



INTERVIEW



Kerry Ann Babin

*Community Advocate
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Q. Place of birth?

Lawrence, Massachusetts
 Lawrence has been aptly nicknamed the "Immigrant City".



Q. Did you choose the Restigouche (NB) or did it choose you? I moved to Canada with my mother and step-father in 1989. I was 17 years old. I lived in Listuguj, QC for seven years. Met my late husband in 1995 and moved to NB, fell in love with Campbellton and the surrounding area. It will always be my home.

Helping people remains my greatest passion.

Q. Best advice you ever received? *Live for today.* I was given this advice in my first year of sobriety in 1996.

Q. What are you most proud of? *My sons* They make me so proud of the young men they have become and continue to be.

Q. Who was your hero in your youth? Today?



Growing up: *Wonder Woman*
 I know she was just a character but I always felt she had honor and strength

Today: *Michelle Obama*



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Raymart C. Luge

*Associate Minister,
 Life Church Campbellton, NB*



Q. Place of birth?
 Manila, Philippines

Q. You chose NB or did it choose you? I feel like New Brunswick chose me. My plan was to go home after my

graduation here in New Brunswick. But that plan obviously changed as I feel like this is the place where I need to be.



Q. Your passion? Helping my community, and helping newcomers feel welcomed. I was a newcomer who struggled a lot when I first moved here. I am thankful for all the people who helped me in this process, and one thing I know I could do as a token of my appreciation is to help others who are experiencing what I have experienced before.

Q. You have the opportunity to dine with anyone from human history, you choose?

Martin Luther King, Jr



Q. Your advice to the newcomer to your Region (New Brunswick / Canada)?

You are not alone. When you get homesick, do not detach yourselves from others, but find a way to connect to a community. Belonging is a basic human need. I know you can find friends and new families you can belong to.



**Filipino-Canadian
 Community of New Brunswick**

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Financial partner:





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Tara Thorne
 Settlement Worker
 at
 The Multicultural
 Association
 of Sussex



Q. Place of birth? I was born in Sussex, NB

Q. Did you choose New Brunswick, or did it choose you? A little bit of both. My

ancestors settled in New Brunswick in the mid 1800's. Most of my family has been here since.

Q. Your passion? My family. I genuinely love being a mother.

My other passions include gardening and hobby farming. My end goal in life is to live totally off grid.

To live a self-sustainable life and leave as little of an environmental impact as possible. Also, to teach my children to do the same.



Q. Best life advice ever? *The 24 hour rule! It is relationship advice though, it can be applied to any social interaction and situation, too. If you are upset with someone wait 24 hours before bringing it up. After that waiting period, if you are still upset bring it up with the other person. If

not, it was not worth it. *Advice received from my mom who is a wealth of knowledge – and, I take everything she says to heart

Q. In your opinion what are the challenges (and benefits) for the newcomer? The challenges are so many: language, housing, adapting to different cultures, and racism. Benefits include: meeting new people, being able to share your own culture with others., bringing cultural diversity to new places and new opportunities.

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Did you know?



Restigouche is my home!

The RMA will provide newcomers with the necessary resources to assist with their integration into the communities of Restigouche and therefore will contribute to the economic development and growth of the region.

The RMA has activities and opportunities for everyone!



Visit our website to view our calendar of events.

All are welcome! Newcomers and other members of the communities can actively participate in the many cultural activities scheduled throughout the year.

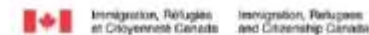
These are great opportunities to meet new people, network and interact with your neighbors.



The RMA offers the following services:

- ◆ Matching program
- ◆ Conversation circle
- ◆ Settlement and integration
- ◆ Pre-employment service
- ◆ Local information

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Become a RMA volunteer

The RMA offers volunteer opportunities. Several volunteer posts are now available in three service categories:

- ◆ Accompanying newcomers
- ◆ Events and activities
- ◆ Language assistance for newcomers

Volunteering with the RMA allows you to learn about other cultures and make a positive impact on a newly arrived family in Restigouche.

Contact us today to make an appointment to meet with one of our counsellors.

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