

**Guy Dubay collection on the centennial celebration of St. Bruno Parish
(Van Buren, Me.), 1938**

MCC-00259

Finding Aid

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Title: Guy Dubay collection on the centennial celebration of St. Bruno Parish (Van Buren, Me.)

Creator/Collector: Dubay, Guy

Collection number: MCC-00259

Shelf list number: UM-259

Dates: 1938

Extent: 3 folders (.10 cubic feet)

Provenance: Material was acquired from Guy Dubay, 1992 or 1993.

Language: French.

Conservation notes: None.

Access restrictions: No restrictions on access.

Physical restrictions: None.

Technical restrictions: None.

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Separated materials: Not applicable.

Related materials: Not applicable.

Location of originals: Not applicable.

Location of copies: Not applicable.

Published in: Not applicable.

Biographical notes:

Guy Dubay, of Madawaska, who has been inducted into the Franco-American Hall of Fame in 2003 is a well-known genealogist, respected historian, writer, international lecturer, educator and administrator. He has been active in many organizations, including historical societies, the Maine Humanities Council, the Maine League of Historical

Societies, the Canadian-American Institute, the Acadian Festival Committee, the Stockholm Tri-cultural Committee and the Acadian Archives at the University of Maine at Fort Kent. Mr. Dubay's published works include the historical document "Chez Nous: the St. John Valley" and the play "Justice for All." He was also the presenter for MPBN's "Reflets et Lumieres."

Monsieur Dubay did his undergraduate work in Fort Kent and completed his Masters at UMO. He first distinguished himself as a classroom teacher, principal, curriculum coordinator and educational consultant. He's a college lecturer and has presented his research at conferences all over the United States and Canada. ¹

Organizational history:

On September 1st, 1833, Father J.R. Mercier, priest at St. Basile and the only priest in Madawaska, noted the existence of St. Bruno Parish in the parish registry. On the 9th of September, a baptism was noted in the registry as having occurred at St. Bruno. From that point forward, St. Bruno Parish of Van Buren, Maine, appeared in the parish registry.

Scope and content:

This collection consists of a souvenir booklet commemorating the centennial celebration of St. Bruno Parish in Van Buren, Maine, in 1938. The booklet includes the history of the parish and its priests, as well as information on the town of Van Buren. Also included are a ribbon from the celebration, with the dates October 1-3, 1938, a concert program from the celebration, dated October 2, 1938, and a postcard of the church, built 1946-1950, with the notes that the rectory was built about 1907, with later additions, and that the cemetery opened in 1871.

Inventory:

- Folder 1: Album-Souvenir du Centenaire de la Fondation de la Paroisse St-Bruno, Van Buren, Maine. 1838-1938. 105 p. 1 item.
- Folder 2: Program, Concert Sacré à l'occasion du Centenaire de la foundation de la Paroisse St. Bruno, Van Buren, Maine. 2 octobre 1938; postcard of St. Bruno's Church. 2 items.
- Folder 3: Ribbon. Souvenir du Centenaire de la Fondation de la Paroisse Saint-Bruno de Van Buren Maine. 1, 2, 3 octobre, 1938. 1 item.

¹ Taken from the following website: www.maine.gov/legis/house/records/121hrec/20030319.doc