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Quebec wildfires: Evacuations ordered in western Quebec city of Val d'Or

By Jacob Serebrin
 The Canadian Press

Residents of three rural areas of Val-d'Or, Que., in the province's northwest, have been ordered to evacuate because of an encroaching wildfire.

The city says a fire burning in the area is once again out of control.

Residents of the three sectors were told to leave by 7 p.m. Tuesday.

The evacuations are the first in Quebec since residents of the northern city of Lebel-sur-Quevillon were allowed to return home Sunday after they had been forced out for two weeks.

Officials in Val-d'Or say the city's urban area is not threatened by the fire.

Quebec's forest fire prevention agency said earlier in the day that there

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Ripplecove Inn developer and Ayer's Cliff mayor butt heads at public consultation over proposed planning rules



JACK WILSON

By Jack Wilson

Ayer's Cliff residents met June 19 for a public consultation about two proposed planning bylaws, one of which would change the building permit regime for the controversial

Ripplecove Inn development. If passed, that bylaw would require the inn and future nearby developments to submit a complete development vision before receiving building permits, rather than seeking them piecemeal. Close to 40 members of the public attended

the meeting, including Ripplecove Inn owner Richard Laliberté.

The other proposed bylaw would largely clarify existing rules and remove height limits for individual floors. That change won't amend total

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HAND IN HAND

Dunham House is expanding



At the end of July, Dunham House will open its new \$2 million residence that will increase its capacity from 28 residential places to 40. If you did not know, Dunham House is a residential treatment centre located in Dunham for people with mental health issues and concurrent disorders including addiction; it is also the only residential facility of its kind in Quebec that operates its programs in English and as such is a critical resource for the English-speaking mental health community in Quebec.

Care for those who suffer with mental health issues is hard enough in all cases, but when the facility operates in another language from your own, the task is all but impossible. This was the experience of Dunham House founder and president Dan Colson who could not find a suitable place for a member of his own family. Little did he know how long and hard this journey would be as he worked to start a facility himself.

A major barrier was the classic "not in my backyard syndrome" For several years, trying to find a location for a new residence was blocked by communities that were fearful of having people with mental health issues as neighbours. Most people would have given up. But Colson did not. Finally, by accident an ideal place appeared, and Dunham House opened on 84 beautiful acres in Dunham in 2017 with 28 beds. The site had previously been owned and operated by the Catholic Church, which used it for various purposes including summer camps and choir schooling. Unable to



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continue themselves, the Church saw in Colson's vision an ideal match of their idea of a community purpose and sold the property to Dunham House, a registered Canadian charity.

Colson and his team raised the \$1.5 million required to renovate the property and to hire staff. Within a couple of years, it was clear there was not enough capacity at Dunham House to meet the demand; approximately 90 per cent of the residents come from the Montreal area with the balance mainly from the Eastern Townships. Planning for an expansion began in 2020 and the \$2 million required to add another building to provide more accommodation was successfully raised by Colson over the next two years.

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suffering? COVID has been a terrible source of stress and has greatly increased the demand for help. Mental health issues are not "Out There." They are part of all of our lives now.

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Want to learn more? Here is the website <https://www.dunhamhouse.ca/>

Submitted by Robert Paterson



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Ben by Daniel Shelton



Local News

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Ripplecove Inn developer

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height limits but will allow higher interior ceilings. "All that interests us is the overall height," Mayor Simon Roy said.

Since acquiring Ripplecove Inn in 2017, Laliberté has poured millions into developing the luxury lakeside property. Some Ayer's Cliff locals have met his development with opposition, criticizing the cutting down of trees and the densification of the area.

For his part, Laliberté has accused the city council of obstructing the plans and targeting him specifically. Laliberté attended a June 5 council meeting, in which he dominated the question period, criticizing the municipality for not "collaborating" with his development.

This meeting was no different, with Laliberté speaking far more than any other member of the public. He called the proposed bylaw changes "discriminatory," for targeting his development. Several speakers agreed that the town was treating Laliberté unfairly, while the town, and especially Roy, argued it had no axe to grind with the developer. Others said they supported the proposal and many among them expressed opposition and confusion around Laliberté's plans.

Under the current regime, building permits pass first through Urban Inspector Marie-Andrée Gosselin's office, where she checks whether they conform with the town's bylaws.

Next, an advisory committee decides whether the request benefits the town and passes its recommendation to council, which can approve or refuse the proposal. That system will stay in place, Gosselin said, but will now require commercial buildings in zone "Rec-5" to submit an overall plan for consideration.

Laliberté said he couldn't present an overall plan due to shifting economic conditions. "When you ask me to determine the number of units we'll offer, it's completely discriminatory," he said.

Gosselin said the change "recognizes the distinctive character of that zone." Ripplecove Inn is the sole commercial property in the zone, meaning the change will only apply to it. Still, Gosselin said the plan would also affect future developments in the

zone. "We can't predict what will be there," she said. The proposal won't apply to surrounding lakeside zones, as they don't allow for commercial development, Roy said.

Laliberté said he couldn't present an overall plan due to shifting economic conditions. "When you ask me to determine the number of units we'll offer, it's completely discriminatory," he said. "We can't know that." He gave current labour shortages as an example of an unforeseen circumstance. "It's hard to ask us today what we'll do in three years."

Among Laliberté's supporters, many focussed on the fact that the change only affects his property, while others questioned why council was threatening a plan it had previously approved. Additional zoning requests had been made since the initial approval, Roy replied.

Though far less vocal than Laliberté, other residents complimented the council for the initiative. "I completely agree with the two proposed projects," one person said. "It will permit development in zone Rec-5, while respecting the zones around it, the lake, the municipality, the environment," she said, as well as preserving a quality of life encouraging people to visit and live in Ayer's Cliff. Several participants applauded the comment.

To Laliberté's view that he couldn't predict future economic conditions, a

participant asked if that meant he'd build 2,000 units if it were economically favourable. Roy cut off that line of questioning, saying the meeting wasn't to gauge opinions on Ripplecove, but on the tabled bylaws.

Though the proposed change would ask Laliberté for an overall plan, council would not divulge proposals to the public, Roy said.

"I think that [the plans] should be public because I think Ripplecove's neighbours have suffered a lot over the last years and I think it's time that they see where it's going," a participant said. With council promising to keep the plans private, she asked Laliberté whether he'd release his plans. "I think it would be respectful for your neighbours," she said.

"I don't think that's beneficial," Laliberté replied, "because there's always something that doesn't work. If I want to plant a chène (oak), someone will tell me 'no, you need to plant a maple,'" he said. Some participants laughed.

The meeting was tense, with residents talking over each other and the mayor intervening several times. "It's expected that there will be disagreements but we're trying to reach a consensus," Roy said. He said he wanted to put constructive rules in place, as he doesn't plan to seek a second term. "In just over two years, I won't be in this chair," Roy said.

Quebec wildfires

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were more than 100 forest fires burning in the province, but that only 17 were considered out of control. It has said this year's wildfire season is the worst on record.

Meanwhile, the province's natural resources minister said Tuesday that many Quebecers may have to celebrate the province's Fete nationale holiday this weekend without fireworks.

Maite Blanchette Vezina said that a ban on outdoor fires-in effect across most of the province north of the St. Lawrence River-includes fireworks.

"It's important to understand that it would be sad and harmful if fireworks set off other fires that could get out of control," she told reporters in Quebec City.

The province's national holiday, also known as St-Jean-Baptiste Day, is on June 24 and often celebrated with fireworks and bonfires.

Blanchette Vezina asked the public-as well as municipalities organizing Fete nationale or Canada Day celebrations-to be prudent.

"The last thing we want is for the celebrations to contribute to worsening the forest fire situation in Quebec," she said.

In Lebel-sur-Quevillon, Mayor Guy Lafreniere described smoky conditions as "intense" and said people should protect themselves with N95 masks.

"For citizens who have health conditions that could be aggravated by the presence of smoke, it is strongly recommended to wear an N95 mask and, if it's possible for you, to go somewhere where there may be less smoke," he said Tuesday in a video posted on the town's Facebook page.

Residents of the town should be prepared to leave again if the wildfire situation worsens, Lafreniere said.

A large fire near the community was moving toward the main road that connects the city to southern Quebec, Lafreniere said, adding that firefighters hoped a river would act as a natural firebreak and prevent

the blaze from reaching the road. But he said the situation was concerning because no rain was expected before the weekend.

Peter Kimbell, a warning preparedness meteorologist at Environment Canada, said the smog in northwestern Quebec is being caused by wildfires. The area has received significantly less precipitation this month than have other parts of the province, he added.

"It will absolutely take rain to help the forest firefighters," he said. "It's the only way, it's really the rain that

will make a difference in our case."

Environment Canada has issued a smog warning for the city and for the neighbouring Abitibi-Temiscamingue region, which includes Val-d'Or.

Peter Kimbell, a warning preparedness meteorologist at Environment Canada, said the smog in northwestern Quebec is being caused by wildfires. The area has received significantly less precipitation this month than have other parts of the province, he added.

For comparison, he said, Sherbrooke, Que., in the Eastern Townships, has received close to 100 millimetres of rain this month, while Val-d'Or has received four millimetres.

"It's very dry up there and, therefore, any lightning activity could definitely trigger more fires," he said.

Significant rain may come next week, Kimbell said, though scattered thunderstorms were in the forecast for the weekend in parts of the region.

EDITORIAL

This institution was also where, the “one recorded prosecution for the abuse of Residential School students in Manitoba” occurred.

Canada's \$2.8 billion settlement with Indigenous Day Scholars is a long time coming

By Jackson Pind
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Eleven years. That's how long it took the federal government to agree with 325 First Nations over the collective loss of language and culture suffered by Day Scholars in the Residential School system in Canada that existed between the mid 1800s until 1996.

Day scholars attended a Residential School during the day but didn't sleep there overnight.

While Day Scholars settled an individual compensation package for just \$10,000 each earlier in 2022, this new agreement is specifically aimed at rectifying the systematic and forced removal of language and culture through these institutions.

Left out of original agreement

In 2012, members of the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc and shíshálh Nation led by Shane Gottfriedson and Garry Feschuk launched a national class-action lawsuit for Day Scholars who were left out of the original Indian Residential School (IRS) Settlement Agreement (2006).

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission had already determined that abuse was suffered by students who were forced to attend Residential Schools at night, but nearby public schools during the day.

In “The Survivors Speak” section of the report, Emily Kematch who attended the Residential School in Dauphin, Man., which operated under this Day Scholars model at the time explained:

“It wasn't a good experience. 'Cause this was my first time too, going to the white system with the white kids and we weren't treated very well there. We got called down quite a bit. They use to call us squ-ws and neechies, and dirty

Indian, you know. They'd drive by in their cars and say awful things to us. Even the girls didn't associate with us, the white girls, they didn't associate with us.”

This institution was also where, the “one recorded prosecution for the abuse of Residential School students in Manitoba” occurred. The TRC noted: “In 2005, Ernest Constant who had attended the Dauphin school in the early 1960s and worked there in the late 1960s as a supervisor was convicted of indecently assaulting seven Dauphin students.” Day Scholars experienced similar types of abuse as people whose experiences were included under earlier agreements, but it has taken over 16 years to receive some form of justice.

Decade-long court battles

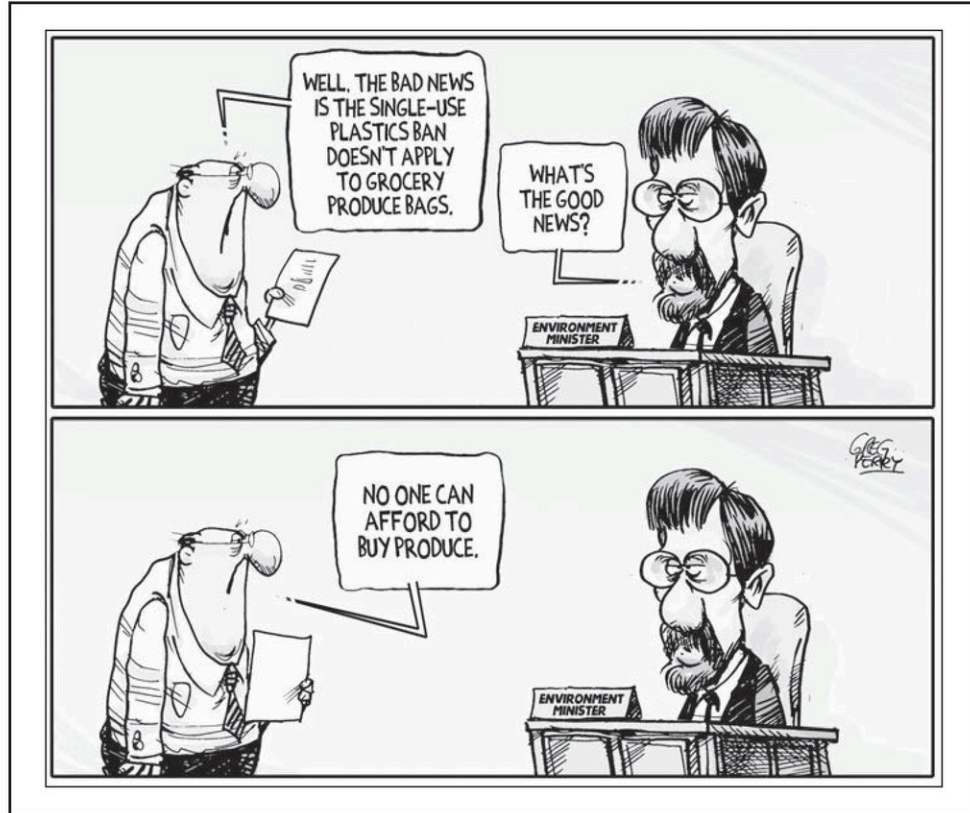
Each one of the subsequent class-action settlement agreements has taken roughly a decade to unfold through the legal process:

- Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement (1990s ca.-2006);
- Indian Day School Settlement Agreement (2009-2019);
- and now the Indian Residential School Day Scholars Agreement (2012-2023).

Together these agreements represent the largest reparations paid to Indigenous people as a direct result of colonialism. However, each agreement has been earned through the dedication of survivors to fight these battles through court, not the generosity of the Canadian state.

325 First Nations

Unlike the previous two agreements, this agreement finally allows for all 325 First Nations to decide themselves how the funding will revitalize their language and culture independently of



the government.

Direct ownership of the funding will not funnel through law firms, or government bodies, but rather through the First Nations themselves. If officially settled at the end of February, communities will be provided an initial \$200,000 followed by sustained payments over the course of the next two decades to support this revitalization through the hiring of staff, creation of learning centres or in any other way they see fit.

While this provides an opportunity to protect critically endangered languages, it only provides a small one-time compensation payment of \$10,000 for eligible members.

Last January, these one-time-payments were opened, but the Gottfriedson class-action continued to fight for a separate band of funding for language revitalization efforts which was announced last week.

Defining moment

On one hand, this prevents the revictimization of students who suffered through the Indian Residential School Settlement Independent Assessment Process. But on the other, it does not provide greater compensation to those who suffered the most.

This agreement also signals a defining moment for the Trudeau government to settle all outstanding claims against the Canadian state. The agreement's wording suggests that the government will be “Fully, finally and forever” released from collective harms suffered in Residential Schools.

It is not immediately clear if that same condition also falls on the churches in Canada who operated the schools and perpetuated the loss

of culture and language along with other horrendous abuses. Last summer, The Canadian Press reported details of a 2015 agreement in which Canada agreed to “forever discharge” Catholic entities from their promise to raise \$25 million for Residential School survivors. The discharge happened after Catholic entities raised less than \$4 million.

In September 2021, in the wake of criticism, Canadian bishops pledged to raise \$30 million by January 2027. In Nov. 2022, APTN reported \$5.5 million has been raised to date and that the Canadian Catholic Church spent \$18.6 million on the papal visit.

Apologize for all colonial schooling

Former Prime Minister Stephen Harper's apology for Residential Schools in 2008 came before two of the three settlements against Canada.

With this settlement's ending of all outstanding agreements clause, it is crucial for the federal government to also apologize for all these types of schooling that damaged Indigenous languages.

Unfortunately, with this announcement there will also be a wave of Residential School denialism and criticism over the amount of money spent on this settlement.

For some perspective, Canada has committed over \$3 billion for the war in Ukraine which has so far lasted 11 months. It will be paying slightly less for the over 150 years of targeted colonization that devastated Indigenous communities and has left 75 per cent of Indigenous languages endangered in this country.

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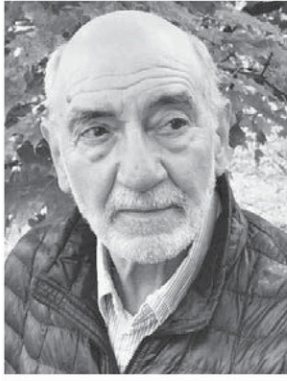
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Richmond's public piano



NICK FONDA



PHOTOS LAURENT FREY

Public pianos, available to be played by any musically inclined passing pedestrian, have been popping up in urban centres for a decade or so. Richmond now has one too, thanks to the local tourist bureau and the Corporation du Pays de l'ardoise (CPA) who are inviting one and all to its official inauguration on Thursday afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m. at René-Thibault Park on Richmond's Main Street.

"The piano was bought by the Town of Richmond," says Laurent Frey, who is Director General of the CPA, a non-profit organization whose primary mission is the revitalization of Main Street.

"It's protected from rain and sun by a box built by Jean Heppel," he continues, "and decorated by Les Filles d'ardoise, who are the visual artists Hélène Bouchard, Noel-ange Coderre, Madeleine Lemire, Paule Lévesque, and Béatrice Multhaupt. On Thursday, we'll have Roxane Beaulieu from the Centre d'Art de Richmond performing for the inauguration but otherwise it will be available to anyone who wants to play. The front of the piano box is hinged and easy to open to make the piano accessible."

"Many of our artists and artisans will be on hand," says Laurent, "and we'll have an open bar that will accept donations."

The boutique/art gallery offers a glimpse of the art being created in the

area. Along with the tourist bureau it serves as a showcase for the area and contributes to the revitalization of the town centre, an on-going project that sees it partnering with the municipality.

"We had 3,000 people come through the door last year," says Laurent, "and we're expecting even more this year."

"Because we're a tourist bureau," he explains, "we have to be open from May 15 to August 15, but in fact we opened in mid-April and closed after Thanksgiving in October. We also open for special occasions, like St. Pat's in March and the night-time Parade of Lights just before Christmas."

The CPA boutique, housed in a municipal building right next to the town's small urban park, features a wide variety of work by Townships artists and artisans including paintings, sculptures in wood, metal, and ceramic, artisanal creations, and even a few books by local authors.

It is well worth the visit if you stop by on Thursday afternoon for the inauguration of the public piano.



Richmond County Historical Society hosts Legacy of Hope Foundation exhibit: “Indian Day Schools in Canada: An Introduction”

By Matthew McCully

On Sunday, the Richmond County Historical Society (RCHS) launched a new exhibit provided by the Legacy of Hope Foundation, a national, Indigenous-led, charitable organization that has been working to promote healing and Reconciliation in Canada for more than 19 years. According to the organization’s website, LHF’s goal is to educate and raise awareness about the history and existing intergenerational impacts of the Residential School System (RSS)

and subsequent Sixties Scoop (SS) on Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit, and Métis) survivors, their descendants, and their communities to promote healing and reconciliation.

The exhibit “Indian Day Schools in Canada: An Introduction,” describing the colonization and assimilation practices of the Canadian government, will run at the museum, located at 1161 Route 243, Melbourne during opening hours (Wednesday to Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 5p.m.) until Aug. 26, 2023.

A special ‘Opening Event’ to

highlight the exhibit will take place July 9 from 2 to 4 p.m.

According to RCHS President Norma Husk, the historical society first heard about the Legacy of Hope Foundation through the Quebec Anglophone Heritage Network.

The foundation has several exhibits to choose from, Husk said. The RCHS chose one that suited the space available in the museum and booked it for the summer.

“It’s a very unique display,” Husk said, adding it has a ton of information, all of which is bilingual.

“A lot of people have heard about Residential Schools, but very few have heard about Day Schools,” Husk Explained in a phone interview.

“We didn’t really know what to expect,” she said, having not seen all the panels before they arrived.

“It’s exciting to be on forefront of it all,” commented Husk, looking forward to sharing the exhibit with museum visitors.

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The Paris organizing committee said in a statement that a search was underway at their headquarters in the suburb of Saint-Denis, and said it was cooperating.

Paris Olympic organizers' headquarters searched in French corruption investigations

By Angela Charlton And Graham Dunbar
The Associated Press

French investigators searched the Paris Olympic organizers' headquarters on Tuesday as part of corruption investigations into contracts linked to the Games, according to officials, the third straight time graft allegations have dogged a Summer Olympics.

The Paris organizing committee said in a statement that a search was underway at their headquarters in the suburb of Saint-Denis, and said it was cooperating. It would not comment further.

Tuesday's search and other related raids were linked to two preliminary investigations related to the Olympics that had not previously been made public, according to an official with the financial prosecutor's office, who was not authorized to be publicly named according to office policy. One probe was opened in 2017—the year Paris was picked by the International Olympic Committee as the 2024 host—and the other began last year.

an example of democratic celebration after two World Cups tainted by human rights concerns in Qatar and Russia.

The organizers and Paris city hall have stressed a spirit of transparency and social justice—including planning an opening ceremony outdoors along the Seine that will be free for up to half a million people. The Games are scheduled for July 26-Aug. 11, 2024.

Saccage 2024, an anti-Olympics group that argues that the Games cause widespread ecological and social damage, said it was "very pleased" the raids took place.

"For us, an event of Olympic proportions cannot be held without corruption," the group said in a statement. "It's the size of the event that makes it necessary, whatever the country."

The probe opened in 2017 is looking into suspected embezzlement of public funds and favoritism, and concerns about an unspecified contract reached by Paris organizers, the prosecutor's office said.

The 2022 one followed an audit by the French Anti-corruption Agency. The prosecutor's office said that case targets suspected conflict of interest and favoritism involving several contracts reached by the organizing committee and Solideo, the public body in charge of Olympic infrastructure.

That body's offices were also searched, prosecutors said. According to Le Monde newspaper, raids also took place at the headquarters of several companies and consultants linked to the organization of the Games.

Solideo oversees construction and renovation or more than 60 projects for the multibillion-dollar Olympics—including the athletes' village in the Saint-Denis neighborhood that is set to provide about 2,000 housing units after the games.

The IOC said in a statement it was informed by the organizers that they are cooperating with authorities. It did not comment further.

The raids unfolded as the IOC executive board began a two-day meeting in Lausanne, Switzerland.

IOC president Thomas Bach told reporters early Monday the meeting "of course will be about Paris, where we have some good news after the visit of the coordination mission and after my visit to France, to President Macron, and also the organizing committee."

Paris was awarded its Olympics six years ago—and at the same time the IOC also rewarded its only remaining bid rival, Los Angeles, with the 2028 Summer Games.

Avoiding a contested vote removed the scope for vote-trading and bribery in a process that has since changed again effectively to shut down public

campaigning. Brisbane was picked two years ago as the 2032 Summer Games host after being pre-selected by the IOC

Paris organizers for sports leaders to set differences aside and focus on delivering the Games.

Also, Noel Le Graet resigned as president of the French soccer federation in February after a government audit found he no longer had the legitimacy to lead because of his behavior toward women and his management style. Bernard Laporte resigned as president of the French Rugby Federation in January after he was convicted of corruption and illegally acquiring assets and handed a suspended prison sentence.

Last October, Claude Atcher was fired as chief executive of the Rugby World Cup. That event opens in France in September, and also will serve as a test of France's security preparations for the Olympics. Atcher's removal followed an investigation by French labor inspectors into his workplace conduct.

Dunbar contributed from Geneva. AP Sports Writer Samuel Petrequin reported from Brussels.

Just last month, the president of the French Olympic Committee resigned following a period of intense infighting, prompting calls from Paris organizers for sports leaders to set differences aside and focus on delivering the Games.

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The runup to the 2024 Games has seen turmoil in French sports.

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Corruption allegations have hung over the world's biggest sporting event many times—from accusations surrounding how the Games were awarded in the first place to how contracts for construction, sponsorship and team services were handed out.

Accusations of vote buying linked to the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympics and the Tokyo Games in 2021 led to the removal of several members of the IOC.

Those scandals revived memories of ones surrounding the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Games that led to reforms that limited IOC members' contact with candidate countries, though did not entirely remove the scope for corruption.

But Paris 2024 had gone to lengths to prove it would be different. The biggest event France is hosting in decades, the Games are being billed as a celebration of openness after two Olympics closed off by the COVID-19 pandemic, and as



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Cemetery Meeting

EATON CEMETERY ASSOCIATION
 The annual meeting of the Eaton Cemetery Association will be held on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bulwer Community Center. All are welcome.
 Leigh Grapes, President

Date Book

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023

Today is the 172nd day of 2023 and the first day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1788, New Hampshire ratified the U.S. Constitution and became the ninth state.

In 1898, U.S. troops captured the island of Guam from Spain.

In 1982, John Hinckley Jr. was found not guilty by reason of insanity for his attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan.

In 1989, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that burning the American flag was a form of political protest protected by the First Amendment.

In 2004, SpaceShipOne, piloted by Mike Melvill, became the first privately sponsored craft to carry a human into space.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Al Hirschfeld (1903-2003), cartoonist; Jean-Paul Sartre (1905-1980), philosopher; Mary McCarthy (1912-1989), writer; Jane Russell (1921-2011), actress; Ray Davies (1944-), guitarist/songwriter; Tony Scott (1944-2012), filmmaker; Benazir Bhutto (1953-2007), Pakistani

politician; Berkeley Breathed (1957-), cartoonist; Kevin Harlan (1960-), sportscaster; Juliette Lewis (1973-), actress; Chris Pratt (1979-), actor; Prince William (1982-), prince of Wales.

TODAY'S FACT: James Buchanan was the only U.S. president who never married.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1997, the first Women's National Basketball Association game kicked off the league's debut season.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "America's greatest contribution to the world is its concept of democracy, its concept of freedom, freedom of action, freedom of speech and freedom of thought." – Benazir Bhutto

TODAY'S NUMBER: 141,885 – population of New Hampshire in 1790, following ratification of the U.S. Constitution.

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (June 17) and first quarter moon (June 26).

Pseudomonas bacteria prevalent in health care settings



ASK THE DOCTORS

by Eve Glazier, M.D., and Elizabeth Ko, M.D.

Dear Doctors: I recently had a surgical procedure and was in the hospital for a few days. While I was there, I was diagnosed with pseudomonas. Can you please explain what that is? How do you get it? I was prescribed antibiotics, but it has not gotten rid of the infection. What happens next?

Dear Reader: Pseudomonas is a genus of bacteria that we encounter every day. It is found throughout the natural environment, including in soil, water and vegetation.

The genus encompasses several hundred different species, and it includes a handful that can cause infections in humans. Among these is a species known as Pseudomonas aeruginosa. Commonly shortened to P. aeruginosa, this bacterium has migrated into the built environment, including health care settings. It has been found on surfaces as diverse as floors, sinks, countertops, bed rails and medical equipment.

The bacterium is shaped like a rod, with a thin tail that propels it with a whiplike motion. It needs very little food or water to survive, and it can persist on surfaces for months. In one experiment, a species of pseudomonas was found to be able to survive for months in distilled water. This has led some scientists to refer to it as the cockroach of the microbial world.

In the majority of healthy people, pseudomonas causes only mild symptoms. However, when it is acquired in a health care setting, it can become a more serious threat. It is estimated that infection with P. aeruginosa causes up to 20% of health care-acquired infections. With the

ability of pseudomonas to survive in difficult conditions and to evade the effects of many available antibiotics, it's clear why the bacterium is widely viewed as a grave threat.

If pseudomonas is present on medical instruments, on the patient's or caregiver's skin, or in the environment, there is a risk that it can enter the body. This can be via the blood, the lungs and areas of the body where the skin has been breached. Each pathway can lead to infection.

People who have had surgery, are on a catheter or a breathing apparatus, are being treated for burn wounds or are undergoing intravenous therapies are at increased risk. So are those with impaired immunity, such as patients undergoing cancer treatment or organ transplantation and individuals living with immunodeficiency disorders.

Treatment for this type of infection typically begins with a test to ascertain whether the microbe is resistant to antibiotics. This is known as culturing. The results of the culture then serve as a guide for the specific classes and types of antibiotics that each patient will be prescribed.

Unfortunately, as has occurred in your case, it can take more than one attempt to arrive at a successful treatment. It is possible that your medical team will begin by repeating the culture procedure, then prescribe a different antibiotic regimen. This entails the use of multiple classes of antibiotics to overcome the defenses the bacterium has developed. It may also necessitate the use of increased dosages and longer treatment times. Depending on the site of the infection, the resulting symptoms are addressed as well.

(Eve Glazier, M.D., MBA, is an internist and associate professor of medicine at UCLA Health. Elizabeth Ko, M.D., is an internist and assistant professor of medicine at UCLA Health.)

(Send your questions to askthedoctors@mednet.ucla.edu, or write: Ask the Doctors, c/o UCLA Health Sciences Media Relations, 10960 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1955, Los Angeles, CA, 90024. Owing to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.)

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NEA Crossword Puzzle

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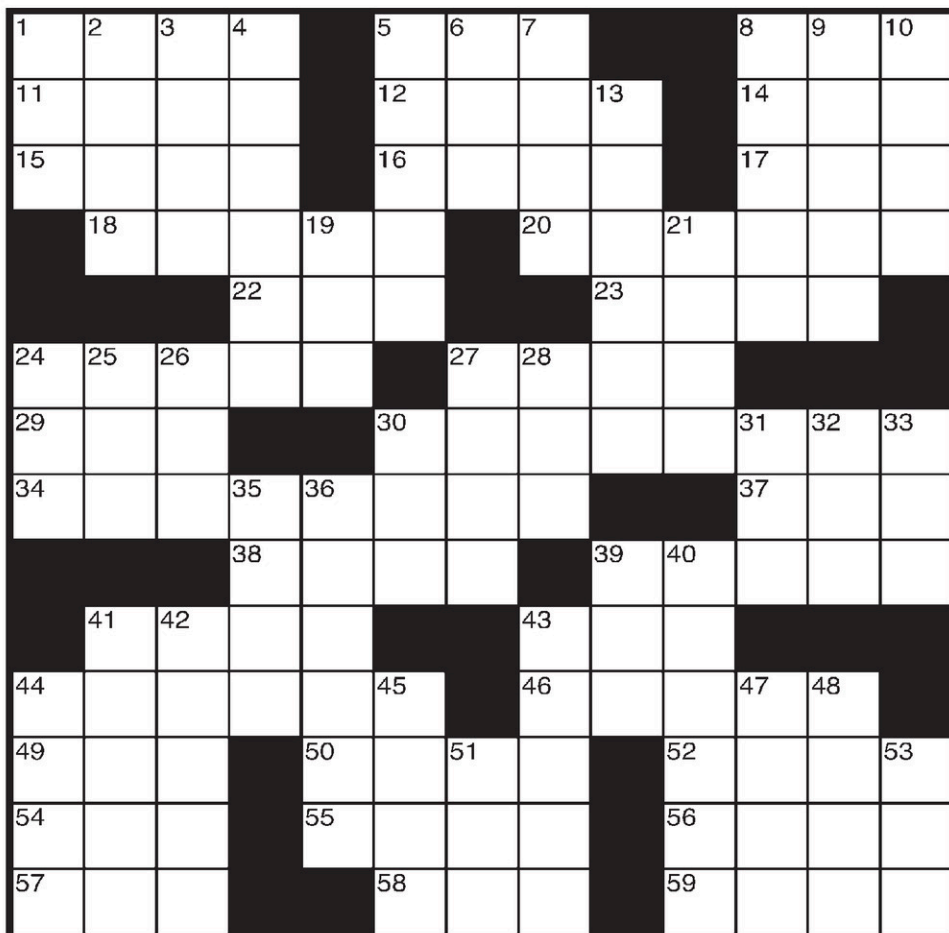
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Answer to Previous Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Stack
 - 5 Sitcom planet
 - 8 Bleach bottle
 - 11 "Free Willy" whale
 - 12 Fishing lure
 - 14 Grounded bird
 - 15 Grandeur
 - 16 Water pitcher
 - 17 UPS units
 - 18 Wrinkled
 - 20 Meadow flower
 - 22 Toady's answer
 - 23 Rude one
 - 24 Alloys, generally
 - 27 Pitfall
 - 29 Ottoman title
 - 30 Storage area
 - 34 Least mature
 - 37 Mont. neighbor
 - 38 Metallic rocks
 - 39 Foamy
- DOWN**
- 41 Long story
 - 43 Choose
 - 44 Uncle's kid
 - 46 Horse opera
 - 49 Pay for
 - 50 Yardstick
 - 52 Latin 101 word
 - 54 Guinea pig, maybe
 - 55 Cleansing agent
 - 56 Outfits
 - 57 Fabric meas.
 - 58 Highest degree
 - 59 Percolate
 - 1 Jump
 - 2 Romantic deity
 - 3 Highest point
 - 4 Yellow fruit
 - 5 Yields to
 - 6 Windy and cold
 - 7 Chicken —
 - 8 Nonfilling dessert (hyph.)
 - 9 Palette color

- 10 Sudden rush
- 13 Clan-related
- 19 Spice Girls' B or C
- 21 Klutz's cry
- 24 Spring month
- 25 Self image
- 26 Sigma follower
- 27 Discard
- 28 Go bad
- 30 Kickoff stand
- 31 Kept secret
- 32 Magazine execs
- 33 Celine Dion's "A New — Has Come"
- 35 Seasonal libations
- 36 Rye and barley
- 39 Health resort
- 40 Says
- 41 Put in crops
- 42 Close relatives
- 43 Bubbling vigor
- 44 Mimic
- 45 Midnight opposite
- 47 Old barge canal
- 48 Go postal
- 51 Two-timer
- 53 Cookbook amt.



Grab the spotlight and share information. How you communicate will determine how well your year unfolds. A playful, enthusiastic approach to life, love and achieving your goals will encourage success. Channel your energy into home improvements, family and personal growth, and avoid impulsive actions to ensure you reach your goals without incident. Make physical fitness and health priorities.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) - Check your options and see who will help you. Your uniqueness and discipline will attract people who can get things done without your supervision. Set yourself up for success.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - A last-minute change will unnerve you. Respond by doing something totally unexpected. Remove yourself from any situation that makes you feel uncomfortable. Trust and have faith in yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - A new location or activity will lead to possibilities. Get involved in something that offers stability. Don't trust anyone to answer for you or to do things to your specifications.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) - Offer what's feasible, nothing more. Balance, equality and integrity will be necessary. Don't let emotional situations or relationships stop you from moving forward.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) - Concentrate on what matters, and don't let anyone sidetrack you. A sensitive situation will leave you with questions. Discipline and tenacity will ensure that you come out on top.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) - Share only with trusted allies. Someone will give you a hard time if you show weakness. Don't be shy; say what's on your mind and avoid joint ventures and shared expenses.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - It's up to you to bring about change. Consider what isn't working for you anymore and do what's necessary to get back on track. A shift in your living arrangements will give you pause.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) - Observe what's happening around you. When your head is clear, pursue answers. Take a path that makes you feel happy and comfortable. Don't get slowed down by petty details.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) - Don't take on more than you can handle, or your reputation will be at stake, along with your income. Stay on top of personal matters that can disrupt your domestic scene. Trust your judgment.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) - Kick back with friends, have fun and try something new and exciting. Good communication will lead to new beginnings and better relationships. Relax and enjoy life.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) - Put a hold on any endeavor that mystifies you, especially when love or money is at stake. Don't mix business with pleasure or voice your concerns to someone who doesn't have your beliefs.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - Prepare to fight for what you want. Make your position clear and your actions speak for you. Don't limit what you can achieve because someone makes a last-minute change.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023

Can you visualize or see the play?

By Phillip Alder

Robert L. Schwartz, a lawyer and author, wrote, "The entrepreneur is essentially a visualizer and an actualizer. He can visualize something, and when he visualizes it, he sees exactly how to make it happen."

There are a few bridge-play techniques that club players think are solely the domain of the expert. However, if you can visualize the distribution required for success, you can bring off any of the coups described in the literature.

In today's deal, South's four-spade contract looks impossible. Surely he will lose one spade, one diamond and two clubs, but look closer!

West starts with three rounds of clubs. Declarer ruffs and takes two successful spade finesses, but East's discard on the second is a setback. However, South cashes his red-suit winners.

Everyone is down to three cards. Dummy has the spade ace, a diamond and a club. East retains only red cards. South has two trumps and a diamond. West holds two trumps and a club.

South has two ways home. The prosaic is to ruff dummy's remaining club. The visualizer exits with his last

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

diamond. East must lead a red card, which South ruffs. What does West do? If he overruffs, so does the dummy, and declarer takes the last trick with his trump. If instead West undertruffs, dummy discards its club. Either way, declarer wins the last two tricks and makes his contract. This is called a Smother Play.

Give yourself 11 out of 10 if you saw that West would have defeated the contract by leading a diamond. How could he have possibly missed that?!

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

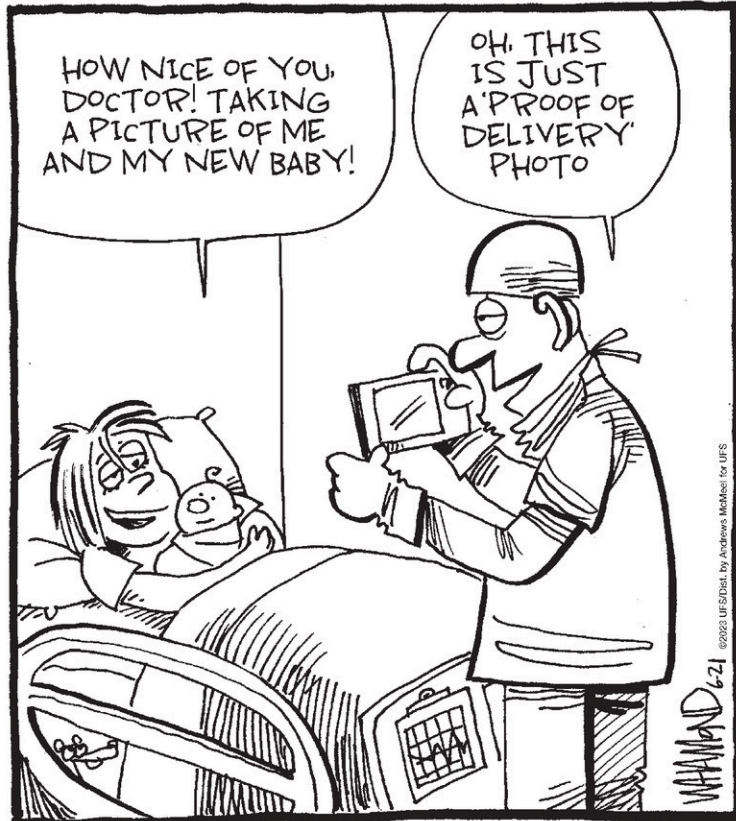
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YJSRHJP.” — HWVXTNHRP KHVRYTDX

Previous Solution: “Falling in love ... is a completely transcendent experience. It's like eating pizza-flavored ice cream.” — Mike Birbiglia

TODAY'S CLUE: *g sjanbe N*

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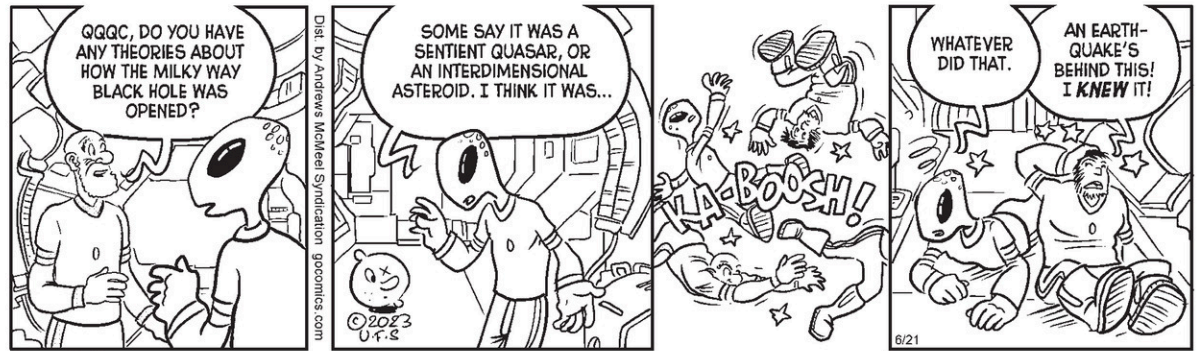


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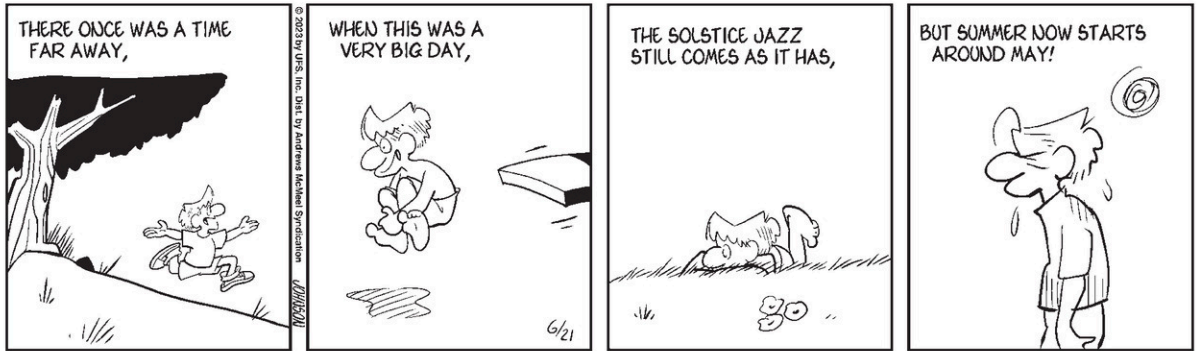


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Dog-walking etiquette

Dear Annie

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023

Dear Annie: I live in a nice neighborhood in a modest-sized city. This is a dog-rich environment, with most of my neighbors owning and frequently walking their dogs. I have two, which flourish in my yard, and we rarely walk.

My problem is one neighbor who loiters with her dog at the spot where the alley that runs past my house meets the street. I have watched her wait there for five or 10 minutes until her dog does its business. Now, here's the kicker; she never picks up the waste. Once the dog is finished, she leads it back homeward.

Annie, that is a heavy-traffic area, and the sidewalk crosses the alley at this point. She will sometimes walk her dogs right into the middle of the street. Once I was out working in my yard and asked, in the nicest way I could, why she did this. She said it was so that her dogs would not be exposed to lawn chemicals. I guess she prefers the chance they get run down to the possibility of chemical harm.

Is there some appropriate and kind way to suggest she pick up the dog waste - as all other dog walkers do? While I find this common nuisance disgusting and anti-social, I don't want to make a police report since that seems like overkill. - Grossed Out

Dear Grossed: I'm not sure what state you are in, but in many states there are Pooper Scooper laws, which state that

all pet owners must remove and clean up all fecal matter left by their dog on public and private property. So you are within your rights to let a local police officer know. As far as not wanting to walk on lawns, I am sympathetic to the argument that some lawns have pesticides that are harmful not only to pets but to humans as well. Walking in the middle of the street is clearly dangerous. Getting run down by a car is certainly more dangerous than lawn chemicals. Ideally, she could find a park or a hiking trail to take her four-legged friends.

Dear Annie: This is regarding "Frustrated Papa," who wrote about his daughter who had two children with "Marcus." I was surprised that, given his track record (Marcus had cheated WITH his daughter, which resulted in their first child, and now Marcus has cheated on her at least a dozen times in the past three years), that you didn't suggest that "Frustrated Papa's" daughter should get tested regularly for sexually transmitted diseases.

It should be fairly obvious that Marcus doesn't seem to care about protection, and "Papa" should be concerned about his daughter's health. - Get Tested

Dear Get Tested: That is a great point, and it should have been as obvious to me as it was to you. Thank you for writing in.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

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