
Quebec '84 festivities

"Passports" to the Quebec '84 celebrations honouring the four-hundred-and-fiftieth anniversary of the arrival of Jacques Cartier to America are available only until the end of the year at reduced prices.

The Quebec '84 festivities take place in Quebec City from June 23 to August 24. An adult passport is \$24 and \$19 for children under 15 years of age until December 31. After that the prices jump to \$30 for adults and \$24 for children. The passports can be purchased or ordered from any branch of the Royal Bank of Canada.

Some of the events at Quebec '84 include the Return of the Tall Ships (with two, three or four masted rigged ships); the International Festival featuring sailors from other countries; the Transat TAG Quebec-St. Malo boat race with 50 single and multi-hulled craft sailboats; the Challenge Labatt Canada races with ten provincial teams competing and the Labatt Blue Flying Sails featuring thousands of dinghies, catamarans and sailboards. As well, there will be exhibitions of maritime science and technology, sporting and other recreational activities at the Old Port of Quebec.

Green Party eyes election

About 150 representatives from the Green Party of Canada met in Ottawa recently to lay the groundwork for a national party which hopes to field candidates in the next federal election.

The Canadian Green movement began in January 1983 and organizers say there are members in every province except Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island.

They borrow their name and anti-nuclear, ecology-minded philosophy from the West German Green Party, which altered that nation's political scene by winning 27 of 498 seats in the Bundestag (Parliament) in March's elections.

After three days of heated debate, they agreed on some basic principles: the need for disarmament and a non-violent world; to respect the environment; promote human rights; and make decisions in small groups where everyone can participate.

The Greens talk about the need to conserve resources, stop pollution and not buy for the sake of buying, but

they do not consider themselves anti-technology.

In fact, delegates talked about using computer networks to determine what members across the country think about various issues.

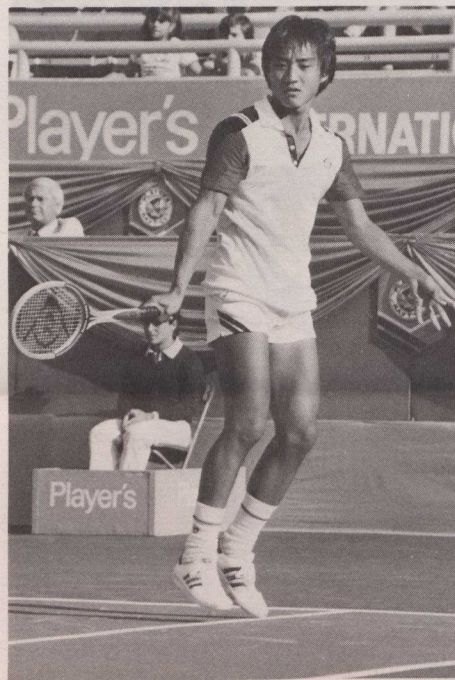
Wilhelm Knabe, an ecologist and member of the West German Greens who was a key speaker at the meeting, calls the movement a "declaration for survival".

"We have to have respect for life, human rights, and nature," he said, adding Greens have to create an "ecological economy" based neither on capitalism nor communism.

They must run 50 candidates in the next federal election in order to be formally registered as a national party and have the Green name appear on election ballots.

Canadian tennis stars shine

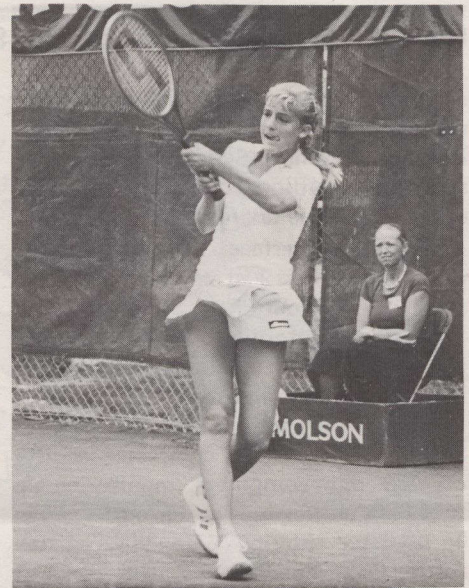
Canadian tennis stars Glenn Michibata and Carling Bassett are enjoying unprecedented success on the international circuit.



Glenn Michibata

Glenn Michibata, 21, has become the highest-ranked Canadian male ever on the Association of Tennis Players computer.

Following his recent performance at the \$375 000 Super Series Grand Prix tournament in Tokyo (he lost to second-seeded Jimmy Connors of the United States in the quarter-finals), the leader of the strong Pepperdine College team in



Carling Bassett

California has moved up to No. 79 in the world.

In mid-October he became the first Canadian in five years to be ranked in the top 100 when he moved into No. 98. A year ago, he was rated No. 295.

Carling Bassett, the 16-year-old Canadian champion, has moved up to sixteenth in the latest Women's Tennis Association rankings.

Canada-Belgium literary prize

The Canada-Belgium literary prize for 1982 has been awarded to the Canadian poet François Charron, it was announced recently by the Department of External Affairs and the Canada Council. This annual \$2 500 prize is awarded in alternate years to French-language writers in Canada and Belgium.

Born in Longueuil, Quebec in 1952, François Charron has published 15 collections of poetry since 1972. In addition, he is a frequent contributor to Québécois, French and Belgian literary periodicals. In 1979, he was the first winner of the Emile-Nelligan prize for his work *Blessures*. Since 1975, François Charron has devoted himself to painting as well as writing, and his works have been exhibited in a number of Montreal galleries.

His recent writing, published by Les Herbes rouges, includes: *1980* (1981), *Mystère* (1981), *La Passion d'autonomie: littérature et nationalisme* (1982), *Toute parole m'éblouira* (1982) and *D'où viennent les tableaux?* (1983).