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Happ'ns in the 'hood

St. Roch Market Meeting

An informal meeting was held on May 19 concerning progress in having the renovated St. Roch Market building put into use. The consensus was that overall, there needs to be a public process for the market and a more transparent process. The FMIA is continuing to work with the City and other neighborhood groups to find the best tenant for the St. Roch Market and ensure the selection process is fair, transparent and meaningful.



Megabus

People living near Elysian Fields and St. Claude have noticed an increase in traffic related to the Megabus stop on Elysian Fields at the Rob ert lot. They are operating there around the clock, and have started putting cones out to block the street. The number of passengers has been getting larger and larger. Often there are two to three buses at a time loading and unloading.

Local residents and businesses are complaining there are no trash receptacles from trash generated and no rest rooms for their patrons. There is also an issue with noise.

When asked about this situation, Freddie King III from Councilmember Ramsey's office stated:

"The city does not regulate Megabus, as it is an Interstate Commerce Carrier similar to Greyhound. The Elysian Fields location is a bus stop. Technically, Megabus is allowed to operate at any such zone while loading and unloading, but can't stay for long periods of time. As long as

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Spring Home Tour

Our 42nd Annual FMIA Home and Garden Tour was on Sunday, May 18. Thanks to **Carol Gniady**, **Gretchen Bomboy** and **Ken Caron** for making this year's tour a success. Thanks also to our participating B&Bs:

- R & B B&B, 736 Frenchmen
- A Creole Cottage, 1827 Dauphine
- Little Eazy Guest House, 1526 Pauger
- Elysian Fields Inn, 930 Elysian Fields
- The Auld Sweet Olive, 2460 N. Rampart
- Balcony Guest House, 2483 Royal
- Claiborne Mansion, 2111 Dauphine



As a bonus this year, Balcony Guest House held a raffle of a bottle of champagne, won by **Scott Graves**. Congratulations Scott!

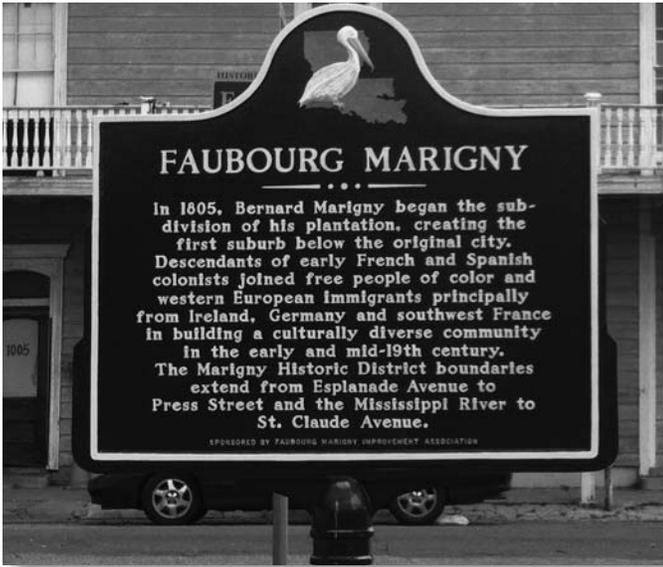


This year's tour celebrated legally operating B&B's and Guest Houses in the Marigny, and had the additional purpose of calling attention to the serious issue of illegal short term rentals. For more information on this topic you can go to faubourgmarigny.org.

Funds raised at the Home Tour support FMIA initiatives such as maintenance and repairs to Washington Square Park. The Washington Square Park Festival is free and open to the public. *Volunteers: Please either save for re-use or return your badges.*

More photos from the Home Tour on page 3

New Markers



A huge round of applause for Matt Easley (not pictured) and Nelson Belou (also not pictured), who picked up and installed the new markers.

Community Walk in the Marigny

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Community Walk in the Marigny Triangle. These walks provide everyone with an opportunity to meet and interact with the police and provide Crimestoppers information to citizens.

If you want a walk in your neighborhood or have suggestions for walks in the upcoming months, email them to Sergeant Jonette Williams at jrwilliams@nola.gov.



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About the Newsletter

Les Amis de Marigny is the newsletter of the Faubourg Marigny Improvement Association, a 501(c) non-profit, all-volunteer organization committed to the preservation of the unique architectural and cultural heritage of our historic district, and to improving the quality of life in our diverse community. Contents, editorials and opinions expressed do not necessarily reflect the official views of the FMIA, its Board or its members. The FMIA does not warrant the legality of any business advertised in its newsletter. Contents of *Les Amis de Marigny* are copyrighted. Permission to reprint any of the newsletter, including photographs and original artwork, must be obtained from the editor and/or byline columnist.

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Megabus is getting in and out, they are within the regulations. Other cities have regulated curb-side bus company operations, but New Orleans does not."

This stop is listed on the Megabus website (us.megabus.com/BusStops.aspx) as a temporary location. According to John Emberson, Southern District General Manager of Coach USA:

"The city temporarily moved Mega bus to its current location, which should last for about two more weeks."



Have you seen this portly fellow?

This quote was from May 22, therefore the bus stop should theoretically be relocated by June 5.

Cafe Istanbul

There was a very late night show on Sunday, May 18 at Cafe Istanbul that lasted way past the authorized 2am closing hour. Patrons exited the doors and made excessive noise as they were leaving the parking lot.

These issues of excessive loitering and noise emanating from the parking lot had been brought to the FMIA

Board's attention by neighbors at the last board meeting, with evidence of:

- Loitering onsite and in the adjacent public rights-of-way is not sufficiently discouraged
- The security guard not patrolling enough in the parking lot and asking patrons to leave quietly
- Doors of the amusement place not kept closed every time when music is played

The neighbors have brought to the FMIA board a petition signed by 10 residents living in the immediate vicinity and have requested the FMIA to enforce the remedies section of the Community Benefits Agreements signed by Cafe Istanbul. To read the CBA go to faubourgmarigny.org/archives.html and click on the link: *Community Benefit Agreement by and between Cafe Istanbul and FMIA*

Additional 5th District Quality of Life Officer

The 5th District would like to introduce Officer **Dwight Alcorn** as an additional 5th District Quality of Life Officer. Officer Alcorn is a 12 year veteran of the New Orleans Police Department and has served in various districts in various capacities. Officer Alcorn can be contacted in regards to quality of life concerns for the 5th District at:

5th District Station 504-658-6050; 504-658-6557 (Direct); 504-352-1157 (Departmental Cell) or email DAlcorn@nola.gov



Spring Home Tour



The Sound on the Street

By Jonathan Rhodes, St. Claude Main Street Volunteer Board President

For those of us living on or near the St. Claude corridor, our vibrant cultural community is obvious. So it's nice to see others around the state recognizing our diverse community of artists and nonprofits for their work.

This year, St. Claude Main Street was selected to receive the **Main Street Award** at the Louisiana Culture Awards at the State Capitol Museum in Baton Rouge. The Louisiana Culture Awards, which are presented by the Office of Cultural Development, recognize the best efforts made to highlight and cultivate Louisiana's rich cultural resources.

The Main Street Award Recognizes a Main Street community that exemplifies the strategic use of creativity, historic preservation and/or culture to build a climate for cultural expression, improve quality of life, enhance existing assets and strengthen economic opportunity while respecting the quality of the place.

The awards are part of the state's annual Cultural Connection Conference, an event that brings together arts, historic preservation, archaeology, and French language stakeholders from throughout Louisiana. Lieutenant Governor Jay Dardenne presented the award, citing the organization's continued dedication to revitalizing New Orleans' historic St. Claude corridor.

We believe that this award truly recognizes the artists and arts organizations that have established our unique community and built momentum for its rebirth. We are honored to be working beside this community, and hope that they are proud of this recognition from the state. Founded in 2007 by a coalition of community members committed to the economic revitalization of St. Claude's diverse and historic corridor.

St. Claude Main Street is part of the statewide network of Main Street organizations. SCMS works within the larger St. Claude Cultural District, including the neighborhoods of St. Roch, Bunny Friend, Bywater, and the Faubourg Marigny, with specific focus on the development of St. Claude Avenue from Elysian Fields to Poland Ave. For more information, visit stclaude.org.



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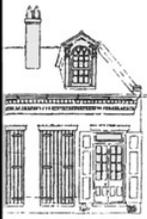


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June 2014

Board Meeting

June 4, 7 pm,
Room 256 at the Healing Center

Meet the Neighbors

June 11, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Horn's, 1940 Dauphine Street

General Meeting

June 16, 6:30 Pot Luck, 7:15 Meeting
St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2624 Burgundy Street

July 2014

Board Meeting

July 2, 7 pm,
Room 256 at the Healing Center

Meet the Neighbors

July 9, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
HYPH3N ART, 1901 Royal Street

General Meeting

No General Meeting for July

NONPAC MEETINGS

5th District — 2nd Wednesday

6 pm, 4015 Burgundy Street

8th District — 2nd Thursday

6 pm, location varies between 334 Royal and the Healing Center

FREE FUN

St Claude Arts District

2nd Saturday: see www.scadnola.com

Chess Lessons

Thursdays, 5 pm,
Alvar Library, 913 Alvar Street

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Marigny Green News

By Deborah Oppenheim



Go Green

Summer is here and so are the pests that eat your plants. There are various natural repellents that can be used to deter these insects.

There are organic pesticides that are effective and safe. It is important to identify the insects before using organic pesticides. I have been successful using products from Gardens Alive (GardensAlive.com). There are some insects that are beneficial such as Ladybugs and worms (Beneficial Nematodes).

Suggestions for organic pesticides:

- Nocturnal caterpillars and cutworms: Bacillus thuringiensis (BT)
- Slugs and snails: Sluggo (Iron phosphate)
- Mosquitoes: use a repellent such as Mosquito Barrier that is a strong garlic spray
- Mealy bugs, Aphids, Scale, White Fly, Leafminer, Spider Mites: oil sprays such as Organocide (Sesame and Fish Oils)
- Silverfish, fleas, cockroaches inside your home: Pyrethrin "bombs" as well as Boric Acid
- Sugar, red and black ants: a liquid ant bait works such as PIC
- NEEM is an organic pesticide that can be used on your plants. It will kill the bad and the good bugs as well as honey bees. If you use it, do not spray the blooms.
- Slugs come out at night to eat your plants. Slugs are attracted to water so it is wise to water your garden in the morning. One method to eliminate slugs is to crush up egg shells and place them around your plants. Another method is to use 2 inch copper wire around your plants. Some people lightly sprinkle coffee grounds around the plants.

- There is also the mechanical technique by knocking off the bugs with your hand.
- Pepper Spray is a natural bug spray that the bugs do not like because it is spicy. It is not a poisonous spray and should be re-applied after a rain because it washes off.
- It is suggested if you are pregnant have someone do all the various types of spraying. Your participation can be supervising.

Use your common sense when spraying and wear protective gear because you do not want to get it in your eyes or on your body.

How to Make Natural Spray:

Ingredients: garlic, hot red peppers, mint, Palmolive dish detergent

1. Mash up garlic.
2. Put the mashed garlic, hot red peppers and mint into a pan of water and heat to almost boiling.
3. Remove the liquid from the stove and let it sit overnight.
4. Strain the liquid in the morning.
5. Add a couple of squirts of Palmolive dish detergent per gallon to the liquid. Do not use blue Dawn, the de-greaser will wilt or kill the leaves.
6. Put in a spray bottle for use.

For more information visit LSU Ag Center's Best Pest Management Practices and Mac's Field Guides to Southeast Garden Bugs.



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Did you ever wonder who these people are? ↑

Find out at the next Meet your Neighbors!
And if you have a favorite place in the neighborhood that you think would be interested in hosting an upcoming event, let us know by emailing editor@faubourgmarigny.org.

Fizz, Boom, Read!

By Adele Marrs, Assistant Manager,
Alvar Branch, New Orleans Public Library



Fizz, Boom, Read! Science is the theme for this year's Summer Reading Program. At the New Orleans Public Library this means that over the next couple of months we will host a plethora of intriguing and engaging programs for people of all ages. As you all know, at Alvar this year's program began with our May kickoff party. Attendees built a Mentos geyser, made invisible ink, created their own ice cream sundaes, and even held bubbles in their hands! This was just the very beginning of a summer filled with wonderful, science-themed fun at Alvar and throughout all of our libraries.

We are eager to announce that this is the first year the New Orleans Public Library is offering an adult Summer Reading Program! Participants can log and review books they read over the summer and participate in discussion groups with other book lovers throughout the city.

*Be sure to check out our website,
neworleanspubliclibrary.org
to sign up and keep track of upcoming events.*

Additionally, adults and families — be sure to check out June's Alvar Arts event on the evening of Thursday, June 19th, from 7-9 pm. This month's installment will feature B.D. Blanchard, known around the swamps and bayous as "Da Boocoo Man." Mr. Blanchard is of Cajun/French ancestry and spends much of his creative time making up tales, writing and playing guitar or making instruments out of old logs, truck springs, wild gourds

or whatever he can find to use that might make an interesting sound.

Kids, teens, and tweens, you will be excited to know that each Saturday throughout the months of June and July, we will have a science-themed morning story time and afternoon teen program with Ms. Charlotte! As always, our Saturday story time and craft will begin at 10:30 am and our teen program at 2 pm.

A few of the fun projects we will explore include making bubbles, color mixing, wind and air, Christmas in July snow, lava lamps, magnets, tornadoes, and DIY slime! On Saturday, June 28th, at 2 pm, the Maypop Community Herb Shop will present a teen program about using herbs for your health! Additionally, we look forward to hosting

Irwin Royes, the World's Smallest Magician, on Saturday, June 6, 1 - 2 pm.

Sally Farrell, raptor rehabilitator and educator, will introduce us to her birds on Tuesday, June 10, 11 am - 12 pm.

The Audubon Institute's Wetlands Express, in which you will get to meet swamp creatures of all sorts on Tuesday, June 24, 1 - 2 pm

The Audubon Institute's Aquavan will visit us with aquatic friends on Tuesday, July 1, 11 am - 12 pm,

We can't wait to see you soon!

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| ½ cup green bell pepper, diced | ½ cup Italian bread crumbs |
| 1 cup onion, finely chopped | 4 slices bacon, fried until crisp and crumbled* |
| 1 cup tomatoes, chopped and seeded | Butter (for sautéing) |
| | Salt and pepper to taste |

In pot, cover squash with water and bring to a boil Reduce heat, cover and simmer until squash are tender. Drain squash and cool slightly. Trim stems and cut squash in half length-wise. Remove pulp, and then cut pulp into small pieces. Reserve squash shells. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Melt butter in a skillet over medium heat, and sauté bell pepper and onion in butter until soft.

In a separate pan, sauté squash pulp (about 1 cup) until soft. Combine squash pulp with onions, peppers, tomatoes, cheese, breadcrumbs, bacon and salt/pepper. Place hollowed squash shells in a baking dish, and sprinkle the inside of each with salt and pepper. Spoon squash mixture into each shell. Top with additional breadcrumbs and drizzle top with melted butter. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes until top is golden.

** If you want to add more protein ground chicken or turkey tastes great **

Meet the Neighbors



May's *Meet the Neighbors* was held at **Kajun's Pub**, who graciously agreed to host our monthly event at the last minute, Thanks Kajun's!

June we'll be at **Horn's**, (formerly Le Peniche), 1940 Dauphine Street on Wednesday the 11th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm - see you there!



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Date and Time	Department/Agency
Monday, June 23 10:30am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-2:30pm, 5:00pm-6:30pm	French Market Corporation/Upper Pontalba Building Restoration Corporation, City Park Improvement Association, New Orleans Aviation Board
Wednesday, June 25 10:30am-12:00pm, 1:00-2:30pm, 3:00-4:30pm	Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness/Municipal Training Academy AND Emergency Medical Services (Department of Health), Municipal Yacht Harbor Management Corporation, New Orleans Public Library
Friday, June 27 11:00am-12:30pm, 2:00-3:30pm, 3:30-5:00pm	Office of Information Technology and Innovation, New Orleans Fire Department, New Orleans Museum of Art
Monday, June 30 10:30am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-2:30pm, 3:00pm-4:30pm, 5:00pm-6:30pm	Reserved for continuation or rescheduling, Audubon Commission, Department of Parks and Parkways, Reserved for continuation or rescheduling
Tuesday, July 1 11:30am-1:00pm, 2:30-4:00pm, 5:00pm-6:30pm	New Orleans Police Department, Department of Property Management, Department of Public Works
Thursday, July 3 9:30am-11:00am, 12:30pm-2:00pm, 2:30pm-4:00pm	Department of Sanitation, Mosquito Control Board, Reserved for continuation or rescheduling
Monday, July 7 11:00am-12:30pm, 5:00pm-6:30pm	CAO/Equipment Maintenance Division, New Orleans Recreation Development Commission

All interested parties are encouraged to attend.
 Public questions will be addressed following the staff discussion of the proposals.

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FMIA Board Meeting Minutes: May 7, 2014

Attendees: Bernard Marino, Allen Johnson, Danny Daniels, Matt Del Vecchio, Natalie Jordi, Kash Schriefer, Jennifer Taylor

Board members present: William Walker, Alex Vialou, Miles Swanson, Gretchen Bomboy, Peter Horjus, Dave Hurlbert
Meeting called to order at 7:07pm.

Bernard Marino and Allen Johnson spoke about Bamboulas Zoning issues, which seemed to be more severe during Jazzfest. The board recommended that these gentlemen:

Attend NONPAC meeting

Contact Jared Munster at the New Orleans Zoning department
To contact MACCNO

And to take up any parking issues with the film permitting agency to make sure they are working within the parameters of their permit

Danny Daniels then spoke as the owner of the property adjacent to the parking lot behind Cafe Istanbul. He stated that there are regularly parties in the parking lot, and that they go on until 4 am. The doors to the cafe are open for up to an hour, when they are supposed to be closed, and that Sunday nights are some of the worst for offenses. Daniels stated that Cafe Istanbul regularly has events that go on until 2 or 3 am, sometimes until 4, and that this happens 2-3 times a week. He stated that he has extensive photo and video documentation, and that security is not doing their job.

Matt Del Vecchio insisted that the FMIA use the CBA to exact penalties on the Cafe for their infractions. A discussion ensued about the zoning of HMC2 and that they signed the CBA.

Dan Danielson stated that he bought the house in October of last year.

A motion was made by Dave Hurlbert to take action on the CBA, but it was tabled for further review of documentation.

Matt Del Vecchio provided all in attendance a folder with his documentation.

It was recommended that they attend the NONPAC meeting the following night, as Commander Walls was to be in attendance.

Caroll Gnaidy then spoke about the upcoming Home Tour. 7 Bed and Breakfasts are on the tour. 2483 Royal, 2441 Dauphine, 1827 Dauphine, 930 Elysian Fields, 1526 Pauger, 2460 Rampart, and 726 Frenchmen.

Carol sent out save the date cards, and changed the focus from blight to showcase B&B's. Sweet Olive at 2460 Rampart will be focused on in a Times Picayune article highlighting issues about illegal B&B's. Met with PIANO, and used the Ken Caron talking points in that discussion.

She is also reaching out to other neighborhood associations and media with VCPORA.

Price of the home tour is \$20. She would like the budget increased for graphic design work for the home tour booklet.

Kash spoke next. There have been no requests for the camera grants at this point. A discussion about Marshall Coulter came up and the changes to the self defense law that is being circulated in the state legislature. The security committee is working on issues surrounding Iggys.

Presidents Report – Miles talked about the meeting on 5/20 about short term rentals. VCPORA, BNA, Faubourg St. John, Neighbors first and the Mid City Neighborhood association are invited to St. Pauls Church. PIANO will also be speaking. Andy Kopplin from the City will be involved.

Miles also talked about the decorum of the board outside of meetings and working within the framework of official positions.

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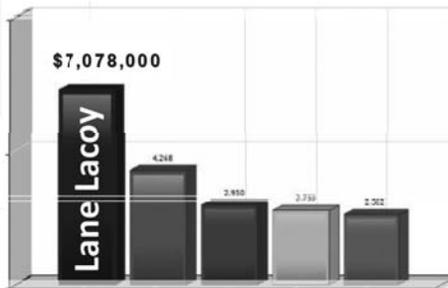
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There was a brief discussion about the hearing later that week about the zoning change in the 9th Ward. No present board members were able to attend, William made a motion nominating Amy Knoll to read the official FMIA position if given the chance. Dave 2nd, unanimous approval.

A discussion ensued about the detrimental actions of Lisa and Nick Suarez. All zoning committee meetings will be advertised, recorded, and notes made available to the board before any action is to be taken.

Treasurer report – Peter is going to file 2012 tax return. 2007 are filed. 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011 are probably filed by paper. Peter made a motion to file the 2013 tax return, Gretchen 2nd, unanimous approval.

Newsletter – newsletter is progressing.

CPC Response – Miles made the following motions, with Gretchen 2nd

Motion that the FMIA is in favor of extending the RDO to the triangle if standard restaurant is removed. William against, Dave, Peter, Alex, for.

The FMIA is opposed to gateways in the Marigny and has concerns about zoning changes in other downtown neighborhoods. Unanimous.

The FMIA is in favor of conditional use for property over 2000 sq ft. Unanimous

In the Eblast, the Frenchmen overlay will be published asking for comment from the general membership.

Frenchmen St – The brass bands continue to be a quality of life issue. Other issues are illegal vending and venues operating illegally.

There is going to be an NPP for the 5 unit building on N. Rampart. Meeting was adjourned at 9:39.

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