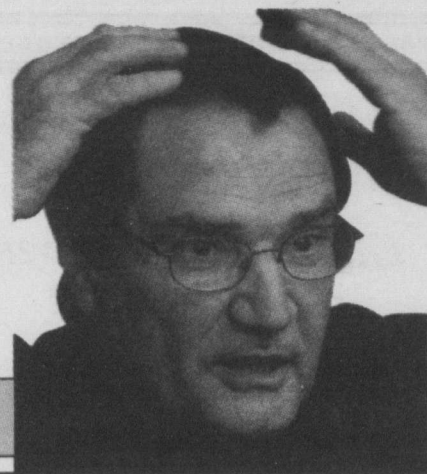


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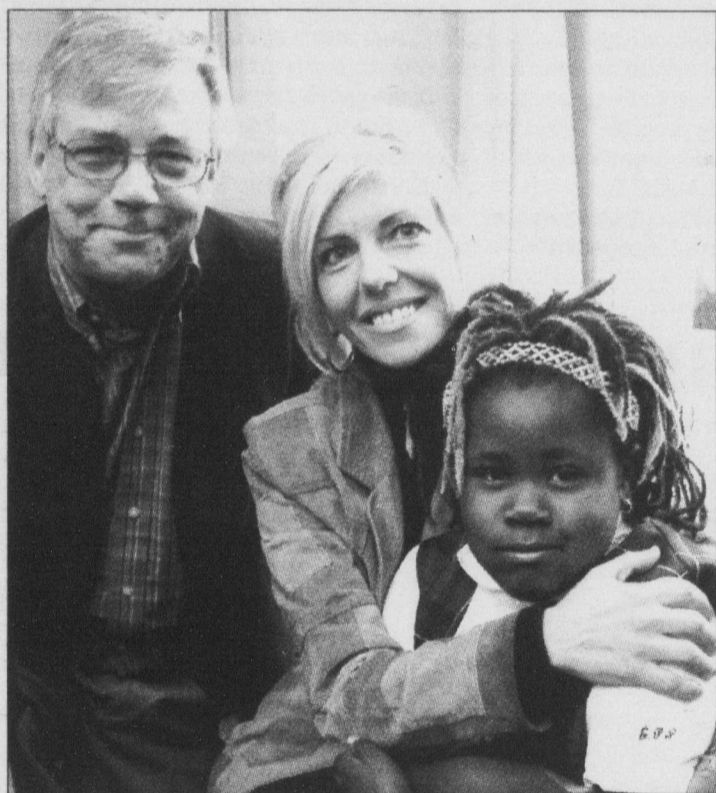
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Local blitz to raise funds for Haitian relief



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Aid worker Jean Lefebvre, and Bridgette Beaudoin and her Haitian daughter Pénélope were among those who pleaded with local residents to give generously during Thursday's blitz to help Haitians.

By Rita Legault
SHERBROOKE

Already the poorest and most unstable country in the Western Hemisphere, the situation in Haiti has taken a turn for the worst

in the wake of a tropical storm Jeanne more than two weeks ago.

The official death toll rose to 1,870 on Monday. Another 884 are missing and presumed

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Lenn residents petition council on student housing

By Leah Fitzgerald
SHERBROOKE

Lennoxville residents presented a petition to Sherbrooke city council Monday night asking the city to limit the number of boarders in a residence to four.

The bylaw already exists in the former city of Sherbrooke to curb problems with student housing around both the University of Sherbrooke and the Collège de Sherbrooke.

James Kerr and René Hirbour told council that applying a law already in existence in one section of the new city should not be a problem.

Mayor Jean Perrault said the city is in the process of harmonizing zoning and other bylaws, which should be completed for June 2005, and that there may not be a legal recourse to push through that kind of bylaw for Lennoxville.

"We're currently undergoing public consultations for all the bylaw changes in the new city," Perrault said. "We may not have any legal recourse to force an immediate change to the existing bylaw from the former town of Lennoxville."

Kerr said Lennoxville faces a different situation than the rest of the city. During the door-to-door

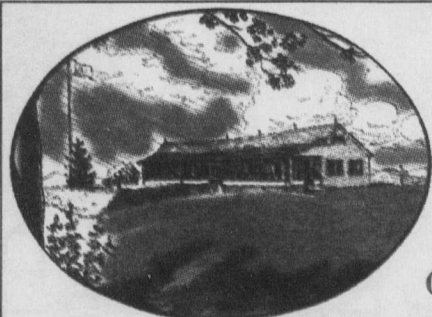
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Running for Terry



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Students at Sherbrooke Elementary School held their annual Terry Fox run yesterday, recalling the spirit of the young Canadian whose heroic effort did so much to raise awareness and funds for cancer research.



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Global development talks tonight

The invitations are out, the publicity is published, and tonight the doors open on the Townships portion of the Global Development Plan for the English-speaking community of Quebec.

If you have an interest in the future of the English-speaking community in the Eastern Townships, you are invited!

The place to be tonight is the Amédée-Beaudoin Community Centre, 10 Depot St., Lennoxville, at 7-9 p.m.

And tomorrow night, the place to be is the Townshippers' Association's Cowansville office, 203 Principale, Cowansville, at 7-9 p.m.

What is the Global Development Plan? It is a five-year plan for the development of the English-speaking communities throughout Quebec. It sets priorities in eight sectors: health and social services, education and training, employment, heritage, arts and culture, youth, media, and visibility and leadership.

The priorities for each sector were developed by a task force with members

from various regions of Quebec, including the Townships. Participants in tonight's and tomorrow's meetings will have a chance to meet many of the Townships task force members: Marion Standish and Lynn Beattie for health and social services, Charles Bury for Media, Douglas MacAulay for Visibility and Leadership, and others.

The meetings will be facilitated by Susan Grundy, who has guided the planning process since it began two years ago. The agenda will include a balance of background information, description of the plan itself, and opportunity for participants to provide feedback, comments and concerns. An outline of the Plan will be distributed at the meetings, as well.

Full details about the Global Development Plan are available at www.english-speakingquebec.ca. If you cannot attend the meetings, your comments are still welcome on the Web site. This is a wide-open opportunity for any member of the English-speaking community to have a say in this roadmap for the long-term development of our community.

Quoting the chair of the GDP Committee, Karl McKay, "Our communities

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are strengthened when we work together. We need to be heard and our goal is to speak with a shared voice so that we'll be heard at all levels of government, by the Francophone majority in Quebec, and by other Canadians. Speaking together, we'll be heard!"

The GDP is funded by Canadian Heritage, which has funded similar plans for the French-speaking minority communities in other provinces. The planning process is being spearheaded by the Quebec Community Groups Network, which represents 23 English-language community groups across Quebec, including Townshippers' Association.

Your feedback is wanted!

HONORARIA FOR RETIRED PERSONS

Townshippers' Association is still looking for retired individuals to deliver a new wellness program to English-speaking seniors in their local area of the Estrie region. The program, Healthy Active Living (HAL) 50+, organizes popular education workshops.

Remuneration will be in the form of a monthly honorarium. Interested?

Contact Kim Bailey, HAL 50+ Coordinator, Townshippers, Association, 100-257 Queen, Lennoxville, QC J1M 1K7, by phone, 566-5717 (toll free 1-866-566-5717), or by email, kb@townshippers.qc.ca

BUTTONS! BUTTONS! MAKE YOUR OWN!

Johanne, our button lady is back early this week - today instead of Thursday. Stop in from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the Association's Lennoxville office at 257 Queen St., just across from Pep's Restaurant. Johanne will be on hand to assist you during those hours.

The cost for making a button is just \$1, whether it is of the Townships Tartan, one of our logos, or a drawing or name tag of your own design. So stop by!

These nifty buttons were a big hit in Townshippers' Association's 25th anniversary tent at Townshippers' Day in Magog, among children and adults alike. Community groups or school classes can borrow the machine for a day or so to make buttons for your own special cause or event. Just contact

Cathy Turner at 566-5717 (toll free 1-866-566-5717) or ct@townshippers.qc.ca. But act fast!

SQ seeks Ayer's Cliff fraud artist

Staff

The Sûreté du Québec is asking for the public's help in tracking down a woman who passed a bad cheque at the CIBC in Ayer's Cliff in June.

"We have tried other avenues but we were unsuccessful in finding her," said SQ spokesman Const. Louis-Philippe Ruel. "We have run out of leads so we are asking for the public's help."

The woman entered the CIBC with a cheque for \$12,000, apparently from a reputable company. She opened an account and then withdrew several thousand dollars. She then went to several bank machines to withdraw much of

the rest of the money.

The woman is described as being about 40 years of age, with long brown hair. She is about 1.65 metres (about five-foot-four) tall and weighs about 72 kilos (160 pounds). At the time she opened the account she was seen with a black man, but no description of this individual is available.

Anyone with information about this fraud is asked to contact the SQ at 310-4141, and ask for Sgt. Claude Brindle, head of investigations for the Memphremagog detachment of the SQ. Or you can call the Info Crime line at 1-800-711-1800.



BRIEF

Say no to road hunting

With hunting season underway, the ministry of natural resources, wildlife and parks is reminding hunters to stay off the roads.

Under provincial regulations, it is forbidden to fire a rifle, shotgun, muzzle loader, bow or crossbow from a road. Hunters are to be at least 10 metres (about 33 feet) from a public road before shooting.

It is also forbidden to shoot at an animal that is on a road, or to shoot across a road.

Weather

Today: Cloudy. 40 percent chance of showers. Winds southwest 20 km/h. High 15.

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Friday: Sunny. Low 6. High 18.

Saturday: Showers. Low 9. High 12.

Normals for the period .. Low 2. High 14.

Ben by Daniel Shelton



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circulation of the petition, Kerr said he noticed many of the homeowners in Lennoxville were older, and that many of those homes would likely be for sale in the next years.

"Our quality of life is deteriorating," Kerr said. "There is a great diversity in the community, linguistic, occupational, cultural. We want there to be mutual respect."

Kerr said the city needs to prevent Lennoxville from becoming a haven for absentee landlords who rent out rooms, without leases, to students by the half-dozen.

"In some cases, there are eight students living in one house," he said.

Keith Baxter is already facing that situation. He lives on Park Street, not traditionally part of the Bishop student ghetto, in Lennoxville, and his house faces a party house.

"They heard the top ten on David Letterman, and the eight guys came here specifically to build a party house," he said. "They've certainly been successful."

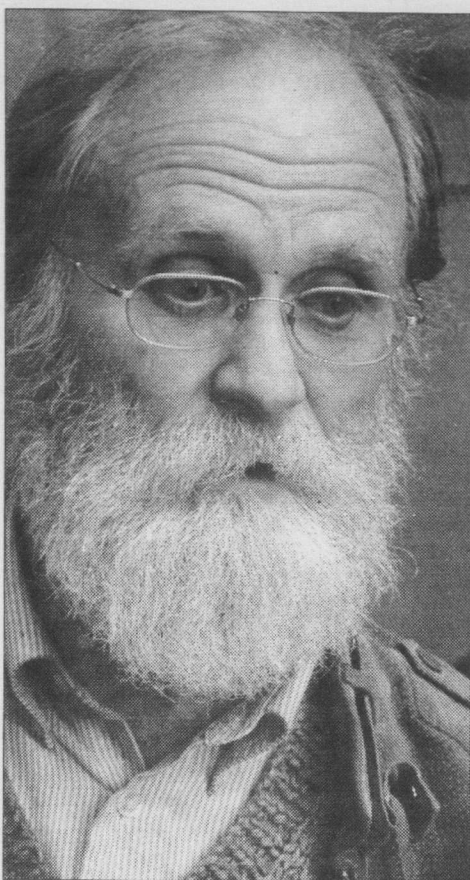
Late night talk show host David Letterman listed Bishop's University as number ten in party schools out of the over 2000 universities in North America.

Heavy partying, especially at the beginning of the school year, is nothing new in Lennoxville — the Sept. 10, 1986 story in The Record headlined "Flying bottles at the Elmwood resulted in posse of local cops" describes altercations between students and police at bars in Lennoxville — the Elmwood and the Georgian. Parties are nothing new, but the movement into traditionally quiet residential neighbours is.

Kerr stressed that it's important to act now, while the citizens, the university and the police are all willing to stand behind a change.

Eric Clark, who lives on Belvidere in Lennoxville, said the residents have had enough.

"[Councillor Serge Paquin] said the city doesn't have enough power to handle all the bylaws," Clark said. "There's a code of student conduct [at Bishop's], and it's



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Keith Baxter lives across the street from a party house.

never been applied. The police have this zero tolerance rule, and it's still not being applied.

"There are 435 signatures on that petition. Enough is enough."

Paquin said the city is looking at providing more resources for the enforcement of bylaws, since problems still exist around the Collège de Sherbrooke and the University of Sherbrooke. Councillor Jean-François Rouleau said there have been incidents in Sherbrooke at student residents, and that they can't always check every location.

Perrault repeated on several occasions during Kerr and Hirbour's time at question period that the University of Sherbrooke has many more students than Bishop's University (about 12,000 more), and that the city is aware that the problem is coming to a head.

"I've visited Lennoxville with Mr. MacAulay," he said. "We went to several problem locations, and I see that there is definitely a problem."

Lennoxville borough chief Doug MacAulay said the council is definitely beginning to understand the particularities of Lennoxville's problem.

"We went to

houses last week, and handed out two \$300 fines," he said. "We went to another and asked them to clean up or face the fine. It's small steps, but it's steps in the right direction."

MacAulay said the point isn't just to fine students for not taking care of the outside appearance of the house, though that might be what forces the neighbours to call in.

"We want to make sure the students are living under safe conditions," he said.

Perrault said the council will continue monitoring the situation in Lennoxville.

In other council news:

- Two North ward residents asked why the city still hasn't made the empty lot next to the old jail on Winter Street into a designated green space.

Anne Danseau and Jacques Legault appeared at question period to remind council of a 2001 petition signed by 252 residents in the area of Queen, Montreal, Moore, Island, William, Winter and Belvidere Streets in Sherbrooke.

Danseau said she remembered the Jacques-Cartier borough council recommending the area be declared a green space.

Councillor Dany Lachance said the lot, which is owned by the City of Sherbrooke, was taken off the list of properties for sale by the city. Councillor Chantal L'Espérance said the council had recommended the lot be named a green space, but that process had not been followed through. L'Espérance said there is money set aside in the borough's 2005 budget — \$20,000 — to clean up the space, but that the borough cannot proceed without proper zoning designation on the lot.

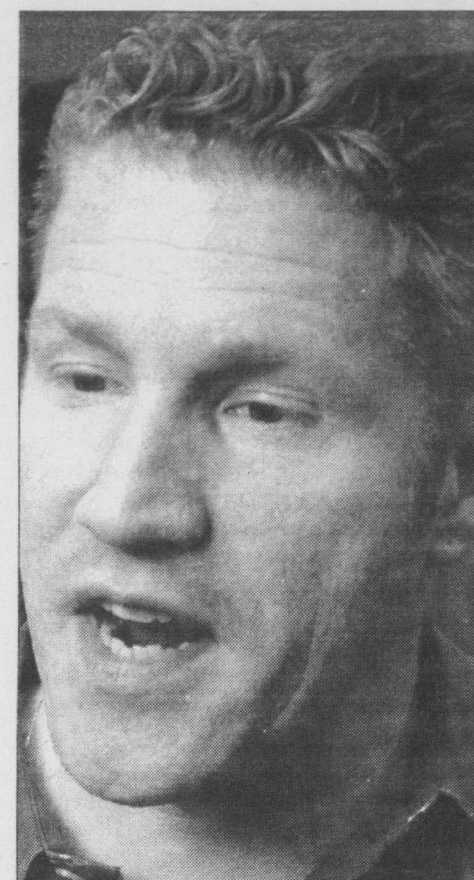
Perrault said the city is in the process of changing zoning in the entire new City of Sherbrooke, and that each green space and park is being revisited by the council to determine the correct designations. It's expected to be finished for June 2005.

That could hold up the park until 2006.

Danseau said the lot is "sinister" right now — unclean and badly lit. She said the children in the neighbourhood already use the lot, since it's dangerous to cross busy streets to neighbouring parks on Queen (the Champs de Mars) and London Streets.

Danseau said the old jail is already part of an historical tour of the City of Sherbrooke, and that a nice park would improve the area both for neighbourhood residents and visitors to the city.

- Council has asked the legal department to proceed with approval for a



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Eric Clark, who lives on Belvidere in Lennoxville wants existing regulations enforced.

demolition order for two lots on Wellington Street South. The city was offered the chance to buy the building at 114-120 Wellington South and take responsibility for the demolition of the building, which was severely damaged in a fire May 3, 2003. An engineer determined in Oct. 2003 that the building was too damaged in the fire to be recuperated. The owner, Jean Larkin, offered the city the chance to buy the structure for \$1. The city has decided, despite Larkin's admission that he can't pay the municipal taxes due on the structure, to pursue a demolition order and leave responsibility with the current owner.

Perrault said the city is trying to keep up with a large number of abandoned lots, which explains the number of demolitions coming up at recent council meetings. He said the city is in the process of growing, and that the stagnant areas need to be cared for as well.

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Anne Danseau and Jacques Legault asked about green space promised for Winter Street location.

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dead as tens of thousands of survivors in the northern city of Gonaives and regions beyond are left completely destitute.

Hungry and homeless and virtually cut off from the rest of the world due to massive flooding and mudslides, the population of Gonaives desperately depends on the trickle of international aid which is bringing safe drinking water, food and medication, and help in cleaning up and rebuilding the disaster zone.

Faced with news reports of the human tragedy in Haiti, the Townships' community and local media have combined efforts in a one-day fundraising blitz to raise money for emergency relief.

Organizers of the Estrie blitz, which has the support of expatriate Haitians and cultural communities, say many Townshippers have already responded to various calls for help, but they wanted to provoke a regional groundswell of support and solidarity for the Haitian people.

On Thursday, the population of the region is invited to drop off cash donations in a variety of locations including all Caisse Populaires; Jean Coutu pharmacies in Sherbrooke, Magog, Coaticook, Asbestos and Lake Megantic; as well as Sherbrooke City Hall and an Oxfam kiosk at the Carrefour de l'Estrie.

At the same time, a variety of fundraising and awareness activities will take place in a number of local institutions including schools that are part of the Commission scolaire de la Région-de-Sherbrooke.

The city and local Chamber of Commerce are sending out appeals to all city employees and local businesses and Sherbrooke Mayor Jean Perrault has invited all local mayors and councillors to do something in their own communities.

"I believe everyone was touched by the images we have seen on television," said Perrault, adding that he is impressed with the determination of the Haitian people.

"We are spoiled," Perrault said, recalling the ice storm when Townshippers were temporarily cut off from their creature comforts.

Perrault said the recent disaster has left Haitian people with nothing. "In Haiti there are no public services. All there is mud."

Sherbrooke City Hall will be the centre of operations Thursday evening as the population is invited to come and witness the countdown. The money will be handed over to Oxfam-Quebec, which was in Gonaives distributing safe drinking water 24 hours after the storm.

Oxfam-Quebec president Nicole Martin, a resident of the Sherbrooke area, said she was touched by the response of fellow Townshippers to the human misery in Haiti.

"I'm really proud to see the efforts that are being deployed and the solidarity towards Haiti's disaster victims," she said,



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Mayor Jean Perrault has appealed to residents and other borough chiefs to support Thursday's fundraising efforts.

promising the campaign would make a difference.

Martin promised the funds raised in Sherbrooke would get to Haiti quickly and be used effectively. She noted the money is transferred to Oxfam workers in Haiti who purchase and deliver the supplies directly to Gonaives.

"It never leaves our hands," she said, adding that only 10 per cent of funds raised are used for administration. Martin also noted that Oxfam-Quebec has been in Haiti for 30 years and that after the emergency relief and reconstruction they will continue efforts at sustainable development in the Caribbean country.

Sherbrooke resident Jean Lefebvre, who spent the past two years in Haiti as a volunteer for Oxfam, said 95 per cent of the population of Haiti lives in abject poverty.

"The hurricane is a major catastrophe that will only increase the misery and poverty in an area already in a state of emergency," he said, noting that hapless Haitians have lost access to drinking water, to their homes, and to roads. "Everything is needed in Haiti."

Jeanne, which had not become a hurricane when it hit the north of Haiti, was nevertheless powerful enough to devastate that part of the island which is utterly deforested.

"When the rain falls, it really falls," Lefebvre said, noting there is no vegetation to stop the runoff. Only two per cent of Haiti is covered in trees.

Driven by survival instincts, impoverished Haitians have raided all of the forests to sell the wood and to make charcoal that is necessary to provide fuel for cooking, heating and lighting in a country where more than three quarters of the population does not have access to electricity.

Lefebvre also points out that Haiti has

little or no money and no government services.

"They cannot depend on their own government for help," he said, noting that the international community needs to lend a helping hand.

Oxfam Quebec spokesman Michel Verret said the first urgent need is safe water.

"Water is life," he said, noting that Oxfam has already delivered some 300,000 litres of water and engineers are working to set up a temporary filtering and distribution system. After that, they will work on rebuilding water wells.

Verret said once the relief and rebuilding efforts are completed, Oxfam will look at the long-term work of reforestation in Gonaives - work they are already doing in the southern region of Nippes.

But after years of political instability marked by military coups, civil strife and environmental disasters, the work of rebuilding Haiti is a work in progress where a few steps forwards are invariably followed by a few steps back.

As the cleanup efforts barely begin in Gonaives, insurgency has once again erupted in the capital of Port au Prince.

Last week, a trio of policemen were beheaded and dozens more were killed in machete attacks that have been blamed on supporters of ousted president Jean-Bertrand Aristide, who fled to South Africa in February and was replaced with a U.S.-backed transitional government led by Gérard Latortue. While most of the United Nation peacekeepers had been deployed to Gonaives, remaining troops attempted to quell the violence in the capital.

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Feds offer incentives for Asbestos area projects

By Stephen McDougall
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

In its continuing efforts to revitalize the sagging economy of the Asbestos area, the federal government announced it will grant or loan close to half a million dollars to help create more small companies and assist present companies to expand.

"We want people here to know we want to help them and that we have confidence in them," said Economic Development minister Jacques Saada at a public announcement last Friday.

"But only the local people in this rural area can solve their economic problems. All we can do is lend a hand."

In total, five grants and one business loan worth \$4790,594 are being doled out by Saada's office, with the promise of creating 21 jobs and a similar number of businesses within one year. Four of the five grants are being sent to the local branch of the federal government's Community Futures Development Corporation (CFDC or SADC in French) to hire a business advisor, a developer and retask present staff to help guide local businesses and encourage would-be entrepreneurs to start a company. Those grants are worth \$346,830.

A fifth grant, worth \$95,964, will create three jobs for local residents in the 18 to 35 age bracket and encourage them and others to remain in the area rather than seek jobs in larger cities.

Completing the aid package is a loan to the Geoffroy Sawmill in Danville valued at \$36,800 to help the company increase productivity, hire five more workers and keep five other employees from being laid off.

Saada said the aid package is the first in the series of grants and loans destined for the Asbestos MRC area, which includes the towns of Danville, Wotton, St. Adrien de Ham and St. Camille.

"The federal government has put aside a total of \$3.3 million for this area over the next two years," said Saada.

"This money is the first installment of that fund. We believe it will help generate investment, revitalize the MRC and allow more people to stay here."

But Saada later admitted to reporters that keeping people in rural areas is an uphill battle because larger, urban centers all over the world are constantly attracting younger workers away from their small towns with better job opportunities.

"It is a global problem and the only way to convince people not to move away is to create opportunities for them here. But this will only work if people in rural areas work together, and not in competition with each



STEPHEN MCDUGALL/SPECIAL

Federal economic development minister Jacques Saada announced grants to help revitalize Asbestos area.

other, to make these opportunities a reality."

But when asked about more long-term strategies for rural promotion, such as extended risk-capital financing, larger tax breaks for rural companies or sponsorship programs by larger corporations, Saada had no answer.

"The best we can do is show the private sector that we have confidence in this area and its people," he said.

"The plan is to get small businesses here to find better markets for their products and services so they can expand and hire more people."

But the federal MP for the area, André Bellevance of the opposition party Bloc Québécois, argued these grants and loans are nothing more than a band-aid solution for an area hit hard by business failures and mill and mine shutdowns.

"They don't

have a strategy for anything past one or two years," he said.

"Spend a little money and hire a few people on a short-term contract, then let them hope more money will come to renew the contract for another year.

"All that creates is a culture of dependence on government money and the party in power for residents here."

Bellevance, who was not invited to the grant presentation but came anyway, argued not all of the promised money will be spent in the Asbestos area because of the large bureaucracy still plaguing the federal government.

"A certain chunk of that money will be spent in Ottawa by bureaucrats who have to micro manage the programs, so money promised to our area will always come up short and future requests for funding will have to be made."

Bellevance said the federal government has made no effort to change banking policies that would encourage more long-term risk capital financing of small businesses in rural areas. Instead, he said the banks have been allowed to limit credit, gouge customers with numerous fees and proclaim huge profits at the end of their fiscal years.

"It has been the small credit unions like the Caisses Populaires that have shown more confidence in their area's businesses and companies," he said.

"The big banks keep closing branches and limiting credit in order to maximize their profits. They don't care about rural people with their smaller incomes.

"The big money and the majority of votes are in the cities."

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Paperwork and biology in dead heat

DEAR EDITOR,

If you were born in Ontario and need a birth certificate for a passport, you should allow lots of time for processing. Premier McGuinty, it seems, has cut corners in diverse areas.

The Canadian government now requires that applications for passport renewal must be accompanied by a 'certified' copy of our birth certificate. Other versions such as the plasticized wallet-sized models are not acceptable.

Even though my passport did not expire for a few years, last October I decided to obtain the appropriate birth certificate well in advance. I filled out the form taken from the Internet and mailed it with a copy of my existing birth certificate to the Office of the Registrar General in Thunder Bay Ontario.

The months went by and I received no birth certificate nor any acknowledgement of my application.

Finally in February, five months later, I tried to contact the Thunder Bay office by telephone. Since I could not get through, I faxed a duplicate set of documents to Thunder Bay expressing some dismay at the delayed response.

At the end of April (seven months from the start) I still had not received any word or document from Thunder Bay but there was a sign of movement - my credit card had been charged

with \$35 on March 13. Despite this, I sent another fax with a request to speed things up.

A few days later (beginning of May) I found the Web site of the office of the Ontario Ombudsman and registered a complaint. A month later (but only after I had sent a follow-up), I received a phone call notifying me that they had assigned my file to an investigator. (Apparently I was not the only one experiencing this problem.) Not long after (in June), I finally received my birth certificate. It had taken nine months - another miracle of modern reproduction technology!

But I was not yet out of the woods. From the credit card statement, I found that in the middle of May, the Registrar's office had charged me with a second \$35. Again the Ombudsman's office came to my rescue and a credit was issued.

Then I found that one week after I was given the credit for the second charge, the Registrar had hit me with a third charge of \$35. Back to the Ombudsman. By this time my file seemed to have exhausted the first investigator and I was assigned a different one. After some checking she called me to say a refund cheque had been issued which I would receive in six to eight weeks. I received it in just over 6 weeks.

At the time of this writing, I have not uncovered any evidence that I have been assigned a regular monthly billing for \$35 by the Registrar's office. This is good news.

PETER WADE
Brome Lake



Show us the money

Six months after the announcement cabinet ministers would post their travel and hospitality expenses on the Internet - in order to make government business more transparent - several senior ministers, including the prime minister, have not released much information.

The only expense claim Paul Martin has filed this year with the Privy Council Office, is one of \$420.39 last Feb. 16 for a "commercial flight from Quebec City to Montreal, due to mechanical problems with the Challenger," the aircraft normally used by members of the cabinet.

Ministers such as Liberal House Leader Tony Valeri, Privy Council President Lucienne Robillard, Deputy House Leader Mauril Belanger or Senator Jacob Austin have personally not filed expenses since before the June election.

"If there's no information on our Web site for these ministers, it's because they have not filed any expense claims with the Privy Council Office," said PCO spokesman Francois Jubinville.

"Now, this is not to mean that they have not had expenses, but they have not thought to get these expenses reimbursed by the Privy Council Office."

According to guidelines that came into effect April 1, "all travel and hospitality expenses for ministers, ministers of state, parliamentary secretaries and their exempt staff will be provided on institutional web sites."

The deadline to post such information for the period between June 2 and Sept. 1 was last week, a Treasury Board spokeswoman said Monday, though she added ministers would not be punished for failing to publish expenses in time.

"There are no sanctions whatsoever," said Suzanne Meunier.

Yves Lemire, chief of staff to the Privy Council president, said when Robillard was industry minister between December and June, she claimed hospitality expenses

on Industry Canada's Web site.

In the role Robillard has taken since the election, the staff person in charge of a given event has submitted the expense claim under his or her name.

"From July 2 there was not a lot of activity running around," Lemire added.

"We were waiting for the appointment of the cabinet on July 20 and after that it was the vacation period."

In the latest filing period, Valeri only incurred expenses at the recent cabinet retreat in British Columbia, a spokesman said. "That's still being processed I understand," he said.

"(Valeri) just submitted the expenses for it. It should be up any time."

Among ministers who filed information for the latest three-month period, Treasury Board President Reg Alcock rang up \$3,544.82 in travel expenses for meetings and his swearing-in ceremony.

Deputy Prime Minister Anne McLellan filed a travel expense claim of \$2,604.50 after she delivered the keynote address to the Canadian Professional Police Association annual general meeting in St. John, N.B. last August.

Foreign Affairs Minister Pierre Pettigrew submitted travel claims for \$5,998.87, based on trips to Mexico and Washington in August.

The Prime Minister's Office referred questions about Martin's expenses to the PCO. "Obviously the prime minister has not filed any expense claims for the Privy Council Office other than this one flight," said Jubinville, of Martin's trip between Quebec City and Montreal.

The departments of Foreign Affairs and Defence normally handle transportation expenses for the prime minister, Jubinville added. Did Martin pay for the impromptu commercial flight last February with his credit card, which would have resulted in the filing of an expense claim?

"Presumably," Jubinville said.

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Perspectives

Government contracts and political contributions

Being a former prosecutor made it easy for me to surmise why former Montreal Canadians general manager Irving Grundman and fellow city councillor René Dussault pleaded guilty to the charge of accepting a bribe to change a city zoning bylaw. One thing I learned is that whenever the evidence in a criminal case consists of incriminating police wiretaps coupled with the testimony of an undercover cop, the chances of raising a reasonable doubt are practically nonexistent.

When I discovered from the media reports that the two men were captured on the wiretaps discussing how the \$75,000 bribe was slated for their political party, it all sounded highly familiar. The sentence that really struck me was when Grundman said to Dussault in April 2002 "...I'm not doing this for myself, I'm doing it for my party," "I'm sure you have been around and know how much every political party needs money to function."

I had heard this same explanation on repeated occasions when I was assigned in the mid 70s to Project Z at the now defunct Commission of Inquiry into Organized Crime. For months, we investigated allegations involving distilleries and spirits and wine importers liquor companies which were required to contribute a percentage of their sales to the party coffers of whatever government was in power, in order to obtain and keep their listings at the old Régie de Liqueur du Quebec. Up until the mid 60s, the practice seemed so systemic and integrated in our political culture

that very few people considered it to be illegal. Unless a payment ended up in the pocket of an official or that of a family member, there was little risk of an investigation.

Having to pay a party bagman in order to secure government business was considered little more than a refined version of patronage. To cover the costs of their contributions some companies were alleged to have either inflated the costs of their contracts or increased the price of their goods to the consumers.

Prior to the 70s, when there were no provincial legislation aimed at regulating the election revenues and expenses of political parties and their candidates, the abuses were rampant. On both sides of the border, it was not unknown for large sums of money to be funneled to the parties in power in order to procure government contracts, favors or positions of authority.

The only difference with traditional organized crime was that when wealthy criminals contributed to political campaigns, it had more to do with securing protection from police investigations than obtaining government business.

If anything, allegations of compulsory campaign contributions to obtain government contracts are really nothing new. While they have diminished over the decades and for good reasons, I can't think of a single regime during my lifetime that hasn't been sullied



HENRY R. KEYSERLINGK

with varying degrees of suspicion, innuendoes, allegations and scandals.

Only time will tell whether the investigations by the RCMP coupled with the public inquiry into the federal sponsorship scandal will reveal the essential quid pro quo arrangement between the lucrative advertising contracts to party supporters and their political contributions.

While political corruption is generally defined as the improper use of public office for private gain it doesn't follow that the bribe must always end up in the official's pocket. The bribing of politicians with strings-attached election-funds can be just as effective. The same can be said of public or party officials who demand campaign contributions before agreeing to hand over government business.

What makes the practice illegal in Canada is our Criminal Code as well as our laws governing the financing of political parties. Under the headings of "Frauds on the Government" the Criminal Code expressly prohibits any official from demanding ... from any person for himself or another person, a benefit of any kind as consideration for the ...exercise of influence in connection with government business. Intermediaries, facilitators and accessories are also subject to prosecution.

Hence, the mere request for a political contribution by a government official as an essential condition to procure a government contract would meet all

of the required legal elements.

The Criminal Code offence of breach of trust by a public officer also makes it a crime to use one's public office for personal ends. Urging a contractor to make a political contribution for the purpose of securing government business would be covered even if the official only hoped to earn a promotion or to please a cabinet minister.

Despite the apparent simplicity of these crimes, it is not easy to build a strong case. As with all types of corruption it takes two parties to be corrupt: the bribe giver and the bribe taker. Understandably, the participants on both sides are not normally inclined to cooperate with investigators. Insiders who are familiar with such practices are usually as tight lipped as members of any organized crime family.

While it may be relatively easy to follow the money trail, the major challenge is proving that the person who secured a government contract, favor or appointment, succeeded only because of the agreement and undertaking to contribute to the party's coffers.

Finally, as a word of precaution, regarding the wiretapped conversation between Irving Grundman and Dussault about how the \$75,000 bribe was to be slated for their party coffers, I have not heard of any other independent evidence that corroborates their position. Furthermore, according to the media reports, Grundman's allegations have been vehemently denied by Mayor Gérald Tremblay.

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Say you read it in The Record

ARRRGH, MATEY, SET SAIL FOR FAR TORTUGA! Police arrested a naked man on top of a building in South Dunedin, New Zealand, after he had apparently ingested hallucinogenic drugs.

He told the cops that he was a pirate as he looked through his "telescope," which was actually a rolled-up newspaper.

MY NITWIT IN SHINING ARMOR: Two men in ski masks burst into a terrified woman's home in Edmond, Okla., and tied her up in the bathroom. But her husband arrived in a nick of time and attacked them with a two-by-four, causing them flee.

However, under questioning by police, the husband admitted he hired the men to stage the break-in so he could come to the rescue and convince his wife he was a hero.

**MIKE PINGREE'S
THROUGH THE
LOOKING GLASS**



SO, WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THESE? A gang of bandits at Oktoberfest in Munich has been robbing drunken patrons by using a busty female accomplice who flashes her breasts as a distraction while they move in to steal the men's wallets.

Police have warned men to beware of voluptuous women who show them their breasts.

SNIFF! THE PAUSE THAT REFRESHES: In lieu of coffee breaks, workers at a Louisiana spice plant were going down to a utility room periodically to snort cocaine.

HEY, WHY'D YOU STOP SINGING? Ten robbers, being held in the police station in Machakos, Kenya, entertained the officers by singing hymns and chanting prayers in their cell.

Turns out, they were just trying to mask the sound as they sawed through the bars of the window to make their escape.

RELAX AND LET'S HAVE A LOOK: A man posing as a doctor took out an ad in an alternative weekly newspaper offering free gynecological services to unsuspecting women in Dallas. The female detective who pretended to be a patient and arrested him, said he had set up shop in a self-storage business.

The "doctor" also wore a white medical scrub shirt, and had a stethoscope around his neck to make it look legit.

OF COURSE WE'RE SHOWING UP: Eight teachers at a high school in India did not come to work for 23 years, but were paid anyway.

The truant teachers simply called the principal, who lives about 25 miles away, every month to ask him to authorize their salary: "He never disappoints us," one said.

A spot inspection revealed the scam.

SHE CALLS THEM 'CONSULTATIONS': A woman graduated from the prestigious Stanford Law School, but "hated the prospect of being a lawyer for the next 20 years" to pay off \$300,000 in student loans. So she became a prostitute.

She paid it off very quickly by charging big bucks for her services: \$1,300 for two hours, \$5,000 for overnight and \$15,000 for three days. She has been arrested.

Third annual Lamb and Wool Fest is baaaack

An extra day makes three days of festivities instead of two

By Brion Robinson

This year the annual Lamb and Wool Festival is expanding its festivities to make room for more lamb dinners, guided visits of the woollen mill and conferences and workshops.

The festival will take place Thanksgiving weekend from Oct. 9 to the 11.

Each of the three days features a hot lamb dinner that will be served at the historic Ulveton Woollen Mill.

The theme of this year's dinner is, 'produced locally with an international taste'.

The dinner includes five lamb dishes from around the world including Greece, Italy and North Africa.

After the supper has been served, people will be able to take the recipes for each dish home with them.

Organizers believe that serving international lamb dishes and handing out recipes gives people a better idea of how the meat can be prepared.

"When I try a sample, I might buy the food in the grocery store," said Julie Miller the coordinator for the festival and lamb herder. "By serving dishes, people can eat what they like and even take home the recipe."

There are many cuts of lamb that aren't expensive but people have to know how to cook it."

Although the lamb dinners are central to the festival, an extra day devotes more time to the other activities that focus on meeting with farmers and learning more about sheep production.

Local farmers from around the Townships will be on hand to answer questions and talk about their profession.

In addition, starting Oct. 6 six local restaurants will be featuring lamb on



BRION ROBINSON

Eric Bourgault and friends are eager to welcome folks to the annual lamb and wool festival.

their menus. They include La Maison Berbère, Auberge aux Toits Rouges, Restaurant Shalimar, Les Toits Bleus, L'Ithildin and La Desserte.

Miller said that festivals like this one reflect changes in the produce industry and new attitudes about food and where it comes from.

"The link between the farm and the city is broken," Miller said. "These days people don't have as many friends and family who farm, but they have more questions about food."

Miller added that she has been asked about the amount of cholesterol in lamb meat and even what she feeds her animals.

Miller said that her lambs are slaughtered before they turn six months to give the meat a more desirable taste and texture.

"Producers will be here if people

want to ask questions," she added.

Miller believes that bringing producers and consumers together gives people a better understanding of what they're buying and how it is produced.

When she moved here ten years ago from Montreal, Miller said she knew nothing about farming.

She said that she hadn't even been to the country for a holiday before moving here with her husband.

They both moved to the country where Miller said she discovered the joys of growing and working in the

fields.

Although she enjoys her life away from the city, Miller admits that living in the country has its share of challenges, like isolation and the responsibility of raising animals.

"You can't just go away when the sheep need to be fed or drive off along the country roads in the winter," she explained. "Working on a farm is demanding."

Since she began raising sheep, Miller said that sheep production has really increased.

She gives credit to marketing and a demand for local products.

"Not just interest, but demand is rising for lamb," Miller explained. "Farmers are finding more markets to sell lamb and locals want to taste what's coming from their farms."

Although the demand for local lamb is rising, Miller admits that the produce business is a fragile one and that events from anywhere in the world can determine the success of her business.

"I've witnessed first hand the whole dynamic of food supply in a culture," she explained. "It's important that we understand international regulations. Sometimes the global market can be very stressful on us."

Despite the sensitivity of the industry, producers are confident that consumers who know more about their profession are the ones who would take a rack of lamb over a cut of steak.

For further information about the Lamb and Wool Festival please call Julie Miller at (819) 826-5427 or write her at jmiller@abacom.com.



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Festival coordinator Julie Miller and Eric Bourgault, director general of the Ulveton mill want to create a better understanding of how products get to the table.



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The Ulveton mill is a spectacular sight and reminiscent of bygone days.

Granby's Big John and the tavern toughs

By G. Campbell McDonald

In 1895, my grandfather John Bernard McDonald was named chief of police of Granby. He was 42, married ten years to Julia Ann Barry and father of three small sons, the eldest of whom was my father.

With his strapping build and deliberate ways, Grandpa was every inch the popular image of an Irish immigrant policeman, though, paradoxically, he never set foot on Irish soil. Nevertheless his direct Irish lineage was as authentic as it was unusual, being conceived in County Cork in 1852, sailing as a stowaway in his mother's womb across the Atlantic, and emerging to be born in Reading, Pennsylvania in 1853. Thence he came to the Eastern Townships as a babe in arms.

In Grandpa's official portrait as chief of police, he stands tall at six-foot-plus, with more than 200 pounds packed into his new dark-blue uniform with brass buttons. He looks alert but relaxed and confident. His hands are unclenched, hanging straight down by his sides, offering no foretaste of his potent fists-on-call.

A front-page item in The Record a month ago set me thinking about Grandpa's unsophisticated resources in maintaining law and order in the rough and reckless environs at his doorstep. The headline said, "Granby cops pepper spray man waving knife." For Chief McDonald, no push-button aerosol weapons existed, no knife-blunting or bullet-proof vests, no Taser stun-guns.

His A-to-Z inventory of peacekeeping resources consisted of a black leather billy club, a pair of handcuffs and his bare knuckles.

Unfortunately, his job was fatally flawed by the perverse geography of Granby's main street. The biggest tavern in town rocked and roared next door to the police station. Often, when the level of liquid courage reached critical mass, a jeering band of ne'er-do-wells would surge from the barroom in a rush-and-tumble across the town hall's laneway. A ribald chorus of curses and catcalls would dare "Big John" to come out and do battle with their ring leader.

Slow to anger, Grandpa always took his time rising to the bait, according to the stories I heard from my father. But when his dignity was sufficiently provoked by the loud abuse, he stripped off his jacket, rolled up his sleeves and went down the town hall stairs to face his tormentors. With three excited little boys and their prayerful mother watching from the front porch, "Big John" planted himself squarely in front of the lead agitator and warned him, first in English and then in French, to get off the property and take his gang with him. This brought a roar of disdain from the happy-hour crowd and the two men put up their fists.

Grandpa fended off the first flurry of blows. He was looking for an opening to throw a straight right to the solar plexus with all his weight behind it. If it came, the fight would be over and his opponent would

never, ever want a return match. Otherwise, the moment of truth would come the first time the attacker uncorked a wild roundhouse swing at Grandpa's jaw, missed and lurched forward. Before he could recover his balance, he was seized in a mighty bear hug, arms pinned to his sides, thrown face down onto the lawn, straddled and handcuffed. Game over. "Big John" 1; Villain 0. Crowd dispersed, bemoaning their disappointment. The vanquished wretch would rejoin them to drown their sorrows on the morrow after a night spent in the hoosegow.

Only once did Grandpa face defeat in his ten years as chief. A stranger came into the tavern one day and announced the drinks were on him for all Grandpa's failed assailants who were willing to share their experiences in a roundtable strategy session. Briefed on Grandpa's straight-right and seize-slam-and-cuff tactics, he called for another round, this time for everyone, and paid with a flourish from a fat roll of bills. Then he scraped back his chair and led a baying pack of inebriates across the lawn to the town hall.

The customary battle was soon joined, but with two fateful differences: the stranger was not only ready to counter Grandpa's ploys, he was stone-cold sober. After several exchanges of solid blows, Grandpa realized he was in trouble. The fel-

low was giving as good as he got. Unless Grandpa could land a haymaker or grab the man, he was in for a public whipping.

Watching from her kitchen window, my grandmother was nervously approaching the same conclusion. She noted with alarm the usual cut-off time for these macho exhibitions had come and gone. She stopped ironing and gave her full attention to the ominous scene below. Grandpa, to the hysterical delight of the surging rabble, was gradually giving ground.

Grabbing up her skirts and forbidding the children to follow, Julia Ann Barry swept down the front stairs and onto the field of battle. One well-timed clout to the challenger's skull with her flatiron sent him reeling to the turf, his knees turned to jelly. Grandpa dropped on him and snapped on the cuffs. A technical knockout by miraculous intervention. McDonald Tag Team 2; Villain 0. The abruptly stilled crowd ebbed sullenly back to the tavern, unrequited.

When John McDonald, still fit and undefeated at 52, retired as Granby's chief of police in 1905, he and my grandmother and their six sons moved to a quieter neighbourhood.

Campbell McDonald is a Toronto writer who got his start in journalism on his hometown weekly newspaper, The Granby Leader-Mail, in 1934.



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Groups raise concerns on future of CEGEP system

By Leah Fitzgerald
SHERBROOKE

CEGEPs across Quebec held forums Tuesday, World Teachers' Day, to discuss the possible consequences of the decentralization of the CEGEP system, and to ask Education Minister Pierre Reid to state his position.

The four unions representing teachers, support staff, professional staff and students of the Collège de Sherbrooke spoke against changing the CEGEP system, which they say has proven time and again that it works as is.

A forum on the collegial system was held in June. Discussions surrounded the possibility of making the CEGEPs, currently government funded with no tuition fees for students, separate bodies that do not have provincial standards for programs, or provincial collective agreements for teachers, support and other staff.

Catherine Ladouceur, president of the teacher's union at the Collège de Sherbrooke, said teachers have several concerns.

"If CEGEPs have to fight for funding, and they have to offer bigger and better programs to draw students, the students will be the ones to suffer," she said. "It will diminish the working conditions for



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André Rancourt, president of Syndicat du personnel de soutien du Collège de Sherbrooke, Jean Lacharité, president of Conseil syndicale nationale de l'Estrie, Catherine Ladouceur, president of Syndicat du personnel enseignant du Collège de Sherbrooke.

teachers, and put all that the network has stood for in jeopardy."

Ladouceur said the teachers' union has five major concerns: non-standardized diploma programs, privatization and decentralization, the introduction of tuition fees, impact on rural regions of the province and the devaluation of a general education. All the concerns lead to one thing: the more rural CEGEPs fighting a losing battle against urban CEGEPs with guaranteed populations and plenty of

wealthy students.

By offering their own specialized programs, Ladouceur said, CEGEPs will fight for students, who might otherwise stay at the local CEGEP.

Student Emile Robidas said the students are already not getting enough access to bursary programs, with students being penalized for parental contributions and part-time jobs.

Robidas said forcing students to choose where to spend tuition fees might just

force them straight to the workforce, preventing access to higher education for lower-income students.

André Rancourt of the support staff union at the college said that his colleagues are often the first victims of budget cuts at the university, and that the government should think of the future work force.

"The students will only see that there is no place for these kinds of workers," Rancourt said.

Gilles Bernier of the professional staff union said changes to the CEGEP system will mean cuts to his colleagues — secretaries, registrars, and councillors.

"We help students get through the college system," he said. "How can they improve results if the students' support system is missing?"

The forum on the CEGEP system discussed ways of improving the system to make it more economical while improving students' results. One of the discussed options was completely dismantling the CEGEP system and sending students from high school straight to university or other post-secondary training programs. The ministry of education is currently seeking projects from CEGEPs and high schools on better transitions for students from secondary to post-secondary learning.

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Science and nature museum granted \$300,000

Funds will help century-old museum to continue activities

Staff
SHERBROOKE

Sherbrooke's nature and science museum has received a \$300,000 grant from the provincial govern-

ment to help maintain its activities that were drastically reduced over the winter season.

"With this additional help, we hope to be able to restart activities and to find sustainable solutions that will allow the museum to overcome its financial difficulties," said Culture and Communication Minister Line

Beauchamp in a press release Tuesday. The minister noted le Musée de la nature et des sciences has been part of the cultural landscape of the Townships for more than 100 years.

Once located in the Séminaire de Sherbrooke across the street, the museum relocated from its more modest premises to a wing of the upscale Kayser Mill development on Frontenac Street.

The move was made possible by a \$3.5 million investment from the provincial government and public donations of some \$350,000, but since then the museum has been plagued by cost overruns and financial shortfalls.

Last May, the museum presented a recovery plan to the Quebec gov-

ernment after which it received \$150,000 in emergency aid from the provincial government to continue operating the museum during the summer.

But recently, the Sherbrooke museum was forced to once again reduce its hours, limit access for school trips to Wednesdays Thursdays and Fridays between now and March. It also announced probable layoffs.

The government came to the rescue again this week with some \$300,000 more to help the museum pursue its activities. The help is over and above the museums operating grant of some \$200,000 for the current year.

The new aid package includes a first payment of \$200,000. Another \$100,000 will follow after a plan to raise another \$200,000 from various partners and private sources.

According to the press release from the culture and communications ministry, the new grant should allow the museum to consolidate its finances and hire an expert to come up with a medium and long term development plan to keep the museum afloat.

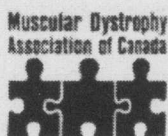
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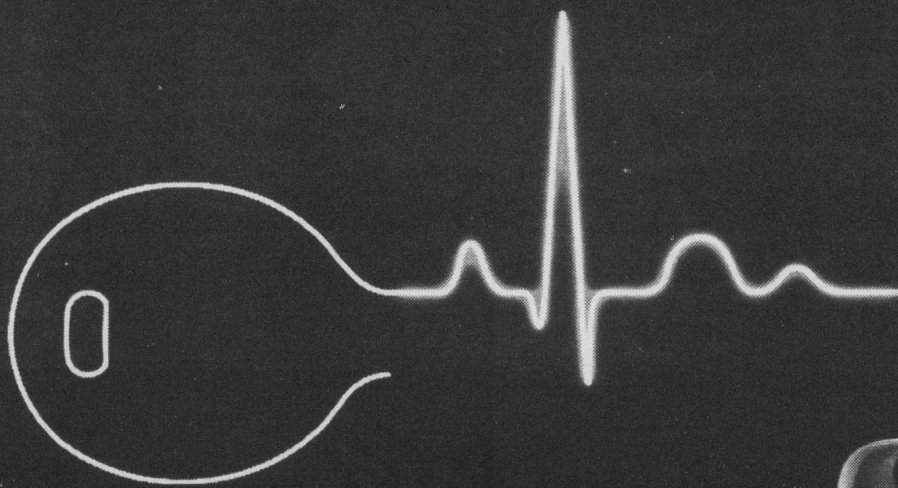
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Danville 'twins' agree to expand activities

By Stephen McDougall
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD
DANVILLE

The second annual Autumn on the Green fair in Danville, Vermont saw a much sunnier, milder day than last year and a much greater welcome for some 35 of their Quebec cousins who came down to spend the day with them on a "Twinning" visit.

And among the tables, tents and kiosks full of arts, crafts, baked goods and maple syrup, there was a growing willingness to make exchanges with groups and organizations in their namesake up north.

"I travel to many places to exhibit and sell my ski hats and sweaters," said Martha Becker at her Elephant's Ear kiosk.

"A two-hour drive to Danville, Quebec would be a new adventure for me. I would love to go there if they have an arts and crafts event."

Ann Somers, a maker of wooden lamps and trunks in West Danville, would also consider a trip north if there was an interest in seeing Vermont craft work.

"If there are people who want to see and buy new crafts, maybe we could consider a visit," she said.

For Ken and Cheryl Munding, any trip to a new place is a risk worth taking to sell their wooden trunks and decorative pieces.

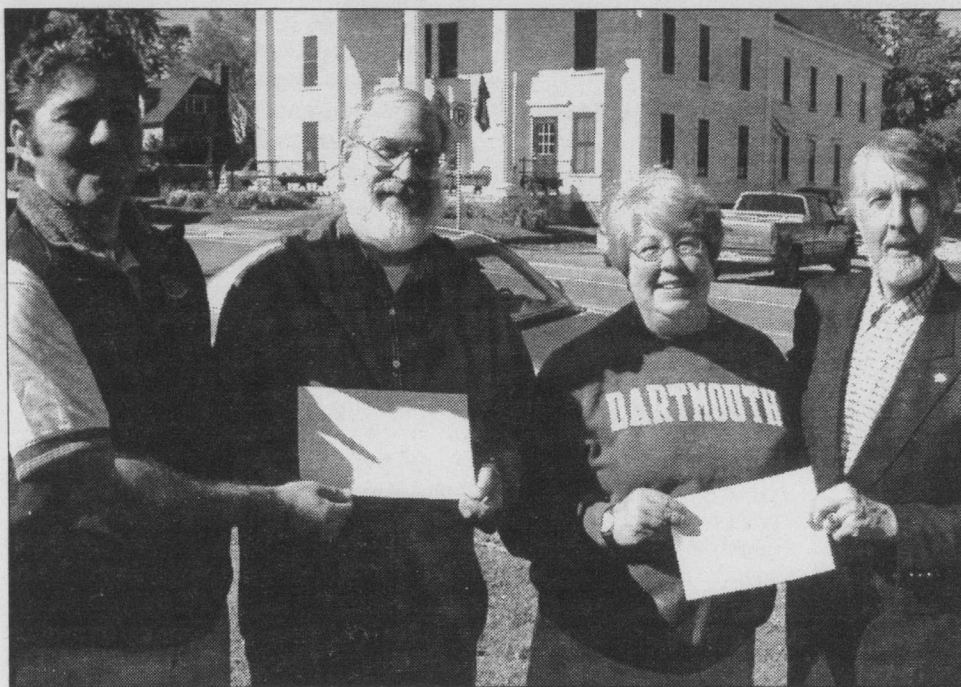
"We have gone to some sales and found it was a bust at the end of the day," said Ken.

"I would love to try Danville, Quebec and see how it works out."

The interest in coming north was not just reserved for artisans. Other groups such as the local cub scouts, the historical society and some churches also lent an ear when their namesake from Quebec was mentioned.

"We did a pen pal exchange with Danville, England last year, so it would be great to have one with Danville, Quebec," said Cub scout leader David Towle.

"We have about 25 cubs aged six to 11 who would find it fantastic to commu-



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Danville Vt. artist Jeff Gold and Autumn on the Green organizer Cheryl Linsley are made honourable members of the Danville Que. Street Art Symposium board by MRC tourism officer Marc Cantin (left) and Symposium treasurer Pierre Grimard (right).

nicate with people their age in Quebec."

Historical Society member Margaret Springer said a project about the historical relationship between the two towns could work but would require a lot of research.

"It would require funding and researchers, but it is a good idea if we can work on it together."

Both Rev. James Llewellyn of the Danville Congregational Church and Rev. Henry Cheney of the Danville Methodist Church said they would welcome some correspondence with their Danville, Quebec equivalent, the Trinity United church and its minister Rev. Reginald Jennings.

"I know where your church is because I have been up that way," said Rev. Cheney. "But I have yet to meet your minister. Such a meeting would be very welcomed."

Dr. Melvin Somers, husband of Ann Somers, remembers when his Masonic Lodge held initiation ceremonies joint-

ly with the Masonic lodge in Danville, Quebec in the 1960s.

"We held the initiation rite for one of the Danville, Quebec members down here and one our new members was initiated up there," he said.

"It would be worth asking if any of the lodge members now would like to do that again."

The spirit of twinings exchange even came over Steve Hingtgen, who is running for Lt. Gov. of Vermont.

"We want more relations with our

Quebec neighbours, and having a twinings between the two Danvilles is a good start," he said while campaigning at the fair.

"Both towns, just like Quebec and Vermont, have a cultural richness than can be shared.

"Many of the older generations here understand the link between the two towns, but the younger generations don't. Maybe this is the time to remind them and even find out more about the heritage they share."

Hengtgen said the present Lt. Gov. is more concerned with economic trade between Quebec and Vermont.

"Trade just means money and business," he said.

"But when we exchange our heritage and understand each other's needs, then the relationship is stronger and more lasting."

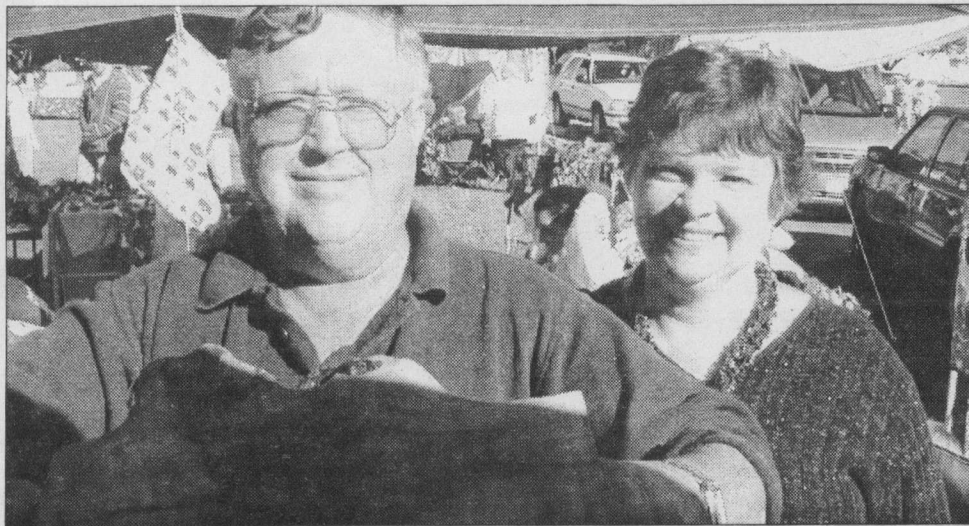
Hengtgen vowed that if elected, he would make cultural and social exchanges between twinned municipalities and between Quebec and Vermont a priority.

For the visitors to the fair, the warmth of the sunny day matched the warmth of the welcome.

"People who go down for the fair know they will get a great welcome," said Pierre Grimard, one of the organizers of the trip.

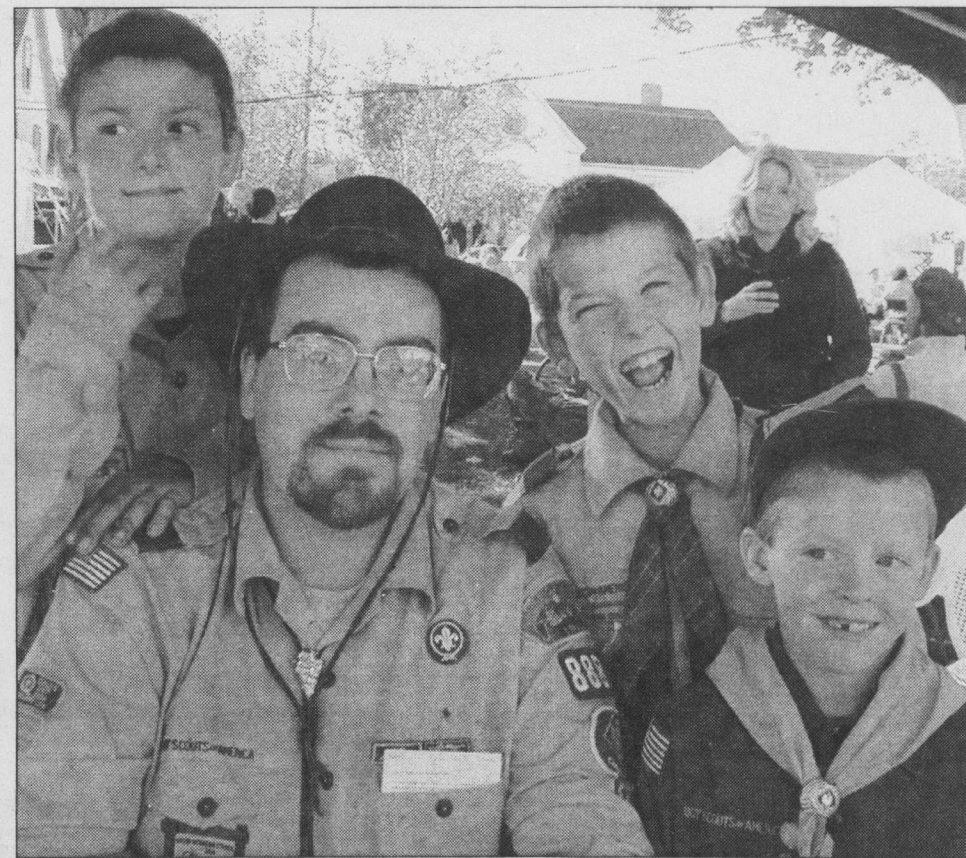
"They put on a great reception for us at one of the homes near the Green park, and they want to shake your hand when you tell them where you are from.

"They even put up a Canada and two Quebec flags for us next to their American flags up on the park Gazebo."



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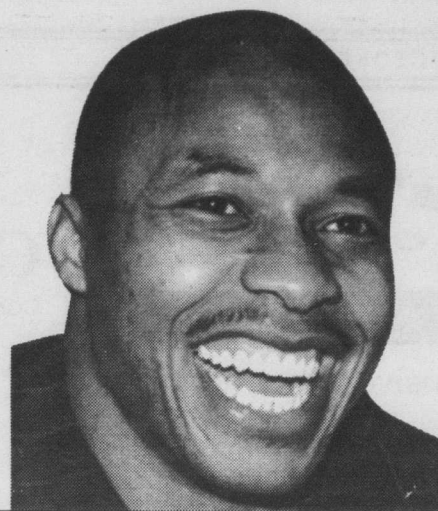
Woodwork and trunk makers Ken and Cheryl Munding are ready to come to Danville, Quebec to sell their wares.



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Cub scout leader David Towle is surrounded by cub sons Andy Towle, Ben Towle (standing behind their father) and fellow cub Grady Peterson.

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Galt, Richmond, BCS capture Nancy Brown titles

By Mike Hickey
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

For 28 years the Nancy Brown Invitational Soccer tournament has been a showcase for competitive high school soccer and the 2004 edition was no different as all three championship games were decided by shootouts.

Alexander Galt edged Massey-Vanier 1-0 in the bantam boys final. Galt's Erika Porter was selected as the Most Valuable Player.

Galt advanced to the title game by defeating Bishop's College School 2-1 and by recording 1-0 victories over both Stanstead College and Richmond High School. Massey-Vanier knocked over Richmond 2-0 and then edged the Pipers 1-0. In other round robin action the Pipers blanked Stanstead 1-0 and upended BCS 3-0.

Richmond defeated BCS 1-0 in the final of the junior division. Despite the loss, BCS' Claudia Codere was selected as the division's Most Valuable Player.

The key to the Richmond championship was its stellar defensive play — the Raiders didn't allow a goal in three games. The Raiders blanked Galt 2-0 and then shutout Stanstead 1-0. BCS reached the finals by virtue of a 3-2 win over Galt and a 2-0 victory over Massey-Vanier. In other junior action, Stanstead outlasted Massey-Vanier 1-0.

Galt downed Prince Edward Island's West Isle 1-0 behind the Most Valuable Player performance of Samantha Halfyard. The Pipers downed Stanstead 2-0 and Richmond 1-0 in preliminary action while PEI upended Stanstead by a 2-0 score and also beat Massey-Vanier 1-0. The Vikings did manage to beat Richmond 2-0.

Massey-Vanier senior girls had previously beaten Galt 1-0 in overtime in the consolation final of the Massey-Vanier tournament. Centennial, who defeated Galt 4-2 in the first round, downed PEI's West Isle 1-0 in the finals.

MASSEY-VANIER INVITATIONAL

In other soccer action, Daniel Porter scored both goals as the Galt senior boys defeated Heritage High School 2-1 in the finals of the Massey-Vanier Invitational tournament. Charles Benoit's goal was the difference in the semi-finals as Galt edged Centennial High School 1-0.

Trevor Digby scored with just one

minute remaining in regulation time as the Galt senior boys team rallied to tie Stanstead College 1-1. Jes Kim accounted for the Spartans' scoring with a goal in the first half.

In other senior boys action, BCS shutout Massey-Vanier 3-0.

Vanessa Parent scored the lone goal and Cynthia Reynolds recorded the shutout as the Vikings senior girls edged BCS 1-0. The Galt senior girls beat Richmond 5-1 as Samantha Halfyard paced the Pipers attack with a pair of goals.

Matt Lefebvre and Derek Spratt scored 2 goals apiece and David Hickman added a single tally as the Massey-Vanier junior boys outlasted BCS 5-4.

An intra-school game between the Galt Pipers bantam and Galt bantam squad ended in a 0-0 deadlock.

Vanessa Brault and Tessa Hebert tallied three goals apiece while Ashley Hadlock contributed a pair of goals and Brooke Jones added a single as the Massey-Vanier bantam girls downed BCS 9-0 and then played Stanstead to a 0-0 draw.

The Massey-Vanier bantam boys dropped a 1-0 decision to BCS and then lost 2-1 to Stanstead. Casey Enright scored the Vikings' goal against Stanstead.

FOOTBALL

The Stanstead and Chateauguy Valley Regional football teams appear headed for a showdown in Eastern Townships Interscholastic Conference play after the two schools remained undefeated in league play. The CVR Raiders recorded their second consecutive win over the Galt Pipers, this time by a 26-0 score.

The Spartans kept pace with CVR as they recorded their second consecutive win over BCS. The two undefeated teams will meet this week.

BCS and Galt football and soccer teams will participate in the annual Headmaster Games this afternoon on the campuses of the two Lennoxville schools.

GOLF

In the Richelieu Zone girls golf tournament, Massey-Vanier's Marie-Louise Cote shot a 82 and finished second overall while Frederic Cote fired a 78 and place fourth overall in the boys category. Both have qualified for the provincials to be held in Bromont on Oct. 8.



RECORD FILE PHOTO

The action at this year's Nancy Brown soccer tournament was as intense as ever.

Now pitching for Drummondville: Sal Maglie

By Bill Young
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

Fifty-five years ago this month, Sal Maglie took to the mound under the lights at Drummondville's Piste de Course ballpark and delivered one of the most memorable moments ever in that city's baseball history.

The Drummondville Cubs, the class of the Quebec Provincial League, were hosting the resilient Farnham Black Sox in Game 9, the last game, of the league finals. Knowing that the fate of their entire season was riding on the outcome of one game, more than 3,500 Drummondville fans braved the evening chill and huddled together within the massive grandstand. The

winning team would walk away with the league trophy — the losers would just walk away.

The hopes and expectations of the entire town, not to mention the odd wager or two, and Drummondville's very reputation as a sporting centre hung in the balance. And the fans were counting on Maglie to deliver.

Today Maglie occupies a place in baseball history, remembered for his outstanding exploits with baseball's National League New York Giants of the early 1950s. But that came later.

In 1949, Maglie was a 32-year-old pitcher whose career appeared to be on the down turn. He was well aware

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SPORTS NOTEBOOK

Keith gets offensive player honours

Running back Kenton Keith of the Saskatchewan Roughriders was named the CFL's offensive player of the week after leading his team to its third straight victory. Keith rushed 17 times for 146 yards and two touchdowns as the Roughriders defeated the Montreal Alouettes 35-19 to move into a tie for second place in the West Division. Edmonton Eskimos defensive back Malcolm Frank earned the defensive award after he made eight tackles and returned an interception 45 yards for a touchdown in a 30-27 loss to the Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

Hamilton defensive end Joe Montford earned the award for top lineman of the week after recording three defensive tackles, three sacks and one pass knockdown. Bashir Levingston, a kick returner/receiver for the Toronto Argonauts, was named special teams player of the week. He had a kickoff return for eight yards and three punt returns for 97 yards — the longest for 85 yards and a touchdown — in Toronto's 49-24 win over Calgary.

Canada's English off to Sonics' camp

Former Canadian Men's National Team member Carl English signed a free-agent contract with the Seattle SuperSonics yesterday and will attend the NBA club's training camp this week. The NBA training camp will be English's second in as many years. In 2003, the former University of Hawaii standout attended the Indiana Pacers' training camp but was released shortly before the start of the regular season.

On TV

WEDNESDAY

• **BASEBALL: 4 p.m.;** Major League Baseball playoffs, National League Division Series, Houston Astros at Atlanta Braves (Game 1), Sportsnet. **7 p.m.;** American League Division Series, Minnesota Twins at New York Yankees (Game 2), Fox, Sportsnet, RDS. **10 p.m.;** American League Division Series, Boston Red Sox at Anaheim Angels (Game 2), Sportsnet, RDS.

Around Town

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UPCOMING

• **WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY SOCCER: Friday,** UQAM at Sherbrooke Vert & Or, University of Sherbrooke Stadium, 7 p.m. **Saturday,** UQTR at Bishop's Gaiters, Lennoxville, 11:30 a.m.

• **MEN'S UNIVERSITY SOCCER: Friday,** UQAM at Sherbrooke Vert & Or, University of Sherbrooke Stadium, 9 p.m.

• **JUNIOR AAA HOCKEY: Sunday,** Valleyfield Braves at Champlain Cougars, Palais des Sports Léopold-Drolet, Sherbrooke, 7 p.m.

• **MEN'S CEGEP AA SOCCER: Saturday,** Trois-Rivières at Champlain Cougars, Lennoxville, 3 p.m.

• **WOMEN'S CEGEP AA SOCCER: Saturday,** St-Hyacinthe at Champlain Cougars, Lennoxville, 1 p.m.

• **MEN'S CEGEP AAA FOOTBALL: Saturday,** FX Garneau at Champlain Cougars, Lennoxville, 1 p.m.

• **SENIOR HOCKEY (NAHL): Wednesday,** Verdun Dragons at Sherbrooke St-François, Palais des Sports Léopold-Drolet, Sherbrooke, 8 p.m.

• **MIDGET AAA HOCKEY: Saturday,** Amos at Magog Cantonniers, Magog Arena, 7 p.m. **Sunday,** Amos at Magog Cantonniers, Magog Arena, 2 p.m.

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that he was running out of time, that he might never again have a chance to play on a championship team — and so he took this opportunity very seriously.

FROM MEXICO TO DRUMMONDVILLE

A native of the Niagara Falls, NY area, Maglie had been a career minor league pitcher who eventually worked his way up to the 1945 New York Giants, where he enjoyed modest success.

However, with the end of World War II, former players began returning to their respective clubs, and Maglie saw he would have little chance of keeping a spot on the Giants' roster. Thus, when given an opportunity to jump to the Mexican League — a league actively recruiting players from the majors and high minors — he took the plunge.

A significant number of other players also made the same decision, so many that the game's supreme authorities, led by commissioner Happy Chandler decided to set an example. They banned them from all organized baseball for a period of five years. The jumpers would not be eligible to return until 1951.

After two years in Mexico, Maglie and most of the imported players called it quits and returned home — only to find they had run out of places to play in the United States. By 1949, Maglie was at the nadir of his career. Now completely out of baseball, he was pumping gas at the service station he owned in Niagara Falls, low on hope and desperately needing to be saved.

Fortunately for him, salvation took the form of the Quebec Provincial League, poised to embark on what many would regard as its greatest year ever.

A stellar pool of players had become available — Quebecers, displaced major leaguers, young Latins, Negro League veterans, Mexican League jumpers — and every team in the loop was bent on recruiting the best talent it could find.

The Drummondville Cubs manager, Montrealer Stan Bréard, himself a career minor leaguer and jumper, had known Maglie from their days down south and signed him on for \$600 a month. Drummondville was delighted.

On March 24, 1949, the daily *La Parole* reported that Maglie's signing was the big news of the week for baseball fans in the city.

As indeed he was.

Maglie was not Drummondville's only high profile signing. The legendary Quincy Troupe, a perennial All-Star in the Negro League came on board too. So did ex-Giants Danny Gardella and Roy Zimmerman; and pitcher Max Lanier, a former all-star with the St. Louis Cardinals.

Other regulars included Victor Pellot, who would later gain fame in the Major Leagues as Vic Power; Roger Bréard, younger brother of Stan; Joe Tuminelli, a Dodger farmhand who preferred Quebec; and Conrado Perez, a Latin breaking into integrated baseball.

The Cubs got off to a great start as did the league. Commissioner Chandler unexpectedly rescinded his ban on Mexican jumpers in mid-June, and while this did affect some teams — Lanier was the only one of the Drummondville nine to leave — the league continued to deliver excellent ball and draw good crowds.

Maglie remained behind for several reasons.

BASEBALL

He was earning good money, he did not yet consider that he was ready to compete for a position with the Giants, and of greatest importance, he believed he was honour-bound to fulfill his commitment to Drummondville.

THE PLAYOFFS

The regular season ended in early September, and although the Sherbrooke, St-Jean and Granby sides had all taken their run at the Cubs, Drummondville walked away with the pennant, finishing eight games ahead of second-place Granby. Maglie led the league in pitching with an 18-9 record.

And now, Drummondville's post-season run, an inconceivable circus of highs and lows, was about to begin.

The Cubs had every right to feel confident going into the league playoffs, if for no other reason than that their first round opponents would be the lowly St-Hyacinthe Saints who had ended the season 27 games out. As a result, the Cubs were not prepared for the rude awakening that greeted them, and while, ultimately, they did manage to slip past the Saints, it took them the full nine games and more than a little luck.

Anchored deep in the league's second division throughout the regular campaign, the Black Sox had been the surprise of the post-season. Handily, they had first dispatched St-Jean in the quarterfinals, and then Granby, and were now poised to pull off the greatest upset of all.

Farnham had a solid team made up of experienced veterans, several of whom had survived the rigours of the Negro Leagues and winter ball. They were not easily intimidated.

The Cubs took the first two games, lost the following pair, won Game 5 on Maglie's four-hit, 2-0 shutout, split the next two, and then with victory in their grasp, lost Game 8.

The stubborn Black Sox had succeeded in neutralizing Drummondville's strengths and were still in the hunt. And one more time, fortunes were about to rest on a last, winner-take-all, game.

Maglie had been outstanding throughout the playoffs. In five starts he had won four, lost none, saved another game in relief and maintained a batting average that was among the best on his team. Against Farnham, in two encounters, Maglie had yet to concede a run. In Game 9, he was being called upon one more time.

Facing Maglie on the mound was the venerable Willie Pope, long a stalwart of the Negro Leagues and ace of the Farnham staff. Both had come to win, and for inning after pressure-filled inning, both bore down, giving away nothing.

Farnham was first to put up a run, capitalizing on what the local papers called a lucky home run. In the fourth inning, Al Wilson hammered a long drive to centre field and as Pellot and Gardella converged on the ball, it dropped between and rolled to the fence. By the time Pellot could recover it, Wilson had round the bases and scored.

Pope managed to hold the lead until the seventh before Drummondville finally rallied, and when the dust had settled and the cheering stopped, five runs had crossed the plate, enough to seal the victory. They had done it. At last, the Cubs were truly champions.

One more time, Maglie had prevailed: Four hits, 10 strikeouts and a 5-1 victory. His last game in Drummondville and it was a masterpiece. The Cubs had required 10 playoff wins to earn the title. Maglie had delivered five of them

Women's Missionary Fellowship of Grace Chapel

The summer has come and gone and it is time to commence the Fall activities. Monday evening at 6 p.m., September 20th Peggy Munkittrick, Chris Bobbitt and Nancy Gangé organized a delicious Pizza supper with salads, cake and ice cream to kick off the Fall season about 29 ladies gathered at Grace Chapel for the first meeting of the season Peggy welcomed all who had come then gave thanks for the food. A happy time of fellowship followed.

At the close of supper Bea Stark explained about her project of surprise packages. She gathers small items, packages them up in boxes big and small, wrapping them in recycled paper and ribbons. The proceeds of this project goes towards sending out the apple boxes of clothes, household articles, school items and lots more to Angola for distribution amongst the very needy folk there. Bea then invited the ladies to participate in this project by putting a \$1.00 in the box and choosing a package. This created considerable fun and enjoyment as the ladies opened their packages to see what they had received.

With Edna Walker at the piano we enjoyed singing "I Love to Tell the Story." Beryl Beckwith gave the Treasurer's report explaining how the funds had been distributed and to whom the Summer Offering would be given. She also read a thank you note.

Janet Sparkes brought before the ladies the necessity to pray for our missionaries serving in Angola, Nigeria, Niger, Zambia and other areas. She mentioned Tom and Lana Robertson serving at Sakeji School in Zambia and how the Africans call them the White Walkers because on a Sunday they as a family walk a considerable distance to gather with the African believers to remember and worship the Lord. She spoke of Pearl Winterburn who is now retired from the Congo and who was going on a group trip to Greece and Turkey though she uses a wheel chair and walker. She mentioned also Mark and Marion Foggin who serve the Lord in Tibet and the difficulties of living in such a high altitude. She also spoke of the Missionary Project carried on one day a month to prepare Hygiene Bags, pencil cases, calendars, and many other things which are sent out to Angola twice a year when a container is scheduled to be shipped. She then called on Mildred Beckwith to bring a report from her sister Marjorie and a note of thanks to all who do so

much to help the African people in their many needs. Doris Pitman also explained something of her work in translating and preparing books for printing. She showed a new book, a Commentary on Ephesians which had just come off the press and was already on its way to Angola. She also thanked all who had given clothes, pots, pans, sheets, blankets and many other items to send out and expressed an appreciation for those who helped with the packing and preparing the boxes for shipment as well as for Jake Jackson who takes the time out of his busy schedule to rent a truck and drive to Toronto to the warehouse where all these items are packed in a container and shipped to Marjorie Beckwith in Angola.

After singing "Let Your heart Be Broken for a World in Need" Peggy called on Jennifer Santé who with her husband direct at Camp Livingstone. She spoke of how the Lord had blessed through the summer and what a privilege it was to give boys, and girls an opportunity to spend a week or two at Camp where they often for the first time hear that God loves them and sent His Son to die for them. She asked prayer for their Retreat in October and for those who came to know the Lord at Camp that they might grow spiritually and for the value of keeping in touch.

Rose Howe through she had not been at Quebec Lodge during the summer, came to bring a report on the various activities carried out during their summer camps in which campers participate in swimming, sailing, sports, hiking, etc. As a group they visited 13 churches in the area bringing messages in song and occasionally taking the service.

Marilyn McKelvie who with her husband serve the Lord at Parkside Ranch gave the report of the summer activities at Parkside. She began by thanking all those who had prayed for Directors, staff and campers mentioning especially those who were prayer partners and what an encouragement this had been to those serving on the front lines. They had a good summer with safety in all the activities and with the horses and no major accidents. Marilyn worked in the kitchen and spoke of what a blessing it was to have a convection oven which speeded up the preparation of food. Marilyn asked prayer that the Lord would provide the ones of His choice to serve at Parkside; for the follow-up pro-

grams and for safety in construction.

Linda Jackson brought the report of the summer activities and Frontier Lodge. They witnessed God's miracles every day at Camp as they all worked together. Young people had come from the West to be missionaries in Quebec. Linda focused her thoughts on Colossians 3:17 "Whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him." These young people have gone away with a new appreciation of the need in Quebec. Linda was grateful for her children who did so much to make the running of camp easier for her since she was not well. Leora in particular took her place and it was gratifying to see their children work at camp and carrying on. During the camping season they ran a Home School weekend; a Family Camp as well as the regular Junior and Senior Camps for boys and girls. It is God's work and He asks us to be faithful.

Laurie Strout was unable to be with us but Clair Fisk read the report for the Word of Life - Bethel Camps amongst the French Canadian children when the students throughout the year at Bethel put into practise what they had learned by being councillors and staff. Guest speakers came from other parts of Quebec to minister the Word to the Campers.

Our guest speaker for the evening was Esther Corey. Her theme was "It is the round trip passengers who get the special treatment." She spoke of a 11 day trip she and her husband took on a small boat which travelled north on the west coast of Norway going way north of the Arctic circle, stopping at all the little hamlets to deliver mail, etc. The round trip passengers received special treatment and she likened the Christian life as being a lot like that trip. Just as that trip was a unique adventure so the walk with God is also a unique adventure. He has variety and many stops. It is the round trip passenger that gets the special treatment. What other way of life gives peace and tranquility as the Lord Jesus gives us. He gives joy in our hearts and cheerfulness in our lives. God uses different people, different places, different personalities, different gifts and He wants to use our lives. Abraham had to give up Isaac for whom he waited all those years; Jacob served 7 years for a wife and was given a different one; Joseph might have despaired

JONES, Georgia (Boomhower) - On October 4, 2004 left this world peacefully at the age of 82, at the Brome Missisquoi Perkins Hospital with her children at her side. She will be sadly missed by her children, Tom, Linda, Bill, Chester and Judy and families, as well as by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Funeral arrangements by the Dion Funeral Home, 215 rue Rivière, Bedford (450-248-2911). Visitation will take place Friday, October 8 from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. followed by a funeral service at the Funeral Home at 2:00 p.m. Donations in her name would be thankfully received at the Brome Missisquoi Perkins Hospital.

Death

Card of Thanks

MURRAY - A big Thank You to Sis and Vida Clark, Reta Gaulin and our friends and relatives in Bury, for the surprise housewarming of gifts and groceries, to Rock and Winnie for helping deliver it, also to those who helped us move. We like it here, but miss Bury.

MAXWELL, SHIRLEY
AND SAMUEL

but God backed him up; Moses tried and failed and only after 40 years was able to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt; (Acts 12: 5-8) Peter was in prison sleeping, bound with two chains when the angel of the Lord came, smote him and raised him up then he himself had to gird himself and bind on his sandals and follow the angel. So it is with us we are awakened but then we must act for the Christian life is not having everything done for us we have to trust and go forward. The Lord uses our talents and living testimony in action. God promised Job that he would come to the grave in full vigor. What we do is for the glory of God and the Lord will reward our efforts by using us. It is God that has placed us where we are. Each one of us will have to answer for what we have done and the life we have lived whether for Him or for self.

In closing we sang the first verse of "Because He Lives" then Clair Fisk closed in prayer.

Doris I. Pitman

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Golden Age Club news

MANSONVILLE

Twenty members met at the town hall on Tuesday, September 28th. Mariette Marcoux spent most of the day Monday preparing our main course for today. She not only made, but donated all the ingredients which makes a great cabbage roll. She had prepared enough at two apiece for 26 people, plus furnished cucumbers and tomatoes for the salads. She has been a member of our club for a few years but due to her working hours was seldom able to come. Now that she is retired we will be seeing her once in awhile. Thanks, Mariette for a great meal. Dessert, being a rhubarb cake and an orange bread was donated and made by Rita Marcoux and Flora Jersey. Thanks Helma and all who helped with the clean up-after the meal. Also thanks go to Huguette Levoy for her great cucumber pickles.

Tickets were sold on two articles donated by Mary Poulos, these were a lovely vase and a very pretty bowl. This made a \$13.00 donation to the club and the winners were George Hamelin and Verlie Aikens.

Door prizes were won by Rita Marcoux, Verlie Aiken, Greg and Marian Gauvin, Lila McCoy, George Hamelin, Juliette Laliberte and Alfred Vintinner.

"500" winners were Rita Marcoux and Greg Gauvin.

Game prizes were won by R. Mossa, H. Levoy, J. Laliberté, F. Jersey, A. Vintinner, J. Jersey and G. Hamelin.

Cards were signed for Ida MacKay, W. Smithers, Therese Ducharme and Elaine Hamelin.

Submitted by
Rita Mossa

Happy Anniversary

To a wonderful husband on our anniversary.

Love Arlene

Happy Birthday

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Tammy!



Love from
all your friends & family

Try to be a source of support for your niece

Dear Annie: My sister, "Carol," whom I love dearly, is self-destructing. She has been having an online affair with a guy in another state. She ditched her husband of 15 years for this guy, and the divorce was final last month.

Carol's 11-year-old daughter is not taking this well. My niece has reverted to babyish behavior. She's been throwing continual snit fits and is generally being a pill. Carol, her ex and my niece had been going to family counseling, but Carol refuses to go back because she says the counselor is on her ex's side.

Carol is now making arrangements to move to another state, where her online lover is located, and plans to sue for sole custody of her daughter, despite the fact that the little girl loves her dad dearly, and all her relatives and friends live here.

My sister is a successful attorney who is very attractive and very poised. Is this some kind of midlife crisis? Why isn't she thinking of her daughter's emotional health? I'm stressing out about it — it's like seeing a train wreck coming that I can't prevent. I've tried speaking to Carol, but she just gets angry and won't listen. Any advice for me? Or is it best to stay out of it? — Worried Sister in the South

Dear Worried: It sounds as if Carol has thrown caution to the wind. It's too

Annie's Mailbox

bad she can't think clearly enough to put her daughter's needs before her own. There is nothing you can do to force Carol to behave rationally, but it might help to tell her how much you love her and that you are concerned. No matter the outcome, try to be a source of support for your niece. She is going to need people to look out for her.

Dear Annie: Would you please tell doctors not to speculate about what terminal diseases they suspect their patients might have before getting back the test results?

My daughter went to see her doctor about a health concern. He told her he thought she had some serious disease but had to wait until the lab confirmed it. My daughter went through horrendous stress waiting a week for the results. She couldn't work, eat or sleep.

Why don't doctors just tell their patients that tests will be done to make sure everything is OK and leave it at that? As it turned out, thank God, my daughter is in good health and worried for nothing. — Angry Mom

Dear Mom: Most doctors don't give medical predictions without good cause, and most patients like to know what their doctors are thinking. In your

daughter's case, the doctor apparently cried wolf. We're glad she's fine.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Anonymous Minister," who asked you to stop referring people to their clergy when they need counseling. He said the clergy isn't trained to provide such assistance. That minister needs to speak for himself.

I attended two very prestigious seminaries, have served as an ordained church pastor and am now a military chaplain. I have an extra year of graduate education in pastoral counseling and two years of hospital residence as a chaplain.

Many ministers specialize in particular areas such as marriage, parenting, divorce, addiction recovery and other forms of counseling. Ministers, priests and rabbis are a tremendous resource in seeking comfort and confronting problems. Please help me set the record straight for my humble colleague. — Chaplain Phil King, Lieutenant, USNR, Okinawa, Japan

Dear Chaplain King: You did a fine job on your own. Several readers also recommended the American Association of Pastoral Counselors (aapc.org), an interdenominational accrediting group for referrals. Our thanks to all who wrote.

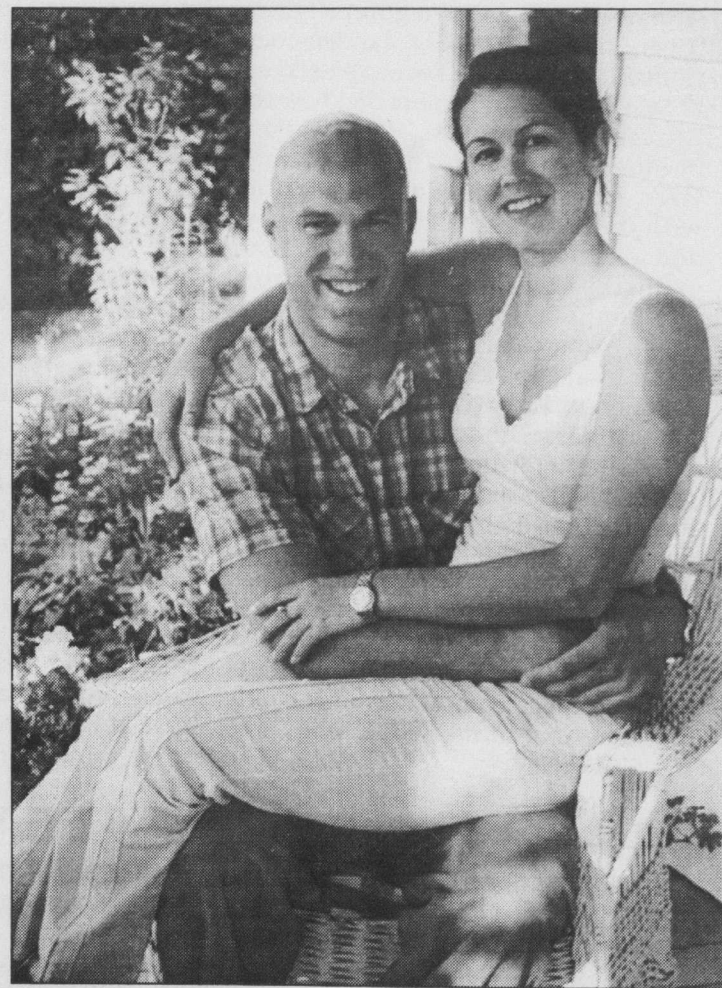
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CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

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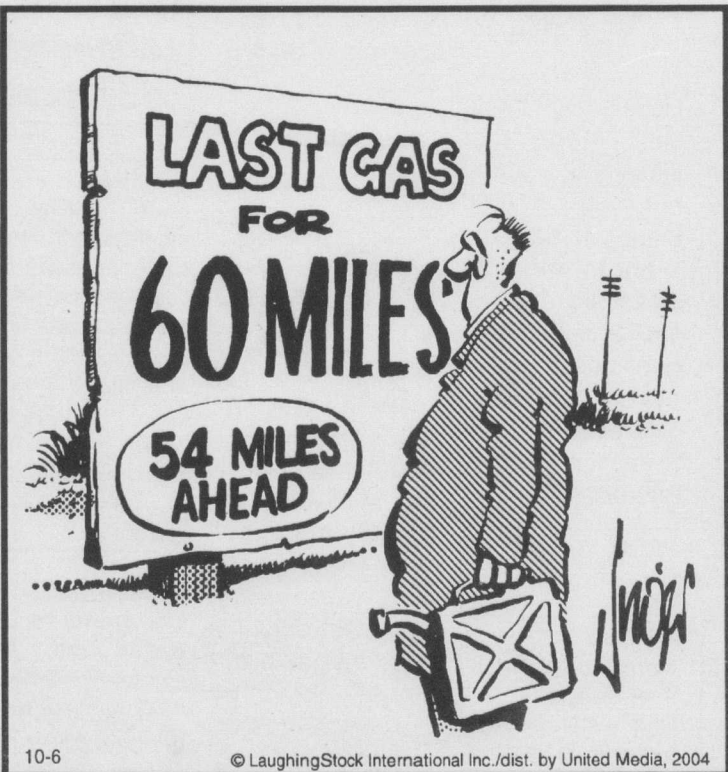
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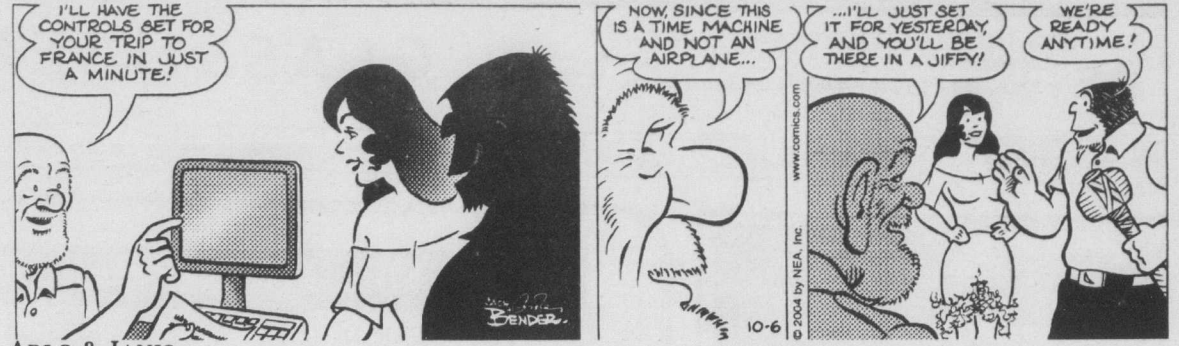
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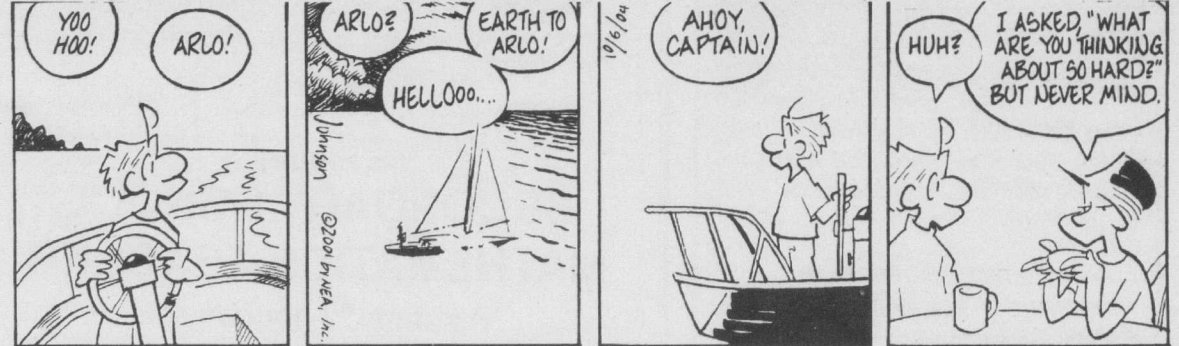
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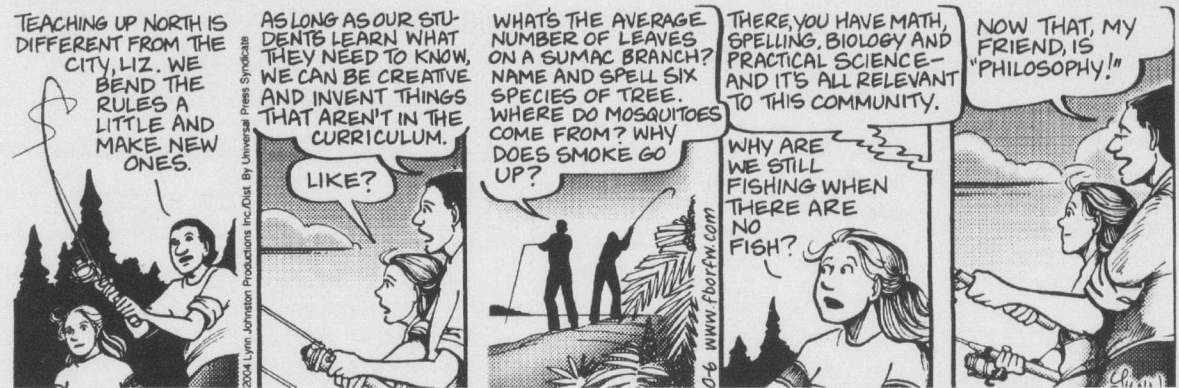
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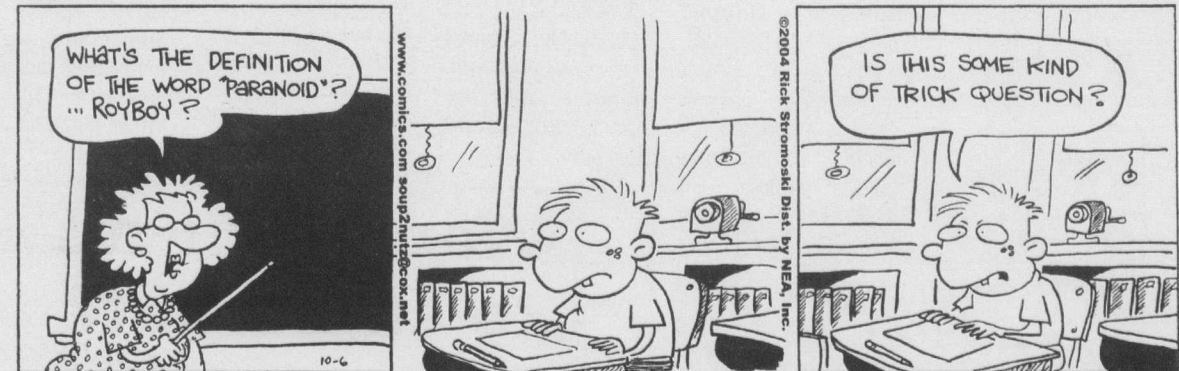
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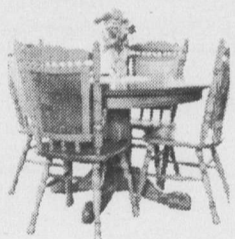
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Your Birthday

Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2004

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — You're a person who tries very hard to get along with everyone, but be careful that you're not used today by someone who takes advantage of your cooperative spirit and makes you his pigeon.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — If you have a bit of a roving eye today it could cause you complications you don't anticipate, especially where your career or work is concerned. Avoid a flirtation with an off-limits person.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Do all that you can to make those you come into contact with today feel that you think highly of them. Do not unwittingly compare your deeds to theirs, which might not be as mighty.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Be extremely wary of anyone who praises you today without cause. It should serve as a red flag that his or her flattery may be designed to serve a selfish purpose at your expense.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Normally your financial judgment in business matters is quite shrewd, but today you may choose to see things as you'd like them to be rather than be willing to accept facts as they really are.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Social amenities are always very important, yet

today you may be too wrapped up in your emotional views and do something in poor taste that leaves a bad impression difficult to erase.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Sometimes we unwittingly hurt someone who means a lot to us. Keep your wits about you today or you could do just that.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — To appease two separate pals today, you may promise to spend time with each, thinking you'll split your time. Unfortunately, each will want all your time and be angry if they don't get it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Take care of your own affairs today in important career matters. A well-meaning but bumbling associate could do things on your behalf that will have ill effects difficult to mend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Be very careful not to let impulsiveness or impetuosity cloud your judgment in your dealings with others today. A loose tongue could cause much trouble that could be avoided.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Although you can manage your funds well when you choose to do so, today may not be one of those times. Your generosity might far exceed your common sense and leave you in debt.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — If you don't think for yourself today, a person with less than honorable intentions will jump in and do so for you. Don't leave yourself wide open to be one of this person's victims.

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Opening lead: ♥ A			

opposing troops have five. According to the mathematicians, these are the division probabilities: 3-2 — 67.8 percent; 4-1 — 28.3 percent; 5-0 — 3.9 percent. So, it is reasonable to assume a 3-2 split, but if you can, try to find a line that succeeds against both 3-2 and 4-1 breaks.

You reach four spades. West starts the defense with his three top hearts. After ruffing the third, how would you continue?

Declarer thought that he saw 11 easy tricks: four spades, one diamond, five clubs and the heart ruff in hand. So, he immediately drew two rounds of trumps. However, when West discarded a diamond on the second round, the contract was no longer makable. South played on clubs, but East ruffed the third round and returned the spade jack, stranding declarer in the dummy. He had to lose two diamond tricks and finished two down.

To collect those five club tricks, South needs to draw trumps while maintaining control. After the spade to the queen, South should have called for dummy's low spade. (He could have ducked the first round of trumps.) Then, declarer can win whatever comes back, remove East's remaining spades, and run the clubs in peace.

Note that if spades are 3-2, this play costs only an overtrick.

There were 10 cohorts in a legion — did you win 10 tricks here?

Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2004

Will the trumps divide favorably?

By Phillip Alder

A Roman legion was divided into cohorts — how many?

In bridge, we have lots of divisions. For example, you will often be fighting with an army of eight trumps. That means the

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ACROSS

- 1 Poisonous plant
- 6 Put on weight
- 10 Fairy-tale villain
- 14 Up and about
- 15 Push for
- 16 Most important point
- 17 Amazon tributary
- 18 Put in the hold
- 19 Necklace fastener
- 20 Tux adjunct
- 22 Exxon, once
- 23 Oriental sauces
- 24 Hesitation syllables
- 25 Take stock of
- 29 Actress Gill
- 32 Mil. noncom
- 35 That is to say

DOWN

- 36 Basketry material
- 37 Clan members
- 38 Getting up
- 40 Flying alone
- 42 Notes of scales
- 43 Pinball jars
- 45 Actor Flynn
- 46 Those elected
- 47 Singer Laine
- 48 African fly
- 49 H.S. part
- 51 Physiques, casually
- 53 Sheep shelter
- 55 Copper-zinc alloy artisan
- 61 Draft classification
- 62 That hurt!
- 63 Macabre
- 64 Worrier's word
- 65 Twice preceder
- 66 Stage whisper
- 67 Wee one
- 68 Portico of ancient Greece
- 69 Cut with light

- Voyager"
- 13 Big show, for short
- 21 Crisis letters
- 24 True or harp marine mammal
- 25 Video-game pioneer company
- 26 Philosopher Kierkegaard
- 27 Braised entree
- 28 Berlin ice
- 30 Snake's warning
- 31 Want ad abbr.
- 33 Mythological king of Crete
- 34 Viewpoint
- 36 Stare at
- 39 Nothing at all

- 41 Mine deposit
- 44 "___ Road"
- 48 NFL scores
- 50 Stop
- 52 Actor Milo
- 53 Thin layer
- 54 And nothing more
- 55 Ghostly greetings
- 56 Litter's littlest
- 57 Desert bluff
- 58 Part of an eye
- 59 Ocean motion
- 60 Take note of

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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By Robert H. Wolfe

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