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## MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER



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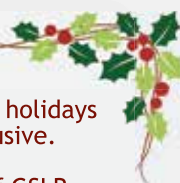
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### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

City Hall will be closed for the Christmas holidays from December 20 to January 4, inclusive.

The elected officials and employees of GSLR would like to wish you a joyous holiday season and a New Year that fulfills all your wishes!



# A WORD FROM THE MAYOR

Dear fellow citizens,

Firstly, let me thank you for the trust you placed in me and the councilors during the last election. We're starting this new term with renewed enthusiasm to serve you to the best of our abilities and work to improve the quality of life for everyone in Grenville-sur-la-Rouge.

The onset of winter marks a pause in our major projects. This summer, despite the high temperatures, public works employees were busy. Their commitment and determination made it possible to carry out a series of major projects throughout the municipality, contributing to the improvement of our infrastructure and the safety of our citizens. The dedication of our teams is remarkable and deserves to be highlighted. Kilmar, Rawcliff, Harrington, and Rivière-Rouge roads have undergone a makeover. Other work carried out—ditch digging, vegetation control, road right-of-way stabilization, etc.—will improve the safety and lifespan of our road infrastructure.

Our urban planning department has a new director, Ms. Claudy St-Onge, and Ms. Luce Beaudoin has been appointed municipal inspector. Updating regulations is one of their priorities for the fall; it's a huge undertaking!

In terms of recreation and culture, our libraries continue to enrich their collections with the latest releases. In addition, users now have access to new self-service computers in both of our libraries. The watercolorists in Nicole Van Edig's workshop are preparing a new exhibition for January. Come see it at City Hall!

In closing, on behalf of the entire team of municipal employees and the council, I would like to wish you a holiday season filled with joy, rest, and good health!

The Mayor  
Tom Arnold



## Your new municipal council

On November 2, the citizens of GLSR elected their new municipal council. Nearly 36% of voters exercised their right to vote.

Congratulations to the winners and well done to all the candidates for a great election campaign that demonstrated the importance of democracy to the citizens of Grenville-sur-la-Rouge.

From left to right:

Mr. Daniel Gauthier, seat #6, Mr. Carl Woodbury, seat #2, Ms. Manon Jutras, seat #1, Mr. Tom Arnold, mayor, Ms. Natalia Czarnecka, seat #3, Mr. Patrice Deslongchamps, seat #5, Mr. Denis Fillion, seat #4



## City Hall

88 des Érables,  
Grenville-sur-la-Rouge, Qc  
J0V 1B0  
info@gsr.ca  
(819)242-8762

### Opening hours:

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm  
(Closed from noon to 1 pm)  
Friday: 8:30 am to 1 pm



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# Municipal informations



## Public works report - summer 2025

Blue-collar workers have been working hard this summer to improve the safety and longevity of our municipal infrastructure. Here are some notable accomplishments from the season:

- Digging several kilometers of ditches to improve drainage and prevent erosion;
- Replacing culverts on Rawcliff, Kilmar, and Rivière-Rouge roads to improve stormwater flow;
- Blasting and stabilizing embankments to secure road rights-of-way during snow removal;
- Repairing potholes, leveling and refilling roads to improve traffic flow and extend the life of infrastructure;
- Pruning and controlling vegetation to ensure visibility and safety on roads;
- Maintenance of the water system, including replacement of valves and fire hydrants to maintain the reliability of drinking water service;
- Installation of guardrails;
- Street marking.

This work demonstrates the professionalism, rigor, and resilience of our teams, who have effectively risen to the challenges in the field, serving the entire community.

### Summary of major subsidized projects:

- The repair of Chemin de la Rivière-Rouge at Bell Falls is complete.
- The repair of Harrington Road to Rivington Bridge has been completed;
- The repair of Kilmar Road at Belvédère Road is well underway and will be completed in spring 2026;
- The repair of Kilmar Road at 10th Concession Road is well underway and will be completed in spring 2026.

We have submitted several grant applications and, depending on the grants received, we will inform you of the work that will begin in 2026.

## Fire Safety



**NEW!** Our fire safety department has acquired a battery-powered Jaws of life kit. This technology allows us to respond more quickly and effectively during extrication operations. Every second counts in an emergency, and this improvement gives us the mobility and speed we need to improve our response times and save lives.

### *For a safe winter, don't forget these simple steps:*

- *Change the batteries in your smoke detectors*
- *Have your chimney swept before the cold weather sets in*



## Snow removal

During winter, the public works department needs everyone's cooperation to ensure snow removal is as quick and safe as possible.

We ask that you:

- Follow parking regulations. Between November 1 and May 1, overnight parking on the streets is prohibited. Parking on the south side of Principale Street is prohibited at all times.
- Do not place your collection bins on the road, but at the edge of your property.
- Do not push snow onto municipal roads.

We ask that you show respect and patience to the workers who clear our roads. If you have any complaints, please do not intercept the snowplow operators. Instead, contact the Public Works Department at (819) 242-8762 #1.

## 2026 Taxes

### Payment dates:

April 15  
June 15  
August 17  
October 15



## Schedule of meetings

City Council,  
City Hall,  
7:00 PM

January 13  
February 10  
March 10  
April 14

### Urban Planning Advisory Committee

#### Meetings

January 14  
February 11  
March 11  
April 15

#### Application deadlines

November 28  
December 26  
January 23  
February 21  
March 27



# LEISURE AND CULTURE

## Exhibition

Town Hall  
88, des Érables,  
Grenville-sur-la-Rouge

January 29 to April 24, 2026

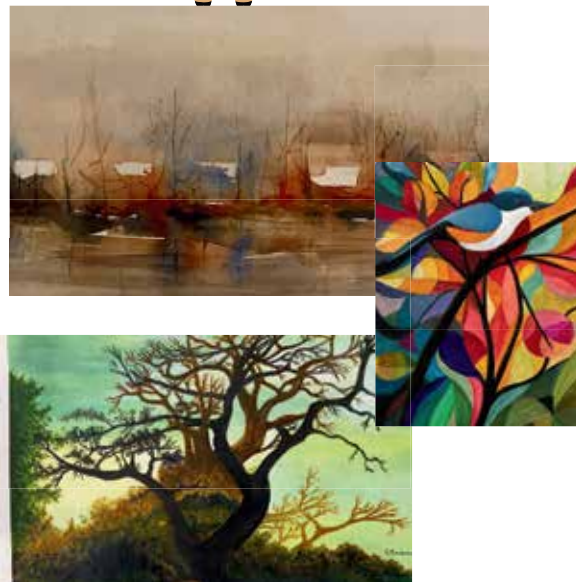
Nicole Van Edig's watercolor workshop presents the exhibition

## From Impressionism to Realism

Following the resounding success of last year's exhibition, Nicole Van Edig's group of watercolor friends is back in the City Hall lobby with From Impressionism to Realism.

The 14 artists who meet weekly at the Campbell Community Center have different styles and skill levels, but share a passion for watercolor painting. Without judgment or competition, they develop their knowledge and skills at their own pace in an atmosphere of sincere camaraderie.

Come discover or rediscover the talents of your community!



## Vernissage

Thursday, January 29, from 5 to 7 pm  
Everyone is welcome!



## Call for local artists

Are you an artist or group of artists from the region who would like to exhibit in the lobby of the GSLR City Hall?

Send us your complete portfolio (photos of your work, artistic approach, and exhibition project) by email to:  
[loisirs@gslr.ca](mailto:loisirs@gslr.ca)

## Adult Pickleball

Séminaire du Sacré-Coeur  
2738, Rte 148



### 12-week session

Tuesdays, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm  
January 12 to March 31

Registration: January 5 to 9  
*Registration must be done at City Hall; no registrations will be accepted on site. No reduced rates for late registration or individual classes.*



Fees:  
Residents: \$72  
Non-residents: \$84



# Libraries

## Schedule and contact details

### Calumet

435 Principale  
(819)242-8088  
bibliocalumet@gslr.ca

Monday: 4pm to 7pm  
Wednesday: 9am to 12pm  
Saturday: 9am to 12pm



### Pointe-au-Chêne

2710A, Rte 148  
(819)242-3232  
bibliopointeatchene@gslr.ca

Tuesday: 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm  
Thursday: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm  
Saturday: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm



### Our services

- French- and English-language books
- Children's sections
- Interlibrary loans
- Digital loans
- Workspaces
- Computers and printers

New equipment!

## NEW! Story Time



Come and discover the stories of the Célèbres anonymes.

Will Brume and Pluie the dinosaurs be able to scare away the predators? What will Marguerite the mare, who loves books too much, do with her annoying new roommate? Will Arthur finally lose his teeth? And other stories...

For toddlers, ages 2 to 6  
From 10:00 am to 10:45 am

**Calumet Library:**  
Saturdays, January 31 and February 28

**Pointe-au-Chêne Library:**  
Saturdays, February 14 and March 14

**REGISTRATION:** loisirs@gslr.ca  
(819) 242-8762

## English Book Club

**Calumet Library**  
With Carole Hébert

Fridays, January 9, February 6, March 6,  
April 3, from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Come discuss your reading over coffee.  
Open to all!

Please note that our libraries will be closed for the holiday season from December 22 to January 4, inclusive.

Happy holidays!



## The clerks' prize list!

### Francophone

A must, for Christmas time!

Ricardo, *Nos 100 recettes (les meilleures)*



FascinatingJanette:

Janette Bertrand, *Cent ans d'histoires (vous m'avez raconté le Québec)*

The passage of time:

Eric-Emmanuel Schmitt, *Les Deux royaumes, T.5*



The master of suspense strikes again:

Dan Brown, *Le secret des secrets*

### Anglophone

The final volume of his trilogy

Louise Penny, *The Black Wolf*

Also in French: *Le Loup noir*



Other upcoming releases:

Eva Jurczyk, *6:40 to Montreal*

Michael Connelly, *The Proving Ground*

John Grisham, *The Widow*

Robert Galbraith, *The Hallmarked Man*



### Youth and comics

The 41st Astérix!

Conrad Farco, Arlène Didier, *Astérix en Lusitanie*

The children's favorite

Élise Gravel, *Roi des oiseaux v.1*



# COMMUNITY CENTERS

## CAMPBELL COMMUNITY CENTER

2710, Rte 148, Pointe-au-Chêne  
(819)242-3232 [ca.ccccampbell@gmail.com](mailto:ca.ccccampbell@gmail.com)  
Follow CCC Facebook page for all the infos!



### MONTHLY BREAKFASTS

Every 4th Sunday of the month, from  
January 21 to June 21  
From 8:30 am to 11:00 am  
Members: \$15  
Non-members: \$18  
\$10 for ages 6 to 12  
Free for ages 0 to 5



### SPECIAL SUGAR SHACK BREAKFAST, March 22

Price to be announced—check our  
Facebook page!

### VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER

Saturday, February 14  
Entertainment: Marc Bélanger, guitar,  
vocals, and hats!  
Menu details and prices to come.



### CARDS AND BOARD GAMES

Sundays from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm  
January 11, February 8, March 15,  
April 12  
Free intergenerational activity to  
socialize, have fun, and exercise your  
brain.



### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S RIGHTS DAY

Sunday, March 8.  
Details to come.  
Stay tuned!



### SHOTOKAN KARATE FOR EVERYONE (children and adults)

Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
From January 6 to June 2026  
Members: \$10/month - individual  
\$15/month - family  
Non-members: \$20/month - individual  
\$30/month - family  
Info: Olivier Rivest, (450) 848-7970



### YOGA

Registration:  
Chantal Ménard, teacher  
[menardchantal@hotmail.com](mailto:menardchantal@hotmail.com)  
(438)501-6148  
[www.SevaKundaliniYoga.com](http://www.SevaKundaliniYoga.com)



### CHAIR YOGA

January 22 to March 26  
Thursdays, 9:30 am to 10:45 am  
Members: \$90/10 classes  
Drop-in: \$12/class  
Required equipment available on site.

### NEW

### KUNDALINI YOGA WITH CHANTAL

January 19 to March 23  
Members: \$100/10 classes  
Drop-in: \$15/class  
Required equipment available on site.

### SPECIAL EVENT: YOGA AND CREATIVITY

Sunday, January 11, 11 am to 4 pm  
Ritual to welcome 2026 and let go of 2025  
Yoga, meditation, and visualization board  
Vegetarian meal and all materials included  
Members: \$60  
Non-members: \$65



### RECURRING ACTIVITIES OFFERED BY OUR VOLUNTEERS

Ongoing, starting the week of  
January 5  
Members: \$4/session  
Non-members: \$6/session



### QIGONG - gentle meditative exercise, the mother of Tai Chi

Monday 1:00 pm to 2:15 pm  
Wednesday 10:00 am to 11:15 am  
info: Lyne Fontaine: (819)242-2378

### KNITTING & CHAT



1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesday, from 1:00  
pm to 3:00 pm  
Info: Carol Ouimet, (450)495-0014 or  
[carol.ouimet@hotmail.ca](mailto:carol.ouimet@hotmail.ca)

### WATERCOLOR EXPLORATION WORKSHOP

Tuesday, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm  
info: Nicole Van Edig, (819)242-0434 or  
[nvanedig@yahoo.ca](mailto:nvanedig@yahoo.ca)



## AVOCA COMMUNITY CENTER

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(819)242-8105



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