

# DEUX-MONTAGNES' ARTISANS COOPERATIVE

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From left to right: Karen McKenna, Linda Loso and Barbara Baur.

I arrived at a meeting that took place at the CEDEC LLL office concerning the Charter for the Deux-Montagnes' Artisans' Coop, which will formally adopt the name Sur les Ailes des Artisans/On the Wings of the Artisans, Coop de Solidarite.

Once the paperwork for the Charter has been completed, the founding members, Linda Loso, Barbra Baur and Karen McKenna, will be opening a boutique in the back of the CEDEC LLL office. The working hours have not yet been confirmed, but you will find them on the Community Connections website – [www.communityconnections.com](http://www.communityconnections.com) once they have been determined. The group is working towards opening the boutique in October or November 2007.

Mr. Martin Gauthier, councillor in Corporate Development for the Cooperative of Regional Development for Outaouais-Larentides was at the meeting to encourage the founding members, and to answer their questions. Linda, Barb and Karen are very proud to say that things are moving along at a steady pace. And, if anyone has any questions or suggestions they can e-mail us at [ailesdesartisans@gmail.com](mailto:ailesdesartisans@gmail.com)

I am glad these artisans will have a temporary location to sell their wares. So far, they will have Barbara Baur of Chanderville selling her candles, Linda Loso selling her lace, lampshades and other delicate crafts as well as giving courses, and Karen McKenna of Karen's Kreations selling her hand made magnetic jewellery. They have 15 members with a wide variety of quality hand crafted goods. And, each artisan is willing to stand behind her product, wishing you to be satisfied with what you will have purchased.

I hope you will encourage them by stopping at 1601A Oka Road and purchase something from them. Linda Loso has extended an invitation to you saying, "Come and check us out, come and have a cup of coffee with us." I'm sure that you will be pleased with the items you buy, which can be given as Christmas gifts, or for other special occasions.

If anyone is interested in more information about starting a Co-op, you could contact Mr. Martin Gauthier at [mgauthier@cdrol.coop](mailto:mgauthier@cdrol.coop)