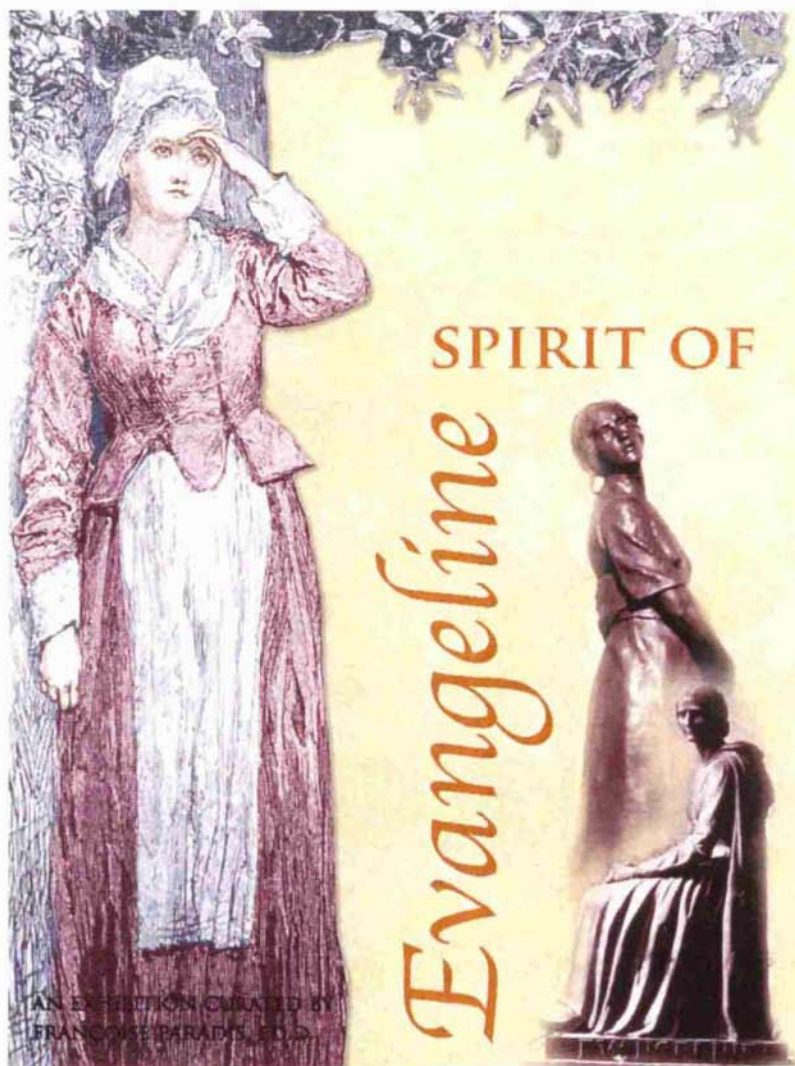


STE-AGATHE *Historical Society*

NEWSLETTER

FALL 2005



"Spirit of Evangeline"
Commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the
Deportation of the Acadians from Nova Scotia
September 5th, 1755

Spirit of Evangeline

One of the main events for the Ste-Agathe Historical Society this summer was to host an evening presentation of the "Spirit of Evangeline." There were approximately 30 citizens on hand to hear Dr. Francoise Paradis explain the exhibit of Evangeline. This exhibition, shared with L'Heritage Vivant (Acadian Village) of Van Buren, included a compilation of images, memorabilia, and other products that show the depth and breadth of Evangeline's spirit as it was conceived by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow in his epic poem and incarnated into the Acadian culture. The exhibit includes images of over 30 known artists and some unknown artists from various antique editions of *Evangeline: A Tale of Acadie*. As stated in the brochure, "The Spirit of Evangeline, has prevailed as a guiding light for Acadians to come home. Evangeline brought hope, a sense of identity, and purpose to the renaissance of the Acadian nation." September 5, 2005, marked the 250th Anniversary of the Deportation of the Acadians from Nova Scotia. August 25th included student tours and a teacher workshop presided by Dr. Paradis. Seventy students from Wisdom Middle/High School participated in the day's events and 12 Aroostook County educators were on hand for the workshop. Ste-Agathe Historical Society board members capped off the event by serving "an Acadian meal with ployes." This cultural event was made possible by a Maine Humanities Council Community Outreach Grant and the following local supporters: Katahdin Trust Co., LaVallee Federal Credit Union, NorState Federal Credit Union, and the St. Agatha Federal Credit Union.



On hand for the evening presentation of "Spirit of Evangeline" were numerous history buffs. In photo are: Roberta Guerrette from St. Agatha, Dr. Francoise Paradis from Buxton, Me., and Simone Gervais Guimond from Bristol, Ct. (Background features the Society's look alike Evangeline costume made by Gloria Gervais).

Maine Acadian Heritage Council Achievement Award



Terry Ouellette was honored at the 28th Annual Acadian Festival opening ceremony by being presented the Maine Acadian Heritage Achievement Award. Standing near the Acadian Cross with Terry are accompanying Ste-Agathe Historical Society members, Phil Morin, Ouellette, Carole Plourde, and Stan Albert.



Guests at the Preservation Center during the Acadian Festival included four people from Martinville, La. "We extend an open invitation to Acadians from Northern Maine," said Trahan-Comeaux. In photo are Phil Morin, Carole Plourde, Ray Trahan, Brenda Comeaux Trahan, Francoise Paradis, Gloria Gervais, Joseph Gervais, Christy Dugas Maraist, David Maraist, Florine Michaud and Lucille Paradis.

PAULINE SOUCY MARQUIS 2005 MOTHER OF THE YEAR



In May, 2005, Mrs. Pauline Marquis was crowned this years Mother of the Year by Les Dames de Ste-Anne. Following the 4:30 Mass in St. Agatha, family and friends gathered in the Church hall for a reception to celebrate the event.

Mde. Pauline was born in Canada, the second child in a family of 18 children. Being the oldest girl, she worked hard at home, helping out with chores and caring for her other siblings.

On January 7, 1952, Pauline married Leo Marquis. They moved to Montreal for a short time, before settling in Edmundston, N.B. Four years later, the couple and their 3 children, Denise, Francine and Michel moved to Madawaska. Later, they would have 2 more children, Rene and Marc. Pauline was very busy, raising her children. She was a expert seamstress and would make most of the children's clothing. There was always a big garden to tend to, and at harvest time, Pauline would make relish, pickles and can the rest of the vegetables. During this time, Pauline was also learning to speak and write English. She took night classes, learning typing, bookkeeping and accounting, and proudly graduated from high school. Together, her and Leo started a successful business.

Today, Pauline and Leo have 13 grandchildren, 2 step grandchildren, and 10 great grandchildren, all of whom she loves to get together with. She is a very kind and giving person. She has been a volunteer at the Edmundston Hospital, sitting with the terminally ill. Pauline serves as a Eucharistic Minister and is an active member of the Ladies of St. Anne.

Gary Babin's Groceries & Meats & Sandra's Kitchen Celebrates 40 Years in Business

It is a given that the village of St. Agatha, nestled in the hills of the St. John Valley in the northern reaches of the state of Maine, is not, nor ever was, a shoppers' mecca. There has never been any commercial enterprise up and down Main Street that has even come close to being anything like under the umbrella of some franchise or other. No McDonald's, Burger Kings, K-Marts, Wal-Marts, or even a Shop'n Save. All the businesses that have thrived or struggled, spanned generations or floundered have been of the 'mom and pop' variety. The 'owner' has always been in the store. And that has been the endearing quality that has made 'buying it locally' the hallmark of good trade.

BABIN'S GROCERY OUTLET, centrally located on Main and less than but a five minute recess stroll from Wisdom High School, has more customers going through its front door every day than the local U.S. Post Office across the street. And why not? You can get fresh lobsters for a feast, a great cut of beef for the barbecue pit, a bottle of wine, a six-pack, a great pizza hot from the oven, and delicious beans baked every Saturday. BABIN'S has well-stocked grocery shelves and the meat counter has all the fresh cuts prepared especially for each customer's particular taste. And if someone wants a quick tasty meal on the premises, one has to let his nose lead him to the wonderful, inviting aroma coming from Sandra's Kitchen, just one aisle over from shelving piled high with aspirins, Band-Aids, cough syrups, and light bulbs.

And of course, the owner is in the store. You just have to throw the front door open and the electric buzzer alerts the clerks and Gary, the owner. More often than not, even if you can't spot Gary behind the tall shelving and the usual hustle and bustle of customers in the narrow aisles, he has spotted you from behind the meat counter and booms some sort of warm and friendly greeting, making you know for a fact, that you've come to the right place. Gary's welcome mat is *'written all over his face'*.



Gary, behind the meat counter, always with a warm and friendly greeting

Gary Babin is a second generation merchant. And his friendly and inviting manner is generational also. His dad, Robert C. Babin, better known as Clint, taught him well. In the years that Clint ran the store, he too had shone a genuine love of dealing with the public. Clint, and his wife, Rita, had bought the building and business from Rosario and Ida Frank in 1965.

The Franks, over the last years of their ownership, had stocked men's clothing, run a pool room, served milk shakes and banana splits from their sparkling fountain, while Rosario and one of sons, Gerald, pursued their titorial skills. Mr. Frank had run a barber shop and pool room a few hundred yards away, down from Albert Michaud's and the Dufour Brothers' stores on what is now known as Cleveland Street. And sometime in the '30s most of those buildings, including what today would be referred to as a *'performing arts center'* then known simply as "The Woodsman's Theater", where, according to Mr. Rosaire Lagasse, live productions *'out of Canada,'* entertained the local population. Movies in black and white, and without sound of course, regaled young and old alike. But then, tragedy struck. Several homes and businesses burned to the ground. Local townspeople had put up a good fight rushing buckets of hand-pumped water to the conflagration. In the days before fire-fighting equipment, these hardy folk were no match for the howling winds fanning the fires, jumping from one wooden structure to the next.

Undaunted, Rosario rebuilt and a few years later, in 1943, he realized that his new barbershop and poolroom would fare far better if his business were situated on the main drag instead of the quiet dirt road leading to no place but *'l'autre bors du lac'*. The building was raised, put on skidders, and with enough horses huffing and puffing, and hundreds of gaping onlookers cheering them on, was dragged up Cleveland Road and south onto Main to within a few hundred yards of its initial site. The building had found its niche in the *'center of St. Agatha's commercial district.'*

By the time Gary graduated from Wisdom High School, he had already logged thousands of hours in the family business. His siblings, Bob, Dana, and John had shone interest in other ventures away from the meat counter. But Gary continued working in his dad's store until, in 1997, he and his wife, Sandra, purchased the business. A year later, they added to the pizza ovens, offering a more varied menu. Thus Sandra's Kitchen. Their daughter, Crystal, now pursuing a career in California, also spent countless hours as a youngster manning the ovens.




Sandra, at the 40th Anniversary Cookout

BABIN'S has three full time employees, Dick Michaud, Carol Deprey, and Brenda Boucher. And they reflect the policy and service that their employer commands. Gary also has three part-time student employees. And to hear the members of his staff tell it, they prefer that, at least on cold winter nights, Gary, the owner, be in the store. And the reason for that goes back to a cold Thursday night back in February of 2005. Gary was munching on a slice of pizza in Sandra's Kitchen around 7:30, while Carol was busy tidying things up around the cash counter. Suddenly the door flew open. A cold blast of air carried a masked six-footer, weighing about 175 lbs wielding a menacing lumberjack's ax over his head yelling "give me the money, give me the money, give me what's in the cash, right now."

Gary gulped his pizza and in a flash popped from behind the aspirin-band-aid-light bulb aisle and in a calm but commanding tone of voice uttered, " No way, no way. Get out of here." And the masked armed robber spun on his heels, lowered the ax and bolted out of the store. Just as everybody without an ax to grind is more than welcome at BABIN'S, this particular ax wielding sort is not.

Thinking about the future, Gary muses about what he wants to do in his retirement...somewhere down the road. "I love the game of golf," and with a mischievous glint in his eye, Gary casually suggests that when the time comes, "I'll turn pro and go on the tour." His dedication to his customers and his sense of humor rank high why BABIN'S is a wonderful asset to St. Agatha's 'center of commerce'.


By Paul Marin



Gary Babin's Groceries & Meats

& Sandra's Kitchen

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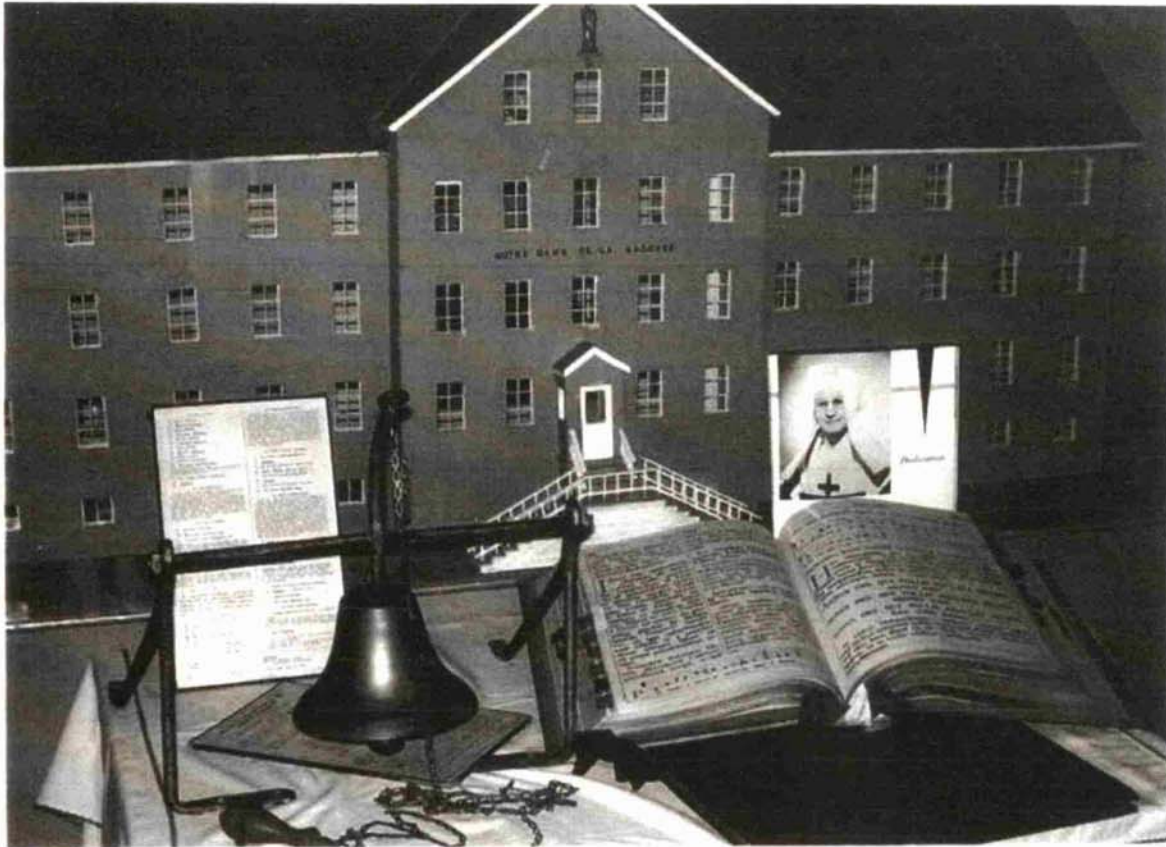
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The Chapel Bell

Ste-Agathe's Notre Dame de la Sagesse Convent

In 1968, when the convent was demolished, Sister Christine Doucette saved the chapel bell and gave it to her niece, Bernadette Doucette Meunier, in Ellington, Connecticut. Thirty-seven years later the "chapel bell" finds its way back to St. Agatha. The chapel bell was hung near the middle door going into the convent chapel. It alerted the Sisters and the boarders that it was time for Mass or other gatherings in the chapel.

Donated to the Ste-Agathe Historical Society by
Bernadette Doucette Meunier Class of '61 June 3, 2005

In this photo, the chapel bell is in front of the convent replica built by Gerald Dubois. Also donated by Bernadette Meunier were Mass Prayer Boards in Latin and Mass Prayer Books in Latin. The photo of Sr. Christine Doucette is behind the prayer book.

In Memoriam



*Fernand 'Joe' Sirois
died June 20, 2005
at the age of 79.*

Fernand Sirois was born March 19, 1926, in St. Agatha, Maine, the son of Maxime and Marie Ann Fraser Sirois. He retired from Fraser Paper and was a Board Member of the Ste-Agathe Historical Society, Director of the St. Agatha Housing, member of the American Legion Post 145 of Frenchville, a member of the St. Agatha Catholic Church choir and altar server and a member of the St. Agatha Senior Citizen Club. Fernand was married to Albertine Chasse for 56 years. They had four sons, Ronald, Robert, Paul, and Allen, and six daughters, Francoise, Lorraine, Arlene, Rella, Ginette, Stella, 19 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. The following excerpt comes from a piece Lorraine Sirois Theriault wrote for Father's Day in 2000.

"Growing up in a large family kids usually fight - we knew better for my Dad taught us about love - a great gift my Dad showed us. Love one another - for you don't know what tomorrow may bring. Always in good spirit, never heard an argument - not a bad word about anyone. Never giving up, always ready to help anyone in need, My Dad - My Hero, My strength, My rock, My reason for being me. Watching and learning from the best."

Fernand will be missed by this community and the historical society because he had the ability to affect everyone he met by making them feel important and valued.

Deceased Ste-Agathe Historical Society Board Members

Clarence Michaud	1988	Sr. Lily Martin	1993
Jack Michaud	1995	Reid Chamberland	1998
Rosaire Michaud	2002	Louis Labrie	2004
Blanche Collin	2005	Fernand Sirois	2005

John Romeo Marquis

It was John Romeo Marquis Recognition Day at the Ste-Agathe Historical Society Preservation Center on Sunday, July 10th. Benjamin Franklin wrote: "If you would not be forgotten as soon as you are dead, either write things worth reading or do things worth writing." John Marquis did both of these things. He wrote many things worth reading, and he did many things worth writing about. The Society has been very fortunate to have such a friend and benefactor. Though he never lived in St. Agatha, he truly felt connected to this place. During his visits in the 1980's he would meet with Jack Michaud while he was president of the Ste-Agathe Historical Society. Later he would meet with David Raymond and share information on Maine men in the military. At that time he gave the Ste-Agathe Historical Society numerous research volumes he had worked on. Later Marquis would meet with Terry Ouellette, the current president of the Ste-Agathe Historical Society. He was instrumental in supporting the Society in whatever project they had going on. During the winter of 2002, when the Preservation Center was just an idea roaming around the meeting table, Marquis sent the society a \$5,000.00 check. This got the Board of Directors motivated to write a letter to everyone they knew with a St. Agatha connection. This fund raising campaign made the present day Preservation Center possible.

John Romeo Marquis was born in 1918 in Frenchville, the 8th of eleven children, of Paul and Delina Martin Marquis. In 1924 the family moved to Stockholm. At 17, John joined the Civilian Conservation Corps and helped build the Acadia National Park. From 1941 to 1961 he served in the U.S. Air Force. After retiring from the military, he took on a second career at Pratt & Whitney Aircraft. He was always involved in preserving our history and worked on many projects devoted to keeping our story alive. He died January 3 of this year. To honor John, the Society planted a maple tree in his memory and unveiled the marker during the Recognition Day ceremonies. In his writings about the Descendants of Pioneers of North America, Descendants of French Pioneers of North America, and Descendants of Unique Americans, John wrote "It is a fortunate human being who, early in life, generates an awareness that, at birth, God offered a challenge for his or her longevity. And if that challenge is accepted, that human being, then, is blessed with divine guidance." On hand for the recognition day activities included Town Selectwoman Diane Castonguay, Ste-Agathe Historical Society Board Members, relatives and friends. Music was provided by Rosanna Gendreau of Madawaska.



December 11, 2001 - Newport Rhode Island
World War II Veterans Homer G. Lantieri and John R. Marquis



Pictured in photo during the tree dedication ceremony: holding the American flag is Ste-Agathe Historical Society member Stan Albert, Deena Williams and Denise Clavette, both nieces of John Romeo Marquis from Manchester, Ct., Terry Ouellette, President of the Ste-Agathe Historical Society, and holding the Acadian flag, Jean Paul Michaud from Brooklyn, N.Y.

"LE MÉTIER"

In June of 2005, the Society received a donation of "le métier" which belonged to Nicole Vandal. When it was presented to the Society, Nicole Simard Vandal had this to say: "Il me fait plaisir d'offrir à la Maison Historique de Ste-Agathe ce très vieux métier à tisser que j'utilise dans mon petit chalet sur les berges du beau Lac Long. Acceptez mon offrande au nom des "filles à Mémaine." Ma mere portait le nom de Germaine et c'est elle qui nous a donné le gout des métiers d'arts, des bonnes, belle et juste choses."



Three of Germaine Simard's daughters were on hand when Nicole presented the métier. Left to right: Rachel Simard, Lise Sirois, and Nicole Vandal. Missing in photo is Francine Levesque. The loom is operated by Lise whenever she has the opportunity to go weave on throw blankets at the Preservation Center.

Nicole also played "Evangeline" on her flute during the day of her presentation. The display room featured the theme of Evangeline for the summer of '05.



STE-AGATHE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

OCTOBER 2004 TO SEPTEMBER 2005

*In memory of Carmen Albert Levesque, Roland "Bijou" Gagnon, and Leon Plourde,
Class of 1953 St. Agatha High School.*

In memory of Mrs Lillian (Bourgoin) Chasse, Mr. Emile Chasse

In memory of Sister Therese Doucette, D.W.: Stan Albert; Philip Morin.

In memory of Mr. Thomas & Mrs. Edith Albert, Laurette Albert Vaillancourt

*In memory of Mrs. Juliette Michaud: Stan Albert; Florine Michaud; Bill & Cynthia
Michaud Remington.*

*In memory of Mrs. Blanche Collin: Ste-Agathe Historical Directors; Philip Morin;
Florine Michaud; Lucien & Constance Desrosier; Terry Ouellette.*

*In memory of Mr. Fernand Sirois: Ste-Agathe Historical Directors; Florine Michaud;
Terry Ouellette; Rodney & Judy Chamberland; Jeanne Chartier; Philip Morin.*

In memory of Mrs. Patricia (Ouellette) Chasse, Stan Albert

In memory of Mr. Gerard Beaulieu, Lucien & Constance Desrosier

In memory of Mrs. Lillian (Hebert) Brandes, Wayne Brandes

In memory of Mr. Gilbert Morin, Lucien & Constance Desrosier

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMORIAL PROGRAM

A memorial gift to the Ste. Agathe Historical Society becomes a lasting memorial — a gift of knowledge. To know that this tribute to a beloved friend or relative will help others is a source of comfort and inspiration to the many individuals and groups who participate in memorial giving.

Artifacts for the Historical Society collection will be purchased with monies from this fund. A memorial card is sent to the family of the deceased, with the name of the person honored, the amount of the gift and the name of the donor.

DONATED ITEMS

The following items were donated to the Ste-Agathe Historical Society during 2005:

Gerard Morin-----1 religious statue, 1 map and various photos

Gerald & Rose Nadeau-----1 photo

Philip Morin-----various household items, tools and framed pictures

Stan Albert-----various household items, religious statues and pictures
and a step ladder

Fernand & Irma Gagnon Family-----3 books and 6 Wisdom High yearbooks

Sisters of Frenchville----- 1 basin

Leonette St. Onge-----1 framed Nativity scene

Emile Chasse-----15 books

Robert & Patricia Gendreau Bourgoin-----12 volumes of Echoes de la Sagesse and
Histoire de les Bourgoin & Bosse Families

Daughters of Wisdom-----1 typewriter w/stand, various books, D.W. stamp,
Montfort Cross, bell, and personal artifacts from
D.W. Sisters

James & Rita Morin Chamberland-----1 potato seeder

Reginald & Pauline Guerrette-----1 box and EverReady battery

Alfreda Chamberland-----canning jars

Florine Morin Michaud-----various household items, newspaper clippings and
3 stereo systems with cassette tapes

Eddie L Paradis-----1 electric band saw

Warren and Juliette Martin Michaud-----2 photographs

Jean Paul Michaud-----16 books

Candide Chamberland Desrosier-----Collection of books and magazines

Patricia Ouellette-----1 photograph

Sam & Bernadette Chamberland Michaud-----1 framed photograph

DONATED ITEMS

- Marcel Chartier-----2 Holy Communion vestments and a collection of music albums
- Therese Albert-----1 table, rocking chair, various household items and 1 hand hooked rug
- Therese Albert Cyr-----1 postcard
- Ross & Judy Ayotte Paradis-----1 mahogany desk plaque
- Bill & Helen Vaillancourt Melvin-----5 maps and newspapers
- Aurel & Marie Daigle-----1 bank book
- Linda Davenport Picard-----collection of newspaper clippings
- Philip & Hermance Gervais Michaud-----World Book Encyclopedia set
- Bobby & Rachel Ouellette Michaud-----1 dividoir (yarn winder)
- Gerald & Rose Marie Parent Dubois-----1 handmade oak table, sock stretchers, wooden hangers and replica of a log hauler
- Norma Cote Martin-----collection of Notre Dame de la Sagesse 1947 - 1951
- Clifford Gervais-----1 potato barrel with hoist
- Candide Daigle Sedlick-----1 handmade wooden snow scrap and 3 baskets
- Jeannette Guerrette Albert-----2 framed photos, 1 basket, assorted religious artifacts, army medals, 2 pocket knives and 2 books
- Paul Martin-----1 hand plane and 1 scraper
- Little Franciscans of Mary-----1 doll dressed in PFM habit
- Bernice Robinson Morin-----1 mechanized dancer and musician
- Bernice Dubois Vaillancourt-----1 iron
- Gerard & Pauline Plourde Chamberland-----1 framed photograph
- Marlene Lajoie Donahue-----5 copies of Echoes de la Sagesse
- Robert Michaud-----1 cemetery lamp, 1 religious plaque, 1 meat grinder, 2 framed photos and a WW II bayonet

DONATED ITEMS

Arlene Voisine-----1 cribbage board and various newspaper
clippings and posters

Raymond & Kate Daigle Hebert-----2 books

Bernadette Doucette Meunier-----1 Couvent de la Sagesse parlor bell and
4 religious books

Nicole Simard-----1 métier (weaving loom)

Srs. Jackie and Joan Ayotte-----1 anniversary plaque and 3 booklets

Florence Rose Martin-----6 framed Acadian deportation prints,
13 religious missals and 1 photo

Lise Sirois-----1 Acadian music CD

Lawrence & Rena Guerrette Gagnon-----cobbler shop tools

Lewis & Rinette Michaud-----5 Tonka toy trucks

Lorraine Sirois Theriault-----1 memorial plaque

Eva Sirois Levesque-----5 books, 1 set of rosary beads and 1 paperweight
belonging to Sr. Marie Sirois, D.W.

Michelle Doucette-----1 Chamberland Family Reunion 2005 genealogy book

James & Judy Daigle Bouchard-----1 framed photograph

Joe & Julie Plourde Cyr-----1 tournette (yarn winder)

St. Agatha Recreation Department-----12 chairs

Mark Guerrette-----1 set of kitchen cabinets

Patsy Gervais Flynn-----collection of photos

Madeleine Thibeault Dionne-----collection of photos

Rose Poulin.....set of dishes & kitchen items

Philip & Theresa Roy.....buckwheat crib screens, wool rakes, Silverstone radio, blacksmith's
' blower with tongs, highchair, butter churn & creamer

Lucille Chasse Michaud-----Wisdom High School and UMFK yearbooks

KEEPSAKES

The following items can be ordered from the Ste-Agathe Historical Society:

Evangeline - A Tale of Acadie*	\$29.95
Evangeline - Children's Book*	\$19.95
Evangeline CD - Acadian Musical Drama*	\$19.95
Road to Canada by Gary Campbell*	\$12.95
Les Filles de la Sagesse Ste-Agathe, Maine 1904 - 2004	\$30.00
Les Belles Histoire du couvent de Ste-Agathe	\$25.00
Le Centenaire de St. Agatha Maine	\$25.00
History of Ste. Agathe Parish 1889 - 1989	\$10.00
Ste. Agathe Cemetery Records 1889 - 1989	\$10.00
Marriages of Ste. Agathe 1889 - 1989	\$10.00
St. John Valley Souvenir Postcard Book	\$12.00
Genealogist's Handbook for Upper St John Valley Research by G. L. Findlen	\$19.95
As Luck Would Have It by Henry Albert	\$15.95
Year 2006 Calendars	\$ 7.00

*New Items

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House Activities Summer 2005

The Ste-Agathe Historical Society hosted a rug-braiding alumni get together. We'd like to thank Christine and Rebecca Roy for facilitating the event and leading the attendees in an afternoon of fun.

We would also like to acknowledge Françoise Paradis for her help and generosity in allowing us to showcase her extensive "Spirit of Evangeline" exhibit this summer. In addition to the exhibit, Dr. Paradis conducted a workshop for area teachers in an effort to bring the story of Evangeline and the plight of the Acadians to light. She also gave a presentation on the life of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and an overview of his epic poem to an audience of 75 middle school and senior students. Teachers and students alike were impressed and enthused.

Upcoming Project

Year 2005

The Ste-Agathe Historical Society is in the process of collecting favorite old family recipes. Our goal is to publish them in a cookbook and offer the publication for sale. We are looking for recipes that are particular to local families. "*Chez nous, c'est comme ça qu'on faisais des griades pi d'las sauce...*" Any recipes would be welcomed and appreciated. To become part of history, just contact one of our Board members or mail in your favorite family recipe.

Heritage Trail Guides & Volunteers

Pictured at right: Bob Bourgoin, Florine Michaud, Françoise Plourde, Rose Poulin, Lewis Michaud and Donna Boucher. Not included in photo: Rachel Daigle, Pat Morin and Theresa Foster.

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