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Quebec celebrates its 400th anniversary
Our Association celebrates its twentieth on
August 16, 2008



People of French descent across North America can trace their history back to Québec City, recognized today as the cradle of French civilization in the New World.

At one point, Québec City was at the center of New France, an empire that covered all of Eastern Canada and almost half of the current US territory. French North America extended from the Gulf of St Lawrence to the Great Lakes and from Hudson Bay to the Gulf of Mexico.

Although this empire was not to last, Québec City, as the capital of Lower Canada and later, of Québec, has continued to grow and thrive.

Message from the organizing committee

It is with pleasure and enthusiasm that we welcome our Levasseur, Carmel and Borgia cousins here in Quebec during this year of festivities. It has been some twenty years since Vincent, with a small group of volunteers created the Levasseur Association. This gathering will allow you to fraternize and meet in the Quebec Capital that constitute a natural area for all types of gatherings whether historical or current

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www.monquebec2008.com/



Society's Message for Quebec' 400th anniversary

Welcome to Québec City!

We are delighted to have you with us in this memorable year. In order to celebrate our 400 years of existence, the Société du 400^e anniversaire de Québec has prepared a calendar filled with events designed to move you, to captivate you, and of course, entertain you!

In fact, everything has been done in order for your stay here to be an unforgettable one. From January til October, some very talented Québec citizens will present a full array of activities that will exemplify the energy of our town, its cultural wealth and heritage, its flair for business and its love of the good life. Exhibits, lectures, live performances, animation, conferences... In 2008, everything and everyone are in celebration mode.

The wonderful adventure of the French culture in this New World began on July 3, 1608 with Samuel de Champlain. Through the years, the city built on Cap Diamant became the launching point of numerous expeditions that took renowned explorers across America. Gradually, this fortified capital became the fertile soil of Canada's foundation. For centuries now, Québec City has been noticed as a place where people of all origins gather to build a society with an enviable quality of life.

While we take pride in our heritage, we are decidedly rooted in the 21st century. Thus we have 400 years to celebrate. And we are glad to do it with you!

Québec's 400th anniversary team



The president's message

You are cordially invited to our 2008 meeting. It will be held in Quebec, the oldest city in North America. Come and celebrate the 20th anniversary of the foundation of our Association and proclaim with pride:

20 YEARS FOR THE LEVASSEUR, LET'S CELEBRATE AT QUEBEC'S 400TH ANNIVERSARY IN 2008.

Gilles Carmel, president

Program of the activities

Saturday August 16, 2008

9h00 - 9h45 : Reception and inscription in the hall (coffee and juice).

9h45 : Welcoming address by the president Gilles Carmel.

10h00 : Bilingual conference (Roger L.).

11h00 : Launch of our two genealogical dictionaries (Joceline L.).

11h15 - 12h00 : Sale of dictionaries, Workshops and exhibit of family monograph and photos.

12h00 - 13h00 : Lunch.

13h15 - 15h30 : Cultural visit.

16h00 - 17h15 : General meeting of the Association and election of new administrators.

17h30 - 18h00 : Presentation by Mme Pauline Gill, author.

18h00 - 18h30 : Cocktail offered by the Association.

18h30 - 23h : Banquet and evening (A bar service will be available for drinks, wine and beer. Draw and entry prizes.

Sunday August 17, 2008

A special mass will be celebrated at L'Eglise Saint-Benoît Abbé for our ancestors, Pierre, Jean and Laurent. (Address of the Church: 3420 de Rochambeau, Ste Foy, Quebec).

While in Quebec visit the various attractions. See the documentation given to you when you register.

The meeting place will be at :



Le Montmartre 1669, chemin St-Louis, Québec

Final date to register July 15, 2008

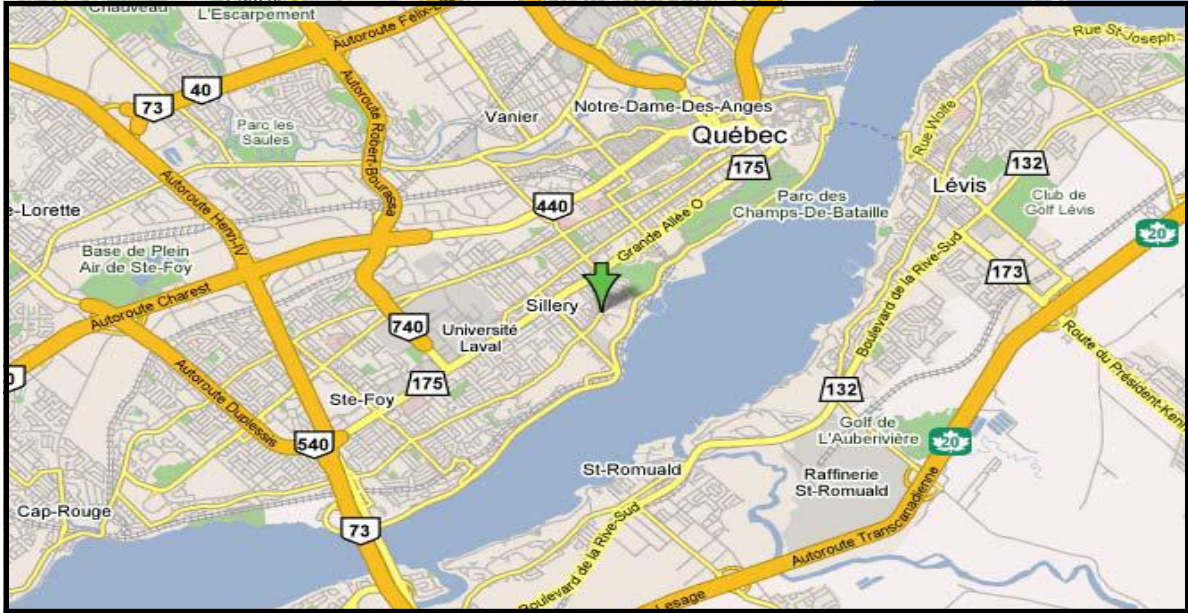
The registration forms can be obtained at : www.levasseur.org/quebec2008/insc.pdf



Quebec City, after having been the Capital of the French Colonies of America and of Lower Canada, was proclaimed the Capital of the Province of Quebec when the Canadian Confederation was created in 1867.



Le Montmartre, getting there



At the intersection of Chemin St-Louis and Maire Beaulieu

Le Montmartre, on the shores of the St-Laurent, a site to discover.

Father Marie-Clément Staub, Assumptionnist erected in Sillery in 1925 the Canadian Montmartre. The Augustin Congregation of Assumption (or «Assumptionnist») which took root on this occasion in Quebec, was founded in France in 1850



Quebec 2008 Theme : Meetings and Encounters



For thousands of years, Québec has been a natural meeting place for encounters great and small, historic and contemporary.

Encounters between Europe and North America, First Nations and settlers, France and England. The confluence of a mighty river and a chain of mountains, of fresh and salted waters, of Upper and Lower Town, of venerable old stones and modern glass walls. A rendez-vous for lovers charmed by the city with its hospitable residents and visitors from the world over.

This succession of encounters has left its mark on Québec City and on its landscape, architecture, culture, economy, population and lifestyle. Today we celebrate the founders' choice to establish Québec City here where so many memorable meetings and encounters are made possible.

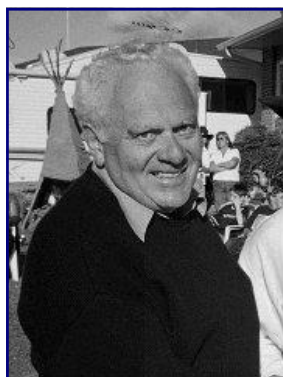
This is the essence of the programming for Québec City's 400th anniversary: sharing this historic and contemporary crossroads of memorable encounters with all comers.



9 h 45 : Welcoming by the President

Gilles Carmel has been president of the Association for the past four years. A constant worker and never counting the time spent, Gilles has contributed significantly to the modernization of effective means of communication by creating a new category of members who now receive our services and publications by internet.

Gilles will be reviewing the past twenty years of our Association and stressing the importance arousing interest amongst younger to join our Association and contribute to its future development.



10 h Bilingual Conference by M. Roger Levasseur

Past president and for many years worked closely with Vincent. Roger is considered a good «raconteur» (story teller). He will be informing us about the lives lived by our first ancestors who left France to establish themselves in the Colony and some key historical events of the late 16th and early 17th century.



11 h The launch of two updated dictionaries by Mme Joceline Levasseur, genealogist

After many years of work, Joceline and her team are pleased to launch two new genealogical dictionaries. One is about Laurent's descendants and the other about Jean and Pierre Levasseur's descendants. These works represent thousands of hours of research in various archived documents. Three generations of genealogists have contributed to this successful task.

Joceline will be presenting her work and will be explaining how to consult these volumes.

13 h 30 Main activity

Quebec City, A Center for Arts and Culture

Québec City offers art lovers of every persuasion access to a wide array of major events and happenings that testify to its vibrant cultural life. Numerous painters, sculptors, photographers, and multidisciplinary artists live and work in the city, contributing to Québec City's cultural life with rich and varied forms of artistic creation. Their works are displayed in museums, galleries, interpretation centers, and artists' centers.

During the afternoon, there will be an outdoor activity enabling us to discover a cultural site of Québec City

17h30 Literary presentation

by Mme Pauline Gill Author

Prior to devoting her time to writing, Pauline Gill, originally from l'Islet taught at the high school and collegiate levels.

She will be presenting her acclaimed book, Dr Irma Levasseur, the «White Wolf». First French Canadian women to practice medicine in this country. Irma founded the hospital of Sainte Justine in Montreal and l'Enfant Jésus in Quebec City



During the day ...



Diane

Work shop will be held on various topics pertaining to genealogy, initiation and utilization of the software, Brother's Keeper and researching in our data bank. There will also be exhibits of ancient photos and genealogical bulletins.

Our two leaders for the day are Rejean and Diane Levasseur. Of course your organizing committee members will always be on hand to assist you as best they can.



Réjean



Dictionnaire généalogique
des descendants de
Laurent Levasseur

2^e édition
1666 - 2008

Association des Levasseur d'Amérique

Dictionnaire généalogique
des descendants de
Jean et Pierre
Levasseur

2^e édition

Association des Levasseur d'Amérique

The launch of our genealogical dictionaries

by : Joceline Levasseur

To all members of the Levasseurs of America, we will be pleased to present two genealogical dictionaries at this gathering. The title of one is: Dictionnaire généalogique des descendants de Jean et Pierre Levasseur and the other is : Dictionnaire généalogique des descendants de Laurent Levasseur. The data in these volumes is extracted from the Association's data base are the work of three generations of genealogist that have passed on to one another the results of their research.

With these dictionaries you will be able to reconstitute your individual genealogy and the family tree of each of your ancestors. You will also find data on many births, baptism, marriages, deaths and burial of those who preceded us.

If it has not already been done, you can reserve one or both copies of the dictionaries. We have only printed a limited quantity. For those who are unable to attend the meeting, your order will be shipped by mail. The dictionaries are hard cover.

To reserve, contact: Joceline Levasseur, 3640 Pélissier, Québec (Québec), G1X 3W8, jolevasseur@videotron.ca

Research in the dictionary

The dictionary can be compared to a pyramid with the ancestor at the summit. He represents the first generation.

For you who is at the bottom of the pyramid. you must use the alphabetical index and the back of the dictionary to determine your ascendance. We recommend that the reader with the Levasseur patronymic begin by finding his mother's name or that of his paternal grand mother. Once that name is found, proceed to the page indicated and find her name.

A page of the book is shown on page 9.

1er Génération

1. **Jean¹ Levasseur dit Lavigne**, n. vers 1622, (fils de Noël Levasseur et Geneviève Gaugé) d. 31 août 1686 à Québec, QC,¹ sépulture 1 sep 1686 à Québec, QC.¹ Il a épousé **Marguerite Richard**, 23 avr 1646 à Paris,¹ contrat de mariage 23 avr 1646 Notaires Le Cat et Le Semelier, n. vers 1630,² (fille de Nicolas Richard et Jeanne Bonnet) d. 23 avr 1708 à L'Ancienne-Lorette, Québec, QC,¹ sépulture 24 avr 1708 à L'Ancienne-Lorette, Québec, QC.¹
 - Enfant(s) :*
 - 2 i. **Louis² Levasseur**, n. vers 1648 à Paris, France.¹
 - 3 ii. **Anne Levasseur**, n. 22 jul 1652 à Québec, QC,¹ baptême 22 jul 1652 à Québec, QC.¹
 - + 4 iii. **Noël Levasseur** n. 20 déc 1654.
 - 5 iv. **Jean-François Levasseur**, n. 20 déc 1654 à Québec, QC,¹ baptême 20 déc 1654 à Québec, QC.¹
 - 6 v. **Ursule Levasseur**, n. 25 fév 1657 à Québec, QC,¹ baptême 25 fév 1657 à Québec, QC,¹ d. 20 mar 1708 à Québec, QC,¹ sépulture 20 mar 1708 à Québec, QC.¹ Elle a épousé **Guillaume Roger**, 6 jan 1672 Lieu indéterminé (au Québec), contrat de mariage 6 jan 1672 Notaire Rageot,¹ n. vers 1632 à St-Séverin, Paris, France, (fils de Guillaume Roger et Élisabeth Oussaye) d. 22 mai 1702 à Québec, QC, sépulture 22 mai 1702 à Québec, QC.¹
 - 7 vi. **Marie-Thérèse Levasseur**, n. vers 1659, d. 25 mar 1731 à L'Ancienne-Lorette, Québec, QC,¹ sépulture 26 mar 1731 à L'Ancienne-Lorette, Québec, QC.¹ Elle a épousé **Nicolas Bonhomme/Beaupré**, 14 jan 1676 à Notre-Dame, Québec, QC,¹ n. 5 fév 1653 à Québec, QC,¹ (fils de Nicolas Bonhomme et Catherine Gouget) baptême 9 fév 1653 à Québec, QC,¹ d. 17 mar 1711 à L'Ancienne-Lorette, Québec, QC, sépulture 17 mar 1711 à L'Ancienne-Lorette, Québec, QC.¹
 - 8 vii. **Angélique Levasseur**, n. 9 jun 1661 à Québec, QC,¹ baptême 9 jun 1661 à Québec, QC,¹ d. avant 20-4-1717. Elle a épousé **Charles Hamel**, 13 jan 1682 Lieu indéterminé (au Québec), contrat de mariage 13 jan 1682 Notaire Duquet,² n. vers 1659 à St-Aubin, Rouen, Normandie,¹ (fils de Charles Hamel et Catherine Lemaître) d. 24 jul 1728 à Ste-Foy, Québec, QC, sépulture 24 jul 1728 à Ste-Foy, Québec, QC.¹
 - 9 viii. **Marie-Madeleine Levasseur**, n. 11 jun 1663 à Québec, QC,¹ baptême 14 jun 1663 à Québec, QC,¹ d. 18 jun 1663 à Québec, QC,¹ sépulture 18 jun 1663 à Québec, QC.¹
 - 10 ix. **Charles Levasseur**, n. 7 avr 1665 à Québec, QC,¹ baptême 7 avr 1665 à Québec, QC.¹

2e Génération

4. **Noël² Levasseur**, (1.Jean¹) n. 20 déc 1654 à Québec, QC,¹ baptême 20 déc 1654 à Québec, QC,¹ d. 7 mar 1731 à Québec, QC,¹ sépulture 8 mar 1731 à Québec, QC.¹ Il a épousé (1) **Marguerite Guay/Gastonguay**, 30 oct 1679 à Québec, QC,¹ n. vers 1661 en France,¹ (fille de Gaston Guay et Jeanne Provost) d. 21 avr 1702 à Québec, QC, sépulture 21 avr 1702 à Québec, QC.¹ Il a épousé (2) **Marie-Anne Mailloux**, 10 jan 1711 à Québec, QC,¹ n. 29 nov 1670 à Québec, QC,¹ (fille de Pierre Mailloux/Desmoulins et Anne Delaunay) baptême 30 nov 1670 à Québec, QC,¹ d. 28 nov 1749 à Hôpital Général, Québec, QC,¹ sépulture 28 nov 1749 à Hôpital Général, Québec, QC.¹

Enfant(s) de Marguerite Guay/Gastonguay:

- + 13 i. **Noël³ Levasseur** n. vers 1680.
- 14 ii. **Jeanne-Marguerite Levasseur**, n. 5 fév 1682 à Sillery, Québec, QC,¹ baptême 6 fév 1682 à Québec, QC,¹ d. 22 déc 1716 à Québec, QC,¹ sépulture 23 déc 1716 à Québec, QC.¹ Elle a épousé **Étienne Mirambeau**, 22 avr 1705 à Notre-Dame, Québec, QC,¹ n. vers 1668 à St-Séverin, Bordeaux, France.

¹ PRDH. Programme de Recherche en Démographie Historique.

² Michel Langlois, *Dictionnaire biographique des ancêtres québécois*.



Room reservations

Each is responsible to make his or her own reservations. Here are a few options.

HÔTEL GOUVERNEUR, boulevard Laurier, Québec

Fifteen rooms have been set aside at l'Hôtel Gouverneur for the Levasseur families for the meeting on August 16, 2008. The final date to reserve rooms is June 27, 2008. It is suggested that you make your reservation as soon as possible.

The days we have set aside are the 15-16-17 August 2008. The cost is 149 to 199 per night for two. Hôtel Gouverneur, 3030, boulevard Laurier, Québec (Next to the Laurier Shopping Centre)
Tel. : 1-866-651-3030 Make reference to reservations in the name of the Levasseur family. Hurry, the number of rooms is very limited.

LA MAISON JÉSUS-OUVRIER

Simple room, (shower and toilet outside of room) \$32 including continental breakfast.

Double room (shower and toilet outside of room) \$47 including continental breakfast

Simple room with shower and toilet \$47 including continental breakfast.

Double room with shower and toilet including continental breakfast for two, \$77.

Rooms are not air conditioned

Maison Jésus-Ouvrier 475, boul. Père-Lelièvre, Québec (Qc) G1M 1M9 : (418) 683-2871.

Other choices:

- Hôtel et Suites Normandin : (418) 266-2165 or 1-877-778-8977
<http://www.hotelnormandin.com/localisf.htm>
- Hôtel Universel: Tél : (418) 653-5250 or 1-800-463-4495
(<http://www.quebecweb.com/hoteluniversel/introfranc.html>)
- Hôtel Radisson Downtown: (418) 266-2165 or (877) 778-8977
(<http://www.quebecweb.com/radissonquebec/introfranc.html>)

For a list of all hotels, Bed and breakfast, and Inns in the Quebec area see:
l'Association Hôtelière de la région de Québec : <http://www.quebec-hotels.ca>



Reserve your promotional items

We have ordered wine glasses, coffee cups and beer mugs bearing the Levasseur effigy. You are invited to order these items now and they will be set aside and given to you when you arrive at the meeting on the 16th. Since there is a limited quantity available, by order now, you will be guaranteed having a mug or glasses. They make excellent gifts for your Levasseur loved-ones.

Simply indicate by E-Mail your intention by letting us know what you want and they will be set aside. No need to pre-pay.

Prices are as follows: coffee cups \$10, wine glasses, \$13, beer mugs \$14 and bottles of good quality red wine with Levasseur effigy, \$30.

Other publications for sale

You can find descriptions of other articles and publications available for sale on the web site:

<http://www.levasseur.org/publications/>

Select any of these articles and advise us of your choice. They will be available at reduced prices (up to 30% less) since there will be no shipping charges when picked up at the meeting.

Only one address to reach us if you have any questions about the meeting:

quebec2008@levasseur.org





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DU MIEUX QUE JE PUIS*

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Some great events - Quebec 2008



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minutes... millions of humans, millions of names and voices, millions of
lives. The interactive exhibition will use the codes and mechanisms of an
airport-like point of transit.



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Espace 400e and the streets of Old Québec

For all information about the Quebec 1608-2008 festivities
consult the following:

<http://www.monquebec2008.com>

