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Gathering in Wendake

August 28, 2010

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d'Amérique du Nord.



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répertoriées dans Burke
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Armoiries d'Ernest Mercier

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The Association was incorporated by letters patent April 19, 1985 and registered the same day in Volume 1194, folio 160, in accordance with Part III of the Quebec Companies Act (R.S.Q. Chap. C-38, s. 218).

The objects of the association are as follows :



1. To organize Mercier gatherings in North America and especially in the Province of Quebec.
2. To publish regularly in Quebec, in the form of a newsletter, information on Mercier families of North America and Europe.
3. To collect and disseminate information on the accomplishments of those who have brought recognition to the Mercier name throughout the world.
4. To promote the identification, restoration and preservation of buildings and objects of value that belonged to Merciers, who have left their mark in North America and in Europe.
5. To get the Merciers of the world to become concerned about the preservation of their heritage, to become interested in genealogical studies and in stories about those who will not make it into the history books.
6. To create and develop a non-profit foundation whose purpose would be to achieve the objects mentioned above.
7. The objects will not, however, permit donors or their beneficiaries to recover in any way the funds which will have been given to the corporation.



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Annually :	\$25
Life membership, 65 years and older :	\$250
Life membership, less than 65 years of age :	\$400
Governor :	\$1,000

Those amounts are in U.S. currency for U.S. residents and in euros for European residents.

This newsletter is named after the kingdom of Mercia which existed from the 7th to the 10th centuries. It was one of the seven original kingdoms constituting England. The inhabitants of that territory must have been called Merciens (or Mercien in French).

We are proud to perpetuate that name today.

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Word of the President

Here we are in the Summer once again. What's more, this is the 25th year of the AMAN. We can be proud to say that we were there on the very first reunion in Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré in 1986, in the chapel of the basement of the *Basilique*, and after that, in 1987, on the first assembly both in Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré and in Beaupré! Twenty-five years is a lot and is little at the same time. That remind us that the next annual reunion will be held in the Québec region, once again. In Wendake, birthplace of the Huron, who, after leaving the Great Lakes region to escape from war and prevent annihilation, settled definitively at this place. Dolorès has prepared a program that we could consult in part in the last issue. You will find in the present issue the complete program as well as the convocation notice to the annual assembly. We hope that you will come in great number to appreciate the hospitality of one of the first nations who have lived in America. What's more, we will have the occasion to assist to a special presentation of a video presented and commented by a former president, Pierre-Paul, on the arrival of the Merciers in America on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the AMAN. It will be possible to have a copy of this video on a dvd format during the reunion.

Who says annual reunion, also says nominations of persons to represent the members on the Board of directors to administrate your association. Three positions will be available and the persons can be re-elected.



Given their respective responsibilities, members of the Board can take charge of the administrative elements. An announcements in a previous issue help us found a few other persons who are working hard on updating a register of genealogical data for the mean of editing a dictionary of the marriages of the Merciers since the beginnings in Canada until today. The work is in progress and is still going on.

There is still room for a few other volunteer workers in the updating of the genealogical data that we could describe as precise data, in particular those of specific places like the Maritimes, Ontario, the west Canadian provinces and the United States of America. A great part of the Merciers have settle in those places. We hope our dictionary will be ready for next year. A big thank you to all these persons.

On another subject, we would need collaborators to translate from French to English for some texts and sometimes from English to French. That would be a great help to us, and would allow AMAN to spare a few dollars and to better meet our deadlines.

Until we meet in Wendake on August 28th.

Benoit

Presentation

The most part of this issue is, for an association like ours, about what constitutes the event of the year. As a matter of fact, the annual assembly is the occasion for the participants to take part in the wellbeing of the association. Even if the number of members is sometimes modest, the exchanges are positives and stimulating for every one of us. We wish to see you in great number on August 28, 2010.

Pierre-Paul (19), our former president, great traveller, peculiarly interested by his origins which are also ours, has done a good job with *L'arrivée des Mercier en Amérique* (The arrival of the Merciers in America). It is a remarkable document who allows us to imagine, for some of us, and to know better for others, the living environment of our ancestors. Another work piece for the knowledge of history. The presentation of this video

certainly adds interest to our assembly. Read more about it in this issue : What's new!

The 13th Salon des familles souches will be held in St-Hyacinthe on October 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 2010 at the Galeries St-Hyacinthe. It would be interesting for our members and for the Merciers in general that our association be present, but that cannot be done without the participation of a few volunteer workers of the region.

We are expecting to hear from you.

See you soon.

Jean

Jean-Guy Mercier (1417)

In the issue of our 2009 Spring newsletter, we have talk about him and given to him on the occasion of our general annual assembly of the same year, a certificate of honorary member showing our appreciation of his availability and his devotion at all time. Our deepest condolences to his wife, Claudette and to his children and grandchildren.



Jean-Guy, Jean, Benoit and ...

Jean-Guy Mercier 1937 - 2010 At his home, on June 14, 2010, at age 72 years old and 9 months, decessed Mr. Jean-Guy Mercier, husband of Mrs. Claudette Fortin, son of the late Mr. Majorique mercier and of the late

Mrs. Juliette Dumont. He was living in Québec City, formerly in Lévis. The religious service was celebrate, in presence of his ashes, on Saturday, June 19, 2010 at 10:00 am in the Notre-Dame-de-Lévis' church, 18, rue Notre-Dame in Lévis where the family has received the condolences an hour before the ceremony. The inhumation of his ashes will be made on another time. He lives to mourn, other that in wife, his sons: Éric and Jean-Yves (Marie-Claude Brière); his beloved grandchildren: Majoric and Sara; his step brother and step-sisters: Yvon (Suzanne Veilleux), Lucette (Gary Postill), late Diane (Paul Plante), Murielle (Yvan Mercier), Christine (René Lefebvre), Guylaine (Richard Maheux); his niece Alicia Maheux; his aunt Marie-Paule Mercier and all nephews, nieces, cousins, his dear friends who help and support him during is against his disease: Gérard and Lise Larochelle and Roger Mercier. The family wish to show his appreciation for the great availability and the quality of the care given by all the stakeholders and would like to specially thank Dr Serge Desbiens, neurologist, the medical staff of the Hôtel-Dieu of Québec, the staff of the CLSC Ste-Foy: health care services at home and palliative services. You can show you sympathy by giving to the *Fondation du CHUQ - l'Hôtel-Dieu of Québec, Fonds Diane Fortin pour la recherche en oncologie*, 10, rue de l'Espinay, Québec G1L 3L5.



General Annual Assembly of the Mercier of North America

The members of the Mercier of North America are convoked to the 26th general annual assembly. It will be held at the Maison Tsawenhohi on Château-d'eau Street, in Wendake, on August 28th 2010 at 10 o'clock.

Order of the Day

- 26.01** Opening of the assembly, welcoming word, program of the day and attending;
- 26.02** Reading and adoption of the order of the day;
- 26.03** Reading and adoption of the minutes of the 25th assembly (2009);
- 26.04** President's report;
- 26.05** Treasurer's report;
- 26.06** Nomination of a controller;
- 26.07** Ratification of the administrators' acts;
- 26.08** Administrators' election;
- 26.09** Miscellaneous: certificates for lifelong membership;
- 26.10** Closure of the assembly.

Suzanne Mercier
Secretary

Development fund

Sincere thanks to the following members for their recent contribution to the development funds.

28	Gilmond Mercier	1029	George H. Marshall
321	Guy Mercier	625	Dary Mercier
713	Chantal Mercier	266	Thérèse B Mainguy
1490	Renée-Laurent Mercier	1391	Jean-Charles Mercier
945	Rosélia Mercier Laliberté		Anonyme
231	Pauline Saint-Louis		
945	Georges-Clément Mercier		



PROGRAM OF THE DAY

August 28, 2010

9:00 to 10:00 am	admission and inscription
10:00 to 11:00 am	General annual assembly (see <i>Order of the day</i>)
11:00 am to 12:00 pm	Presentation of the video: “ l’Arrivée des Mercier en Amérique”
12:00 to 1:00 pm	Diner (<i>the participants move to the Tswanhohi house at the restaurant La Traite located in the Hôtel-Musée Premières Nations, just at a few steps to take their meal. A ticket will be given offering the right to a choice of menus.</i>)
1:00 to 1:30 pm	Speech about the conception and the realization of the <i>Hôtel-Musée Premières-Nations</i>
1:30 to 5:00 pm	Discovery package : <i>Visit of the Museum and of the old Wendake (Tsawenhohi house, Chapelle Notre-Dame-de-Lorette, Kabir Kouba’s falls and paintings of Wendat). The most important elements of this guided visit of what we call in our younger years the Village Huron, today Wendake was described in that last issue of our newsletter. Everything can be easily walk by feet, which enable us to appreciated of lot of details that could possible be missed otherwise. Have a nice visit.</i>

All the facilities are offered to those who wants to stay longer (supper, room, etc.) The price of a room for one or two persons is \$109.

You can have more information by using the following web site : www.hotelpremieresnations.ca and tourismewendake.com. The phone number of the hotel is 418-847-2222.

How to go there?

By autoroute Henri IV 1) direction north, exit 5 street Ste-Geneviève 2) turn right at de la Volière 0.2 km 3) 1st at left Ste-Geneviève 0.5 km 4) continue boul. St-Claude 1.1 km 5) turn left street Verret 0.6 km 6) continue street Racine 1.2 km 7) turn right on boul. Bastien, cross the bridge 0.1 km 8) 1^{re} street at left : street Terrain du Seigneur at left on street Tsewenhohi/Nicolas Vincent, direction *Hôtel Musée* until the first transversal street, street of Château d’eau. The house at the left, in front of you our gathering location, the Tsewenhohi house. 9) turn at left on street of Château d’eau and at a short distance are parking spaces available for you.

You have arrived!

By autoroute Henri-Bourassa 1) direction north until boul. Bastien 2) at left on boul. Bastien until the Chapelle Notre-Dame de Lorette (street Terrain du Seigneur) 3) at right on street Tsewenhohi/Nicolas Vincent, direction *Hôtel Musée* until the first transversal street, street du Château d’eau. The house on the left, in front of you, is our gathering location, the Tsewenhohi house. There is a identifying plate on it. Turn left on street du Château d’eau turn at left on street of Château d’eau and at a short distance are parking spaces available for you.

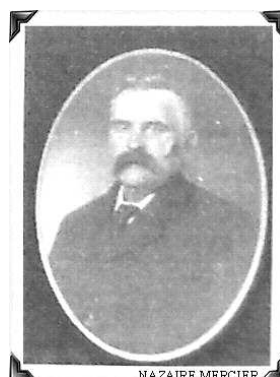
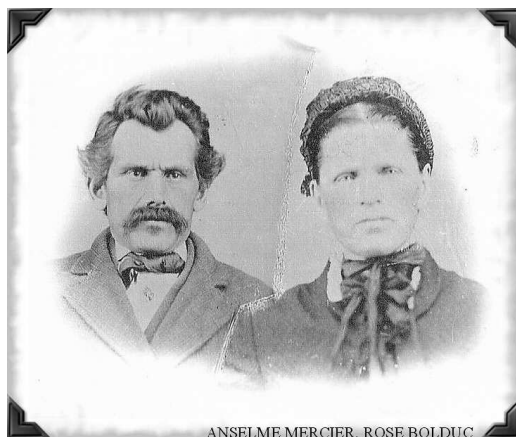


A interesting initiative... continuing

In our last issue, we've talked about Laurent Mercier's (1520) great initiative to send AMAN a great quantity of historical and genealogical material concerning the Merciers.

Those more meaningful for genealogical purposes are, of course, legal acts: baptismal certificate, marriage certificate, death certificate, etc.) But also, pictures, notes and many other information are equally interesting and bring our characters to life.

Here are a few from Henry and Julie's children and some miscellaneous from this time.



Engine 1 and railway men from the company Mègantic & Lobinière. This locomotive was used for carrying heavy equipment between Laurierville and Deschaillons. The farmers brought their wood, their hoes along with other products from their farms.

This picture is from the 1880's. My cousins Denis Martineau game me this picture.



Ste-Agathe's village first houses around 1855.



Ste-Agathe land-clearer's camp around 1850.

This picture of my great uncle Henri Mercier and great aunt, Marcelline Demers was taken around 1900. My great uncle, Henry, was 67 years old and my great aunt Marcelline was 59. This picture was taken in a studio. In those days, our ancestors were travelling to Vermont or New Hampshire to visit their family, and had their picture taken for the occasion. My uncle's brother Nazaire Mercier was living there.



The ancestral house of my great uncle Henri Mercier and great aunt Marcelline Demers, near Ste-Agathe village on the lot 114. Later on, their son, Joseph-Henri Mercier became the owner of the house.

What's new!

We are happy to announce to you the premiere of an audio-video production reconstituting the arrival of the Merciers in North America (L'arrivée des Mercier en Amérique), which is also the title and who will be presented following the Annual Assembly.

This story begins with the kingdom of Mercie who have reigned on England from 626 to 918.

On the course of the conquest of England by France, in 1066, while Guillaume the Conqueror, duke of Normandy became king of England, the frontier between the two countries was abolished and the king forced by his subjects to give themselves family name which would be transferred from generation to generation. The most ancient documents in which we find the name Mercier date back from 1168, in England, 1352 in Scotland and 1359 in France.

Following the settling of a permanent construction in Québec on 1608, France made a populating effort, and the first Mercier arrived in 1647. Many others followed him and up until 1793, six of them established a line and gave birth to descendants bearing the name of Mercier. Of course, that hasn't stop other Merciers, after them, to follow their example.

The place of origin of each of these six Merciers have been well identified in France and their settling followed on Québec Territory. Videos have been filmed in their original village in France, as well as their settling village in Québec.

It will bring good memories to those who have had the pleasure to visit these places in France, others will discover at last the living environment of our ancestors.

The scenario of the showpiece has a great value genealogically, historically and visually and is the result of researches done over a ten-year period.

The conception and production of this audio-video piece which last over 60 minutes were done by Pierre-Paul Mercier who sits of the Board of directors of AMAN since 1997, and who has presided it from 1999 to 2005. Unfortunately, we must precise that this interesting production was produces only in French.

Le Mercien



Thank you to the members who have renewed their contributions

The following list contain the numbers and the names of the members who have renewed their membership which we received between April 7 and June 15, 2010.

no	name	city	deadline	funds
1525	Nicole Mercier	Ste-Marthe-sur-le-lac	2011	
1126	Suzanne Mercier	St-Damien	2011	
1207	Dolorès Morin	St-Étienne	2011	
1480	Germain Nappert	Boisbriand	2010	
1482	Madeline Ernest	Warren R.I.	2010	
1522	Doris Ferrara	Warren R.I.	2010	
Pub 5	Garage Clarke	Cap aux Meules	2010	
269	Isabelle M. Dufour	Québec	2011	
321	Guy Mercier	Cap-Saint-Ignace	2011	5
1245	Germaine M. Cartier	Edmonton AB	2011	
460	Émile Mercier	Dollard des Ormeaux	2013	
679	Gaetan Mercier	Ancienne Lorette	2011	
15	Alain Mercier	Charny	2011	
156	Napoléon Mercier	Dosquet	2011	
280	Louise Mercier	Montréal	2011	
341	Jacques Mercier	St-Georges	2011	
506	Marcel Mercier	Montréal	2011	
844	Thérèse Mercier	St-Marcel	2011	
1465	Diane Lécuyer	Ville d'Anjou	2010	
713	Chantal Mercier	St-Honoré	2010	10
634	Armand Mercier	Laval	2010	
1423	Gérald Mercier	Abbotsford	À vie	
1524	Jean Mercier	St-Jérôme	2011	
1470	Michel Mercier	Joliette	2011	
1364	Harriet E Cady	Deerfield NH	2011	
1358	Roger Mercier	Beloil	2010	
1490	Renée Laurent Mercier	Montréal	2011	25
29	Jean-Roch Mercier	Lac-Négantic	2011	
231	Pauline St-Louis	Trois-Rivières	2011	10
1520	Laurent Mercier	St-Hubert	2011	
945	Georges-Clément Mercier	Ste-Marie (Beauce)	2011	10
261	Rosélia Mercier Laliberté	Brossard	2010	5
1306	Anne Mercier	St-Sauveur	2011	
1463	Charles Mercier	Montréal	2011	
	Anonyme			25
1479	Guy Labrecque	Québec	2011	
871	Jacques Mercier	St-Charles-de-Bellechasse	2011	
1094	Ralph J. Mercier	Shelby MI	2011	
35	Claudine Mercier	Québec	2011	
1299	Normand R. Mercier	Orléans ON	2011	
2043	Laurette Bégin	Lévis	2011	
285	Jacques Mercier	Montmagny	2011	
706	Yves Mercier	Ste-sabine	2011	
1443	Jacqueline Mercier	Lachine	2011	
1029	George H. Marshall	Barre MA	2011	15
625	Dary Mercier	Gaspé	2011	10
208	Gaston Mercier	St-Jean-sur-Richelieu	2011	
129	Réal Mercier	Québec	2012	
843	Fernand Mercier	Thetford Mines	2011	
1469	Raymond Mercier	Laval	2011	
530	Jacinthe Mercier	Québec	2011	
134	Élisabeth Laprise	Montmagny	2013	
861	Robert Mercier	Étang-du-Nord	2011	
578	Émilie Mercier	Rivière-aux-renards	2011	
266	Thérèse B. Mainguy	Québec	2011	25
1448	François Mercier	Bréville (France)	2011	
1321	Huguette Desfossés	Gatineau	2011	
1504	Annie Mercier	St-Félix-de-Kingsey	2010	
570	Bernard Lacroix	Québec	2011	
1199	Noëlla Mercier	ST-Hyacinthe	2011	
587	Lorraine Mercier	Ste-Sabine	2011	
1391	Jean-Charles Mercier	St-Hyacinthe	2011	25
2011	Delphine P. Goodwin/Mercier	Livonia MI	2011	
1236	Luc Mercier	Victoriaville	2011	
317	Jacques Mercier	Nicolet	2011	
900	Lise Mercier Soucy	Québec	2011	



Obituaries

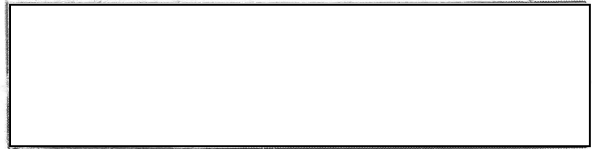


Our deepest condolences to the families

- **Allen Mercier** died at age 26. He was the son of Robert Mercier and Debra Holmes.
- **Aurore Poirier**, died on May 11, 2010. She was the spouse of Clément Mercier.
- **Gaston Mercier** of St-Vallier de Bellechasse, died at age 87 on May 18, 2010. He was the husband of Blanche-Alice Bélanger.
- **Gervais Mercier**, formerly of St-Adrien d'Irlande, died on April, 11 at age 56. He was the son of Josaphat Mercier and of Délima Laflamme.
- **Gisèle Lapierre** from La Pocatière, died at the age of 71. She was the wife of *Émilien Mercier* and daughter of Emmanuel Lapierre and Marie-Ange Giasson.
- **Jean-Jacques Boyer** of Laval, died on April 21, at age 86. He was the husband of Pauline Richard.
- **Jean Mercier** died on April 23, 2010 at age 67. He was the spouse of Estelle Arcand and the son of Georges-Émile Mercier and Claire Cantin.
- **Jeanne Lajeunesse** of Laval, died on May 11, 2010 at age of 79. She was the wife of *Gérard Mercier*.
- **Jeannette Mercier** from the Sœurs de la Charité de Québec (Sœur Ste-Claire d'Assise) died at age 74 on May 26, 2010. She was the daughter of Joseph Mercier and Adélaïde Tremblay from Rivière St-Jean.
- **Laura Mercier** of Québec, died on May 14, 2010 at age 92. She was the wife of Lucien Langlois.
- **Laurentienne Garneau** of Québec, died on April 6, 2010 at age 96. She was the wife of *Jean-Philippe Mercier*.
- **Lucette Paradis** from Mascouche, died on May 28, 2010 at age 58. She was the wife of *Serge Mercier*.
- **Lucienne Boily** of Coaticook, died at age of 91. She was the wife of Léo Mercier.
- **Michèle Mercier** from St-Georges de Beauce, died at age 56. She was the daughter of Raymond Mercier and Jeanne d'Arc Rodrigue and the wife of Adonia Poulin.
- **Raymond Mercier** of St-Anselme (Bell) died on May 17 at age 57. He was the spouse of Linda Saindon and the son of Gustave Mercier and Laétitia Bilodeau.
- **Roland Morin** from St-Hubert, died on April 17, 2010 at age 91. He was the husband of *Rose Mercier*.
- **Rosaire Laprise** from Montmagny, died at the age of 92. He was the husband of *Élisabeth Mercier*.
- **Valérie Mercier** of Pabos, died of May 14, 2010 at age 88. She was the wife of Ovila Aspiros.
- **Yvon Lefebvre** from Trois-Rivières, died on April 12, 2010 at age 78. He was the husband of *Jacqueline Mercier*.

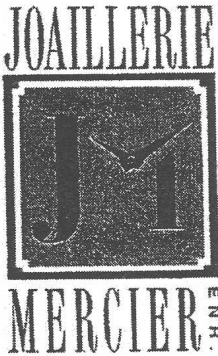


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