

# **American-Canadian Genealogical Society**

## **Meeting of the Officers and Board of Directors**

October 9, 2003

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM.

Present were Marcel Jussaume, Diane Thibault, Connie Hamel, Bob Poaquette, Don Chaput, Jeanne Boisvert, Julie Smith, Paul Lambert, Lorraine Huppe, Amber Beland and Norma Boyce

Absent was Roger Lanctot.

Marcel welcomed the new Board members. Each Board member introduced themselves and spoke about the committee(s) they sat on and other volunteer work they did for the Society.

Marcel announced that the Board of Directors would continue to meet at 6 PM every second Thursday of the month.

Marcel then gave an overview of how the meetings would be conducted.

### **Corresponding Secretary – Diane Thibault**

Diane submitted her report electronically for returning Board members, and in hard copy for the new members. She explained the contents of her report.

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted, with the provision that the paragraph about Pepin be changed to “balance due us”. The recorded, accepted minutes of the board meetings from May 2002 through September 2003 had been burned on CD by Norma Boyce, Recording Secretary. Norma asked Paul Lambert to put both the CD and the binder containing the written minutes of the meetings in the office upstairs for safe keeping. Paul agreed to do so.

### **Treasurer’s Report – Paul Lambert**

Paul distributed copies of the financial statements of the society.

### **Vice President’s Report - Bob Paquette**

Bob distributed a written report and also spoke about the Gunstock trip for the presentation before the Boy Scout Jamboree.

Conversation followed.

### **President’s Report - Marcel Jussaume**

Report submitted.

### **Committee Reports**

**Acquisitions – no report**

### **Buildings and Grounds**

Report submitted electronically.

**Conferences** – no report

**Editorial Board** – no report.

**Elevator/ Grants**

Report submitted electronically.

Conversation ensued about the elevator project.

**Inventory** – no report

**Library Board** – no report

**Membership** – report submitted electronically

Julie Smith explained her report.

**Computer Committee** – report submitted electronically

Bob Paquette spoke about his report.

**Publicity** – no chair – no report.

Conversation ensued about the Chamber of Commerce, and the advantages/disadvantages of membership.

**Publications** – no report

**Research** – no report

**Website** – no report

#### Old Business

- A. Marcel said he contacted Jean Pierre Pepin regarding the Drouin collection and asked Jean to put the details of their last conversation in writing, as was requested at the previous BOD meeting.

Conversation followed.

- B. Marcel mentioned that the Mormons had been told “no” relative to their request for permission to duplicate the repertoires and ACGS’ release to the rights to the works.
- C. Regarding Quintin, Marcel reported that the books have been brought back. He further stated that Roger Lanctot and Muriel Normand would conduct an inventory and accounting of the books.

#### New Business

- A. Julie Smith requested a computer at the front desk to aid the librarians in obtaining membership information. Bob Paquette agreed to hook up the computer.

- B. Julie Smith also requested a “membership committee”. She said that Mike Melanson does help, but she really needed 3 others and a committee chair.

Marcel suggested that Julie write up a piece for the website, and for possible posting in the Journal.

Jeanne Boisvert offered to join the membership committee, and was welcomed by Julie.

- C. Connie Hamel inquired about a "speaker's committee". She indicated that she would like to set one up. Marcel suggested that Connie set up the committee and serve as committee chair. He requested that Connie put a statement together describing the work of the speaker's committee so that it could be put up on the website. Connie indicated that the committee would do things like organize a speaker and presentation like they did for the recent Boy Scout Jamboree at Gunstock.
- D. Paul Lambert reported on the air conditioner checks he had received. Circuit City cancelled the service contract because the contract covers only household use. The amount received was \$79.99 for each of 4 air conditioners for a total of \$319.96.
- D. Marcel explained, for the benefit of the new board members, the process of electronic voting. Norma further explained that it was very important for everyone to send their vote "back to the entire board" so that the votes could be tallied and properly recorded in the minutes of the Society. She explained that when votes are sent back to the presenter, the presenter is the only one who knows about the tally. Norma further explained that it was important that for every board member know how the voting was going and when the sufficient number of votes had been cast for the article to pass/fail.
- E. Marcel stated that he had appointed Lucie LeBlanc-Consentino to fill the Director's seat vacated by Bob Paquette, and also as Conference Committee Chair, and that she had accepted both positions.  
  
Paul suggested that a letter be sent to Lucie acknowledging the great job she did on the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary conference.
- F. Diane Thibault suggested that ACGS use one page of the Genealogist to place "wants ads" requesting individuals to be "representatives" of the society in certain cities/towns, and also to request volunteers for open positions. Don Chaput suggested this information be included in the President's letter, and put in both Genealogist and on the website.
- G. Marcel stated that David Bonitabus requested ACGS pay for repair to the copier that he used to do the repertoires.

MOTION MADE BY CONNIE HAMEL, SECONDED BY DIANE THIBAUT, TO ASK DAVID BONIITABUS TO CHECK INTO THE REPAIR COST TO THE COPIER VERSUS THE REPLACEMENT COST. MOTION PASSED.

- F. Bob Paquette announced that the Desjardins CD had been offered to ACGS at a 15% discount.  
  
Conversation followed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Boyce # 7655  
Recording Secretary  
American-Canadian Genealogical Society

## Herb and Norma Boyce

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**From:** "Marcel Jussaume" <marcelj@comcast.net>  
**To:** "Paquette, Bob" <bobpaquette@comcast.net>; "Lambert\_Paul" <LAMBPAUL@aol.com>; "Diane Thibault" <DiThibault@yahoo.com>; "Boyce, Herb and Norma " <h-n-boyce-sr@comcast.net>; "Smith, Julie" <Rocksmithj@aol.com>; "Beland\_Amber" <ElectraRos@aol.com>; "Hamel, Connie" <cmhamel@gsinet.net>; "Chaput, Don" <donchaput@aol.com>; <jmv42@aol.com>; <mhuppe@comcast.net>; "Lanctot, Roger" <rlanctot@bit-net.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 01, 2003 7:38 PM  
**Subject:** Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting Notice

Hello Officers and Directors,

This is to let you all know that there is a BOD meeting next Thursday 10/09/2003 at 6pm at the ACGS Library.

Please let me know that you received this notice, I want to make sure that I have everybody's email address correct.

To all of those who are returning, welcome back. To those who are new to the Board welcome onboard and we are looking forward to working with you. I am planning on sending out to the new board members later this week the last 2 BOD meeting minutes, so you will have an idea of what have been doing.

As a rule I do check my email at least once a day and it is probably the best way to reach me. If I am not on business travel I can be reached by phone in the evening at home at 978-957-5848. That is in Dracut, MA.

If there are any Board Agenda Items that you want me to put on the schedule for the meeting please let me know.  
 Old business, New business, etc.

I will ask that all committees please have paper copies of their reports available at the meeting as well as the electronic submissions.  
 If I hear back from everybody this week we might be able to get the Board email list at acgs.org updated, so that we can use that.

In your reply to me please indicate if you have a preferred email address for us to contact each other at.. You will all have an email address from the acgs.org web site that will automatically forward mail from the acgs address to your home email address.

I am looking forward to working with all of you as a team and I am hoping we can accomplish as much as we did this past year.

Best Regards,  
 Marcel Jussaume # 7567  
 ACGS President

October 9, 2002

TO: Board of Directors

From: Diane Thibault

Subject: Correspondence Report for Month of September 2003

*Diane*

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The following correspondence was sent for the month of September

15 "Thank you" for donations of money  
1 "Thank you" for donations of books / equipment  
2 Request for information  
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18 Total

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Thibault

Totals – September 2003 to August 2004

<u>Month</u>	<u>\$ Donations</u>	<u>Books</u>	<u>Inquires</u>	<u>Misc</u>	<u>Total</u>
September	15	1	2		18
October					
November					
December					
January					
February					
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
August					
Totals	15	1	2		18

**American Canadian Genealogical Society  
Board of Directors Meeting**

**09 October 2003**

Roll Call:

Excused:

Recording Secretary's Minutes: (Norma Boyce)

Officers Reports:

- A. Corresponding Secretary: (Diane Thibault)
- B. Treasurer: (Paul Lambert)
- C. Vice President: (Bob Paquette)
- D. President: (Marcel Jussaume)

Committee Reports:

Acquisitions: (TBD)

Building Grounds & Safety: (Marcel Jussaume)

Conferences: (Lucie LeBlanc Consentino)

Editorial Board: (Pauline Cusson)

Elevator: (Norma Boyce)

Grants: (Norma Boyce)

Inventory: (Muriel Norman)

Library Board: (TBD)

Membership: (Julie Smith)

Publicity: (TBD)

Publications : (Pauline Cote)

Research: (Constance Hébert)

Web Site: (Lucie Consentino LeBlanc)

*Computers*

**Old Business:**

**Jean Pierre Pepin and the Drouin Collections**  
**Mormons request again to copy and reproduce our repertoires**

**New Business:**

**Goals for this year:**

**Meeting adjourned:**

**Next Meeting:** 13 November 2003, at \_\_\_\_\_pm

2:43 PM  
11/08/03  
Accrual Basis

**American-Canadian Genealogical Society**  
**Income/Expense**  
**September 2003**

	<u>Sep 03</u>
<b>6400 · LIBRARY EXP</b>	
6401 · Postage	7.75
6402 · Supplies	90.87
6404 · Equip. Maint	365.85
6405 · Beverages	117.88
<b>Total 6400 · LIBRARY EXP</b>	<u>582.35</u>
<b>6600 · CONFERENCE EXP</b>	
6604 · Speakers	2,726.89
6605 · Caterer & Refreshments	542.30
6609 · Other	315.00
<b>Total 6600 · CONFERENCE EXP</b>	<u>3,584.19</u>
<b>6700 · SOCIETY EXP</b>	
6703 · Telephone	106.37
6707 · Bank Charges	7.60
6710 · Credit Card Charges	91.79
6712 · Internet Services	64.90
<b>Total 6700 · SOCIETY EXP</b>	<u>270.66</u>
<b>6800 · BUILDING EXP</b>	
6801 · Heat	126.91
6802 · Electricity	328.52
6803 · Water-Sewer	30.50
6805 · Building Maint.	1,422.90
6806 · Grounds Maint.	60.00
<b>Total 6800 · BUILDING EXP</b>	<u>1,968.83</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>6,606.02</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u><u>8,625.50</u></u>

**UPDATED COPY November 8, 2003**

<b>ADJUSTMENTS TO 10/8/03 REPORT</b>	<b>INCOME</b>
	Acct 4101 \$ 830.00
	Acct 4602 <u>118.50</u>
	<b>NET 948.50</b>

<b>EXPENSES</b>
Acct. 6202 \$ 172.22
Acct. 6404 305.85
Acct. 6405 19.98
Acct 6604 2726.89
Acct 6605 <u>542.30</u>
<b>NET 3767.24</b>



**American-Canadian Genealogical Society**  
**Income/Expense Previous Year Comparison**  
**September 2003**

	Sep 03	Sep 02	\$ Change	% Change
<b>Income</b>				
<b>4100 · MEMBERSHIP</b>				
4101 · Dues	5,475.00	3,430.00	2,045.00	59.6%
<b>Total 4100 · MEMBERSHIP</b>	5,475.00	3,430.00	2,045.00	59.6%
<b>4200 · PUBLICATIONS</b>				
4201 · Used Book Sales	0.00	487.78	-487.78	-100.0%
4203 · Repertoires	897.00	186.00	711.00	382.3%
4204 · Index & Holdings	51.50	39.56	11.94	30.2%
4205 · Jette & White	390.00	1,168.00	-778.00	-66.6%
4206 · CD Roms	117.00	304.80	-187.80	-61.6%
4207 · Fr, Croteau Publications	32.50	25.50	7.00	27.5%
4208 · Orphan Publications	340.90	238.17	102.73	43.1%
<b>Total 4200 · PUBLICATIONS</b>	1,828.90	2,449.81	-620.91	-25.4%
<b>4300 · GENEALOGIST</b>				
4301 · Back Issues	18.50	27.00	-8.50	-31.5%
<b>Total 4300 · GENEALOGIST</b>	18.50	27.00	-8.50	-31.5%
<b>4400 · LIBRARY</b>				
4401 · All Copies	87.90	211.73	-123.83	-58.5%
4402 · Maps-Charts-Guides	583.58	176.80	406.78	230.1%
4403 · Guest Fees	120.00	180.00	-60.00	-33.3%
4404 · Pins	70.00	0.00	70.00	100.0%
4405 · Beverages	43.45	31.00	12.45	40.2%
4406 · Candy & Snacks	25.00	0.00	25.00	100.0%
<b>Total 4400 · LIBRARY</b>	929.93	599.53	330.40	55.1%
<b>4500 · RESEARCH</b>				
4501 · Reasearch Income	100.00	220.00	-120.00	-54.6%
<b>Total 4500 · RESEARCH</b>	100.00	220.00	-120.00	-54.6%
<b>4600 · CONFERENCE</b>				
4601 · Attend Fees	2,733.46	2,200.00	533.46	24.3%
4602 · Raffle	0.00	77.00	-77.00	-100.0%
4607 · Used Books Sales	152.10	0.00	152.10	100.0%
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**September 2003**

10/09/03

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<b>6600 · CONFERENCE EXP</b>				
6604 · Speakers	2,726.89	1,188.75	1,538.14	129.4%
6605 · Caterer & Refreshments	542.30	83.52	458.78	549.3%
6609 · Other	315.00	0.00	315.00	100.0%
<b>Total 6600 · CONFERENCE EXP</b>	<u>3,584.19</u>	<u>1,272.27</u>	<u>2,311.92</u>	<u>181.7%</u>
<b>6700 · SOCIETY EXP</b>				
6702 · Supplies	0.00	37.95	-37.95	-100.0%
6703 · Telephone	106.37	104.50	1.87	1.8%
6707 · Bank Charges	7.60	8.70	-1.10	-12.6%
6710 · Credit Card Charges	91.79	50.89	40.90	80.4%
6712 · Internet Services	64.90	0.00	64.90	100.0%
<b>Total 6700 · SOCIETY EXP</b>	<u>270.66</u>	<u>202.04</u>	<u>68.62</u>	<u>34.0%</u>
<b>6800 · BUILDING EXP</b>				
6801 · Heat	126.91	23.00	103.91	451.8%
6802 · Electricity	328.52	329.13	-0.61	-0.2%
6803 · Water-Sewer	30.50	30.50	0.00	0.0%
6805 · Building Maint.	1,422.90	300.00	1,122.90	374.3%
6806 · Grounds Maint.	60.00	60.00	0.00	0.0%
<b>Total 6800 · BUILDING EXP</b>	<u>1,968.83</u>	<u>742.63</u>	<u>1,226.20</u>	<u>165.1%</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>6,606.02</u>	<u>6,204.25</u>	<u>401.77</u>	<u>6.5%</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u><u>7,677.00</u></u>	<u><u>4,102.40</u></u>	<u><u>3,574.60</u></u>	<u><u>87.1%</u></u>

10/09/03

**American-Canadian Genealogical Society**  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of September 30, 2003

	<b>Sep 30, 03</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
<b>Checking/Savings</b>	
<b>1000 · BANK ACCOUNTS</b>	
1001 · CHECKING ACCOUNT-BNH	45,505.85
1002 · CHEQUING - CANADIAN FUNDS	1,388.79
1003 · BUILDING FUND-BNH	16,755.24
1004 · BOOK FUND-SMB	5,638.87
1005 · CASH ON HAND-CASH REG	150.00
1006 · PETTY CASH-VOLUNTEERS	200.00
1007 · C.D. SMB 10/18/2002	1,113.06
1009 · LIFE MEMB. ACCT. BNH	2,609.85
1000 · BANK ACCOUNTS - Other	1,705.15
<b>Total 1000 · BANK ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>75,066.81</b>
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	<b>75,066.81</b>
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	
1100 · ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	749.31
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>749.31</b>
<b>Other Current Assets</b>	
1300 · INVENTORY-RESALE	64,908.85
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	<b>64,908.85</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>140,724.97</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	
<b>1500 · Fixed Assets</b>	
1501 · LIBRARY BUILDING	221,756.66
1502 · FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	81,519.33
1503 · ACGS HOLDINGS	206,404.72
<b>Total 1500 · Fixed Assets</b>	<b>509,680.71</b>
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>509,680.71</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>650,405.68</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>Equity</b>	
3000 · OPENING BALANCE EQUITY	516,249.70
3900 · RETAINED EARNINGS	100,639.60
Net Income	33,516.38
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>650,405.68</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>650,405.68</b>

**Vice-President's Report  
October 2003**

As mentioned at the last board meeting, ACGS was asked by Craig Donais to make a presentation at the Boy Scout Jamboree which took place at Gunstock Ski Area last weekend. A group of us were present there to include Al & Connie Hamel who went up on Friday night and did the initial setup on Saturday morning. Gerry & Rose Lalonde, Mary-Anna Paquette and Bob & Jan Paquette were there on Saturday to assist Al & Connie.

There were 5,000 or so attendees in spite of the rainy conditions. Quite a bit of interest was generated probably as much among the adult committee members as with the scouts. Many pedigree charts were given out along with tri-folds and our business card.

Let's hope for a favorable return.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Paquette, #3262

10/09/2003

## President's Report

Attended the Fall Conference Soirée.

Attended and presided over the Fall Conference and Business Meeting.

Contacted all newly elected Directors to inform them of our meeting time and to obtain contact information.

Received and responded to several phone calls, emails and correspondence concerning the fall conference, elections and ACGS happenings.

I have been contacted by the AFGS to inquire about some of our Policies and Procedures. They are going through some revisions and updates to theirs. One interesting question they had was what is our policy on members and or guest using digital photography to "Copy" our microfilm, repertoires and the like?

Received another letter from the Mormon's requesting permission to copy our Repertoires this time adding that they wish to do so to hard cover bind our repertoires and need to adjust margins..... They still want carte blanche to reproduce them as well. Answer from us will still be no.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcel J Jussaume

ACGS President 2003-2004

10/08/2003

**Buildings Grounds and Safety Committee Report:**

Replaced the florescent light in the first floor entryway. Thanks Herb.

Stocked up the Soda and snack machines for the conference. Thanks Herb.

Cleaned out the kitchen sink drainpipe. The water was backing up and draining very slowly. The drainpipe required a major angioplasty to clear the years of cholesterol. I would wish that job on anybody!!!!

Scheduled appointment with Johnson Controls to check out and adjust the boiler for this years heating season. They were suppose to come in 10/08/03 but had to cancel for another emergency.

Portland Glass came in to look at the back door for repair or replacement. They were also directed to repair the Window on the second floor. That has been repaired. They also adjusted and lubricated the first floor back doors they seem to be working well now.

Purchased a wireless headset microphone for the PA System. It worked out very well for the conference. Lots of comments about being able to hear the speakers even over the motorcycles rumbling by.

Purchased 2 cases of Paper Towels for the lavatories. Previous procurement was the wrong type for our dispensers. I obtained the correct Rolls and stocked all lavatories.

Set up the conference room for the Fall Conference and Business Meeting. Operated the PA and projectors for the guest speakers.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcel J Jussaume  
Buildings, Grounds and Safety Chair

# American-Canadian Genealogical Society

## Elevator / Grant Committee Report

October 9, 2003

### Reporting Period:

Because no report was submitted at the September BOD meeting, this report will report activity from the June 12, 2003 meeting to the end of September.

### Meeting arranged by Lucille Caron-Lagasse and Atty. Kim Zachos with the Officers of the Society and the co-founders on July 1, 2003:

Also present at that meeting held at the library was Lucie LeBlanc-Consentino, Marcel Jussaume, Diane Thibault, Roger Lawrence, Paul Lambert and Norma Boyce.

Lucille Caron-Lagasse had arranged this meeting with Atty. Kim Zachos because she had expressed concerns to him after her accident that the library did not have an elevator and he felt he could offer assistance.

- A. Atty. Kim Zachos requested, and received, background information on the Society.
- B. Atty. Kim Zachos made the following suggestions:
  1. Contact the Cogswell Trust administered by David Goodwin, local Funeral Home Director.
  2. Hire a Professional Fundraiser, such as Carolyn Benthien of Goffstown.
  3. Set up a face-to-face meeting with newly elected Congressman Jeb Bradley.
  4. Contact the Ann Denicola Trust through the Citizens Bank.
  5. Contact the Bean Foundation, here in Manchester.
  6. Contact the Manchester Regional Community Foundation at 37 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH, ATTN: Rachel Stewart and tell her we were referred by Atty. Zachos.
  7. Contact Atty. Bob At. Pierre, would is a member of the Society as he could possibly help
  8. Contact the Agnes Lindsay Trust, administered by Atty. Chiesa of 660 Chestnut St., Manchester, NH.
  9. Contact the Franco-American Council at PO Box 3589, Manchester, NH 03108
  10. Contact Douglas McIninch of the McIninch Foundation, 555 Canal Street, Manchester, NH 03101

Atty. Zachos then asked what we had done already. Norma Boyce stated that we had already contacted the NH Congressional Delegation, and was working with Senator John Sununu's office. She also stated that she had sent out over 80 "Elevator Project" packets to trusts, foundations, businesses, local politicians and organizations requesting financial assistance, including most of those suggested by Atty. Zachos. She further stated that a few, 3 or 4, of these had invited us to submit applications for grants, but that, even if we were successful in the granting process, the proceeds would be a very small portion in comparison to the total dollar needs of the complete elevator project. She also stated that we were talking with Otis Elevator of Portland, ME.

Atty. Zachos said that it looked like the Society has already done most that he would have thought of.

Lucille Caron-Lagasse then thanked Atty. Zachos for all his suggestions. She told Atty. Zachos that she felt that he would also be presenting information on trusts and foundations that he, personally and professionally, administered that he felt would be able to help us. Atty. Zachos said he that he didn't know of any.

Conversation ensued.

We all thanked Atty. Zachos for his time. Lucille Caron-Lagasse then gave Atty. Zachos a tour of the library.



### Otis Elevator:

As was previously reported, Mr. Carl Dick, my contact at Otis Elevator in Portland, ME had advised that the plans and paperwork packet on the elevator were "upstairs with the big boys". Mr. Dick has been on vacation and busy at site locations most of the summer. On September 25, 2003, I spoke with Mr. Dick and he advised me that the paperwork and plans had been sent out for "site evaluation". This means that Otis reps will be evaluating our building, submitting a preliminary proposal and giving us some indication what, if anything, Otis may be able to do to help us. There is no guarantee that Otis, or their parent company United Technologies, will help us, but as long as the door is open, we will continue to "court" them.

### Replies to Elevator Packet Mailings:

Replies to the 80+ packet-mailing that was sent out to Trusts, Foundations, Businesses, local politicians and organizations continue to come in. Three or four trust/foundations have invited us to apply for grants with them, but, even if successful, none will provide significant financial amounts toward the elevator.

### Telephone and In-Person Conversations:

Over the summer, on various occasions, I spoke with local people and businesses who I felt were in a position to offer some financial assistance, or, at least, connections. What I learned really quickly, much to my displeasure, was that the French-Canadians, in the Manchester area primarily, were not as highly respected as I expected them to be. In fact, even French-Canadians in successful positions and businesses were quick to admit this, and pointed out that our elevator project was in for an uphill battle. Most frequently mentioned was that the French-Canadian are not a cohesive, loyal, peace-loving group.

### Senator Sununu's Office:

Sheridan Brown, assistant to Senator Sununu, has provided me with the following information as potential sources of funding:

1. U.S. Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) Community Facilities Program
2. U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Block Grant (CDBG) Program
3. NH Business Finance Authority

I will review these and report in a future meeting.

In addition, Senator Sununu's office provided us with the New Hampshire Charitable Funds Directory from the Division of Charitable Trusts. While I have approached many of these trusts and foundations, already I will review the directory to see if there are others that might be potential funding sources.

### Co-Founder Lucille Caron-Lagasse's Opinion:

Lucille's position is that she feels the members have paid enough out of their pockets. However, she doesn't want federal, state or local government financial assistance because she feels they will then want to "be in our hip pocket" and dictate the activities of the society. She would prefer that we receive money from non-governmental trusts and foundations.

Decisions To Be Made:

Even before Otis completes its site evaluation, I am going to approach the Board of Directors as to their opinion on the direction the Elevator Project should take, knowing that funding from the Manchester CIP (Community Improvement Project) is dead (and really never was a source) and that, while a few trusts and foundations have invited us to apply for a grant, there seems to be no significant sources of financial assistance.

I encourage the BOD to think about this during October, as I plan to put this issue on the agenda for the November 2003 BOD meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Elevator / Grant Committee Chair  
**American-Canadian Genealogical Society**

MEMBERSHIP REPORT  
FOR MONTH OF  
September 2003

New Members:	20
Renewals:	180
Donations to Building Fund/Acquisitions:	\$200.00
Total Number of Active Members:	2370
Active Members	1930
Family Members	190
Student	3
Exchange	122
Life	116
Life Family	4
<u>L</u> ife <u>G</u> enealogist (1 <sup>st</sup> class postage)	0
<u>A</u> ctive <u>G</u> enealogist (1 <sup>st</sup> class postage)	5

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## Membership Reminder Notices Report

October 2003

<u>Membership Type</u>	<b>Renewals</b>	<b>Reminders</b>	<b>Renewals</b> <i>(Previously sent out)</i>
	<u>November 2003</u>	<u>August 2003</u>	<u>August 2003</u>
US Individual (\$30)	106	46	192
US Family (\$45)	9	-	17
Canadian Individual (\$38)	-	-	-
Canadian Family (\$57)	-	-	-
Overseas Individual (\$50)	-	-	-
Institutional (\$50)	3	-	2
<b>Total:</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>211</b>

*Submitted by Michael B. Melanson, #2803*

## **Computer Committee Report October 2003**

The Computer Committee had the following activities during the past month:

Failure to logon to internet or e-mail with research computer – resolved.

Loaded one of the new Dell computers with Dictionaire des Familles du Quebec Ancien recently purchased by acquisitions. This is the so-called Jette CD which covers a period to 1765. It is actually a product of Bertrand Desjardins demographer and published by Gaeten Morin the folks who have put out PRDH on CD. I don't believe it to be as detailed as Jette but I haven't explored it a great deal. I think it will be a good complement to Jette and PRDH.

We have acquired an Access database of the burials of St. Joseph's Cemetery in Manchester. This is an ongoing project being done by Jack Stanton for the last couple years. He has obtained permission for us to have it. It is currently on the Archives computer but we will have it on more of the pc's out on the floor. There are currently about 16,000 entries and the period from 1917 to 1952 has yet to be added. He adds about 400 entries per month.

Respectfully submitted:

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Computer Committee Co-chair