



AUBERGE DES
Glacis
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Regional Gala Grand Prix of tourism for Chaudière-Appalaches

TWO PRIZES FOR L'AUBERGE DES GLACIS

ST-EUGÈNE-DE-L'ISLET, Monday, April 12, 2010. L'Auberge des Glacis was crowned twice at the gala Grands Prix of Quebec tourism for Chaudière-Appalaches, which was held at St-Georges-de-Beauce, on Friday, April 9th. The inn won the prize in categories **Accommodation 1 to 3 stars** and **Catering/touristic development**.

The two owners, Nancy Lemieux and André Anglehart, were greatly surprised at this double honour but equally very proud : « This is a confirmation that we have made a good decision to go ahead with our expansion project », they declared while accepting their prize.

The work started last fall. Thanks to mild temperatures this winter the new building is practically completed and will be ready to accept visitors in mid-June. There will now be 16 rooms available. The new annex will be covered in cedar shingles, in a way to respect the historic character of this original seigniorial flour mill (1841).

In total, this couple has invested more than one million dollars for this major project: six additional rooms, with two on the main floor for people with reduced mobility, a new open modern kitchen, two massage rooms, a wine cellar with a tasting room and a laundry room.

Nancy Lemieux would like to thank those who have followed them in this adventure : « Even though we were confident in this bold project we couldn't have arrived here without our partners ». She stressed the precious collaboration of M. René-Paul Dumont (ECGL), support much appreciated from deputy Norbert Morin, the exceptional work of CLD of the MRC of l'Islet, namely that of M. Étienne Malenfant. She also thanked Canada Economic Development for their loan of 250,000 dollars. It goes without saying the most important partner being Desjardins, who joined this project even though the hotel sector is not very popular with the financial institutes.

With these additions the owner will create four full time and four part time positions for a total of 18 regular employees year round. The economic boost of this project is very important for the Côte-du-Sud, namely for the 55 regional suppliers and producers who garnish the gourmet cuisine at the inn.

« We have applied the same principle of buying local during construction, this permitted us to encourage the people of Côte-du-Sud and of Chaudière-Appalaches during the past months », said Nancy Lemieux, in adding that « near to 98% of the project was fulfilled with the enterprises here and we are extremely proud ».

An exceptional Chef

For the prize « Catering/touristic development », the two owners were accompanied on stage by Chef Olivier Raffestin. André Anglehart praised his exceptional work while nicknaming him « the artist of Glacis ». He also added, « Olivier concocts divine dishes while always taking care to use local produce. He is anxious to find ingredients of the region and marry them with refinement and this subtlety that characterize so! A great Chef ! »



Amazing records

Since they acquired l'Auberge des Glacis, in the summer of 2006, the two former journalists have made their mark on the region. In the first year, they hoisted their enterprise into the top three hotel establishments of Quebec, winning the bronze at the National Gala Grands Prix of Tourism. Furthermore, **since their arrival, they have raised the business figures by 35% and the rate of occupation by 25%** (it is situated now at 45% on an annual base it was at 20% in 2006). During high season (May to August), they show an occupancy of 79% which is close to 30% higher than the regional average, with a peak at 89% in July-August (Chaudière-Appalaches : 64%).

On route to the Gala national

The team of Auberge des Glacis will be present Friday, May 7, 2010, at the National gala being held in Montreal. The two owners are proud to represent the region, like they did in 2008, where they won the national bronze in the hotel category.

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Auberge des Glacis

Auberge des Glacis is a treasure nestled amongst a vast domain, between the seaway and the mountains, one hour from Quebec City in the region of Chaudière-Appalaches.

A page of history of Côte-du-Sud is engraved on the stone walls of this old seigniorial mill, dating to 1841. The warm dining room with seating for 45 permits a discovery of unique flavours from the gourmet menu, concocted with local products. The establishment offers 10 rooms with enchanting decor with private bath. In the summer of 2010, 16 rooms will be available, two on the main floor. The historical milestones are erected along the pedestrian walkway in this park of 5 hectares, which includes a lookout with a view of the seaway. The establishment houses a four season solarium...directly on the edge of the Tortue River. This ancestral building was transformed into a magnificent inn in 1989.