

# PRITCHARD NEWS

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## CEMETERY CLEANUP

### *Report for 2005*

As it is each and every year the cemetery cleanup was held on the last Saturday in May in Alcove, Quebec. Despite the fact we were competing with an auction being held in Alcove the turnout was good and lots of work was done. In addition to the usual weeding and cleaning up of brush some work was done to repair a number of the damaged tombstones. Several stones that had fallen over through the years we re-erected and when necessary glued back into place. Also for the first time in years stones were clean so that once again inscriptions could be read!

### *2006 Invitation*

As always anyone who wishes to come out and help please do so. It is an enjoyable morning and the work isn't really that hard. And if you've never been, the cemetery it is a neat place. The cleanup is the Saturday following the May long weekend.



From the 2005 reunion at the Homestead of James and Judith Pritchard in Alcove, Quebec, the youngest attendee Eden Dillabaugh (11 months) with our oldest attendee Wyn Kalbfleisch (94 years) Thanks to Judy Picard for the photo.

## 2005 REUNION

The 2005 Reunion was held at the Homestead of James and Judith Pritchard in Alcove, Quebec. Thanks to the Thompson family for hosting the Reunion. Turn out was good and as always the weather was quite nice. As a special treat for those interested in family history the Thompson family made available some of the original Pritchard family photo albums. If any of you have seen the green Pritchard Book several of the original photographs of James and Judith included in that book were among those in the albums. The regular business meeting was held and no changes will be made in the executive for this year. After the business meeting some family members took advantage of the nearby Gatineau River to go for a quick swim. *Continued ...*

## 2006 REUNION

This years Pritchard family reunion will be held on July, 9th at the home of Ruggles and Marika Pritchard in Greely, Ontario. As usual the picnic will start at 12.00 noon.

### **Directions:**

*1598 Lakeshore Drive  
Lakeland Estates,  
Osgoode, Ontario  
(613) 821-4160*

1. Follow Albion Rd past the Rideau Carleton Casion/Slots to end and turn right on Mitch Owen's Rd.
2. After a short drive (0.4 kms) turn left (south) onto Stagecoach Rd.
3. Travel south on Stagecoach about 1 ¼ miles, Lakeshore is on the left (there is a sign for Lakeland Estates) the Pritchard home is on the right.

## WEATHER

As always the weather will be sunny and warm.



## EDITORIAL

2006 is my fifth year of writing the newsletter. My apologies that it is arriving rather late this year as I've had a very busy spring. The newsletter serves as an invitation for the annual reunion, but of course only those living in and around Ottawa-Gatineau can normally attend. Luckily, it seems that every year we have a few visitors come from further away, which is always nice, but understandably many who receive the newsletter cannot attend on a regular basis. This year the photo on the front shows my daughter Eden who was the youngest person at last years reunion with Wyn Kalbfleisch. I felt a bit guilty putting Eden in there, because I don't want the newsletter to be about me and my family – its really meant for all descendents of James and Judith Pritchard (However, in the end I couldn't resist, and it was one of the few pictures I had), including those who can't attend the reunion regularly.

I would like to invite anyone who has any information or story that you think might be of interest to the family as a whole please feel free to contact me and I would be glad to have a Family News section. Items might include births or deaths, or special accomplishments of a family member that you feel might be of interest to the extended family! I try to keep the newsletter to 2 pages, but I will do my best to fit in anything I am sent.

Finally, every year a few family members pass away, or ask that they no longer receive the newsletter. If you know of anyone who would like get a copy please contact me and I would be happy to add their names to the list.

Sincerely, Craig Dillabaugh (Family Secretary)

You may contact me at (819) 827-8215 or by email at [cdillaba@connect.carleton.ca](mailto:cdillaba@connect.carleton.ca) or my mother Sondra Dillabaugh (613) 821-2721, or Victor Dillabaugh ([vic.dillabaugh@ottawa.ca](mailto:vic.dillabaugh@ottawa.ca)) if you have any information for the newsletter. If you want to be really sure that your information is remembered you may want to contact all three :o)

## 2005 REUNION *(continued)*

Attendance was good for the 2005 reunion, and we had several visitors from far afield, including Judy Rhodes (Pritchard) from Wayland, Maryland and Evelyn Ashbrook (Irwin) from Temple, Texas, Keith Lachance and Gail Macdonell from Vancouver, British Columbia, and Marv Irwin from Lagauna Beach, California. Thank you all for making the long trip, we enjoyed your company!

## FAMILY NEWS

### Deaths

Russell Pritchard husband of Marjorie Johnson, of Alcove, Quebec passed away August 2005.  
Ruth Pritchard (nee Johnson) also of Alcove, wife of the late Ronald Pritchard passed away October 2005.  
David Quartermann, husband of Marilyn Pritchard passed away in April, 2006.

### Births

Ronin Lukas Easey, born March, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2005 to Mathew and Heidi Easey (first Grandchild for Robin and Glennis Easey).

I am sure there have been others that I have missed, but these are those that I know of. If you have information that you would like to have included in future years, please contact me.

## PRITCHARD FAMILY WEBSITE

For those interested in family history please feel free to visit the family website at:  
<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~pritchards/>