

Lafayette Genealogical Society
General Monthly Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2021

Call to Order

The monthly meeting of the Lafayette Genealogical Society was held Thursday, November 18, 2021, at the South Regional Lafayette Public Library located at 6101 Johnston Street. The meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room and presented via zoom.

The meeting was called to order by President Joan Boudreaux, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for all who are deceased, including our ancestors and members.

A welcome and an introduction of our guests and members were announced.

Approval of Previous Minutes

President Joan Boudreaux announced that the minutes for the October, 2021 meeting were online and available for review on the <http://lafayettegenealogicalsociety.org> website.

A motion was made, seconded and voted on affirmatively to approve the minutes as posted on the LGS site and dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Treasurer's Report

LGS treasure, Warren Leblanc presented the current financials as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT JULY-OCTOBER					
Beginning Balance	\$6,017.94			New Members for 2021	29
Dues	\$220.00			Total Members	127
Books sold/Donations					
Supplements sold					
Acadian Project					
Banquet					
Publication expense					
Speaker Meals				The new members for this month are	
Banquet Expenses				Pauline Green	
Office expense (Web site)	-\$252.06			Leana & Russell Miller	
Other expenses/Rent	-\$204.00			Katherine Rolfes	
Library book					
Project (Sec. of State)	-\$75.00				
Ending Balance	\$5,706.88				

MEMBERS ANNIVERSARY							
January's		Years			May's		Years
Barbara Thibodeaux		12			Thomas & Karren Hays		7
Joan & Ronald Boudreaux		7			Henry & Shirley Peterson		7
Tracy & Craig Frederick		5			Margaret Lynn Dubois		6
February's					June's		
James & Lona Bourque		32			James & Gloria Peterson		13
Warren LeBlanc		30			Regina Bourgeois		12
Brenda & John Fuselier		29			Shirley LeBlanc		8
JoAnn Pugh		28			Sandra & Donald Garber		7
Brenda Thibodeaux		13			July's		
Joy Youngblood		8			Marella Wilkerson		11
Adeline & Lee Feist		5			Jasper & Mary Rizzo		6
Shirley & Cecil Broussard		4			August's		
Shera LaPoint		3			Marcus & Francine Andrepont		9
Jerry & Margaret Tauzin		3			Kathy & Buddy Pellerin		9
March's					John Love		7
Calice & Julia Breaux		12			September's		
Kathy Higginbotham		9			Elaine & Allen Lopez		10
Donna Latiolais		9			Dana & Gayle Guidry		7
Terry Graham		7			Janice & Craig Plaisance		4
Tamra Broussard		8			October's		
Sabrina & M.H. Cassetori		3			November's		
Debra Broussard		3			Elaine Bourque		7
Marian Dunbar		3			December's		
April's					Julie Hernandez		11
Everett & Norma Thompson		13					
David & Cindy Landry		11					
Mildred Meyers		6					

A motion was made, seconded and voted on affirmatively to approve the finances.

New Business

Membership dues in the amount of \$20.00 are due in January 2022. Revised membership applications will be forthcoming. Only paid members are invited to our zoom meetings. Monthly meetings held at the library are open to the public.

Veronica, our webmaster is currently working on the website redesign, to have the option for payment online. Also, photos of our members are only visible to paying members on our website.

A vote was held for our 2022 slate of officers. They are as follows;

- President – Marc Andrepont
- Vice-President – Vacant
- Vice-President Elect – Joan L. Boudreaux
- Treasurer – Warren LeBlanc
- Secretary – Cheryl Huner

A discussion of further nominations was held to fill the vacant position of Vice-President and to vote all in favor or oppose the newly elected officers. Please provide information to an officer, if you know of anyone that would be interested to fill the vacant position of Vice-President.

A motion was made, seconded and voted on affirmatively to approve the officers of 2022.

Old Business

A reminder was mentioned to our members to submit any publications of family trees, a 4th generation chart, interesting stories of ancestors, article of family members, charts, etc. Please submit by pdf or searchable format for publications to Kathy Pellerin at her email address, Kathy.pellerin@yahoo.com. All information should be submitted by December 1, 2021.

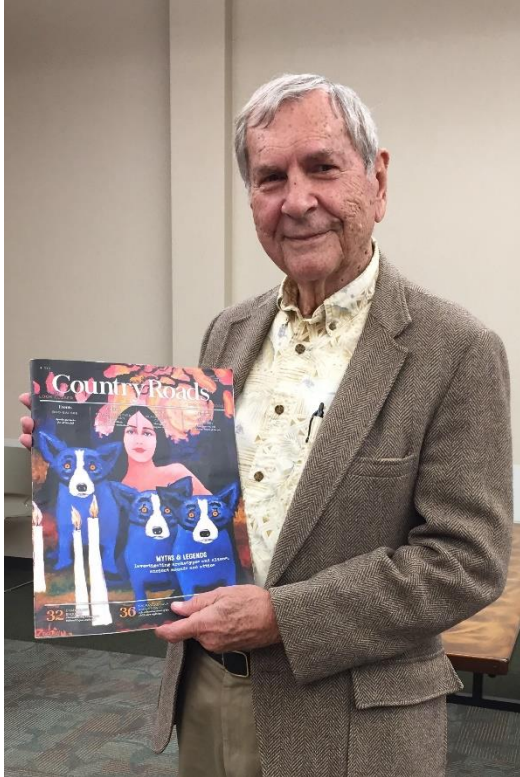
The Lafayette Genealogical Society Annual Christmas Banquet will be held at the Petroleum Club in Lafayette, on Wednesday, December 8, 2021 at 11:00 am. At entry of the banquet, a fee of \$20.00 per person will be collected. Our guest speaker for this occasion is forthcoming.

Evening Speaker

Mr. John Francois was our guest speaker for the evening. Mr. Francois is a retired history teacher, U.S. Navy veteran and an accomplished author of historical fiction novels and short stories based on facts. He entertained the group with his little known story of the Acadians from the Opelousas Post Militia, who were victorious against the British in the American Revolution. His story was recently published in the October 2021 issue of the local Country Roads Magazine and can be viewed at:

https://issuu.com/countryroadsmag/docs/cr_oct1/s/13465545

His genealogy research led him to one of his ancestors, Francois Pitre, listed on one of the rosters of the Opelousas Post Militia. The story of the men of the Opelousas Militia is told in his historical novel *The March*.



All of the historical novels by John Francois are as follows:

- The March
- Cajun Fire
- Cajun Knights (Cajun Fire sequel)
- Carrier-of-Bones
- Pontiac
- Revolutions

Purchasing information for all of his fascinating novels are available on his website at: <https://www.johnfrancois.com> For further information, his email address is jfrancois1@earthlink.net

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Plaisance