

### MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS



#### May is a month of promises.

May is a month of celebrations. Graduations are being held, Recognitions are given for work accomplished. The whole universe is smiling at us through its flowering plants and dancing water ways.

### MWCN Sponsored Events:

#### Upcoming events:

**Walking Group** will be back in the Spring of 2017. Would like to join this group but need more information? Please call Pauline Wiedow at 450-617-0513 and leave a message.

May 18: Partnership Table and MWCN's Annual General Meeting  
 Start time: 6:00pm, held at NFSB – St-Lawrence Room

#### Be a member detector

*New members are the lifeblood of every organization, including ours.*



#### MWCN Board Elected officers:

President: Pauline Wiedow  
 Vice President: Lise Brunette  
 Treasurer: Gayle Holdaway  
 Secretary: Grace Brasseur

**Members:** Chuck Halliday  
 Susanna Langevin  
 New member: Georges Bujold  
 New member: Louise Kinney  
 New Member: Emily Lemieux  
 New member: Marlene Stacey

Volunteer Coordinator: Lynda Friend

#### Interest groups

Book Club Chair: Gayle Holdaway  
 Membership Chair: Gayle Holdaway  
 Newsletter editor: Lise Brunette

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#### Letters to the Editor

Event, activity, or interesting fact to share?  
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#### Save the date:

#### May 18: MWCN AGM and Partnership Meeting

6pm start, held at the NFSB School Board 215 McLeod, St-Lawrence room.

#### Sept 24 MWCN Fundraising Lunch and Raffle.

12-4pm Meal served from 12-3pm Meal Tahiti's buffet. Coffee, tea and drinks not included. Bring your own wine and beer.

**Place:** Tahiti Fusion Restaurant, 88 Blvd Saint Jean-Baptiste, Chat J6K 3A6

**Price:** Adults: \$15.00 Children 10 and under \$7.50

**Music** "This is Two" an acoustic experience from 1-3pm.



**Nov 11-12: Commemorating 100th year of the Battle for Vimy Ridge and Recognizing the sacrifice of Six Beauharnois families.** Held at St-Edwards Church, Beauharnois.

**Vendredi - le 19 mai Friday - May 19 12:00 – 6:00**  
**Samedi - le 20 mai Saturday - May 20 9:00 – 5:00**  
**HAECC - 24 York - Huntingdon**






## Flower & Plant Fundraiser

Our Horticulture students have been working very hard....and you can benefit! A variety of beautiful plants will be available in our greenhouses. While helping us raise funds, discover how you can turn your green thumb hobby into your career with our Horticulture Program.

## Fleurs & plantes

Levée de fonds

Nos étudiants en horticulture ont travaillé fort ... et vous pouvez en profiter! Une belle variété de plantes sera disponible dans nos serres. Tout en contribuant à notre levée de fonds, votre visite vous inspirera peut-être à utiliser votre pouce vert comme l'outil d'une carrière florissante en horticulture.



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### Horticulture Program Programme d'horticulture

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# FUN AND LUNCH WITH A BUNCH

The Montérégie West Community Network (MWCN) and the Chateauguay Civitan Club's "Seniors Wellness & Awareness Program" is in full swing at the Civitan Club, 3 Paul Hallé, Chateauguay.

**Wednesdays, from 10am – 1pm at The Civitan Club. Be sure to register!!**

We will also have Bingo / Crib and Scrabble....something for everyone.

### Subsequent dates to remember

May 17<sup>th</sup> **"Decluttering"** with Pearl Fennel and Gail Walker Real Estate agent: Learn how to prepare your house for sale.

May 24<sup>th</sup> **Seniors Fraud Awareness** with André Marcotte from the FADOQ along with Nathalie Langevin, Chateauguay Police.

All are welcome. Bring a friend. You may meet up with an old friend or make a new one. You just never know.

**\*\*\*Meet-ups include lunch and fun at the low cost of only a 'toonie'.**

\*Plans in the making for June and July along with the Walking Group and exercise\*

**To reserve your spot or for more information call Louise 450-699-1255 Or Pauline 450-617-0513**



## Haut-Saint-Laurent Volunteer Recognition Gala

The Jury members wish to thank all the people who nominated a volunteer for the Haut-Saint-Laurent Volunteer Recognition Gala.

The different categories showcased at the Gala; Community Organisations; Municipalities; Institutions; Families; Corporations; and Youth, allow us to note that volunteer engagement is found throughout the social spheres of your community.

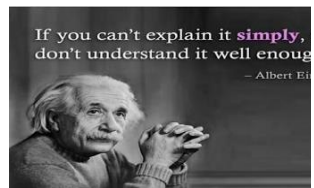
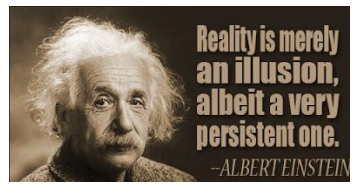
We all win by living in a better world thanks to you and we congratulate you all for your nomination.

It was with great pleasure that the Jury awarded the "Vision-Bénévolat 2017 Recognition Award" to **Mrs. Mary Shewchuk** for her incredible devotion in developing services where there were none. Thanks to her intensity, her generosity and her determination, Mary Shewchuk gave life to **Melissa's Sunshine Camp**.

Pauline Wiedow  
President  
Services  
Montérégie West Community Network  
Montérégie-Ouest

Manon Lamarre  
Director Volunteer

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The Montérégie West Community Network and the Chateauguay Civitan Club held an amazing event at the Chateauguay Civitan Club, April 8<sup>th</sup> in honour of the **100th anniversary of Vimy Ridge**.

It was a great day and I feel very proud that we were given this opportunity to put our skills and partnerships to work.

I thank everyone who was involved. I especially want to thank all the volunteers from the Chateauguay Civitan Club, the MWCN members, NFSB students and teacher Katrina Rane Smith, and Community members. It was truly an opportunity to honour a very special event in Canadian History and to share family memories of those who gave the ultimate price for our freedom and the privilege of living the quality of life that we have in Canada today.

A great big thank you to our sponsors Brenda Shanahan, MP for publicity, the City of Chateauguay and Philippe Moreau, MNA's office contribution for volunteer implication.

Pauline Wiedow  
MWCN



As always, each participant in our full-day conference will be entitled to receive workshops materials and enjoy a delicious luncheon all for the very low cost of registration: just \$35 for QAHN members and \$45 for everyone else.

**Huntigdon Adult Education & Community Centre**  
June 16, 2017

### Appealing to charitable foundations

Presented by Camilla Leigh, Founding Partner, Philanthropica Consulting

Charitable foundations exist to give money away to worthy causes.

#### Topics covered include:

- The founda-on landscape in Quebec and Canada
- Research methodologies to iden-fy founda-ons
- Matching your mission with founda-on priori-es
- Leveraging your network to get support from founda-on Directors

### Using internet-based tools for fundraising

Presented by Kira Page, Facilitator and Outreach Coordinator, Centre for Community Organizations (COCO)

#### Topics covered include:

- Understanding Facebook marketing & fundraising tools
- Crea-ng great email fundraising campaigns
- Understanding crowdfunding and how to use it effec-vely
- Integrating fundraising into your communica-ons

For more information about registering, call toll-free 1-877-964-0409 or (local) 819 564-9595.

