## **OPENING HOURS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICES**

## MUNICIPALITY OF PORT-DANIEL—GASCONS

From Monday to Friday

8:00 to 12:00 – 1:00 to 4:00

Phone: 418 396-5225 Fax: 418 396-5588

## **GASCONS SERVICE POINT**

From Monday to Thursday

8:00 to 12:00 - 1:00 to 4:00

Closed on Friday

Phone: 418-396-5400 Fax: 418-396-2333

## **CLOSING OF OFFICE**

Please note that municipal offices will be closed on Monday, November 12, 2018 for

Remembrance Day

## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSIONS

Monday, november 12<sup>th</sup>: community hall in the LeGrand's House



## **NEXT PUBLICATION**

If you have announcements to publish in the next newsletter, please send them no later than December 7<sup>th</sup> by:

Fax: 418-396-2333 (identified for the municipal bulletin)

Email: gascons@munpdg.ca

Mail: 494, route 132, Port-Daniel QC G0C 2N0 (Identified for municipal bulletin, clearly legible)

In person, at the Point de services de Gascons

(At 63A, Route 132 O, Gascons)

## The municipal



# Port-Daniel-Gascons

**UN MEILLEUR AVENIR POUR TOUS** 

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In order to provide a better service to citizens, the municipality invites you to communicate to the respective municipal councillor, any problem that may arise in your districts (ex: removing snow for road, stray dogs, ditches unclean, street lights etc.)

District #1 : Hartley Lepage

Téléphone: (418) 689-0848

District #2 : Mireille Langlois

Téléphone: (418) 396-2745

District #3 : Denis Langlois

Téléphone : (418) 752-4157

District #4 : Marc-Aurèle Blais

Téléphone: (418) 680-2918

District #5 : Marie-Ève Allain

Téléphone: (418) 396-5530

District #6 : Sylvie Blais

Téléphone: (418) 396-2304

Mayor: Henri Grenier

Téléphone: (418) 751-3156



## Walking Club

The walking club LES JOYEUX RANDONNEURS from Port-Daniel - Gascons resumes its weekly outings, Saturdays at 9:00.

The meeting place is set each week and the information is transmitted either by telephone or by email. The duration of the course varies between an hour and an hour and a half, depending on the capacity of the walkers.

With the snow coming, we will put on snowshoes to meet new challenges. The good mood will always be there. It's free. Welcome everyone.

For information: Marcel (418-680-3664) Robert: (418-396-3013) Claire (418-396-2833)





## The Community garden

For lack of succession to form a new Board of Directors, the Community Garden of the Old Convent of Gascons inc. was forced to terminate its ASSOCIATION status and proceed with the liquidation of its assets.

At the Annual General Meeting held last August 20th, it was decided to send a delisting request to the Registraire des entreprises and proceed with the distribution of the acquired assets. The shed and tools are returned to the municipality, the decorative objects at Circles Farmers and a sum of \$ 2,250 is distributed equally between the following 5 organizations: the youth house ENVOLÉE; LA SOUCHE Outdoor Center; the Circle of Farmers; the Gascons Church and the collective kitchen.

It is with regret and sadness that the members came to this decision. This does not mean, however, that it will no longer be possible to garden there. The people who wish it will be able to do it after agreement with THE CHURCH, owner of the ground and with the MUNICIPALITY, owner of the equipment.

We sincerely hope that the taste for gardening will intensify in our environment and I remain available to answer the questions raised by this decision.

Claire Roussy, former president and liquidator.

Phone: 418-396-2833

## **COLLECTIVE KITCHEN**

It is harvest time. We cook little dishes and try new recipies. The collective kitchen of Port-Danie-Gascons has been open since mid-september. For more information: Viviane Huard 418-396-5661

## A word from the Mayor



Dear citizens,

At the time of writing these lines, I cannot help but think of the beautiful and wonderful summer season that we have known!

It all started with the Saint-John the Baptist party, which we celebrated with a bonfire on the beach in front of the Maison LeGrand, under a starry sky and a warm weather. During the summer, our cultural and family space was very lively with its eleven (11) musical shows. The Fishing and RockNRide Festival was successful, the beach volleyball Tournament was a success and took place under a radiant sunshine and the painting Symposium attracted many artists and visitors and was up to our expectations!

We have chosen to make Port-Daniel-Gascons a most attractive, inviting and welcoming municipality. Work has begun and will continue for the next few years.

First, I would like to inform you that we have acquired three new trucks, a new backhoe, a mechanical broom and a brush cutter, equipment needed to maintain our 110 km of secondary and forest roads

You have probably noticed the paving and upgrading of many of our municipal roads. In this regard, I would like to inform you that our investments are supported by governmental financial assistance of the order of 75 and 90 percent for most of our work. Starting next summer, all of our municipal roads will be lined in the center and on the sides, so that they are safer.

Starting this fall, we are going out on a tender for the repair of the sidewalks and the wharf near the tourist kiosk.





In the case of the aqueduct and sewer of the Gascons sector, the call for tenders for plans and specifications for construction has been launched. The file goes forward, we follow the steps and the population will be informed, in a timely manner, of the progress of the project. Before work begins, we plan to meet the population on at least two occasions.

For the Anse-à-la-Barbe wharf, we received correspondence from Fisheries and Oceans Canada, indicating that the analysis of our applications will be completed by the end of the current year. Afterwards, a meeting will be held with the municipal council and if all is to the satisfaction of the municipality, the work should begin and end in the spring of 2020.

On the conversion of the former Port Daniel arena into a municipal garage and fire station, we received bids for the building work and the upgrading and paving of parking and roads access All is in analysis for financial assistance and a project cost more or less of \$ 3 million, everything tells us that we must be eligible for a subsidy more or less of 2.1 million.

Other projects are also either under preparation or execution such as the seniors' residence and the expansion and renovation of the multifunctional center in the Gascons sector.

Finally, I am able to inform you that our firm of evaluators has completed its work in the McInnis Cement file and that we will soon know the result, unofficially, I would like to tell you that the indications are excellent and these new tax revenues will allow us to positively see the advancement of our municipality.

Finally, I join the members of the municipal council and the employees to wish you a beautiful autumn!

Henri Grenier, Mayor

## CLUB DES 50 ANS ET + « LA RENAISSANCE »

Regular club activities -

The next afternoon of amateurs: Sunday at 13:30

October 21st and November 18th

Monday: at 19:00; sandbag game (pockets)

Tuesday: afternoon for the ladies (bingo, cards, etc.)

Tuesday: at 19:00: pétanque-trump

Wednesday: from 18h30 to 20h30: country dance lessons

Thursday: at 8 pm: military whist

Wholesale Military Whist: Thursday, November 22, 2018 at 8:00 pm Every Saturday: dance with Carol and Carolle from 9 pm until midnight

Traditional dinner of the club

Date: Sunday, December 16, 2018

Time: 17h00 (dinner)

Dinner will be followed by a dance party

Information: Danielle Proulx and / or

Gabrielle Langlois



President: Gilles Langlois (418-680-4467)

Vice President: Raphaël McInnis (418-396-2715)

## CLUB DES 50 ANS ET + « L'ÉTOILE DE LA MER »

The next afternoon of amateurs: Sunday at 13:00

November 4 and December 2, 2018

Location: Gascons Multifunctional Room

Orchestra: The Friends

Regular club activities -

Monday: at 13:30 to 15:30 screening and at 18:00 Gym Brain

Tuesday: at 18:00; bocce-asset

Wednesday: 1 pm the little bingo

Thursday: at 1 pm; sandbag game

Friday; regular military whist



Traditional dinner of the club

Date: Sunday, December 9, 2018

Location: Multifunctional Center

Time: 5:30 pm (dinner)

Dinner will be followed by a dance party

To obtain a card for dinner, please contact Mr. Gilles Grenier, President of the Club of

50 and + 418-396-5304

Welcome to all!

Come and have fun welcome to all

## A Word from Alexandre Rail, McInnis Cement Vice President Operations

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Good day!

I am happy to share with you some recent moments that filled me with pride, as you will see when reading this message!

From day one when we started developing this project, the entire McInnis team set the bar very high in terms of quality. We wanted to offer our customers an exceptional product and become the benchmark of our industry in North America. It is an ambitious as well as demanding goal, it goes without saying, nonetheless essential to favorably position our new company in very competitive markets. Now that the plant has been running smoothly since Spring 2018, after the first months commissioning period, I had the chance to accompany my sales colleagues to meet our customers. It's also part of our signature, at McInnis, to be available and attentive, helping to set us apart from the competition. The



testimonials heard speak for themselves: very quickly, the cement produced here in Port-Daniel—Gascons has established itself as THE BENCHMARK, the best cement on the New York market! And it is not we who say this but rather the message circulating amongst our customers! Having worked so hard to design, build, start and operate this state-of-the-art plant, these messages confirming that we have attained our target, have been heartwarming to me and are also welcomed with great joy by the entire plant team!

### A Million Tonnes of Cement!



Another great source of pride for the entire team: on August 31<sup>st</sup>, we reached the milestone of the first million tonnes of cement produced at the plant! One million! It's very symbolic! And it's the first of 100 million tonnes of capacity to come! So we chose to celebrate this important milestone this week with our employees, our suppliers and a few customers who were visiting the plant sharing a meal in the cafeteria. Mayor Grenier was also with us, and it is with pleasure that we presented him with a set of souvenir drinking glasses bearing the image of this event. We presented him along with our President and CEO, Jean Moreau, and my sales colleagues Tony Sneska, covering the United States, and Francis Forlini, who covers Canada. Do not be surprised if you see these drinking glasses at City Hall!

See you soon!

Alexandre Rail, Vice-President, Operations Port-Daniel-Gascons McInnis Cement



## A new program of the Société d'habitation du Québec



A new program of the Société d'habitation du Québec is aimed at small businesses and local services to improve physical access for people with disabilities or reduced mobility.

Do you operate a small retail business or provide professional services or community services (accounting firm, hair salon, restaurant, communi-

ty hall, etc.)?

Through the Small and Accessible Business Program of the Société d'habitation du Québec, you could receive up to \$ 15,000 in grants to make your establishment accessible to people with disabilities or reduced mobility.

Examples of work that can be done: adding a landing stage, installing an access ramp, installing electric door openers, widening doors, etc.

INFORMATION: Luce Thériault, Development Officer ULRS GIM 418-388-2121 luce.theriault@urlsgim.com





## **EDITION 2018**

## **A GREAT SUCCESS**

The organizing committee would like to thank all visitors, Municipal Employees for their availability, organizations that have

contributed financially in money or services: the old convent Gym and the family policy Program.

Thank you for all our major partners: The municipality of Port-Daniel-Gascons, The CLD of Rocher-Percé, Ciment McInnis, the Regroupement des Caisses Desjardins Centre sud Gaspésien, the SADC of Rocher-Percé, TVA, CHNC radio, the Motels de l'Anse and the deputy Mr. Sylvain Roy.

Thank you to all our companies who contributed to the success of this event: CHAU-TVA - le Pharillon newspaper-Transgaspésien - TéléVag - Bleu FM - Radio Gaspésie - Marché Richelieu D & T Langlois - Marché Dor'É - Marché C Huard - L'Étale restaurant - Jean-Coutu Pharmacies Jean-François Bourdage Gascons-Paspébiac - Construction de la Rivière Port-Daniel - Construction MTR Levesque Inc. de Port-Daniel - Furniture Assels de Port-Daniel - l'Imprimerie des Anses - Navigue.com - COOP IGA de Chandler - Cie Molson - Richard Deraiche notary - San'hy Pro - Transport concassés Denis Langlois - Dépanneur P.M. - Pêcherie Hugues Roussy - Renée Claude Lagacé, graphic designer - Dépanneur Michel - Grenier, Grenier, lawyers - Garage Daniel Langlois - Centre Rénovation Port-Daniel - Casse-croûte du Havre - Nadeau Matériaux construction - - Garage Gaétan McInnis - Pharmacie Uniprix Chandler.

## Finally a special THANK YOU to all our volunteers.

Thanks to all of you, partners, sponsors and volunteers, the 2018 edition was a great success. . We are meeting for the 2019 edition, under the honorary presidency of Mr. Ovila David Huard of Valleyfield.

For the organizing commitee

Réjeanne Grenier, coordonnatrice



The members of the organizing committee of the Arts Weekend Symposium would like to thank all those who contributed to the great success of the 2018 edition, which was held from September 13 to 16, 2007.

As a thank you for the church loan, we will give a check in the amount of \$ 1,500 to the Fabrique de Port-Daniel for the maintenance of his church. In addition, the committee assumed the full household cost of the church for approximately \$ 500.

The lucky winner of the painting of Honorary President Nicole Bolduc of New Richmond is Mrs. Juliette Langlois from Port-Daniel. The winner of

the half / half is Mrs. Jocelyne McInnis of Chandler. We gave a nice amount of \$ 546 to the winner.

The favorite prize of the public professional category, the public voted for Mr. Ovila David Huard of Valley-field.

The favorite prize of the public category semi-professional and up, the public voted for Mrs. Monique Dumas Quesnel, co-owner of the G'Art of Port-Daniel.

The public favorite amateur-artisan prize, the public voted for Mrs. Armande Parise de Gascons

Professional artists only had to vote for the price boost, the artist who stands out for his work:

Category semi-professional, professional artists voted for Conrad Legere of Caraquet.

Category amateur-artisan, professional artists voted for Armande Parisé de Gascons.

## Congratulations to all these winners.

The financial report will be deposited with City Council as soon as it is completed.



Improving access to small businesses and local services promotes the social and economic development of a community. In the end, the entire population benefits!

## **ELIGIBILITY**

The program is intended for homeowners or tenants of small establishments that are not legally required to provide the premises for accessibility to persons with disabilities.

Brief description of the institutions eligible for the program:

- \* commercial establishment (shop, shop, market, etc.) with a total floor area of at most 300 m2;
- \* business establishment providing on-site service to the public (doctor's office, dental practice, accounting firm, hairdressing or beauty salon, etc.) and located in a building of more than 2 floors;
- \* Establish a meeting where people come together to consume food or drink, or to engage in community activities (church basement, community hall, restaurant, etc.).

For more details on the program or to check your eligibility for it. you can refer to the PEA program page on the SHQ website (in the Programs tab).



## Hello everyone,

It is with a pride that I can tell you mission accomplished for the first edition of The Open Gaspesian. It was a memorable weekend; it will remain engraved in our memories. The weather was at the rendezvous, the athletes dazzled us by their agility and their talent. They made us go through all the range of emotion with spectacular exchanges.

Finally, I can already assure you that the City Council and I will do everything in our power to ensure that the second edition is still successful. The athletes present at the tournament have already confirmed their interests to come back next year and others who were not there want to participate. The event will only grow in popularity, let's be proud.

Éric Huard Directeur Loisirs, Culture et Tourisme



What a beautiful summer we spent in the cultural and family space, the weather was at the rendezvous for the first edition of Wednesday's Musical.

Of the nine shows, only the one of August 22 had to be moved to the arena Marco Sebastien Cyr de Gascons.

For this first edition, just over 7,000 people attended the musical performances, I congratulate you.

In closing, I would like to thank our sponsors once again: *Ciment McInnis*Caisse populaire du centre-sud Gaspésien

Motel de l'anse

Les meubles Assels

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Ace centre de rénovation Port-Daniel

See you next year.

Éric Huard, Directeur Loisirs, Culture et Tourisme