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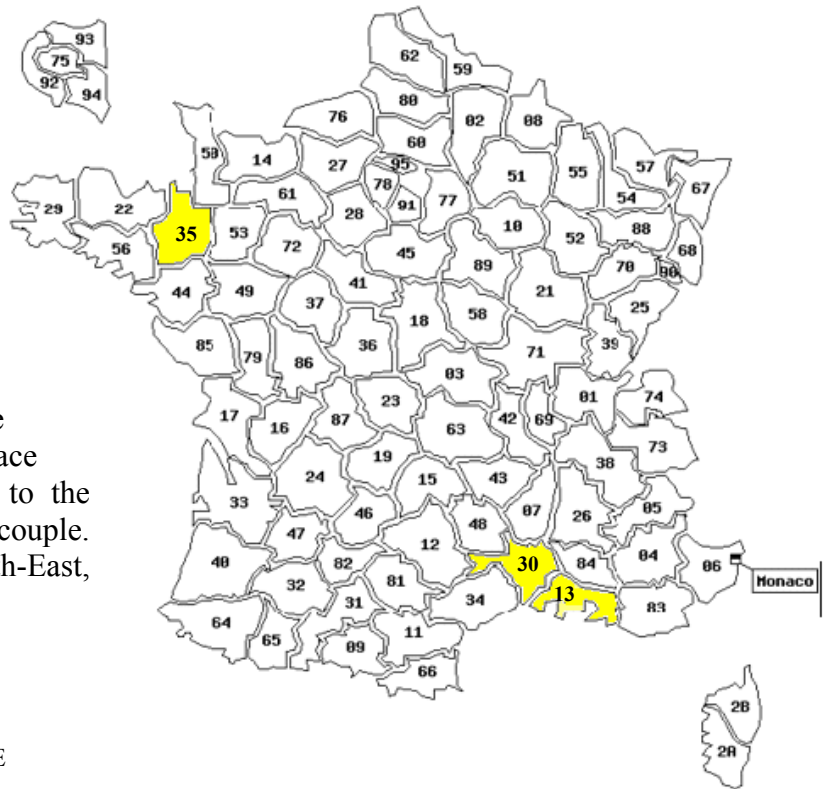
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FRIGONS IN FRANCE

Lucie Frigon Caron (#56)

The birthplace of our ancestor still remains to be found but we now have proof of the existence of the patronymic FRIGON in France, during different periods, in different departments.

In fact, I recently received, directly from France, photocopies of marriage certificates on which we can read very clearly "frigon" as the name of one of the spouses. To localize on the map the place where these marriages took place, refer to the department number indicated for each couple. Numbers 13 and 30 are in the South-East, number 35 is in the North-West.



Number 30 - Gard

Marriage of FRIGON Elisabeth to PROUVÈZE Etienne, Nîmes, April 28, 1807

Number 13 - Bouches-du-Rhône

Marriage of FRIGON(NE) Jeanne-Rose to FOURNIER Charles, Marseille, October 19, 1710

Number 35 – Ille-et-Vilaine

Marriage of FRIGON Julien to HUET Jacqueline, July 24, 1696

In a subsequent newsletter, you will find transcriptions and extracts of the marriage certificates.

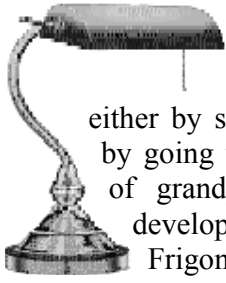
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Gérald Frigon (116)

We had a very nice reunion on Saturday August 21, 2004. The sky and the faces were radiant, both from the pleasure of seeing one another again and from having the founders of our association with us. The photo accompanying the report of the meeting is proof of this. Once again we were able to show the dynamism of our Association and the work of its members.

Congratulations to the organizers.



In this newsletter, Lucie and François make history come to life, either by scrutinizing the archives of France, or by going through old photos and the memories of grandparents. As genealogical societies develop in France, we find more and more Frigons in their 18th and 19th century

databases: in addition to the three names that Lucie discovered, there are three others to be confirmed. Most of them lived in the south of France, Bouches-du-Rhône, Hérault...there is hope...

It is always pleasant to link ourselves to the past, to our roots or to those who came before us. There remains much to be said or discovered about our ancestors: where and how they lived, etc. Most of you have computers and access to the Internet that you can put to good use for the benefit of our readers. If you find something interesting, inform one of the members of the Board of Directors about it, stating where you found this information on the Internet so that we can consult these sites and check the information against the documents we have in our archives.

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François Frigon (130)

An event worthy of mention during grandfather Alphée's times was the celebration, in Shawinigan, on July 13, 1922, of his golden wedding anniversary. The festivities,

organized by his children were quite a sensation with his relatives as well as with the civic and religious authorities. A newspaper, "L'Action Catholique de Québec", in its # 4785 edition, dated July 19, 1922,

published on its front page, a large picture of the family along with an article, on page 6 of the same edition, entitled "Fifty years of married life – a great and beautiful family celebration in Shawinigan".

"Shawinigan Falls, 1922" Last Thursday, St-Bernard Parish witnessed a beautiful family celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Alphée Frigon were celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary. From all corners of Canada and the United States, many of their children congregated to offer the jubilees a token of their attachment and affection. The day started at 9.00 a.m. with a high mass at St-Bernard Church. Upon leaving their home to go to church, the gracious elders received tributes from their guests and affectionate kisses from their children and grandchildren. The church was decorated with the most beautiful flowers and, the attendance being so large, it looked like the whole parish was part of the celebration.

Translation: Nicole Frigon



As soon as the elders crossed the threshold of the church, they were greeted by the happy sounds of the orchestra whose strong voice mixed in with the full peal of the bells. In the sanctuary, two beautiful armchairs awaited them. That's where they headed preceded by their

two grandchildren, Marthe Leblanc and Henri Frigon both holding flowers. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Vézina and Mr. and Mrs. William Frigon acting as best men and maids of honor accompanied them.

The pastor Reverend H. Brousseau assisted by the Reverends H. Béland and R. Lafontaine celebrated the mass. The altar boys were P. Leblanc, R. Trudel, H. Trudel, all grandchildren of the jubilarians and A. Cayer. Under the direction of Mr. J. -E. Drolet, the choir interpreted a mass composed by Archambault. The soloists were Dr. Therrien, Mr. H. -A. Beaudet and Mr. L.-A. Leclerc. Mrs. H. Prévost was at the organ. On coming out of the church, the jubilarians received a tribute from the mayor, Dr. Dufresne. Afterwards, the banquet took place at St-Bernard Convent. The Grey Nuns had graciously opened their convent to the Frigon family. Close to one hundred people joined in the festivities during which the school orchestra played lovely music.

YOU COLLECT OLD PHOTOS?

Source : T.V. HEBDO July 31 to August 6, 2004

You love to collect old photos but you have unexpected problems ...

If your photographs stick together, put them in a plastic bag.

Leave the bag open and put it in the refrigerator for a week.

You will then be able to gently separate your photographs.

Leave them at room temperature for several hours to remove all traces of humidity.

Negatives are often neglected.

Nevertheless, should your photos deteriorate, they will perhaps be all that is left of your souvenirs.

Put them into a non-acidic paper envelope, taking care not to touch them directly with your hands.

Store them in a cool, dry place. On the envelope, write the name and date of the event.

These few precautions will keep you from having to rummage through boxes of haphazardly stored negatives.



This tenth annual meeting took place on the shores of the Gatineau River. Forty-six people were present, seventeen of whom stayed for supper.

We had the pleasure of having with us Dale Smith (232) and his wife Carol Messak from New York.

Pleasure, gratitude and interest for historical research characterized this reunion.

The obvious pleasure that people experienced when they met their cousins was remarkable and showed the

dynamism of our association. Raymond (1) was welcomed with emotion; we had not seen him for such a long time. The group picture portrays so well the joy that was felt by all.

The Association expressed its gratitude to several founding members by awarding them commemorative plaques and certificates. The members of the first Board of Executives received commemorative plaques: Raymond (1), first president; Robert (2), first vice-president; Luc (3), first treasurer; Pierre (4), first

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Photo, Jacques Frigon (106)

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| 15- Marie-Jeanne Frigon Ross, Forestville, QC | 30- Françoise Labelle, St-Martyrs-Canadien, QC | |

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secretary. Certificates were presented to Les Arseneau (9) mainly for his research in the United States, and to Jean-René (11) especially for his contribution to the Genealogical Database.

Next year, during the Quinquennial Gathering in Batiscan, Louis-Georges (10) will be honoured for his remarkable contribution to the recruitment of members in the early days of the association and Georges E. (93) for his continuing development of the database and photographic archives for the association over at least eight years.

As usual, an historical theme was dealt with. Robert (2) gave a brilliant presentation on the ancestral land using the map drawn up by Jean-Baptiste Decoüagne in 1709 and a poster that he had prepared for the occasion. He told us about the steps he had taken to locate the ancestral land with certitude and gave information about our ancestor's immediate neighbours.

Lucie Frigon Caron (56) informed us about the three Frigons that she found in France and about whom there is more information on the front page of this newsletter. A well-documented text was given to the members present.

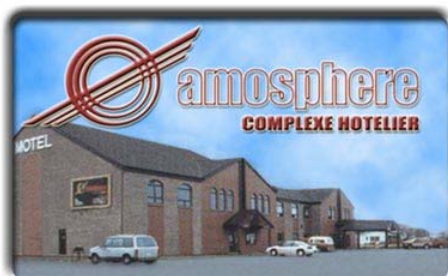
Georges E. (93) projected a slide show of the Frigon families and answered questions about family trees. Pierre (4) had brought with him all the notarized acts he has collected. You could consult the marriage contract of Marie-Claude Chamois and Pierre Forcier signed before the Notary Ameau, on October 16, 1670, as well as the minutes of the court case of Marie-Claude Chamois against Jacqueline Girard.

Jacques (106) photographed the event and we hope he will be available for the gathering in 2005.

This annual reunion was especially friendly and enriching.

The next one will be full of surprises...

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Véronique Frigon at the World Social Forum of Porto Alegre
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Pierre Frigon (4)

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Throughout the Forum, Véronique sent e-mails to her friends and wrote articles for the regional press. She described the pleasure of living such an experience and kept us informed about the activities that took place. In the lines that follow, she shares with us her extraordinary experiences on a daily basis.

January 21

“Greetings to one and all.

On this Tuesday morning, I am writing to you from the Flat Parthenon Manhattan Hotel before going to meet my host family on Felipe Camarã Street, three blocks from here. I finally met Laura last evening. She joined me at the hotel and we had a long chat before going to her house for a visit:

Estanislau the father, Lucia the mother, Bruno, the adolescent brother, and Guilhermi, the little four-year-old who greeted me with a loud “MATUSQUELA” which means...fool! To which I replied “MATUESQUELO yourself, little boy!” He is a little blond boy, mischievous, bursting with the energy of 12, the kind we all love, with the blue eyes of his Polish father, and looking so much like Laura. And there is Bruno, the tall adolescent, who plays Brazilian melodies on the guitar and has the features of his Italian mother. An indefinable mixture of cultures! Add to this the German influence of his paternal grandmother. Again today it is very humid, the temperature is about 30° (Celsius). The papayas and mangos are ripe and delicious. And such a wonderful display of greenery and flowers! I can only smile before so much beauty. I think of you so often. Don't hesitate to write; your letters mean so much to me.”

January 22 :

“ Bom dau! Tudo bem?

I hope that life is good for you despite the intense

cold that you are experiencing at home, and which our Brazilian friends cannot even begin to comprehend... Yesterday afternoon the registration wickets opened and, because of the sluggishness of the system, we waited a long time before receiving our WSF 2003 passports... Tomorrow will be a day of celebration and the opening of the 3rd edition of the World Social Forum. This lady is very excited! Around 2 p.m. there will be an official meeting with



all the delegates, auditors, participants, etc. Each country will be invited to introduce itself... The grand procession will follow. The motto of this year's march: 'A different world is possible... for the Palestinians'. It is the theme of the march. Everyone has been asked to carry a flag manifesting our sympathy for the too numerous victims (of that conflict). I am hoping that it will receive at least a minimum of media coverage... In

any case, I will keep you informed.”

“ Hello, again.

I have just finished an interview with CBJ-Radio Canada and I am not at all satisfied with it in so far as the connection was poor, time was short of course, and there was little time for real content. I had told François that I wanted to discuss the content of the WSF and not its structure. This is what I would have liked to have been able to say to you:

This year there are 5 “poles” where the daily activities take place, with a total capacity of 95,500 places.

***First of all,** there is the Wharf at the Port of Porto Alegre where five topics will be debated:*

1. Democratic and durable development

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Véronique Frigon at the World Social Forum of Porto Alegre
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2. Principles and values, individual rights, diversity and equality
3. Media, culture and counter-hegemony (about which I would have liked to have been able to say more this morning, ...the role of the media in this impenetrable free-trade...)
4. Political power, civil society and democracy
5. World democracy, the struggle against militarization, and peace – a hot topic here in Porto Alegre, especially because of the grand scale mobilisation which is being organised in New York for February; this must be followed closely during the coming weeks...I'm already thinking of going there if the organisation continues as planned.

Secondly, there is the Gigantinho Gymnasium where the debates will be held.

Thirdly, there is the PUCKS, the Catholic University of the Rio Grande Do Sul which can receive more than 60,000 people daily. The major conference, seminars, tributes, testimonies will be held there... The press building is also on campus.

Fourthly, there is what we call the Fifth Hall... an enormous tent that can accommodate 15,000 people...

And last, but not least, the International Youth Camp which this year accommodates more than 30,000 young people hailing from the four corners of the globe. I am happy not to be sleeping there!"

January 25

"Boa tarde!

An easy morning, much fruit, free time and I am preparing the last days of my stay in Brazil. On the 29, 30 and 31st of January, I will head towards Garopaba, then I will return to the magnificent beaches of Rosa and Ferrugem. According to the southern Brazilians, it's the second most beautiful spot on the Atlantic coast of Brazil...and I have no difficulty believing this. For a real visual feast, visit the site <http://www.praia-dorosa-brasil.com.br/>

Everything is going really well. I am happy about the way things are evolving. My (active) participation is increasing and I have been attending really interesting debates and conferences. This afternoon I will participate in the dialogue on "Fundamentalism and intolerance" which concerns the Israeli-Palestinian situation, that of South Africa and northern Africa. This evening, there will be the super conference "Domination by the large enterprises and the economic crisis in the international system" with the Canadian Maude Barlow of the coalition 'Eau Secours' who has just published a book on water called "Or bleu" (Blue Gold), Susan George from France, Osvaldo Martinez from Cuba and Lidy Nacpil from the Philippines. However, I will not be able to attend the reception being given by Minister (Louise) Beaudoin for I prefer to steep myself in the discourses of Barlow and George. But don't worry, Martine, I have met her twice and I will see her tomorrow at the meeting of the 'Controversy and Dialogue' group of which she is a member.

In the next issue, we will find the last and final instalment of this most incisive testimonial.



Véronique Frigon



 Our descendants

Send us the photos of your grandchildren or your children and savour the pleasure of seeing their refreshing little faces in the newsletter!

Allow the members of the Association to share the joys of your expanding family.

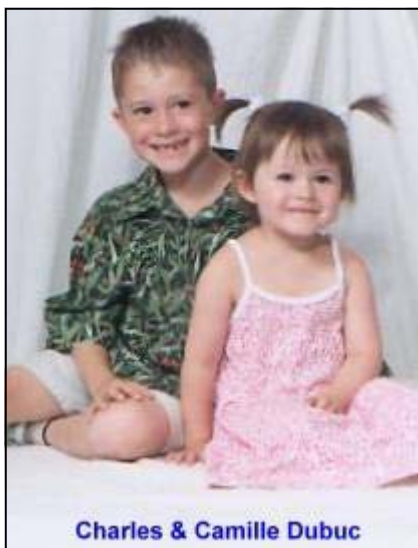
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Cécile Brunelle



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born August 10, 1998
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and Sylvain Dubuc.

They are linked
to the Frigon family
through their
maternal grandmother,
Marie-Jeanne Frigon Ross (49).



Jérémy Riopel,
born August 25, 2001.

Jérémy and Élie,
are the sons
of Mélanie Frigon
and Sébastien Riopel.

They are linked
to the Frigon family
through their maternal grandfather,
Jean-Claude Frigon (64).



Élie Riopel,
born January 18, 2004.



Kelly Marchand,
born December 20, 1994.



Dereck Marchand,
born June 17, 1997.



Jordan Marchand,
born July 24, 2001.

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Dereck,
Jordan,
are the children
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and Dany Marchand.

They are linked
to the Frigon family
through their maternal
grandfather
Jean-Claude Frigon (64).