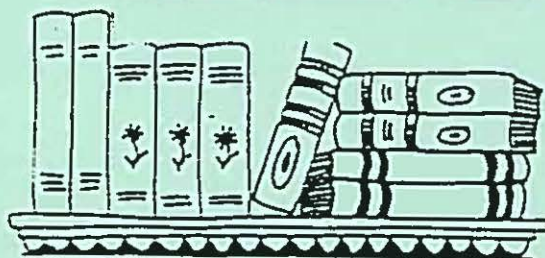


# COASTERS ASSOCIATION



## INFORMER

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### SPEECH BY HONOURABLE MICHEL DUPUY

Three recent achievements were established. The first achievement was to give Canada's official-language communities greater responsibility. The second, the growth and development of minority communities depends on education. The third achievement is establishing growth and development of minority English & French communities through partnership.

He also listed the challenges and outlooks: First challenge, Francophone communities requesting access to the 24 hour french news channel by RDI. The second challenge is to strengthen the base of the entire french language school system to ensure that French Canada produces a dynamic work force in a variety of fields.

In his conclusion he stated that linguistic duality is a part of Canadian Society, and quoted a paragraph from a speech by the prime Minister on the growth of bilingualism and linguistic duality in Canada.

### QUEBEC LABRADOR FOUNDATION PROUDLY ANNOUNCES NEW AWARD!!!

The QLF through it's Atlantic Center for the Environment is pleased to introduce "The Caring for the Earth Award" which will pay tribute to persons working for sustainable development and conservation in eastern Canada and New England. The award will be presented annually to an individual who demonstrates leadership either through volunteer service or paid professional work. Also, the winner will receive \$1000.00 and be honoured at a function organized by QLF.

## PROJECTS! PROJECTS!

Fundraising Project: A total of \$2,428.00 was collected from the Mother's Day tickets. The names were chosen by Mr. Lionel Roberts and witness by Mrs. Kay Roberts at St. Paul's School. Congratulations go out to:

- Charlotte Rowsell - Chevery
- Linda Robertson - La Tabatiere
- Mary Alice Bateman - St. Augustine
- Louisa Buckle - Old Fort Bay
- Joyce Joncas - Lourdes

The mother's of the year received a beautiful plaque inscribed with their names and a Coaster's Jacket.

A list of employees currently working, their projects and the amount of financing each project received.

Student Project: A project entitled "Services to Senior Citizens" was submitted under the Summer Youth Services Program to the Canadian Employment Center, on April 28. Hoping to get "the thumbs up" to go ahead.

The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy (TAGS): A Secretary has been approved for this project. A contribution of \$2080.00 will be received, creating one part-time job (2 1/2 days weekly) for a total of 520 hours.

Youth Retention Project: Information from the Ghislain Monger, Guidance Counsellor and

the Commission Scolaire du Littoral was received to replace inaccurate information in the report.

Provincial Youth-Joint Project: Mr. Sylvain Auder has been commissioned to complete the project and the Townshippier's Association has the responsibility of administering the project. They have worked out a time line for certain steps until it's completion.

Radio Network Project: Letters received from various organization, ministers and companies of their inability and ability to donate funds aiding with the establishment of a regional radio Network.

## MEETINGS

On November 14, 1994 a meeting of the Working Group Forum was attended by the Executive Director in Montreal. A summary of this meeting is on file at the office.

A meeting was held on April 25 at the Municipal Hall in Lourdes to find solutions to employ the youth on the LNS. Minutes of this meeting are available in french at the office.

Robert Fibich, wishes to inform the public that there will be a meeting on Tourism Development at the Municipal Hall on Friday, May 12th at 7:00 pm and Saturday, May 13 from 9:00 am - 4:30 pm.

The Provincial Committee of Health & Social Services held meetings on March 8 and April 12, 1995. Minutes of these meetings are on file at the office.

The Provincial Education Committee meeting was held on March 22, 1995. The minutes of this meeting is on file at the office.

The finalization of the framework agreement has been received for the Repositioning Committee. The Townshippers' Association has decided not to sign the agreement. A Conference Call has been scheduled for Wednesday, May 10th.

Staff meetings of the Coasters Association were held on May 1st and 8th. Minutes of these meetings are on file at the office.

#### CSBCN NEWS BULLETINS!

There is a high level of contaminants still present in sea birds' eggs and consumption should be avoided.

The Hiring practice of registered nurses has been explained by Mr. Remi Beaudion in a letter and has been forwarded to our office.

#### CONGRATULATIONS YOU WIN !!!

This year we offered a

certificate of recognition award for active involvement in Community and School life. All Secondary schools participated and Congratulations are in order to:

- Chico Shattler - Mun. de St. Augustine
- Gina Chubbs - Mun. de Gross Mecatina
- Marsha Buckle - Mun. de Bonne Esperance
- Jamie Smith - Lourdes de Blanc Sablon

Also the lucky participants were the recipient of a \$100.00 cash prize also donated the Coasters Association.

#### INTRODUCING....

The Labrador Metis Association is the latest group to join our family. It is a group whose members consist of mixed Native and European ancestry. They continue to be active in their traditions and confirms that "the Metis Culture is not dead."

#### YOU ARE INVITED TO....

This month has requested our presence at the following Annual General Meetings and Convention;

- VEQ - May 24
- L'ARC - May 26, 27, & 28
- QCNA - June 2, 3

## INTERNET

CASA now has a mailbox number on the internet. It is as follows; casa@grics.edupac.qc.ca.

Alliance Quebec is also getting to know the internet.

## RIDE THE SKY WITH REGIONNAIR!!

The airline wishes to apologize for any inconvenience they may caused as per travel plans during the AGM. They paid the expenses for persons who were stuck in Chevery overnight and agreed to pay half of the helicopter expenses to get these persons home.

## TO THE PILOTS OF THE AIRWAVES

This month has put us in contact with our local radio stations to announce the winners of the Mother Day draws, closure of the office for holidays, the Encounters Canada winner, and information on the student award donated by our organization.

## DISMISSAL OF POST MASTER IN OLD FORT

Mr. Douglas Woodland was dismissed from his position as post master because of his inability to speak french. His letter requesting aid was accompanied by a petition signed by the population of Old Fort. The Coasters gave their support to Mr. Woodland by writing letters to appropriate persons. To date there have

been two comments, one from Bernard St-Laurent and Dr. Victor C. Goldbloom.

## ALLIANCE QUEBEC

Nominees are welcome for a special award. Some successful English-speaking Quebecer between the ages of 16 - 35 years who has stayed and contributed to the improvement of Quebec. A tribute supper is planned and a plaque will be awarded to each lucky winner!

Convention /95 will be held on Friday, May 26 - Sunday, May 28. The following persons representing the association will be attending; Cornella Maurice, Pamela Roberts, Scott Buckle, Nancy Buffitt and Stella Shattler.

At the Convention this year a technician will be on hand to demonstrate attributes of the internet.

A listing of government Services for people 55 and over was sent to us by Richard Silver. This will make it easier to put the Senior Citizens requesting aid in contact with the correct people.

Quebec Notes: In the news this month much concern has gone on over the hospital cuts and closures in the province of Quebec.

The Parti Quebecois are having bad times. French Canadian citizens have been criticizing the idea of a sovereign Quebec.

CVESPA....

Has concerns about the Canada-Community Agreement and would like to have it discussed further.

#### HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

A letter was sent to the President of Outaouais Alliance explaining the Provincial Committee and the actions it has taken regarding the orientations of the Canada-Quebec Agreement.

The Centre Holland is a Senior's Link to Services. It is a program which aids the elderly by having younger volunteers assist them in everyday activities.

#### JOB POSTING!!

From Pourvoirie du Lac Rapide Inc. for a position of cook and General maintenance.

#### AT THE OFFICE!!!

An in-office contact list of employee's has been composed along with a coffee break time table for each employee.

A conversation was overheard by the Executive Director between an employee and Board Member concerning the Executive Director. The Executive Director gives written answers to the allegations made of her and both the overheard conversation and responses are

on file at the office.

A complaint letter was sent to all of the Board members from Eileen Cox for the reasons why she quit the H&SS project. The Executive Director also has written a letter to Wilson Evans, President of the Coasters Association in response to the allegations made about her. This information is also on file at the office.

#### THE BUSY EXECUTIVES ARE DECIDING AGAIN!!

- ▶ It was approved that Lenora Keats would complete the format of both the Youth and Joint Youth Projects.
- ▶ Also, Priscilla Griffin shall be paid for the completion of the Board Handbook and AGM minutes.
- ▶ It was decided that Sylvia be paid on May 12th for one week and her accumulated time be used for time spent at the hospital.
- ▶ Clara Ann Thomas will receive an extra five hours pay for training Susie Bilodeau on secretarial duties through the TAGS Program.
- ▶ The Executive felt that the office should be cleaned by the office staff

**PUBLIC REQUEST**

They are approached for assistance in the areas of H&SS, Education, General Information, etc.

**ANYONE REQUESTING FURTHER INFORMATION ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ISSUES, PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CONTACT ME AT THE OFFICE.**

Best regards!

**BELL MOBILITY**

Received information with regards to their service, rates, etc.

Cornella Maurice  
Executive Director

