



A.P.E.L. St-Joseph  
C.P. 294, St-Adolphe-d'Howard, QC  
J0T 2B0

St-Adolphe d'Howard le 28 mai 2008

Dear Fellow Member of APEL St-Joseph,

I would like to thank you for renewing your membership in, or becoming a new member of, APEL St-Joseph. By doing so you are demonstrating your willingness to join us in preserving and protecting our lake and its environment.

I would especially like to mention the great generosity of many of you who made a donation to APEL St-Joseph to assist in the work of the association. I want to thank you personally and also on behalf of all the members of the executive for your additional contribution. If any other members wish to be included among our numerous donors, it is not too late to send in your donation.

For those few members who have not yet renewed for 2008, we ask that you don't delay as this will be our last written reminder. Your support is essential if you want the association to continue working for the protection of Lac St-Joseph.

For those who were unable to attend the annual general meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup> we have outlined some of the key points below:

- Three new members have joined the executive. Robert Campeau, Paul Lecavalier and Alexandre Montini have joined the 5 current board members: Serge Roberge, President; Anne-Marie Rio and Denis Wolff, Vice Presidents; Colin Lewis, Treasurer; and Josée Durocher, Secretary. The executive will certainly benefit from the knowledge and experience of our three new board members;
- The association will continue testing the water of the lake to determine if our water quality is improving, is remaining stable, or is deteriorating. This year the association will receive an additional grant of \$1 000 from the municipality to help with the testing. We are very pleased that the municipality is responding positively to our requests for additional funding;
- Sani-Laurentides is offering a reduced rate to all APEL members who wish to have their septic tanks cleaned this year. The company has set aside two dates for APEL members: Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> and September 13<sup>th</sup>. To take advantage of this offer you should call Mme Filiatrault at 819-327-2706 or 1-800-663-7264 and make an appointment;
- On June 7<sup>th</sup> the municipality is holding a theme day on the environment in concert with 'neighbours' day (La Fête des Voisins). There will be a presentation by Mr. Benoit Bertrand on shoreline renewal and improvement. We urge all members to attend;
- For those who need advice or have work to do on their shoreline, la Pépinière Rustique, a St Adolphe company owned by Benoit Bertrand, specializes in shoreline renewal. There were information pamphlets available at the annual general meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup> for all members. It is possible to obtain the information at the company's web site <http://www.pepiniererustique.com/>;
- The web site of the association (<http://www.apel-stjoseph.com/>) will be improved during the summer and, among other things, the water test results will be posted on the site;
- APEL has arranged for a publicity pamphlet to be handed out to the 600 or so boat owners when they go to the municipality to obtain their motor boat permits. The pamphlet will invite permit holders to join APEL St-Joseph. A copy of the publication is included;



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- In a similar vein, the executive encourages all of our members to recruit one new member during the year. If everyone succeeds, the strength and influence of the association will increase;
- The association is in negotiation with the municipality to erect two permanent wooden signs, one at the public boat access and the other at Plage Belisle. The signs will remind boat owners of the fragility of the lake and ask them to respect the lake environment.

I wish you a good summer and don't hesitate to communicate with the association if you wish to discuss a specific subject or particular issues.

Yours truly,

Serge Roberge  
Président  
APEL St-Joseph.  
<http://www.apel-stjoseph.com/>

p.j. Registration sheet  
Advertising of the association



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### Registration 2008-2009

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Permanent address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_  
Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address in St-Adolphe: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Cottage \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell. \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**ANNUAL DUES :**

**35 \$**

**Donation :**

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|  | <b>10 \$</b>   |
|  | <b>20 \$</b>   |
|  | <b>25 \$</b>   |
|  | <b>30 \$</b>   |
|  | <b>40 \$ +</b> |

**Total : \_\_\_\_\_**

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**If the health of your lake interests you,  
join A.P.E.L. St-Joseph**

#### Goals

To recruit and involve residents and/or users of Lac St-Joseph

- in the protection of the water
- in the protection of the lake environment
- in the education of our young people about the environment

#### Mission

- ❖ To represent the residents of Lac St-Joseph to the municipality
- ❖ To establish and maintain contact with the associations of neighbouring lakes
- ❖ To keep members informed about the health of Lac St-Joseph