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## MESSAGE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

By Carol Doucet

As the 1999 Doucet reunion which was held as part of Congrès Mondial Acadien in Opelousas, Louisiana came to a close, Doucet cousins were already talking about and making plans for CMA 2004 in Nova Scotia.

In just a few weeks, the opening ceremonies of the third Congrès Mondial Acadien will take place in Pointe-de-l'Église (Church Point), Nova Scotia on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

The Doucet/Doucette reunion will follow immediately, on Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. We've also planned a special get-together for LDDM members to have a meal and get to know one another just before the big reunion.

In September, those of us from Louisiana will have the opportunity to attend a genealogy day in Rayne.

AS OF JULY 1, 2004, THERE ARE **31 DAYS** LEFT UNTIL THE DOUCET/DOUCETTE REUNION IN CHURCH POINT, NOVA SCOTIA ON AUGUST 1-2, 2004

## WELCOME!

### NEW MEMBER OF INTERNATIONAL BOARD

Lucian (Lou) Doucet was appointed on June 30<sup>th</sup> to the International Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Fred Union.

Lou has experience in creating web sites and is already hard at work helping to make our Doucet family web site more attractive and user friendly. We hope to have our web site with a new look available to users in the near future.

We extend a warm welcome to Lou and many thanks to Fred for his service to LDDM.

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## WEB SITE

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<http://www.doucetfamily.org>

## LDDM GET-TOGETHER IN DIGBY, NOVA SCOTIA

LDDM members and their families are invited to a get-together at Fundy's Restaurant (34 Water Street) on Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup>. We will meet at 1:00 p.m. to enjoy a meal together and to get to know one another before the big reunion. The menu and prices can be found at the Fundy's website: [www.fundyrestaurant.com](http://www.fundyrestaurant.com). The lunch-eon and dinner menus will be available to us.

If you have not already let us know that you plan to attend the get-together, please respond to Carol Doucet so that your message arrives no later than July 19<sup>th</sup> (see contact information on Page 1).

## CONGRÈS MONDIAL ACADIEN 2004

## AND ACADIE 400

This Acadian World Congress will include a varied list of activities. Besides the numerous family reunions, opening ceremonies, mitan celebration, and closing ceremonies, there will be hundreds of cultural activities and academic conferences. For a complete listing of events, see the following web sites: [www.cma2004.com](http://www.cma2004.com), [www.groutyme2004.com](http://www.groutyme2004.com), [www.novascotia.com/tallships](http://www.novascotia.com/tallships) and [www.cbc.ca/tallships2004](http://www.cbc.ca/tallships2004).

For activities celebrating the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Acadia, see this web site: [www.acadie400.com](http://www.acadie400.com). You will find 95 pages of activities which will take place in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, Labrador, Quebec, France, etc. [www.groutyme2004.com](http://www.groutyme2004.com), [www.novascotia.com/tallships](http://www.novascotia.com/tallships) and [www.cbc.ca/tallships2004](http://www.cbc.ca/tallships2004).

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## DOUCET/DOUCETTE 2004 REUNION

Les Doucet du Monde will have a booth at the Doucet/Doucette 2004 reunion in Church Point, Nova Scotia. Our new LDDM T-shirts will also be on sale and we will have photographic displays, genealogy material and literature promoting LDDM.

The most recently available schedule of activities for the reunion follows. Please note the change! Activities begin on Sunday evening, August 1<sup>st</sup>.

### August 1, 2004

- 6:00pm to 7:00pm Registration at the University Sainte-Anne gym
- 7:00pm to 8:00pm Conference: "Where Did The Acadians Go Around 1755 and Where Did They Settle In Quebec And Louisiana?" in the University Sainte-Anne gym presented by [Marielle Bourgeois](#)
- 8:00pm to 9:00pm Wine and cheese, Musical concert "A taste of Acadie" by Jeanne Doucet Currie

### August 2, 2000

- 8:30am to 4:00pm Display: Capitain Pierre Doucet's ship log, Centre Acadien located on the second floor of the Library (Bibliothèque)
- 9:00am Registration, Arts and Crafts kios including kios of Doucets who have products to sell; the Centre Acadien will be selling genealogical information on the Doucets

- 11:00am Official opening of the reunion followed by Mass in the magnificent Church Sainte-Marie, the tallest church constructed of wood in North America. Mass will be celebrated by Father Daniel Doucet; music will be by Chante Ensemble.
- 12:15pm to 2:15pm Dinner: BBQ pork, workshop on how to prepare rapûre, a very popular acadian dish in l'amphithéâtre 34B (must register - only 90 places for workshop)
- 12:00pm to 2:00pm Swimming: adults, University pool
- 1:00pm to 2:00pm Swimming: parents and children
- 2:30pm to 3:30pm Conference: Les Doucet dans l'Acadie ancienne (conference in English) presented by [Stephen White](#), genealogist from the Université de Moncton.
- 2:00pm : 3:30pm Games and activities for children 5 to 14 years old, organized by the Département des Loisirs de Clare
- 4:00pm to 4:30pm Dance concert by the group: [La Baie en Joie](#)
- 4:30pm Bar at the Château
- 5:30pm Buffet Acadien dishes
- 5:30pm to 7:00pm Swimming: adult
- 7:00pm to 10:00pm Closing ceremonies followed by a musical evening. Note this may be followed by a campfire.

## TALL SHIPS – GROU TYME

Grou Tyme, which literally means a big party, is joining Tall Ships Challenge 2004 for an extraordinary celebration of l'Acadia from July 29 to August on the Halifax waterfront.

Grou Tyme will bring together an unforgettable line up of artists from France, Louisiana, Quebec, Ontario and Acadie. The full line up of entertainers and schedule of events is available at [www.grouTYME.com](http://www.grouTYME.com).

About 40 tall ships will begin arriving in Halifax Harbor on July 29. They will take part in Tall Ships Challenge 2004 on August 2, an extraordinary celebration of l'Acadie. This will be the only time that all the ships can be seen together.

After they leave Halifax, individual ships or smaller groups can be seen in several other Nova Scotia ports throughout Congrès Mondial Acadien.

For details of the Tall Ships Challenge 2004, check these web sites: [www.novascotia.com/tallships](http://www.novascotia.com/tallships) and [www.cbc.ca/tallships2004](http://www.cbc.ca/tallships2004).

## DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2004!

SEND YOUR \$15.00 CHECK (US FUNDS) AND RENEWAL FORM TO

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WE HAVE MEMBERS FROM ALL OVER THE US AND CANADA AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE FOLLOWING LIST:

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ARIZONA	NEW HAMPSHIRE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	NEWFOUNDLAND
CALIFORNIA	NOVA SCOTIA
CONNECTICUT	ONTARIO
FLORIDA	QUEBEC
LOUISIANA	TEXAS
MAINE	WISCONSIN
MASSACHUSETTS	



## LOUISIANA CHAPTER NEWS

### GENEALOGY DAY – SEPTEMBER 25 – RAYNE, LA



The Pointe de l'Église: Acadia Genealogical & Historical Society is sponsoring a genealogy day on Saturday, September 25, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Rayne Civic Center. General admission is \$5.00. The organization plans to have a vendor available who will have sandwiches and soft drinks for sale.

LDDM will have a booth to display genealogical information and promotional materials about LDDM. Visitors will also be able to purchase T-shirts with our LDDM logo.

Bring your family charts and join us in Rayne.

#### GENEALOGY QUERIES

We would like to have as a regular feature in each newsletter a section for members to submit genealogy queries. If you have reach a "brick wall" in your research and would like to seek help from other members, submit your query, including as much information as possible. Include your name, address, E-mail address (and phone number, if you wish). We will publish it and ask members to reply to you. Please advise our web master Dean Doucet (see contact info on page 1) of any information you receive so it can be added to the Miscellaneous Section of the Genealogy Section on our web site.