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Canada unexpectedly added 90,000 jobs in April, though unemployment stayed flat at 6.1%

The Canadian economy gained 90,000 jobs in April, much higher than the average of 20,000 jobs many economists were predicting for the latest Labour Force Survey numbers from Statistics Canada. The federal agency pinned the increases in employment on part-time work, with more than 50,000 more of those types of positions. There were more jobs in the professional, scientific and technical services industries. As well, employment for those aged 15 to 24 went up by 40,000 in April, the first monthly increase for that demographic since December 2022. However, the unemployment rate was unchanged from the month before, staying at 6.1 per cent. This is higher than a year ago. "Within these numbers is strong employment growth but also still strong population growth," CIBC senior economist Andrew Grantham told media, explaining why the unemployment rate was stable despite higher job growth. More people are also actively employed or looking for work in Canada, with April's 0.1 per cent increase the first since June 2023.

Hamilton couple finds over 800 real Group of Seven landscapes

If a picture's worth a thousand words, to Jim and Sue Waddington, a painting's worth a thousand miles. For nearly five decades, Jim and Sue Waddington have hiked, portaged and paddled rapids around Canada, all to track down and photograph over 800 landscapes that inspired the Group of Seven's works. They've given more than 300 talks on their travels, published a best-selling book, and are now the subject of a short documentary narrated by their granddaughter Emma. Now, in their eighties, the two are still at it. "It keeps us busy," Sue said. The Group of Seven were Canadian landscape painters who formed from 1920 to 1933, often depicting the country's raw, natural beauty in their works. They included A.Y. Jackson, Lawren Harris, Franklin Carmichael, Frank Johnston, Arthur Lismer, J.E.H. MacDonald and Frederick Varley. Neither Sue nor Jim come from an art background. But like the famous painters, they love to canoe and camp, and in 1977, they set out with a specific goal in mind. Sue says the first location they found was the subject of A.Y. Jackson's 1933 painting, "Hills Killarney, (Nellie Park)". She'd discovered the painting during a course at Mohawk College, and wondered if the place really existed. "And we looked at the map of Killarney Park where we had been canoeing a couple of years and saw Nellie Lake and decided maybe we better go and see if it was there," she said. After a week of portaging, they found it. "We were quite surprised that we could actually find it and that it actually looked almost identical," Sue said. That began a lifelong obsession. "After we found that first place, we thought, well, there must be a lot more that we could find," said Jim. The couple consulted art galleries, topographic maps and artist notes to narrow down where they might find the artists' original vantage points. They carried the artists' sketches on their trips, which were more realistic than the paintings the artists later produced in studio, Jim says. He says the puzzle of it has kept them going.



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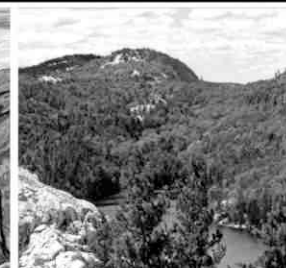
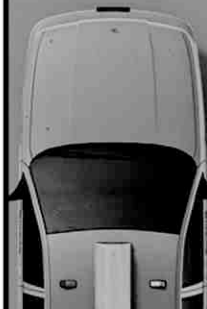


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LEFT: A.Y. Jackson (1882 - 1974), Hills, Killarney, Ontario (Nellie Lake), c. 1933, oil on canvas, 77.3 x 81.7 cm, Gift of Mr. S. Walter Stewart, McMichael Canadian Art Collection, 1968.8.28 (McMichael Canadian Art Collection)

RIGHT: A photo from the Waddington's first trip to Nellie Lake in 1977. (Submitted by Jim and Sue Waddington)

Funerals In Our Care

Irvin Lorenz passed away at the age of 69 years.

A come and go tea: Thursday, May 16 at 7:00 PM

McCaw Funeral Chapel, Lloydminster, AB

Graveside Service: Friday, May 17 at 2:00 PM

Lloydminster City Cemetery, Lloydminster, SK

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Elsie Veltikold passed away in January at the age of 96.

Graveside Service: Friday, May 17 at 11:00 AM

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Diane Hunt passed away at the age of 81 years.

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FTX says most customers will get all their money back less than 2 years after crypto fraud crisis

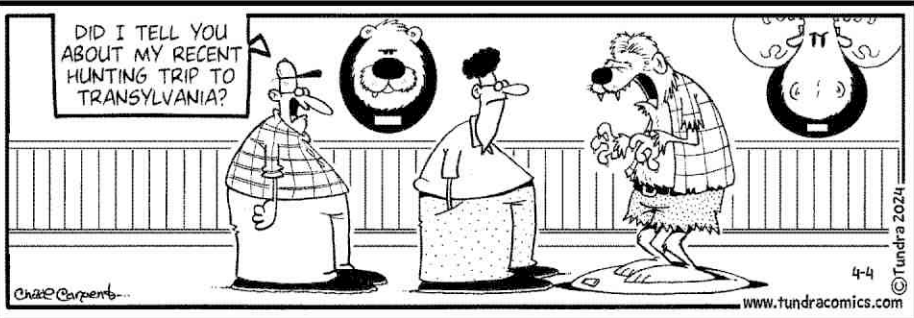
FTX says that nearly all of its customers will get back the money they are owed – and some will get more than that – nearly two years after the cryptocurrency exchange imploded. FTX said in a court filing late Tuesday that it owes about \$11.2 billion US to its creditors. The exchange estimates that it has between \$14.5 billion and \$16.3 billion to distribute to them. The filing said that after paying claims in full, the plan provides for supplemental interest payments to creditors, to the extent that funds still remain. The interest rate for most creditors is 9%. That may be a diminished consolation for investors who were trading cryptocurrency on the exchange when it collapsed. When FTX sought bankruptcy protection in November 2022, bitcoin was going for \$16,080 US. But crypto prices have soared as the economy recovered while the assets at FTX were sorted out over the past two years. A single bitcoin on Tuesday was selling for close to \$62,675. That comes out to a 290% loss, a bit less than that if accrued interest is counted, if those investors had held onto those coins. Customers and creditors that claim \$50,000 or less will get about 118% of their claim, according to the plan, which was filed with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. This covers about 98% of FTX customers. FTX said that it was able to recover funds by monetizing a collection of assets that mostly consisted of proprietary investments held by the Alameda or FTX Ventures businesses, or litigation claims.

Zelenskyy fires head of Ukraine's state guards in wake of foiled assassination plot

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy dismissed the head of the state guards on Thursday, two days after two of its members were accused of plotting to assassinate the president. Zelenskyy issued a decree dismissing Serhiy Rud. No successor was identified. Its state security service (SBU) said this week it had caught two men, colonels in the state guard service, accused of plotting the assassination of Zelenskyy and other top officials. The SBU said the assassinations were to have been a "gift" for Vladimir Putin as he was sworn in for a new term in the Kremlin on Tuesday. It said the men were recruited by Russia's Federal Security Service (FSB) who leaked classified information to Moscow. The men, the SBU said, were tasked with finding someone close to the presidential guard who would take Zelenskyy hostage and later kill him. There was no indication at what point the alleged plot had been foiled. Moscow issued no comment on the SBU's statement. The president, the very prominent leader of his country's defence more than two years into the Russian invasion, said last year that his security services had foiled at least five Russian plots to assassinate him.

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Lloydminster Public Library's **DAILY TRIVIA** (Answer in the next issue)

Gwynedd was one of the kingdoms of WHICH country?
 a. Ireland b. Sweden c. Wales d. Scotland

Answer to last issue's Trivia Question:

What was the important discovery made in Wadi Qumran between 1946 - 1956?
 a. Humayun Tomb b. Largest trilobite fossil
 c. Source of the Nile d. Dead Sea Scrolls

D. The Dead Sea Scrolls are ancient Jewish and Hebrew religious manuscripts discovered between 1946 and 1956 at the Qumran Caves in what was then Mandatory Palestine, near Ein Feshkha in the West Bank, on the northern shore of the Dead Sea. Dating from the 3rd century BCE to the 1st century CE, the Dead Sea Scrolls are considered to be a keystone in the history of archaeology with great historical, religious, and linguistic significance because they include the oldest surviving manuscripts of entire books later included in the biblical canons.

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May 16 - CANCELLED: Bake Sale at Points West Living.

May 16 - CANCELLED: Pioneer Lodge Annual Spring Tea Bake Sale.

May 16 - Spades Tournament at the Legacy Centre. Play begins at 10am. Cost is \$10 to play & \$12 lunch. Everyone welcome! Call Legacy office for more info at 780.875.4584.

May 23 - Grace United Church Spring Salad Smorg at 4708 - 50 Avenue, Lloyd, AB at 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. \$20 / ticket. Advance tickets only. Tickets can be purchase before and after Sunday Service or at the Grace United Church office (Mon-Fri 9am-12 Noon).

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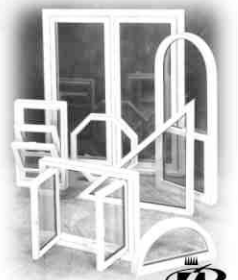
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