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MONTREAL ESTONIAN SOCIETY SOCIÉTÉ ESTONIENNE DE MONTRÉAL

NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2013

UPCOMING EVENTS

The **MES Annual General Meeting** will be held on Sunday, October 27, 2013 at St. John's Estonian Ev. Lutheran Church Hall, starting at 2:00 pm. All members and potential new members are invited to the meeting. Coffee and cake will be served.

Ongoing **MES Language classes** will resume with your participation. Thanks to Skype video conferencing, you can now take part in these classes from the comfort of your own home. From beginner to advanced, all levels are welcome. Please contact course co-ordinator Tom Ventser for more information at (514) 694-2940 or tom.ventser@gmail.com.

The **MES Lasteaed/Kindergarten** group brings together families with ties to Estonia from the Greater Montreal area. It's a chance for kids to play together, practice Estonian and for the parents to meet other Estonian-Canadian families and to be involved. With the summer Family Camp and lots of exciting activities, it's fun for everyone.

MES Lasteaed meets once a month from 10 am-12 noon at the St. John's Estonian Lutheran Church Hall (4345 Marcell Ave. in NDG) – **NOTE:** For dates, please check the MES website calendar. For more information, please contact Astrid Dando by email at: astrid.dando@yahoo.co.uk

A second **MES Film Evening** for our community, is planned for Friday, September 27, 2013 featuring the recent Ilmar Raag film, *Eestlanna Pariisis (A Lady In Paris)*. Showtime is at 7:00 pm on the big screen at St. John's Estonian Ev. Lutheran Church.

The annual **MES 'Verivorst' fundraiser** will take place a little earlier this year in order to help out with the food production for the St. John's Estonian Church Basaar. The making of these traditional **Christmas sausages** for our community will take place on Saturday, October 26, 2012. The price of the 'verivorstid' is **\$10 per pound** and pick-up will be on the same day, (i.e. Saturday, Oct. 26, 2013) from 1:00-2:00 pm at St. John's Estonian Church Hall. **Please note:** if you do not pick up your order that day, your 'verivorstid' will be redirected to someone else.

NOTE: **Orders will be accepted until October 21, with a limit of 5 lbs per order.** To place your order, please contact Ingrid Tärk at: (514) 489-9714 or by E-mail at: ingridtark@hotmail.com

NEW! Estonian Knitting Classes. Are you interested in Estonian Knitting (or just want to learn how to knit)? A Certified Knitting and Crochet Instructor is willing to teach the basic Estonian patterns as well as an Intermediate and/or

Advanced class of Estonian Lace. Classes will start in January 2014. For more information, contact Tom Ventser at: tom.ventser@gmail.com

Check out the **Priit & Olga Pärn Retrospective** at the Cinémathèque Québécoise. (See the MES website for more information.)

RECENT EVENTS

The 8th annual **MES Golf Tournament** took place on Friday, August 2, 2013 at the Oasis Golf Club in Brownsburg. Each year this event keeps getting bigger and this year was no exception as it was the best attended tournament yet. Photos and articles are on the MES website.

The MES Executive bade farewell to Estonia's Chargé d'Affaires, **Riho Kruuv**, at a luncheon held on Tuesday, July 30, 2013. He was presented with the book *Sherbrooke Street Then and Now* and the new MES mug, etc.

OTHER INFORMATION

Membership fees for 2013-2014 are now due. At \$10 per person, it remains one of the great bargains of the day. Don't delay - pay today! If you are not sure whether or not you have paid your current membership fee, or would like to join, please contact Kersti Leetmaa at: (514) 695-4194 OR kleetmaaster@gmail.com

We invite everyone to keep us informed of **Upcoming Events and News** of interest to our community, especially any news that features or involves Montreal Estonians. Please send the information to: info@mtlmes.ca

If you have any **Historic Photos** of Montreal Estonians or community activities, especially the early years from 1933 into the 1950s, please let us know: info@mtlmes.ca

Donations: The MES can provide Quebec provincial income tax receipts to any individual who wishes to make a donation to the MES in support of its activities.

Your donation will be used 100% to help cover the costs of cultural and social activities that support the Estonian community in Montreal. Please give generously.

MES Executive

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