



# TERREBONNE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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**NEXT MEETING**

**AUGUST 27, 2022**

**1:00 PM**

**MAIN BRANCH LIBRARY 151 LIBRARY DR. HOUMA, LA  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor D. E. Room**

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We did not have a speaker in July. Our discussion was all about the big celebration of Terrebonne Parish's 200 years and the part TGS will have in it. Our society will also be celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> year and there will be a joint celebration for us and Terrebonne Parish.

The Lafourche Heritage Annual History & Genealogy Seminar was a great success after a 2 year break. There were five great speakers with interesting stories and genealogies and art work. The food and people were great. You had to be there to really appreciate the talks and see the art work. Thanks to all involved.

### **TERREBONNE 200 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS**

September 22<sup>nd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> will be hosted by TGS on "People & Culture". We are asking for members to start thinking about displaying any old items they may have that represents their memories of growing up in Terrebonne Parish. Items need to be historical and tell a story about our heritage like old books and home items. We would like to have some of our members dress and wear period clothing. TGS will have a Trivia Contest with fun categories like food, founders/leadership, people, places, things and customs. If you would like to display your 15 generation chart for the meetings please let Wanda (985-804-9751) know by September 18, we have limited space and we will need to know how many will be displayed before the meeting and if you would like to come dressed in costume Wanda is making of list for this also. The meeting on Saturday, September 24 will be an all-day event, please bring your chart by 9 am so that we can set them up before the people start arriving.

### **SPEAKER**

Gayle BREUX SMITH was born in the heart of Cajun country in New Iberia, LA and grew up in Franklin, LA. Her Acadian roots include immediate ancestors with surnames such as Breaux, Dugas, Bourgeois, Boudreaux, Broussard, and Leblanc. Gayle's talk "**Les Aboiteaux: How Acadians turned Salt Marshes into Fertile Farmland**" is about how the Acadians farmed in Acadie. She and her husband John have traveled to France to walk in areas where Vincent

BRAULT might have ancestral roots near LaChaussee and visited the port at LaRoche, where he might have departed for Acadie. They have visited Nova Scotia and New Brunswick several times and have seen areas where the aboiteau are still in use today. She developed this presentation about four years ago and enjoys sharing the stories. Gayle and her husband John retired four years ago to Lafayette, Louisiana.

**GRA2022 – GRAND REVEIL ACADIENS – GREAT ACADIAN AWAKENING –  
OCTOBER 1 – 9, 2022**

Saturday, October 1 – Abbeville – Opening ceremonies

Trahan Family Reunion, contact Ray Trahan [ernestrtrahan@gmail.com](mailto:ernestrtrahan@gmail.com) (337) 288-1681  
and Vincent Family Reunion, contact Michael Vincent [mdv4838@yahoo.com](mailto:mdv4838@yahoo.com).

Sunday, October 2 – WBR Museum – Port Allen

Monday, October 3 – St. Martinville Parish

Tuesday, October 4 – Iberia Parish/Arnaudville

Wednesday, October 5 - Lafourche Parish

Thursday, October 6 - Downtown Lafayette

Friday, October 7 - Broussard town events & BROUSSARD Family Reunion,

Contact John Broussard [jhbrou@bellsouth.net](mailto:jhbrou@bellsouth.net).

Saturday, October 8 – Acadia Parish

Breaux Bridge - Breaux Family Reunion, contact [gaylebreauxsmith@gmail.com](mailto:gaylebreauxsmith@gmail.com)

Rayne - Guidry/Hebert Family Reunion, contact Marty Guidry

[guidryrmartin@gmail.com](mailto:guidryrmartin@gmail.com).

Sunday, October 9 – Lafayette – St. John’s Cathedral – Mass in French – Activities all day –

Closing ceremony

**QUERY**

Looking for any information on Joseph STEVENS & Eleonore/Nore TOUPS.

They had a daughter, Julia STEVENS born @ 1910. Julia Married John BREAUX 4 Apr 1929 in Gibson, LA. John BREAUX died in 1933. Julia STEVENS marr. 2nd on 10 Oct 1938 Houma minister to Sidney LECOMBE. Do not know anything about her parents or when and where she died. Any help would be appreciated.

Contact: Alice FORET. E-mail [bigdiamondmama@gmail.com](mailto:bigdiamondmama@gmail.com).

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**2022 MEETING SCHEDULE**

DATE	LOCATION	ROOM/FLOOR	BOARD	GENERAL
8-27-2022	Main Branch	D.E. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
9-24-2022	Main Branch	Large Rm 1 <sup>st</sup> Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
10-29-2022	Main Branch	Large Rm 1 <sup>st</sup> Fl	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
<i>No Meeting in November</i>				
12-10-2022	Main Branch	D. E. Rm 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl		Noon

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