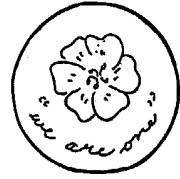


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VIOLETTE FAMILY ASSOCIATION



President's Message

John Violette, Bow, NH

The date for the next Violette Family Reunion is fast approaching and I hope you're making plans to attend. It'll take place on August 9, 10, & 11, 2002, in Edmundston, New Brunswick which is directly across the border from Madawaska, Maine. Harold Violette is the chairman of the reunion and he and his committee have been hard at work pulling it together. They have things planned for Friday night, Saturday, and Sunday morning and it should be a rewarding experience for all those who attend. Edmundston and Madawaska are in the heart of the St. John River Valley which is where the Acadians migrated to following the deportation from Nova Scotia in 1755. It took 30 years to get there but they made it. And our ancestor, Francois, was among them. Many people in the Valley still speak the same French that Francois spoke over 200 years ago. Come and experience it for yourself.

On Friday evening the committee would like to put on a "Soiree Canadienne" if they can find talent from within the Violette family to put this on. So, if you can sing, play an instrument or tell a few jokes, or know someone who can, Harold would like to hear from you. Phone 207-728-4851 or e-mail: HaroldV@norstatefcu.org.

The committee is also planning a trip to Acadian Village in Van Buren on Saturday morning with a stop at the Violette Monument which was dedicated during our reunion in 1981. Those of you who would prefer to see paper being made will be given the opportunity to visit the Madawaska mill of Fraser Paper on Saturday morning. We'll squeeze in the business meeting sometime in the afternoon on Saturday at a time yet to be determined. We'll be electing a new slate of officers at that meeting. Rita Daley is putting in a special plea to get replaced because she's been doing the job of secretary for six years now and would like someone to take her place.

I mentioned this in our last newsletter but it's worth bringing up again. It was mentioned at our last reunion that it would be nice to give a gift of a voucher or money to help someone in your family attend the reunion. With Christmas coming and some of you scratching your head wondering what to get your loved ones, why not give them a voucher or check which would help defray the cost of attending the Violette Family Reunion next year. It would make a great gift and I'm sure it would be appreciated.

Speaking of money, if you would like to make a donation to help defray the cost of mailing this newsletter that would certainly be appreciated. As you know we don't have any dues for running this organization and when the subject of dues was brought up at our last reunion the members decided they would rather rely on donations instead. So if you would like to make a contribution you can do so by sending a check to Louiselle Violette, 12 Woodland Circle, Bow, N.H. 03304. She's our treasurer. Checks should be made out to Violette Family Association. Do it now before you forget.

In the past many of you have provided us with craft items that could be raffled off at the reunion which also helped to raise funds for the association. We'll be having a similar raffle at this reunion.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year. Hope to see you all at the reunion.

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Sincerely, John

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Receive this Newsletter via E-mail



If you are “on-line”, have Microsoft Word 97 (or later) and would like to receive these newsletters via e-mail, please send your e-mail address to Rita Daley at rtdaley1@prodigy.net. Also remember to send any e-mail address changes to Rita, as well.

This is our second newsletter with e-mail distribution. Newsletters have been sent electronically to anyone who has given us their e-mail address already. All others are receiving it via regular mail. We are very excited to take this new approach, as it will save on printing and postage costs.

New Violette Website



A special thanks to David Violette of Phoenix, AZ at dave@violette.cc for creating the Violette Family Website. You will now be able to see newsletter information (plus a whole lot more!) online. Check us out at: www.VioletteFamily.org. Great job David!

Talent Needed



We are looking for some Violette talent to help us with the Friday night entertainment at the reunion. We would like to have a Violette talent show. Please contact Harold Violette (Vice President and member of the Reunion Committee) by e-mail HaroldV@norstatefcu.org or by phone 1-207-728-4851 or mail at: Harold Violette 110 11th Ave. Madawaska, ME 04756

Family Association and Genealogy



We have enclosed in this Newsletter a Family Group Record Sheet to be filled out for our Violette Family genealogist who has maintained it for a several years. You may contact Rod, if you have any questions.

Rod Violette
1775 Barn Valley Lane
Lincoln, CA 95648-8608
Tel: 1 916 434-8136 Email: rviolette@starstream.net

Special Request



Marilyn Violette, the daughter of Gerald Violette #667 and Gloria Violette #668, had her children Yasmin 5, and Joe 3, kidnapped by their father on March 2, 2001. They were taken to Egypt in flagrant violation of a custody ruling. Marilyn is working with the State Department, FBI, and lawyers trying to get her children back to their rightful home in the U.S. She is making an appeal for funds since this process is very expensive. If you are interested in helping Marilyn you can make a tax deductible donation to: Child Watch of North America Inc. c/o Judy Moore 61 Severn St., Longmeadow, Mass. 01106. If you want additional information you can contact Marilyn at 17 Huntsman Lane, Commack, N.Y. 11725 or e-mail Marilyn@wundies.com or Tel: 631-499-7433. The Violette Family Association does not have the funds to make a donation but we're hoping that some of our members may choose to do so. Thank you for your consideration.

100 Birthday Celebration



We received a beautiful notice from Sally Foley (#1270) on her visit in Edmundston, NB. It read:
“Attended the 100th Birthday celebration for **Esperance (Violette) Carrier** (#1357) on June 28, 2001. What a wonderful, wonderful milestone to be a part of. On the way we stopped in Van Buren to see the Violette Monument placed there in 1981. Hard to believe it was 20 years ago. Esperance and her sister Corinne (Violette) Foley (#315) lived 3 houses down from the monument on the opposite side of the road. The house is not there any more. We also visited the graves of their parents in the cemetery behind the church.” **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** to Esperance .

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Deceased Members

Albert J. Violette 93, (#141) passed away July 30, 2000, husband of the late Almire (Charette) Violette (#142) devoted father of Viola (Violette) Lamontagne (#1215) of North Port, FL.

Gerald N. Violette 58, (#145) passed away March 6, 1999, beloved husband of Brigitte (Kiene) Violette of Donnellon, FL and devoted brother of Viola (Violette) Lamontagne (#1215) of North Port, FL.

Philippa G. Violette 76, (#786) passed away January 22, 2001, beloved wife of 56 years to Emery S. Violette (#785) of Van Buren, ME.

Roland A. Violette 89, (#562) passed away December 17, 2000, beloved husband of 65 years to Dorothy R. (Mulliken) Violette of South Portland, ME.

Marie J. Y. Parent 88, of North East, MD passed away November 26, 2000, wife of the late Patrick Daniel Parent. She is survived by two sons Elmer K. Parent (#1759) of Hampton, NH, James Parent (#830) of Rochester, NH, three daughters Arlene Welch (#955) of Rochester, NH, Joan Nadeau (#953) of North East, MD and Clare Sherlock (#954) of Lewes, DE.

Doris T. Zych 63, (#931) passed away September 20, 2000, she leaves her mother Eva (Violette) Angers Gamache (#711) of New Port Richey, FL and sister Gertrude Maiato (#932) of Spring Hill, FL.

Lorraine Travers her mail was returned marked "Deceased" from 32 Swan Street Methuen, MA.

Mary Dube (#470) from Grand Falls, NB passed away February 25, 2001.

Oneil J. Violette 89, (#1334) passed away October 20, 2001 and his wife **Rosaline (Desjardins) Violette** (#1335) passed away December 23, 2000. They leave Pauline Zaruba (#1294), Jacqueline Olsen (1408), Normande St-Hilaire (#1342) all from Orange City, FL, Rollande Miller (#1293) of Luling, TX, Gisele Brown (#1611) of Roswell, NM, Viola Fellin (#1546) of Bristol, CT and Roland Violette of Waterford, CT including 22 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren.

William N. Moccio 73, (#222) passed away February 18, 2001 and his brother **Charles Moccio** (#280) passed away September 14, 1994 both were from Rhode Island.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to all our members for the loss of their loved ones.

In Search Of....



Can anyone help us find these members of our family?

349 Laura Montgomery Limestone, ME
525 Colleen MacIsaac Gardiner, ME
541 Joyce Violette Caribou, ME
546 Eileen Violette Auburn, ME
#1017 Shelda Rossignol Madawaska, ME
#1063 Caroline Bolduc St Jacques, NB

#1269 Donald Turmenne Lewiston, ME
#1350 Delores Aubrey Windsor, CT
#1351 Patrick Violette Bristol, Ct
#1562 James Violette Westbrook, ME
#1723 Deena Chafetz East Hampton, NY
#1736 John Ogden Rock Springs, WY

Please send any address updates to: Rita Daley 33 Enterprise St. # 2A Duxbury, MA 02332 or E-mail : rtdaley1@prodigy.net Thanks.

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Reunion Information

WHEN: August 9,10,11, 2002 **WHERE:** Howard Johnson
100 Rice Street,
Edmundston, N.B. Canada

REGISTRATION: Friday from 3:00 p.m.
Saturday from 9:00 a.m.

SCHEDULE:

Friday Evening	6:00 p.m. Get together for chitchat and renew acquaintances. Cash bar and hors d'oeuvres 8:00 p.m. Entertainment / Violette history of where we came from.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.	Bus trip to Acadian Village in Van Buren with LUNCH of chicken stew and PLOYES at the Village. Possible stop at Lille Church, which is in the Register of Historical Places. After Lunch, go through Van Buren with a stop at the Violette Memorial Monument near Violette Brook. Return through St. Leonard and possible stop at St. Basile and back to Edmundston. (The Price for this trip is not available at this time) Sign up anyway. OR Tour of Fraser Paper mill in Madawaska, Maine. This is where the finished product, paper, is manufactured from fiber's, wood chips, processed in Edmundston and shipped to Madawaska via a pipeline. It can be reached by walking half a mile across the International Bridge or take your own car. After the tour, lunch on your own.
Saturday Evening	6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - Cash bar 7:00 p.m. - Banquet buffet 8:30 p.m. - Entertainment
Sunday Morning	9:30 a.m. Catholic Mass at the Immaculate Conception Cathedral (Across the Street from the Howard Johnson) 10:30 a.m. BRUNCH at the Howard Johnson

(NOTE: The above times are subject to change)

CURRENCY

For those of you who come from the States, you can get your CANADIAN CURRENCY at any of several ATMs in Edmundston. Those who want AMERICAN CURRENCY can get it at several ATMs in Madawaska or Van Buren. This is usually more economical than purchasing it at your local Financial Institution. Most of your charges should be put on your Credit Card and the Credit Card Company will do the conversions for you at the prevailing rate. Currently the rate has been around 2 for 3. i.e. \$20 U.S. will get you \$30 Canadian. If you use the ATM and get \$100 of Canadian, your Financial Institution will charge your account around \$66 to \$68 depending on the rate of exchange for that day.

HOTEL/MOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

PLEASE NOTE: The Howard Johnson (reunion headquarters) and a few others are offering us a special rate if you register by August 1, 2002. Please mention that you are coming to the Violette Reunion in order to get this special.

Edmundston/St.Jacques/St.Basile

Howard Johnson (506) 739 7321, Toll Free 800 576 4656 (Reunion Headquarters) 100 Rice St. Edmundston N.B. E3V 1T4 100 Rooms. Price \$95.00 CAN (This special rate must be reserved before August 1, 2002. 1st come 1st served)	Edmundston Motel (506) 736 0080 470 Boulevard Acadie Edmundston N.B. E3V 3K7 Newly constructed. 10 Rooms. Price \$90.00 CAN
Comfort Inn (506) 739 8361, Toll Free 800 424 6423 5 Bateman Ave Edmundston N.B. E3V 3L1 Price \$124.00 CAN	Hotel Republique (506) 735 5525 919 Rue Canada Edmundston N.B. E3V 3X2 Price \$89.00 CAN
Rose Motel (506) 739 9492 (Exit 15 15A) Old Transcanada Highway, St. Jacques E7B 1Y3 Price 1 Bed \$45.00 CAN 2 Beds \$65.00 CAN	Auberge Jardins Inn (506) 739 5514 60 rue Principale St. Jacques E7B 1V7 2 ½ Stars to 4 ½ Stars Prices from \$ 69.00 to 129.00 CAN
Ritz Motel & Aquatic Park (506) 735 4243 (Exit 8) St. Jacques E7B 1V3 www.sn2000.nb.ca/comp/ritz-motel Price \$55.00 to \$65.00 CAN	Days Inn Edmundston (506) 263 0000 10 rue Mathieu St. Basile N.B. E7C 3E1 www.daysinn.com/canada Price \$119.00 CAN

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HOTEL/MOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS (CONT.)

St. Leonard (25 miles from HOJO)

La Petit Auberge Inn (506) 423 7005 225 rue St. Jean St. Leonard N.B. E7E 2C5 Price \$65.00 CAN	Daigle,s Motel Toll Free 1 877 423 6351 68 rue Dupont Street St. Leonard N.B. E7E 1Y1 50 Rooms Price ??? Call
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Grand Falls (35 miles from HOJO)

Auberge Pres du Lac Inn Trans 1 888 473 1300 Canada Highway Grand Falls N.B. E3Z 1G5 www.presdulac.com Price ??? Call	Motel Leo (506) 473 6614 10021 Route 2 St. Andre N.B. E3Y 3H5 www.motelleo.nb.ca Price From \$83.00 to \$123.00 CAN
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Clair (20 miles from HOJO)

Restaurant Maple Leaf & Motel (506) 992 2050 795 Rue Principale Clair N.B. E7A 2H5 E-mail: mleafnbnet.nb.ca Price \$60.00 CAN

Madawaska, Maine (1/4 mile from HOJO)

Blue Sky Hotel (207) 728 7513 300 Main St. Madawaska, ME 04756 Price \$32.00 to \$45.00 U.S.	Gateway Motel (207) 728 7513 735 Main St. Madawaska, ME 04756 www.motelgateway.com Price \$51.90 U.S.
Martin,s Motel (207) 728 3395 93 Main St. Madawaska, ME 04756 E-mail mmotel@nci1.net Price \$ 42.00 to \$49.00 U.S.	

Van Buren, Maine (24 Miles from HOJO)

Brookside Manor (207) 868 5158 278 Main St. Van Buren, ME 04785 Price ??? Call	Colonial Motor Inn (207) 868 5271 193 Main St. Van Buren, ME 04785 Price ??? Call
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St. Agatha, Maine (12 Miles from HOJO)

Long Lake Motor Inn (207) 543 5006 596 Main St. St. Agatha, ME 04772 E-mail: llmi@nci1.net Price \$51.00 U.S.
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Fort Kent, Maine (20 Miles from HOJO)

Northern Door Inn (207) 834 3133 U.S. Route 1 Fort Kent, ME 04743 www.northerndoorinn.com Price \$45.00 U.S.

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Violette Family Association Reunion

August 9,10,11, 2002

Registration Form

Registration fees and costs:

Registration Fee for Reunion:		American	Canadian
	Adults	\$5.00	\$7.00
	Under 12	0.00	0.00
Friday Evening: Cash Bar and hors d'oeuvres		0.00	0.00
Saturday Noon: Trip to Acadian Village and Lunch			
OR	Adults	Price to be determined	
	Under 12	Price to be determined	
Fraser Paper Tour (must be 12 years) & Lunch on your own		Free	Free
Saturday Night Banquet---BUFFET	Adults	\$17.00	\$25.00
	Under 12	\$ 8.50	\$12.50
Sunday Morning---BRUNCH	Adults	\$ 9.00	\$13.00
	Under 12	\$ 4.50	\$ 6.50

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	Under 12	Adult				
Children under 5 FREE						
Sat Noon Lunch Acadian Village						
Fraser Paper Tour in Madawaska					Free	Free
Sat Night Buffet Banquet						
Sunday Brunch						
Registration Fee						
Donation To VFA (Optional)						
Total Enclosed					\$	

Make checks payable to: **VFA Reunion**

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

E-Mail: _____

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