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An American Goldfinch resident of the forest.

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Duclos warns of steep cuts



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Forever Green: Rosemère's Commitment to Grand Coteau Forest Preservation

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The Town of Rosemère has completed its final land acquisitions in the Grand Coteau Forest, securing nearly half a hectare of environmentally significant woodlands. This marks the conclusion of the town's efforts to preserve these natural spaces permanently, shielding them from real estate development.

The latest purchases, located on the southwest side of the forest, were made possible through contributions from the Gouvernement du Québec and the Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal (CMM), each providing \$5,727 toward the \$17,684 total cost. Rosemère invested \$6,230 of its own funds in the initiative.

This latest acquisition is part of a broader conservation effort that began in 2021, when the town purchased 13.1 hectares of woodland. In 2023, an additional seven hectares were secured with provincial and metropolitan support. In total, the town has conserved approximately 20.5 hectares of forest as part of the Trame verte et bleue du Grand Montréal, a network designed to protect natural environments and enhance green spaces across the



A rare sighting of an Indigo Bunting.

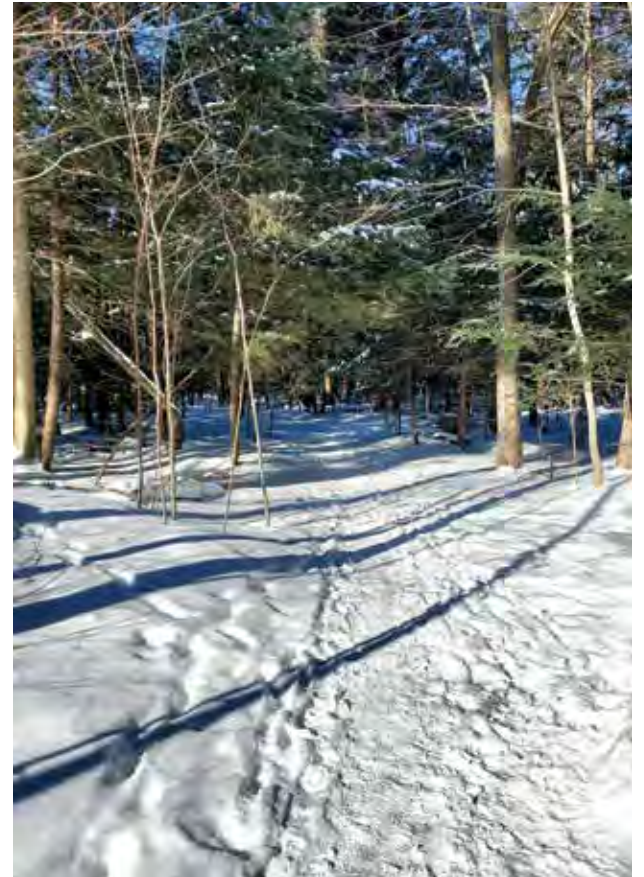
region. These acquisitions will further integrate into the Grand Coteau Forest Corridor, which extends from the agricultural lands of Mirabel to the peat bogs of L'Assomption.

Beyond environmental preservation, the acquisition of the Grand Coteau Forest carries significant civic importance. Green spaces like this provide residents with accessible natural environments that contribute to physical and mental well-being. Preserving these lands ensures that current and future generations will benefit from their ecological richness, offering opportunities for recreational activities such as hiking, birdwatching, and environmental education.

The move also reflects a broader commitment to sustainable urban planning. As cities face increasing pressure from urban sprawl and development, initiatives like these demonstrate the value of balancing economic growth with environmental responsibility. By securing these lands, Rosemère sets a precedent for municipalities seeking to integrate conservation efforts into their long-term planning.

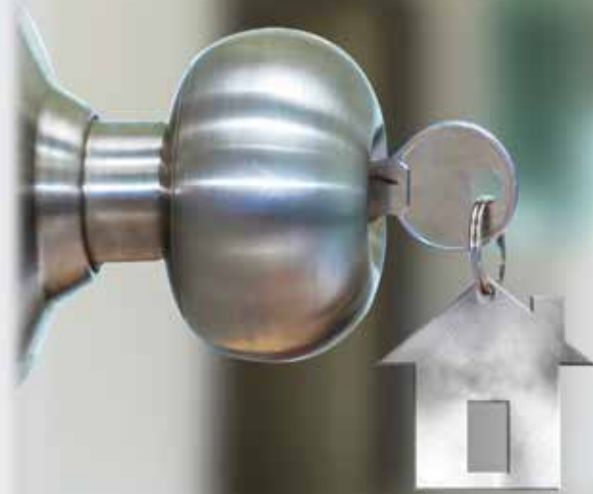
Government and municipal officials underscored the significance of these acquisitions. Quebec Finance Minister and Member for Groulx Eric Girard highlighted the importance of maintaining Rosemère's green spaces for public enjoyment. Valérie Plante, Chair of the CMM, pointed to the conservation efforts as crucial to meeting the goal of protecting 30% of the metropolitan area by 2030, while also enhancing climate resilience. Rosemère Mayor Eric Westram reaffirmed the town's commitment to safeguarding its section of the Grand Coteau Forest for future generations.

The Trame verte et bleue du Grand Montréal, funded by the CMM, the provincial government, and municipal administrations, aims to preserve natural habitats while promoting active transportation and mitigating climate change. The project contributes to regional biodiversity and quality of life, reinforcing Montreal's reputation as a sustainable urban environment. Rosemère's commitment to conservation demonstrates the role that small municipalities can play in broader environmental efforts, ensuring that nature remains an integral part of the urban landscape.



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Liberals' Duclos warns of steep cuts under a Poilievre government

Maintains dental coverage and affordable housing are threatened by Conservatives

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With the prospect of an early federal election more certain by the week, Jean-Yves Duclos, Minister of Public Services in the outgoing Trudeau cabinet, is warning that a Conservative government under Pierre Poilievre would almost certainly make deep cuts to programs introduced by the Liberals in the past nine years – including national dental care and access to affordable housing.

“Pierre Poilievre wants to take away dental coverage for millions of Canadians and leave you and your family without the health care you need and deserve,” Duclos said in an interview with *Newsfirst Multimedia* during a recent stop in Laval to attend a multicultural gathering.

Dental plan threatened, he says

The Liberal government's Quebec Lieutenant said Poilievre has gone on record several times trying to discredit the Canadian Dental Care Plan, which was adopted by the Liberals largely at the urging of the NDP minority opposition in Canada's parliament.

“Any time someone has asked him why he is against, he has said it is because it doesn't exist,” Duclos said, maintaining that Poilievre, driven by right-wing ideology, has also been known to refer the dental plan as a “communist” policy.

“So, this is very strange obviously for any sensible person to understand that language,” said Duclos. “But then it's part of the fake news argument: he pretends that people shouldn't register because it doesn't exist, and then because it doesn't exist, he says we can do without it – which is obviously completely false.”

He said that, to date, more than 3.1 million dental program applications have been approved, with one million in Quebec alone. As well, he said more than 1.3 million Canadians have received dental care through the plan. “More than 95 per cent of all dentist here in Quebec have used the program,” said Duclos. “For now, it is seniors and people under the age of 18. But, in 2025, we are expected to open the program to everyone.”

On affordable housing

On affordable housing, Duclos, who was the minister responsible for the Liberal government's first national housing strategy, maintained that since 2015 when the Trudeau government first came into office, the Liberals managed to build more than 50,000 units of affordable housing, paid for largely by the federal government.

He claimed that Pierre Poilievre, as the cabinet minister responsible for housing in the former Harper Conservative government, “built six in total for his whole mandate across the entire country.”

On the Liberal leadership

Regarding the Liberal leadership race, Duclos declined to say whether at this point he is supporting any particular candidate.

However, an outline of his thinking on the matter, furnished to *Newsfirst Multimedia* by a Liberal administration staff member, noted that Duclos has “said time and time again that the next leader of the party needs to be bilingual



and have the interest of all Quebecers at heart.”

Duclos acknowledged that by this definition, the field of suitably bilingual candidates becomes somewhat narrower. Of the two most prominent ones – Mark Carney and Chrystia Freeland – he noted:

“They are not perfectly bilingual, just as I am not perfectly bilingual. Perfectly bilingual Canadians are rare. But what matters is whether you are able to engage with Canadians in whatever language they use. That is absolutely essential.”

Impact of Trump presidency

Duclos said the Liberal government had long been preparing for the eventuality that Donald Trump would be re-elected as president of the U.S. “I would say that people want to be reassured,” he said.

He said the Liberal government “started in late winter, early spring 2024, since at that time there was a high probability that President Trump would be re-elected, so it was possible. And then it became probable that he would be re-elected. So given that, we had to reactivate our engagement work in the United States.”

Dismisses deficit worries

On the country's growing annual operating deficit – which currently stands at more than \$60 billion for 2023-24, compared to \$35.3 billion in 2022-23 – Duclos, who has headed the economics faculty at Laval University and has a PhD from the London School of Economics – maintained that the government's debt is nothing to become alarmed about.

“It isn't only the debt that matters – it's also the size of the economy,” he said, noting that Canada's economy has been assessed by the International Monetary Fund to be the second-fastest growing economy in 2026-27 after the U.S.

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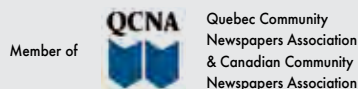
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OPINION & Editorial



THAT'S WHAT I'M THINKING

Robert Vairo



Tariffs should get us thinking differently

Canada has been acting like a poor country for the last ten years. It's not an accident that we have been led by a government that has wanted Canadians to think small. Members of cabinet and would-be leaders are disciples, in fact, some are board members of the World Economic Forum. The WEF used to be an impartial international think tank but has veered extremely left. Today, some call it "the mafia elite of the super-rich." Its credo is a world without borders. Picture the former Soviet Union. The purpose is not the creation of wealth but its redistribution. Canadian Armed Forces Lt-Col David Redman sounds the alarm when he says "Canada finds itself in a far worse situation across all areas of national security than we did in 2015, with the purpose of destroying and dissolving our Canadian identity." The retired Redman says it's not by accident that government has allowed China to infiltrate and influence our three governing levels.

There is no one to thank more for this catastrophic erosion in our pride and identity than this most divisive federal government. It was the newly elected prime minister who declared that Canada is not a sovereign country. It was a stunning statement to the New York Times in 2015, but in line with his beliefs and those of the World Economic Forum. He said, "there is no core identity, no mainstream in Canada. We are a post national state." No premier, no other Canadian leader stood and spoke against this treasonous verbiage. Perhaps we were too enamoured and blinded by the young man with different hair styles every six months, flashing his family brand while fresh off a winning knockout punch in the boxing ring. Our judgment became clouded enough to not realize the 2015 election results were going to lead us to a social, political, and economical quagmire. We are now only individuals, living in different geographical regions, from Newfoundland to British Columbia. The east was told to hate Alberta, despite it being

Canada's biggest revenue generator. It is the 'have province' that finances Québec's social programs and sustains our medical system in Canada. It is the province that produces the largest percentage of Canada's exports. Shouldn't we be thankful and grateful that Alberta is part of our Confederation?

Despite our love and dedication, Canada means little or nothing to many of us anymore. We sing our National Anthem before hockey games with no emotion nor conviction. Yes, at least men remove their caps for the national anthem, but only because long time and revered Habs announcer Michel Lacroix says so. The only other time is when Ginette Reno leads us into belting out O Canada at The Bell. Otherwise, we may as well be lip-syncing. We allow our Canadian maple leaf flag, that we once saluted and honoured, to be burned and ripped apart on our streets by terrorists, while police stand by and never make an arrest. We glorify terrorists who destroy our flag! Canada's kindness is no excuse to break our laws. We offer a beacon of hope to the world, but we have permitted and tolerated the importation of international conflicts to our streets.

Never have I come close to even dreaming of this happening in my country. For the last ten years Canadians have been told that we should be ashamed because of how bad and evil history has shown us to be. No one in that government at any time, has given Canadians any reason to feel proud of who we are. Yet we have so much to be thankful and proud of in wearing our maple leaf.

The federal Liberal government has allowed repeat criminals, who laugh at our justice system and smirk in triumph at police as they are released the day after being arrested. Not once, but it happens time after time after time. Canada's crime rate is 14% higher than the United States (Fraser Institute).

Chronic repeat offenders have to be left in prison. As citizens of this country, we need

to be protected from repeat offenders, knife wielding sidewalk terrorists, gun totting car jackers, home invaders, and gang warfare where innocent bystanders are shot or injured. This is what Canada has become.

We have allowed border free entry not only to illegal migrants but to banned guns and deadly drugs. More fatal drugs, especially fentanyl, are allowed into this country as never before. Over 49 thousand Canadians have died of opioid related deaths in the last ten years, according to Canada.ca. Let that sink in. While refusing to accept diversity of opinion, this government trumpets diversity as the strength of Canada. In fact, allowing diversity to flood this country has meant the importation of every worldly ethnic conflict, and the disappearance of our values.

So, who will lead us back to the country we once loved and cherished? Who will secure our borders not because an American president tells us to but because we are proud Canadians who want to protect our traditions, principles, and sovereignty? Who will insist on a code of conduct before becoming a resident of this country, making it illegal to disrespect and not abide by our values and customs? The possibility of deportation should be an inevitable consequence of unlawful behavior. Destroying or stomping on the Canadian flag should be a punishable offence. Who will stop Chinese, Russian, and Indian interference in our democratic system in municipal provincial and federal governments? Who will stand at the laboratory door and filter those who participate in our research and development?

Before we vote, Canadians must tolerate another demonstration of political arrogance, a leadership convention. Instead, an election should have been called on January 7th.

But for now, put aside the political bravado of a tariff war and fix our border. Tariffs should get us thinking differently.

We are so anxious and ready to elect true leadership when it is needed more than ever.

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Commitment That Shines, Naturally: Rosemère's 5th Honoured Citizen Awards

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ROSEMÈRE, January 24, 2025 – The Town of Rosemère is preparing to once again celebrate the dedication and achievements of its most outstanding citizens and organizations. This coming May, the 5th Honoured Citizen Awards ceremony will recognize individuals and groups whose contributions have significantly enhanced the quality of life in Rosemère or have helped promote the town beyond its borders.

Residents and organizations making a difference in the community are encouraged to be nominated for this prestigious honor. Whether through remarkable efforts in culture, community service, sports, science, education, or any of the other designated categories, their impact is invaluable. The nomination process is open until February 14, 2025, offering an opportunity for the public to put forward the names of those who exemplify exceptional dedication.

The Honoured Citizen Awards represent the highest form of recognition bestowed by the Town of Rosemère. Mayor Eric Westram emphasized the importance of this initiative, stating, "It is our great honor to shine the spotlight on the soul of Rosemère: its citizens, volunteers, and organizations whose

dedication and commitment make our town so radiant. This initiative recognizes those who stand out in a wide variety of fields and celebrates the commitment and outstanding achievements of our citizens, whatever their sphere of activity."

The categories for the awards include Culture, Environment, Youth, Technologies and New Media, Community, Humanitarian, Business, Posthumous Recognition, Sports, Education, and Science. Nominees must either be residents of Rosemère or part of a recognized organization based in the town. Moreover, they must have demonstrated outstanding commitment at the local, regional, national, or international level, distinguishing themselves through their influence and dedication.

A panel of judges will meticulously review all submissions to ensure that the recipients truly represent the prestige and values of the awards. Those wishing to honor an exceptional individual or organization are encouraged to submit their nominations before the deadline.

For more details on the nomination process, contact the Town of Rosemère at:
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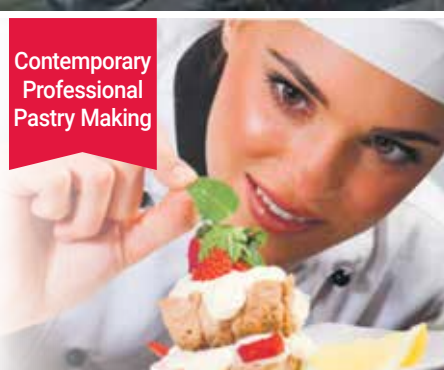
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Community Engagement and Youth Development: Spring Break Activities in Deux-Montagnes

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The 2025 municipal calendar is set to be distributed door-to-door by Canada Post by the beginning of next week. In the meantime, residents can access a digital version of the calendar on the City's website. Officials appreciate the public's patience and understanding as the distribution process takes place. The municipal calendar serves as an essential resource, keeping residents informed about community events, initiatives, and civic responsibilities throughout the year.

As part of this year's efforts to foster community engagement and youth development, a skateboarding and scooter workshop will take place on Wednesday, March 5, providing children and youth with an opportunity to explore these action sports. The event, led by the experienced TAZ team, aims to introduce participants to the fundamentals in a fun and dynamic setting, while also promoting an active and healthy lifestyle.

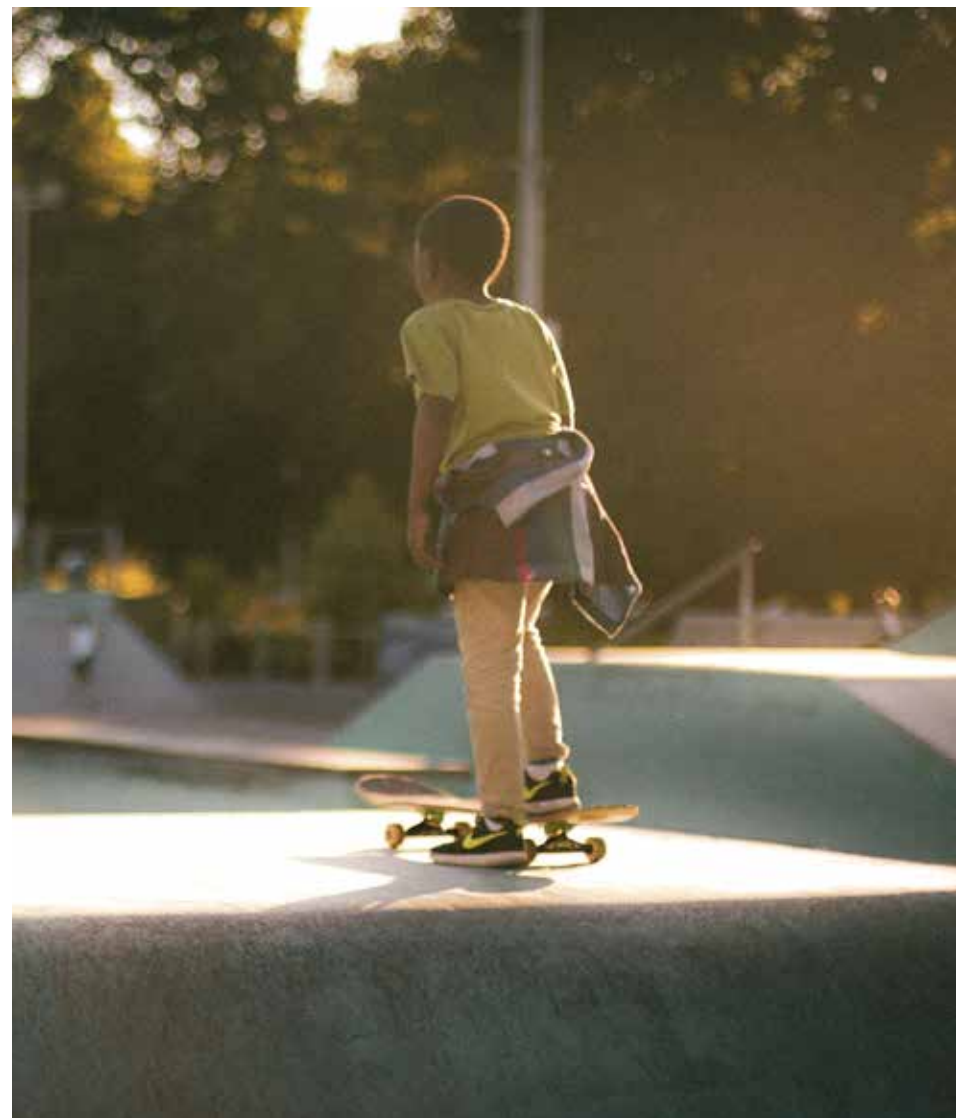
By providing a structured and inclusive environment, the workshop not only encour-

ages physical activity but also reinforces values of perseverance, teamwork, and confidence. The initiative reflects the city's commitment to investing in programs that enhance the well-being of young residents and create opportunities for social interaction and skill-building.

The workshop is designed for both beginners and those looking to improve their skills. Experienced instructors will guide participants through essential techniques in a safe and engaging environment. Equipment will be available on-site for those without their own, though all attendees are required to bring their own helmets for safety reasons.

Registration for the event is available through the City's website under the "Inscriptions" section. Due to anticipated high demand, early registration is recommended.

With an emphasis on physical activity, civic engagement, and personal development, this Spring Break event promises to be a highlight of the seasonal calendar. By offering young participants an exciting and educational experience, Deux-Montagnes continues to reinforce the importance of accessible and meaningful community programs.



Golden Deeds: Boisbriand's Volunteers Recognized in Style



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On January 29, Mayor Christine Beaudette, accompanied by municipal councillors Lori Doucet, Maude Whittom, and Daniel Kaeser, had the honor of recognizing 17 dedicated residents of Boisbriand for their outstanding contributions to the community. These individuals, actively involved in various local organizations, were invited to sign the city's Golden Book as a token of appreciation for their commitment and service.

The honored volunteers represent several key community organizations, including

Services d'entraide Le Relais, Potager engagé, the Boisbriand branch of the Navy League of Canada, and the 1st Boisbriand Scout Group. Their involvement in these initiatives has had a profound impact on the well-being and development of the local community, reflecting values of generosity, engagement, and solidarity.

"On behalf of myself and the members of the municipal council, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to each volunteer who, day after day, actively participates in our community organizations. Through your dedication, kindness, and commitment, you make a real difference in the lives of many people," stated Mayor Beaudette during the ceremony.

The evening served as a celebration of volunteerism and a reminder of the vital role these individuals play in strengthening the social fabric of Boisbriand. The city proudly congratulated all the honorees, whose selfless efforts continue to enhance community life and provide valuable support to those in need.

Representing Services d'entraide Le Relais, the signatories included President Isabel Du Paul, Vice President Claude Cardinal, Treasurer Christine Gauthier, Secretary Dominique Gilbert, Administrator Bruno Legault, General Director Véronique Bouchard, and dedicated volunteers Micheline Levasseur, Micheline Paré, and Robert Schmitt. From Potager engagé, Andrée Courchesne and Stéfanie

Robitaille were recognized for their volunteer work. The Boisbriand branch of the Navy League of Canada was represented by France Pruneau, Luc Pellerin, and Yves Thériault. Meanwhile, the 1st Boisbriand Scout Group honored the contributions of Alexandra Schmitt, Alice Godin, Alyssane Leclerc, and Robert Schmitt.

This gesture of recognition highlights Boisbriand's commitment to fostering civic engagement and acknowledging the tireless efforts of those who dedicate their time and energy to enriching community life. The city continues to encourage volunteerism and community spirit, ensuring that such efforts remain at the heart of local development.

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A LONG SHOT

Q My husband and I have been married for three years, together for eight. We met in college. We have a set of twins 15 months old, and they are too much for him to handle, even though they are not a handful. They are great. They are happy babies.

We, on the other hand, are miserable. We've been separated for a month. I just found out he's been having an affair with a coworker on and off for the last six months. We already had enough problems, and now she's possibly pregnant with my husband's baby.

I feel betrayed, disappointed, and broken-hearted. He keeps telling me he's sorry, but he is unreliable—a pathological liar who likes to party with his friends. When he tells me he wants to prove he can be the man I need, I tell him he should have thought about that before straying.

It may sound like I'm making excuses for him, but I hope I'm not. He has emotional baggage from childhood. His mother raised him. She is an alcoholic, and during his first 10 years she was also into drugs. His mother always had to be with some man, and I think she failed to attach to my so-called husband during the most crucial years, birth to age five.

According to him, he was a scapegoat because he reminded her of his father. That's what his mother would say while she smacked him around. I feel like I have paid for all his baggage.

Does it make a difference if he gets professional help? A couple of weeks ago he obtained a referral for individual counseling. I can't help but wonder, if he is able to get himself straight, wouldn't it be worth it to move forward together, because we would then have 50-plus years of a healthy relationship?

Lily

A Lily, it's almost as if you are asking us to handicap a horse race. You've given us past

performance, running style, and track conditions, and you want us to let you know where to place your bet.

We would not deny anything you said about your husband's background. In the first few critical years of life, his mother did not attach to him, and as you know, kids with that background are likely to struggle with relationships all of their lives. Everything else about his home life was a horror as well.

That's a given, and as you say, you are paying for his baggage.

But the empathy you have for him as another human being is not the best guide for what you should do. His behavior, character, and habits have been formed almost in the same way you form a statue by pouring plaster of Paris into a mold. They can be changed only with great difficulty.

It's hard to take the familiar away from someone. It works for them. Chances are he won't change, and where will you be if you wait for him? It's like using the lottery as your retirement plan. Some people do win the lottery, but nearly everyone else is better off putting a little money aside each paycheck.

Change is a long, slow process. With his past history, counseling may be just another ploy. If he sees your threat to leave as toothless, he may go back to his old ways. In short, things will revert to the pattern of settle-her-down, do what I want, settle-her-down, do what I want, etc.

The problem with waiting for someone else to change is that your good efforts are likely to reap no reward. Your children will grow up and see no matter how good mom is, it doesn't get her anything. The other problem with therapy is this: if he changed his basic patterns of life, would he still want to be with you?

We have to remind you that long shots don't usually win.

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The event is open to both current participants and businesses considering joining the initiative. Organizers will present a detailed overview of how the campaigns function, the tools available for support, and strategies for optimizing success. Attendees will also have the chance to connect with fellow business owners, exchange ideas, and ask questions about the process.

The CCITB is known for its dynamic approach and commitment to fostering a strong local business community. It oversees several business divisions, including Aile Blainville, Aile Boisbriand, Aile Rosemère, Aile Sainte-Anne-des-Plaines, Aile Sainte-Thérèse, Aile Jeunesse, Aile Femmes en Affaires, and the Réseau Industriel. Additionally, as an affiliate of the Fédération des chambres de commerce du Québec (FCCQ), the CCITB offers businesses access to an extensive and influential network dedicated to economic development.

For businesses still evaluating their participation, this virtual session will provide a comprehensive breakdown of the campaign's objectives, requirements, and potential benefits. With local economies more interconnected than ever, initiatives like these are essential for building stronger business relationships and fostering sustainable growth.

Registration for this free online session is now open, and businesses are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to gain valuable insights and prepare for a successful campaign in 2025.

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February 11, 2025, from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Organized by the Chambre de commerce et d'industrie Thérèse-De Blainville (CCITB), the free event will provide essential insights into the benefits of participating in local purchase campaigns, best practices for success, and the latest updates introduced in this

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- ♉ TAURUS**
If you're going somewhere that's hard to find, precise directions will be essential to avoid wasting a lot of time. A GPS navigation app will be your best friend.
- ♊ GEMINI**
Nobody likes feeling deprived, but it can motivate you to seek solutions. You'll be ready to act once you figure out how to gain financial freedom.
- ♋ CANCER**
Exciting activities abound, bringing a whirlwind of commitments that will fill up your schedule. However, you'll skillfully organize all your tasks and meet all your deadlines.
- ♌ LEO**
A cold is often your body's way of telling you it's time to slow down and recharge. If you're feeling stressed, take some time to unwind with relaxation and meditation.
- ♍ VIRGO**
You'll be in a leadership role, and your team will look to you for guidance. You'll have plenty of opportunities to showcase your management skills. Embrace the position you've earned and assert your authority with confidence.
- ♎ LIBRA**
As you juggle family and professional commitments, you won't have much spare time or any time to devote to your own activities. You'll also have to organize professional or social gatherings.
- ♏ SCORPIO**
At work, your productivity will catch the attention of your superiors, who will feel compelled to offer you a raise to secure your longevity with the company. You'll have every reason to be proud!
- ♐ SAGITTARIUS**
You may be faced with existential questions this week, which may prompt you to seek a more enlightened outlook on life. In your relationship, loyalty and dedication are highly valued.
- ♑ CAPRICORN**
You'll find common ground with those around you after a conflict. Your wisdom will be crucial in this situation. Quick action will be needed to stop things from getting worse.
- ♒ AQUARIUS**
This week will be full of professional challenges. Set realistic expectations to ensure your success matches your efforts. Keep an eye out for potential friction with colleagues who may be jealous of your achievements.
- ♓ PISCES**
All the attention will be on you this week. You'll receive well-deserved praise for your amazing accomplishments. This will give your self-confidence a major boost.

Coffee Break

CROSSWORDS

PUZZLE NO. 273

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12			13				14			
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ACROSS

1. State further
4. Halt, to a horse
8. Bear's home
12. Misfortune
13. Beard material
14. Sad sigh
15. Long, skinny fish
16. Out of action
17. Cozy places
18. Float aimlessly
20. Eroded
22. Confederates, for short
25. Articles
29. Tooth trouble
32. Body of knowledge
34. Vote for
35. Certain fast-food orders
38. Serving of corn
39. Was in the red
40. Grape drinks
41. _____ rehearsal
43. You _____ what you

DOWN

45. Huck's friend
47. Fellows
51. Skillfully
54. "_____ the Woods"
57. Period of time
58. Amtrak travel
59. Part of speech
60. Feel ill
61. One of a pair
62. Fidgety
63. Youngster
19. Provided at no charge
21. Stadium part
23. Huffed and puffed
24. Grave
26. Black-_____ Susan
27. Insignificant
28. Back talk
29. Served perfectly
30. Scorch
31. This place
33. Unmannered
36. Mediocre: hyph.
37. Ogle
42. Method
44. Pain
46. Quarry
48. Shipshape
49. The Stooges, e.g.
50. Season
51. Chair part
52. Sheep sound
53. Kindled
55. Agree wordlessly
56. Yank

Sudoku

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.

5				7		4		
	2	3						9
1					7			
			5	4				7
8				2				
		3						
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2	6					8	9	
3	8		7		1	2		

PUZZLE NO. 966

Last Issue's Answers

CROSSWORDS

M	E	S	A		E	B	B	S		F	E	W
O	V	A	L		N	U	L	L		E	R	A
C	E	L	L		D	R	E	A	M	E	R	S
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C	O	O		L	U	T	E		E	A	V	E
T	O	N		S	P	E	D		D	R	A	M

Sudoku

3	4	2	5	6	9	7	8	1
1	7	6	8	3	2	9	5	4
8	5	9	7	4	1	6	2	3
6	8	5	9	1	3	4	7	2
7	3	4	6	2	5	1	9	8
9	2	1	4	7	8	3	6	5
4	6	8	1	5	7	2	3	9
2	9	7	3	8	4	5	1	6
5	1	3	2	9	6	8	4	7



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- Mushrooms (Canada)
- Zuchinis (2) (Mexico)
- Cucumber (Canada)
- Vine Tomatoes (3) (Canada)
- Beets (2lbs) (Canada)
- Avocados (2) (Morocco)
- Romaine (Mexico/Canada)
- Dates (Tunisia)
- Kiwis (3) (Greece)
- Sweets Oranges (3) (Egypt)
- Pineapple (Honduras)

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