

Lettre Jerriaise Saturday 8th April 2023

Bouonjour tou'lmonde, chez mé Peter Germain thci vos pâle aucouo une fais
Good morning everyone, its Peter Germain who speaks to you once more

Y'as un mais que j'ertithit coume Procthutheur de not paraisse ichîn a St Martin.
There is a month since I retired as Procureur in our parish here in St Martin

La pâraisse me donnit un Vin D'Honneur. J'tait heureuse de vais un tâs monde de
The Parish gave me a Vin D'Honneur. I was pleased to see many of the

la pâraisse dans la Salle Publique. Mais coume j'dit quand j'pâlit auprès Madame
Parish in the Public Hall. But as I said when I spoke after Madam

le Conétable fit son address. J'sis icîn pour la famille Germain!
Connétable did her speech. I am here for the Germain Family!

Mon Granpéthe John Noel Germain, servit coume Deputy dans l'Etâts, J'm
rappelle
Ma Grandfather John Noel Germain, served as a Deputy in the States, I remember

aller en ville a la cauchi pouor li vais en aller au bord le baté a la Reine, Le Britania.
going to town at the harbour to see him going on board the Queens Yacht, The
Britania.

Mon Péthe John Dorey Germain servît la pâraisse coumme Chef de Police
My Father John Dorey Germain served the parish a Chef de Police.

Mon Gran Frêthe John Baudains Germain t'ait dans la Police Honorifique coumme
My older brother John Baudains Germain was in the Honorary Police as a

chêntnyi, Énregistreur, et âupres Connétable
Centenier, Registrar, and after Connétable

Ma Soeur Ann Marret t'ait en chérge du 'Girls Brigade' pouor plusiethe années
My sister Ann Marret was in charge of the 'Girls Brigade for many Years

Mon 'p'tit' frêthe David Germain ou 'Tosh' coumme il est connu tait mon assistante
my younger brother David Germain or Tosh as he is known was my assistant

Énregistrethe auvec sont garçon Richard Germain
Registrar along with his son Richard Germain.

Et pouor mé, j'tait Énregistreur pour plusieurs années (Tu pâle tch'y'avait des
As for me, I was Registrar for many years, (Talk about there were some

marriâges très interesante jusque quand chu Charlie Parker changit tout!
very interesting marriages!!) until when this Charlie Parker changed everything

y'avait rien mal auvec la mâniethé que nos sougnit d'nos affaithes.)
there was nothing wrong in the way we carried out our affairs.

J'servît coumme Protchereur à St Martin pouor douze ans. Un position que j'aimer un tâs.

I served as Procureur in St Martin for twelve years. A position that I liked a lot

Driennement j'avons établyi un māgnificent group dans not office , l'travâille bien
Recently we have established a magnificent team in our Office, They work well

éensemble.
together.

Souvent à des réunions de Protchutheurs. I'disent tchi sont heutheuse
Often at the meetings of Procurers, they say that they envy

de la maniéthe qu j'travâle si bien éensemble dans not Pâraisse.
the way in which we work so well together in our Parish.

I faut qu'j'dise que ch'est dâmage que les jeunes ne veullies pon aîdgi lu Pâraisses
I must say that its sad that the young do not want to help in their Parish

Heuthersment ichîn à St Martin y'en a plusieurs tchi trâvaille dût pouor not fête a
Thankfully here in St Martin, there are several who work hard for our Gorey

Gouray a not' Feu D'artifice. Mais y'as grand bésion des jeunes dans not Police
Fete and Bonfire. But there is a great need of youngsters in our Honorary

Honorifique.
Police

I'm'd'mandit si j'm'en vais māntchi l's responsabilité d'un Protchutheur?
they asked me if I would miss the responsibilities of a Procureur?

Certainment!! Duthant mon office nou' reconstruie nôt Rectory, Ch'es eune belle
Certainly!! During my office we reconstructed the Rectory, its now a beautiful

piéce achteu.
place now.

Le construction du Café l'aut bord de not Salle publique,
The construction of the Cafe the other side from our Public Hall.

Tout á changit á not vielle école, achteu, y'as un Docteur, un chemist, un
vétinaithe, et eune
All has changed at our Old School, Now there is a doctor, a chemist, a Vets and a

boutique tchi vent des chose pouor les malades, et not M&S tchi n'est pon grand
shop which sells things for the aged and infirm, and our M&S which is not big

assez !
enough!

Le construction de vingt deux Maithons pour les siens de la Pâraisse thci
The construction of twenty two Houses for the ones in the Parish who

voulait acâter lus maison pour la premiethe fais.
wanted to buy their houses for the first time.

Et sôignit les vielles gens dans lus
And looking after the elderly in their

magnifique maithons au Court Clos. et j'avons grand besion d'un autre quarante!
magnificent houses at Le Court Clos, and we have a great need for another forty.

Un aut' chôse, j'fut présenter auvec un plâque par le Baillyi pour aver organiser
Another thing, I was presented with a plaque by the Bailliff for having organised

le distribution du mangit de not supermarket, thci tait trop vi pouor vendre
the distribution of food from our supermarket, which was too old to sell

y'avait traïs groups, Lundi, Mércredi et Vendredi, tchi vint collecter du mângit
There were three groups, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, who came to collect

et l'prendre à les siens t'chil voulait ou peut pon sortit de lus maithon.
the food and take it to those who wanted it or couldn't get out of the house

Malhertheursment tchi'un vînt de l Département de Bouon Santé pouor nos dîthe
unfortunately someone came from the Health Department to tell us to

d'aréter!! Tchi damage, car ach'teu ches tout pélta au 'dust.'
stop!! What a shame, because now it is dumped!!!

Eh bien mes bouonne Gens, ch'est tout pouor anniet. Á bêtôt pouor achteu!
Oh well my good folk, Thats all for today Good bye for now.