



Municipalité de/Municipality of SHEENBORO

SHEENBORO, QUEBEC J0X 2Z0

Mayor's Newsletter

January 2013

Winter is upon us in Sheenboro earlier this year than last year. We have had a lot of snow, freezing rain and mild temperatures which have made the roads difficult at times. The snowplowing has been quite good in the last three weeks. Billy is monitoring the roads to ensure that they are well maintained. We have had a number of Hydro outages and some internet difficulties, however, the hydro seems to be fine now and most Internet has been restored.

A Historical first in Sheenboro

Father Beachey decided this year that he would celebrate the first midnight Christmas Eve service at St. Theresa of the Little Flower mission church at Fort William. The church was decorated for Christmas with candles and evergreen boughs. The choir was at its musical best with hymns sung in several languages including Algonquin. The church was packed with people from far and near. Some people had to stand for the service. Roy Perrault heated the church and snowplowed the road and parking area. Many others helped with the service and with the meal at the Church Hall in Sheenboro after the service. Tourtiere was enjoyed by many. There were four generations of my wife's family in attendance for the service and the meal. Thank you to all who helped make this such a special Christmas Eve in Sheenboro.

Historical Villages sign

A new sign has been installed beside the Gazebo in Sheenboro. It was a joint project with our Municipality, the MRC Pontiac and the provincial government. If you haven't stopped to look at it, please take the time, as it tells the history of our Village as well as having some historical pictures. Each municipality in the Pontiac has a similar sign so if you are interested you can stop and learn some History about each of the Villages and towns in the Pontiac.

COMPUTER TRAINING

Funding has been provided for Computer and Internet training at the CAP site here in Sheenboro through Industry Canada every day for the next three months. Chelsea's sessions can consist of internet training, researching and developing websites, drafting public materials, organizing information for special events, and providing technical support to all residents of Sheenboro and the Upper Pontiac. Please come to the CAP site to arrange some time to learn some new skills and reinforce skills you already have.

New Director General:

Don Marion officially retired as of December 31, 2012. Don worked for the municipality for 25 years. The new Director General/Secretary Treasurer is Mr. Fern Roy. He is currently the Director General for the Municipality of Waltham as well. He will be working at the Municipal Hall on Mondays.

Fire Department Information: Our Fire Chief would like to remind you that the fire truck requires fourteen (14) feet road clearance in order to access your home or cottage. Please check the width of your driveways to ensure that, if there is a fire, the truck is able to reach your residence. Check your chimneys as this is one of the main causes of house fires.

Please visit our municipal website on a regular basis for updates and events: <http://www.sheenboro.ca>
Contact Karen Shea (karensheagleason@gmail.com) if you would like to post events on our website.

Emergency Numbers: Report outages to Hydro Quebec 1-800-790-2424 (if using your home or cottage phone, press 9 for English, this service picks up your address from your telephone number; if you use a cell phone, press 9 for English and you will need to provide your civic address and postal code J0X 2Z0 or your Hydro Quebec account number, for the service to find your location. This is an automated service.

Contact Billy Brennan (office 819-689-5022 or cell 613-639-4976) for Building Permits.