

## **INVITATION**

### **GET-TOGETHER OF DESCENDANTS OF NICOLAS PERROT**

This year, Saint-Sulpice, in the Lanaudière region, celebrates its 300th anniversary. In this context, it has been decided to host this year's annual get-together of descendants of Nicolas Perrot in this municipality. Moreover, 5 of the children of Nicolas Perrot had established themselves and lived here. (see *The children of Nicolas Perrot in Saint-Sulpice*, p. 4)

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to this festive gathering, which will take place :

**Sunday, September 17, 2006, starting at 11:00 am**

The scheduled programme is as follows :

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| 11 am    | Mass   |
| 12 noon  | Vin d'honneur reception  |
| 12:30 pm | Lunch (role-playing)   |
| 3:00 pm  | Talk by Jacques Lacoursière, historian<br>sujet : <i>Nicolas Perrot, le coureur de bois, l'interprète et le diplomate.</i> |
| 4:30 pm  | Visiting local heritage sites in Saint-Sulpice   |

Cost of the activities : 30 \$ (non-members)  
25 \$ (members)

For those wishing to attend mass, find your way to the Saint-Sulpice church, located on Notre-Dame street (route 138), bordering the Saint-Lawrence river. The vin d'honneur reception, lunch and the talk will take place at :

**Centre Léo-Chaussé  
185, rue Émile <sup>1</sup>  
Saint-Sulpice (Québec)**

Reservations will be accepted up to and including September 10, 2006, and your place will be reserved upon receipt of your contribution.. It would be appreciated if you would provide us with the names and number of participants in advance by filling in the reservation coupon (see p. 8) and mailing it to :

**Association des descendants de Nicolas Perrot  
1595, rue Piette  
Joliette (Québec) J6E 3W3**

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<sup>1</sup> Émile street ends at Notre-Dame street, near the post office.

## THE FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Association of Descendants of Nicolas Perrot saw the light on Sunday, April 9, 2006, during the General Assembly held in Joliette. Participants at this meeting adopted the rules and regulations which will guide the Association. They also elected members of the Board of Directors, which will be constituted as follows :

President : Claude Perreault (Joliette)  
Vice-president : Lise Perreault-Christin (Saint-Charles-Borromée)  
Secretary : Michel Perreault (Saint-Eustache)  
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2nd Director : Nicole Perrault-Laverdure (Montréal)  
3rd Director : Serge Perreault (Saint-Liguori)  
4th Director : Therese Perrault-Deguire (Montréal)  
5th Director : (vacant)

Following a request by the General Assembly that the members of the Board be elected for a mandate of 2 years, with half of the Board being renewable one year and the other half the following year, the Board adopted a resolution that the positions of President, Secretary, 1<sup>st</sup> Director, 3<sup>rd</sup> Director and 5<sup>th</sup> Director would be renewable during the 2007 General Assembly and that the other 4 positions would be renewable in 2008.

Participants at this first meeting were invited to become members of the Association upon completion of the appropriate form and having paid the annual fee of 15 \$ ( individual member) or 25 \$ (couple). Also, in order to increase our membership, members present were asked to try to recrute at least one new member. The Association currently has 68 members.

The General Assembly also asked that the Board study the possibility of creating a newsletter which would help foster links between members. The Board resolved to create such a newsletter, and this is the first issue. Besides begin the Association's official organ, the newsletter will report on research being done by members, both historical and genealogical. The frequency and scope of the newsletter will depend upon available financial and human resources.

The Board is currently looking at the possibility of creating a web site which would allow members to share their knowledge and experiences.

The General Assembly also mandated the Board to complete preparations for the annual get-together, which is scheduled for Septembre 17, 2006 in Saint-Sulpice (see first page).

Finally, the Board will study in detail the question of whether or not to become a member of L'Association des familles souches du Québec (*Quebec Root Families Association*) and make a recommendation at the next General Assembly in 2007.

## ON THE ORIGINS OF *NICOLAS PERROT*

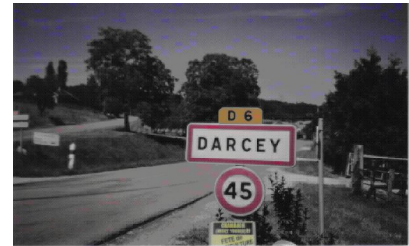
For many years, little was known about Nicolas Perrot.

His marriage contract, put before Guillaume Larue, notary in Champlain, on November 11, 1671, having disappeared, at least allows us to suppose that the marriage took place on that day or shortly thereafter in Champlain.

However, in the 1st volume of Tanguay and annotated by Mgr Amédée Gosselin, one-time rector of Laval University, we find :

***Nicolas Perrot, son of François and of Marie Sivot of Davry, diocese of Autun, with Madeleine Raclos, daughter of S(ieu)r Bon and of Marie Viennot.***

But where to find Davry? Research was fruitless until the discovery of a request made by a soldier of the Berry regiment, named Pierre Perrot, to obtain leave to marry in Quebec City. He came from Darcey, in the diocese of Autun. Finding this document would put us on the trail which led us to Darcey, in Côte-d'Or, in Burgundy.



As indeed the Côte-d'Or archivist would confirm, in march 1956 :

***If the study of the parish registers of Darcey, from 1639 up to 1664, has thus far allowed us to retrace the parents of Nicolas Perrot, and to make note of the birth of a certain number of their children, it has not permitted us to discover the baptismal certificate of the person you are interested in.***

***François Perrot, father of Nicolas Perrot, was lieutenant of justice (justice of the peace) of the barony of Darcey and had wed Marie Sirot (Sivot). From 1651, when he is first noted in the Darcey registers and up to 1664, we have transcribed the baptisms of the following children :***

April 2, 1651 – Jean Perrot  
April 25, 1655 – Mathias Perrot  
February 24, 1658 – Anne Perrot  
July 13, 1664 – François Perrot

***[...] It would seem to me more probable, given the late apparition of this family in this locality, that they had hitherto settled in another parish where Nicolas Perrot would have been born.***

Benjamin Sulte stated in his *Mélanges historiques* : « Nothing tells us what part of France Nicolas Perrot came from »; we now know that he came from Darcey, in Burgundy.



Darcey church

## ***THE CHILDREN OF NICOLAS PERROT***

Eleven children were born of the union of Nicolas Perrot and M. Madeleine Raclos.

- 1) **François Perrot**, born in 1672, married M.-Louise Masse in Bécancour, Feb 10, 1703;
- 2) **Nicolas Perrot dit Turbal**, born in 1674, married Marguerite Bourbeau dit Lacourse in Bécancour, Oct 10, 1710;
- 3) **Clémence Perrot**, born in 1676, married François Dalpech (Delpêche) dit Bélair in Saint-Sulpice, Nov 30, 1725;
- 4) **Michel Perrot dit Chateauguay**, born at Cap-de-la-Madeleine, April 22, baptised April 28, 1677, married Jeanne Beaudry, Oct 17, 1712, in Trois-Rivières. He settled in Saint-Sulpice where he died April 11, 1723 at the age of 45;
- 5) **M.-Françoise Perrot**, born Sep 06, baptised Sep 11, 1678, married François Dufault, Jan 27, 1706 at Cap-de-la-Madeleine;
- 6) **M.-Anne Perrot**, born in Trois-Rivières, July 25, 1681, married François Bigot, Nov 17, 1715, in Trois-Rivières;
- 7) **Pierre Perrot**, born in Bécancour, 1682, first married Marie Champoux dit Jolicoeur, Nov 25, 1711, at Cap-de-la-Madeleine, and settled in Saint-Sulpice. He would later wed Marie-Anne Lescarbot in Saint-Sulpice, April 26, 1718. He died June 07, 1725 in Saint-Sulpice, at the age of 43;
- 8) **M. Madeleine Perrot**, born at Cap-de-la-Madeleine, Feb 19, 1683, died in Nicolet, Aug 07, 1683;
- 9) **Claude Perrot dit Villiers**, born at Cap-de-la-Madeleine Jan 26, baptised Jan 27, 1684, married, in Repentigny, Marie Goulet, July 09, 1714 and settled in Saint-Sulpice on land which he had bought in 1711. He died in Saint-Sulpice, May 19, 1741;
- 10) **Jean-Baptiste Perrot** was born at Cap-de-la-Madeleine, June 14 and baptised June 15, 1688. he died in Bécancour, Oct 29, 1705, at the age of 17;
- 11) **Jean Perrot dit Duchesne** would have been born in Montréal, Aug 15, 1690, and would have wed Marie Quintin, in Repentigny, Aug 18, 1714. He also settled in Saint-Sulpice, about 1716.

## ***THE CHILDREN OF NICOLAS PERROT IN SAINT-SULPICE***

Of the 11 children of Nicolas Perrot and Madeleine Raclos, five settled in Saint-Sulpice; Clémence, Michel, Pierre, Claude and Jean were granted a censive (*land for which they had to pay a tax, the cens*) in the seigneurie of Saint-Sulpice, property of the Pères de Saint-Sulpice (*Sulpician Fathers*), who were also the proprietors of the seigneurie of the island of Montréal.

Claude was probably the first to establish himself in Saint-Sulpice. On Aug 8, 1711, he bought, from Nicolas Han dit Chaussé, a lot measuring 3 arpents (*1 arpent = about 192 feet*) in width by 20 arpents deep, bordering the (*Saint-Lawrence*) river, inscribed as lot 27 on the cadastre (*cadastral land survey*); the following day, the Sulpician Fathers granted him an additionnal 1 arpent by 20 deep, abutting the land obtained the previous day.

He appears to have been closely followed by his brother Pierre, since, in 1712, Pierre's eldest daughter, from his first marriage to Marie Champoux, was baptised in Saint-Sulpice. Pierre would settle on a censive corresponding to lots 30 et 31.

Jean, the youngest of the family would obtain land on lots 18 and 19, bordering the Saint-Lawrence. Michel would eventually rejoin the other members of the family a few years later, in 1719. He would be granted lots 45 and 46 on the river.

Finally, Clémence would buy part of lot 26 next to her brother Claude.

## SAINT-SULPICE

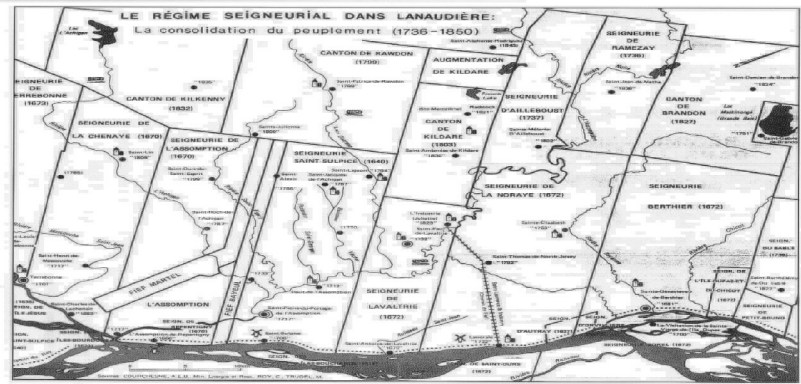
Inhabitants : Sulpicians

M.R.C. : L'Assomption

(MRC = *municipalité régionale du comté, regional administrative centre, roughly = county seat*)

Region : Lanaudière (one of 17 regions in Quebec province, each of which may have several MRC's)

Population : 3 500



### In the beginning, a seignury...

On December 17, 1640, the Compagnie de la Nouvelle-France (*New France Company*) cedes to Pierre Chevrier, sieur de Fécamp, and to Jérôme Le Royer, sieur de La Dauversière, on behalf of and in the name of the Société Notre-Dame-de-Montréal, the island of Montréal and the seignury of Saint-Sulpice, *extending 2 leagues<sup>2</sup> in width alongside the Saint-Lawrence, being six leagues deep in the said lands to be taken on the north shore, where the Assomption River discharges into said Saint-Lawrence River and starting at a boundary marker which will be placed on that same shore, at a distance of two leagues from the mouth of said river Assomption.*<sup>3</sup> The Société Notre-Dame-de-Montréal had been created *to establish a strong colony in New France to instruct the savage peoples of these lands in the knowledge of God and to attract them to a civilized life.*<sup>4</sup>

On April 20, 1664, the Saint-Sulpice Seminary of Paris cedes, without conditions, the whole of their rights to the island of Montréal and to the seignury of Saint-Sulpice to the Saint-Sulpice Seminary of Montréal. The parish which will eventually be founded will take the name of Saint Sulpice, chaplain of Clotaire II and later bishop of Bourges, who died in the 7<sup>th</sup> cent.

In November 1691, Messire Dollier de Casson, Superior of the Seminary and Messire Léonard Chaigneau (who will later become the first parish priest to serve Saint-Sulpice), on the one hand, and Séraphin Margane de Lavaltrie, on the other, agree that *the boundary line drawn between the concession of said Jacques de La Porte dit Saint-Georges (in the seignury of Saint-Sulpice) and the seignurie of Lavaltrie will remain fixed, perpetual and inviolate [...] There will be two boundary markers placed on said line.*<sup>5</sup>

### and then, a parish ..

The Great Peace of Montréal, in 1701, will precipitate the founding and development of this new parish. Indeed, the parish is officially founded on September 29, 1706. Father Chaigneau, the parish priest, opens the church registry with the baptism of Jean-Michel Riel, ancestor of Louis Riel.

The first marriage was celebrated by Father Chaigneau, on October 18, 1706, conjoining Philippe L'Archevêque and Marie-Jeanne Desmarais.

<sup>2</sup> A French league was about 3 miles

<sup>3</sup> Archives de Québec, Vol. 1

<sup>4</sup> Cited from the Archives du Séminaire de Saint-Sulpice, Montréal, by Maurice Prud'Homme in his *Les 300 ans de Saint-Sulpice (the 300 years of Saint-Sulpice)*, p. 20.

<sup>5</sup> Contract signed before the notaries of Montréal between the Sulpicians, on the one hand, and the seigneur of Lavaltrie, on the other.



A first chapel was erected in 1706 and replaced by a church of stone whose work began in 1724 and was completed the following year. However, the decoration would not be completed until many years later. At the start of the 19<sup>th</sup> cent, a serious construction problem manifests itself : the bell tower is in danger of collapsing. Already, in early 1802, the representative of the bishop of Québec writes the parishioners : « *having examined, during our visit to said parish, the jube and the benches of the jube (... ) we have judged it necessary to deny access to it* »<sup>6</sup>. Attempts to repair it were made, but it was evident that this church no longer met the needs of the parish. Finally, in 1832, the current church was constructed, based on the plans of Victor Bourgeau. On May 23, 1832, abbé Antoine Tabeau, Vicar-General of the diocese of Québec blessed the new church.



Saint-Sulpice church (1832)

The Saint-Sulpice church has several treasures of which one is a tabernacle sculpted in wood, dating from 1759, painted in white, with gold gilding, made by the brothers François-Noël and Jean-Baptiste Levasseur, and a magnificent Easter chandelier, also in wood, from about 1790, the work of François Guernon dit Belleville (kept in the Musée de Québec); the altar sarcophagus would have been created by Philippe Liébert or Louis Quevillon between 1797 and 1799. It is to be seen in today's Saint-Sulpice church.

Behind the church is another jewel of Saint-Sulpice, the chapel for the Notre-Dame-de-Pitié procession. Built piece by piece, it dates from 1830 and was originally erected along the « *chemin du roi* » (*the King's road*). The widening of this road necessitated its move in 1934. Classified as historical monument in 1959, it was restored in 1975 and in 1999. One of its features is the bell tower with double skylight. It is also the only procession chapel found in the diocese of Montréal.

Saint-Sulpice also has several heritage homes, among which :

the Beupré house, located at 607 Notre-Dame and built in 1773, is a quebécois-style house characterised by a double-sloped roof, curved at the bottom, chimneys at either end of the house and by its veranda which takes up the entire facade.

the Duhamel house, at 785 Bord-de-l'Eau road, erected 1798-1799, is a Breton-style house, with chimneys on either end of a sharply peaked roof. .

the Gour-Mongeau house, at 702 Notre-Dame street, built about 1820, with a mansard roof.



Duhamel house (1798-1799)

- and the Perreault-Lamontagne house, 825 Bord-de-l'Eau road, built about 1819.



Perreault-Lamontagne house (1819)

The towns of L'Assomption, L'Épiphanie, including the parish, the municipalities of Saint-Jacques, Sainte-Marie-Salomée, Saint-Alexis and Saint-Liguori were all detached, in whole or in part, from the seigneurie of Saint-Sulpice.

Saint-Sulpice parish celebrates this year its 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Four families have lived in Saint-Sulpice since the founding of the parish. They are the descendants of Nicolas Han Chaussé, of Claude Perrot, of Jean Prud'Homme and of Michel Rivest.

<sup>6</sup> Saint-Sulpice church records, 1800 – quoted in *Les 300 ans de Saint-Sulpice* by Maurice Prud'Homme, p. 6

## A bit of genealogy

Descendants of	(all dates are dd-mm-yy)	Descendants of
<p><b>Michel Perrot dit Châteauguay and Jeanne Beaudry</b> (Trois-Rivières, 17-10-1712)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Joseph <sup>1</sup> and L.-Geneviève Han-Chaussé (Saint-Sulpice, 23-01-1736)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Pierre-Sulpice and Ursule Mondor dit Liénart (Lavaltrie, 18-02-1965)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Pierre-Sulpice and Marguerite Laporte (Saint-Sulpice, 18-01-1791)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>François and Charlotte Pelletier <sup>2</sup> (Lavaltrie, 29-01-1822)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>François and Sophie Payette ———— + ———— (Saint-Paul, 02-07-1844)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Urgel <sup>3</sup> and Eugénie Desmarais ———— (Saint-Ambroise-de-Kildare, 09-01-1866)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Joseph and Léda Riberdy (Sainte-Mélanie, 23-01-1894)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Albert and Gilberte Neveu (Saint-Ambroise-de-Kildare, 06-10-1937)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Claude and Thérèse Desserres (Rawdon, 13-04-1973)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Pascal and François</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Joseph Desmarais and Desanges Perrault ———— (L'Assomption, 15-01-1776)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Pierre Desmarais and Eose Malo (St-Paul, 23-09-1811)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Joseph Desmarais and Marguerite Chevrette (St-Ambroise, 06-02-1837)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>François and Christine Tellier (Sainte-Mélanie, 22-10-1868)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Japhet and Eugénie Pelletier (Sainte-Mélanie, 13-09-1892)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Eugène and Laurette Bordeleau <sup>1</sup> (St-Ambroise, 15-06-1927)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Lise and Noël Christin (Christ-Roi, 31-08-1974)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>—————</p> <p><b>(1)</b> Laurette Bordeleau was the daughter of Adélarde Bordeleau and Maria Perreault; Maria Perreault was the daughter of Urgel Perreault and Eugénie Desmarais.</p>	<p><b>Pierre Perrot <sup>1</sup> and Jeanne Lescarbot</b> (Saint-Sulpice, 26-04-1718)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Joseph and M.-Anne Laperche dit Saint-Jean (L'Assomption, 06-02-1747)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>François and M.-Anne Forest (L'Assomption, 22-09-1795)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Charles and Marguerite Beaupré (Saint-Jacques, 10-11-1829)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Patrick and Délima Desrochers (Saint-Alphonse-Rodriguez, 14-05-1877)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Joseph and Armésine Beaudry (Saint-Côme, 06-06-1905)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Albert and Hélène Lafond (Saint-Alphonse-Rodriguez, 01-10-1955)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Mario and Guylaine Lépine (Saint-Liguori, 04-09-1982)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>—————</p> <p><b>(1)</b> previously married to Marie Champoux dit Jolicoeur, le 25-11-1711 at Cap-de-la-Madeleine =====</p> <p><b>Pierre and Anne Lescarbot</b> (Saint-Sulpice, 26-04-1718)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Joseph and M.-Anne Laperche (L'Assomption, 06-02-1747)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Bénoni and Angélique Christin (L'Assomption, 22-01-1782)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Louis and Élisabeth Forest (L'Assomption, 10-02-1823)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>François et Sophie Laporte (Saint-Alexis, 09-10-1860)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Joseph et Marie Richard (Saint-Jacques, 19-01-1897)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Louis-Philippe et Ernestine Comtois (Saint-Ambroise-de-Kildare, 29-12-1925)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> </p> <p>Serge Perreault</p>
<p><b>JACQUES LACOURSIÈRE</b></p> <p>Well-known historian and author of many books on the history of Quebec, including "Canada-Québec, synthèse historique", "Boréal Express, journal historique" and "Histoire populaire du Québec", will be the guest speaker of Québec-France Lanaudière, on September 5, 2006, and will give a talk on the return of the first French goélette, La Capricieuse, allowed to enter the port of Quebec city, a century after the English conquest. This dinner-talk will take place in Berthierville.</p> <p>Information : Claude Perreault (450) 755-1552.</p>		

**A BIT OF GENEALOGY (continued)**

Descendants of : **Claude Perrot dit Villiers**

**Claude and Marie Goulet**  
(Repentigny, 09-07-1714)

**Joseph and Madeleine Brem-Bourdelaïs**  
(Saint-Sulpice, le 15-02-1751)

**Benjamin and Marie Dalpé dit Pariseau**  
(Saint-Sulpice, 06-10-1788)

**Joseph and Marguerite Prud'Homme**  
(Saint-Sulpice, le 20-01-1823)

**Pierre and M.-Louise Charland**  
(Lavaltrie, 05-02-1861)

**Arthur and Arthémise Rivest**  
(Saint-Sulpice, le 04-02-1896)

**Joseph-Hector and Jeanne Rivest**  
(Saint-Sulpice, 05-09-1927)

**André and Léonie Boisjoly**  
(.....)

**Francine Perreault**

**NOTICES**

We are currently working on a comprehensive dictionary of the descendants of Nicolas Perrot. You can assist us by providing us with your family tree, addressed to the Association.

If you have any talents as writers or if you are knowledgeable with computers, you could render us a great service by collaborating in the editing of the newsletter, by contributing articles, or by working on the web site of the Association.

To offer your services,  
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Email : [claupero@megacom.net](mailto:claupero@megacom.net)

Become a member of the Association of Descendants of Nicolas Perrot by filling out the following form :

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Joliette (Quebec) J6E 3W3 Canada

Surname(s) and given name(s)

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Profession (previous, if retired) \_\_\_\_\_

Age group             18 to 29 yrs     30 to 39 yrs  
                              40 to 54 yrs     55 yrs and +

Areas of interest within the Association

- history and culture
- genealogy
- tourism and travel

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Individual membership     15 \$ CDN / yr  
Couple                         25 \$ CDN / yr

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