



Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Society

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LGHS Announces Changes to Board of Directors

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 22 April 2024 — The Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Society is pleased to announce that a new board has been elected. The board members are: Robert Brevelle (Chairman), Dr. Martin Guidry (Vice President), Dr. Mark Choi (Secretary), and Patricia Ponthier (Treasurer).

“We thank the outgoing board members for their service and stewardship of the society through the Covid-19 pandemic,” said Robert Brevelle, the new Chairman of the LGHS. “The pandemic essentially put a halt to meetings and seminars, and many nonprofits did not survive. Your commitment and leadership saved our society. As we take the helm, we are focused on growing our membership and programs for the genealogists, historians, and people of Louisiana.”

The Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Society (LGHS) was founded in 1953 to collect, preserve, and publish genealogical and historical materials for the State of Louisiana and its people. The Society works closely with genealogy and ancestry libraries, historical societies, state agencies, research facilities and universities. The Society is headquartered in Baton Rouge and sponsors a spring and fall seminar each year at the Louisiana State Archives building. The Society maintains the official registry of the *First Families of Louisiana* - recognizing families who settled within the present boundaries of the state prior to the Louisiana Purchase. For over 70 years, the Society has published The *Louisiana Genealogical Register* - an eclectic collection of Louisiana records as well as historical and genealogical articles. Over 100 libraries subscribe to this journal. Other publications include historical books such as *Louisiana Soldiers in the War of 1812*, *Federal Census of 1810 for Territory of Orleans*, *A guide to Printed Sources for Genealogical and Historical Research in the Louisiana Parishes*, *Be it Known and Remembered: Bible Records (Volumes 1-5)*, and *Early Louisiana Families*.

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