



***La Société Historique de Coin-du-Banc    Corner of the Beach Historical Society***

***- News Letter -***

***Dear Friends,***

***We, the Directors of the Société Historique de Coin-du-Banc - Corner of the Beach Historical Society (SHCBHS), Shirley Mabe Boyle, Janet Harvey, and Alex Sunny Vibert, wish to thank you for your support in 2014. We also want to inform and excite you with plans for SHCBHS and the Corner of the Beach Cultural Center.***

***In addition to donations and memberships, we wish to acknowledge the following people who have made special contributions to SHCBHS :***

***Our treasurer, Ian MacMillan, for his help with financial management and budgeting.***

***Michelle Vibert Ceaser , for discovering that SHCBHS can be funded through UNITED WAY if the donor gives our charity number 846212975RR0001 as the charity to which he/she wishes to direct his/her donation. Note: Employed persons can do this through monthly payroll deductions.***

***Denise Ladouceur and Ann MacMillan, for their translation services and help in preparing a survey, which will be circulating to residents of Corner of the Beach and to individuals with connections to former residents, starting in June.***

***The Thompson and Fraser Families, for naming SHCBHS as the charity to which donations could be made in memory of Mrs. Margaret Lamb. Mrs. Lamb was a keen supporter of SHCBHS and a charming neighbour who will be greatly missed.***

***Earle Mabe and his friends for material and labour to restore the front section of the cemetery fence last October, and who plan to return in May to continue this work.***

***Alana Mabe, for undertaking the mapping of the cemetery, which will require using part of her vacation for the next two years or more.***

***Ajay Heble and Alain Chalifour and their committee, for their efforts to establish a musical improvisation camp that would use the museum building when in session.***

***Everyone, and especially Beverley Devouge, who has given pictures, documents and artifacts for the Museum, and Beulah (Vibert) Havis, for her commitment to prepare, research and install the same for viewing at the Cultural Museum starting in July. (Additional information or photos are always welcome).***

***WATCH FOR NOTICES OF the GRAND OPENING !***



*Last but not least, thanks to Pat Vibert and her committee, for convening a **QUILT SHOW** which will be held in the museum from **August 7-9, 2015**. There is still time for anyone wishing to display their handiwork to do so by contacting Pat by phone at 418-782-7049 or email at [patahaig@outlook.com](mailto:patahaig@outlook.com). The show promises to be a colourful display of quilted items, some of which will be for sale and raffled.*

*Finances continue to be a challenge! In addition to the annual insurance of approximately \$800, Hydro costs of approximately \$200 and mowing approximately \$600 (presently covered by a special fund set up in the 1960's), we have received a bill for accounting services \$1100. It was necessary to consult this firm to establish a financial system that would meet the reporting requirements of the federal and provincial governments. The cost is being appealed and hopefully, now that a system is in place, this will be less expensive going forward. A hearing with Provincial Officials will be held in Perce on Wednesday, May 6, 2015, at 9:30 am for an appeal of the need for SHCBHS to pay property tax. Another urgent priority is the re-shingling of the museum roof which was not completed when the remainder of the roof was done a few years ago and now is critical.*

*Part of the lease agreement between SHCBHS and the Anglican Diocese of Quebec includes the maintenance of St. Luke's cemetery. The present \$600 annual cost of mowing is shown above and the fund, which presently pays for that, is fast depleting. In addition to mowing there is maintenance of the fence and tombstones. Therefore, we are urgently appealing to the relatives of those buried in the cemetery, who are not already contributing, to please donate to SHCBHS to assist with these expenses. There are people buried there who have living children and grandchildren, who by now must number in the hundreds! If each descendent gave five or ten dollars a year the cemetery expenses would be easily covered.*

*Everyone is invited to attend the annual general meeting of SHCBHS which will take place in the museum on or about Friday, July 10, 2015. Watch for the announcement in GoGaspe.com, the Spec, Pharrillon and on our website.*

*We thank our present donors for their generosity and ask for your continued support. As well, we appeal for the additional support of those wishing to see this heritage building remain in its present location as a landmark of Corner of the Beach.*

*Sincerely,*

*Shirley Boyle*

*Janet Harvey*

*Alex Vibert*

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