

American-Canadian Genealogical Society

Founded September 1973 in New Hampshire

P. O. Box 668
Manchester, NH 03105

ACGS BUSINESS MEETING
OCTOBER 5, 1985
FERRINI BUILDING
ST. ANSELM COLLEGE
MANCHESTER, NH

- The meeting was called to order by President Richard Gagnon at 10:20 a.m.
- He introduced the 1984 - 1985 Board of Directors members who were present.
- The minutes of the 1984 business meeting, conducted on October 6, 1984, were passed out to all present.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- Eugene Tetrault moved to accept the minutes as written. Marcel Lacasse seconded the motion, which was carried by unanimous approval.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

- As Marcel Lacasse was only newly appointed to this position, there was no Corresponding Secretary's Report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Richard Gagnon reviewed details of the current Treasurer's Report. He announced that a full report will be printed in an issue of The Genealogist after the close of this fiscal year (December 31, 1985).

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

- Richard Gagnon delivered the President's Message for 1984 - 1985. The topics he reviewed were:

- Acadian Genealogical and Historical Association
On February 3, 1985, AGHA was dissolved, in the opinion of the Board of Directors of ACGS and ACGS legal counsel, in an improper manner. The Board took successful action to legally resolve the situation in

the best interests of both the membership of AGHA and the membership of ACGS.

--The Genealogist

The quarterly issues produced in 1985, in the larger format, have been well received. Articles on various topics are always needed, and members are encouraged to submit items for consideration.

--The Library

Several improvements have been made in the Library, including the cross-referenced card file produced on computer for the 369 books in the history collection.

--Surname Index

The Surname Index project, which will result in an important reference source for members, is well underway. The Index will be made available within several weeks to every active member. It will contain a surname index, referenced by member numbers, a list of members by numbers, with addresses and phone numbers (where permission has been granted), and a list of local genealogical research collections belonging to members.

--Springfield Repertoires

ACGS is awaiting final permission to publish repertoires for the Springfield, Massachusetts area.

--New Hampshire Records

ACGS is awaiting final permission to publish birth and death records for New Hampshire parishes, subject in each case to agreement by the local parish.

--Research Service Department

The RS Department, due in large part to the hard work and leadership of Louis Valliere, was very successful in 1985. The receipts from RS, totaling approximately \$2,000, may be used to purchase a new microfilm reader for the Library, and additional microfilms containing Quebec information.

--Eugene Lemieux of ACA has generously contributed an Infotex computer system to ACGS.

NEW BUSINESS

--The proposed bylaw change to ARTICLE XVI was reviewed and discussed. Laurie Ebacher proposed to accept the change as written. Louis Valliere seconded the motion, which was carried with all in favor, except for 2 opposed.

The new bylaw reads:

**ARTICLE XVI
DISSOLUTION**

In the event that the American-Canadian Genealogical Society dissolves, all of its properties shall be donated to the Manchester City Library, Manchester, New Hampshire and, therefore, would remain available to all researchers, with the exception of all material on "permanent loan" to the Society.

--Laurie Ebacher announced that he is putting his extensive research library on permanent loan to ACGS. This offer was gratefully accepted.

--A proposed bylaw change to ARTICLE XII was reviewed. Paul D'Amours made a motion to accept this revision as written. This motion was seconded by Eugene Tetreault, and was unanimously accepted.

The new bylaw reads:

**ARTICLE XII
AMENDMENTS**

Section 1. Amendments with Notice

- a. These Bylaws may be amended at any general meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.
- b. Members shall be notified by mail of any recommended Bylaws changes at least 2 weeks prior to the date of the general meeting.
- c. All suggestions for amendments to these Bylaws shall be referred to the Committee on Bylaws for study.
- d. Amendments proposed by the Committee on Bylaws shall be in the hands of the Board of Directors at least two months prior to the scheduled general meeting, and shall be subject to the review and approval of the Board.

Section 2. Amendments without Notice

These Bylaws may be amended without previous notice at any general meeting by nine-nine (99) percent of the members present and voting.

--Albert Belanger suggested that the Board of Directors take into consideration the possibility of organizing a heraldry department at ACGS, possibly using the expertise of Father Gosselin and Vernon Nickerson. It was noted by Richard Gagnon that this suggestion will be considered.

--Irene Racicot spoke on the need for ideas on how ACGS may acquire its own building. Any member with ideas was requested to contact the Board, who will be getting a committee together to handle this topic.

--Richard Gagnon explained that the relationship between ACGS and ACA is quite good, and that the need for ACGS to obtain its own building is not due to conflict, but due to the need for more space. ACA has helped ACGS in many ways including providing publicity and financial benefits, for which ACGS is continuously thankful.

--Jim Norman, Treasurer of Actfane, presented ACGS with a check for \$144 for our promotinal assistance on Actfane's genealogical research trip to Quebec this past summer. The check was accepted by Richard Gagnon.

--ACGS member Ralph Cabana, of Norwood, MA, was chosen as the winner of the Commodore Computer.

ELECTIONS

--Elections were conducted by Director Jean Pellerin. The elections proceded as follows for the open spaces on the Board. Each person was properly nominated and seconded, and each person personally accepted his or her nomination (unless otherwise noted).

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| <u>President:</u> | Richard Gagnon (elected with 70 votes) vs. Donald Scott (36 votes) |
| <u>Vice President:</u> | Helen Tuttle - unopposed - elected with one vote cast by Aurore Dionne, Recording Secretary |
| <u>Treasurer:</u> | Irene Racicot - unopposed - elected with one vote cast by Aurore Dionne, Recording Secretary |
| <u>Recording Secretary:</u> | Aurore Dionne - unopposed - elected with one vote cast by Aurore Dionne, Recording Secretary |
| <u>Corresponding Secretary:</u> | Marcel Lacasse - unopposed - elected with one vote cast by Aurore Dionne, Recording Secretary |

Directors -- 2 year terms: (4 positions open)

Paul Desmarais (elected with 88 votes)
Donald Scott (elected with 67 votes)
Ky Stratoti (elected with 88 votes)

Louis Valliere (elected with 101 votes)
Alfred Yelle* (58 votes)

*Alfred Yelle was not present. His wish to accept the nomination was relayed to the membership present by Richard Gagnon, to whom Mr. Yelle had spoken prior to the business meeting.

--Director Mark Gauthier resigned from the Board. His resignation was accepted by those present. Nominated and seconded to fill the remainder of his term (1 year) was Anne Marie Bradley. She was unopposed and was elected with 1 vote cast by Recording Secretary, Aurore Dionne.

The elections were declared valid by Jean Pellerin. At approximately 5:00 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and accepted.

Note: remaining in office for the second year of their 2 year terms are Directors:

Roland Marchand
Robert Maurier
Jean Pellerin

Respectfully submitted,



Aurore Dionne, Recording Secretary

10/5/86

Date



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1985 FALL CONFERENCE REPORT

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR CONFERENCE \$1925.21
(163 TOTAL REGISTRATION)

TOTAL EXPENDITURES AS OF 10/8/85

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| WINE/CHEESE/PAPER PROD | \$161.13 | |
| DONUTS | \$ 6.15 | |
| SPEAKERS | | |
| BERNARD OUIMET | \$ 75.00 | |
| JOHN MOODY | \$ 60.00 | |
| | | \$ 307.28 |

BALANCE ON HAND AS OF 10/9/85 \$1617.93

ESTIMATED BILLS STILL DUE

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| 80 LUNCHEES AT \$3.75 EA | \$300.00 | |
| (INCLUDES 2 ACGS GUESTS) | | |
| 84 DINNERS AT \$8.50 EA | \$714.00 | |
| (INCLUDES 3 ACGS GUESTS) | | |
| COFFEE FOR 200 AT \$.25 | \$ 50.00 | |
| | | \$1064.00 |

TOTAL ESTIMATED PROFITS \$ 553.93

NOTE:

THE SUCCESS OF THE CONFERENCE IS DUE FOR A LARGE PART TO HELEN TUTTLE WHO MADE SURE THAT EVERYTHING WAS TAKEN CARE OF AS BEST AS POSSIBLE. SHE IS TO BE HIGHLY COMPLIMENTED FOR HER WORK, AND I HOPE IF SHE ACCEPTS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE NEXT TWO CONFERENCES SHE CAN EXPECT MORE HELP FROM MORE OF US.

RICHARD J. GAGNON, PRES.

AMERICAN CANADIAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
 FALL CONFERENCE
 October 4-5-6, 1985

October 4 Friday - Library open 9:00AM - 9:00 PM. Wine and hors d'oeuvres in A.C.A. Salon, 7-9 PM.

October 5 Saturday - St. Anselm's College, Ferrini Bldg., Manchester, NH

PROGRAM

- 08:00-09:00 Registration and coffee.
- 09:00-10:00 Speaker Father Laurence Gosselin - "Heraldry"
 Father is from Our Lady of Ceders Church here in Manchester, NH. He has studied and worked with heraldry for many years, and has done ecclesiastical heraldry for the dioceses of NH. He also designs family crests.
- 10:00-10:40 Business Meeting By-law changes, discussions, voting and other business.
- 10:40-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:15 Speaker Prof. Paul Chasse - "Pleasures of Discovery."
 Paul lives in Somersworth, NH and teaches in Rhode Island. He is a member of ACGS. His talk will show how discovery pays off, and will cover the historical aspects of genealogy in France, Canada and Arcadia.
- 12:15-01:15 Lunch
College Snack Shop Prices \$3-5, Food cooked to order. Stand in line with the students.
College Cafeteria Price \$3.75. Three entree's to choose from. Reservations required.
- 01:15-02:45 Speaker-Workshop Mary Ann LaFleur - "How To Read Old Marraige Contracts, Land Grants, Archivist Reports And Ancient Legal Documents." Mary Ann is a member of ACGS. She has a Master's degree in Early American History from Univ. of N. H. and a BA from Plymouth State College in European History.
- 02:45-03:15 Business Meeting Election of officers and new business.
- 03:15-03:30 Coffee Break
- 03:30-05:00 Speaker Mr. John Moody "Indian Genealogy"
 Mr. Moody is a graduate of Dartmouth College. He will tell us of the Indians of the 18th and 19th centuries in NH, NY, VT and Quebec who are related to French, Dutch, Scotch, German, Irish and English settlers, and their linkage to specific known tribes.
- 05:00-06:00 Cocktail Hour
- 06:00-07:30 Banquet and Awards
- 07:30- ? Banquet Speaker Mr. Bernard Ouimet " French Canadian Folk Songs, Their Folklore And Their History." Sing along and question period.

October 6 Sunday - Library open 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM for research.

Send Reservations and Money to:
 Helen Tuttle 603/622-1574
 31 Benton Rd.
 Hooksett, N.H. 03106

Pre-registration and Banquet\$-----
 Banquet only\$-----
 Lunch at Cafeteria\$-----
 TOTAL.....\$-----

BANQUET MENU

Buffet Style

Chicken Bordeaux (stuffed breast in wine sauce
with green grapes)
Seafood Newburg in Patty Shell
Rice Pilaf, peas and onions.
Tossed Salad with blue cheese or French dressing.
Gelatin molds, cottage cheese, relish tray with
variety and fresh vegetables.
Rolls and butter.
Pumpkin pie and cookies.
Coffee, tea or milk
Reservations required - - - \$10.00

MOTELS & HOTELS

Prices Quoted 7/8/85
7% Tax Included

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| <u>Susse Chalet Motor Inn</u> | Manchester | 603/625-2020 |
| Double Bed | \$32.70 + \$4.00 | for second person |
| Single Bed | \$32.70 + \$4.00 | for second person |
| King Size Bed | \$34.80 + \$4.00 | for second person |

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| <u>Koala Inn</u> | Manchester | 603/668-6110 |
| Double | \$50.29 | |
| Single | \$46.01 | |

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| <u>Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge</u> | Manchester | 603/668-2600 |
| Queen Size | \$52.90 1 per | \$56.90 2 pers. |
| Double | \$56.62 1 per | \$60.92 2 pers. |
| Single | \$46.90 1 per | \$50.22 2 pers. |

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| <u>Holiday Inn (West)</u> | Manchester | 603/669-2660 |
| Double | \$59.92 | |
| Single | \$52.43 | |
| King | \$65.27 | |

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| <u>Center of N.H. (Holiday Inn)</u> | Manchester | 603/625-1000 |
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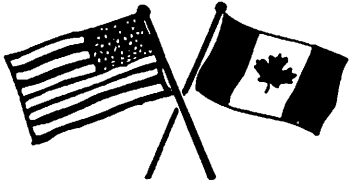
Call Hotel for reservations and current prices.

Conference Registration Fee at Door-----\$5.00

Pre-registration and Saturday Banquet-----\$12.50

Banquet only -----\$10.00

Lunch at Cafeteria -----\$3.75



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DUES RENEWAL NOTICE

Dear ACGS Member:

It's that time of the year again. Fall is here and so comes the time to remind you about our annual dues. Please send your check, made out to American Canadian Genealogical Society, to P.O. Box 668, Manchester, NH 03105, by Wednesday, January 1, so that we may process your membership renewal for the 1985-1986 term.

We heard from many of you recently when you sent in your Surname Index forms. Several members, both active and inactive, have asked us to explain our membership policy.

We still, for the present time, charge \$10 for the first member, \$5 for each additional family member residing in the same house, \$150 for Life membership, and \$75 for an Associate Life member. Due to the additional mailing costs of sending The Genealogist and other materials out of the country, we have recently increased our yearly fee for the first member by \$2 for those members who reside outside the United States.

We have added an additional membership category, "Paid Institution." This applies to libraries, societies, businesses, and other organizations. The yearly fee for Paid Institutions is \$20.

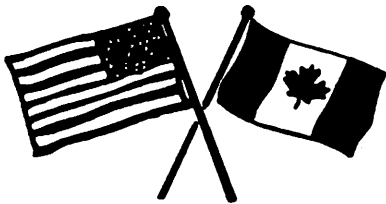
We cannot promise how long these rates will remain in effect since we are now looking deeply into our finances and what the future holds for us. So I suggest you renew now to be sure of the low cost. We are anticipating a very productive year and hope you will support us. You may wish to consider giving a friend or relative a membership in ACGS as a Christmas gift. If so, send us their name and address along with the dues payment and we will send it to them with a gift card letting them know it was from you. Everyone, including yourself, will benefit by such a thoughtful gift.

Genealogically yours,

Richard J. Gagnon, President

Please disregard if already paid

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AGENDA FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OCTOBER 14, 1985

- 1) ROLL CALL
- 2) PRESIDENT'S OPENING MESSAGE
- 3) RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT
- 4) CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT
- 5) LIBRARY BOARD REPORT
 - A) LAST MEETING REPORT
 - B) RESIGNATION OF CHAIRMAN
 - C) APPOINTMENT OF NEW CHAIRMAN
- 6) EDITORIAL BOARD REPORT
- 7) R.S. REPORT
- 8) CONFERENCE FINAL REPORT
- 9) SURNAME INDEX UPDATE
- 10) OLD BUSINESS
 - A) GENEALOGIST INDEX
 - B) LETTER FROM BISHOP
- 11) NEW BUSINESS
 - A) MICROFILM READER & REELS
 - B) HERALDRY COMMITTEE
 - C) PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE
 - D) MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
 - E) PUBLICITY COMMITTEE
 - a) PERMISSION FROM LAFOREST
- 12) ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY NOVEMBER 12, 1985 7:00 AT THE LIBRARY