

December 2017 edition

# WHAT'S NEW



@NDIP



## A word from **the Mayor**



It is already December, and another busy year is coming to an end. In this municipal election year, you, the residents of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot, have once again given us your trust. It is therefore with great pride that the city councillors and I undertake a new mandate and continue the work done in the last few years to make Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot an outstanding city of which you can be proud.

An important issue in Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot in 2018 will be waste management, mainly because organic waste collection will begin in the fall. It will be a big challenge, but I have full confidence that the residents of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot will rise to the occasion. In Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot, a communications campaign will be launched in the spring to inform residents about the items accepted for organic waste collection. In a similar vein, I also encourage you to keep up your good recycling habits during the holiday season. Gift wrap and packaging should not be included in household waste. For cardboard boxes, please remember that there will be a special collection on January 4, 2018.

In closing, on behalf of the Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot city council, I wish all of you the very best holidays. Take advantage of this happy time to relax and enjoy the company of family and friends. I look forward to seeing you in 2018!

## Did you know?

In 2017, the City launched the #jachetellementlocal campaign under the Tellement Beau initiative. A showcase for local businesses, organizations and service providers in Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot, this campaign has been part of your city council's efforts over the years to promote businesses and services in Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot. By encouraging residents to become ambassadors of their city and to buy locally, the city council wishes to foster the success of local merchants and entrepreneurs and the opening of new businesses in NDIP. To date, the campaign has 12 local partners, and the city council invites other local businesses to join the initiative. For more information, go to [jachetellementlocal.org](http://jachetellementlocal.org).

## Living in NDIP

Winter is a wonderful season in Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot. However, to enjoy it fully, one must get out of the house and go play outside. You might put on your skates at our various skating rinks or ride a sled down the snowy slope at Des Éperviers Park. Of course, the classic winter events are back, namely Patinage disco (Disco Skating) on **February 2**, Plaisirs d'hiver (Winter Fun Festival) at Centre Notre-Dame-de-Fatima on **February 3**, and the spectacular Jam des neiges (Snow Jam) on **February 10**. Your city council encourages you to mark your calendars and take part in these activities.

If you have any more ideas for improving the quality of life in Notre-Dame, write to the mayor at [ddeschenes@ndip.org](mailto:ddeschenes@ndip.org) or visit her Facebook page, [facebook.com/MairesseDanieDeschenes/](https://facebook.com/MairesseDanieDeschenes/)

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# Marie-Uguay Library

## A THIRD PLACE

Through rich and constantly evolving programming, Marie-Uguay Library has become a third place, meaning a social environment separate from that of one's home (first place) and work (second place). For the current staff, the library is no longer strictly a still and quiet place for reading and studying, but rather a place for the social life of the community, where people of all ages can meet and chat. The city council supports the many creative initiatives of the Marie-Uguay Library team, such as story time, teen Fridays, homework assistance, iPad courses for seniors and the amazing Nuit Blanche, the second edition of which was recently a huge success. In addition, we will soon be announcing the opening of the toy library, an educational toy and game lending service for the whole family.

## Green thumb

This winter, the City of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot is using a product derived from sugar beets to increase the effectiveness of the de-icer applied to our roads. With this 100% organic and biodegradable product, less road salt is needed to cover the same area as conventional de-icers. For comparison, conventional road salt is effective to -12°C, and 120 kg is required to cover 1 km of roadway, while road salt sprayed with beet juice is active to -28°C, and only 85 kg is needed to cover 1 km of roadway.

The benefits of spraying road salt with beet juice are numerous, including less chloride, fewer applications, lower costs (for example for de-icer and fuel), a smaller environmental impact (less chloride in soil and groundwater), less corrosion from road salt, better management of labour and equipment, and increased road user safety. As well, there is no need to worry about all the roads in Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot turning red this winter. The beet juice used is colourless and will not stain vehicles or clothing.

## HOT TOPIC 2

## Electric charging station

In November, the city council approved the installation of an electric charging station in Des Éperriers Park for electronic devices. This innovative, 100% solar-powered technological solution, created specifically for NDIP, will enable park users to charge their electronic devices on site, while they continue their activities. The charging station is an additional service made available to residents of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot to facilitate the free access to Wi-Fi in Des Éperriers Park.

## At The City

The city council wishes to acknowledge the retirement of Alain Leduc. An employee of the City since 1985, Alain held various positions, including driver-operator and assistant foreman. Over the years, he gained in-depth knowledge of the city's land and infrastructure, and in August 2014 he was appointed public works foreman, the same position his father had held for many years. A big thank you to Alain for his professionalism throughout these years and good luck in his future endeavours!

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