

The Maine Franco-American Genealogical Society will hold its General Meeting on Saturday, October 13, 2012 at 10 a.m. at Callahan Hall, Lewiston Public Library (200 Lisbon Street), corner of Lisbon and Pine Streets, Lewiston, Maine. Doors open at 9:45 a.m.

Dear MFGS Members,

Our General Meeting is fast approaching and the Board of Directors is happy to announce we have planned what should be an interesting and informative meeting.

As you see below, the nomination committee presents the slate of those running for Office and the Board. Any other nominations should be presented to the Nomination Committee Members listed below to be added to the ballot.

Also, we will be holding the drawing of the winners of our raffle. If you have not bought your tickets, it is not too late. We will also be selling tickets at the General Meeting. Many thanks to all of you for your support of the Society.

Last, but not least, we are happy to have as our speaker Mr. Jean-Guy Poitras of Edmundston, New Brunswick, Canada. He is a prolific publisher of repertoires of the Madawaska County, New Brunswick region. The Society just purchased his books this past year and they are now available for consultation at the MFGS Library. His presentation should be both entertaining and informative and we are pleased Mr. Poitras was able to take the time from his very busy schedule to be with us. His presentation is also open to the public at large.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the General Meeting on 13 October.

Fr. Robert A. Parent
Vice-President and Acting President

The Fall General Meeting is when we elect our Officers and Board of Directors. As of this writing, we have the following candidates running:

President: Norm Angers
 Father Robert Parent

Vice President: Arthur Allard

Treasurer: Lucille Langelier

Recording Secretary: Deborah Roberge

Corresponding Secretary: Susan Beaulieu

Board of Directors: Roger Dufresne
Vote for 2 Jolene Fortier
Richard Gamache

If you are interested in serving the Society as an Officer or Board Member, please contact Roger Dufresne at rdufres@myfairpoint.net so that your name can be added to the ballot. As always, you can also be nominated from the floor at the meeting, prior to the election.

Nomination and Elections Committee,
Roger Dufresne, Arthur Allard and Susan Beaulieu

The drawing of the many prizes of the MFGS Raffle will also take place and it will be the last chance to buy tickets. Proceeds are to go to purchase a new microfilm/fiche reader and supplies for the library. If you need more tickets, contact the MFGS Library at 786-3327, or stop in to pick up more during our Library hours. We wish to thank the many people who donated items for this fund-raising event. Without your help, we would not be able to purchase needed equipment for the Library.



After the meeting and election of Officers, Mr. Jean-Guy Poitras, a well-known genealogist from New Brunswick, Canada will give a presentation on his work in New Brunswick research. His specialty is the Madawaska region. The public is invited to attend the presentation which should begin at about 11 a.m.

The MFGS Research Library located on the second floor at Fortin Group Funeral Home, AUBURN. We will be open after the meeting from 1-4:00 p.m. for those wishing to visit the Library after the meeting. New members are most welcome.