



# TERREBONNE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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## NEWSLETTER

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NEXT MEETING

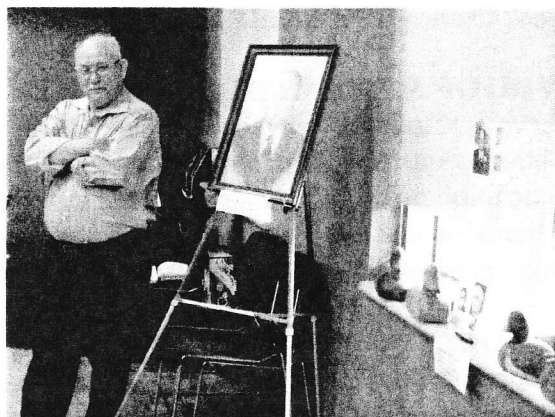
July 27, 2013

1:00 p.m.

Main Branch Library 151 Library Dr. Houma, LA 70360

We hope everyone had a blessed and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July. We believe in the dignity and rights of all people. We believe in freedom and equal justice, the rule of law, and a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. We should protect our constitution and obey the law and expect everyone to do the same. We remember all the patriots who risked their lives to bring us freedom. Thank a veteran. When and How to display the flag of the United States of America  
<http://www.infoplease.com/spot/flagetiquette1.html> or <http://www.usflag.org/flagetiquette.html> flag etiquette

Lawrence BERGERON, Jr. brought a collection of duck decoys that his father carved using a cane and pocket knives only. His father had no type of training carving, but as a young boy he watched his father carving ducks. His father was considered a jack-of-all-trades. His father died in 1958 at the age of 45, he would have been 100 years old on June 23. What a beautiful story. Thanks Lawrence for sharing. See picture on the right.



We also had several displays of family charts and pictures. We invite you to bring your family charts, such as 15 generation charts or 5 generation charts or family group sheets to display at the meeting. You will be amazed at how many connections you will make at just one meeting.

### GUEST SPEAKER

As of writing this newsletter, no guest speaker has been reported. If you know of anyone who may be interested in being a guest speaker please let us know.

### DEATHS

Cameron T. DUGAS, Sr. died June 28, 2013, 80 years old. Beloved husband of Merlyn HEBERT DUGAS (member of TGS). Father of Duane Joseph DUGAS (Pamela), Cameron T. DUGAS, Jr. (Lisa), Claudia DUGAS GASSENBERGER (David), and Cynthia DUGAS SOTO (Horacio). Grandfather of David GASSENBERGER, Jr., Rosanna SOTO, Brett and Cameron DUGAS, III. Brother of Rudy DUGAS, Janel CLEMENT, the late Eldrid D GOMEZ, Bernice D ABADIE, Dorothy D. HUNTER, Alvin and Henry DUGAS, Sr. Son of the late Henry and Eugenie BOUDREAUX DUGAS, Son-in-law of the late Edgar and Alexina ADAM HEBERT. He served his country in the U. S. Marine Corps during the

Korean War. Interment at Holy Sanctified Cemetery in Westwego, Louisiana. Please accept our condolences.

## SEMINARS

The Lafourche Heritage Society invites you to attend its 37<sup>th</sup> Annual History and Genealogy Seminar on Saturday, August 3, 2013, at Envie Restaurant in Thibodaux, LA from 8:30 a.m. to about 3 p.m. The schedule is for two morning sessions, a buffet lunch, and two afternoon sessions with breaks between each session to visit books vendors and displays. Speakers are **Miki Pfeffer** a native of New Orleans, LA and resident of Thibodaux, LA. Her research is focused on 19<sup>th</sup> century women and people of color. Her presentation is *Let's Go to the Fair: the 1884/85 Cotton Centennial Exposition in New Orleans*. **Stella Carline Tanoos** has researched the Wilbert, Daigle and Carline families. Her presentation is *Lost Louisiana History – Louisiana Cattle Trails*. **Sand Marmillion** is Curator and General Manager of Laura Plantation in Vacherie. She will speak on *The Development of the Cultural Landscape along the Mississippi River and Bayous of Southern Louisiana*. **Patty Whitney** is a native of Houma and resident of Thibodaux. She is the Director of Bayou History Center, Inc. She is President of the Terrebonne Genealogical Society and past president of the Lafourche Heritage Society. Her presentation is *Researching Slave Ancestry*. To pre-register, send your name and check for \$28.00 per participant to the LHS, P.O. Box 913 Thibodaux, LA 70302. Only participants who pre-register will be included for the buffet lunch. Same day register will be accepted, but will not include lunch. The deadline to pre-register is July 31, 2013. Book vendors are welcomed at no additional cost; but you will need to pre-register and reserve a table in advance. For more information, please contact Clift Theriot (985) 448-4621 or [clifton.theriot@nicholls.edu](mailto:clifton.theriot@nicholls.edu) or Patty Whitney (985) 859-3214 or [pattywhitney@hotmail.com](mailto:pattywhitney@hotmail.com)

## IT'S COMING BACK

July 23 (Tuesday): The popular celebrity roots series “**Who Do You Think You Are?**” returns. TLC (The Learning Channel) picked up the show and announced the first episode will air on July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9/8c. Those scheduled for this season are many talented women including Christina Applegate, Cindy Crawford, Zooey Deschanel, Chelsea Handler and Kelly Clarkson.

## ARE YOU OF ACADIAN DESCENT?

*Evangeline's Cousins* web site is ‘barebones’ without the bells and whistles. It contains genealogy information about Acadians: French-speaking residents of what is now eastern Canada with many of the later generation going to Louisiana where they became known as Cajuns. The web site's home page states that it contains entries for 564,125 individuals. Having Acadian ancestry myself (Barrilleaux, etc.), I recognize many of the names. (July 2013 issue of *The Tejas Gazette*)

## NEW BOOKS

South Louisiana Vital Family Records Volume 15 and 16 are on sale now. Volume 15 consists of abstracts of marriage records from 1944 – 1945 from Assumption, Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, with a page honoring our WWII Veterans with a few pictures. Volume 16 consists of marriage records for only 1946 from Assumption, Lafourche, and Terrebonne Parishes.

## WEBSITES THAT MAY HELP IN YOUR RESEARCH

*Evangeline's Cousins* is located at <http://acadianalifestyleevangelinescousins.com>. “Once you find a person in the database, you can click on various links to display that person's pedigree chart, descendants chart, a fan chart, a timeline chart, and more.” This was quoted from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter. [http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans\\_online\\_genealogy](http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy)

The United States Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) have a Genealogy Notebook on their website which you may find of interest. The genealogy notebook is a place for the USCIS Genealogy Program to share answers to commonly asked Genealogy research and record questions. You can submit a question by writing to: [Genealogy.USCIS@uscis.dhs.gov](mailto:Genealogy.USCIS@uscis.dhs.gov). The current genealogy notebook question refers to C-files. C-files are document naturalizations - the acquisition of United States citizenship after birth. C-Files contain copies of records evidencing the: Granting of naturalized U.S. citizenship by courts between from 1906 to 1956; and Issuance of Certificates of Citizenship to those who derived or resumed U.S. citizenship. C-files are a product of the 1906 naturalization act. To access the USCIS Genealogy Notebook go to: <http://tinyurl.com/buejdkc>