

Flipping pancakes and raising funds



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On Saturday, Sept. 20, the Mis-
siquoi North Volunteer Centre
Partage/Share committee held a
pancake breakfast to raise money for the
centre's food bank. The event was held
in the Mansonville Town Hall from 9- 11
a.m. where Partage/Share committee
members and other enthusiastic volun-
teers gathered to flip pancakes, prepare
fresh fruit and welcome the public.

66 people attended the pancake
breakfast however 90 tickets were sold in
advance.

Although a final amount has not
been tallied yet, the committee expects
that after expenses, the profits will be
approximately, \$650.

Fawn Patch, the Reilly House man-

ager, attended the event and she pre-
sented the Partage/Share committee
with a cheque for \$150, the profits raised
from a used cookbook sale held in the
summer at the Reilly House to benefit
the food bank. This generous donation
was received with many thanks by the
committee members present.

As part of the volunteer centre, the
mandate of the Partage/Share commit-
tee is to help provide essential food and
household consumables where need ex-
ists in the community. The committee
collects food and money throughout the
year for Christmas baskets and requests
that come from the public in times of
need.

Partage/Share does not get any grants
or financial assistance from the govern-
ment therefore all their funding comes
from donations by individuals and busi-
nesses.

"We couldn't do this without the sup-
port of the community," said Norma Clif-
ford, Partage/Share chairperson.

"We appreciate every donation re-
gardless of the amount and we thank all
who purchased tickets for the pancake
breakfast. Also, a big thank you to the
volunteers who helped with the event
making it both a success and a joyous
gathering of community minded peo-



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From left, David Stirling (volunteer), Norma Clifford (Partage/Share Chairperson) and Perry Hicks (volunteer) all smiles while flipping pancakes for a good cause.

ple," she added.

If you would like to donate to the
Partage/Share food bank or if you would
like more information about the pro-
gram, contact the volunteer centre at
450-292-3114 or visit their website at
www.cabmn.org.

Buffet offers free lunch for seniors

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There's an old saying that there's
no such thing as a free lunch, but
it doesn't hold true for seniors
this Wednesday at Sherbrooke's Buffet
des Continents, where seniors are in-
vited to dine free from 11 a.m. until to
2:30 p.m. in recognition of National Se-
niors Day.

Golden agers can lunch for 'free' in
exchange for a donation to the Maison
Aube Lumière.

All donations will go directly to the
Maison Aube-Lumière, Sherbrooke's
private nonprofit hospice that hosts
terminal cancer patients free of
charge.

Its mission is to provide quality pal-
liative care and support for families in
a harmonious atmosphere. The overall
approach is to satisfy the physical, psy-
chological, social, and spiritual needs
of those in its care, and to provide as-
sistance and support to families and
individuals hit by grief.

"Organizations that help seniors
should also be supported in their ac-
tions. Needs are growing in Quebec as
life expectancy increases. In this con-
text, it is important to support organi-
zations that provide help, support,
meals, and recreational activities for
the seniors who helped build the soci-
ety we live in today," said Buffet des
Continents owner Tony Commatas.

The Buffet des Continents has
branches in Quebec, Trois-Rivières,
Sherbrooke, Gatineau, and Mas-
couche, and each will be supporting
work in their region with the dona-
tions raised.

Since its inception, more than 15
years ago, the Buffet des Continents
chain has been heavily involved in its
communities to support charities and
social, sporting, and community ac-
tivities.

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