Two awesome contests waiting for you inside this edition.



2017 saw more people move to the Gaspé and the Magdalen Islands

Geneviève Gélinas

GASPÉ: – The Gaspé and the Magdalen Islands gained 122 inhabitants between 2016 and 2017, a 0.13% increase and the best migratory balance of all Quebec remote regions, according to the last data compiled by the Quebec Statistics Institute (ISQ). The increase is due to the arrival of working-age newcomers, especially those between the ages of 25 and 44.

"That's wonderful news. We've attracted 304 more people than last year," says Danik O'Connor, coordinator for the Gaspésie and Magdalen Islands Sustainable settlement strategy. There were 2,171 newcomers in 2016-2017. There were 1,867 in 2015-2016, which resulted in a negative balance, because more people had moved to another region.



Briand.

HOp to It!

The Briand Colenbier family is not alone, others have had a similar experience since the de Côte-de-Gaspé MRC has the highest number of newcomers in the region, with a 92-inhabitant increase. The enlargement of the LM Wind Power blade manufacturing plant, which hired 300 people in a year and a half in Gaspé, is clearly a reason for this increase, states Mr. O'Connor. "The national recruitment strategy of LM began to debunk the myth of a lack of jobs in the region."

The Îles-de-la-Madeleine MRC (+42 inhabitants) and Rocher-Percé (+38) also had more newcomers than people who left. In Rocher-Percé, the jobs created at the Port-Daniel cement plant had a positive impact on demography, observes Mr. O'Connor.

The three other MRCs of

You have to go back to 2011 to see the last positive migratory balance on the Gaspé, and to 2010 to see a better balance, with a net migration of 146 people. With these statistics, the ISQ measures the migrations between the Quebec regions.

Steeve Colenbier, Marie-Eve Briand and their children Étienne and Lilia settled in Gaspé in August.

Marie-Eve Briand and Steeve Colenbier moved to Gaspé with their two children in August. "I work for Parks Canada and I seized the opportunity of a position which was available on the Gaspé. We were in Chambly, on the south shore of Montreal and we decided to try an adventure. We already had an attachement to the Coast. We're

outdoor lovers and we had visited the region several times. The landscape and the sea attracted us. Our adaptation is going well and we're very, very pleased," says Ms.

the region show a negative migratory balance, but their losses are small. The net result in Avignon is a decrease of 11 inhabitants, who moved to other regions of the province, the Bonaventure

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Recycling glass machinery.

A campaign that doesn't involve part of the Gaspé

Thierry Haroun

GASPÉ PENINSULA: - If you are a citizen of the Town of Gaspé or the Percé Rock MRC, there's a province-wide campaign that doesn't involve you. On the Quebec National Assembly website there is an online petition requesting that all wine and alcohol bottles be returnable at the *Société des Alcools du Québec (SAQ)*.

This was confirmed by Nathalie Drapeau, the Executive Director of the Grand River Recycling Plant, managed by the Regie intermunicipale de traitement des matieres residuelles de la Gaspesie. "No it doesn't because we currently have a pilot-project that collects all the glass that people of the Gaspé and Percé Rock MRC put in their blue bin. It's recycled at 100% and we re-use it for many other things through special projects in our MRC."

In fact, what Ms. Drapeau is talking about relates to an announcement made on June 28, 2017 (see Spec's issue of July 5, 2017) during which an \$800,000 innovative project that involves recycling glass was divulged. The 15-month pilot project resumed in March 2017 and ending this June, consists of recycling conveyor rejects in which small broken glass can be found. To do so, it takes hightech equipment. From the start of the operation to the end, where the very fine glass is recuperated, there are six steps in all, such as separating, quality control, the imploder and screening. The final product of the chain operation is a very fine glass that can afterwards be used in different sectors and projects, such as landscaping, road construction, water filtration, mineral wool, sports fields and so forth.

Big savings and projects

"The project is going very smoothly. It's up to our expectations. We're actually saving \$70,000 for the first year of operation (given that the rejects won't have to be transported and buried at the waste site in Gaspe). We've recycled up to now 150 tons of glass with a quality of 99.8%. The fine pure glass that comes out of the operation is now used for pedestrian trails at Nova Lumina's tourist venue in Chandler, for instance. We are also working on a project in collaboration with Eco Entre prises Québec, the Town of Chandler and l'École de Technologie Supérieure du Québec in order to use the fine glass as backfill for construction." If everything goes as planned, in June, Nathalie Drapeau, will make the decision to make the pilot-project a permanent project. "We're pretty sure we are

heading towards that decision given that this project has only advantages and it creates one full-time job." The Grand River recycling plant employs 15 people on a yearly basis for all its operations.

The total investment of the project is \$800,000: \$358,000 from *Éco Entreprises Québec* (that fosters the project), \$150,000 from the *Régie intermunicipale des matières résiduelles de la Gaspésie* and \$272,000 from RECYC-QUÉBEC.



News briefs

Good news for Bonaventure MRC

Thierry Haroun

BONAVENTURE: - On March 6, the provincial government announced the addition of 2000 new daycare centre (CPE) spots across the province. Of those, 24 are reserved exclusively for the Bonaventure MRC. "It's very good news for that MRC which is in need of new places. The CPEs concerned have until June 6 to present their project," pointed out Marie-Christine Boudreau, coordinator for the Gaspé Peninsula at the RESPEQ (a regional board that represents the CPEs of Eastern Québec). Julie Dalpé who manages two CPEs in the Bonaventure MRC says, "We in the Bonaventure MRC will indeed take these new places because the birth rate is up in our area and that's the reason why these places are reserved for us. I'm really satisfied with this announcement."

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Jean-François, Éric, Sylvain and Jonathan Denis, all work for the LM Wind Power plant in Gaspé.

Father and three sons all work at the same plant

Geneviève Gélinas

GASPÉ: – Four men from the same family work at the LM Wind Power blade manufacturing plant, in Gaspé. Sylvain Denis was among the first groups of workers to be hired, he was followed by his two oldest sons who joined him over the years, while his youngest started working at the plant in February.

Sylvain Denis, 56 years old, says that the opening of the LM plant happened at a time when he really needed a job. "I lived with my two oldest, who were 11 and 14 years old. I was divorced. I was on social assistance and I used to pray very hard to get a job at LM!" he says.

On March 13, 2006, Mr. Denis started working at LM as a production worker. In 2014, he worked at night and the employees' union needed a representative on that shift. He accepted to get involved. He became president of the union in October 2016, and has remained in this position until now. He continues to work his shifts on the plant floor, "and when I'm not working, I perform tasks for the union."

To have his three sons working in the same plant as him makes him "very proud, there are no words to say it. When they begin their shift at 6 p.m., I go and see them," Mr. Denis says.

Jonathan Denis, who is 26 years old was hired in 2010. "I was searching for a job and I knew that my father was happy there." He started as a production worker and is now a night supervisor. "I have to

manage what's going on during my shift, in my team of 20 people."

The second oldest son, Éric, first worked at the LM plant from 2012 to 2014, and then again since January 2017. His position is team leader. "We feel proud that the whole family works there. We have a good name." Father and sons don't share the same schedule and it's sometimes difficult to see each other. "We get news through facebook," Éric says.

The youngest son, Jean-François Denis, who is 18 years old, started a semester last fall at the Rimouski Cegep. "I didn't like studying, I had been thinking of working for LM before and I felt far from my family." So in February, it was his turn to experience his first day at the plant.

Police report

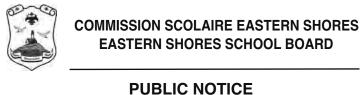
On March 21, 2018 the Sûreté du Québec investigators and the major crime squad raided a residence on Cyr Road in New Richmond and seized 359 methamphetamine pills, 120 grams of cannabis, cash and drug trafficking paraphernalia.

The occupant of the home, Kevin Dagenais, 26, was arrested and appeared at the New Carlisle courthouse on charges of possession of methamphetamine and cannabis for the purpose of trafficking, breach of probation and breach of an undertaking.

The bail hearing of the accused was set to March 23 and put over to March 26, 2018. The accused was remanded in custody at the New Carlisle detention center.







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PUBLIC NOTICE ENACTMENT OF BY-LAW

NOTICE is hereby given that the Town Council, at its regular meeting held on March 19, 2018, has adopted the follow-

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CHECK THE COAST ROUND-UP PAGE OF THE GASPÉ SPEC! **PUBLIC NOTICE** is hereby given that the meetings of the COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS and EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of Eastern Shores School Board have been moved to **April 26**, **2018**, instead of April 17, 2018. The EXECUTIVE COUNCIL will meet on **April 26**, **2018**, at 6 P.M and the COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS will meet afterwards at **7** P.M. at the Administrative office of the School Board, 40 Mountsorrel Street, New Carlisle, Québec.

Given at New Carlisle, Québec March 23, 2018

Denise Paulson Interim Secretary General Eastern Shores School Board

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ing By-Laws:

Règlement 1363-18:

Règlement concernant un programme d'aide financière à l'égard du lot 5 667 892, cadastre du Québec.

By-law 1364-18:

« Règlement fixant les modalités de la prise en charge par la ville de Gaspé de tout système de traitement tertiaire avec une désinfection par rayonnement ultraviolet d'une résidence isolée et remplaçant le règlement 1135-11. »

NOTICE is also given that this By-Laws are deposited at the office of the municipality and that the interested may there take cognizance thereof during regular office hours.

GIVEN at Gaspe, March 28, 2018.

Isabelle Vézina, Director of legal services and town clerk

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Editorial page



Commentary Cynthia **Dow**

In a hurry to die

For the past year, I have been on the detour due to the closure of the bridge over the Grand Cascapedia River. I did not sign up for this: noise, pollution, accidents. My blissful location, chosen to enjoy the tranquility, scenery, birds and wildlife, was turned into a stressful one overnight. We are fortunate that there are two other bridges to take us across the big river, but I can't wait until the main bridge is fixed!

I never realized how poorly Gaspesians drive until the 132 started going by my house, incessantly, day and night.

Speeding, tail-gating, weaving from one side of the road to another. Running too close to the centre line, or too close to the ditch. Choosing to use my driveway to turn around: a dangerous occupation on a blind curve! Most drivers don't seem to have any common sense at all.

And trust me, you do not want to walk here right now. I used to walk to the bridge twice a day with my dog. Often, a neighbour would drive by and we'd stop and have a chat, waving on the few other cars that came along. Not any more: I haven't seen my neighbours to speak of since last May!

I did try to walk to the bridge once after the detour set in, and hastily made a retreat. With the number of vehicles and the wanton disregard they show to pedestrians, it is taking my life in my hands even just to go next door.

The constant speeding is what gets me the most. You can correct for a lot of unforeseen problems if you are going 70 kilometres an hour, which is the posted speed on this stretch of the detour. But people whiz by here at 90 and 100 all the time. This is a dangerous road for such speeds, especially in the winter. It's narrow and twisting and much of the road above my place never sees sun, so it stays icy all day. The road was simply not built as a highway, and drivers should adjust their speed accordingly.

And let me tell you about tail-gating. Since most drivers don't seem to want to follow the speed limit, if you do they sure get on your ass. Several friends have had to drive by my place and get off the road elsewhere to turn and come back because they were afraid to slow down in order to turn in. It's crazy.

Now it's time for me to confess: I tail-gated myself one day. I had complained to the Ministry of Transport people that big trucks, in particular log trucks, were speeding all the time. Their response was that the trucks may appear to be going faster, but it's really just because they are so big.

So one evening coming home from New Richmond I decided to follow a log truck that was in front of me. It wasn't so bad coming through Cascapedia, he was going about 60, but when he turned at the tracks, he took off and crossed the two small bridges at about 80. He did stop at the corner at the Village Store, and turned onto MacKay, but then took off at 90 kilometres an hour in the 50-kilometre zone, a speed which hardly diminished as he went up the hill and through the curves.

I tried in vain to get his license plate number

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and the name of the company, but they were so smeared with dirt I couldn't make it out. I finally dropped back to the posted speed limit simply because I was afraid of driving that fast -- on a road I know like the back of my hand.

So far we have had two fatalities on the detour and heaven knows how many accidents. I am just waiting for someone to end up in the water! I was so grateful for the recent police intervention, when they stopped cars and trucks in Gesgapegiag and asked them to slow down and respect the eastwest division of traffic. But it has had little impact as far as I can see. I guess the specter of death or injury is still not enough to slow people down.

What's all the hurry about, I'd like to know? Is it really worth your life or health to avoid being a few minutes late? Please, I am begging you, slow down and respect other drivers and pedestrians, if there are any such brave souls. It won't cost you as much as speeding may.



A gift of friendship around Easter is a priceless gift which cannot be bought or sold. Easter is a sign of springtime with chirping birds in the early mornings and the spring thaw under our feet. As we welcome joy and respite from the long harsh gloomy winter weather, we Gaspeisans look forward to Easter as a perfect time to renewal with family and friends far and near. Easter is more than chocolate bunnies. It's a time of reflection and joy when we emerge from our cocoon of doubts to celebrate the resurrection of Christ today and forever. Easter can bring warm heartfelt greetings filled with gladness and joy. We can continue to rejoice in memories of good tidings which can touch many hearts throughout our great Chaleur Bay area. Keep in mind that between you, I and that Easter bunny, let the spirit of Easter bring hope and contentment in the little things we do and continue to restore faith within ourselves.

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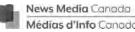
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SNOW CRAB: Suspension of sustainable fishery certification

Geneviève Gélinas

GASPÉ: - Snow crab caught this spring in the southern Gulf of St. Lawrence won't feature the Marine Stewardship Council's (MSC) blue label. The organization suspended its sustainable fishery certification because of the right whale mortality in 2017.

The crab fishery no longer meets the requirements regarding endangered species, explains the MSC. The fishery has 90 days to file a corrective action plan. Then the MSC may either lift the suspension or cancel the certification.

Twelve North Atlantic right whales, an endangered species, were found dead in Canadian waters in 2017. Necropsies performed on some of those animals confirmed that the cause of two deaths was entanglement in snow crab fishing gear. Four entanglements of live whales in this kind of gear were also observed last year.

Vice-president of the E. Gagnon et Fils processing plant in Sainte-Thérèse-de-Gaspé, Bill Sheehan, isn't too concerned about the suspension. "In the short term, it will make little difference. Our crab is mostly exported to Japan and the United States. The MSC certification gives a good image, I'm not saying that it's not important. But we don't have many customers who ask for it."

The MSC certification is mainly required by customers in Europe, a marginal destination for the crab transformed in Quebec.

Mr. Sheehan predicts that





The Marine Stewardship is suspending its blue label certification because the crab fishery no long meets its requirements.

the markets will buy crab anyway. "There will be almost half the crab to sell this year. There will be a shortage on the markets."

In 2017, the southern gulf crab fishermen could catch twice as much crab as in 2016. This year quotas should return to a level which is more the norm, much like 2016. If the price remains high, the expected quota of 25,286 metric tons will lead to \$280 million in spinoffs in four provinces, including the Gaspé Coast and Magdalen Islands in Quebec.

The industry is more afraid of an eventual suspension of fishing in large sectors if a right whale dies or is observed, a scenario evoked by Fisheries and Oceans management last month.

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"The plants need crab. The worst consequence would be if fishing is stopped in some sectors," says Jean-Paul Gagné, director general of the Association québécoise des industriels de la pêche.

Crab fishermen and processing plant owners are asking Ottawa to open the fishery as soon as April 10 in the Gulf, in order to catch a maximum amount of crab before the arrival of right whales. Crab fishing in the southern gulf sometimes starts as late as May.



Top five languages spoken in Canada

(NC) With our country being one of the most multicultural in the world, many of us speak more than one language. Being bilingual has many benefits, including better decision-making, improved memory and protection against illnesses like dementia. Check out the top five languages spoken in Canada, and if you already aren't bilingual, consider learning a second language as it's never too late to start. Why not one of the two official languages?

1. English. As you may have guessed, English is the most commonly spoken language at home in our country. In fact, a whopping 98 per cent of Canadians say they have the ability to conduct a conversation in English, French or both.

2. French. Our other official language, French, is the secondmost commonly spoken language in Canada. But it's not just those in Quebec — there are many communities outside la belle province with large French-speaking populations. That's why the federal government ensures it provides services in both official languages at many points of service.

3. Mandarin. While a fifth of us speak a mother tongue other than English or French, only 6.2 per cent of Canadians speak a language other than English or French as their sole home language. Mandarin is most commonly spoken in the major metropolitan areas.

4. Cantonese. Also popular in large cities, Cantonese is another Chinese language that is commonly spoken in Canada.

5. Punjabi. The fifth-most common language spoken at home across the country is the most frequently reported immigrant language in Vancouver, Calgary and Edmonton. Overall, the number of Canadians who speak more than one language is growing.

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Life after a cerebrovascular accident

Thierry Haroun

PABOS: - The definition of a CVA (commonly known as a stroke) by the American Association of Neurological Surgeons is: "The term cerebrovascular disease includes all disorders in which an area of the brain is temporarily or permanently affected by ischemia or bleeding and one or more of the cerebral blood vessels are involved in the pathological process. Cerebrovascular disease includes stroke, carotid stenosis, vertebral stenosis and intracranial stenosis, aneurysms, and vascular malformations.

Restrictions in blood flow may occur from vessel narrowing (stenosis), clot formation (thrombosis), blockage (embolism) or blood vessel rupture (hemorrhage). Lack of sufficient blood flow (ischemia) affects brain tissue and may cause a stroke."

There are many consequences on one's health and daily life after a cerebrovascular accident (stroke). What are the consequences for family and friends? How to prevent it? Spec spoke with a victim, her care taker, an association representative and a doctor to answer some of these questions.

Spec met with Francine Leblanc at her home in Pabos. She was the victim of a CVA in 2011 while she was being operated on for a brain tumor in a Montreal Hospital at the age of 57. Since then, it has been a daily struggle to get back to a normal life. It takes a lot of courage and lots of help from friends and family, she told us as we spoke in her kitchen in the company of her father, Lionel, her sister, Claudette, and Martine Tremblay, coordinator for the Gaspésie and Magdalen Islands branch of the CVA Association.



Francine Leblanc.

carry on with my daily life." For her, the direct consequences of the stroke was that the right part of her body was paralyzed and she became deaf in the right ear. Now, she can walk again with the help of a walker in the summer but in the winter she cannot get around because it's too dangerous. "I'm here, for her 365 days per year. I'm her caretaker and I must make sure that everything she does is safe," explains her father, Lionel, aged 88. Her sister, Claudette had this to say: "I help her out doing the grocery shopping. She comes to my home on weekends. I feel that it's important for her that her sister is around."

Martine Tremblay pointed out that the CVA Association is there to help patients in many ways. "It could be for defending their rights, organizing appointments or simply helping them go to the grocery store. We not only help the patients but also their caretakers because they also need some advice or even a break."

Doctor's orders

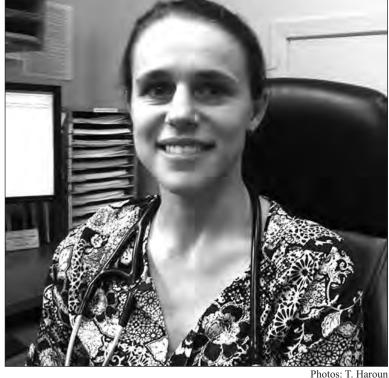
For the medical aspect, we met Dr. Andréanne Lefevbre at Le Havre Medical Clinic in Gaspé. "A CVA accident can

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Dr. Andreanne Lefebvre.

occur at any age but particularly with seniors. It can have very serious consequences as you may know. We can prevent it, in a way, by exercising on a daily basis, eating fruits and vegetables, avoiding sugar and not smoking would all be good habits to have. There are also first signs that one may observe in someone who's a victim of a CVA, such as part of the face that doesn't move anymore, having trouble to talk or pronounce words and the incapacity to lift the arms. If one of these three things happen, call an ambulance immediately," she states.



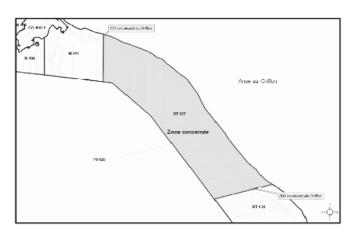
PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the municipal Council of "Ville de Gaspé", at its regular meeting held on March 19, 2018, has adopted by resolution the following draft of by-law and that a public consultation meeting will be held at the Town Hall, on Monday, April 16, 2018, at 4:00 p.m.

Draft of by-law 1156-11-29:

The draft of by-law amends the zoning by-law 1156-11, as follows:

 « modifiant l'article 5.3 – USAGES PROHIBÉS DE CERTAINES CONSTRUCTIONS »



Francine Leblanc, is doing well since her CVA. "Oh yes, I feel better. At first, I refused to accept my situation, but now I accept it. One needs a lot of courage and help. Thank God members of my family are there to help me

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Only persons whose candidature has been retained will be contacted.

The concerned zone is situated at l'Anse-au-Griffon During this meeting, the Mayor or another Council member designated by him, will explain the draft of by-law and the consequences of their adoption, and will hear the persons and bodies wishing to express their views.

The draft of by-law is available for consultation at the Town Hall office.

Given in Gaspé, March 28, 2018.

Isabelle Vézina Director of legal services and town clerk

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Three essential life skills to learn in 2018

NC) The first few months in a new year are all about self-reflection and self-improvement. So why not pick up some great skills and learn new things that will help you in your home, at work and in your everyday life?

1. Learn a second language. There are plenty of benefits that come with knowing another language — and research proves it. Different studies show that being bilingual can make you a better decisionmaker, be more perceptive, think differently and even post-



pone the onset of dementia. It's also never too late to start, with classes offered online or in local community centres. Since we're in Canada, consider learning or brushing up on your French so you can be understood in both official lan-

guages whether you're asking for a beverage or working with a client.

2. Stay up-to-date on tech. Even as technology changes quickly and new apps and programs revolutionize our world, a keen interest in keeping on

top of what's trending and a passion for learning will help you make the most of what our digital world has to offer. Not only will you be able to program your Google Home or Alexa, you can add valuable skills like coding and photo editing to your resume. You can even stay connected with government and make life easier using their online services in both official languages, like direct deposit for your benefits cheques and tax returns.

3. Make your voice heard. The year 2017 saw some great

strides being made in social change, with it becoming popular and even fashionable to champion causes that are important to you, like gender equality, for example. One way you can share your input and help shape how our country is governed is by participating in public consultations. And, because our official languages belong to everyone, the Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages is inviting everyone to share their ideas. Find more information online at officiallanguages.gc.ca.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

Fisheries and Oceans Canada wishes to remind that it is forbidden to harvest shellfish in closed areas

- Consumption of contaminated shellfish can cause serious illness that could result in paralysis or even death.
- Shellfish harvesting is strictly prohibited in closed areas and within 125 metres of a wharf, due to the risk of contamination.
- The minimum legal size for soft-shell clams is 51 mm.
- · Harvesters should measure the size of their softshell clams in order to abide by these size limits and support the conservation of these species.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada carefully monitors closed harvesting areas and shellfish harvesting activities.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada encourages the public to report poaching incidents by calling 1-800-463-9057, or by going online www.qc.dfo-mpo.gc.ca. Reports are anonymous and confidential.

AVIS D'INTÉRÊT PUBLIC

Pêches et Océans Canada rappelle qu'il est interdit de cueillir des mollusques dans des zones fermées

- La consommation de mollusques contaminés peut causer de sérieux problèmes de santé pouvant entraîner la paralysie ou même la mort.
- Il est strictement interdit de cueillir des mollusques • dans les zones fermées et à moins de 125 mètres d'un quai, afin d'éviter des risques de contamination.
- La taille minimale légale pour la mye est de 51 mm.
- Les cueilleurs doivent vérifier la taille de leurs myes • afin de respecter ces limites de taille et ainsi contribuer à la conservation de ces espèces.

Pêches et Océans Canada surveille de très près la cueillette de mollusques et les zones fermées.

Pêches et Océans Canada demande à la population de dénoncer tout acte de braconnage au 1-800-463-9057 ou en ligne www.qc.dfo-mpo.gc.ca. Les signalements sont anonymes et confidentiels.

For the latest information on closed and open harvesting areas, please contact your local Fisheries and Oceans Canada Office.

Pour connaître les zones ouvertes ou fermées. contactez votre bureau local de Pêches et Océans Canada.



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Crack the



It's Easter time! Eggs, chocolate bunnies, Peeps, jelly beans and ham or lamb for supper. However, we need to be mindful of the origin and significance of this important day for Christians. It is a time of rebirth and new life and renewal of faith. Try to answer the following 20 questions to show your Easter spirit!

- 1. Easter is the most important time in the Christian calendar. Why?
- 2. Why does the date of Easter vary?
- 3. Easter is celebrated at the end of 40 days referred to as what?
- 4. Holy Week starts with a special Sunday. What is it?
- 5. Good Friday signifies what?
- Easter Sunday celebrates what?
- 7. In the past, during Lent, eating meat and other animal products was forbidden. This led to a surplus of what food at Easter?
- 8. The idea of the Easter Bunny originated in what country?
- 9. Original Easter baskets were made to look like what?
- 10. Easter is the second largest candy consuming holiday. What is the first?
- 11. The most popular non-chocolate Easter candy is what?
- 12. What are Peeps, that are sold at Easter?
- 13. What are the 3 main ingredients in jelly beans?
- 14. What is the most popular colour of jelly bean.
- 15. Most people eat what part of their chocolate Easter bunny first?
- 16. What are the most popular chocolate eggs?
- 17. Why do we exchange eggs at Easter time. What do they represent?
- 18. These spiced buns are traditionally made with currants and spices, such as nutmeg and cinnamon. They have a cross on the top, a symbol of Christ. What are they called?
- 19. Is Easter a statutory holiday in Quebec?
- 20. Look at the word Easter. Rearrange the letters, use all the letters and make another word There is more than 1! But a correct answer requires you to find just 1!

Create and hide unbreakable eggs

important days of the year for Christians. Easter Sunday is filled with symbolism and tradition, some of which harken back to early Christianity, while others trace their origins to paganism.

The Easter Bunny and Easter eggs are two Easter traditions with less extensive histories. The Easter Bunny, according to sources including History.com, first arrived in America in the 1700s via settlers German who brought with them their tradition of an egg-laying hare called "Osterhase." Children would make nests where the rabbit could lay its colored eggs. Eventually, the custom spread from Pennsylvania, where many German immigrants settled, to other areas around the country.

Easter is one of the most Even though these traditions have endured, Easter eggs themselves might not be so strong. This year, Easter celebrants may want to experiment with different materials that are more forgiving and more enduring than standard eggs.

Wooden eggs

Families may find that wooden eggs are much more forgiving than standard eggs. Wooden eggs don't have to be boiled, and they don't need time to harden, and they're quite maneuverable for young fingers.

Decorators can explore different ways to color wooden eggs. Acrylic paints are readily available and safe for users of any age. Wood stains or wood markers also can be used to give the eggs a natural finish. Others may want to rip small pieces of decorative paper to create a decoupage effect on their wooden eggs.

bons, buttons, trims, and other decorative touches can personalize the eggs and add a touch of whimsy. Check out www.sew4home.com for their ideas on handmade Easter eggs.

Modeling clay

Children who love to get their hands dirty may enjoy

making Easter eggs out of fully cure. modeling materials. Colors can be blended together to create a marbleized effect. Depending on the clay medium, the eggs may air-harden or may need to be heated at a low temperature in the oven to

PPO CEASTER

Easter eggs are a fun tradition that adds to the festivity of spring. While traditional eggs can be used, many different, more long-lasting materials can be used as well.



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Eggs are symbolic of new life and rebirth in many cultures. To Christians, eggs represent the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Another theory suggests that Christians were once forbidden to eat during the Lenten season preceding Easter. Therefore, Christians would paint and decorate eggs for Easter to mark the joyous celebration and cessation of penance and fasting.

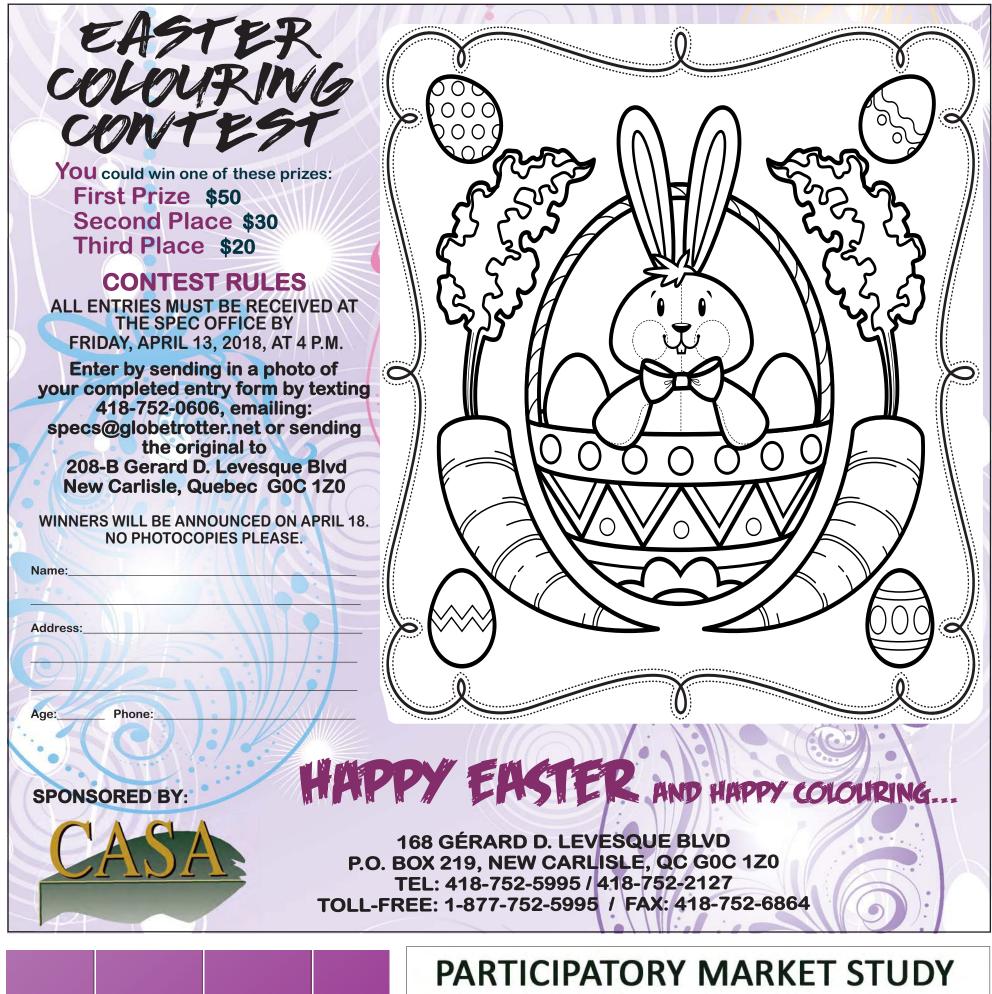
Sew soft eggs

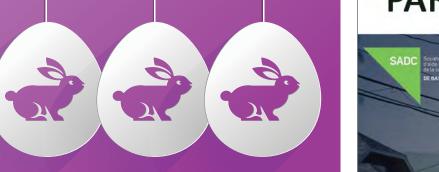
Those who are handy with a needle and thread can explore patterns for making soft, stuffed eggs. Cozy fleece or other fabrics can be sewn together to make the general egg shape. Then the egg is filled with polyester filling, feathers or another soft material. Rib-



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Diane Skinner Flowers



English is a language with many peculiarities. I cannot state with any authority if it has more than other languages. But, I can state for certain that Latin is much easier to master than English. Latin is so tidy, and follows all the rules! There are no exceptions in Latin. I can still recall 'crede quod habes, et habes.' Believe that you have it, and you do. Or how about 'veni vidi vici'? I came, I saw, I conquered. This last one was stated by the victorious Julius Caesar in 47 B.C. 'Quis est pater vobis?' can be roughly translated as "Who's your daddy?" But English is something else.

Oxymorons demonstrate the strangeness of the English language. An oxymoron is a figure of speech that puts together two contradictory terms. Two words that are opposite in meaning when examined individually, but when put together they mean something new and different. Even the word "oxymoron" is ... an oxymoron. The word it comes from is the ancient Greek words for "sharp" (oxy) and "dull" (moros).

So here are some oxymorons. Read each word separately. Then read them together and aha! You will have experienced the oxymoron.

Alone together Bittersweet Clearly confused Constant change Cowardly lion Criminal justice Death benefits Definite maybe Even odds Exact estimate Extensive briefing Extinct life Forgotten memories Front end Fuzzy logic Hell's Angels Highly underestimated Homeless shelter Intense apathy Light heavyweight Liquid gas

Little giant Live recording Loose tights Mild enthusiasm Natural additives Non-working mother Normal deviation Nothing much Old news Original copy Paid volunteer Peace force Plastic wood Random order Resident alien Same difference Stand down Still moving Sweet sorrow Tight slacks War games

So now that you are familiar with oxymorons, read the following paragraph and pick out all the oxymorons. The oxymorons in this paragraph are NOT in the list above. There are 23. There is nothing much to finding them. Heh! There was one in that last sentence! The answers are below.

The town was strangely familiar. He drove a short distance but concluded that the architecture was pretty ugly. In his unbiased opinion it was almost exactly an authentic



viously enjoyed vehicle can be an overwhelming task. Among the many considerations, one of the most important will be how to actually pay for your new purchase.

"When evaluating payment options, consider the cost of borrowing based on interest rates and amortization period," says Michael Bettencourt, managing editor at Auto-"Your trader.ca. decision should also be based on factors like typical mileage, how long you plan on keeping the vehicle, and retained value ratings, so it's important to do your research and pick the option that is best suited for your needs."

Financing

Pros: Monthly payments can be flexible, influenced by interest rates, payment terms and the length of time chosen to pay off the cost of the vehicle. The cost of the vehicle is



spread over a period of time and at the end, the vehicle is owned outright.

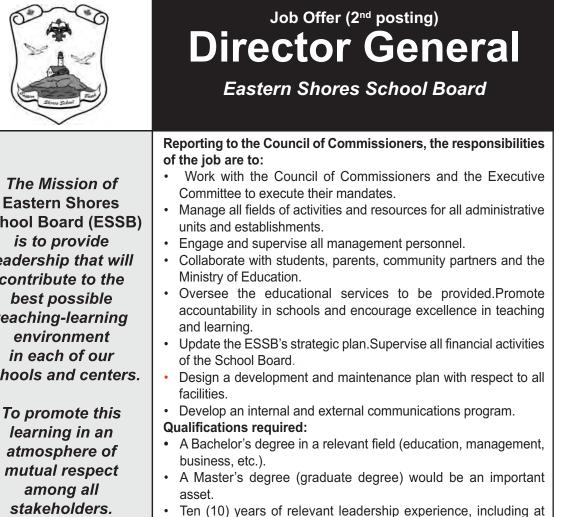
Cons: The fact that the vehicle will be paid off in full by the end of the borrowing term means that financing payments may be higher than leasing rates. It is possible that a vehicle could depreciate faster than it is paid off, meaning the value could be less than is owed.

Leasing

Pros: Leasing can be an attractive solution due to the accessible payments and vehicle warranty, which allow for predictable monthly budgeting. Leasing is appealing for people who like to trade in for a new vehicle every few years, enjoying the latest designs and technology updates.

Cons: Leasing is essentially a long-term rental unless you choose to buy out the vehicle at the end of the lease. You are therefore responsible for excessive mileage and any damage that may occur.

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Leasing or financing: Which one's right for you?

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replica of Plainville. It was simply confusing but it wa sure bet that it had real potential. The town had a delib ate thoughtlessness in its classically modern design. "Go grief," he thought, 'this town is like a genuine imitation s life." He found the silence deafening so he turned the rad to a soft rock station and on came an instant classic. H only choice was to seek some serious fun. 'Mmmm, son jumbo shrimp and non-alcoholic beer would cost nothi much.' Yep, that was his only choice.

The oxymorons in the paragraph are: strangely familiar / short distance / pretty ugly / unbias opinion / almost exactly / authentic replica / simply co fusing / sure bet / real potential / deliberate thoughtles ness / classically modern / good grief / genuine imitation / still life / silence deafening / soft rock / instant classic only choice / serious fun / jumbo shrimp / non-alcoho beer / nothing much / only choice

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MRC a decrease of 21 inhabitants and the Haute-Gaspésie, 18.

Montrealers moved to the Gaspé

The Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine usually lose inhabitants to Quebec City. However, between 2016 and 2017, this deficit has disappeared and the greatest gains for the Coast come from Montreal.

"The balance is positive for all age groups from 25 to 64 years old and for the 15-24 -year-olds, who leave the region to study, the balance is also improving," says Mr. O'Connor.

Even if LM Wind Power is finished its intensive phase of hiring, "there are still 1,000 jobs available on the online placement site (Emploi-Québec's job listings)," Mr. O'Connor points out. "Our main barrier on recruiting newcomers is the perception, outside the region, that there are no jobs on the Gaspé. We have jobs as everywhere else and we have the quality of life, and not just a little bit!" Mr. O'Connor adds.

As the Gaspé has been gaining population, the Lower St. Lawrence has a decrease of 168 people, a small drop of 0.09%. The Montréal population went down by 1.09%, that is to say 19,869 people, who mainly moved to adjacent areas.

The Quebec Statistics Institute didn't present data on the language of newcomers and of the people who left the region. So it wasn't possible to determine if the anglophone community benefitted from this upturn in demography.

According to the last census data, the Gaspésie-les Îles anglophone population decreased by 7.2% between 2011 and 2016. The French part of the population also decreased during that period, but at a slower rate.



PUBLIC NOTICE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS WHO ARE ENTITLED TO SIGN AN APPLICATION TO TAKE PART TO A REFERENDUM

Second draft 1156-11-28 (adopted on March 19, 2018) amending the zoning by-law

NOTICE is hereby given that, following the public consultation meeting which was held on March 19, 2018, the municipal Council of "Ville de Gaspé" has accepted by resolution, on March 19, 2018 a second draft of by-law 1156-11-28 amending the zoning by-law. This second draft contains provisions that may be subject to an application made by interested persons from anyone of the zones to which such provisions apply and of the contiguous zones, to require that a by-law containing these be submitted for their approval, in accordance with the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities.

1. PURPOSE OF AN APPLICATION TO TAKE PART IN A REFERENDUM

1.1 An application relating to the following provision of the second draft:

 1.1.1 Modifiant les usages autorisés dans la zone AF-185 afin d'y permettre l'usage Foresterie (A-3);

May originate from AF-185 zone and any contiguous zone to it.

Such an application is required that the by-law containing the provision to which it applies be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters in the zone to which applies this application, and in any contiguous zone from which a valid application originates. However any contiguous zone who has made an application will participate at the referendum approval only if the application also originates of the zone to which it is contiguous.

1.1.2 Créant la zone AF-163-1, à même une partie de la zone AF-163, dans le but d'inclure les lots 4 054 447, 4 054 448 partie, 4 054 450 partie, 4 054 451 partie, 4 054 481 partie, 4 054 482 partie, 4 054 483 partie, 4 054 544, 4 055 753, 4 055 754 partie, 4 055 831 partie, 4 055 832 partie, 4 055 833 partie, 4 055 834 partie et 4 817 670 partie, cadastre du Québec;

And

Ajoutant la grille de spécifications pour la zone AF-163-1;

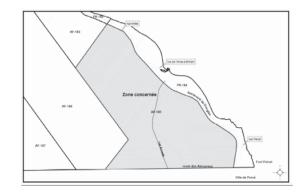
May originate from AF-163 zone and any contiguous zone to it.

Such an application is required that the by-law containing the provision to which it applies be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters in the zone to which applies this application, and in any contiguous zone from which a valid application originates. However any contiguous zone who has made an application will participate at the referendum approval only if the application also originates of the zone to which it is contiguous.

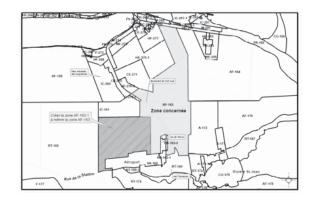
1.1.3 Ajoutant l'article 17.2.3 DISPOSITION APPLICABLE À LA ZONE AF-170;

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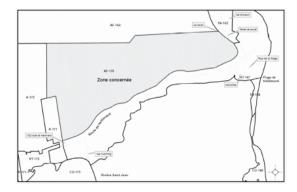
South of properties between 1654 and 2058, Douglas boulevard :



AF-163-1, situated in the airport area :



AF-170, located North of Haldimand Road and RT-167 zone and North of the properties between 826 and 1302, Haldimand road :



3. VALIDITY OF AN APPLICATION

To be valid, an application to take part to a referendum must:

state clearly the provision of the second draft to which the application refers;

- indicate the zone from which the application originates;
- be signed by at least 12 interested persons of the zone from which it originates, if there are more than 21 interested persons in that zone, or, otherwise, by the majority of the interested persons;
- be received by the Town clerk office at the town hall no later than April 5, 2018, 4:30 pm.
- 4. INTERESTED PERSONS WHO ARE ENTITLED TO SIGN AN APPLICATION

An interested person is a person of full age, Canadian citizen and not under curatorship who, on the date of adoption of the second draft, which is March 19, 2018, is not disqualified from voting and meets one of the following requirements:

 is domiciled in a zone from which an application may originate and who has been domiciled in Québec for at least 6 months;

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May originate from AF-170 zone and any contiguous zone to it.

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2. LOCALIZATION OF THE CONCERNED ZONES

The concerned zones are illustrated on the following sketches :

AF-185, located South of Douglas boulevard and PA-184 zone and

• is the owner of an immovable or the occupant of a business place situated on such a zone since 12 months at least.

5. LACK OF APPLICATIONS

Should there be no valid applications relating to the provisions of the second draft, the said provisions may be then included in a by-law which will not have to be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters.

6. CONSULTATION OF THE DRAFT

The second draft of by-law is available for consultation at the Clerk's office at the Town Hall during regular work hours, that is from 8:15 a.m. till 12 noon and from 1 till 4:30 p.m., Monday till Thursday, and from 8:15 am till 12 noon on Friday.

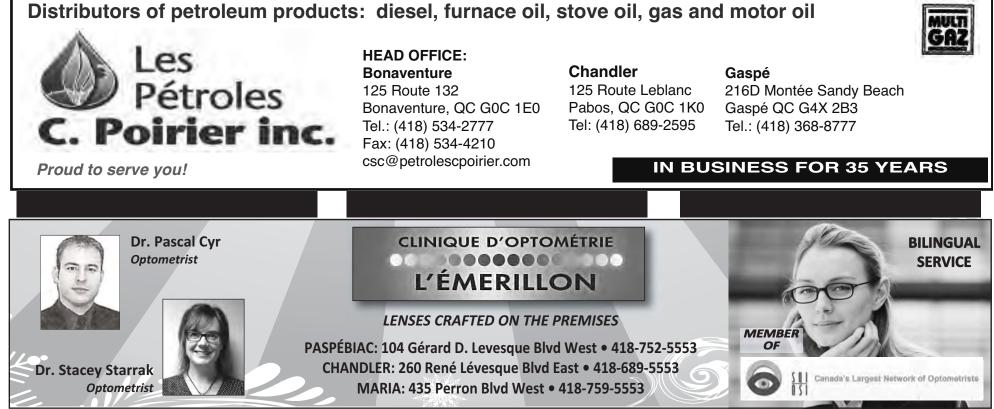
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In Memory

BOUDREAU: Jean

In loving memory of a dear wife, mother and grandmother who passed away March 22, 2005. God saw you were getting tired And a cure was not to be, So He put His arms around you And whispered "come to me." With tearful eyes we watched you, And saw you pass away. Although we loved you dearly, We could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, Hard working hands at rest. God broke our hearts To prove to us, *He only takes the best.* We love and miss you so much. Your loving hus-

band Fred, Sean, Dwayne, (Wanda), Freddy, (Tammy), and Dean (Veronique).

DAWSON: Emma

In loving memory of Emma Dawson who passed away one year ago on April 3, 2017. A wonderful mother, woman and aid. One who was better, God never made; A wonderful worker, so loyal and true, One in a million, that mother was you. Just in your judgement, always right; Honest and liberal, ever upright; Loved by your friends and all whom you knew, *My wonderful mother, that mother was you.*

Loved beyond words, missed beyond measure. Barbara Ann and family.



WATT: Jessie (Munro)

In fond and loving memory of a wonderful lady who passed away March 27, 2017. One year has passed since that sad day, When the one we loved was called away. God took her home, it was His will, But in our hearts she liveth still. A wonderful mother, nanny and aunt, Another day with you we wish God would grant. A wonderful worker, so loyal and true, One in a million, that person was you. Loved by your friends for all that you did, So pleased to know you were what everyone said. In our hearts your memory lingers, Sweetly, tender, fond and true, There is not a day that we do not think of you.

Sadly missed and always remembered by your loving children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, sister, sisters-in-law, nieces; nephews and their families.

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POINTE-NAVARRE: Upcoming Events

Tuesday, April 3: The mass of St. Peregrine, patron saint of the sick suffering from cancer and longterm diseases, will be celebrated at 7 p.m. at the Shrine of Pointe-Navarre.

Monday, April 9: Evening Taizé: Prayers in peace, songs and music in the spirit of Taizé. You are invited to the sanctuary at 7-8 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Tuesday, April 17: Thanksgiving Mass. During the year 2018, we will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the death of Father Watier. We will give thanks to the Lord by recalling a feature of the life of Father Watier and his mission among us. Welcome!

GASPE:

Rummage and Bake Sale

The Parish of Gaspe will be holding a rummage and bake sale in the basement of St Paul's Church on **April 7** beginning at 9 a.m. All proceeds from the sale will be donated to the Ecumenical Chaplaincy Fund. This fund provides chaplaincy support to residents of the long-term residency and medical facilities in Gaspé. If you have items that you would like to donate to the rummage sale, they can be dropped off at St. Paul's church on Sunday mornings during service. To arrange drop-off at times other than Sunday morning, please contact Vera Patterson at 418-368-3624.

GASPE:

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting for Camp Fort Haldimand will be held on **Thursday, April 12** at 7 p.m in the basement of St Paul's Church. The committee is looking to have new members join and get involved with this great asset to our community. This committee is also responsible for the oversight of the summer day camp offered at Camp Fort Haldimand. Please come out share your ideas. 1062 Route 132 East, Barachois, is holding its Annual General Meeting on **Sunday, April 8,** at 1:30 p.m. There will be elections of all officers of the Board, as well as a discussion and approval of proposed changes to the by-laws. Everyone interested in the future of the Centre is urged to attend. For a copy of the proposed by-law wording changes please contact janet.c.harvey@gmail.com.

BARACHOIS: Amateur Night

Join us on **Saturday, March 31** at the Legion for an evening of entertainment provided by singers and musicians from Gaspé, Douglastown, St Georges, Belle Anse and Barachois. Begins at 7 p.m. Admission \$5. All welcome.

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. **Thursday Nights:** Darts will be held beginning at 7 p.m. New players welcome. No experience necessary.

PORT DANIEL:

Upcoming events to support St. James Anglican Church

April 27: Gift Bingo at the Three Star Golden Age Club in Port Daniel at 7:30. All proceeds will go to St. James Anglican Church Port Daniel. Single card \$10, series 3/\$20. Get your dabbers ready! Canteen service and 50/50 available as well. **June 30:** Canada Day Entertainment Evening

July: 28: Annual Bazaar

October 6: Harvest Supper

November 10: Casserole Supper and Auction

PORT DANIEL:

Strawberry Social The Marcil Women's Institute will be holding its annual strawberry social on **Friday, July 27,** from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at the Three Star Golden Age Club at 177, Route 132, Port Daniel West. Entrance \$7, children under 6 free; door prizes, bake table, sales table, 50/50, more information call 418-752-

free, bring the whole family. Great fun for all.

Monday April 2: Easter Gift Bingo, 7 p.m. Canteen service available. \$10 or 3 for \$20. Sunday, May 13: Mother's Day Brunch 9 a.m.-1 p.m., \$10, children 7-12 years \$5, 6 and under free Saturday, June 23: Fish Cake supper \$12 per person

SHIGAWAKE:

Tea, Bake and Craft Sale Advance Notice

A tea, bake and craft sale will be held at the Shigawake Community Centre (across from the Anglican Church) on **Thursday, July 19** from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Adults \$7, children 6 and under free. Door prizes, prizes, 50/50.

HOPE TOWN:

Service

Hope Baptist Church welcomes You! Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Corporate Worship at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting and Bible Study; Friday 7 p.m. Young Peoples for Grade 7-11, 305 Route 132 West, Hope Town 418-752-5838

HOPE TOWN:

Upcoming Activities The following activity will be held at the Hope Town Community Center.

Saturday, April 7: A crib tournament will be held at 1 p.m. \$10 per person. Please register your team by April 5. Call Audrey or Linda 418-752-2015.

Saturday, April 14: Military Whist beginning at 8 p.m. Come and join us for a night of fun.

NEW CARLISLE: Upcoming Activities

The following activities will be held by Heritage New Carlisle at the New Carlisle Town Hall. **Friday, April 13:** Spring Soup and Sweets from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

May 11: Soup and Sweets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please note There will be no card games until further notice.

NEW CARLISLE:

LIFE Association upcoming events

May 5: Mother's Day Tea from

NEW CARLISLE:

Legion Benefit Breakfast A benefit breakfast for the Royal

Canadian Legion will be held on **Sunday, April 15,** at the New Carlisle Optimist Chalet beginning at 9 a.m. Cost \$10 per breakfast. All are welcome.

NEW CARLISLE:

Annual General Meeting The AGM of the New Carlisle Funeral Association will be held on April 17, 2018 at 4 p.m. at the Town Hall

NEW RICHMOND: Ham and Scalloped Potato Supper

The United Church will be holding a ham and scalloped potato supper on **April 14** from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Adults \$10, Children under 12 \$6. Takeouts available starting at 4 p.m.

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES: Royal Canadian Legion Br. 172 Upcoming Events

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 172 meets monthly on a regular basis every third Saturday at the Legion, located at 55 Gallagher St.

Sunday, April 1: Easter Brunch from 8:30-11:30 a.m. at The Community Center. The cost will be \$10 per adult and \$7 for children under 12 yrs. old. Everyone is welcome to attend this event.

CASCAPEDIA ST-JULES: Jam Sessions

On **Friday, April 6** and **20** at the 50+ Club, 319, Route 299, there will be jam sessions open to all musicians and spectators. Doors open at 7 p.m. with entertainment beginning at 7:30 - free admission, donation accepted. Canteen service on site. Welcome to all.

NEW RICHMOND: Easter Celebration

Easter celebration, potluck, maple taffy ... **Sunday, April 1,** at the Full Gospel Church, 248 boul. Perron West, New Richmond. Info: 418 392-5161. Welcome to all.

NEW RICHMOND:

Friperie entraide de L.É.P.É. New spring and summer clothing 418 392-5161.

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES: 50+ Club Activities

Every Thursday: Dame de Pique at 1 p.m. \$5 per person. **Every Tuesday Night:** Grocery Bingo at 7 p.m. (2 cards for \$5, each additional card \$1).

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES: Book Room

Please note that the book room is now open **Wednesday** afternoon from 1 - 4 p.m. On other days, please contact Kathleen Paquet at 418-392-4896.

GESGAPEGIAG: N.A. Meetings

N.A. Meetings held every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Mawiomi Treatment Centre, located at 85 School Street in Gesgapegiag. Everyone welcome! For more information call 418-759-3522. N.A. is a nonprofit fellowship of men and women for whom drugs have become a major problem. We are recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. This is a program of complete abstinence from all drugs. There is only one requirement for membership, the desire to stop using.

UNITED CHURCH Easter Sunday, April 1 2 p.m. Hope Town Communion

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

Good Friday, March 30 New Carlisle 1 p.m. Service Shigawake 3 p.m. Service Saturday, March 31 Shigawake 7 p.m. Easter Vigil Sunday, April 1 New Carlisle 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist Hope Town 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist Shigawake 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist



YORK:

Advance Notice

Wakeham ACW will be holding its annual summer sale and tea on **Saturday, July 7** at York River Community Hall. We will have baked goods, a handicraft table, white elephant table, and mystery parcels. Afternoon tea will be served (\$5). Doors open at 2 p.m.

BARACHOIS:

Annual General Meeting

The Barachois Recreative Center at

olved 8152.

PORT DANIEL:

Upcoming Events

The following events will be held at the Three Star Golden Age Club in Port Daniel.

April 6: Gift Bingo, starts at 7:30 p.m.,\$10 a series, and three series for \$20. Canteen service. **May 12**: Mother's Day Tea.

SHIGAWAKE:

Upcoming Activities

The following events will be held at the Shigawake Community Center. **Friday, March 30:** 1st annual Easter Carnival Spring Fling 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Carnival games, face painting, burst the balloon, fishing booth, carnival photo booth, ring toss, etc. Canteen service. Entry is 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. At the New Carlisle Town Hall. \$5 per person. **June 16:** Bingo at 7 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion in New Carlisle. \$10 series or 3/\$20.

NEW CARLISLE: Gift Bingo

The dart club will be hosting a gift bingo for and at the Royal Canadian Legion on **Saturday, April 21** starting at 7 p.m. \$10 a series or three for \$20.

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." has arrived. On sale at \$1 each or more. Good hot meal at noon, free, donations accepted. We also give away hundreds of things every week. (contact for furniture to give or receive) Open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. At 248 Perron Blvd. New Richmond.

REMINDER Notices received after Thursday at 4 p.m. will not make the next paper and will be held for a future edition.

PARISH OF ALL SAINTS BY THE SEA Good Friday, March 30 11 a.m. Service and Sunday School Easter Sunday, April 1 11 a.m. Service and Sunday School

PARISH OF GASPÉ Good Friday, March 30 Gaspé 11 a.m. Service Saturday, March 31 York The Great Vigil of Easter 7 p.m. Holy Eucharist Easter Sunday, April 1 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist

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Why do we SAY...

By Gary Briand

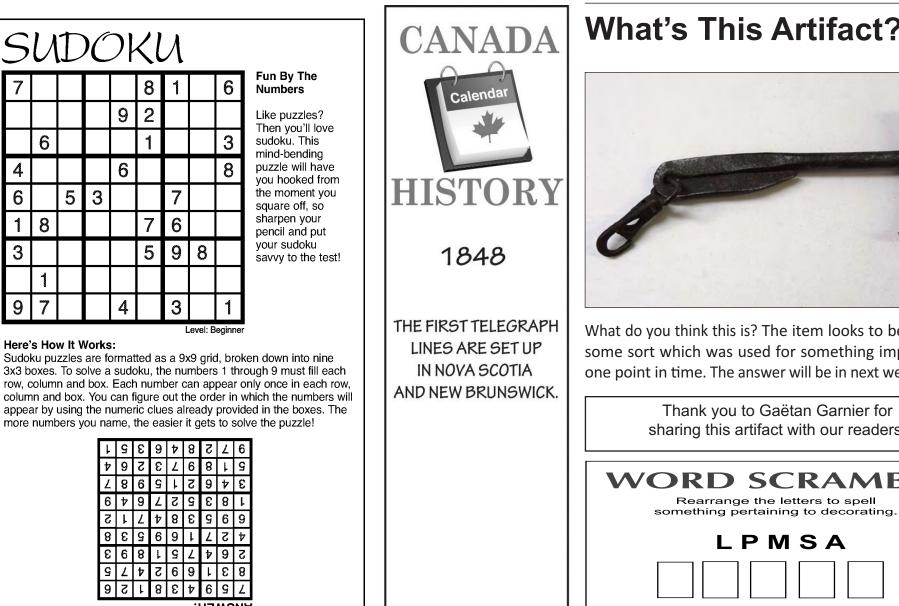
"He died hard" is a lamentation I've often heard from friends who had sat up with a person before his death. It denotes a monumental struggle to get out of life but it is clear that the modem expression has morphed from the older phrase "to die hard" with a shift in meaning from the latter.

The "die hard' expression became famous for the title of the Bruce Willis 1988 film "Die Hard". That phrase, however, was borrowed from an exhibition at the British National Army Museum in London. There an exhibit focused on the gallantry and bravery of the troops and, particularly, of their leader, Commander Sir William Inglis, in the Peninsula War of 1811. That was a sub-conflict to the Napoleonic Wars of the same period.

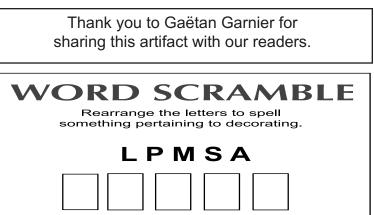
At a battle in Albuera in Spain the British troops fell under a sustained attack by a superior French force. Inglis was shot through the throat and badly wounded but he remained standing and firmly in command. He said to his aide, "die hard - my men, die hard!" The aide ordered that Inglis' last words be passed to all the men.

Only one of the 24 officers lived and merely 168 of 584 men survived the battle. Following the war, the 57th regiment and the various military groups that descended from it became widely known as the Die Hards and that designation is still current over two hundred years later.

How fertile are the grounds of expression!



What do you think this is? The item looks to be a tool of some sort which was used for something important at one point in time. The answer will be in next week's issue.





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ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20 Aries, take some time to assess a situation before you act on gut instinct. Your initial reaction may not be the best way to go. Ask a trusted friend for advice.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, when you get an idea in your head, it can take a monumental effort to persuade you to think otherwise. This week your ideas may need tweaking.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21

Stop planning for the immediate future and start thinking long-term, Gemini. This way you can relax as much as possible and enjoy the ride knowing all things are in order.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

It is very easy to become complacent, Cancer. Just when you thought your week would be routine, things get stirred up in ways you never would have imagined.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, if a career change has been on your mind, it may be better to dip a toe into the waters rather than jumping in all at once. Try an internship before making a commitment. VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, it's understandable that you want to prove yourself as capable as ever. But accepting a little help is not a sign of weakness. In fact, it is a sign of strength.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Family matters push to the forefront, Libra. This may require all of your attention for the time being. Clear your schedule so you can give this the attention it deserves.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, overcoming challenges as they are presented to you is one of the things that makes you so successful. But even the best task master needs some rest and relaxation. SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21 You may find yourself at the center of social occasions, Sagittarius. If you want to be the life of the party, then go ahead. If you want to remain

on the sidelines, that's fine as well. CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20 It's not worth getting into an argument to win a point with someone who doesn't have all of the facts, Capricorn. Rest your case and forge ahead with what you know is right.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18 A change of direction may not be the right fit for you at this moment in time, Aquarius. If you have been pondering a move, you may want to devote more time to vetting the idea.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Splurge on something that you have been considering buying for a while, Pisces. As long as you can afford it, you can splurge without any guilt.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS MARCH 25 Elton John, Singer (71) MARCH 26 Kenny Chesney, Singer (50) MARCH 27 Mariah Carey, Singer (48) MARCH 28 Lady Gaga, Singer (32) MARCH 29 Scott Wilson, Actor (76) MARCH 30 Norah Jones, Singer (39) MARCH 31 Christopher Walken, Actor (75)

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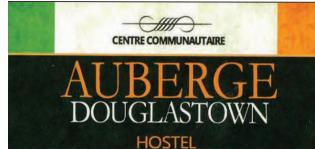
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