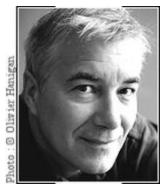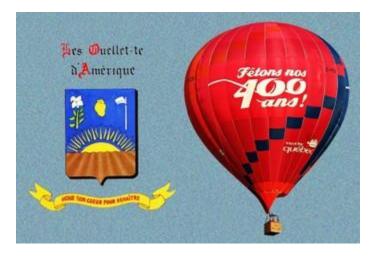## *42nd Family Gathering 2008*

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Our 42nd meeting was presided by Jay Ouellet, by day a chiropractor and an avid astronomer and photographer by night. Many people have seen him walking the streets of his native city, Quebec, in search of ideal sights to photograph. His photos are now available in a magnificent work of art "Quebec, Rencontre de Nuit", nocturnal scenes of the incomparable panorama that is the Old City of Quebec.

A passionate astronomer since the age of ten, Jay Ouellet bought his first camera at the age of 15 and since has shared his passion with his friends, the younger generation and the public at large across Canada. His photos have been published by NASA, numerous sites, and specialized publications (Space 365, Pocket Sky Atlas, Skynews, APOD, Sky And Telescope, to name a few). Jay Ouellet is the only Canadian to have one of his photographs on the cover of the prestigious magazine, Astronomy in November 2000 In April 2006 he published an article on his night photography techniques

His photo called "Le Sagittaire" was proclaimed photo of the month by this same magazine. His photo "Tango ForTwo" was used in the television series The West Wing on NBC. This work by Jay Ouellet was exhibited at the Albert Rousseau Hall in 2003.

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1PM   Tour of Quebec City, the cradle of Canadian history.
During a two hour visit we discovered the European charm of the first French city of North America. The tour included a visit of the main historical sights of Quebec City: The Plaines of Abraham, the Rampart, the famous Chateau Frontenac, the National Assembly, the Basilica, the Place Royale, the Citadel and numerous other points of interest in the modern part of the city. We also had two guided visits – the Capital Observatory and the "Parc de l'Artillerie".

The music was by Mario Boucher, an accordionist and Juste Guillemette, a guitarist.