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NEXT MEETING APRIL 27, 2024 1:00 PM
MAIN BRANCH LIBRARY, 151 Library Dr., Houma, LA

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We have new officers and board members. Our officers are Wanda Moore, President; Jason Bilelo, Vice-President; Susan Dupre, Recording Secretary; Philip Whitney, Treasurer; Jess Bergeron, Correspondence Secretary. Board Members are Dorothy Bergeron, Johnny Soule', Alice Foret, Bobbie Bogle and of course Patty Whitney stays as past president board member. Thanks to all who have accepted these positions for the next two years. Thanks to the outgoing officers and board members for their many years of dedicated service, Connie Dupre Gaines and Lacey Trahan-Moate.

We apologize for the March newsletter delay. We had an issue with the new way the Post Office wants to handle the non-profit mailings. Patty was able to resolve this issue after a 2-hour phone call to the post office in Baton Rouge, LA. Due to this issue we are considering sending the newsletters by email only. I did send out them last month, but several emails were returned. **WE WOULD LIKE ALL MEMBERS TO PLEASE UPDATE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS.**

Come join us this month! We will be gathering to do research. Bring your items that you need help with, and we will get a list of things to research for future gatherings.

DEATHS



Barbara BELANGER WHITFIELD, 82, passed away surrounded by her loving family on Saturday, March 9, 2024, at 10:24pm. Barbara was a native of New Orleans, LA and a resident of Houma, LA. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow visitation at Maria Immaculata Church on Saturday, March 16, 2024, at 11:00am with burial after services in St. Francis de Sales Cemetery 2. Barbara is survived by her loving family; her husband of sixty-three years, Gordon WHITFIELD; her children, Deborah "Debbie" W. HEARD (David), Faith W. KRAEMER (Calvin), Tamara "Tammy"

Whitfield PUNCH (Robert); grandchildren, Jennifer Solito URBINA (Sully), Katie MUDD (Galen), Amy BRUNET (Casey), Hayden PUNCH (Nina), Ethan PUNCH (Heather); great-grandchildren, Justin, Jacob,

and Logan Urbina, Rylan, Kyler, and Micah MUDD, Emalie, Lucas, and Eleanor BRUNET; siblings, Eugene BELANGER Jr., Gwen B. FOTOS; and many loving nieces, nephews, family and friends. Barbara is preceded in passing by her parents, Eugene and Edna BELANGER, in-laws, Louis and Norma WHITFIELD and Laurinda HARBOUR. Barbara was the cornerstone and beloved caretaker within her family, embodying exceptional selflessness, care, and empathy. Her life was centered around her family and unwavering faith in God. For 63 years, she shared a joyful marriage with Gordon, her soulmate, and the love of her life. They journeyed together wherever the navy took them, and she, a devoted navy wife, was just as much a part of the military world as Dad. In addition to her expertise in jewelry making, Barbara found joy in ceramics, cooking for her loved ones, tending to her garden, and undertaking DIY projects at home. She cherished every holiday that brought her family and friends together under one roof. Decorating each occasion, she ensured they were all unforgettable. Her passion for family led her to Genealogy, where she delved into uncovering and exploring our family's history. She cherished discovering our roots and the tales from our ancestors. She was a member of Terrebonne Genealogical Society. One of her most cherished accomplishments was her commitment to her church. Serving as a Eucharistic minister, she brought comfort to the residents of Maison de Ville Nursing Home each week during Mass, offering prayers and spiritual support. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the LSU ALS clinic and their dedicated team, as well as the Team Gleason Foundation for guiding us over the past three years. Special thanks to St. Joseph's Hospice and their exceptional nurses for the care and love provided to mom. Barbara fought ALS with grace and dignity, so please in lieu of flowers, kindly donate in her name to Team Gleason Foundation. Chauvin Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Barbara Whitfield. Published in Houma Daily Courier.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have not renewed your membership, do so now, for this will be your last newsletter.

**TERREBONNE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
2024 MEETING SCHEDULE**

DATE	LOCATION	ROOM/FLOOR	BOARD	GENERAL
4-27-2024	Main Branch	Large Rm 1st Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
5-25-2024	Main Branch	Large Rm 1 st Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
6-29-2024	Main Branch	Large Rm 1 st Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
7-27-2024	Main Branch	D. E. Rm 2 nd Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
8-31-2024	Main Branch	D. E. Rm 2 nd Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
9-28-2024	Main Branch	Large Rm 1 st Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
10-26-2024	North Branch	Large Rm 1 st Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
<i>No Meeting in November</i>				
12-14-2024	Main Branch	Large Rm 1 st Fl		Noon

**Check out our website: www.terrebonnegenealogicalsociety.org
Facebook Group: Terrebonne Genealogical Society**



RENEWAL TIME

JESS SAYS IT IS TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP. DUES ARE DUE BY **MARCH 1, 2024**. IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO RENEW. DO IT TODAY. A MEMBERSHIP FORM IS ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER.

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2024 Membership Form

* Information required

Dues: \$30.00 Individual; \$22.00 Library/Societies (not available to individuals).

Please make checks payable to: Terrebonne Genealogical Society and mail to the address above.

Date: _____

Surnames of interest: _____

*Name: _____

*Address: _____

*City, State, Zip: _____

Phone (home) : _____

Phone (cell/business): _____

E-Mail address: _____

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