RIGHTS AND DUTIES

Membership includes:

- A laminated membership card;
- Attending the General Annual Meeting of the Association;
- Propose candidates as administrators and vote;
- Be invited to the Association’s meetings and activities;
- Dues include your spouse and all children under 18 in your household;
- Receive the Association’s bulletin: *Le Prévostal*;

Fulfils her/his role as a faithful representative of his Association in her/his surroundings.

FEES

Provided the payment of an annual fee of $25, the **regular member** is entitled to receive, by mail, copy of *Le Prévostal* as well as correspondence and the renewal notice.

The **e-member** pays an annual fee of $20 and receives copy of *Le Prévostal*, all correspondence as well as the renewal notice by email only. We do not yet offer direct payment through Internet.

We also offer a **lifetime membership** for a one-time fee of $500. The lifetime member receives the correspondence and *Le Prévostal* either by mail or email.

PAYMENT

Make a cheque payable to the order of the Association;
Mail with the completed subscription form
Or: Pay the treasurer during an activity.

FLEUR DE LYS

The golden aspect of this fleur-de-lys symbolises Old France while the silver aspect of it symbolise New France. Gold is for faith and nobility, strong evocations of the Old France. Silver symbolises richness and prudence, illustrating the expectations of these pioneers in New France. The background colour, Azure (Blue), symbolises Justice and Loyalty. Also, it symbolises the blue sky of New France.

WHEAT SHEAF

Composed of nine stalks and ears, it symbolises the nine ancestors who came from Europe and branched out in the New World. The wheat sheat also means the fertile land of New France. But above all, it symbolises the imparting spirit and determination of those who came here to find a better living.

SCALE OF JUSTICE

The name says it all. It symbolises Justice but also, it symbolises the function exercised by the provost (prévot). Source of the meaning of our names. The scale of Justice is sable (black), symbol of humility and temperance. The background colour, Gold, symbolises the nobility that characterizes the function of the provost. Also, it symbolises the faith and determination that lead our ancestors to face and overcome the challenges imposed upon them by the crossing of the sea and the establishment on a new land in America. It was not an easy life in New France but, with courage, they learned to make the best of it.

SHIP

The ship symbolises the crossing of the sea, often difficult and painful, by our ancestors in search of the better future. It symbolises the bond between the two continents. It is of gold colour, symbo; of the faith that drove those pioneers. More informations on the Web Site.
THE HISTORY

On March 26th, 1990, our family Association was incorporated. Five administrators have set forth the basis with the firm intent to arouse interest and increase participation of Prévost and Provost families. For its foundation, the General Meeting was held in Laval, on June 29th, 1991. Our Association is member of the Fédération des associations de familles du Québec (FAFQ), an organisation gathering over 180 associations.

Our Bulletin, Le Prévostal, was introduced in 1991. Through this vehicle, members are invited to participate in the activities that take place. This provides an opportunity for our members to create bonds and further enable the research concerning our ancestors.

THE ASSOCIATION

Fuelled by writing exchanges, genealogical comparisons and many activities, the heart of the Association is to cluster Prévost and Provost according to their common ancestors.

In addition, the Association offers its assistance to members in reconstructing the family tree. During family gatherings, members are invited to present their family tree and compare information with Prévost and Provost cousins.

A database, managed by Michel Provost, author of many dictionaries, offers thousands of registered names.

ONGOING MISSION

• Unite all the Prévost-Provost families and those that are related.
• Seek new and innovative venues to hold our activities,
• Take the best decisions in our Association’s interest.

THE ANCESTORS

We know of at least twenty Prevost, Provost, Provo or Provoost who left Europe to settle in America. Of these 20, 13 have descendants today. Those who came to Quebec are:

Martin Prévost, from Montreuil-sous-Bois, near Paris and Marie Manitouabewich (1644);
François Provost, from Saint-Aubin de Tourouvre, Perche and Marguerite Gaillard-Duplessis (1664);
Eustache Prévost, from Sainte-Madeleine de La Bouille, Normandy, and Marie-Élisabeth Guertin (1673);
René Provost, from Saint-Laurent de Paris and Anne Daudelin (1684);
François Provost, dit Lafleur, from Saint-Gervais de Saint-Servan, Brittany, and Madeleine Landais (before 1766);
Jean Provost, from Saint-Ursin, Normandy and Marie-Anne Poudret (1753);
Pierre Prévost from Notre-Dame des Champs, Normandy and Élisabeth-Ursule Bélanger (1755). He is the ancestor of the Provost dit BONSAIN and BONSANG in Québec;
George Prevost, from Jersey Island, and Modeste Anglehart (circa 1816); widowed, he married Sarah Cherray Douglas (1831). He is the ancestor of the Prévost and Provost of the Baie-des-Chaleurs area in the Gaspé Peninsula;
Louis Prévost, from Barseuff, Brittany, and Justine Duval (Dupauleau) (1859); widowed, he married Aimée Délina Boulet (1866).

THE ADMINISTRATORS

The Board of Directors includes 9 members elected by the general assembly for a two-years term.

In order to provide stability within the Board, an alternating voting method has been put forward : 5 members being elected one year and 4 the following year.

Within the Board, the Executive Council, carrying a one-year term, consists of a president, a vice-president, a treasurer and a secretary.

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ACTIVITIES

At least two activities are organized yearly so members and people related or interested in our family can meet and gather information. For example, you may come with us at:

• Sugar Shack Parties
• General Meetings
• Family Gatherings
• Picnics

THE GOALS

The goals of the Association are reviewed on an annual basis. Goals must be realistic and promote the participation of all the members.

REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP

Member number (If renewal) : __________________
New Member? (check here)  ____________________
E-member? (check here) _______________________ Name : ______________________________________
First Name : __________________________________
Address : _____________________________________
Postal or Zip Code : ___________________________
Phone Number : _____________________________
Fax : ________________________________________
Email : ______________________________________
Profession : _________________________________
Date and Place of Birth : _____________________
Spouse Name : ______________________________
Date and Place of Birth of Spouse : ____________
Father’s Name : ______________________________
Mother’s Name : _____________________________
Signature : ________________________________

Form of consent : Do you agree that your coordinates (name, address and phone number) be published in the membership list of APPA?
Yes __________      No __________
Date : ______________________________
N. B. No response = agreement.

Thank you!

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