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## GENERAL MEETING OF AUGUST 18, 2018 « Maison de la Madone », Trois-Rivières Theme « Place of Origin of François Frigon »

Once again, our annual meeting was very pleasant. Not much discussion, but a lot of cordiality. Some regulars did not attend this year; however, more than fifty people were present and three new members joined the group.

Most board members as well as the chair accepted a new term. With regret, Denise Frigon and Jean-René Frigon leave the council; we thank them for their valuable contribution. Two other members joined the board: Odette Frigon of the lineage of Louis-Augustin and Nicole Noël, widow of Aurèle Frigon, also of the lineage of Louis-Augustin. Some research reports and committee reports will be presented elsewhere in this newsletter. You can follow us on the internet at [www.frigon.org](http://www.frigon.org) or on Facebook at « frigon1670 ».



### DOOR PRIZES

Winners, 1st row: Claudette Giesinger-Frigon (aff89), Myriam Frigon, daughter of Martin (aff258), Lise Drolet, and Paul Frigon (aff60).

Donators 2d row:

Lucie Gravel (aff275), 3 sculptures,  
Ursule Couture Frigon (aff111), Japanese embroidery



In the afternoon, an organ concert was presented at the Basilica and was well praised by the members.

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## A WORD FROM PRESIDENT

*Gérald Frigon (aff116)*

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Humans have produced their works; historians bring perspective to those realizations. Their interpretations can diverge even if all apply a rigorous analysis of the facts. In genealogy as in history, we are rigorous. We report what was verified at the source (the original). The genealogist deals with facts. The historian goes further, trying to understand.

base our articles on facts but give them a perspective, a color. This approach is based on research. The art of the good researcher is to choose the right questions. This wisdom comes with maturity, a state that you have all attained. You are all potentially able to write for the newsletter. And our newsletter is the heart of our Association.

For our newsletter, a purely genealogical report would be dull, boring reading. We must therefore

Long live the Association.

### DID YOU KNOW THAT

Our president Gérald Frigon has published on Google Books a book on bridge aimed at competitive players

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by Gérald Frigon (aff116)

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### TRIBUTE TO AURÈLE FRIGON (AFF272)

At home, on Monday, June 18, 2018, passed away at the age of 69, Aurèle Frigon, spouse of Nicole Noël. Predeceased by his first wife Hélène Gravel. He was the son of the late Henri-Paul Frigon and the late Florina Croteau (aff26). He resided in Nicolet.

He is survived by his sister Denise (aff121), and his brothers, Jacques (aff104), Ghislain (aff261), Marcel (aff284), and Normand (aff246), all of which are members of the Association of Frigon Families. He was from the lineage of Louis-Augustin, branch of Elzéar.

Thanks to the great generosity of his wife, Nicole Noël (aff292) and his family, he remained in his residence until his death. Thank you, Aurèle, for your contribution as official organizer of some general meetings of the Association of Frigon Families. May future generations remember your contribution.

A souvenir from our school years at the juniorate of Pointe-du-Lac (May 1967).

<p>AURELE FRIGON SECONDAIRE IV STE-GENEVIEVE DE BATISCAN.</p> <p><i>Aurèle Frigon</i></p>		<p>Moment préféré de la semaine: le samedi après-midi pour écouter la musique reposante.</p> <p>Groupe orchestral choyé: les Sultans.</p> <p>Matières préférées: chimie et G a l i c h e t.</p> <p>Expressions favorites: "c'est tout un cancer" et "on va y coller à pleche"</p> <p>Chanson préférée: Guantanamo.</p> <p>Patois le plus employé: Saint Sapin!</p>
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At this year's Annual General Meeting, a presentation was made to communicate the state of research in France on the place of origin of our ancestor.

At the 2017 Annual General Meeting in Sainte-Geneviève-de-Batiscan, we were told that François Frigon and Marie-Claude Chamois were married in the department of La Manche.

This announcement was made following the receipt of a marriage certificate that Mr. J.P. Macouin sent to the Association in May 2017. This document states that the parents of François Frigon resided in "the parish of Saint-Vandrille from the commune of Francquetot".

With this information in hand, a compilation of municipalities in the department of La Manche was made to target this place more precisely since the municipality of Francquetot no longer exists having been integrated, presumably, in the current town of Cretteville. This compilation made it possible to

establish a list of 39 communes located 20 km or less from Cretteville. A consultation of the digitized departmental archives for the period from 1620 to 1670 has been initiated and is still ongoing.

In addition, another compilation of all occurrences of the surname "Frigon" found to date reveals that the name was listed 35 times in the archives between 1388 and 1890.

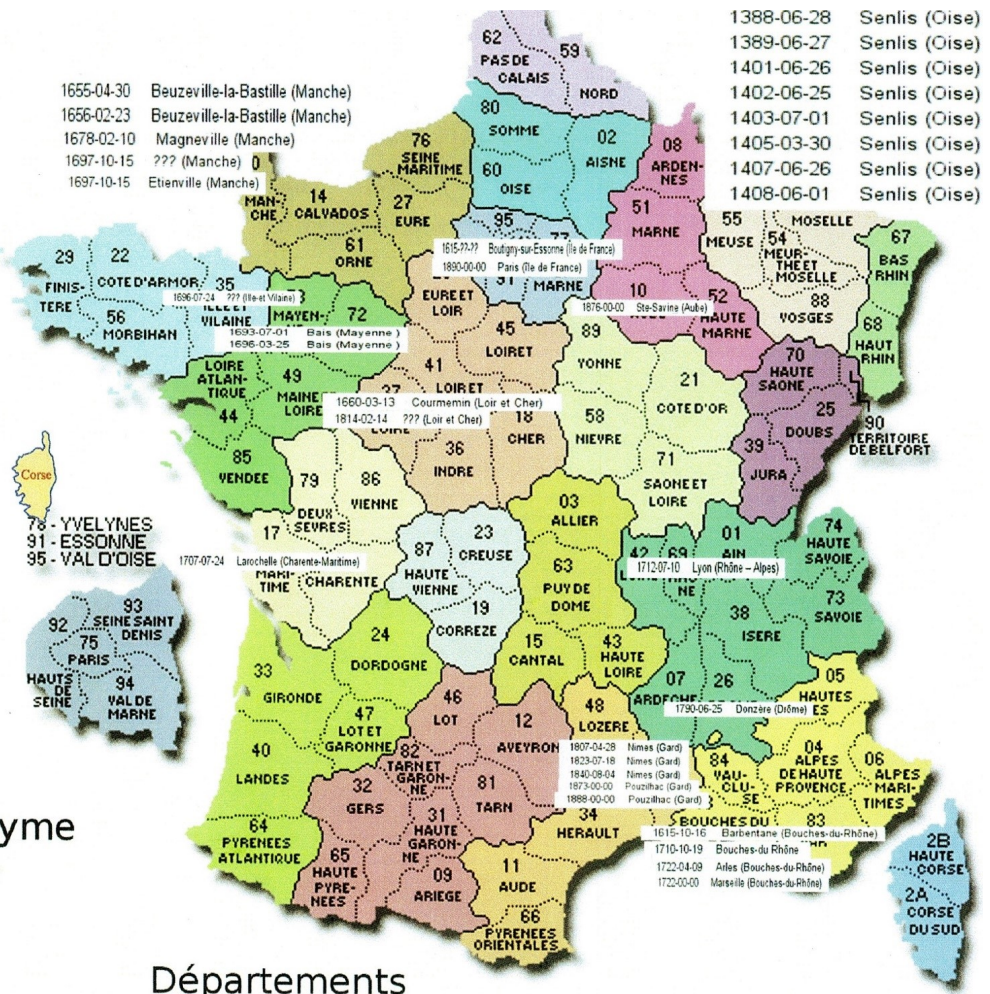
The presentation illustrated the results of this research and identified the most likely area where the marriage of François and Marie-Claude took place. Unfortunately, it has not yet been possible, at the time of the meeting, to identify the birthplace of our ancestor.

The presentation ended with an invitation to all participants to consult our website and join the research team and continue the work.



Régions

- 1655-04-30 Beuzeville-la-Bastille (Manche)
- 1656-02-23 Beuzeville-la-Bastille (Manche)
- 1678-02-10 Magneville (Manche)
- 1697-10-15 ??? (Manche)
- 1697-10-15 Etienville (Manche)



Départements

Occurrences du patronyme «Frigon» en France



It is well known that our colleague Jean-René Frigon (aff11) has been working for more than two years on the complete redesign of the Association's website.

At the 2016 Annual General Meeting in Batiscan, this new site was mentioned but there was no detailed presentation.

This year, the Association wanted to make a formal presentation of the site despite the absence for health reasons of the person responsible for its development.

This new site deserved and deserves even more to be known by all especially because of the large amount of information it contains.

The presentation, on behalf of Jean-René, had the following objectives:

- thank him for the colossal efforts and expertise of his work and
- show how to access the site from a search engine such as Google, for example, and explain the different tabs found on the home page.

Each tab has been opened and commented on and several examples of links have been posted.

Obviously, the high point was the tab and the function "Research" which allows users to find many documents collected and compiled by the Association.

During the presentation, the link between the website and the BK (Brother's Keeper) database was highlighted to indicate that

- every individual included in the Association's database has a 5-character identification number (eg: (00001) for François Frigon, our ancestor)
- and each member of the Association has a membership number (eg Jean-René (aff11)).

Attendees at the meeting showed a lot of interest and asked relevant questions, making the presentation both dynamic and relaxed.

The presentation ended with a tribute to Jean-René (aff11).



Note from the editor: Gérald (aff116) our president (standing in this photo) giving further explanation on some tabs of the website.

Pierre (aff4) and Luc (aff3), two of the founders of our association, were also present at our meeting.

We thank Claude (aff256) for the PowerPoint presentation on the place of origin of François Frigon and especially for the presentation of the structure of the website frigon.org. His presentation was appreciated by all.

Thank you to all participants of the 24th Annual Meeting of our Association.

Marcel's family (aff 254) was well represented. From left to right, his cousin Claude (aff284), Lise Couture, Ursule Couture-Frigon (aff 111) his aunt, Lise Sylvain and Marcel. Marcel's son Martin (aff258) is standing. There were also other guests not listed in the picture.

About thirty participants had dinner at the Pacini restaurant in Trois-Rivières. Thank you to everyone who ensured the smooth running of the day.





Note from the editor: Here is the link for the complete article by Marcel Fournier: <sup>1</sup>[http://frigon.org/uploads/document/v39\\_no3\\_article\\_bk1\\_et\\_2.pdf](http://frigon.org/uploads/document/v39_no3_article_bk1_et_2.pdf)

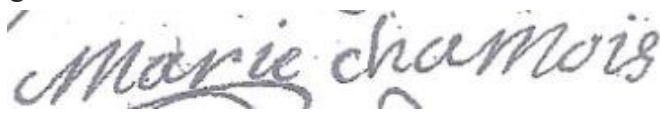
Here is an excerpt from an article by Marcel Fournier concerning the documents sent by Mr. Jean-Paul Macouin in May 2017.

Today has testified the illustrious and reverend Messire François de Laval, the first bishop of Quebec, being present in Paris for the affairs of his church, housed in the seminar of foreign missions on Rue du Bac, who after seeing a certificate signed in Champlain by François Dupré, dated August 25, 1686, relating to the celebration by a priest of the seminary of the said Quebec acting as parish priest in Batiscan on 10.11.1670, of the marriage between François Frigon, son of the deceased Yves, and Marguerite Ferré of the parish of St Vandrille, in the village of Francquetôt, diocese of Coutances in Basse-Normandie, on the one hand and Marie Chamoy, daughter of the late Henri and Jacqueline Girard, of the parish of Saint-Paul de Paris, on the other hand.

A letter coming from the said Quebec dated 02.11.1686, written by De St-Claude, parish priest of the said Batiscan to Mrs. Miromont for her to transfer the letter to Mrs. Frigon in Paris. The said Lord Bishop of Quebec informed all that the said certificates and letters are signed, namely the certificate by the hand of the Sieur François Dupré, parish priest of said Champlain, and the missive by the hand of the said De St-Claude parish priest of the said Batiscan. Because the said lord said he knew the signatures well.

Followed the transmission of the documents addressed to Mrs. Miromont, rue de la Verrerie to Sieur Balard potter, for Mrs. Frigon.

Marie Chamoix signs the documents received. She signs Marie Chamoix.



Analysis of the act from Paris by Marcel Fournier:

This notarial act, dated March 7, 1687, was written at the request of Marie-Claude Chamoix<sup>2</sup> when she was came back to France in the fall of 1685. King's Daughter, baptized on March 30, 1656 in the parish of Saint-Gervais-et-Saint-Prottais from the city of Paris, she was back in France to assert her rights as heiress to her mother who did not want to recognize her as her legitimate daughter. After a long trial, she won but will not return to New France. The document found by Mr. Macouin provides two important pieces of information that remained unknown to this day. That is the place of origin of François Frigon and the date of his marriage to Marie-Claude Chamoix in Batiscan near Trois-Rivières.

A research about the birthplace of François Frigon indicates that the hamlet of Francquetot existed well in the seventeenth century between the current municipalities of Cretteville and Coigny in the department of La Manche. On the other hand, the parish of Saint-Vandrille or Saint-Wandrille poses a problem since it cannot be found in the vicinity of these two communes in past centuries. It may be that Saint-Vandrille is the name of a chapel or abbey of the region but this possibility cannot be confirmed to date because according to the Cassini map, Francquetot was a hamlet without a church.

Moreover, genealogists, members of the Genealogy Circle of La Manche, have recently traced in the databases of the Genealogical Circle, the marriage certificate of François Frigon's sister. The transcript of the act, which is not the original, reads as follows:

On July 18th [1682], marriage to Étienne Grévin,  
Son of Jean and Marie Pilon and Jeanne Frigon,  
daughter of Yves and Marguerite Ferey<sup>3</sup>.

Note from the editor: Pierre conducted a search to determine if the parish of Vandrille is a parish of Cretteville or a parish of Coigny. Be sure to read the next newsletters. A series of articles by Pierre will try to clarify the issue.

<sup>1</sup>JETTÉ, René, *Dictionnaire généalogique des familles du Québec des origines à 1730*, Montréal, Presses de l'Université de Montréal, 1983, p. 444 ; LANGLOIS, Michel, *Dictionnaire biographique des ancêtres québécois (1608-1700)*, vol. 3, p. 270-271, Signature, p. 275 ; PRDH, fiche 27329 consultée le 1<sup>e</sup><sup>20</sup> juillet 2017..

<sup>2</sup>LANDRY, Yves, *Les Filles du roi au XVII<sup>e</sup> siècle*, Montréal, Bibliothèque québécoise, 2013, p. 75.

<sup>3</sup>Source : Brévands, 1642-1643, 1645-1650, 1668-1672, 1678-1679, 1681-1683, 1686-1691, 1710, 1714, 1751, collection communale, E7, copie de l'année 1682, vue 25/67



7th generation

*Chronologie*

Nom : Joseph Frigon  
 Né : 1864  
 Décédé : 1926 à Normandin  
 1<sup>ère</sup> épouse : Rébecca Massicotte  
 Décédé : à St-Prospère en 1896  
 2<sup>ème</sup> épouse : Esthla Lafleur  
 Né : 1856  
 Décédé : à Normandin en 1947



**GENEALOGICAL NOTES**

François and Marie-Claude Chamois

Jean-François and Gertrude Peros

Antoine Pierre and Marie-Anne Trottier

Pierre Antoine and Josephite Massicotte

Antoine and Marie-Anne Frigon

Joseph and Henriette Cloutier

Joseph (1864-04-22 and Rébecca Massicotte

Henri (1889-10-23) and Rose-Alma Lacourse

Henri (1917-06-06) and Régina Larouche

Marie-Paule and Paul-André Bilodeau

2 children: Johane and Marie-Josée Bilodeau

4 grand-children: Justine, Jeanne, Ariane  
Morency, Léanne Dumas

*Chronologie*

Nom : Henri Frigon (père)  
 Né : St-Prospère, 23 oct. 1890  
 Décédé : Normandin, 14 mars 1973  
 À l'âge de 83 ans 5 mois  
 Inhumé : Normandin  
 Mariage : 12 juin 1916 à Marquette  
 Michigan (E.U.)  
 Avec : Rose-Alma Lacourse  
 Né : Marquette, 04 mars 1897  
 Décédé : Normandin, 05 juin 1984  
 À l'âge de 87 ans 3 mois  
 Inhumé : Normandin  
 Noces d'Or : 26 juin 1966



8th generation

Henri Frigon (03033) was born in Saint-Prospère-de-Champlain on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1889. He got married on June 12, 1916 in Marquette, Michigan. Two years prior to his marriage, he worked as a diver in Lake Superior. He had 11 children, two of which were born in Marquette, USA. He lived as farmer in Saint-Méthode in Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean.



9th generation

Henri Frigon (04358) was born in Marquette, Michigan, USA, on June 6, 1917. He married Régina Larouche (04359) on January 4, 1939 in Normandin, Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean. They had 5 children : Jean-Marie, Louis-Henri, René, Marie-Paule (04362) and Clémence.

Henri worked as a farmer until 1962 when he sold his land to his oldest son, Jean-Marie. He was construction worker in Chibougameau between 1950-1955.

Source: Marie-Paule Frigon (aff173)  
02/09/2018.



*GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY 50 YEARS*

10<sup>th</sup> generation

Marie-Paule Frigon and Paul-André Bilodeau celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 19, 2018. A parish celebration was organised by the FADOQ ( a federation of Quebec seniors). There were 10 couples.

The celebration was held in the church of La Doré. 16 couples were present.

11<sup>th</sup> generation

Children of Marie-Paule:

Johane Bilodeau      Marie-Josée Bilodeau

and grand-children:

Justine, Jeanne,      Léanne Dumas  
Ariane Morency.



50° Paul-André + Marie-Paule F.  
Fête paroissiale organisée par la Fadoq. 19 mai 2018



Parents et amis

Marie-Josée, Paul-André, Marie-Paule, Johane and Guy



Ariane (14 ½) Léanne (6 ½) Jeanne (18) Justine (20)

Source: Marie-Paule Frigon. Picture taken in December 2017



Marie-Paule Frigon (04362) was married to Paul-André Bilodeau on August 17, 1968 in Albanel, Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean.

From left to right: the celebrant priest of Albanel, Marie-Paule's father; the bride Marie-Paule; the groom's father, Edgar Bilodeau.

**FOR ALL THOSE YOU HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR FIFTY YEARS AND OVER SINCE 2010**

Send your wedding anniversary photos to the Association, your own, those of your parents or those of your grandparents.

Let all the members share the descendants of our Frigon families  
Please get in touch with me. I will be happy to send you the details.

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