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The Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board's commissioners brought the academic year to a fitting close last Wednesday evening by honouring three Laval Senior Academy students (holding blue folders) who won at the Super Expo Sciences Hydro-Québec fair in Sorel-Tracy from April 22 - 24.

From the left, Praise Omogbai and Costa Blidjios have developed into highly promising sprinters while training with one of Canada's top three athletes in the discipline, Nicolas Macrozonaris, right.



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Nicolas Macrozonaris is training a new generation of sprinters

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Dramatic year ends triumphantly at Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board

Commissioners honor students and staff as Bill 86 is withdrawn

MARTIN C. BARRY

A tumultuous year, which saw the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board come within a whisker of being wiped out, came to a triumphant conclusion on Wednesday this past week with the board vindicated by Quebec and the way cleared for a new school year to start in the fall after summer vacation.

The commissioners, as well as some students and parents, gathered at board headquarters in Rosemère for a traditional end-of-the-academic-year meeting during which some junior high schoolers from Laval held a student parliament.

The SWLSB's executive members and commissioners also paid homage to a teaching associate and several students who brought honor to the board through their professional and academic achievements.

A year to remember

"This has been a fantastic year," said board chairwoman Jennifer Maccarone, who along with the commissioners spent a good part of the past 10 months staring imminent termination in the face while the government pledged to pursue its ambitious goal of closing or seriously altering the province's school boards as a drastic cost cutting measure using Bill 86.

"We're certainly moving on where we can now focus on school, on education and on our students and not on governments," said Maccarone. "It's very much a step in the right direction." She believes Premier Philippe Couillard's decision to hand the provincial education portfolio to a new minister, Sébastien Proulx, made all the difference.

"We're very happy that we finally have a minister that listens to us. We feel very positive. There have been many meetings and he [the new minister] has been very open and that's been great. Because having that dialogue – which we used to have – is a wonderful step forward not only for our school board, but for all of the students in the province."

End of Bill 86 brings relief

Ward 6 commissioner Emilio Migliozi was just as relieved by the government's decision to withdraw Bill 86. "It gives us a chance to look at alternatives for a new governing structure," he told The Laval News. Migliozi speculated on at least one underlying reason the legislation was withdrawn.



Laval Junior Academy pupils staged a student parliament during the SWLSB meeting.

"The elections are only in a year-and-a-half and they certainly want our good side," he said. "I think that might have helped things a little bit, but we at the board also worked hard to get Bill 86 shelved. I think now that we have somebody at the ministry who's a little more keen to listen and to respect our views and our existence should also be good."

Prior to the board's regular council meeting, a ceremony was held to recognize the achievements of three Laval Senior Academy Secondary 4 and 5 students who participated in and won various awards at the Super Expo Sciences Hydro-Québec fair that took place in Sorel-Tracy from April 22 - 24.

Top science performers honored

Jonathan St-Onge won the \$1,000 Têtes chercheuses Merck award for his project, Stem Cell Expansion in Culture. Wilfred Mason won three awards (the Réseau CDLS-CLS Silver medal (\$300), the Francis-Boulva reconnaissance award (\$500), and the Jeune Innovateur award from l'ADRIQ (\$1,000) for his HEXA Leaf project. Thomas Ribeiro also won three awards (Réseau CDLS-CLS Gold medal (\$500), Concordia University award (\$4,000) and the ArcelorMittal award (\$500) for his SUPER-PLANT project.

The SWLSB also paid homage to a teaching consultant whose work was recognized last month by an association of language educators. On April 28, Marc-Albert Paquette had the honour of receiving the Ghislaine-Coutu-

Vaillancourt Award during the 35th conference of the Association québécoise des enseignants de français langue seconde (AQEFLS), the provincial association that brings together teachers of French as a second language.

According to an SWLSB spokesperson, the prize is awarded each year to a member of the education community who has demonstrated excellence and for his or her outstanding contribution to the teaching of French as a second language.

Student parliamentarians convene

Continuing another end-of-year tradition, the school board meeting was preceded by a session of a student parliament made up of student council members from Laval Junior Academy. Led by chairman Francesco Renda, the students debated and weighed the merits of continuing to award a school busing contract to the semi-public Société de Transport de Laval (STL) or switching to a private company at a considerably higher cost.

The results of a survey conducted among 100 students was tabled. Some of the comments were read out, leading to uproarious laughter from parents and commissioners. Gaëlle Absolonne, the SWLSB's director of school organization and transportation, had to maintain a straight face as some of the student survey recommendations were read out, including one that suggested firing all the current bus drivers while keeping their vehicles.



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Note to the Trudeau Liberals: Marijuana and driving don't mix

With Canada now on the verge of decriminalizing marijuana and creating retail channels for its sale, it's starting to dawn on some people that the Trudeau Liberals may have decided to move forward with this project without first considering at least one important logistical problem that's bound to have consequences.

Last week, the Canadian Automobile Association's provincial branch, CAA-Quebec, issued what amounts to an official statement when it pointed out that the number of deadly accidents involving drivers under the influence of marijuana could shoot up by more than 100 per cent following legalization.

Quoting a study conducted by the American Automobile Association in Washington State following the decriminalization of cannabis

there four years ago, CAA-Quebec noted that the AAA study found that some of the proposed legally permissible limits for marijuana's psychoactive ingredient THC in the bloodstream vary and otherwise aren't clear in the least.

In just one year (2013-2014), according to the AAA, the number of deadly accidents involving drivers in Washington who were under marijuana's influence jumped from 8 to 17 per cent. "Is it worrying?" CAA-Quebec asked. "Without a doubt! Especially when we know that the federal government foresees tabling a draft bill to legalize the use of cannabis."

In the U.S., the National Institute on Drug Abuse, a federally-funded research agency attached to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), concluded that marijuana "significantly impairs judgment, motor coordination, and

reaction time, and studies have found a direct relationship between blood THC concentration and impaired driving ability." NIDA claims that accident-involved drivers with THC in their blood, particularly higher levels, are three to seven times more likely to be responsible for the accident than drivers who had not used drugs or alcohol.

But, adding an element of doubt, the agency also noted that a large case-control study conducted by the U.S. government's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) found no significant increased crash risk attributable to cannabis after controlling for drivers' age, gender, race, and presence of alcohol.

While we can only presume the Trudeau government is aware of some of the issues

surrounding the legalization of grass, a particular bone of contention with ramifications for motor vehicle safety is that THC is notoriously difficult to track in the same manner as alcohol in the bloodstream. While decades of research went into establishing the 0.8 breath alcohol limit that is currently the most popular standard for being drunk at the wheel of a car or truck, there is nothing of the sort for marijuana.

In the meantime, no one appears to be on the verge of introducing a roadside test for marijuana impairment. And even though drunk driving is reported to be on the decline, consuming marijuana is more common than ever and will most probably rise further following legalization, retail introduction and greater public acceptance.

As might be expected in a situation as politicized as marijuana decriminalization, certain parties with vested interests have waded in and applied their own particular spin. The National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML), which has been lobbying for decriminalization in the U.S. for the past 46 years, makes claims about driving and marijuana impairment which fundamentally contradict most of those made by NIDA and the AAA.

"It is well established that alcohol increases accident risk," but "evidence of marijuana's culpability in on-road driving accidents is much less convincing," NORML maintains in a statement on its web site. NORML does admit, however, that in driving simulator tests, marijuana impairment on drivers was such that it left them "requiring greater time to respond to emergency situations."

Whatever else NORML might say, this is virtually an admission that the stoned driver is indeed significantly more likely to get into accidents because he or she doesn't respond in critical situations in the same manner as the unimpaired driver does.

Although NORML still insists that marijuana "does not appear to play a significant role in vehicle crashes, particularly when compared to alcohol," in the end their pro-cannabis argument, largely disregarding opposing evidence, somehow ends up resembling the glossy-eyed claim some alcohol-impaired people will often make: "I drive better when I've had a few."

— Martin C. Barry —

After 31 years, Missing Children's Network Quebec sets the mark

In May last year, the Missing Children's Network celebrated its 30th year of operation in Quebec. It was an incredible milestone for a small grassroots organization that literally first operated out of the trunk of the co-founders' car.

Through sheer hard work, determination and perseverance, MCN Quebec (which is known officially in the province as *Enfant-Retour Québec*) has built a strong and vibrant organization that has provided hope to thousands of families for three decades and continues to do so faithfully.

Today they are regarded as the reference in Quebec for families, law enforcement, educators and media in the field of missing and exploited children. Through the years, the organization has made great strides in developing new approaches and expertise for recovering missing children and for the prevention of their disappearance. In all, MCN Quebec has reunited 1,032 children with their families.

At the same time, 175,000 school children have received practical safety education and

instruction to avoid becoming abduction victims. As well, the organization offers an abundance of safety documentation to support parents in helping keep their children safe as they grow and develop.

In recent years, MCN Quebec has seen the future and made a corresponding shift toward new technologies to support ongoing investigations of cases involving missing children. In conjunction with long-time supporter ADR-TV, an application, Child Alert, was developed to allow parents to create and store an electronic ID profile of their child on a cell phone.

By moving the child identification program onto an electronic platform, MCN Quebec has succeeded in making it more widely available and easier for families everywhere to access. It's this kind of forward thinking that makes MCN Quebec a leader in efforts to assist abducted and exploited children.

Therefore it should come as no surprise that the expertise of the organization has been widely recognized and saluted by law enforcement officials in Quebec. In 2003,

MCN Quebec was invited by the RCMP, the *Sûreté du Québec* and the Montreal Police to partner and implement the life-saving Amber Alert program. This well-known tool, used only in some of the most time-critical missing children cases, has been credited with saving the lives of 10 children.

While MCN Quebec is rightly proud of its many accomplishments, their work is far from over. Every day on average in Quebec, 15 children are reported missing to law enforcement. And while the majority of these children are located within the first week of being reported missing, many are not as fortunate.

But there remains a commitment at MCN Quebec to do more and to do better. Children everywhere deserve no less. Based on MCN Quebec's past performance and achievements, we believe that the organization can be counted on to be faithful to its mission for years, until all missing children are back at home and safe.

— Martin C. Barry —

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Laval library's annual used materials sale a success

Almost \$39,000 in proceeds to go towards cultural programs



(TLN) Organized by the City of Laval's public library network, a megasale of books and used materials proved to be highly successful when it was held recently. Held on May 6 and 7 at the Cartier Arena, more than 4,000 people attended and \$38,920.48 in sales were recorded by the staff.

During the annual event, library staff bring together books, magazines, CDs, DVDs, encyclopedias and many other materials coming from surplus library stock and donations made by citizens. This year more than 38,685 documents were on sale at a cost of \$3 per kilo.

The money gathered is reinvested each year in cultural programs offered at branches of the Laval public library network during the fall,



winter and summer. They include discussions, conferences, creative workshops, shows and training sessions in new technologies.

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Disaster assistance for Fort McMurray victims

The mayor of Laval, Marc Demers, communicated with the President of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Raymond Louie on May 5th 2016, to encourage the mobilization of aid from Canadian municipalities for the victims of the Fort McMurray wild forest fires.

"I believe that as members of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, we must back up our talk with concrete gestures and provide financial support for these victims, residents of this immense disaster. I hope that our effort resonates with all of my elected colleagues of Canada," wrote Mayor Demers to the FCM president in a gesture of solidarity on behalf of his Albertan counterparts.

The Mayor of Laval has responded to the call for the solidarity of the Union of Quebec Municipalities by asking the executive committee to donate \$ 10,000 to the Canadian Red Cross. Mayor Demers believes that if this gift is matched by other Canadian cities it will grow to provide a significant contribution to the Canadian Red Cross relief efforts.

Fight against climate change

In 2013, the City of Laval and the Ministry of Sustainable Development, Environment and the Fight against Climate Change (MDDELCC) signed an agreement to help achieve three objectives in the Municipalities Climate Change Program. The first intention of the program was to measure and update the volume of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions on Laval's territory which was approved by the MDDELCC in April 2015. The plan to address the reduction of GHGs received approval in July 2015. Finally Laval's plan of action to transition to a low carbon emission world has received approval from the Ministry in March 2016.

Laval is one of five Quebec cities to have provided such a plan. The Executive Committee therefore authorized the Environmental Service to submit the third and final report to the MDDELCC in order to receive the subsidies that the government has earmarked for municipalities taking such initiatives.

According to the Government of Québec the fight against climate change is a fundamental and top priority issue for Québec's future. With income derived mainly from the carbon market, the Government of Québec supports companies, Québec municipalities and private citizens in the transition to a low carbon world. By 2020, Québec will have invested more than 3.3 billion dollars to implement the measures set out in the 2013-2020 Climate Change Action Plans, measures that will enable the reduction of GHG emissions and allow a better adaptation to the consequences of climate change.

It is believed that these measures call upon innovative solutions from scientists and entrepreneurs and open the door to develop-

ing Québec expertise in cutting-edge niche markets that will enable Québec to accelerate its shift to a sustainable economy. The fight against climate change is also a promising pathway towards developing an economy that is both robust and low carbon able to generate more energy from low-carbon sources like solar, wind and nuclear power.

Program courses and activities at the outdoor pools

The Executive Committee authorized the Department of Culture, Recreation and Sport and Social Development to retain the services of the organization Mouvement Aquatique Laval. This organization created in 1975 is dedicated to the promotion of aquatic activities throughout Laval. Swimming lessons and water sports activities are offered in collaboration with many partners including the City of Laval, aquatic sports clubs and recreational committees.

The services that have been contracted are for the coordination and implementation of municipal aquatic programs in the city's outdoor swimming pools for the summer period of 2016. The administration has agreed to compensate the organization a sum of \$73,500 which also covers the costs of advanced and specialized training.

Financial assistance to the project Rendezvous of elders

On March 19th 2015 an agreement was signed between the Centre Communautaire Le Rendez-vous des aînés (Seniors Community Centre Le Rendezvous) and the Local Development Centre (CLD) of Laval which provided the association a grant of \$ 50,000 for their services and activities. An initial payment of \$ 30,000 was funded in

March 2015. As the CLD activities are now transferred to the City of Laval, the Executive Committee agreed to provide the balance of funding of \$ 20,000 to the Community Centre Le Rendez-vous des aînés. The monies will be disbursed from the Social Economy Fund operational budget of the city in 2016.

The goal of this association is to provide seniors a place of belonging to combat solitude, develop mutual support and empower people aged 50 and over Laval.

Financial assistance to the Laval Meals on Wheels Association

Following the integration of UNCCD activities of Laval in the Economic Development Department, the Executive Committee members have provided funding of \$ 1,000 to the Laval Meals on Wheels Association to extend strategic support for the coordination of the services. Laval is served by eight different Meals on Wheels providers with well-defined territories. They are all members of the "Laval Meals on Wheels Association" and conform to uniform guidelines and directions.

These organizations provide hot meals delivered at individual homes between 10h45 and 12h45, from Monday to Friday. The average cost for a meal stands between \$5, 00 and \$6, 00. It includes a soup, a main dish, prepared without excessive amounts of salt and fat, and a dessert.

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CAQ's Legault not disappointed by Bill 86 withdrawal

'Still they don't know what they want to do with school boards,' he says

MARTIN C. BARRY

On a stop in Saint-Eustache last week, Coalition Avenir Québec leader François Legault said in an interview with the Laval News that he's not disappointed the Liberals decided to kill Bill 86 – the government's controversial legislation which would have done away with elected school boards across the province.

We spoke to Legault last week just a few days after the Liberals announced they were withdrawing Bill 86. It would have fundamentally changed the province's education system by replacing school commissions with a new and non-elected form of governance.

"I think it's a good thing," Legault said, "because right now we have to focus on services, not on structures. But it's clear that we have a government that improvises. It doesn't make sense that after two years – they're not there since two weeks but two years – and still they don't know what they want to do with school boards."

Copy catting the CAQ

Legault noted that new recommendations by Liberal Education Minister Sébastien Proulx, including kindergarten starting at age four, were originally suggestions that had been made by the CAQ. "We had proposed putting in place school starting at four years old like they have in Ontario and many other places," he said.

Legault speculated on what motivated Premier Philippe Couillard to back down from his earlier hardline stance on education reform which saw the education minister's portfolio change hands several times. "He saw that after three ministers of education he was still not going anywhere. He didn't have a clear idea of what he wanted to do.

"You must remember that during the last electoral campaign, he was against our proposals," he continued. "So he changed his mind to focus on CAQ's proposals about decentralization, but he still doesn't know what to do. It's improvisation in education. It doesn't make sense. I was minister of education for three years in a row, but now for the last two years we've had three ministers of education in a row. This is not good for our children."

Laval Caquiste Skeete wades in

Christopher Skeete, a Laval resident who ran for the CAQ in 2014 in Fabre and who is currently vice-president of the CAQ's western Quebec political association, said the government's emulation of CAQ ideas "is just another example of them copying everything that we propose.

"And what's really funny this time is that they're copying us less than a week after," he added. "What really matters to us is that the right policies get put into place and we're just happy to make sure that we can deliver for the kids. We're not worried about who gets the credit. We know that people are aware that they're our ideas and we're the ones who are proposing them in the first place."

When announcing during the QLP's recent party convention the government's intention to drop Bill 86, Premier Couillard also mentioned that he felt the province's English-language school boards were a model of governance that should be looked at as an example by all in the sector. Legault agreed with that assessment.



Christopher Skeete, right, the CAQ's vice-president for western Quebec, joined other party supporters in Saint-Eustache last week to hear CAQ leader François Legault, left, speak.

"I've been saying that for a long time," said Legault. "We see that success rates are higher on the English side. But I would also suggest to Mr. Couillard to see what's happening in the Jewish community. In the 10 or 12 schools of the Jewish community in Quebec, the diploma rate is 99 per cent. Why is that? Because it's a question of valuing education, it's a question of decentralization also."

Vehicle registration surtax

On another topic, Legault said the CAQ is aiming to win all provincial ridings in Montreal's North Shore region as well as in the Lower Laurentians in the Quebec general election in the fall of 2018. If the CAQ does indeed succeed in augmenting its share in ridings where the PQ currently holds sway, some of it may be the result of recently implemented Liberal policies in transportation and public transit, which could end up impacting the common man's pocketbook.

Last week, as the finishing touches were put on Bill 76, the ruling Liberal government's legislation to even the field in greater Montreal for the allocation of public transit services while determining who should pay the cost, the CAQ pointed out that the law will force drivers who live on the North Shore to pay a punitive \$45 surtax on their usual vehicle registration fee.

A disincentive to drive

The surcharge is a disincentive to North Shore residents for using the car and an incentive for ditching the vehicle and switching to public transportation. In the 2014 provincial election, the CAQ gained four seats to rise from 18 to 22 ridings in the National Assembly. It remains to be seen if the vehicle registration issue will change anything at the ballot box in the 2018 general election.

"When we look at the surveys we are consistently rising," said Legault. At the same time, he pointed out that there's a "dissatisfaction" with the government "that doesn't stop going up." All in all, according to Legault, the province's voters aren't interested in Quebec sovereignty. "But what they need to understand is that we are the alternative – not the Liberal Party," he said.



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Laval facility of Heroux-Devtek Recognized by Lockheed Martin

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Production contract for door uplock systems extended for two additional years

Marketwired - - Héroux-Devtek Inc. a leading international manufacturer of aerospace products, today announced that its Laval, Quebec facility, which manufactures a door uplock system for the F-35 program, has received an important recognition of its performance by Lockheed Martin Aeronautics in Fort Worth, Texas. The award recognizes the exceptional quality and on-time delivery of Héroux-Devtek's products for the F-35 program from the Laval facility. The award is given to the top 25 suppliers out of approximately 1,200.

Héroux-Devtek also extended its current agreement with Lockheed Martin for the production of the F-35 door uplock systems at the Laval facility. This contract covers deliveries

in calendar years 2017 and 2018 for the LRIP 9 and 10 production lots. The door uplock systems were designed and qualified by Héroux-Devtek's engineering team under a contract signed in 2004 and have since been produced by the Corporation for all F-35 variants.

"Héroux-Devtek is proud to be recognized by Lockheed Martin for its exceptional performance, which reflects the talent and dedication of our employees. Our team recognizes the importance of the F-35 program for both organizations and is firmly committed to achieving success. This program allowed Héroux-Devtek to develop a unique expertise in our field and we see additional opportunities on this program in the future," said Martin Brassard, Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer of Héroux-Devtek.

Quebec allots \$303,000 for Ste-Rose-de-Lima church repairs

Stonework and other repairs to take place this summer

(TLN) Sainte-Rose Liberal MNA Jean Habel has announced a grant of \$303,027 from the Quebec government for restoration and repair work to be conducted at Église Sainte-Rose-de-Lima in Laval's Sainte-Rose neighbourhood.

Religious heritage

"Religious heritage is an important witness to the evolution of Quebec society," Quebec Culture and Communications Minister Hélène David said in a statement. "Its conservation is essential in order to favour a better interpretation of the contributions of our predecessors."

"By giving out financial aid to ensure the maintenance of these infrastructures, our government wants to ensure they are preserved so that they can be passed on to future generations," she added.

Habel said he was very pleased to see major restoration work about to begin on the church to ensure the continuation of a magnificent building. "Whoever has entered this place has left impressed by the beauty of this heritage building," he said. "It is thus part of our duty to make the necessary efforts so that this unique church is kept in a good state."

Conducted in phases

According to the provincial government, the work at the church will be conducted in two phases. The first will see the stonework on the north and north-west sides of the church repointed. A second phase involving restoration



of a covered structure adjoining the church on the west side will take place over the course of this summer.

"We are pleased to announce the beginning of the restoration work on our church," said church pastor Michel Bouchard. "I would like to thank the government of Quebec for its financial assistance."

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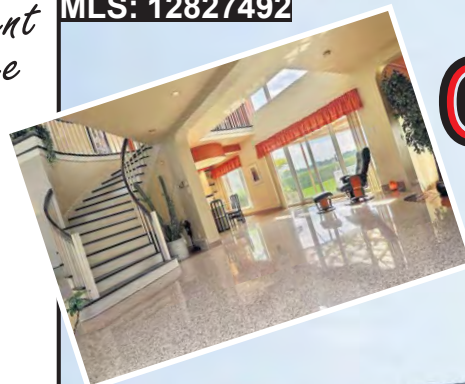
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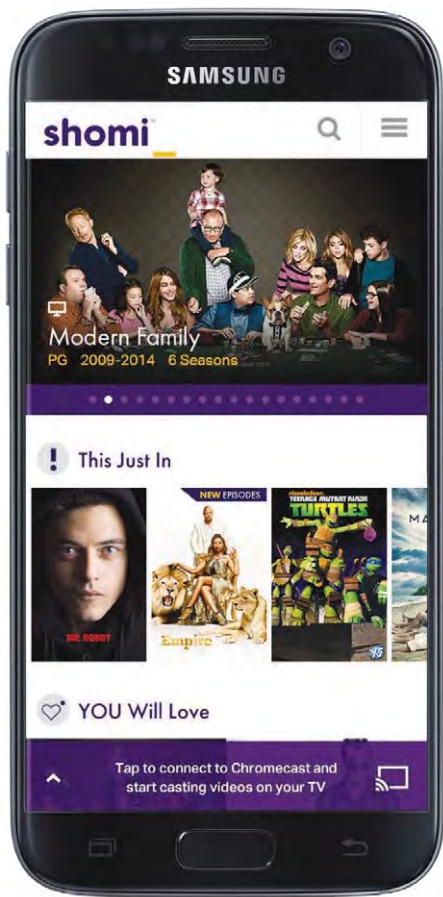


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All terraces are now smoke-free

New measures also prohibit smoking in a car with anyone under 16-years-old present

Smoking on Quebec's terraces are history since Thursday.

The government is tightening its smoking laws and it's not just terraces that are now smoke-free areas.

Here's what you need to know about Quebec's beefed up anti-smoking measures:

1. Smoking banned on terraces...and elsewhere

The new measures take aim at second hand smoke, especially in the presence of young people. Under the new rules, smoking is prohibited in the following places: On commercial patios, including bars and restaurants. In cars when someone under the age of 16 is present. In the common areas of residential buildings of two to five housing units. Near playgrounds, campgrounds and sports fields. And, as always, near daycares, preschools, elementary schools and high schools.

2. Can I smoke an e-cigarette on a commercial terrace?

No. The new measures also include electronic cigarettes. E-cigarette smoking is prohibited in the same locations as cigarettes.

3. How will the new smoking ban be enforced?

Quebec's health ministry says its inspectors will visit businesses and can give fines. Provincial police can also issue tickets, and municipalities can choose to have their own police officers issue tickets as well. It's up to business owners to put up no-smoking signs and tell clients they can't light up on the terrasse.

4. How much are the fines?

Fines for smoking in a prohibited place now range from \$250 to \$750 for



first-time offenders and \$500 to \$1,500 for repeat offenders. Both the smoker and the business owner would be fined: Individual: 1st-time offender: \$250 to \$750, Individual: repeat offender: \$500 to \$1,500

Businesses: 1st-time offender: \$500 to \$12,500, Businesses: repeat offender: \$1,000 to \$25,000

Dangers of second-hand smoke

The act was passed last November with new measures coming into effect every few months until Nov. 2017.

The stricter anti-smoking measures come on the heels of Quebec Premier Philippe Couillard saying last year that the reduction of smoking rates in the province plateaued in 2007.

"I think we must make further progress, and one way to do that is to act on second-hand smoke — exposure of people to smoke, especially children," Couillard said.

James Repace, a consultant who submitted a report to the Quebec committee on the issue in September 2015, has said the effects of second-hand smoke from one cigarette can be felt from up to 13 metres away.

Smoking on its way out

Quebec banned smoking in public places like offices, restaurants, cafés and bars in May 2006.

Currently, there is a nine-metre smoke-free radius around doors at social service institutions like hospitals and schools. But this November, smoking within nine metres of any opening door or window, on private or public property, will be banned.



Fabre MNA Monique Sauvé sums up her first six months in office

(TLN) On May 25, Fabre Liberal MNA Monique Sauvé made a statement summing up her first six months since being elected in a by-election. In a video posted on her Facebook site (www.facebook.com/Monique.Sauve.fabre/videos), she speaks about her experiences and commitments. Premier Philippe Couillard, who stands beside her, praises Sauvé for her hard work as the elected representative for Fabre.

Meeting commitments

Sauvé speaks about the 10 commitments she took during her campaign. "During my election, I wished to put into place 10 concertation tables consisting of citizens and partners in our community in order to find solutions and to work towards the realization of each of my commitments," she said. According to Sauvé, four of the concertation tables have so far been created.

For his part, Couillard noted the important role Sauvé plays within the Liberal caucus. "I am very happy to be able to count on your determination in the midst of our governmental team," he tells her. "You always had at heart to be able to help your fellow citizens to bloom in their environment. We are proud that you are doing so as an MNA for the past six months."

New concertation tables

In a statement, Sauvé's riding office noted that concertation tables for local producers, as well as for flood zones, local businesses and for cultural communities have already been launched. They said Sauvé wishes to further develop her knowledge of the different aspects, leading towards further discussions and solutions.

They said that Sauvé hopes to further solidify her links with the various organizations and groups in her riding as well as with individual residents. Sauvé will be attending various public events and functions throughout the coming summer and invites her constituents to send her feedback.



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City program lets you see a tree grow as your child ages

Parents invited to register for 'One child, one tree'

(TLN) The City of Laval wishes to remind residents who are parents that there is still time to register a child in the program Un enfant, une arbre (One child, one tree) in order to receive a Canadian shadbush tree that will grow along with your young one. Those interested have until June 10 to register.

Trees important in Laval

"The City of Laval puts the management of its green spaces at the heart of its priorities," Mayor Marc Demers says of the program. "The program Un enfant, une arbre illustrates this desire to turn out city into somewhere healthy and where it's good to live.

"We are highlighting the joyous event which is a birth or an adoption while contributing to the embellishment of our city and creating a positive impact on the health of citizens," he continued. "This is a gift for all residents of Laval and for generations to come."

Registration is mandatory

To qualify for the program, it is necessary to be a Laval resident, to have parented or adopted a child between June last year and June 1, 2016, and to present a proof of birth and residency

(birth certificate, health insurance card or other attestation) when the trees are handed out.

Please note that registration is mandatory and must be done promptly since quantities of trees are limited. An online application can be found at www.laval.ca (link Citoyens/Environnement, recyclage et collectes/Arbre/ Programme Un enfant, un arbre) and can be submitted by e-mail. Applications can also be made by telephone at 450 978-6888, local 5249 (Mrs. Sarah Jourdain). The trees will be presented on Sunday June 12 at Laval city hall.

Libraries also taking part

The Laval public library system is also taking part in the program through its own version, Une naissance, un livre (One birth, one book). Those taking part receive a gift package that includes a CD of music, a hardbound book from Dominique publishing and a sample copy of the magazine Enfants-Québec.

It's been more than a decade since the libraries have been taking part. Parents can present themselves at their local branch of the library network beginning in mid-June to pick up their gift package. Quantities are available until they run out. Advance registration isn't necessary.



From the left, the president of the UMQ and mayor of Sherbrooke Bernard Sévigny, Laval assistant city manager for administration Carole Imbeault, Laval city councillor for Marigot Daniel Hébert, Laval strategic dossiers manager Manon Bernard, ENAP project coordinator Linda Caron, Laval city manager Serge Lamontagne and UMQ jury member Pierre Prévost.

City of Laval wins UMQ award after major reorganization

(TLN) The City of Laval won an Ovation Award for human resources, management and contract operations during the recent annual gathering of the Union des Municipalités du Québec (UMQ).

In November 2014, a partnership between Laval and the École nationale d'administration publique (ENAP) was formed to study and research the general reorganization of the City of Laval's administration. The report on the endeavour was judged by the UMQ awards committee to be worthy of an Ovation Award.

ENAP study

"When we were reorganizing our administration, we sought out input from experts in order to get a critical examination of our work," said Mayor Marc Demers. "It turned out to be a good decision and the city has become an example to be followed as a result.

"Above being a revision of ways to do things, it's also a change of culture that was introduced," he added. "More important, though, our goal is to give confidence back to our citizens and to our employees. From what I see, that's what this award is all about."

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Nicolas Macrozonaris is training a new generation of sprinters

Costa Blidjios and Praise Omogbai are 'phenomenal athletes,' says ex-Olympian

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If you were training in track and field either for self development or for the more serious purpose of one day competing in the Olympics, wouldn't it be nice knowing that your trainer is one of the top three sprinters Canada ever produced?

Six years after retiring from competition, Chomedey-born Olympian Nicolas Macrozonaris – who became the third-fastest Canadian in history behind sprinting legends Bruny Surin and Donovan Bailey – is training a new generation of sprinters out of his Finalpush Athletics Track Club which meets at the Claude Robillard Sports Complex in Montreal.

The making of a sprinter

Since Nicolas' mentor and agent was Surin himself, who won the gold for Canada in the 4x100-metre relay at the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games, there's every reason to believe that Nic – who competed in two Olympics and in 2003 managed to beat then-world sprinting record holder Tim Montgomery – will be giving back to the sports community by helping raise two highly promising sprinters to the best they can achieve.

Nicolas's top two protégés are Costa Blidjios, a 60-meter junior provincial champion, and Praise Omogbai, a 60-meter and 200-meter juvenile provincial champ. Both are western Laval residents. They went to provincial indoor championships held in Sherbrooke earlier this year where, according to Nicolas, "they competed with the best in the province" and won.

Inspiring athletic excellence

While they're both Quebec champions now, Nic describes Praise as "amongst the best in the country right now in her age category. Both are phenomenal athletes. Both are extremely hard workers. I feel that sometimes working so hard for such long periods of time just gives them more and motivation to go further. That's why I'm glad to share the news about them to hopefully inspire other young kids in our region and our communities towards athletic excellence."

Praise, 13, a grade-eight student at Laval Junior Academy, is a double gold medalist having won medals in provincial 60-meters and 200-meters sprinting events, while Costa, 18, and a second-year student at Montreal's Vanier College, is a 60-meter champion in his

age category.

Before deciding to concentrate on sprinting, Costa played high school football for five years. Prior to that he trained in martial arts. Nicolas Macrozonaris was the catalyst who ignited Costa's zeal first for track and field and then for sprinting.

Training with the best

"I hadn't even thought about track and field until I met Nic and he asked me to come train with him," he said. "I don't think I could have found a coach that was any better than Nic. I mean he's been there, he's done that so he really knows his stuff."

Praise started to acquire her taste for track and field at an earlier age than Costa, albeit with some reluctance at first. "When I was in grade five and six I was part of a track team, but I wasn't really serious about it, I didn't really like it," she said. Then her parents began encouraging her "and I started liking it more and more."

In addition to her sprinting interest she also plays basketball at Laval Junior Academy and has proven to be fairly proficient at longjump. "I think Nic has really helped me to improve more and more," she said of her trainer. "I've gotten faster. The training really helps."

Surmounting challenges

Nicolas described how Costa first had to surmount challenges before he could succeed. "When he went to the provincial championships where it all counts and they give out all the medals, that's where he was able to execute and run the best race of his life." Costa agreed that faced with reality, it was at the provincials that everything he'd done leading up to the moment finally connected.

Nicolas described Praise as an athlete who has worked "very consistently and very hard and she's very cerebral as an athlete. She understands quickly. There's a saying, 'Learn fast or get left behind quick.' She understands quickly what needs to be done. She started off with good times and continuously has worked hard to become faster and faster." According to Nic, Praise competed at the provincials with girls three years older and finished a highly respectable third despite the age difference.

Some notable improvements

Since training with Nicolas, Costa's time in 60 meters has gone from 7.77 secs. to 7.23. "In the world of running that's a big improvement," said Nic. For her part, Praise started off the



current season at 8.30 secs in 60 meters and has dropped to 7.79, which her trainer calls "a huge improvement." For the record, Nic's 60-metre personal best, set in Montreal in 2002, was 6.56 secs.

While Costa's sprinting dreams are fairly modest (he wants to make the McGill University track and field team) while studying medicine at McGill at the same time, Nic said about Praise, "I think she has potential to do very, very well

at the international level." Looking far ahead, she's considering medicine as a possible career choice.

What Nic always tells his protégés is that "school is a priority. If they can use the sport to experience things in life, great. But I feel that they both have a bright future in academics, but also in athletics. Athletics is temporary, but education will be with them for the rest of their lives."

A refreshing summer in Laval pools

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This summer, Laval pools will be held twice week for young, water polo lessons. During the summer, besides lessons offered to discover this sport, there will be competitions among pools and a aquatic final weekend of the end of the season.

Registration is started. There are two possible groups: mini-polo (7-13 years old) and water polo (13-17years old). Classes will be held from July 11 to August 12.

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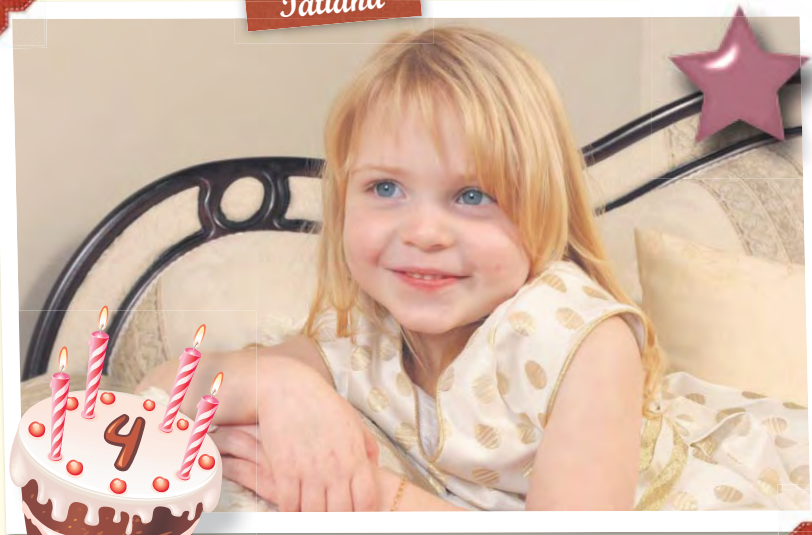
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His Way

You have never met anyone like my father. He is an entrepreneur who is into construction, real estate and other ventures. He has more companies than I have pairs of underwear. He has a guy working for him who is there just to smooth over employees and to rehire the guys my father didn't mean to fire.

My mom was a college basketball player and track star. Right after graduation she finds out she is pregnant with me. Dad was 26 and already had a kid. His perfectionist ways were just too much for her, and they divorced when I was four and my sister was two.

Any talk about girl stuff just got a blank stare from my father. Most women can understand why their mother fell in love with their dad. I can't.

I wrote him a Father's Day essay and it had to be corrected. My father and I had weekly meet-

ings that had a boardroom feel to them, and I had to discuss my objectives for the week.

I have a half-brother, five years older, from the woman my dad never married. He says my brother can't find his ass with both hands. He calls my sister an idiot and is surprised she can drive herself to school and find the building. According to him I am his only kid who is "worth a damn."

My dad would not let me participate in school sports when I lived with him. He said I was a mediocre talent at best, and he was not going to waste time watching kids play sports. For him it's pro sports or nothing.

My dad gives me a gas card and has rental income from a property hitting my account. But nothing for college tuition. He said to earn scholarships, which I have.

Recently I suffered a hairline ankle fracture.

Direct? Answers

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I called my dad. He asked if I had my insurance card and then told me he had to go. He had a meeting. He just hung up!

I was like damn! What's up with my dad? Is there any way to make a connection with him?

Annette

Annette, children don't control how their parents will parent them. Parents will parent based on who they are. Why isn't this cornstalk full of cantaloupe? It just isn't.

The difference between your mom and your dad is this. If you've been hurt, your dad will ask if you have a box of Kleenex and then hang up. Your mom will bring a box of Kleenex and cry with you. The roles won't reverse.

If he didn't think you were smart, you would be in the same boat as your siblings. If he really, really wanted to change, he might be able to change a little. If he had a really,

really good therapist, he might make some small improvement in his personality.

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To answer your question ("What's up with my Dad?") he's just who he is. That is not a reflection on you or anything you are doing. It is just who he is.

Wayne & Tamara



Laval couple put behind bars for sexually assaulting foster children

Jacques Laporte, wife Micheline Charland Laporte also presented with new charges

A Laval man has been sentenced to 10 years and his wife has been sentenced to eight years in prison for sexually and physically abusing their foster children.

Jacques Laporte, 76, and his wife Micheline Charland Laporte, 71, pleaded guilty in March to sexually abusing two sisters over a period of nearly 15 years during the 60s and 70s.

One of the girls, who cannot be named because the assaults happened when she was a minor, was sexually assaulted from the time she was nine until she was 20.

The court heard the victim offered to accept more assaults from Laporte and his wife in order to spare her younger sister from abuse. The couple refused.

The assaults happened almost weekly.

After hearing impact statements today,



Quebec Court Judge Gilles Garneau said no sentence would alleviate the victims' pain and trauma.

Laporte has already served 30 months in prison for assaulting a boy in his care in the 80s.

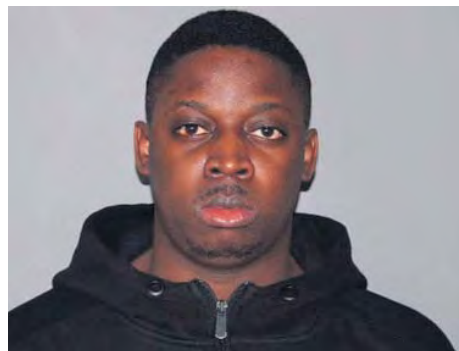
Police Seek Other Victims of Alleged Pimp

May 16 – Last month, on April 4, Laval police arrested 22-year-old Laval resident Jean-Louis Kouadio on six charges, including human trafficking of a person under the age of 18, obtaining material benefit from sexual services, and assault. Kouadio was being investigated for allegedly convincing minors to work for him as prostitutes, and police suspect there may be more victims out there.

The LPD issued a release stating: "The investigation revealed that Kouadio had several victims in Laval and Montreal. These victims were brought to other provinces in Canada to work as prostitutes, between August 2015 and April 2016."

According to police, Kouadio does not have a prior criminal record in this province. On April 8, Kouadio entered a not-guilty plea to the six charges and was released, with a deposit of \$500 as a bond. He is scheduled to return to court on July 7.

Anyone who was a victim, or knows someone who was, is asked to contact the LPD via the confidential info-line at 450-662-INFO (4636) and to mention the file number, LVL 150913-056.



Laval police seek potential victims of alleged pimp Jean-Louis Kouadio.

LPD Blood Drive

May 24 – The LPD is asking Laval residents to roll up their sleeves and donate blood on Tuesday, June 7th during their annual blood drive for Héma-Québec. Donors can make their

way to the police department located at 2911 Boul. Chomedey. The blood drive clinic will be set up in the cafeteria between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. For more information, call 450-662-4242.

Drug Bust Nabs 4 in Pont-Viau, L-D-R

May 18 – Police officers executed search warrants at three Laval residences at 5 a.m. last Wednesday morning following an investigation that began in January with information received via the LPD info-line. Four arrests were made – two men, 32 and 38, and two women, 20 and 23. Three more suspects are still being sought.

During the searches at 385 and 509 Saint-Hubert St. in Pont-Viau, and at 294 Boul. de la Concorde Ouest in Laval-des-Rapides, police seized contraband cigarettes, magic mushrooms, 250 grams of cocaine, 500 grams of cannabis, 200 pills, and nearly \$5,000 in cash.

Invitation from LPD: Be part of The Hero's Journey – An Obstacle Course Fundraiser for Quebec Special Olympics

The LPD is proud to announce the first edition of The Hero's Journey, an obstacle-course fundraising activity for the Quebec Special Olympics, will take place at Centre de la Nature on June 12th, and everyone is invited to participate.

Those who want to take part in the event must form a team of four participants and raise \$500 (per team – money will be donated to QSO). Each team will be matched with a Quebec Special Olympics athlete and every participant will receive a shirt and surprise gift bag.

The course will comprise of about 20 obstacles and should last between 45 and 90 minutes. This activity is designed to be accessible for most everyone with a minimum fitness level. More information is available at www.parcoursdesheros.com.

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JAMAL FORTIN-ASSAF.

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CHOMEDEY Spacious home ideal for large family with extension in back. Living/Dining room, large kitchen with oak cabinets and dinette, 4 season solarium, 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, 2nd kitchen in basement as well as good size playroom and laundry room. Large lot of over 6000SF excellent location close to many services!!!

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JUST LISTED CHOMEDEY Large duplex with bachelor and double garage in a very desirable area of Chomey close to services such as public transport, schools, churches, shopping and parks. Well maintained throughout the years. Priced to sell!!!

SOLD



IN MEMORIAM & OBITUARIES

ALEXOPOULOS, Dina
1937-2016

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Dina Alexopoulos, on May 20, 2016. She is survived by her loving husband Dimitrios, she will be greatly missed by her children Sandra & Angelo Paradisis and Vivian & Sam Maltezos and grandchildren Maria, Peter, Christina and Diana. May she rest in peace.



ARMANIOUS, Karim
1953 - 2016

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Karim Armanious on May 19, 2016 at the age of 62. He leaves to mourn his wife Maria Grazia Lizzi, his son Éric, his sisters Lauris (Samy), Angel (Alex), Lily (Joe), Claire (Nabil), Susan (George) and his brother Samir (Marie). He will also be sadly missed by his father-in-law Giovanni Lizzi, his sister-in-law Alty (Joe), his brothers-in-law Renato, Antonio, nephews and nieces, relatives and friends.

BLIGOURAS, John
1932-2016

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of John Bligouras, surrounded by his family on May 17, 2016 at the age of 83. Survived by his loving wife, Helen. He will greatly missed by his children Maria (Dennis), Zissis (Dimitra), Catherine (Spiro) and his 8 grandchildren; Constantina, Nicoletta, Nikki, John, Alexander, Michael, John and Christopher. He also leaves behind many loving nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

CARBONE, Angelo
1921 - 2016

Angelo Carbone March 21, 1921 - May 10, 2016 Passed away peacefully on May 10, 2016. He is predeceased by his wife Domenica Di Fruscia and will be sadly missed by his children Carmine (Lydia) and Jane (Alan); his grandchildren Cathy (Gerry), Nancy (Gianni), Lisa (Pat), Joey (Pina); his great-grandchildren Lucas, Lily, Anthony and Elisa; his brothers and sister.



CHAN CHUN KONG, Paul
1934 - 2016

On May 8, 2016, in Montréal, Paul Chan passed away at the age of 81 years. Aside from his wife, Marie-Claire, he leaves to mourn his children, Laval (Joyce), Isabelle (Kris), Marie F. (Ralph), Ariane (Sam), his grandchildren: David, Kevin, Daniel, Éric, Sabrina, Stéphanie, Karen, Melissa, Justin, Emma, Andrew, as well as many other relatives and friends. Paul was a tenacious man who appreciated family and hard work before anything. He was an astute entrepreneur who, because of his hard work, had many successful business ventures. He battled cancer in the same manner that he lived his life - never giving up and always doing things differently. Paul was so proud of his children and grandchildren, and he loved sharing his wisdom with them. The family wishes to thank Dr Michael Sebarg for the great care given over the last 8 years.



Corso, Rosa Maria
1962 - 2016

After a brief but courageous battle with cancer, we are saddened to announce the passing of our dear mother, life partner, sister and friend. Loved by all, she will forever be remembered for her kindness and loving nature. She brought so much light with her warm smile and positivity. We are heartbroken to have lost such an inspirational woman and mother; this world will not be the same without her. Her spirit will live on in those who knew her best. Beloved daughter of (late) Carmela and Alfonso Corso, devoted mother of Stefanie and Michael Brodeur, spouse of Paul Cade, father of her children Marc Brodeur and sister of Joe Corso, as well as many family and friends.

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G | 2 hrs 28 mins | Action-Science Fiction |



After the events of Avengers: Age of Ultron, another international incident involving Captain America and the Avengers results in collateral damage, prompting politicians to form a system of accountability and a governing body to determine when to call in the Avengers, which results in the fracturing of the team into two opposing factions—one led by Captain America who wishes to operate without regulation, and one led by Iron Man who supports government oversight—while they attempt to protect the world from a new enemy.

NEIGHBORS 2: SORORITY RISING
13+ | 1 hr 32 mins | Comedy |



Returning stars Seth Rogen, Zac Efron and Rose Byrne are joined by Chloë Grace Moretz for NEIGHBORS 2: SORORITY RISING, the follow-up to 2014's most popular original comedy. Nicholas Stoller again directs in a film that follows what happens when the will of parenthood goes against the bonds of sisterhood.

THE ANGRY BIRDS MOVIE
G | 1 hr 37 mins | Animation |



In this paradise, Red (Jason Sudeikis, We're the Millers, Horrible Bosses), a bird with a temper problem, speedy Chuck (Josh Gad in his first animated role since Frozen), and the volatile Bomb (Danny McBride, This is the End, Eastbound and Down) have always been outsiders. But when the island is visited by mysterious green piggies, it's up to these unlikely outcasts to figure out what the pigs are up to.

X-MEN: APOCALYPSE 3D
13+ | 2 hrs 27 mins | Action-Science Fiction |



Professor X (James McAvoy) and Raven (Jennifer Lawrence) lead a team of young X-Men to stop the immortal mutant Apocalypse (Oscar Isaac) from destroying mankind.

MONEY MONSTER
13+ | 1 hr 35 mins | Drama-Crime |



In the real-time, high stakes thriller Money Monster, financial TV host Lee Gates (George Clooney) and his producer Patty (Julia Roberts) are put in an extreme situation when an irate investor (Jack O'Connell) takes over their studio.

ALICE THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS 3D
G | 1 hr 53 mins | Adventure |



Sequel to 2010's ALICE IN WONDERLAND. Alice returns to the whimsical world of Wonderland and travels back in time to save the Mad Hatter.

THE NICE GUYS
13+ | 1 hr 56 mins | Comedy |



Set in 1970s Los Angeles, down-on-his-luck private eye Holland March (Ryan Gosling) and hired enforcer Jackson Healy (Russell Crowe) must work together to solve the case of a missing girl and the seemingly unrelated death of a porn star. During their investigation, they uncover a shocking conspiracy that reaches up to the highest circles of power.

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for the week of May 29 to June 4, 2016

The luckiest signs this week: Cancer, Leo & Virgo



ARIES

The status quo can't hold for much longer and you make the necessary decisions in order to move forward. You put your fears and anxieties to the side so as to head in the right direction.



TAURUS

You discover you have new talents of an artistic nature, or you just have the urge to show some creativity. You also devote yourself to a cause close to your heart.



GEMINI

A small clean-out within your circle of friends is necessary. As the saying goes, short reckonings make long friends. Refrain from lending friends money, and you will maintain better relationships with them.



CANCER

You are entrusted with new and extremely challenging responsibilities at work or elsewhere. If you are looking for a job, you will find a position that offers a promising future.



LEO

The idea of a trip this summer seems to be taking shape. Don't skip the planning stage, even if time is running short. Lastly, taking some kind of training course is beneficial for you.



VIRGO

Your emotions are running high for one reason or another. A move or a job change allows you to achieve a big dream.



LIBRA

Your emotional life takes up a lot of your thoughts this week. Some projects are stressful; they symbolize commitment, and perhaps you are not yet ready to take that step.



SCORPIO

You start a diet that is perfect for you. You attempt to set up a home-based business, but you need to be patient before you earn any income.



SAGITTARIUS

Self-esteem is a very important element in the Zodiac's fire signs. You are more aware of your value, and your loved ones really appreciate you.



CAPRICORN

Your family has your undivided attention. You may also realize that you do not have much time before you move house. If that is the case, you may feel anxious.



AQUARIUS

You have lots to say for yourself. If you are concerned about something, you can shed your worries by confiding in a person who knows how to guide you.



PISCES

The solution to a financial or emotional concern you have comes to you in a flash of inspiration or a dream. Everything falls into place and you are able to see your way more clearly.

Coffee break

CROSSWORDS

PUZZLE NO. 821

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- Subways' kin
- Pull
- Summer drinks
- Aglow
- Control the realm
- Broth
- West of "Batman"
- Church officer
- Great skill
- Spent
- Naught
- Each part
- Attack!
- Slightest
- Bitter dispute
- Happy
- _____ it out (fight)
- Fearful
- Amigo
- Game cube
- Pecan, e.g.
- Tiny
- Humorous
- Butterflies' cousins

- Be next to
- Matter
- Coop seat
- _____ out (make do)
- Burrowing mammal
- Tot
- Cozy room
- Winter powder

- Excavate
- Fore-and-_____
- Flowered necklace
- Lid
- Tryout
- Go downhill
- Fit to a _____
- Kitchen alcove
- Thanksgiving vegetable

DOWN

- Measured tread
- Religious statue
- Pit's mate?
- Road curves
- Graceful tree
- Wilted
- Severe
- Uttered slowly
- Discourteous
- Sad exclamation
- Emeralds, e.g.
- Raw mineral deposits
- Grease
- Faulty item
- Daiquiri ingredient
- Scheduled
- Standards
- Is unable to
- Submit
- Cologne scent
- Birthday treat
- Angelic headlight
- Large number
- Commandment number

Sudoku

PUZZLE NO. 557

HOW TO PLAY :

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 only once.

Each 3x3 box is outlined with a darker line. You already have a few numbers to get you started. Remember: **You must not repeat the numbers 1 through 9 in the same line, column, or 3x3 box.**

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JOKES

A WIFE'S PATIENCE

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