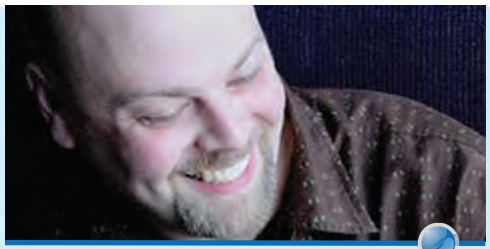


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RIGHT WHALES:

Ten cruise ship visits cancelled in Gaspé

Geneviève Gélinas

GASPÉ: – Ten cruise ships cancelled their stop in Gaspé due to the speed limit imposed in the western part of the Gulf of Saint Lawrence in order to protect the right whales. *Escale Gaspésie* is afraid that there could be eight more cancellations this fall for a total of 18, which translates to 17,700 fewer passengers, and losses of \$2.5 million in spinoffs for the tourism industry.

On September 5, the organization was ready to welcome the Silver Whisper and its 388 passengers, the first ship of the fall. Instead, it held a press conference to describe the crumbling of a season that was presumed to break records.

Some cruise ships don't have enough time to moor in Gaspé because of speed restrictions imposed by Transport Canada and Fisheries and Oceans Canada. Ships measuring 20-metres or more in length must reduce their speed to ten knots. For a cruise ship, this restriction adds four to six hours to the Charlottetown-Gaspé trip. Ten knots is approximately 19 kilometres per hour.

The CTMA Vacancier, which sails between the Magdalen Islands and Montreal, cancelled its last three calls in August. Then four international cruise lines did the same for their fall visits, namely Norwegian Cruise Lines, Regent Seven Seas Cruise Line, Silversea Cruises and Princess Cruises.

"We lost Princess Cruise Lines with the Crown (Princess) and its 3,100 passengers. The Queen Mary 2 is already in plan B mode. Those are significant revenues and an important branding," says Stéphane Sainte-Croix, coordi-



Photo: G. Gélinas

The Norwegian Dawn, with a capacity of 2,500 passengers, cancelled its visit to Gaspé this fall because of time restrictions, after the speed limit was reduced in the Gulf of Saint Lawrence.

nator of *Escale Gaspésie*, the body in charge of greeting cruise ships in Gaspé and Percé.

Escale Gaspésie expected answers before September 8 about the eight potentially cancelled visits, among them the Queen Mary 2. "We don't wish to reach (18 cancelled visits) but we're fairly lucid. The time and itinerary factors play against us," states Mr. Sainte-Croix.

Because of the dates now available due to the cancellations, Viking Cruise Line added four visits to Gaspé with a 930-passenger ship but this addition doesn't compensate for the losses.

Can measures be announced ahead of time?

Escale Gaspésie is asking Fisheries and Oceans Canada and Transport Canada to announce their plans for the coming years. "The temporary measures could extend. We have to know what will happen in 2018 and 2019. We cannot live with decisions made in August as 90% of our business

takes place in September and October," says Mr. Sainte-Croix.

Before the cancellations, the schedule of mid-August to the end of October included 28 cruise ship visits to Gaspé and Percé.

"We sincerely hope for the protection of the right whales. What we oppose is improvisation," states Gaspé Mayor Daniel Côté. "If the cruise ship industry had been consulted, we could have suggested measures, like observers at the ship's bow (...). But who has consulted the industry? And who is going to compensate the industry for its losses?", he adds.

From a \$600,00 budget, *Escale Gaspésie* will lose \$150,000 in autonomous revenues. Some of its 20 to 25 seasonal workers could have trouble qualifying for employment insurance. The bus and taxi companies, tourist guides, attractions, shops and restaurants also suffer losses.

Elsewhere in Quebec, other ports of call are experiencing impacts, but much less than Gaspé. Some ports announced

schedule changes, like the Magdalen Islands, where ships will arrive by mid-day rather than in the morning. Only one cruise ship visit was cancelled in the Saguenay.

At least 10 right whale carcasses have been found since

June in the western part of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Some were hit by ships and others entangled in fishing gear. Necropsies still have to confirm the causes of death. The right whale is an endangered species.

Observation from the ship's bow is not a solution

Geneviève Gélina

GASPÉ: – The requests of the cruise ship industry to limit the impact of the measures protecting right whales could be difficult to satisfy. Having an observer located at the ship's bow to spot right whales isn't always efficient, explains Esther Blier, director general of the Réseau d'observation des mammifères marins (ROMM, Marine mammals observation network).

"If there's fog, large waves or at night, it will not be possible to rely on visual observation," she points out. Cruise ships tend to sail from one port to the next during the night.

Deciding right now about the measures to be taken in coming years could be complicated. Nobody was prepared for the recent deaths, says Ms. Blier. The right whales are usually not so abundant in the western part of the Gulf. "From one year to the next in the St. Lawrence, the whales' visiting patterns change. Are we seeing a particular phenomenon or is the critical habitat of the right whale changing?"

"The right whales are more vulnerable than other species to vessel collisions," adds Esther Blier. "The right whale is a skimmer, which means that they skim the surface of the water, unlike minke, blue or humpback whales, which are gulpers and feed deeper in the water. The right whale is slower and fatter. Its reaction time is longer."

JUNEX DRILLING:

Mi'gmaq communities obtain four-month moratorium

Geneviève Gélinas

GASPÉ: – Junex will suspend its drilling operations for four months on its Galt property, 20 km west of Gaspé. During this period the Mi'gmaq communities will be consulted. The chiefs of the three Gaspesian communities of Gespeg, Gesgapegiag and Listuguj, claim that they have never given their consent for any exploration permit granted by the Quebec government on their ancestral land.

“The Mi'gmaq have always been forgotten or ignored,” says Tanya Barnaby, executive director of the Mi'gmawei Mawiomí Secretariat, which regroups the three communities.

However, Quebec has a legal obligation to consult and accommodate the First Nations, the Mi'gmaq point out.

“Repeated requests to the provincial government have

been ignored,” stated the three chiefs through a press release. As a result, they called upon an urgent meeting with representatives of the government and the Junex chief executive officer, which took place on August 30.

“We are demanding a process that sees our citizens having their say on any hydrocarbon development on our territory. It is the right thing to do,” affirmed Chief Rod Larocque of Gesgapegiag.

The four-month moratorium will allow the Mi'gmaq communities and the Quebec government to undertake discussions “to elaborate a process of meaningful consultation and accommodation that will ensure the protection of Mi'gmaq Constitutional rights and the safeguard of the environment.”

When the Mi'gmaq request “a meaningful consultation,” they mean “a process that the

Mi'gmaq develop, not Junex or the government,” explains Ms. Barnaby. The process will “take into account the logistics, where the Mi'gmaq live,” and will be “as outspread as possible.” It could include public meetings, consultation through websites, social networks and the participation of aboriginal radios.

In the same time, judicial actions are being prepared to protect the Micmac rights, the chiefs announce. It's “the last option,” states Ms. Barnaby. “As long as there's willingness, we'll stay at the table but we're not afraid to go to court if we have to.”

In October 2016, three chiefs representing 13 Native communities of the Gaspé Coast, the North Shore and Lower St. Lawrence took position against oil and gas development, whether under the form of hydraulic fracturing in Gaspé or Anticosti, offshore

drillings in the Gulf of Saint Lawrence or a pipeline going through Eastern Quebec.

The Mi'gmaq intervention follows recent actions undertaken by other groups against Junex. From August 8 to the 14, masked demonstrators blocked the access to the Galt wells until the *Sûreté du Québec* brought down their barricade. Gespeg dissociated itself from that action group.

Opponents are still camping at the entrance of the Galt access road but they haven't blocked it.

The Mi'gmaq requested a halt of any exploration campaign on their ancestral land, the Gespe'gewa'gi, not only in Galt. Junex confirmed through a press release that it would not undertake any exploration activities during the four months. The company was supposed to drill a horizontal well in September, a drilling which will be delayed

at least until January.

According to the Natives, Pétrolia has also accepted the four-month delay for its Bourque and Haldimand Gaspesian projects. Pétrolia didn't return Spec's call to confirm this information but the company hasn't announced any new drilling in the short term.

In the wind energy field, the Mi'gmaq are co-owners of the Mesgi'g Ugu's'n wind farm behind Escuminac. They get benefits from energy production and Mi'gmaq are working on the site.

Spec asked Ms. Barnaby if the Mi'gmaq could use that model for oil and gas. “The community as a whole will decide on that in the consultation process,” she replies. “We'll hear whether or not they're interested in economic opportunities or if they just don't want it (oil and gas development).”

MCINNIS CEMENT:

Distribution network acquired, large Maritime customers found

Gilles Gagné

PORT DANIEL: – McInnis Cement has announced the acquisition of two land terminals in Moncton, New Brunswick, and Bedford, Nova Scotia. The company now producing cement in Port Daniel has also announced an agreement with CRH Canada in order to supply that company in Newfoundland.

CRH Canada, a subsidiary of CRH plc, a European firm, was also the owner of the Moncton and Bedford land terminals. Those terminals used to be supplied for by the CRH Canada plant in Joliette. Bedford is a suburb of Halifax and therefore serves the main Nova Scotia market.

“The Moncton and Bedford distribution facilities will serve the New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia markets for McInnis Cement,” explains Maryse Tremblay, spokesperson of the company.

The company “will honour the orders of the clients supplied through those terminals and integrate their current employees. There are six employees based in those terminals,” she adds.

Regarding Newfoundland, McInnis Cement will supply cement to CRH Canada's terminals in Long Pond, Argentia

and Corner Brook. “Deliveries to Newfoundland will begin this fall and will be made by ship,” says Maryse Tremblay.

“With the addition of these terminals to our network, we are now able to secure a solid position in this market,” points out Hervé Mallet, president and chief executive officer of McInnis Cement.

The McInnis Cement distribution network also includes marine terminals in Providence, Rhode Island, and Sainte-Catherine, near Montreal. They were the first terminals to be built and commissioned for the company. The Oshawa terminal in Ontario is now operational as well.

Meanwhile, the cement will be delivered to Moncton and Bedford by truck. McInnis Cement could load its product in railway cars at the transshipment station in New Richmond, which was built because the railway line is not operational between Caplan and Port Daniel now. It will likely not be until 2019. The cement loaded in New Richmond is currently delivered to Ontario.

However, the main hurdle preventing McInnis Cement from delivering cement to Moncton and Bedford by rail lies with Canadian National Railways' decision to stop freight traffic between Bathurst

and Miramichi, New Brunswick. CN's management has explained in the past that the volume of freight traffic doesn't justify opening that line for that purpose. Only the passenger trains of VIA Rail are using that line.

“We are aware of CN's decision in New Brunswick and

we are talking to their management,” says Maryse Tremblay.

The Port Daniel plant will also help secure more train traffic if the railway is put back in working order. “Sometimes, when the cement is already in a truck, the shipper will find it handy to have it delivered that way,” she says.

McInnis Cement will also add a marine terminal in the Bronx section of New York in 2018.

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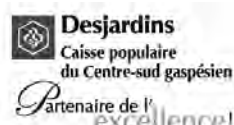
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Police report

On September 11, Jérémy Viktor Lagacé, 23, from Saint-André-de-Restigouche, appeared before Quebec Court Judge Janick Poirier at the New Carlisle courthouse, charged with the careless use of a firearm and possession of a firearm contrary to a court order.

During his first appearance at the Carleton courthouse on August 23, the accused was represented by defence attorney Rodrigue Joncas from Rimouski, but will be represented from now on by defence attorney Richard Lavigne from New Richmond. Because of the substitution of attorneys the case was put over to October 23 for orientation and declaration. According to crown attorney Gérald Maltais additional charges will be brought against the accused on or before that date.

On August 22, shortly after 2:30 p.m., Fabrice Durand, 23 and his girlfriend, Ludivine Marcoux, two French tourists, were walking on the Chutes à Picot trail in Saint-André-de-Restigouche. Fabrice Durand was shot in the head and killed.

The accused was arrested that same afternoon following an emergency call from a Saint-André resident who had come in contact with the victim's girlfriend.

The accused was to stand trial on December 12, 2017 for allegedly harassing a woman walking on that trail in 2016.

Over the last three years, the accused was charged with break and enter, theft of a firearm and uttering threats to damage property. He was also charged and found guilty of killing the dog of one of his teachers.

The Chutes à Picot area is renowned for its serenity and is very popular with European tourists.

The victim and his girlfriend were on the last leg of a six-month trip in Quebec and were to return to France at the end of August.

On September 11, at the New Carlisle courthouse the case of Darryl Gray, 71, from Escuminac charged with possession of a firearm without a licence, possessing a firearm with a defaced serial number and improper storage of a firearm was put over to October 23. All charges are by summery conviction.



Photo: G. Gélinas

Nordik Passeur

Positive sign for the Gaspé - Anticosti - Côte-Nord ferry project

Geneviève Gélinas

GASPÉ: – Gaspé Mayor Daniel Côté describes the Quebec government announcement to conduct a study on the ferry project between the Gaspé Peninsula, Anticosti Island and the North Shore as very positive.

“It’s the first time that we get a very clear positive signal saying that the Quebec government takes the leadership of the project and shows an intention to concretize it,” says Mr. Côté.

Premier Philippe Couillard announced the study in Sept-Îles on August 25. “The objective is to know about the different possible options and to obtain accurate budget forecasts and a timeline for implementing it,” explains the premier’s press release. The study results will be known at the end of 2018.

The *Société des traversiers du Québec* and the *Société du Plan Nord* are part of the work group in this file. After the study, decisions will be made “to better meet the needs of the population and of the enterprises of Anticosti Island, at the best possible cost,” adds the press release.

The Nordik Passeur, a ferry owned by Groupe Desgagnés, offered the service between Rivière-au-Renard, Anticosti Island and Havre-Saint-Pierre from 1994 to 1996 inclusively. After the Quebec announcement, a Groupe Desgagnés administrator mentioned the service not being profitable.

“The problem, in the 1990s, was that the ship was-

n’t appropriate. It hadn’t been made for the gulf. If we want the ferry to be profitable, we have to choose a good ship and the government has to get involved,” says Daniel Côté.

The presence of the *Société des traversiers du Québec* in the project would improve its chances of success, he thinks.

“Twenty years ago, not many people talked about Anticosti as a tourist destination,” the mayor adds. The island’s reputation has grown with the debate about oil and gas development, and is now trying to get the UNESCO world heritage site status.

The ferry can also be con-

sidered as “a bridge between two shores” or “a public service,” says the mayor, which would mean that profitability wouldn’t be an absolute necessity. “I don’t think that the *Société des traversiers du Québec* makes high profits,” he points out.

Since 2015, the municipalities of Gaspé (on behalf of Rivière-au-Renard), Havre-Saint-Pierre and L’Île-d’Anticosti have reactivated the project of a maritime link. They see it as a way for Anticosti inhabitants to overcome isolation and as a way to give a vigorous boost to tourism in the three regions.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Town Council, at a regular meeting that will be held on Monday, October 2, 2017, at 8 p.m., will consider the request for minor exemption from the zoning By-Law 1156-11, presented by Mr Bruno Boucher for a property situated at 44, rue Eden.

The nature and consequences of this exemption are the following:

- the nature of the minor exemption is to increase by 1.5 metre the height in accordance to the maximal height of 6.5 metres required by the article 8.8.2.2 of the zoning By-Law 1156-11;
- the minor exemption will have for consequence to regularize the construction of a garage with a height of 8 meters.

During this meeting, the Town Council will hear the interested wishing to be heard on that request.

Given at Gaspé, September 13, 2017.

Isabelle Vézina,
Director of legal services and town clerk



Commentary

Gilles Gagné

A surprise, really?

The effects of cyclone Irma are terrible in Florida and to a lesser extent in the neighbouring states. However, hearing people from that part of the United States say that it was a "total surprise" can't be taken seriously as Irma was announced about a week in advance.

Adding that the strength of Irma was unexpected is almost as ridiculous, considering that weeks ago, experts predicted a brutal storm season based on observations that made sense.

Storms, hurricanes and cyclones take form when the water in the Caribbean Sea is hot, 27 degrees Celsius and hotter in fact. This year, that temperature was 30 degrees. Most weather experts say that there is a multiplying effect for each half-degree increment. At 30 degrees, the water pushes storms to record levels. This rough storm season was announced in the middle of the summer.

Those same experts have been talking about climate change for more than 20 years! They have predicted more storms, storm magnitudes that set precedents, a higher number of forest fires, booming coastal erosion, lasting droughts and gigantic windstorms, among other climatic events.

The way human beings have developed their industries and transportation means over the last 200 years, by relying essentially on fossil fuel burning, is at the root of the climate change problem. It is not the only factor that explains the phenomenon, but it is by far the most important.

If we can't erase collectively what was done until 1990, we can certainly take the blame for the blindness and deafness we have shown since the Kyoto conference on climate change, which took place in 1990.

In Florida for instance, people have kept filling swamps in order to keep the focus on "development". Swamps are big sponges that have the capacity to take some of the slack needed when abundant rain falls or violent storms occur. About 20 million people are living in what should have remained a large swamp. Scratch the benefits of swamps.

At the Paris Climate Change Conference in December 2015, the goal was set to limit to 2 degrees the planet's temperature increase before 2100, a target human beings will miss if they don't switch to a low hydrocarbon emission economy. Hydrocarbons mean oil, natural gas, coal and petroleum coke, among other fossil fuels.

The Paris target of two degrees was considered

too loose by most experts, but the goal was decided by governments. Can you imagine a Caribbean Sea at 33 or 34 degrees, and the strength of the storms arising from that kind of hot tub? Irma is nothing compared to what is to come. It is more than likely that we will miss the 2100 target and the situation will only get worse.

Human beings will miss that goal if they don't change their habits now. Now means today. Now means reducing the number of times we use our vehicles, and opting for electric cars or commuter services when it is possible.

Now means pressuring our governments to adopt clean environment policies. So far, our governments, and that includes Canada, have performed very poorly in climate change adaptation. They are far from the leaders they should be. They are distant followers.

We have to pay a certain price now, regardless of the benefits. We will have to adapt way quicker than what would have happened, had we started believing experts 20 years ago, had we opted to sacrifice a small part of our comfort then in exchange for less sudden change now.

Human beings need to manage crises, it seems. However, denial is no longer an option.

Letters to the Editor

Is Ignorance Pardonable?

My wife and I usually try to go to stores early, to avoid the crush and hassle we worked in for many of our younger years, and to get going on all the other activities that fill our day.

So to save valuable space and time I will cut to the chase and get to the core. Betty went into a large grocery store just after 8 a.m. for a couple of items. The cashier was just getting her day going. An elderly gentleman, who later told Betty he was 90 years of age, was lucky enough to be one of the cashier's first customers, and he, in a cheery fashion said, "Good morning, nice day today." The cashier did not even rise her obviously empty head to recognize the old fellow, not even a grunt was uttered.

Betty, in her usual straight forward manner, said hello to him and exchanged a few human utterances, in a voice loud enough to be heard by the inattentive, oblivious person being paid to serve the public. This elderly man was well-dressed, courteous, and a man who, at age 90, just wanted to greet his fellow humans cordially in the morning.

I don't care about language, race, or any of that stuff which people get out of sorts about, but there was no excuse for her blatant lack of common decency to an elderly member of society. I don't care if the sky fell on her head on the way to work, or whether battle royal was on at home ... she is being paid to politely serve those who shop in the store where she works, or perhaps just takes up space.

Senior citizens don't have to be relegated to a

level below plain common courtesy, and recognition by people working in public. We all have our yokes to bear, and don't need to attempt lessening our load by dumping on another human being. Language has squat to do with it. My wife was greeted with the same degree of disregard.

Luckily, I had chosen to wait in the car, since Betty only had to get one or two items, or believe me the cashier, manager and whoever was at the controls would have been addressed, in whatever language required, followed up by a letter to head office, if necessary.

Many young, and middle-aged people will one day enter that great realm of life called "old age". I hope when they get there they too will insist on those around them granting them a grain of respect. I have refrained from the Soap Box commentaries lately, but every now and then an idiot steps forward just begging to be recognized. I have come as close as I wish, to identifying this person. Who knows, perhaps she can dredge up a reason for being so ignorant. I doubt it!

Store managers, get out of the office, and run your ship before this kind of crew member sinks it!

Art MacPherson,
New Carlisle, Quebec

Correction

Please note that in the August 23 issue of Spec on page 11 in the Gaspé Social Notes, Ellie May should have read as Ellie Ann.

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Barachois singer-songwriter Dale Boyle wins international music award

Gilles Gagné

Gaspé-born, Montreal-based singer-songwriter, Dale Boyle, has been named the 2nd place winner in the Americana category of the 2017 Unsigned Only (UO) music competition!

The international UO music competition received nearly 6000 submissions from over 100 countries, and on September 6, two winners were announced in each category. The judges included, among others, The Killers, Aimee Mann, and Montgomery Gentry.

The winning song is the title track of Dale Boyle's new release, *Gasoline*, recorded with drummer Kenny Aronoff (John Mellencamp, John Fogerty, Bob Seger, etc.) and bassist James LoMenzo (John Fogerty, Slash, David Lee Roth, etc.).

SPEC has asked Dale Boyle to share a few impressions regarding the award and other aspects of his music career. He has generously accepted to collaborate.

How do you feel about this award? The Unsigned Only competition is very established with well-known judges, so I am very happy to have my song *Gasoline* selected in the Americana category!

Where is the contest based? The competition is based in Nashville, though they accept submissions internationally. This year they received nearly 6000 submissions from over 100 countries.

Are there some "fringe benefits" that come with the award? Yes, there are some really nice prizes, like CD manufacturing (from Disc Makers), music distribution (Symphonic Distribution), radio airplay and promo (from RadioAirplay.com) and there are other prizes like guitar strings (from D'Addario). Lots of great prizes!

It is not your first award (tell us a bit about the other awards)? I've won a few Lys Blues awards, which are Quebec-based awards. Several years ago I won the Narrative Song Competition for my song *Small Town van Gogh* which is about (Gaspesian) painter Tennyson Johnson. In 2012, I received an International Song writing Competition for my song *You Might Come Around*, a duet I



Photo: Courtesy of Dale Boyle

Dale Boyle, centre, recorded *Gasoline* with Kenny Aronoff, left, and James LoMenzo, right.

recorded with Annabelle Chvostek. I've also placed in the finals of other competitions, like the 2017 Canadian Song writing Competition. I love songwriting, so it's all been very encouraging!

Tell us a bit about your recent work? The latest release is a roots-rock Americana EP called *Gasoline*. I recorded it with Los Angeles musicians, drummer Kenny Aronoff (John Mellencamp, John Fogerty, Bob Seger, etc.) and bassist James LoMenzo (John Fogerty, Slash, David Lee Roth, etc.).

I remember that you were at one point studying at McGill in Education. Are you still working in that field? Yes. Off and on, I still work as a course lecturer in the field of Education at McGill.

Where do you find your inspiration? I draw inspiration from great songs and songwriters. Hank Williams, George Jones and Tom T. Hall were some of my earliest influences. Later, I was more influenced by artists like Steve Earle, Bruce Springsteen and Tom Petty. John Fogerty has had a big influence as well. For example, I tend to write short songs, usually around three minutes in length. *Gasoline* is like 3 minutes and 6 seconds. That style of concise writing is very much influenced by a lot of the music John Fogerty wrote with Creedence Clearwater Revival...a lot of those great songs were barely three minutes long! He is the master of concise songwriting!

Where have you played over recent months? I have

been busy with a new course I am teaching at McGill this fall, so I haven't been performing a lot. I did have a CD launch in May 2017, and I will be performing in Montreal later this fall.

What are your plans for the next months or the coming year? Are you working on a specific project? I have a few songs recorded with Kenny Aronoff and James LoMenzo that are more rock sounding. I plan to release these songs in 2018.

Will Gaspesians have an occasion to see you play soon or in the foreseeable future? I don't have anything booked in the Gaspé region at the moment...but you never know! I'll keep you posted!

Do you still come often to the Gaspé Peninsula? I do. I always make a couple of trips down during the summer and again during the Christmas holidays.

What is the best way to buy your music? *Gasoline* is available for download and streaming at iTunes, Amazon, CD Baby, Spotify, etc. Purchase links can be found on my website, <http://www.dale-boyle.com>. For those who want to buy a physical CD,

visit my website and send me a message using the contact button at the bottom of the page!

For further information: About the contest: Visit <https://unsignedonly.com> About what critics think of Dale Boyle's work:

Gasoline "fuses L.A. energy with roots-rock soul" - Kathryn Greenway (Montreal Gazette).

"The title track *Gasoline* is a fiery rootsy rocker" - (ctrlaltnocountry.be)

"Beautiful songs"...The title track (*Gasoline*) is a gift" - Dani Heyvaert (Rootstime.be)

"It (*Gasoline*) is great...it's what we call a good radio song...it sounds fantastic" - Jake Lawrence (K1037 FM Radio)

"*Gasoline* is a very good track"..."Americana with just the right amount of rock n' roll and blues. It has all the ingredients to become a classic" - Real Roots Café.



PUBLIC NOTICE OF ELECTION

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the electors of Gaspé by Isabelle Vézina, returning officer, that:

1.- The following positions are open for nominations:

Mayor
Councillor, ward number 1
Councillor, ward number 2
Councillor, ward number 3
Councillor, ward number 4
Councillor, ward number 5
Councillor, ward number 6

2.- Every nomination paper for these positions shall be filed at the office of the Returning officer or of the assistant designated to receive nomination papers, where applicable, on the following days and at the following times:

From September 22, 2017 to October 6, 2017.

DAYS :	Monday	TIMES: From 9 a.m. to 12 noon	From 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
	Tuesday	From 9 a.m. to 12 noon	From 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
	Wednesday	From 9 a.m. to 12 noon	From 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
	Thursday	From 9 a.m. to 12 noon	From 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
	Friday	From 9 a.m. to 12 noon	

IMPORTANT NOTICE - On Friday, October 6, 2017, the office will be open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. continuously.

3.- If more than one candidate submits his nomination for the same position, a poll will be held on November 5, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and advance voting will be held on October 29, 2017, from 12 noon to 8 p.m.

4.- I have appointed to act as election clerk, Mrs Francine Cassivi.

5.- You can reach me at the following address and telephone number:

Returning officer
25, rue de l'Hôtel-de-Ville
Gaspé (Québec), G4X 2A5
418 368-2104, extension 8505.

GIVEN at Gaspé, September 13, 2017.

Isabelle Vézina,
Returning officer

GASTEM: A company in hibernation, admits president Raymond Savoie

Gilles Gagné

NEW CARLISLE – Gastem, the oil and gas exploration company that is trying to get \$1 million in compensation from the small municipality of Ristigouche South East, is in a hibernation state since 2014, admits its president, Raymond Savoie.

That hibernation notably translated into a stock market transaction halt in 2014, and was marked by the closure of the Montreal head office, also says Mr. Savoie, who was interviewed during a break at the New Carlisle court house. The Superior Court trial started on September 5.

“We closed all the projects (...) We closed the website. We are restructuring the company. We have other ventures in sight,” says Raymond Savoie to justify the discretion Gastem has shown since 2014, except for the lawsuit initiated that same year against the Gaspesian village of 167 inhabitants.

Ristigouche South East adopted a regulation to protect its water sources in March 2013, which raised the ire of Gastem, and prompted the company to seek compensation, given that its staff and contractors were preparing an oil and gas exploration campaign in the village.

Closing “all the projects”, means that the company phased out all its exploration activities in Quebec, but also in the United States, “in the state of New York,” points out Mr. Savoie.

Admitting that the company is far from rich, he assures that “we are not financially backed by other companies (during the trial). As part of a team, we would be forced to accept other partners’ influences.”

He adds that Gastem didn’t pull out of the Ristigouche South East because the company didn’t

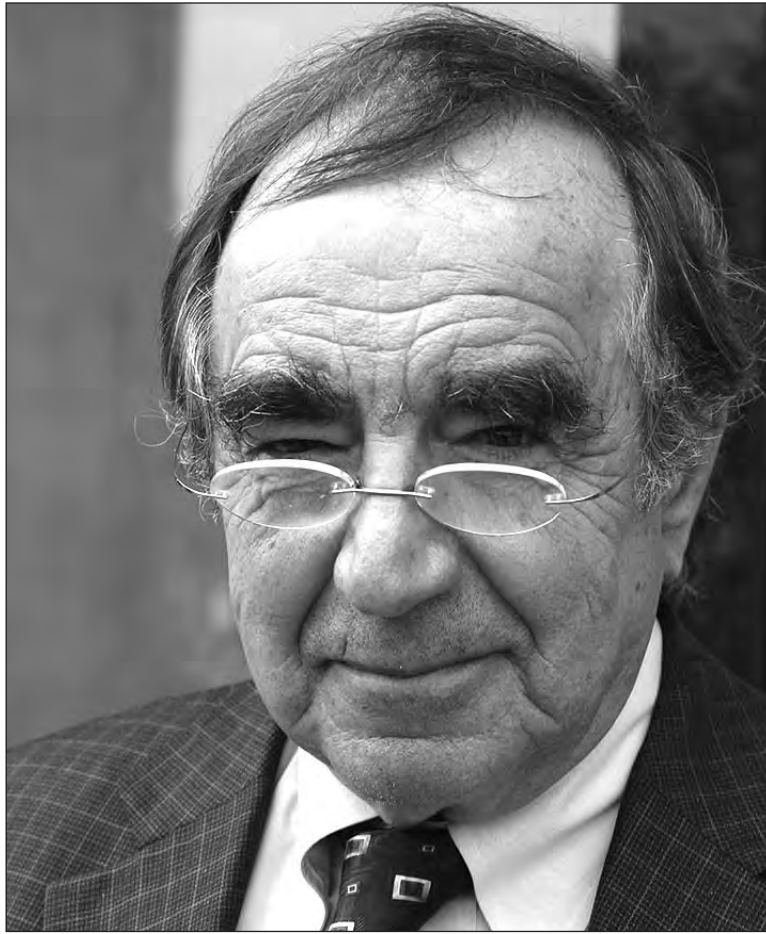


Photo: G. Gagné

Raymond Savoie is president of Gastem.

have the financial means to undertake drilling operations.

Gastem is nevertheless criticized for having concentrated on getting compensation instead of challenging the regulation adopted by Ristigouche South East. The company concentrated on getting compensation for preparatory work that was supposed to lead to a drilling operation that never came.

“We don’t want to work where we are not comfortable. We can’t discuss with a population and a municipal council opposed to the project,” explains Raymond Savoie.

On September 6, the second day of the trial, Gastem lowered its compensation request from \$1.5 million to \$1 million because initially, the company had included two amounts that were relevant at the time, but that are not anymore, says Mr. Savoie.

A sum of \$360,000 was at the time due to a subcontractor about to carry out seismic work and a caution of

\$150,000 had been paid to the Quebec Department of Natural Resources. The seismic work was never carried out because the exploration campaign was cancelled and the caution of \$150,000 was reimbursed for the same reason.

“We knew before the trial began that our claim would be lowered. We were waiting for the testimony of our accountant. We were not trying to fool anyone,” concludes Mr. Savoie.

GASTEM: Trial highlights

Gilles Gagné

With excerpts from other media (Radio-Canada, CHAU and CIEU-FM)

Day 1: Approximately 30 people showed up for the first day of the trial, including environmentalists, citizens of Ristigouche South East and even citizens from the west part of Quebec, who want to express their support to the small Gaspesian village. The first witness was a former municipal councillor, Micheline Pelletier, who participated in the work leading to the adoption of a water protection rule in March 2013. She said that the municipality had very little information about the drilling project of Gastem.

Gastem’s land man, Jacques Perron, said in court that Gastem first tried to convince the Listuguj band administration to accept the first drilling operation, as the company had selected the best spot on Native land. The request was turned down by the band council. Mr. Perron also explained that he then tried to find a spot in Ristigouche South East, and found two owners, Huguette Bourdages and Guy Deraspe, willing to give Gastem a right of way in 2011. The adoption of the water protection regulation changed the company’s plan.

Day 2: Jacques Perron affirmed that until the fall of 2012, the municipal council of

Ristigouche South East did not express opposition to Gastem’s project of exploratory drilling. The opposition mounted when the town of Gaspé adopted its water protection regulation, in December 2012. The compensation amount requested by Gastem was also lowered during that second day of testimonies.

Day 3: Jean-Sébastien Bernier, a biologist and shareholder of Biofilia, a consulting firm hired by Gastem in 2011 to evaluate the site selected for the drilling operation, was “flabbergasted by the figure of two kilometres,” chosen by Ristigouche South East as a protected zone between an artesian well and the drilling location picked by the company. “In addition to not bearing scientific value, the distance is not coherent with the sector’s geology and hydrogeology (...) It only throws a spectre of terror, in my opinion,” said Mr. Bernier.

Answering to the Gastem attorney, Daniel Kochenberger, and the Ristigouche South East attorney, Jean-François Girard, Mr. Bernier nevertheless indicated that generally speaking, the protection distance was a basic measure that has to be assessed according to “a per case fashion.” In 2013 the Quebec government did not

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Massé supports Ristigouche South East Gastem lawsuit

Gilles Gagné

NEW CARLISLE: – The population of Ristigouche South East received some support during the first day of the hearings, as Manon Massé, Québec solidaire Member of the National Assembly for the riding of Sainte-Marie-Saint-Jacques, attended the first hours of the trial.

She criticized the support

the governments led by Philippe Couillard, Pauline Marois and Jean Charest gave to oil companies over the last decade.

“When we look at the way the hydrocarbon sector has developed globally (in Quebec), we see bridges between the oil industry and the government’s high-ranking officials. Mr. Savoie (Raymond, president of Gastem) was minister of Mines

at a certain period for the Liberal government. It makes for people with really strong ties to the industry. We are talking here about companies that exist on paper only and that wouldn’t survive if they couldn’t count on the support of the government. We saw that recently for Junex, which received compensations (from the Quebec government) in the Anticosti file. Without government support, Pétrolia could

not borrow \$100 from a bank,” says Ms. Massé.

She wanted to attend the beginning of the trial to support the population of the Gaspesian village.

“I think that the cause tackled by Ristigouche South East is imposing and important. At Québec solidaire, we have shown our solidarity since the beginning, since day one. I wanted, on behalf of my party, to demonstrate that we are with

them and that we are very happy that it (the trial) has started. They have felt that threat for four-and-a-half years now and they have had the challenge of assuring their defence. We want to tell the region that this trial is of prime importance and that the citizens are not alone. The jurisprudence that will be established during the trial will have consequences everywhere in Quebec,” she adds.

MCINNIS:

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subsidiary when Lafarge and Holcim merged their activities. Holcim was then forced to sell its Joliette plant, in Quebec, in order to maintain fair competition on the market. CRH Canada bought that plant. The facility was supplying a big part of the New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Ed-

ward Island markets. McInnis Cement is now supplying them. McInnis Cement doesn't reveal a transaction amount for the acquisition of CRH Canada's assets in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and no figures regarding the annual volume of cement that will likely be delivered to the Moncton and Bedford terminals



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VILLE DE PERCÉ

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ELECTION

POLL OF NOVEMBER 5, 2017

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the electors of the ville de Percé by Gemma Vibert, returning officer, that:

1. the following positions are open for nominations:

mayor and councillors for electoral districts 1 to 8.

2. every nomination paper for these positions shall be filed at the office of the returning officer on the following days and at the following times:

From September 22, 2017 to October 6, 2017

Monday to Thursday: from 8:15 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Friday: from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

IMPORTANT NOTE – On Friday October 6, 2017, the office will be open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. continuously.

3. if more than one candidate submits his nomination for the same position, a poll will be held on:

November 5, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

and advance polling will be held on:

October 29, 2017, from 12 noon to 8 p.m.

4. I have appointed to act as election clerk: Mrs. Mélanie Loubert.

5. You can reach me at the following address and telephone number:

City Hall
137, route 132 Ouest, Percé
(418) 782-2933, ext. 2003

Issued in Percé, on September 6, 2017.

Gemma Vibert,
Returning officer



NOTICE TO SOLE OWNERS OF AN IMMOVABLE, TO SOLE OCCUPANTS OF A BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT, TO UNDIVIDED CO-OWNERS OF AN IMMOVABLE AND TO CO-OCCUPANTS OF A BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT

VILLE DE GASPÉ
Poll of November 5, 2017

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by Isabelle Vézina, returning officer:

→ **to the sole owners of an immovable and the sole occupants of a business establishment** who are not already entitled to be entered on the list of electors as a domiciled person that they can be entered on the municipal list of electors for the current election be meeting the following conditions :

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| 1. | be 18 years of age on | 2017-11-05 |
| 2. | be a natural person, a Canadian citizen, not be under curatorship, on and, on that date, not have been convicted, over the last five years of an offence that is corrupt electoral practice | 2017-09-01 |
| 3. | be the sole owner of an immovable or sole occupant of a business establishment situated in the territory of the municipality for at least 12 months on: | 2017-09-01 |
| 4. | have sent to the municipality, at the address indicated below, an application for entry on the list of electors not later than: | 2017-10-19 |

AND

→ **to the undivided co-owners of an immovable and the co-occupants of a business establishment** who are not already entitled to be entered on the list of electors as a domiciled person, or sole owner of an immovable or sole occupant of a business establishment that they can be entered on the list of electors for the current election if they meet the following conditions :

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|----|--|------------|
| 1. | be 18 years of age on | 2017-11-05 |
| 2. | be a natural person, a Canadian citizen, not under curatorship on and, on that date, not have been convicted, over the last five years, of an offence that is a corrupt electoral practice | 2017-09-01 |
| 3. | be the undivided co-owner of an immovable or co-occupant of a business establishment situated in the territory of the municipality for at least 12 months on: | 2017-09-01 |
| 4. | have designated by means of a power of attorney signed by the majority of the co-owners or co-occupants who are electors on: | 2017-09-01 |
| 5. | have sent to the municipality, at the address indicated below, a power of attorney not later than | 2017-10-19 |

TAKE NOTE that the application for entry or a power of attorney sent after the tabling of the list of electors but not later that October 19, 2017, will be considered an application to correct the municipal list of electors.

► A model application for entry or power of attorney form is available at the office of the returning officer. These documents take effect upon their receipt and remain valid until such time as they are withdrawn or replaced.

For additional information, contact the returning officer :

Isabelle Vézina
25, rue de l'Hôtel-de-Ville
Gaspé (Québec) G4X 2A5
418-368-2104, extension 8505

Issued in Gaspé, on September 13, 2017.

Isabelle Vézina,
Returning officer

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES FALL FESTIVAL: Look who's talking about – The Gateway to the Gaspé



Catching up with old friends at Fall Fest.
Ruth Burton Hatcher, Kingston, Ontario
Brenda - Lee Mercier Appelt, Edson, Alberta



Getting closer, yah!!!
Tammy Campbell-Kerr
Fredericton, NB



Put my favourite memories of Fall Fest in a few words, hard to do. Every Fall I make my way "home" to Cascapedia - St Jules to partake in what can only be described as the best community celebration of all time. You won't want to miss a thing. From Friday night to Sunday night, there's something for everyone! To name one favourite thing would be like choosing one of your children to be your favourite- impossible!! What I can say is you'll see friends old and make some new. You'll laugh, dance and maybe even sing! Above all you'll have an amazing time and will be back year after year !! See you under the tent!!
Karen Sexton
Gatineau, Quebec

Once again another Fall Fest is approaching. What a great time to see family and friends from far and near. Thanks to all the volunteers and the committee for a job well done. Couldn't find a better place to have a great party.
Henny St. Onge
Tidehead, New Brunswick



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Reflections

by

Diane Skinner Flowers



Stockpiling from the Dollar Store

When many of us were children we did not have the 'luxury' of shopping at a dollar store. Oh, sure city dwellers had Woolworth's and Kresge's, which also boasted super lunch counters. On the Gaspé, we had Robin's (an awesome store which sold everything from soup to nuts and bolts) and Continental. The dollar stores of today offer so much, and at reasonable prices.

Fall is around the corner and is nature's way of reminding us that winter is coming. Being prepared for winter once meant the difference between life and death. Just as our Gaspesian ancestors stocked up on food and wood it is time for us modern folk to stockpile from the dollar store. Not life and death, but darn convenient to do so. Winter is more than hot chocolate and woolen socks.

Here is a suggestion for items to buy now that will save you a trip on a cold and windy winter evening:

1. **Batteries:** Let's avoid a drive to buy batteries by stocking up now. It's a waste of your time and gas. Buy all sizes, you never know what's going to be needed.
2. **Gift wrap /Bags/Cards:** Buy a bunch of dollar store gift bags, tissue paper and birthday cards. Go with a list of birthdays and buy a few months worth of cards. Buy a few generic ones, just in case. Put them in a plastic tub, label it and forget about it. Then when those special events pop up, feel smug as you go to that tub and pick out some tissue, a bag and a card.
3. **Baskets and Tubs:** I am a huge fan of organizing and dollar store tubs and baskets help immensely with this task. It helps to make order out of chaos. A good thing.
4. **Stationery:** This includes paper, writing pads, notebooks, pens or pencils, and envelopes. Not very exciting, but such a pain when you run out. Most inexpensive way to get control of this is to stock up before you need to.
5. **Emergency Kit Items:** Remember that winter is coming. So, prepare an emergency kit. You can put all the items in one of your tubs or baskets. (See item #3) Items to consider: flashlights, bungee cord, candles, fire starters, lighters, matches, manual can opener, first aid items, bottled water, flares, bottles of water, and energy bars.
6. **Cleaning products:** Depending on what products you prefer, dollar stores offer a wide selection of name brand cleaning products, as well as no-name items. Stock up. Eventually you will need these products.
7. **Guest Toiletries:** The dollar store has everything you might need to offer overnight guests: toothbrushes, little shampoo bottles, mini deodorant, tiny toothpaste tubes, and mouthwash. Your guests will be so impressed and grateful they will come often and stay longer!
8. **Foil Baking Pans:** 'Tis the season for Harvest Suppers and if you are contributing, foil pans will come in handy. No need to worry about getting your pan back. On special occasions, or whenever you are super busy, the foil pan is your friend.
9. **Seasonal Items:** You won't be able to get all these items in the fall, but the dollar store has a large selection, reasonably priced of items like wreaths, fancy napkins, and decorations. They are well stocked for many special occasions including Thanksgiving, Halloween, Christmas, Valentine's Day, and Easter.
10. **Pet Supplies:** There are loads of items for your furry friends. Items such as bowls, treats, poo bags, collars and leashes, and toys are abundant and at low prices.

This reminds me of a saying that I have not heard for many years, but it still rings true: Plan for tomorrow, and today will take care of itself.

GASTEM:

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inforce any systematic distance between artesian wells and drilling locations. In 2016, the government adopted a 500 metre buffer distance, a level considered insufficient by a certain number of experts.

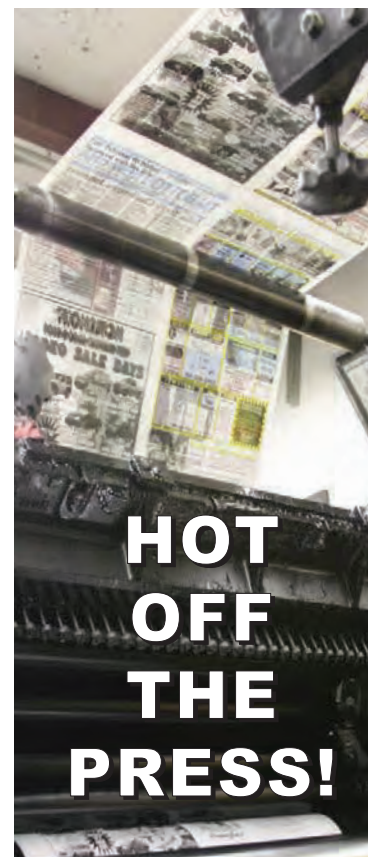
Day 4: Former Ristigouche South East mayor Annette Sénéchal testified. She was mayor when the March 2013

water protection regulation was adopted. Gastem attorney Daniel Kochenberger put pressure on her and suggested that her memory was selective. Former municipal administrator Suzanne Bourdages was clearer when she stressed that at the beginning of 2013, the context changed suddenly when a number of citizens started pressuring the town council for the adoption of a water protection regulation. Ms.

Bourdages stressed that the bylaw was not put up against Gastem but rather to protect drinkable water. The population wanted it, insisted Ms. Bourdages.



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Soap Box Derby 2017 update

Jack Harrison

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES: - The race is on! Despite crumbling bridges and jammed highways, the Cascapedia-St-Jules Soap Box Derby will take place on Saturday, October 7, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Both the 12-49 and 50 plus age groups will be racing at this one-day event and this year there will be a special race just for 80-year-olds! There will be no racing on the Sunday of Fall Fest.

The out-of-towners will all be here this year. Lawrence and Bruce Day will race, the Escuminac racers, Lucy-Ann and Robert, have their motors running already, and the slower drivers from the Toronto and London area will be here.

Ivan the Terrible revealed a bit of his much-improved cart and he could be at the top once again. He has offered me some gear lubricant and says it is the best in the world. Should I take the chance?

Jim Geraghty asked me to mention him and say something nice, but I am not a "false news" broadcaster. Even so Jim, everyone knows how good you are, even after a one-year absence.

One of our most liked driver Alex "Moune" Dubé has gone to another track – may God bless.

Everyone is welcome – we have spare carts for those wanting to give it a try. See you all at the 2018 Cascapedia-St. Jules Fall Fest!

28 years for Terry Fox Day

Elaine Sexton

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES: - Cascapedia-St-Jules will be celebrating its 28th year of participating in Terry Fox Day on Sunday, September 17. This year marks the Foundation's 37th Terry Fox Day.

Due to the heavy traffic on the bridges, the walk will take place on Route Beauglen. Registration will be at the Community Center at 10:30 a.m. with the walk beginning at 11 a.m. from the corner of Beauglen and Gallager (parking in field). Organizers are grateful to Lena and Frankie for allowing the use of the field. Participants will walk to the residence of Bert Chalmers and back again. There will be live entertainment to enjoy at the Community Centre beginning at 11:30. If anyone would like to come and sing, you are more than welcome. There will be hot dogs, corn and homemade soup for sale along with bar service, door prizes and free desserts of all kinds.

The first walk raised \$1,043. The goal this year is to reach, \$3,000 with the help of our friends in Gesgapegiag and loyal supporters. For those who are far away but still want to contribute, you may donate online, at the Terry Fox Foundation site, with a direct link to the Cascapedia St-Jules site. This will make sure that your donation will be part of the event held here. The foundation will issue the receipts.

Last year \$2,139 was raised. The main organizers are always excited to receive the phone call at the end of the day to see what the grand total is. It is important to note that it takes many to make such an event successful, including the participants, the musicians, those who make the delicious soups and desserts and the volunteers who help in one aspect or another.

In the 27 years of taking part, Cascapedia-St-Jules has raised a grand total of \$86,033 and all of that is thanks to the generous pledges and support from all the communities.

Those interested in volunteering can call 418-759-5131, or email meggeoff1@gmail.com.

If you cannot make it for the walk, you can still go to the hall for a great afternoon. Organizers hope to see as many of you as possible at this wonderful cause.

Tie your laces and join us once again this year, rain or shine, as our hero Terry did, in helping to reach his goal to find a cure. *"Even if I don't finish we need others to continue. It's got to keep going without me."* Terry Fox.

Please note that Mass will be on Saturday night, September 16, at 4 p.m. and not on Sunday morning.



PUBLIC NOTICE

To the qualified voters entitled to have their name entered on the referendum list of the municipality.

NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, Town clerk of « Ville de Gaspé »,

THAT at a special meeting held September 11, 2017, the town council has adopted the following by-law :

1339-17 : DÉCRÉTANT UNE DÉPENSE D'UNE SOMME DE 385 000 \$ ET UN EMPRUNT DE 385 000 \$ POUR L'ACQUISITION D'UNE DAMEUSE POUR LE CENTRE DE SKI MONT-BÉCHERVAISE ET ABROGEANT LE RÈGLEMENT 1338-17

THAT the qualified voters entitled to have their name entered on the referendum list of the municipality on the date of September 11, 2017, if it concerns natural or legal persons satisfying the requirements of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities may demand that by-law be submitted to a referendum poll according to the same law. The persons qualified to vote on the by-law in question will have access to a register open for that purpose from nine (9) hours to nineteen (19) hours on September 19 and 20, 2017, at the town clerk's office, at the town hall in order to enter their name, address and occupation together with their signature.

CONDITIONS TO BE A QUALIFIED VOTER ENTITLED TO HAVE HIS NAME ENTERED ON THE REFERENDUM LIST OF THE MUNICIPALITY

A person who, on September 11, 2017, is not disqualified from voting according to article 524 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities and meets the following requirements:

- a natural person domiciled in the municipality and, since at least six months, in Québec and is of full age and a Canadian citizen, and not under curatorship.

The non resident sole owner of an immovable or non resident sole occupant of a business place situated in the municipality who is not disqualified from voting and meets the following requirements:

- is the owner of an immovable or sole occupant of a business place situated in the municipality for at least 12 months;
- in the case of a natural person, be of full age and a Canadian citizen and not under curatorship.

The non resident undivided co-owners and non resident co-occupants of a business place situated in the municipality not disqualified from voting and meet the following requirements:

- is the undivided co-owner of an immovable or co-occupant of a business place situated in the municipality for at least 12 months;
- is designated by means of a power of attorney signed by a majority of the persons who are co-owners or co-occupants for at least 12 months, as the one who has the right to sign in their name and to be entered on the referendum list of the municipality. This power of attorney must be produced before or at the signature time.

Legal person:

- have designated by resolution among its members, directors or employees, a person who, on September 11, 2017, and at voting time, is of full age and a Canadian citizen, is not under curatorship and is not disqualified to vote.

THAT the persons qualified to vote on the by-law in question must establish their identity to the responsible person for the register, by presenting, among others: a health-insurance card issued by the Québec Health Insurance Board, a driver's permit issued by the Québec Automobile Insurance Society, a Canadian passport, an identity card of the Canadian Armed Forces, a certificate of Indian status.

THAT the number of applications needed in order that a referendum poll be held for this By-Law is 1229 and failing this number, the concerned by-law will be deemed approved by the qualified voters.

THAT the qualified voters may examine this by-law at the office of the undersigned from 8:15 am to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 4:30 pm from Monday to Thursday, and from 8:15 am to 12 noon on Friday, and during registration hours.

THAT the result of this registration procedure will be announced on September 20, 2017, at 7 pm, at the office of the undersigned, 25, rue de l'Hôtel-de-Ville in Gaspé.

GIVEN at Gaspé, September 13, 2017.

Isabelle Vézina,
Town clerk

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Dream of a lifetime coming true for Kate LeBlanc

Cynthia Dow

NEW RICHMOND: - "I've been wanting to do this trip ever since I finished the book, *Honouring our Heroes*," Kate LeBlanc of New Richmond told SPEC. The book about Gaspésians' involvement in the Armed Forces was a project sponsored by CASA to record the information about veterans all along the Coast.

Kate is also a Past President of the Chaleurs Bay Legion Branch 172 and now she's off, on September 19, to Canada's major battlefields and war cemeteries across northern Europe.

First stop is in Amsterdam, where she will get to visit her Uncle Lloyd's grave at Nijmegen, in Jonkersbos Cemetery. The story of Flight Officer Lloyd LeBlanc became front-page news when his remains were found and buried in 2005. He had been shot down in a Halifax bomber on May 25, 1944, over Holland.

Kate comes by her interest in Canadian military service honestly. She is the daughter of a veteran, Rolly LeBlanc, who served with four of his brothers in World War II. The oldest, Arnold, served in Canada; Lloyd, as mentioned, served in Bomber Command and died in Holland; Roland (Rolly) served with the RCAF in Tunisia; Leonard was at Dieppe, Italy and Germany; and James also served out of England with the Bomber Command in a Lancaster.

A younger brother, Alban, enlisted when he came of age as the war ended. In fact, he was on a boat to Newfoundland when the war in Europe came to a close, and was in Vancouver on his way to the Pacific when Japan surrendered. "He was excited about going, but never saw any action," Kate noted.

It's not just family connections in Europe that Kate means to commemorate. She has a list of cemeteries and graves she intends to visit. At Groesbeek cemetery in Holland, she'll visit five graves: Louis Allan Sexton from Saint Jules; Joseph Duguay from Paspébiac West; Vincent Thibodeau from Maria; Gérard Leblanc from New Richmond station; and Joseph Rosario Dumais from Caplan. Her idea is to take photos of the graves of as many of the local men as she can find. She has been trying to contact family members still in the area, and would love to get photos and more



Photo: C. Dow

Kate LeBlanc of New Richmond.

information about these often forgotten soldiers.

At Holten, a little north of Nijmegen, Kate will visit the grave of James Henderson of New Richmond who had been killed in Antwerp the day after the war ended. He had been working with the Free Polish Resistance movement, and they hadn't heard about the end of hostilities. Others at Holten include James Watson Henderson, James Grant Anningson and Sterling Edmond MacLean, all from New Richmond; Leo Caissy from L'Alvern; and Gérard Vaillancourt from Matapédia.

Before leaving Amsterdam, Kate will join an organized tour into Belgium to see Mechelen, Ypres, and then to Lille, France to visit cemeteries related to the D-Day invasion and First World War battles such as Vimy, Passchendaele and Beaumont Hamel. At the WWI cemetery at Tyne Cot, where some 12,000 soldiers are buried, she hopes to find the graves of soldiers killed at Passchendaele: William Buckland from New Carlisle; Clifford Gilker, who was killed in Nov 1917 (he had lied about his age to join the action); and John Tremblay of Grand Pabos.

The Go Ahead Tour will visit an important WWI battleground for Canadians: Hill 62 outside Lille, and the Museum and Chateau at Passchendaele. Although it's not included in the organized activities, Kate intends to take in the Last Post ceremony at the Menin Gate, which has been held every evening at 8 p.m. since 1923. A volunteer committee from Ypres carries on the tradition.

"I'll be looking for some names on the Gate, names of men with no known grave. There may be more, but so far I have the names of Raymond George Adams from Gaspé,

John Thomas Blampied from New Carlisle, Leslie Dow from Port Daniel Centre, Philip Fairservice of Black Cape, William Lagacé from Matapédia... they were all in their early 20s, probably killed at one of the last battles at Passchendaele on October 3, 1917," Kate explained.

The Canadian War Memorial at Vimy is the ultimate goal for Kate, and SPEC asked why she had not taken in the ceremony for the 100th anniversary that was celebrated this spring. "By the time I looked into it last year, all the tours were booked solid, but I am glad I was not there with 25,000 people! I couldn't imagine seeing what I want to see with so many people around. Now there will be fewer going through it with me, I'll have more opportunity to wander around." She is especially keen to have her pho-

tograph taken with the Mother of Canada statue, internationally recognized as one of the most touching war memorials in the world.

Kate told SPEC there are at least 38 Gaspésians commemorated at Vimy including seven killed on April 9 at the major Battle of Vimy, "where Canada became a nation." It was the first battle when all Canadian regiments fought under one infantry banner, under the leadership of General Curry. Killed that day were Willier Bonenfant (20) of Rivière au Renard; Alphée Fournier (33) of Bonaventure; Charles Henry Philips (25) of Peninsula; John LeBlanc (20) of New Richmond; John Peter Roy of Bonaventure; Carl Sweetman (24) of Port Daniel; and Elias Tapp (28) of Rivière au Renard.

Kate also looks forward to seeing the Caribou memorial commemorating the death of more than 700 members of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment at Beaumont Hamel. "Only 68 people walked away from that catastrophe," she notes.

During the visit to the Normandy Coast she will go to Bény-sur-Mer where Leslie Holland Coull from Grand Cascapédia is buried: he died during the D-day invasion. He was the son of WWI veteran Sydney Coull who named his four sons after battles in which he had fought. Three of the four enlisted in WWII: Arras, Granville, and Holland. Ver-

dun was too young to enlist. Arras and Granville survived the war. She's also going to Dieppe, where her Uncle Leonard fought and survived. He was declared Missing In Action for two days, then brought back to England by the French underground.

"People think it's ghoulish to do cemetery visits, but for me it's a way of honouring these young men. We owe everything we have to them; they gave up their youth so we could live to an old age. Doing this trip is like the final chapter of the book. When I was preparing it, I got to know them as people, not just names. I got invested in who they were. It's important to me that they not be forgotten."

Kate is always surprised by the number of people who don't know their relatives who served and died in Europe. She noted it's easy to do research online, and through Veterans Affairs, Canadians can even get the entire military history of their ancestors. "I'm going to visit Holland, France and Belgium to say Hi from the Gaspé," Kate told SPEC.

Kate would like to hear from anyone who wants a photograph of a grave, or who can share with her stories about the soldiers who never came home. You can reach her at katyboo@navigue.com and follow her tour at the Go Ahead Tours online: the Canadian World War History in Europe Tour.



Photo: courtesy of Kate LeBlanc

From left, Kate's Uncle Leonard and her father Roland (Rolly) LeBlanc in their uniforms.

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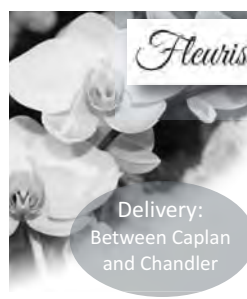
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Obituary

KENNEDY: Sister Cecelia

1921-2017

"Children let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action." (1 John 3:18)

Sister Cecelia was called to heaven on August 21, 2017. For many years a resident of the Sisters of the Holy Rosary Mother House at Rimouski, Sister served her congregation for seventy-two years as a teacher, principal and a tireless worker in the field of education on the Gaspesie, in Campbellton and Maine.

My most vivid memory of Sister is centered on that momentous day of November 22, 1963. When news of the assassination of President Kennedy enveloped our school at Listuguj, all classes were cancelled and the students assembled in the auditorium. Three televisions in the huge room brought us the tragedy in Dallas. After about an hour of viewing, the leadership of the room turned to Sister Cecelia who led us all in the praying of the Rosary, interspersed between the decades with spontaneous prayers and comments from Sister. I left the school about four p.m. Sister was still praying with a group of Sisters and parents.

As I left the yard, I recalled what my mother had often told me years before. "Mr. Elias Briand and Mrs. Annie Kennedy knew more prayers than anyone I've met." Mrs. Annie was Cecelia's mother. Sister told me that her mother was a prolific reader and had taught all her six children to read before they had started school, which Cecelia had begun in 1928.

My mother added something else. Mrs. Annie prayed three complete rosaries a day! Cecelia had learned to pray very early as a child. Mother went on to tell me that the parents of Up-the-Bay in Douglastown confided about their children on Sunday p.m. to Mrs. Annie Rooney Kennedy so that she could verify if their prayers were well enough mastered that they might go down to Douglastown to make their First Communion! Small wonder, then, that Sister Cecelia led us in prayer on that November afternoon!

Sister Cecelia was convinced of her calling to the Sisters of the Holy Rosary in 1945 and entered the novitiate in that same year. Her entry was well supported and sustained by her mother's sister, Grace Rooney (Mother St. Bridgit) herself a senior sister of the R.S.R. congregation.

After her profession in religious life, Sister was assigned to teach at Restigouche (Listuguj) and then, respectively, at Barchois, Matapedia, Gaspé and Pointe Navarre. She next went to study in Montreal and then returned to the Gaspesie. She went on to teach at Kittery, Maine, before being posted to Campbellton where she coordinated catechetics and directed the St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Choir. Later, she moved to Portland and Alfred, Maine, where she animated at a retreat centre.

In 2001, in failing health, she returned to the Mother House and worked in the linen room until her declining health forced her to withdraw from physical work in 2004. In 2007, she entered the CSR Health Unit where she remained until her passing.

Other than my recollection of November 1963, I would like to remind colleagues and former students of two special attributes of Sister Kennedy that are memorable.

The seventeen and eighteen-year-old girls at Restigouche in '62 came from all along the Gaspesie. They lived in a residence adjacent to the high school. A huge skating rink was nearby. A Sister was always present and called the girls at 6:40 p.m. They had to be in their

residence at 7 p.m. but Sister Kennedy had a different recipe. Under her supervision, they "cut the ice" until 7 and, often, she approved of five extra minutes! Upon her passing, one of those very students said, "Sister Cecelia was so kind with us. She understood us and always defended us. A great influence and a fine lady." The real milk of human kindness!

Yes, a great defender. One Monday morning she knocked on my door. "Mr. Briand," she began, "will you be kind to the girls this morning. They owe you a major essay, but yesterday they had a big birthday party and some of them feel their essays are not up to the standard you expect. They don't feel it is wise to pass them in."

Sister was their ombudswoman. I agreed to extend by two days and swore never again to demand a major assignment on Monday mornings. The girls were all appreciative and Sister Cecelia later told me that good teachers ought to be marked by kindness.

Farewell, Sister Cecelia. May you live in the presence of God whom you have served with fidelity during a long life.

Gary Briand



In Memory

FLOWERS: Lee

In memory of my dear brother Lee who passed away on September 7, 2016.

I think of you in silence.

I often speak your name.

Life here without you, Lee,

Has never been the same.

Loved and missed by sister Iona and family (Troy, Kent & Glen).

FLOWERS: Lloyd

In loving memory of our cherished and beloved son and brother who left us suddenly as the result of a car accident on September 5, 1979.

This month comes back with deep regret.

It brings back a night we won't forget.

You fell asleep without saying goodbye

And our memories of you will never die.

We miss you more than anyone knows,

As each day passes, our emptiness grows.

The tears we shed will wipe away,

But the ache in our heart will always stay.

No one knows the grief we bear

When our family meets and you're not there.

You left us suddenly, your thoughts unknown,

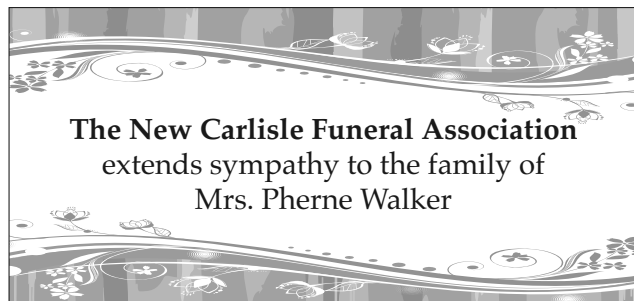
But you left us memories we are proud to own.

Will always be loved and never forgotten by Mom, Dad, brothers Clyde and Wayne and sisters Carol and Darlene.

Card of Thanks

A special thank-you to all my family and friends for all the lovely cards and best wishes for my birthday and in the time of my illness. They were greatly appreciated.

Alberta Flowers



The New Carlisle Funeral Association extends sympathy to the family of Mrs. Pherne Walker

WALSH: Lois

I often lie awake at night,

When the world is fast asleep

And take a walk down memory lane

With tears upon my cheeks.

Remembering you is easy,

I do it every day.

Missing you is a heartache

That never goes away.

I hold you tightly within my heart,

And there you will remain,

Until the joyous day arrives,

When we will meet again.

Love, your husband Bill.

Novena to St. Jude

Most holy St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the church honours and evokes you in universality as the patron of hopeless cases; of things almost despaired of, pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make sure, I implore you, of that particular privilege given to you to bring visible and speedy health where health is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance. This great need is that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and suffering particularly - say your request - and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever.

I promise, oh blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favour, to always honour you as my special and powerful patron and to greatly encourage devotion to you. Amen.

G.T.

A Celebration of the Journey of Life (and Peter's 70th birthday)

Friends of Peter Ross

(Yes, he's coming back to celebrate in Gaspé) are invited to join him on

Sunday, October 1, from 2-4 pm

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COAST ROUND-UP

GASPÉ:

Terry Fox Run

On **September 17** at 1 p.m. on the bicycle path, starting on the wharf street, at Synnott's Location Shop to Boom Defense Hill and back. There will be sweaters, participating stickers and refreshments. Donations will be accepted for this worthy cause, CANCER RESEARCH. Pledge forms can be obtained by contacting Nellis Rehel 418 368 5901.

YORK:

Military Whist Tournament

The York River Seniors Club invites you to a regional military-whist tournament on **Saturday, September 23**, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Gaspé Elementary School, 234 Monseigneur Leblanc, Gaspé. The cost for the day is \$25, which includes lunch and an assortment of prizes. For more information or to register a table of 4 players, please contact Tony Patterson 418-368-3276 or Cynthia McDonald 418-368-5227.

DOUGLASTOWN:

Douglastown Community Center Upcoming Events

Sunday, September 17, from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., we welcome everyone to our monthly community breakfast. Join friends and neighbours for an excellent breakfast with a traditional menu. \$8 for adults (12 & over), \$4 for children (5-11 years) would be appreciated (ages 4 and under, free). There will be a few nice changes to our menu.

Monday, September 18, at 7 p.m. storytelling evening. *Les semeurs de contes*, a group of eight storytellers are finishing their walking tour in Gaspé; and they will be having an evening of storytelling. Let us know if you want to be part of this evening. Voluntary contribution. There will possibly be a few stories in English.

Friday, October 6, at 5 p.m., the Community Centre's Happy Hour will be dedicated to all Douglastown newcomers! This is a great opportunity to get together with old friends or make new ones. Bring your refreshments and a dish to share. A voluntary contribution would be appreciated.

DOUGLASTOWN:

An invitation

The Community Centre would like to invite you to come and enjoy our living room during regular greeting hours. A nice place to read, study, chat with a friend or just sit and enjoy the view. We have a new espresso machine that is waiting for you.

BARACHOIS:

Malbay Festival General Meeting

A general meeting for the Malbay Festival will be held **Wednesday, September 20**, at 7 p.m., at Barachois Recreation Centre. Information concerning the festival and to elect a committee for the 2018 Festival.

BARACHOIS:

Legion Branch 261 Upcoming Events

Every Monday: The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 261, will be having a bingo at 7 p.m. at the Legion. Everyone welcome.

BARACHOIS:

Yoga

Come out and try Yoga on **Saturday, September 16**, at 10 a.m. at the Belle Anse School for a reduced rate of \$5. Bilingual instruction. Your body will thank you for it! Regular weekly session starts in October.

BARACHOIS:

Harvest Supper

There will be a Harvest Supper at the Mountain View Golden Age Club at 857 Route 132 East on **Saturday, September 30**, at 5 p.m. \$12 for adults, and \$6 for children under 12. For tickets contact Flora Asselin at 418-645-3919 or Janet Harvey at 418-355-3899. Seats are limited - Everyone is welcome!

BARACHOIS:

Public Market

The next Barachois Public Market will take place on **Saturday, September 23**, at the Barachois Recreation Centre from 9 a.m. to noon. If you live in the Barachois / St- Georges / Percé areas and are interested in selling your garden vegetables or fruit, baking, jams, crocheting, knitting, etc. (either as an individual or as a fundraiser for a group), and would like to reserve a table (\$10) please contact Sandy Coombs at 418-645-2874. Tables are limited, so please reserve by September 21.

BARACHOIS:

Pot Luck Supper

There will be a Pot Luck Supper at the Barachois Recreation Centre at 5 p.m. on **Saturday, September 16, 2017**. \$8 per person, \$5 children - 12 and under. All proceeds go to the Gaspé Cancer Foundation. For more info or to donate, contact Debbie Touzel at 418-782-6455 or Carolyn DeVouge at 418-360-3651.

PORT DANIEL AND SHIGAWAKE:

Bible Study

Evening Prayer and discussion will be held at Shigawake Town Hall every **Wednesday** (unless otherwise noted) at 7 p.m. and at St. James, Port Daniel, every **Friday**.

HOPE TOWN:

Bingo

There will be a gift bingo on **Friday, September 22**, at 7:30 p.m. Proceeds for replacement of rink nets and contribution to renovation costs. Bingo will take place at the Community Center and is organized by the Sports and Recreation Club.

HOPE TOWN:

Whist Party

A whist party will be held on **Saturday, October 14** at 8 p.m. at the Hope Town Community Centre. Come out and join us for a night of fun.

HOPE TOWN:

Hope Baptist Church

Hebrews 10:25 says "You should not stay away from the church meetings, as some are doing..." Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. for all ages; Family Worship at 11 a.m. Sunday, (nursery provided); King's Kids (ages 5-12) at 3:30 p.m. Friday; Young Peoples (Gr. 7 and up) at 7 p.m. Friday. We are a Christ-centered, Bible-believing and preaching, friendly church where everyone is welcome. 305 Route 132, Hometown 418-752-5838 Pastor Paul R. Bedford BTh. MTh.

HOPE TOWN:

Terry Fox Walk

September 17 will be Hope Town's 14th annual Terry Fox Walk. Registration will be between 12 and 1 p.m. at the Community Center in Hope Town. This year again we will be walking on the 132 from Travers Lane in Shigawake to Hope's Municipal Hall which is a total of 10.7 km. Transportation is arranged from Hope Town to Shigawake where the walk will begin. For more information or pledge sheets please call Linda MacWhirter at 418-752-2015 or e-mail at linmac@navigate.com.

NEW CARLISLE:

Church Service

Knox Presbyterian Church will be holding a service on **Sunday, September 17**, at 3 p.m.

NEW CARLISLE:

Corn Boil

Bay Chaleur Shrine Club will be holding a corn boil on the New Carlisle Green on **Saturday, September 16**, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. \$10 per person for two corn and a chili dog. Musical entertainment will be provided by Derek Knowles, member of the New Brunswick Country Music Hall of Fame. Profits in support of the Montreal Shriners Hospital. For tickets call 418-72-8397.

NEW CARLISLE:

Julia's Tea Corner Closed

Julia's Tea Corner, located at the Kempffer Cultural and Interpretation Centre is closed until next summer. Next year, if all goes according to plan, we hope to be able to offer guests the opportunity to have tea outside on our new deck (on sunny days) Please note that the new price will be \$8. Hope to see you then!! Keep checking Coast Round-Up for further activities this coming fall.

NEW CARLISLE:

Card Games

Every first Thursday of the month, starting in October throughout the fall 2017 and Winter 2018, Kempffer Cultural and Interpretation Centre will have card games from 1 to 4 p.m. at the New Carlisle Town Hall. Play what you wish and bring your partner. Refreshments will be served. \$5 entrance fee. Proceeds go to Heritage New Carlisle.

NEW CARLISLE:

Harvest Supper

St. Andrew's Anglican Church will be holding its annual harvest supper on **Saturday, September 23**, from 4:30 to 6 p.m., takeouts 3:30 to 4:30 only. Adults \$12, children under 10 \$6. For takeouts call Mary Beth at 418-752-3661.

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 - 7 p.m. "You Must Be Born Again."

NEW CARLISLE:

Monthly Breakfast

The New Carlisle 50+ Club will be holding its monthly breakfast at the Heritage Restaurant on **Wednesday, October 11**, at 9 a.m.

NEW CARLISLE:

Local Market

The last market of the season and garlic festival will be on **Saturday, September 23**, with a mini theme of Christmas. Stock up for winter with fresh vegetables and other local products. Buy special Christmas gifts. Support our local producers and artisans. Socialize, listen to music and eat lots of delicious homemade food from soup to sausages and learn about garlic. Face painting. More than 20 vendors. Join us in the park rain or shine! (In the arena if it rains)

NEW CARLISLE:

Walk-a-thon

Mark your calendar for this year's fall fundraising event for the Linda LeMore-Brown Foundation's Walk-a-thon - **Sunday, October 11**. Registration is at 12:30 p.m. at the Optimist Chalet. Information and pledge sheets are available at the CASA office at 208B Gerard D. Levesque, New Carlisle, or call 418-752-5995.

NEW RICHMOND:

United Church

October 21: Turkey Supper
December 15: Christmas Concert.

NEW RICHMOND:

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CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES:

Exhibition by Barry Le Blanc

From La Cache to the estuary, a photographic essay of the Grand Cascapedia. Landscape photographer, Barry Le Blanc, will exhibit striking images of this internationally-renowned salmon river. Throughout this exhibit, which includes interviews and a twenty minute video, he brings to light many beautiful locations, capturing the changing spirit of the Grand Cascapedia. **Closes**

September 15.

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES:

50+ Club Activities

Friday, September 22: Music-doors open at 7 p.m.
Every Thursday: Dame de Pique at 1 p.m. \$5 per person.

CASCAPEDIA-ST. JULES:

Book Launch:

The Royal Canadian Legion Baie de Chaleur Branch 172 will be hosting a book launch for "The Endless Battle" at 55 Gallagher Rd. Cascapedia St. Jules on September 23, from 2-4 p.m. The author, Andy Flanagan, will deliver a short talk about the Canadian participation in the defence of Hong Kong and their internment as POW's in Japan. An exhibit of artifacts, diaries and related materials will be on display. Books will be available for purchase. Everyone is welcome to attend.

GESGAPEGIAG:

Community Market

A community market will be held in the Galgosiet building on **Saturday, September 23**, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. To reserve a table for \$5, call the band office (Bonnie Jerome) 418-759-3441.

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Sunday, September 17

2 p.m. Hopetown

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Sunday, September 17

Shigawake

9 a.m Holy Eucharist

New Carlisle

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Hopetown

Hopetown United Church

Joint Service with Anglicans

2 p.m.

PARISH OF GASPE

Sunday, September 17

York

10 a.m. Morning Prayer

PARISH OF ALL SAINTS BY THE SEA

Sunday, September 17

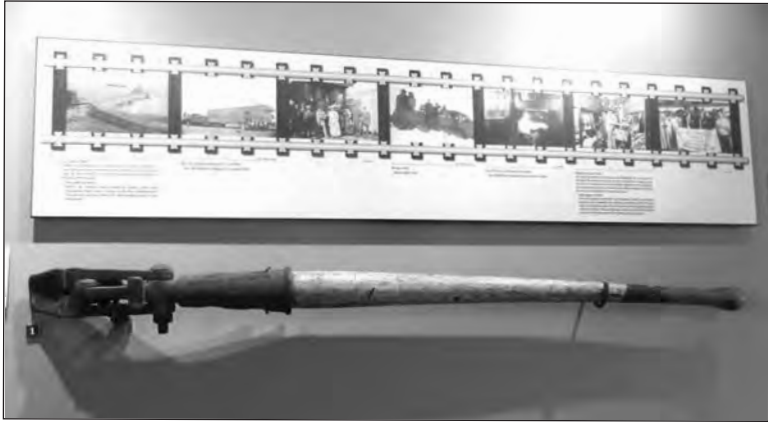
St. Peter's Malbay

11 a.m. Service

On the lighter side

What's This Artifact?

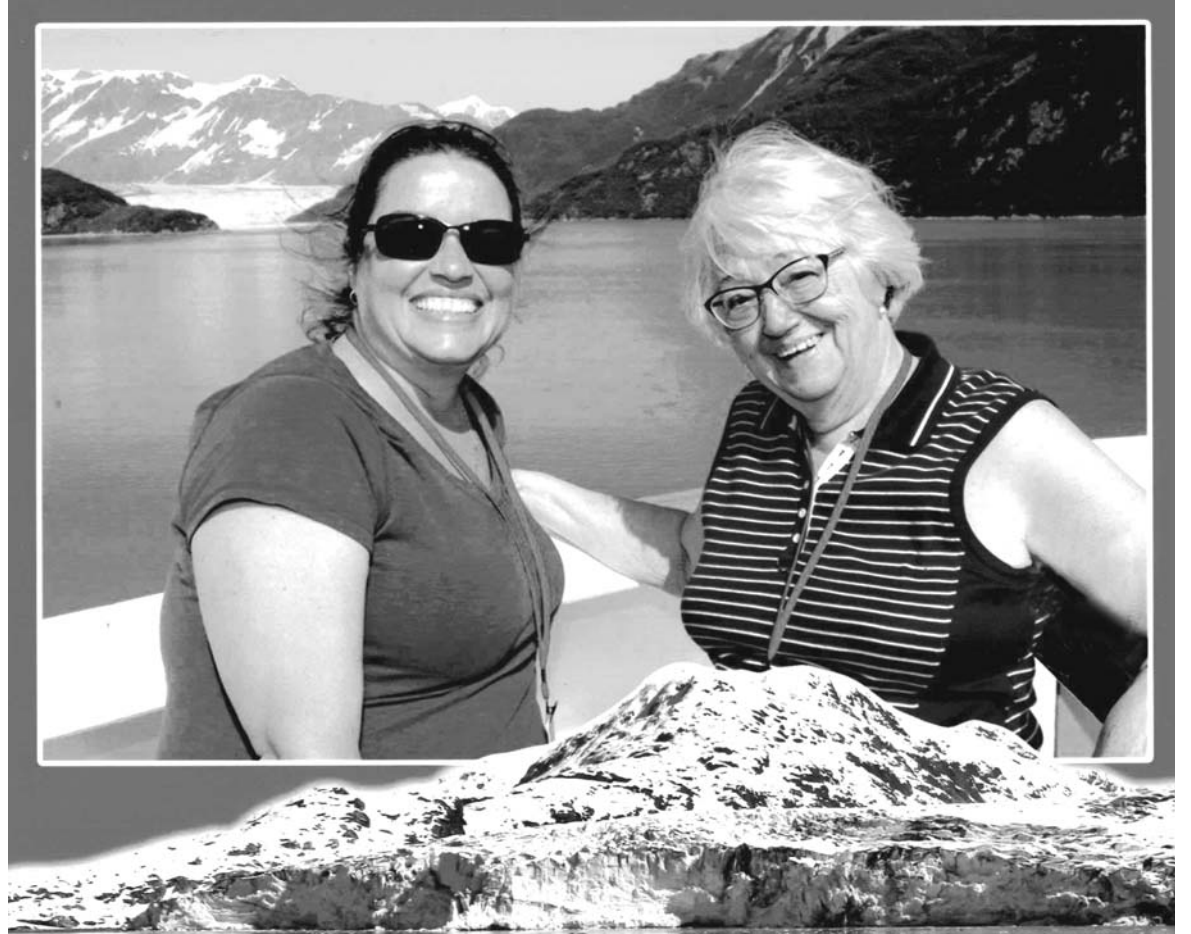
Marshall Billingsley



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

This item is long and has a wooden handle connected to a cast iron piece of metal that looks like it was once connected to something else, it looks to be some sort of object that was pulled to make something else happen.

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



Unforgettable cruising experience

Judy and Stephanie Gallan enjoyed a Gaither Homecoming Cruise to Alaska, sailing out of Seattle, on board the Holland America Cruiseline this summer. The scenery was amazing with snow-capped mountains, pristine water and whales along the way. Visits were made in Juneau, Ketchikan and Sitka, an old Russian built town with Russian influence still today. It was really something to see the Hubbard glacier "calving," first the sound of cracking like thunder, then a loud boom as the ice broke off and fell into the water below. Great country gospel singers and musician concerts every night make for an entertaining and enjoyable week.

You can see many more artifacts like this one at:



Guess Who?

I am a comedic actress born on September 16, 1971 in Massachusetts. I was a member of the oldest collegiate improv comedy troupe and studied improv at Second City. I have worked on "Saturday Night Live" and have TV and film credits to my name.

Answer: Amy Poehler

NEW CARLISLE SONG

There's a place down on the Gaspé Coast
They call it New Carlisle
It may not be the best on earth
Or up to date in style
But no matter where I wander
Or no matter where I roam
I'll always tell the folks I meet
It's there that I call home.

Well, it's lovely in the summertime
With all the trees in bloom.
There's lakes where you can go to fish
And also swimming too.
In the evening when the sun goes down
And you want to take a ride,
You'll enjoy the scenes of beauty there
Along the countryside.

Some day I hope that I'll return
And never more to roam.
There never was a truer song
Than the one called 'Home Sweet Home'
I may look for satisfaction
As I travel o'er the miles
But I'm sure I'll never find it
'Til I hit old New Carlisle.

Song written by Dorothy Wellman
(mother of Jimmy, Sandy, Bob and Vern Hunting-



If you've washed and dried a tube of lipstick with a load of laundry, saturate the lipstick spots with WD-40 and re-wash. Presto! Lipstick is gone!



ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, don't let plans that don't come to fruition discourage you. Many of your plans will fall into place, and there is plenty of time to think of others. Keep dreaming away.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

People close to you may be keeping secrets, Taurus. You don't know the reason they aren't telling you everything, but chances are you'll get the full story soon enough.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21

You might feel as if your mental wiring is about to expire, Gemini. It could be time to shut the circuits down and let your brain recharge its batteries.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, expect this week to go smoothly as you put in a lot of time and effort. Extra effort will pay off in the days ahead, and others will begin to notice.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, when you speak with your friends, your imagination runs wild with all the prospects of things to do. Narrow down a few of the best ideas and put them into action.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

HOROSCOPES

Virgo, whether you are dating someone new or have been with your partner for years, this week your love life will be top notch. Enjoy all the special moments you experience.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Everyone wants something you possess, Libra. It's not a material object, but self-confidence and common sense. Continue to exhibit the same passion you always do.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you are prone to sticking to the familiar and things that might not provide much of a challenge. This is the week to try something new.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, it's great to have many helpful, supportive people in your corner. These supporters are with you at every turn. Show them how much they're appreciated.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Attention to detail can make or break a project for you, Capricorn. Even if it

takes more time, focus on the smaller picture when working this week.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, your way with words this week is simply outstanding. You can persuade someone to support your position, even if he or she was once opposed to the idea.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, sharing your feelings right now can strengthen a relationship. Be sure that this is the direction you seek before uttering any words.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

- SEPTEMBER 10
Colin Firth, Actor (57)
- SEPTEMBER 11
Harry Connick, Jr., Singer (50)
- SEPTEMBER 12
Louis CK, Comic (50)
- SEPTEMBER 13
Niall Horan, Singer (24)
- SEPTEMBER 14
Andrew Lincoln, Actor (44)
- SEPTEMBER 15
Danny Nucci, Actor (49)
- SEPTEMBER 16
Marc Anthony, Singer (49)

It's HARVEST Time



TO HELP USE SOME OF THOSE FRESH VEGETABLES
TRY ONE OF OUR FAVOURITE RECIPES

Lemon-Zucchini Cookies

- 2 cups flour
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 3/4 cup butter or margarine
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 egg beaten
- 1 tsp. (or more) grated lemon peel
- 1 cup shredded unpeeled zucchini
- 1 cup chopped walnuts.



Stir together flour, baking powder and salt; set aside. In separate bowl, cream butter and sugar until light. Beat in egg and peel until fluffy. At low speed or with rubber scraper, stir in flour mixture until dough is smooth. Stir in zucchini and walnuts. Drop by rounded teaspoonsfuls on greased cookie sheet. Bake in preheated 375°F over 15 to 20 minutes or until very lightly browned. If desired while warm, drizzle lightly with lemon frosting. Cook on racks. Makes 6 to 7 dozen cookies. **Lemon frosting:** Mix well 1 cup icing sugar and 1 1/2 tbsp. lemon juice.

Zucchini-Pepper Relish

- 4- 5 pounds zucchini
- 6 - 8 large onions
- 1/3 cup salt
- 2 1/2 cups vinegar
- 4 cups sugar
- 1 tbsp. ground nutmeg
- 1 tbsp. dry mustard
- 2 tsp. celery salt or seasoned salt
- 1 tsp. tumeric
- 1 sweet red pepper, chopped
- 1 green pepper, chopped

Wash the zucchini, peel if desired or if the skin is very tough. Peel and quarter the onions. Put the vegetables through the coarse blade of a food grinder or chop coarsely. In a large bowl, combine this mixture with salt; mix well. Set aside and let stand overnight. The next day, drain the vegetables thoroughly. Rinse them with cold water and drain again. In a large kettle, combine the remaining ingredients and heat to boiling.

Stir in the zucchini and onion and heat to boiling, then reduce the heat and simmer 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Ladle the relish into hot sterilized Mason jars to within 1/2 inch of top. Put on the lids and screw bands as the manufacturer directs. Process in a boiling water bath for 10 minutes.



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