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**LAURENTIAN CLUB OF CANADA**

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**Welcome to the 2011-2012 season of speakers. The meetings are in English, discussion is lively and refreshments will be served. Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month, September through April, (excluding December), plus the Annual General Meeting and Luncheon in May.**

**Trinity Church Hall  
12 Préfontaine West, Ste. Agathe  
Time: 1:30 p.m.**

**Fall Programme 2011**

**September 27, 2011: Anne Lagacé Dowson: *The new information glut, social media, old media and the library. How they can be used to debate issues and build community.***

Anne Lagacé Dowson is a well-known Montreal radio personality, formerly at CBC, who now hosts 'Saturday in Montreal' on CJAD. Trained as a journalist, she has developed an expert understanding of the role social media can play alongside old media and the services provided by libraries.

**October 25, 2011: Joanna Nash: *Why sketching makes us more intelligent.***

Joanna Nash is a career painter, author and experienced art instructor. She lives and works in Arundel, where she offers workshops, individual coaching, and constructive painting critiques to visual artists at advanced and semi-professional levels of experience. She also teaches drawing workshops to engineering students at McGill, to Medical students at Harvard Medical School in Boston, and to the general public at the Haliburton School of the Arts in Ontario.

**November 22, 2011: Sûreté du Québec: *Senior Aware***

The SQ, along with FADOQ and the CSSS Cavendish in Montreal, has developed an awareness program for seniors addressing abuse and fraud. A police officer and a volunteer together outline the various kinds of fraud and abuse that seniors are vulnerable to, including the most common one, financial fraud, and demonstrate how to identify and cope with them. Even if you haven't been a victim yourself, you likely know someone who has. People who have attended this presentation elsewhere recommend it highly.

Annual Membership Fees are \$25.00 per person and we are actively seeking new members. Guests are most welcome (\$10.00). Come and bring along a friend. Please share your ideas for future speakers, or changes that would help keep the Laurentian Club relevant and effective.