

### ***Rain, rain and more rain!***

Rainfall in Baie-D'Urfé – its frequency and its volume have certainly been on the minds of residents this fall. Most notably was the near record downpour of 35 odd centimeters on September 30<sup>th</sup>. As I write this piece, we have had another 30 plus centimeters on October 15<sup>th</sup>. It's great for the lawn but bad for basements. Baie-D'Urfé's sump pumps will certainly be put to the test again.!

As residents, we can be thankful for the help of the Public Works personnel and the volunteers of the Baie-D'Urfé Rescue Squad. Led by Pierre-Yves Morin and Peter Neville respectively, their teams' hard work and cooperation have kept the wet basements to a minimum and for that we are truly grateful. Additional thanks must go to Dave Clark, Eric Norris and Eric Nuss, our dedicated night guards. In case of emergency outside regular office hours, please call 514 630-1234. The dispatch center will then relay your call to the appropriate personnel or emergency response service.

In Public Works and Town Infrastructure, it has been a busy last month. No doubt that you have all noticed the final construction being done to the Surrey pathway and drainage project. With some time delays mostly due to weather, the project will have been finished by the end of October as the paving of the work area is completed. The 2010 drainage maintenance and upgrading program has commenced with multiple sites throughout the town. Completion of this work is scheduled to be done prior to December.

The Morgan Entrance re-vitalization is also now fully underway. Expectations are for landscape construction of the new retaining walls to be complete prior to December, with planting of trees and other plants being completed in the spring of 2011.

All the above work should let Baie-D'Urfé look its best just in time for its Centennial year in 2011. On that topic, a Centennial committee, chaired by Councillor Kim Millette, is planning a wide variety of celebratory events throughout all of 2011. More suggestions from residents are always welcome.

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