

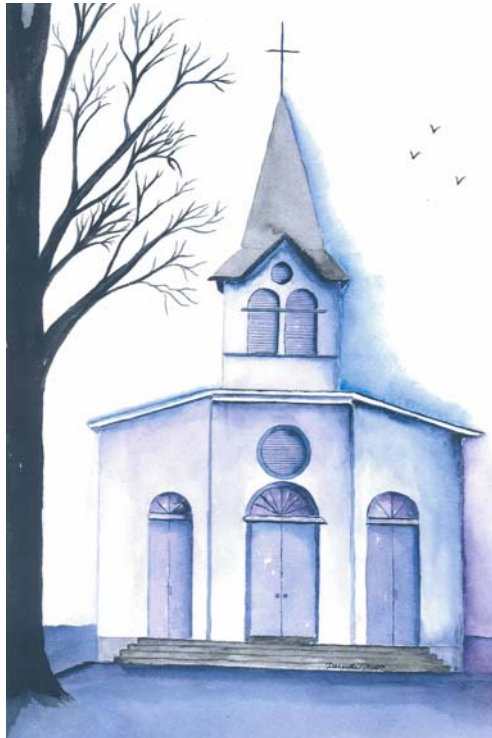
# **CAJUNS, CREOLES, PIRATES AND PLANTERS**

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**PATOUTVILLE CEMETERY:** St. Nicholas Cemetery is a small cemetery in Patoutville, a community located near Jeanerette in Iberia Parish. In 1852, a chapel was established at Isle Piquant, as the area was then known. Formal recognition was made in 1868 by the Diocese of New Orleans when St. Nicholas Parish was established. Two years later, the church site itself was moved nearby to an 18-acre parcel where a larger wooden structure was erected. It remained there until 1964 when the wooden structure was badly damaged in Hurricane Hilda. A new one was then built in the nearby community of Lydia. The cemetery remains at the original church site on Patout Road.

The September issue of *Le Raconteur* contains an index to the tombstones from St. Nicholas Cemetery. It was compiled by Don Louviere and Nancy Armentor Lees with assistance from C. Michael Bodin, Shirley Broussard, Darnell Delcambre, Bryan Hebert, Stanley LeBlanc, Carolyn T. Louviere, Peter Patout, Rogers Romero, and Julaine Deare Schexnayder. The group took digital photographs of the entire cemetery and recorded each burial location with global positioning system coordinates (GPS). The index published in *Le Raconteur* provides the GPS coordinates for each tomb along with names and dates of birth and death. A map reproduced on the inside back cover shows the locations of the sections and rows.



**"Twilight," an original watercolor of St. Nicholas Church  
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Other items of interest in the September issue include a transcription of Passports, Permissions, and Licenses granted by the Spanish Governor General in 1771; an 1834 letter written by Susan B. Thomas, wife of Captain David Thomas of East Feliciana Parish; extracts from the *Iberville Ambassador* for 1837 and 1838; Natchitoches Parish Business Licenses for 1870; and the second of a two-part listing of miscellaneous St. Landry Parish records.

The September issue of *Le Raconteur* is available with the 2011 membership in Le Comité des Archives de la Louisiane. To subscribe, mail \$20 to Le Comité at P.O. Box 1547, Baton Rouge, LA 70821, or visit their website at [www.lecomite.org](http://www.lecomite.org) to download a membership application.

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**ACADIA PUBLICATION:** The August issue of *A La Pointe* has been released, and it is again filled with wonderful genealogical data. This is the quarterly newsletter of the Pointe de l'Eglise: Acadia Genealogical and Historical Society of Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

The group met last Saturday (August 13) with Dr. John Doucet, the Director of University Honors Program and Associate Professor of Biological Sciences at Nicholls State University, who spoke on genetics. The meeting was held at the Crowley branch of the Acadia Parish Library, located at 1125 N. Parkerson Avenue in Crowley.

Gene Thibodeaux always adds interesting material to this publication. His latest is a discussion of famous (and infamous) uncles, and it is not only interesting reading but is loaded with genealogical information. Other biographical sketches were taken from the Crowley Signal newspaper with many including pictures. Red Quebodeaux also included Acadia Parish Marriage License Index for 1917, the Zaunbrechers golden anniversary in February of 1986 was taken from the Church Point News, and a reprint of Mary Alice Fontenot's Millerville article came from the Crowley Post-Signal.

Individual dues in this organization are \$20.00, and this includes copies of *A La Pointe*. Direct all correspondence to the group at P.O. Box 497, Crowley, LA 70527. You can also reach them at [www.rootsweb.com/~lapehgs](http://www.rootsweb.com/~lapehgs).

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**TERREBONNE PUBLICATION:** *Terrebonne Life Lines* is published by the Terrebonne Genealogical Society, and their summer issue is another good publication containing a lot of research data. Membership dues are \$25.00, and this also includes the quarterly publication.

In this issue, Sara Foerster Sick compiled an excellent (and illustrated) article on the Casey and O'Rourke connections of early Tigerville, Louisiana. She has included not only pictures of early family members but included a baptismal certificate for Hugh O'Rourke. Catherine Callopy submitted a nice article on James Dinsmore from New Hampshire to Natchez, Mississippi, and then to Terrebonne Parish.

Other information covered the Robichaux family, French ancestors of Francois Andras, Hotard lineage, Michel/Theriot/Picou/Henry data, Hebert information by way of an oral history tape, the Raymond Knight family, and much, much more miscellaneous data. Further information on this group can be obtained from them at Box 20295, Houma, LA 70360-0295.

Their website is [www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~laterreb/tgs/](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~laterreb/tgs/).

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**CANARY ISLANDERS:** Chad Leblanc of the Canary Islanders Heritage Society will be the guest speaker at the Pierre Part Library, 2800 Highway 70 S, Pierre Part, Louisiana on Saturday, August 27th at 2 p.m. He will present an overview of the Canary Islanders, how they came to Louisiana and where they settled. Special emphasis will be given the settlements of Galveztown, which was near Prairieville, and Valenzuela which was near Donaldsonville.

Information about the Canary Islanders Heritage Society of Louisiana can be found on the web at [www.canaryislanders.org](http://www.canaryislanders.org). You may contact the president of the society by e-mail: [llindsly@canaryislanders.org](mailto:llindsly@canaryislanders.org).

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