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Weather



60% CHANCE OF SHOWERS

HIGH OF -8 LOW OF -16



TUESDAY: MIX OF SUN AND CLOUDS

HIGH OF -6 LOW OF -15



PERIODS OF

WEDNESDAY:

HIGH OF -7 LOW OF -12



THURSDAY: CLOUDY



HIGH OF -7 LOW OF -20



FRIDAY: **60% CHANCE** OF FLURRIES

HIGH OF -14 LOW OF -23

Young leaders introduce community to "Fabulous Girl"



THE SCOOP

MABLE HASTINGS

tand back Superman and Wonder Woman, there's a new superhero in town and her name is "Fabulous

The Missisquoi North Youth Centre (CAB) young leadership group made up of girls ages 6-12 is funded by a grant received from the Canada Post Foundation and the Scowen Family Foundation. The group is just one of the leadership programs that meet weekly on Saturdays at the Youth Centre in Mansonville. The message is simple, "I'm FABULOUS and

The group has been meeting since September and a variety of topics are discussed and solutions come from the girls themselves. For the past while the young leaders have been focusing on the issue of bullying and intimidation. The girls decided to create a new superhero and they had t-shirts made that they hope will inspire other kids to stop bullying. The message also serves as a reminder to the girls themselves to remain conscious of their own behavior and to try and catch themselves before participating when others are being targeted.

"We're fabulous," said Kate Eldridge, a member of the group. "But, the person who might be bullying others is also fabulous, we just have to make them aware

of that and encourage positive behavior."



The aim of the program is to help the girls feel good about who they are and emphasizing a positive self-esteem. This enables each girl to then contribute to the group and support others in it and eventually, this may extend to schoolmates, family, friends and the community at large.

The girls admit that they are not perfect and that they often find themselves



opinions are shared eagerly and without hesitation. Advice, compassion, understanding and the occasional words of disappointment are shared in a variety of discussions and the sharing of experiences. There is a circle check each week and with girls from three different schools attending, there is usually a lot to discuss.

'Fabulous Girl" will likely be appearing in future projects by the leadership group and while her superhero abilities are something one has to learn and practice, this may just make for a very real model for young girls to emulate. There will no doubt be setbacks but there are many triumphs too and as these girls change, blossom and grow, their fabulousness flourishes.

Two seriously injured in Ste-Catherine-de-Hatley collision

Record Staff

wo people were injured Friday in a collision between a car and a pickup truck Friday morning in Sainte-Catherine-de-Hatley, on the overpass

According to reports, the truck crashed into the passenger side of the other vehicle and the two occupants of the car were trapped inside for several

First responders worked for about 45 minutes with the Jaws of Life to rescue the two, who suffered serious, but not life-threatening, injuries.

The accident occurred a little before

Ben by Daniel Shelton







