

# Down Home News



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## 2015 MEGANTIC COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (MCF) BURSARY RECIPIENTS

The Megantic Community Foundation is pleased to announce the 2015 recipients of a \$500 bursary to pursue their post-secondary education. Since the Foundation did not receive applications for its mature student bursary, the Bursary Committee decided to award two

bursaries to A.S. Johnson High School graduates:

Karel Gourde is a resident of Thetford Mines. She will be pursuing post-secondary education in Health Science at Champlain-St. Lawrence.

Jean-Samuel Drouin is a resident of Thetford Mines. He will be pursuing post-secondary education in Arts and Literature at John Abbott College.

Congratulations and best of luck to Karel and Jean-Samuel!

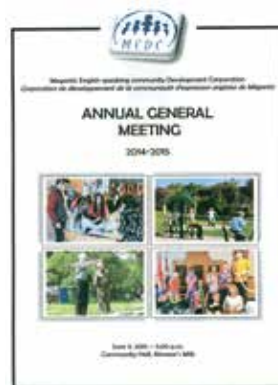
## MCDC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MCDC held its Annual General Meeting on June 9, 2015 in Kinnear's Mills. Approximately 50 community members were in attendance. It was a great opportunity to get involved, to share comments and suggestions and to celebrate the arrival of summer with a light supper in company of good friends. During the meeting, a report of all activities held during the previous year and the audited 2014-2015 financial statements was presented to and ratified by the participants.

The participants also elected the Board members for 2015-16: James Allan, Normand Baker, Frances Beattie, Gordon Brown, Pauline Davidson, Joan McCammon, Brenda Trenfield, Ann Marie Powell, Alice Renaud, Stephen Renaud, Annie Stewart, Aline Visser, and Ned Young. The President thanked Joan Beattie Routhier & Bianca Pouliot, who had stepped down due to personal reasons, for their service to the community.

In retrospect, a busy and successful year for MCDC! To obtain a complete copy of our Annual Report and Financial Statements, or for more information on

our services, please contact us. The report is also available on our website at [www.mcdd.info](http://www.mcdd.info) under the "Communication & Information" tab. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome.



## MCGILL BURSARY PROGRAM 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 2015-2016 academic year. This program is intended to provide 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 bursaries may vary between \$2,500 and \$10,000 for the 2015-2016 academic year.

The deadline for applications is August 23, 2015. To obtain a copy of the application and the application guide, the complete list of eligibility criteria, all applicable programs and educational institutions or for more information, please contact MCDC at 418-332-3851.



## SENIORS' DROP-INS

**Monday, July 13th:** Kinnear's Mills  
**Monday, July 20th:** Inverness  
**Monday, July 27th:** Thetford Mines  
**Monday, Aug 10th:** Ste-Agathe  
**Monday, Aug 17th:** Kinnear's Mills  
**Monday, Aug 24th:** Inverness  
(Annual picnic at Lysander Falls - date to be determined)

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR



**Sunday, July 5th:** Orange Lodge church service at 10:30 a.m. – St-Andrew's Church, Inverness.

**Saturday, July 11th:** The Annual Orange Picnic is taking place at MacRae's Grove just outside of Kinnear's Mills starting at 11:00 a.m. Bring your picnic and join your old friends for a day of fun.

**Saturday, July 11th:** All are invited to have supper at the Kinnear's Mills Community Hall starting at 4:30 p.m. The

supper is organized by the United Church Women.

**Friday-Sunday, July 17th – 19th:** Celtic weekend in Kinnear's Mills.

**Sunday, July 19th:** Brunch at Les Fourneaux d'Inverness, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. call Lisa to reserve 1-418-453-2007

**Sunday, Aug 2nd:** Square dance 1:30 – 5:30 p.m. at the Model School (Leeds Heritage Site); music by Claude Lachance and James Allan.

**Sunday, Aug 9th:** Anglican summer service at St. James Church, 1:30 p.m., Leeds.

**Saturday, Aug 29th:** Square dance 8:30 p.m. - midnight at the "Bluff" (Inverness); music by Claude Lachance and James Allan.

**Sunday, Aug. 30th:** Brunch at Les Fourneaux d'Inverness, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. call Lisa to reserve 1-418-453-2007

## COMMUNITY HEALTH CAPSULE

### Is it SUNNY & WARM where you are?

The most important thing is to keep cool and hydrated.

Tune in regularly to local weather forecasts and alerts so you know when to take extra care.

Watch for symptoms of heat illness which include: dizziness, nausea, headache and changes of behaviour in children (like

sleepiness or temper tantrums).

Avoid sun exposure, find or bring shade when possible.

For more tips to follow during extreme heat events, visit: <http://healthycanadians.gc.ca/health-sante/environment-environnement/sun-soleil/heat-extremechaleur-eng-phi>



**CONGRATS!** On June 12, 2015, Ann Marie Powell received an Honorary Membership from the Quebec Community Groups Network (QCGN) in recognition of her dedication towards her service to the community and the well-being of the English-speaking communities of Quebec. We are very proud to have her as our President!



## MCDC'S 15<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY 2000 - 2015

Mark the date on your calendar and come celebrate this great milestone with us!

DATE: **Saturday, October 24, 2015**

### TENTATIVE AGENDA:

5:00 p.m. Cocktail hour / Silent Auction

6:00 p.m. Supper

7:00 p.m. ASJ High School Show

8:00 p.m. Dance to Dave McBurney band

PLACE: Thetford Golf & Curling Club



The next Down Home News will be published in **September 2015**.

## COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE SUMMER SCHEDULE

### June 29 to August 21, 2015

Monday: CLOSED  
Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Fri, Sat, Sun: CLOSED

**In addition**, the Community Resource Centre will be closed for two weeks during the construction holidays (**July 20<sup>th</sup> to August 3<sup>rd</sup> inclusively**).

*Have a great summer!*

### A WORD OF THANKS!

Hélène Doré & her family, and Joy Nugent & her family would like to express their appreciation for the kindness shown by gifts of food, donations to the Hospital Foundation, the wonderful lunch prepared by the ladies of the community, and your support around their loss of Dale.

## MCDC MEMBERSHIP

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. For additional information, please call us at 418-332-3851 or 1-877-332-3851 or visit our website at <http://mcdc.info>.

## JOAN & RONALD ROUTHIER



would like to invite everyone to their **50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration** on Sunday, August 9, 2015

The celebration will begin at 1:30 p.m. with a service of joy and thanksgiving in St. James Anglican Church on the Heritage Site in Leeds Village. After the ceremony, we will proceed next door to the Model School where the Dave McBurney band will be waiting to entertain everyone. Supper will be served around 5:30 p.m.

They ask you, please – no gifts. Instead, entrance fee: \$10.00

*Joan Beattie & Ronald Routhier*

## NEW BOOKS IN MCDC LIBRARY

**Hill Tales** by Steven L. Cameron  
**The Paris Wife** by Paula McLain (the extraordinary love affair between Ernest Hemingway and his first wife which involves ambition & betrayal)

The 5 "CBC Canada Reads" books:

**The inconvenient Indian**

**Intolerable**

**Ru**

**When everything feels like the movies**

**And the Birds Rained Down**

## CONGRATS TO OUR GRADUATES:



**Congratulations to the 2015 A.S. Johnson High School graduating class:** Alain Vachon, Brian Houley, Lanny Dodier- Isabelle, Hudson Blatter, Jean-Samuel Drouin, John Setlakwe, Karel Gourde, Laury Nadeau, Nadia Jacques, Randy Nutbrown, Samuel Gagné, Sarah-Maude Turcotte, William Binette.

## MILESTONES



➤ Our deepest condolences to Aline Visser and her family around the loss of her sister Tina.

Happy Birthday to Don Beattie, Margaret Cruickshank, Pauline Davidson, Richard Fowler, Pauline Nutbrown, Edward Powell, Joan Beattie Routhier, Ronald Routhier, Louise Triganne, and Jean Wright who will be celebrating their birthdays in July and August.

Get well wishes going out to Ulric Nutbrown who was recently hospitalized. We hope you're on the mend!