
PRITCHARD NEWS

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This year's newsletter is going to be a little less fancy than most years. Unfortunately it has been an exceptionally busy spring for your newsletter editor. I hope to have next spring's newsletter up to the higher standard!

The 2013 Reunion

The 2013 reunion is on the move! It is moving all the way from its 2012 location, at the home of Werner and Barbara Layer, next door, to the Pritchard Homestead. The 2013 reunion will be held at the Homestead in Alcove on **Sunday, July 14th**.

Directions: Take Highway 5 North from Gatineau to the end, turn left at lights and travel north to Wakefield. Follow signs to Highway 105 North toward Maniwaki. Alcove is on highway 105 about 4 or 5 km north of Wakefield, but watch carefully or you could miss it. Just after you see the Alcove sign watch for an exit on the right (just as the highway narrows from 3 to 2 lanes), this is River Road, exit here. The Homestead residence is located about 250 meters up River Road. If you miss the turn off onto River Road you will round a corner and come to an intersection with a Petro Canada station on the left. If you make a right turn at this intersection and go to the end of the road you will come to River Road again. Make a right onto River Road and the Homestead is the third home on your right.

The 2012 Reunion

The 2012 reunion was held at the home of Barbara and Werner Layer in Alcove, Quebec. As is so often the case, the weather cooperated nicely and everyone enjoyed a beautiful day along the bank of the Gatineau River.

We didn't have many visitors from far afield this year, but we were glad to welcome a few new faces, in particular the Beriault family

who made the long trek from Kanata, and the Cameron's who came from Fieldville, Quebec.

Our most experienced attendee competition was hotly contested this year with Connie Pritchard at 91 years narrowly beating out Marilyn Fletcher who was 90 1/2. The honour for youngest in attendance went to Vaughn Dillabaugh, who was 4 1/2 years old.

At the business meeting we learned that Tara Pritchard has been named President of the Alcove Community Association. The association, which has been set up in part to help preserve Alcove's heritage has been established in the past year. We will be posting more information here soon.

Finally, a big thank you to Barbara and Werner Layer for opening their home to us, and to their grandsons Keenan and Ethan Layer. Keenan ran the games for the kids with help from his brother Ethan, even though just a few years ago they were participants. They did a fantastic job.

Cemetery Cleanup

Thanks to everyone who came out to help with the 2012 cleanup. The 2013 cleanup will be held on **Saturday, May 25th** (the Saturday following the Victoria Day long weekend).

Births/Deaths

There were no births, that we know of, this year. If we missed an addition to your family please contact

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Deaths

Rev. Dr. Alton A. Gould (1922 – 2013):
Went home Saturday, January 5, 2013 in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario Canada in his 91st

year. Beloved husband of Phyllis for 64 years. Loved father of Gail Storey (Martin), Robert (Sherry), Sandy Holloway (Denny) and the late Ann. Dear GrandDa of Tracey Storey Ohm (John), Sara Storey Brown (Patrick), Becky Storey Calleja (Vic), John Gould, D.J. Holloway, Ryan Gould and Tarah Holloway. Predeceased by his parents Innis and Minnie Gould and his siblings Ellsworth, Beatty (Dorothy), Donald, Iva Sharpe (late John) and Elwin. Remembered by his nieces and nephews. Al gave his heart to the Lord in 1935 and was lead by the Holy Spirit to enter the Christian ministry being ordained in 1943. He was the youngest ordained minister in Canada of any denomination at the time. Throughout the years he served in a number of pastorates throughout North America. Al had a broad and influential missionary experience over many years. He labored in Hunan Province, China from 1947 to 1949 but was forced out due to the communist invasion. He travelled back to South East Asia where he served from 1954 to 1975 in Hong Kong and the Philippines. When Al retired from active ministry, he continued to serve with Evangelize China Fellowship. A celebration of Al's life will take place at the Arthur Funeral Home & Cremation Centre on the day of his 91st birthday, Saturday, June 1, 2013.

HODGINS, Harold: At the Pembroke Regional Hospital on Friday August 10, 2012 surrounded by the love of his family at the age of 86 years. Harold Hodgins of Pembroke, beloved husband of Willa Hodgins (nee Mainse). Loved father of Edward Hodgins (Wendy), Oshawa, Lorraine Atkinson, Kanata, Allan Hodgins (Judy) and Linda McCumber (Darrell) both of Brighton. Loving grandfather to Lindsay (Andrew) Jonathan, William, Paul, Ryan, Christopher, Carolyn, Joshua, Ashley (Dave) and Kristin and great granddaughter Ryleigh. Dear brother of Dorothy Schultz (late Alfred),

Renfrew and Lloyd Hodgins (Carol), Corunna. Predeceased by his brother Garfield Hodgins. Brother-in-law of Anna Hodgins. Son of the late Wellington and Pearl (nee Edmunds) Hodgins.

Pritchard Reunion West

Now, for perhaps our biggest news for 2013.

For those of you from the western side of the country, a western Pritchard reunion is being planned for this summer. If you would like more information please contact: Robin Pattison rpattison@telus.net

Of course if you are an eastern Pritchard I am sure you would be welcome, just like we are always happy to have our western cousins visit the eastern reunion.