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Fed election set for May 2

By Doug McCooney

With the toppling of Canada's 40th Parliament on Friday following the Liberal's non-confidence motion, Canadian politicians have been suddenly thrust into a five-week election campaign blitz - and one area candidate is not wasting any time getting started.

As early as Sunday morning, William Hogg, Liberal candidate for Compton-Stanstead, was seen putting up campaign signs around Lennoxville.

"Raising posters this morning, and it's.....-11 - COLD!!!" reads a message posted on his Twitter page Sunday morning.

In anticipation of Friday's non-confidence motion, Hogg released a statement on Thursday, asking for donations to his eventual campaign.

"Compton-Stanstead has an active and engaged Liberal candidate. We now need a visible candidate," reads the release. "With resources I can go farther - on the ground more, in more homes, in each

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Stanstead to host T-Day

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Sweet willing workers for Colby-Curtis



AL BARBER

The Colby-Curtis Museum in Stanstead held its Sugar on Snow event Saturday. Pictured are (left to right) Suzanne Suitor, Chrissie Wiley and Amber Mackey. Says Kathy Lusty Curtis, "Although the wind was horribly cold, everyone seemed to have a great time. We raised over \$900.00 for the Children's Wish Foundation. Thank you! And a big thank you to our crew who volunteered and to Barry Stevens and Paul Emile Laliberté for their generous donations of the horse and wagon rides and Sugar on snow".

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To all members and non-members of the Chamber of Commerce of Brome Lake, we are inviting you to a meeting that will be held Tuesday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m. in Centre Lac-Brome on Victoria Street.

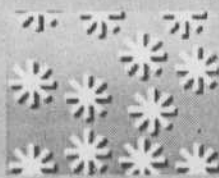


The meeting's objective is to provide you with details following the changes at the Chamber of Commerce, to inform you of our position and to answer your questions and expectations.

We hope to see a great number of you next Tuesday evening.

Suzanne Gregory,
Administrative Manager,
Brome Lake Chamber of Commerce.

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THURSDAY:
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FRIDAY:
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Champlain Regional College to host Annual International Studies Symposium Activism and social change

Lennoxville International Studies will host what has become an annual event at the college, its International Studies Symposium. This year the one-day conference will focus on strategies for building civil society movements for change.

Three speakers will each focus on a different dimension of this issue. Andrew McCann, a CSA (Community Support Agriculture) market gardener, lab technician on the Canadian Potato Genome Project, co-founder of Urban Agriculture Kingston and initiator and coordinator of the National Farmers' Union's Food Down the Road: Toward a Sustainable Local Food System for Kingston and Countryside, (and Bishop's grad), will speak at 9:00 a.m. on lessons learned in the the Save our Prison Farms National Campaign.

At 10:30 a.m., Claude-Catherine Lemoine, a Lawyer at the Point St. Charles legal clinic, will describe her evolution from activist at Champlain to in-

volvement in the Convergence des Luttes Anti-Capitaliste, Urban Agriculture and Anti-Poverty Law & Advocacy. The third speaker, Jonathan Brun, co-founder of Nimonik, an environmental regulatory website that helps companies across Canada manage their environmental obligations, will close the symposium with a talk media and activism at 2:00 p.m.

In addition, the symposium will feature a panel discussion on a variety of controversial questions related to civil society organization-building including all three speakers from 12:45 - 2:00 p.m.

The symposium will be held in the foyer of Centennial Theatre on the Bishop's University campus in Lennoxville and is free and open to the public. Talks are scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. and will run until 3:30 p.m.

The symposium is free and open to the public. Everyone is invited to attend. For further information, contact Nadia Khelil, at 819-564-3666 ext. 197 or at

nkhelil@crc-lennox.qc.ca.

Activism And Social Change
THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2011
CENTENNIAL THEATRE,
BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY

8:30 - 9:00 A.M. Free coffee/snacks
9:00 - 10:15 A.M. Andrew McCann
Save Our Prison Farms National Campaign Lessons: Working with Parliamentarians, Anarchists, Margaret Atwood and Stormy the Donkey

10:30 - 11:45 A.M.
Claude-Catherine Lemoine
Activism in the streets and in the courts... From Convergence des Luttes Anti-Capitaliste to Urban Agriculture to Anti-Poverty Law & Advocacy - An Ex-Champlain Student's Journey

11:45 - 12:30 P.M. Lunch break
12:45 - 1:45 P.M. Panel Discussion: Activism & Social Change
2 P.M. - 3:15 P.M. Jonathan Brun
Opening City Hall - Using technology and policy to make a difference locally.

Uplands Cultural and Heritage Centre exhibit beginning Sunday Patricia Barrowman & Caroline George

The Uplands Cultural and Heritage Center is pleased to exhibit Patricia Barrowman & Caroline George. The public is invited to meet the artists at a vernissage on Sunday, April 3rd, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at Uplands, 9 Speid Street in the borough of Lennoxville (Sherbrooke).

Caroline George

Painter Caroline George was born in Milby and studied Fine Arts in Quebec and in Europe.

George's most recent series focuses on the exploration of expression. Beginning with the portraits of renowned Dutch painter Jan Vermeer, she removes these figures from their contexts and paints them with her own interpretive style.

With the use of graphite, tissue paper, and whatever approach inspires her, she then proceeds to deconstruct the painting, intentionally enhancing the appearance of time on each canvas. Having tended to avoid giving her subjects faces in the past, George has embraced the opposite challenge with her newest work, giving each face a new life, only to return it to antiquity.

George has participated in a number of solo and group shows in Quebec, Ontario, and France. She currently resides and has a studio in Hatley.

Patricia Barrowman

Sculptor Patricia Barrowman obtained her BFA from the Nova Scotia College of Art & Design and has been practicing her art for over 30 years.

Her latest series of clay boats was inspired by an old photograph of a West Coast First Nations woman standing on a pebbly beach along side a weathered dugout canoe. After having



COURTESY

Work by painter Caroline George.

sketched dugout canoes and making patterns, Barrowman then rolled out slabs of clay and constructed the forms. She chose to apply slip glazes to the leather-hard clay rather than glazing bisque ware, explaining that, "slapping slip glaze on clay feels like painting old wooden boats".

Barrowman's work has been seen in numerous exhibits throughout the country.

Uplands is open Wednesday to Sunday, from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. The exhibition will run until May 29th, 2011. Admission is free. For more information, call (819) 564-0409 or visit our web site at www.uplands.ca.

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Ben by Daniel Shelton



LOCAL NEWS

Representing himself, the 68-year-old Kyling is the alleged head of a drug organization that was shutdown as part of the Sureté du Québec's Project Cure investigation in the mid-2000s.

Kyling, family, get emotional at trial

By Doug McCooney

Werner Kyling broke down emotionally as he concluded his closing arguments Thursday afternoon at the Raynald-Fréchette courthouse in Sherbrooke.

As quoted in a recent La Voix de L'Est report, Kyling told the 12-person jury that he has been fighting his case for "six long years." Fighting back tears, he added that he was sure the jurors would make the right decision regarding his fate.

Representing himself, the 68-year-old Kyling is the alleged head of a drug organization that was shutdown as part of the Sureté du Québec's Project Cure investigation in the mid-2000s. He and seven other associates are on trial, facing a total of 50 counts related to an alleged marijuana ring that was observed by provincial law enforcement from the Spring of 2004 to June 8, 2005 in the Bedford region of the Eastern Townships.

The other defendants include Marthe Vandervalk (Werner's wife), Rudy Kyling (their son), Anne-Lise Kyling (their daughter), Benoit Gagnon (Anne-Lise's husband), Brian Bordo, Martin Castilloux, and Gilles Couture.

A Saint-Armand resident, Kyling is facing 14 separate charges, including gangsterism, the most among the defendants. All eight accused face conspiracy

charges for being a part of a criminal organization that specialized in marijuana production and trafficking.

While on Wednesday Kyling said that he was "not a candidate to be Pope," Thursday saw the alleged drug-ring leader admit that he did have pot at his place, just not as much as the Crown is contending.

Following the conclusion of his closing argument, presiding Quebec Court judge Yves Tardif, who has butted heads with Kyling throughout the trial, did so again. The judge instructed the jury that Werner committed no less than 57 judicial violations during his closing arguments, something Tardif characterized as unprecedented.

As observed by the The Record, Kyling was extremely critical of the police investigation, the handling of the case by the Crown, and of lead prosecutor Denis Gallant throughout his two-day closing argument. According to the report, judge Tardif said that a number of the statements he made were either false or in violation of the Court.

Reports from the courtroom Thursday afternoon noted that Kyling's son and wife also gave brief pleas to the jury. Like his father, Rudy is representing himself at the trial. He has been relatively quiet during these lengthy judicial proceedings, spending much of his time reading or working on a sudoku or cross-

word puzzle. Addressing the jury, the younger Kyling noted his lack of appearances on the audio clips that were played by the prosecution during the trial, pointing out that in the times he was recorded, he never spoke of marijuana.

Marthe Vanderwalk - who has spent the trial quietly following along with the headphones that provide real-time translation - spoke briefly and emotionally, saying that she was confident the jury would do their job well. According to reports, her address reduced her daughter, Anne-Lise, and Rudy to tears.

Gilles Couture and Brian Bordo also gave brief closing arguments that echoed much of what Werner Kyling had already said, insinuating that the jury was not being given the whole story.

Richard Prihoda, lawyer for Benoit Gagnon, began his final arguments on Friday and is expected to finish sometime on Monday. Jean-Marc Bénard, lawyer for Martin Castilloux, and Anne-Lise Kyling will also present their final arguments this week.

The trial, which began on November



DOUG MCCOONEY

The Raynald-Fréchette courthouse

1, is being done in front of a bilingual jury comprised of seven men and five women. It is thought that the jury will be sent into deliberation sometime this week or early next week.

The Project Cure raids from June 2005 targeted seventeen residences in Bedford, Saint-Armand, Frelighsburgh, and Philipsburg; leading to the arrest of some 30 suspects, including the defendants.

On top of the arrests, police seized over 10,000 marijuana plants, 63 firearms, over \$350,000 in cash, a number of vehicles including a helicopter, as well as over \$4 million in properties and farming equipment.

For much of the last 20 years, Kyling and his associates are alleged to have exported a significant amount of narcotics to the United States through the Vermont border.

Alleged child abuser Case delayed

By Doug McCooney

The 24-year-old Sherbrooke man facing sexual abuse and incest charges for acts committed against members of his family made a brief court appearance Thursday at the Raynald-Fréchette courthouse in Sherbrooke.

The presiding Quebec Court judge postponed the next step in the judicial proceedings to May 3.

Detained since his late January arrest, the 24-year-old father of two is facing charges of incest, sexual assault in the presence of another person, inciting sexual contact, possession of child pornography, sexual assault, and assault against a minor - all stemming from acts police say he committed against his 18-month-old daughter between October 2010 and January 2011.

An additional charge of incest for acts allegedly committed against his own sister, said to be in her mid-20s, has also been filed against the accused. Those acts were allegedly committed in December 2010.

A 20-year-old woman, the mother of the abused toddler, was also arrested in connection to the acts and she faces similar charges to the 24-year-old man. She is currently out on conditional release and will be back in court on April 18.

While the relationship between the two suspects has not been confirmed, the 20-year-old mother was in attendance at the Raynald-Fréchette courthouse on Thursday for the man's court appearance.

The court has mandated that the names of the accused not be released so that the identities of the victims remain confidential.

UMQ could support city in case vs cops

While the City of Sherbrooke continues to study the Superior Court ruling that upheld the decision of a provincial labour arbitrator to pay four former Sherbrooke police (SPS) officers the more than \$1 million in wages they lost during their judicial process, city officials received news they could be receiving some financial support.

The Union of Quebec Municipalities (UMQ) could cover the legal fees for the city if they decide to appeal the Superior Court decision, as the groups has offered support for other municipalities under similar circumstances in the past.

SPS officers Pierre Bégin, Hugues Ré, Denis Turgeon and Guy Hovington were convicted in 2004 of assault, assault with a weapon, and assault causing bodily

harm for acts committed against Hugo Lemay while he was in police custody in 2002.

On March 25, 2010, Quebec labour arbitrator André Bergeron ruled that the City of Sherbrooke's decision to suspend the four officers without pay following their 2004 conviction was unjustified. The city should have kept paying the officers their full salary, says the ruling, for the period between their initial conviction (December 2004) and the Supreme Court's decision to refuse to hear the case (January 2008) - a period of a little more than three years.

In a recent La Tribune report, Rimouski mayor and UMQ president Eric Forest said that a legal aid fund is available in cases that could have an impact on all of the UMQ members.

Federal elections

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town and village, each neighbourhood, every street."

In the 2008 electoral race, Hogg lost to Bloc Québécois MP France Bonsant, as he managed 22.5-percent of the vote to Bonsant's 41.7.

"The Conservatives do not reflect our values as Quebecers, and I am running against a Bloquiste who has become too

comfortable in her seat," reads the Thursday release.

Bonsant has held the Compton-Stanstead seat since the 2004 election, when she unseated current Lennoxville borough president David Price. On Friday, Prime Minister Stephen Harper announced the federal election would be held on May 2.

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Georgeville mail back to normal; Canada Post

By Corrinna Pole
SHERBROOKE

While they still don't know why some rural Georgeville residents were left waiting weeks on end to receive their mail, Canada Post says service has been running normally for the last two weeks.

Last week Compton-Stanstead MP France Bonsant publicly criticized the sluggish mail delivery crisis plaguing residents in her riding, especially those in Georgeville, that had some people waiting from two weeks to two months to receive their bills and pension cheques.

Canada Post explained that they had received roughly a dozen delivery complaints stemming from mid-February to the beginning of March. They followed

up on the issue and manually reviewed all mail directed to Georgeville as it came through their Magog offices.

Friday, Canada Post Communications Manager Geneviève Latour informed The Record via email that the mail corporation had apologized for the inconvenience noting customers "have the right to expect their mail to be delivered on time" and stated no new complaints had been received after taking steps to correct the problem.

"We are still investigating to understand how that happened to avoid any other occurrence in the future," she stated.

While the cause has yet to be identified, Latour stated the irregular delivery had nothing to do with employee reduction or technology used at the Ville Saint-Laurent processing plant, as previ-

ously suggested in a statement from Robert Thibeault local president of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW).

"At the moment, sequencing of mail is only performed for one city in the province (Laval) and has no impact on the rest of the province," she said adding that the mail service appreciated the efforts of its hard working employees. "We have adequate resources and (number) of employees based on the mail volume we receive. For the past five years, we've seen steady declines in the volume of mail. This means we have to make major changes to our business in order to keep fulfilling our mandate."

Canada Post also insisted the Georgeville incident was not related to the rural mailbox safety review that was completed last year in the Compton-

Stanstead sector and that the corporation continued to be committed to rural service.

"Canada Post is there to say," she said. "Let me assure you that Canada Post is aware of the impact of any change in mail delivery in a rural community, and the solution to change a customer's delivery method is considered only as a last resort. Delivery to RMBs (Rural Mail Box) is maintained where feasible."

According to Latour, the safety review of rural mailboxes resulted in only 15 per cent of boxes being replaced for centralized community mailboxes

Latour pointed out if there are problems with delivery, complaints should be made through Canada Post's Customer Service line (1-800-267-1177) and not at post offices, so the issue can be investigated and logged in their systems.

The Scoop What's 'it' really all about?

By: Mable Hastings

Laura Farley from Calgary, Alberta and Logan Buchanan, from Campbell River, B.C., are two young people volunteering at the Mansonville Elementary School as part of the Katimavik program in Potton.

The Katimavik program gives Canadians between 17 and 21 years old the unique opportunity to take part in an intensive six-month volunteer service program. As a Katimavik volunteer, youth work for non-profit organizations that play an important role in the development of Canadian communities. Starting in January, Potton Township welcomed the first of two Katimavik groups that will each spend six months in the area.

Laura and Logan are two of eleven participants and they have found their niche working alongside MES teachers and the dynamic group of students attending the "little school with the big heart." Both participants commented about the warm welcome they received and how accepting the teachers have been in implementing their ideas and strengths into the curriculum.

Laura leads an Environment class assisted by Logan, every week and the two have even set up one of the unused classrooms and transformed it into a science based environment. Each week the kids learn about subjects like: endangered species, water conservation, compost-



MABLE HASTINGS

Katimavik participants Logan Buchanan and Laura Farley and some of the students from Mansonville Elementary School who are gathered around their freshly painted recycling containers

ing... In addition, they have created an in school re-cycling program. The two also help the kids with literacy and sports. Logan is big on rewarding positive behaviour and effort with some basketball time in the gym.

Mansonville Elementary School Principal, Renalee Gore says that both Laura

and Logan have become a part of their little family at the school.

"Having them with us has been a wonderful experience for everyone," she said, "the students, the staff, the whole school is benefitting."

For Laura, this experience has solidified her plans for the future. When she

returns to Alberta, she will go into Environmental Science and then plans to get her teaching degree. When Logan returns to BC, he plans to work the summer and then, to teach abroad in Thailand for a few years. After that, he plans to pursue a career as an RCMP officer. No lack of ambition for these dynamic young Canadians.

"I like playing badminton with Laura," shared 8 year old Violetta Zeitlinger Fontana, "and with Logan, I like to read books like: A Fabumouse School Adventure!"

For 12 year old Kyle Coté there were a lot of great things to be said about having the two in the school. "They are good at sports and computers," said Kyle with a smile, "those are two things that kids really love to do. They also bring other guests into the school including other members of the Katimavik group and it makes learning more interesting and fun," he concluded.

As the weather changes, plans are being made to get the students outside where they will continue to work on the Community Garden as well as other environmentally friendly projects.

Laura and Logan will no doubt leave the MES students and staff with some wonderful memories and the two of them will walk away from Potton, at the end of their rotation, with an abundance of experience. That is indeed what the Katimavik program is really all about!

Happy birthday Charlie



AL BARBER

Friends, family and colleagues held a surprise party Saturday at Sebby's restaurant in Lennoxville to mark former The Sherbrooke Record Editor Charles Bury's 65th anniversary.

St-Andrew's sugar on snow, a great success Saturday in Lenn



AL BARBER

The event was a delight for this young man.

T-Day is coming to Stanstead

Matthew Farfan

Stanstead has just been selected as this year's host town for Townshippers' Day. Townshippers' Association President Gerald Cutting told the Record last week that the decision was taken by the board of the Association at its monthly meeting last Tuesday. Stanstead was the only town to submit its name.

"We're very excited to have Stanstead hosting T-Day this year," Cutting said. "It's been a long time since we had this event here and we're confident that Stanstead will be an excellent host town."

The Town of Stanstead, Cutting added, "has been revitalizing itself over the last few years. So the timing is very good. We too have been working hard to revitalize the Eastern Townships."

Cutting said that there were a couple of issues that still had to be worked out in relation to Stanstead's proposal, but added that they were all "very minor."

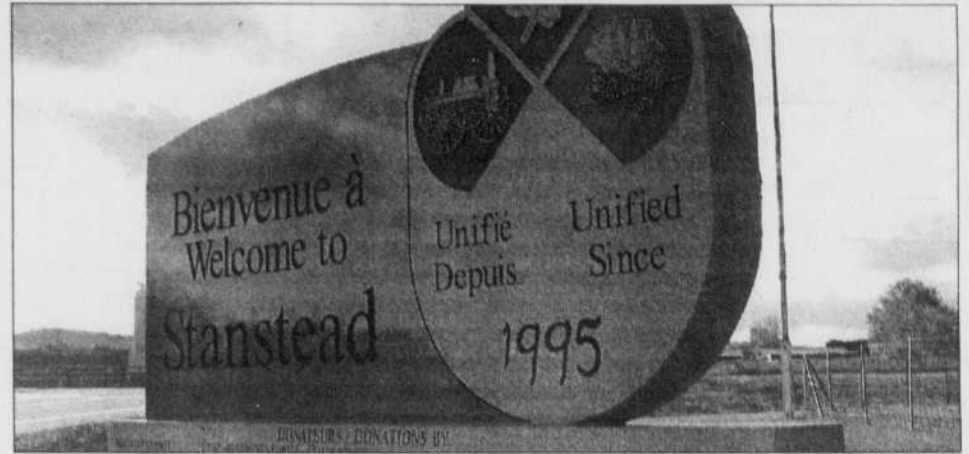
Ingrid Marini, the executive director

of Townshippers' Association, said that those issues all related to questions of logistics, such as site selection, parking, traffic, and the collection of entry donations.

Marini told the Record that she was "thrilled" to be involved in the process of choosing the host town for this year's Townshippers' Day.

"Stanstead is a beautiful town with an exceptional community," she said. "Their enthusiasm as well as their experience with organizing successful events such as Borderfest will help T-Day reach its full potential. At Townshippers, we are all very proud and excited to be collaborating on an event that will showcase and highlight this town and its hard work, dedication and vision. We look forward to working with and meeting each member of this beautiful and vital English-speaking community."

Stanstead Town Councillor Jody Stone, who was behind Stanstead's submission, said that he suggested that T-Day be held on Park Street. He said that he contacted both Stanstead College and



MATTHEW FARFAN

It's official! Stanstead will be hosting the 2011 Townshippers' Day, the town's first since 1996.

Manoir Stanstead (the former Ursuline Convent) and that "they both offered us the use of land and also some of their facilities."

The exact details, Stone added, still have to be determined. "We will have our first meeting in a few weeks to try and get a few of those details worked out."

The last time T-Day was held in

Stanstead was back in 1996. By all accounts, the day was a big success, with the organization and venues first rate. This year's event will take place on Saturday, September 17. Meanwhile, organizers are looking for volunteers. Anyone who would like to help should call Jody Stone or Marise Trépanier at the Stanstead town hall.

Manoir Stanstead set to open, finally

Matthew Farfan

After years of delays, promoter André Fratelli is about to open Manoir Stanstead, a seniors complex located in the former Ursuline Convent in Stanstead. By all appearances, the project has been worth the wait. The renovations, which are nearing completion, are impressive.

Fratelli, a businessman with twenty years of experience in the field of seniors residences, purchased the historic former convent several years ago and has been plugging away at this project ever since. Now, his dream is about to come true. Manoir Stanstead, which is privately funded, is scheduled to open on May 1, 2011.

Wishing to show off what has been done and what the new complex will have to offer, Fratelli held a press conference this past Friday in the chapel of

the former convent. "I'm pleased to say that this old convent is about to take up service once again," Fratelli told the crowd that included the media, local politicians and even a few of the Ursuline nuns who used to live in the convent.

"Everyone said the convent had to be saved. Well, we've done more than save it. We've restored this magnificent building so that it can continue to serve the population by providing seniors with a home in their final years.

Fratelli underlined some of the key services that will help to provide security and comfort to the Manoir's residents, including alarm systems in each room, cameras around the facility, specially fitted bathrooms in each residence, private kitchens in many of the apartments, elevators, a 24-hour snack bar, and a beautiful common room located in the former chapel. Best of all, Fratelli said, "no two rooms here will be the same; they are all different."

During a tour of the building, Fratelli told the Record that Phase 1 of the project, which involves the complete renovation and transformation of the former nuns' residence at the convent, is nearing completion. This

wing, which includes 72 units, the converted chapel, a large, modern kitchen, a dining room, postal boxes, and other amenities, will open on May 1.

Eventually, Fratelli said, a Phase 2 will involve the transformation of the adjacent wing, which contained the former boarding school. "But we want people to see what we have to offer and to see how beautiful this place is before we start that phase," Fratelli said.

On hand for the press conference was Orford MNA Pierre Reid. "This is excellent news for Stanstead," Reid said. "People here have had their share of bad news over the years, especially with the closure of some of the factories, not to mention the Ursuline school - and some of them have lost their optimism. But things are moving."

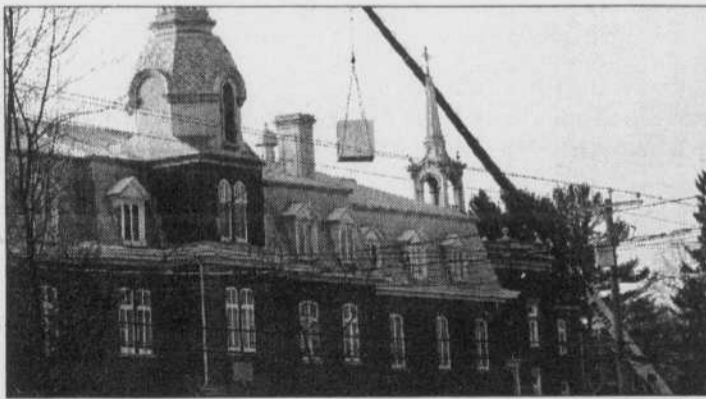
Stanstead Mayor Philip Dutil called seniors "an inestimable asset to the community." He said that "it will be great to see this place that has been empty for so many years come back to life again."



MATTHEW FARFAN

Promoter André Fratelli: "No two rooms here will be the same; they are all different."

Also on hand was Sister Élisabeth Landry, the former superior of the convent, who, along with her fellow sisters Lucienne Labelle and Thérèse Lachance, returned to their former home for the press conference. "It would indeed be nice if people who spent their early years here, attending our school, could spend their last years here, as well."



MATTHEW FARFAN

Cranes were still on site last week at the former Ursuline Convent in Stanstead. Inside, the building is a hive of activity.



MATTHEW FARFAN

Left to right: Sisters Lucienne Labelle, Élisabeth Landry and Thérèse Lachance were pleased with the transformation of the chapel.

Animal cruelty reward at \$3,000!

No one has forgotten the brutal attack on a mother Labrador Retriever (black) and her eight three to four month-old puppies (black and chocolate) who were dumped and left to die in a ditch on Stagecoach Road in the Town of Brome Lake on December 22, 2010.

Many of our Record readers were instrumental in donating to the Animal Cruelty Reward fund over the past several weeks. The efforts of an anonymous community member, together with those

who generously supported this cause, have made offering a substantial reward a reality.

The community continues to believe that 'someone has to know something' and asks that you 'do the right thing' and report any leads you might have to the Police.

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Writers

It is very interesting to observe that the brook trout is still present in our agricultural streams.

Brook trout in Townships' agricultural streams

By Gabriel Diab

Starting in 2007, a project aiming at water quality improvement in four agricultural streams has taken place in the Eastern Townships. All of these creeks are located within the MRC of Coaticook, Memphrémagog and Haut-St-François. Farmers living in these watersheds have made huge efforts to reduce the impact of their activity on the aquatic environment.

In order to take a first look at the fish community's health in these streams, sampling was carried out in the summer of 2010. These samples revealed some good news: Brook trout, once found throughout the territory, is still present in the four streams studied.

Sampling give interesting results

Overall, between 7 and 15 sites were sampled in each stream during the months of June and July. A wide variety of fish species were listed, but special attention was paid to the brook trout. This species of fish is one of the most intolerant to pollution. It is therefore one of the first to disappear when the water quality degrades. Although it was not present everywhere, it was found in about 50% of the sampled sites and in all four studied streams. Based on our results, areas of reproduction could also be identified. Moreover, some of the most problematic areas, where water quality really needs to improve, were located.

Ways of helping brook trout population

It is very interesting to observe that the brook trout is still present in our agricultural streams. However, to increase the population and to broaden its distribution, different actions must be taken.

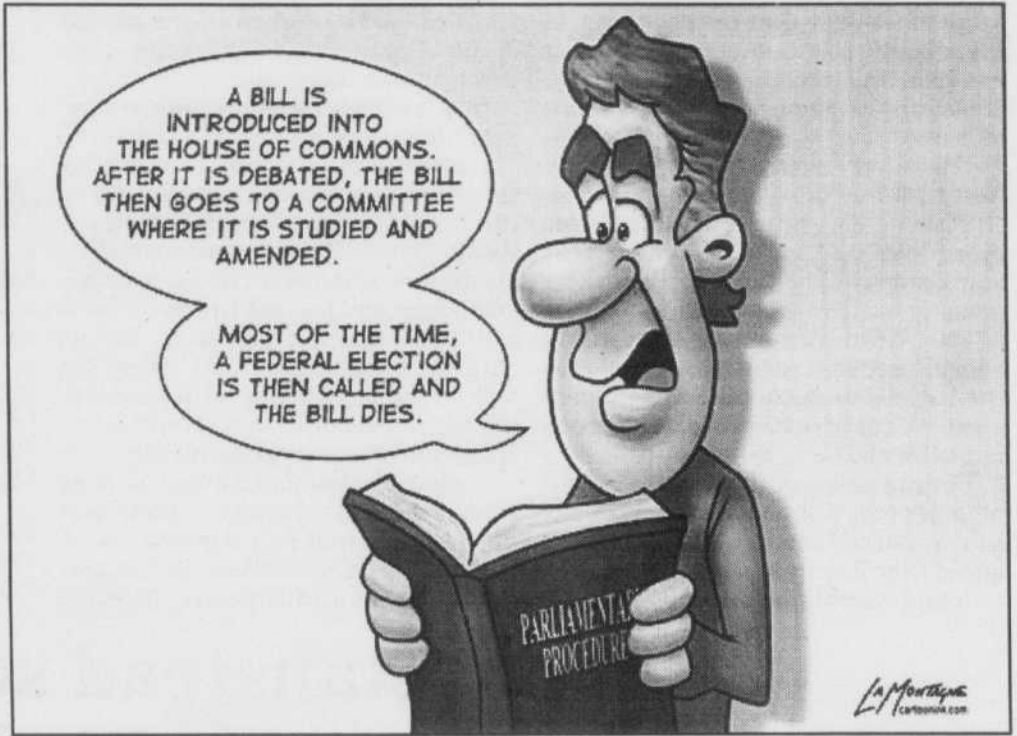
Agricultural practices must be made to reduce inputs of sediment. In these cases, erosion control makes a lot of sense. Also, planting trees along the river creates shade and helps keep the water cool. This is essential to the survival of trout. Moreover, good oxygenation of water is another favourable factor for the species. Inputs of nutrients such as phosphorus, indirectly causes a decrease of dissolved oxygen in the water. Respecting the present standards and practices in terms of fertilization and manure application is another winning condition.

Finally, arrangements can be made to increase the quality of breeding sites where water quality has improved. Therefore, spawning grounds might be staged in these four streams in order to increase the population of trout.

Conclusion

Overall, very encouraging results were obtained in the four sampled streams. Although there is still a lot of work to do to significantly improve water quality, we can affirm that the species of highly prized fish, brook trout, is still part of the Townships agricultural scenery.

Gabriel Diab, is coordinator of the Concerted Action Plan on Agro-environnement for the Conseil de gouvernance de l'eau des bassins versants de la rivière St-François, 5182, Boul. Bourque in Sherbrooke.



Letters

DEAR EDITOR,

Open letter to David Price and the Lennoxville council

I read what you did to Terry Moller and I was angry and couldn't believe it. I thought what was in your home was safe. What you did to this man was horrible. How safe are the rest of us? Does some higher up official want this property for whatever reason?

I can see a big mess was outside and the neighbors complaining and the town may have to clean that up. But inside the home NO! What would you do if the same people decided that they didnt like the way your homes were? What would you do if they came and pitched it all out?

Where is common decency? I guess it's true the higher up the apple tree, the harder they fall. You could have sent a couple of good people to help the man liquidate if it had to be, but I still can't see it being done inside his home.

BETH STRAPPS
BURY

DEAR EDITOR,

The borough of Lennoxville should hang their heads in shame. I'm sure that your valuables and family heirlooms are very precious to you, Mr. Price. My Dog Maudie has better judgement.

If you happened to be running in some future election, you would not get my vote again.

Totally disgusted
DIANE BELL
SAWYERVILLE

DEAR EDITOR,

My Dearest Mable:

Regarding Kyle Burnett from Abercorn - this is a great story! I remember when Kyle first started coming to the Youth Center, he was so shy. It has been a treat to watch him grow into the young man we see in the picture.

Actually, we had sugar on snow at home with Mom & Dad last week-end and I used the rest of the syrup that I had bought from Kyle last year.

I hope that he does well again this year, and again congratulations on yet another successful story by "our" Mable Hastings.

Your articles truly do make a difference to the readers of Potton.

Love,
BRENDA CLARK
PURCHASING MANAGER
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The 1948 Bromptonville flood

Jody Robinson
ARCHIVIST

As the Townships begins to thaw out each spring, there is usually concern about rising river levels, ice jams and the threat of flooding.

We have certainly experienced dramatic and destructive floods over the last century. Some of the most striking flood photos come from the 1948 Bromptonville flood. On Saturday afternoon, March 20, 1948, the St. Francis River was rising quickly from rain and melting snow. At Bromptonville, the situation was made worse by an ice jam that formed at the Brompton Pulp & Paper dam.

While other towns along the St. Francis River, such as Sherbrooke and Windsor, experienced some flooding that night, it was nothing compared to what Bromptonville experienced. By late afternoon, the water was already 6 feet deep in some areas. The river continued to rise into the dark hours of the night and terror set in as the centre of the town lost power and residents were forced to escape their homes with only the light of sparks flashing from fallen power lines to guide them. Cries of distress rang out through the darkness from those trapped on the second floor of their houses. Over 200 people found refuge in the hall of the Catholic Church.

Sunday dawned to reveal the extent of the devastation. In some places, the ice that had been left was 30 feet high; 17 houses were completely destroyed, swept from their foundations and scattered in pieces.

In the end, 100 people lost their homes, 1 man died, telegraph lines were destroyed, the Canadian National Railway station was heavily damaged and over 1 kilometer of railway track was torn up by the force of the flood.



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Linking Lennoxville and the surrounding communities

The Hut rummage and bake sale

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New venue for local job fair

Sylvia Bullard

At least seventy-five exhibitors, employers and training institutions – including three from Lennoxville – were present at Sherbrooke’s new Exhibition Center located at 1600, Blvd du Plateau-Saint-Joseph in order to fill more than 2,000 jobs that are available in the Eastern Townships. This show takes place each spring in Sherbrooke and in recent years has brought together exhibitors offering nearly 3,000 jobs coveted by over 4,500 visitors. It was formerly held at Les Serres at CEGEP de Sherbrooke.

Karen Mckenna and Melanie Richard representing ETFS Travel Insurance noted how much they really liked the new venue. “It is open and spacious and the air flow seems to be better, bringing about some new energy. The bus transportation allowed more potential candidates to be able to come out. We have received a lot of interesting CVs,” said Mckenna.

Heather Wynne and Louise Caron from Lennoxville Vocational Training Center said their training center offers nine programs, three in the health sector, three in the commerce and two in



SYLVIA BULLARD

Three exhibitors from Lennoxville were present at Sherbrooke’s new Exhibition Center for annual job fair.

the shop sector of machining and welding. Their center is the French counterpart to 24-Juin in Sherbrooke that awards Diplomas for specialized manpower, but offers the training in English. They were busy recruiting students to enrol in their programs that will be beginning in August.

AFT Inc. who has been making aperatures for more than a hundred years in Lennoxville and has acquired recognized expertise in machining and fabrication was also represented.

Human contact seems to still be the preferred approach during a hiring process and Salon De l’Emploi is a great

way of connecting both employers and employees. Being able to take advantage of the fair at such a new and improved venue surely helped to make it a more positive experience for the many that were involved.

Sylvia.recordlink@yahoo.ca

The Snowscoot gaining popularity in Townships

Sylvia Bullard

This past week Townshipper Isabelle Plante returned from Switserland where she had entered the ‘biggest Snowscoot Competition ever’ from March 18th to 20th 2011 and was declared World Champion from among 150 competitors from 12 countries. Snowscoot riding is very popular in Europe and Asia, hence Plante was up against some fierce competition.

Chances are you may have never heard of snowscoot riding; however it is a sport that is rapidly gaining popularity. Three mountains in the Townships area now accept the practice: Bellevue, Sutton and Owl’s Head. World Champion and part of owner of bicycle shop ‘Velo Shermont’ Plante says “When I first started this sport in 2001, people would ask me what this gadget was. Now they say, “Oh, look at the snowscoot!”

A snowscoot is the mixture of a BMX-bike and a snowboard. It looks like a BMX with a snowboard instead of wheels. There is a long board with linkage installed on it at the back and a short board with the handlebar at the front of it. The operator stands on the board and steers by a combination of

moving the handlebar and distributing body weight permitting the user to easily ride and manoeuvre over a snow surface for an enjoyable experience. It can be folded for easy carrying and transport.

Franck Petoud from France invented the snowscoot in 1991 and by 2002 Plante had started selling them in her family owned shop located at 1137 12th Ave., North, Sherbrooke. Plante says, “They are safer than snowboarding or skiing and easy for beginners because the handle bars provide stability.” She says she has had fewer injuries riding the snowscoot than a snowboard.

The high quality board is made here in the province in Rimouski, while the frame is made in China. “We are currently selling it at a bit of a lower price at nine hundred and fifty dollars in an end of season sale. Prices are also being kept lower right now in order to introduce people to the sport,” Plante says.

While snowscoots may not as yet be as popular as snowboards and skis here in Quebec, they are the perfect solution for the passionate Quebec cyclists who do not want to do without their handle bars in the winter.



SYLVIA BULLARD

Sylvia.recordlink@yahoo.ca Isabelle Plante

The ANAF hut rummage and bake sale



AL BARBER

The ANAF hut had a rummage and bake sale. Put on by the ladies of the Auxiliary. Seen here are (Left to Right) Elizabeth Anderson Hartwell, Connie Vernkam, Marie Letemplier and Wanda Evans Oakley seated.

Opération Enfant Soleil donate over \$912,000 to the CHUS



COURTESY

Opération Enfant Soleil animator Marie-Ève Janvier, Patricia Gauthier, Centre hospitalier universitaire de Sherbrooke (CHUS) director general, neurologist Dr Guillaume Sèbire, with Eryka Rivard-Lafrance Enfant Soleil de l'Estrie, Opération Enfant Soleil President and Director General Ginette Charest, and animator Jean-François Breau celebrate the presentation of \$912,060 to the CHUS to help purchase equipment to better treat sick children. Donated by non-profit organization Opération Enfant Soleil which has given the CHUS nearly \$5.7 million to date, the funds will be earmarked for improved treatment and quality of life for paediatric patients and their families at the future Centre femme-jeunesse-famille.

Jewish Community Centre event April 18

Let My People Go - Peace in the Middle East and Around the World Passover Seder.

Following the events in Egypt that captured the world's attention, our Jewish Community Centre of the Eastern Townships Seder will bring Jews, Muslims, Christians, BaHai's and Atheists to our Passover table and we will be reading from the: "Transition-World," Liberation Haggadah on Monday, April 18, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre of the Eastern Township's Hall, within the Plymouth-Trinity United Church, 380 Dufferin, Sher-

brooke. Enter on Dufferin. (The parking lot is accessed from Rue Terrill, behind the United Church. Then walk to front of the Church, face the front entrance, go to far right side of the building, entrance to our Hall is up the ramp!)

A catered menu includes complete gourmet vegetarian fare, as well as Salmon. The main-dish will include Gefilte Fish and Matzah Ball Soup; and Passover deserts. Traditional Ritual Foods eaten during the reading of our Haggadah ("Haggadah" means, "Telling").

The cost is \$20.00 a person (Children

age 6 and under are free).

Please send your check or money order (in Canadian Dollars) to: JCCET, C/O Melanie Cutting, 14 Maple Grove Street, Sherbrooke, QC, Canada, J1M 1Y5

RSVP To: romano_program@uniserve.com or call: 819-562-6236.

The Jewish Community Centre of the Eastern Townships is affiliated with the Network of Spiritual Progressives. We are pleased to provide for Jewish communal needs, to include, weddings, Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, Memorial Services and periodic speakers at our Commu-

nity Shabbat Potlucks and Jewish Educational Workshops.

The Jewish Community Centre of the Eastern Townships is committed to building cultural and religious bridges, honouring the Multiculturalism of our community here in Sherbrooke and throughout the Eastern Townships.

JCCET has a commitment to social, economic, gender, and racial justice. JCCET has a commitment to Peace in the Middle East that includes the co-existence of an Israeli state and a Palestinian state.

Local Sports

Saturday, both teams presented a show based on quality playoff hockey where everyone played with intensity.

Local hockey teams win Saint-François win semi-final series

Yannick Tremblay score twice Saturday at Sorel to lead the Sherbrooke St. Francois to a 5-4 win that boosted the North American Hockey League team into the semifinals against the Thetford-Mines Isothermic.

The St. Francois take the quarter-final three of five series, 3-1 against a Sorel team led by several former St. Francis. Saturday, both teams presented a show based on quality playoff hockey where everyone played with intensity.

Cougars win Friday
In Junior AAA play Friday night, the Champlain Cougars stayed alive at the Civic Centre in Salaberry-de-Valleyfield when veteran defender Nicolas Poulin scored in overtime to give his team a 6-5 win and restore their home ice advan-

tage in their semi-final against the Valleyfield Braves.
After losing in Sherbrooke 5-3 the day before, the Cougars tied the series 2-2. Game five of the semifinal, four of seven was presented Sunday evening at the Centre Eugène-Lalonde.

Banque Nationale Legion Dominion Curling Championship 2011

The championship was held at the Hudson Legion Curling Club in Hudson, Quebec. For complete tournament information and photos please visit the championship website: www.hudsonlegion.com click on the championship box.

Final Standings

Quebec	7-0
Saskatchewan	5-2
Manitoba	4-3
Prince Edward Island	4-3
British Columbia	4-3
Quebec host (Hudson)	2-5
Nova Scotia(Nunavut)	1-6
Newfoundland/Labrador	1-6

Championship Team - Quebec (Sherbrooke Legion Branch 10)

Skip	Jeff Cheal
Third	Evan Mooney
Second	Matt McCrea
Lead	Danny Comeau

Championship All-Star Team (selected by the curlers)

Skip	Mel Bernard	PEI
Third	Evan Mooney	Quebec
Second	Matt McCrea	Quebec
Lead	Earl Proude	PEI

Sportsmanship Award (selected by the curlers)

Newfoundland/Labrador	
Skip	Dennis Byrne
Third	Cyril Alexander
Second	Barry Lomond
Lead	Ray Lackey

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Bus driver called hero for keeping 'cool'

The Quebec Junior AAA Hockey League and the whole organization of the Valleyfield Braves would like to acknowledge the coolness and all the dexterity of Mr. Michel Veilleux, bus driver for the company Les Autobus Galland.

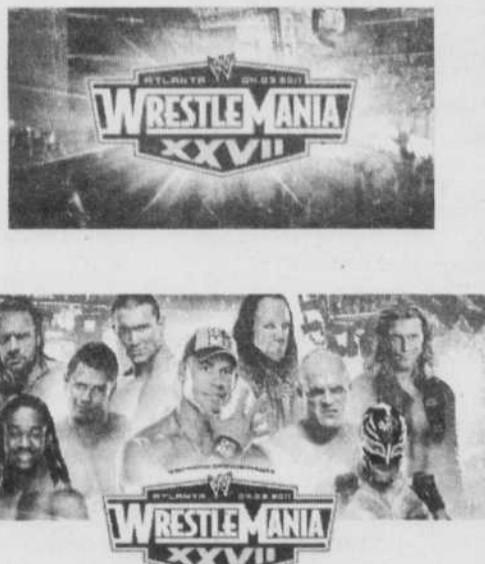
This past Thursday March 24, on Highway 10, when all the Valleyfield Braves team had boarded a bus of the Galland Company towards Valleyfield after playing an evening game against the Cougars du Collège Champlain in Sherbrooke, bus driver Michel Veilleux

avoided a major accident which could have had very serious consequences.

Because of his experience, his calm and especially his composure, Mr. Veilleux kept control of his vehicle to avoid a face to face with another car.

The Quebec Junior AAA Hockey

League and the organization of the Valleyfield Braves want to express their gratitude to Mr. Veilleux and thank him most sincerely for his remarkable feat.



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Sutton Fire



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At approximately 4 p.m. Sunday, the newly renovated offices of Me Louise St. Pierre at 24 Rue Principale in Sutton caught fire. Four fire engines of the Sutton volunteer fire department were at the scene and it took almost 40 minutes to bring the burning roof and top floor of the dwelling under control. The building previously was an art gallery and St. Pierre had just recently opened her offices to the public. The lower floors and an apartment in the rear were unoccupied. Traffic through the downtown core of Sutton had to be re-directed and the road remained closed as of early evening. The cause was yet unknown at press time.

Death



**Robyn
RHICARD**

(1972 - 2011)

Passed away peacefully in Mystic, Qc. March 25th 2011 at the age of 38. Originally from Stanbridge East, Qc. Loving daughter of Bev and the late Terry Rhicard. She will also be dearly missed by her adored children; Jessica and Kyle. Robyn leaves many other relatives and friends.

Family and friends will gather at the:
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Funeral Complex
215 River Street,
Bedford, Qc
450.248.2911

Monday March 28th 2011 from 7 to 9 pm.
Her funeral will take place at the St-James Anglican church in Bedford Tuesday, March 29th, 2011 at 11am. Family members will also receive condolences at the church at 10am day of the funeral. Burial of her ashes will take place at a later date at the St-James Anglican Cemetery in Stanbridge East.
In her memory, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. Forms are available at the funeral home or at www.cancer.ca
Condolences may also be sent via our website www.complexebm.com

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215 River St., Bedford QC www.complexebm.com

Death



**Laura
(Nee
Bickford)
DARRAH
(1913-2011)**

At Knowlton House, on Wednesday March 23rd, in her 98th year, passed away Laura Bickford, beloved wife of the late Norman Darrah.

She leaves to mourn her two sons, Leslie (Christa) and Kenneth (Phyllis), her grandchildren, Christopher, Matthew, Lyndon, Christan, Debbie, Donald, Diane, Kim, Linda, Sandra, Steven, Daniel, Courtney, Amelia, Alfie and their spouses, other relatives and friends.

Resting at the Desourdy Funeral Home, 31 Principale sud, Sutton, QC JOE 2K0, Tel: 450-263-1212 Fax: 450-263-9557 info@desourdy.ca where family and friends will be welcomed on Tuesday March 29th, 2011, from 2 to 4pm and 7 to 9pm, on Wednesday March 30th from 12 to 2pm.

Donation can be made in her memory to the BMP Hospital Foundation www.bmpfoundation.ca would be appreciated (forms available at the funeral home).

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Death

**Malcolm
(Mac)
MCLEOD**

Peacefully at the Hotel Dieu Hospital Sherbrooke, Qc. On Saturday, March 26, 2011 at the age of 86. Mac was the beloved husband of the late Joyce Peasley and loving father of Kathy (Marty), Allan (Cindy) and Neil (Francine). Mac was the cherished grandfather of Jennifer, Michael, Christopher (Jennifer), Jessica, Stephanie (Scott) and Amand, and great grandfather of Logan, Mayson, Kordel and Peyton- Jo. He is survived by his sister Vera Armstrong (Jerry).

Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 3006 College St. Sherbrooke Qc. where friends may call on Tuesday March 29, 2011 from 2-4 AND 7-9 PM.

The funeral service will be held at the St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 256 Queen St. Sherbrooke (Lennoxville) on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at 2 PM. Rev. John Barry Forsyth officiating.

Interment at the Elmwood Cemetery, Sherbrooke at a later date. Memorial tributes in Mac's memory may be made to the St. Andrews

Memorial Fund and will be gratefully acknowledged by the family. MASONS PLEASE NOTE that a Masonic service will be held at 7:30 PM.

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Hatley North Stanstead Women's Insitute

Our February meeting was held at the home of Gertrude Ketchum with 8 members present. We celebrated Gertrude's birthday with a birthday cake.

Our programs for 2011 and W.I. newsletters were distributed. There was a discussion about memberships and our dues were paid. Monies were collected for several items. Scotty Miller read the minutes for our November meeting. A discussion was held about the transfer of the Mansur School to the Stanstead Historical Society. We are having a spring fling May 5 at Eustis Hall to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Provincial Women's Institute. Invitations to many other W.I. groups to join us. We received a invitation to Macdonald College to celebrate Quebec Women's 100th Anniversary. Valentine cards were addressed and arrangements made to deliver them. Refreshments and coffee were served.

Our March meeting was held at Phyllis Dustin's home in Ayer's Cliff on March 3 with 9 members present. Phyllis had tastefully decorated her home for St. Patrick's day. Due to having a guest speaker, we had our lunch first, what a

lunch it was. Phyllis had kept the St. Patrick's Day theme, made 3 kinds of Irish soda bread, Irish sugar cookies, and a green birthday cake to celebrate the birthdays of Winnie Wright, Irene Humphrey and one guest speaker Lynn Wood.

We enjoyed Lynn very much as she gave an informative talk about C.A.B. and all the services they provide.

Phyllis spoke about growing blueberries in Canada. We enjoyed seeing 3 deer come up to the patio to check on us. The Treasurer, Velma Eryou, was absent due to illness, so money will be collected next month. Scotty read the minutes from February. Discussion was held about the craft competition for the fair. Elane proposed it be done in memory of Mildred Roarke who was always involved with the crafts. Our spring fling in May was discussed. We talked about the convention in June at Macdonald College. We were reminded about the county meeting to be held in North Hatley on March 29.

Submitted by
Jackie Tilton

In Memoriam

ANDERSON, Helen Beatrice (Friend), November 17, 1927 - March 28, 2010.

Today our hearts are especially heavy as we remember our cherished mother, on this first anniversary of her passing. Our Mum was a devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Nothing made her happier then spending time with loved ones. And she, in turn, was loved by many. Her endless generosity, kindness and commitment to her family, friends and community will never be forgotten.

Mum, you will forever be, deeply loved and sadly missed.

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I want to be more outgoing, but the problem is public speaking

Dear Annie: I am a 65-year-old male who has been involved in an exclusive relationship for the past four years. "Betty" is 56, and we get along great, travel frequently and have an active sex life.

Several months ago, I began to notice that Betty was becoming quite distant, emotionally and physically. I was frustrated, but didn't make a big deal out of it. However, quite by accident, I discovered that she was active on a dating website. Upon further snooping, I discovered four months of e-mail exchanges with another man. Some of the e-mails were quite intimate, and a few had sexual references. I was devastated, to say the least.

I confronted Betty, and she initially denied it. But when presented with the evidence, she confessed. She said she met the guy twice but nothing sexual happened. I believe her. She said the relationship died out on its own, and the e-mails seem to confirm this. She says she loves me and wants to work it out.

I will forgive her, but I'm having a hard time with it. I simply can't get her betrayal off my mind and worry that I will never be able to trust her. How does one forget? How does one repair what has been lost? — Lost that Trusting Feeling

Dear Lost: It takes time, but it can be done. You must make a conscious effort to push this betrayal out of your mind, and Betty needs to be completely transparent and honest in all her dealings. Her behavior must be beyond reproach since she has to earn your trust again. If you cannot get there on your own, please talk to a counselor, preferably with Betty, and work on this together.

Dear Annie: I am a high school senior and am really quiet and shy. I want to be more outgoing, but the problem is public speaking.

I freak out when I have to speak in front of people. We have a project coming up that requires talking in front of the class. I want to be more confident, but I get scared and whisper. Since I'm going

away to college soon, I thought I should try to overcome this. Can you help? — Quiet and Scared

Dear Quiet: First of all, you are not alone. Thousands of people suffer from some form of speech anxiety. A lot of this is from the mistaken notion that the speech must be perfect, and a great deal of anxiety can be overcome with relaxation techniques. You can find some good suggestions and tips through Toastmasters International (toastmasters.org).

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Not in the Cards," whose husband was seriously ill. She wanted his family to be updated about his medical condition, but they gave her a hard time about it.

I want to let your readers know about Caring Bridge (caringbridge.org). It is a free website, supported solely by donations, that allows caregivers or family members to keep friends and family updated on the medical progress of someone with a critical health issue.

My daughter has been using the Caring Bridge website to keep us updated on the progress of our "tiny angel" (our granddaughter), who was born after 24 weeks gestation, weighing only one pound. Our granddaughter is doing amazingly well, and we are all thankful that Caring Bridge has allowed family and friends all over the country to see pictures and read the journal of her progress. There were days when our granddaughter's progress was hard to talk about. The website has been a godsend and has saved my daughter from the stress of many phone calls and e-mails during this difficult time. — Grateful Nana

Dear Nana: Thank you so much for letting our readers know about this useful and compassionate website. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Dear Annie: I've been with my husband for 14 years. I have a career and

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make good money with excellent benefits. But "Ben" hasn't

found himself quite yet. He is now in his early 30s and has studied architecture, business, machining, personal training, mechanics, computers and more. He has started a few businesses, all of which fizzled. He has trouble making decisions about a career, and whenever he gets close to finishing what he starts, he second guesses himself and starts a new path. None of the men in his family are particularly confident. I believe he is afraid to fail.

Ben's mother has always been the family leader and is extremely critical of her husband and children. Anytime he begins a new endeavor, she shoots him down. I try to give him praise to counteract her, but it isn't enough. While I don't mind bearing the load financially, I really want to see Ben come into his own. I think it would help our marriage and set a good example for our children.

We recently had a baby, and it's looking as if Ben will be a stay-at-home dad. This is fine with me, but I wonder if he will ever find a career and thrive in it. Is there anything I can do to help him along, or should I just accept the way things are? Am I crippling him because of my success? Everything else about him is perfect. — Married to Undecided

Dear Married: You are not crippling him. Ben's problems may stem from attention deficit disorder, his parents or some combination of psychological issues. It would probably take a bit of therapy to unravel the causes and work on changing the way he approaches his life. If the two of you are willing to invest the time and money, suggest he talk to a psychologist.

Dear Annie: A few years ago, I had my first name legally changed. I never liked the one I was given at birth. Had I known how easy the process is, I would have done it when I was 18 instead of waiting

until age 29.

All of my friends call me by my new name, as do my co-workers and in-laws. However, in my immediate family, only my sister acknowledges the change. It would mean a great deal to me if my parents and aunts and uncles would call me by my chosen name instead of my birth name, but they refuse, saying, "We have been calling you this for almost 30 years. Don't expect us to switch now."

They read your column every day. Perhaps if they see this they will understand and change. — Kentucky

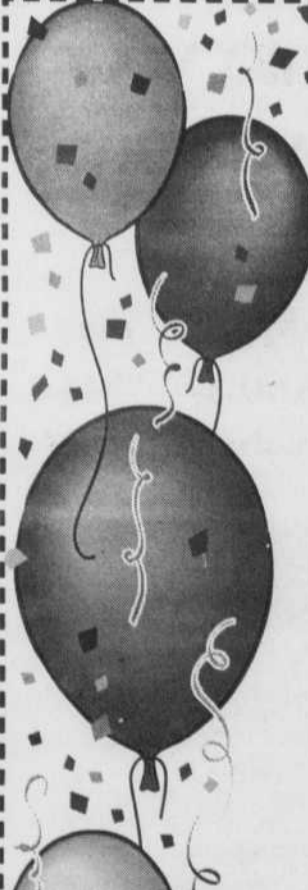
Dear Kentucky: Don't count on it. We suspect it is a bit hurtful to your parents that you changed your name from the one they gave you. For them, we'd recommend tolerance, pretending your old name is a "family nickname." But if that isn't possible for you, try helping them out. Pretend you don't hear your old name. Give them a minute to remember the new one. Remind them gently when they forget or refuse to use it.

Dear Annie: I chuckled when I read the letter from "Won't Lose My Job for Her," whose co-worker sells makeup out of her desk. I used to work at a bank, and a co-worker sold snacks and soda out of an unused filing cabinet.


Granted, she never asked anyone to handle sales while she was busy (that would be irritating), but everyone was quite happy with the arrangement. We had snacks and drinks for a cheaper price than the often-broken vending machines, she made a little pocket money, and a couple of times a year she'd take some of her profits and throw the office a lunch party. — Arcata, Calif.

Dear Arcata: We can see how you would put up with this, since it didn't inconvenience you. But we cannot imagine any business owners would approve.

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



Happy 80th Birthday



A very happy and special 80th Birthday is wished for Eugene Naylor of Lennoxville on Monday, March 28, 2011

We all wish you good health and happiness with much love.
Best wishes from all your family and friends

Danville UCW Whist party

On March 17, twelve tables of Military Whist players gathered in the United Church Hall. After a welcome by Dorothy Evans, play started and produced the following results.

Highest score: Ian and Shirley Smith with Francis and Judy Saffin.

Second score: Donna Ham, Robert Dunn, Carol and Peter Boisvert.

Third prize went to George, Hugh, Ray Lancaster and Raymond Mastine.

Door prizes were won by Harold and Rachel Willey, Robert Dunn, Ghislaine Redburn, Ray and Elizabeth Mastine, Helen Healy, Peter and Carol Boisvert, Donna Ham, Joyce Mastine, Willey Leblond, Sue Coburn, Lucy Beaudin, Ethel Mastine, Hugh Lancaster, Ian and Shirley Smith, Ross and Jean Davidson, Micheline Enfield, Isabelle Lacroix, Doris Weare, Annabelle Mastine, George and Grace Tay-

lor, Norma Morin, George and Evelyn Horan, Ron and Dorothy Evans, Marge and Ray Lancaster, Blanche Mastine, Hazel Pezzi, Marion MacAllister, Patsy Biggs, George Lancaster, Fran Dewar, Joan Brontzman, Raymond Fortier, Muriel Webb, Sherley Provis, Francis and Judy Saffin and our youngest player James Neilson.

The lucky winner of the grocery bag was Patsy Biggs.

Lunch was served at a table decorated for St. Patrick's Day with a table centerpiece made by Jeffrey Evans.

Thanks go to Rachel and Harold Willey, to all who donated food and prizes and to all who attended. We hope to see you all back on April 21 for our final Whist of the season.

Submitted by Eleanor Besmargian

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by Luis Campos

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Today's clue: O equals C

"IME'S SPYY DP VCMKS SLP JMBYI.
EMS SMIVT. GS'R RXBGEFSGDP...
VEI SLP AGIR VBP SBTGEF SM LGS
SLP OKBZPCVYY." - XPSP LVDGY

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "I would imagine that if you could understand Morse code, a tap dancer would drive you crazy." - Mitch Hedberg

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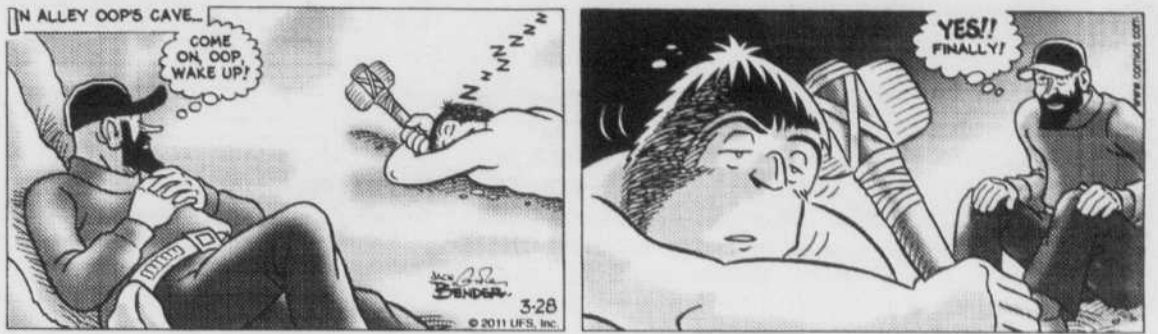


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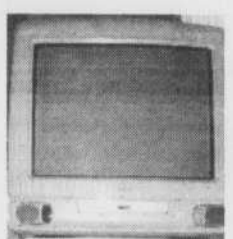
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Both Lady Luck and circumstances will be trending in your favor in the coming year, making you far more fortunate than usual in fulfilling your ambitious aims. However, it will be up to you to make the most of it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — If you have to deal with a person who thinks they are always right, the only way you'll be able to get your points across is with diplomacy and tact.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Any frustrating situation that confronts you is likely to be self-imposed. Tread carefully so that obstacles you accidentally put in your own path don't trip you up.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Don't allow yourself to get drawn into the middle of a squabble among friends, when involved in a group endeavor. If you let your guard down, prepare to bicker.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Once you set your mind on a specific objective, you become a very determined person. Currently however, it might be difficult for you to focus on a goal, and you could easily veer off course.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — It's not advisable for you to attempt to make some major changes in an arrangement with friends. Conditions are already delicate, and trying to usurp their plans could make matters worse.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Be ex-

remely watchful if you decide to get involved with friends in an endeavor that requires everyone to pitch in financially. The person running the show might get a good deal, but you won't.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — In an arrangement with a friend, don't worry too much about his/her intentions. Instead, if you show that you're concerned about doing what's right, you pal will automatically follow suit.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — It is never a good time to lower your level of work performance. Your industriousness will be noted, and if it doesn't measure up to expectations, you'll suffer the consequences.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Although you love to gamble and are usually pretty good at it, this is not a day to involve yourself or friends in any type of risky venture. Be smart and use good judgment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Discontent on the home front is likely because family members may try to place the blame for things that go wrong on anybody but themselves. Don't join in.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Adopting an indifferent attitude will cause you to act without first considering the consequences of what you are doing. Try to curb any kind of impulsive move.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Before the day is over, there is a strong possibility that your wallet will begin to look like a sieve. You had better plug up any leaks caused by destructive extravagance.

Monday, March 28, 2011

Give an opponent a chance to help

By Phillip Alder

One of the arts of declarer play is giving a defender a chance to aid your cause. In this deal, you bid brilliantly to seven diamonds. How should South plan the play after West leads the spade queen?

It is much easier said than done to get to seven diamonds, which is an excellent contract. In this constructed sequence, where I have used a convention to fit the layout, North's three spades showed length in both minors. After South set diamonds as trump, North control-bid (cue-bid) his first-round heart control, South control-bid in spades, North showed his second-round club control, and South leapt to seven diamonds — real bridge players don't need Blackwood! North was nervous that his partner had assumed he held the club ace. But if South had been missing an ace, he would have used Blackwood over four hearts.

The contract looked too easy — draw trumps and claim. But just in case East had all three missing diamonds, declarer won the first trick with dummy's spade king and called for the diamond jack. East was caught napping. Holding the 10 as well, he thought it could not cost to cover with his queen.

He learned a salutary lesson when

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

South won with his ace, ruffed a heart in the dummy, and ran the diamond nine through East. Seven diamonds, bid and made.

Of course, if East had played low smoothly at trick two, declarer was going to win with his ace. He was not going to risk losing to a singleton or doubleton queen in the West hand.

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- 1 Muddy stuff
- 5 Fallback option
- 10 Pinochle calls
- 14 Bounce, as off a canyon wall
- 15 Margaret Mead's island
- 16 Tom Joad, for one
- 17 Tool that can extract nails
- 19 Princess played by Lucy Lawless
- 20 Spanish song
- 21 Surprise "from the blue"
- 22 "Get Smart" evil agency
- 23 Silky sweater
- 25 Bard of boxing
- 27 It's poured into an iron at breakfast
- 34 They may be outsourced
- 37 King with jokes
- 38 Keebler cracker
- 39 Oral health org.
- 40 Aerialist's apparatus
- 42 Pictures on the wall

43 Back biter?

- 45 "Without a doubt!"
- 46 Mars' Greek counterpart
- 47 United Kingdom currency
- 50 Heavy drinker
- 51 Tranquilize
- 55 Plastic user's concern
- 58 Words of woe
- 62 Autobahn autos
- 63 Length times width
- 64 Fur bartered by Native Americans
- 66 Highlands dagger
- 67 "Bye for now"
- 68 "I did it!"
- 69 High school skin problem
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31 Russian ruler of yore

- 32 To be, in Burgundy
- 33 Charlie Brown's "Darn it!"
- 34 Doorway feature
- 35 Sign of spoilage
- 36 Java neighbor
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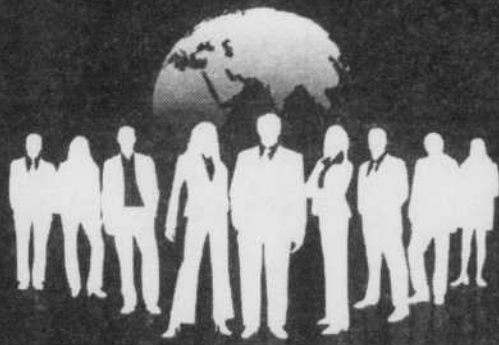
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- 60 Brisbane buddy
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- 65 Medical drama settings, for short

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Down

- 1 Tourist magnet
- 2 Golden St. collegian
- 3 P.F. ___'s: Chinese restaurant chain
- 4 Shows servility
- 5 Free TV spot
- 6 Moussaka meat
- 7 Bullets and such
- 8 Seasonal song
- 9 Pub bill
- 10 Tailless flying toy
- 11 Swedish furniture giant
- 12 Flintstone pet
- 13 Aral and Arabian
- 18 Traditional round dance
- 24 Miles away
- 26 Act like a couch potato
- 28 Lightning burst
- 29 Drink à la Lassie
- 30 Juan's January

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