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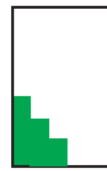
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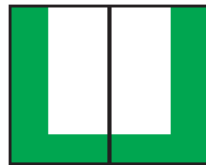


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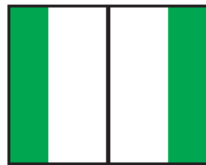


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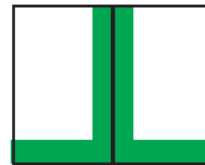
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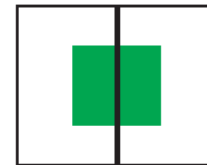
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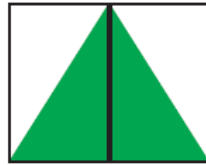
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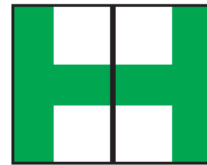
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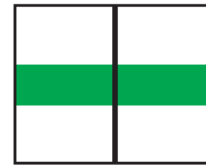
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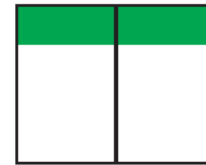
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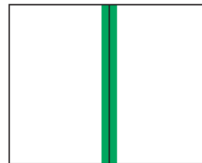
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EDITORIAL WRAP

General says troop shortage is hindering Afghanistan gains

Top NATO officer, a Canadian, says 'gaps' are being debated as alliance meets in Ottawa

BRUCE CAMPION-SMITH
OTTAWA—A shortage of NATO and Afghan forces on the ground in Afghanistan is hampering efforts to win and hold ground from insurgents, NATO's top military commander said.

Gen. Ray Henault, a Canadian who heads the alliance's military committee, acknowledged the trouble Canadian troops face recently in Kandahar region, where troops are fighting and doing to capture terrain they fought over last year.

"There is every intent in our case to make sure that we consolidate our gains," Henault said.

"We are aware of instances where we have not had sufficient troops in a particular region... to maintain those gains."

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He said both NATO military brass and political leadership are cohesively reminding nations of their responsibility "to provide the resources that are needed by the command to do his job on the ground."

Henault also stopped the ongoing domestic debate about the future of Canada's Afghan mission.

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"We have a mission, we have an agreement to ultimately hold the Afghan to develop their security forces and security mechanisms that will allow them to take their own security, make the jobs their own jobs," Henault said.

"There still is a role you can set on."

He said Canada has done "enormous leadership" in Afghanistan and hoped it would continue.

"It will be a Canadian issue, but we're certainly hopeful that Canada will find a way to continue operating in Afghanistan," he said.

But the alliance faces trouble in southern Afghanistan. Of the 28 NATO nations, only a handful of troops — Canada and the Netherlands — could pull out.

"We are seeing very good progress in all parts of Afghanistan, despite some of the tragic losses. But nonetheless we are making a difference... and we hope that all nations that are making that happen, and contributing, continue to do so," Henault said.

The meeting's participants include Gen. Rick Hillier, the Canadian chief of defence staff.

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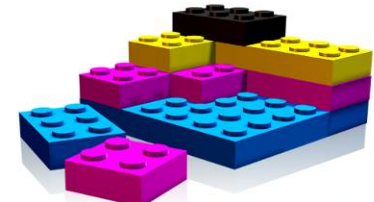
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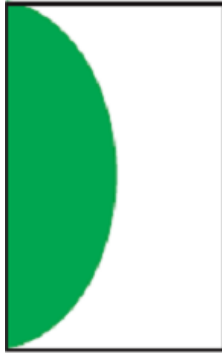
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Air force looking at 'significant' cost cuts

Defence insiders say cost of Afghan war, new equipment could lead to major overhaul next year

MURRAY BROWSTER

An official at National Defence headquarters confirmed the study is underway, but described it as a paper exercise, meant to give commanders a better sense of what is possible.

Jeremy Sabe said yesterday no final decision has been made.

"Every year this planning is conducted for all the aircraft fleets in order to provide operational commanders and senior management with an overview of the potential of the fleet and budget requirements, due to existing circumstances. The important thing to note here is that the safety of the aircraft and crew are never compromised."

It remains to be seen whether the former brigade group will be moved to make that decision after next week's anticipated cabinet shuffle. The fight over the budget is divided among the various fleets in likely to intensify with the arrival of four C-17 Globemaster heavy lift transports over the next 12 months.

A few months ago, O'Connor was forced to push up a shortfall in the navy's operating budget when it found a similar budget issue.

The number crunching may go on every day, but it is the size of the proposed cut that has air force leaders worried. "We're concerned that our national government funding for prices," said an air force source. "The military programme will be about realigned. When you're

Some planners at the 1st Canadian Air Division are studying a proposal for a 20 per cent cut in funding for fuel and spare parts for the CF-18, the C-130 Hercules, C-119 Aurora and the Sea King, defence ministers told The Canadian Press. "That's a damn significant hit."

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Border militants targeted

'peace jirga' Afghanistan and Pakistan at Al Qaeda, Taliban in tribal regions

jirga" meeting but both leaders also repeated accusations that the rift of a country behind the scene.

With 700 delegates and leaders on hand from tribal areas straddling the rugged border region between Afghanistan and Pakistan — where the Pakistani military said it killed at least 10 suspected pro-Taliban militants yesterday — Karzai said the two nations share a common destiny.

"I am confident, I believe ... if both Afghanistan and Pakistan put their hands together, we will eliminate one day oppression against both nations," he said.

The jirga has been billed as an opportunity for the tribal leaders to throw out a strategy to deal with the escalating terrorism threat.

Along with elements from Al Qaeda, the Taliban have been active in the region since being ousted from power in Kabul by the U.S. led forces of Afghanistan in the 2001 invasion.

Karzai said Musharraf's new trade negotiations about the rift of the street, while the Pakistan leader has expressed by UN resolutions that his government is not doing enough to counter the militant threat.

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MATTHEW AAR

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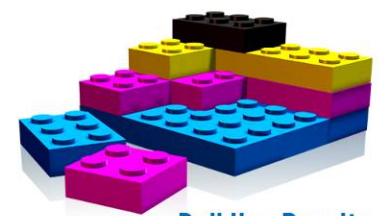
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TORONTO
Man with hepatitis C survives bloody stabbing

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The man's condition has been upgraded from critical.

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YORK REGION
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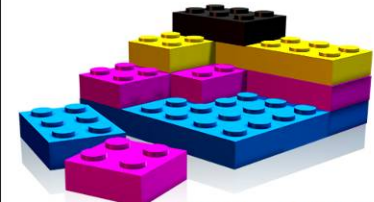
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Mentions of violence 'disturbing,' lawyer says

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"This case involves a broader background in the prosecution of a student involved property. Conduct of the nature is unacceptable without explanation. It is something Council will not tolerate," said Justice Michael Madoff, who wrote the decision for the panel.

"I compare up images of horror and anguish, the lines of which they could have imagined 20 years ago when the Charter first came to be," he said. "Such incidents, such images have become all too common — children left dead and dying, families overcome by grief and sorrow, communities left reeling in shock and disbelief."

Don Stuart, a professor of criminal law at Queen's University, called the ruling deeply disturbing and an example of a growing tendency by courts "to be fragmentary they are engaged to the guardians of the Constitution rather than concerned just about guilt."

"If we keep going down this road, the Charter will be pretty well dead," he said in an interview. "The Ontario Court of Appeal has now adopted this idea that if the evidence is reliable and the offence serious... then the Charter simply won't apply at all."

The panel, which included Justice Justice MacPherson and Elizabeth Chouh, said that needs to be

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Official named in scandal missing

Former Newfoundland public servant suspended from job in 2006 amid allegations of expenditures involving \$2.7M worth of keepsakes and trinkets

TARA BRADY/STAFF

Missing 10, he has been Friday. He was suspended from his job last year after allegations in Newfoundland and Labrador's audit general that he played a role in approving questionable expenditures totaling a work of reports last summer alleging that Murray had signed off on \$2.7 million worth of various trinkets and keepsakes, such as customized gold rings, fringe magnets and key chains.

Murray also lives in breach-of-trust lawsuit launched by the Newfoundland and Labrador government.

In a statement of claim filed in the spring, the province alleges Murray "knowingly" damaged "in his actions" the province's financial interests.

The allegations haven't been tested in court, and Murray has filed a statement of defence denying the allegations.

"Newsworthy" said Murray would have to disclose the bulk of his questionable expenditures but wouldn't explain where the money went or how it was spent.

The police describe Murray as 4-foot-6 and 210 pounds. He has blue eyes and reddish-brown hair, and is 5-foot-10. He was last seen wearing a long-sleeved, button-down, light blue shirt and white sneakers.

Murray was believed to be driving a red 2006 Pontiac Montana minivan with the Ontario plate number B2P 544, police said.

In addition to the \$2.7 million spent on keepsakes, Newsworthy said Murray also had a

NEWS

Police seek public's help in search for bureaucrat

The scandal erupted Premier Danny Williams in order to review into the spending practices at the legislature.

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URBAN UPGRADING

City to rate bird-friendly buildings

DONOVAN VINCENT

The City of Timorone has a staffing system for measuring how "bird-friendly" buildings in the city are.

The grading system is a follow-up to the city's initiative in the spring intended to prevent the deaths of migratory birds, many birds get confused by lights and glass, and then crash into buildings.

The color-coded system — "yellow" for "intermediate," "green" for "preferred" and "blue" for "excellent" — will be used mainly by developers of new buildings who need to meet their structure as "bird-friendly."

The program led by municipal staff Therese Stone, a planner in the city's urban development services department, said developers working to meet bird-friendly designations for their buildings will get the checklist and city staff will come out to verify the list.

For instance, a building where patterned glass covers all the windows would get a blue rating. Patterned glass reflects and reduces incidents where birds fly into windows. Buildings will also get marks for narrowing or covering window glass on the ground, and reducing glare from lights.

The bird-friendly designation would become part of the city's "green building" standard, which is becoming increasingly popular

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Pet saver defends his actions

SIMONA SLO

A pet detective who is temporarily suspended after a dog was killed from a locked and unattended car says he was just doing what his mandate asks him to do — save animals' lives.

The Smith, an animal cruelty investigator for the Toronto Humane Society and former small security guard, is not allowed to investigate animal cruelty complaints pending an investigation to which he has been called the owner of the dog to a car. But the highly publicized pet saving incident has ignited emotion and feedback from hundreds of pet owners and swamped the Toronto Humane Society with letters and e-mails calling for his reinstatement.

On July 21, Smith responded to a call that Owen, a 10kg Bearded Collie was locked in an overbooked car. The Toronto Humane Society investigator smashed through the car window, rescued the dog, and who was dumped and dumped the car into a nearby lot. The dog was rushed to the St. Michael's Hospital, leaving the man from his hands and still in the car.

"I was trying to get my job done but my abilities prove a very difficult, demanding and abusive situation," said Smith. But reports received that the handcuffed dog owner was beaten by the crowd and was taken to the Ontario Police, where he was taken to the Ontario Provincial Police office to provide medical and forensic reports. Smith had followed proper procedure and was not in violation of the law. Smith is currently in a waiting period of more than 10 Facebook group calling for his reinstatement.



Elizabeth Buchanan (right, in hat) confronts chairman Julian Falconer during a break in yesterday's proceedings at CWJ. Jeffery Colquhoun/Postmedia

School safety panel criticized

"This is not going to bring any changes," says friend of Jordan Manners' mother to chairman Falconer

LAUREN BROWN

Elizabeth Buchanan, 54, was a member of the school safety panel ordered by the school board after the Manners death. Buchanan confronted the panel's chair, former justice lawyer Julian Falconer, at a break during yesterday's proceedings. A small crowd formed. Falconer invited her to address the panel. "If you want to take shots at me, go ahead," he said in front of the group. And he did.

"This process is not community friendly," she said, looking around the school cafeteria at the sparsely populated benches. "This is not going to bring changes." The panel behind Falconer and his colleagues to the panel hearing the panel's full title, "School Community Safety Advisory Panel," and portraying the youth — on top of whom was back. "This panel doesn't represent my children," Buchanan said. All afternoon the panel — which also includes Linda MacKinnon and Peggy Edwards — heard from members of the community. Their speeches ranged from passionate denunciations of violence to heart-felt and clearly frustrated pleas for

fewer reports and more action. There were calls for more alternative curriculum, more education for head youth, and more social programs. Falconer opened the proceedings yesterday with a moment of silence — as he had the previous day. After she had calmed down, and still in front of the microphone, Buchanan threw her head and said Jordan's mother had one more question. "She wants to know about the staff in her son's locker," she said. No one from the school had yet contacted her about it, she said.

Some city parks have a seedy side

Drugs, prostitution and other infractions spoil green spaces for people who want to enjoy them

TAMARA CHERY

While some parks, like Dufferin Grove Park, which is maintained by local residents and city employees, are great family fun, others are anything but.

In addition to drug dealers, "the lighting might be not so something, or that the streetlights are not so something. It might not be too bad as far as an overall site. — On those night structures in the parks that help structure what they're doing like from everyone else," says Brown. "They're not in the park at night and they're someone who they're here, whether it's drugs, whether it's liquor and sometimes you find for empty around every corner."

For some parks, the problems go on 24 hours a day, seven days a week. "But it gets worse at night when there's a lot of noise and a lot of darkness," Brown says.

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Chris McInnis and Ryan Smith the Humane Society because "it's the happy child and the tree park." They mean like it because they can sit on the lawn on the bench as they 2- and 3-year-olds live themselves out, in preparation for their afternoon nap under shady trees.

Andrea McInnis and Nicholas



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CRIMES IN PARKS

Some recent statistics: May 3, 2006: A 7-year-old boy walking in Eglinton Park is shot in the arm and injured. Another boy, 14, is shot in the back. May 19, 2006: A young man is shot and another injured at a shooting in Thorncliffe Park. Dec. 21, 2006: Andrew Gayle, 27, was shot and died in Eglinton Park. photo above. Dec. 28, 2006: Two teenage girls are sexually assaulted at Hargrove Park in the afternoon. Nov. 28, 2006: Razor blades are found hidden in a park near Lake Shore Blvd. W. and Royal York Rd.

There are mostly large green spaces around the city and the Black Creek Bar around Lakeshore. Ian Lamont.

Couples who park their cars for armed robberies

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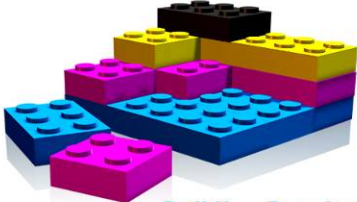
Chris McInnis and Ryan Smith the Humane Society because "it's the happy child and the tree park." They mean like it because they can sit on the lawn on the bench as they 2- and 3-year-olds live themselves out, in preparation for their afternoon nap under shady trees.

Andrea McInnis and Nicholas

and boys have been targeted from other parks. Police said residents if they wanted a viable park, they'd have to understand the reality. "What really keeps crime down is legitimate users. Toronto police Staff Sgt. Ian Lamont says, "If people are in there for a legitimate purpose, people that are in there for an illegitimate purpose certainly don't want to hang around." So residents set next to the dog dealers on the they'll find them, doing that here, clearing of local and the great other amenity simply.



There are mostly large green spaces around the city and the Black Creek Bar around Lakeshore. Ian Lamont.



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HELPING FELLOW CREATURES
Peterborough animal hospital hosts event to raise money for Africa's endangered mountain gorillas

Alex Down, 11, gets acquainted with Stan, a yellow-footed tortoise, during the fundraiser for the African apes at Peterborough's Riverside Park and Zoo.

Horseback riding found riskier than motorbiking

CAUTION—Hold your horse!
A Canadian study says horseback riding is more dangerous than motorcycling, riding and football.

The University of Calgary Calgary Health Institute study measured riders wear helmets and safety vests to available horseback riders.

The research team reviewed 7,041 trauma patients at Calgary's Foothills Medical Centre over 10 years and found that 151 people were seriously injured while horseback riding.

And almost half of those who were injured were women riders who were injured during equestrian-related surgery.

The study of the people who were injured, the riding accident was a life-changing moment. "I'll risk an occupational health hazard at football, said in a release posted last week.

"There are riders with an average of 27 years experience at the time of their injury, riding horses that were also experienced and well-trained."

"I have broken, and grew up on horseback, but now I wear a helmet and vest when I go riding."

The study published in the American Journal of Sports says the hospital injury rate for equestrian activity was more than three times higher than for motorcycling during the course of the study.

They were also surprised to learn that riding on horseback was more common in wide-open spaces on farms than in more urban areas.

"Previous studies assumed that major accidents on horseback were caused by sudden riders who untrained horses or bad weather—something we now know is simply not true," said Dr. Rob Mullan, director of the study.

AIR INDIA INQUIRY
Evidence on alleged confession slated

JIM BROWN
The inquiry into the crash of Air India Flight 182 was set to start hearing evidence on the matter today when two officials of the Punjab Human Rights Organisation are scheduled to testify.

Tejinder Singh Parmar, head of the militant Sikh separatist group Babbar Khalsa, was arrested shortly after the attack, but the RCMP didn't have enough evidence to charge him with the crime.

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BURMA RISES UP
Monks are protected by supporters as they march in the biggest anti-government protest in two decades

Buddhist monks chant and pray as they lead more than 200,000 protesters through Yangon yesterday, launching the biggest challenge yet against military rule in Burma, also known as Myanmar. The monks were protected by their supporters, some who held hands as they marched to the parliament building.

Shin Aung Mye Thazar, the leader of the pro-democracy group, said she was arrested by police officers in Yangon yesterday. She was held for four days, but was released after her supporters gathered outside her home.

Bethlehem beholds very rare species — tourists

Foreign visitors slowly returning to West Bank

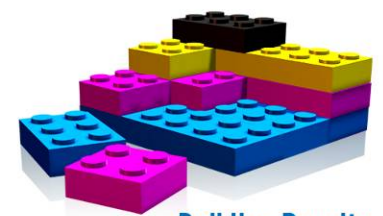
OAKLAND BOSS
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