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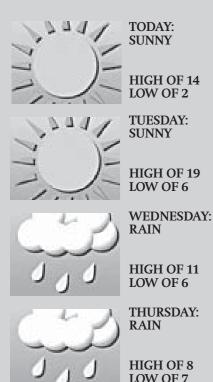
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Thile it may seem impossible to control the garbage and debris accumulated in the roadside ditches, the Municipality of the township of Potton is extending a warm welcome to any citizens interested in helping to keep their corner of the world a little nicer to look at and enjoy. On Saturday, April 28 volunteers are asked to gather in Park Manson at 8:00am for ditch cleaning day!

"Everyone meets in the park (or the town hall if the weather is not agreeable) at 8:00am," explained Claire Alger-Administrative Secretary for the Municipality of Potton. "We serve a variety of muffins, yogurt, juice and coffee before all of us head out on our mission to beautify Potton," she added.

Each year different roads are chosen to focus on and members of the Municipal council, employees and citizen volunteers who wish to join in the fun are divided into teams. Gloves, bags and reflective vests are distributed after the light breakfast and the teams are dispatched.

"It is important to wear the proper clothing, hat, shoes or boots," said Alger. "The conditions can be wet and volunteers will be walking and we highly sug-



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gest, depending on the weather, that rain gear or sunscreen be worn and stress the importance of everyone bringing their own water bottle."

At noon, the group returns to the park where the municipality will provide a light lunch of sandwiches, veggies, chips and homemade cookies and there will be a drawing for door prizes for all who participate.

If you are interested in registering to help with this event, call the Municipality at 450-292-3313 extension 0. The registration is merely to assist with the plan for breakfast, lunch and prizes.

"Any local organizations or citizens who would rather clean ditches on other roads not chosen by the Municipality

this year, are welcome to do so," stated Alger. "The Municipality will gladly furnish the bags and gloves and you may also attend the breakfast and lunch. However, it is important to register so we have an idea of the number of people attending."

The event will be postponed to Sunday April 29, 2018 only in the case of a heavy rainfall on Saturday.

Many hands make light work. With everyone doing their own small part, Potton's beauty will only be accentuated with the efforts made. This is not a "last ditch effort" but rather, a first step toward the welcoming of spring in one of the most beautiful townships in Quebec.



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