



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

St-Adolphe d'Howard le 20 mai 2009

Dear Fellow Member of APEL lac St-Joseph,

I would like to thank you for renewing your membership in, or becoming a new member of, APEL Lac 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 over and above your membership dues. These funds will support the work of the Association. I want to thank you personally and also on behalf of all the members of the executive. 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 2009 we ask that you act quickly 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 16th we have outlined some of the key points below:

- The Association has unveiled a new strategy to increase our visibility. We will provide all members with an APEL membership sign which can be affixed to a dock or some other outdoor surface. This sign will show our pride in being involved in the protection of Lac St-Joseph. The signs come in two sizes, 6"x 5" and 9"x 7". We invite all our members to drop by the Association's kiosk during Environment and Neighbours Day, Saturday, June 6th at Adolphe-Jodoin park to pick up their sign.
- The Association has made an official request to the municipality to disallow motorized boats during the kayak traverse of the three lakes (Théodore, Ste-Marie and St-Joseph) on August 22nd for the duration of the crossing.

After numerous comments gathered from last year's participants APEL decided that to ensure participants' safety during this activity the municipality should actively promote this ban. Incidentally, APEL du lac Ste-Marie has joined us in making this request to the municipality.

- The Association will continue testing the water of the lake to determine whether our water quality is improving, remaining stable, or deteriorating. Again this year the Association should receive a \$1000 grant from the municipality to help with the testing costs.
- The web site of the association (<http://www.apel-stjoseph.com/>) has been improved and, among other things, our water test results are now posted on the site.
- The executive encourages all of our members to recruit one new member during the year. If everyone succeeds, the strength and influence of our association will increase.
- Three members of the executive were re-elected for another two-year term and another member joined the executive bringing our total on the 2009-2010 executive council to nine.
- Our executives will study the political programs of the different parties running in the municipal elections this fall to evaluate their positions on the protection of the environment of Lac St-Joseph.



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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 issue.

Yours truly,

Serge Roberge
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Advertising of the association



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Registration 2009-2010

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

ANNUAL DUES :

35 \$

Donation :

	10 \$
	20 \$
	25 \$
	30 \$
	40 \$ +

Total : _____

**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