

# Without you, it wouldn't happen



THE SCOOP  
MABLE HASTINGS

Besides the pleasure of writing “the Scoop” in The Record each week, I am the director of a non-profit community organization in Potton. As a people person who loves to help others and surrounded by a devoted staff and some amazing volunteers, I am proud each day of the efforts collectively put forth by our organization and others in community groups all around. This morning however I got to thinking about those who rarely get

recognized and whom without, most amazing things would not happen... Yes, I'm talking about, YOU! You may be asking yourself how you come into the picture?

I hear a lot about an outstanding effort in Knowlton where donations of second hand clothing, books, items etc...are made most every month and the funds raised are donated by that group to help local schools. A group again with a wonderful support team. A house in Potton in existence for over forty years that serves meals in its tea room, receives and donates clothes, furniture, books, items and that donates funds and items to help other community groups and initiatives as well as sustaining their building for community benefit. The local food bank receiving donations of food items and monetary contributions. The list goes on...and the unique efforts in communities all over the Eastern Townships in every town are expansive.

I think others would agree with what I am about to say as I believe this reflection on my part is so true to all of these community groups and efforts. Without YOU, those people who part with your excess clothing, or food, or furniture...wash and prepare it, box it up and label it and then drive it to donate, the amazing results coming from all of our organizations could not happen. The time and talents of volunteers to each organization and group sustains and elevates each small and large success.

On Saturday, April 26 our Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CABMN) Youth Program will hold their regular second hand

Jewelery and Purse sale at the Youth Centre located at 282 Principale in Mansonville starting at 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Funds raised benefit the youth programs and SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) Mansonville Chapter in existence since 1987. Without the Jewelery, purses and scarves donated sale after sale by YOU, the generous public, these sales would not happen. To date, YOU, those who have contributed to these sales, volunteered at events etc, have helped to raise thousands of dollars over the years to support CABMN youth events and programming.

YOU....our donors who sort your Jewelery boxes, closets and drawers ARE making all the difference to organizations like ours and so many others. YOU do play such a significant role either through donating or volunteering. YOU should include yourself in your congratulatory comments expressed in regards to all of our accomplishments and successes!

That being said...If you have items to donate to the upcoming Youth Centre Second hand Jewelery/ purse and scarf sale, please contact me, Mable Hastings at 450-292-3114 extension 104 or email me at m.hastings@cabmn.org I can arrange pick up of items or donations of jewelery, purses or scarves can be made in my name when dropping them off at the CABMN main offices at 314B Principale in Mansonville. Above the medical clinic.

For the vital role YOU play, I extend a heartfelt thank you from any and all groups you help and support in all communities in a variety of ways.

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You make donations of second-hand Jewelery like this turn into programs for youth as pictured below of the Friday afternoon CABMN Dance Group for kids 5-12!



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