



L'Association des Levasseur d'Amérique inc

President's report

Members of the Levasseur Association,

The reports that members of the Directors will be making will allow you to witness the accomplishments on our new user friendly website, and the valuable work done by the Treasurer, the Genealogist as well as of the Secretary.

Prior to sharing with you some statistics that are of concern to the board members regarding the future of the Association, on your behalf, I would like to thank them. Thank them for their dedication and the time they spend making your Association the envy of a many other family Associations.

Jean-Pierre Levasseur for the development of the new website. A phenomenal job that we will have the opportunity to see during the day.

Gilles Carmel for the maintenance of statistics on membership, the compilation of obituaries and his wise counsel.

Joceline Levasseur for the hours she spends as a genealogist to maintain the data base

Pauline Carmel for her work as Treasurer. The Association is privileged to have such an accomplished accountant.

Huguette Levasseur for her articles for the newsletter and the organization of meetings.

Let us not forget work of Carmen Trottier on face book, that of Jean-Marie as well as all members who inform others about the Levasseur Association.

Here are some disturbing statistics about the future of the Association

1. A few years ago we had 170 members.
2. Today we have 115 members including the youngest, Heidi is 40 years old and the oldest Jean-Marie who is a member of the Board in born in 1927 (92)
3. The decreasing rate of membership is more than 10% per year.
4. Statistics reveal that nearly 40 members do not visit our website.

The average age of the membership is 74 and 79 for the Board of directors. Half of the members were born before 1950. Also, considering the loss by attrition (death and disease) we anticipate a significant loss of membership within the next 5 years. The membership could be as low as 70 to 80 members in 2025

Considering this situation, there is work to be done to manage these shortfalls.

Is it possible? That will be our task for the next years while we are still healthy and able to do the work.

Roger Levasseur

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