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Creole Heritage Center Take New Direction



James "T-Boy" Billedeau Creole Heritage Center.

Coming out of a United States recession the Creole Heritage Center, Board of Directors meet twice now and restricted its personal and method of operation. James "Tee Boy" Billedeau is the Chairman and other members of the board are Curtis Bordenave, Vice-Chair and Theresa Delphin Morgan, Secretary. The Center have assisted in re-organizing the St. Augustine Historical Society, Dr. Mark Guidry is the new President. He and Mr. Tommy Roque have worked hard to get the society going again. Dr. Pete Gregory, along with Father Travis, is on the ex-officio board for the Historical Society - with no voting privileges. The conception for the Creole Heritage Center was developed out of the St. Augustine Historical Society under the direction of the late Dr. Terrel Delphin in the early stages of the

Creole Heritage Center. At the March meeting Mark and Sandra Billedeau did an exercise to come up with some focus for the Centers future. The Board is planning another meeting - likely in June. The University granted one student worker at the C.H.C., to assist Loletta Wynder and Dr. Gregory.

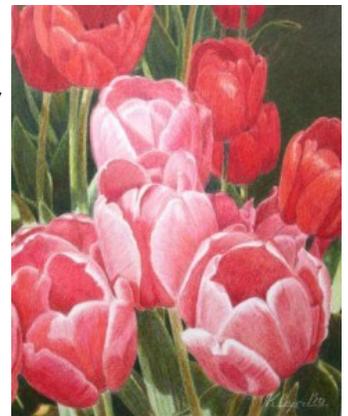
Ms. Sheila Richmond will be working on additional grants. Ramona Wynder and Sheila Richmond are currently working on a black churches grant for the Cane River Heritage area and Sheila has started a face book search for Catholic churches with a Creole based congregation. The Cane River Heritage area has funded an internship for the Center. "So we're alive and working with lots of good help" said Dr. Gregory. Watch upcoming editions of the Bayou Talk Newspaper for further updates. You can follow us on facebook at www.bayoutalk.com.

Featured Artist, Kathleen Bird

One of the most delightful experiences in working the floor at the Natchitoches Art Guild is that moment when a visitor steps in front of that one piece that just takes his/her breath away. The expression on the viewer's face changes from appreciation to amazement when it is revealed that the piece is done with colored pencils.

The creator of those amazing colored pencil works is Con-

necticut native Kathleen (Kass) Byrd. Ms. Byrd came to Louisiana in 1976 and found her way to Natchitoches in 1994. While in Natchitoches she worked at Northwestern State University in the fields of anthropology and archaeology until her retirement. Ms. Byrd is the author of Colonial Natchitoches, Outpost of Empires, a very interesting history of the earliest days of Natchitoches and is currently working on (continue on pg. 4)



Flower painting by Kass

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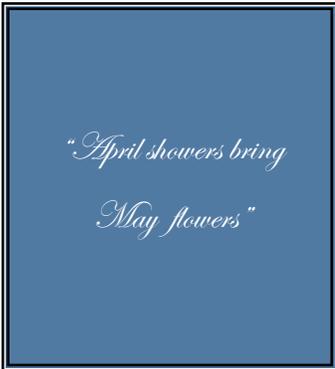
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French Quarter Walking Tour

French Quarter Walking Tour

The city's convention and visitor's bureau publishes an eight-page brochure, complete with maps, of the renowned French Quarter. The brochure can be downloaded from the bureau website or requested by mail. The tour covers a 10-block by four-block area in the downtown quarter and takes approximately two to three hours to complete -- and that is without stopping for detailed exploration of historic sights or to enjoy some of the quarter's culinary enticements. Some of the major sights included on the tour are Jackson

Square with its equestrian statue of General (later President) Andrew Jackson, St. Louis Cathedral, the oldest cathedral in the United States, and the Old Ursuline Convent, built in 1749. Along the way, visitors will hear the sounds of the city and the aromas of New Orleans, including its famed chicory-spiked coffee served at cafes in the quarter. New Orleans Convention and Visitors Bureau 2020 St. Charles Ave. New Orleans, LA 70130 800-672-6124 neworleanscvb.com



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The Bayou Talk Newspaper strives to provide news and content of interest to Creole communities around the world and to the friends of those communities. While our cultural heritage is rooted in the Louisiana French Creole community, our goal is to appeal to all individuals who self-identify as Creole, as well as to those who have a sincere and general interest in Creole history, culture, traditions, and cuisine. So, whether you're from Cane River or the Caribbean, the West Indies or West L.A., wherever you descend from, and whatever your ancestry, it is our sincere hope that you'll feel at home here at the Bayou Talk. We welcome you to our grassroots publication and thank you for your interest in who we are and what we do.

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of a kind items such as woodwork, art, jewelry, stained glass, soaps, bird houses and more. Live entertainment can be enjoyed every Saturday on the scenic bank of beautiful Cane River Lake. Children's activities and special programming such as educational speakers, demonstrations and interactive activities are offered at each market. All activities of the Green Market are free to the public. Pets are welcome and the Cane River Green Market as long as they are kept on a leash and monitored by an adult. We value our patrons at the Cane River Green Market. Make sure you stop by our tent and enjoy free coffee or lemonade. Get a frequent shopper card and work your way towards a free gift certificate. Remember, buy fresh and buy local.



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Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus Elects Officers

The Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus elected its officers for 2013-2014. On February 1, the LLBC welcomes: State Representative Katrina Jackson of Monroe, District 16, elected as chairwoman of the caucus. Other members who were elected includes Representatives Ed Price of Gonzales– District 58, vice chairman; Wesley Bishop of New Orleans– District 99, first vice chairman; Barbor Norton of Shreveport– District 3, secretary; Ledricka Thierry of Opelousas– District 40, treasurer; Vincent Pierre of Lafayette– District 44, parliamentarian; Roy Burrell of Shreveport– District 2, sergeant-at-arms and Senator Troy Brown of Napoleonville– District 2, Senate Whip. Representative Patrick Jefferson of Arcadia– District 11 was appointed as chaplain.

Chair-Elect Katrina Jackson stated “It is my honor and privilege to be elected by my colleagues to lead the LLBC. This is an amazing path to take as once a staff member of the House of Representatives, then as the executive director of the LLBC and now as the chair. I do not take lightly this charge and will use all of my experience, knowledge, and God-given wisdom to uphold and further the longstanding mission of the LLBC.”

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World Cultures and Easter

It's pretty much common knowledge that Easter is a Christian celebration of Christ's rising, but this holiday also has pagan origins. Where did the colored eggs, cute little bunnies, baby chicks, leg of lamb dinners, and lilies come from? They are all symbols of rebirth and the lamb was a traditional religious sacrifice.

Easter falls in the spring, the yearly time of renewal, when the earth renews itself after a long, cold winter. The word Easter comes to us from the Norsemen's Eostur, Eastar, Ostara, and Ostar, and the pagan goddess Eostre, all of which involve the season of the growing sun and new birth. The Easter Bunny arose originally as a symbol of fertility, due to the rapid reproduction habits of the hare and rabbit.

The ancient Egyptians, Persians, Phoenicians, and Hindus all believed the world began with an enormous egg, thus the egg as a symbol of new life has been around for eons.

*The first Easter Egg
hunt at the White House
was the mid 1870's on
the Capital lawn*

Featured Artist

another way. She and her husband, Robert Neuman, raise Appaloosa horses on a small farm in nearby Hagedwood. As a self-taught artist, Ms. Byrd began drawing in 2009 and in 2010 focused her efforts on colored pencils where she clearly excels. Kass started by drawing flowers which she says "are very forgiving – if you don't get the shape or color just right – who's to know". She is currently intrigued by the play of light – with shadows and reflections. She is a member of the Colored Pencil Society of America. She is a valued member of the Natchitoches Art Guild and has been recognized in juried competitions for her work. She also serves on several local boards.

Everyone was invited to join the members of NAG as they honored Kass at a reception on March 16th from in the gallery. A large body of her colored pencil works will be on display in the alcove area of the Natchitoches Art Gallery throughout March and April.

Ask Sadie Mae

The Bayou Talk publish a monthly advice column called, "Ask Sadie Mae." The column will feature questions from our readers in the areas of cooking, home, parenting, and family. If you have a question for Sadie Mae, please submit it via e-mail to:

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Ask Sadie Mae c/o

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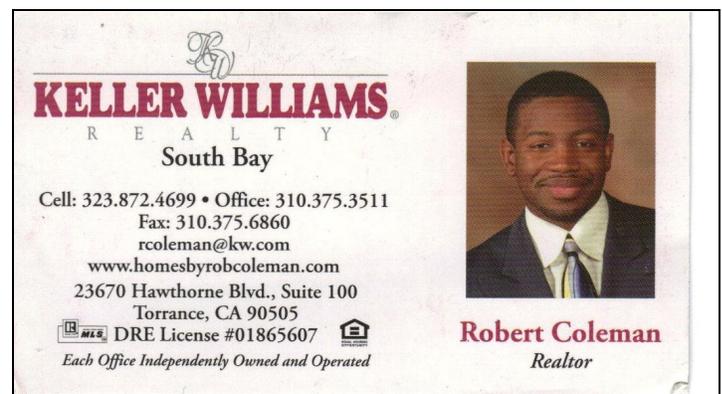
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German Easter Egg Dyeing

Cooking eggs-put a pot of water on the stove and wait till it boils-in the meantime prepare the eggs (punch a hole in the lower part of the egg, the purpose is that the egg won't burst)-put the eggs in the boiling water and let them sit for 5-6 minutes -take them out -you can put them right into the glasses filled with color **Dyeing eggs**-clean and dry a couple of large preserve jars (5 eggs should fit in one jar, usually 5 jars are used: 1 for yellow, 1 red, 1 blue, 1 green, 1 orange)-put a dyeing color paper in each glass and add 2 tablespoons of vinegar as well as hot water! Side Note: only fill the glass half full! Allowing room for the eggs.

Now comes the fun part!-when the eggs come out the water you can put them in the color right away, Side Note: don't hesitate to place them from one color to the next, it works best when you have them from the lighter colors to the darker ones-when you take the egg out of the color put it on an old newspaper to dry of. Site Note: if you want to have an even color around the egg, roll it on the paper frequently-to polish the egg, take some bacon fat and rub it around the egg once it is dry.

Don't Forget to hide your eggs now! Have fun!



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Ask Sadie Mae

I'm a senior and I can't get use to all these technical things, cell phones, communicating by email, even planning a party... Whatever happen to the old fashion invitation ? How can I handle this and keep my sanity?

Susan B., Detroit, Michigan

Susan, most Senior Citizen facilities offer free classes on how to keep up with technical changes such as computer classes, software classes, email classes, how to use cell phone classes, even how to play computer games. Change in most cases are good, however there is nothing wrong with some of the old fashion way's either.

What is the secret to getting that perfect hardboiled egg every time?

ALC, Compton, CA

ALC, put your egg in a small pot, cover egg with cold water, add 1/2 teaspoon of salt, place over med heat, let water and egg come to a full boil, turn heat off, cover and let stand 10 to 12 minutes, results perfect hard boil egg.

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January 2014—Creole Heritage

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Saint Hood

Prayer

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witness of

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and his

loyalty to Christ inspire countless men
and women to live the Christian faith.

If it be your holy will may a miracle be
granted through his intercession, so he
may be numbered among your Saints

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