



TERREBONNE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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THERE WILL NOT BE A MEETING IN JULY

NEXT MEETING AUGUST 26, 2023 1:00 PM
MAIN BRANCH LIBRARY 151 LIBRARY DR. HOUMA, LA

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SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2023: The Lafourche Heritage Society, 45th Annual History and Genealogy Seminar, at Thibodaux Wellness Center, 726 N. Acadia Ave., Thibodaux, LA. The cost is \$40 per person. Pre-event registration includes the meal and ends July 28, 2023. Walk-ins are allowed upon available spacing but will not include the meal. Sign-in begins at 8:30. The program begins at 9 AM. The 4 guest speakers will be: Jay Schexnayder, he will present an overview of the history of the German Coast of Louisiana, the European origins of its colonial settlers, their impetus for migrating to the New World, and how they “creolized” in South Louisiana over the last 300 years. Albert Robichaux, Jr. will be speaking about his research for his latest book, focusing on Canary Island settlers to Louisiana. Dr. Nathan Rabalais will give a presentation entitled “The Stories Behind the Tales: New Perspective on Cajun and Creole Folklore”. Gayle Breaux Smith’s talk “Footsteps in Time” recounts her travels and genealogy tracing the “footsteps” of her Breaux ancestors. Booksellers will be available throughout the day. Other special events will include award presentation by the LHS Historical Preservation Committee, and the 2023 Edward J. and Anna B. Himel Distinguished Service Memorial Award.

ACADIAN FAMILIES HAPPENINGS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023: Vermilionville, 300 Fisher Road, Lafayette, LA, Acadian Culture Day. A FREE day! There is a possibility of families setting up tables/stations to solicit members to join a family group.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023 --Each year, St. Hilary Catholic Church (333 Twin Oaks Drive, Raceland, LA; 985-537-6002) celebrates the Feast of the Assumption at a French Mass which honors the patron saint of Acadians and celebrates Cajun culture. This year’s Mass is on Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. A meal is served immediately after the Mass in the

parish's multipurpose building. You can expect to find locals wearing their Cajun best and serving good food to all attendees.

HELP US

As we have said for several months now; we are searching for members to replace the current officers. All current officers are retiring. We need officers to continue to operate. Below we have listed the duties of the officers and board director for you to consider becoming an officer or director and keep us going as a society. Read each officer's duty and discern which you would like to do. These positions are for a two year term. You may contact the nomination committee or any board member and give your name and which position you are interested in. The Nomination Committee is Dorothy Bergeron, Connie Gaines, & Wanda Moore.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT

- Facilitate board and general meetings
- Prepares and distributes agendas
- Signs all checks
- Assigns duties for committees, meetings, and projects
- Maintains order and timeliness of meetings and projects
- Ex-officio member of all committees except nominating committee

VICE PRESIDENT

- Assumes responsibilities of president when president is absent
- Select and secures speakers/programs for meetings
- Assist committees as requested
- Assist the president in organizational duties

SECRETARY

- Records, prepare, signs, distributes, and read the minutes of board and general meetings and preserve all minutes and reports to include
 - Attendance – maintain sign-in sheets
 - Reports on actions and activities of meetings
 - Reports/Presentation presented
 - Record motions and votes
- Maintains Membership List (along with treasurer) for general and board membership
- Election Responsibilities
 - Determines who is eligible to vote
 - Records votes and results
- Maintains Bylaws
 - Has knowledge of policies and procedures
 - Has copy of Bylaws at all meetings
 - Implements policies
- Responsible for filing legal and other documents and applications

TREASURER

- Responsible for all financial records for organization: collect & record dues and funds received by the Society and pay all bills of the Society
 - Prepare, record, distribute, maintain, and sign
- Report to board and general membership on monthly, quarterly, and annual basis
- Ensure all governmental reports are filed accurately and timely
- Work with Certified Public Accountant when necessary
- Assist Secretary with maintaining Membership Rolls
- Assist Librarian with inventory records

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY/LIBRARIAN

- Collect, respond to, and present to Board all incoming general correspondence
- Maintain all publications and asset inventory of organization

BOARD MEMBER

- Establish mission and strategic planning for organization
- Act as fiduciary and guardian of all organizational assets
- Attend meetings
- Act as “Project Lead” on project of choice

Do you have a family story to tell? How did your grandparents meet? What brought them here? Please share it in our Terrebonne Life Lines. We need your story. It does not have to be a book, just a short story. Send it to wmoore1048@aol.com and we will publish it in the TLL and you may find new cousins.

GENEALOGY ASSISTANCE:

What is your FAMILY lineage?

YOU NEED TO KNOW!!!!

Let us assist you trace your family lineage.

Join us at our next meeting.

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2023 MEETING SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	ROOM/FLOOR	BOARD	GENERAL
8-26-2023	Main Branch	Large Rm 1 st Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
9-30-2023	Main Branch	Large Rm 1 st Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
<i>No Meeting in November</i>				
12-9-2023	Main Branch	Large Rm 1 st Fl		Noon

Check out our website: www.terrebonnegenealogicalsociety.org

Facebook Group: Terrebonne Genealogical Society