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a masterpiece that you can contemplate during your stay  
in St-Georges-de-Beauce for the annual general meeting*



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d'Angleterre au 15<sup>e</sup> siècle  
répertoriées dans Burke  
Armorial de Londres.



Armoiries d'Ernest Mercier

Armoiries d'Ernest Mercier  
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**Benoit**

## **Welcome to the new members**

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This newsletter is named after the kingdom of Mercia which existed from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

**A.M.A.N. is a member of  
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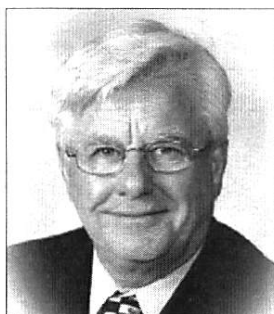
# Word from the President

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*By Jean Mercier (1524)*

Following the success of the last general meeting held in St. Jerome in 2011, with 65 members present, you can be assured that the organizing committee of Gilmont and Jacques Mercier is working hard to develop the program for another success like St-Georges-de-Beauce in 2012. You must then immediately put on your calendar next August 25th, and why not, schedule a short vacation in the beautiful region of Beauce.

Notice that as announced last year in St. Jerome, we have two sugar parties this year, to facilitate the attendance of members at these meetings. March 31 in Saint-Esprit and on April 14 in St. Marie-de-Beauce. And next year in 2013 why not another in the center of Quebec? These outputs are opportunities to meet inexpensively, to feast



together. The only reward of the members of the Board is your presence in these festivities and the help you can give us the day of the event. All information, are in the program and the names of those responsible.

Both activities are opportunities to ask your family to support you and at the same time to explain the benefits of joining our association.

In hope to meet you in one of two parties of the 2012 at the sugar shack.

**Jean Mercier (1524)**  
President

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## Presentation

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The presence of new directors is greatly felt both by geographical dispersion, their training, their competence, their vision and boldness. Not that recent initiatives had never been imagined, but the limited human resources and their concentration had the effect of limiting the activities of the priority issues in AMAN, including: the accumulation of data relevant to genealogy, a minimum visibility at trade shows and the publication of our newsletter. Finally, a little oxygen.

Some examples of this evolution: is the regular updating of our website, our presence on Facebook, a second job at the sugar shack near Montreal and the president plans a third in the Mauricie for next year, our collaboration in the feast of Mercier Lac-Mégantic, etc.

This issue is accompanied by a leaflet offering to join the *Lotomatique*. It is simply an opportunity that is offered, if this kind of games you want to contribute, as Benoit puts it in his text, the financing of your association and possibly, if you're lucky, of to collect a few dollars. Good luck.

The annual meeting will be held this year at the *Centre culturel Marie-Fitzback St-Georges de Beauce* next August 25<sup>th</sup>. Mark this date on your calendar. More news in the next issue.

See you next time.

**Jean (1)**

# 16<sup>e</sup> Salon des familles souches

24, 25 et 26 février 2012 à Laurier Québec

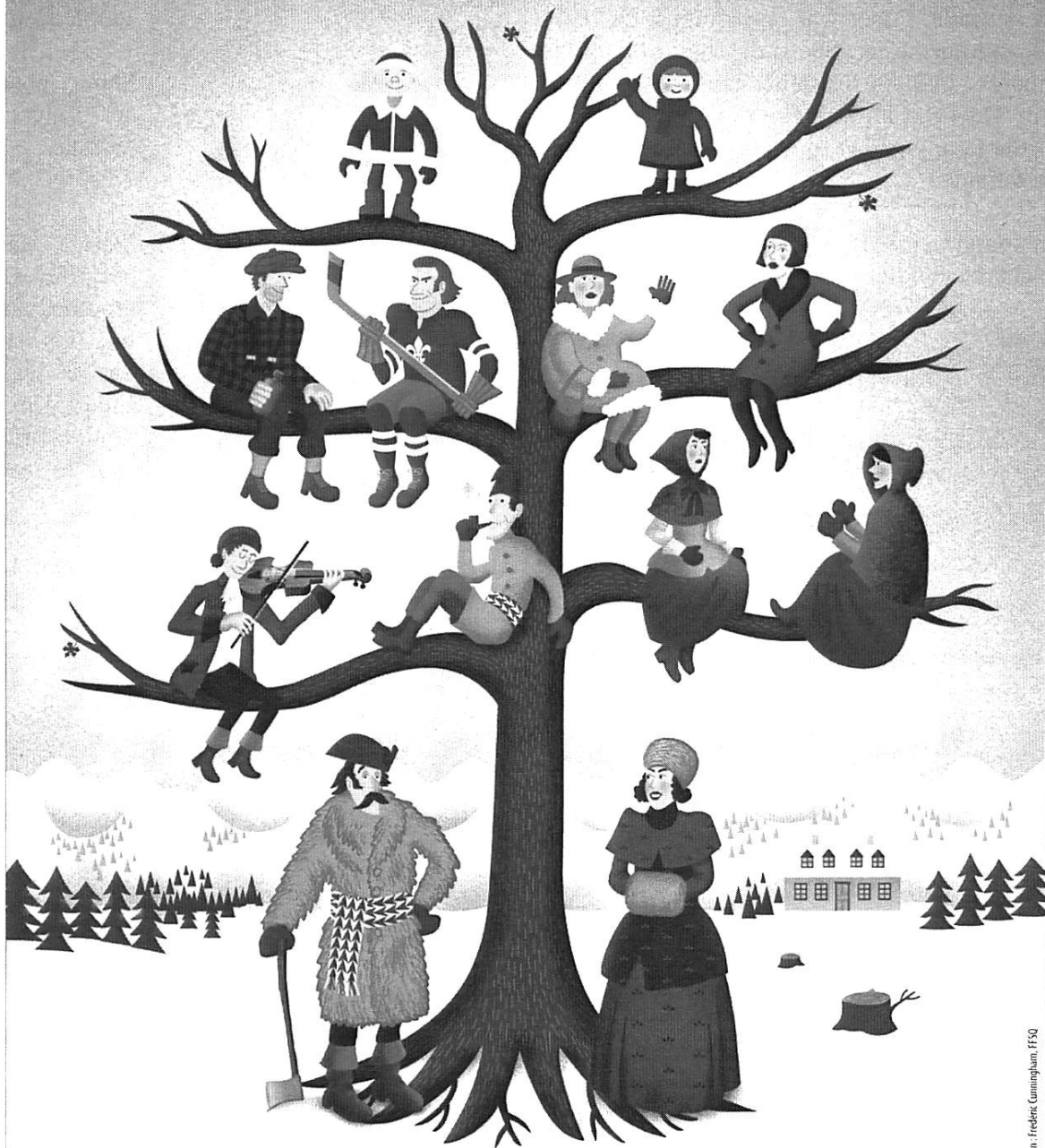
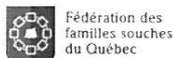


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« Le patrimoine familial : un héritage »

Président d'honneur : M. Réjean Lemoine Information : [www.salondesfamillessouches.ca](http://www.salondesfamillessouches.ca)

Les Merciers will be present to help you in your research.



## Marie Mercier — 100 Years

**M**arie, daughter of Léonidas Mercier and Rosalie Talbot was born August 24, 1911 in Manchester. She is the third of a family of 12 children. In 1914 his father Léonidas returned to live in Quebec, in St-Isidore d'Auckland. The return of the family is due to her big sister Lucienne who was wounded.

Léonidas found a job as a laborer for construction from the church and the rectory of St. Isidore.



*Léonidas, poses with his sister Octavie and her daughter Jeannette.*

Marie grew up in St-Isidore, went to grade school, she was confirmed there.

She went to live in community with the Daughters of Charity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Sherbrooke on 30-08-1929.

éonidas married Rosalie Talbot in 20-01-1908 in Manchester.

Rosalie gave Léonidas 12 children : Leo Albert, born 3-11-1908, Mary Rose, born on 24-08-1911, Lucienne, born 21-07-1910, Gratia, born 22 09-1912, Georges-Etienne, born on 14-01-1914, Jeannette born on 14-09-1915, Paul-Emile, born 1-01-1917, Robert, born on 28-03-1920, Bruno, born 6-10-1921, Margaret born 22-10-1922, Patrice was born on 31-03-1924, Bernadette, born on 14-01-1926 and



Gérard, son adopted in 1935.

Marie poses with her sisters at her birthday.

Marie was very beautiful, very well groomed and rested for his birthday. She is with Sister Jacqueline, her brother Bruno that I

went to look for her in her quarters to lead in the reception room.

Her Community, received us with great kindness. Nothing was neglected by them.



*At left is her superior, Sister Jacqueline Labranche accompanied by two nuns.*



Marie, posing with her brother Bruno. Behind : Yolande Mercier, Réjeanne Laliberté, Laurent Mercier and Henriette Henry.

Bruno is 90 years old and a redemptorist. He lives in Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré.

Below the picture are his origins who begin in St-Pierre de Broughton in Beauce and Manchester.

We have the hundred years of Marie.

**Marie MERCIER**

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**Origins**

- Naissance Manchester, N.H. 25-08-1911  
     Père : Léonidas MERCIER, commerçant Brouthton, 16-03-1883  
     Mère : Rosalie TALBOT Arthabaska, 25-08-1882
- Baptême *Paroisse Saint-Augustin Manchester* 25-08-1911 Abbé O.N. Desmarais, ptre  
     Parrain : Alzéar Therrien  
     Marraine : Rose St-Laurent
- Confirmation *Paroisse Saint-Isidore d'Auckland*

**In religions**

***Sœur Georges-Étienne***

- Postulat 30-08-1929
- Noviciat 19-07-1930
- Profession temporaire 17-08-1931
- Profession perpétuelle 11-08-1934

**Place of Mission**

Magog	Couvent Saint-Patrice	<b>Enseignement</b>	1931
Lennoxville			1936
Sherbrooke	École Normale		1942
Sherbrooke	605 Bowen Sud		1950
Magog	Couvent Saint-Patrice		1952
Lennoxville			1954
Sherbrooke	École Normale N.D. du S.C.	<b>Service à la communauté (sup.)</b>	1958
Sherbrooke	Collège du Sacré-Cœur		1963
Montréal	McKenna		1968
Sherbrooke	Bienville	<b>Pastorale</b> O.D.R. et Accueil	1970
Sherbrooke	411, 8 <sup>e</sup> Avenue	Pastorale (diocèse)	1971
		Accueil, rue Belvédère	1980
		Pastorale, C.H. St-Vincent de Paul	1982
Sherbrooke	14, rue Jean-Maurice	idem (13 08 1996)	1996
		<b>Service à la communauté</b>	1997





## AN INVITATION FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF THE MERCIER OF NORTH AMERICA

WHOOO HOOO!

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO TASTE THE SYRUP  
TO TASTE MAAAAPPLE SYRUP! At the sugar shack "Chez Anathas"  
25 minutes from the Pierre-Laporte Bridge.

**WHEN:** Saturday, April 14 2012 for 11 am to 3 pm

**WHERE:** Cabane à sucre Chez Athanas  
1495, Rand Saint-Étienne Nord  
Sainte-Marie de Beauce



**HOW TO GET THERE:** At the exit of  
the Pierre-Laporte Bridge, take autoroute 73 south until exit 101, take the 173 south,  
pass the Chaudière River on the Scott Bridge, continue on a short distance until the  
Saint-Étienne road at your left (golf), you're at about 3.5 km from the road leading  
out to the shack.

**MENU:** - Diner, Canadian meals (all you can eat)  
- Bring your wine if you want to  
- Maple toffee on snow (all you can eat)  
- Pedestrial site

**COST:** under 5 years old — free, 5 to 10 years old : \$ 9, more than 10 : \$ 18  
You pay when you arrive. Capacity of 72 persons.

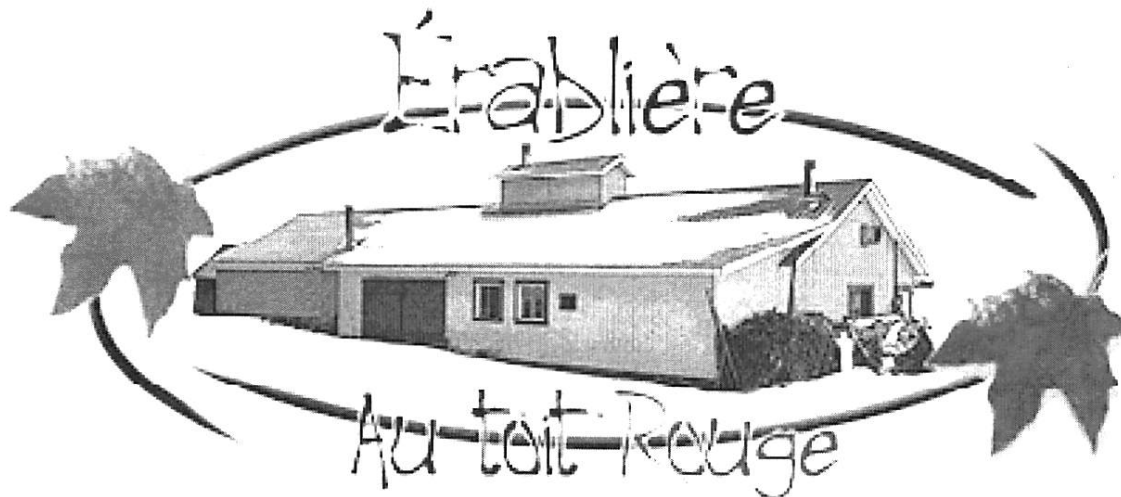
**PLEASE CONFIRM YOU PRESENCE BEFORE APRIL 7 TO :**

Gilmond Mercier 418-383-3441 or gilmondm@sogetel.net

Louissette Mercier 418-877-9737 (Québec City region)

**N.B.** It is not nessessary to be a member of the Merciers Association to attend this  
sugar shack party. Hoping to have the pleasure to see you there!





THE ASSOCIATION OF THE MERCIERS OF NORTH AMERICA (AMAN) INVITE ALL ITS MEMBERS AND THEIR FRIENDS OF THE REGION OF MONTRÉAL AND ELSEWHERE TO THE SUGAR SHACK PARTY AT LA CABANE À SUCRE AU TOIT ROUGE.

**WHEN :** SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 2012 from 11 am to 3 pm

**WHERE :** Cabane à sucre au Toit Rouge  
201 A route 158, St-Esprit, J0K 2L0

**INTERNET SITE :** erablierautoitrouge.com (google)

**HOW TO GET THERE:**

- 1- **from St-Jérôme:** route 158, direction Sainte-Sophie, Saint-Lin, Saint-Esprit, the sugar shack is on the left side 201A, route 158.
- 2- **from Montreal-Est:** autoroute 40 east, exit 96 west, 640 west, exit 42 north, Mascouche Rawdon 25 north, autoroute 25 north, exist 46, (municipality of St\_lin, St-Jérôme). Sugar shack at 5 km à right.
- 3- **from Montreal:** take the bridge Pie-IX, direction autoroute 25 north, exit 46 (municipality of St-Lin, St-Jérôme), route 158 until 201A, the sugar shack is at 5 km at right.

**COST: Children:** from 3 to 5 year old \$7; from 6 to 11 year old \$9  
**Adult:** 11 and more \$17

**CONFIRM YOU PRESENCE BEFORE MARCH 23 AT:**

Rive sud: Laurent Mercier (450) 678-5094 laurentmercier@ymail.com

Rive nord: Germain Nappert (450) 437-1220 nappert@videotron.ca

**VARIA:** Bring your wine / Slay ride include / cash only

*Hope to see you there on March 31<sup>st</sup>*



## 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of marriage of the ancestral couple Charles Mercier dit Lajoie and Marianne Lahaise

**T**he military Charles Mercier Lajoie arrived in New France in 1757 with the regiment of Berry to participate in the in the Conquest. Grenadier in the French army, he was part of an elite squad who took part in several battles including those of Fort Carillon and Sainte-Foy.

The French army retreated to Montreal, they must surrender to the overwhelming superiority of the English army. This ends the military career of the ancestor Charles Mercier dit Lajoie. The conquerors gave the choice to the soldiers of the French army to repatriate to their country of origin or settle in the St. Lawrence valley. They are given religious freedom and immunity of property. Charles, like other soldiers of his regiment, saw, between battles, Canadian homestay. It is located in the area of Terrebonne near Montreal. Charles may have remained in the family of the widow Lahaise to the Assumption. He probably noticed the young Marianne Lahaise he chose to stay in Canada.

On June 22, 1761, when he was 25 years old, Charles wife Marianne age 14. It is the only son of Vincent and Catherine Mercier Gansard or Gaussard Beaumont Bramble in the ancient province of Touraine in Tours kilomètres 20 (1). Marianne is the daughter of Jean-Baptiste Lahaise and Marie-Anne Archambault. They settled on land located on the peninsula of the seigniorship of Terrebonne in the current municipality of Legardeur. Their union were born three girls and nine boys, three of them died in infancy. Six boys into marriage as their three sisters. They perform the jobs of a farmer, carpenter, miller and traveler. The majority of the couple's children live in the area of Repentigny and Saint-Roch-de-l'Achigan.

Notarial deeds reveal that Charles is probably illiterate and it has properties that will sell or will sell to his son Jean-Louis and Francis. In the nineteenth century, two descendants of the couple are illustrated: Francis Xavier as an explorer in the Yukon and Alaska (The Mercian, volume 12, number 3) and Louis as co-founder of the regiment which became the Dorchester Regiment de la Chaudière (The Mercian, Volume 23, Number 4). The

two men share a common characteristic, their tall, 90 more than a meter (6 feet 4 inches). Presumably, their ancestor Charles was also a big man since the grenadiers were placed in the front line to impress the enemy.

Died at the age of 82, Charles Mercier said Lajoie was buried in Repentigny 19 September 1817 as his wife Marianne was in the same place at the age of 78 years January 28, 1825.

Their descendants make up about 5% of American Mercier. They are found mostly in the Lanaudière, the top of Bellechasse, Montreal, Quebec and the United States.

<sup>(1)</sup>In a well documented research, John P. DuLong contests, with notarized documents as evidence, the birthplace of Charles. He said he was born in Removille in the diocese of Tour in Lorraine and not in the diocese of Tour in Touraine.



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*This short biographie of the quebecer tenor Francois-Xavier Mercier is excerpt from an opera program from Tchaikovsky presented at the Grand Théâtre of Québec on last October 24. Sincere thanks to Lionel who has transmit us this document.*

## *Moderation and excess in Québec City*

**By Bertrand Guay**

*For a long time, everyone knows, Québec is a nest for great artists. Just think to our three tenors Raoul Jobin, Léopold Simoneau or Richard Verreau in the vocal art domain. But way before them, were names, forgotten these days, who also had their moment of glory. One on them, even had a destiny worthy of a detective novel.*



### **François-Xavier Mercier, Murdered Tenor?**

His name was François-Xavier Mercier, he had a wonderful tenor voice and had astonishing international career. He died in 1932. He was buried under a humble tomb stone in Cimetière Saint-Charles, where he brought with himself the secret of his death, suspect or strange we might say. But, let's not anticipate...

Mercier is born in Québec in August 1867 in the Faubourg Saint-Roch. His father, also named François-Xavier, is, as show the baptismal act, furniture maker. Very young, Mercier sings in the Notre-Dame de Jacques-Cartier's church and at the same time is studying at the *Académie commerciale*: "Never I miss a occasion to make myself hear from other, in funeral, during a mass, a funeral or a wedding", that he will say in is memoirs called in *Souvenirs de ma mémoire artistique* in 1923. He will find a job has a fur tailor at the Compagnie Paquet, then he leave Québec for Toronto where he has is first professional success in concerts. Around 1894, he obtain the role at the opera, the Duc in *Rigoletto* at the Cattle Sqare Theater in Boston. All the repertory of the company is given in English and Mercier, hired at the last minute does not feel comfortable for the premiere. He sing the two first act in English. But the third is in Italian, at the surprise of the direction and the other artists who weren't prepared. The surprise become a huge success for the Italian public in the second balcony who claimed their enthusiasm for the young tenor.

### *At the height of greatness*

In 1898, Mercier goes to Paris to study alongside Jacques Bouhy, famous Belgian baritone. Tyrannical master sometime, Bouhy believe in the potential of the young Quebecer and he open him the doors of his career. Thanks to him, soon as 1899, Mercier is at the *Opéra-Comique* and soon, he is applause elsewhere in France, and then Great-Britain, in Holland, Belgium and Algeria. He is a real superstar: He plays the first role of *Guillaume Tell*, *the Huguenots*, *l'Africaine*, *la Juive*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *Faust*, *Carmen*, *Verther*, *Pailleasse*, *Manon*, *Aïda*, *Lehengrin* and many more. His partners are the fabulous Emma Calvé, Nellie Melba, Antonio Scotti or Francesco Tamagno, the creator of *Otello* of Verdi. Everywhere, Mercier is attracting praise and arouses the enthusiastic.

He stays a part of the year 1907 in Québec City, following the death of his mother. He does a few concert, specially one on April 25 at the Auditorium (Now the Capitole). The crowd hurry up to the theatre but 500 peoples will be refuse. The direction of the theatre decide then to snatch the front doors to give a chance to hear the great artist by the most people on the street. Then, Mercier goes to Europe in The Empress of Ireland... Yes, the boat who will tragically sink near Rimouski in May 1914 - He meet the future Prime Minister of Québec, Alexandre Tachereau...

During the production of the *Huguenots* of Meyerbeer at Constantine, in Algeria, Mercier is stun by the soprano who plays the queen

Marguerite de Valois, a young woman of 22 years old from Lyon, Isabelle de Besson, who already work under the scene name of Isa Jeynevald. Already at 41 years of age, Mercier ask her to marry him. The wedding is celebrate in Lyon on July 21, 1909. On August 15, 1913, both of them goes to Québec City, where a year later, because of the World War I have to stay for good there.



### *New Career*

In 1916, the couple found the *Institut d'art vocal*, on St-Vallier street. At the same time, Mercier realize a few recording with the Columbia company, certains of these recordings are made in duo with is wife. She still possess her wonderful voice. If she still possess her voice, it is not the same for her husband, who at the age of 49, as lost a part of his talents. The recordings may not put him at his best or at least to reality. You can hear a few of the numerical collection of banq.qc.ca.

Mercier and his wife give a few concerts in the Québec City region, one of them at the Club Musical, but his great tenor career his behind him. His spend most of his time in composition : more than hundred musical pieces, mostly voice melodies for piano, some of them are signed in the partial anagram of G. de Revax. Skillful melodist, Mercier reveal in these pages a beautiful imagination. In France, in a poem of William Chapman, he subtly put the *Marseillaise* them in it.

The Institut d'art vocal form numerous students and create regularly small opera. On April 1923, a few scenes of the opera Jean-Marie d'Ulric Voyer are created. The school has success and will continue its vocation until the middle of the sixties, just before the death of Isa Jeynevald.

At the end of Autumn in 1932, a strange incident happen at the Merciers residence, on Conroy street. (Where is now the Marie-Guyart building) :

the singer is highly intoxicated by a gaz leak, his wife is barely troubled. He is in so bad shape that he has to be hospitalized. He is suddenly paralyzed. He fall from the stairs and broke an arm. He is send to the Saint-Sacrement hospital where he died on December 22, at age 65.

### *Miss Marple-Bélanger...*

We could conclude to a dumb accident, maybe negligence and the case could be close... But an incriminating document, left in the fond F-X Mercier (P 576) at Archives nationales du Québec, in Québec City. Its a long hand written letter signed by Lucienne Bélanger, nurse and dated from February 22, 1977. This letter is simply called Testimony for Xavier Mercier, mighty Canadian tenor. Born in 1902, Lucienne Bélanger was the niece of the singer. Almost 55 years after the disappearance of Mercier, the lady wants to liberate her conscience and tell the truth about the death of her uncle.

In this testimony, Lucienne Bélanger will accuse her aunt, Isabelle, wife of the tenor, to have create a real machination. She portraits her aunt as a choleric young woman : like every celebrity, Mercier is being approach by everyone in the street, which irritate badly is wife. *We cannot make ten steps.* We also learned that at the arrival of the couple in Québec City, Isabelle had a lover, which is a cousin of Mercier (Miss Marple-Bélanger even give the name us the name of the cousin). He will not be the only one. She will have many more. She recruit her lovers among her students and among married men. Mercier knows that he is being cheated but say to his friend Jean-Marie Lachance : *I swear on the altar to protect her, and I will protect her until my death.*

In 1926, Mercier give a concert at Monument national in Montréal which gives him a little \$90. His wife order him to stop singing. Sadly, Mercier stop his professional concert. *He has left many things because of her, including position. He lost dollars to win cents...*

It is only at the death of Isabelle that one of the Mercier's sister, Marie-Laure Bruneau, will sign a document in which the story will be reveal. Lucienne Bélanger, her niece, will ask her why she has waited all this time. The old lady will say: *I was too much scared of her, this woman was capable of anything.* Isa Jeynevald was scaring the whole family of her husband report the nurse Bélanger. She tells that during the hospitalization of Mercier he was talking with his sister Florentine when she arrived like a raging lion, creating a complete terror climate around her.

### *Sleeping with gas...*

For already a while, the Mercier couple were not sleeping together. He was upstairs and she was at the first floor level. After the return of Mercier from the hospital, Lucienne Bélanger as a nurse go four days at her uncle's house to take care of him. Every night, while going to the toilet, she notice that the gas stove is lightly open under the coffee pot but no flame under. He was sleeping upstairs and her, downstairs. The carbon monoxide was accumulating in the stairs. Just after the death of her husband she got rid of the gaz line, saying that she would no longer use it. This is a thinly veiled accusation. Isa would have voluntarily open the gas, knowing that it would poison her husband but not her. The young widow will pursuit the Quebec Power company. *At the trial, they did not mentioned the name of her lovers, and to count them would have take too long.* The role of Isabelle in her husband death never was in question, the only the responsibility of the Quebec Power. Isabelle will not win her claim. Everything is forgotten rapidly.

Life continue. Isa Jeynevald, will never be bothered by justice (and nothing prove that she has done something against her husband), she continue teaching at Institut d'art vocal. She will have many singers who will have beautiful career, among them Adrienne Roy-Vilandr , the baritone

Gilles Lamontagne, the low voice Roland Gosselin and even Robert L'Herbier, who after being a popular singer, will be director of the T l -M tropole programming.

Isabelle de Besson-Jeynevald-Mercier died in solitude and poverty in Qu bec City on April 7, 1967. She return to side of her husband at Saint-Charles cemetery. (She will be buried at the expense of Canadians that she despised). They are now united in eternity.

### *Epilogue: a duty to remember*

The testimony of Lucienne B langer ends on troubling words. *It is not her country that has forgotten her, neither those who have known her but an alien in the country, who has destroy her career, buried her and her memory at the same time. There was nothing to do while she was alive. After all these years, it would be time that the Canadians wake up. Let's not wait before all his friends are deaths. I implore those who read these lines to do something.*



Mercier : Vasco-de-Gama dans *L'Amirigo*

## **Thanks to those who have renewed their annual contribution**

The following list contain the numbers and the name of the members who have renewed their annual contribution and that we have received between October 1<sup>st</sup> 2011 and January 15 2012.

NO	NAME	DUE DATE
1236	Luc Mercier	2012
1434	G�rald Mercier	2012
2043	Laurette B�gin	2012
1517	Francine Mercier	2012
1445	Raymonde Mercier	2013
530	Jacinthe Mercier	2013
35	Claudine Mercier	2013



# Necrologies

## Our deepest condolences to the families

**Agathe Martineau Mercier** Ste-Agathe-de-Lotbinière, died December 29, 2011 at the age of 94 years. She was the wife of Philias Mercier.

**Alain Gravel** of La Baie, died Oct. 10, 2011 at the age of 63 years. He was the husband of Diane Mercier lady and the son of Lucius Gravel and lady Mariette Gagnon.

**Albérique Moffett** Sherbrooke, died December 2, 2011 at the age of 94 years. He was married to Annette Mercier.

**Allyre Mercier** of Montreal who died December 17, 2011 at the age of 80 years. He was the husband of Therese Dufault.

**Alphonsine Mercier** host residing at Villa St. John died January 10, 2012 at the age of 94 years. She was the wife of Albert Cadoret and the daughter of Alphonse and Mercier Lady Alexina Roy.

**André Mercier** of St. John Chrysostom, who died October 6, 2011 at age 60. He was the husband of Dame Mireille Collin.

**Antoine Mercier**, religious Spiritan Community, died Dec. 6, 2011 at the age of 85. He was the son of Onesiphorus Mercier and Adela's brother Dussault and Georges de Sept-Iles, a member of AMAN.

**Charles Edward Mercier** de Levis, who died October 16, 2011 at the age of 85. He was the husband of Dame Edith Jean.

**Charles Mercier** of Newport, died Oct. 19, 2011 at the age of 65. He was the son of Joseph Mercier and lady Maria Clara Smith.

**Claire Mercier** of Quebec died Nov. 28 at age 58. She was the wife of Jacques Samson.

**Claire Savard Mercier** of Quebec, died 26 October 2011 at age 93 October 26, 2011. She was the wife of Maurice Mercier.

**Claude Mercier** of St-Hubert, died December 31, 2011 at the age of 88. He was the husband of Claire Sicard.

**Éric Mercier** of Quebec, died December 6, 2011 at the age of 43 years. He was the son of Claudette Fortin and Jean-Guy Mercier, formerly director of AMAN.

**Gabrielle Tremblay Mercier** of Montmorency (Beauport), died October 2, 2011 at the age of 88. She was the wife of Robert Mercier.

**Gaétane Mercier Giguère** of Beauport (Quebec), died 30 October 2011 at the age of 72. She was the daughter of Florida lady Simard and Henri Mercier and the wife of Marc Giguère.

**Gabrielle Mercier Parent** from St-Isidore, died December 3, 2011 at the age of 82. She was the wife of Gaudias Parent.

**Gérard Mercier** of Rouyn-Noranda, died Oct. 22, 2011 at the age of 87. He was the husband of Armande lady Marcoux.

**Gisèle Mercier** of the Gatineau area, died September 25, 2011 at the age of 81 years. She was the daughter of Euclid Mercier and lady Berthe Jetté.

**Hélène Mercier Gentilly**, died Dec. 9 at the age of 72 years. She was the wife of Jean-Claude Deshaies.

Hélène Mercier Paquette Merchant of Cap de la Madeleine (Trois Rivières), died October 13, 2011. She was the wife of Robert Mercier first marriage and second marriage of Jean-Guy Marchand.

**Henri-Louis Mercier** de Salaberry-de-Valleyfield, died December 21, 2011 at the age of 93. He was married to Jeannette Deschamps.

**Henri-Paul Mercier** of Beauport, died November 22, 2011 at the age of 82. He was the husband of Doris Parent and the son of Henri Mercier and of lady Marie-Louise Boulé.

**Jean Mercier Bedford**, died November 11, 2011 at the age of 91. He was the husband of Rita Piette.

**Jean-Guy Mercier** of Saint-Damien, who died November 20, 2011 at the age of 71.

**Jean-Marie Mercier** of Matagami, died January 7, 2012 at the age of 73. He was the husband of Gaétanne Racicot.

**Jean-René Mercier** from Wendover (ON) and from Ste-Agathe de Lotbinière, died December 18, 2011 at the age of 77 years. He was the brother of Lucie Mercier.

**Jeanne D'Arc Patry Mercier** of St. Charles de Bellechasse, died November 13, 2011 at the age of 86. She was the wife of Napoléon Mercier.

Jeannine Tanguay of St-Louis de Courville, died November 25, 2011 at the age of 83. She was the wife of Gaston Mercier, and the daughter of Julius Tanguay and lady Délélouina Binet.

**John A. Mercier** died suddenly at Concord Hospital NH January 8, 2012. He was the husband of Barbara Macdonald and the son of Olaf Mercier and Patricia Murray.

**Karine Mercier White** of the region of St-Jean-sur-Richelieu, died November 6, 2011 at the age of 20 years. She was the daughter of Alan White and Francine Mercier.

*Leo Conroy* of Buckingham, died Oct. 19, 2011 at the age of 73. He was the husband of *Darquise Mercier* and the son of Edward and Lady Lorna Conroy Teske.

**Lucien Mercier** of Jonquière, died December 27, 2011 at the age of 81 years. He was the husband of Claudette Bergeron and the son of J. T. Mercier Larouche and Azilda.

**Marie-Blanche Poitras Mercier** L'Islet-sur-mer, died 12 October 2011 at the age of 94. She was the wife of Arthur Mercier.

**Marjolaine Mercier** of Comox BC died August 24, 2011 at the age of 65. She was the daughter of Albert Mercier lady Jeannette Payette.

**Michel Mercier** of St-Vallier-de-Bellechasse, died November 8, 2011 at the age of 73. He was the son of Napoleon Mercier and lady Prudentienne Fortier.

**Murielle Jolicoeur Mercier** de Laval, died December 27, 2011 at the age of 71. She was the wife of Robert Mercier.

**Nicole Mercier** of Charlesbourg, died January 13, 2012 at the age of 68 years. She was the wife e Jacques Tessier and the daughter of Alfred Mercier and lady lady Verreault.

**Nicole Mercier Blackburn** Shawinigan-South, died Dec. 8, 2011 at the age of 70 years. She was the wife of Arlen Blackburn and daughter Dominique Mercier EVANO Auger and Flora.

**Noé-Marie Mercier**, died November 15, 2011 at the age of 82. He was the son of Israel and Diana Mercier Major.

**Pierre Mercier** of Rouyn-Noranda, died November 30, 2011 at the age of 81 years. He was the husband of Jacqueline Lebel.

**Pierrette Mercier Larouche Falardeau**, died December 21, 2011 at the age of 85. She was the wife of the late Robert Mercier, Bertrand Mercier's girlfriend and the daughter of Ferdinand Larouche and Delia Smith.

**Raymond Mercier** of Sherbrooke, died December 31, 2011 at the age of 79 years. He was the husband of Louise Fecteau and the son of Pantaléon Mercier and lady Lucienne Blais.

**Réjeanne Mercier** of Chicoutimi, died December 28, 2011 at the age of 80 years. She was the wife of Guy Blondin and the daughter of Odilon Mercier and Lady Cecilia Valois.

**René Mercier** of the Montreal area, died Nov. 14, 2011 at the age of 86. He was the son of Adrian and Elizabeth Mercier Ratté and the spouse of Joanne Roch. Rita Coulombe of Mont St-Pierre, died September 7, 2011 at the age of 91. She was the wife of Benoit Mercier.

Robert Laliberté of the south shore of Montreal, died November 12, 2011 at the age of 97 years. He was the husband of *Roselia Mercier*.

**Roland Mercier** of La Pocatière died Oct. 30, 2011 at the age of 90 years He was the husband of Dame Marie-Paule Pelletier and son of Joseph Emile Pelletier and Lady Laura Bélanger.

**Roland Mercier** of Salaberry-de-Valleyfield died November 10, 2011 at the age of 82. He was the husband of Réjeanne Mercier.

**Roland Mercier** of Windsor died November 28, 2011 at the age of 81 years He was the husband of Rita Martin the son of Donat lady Claudine Mercier and Sirois son and grandson of Francis Xavier Mercier and Philomène Tanguay.

**Rolande Roy** of St. Joseph de Beauce died August 3, 2011 at the age of 93. She was married in first wedding Welly Mercier and second marriage of Émile Jacques.

Stuart Slater of St. Romuald, who died December 22, 2011 at the age of 86. He was married to Claire Mercier and the son of Willy Slater and Émelda Chamberland and the brother-in-law of *Jean Mercier* (1).

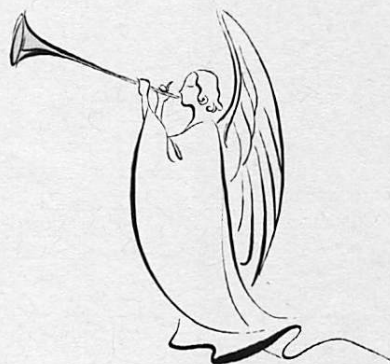
**Thérèse Mercier** (Sister Emma of Jesus) from the community of the Daughters of Wisdom died in Montreal December 7, 2011 at the age of 88. She was the daughter of Charles and Emma Mercier Lechasseur Vincent and the sister of a member of AMAN.

**Thérèse Mercier Cleary** of St. Basil died October 24, 2011 at the age of 84. She was the wife of Emmelt Cleary.

**Thérèse Mercier Fitzback** of Quebec died December 6, 2011 at the age of 83. She was the wife of Lucien Fitzback and daughter Philomena and William Mercier Person.

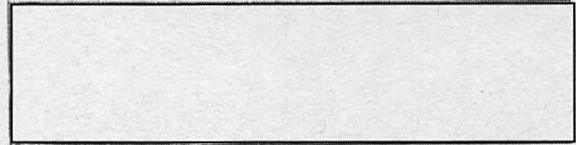
**Yvette Mercier Laverdière** of St. Magloire died November 13, 2011 at the age of 89 years She was the wife of Lionel Laverdiere.

**Yvonne Noël Mercier** of Lévis died Dec. 2 at age 84 She was the wife of Irénée Mercier and daughter of Arthur Noël and Maria Lemelin.



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