

Lafayette Genealogical Society
General Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2024

Call to Order

The monthly meeting of the Lafayette Genealogical Society was held Thursday, February 15, 2024 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. Marc Andrepont, President, called the meeting to order. He led the Pledge of Allegiance, and requested a moment of silence to honor all who are deceased, including our ancestors and members no longer with us.

A welcome was extended to all. There were 19 members and guests in attendance.

Approval of Previous Minutes

The President announced that the minutes for the January 2024 meeting were online and available for review on the Lafayette Genealogical Society <http://LALGS.org> website.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as written. There was a unanimous vote in the affirmative to approve the minutes as posted on the LGS site, and to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report will be available online beginning February 2024.

New Members and Anniversaries by month are available by request from the Treasurer, Jim Todd.

Warren LeBlanc, our outgoing Treasurer was commended for 35 years of service.

A motion was made by an LGS member, seconded by another, and voted on affirmatively by all members present to approve the Treasurer's Report for January 2024 and for future Treasurer's reports to be available online.

Old Business

Dues are due for 2024. Dues are \$20.

Our President, Marc Andrepont, acknowledged the work of members to help the public with any genealogical questions every Tuesday (Genealogy Tuesdays) from 9:30 to 11:30 AM at the downtown library, 3rd Floor, Room 3A. He pointed out that this service is continuing and enjoyed by clients every week. This will resume on March 2, 2024. This is a free service.

Genealogy TUESDAYS at Main Library from 9:30AM-11:30AM. – more Volunteers are needed to help as regular Volunteers can't always make it.

Acadian Memorial Festival will be March 16, 2024. There will be a genealogy table. Our computer will be there, beginning at 8:30AM, the St. Martinville Public Library will provide free Wifi. We will have access to Henry's website (www.hpeterjr.us). This Festival is honoring the Cormier's and Dupuis'.

New Business

Status of our storage facility – Our Officers, Marc and Joan and other members visited our storage unit and cleared out old genealogy records consisting of unsourced information as well as information on old CD's. There was also a binding machine with rings. Officers will allow members to borrow it for one week. Hard copies of Les Memoirs and old pictures with no dates but some names were also found. The storage fee is \$1,000 annually, which amounts to 40% of our dues. A storage alternative will be needed eventually. Donations are accepted for this expense.

“Les Memoires”

Les Memoires (our club's annual publication) submissions are now due. Anyone interested in presenting information (past or current) pertaining to relevant genealogy whether established fact or research, will be welcomed to deliver their findings at any meeting of choice. Make your intentions to present what you are working on known to any of the board members so that it can be scheduled.

Next Month's meeting will be March 21, 2024.

Presentation of Speakers

This month's Speaker was Cynthia Breaux Seitz of Seitz Travel, specializing in Heritage Tours. She is a certified French teacher, a busy wife and mom of three children. She is the owner of Seitz Travel and schedules heritage tours to Canada and Europe. Cynthia passed around several books that included pictures of tours for members to view. She presented a slide show and lectured about several past tours and gave advertisements including dates of future tours. Her website is www.seitztravel.com.



Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn, seconded, and agreed upon to end the meeting.

This concludes the statement of the minutes of the February 15, 2024 meeting of the Lafayette Genealogical Society.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Landry, Secretary