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## Sutton Curling Club hosts St. Patty's bonspiel

By Olivia Ranger-Enns

On March 20, Sutton's curling team was already alit and glowing with St. Patrick's decorations by 8 a.m. Just in time to kick start the fifth season of Sutton's St. Patrick's bonspiel, known to insiders as "THE funspiel", this event attracted up to nine curling teams and 20 non-curlers who came to watch the games.

Volunteer Dora Shepard was all smiles and glitter, dressed as she was to the nines in bright green pants, a felt hat, and clover-imprinted suspenders. By 9 a.m., she was greeting newcomers with hot cups of coffee and doughnuts before setting up the lunch tables with green teddy bears and balloons.

Club President John Salisbury whet his whistle with a glass of green beer before hitting the ice with his team in the morning and entertaining guests with

club member John Hawley at lunch with some traditional Irish airs. As for Dora Shepard, she busied herself serving up piping hot servings of beef stew with bread and desserts such as mint-green Nanaimo bars. Guests then celebrated in true St. Patrick style with Irish coffees and green beers served at the bar.

Shepard was quick to note the importance of community and of communal giving and sharing at such an event.

"We get so many people involved who just want to help out at our fundraiser," said Shepard, who hoped to raise about \$1,000 at the end of the day. "For instance, the vegetables for the stew were donated by a local store, Alban Houle et Fils, the rest of the food was donated by Dora and Fern Tomaschat, and all the desserts were homemade and brought by club members or their friends." Even

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OLIVIA RANGER-ENNS

Standing from left to right: James Green-Tasse, Marie-Kristin Ethier, Lorne Allen, John Salisbury and Victor Duncan. Kneeling from left to right: Alan Morley, Vincent Lengacher and Yanik Houle.

## Walking down Memory Lane with Laura and Ralph

By Mable Hastings

The fundraising event to benefit the Mansonville Anglican Church held on

Saturday evening, March 12 featuring Laura Teasdale and Ralph Steiner could not have been a bigger success. The duo took the opportunity to take those in attendance on a walk down Memory Lane that encompassed their lives before

portraying Patsy Cline and Hank Williams through the experience to their present day projects. The show was filled with tunes that told the story of the music they enjoyed growing up, songs that brought them together, and

a wonderful taste of the music performed in both the Patsy Cline tribute show and the Hank Williams story, as well as "Honky Tonk Blue" penned by Teasdale and performed by the duo. Although the Hank and Patsy show has been revived in a variety of ways, Laura is quick to note that, while they enjoy playing the two country music greats, they do also enjoy doing other things. The two are extremely active in the theatre and both have a variety of musical projects in Lac Brome and surrounding areas.

The crowd of over 100 ranged in ages from 1 to 80-plus and by evening's end, close to \$1,000 was raised toward the St. Paul's Anglican Church of Mansonville building fund. The event was made possible through a grant from the Anglican Diocese of Montreal G.U.M. grant.

Following the performance, the

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