

Minister of Canadian Heritage visits Potton's Round Barn



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On Thursdays, August 12, Steven Guilbeault, MP, Minister of Canadian Heritage and Lynne Bessette, MP Brome Missisquoi made a visit to Potton's Round Barn located at 323 rue Principale in Mansonville, where they were hosted by GBMP Ex-President, Hans Walser, GBMP President, Edith Smeesters, Lorraine Rouillard (President of the Potton Heritage Association) and Municipal Councillors, Jason Ball and Bruno Côté.

The Canadian Heritage contributed major grant funding to the project and it along with various fundraising campaigns and contributions from the MRC Memphremagog and

Municipality of Potton have resulted in the transformation and evolution in the resuscitation of the building making it a highlight for visitors along Mansonville's Main Street. Also the location of the weekly Public Market and varied educational, social and cultural exhibitions, the barn has found new life and purpose.

During the visit on August 12, those present were able to share with MP's Guilbeault and Bessette information on the transformation of the barn and the vision for the future. For the two members of parliament, this tour provided insight and assurance that the funds allotted for the project have been put to good use and that new life and celebration has been given to the barn recognizing its heritage, uniqueness and its value as a community gathering spot.

If you would like to contribute to this project and be a part of bringing the Round Barn, constructed by Robert E. Jersey in 1912, back to life and the pride of the Eastern Townships there is still much to be done, please contact: the Municipality of Potton at 450-292-3313 or Edith Smeesters (President of the GBMP) tel.: 450 292-0547 edithsmeesters@gmail.com



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Lynne Bessette, Hans Walser (GBMP Ex-President), Bruno Côté, Jason Ball, Steven Guilbeault, Lorraine Rouillard (president of Potton Heritage Association), Edith Smeesters (GBMP President)

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Vincent Duhamel new conservative candidate for Brome–Missisquoi



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Erin O'Toole, leader for the Conservative Party of Canada, announced the candidacy of Vincent Duhamel in the federal riding of Brome–Missisquoi for the next federal election.

Vincent Duhamel is President and Global Chief Operating Officer of Fiera Capital, an investment management firm. As a member of the global management team, he oversees the various functional units of the company around

the world, including the legal and compliance department, risk management, information technology, corporate communications, business and investor relations and human resources.

As a member of the Strategic Development Committee, he also plays a role in strategic acquisition projects, while overseeing the development of the firm outside of North America.

He also sits on the boards of directors of the divisions of Fiera Capital in Canada, the United States, Europe and of the Bel Air subsidiary.