

American-Canadian Genealogical Society of New Hampshire

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At 10:A.M. President Jean Pellerin presided at the opening session of the General Meeting with 117 or more members in attendance at the Chapel Arts Center. He announced, with pleasure, the enrollment of our 1000th member - Robert Des Mules.

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Pauline Methot	Leonard Smith, Jr.

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At the same time, in the Perini Building, Robert Bisailon gave an interesting talk on the Deerfield Massacre, including the names of more than twenty-five who were taken to Canada by the Indians and choosing to remain there with the French.

Both Father Boucher and Robert Bisailon repeated their subject talks during the afternoon as well.

Roger Lawrence very thoroughly explained the great many name changes that are to be dealt with, with comments also by Father Fernand Croteau. This was followed by a panel discussion with the audience on that subject matter.

At twelve noon: The members of the Board voted we incorporate a Heritage Center as an arm of our Society entitled "Centre d'Heritage Franco-Americain du New Hampshire" with five signatures on the paper. It will serve many purposes.

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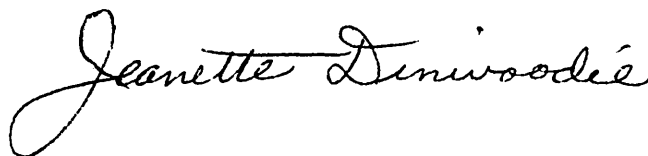
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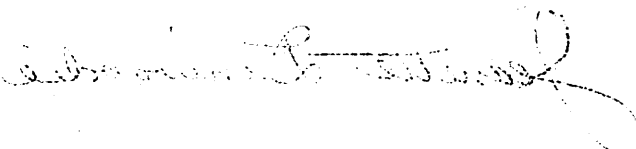
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