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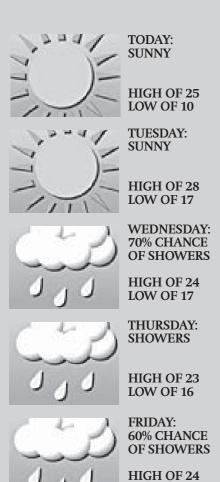
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## Familiprix 2462 celebrates its second year Anniversary in Potton with blood drive



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eptember will mark the second year Anniversary for the FamiliPrix 2462 in Potton and Pharmacist/owners, Cathy Riendeau and David R. Rousseau decided to mark the anniversary by holding a blood drive.

Hema Quebec will be present in one of their mobile units which is a modified RV to take blood from donors who have signed up by appointment. The blood drive will take place on September 6 from 1:00 to 7:00pm in the parking lot of the Pharmacy located on Rue Principale in Mansonville. The pharmacy is looking for 35 donors and anyone interested in giving blood must call the pharmacy to schedule a time slot to assure that all donors are accounted for. To donate blood, call the pharmacy at 579-441-

"This we felt was a way to give back," said Riendeau in an interview. "We are proud of the way the community has supported our Pharmacy and we strive to be active in finding ways to promote health and taking positive action to help

Riendeau and her partner, Rousseau



has implicated themselves in the community life in Potton supporting, volunteering and contributing to a variety of vents, causes and organizations.

'We want the community to know that we are not just a business," shared Rousseau. "We are invested in the community and the people we serve and we proudly participate and support community initiatives. We are proud to partner with Hema-Quebec to offer this blood drive in Potton."

For convenience, Hema-Quebec will be coming to Potton in their Mobile Blood Donation Unit which is a perfect cross between the GLOBULE Blood Donor Centres and a blood drive. It is 12.8 meters (42 feet long) equipped with two generators. It has a registration desk, two cubicles, five donation beds, a worktable, a refrigerator and a snack area with a fridge for donor refreshments.

According to its website, Hema-Quebec states that it makes donor and recipient safety its utmost priority and, therefore, establishes strict qualification criteria. The qualification criteria are reviewed and assessed on a regular basis. For more details, visit: www.hema-quebec.qc.ca

This initiative is to be applauded and I for one have signed up to donate blood. I look forward to seeing friends and neighbours who might choose to do the same. Rousseau and Riendeau hope that this will be one of many lifesaving initiatives organized by their FamiliPrix for many years to come.



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