



Les Amis de Marigny

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President's Letter

How was Your Mardi Gras?

By Lisa Suarez, FMIA President

Some years I spend many months constructing a costume tour-de-force to parade down Royal Street as part of Société de St. Anne, which seems to get more press every year as the maskers (and the not masking) multiply. This is not exactly like the Intergalactic Krewe of Chewbacchus, which went from 700 members in 2015, to 3,000 this year. "Do the math," said my friends with whom I shared a Chantilly King Cake, while watching the excellent procession of Sci-Fi creativity, in the proper scale, though longer than Endymion. Congrats to Chewbacchus, btw, their clean-up was other-worldly great!

This year I saved up to buy my costume, having previously lusted after one from a woman who makes Cajun Courir de

Mardi Gras suits, and shows at the Costume Market on Barkus Sunday. Relocated for some years now to the Healing Center from the Blue Nile on Frenchmen Street, it was the Market's 25th anniversary in 2016, but the Cajun lady was nowhere to be found, so I still had to find several hours to make my own.

A Cajun look was an appropriate choice for a sparkling, but chilly Fat Tuesday. The unconscious bonus of the fleecy footie black-pink-red pajamas I did find at the market, on which the costume was constructed, was



Have Something to Say?

Say it in the Newsletter

All literary contributions wanted and are hereby solicited. This newsletter was intentionally called "Les Amis" (French for the Friends of Marigny). We want to recognize that in addition to being residents and renters and property owners and vendors and workers — most importantly — we are Friends. Anyone who can provide a letter or a column or a critique is sincerely requested to forward same. **This is, after all, YOUR newsletter.**

they could still be jammies, similar to those pre-packaged double-duty toddler ones available so many years ago for Halloween. I was so glad to have a day of joy, beginning with an 8 a.m. Ste. Anne breakfast on Marigny Street.

2501 St. Claude Debacle

What has not worked out has been the protracted journey of 2501 St. Claude to demolition, by the Troy Henry-Wendell Pierce team, after an "unauthorized sale" by the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority, NORA, previous to having been reorganized under the capable Jeff Hebert.

I'm sure you have read the newspaper coverage of the Jeudi Gras (Thursday before Fat Tuesday) hearing at City Council, in which the District "C" Councilperson said, "The proposed state-of-the-art store will improve the neighborhood, including showing the way for dealing with other blight in the area. "This would be a good step toward setting an example of good things that can happen in this neighborhood."

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Many of us have experienced the expensive side of supporting the rules of the Historic Districts Landmarks

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Commission (HDLC), but none of you would be here if you didn't want what our historic architecture offers in terms of culture and our sense of place.

In his recent article for nola.com, (<http://www.theneworleansadvocate.com/features/14789414-65/author-historian-lolis-eric-elie-learned-the-hard-way>) Lolis Eric Elie said this: "Our architecture is crucial to our culture and identity. We should have figured out by now how to help people renovate their houses before they get into bad shape. I can imagine nothing more crucial for city government to invest in than in renovating (rather than demolishing) houses," he said. "If (the houses) create the atmosphere for crime to take place, then the solution is not to demolish them but to renovate them."

As some of the facts were lost, or ignored, that fateful Jeudi Gras at Council, allow me to correct Mr. Henry: the Faubourg Marigny Historic District became law in 1978, and includes BOTH sides of St. Claude Avenue from McShane Place (near St. Bernard Ave.) to Press Street.

FMIA had been, and continues to be in solidarity with the St. Roch Improvement Association on this issue since the owner before Mr. Henry had neglected 2501, and we have never claimed a "jurisdiction," that only HDLC holds, in the

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St. Roch neighborhood. Whether the Troy and Wendell team is made to pay the fines levied by the City of New Orleans for their Demolition by Neglect, is still in question.

Recently there was a meeting with several concerned citizens and St. Claude business owners, not organized by FMIA, wanting to oppose the demolition anyway possible. As the pastor — who advocated for the demolition Troy and Wendell need to add a minimart and bigger “Shell design standard gas station,” in the Historic District — said to me on the way out of the council Chambers, “If you don’t like it, you’re rich, just sue.”

Poland Avenue Cruise Ship Terminal

If you were wondering why there will be a terminal abutting the fragile Bywater Historic District, and not an expansion of the uptown terminals, it’s because the giant cruise ships of plus 4,000 passengers, cannot fit under the Crescent City Connection. Advocating for the Poland Avenue Cruise Ship Terminal, the Port of New Orleans has extended their proposed City-wide meeting, until sometime in March, for more community input. I attended another port meeting in the Upper Ninth Ward, in a little church at the corner Congress and Law Streets.



One of 17 Sub-Krewes of Krewe du Vieux

The Port representative was adamant that they would like to “fit into the community.” Upper Nine neighborhood folks were not interested in how the Port may or may not “fit in.” They want to know where the jobs are, and asked pointedly, “How do we get the jobs?”

The Port official explained they were just “landlords,” and not really responsible for connecting citizens to the various cruise lines they rent to. “That’s a policy decision,” we heard, “so maybe we can help you communicate to the Dock Board.” Contracts for how Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) programs could be used came up,

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and one gentleman, a DBE qualified electrician, said he had never benefitted from the alerts sent out to those businesses.

One of the questions FMIA has asked is, "How does our community benefit from the flow of 8,000 people per day, two days a week." The Port has only offered community use of the second floor of the new terminal building any days not in use by the Port. It occurs to me that customers of the cruise lines docking there (Carnival?), will have unflattering things to say, should they be gridlocked by traffic, coming through our neighborhoods.

The operations of the Julia and Erato Street wharves are not constrained by the proximity of residential neighborhoods. I have suggested the Port find a way to utilize one of the three buildings still existing on the former Navy base, a parking building, which contains one



Krewe du Vieux Thirtieth Anniversary!

thousand covered spaces for community benefit. The answer so far is the hairpin ramps built for 1918 vehicles, are too narrow to accommodate today's vehicles.

I suggested adding exterior ramps; the response was the budget won't allow for it, and a large portion of the 53 million dollar project cost will only allow the "shoring up" of the river bank for the ships, the Terminal, and whatever grounds work will have to be done.

Kudos to the Richard Koch designed Standard Coffee Company building.

More info on Historic Preservation's National Register database, where the Superdome also is now included:

www.crt.la.us/dataprojects/hp/nhl/index.asp



Did you ever wonder who these people are? ↑

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March 2016

Board Meeting

March 2, 7 pm,
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Meet the Neighbors

March 9, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Venue TBD

General Meeting

March 21, 6:30 Pot Luck, 7:15 Meeting
St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2624 Burgundy Street

April 2016

Board Meeting

April 6, 7 pm,
2509 Burgundy St.

Meet the Neighbors

April 13, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Venue TBD

General Meeting

April 18, 6:30 Pot Luck, 7:15 Meeting
St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2624 Burgundy Street

NONPACC MEETINGS

*5th District — Wednesday March 9, 6 pm,
3900 N. Claiborne*

*8th District — 4th Tuesday 6 pm,
location varies between 334 Royal
and the Healing Center*

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FMIA Dues

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Louisiana / Yours Truly in a Swamp

From Lent to Easter

by Leonard Earl Johnson www.LEJ.org

On Ash Wednesday all over Louisiana, Carnival lifted its joyous mantle leaving Lent's ashen smudge in its place.

From Cathedrals and parish churches, to mission altars and heathen households, the Sacrament of Death is celebrated in Louisiana. We got our ashes early at Saint Louis Cathedral, on Jackson Square and then caught Amtrak train #1, the Sunset Limited, West.

Life is but a
passing parade.

At Saint Louis Cathedral's earliest Lentin Mass, business suits stood cheek-by-jowl with crimson capes and smeared-lipstick ladies. Most held palm fronds and awaited priests

dressed in the violet Vestments of Sorrow.

With thumbs dipped in their ashes from last year's palms these priests apply a smudged sign of the cross to the forehead of believers.

I never miss this ceremony. I have doubts galore about many theological things, but none whatsoever about this. To ashes we shall return.

We welcomed Lent at the Cathedral and then rode the train over Huey P. Long's bridge, at Westwego, Louisiana — a town named for a verb! (The original trainmen forded the Mississippi River at this spot and chipperly called it, "west-we-go.")

Away from the Sins of Big Swamp City we ride! Out of Town, "On our father's magic carpet made of steel!" Could Lent's first day have a more fitting manifestation?

Lent is the longest holiday in the Christian calendar. It holds steady at forty hair-shirted, whip-lashing, days of deprivation.

To accommodate this mathematical trickery Carnival's pleasurable length shortens by measure of the poorly constructed Gregorian Calendar and Canon Law which dictates adjusting those forty-days of Lent so as to lose not one minute's suffering.

As for Carnival? It shrinks. Great gobs of goose fat!

"Not to worry," L. A. Norma says to some altar boys discussing the weight of this year's Mardi Gras garbage.

Our favorite cab driver is picking us up on the corner of Saint Peter and Chartres. He arrives wearing the signature t-shirt of an unemployed

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There was be no MTN
in February on Ash
Wednesday, so where do
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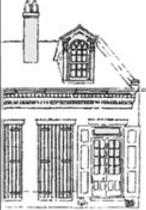
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actor turned cabbie: "My Parents Went to New Orleans And All I Got Is This Lousy I.Q." He drops us without so much as one word. Lent affects people in different ways. At Union Station on Loyola Avenue we boarded the train.

Three Days before Easter — Lent ends. March 27 is Easter, the forty days of Lenten deprivation stops the Thursday before.

Easter is a ceremony about Spring borrowed from religions that came long before Christianity. It may be the oldest human celebration on Earth, and it is calculated (or miscalculated) by Canon Law, using instruments crafted from faith in suffering and suspicion of pleasure.

Suffering's forty-days are not to be monkeyed with. This is guaranteed. Carnival's pleasures, however, are reducible by God or His agents with their inaccurate stopwatches.

Lenten fasting repairs Winter's damage and Carnival's excess, and prepares us for Spring's rebirth. Like the jazz man says, "Blow the roof off the sucker..."

Awaiting Easter

It has been a cold Lent, with sunny mornings and a warm place in the kitchen to read Internet Newspapers and sip coffee.

In the dining car, on Ash Wednesday we lunched with a young Amish couple on their way to hike the Grand Canyon. And an older painter originally from Pennsylvania Dutch stock, with an Amish ancestor and a life spent painting the world from passing trains and sailing ships.

Spring is here this morning, and the live oaks outside our dormer windows are budding into a soft young green.

We wonder how our Amish hikers are doing. On the train we offered to have them turn grace over lunch. He said they did not pray out loud. I offered a little Catholic boy's prayer:

"Bless us o' Lord for these thy gifts which thou hast provided through thy bounty." The Amish man said it was a lovely prayer.

Amish speak German among their own and call non Amish people, "English." My Mother was German. The Pennsylvania painter, the Amish couple and I all spoke a few tentative German words. None understood the other. The Amish man said it was because isolated they spoke an older form of German.

"That's reasoning we've heard before," L. A. Norma said.

Live oaks are ever green trees. They don't dump their old leaves till Spring's new buds arrive (as followers of JFK conspiracies know). Then they change from old dark green to young soft green almost overnight. Today soft-green rules the Great Mother Swamp, and old alligators lie on the banks in whatever sun we can find dreaming of the Grand Canyon, Spring and ashes.

"Your Truly" is a blog by Leonard Earl Johnson, a member of our Katrina Diaspora presently residing in Lafayette and spending much time in New Orleans. He is an FMIA member and planning to return to NOLA in the near future. His venue is the figurative Great Mother Swamp including Lafayette, New Orleans and adjacent areas. His column had been published in Les Amis for several years and we are glad to have him back where he belongs. This is his latest column. (A version of this story first appeared in Les Amis de Marigny, 2004)

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By Sara Jacobelli, Assistant Branch Manager, Alvar Library

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Special events in March:

- Zine writing workshop with Big Class, Saturday, March 12th, 12:00-2:00 pm
- Poetry Buffet hosted by Gina Ferrara, featuring George Guida, Kelly Harris, Nancy Harris, and David Rowe: Saturday, March 5th, 2:00-3:00 pm

Regularly scheduled programs at Alvar:

- Story Time/Craft, Saturdays, 10:30 am
- Computer Tutoring, Thursdays, 11:00 am-1:00 pm
- Book Club meeting: Saturday, March 19th, 3:00-4:00 pm

Local Author Birthday: Tennessee Williams.

Born Thomas Lanier Williams in Columbus, Mississippi on March 26, 1911, the family moved to St. Louis, Missouri when he was seven. When he was twenty eight he moved to New Orleans, changed his first name to Tennessee—after his father’s home state — found his home and the inspiration for many of his plays and stories. For the rest of his life he divided his time between New Orleans and Key West, Florida. The New Orleans Public Library has the excellent Tennessee Williams biography, “Tennessee Williams: Mad Pilgrimage of the Flesh” by John Lahr available as a book or an audiobook. The Tennessee Williams Theatre Company of New Orleans specializes in producing the playwright’s rarely produced plays. Recent performances include “Kingdom of Earth” and “Small Craft Warnings.” Future productions include “The Strange Play,” “Ivan’s Widow,” and “Steps Must be Gentle.” <http://www.twtheatrenola.com/> The Tennessee Williams Festival is March 30th-April 3rd, 2016 <http://www.tennesseewilliams.net/>

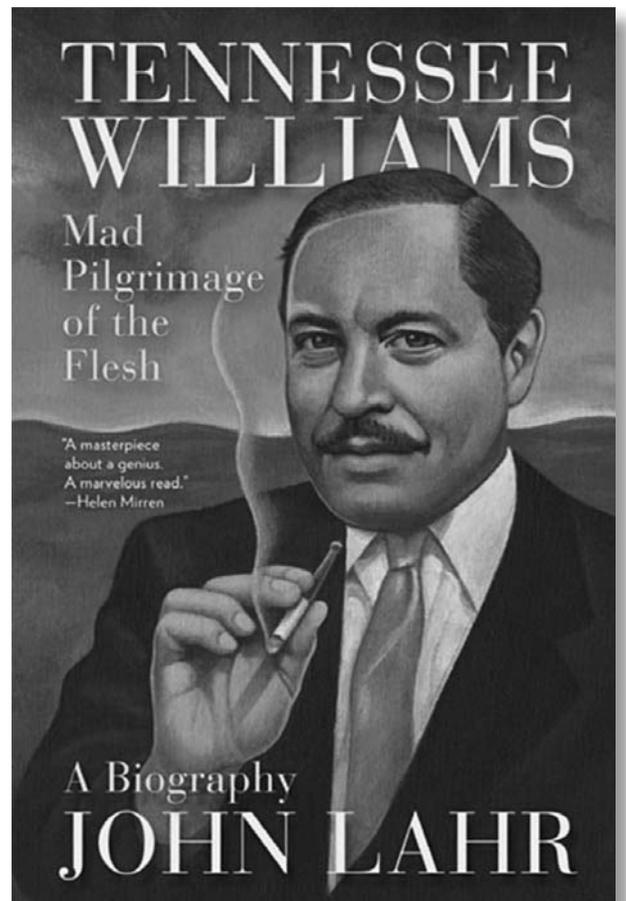
Quote:

“Don’t you just love those long rainy afternoons in New Orleans — when an hour isn’t just an hour — but a little piece of eternity dropped into your hands, and who knows what to do with it?”

*Blanche DuBois,
A Streetcar Named Desire by Tennessee Williams.*

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Marigny Green

By Deborah Oppenheim

I went last Saturday to the City of New Orleans Department of Sanitation **Recycling Drop-Off** at 2829 Elysian Fields Ave. It was very well organized and efficient. There are so many items that are acceptable for recycling such as:



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- June 11, 2016
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FMIA Board Meeting Minutes: January 6, 2016

Members in attendance

Lisa Suarez, Allen Johnson, Gretchen Bomboy, Matt Del Vecchio, Gene Cizek, Simone Cifuentes, Jeff Bromberger

Guest speaker - Nathalie Jordi Speaker

Nathalie delivers update on Sts. Peter and Paul church demolition and development. Running into delays.

501 Elysian Fields

There's a new development plan for this space. May have to preserve some structures.

Big Daddy's

Allen reports on meeting with management and neighbors. Positive meeting, Big Daddy's is responsive and willing to work on proactive change to control problems.

Iggy's

Several neighbors speak about loud problem behavior and drug dealing at and outside Iggy's.

Safe on Our Streets

Community anti-crime initiative. Lisa moves FMIA join the SOS initiative, seconded. Unanimous in favor.

CZO Lawsuit Update

Lisa updates on the suit; last shot effort court date is delayed until after Mardi Gras.

Short Term Rentals

Rumor has it city council will be acting on STR policy soon. Discussion on what we'd like to see in a possible STR compromise.

Bywater Cruise Terminal

Preliminary meetings have begun, Lisa and Allen attended. Concerns about 18-wheelers and buses, traffic.

Historical Marker

Need a new post.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.



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FMIA General Meeting Minutes: January 18, 2016

Lisa Suarez called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM.

NOPD Report

Lisa reports Quality of Life officers may be removed as part of NOPD restructuring due to manpower shortage. Encourages us to contact superintendent, tell him we need them.

Neighbors complain about Iggy's, guest officer encourages making calls for service, give address.

Guest Speaker - Lisa Faatland

A long-time resident is turning 100, neighbors would like to host a surprise birthday singing at 2019 Burgundy, 6:30 on Jan 29.

Guest Speaker - Nathalie Jordi

Nathalie gives update on Sts. Peter & Paul hotel development. Asks for input for an oral history project on people with ties to the church.

Schiro's

Lisa reads letter written by Schiro's-owner Zach to FMIA, stating he doesn't have plans to have live music at Silk Roads restaurant now or in the future.

Guest Speakers - Krewe due Vieux, Chewbaccus

Representatives from the krewes discusses parade routes and garbage pickup.

Red Haus

Is going to city council to try for text amendment and conditional use to allow them to operate outdoor event venue. City Planning has already recommended against this use 7-0. Owners have hired former city planner as consultant to help them. Neighbor Donna speaks about noise.

Guest Speakers

- Jennifer Taylor,
Trash Palace

Previous plans for reception/event hall didn't pan out, Cmb. Ramsey opposed. Starting over.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.



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FMIA Board Meeting Minutes: February 3, 2016

Members in attendance

Lisa Suarez, Allen Johnson, Gretchen Bomboy, Matt Del Vecchio, Gene Cizek, Troy Gant, Simone Cifuentes

Guest speaker - Carol Gniady, French Quarter Citizens

Carol speaks about lawsuit against the city council regarding 121 Royal, the 168-foot hotel development council approved in a 70-foot zone. Arguing master plan has force of law. Also speaks about Short Term Rentals.

Red Haus

Neighbor Donna reports owners requested it taken off the council agenda until later. Junk is still hanging in trees.

2501 St. Claude

Lisa reads letter to city council. Gene's students have volunteered to design a shop to work with existing historic building.

Frenchmen Art Market

Appears to have moved from Frenchmen Street property to Decatur Street at Greg's Antiques.

Treasury Reports

Lisa goes over our financial reports. Troy has taken checkbook back for writing checks.

Open Board Member

Spot still open, Lisa may have found a volunteer.

Home Tour

Discussions on which part of the neighborhood to showcase.

Bywater Cruise Terminal

Shoring up river and building required for expected through-put. Planned to use for the largest ships, which can't fit into existing terminal. Bywater Neighborhood Association BNA opposes.

Historical Marker

New post has shipped. However slab may not be usable according to post people, may need to re-pour underground concrete structure.

CZO Lawsuit

Lisa reads letter from our attorney, appeal court could take some time to schedule. We currently owe them \$3,124.61. Lisa also needs to be reimbursed for personal expenditures toward suit.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

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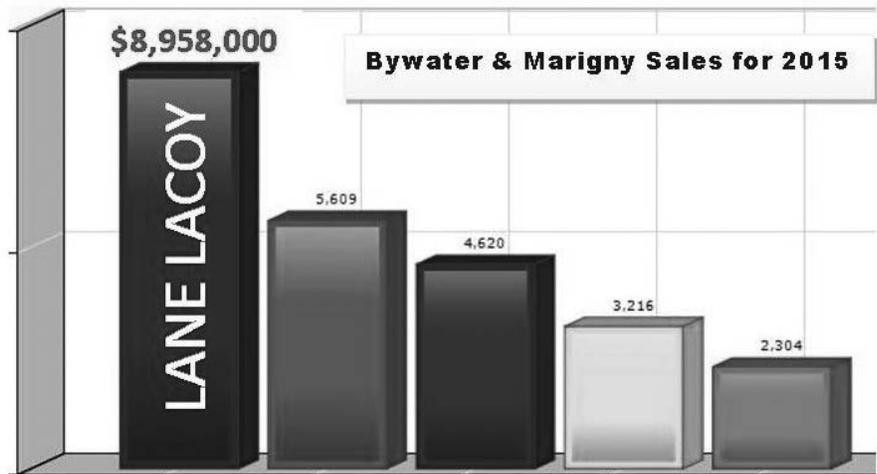


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FMIA General Meeting Minutes: February 15, 2016

Lisa Suarez called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM.

NOPD Report

5th District's Captain Goodly speaks about Quality of Life, NOPD restructuring and staffing challenges. Next NONPACC meeting Wednesday, March 9, 2016, 6:00 PM at 3900 N. Claiborne Ave.

Guest Speaker - Jennifer Roberts, Sewage & Water Board

Jennifer speaks about storm drains (aka catch basins). If you have a problem with one call 311 at this time. Awareness event Saturday 2/27, 10-11 AM at St. Paul Lutheran.

Guest Speaker - Rhonda Findley and Ken Caron, Democratic Party

Ronda and Ken speak about the Democratic Party committee regarding presidential primaries.

504k Race

Children's race begins in Bywater at the Brickyard. 2/20, 8:00 AM

2501 St. Claude

We lost this one, Cmb. Ramsey granted demo permit, claiming minimart will be good for neighborhood. Discussions on what we can do next. Owner of Hank's may get involved.

121 Royal Street

Developer wants to erect a 168-foot hotel, council approved. Fundraiser to oppose being held at Hotel Monteleone, Thursday, 2/25, 5:30 PM.

Baker's Row (Hubig's Pie lot)

Developer Kyle sent letter explaining current status of construction, framing beginning.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 PM.



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