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Editorial

One year already! In fact, more than a year since a new council team is in place.... We have chosen this newsletter to provide an update - to look back on this past year - in order to fully give an account of the progress made and from that assess clearly what's still to be done. We are fully aware of the magnitude of this task.

Let's take a quick look back at the departmental elections. Once again, we can be proud of ourselves. With 67.89% of voters in round 1 and 69.50% in round 2, we are situated well above the national average (50.17% and 49.98%). For the first time in these elections, Monflanquin was the main voting office for the 33 Communes in the "Haut-Agenais Perigord" Canton. We thank the staff and councillors from all the town halls across the *Canton*, as well as all those, including of course the *Monflanquinois*, who offered their help.

New *artisans* and shopkeepers settling in, new events, a summer and an autumn season which promise to be very rich... Interest is being shown in our *commune* and we are doing our best to support those who are investing or hope to do so.

Our *commune* has been awarded a new label: that of "Area committed to organic farming". The official ceremony took place on Tuesday 14th April in the presence of those farmers who helped us to obtain the label. It's remarkable that more than 6% of the farm land in our *commune* is organic. A big thank you and well done to everyone involved!

The 2015 budget brings new projects - some expected and others not, as is the case for the important building work planned at the nursery school. The school has to be adapted to welcome all the new starters in September (16 according to calculations back in Sep 2015). The lack of 'places' obliges us to have to rethink the existing space available. It also means that we have to adapt the nearby hall used by the senior citizens, so that the primary school children can eat in the right conditions while waiting for their canteen on the Cap del Pech (next to the primary school) to be ready.

In the heart of the Bastide, the Rue de la Paix has to be renovated and the Chemin de Baleilles redevelopment project has to be completed this year. Work on the pedestrian footpath on the 124 department road must also get started.

These projects go hand in hand with 'improving our way of life', which we have been working on since our arrival in office: increasing green belt land, removing obsolete or unnecessary sign-posts and road signs too old and without much use, reviewing certain rules concerning terraces on the main square, parking in the centre of the *bastide*, changes to the household waste collection points, reminders to dog owners that 'wandering' is strictly forbidden, cleaning the front wall of the church, planting perennials....The objective is also to do everything possible to retain our label "*Plus beaux villages de France*". An expert visit took place in 2009 and the maintenance report was accompanied by "very strong reservations". A new inspection visit is taking place on Wednesday 13th May 2015. The verdict will come in the following months. It is very clear that everyone is partly responsible and we salute everyone who contributes, at their level, to making our *commune* one of the 'most beautiful villages in France'.

This stage also allows me to thank all the councillors and town-hall employees who for one year haven't really counted their time.... I pay tribute to their investment and to their commitment to serve everyone.

Be sure that we always have the general interest at heart.

Have an excellent end of spring and an excellent start to summer!

Nathalie Founaud-Veyset, Maire of Monflanquin

Investment Expenditure from 1/4/15 to 31/12/14	
Purchase of materials and equipment	
Vehicle: Maxity dumper truck	13,900.00 €
Vehicle: Dacia Pick-up truck	6,850.00 €
School bus	108,000.00 €
Various equipment and materials for council workshops and roads	14,729.59 €
IT equipment for the town-hall and primary school	26,671.63 €
Road works	
Rue de Laures	47,020.28 €
Chemin de Baleilles	3,931.20 €
Rural roads	148,148.21 €
Signage and road equipment	8,426.07 €
Building work	
Town Hall	2,517.12 €
Primary School	3,784.45 €
MJC	5,353.32 €
Pollen apartments	2,543.66 €
Roof and facilities of the CFA	8,902.02 €
Swimming pool	8,344.77 €
Gymnasium	4,725.06 €
Summer tennis courts	1,504.87 €
Winter tennis courts	7,877.57 €
Boules pitch	3,773.77 €
Monform	656.40 €
Football pitch	2,302.80 €
Bastide church clock	2,451.60 €
Lamothe Feyt church	809.60 €
Total	433,223.99 €

The technical services team carried out work to improve the condition of several communal buildings:	
Town Hall	1,081.56 €
Primary School	9,746.89 €
Pollen apartments	6,779.51 €
Fitting out the CFA	3,648.75 €
Swimming pool	8,408.50 €
Gymnasium	4,137.37 €
Summer tennis courts	7,138.26 €
Winter tennis courts	6,615.57 €
Boules pitch	2,642.56 €
Table tennis club	1,337.14 €
Monform fitness centre	2,211.00 €
Football pitch	7,505.77 €
Rugby stand	15,017.33 €
Total	76,270.21 €

The total expenditure comes to 509,494.20 €. We financed these investments with the need of one loan only (50,000 euros) for the school bus. The subventions requested by the former council don't appear in the 2014 budget, as they weren't received until the beginning of 2015.

Unfortunately the subventions for the development of the Lidon industrial/business park (20,174,60euros) were lost by the former council who didn't carry out the relevant work planned.

A word from the majority

The financial results (administrative accounts) for the year 2014 are known. They confirm that the past year has been a year of transition and installation of a new team. Will the chosen management team be good for our citizens? To pick out some worrying indicators:

- In terms of investment, very few results to show for it. Only 26,000 euros of building work paid for. A poor show of support for the local economy (less than half of the average of the past 20 years).
- No subsidies received in 2014, which never happened during the previous 50 years. The paperwork prepared by the previous team was nevertheless ready.
- In terms of operations, an increase in expenditure higher than the increase in income (2.2%)

What should we conclude from this? That other attractiveness seems to be privileged over economic attractiveness; for us this is certainly not the right choice.

Patrick WEICK

Our immediate commitments

One year ago, on 30th march 2014, a new council team was elected. We are using his newsletter to give an update on our campaign commitments and the progress made with each main subject.

- 2015 taxes: no tax increase. The tax rates are the same as in 2014 and 2013.
- Indemnities for the councillors: reduced by 15% in relation to the former council team.

Tax	Rate
Habitation (Living tax)	14,06%
Foncier bâti (Land tax - land with property)	18,01%
Foncier non-bâti (Land tax - land without property)	70,82%
CFE (Tax contribution by businesses)	17,47%

Making daily life easier for residents

Review the traffic flow and parking in the village in consultation with its residents

Following the survey undertaken with all the *Monflanquinois* at the beginning of our term in office (in the form of a questionnaire in the July 2014 newsletter), the traffic circulation and parking around the Place des arcades have been modified. The results:

- Cars can still be parked on the Place des Arcades, expect during the summer holiday period (June-September).
- There to be an area without cars (safer and more convivial), during the summer holiday season (June-September).
- Better visibility of the Arcades (a recommendation of the 'Plus beaux villages de France' committee) and of the shops and restaurants.

The dialogue about Rue St Marie and Rue St Pierre is to follow.

Reinforce signage

The *commune* is putting in place a scheme to manage tourism signage. The first step concerns accommodation; hotels, bed and breakfasts and gites. If you would like to participate in this scheme, make yourself known at the Town hall. A meeting will take place shortly.

Make all public services accessible to everyone (conforming to the law)

On 11 February 2005 a law was established for: equality of rights and opportunities, participation and the citizenship of handicapped people, taking into account all forms of handicap, health issues of invalids or mutli-handicapped people, maintaining the travel chain. **We've had ten years to make everywhere conform:** private establishments receiving the public (shops, restaurants, bars etc.) and public buildings (town halls, schools etc). The former council team didn't make any progress with this compulsory project (even though the entrance hall to the Marie was redone in the meantime).

By 1st March 2015 each private establishment had to do a declaration concerning accessibility. The new council met everyone concerned in order to provide them with the necessary information. A meeting was organized on 28th April 2015 with the Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the DDT. As for the publically owned buildings (Town hall, Salle des Consuls, Salle d'Aquitaine, Sales de Fêtes) we are carrying out the same assessment asked of the private establishments.

Accessibility of establishments receiving the Public

Two cases are possible:

- The building was accessible on 1st January 2015. A declaration of honour is sufficient.
- The building didn't conform on 1st January 2015. In this case, the programmed date for accessibility must be accompanied by a detailed calendar and a financial commitment by all owners (or businesses using an establishment). This information must be submitted to the town hall before 27th September 2015. The work has to be completed within three years.

Special dispensation is possible for the very specific cases:

- Technical impossibility (characteristics of the site)
- Preservation of patrimony (attached to a listed building)
- Disproportion of benefits/disadvantages (cost v benefit analysis)

Develop a pedestrian zone along the road to Cancon, providing safe access to the secondary school.

Every day, despite the 'pedestrians not allowed' sign installed by the former council, many secondary school students walk on the edge of the main road to get to the secondary school. Faced with this constant, and in order to avoid accidents, we are going to develop a pedestrian footpath along the road.

The investment of 160,000 euros written into the provisional budget for 2015 was voted for at the council meeting on 14th April 2015. A subvention of 37,000 (from the Department Council) has been requested to which we can add 10,000 euros from police fines.*

*A part of all police fines serves to finance safety on the roads.

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Making the most of our assets

Giving a boost to the Thursday and Sunday markets

Two information signs have been installed at the entry points to the village allowing us to inform the *Monflanquinois* and the tourists of the days, hours and location of the markets. The farmers present on the market on Thursday morning have been asked to supply the school canteen.

Helping new farmers, business owners, and *artisans* to set-up

The removal of the local part of the CFE business tax was voted by the council on 26th August 2014. This exoneration is for business people who have created (or taken over a business in difficulty) and is valid for 3 years. It applies from Jan 2014.

Each quarter, the newsletter presents the new business owners and *artisans* who set up in *our commune*.

Create a ‘Smartening up’ charter for the *bastide* to remain one of the “Most beautiful villages in France”.

In essence, following the inspection visit in 2009, the “Plus beaux villages de France” committee let us keep the label with “very strong reservations” and a number of ‘recommendations’. For one year, every effort has been made to smarten up the *bastide* to keep this very important label:

- A PLUI (land development plan) which conserves a green belt around Monflanquin
- The removal of obsolete signage
- Rules established for terraces (taken down during winter)
- Planting perennials around the arcades (roses) and along the length of the walls (climbing plants)
- Development at the entrances to the village, notably around the commercial and industrial zones.

Make the most of and protect our heritage

- The front of St Andre’s church in Monflanquin has been cleaned (fungus removed)
- The very beautiful Touron resurgence at Labarthe has been cleaned by the association “Green roads to employment”.

Create and promote a cultural programme integrating the existing big events

On Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th March 2015, Monflanquin’s craftsmen and women braved the cold to share their know-how during Monflanquin’s first involvement in the European days of craft professions. We have signed up to be involved again next year.

As for our traditional Monflanquin celebrations, we can from now on add the ‘Festival des arts Franchis’. The second edition will take place 24th- 29th August 2015.

Some new partnerships have developed:

- With ‘L’Ecran Livradais’ so that we can show films once a month.
- With ‘Voix du sud’ (the first concert was on 10th April with Daguerre and Bertille). For the first time, Monflanquin welcomes ‘One night of the summer’ organised by the Lot et Garonne council.
- The council has set-up a state-owned company and so from now on we can organize events ourselves.

Cinema in Monflanquin

Proposed by the village council and the GEM in partnership with l’Ecran Livradais.

Friday 15th May at 6.30pm in the Salles des Consuls

"Why I didn't eat my father". Animated family film by and with Jamel Debbouze.

The next film (to be confirmed) will be on Friday 5th June at 8.30pm.

LETS TALK 'GARDEN'

Saturday 16th May at 5pm

The council suggests that all the *Monflanquinois* meet Stephane Château, a passionate gardener and the manager of the 'green spaces' in the village of Boé. Come and discover his know-how and share your experience of gardening.

Free entry. Aperitif offered at the start of the conference.

Establishing a strong tie between the council and the Monflanquinois

Make the council commissions work and create real consultative committees

Numerous commissions* are open to members of the non-elected residents: Health, Social Action, Culture, Economy, Farming, Planning, Sport. The 'Website' and 'Agriculture festival' committees equally work with the help of non-elected *Monflanquinois*.

The official council meetings are an important moment in the life of the *commune* and all *Monflanquinois* can attend.

**A commission is made up of elected councillors and acts as a council (see list of different member commissions in the June 2014 newsletter). Other non-elected members can be invited to join. A committee is less formal and brings together councillors and non-councillors to work on a given project.*

Prepare a quarterly council newsletter open to the minority council members.

This quarterly newsletter is also available in English. More information from the Mairie.

Update the website regularly

As the old site is technically out of date and very difficult to update, we're designing a new one. This has been planned for in the 2015 budget. We're doing everything we can to get the new site ready this summer.

Reactivate the social action centre (CCAS) for a more united *commune*: dedicated place, trained staff, emergency budget...

The role of the CCAS is to be the orchestra conductor of intergenerational, social or cultural acts of solidarity in our *commune*. Since the start of our mandate a fruitful collaboration has seen the day, thanks to an internal re-organisation and the efforts of each of the social partners (institutions and associations). Our fields of action are varied and evolve in function with the needs to the population and the resources available.

- **The emergency help service** (food and heating): After evaluation of the situation and consultation with social workers (MSA, Lot et Garonne council) and the partner associations (Secours Populaire, Croix Rouge, Restos du Coeur, Secours Catholique, Paroisse), the CCAS grants support to those in need. Being as reactive as possible, they try to foresee the recurrence of a painful situation.

- **Access to rights** (APL, APA, RSA, CMU...) People often just need clearer information about their rights. Sometimes it's help with creating an application or just directing someone towards the right competent partner.
- **Addressing unsuitable living conditions** is also one of our preoccupations.
- **The local top-up health insurance project** that we've been working on since our mandate started is finally going to be offered to residents of the *commune* (from September). We have just chosen a provider.
- **The APREVA service** allows us to offer social car rental to get to a work experience or training venue, a job interview or even to go to work (conditions apply). Since this service was put in place the vehicles have been rented for 76 days, proving that this action responds to a real demand.
- **Local job offers** are published every Monday in the entrance hall of the town hall. It is equally possible to consult them by internet with the help of Isabelle Soufflet.
- A project called "take care of our elderly" was proposed at the end of the year to all residents of the retirement home. Everyone received a hairdressing voucher. This initiative was very well received.

These examples of projects initiated during the last year are proof that, even with a small budget, local solidarity makes a difference. The only necessary ingredients are respect of others, ideas, motivation, discussion and collaboration.

The CCAS team is here to help you

Subventions given by the CCAS to various charitable associations during 2014	
Association des donneurs de sang	650€
Maison des femmes	500€
Comité des 4 cantons (Secours Populaire)	400€
Secours catholique	400€
SOS sur-endettement	350€
Association France Parkinson	300€
Ligue Nationale Contre le cancer	100€

Act in favour of the children and the school. Restore the dialogue between teachers and parents by constructing a coherent extra-curricular activities programme.

The dialogue between teachers and parents, exhausted by the former council, was re-established in the first few months. This has notably enabled the new school timetable to be put in place (national decree f24 January 2013). To remind you, the school timetable proposed by the former council wasn't validated.

Extra-curricular activities coordinated by Jessica DEBEZIS

A number of activities have been proposed since the beginning of the year : artistic creation, **quiet time**, group sports, food-health, rhythmic gymnastics, library studies, comic-book drawing, introduction to music, first aid, environment, scrabble, dance, hip-hop, chess, computer assisted drawing, judo, games in English.... The number of pupils participating remains stable: around 41 pupils at the nursery school (74% of pupils) and 105 pupils at the primary school (88% of pupils). The council congratulates those concerned for these well-run activities.

Supervised study sessions

Designed for the CM1 and CM2 students (9-11 year olds). **We sincerely thank all the volunteers who have devoted time to the children.** We think that they have benefited and we'll make an assessment at the end of the year so that we can plan the continuation of this project.

The extra-curricular activities and the supervised study sessions are totally free for families. The cost is 100% covered by the town hall.

Supporting school projects

We've supported a number of projects in progress at the primary school: Mme Marsalet's cinema school, Mme Albiget's class 'discovery' trip, Mme Thonon's theatre project. A proposal is being outlined before reviving the swimming activity (CP and CE1 classes) for next year.

Supporting all the associations responsible for our *commune's* dynamism.

Subsidies given economic and cultural associations in 2014		
Association	Total subsidy 2014	of which exceptional subsidy
GEM	32,000 €	5,400 € 3-day medieval festival
Pollen	17,000 €	
MJC	5,750 €	750 € St André 2014 exhibition
Baroque festival	3,500 €	
ACAM	1,750 €	1,000 € Spring Fair
De l'un à l'autre	1,500 €	1,000 € Village concerts
Les dynamiques de Mondésir	1,250 €	
Les amis de Janouille		800 € Janouille 20th birthday
Les Verts à pieds	600 €	
Prométhée	500 €	
Radio4	500 €	
Les amis du bourg de Lamothe Fey	150 €	

Subsidies given to the sports associations in 2014		
Sports association	Total subsidies 2014	+ exceptional subsidies
USM rugby club	6,000 €	+ 3,000 € pour maintien en Fédérale 3
Monflanquin football club	3,500 €	+ 700€ 'Plus beaux villages de France' tournament
USM women's rugby club	1,000 €	
Equestrian society	600 €	
Boules club	500 €	
Fishing society	600 €	
Hunting society	500 €	
Cycling club	300 €	
Gym club	200 €	
Walking club	150€	
Monflanquin athletics club		250 € Course des Templiers

Update on the sports associations and sports equipment

Other than subsidies given to the sports associations, the council has financed a number of maintenance or improvement projects relating to the sports facilities:

- Reinforce the lightening for the boules pitch (necessary to increase the amperage)
- Put ball nets around the football pitch
- Secure the football club house
- Making the gymnasium roof water-tight (tennis court side)
- New roof and complete refurbishment of the inside of the exterior tennis club house (44m2)

Pursue investment for sports facilities

The sports commission has listed the equipment that requires expensive and relatively urgent work:

- Redo the flood light project on the football ground
- Find a hall adapted for the gym/fitness activities
- Rework the swimming pool surrounds (rugby pitch side): make the relaxation space larger. A second parasol gives a little more shade.

Using means for mutual benefit

From here on, the rugby club house welcomes the hunters, who have their own room in there. The football and equestrian society occasionally use this big space for larger celebrations. The club for the elderly will also soon share this space.

Subsidies given to other associations

Amicale des Sapeurs Pompiers	1,000 €
École des Jeunes Sapeurs Pompiers	250 €
PACT47 (Habitat)	240 €
Médaillés militaires	200 €
Association Aménagement Vallée du Lot	195 €
Prévention routière (road safety education)	50 €

Clear and transparent relationships

The council now has a contract with each of the associations. The objective is:

- to fix common rules about using buildings
- to make the users responsible for the buildings: switching off lights, having access, ownership and circulation of keys, sharing space....

Also, each subsidy request has to be accompanied by a explanation of the activity, the annual accounts and a provisional budget.

A sporting celebration in tribute to Jean-Luc Boisserie

One year ago, Jean Luc Boisserie, an important figure in the world of Monflanquin associations suddenly passed away at the age of 48 ans. Initiated by the rugby club where he was president, the Monflanquin sports clubs have decided to pay homage to him by organising a fun sports day on 13th June 2015 at the Coulon stadium.

Throughout the day, several tournament-style activities are taking place (football, rugby, basket, athletics, assault course) for teams of 10 people. Conviviality will be the theme of the day, since this is what he will be remembered for. The event will finish with an evening BBQ at the stadium and the live showing of the 'Top 14' rugby final.

Our projects for the *commune*

Boosting our economy

Reinforce and support local agriculture by encouraging 'local consumption' (e.g. canteens using local produce)

Monflanquin has been selected to participate in the Lot et Garonne's 'consume local' council project "Du bon, du beau, du local". It's within this framework that school canteen chef Nicolas Maman and assistant chef Maryse Pages have undergone several days of training to learn how to cook local food in an economical way.

All the farmers in the Commune were solicited to supply the school canteen and some local foods are now being used in the canteen.

The 14th April 2014, Monflanquin obtained the label "Area committed to organic farming" thanks to nine agricultural exploitations which together total 319 hectares of organic farming land (7.43% of the useful agricultural land).

Find a durable solution for the unoccupied buildings belonging to the *Commune*.

Put the Sierra house up for sale (sold for 25,500 euros) as agreed in the council meeting on 19 March 2015.

Improve road maintenance

In 2014 more than 175,000 euros were invested to improve the roads and rural paths in the *Commune*, including the road to Laures. For 2015 we have already invested 22,000 euros in the maintenance of public footpaths. These work projects have been taken on by the Association re-insertion "Green roads to employment".

Be careful of vegetation growing out into the road

The council would like to remind those residents who have invasive vegetation: If your plants, trees and hedges extend onto public areas, we ask you to cut them back so that they remain on your private property. Thank you in advance. If nothing is done, we will be obliged to have them cut by a private company who will in turn send you the bill!

Monflanquin organises its first agricultural festival, Friday 7th August 2015

In the programme: farm visits, guided agricultural walks, possibility to eat local farm produce on-site. We are still looking for a name for this event. Have you got any ideas?

Encouraging social and territorial cohesion

Develop the 'Chemin de Baleilles' road, creating a direct link between the top and the bottom of the village.

This 290,000 euro investment written into the 2015 budget was voted for by the council on 14th April 2015. A subvention of 60,000 euros has been requested (from the parliamentary reserve) .
A meeting to inform local residents took place on 18th April 2015.

Private drainage

A technician from the agency Eau 47 and SPANC, the public service organisation that controls private water systems, came to Monflanquin to do a check on septic tanks that deposit waste water beyond property boundaries. A list of 50 properties whose septic tanks do not conform was prepared and sent to the town-hall. The mayor organised a meeting on Thursday 12th March 2015 with Mr Frayret, the technician from Eau 47, and the property owners concerned. With a supporting video, Mr Frayret explained that compliance is a voluntary step and significant financial help is available.

Thanks to the town-hall team

To make all these projects happen during the past year, we have strongly solicited all the town-hall staff: both administrative and technical. Thank you to everyone. Thank you also to the *Monflanquinois* who have invested their time on various projects.

Informative text message

An orange alert, a public meeting or important information to communicate....the town hall suggests informing you by text message. If this service interests you, please contact us on 05 53 36 40 05 to give us your name and mobile phone number.

1914-1918 deaths

Claude Bertrand is asking for help. Can anyone supply him with information about:
BONNET Léopold, DELSON Louis, MELON Pierre, RABAUB Jean-Marie.

They are registered on the 1914-1918 communal death list, but we can't find any civilian or military trace of them. Email: cle.bertrand@xanadoo.fr Tel : 05 53 36 43 16 (evenings)

Buildings in poor state and energy consuming

Monflanquin owns a number of buildings which means we are able to carry out a lot of activities, put on a lot of performances and present a lot of exhibitions. Unfortunately, due to lack of maintenance, these buildings are in a very poor condition. Some considerable budgetary commitments have already been made during this first year in office. Other investments, for example, the roof of the Monform (85,000-euro investment written into the 2015 budget) are to follow.

All the heating systems in the village-owned buildings are very old and the boiler has to be changed in every building except for the primary school. For example, the town hall boiler dates from the 70s. Also, the buildings are barely or not at all insulated. This situation currently generates important fuel costs: 64,000 euros in 2014 and more than 86,000 in 2013 with a colder winter.

Employing town-hall staff: conforming with the law

Managing the town-hall staff: a joint and responsible step

Within the framework of a new personnel committee, we have together considered on the one hand complying with the legal paperwork governing the employment conditions of town-hall employees and on the other hand, how we put the law into practice so that their way of working is more efficient. After thought and consultation with the relevant personnel, these decisions are in the process of being applied.

- **As the law imposes (since Feb 2007), the town-hall employees have the right to benefit from a social action plan.** This measure is an obligation for the town-hall employer. The supplier chosen by the personnel committee is the CNAS: the town hall is finally conforming to its legal obligation.
- **To encourage teamwork**, some temporary contractors have just been offered permanent job contracts.
- **To enable annual work planning** (and annual holidays), the town-hall employees can from here on ask to open a 'time' savings account (CET)

We are sure that these joint decisions will motivate everyone to fulfill their mission for the Monflanquinois.

16 new enrollments at the nursery school. Necessary building work to be done!

The plan to welcome children under 3 years old is going to allow around 16 very small people to be taught from September 2015. There will as a result be 66 children taught at the nursery school during the next academic school year (compared to 57 in 2014). This means we have to adapt the premises (dormitory, new classroom, kitchen) to accommodate everyone. To do that, we have to find a new canteen for the primary school children (6-11). We plan to develop the 3rd age society's current meeting room into a canteen. The elderly have agreed to meet in the rugby club house for the time being.

The investment needed to carry out this work is very significant:

- Creating a classroom, dormitory, heating system will cost around 225,000 euros.
- Changing the 3rd age meeting room into a canteen will cost 105,000 euros.

The budget for this work takes into account the cost of insulation and a new heating system (the one in the nursery school being obsolete). This work will eventually help us save 3000 euros per year on heating bills.

Jean-Luc BONNEL (photo)

New self-employed artisan set up in Monflanquin at 8 route de Savignac. Offers plumbing, heating, electricity, smoke detectors, chimney sweeping, air-conditioning services. He has carried out these activities for 25 years as an employee in the region and is now self-employed. Originally from the Lot et Garonne, Jean-Luc has lived in Monflanquin for six years with his wife and three children. You can contact him on 05 53 41 64 99 or 06 88 20 99 68 or by email bonnel.jean-luc@orange.fr

Jean-Claude CLOUET (photo)

Jean-Claude has offered installation and breakdown services since February for electricity, air-conditioning and heat pumps. He has lived with his family in Corconat for 28 years. He acquired his experience with electricity companies in Villeneuve. His contact details: 05 53 49 11 03 et 07 89 50 09 82 or email : clouet13@orange.fr

Citizen Call

If you have the time and want to participate more in village life, we need your help for the creation of a new website and the quarterly newsletter: information to check, associations to meet, design (illustration). All volunteers are welcome. Contact the town hall secretary. Thank you in advance.

Civil List from 14th January 2015 to 14th April 2015**Births:**

17th March PICHON Manon, Maëva, Maëlys
11th April DE COPPI Maxence

Marriages:

11th April DUBOIS Eric, Didier et JANICKI Cécile, Brigitte, Lucile (21, rue des Cannelles)

Deaths

2nd January BAYLET Marie
3rd January CANTAYRE Jean, Roger
19th January COSSU René, Lucien, Valentin
25th January MÉTAIREAU Modeste, widow JANSOU
26th January BRUGNARO Robert, Charles
28th January FRET Noël, Marcel, Paul
5th February DESCAMPS Alain, Henri, Gérard, Marie, Ghislain
8th February BOURDIER Bernard
13th February DUPEYRON Jeannine, Fernande
18th February CARNEJAC Georges, Robert
26 February GACON Micheline, Renée, Jeanne, Marie, Josèphe

27 th February	FELYBABA Maria, widow GIRÉMUS
8 th March	VIEILARD Mauricette, Céline, Mathilde,
15 th March	BRIFFEILLE André
20 th March	MOUILLAC Marilyne, married LEFRANC
20 th March	CLAUZEL Eugène
26 th March	BURGAL-BEGUIN Lucas, Elie
29 th March	SCHENKELBERG Anna, Katharina
14 th April	CATINEL Marcelle, épouse BROUSSE

Deaths of people born in Monflanquin who died elsewhere:

1 st March	DELLUC Gabriel
6 th March	LARROQUE Gilberte
7 th April	DEFORGES Jean, René

We apologise to those families concerned regarding those deaths before 14th January not mentioned in our last bulletin.

26th November	LAGARRIGUE Germaine épouse Lavelle
5th January	CEOLA Christiane Pierre, married SALLEFRANQUE
8th January	BOUFFINI Patrick, Jacques, Richard, Paul

Exhibitions

The **GEM** is showing exhibitions from 13th May to 4th September in the Salle Aquitaine.

Exhibitions at **POLLEN**, 25 rue Sainte-Marie.

- J CHAFFORT et N. LA HARGUE, artists in residence, from 15th May to 17th July
- African season: photographs by SORY SANLE and videos by F. DUCAT from 3rd August to 25th September

	MAY
Sat 30 th	Concert in the village: Uncle Joe (Folk Jamaican / Calypso / Mento) at La Cave, Place des Arts, at 9pm
	JUNE
Sat 6 th & 13 th	The Baroud theatre company presents « The Invisibles », in the homes of Monflanquin residents (06 63 16 21 98).
Fri 19 th	Concert in the village: Louis and The Royal Pickles (Swing) at La Cave, place des arts, at 9pm
Sun 21 st	Music Festival from 2.30pm in the main square plus Prince Noir choir in the protestant temple.
Sat 27 th	Saint Jean festival, on the Place du 8 Mai.
	JULY
Sat 4 th	Prince Noir choir, 9pm at Monflanquin church
Sat 11 th	Concert in the village: The Jerry Khan Bangers (Rock & Roll 50's) at La Cave, Place des Arts, at 9pm
Mon 13 th & Tues 14 th	Antiques fair on the main square.
Tues 14 th	Dance and fireworks.
12 th - 24 th	Baroque evenings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wed 15th : Bernard JANSSENS conference "8 centuries of Venetian music" Salle Aquitaine at 9pm • Fri 17th : Cor'Azul vocal group concert: "Livre Vermeil de Monserrat" Saint Aubin church at 9pm • Monday 20th: Scandicus vocal group concert : "Un Parangon de la Polyphonie" at Villeréal church at 9pm • Friday 24th: Concert by the Baroques Evenings apprentice choir (60 singers): J S. BACH - Cantates BWV 4 and 150, Antonio CALDARA - Missa Dolorosa. Monflanquin church at 9pm. Manager: Bernard JANSSENS.
Wed 22 nd	"This lady wears trousers". The story of Joan of Arc created by Allan Withington and interpreted by musicians, dancers, soloists, and French and Norwegian choirs. At 9.30pm on the Place des arcades.
Sat 25 th	Concert in the village: Tiwiza (Gnawa / berbère music) at La Cave, Place des Arts, 9pm.
Thurs 30 th	<p>"A summer's evening" funded by the Lot et Garonne council: Bus discovery tour from 2.30pm to 6.30pm: two routes to discover the well-known and less well-known architectural and natural heritage of the canton. Free. Reservations: 05 53 36 40 19.</p> <p>From 6.30pm on the Place des Arcades, the Lot et Garonne archives department will show thousands of registered documents reflecting the life of the canton and its inhabitants over the centuries. You can eat at the local farmers evening market. At 9pm on the Cap del Pech there will be a free performance.</p>

	AUGUST
Sat 1 st	Star-gazing night
Thurs 6 th	The Gélohann theatre company presents " Moliere's theatre " (extracts from his plays) at La Salle des Consuls at 9pm.
Sat 15 th & Sun 16 th	<p>Medieval Festival: 1294 The return of the Capetians.</p> <p>The bastide celebrates 'Philippe le Bel'.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday: opening of the 25th medieval festival with the grand parade. Banquet animated with fire show. • Sunday: Final grand parade followed by fire show. • During the 2 days: animation in the streets, taverns, medieval games, animal performances, magic and snake charmer, falconer
Sun 16 th	At the Grange de Piquemil : "Poil de Carotte" by Jules RENARD. 6pm.
Sat 22 nd	Concert in the village: Paganella (Rock) + Afro Social Club (Afro Beat) Place Bernard Palissy.
Thurs 27 th	Concert in the village: Les Pistons Flingueurs (Fanfare / Chanson) at La Cave, Place des Arts, at 9pm.
Mon 24 th -Sat 29 th	<p>The arts' franchis festival (2nd edition)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon: opening in the main square • Tues: songs, bossa, jazz in the main square • Wed: Chamber music concert , Villeréal church • Thurs: musical theatre: The story of soldier Stravinsky: Grange de Piquemil. • Fri : symphony concert, Monflanquin church at 7.30pm • Sat: The story of soldier Stravinsky followed by singing, Salle des Consuls, at 7.30pm
Sun 30 th	At the Grange de Piquemil: Henri COURSEAUX performs "Moncuq à Piquemil" at 6pm