony will bring good changes to the school and will put an effort to make a lot of good overall changes," said Donahue.

Added Dezan: "Tony's just a great guy, you know. Part of it is just how he greets you. He always seems to be in a good mood and he's very approachable.

"I know that as a student and I'm sure it's the same for other adults and coaches. He was the only one I'd go to for problems with sports or school or academics."

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Snow, last 7 days (Cm): 25
Open Trails: 6/6

MONT GLEN
Snow, last 24hrs (Cm): 0
Snow, last 7 days (Cm): 42
Open Trails: 0/32
Lift Hours: N/A

MONT ORFORD
Snow, last 24hrs (Cm): 2
Snow, last 7 days (Cm): 42

Open Trails: 43/52
Lift Hours: 9 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.

MONTJOYE
Snow, last 24hrs (Cm): 7
Snow, last 7 days (Cm): 24
Open Trails: 18/20
Lift Hours: N/A

OWL'S HEAD
Snow, last 24hrs (Cm): 17
Snow, last 7 days (Cm): 24
Open Trails: 34/41
Lift Hours: N/A

SKI BROMONT
Snow, last 24hrs (Cm): 10
Snow, last 7 days (Cm): 16
Open Trails: 38/45
Lift Hours: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

SUTTON
Snow, last 24hrs (Cm): 8
Snow, last 7 days (Cm): 43
Open Trails: 53/53
Lift Hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

JAY PEAK (VERMONT)
Snow, last 24hrs (Cm): 7.5
Snow, last 7 days (Cm): N/A

Bury Women's Institute's November and December meetings

BURY

In November 2001, the Remembrance meeting was held at the home of Kay Olson, with Frances Goodwin as co-hostess. After the opening exercises, the president, Serena Wintle opened the meeting by thanking the hostesses and welcoming the members, which numbered eight.

The Motto was, "The past should be a springboard, not a hammock."

The Roll Call was a stamped card. (birthday, sympathy, get well, etc.)

A report was given of the County card party, held in Bury in October, which had been most successful.

Sandra Morrison reported that the Hallowe'en dinner at Pope Memorial School had gone well. The UNICEF money to be counted and rolled Nov. 7th.

The Remembrance Day wreath, the

cost shared with St. Paul's Guild, to be laid at the Cenotaph by the president.

Annual reports were given by all convenors present.

Generous donations were voted to the Sherbrooke Geriatric Foundation, the ALS society and St. Paul's Rest Home.

A thank you and gift to be sent to the cook at Pope Memorial for her help on the day of the Hallowe'en dinner, also a gift to be sent to one of our members who had suffered a loss in a fire recently.

The drawing, provided by Glad Parsons was won by Sandra Morrison.

Following adjournment of the meeting, a sale of jams, jellies, etc., was held, then lunch was served by the hostesses and a time of friendly chit-chat was enjoyed.

In December, the Christmas meeting

Open to everyone.

LENOXVILLE

Sunday, January 20, 4 p.m., 33rd Anniversary of the Word of Grace Broadcast. A Service of Evening Hymns and Songs will be held in St. George's Church, 84 Queen St., Lennoxville, in recognition of this special Anniversary. Light supper will follow in the Hall. Invitation to sing with the Choir-practice is Friday at 7 p.m. Warm welcome to all.

LENOXVILLE

Lennoxville-Ascot Historical and Museum Society meeting, 7:30 p.m., on January 21 at Uplands, 9 Speid Street. Show and Tell. Everyone welcome.

RICHMOND

Our first Legion brunch for 2002 will be on Sunday, January 20 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will continue every third week of each month. Looking forward to see you all again.

WATERVILLE

Waterville United Church - Advance notice of events: May 2, luncheon and bazaar; July 4, ice cream social; Sept. 20 & 21, rummage sale; November 7, luncheon & bazaar.

PHILIPSBURG

There will be a spaghetti supper at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 82 in Philipsburg on January 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. Donation. Everyone welcome.

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.

was held at the home of Glad Parsons in Cookshire, Serena Wintle was co-hostess.

There were eight members present including the president, Serena, who opened it in the usual manner expressing thanks to Glad for opening her home for the meeting.

The Motto was, "It is the way you spend Christmas that is far more important than how much you spend."

The Roll Call was, "Bring non perishable foods for AGRHS food basket and show your hand-made gifts and/or handicrafts. Both parts were well responded to, with a box full of foods and a variety of handicrafts."

The new slate of officers for 2002 was presented as follows:

President - Sandra Morrison,

1st Vice - Kay Olson,

2nd Vice - Glad Parsons,

Secretary - Muriel Fitzsimmons,

Treasurer - Hazel Kerr.

Convenors: Agriculture - Serena Wintle,

Citizenship and Legislation - Kay Olson,

Education - Sandra Morrison,

Home Economics and Health - Frances Goodwin,

International Affairs - Gladys Parsons,

Publicity - Nina Rowell,

Safety - Kay Olson,

Membership - Sue Schmidt,
Cards and Sunshine - Gladys Morrison.

Convenors reports were given by Kay Olson on caring for leftover seeds and local Christmas tree farming for Agriculture, News from Municipal council meetings for Citizenship, and about the possibility of used tire pick-up in May and discussion on possible purchase of a generator for safety.

Sandra brought new of the Christmas activities from P.M.E.S. for Education.

For Home Economics and Health, Frances read an article on managing stress and about a 1905 tradition.

For International Affairs, Glad stressed the importance of using ones own needles when visiting out of the country.

Nina Rowell read a poem, "Teaching Me" by the late Marge Montgomery, and Serena read, The Real Meaning of Christmas.

The drawing, furnished by Nina Rowell was won by Glad Parsons.

Glad also conducted a contest on Christmas Carols, with several winning prizes.

This was followed by delicious refreshment and a social time.

Season's Greeting were exchanged and the fabulous displays of Christmas lights were enjoyed on our way home.

Nina Rowell



WATERVILLE, HATLEY, NORTH HATLEY
Waterville, Hatley, North Hatley Pastoral Charge Sunday Worship Services on January 20: Waterville 5 p.m., Hatley 11 a.m., North Hatley 11 a.m.

RICHMOND

All are invited to Richmond Melbourne United Church for our 6th annual January Worship and Conversation Series from January 13 to February 3, 2002. This year our theme is "Youth in Action: Celebrating our links with the Global Community". The pastoral charge will meet for worship from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., followed by discussion 11 a.m. to noon. All are welcome.

WATERVILLE

Prayer for Christian Unity Service, St. John's, Waterville, January 23, 2002. 7:15 p.m. Our service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity for our region this year is hosted by St. John's, Waterville. This is always a special and Blessed event as we gather in Christian Unity. Please take note of the time and date, come, bring a friend, join in prayer together in both official languages, and share together in our different expressions of faith.

SHERBROOKE

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, 20 to 27 January, 2002: 'For with you is the fountain of life'. Bilingual, ecumenical celebration at Plymouth-Trinity United Church, 380 Dufferin, Sunday, January 20, 2:30 p.m. All welcome.

LENOXVILLE

Charlie Sayers Memorial Dart Tournament on Saturday, January 19 at the A.N.A.F. Unit 318 "The Hut", 300 St. Francis, Lennoxville. Mixed doubles. Registration: 1:30 p.m. Starts: 2 p.m. sharp.

Hatley Centre Branch of Q.W.I.

Members of the Hatley Centre branch of Q.W.I. met at the Community Centre, North Hatley on January 8, 2002 for lunch prior to the annual meeting at 1:30 p.m.

The motto was: Wisdom is knowing what to do with what you have.

The meeting was chaired by the president, Maureen Bean, and opened with the Collect said in unison.

The roll was answered with payment of dues.

The minutes were read by the secretary, Janet McLellan, and approved.

The treasurer, Helen Johnston, gave the financial report, also the annual audited financial statement.

Correspondence included Christmas greetings, letters of thanks for cheer and from the Connaught Home for clementines and for Christmas stockings filled by our branch for five residents there.

A letter regarding sponsors for Convention 2003, was received from Jean Furcall; also from the Gov. of Quebec regarding W.I. and the internet.

All Provincial and County obligations were paid and also Pennies for Friendship.

Agriculture Convenor: Helen reported that Angela Mastine had received a 4-

H Club award of Supreme Grand Champion Show Lady at the Royal Winter Fair.

Environment be sure that filters on water taps are kept clean.

Canadian Industries: Businesses reported that the 2001 holiday purchases were substantial.

Home Economics and Health - Maureen reported that heart disease differs in women and men, and that women are more at risk.

Publicity - Janet reported that our meetings have been published by the press.

Nominating Chairperson, Francoise Williams read the slate for 2002. Executive stays the same, changes in Convenors - International Affairs Convenor will be Francoise and Citizenship & Legislation, and Education will be reported by all members.

Community Club representative - Maureen.

The draw was won by Francoise. Members completed the Program for 2002 prior to adjournment.

Our next meeting will be held February 5, this is Sunshine month and the roll call is bring a card and stamp. Program - tell a joke.

All are welcome.

Janet McLellan.

Obituary

RICHARD ELWIN LOWRY
Thetford Mines, Que.
1914 - 2001

Richard Elwin Lowry passed away at the age of 87 and 5 months old at the CHUS Fleurimont, Sherbrooke, Que., on October 19th, 2001. Just 4 months after the passing of his late wife, Vivian.

Elwin Lowry was the son of the late Richard Lowry and his wife, the late Mary Mathers.

Elwin was born on May 5th, 1914. His childhood and early adult life was spent on his maternal grandparents farm, the Mathers' in Inverness, Que.

Elwin worked for the Pennington Mine in Robertsonville, Que., the Johnson Mine in Thetford Mines, Que., and also the Asbestos Corporation until his retirement in 1979.

On November 9th, 1938 he married Vivian Anita Henderson and they were married for close to 63 years. Of this union they had eight children: Rhoda (Claude Ouellette), Lennoxville, Que., Merlyn (the late Bob Smerdon) Ottawa, Ont., Elizabeth Joan who died in infancy, Brian (Jan Coviel) Thetford Mines, Que., the late Terry (Maureen Small) Aylmer, Que., Linda (Eric Robinson) Chateauguay, Que., Sheila (Germain Delisle) Thetford Mines, Que., Graydon (Brenda Trenfield) Thetford Mines, Que.

Visitations were held at Gamache & Nadeau Funeral Home on October 21st, 2001. As Elwin was a dedicated

member of The Independent Order of Oddfellows for 30 plus years, a service was held by the members of Thetford Mines, Leeds and Inverness Lodges.

Funeral service was held Monday, October 22nd, 2001 at St. John The Divine Church, Thetford Mines, Que. Rev. Rodney Clark officiated. The readings were read by Rufus Jameison and Peter Whitcomb. The Hymns Nearer my God to Thee, Safe in the Arms of Jesus and Rock of Ages were sung, played by Jack Visser.



The bearers were Raymond Dempsey, Roger Lowry, Wellard Wallace, Rae McCallum, Dale Nugent and Doug Robinson. Elwin leaves to mourn his loss, his six children, 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A graveside service and interment of ashes were held on November 25th, 2001 at Christ Church Cemetery, Lower Ireland, Que. Rev. Rodney Clark officiated.

One precious to our hearts has gone
A voice we love is stilled
The place made vacant in our home
Can never more be filled
Our Father in his wisdom called
The boon his loved has given
And though in earth the body lies
The soul is safe in Heaven.

Card of Thanks

AULIS - I am so very thankful to all my relatives and friends, for all the beautiful cards sent to me for my 95th birthday, January 3, 2002. Also all the phone calls which was so much appreciated, to Laura & Michel Laprise and Elaine McMillan for the lovely flowers, to all who sent gifts, my heart goes out to you. Cindy and Michel Pitre, Montreal, Pauline Reid, Alberta, Donna & Rick Petersen, Kelowna, B.C. also to Rev. Sister Mary Florence Lieu for her visit and lovely gift. God bless you. The Lord has been especially good to me all these years.
Sincerely, LUVIA LOCKE AULIS

COCKERLINE, John Elliott - The family of J. Elliott Cockerline would like to sincerely thank the relatives and friends for their support and encouragement at the time of his death. To all who visited the funeral home, to those who sent memorial donations, floral arrangements, and cards. Special thanks to the doctors and staff at the B.M.P. hospital during the month of November, the Dion funeral home, Rev. Malcolm Cogswell for officiating at the funeral service, Francis Jones for the music and the choir and the United Church ladies for refreshments following the funeral. Please consider this a personal thank you.

BESSIE (wife)

ROGER (Leslie), GLENN (Wendy),
CALVIN (Diane) (sons)
AUDREY (Martin) (daughter)
CYRIL (Jean) (step-son)
BARBARA (Keith) (step-daughter)

Deaths

GOYETTE, Irene - After a short illness at Aube-Lumiere, Sherbrooke, Monday, January 15, 2002, in her 87th year. Wife of the late Joseph Keeble. Dear mother of Arnold Bouldman (Lilli). Cherished grandmother of Elke, Karen, Christopher and five great-grandchildren. Irene will also be sadly missed by her sisters Evelyn and Eva, brother Leon, many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Resting at Cass Funeral Home, 545 Dufferin, Stanstead (819-876-5213) Wednesday, January 16th, 2002 from 2:00 - 4:00 and 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., where family and friends may come to visit. The service will be in the chapel Thursday, January 17th at 2:00 p.m. Reverend Lynda Harrison officiating. Spring interment in Lake Lester Cemetery. As a tribute to her memory, donations to the Lake Lester Cemetery Association (819-849-3889) would be greatly acknowledged by the family.

PARMELEE, Charles Eastman - Passed away peacefully in his sleep at the Wales Home in Richmond, Que., on Tuesday, January 15th, 2002, Mr. Charles E. Parmelee in his 85th year. Son of the late David H. Parmelee and the late Charlotte Eastman. Brother of the late David H. Parmelee and of Doris E. Parmelee. At his request, there will be no visitation. Cremation will be held at the Cass-Windsor Crematorium, 310 St-Georges St., Windsor, followed by a graveside service in the Danville Protestant Cemetery in the spring. Donations to the Wales Home Foundation, 506 Rte 243 N., Richmond, JOB 2H0, would be greatly appreciated by the family. The family would like to thank the nurses and staff of Norton 3, Mr. Rod MacIver and Dr. M. Nitka of the Wales Home, and also Rev. Howard Hawes for their kindness throughout this difficult time. Arrangements entrusted to Cass Funeral Homes Inc., 819-564-1750.

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

Thursday, Jan. 17, 2002

Another trip down the proboscis path

By Phillip Alder

Italo Calvino, an Italian author and critic, said in a lecture, "What Romantic terminology called genius or talent or inspiration is nothing other than finding the right road empirically, following one's nose, taking shortcuts."

Here is a deal — like yesterday's — in which the declarer smelled out the right line to make a contract. First, though, does West have a winning lead against six hearts?

North-South, Sabina Auken and Daniela von Arnim from Germany, use a strong-club system and open most 10-point hands. Two no-trump was game-forcing and guaranteed a club stopper. Three clubs revealed 1-4-5-3 or 1-5-4-3 shape. Four spades and five diamonds were control-bids (cue-bids) promising those aces.

West led a crafty club six. Von Arnim won with dummy's ace, cashed the spade ace, ruffed a spade in hand, played off her diamond ace, ruffed a diamond in the dummy, trumped another spade, ruffed a second diamond, cashed the club king, and ruffed a third spade. Everyone was down to four cards. Declarer had the ace-jack of hearts, the diamond jack and club 10. West held only hearts. And dummy retained the heart king, the spade jack, and two low clubs. Von Arnim led her diamond, overruffing West with dummy's heart king. Now came a club from the dummy. West was forced to ruff her partner's trick and lead away from the Q-9 of hearts into declarer's A-J.

That was wonderful play, but West could have defeated the contract by leading any trump, even the queen!

In China, two thirds of all males become smokers

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I have a question for you. Why do some restaurants and hotels all over the United States permit smoking on the premises? I was recently on vacation in Nevada, arrived late and didn't get to bed until well after midnight. I woke up at 4 a.m. coughing, nearly choking and gasping for air. I was in a room that was supposed to be "non-smoking," but apparently, the previous occupant paid no attention to the rules. The bedcovers, carpeting and draperies reeked of the stuff.

People who MUST smoke should take their cigarettes outdoors. They do not have the right to endanger the lives of others. If a person had a gun and threatened me with it, he could go to jail. So why don't they send smokers to jail when they threaten the lives of others? — Jackie in Fremont, Calif.

Dear Fremont: Even though smoking cigarettes is self-destructive, addictive and prohibited in many places, it is not against the law. There are many restaurants and hotels around the country that are smoke-free. If guests do not abide by the rules, it is up to the management to do something about it. I hope you complained and let them know what happened.

I do not have ashtrays in my home,

and anyone who is rude enough not to notice and proceeds to light up is told, "Sorry, I do not allow smoking in my home. If you are addicted to the point where you MUST have a cigarette, you will have to go outside." If this is viewed as being inhospitable, too bad; those are the rules, and I stick by them. I made up my mind when I was 15 years old that I would never smoke or drink. I have kept that pledge to myself, and it was one of the smartest decisions I ever made.

A study published in the British Medical Journal tracked the rising death toll in China, where two thirds of all males become smokers. Their findings were awesome. China is home to 20 percent of the world's population and consumes 30 percent of the world's cigarettes. The study found that 25 percent of all the deaths of Chinese people in Hong Kong in 1998, ages 35 to 69, were attributable to tobacco.

If those numbers don't make you want to kick the habit, what will it take?

Dear Ann Landers: This is in response to "Had It in New Jersey," whose husband puts his kids first in their marriage. They live with him three days a

week, although the custody agreement said every other weekend. Her husband also insisted they be included on all vacations. Ann, please tell "Had It" to run as fast as she can and never look back.

I, too, married a nice man with teenage children. I love kids and never would have imagined they could be so disrespectful and greedy. In "Joe's" divorce settlement, he agreed to share custody of the children along with paying child support and college tuition. When they were in college, they actually sued Joe for additional child support, even though he had paid plenty.

I know when you marry a divorced man, the stepchildren come with the package, but there is no reason they should tag along on every vacation. "Had It" should tell her husband that he is welcome to take the kids on vacation while she stays home and enjoys the solitude. — The Insignificant Other in Texas

Dear Texas: Stepparents should make every effort to get along with the stepchildren (and vice versa), but there is no reason to include them in everything. Married couples are entitled to take vacations without dragging the kids along. I hope "Had It's" husband sees this. He needs to get the message.

Adult Activity Day in Coaticook

We had our first get-together for 2002 on January 15, with about 35 people joining in the exercises. After we were all seated, Shirley Desruisseaux read a very interesting article, "A New Year, unspoiled and unsoiled. The New Year lies before us, 365 days of golden opportunities. We stand at the dividing of two streams, one called yesterday and the other tomorrow. We know every bend and every turn in the river of yesterday, but the river of tomorrow stretches out into an unknown future." We were pleased to have 3 more people to add to our group - Phyllis Pratt, Fernande Caron, and Jean Paul Caron. We welcome all of you.

As with many organizations we are low in funds, Shirley suggested a few days we could earn money to enable us to continue with door prizes and any ex-

tras we might need. Everyone thought her ideas were excellent.

Then it was time for our exercises, which were led by Jennifer MacKinnon, who is really a going concern! She put us through our paces for about half an hour. By this time we were ready for a break and a drink of water.

After our break Jennifer gave a very interesting talk on Canada's Food Guide to Healthy Eating. Each one of us was given a copy of the guide which lists the 4 main groups; namely, grain products, vegetables and fruits, milk products, and meat and alternatives. This guide could be put on the fridge so it could be checked when preparing meals.

When Jennifer's talk was finished we sat down to our dinner of soup, ham, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables and for dessert there was ice cream and

a birthday cake made by Marian McIntyre. The birthday celebrants for January are Beryl Cutler, Jean Naylor, Barbara Bellows and myself. Gerrit Van der Mark's birthday is in January also but he was flying back from Holland where he had spent the holidays. After pictures were taken, we blew out the candles and Marian cut the cake for everyone. Pat Hurley was at the piano while the rest of the group sang the birthday song to us. We all enjoyed getting together again and catching up on all the news. Our next meeting will be Feb. 5. We would be pleased to welcome anyone who would like to join us for exercises, an interesting speaker, and a delicious meal. We meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Isabelle Echenberg

Bury United Cultural Center Christmas Party

On Saturday evening, December 1st, the annual Christmas party and program was held in the MacKenzie Hall at the Bury Cultural Center. There was a good attendance of both adults and children.

The hall looked very festive with its Christmas decorations, complete with lighted tree and the tables centered with a lighted candle.

With Mrs. Lillian Coates as organist,

the program began with the singing of many favourite Christmas carols and songs, with the children sitting on stage and step, surrounding Peter Murray who also accompanied them on his guitar. One special feature of the program was two songs by Michael Main who accompanied himself on his guitar, and another was a story by story teller Mrs. Ann Rothfels.

And of course the highlight of the

evening was the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus, who with their bag of goodies treated the children and some grown ups as they were called to come up and sit on his knee. Refreshments included an assortment of cookies, beverages and juice, bringing a pleasant evening to a close.

Nina Rowell

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 C

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GDOOLTZMFWP
'FGW CZWMF MZDFPF DP
FGW PDNOJDBDWZ.' -
GWYZD BZWRWZDT MNDWJ

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "Out of every fruition of success, no matter what, comes forth something to make a new effort necessary." - Walt Whitman

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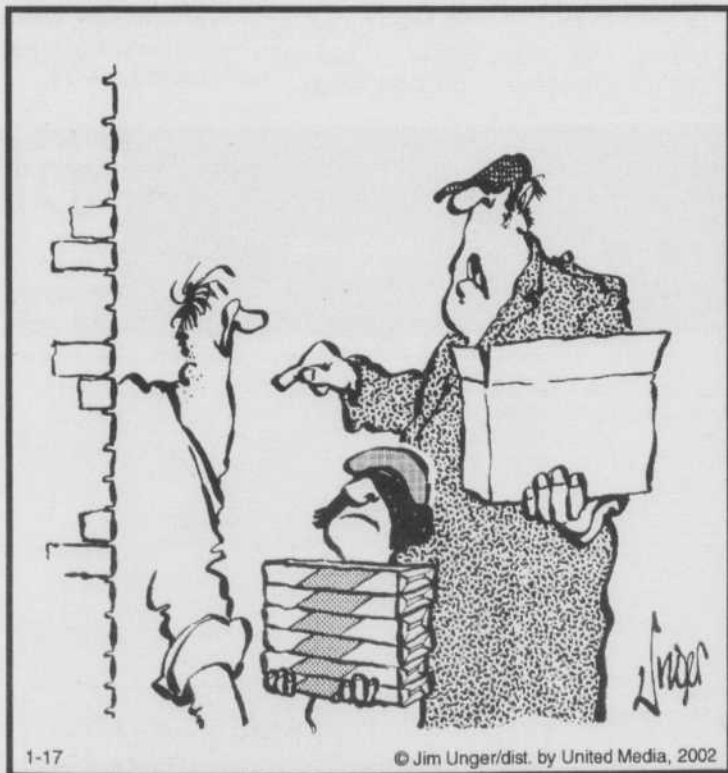


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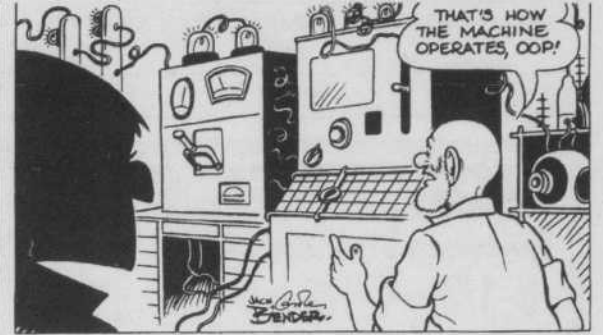
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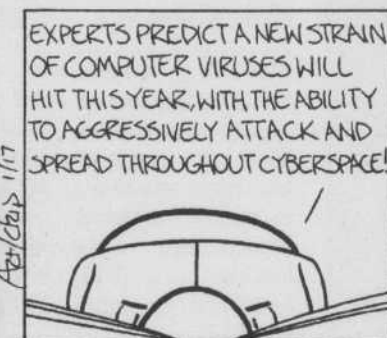
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News from Sutton Tania de la Mare

Melanie and Alain Tardif entertained at their home on Sunday, January 6th, 2002 for Grandmother Ola Carr on her 90th birthday

(Jan. 8th). There were four generations present. Brunch was enjoyed by 26 family members and a few close friends in the pleasant home where the

Carrs had lived for many years. A table centerpiece of miniature white orchids and rose buds on a dark green tablecloth was beautiful and a gift from sis-

ter-in-law Shirley Dyer. The birthday lady had requested no gifts but happily received the flowers as well as a matching corsage from her husband of 62 years, Cecil Carr.

He also supplied a delicious "Opera" birthday cake made at the Abercorn Bakery. To help celebrate were Anita & Don McFeeters of Chillicothe, Ohio and their daughter Maryam Samandari from Burlington, Vt., Cathryn & Vincent Royea, Colin & Heather Davidson and children, Tania, Jordan & Samantha, Winona Gibbon and Fiona Gibbon Taillefer of Hudson and Beaconsfield, Leon & Bev Dyer of Ayer's Cliff, Violet & Fred Knights, Norma Sherrer, Kathy Edgar, Josie Jones, Dennis & Shirley Cowan and Host & Hostess, Melanie & Alain and son Johnathan. It was a happy day of visiting and reminiscing. Ola & Cecil wish to thank daughters, granddaughters and all the family for a beautiful and memorable day.

Your Birthday

Thursday, Jan. 17, 2002

You will get the opportunity in the year ahead to disengage yourself from a situation that has restricted your forward progress. Success is probable once the burden is lifted.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Let go of an old grudge you've been nursing. Continuing to be vindictive only serves to create greater dissension. For your own peace of mind, turn the other cheek.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) - Restrict your spending to needs instead of wants and you'll avoid getting involved today in a nonessential activity that would cost you more than you can afford.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) - There are always two ways of doing things: the right way and the hard way. Keep this in mind, because today you could end up with disappointing results if you choose the latter.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) - Profit from the past today instead of letting things continually penalize you. If you can't recognize the errors of your ways, you can't correct your handling of similar situations.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) - Keep your nose clean today and don't let anybody draw you into his or her troubled waters. No matter what's going down, resist the urge to get entangled in the mess.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - A vengeful adversary could have constructed an obstacle that you may have to contend with today. Instead of trying to scale it, backtrack and find another route.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) - Rarely are we able to convert another to our way of doing things, so don't waste your breath, time or energy trying to do so today. The resistance could be greater than you think.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Have your guard up today, because someone who lacks the credentials to do so might try

to wield power over you in order to accomplish a selfish purpose at your expense.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is not the day to attempt to resolve a volatile domestic issue that pops up from time to time. All it would accomplish is to add more ammunition to the skirmish.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) - Remember, no one is perfect, including you. So if a co-worker inadvertently creates extra work for you today through his or her errors, be understanding and forgiving.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) - Think carefully today before you put more money into something in which you're presently involved that continues to require more and more resources to keep afloat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) - If it requires doing something that would inconvenience others in order to facilitate your interests, it's best you don't do so. They may accommodate you, but with payback in mind.

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- 6 Muse of poets
- 11 Inc. in London
- 14 "As You Like It" forest
- 15 Region on the Nile
- 16 Meadow mom
- 17 Uneven odds
- 19 Card game
- 20 Smartened (up)
- 21 Rulers of Russia
- 23 More nervous
- 27 Decorative bars
- 28 Traitorous trader
- 32 Legendary chalice
- 33 "Saturday Night Live," e.g.
- 34 Cribbage marker

- 37 Pretensions
- 38 Earn
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- 40 Cool!
- 41 Foundation
- 42 News services
- 43 Fragile framework
- 45 Scribble
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- 50 Reside
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- 54 Poker provoker
- 60 Went before
- 61 WWII submarine
- 62 Having sufficient space
- 63 Culbertson of bridge
- 64 Has trouble with esses
- 65 Beethoven's "Fur __"

- 25 Watchman
- 26 Stately bird
- 27 Oversupply
- 29 Gown or sack
- 30 Creepy
- 31 Dispatch boat
- 34 Ballplayer Guerrero
- 35 Omit in pronunciation
- 36 Tumbler
- 38 Sledgehammer
- 39 Slangy okay
- 41 "...like a __ of jelly"
- 42 Doug of "The Virginian"

- 43 Computer of "2001..."
- 44 Dropped
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- 46 Fisherman's basket
- 47 Rambunctious
- 50 Performing couples
- 51 Envelop
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- 55 Kimono sash
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Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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- 2 Gallery filler
- 3 Vitamin fig.
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- 5 Dip for a quill
- 6 Tips
- 7 Boorish
- 8 Tucked in for the night
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Advent and Christmas observances at St. Paul's Church

BURY

Among the Advent and Christmas observances which took place at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Bury was first of all an Advent Pilgrimage Carol Service which took place on Sunday evening, December 2nd. It was a beautiful service with a full choir carrying lighted candles as they processed up and down the aisles, stopping at first the West Stained Glass windows, then the North Stained Glass windows, to the South Stained Glass windows, to the chancel and lastly to the East Stained Glass windows. The carols were interspersed by Bible readings by various members of Eaton Dudswell Victoria Parish.

On Sunday afternoon, December 16th the adult pageant, Love Came Down at Christmas was presented by Eaton/Dudswell/Victoria Parish Council and was thoroughly loved by the large congregation who attended. Although the cast had not had the opportunity to hold a lot of practises, and even the place was changed near the end, it was quite apparent they were enjoying their parts. Readings and performing were alternated by many beautiful carols. Scene 1 began with, The Fall of Humanity; Adam and Eve, Scene 2, The Promise to Abraham, Scene 3, Joseph the Dreamer, Scene 4, Moses and the Hebrews, Scene 5, King David and the Shepherd Boy, Scene 6, Prophet Isaiah, Scene 7, Prophet Jeremiah, Scene 8, The Annunciation to Mary, Scene 9 Joseph the Fiancé of Mary, Scene 10, Love of God Unfolds the Birth of Jesus, Scene 11, Shepherd in the Fields. The Offertory Carol was, Joy to the World and the Recessional Carol, Go Tell It On The Mountain brought a fulfilling afternoon

to a close. Ben Hodge of Cookshire expressed thanks and appreciation to Sister Mary Florence for all the work and preparations she had put into organizing the pageant, on behalf of the congregation and Parish. The organist, Lillian Coates was presented with a basket of fruit and goodies from St. Paul's Guild for the many hours she had spent playing. One cannot overlook the costumes, the real live baby, in fact there were two, as the first one had an upset stomach and was replaced, and also a real live alpaca.

On Thursday evening, December 20th a traditional carols and lesson service was held, and on Sunday, December 23rd, the Sunday School presented their pageant, Kings and Angels, Journeys and Dreams, which exceptionally well done by the cast of young people, led by Sunday school Superintendent, Mary Sylvester. Several well loved carols added to the serenity of the service. At the close of the program, gifts and treats were presented to the children.

At 9:00 p.m., on Christmas Eve, the solemn service of Holy Eucharist was held with a large congregation of parishioners and visitors.

The last Advent candle was lighted, the white one, which represents Jesus, the center of the wreath, just as Jesus is the center of our lives, Happy Birthday Jesus.

The pionsettias were given by St. Paul's Guild and A.C.W. in loving memory of departed members and the flowers on the altar were given by the Rowells, in loving memory of their youngest son, Robin.

Nina Rowell

Plymouth-Trinity U.C.W.

The hall at Plymouth-Trinity looked very festive indeed with tables so nicely set up and decorated - extra candles added to the holiday spirit. This was all due to the work of Irene Matheson and Polly Broadbelt. The buffet table was laden with all kinds of main courses and desserts. This pot luck supper was enjoyed by nineteen ladies and three kitchen gentlemen who later did the dishes while we moved into the parlor to have our meeting.

Having the dishes done for us was a real treat. Thanks again.

The meeting opened by all repeating the U.C.W. Purpose and Thelma read appropriate Christmas items. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with one correction. Thelma then gave a very satisfying financial report.

Irene reported 67 visits had been made twenty Christmas boxes were packed and some delivered immediately. There was no report from the corresponding secretary.

Due to our healthy bank balance we were able to increase our givings to the

Church's General Fund and a sizable donation to the building fund, as well as our usual yearly donations to the John Milton Society, United Theological College, the Dixville Home, the Sherbrooke Elementary School, Alexander Galt, Clinic - Mission and Service Fund. Ruth Atto presented the Nominations Report. The executive remain the same as before except for the position of corresponding secretary. Hazel Innes will replace Alice Planidin who has served in that capacity for many years.

New names were drawn for Secret Pals.

An excellent skit was presented by Rev. Jane Aikman and the president, Thelma Philbrick on the Lord's Prayer. Then it was time to find out who our Secret Pals of the past year were - with the distribution of gifts. Ruth Atto told a few delightful stories. Chocolates sent from Winnipeg by Janet McBurney were enjoyed throughout the evening. Thus ended a very pleasant evening.

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