



# TOWN OF BAIE D'URFÉ

*Founded in 1686 • Incorporated in 1911*

Summer Newsletter  
June 2008



Monday to Thursday :  
8 AM to 4:30 PM  
Friday : 8 AM to 1 PM  
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# CITIZENS ARE REMINDED THAT THE SECOND INSTALLMENT OF THEIR LOCAL TAX BILL IS

Besides the usual methods of payment by mail, cheque, cash or debit card at the Town Hall, your account is now also payable at the financial institutions listed through the Internet, automatic tellers, telephone banking and at their counter. When the prompt asks you for an account number you must use the first 18 digits of the number shown as **M A T R I C U L E : xxx-xx-xxxx-x-000-0000** on your tax bill. Do not use the number shown as account number (starts with 2008). Payment can be made through the following financial institutions :

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- National Bank of Canada
- Bank of Montreal
- Scotia Bank
- Caisse Populaire
- Royal Bank
- TD Canada Trust
- CIBC



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**Municipal Council Meetings**  
**7:30 P.M.**  
**Tuesday, June 10**  
**Tuesday, July 8**  
**Tuesday, August 12th**  
**Tuesday, September 9th**



## **MUNICIPAL PERMITS**



Residents are required to obtain a building permit for all construction projects including pools, sheds, fences and retaining walls.

Please note that it is also necessary to have a permit before cutting down trees on your property. To make an appointment to obtain a town permit, please phone our municipal inspector, Gordie Charette at 514 457-5339

Please note that the Town Hall will be closed for the following Legal Holidays :

St-Jean-Baptiste—Tuesday, June 24  
 Canada Day— Tuesday, July 1  
 Labour Day—Monday, September 1



## **BRANCH PICKUP**

This service is provided for citizens who have pruned their trees and placed the branches on the roadside for the Town to shred and dispose of. This service does NOT include the removal of trees cut or pruned by a contractor. The contractor must remove the branches in addition to the tree. Please note also that this service stops on Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> and resumes Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **BYLAW FOR PET OWNERS**

Our municipal bylaw states that dogs should be on a leash at all times unless they are in a fenced yard. Pet owners must also poop and scoop while on public or other private properties as well as dispose of it in a proper manner.



## **LET'S HELP REDUCE SCAVENGER PROBLEMS IN OUR TOWN**

We have received many complaints lately about raccoons in our Town. The Town is looking into solutions to this problem. In the meantime, we must remind citizens that it is against our bylaw to feed wild animals. It is also important to make sure your garbage can is raccoon resistant. Our animal control officer does not have a mandate to control wild animals however she does offer some good tips on grubs and raccoons on her website:

[www.geocities.com/bdanimalcontrol](http://www.geocities.com/bdanimalcontrol).

## **WATERING MATURE LAWNS**



Council encourages residents to use water responsibly by not watering mature lawns between 7 A.M. and 7 P.M.



## **SEPTIC TANKS**

To ensure that we do our part for a clean environment, we wish to remind you that septic tanks **MUST** be cleaned every two years and that certain types of septic systems require maintenance contracts. The Town covers the cleaning costs of septic tanks up to a maximum of \$180. every two years.

# FREE SWIM FOR BAIE D'URFÉ RESIDENTS

**BAIE D'URFÉ AQUATIC CLUB—20613 LAKESHORE  
OFFERS FREE SWIM FOR BAIE D'URFÉ RESIDENTS ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:**

**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS FROM 4:30 TO 6 P.M.  
SATURDAYS FROM 11:30 A.M. TO 1 P.M.**

*PROOF OF RESIDENCE IS REQUIRED.*

**BAIE D'URFÉ TENNIS CLUB  
20617 LAKESHORE  
FREE TENNIS FOR BAIE D'URFÉ RESIDENTS  
ON SUNDAYS FROM 4 TO 6 P.M.**

*Players must have proof of residence, wear tennis shoes  
and respect the club's dress code.*



**MAY BE HIDING OUT IN YOUR HOME**  
In your basement, garage or  
even right in your kitchen!

# WANTED

Energy Guzzler

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## \$60 REWARD

Do you have one of these energy-guzzling beasts in your home? The RECYC-FRIGO squad will pick up your appliance and dispose of it in an environmentally friendly manner—**FREE OF CHARGE.**

What's more, you will receive a \$60 cheque in the mail!

How does it work? Just take part in Hydro-Québec's RECYC-FRIGO program! They'll pick up your appliances at your home free of charge if your fridge or freezer is 10 years old or older, in working condition, connected, and between 10 and 25 cubic feet in size. If your appliances match this description, just make an appointment by dialling 1-877-49 FRIGO (1-877-493-7446) or by filling out the collection form online at [www.recyc-frigo.com](http://www.recyc-frigo.com).

A collection truck will come to your home to pick up your appliance free of charge. What's more, you will receive a cheque for \$60 for each appliance collected (up to a maximum of two per household) within three weeks of the date your appliances are collected.

## Theatre in the Park

This year's presentation of *The Tempest* by Shakespeare performed by the Repercussion Theater will be held on the grounds of Fritz Farm on Wednesday, July 30th, 2008 at 7:30 PM. Bring a chair and enjoy !



## Baie d'Urfé Blood Drive - Friday, June 13th

This year again, it will be the Friday of Baie d'Urfé Days. Last year's drive was very successful. We had 76 donors with 14 people giving blood for the first time! Since 1996, 814 citizens have given blood at the Baie d'Urfé Blood Drive thereby saving 3256 lives.

Mark Friday June 13<sup>th</sup> on your calendar and join us from 1:30 to 7 p.m. at our Fire Station on Surrey. Let's continue leading the way in building a caring, sharing society.



## Baie d'Urfé Days— June 13 to 15, 2008



Take advantage of the wonderful activities planned by the Baie d'Urfé Citizens' Association during the Baie d'Urfé Days festivities to be held from June 13 to 15.

## INSPECTION OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES ON THE ISLAND OF MONTREAL



*La Direction de l'évaluation foncière de la ville de Montréal* (DÉFVM) who is responsible for property evaluations, will be holding **exterior inspections of all residential properties situated on the Island of Montreal.**

These inspections will take place in **two phases that is from May 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008 and May 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009.** As such, residents of Baie d'Urfé will be visited by a technician or evaluator from *la Direction de l'évaluation foncière* who will show up at your home with proper identification from Monday to Friday between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. The inspection will consist of **an exterior examination of the property and a photo will be taken of your house** in order to update the property data for the evaluation of residential buildings.

Please note that this inspection conforms to the requirements of the provincial government's municipal taxation act and we invite you to cooperate with this operation. For more information, you can phone the Baie d'Urfé Town Hall at 514 457-5324.

### WHITE GRUB INVASION

**SYMPTOMS:** If your lawn has yellowing patches that can be lifted off like a carpet and in the morning, you see small clumps of grass that were turned over during the night by raccoons and skunks, your lawn may be infested with white grubs.

**CAUSES:** A certain number of grubs is normal in a healthy lawn but if it has been mowed too short, treated with synthetic pesticides or over-fertilized with Nitrogen, the white grubs can take over.

**ECO-STEPS:** Unfortunately, little can be done in the Spring, once the damage is visible on the lawn. However, the following is recommended :

- Repellents made from capsaicin (cayenne pepper) and piperine (black pepper) can help keep away the skunks and raccoons.
- Put back the patches of grass, stomp them down and water generously.
- Soil should be good and dry before renovating the lawn especially if it is already infested.
- The lawn should be mowed no shorter than 7 cm (2 3/4")
- Only natural fertilizers and compost should be applied.
- Overseeding at least once a year.
- Clover can be added to your lawn since white grubs don't like it.
- Outdoor lights should be turned off from late June to mid-July to avoid attracting the females laying the eggs.
- Some people have had success with NEMATODES but this product should **NOT BE APPLIED BEFORE AUGUST.** This 'live' product has a limited shelf life and can be ordered from local hardware and garden stores.

Source : Eco-steps for controlling white grubs in Spring  
by Micheline Lévesque, Agronomist & consultant  
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