

# THE **NEWSLETTER**

VALERO EMPLOYEES' ENERGY AT THE SERVICE OF THE COMMUNITY



#### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

On February 16, we were pleased to meet the five new scholarship winners from Pierre-Dupuy high school. Now in their 3<sup>rd</sup> year of studies, they were both surprised and thrilled to have been selected. Most of them intend to buy a portable computer as several don't have access to a computer at home.



#### Du 15 au 19 février 2016 JOURNÉES DE LA **PERSÉVÉRANCE SCOLAIRE** 6° édition

To mark School Perseverance Week, we invited our McGill College office employees to write a few words of encouragement in personalized cards specially designed for the 40 Educaide scholarship winners.



Thanks for taking time to write and sign these positive messages. School perseverance is an ongoing issue and encouragement is always welcomed!



SAMAJAM: 14,000 CHILDREN IN 7 YEARS!

Considered the biggest musical project aimed at keeping kids in school, Samajam helps children from poor neighbourhoods and those coping with special challenges take part in a stimulating musical experience, as part of a weekly program of instrumental music, percussion, singing, dance and stage production.

The project not only forges links with other scholastic subjects, it helps students build self-esteem, bond with classmates, identify with their school and community and acquire a love of learning and long-term commitment to their studies. Valero Energy has supported the project for many years and this year contributed \$5,000 to the organization.



CHECK OUT THIS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER, AND IF YOU HAVE SOME IDEAS OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED TO SUPPORT SCHOOL PERSEVERANCE, CONTACT US AT affairespubliques@valero.com







## VALERO SUPPORTS THE MARINE TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY CONFERENCE

The Jacques Cartier ZIP Committee is an organization whose objective is to improve the quality of life of riverside residents and the water quality of the St Lawrence River which is a vital element for the development of Quebec. The committee, made up of members delegated by companies, groups of citizens, environmental groups as well as social, economic and municipal representatives, acts as a forum to update the status of the river's various sections.

The committee will soon hold a conference to discuss issues related to marine transportation and safety. Valero Energy will be represented at the conference and is financially supporting **(\$2,500)** the presentation of the conference.

### VALERO ENERGY'S COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND INVESTMENT PROGRAM OFFICIALLY KICKS OFF!

Over the next few weeks, employees will be invited to attend a presentation on Valero Energy's new community involvement and investment program. This customized program has been developed to provide tools that will allow us to actively support our community oriented mission.

« Valero Energy's philanthropic mission is aimed at improving the well-being of individuals and creating/promoting a sense of caring both in the company and in neighboring communities. »

Looking forward to seeing you at the presentation!



### THE EATING DISORDER FOUNDATION OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR PRAISES VALERO'S INVOLVEMENT

On behalf of Valero Energy, our colleague Keith Lee received a commemorative plaque marking the company's contribution to the eating disorder cause. Thanks to the proceeds of the Valero Energy Foundation annual golf tournament, donations of \$3,000 and \$4,000 were made in 2014 and 2015. A ceremony was held on February 3<sup>rd</sup> at the residence of the Honorable Dr. Frank Fagan, Lieutenant Governor. Since only three companies received this honour, this kind of recognition is all the more appreciated.



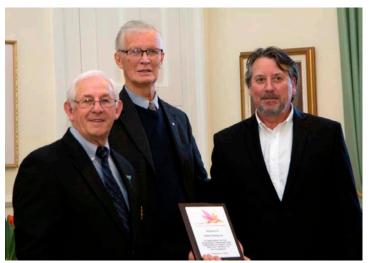


Photo: Dr. Frank Fagan, Lieutenant Governor, Vince Withers (chair of the Board of EDFNL) and Keith Lee (Valero Energy).

On January 27, the Honorable John Haggie, Minister of Health and Social Services, signed a declaration confirming that the week of February 1-7 will now be known as Eating Disorder Awareness Week in Newfoundland and Labrador.