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President's Message

Thanks to everyone who joined us for our Mardi Gras dance. The crowd was large, Jesse Brown and Choupique made terrific music and there were lots of great costumes. I especially want to thank Betty O'Pry for the wonderful job she does taking photos at our dances, they are archived on our website for your enjoyment. I also urge everyone in the chapter to purchase the Accordion Raffle tickets sent to you from the National Board. The package is just 10 bucks and the proceeds go a long way to putting on our Annual LeCajun Music Festival. The Accordion alone is worth over \$2000. Either mail your check back with the ticket stubs or give them to our LeCajun rep Ralph Marino at the next dance.

Our next theme dance will be in April and we'd like your ideas so check our web site for details and get creative then plan to dress up and decorate your table, its really great fun.

Merci, John Pellerin

Flowers/Sympathy: We are again very happy to have nothing reported to us this month.

Please contact Vera Achee at (225-357-5647) with information concerning members who are ill, hospitalized or those that have passed away.

Happy Birthdays: Happy Birthday to a former Chapter queen, Amy Guillory-March 10th.

Happy Anniversaries: Happy Anniversary to Henry & Arlene Grass- March 24th.

To include your special date, contact Pearl Bellelo at 225-931-6551 or vicandpearl@startelco.net

DANCE TROUPE NEWS

In March, The CFMA Dance Troupe will dance at the St. Thomas More Church, two Retirement Homes and at "Charlie's Place" (serves Alzheimer's patients). We will also teach free dance lessons prior to our 2 CFMA dances at the UCT on March 5 and 19th.

Anyone interested in joining the Dance Troupe please contact Lynda Stockinger at 225-803-9272

Merci Beaucoup, Lynda Stockinger

(Jacques Boudreaux's Cajun radio show, Front Porch Fais Do Do, Sundays 7-9 PM on KLSU 91.1 FM, can also be heard on your computer at klsuradio.fm. Check it out!

Clarence's Cajun Music Radio Show
WBRH 90.3 FM Sat. 7 to 8 PM
Clarence at 225-388-9030---Cajunradio.org

Cajun Music Radio Show
KLSU FM 91.1 FM Sun. 7 to 9 PM
Jacques Boudreaux-225-388-5578

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCES

UCT Hall-11175 Florida Blvd, 2 miles east of Airline Hwy at Sherwood Forest Blvd.

Please check the Fun Section of The Advocate for our ads. Also check our website, www.batonrougecajundance.com & Clarence's site (Cajunradio.org) for dance date and bands.

March 5- Steve Bing &
The Bayou Hotshots

Mar 19 – Sammy Naquin
& The Sons of Cajun Heritage Band

NEXT MEETING –Tuesday, Mar 9th - 6:30 PM--Bluebonnet Library

Open /combined Board and General Meeting at 6:30 PM, everyone's input is welcomed and really needed if we are to keep Cajun Music alive in the Baton Rouge area.

We encourage everyone having a birthday, anniversary or any kind of family celebration to do it with us. Get there early and set your table up with snacks, cakes, etc. and enjoy the great Cajun bands with loved ones. *(Please no ice chest or Sterno)*

CAJUN HERITAGE by Maurice Lasserre

SUGAR CANE HARVEST OF YESTERYEAR

A far-away rooster tries to kindle daylight....As smoke and fires quell the chill...Of a morning fog that wets like rain....*Travailleurs* shuffle into rows of cane....That bend this way and that....yet none escape the knife....A chain strikes hard against a wagon....Grating and clinking-links tumble to the bottom....Midst shouts of men and sounds of metal....A cart comes out of the dark..."Pay attention, the mule seems not yet awake....Turn the derrick and hoist that bundle....Hurry, you! The boss man watches".

Rain, mud and cold delayed the cane harvest this year, some farmers just finished at the end of January. With today's modern equipment the harvest is usually finished by Christmas.

Maurice