



Pettes' Annual Campaign

Pettes is seeking your help in off-setting our operating costs for 2026. Your financial support goes towards building and grounds maintenance, electricity, heating/cooling, technology costs and minimal, but essential staff. Donations may be made:

- ❖ **by cheque** payable to Pettes Memorial Library.

Note: Please drop cheques off at the library to avoid postal service interruptions.

- ❖ **online at** www.pettes.ca (through Canada Helps)
- ❖ **or scan** the QR Code below (through Canada Helps).

For donations of \$20 or more, made before December 27, 2025, a tax receipt can be issued for 2025.

Thank you for your generosity!



EXPANSION PROJECT: Breaking Ground

We are pleased to announce that The Pettes Expansion Project is underway. After adjusting to the fact that the library would not be receiving provincial funding, The Board of Directors has reformatted the project into three phases.

Phase 1 – The Annexe: Thanks to the generosity of the community- at- large and the Town of Brome Lake, construction of The Annexe is scheduled to commence in Spring 2026 with an opening in Summer 2027. The services of the prestigious architectural firm, Chevalier Morales, have been secured and the team is already at work.

Phase 2 – Landscaping/Parking: The Town of Brome Lake has generously committed funds to this phase of the project. Landscaping and Parking area will be executed in harmony with the town's needs and the beautification of Coldbrook Park. Work will likely commence shortly after the construction of Phase 1, with much of the pre-planning already underway.

Phase 3 – Restoration and Refurbishment of the Existing Structure: Our beautiful existing structure will remain largely intact until further notice. As funds will need to be secured, The Board of Directors anticipates a launch of a Capital Campaign. Dates for both the financial campaign and construction to be determined.

Stay tuned to www.pettes.ca for more information as this project unfolds.



Left: A montage of the 2025 Pettes colouring contest participants. Thank you to everyone who submitted an entry!

Pettes @ Brome Fair

Pettes would like to thank the Brome Fair, who reached out to local not-for-profit organizations and offered free kiosk space at this year's fair, allowing Pettes to provide Fair attendees with information about the library, and free memberships to people living in the Town of Brome Lake.



LIBRARY HOURS:

- Tuesday to Friday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Saturday & Sunday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Monday: **CLOSED**

Activities at Pettes

Thank you to our partners, volunteers, authors and staff for supporting events at Pettes:

ANNUAL BOOK SALE:

- ❖ Thanks to our dedicated volunteers, attendees, and community **\$16,600** was raised, which will go to supporting our annual operating costs.

EXHIBITIONS:

- ❖ To-date in 2025 Pettes had exhibitions by the following artists : **Allan Mass, Isabelle Daval, Les élèves de l'Ecole St Edouard, Rhonda Price, Denyse Lamontagne and Ginette Richard** . If you are interested in exhibiting at Pettes, please contact Ingrid Bird at: 450 243-6128.

NATURE NERDING:

- ❖ **Jessica Adams** ran two "nature nerding" sessions this year, the first on BIRDS and the second on SEEDS, with a third session planned for later in the winter. Coupled with kid friendly reading on various nature subjects, these sessions are a fun filled hands-on approach to learning.

STORY and a SNACK:

- ❖ **Reminder!** Pettes holds a storytime every third Sunday at 11 a.m. The specific dates are on our website at: www.pettes.ca/storytime.

Pettes Board of Directors

We are grateful to be a part of a community of volunteers, and especially to the following persons who sit on our Library Board. Their passion and dedication is essential to Pettes Library's strategic mission. We thank them for their time and expertise.

President: Jane Livingston.

Directors: Jennifer Brodeur, Debbi Eaman, Sophie Giroux, Caroline Hui, Clare Lord, Tara Moar, and Jana Valasek , Ex officio.

NEW: Pettes Advisory Board

Pettes has a new Advisory Board comprised of individuals with specific skill sets and expertise. These generous people will be called upon by the Board of Directors as needed. The library is delighted to have Annmarie Adams, (Architectural Historian and professor at McGill University), Georges Darche, BSc (Engineering, McGill), and Lola Landes (retired business woman, former Executive Director of The BMP Foundation).