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Annual Meeting Set for September 26th

Le Comité des Archives de la Louisiane has set its annual meeting for Sunday, September 26th, at 1 p.m., at the Embassy Suites in Baton Rouge. Please note the new meeting location. This year's meeting will not be held at the State Archives. The Embassy Suites may be familiar to those who have attended the last few Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Society's annual seminars. It is located off the I-10 College Drive exit at 4914 Constitution Avenue. Barry Ancelet of the University of the Louisiana Lafayette and co-author of *Dictionary of Louisiana French: As Spoken in Cajun, Creole, and Native American Communities*, will speak on this new book. Judy Riffel will also give a presentation on Louisiana Spanish Land Grants. Society books will be offered for sale, some at discounted prices. The program is available on the society's website (www.lecomite.org). It is free to members. Non-members may join at the door for \$15.

Website Update

As reported in the June issue of *Le Raconteur*, Le Comité's Website Development Task Force is working on enhancements to the society's website. Donations are being solicited to help defray the one-time costs of setting up these enhancements. To those who have stepped up with donations and offers of donations, a big THANK YOU! is in order. For those interested in donating, a PayPal donation button has been added to the society's main page to allow for secure and easy donations.

Work is continuing this summer developing the content for the proposed members' only section. This will include some of the society's out-of-print books and articles as well as some never-before-published archival finding aids. Some files need only minor reformatting while others are being input from scratch.

The society hopes to start adding these new features over the next year and then continually afterwards. In the meantime, updates will continue to be made to the current website. These include posting the quarterly *E-Communiqué* newsletter, quarterly tables of contents, and annual indexes.

In Memoriam

The society regrets to report the loss of one of its current members. Kinta Bousquet Delamain died at her home in Kill Devil Hills, NC, 12 May 2010, at the age of 77. She was a native of Bogalusa and the daughter of John Alphonse Bousquet and Ophelia Ann Tucker. She was an active genealogist and traced her ancestors to the Magna Charta and Mayflower. She is survived by her husband, three children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

Long-time members of the Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Society may remember an editor from years past. Yvette Guillot Boling, passed away 6 May 2010. She was a member of numerous genealogical organizations.

Natchitoches Area Pioneer Certificate Program

The Natchitoches Genealogical & Historical Association is launching a new program that will both foster an interest in genealogy and recognize descendants of this area's early settlers. It is called the Natchitoches Area Pioneer Settler Program and there is no cost to participate. Four different types of attractive certificates will be presented to residents of the Natchitoches area, depending on their arrival date.

The first will recognize descendants of Natchitoches Area Founding Pioneers, that is, settlers who arrived between 1714, when Louis Juchereau de St. Denis created the post, and 1750. The second will recognize Natchitoches Area Colonial Pioneers who arrived between 1751 and 1800. The third will be presented to descendants of Natchitoches Area Antebellum Pioneers, who settled between 1801 and 1850. And the final one will recognize families of Natchitoches Area 19th Century Pioneers who came between 1851 and 1900.

The certificates will not be limited to descendants of Natchitoches Parish pioneers alone, because the NGHHA focuses on a broader area. From the time of the Louisiana Purchase in 1803, to the beginning of statehood in 1812, what was then called Natchitoches County included all of northwestern Louisiana.

Applications are on hand at the NGHHA Library on the second floor of the Old Courthouse at 600 Second St., open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 318-357-2235; mail P.O. Box 1349, Natchitoches, LA 71458-1349; or email ngha71457@yahoo.com.

Library of Congress Adds More Newspapers

Last month, the Library of Congress added 275,000 pages to its Chronicling America website (<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov>). This included newspapers from four new states, Illinois, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Oregon, and expanded the site's time coverage into the Civil War era. The Chronicling America website provides access to information about historic newspapers and select digitized newspaper pages. It is updated quarterly.

In May, Deborah Thomas of the Library of Congress, made a presentation at LSU's Hill Memorial Library about this resource. As reported in the April *E-Communiqué*, the LSU

Libraries recently received a grant to digitize 100,000 pages of Louisiana newspapers. These images will be added to the Chronicling America database in 2011.

New Orleans Antiques Forum Set for August 5-8

The Historic New Orleans Collection will hold its 2010 Antiques Forum, entitled *Furnishing Louisiana: Early Creole and Acadian Styles*, August 5-8, at the Williams Research Center in the French Quarter. The four-day event is presented in anticipation of the publication of THNOC's long-awaited book on Louisiana furniture, due out in December. For registration information, see <http://www.hnoc.org/programs/AntiquesForum.html>.

Buller Family Reunion To Be Held September 18

Descendants of John Buhler of Germany and Marie Willene of Ireland will hold a family reunion in Lafayette on September 18th at Vermilionville, a recreated historic village located at 300 Fisher Road near the Lafayette Municipal Airport. Vermilionville contains the Buller House, circa 1803, built by Joseph Buller, only son of John and Marie. All family members are welcome. For more information, contact Brenda Fuselier (bbf664@lusfiber.net).

Calendar Expands

A number of new groups have been added to Le Comité's genealogical and historical societies contacts list. As a result, the calendar of events includes several new entries. Take a look at all the interesting events that are being held around the state and support these groups by attending some of their meeting. If you know of events that are not being listed, please contact the editor.

Calendar of Genealogical and Historical Society Meetings & Seminars

Louisiana genealogical and historical societies and libraries are invited to contact the editor (riffelj@bellsouth.net) and report their meetings and seminars for the upcoming quarter. Information should include the date, speaker, topic, location, time, whether or not non-members may attend, and any registration or contact information.

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| 1 July 2010 | Hungarian Settlement Historical Society
Location & Time: Albany-Springfield Library, Hungarian Settlement, 2 p.m. |
| 1 July 2010 | Madison Historical Society
Location & Time: Hermione Museum, Tallulah, 5:30 p.m.
Public is welcome |
| 3 July 2010 | Lafayette Genealogical Society
Speaker & Topic: Mary Langford, Preserving Family Stories
Location & Time: Lafayette South Regional Library, 9:30 a.m.
Free and open to the public |
| 6 July 2010 | Allen Genealogical & Historical Society
Location & Time: Kinder Library, 10 a.m. |

- 6 July 2010 Southwest Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Library
Speaker & Topic: Shirley Burwell, House Histories
Location & Time: Carnegie Memorial Library, Lake Charles, 10 a.m.
- 8 July 2010 Jefferson Genealogical Society
Workshop: Where Do I Start and Beyond
Location & Time: John Calvin Presbyterian Church, Metairie, 7:30 p.m.
Free and Open to the Public
- 10 July 2010 Ark-La-Tex Genealogical Association
Speaker & Topic: Don Weathersby, Peter Youree and his Impact on Shreveport and the Local Area
Location & Time: Randle T. Moore Center, Shreveport, 1 p.m.
Visitors are welcome
- 10 July 2010 Canary Islanders Heritage Society of Louisiana
Speaker & Topic: John Hickey, Canary Islanders in the Militia
Location & Time: Louisiana State Archives, Baton Rouge, 11 a.m.
Open to the public
- 10 July 2010 Imperial St. Landry Genealogical & Historical Society
Location & Time: Conference Rm, Opelousas General Hospital S. Campus, 10 a.m.
Public is welcome
- 10 July 2010 St. Tammany Parish Genealogical Society
Location & Time: St. Tammany Parish Library, Covington Branch, 10 a.m.
Free and open to the public
- 10 July 2010 West Baton Rouge Genealogical Society
Location & Time: West Baton Rouge Parish Library, Port Allen, 9:30 a.m.
Non-members are welcome
- 10 July 2010 Winn Genealogical & Historical Association
Location & Time: Winn Parish Health Unit, Winnfield, 10:30 a.m.
Guests are welcome
- 11 July 2010 Central Louisiana Genealogical Society
Location & Time: Alexandria Genealogical Library, Alexandria, 2:30 p.m.
- 11 July 2010 Northeast Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Society
Location & Time: Ouachita Parish Library, Monroe, 2:30 p.m.
- 12 July 2010 Catahoula Parish Historical Society
Location & Time: Jonesville Town Hall, 5 p.m.
- 13 July 2010 Los Isleños Heritage & Cultural Society
Location & Time: Islenos Museum, St. Bernard, 7 p.m.
- 13 July 2010 La Societé des Cajuns
Location & Time: Galliano Library, 6 p.m.
Guest are welcome
- 13 July 2010 Starks Historical Society
Location & Time: 308 Old River Road, Starks, 6:30 p.m.
- 15 July 2010 Edward Livingston Historical Assn.
Speaker & Topic: Judy Riffel, Unlikely, Uncommon, and Unexpected Genealogical Sources at the Louisiana State Archives
Location & Time: Livingston Parish Library, Livingston, 6 p.m.
- 15 July 2010 Lafayette Genealogical Society
Speaker & Topic: Elaine Clement, Difficulties in Tracing Her Ancestors in France
Location & Time: Lafayette South Regional Library, 9:30 a.m.
Open to the public
- 15 July 2010 Southwest Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Library
Topic: Organizing and Preserving Records
Location & Time: Carnegie Memorial Library, Lake Charles, 10 a.m.

- 17 July 2010 Algiers Historical Society
Speaker & Topic: " Miss Amy," The History of her New Home, 513 Patterson St.
Location & Time: Algiers Museum, 10 a.m.
- 17 July 2010 Baton Rouge Genealogical & Historical Society
Speaker & Topic: Tom Aswell, Louisiana Rocks! The True Genesis of Rock & Roll
Location & Time: Bluebonnet Library, Baton Rouge, 10 a.m.
Open to the public
- 17 July 2010 Evangeline Genealogical & Historical Society
Location & Time: Evangeline Parish Library, Ville Platte, 10 a.m.
- 17 July 2010 Louisiana Creole Research Association
Topic: A Creole Faubourg: Two Hundred Years of Historic Tremé
Location: New Orleans
- 17 July 2010 St. Bernard Genealogical Society
Topic: New Orleans research with Q&A session
Location & Time: St. Tammany Parish Library, Slidell, 10:30 a.m.
Guests are welcome
- 17 July 2010 Vernon Genealogical & Historical Society
Speaker & Topic: Weldon McDaniel, The widow of the last man killed at the Alamo
Location & Time: Vernon Parish Library, Leesville, 12:30 p.m.
Nonmembers are welcome
- 19-23 July 2010 Central Louisiana Genealogical Society
Genealogy Summer Camp for 12 to 15 year olds
Location & Time: Alexandria Genealogical Library, Alexandria, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
\$10 per camper. To register, 3katz@att.net
- 26 July 2010 French Settlement Historical Society
Location & Time: Creole House Museum, French Settlement, 7 p.m.
- 27 July 2010 German Acadian Coast Historical & Genealogical Society
Speaker & Topic: David Hubbell, Vacherie in Mourning: St. Philip Church Tornado
– August 24, 1924
Location & Time: St. John the Baptist Parish Library, LaPlace, 7 p.m.
- 27 July 2010 Vermilion Historical Society
Speaker & Topic: Gary Theall, The Life of Frank A. Godchaux, Sr. (1879-1965)
Location & Time: Vermilion Parish Library, Abbeville, 5:30 p.m.
Open to the public
- 31 July 2010 GENCOM
Location & Time: Hamilton South Caddo Library, Shreveport, 2 p.m.
Guests are welcome
- 31 July 2010 Save Our Cemeteries 2010 Cemetery Seminar & Guide Training
Topics: History and Sociology of Funerals, Baton Rouge' s Historic Highland
Cemetery, Acadian Grave Houses, and Conservation in St. Louis Cemetery No. 2
Location & Time: Loyola University, New Orleans, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- 31 July 2010 Terrebonne Genealogical Society
Location & Time: Terrebonne Parish Library Main Branch, Houma, 1 p.m.
Open to the public
- 3 Aug 2010 Southwest Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Library
Speaker & Topic: Ron Yule, Louisiana Music – Fiddlers
Location & Time: Carnegie Memorial Library, Lake Charles, 10 a.m.
- 5 Aug 2010 Hungarian Settlement Historical Society
Location & Time: Albany-Springfield Library, Hungarian Settlement, 2 p.m.
- 5 Aug 2010 Madison Historical Society
Location & Time: Hermione Museum, Tallulah, 5:30 p.m.
- 7 Aug 2010 Save Our Cemeteries Mentor Tour
Location & Time: Lafayette Cemetery No, 1, New Orleans, 9:30 a.m.
\$25 for SOC members/\$30 non-members, 504-525-3377

- 8 Aug 2010 Central Louisiana Genealogical Society
Location & Time: Alexandria Genealogical Library, Alexandria, 2:30 p.m.
- 8 Aug 2010 Northeast Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Society
Location & Time: Ouachita Parish Library, Monroe, 2:30 p.m.
- 8 Aug 2010 Save Our Cemeteries Mentor Tour
Location & Time: St. Louis Cemetery No. 1, New Orleans, 9:30 a.m.
\$25 for SOC members/\$30 non-members, 504-525-3377
- 9 Aug 2010 Catahoula Parish Historical Society
Location & Time: Jonesville Town Hall, 5 p.m.
- 10 Aug 2010 Los Isleños Heritage & Cultural Society
Location & Time: Islenos Museum, St. Bernard, 7 p.m.
- 10 Aug 2010 La Societé des Cajuns
Location & Time: Galliano Library, 6 p.m.
Guest are welcome
- 10 Aug 2010 Starks Historical Society
Location & Time: 308 Old River Road, Starks, 6:30 p.m.
- 12 Aug 2010 Jefferson Genealogical Society
Speaker & Topic: Jane Brooks, Historic Preservation
Location & Time: John Calvin Presbyterian Church, Metairie, 7:30 p.m.
Free and open to the public
- 12 Aug 2010 St. Bernard Genealogical Society
Location & Time: St. Tammany Parish Library, Slidell, 10:30 a.m.
Guests are welcome
- 14 Aug 2010 Ark-La-Tex Genealogical Association Seminar
Speaker & Topics: John Sellers, What's Hidden In Courthouse Records; Learning where Your Ancestors Played, Prayed, Lived and Died; History's Role in Your Genealogical Pursuits; and What do You Mean it (courthouse) Burned?
Location: Activity Hall, Broadmoor United Methodist Church, Shreveport
\$35 including lunch
- 14 Aug 2010 Canary Islanders Heritage Society of Louisiana
Topic: Field trip to speak with Canario descendants in the New Iberia area
Open to the public
- 14 Aug 2010 Imperial St. Landry Genealogical & Historical Society
Location & Time: Conference Rm, Opelousas General Hospital S. Campus, 10 a.m.
Public is welcome
- 14 Aug 2010 Lafourche Heritage Society Annual Meeting and Seminar
Location & Time: Envie' s Restaurant, Thibodaux
Pre-registration required to receive meal
- 14 Aug 2010 Pointe de l' Eglise: Acadia Genealogical & Historical Society
Speaker: Robert Barousse, Acadia Parish Clerk of Court
Location & Time: Acadia Parish Library, Crowley, 9:30 a.m.
Visitors are welcome
- 14 Aug 2010 St. Tammany Parish Genealogical Society
Location & Time: St. Tammany Parish Library, Covington Branch, 10 a.m.
Free and open to the public
- 19 Aug 2010 Edward Livingston Historical Assn.
Location & Time: Livingston Parish Library, Livingston, 6 p.m.
- 19 Aug 2010 Southwest Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Library
Topic: Electronic Resources
Location & Time: Carnegie Memorial Library, Lake Charles, 10 a.m.
- 21 Aug 2010 Algiers Historical Society
Location & Time: Algiers Museum, 10 a.m.
- 21 Aug 2010 Baton Rouge Genealogical & Historical Society
Speaker & Topic: Gayle Breaux Smith, Footsteps in Time: The Breaux Family and

- Other Acadians
 Location & Time: Bluebonnet Library, Baton Rouge, 10 a.m.
 Open to the public
- 21 Aug 2010 Vernon Genealogical & Historical Society
 Speaker & Topic: John Crook, Historical Markers in Vernon Parish
 Location & Time: Vernon Parish Library, Leesville, 12:30 p.m.
 Nonmembers are welcome
- 22 Aug 2010 DeSoto Historical Society
 Location & Time: TBA, 3 p.m.
 Visitors are welcome
- 28 Aug 2010 Terrebonne Genealogical Society
 Location & Time: Terrebonne Parish Library Main Branch, Houma, 1 p.m.
 Open to the public
- 2 Sept 2010 Hungarian Settlement Historical Society
 Location & Time: Albany-Springfield Library, Hungarian Settlement, 2 p.m.
- 2 Sept 2010 Madison Historical Society
 Location & Time: Hermione Museum, Tallulah, 5:30 p.m.
 Public is welcome
- 4 Sept 2010 Lafayette Genealogical Society
 Location & Time: Lafayette Public Library, 9:30 a.m.
 Free and open to the public
- 7 Sept 2010 Southwest Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Library
 Speaker & Topic: Danielle Miller, Batson Case – Guilty or Not
 Location & Time: Carnegie Memorial Library, Lake Charles, 10 a.m.
- 9 Sept 2010 Jefferson Genealogical Society
 Speaker & Topic: Judy Mills, Her Ancestor in the War Between the States
 Location & Time: John Calvin Presbyterian Church, Metairie, 7:30 p.m.
 Free & open to the public
- 9 Sept 2010 Mid City Historical Cemeteries Coalition
 Speaker & Topic: Myrna Bergeron, “ Good Mourning”: Mourning Customs, Traditions, Jewelry, Attire, and Related Matters that Made Funerals in the Past Both Unique and Memorable
 Location & Time: Bluebonnet Library, Baton Rouge, 6 p.m.
 Nonmembers are welcome
- 11 Sept 2010 Ark-La-Tex Genealogical Association
 Location & Time: Randle T. Moore Center, Shreveport, 1 p.m.
 Visitors are welcome
- 11 Sept 2010 Canary Islanders Heritage Society of Louisiana
 Speaker & Topic: Dr. Rob Mann, Celebrate Galveztown and Galveztown Ancestors
 Location & Time: Louisiana State Archives, Baton Rouge, 11 a.m.
 Open to the public
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 Location & Time: Conference Rm, Opelousas General Hospital S. Campus, 10 a.m.
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 Location & Time: Ouachita Parish Library, Monroe, 2:30 p.m.

- 13 Sept 2010 Catahoula Parish Historical Society
Location & Time: Jonesville Town Hall, 5 p.m.
- 14 Sept 2010 Los Isleños Heritage & Cultural Society
Location & Time: Islenos Museum, St. Bernard, 7 p.m.
- 14 Sept 2010 Louisiana Historical Society
Location & Time: 6330 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, 7:30 p.m.
- 14 Sept 2010 La Societé des Cajuns
Location & Time: Galliano Library, 6 p.m.
Guest are welcome
- 14 Sept 2010 Starks Historical Society
Location & Time: 308 Old River Road, Starks, 6:30 p.m.
- 16 Sept 2010 Edward Livingston Historical Assn.
Location & Time: Livingston Parish Library, Livingston, 6 p.m.
- 16 Sept 2010 Lafayette Genealogical Society
Location & Time: Lafayette Public Library, 6 p.m.
Open to the public
- 18 Sept 2010 Algiers Historical Society
Location & Time: Algiers Museum, 10 a.m.
- 18 Sept 2010 Baton Rouge Genealogical & Historical Society
Speaker & Topic: Anna Sanders, My Country Called
Location & Time: Bluebonnet Library, Baton Rouge, 10 a.m.
Open to the public
- 18 Sept 2010 St. Bernard Genealogical Society
Location & Time: St. Tammany Parish Library, Slidell, 10:30 a.m.
Guests are welcome
- 18 Sept 2010 Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Society
Speaker & Topic: Linda Gill, The 1910 Fire – Lake Charles, La.
Location & Time: Carnegie Memorial Library, Lake Charles, 10 a.m.
- 18 Sept 2010 Vernon Genealogical & Historical Society
Speaker & Topic: Jason Church, Cemeteries
Location & Time: Vernon Parish Library, Leesville, 12:30 p.m.
Nonmembers are welcome
- 20 Sept 2010 Genealogical Research Society of New Orleans
Location & Time: Whitney Bank, 1441 Metairie Road, Metairie, 7:30 p.m.
Visitors are welcome
- 22 Sept 2010 Calcasieu Historical Preservation Society
TBA
- 25 Sept 2010 GENCOM
Location & Time: Hamilton South Caddo Library, Shreveport, 2 p.m.
Guests are welcome
- 25 Sept 2010 Terrebonne Genealogical Society
Location & Time: Terrebonne Parish Library Main Branch, Houma, 1 p.m.
Open to the public
- 26 Sept 2010 Le Comité des Archives de la Louisiane Annual Meeting
Speakers & Topics: Dr. Barry Jean Ancelet, Dictionary of Louisiana French, and
Judy Riffel, Louisiana Spanish Land Grants
Location & Time: Embassy Suites, Baton Rouge, 1 p.m.
Members only, nonmembers may join at the door
- 28 Sept 2010 German Acadian Coast Historical & Genealogical Society
Speaker & Topic: Fr. Fred Youngs, Laiche Family Genealogy
Location & Time: St. John the Baptist Parish Library, LaPlace, 7 p.m.
- 28 Sept 2010 Natchitoches Genealogical & Historical Assn.
Location & Time: Arts Center, Natchitoches, 7 p.m.
Public is invited