

Kids and youth: We also remember

Diane Skinner Adults have a responsibility to help children understand and remember the sacrifices the Canadian military has made. Whether you are a parent, grandparent or an educator this is your torch to pass on to the younger members of society. Inform them. Explain to them. Answer their questions. This should not scare them, but rather reassure them that the adults are watching out for them. The Canadian military protects us.

How can you inform the children and youth? In a variety of ways that help them to understand and appreciate but be mindful of the age of the child. They must feel comforted, not afraid. So, please ensure that activities are age-appropriate.

Activities:

Take the child to see a Remembrance Day ceremony.

Books! Books can be more than informative. They can shape values and understanding and even teach compassion. *In Flanders Fields*, Linda Granfield and Janet Wilson Based on John McCrae's famous poem, ages 8+; *A Poppy is to Remember*, Heather Patterson and Ron Lightburn, ages 6 – 8; *The Enemy*; Davide Cali and Serge Bloch, ages 8+; about two lonely soldiers facing each other in combat. They both learn that the enemy is a real person with a family and dreams. *Where Poppies Grow*, Linda Granfield Ages 9 – 12, a scrapbook style book about World War I. Read *Sadako and the 1000 Paper Cranes*, by Eleanor Coerr.

This is a children's historical novel set in Japan after World War II. The young girl in the book has leukemia from radiation from the dropping of the atomic bomb. She hears of a legend that if you fold 1,000 paper cranes you will be granted a wish. The origami cranes are a great activity for a class or group of children. They are a symbol of hope.

Enter the annual Legion writing and poster contest. This is open to students from Grades 1 – 11. Contact your local Legion for details.

<u>Crafts:</u>

Have children cut out their handprints on green paper and glue all of them into a wreath of overlapping hands. Cut out red construction paper poppies, glue on a black dot. This is a "peace wreath." Students cut two wide pieces of black construction paper and glue into a cross. Cut out a red construction paper poppy, glue on black dot. Glue onto the cross where the two pieces meet. Create a collage on a bulletin board. Put this poem on chart paper:

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Little Poppy Given to me Help me keep Canada Safe and free I'll wear a little poppy As red as can be To show that I remember Those who fought for me.

Recite it together. Have students make a poppy from construction paper. Glue their poppy onto the paper.

Have student dip one finger (thumb) in red craft paint. Have them fingerprint a poppy by dabbing in a small circle on white paper. Then using a paintbrush dab a black circle on each.

To sum up and leave children with a positive message:

Recipe for Peace 1 cup of love 1 cup of friendship 1 cup of understanding 1 cup of caring Mix together. Bake and celebrate peace!

This Was My Brother at Dieppe

Diane Skinner

After nearly three years of training and waiting, 5,000 Canadian troops joined their British colleagues and were sent to Dieppe. This area was near the French coast and the year was 1942. However, the Germans were ready, and the operation was tragic for so many. About 3,000 were killed or taken prisoner. Almost 1,000 more died later from injuries they suffered at Dieppe. It was a heartbreaking day in Canadian military history. Mona Gould wrote this poem about her own brother in 1943. It is a touching and sorrowful poem that the reader cannot forget. It is about a real person who died too young. Mona Gould wrote this poem from a place of grief. The famous poet Robert Frost said this about a poet's hope. That a poem or two will stay lodged in people's memories. This is one of those poems.

This Was My Brother

This was my brother At Dieppe Quietly a hero Who gave his life Like a gift, Withholding nothing. His youth...his love... His enjoyment of being alive... His future, like a book With half the pages still uncut This was my brother At Dieppe-The one who built me a doll house When I was seven, Complete to the last small picture frame, Nothing forgotten. He was awfully good at fixing things, At stepping into the breach when he was needed. That's what he did at Dieppe; He was needed. And even Death must have been a little shamed At his eagerness.

Remembrance Day: Ways to remember

Diane Skinner

On the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour we observe Remembrance Day. We stop to remember the brave men and women who have served their country. That date was selected because it marks the official ending of World War I. We can honour these brave and generous souls in a variety of ways.

Buy and wear a poppy. You

ceremonies take off their poppy and pin it to a wreath. This very visible symbol shows others that you remember and support our Canadian veterans and troops.

Read about Canadian Military history. Learning and speaking about the history of our military ensures that the memory of these brave and generous souls is never forgotten. My father was in the Black Watch Regiment in World War II and it makes me burst with pride to learn about these soldiers. Young and strong, standing tall in their dress kilts, they made for a dashingly handsome group. Imagine them as young men and women so far from their Gaspesian homes.

Two minutes. Just two minutes is all it takes to mark the brave and noble men and women who served before and those who serve today. Many are sent far from home, away from their families and may be in dangerous, even life-threatening situations. It could be a family member or a neighbour or someone in your larger community. If the veteran is still living, thank them in person. Shake their hand. Be brief but mean the words you say.

Take the time to write to members of the Armed Forces and thank them for their service to our country. Veterans Affairs Canada website has a treasure trove of information about our military. Go to Postcards for Peace. "Postcards for Peace provides an opportunity to send postcards to express messages of thanks to those who served Canada in times of war, military conflict and peace or to those still serving as Canadian Armed Forces members. This learning activity allows youth to actively remember the sacrifices and achievements of Canadian Veterans.."

Use the internet and explore the wealth of resources available about the Canadian military. Look up Canadian War Mu-

can buy a poppy for about two weeks before Remembrance Day in stores, restaurants and from members of the local Legion who will be selling poppies in public places. Wear your poppy proudly and take it off after the 11th hour on the 11th day. Most people attending Re-

membrance Day

So, pause for two minutes, whether at a ceremony, at home or in a store. Be proud when you stop to honour your fellow Canadians.

Learn about a local veteran, whether still with us or not.

seum and view their online Remembrance Day exhibition.

It's important not to forget the sacrifice our Armed Forces have made and continue to make for us. There are many ways we can honour these men and women. Most importantly, remember, always remember.

Remembrance Day 2018 - the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I

Successful broods on Bonaventure Island

Geneviève Gélinas

PERCÉ: – After several difficult years, the northern gannets breeding on Bonaventure Island was a success over the summer. Almost two thirds of the laid eggs (64%) produced ready to fly birds, whereas in 2012, the success rate was only 8%. The gannets benefitted from plenty of capelin and mackerel, available close to the island.

"Capelin rolled in on many beaches and for a long time. The gannets didn't need to travel. There was plenty of food close to the colony. It gave the chicks a good start," reports Jean-François Rail, biologist at the Canadian Wildlife Service.

In July, the capelin swim deeper and become unaccessible to gannets. Then mackerel and herring take over as their main food source. Those species showed signs of weakness in the last years.

But good news, in 2018, "there was a lot of small mackerel, 15 centimeters and less, in the gannets' food," Mr. Rail says. The biologist and his team collect the stomach contents regurgitated by gannets and analyze it.

The scientists also equip some gannets with a GPS to study their movements. Last summer, "they stayed in the Chaleur Bay, sometimes up to the Miramichi Bay," Mr. Rail reports. That's a common route for gannets who are used to flying 300 kilometers to feed.

The 2018 trip length is nothing compared with the trips of 2012, when the gannets had to fly an average of 600 kilometers, and sometimes 1,000 to 1,500 kilometers, to feed themselves and bring back food to their chicks.

In 2012, less than one chick in ten eggs (8%) was still alive four to five months after the egg-laying, when it was time for them to fly away from Bonaventure Island cliffs.

The breeding success remained low from 2013 to 2017, with values betweeen 36% and 50%. For the colony numbers to remain stable, about 67% of the nests must produce a ready to fly chick. From 1976 to 2009, as the colony was growing, those success rates were between 72% and 77%.

The Bonaventure Island colony, the biggest in North America, reached a peak of 60,000 pairs in 2009. Since then, it has not been consistant. The most recent count,



Photo: G. Gélinas

The Bonaventure Island northern gannet colony is the biggest in North America.

in 2017, determined that there were 48,260 pairs of gannets. The colony is on the territory of the L'Île-Bonaventure-etdu-Rocher-Percé park, managed by SEPAQ.

PHOTOGRAPHIC BOOK: The Gaspé Coast in all types of weather

Geneviève Gélinas

GASPÉ: – Photographer Marius Jomphe has photographed fog, frost and ice on the Gaspé Coast. He has walked the coastline from Corner of the Beach to Cap-des-Rosiers for years, in all types of weather. His photographic book *Bruine* shows a coast not seen on post cards, but that will be recognized by Gaspesians and the lovers of the region.

Bruine (which means drizzle), is a 160-page book published by *Editions GID*, and is the result of five years of fieldwork by Mr. Jomphe, a retired teacher. He goes out in time for low tides and sunrises. "Sometimes, it means I leave home at 3:20 a.m. When I grab my coffee at Tim Horton's, I meet people who have just left the bars!"

"Once in the field, I walk and walk and at one point, everything falls into place: the forms and colours. I have no specific intent: just the encounter of that moment. When nature shows me something, I try to make it clear, to get out of the way. You don't take a picture; you capture a picture," states Mr. Jomphe, who taught visual arts at the Gaspé cegep for 32 years. Mr. Jomphe's pictures show natural elements: cliffs, pebbles, waves, algae, ice floes, plants, etc. He observes two common threads in his photographs. "There's the nordicity (degree of northerness). It gives my pictures some harshness. It could be because of my North Shore roots." Mr. Jomphe grew up in Havre-Saint-Pierre at a time when "there was a

ship every two months in winter."

The second common thread is "the littoral, the place where water, in all its forms – ice, fog, liquid comes into contact with the rock. It results in a lot of turmoil, movement and mixing."

Bruine shows "the Gaspé Coast of somebody who lives here rather than the tourist Gaspé Coast, where you see a kite, a little bucket and children, when the sky is blue and there are parasols. I'm not very interested in photographing that."

Mr. Jomphe spent 11 months selecting the pictures for his book. His brother Marcel Jomphe created the graphic design of *Bruine*. They prepared a first draft and printed copies to give to their family.

The pictures were also shown on the big screen in a documentary film, *Pays de naufrages*, by Jean-François Aubé, and were exhibited at the Musée de la Gaspésie, in Gaspé.



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Mr. Jomphe got good comments and was encouraged to show his work to the CEO of *Éditions GID*, Serge Lambert, who accepted the project right away. "There are a lot of books on the Gaspé, but this one stands apart," Mr. Lambert states.

"Nobody before Mr. Jomphe has shown the Gaspésie that way. He has a signature. He makes us know the Gaspé Coast, but not as a postcard. Those who know the Gaspé will recognize it," Mr. Lambert adds.

Mr. Jomphe asked Gaspé businesses to pay for the printing of *Bruine* by buying books in advance. "In two weeks, I had sold 210 books," 52

Marius Jomphe sees two common threads in his photographs: the nordicity (northerness) and the littoral (regions along the shoreline).

he reports. In that way, business people financed \$10,000 of the required \$20,000.

The photographer is now working on three other projects. He keeps photographing the Gaspé Bay along the shoreline. "That's for a more intimate project, with more abstract pictures and a notion of fantasy." Mr. Jomphe also goes back to his North Shore roots by photographing the surroundings of Sheldrake and Rivière-au-Tonnerre.

Mr. Jomphe also spent time in the LeGros House, in Pointe-St-Pierre, to photograph its objects. The house, built in the 1890's, belongs to Canada Nature Conservancy.

No more chlorine in Vachon Lake

Thierry Haroun

CHANDLER: - Good news for the citizens of Chandler, the Polyvalent has stopped dumping chlorine water from its swimming pool into Vachon Lake. This decision satisfies Mayor Louisette Langlois.

As reported in the March 14 issue of Spec, the former president of the Revitalization Committee of Vachon Lake, Marylin Duguay, made a heartfelt plea to save the lake from that pollution. "We're not blaming anyone, but we don't feel that there's a true will by the parties involved to do something about it. Overall, we as members, think that we did what we had to do and we wish the best for those who take over the committee because we truly believe in this cause for the betterment of our community and our beautiful



The polyvalent pool.

town, but the reality is that this lake is seriously deteriorating," she then told Spec.

In that edition, we also revealed that the lake was in bad condition because of the chlorine dumped in it. There were no more fish in the lake and no more frogs around it. Moreover, green algae was increasingly growing in it. The committee showed that 450,000 litres of chlorine water was dumped by the pool once a year in June to empty it totally and 44 times per year it does a backwash. For every backwash, 6,800 litres was dumped and that was the case for many years. Following that interview, the Town of Chandler asked the René-Lévesque School Board (CSRL) for an explanation. Afterwards, negotiations took place between the CSRL, the Town and the Environment Ministry to find a solution.

Thus, the Executive Director of the CSRL, Louis Bujold, confirmed to Spec that work costing \$99,600 (before taxes) and totally paid by his organization, took place this summer and ended at the end of September. These works consisted of redirecting the pool's waters into the town sewers instead of dumping it in the lake. "Once we learned about that problem, we immediately took action in order to settle the problem for the betterment of the environment," he said.

The mayor is happy

Reached by Spec at the town hall, Mayor Louisette Langlois, expressed her satisfaction. "This is very good news for all of us. This lake is at the heart of our town and it's our heritage from the former Gaspésia Mill. We must take care of it and we have projects to beautify it." She did admit that the appeal from Marylin Duguay changed everything. "Absolutely. That committee worked so hard to save that lake and her public message did change things. We heard her message and we finally found a solution with the school board," concluded Louisette Langlois.

Rebirth of Vachon Lake

Thierry Haroun

CHANDLER: - Since the completion of infrastructure work in September, Chandler Polyvalent is no longer dumping chlorine water from its swimming pool into Vachon Lake. Now citizens and municipal representatives can get on with green projects for that lake, a heritage from the former Gaspésia paper mill.

Mayor Louisette Langlois confirmed to Spec that the Hydro-Québec Fund for the Environment has recently offered an amount of \$96,900. "We are really happy to ansignificant nounce this amount. We applied for a grant from that fund and we received a positive answer. This amount will be used for different projects in and around the lake. For instance, we have a drainage project on what is called the Black Stream, a stream that supplies water to the lake. The problem is that embankment slope and the backfill works that occurred over the years on that stream resulted in reducing the oxygen of the clean water that came into the lake." The amount from the fund, continues Ms. Langlois, will also be used to install interpretation panels around the lake. "These signs will explain and inform people about the ecosystem and the ecology in-



Vachon Lake

teractions of the nature that is in the lake and that surrounds it. It's very important to make sure that people are aware of that fragile environment and to sensitize them in protecting it. Oh and by the way by oxygenating the lake's water that will enable us to put fish back in it, such as trout. We used to put trout in it, but they didn't survive very long."

that Vachon Lake has become an attraction, it's located downtown. It's a great heritage from our former paper mill. Now just imagine how much it would cost to create such a lake in the middle of town? It's of course at the heart of the Town's Tourism Policy to an extent that it's even taking care of it in the winter time. People can walk on it. It's a beautiful place all year round," she concluded. Lastly, another amount should be announced for the lake in the near future under the Environment Compensation Program that is related to the activities of Ciment McInnis in Port-Daniel.

Police report

In Quebec, the arrival of November marks the beginning of the countdown before winter settles in for several months. In recent weeks, the Ministry of Transport has finalized its preparation for the winter period. On the coast snow removal trucks are ready to hit the road, salt warehouses are full and staff is on alert.

The Ministry is reminding motorists to adapt their driving habits to winter conditions. The Ministry also recommends learning about road conditions using the various platforms of Quebec 511. Moreover, it reminds drivers that before going out on the road it is necessary that their vehicle is ready for winter (winter tires, windshield washer fluid, brushes, etc.) and they have the necessary equipment to ensure their own their safety (clothing, emergency kit, water bottles, cereal bars, etc.) in case of an emergency.



Recreotourism

Asked if the revitalization projects are at the heart of the Town's Recreotourism objectives, Ms. Langlois answered: "Absolutely! It's now a fact The War Amps programs have grown over the years from assisting war amputees – whom we still serve – to all amputees, including children. Today, we still have much to do to ensure amputees have the artificial limbs they need to lead independent and active lives. To achieve this, we need you!

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Commentary Gilles Gagné

Churchill Falls: A contract is a contract

There is a widely spread perception in nine of Canada's ten provinces that Hydro-Québec fooled Newfoundland and Labrador when an agreement was signed in 1969 to build a power dam at Churchill Falls. For the third time in 30 years, the Supreme Court of Canada determined on November 2 that the contract signed between the Quebec utility and Churchill Falls (Labrador) Corporation was perfectly legal.

It was the sixteenth time that the Churchill Falls (Labrador) Corporation (CFLCo) used tribunals to force change to the 1969 agreement signed between Hydro-Québec and the corporation, now owned by the Newfoundland and Labrador government. That corporation has lost every time.

This time around, the CFLCo was trying to impose two principles: the fairness that must characterize a relational business agreement and the goodwill and fairness that must force partners to reopen an agreement when unpredictability has reached high levels.

Seven of the eight Supreme Court judges stated that the link between Hydro-Québec and Churchill Falls (Labrador) Corporation was not relational. The contract was in fact based on a set of predetermined, accurate and strict norms instead of on flexible parameters.

The seven Supreme Court judges who rejected CFLCo's request also specified that unpredictability was not included in the notions defined by Quebec's 1994 version of the civil code.

That unpredictability did not favour Hydro-Québec when the deal was negotiated with CFLCo. At the end of the 1960s, the price of electricity was going down, as nuclear power was developing and had not started to incur maintenance costs and recurrent environmental nightmares to North American utilities.

So by guaranteeing a fixed price of electricity to Churchill Falls (Labrador) Corporation, Hydro-Québec took all the risks of that venture. It must also be said that Hydro-Québec had all the contacts to secure the loans and the expertise to make the generating station happen. The loans were contracted in the United States.

The Churchill Falls project would never have happened without Hydro-Québec. In fact, the Quebec utility could have developed a venture of the same magnitude in its own province, without having to share one cent of the profits. Those details are often forgotten outside of Quebec.

The fixed electricity price was one quarter of a cent per kilowatt in 1969. It will remain at that price, on the average, until 2041.

That unpredictability factor ended up playing in Hydro-Québec's favour when electricity prices increased in North America. So in 2008, Hydro-Québec was able to sell electricity to Ontario and the United States for nine cents per kilowatt. That same electricity was acquired at Churchill Falls for one quarter of a cent per kilowatt.

Hydro-Québec is therefore accumulating huge profits from Churchill Falls. In a 2010 update presented in a previous lawsuit initiated by CFLCo, it was determined that Hydro-Québec had made profits of \$23 billion since the opening of the power dam. Eight years ago, Newfoundland and Labrador had only received a bit more than \$1 billion in profits from Churchill Falls.

Although the benefits stemming from Churchill Falls are clearly lopsided, they were negotiated over many years by willing entities. In fact, the talks had started in the 1950s. On many occasions, the pressure came from Newfoundland and Labrador in order to to accelerate negotiations.

At the time, the Quebec government was still reeling from a 1927 British Parliament decision to change, the limits of Labrador for the benefits of Newfoundland. Before 1949, Newfoundland and Labrador were still British colonies. Quebec also tried to change, through court actions, the British decision to cut its share of Labrador, to no avail. The location called Churchill Falls was part of Quebec before 1927.

Another historical factor, way more recent, adds fuel to the Churchill Falls controversy. It is the current development of the Muskrat Falls power dam. That project, heavily encouraged financially by the federal government of Stephen Harper, is already being called a fiasco, as the cost overrun has surpassed the initial value, \$6 billion, of the project. It is now a \$13 billion project, and the cost is still rising.

The fact that the Newfoundland and Labrador government has opted for power lines avoiding Quebec in order to export part of Muskrat Falls' electricity is adding to the total cost of the initiative. The electricity bill of Newfoundlanders is therefore increasing sharply instead of decreasing or remaining stable.

Fortunately, the premier of Newfoundland and Labrador, Dwight Ball, has adopted the right attitude since the last Supreme Court decision. He wants to forget the past and work on the future. By 2041, his province, through Nalcor Energy, a government corporation, will have gained full control of the Churchill Falls generating station. The dam is presently owned by Nalcor in a proportion of 65.8% and by Hydro-Québec for the 34.2% remaining.

Mr. Ball's province will likely still need Hydro-Québec's power lines to export electricity to Ontario and the United States, but he will have solid negotiation arguments, considering that the Quebec utility will still want to reap some benefits from Churchill Falls.



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Lelièvre's files transferred to Mélançon

Geneviève Gélinas

GASPÉ: – The previous Gaspé Member of the National Assembly (MNA) Gaétan Lelièvre and the new MNA Méganne Perry Mélançon are asking the National Assembly for rules to require the transfer of files from one MNA to the next. Lelièvre transferred his files to and Mélançon in front of the press on October 29.

According to Ms. Perry Mélançon, it is "aberrant" that some new Members of the National Assembly find empty filing cabinets when they take office. The Parti Québécois MNA observed that elected representatives of other parties expressed concerns on that topic and she wants to propose changes. The current parliamentary procedure does not establish any rules about transfer of the files.

By the time the next provincial election comes around, "I hope that the National Assembly is going to introduce rules for the MNAs to have no choice but to transfer their files," stated Gaétan Lelièvre. Assembling files "requires time and results in costs," he states. Refusing to transfer the files "significantly increases the time to process them."

Some MNAs spoke about the confidential nature of the documents to justify their destruction. Mr. Lelièvre got around that problem. His staff contacted all citizens who had submitted a file. "We asked them if they wanted us to transfer it, to destroy it or if they wanted to have it back." Most of the citizens chose to



Photo: G. Gélinas

Méganne Perry Mélançon, the new Gaspé Member of National Assembly, took over the files assembled by the team of previous Member of National Assembly, Gaétan Lelièvre.

transfer their file to the new MNA, Mr. Lelièvre reports.

The files of municipalities and organizations were automatically transferred, because they contain no confidential information, says the previous MNA.

Mr. Lelièvre's team also eliminated the duplicates and closed files, and cleaned up the active files. The employees took two weeks to do this work, Mr. Lelièvre estimates.

Gaétan Lelièvre was elected as a Parti Québécois MNA in 2012 and 2014 before becoming an independant MNA in 2017. He would have done the same transfer, whatever the party of the new MNA, he assures.

Saint-François MNA Geneviève Hébert and Orford MNA Gilles Bélanger, both of the Coalition Avenir Québec, complained about the fact that their Liberal predecessors, Guy Hardy and Pierre Reid, destroyed their files. The predicament of empty filing cabinets make the headlines election after election, at the provincial and federal levels.



Photo: T. Haroun

Firearms prevention phone line now available

Thierry Haroun

A free firearms prevention phone line is now available. The announcement was recently made by the Québec Firearms Control Bureau. This phone line aims at preventing accidents, explained Sgt. Joyce Kemp. "It's not an emergency line. It's a preventive line. For instance, if you feel in danger, have observed a change of behaviour from a person that has a firearm, it could be a parent, a colleague, a spouse or a former spouse, don't hesitate to call and report it. Once that is done, we make the verifications and if we think that there is a danger the person's firearm could be seized and the permit could be revoked for a period of time, but this is not an emergency line. What I mean by that, is that if someone feels an immediate danger for his life, you have to call 9-1-1," emphasizes Sgt. Kemp. This said, the preventive phone line is 1-800 731-4000.





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Four employees purchase Forillon shipyard

Geneviève Gélinas

GASPÉ: – Four employees aged between 24 and 35 years of age bought the Gaspé Forillon shipyard from its previous owner, Robert Côté. They will look after the 70-employee shipyard, which is building six search and rescue boats for the Canadian Coast Guard, a \$45.8 million contract.

Jean-David Samuel, who has been working at the shipyard for ten years, is the buyer with the most seniority. "It was a joint discussion. We showed interest and he (Robert Côté) showed interest in negotiating with us," reports Mr. Samuel, who is the new president and chief executive officer.



Pierre-Émile Côté, Jean-Daniel Minville, Jean-David Samuel and Jean-Nil Poirier-Morissette are the new owners of the Forillon shipyard, in Sandy Beach, Gaspé.

The three other buyers are Jean-Nil Poirier-Morissette, operations manager, Jean-Daniel Minville, engineering manager and Pierre-Émile Côté, the project manager who is also the eldest son of Robert Côté.

"Robert made giant steps with the shipyard. We're ready

for the next step. We'll work in continuity; we won't change everything, but we'll be able to make a big step towards automation," Mr. Samuel states.

"It's a good timing for a handover," says Mr. Samuel, because of the "prosperity" brought by the Canadian Coast Guard contract. That contract has been keeping the employees busy since 2016 and will end in 2021. Among the six ordered boats, two have been delivered, two are being built and two remain to be built.

Robert Côté, 51 years old, will remain active in the company for a while. "I'm going to be a mentor, to coach them. My office remains there. I'll be close to the employees and for the buyers, long enough to transfer my contacts and my knowledge," says Robert Côté.

He will also be "the angel investor for about ten years," according to financial arrangements which are "too long to explain."

Mr. Côté became a shareholder of the shipyard in 1991. He was 24 years old. He became the single owner of the company in 2006 and started the diversification of the business, which was specialized in fishing boats. The shipyard is still building fishing boats, but also commercial ships, such as tugboats, barges and ferries.

The buyers didn't reveal the amount of the purchase.

La Passerelle garden has much to offer

Gilles Gagné

NEW RICHMOND: – This year, La Passerelle, the New Richmond organization which offers support to those experiencing psychological difficulties, once again organized a garden project. The garden serves two purposes, re-entry to the work place for certain clients, and a way to raise funds.

"We started with 12 people. We lost a few during the course of the summer but we are proud of the results. The garden is a good way to socially reinsert people who have been living somewhat away from society due to psychological problems," explains Carole Gauthier, coordinator of La Passerelle.

"A garden facilitates the development of skills that are useful in our society. You have to attend an activity that is taking place almost daily,



Gardener Maria Côté, garden's supervisor Daniel Jacques, La Passerelle's coordinator Carole Gauthier, gardener Johanne Rouleau and client Anne Robert show the diversity of this year's crop.

four times weekly in our case, and you have to accept some rules. You need a reason if you skip a day. You commit to an initiative. We have people that have used the garden to find work. I can think of several, and especially one that I see every time I go to the supermarket. I think of him when he was here and there is a big difference between that man then and how he fares now," says Ms. Gauthier.

La Passerelle operates

with a yearly budget of approximately \$170,000. The garden allows the organization to sell close to \$4,000 worth of vegetables, an appreciated contribution to its finances. Last year, La Passerelle offered personalized services to 386 people and 910 people when the conferences offered by the organization are included in the count. "We sell some vegetables at the New Richmond public market and at L'Intégrale, the organic food store. We sell some processed food, like our garlic flower pesto. We prefer selling processed vegetables," points out Carole Gauthier.

La Passerelle's garden is located in New Richmond west, on a piece of land lent by Leonard Leblanc. The gardeners also receive appreciated support from their neighbour to the north, cattle farmer Billy Budd.



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Innouncements..





FLOWERS: Levi TJ

Hello everyone! My name is Levi Tj Flowers and I was born on October 23, 2018 at 2:41 a.m. I weighed 8 lbs 4 oz and was 21.5 inches long.

My proud parents are Ashley Renouf and Christopher Flowers from New Carlisle. My two big sisters are Blayke and Rory Flowers. My proud grandparents are Richard Renouf (Kathy Gallon), Lisa McDavid (Billy-Joe Gallon), April Main and Timmy Flowers. My great-grandparents are Leila and the late Harold (Buddy) Renouf. I am also the first Flowers greatgrandson to Harvey and Janey Flowers of New Carlisle. My family would like to send a big thank-you to the wonderful staff at Maria Hospital and to everyone who came to visit me. xoxo





COFFIN: Pearl Mom and grandmother you are gone but thank you REHEL: George - October 16, 1988 REHEL-LEMIEUX: Ernestine - November 18, 2017

In loving memory of my dear parents. What I would not give to clasp their hands Their dear sweet faces to see; To hear their voices, to see their smiles, That meant so much to me. You left behind an aching heart, That loved you most sincere, I never did, nor ever will Forget you, my parents dear. Love your daughter, Helena.

RENOUF: Ernest RENOUF: Annie Sawyer

In loving memory of a dear father, grandfather and great-grandfather who passed away May 28, 1991 and a dear mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, who passed away November 15, 2007. Beautiful memories Are wonderful things. They last til the longest day, They never wear out. They never wear out. They never get lost, And they can never be given away. To some you may be forgotten, To others a part of the past, But to us who loved and lost you both, Your memories will always last.

Always remembered and sadly missed by daughter Pearl and granddaughters Joan, Brenda and their families.

ROUSSY: Lois (Puddy) and Bruce

In loving memory of a stepdaughter and her husband who died in a car accident on November 12, 1978. *It isn't what I write,*

Or even what I say. It's what I feel within my heart, As I think of you today. A thousand prayers won't bring you back, I know because I tried. And neither will a million tears, I know because I cried. To me you were so special, What more is there to say. Except I wish with all my heart, That you were here today. Always remembered and sadly missed by Bill.

90 never looked so good!



SAWYER: Hannah Jayne RENOUF: Russell

In loving memory of our parents who passed away Hannah Jayne Sawyer (November 7, 2012) and Russell Renouf (November 24, 2014). Dear Mom and Dad. Sometimes we just sit quietly, *Reflecting for a while.* Imagining your voice, your face. Your warm and loving smile, For it is so lovely to recall, The happy times we had. When they played such a special role, As both mom and dad. And at the special time, We only wish you knew. That we would give all the world today, For one more hour with you. But we still have our memories, And since we've been apart It comforts us to know That you are right here in our hearts. They say its a beautiful journey Which will lead us straight to you, And when we reach that garden In which there will be no pain We'll put our arms around you, And never part again.

We love and miss you both every day. Until we meet again. Love Donna, Velda, Vaughan and family. xoxo

Wedding Announcement



After a five year long-distance relationship Sadie Gallibois and Josh Hayes were married September 1, 2018 in Henry's field, Shigawake. It was a warm, sunny day with a light breeze, as the young couple shared vows surrounded by their friends and family. Pastor Paul officiated and the couple was supported by fourteen attendants, Molly Gallibois as Maid of Honour and Brandon McGuire as Best Man. The ceremony celebrated their love through song, poetry and bible readings. The reception followed at the Ranch du Vallon barn in Bonaventure. The festivities continued with speeches from proud parents Lori Ann and Paul Hayes and Ann Kelly and Guy Gallibois, as well as the Maid of Honour and Best Man. Both Gallibois and Hayes-McGuire families shared their talents by paying tribute to the couple through dance and song. The wedding event culminated in a dance which lasted into the wee hours of the night. The beautifully decorated venues along with the natural surroundings and the loving energy of the couple made for an unforgettable day. A big thank you to everyone who attended and who gave generously.

for all these soft sweet things you have left behind. In my home, In my head, In my heart.

Love and miss you forever Mom, Nan.

MILLER: Austin

In loving memory of my husband who passed away November 8, 1991. Loving memories never die. As years roll on and days pass by. In my heart a memory is kept, Of the one I love and will never forget. Always remembered by your loving wife Mary.

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Ethel Sexton turns a wonderful 90 years young on November 10. In October she shared a special evening with her children, grandchilden and their spouses, great-grandchildren, close family members and many dear friends. We, her family, are blessed to have our "mommy" and "grandma" with us, and we treasure her good health. Happy 90th Birthday, we love you beyond what words can truly express. *Love, your family. xoxo*

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COAST ROUND-UP

CLASSIFIEDS

For Sale: Yardworks snowblower in working order, 30" with 10.5 Tecumseh motor. Asking \$150. Call 418-752-6041 or 581-233-8256.

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COAST ROUND-UP

GASPE:

Legion Branch 59

November 11: Remembrance Day service at the Cathedral beginning at 9 a.m. (bus service leaving Legion at 8:30 a.m. to Cathedral) Cenotaph ceremony starting at 10:30 a.m. For more infomation call the Legion at 418-368-2772.

YORK:

York ACW

November 17: Christmas Sale and Afternoon Tea at the York River Community Hall. Handicrafts, bake tables, white elephant table and mystery parcels. Afternoon tea beginning at 2 p.m.

YORK:

York River Seniors

December 1: Annual Christmas dinner and dance at Gaspé Elementary School. Cocktails at 5 p.m. followed by dinner at 6 p.m. \$20 per person. Club members will receive a \$15 refund at the door. Please note that tickets must be purchased in advance before **November 25.** Tickets available at Photo Cassidy or from Ron Mundle. For more information call 418-368-5227.

DOUGLASTOWN: Community Centre

November 8: Traditional music and dance get together in the hopes of initiating regular workshops focusing on local and regional traditions. Bring your instruments. Come and learn more about these traditions and share your knowledge

with other traditional music and dance enthusiasts. November 11: Book launch

with Orbie for "Sloth at the Zoom" from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Come meet the illustrator and learn about her creative process. Orbie will read the book to the children, who will then be invited to draw their own page. For young and old, everyone is invited!

BARACHOIS: Christmas Market

November 24: Fourth annual Christmas Market from 9 a.m. to noon at Belle Anse School. If you are interested in reserving a table, please contact Sandy Coombs at 418-645-2874 before November 22.

BARACHOIS:

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

PORT DANIEL: Three Star

Golden Age Club November 24: Military Whist. Beginning at 8 p.m. \$5 per person. Light lunch served. November 24: Christmas Tea from noon to 2 p.m. A Christmas pudding will be served for dessert. \$7 per person. Every-

SHIGAWAKE:

one welcome.

Community Center

November 10: Christmas Tea from noon till 3 p.m. \$7 per person.

December 1: Christmas Bake and Craft Sale, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tables available \$10. December 3: Christmas gift bingo beginning at 7 p.m.

HOPE TOWN:

Hope Baptist **Church Service**

Hope Baptist Church welcomes you. Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m. and Corporate Worship at 11 a.m. on Sundays. Prayer Meeting and Bible Study at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Young Peoples for grades 7-11 at 7 p.m. on Fridays. 305 Route 132 West, Hope Town, 418-752-5838.

HOPE TOWN:

Community Center

November 9: Gift bingo beginning at 7:30 p.m. All proceeds for the purchase of a snowblower for the rink. November 10: Military Whist. Beginning at 8 p.m. November 30: Christmas gift bingo beginning at 7:30 p.m. All proceeds for the purchase of a snowblower for the rink. December 8: Military Whist. Beginning at 8 p.m.

NEW CARLISLE: Gilker Residence

December 8: Annual Christmas Market from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Wide variety of Christmas gifts such a knitting, jewellery, baking, herbal soaps, arts and crafts, Enid Le Gros jewellery and weaving.

NEW CARLISLE:

Christmas Bazaar December 2: Annual Christmas Bazaar at the New Carlisle Municipal Hall from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you wish to reserve a table for \$10, please call Agnes at 418-752-7192.

NEW CARLISLE:

Good Samaritan Lodge November 17: A mussel and ribs night will be held at the Town Hall in New Carlisle beginng at 5 p.m. Further information to follow.

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:

Royal Canadian Legion November 11: Remembrance Day church service will be held at 9 a.m. at St. Andrew's Anglican Church in New Carlisle.

COAST ROUND-UP: \$5 per week CLASSIFIED: \$6 per week

11th ceremonies will be held at

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November 17: Fall Tea from

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on weekends. Activities include

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jold at 418-391-2507 or by

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NEW RICHMOND:

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NEW RICHMOND:

leaving NCHS at 10:30 a.m.

New Richmond. November 11: The November

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

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 172, meets monthly every third Saturday at the Legion located at 55 Gallagher St. November 11: Remembrance Day celebrations beginning at 11 a.m. at the Cenotaph, Gasgapegiag, followed by refreshments at the Wejgwapniag School.

November 18: Annual roast beef dinner to honour the veterans from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Legion. Cost is \$12 per adult, \$8 for 12 years and under.

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES: Book Room

Please note that the book room is open on Wednesdays from 1 - 4 p.m. For more details, please contact Kathleen Paquet at 418-392-4896.

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES: 50+ Club

Every Thursday: Dame de Pique at 1 p.m. \$5 per person.

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.

UNITED CHURCH Sunday, November 11 Worship with Anglicans in New Carlisle at 9 a.m.

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On the lighter side ...



ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, this is a great week to give that special someone in your life some extra love and attention. Your workloads have lightened across the board, so go the extra mile.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, all eyes are on you and all attention is focused in your direction. Stay grounded as much as possible as you become the center of attention.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21 Keep a watchful eye on your domestic responsibilities, Gemini. It's easy for the scales to tip in other directions, but nothing is more important than life at home. CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22

Distant shores are beckoning, Cancer. Now could be the time to start planning a getaway you have always dreamed of. Enjoy this exciting trip. LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

Romance may not be in the stars this week for you, Leo, as you are too distracted by work. Make some time to come up for air and then focus on rela-

tionships. VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, someone special to you may shower you with intense love and affection this week if you just find the time to connect. Clear your schedule for the rest of the week.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, if you play your cards right, you will look back on this week with nothing but smiles. Things will soon get sorted out, and this week will mark a turning point. SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, things may not have been easy for you over the last couple of weeks, but your courage and stamina know no bounds. Keep forging ahead. SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, your career is in a perfect place right now, so you can devote some of your attention to personal matters even your love life. Start focusing on your feelings.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20 You notice a definite boost in your energy level and drive this week, Capricorn. It's almost as if you've rediscovered a passion you tucked away for a while. AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18 Cosmic dust will settle mid-week and you will feel as if you have your power back, Aquarius. If you've been holding off on projects, now is the time to charge

Why Wear a Poppy

Don Crawford



"Please wear a Poppy," the lady said, And held one forth, but I shook my head, Then I stopped and watched as she offered them there,

And her face was old and lined with care; But beneath the scars the years had made There remained a smile that refused to fade.

A boy came whistling down the street, Bouncing along on carefree feet, His smile was full of joy and fun: "Lady," said he, "May I have one?" When she pinned it on he turned to say, "Why do we wear a poppy today?"

The lady smiled in her wistful way, And answered, "This is Remembrance Day, And the poppy there is a symbol for The gallant ones who died in war, And because they did, you and I are free, That's why we wear the poppy, you see.

I had a boy about your size, With golden hair and big blue eyes. He loved to play and jump and shout, Free as a bird he would race about. As the years went by he learned and grew, And became a man – as you will, too.

But the war went on and he had to stay, And all I could do was wait and pray. His letters told of the dreadful plight, (I can see it still in my dreams at night) With the tanks and guns and cruel barbed wire, and the mines and bullets, the bombs and fire.

Till at last, at last, the war was won – And that's why we wear a poppy, son." The small boy turned as if to go, Then said, "Thanks lady, I'm glad to know, That sure did sound like an awful fight, But your son – did he come back all right?"

A tear rolled down each faded cheek: She shook her head but didn't speak. I slunk away in a sort of shame, And if you were me you'd have done the same: For our thanks, in giving, is oft delayed Though our freedom was bought And thousands paid.

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Réal Grenier, b.a.II.I. Jules Grenier, b.a.II.I.

ahead. PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20 Pisces, make a list of your priorities so you can focus your energy efficiently. You don't want to waver when trying to get things done.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS NOVEMBER 4 Steven Ogg, Actor (45) NOVEMBER 5 Sal Vulcano, Comic (42) NOVEMBER 6 Emma Stone, Actress (30) NOVEMBER 7 Lorde, Singer (22) NOVEMBER 8 David Muir, News Anchor (45) NOVEMBER 9 Eric Dane, Actor (46) NOVEMBER 10 Melissa Lambert, Singer (35)

And so when we see a poppy worn, Let us reflect on the burden borne, By those who gave their very all, When asked to answer their country's call. That we at home in peace might live.

Then wear a poppy, Remember And give.



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Remembrance DAY november 11th

There aren't sufficient words to thoroughly describe what "Remembrance Day" means. Young men and women fought for our future, enduring pain, sweat and tears on foreign land under unforgiving conditions of hail, snow, rain and heat. Many fallen solders sacrificed their young lives so that we Gaspesians and countless others can live in such a wonderful country with so much freedom.

They cared for us immensely in their thoughts but left behind loved ones. On November 11, we stand in remembrance to demonstrate how much they touched all of our hearts.

Most Gaspesians know of a veteran, either a family member or someone from the community, so lay aside other commitments and honour these heroes on November 11, on the 11th month, on the 11th day, on the 11th hour.

2018 Soap Box Derby Results

Jack Harrison

CASCAPEDIA-ST-JULES: - Congratulations to Charlie Caplin for winning the big one this year. This puts you directly into the "Go-cart Hall of Fame".

Three more drivers have now conquered the challenge of coming down Jimmy Brown's Hill in their 80th year. Lorna DeVouge, Ron Willett and Jack Harrison join the brave people that have come before – Albert McWhirter, Ivan DeVouge and "Billy Buttons" from the west. Congratulations to all and here's to many more years of racing! For future 80-year-olds, the idea is just a challenge. Come down the hill at any speed, brakes on if you wish – you don't have to have nerves of steel, like we did.

Driver of the day, no doubt, was young Katy DeVouge who finished in 2nd place. Honourable mention goes to Jimmy McWhirter, who lost to her in the semi-final. Ivan and Lorna DeVouge also performed well, ending up in the semi-finals. Jim Geraghty failed to get a win, but he will fight his way back to the





winner's circle next year, as he always does.

Three young drivers brought in by Ronnie Woodman – Stefanie, Marika and Samuel, really showed driving skills in the 15-49 class. Christopher Caplin once again was the overall winner in that class. Congratulations, Christopher! William M. Cormier had a super day, finishing second. Merrick VanderVaart finished third in his first showing in the 15-49 class. See you next year!



Fallen Leaves

Oh the Autumn leaves are falling And Remembrance Day draws near And we wonder just how many Of our Vets are left this year.

From bygone wars and battlefields No pen can really tell Just what those souls, who gave their best Saw in that living hell.

The coloured leaves lie on the ground And soon are blown away Yet fallen sons and daughters Are still in our hearts today.

When we mark that special day And hear the bugle sound And taps are played and wreaths are laid A prayer in every heart is found.

Oh God please grant them perfect peace For which they fought and many died And every living soldier have A heart that overflows with pride.

To us to whom they passed that torch As told 'In Flanders Fields", May we remember every day The special freedom victory yields.

We salute the brave this time of year And never let the memories fade Of those who made that valiant stand And that supreme dear price have paid.

-Art MacPherson





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