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Gaspé greets Queen Mary II

Wendy Dawson

GASPÉ: - In preparation for her royal guest, the town of Gaspé put her best foot forward. As if custom ordered, the sky was cloudless, the temperature was unseasonably warm for an early October day and the skyline was bursting with the colours of the fall foliage.

In the photo the Queen Mary II can be seen anchored in Gaspé Bay. Shuttles are used to transport the hundreds of passengers to and from the ship. Those who choose to explore can tour the town or participate in organized excusions in and around Gaspé and Percé.

More on the Queen Mary II's visit in next week's issue of SPEC.



Mental health forum set for November

CHANDLER: - A forum to discuss access to mental health

Gilles Gagné struggles with anxiety, a condition which struck her at age 18.

"I spent years struggling with all kinds of irrational fears. and like so many people, was ashamed to admit it. Then I got help from the Freedom From Fear Foundation and in just a few weeks, my situation began to improve. One thing we want to discuss at the forum is how to encourage people to come

people are prevented from getting the support they need in this day and age. Every one of us faces mental challenges eiare all powerful healers," she states.

A series of short presentations by representatives of aboMartin, Tom Payette, Brenda Ross-Jerome and Jessica Synnott. Sponsors of the forum include AMI-Québec, CASA,

and addictions services in English will be held on November 3 at the long-term care facility in Chandler. The event chairperson, Cynthia Dow, thinks it's a first.

"As far as I know, members of the English-speaking and First Nations communities have never had the opportunity to sit down and discuss their needs when it comes to mental health and addictions. Mental well-being should be on everyone's agenda, because statistics show that by age 40, about half of Canadians will have experienced some kind of mental health challenge," she explains.

Her interest in mental wellness comes from her own

Statistics from the Canadian Mental Health Association indicate that about 50% of those suffering from depression or anxiety do not reach out for help.

forward for help," she adds.

"People are afraid of being judged by others," points out Cynthia Dow. "They are afraid of the repercussions on their relationships, their jobs, their social lives. It's unacceptable that

ther directly or through a loved one, whether that challenge is the result of grief, trauma, addictions, or the impact of an illness."

Regional mental health organizations are asked to bring information about their services to the event for distribution. Cynthia Dow indicates that access to quality public and private services is vital, but community members can also do a lot to help each other.

"One thing I would like to hear at the forum is ideas about how we can create activities so people feel empowered to enhance their own mental wellbeing. Social connections, spiritual activities, and nature riginal organizations and the provincial health care system will kick off the day.

The results of a report outlining mental health issues in the region will be presented by doctor Joanne Pocock, a researcher with the Community Health and Social Services Network. Then participants will break into small groups to share their ideas about community needs, access to services in English, and how to reduce stigma.

The event was organized by a small task force including William Allmand, Marie-Claude Brière, Cathy Brown, Rev Nicholas Forte, Fay Gallon, Cheryl Henry, Tammy

CHSSN, the CISSS and Vision Gaspé-Percé Now.

"We really hope a broad selection of community members, from Matapedia to Gaspé, will join us in Chandler on November 3rd to help us create an action plan for the future," Cynthia said.

To register for the all-day event, people can contact CASA at 418-752-5995 or go to http://mental health addictions forum.eventbrite.ca/. Deadline for registration is October 25. While the event is free for community members, professionals and representatives from organizations are being asked to pay a \$20 fee to help cover organizational costs.



Housing problems for seniors

Thierry Haroun

GASPÉ: - A recent study shows that seniors of the Gaspé Côte-de-Gaspé MRC have housing problems. The study is based on interviews with 80 people (56 Francophones and 34 Anglophones), 70% are women. The average age is 80, 70% are 75 and over and 12 are 90 or more. 43 live by themselves and 11 with a spouse. The study shows that their needs are multiple and diversed; that there's a need for simplified and centralized information. The director of *Regroupement Santé Jeunesse Côte-de-Gaspé*, Valérie Legault, says "the document clearly demonstrates that there are vulnerable people with a need of housing. What is important here to retain is that all the players concerned by this issue must pull together and act in a coherent manner for the betterment of all." All in all, 340 people are on a list for a place to stay adapted to their needs.

No more heavy trucks

Thierry Haroun

CHANDLER: - Heavy trucks are now forbidden on the Greater Chandler Municipal roads. The Town Council passed this resolution on October 3. "We've decided to pass this resolution after many citizens' complaints concerning noise and dust. People couldn't keep their windows open because of the dust, they had to wash them every day," explains the deputy mayor, Christian Dea, who's replacing Louisette Langlois. Langlois has been suspended by the Québec Municipality Commission for 45 days, starting October 3, for ethics reasons. Heavy trucks will be allowed to use municipal roads for delivery purposes only. The heavy trucks will have permission to use certain roads that will be determined in advance by the Town and the trucking companies (for wood transport, for instance).



Helping to "Jog your Mind"

Wendy Dawson

DOUGLASTOWN: - Vision-Gaspé Percé Now in partnership with the CHSSN, CISSS Cavendish, Health Canada, and CREGÉS, will soon be launching a new series of workshops entitled "Jog Your Mind".

The information series and accompanying workshops were developed to help encourage and promote a healthy lifestyle while focusing on factors that affect cognitive vitality.

Memory changes can be frustrating. Experts agree that focus, concentration and memory in seniors can be negatively affected by a number of different factors such as anxiety, isolation, health problems and lethargy. That said, research done by the CSSS-CAU Cavendish Prevention/Promotion in Health and Aging (PPHA) team, showed that a brain, even one that is at an advanced age, if regularly stimulated can maintain its ability to restructure itself in a positive Their study also way. showed that "a change in lifestyle, most notably in physical activity, can have a positive effect on seniors' cognitive performance, and these effects can still be measured after several months, even years after the end of participation in a program."

It is with that research that the members of the PPHA team in Montreal developed the "Jog your Mind" series. The idea was to develop a cost-effective program that would be easy to implement in different communities that could be overseen by trained volunteers.

"Jog Your Mind" workshop participants will be taught about the effects of aging on memory and will be given the skills and taught tricks to help improve their memories and keep their



minds sharp.

Vision-Gaspé Percé Now will be hosting the workshops on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., beginning November 10 at the Douglastown Community Centre.

Group sizes are limited to 12 persons per session therefore interested participants are asked to register in advance by calling the Vision office at 418-368-3212. There will be a \$5 cost to participants per session in order to help cover the costs of materials



The Old Post Office

One of my fondest memories of New Carlisle stems from the late 30s and early 40s. A place, where as a child, I looked forward to going, a place full of hustle and bustle...a place full of familiar smiling faces. This place was the New Carlisle post office which was on the corner of Main and Sheppard Street. It was a great place to catch up with old friends and make new ones. Many conversations took place at the old post office.

When the postmen sorted the mail, there was always a large crowd of people waiting for their parcels and letters. The post office always had great energy and everyone was always happy to be out and about. When you entered the post office you were in a large room. In that room there were post office boxes and two wickets. One wicket was for people who did not have a box. This one was also used by everyone to mail letters. The other one was to receive your parcels or to mail them. My parents had box 70, I remember it like it was yesterday. I recall going in and reaching up to that box to get the mail and being so proud while I did it. To me that was a big responsibility. The best time and most exciting time was at Christmas when all the Christmas mail came in. My mother mailed a lot of cards back in those days, but what was even better was all the Christmas cards we would receive! It was so much fun to see where all her cards came from. If you received a package, the postman would place a card in your box marked "Parcel", then the postmaster or his assistant would open the big wicket to give you your parcel. I remember the excitement I would feel waiting to see what my mother received!

Some people would wait to hear the train blow before walking to the post office because then they knew the mail was in. Others would sit and look out their windows waiting to see the horse and cart passing, hauling the mail. During the war we also met many of the men and women who were home on leave during Christmas on our post office visits. I can still see them looking so dignified and sharp standing there in their armed forces uniforms.

Photo: J. Imhoff

Heritage New Carlisle exhibit

Joan Imhoff

NEW CARLISLE: - Heritage New Carlisle held a grand opening of the temporary exhibition, "People of the Quilt" on Friday, September 30 with a wine and cheese at the Kempffer House. The exhibition showcases some works by Marion Nelson Poirier, Margaret LeHuquet-Annett, Elaine Almond, and other local artists. The centerpiece of the exhibit is the quilt signed by 70 loyalist families of New Carlisle. The Kempffer House is open Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the exhibit will be open until Sunday, October 30. Today the old post office is no longer there. It has been torn down like so many other beautiful buildings in New Carlisle. The memories of the old post office building will last forever in my heart.



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CHALEUR TERMINALS: Micmac communities to concentrate on federal lawsuit

Gilles Gagné

LISTUGUJ: – The Mi'gmaq of Listuguj, Gesgapegiag and Gespeg will concentrate on the federal tribunal lawsuit to reverse the decision made by the Government of Canada to approve the Chaleur Terminals' project to export oil using the New Brunswick harbour of Belledune.

Using the Migmawei Mawiomi Secretariat, a development body common to the three communities as the organization to file their lawsuit, the Mi'gmaq of the Gaspé Peninsula are hoping to overthrow previous approvals also granted by the Government of New Brunswick and the Port of Belledune.

The Migmawei Mawiomi Secretariat will therefore refrain from appealing an August Court of Queen's Bench decision that dismissed the application made by the Mi'gmaq of the Gaspé in order to stop the project of Chaleur Terminals Inc.

"We won't be appealing that decision, but we will continue with the federal court case. We are trying to increase the awareness of the project. It will affect a lot of people. It will not only affect the people of the area. We are only located at one end of the project. We are near the place where the oil will be loaded in ships, but between Western Canada and here, the trains will pass in other provinces and present a potential hazard," says the chief of Listuguj, Darcy Gray.

As in the case submitted to the Court of Queen's Beach, the Migmawei Mawiomi Secretariat argues that the federal government, in allowing Chaleur Terminals to continue with its project, failed to re-

Photo: G. Gagné

The chief of Listuguj, Darcy Gray, says the Mi'gmaq communities of the Gaspé Peninsula now concentrate their efforts on the federal court case.

The court case could be long. The federal tribunal was notified of the file in July. "We are at a preliminary stage only," points out Darcy Gray.

Chaleur Terminals Inc. is a subsidiary of Calgary-based Secure Energy Services Inc. The project consists of two unit trains loaded with crude oil going to Belledune daily, where the export terminal, which remains to be built, would be used to store that oil before shipping it away. The capacity of the terminal would hover around 120,000 barrels a day.

Aboriginal opposition so far looks like one of the main blocks upon which the Alberta quest to establish access to new markets could stumble, whether pipelines or rail cars are used to reach one of Canada's coasts.

The Mi'gmaq communities are entertaining hope that a previous court decision to reverse a regulatory approval of Enbridge's Northern Gateway pipeline will apply again. That judgement was based on the grounds that the federal government had not consulted the First Nations properly, or sought accommodation regarding their concern about the venture. The Mi gmaq communities fear a derailment of the unit trains Canadian National is supposed to use to haul crude oil between Alberta or Saskatchewan and Belledune. A derailment along the Matapedia River, the Restigouche River or along the Bay of Chaleur would have hugely detrimental effects on the population of salmon, among

other species.

The Migmawei Mawiomi Secretariat also worries about the proper maintenance of the Canadian National line linking Mont-Joli and Belledune. The management of the Secretariat is also concerned that a tanker could trigger an oil spill while loading hydrocarbons or once navigating after leaving Belledune.

"There has simply been absolutely no effort on the part of the Government of Canada to consult or accommodate the applicants in relation to the project and its potentially devastating impacts on the applidespite repeated cants, requests that it do so," mentions one of the documents filed by the Migmawei Mawiomi Secretariat to the federal court.

Chaleur Terminals Inc. has so far challenged the contention that the project requires a thorough assessment of rail and marine tanker traffic.

Police report

The trial of Steven Gagné, 28, from New Richmond, charged with impaired driving causing death, and hit and run causing death resumed on October 3 at the New Carlisle courthouse with the witnesses of the defence. The victim, Donald Powell, 50, from the Black Cape area in New Richmond was struck by a vehicle on the night of July 23, 2012 near the intersection of Perron Boulevard and the road leading to the wharf.

Steven Gagné allegedly struck Mr. Powell with his car. He turned himself in to the New Richmond Sûreté du Québec police station at about 8 a.m. on July 23, three-and-a-half hours after the victim's body was found by a driver. His girlfriend, Carolane Poirier, was in the car when the accident occurred. She is charged with hit and run causing death and obstructing a peace officer in the execution of his duty. Her trial is scheduled for later this fall.

In July, 15 witnesses were heard at the request of the crown prosecutor. The continuance of the trial was then set to October 3 which is expected to last 10 days. If found guilty, Steven Gagné is liable to a maximum sentence of imprisonment for life.

At the end of October 2014, the preliminary hearings of Steven Gagné and Carolane Poirier were heard jointly, because the witnesses and experts were the same in both cases.

The Quebec Chiefs of Police Association, the Sûreté du Québec, the City of Montreal Police Department and the Société d'assurance-automobile du Québec revealed that 2,600 tickets were issued between September 26 and October 2 during a province-wide operation destined to raise awareness about concentration at the wheel. The main target was the use of cellular phones and texting while driving; tickets for other infractions were also issued.



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spect the Natives.

"We haven't been consulted. The process adopted by the federal government bypassed the First Nations too easily. There is an obligation to consult and it was not done," adds Darcy Gray.

He also justifies the recourse made at the federal level through the fact that the Mi'gmaq are living in a territory, Gesgapewagi, covering both sides of the Restigouche River and the Bay of Chaleur, thus reducing the impact of the New Brunswick judgement. "There is a provincial border but we use both sides," he adds.

The company argues the project under review consists only of the proposed new terminal, and states that rail and marine traffic are covered by existing regulations. In August, Judge Lucie

LaVigne, of the New Brunswick Court of Queen's Bench, dismissed the application made by the Mi'gmaq of the Gaspé Peninsula in order to stop the project of Chaleur Terminals Inc.

The Migmawei Mawiomi Secretariat also alleged that the Government of New

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Commentary

Gilles Gagné

More transparency is required from public employees and politicians

Two recent situations: one in Ottawa and one in Quebec City, showed that a lot of politicians are incredibly disconnected from the reality of the average citizen. The two situations deal with the expenses that are considered acceptable by the Parliament of Canada and Quebec's National Assembly.

In September, in Ottawa, it became public knowledge that Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's top two political staffers had spent a total amount of almost \$207,000 when they moved from Toronto to Ottawa, where Katie Telford and Gerald Butts took new jobs. That amount was reimbursed to them by the government.

In Quebec City, following a request formulated by the Canadian Press, all the Members of the National Assembly from the Liberal Party, the Parti Québécois and Coalition Avenir Québec have refused to provide details about the bills they submit in order to get reimbursed for their second residence, generally an apartment, in the capital. They have even refused to divulge the total amount they have claimed and received.

Only three Members of the National Assembly, Amir Khadir, Françoise David and Manon Massé, all representing Québec solidaire, have accepted to make public the total amounts they

etters to the Editor

I want to thank you for including my letter to the Editor concerning the article "People of the Quilt" by Diane Skinner Flowers.

There is one correction. The sister of my father (William Thomas Smith Caldwell) is Myrle. not Myrtle as written up in the article. Peter Caldwell Brossard, QC

have received over the last two budgetary years. On the average, they claimed \$8,000 per year to have an apartment in Québec City. The National Assembly rules have fixed the maximum amount to \$15,300.

In Ottawa, the situation is all the more worrisome, given that Justin Trudeau first defended the expenses claimed by Ms. Telford and Mr. Butts, on the basis that they had respected long-standing rules. We are talking here about amounts of \$80,382 and \$126,669 respectively.

Together they have reimbursed a total of \$64,000 of \$207,051 but even then, it seems exaggerated that moving between Toronto and Ottawa cost \$71,500 per family, even if some expenses like the commission and fees charged by the real estate agent are admissible. Who in the ordinary world can claim \$23,373.71 in "personalized cash payout and incidentals," like Ms. Telford, or \$20,799.10 in Mr. Butts' case while preparing a move and actually moving between Toronto and Ottawa?

It took the simple admission of Katie Telford and Gerald Butts to the effect that they had gone too far in their expense claim, despite respecting the regulations, to prompt Justin Trudeau into asking the top public servant at Treasury Board to review the government's rules pertaining to employees' compensations for moves.

The issue also led to two additional reimbursements by chiefs of staff, as Julian Ovens, of Foreign Affairs, paid back \$32,130 of a moving fee of \$119,825, while Elder Margues, of the Innovation department, remitted \$21,467 of the \$103,997 he had received.

No wonder our politicians and their staff often make decisions that are far removed from the citizens' priorities.

In Quebec City, the numbers might not be as spectacular, considering that taking an apart-

ment in the capital cannot cost more than \$15,300 per annum, based on current rules.

However, the very principle of refusing to change article 34 of the Access to information law, which could be renamed "non-access to information law" for the purpose, has the public reeling about what a large majority of National Assembly Members want to hide.

In March National Assembly president Jacques Chagnon insisted on saying that "our organization is a lot clearer on what we accept and what we don't" with regards to Members of National Assembly's expenses.

If the control of those expenses is that strict, why are ordinary citizens unable to check for themselves? In Ottawa, at least a summary of Members of Parliament's expenses is available.

Transparency should be one of the cornerstones of Canada and Quebec's society. The access to information law should apply to everybody and every organization exercising a public duty, as well as to the subsidiaries of those organizations. The National Assembly and the Canadian Parliament should be one of those organizations.

When will politicians realize that hiding simple facts causes more harm than good? The expenses coming from people's taxes should be subjected to transparency. The current situation, in Quebec and Ottawa, is increasing the public's level of cynicism. This situation has detrimental effects on people's interest in politics and, by extension, on democracy.

Our governments need to be reminded of the importance of certain values by their constituents. That is why the reflection period initiated by the "Coalition to ensure the long-term survival of print news media in Quebec" must go beyond people's brains. The population must express its will to keep its media diversity and quality.



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Prenez avis que Laura Anne Arsenault dont l'adresse de domicile est le 8c Riverside West, Listuguj, Quebec, G0C 2R0 présentera au Directeur de l'état civil une demande pour changer son nom en celui de Laura Anne Sook.

Cet avis a été rempli et signé à Listuguj le 21-09-2016, par Laura Arsenault.



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Percé could become first Gaspesian town to use beach reloading technique

Gilles Gagné

PERCÉ: – The Town of Percé could become the first Gaspé Peninsula town to reload its beaches with sand and gravel, in an attempt to curtail erosion and protect its boardwalk. The use of this technique represents a significant portion of its boardwalk rebuilding project's cost.

The boardwalk has to be rebuilt because it has been heavily damaged by several storms since 2005. The preliminary cost of rebuilding amounts to approximately \$15 million, but some engineering studies remain to be carried out. That amount includes the introduction of measures to protect the boardwalk.

"Beach reloading and the addition of artificial reefs are part of the boardwalk rebuilding project. It will have to be repeated every 10 to 15 years. The current project includes approximately 50,000 cubic metres. It is the equivalent of 80,000 to 100,000 tonnes, to be deposited on the beach and in the water," explains Félix Caron, director general of the Town of Percé.

So far, the beach reloading method has been used in some specific locations in neighbouring regions, like in Sainte-Luce, the Lower Saint Lawrence, and near Sept-Îles on the North Shore. In the Magdalen Islands, some dredging sediments have also been used to protect a few shoreline locations.

According to Ouranos, an independent research group that has been studying coastal erosion for more than 10 years, a thick layer of sand and gravel on a beach reduces the energy of the waves hitting the shore and therefore erosion. In some cases, that earthy cushion even opens the door to an accumu-



The boardwalk received extensive damage since 2005. Some storms left huge holes in the structure and depleted the beach of sand and gravel.

of the wharf and it acts as protection. It is clear during storms. The waves are stopped by that thick layer," says Félix Caron.

The Town of Percé project was submitted to a number of government departments at the beginning of 2016. In Quebec, the ministries of Municipal Affairs, Environment, Tourism, Public Security and Transportation were asked to contribute. Federally, Canada Economic Development was solicited for funding.

The Town of Percé is aiming for 100% government funding. The boardwalk was built in 1973-1974 by the Quebec government and its ownership was transferred to the Town of Percé in 1998, along with the adjacent small building operated by the tourism board. An amount of \$200,000 was provided at the time to be used for the building's interior and for future maintenance of the boardwalk, an amount that proved highly insufficient.

The cost of \$15 million for

the rebuilding of the boardwalk was assessed in 2013-2014 by BPR, an engineering company now called Tetra-Tech.

"A significant part of the work will consist of hauling sand, gravel and small rocks from a quarry to the shoreline. We think that we have a quarry in Percé that could supply the type of stone needed for the beach. One is located 10 kilometres from the beach. If we have to get it 50 kilometres away, the cost will increase. That's why we think that the final cost could be between \$15 and \$20 million," adds Mr. Caron.

He thinks work could get underway in 2018. In the meantime, the Town of Percé has put up towers explaining the effects of erosion in the boardwalk area. Some visitors have found it so informative that they think the municipal administration should make a permanent exhibit with the interpretation material.

"Rebuilding the boardwalk

will require one year of work. It is not super-complicated. We will haul gravel, lay it, put in artificial reefs slightly off the coast to cut down the power of the waves, and rebuild the boardwalk. It will affect one tourist season but a large portion of the work can be carried out during the off-season. We also have to take into account certain critical periods of fish spawning," says Félix Caron.

The use of barges or scows will be needed for the installation of artificial reefs.

The Town of Percé is counting on a cost-advantage study completed by Ouranos to justify the relevance of protecting the area's shoreline. Ouranos concludes that leaving Percé unprotected over the next 50 years would have an economic impact of \$700 million in lost revenues.

If rebuilt with protection, the boardwalk would last more than 30 years, according to Félix Caron. "We will have to reload the beach every 10 to 15 years," he points out.

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Brunswick had not sufficiently consulted the three Gaspesian Native communities regarding Chaleur Terminals' project to build a terminal destined to export oil.

As a matter of fact, the Mi'gmaq were challenging the April 2015 issuance of three permits by the Government of New Brunswick, permits that were linked to the construction of a rail terminal, the construction of a transfer system and the construction of the buildings required by Chaleur Terminals for administrative purposes, the storage of oil and the loading of ships.

Judge LaVigne stated that the application filed by the Natives was dismissed because the Government of New Brunswick held consultation between the issuance of the "certification of determination to proceed," on July 17, 2014, and the issuance of the construction approvals and permits, in April 2015.

"It has not been established that the minister acted unreasonably in issuing approvals," Judge LaVigne emphasized in her conclusions.

"I am not persuaded that the province's efforts at consultation fell below the level required to fulfil its obligation. The province engaged in consultation that was not perfect; however, when viewed as a whole, it was reasonable," underlined Judge LaVigne in her verdict.

Chaleur Terminals has postponed the implementation of its terminal several times since the spring of 2014. The company has bought a large property in Belledune's industrial park. Secure Energy president John Levson said in June that the company was still seeking commercial partnerships before moving on with the venture.

Timeline: Percé's recent storms



lation of the sediments carried by the waves.

In Percé, the area targeted by the eventual beach reloading operation is known. "We are talking about 1.3 km of coast. It would go from the Morutière Restaurant, near the Riôtel Inn, on the west side, adjacent to Percé Rock. The part that needs the most work is on the west side of the wharf, from the Maison du pêcheur restaurant up to the Morutière. The east side of the wharf has not been that affected over the years. There is a solid layer of sand accumulated because of the presence

and their effects on the boardwalk

2005: The boardwalk sustains its first major damage, in the sector of the Maison du pêcheur Restaurant.

2006, 2007 and 2008 : Yearly storms affect the same Maison du pêcheur area, just west of the wharf, as well as the pool sector. The total cost for years 2005 to 2008 amounts to between \$300,000 and \$400,000.

December 2010: The boardwalk sustains its biggest damage so far, in the area of the Normandie hotel and the parking lot of SÉPAQ, the body managing the Percé Rock and Bonaventure Island Park. The cost is \$900,000, funded by the Quebec government.

October 2015 and January 2016: Two huge storms damage the boardwalk once more, this time in front of the heritage buildings, the Bell House and the Pirate. The estimated cost of repair stands at \$1 million. The Town of Percé decides to stop repairing the old boardwalk and concentrate on rebuilding the new one. The structure of the boardwalk is damaged over the whole west stretch spanning between the wharf and the Morutière restaurant.

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Who was William Wakeham?

Who was William Wakeham and why should we care? He is, and was, a Gaspesian notable and although he was not born on the Gaspé Peninsula he left his mark. And the Gaspé left its mark on him. The name Wakeham has been given to nine geographical features, including in the Hudson Strait, the Saguenay, and of course the town of Wakeham right here on the Gaspé.

William Wakeham was reportedly handsome with a weather beaten face due to the lengthy periods he spent at sea. At one time he knew this coast better than any man and served Gaspesians as a physician and as a fisheries officer.

Wakeham was born in Quebec City in 1844 and educated at Victoria College in Cobourg, in what was then called Upper Canada. After graduating he returned to Quebec City and attended the School of Military instruction. After graduation from there, he studied medicine in Montreal, and obtained his license to practice medicine in 1866. Clearly a productive and successful student.

After this Wakeham moved to the Gaspé where he practiced medicine for approximately ten years. Then William returned to Quebec City where he became the head doctor for three years at the Belmont Retreat for alcoholics. His research into this field led to the publication of his findings on the causes of alcoholism. But this was the point when his medical career ended because he chose to return to the Gaspé, but not to practice medicine.

His new career was as an inspector of Canadian fisheries around 1879. His territory included the Gulf of St. Lawrence and Labrador. His mandate was to ensure the protection of the fishing industry. He wrote yearly reports on his findings. His job also involved hearing the complaints and disputes of fishermen and fishing companies. He had the authority to enforce certain laws pertaining to maritime law and to issue fishing permits.

He was reportedly the ideal person for this job. Much was expected of him and he fulfilled his duties admirably. He settled boundary disputes between the U.S. and Canada. The results of his efforts led to the establishment of an international commission on fishing in our area and beyond. He was also concerned about pollution which demonstrates that he was a man ahead of his time. All of his research and study provided the basis for future international fishing agreements. He also was an explorer and led expeditions to the Hudson strait. The results of these trips include asserting the rights of Canada near Baffin Island and in the Arctic. Then in 1909, Wakeham was asked to complete a study about lobster fishing and whether it was being overfished and to predict the future of lobster fishing on the Gaspé. He had concerns about this and it led to the creation of a national policy so that lobster fishing would be monitored and regulated by the government. It seems a pity that the same regulations were not in place for cod fishing. After this Wakeham retired and moved into the house then referred to as "one Ash' in the town of Gaspé. Wakeham's legacy is he "knew the coast, its natural and its human history, as no one else could." This was according to John Mason Clarke, a noted paleontologist of the time. Wakeham never wrote his memoirs but we can conclude he likely loved the Gaspé Peninsula, because he established a beautiful home here and returned here to end his days. Wakeham never married, but devoted his life to his work. He did not seek fame or glory that was not his style. He loved, as we do, the peaceful life of the Gaspé Coast. He died in Gaspé in1915.

PERCÉ GEOPARK: Back from international conference in England

Thierry Haroun

PERCÉ: - Percé Geopark executive director, Cathy Poirier, is back from an important summit held in England. She was there to present the site's activities, a major step towards an eventual recognition from UN-ESCO.

Cathy Poirier and Geopark employee Caroline Leroy, participated at the 7th Geopark International Conference held by UNESCO that took place September 26-30 at the England Riviera UNESCO Geopark. More than 700 representatives from Geoparks around the world gathered at this meeting to build bridges, create partnerships and share experiences. "It was a real success for us. I'm very satisfied with our presentation under the theme 'Governance committed by community'. We made many contacts. It was so important to be there and to share our unique experience and way of governing," Cathy Poirier told SPEC shortly after her return from England.

"Geoparks around the world are like a big family. A summit like this is an opportunity to share our experiences, network and so forth. Our Geopark in Percé is quite unique given that we have a way of governing by committees and with the community. That really impresses many. We also are unique in a way because many Geoparks don't have access to public funding. We're unique in yet another way because we not only have an educational approach to the landscape surrounding the Mont-Ste-Anne and historical geology site in Percé, but we also favour a business approach in terms of geotourism. We have activities that give us revenues (camping sites, park-



Photo: Geoparc de Percé

From left to right: Caroline Leroy (Percé Geopark employee), Richard Powe (director of England Riviera UNESCO Geopark) and Cathy Poirier (Percé Géopark executive director)

ing, multimedia room, etc.) which will allow us to ensure financial security of the site. Another thing is that our Geopark is only 550 square km, compared to some that reach 2000 square km and even 8000 square km such as the one in British Columbia," adds Cathy Poirier.

Next step

The next step for Percé's Geopark is to get the official Geopark Certification from UNESCO. The timetable is as follows says Cathy Poirier. The official candidacy will be presented on November 30 at the latest. The candidacy will be assessed by UNESCO's experts in February 2017. If need be, those experts will come to Percé in person to assess the site between May 1 and August 15. If the experts approve the candidacy, it will be announced in April 2018.

The Geopark in Percé is open year round. This summer, more than 12,000 people visited the main pavilion and 20,000 people have used the camping facilities. Details in English can be found at Geopark's website, geoparcperce. com



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Classy Glass Studios Stained glass, beach glass and fused glass creations

Wendy **Dawson**

The Made in ... series profiles locally created products available throughout the Gaspé Peninsula.

DOUGLASTOWN: - Tucked away a little distance off of Trachy Street right across from Douglastown's Community Center is where you will find Classy Glass Studios, Nancy Wright-Clapson's glass studio and boutique.

From a distance the house looks as if it is made from gingerbread and when the door is opened by the small and dynamic ball of energy that is Nancy Wright-Clapson, you are immediately swept up by her vitality and her charm.

Nancy Wright-Clapson's workshop and boutique are located in a house that has been in her family for 6 generations and at its present location since 1882.

Nancy's trade quite literally fell into her lap when in 2002, while staying with her companion in Iowa and sifting through the mail in her lap, she came upon a flyer for adult education courses in stained glass. An artist of many mediums throughout her life, she had always been interested in the idea of working with stained glass but had not been able to find courses in the region that were offered in English. The courses offered while visiting the USA gave her the opportunity to explore her interest and she has been working with that medium full time ever since. Six teachers later, Nancy says that she is still learning, although she is now a teacher in the art of glass herself.

The conversation quickly turns to beach glass. As is the case with most Gaspesians, Nancy is a beachcomber of the beach glass variety. She explains that good beach glass must be "ripe", and that if she finds a piece that isn't quite up to snuff, she is quick to toss it back into the waters to let Mother Nature work her magic. She even feeds "the gods" at the end of the tourist season by smashing up bottles and throwing the pieces to the sea, in hopes of having them returned to her later on, worn with the toss of the saltwater waves against the sand and the rocks of the shoreline.

Her beach glass creations are only about a third of what she does. Most of her lamps and panels are created in the traditional way. The difference when only using beach glass is the freedom of creating freestyle, with no particular design in mind. Often times she will incorporate both beach and stained glass together within one piece with decorative soldering for added texture. She collects all the beach glass pieces herself and claims that there are only five beaches that she visits, although in the interview, she sheepishly refused to name her preferred spot.

Each glass piece that Nancy works with must be foiled before it is soldered to another piece. This is a process that requires each piece be wrapped in a metal ribbon, creating a framework for the pieces to be soldered together. She explains that she likes to work with texture, the more the better, and so in addition to stained glass, broken plates, beach glass and shells, she also makes her own fused beads in the kiln.

To make a small lamp shade, Nancy Wright-Clapson says she needs about three days, but that does not take into account the many hours put into collecting the glass or foiling each piece.

In 2006, Nancy Wright-Clapson decided to share her passion and began offering



Nancy Wright-Clapson shows off some of her sea glass collection.

courses in glass work. She prefers working with smaller groups, of four or six students, and courses are usually offered from May until August. Those that think they might be interested can take a three-hour introductory course or can purchase a block of 18 hours for more intensive training. The cost of taking the introductory course includes all materials required for the course. For the 18-hour block, students are required to purchase their own tools and materials.

The boutique at Classy Glass Studios is filled with a ing to Iowa where she spends the winter months with her companion. This is when she works on creations for next year's sale as well as on commission pieces. She is also invited to compose tutorials for industry magazines on some of her creations and methods.

At Classy Glass Studios you can find pieces that sell for as little as \$7 or spend as much as several hundred dollars on a customized piece. Other than at her boutique, Nancy Wright-Clapson's creations can be found at the Centre culturel in l'Anse au Griffon or at le Café des Couleurs in Barachois. You can also find more information about Nancy and her creations or enquire about her courses by contacting her through her personal facebook page. Stepping away from the house and boutique, what looked like gingerbread from a distance is now defined as walls bearing a collection of intricately cut and designed shingles, filled with hidden symbols and shapes that are only limited by the whimsy of their designer. "Let me show you my workshop!", she says. Clearly Nancy Wright-Clapson is not quite done creating yet!



Some of the examples of Nancy's work at her Classy Glass Boutique in Douglastown.

variety of beautiful items, however, lamps and wild and delightful glass kaleidoscopes are her "big thing" as she puts it. Each lamp has its own character and the hand-held kaleidoscopes, marble scopes and wand scopes are so magical that they will manage to bring out the kid in everyone. They are also her favorite type of creation "I am hopelessly hooked," she says.

For now, Classy Glass Studios is wrapping up the 2016 summer season and soon Nancy Wright-Clapson will be closing up both her house and her boutique and will be head-

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Gaspé to host the Pan American **Masters Weightlifting Championships in 2018**

Gilles Gagné

GASPÉ: – Gaspé will host the 2018 Pan American Masters Weightlifting Championships, an event that should welcome at least 300 competitors from North, Central and South America. The announcement is the result of an application filed by Yves Carignan, president of the Halt-Héros Club, Gaspé's weightlifting organization.

At first, Mr. Carignan, who was attending the 2016 Pan American Masters Weightlifting Championships in Puerto Rico in June, was targeting 2017 for Gaspé.

"The selection committee announced that the 2017 championships will go to the Dominican Republic and then declared in the same breath that Gaspé would hold them in 2018. I accepted. We have the potential to make an exceptional event," says Mr. Carignan.

Besides managing the Halt-Héros Club in Gaspé, Yves Carignan is well known for his career as a lobster fisherman, which ended this year when he sold his permit, and as a former Olympic Games weightlifter. He competed in Montreal in 1976.

Now aged 65, he won the Pan American Masters Weightlifting Championships in June in Puerto Rico in the 62 kilo class. "I am aiming for the



Photo: G. Gagné

Yves Carignan is still training and participated in the World Masters Weightlifting Championship in Germany. The photo shows him performing last year at the same championship, in Finland. He was 64 at the time.

gold medal at the World Masters Championships, at the end of the month, in Germany," he adds.

The Gaspé candidacy was supported by most Latin American countries. Yves Carignan also negotiated to get the support of the United States representatives by convincing the Americans not to hold a parallel Americas Cup in the United States at the same time as the Pan American Masters Weightlifting Championships, next year and in 2018.

"Close to 80% of the competitors come from the United States. Everybody would lose if an Americas Cup is held at the same time," says Mr. Carignan

He thinks the 300 competitor target is a modest one. "If we can get transportation packages, I really think that we can get 500 competitors. Some competitors from Latin America are not rich. We have to get chartered planes of 70 seats between Montreal and Gaspé. It is feasible. Otherwise, we will be hampered by the rates. It costs as much to fly between Montreal and Gaspé, (about \$700) with an off-peak season reservation, as between Sao Paolo and Montreal. It doesn't make sense," says Mr. Carignan.

The championships will be held near mid-June, before the end of the elementary-secondary school year. The Cegep

semester will be over, which will facilitate the use of the Gaspé Cegep sports centre, where the competitions will likely be held.

"There will be space available in the hotels and it will be easier to arrange lodging packages. This will contribute to inincreased attendance," explains Yves Carignan.

He praises the support of the Town of Gaspé in the organization of the event. "I feel well backed. A town employee will be designated to help me, to help us in fact because I received a lot of calls from people who want to volunteer and sit on the board. I am also organizing the World Masters Weightlifting Championships in Montreal in 2019 and it is easier to get support in Gaspé."

He is confident that the Gaspé event will be successful. "Everything is possible for Gaspé. The championship will be held during the lobster and crab fishing season. The main tourist attractions will be open but not overcrowded. I am thinking of getting the Town of Percé involved, for lodging and for the attractions. If we can take care of the transportation issues, we will have an outstanding event."

The athletes participating in the Gaspé event will be divided into age groups starting at 35 and going up to 85, by increments of five years.

"Physical activity is gaining in popularity. During the last championships, the oldest age class was 80-years and older. We are actually thinking of dividing that class in two, with an 80-85 age category, and an over 85 class. It would be fairer, given the increasing competition," explains Yves Carignan.

The athletes are also divided in weight classes. There are eight weight classes for men, up to 110 kilograms and over, and seven for female athletes. "Women represent between 35 and 40% of our participants. As time passes, we have an increasing number of women. They train just as seriously and people will be impressed to see how much they lift. You have to realize the extent of the progress made by female weightlifters. At the Montreal Olympic Games, there was no weightlifting for women. It started in the 1980s and it has been growing since," he says.

The athletes must meet a certain number of conditions before registering for the Masters Weightlifting Champiincluding onships, lift standards.

Yves Carignan will be 67 in 2018 and he intends to be part of the Gaspé competition even though he will be very busy with the organization. "It has to be fun too and participating is my ultimate reward."

CANADA'S STRONGEST MAN CONTEST: Hantony Landry finishes fifth and tying his best result

Gilles Gagné

RICHMOND: NEW Hantony Landry of New Richmond, finished fifth at Canada's Strongest Man contest, which took place on September 10 and 11 in Dubreuilville, Ontario. He tied his best ranking, obtained in 2013. The title was won by Jean-François Caron, who won his sixth consecutive Canadian championship, a record. He is a native of Les Hauteurs, a Lower St. Lawrence village located near Mont-Joli.

New Richmond. It is coming along though," he explains.

Canada's Strongest Man contest is comprised of eight events. The four events on the first day were the axel deadlift, with weights ranging between 750 and 925 pounds, the medley press, with a mix of dumbbells and logs, the car walk, the empty car weighing 900 pounds, and the Atlas stones lift, the stones weighing between 265 and 450 pounds.

athletes finished with the loading medley, five heavy objects, two barrels of 220 pounds and three bags of 260 pounds, to carry over 50 feet.

"I placed second behind Jean-François in the medley walk. It went quite well. As for the loading medley, I was head-to-head in fifth place with another competitor and I just wanted to pass ahead, to get a better time than him. I might have finished in the high positions as well but I didn't check," explains Hantony Landry.



Hantony Landry, aged 25, who returned to live in New Richmond earlier this year, is relatively happy with his result.

"I had a difficult first day and a much better second day. I am regaining my fitness level. I still don't have all the material to train for these events in

"I made a technical mistake in the car walk, which affected my ranking," says Hantony Landry.

The second day consisted of the truck pull, over a distance of 80 feet, squat repetitions with 750 pounds, the medley walk, comprising a farmer's walk with 340 pounds in each hand over 80 feet and the frame carry, a walk with 800 pounds over 80 feet. The

Dubreuilville is located north of Lake Superior, quite a journey from the Gaspé. "I was able to make it with help from Pascan Aviation," he says.

Hantony Landry owns the New Richmond gym and works in construction with his father, in addition to training for strength events.

The farmer's walk is one of Hantony Landry's strongest events. Here, he shows his ability and strength in Paspebiac, in June.

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Announcements...



Birth



HOLMES:

We are delighted to announce the birth of Cooper William Holmes born June 10, 2016. Cooper is the son of Robbie and Jessica Holmes. Great-grandson to Verna Gray (Chicoyne) and great-great-grandson to Stan and May Chicoyne.



BRIAND, Richard (Dick)

October 28, 1934 - October 19, 1996 Loving husband, father and grandfather. *Twenty years ago, God called you home. Without any warning, you were gone. We talk about you often and sing your songs to your grandsons.*

We love you and we miss you. Julia, Terrance, Nathalie, William, Allan, Faolain, Kevin, Birute and Richard.

FLOWERS: Howard

In loving memory of a precious grandfather who passed away November 3, 1984. Gone is the face we loved so dear, Silent is the voice we loved to hear. Too far away for sight or speech. But not too far for thought to reach. Sweet to remember him once here, Who, though absent, is just as dear. We miss him so in many ways, We miss things he used to say. And when old times we do recall, It's then we miss him most of all.

Sadly missed and cherished forever in our hearts by Carol and Richard Smollett.

Card of Thanks

The ladies of the Women's Institute of the Marcil Branch would like to thank all of the kind people who donated their time and money at our Strawberry Social held on July 28. Thank-you very much. It was greatly appreciated. We hope to see you all again next year. Ethel Bradbury, Secretary, Marcil Branch.

FLOWERS: Oliver

In loving memory of a dear uncle who passed away suddenly October 1, 1998. A page in the book of memory, Silently turns today. We remember him in silence And make no outward show; And what it meant to lose him No one will ever know. Those we love don't go away, They walk beside us every day; Unseen, unheard but always near, Still loved, still missed, still very dear. Forever loved and remembered by Carol and Richard Smollett.



HOTTOT: Noel

In loving memory of a wonderful husband and father who left us suddenly on October 14, 2015 It's hard to believe you're no longer here, Words cannot describe how this makes me feel, You've passed on to the other side, Though I wish you could still be here with me. You were a remarkable man, Dependable, loving, and caring, You were the centre of my world. You were one in a million to me, You made me laugh, you made me smile, You were my companion and dear friend. You were a wonderful husband from beginning to end. Your love showed me how good life could be, Your death showed me how cruel, life sometimes is, But good or bad, life has to go on Even though it's not easy to carry on. Forever you will live on, in my heart and mind. Forever you will live in my thoughts and never die. With love always, I remember you, With fond memories, I think of you. With hope I believe we'll meet again Somewhere, Somehow, Someplace.

You are always on my mind and you are missed, yesterday, today and always. Love your wife Kim, xxoo.

Harvest Prayer



HOTTOT: Noel

In loving memory of our dad Noel Hottot who passed away on October 14, 2015. You never said I'm leaving, You never said goodbye You were gone before we knew it, And only God knew why. A million times we needed you A million times we cried. If love alone could have saved you You never would have died. In life we loved you dearly, In death we love you still In our hearts you hold a place, That no one could ever fill. It broke our hearts to lose you, But you didn't go alone For part of us went with you, The day God took you home. Always loved and remembered, Erica, Dustin, Blake, Jeremy and Lincoln.

HOTTOT: Noel

In loving memory of our dear son-in-law Noel Hottot. You left this world so quickly, We still wonder why, For the saddest part of all, You never said goodbye. You left us so many memories, To us you were so dear, No matter when we needed you, We always found you near. You gave us all you had to give, Gifts both big and small, but most of all you gave us love, The greatest gift of all. David and Theresa.

Sincere Sympathy

Creator God, for daily bread and all who work to bring your harvest home we bring our thanks today. Forgive our ingratitude we who have so much yet waste what you have given. *M.A.* The Members and Officers of Good Samaritan Masonic Lodge #68 extend sincere sympathy to the family of our late Very Worshipful Brother, Robert (Bob) Atkins who was called to the Grand Lodge above on Sunday, September 25, 2016.



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RENOUF: Charlene

November 19, 1978 - October 12, 2008 BENWELL: Rebekah October 4, 2001 - October 12, 2008

In loving memory of our godchildren, niece Charlene and great-niece Rebekah, who were suddenly and tragically taken from us eight years ago, October 12, 2008.

Dear Charlene and Rebekah, You are not forgotten, Though on earth you are no more, Still in memory you are with us, As you always were before. Every day in some small way Memories of them come our way, Though absent, they are near, Still missed, loved, always dear. If a tear drop could build a stairway, And memory a lane We'd walk the long road to reach And bring them home again Our darlings have gone to the angels above, Where there's nothing but happiness, joy and love Gone from this world, so full of strife, Back to the God who gave them life So let us not fret, or wish them back again To go through the sorrows that come to all men; But rejoice that God chose our sweet flowers for His own And has taken them back to His heavenly home.

Always loved and never will be forgotten, Aunt Brenda, Uncle Donald, Steven (Jessica), and Gregory (Dawn) Renouf.

SMOLLETT: Robert Milton

In loving memory of a very dear father who passed away October 12, 1984. God knew that he was suffering That the hills were hard to climb; So He closed his weary eyelids And whispered, Peace Be Thine. Away in the beautiful hills Of God, By the valley of rest so fair, Some day, we know not when, We will meet our loved one there. Nothing can ever take away The love our hearts hold dear; Fond memories linger every day, We miss him more each year.

Always loved, remembered and sadly missed by son Richard and daughter-in-law Carol.

Happy 70th Birthday



Card of Thanks



We would like to thank all those who took care of Robert (Bob) Atkins in his last days (doctors, nurses and friends). A special thanks for the many gifts to the family, to the Linda Lemore-Brown Foundation and the Cancer Society, for the flowers, the numerous dishes and all your support. It was greatly appreciated. These difficult times were made easier thanks to you.

Lise Loisel and Anthony Atkins

Happy 95th Birthday



Former New Richmond resident, Euby Bisson, recently celebrated his 95th birthday in Campbellton, NB. He is pictured here, on his birthday, September 21, with his sister, Joan Bisson Dow.

Wedding Announcement



Congratulations to Cam Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Green and Lauren Ogilvie, daughter of Trent and Dawn Ogilvie of Burlington, Ontario who were married on June 17, 2016 in Haliburton, Ontario. Lauren is the granddaughter of Verna Gray (Chicoyne) and great-granddaughter of the late Stan and May Chicoyne.

A beautiful wedding!

Happy 96th Birthday



Happy birthday to Reid Sawyer of New Carlisle who turned 96 on October 4, 2016. *Love and best wishes from your family!*

Happy birthday to this wonderful woman. She didn't want a party, but got one anyway, we couldn't resist celebrating. She was made in 1946 and is still going strong; a great wife, mother of 3, grandma of 7 and retired teacher. Happy birthday from all of us!



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Saturday, October 29:

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The Wakeham ACW will be holding its annual summer tea and sale on **Saturday**, **July 8**, **2017**. Details to follow at a later date. Please be advised that we will not be having a Fall Sale this year.

YORK:

York River Senior Citizens' Club

The York River Senior Citizens' Club will be holding their Annual Harvest Supper on **Sunday, Oc-tober 30.** The event will take place at York Community Hall, 702 York Blvd. Take outs will be from 4 p.m to 4:45 p.m. First setting will start at 5 p.m. and the second setting at 6 p.m. The price will be \$12 for adults, \$6 for those 10 and under. Everyone welcomed. Please come out and support our group. the Lord" (Psalm 122:1). We are a Bible-based, Christ-centered and family-focused church. Sunday School is for all ages, 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.; Worship service at 11 a.m.; Friday Kings Club (ages 5-12) at 3:30 and Young Peoples (ages 12-18) at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join us at Hope Baptist Church, 305 Route132, HopeTown.www.hopebaptistchurch1.com. 418-752-5838. Pastor Paul Bedford BTh. MTh.

HOPE TOWN: U.C.W. Tea

The U.C.W. members of Hope Town are having an afternoon tea on **Saturday, October 29,** at the Hall (across from the school) from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m. Come and bring a friend. Cost is \$7.

HOPE TOWN: ZUMBA

Zumba on chairs is back. Every Monday at 9:30 a.m. starting **Monday, October 10** at the Community Center. Come join us for a fun hour of exercise.

HOPE TOWN: Whist Party

A Whist party will be held on **November 12** at 8 p.m. at the Hope Town Community Centre. Come out and join for a night of fun!

HOPE TOWN:

Sports and Recreation Club A bingo and fudge sale for the Hayes Bursary Fund will be held on Saturday, October 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Centre. If your child(ren) have received a bursary from the Hayes Bursary Fund in the past, please help us raise funds for more bursaries. Every N.C.H.S graduating student residing from Gascons to Hope and who has fulfilled volunteer hours is eligible for the bursary and there are no limits to the number of bursaries awarded per year. If you would like to donate a prize or make fudge contact us: Linda MacWhirter at 752-2015, Linda McGie at 752-3827 or Patsy Hayes at 752-2331. We thank

Town Hall in New Carlisle. **Saturday, October 22:** 7 p.m. St Paul's Community in Shigawake.

Sunday, October 23: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Hope Baptist Church. Admission is free and no offerings will be collected (except Sunday morning).

NEW CARLISLE:

Shoeboxes for Sailors Once again the Spec office will be the drop off place for the shoeboxes for sailors. Some gift ideas are: socks, baseball caps, writing material, toiletries, cards, cds, dvds, games, etc. New clothing items only and no perishables please. We are open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please have your shoeboxes in by

NEW CARLISLE: 50+ Club

Monday, October 17.

The New Carlisle 50+ Club will be having a breakfast at the Heritage Restaurant on **November 9** at 9 a.m. All members and their partners are invited to attend.

NEW CARLISLE: Bible Chapel Services

Sunday: Breaking of Bread for Believers - 9:30 a.m., Sunday night service - 7 p.m. **Wednesday:** Bible study and prayer at 7 p.m. "You Must Be Born Again."

NEW CARLISLE: Meals on Wheels

Your Centre d'Action Bénévole St-Siméon/Port Daniel wishes to inform seniors of the municipality of New Carlisle that there are still places available for those who want to receive Meals on Wheels. It's a hot and balanced meal delivered to your door by volunteers. For more information, contact Rita Maldemay or Sindy at 418-752-5577.

NEW CARLISLE:

Life Association Upcoming (Fundraisers

Saturday, October 22: Bingo at 7 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion in New Carlisle, \$10 a series or 3/\$20.

Saturday, November 12: Fall Tea at the New Carlisle Town Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person. textile work techniques. Come admire a quilt signed by 70 loyalist families of New Carlisle, artwork by Marion Nelson Poirier, La Trameuse and other local artists! Open Monday to Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 125, G.-D.-Levesque.

NEW RICHMOND: St. Andrew's United Church

Upcoming Events Saturday, October 22: A turkey supper will be held at St. Andrew's United Church from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Take-outs are available from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. No take outs after 5 p.m. Prices are \$12 for adults, \$7 for children under 12. For take-outs please call Blanche at 418-

418-392-4366. Friday, December 16: Christmas Concert.

392-4764 or Judy Willett at

NEW RICHMOND: Friperie Notice

Friperie Entraide de l'É.P.É. is open as usual on Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. We always have a large selection of clothing in all sizes and for all the family as well as furniture. If you have items which are still functioning, don't throw them away before calling us because there are people who have need of a stove, fridge, washer, dryer, bed, clean sofa, chair, table, etc. For information: 418 392-5161 (248 boul. Perron West, New Richmond).

NEW RICHMOND: Pork Roast Dinner

The Chaleur Bay Seniors' Association will be holding a fundraising pork roast dinner on **Sunday, November 27** from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m at the Richmond Manor, 196 Perron Blvd. West, New Richmond. Price is \$12 per person Takeout orders must be confirmed by **November 2**4.

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES: 50 + Club served at Legion

Friday, November 11: The Remembrance Day Service will be held at the Cenotaph in Cascapedia-St-Jules at 11 a.m. Refreshments will be served at the Community Center. In case of inclement weather, this service will be held at the Community Center.

GESGAPEPIAG: Community Market

A community market will be held in the Galgosiet building on **Saturday, October 15**, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. To reserve a table for \$5 call the band office (Bonnie Jerome) 418-759-3441.

ROTARY CLANEDAR

The winners for the week of October 2 are: Marc Carmichael, Gabrielle Leblanc, Évariste Leblanc, Édith Nadeau, Cyrille Leblanc, Conrad Brière, Clément Loubert.

UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, October 16 11 a.m. Worshipping with Anglicans at Shigawake

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

Sunday, October 16

New Richmond 3 p.m. Holy Eucharist

New Carlisle 10 a.m. Morning Prayer

Hope Town 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Shigawake 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist with United

> GREATER PARISH OF GASPÉ

Sunday, October 16

BARACHOIS:

Royal Canadian Legion. **Monday nights**: Come out for a fun night of Bingo starting at 7 p.m.

HOPE TOWN:

Hope Baptist Church

"I was glad when they said to me, Let us go into the house of

you in advance for your support.

PASPEBIAC:

Trip to Jersey in the Fall

Trip to Jersey in the Fall -Paspébiac Fishing Banks 250th Celebrations. To celebrate this anniversary, the Historic Site of the Paspébiac Fishing Banks, in conjunction with the Gaspé-Jersey-Guernsey Association, is organizing a trip to Jersey this fall. For information, please call 418-752-6229.

SHIGAWAKE, HOPE and NEW CARLISLE:

Gospel Concerts

Gospel Concerts with NB Gospel Hall of Fame singer Ed Sealy. Friday, October 21: 7 p.m.

NEW CARLISLE:

Dart Club

The Dart club will be holding a Christmas Bingo on **Saturday**, **Novemeber 12** at 7 p.m. at the New Carlisle Legion.

NEW CARLISLE:

Heritage New Carlisle Quilt Exhibition

There will be a temporary Quilt Exhibition at the Kempffer House until **Sunday, October 30**. Admission fee is \$5 for Heritage New Carlisle Members and \$8 for non-members. The exhibition consists of ancient and modern

Upcoming Events Saturday, October 15:Harvest Bingo starting at 1 p.m. Every Tuesday: night is our Prize Bingo at 7 p.m. Entry (2 cards for \$5) and \$1 for each additional card. Friday, October 21: Music Jam at 7 p.m. Saturday, November 20: Roast beef dinner.

CASCAPEDIA-ST. JULES: Legion Branch 172

Upcoming Events Sunday, November 6: The Remembrance Sunday service will be held at 11:15 a.m. at the Catholic Church in St.-Jules. Refreshments will be **York** 7 p.m. Evening Prayer

Malbay 11 a.m. Morning Prayer



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What's This Artifact?

Marshall Billingsley



The artifact in the photo is a peculiar thing that some of our readers may be familiar with. What do you think it is?

The object made of glass, with a steel lid connected to a handle which turns the wooden piece inside the jar, which looks like it was once used to mix something of some sort.

> The answer will be in next week's issue of The Gaspé Spec

You can see many more artifacts like this one at:



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Indian-Spiced Shrimp Kebobs with Peanut Coconut Pesto

Prep time: 20 minutes Grilling time: 5 minutes Makes 4 to 8 skewers, plus 1 cup (250 ml) of pesto

Ingredients:

Peanut Coconut Pesto:

- 1/2 cup (125 ml) peanuts
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) unsweetened coconut
- 2 garlic cloves, chopped
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) ginger, coarsely chopped
- 1 cup (250 ml) coriander, tightly packed
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) peanut oil
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) lemon juice
- Salt, to taste

Shrimp Skewers:

- 2 tsp (10 ml) garam masala
- 1 tsp (5 ml) cumin seed
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) salt, preferably kosher
- ¼ tsp (1 ml) cayenne pepper
- 1 lb (500 g) uncooked peeled jumbo shrimp (approximately 20 to 30)
- 12 to 16 pineapple pieces, bite-sized
- 4 large skewers, or 8 medium skewers

Directions

1. In a food processor, pulse peanuts, coconut, garlic and ginger until finely chopped, scraping down sides if needed. Add coriander and pulse until finely chopped. With the motor running, gradually add peanut oil then lemon juice until blended. Add salt to taste.

2. Oil grill and preheat barbecue to high heat. In a small bowl, stir garam masala with cumin seed, salt and cayenne. Pat shrimp dry and rub with spice mix. Thread shrimp and pineapple onto skewers. Grill for 3 to 5 minutes, or until shrimp are pink in colour. Place about 2 tbsp (30 ml) pesto on each plate as a dipping sauce, or spoon over the skewers.



SOME ANIMALS, SUCH AS BEARS, DO THIS TO PRESERVE ENERGY THROUGHOUT THE WINTER, AUTUMN IS SPENT SEARCHING FOR FOOD.

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ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20 Aries, it is time to be on the lookout for fresh financial opportunities. Set new goals for yourself, and put your finances at the top of your priority list. TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21 Taurus, don't bother attracting people through false advertising. Instead, be authentic and you will find you garner much more attention and adoration. GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21 Gemini, the universe is trying to send you cues this week. But you will only receive these cues if you keep your eyes and ears open. Things may not be what they seem. CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22 Cancer, if you want others to open up, you have to start the conversation by sharing something from your heart as well. Make an effort to be more open in the days ahead. LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23 Leo, this week you have the strength and motivation to accomplish your goals. You will sigh with

relief when everything gets ac-



I am a singer/songwriter born on September 9, 1991 in Lousiana. My musical career began when I was four and appeared on a Nickelodeon show. I was also on "America's Most Talented Kid." Now I top the country music charts.

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complished on time and in order. VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22 This week you have a green light to spoil yourself, Virgo. It isn't something you do often, so let loose a little bit and splurge on some luxuries. LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23 Libra, a dear friend or relative could use your support right about now. Offer a helping hand or even a shoulder to cry on so this special person knows you're there to help. SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22 Scorpio, make an effort to be a social butterfly in the week ahead. This will quench your thirst to be around others this week. Don't be afraid to reconnect with old friends. SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21 Sagittarius, this is a great week to establish a financial strategy that fits into your lifestyle. If this involves revisiting your professional ambitions, then so be it. CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20 Capricorn, don't be afraid to shake things up a bit this week. You may not have time to mince words, so

don't hesitate to get to the point. Others will appreciate your candor.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18 It's time to be your own teacher and become an expert in any subject you desire, Aquarius. Start doing your research and you may be surprised at the discoveries. PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20 Pisces, this week you might start seeing a platonic pal in a more amorous way. The affinity you share may be the foundation for a great relationship.



Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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