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## Weather



TODAY:  
CLOUDY

HIGH OF 21  
LOW OF 12



TUESDAY:  
CLOUDY

HIGH OF 26  
LOW OF 9



WEDNESDAY:  
MIX OF SUN  
AND CLOUDS

HIGH OF 20  
LOW OF 8



THURSDAY:  
SUNNY

HIGH OF 18  
LOW OF 7



FRIDAY:  
CLOUDY

HIGH OF 16  
LOW OF 5

# Second hand jewellery makes for a first rate fundraiser for new Youth Centre Music room



## THE SCOOP

### MABLE HASTINGS

For the past few years, the Missisquoi North Youth Centre in Potton has been holding second hand jewellery, purse and scarf sales as fundraisers for the youth programs there. Thanks to the generous donations from people in the community and beyond, the treasures donated by others have brought in an average of \$500.00 per sale. The funds help the centre to offer extra programming, to purchase equipment and have contributed to special activities for the youth.

On Saturday, September 24 from 9am to 3:00pm the Youth Centre located at 282 Principale in Mansonville will be holding another big sale and have added items to their list of goodies to purchase. Again, a wide selection of jewellery has been donated as well as purses and scarves but you can also get bargain prices on music cds, movie dvds, books, knick knacks...

"I refresh my jewellery every time there is a sale," said one regular customer. "I get compliments at work and laugh to myself as it is typically something I purchased for only a couple of dollars."

Donations of jewellery and purses were been received from other communities including: Cowansville, Sutton, Knowlton, East Bolton and Potton with other goodies from places as far away as Ottawa and Montreal also coming in.

"We had a call from a woman in Cowansville who read it on Facebook," said organizers. "She wanted to help the youth and called us to arrange pick up."

It is the kindness of people like that that makes the sales possible and while organizers are pretty sure that the Potton area has been wiped clean of any extra bobbles, kind folk from other towns seem more than happy to give and support the kids. There are still people in Potton who have given numerous times that are still coming in and donating.

The Youth Centre accepts donations at any time and will arrange pick up for jewellery, purses and scarves, you need only email: [m.hastings@cabmn.org](mailto:m.hastings@cabmn.org) or call 450-292-4886.

The funds raised from this weekend's sale will help the Centre to pay expenses for the newly added "Ma's Music Room" now located in the basement of the centre. The Music Room will not only allow youth who enjoy jamming to do so but will also allow for the recording of mu-

sical talent and events. "Ma's Music Room" received funding through donations made in memory of Clarissa (Ma) Davis and a fundraising concert held through the generosity and talents of the Pot Pourri Choir. Already slightly over budget with more to be done, it is hoped that the Saturday Sale will help with these costs.

"We cannot thank all of those who have donated in the past, those who donated this time and those who will donate in the future enough for their generosity," said Youth Centre staff. "We had no idea when we started doing these sales how successful they would be."

The Former Youth Involvement (FYI) will also be holding a bake sale at the centre that day to raise money for the Youth Centre's Annual Haunted House held at Halloween. Many yummy desserts and goodies will be on sale.

There is still time to donate jewellery, purses, scarves, books, movies and music. If you have something to give, please contact Mable at the above email address or number. The group does not accept large items as the stuff must be stored after for future sales and they do not have room for furniture etc. Furniture donations are welcomed at the Reilly House however by contacting Fawn Patch at 450-292-3109.

Don't miss the sale this Saturday in Mansonville and remember that you are helping the youth programs by supporting this event.



PHOTOS BY MABLE HASTINGS

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