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NEXT MEETING

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1:00 p.m.

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Clifton Theriot, Archivist at Nicholls State University gave us an overview of what information is in the archives: local history collections (photographs, newspapers, documents, ledgers, diaries, scrapbooks, etc.); Louisiana History and Rare Books; University Archives (history of Nicholls); Historic Maps and Prints. NSU Archives is open Monday – Friday, 8:00 – 4:30 and you must get a parking pass. This is a wealth of information, go check it out. You will be impressed.

#### **SPEAKER**



Myles BARR, from Alabama

BA-Theology from Florida Baptist Theological College
MA-Education from Nicholls State University
Youth Minister in Alabama & Louisiana from 1996-2005
History Teacher @ Ellender Memorial High from 2005-2014
Starting in 2014 school year I will be the new Social Studies
Curriculum Coordinator for Terrebonne Parish.

I am also doing work with Tulane University's Southern Institute for Education and Research. The SIER has developed a presentation on Louisiana residents who were survivors of the Holocaust. Most have since passed on and the SIER uses these mini-lectures around the state to help people remember the Holocaust. Married to Niki Barr of New Orleans and has 4 children.

#### **SEMINARS**

The Lafourche Heritage Society invites you to the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Genealogy and Historical Seminar on Saturday, August 2, 2014 at Envie Restaurant Ballroom in Thibodaux, LA. Tickets are on sale now for \$28.00 per person, which includes a wonderful meal. There will be four great speakers and book sellers from several organizations!

#### **MUSIC MAN**

A Thibodaux man is passing along his knowledge of songwriting to the community. Ronald Berger, 64, will teach free songwriting lessons on select Fridays from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Thibodaux Library. During the first week, Berger said he taught songwriting basics and a few things not to do. During the next week, Berger worked with the participants to craft song lyrics, titles and refrains, and gave demonstrations of his work. Berger said none of his five students had received lessons before. They were all completely new to songwriting, he said. They didn't know what to expect. I had them look at the titles of the books in the library to get ideas about songs to write. A 12-year-old boy wrote a song about a dog named Crazy Blaze, and his younger sister wrote a song titled Spring is my Favorite Thing, he said. Berger, who retired about 10 years ago, said he tries to stay involved with the community and enjoys working with the local libraries to create events. Berger plans to hold similar songwriting lessons at the Terrebonne Parish Main Library in the fall.

#### **NEW BOOKS**

South Louisiana Vital Family Records Vol. 17 This volume consist of 164 pages, with abstracts from the year 1947 marriage records of Assumption, Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, including the names of bride and groom and dates of their marriage. Also included (if given) their ages or birth dates, their parents, previous spouses, where married, married to whom and by whom. Purchase price \$30.00 per book plus postage and handling. See the attached flyer for purchase.

#### MEMBER BOOK SALE

Windows Into Yesteryears Written by Lee Roy J. Pitre, Jr. The Journey - Pre Middle Ages Europe - Nova Scotia - -France - Louisiana. This book is a non-fictional documentary of the author's journey into the past, in search of not just names and dates, but who our ancestors were. Where did they live? How did they live? What major events surrounded and affected their lives? Where and how did the PITRE surname originate? After many years of research, many delays both personal and professional, the book is now available for purchase. Visit the following link to place your orders: <a href="https://www.WindowsIntoYesteryears.com">www.WindowsIntoYesteryears.com</a> ISBN: (hardcover) 978-0-9904500-1-6

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