

On February 1, 1832 was baptised Eulalie Houle born yesterday daughter of Louis Houle and Julie Henrichon. Godfather Louis Piquet and godmother Marguerite Goulet. »

To date, the indications are **Pierre Houle uncle of the child, Scholastique Houle aunt of the child and Marie Houde**, whose parental link with the baptised child is not mentioned.

Taking a look at the children of Louis Houle and Marie-Louise Mélançon, we find all those names and even Jean-Baptiste Houde who was a witness of the burial of the two anonymous children and who is likely their uncle.

However, I am not satisfied and I want a more conclusive evidence that **Louis Houde or Houle who married Julie Henrichon is in fact the son of Louis Houde and Marie-Louise Mélançon**. I therefore continue my research and find a baptism for **Joseph Houle** son of Pierre Houle and Josephite Germain AKA Bélisle:

“This day of July 5, 1830 we undersigned priest have baptised Joseph born on the same day of the legal marriage of Pierre Houle carpenter and Josephite Germain AKA Bélisle of this parish. Godfather Baptiste Goulet, godmother **Julie Henrichon aunt from the father’s side**, who together with the father have signed.”

It so happens that this **Pierre Houle** who has his son Joseph baptised is the son of **Louis Houle and Louise Mélançon**.

Pierre Houle son of Louis and Louise Mélançon were married on March 2, 1829 at St-Jacques de L’Achigan with Marie-Josephite Germain-Bélisle (Jean-Baptiste and Thérèse Douvier-Lamarche).

Therefore, is the **brother of the Louis who married Julie Henrichon** since he is the named godfather at the baptism of Guillaume, son of Louis and Julie, and it is also for that reason that Julie is said to be the **aunt from the father’s side** when Joseph, her nephew and son of her brother in law Pierre, was baptised.

As far as I am concerned, the parental link is clear and well established to the effect that Louis Houde (or Houle) who married Julie Henry AKA Henrichon if the son of Louis Houle and Marie-Louise Mélançon. The name “Lauson” is therefore the result of a “handwriting error” of the name Mélançon as is often seen in genealogy matters.

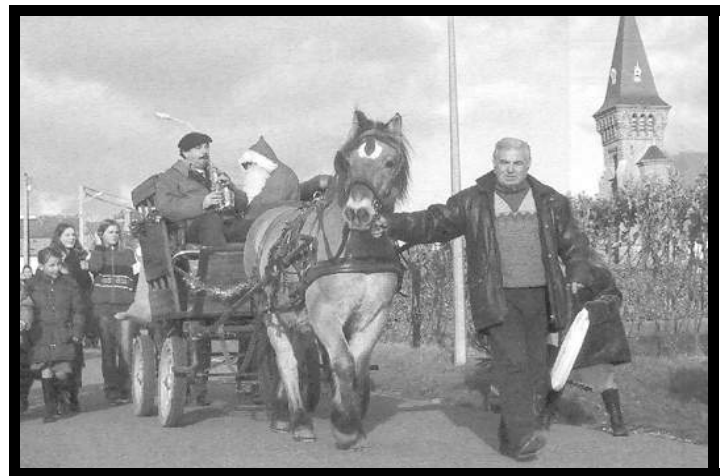
The Christmas Tree at Manou, December 14, 2003

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Just like each year in early afternoon, the Manou children get together on the church parvis to welcome Santa Claus sitting in a superb buggy pulled by a poney under the control of Julio Santaromana. Sitting by his side was the excellent Philippe Roineau with his saxo and wearing his legendary béret.



Santa Claus’ buggy with Philippe Noireau, his béret and his saxo on board!



Santa Claus handed out candies thus making for a happy procession of young kids from seven to seventy years old arriving at the high school hall. Organized by the *Comité des Fêtes* (holidays committee), the afternoon included a magic show executed by Luc Aubard also appearing Luciano, a Chinese and Lado and Aldo. Adults and youngsters were subjugated by his show which was followed by a lunch and the distribution of toys to the 12 children under the age of twelve.

This marvellous festivity was over with regrets for all around 19 hrs.