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BY JEN YOUNG

**See Susan  
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*I find inspiration in the  
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live.*

-Trevor McKinven  
(Monday, August 18)

## Former students seek BCS apology

### Association proposes Truth and Reconciliation approach

By Rita Legault  
SHERBROOKE

A truth and reconciliation association is being set up to try and get an apology from Bishop's College School for students who complain they were molested by a chaplain during the fifties and sixties.

Bishop's College School in Lennoxville is facing a class-action suit filed by former students who allege they were sexually abused by the late Harold Theodore Gibson Forster, who was a teacher, chaplain, choir director and house master between 1953 and 1962 when BCS was a private boys boarding school.

The BCS Truth and Reconciliation Association Inc. was founded recently by former students upset that some of their classmates suffered and continue to suffer as the result of abuse by Rev. Forster.

The association includes president Angus Curry, who graduated in 1965; treasurer John Cowans, who graduated in 1954 and went on to become an English and Drama teacher and then Headmaster of BCS; and legal counsel Carleton Monk, who graduated in 1968 and is a mediation lawyer in the Townships.

Cowans, who is the main spokesman for the group, told The Record that founding members of the association support the school and do not want to see it ruined through the class action suit.

"But at the same time, we support those who were harmed by the presence of Mr. Forster and we want to help them too, so what we are trying to do is bring those two sides together."

"We on the association believe in BCS and its future. If we can get them together, I think some very good things can come of it."

Cowans said the first step is to get those who were harmed to register with the association.

Cowans said the association was formed more than a month ago. Before it incorporated itself, it met with the Board of Directors, its lawyers and the current headmaster.

"So we have made overtures to the school and tried to make them believe, as we do, that it should reach out in some meaningful way to those who were victimized."

Cowans said school officials replied that the matter is in the hands of BCS's lawyers and that they could not say anything one way or another.

"But that can change and one of the jobs we have to do is to facilitate that change," said Cowans, who is not ready to give up the fight.

SEE BCS PAGE 3

## Can you do that?



COREY BELLAM

It's not a pretzel, it's a gymnast from the Gym Masters group that performed for the Cookshire Fair crowds last Sunday. Thousands attended this year's Fair under sunny skies. For more pictures from the fair see page 5.

## Battling Beaulieu

### Employees try new pressure tactics

By Nikki Johnston  
KNOWLTON

Employees from the carpet manufacturer, Beaulieu Canada in Acton Vale, are applying new pressure tactics to bring the company back to the negotiating table.

Friday afternoon, 300 employees received a layoff notice stating the factory would close its doors in eight weeks after 91.5 per cent of its employees at factory 3 rejected the company's final offer last week.


The offer included a 20 per cent base salary, instead of the 30 per cent requested, well as a reduction in the

number of vacation days and statutory holidays.

The Board of Directors of the Quebec Council Unite Here met yesterday in Acton Vale at 10 a.m. until the afternoon to discuss the course of pressure tactics.

At 10 a.m. this morning, employees plan to be out on the streets attempting to garner support from the population, said Gaétan Desnoyers, director of the Quebec Council in Acton Vale.


"Just because they issued layoff notices doesn't mean we can't try to convince the company to come back to the negotiating table," said Desnoyers.



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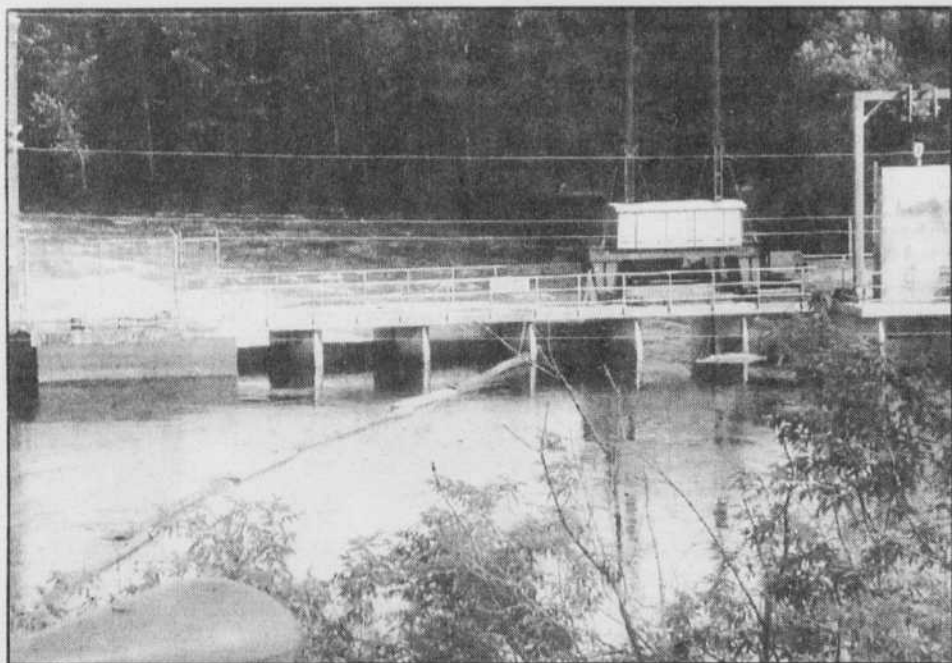
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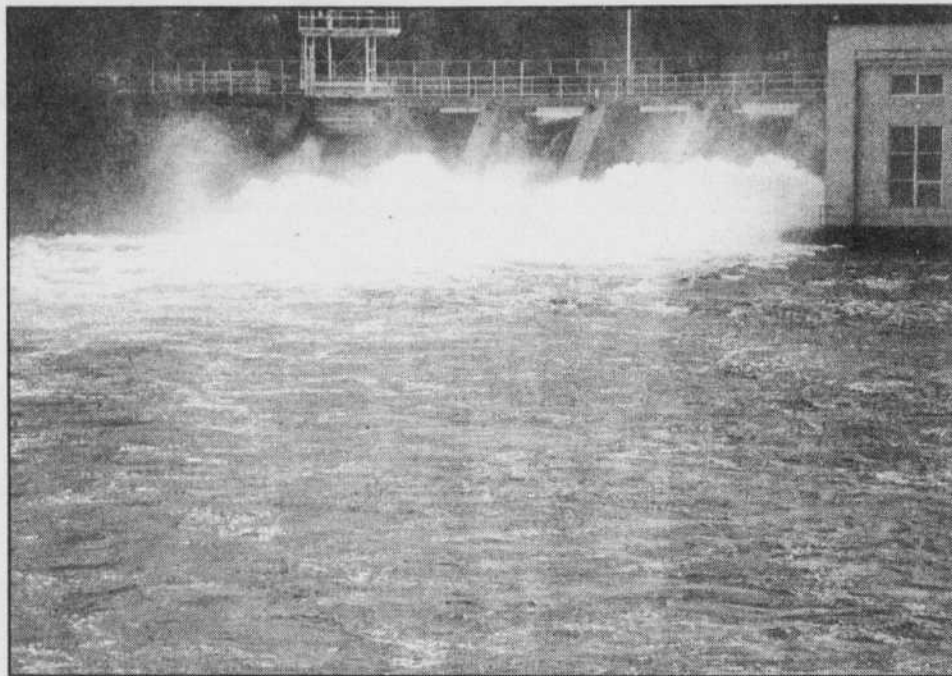


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# Damned if they do, damned if they don't



It's the dam on the Magog River at the former textile plant that controls the Memphremagog Lake level. For several hours each day its gates are held wide open until volume of water downstream requires that they be closed.



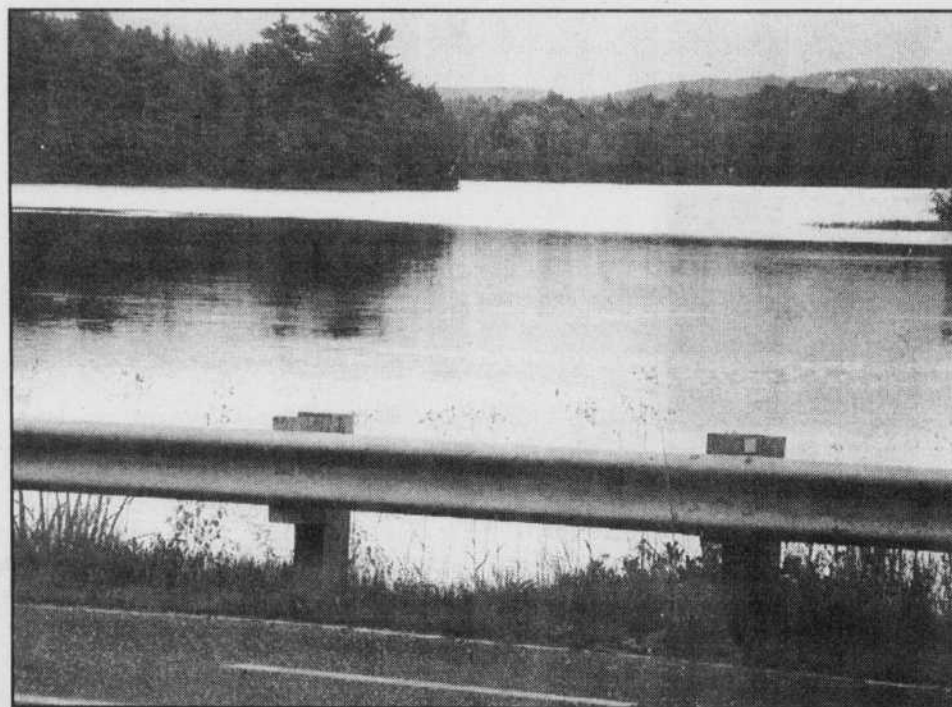
A huge lake-like reservoir above the Magog hydro dam quickly fills to a limit, where gates at the facility allow a flow of water that is flooding sites downstream as far as the St. Francis River in Sherbrooke.

## Newport's high lake caused by a dam at Magog...

Magog "dam-keepers" are "damned if they do and damned if they don't"; that is if they open the dam holding back Lake Memphremagog stopping water from flowing freely. Presently, with so much water in the lake, high levels are causing consternation at Newport, Vermont, and problems for many cottage owners. Those who manage a primary dam on the Magog River, which controls the lake level, have no choice but to let torrents spill over. It simply cannot be held back, and impossible to control at the municipal hydro generating site further down stream. There, dam-keepers have no choice but to release great volumes which are flooding out locations along the Magog River and into Sherbrooke. From there, run-off into the St. Francis River sees communities like Richmond and Drummondville experiencing serious flooding.

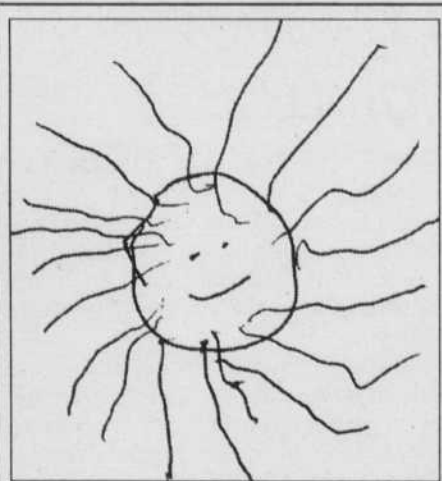
Reported as the worse season for high water level in thirty-three years, Newport and Magog are experiencing only a fraction of the problems being experienced by people downstream.

-Submitted by Charles Catchpaugh



PHOTOS BY CHARLES CATCHPAUGH

A huge body of water above the Magog dam quickly fills to overflowing. This and several other holding sites help control the flow of water into Sherbrooke.



Four-year-old Anthony Green says sun and cloud today.

## Weather

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## Food for thought

*-Persistence prevails when all else fails*

-Provided by Connie Bellam

## Ben by Daniel Shelton



**BCS:**

"Right now we are having problems communicating with them. We hope in the next months, they will be more willing to talk," said Cowans, adding that till then, the association will concentrate on registering members.

"I think the more people we get on our association, the better chance we have of being listened to," he said.

Cowans said he has also written to the alumni association asking for their support. He has not heard back from them and is not impressed with their lack of compassion.

"Do they represent alumni or not, or are there different classes of alumni?" he asked.

"I think the people who are following this, and a lot of people are following this, think that what we're doing is a positive thing," he said. "We're on the school's side, whether they believe it or not, and we're afraid for it at the mo-

ment."

Cowans said his association began by reaching out to alleged victims who have been chatting about the matter on the website Monsters and Critics.

A posting last week explains: "The purpose of the association is to reach out and help those students who were subjected to physical and/or sexual abuse while at BCS, to promote truth, reconciliation, and justice for them, and to foster help, reconciliation, truth, and justice for any victims of similar abuse in society at large.

"I am also interested in a lot of others who have not been part of that blog and feel they are isolated," said Cowans. "There may be many others. We don't really know."

Cowans, who said he was beaten but not sexually abused by Forster during his time as a student at BCS, said some were more affected than others.

"I don't think they've forgotten. I don't think it bothers them in the same way."

He also acknowledges there were likely different degrees of abuse. And back then corporal punishment was not unusual at BCS and other schools, private or otherwise. Students at BCS note discipline was physical and they were caned by teachers and prefects (older students).

"We want to appeal to the people who were victimized," said Cowans, noting his association especially wants to reach Old Boys who attended BCS from 1953 to 1962.

The association is asking victims to contact them at bcstruth@gmail.com. Those who are not Internet savvy can write the association in the old fashioned way by sending a letter to The BCS Truth and Reconciliation Association Inc. at PO Box 565, Chester, NS, B0J 1J0.

"We hope that in the next months those BCS Old Boys who have been harmed and who have suffered as the result of Forster's presence will register with us," notes the association on its website post. "As our numbers grow so

our power as a lobby group will increase to the point that we will be able to exert sufficient pressure on the BCS Board that they will do what is right; namely, first to admit publicly that physical and sexual abuse occurred at the school, second, to apologize for the suffering that resulted; and third, agree that full public disclosure must be made."

dral in Kingston - are what led his group to this particular path.

"Things were not always handled well," he said, noting that in most cases there is almost an ignoring of those who suffered.

"I think this is going to be one of the success stories where both sides come out winners," said Cowans, explaining he based the group's approach on the book No Future Without Forgiveness by South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

"In fact, I've written to Bishop Tutu to tell him about it and asked him for his prayers."

"According to Tutu's book, there are three states that victims and those responsible for victimization go through. The first is truth, and the truth has to be admitted and that can lead to reconciliation between the two. But before reconciliation can take place, there has to be forgiveness."

Truth and reconciliation commissions or truth commissions are established, usually by a governments, to reveal past wrongdoing in the hope of resolving conflict. The most famous is South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission set up by President Nelson Mandela after apartheid.

The Canadian government constituted a truth commission to shed light on systematic abuse in native residential schools. Chaired by native judge Harry LaForme, the first aboriginal person to sit on any appellate court in Canada, the \$60 million, five-year-long commission aims to give a voice to those who suffered and allow them to take steps toward healing.

Attempts to mend the damage caused by native residential schools began in 1986 when the United Church of Canada apologized for its role in running a minority of the schools. In June, Prime Minister Stephen Harper offered an historic apology to generations of aboriginals who were victims of a "sad chapter in our history" that began in the 1870s and continued for many generations.

Cowans believes the Truth and Reconciliation model can work in the case of BCS and be an example to other schools and churches dealing with systematic cases of abuse.

"If it goes well, this will have a happy ending many of these cases don't."

The Record attempted to get a comment about the Truth and Reconciliation Association from BCS management and its alumni association. Headmaster Lewis Evans referred us to board chairman David Stenason, who did not return our call.

**Doctors in favor of medicare**

Staff  
SHERBROOKE

Doctors from across Canada and Quebec are calling on the Canadian Medical Association and national and provincial politicians to support public health care.

As the CMA began its weeklong convention in Montreal this week, more than two dozen prominent Quebec doctors, including Dr. Réjean Hébert, the dean of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences at the University of Sherbrooke, signed the "Déclaration de Montréal", a plea to maintain and improve universally accessible, publicly financed health care system.

The declaration by Médecins québécois pour le régime public seeks to debunk the myth that system costs are spiraling out of control and show why a shift from publicly-funded system to private for profit funding and delivery of healthcare would not improve sustainability, and would adversely affect system costs, efficiency, quality and accessibility.

"The solutions to wait times and other challenges in the healthcare system are at our fingertips," said Dr. Simon Turcotte, a general surgery resident and founding member of the Quebec group.

"We have seen huge increases in the numbers of surgeries done in Quebec in the last year, all by improving service within the public system," Turcotte remarked in a press release. "We need to focus on these positive solutions rather than moving towards models of care that involve user and facility fees and private insurance that would benefit wealthy patients and their physicians at the expense of the majority - not a prescription the medical profession should stand behind."

"I signed this declaration because I firmly believe that patient interests, not those of a small group of physicians and investors, should drive decision-making in healthcare," said Georges Lévesque, an emergency physician and well-known TV personality in Quebec.

"We are calling on elected officials within the

CMA and governments to respond to the evidence, and to the real needs of Canadians, and promote reforms within the public health care system."

The Quebec doctors joined their voice to Canadian Doctors for Medicare which is asking for reforms to the health care system that focus on equity and quality rather than promoting private insurance and the creation of markets for buying and selling health care.

"We believe all Canadians should have access to a quality health care system based on need and not ability to pay," said Dr. Danielle Martin, founding chair of the group said in a press release.

"As CMA members, we are asking our leaders to propose solutions to health care challenges that will benefit all patients, not just those who can afford to buy private insurance, pay user and facility fees, and choose boutique medicine."

Doctors who support medicare are concerned that outgoing CMA president Dr. Brian Day will be replaced by Dr. Robert Ouellet, a Quebec-based physician who has stated he believes in a greater role for private for profit delivery in health care.

The doctors group released its own discussion paper on activity-based funding which notes the UK experience with ABF led the Chair of the British Medical Association to conclude just last month that the market has led to "competition not collaboration; fragmentation not continuity; inefficiency not efficiency," and called for "an NHS untarnished by a market economy, true to its beginnings, giving the public a fair, caring, equitable and cost-effective health service. Not a service run like a shoddy supermarket war."

"We hope that by detailing the experience of other countries, our paper will help CMA delegates understand the real risks of ABF, including lower quality, reduced accessibility, reduced efficiency and higher costs; particularly where it is linked to increased private for profit delivery," declared Dr. Martin.

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# Fort Nelson not like North of 60 depicted

The plane landed in Vancouver a half hour behind schedule. The pilot had informed passengers of the delay before departing from Montreal – a dog had refused to board the plane. Therefore, its owner's luggage had to be located and then removed from the cargo compartment prior to take-off.

On terra firma once again, the traveler almost immediately began searching for second-hand vehicles online. He had come up with an idea during his most recent stopover – wouldn't it be fun to buy a pick-up in Vancouver and drive it north to Whitehorse?

The plan had been authorized by his boss. The company needed another vehicle and it would be cheaper to get one in the south and drive it up than to buy one in Whitehorse.

It took three days to find a suitable vehicle – a Nissan Pathfinder – at a reasonable price, and get all the paperwork done. This was somewhat of a peculiar situation: a 27-year-old man with a Quebec driver's licence buying, insuring, and registering a vehicle in BC only to drive it to the Yukon and have it regis-

tered and re-insured there by someone else.

First the car and then accessories were purchased: a cooler, a 5-gallon gas can and some straps to tie it down with. One last wholesome meal with his hosts, a quick look at a map to see which way to go and off to bed he went. He was up and on the road by 6 a.m. the next morning.

The first couple of hours were easy driving. The roads were in good shape and there was almost no traffic. It was only after Squamish that things became less enjoyable. The up side was the never-ending panoramic view of lakes and mountains; the down side was the almost ever-prevalent construction and single-lane traffic.

The road conditions improved somewhere after Whistler, but he still drove up and down and around mountains for the next three hours. This required a lot of shifting, breaking, and keeping a close eye out for the numerous single-lane bridges that sometimes suddenly appeared at the bottom of a steep slope. All radio reception had been lost; there were no tapes for the old tape deck.

Driving became much easier again once he arrived at the end of Highway 99 and headed North on the 97, the Caribou Highway. The further he went,

Caribou.



the longer the distance between towns. Along some sections, the road didn't look like a highway at all.

He made it to Williams Lake early that afternoon figuring he was almost halfway. Excited about making such good time, and being in a town that had cell phone service, he sent a message to Whitehorse describing his location.

When he pulled into Prince George at 5 p.m., he decided to explore the town. It didn't have the touristy look he had expected; he was slightly disappointed.

He drove another three hours to Chetwynd, where he decided to get a room for the night. This BC town is home to approximately 3000 people, one bar, a Domino's pizza joint and a ton of hotels. Looking at the map that night, he realized that he had not yet arrived at the halfway mark. He hadn't seen many mountains once he'd gotten off the 99 and he hadn't seen a single animal. He had been hoping to see some wood bison – as had some of his work colleagues on the same trail.



SUSAN MASTINE

The adventure-seeker left the hotel by 7 the next morning, and took a shortcut that by-passed Dawson Creek and most of Fort St. John. His luck started to change. He spotted two mule deer on the edge of town; by 10 a.m., he had seen seven mule deer including fawns and a large buck, and an elk.

By 1 p.m., he had made it to Fort Nelson on the same tank of gas and had seen no wildlife in the past three hours.

Fort Nelson also proved to be somewhat of a disappointment. He'd heard many references to it on the show North of 60 and was curious to see it. The town does have a few nice gift shops and the people he met

were quite polite, but something unidentifiable was missing.

From Fort Nelson, the real seclusion began. The driver could go three hours easily and not see another vehicle let alone another building. It had also started to rain quite heavily. He was hoping to have enough gas to cross the BC-Yukon border into Watson Lake. It would be close but he still had the gas can in the back.

Just about halfway between Fort Nelson and Watson Lake, the weather started to clear and he saw a creature he'd wanted to see for a long time. There in the road was a female caribou with her spring fawn. He was awestruck.

He stopped the SUV and watched the pair for as long as they would let him. They were much smaller than he had imagined, and seemed to have really big feet.

More excitement was to come a couple of hours later. He'd been seeing signs warning of bison on the road without any sign of a live specimen. He was starting to give up all hope when he saw something lying on the side of the road way ahead of him. It was a large wood bison.

The Yukon-bound young man was ecstatic. He was able to take a bunch of photos of this beast from the side of the road and the bison didn't even budge. No more than five minutes later he saw a whole herd of bison. Within an hour, he saw over 60 head on the sides of the road – it was like being in a wildlife park.

That was pretty much the last of his excitement. He still had close to eight hours of driving left and most of the rest of it west bound with the sun in his eyes – a disadvantage when the sun doesn't set until 10:30 p.m. He did see two black bears near the end of the trip, but he was sure glad to reach Whitehorse shortly after midnight. The drive took a total of 31 hours and just over \$400 in gas, but he'd do it again – except in snowy weather.



Heard of bison.

ALL PHOTOS BY SUSAN MASTINE

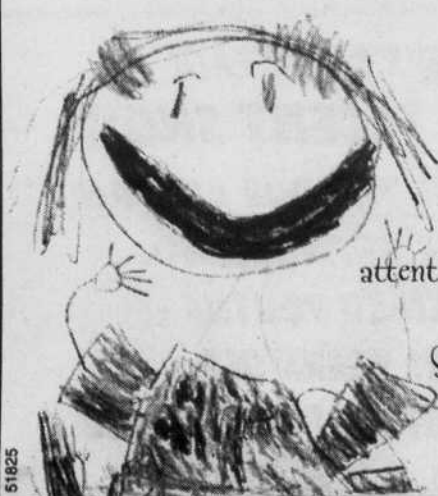
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Wood bison.

## What the...?

I had a feeling it would come to this: The United States military has recently hired a group of scientists from three well-known universities to conduct research which it hopes will lead to a "gadget" capable of reading our thoughts.

Armed with a \$4million grant from the U.S. Army, the scientists are studying brain signals in an attempt to decipher what a person is thinking and to whom the message is being directed. The researchers are using electroencephalography (EEG) technology to measure the brain's activity. Volunteers (At Gitmo, I presume) wear an electrode cap and are asked to think of a specific word. Scientists then analyze the brainwave activity. It is hoped that computer software will eventually be designed to translate the brain signal variations into language.

The army claims the technology would be used to assist brain-injured soldiers or perhaps stroke victims to communicate. "This will never be used without somebody's real, active consent," said lead researcher Michael D'Zmura. The research is still years away from any practical use.

-Compiled by Mike McDevitt  
With files from the Associated Press

# Vaccine baits to be dropped in Estrie and Montérégie

By Rita Legault  
SHERBROOKE

Provincial wildlife officials began a major campaign to prevent the spread of rabies in the Estrie and Montérégie regions yesterday, distributing vaccine baits to inoculate local raccoons, skunks, and foxes against the deadly disease.

Between now and August 23, wildlife agents from the ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune will be spreading almost a million animal treats containing oral vaccinations over a 9000 square kilometer area.

Over the coming days, planes and helicopters will be flying low to drop the vaccine baits in wooded areas. Clearly identified teams of wildlife officials will also be out on foot distributing oral rabies vaccine baits in urban zones.

The baits are small, brownish-green plastic pouches the size of a biscuit that contain food and a vaccine. The words "Rabies Vaccine DO NOT EAT" and a toll-free information number appear on each bait cube.

Since the beginning of 2008, 21 cases of rabies were reported in Quebec. That was 19 raccoons and two skunks that tested positive for the disease.

The area affected by the rabies is mainly the south end of the Montérégie, near Farnham and Noyan, said Pierre Canac-Marquis, rabies control co-ordinator for Quebec's ministry of natural resources.

Canac-Marquis said the good news is that rabies is found in the same places as previous years. That means the disease is contained and not spreading.

The first case in Quebec was reported in 2006 in Dunham, he said. In 2007, most cases were along the Richelieu River between St-Jean sur Richelieu and

the American border, he added. There was also an isolated case in Sutton.

So far there has not been a single case in the Estrie region, but the ministry has stepped up effort because of the large number of cases south of the border in Vermont. Canac-Marquis told the Record.

"What concerns us is that there are rabies cases about 20 kilometers south of Lake Memphremagog," he said, noting they want to prevent rabies from spreading north of the border.

Also called hydrophobia, rabies is a contagious and fatal viral disease that can be transmitted from animals to humans through the saliva of an infected animal, usually from a bite. Domestic animals, notably dogs and cats but also livestock, can therefore transmit the disease if they come into contact with a rabid animal.

To ensure the success of the operation, and to protect yourself and your pets from the disease, here is some advice from wildlife officials.

- Do not touch the vaccine baits, even if they are not hazardous to humans, pets or the environment;

- In case of contact with a perforated or broken bait packet, contact the number on the back or call Info-Santé health advice line at 8-1-1;

- Vaccinate all domestic cats and dogs against rabies. If you have farm animals, consult with your vet about the best way to protect them;

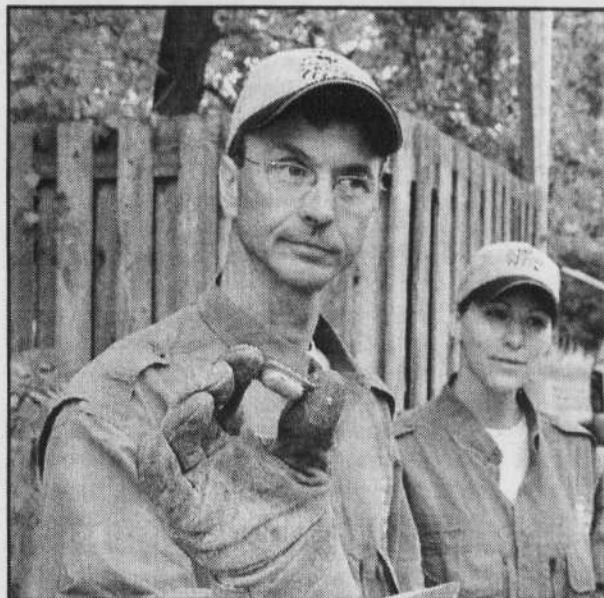
- Contact your vet if a family pet is acting strangely, even if it has been vaccinated;

- Do not move wild animals to prevent spreading the disease;

- Keep your garbage can and potential shelters out of reach of wild animals;

- Parents should also warn their children about the dangers of strange-acting animals, wild or domestic;

- Never approach a wild or unknown animal. In case of a bite, wash the wound with water and soap during 10 minutes and call Info-Santé to find out what to do next.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF QUEBEC'S MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDLIFE  
Marc Dussault and Marilyn Chevalier demonstrate what the treats from heaven look like.

Rabies can be fatal. The only complete treatment is a series of vaccinations before symptoms appear.

Once rabies symptoms begin to show themselves, it's too late – and deadly – so you may end up getting the shots to be on the safe side.

Canac-Marquis said help from the public is invaluable in the fight against the spread of rabies.

"If people report it, we can come in with a team and start dropping vaccine baits," he said, remarking that if you see a raccoon, skunk or fox dead or acting strangely - disoriented, paralyzed or abnormally aggressive or passive - report it to Services Quebec at 1-877-644-4545.

Rabies is the world's oldest recorded disease, and continues to kill more than 50,000 people and millions of animals every year. There are only a handful of cases where people have survived the disease.

The last known case of rabies in Quebec in a human was transmitted through a bite of an infected bat in 2000. The boy, who was unaware he had been bitten, died several months later.

For more information on this operation and on rabies, consult the Ministry of Natural Resources' website at [www.rageduratonlaveur.gouv.qc.ca](http://www.rageduratonlaveur.gouv.qc.ca)

Most of the information is in French, but there is some in English under the heading documentation. The ministry said it will attempt to provide more complete information in English next year.

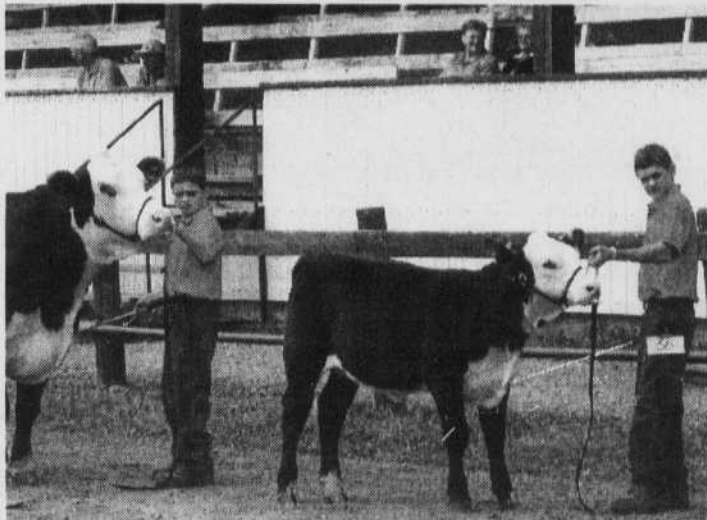
For information in English, try the Health Canada website at [www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/im/vpd-mev/rabies-eng.php](http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/im/vpd-mev/rabies-eng.php)

# Memoires of a Fair, the Cookshire Fair to be exact

Photos by Corey Bellam



Nathan Taylor (above)



The Gym Masters (below) and Ryan and Kyle Cork (above) show their prized cattle.



For further coverage of last weekend's Cookshire Fair see Wednesday's edition of The Record where Claudia Villemaire reports.



He may be cute, but he may also have rabies.



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# Community Forum

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Little Boy a fake

### Pick your heroes better

I was touched by Ken Wells' story of the five-year-old who would give his dying sister a blood transfusion even though he believed it would kill him ("Heroes come in all sizes", August 15, 2008).

But a still small voice whispered two cynical words to me: urban legend. It has the characteristics. A heart-warming story that was just a little too precious, medical details which did not quite add up (who ever heard of a blood transfusion curing a deadly disease?) and, most significantly, a source for the story that was just a little too vague ("a story I read about in Ontario").

Anyone can be a fact-checker these days. A few

minutes with Google confirmed my awful suspicion. The story has a long history, both on and off the Internet, and goes back almost as far as Ontario. It appeared notably in the nausea-inducing best-seller "Chicken Soup for the Soul" (1993), and was traced even further back at the website snopes.com, famous for urban legend-fighting. Snopes found the story was dramatized, remarkably, in Mary Pickford's 1925 classic, "Little Annie Rooney". At least that gives it a Canadian connection, and it's even an Ontario one (born Toronto, 1892).

Mr. Wells can continue to take that imaginary five-year old as his hero. But the recycling of the story as true in Mr. Wells' column leads me to wonder whether publishers have a special dispensation from fact-checking.

STEPHEN L. BLACK  
Lennoxville

## Editor's comment

### Fiction or fact? Does it really matter?

**Cynicism**=The doctrine of the Cynics; the quality of being cynical; the mental state, opinions, or conduct, of a cynic; morose and contemptuous views and opinions.

While some choose to believe in the bad, thankfully some choose to believe, and have faith, in the good. Not everything is a dark tale of woe, and with so many scary, horrifying, and very true stories right in our back yards, the light, humoristic or plain 'feel good' side to things can be refreshing. I would prefer to believe in that little boy, as Ken Wells does. People believe in things that have never, and probably can never, be proven everyday. I still believe in Santa, no one's taking that one away from me,

and I've never been abducted (knock on wood), but I'm convinced there is alien life out there somewhere. After checking Snopes.com 'Rumor Has It' (I tend never to trust anything based on rumours; proving them or not) there have been similar stories reported about such a giving little boy. They made mention of the 1993 best seller 'Chicken Soup for the Soul' and another story in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Magazine, but the site never comes out and says NO, THIS NEVER HAPPENED. How could they? How on earth can anyone state that there was never a little boy somewhere with an ail-

# Remember when?



Does anyone remember when this Richmond Flood took place? Send us in your memories of this day. Email us at [newsroom@sherbrookerecord.com](mailto:newsroom@sherbrookerecord.com).

ing sister who needed to somehow give of himself to help her, and he didn't once think that it was going to hinder or hurt himself? I have four children of my own, and my oldest (then 4, now 15) once dislocated his younger brother's elbow by accident. I remember that day like it was yesterday because he looked up at me with big tears and said, "Mommy, how can I fix him? What can I do?" I know in my heart he would have done anything. 'Out of the mouth of babes' they say, or something along those lines. I also remember my dad, who will always be my biggest hero, saying, 'pick your battles' and in this case, an uplifting story of a selfless act is not a battle I would ever exhaust my time or energy fact checking. I felt good after reading Ken's piece and I believe the objective was met. Like Ken, that tale, or story, or myth, or urban legend, or rumour, or fact, or even ideal of that little boy also made him my hero of the day. P.S. I couldn't find anything about the famous sea serpent that lives in Lake Massawippi, Whippy on Snopes, but then again while it can't be proven you still have people who have sworn to have seen him. Let's save our fact checking for news stories shall we?

**Hero**=a person who, in the opinion of

others, has heroic qualities or has performed a heroic act and is regarded as a model or ideal. Example: He was a local hero when he saved the drowning child.

That's what Dictionary.com says, but here is my own: My boyfriend is my hero because he picked up the kids from day camp because I spend countless hours in this office paginating pages and pages, and more pages, of Fair supplements I've never done before.

Jen Young

## Just to clarify

The little boy's name is Liam. This touching story was relayed to Ken Wells by Brian Caine, who was the former athletics director of North Country Union High School, and now at Colchester High School. How did Caine hear of such tellings you ask? By the boy's father last year, of course. Sometimes it pays to have faith.

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## Local team Canadian champs

### Blew the competition out of the water

By Jen Young

“We are Canadian Champions,” said a proud David Beaulieu recently returned home from Moncton, New Brunswick where his co-ed softball team played against the best teams in Canada, but not good enough to beat the Lennoxville based team.

“It’s unbelievable,” he stated last weekend. “It feels great. We had some pretty happy people on our team.”

Last year the Arlie C. Fearon-Fletcher Mecanique SPN (Slow Pitch National) team came in ninth after competing in the same grand scale competition, but they blew the competition out of the water this year. They left August 5th and according to Beaulieu the adventure didn’t start off so well.

“Our first game (Friday, August 8th) we lost 12 to 6 to a team from Nova Scotia,” he recalled. “We knew we could do better than that. We played again in the afternoon and won against a team from Ontario.”

From that game on the other teams were hard pressed to beat the Lennoxville locals.

“On Saturday we beat a New Brunswick team, then another Ontario team, and that put us in third place in the round robin competition. On Sunday morning we played the second best team in the competition and we mercied them.”

Beaulieu explains that mercying a competing team means that your score is so high that only four innings, instead of seven, are played due to such a large difference in points.

“Our score was 20 top 4. Then we played Northern Saskatchewan and beat them 9 to 5, which took us to the semi-finals.”

Monday’s day on the diamond saw yet another mercy situation.

“We played a team from Quebec. Don’t ask me where they were from. All I remember is Lac-something. We mercied them 12 to 0.”

Their mercy, with the help of Beaulieu’s grand slam and Marotte’s 2 for 3 with a triple not only got them to the finals, it also gave them two lives, which he explains means a second chance in softball lingo.

“We played them and they beat us 5 to 4, but because we had two lives we played them again 15 minutes later and we beat them 8 to 7. It was unbeliev-

## CJS makes a profit



MARIE-CLAUDE O'REILLY

The Lennoxville Youth Entrepreneur Jeunnox, or CJS, Program has concluded for another year and its coordinator, Carola Leibl-Cote is very pleased with the end result. She stated, while overseeing a group run car wash at Couche-Tard last Wednesday, that the kids were “great; but at times lacked motivation”. Which, in her opinion is something all teenagers go through. She says next year the teen run business will hopefully consist of more fundraisers. “We are still compiling all the information, but they definitely earned over \$1,000 this summer. This year (CJS) was a success.”

able.”

Beaulieu says the team, which is comprised of Beaulieu, Lise Lamoureux, Odell Lassenba, Jeff Grapes, John De-Boer, Tom Price, Brad Lassenba, Malhon Grapes, Lori Sparkes, Melanie Gregoire, Tara Mosher, Jessica Frappied, Brenda Marotte, and Dana Gillam, would not have been able to get to the Moncton victory lane had it not been for certain key supporters from home.

“We had a Michoui (last April) at The Hut and that helped us raise about a quarter of the funds we needed to get to the competition. I’d like to thank my dad (George Beaulieu) for doing all the cooking and The Hut for letting us have the fundraiser there,” he stated. “Two thirds of our money we needed came from our sponsors. Without Arlie Fearon and Peter Fletcher we wouldn’t have been able to do this, and Mr. Allatt from etfs really helped us.”

Lamoureux, who has competed in the Nationals for the past 17 years, was chosen this year’s MVP (most Valuable Player) and team base coach and ‘all around supporter’ Grapes, who accompanied the team on their voyage, was handed the game winning ball signed by each team member as a token of appreciation.

Whether they choose to compete again or not, Beaulieu says the rush and excitement will stay with all of them for quite some time.

There were only two minor downfalls to the trip. One; they were too physically and emotionally drained over that weekend to go and see The Eagles perform live, and two; the only nice sunny day was the day they got there.

“They had to postpone some games, but most of the time it was just mist and they still let us play.”

While they wait for their Canadian National jackets, which are supposed to come in the mail within the next few weeks, Beaulieu says the team is still hoping to participate in the Windsor Provincials in September.

“We’re not sure what we are going to do,” he concluded. “Do we go to the Provincials after winning the Nationals? We’re not sure, but I think we would like to at least compete locally. We’re not sure if we want to compete in the Nationals again this year.”

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Congrats to the Arlie C. Fearon-Fletcher Mecanique team that won the gold.

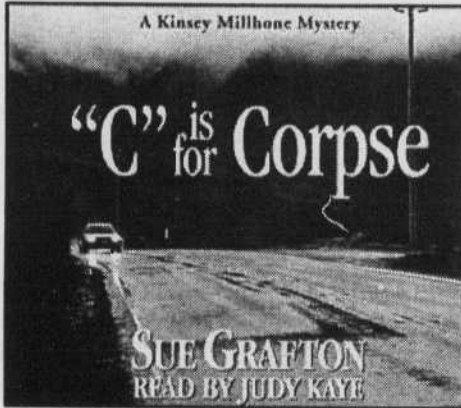
# C is for Corpse at Lenn Library

By Michelle Barker

**"I met Bobby Callahan on Monday of that week. By Thursday, he was dead."**  
-Sue Grafton, *C is for Corpse*

Good Reads seems to have murder on her mind these days. It couldn't have anything to do with having all the kids home for summer vacation, could it? Of course not.

Anyone who enjoys a good mystery



can depend on Sue Grafton to deliver. *C is for Corpse* (1986) is the third in Grafton's ambitious series of mysteries that will eventually span the alphabet. For anyone unfamiliar with Kinsey Millhone, the private investigator and voice of these books, you're in for a treat. Millhone is young, smart, funny and thoroughly authentic. The stories are told from her point of view and in the first person, which draws in the reader right away.

*C is for Corpse* is the story of Bobby Callahan, a rich young man who had planned to be a doctor until a suspicious car accident nearly killed him. He came away from the wreck not only with severe disabilities, but also with the conviction that someone had purposely run him off the road. The problem is, the accident also affected his memory. He is certain that he was targeted because of something he knew, but he doesn't remember what it was or why. He hires Millhone to help him get

to the bottom of it all, and soon, because he fears he might still be in danger.

It turns out Callahan comes from a rather colourful family. His stepsister is an anorexic drug addict with an attitude. His original father has more or less abandoned him in order to find himself in the Himalayas. His mother adores him but seems to have less affection for her new husband.

Millhone begins by trying to track down a mysterious red address book which Callahan remembers having given to someone for safekeeping - though he can't remember who. She's on the case for a mere three days when there is another car accident which succeeds this time in killing Callahan. This one looks like suicide, but when it turns out the brakes have been tampered with she knows Callahan's suspicions were correct and she is determined to find out what's going on.

Grafton often adds a personal subplot to her stories and this one involves Millhone's landlord, an older man named Henry who the private investiga-

tor is very fond of. Henry, it seems, has found himself a new girlfriend. Lila Sams is loud, evasive and makes a bad impression on Millhone almost right away. "It was her eyes that bothered me: a velvety brown, quite large, and, just for the moment, poisonous." Instinct tells her to keep an eye on this woman, for Henry's sake, because he is clearly smitten and has lost all objectivity. And Millhone's instinct is, as usual, right on.

The library has a wide selection of Grafton's mysteries, both in book form and on CD.

## Book Ends

There will be a library meeting on Wednesday, August 20th, at 7 p.m. at the library.

Watch for new books arriving at the library sometime next week!

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# Sychro swim without the hitches

## Cooves named Swimmer of the Year

By Jen Young

They were separated into older and younger swimmers, but last week's summer synchronized swimming gala, held at Centennial Pool, was comprised of young professionals for all to see.

"The show went really well," said 16-year-old swimming instructor Chelsea Laberee. "There were 12 girls in the class this year, but only 10 were able to compete. They did so well. At first I was nervous because it was my first year organizing the end of summer show, but then watching them was really fun. They did their routines really well."

All 10 young swimmers displayed their nautical learnings. Some performed combos (routines), while others bravely swam solos and duos. Group routines, where perfect choreography was a prerequisite, filled the pool for the August 13th event.

According to Laberee, the weather held out, which was a nice change from regular practices.

"The majority of our practices were in the rain this summer. The girls were really dedicated and came and practiced anyway."

This year's swimmer of the year was Rebecca Cooves, who Laberee said demonstrated extra effort and love for swimming.

Laberee, who previously volunteered her time to teach the synchro before being hired this year, was eight years old when she began swimming competitively with Sherbrooke's Les Amethystes Club. The Club, comprised of local women of all ages, has swum in numerous prestigious swimming competitions, and Laberee herself is an award-winning swimmer. She, and teammate Julie Gagnon, not only showed Lennoxville eight year olds everything they know over the summer, they also showed the 6 p.m. spectators.

Laberee says she would like to conduct the synchro lessons again next year, but until then she will focus on her own swimming as Les Amethystes will be starting again come September.



Paula Laberee (left), Jaimie Cooves and Sarah Pankovitch before performing their combo.



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The older synchronized swim team, Les Amethystes took to the waters after the younger swimmers put on their end of summer gala.

## Relax, signs not permanent: Allen

By Jen Young

Councillor Tom Allen says that the new Lennoxville sign that The Record reported on last week was never anticipated to be a permanent welcome to travellers, but instead a prototype of sorts.

"We had just put them up temporarily to see what some people thought," he stated Sunday evening. "We put them up with tape and asked a few people to go and see them, and to come

back so we could talk about it. They were never meant to be permanent. Those aren't the signs that are going to be there. It was just for an idea."

The signs are meant to be a stand-in until the new signs that have been promised by the City of Sherbrooke for the past three years Borough President Doug MacAulay said last month are received and erected.

"At least this one (which was placed coming into Lennoxville from the direction of North Hat-

ley) was bilingual. It wasn't that much bigger than the other one, but it was bigger," Allen says. "When (MacAulay) gets back from vacation he will have to take this up at the Borough President's meeting. We're still going to fight for this."

He said that council never deemed these signs as acceptable; only a happy medium until the new signs arrives.

Allen concludes by saying, "We also know that we will never satisfy everybody."

## Food bank feels gas pinch

'Down to every two weeks,' says Comeau

By Jen Young

The Cornerstone Food Bank brings hope to dozens of local families in need, and its organizers and founders say without the continued support from the public hard pressed families would be hard pressed to survive.

"Things are going well," says co-organizer Sue Comeau. "We are delivering every two weeks because of the price of gas. It works well. We just give families twice as much."

The bank, a non-profit organization that runs from the Huntingville Community Church, collects non-perishables and assembles care packages of goods for local families suffering from financial hardships.

"We make around 24 boxes every two weeks to deliver," she explains. "Praise the Lord we had four families that found work and don't need us anymore."

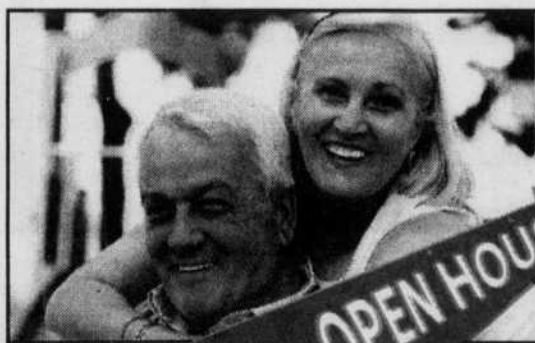
Being of a non-lucrative status the bank, and its volunteers depend on support from the community, and Comeau says there are a handful of dedicated local donors, including Bishop's College School.

"We have had a few different donations from BCS. The boys had a hockey pool and donated the pot of \$372, and Mrs. Carr organized a walk with the students. She asked each student to bring in cans over a two-week period before. They brought the bed of a pick-up truck full of non-perishables to Cornerstone"

Comeau, and her husband Perry as well as Judi Jensen, say it is well wishers like this that keep the mission of helping others alive and well.

Along with trusted continuous supporters, the bank has also received new contributions that have helped raise morale.

"Etf's has come on board with monthly donations and the churches have also picked up their donations. Thanks for everything that the community has done and continues to do to support us. We're blown away with the different ideas. Thanks for helping us help the needy."



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## Young, local talent to Saint-Francois

By Zachary Cy-Vanasse  
SHERBROOKE

In the five year history of the Sherbrooke Saint-Francois, the club has never had a week with so much off-ice activity. Last week started off with the club bringing in some young, local talent on defense in the form of Christophe Jutras, and Louis-Simon Allaire followed by the triumphant return, after three years away to work in Saskatchewan, of fan favourite Patrick Groleau.

The announcements keep coming from the Saints as well as now the club has gained some depth at centre in acquiring Miguel Delisle, a fourth round draft-pick by the Toronto Maple Leafs in 2000.

The 26 year-old from Cornwall, Ontario played with the Ottawa 67's in the OHL from 1998 and 2002 where he had 257 points in 239 games including a 95 point, 55 goal season in 2001-2002. Delisle also spent time playing for four different teams in the ECHL before playing with Saint Thomas University from 2005-2007. He most recently played out the 2007-2008 season with the Cowansville Voyageurs in the LCH.

"It's an excellent organization with a great fan base," said Delisle on his decision to come to Sherbrooke. "I know it's a place where a lot of players have really enjoyed playing. I consider myself lucky to be playing for them."

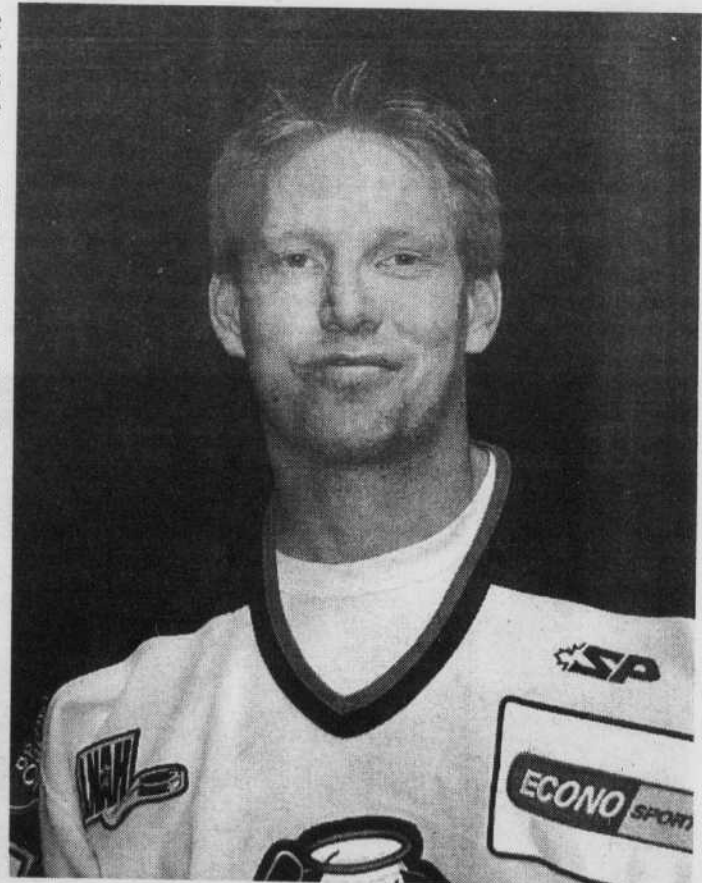
And the new acquisitions didn't stop with Delisle either as the Saints also brought back the "Gentleman Giant" Mike Varhaug and signed defensemen Louis Mandeville. Bringing the former University of Moncton defensemen in Mandeville to the club had been Saints' general manager Jean-Francois Grégoire's

biggest aim in the past couple weeks. "Anyone who was a fan of the Castors is going to remember this guy," said Grégoire on Mandeville. "He plays with intensity, he goes out and gets points, and he is a complete player. When he gives a body check, he really gives it. He can hit!"

Grégoire also expressed excitement in bringing Varhaug back to the Sherbrooke hockey scene. "We're very happy to have Mike back on the team," he said, "He commands a lot of respect both on the ice and in the locker room." For his part, Varhaug says he has faith in the Saints performance this upcoming season. "I think we've got a good season ahead of us," said the 6'7" forward, "Sometimes it's hard to tell in this league with all the changes that take place, but I have a lot of confidence in this team."

Finally, Saints coach Charles Morin has chosen his assistant coach in the form of last year's LCH coach of the year nominee Eric Morin. Morin was at the helm of the Lac Megantic Hurmel. Morin intends on bringing his experience and championships and has a game plan already in mind for Sherbrooke. "I want them to play defensive minded hockey, you've got a better chance of winning when you play that style of hockey," said the Saint-Constant native who has made his home in the Sherbrooke region for the past five years.

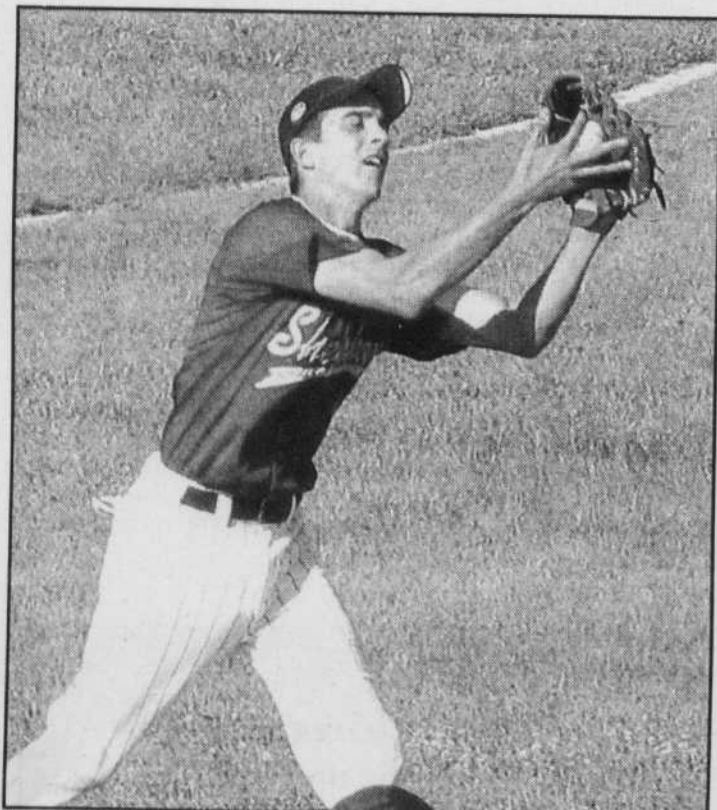
Despite all the additions the Saints have seen play out in the past week, they expect to be making more announcements between now and the start of the season in September.



#44, Mike Varhaug.

COURTESY OF SAINT-FRANCOIS

## BRP's St. Amand honoured



PERRY BEATON

By Zachary-Cy  
Vanasse  
SHERBROOKE

Sherbrooke Athletics BRP's Étienne St. Amand notched another beauty pitching performance onto his belt in Charlottetown, P.E.I on Friday night when he pitched a one hitter for Quebec against the team from Newfoundland-Labrador. St. Amand had previously hurled a no-hitter on July 15 for the Athletics during their regular season.

St. Amand was on the verge of

pitching his second no-no of the year until he gave up a single to the first batter he faced in the fifth inning. But St. Amand quickly settled back in to his unhittable groove and kept the team from The Rock off the board and off the base paths the rest of the way. St. Amand would strike out six in his one-hit effort and allow only one walk along the way.

The Quebec side would go up early in the game, crossing the plate five times in the first inning. St. Amand would take over from there as the squad from La Belle Province would score seven more times to take the game by a count of 12-0.

St. Amand's one-hit performance wasn't the only impressive feat manager Stéphan Bédard's boys put up on Friday as they also managed to steal an unheard of seven bases in the first two innings.

St. Amand was honoured with a plaque just this past week at an end of season brunch for his July no-hitter. The Athletics will face off the with Montreal Orioles in the first round of play-offs starting on August 20, at Parc Ahnastic in Montreal. Sherbrooke finished the season tied with the Orioles with a mark of 30-20, but had the lesser record in the head-to-head match-ups and therefore finished the season in fifth place while Montreal finished in fourth.

### Zach on air tonight

The Record's sports reporter, Zach, will be hosting The Show, which debuts tonight at 5 p.m. on CJMQ 88.9 F.M. He will host the sports show with Matthew McCrea. Make sure to tune in.

Death



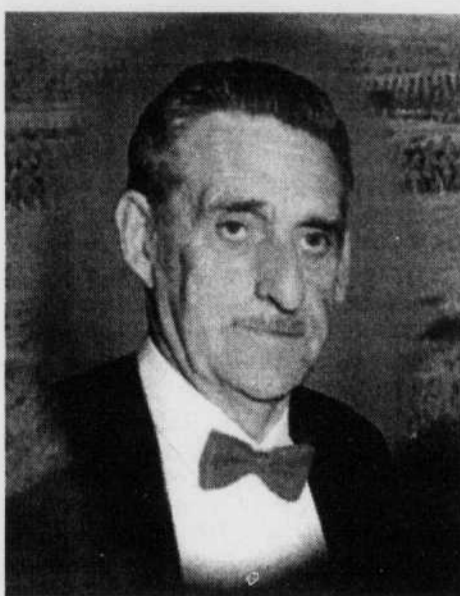
**MARSHALL, Pearl (nee White)** - Passed away at the CHUS Hôtel-Dieu Hospital in Sherbrooke, on Friday, August 15, 2008, Mrs. Pearl Marshall in her 91st year. Wife of the late Clifford Marshall, and mother of Phyllis (Stan), Bob (Theresa), Greta (Ken), Ruth (Rene), Lloyd, Jean (Bob), Ethel (Brian), Thelma (Desmond) and Len (Deb). Pearl also leaves to mourn, her 19 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren along with her nieces, nephews and friends, and is predeceased by her brother Norman and her sister Annie. Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 3006 College St., Sherbrooke (Lennoxville), 819-564-1750 / www.casshomes.ca where friends may visit on Wednesday, August 20, 2008 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. A funeral service will be held in St-George's Anglican Church on Thursday, August 21, at 2:00 p.m. Interment will take place in the Malvern Cemetery. The family would like to extend a special "Thanks" to Georgina Warburton for all the loving care and request that donations be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation, 2630 rue King Ouest, bureau 150, Sherbrooke, QC J1J 2H1 in Pearl's memory.

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A place is vacant in our home  
That never can be filled.  
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How sweet their memory still,  
But death has left a vacant place  
This world can never fill.  
How dearly we loved you  
And prayed you might live,  
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God gave us strength to bear it  
And courage to fight the blow,  
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THAYER FAMILY REUNION

The 111th continuous family reunion of Thayers of Lower Canada - East and Vermont was held at the Advent Christian campgrounds on 19 Pine St. Beebe, QC, August 3rd, 2008.

As it was a new location, there were only 21 or 24 in attendance. A much smaller group than of the 70 or 80 of years past!!

The usual pot-luck feast was enjoyed in the spacious dining hall; however the sun was shining outside at that time!! The grace written by Ethel (Hoyt) Thayer has become the traditional grace of the reunion and was read by Ethel's daughter, Alice Thayer Whitcher.

In previous years, the Canadian and U.S.A presidents have taken alternate years conducting the business meeting; however since U.S. president, Lynn Thayer was not present; Canadian president, Ernest Thayer, Jr led the meeting. He welcomed everyone and requested that they introduce themselves and also how they are connected with the Thayers.

The 2007 officers were for Canada Ernest Thayer (President); Wendy Whitcher (Vice-president); Kim Nicols (Secretary-Treasurer). For USA they were Lynn Thayer (President); Dick Brown, (Vice-President); Debbie Swistara (Secretary-Treasurer). Debbie has now moved to North Carolina so new banking arrangements will need to be made.

Kim Nicols gave the financial report. It was decided that the banking will be in a Canadian bank account now. The Vermont account will be closed, since so many of the older, very regular Vermont attendees have passed away and younger ones are not replacing them! Kim will also continue with the website she has established for the Thayer reunion's use.

The president on behalf of all present, expressed grateful thanks to Esther and Clarence Rolleston for making this campsite available to us!!

Several of the January newsletters had been returned unopened. Why?? David Thayer, the family's genealogist of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee reported that he had contacted several Thayer relatives in Vermont, but although they were interested in the information of their ancestors, were reluctant to give any present family information. Others have had similar results. There must be some reason for this!

Thayer family deaths reported since the last reunion were of Kermit George Brill, Sr of Barret, VT who died February 18th, 2008 after a long courageous battle with emphysema. Burial was in Barret Center cemetery Surviving family members include his wife of 43 years, Joyce (Mosher) Brill, his son Kermit Jr, and his siter, Laura Jane (brill) Thayer. Laura married Henry Alexander Thayer, who passed away in November, 1984. Another death was Helen Margaret Smith, On July 13th 2008 at the Canterbury Inn in St Johnsbury, VT at the age of 103 years. Helen was the daughter of Rufus and Elfrieda (Welch) Brown. Rufus Brown is related to Electa (Brown) Thayer, whose birthday celebrations evolved into the Thayer reunions.

There were no marriages reported; however several anniversaries were. They were of Merton and Verna Thayer of St Johnsbury, VT. 68 years as of May 2nd, 2008; Rupert and Gilda

Clark of Mansonville, QC - 56 years, August 23rd, 2008; Alice and Allen Whitcher of West Bolton, QC - 52 years this coming October 20th, 2008; Ernest and Ruby Thayer of Lachine, QC 47 years this September 9th, 2008; and David and Betty Thayer of Mount Juliet, Tennessee - 47 years in September 23rd, 2008.

Only one birth was reported. That of Caleb Sarto Greenwood, born January 10th, son of Dawn (Tetreault) and Sarto Greenwood. David Thayer reports the Caleb is a descendent of James Liscomb Thayer who died June 10th, 1891 at Narrow's Hill, QC and is buried in the Apple Grove Cemetery in Fitch Bay, QC

No retirements were reported. Illnesses were that of David Thayer who had Triple-open heart-by-pass surgery during a hospital stay from April 3rd to the 12th, 2008. He is doing very well now and was at the reunion with his genealogy information at this finger-tips! Richard Carbone (whose grandmother was a Thayer) underwent surgery the 14th of April and is doing well—hoping to get back to work soon. His grandmother was Isabell Thayer. Alice (Thayer) Whitcher had a partial hysterectomy operation at the BMP hospital, Cowansville, QC, December 7, 2008, returned home 4 days later to convalesce at home and now is awaiting the date for cataract operations later in August or early September.

David Thayer came the furthest to the reunion. Dot Morey lives in Florida now but was visiting her children and friends in Vermont so did not have so far to attend!!

Kim Nicols, since Debbie Swistara has moved, is being left with the total workload of the reunion and would appreciate helpers. Cynthia Thayer of Springfield, VT has offered to do the condolence cards, etc. Kim will provide her with addresses, etc. Wendy Whitcher will be the official treasurer. It will be a joint account with the President, Ernest Thayer since both live in a fairly close Montreal area. Kim Nicols will continue as mailing list manager and newsletter editor. Alice Whitcher will be the newspaper correspondent. Ernie & Ruby Thayer will mail newsletters to those people who haven't e-mail addresses.

The date of the 2009 reunion will be August 2nd (The 1st Sunday) and at the campsite in Beebe.

After wishing everyone a safe return home, the business meeting adjourned.

A drawing of door-prizes and a social time followed.

We were pleased to welcome Clarence Rolleston's niece, Ruby Wood and member of her family. Ruby used to come with her mother, Nellie Rolleston when the reunions were held in the Senior Citizens' hall in Newport, VT.

To add a bit of genealogy information; Two Thayer brothers married sisters of the Brown family i.e. Albert Thayer of Owl's head area in Potton married Electa Ann Brown, also of Potton Hill, Qc. Nellie Rolleston-Wood was a grand-daughter of Julia Aurilla Brown, as is Clarence Rolleston. Clarence's Mother was Annis Aurilla Thayer, Julia's daughter. Narrows Hill is in the area of Magog where the Lake Memphremagog narrows; I believe to what is called Little Lake Magog, near Fitch Bay.

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**MAGOG**

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**LENNOXVILLE**

Annual Quilt Show and Sale, sponsored by Lennoxville Quilters, will be held on Friday, September 5 and Saturday, September 6 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. George's Church Hall, 84 Queen St., Lennoxville. Admission charged. Refreshments by St. George's Parish Guild. Info: Margaret Littler 819-884-5952. Silent auction of a handmade quilt (the proceeds will be donated to the Canadian Cancer Society for breast cancer research).

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The Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) Sherbrooke and District Club is holding a Summer Market and Silent Auction as a club fund-raiser at 6 Church St. (corner of Queen and Church) in Lennoxville on Friday, August 22 (noon to 7 p.m.) and Saturday, August 23 (9 a.m. to noon). We are featuring a huge selection of books, plus CD's, DVD's, videos, handicrafts and baked goods. There will be a Silent Auction of quality items such as hand-crafted items, collectibles, and golf, gas and restaurant vouchers. Something for everyone! Many bargains for returning adult students!

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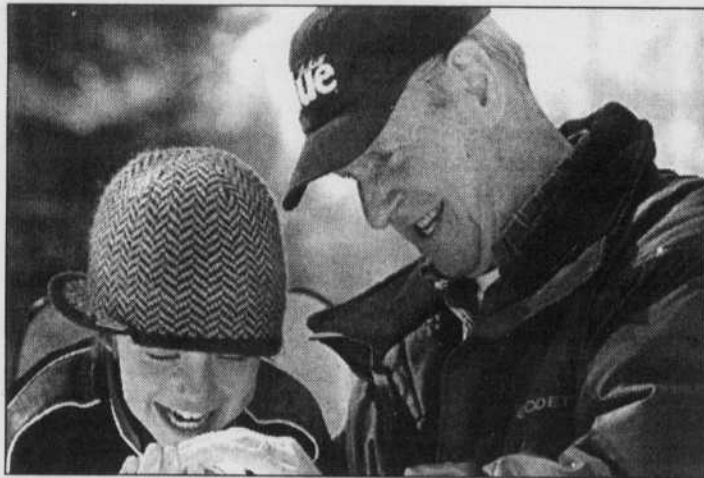
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# A family member sexually abused me

## Annie's Mailbox

**Dear Annie:** I am 19 years old. A family member sexually abused me until the age of 17. I reported it, but when I needed my parents the most, they were not there for me. They were upset about my accusation and made me recant.

I just finished my first year of college and seem to be having trouble moving on with my life and making friends. I put myself in therapy a year ago, without my parents knowing, but sometimes I feel I'm getting nowhere. It's impossible for me to let go of the abuse. Every time I read about a sexual assault in the newspaper, I get scared and panic.

I really want to put this behind me and show my abuser and my parents they didn't win. How do I do this on my own? — A Survivor

**Dear Survivor:** It's very hard to do it "on your own." You not only have to deal with the abuse, you also have to come to terms with your parents' attitude and lack of support. Pain of this type doesn't disappear easily or quickly. You were smart to get therapy and we hope you will continue. You also can contact the Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (rainn.org) at 1-800-656-HOPE (1-800-656-4673).

**Dear Annie:** I am 66 years old, recently retired and absolutely LOVE my solitary lifestyle. I sew, read, cook, bake, paint and garden — things I never had time for

when I was working and raising a family. I adore having my coffee on the deck while reading the morning paper. I have waited my entire life to reach this point, and I do not need or want company. However, I am constantly interrupted by other people who apparently have nothing else to do. They think because they are bored, I should keep them entertained.

One neighbor actually flagged me down while I was in my car en route to the grocery store. I didn't know her name, yet she spent 20 minutes on the side of the street giving me all the details about her husband leaving her. Anytime I went to the mailbox or sat on my deck, she'd drop by. I began to feel like a prisoner in my own home, so I started to completely ignore her. Now another lady up the street is doing the same thing. She wants to go out to eat, shop, take trips. I barely know this woman, and she has already told me her complete family history in two mailbox episodes.

Are these people desperate for companionship, or are they just using me as a private counselor on whom they can unload their personal problems? How do you stop people from taking up your time? — Like My Solitude

**Dear Solitude:** You can be a good neighbor without being overwhelmed by emotionally needy people who assume you are just as eager for their company as they are for yours. While doing outdoor chores, simply nod your head to acknowledge them while finishing your errands, then return to your house, wave goodbye and close the door. If you are sitting on your deck, say, "Louise, dear, this is my quiet time and I'd prefer not to be interrupted. I'll see you later." We don't recommend being rude. One of these days you may be glad for the companionship.

**Dear Annie:** As a baseball fan, I found your column about spitting very interesting. I do not know any sport, other than baseball, where the players spit so much. It used to be because they all chewed tobacco. Now that habit has just about disappeared and they chew wads of bubble gum instead. If spitting in public is a crime, then the TV cameras have an awful lot of evidence of offenders. — Dick in Jacksonville, Fla.

**Dear Dick:** We're not sure a privately owned baseball stadium is subject to the local laws regarding public spitting. But it would be nice to see less of it broadcast into our homes.

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

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: K equals X

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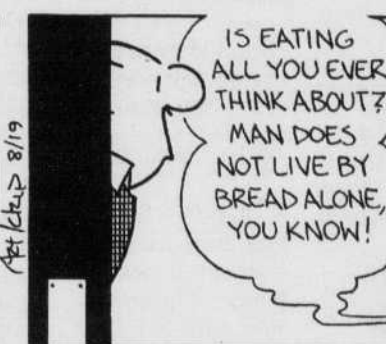
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# Your Birthday

Tuesday, Aug. 19, 2008

If you are particularly careful and frugal with your resources in the year ahead, this time next year you will find yourself in a solvent position. If you aren't cautious, things might change — but they won't be for the better.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) — That crown of yours could be a bit too tight on your head, causing you to blow small infractions out of proportion. Don't create unnecessary discomfort for innocent people who are doing their best.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You know better than to jump into financial situations without thoroughly investigating them first, yet that might be exactly what you'll do. The rose could be full of thorns.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Don't expect others to behave in a reasonable manner if you aren't doing so yourself. When evaluating events, remain patient, poised and logical. Keep all wayward emotions under wraps.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — The only sure way to get the desired results is to roll up your sleeves and do all the necessary work yourself. It's unrealistic to depend on others to do things exactly the same way as you do.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Strive to be congenial and go along with the will of the majority. Even if you believe what you want to do is far better, don't make unnecessary waves when outvoted.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — If you're caught off base and find that you're un-

sure of what to do next, follow the ruling of the umpire. Arguing about the facts as presented could get you thrown out of the game.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Avoid all philosophical or political discussions with those who are important to you, because they could take on exceptionally serious undertones and cause an unpleasant situation.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) — Just because something worked out well for another doesn't necessary hold that it will work out the same for you, especially if it's in the financial arena. Timing is everything, and the moment may have passed.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) — Before you get angry, consider the credibility of the source from which you're receiving the unpleasant information. Use logic to ferret things out and soothe your feelings.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) — It is rare for you to lack patience when called for, but if you get caught off guard, this could be the case. If you are in the middle of a task, pause long enough to be safety conscious first.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) — Avoid groups or cliques that contain individuals who have a tendency to upset you. You might not be in the mood to laugh things off as you usually do, and an unpleasant incident could occur.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) — A sense of humor can usually help offset an unpleasant comment or incident brought on by another. You may not have that patience or tolerance at this time, however, so be sure to follow your best behavior.

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# The strange play that is truth

By Phillip Alder

Mahatma Gandhi wrote, "In the attitude of silence the soul finds the path in a clearer light, and what is elusive and deceptive resolves itself into crystal clearness. Our life is a long and arduous quest after Truth."

Most people prefer to play bridge in silence, so that noise does not distract them. And this deal is deceptive, needing clear thinking to find the path to nine tricks.

Against three no-trump, West leads the spade jack. How would you plan the play?

You start with eight top tricks: three spades, two hearts, two diamonds and one club. To get up to nine, you need to collect a second club trick.

There is a natural reaction to play a club to the jack. "I was taking the finesse, partner." Unfortunately, in the cold light of day, there is no reason to make this play, which can only gain an overtrick when East has either honor-doubleton or king-queen-third. With this layout it costs the contract. West takes your jack with his singleton king and plays a card. You can no longer harvest that second club trick.

Here, initially either leading low toward dummy's club 10 or starting with

North 08-19-08			
♠ A K 5			
♥ 7 6 4			
♦ A 8 3			
♣ 10 5 4 2			
West			East
♠ J 10 9 8 7			♠ 6 3
♥ Q 9 2			♥ J 10 8 3
♦ Q 9 6 2			♦ J 10 5
♣ K			♣ Q 9 8 7
South			
♠ Q 4 2			
♥ A K 5			
♦ K 7 4			
♣ A J 6 3			
Dealer: South			
Vulnerable: East-West			
South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass
Opening lead: ♠ J			

dummy's 10 succeeds, but neither would look clever if it were East with a singleton honor. And ducking the first round fails when West has king-queen-fourth.

Everything works when the five missing clubs are divided 3-2. But when they are 4-1 or 5-0, the truthful play is first to cash the ace. Whatever happens, continue with a low club toward the 10 and you must, sooner or later, establish that second club trick.

# CROSSWORD

## ACROSS

- 1 Basie music
- 5 Salon offering
- 9 Heat-resistant glass
- 14 Winglike parts
- 15 Part of LAN
- 16 China brand
- 17 Coal containers
- 18 Maddux or Norman
- 19 Cromwell's earldom
- 20 Fireballs hit
- 23 JFK info
- 24 Syr. neighbor
- 25 Popular place
- 29 Loading places
- 31 Squalid
- 33 Outback bird
- 34 Verb-forming suffix

- 36 Floral necklace
- 37 Seize
- 38 Guns N' Roses hit
- 43 Gloomy effect
- 44 "The Bronx \_"
- 45 Clean air grp.
- 46 Taxi
- 47 Bombards
- 49 In need of scratch
- 53 Annapolis or West Point
- 55 QVC rival
- 57 Wash rm.
- 58 Johnny Cash hit
- 61 Pursuit
- 64 Inter \_ (among others)
- 65 Part of VMI
- 66 Fanny of vaudeville
- 67 Head support

- 26 Actress Gilpin
- 27 Muscat's land
- 28 Hollow cylinder
- 30 German port
- 32 Author of "Adam Bede"
- 35 Scaly inflammation
- 37 Bus. school entrance exam
- 38 Pet protection grp.
- 39 Female military grp.
- 40 Isle of exile
- 41 Pilgrimage destination
- 42 Offer a view

- 47 Gray shade
- 48 Bit of clowning
- 50 Outpatient facility
- 51 Horsedrawn carriage
- 52 Ms. Mimieux
- 54 Dance music
- 56 Agitate
- 59 Swiss painter
- 60 Old Italian coin
- 61 NFL passers
- 62 Mary of "Where Eagles Dare"
- 63 One in Emden

## Monday's Puzzle Solved

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- 2 Former S.F. mayor
- 3 Stomach acid inhibitor brand
- 4 Soap brand
- 5 Beeps
- 6 Missteps
- 7 Coral formation
- 8 Automotive bling
- 9 Ample amount
- 10 Affirmative answers
- 11 Hosp. staffers
- 12 Want-ad abbr.
- 13 Tic-tac-toe winner
- 21 "Liebestraume" composer
- 22 Antioxidant ion

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## Pizza on the grill

By Marialisa Calta

In this age of Domino's and microwave pizza, homemade pizza is a treat. And grilled pizza is a treat times 10.

Grilling pizza may sound tricky, but once you've figured out the method — a process that requires a little bit of trial and error — you have a killer addition to your culinary repertoire. The new book "Pizza on the Grill" by Elizabeth Karmel and Bob Blumer (Taunton Press, 2008) gives detailed instructions for successful grilling, as well as 100 recipes.

I've been grilling pizzas for quite a few years now and was thrilled to find my method very near to that espoused by the "pros." Since I know my own method well, I present it here. Buy their book and you will see subtle variations as well as far more detailed instructions. The salmon topping, below, is from their volume, which also includes such combinations as bacon cheeseburger, pulled pork, BLT and nacho pizzas. The other toppings given here are favorites with my family.

**STEP ONE:** Prepare a covered gas or charcoal grill for direct grilling over medium-high to high heat. If you're using a gas grill, be prepared to turn down or shut off one or more of the burners as the pizza cooks. If you're using a charcoal grill, make sure you have an area that does not have coals under it — an "indirect cooking" area — so you can move the pizza around if it starts to cook too quickly.

**STEP TWO:** While the grill is preheating, prepare or assemble all your tools (spatulas, tongs, oven mitts, etc.) and ingredients. Once the dough is on the grill, you have to move fast.

**STEP THREE:** Prepare the dough. I often use packaged pizza dough, sold in the supermarket. The upside is that it is very stretchy and resilient. The downside is that it contains "dough extenders" and other additives. If you have a good pizzeria or artisan bakery near you, ask about buying their dough. Or simply make your own with your favorite recipe. Roll out the dough into an irregular rectangle, maybe 15 inches long and eight to 10 inches wide. Using a pastry brush, slather one side with olive oil.

**STEP FOUR:** Grill one side of the dough. Transfer the dough to the grill, oiled-side down. I use a long-handled spatula and one hand to make the move. If a tiny hole develops during the transfer, don't worry. Cover the grill and cook for 3 to 5 minutes, checking occasionally. It is done when streaked with dark grill marks.

**STEP FIVE:** Add ingredients. Once one side is grilled, transfer the dough to a work surface, slather the uncooked surface with oil, and put the dough — oiled-side down — back on the grill. At this point, you may want to reduce the heat or move the pizza dough to an unheated area. Working quickly, add all toppings onto the cooked side, ending with the cheese, if using. Cover the grill and cook until the toppings are hot and the cheese is melted, 3 to 5 minutes. Slice and serve. It takes a little practice and familiarity with your grill to do it perfectly, but you will find that burned patches or uncooked areas of dough only make your pizza look more "rustic."



**A NOTE ON YIELD:** One pound of dough and the toppings below will make a pizza large enough to feed three hungry people or four with smaller appetites.

**TO USE AN OVEN:** Roll out dough, place it on a baking sheet sprinkled with cornmeal, top it, and bake it in a 450 F oven for about 15 minutes.

### SMOKIN' SALMON PIZZA

1 pound dough, rolled out and oiled as directed above  
 1/2 cup Boursin or other soft garlic cheese (one 5.2-ounce round)  
 1 small shallot, peeled and minced  
 4 to 6 ounces smoked salmon, cut into strips  
 zest of 1 lemon, finely grated  
 2 tablespoons chopped fresh dill or chives (or both)  
 2 tablespoons drained capers (optional)  
 freshly ground black pepper to taste

Grill one side of the dough as directed (steps one through four above). Do not put toppings on the dough. Simply grill both sides and transfer the grilled dough to a work surface. Spread the cheese over the hot dough immediately. Sprinkle with shallot and top with strips of salmon. Finish with the zest, dill (or chives), capers (if using) and black pepper. Slice and serve.

Recipe from "Pizza on the Grill" by Elizabeth Karmel and Bob Blumer (Taunton Press, 2008)

### SOUTH-OF-THE-BORDER PIZZA

1 pound dough, rolled out and oiled as directed above  
 1/2 cup salsa, mild, medium or hot  
 1 (14-ounce) can black beans, drained and rinsed  
 1 to 2 cups fresh or frozen corn kernels, cooked and drained

1 (2.25-ounce) can sliced black olives, drained, chopped (optional)  
 2 scallions, trimmed and chopped (white and green parts) (optional)  
 1/4 to 1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro (optional)  
 1 to 2 cups grated regular or reduced-fat Monterey Jack or cheddar cheese, or "taco" blend sold in bags in supermarket

Grill dough as directed. When it is time to add the ingredients, use a spoon to spread the salsa over the dough. Distribute the black beans and corn over the salsa, along with whichever of the optional ingredients (olives, scallions, cilantro) that you are using. Add the cheese, cover the grill, and grill until done.

### STEAK-AND-CHEESE PIZZA

1 pound dough, rolled out and oiled as directed above  
 2 tablespoons canola oil or other vegetable oil  
 2 onions, peeled and sliced  
 2 cloves garlic, peeled and chopped (optional)  
 1/2 to 3/4 pound cooked steak, sliced  
 bottled hot-pepper rings, drained (optional)  
 1 to 2 cups regular or reduced-fat cheddar or Jack cheese

While the grill is preheating, heat the oil in a skillet and cook the onions, stirring, until quite soft, about 7 minutes. Add the garlic (if using), and cook 2 minutes more. Add the steak and heat through.

Grill the dough as directed. When it is time to add the ingredients, distribute the steak-and-onion mixture over the dough. Add the bottled peppers, if using. Sprinkle with cheese. Cover the grill and continue grilling until done.

### MUSHROOM-AND-SAGE PIZZA

1 pound dough, rolled out and oiled as directed above  
 2 tablespoons olive oil  
 1 large onion, peeled and sliced thin  
 2 garlic cloves, peeled and finely chopped  
 1 pound mushrooms: shiitake, portobello, cremini (also sold as "baby bellas"), white button mushrooms or a mixture  
 small handful of fresh sage leaves, chopped, or 2 to 3 teaspoons dried sage  
 salt and pepper  
 1 to 2 cups shredded Asiago or mozzarella cheese

While the grill is preheating, heat the oil in a skillet and cook the onion and garlic, stirring, until quite soft, about 7 minutes. Add the mushrooms and sage and season with salt and pepper, and cook until they begin to surrender some of their liquid, at least 10 minutes more.

Grill dough as directed. When it is time to add the ingredients, use a slotted spoon to distribute the onion-mushroom mixture over the dough. Sprinkle with the cheese. Cover the grill and continue to grill until done.

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With a little practice, you too can make gourmet "rustic" pizzas — like this one, with smoked salmon and dill — right on your grill. Credit: Photograph by Christopher Hersheimer for "Pizza on the Grill" by Elizabeth Karmel and Bob Blumer (Taunton Press, 2008)

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