



GENERATIONS

IN THIS ISSUE

SO, WHAT IS THERE TO DO AT THE CONGRÈS MONDIAL ACADIEN 2014? <i>by Marty Guidry</i>	2
FAMILY PHOTO ALBUM: THE ALBERT A. GUIDRY & MARIE GAUDIN FAMILY	8
BOOK NOOK	10
THE HENRY GUIDRY FAMILY OF VERMILION PARISH, LA <i>by Robert L. Choate</i>	11
LES GUÉDRY D'ASTEUR - CIRCLE OF DISTINCTION	13
HISTORICAL TIBITS	16
BON APPETIT: Recipes from the Guédry/Labine/	17
FAMILY ARTISTS	18
LOUISIANA POLITICAL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE Richard Guidry	19
2014 REUNION NEWS	20

On 11-13 October 2013 three of the organizers of the Congrès Mondial Acadien 2014 traveled from the Madawaska area to Lafayette, LA for the Festival Acadiens et Creoles to promote the Congrès. Mr. Léo-Paul Charest, Executive Director of the Congrès; Mr. George Dumond, President for the Maine Region, and Ms. Lorraine Pelletier, Maine Regional Coordinator, invited me to breakfast to discuss concerns and positive aspects that our family was experiencing and foresaw with the upcoming Congrès. I was fortunate to have an in-depth, almost two-hour discussion with them while we enjoyed a fabulous breakfast at Dwyer's Café in Lafayette.

Major concerns that I brought up were the shortage of housing in the Madawaska area, the increased rates one or more of the Edmundston motels were charging, the booking of complete motels by a few commercial groups and the plan for accommodating a large number of people daily at the three border crossings. Mr. Charest, Mr. Dumond and Ms. Pelletier were all very open to learning of potential problems so they can be addressed before the Congrès. They were aware of a couple of the issues that I raised as the total booking of motels and the border crossing concern and are working hard to reduce the impact of these to Congrès attendees.

In the housing area I suggested that they update their Accommodations link on the Congrès website every 7-10 days to show how many rooms, etc. remain available for each listing. They indicated that they plan to do this soon although the data may not be exact for larger facilities since these do not want to indicate that all their rooms are booked.

All three folks stated that they have not seen any price increases in the Maine area and only the chain-type motel(s) increased prices in Edmundston. Mr. Charest was not sure if he could do anything to influence these facilities. Ms. Pelletier said that she was aware of only one facility in Maine being completely booked by TV network personnel for the week of August 15th, but would research further based on information I provided. Ms. Pelletier indicated that at least one additional motel may open later this year in Maine and she'd let me know about it as soon as she could confirm. They are working hard to identify camping and RV facilities as well as rooms in private homes and will add these to their Accommodations link on the Congrès website.

Mr. Charest and Mr. Dumond stated that they are working very hard with both Canadian and U. S. customs officials to minimize the impact of the border on Congrès attendees. They already have made excellent progress. They did suggest using the Van Buren, Maine border crossing when possible as it is new and can accommodate folks much quicker than the Madawaska and Fort Kent border crossings.

I mentioned to them that their communications and planning were excellent with the website, newsletter and program of events available so early. I also complimented them on their bilingual communications. It was very evident that they are all working very hard to have a super Congrès next year and are open to suggestions for improvement.

In this issue you'll find our current Reunion information. Enjoy.

SO, WHAT IS THERE TO DO AT THE CONGRÈS MONDIAL ACADIEN 2014? by Marty Guidry

The Congrès Mondial Acadien 2014 will 8–24 August 2014 in two Canadian provinces and one U. S. state – southeastern Québec, northwestern New Brunswick and northeastern Maine. The CMA organizing committee has filled these two weeks with a full slate of activities in all three regions. You can get a complete programming guide of all the activities at:

http://www.cma2014.com/images/programmation/Programme_2014.pdf

FAMILY REUNIONS

Of course, the highlight of the Congrès Mondial is the 116 family reunions occurring throughout the three regions. You'll quickly recognize some family names as Acadian and others as French Canadian since both groups settled this region in the mid-1780s. **The Guédry & Petitpas Reunion will be on Saturday, 16 August at the Acadian Village in Van Buren, Maine.** Details occur elsewhere in this issue of "Generations". To check on other reunions see:

<http://www.cma2014.com/en/reunions-de-familles/familles-inscrites>

To help you decide what other activities you may want to attend, let's review what's happening during the Congrès Mondial Acadien 2014. Additional information on each of these events is available under "Programming" at this link:

<http://www.cma2014.com/en/>

PILLAR DAYS

These are the three anchor days of the Congrès – the beginning, middle and end.

Opening Ceremonies - 8 August at "Parc Turgeon" in Edmundston, New Brunswick
As folks arrive at Parc Turgeon from all points within the regions, the spectacular show "L'Acadie du Monde" (Acadia of the World) will open the Congrès showing today's Acadia with singers, dancers and musicians as well as visual arts actors and writers. Roch Voisine, the celebrated North American and European recording star from Edmundston, will be the featured performer.



National Acadian Day – 15 August at St. David/Madawaska, Maine
"L'Acadie de l'Amerique", a major multi-media event, will celebrate Acadian culture in the American context with a line-up of international artists celebrating the Acadian diaspora. Zachary Richard, world-renown musician and singer from Scott, Louisiana, will headline this extravaganza.
[Note: The international bridge at Madawaska will be closed to vehicles on 15 August; however, parking on the Canadian side will be provided and a shuttle service will transport guests to the venue entrance. If you are staying in Maine, you will just proceed to the venue.]



**SO, WHAT IS THERE TO DO
AT THE CONGRÈS MONDIAL ACADIEN 2014?**
by Marty Guidry

New Beginning Ceremonies – 24 August at Témiscouata-sur-le Lac, Québec

Three communities in each of the regions will collaborate to develop a program to celebrate the inclusive character of New Acadia. The three triads – from Québec, New Brunswick and Maine will perform during the show “Nouveau Départ” to celebrate “L’Acadie du Québec” (Acadia of Québec). The performers will explore their shared heritage of folklore and the new wave of artists and musical groups that bring traditional music to life in a contemporary world. Evening fireworks over the lake will signal the end of Congrès.



Fireworks at New Beginning



Community Activities

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Communities, organizations, businesses and social groups throughout the three Congrès regions will be offering various activities as crafts exhibitions, festive suppers, dance shows, cultural demonstrations, historic displays, etc. Check the full program to see the locations and dates of these activities.

GRAND GATHERINGS

Three major gatherings will occur during the Congrès: the Great Youth Rally, the Women’s Summit and the 50 Years+ Summit.

Youth from Acadian regions throughout North America and Europe will gather from 12-17 August for the **Great Youth Rally**. Participants will interact in a variety of programs around three themes: Arts & Culture, Leadership and Politics. In addition, the youth will engage in other sideline activities including cultural events, meetings and performances.

During the **Women’s Summit** from 17–19 August, ladies from throughout the world will discuss issues that concern them to enrich and strengthen the collaborative spirit between them. There will be conferences, roundtables and time for reflection as these women bring a new perspective and contribution to the future of their Acadian communities.

From 19–20 August folks 50 years of age and older can gather for a series of discussions on issues of concern. The goals of the **50 Years+ Summit** are to promote a positive image of the aging population and highlight their contributions, identify issues associated with the aging of the population and provide positive solutions and practical tools to face the challenges of aging.

SO, WHAT IS THERE TO DO AT THE CONGRÈS MONDIAL ACADIEN 2014?

by Marty Guidry

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

Seven separate seminars and conferences will be held during the Congrès – each primarily focused on a specific topic. These are:

- Acadia in all its challenges: debates on the becoming of Acadia
- The Nursing Profession in Acadia
- Forestry seminars
- A Green, Sustainable and Eco-responsible Acadia: Towards the Future of Energy
- Local Governance: Common Reality and Shared Challenges
- Parks seminars
- Agriculture and Agri-food seminar

Additional information as dates, place and program for each of these events is available at:

<http://www.cma2014.com/en/programmation/colloques-et-conferences>

THEME DAYS

The Theme Days, featuring different regions of the world, will celebrate creativity, ingenuity, diversity and regional cultural characteristics. The seven themes are;

- Children's Day
- Scouts and Guides Movement Day
- Experience Acadie
- International Francophone Day
- Louisiana Day
- France Day

On 13 August children throughout the Congrès territory will celebrate **Children's Day** participating in activities demonstrating their creativity, innovative sense and contribution to the vitality of the Acadian community.

Scouts and Guides from throughout North America will head to Mont-Farlagne, Edmundston, New Brunswick on 13 – 14 August to participate in games, hikes, discovery, campfires, music, songs, exchanges of badges, workshops, camping and exhibits during the **Scouts and Guides Movement Day**.

On 16 August throughout the three regions **Experience Acadie** invites each of us to compare the flavor and accent of the unique Acadian heritage of Atlantic Canada and to grasp what it is that unites and distinguishes each Acadian region of Atlantic Canada.

The 17th of August is **International Francophone Day**. During this day the International Organisation of la Francophonie (OIF) will highlight its accomplishments – presenting various projects and programs it has developed to benefit its member countries and governments.

SO, WHAT IS THERE TO DO AT THE CONGRÈS MONDIAL ACADIEN 2014?

by Marty Guidry

On 18 August **Louisiana Day** will celebrate the Cajun culture at Grand Falls (Grand-Sault), New Brunswick through cultural programs, exchanges, reunions, networking and broadcasting. Expect some Cajun cooking here. Grand Falls is just across the International Bridge at Van Buren, Maine.

On 22 August **France Day** will celebrate the Acadian regions of France through cultural programs, reunions and networking.



HERITAGE AND OUTDOOR PROJECTS

These projects will be occurring throughout the timeframe of the Congrès and in all three regions. They represent a variety of ideas and themes developed and done by local people in their communities. Ranging from an exhibition of hooked rugs to a cycling tour to a philharmonic orchestra concert, these projects show the depth and diversity of the Acadian culture. See this link and the complete programming guide for more information on each of the projects:

<http://www.cma2014.com/en/programmation/projets-patrimoine-et-plein-air>



SO, WHAT IS THERE TO DO AT THE CONGRÈS MONDIAL ACADIEN 2014?

by Marty Guidry

SPORTS COMPONENT

Numerous sporting events will occur during the Congrès including baseball, canoeing, cycling, senior games, special games, swimming, fishing and many others. They will be played at venues throughout the three regions. See this link and the complete programming guide for more information:

<http://www.cma2014.com/en/programmation/volet-sportif>



SPIRITUAL COMPONENT

Throughout the two weeks of the Congr  s will be church tours, Eucharistic celebrations, religious exhibits and concerts. Specific information on these activities is in the complete programming guide.



EXPO-MONDE

The CMA 2014 International Showcase at the E. P. S  n  chal Center in Grand Falls, New Brunswick will be the meeting place for communities of people and a hub for the national and international Francophone culture. It will have continuous entertainment programs throughout the Congr  s.

MULTIMEDIA PAVILLION

Located at the Edmndston Multisports Pavillion during the entire Congr  s, the Multimedia Pavillion will have interactive display booths where guests can record their verbal stories, reactions and comments of the Congr  s Mondial Acadien 2014 based on their actual experiences from participating in the various activities. There will be an internet caf  , interactive games, a large stage, a viewing area and a press room.

SO, WHAT IS THERE TO DO AT THE CONGRÈS MONDIAL ACADIEN 2014?

by Marty Guidry

A COUPLE OF REMINDERS

Customs, Passports and Timing

The Congrès Mondial Acadien 2014 will take place in two countries – Canada and the United States. You **will need a passport** for each visitor. Canada has indicated that it may not require passports for CMA visitors; however, the United States has stated firmly that it will require passports.

There will be an exceptionally large number of people daily crossing the border in each direction – especially at the Madawaska-Edmundston international bridge. Plan accordingly and **allow significant extra time for the crossings** so you don't miss scheduled events. You might consider trying to schedule a day's activity in one country so you only have to cross the border once in each direction during the day.

Also, there are **THREE international bridges** in the area:

Madawaska-Edmundston international bridge

Van Buren, Maine international bridge

Fort Kent international bridge.

The latter two are less traveled and may be an attractive alternative.

Check this link for more information on border crossings and making declarations of what you are bringing into the country:

<http://www.cma2014.com/en/services/douanes-devises-et-services-frontaliers>

Currency

Canada and the United States have different currencies. You will use Canadian currency in New Brunswick and Québec and United States currency in Maine. You will be able to convert currency at local banks in both countries for a small fee if you don't convert it before you leave for the Congrès. You also can convert currency at larger airports for a fee.

Check this link for additional information:

<http://www.cma2014.com/en/services/douanes-devises-et-services-frontaliers>

Lodging

As in 2004 at Nova Scotia and 2009 on the Acadian Peninsula, lodging is a bit tight in the Madawaska region. Remember that you can generally cancel lodging reservations until within a day or two of arrival with no penalty. It is strongly recommended that you obtain your lodging for the Congrès as soon as possible – even if you still have not decided for certain that you are going.

FAMILY PHOTO ALBUM

The Albert A. Guidry & Marie Gaudin Family

Family photos of the Albert A. Guidry & Marie Gaudin Family provided by Christie Rivet.

Thank you for sharing a look into your family photo album. If you have family photos, stories or other treasures that you'd like to share with us here, please contact Marty Guidry at guidryrm@cox.net to have your family featured in our quarterly newsletter. We would love to hear from you.

**Gus, Celeste, Charlie, Lydie, Walter, Stella, Henry, Alma, Aline, Larry, Jimmy, Papa, 'Louloule', Bill
September 20, 1919, 35th Anniversary**



Albert Guidry & Marie Gaudin Guidry Family



Albert Guidry & Marie Gaudin Guidry-1935



GUÉDRY LINEAGE OF ALBERT AMAND GUIDRY

Albert Amand Guidry	m.	Marie Rosalie Gaudin
—		
François Bienvenu Guidry	m.	Aureline Bourgeois
—		
Pierre Guidry	m.	Marie Bazelite Duhon
—		
Jacques Guédry	m.	Anne Marie Bonvillain
—		
Jean Anselme Guédry dit Grivois	m.	Marie LeBlanc
—		
Paul Guédry dit Grivois	m.	Anne-Marie Mius d'Azy
—		
Claude Guédry dit Grivois	m.	Marguerite Petitpas

FAMILY PHOTO ALBUM

Albert A. Guidry & Marie Gaudin Family

MR. & MRS. ALBERT A. GUIDRY CELEBRATE SILVER WEDDING SURROUNDED BY TWELVE CHILDREN

Sunday, September 24, 1911
Times-Picayune New Orleans, LA



ALBERT A. GUIDRY & MARIE GAUDIN CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY-1936

Monday, September 21, 1936
Times-Picayune New Orleans, LA

Couple Celebrates Golden Wedding



—Photo by The Times-Picayune.
Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Guidry, 1820 Dante street, are shown above shortly before they cut their golden wedding anniversary cake Sunday night at a reception at the home of a daughter, Mrs. C. A. Berry, 2116 Burdette street. Four generations of the family were present at the celebration.

ALBERT A. GUIDRY, RETIRED PLANTER, DIES IN ORLEANS

Albert A. Guidry, a native of St. James parish and retired sugar planter, died at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. A. Touard, 2100 Pine street. He would have been 81 years old on September 15.

Mr. Guidry had lived in New Orleans for the past 35 years and was connected until 1926 with the



ALBERT A. GUIDRY

T. Dumas and Sons Furniture Company. He became ill four months ago.

He was married on September 20, 1886, to Miss Marie Gaudin of St. James parish.

In addition to the widow, Mr. Guidry is survived by 12 children, Mrs. Touard, Mrs. M. J. O'Keefe, Mrs. F. L. Manly, Mrs. Howard Berry, Mrs. John Peyroux, Jr., Charles, August, Walter, Lawrence, James and William Guidry, all of New Orleans, and Henry Guidry, New York city; 35 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

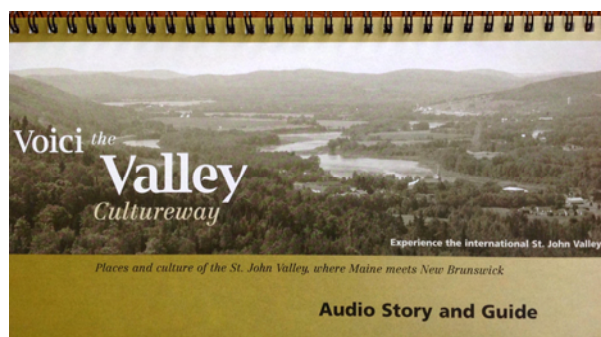
Funeral services will be conducted at 4 p. m. today at the Sharp-Sontheimer-Tharp funeral home. Religious services will be conducted at Mater Dolorosa church. Interment will be in St. Mary's cemetery, Hickory and Lowerline streets.

Albert A. Guidry Obituary
Monday, August 5, 1940
Times-Picayune (New Orleans, LA)

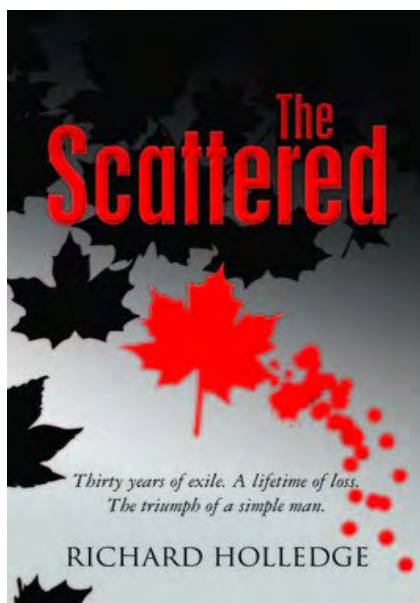
BOOK NOOK

The *Voici the Valley* was created to enrich your experience of the St. John Valley. The audio story is an 80-minute documentary on CD, included at the back of the guide. It celebrates the history, culture and traditions of the international region told from the perspective of the American side of the river. You'll hear stories, interviews with historians, artisans and traditional music. The CD isn't geographically oriented, so you can listen to it at any point on the Cultureway or wherever you may be. The 28-page guide has maps, descriptions of museums and communities, and beautiful photographs. Much like how the waters of the St. John River craft the landscape of the Valley, the *Voici the Valley Audio Story* is about influences that shape, shift, divide, and mark a place and a culture. For more information visit: <http://www.voicithethevalley.org/>

Voici the Valley Cultureway-Experience the international St. John Valley Audio Story and Guide



The Scattered Thirty years of exile. A lifetime of loss. The triumph of a simply man. By Richard Holledge



Love lost; love regained. Freedom; oppression. The casual cruelty of great nations; the plight of the weak and dispossessed. And against all hope—survival and a new life. The Scattered dramatizes the incredible life of one man and the people he loved, caught up in the saga that befell the Acadians, a simple, peaceable people, who were expelled by the British from their homes in Nova Scotia, Canada, in 1755. The great powers—France and Britain—were caught up in a titanic battle for power in North America. The small enclave of French-speaking Acadians were in the way and were brushed aside. In *Crucible of War* by historian Fred Anderson, an account of the battle for power in North America between France and Britain during the Seven Years war of 1756- 1763, described the expulsion as ‘chillingly reminiscent of modern ethnic cleansing’ operations...executed with a coldness and calculation rarely seen in other wartime operations.’ As former US Defence Secretary Donald Rumsfeld memorably remarked, ‘Stuff happens’ and *The Scattered* painfully reflects the implacable real politick that govern the actions of global powers and so often results in misery for the weak. So it was with the Acadians. Most of them were sent to the British colonies in North America—and treated shamefully. But one group was prevented from landing in Virginia and shipped to concentration camps in Britain. After six harrowing years were condemned to dismal exile in France with many compelled to risk their lives in tropical hell holes in Haiti and Guyana and even the bleak outpost of the Falkland Islands. For thirty years the stoic heroes of *The Scattered* endured this exile until they were invited to start a new life in Louisiana. This extraordinary story has many resonances to the way unwanted and dispossessed people are treated by powerful countries today. Furthermore, though the facts are known by many in the Acadian community, this is a saga that has yet to be told in a way that captures the anguish, the sheer fortitude, and the will to survive of this small band of ‘cousins’ as they called each other.

Above all, this is a story of an individual – his courage, his perseverance, his passion. There was a Jambo LeBlanc, the victim—and hero—of this book. He was 26 when the British seized him, his wife, and two children from their home in the village of Grand Pré in Nova Scotia. That was on October 27, 1755. His wife died in a Liverpool prison. Heartbroken, this unconquerable soul never the less found a new love in the ghetto and together, against pitiless odds, they stayed together until a new world beckoned. On June 29, 1785 LeBlanc landed in New Orleans and settled nearby. Today the LeBlancs and the Terriots, Richards and the Heberts—all descendants of those who survived those brutish years—live on in Louisiana. Now, of course, they are called Cajuns.

THE HENRY GUIDRY FAMILY OF VERMILION PARISH, LOUISIANA**By Robert L. Choate**

Henry Guidry, son of Adolphe Guidry (b. 15 Dec 1880) and Elzina Broussard (b. 1 Mar 1887), was born on 16 July 1909 in Vermilion Parish, LA and died on 18 Jul 2000 in Kaplan, Vermilion Parish, LA at age 91. Henry was a farmer and landowner, who in his early years farmed both cotton and rice before switching primarily to rice in his later years. He also grew corn to feed his family and the farm animals. Henry was fluent in both English and Cajun French.

Henry Guidry married Solange Mire (b. 18 Aug 1914), the daughter of Portalis Mire (b. 16 May 1888) and Marie Olive Sonnier (b. 21 Mar 1889), on 8 Nov 1930 in Vermilion Parish, LA. They lived and farmed at Lake Marceaux, which is just west of Theall, LA in Vermilion Parish. In 1948 Henry bought some additional farmland at Cow Island about three miles north of Lake Marceaux and moved his family there.

**Elzina Broussard Guidry****Adolphe Guidry****Henry Guidry & Solange Mire****Henry Guidry Family**

Henry and Solange's five children were:

- 1) Georgie Mae Guidry (b. 1931) married 1st Dewey Sellers & married 2nd Alfred Rockwell
Children of Georgie and Dewey Sellers are Henrietta and Yvonne.
- 2) Myrtis Marie Guidry (b. 1936) married Albert Trahan
Children of Myrtis and Albert Trahan are Alberta, David and Maxine.
- 3) Gloria Gene Guidry (b. 1941) married Jimmie Choate
Children of Gene and Jimmie Choate are James, Mark and Robert.
- 4) Joseph Calvin Guidry (b. 1947) married 1st Essie Seward, married 2nd Shirley Procter
& married 3rd Jacqueline Battle
Children of Calvin and Essie are Andrew and Amanda.
Child of Calvin and Shirley Procter is David Guidry.
- 5) Gerard Jeffery Guidry (b. 1951) married Sherry Hebert.
Children of Jeffery and Sherry are Shane and Rusty.

THE HENRY GUIDRY FAMILY OF VERMILION PARISH, LOUISIANA

By Robert L. Choate

Henry Guidry's parents raised him near the Spring Hill-Nunez area in Vermilion Parish where his father Adolphe was also raised. Adolphe farmed cotton, corn and sugarcane around the Spring Hill area.

Adolphe Guidry's parents were Felix Guidry (b. 12 Nov 1858) and Cecile Mathilde Broussard (b. 24 Oct 1862). Their Guidry lineage can be traced to Jean-Baptiste Guédry (b. 1747), who was deported from Acadia. Jean-Baptiste Guédry and his wife Marguerite Lebert (b. 1751) were married 25 Jan 1774 at Côtes-d'Armor, Brittany, France where Jean was a carpenter.

Jean-Baptiste Guédry, Marguerite Lebert and their children Marguerite, Pierre, François and Marguerite-Félicité boarded the vessel "La Bon Papa" at Nantes, France on 10 May 1785 for their voyage to Louisiana, arriving at New Orleans, LA on 29 Jul 1785.

GUÉDRY LINEAGE OF ROBERT L. CHOATE OF VERMILION PARISH, LOUISIANA

Robert L. Choate	m.	Vanessa Trahan
Gloria Gene Guidry	m.	Jimmie Choate
Henri Guidry	m.	Solange Mire
Adolphe Guidry	m.	Elzina Broussard
Felix Guidry	m.	Emetilde (Mathilde) Broussard
Euphrasie Guidry	m.	Eugenie Landry
François Guidry	m.	Celestine Dartes (widow of Louis Thibaut)
Jean-Baptiste Guédry	m.	Marguerite Lebert
Claude Guédry	m.	Anne LeJeune
Unknown		
[Possibly Paul Guédry & Anne-Marie Mius d'Azy or Augustin Guédry & Jeanne Hébert; Less likely are the "missing" sons of Claude Guédry and Marguerite Petitpas: Claude (b. 1682), Charles, Alexis, Claude (b. 1694) or Joseph Guédry]		
Claude Guédry dit Grivois	m.	Marguerite Petitpas



Henry & Solange Mire Guidry



Henry, about 25 yrs. old, in his rice field in the 1930's. Notice that the rice was cut with a sickle, (not a combine), then put in piles to dry for a few days. It was hard work to keep up the farm.



Henry, Nolia & Lilia

LES GUÉDRY D'ASTEUR CIRCLE OF DISTINCTION 2013 INDUCTEES

In 2011 The Board of Directors of Les Guédry d'AstEUR created the Circle of Distinction to honor members of the Guédry and Petitpas families that meet specific criteria and are selected by the Board.

The Board of Directors of Les Guédry d'AstEUR will periodically select up to six (6) persons a year to the Circle of Distinction. Recipients will receive a Circle of Distinction Certificate.

In selecting persons for the Les Guédry d'AstEUR Circle of Distinction, the Board will use these criteria:

- * The person must be a direct descendant of either Claude Guédry and Marguerite Petitpas or Claude Petitpas and Catherine Bugaret.
- * Persons with any variation of the Guédry or Petitpas surname are eligible.
- * The person through their work, their avocation or their life must have brought distinction to the Guédry or Petitpas name.
- * The person may be living or deceased.

On 10 October 2013 the Board of Directors of Les Guédry d'AstEUR appointed to the Circle of Distinction:



Myrtle LaBean Pletos for her extensive historical and genealogical research into the LaBean family of Michigan. Through her diligent studies over many years Myrtle has proven that the LaBean family emigrated from the Québec province of Canada to Monroe County, Michigan and that they descend directly from Claude Guédry and Marguerite Petitpas – their surname having been altered several times after the deportation of the Acadians. She has published her research in the genealogical journal “Michigan’s Habitant Heritage” as well as privately publishing her complete genealogical studies. Myrtle eagerly assists others researching the LaBean family and willingly provides her genealogical results to aid them.

Richard James Guidry for his significant contributions to French education and language in Louisiana and his lifelong work in the Acadian renaissance movement. Passionate in his love of the Acadian culture, Richard played a pivotal role in ensuring the survival of the culture in south Louisiana. He encouraged all he met to invest themselves in rejuvenating the culture and promoting it. Affectionally known as “Grand Cadien”, Richard was truly a legend in his own time. Among the many awards and recognitions he received were the Ordre des Palmes Académiques, the Acadian Culture Preservation Award and a Living Legend honoree. His encyclopedic knowledge of the Acadian culture, history and language was legendary. Richard’s many writings, documentaries and recorded presentations are invaluable. Born in Gueydan, Louisiana, Richard died on 27 July 2008.



LES GUÉDRY D'ASTEUR CIRCLE OF DISTINCTION 2013 INDUCTEES

Mark Labine for his extensive genealogical research into the family of Pierre Guédry dit Labine and Marguerite Brasseau, their resettlement in Québec immediately after the Acadian deportation and their eventual spread throughout Québec, Ontario and the upper United States. Mark has written extensively on his research including the well-researched and documented books “La Verdure de Mirligueche: A Story of the Guidry dit Labine Family in North America” and “Oak Island – An Acadian Tale”. Always willing to assist others, Mark shares his vast knowledge of the Guédry family with others seeking their roots.



Robinson Joseph Guidry for his lifelong avocation of carving outstanding wooden model boats typical of crafts used by Acadians in the Bayou Lafourche region of Louisiana. Robinson's model boats are in collections throughout Louisiana, North America and even overseas. His well-crafted models won top prizes at many Cajun heritage festivals. Robinson refused to sell his works, but instead gave them as gifts to outstanding students at local schools and to charities. Occasionally, a visiting dignitary received a model boat constructed by Robinson and often wrote to Robinson describing how proud he was to have it. Robinson displayed his outstanding work whenever asked at local festivals and family reunions – always entertaining his guests with interesting stories about specific models. Robinson died on 25 October 2011 having lived his entire life in Galliano, LA.

Robert Charles (“Bobby Charles”) Guidry for his pioneering role in developing the rock ‘n roll and Louisiana swamp pop musical genres. Although he could neither play a musical instrument nor write music, Bobby Charles became one of the most prolific and successful songwriters in second half of the twentieth century. As a teenager he wrote “See Ya Later, Alligator” which became a national sensation. Throughout his long career he composed award-winning songs for many recording artists including Fats Domino, Clarence ‘Frogman’ Henry, Dr. John, Ray Charles and Rick Danko. Bobby was inducted into the Louisiana Music Hall of Fame in 2007. Bobby Charles died on 14 January 2010 at his home near Abbeville, LA.



**LES GUÉDRY D'ASTEUR
CIRCLE OF DISTINCTION
2013 INDUCTEES**



Earl V. Guedry Jr. for his nationally-acclaimed traditional portraits that he paints in his native Opelousas, Louisiana. Earl began portrait painting as a youngster of ten and has perfected his craft through years of diligent study and practice. Today clients worldwide seek Earl to have their portrait painted. Earl paints doctors, lawyers, Native Americans and business men and women in their professional attire. His children portraits are endearing and his paintings of pets are cherished by their owners. Using the most advanced artistic materials, Earl's works of art are highly valued for their beauty and uniqueness.

Circle of Distinction members and their dates of induction are:

* Brigadier General Albert Louis Geddry	8 Oct 2011
* Mr. Ronald Ames Guidry	8 Oct 2011
* Mr. Daniel Charles Guidry	8 Oct 2011
* Ms. Rita Labine*	8 Oct 2011
* Ms. Sandra Pettipas Perro	8 Oct 2011
* Ms. Diane Adair Gaidry	8 Oct 2011
* Mr. Bernard L. "Bernie" Geddry	25 Oct 2012
* Mr. Velton Paul Guidry*	25 Oct 2012
* Mr. Gilbert Adélar Labine*	25 Oct 2012
* Dr. Thomas LaBean	25 Oct 2012
* Mr. Georges Petitpas*	25 Oct 2012
* Ms. Myrtle LaBean Pletos	10 Oct 2013
* Mr. Richard James Guidry*	10 Oct 2013
* Mr. Mark Labine	10 Oct 2013
* Mr. Robinson Joseph Guidry*	10 Oct 2013
* Mr. Robert Charles Guidry*	10 Oct 2013
* Mr. Earl V. Guedry Jr.	10 Oct 2013

*Deceased

IN THE NEWS-HISTORICAL NEWS TIDBITS

The Modern Acadians. The Picturesque French-Canadian Squatters In Maine

November 30, 1896

New York Tribune (New York, NY)

THE MODERN ACADIANS.

THE PICTURESQUE FRENCH-CANADIAN SQUATTERS IN MAINE.

From The Lewiston Journal.

Not long ago I rode across from Caribou to Fort Kent in the night. As morning dawned we were trundling through the mighty stretches of forest, with a rough clearing hacked out here and there, and desolate with blackened stumps. At this time of year the region must be dismal and lonesome enough to the women and children who are left to run affairs. The men are away in the woods for the winter. Here, several families huddle together in the largest house in a little settlement; there, some pioneer wife dauntlessly dwells alone right under the frown of the forest. They are active, too, these women folk, who are left behind to manage affairs. As we rode along in the gray dawn they were out long before the sun, chopping the wood for the breakfast fire, lugging hay for the cattle from the stacks and even already at work delving potatoes out of the hit-or-miss garden patches.

One portly French-Canadian mother, with hardy, brown face, was milking the cow in the front yard, occasionally squirting a white stream from the udder at the baby, who sat on a frosty log. The baby was a little fussy—with the cold perhaps—but the stream of milk always seemed to soothe its complaints.

I don't believe from what I saw that morning that the women in this Adamless Eden of Maine will have any time this winter to study Parliamentary law or even to follow a course of Chautauqua reading or to form any club.

But they'll have a good time and they won't be afraid of noises in the woods.

"Les hommes?" smiled a housewife where we begged a glass of milk. "Oh, zey good—my husband's he good wan, mais"—an expressive shrug of the shoulders—"she wan awful eater!"

So I judge that the madame was enjoying a winter's rest, so far as the cooking board was concerned.

The women do not need books or papers for entertainment. They are not readers. They like to meet o' evenings at some convenient house and rock and rock and talk and talk, interminably. They sing songs—the old familiar Canadian choruses, tell stories and then talk, talk, rock and talk.

Perhaps it's an unpoetic justice, but on many of the Northern Maine townships that were bid in by speculators at ridiculously meagre prices the squatters are closing in slowly and surely and unprofitably. Now, if you own timber land in Northern Maine and an interloper comes in and settles there, it may seem at first blush an easy matter to point your finger and order that individual off. He may go—he may not. He may stay for years despite warning to quit—especially if he has made improvements on the property, for which the land owner must reimburse him.

Nearly the whole township of Madawaska was appropriated by squatters, who quietly, but none the less effectually, got a settler's claim on the land. Then it was so expensive ousting them by law that the land owners gave it up as bad job and the squatters lived there and perfected their titles.

Nearly all the French-Canadians, who live along in the clearings on the Caribou—Fort Kent Road—are squatters, who are practically sure of retaining their land. The proprietors of the townships object and swear curses not loud, but deep, whenever the subject is mentioned, but ejection costs too much. And then, too, in every instance the Court would oblige the land owners to pay the squatter for whatever improvements had been made on the land, and in nine cases out of ten the land isn't worth the outlay. So the squatter remains.

The nomenclature in the Madawaska region is apt to bother the stranger. Many of the Acadian names are rather romantic when looked at in print, but when the Madawaskan pronounces them they lose their flavor. Perhaps I'm finicky, but it honestly seems as though the Acadian rule of pronunciation is to make the sound as ugly as possible. It's all right from the utilitarian point, but the slurring of melodious syllables jars, rather. Yet this isn't as bad as when some proud old Acadian name is toggled out in ugly English abbreviation—like a man in a bob-tailed child's suit.

Do you suppose that if my name were Michel Theriault, I'd let folks write my name Mike Tario? Or if my fathers had brought from the France of the seventeenth century the quaint old name L'Abbé I'd have some rude, iconoclast slurring it over as Laby—sound suggestive of the slop of curdled milk?

No, by the spirit of Evangeline!

Then there's Sirois that the Yankees are phonetically spelling Searway, and Beaulieu—suggestive of a charming scene—that's twisted into Boller, and Pelletier that's sure to be Pelky after the corrupter has done his work! Duncan Sinclair is the big man of St. John plantation and his name looks impressive. But how commonplace is Dunk Sinkler!—yet that's how you'll always hear his name in the Madawaska region.

Only once in a while is there an Acadian name that preserves its full flavor in pronunciation and resists the slurring of the prosaic Yank. Archambeault successfully resists and so do Bourgoin and Laferrier, but even those will be apt to be clipped into meaningless English words as the revolution in language and education progresses in the St. John Valley.

Never twit a Canadian on his language or slightly compare it with modern French. When the French refugees came to America in the seventeenth century they brought their language in its quaint purity of old form—the French language of that century.

The French of Canada still speak the language of sixteenth century France with its archaic forms. The Paris Frenchman understands the tongue with difficulty; so would we stumble over the dialect of our Anglo-Saxon ten-times-great-grandfather. True, the Canadian French have supplied in their speech Indian names for some objects that were never heard of in France, but the language itself is just as it was spoken by the chevaliers of 200 years ago.

BON APPETIT

FRUMENTY

from “Worcester County-Maryland’s Arcadia”
by Dr. Reginald V. Truitt & Dr. Millard G. Les Callette

Years ago as well as in more recent times, the newly harvested wheat was welcomed at the farmstead and in the community as a fine culinary addition. In the days before highly publicized popular breakfast cereals, a delectable dish, frumenty, was made from newly threshed, still somewhat soft wheat, and served enthusiastically as a breakfast dish or for dessert. This treat was known locally as frumenty, and in France as frumentee. It was purportedly introduced by the Acadians driven from Nova Scotia late in the French and Indian War, many of whom were dispersed throughout Worcester County. An old receipt of the Holston Family of Cedar-town is as follows:

Four cups of cracked new wheat
Four cups of hot milk
One and a half cups of dried seeded grapes (raisins)
One scanty teaspoon of salt
Four teaspoons of honey or syrup
A strong dash of powered nutmeg

Crack wheat by moistening in a cloth and pounding with wooden mallet. Soak overnight in cold water. Cook in hot water until very soft. Drain. Add milk, raisins, honey, nutmeg and stir while cooking ten minutes. Serve warm for breakfast or, with cream, cold for dessert.

**PUMPKIN SPICE BREAD**

from Allie Guidry

1 (15 ounce) can pumpkin puree
4 eggs
1 cup vegetable oil
2/3 cup water
2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
2 1/2 cups sugar
3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking soda
1 1/2 teaspoons kosher salt
2 tablespoons pumpkin pie spice

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Grease and flour two 8.5 x 4 x 2.5 inch loaf pans. In a large bowl with an electric mixer, combine pumpkin, eggs, oil, water, vanilla and sugar until well blended. In a large bowl, whisk together the flour, baking soda, salt, and pumpkin pie spice until well combined. Stir the dry ingredients into the pumpkin mixture until just blended. Pour batter into the prepared pans.

Bake in preheated oven for 60-70 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.

A COUPLE OF LOUISIANA ARTISTS

At the Festival Acadiens et Creoles on 12 October 2013 in Lafayette, LA were tasty Cajun food, foot-stomping Cajun music and superb arts and crafts. Two outstanding artists displaying their works were Kelly Guidry of Breaux Bridge, LA and Michael Guidry of New Orleans, LA.

Michael Guidry is a “painter of things” using traditional methods incorporating layers of oils and encaustics on wood, burlap and canvas. An avid fisherman in south Louisiana’s waters, Michael specializes in paintings of Louisiana wildlife, fish, shellfish and flora, but also includes in his portfolio everyday items as pop-sicles, doughnuts and telephone poles. His bright colors and interesting display draws ones eyes to his works. Two especially captivating subjects of Michael are oyster shells and blue crabs.

See Michael’s superb portfolio at: <http://mguidrystudio.com/new-page/>

Kelly Guidry, locally known as the chainsaw guy, creates interesting, unique sculptures from wood and metal using traditional tools as a chainsaw, power tools and welding equipment. Varying from Cajun fiddles and accordions, larger-than-life dragonflies, bugs, fish and birds, fleur-de-lis, voodoo babies, burned figures to hanging hearts, Kelly’s work is constantly evolving and much sought after in the art community.

View his unique sculptures at: <http://www.kellyguidry.com/index.html>

Artist Michael Guidry



Blue Crab by Michael Guidry



Artist Kelly Guidry



Kelly Guidry with customer



Kelly Guidry Booth

DICK GUIDRY BEING INDUCTED INTO HALL OF FAME

On 1 February 2014 Richard Guidry will be inducted in the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame in Winnfield, Louisiana for his outstanding service and his significant achievements while he served in the Louisiana House of Representatives.

Richard Guidry of Galliano, Louisiana in Lafourche Parish was first elected to a seat in the Louisiana House of Representatives in 1950 at the age of 21 and became the youngest person to serve in the House. Dick Guidry, as his local constituents called him, initially spent four years in the House. Being a very rural parish, Lafourche had many needs in the 1950s and Dick worked hard to improve the lives of his constituents. He successfully developed a way to get freshwater from the Mississippi River into Bayou Lafourche and local water treatment facilities - thus providing clean, fresh water to homes in the Lafourche country. Residents no longer had to rely on the unstable supply of rainwater into their cisterns and the potential diseases this could entail. He also was able to get funds to replace the aging ferries with good quality bridges across Bayou Lafourche – important to residents of the many communities that built up on both sides of the bayou.

Dick decided not to run for his house seat again in 1955. He then spent ten years in oilfield work where he witnessed the beginning of the devastation of the coastal marshes by the many canals and pipelines being constructed throughout the marshes. He returned to the Louisiana House of Representatives in 1964 after a ten-year break to work for his people. Immediately he went to work to have the South Lafourche Levee District created. In 1968 he saw his efforts come to fruition. Already the marshes were being lost in southern Lafourche parish with the potential for significant flooding and increased intensity of hurricanes.



Many thought it impossible to build a protection levee completely across southern Lafourche Parish, but not Dick. The levee was built and has protected the residents of southern Lafourche Parish for over three decades. Testament to its effectiveness was in 2005 when Hurricanes Katrina and Rita slammed into southern Louisiana. Residents of neighboring parishes spent months recovering from the devastating floodwaters, but Lafourche Parish, protected by the levees, suffered little flood damage. During his ten-year term Dick also created two hospital districts in the parish and obtained significant construction funds for Nichols State University in Thibodaux, Louisiana.

Richard Guidry's foresight in the 1950s and 1960s benefitted not only Lafourche Parish, but also the entire state as many of his ideas led to future improvements throughout Louisiana. Dick Guidry retired from the Louisiana House of Representatives in 1976 and today lives with his wife in Galliano, Louisiana.

GUÉDRY & PETITPAS REUNION

Saturday, 16 August 2014 – Van Buren, Maine

In 10 months we will have the 2014 Guédry & Petitpas Reunion at Van Buren, Maine. We will be discussing various aspects of our Reunion and the 2014 Congrès Mondial in upcoming issues of “Generations”. In this issue you’ll learn about key events during the Congrès Mondial. In a subsequent issue we will discuss Guédry and Petitpas connections in the greater Madawaska region. Of course, in each issue of “Generations” we will have updated information on our Reunion.

THE GUÉDRY & PETITPAS REUNION

Date - Saturday, 16 August 2014 from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm (times are tentative)

Place - Van Buren, Maine at the Acadian Village

The Congrès Mondial will be held 8-24 August 2014 in northern Maine, northwestern New Brunswick and southeastern Québec. Our Reunion will be the middle weekend of the Congrès Mondial letting folks who have only one week to attend the Congrès join us at either the end or beginning of their trip.

We are also the day after the National Acadian Day festivities scheduled for 15 August in Madawaska, Maine (Zachary Richard will be the headliner for the event) and two days before Louisiana Day (18 August) at Grand Falls, New Brunswick. Two key dates are the Opening Ceremonies on 8 August at Beau Lake, ME and Edmundston, NB and Closing Ceremonies on 24 August at Témiscouata-sur-le-Lac, QC.

Our Guédry & Petitpas Reunion is registered with the 2014 Congrès Mondial Organizing Committee and is #56 on their list of approved Reunions.

<http://www.cma2014.com/en/reunions-de-familles/familles-inscrites>

We have reserved the **Meeting Facility within the Acadian Village at Van Buren, Maine** for our Reunion. Although we are still developing our agenda for the day, here is a tentative outline of what we plan to have during the Reunion:

- Opening Ceremony
- Presentation - Madawaska Acadians: Their History and Heritage
- Break
- Chère Mom – an exciting Cajun band from South Louisiana featuring the Christine Guidry Law family
- Home-cooked buffet meal (approximately \$12-15 per person) [optional]
- Induction of new honorees to the Circle of Distinction
- Break
- Presentation – Recent Research on Guédry Origins in France
- Closing Ceremony
- Lots of time to meet and greet cousins during day

- Genealogical and historical displays to view
- Reunion souvenirs to purchase
- Family-related books to review and purchase

Attached to this newsletter is a **Registration Form for the Reunion**. If you plan to come to the Reunion, please complete the form and mail it to the address indicated with your Registration Fee. Pre-registering for the Reunion helps those of us planning the Reunion prepare better and have a nicer Reunion for everyone. Although you can pay at the door on the day of the Reunion, we cannot guarantee that a meal will be available for you.

Why did we select Van Buren, Maine? Similar to the Acadian Peninsula area near Bathurst, New Brunswick in 2009, there are very few family connections to our Guédry and Petitpas families in the 2014 Congrès Mondial region. Lacking a family-connected location for the Reunion, we looked for a strong Acadian connection.

After looking at the population centers and where Congrès Mondial activities will occur, we decided we should have the Reunion close to these areas and near Acadian attractions. Van Buren meets our requirements well and it is one of the first Acadian communities founded in northeastern Maine.

ACCOMODATIONS/LODGING

THE MADAWASKA REGION IS A RURAL AREA WITH LIMITED MOTELS AND LODGING AVAILABLE. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU BOOK YOUR LODGING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. (Remember that, unlike airlines, you can cancel lodging reservations with no penalty in most cases.) Many of the communities in northeast Maine and northwest New Brunswick have small motels, bed and breakfast facilities, cabins and camping facilities. Some accommodations in Van Buren, ME; Madawaska, ME and Edmundston, NB are:

Van Buren, ME

Aroostook Hospitality Inn	207-484-6200
Brookside Manor Hotel	207-868-5158
Colonial Motor Inn	207-868-3939
Van Buren Hotel	207-868-7780
Trailside Lodge	207-728-2293
Tastee Freeze Camping	207-868-3011

Madawaska, ME

Martin's Motel	207-728-3395
Inn of Acadia	207-316-9026
Fraser Mansion	386-416-8484
Blue Sky Hotel	207-728-6567
Charbonneau Camp Rentals	207-728-4132
Gateway Motel	207-728-3318

Waterfront Haven Cottage Rentals	207-728-4254
Long Lake Cottage Rentals	207-728-8683

Edmundston, NB

Comfort Inn	506-739-8361
Quality Inn	506-735-5525
Days Inn	506-263-0000
Best Western Plus Hotel	506-739-0000
Au NIDaigle	506-739-7567
Happy Motel	506-739-8844
La Roma Motel	506-735-3305

The CMA 2014 staff has developed an excellent website with lodging information both in Maine and New Brunswick. You can access the website at:

<http://www.cma2014.com/en/services/hebergement>

VAN BUREN, MAINE

Van Buren is a small Acadian community nestled on the beautiful Saint John River separating New Brunswick and Maine. It is approximately 25 miles from Madawaska, Maine; 28 miles from Edmundston, New Brunswick; 45 miles from Fort Kent, Maine; 98 miles from Campellton, New Brunswick and 102 miles from Restigouche, Québec.

Van Buren and the historic structures near it offer a window into the history and lives of Maine's Acadian community. The Acadian Village at Van Buren has 17 historic Acadian structures and there are several other Acadian farms and buildings within an hour's drive. Here are a few websites of attractions near Van Buren:

<http://themainelink.com/acadianvillage/>

(The Acadian Village in Van Buren website)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e-2bwbP29T8>

(Short Movie of Acadian Village)

<http://www.nps.gov/maac/planyourvisit/acadvillage.htm>

(National Park Service Site website)

<http://www.nps.gov/maac/planyourvisit/acadlanding.htm>

(Acadian Landing Site and Tante Blanche Museum)

<http://www.nps.gov/maac/photosmultimedia/Maine-Acadian-Culture.htm>

LAGNIAPPE – A LITTLE BIT EXTRA

- **Congrès Mondial 2014 Agenda** – Now available at:
<http://www.cma2014.com/en/programmation/programmationcomplete>
- **Passports** – Be sure you have a current, valid passport as the Congrès occurs in both the United States and Canada. The CMA staff is working to smooth border crossings and hope to have more information soon, but you will need a passport to enter or re-enter the United States. Information on U. S. and Canadian Passports is available at:
http://travel.state.gov/passport/get/get_4855.html (United States)
<http://www.ppt.gc.ca/index.aspx> (Canada)
- **Congrès Mondial 2014 Information** – CMA Staff has an excellent bilingual website with updated information at:
<http://www.cma2014.com/en/>
- **Lodging for Congrès: BOOK EARLY** – As discussed above, the Madawaska region is a rural area with few motels/hotels. Book your accommodations as soon as you can. Information on potential accommodations is given above. Remember that usually you can cancel lodging accommodations with no penalty.

* **Airports** –

The nearest major airports to Van Buren, ME are:

- Fredericton International Airport (153 miles)
[Air Canada]
- Bangor International Airport (194 miles)
[Delta, US Airways, Allegiant]
- Québec City Jean Lesage International Airport (224 miles)
[Air Canada, Delta, United, US Airways, Porter, PAL, Air Inuit, WestJet]
- Greater Moncton International Airport (258 miles)
[Air Canada, United, Porter, WestJet]
- Charlottetown Airport (353 miles)
[Air Canada, Delta, WestJet, Sinwing]

Smaller airports near Van Buren, ME are:

- Northern Maine Regional Airport at Presque Isle (36 miles) [PenAir]
- Bathurst Airport (126 miles) [Air Canada Jazz]

MAKE YOUR PLANS TO COME TO VAN BUREN

Now is the time to begin making plans to come to Van Buren on August 16, 2014 to make new friendships, renew old ones and enjoy the hospitality and culture of our Maine Acadian cousins. We are ahead of most of the families organizing Reunions to ensure y'all have adequate time to plan your trip and reserve accommodations, rental cars and transportation.

Les Guédry d'Asteur

What's in a name?

Guédry is the family to which you belong if your name is spelled Guédry, Guedry, Guidry, Gaidry, Guildry, Geddry, Jeddry, Labine, LaBine, LaBean or any of several dozen variations. The original name of our family is believed to have been Guédry. We are all descendants of Claude Guédry & Marguerite Petitpas.

Here are some common and uncommon variant spellings of the name.

Guédry	Guiddry	Geddrie	Jeddrie	Labeen
Guedry	Guiddery	Geddry	Jeddry	Labene
Guedrie	Guiedri	Gedree	Jederie	Labine
Guedris	Guiedry	Gedrie	Jedrey	LaBine
Guidry	Guildry	Gedry	Jedrie	LaBean
Gudiry	Guildrie	Gettry	Jedry	LaBeau
Guidery	Guitry	Gidrie		Labeau
Guidrey	Gaidry	Gidry	Lledre	
Guidrie	Gaidrie		Yedri	

Our **Petitpas** cousins likewise have several variations of their name including Petitpas, Pettipas, Petipas, Petitpa, Petit Pas and Pitts.

DUES REMINDER

Attached at the back of this issue is a membership application for renewing your membership in **Les Guédry d'Asteur**. Our dues are very reasonable at \$6.00 for individuals and \$10 for a family in 2013.

Please take a moment, complete the Membership Application, enclose a check and send it to the address on the application. It will help all of us do so much for the family. And, if you would like to join at one of the Benefactor Levels, it would allow us to do even more.



Les Guédry d'Asteur is now on Facebook. Join us there and connect with other family members from all over the U.S. and CAN. Feel free to post queries, photos, links, events or other items of interest to the family. Just search for 'Les Guédry d'Asteur' on Facebook to find our page.

Les Guédry d'Asteur

**To share your ideas for the newsletter,
contact:**

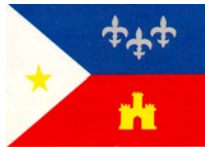
Marty Guidry
6139 North Shore Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70817
225-755-1915
guidryrm@cox.net

The Guédry-Labine Family Newsletter '*GENERATIONS*' serves as a focal point for family members to share and learn about us.

"*GENERATIONS*" newsletter is now in its eleventh year. We hope to provide our readers with an interesting, informative and entertaining newsletter. Your input is always welcome and we look forward to another year of sharing family history and news with you.

Allie Guidry
txguidry2000@yahoo.com

Marty Guidry
guidryrm@cox.net



Les Guédry d'Asteur Officers and Committees

OFFICERS:

President - Martin Guidry (LA)
Vice-President - Elaine Clement (LA)
Secretary - Billy Harrell Guidry (LA)
Treasurer - Daniel "Chuck" Guidry (LA)

Membership - Charlene Guidry Lacombe (LA) -
Chairperson
Gayle Guidry (LA) - Special Projects
Warren Guidry (TX)

COMMITTEES:

Website - Becky Boggess (IA) - Chairperson
Annie Grignon-Labine (QU) - Translator
Elaine Clement (LA) - Translator
Martin Guidry (LA)

Sales - Cindy Guidry Herdt (WA) - Chairperson
Wayne Simoneaux (LA)
Billy Harrell Guidry (LA)

Genealogy - Daryl LaBine (FL/ON) - Chairperson
Bernard Geddry (AZ)
Mark Labine (MN)
Daniel "Chuck" Guidry (LA)
Martin Guidry (LA)

Publicity - Elaine Clement (LA) - Chairperson
Margaret Jeddry (MA)
Warren Guidry (TX)

Newsletter - Allie Guidry (VA) - Editor
Martin Guidry (LA)

Finance - Cheryl Guidry Tyiska (MD) - Chairperson
Paul Labine (IL)
Marshall Woolner (OR)
Gloria Parrent (TX)
Chuck Guidry (LA)

CAFA Board Member - Jeanette Guidry Leger (LA)

Les Guidry d'Asteur
Membership Application
(Formulaire d'adhésion)

Name (Nom) _____
Last (Nom de famille) First (Prénom) Middle (Deuxième prénom)

Spouse (Épouse) _____
Maiden (Nom de jeune fille) First (Prénom) Middle (Deuxième prénom)

Children (Enfants) _____

Address (Adresse) _____
Street (Rue) _____
City (Ville) State (État/Province) Zip Code (Code postal) (Pays)

Telephone (Téléphone) _____

Fax (Numéro de télécopieur) _____

E-mail Address (Courriel) _____

Hobbies or Special Talent _____
(Passe-temps ou talent particulier)

Type of Membership (Type de cotisation):

_____ Individual (Individuelle) \$ 6.00 U.S. Dollars (Dollars américains)

_____ Family (Familiiale) \$10.00 U.S. Dollars (Dollars américains)

Benefactor Levels (Niveaux de bienfaiteur):

_____ dit Jovial Level \$50.00 U.S. Dollars (Dollars américains)

_____ dit Labine Level \$100.00 U. S. Dollars (Dollars américains)

_____ dit Grivois Level \$500.00 U. S. Dollars (Dollars américains)

Please return form and payment to: (Retournez le formulaire et le paiement à:) Make check payable to: *Les Guidry d'Asteur, Inc.*
(Libellez le chèque à: *Les Guidry d'Asteur, Inc.*)

Les Guidry d'Asteur, Inc.
Charlene Guidry Lacombe
Membership Chair
226 Bulldog Lane
Iota, LA 70543

Les Guédry d'Asteur
REGISTRATION for 2014 REUNION
(L'enregistrement pour 2014 Réunion)
16 August 2014 – Van Buren, Maine

Name (Nom) _____
Last (Nom de famille) First (Prénom) Middle (Deuxième prénom)

Spouse (Épouse) _____
Maiden (Nom de jeune fille) First (Prénom) Middle (Deuxième prénom)

Children (Enfants) _____
First Names of Children (Prénoms de enfants)

Address (Adresse) _____
Street (Rue)

City (Ville) State (État/Province) Zip Code (Code postal) (Pays)

Telephone (Téléphone) _____

E-mail Address (Courriel) _____

Number of People Attending (Le numéro de Gens qui assistent) _____

No. of Buffet Meals at Reunion (A l'intention de Manger des Repas à la Réunion) _____
(Buffet meal will cost \$12-\$15 per person / Le repas de buffet coûtera \$12-\$15 par la personne)
[This is not a commitment to purchase meals; we just need an estimate of potential meals needed]

Family - Parents and Children under 17 (Famille - Les parents et les Enfants sous 17):

_____ \$40.00 Dollars (Canadian dollars for Canadian payments; U. S. dollars for U. S. payments)
(Dollars canadiens pour les paiements Canadiens; Dollars américains pour les paiements américains)

Individual (Individuelle):

_____ \$20.00 Dollars (Canadian dollars for Canadian payments; U. S. dollars for U. S. payments)
(Dollars canadiens pour les paiements Canadiens; Dollars américains pour les paiements américains)

Please return form and payment to:
(Retournez le formulaire et le paiement à:)

Make check payable to: **Les Guédry d'Asteur, Inc.**
(Libellez le chèque à: **Les Guédry d'Asteur, Inc.**)

Les Guédry d'Asteur, Inc.
Martin Guidry, President
6139 North Shore Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70817 USA