

AMERICAN CANADIAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
MINUTES OF THE BOARD
February 11, 2007

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by the president, Gerry Savard.

Members present: Paul Lambert, Jeanne Boisvert, Julie Smith, Pauline Cusson, Roger Lanctot, Gerry Savard, Jackie Watson, Anne Gleason, Constance Hebert, Bob Paquette, Muriel Normand

Excused: Lorraine Huppe, Marie Jeanne Chaput

Guests: Mary Anna Paquette, Pauly Labbe

REPORTS of OFFICERS

Recording Secretary:

- Julie moved to accept minutes of the January meeting as corrected. Anne, second, passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- 1100 assets do not need to be changed since the process of debit and credit is still followed accurately, no invoices will be changed.
- Several revenue accounts up from January 06 however membership is down. Some expenses, particularly heat and plowing, are also down.
- Report filed for audit

Corresponding Secretary

- No report submitted
- Lorette will continue to manage the Drouin donations and Marie Jeanne will handle mail distribution.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Building and Grounds

- Initial cost for wall repair is \$592. Herb will get estimate for further work.
- Lights in both bathrooms have been replaced due to deteriorated wiring. Board approved payment of \$1100.
- Board anticipating need for extensive electrical work and the addition of a dropped ceiling to reduce HVAC costs. Gerry will ask Herb to identify 3 potential vendors so that we may obtain competitive bids.

The following reports were received electronically

Computer Committee

Web Site

Publications

Membership

Research

- Revenue is up due to Drouin requests and additional charges for difficult searches. There are few easy ones.

Conference

- Schedule and presenters are completed. Computer track? Border crossings?

OLD BUSINESS

- Gerry presented web site mock up for "Buck a book".
- Roger moved to begin the Buck a book offering, excepting #82 (Catherine de Baillon), #39 and #50 (few). This will include all years through 1999. Jackie second, motion passed.
- Board agreed to begin membership incentive (Beginner CD) as discussed last month, on April 1st. (can't remember if we're doing the books by mail as well)
- Albany diocese: Letters sent, including cover letter from Gerry, detailed documentation of process of obtaining diocesan and parish permission beginning in 1996.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mary Anna presented several alternative binderies since Atlantic will no longer pick up and deliver. After discussion, she will submit requirements to Acme bookbinding and Higginson, the latter located in Salem (MA or NH?)
- Mary Anna has accepted the position of Library Director to resounding cheers from the board!
- Drouin is coming to Ancestry.ca, we will make no changes on our policies except to highlight our translation services on the Research page. Apparently, they are planning to index it over time with the help of PRDH but will initially simply offer images in the current format.
- We have received permission to publish the records of Phaneuf Funeral Home in Nashua (1906-1930). These records contain addresses as well as items that do not directly with the deaths of individuals. Julie moved to publish the records with addresses as written, second by Anne. Motion carried unanimously. Constance moved to not publish items not directly referencing death of individuals, second Muriel. Motion carried, Julie opposed.

Respectfully submitted

Muriel Normand
Recording Secretary

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American-Canadian Genealogical Society
Balance Sheet
 As of January 31, 2007

Jan 31, 07

ASSETS**Current Assets****Checking/Savings****1000 · BANK ACCOUNTS**

1001 · CHECKING ACCOUNT-BNH	18,278.27
1002 · CHEQUING - CANADIAN FUNDS	1,160.25
1003 · BUILDING FUND-BNH	4,594.31
1004 · BOOK FUND-SMB	7,269.48
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

Total 1000 · BANK ACCOUNTS	35,375.22
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Total Checking/Savings	35,375.22
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Accounts Receivable**1100 · ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

1101 · Paid Invoices	-216.14
1100 · ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE - Other	381.45

Total 1100 · ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	165.31
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Total Accounts Receivable	165.31
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Other Current Assets**1300 · INVENTORY-RESALE**

	64,908.85
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Total Other Current Assets	64,908.85
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Total Current Assets	100,449.38
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Fixed Assets**1500 · Fixed Assets**

1501 · LIBRARY BUILDING	230,172.38
1502 · FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	110,626.21
1503 · ACGS HOLDINGS	314,238.62

Total 1500 · Fixed Assets	655,037.21
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Total Fixed Assets	655,037.21
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TOTAL ASSETS	755,486.59
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY**Liabilities****Long Term Liabilities****2700 · NOTE PAYABLE**

2701 · NOTES PAYABLE (DROUIN)	80,000.00
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Total 2700 · NOTE PAYABLE	80,000.00
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2703 · . DROUIN PRINCIPLE	-60,948.92
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Total Long Term Liabilities	19,051.08
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Total Liabilities	19,051.08
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American-Canadian Genealogical Society
Balance Sheet
As of January 31, 2007

	<u>Jan 31, 07</u>
Equity	
3000 - OPENING BALANCE EQUITY	517,014.97
3900 - RETAINED EARNINGS	215,445.04
Net Income	3,975.50
Total Equity	<u>736,435.51</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>755,486.59</u></u>

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Accrual Basis

American-Canadian Genealogical Society
Income/Expense
January 2007

	<u>Jan 07</u>
Income	
4100 · MEMBERSHIP	
4101 · Dues	3,954.00
Total 4100 · MEMBERSHIP	<u>3,954.00</u>
4200 · PUBLICATIONS	
4203 · Repertoires	1,028.23
4204 · Index & Holdings	42.00
4206 · CD Roms	147.50
4207 · Fr, Croteau Publications	13.00
4208 · Orphan Pub. & Index	126.90
4209 · Other	-110.00
Total 4200 · PUBLICATIONS	<u>1,247.63</u>
4400 · LIBRARY	
4401 · All Copies except Drouin copies	61.65
4402 · Maps-Charts-Beginners' Course	163.91
4403 · Guest Fees	80.00
4404 · Drouin Computer Time	239.00
4405 · Beverages	25.00
4407 · Logo Mdse (resale items)	23.00
4410 · Drouin Copies & CDs	33.25
Total 4400 · LIBRARY	<u>625.81</u>
4500 · RESEARCH	
4501 · Reasearch Income	505.00
4502 · Drouin Research Income	294.15
Total 4500 · RESEARCH	<u>799.15</u>
4700 · SOCIETY	
4701 · Drouin Fund Donations	790.00
4702 · Bldg Fund	138.00
4703 · Book Fund (Border crossings)	20.00
4705 · Cash Over & Short	-8.50
4706 · Ckg Act Int	1.12
4707 · Bld Fnd Int	0.39
4708 · Sav Act Int	5.97
Total 4700 · SOCIETY	<u>946.98</u>
4800 · BUILDING	
4801 · Rent	875.00
Total 4800 · BUILDING	<u>875.00</u>
Total Income	<u>8,448.57</u>
Gross Profit	8,448.57

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Accrual Basis

American-Canadian Genealogical Society
Income/Expense
January 2007

	<u>Jan 07</u>
Expense	
6700 · SOCIETY EXP	
6701 · Postage	11.60
6703 · Telephone	120.80
6704 · Insurance Content/Bond	100.00
6707 · Bank Charges	2.61
6710 · Credit Card Charges	84.67
6712 · Internet Services	49.90
6714 · Drouin-Interest Exp.	107.39
Total 6700 · SOCIETY EXP	<u>476.97</u>
6800 · BUILDING EXP	
6801 · Heat	2,051.86
6802 · Electricity	302.76
6805 · Building Maint.	351.48
6806 · Grounds Maint.	810.00
6807 · Fire Alarm Fee	480.00
Total 6800 · BUILDING EXP	<u>3,996.10</u>
Total Expense	<u>4,473.07</u>
Net Income	<u><u>3,975.50</u></u>

DESCRIPTION	KEY	ACCOUNT	DATE 1/6/07		DATE 1/13/07		DATE 1/21/07		DATE 1/28/07		DATE		TOTALS
			REGISTER	CC	REGISTER	CC	REGISTER	CC	REGISTER	CC	REGISTER	CC	
MEMBERSHIP DUES	30	4101	\$1,013.00	\$60.00	\$360.00	\$60.00	\$1,268.00	\$135.00	\$908.00	\$150.00			\$3,954.00
LIFE DUES	19	4102											\$0.00
USED BOOKS	16	4201											\$0.00
AFGS INCOME		4202											\$0.00
REPERTOIRES	6	4203		\$221.50	\$175.00								\$396.50
INDEX & HOLDINGS	7	4204						\$42.00					\$42.00
JETTE & WHITE	4	4205											\$0.00
CD ROM'S	17	4206	\$32.50			\$115.00							\$147.50
CROTEAU	14	4207						\$13.00					\$13.00
NEW BOOKS	15	4208					\$25.00	\$101.90					\$126.90
GENEALOGIST BACK	5	4301											\$0.00
ADS		4302											\$0.00
ALL COPIES NOT DROUIN	1	4401	\$15.30		\$33.35		\$7.55	\$5.45					\$61.65
MAPS CHARTS	2	4402	\$51.50		\$10.60		\$88.66	\$13.75					\$164.51
GUEST FEES	3	4403	\$25.00		\$10.00		\$25.00	\$20.00					\$80.00
DROUIN TIME	22	4404	\$109.00	\$45.00	\$30.00		\$20.00	\$35.00					\$239.00
BEVERAGES	24	4405	\$25.00										\$25.00
MERCHANDISE PINS	20	4407					\$20.00	\$3.00					\$23.00
GIFT CERTIFICATE	21	4408											\$0.00
DROUIN COPY	18	4410	\$4.35	\$5.00			\$14.05	\$9.85					\$33.25
RESEARCH	8	4501	\$45.00		\$50.00	\$10.00	\$100.00	\$300.00					\$505.00
DROUIN RESEARCH	23	4502	\$35.70	\$95.00			\$158.45	\$5.00					\$294.15
CONFERENCE	9	4601											\$0.00
RAFFLE	10	4602											\$0.00
CONFERENCE ADS		4603											\$0.00
CONFERENCE BOOTH		4604											\$0.00
CONFERENCE BEVER		4605											\$0.00
DROUIN DONATION	11	4701	\$100.00		\$35.00		\$155.00	\$500.00					\$790.00
BUILDING FUND	12	4702			\$18.00			\$70.00	\$50.00				\$138.00
BOOK FUND	13	4703						\$20.00					\$20.00
SHORT-OVER		4705	-\$9.35		-\$3.21 *		\$3.29	-\$5.05					-\$14.32
RENT	25	4801	\$875.00										\$875.00
NE REG CONF													\$0.00
TOTALS			\$2,322.00	\$426.50	\$718.74	\$185.00	\$1,885.00	\$208.00	\$2,018.90	\$150.00	0.00	0.00	\$7,914.14
Acc Rec/Misc. Inc.			\$775.23		\$332.95								\$1,108.18
DEPOSITED			\$3,097.23	\$426.50	\$1,051.69	\$185.00	\$1,885.00	\$208.00	\$2,018.90	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,022.32

* Canadian ck incl. Deposit of 1/16/07. Debit for exchange rate

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American-Canadian Genealogical Society
Income/Expense Year-to-Date Comparison
 January 2007

	Jan 07	Jan 06	\$ Change
Income			
4100 · MEMBERSHIP			
4101 · Dues	3,954.00	4,622.00	-668.00
Total 4100 · MEMBERSHIP	3,954.00	4,622.00	-668.00
4200 · PUBLICATIONS			
4201 · Used Book Sales	0.00	1.35	-1.35
4203 · Repertoires	1,028.23	986.00	42.23
4204 · Index & Holdings	42.00	0.25	41.75
4205 · Jette & White	0.00	437.50	-437.50
4206 · CD Roms	147.50	0.00	147.50
4207 · Fr, Croteau Publications	13.00	0.00	13.00
4208 · Orphan Pub. & Index	126.90	30.00	96.90
4209 · Other	-110.00	0.00	-110.00
Total 4200 · PUBLICATIONS	1,247.63	1,455.10	-207.47
4300 · GENEALOGIST			
4301 · Back Issues	0.00	49.20	-49.20
Total 4300 · GENEALOGIST	0.00	49.20	-49.20
4400 · LIBRARY			
4401 · All Copies except Drouin copies	61.65	628.30	-566.65
4402 · Maps-Charts-Beginners' Course	163.91	89.20	74.71
4403 · Guest Fees	80.00	80.00	0.00
4404 · Drouin Computer Time	239.00	125.00	114.00
4405 · Beverages	25.00	83.92	-58.92
4407 · Logo Mdse (resale items)	23.00	11.00	12.00
4410 · Drouin Copies & CDs	33.25	130.80	-97.55
Total 4400 · LIBRARY	625.81	1,148.22	-522.41
4500 · RESEARCH			
4501 · Reasearch Income	505.00	222.50	282.50
4502 · Drouin Research Income	294.15	133.35	160.80
Total 4500 · RESEARCH	799.15	355.85	443.30
4700 · SOCIETY			
4701 · Drouin Fund Donations	790.00	1,906.50	-1,116.50
4702 · Bldg Fund	138.00	0.00	138.00
4703 · Book Fund (Border crossings)	20.00	0.00	20.00
4704 · Currency Exchange	0.00	-24.64	24.64
4705 · Cash Over & Short	-8.50	11.80	-20.30
4706 · Ckg Act Int	1.12	1.64	-0.52
4707 · Bld Fnd Int	0.39	0.69	-0.30
4708 · Sav Act Int	5.97	6.22	-0.25
Total 4700 · SOCIETY	946.98	1,902.21	-955.23

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American-Canadian Genealogical Society
Income/Expense Year-to-Date Comparison
 January 2007

	Jan 07	Jan 06	\$ Change
4800 · BUILDING			
4801 · Rent	875.00	1,750.00	-875.00
Total 4800 · BUILDING	875.00	1,750.00	-875.00
Total Income	8,448.57	11,282.58	-2,834.01
Gross Profit	8,448.57	11,282.58	-2,834.01
Expense			
6200 · PUBLICATIONS EXP			
6203 · Print Reps	0.00	239.10	-239.10
6206 · CD Roms	0.00	499.88	-499.88
6208 · Orphan Publications	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 6200 · PUBLICATIONS EXP	0.00	1,038.98	-1,038.98
6400 · LIBRARY EXP			
6404 · Equip. Maint	0.00	247.60	-247.60
Total 6400 · LIBRARY EXP	0.00	247.60	-247.60
6700 · SOCIETY EXP			
6701 · Postage	11.60	199.00	-187.40
6703 · Telephone	120.80	121.88	-1.08
6704 · Insurance Content/Bond	100.00	100.00	0.00
6707 · Bank Charges	2.61	6.00	-3.39
6709 · Computer Expenses	0.00	133.73	-133.73
6710 · Credit Card Charges	84.67	72.85	11.82
6712 · Internet Services	49.90	32.95	16.95
6714 · Drouin-Interest Exp.	107.39	207.02	-99.63
Total 6700 · SOCIETY EXP	476.97	873.43	-396.46
6800 · BUILDING EXP			
6801 · Heat	2,051.86	2,927.02	-875.16
6802 · Electricity	302.76	246.36	56.40
6805 · Building Maint.	351.48	701.00	-349.52
6806 · Grounds Maint.	810.00	1,575.00	-765.00
6807 · Fire Alarm Fee	480.00	480.00	0.00
Total 6800 · BUILDING EXP	3,996.10	5,929.38	-1,933.28
Total Expense	4,473.07	8,089.39	-3,616.32
Net Income	<u>3,975.50</u>	<u>3,193.19</u>	<u>782.31</u>

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American-Canadian Genealogical Society
A/R Aging Summary
 As of January 31, 2007

	<u>Current</u>	<u>1 - 30</u>	<u>31 - 60</u>	<u>61 - 90</u>	<u>> 90</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
BIBLIOTHÉQUE DE MONTRÉAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CALCASIEU PARISH PUBLIC LIBRARY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CONNECTICUT STATE LIBRARY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-136.50	-136.50
DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DAR Library	0.00	0.00	48.00	0.00	0.00	48.00
David Bonitatibus 1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DONNA ERICKSON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Franco-American Genealogical Society, The	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Genealogical Society of Utah	0.00	-25.00	25.00	0.00	25.00	25.00
MANCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY	0.00	0.00	240.00	0.00	0.00	240.00
Saugus Public Library	0.00	-307.95	0.00	307.95	0.00	0.00
Soc Histoire & Geneal de la matapedia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-76.14	-76.14
SOC. FRANC-ONT. d'HIST et GEN.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Soc. Genealogie et d'Archive de Rimouski	0.00	-143.50	0.00	0.00	143.50	0.00
Societe de genealogie de l'Outaouais	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
The Gen. Soc. of Utah	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TORONTO PUBLIC LIBRARY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	64.95	64.95
WISCONSIN HISTORICAL SOC. LIB.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	-476.45	313.00	307.95	20.81	165.31

Muriel Normand

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Subject: Computer Committee Report Feb07.doc

Computer Committee Report
February 2007

No major events to report for the month of January. Just a few minor tweaks and everything seems to be operating fine.

From last month's report regarding problems with FE5, Gerry Savard located a handy utility which enables FE5 to work seamlessly on XP computers. Looks like we will get some more use out of this old workhorse of a program.

We have installed Antivirus software on most of the computers. This is a freebie from ptools which we can use even in a small business setting. We will be completing that task in the next week.

There is some hardware shuffling that we want to do regarding printers and monitors. This will be done in the weeks to come.

Respectfully submitted:
Bob Paquette, 3262

2/10/2007

To: AGCS Board
From: Gerry Savard
Date: 2/8/07
Subject: Web Site statistics for January, 2007

We're starting the year out very strongly. We had 7,379 visitors to our site. That's 228 visits per day. See graphs and data on next page.

The web site What's New and conference pages were updated by Nicole. The Hartford conference and the FOREST reunion were added, as well as our spring workshops. All of the email addresses were changed to graphics to cut down on the spam that everyone gets.

For January, our holding lists were viewed 4935 times.
Our catalogs were accessed 418 times.
Our membership page had 340 hits with the application page getting 119 hits.
The Drouin pages were accessed 656 times.
The What's New page was accessed 603 times.
The 'Tree of Life' page got 187 hits.

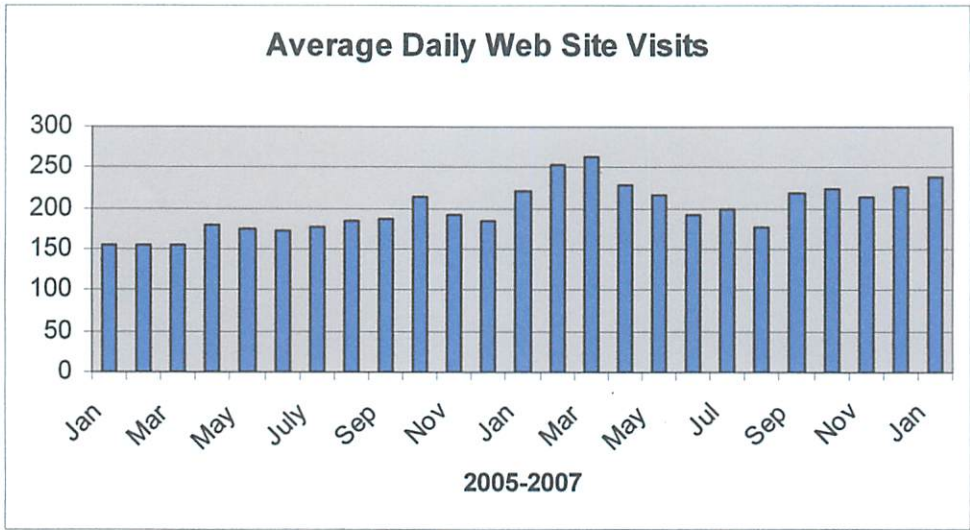
Some of the top referrers to our site: (These are sites that have links to ours)
AFGS – 78
North American Genealogy Resources 58
Le Centre de Généalogie Francophone d'Amérique 60
Lucie's site 26
PRDH 28

The message board: We have 679 messages and 352 registered users. The message board continues to draw many visitors to our web site. Thanks to all who contribute.

We need to fill in some of the spring workshop details, even if tentative.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gerry Savard
Web Site Liaison



Year	Month	Visitor Total	Visitors/Day
2006	Jan	6,858	221
	Feb	7,115	254
	Mar	8,151	263
	Apr	6,849	228
	May	6,719	217
	Jun	5,776	193
	Jul	6,205	200
	Aug	5,523	178
	Sep	6,588	220
	Oct	6,967	225
	Nov	6,440	215
	Dec	7,010	226
2007	Jan	7,379	238

Muriel Normand

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Subject: Board meeting 11 Feb 2005

To the Officers, Directors, Chairpersons & Committee

On the MA front:

I kid you not but we are almost done the marriages of St Joseph Springfield

HOWEVER, delay may occur since Pauline Cusson who has nothing better to do (ouch) is looking up in the MA civil records to add parents when the church records had none. When this is done it is so declared in the record where the information came from.

No one dare say that we at ACGS do not put our best foot forward in attempting to help those that use our repertoires!

Baptisms of the same is also currently being proof read

On the NY front:

I have done some 80+ files of corrections! of baptisms St Mary, Troy & I have remaining 2 more files along with file 99 that is an update since the registers were copied. This last file is somewhere in the mail from NY that I have not opened since Sept (Shame on me). This last Wednesday I opened some of the envelopes but ran out of steam before I could find what I was looking for. Maybe next week I will have better luck

When completed I will NOT have Roger order from Kinko till I hear from this Board on our status in NY, hopefully in a strong positive go ahead permission

Pauline Cusson who has so much time (ouch again) continues to do corrections of the Baptisms of St Anthony Schenectady being very diligent that nothing in there is included that should not be!

Lorrette Leaf has had her beginner course in breaking up registers. After completing small NH stuff, she was given the chore of doing, don't hold me to this because senility comes into play here, Sacred Heart Albany??

When she comes back from her week end holiday, next week I will give her another BIG one from NY (senility again, can you tell I writ ting this report without notes?) anyway something that been hanging around for a while

NH front:

4 years ago Kathie Pasko gave a big push in copying registers of some 5 churches in Nashua.

Newcastle

Results per page 20

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First Name thomas	Last Name sullivan	
Residence		
Province All	District	Sub District
Personal		
Birthplace ireland	Estimated Birth Year 1825 +/- 5	
Relation to Head-of-house	Born of Canadian Parents All	
Race	Gender Male	
Other		
Keyword(s)		

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Source Information:

Ancestry.com. 1851 Census of Canada East, Canada West, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2006. Original data: Library and Archives Canada. *Census of 1851 (Canada East, Canada West, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia)*. Ottawa, Canada: Library and Archives Canada.

Description:

In 1851 an act was passed that repealed previous census acts and called for a more effectual census taking of the Province of Canada, which was comprised of Canada East and Canada West.

Meanwhile, both New Brunswick and Nova Scotia had... [Learn more...](#)

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Other Resources: www.canadiangenealogy.ca | www.familysearchtips.ca | www.ontario-bmd.ca | www.1911census.ca

We have completed what we have of Church of the Resurrection but are missing a side of page in the marriage sections.

Kathie has said she will attempt to get to NH from PA (Feb or Mar) to pick up that page along with attempting to cajole Rev (who ever is there now) to bring the records up to date. Consequently, I have decided to hold to see what FAITH will bring us

Data entry & proof reading is being done on St Therese, Manchester & up dating the records of Blessed Sacrament next door.

Not a big deal & should be done in record time

Unless something more exiting comes from the area, we will perhaps attack the proofing of St John Evangelist, Concord. That a big deal & should keep us busy for some time

Bob Paquette has done some work of the Phaneuf Funeral Home in Nashua. Hope Pauline Cusson presents it and have the Board decide what is best to do with that material. What is it they say "Every little bit of information may help someone."

Think I have shot my load for the month & darn it the next month is a short month

Never any rest for the aging volunteers

Also my apologies to Herb & Norma whose address that I have know is incorrect & meant to correct all month but never quite got around to it

Respectfully submitted

Pauline Genest Cote

Publication Coordinator

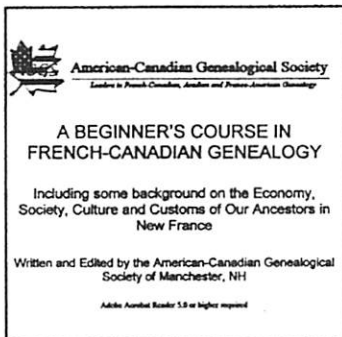
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I think it is time we seriously think about finding another bindery. I know we have used Atlantic for a long time, and they do a good job, but since they have moved they are much slower than they used to be. Dave told me when I took over the task of sending books out that it would take 4 to 6 weeks.

This last batch of books Atlantic picked up was on December 6th, they are still not back yet. They used to at least answer the phone, and/or return my messages. I have called 3 times in the past month, and e-mailed him last week. He told me when I called to have the books picked up that he no longer has anyone to answer the phone and all you get is voice mail - which doesn't get returned.

I have checked and found 3 binderies in our area which might be suitable:

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I know we used the one in Concord, NH some time back. They were easy to get to. But we found that the quality was not as good and the books were coming apart. We went back to Atlantic.

The Bridgeport Bindery has some pricing info on their website. Acme Binding sent me a price list, attached.

If one of those is the same bindery that will print and bind our publications, all the better. I would appreciate if the Board would make a decision on this and get back to me.

Mary Anna Paquette



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February 1, 2007

Elizabeth A. Simcoe
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Dear Ms. Simcoe,

It was with a sense of disappointment that we read your letter addressed to Mr. Bonitatibus, dated 12/29/06. In no way has this society or its representatives ever been less than forthright in its mission to copy, preserve and make available to those seeking to connect to their ancestors the transcriptions of baptisms, marriages and burials that occurred in the church.

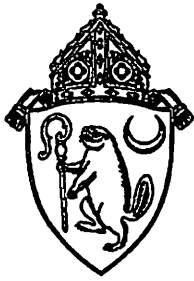
Attached please find a rather complete timeline as to how our society, through David's efforts, arranged to copy the various records. We feel that it clearly shows that the copying of records proceeded only after consultation with the diocesan office and with the consent and at times at the request of the pastor of the parish. David's letter has been reviewed by Pauline Cusson and Pauline Cote, members of long standing in our society, who have been instrumental in the indexing of church records in various Northeast parishes. To the best of their recollections, David's letter correctly documents the events that occurred with regards to the Albany Diocese.

After reading Mr. Bonitatibus' letter, it is our sincerest desire that you will reconsider letting us continue what we feel is a service to the diocese in helping preserve information that is so precious to someone wanting to learn more about their ancestors and in providing an index to the parish records that reduces the amount of handling that a fragile parish register is exposed to.

We appreciate your careful consideration in this matter and await your decision.

Sincerely,

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December 29, 2006

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Dear Mr. Bonitatibus,

Since early November I have been anticipating a response from you providing me with the written permission you claim to have received allowing you to photo copy parish sacramental records. On December 14, 2006 you left a message on my voice mail indicating that despite a serious injury which preceded my original request and limited your movements in the interim you would be assisted by a nephew in finding and providing me with the letter in question.

Having heard nothing further from you on this matter I must conclude that you have no proof that permission was ever granted, I insist you cease copying parish records and that the information that has already been copied be removed immediately from among the offerings on the American Canadian Genealogical Society Website. Additionally I will notify our parish leaders of your activities and remind them that no one is to be given free access to parish sacramental records.

I am sorry for the disability you are experiencing as a result of your injury and hope that your healing may be complete

With kind regards,

Elizabeth A. Simcoe
Chancellor for Pastoral Services

CC: Michael Costello, Esq.
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Very Rev. Michael Farano, Vicar General and
Moderator of the Curia
✓ Mr. Gerard Savard, President, American-Canadian Genealogical Society

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and to bring Christ's healing presence to our world.*

January 27, 2007

Dear Ms. A. Simcoe:

Thank you for your patience with my tardiness in responding to your Nov 2006 letter. Due to an unfortunate accident I had around Labor Day, I was disabled for almost four months. I was not able to find the information you requested as it was in my attic among some 100 boxes or so. I've moved 3 times since 1995 when my 1st request to the Diocese was initiated. My information is based on notes that I kept and in all cases I don't have an exact date or time, so I will go with the best of my knowledge.

What I'm writing below is lengthy but it is a step-by-step process of what happened from the first contact on this project.

In October 1995 while attending my aunt's funeral, I ran into an old family friend, Father George Gagnon, who was at my family parish from the 1960s to about the 1990s. Father Gagnon had dinner with my brother and his wife and asked me what I was up to. I told him I was a member of a Franco-American group that did good work preserving old church books. Fr. George had heard about the work through his friend (I believe a classmate) from a French church in Worcester, MA, we had copied a few years before.

He asked if we had ever completed any parishes in the Albany area. Being a member of the group for only a few years, I told him I didn't think so but that I would ask on my next visit. After talking with the then President, Pauline Cusson, and the Publication Director, Pauline Cote, they informed me that no work had been done in the Albany area to date. I was advised that they generally received permission in writing to do any work in any Diocese before commencing. In their experience, some Bishops felt it was up to the individual pastors whether or not to have their records copied and alphabetized.

Upon my return to Schenectady, I called Father George at ND Des Victoires in Whitehall and told him what I found out. Father George referred me to Chancellor, Father Paterson. He said I needed to speak with Fr. Paterson about getting a meeting with the Bishop. On that same day, I called the Chancery and spoke to the secretary who in turn transferred me to a nun, Sister Mary Berchmans. She was confused as to why I would be calling her as she was an Archivist and could not give me permission to do any work, though she thought it was a wonderful idea. I was transferred back to Father Paterson's office and was told I would get a phone call sometime soon.

A few weeks later, I received a call from Sister Mary Berchmans. She was told to call me to ask about the work we did. I explained the process to her again. She

said she would tell the Chancellor's office that she thought the project was worth looking into and would have the Chancellor call me soon.

It wasn't until I saw George at my brother's house a few months later that he asked how I made out with the project. I explained my frustration at being transferred so many times and not receiving any calls to date. Fr. George said he would make some calls for me as he really wanted his parish to be completed. His books were going to cost over \$8,000 to have repaired and rewritten in some cases.

In the beginning of January 1996, Father George had me talk to Sister Kathleen (my notes say she was in the pastoral planning office). After explaining the project to her and stating that I needed to meet with Bishop Hubbard to obtain permission for this project, she said she would talk to him and get back to me soon. At the end of the month, I called back and spoke with Sister Kathleen. She referred me to Father Diacetis. She explained to me that he was part of the Vicar board (I'm not sure what this board does) and he would meet with me so I could explain our work and he would review what I had. (My notes say he is a canon lawyer of some type but it has been 12 years and think he told me this but I'm not sure as I was confused as to why I was being sent to Our Lady of Grace in Ballston Lake.)

Father was very kind and was eager to meet with me. The first meeting was scheduled for February 11, 1996 but was canceled as he had a funeral to do. The 2nd date March 5th was canceled as Father had something come up that he needed to attend to. Finally, on March 25th I was able to meet with Father and give him copies of a few of our books. He said he was going to make sure that under Canon law, we were able to copy the records. I had informed him it was our strict policy that we do not put in the illegitimates, adoptions, or annulments. He said he would soon get back to me and took the books to go over them.

In May of 1996 I hadn't heard from Father Tony so I called him so see if we had an OK to go ahead with the project. He said that the information was not civil records and as long as we proceeded under the strict rule of not including illegitimates, annulments, and adoptions we could go on with the project at ND des Victoires. Father thought it was a great idea and was not only going to recommend it to his fellow priests, but asked me if I would copy his parish as well. (Our Lady of Grace was one of our 1st parishes to be copied and the second one we published.) Father advised me that he would talk to Sister Kathleen and give his recommendation to her as well as to the Bishop.

I called the Chancery and left a message for Sister Kathleen (my notes state this date was Friday, May 3rd). Not hearing back from Sister, I called Fr. George in Whitehall and repeated to him what Father Tony had said to me a few days before. Father George called Fr. Tony who explained to him what he had told me. Father George gave me the go ahead to do the project and wanted me to

start ASAP! I called Pauline Cusson in NH and she said they were uncomfortable not having permission from the Diocese but that if it was left up to the individual priests to decide, they would need at least that much in writing. I explained to Father George why they were hesitating to start the project. After all this time, I realized I was never going to meet with the Bishop but at least I should get a letter from the office.

It was almost four months later in September of 1996 that I was able to get some type of committed permission to go ahead with the project. (My notes say that Sister was now the Co-Chancellor and there was a Father Burke working as Chancellor. I never spoke with Fr. Burke only with Sister Kathleen Turley)

Sister Kathleen stated to me on the phone that the Bishop would not give a written letter to the Albany Diocese priest recommending they do this project but stated that if the pastors in individual parishes wanted to go ahead with the project then they may do so. If they wanted to call the office to make sure it was permissible to proceed, that would be fine. I called Pauline Cusson to inform her of the good news, but she was still a little uncomfortable that no letter was issued to us. (I never asked for a letter to be sent demanding that the pastors do our project. I only suggested a letter for us to bring to the parishes showing it was o.k. to allow this project to proceed. I have no idea how it got turned into a demand from the Bishop to his pastors. In retrospect, it's no wonder my calls were never returned).

On September 30th I went to Notre Dame to see how much paper was going to be needed. At that time I had Father Gagnon call Sister Kathleen to make sure it was o.k. to go forward with the project. He spoke to her while I was in his office and he told me it was OK! In October 1996, the both Pauline's came to Whitehall to explain how and what we would be doing with his records. Father again told us he saw the books several years earlier in Worcester, MA, really thought we did a great job and that his friend loved them and used them all the time. A letter stating our intent and the due diligence we take in assuring certain records are not included in our work, signed by President Pauline Cusson was presented to Fr. Gagnon for his files.

On October 11th I went to OL Grace and copied that small parish in about 6 hours time. On Nov 8th my mother, Sioban Dussault Bonitatibus and my friend Patti Draiss and I went to Whitehall. With the help of Father's longtime volunteer parishioner, Catherine Lebiere and him, we all copied those old and fragile records dating from 1839 to date – a very precise and tedious but crucial part of the work we do. We completed this phase in about 5 visits. The finished book took almost 1-1/2 years to complete the process of translating the French to English and even Latin to English, data entering thousands of records, printing, proofing, correcting, proofing again and doing the final printing before publishing.

Father Gagnon played a huge role in the success of this project and several others especially since I would have never gotten permission and/or been invited into other parishes if it were not for him! While we were copying ND, Father George told us that Father Joseph Robitaille of St. Joseph in Cohoes, NY wanted to speak to me about doing this work on his old and very tired books as well. I met with him soon after and started his parish on Saturday Nov 30th 1996. Also, Father George had recommended me/us to Father Hogan in Schenectady where Farther George had served several years before. He thought those records needed to be done as well. So St. Columba and Sacred Heart were both copied in two days in Dec of 1996.

I could go on and on about how I got into each of about 30 parishes, but rest assured, it was always by invitation and I always suggested to the Pastors or administrators that they please call the Chancery to be assured that it was permissible to allow us to do this work. Whether or not this step was taken, I have no idea. But I do know that Chuck from St. Joseph in Troy did call to verify what I was telling him. He had me speak to Sister Nola Brunner (Archivist). Again I explained our work to her and again I showed her the finished product, a sample of our books. She granted me permission and also called Chuck at St. Joseph's and gave him the go ahead. When I spoke to her for the 1st time in the spring of 2004, I again asked to have a meeting with the Bishop. She said she would see what she could do. I never heard back on that from her and again last year I asked her for a meeting with him and she never got back to me on that.

I think the bottom line is that for the last 11 years of copying these old books, I've seen much abuse to the unwanted, and in many cases, unused books. Many of the unknowing secretaries tell people they can't even have the basic information from the 1800s or even the early 1900s because in most cases they can't read the Latin, German, Polish, Italian, French, or Lithuanian records. And sometimes just horrible writing from even as late as the recent years precludes the secretaries from being able to read the records, let alone give out any of the information. Some of these precious books are kept in cold wet basements, or very hot rectories where the books are just falling apart at such a rapid rate. Just in the last 10 years where I've had to return to a parish for some incidental copies of records we might have missed in the early sessions, I can no longer see the writing in the records that I once copied. In one case of a recent closed parish, they lost all the registers because a pastor may have thrown them away. (Thank God you do have our work for those records). In a few other incidents, books have been lost [or misplaced]. One pastor who went to a nursing home brought some of his books with him to complete the records. As far as I know, they were never returned to that church (last ten years of records). These stories go on and on like the Titanic song, as the number of pastors watching over the books is declining, so are the books that survive also declining. The new people don't know how or what to do with these books. In many cases now in this Diocese, it is left up to the secretary who never had to deal with the books in the past. The question today now is "OK what do I do with these old records?"

But our interest, and mine, has always been for the good of the church and its people - not to hurt anyone for sure. I've been a practicing Catholic since birth and am a member of St. Anthony Church in Schenectady. My good reputation is known by many pastors - Father Midwig, Father Leo Market, Father Brucker and Father Leo O'Brien as these were my pastors over the years. I'm sure if you contact Father Tony Diacetis he will speak on my behalf. I've not spoken to him in a while but I'm sure he would remember this subject.

Sister had said a complaint came in about an illegitimate that we put in our records. I asked her for the name so we could correct the error as it is the first time such a claim has been made in over ten years of producing these alphabetical indexes. We are so careful in our work - we proofread 3 to 4 times. Our rule is so simple, "if no father is recorded, don't put in." "If the father's last name is not the same as the baby's name don't put it in." No mention of any adoptions in any way, shape or form is allowed to be put in.

Sister Nola has not shown us the name or the erroneous record so we have no way of knowing if it is truly a breach of our policy. We would be devastated if such an error did occur but are most willing to delete it from our files to prevent any re-occurrence of this error in the future. It also puts us back on alert to be more diligent as we proceed in various other Dioceses in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

With thousands of records copied and only one complaint to your office, I think that is a very good testimonial to our reputation for sure. With our group copying church records for 15 years, we never had a problem. We would like to resolve this problem and to continue our good work.

Thank you for taking the time to try to understand our work. The many thousands of hours that have gone into these projects are 100% volunteer hours. People who care what happens to their family records; volunteers who care about who their ancestors are; volunteers who believe in the preservation of 100 or 150 year old records that are linking them to their heritage of faith, hard work, love of life and Church.

If it is your mandate to stop us from doing this kind of work in your Diocese, so be it. We just find it very confusing when two or three Dioceses of the Catholic Church in our area and all the Dioceses of the Province of Quebec allow this kind of work to proceed up to this day, and then, for no concrete reason, the Diocese of Albany reverses a policy that has been successful for as long as 10 years. With or without a written permission from the Chancery, it should be obvious that we WERE given permission by the individual priests to copy their records in order to produce an alphabetical index to hundreds of years of records, at virtually no cost to the parish; and then to have this alphabetical index at their

fingertips and not have to revert back to and handle 100 year old records, seems to us to warrant further consideration by your office. It was always understood and pointed out at the beginning of each project that these alphabetical indexes would be sold to other genealogical societies in order to recover our costs and make a nominal profit in order to go on to the next church and the next church and the next. Our society is supported primarily by dues income which supports our physical plant in Manchester and sustains our mission to disseminate genealogical information and provide a place for people to do family history. Producing repertoires wherever and whenever we are invited into a parish is also part of our mission to disseminate genealogical information. If we could not sell these indexes to the genealogy community, our expenses would soon overrun our income and we would be forced to halt these worthwhile projects. All proceeds from these repertoires are rolled into the production of more repertoires. We await your response and follow up on the above.

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