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Weather



TODAY: PERIODS OF SNOW

HIGH OF-3 LOW OF -5



TUESDAY: **CLOUDY**

HIGH OF -3 LOW OF -9



WEDNESDAY: **SUNNY**

HIGH OF-1 LOW OF -12



THURSDAY: **SUNNY**

HIGH OF -3 LOW OF -2



FRIDAY:

HIGH OF 7 LOW OF -6

"Le Rucher Boltonnois" bistro donates tips to CABMN food bank



THE SCOOP

MABLE HASTINGS

n Dec. 14 Alain Déry President of the Rucher Boltonnois-Bolton Hive, a social economy non-profit organization created in February 2018 in Bolton-Est contacted the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CABMN) with some great

"During the East Bolton Public Markets of 2022," explained Dery, "we collected tips from the customers of the Bistro to donate to the CABMN to help finance its food bank. It is with great pleasure that we are presenting the sum of \$3,000 to the CABMN."

the Rucher (hive) is continuation of the "adopt a hive" project that was created in 2017 in Bolton-Est with the financial support of the municipality. It is the organizer of the Bolton-Est public market which takes place in a large tent in Park Terrio during the summer. The Rucher also operates the Bistro at the Market every Saturday.

During the Pandemic the Apiary enthusiasts got creative and started an online version of the Public Market. This was done to support local merchants gathering local products and making them available in one common place.

In 2020 the Rucher acquired

the building located at 2616 route Nicholas Austin through 100% citizen financing. This building now houses the Winter Bistro as well as the craft beer brewery, Brasse Serre.

"The generosity of the Bistro visitors is considerable," said Dery in reference to the phenomenal amount being donated in support of the Food Bank. "The Rucher is inspired by the collective strength of bees to carry out great projects, one small drop of nectar at a time," he added.

Alain Dery and his volunteers are well known for their community efforts, support and hard work. The Bolton-Est public market and bistro are abuzz with joyous activity and inspiring people, not to mention the talent!

Want to contact the Rucher Boltonnois? Address: 2616 Rte Nicholas Austin, Bolton-Est, QC J0E 1G0

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North Volunteer Centre-

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Marie-Elaine Hvizdak, Familiprix Epicerie Mansonville, Jacques Ducharme, Bonisoir Depanneur des 13, Memphremagog Food Bank (BAM) and the Mansonville Baptist Church. Monetary donations come in from a variety of supportive and giving individuals and groups as well as support received from the CIUSSSE-CHUS Health Board. A variety of businesses made boxes available for donations of items to support the Annual baskets including schools like Massey Vanier High School.

It takes many hands to make light work and the numerous volunteers who gather, sort, distribute and help out during the lengthy process are greatly appreciated by the CABMN organization. The Potton Firefighters and First Responders are an amazing sight to behold as they prepare the deliveries and go from home to home assuring that all boxes (and there are many) get to the right places. Each year as this group gets more and more seasoned, the deliveries go a little faster and the process seems effortless with the help of these devoted people.

"I've been doing this for quite

some time now," said June Peacock the Chairperson of the Partage/ Share committee of the CABMN who, along with CABMN Administrator Jennifer Mcgeean coordinate the Annual Food Baskets each year. "It never ceases to amaze me as I watch this all come together. When the last boxes are loaded there is a feeling of accomplishment, joy and pride in all who make this happen on behalf of the CABMN.'

The boxes also included gifts for the children: stuffed animals, handmade toys, toothpaste and brushes as well as books donated through the Yamaska Literacy Council coordinated by Amanda Patch. The Yamaska Literacy Council supports many activities and Amanda contacts the CABMN each year to offer their support in supplying books for the youngsters.

For anyone in need who missed the Annual Christmas Basket distribution, the CABMN has and continues to stock its shelves preparing for needs that may arise prior and after the holidays. Contributions of food items are always needed and as things continue to come in, the CABMN can assure that it is able



Potton Fire Chief, James Bouthillier loads the truck to make Christmas basket deliveries to those in need

to help anyone who needs support that may be suffering from food insecurity.

To contact the CABMN call 450-292-3114. The offices are located at 314B Principale in Mansonville above the CIUSSSE/CHUS Medical Clinic. If you want to know more about the CAB visit www.cabmn.org

The CABMN wishes all a joyous holiday and ask that you take note that the office and programs will be closed from December 23, 2022 to January 3, 2023. For emergencies you can leave a message.

Ben by Daniel Shelton





