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## New motor skills clinic open in Sherbrooke

By Gordon Lambie

There's a new space in Sherbrooke for working on children's motor skills. The brainchild of kinesiologist Victoria Dorimain, Gymnik is an interdisciplinary clinic focused on helping the families of children with a range of different special needs develop their skills and abilities.

"For me, health is not just physical, mental, or social; it is everything," Dorimain said. "We look at the whole person."

The kinesiologist put an emphasis on calling her clinic "interdisciplinary" rather than "multidisciplinary" because of the fact that although the space will provide many different specialists a space in which to work, they are all joined by a common set of values and mean to work together for the overall benefit of their patients.

"Children are a part of an ecosystem," Dorimain said, expressing a belief that in looking at the health of an individual, healthcare professionals cannot simply look at one element of that person's wellbeing. That being the case, she added, the clinic is meant to be a space that is welcoming not just to the child and his or her parents, but the entire

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## Galt becomes a massive campground for scout jamboree



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By Ocean Francoeur  
Special to the Record

Hard to miss the hundreds of tents set up outside Alexander Galt Regional High School since the beginning of July. Some might have seen

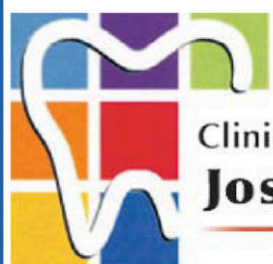
scouts wearing their tell-tale green scarves running around downtown. This is because Les Scouts de l'Érable are having a Jamboree in honor of the 110th anniversary of the movement right here in Sherbrooke.

The event has gathered scouts of all

ages from all across Quebec and some parts of Ontario, according to Scouts de l'Érable development and communications officer Marie-Claude Boutin.

"There are around 2,300 scouts on

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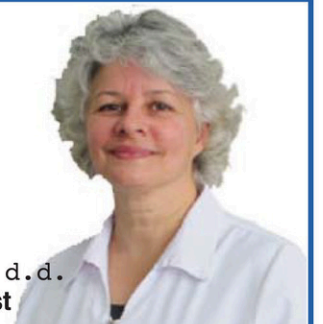
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# A strong case against muscles



ROSS MURRAY

If you were to do an image search for “the ideal man,” and you didn’t mind having that in your browser history, you would come upon image after image of jacked-up masculine figures of steel, sculpted and gleaming, tightly packed with muscles like human sausages. Oh, and Patrick Dempsey.

The ideal man is buff.

But here’s the thing: We need to give muscles a rest.

As a society, we’ve finally come around to talking about how a man should act, but we rarely talk much about how a man should look. We’re in an age of emerging gender equality, and it turns out men feel equally bad about their bodies as women do.

Like women, men have a tough time living up to the ideal. For those without a hope of ever achieving that ideal – or, in my case, ever bothering to try – it can lead to feelings of inadequacy, doubts about masculinity and fears of getting smushed, because those dudes are big!

So it’s very simple: for men to feel good about their average bodies, Channing Tatum has to go. It’s time to accept the fact that the hyper-muscled ideal is not only unrealistic but unnecessary.

I’m not talking about avoiding exer-

cise or sitting like a lump at a desk all day, which, as we know, leads to high risk of becoming a Canadian senator. I’m talking about no longer building muscles for the sake of building muscles.

For starters, spending hours at the gym solely to enhance one’s quadplex or delton johns is a drain on productivity, time that could be spent contributing to the economy, volunteering for the arts or making me cookies.

It’s also not practical; in real life, there is rarely a pressing need for squats.

In ancient times, muscles had their place. Strength was survival. If you wanted something, you had to work physically hard for it. We are no longer hunters and gatherers; we are shoppers and mortgagors.

Where once our leaders were the strongest in the tribe, today physical strength is hardly considered. Take the Prime Minister of Canada, for instance, a normal-sized human with otherworldly hair. Yes, we’ve seen the photos of him doing yoga poses (known as the Downward Deficit), but everyone knows that yoga muscles are only in your mind.

And the President of the United States is 98% cream cheese. Nothing he has done has been achieved through physical strength but rather through thugishness, opportunism, deception, collusion, lies, boorishness, petty-mindedness, pandering, division, stupidity, narcissism, self-interest and hairspray alone!

But muscles can still contribute to survival, you say, for instance if you were thrown off a ship in the middle of the ocean. Sure, those muscles might allow you to tread water for an extra hour, but it would only prolong the agony. Inevitably, the sea will have its way and drag you into its watery crypt, so I guess

you’re sorry now you ticked off those Kurdish sailors with the joke about the mung beans, aren’t you?

More proof that enhanced muscles aren’t necessary? Women can do anything men can do; women are less muscular than men; therefore anyone can do anything without muscles! That’s logic, just like it’s logical that many muscular women will now challenge me to arm wrestle.

In the end, why do we need six-pack abs when one pack will do, or even box-of-wine abs?

As a flimsy man, I can attest that all basic human functions can be performed with only everyday muscles, including raking, shovelling, child rearing, home repair and marathon back rubs with no expectations of reciprocal sex.

Need to move something heavy? Call a friend! Social interaction is good for you, therefore living muscle-free provides better quality of life, as well as the occasional borrowed truck.

There are other benefits of having moderate to zero muscles: the ability to snake one’s arm up a drainpipe to retrieve a set of dentures (it happens); hiding exceptionally well in small spaces to avoid agitated Kurds; looking really good in drag. The list, unlike my endurance, goes on.

I’m happy that I’m not a super-muscular guy. The only thing I need to hammer out is columns like this, which can be like pulling teeth, and sometimes it takes all my strength to go on – yours too, I’m sure.

So let’s get rid of the muscular ideal. Call it sour grapes if you want, but be aware that’s also the term I use to describe my biceps.

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# Drinking Water interruption in Rock Forest-Saint-Élie-Deauville today

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The City of Sherbrooke is advising the public that water service will be interrupted within a large perimeter of the Rock Forest-Saint-Élie-Deauville borough on Thursday July 6, from 9 a.m. to noon for work involving the addition of a valve on Bourque Blvd

to improve the quality of the network.

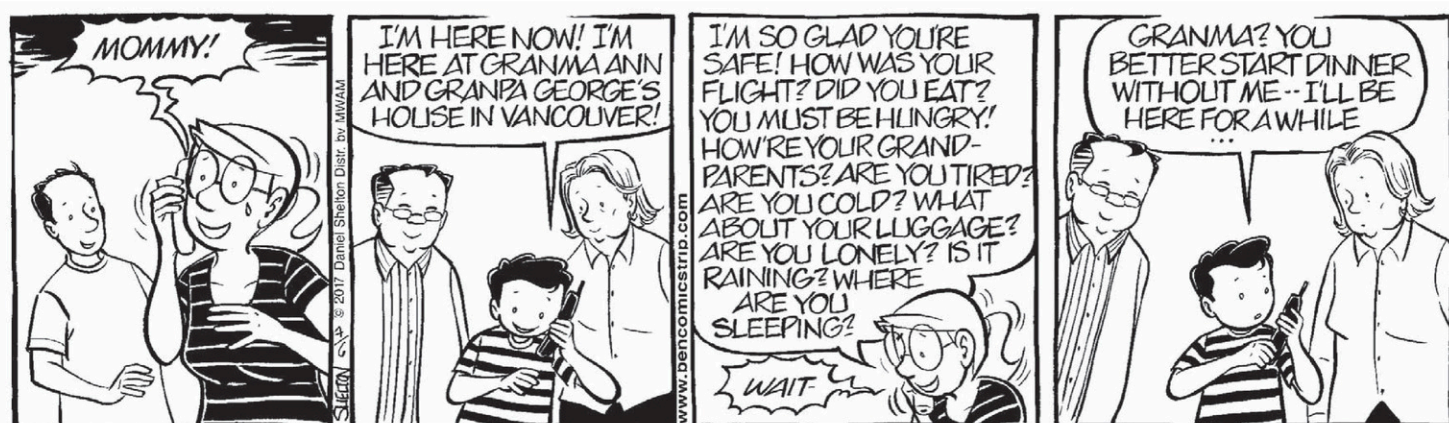
Approximately 800 homes will be affected by this temporary interruption, particularly streets on the outskirts of Lake Magog, namely Park Ave., Jules-Richard and Albert-Dion streets and Venise Rd.

Businesses in the area have already received notice of the service stoppage and residents listed in conventional phone

directories received an automated call Wednesday.

The City recommends that citizens concerned make a reserve of drinking water to keep in the refrigerator as well as one for use of the toilet, if necessary. Upon return of the service, it will not be necessary to boil the water.

## Ben by Daniel Shelton



# LOCAL NEWS

*"This is the last city council before the summer break," the spokesperson said. "We want to take advantage of this opportunity to make our voices heard."*

## Citizen groups form human chain over development concerns

By Gordon Lambie

Sherbrooke residents opposed to three different development projects in the Mont Bellevue borough and one dedicated to the preservation of a woodland area in Rock Forest brought passive resistance and heated discussion to the table at Sherbrooke's City Council meeting on Monday Night.

Meeting together prior to the 7pm meeting, representatives of the Amies du bois des Deux-Ruisseaux, the Regroupement pour le Boisé Belvédère, the Association citoyenne pour le Boisé-Fabi and the comité de citoyens et citoyennes Sauvé-Dunant formed a human chain first across the Wellington Street side of Strathcona Square and then directly in front of the Sherbrooke City Hall. The assembly, which included Ascot Political Candidate Edwin Moreno, grew to more than fifty representatives between 6:15 and 7:00 p.m. with new arrivals cheered as they joined the chain.

"It's the idea of joining our voices together," Dominique Vigneux-Parent, spokesperson for the Sauvé-Dunant group. "We are all citizens who share the

same sort of values and concerns."

Vigneux-Parent explained that the four groups all want to call the city council's attention to the importance of citizen consultation in development plans.

"This is the last city council before the summer break," the spokesperson said. "We want to take advantage of this opportunity to make our voices heard."

"We're here to save trees" one member of the chain could be overheard telling her daughter on the city hall steps.

Inside the council chambers, each of the groups making up the chain spoke to its own concerns, although members continued to show solidarity with the idea of standing up against what the groups see as unnecessary development.

Vigneux-Parent presented her group's arguments, asking the city to reconsider its development practices and, more specifically, to intervene in the development at the corner of Dunant and Thibault streets. In his response to the presentation, however, Mayor Bernard Sévigny said that the owner of the land being developed is acting within his



GORDON LAMBIE

rights.

Marc-André Paquette, speaking on behalf of the Boisé des Deux Ruisseaux, ended up being removed from the council chambers by police officers after insistently exceeding his allotted time to speak. Paquette mourned the development of the Boisé des Deux Ruisseaux after an eight year effort to save it, but

refused to stop speaking at the end of the five minute period allotted to each resident to present his or her questions.

Although the council held a two minute recess to allow for the man's removal, many of the citizens who remained in the council chambers clapped through the pause to show their disapproval of the decision.

## Scout jamboree

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site from the Estrie area and Centre-du-Quebec" said Boutin. "There are about 120 units present."

The week-long celebration, she explained, offers a wide variety of activities for the scouts. The fun started with an opening ceremony on July 2, and will end with a closing ceremony on July 8.

"It allows all the scouts from different areas to meet one another, to celebrate their belonging to a group like the scouts," said Boutin. "It also gives us visibility."

Scouts are still very active, even after 110 years, she affirmed, adding that the Jamboree allows them to show off and practice the skills they've acquired as part of the group.

"The Jamboree has a bunch a little challenges prepared, especially for the older kids. Tomorrow (Thursday) and Friday their challenge is to survive in the woods. There'll also be a boot camp in North Hatley where they can show off more physical skills and a canoeing adventure from Magog to Sherbrooke."

"It's very diversified," added Boutin. "The activities for the younger kids are

more structured."

As per scout custom, there is a focus on helping others at the Jamboree, learning about the community and how to help it. Boutin outlined the museum tours the children will participate in, as well as environmental training, where they will learn to be 'greener' citizens. The scouts will also attend awareness campaigns concerning wheelchair accessibility and persons who are deaf-mute.

Local businesses, in particular Estrie-Aide, received a helping hand from the scouts during Canada Day weekend,

which is a particularly busy one because of the many moves occurring.

"They were very happy for the help. They were glad to welcome the kids for their little challenge-adventure," said Boutin of Estrie-Aide, where the scouts helped do odd jobs around the store.

While Sherbrooke's Les Scouts de l'Érable are hosting the local Jamboree, the 1st Lennoxville scouts are packing their bags to head off to a national jamboree in Nova Scotia.

The troop will leave Friday morning on a 13-hour bus ride to Halifax.



PHOTOS BY MATTHEW MCCULLY

# Lennoxville to experiment with new crosswalk lighting

By Gordon Lambie

The little white triangles painted on the roads around crosswalks in Lennoxville are a precursor to a new experiment in road safety, according to Lennoxville Borough President David Price. At last week's borough council meeting, Price explained that the next step of the process will see a new light installed at the crossing on Queen Street near the corner of Speid.

"They're putting a new LED white light on that post," Price said. "It's experimental; we're going to try it."

The light, a replacement for the street lighting seen elsewhere, is hoped to make the crosswalk stand out more at night.

The Borough President said that the light is a compromise on the level of signage that the council wanted to put in place because more significant lights were not approved by the provincial

transport ministry, which has jurisdiction over Queen Street. Replacing street lights, however, is the job of Hydro-Sherbrooke and can therefore be done without having to run things by the MTQ.

If the measure proves helpful at the first crossing, Price said that similar lights should be set up at the other crossings in town. For the moment, however, he said the timeline is unclear for the installation of the first.

"It could be a couple of months," the

borough president said. "It's to be done ASAP."

Crosswalk safety has long been a concern in Lennoxville because of the volume of traffic that comes with the intersection of two provincial highways. Twice in the last two years the borough has seen two pedestrians hit on different borough crosswalks in the span of one night, with all situations putting at least some of the blame on visibility issues.

# Charles Bruneau Foundation helping make a difference in the battle against pediatric cancer

By Ocean Francoeur  
Special to The Record

Four days, 153 kilometers a day, starting in St-Georges de Beauce: this is the trek 35 local bicyclists must complete as part of the Espoir trail of the Charles Bruneau Tour.

This is the 22nd edition of the Tour. Pierre Bruneau, long-time news anchor for TVA, founded the group in honor of his son, Charles, who died battling leukemia. Ever since then, the Charles Bruneau Foundation has been dedicated to helping find a cure for pediatric cancers.

The Espoir trail of the Tour runs through Sherbrooke. Spanning 600 kilometers, 35 Townshippers, including

Bruneau and foundation spokesperson Paul Doucet, will be biking along it for four days.

"It's a physical challenge, but also an emotional one," said Bruneau, explaining that between 500 to 600 cyclists will be leaving from 7 different trails for the cause. "Each trail has its own spokesperson, a child who has received cancer treatment through the foundation. The child on the Espoir trail, Laurence, it does me good to see her. We're always happy to see the children. Laurence, I see her and I see my son, with the same motivations and dreams, but with better chances."

The cyclists are hoping to fundraise \$3 million to give towards research. At the moment, according to him, they

have just under \$2 million. "We'll reach our goal, I'm sure of it," exclaimed Bruneau.

"We committed to donate 22 million to the St-Justine Children's Hospital over a period of 5 years," explained Doucet, who participates in all the Charles Bruneau fundraisers. It is currently his seventh time completing the Tour. "We're biking to uphold our promise and deliver the donation."

"It's an incredible atmosphere. We have a beautiful time," commented Bruneau. "It's extraordinary. We work hard. We're the number one donor in the history of St-Justine. We're very proud."

The Espoir trail is easily accessible for both experienced cyclists and more

novice ones, like Bruneau, who said that the best part of the tour is the human aspect.

"The true beauty is that we sponsor children afflicted with cancer," he explained.

"It's an extraordinary feeling. It's the feeling that everyone participates for," adds Doucet. "It's the reason they are here. We get to see our sponsor children and their families in their hometowns. We see the friendships that form throughout the years. We're with them through the good times and the not-so-good times. It's part of the experience."

Since the beginning of the Charles Bruneau Foundation, according to its creator, children suffering from cancer had around a 30 per cent survival rate. He claims that the numbers have soared to 80-85 per cent. Doucet chimed in that "we are at the dawn of a medical revolution".

"Our first objective was to build facilities," said Bruneau. The Foundation has funded the construction of many pavilions in hospitals, including one at St-Justine, the CHUS in Sherbrooke, and another still being worked on in Quebec. "Now we are focussing on research."

Doucet explained that researchers are finding new treatment methods.

"It's very exciting. They're realizing that chemotherapy doesn't cure all. They say that there's a new wave coming, and that Charles Bruneau is providing them with a surfboard to ride it."

Those who wish to donate to the foundation or participate in its fundraisers can do so by visiting the [tourcibc.charlesbruneau.qc.ca](http://tourcibc.charlesbruneau.qc.ca).

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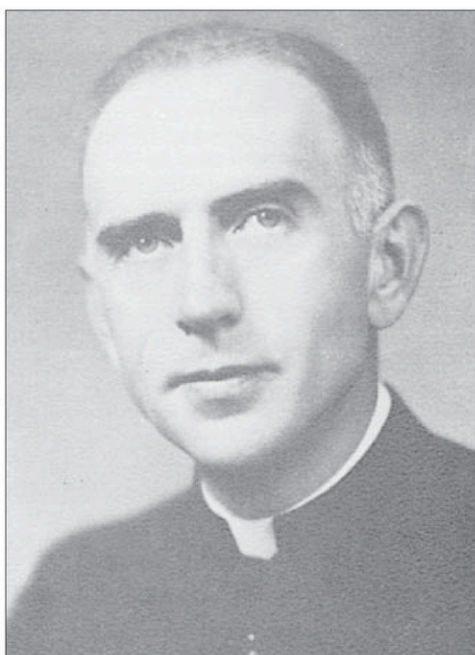
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# Msgr. Rosario Moisan, a Franco-American as Third Parish Priest of St. Patrick's (1907-1984)

By Gérard Côté (LAHMS) and Jean-Marie Dubois (Université de Sherbrooke)

A street and a place between Autoroute 410 and McCrea Street in Sherbrooke were named Monseigneur-Moisan in 1987 to honor a Franco-American man involved with St. Patrick's Parish and in ministry of the sick at the Sherbrooke Hospital.

Rosario Moisan was born in Salem, Massachusetts, January 4, 1907. He was the son of Adélaïde Plamondon (1865-1943) and of cabinet maker Léandre Moisan (1867-1948). They had been married in 1891 in Saint-Raymond of Portneuf. Rosario came to study at Saint-Charles Seminary (now the Séminaire de Sherbrooke) from 1920 to 1922. From 1926 to 1927, he went to St. John's Preparatory School, in Danvers, Massachusetts and, from 1927 to 1928, to Boston College. From 1928 to 1930, he studied at the Séminaire de Philosophie in Montreal. He then began studies in theology while at the same time giving English courses to the commercial course students at Saint-Charles Seminary. He was ordained a priest in 1934 in Saint-Michel Cathedral. A teacher at Saint-Charles Seminary from 1934 to 1940, he studied in 1940-1941 at St. Paul's University in Ottawa where he received a License in Theology. From 1941 to 1944, he taught at the Saint-Apôtres Grand Seminary (now a building of the CSSS-IUGS) and at the same time helping out Canon Charles J. McGee, pastor of St. Patrick's Parish. He was his successor from 1944 to 1970 as the third pastor of the parish since 1887. Named Papal Chamberlain in 1954 he was elevated in 1959 by Pope John XXIII to the rank of Domestic Prelate. He was named Titular



St. Patrick's Parish 1887-1987. Sherbrooke, p. 14

Canon in 1965.

In 1949, Msgr. Moisan helped organize St. Pat's Old Boys Camp at Stoke Lake and was one of the promoters in 1961-1962 for the building on Buck Street of Marymount School, in order to repatriate Catholic English speaking students from different French primary schools. The school was under the direction of the Notre-Dame Congregation Sisters. It closed in 1987 and became in 1988 the du Soleil-Levant French primary school. From 1970 to 1984, Msgr. Moisan was chaplain of the Bromptonville home for senior citizens (the Centre de maternité de l'Estrie since 2007) and of the Sherbrooke Hospital (Argyll Pavilion since 1995). He had already been doing ministry there for a long

# RBC Royal Bank donates \$25,000 to two local groups

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As principal sponsor of the 2017 edition of the RBC Demi-Marathon of Sherbrooke, RBC Royal Bank has taken the opportunity to make a major donation of \$25,000 to two local organizations: the JIVI Estrie suicide prevention centre and the Sherbrooke Street Workers Coalition.

Demonstrating a strong commitment to their community, RBC Royal Bank employees made their way through the various Demi-Marathon courses and their efforts, combined with corporate donations, raised a sum of \$25,000 for the JIVI Centre de prévention du suicide - Estrie and the Coalition sherbrookoise des travailleurs de rue.



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From left to right: Daniel Jacques, Branch Manager, RBC Dominion Securities, Lucie Bégin, vice-president, RBC, Louise Lévesque, JIVI, Marie-Josée Bousquet, Private Banker RBC, Etienne Bélanger-Caron, Coalition sherbrookoise des travailleurs de rue, Francis Richard, vice-president, RBC, Martin Thibodeau, President, Quebec Headquarters, RBC Royal Bank,

time, about 40 years in all. In 1985, a plaque in his memory was unveiled stating that « His sunny disposition and sympathetic ministry gave comfort and hope to all ». Mgr Moisan died in 1984 in Sherbrooke. He is buried with his parents in St. Mary's Cemetery in Salem, Massachusetts.

# New motor skills clinic

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extended family, as needed. "It's a family clinic," she continued. "We have different activities for young families and children with special needs regarding their mobility."

Located on King Street West right next to the Montcalm Bridge, the clinic takes full advantage of its location with large windows looking out over Lac des Nations. Inside, several office spaces and multipurpose rooms surround a colourful "motor development area" where children can work on their skills by doing activities like climbing on a rock wall, bouncing on a trampoline, and practicing their balance on giant padded blocks.

The focus of this larger space, according to Dorimain, is to let kids explore and learn about their abilities through play. Although the kinesiologist put a focus on the space being used for clinical

purposes, she said that it will also be available for parents and children to come and use during opening hours for a \$5 fee.

"We really wanted the price to be accessible, but also ensure that this is not an entertainment centre," the director said.

As well as individual consultations, the clinic will also offer a series of workshops, training sessions, conferences, development groups and special events throughout the year.

Dorimain, herself bilingual, said that it is a priority for her that the Gymnik clinic provide services to both the French and English population in the region, although she said that she has had a hard time finding adequately bilingual specialists off of the island of Montreal.

"It is hard to find enough English speaking professionals here," the director said, "but access for anglophones is a priority for me."

More information about Gymnik is available at [www.gymnik.ca](http://www.gymnik.ca) or by calling the clinic at 819-575-2344.



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Gymnik founder and director Victoria Dorimain in her clinic's motor development room, which will be used for clinical purposes but also rented out for birthday parties.

# EDITORIAL

"It is always a pleasure to organize this very special day for families with limited financial resources, Fortin says.

## The dangers of robotic sex



TIM BELFORD

Warning: This column contains items of a sexual and weird nature and could be offensive to seniors, adolescents and pretty much anyone with a normal sex life.

The Foundation for Responsible Robotics, a title just begging to be labeled an oxymoron, has just published a report warning of the impending dangers of sex robots. The foundation's alarm comes as the frequency of 'sex-bots' is apparently edging slightly ahead of driverless cars in the race for technological innovation.

As odd as this may sound to those of us who are still quite content with an old fashioned human to-human bit of slap and tickle, robotic sex has been with us for a while now. Not only is virtual sex possible - and by this I mean the electronically aided type and not virtual in the "I almost had sex with that gorgeous blonde I met in the bar Friday" - but it is apparently becoming more and more frequent.

With the increasing quality of silicon and the introduction of three dimensional printers, experts in the field say it won't be long before life-like sex-bots will be produced in an on-demand format. In a long distance relationship? No problem. Just fill in this convenient form listing your loved one's dimensions, eye colour, hair shade and skin tone, throw in a recent photograph and voila, she or he can be right by your side as you talk on the phone.

If this sounds a bit far fetched you are definitely out of touch. South Korea, Japan and Spain already have fully functioning "doll brothels". Even good old, conservative Great Britain where sexual fetishes are ten pence a dozen has seen the opening of an oral sex coffee shop in London! One wonders if the coffee comes before or after the sex.

Apart from the wisdom of having sex with an anatomically correct bag made of processed sand, there are some other drawbacks that must also be considered, according to the people at Responsible Robotics. For instance, is this really what people want? I'd suggest a survey of female seniors taken a few years ago would have rank the introduction of Viagra way down on their list of priorities. But then again, if it Blow-Up Betsy keeps the old goat busy where's the harm.

Where the Foundation for Responsible Robots really goes astray however, is in its suggestion that maybe the government will have to step in with regula-



tions governing sex-bots. Here most Canadians would likely agree with Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau when he suggested the state has no business in the bedrooms of the nation. I am also sure Trudeau would have added "even if they invite a life-size, silicon, perfect-in-every-way, reproduction of whomever they want, to join them."

One of the fears expressed is that people could become addicted to their sex-bot. If that was the case, most of us would likely agree that the person in question had more problems than a Barbie or Ken surrogate could solve. The same holds true with another suggestion the Foundation made that the gov-

ernment would have to criminalize "robotic rape." What this would involve or how it could be monitored no one seems to be sure. Perhaps a built in chip that would allow the sex-bot to just say "no" or "not tonight dear I have a headache" would suffice.

There are so many practical problems to deal with. If you take a sex-bot to the bar would you have to pay an additional cover charge? If someone hits on your date, could you turn it off? Do you introduce it to your family. If you start seeing a real person on the side would that be considered cheating?

Welcome to the future.

## Fortin renews school zoo visit

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For the third year in a row, Sherbrooke MNA Luc Fortin has collaborated with the Commission Scolaire de la Région de Sherbrooke (CSRS) Student Foundation to offer some 80 CSRS pupils from five schools an outing to the Granby Zoo.

"It is always a pleasure to organize

this very special day for families with limited financial resources, Fortin says." During the day, the children and their parents will be able to take full advantage of the many attractions offered at the Granby Zoo, such as the robotic dinosaur tour at the newly opened Dinoozoo outdoor park."

As is the case every year, children and their families were selected according to criteria determined by the management

of the associated schools. On August 10, participants will enjoy complimentary coach transportation, admission to the site and dinner and snacks upon their return.

The day would be impossible without the participation of generous partners such as Transdev Limocar for transport, the Rock-Guertin Foundation for the snack and Groupe FLAG, for logistical support, the CSRS and its foundation (for

the selection of children), as well as the Granby Zoo, for its welcome, and Fortin for access to the site for all participants.

"It is a real pleasure for me and my family to join these Sherbrooke families for this break at the Granby Zoo. As in previous years, I am convinced that we will enjoy pleasant moments together and that the children will carry wonderful memories for a long time," says Luc Fortin.

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# The Border Report

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## Massawippi Valley Refugee Support Group close to halfway point of funding goal

By Matthew McCully

Determination is a key word to describe the Massawippi Valley Refugee Support Group (MVRSG).

While there have been ups and downs since it was first formed, the group's mandate to welcome a refugee family into the local community has never wavered.

Now close to the funding halfway point, the MVRSG will host a fundraising event this Saturday, Laura Teasdale's one-act play *Home Child*, to continue building the fund to sponsor a refugee family.

When the group was formed in 2015, the idea, according to Marilyn Lawand, one of the founding members, was to sponsor a Syrian family.

After meeting with Paul McLean and hearing about families of Iraqi Christians who had fled to Amman, Jordan when their town was occupied by ISIS, Lawand and the other group members decided to join forces with Hope Community Church and sponsor one of the 13 families McLean was in the process of assisting.

The group was soon able to put a face to their sponsorship plan, choosing a family of three. Ayer's Cliff seemed a good fit for Nabeel Zahrah, his wife Zonan and their daughter Calvin, considering Nabeel had a family background in farming.

Unfortunately, circumstances changed for the family.

They were offered entry into another country. Because life in the refugee camp in Jordan was challenging, the family could not afford to wait for MVRSG fundraising and the bureaucratic process to enter Canada to be finalized, understandably.

The sponsorship group's philosophy has been the same since the beginning. A family in need is a family in need, Lawand had said.

The MVRSG is required to raise a minimum of \$25,000 in order to sponsor a family.

According to member Serena Black, the group is between \$11,000-\$12,000.

As they continue towards their goal, Black said the group has a new family in mind to sponsor; a young married couple with two children; a two-year-old son

and a five-year-old daughter.

The family, originally from Bagdad, has been living in Afyon, Turkey for the past 20 months. Living on what savings they had when they arrived, the couple is running out of money and unable to work while living in the refugee settlement, according to Black.

The upcoming staging of Laura Teasdale's play, *Home Child*, is one of four events planned in the coming months to try and reach their fundraising goal and bring the family to the area as soon as possible. An online art auction, a dance and a Christmas concert are also in the works.

Teasdale's one-act play, which tells the story of over 100,000 British children sent to Canada through a child migration scheme Between 1869 and the late 1930s, some of which ended up in the Townships, will be performed in the dining hall of the Ayer's Cliff Fair Grounds this Saturday, July 8.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m. the show begins at 8 p.m. Admission is \$15.

For tickets or more information call 819-838-4797 or 819-838-5595.



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The young Iraqi family the MVRSG hopes to welcome to the area as soon as possible.

### FRONTIER ANIMAL SOCIETY

## Featured pets: Buttercup, Renoir, Dale and Samson

Over the past several weeks, Frontier Animal Society, along with every other cat rescue in the province, has been overwhelmed with requests to take in unwanted, abandoned or stray cats and kittens. Why so many and why now? The issue here in Quebec is twofold. First is the fact that we are still in the throes of kitten season and with the average litter being anywhere from 3 to 6 that makes for a lot of kittens. Second is the fact that Quebec's July 1st moving day always leads to an increase in animal abandonment. People move and either can't or simply don't, bring their pets with them. It's a very, very, very sad situation because the reality is, this time of year, the demand usually exceeds our capacity to help. Recently, even the SPA in Sherbrooke had to temporarily stop intake. Sadly, those least at fault, the cats and kittens themselves, are the ones who pay the price.

For those who read this column regularly, you can probably anticipate what's coming next...

Please STERILIZE your cats and if they are not sterilized, DO NOT let them roam outdoors. This applies to both males and females because as most of us know, it takes two to tango (so to speak!)

On the flip side, if you are looking to adopt a cat or kitten you currently have a plethora of choice. We've got big cats and small cats, kittens and seniors, fat cats and thin cats, outgoing cats and shy

cats, black cats and colourful cats, we've even got a declawed cat named Gus.

We have some truly wonderful cats and kittens all of whom are patiently waiting for their chance to win your heart.

We have sweet Buttercup who was abandoned in a cardboard box along with her three kittens (all of whom have been adopted). Buttercup is a delicate and affectionate young cat who loves to be pet and is very friendly. She is playful and curious and enjoys chasing her toys. Buttercup has been living at the shelter for over 6 months and we would love for her to find her home soon. It's time.

We also have our senior Renoir who is



Buttercup

approximately 10. He is a good boy who is calm and friendly. He loves to lounge in the sunshine and is quick to appear when treats are being offered. Renoir has been with us for a very long time but we keep his spirits up with a promise that his perfect family is out there and that the day will come when he will have his chance to bid a fond farewell to shelter living.

And of course we've got kittens all of whom are currently in foster homes. Three are in Vermont but two, Dale and Samson are living it up in their foster home just minutes away from the shelter so visits to meet them are easily



Renoir

arranged. Dale and Samson are approximately 9 weeks old (both male) and are playful, friendly and very, very cute and cuddly.

To meet these, or any of our adoptable cats, please consider attending our cat adoption open house that takes place every Saturday morning from 10 am to noon at the shelter. We are located at 2405 Griffin (Route 247) in Ogden. To meet the kittens, please send an email to [frontieranimalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:frontieranimalsociety@gmail.com) or call the shelter at 819.876.7785.

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Dale and Samson

# Sherbrooke begins participatory reflection process on Wellington South

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After adopting its Special Planning Program for the Wellington South area, the City of Sherbrooke is entering the second phase of the development and revitalization of the street, with the granting of a contract to BC2 Groupe Conseil inc. for the realization of a master plan for the development of this strategic area of the city center.

Sherbrooke Mayor Bernard Sévigny says: "The vision and direction are very clear for the revitalization of the Wellington South sector to make it a vibrant and inclusive living environment for creating and developing entrepreneurial projects. We are now at the next stage to consider the redevelopment of Quartier Well inc. and transform this sector with a common vision valuing the history and the unique heritage of the sector."

### Consultation, inclusion and citizen participation

The Wellington South Master Plan will make it possible to identify very concretely the necessary changes to the public domain, such as soil condition, spatial organization concept, access roads, street cuts, public spaces, and architectural design.

An advisory committee composed of merchants, community representatives, community organizations, housing representatives, institutional partners, property owners and promoters will accompany the chosen firm and will follow the process while validating and improving the various stages of the project.

The people of Greater Sherbrooke are also invited to participate in the process and share their ideas or issues that concern them in the redevelopment of the area.

### Four simple ways to contribute

1) Participatory design workshop at the beginning of the mandate on the theme "Together, imagine our Well South." On Thursday, July 20, from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm at the Jean-Besré Performing Arts Center (250, rue du Dépôt). Book your place with Philippe Cadieux, by email at philippe.cadieux@ville.sherbrooke.qc.ca.

2) Online survey to share your ideas and comments: From July 21 to September 29. Fill it online at sherbrooke.ca/wellinc

3) Comments and ideas at all times during the project. By e-mail: philippe.cadieux@ville.sherbrooke.qc.ca or in person: Well inc. (36 Wellington Street South, Suite 200) is open every Wednesday from 1 pm to 5 pm.

4) Citizen consultation evening for the submission of the draft Master Plan for Development and Development in November.

To learn more about Quartier Well inc. or to consult the guiding documents visit sherbrooke.ca/wellinc.

## 2018 Hyundai Elantra GT



PHOTO: V. Aubé

Undeniable European flavour



By Vincent Aubé

For 2018, the small Korean 5-door model has been revamped from end to end, this after a relatively successful year enjoyed by the sedan version of the Elantra. Hyundai has work to do before it can hope to lay claim to the best-selling car in Canada. If you ask us, we feel it likely that that title will soon belong to a compact SUV – that market segment continues to grow on a seemingly daily basis.

Of course, it's a fool's game trying to predict how Canadian consumers are going to react. For the moment, all we can say for sure that the new 2018 Hyundai Elantra GT is worth a close look. Here's our review...

First, a stroll around the new GT, which reveals first off that the front fascia ties in better with the one featured on the Elantra sedan, while still remaining distinct. The designers at Hyundai call it a cascade-style grille, the curves on its bottom portion having been drawn to evoke moving water. As for the headlights, they've been aptly placed at the extremities of the side edges that stretch back to the rear of the car. In contrast with the previous model, this line is as straight as can be, while the lateral fenestration adopts a singular form towards the rear roof pillar.

Clearly there's some European influence behind this design. In fact the representatives at Hyundai Canada are totally upfront about the fact that this car is a response to the demands and preferences of the Canadian market. The Americans have shown little interest for this variant designed above all for the European market. One other notable feature of the new GT is the presence of 18-inch alloy wheels, as opposed to the 17-inch wheels supporting the other Elantras.

### Quality inside

That this car belongs to the Elantra lineup would normally mean it borrows components from the other mod-

els' interiors. And yet, just like with the previous edition, the environment inside the Elantra GT is not the same as it is in the sedan. The hatchback gets a more linear dashboard, which integrates Hyundai's first "floating" touchscreen. In these and most of the other elements, in term of both materials and assembly, quality is king.

The brain-trust at Hyundai decided to spread the wealth and include the 8-inch screen in all versions; on the other hand, only the top-of-the-line trim gets integrated navigation. For the others, the Apple CarPlay and Android Auto systems are quite acceptable substitutes. Also worth noting are the ergonomics aboard the 2018 Elantra GT, which benefit greatly from judiciously placed main controls. Driving position also proves easy to find, and here we have proof that you don't need to restrict yourself to high-end performance cars to benefit from a steering wheel that is pleasant to hold and handle. Purists may want to take note that the base model's naturally aspirated engine also comes accompanied by a traditional hand brake, while the turbo version features a button instead.

The front-row seats offer good lateral support, and in fact seem tailor-made for twisting country roads. Behind them, the bench is harder on passengers' backs and behinds, but not uncomfortably so. Move farther back still, and you get a trunk with a total loading space of 705 litres – superior to that offered by the Honda HR-V! While it doesn't fold all the way down flat, the rear bench does allow for loading oversized items, plus the floor of the trunk can be lowered if needed.

### Exploring the hidden roads of the Laurentians and Lanaudière

Designed for the most part in Germany, the 2018 Hyundai Elantra GT is under pressure to deliver the goods in an increasingly demanding market segment. At the very least, the firmness of the chassis is an encouraging sign, as it held up nicely even when attaining speeds well beyond the speed limit. The suspension is itself also relatively firm for a model not really considered a performance car.

We started off behind the wheel of an Elantra GT Sport equipped with a 6-speed manual transmission box bolted to a 1.6L, 4-cylinder turbocharged engine, which can generate 201 hp

and 195 lb-ft of torque. This set-up was easily up to the tasks asked of it, although I never really felt able to finesse the full advertised power out of it. As for the musicality of the mechanics, the Elantra Sport sedan we tried out last winter clearly had more lung power than the GT, if you catch our drift! We also felt that the steering was a little too much on the soft side to fully satisfy fans of sporty driving. The car is certainly no slouch when it comes to the way it handles itself on the road, quite the opposite, but a few more notches up the exhilaration scale would have been welcome.

In the Sport version, the rear suspension uses a dual-link configuration, while for the lower trims Hyundai has opted for rigid axles. On the beautiful but time-worn roads we were driving, this detail was quickly apparent; our GT Sport reacted a little more brusquely in certain situations. That said, this difference between the suspension systems will not even be noticeable to the vast majority of owners in daily driving. In any event, the smaller 17-inch alloy wheels help smooth out the ride.

Obviously, the 2.0L 4-cylinder engine is not as dynamic as the 1.6L turbo, but it still manages to deliver 162 hp, and its maximum 150 lb-ft of torque places it squarely in the middle of its category. We tried out a version equipped with a 6-speed automatic transmission, which did its work with discreet competence. Hyundai continues to offer a manual gear box with this engine, while the optional dual-clutch 7-speed makes for a suitable alternative for consumers who don't feel like dealing with three pedals.

### The verdict

The new 2018 Hyundai Elantra GT emphatically announces its arrival on the market with a chassis that is rejuvenated, more self-assured and fun to drive. While it can't really be placed alongside the Volkswagen GTI, Honda Civic Si or others that deliver superior performance, it acquits itself very well in comparison with most other compact hatchbacks. And Canadians will surely fall under the spell of its European styling and demeanour.

At the moment of writing this review, Hyundai Canada has not yet announced pricing, but we're optimistic that the numbers will look very similar to those for the previous model.

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# Local Sports

Being part of Canada's resurgence on the world stage is added incentive for 25-year-old Genevieve Lalonde, who holds the Canadian record in 3,000 metre steeplechase.

## Canadian track stars enter national championships on high after Rio success

By Lisa Wallace  
THE CANADIAN PRESS

Damain Warner says he can sense the optimism around Canada's track and field athletes.

The country's top athletics stars are in Ottawa this week for the Canadian track and field championships. They enter the competition riding a wave of success from the 2016 Rio Olympics that saw Canada win six medals in athletics, led by sprinter Andre De Grasse's silver in the men's 200 metres and bronze in the 100 and 4x100 relay.

Derek Drouin won gold in high jump, while Warner and Brianne Theisen-Eaton won bronze in decathlon and heptathlon, respectively.

"Over the last little while it's been really cool to see the transition," Warner said Wednesday. "With Andre, and the relay team and me and Derek and Brianne and (runner Melissa Bishop) doing really well. There's a whole bunch of

other people doing extremely well so it's kind of cool to be a part of that whole excitement and whole trend and I think it's going to continue to grow."

Warner will be competing in hurdles and long jump in Ottawa as a tune-up for the decathlon at the world championships in London next month.

"I'm qualified in the decathlon right now so I'm looking to come out here and compete," said Warner. "I won the Canadian championships in hurdles in 2015 so I'd like to get that championship back."

Glenroy Gilbert, interim head coach at Athletics Canada and 1996 Olympic gold medalist in the 4x100 relay, says it's exciting to see Canada making a name for itself on the world stage.

"There were some dark times," said Gilbert, who will be inducted into Athletics Canada's Hall of Fame Wednesday night. "We've won five, eight, six medals at the last three big world events and we've never been in that place. This is a

unique group of athletes that we have and it's a unique time for Canadian athletics."

Being part of Canada's resurgence on the world stage is added incentive for 25-year-old Genevieve Lalonde, who holds the Canadian record in 3,000 metre steeplechase.

"From the Pan Am Games when they were in Toronto until now and beyond we've seen athletes coming from nowhere and breaking into that international scene and doing really well and having those high performances at major championships when it counts," said Lalonde. "Athletics in Canada is growing and it's exciting and we've got a lot of athletes who are doing well so to be a part of that is just amazing."

Ottawa track and field enthusiasts will have a chance to see some of the country's best this week as they compete for the opportunity to represent Canada at the World Championships.

Drouin and De Grasse, who will de-

fend his Canadian 100-metre title and run in the 200, will be joined by Bishop in the 800 metres and Shawn Barber and Alysha Newman in pole vault.

Drouin admits there is a challenge following an Olympic year, but he took some time off and feels confident after returning to action, and despite results not being exactly where he wants them.

"I've been pretty much on par with where I've been at in years past, but I always am expecting more," said Drouin. "If I didn't have the experiences of the last couple seasons of I knew this is where I was yet I was able to get to a certain point when it mattered I might be a little bit discouraged."

"I'm an athlete and always expect more, but it's important to keep yourself in check and realize this is a journey and the real important meets are in a month and a half from now and I'm gearing for that and I'm confident with the progression."

## Senators sign goaltender Chris Driedger to one year, two way contract

The Canadian Press

The Ottawa Senators have signed goaltender Chris Driedger to a one-year, two-way contract.

The deal is worth US\$735,000 at the

NHL level and \$70,000 in the American Hockey League.

The 23-year-old Driedger spent the majority of last season with AHL's Binghamton Senators, posting a 12-19-1 record with a 3.22 goals-against average,

.900 save percentage and one shutout in 34 games. He also made one appearance with Ottawa and two with Wichita of the ECHL.

Selected by the Senators in the third-round (76th overall) in the 2012 NHL

draft, the six-foot-four, 204-pound netminder has appeared in 82 career AHL games since making his professional debut in 2013-14, posting a 36-34-6 record with two career shutouts.

## Canada advances to U19 basketball quarter finals with win over Angola

The Canadian Press

Danilo Djuricic scored 22 points and Canada advanced to the quarter-finals of the FIBA U19 Basketball World Cup with an 87-65 win over

Angola on Wednesday.

Abu Kigab was effective on both ends of the floor for Canada with 17 points and 16 rebounds. RJ Barrett added 18 points, seven rebounds and four assists.

"Coach told me not to hesitate on my

shot, so when I was open I let it fly and it was falling today," Djuricic said. "We had a tough first half but we picked up our defensive intensity and our intensity overall in the second (half) to get the win."

Canada, looking for its first medal at the tournament, will face either France or Puerto Rico on Friday in the quarter-finals.

## Canadiens name former defenceman Bouillon player development coach

The Canadian Press

Former defenceman Francis Bouillon was named player development coach in a reorganization of the Montreal Canadiens' development de-

partment announced Wednesday.

Bouillon played for the Canadiens from 1999 to 2009 and again from 2012 to 2014 after a three-year stint in Nashville.

The New York native who grew up in

Montreal retired after one season in the Swiss league in 2014-15.

He replaced Rob Ramage, who was named director of player development, bumping Martin Lapointe up to director of player personnel.

Vincent Riendeau, formerly assistant general manager of the Canadiens' AHL team, was named director of goalie development and pro scout.

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## Today in history

On this date:

In 1415, Czech reformer Jan Hus was martyred. He was condemned for heresy and burned at the stake because of his outspoken appeals for church reform and for political and religious rights for the common people.

In 1535, Sir Thomas More was executed. More, once King Henry VIII's chief minister and friend, had refused to take the oath of supremacy accepting the English monarch as head of the Roman Catholic church. He was beatified in 1886 and canonized in 1935.

In 1777, a British force under General John Burgoyne captured Fort Ticonderoga, New York.

In 1809, French troops arrested Pope Pius VII, who had excommunicated Emperor Napoleon I.

In 1852, a fire in Montreal destroyed more than a thousand buildings.

In 1854, the Republican Party came into being at a convention in Jackson, Mich.

In 1854, German physicist Georg Simon Ohm died. The physical unit measuring electrical resistance was named for him.

In 1885, French scientist Louis Pasteur tested an anti-rabies vaccine on a boy who had been bitten by an infected dog. It worked.

In 1896, the boundaries of Quebec were enlarged to the shores of Hudson Bay, adding 306,765 square kilometres to the province by an order-in-council.

In 1906, Parliament passed the "Lord's Day Observance Act" to prohibit work, entertainment, sport and almost all commerce on Sundays. The law remained on the books until the Supreme Court of Canada struck it down in 1985.

In 1917, during the First World War, Arab forces led by British Capt. T. E. Lawrence captured the port of Aqaba from the Turks.

In 1923, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was formed.

In 1928, in New York, the first all-talking picture, "Lights of New York" opened.

In 1930, Fred Newton began swimming the Mississippi River from Fort Dam, Minn., to New Orleans. He reached his destination on Dec. 29 after swimming more than 2,900 kilometres.

In 1933, the first All-Star baseball game was played at Chicago's Comiskey Park. A home run by Babe Ruth led the American League over the National League 4-2.

In 1935, the 14th Dalai Lama was born to a farming family in northeastern Tibet. At the age of two, the child - who was named Lhamo Dhondup - was recognized as the reincarnation of the 13th Dalai Lama. The Dalai Lamas, both the head of state and the spiritual leaders of Tibet, are believed to be manifestations of the patron saint of Tibet.

In 1944, 168 people died when fire broke out in the main tent of the Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bai-

ley Circus in Hartford, Conn.

In 1950, in Nelson, B.C., 195 radical Doukhobors, the Sons of Freedom, were given prison sentences totalling 793 years on numerous charges, including burning schools and conspiracy. After much unrest in the 1950s and 1960s, the fanatical activism died down. Descendants of the original Doukhobors, a sect of Christian Russian dissenters, number about 30,000 across Canada.

In 1954, Argentinian Ana Beker, 36, arrived in Ottawa after a four-year, 27,000-kilometre horseback ride from Buenos Aires.

In 1957, Althea Gibson became the first black tennis player to win a Wimbledon Singles title, defeating fellow American Darlene Hard 6-3, 6-2.

In 1961, Robert N. Thompson was elected president of the Social Credit Party.

In 1967, the Biafran War erupted as Nigerian forces invaded an eastern region that had declared its independence on May 30. The war ended in 1970.

In 1975, a hailstone weighing 249 grams fell near Wetaskiwin, Alta.

In 1977, federal Solicitor General Francis Fox announced a royal commission to investigate mounting allegations of wrongdoing by members of the RCMP.

In 1980, former Canadian lightweight champion Cleveland Denny, 24, died 17 days after being knocked out by Gaetan Hart in a fight in Montreal.

In 1988, an explosion and fire aboard the Piper Alpha oil rig in the North Sea killed 167 crew members, including two Canadians. The worst disaster of its kind to that date, the explosion was blamed on a gas leak. The rig's owner, Occidental Petroleum, later offered families of the victims compensation totalling US\$180 million.

In 1989, Ottawa sold its remaining 57 per cent interest in Air Canada, completing privatization of the airline. Air Canada's new issue of 41.1 million shares was an immediate sellout. Ottawa had begun its sale of the Crown corporation in October. The Tories had sold 12 Crown corporations since coming to power in 1984.

In 1989, nine Indian tribes across Canada signed a mutual defence treaty to go to one another's aid in confrontations with authorities.

In 1994, Dirk van Zyl, the then longest-surviving heart-transplant patient - at 23 years - died in South Africa. He was 68.

In 1995, Saidye Rosner Bronfman, patron of arts and matriarch of the wealthy Bronfman family, died.

In 1998, a British court found Canadian Albert Walker guilty of murder in the 1996 death at sea of British-born Ronald Platt. The accused swindler was sentenced to life in prison.

In 2000, Kingston's infamous Prison for Women closed its doors in a private ceremony marking the end of a turbulent history at the 66-year-old institution. The

dreary stone facility had been the subject of at least 13 inquiries and commissions.

In 2001, members of Canada's Anglican and Lutheran churches voted at separate conferences in Waterloo, Ontario to forge closer ties.

In 2004, U.S. fighter pilot Major Harry Schmidt, who killed four Canadian troops and wounded eight others when he mistakenly bombed them in Afghanistan, was found guilty of dereliction of duty and fined more than US\$5,000.

In 2005, New York Times reporter Judith Miller was ordered jailed after she refused to identify a confidential source to a grand jury investigating a suspected leak by White House officials of the name of a CIA undercover agent. (Miller was jailed for 85 days before agreeing to testify).

In 2006, Stephen Harper met with U.S. President George Bush at the White House during his first official visit to the United States as prime minister. The low-key visit focused on world trouble spots and new U.S. border identification rules.

In 2008, Pte. Colin William Wilmot from the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry died in an explosion while on foot patrol in the Panjwahi district in Afghanistan.

In 2009, two Canadian soldiers, Master Cpl. Patrice Audet, 38, of Montreal, a flight engineer, and Cpl. Martin Joannette, 25, a gunner from St-Calixte, Que., and a British soldier died in a helicopter crash in Zabul province in Afghanistan.

In 2010, Queen Elizabeth addressed the United Nations for the first time since 1957 during her first New York visit in over 30 years; she then laid a wreath at Ground Zero.

In 2012, Col. Tammy Harris was sworn in as the first female base commander at CFB Borden, assuming responsibility for Canada's largest training base.

In 2013, a runaway train carrying crude oil derailed in Lac-Mégantic, Que., igniting explosions and fires that incinerated the small town's centre, killing 47 people and forcing the evacuation of nearly 2,000 others. Millions of litres of oil also leaked into the soil and nearby water bodies.

In 2013, an Asiana Airlines flight from Seoul, South Korea, crashed while landing at San Francisco International Airport, killing two Chinese students. A coroner found a third Chinese student, who later died in hospital, survived the crash but was killed by an emergency vehicle racing to the scene.

In 2016, an appeals court judge sentenced double-amputee Olympic runner Oscar Pistorius to six years in prison for the 2013 murder of his girlfriend Reeva Steenkamp. The prosecutor's office appealed the length of the sentence calling it "shockingly too lenient." (In 2014, he was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to five years, but served only one year in prison before being moved to house arrest.)



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### STANSTEAD/NORTH HATLEY

Frontier Animal Society benefit, the "Fixer Upper" by Lorne Elliott, this is a comedy in seven phone calls, cottage renovations and family manipulation, and summer in the maritimes, at The Piggery Theatre, Saturday, July 29 at 8 p.m. For tickets please reserve through Mary at 819-838-1421 in order for us to benefit.

### LENNOXVILLE

Fundraising Mechoui for the A.N.A.F. Unit 318, The Hut, on Saturday, July 15 at 6 p.m. Admission charged. Delicious pork, beef and chicken with all the fixings. Tickets available at the bar (819-346-9122), by members or at Clark & Sons (2881 College St.). Please come out and support the A.N.A.F.

### EATON CORNER

Come to the Eaton Corner Museum, 374 Route 253, on Sunday, July 16 at 2 p.m. for the annual Hymn Sing with the theme: Recognition of the Compton County Women's Institutes, along with favourite gospel hymns. Admission for Hymn Sing only, is a donation, and the singing will be followed by lemonade and cookies. Seating is provided.

### WATERVILLE

The Waterville-North Hatley United Church will hold their annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, July 6 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Rain or shine. Hot dogs, chips, ice cream with strawberries, cones and drinks. Admission charged.

### BROOKBURY

Centre Communautaire de Brookbury, 571 Route 255, Bury, July 7 at 7 p.m. we will be hosting the play Home Child by Laura Teasedale. Admission charged. Please call Brenda at 819-884-5984 to get your ticket. There will be a light snack provided.

### NORTH HATLEY

2017 North Hatley Antique & Folk Art Show, North Hatley Curling Club, 3245 Capelton, North Hatley. Opening night: Friday, July 7, 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. (beer, wine, hors d'oeuvres included in admission charge). Saturday, July 8, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, July 9, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. General admission charged. For opening night tickets, call 819-842-2145.

### LENNOXVILLE

The Lennoxville and District Community Aid will be holding a Blood Pressure clinic on Tuesday, July 11 at 164 Queen Street, Suite #104, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

### WATERVILLE

The Lennoxville and District Community Aid will be holding a Blood Pressure clinic on Tuesday, July 18 at the Town Hall from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

### NORTH HATLEY

The Lennoxville and District Community Aid will be holding a Blood Pressure clinic on Friday, July 7 at the Library, 165 Main St. North, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

### NORTH HATLEY

The Fixer-Upper at The Piggery Theatre on Friday, July 28th at 8 p.m. Written by Lorne Elliott and starring Karen Cromer, come see this comedy in 7 phone calls about summer in the Maritimes, cottage renovations and family manipulation. Tickets are available by contacting Janet McBurney at 819-565-9716 after 6 p.m. Proceeds to benefit Plymouth-Trinity's UCW.

### NORTH HATLEY

The Municipality of the Village of North Hatley presents Dreamland Concerts in Dreamland Park (corner of Capelton and

Main Streets) every Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and every Sunday at 1 p.m. (until Labour Day). Admission is free. Saturday, July 8 at 7:30 p.m.: The Pete Webb Trio. Sunday, July 9 at 1 p.m.: The Eastern Townships Concert band (L'harmonie de l'Estrie). Come and enjoy the music! North Hatley thanks the MRC of Memphrémagog for their financial support of this concert series.

### NORTH HATLEY

Benefit night at the Piggery, hosted by the MemphreMagog Community Learning Centre, Friday, July 14, 8 p.m. \$20 per person. We welcome back the Country Stranger Ray Seguin, who is a cover artist of traditional country music. Ray sings all the greats, Merle Haggard, Hank Snow, George Jones, and Johnny Cash to name a few. The MCLC has been serving our community for 9 years, now we need your support. For tickets, call Christine 819-847-2769, Patsy 819-843-7687 or Pervena 819-238-1285.

### NORTH HATLEY

Summer Solstice Celebration – Southern BBQ-style supper and a silent auction of services, experiences and small intriguing items. Great good cheer! Benefit our roof and Water for Women. All are welcome. Admission charged. Reserve tickets now; space is limited. UUEstrie, 201 Main (downstairs, Stoddard Hall). Friday, July 7 at 6 p.m. Info & tickets: 819-943-1215, vicepresidente@uuestrie.ca, www.uuestrie.ca, Facebook UU Estrie.

### MOE'S RIVER

The annual Moe's River Strawberry Ice Cream Social on Sunday, July 9, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Moe's River Church, parking in Ronnie Haseltine's yard. NO PARKING in the Mill yard. Bring your own lawn chairs. There will be music, dancing, raffles, great conversation, desserts, and of course, ice cream and strawberries!

### BISHOPTON

Bishopton United Church welcomes you to Morning Worship with Rev. Tami

Spires on Sunday, July 9 at 10:30 a.m. A Strawberry Shortcake social will follow from noon to 2 p.m. Everyone welcome.

### LENNOXVILLE

Need Help with your computer/tablet? Come to Lennoxville & District Community Aid to ask any question(s) you may have! If you have a laptop or tablet (ipad), bring them along so that we can better assist you. We may not have all answers, but we will see how we can help, or refer you if needed. When: July 11. Drop by between 1:30 and 2:30. Where: Community Aid office, 164 Queen St., suite 104, Lennoxville. Contact us if you have any questions prior to your visit: 819-821-4779.

### RICHMOND

The Richmond County Historical Society is celebrating Canada's 150th birthday with pictures, mobiles, stories and a quilt about what life was like 150 years ago, made by students in our local elementary schools, and are enhanced with artifacts that go along with the exhibits. We invite you to come and experience what life was like through the eyes of our children, learn about our local history, and celebrate Canada. A special exhibit featuring Local Women in History in Richmond County and Vicinity is also shown. The museum is located at 1161 Route 243, Melbourne Township and is open from June 28 to August 6, Wednesday to Sunday (1 p.m. to 5 p.m.). For further information or to reserve for groups, contact 819-826-1332.

### LENNOXVILLE

This summer, Uplands Cultural and Heritage Centre will be hosting the inspiring works of Margot Graham Heyerhoff, Braille for the Sighted in its art gallery. You are cordially invited to come meet the artist at the vernissage to be held Thursday, July 13 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at 9 Speid Street in Sherbrooke (Borough of Lennoxville). The exhibition will continue until September 3, 2017.

## Wedding dress codes demystified

THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2017

Dear Annie

**Dear Annie:** I recently attended the wedding of a college friend of mine.

In the days preceding the wedding, a buddy of mine asked whether I was going to wear a tuxedo. I told him no, because the invitation said "formal attire." I interpreted "formal" to mean I should wear a suit, whereas "black tie" would have meant men should wear a tux. We asked our respective wives and decided that "formal" meant suit.

The wedding took place during the summer in Southern California. I wore a true-blue suit, blue shirt and light red linen tie. I thought it was perfect for the venue, time of year and location. My buddy wore something comparable.

However, when we showed up in our suits, we were surprised to see that almost everyone else was wearing tuxes.

Business? Business casual? Business cool? Formal? Black tie? Black tie optional? Toptional? Is there a council of elders who decide what we can wear and when? I am writing to you to get the definitive ruling on am-

biguous attire definitions. Feeling underdressed is the pits. — Dressed to Be Stressed

**Dear Dressed:** Here's a brief overview of what wedding dress codes mean for men. If the invitation says "white tie," dress to the nines — with a long black jacket with tails, a white bow tie and a white vest.

To a "black tie" wedding, always wear a tuxedo.

If it's "formal," a tuxedo or dark suit and tie will do. "Semiformal" or "cocktail" denotes a suit and tie.

For a "casual" wedding, go with dress pants and a button-down shirt.

If you're not sure, err on the side of formal. It's less embarrassing to be overdressed than it is to be underdressed.

**Dear Annie:** This is in response to "Babied Pre-Law Student," who wants to attend law school out of state but is meeting resistance from her parents. What was not very clear was whether the potential law student is expecting her parents to support the decision no matter what the cost is to them. If her parents are willing

and able to pay for in-state tuition and expenses, that is a boon not to be taken lightly. If she wants to go out of state, perhaps her parents could contribute the amount they'd pay if she stayed in state and she could cover the rest.

If this person is truly "an adult and able to make (her) own decisions," shouldn't that include paying her own way? If anyone is still dependent on her parents for all expenses, I am not sure she is truly an adult. — Katherine

**Dear Katherine:** I feel the same way. Being an adult means being financially independent. I took the letter writer to mean that she'd be taking out loans and paying for law school herself, but I may have been too generous in that assumption. If in fact her parents are putting her through law school, she should absolutely not expect them to foot the bill at whatever the cost. Your suggestion — that her parents contribute an amount equal to in-state tuition and she cover the rest — is a good one.

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



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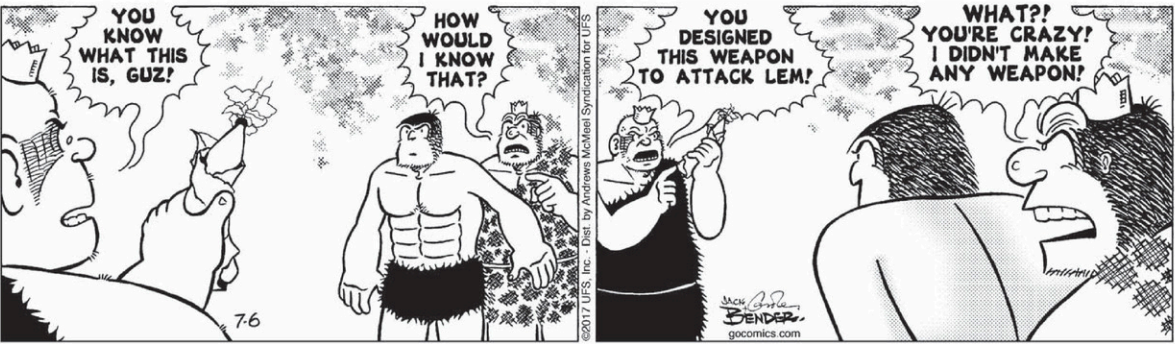


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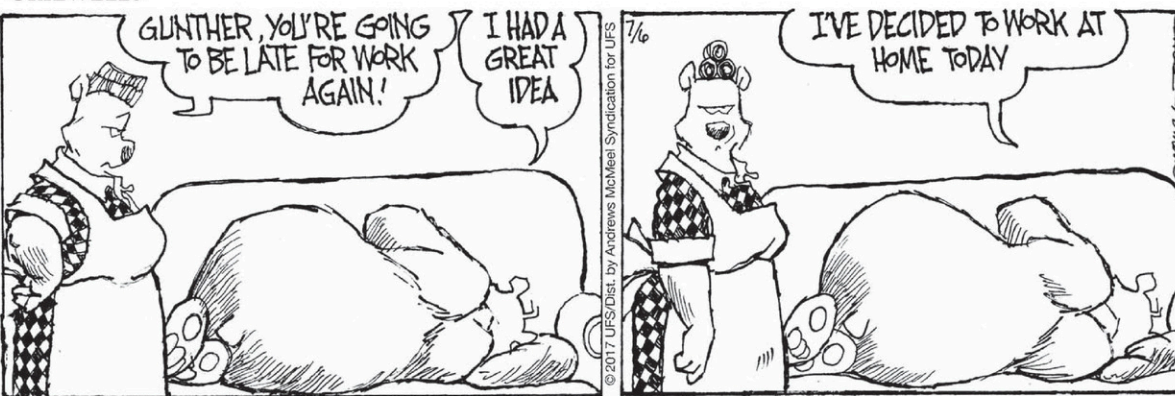
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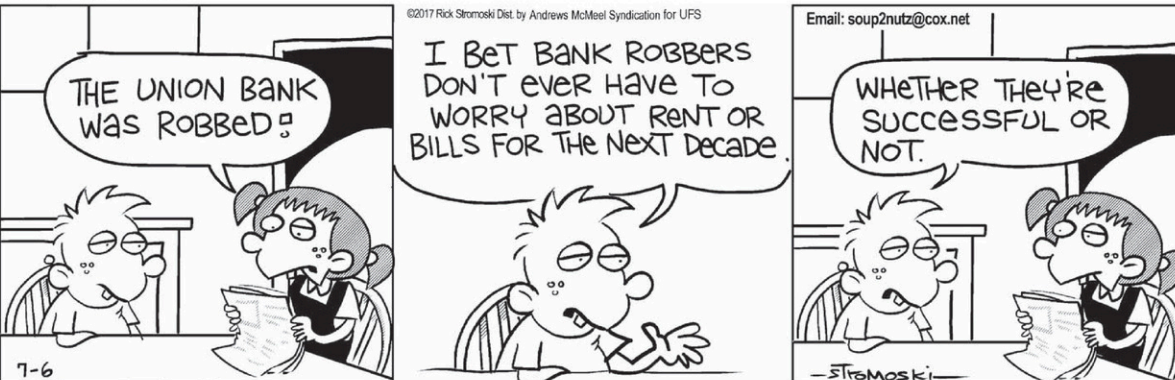
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