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INTERVIEW



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Q. Place of birth?

In **Bathurst**, NB but I lived all my childhood in *Caraquet*, on the Acadian Peninsula.



Q. Did you choose the Restigouche region or did it choose you?

A bit of both. My wife got a job opportunity in Campbellton after graduating from college and we decided to settle there.

We have now been here for 20 years.



Q. Your passion?

I've always enjoyed a variety of sports, so sports in general.

I also love to travel 😊

Q. Favorite pastime?

In summer, golf and relaxing around the swimming pool.

In winter, some hiking but I like to watch television series and movies.

I also do a lot of volunteering, which I find very rewarding.

Q. Do you prefer a particular season of the year?

We are lucky to have all four seasons so we might as well enjoy it:

- Spring is the arrival of summer, we prepare the outside, and the sun warms everything a little more
- In summer, we travel, I play golf, use the pool
- Autumn is the magic of colors; it is an ideal time for beautiful hikes
- In the winter, I play and referee hockey, but I also did alpine skiing last year and I enjoyed it 😊

Q. Most enjoyable travel experience?

I have had the opportunity to visit **over 30 countries** so far and this question is very difficult for me for each country I discover offers something different to me. I do have a weakness for the following:

- The Hawaiian Islands
- Italy
- Portugal
- Switzerland
- Thailand



Q. Destination yet to discover?

I hope some day to discover South America Patagonia, in Argentina, has a particular attraction for me.



Q. Last book read?



I don't read much, but I am currently reading a detective novel, *Ne t'enfuis plus* by Harlan Coben.

Q. Favorite authors?

Harlan Coben, Guillaume Musso, and Marc Lévy

Q. A book you recommend?

Two books : *Le Premier Jour* and *La Première Nuit* both by Marc Lévy. Discoveries, pursuits, voyages briefly you will be incapable to stop reading.

I also enjoyed *La fille de papier* by Guillaume Musso. It brings us so well in a half-real, half-fantastic world that you never know in which one you are.

Q. Favorite quote?

You miss 100% of the shots you don't take

- Wayne Gretzky

Q. What are you most proud of?

Of my life in general:

- I have a lovely wife
- I have a great career
- I am involved in the community

Q. You win the lottery, then what?

After paying our debts Ha! Ha! Ha! some trips would probably be in the plans. I would also share it with my loved ones and ultimately, depending on the amount, take early retirement 😊

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Q. Favorite movie? Music?

Rudy and *Shawshank Redemption* are my two movies.

As per music, I enjoy many genres in both French and English.

Q. Your advice for newcomers who want to settle in Restigouche and start a job search?

***Do not hesitate to use the services available to you.
Don't hesitate to approach employers, either.***



(Marc au Pérou)

Q. One word best describes you ?

Human

Q. Offered three wishes, what would they be?

- To be able to speak & understand all languages
- To eradicate poverty
- Find an environmental solution to waste / plastics / etc. management

Q. In your experience, what should newcomers to Restigouche do to facilitate their job search, overcome obstacles / challenges and find suitable employment in the region?

- **Do not hesitate to get involved in community activities**
- **Build a network of contacts**
- **Do not hesitate to consult professionals who are there to help you, and above all**
- **Don't be discouraged**

Q. You can dine with any personality from history, you choose? Why?

Louis J. Robichaud



So that he could tell me about his vision for New Brunswick, with all of his well-known passion.

Louis Joseph Robichaud (born

October 21, 1925 in Saint-Antoine, died January 6, 2005 in Sainte-Anne-de-Kent), better known as Louis J. Robichaud or P'tit Louis, was a politician Canadian. He was Premier of New Brunswick from 1960 to 1970.

He began his political career at a very young age by being elected in 1952, at the age of 27, deputy for the constituency of the County of Kent. He was re-elected in 1956.

In October 1958, he took over the leadership of the New Brunswick Liberal Party, which he led to victory in the 1960 general election by defeating the Conservative government.

Robichaud was sworn in as Premier of New Brunswick on July 12, 1960 at the age of 34 and **then became the second Acadian to hold this office after Peter Veniot and the first Acadian to win an election as Premier.**

His government won the elections again in 1963, then in 1967, and Louis J. Robichaud thus remained Prime Minister for 10 years, until 1970.

By the time Louis J. Robichaud took office, New Brunswick society was a two-tier society, with Acadian regions among the poorest in the province and a French-speaking minority having few institutions and hardly any services in French.

He then set up the Equal Opportunities for All program, a wealth redistribution program that established common standards for all citizens. He then engages a social movement similar to the Quiet Revolution of Quebec.

An ardent defender of the French language, his role was decisive for the future of Francophones in New Brunswick by passing the Official Languages Act, which made New Brunswick the only officially bilingual province in Canada. He also contributed to the establishment of a French-language school network, with the founding of the Université de Moncton being the culmination.

Louis J. Robichaud ultimately lost the 1970 general election against the Conservatives led by Richard Bennett Hatfield. He then resigned his seat in the Legislative Assembly and his position as leader of the New Brunswick Liberal Party in 1971.

In the same year, he became President of the International Joint Commission, a position he held until his appointment to the Senate of Canada on December 21, 1973.

He retired on October 21, 2000 and returned to end his days in New Brunswick. He was diagnosed with cancer in 2005. He died on January 6, 2005 at Stella-Maris-de-Kent hospital, after a few weeks of illness.

(Source Wikipedia)

Q. Something that people may not know about you?

I was presented with the ***Career Development Practitioner Achievement Award (2017)*** from the NB Career Development Association.



On the photo:
Marc receives his award from NBCDA Co-Chairs, Jon Fairweather (Anglophone) and Abdellatif Baoud (Francophone), in Fredericton, NB.

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