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Maux du président

Eh oui! comme bien des humains, on a chacun nos préoccupations. Il est sûr que les informations sur les lignées des Matte progressent, que la page d'accueil du site se modifie aux 15 jours et l'entête de la page Facebook à tous les mois, que les visages des Matte, dont c'est la fête, est soulignée sur Facebook à tous les jours et le bulletin publié aux six mois. Ce sont tous des faits qui font de notre Association un organisme en action.



Il reste que la quantité de membres ne permet pas au site de se financer sans l'apport des dons gouvernementaux. Chacun d'entre vous qui en parlez, permettrons sûrement de grossir notre membership et d'attendre cet objectif.

**J'espère vous voir en grand nombre à notre 8e Rassemblement
le 19 août à Ottawa.**

Merci d'être là, de continuer à nous encourager et à nous aider.

Mattement vôtre !

President's Mood

Yes! Like many humans, we each have our concerns. It is certain that the information on the lineages of the Matte progresses, that the home page of the site changes to the 15 days and the header of the Facebook page every month, that the faces of the Matte whose feast is celebrated is underlined on Facebook every day, the bulletin published every six months. These are all facts that make our Association a active organism.

The fact remains that the number of members does not allow the site to finance itself without the contribution of government donations. Each of you who talk about it, will surely allow us to grow our membership and wait for this goal.

I hope to see many of you at our 8th Gathering on August 19 in Ottawa.

Thank you for being here, for continuing to encourage and help us.

Childhood memory

Very young and by pure happiness, I developed a great interest in this science that brings us together today.

Aunt Évelyne, my father's sister, always eager to know everything, read and cut out chronicles on the Matte families which appeared in a periodical newspaper in Grand Portneuf. She accumulated the clippings she collected during each publication.

We visited her frequently and I was fascinated to hear her read this valuable information to my parents. I assimilated all these references while the youngest had fun on the floor. This is how I developed an ever-growing interest in the life of our ancestors.

I was then the oldest of grandfather Matte's grandchildren. Fortunately, it was to me that they entrusted, much later as an inheritance, all the compilations that had been accumulated.

This is how I was able to find my title of ancestry and, by the same token, inform in my turn those of my many cousins eager to know everything.

Now I am happy to be a member of our beautiful Matte Families Association of America. Thanks to her, we learned about the history of the Rivière à Matte, prominently located along Highway 40. In addition, the beautiful name of our family is proudly displayed on the main road in Neuville.

In addition, we had the chance to set foot on the very ground where our ancestor Nicolas lived with his family. It is impressive to think that he cultivated this beautiful land in Neuville along the great St. Lawrence River.

It is to this aunt that I now owe the happiness of being passionate about genealogy!

Diane Matte

Known Mattes

The Mattes are part of history, of which...

Sébastien Matte La Faveur ([1626](#)–[1714](#))

Seventeenth-century French chemist and pharmacist from Montpellier. Son of a master glassmaker from the Haute-Ardèche, he developed his activities as an autodidact, and aroused the jealousy of the apothecaries of Montpellier, who sued him for competition, which he ended up winning. In 1671, he published a work entitled "Practice of Chemistry". His discovery of styptic water and other important research earned him the place of chemistry demonstrator at the Faculty of Medicine of Montpellier, a place which was created for him in 1675. He had three children including two sons: Jean, 1 eldest, then Jacques and Jeanne, two twins. He transmitted to his children the taste of perfumes.

Inventor of a lavender distillate, "the water of the Queen of Hungary", much appreciated in all the courts of Europe, he became the private pharmacist of King Louis XIV, alongside the doctor Antoine Daquin, and received the privilege to teach chemistry at the Sorbonne and the University of Montpellier. He thus took two courses a year, one in Montpellier, the other in the capital until 1684. He then resigned from his position in Paris, where he was replaced by Nicolas Lémery. Intendant of the chair of chemistry at the Jardin du Roi from 1680 to 1684, he was ennobled by Louis XIV, who extended his surname from Matte to "Matte La Faveur".

A few Mattes took part as North Americans (Canadians, Americans) as Confederate Union soldiers, including the Revolutionary War.

Jean-Baptiste Matte was at Fort Duquesne (now known as Pittsburg, Pennsylvania) in 1756. He is said to have fought against Daniel Boone.

One of their descendants, Pierre Matte, born in Les Écureuils, Quebec on February 7, 1774, distinguished himself as a captain in the War of 1812.

Actors/musicians of French-Canadian ancestry

By: Jeannine Matte-Richardson

In addition to celebrities such as Chloe Sevigny, Avril Lavigne, Alanis Morrissette, Angelina Jolie, Madonna, Camilla Bowes, Kate Middleton and Beyonce, there are several others who share our French-Canadian ancestry. I created this chart so you can see if you have any famous cousins.

Actor/Singer French Canadian Ancestors

Dan Aykroyd: Gougeon, Lacroix

Alec Baldwin: Martineau

Adrienne Barbeau: Bertrand, Leduc, Maillet, Deveau

Jim Carey: (Carré) Carré, Bélanger, Charbonneau, Jolly, Labelle, Larivière, Clément, Sauvé, LaTulippe

Ellen Degeneres: Martin, Bossie, Nathan, Fillion, Bérubé, Jalbert, Michaud, Caron, Ducharme, Laroche, Lebel

Jack Kerouac: Thériault, Lévesque, Malenfant, Destroismaison, Picard, Bernier, Guimond, Tardif

Jane Krakowski: Benoît, Bernard

Matt LeBlanc: Cormier, Ouellet, Melanson

Liza Minelli: LeBeau, Cadieux, Groulx

Matthew Perry: Coupel, Bérangère, Layeux, Dallaire

Mark Ruffalo: Hébert

Mark Wahlberg: Brisebois, Delameter, Séguin, Demers, Paquet, Dubois, Voidy, Cadieux

Tales of the Old West

By: Jeannine Matte-Richardson

The Mattes who left for the American West were all descendants of Nicolas Matte and Madeleine Auvray. They had wealth and adventure in mind. Following in the footsteps of their ancestors Nicolas, his son Léonard and his great-grandson Jérémie, it was Joseph Matte, Cyprien Matte and Louis Matte who took advantage of being employed in the fur trade to pay for their passage to the West where they hope to build a life of their own. Joseph and Louis may have been brothers or cousins as they seem to have traveled and lived in the same places; however Cyprien Matte was a distant cousin.

Joseph and Louis Mat

Joseph Matte heads for the California Gold Rush in 1849, as he is found at the birth of his first child. He married Henriette Biscornet then settled in Gervais, Oregon where he farmed and ran a hotel.

Louis Matt was said to be a man of stature. He was married to Thérèse Gendron and was a blacksmith at Fort Belknap. They were the parents of Alex and Jean Baptiste, who worked in the forge and were also employed as Indian scouts involved in the capture of Chief Joseph.

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Louis and Joseph were men they called "stampeder" (someone who followed a stampede for a gold rush).

Cyprien Matte

Cyprien Matte was described as "a remarkable character of the plains and mountains" and one of 15 white men in what is now Fort Union located in Blaine County, Montana when he was introduced to A.J. Noyes in 1865 The Slippery Ann Lookout at the Charles M Russell Wildlife Reserve bears the name of Cyprien because it is located on what was his land.

The Murder of Benoit Seven Pipes

Date: 06 July 1889 (54-63) Location: Matt family home, Arlee, Missoula County, Montana Territory, USA.

(Shot by Baptiste Matt - said by court to have been killed in self-defence.)

Benoit Seven Pipes also known as "Old Beneway" was born around 1803 in Quebec. According to those who knew Old Beneway, he was known as a bad character with a quarrelsome temper.

Benoit Seven Pipes was married to Mary (Blue-Eyed Mary) "Chappa" Tellier. She was the daughter of Louis Tellier and Francisca Kuiltpi.

Of the Montana Flathead Reservation and its outlaws, four of whom were hanged in Missoula on December 19, 1890. David C. "Chalk" Courchane, 2014.

http://www.oregonpioneers.com/FourHangings_Missoula.pdf

Witnesses who did not show up Wednesday arrived Thursday, and around 3 p.m., the Territory's case against Joe Finley and Baptiste Matt was called before Probate Judge Landers. The men were charged with killing Benoit, aka Seven Pipes, on July 6, details of which appeared in the Morning Missoulian.

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The first witness called was Alex Matt. He said that on the day of the murder, Seven Pipes came drunk. He went to Matt's house and threatened to kill Matt and his son; claiming that they (the Matts) were outnumbered with white people and that he (Seven Pipes) was going to do a cleanup and clear the place of those he didn't like. He assaulted Alex Matt, who was suffering from rheumatism, and hit him with a club. Matt tried to raise his weapon but couldn't, due to his weak condition. Joe Finley had the gun and was trying to get away from Seven Pipes. Alex Matt called his brother Baptiste Matt to help him and not get killed.

Joe Finley was bludgeoned and stoned by Seven Pipes and opened fire on his attacker.



Alex Matt standing next to a stream in Evaro Monta-

Seven Pipes ran and, about 150 yards away, Baptiste Matt shot him, obviously with the intention of scaring him.

Alex Matt's testimony was corroborated by Pierre Finley and others. Harry Lambert testified to Seven Pipes' general bad character to his quarrelsome disposition.

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Webster County District Attorney appeared for the prosecution and F.G. Higgins for the defense. After the argument, the court dismissed the men on the grounds that it had been conclusively shown that the murder was committed in self-defense. From "The Weekly Missoulian", July 17, 1889, p4, c5.

The Matt brothers, Alexander Matt (1852-1922) and Jean Baptiste Matt (1849-1919) were the sons of Louis Matt, Sr. and Theresa "Killed-in-the-Lodge" Gendron. Alex married Susan (Predum) Prudhomme then Susan Finley. Baptiste married Mary Therese Finley, daughter of Dominick and Mary Madeline Finley.

Died during a hunting trip

Baptiste Matt, an elderly and respected citizen of Flathead, died last Saturday while on a hunting trip with friends in Swan River country. Mr. Matt, who is known to all Lower Flathead elders, had been a resident of Ronan for some years. He hadn't been feeling well for a month, but for the sake of his health he was invited last week by some of his friends to go hunting in the Swan River Country. At their camp on Saturday Mr Matt took a bucket and brought water from a nearby spring and just as he put the bucket down he fell dead to the ground. His friends immediately went home with the body and were supposed to reach Ronan yesterday. From The Flathead Courier, Thursday, October 16, 1919, page 1.

... A little history...

The memorable farm of ancestor Nicolas Matte was nearly 150 years old, which gave it historical value: lot 13 on the cadastre of the municipality of Cap-Santé, Quebec in 1878. Until 1871, four generations of Matte followed one another on the land that the lord of Neuville had granted in 1724 to Nicolas Matte:

- ⇒ Nicolas, married to Rose Godin in November 1727;
- ⇒ Joseph, first married to Marianne Germain in November 1766 and secondly to Marie Joseph Doré in January 1774;

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Cédule du 19 août

9:00 Autobus départ de l'hôtel et tour de la ville



10:30 Visite du Musée d'histoire



12:30 Lunch au Marché By

14:30 Croisière sur le canal

Retour à l'hôtel

18 : 30 Nouvelle

19:00 Souper et conférences

August 19 Schedule

9:00 Bus Departure from Hotel and city tour

10:30 Visit to the History Museum



12:30 Lunch at the ByWard Market

14:30 Canal cruise

Return to the hotel 18:30 New

19:00 Dinner and conferences

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Visite guidée de la ville,
tour en bateau, visite
Musée Canadien de
l'Histoire, rencontre
Société de généalogie de
l'Outaouais, réception,
souper + conférences.

Guided tour of the city,
boat tour, visit Canadian
Museum of History,
meeting Outaouais
Genealogy Society,
dinner, reception +
conferences.

Coût : 125 \$ personne (13 ans et plus) avant le 5 août/person before august 5.

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