

Down Home News



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THANK YOU TO OUR MCDC VOLUNTEERS

National Volunteer week will be celebrated April 18-24, 2021. Volunteers are on the front lines of our community services - community health care, heritage and arts, administrative committees, community organizations, school life, the list is impressive. Take the time this week to recognize volunteers by saying thank-you. They offer their time, energy and skills to improve the lives of their neighbours and surroundings. Their hours of service ensure that many events are held and many people are helped.

Albert Stevenson	Barbara Ann Arsenault	Heather Whitcomb	Joan Smith	Madeleine Brisson	Roger Allan
Alice Renaud	Brenda Trenfield	Helen Jamieson	Joan Stevenson	Michelle Mathieu	Ronald Routhier
Aline Visser	Darlene Menard	James Allan	Kenny Powell	Nadine Ratté	Ross Davidson
André Gingras	Denise Carrier	Jan Lowry	Leo Thomas	Ned Young	Stephen Renaud
Ann Marie Powell	Dianna Beattie	Janet Dempsey	Lorna Campbell	Ozzie Beattie	Susan Smith
Anne Marie Campbell	Don Beattie	Jean Wright	Lorraine Learmonth	Patsy Fowler	Susan Young
Annie Stewart	Edie Patterson	Jim Barber	Louise Carey	Pauline Davidson	Sylvie Champagne
Barbara Fotheringham	Hartley Aulis	Joan McCammon	Luc Baillargeon	Pauline Nutbrown	Victor Lowry
			Lucien Trepanier	Peter Whitcomb	Zina Pantorno

Although MCDC was not able to continue the "I Volunteer" program because of Covid-19, we would like to give a special mention to the students in Ms Frances' class who worked on the Christmas intergenerational event via ZOOM, and the students from Ms Turcotte's class who worked on the battery recycling project.



Health activities & capsules - VIA ZOOM

Please call MCDC or email health@mcdc.info to register for each of the following health sessions.

CUMMINGS VIDEO

"Ask the Experts Covid Vaccinations, Facts & Myths"

Pre-recorded zoom presentation with Dr. Christopher Labos. Dr. Labos discusses the two first Covid-19 vaccines approved in Canada: Pfizer and Moderna.

DATE: **Wed April 14, 2021**
TIME: 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

CHEP Videoconference

"The Expanding Role of your Community Pharmacist"

Presented by Jean-Marc Belanger,
Pharm. D., Community Pharmacist

DATE: **Wed April 21, 2021**
TIME: 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Bingo anyone?



Via ZOOM. Bingo cards & dabbers will be delivered to your home.

DATE: Friday, **April 13, 2021**
TIME: 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Call Jennifer at MCDC
418-332-3851 to register.



GOLDEN GIRLS series

7 YEARS OF LAUGHTER

watch the episodes via ZOOM

DATES: **Thursday Apr 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29**

TIME: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Call Jennifer to register 418-332-3851.

Thank you Jim Barber

Behind the scenes in a lot of our projects with the Youth Program you will find Jim Barber. Countless hours of helping to prepare food among other tasks!

Here's our chance to thank him and let him know how much MCDC appreciates his help and talent. He was key in the success of each activity.

MERCI!!!



Tea-Time Chat! (and have some chuckles)

Join our MCDC PARTY LINE

Every **Tuesday** afternoon

1:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Call Holly to register 418-332-3851



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What's happening?

Coopérative de services à domicile de la région de Thetford Mines

Are you considering staying in your own home but would need help with house work such as vacuuming, dusting, dishes, cleaning bathrooms, kitchen, and floors. This local agency can offer you a solution.

418-334-0852

If language is a barrier to access this service, please contact MCDC. We will be happy to assist you in total confidentiality.

<http://www.coopservicesadomicile.com/index.php?page=aide-domestique>

McGill Health & Social Services Bursary Program 2021-2022 CALL FOR APPLICANTS

McGill University, with the collaboration of MCDC, is pleased to launch the call for applicants for Health and Social Services Community Leadership Bursaries for the 2021-2022 academic year. This program provides financial incentive to students from selected Quebec regions with English and French language skills pursuing full-time studies in the area of health and social services in a government recognized educational institution. Depending on the level of studies (university, college, or vocational) and whether or not the applicants are pursuing their post-secondary studies inside or outside their region, the amount of the bursary may vary between \$2,500 and \$10,000 for the 2021-2022 academic year.

The deadline to submit your application is May 7, 2021. To obtain a copy of the application form and guide, or for more information, please contact Maureen Small at MCDC 418-332-3851 community@mcdc.info

Milestones



- ✚ Sincere condolences to the family of Gaetan Noel who passed away on March 12, 2021.
- ✚ Our sympathies to the family of Edith Houle Dion who passed away on March 12th also.
- ✚ Best wishes & cheers to Ned Young.
- ✚ Get well wishes going out to Flora Reid and Donald Stewart.

MCDC Book Club



MCDC is always looking to welcome new people into our Book Club. We meet once a month via ZOOM.

The next meeting will be:
Tuesday, Apr 13th, at 10:00 a.m.
Please call Jennifer if you'd like to join.
418-332-3851



School News

- Apr 8: Sec 3 & 4 will meet various business people.
- Apr 14, 20, 28: Sec 4 will welcome guest speakers from health & business sectors.
- Apr 13: Sec 5 will receive info on MCF and McGill bursaries.
- Apr 16: Sec 5 will meet with Carrefour Jeunesse.
- Apr 22: Sec 5 & 6 presentation by Aline Visser on history of the school.

MCDC'S Youth Library



*"The more that you read, the more things you will know.
The more you learn, the more places you'll go".*

Dr. Seuss

MCDC is now open for the parents of St. Patrick's Elementary School to come borrow NEW books for their children! Pre-K to Grade 6 reading levels!!

Please call or email MCDC to book your time to visit the MCDC LIBRARY 418-332-3851 / info@mcdc.info

MCF BURSARY PROGRAM FOR ASJ GRADUATES AND ADULT LEARNERS



For the 12th year running, the Megantic Community Foundation (MCF) is pleased to offer three (3) \$500 bursaries:

- ✚ Two (2) bursaries to ASJ High School graduates pursuing post-secondary studies.
- ✚ One (1) bursary to a member of the English-speaking community of the Appalaches, l'Érable or Lotbinière regions who wishes to further his/her studies as a mature student.

To qualify, you **MUST** be registered as a FULL-TIME student in September 2021.

Deadline for submission of application to MCDC is Monday, May 3, 2021. Application forms are available by calling MCDC:

418-332-3851



The MCDC & MCF Board of Directors and the Staff would like to wish you all a very Happy Easter. Let's continue to use safe practices.

Please note that the office will be closed Good Friday, April 2nd & Monday, April 5th.

All members of the English-speaking community of Chaudière-Appalaches and l'Érable are invited to become members of MCDC. Membership is free and it is a great way to get involved and show your support for your community. Please call 418-332-3851 or email communications@mcdc.info