NEW BRUNSWICK
French International Student Program

NewsLETTER

Volume 7, Number 1 – FALL 2016

ALSO IN THIS EDITION...

- Juan Carlos: TV Fashion Model for a Day
- Marten from Germany plays in NB Youth Orchestra
- Register Now! 2-week Summer Camp

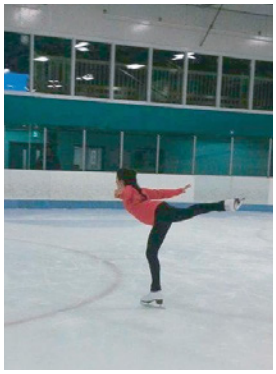
Notre infolettre est également disponible en français!

Visitez l'onglet BLOGUE sur le site Web : www.nbfr.ca

Annetta will be competing in at least two figure skating competitions with the Club de patinage artistique Edmundston.

Italian Student's Skating Dream Comes True

By: Renée Morel, Newsletter Editor



Before coming to New Brunswick, Annetta had only been on the ice a few times in her community in Southern Italy. "Figure skating has always been my dream. When I was little, I used to watch the competitions and the ice skating shows during the Holiday Season. I wanted to skate like that too," she shares with enthusiasm.

So, when the Grade 12 student at Cité des Jeunes A.-M. Sormany made the decision to come to Canada to improve her French, she made sure figure skating was a priority in her placement profile. "When students who apply to our program have special requests, we always strive to accommodate them," explains Program Director, Suzanne Gagnon. "The figure skating club in Edmundston has been around for a long time and has a great reputation, so we placed her with a host family in that community," she adds.

Annetta is on the ice at least three and a half hours every week. "I'm really excited because I'm going to a competition in Quebec on December 4th. So, I'm working on my choreography and practising on my own this month."

Above, the orchestra during a rehearsal in October. The next concert will take place on December 4th in Miramichi.
Photos : courtesy of the New Brunswick Youth Orchestra.

Marten Plays Violin

With the New Brunswick Youth Orchestra

Marten, from Germany is passionate about classical music and practices his violin for an hour almost every day. The Grade 10 student at L'Odyssée in Moncton is also a member of the New Brunswick Youth Orchestra. "The level is pretty advanced and everyone here is very nice," shares Marten, who's also part of an orchestra back home. He'll be performing his second concert in the province at the beginning of December. ★

Juan Carlos Combines Sports and Fashion

in Campbellton

When Juan Carlos from Mexico arrived in Campbellton, he knew he wanted to play on his school's soccer team. What he didn't bargain on was also becoming a fashion model! A local men's clothing store invited him to model for an advertisement. "I really enjoyed this experience. The TV people and the store owner were really nice and made me feel at ease. I can't wait to see the final version," shares the Grade 12 student at the Polyvalente Roland-Pépin. The ad is airing locally on CHAU-TV.

At the beginning of November, his soccer team made it to the NBIAA (New Brunswick Interscholastic Athletic Association) Senior Provincial Championship, which took place in Moncton. ★

Juan Carlos (#5) played both defence and striker positions with his school team Les Prédateurs PRP this fall.

Juan Carlos on the set of a fashion shoot for a local television advertisement airing in November.

Mexican Student

Invited to Host Sister's School

Krista, a Grade 11 student at École Louis-J.-Robichaud in Shediac, was invited to her host sister's classroom to talk about her country. Zoe, a Grade 6 student at the primary school in Grande-Digue, says Krista's presentation went really well, and many of her classmates are now interested in visiting Mexico. "And because I'm an only child, I really enjoy having her around. She's like a big sister to me," she adds. ★

Krista from Mexico presenting her country to her host sister's Grade 6 class.

Discovering Canada's National Sport

in the Acadian Peninsula

Diren from Turkey, a Grade 10 student at École Marie-Esther in Shippagan, attended his very first hockey game. He was really excited seeing all the action on the ice.

Twice a week, Barbara (Italy) and Leah (Germany) lace up their skates to practise with the girls' hockey team at the Polyvalente Louis-Mailloux in Caraquet. Both had skated a bit before coming to Canada, but this is their first time playing our national sport. Although they don't get ice time at a real game, they are really enjoying themselves and getting a good workout at the same time.

Last month, our local homestay coordinator got special access to a private box on the mezzanine at the arena in Bathurst for a home game of the region's Quebec Major Junior Hockey League team, and brought along her three international students, Barbara, Leah and Diren. ★

Barbara from Italy (on the left) is in Grade 11 and Leah from Germany (on the right) is in Grade 10.

Valerian (2nd from the left) with a group of his teammates at the leadership camp.

Caroline from Germany sitting on Storm and her host Dad, Remi Guitard.

German Students

Enjoying Their Canadian Adventure in Bathurst

At the beginning of the school year, Valerian and Caroline participated in a leadership camp at École secondaire Népisiguit in Bathurst, which included workshops on communication and team building. It helped them to make new friends and get acclimatized with their new environment. Valerian played soccer this fall. His team made it to NBIAA Senior Provincial Championship at the beginning of November. As for Caroline, she's joined the school choir and is in rehearsal mode for the upcoming Christmas concert. She is also enjoying living on a horse farm with her host family! ★

2017 Summer Camp

— August 11th - 25th

Our 2-week immersion camp at l'Université de Moncton, New Brunswick's French-language university, is an exciting opportunity to experience a new culture, meet new friends and have fun! Designed to help acclimatize participants enrolled in our program in September, the camp is also offered to students interested in a short-term French immersion experience. Students stay on campus, under the supervision of a dynamic team of camp counsellors. ★

For more information about our 2-week summer camp visit the PROGRAM page on our website!

PAC
PLACE AUX COMPÉTENCES

SUZANNE GAGNON
Director

CONTACT US

New Brunswick French International Student Program

T 506.532.8532
C 506.533.6381
E suzanne@pacnb.org

344, rue Main, bureau F
Shediac (N.-B.)
Canada E4P 2E8

www.nbfr.ca

LIKE US! FOLLOW US!

New Brunswick Nouveau-Brunswick | District scolaire francophone du Nord-Ouest | District scolaire francophone Sud — Apprendre. Grandir. Devenir. | District scolaire francophone Nord-Est — La réussite de l'élève, notre responsabilité! | caps·i acep·i — Canadian Association of Public Schools - International / Association canadienne des écoles publiques - International