



Leaf symbolic of  
healing of the nations

# Niverville and Region Canada Day Celebration

Bring Lawn Chairs!

Program for Friday, July 1, 2:00 p.m. just South of Niverville Arena



Métis flag symbolic  
of infinity and eternity

Honouring the Role of the Métis in our Local History on the East Reserve and the Unrolling of Our Own Métis Red River Cart as Symbolic of a Connecting Link Between Pre- and Post-settlement Times



Emcee Niverville Mayor Myron Dyck



1. Greetings and Welcome from Niverville Mayor Myron Dyck
2. Greetings from Murielle Bugera, president of the **Crow Wing Trail Association**, created in 1999 by the Municipalities of Emerson-Franklin, De Salaberry, St-Pierre-Jolys, Niverville, Richot and Roseau River Anishinabe First Nation.
3. Introduction/recognition of **Armand and Kelly Jerome**, extraordinaire and master **Red River Cart Builders** who built this authentic **Red River Cart** for Niverville to be stationed here near the historical path of the **Crow Wing Trail**.
4. Greetings from **Edlynne Paez** and **Sienna English** of the **Student Action Group** from the **Niverville High School**.
5. Prayer of Blessing from **Métis Elder Lucy Guiboche**, a Member of the Mayor of Winnipeg's **Indigenous Advisory Circle** who spoke at the **Town of Niverville's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** on Sept. 8, 2019, and is quoted in our local museum.
6. Celebration of Métis culture led by **Métis Fiddler Jason Heistad** and **Métis Dancer Janessa Leanne Roy** who live in this region. Repertoire: *Red River Jig*, *St. Anne's Reel*, *Big John McNeil*, *Maple Sugar*, *Orange Blossom Special*, etc.



Murielle Bugera



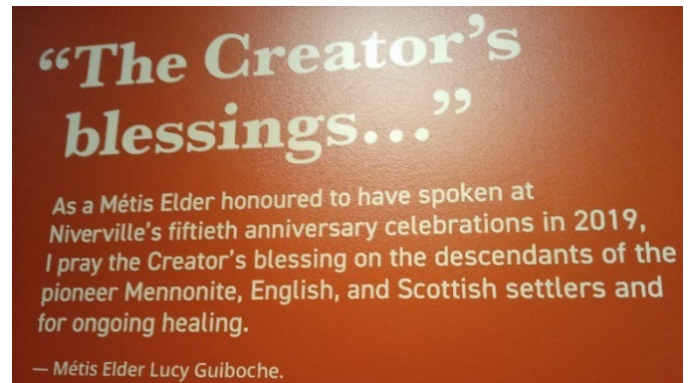
Armand Jerome



Edlynne Paez and Sienna English Elder Lucy Guiboche



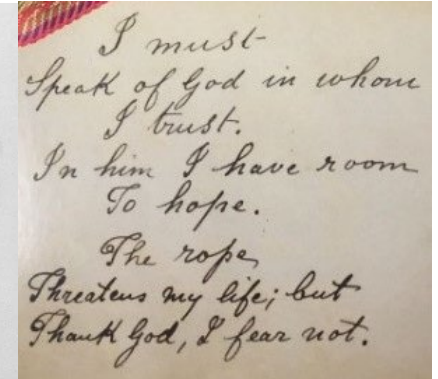
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Quote from Métis Elder Lucy Guiboche at Niverville Museum

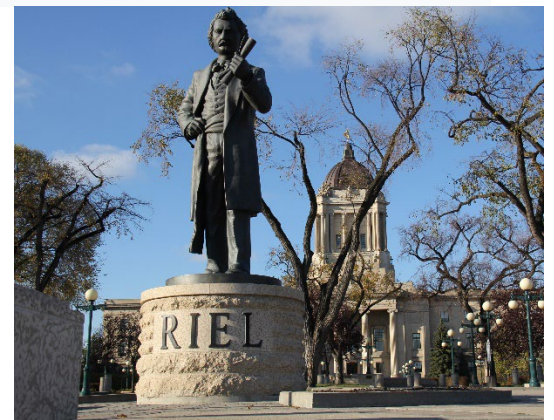
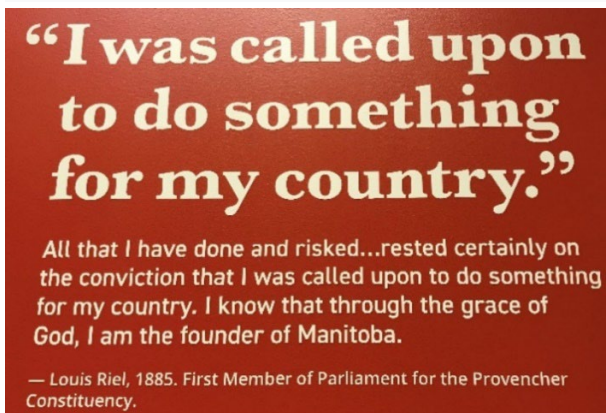
**Please enjoy the free Buffalo Burgers, Bannock and Pop facilitated by Clare Braun and Team!**





Just before the last battle at Batoche, Saskatchewan (then part of the North West Territories), on May 6, 1885, Louis Riel stated, “Yes, I have done my duty. During my life I have aimed at practical results. I hope that after my death, my spirit will bring practical results. **All that I have done and risked...rested certainly on the conviction that I was called upon to do something for my country. I know that through the grace of God, I am the founder of Manitoba.**”

These historic words are now entrenched right in the historical/cultural space at the **Niverville Museum**, next to the **Niverville High School**, and close to the site that will house a **Métis Red River Cart** that will be displayed to honour the role of the Métis in the history of the land within the **Hanover School Division**.



By Oral Tradition, this statement is attributed to Louis Riel: ***“My people will sleep for one hundred years, but when they awake, it will be the artists who give them their spirit back.”*** In 1885, shortly before his untimely death, he stated, ***“I have always believed that, as I have acted honestly, the time will come when the people of Canada will see and acknowledge it.”*** Just before his execution, he declared, ***“In a little while, it will be over. We may fail, but the rights for which we contend will not die.”***

