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## **How to Use This Guide**

This collection consists of copies of a variety of different kinds of primary documents collected in scrapbooks by Van Buren resident Marcella Bélanger Violette. The documents were meticulously duplicated by Holly Ramsdell Violette.

Given the nature of this collection, you may wish to begin by reading the Summary on this page, which gives an overview of the collection. Next, a study of the Biographical Note on Marcella Bélanger Violette (beginning on page 5) would probably be helpful.

Once you're grounded with an overview of Mrs. Violette's life and the provenance of this collection (additional information on provenance appears in the Provenance Note on page 6), the Scrapbook Inventories should be a guide to specific items of interest. These Scrapbook Inventories contain partial item-level inventories of the documents which comprise this collection; they begin on page 7.

## **Collection Summary**

This finding aid provides information about Marcella Bélanger Violette's 25 scrapbooks with over 3000 pages which cover the time period from 1920 through 2005. A wide range of topics are included in the collection with key areas being: the town of Van Buren, the Saint John Valley, Franco-Americans, the Acadians, Bilingualism, Education, Politics, St. Bruno's Church in Van Buren, the Marist Fathers, the Good Shepherd Sisters, the Allagash Wilderness Waterway and the Violette family. Each volume is filled with photos, newspaper articles, letters, cards, telegrams, postcards, brochures, and other items Marcella carefully selected for inclusion. Researchers studying on any of the main topics areas and the general public simply browsing will benefit from this unique resource.

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## *Marcella Bélanger Violette Scrapbook Collection*

*Provenance:* Collected by Marcella Bélanger Violette      *Accession No.:*

*Collection Title:* Marcella Bélanger Violette Scrapbook Collection

*Shelflist Nos.:*

*Physical Characteristics / Condition:* Reproductions / Excellent

*Quantity:* 25 volumes, over 3000 pages

*Date Range:* 1920 - 2005

**Introduction.** This collection consists of a miscellany of documents relating to the lifetime of public service of Marcella Bélanger Violette of Van Buren, ME, collected by Mrs. Violette during her lifetime and archivally preserved by Holly Ramsdell Violette. Marcella Bélanger Violette not only lived a life of public service but has provided a valuable resource in her collection of scrapbooks for generations yet to come. These scrapbooks provide a rich account of a vibrant St. John Valley, an Acadian people proud of their heritage, a people yearning for access to education, a people with strong family and religious beliefs. Through the hard work of her family to reproduce these scrapbooks in archival format, Marcella's love of "her Valley, of her People" continues on.

**Access:** There are no restrictions on access to this collection.

**Language:** French and English

**Biographical Note:** Marcella Bélanger Violette was born and raised in Van Buren, Maine. She married Elmer Violette and became the mother of five children (Dennis, Marc, Paul, Louise, and Tom). She highly valued education receiving her B.A. from The College of New Rochelle and an M.A. in French and English from Boston University. In 1953 she earned her Ph.D. from L'Université Saint Louis Maillet, Edmundston, N.B. Marcella was the first St. John Valley woman to receive a doctoral degree. Her dissertation entitled, "French influence in the St. John Valley" would become part of her life's work to celebrate and promote her Franco-American and

Acadian heritage. In addition to her advocacy of the culture and language of the St. John Valley, she was a teacher and lecturer on family life and the role of women in society.

Marcella served on several state and local committees including: State Commission on Higher Education: Status of Education in Maine, State Study Committee on Financing of Post Secondary Education, University of Maine Committee on Human Equality, Maine Legislative Advisory Commission on Maine-Canadian Relations, Acadian Archives/ Archives acadiennes Advisory Committee (University of Maine at Fort Kent), Advisory Board of the St. John Valley Bilingual Program (Title VII), Advisory Council to "Wellspring" - an Aroostook County Humanities Project (University of Maine at Presque Isle), Director of "Heritage Vivant", and the Van Buren District High School Parents Advisory Council.

She was highly active in the Roman Catholic Church including the Finance Council of the Catholic Diocese of Maine; Diocesan Human Relations Services, Delegate to "Call to Action" Conference, President of Northern Maine Council of Catholic Women, Chair for 15 years of the Parish Christian Family Movement, and Religious Education Teacher.

In addition, she participated in the National Institute of Education Conference on Multicultural Education, was a consultant for the Maine State Library project "Chez-Nous" the Saint John Valley, was a member of the New England-Atlantic Provinces-Quebec Association, and received an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from the University of Maine at Fort Kent.

**Scope and Contents Note:** The items in this collection were gathered throughout Mrs. Violette's lifetime and archivally duplicated by her daughter-in-law, Holly Ramsdell Violette.

Materials in this collection include newspaper articles, church programs, photos, letters, cards, telegrams, postcards, brochures, and other items.

This collection will be of interest to historians, politicians, educators, St. John Valley and Maine residents, and others.

**Provenance Note.** The documents in this collection were created by a variety of entities and by private citizens. They were gathered by Marcella Bélanger Violette and included in her scrapbooks, then preserved archivally by Holly Ramsdell Violette.

**Related Archival Collections and Publications.** There are two publications in the Archives' reference library which relate to Marcella Bélanger Violette:

F29.M2

B4 1953 [Fr]

Bélanger-Violette, Marcella. Le fait français au Madawaska American. [s.l. : s.n.], 1953.

This volume is Marcella Bélanger Violette's dissertation written as required for a PhD from L'Université Saint Louis Maillet, Edmundston, N.B.

F1038

.C66 1972

Conference on the French in New England, Acadia, and Quebec (1972 : University of Maine at Orono. The French in New England, Acadia, and Quebec. Orono NEAPQ Center, University of Maine at Orono [1973].

The volume contains the article "The Franco-American To-day: The St. John Valley" by Marcella Bélanger-Violette.

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Marcella Bélanger Violette

Aroostook County Oral History Project

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Elmer Violette

Aroostook County Oral History Project

Maine Folklife Center: University of Maine

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"Maine Acadian Cultural Survey"

Conversation with Marcella Bélanger Violette and Elmer Violette at their home in Van Buren, ME. [MAP-RB-A008]

**Arrangement Note.** The materials in this collection are presented in 25 volumes. For partial item-level inventories of each scrapbook, see the Scrapbook Inventories on pages 7 through 21. For an Index, see <http://www.umfk.maine.edu/archives/violette>.

## Scrapbook Inventories

### **Volume 0 : 1929-1943**

Marcella photo, St. Agatha, 1929

Marcella report card, St. Agatha, 1930

Marcella music certificates, 1931-1936

Marcella graduation grade 8 Sacred Heart School 1935

50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, Mr. & Mrs. Lucien Bélanger, 1937

Marcella Dominion College of Music Exam, 1935

St. Bruno's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, 1938

Marcella High School Graduation, Sacred Heart, 1939

Notre Dame de La Sagesse Convent, October 2003

Marcella CNR College Schedule, 1939

Marcella Western Union Valentine from Elmer 1941

**Volume 1A : 1941; June-September 1943; 1944-1945; 1947-1951; 1953; 1957; 1960-1965**

CNR, BU, PD.D. Marcella  
Teaching at Stearns Boy's High School, 1944  
Marriage Marcella and Elmer  
Elmer's Service years  
Elmers H.S., Ricker, & BU Graduation  
Elmer running for legislature and senate  
Early Sirois family photos, Cecile Belanger family  
Elmer admintance to Maine Bar  
Marcella in Maine's women Catholic council  
Elmer sworn in as municipal judge  
Beginning of Van Buren Hospital  
Book club  
Violette children photo's  
Marcella study group  
Vital Violette funeral  
Emile Bélanger funeral  
Older Violette family photo's  
1st Van Buren Public Library

**Volume 1B : 1955-1956; March 1963; April-December 1964; 1965-1966**

Velma Frank  
Father John J. Bouchard departs  
Mark, Paul, Dennis, Louise 1955-1969 Photos  
Elmer Violette for State Senator 1964  
Inauguration of Lyndon B. Johnson, 1965  
Vital Violette dies, 1965  
Family photos (Exias Violette, Vital Violette, Marie Cormier Violette, Elmer, Adelaide, Lloyd, Estelle Bosse, Cyprieu Bosse and Ozithee Levesque)  
CCD Institute 1963  
Dedication of the Saint Francis Elementary School, 1965  
Brenda Barker Day  
Paul Violette honorary page, 1965  
Sears open in Van Buren, Jan 1966  
Allagash Waterway 1966  
Marist, 1965  
Dickey Project  
New post office Madawaska, 1966  
Elmer runs for U.S. senate  
Area Court Dedicated at Van Buren 1966



## **Volume 2 : April-December 1966; 1967-1970**

Elmer wins primary, 1966  
Elmer Campaigns  
Allagash  
Hubert Humphrey  
Robert Kennedy  
PUC  
Kenneth Curtis  
Christian Family Movement, 1967 & 1968  
Macella lecture at JFK College on the Acadians  
Edward Muskie  
TV effect on Language, 1969  
Senior Citizens Center at Van Buren Opened  
Dennis BA at Boston University  
Institute on Religious Education, 1969  
HEP Report (UMFK)  
Van Buren class of 1939  
Grand Isle/Lille Centennial

## **Volume 3 : 1971; January-August 1972**

Inauguration Kenneth M Curtis  
Annie S. Madore  
Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources  
Presque Isle BPW (1971)  
Dennis Vietnam (1971)  
Van Buren Young Democrats  
Land-Use Lobby  
Mark H.S. graduation  
Elmer runs for Second Congressional District  
Otto Luening, opera Evangeline  
Silver Anniversary  
Advisory Commission for the study of post-secondary education in Maine  
Le Pere S. Larouche  
Norma Jean Lapierre 1969  
Susan Smith 1970  
Keegan post office closes 1971  
National Legislative Leaders Convention  
National Honors Society 1971  
Maine Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC)  
Cecile Sirois Bélanger 1971  
Conference on the French in New England, Acadia and Quebec  
French Lecture at UMO  
St. Agatha High School

Edward Muskie  
Humanities Council  
Democratic National Convention 1972  
Sargent Shriver  
George McGovern  
Maine Democrats  
Emile Bourgoin dies 1972  
"Little Museum" St. David

**Volume 4 : June-December 1972**

Elmer For Congress  
Island Falls Sesquicentennial Celebration  
Frenchville airport opens  
McGovern  
Muskie  
National Energy Policy  
Rural Area Assistance  
Campaign 72 Interview  
Curtis Maestros Demo Rally  
Tax Reform  
Elmer Violette Resume 1972  
"Wellspring" Events  
Lumbering: how it was  
Inauguration of St. Leonard Bridge, Van Buren  
Caribou Bilingual Program  
FAROG Franco-American Resources and Opportunity Group  
Bilingual Conference to be Held in the Valley  
Heritage weekend Van Buren  
Dennis Violette  
Fr. Dumais & Western Samoa  
Interview with Elmer Violette  
opening of Van Buren Sewer Plant

**Volume 5 : November 1972; 1973-1975**

Lyndon Johnson dies 1973  
title VII  
Skinner Settlement  
Hodsdon's Store  
Bilingual Education  
Van Buren Public Library  
Franco-American Communication Conference 1973  
BPW - State Convention  
Valley Churches

Paul H.S. graduation 1973  
International Bridge falls in Van Buren  
John Martin  
Elmer Violette named Judge  
Pat Crowley dies co-founder of Christian Family Movement  
"Le Tante Blanche Historic Museum"  
Dr. Adelard Savoie, retires Univ. of Moncton president  
Amaranthe J. Michaud historian dies  
Fr. Parent  
Fort Kent is flooded 1974  
Dennis Violette: Canadian Affairs Assistant  
Cecile S. Bélanger dies 1974  
Acadian Village Taking Shape  
New use for abandoned railbeds  
Kings Landing 1974  
Sr. Mary Priscilla died 1974  
Explanation of Thanksgiving to the French  
Quebec rebuilds its past  
Frank J. Murray  
George Mitchell  
Martin House Speaker  
Marcella Keynote speaker YMCA  
Van Buren sports clippings  
Project Director for French Canadian and Franco-American Affairs UMO  
"Christian Women Becoming"  
New County courthouse dedicated

### **Volume 6 : 1976-1978**

Valley Biculturalism grows  
Louise graduates from H.S. 1976  
Rite for Commissioning a Minister  
J. William Johnson leaves the SJV Times  
Fleeing Acadians found refuge in St. John Valley  
Mt. Carmel Dedicated  
Bicentennial Festival & Dedication of the Acadian Village  
"La Bonne Aventure"  
Dennis Violette joins Seven Islands 1976  
Dedication of new educational facilities Van Buren  
Diocese of Portland - "Call to Action"  
Van Buren sports clips  
Sr. Blanche Violette dies 1977  
Estelle B. Violette dies 1977  
Paul graduates UMO 1977

Acadian Village chapel  
Julia Cecile Violette born 1977  
Paul Violette get Democratic nomination in Van Buren  
Advent parish celebration  
P. Violette State Rep.  
Jimmy Carter  
100th anniversary. Of UMFK  
Franco - Americans - Bates College  
Family photos 1978  
Early Van Buren industry  
Senator Patrick Therriault  
Tom graduates H.S. 1978  
Trip to France

**Volume 7 : 1979-1980**

State Rep. Paul E. Violette  
Violette Family Association  
Violette Reunion  
Adrian Beaulieu ordained  
Pope John Paul II  
Mark graduates UMO 1979  
Louise at New Rochelle  
Christmas photos 1979  
Acadian Festival Week  
Rosalynn Carter at Van Buren Community Center  
Potato farmers block 8 border points  
Paul V. runs for senate  
Bishop orders closing of John Bapst High  
Muskie  
Blaine House Conference on families  
Sisters of St. Martha  
Village historique acadian  
Boarding home owners  
Van Buren Coldest spot

**Volume 8 : 1981**

Elmer Sworn in for a second term on Maine's Superior Court  
Bill to aid boarding homes  
Iranian hostages freed 1981  
Ronald Reagan takes oath  
James Carter  
Saturday beans a sacred tradition

Bay Chamber Concerts  
French government seeking ways to preserve language  
Noteworthy superior court decisions  
"Confest" Activities (UMFK)  
Daylight savings 1981  
Phillip E. Parent ordained priest  
Gerald N. Levasseur Scholarship Trust Fund  
Pope John Paul II  
Frank Murray ordained priest  
Acadian Architecture Evident  
Violette Reunion  
Dedication of Francois Violette Memorial and mini-park  
The Legend of the Violet  
Van Buren Centennial  
Ste Agathe Convent  
Joseph E. Brennan  
Man called cyclone (Clemuel Violette)  
William Fortin dies  
Romeo Boisvert  
Portland Symphony Orchestra  
Oil shut-off predicted in U.S. pullout  
Political Boundaries Fade away in Cross-Border Community

**Volume 9 : 1982-1983**

Inauguration of Joseph Brennan  
Quake strongest in region 1982  
The Emergence of the Franco Americans  
Pay Hike sought for legislators  
Winning with Women  
Violette traces path to state  
Good Shepherd Sisters of Quebec 1882-1982  
Aroostook priests speak out on threat to family farms  
First camera coverage of court judge success (1982)  
library dedicated to Gerald N. Levasseur  
Tom graduates UMF 1982  
Management and prevention of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)  
Exhibit explores St. John Valley - Chez - Nous  
Focus on men on the bench  
Paul Violette seeking re-election  
Glenn R.J. Ouellette for State Senate  
Sister Arlene Violet is nominee for attorney general in R.I.  
Sister Saint-Alphee (Bernadette Laliberte)  
Violette reunion set for France

Maine, Canadian politicians gather  
Tom Violette project director for the " Aroostook County Smoking Reduction Project"  
Hotel Morneault, Fort Kent 1905  
Dedication Le Center d'Heritage Franco-American Lewiston Maine  
Easter Banners at St. Bruno's  
Court action sets precedent for handicapped  
Forbes calls computer the key  
Maine House Boundaries 1983  
Bishop Proulx celebrates 25 years  
Rev. Euloge J. Laplante dies  
Pope John Paul II  
Brennan names education panel  
Father Henri Nouwen on Nicaragua  
Biker travels 2,000 miles through Canadian Maritimes  
Lille museum

**Volume 10 : 1984; January-September 1985**

Maine Supreme Judicial Court 1984  
Brennan Discusses Alcohol Use Among Teens  
Brennan discusses future of teaching in Maine  
Andre Nemo, French diplomat visits St. John Valley  
UMFK distinguished service award 1984  
Democratic Convention  
UM School of Law Paul Violette 1984  
Marist Centennial in Van Buren  
Acadian Festival 1984  
Status of Education in Maine  
Violette Association 1984  
Pope John Paul II  
Acadian Conference St. John Valley  
Renovated church in St. Agatha rededicated 1984  
Dale Curry, Cross Country walker to end trip at Van Buren Festival  
Cape Elizabethans visit the Valley  
Paul Violette wins Senate majority leader 1984  
Studying the politics of the state's geography  
112 Legislature to consider more than 2,000 bills  
Van Buren residents reject proposal to buy mill  
Nuns recall flight from Nazi-occupied France  
Van Buren sports clips  
Gail Bélanger  
Jim DiFrederico dies  
Violette appointed to banking panel  
Problems continue for St. John Valley courts

Valley road work  
Catholic Charities appeal  
Ployes that please the palate  
UMFK 103rd Commencement  
Canadian, Maine legislators plan September conference 1985  
Park in Van Buren honors 4 soldiers ( Bertrand Levesque, Fernand Cyr, Joseph Fournier,  
Clarence Lavoie  
Premier Richard Haltfield, MLA Percy Mockler

**Volume 11 : June-December 1985; 1986**

Reynold Thibodeau ordained  
Maine senators burn the midnight oil 1985  
Elmer Violette BU reunion  
Air Forces inducts 41 Maine men  
Boy Scouts set out on ancestral route  
Acadian Festival 1985  
Senate President Charles Pray  
Paul Violette appointed to the state economic development committee  
National Shrine of the North American Martyrs  
Muskie praised at dedication  
Catechists of St. Teresa's in Brewer gain diocesan recognition  
banquet honors Van Buren youth  
Chamber of congress annual banquet, 1985  
Cohen says change needed in trade laws  
Future remained uncertain fro Cooperative Extension Service  
Violette asks for Barresi's resignation  
Space shuttle explodes  
Seat belt debate 1986  
Barbara Gottschalk first female agricultural commissioner  
Senate OK's Martin Luther King holiday  
Paul Violette won't seek re-election to senate 1986  
Importance of tourism to Maine 1986  
Justice Violette resigns 1986  
Paul Violette Named to New England and Eastern Canada commission  
Van Buren hospital celebrates 25th year  
Mitchell speaks on rural health care  
Van Buren Chamber of Commerce annual banquet 1986  
1986 Franco-American Recognition Dinner  
Aroostook county democrats to honor retiring state senators  
Committee vows to support bond issues for universities

### **Volume 12 : 1987**

Seat Belt Program

Margaret Lanoue Canadian Film Center in full swing

Muskie

Brennan

Family photos - Aroostook River, Julia, Hugh, Sarah, Shirin, Violette reunion, Easter 1987,

Zacharie, Esmail, Tiago

Oldest Peace Corps volunteer still serving

New computer firm opens in Bangor, Hamid Ansari Technical Director

Acadian Village preserves ancestral lifestyle

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, Greece, Turkey, and Rome

Ursuline Sisters leave St. Leonard after 40 years

Another viewpoint on the future of the valley

Rev. Clement Thibodeau pastor of St. Mary's, Bangor

French delegates visit Grand Isle 1987

Paul Violette, Maine Turnpike Authority Director, 1987

### **Volume 13 : 1988**

Maine Turnpike

Airplay - Violette house

UMFK Committee on French Heritage

Van Buren Eagle Scouts

Uncle Euloge, Father Laplante of Van Buren

Three French family Favorites (tourtier, creton, and ploy)

Sanctuaire Notre Dame Du Cap

Constance Michaud Estate Auctioned, Van Buren

Family Photos (Sarah, Shirin Esmael, Sarah, Zacharie, Julia, summer 88 everyone)

Violettes donated genealogical research to Abel J. Morneault Library

Haitian journalists to St. John Valley

Good Shepherd Sisters of Quebec

Wood mill to open in Van Buren

Conference of Chief Justices

House Speaker Jim Wright

Mount Merci reunion

1st Elderhostel - International Tour 1988

Pope John Paul II

Nun finds growth as principal

Lille restores landmarks

Tom Violette Dunlap Corp.

St. Bruno Religious Education Center Dedication



### **Volume 14 : 1989; January-June 1990**

Nurses Critically Injured in P.I. crash  
Family photos: Nasrin's baptism, summer 1989  
Bishop Joseph Gerry  
Hard Times and After (UMFK exhibit)  
Marc Violette Earth Day - Adirondack focus on environment  
1789-1989 - Bicentenaire de la Grande - Riviere  
Elmer swears in new citizens  
Upper Kennebec and Moose River Valleys  
Marc receives reporting award  
UMFK awarded \$150,000 Acadian archival grant  
Building named to honor late Dollard Bélanger  
50th Class reunion 1939  
Aroostook's conference on ministry  
Access to legal system for all  
Commission proposed to preserve Acadian history and culture  
Cary to open center in Van Buren 1989  
Origins of Farrell-Michaud house preserve in a bed and breakfast  
B-52 the Paul Bunyan of Air Force Bombers  
John Martin Honored for state service  
Dumont named UMFK president 1989  
PCA to present flutist Rampal  
Bélanger family helped pound out early history of Grand Falls  
Vladimir Ashkenazy, concert pianist  
Historic Grand Isle church undergoes major restoration  
Antonine Maillet Acadian scholar honorary degree  
Maine's Franco American culture preserved by Acadian Archives - Archives Acadiennes  
UM French professor Robert Rioux retiring

### **Volume 15 : July - December, 1990; January-June, 1991**

Acadien Village, Caraquet, New Brunswick  
12 African Journalists visit UMFK, September 1990  
UMFK, Saint Louis Maillet cooperative agreement, September 1990  
Ngyen Violette 1990  
Paul Violette elected to IBTTA Board of Directors, October 1990  
Van Buren High School girls soccer title Class C, November 1990  
Marcella and Elmer Elderhostel trip to Quebec, October 1990  
Helen Berube Adult Education Teacher Award, November 1990  
UMFK Acadian Archives to open, November 1990  
Gov. McKernan's son, Peter, dies, January 1991  
St. Remi, Keegan, November 1990  
Maine Acadian Culture Preservation Act, January 1991  
Folklife Survey, St. John Valley, June 1991

Maine Acadian Culture Survey, Good Shepherd Sisters, June 1991  
Violette interview, Los Angeles Times, January 1991  
Inauguration, Gov. John McKernan  
St. Bruno, St. Remi merge, February 1991  
Tom Violette promotion, Dunlap Corporation  
Marcella and Elmer join S.C.I.M. Affiliates, March 1991  
Allagash Flood, April 1991  
Maine Turnpike widening  
George Bélanger, Sr. dies, May 1991  
Marcella Honorary Degree, UMFK, April 1991  
MSAD #33 Bilingual Education, June 1991  
Acadian Hard Times Exhibit, May 1991  
Elmer Violette, Supreme Court hanging, May 1991  
Good Shepherd Sisters Centennial, Van Buren, 1991  
Early photo, Ferry Crossing, Van Buren, June 1991

**Volume 16 : July-December, 1991; 1992; January-March, 1993**

International Grande Riviere Festival, July 1991  
Yvonne Bélanger dies, June 1991  
Van Buren High School Boys and Girls Soccer Champions Class D, November 1991  
Marc Violette, Articles, News Reporter, New York, 1991  
Workers Comp Panel, April 1992  
Bossé Family Tree  
Ed Pert Day, May 1992  
Kindle School closes, Van Buren, June 1992  
French Ambassador to US visits Augusta, September 1992  
Father Frank hospital chaplain  
Elderhostel trip to France, October 1992  
History of State Senate candidates from the St. John Valley, November 1992  
Rev. Cyr Parent dies, September 1991  
University of Maine Law School Bequest, Violette/Lombard, 1992  
John Martin House speaker, December 1992  
Marcella thesis to UMFK Archives, January 1993  
Early photo Potato Harvest, Van Buren, January 1993  
Committee kills bill to close UMFK, February 1993

**Volume 17 : April-December, 1993; 1994**

Fr. Frank campus minister UMO, April 1993  
SAD 24 to induct Marists into Hall of Fame  
John Martin recognition night, May 1993  
Northern Maine Bilingual Education Program  
St. John river Tribute, July 1993  
Violette Family Reunion, July 1993

Marcella 50<sup>th</sup> College Class Reunion, College of New Rochelle, 1993  
Violette Family Reunion, Lewiston, August 1993  
Neil Lapointe Harvesting Potatoes, September 1993  
Chanel Bouchard, Van Buren Fire Chief Best in State, October 1993  
Bishop Amedee W. Proulx dies, November 1993  
Marc Violette Award of Excellence State Government Coverage, April 1993  
Justice Elmer Violette, Church World, December 1993  
Cyr Plantation School National Register, February 1994  
Edmund Muskie Day, March 1994  
Gail Bélanger teaching, March 1994  
Gravediggers, Van Buren, May 1994  
Veterans D-Day Parade, Van Buren residents, June 1994  
Alda Small walks for hunger, June 1994  
Franco American Database compiled, July 1994  
Violette photo in France, December 1994  
Sister Ste Jeanne D'Arc, October 1994  
Smithsonian England Trip, Marcell and Elmer, 1994  
Lille Store Closing, September 1994  
Tribute to George Mitchell, December 1994  
Doris Bélanger tribute to her family, 1994

**Volume 18 : 1995; January-June, 1996**

Congressman Baldacci swearing in, January 1995  
Matt Rossignol, Van Buren Basketball, February 1995  
Harold Maddocks, Van Buren man recalls W.W.II, April 1995  
University of Angers (France) and UMFK exchange, March 1995  
Amy McInnis Sports, May 1995  
Chuck and Cher Gagnon turn St. Remi rectory renovated, May 1995  
Marshall A. Stern dies, June 1995  
Bishop Michael Cote ordained, July 1995  
Acadian Village, Caraquet, New Brunswick, July 1995  
Paul Violette, Rose Nadeau appointed to Maine Acadian Culture Commission, August 1995  
Marcella, 1939 High School Class Lunch group, August 1995  
Cypress Bossé Family Homestead  
Hilda Martin dies, November 1995  
Van Buren district court closes, October 1995  
Fr. Philip Laplante Boat Mission, 1995  
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