

Down Home News



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THANK YOU TO OUR MCDC VOLUNTEERS

National Volunteer week will be celebrated April 14-20, 2024. 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.

Alice Renaud	Caroline Cavinta	Huguette Blais	Kitty Small	Madeleine Brisson	Robert Blais
Aline Visser	Darlene Menard	James Allan	Lawrence Custeau	Maureen Small	Roger Allan
André Gingras	Dianna Beattie	Jan Lowry	Len Davidson	Michelle Mathieu	Ross Davidson
Ann Marie Powell	Don Beattie	Janet Dempsey	Leo Thomas	Nadine Ratté	Sheilagh Brown
Ann-Marie Campbell	Donna Thomas	Jim Barber	Loch Baillie	Ozzie Beattie	Shirley Picknell
Brenda Trenfield	Hartley Aulis	Joan McCammon	Lorna Campbell	Pauline Davidson	Stephen Renaud
Carmen Huppé	Helen Jamieson	Joan Smith	Lorraine Learmonth	Pauline Nutbrown	Suzette Mainville
Carole Lehoux	Heather Whitcomb	Jo Visser	Louise Carey	Peter Whitcomb	

We would also like to thank all the students from St. Patrick's Elementary School who participated in the "I Volunteer" program.



Health activity & capsules

Please call MCDC to register for each of the following health sessions:

Comedy Movie

"Daddy's Home"



Date: **Wed April 3, 2024**

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: MCDC

Please call or email Jennifer
info@mcdc.info

Know Your Trivia

"Springtime Theme"

Date: **Wed April 10, 2024**

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: MCDC

Please call or email Laurie
health@mcdc.info

MOVIE: Documentary

"Life on this Planet -

Date: **Wed April 17, 2024**

Time: 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Place: MCDC

Please call or email Jennifer
info@mcdc.info

Introducing new MCDC staff In Levis



We are pleased to introduce Olena Peleshok and Melissa Duval-Demuy who have joined the MCDC team in our Lévis office "South Shore English Network (SSEN)". Olena is from Ukraine and has spent 7 years in British Columbia. She will take on the role of Community Development Coordinator. Melissa, a social work graduate of Laval, will take on the new Children and Family Coordinator role. Please join us in extending a very warm welcome to both ladies.



MCDC & MCF Board of Directors and the staff would like to wish you all a very Happy Easter.

Please note that the office will be closed on Good Friday March 29th, and Easter Monday April 1st.

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What's happening?

McGill Health & Social Services Bursary Program 2024-2025 CALL FOR APPLICANTS

McGill University, in collaboration with MCDC, is pleased to launch the call for applicants for Health and Social Services Community Leadership Bursaries for the 2024-2025 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 \$1,000 and \$10,000 for the 2024-20245 academic year.

The deadline to submit your application is May 7, 2024. To verify your eligibility, or for more information, please contact Maureen Small at MCDC 418-332-3851 community@mcdc.info.

Mason's Sugar Party



DATE: **Sat April 20, 2024**
TIME: 4:00 p.m.
PLACE: Kinnear's Mills Community Hall

4 - 6 p.m. Taffy on snow
6 - 7:30 p.m. Homemade supper

Bring your own beer, wine, and lawn chair!

Drop-Ins

1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

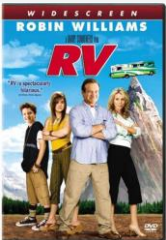
April 1	Easter Monday, NO Drop-In
April 8	MCDC
April 15	KM Municipal Hall
April 22	IOOF Inverness
April 29	NO Drop-In

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Movie Afternoon

"RV"

Starring:
Robin Williams



DATE: **Wed April 24, 2024**
TIME: 1:30 p.m.
PLACE: MCDC

Please call or email Jennifer
info@mcdc.info

Church Services

K.I.T. Pastoral Charge:

- Apr 7, 10:30 a.m. Gamache & Nadeau chapel
- Apr 14, 10:30 a.m. Candlish, Kinnear's Mills.
- Apr 21, 10:30 a.m. St. Andrew's Inverness
- Apr 28, 10:30 a.m. Gamache & Nadeau chapel

Anglican Services:

- Apr 14, 2:00 p.m. Gamache & Nadeau chapel

Indigenous DROP-IN



An event for Indigenous peoples
by Indigenous peoples
This is a family friendly event so please bring your children. Light refreshments will be provided.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 10, 2024 | 6:30 p.m. | MCDC

Register with Kaylea Curotte
youthmentalhealth@mcdc.info

MCF BURSARY PROGRAM FOR ASJ GRADUATES AND ADULT LEARNERS

For the 15th 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 2024. Deadline for submission of application to MCDC is Friday, May 3, 2024. Application forms are available by calling Maureen at MCDC:

418.332.3851



Eclipse of the Sun - Monday April 8, 2024

The path of totality will pass over parts of southern Quebec
(Including Montreal, Sherbrooke, Saint-Georges, and Lac-Mégantic).
Time: mid-afternoon

WARNING: Do not look at the eclipse unless you are wearing the specialized glasses!
Otherwise serious damage can happen to your vision.

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 us 418.332.3851 or email communications@mcdc.info