

Annual Report  
Champlain Echoes

The spring of 2012 began with new leadership and the process of rebuilding! We chose to attend AC&C in Montreal not to compete but to learn, listen to the fabulous music and enjoy our weekend together.

Our annual spring flower sale with the help of a local greenhouse was a success and each year along with a locally made fudge sale helps to keep us afloat financially.

During the summer we continued to work on a plan to recruit new members through a series of guest nights that began in the fall. We also held sewing bees to update costumes for current and new members; a project that will continue throughout the year.

The fall and winter brought several fundraisers and many performances at our local senior centers, many of whom we had not been in touch with for some time. The local Cancer Walkathon asked us to perform again this year and we greeted the participants with song as they arrived at the field. It was uplifting and a lot of fun. We celebrated the Christmas season with performances at the local mall as well as with our senior friends.

Through out the year we have grappled with where we are going and how we will get there. We have not found all the answers but what has become apparent is that we want to keep singing, performing in our community and competing at AC&C.

So we look forward to seeing everyone in Leominster!

Sincerely,  
Paula Verrastro  
Champlain Echoes, President