Mr. C. J. Christ was our speaker last month. He spoke about the U. S. Naval Air Station in Houma, La was a Lighter than Air (LTA) or Blimp Base and during WWII served anti-submarine warfare for the U. S. Navy. The Air Station was commissioned on May 1, 1943. It had a very large hanger, which was 300 feet wide, 1000 feet and over 200 feet high and was considered the largest of its time. The doors weighed 50 tons alone which were on rails. The hangar was destroyed after the war but the concrete is still evident on the blimp base. On May 15, 1943 NAS Houma commissioned LTA Squadron ZP-22 into anti-submarine patrol of the Gulf coast. The unit was decommissioned on September 12, 1944 and the base ceased in being LTA and became a HTA Training Facility with the Coast Guard and continued air/sea rescue. The remaining base barracks are now home to TARC and the School for Exceptional Children. If you are interested in getting more information contact Mr. Christ at the Regional Military Museum 1154 Barrow St. Houma, LA 70360 (985) 873-8200.

SPEAKER
Ross Mays of the TP Library, who replaced Jennifer Hamilton in the Genealogy Department, will speak on his plans for the genealogy department at the main library.

SEMINARS
17th Annual Angelina College Genealogy Conference -Constructing Images from the Past - will be Thursday, July 18, 2013; Two Special All-Day Workshops on Friday & Saturday, July 19 & 20, 2013; Eight Speakers Offering 24 Sessions; APG members who are speaking: Trevia Wooster Beverly, Carolyn Ericson, John Sellers, and Carol Taylor; Exhibitors & Vendors; Networking with other researchers. Registrations now being received - BEST RATES BEFORE JUNE 1, 2013. Angelina College Campus, Lufkin, Texas; contact the Conference Coordinator, Trevia Wooster Beverly (TGS Life Member) at treviawbeverly@comcast.net or (713) 864-6862 or for full details and registration form see http://www.angelina.edu/genealogy/genealogy.html

The Lafourche Heritage Society 37th Annual History and Genealogy Seminar coming in August 2013. More information will be posted in next month’s newsletter.
DEATHS
Leona LUKE BOURG, aunt of our member Gloria DARCEY, died April 21, 2013, age 83, native of Terrebonne, resident of Dulac. She was buried at Holy Family Catholic Church cemetery. She is survived by her husband of 63 years Lawrence BOURG; children Catherine SIMON and husband, Huey, Sr., Reggie BOURG, Ricky BOURG and wife Linh, and Karen RICHARD and husband Randy. She is preceded in death by her parents Sidney and Lydie CARRERE Luke, Sisters Winnie THIBODEAUX, Wilda THIBODEAUX, Wilma MATHERNE BLANCHARD, and Brothers Whitney and Willie LUKE.

FAMILY REUNION
I would like to invite the descendants of Pierre LEJEUNE dit BRIARD (born c. 1630 in Brie, France, died in Port Royal, Nova Scotia) and his wife, d/o Germain DOUCET to join us in creating a historic reunion. To share stories, photos, and information that would not otherwise be known. This reunion is set for a two week period starting August 16, 2014 in Lejeune, Quebec, Canada. It is registered with the CMA, www.cma2014.com/en/Andre'Vachon. My name is Andre VACHON.

FREE STUFF
I have a number of new Ink cartridges to give away. They are HP # 56, #49, #45, # 29, # 23 and LEXMARK # 20, # 25 and # 75. They can pick them up at the meeting from Phil CHAUVIN.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Join us in wishing Mora Himel Lincoln a very Happy Birthday. She will be 104 on July 24th. She is one of our original lifetime members. She has asked that we remove her from the mailing list. I think she has made her mark on society. Happy Birthday, Mora.

NEW BOOKS
South Louisiana Vital Family Records Volume 15 is now on sale. This volume consist of 208 pages, with abstracts from the years 1944 - 1945 marriage records of Assumption, Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes. It includes a page honoring our WW II Veterans (a few pictures).

BOOK COMMITTEE
Have you gone to the library and expected to find a particular book but it was not there? Don’t get frustrated we have a program to help get the books you want to the library. Write down the name of the book, the author and publisher. Get the information to Sondras Saucier and she will get this information to the library to order the book. Contact Sondras at (985) 688-6792 or email svbs3@yahoo.com.

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