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"Valentine's Day Dinner Winner"

The ticket draw took place on Thurs- During this third wave of Covidday, March 4, 2021 in the presence of 19, the vaccination of the popu-Gilles Bilodeau, president and Louisette Bilodeau, board member, Henri Drapeau and Christine Bilodeau. Louisette drew the lucky ticket. The winner is Mr. Réal Bilodeau, # 508, St-Anselme. The gift card was given to them by Gilles Bilodeau on Monday March 8.



In the photo, Mr. Bilodeau and his wife Nicole Bourget. Mr. Bilodeau is an active member who regularly participates in the activities of the Association des Bilodeau. Prize draw participants had their region.

Thanks to the participants.

"A word from the president"

lation is taking place at high speed. Experts tell us that the vaccine is the best solution. We can already see the light at the



end of the tunnel, moreover, spring is earlier, let's take advantage of the sun and the fresh air.

Thinking about the post-pandemic, to get back to a more normal life is what we all hope for. In the absence of activities and the postponement of the congress, it would be interesting to think about small activities in the summer or in the fall such as: family gatherings outside in small groups such as a picnic or other visits, etc. in compliance with the indications of Public Health.

Congratulations to Réal Bilodeau, it is advantageous to participate and to follow the communications of the Association des Bilodeau.

Let's not forget the GÉNÉA-JEUNESSE competition for young people aged 10 to 35, see the conditions in La Billaudière or on the site www.famillesbilodeau.com. Renewal and recruitment are the basis of our organization.

Do not hesitate to inform your family members of the many services offered by the the chance to win a \$ 100 gift card for a Association des Bilodeau, publications, meal at a restaurant of their choice in genealogies, meetings, family histories, etc.

Good visit.

Gilles Bilodeau, President, Branch II, John to John

They are from Branch II even if their ancestors separate!

	Ancestors of GILLES BILODEAU Paternal line Ancestors of JOCELYNE BILODEAU Paterna	
X	Charles-Émile Bilodeau Marie-Emma Paquet June 25, 1953, Saint-Nicolas	X Victor Bilodeau Jacqueline Laurendeau July 15, 1944, N-D-de-Bon-Secours, Richelieu
IX	Edmond Bilodeau Olivina Côté September 27, 1915, Saint-Agapit, Lotbinière	IX Émile Bilodeau Valéda Faucher May 15, 1898, St-Samuel-de-Gayhurst, Frontenac
VIII	Joseph Bilodeau Marie Deblois January 18, 1886, Sainte-Marguerite de Dorchester	VII Joseph-Pierre Bilodeau Elmire Rouleau July 24, 1866, St-Henri-de-Taillon, Lévis
VII	Ignace Bilodeau Catherine Gosselin November 7, 1837, Saint-Henri de Lauzon	VII Jean-Baptiste Bilodeau Ursule Bégin July 3, 1837, Henri-de-Taillon, Lévis
VI	Ignace Bilodeau Anastasie Lacasse January 22, 1804, Saint-Charles, Bellechasse	VI Ignace Bilodeau Anastasie Lacasse January 22, 1804, St-Charles, Bellechasse
V	Jean-Baptiste Bilodeau Geneviève Roberge May 1, 1764, Saint-Charles, Bellechasse	V Jean-Baptiste Bilodeau Geneviève Roberge May 1, 1764, Saint-Charles, Bellechasse
IV	Jean-Baptiste Bilodeau Marie Turgeon November 19, 1716, Saint-Étienne de Beaumont, Bellechasse	IV Jean-Baptiste Bilodeau Marie Turgeon November 19, 1716, , Saint-Étienne de Beaumont, Bellechasse
III	Jean Bilodeau Marie Marguerite Jahan November 20, 1684, Sainte-Famille, Ile d'Orléans	III Jean Bilodeau Marie Marguerite Jahan November 20, 1684, Ste-Famille, Ile d'Orléans
II	Jacques Billaudeau Geneviève Longchamps October 28, 1654, Notre-Dame, Quebec	II Jacques Billaudeau Geneviève Longchamp October 28, 1654, Notre-Dame, Quebec
I	Pierre Billaudeau Jeanne Fleurie Bishopric of Poitier, France	Pierre Billaudeau Jeanne Fleury Bishopric of Poitier, France

What branch yours?

First, here is a little explanation of the meaning of these "Branches" in the presentation of our Bilodeau genealogy:

The idea is to present in a more concrete way the relationship that each Bilodeau has with the other Bilodeau on the Bilodeau family tree. For this, we took as a starting point the three sons of the ancestor Jacques who had children, namely Jean, Antoine and Simon.

Then, we assigned the five children of John who had descendants a branch, each branch being numbered from I to V and we combine with the child's first name. Example: Branch I, Marie-Anne à Jean. Then we did the same with the eight children of Antoine, branches VI to XIII, as well as the five children of Simon, branches XIV to XVIII. By this system, we want to include all the descendants of Jacques and Geneviève without distinction.

Several members have researched their ancestors or listed family members with dates of birth. I invite you to find the common ancestor with another Bilodeau, is it branch I, II, III, IV or the branch of Edmond, Joseph, Ignace, John the Baptist, John?

The custom of our ancestors, «The spring cleaning»

After the festivities which inevitably accompanied the period of `` sugar " and that of Easter, followed a time of labor which allowed our ancestors to rid their large house of its winter finery and prepare it for the imminent return of the summer.

This operation was the spring cleaning. To trigger it, our ancestors watched for the warning signs of heat; the return of the crows, the breaking up of the rivers, the melting of the snow... As soon as the warming weather made it possible to open the doors and windows, and even to turn off the heating, people set to work. ... The women concentrated their efforts in the house. Since the clothes used during the winter were no longer needed, they first tackled the storage of the "winter linen". It was a big deal, especially considering that at the time families had more than a dozen children. After sorting and folding the clothes, they put everything back in cedar chests. They even interposed cedar branches to protect them from moths.



Then they removed the warm woolen blankets from the beds and replaced them with lighter ones. They took out the mattresses and beat them vigorously to cool them. They rolled the whole battery in "widths" that spanned the floors of the house all over the place. Then they tackled the chore of washing. Everything went there. Floors, ceilings, walls, windows, etc. Armed with their tea towels and their tub of hot, soapy water, our Quebec housewives erased in three or four days the traces left by five or six months of heating and cooking.



The operation also included the reopening of the summer kitchen, we will remember that this small room adjoining the house was closed during the winter because it was poorly insulated.

While the women dusted, the men busied themselves outside. They were seen dismantling the "drums" that protected the front door. They removed the double windows, stripped down the "foundations" a bit, rolled up the winter fences, loosened the mulch from the trees. They handed over the winter cars and spent part of their time dismantling, repairing and storing all that gear in the stable.... and do other outdoor work.

Symbolically, the big cleaning was perhaps a way for our ancestors to put an end to the long Quebec winter.

(Article extracted The customs of our ancestors, Yvon Desautels, from Vidéo-Presse, vol. XI, no 8, April 1982, page 41)

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