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Garden Centre registry opened

By Gordon Lambie
SHERBROOKE

Those debating the value of a new garden centre in the Proviso parking lot in Lennoxville have managed to push the discussion to a registry.

If signed by a sufficient number of people, this means the proposed zoning change would become eligible for a referendum which will either see the project move forward or be struck down completely.

"If we can get the majority of the people who requested it to sign the registry, then a referendum is automatically put into motion," explained Chuck Neville, the local garden centre owner who has led the charge against the proposed zoning change. "I'm almost positive we're going to stop it. It's like a miracle."

According to the modifications passed on Monday night, requests for a registry were made in three of the zones surrounding the Proviso. On Feb. 11, eligible voters from those three zones can make their way to Sherbrooke's city hall between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. to sign the registry.

Neville said that he initially felt that the bureaucratic process involved in challenging the zoning change was, "very cumbersome" but was cheered on by a great deal of public support.

"There wasn't one person that we spoke to that wasn't enthusiastic about supporting us," he said.

Robert Lafond, owner of the Lennoxville Proviso, has repeatedly stated that he only pursued the zoning change in order to be able to legally sell plants and that he is only interested in a course of action that is supported by the public.

According to Borough President David Price, regardless of the eventual decision that comes out of the registry process, the Proviso will be allowed to open a garden centre just like any other such store in the city when Sherbrooke eventually adopts its unified urban development plan.

Pedestrian safety questioned again in Sherbrooke



GORDON LAMBIE

The intersection of King West and Jacques Cartier streets is unsafe, according to the regional association for the visually handicapped.

By Gordon Lambie
SHERBROOKE

Bertrand Nadeau of the Association for the visually handicapped of the Eastern Townships (APHVE) spoke before Sherbrooke city council on Monday to question a lack of safety at the corner of King and Jacques Cartier Streets for the community he represents.

According to Nadeau, the association submitted a request for a sound-based crosswalk at that corner more than a year ago but never received a response from the city.

"Many of our members use this intersection when walking around the

lake or going to local businesses," he said, "but it is a particularly difficult intersection for the visually impaired."

Nadeau explained that, whether the crosswalk has a sound emitter or not, what a visually impaired person relies on to safely cross the street is sound.

In a situation where no special sound is made, the individual can listen for the "wall of sound" created by traffic driving in whatever direction is not safe to cross. In situations where the crosswalk emits a sound, that sound passes back and forth between the safe crossing points, creating a "corridor of sound" that allows the visually impaired pedestrian safe passage.

At the King and Jacques Cartier intersection, pressing the crosswalk button provides a four-way stop. Although this provides the ideal circumstances for a pedestrian with regular vision to cross in safety, this setup is actually extremely confusing for someone with a visual impairment if not coupled with a sound signal, he added.

"At the King and Jacques Cartier intersection, since all the lights turn red at the same time, traffic stops in all directions and so there is no more noise wall," Nadeau explained. "People end up in the middle of the intersection because they cannot get their bearings."

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


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


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Keeping in Touch



Townshippers' On the Road

Yesterday, Townshippers' Association travelled to Montreal to participate in Dialogue Day with Industry Canada and the Canada Economic Development for Quebec.

The day long activities of Dialogue Day provides the opportunity for representatives from the federal government to enhance their knowledge of the Quebec Anglophone community's priorities and challenges while also reconnecting with representatives of various community groups. Meanwhile, community groups will be able to get updates on programs and services that could benefit their growth.

During the day Townshippers' Executive Director Rachel Hunting presented on one of the Association's projects, Make Way for YOUth Estrie.

Offered through Townshippers', this remarkable project is part of the Place aux

jeunes en région initiative to counter youth exodus and encourage qualified young professionals to move to the region. MWFY provides support services to post-secondary graduates between 18 to 35 years of age and gives them the chance to explore the region's business and recreational offerings first hand with the free and all-inclusive Discovery Days.

For more on this project visit the youth section of Townshippers.org or contact Jenny Ménard

Make Way for YOUth, Desjardins Migration Agent, 819-566-5717, toll free: 1-866-566-5717, mwfy@townshippers.qc.ca.

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For more information about becoming or renewing a member, contact Evelina Smith, Information & Referral Coordinator, at 819-56-2182 or info@townshippers.qc.ca.

For more information on Townshippers' Association and our activities, keep reading this weekly Keeping in Touch column in *The Record* and visit us on Twitter (@Townshippers), Facebook and our website www.Townshippers.org.

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TOWNSHIPERS' ASSOCIATION

Quebec's Anglophone communities were well represented on Tuesday as groups such as Townshippers' Association, the QCGN, YES Montreal, Megantic English-speaking Community Development Corporation and Committee for Anglophone Social Action, among others, participated in Dialogue Day with Industry Canada and the Canada Economic Development for Quebec.

Ben by Daniel Shelton



LOCAL NEWS

"Once again it comes down to centralization," the borough president said. "We're putting all our eggs in one basket."

Price upset by Lennoxville well closure

By Gordon Lambie
SHERBROOKE

Lennoxville Borough President David Price created momentary confusion at Monday night's city council meeting by opposing modifications to the financing of the city's capital projects for 2015.

While City Councillors Helene Dauphinais and Jean-Francois Rouleau opposed expenditures related to the Place Nikitotek outdoor venue, Price opposed the expenditure plan because of \$150,000 earmarked for the replace-

ment of a conduit crossing the Salmon River and the closure of the Lennoxville Wells.

"I am in total disagreement with that. I think the wells should be kept," Price said following the meeting. "The pipes are all there, why not just leave it to run into the system? It will back us up. It won't give us 100 per cent, but we'd probably get about 10 per cent of our needs."

According to Council President Serge Paquin, the matter is one of economy. The operating costs of the wells, he said, are simply too high to be kept on as a

backup measure. The councillor explained that the cost of ongoing operation would be in the range of \$100,000 per year, making it a very expensive "insurance policy" given limited or no benefit for the majority of the people of Sherbrooke.

"The reliability of our network is exemplary," the council president added, suggesting that there is little need to worry about backup systems for Sherbrooke's water supply.

"Lennoxville is now served by two connections to the water system, one on St. Francis and the other on College, so

there is already a backup in place if a water main breaks.

Price, however, remained unconvinced.

"Once again it comes down to centralization," the borough president said. "We're putting all our eggs in one basket."

With regard to the wells being closed the city's water management director, Michel Cyr, explained that it is against provincial law to leave a well open if it is not being used, so not using a well means that it must be sealed.

St. Francis street parking issues continue despite new signage

By Gordon Lambie
SHERBROOKE

As of January 19th's city council meeting it has been illegal to park a car along the last 250 metres of St. Francis Street leading up to its intersection with Moulton Hill. Despite this rule change, however, the stretch of shoulder on the approach to that corner can still be seen clustered with cars on a daily basis.

Asked about the city's intent to enforce the changes, Lennoxville Borough President David Price pointed out that while the city makes the rules, their enforcement falls to the police. In the hands of the Sherbrooke Police Service, he added, the issuing of tickets is discretionary.

Martin Carrier of the SPS explained that there is no official grace period in police policies with regard to traffic law changes, but he confirmed that the

local patrol officers will often opt to be a little bit more lenient with a new rule if not in a dire situation.

"Technically as soon as the signs are up, the law is in effect and can be enforced," Carrier said, "but it is up to the local officer's discretion whether to ticket right away."

The SPS communications officer said that except in situations where a law was changed because of a major safety issue, the police do not, as a rule, patrol

an area with new signage any more than usual.

"We're getting a lot of snow right now" Price said, recalling the fact that the initial complaints regarding the winter parking on St. Francis had to do with safety concerns related to snow removal. "If somebody's going to park right up in the bank and it's creating a problem at the end of the street and the signs are there, I don't think there'll be much of a grace period at all."

Crosswalk safety

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Nadeau closed his explanation to council by offering an open opportunity to anyone who might be interested to do a blindfolded street crossing with members of the association in order to understand the situation better. He also plugged the APHVE's "white cane week" theme of "learn to live differently" by inviting council to reconsider the case of the major intersection.

Jocelyn Grenier, head of the city's transport infrastructure and construction division, acknowledged that the city received the association's request and said that studies are currently underway as to what can be done.

"Right now the pedestrian mode at that intersection should conform to the necessary norms for a sound crossing," Grenier explained. "As the level of pedestrian protection was just put in place last year, however, we want to make sure that a change wouldn't interfere with the balance of traffic and pedestrians."

The infrastructure director pointed out that the King and Jacques Cartier intersection is possibly the city's busiest intersection, and said that he wants to make very sure not to destabilize a traffic situation that has already been reconfigured just recently. He voiced no opposition to the installation of a sound-crossing, pointing out that there are 13 such crosswalks in the city already, but clarified that such an installation is more complex than simply tacking a speaker onto a lamppost.

"You need to take into account a slower walk," Grenier said. "Right now

the intersection conforms to the limit for a quick walk, but with the sound protection, the time probably needs to be increased."

Outspoken resident Evelyne Beaudin also took advantage of Monday night's meeting to follow up on concerns related to pedestrian crossings.

She highlighted the fact that the intersection of Prospect and Jacques Cartier Streets appears to have had no changes made to it, despite the promise of a change to being a completely protected intersection. She also inquired as to the status of the request made by the Sherbrooke Democracy movement in the wake of the death of cyclist Deliska Bergeron that as many intersections in the city as possible be made completely protected for pedestrians.

Beaudin was informed that her inquiries would be investigated, but that on a whole the city is putting an effort into prioritizing pedestrian safety.

City taxes online

Record Staff

Sherbrooke can now sign up to get their tax bills online. While it's possible to sign up anytime, those who do so by midnight, May 4, could win one of five iPad tablets. The draw will be held on May 12.

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SHEILA QUINN

Sometimes a little good, old fashioned fun is what everyone needs. Last fall I was wracking my brains for what to plan for my son's ninth birthday party. I didn't want to make the mistake I had made a year prior, when I trekked 10 extremely excited kids around town in their pajamas.

It was the night before Hallowe'en, they really didn't need much encouragement. A gypsy wind blew common sense straight out of the window, and in the end everyone was quite happy, and I was worn out and taking notes.

This year's rules: We would discuss numbers, likely more like five friends, standard daily attire, something unusual, fun, that could be done right after school.

A light bulb went off. Phew! Thank heavens for inspiration. I called the Brome County Historical Society, about their amazing children's exhibit, a miniature world representing the Townships in the mid-1800s, complete with a general store, a farm, a kitchen, a



PHOTO COLLAGE BY SHEILA QUINN

printshop, a weaver's and a post office. They put me in touch with Cari Ensio, the bright mind behind at least a fair chunk of the project.

Could we do a birthday party there? It turned out that we sure could.

Cari was waiting for us after school, and for a brief time the half dozen half pints played - on our first visit I had been amazed at how our kids (then 9, 8, 11 and 12) had enjoyed themselves. I had worried that it would be a little too "young" for them. It wasn't. They were so into all of the great hands-on about

the place, that we had to really work to corral them at the end of our visit.

So it went with the birthday party. This time, Cari had several crafts planned for them - a small cloth bag with the BCHS's logo printed on it contained the parts for a cup and ball toy, a thaumatrope and punched tin decorations.

The group got to work, engrossed in building each project. They were still their wily selves, but enjoying each step. In between activities, snacks were shared, birthday cupcakes and a little

spontaneous hide-and-seek.

The most craft was probably making corn husk dolls. The group jumped right in, crafting a variety of sizes and styles of dolls - they didn't even have to be called "corn husk action figures" in order for them to do it.

They wet and smoothed the corn husks, making them malleable, tied and reversed the long leaves, created arms, and legs as well in some cases. My son's did end up looking rather action-figure-esque, and yes, I think it was the first corn husk doll with its very own corn husk phaser.

One guest was convinced his creation was museum-worthy, comparing it to several well-preserved examples showcased in the room where we worked on crafts.

All six smalls enjoyed working with the punched tin ornaments, as a spontaneous wood shop opened before us on the table. Little hammers followed patterns to create snowflakes, initials, even constellations.

When gifts were opened, cupcakes were eaten, spontaneous hide-and-seek played, craft projects marveled over and birthday loot bags distributed, the parents arrived to pick up the guests. Enthusiasm overflowed as the corn husk dolls, punched tin ornaments, thaumatropes and cup and ball toys were shown off.

Living in a world of action figures, superheroes, thrilling cinema and TV, Lego and whatnot, it was really nice to travel back in time, an actual blast from the past, with Cari Ensio and the Brome County Historical Society's Children's Museum.

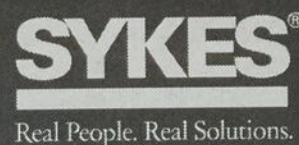
Cari is very much open to groups reserving and using the space, with tremendously reasonably priced activities (typically between \$5 and \$10 per child, depending on the activities). On Feb. 28 a special book-binding for children workshop activity will be held.

For more information on reservations visit www.bromemuseum.com or call 450-243-6782. To view photos and learn about activities, visit www.bromemuseum.com/portfolio-view/childrens-museum/

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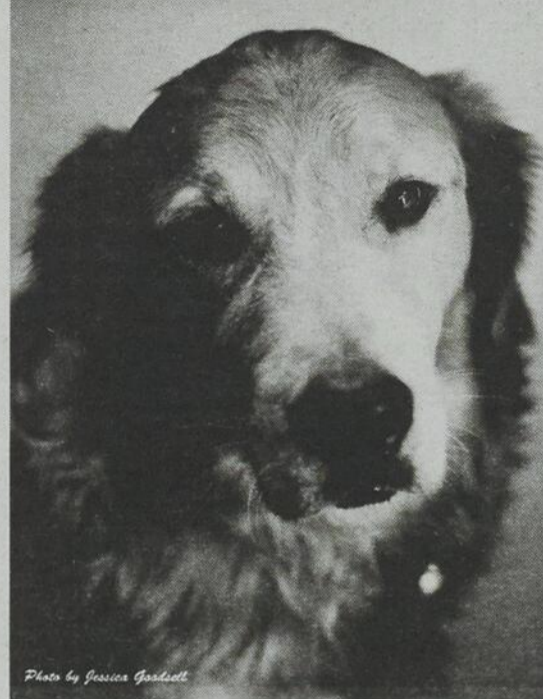
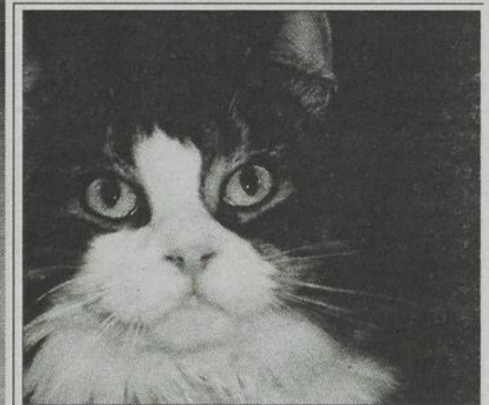
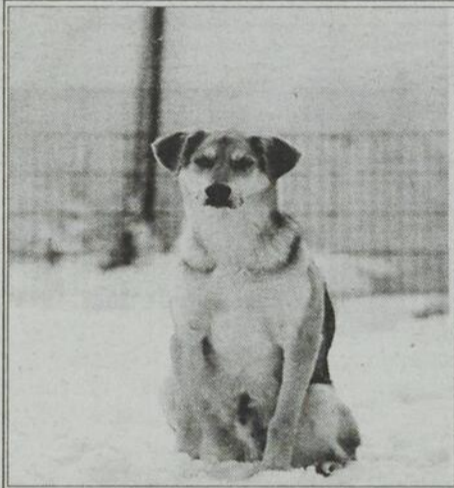


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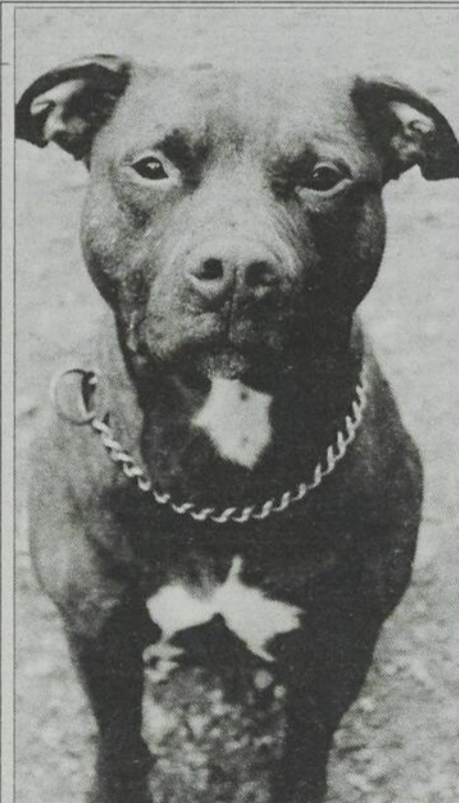
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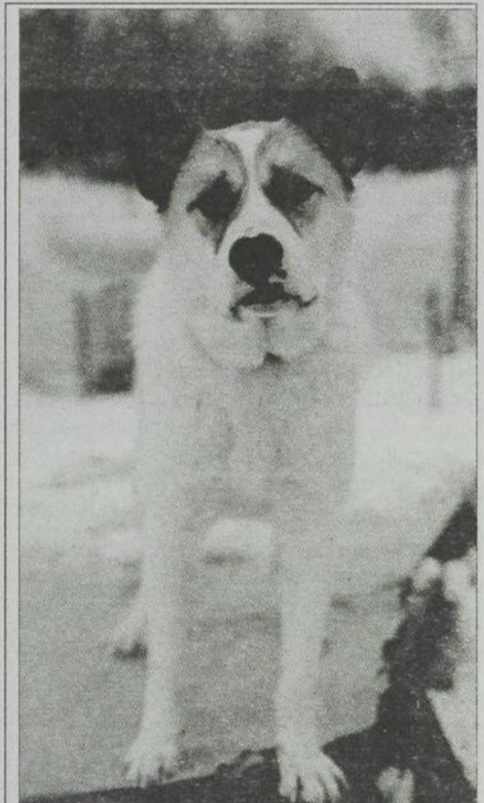
Luke is a little over a year old now. He is good with other dogs, fine with cats and would make a great family pet.



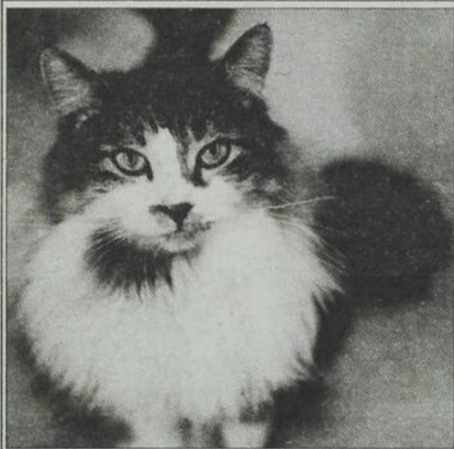
Target is almost 4 now. He is good with other cats and is very affectionate.



Damon is still with us. It will be two years soon. He is an intelligent and obedient pitbull, but he does not like cats or other male dogs. For the right family, he will make an incredible addition.



Dillinger is a little over a year now. He is an Ungava Husky and is a big teddy bear. He suffers from an underbite, but aside from it making it a little more difficult for him to eat, it does not bother him at all. He is a real sweetheart.



Haily is a year old now. She is extremely affectionate and will make an excellent family pet.



Leo is five years old. He is full of love and life, but is blind. He adjusts very quickly to his environment, but all he needs is a caring and patient new owner.

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EDITORIAL

It's working now, but unless the government can provoke another home-grown terrorist attack, the sheen will soon wear off.

Social security



MIKE McDEVITT

Canada may no longer be “the land of opportunity” it often claims to be, but as the land of opportunity, the current federal government is showing us all the way.

Last week, the Royal Canadian Harper Government tabled its promised Bill C-51, an entirely unnecessary and cynical “Anti-Terrorism Act,” designed to improve the safety of Canadians by coaxing them once again to hand over the reins of the country to the Harperite hordes in this year’s election.

Following fast on the heels of the attacks on soldiers in Quebec and Ottawa, the RCHG jumped immediately into its GI Joe posture – talking tough and picking fights – in an effort to prove just how “tough on everything you hate” it really is.

Now, it seems, we are in need of new laws extending police powers of search, censorship, intimidation, and detention, because, apparently, they can’t be bothered to use the laws they already have. Besides, as the Conservatives have learned, you can’t take credit for things that already exist.

Using its well-established Omnibus Bill tactic, the government has chosen to confuse and distort the democratic process in an effort to protect democracy from those other than themselves who wish to pervert it and once again, Canadians appear to be falling for it.

Canada is a country that will lose its mind if an American company purchases a favourite coffee shop chain, but seems to have no problem with signing up for American-led acts of aggression in parts of the world where we have no business being.

Appalled by the violently desperate actions of “Islamic” militants in the war-ravaged Middle East, the country has been gripped by horror at the atrocities

committed by Sunni Muslim groups like Al-Qaeda and the Islamic State against its internal enemies and external witnesses. It has learned to use this horror as perhaps its most effective weapon in its fight against opponents. Fearful people are angry people, as support for the Harperite “tough talk” demonstrates, and this is a fact the federal Conservatives hope to exploit in their attempt to gain another electoral majority.

It’s working now, but unless the government can provoke another home-grown terrorist attack, the sheen will soon wear off.

Federal opposition parties have, of course, attempted to sow some seeds of reason and rational response into the discussion of home-grown terror, pointing out that both assailants were Canadian-born troubled individuals, bringing up the question of how they became radicalised in the first place, and what can be done to prevent reoccurrence.

“Prevention,” of course is not something the Conservatives pay much attention to, however, as punishment is a lot more satisfying, makes bigger headlines, and gathers more votes. For the Harper Gang, this is a no-brainer. All they have to do is continue to talk up the threat, infuriate our “enemies,” encouraging them to make some blood-thirsty threats, and rush to the front with poorly thought-out restrictive legislation aimed at “Islamists” today and, perhaps, environmentalists or police brutality protesters tomorrow.

None of this is to say that there should be no response to the domestic terror threat or that our intelligence community is not the appropriate instrument to be used in helping to prevent such crimes, but there is serious doubt that any new legislation – partic-



ularly legislation that takes aim at fundamental rights – is required to do the job.

Criminal Code provisions already exist to manage actual crimes and there is little reason to believe that additional surveillance powers are needed to keep track of potentially dangerous malcontents.

We already have such niceties as secret trials and security certificates for foreign nationals – a serious erosion of basic rights – and our current hate-speech laws already allow authorities to go after the particularly offensive. What current laws do not do, however, is hand the government almost arbitrary power to use against whomever it decides is “terrorism.”

Given its reaction to non-terrorist threats like public demonstrations and protests, however, we can deduce that terror, like beauty, is in the eyes of the beholder. This requires a lot of trust – trust of a nature the current government has demonstrably not earned.

If one accepts, as most political commentators do, the notion that the primary purpose of this poorly-thought-out legislation is to bolster support for the threatened Conservative majority, it is likely that the Harperites have released their major weapon a tad too soon.

The law will pass, of course, and its consequences become evident well before the election is officially called, and the Conservatives will have to face increasingly dire news for their economic projections upon which the much-vaunted “balanced budget” depends. In the meantime, it will have to face testimony from disgraced senators Mike “I ain’t goin’ down alone” Duffy and Pamela Wallin, both star appointees of the Fearless Leader.

Duffy, in particular, has both the insider knowledge and spurned vindictiveness necessary to stir up a pot of

filth that will shock, if not surprise, many Canadians.

Above all that, however, is the threat posed to the primary Conservative election strategy, which is to boast about imagined “achievements” in the economic sector.

Having leased the country to foreign-owned fossil fuel companies, the federal government, along with its western constituent provinces, seeing their price-sensitive revenues – and our dollar – plummet on a daily basis, making budget plans obsolete.

The situation may even threaten the government’s planned “election gift” strategy of tax reduction and “support for families” as the revenue to pay for them disappears into thin air.

In addition to all of this, the Conservatives have now lost the most respected member of its ruling elite with the resignation of Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird, a pit-bull political partisan and eloquent debater who was most often the subject of post-Harper leadership speculation. With his retirement from political life, Baird has left his Fearless Leader almost alone in cabinet capable of presenting a consistent, if dubious, face.

Unlike the majority of his colleagues, Baird was able to participate in real discussions and was capable of remaining on point without the need for the “talking points” that spill from the lips of most Harperite emissaries, who have yet to take a “think for yourself” course.

The government clearly hopes its pointless tough on terrorism strategy will help it keep its hold on power, and, if the past is any indication, it will be enough to swat some voters. It would be ironic, however, if through focusing on terror, we fall victims to the machinations of those who really want to attack our rights within the halls of government.

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	6 MONTHS	71.19	3.56	7.10	\$81.85
	3 MONTHS	36.16	1.81	3.60	\$41.57

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		GST	PST	TOTAL	
QUEBEC:	1 YEAR	71.50	3.58	7.13	\$82.21
	1 MONTH	6.49	0.32	0.65	\$7.46

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Local Sports

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Hockey Spartans claim regular season crown

By Mike Hickey
Special to the Record

The Stanstead College senior boys hockey team finished first overall in the Midwest Prep Hockey League and as a result will be the top-seeded team in the upcoming playoffs that will be hosted by Gilmour Academy in Gates Mills, Ontario from Feb. 20-22. The Spartans finished regular season play with a 16-2 record and will have a bye into the quarterfinals. The regular season title marked the first MPHL banner in the school's history. Stanstead's first oppo-

nent has yet to be decided, it will be Gilmour, Loyola Academy (Ill.) or St. Francis Prep (N.Y.).

The semi-finals will be played Saturday afternoon with the championship game slated for Sunday morning.

In related news, Stanstead David Jankowski has made the latest NHL Central Scouting draft rankings at coming in at 188 among North American skaters.

Jankowski, who plays on the team's Number 1 line with Christopher Smith and captain Drew Packman, is the Spartans' top scorer with 20 goals, 33 assists

and 53 points in 30 games played.

An honour student in the classroom, Jankowski is a highly skilled centre with excellent playmaking abilities, vision and a high hockey IQ.

Former Spartan Fred Foulem is also on the list, ranked 23rd among North American goalies. Foulem is currently finishing his high school studies at Shattuck-St. Mary's in Minnesota where he has posted a 13-5-3 record with a 2.10 goals-against average and three shutouts.

The Spartans girls team completed their most recent North American Prep

Hockey Association tournament with three wins and tie.

Stanstead defeated Nichols School 3-1, Trinity College 2-1 and Ridley College 3-0, while playing Gilmour Academy to a scoreless draw.

The girls will head to upstate New York this weekend for their final NAPHA tournament that will be held at Union College and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

The girls' NAPHA playoffs will take place in Burlington, Vt. from Feb. 20-22 although the seedings have not yet been determined.

ETIAC basketball standings

Bantam Girls Basketball

	GP	W	L	PF	PA	Pts.
Stanstead College	5	5	0	239	152	10
Richmond Regional B	4	3	1	156	84	6
Alexander Galt A	4	2	2	182	119	4
Alexander Galt B	3	0	3	39	150	0
Richmond Regional A	4	0	4	54	166	0

Senior Girls Basketball

	GP	W	L	PF	PA	Pts.
Stanstead College	5	5	0	233	96	10
Alexander Galt	5	4	1	226	117	8
Massey-Vanier	5	3	2	174	132	6
Bishop's College School	6	2	4	200	167	4
Richmond Regional	7	0	7	58	369	0

Junior Boys Basketball

	GP	W	L	PF	PA	Pts.
Alexander Galt	5	5	0	236	126	10
Massey-Vanier	6	5	1	271	216	10
Richmond Regional	4	2	2	171	151	4
Stanstead College	5	1	4	178	245	2
Bishop's College School	6	0	6	136	254	0

Junior Girls Basketball

Team:	GP	W	L	PF	PA	Pts.
Alexander Galt	6	6	0	269	79	12
Stanstead College	6	4	2	238	125	8
Richmond Regional	6	3	3	158	196	6
Bishop's College School	6	2	4	117	226	4
Massey-Vanier	6	0	6	84	241	0

Bantam Boys Basketball

Team:	GP	W	L	PF	PA	Pts.
Alexander Galt	4	4	0	216	76	8
Massey-Vanier	5	4	1	207	152	8
Richmond Regional	3	0	3	63	143	0
Stanstead College	4	0	4	73	188	0

Senior Boys Basketball

	GP	W	L	PF	PA	Pts.
Stanstead College	5	4	1	292	210	8
Massey-Vanier	5	2	3	244	250	2
Alexander Galt	4	1	3	129	204	2

Swedish prospect de la Rose ready for first NHL game with Canadiens

By Bill Beacon
The Canadian Press
MONTREAL

Jacob de la Rose is set to play his first NHL game. Montreal Canadiens coach Michel Therrien said the 19-year-old forward will see his first action on Tuesday night against the Buffalo Sabres.

"It's a special year for him because he's playing in the AHL at 19, he played in the world juniors and now he'll get a chance to see what it's like in the NHL," said Therrien. "It's all part of his development."

De la Rose, one of the Canadiens' top prospects, had only 11 points in 37 games as an AHL rookie with Hamilton, but had five during the Bulldogs' current six-game winning streak.

There was initial speculation that de la Rose was called up as a replacement for centre Lars Eller, who injured his left leg during a 3-2 loss to Arizona on Sunday. But Eller was on the ice for a game-day skate Tuesday morning looking no worse for wear.

Therrien said de la Rose would play whether Eller was in or not.

"It's everyone's dream to play here one day," de la Rose said. "I just tried to work hard and take it from there. Now I've been called up and if I get a chance, I'll take it."

De la Rose, drafted 34th overall in 2013, opted to play in the AHL this season to get used to North American hockey rather than stay an extra year with the Leksands club in Sweden.

His season started slowly, but picked up after he served as captain of the Swedish squad at the world junior championship in Montreal and Toronto.

"I think I'm playing with more confidence," he said. "I had a good tournament."

"I came back with confidence. I tried to make more plays and create more scoring chances and it's paying off."

The six-foot-two 190-pounder is not expected to be a big scorer in the NHL. He is known mostly for his intelligence and strong defensive game. But he feels it is too early to be typecast.

"I just want to play an all around game," he said. "I know I can play good in both ends."

"I don't want to put myself in a pocket. I'm still developing my game, offensively and defensively. I'm just trying to play the best I can."

One of his Hamilton linemates, Gabriel Dumont, has been up with the Canadiens for a week. They skated together in practice with another rookie, Jiri Sekac, on the wing.

"He's a big guy with speed," Dumont said of de la Rose. "He's really, really proud of his defence and that gives him a lot of offensive opportunities. He's solid defensively and has good positioning, so he gets breaks."

Notes: P.A. Parenteau, who has missed 10 games with a concussion, skated on his own. ... It appeared that centre Manny Malhotra would sit out against Buffalo and that Sergei Gonchar would return on defence, replacing Mike Weaver.

Local briefs: Boisvert-Lacroix headed to speed skating World Cup

Record Staff
SHERBROOKE

The event features races at the 500- and 1000-metre distances.

Sherbrooke's Alex Boisvert-Lacroix has been named to the Canadian national long-track speed skating team for World Cup event No. 6, which is to be held in Heerenveen, Netherlands, this weekend.

Boisvert-Lacroix is making his World Cup debut at the event, and he is one of nine men named to the Canadian squad.

Cougars on the move temporarily

The Champlain Cougars hockey team will pull up stakes for this weekend, as their two home games will be played at the new arena at Bishop's University, rather than the Thibault GM Complex.

They host Montreal-Est on Saturday at 8 p.m. and St-Leonard on Sunday at 4:30 p.m.

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Death



Henry LODGE (1924-2015)

Mr. Henry Alfred Lodge of Red Deer, Alberta passed away at the Red Deer Regional Hospital Centre on Saturday, January 31, 2015 at the age of 90 years. Henry was born on April 19, 1924 at Danville, Quebec. He will be lovingly remembered by his sons; James (Ann) Lodge of Port Moody, British Columbia, Michael (Danielle) Lodge of Medicine Hat, Alberta, Peter (Kathy) Lodge of Sylvan Lake, Alberta and Jeffrey (Lisa) Lodge of Calgary, Alberta, his daughters; Judy (Harbans) Sawhney of Newmarket, Ontario and Marilyn Massie of Edmonton, Alberta, his grandchildren; Paul (Rezarta) Sawhney and their children, Jackson and Henry, Erik (Janessa) Lodge and their children, Kohen and Nate, Karen (Michael) Hansen, Jennifer (Alex) Temple and their daughter, Isabelle, Andrew (Serena) Lodge and Cheyenne Lodge. He will also be sadly missed by his sister, Betty Martinovic of Vancouver, British Columbia, as well as numerous nieces, nephews and dear friends. Henry was predeceased by his loving wife of fifty-seven years, Elizabeth, a brother, Stanley Lodge and a sister, Phyllis Foley.

A memorial service will be held at Parkland Funeral Home and Crematorium, 6287 - 67 A Street (Taylor Drive), Red Deer, Alberta on Friday, February 6, 2015 at 1 p.m. If desired, memorial donations in Henry's honor may be made directly to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Alberta and N.W.T. at www.heartandstroke.ab.ca. Condolences may be sent or viewed at www.parklandfuneralhome.com. Arrangements in care of Rhian Solecki, Funeral Director at Parkland Funeral Home and Crematorium, 6287 - 67 A Street (Taylor Drive), Red Deer. 403-340-4040.

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Death

Lawrence ADDIS (1937-2015)

Passed away peacefully at the CHSLD, Bedford, Que. on Saturday January 31, 2015 at the age of 77. Formerly of Sherbrooke, Que. Beloved father of Robert (Ruth Hodge, Waterville, Que.), Sherri (Ricky Coates, Bishopton, Que.), Shelly (Bury, Que.) as well as 2 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Lawrence also leaves to mourn his brothers Gordon (Ginette Longpre) of Rock Forest, Que., George (Dawn Morrow) of Montreal, Que. and his sister Betty-Ann (Terry Williams) of Pembroke, Ont. He also leaves to mourn Shirley Lowe (Bury, Que.), mother of his children Robert, Sherri and Shelly. Lawrence was predeceased by his sister Dorothy (Edward Sullivan) of Lennoxville, Que.

Resting at the Brome-Missisquoi Funeral Complex, 215 rue Riviere, Bedford Que. 450-248-2911.

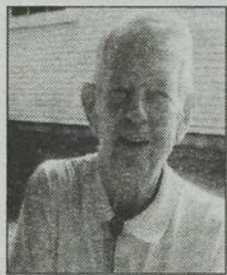
As per Lawrence's request there will be no visitation. A private memorial graveside service will be held at a later date at the Pearceon Cemetery, in Stanbridge East, Que.

The family would like to thank the staff at the CHSLD of Bedford Que. for the great care that they gave him over the last 8 years.

In lieu of flowers donations to the Alzheimer Society of Canada would be greatly appreciated by the family. www.alzheimer.ca

BROME-MISSISQUOI FUNERAL COMPLEX PHONE: 450-248-2911 215 rue Riviere, Bedford, QC FAX: 450-248-3749 www.complexebm.com

Death



Errol HOLMES (1931-2015)

Errol Holmes, loving husband of Muriel Boomhour for 62 years, passed away at Sun City, CA in the presence of his loving family on January 30, 2015.

Errol was born April 18, 1931 in Ayer's Cliff, Que. to Bernard and Gladys (Smith) Holmes. He is survived by his loving wife Muriel, son Michael (Patti), daughter Shirley (Mahir) and grandchildren Christopher, Kennan, Saliha and brothers Robert (Eleanor), Stanley (Jo Anne) and predeceased by his brother Michael. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Funeral to be held in Way's Mills Union Church and burial at the Ayer's Cliff Cemetery at a date to be determined in the summer.

Death

Helen Allan MACRAE 1927-2015

It is with sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Helen Allan, wife of the late Eric MacRae, mother of the late Lynn.

Loving mother of Rick (Annie), her grandchildren Rachel (Ryan) and Jason (Valerie), great-grandchildren Elizabeth and Mitchel McAuley and Madison MacRae. Her brother Eric Allan and sister-in-law Phyllis Allan. Family and friends. Predeceased by brothers Ernest and Keith.

Resting at Résidence Funéraire J.A. Savoie & Fils, Thetford Mines, February 5, 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Funeral service 2 p.m., February 6 at Candlish United Church, Kinnear's Mills.

Death

Jessie HOPKINS

On January 24, 2015, at the age of 96, at the Carling View Manor. She will be missed by her sister Margaret Stocker-Horton and by her nieces and nephews: Peter, Audrey, Steven, Bill, Ann, and Phillip. She was predeceased by her brothers: Harry and Robert.

A funeral service has been held in familial intimacy.

Brieflet

LENNOXVILLE/WATERVILLE/ NORTH HATLEY

The Lennoxville and District Community Aid will be holding Blood Pressure clinics on the following dates: LENNOXVILLE - there will be a blood pressure clinic on Tuesday, February 10 at 164 Queen Street, suite #104 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. WATERVILLE - clients are invited to come to the Blood Pressure clinic in Lennoxville. NORTH HATLEY - there will be blood pressure clinics on Friday, February 6 at the Library, 165 Main Street N. from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Datebook

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

Today is the 35th day of 2015 and the 46th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1789, George Washington was unanimously elected first president of the United States by the Electoral College.

In 1938, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," the first feature-length Walt Disney animated film, was released in the United States.

In 1974, the Symbionese Liberation Army, an American revolutionary group, kidnapped newspaper heiress Patty Hearst in Berkeley, California.

In 2004, Harvard sophomore Mark Zuckerberg launched thefacebook.com, the site that would eventually become Facebook.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Fernand Leger (1881-1955), artist; Charles Lindbergh (1902-1974), aviator; Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945), theologian/Holocaust victim; Rosa Parks (1913-2005), activist; Betty Friedan (1921-2006), writer/activist; George Romero (1940-), filmmaker; Lawrence Taylor (1959-), football player; Clint Black (1962-), singer-songwriter; Rob Corddry (1971-), actor/comedian; Oscar de la Hoya (1973-), boxer; Gavin DeGraw (1977-), singer-songwriter.

TODAY'S FACT: "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" received an honorary Academy Award in 1939 and was presented one regular-sized Oscar statuette accompanied by seven miniature ones.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1987, skipper Dennis Conner sailed to victory in the America's Cup yacht race, redeeming his loss in 1983, which was the first time an American had failed to win the 132-year-old event.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Judging others makes us blind, whereas love is illuminating. By judging others we blind ourselves to our own evil and to the grace which others are just as entitled to as we are." — Dietrich Bonhoeffer, "The Cost of Discipleship"

TODAY'S NUMBER: 1.35 billion — monthly active users of Facebook, as reported by the company in October 2014.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Feb. 3) and last quarter moon (Feb. 11).



She turned out to be the visitor from hell

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I have a family history of cardiovascular disease and lost my mom to a heart attack when she was only 32.

To be preventive about my own health, I had something called a vascular wellness screening: a check of my arteries for atherosclerosis, the plaque that builds up in our arteries as we age. The tests were easy, painless and held at a local church. I had some mild blockage in the arteries of my neck, but nothing serious at the time.

Two years later, my doctor recommended that I repeat the tests. This time, my left neck artery was significantly blocked. This signaled to my doctor that my heart arteries could be blocked, too, and tests showed that to be true. With my family history, there was no doubt that I was at high risk for heart attack and stroke, but I wouldn't have known without the screening.

I encourage people to get their arteries screened. Most people don't think about the health of their arteries or know the word "atherosclerosis," but getting these tests could help you know what is going on inside your body before something serious happens. Work with your doctor, and share your test results so that he or she can use them to help you stay well for as long as possible. — Joan P. in New Jersey

Dear Joan P.: Thank you for this timely information. February is American Heart Month. Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in this country. Those who have a family history of heart disease or stroke and feel that a screening would be beneficial should contact their doctor or any local hospital or university health center to set up an appointment. For more information on American Heart Month and how to maintain a healthy heart, check the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at cdc.gov/Features/HeartMonth or the American Heart Association (heart.org).

Dear Annie: My wife's college roommate visited us for five days. Here's what happened:

She strongly recommended that we take her to a certain restaurant that serves great food. We took her three times, at her request, and guess who paid the bill. My wife prepared all the other meals, and our guest never once offered to take us out. In addition, she didn't even bring us a small hostess gift, which, although we didn't need one, would have been thoughtful and appreciated.

During her entire stay, this woman bragged nonstop about everything she has done and will do. She used my computer several times and had me print out one

article after another for her personal use. I tried to be nice, but by the fifth day, I lost it, especially when she asked my wife to wash her dirty clothes.

Before leaving, this inconsiderate guest expressed the wish to return next year. My wife puts up with her eccentricities, but I can't. What do you suggest? — Frustrated Husband

Dear Frustrated: Unless your wife is willing to ask her friend to stay at a hotel for at least part of the visit, nothing will change. There's no reason you both have to put up with this guest. Let your wife enjoy a few days with her ex-roommate while you visit family or friends elsewhere, either for part or all of the time she's there.

Dear Annie: This is for "Tolerant in the Land of Enchantment," who pointed out the necessity of blowing one's nose when eating red and green chili at Christmastime in New Mexico. "Tolerant" is obviously a transplant to our area.

First of all, it's chile, not "chili." Chile start out green on the vine and turn red when ripe. In New Mexico, both are popular. When ordering chile, some folks can't decide which to get and order "Christmas," which means both red and green chile, regardless of the time of year. — A Northern New Mexico Native

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

Chase Away the Winter Blues V

Now in its 5th year, the brainchild of the Late Bruce Patton, Chase Away the Winter Blues V drew a capacity crowd at Lennoxville United Church's Gertrude Scott Hall on Saturday, January 31, 2015. This last Saturday of a frigid January proved as cold and crisp as most of the rest of the month but that didn't deter family, friends and supporters from filling the hall and settling in for an evening of local entertainment culminating in refreshments and a time of visiting. Wayne Nutbrown, Janice Graham and Willie Fisk started our toes tapping promptly at 7 p.m. when guests started arriving and continued until the show's first performers Kevin, Josiah and Jaymin Lapointe were welcomed to the stage by MC-par-excellence, Rebecca Boire. The Lapointe Trio rocked the house with "Responsibility" and "I Don't Want Any Trouble". They were followed by the duo of Darlene Kerr and Pierre Dufresne who sang a beautiful version of "Leather and Lace" after which Pierre treated us to "Lennoxville Blues" a song he had written to thank the people of Lennoxville for their warmth and concern following his recent accident. Zoë Lapointe and Alana Ospina very professionally sang "Come Back Kid" to the delight of all their fans and this act was followed by Amelia Hartwell, Hannah Gilpin and Lauren Cheal who exhibited great talent as they danced to "It's a Hard Luck Life" from the musical "Annie". The audience was spellbound by Jean Glavin's a Capella rendition of two beautifully interpreted numbers: "When He Was on the Cross, I was on His Mind" and "Knowing You'll Be There". She was followed by the wonderfully talented Jonathan Townshend who sang and played "Bridge over Troubled Waters" and "Maybe I'm Amazed by You" written by Paul McCartney. The musical theme continued as we listened to Josiah Lapointe singing "Roger Rabbit" to his own guitar accompaniment and his stellar performance was followed by the bother-sister duo of Rob and Kathleen Weary who thrilled the audience with their (violin and piano) rendition of "The Tennessee Waltz" and then "Red Wing", which they played as a violin duet. Spectacular! The musical numbers were interspersed with four skits, the first of which was entitled "Brain Surgery" in which Melissa Mailloux, Rob Weary and Emily Baldwin had us chuckling and nodding in agreement as we watched personalities change after a male brain is implanted into a female - and vice versa! Next, in a skit written by Barbara Boire and performed by UCW members Deanna McNab, Gloria Stronach and Frankie Noble, we learned that (a) an ostrich egg really does make the most glorious-and largest - Victoria "sponge" cake and (b) that Canada



Postman Sam Boire could have a most amazing career if he could ever learn to correctly pronounce Deanna McNab's name!

A third skit entitled "St. Swithin's in the Swamp Choir Practice" starring Brenna Lassenba, Tami Spires, Olivia Ryan, Emily Baldwin and Mead Baldwin of the Piggery Theatre Camp & Waterville/North Hatley United Church told the tale of what might happen when a tartar of a choir Director (Tami) has to be convinced that it would indeed be quite acceptable to sing - in Church - hymns from "More Voices" while accompanied on a ukulele (played by Olivia). Then, in a surprising finale, the Choir broke into a spirited rendition of "You Are My Sunshine" and encouraged the audience to join in - which they happily did! We knew the program must be fast coming to an end when Barbara and Rebecca Boire took to the stage to reprise their Cockney spoof as "Madge and Lil", the know-all, see-all Lennoxville cleaning ladies. Seems there was a mix-up between a new curling "pebble" and a very "spirited" UCW-made fruitcake that progressed from one fantas-

tical misstep to the next until the hilarious conclusion that saw the Lennoxville Team of newbie curlers, skipped by Rev. Jim Potter, representing Quebec in the world famous "Battle of the Churches Bonspiel" and, in less-than-regulation attire, winning the trophy! Just before we all joined in singing one final song: "Magic Penny", Ann Maher Weary spoke eloquently about the planning and effort that went into the production of this 5th Annual Edition of "Chase Away the Winter Blues" and how, each year, during the months leading up to the event, somehow, some way, people volunteer and agree to participate and work together to mount another evening of fun and entertainment. She thanked all who contributed in any way to the evening's success mentioning in particular the organizing committee members: Nancy Suito, Barbara Boire, Cindy Van Vliet, Linda Fisk, Ken & Jean Porter, Frankie & Jack Noble and Steve & Ann Weary.

Submitted by Frankie Noble
Publicity Convenor
Lennoxville United Church

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

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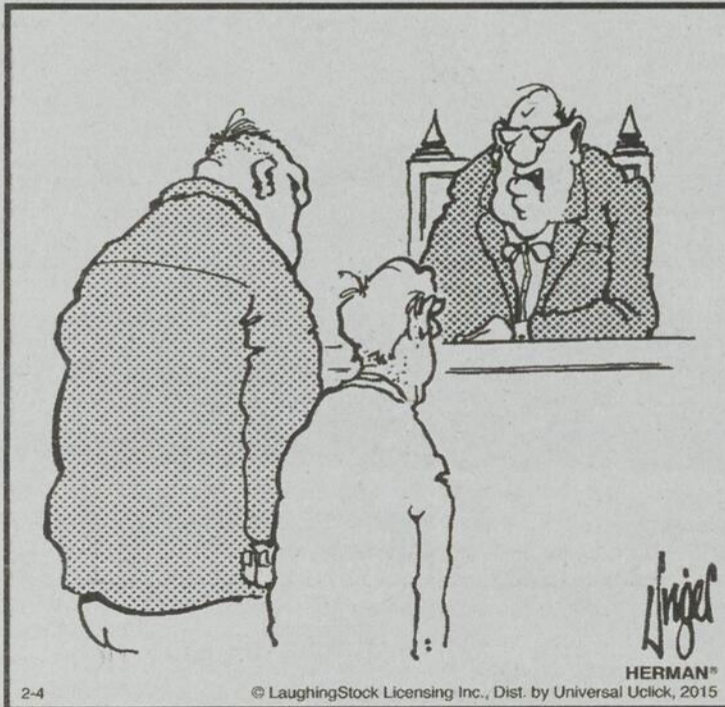
Previous Solution: "Anyone can write a novel given six weeks, pen, paper and no telephone or wife." — Novelist Evelyn Waugh

TODAY'S CLUE: F equals I

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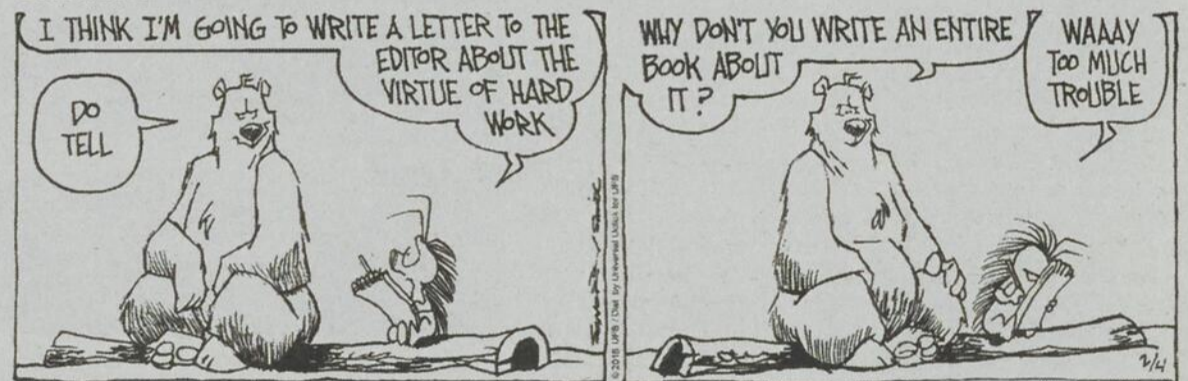
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Société de transport de Sherbrooke
PUBLIC NOTICE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS - CALENDAR 2015

TO ALL INTERESTED

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, Secretary of the Société de transport de Sherbrooke,

That during a regular meeting held on January 23, 2015, the Board of Directors adopted resolution no 004-15.

RESOLUTION 004-15

WHEREAS Article 26 of the *Loi sur les sociétés de transport en commun* (L.R.Q., Chapter S-30.01) provides that the Board of Directors hold at least ten regular meetings per year and that, at its first meeting of the year, it adopts the calendar of meetings for that year.

IT IS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:

That the Board of Directors adopts the following calendar for its meetings:

DATE	TIME	PLACE
January 23, 2015	12:00 p.m.	Société de transport de Sherbrooke
February 11, 2015	5:00 p.m.	Société de transport de Sherbrooke
March 11, 2015	5:00 p.m.	Société de transport de Sherbrooke
April 8, 2015	5:00 p.m.	Société de transport de Sherbrooke
May 13, 2015	5:00 p.m.	Société de transport de Sherbrooke
June 17, 2015	5:00 p.m.	Société de transport de Sherbrooke
September 9, 2015	5:00 p.m.	Société de transport de Sherbrooke
October 14, 2015	5:00 p.m.	Société de transport de Sherbrooke
November 11, 2015	5:00 p.m.	Société de transport de Sherbrooke
December 9, 2015	5:00 p.m.	Société de transport de Sherbrooke

That, according to Article 26 of the *Loi sur les sociétés de transport en commun* (L.R.Q., chapter S-30.01), the Secretary publishes within 15 days following the first meeting of the year, in a newspaper distributed in the société's territory, a notice stating the dates, times and locations of the Board's meetings.

GIVEN AT SHERBROOKE, on January 26, 2015.

Huguette Dallaire
Secretary

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HOW TO PLAY:

Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

Your Birthday

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

Sharing your creative and novel ideas will help you attract the kind of people who are looking for innovative investments. Don't be shy; promote your skills and pursuits in a confident and convincing manner. You have the talent to make this a profitable year.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Personal and professional relationships will improve if you participate in things instead of observing them. Talk to colleagues about positions opening up in your field. The more you learn, the better you will do.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — You'll be looking for a new challenge. Restlessness or boredom will lead to poor decisions. Don't do or say anything that could impede your progress.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — A compatible partnership is imminent. Make sure any agreements you develop are well-balanced, or you may find yourself overworked and overwhelmed. A third party can offer helpful hints.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Influential acquaintances will help you make a good financial move. Be prepared to act quickly when the right opportunity comes along. Moderation and determination will lead to success.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Intimate time spent with a special someone will allow you to reconnect and revive your relationship. Clear up any outstanding items on your agenda and devote your attention to what you enjoy most.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Money or

legal matters will turn in your favor. Changes at home will cause some tension, but everyone will benefit in the end. Clear up outstanding paperwork before starting a new project.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — The key to a successful partnership depends on both parties making equal contributions. If you find that your partner isn't pulling his or her weight, start a discussion before matters get worse.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Be sensitive to the needs of others. Spend time with an elderly relative who offers interesting insight into your past and provides input about your future.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Lady Luck is on your side. Your intuition is strong, and your decisions will be on the money. An interesting proposal will have far-reaching benefits.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Self-doubt will be your downfall. Once you have compiled the relevant information, make a commitment to an investment opportunity. The results may not be rapid, but you will make money over the course of time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Finish what you start. A haphazard approach will cause chaos and leave you with lots of incomplete projects. Stay focused and follow through until each matter has been finalized.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Keep a close watch over the competition. You will save yourself a lot of work if you compare strategies and make any necessary adjustments to ensure that you will be successful.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

Apply pressure to force errors

By Phillip Alder

Alfred Adler, an Austrian psychiatrist who died in 1937, said, "There is no such thing as talent. There is pressure."

That is an interesting hypothesis, one that surely would not meet with universal approval.

In bridge, talented players know when to apply pressure to their opponents, pushing them into mistakes or causing them to miss their ideal contracts.

In this deal from a social game, what would you have bid with that South hand at unfavorable vulnerability after your partner passed and your right-hand opponent opened one spade?

Most players are more cautious when vulnerable against not. However, opponents will assume you are being sane, not crazy, at those colors. You can occasionally escape unscathed from a tight corner.

When this deal was originally played, South intervened with four hearts. What should have happened then?

At the table, an inexperienced West passed. North passed also, of course, and so did East, feeling trapped. West, who knew his side had at least game values, should have doubled. This would have announced sufficient strength to act and no better call available.

Then East would probably not have

North 02-04-15			
♠ Q 9 5 3			
♥ 8 4			
♦ K 9 4			
♣ 6 5 4 3			
West			East
♠ 8 2			♠ A J 10 7 6 4
♥ K J 9			♥ 3
♦ A Q 10 7 2			♦ 6
♣ K J 8			♣ A Q 10 9 7
South			
♠ K			
♥ A Q 10 7 6 5 2			
♦ J 8 5 3			
♣ 2			
Dealer: North			
Vulnerable: North-South			
South	West	North	East
??		Pass	1♠
Opening lead: ♠ 8			

passed, although best defense (spade to the ace, diamond to the ace, diamond ruff, club ace and two later trump tricks) would have defeated four hearts by three tricks for plus 800. East would have rebid four spades or five clubs, both of which he surely would have made.

In Europe, South's hand distribution is known as "eau de cologne" after the famous 4711 brand.

CROSSWORD

Across

- 1 Beginning on
- 5 No ordinary party
- 9 Keister
- 13 Big Island coffee region
- 14 Sap-sucking insect
- 16 Put on board
- 17 Learning ctr.
- 18 "Being John Malkovich" director
- 20 Bit of dust
- 21 Readies for another voyage
- 22 "Mr. & Mrs. Smith" co-star
- 26 Portions out
- 29 One making waves
- 30 Sean Lennon's mom
- 31 Occasionally
- 32 Three-time Hopkins role
- 34 At hand
- 35 Slangily, overimbibe; literally, what the starts of 18-, 22-, 49- and 54-Across

can do

- 38 Fictional archaeologist Croft
- 40 Bakery array
- 41 Promises
- 44 "Hawaii Five-0" actor Daniel __ Kim
- 45 Cellular messenger
- 48 Ambien maker
- 49 Saddle storage area
- 51 Longhorn rival
- 53 Mandlikova of tennis
- 54 Nervous habit
- 58 Prophet's concern
- 59 Promgoer's concern
- 60 Really enjoy
- 61 One of 28 Monopoly cards
- 62 Places for hats
- 63 Jazz singer Horne
- 64 Icelandic literary work

27 Tetley offering

- 28 Estonia, until 1991: Abbr.
- 31 Doomed 1588 fighting force
- 32 Gigs for 22-Across, often
- 33 Expressive rock genre
- 35 Bribing
- 36 Rescue op
- 37 Smell bad
- 38 Old DJ's platters
- 39 India Pale __
- 42 Shapeless mass
- 43 Start of a selection process
- 45 Didn't stay put

46 "Thanks, but I'm set!"

- 47 Actress Plummer
- 49 Hackneyed
- 50 __ Island
- 52 Bibliog. catchall
- 54 Brief refresher
- 55 Solitaire foundation card
- 56 Wimple wearer
- 57 Credit-weighted no.

Down

- 1 With hands on hips
- 2 Northern Mexican state
- 3 GM navigation system
- 4 Meant to be
- 5 __-relief
- 6 iPhone purchase
- 7 See 12-Down
- 8 Enjoy the Pacific Crest Trail
- 9 Literary arcs
- 10 Redeemed from captivity
- 11 Carpenter's tool
- 12 With 7-Down, punny message site
- 15 Make leaner
- 19 Leave at the altar
- 23 Expert on feet?
- 24 Foot part
- 25 Wrecks completely

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