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Annual gathering of the Merciers which took place in Isle-aux-Coudres, August 19, 2018. Photo taken in front of Hotel Cap-aux-Pierres.



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Happy New Year 2019

*Best wishes for health, peace and happiness
for the new Year!*

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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 Mercien. We are proud to perpetuate that name today.

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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings to all!

Firstly, I want to thank all the members who took part in our Gathering in Isle-aux-Coudres, on August 19th of last year. Mother Nature graced us with ideal weather in an enchanting location, where we enjoyed the company of our delightful AMAN members. The 2018-2019 Board welcomed a new member, Gaéтан Mercier, originally from Black Lake and now living in Sherbrooke. Welcome Gaéтан! We thank Jean Mercier no. 1524 from Saint-Jérôme, for his involvement since 2010 in advancing the mission of the Association.

A presentation of our new website was made by a President who is not very clever with using "the Mouse". Your President's efforts made several of our members present feel much better! Mario, our website manager, has done an exceptional job in a short period of time. As was indicated at the meeting, we will start in 2019 with Phase 2: first by adding an English version of the site, and then by publishing our various forms on line. We also hope to set up "online payment" while at the same time still accepting payment by mail.

A more "to the point" call for the collection of genealogical data is now on our site in order to increase the number of Merciers in our records.



In closing, I wish to remind the Merciers who live in outlying areas and who wish to get known either through local gatherings or family get-togethers, that we are in the process of establishing communication "bridges" between them and us. More on that soon.

A computer problem prevented us from producing this issue before the Holidays and we apologize for that. I wish to offer everyone, on behalf of the Board, our best wishes for the New Year, and particularly health, peace and happiness.

Many thanks to all of you and let us not give up!

Jacques Mercier, no. 341
President

GATHERING 2019

*The annual meeting of the Merciers
will take place at
Lac-Mégantic,
August 25, 2019.*

*All information will be available on
the website as well as in the next
newsletter by the end of February.*



Association des Mercier de l'Amérique du Nord

A Word from
MARIO MERCIER no. 1544
Member elected to the Board
on August 28, 2016 in
Montmagny. He succeeds
Laurent Mercier no. 1520



Source : Mario Mercier n°1544

Lévis and *Water*, are two words that define me well. The first one, *Lévis*, is the place where I was born, just like my 4 sisters, the children of Lucien Mercier and Clémence Gingras. It is also where I went to elementary school, as well as high school, and where I became a scout, as well as an army cadet, played various sports, etc.

The second word, *Water*, is also important because the St. Lawrence river is where I played, swam, canoed, fished and then worked. Also, when I went back to school, it was to study water sanitation technology, and afterwards I worked for a year in Fermont, in Northern Quebec, and then I started working for the City of Lévis, at the drinking water treatment plant for the Desjardins *arrondissement*, where I worked for 32 happy years.

It is also in Lévis that my two beautiful daughters, Myriam and Maryse Mercier were born from my first marriage, and I am still living there with my spouse Johanne Couture. I have two passions: sport fishing in a river or lake, which I have been doing all my life, and of course genealogy, for the last fifteen years or so.

Since late 2017, with the help of other Board members and non-Board members of our Association, I have worked to update the website of the *Association des Mercier d'Amérique*, in the interests of all of us.

REMINDER: Remember to renew your 2018-2019 annual membership fee

Contributions and donations are the only means we have to finance the Le Mercien newsletter, the administration and organization of the activities of the Association. The Mercier Association of North America is non-profit and is run by members, all volunteers.

TRIBUTE TO JEAN, no. 1524

Jean Mercier was born in Montreal. A resident of Saint-Jérôme for more than 80 years, he was very involved in several of his city's organizations. He was a founding member of the local Optimist Club and was even a president of the club at some point. A born president, he oversaw the running of our Association as its president from 2011 to 2015. During his term, he helped to get our Association better known through the genealogy fairs in Trois-Rivières and Québec City, continuing the work done by his predecessors.

Since 2011, the general meetings have become the work of the Board. He showed how it could be done in his first year as president, when he organized the meeting in Saint-Jérôme, adding a novel idea by using "historical characters" such as the famous priest *Curé Labelle* and the railway station master. Then in 2012, the gathering was in Saint-Georges, where with Céline and Gilmond as the lead team, I got my first try at organizing the Mercier gathering. In 2013, he drove back and forth between his residence in Saint-Jérôme and Nicolet in order to organize the annual meeting. The following year it was in Lévis and the mileage on his car is proof of all that work. Finally, in 2015, in Saint-Roch-de-l'Achigan, Lise St-André teamed up with him to organize our annual gathering. All of that represents a lot of work and research with the other members of the Board, while still ensuring the proper financial management of our association.

In 2015, the culmination of all his work was his greatest achievement, namely the publication of the genealogical index of the Merciers of North America, which is in 2 Tomes and includes more than 80,000 names. The *index* had been started in the 1990s by Benoît, Robert and Roger, and was published thanks to a special collaboration by Laurent.

Jean did exemplary work on the final editing of the books. Thanks to his openness to new technologies, the newsletter *Le Mercien* became available on line during his term as president.

For all those years of work and passion for the Association, I am pleased, on behalf of the Board and all our members, to name you an Honorary Member.

Thank you for your generosity, your devotion and your passion.

Jacques Mercier, President
2018-08-19



Credit photo : Claude-Marie Duval n°1572

BACK TO THE GATHERING AT ISLE-AUX-COUDRES



Crédit photo : Claude-Marie Duval n°1572

*The Annual General Meeting held on August 19, 2018 at the Hotel Cap-aux-Pierres.
From l. to r.: Gilmond n°28, Lise n°1572, Aurèle n°1573, Suzanne, n°1060 (secretary of the meeting),
Jacques n°341, Jean n°1524, Germain n°1480, Mario n°1544
and Gaétan n°881 (new Board member).*



Presentation of the new website by Jacques n°341 and Mario n°1544



Jacques n°341 and Mario n°1544



*Jacques n°341 sings us
"To you Mercier of America".*



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Crédit photo : Lise St-André n°1572

MEMBERS ENJOY THE MERCIER GATHERING IN FAMILY GROUPS



Crédit photo : Gilmond Mercier n°28

Gilmond's family from l. to r. Céline n°28, Gisèle n°164, Rolland, Cécilia n°1342, Jacques, Louise n°284, Lorraine n°587, Yves n°706 and Gilmond n°28 at the Hotel Cap-aux-Pierre.



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The four sisters Mercier: Gisèle n°1460, Suzanne n°1126, Sylvie n°1461 and Diane n°1465.

Crédit photo : Gilmond Mercier n°28



DORIS AND MAURICE FAMILY

*Diane n°1635, Anna n°1640,
Maurice n°1563 and Doris,
Camille n°1629 and Andrée,
Monique n°1632*

in front of Hotel Cap-aux-Pierres

*Maurice and Doris (New Hampshire)
Camille and Andrée (Lorrainville)
Anna (Mascouche)
Monique (Yamachiche)
Diane (Granby)*

*Concetta A. and Robert A. n°1615
inside of
"Water mill" of
Isle-aux-Coudres*

*Concetta and Robert (Oklahoma,
USA)*



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*Carole, Jacques n°341 and Céline
n°28 in front of the "Moulin à eau"
of Isle-aux-Coudres*

*Carole and Jacques (Saint-Georges)
Céline (Sainte-Sabine)*



*Henri-Paul, Chantal n°713 and Jacinthe n°530
at the "Windmill" of Isle-aux-Coudres.*



*Germain n°1408 (Boisbriand) and Louissette n°284
at the Moulin de l'Isle-aux-Coudres.*



*Windmill
Isle-aux-Coudres.*



*Roger n°1428, Mario n°1544 and Johanne (Qc)
at the Windmill of Isle-aux-Coudres.*

Crédit photo : Claude-Marie Duval n°1572

Crédit photo : Gilmmnd Mercier n°28



**Lucie # 337 and Ian
at the mill museum
Isle-aux-Coudres
Pierre Perreault Room**

Lucie and Ian (Ottawa)

**Lionel n°93 and Alice
at the mill museum
Isle-aux-Coudres
"Island Hall"**

Lionel and Alice (Victoriaville)



**Jacinthe n°530 and Chantal n°713
with the guide inside the flour mill
Isle-aux-Coudres
"The miller's house"**

**Jacinthe (Québec)
Chantal (Chicoutimi)**



FOUR HAPPY WINNERS



DIANE
MERCIER
N° 1465
ONE-YEAR
MEMBERSHIP
→



ODETTE
SYLVAIN
N° 881
ONE-YEAR
MEMBERSHIP
↓

↑
CHANTAL
MERCIER
N° 713
2019 GATHERING
FEE.



↑
GISÈLE
TURMEL
N° 164
2019 GATHERING
FEE.



*Before the end of the 2019
Gathering, 4 door prizes
were raffled off at the top
of the Jacques-Cartier Park.*

- 2 membership fees for 1 year, worth \$35 each.
- 2 attendance fees for the next annual gathering, worth \$60 each.

Crédit photo : Claude-Marie Duval n°1572



*Gaétan n°881 and Odette (Sherbrooke)
at the Jacques-Cartier Park in Isle-aux-Coudres.*



*Jean and Monique n° 1524 (Saint-Jérôme)
at the Jacques-Cartier Park in Isle-aux-Coudres.*

DESCENDANTS OF JULIEN MERCIER AND MARIE POULIN

Crédit photo : Claude-Marie Duval n°1572



From l. to r.: Aurèle, Andrée, Ian, Mario, Johanne, Lucie Jacques, Carole, Diane, Camille, Monique, Francine, Sylvie, Lionel, Alice, Germain, Chantal, Gisèle, Henri-Paul, Robert, Suzanne, Concetta, Roger, Gaétan, Odette, Jean, Monique, Maurice and Doris at the Jacques-Cartier Park in Isle-aux-Coudres.

DESCENDANTS OF CHARLES MERCIER DIT LAJOIE AND MARIANNE LAHAISE

Source : Gilmond Mercier n°28



From l. to r. : Rolland, Cécilia, Céline, Gilmond, Louise, Jacques, Nicole, Yves, Lorraine, Lise and Claude-Marie.



Source : Gilmond Mercier n°28

GOODBYE AND SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!



Crédit photo : Claude-Marie Duval n°1572

Source : Gilmond Mercier n°28



PASSING OF CÉCILE MERCIER NADEAU

Cécile Mercier Nadeau was a pioneer and an early member of AMAN, as well as a Board member for numerous years and she also headed a regional committee for the Plessisville region. Benoit Mercier sat on the Board for several of the years she was a member and she was very much involved in the workings of the Board.

She was the daughter of the late Patrick Mercier and the late Marie-Anne Martel, and the wife of the late Fernand Nadeau. She is survived by her son Denis (Jacinthe Nadeau); her granddaughters: Marie-Eve (Paul-André Masson) and Geneviève (Martin Caron), as well as her great-grandson Justin Masson.

*Surrounded by her family,
Mrs. Cécile Mercier Nadeau
Passed away
Hôtel-Dieu d'Arthabaska,
April 23, 2018.*

She was preceded in passing by Marie-Marthe, Rosaire, Dolores, Gervaise and Noëlla. She also leaves behind her siblings: Jules, Ubald, Roger, Georgette, Laurette, Lucienne, Laurent, Denis, Henri, Louis, Micheline and Ginette Mercier, as well as several nephews and nieces in the Mercier and Nadeau families, and other relatives and friends.



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RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP FEES - NEW MEMBERS AND DONATIONS [as of January 15, 2019]

Member N°	Name	City - Province/State	Fees	Donations	Expiry Date May 31
29	Jean-Rock Mercier	Lac-Mégantic	65,00 \$		2021
208	Gaston Mercier	St-Jean-Sur-Richelieu	65,00 \$		2020
489	Marius Mercier	Québec	65,00 \$		2021
587	Lorraine Mercier	Ste-Sabine	35,00 \$		2019
881	Odette Sylvain	Sherbrooke	Draw	Winner	2019
1358	Roger Mercier	Beloil	65,00 \$		2021
1465	Diane Mercier Lécuyer	Saint-Damien	Draw	Winner	2020
1529	Claude Jacques	Ste-Marie	65,00 \$		2020
1592	Diane Slater	St-Elzéar (Beauce)	75,00 \$		2020
1601	Pierre Mercier	Entrelacs	35,00 \$		2019
1611	Dyane Mercier	Buckland	65,00 \$		2020
1614	Claude Dupuis	Pabos Mills	65,00 \$		2020
1624	Simon Brouard	Québec	35,00 \$		2019
1627	Francine Henri	Repentigny	65,00 \$		2021
1644	Jean-Guy Laflamme	St-Charles-de-Bellechasse	65,00 \$		2021

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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Member No.	First Name	Name	Address	Of	At	Number of years	Rank
32	Ernest*	Mercier	Québec	1985	1989	4	1
189	André	Mercier	Québec	1989	1992	3	2
12	Jean	Mercier	Québec	1992	1995	3	3
126	Lucie	Mercier	Plessisville	1995	1997	2	4
485	Michel	Mercier	Saint-Roch-de-L'Achigan	1997	1999	2	5
19	Pierre-Paul*	Mercier	Saint-Lambert	2000	2005	5	6
418	Jean-Louis	Mercier	Lévis	2006	2008	2	7
222	Benoit	Mercier	Québec	2008	2011	3	8
1524	Jean	Mercier	Saint-Jérôme	2011	2015	4	9
341	Jacques	Mercier	Saint-Georges	2015	2019	4	10

(*) deceased



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For all members, annual fees are due on May 31 of each year.

Regular fee as an individual:

\$ 35 / 1 Year

or

\$ 65 / 2 Years

Regular fee with spouse:

\$ 40 / 1 Year

or

\$ 75 / 2 Years



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Renewal New member Voluntary contribution \$ _____

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I wish to receive the newsletter "**Le Mercien**": by mail **by Email**

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

* To improve our genealogical database.

**TWO DESCENDANTS OF JULIEN MERCIER AND
MARIE POULIN ARE HONOURED**



70th Wedding Anniversary

On June 24, 2017, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and cousins gathered together. Many came from far and wide to highlight this very rare event today. The 70th wedding anniversary of our parents Émilia Mercier and Charles-Émile Huet both natives of Cloridorme. This large family comprised of several musicians made the Elias Dufresne Center of Riviere au Renard reverberate with their music.

Long live our parents we love!

Jocelyne, Diane, Marcel, Jocelyn, Richard, Jean-Pierre, Louise, Arlis and Roger.



Source : Jocelyne Huet



40th Wedding Anniversary

At the same time, Julie, Jean-François and Marc-André celebrated the 40th wedding anniversary of their parents Desneiges Samuel and Dary Mercier n°625 | Congratulations!

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May 31 st	Renewal of the annal subscription
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August 25	Rally at Lac-Mégantic
Dec 5	Le Mercien Autumn Vol. 35 n°3.

See you!

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Set for
August 23, 2019
at Lac-Mégantic**

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