St. Bernard Sheriff’s Office investigating rash of car burglaries around Chalmette

The St. Bernard Sheriff’s Office is investigating a rash of car burglaries that occurred over the past few nights in the Chalmette area, Sheriff James Pohlmann said.

The Sheriff's Office is asking residents of Missouri Street, Corinne Drive, Palisiano Boulevard and Karen Drive and the nearby areas to check their vehicles and report any suspicious activity by calling Sgt. Robert Garofalo at (504) 278-7630 or (504) 271-2501.

A suspect has been identified in the case and an arrest warrant has been issued by detectives with the Criminal Investigations Bureau. The investigation is ongoing.

In all of the cases, Sheriff Pohlmann said, the victims' vehicles were unlocked.

Sheriff Pohlmann urges residents to keep their vehicles locked at all times in an effort to deter criminals from committing a "crime of opportunity."

"This is why it's very important to make sure your vehicles are locked at all times," Sheriff Pohlmann said. "Locking your vehicle and not leaving items of value in plain sight can greatly reduce your chances of being the victim of theft."

St. Bernard Parish Recreation Department hosts 2018 Track Meet

St. Bernard Parish Recreation Department hosted a Track Meet at Chalmette High School.

St. Bernard Recreation Department recently hosted the first track and field meet since Hurricane Katrina. The meet was held at Chalmette High School with the help of Assistant Principle/Assistant Track Coach David Koontz and the Girls Track Coach Tanesha Sanchez. Over 150 boys and girls participated in dashes, distance runs and relay races for the track phase. Softball throws and long jumps covered the field events. Parish President Guy McInnis pulled double duty working the softball throw and presenting awards. District B Councilman Nathan Gorbaty and other park officials also participated in the awards ceremony.

The Recreation Department would like to thank the booster club members for volunteering their time and making this a successful track meet. Special thanks to Awards Unlimited for donating the trophy for the overall winner, the Kenilworth Knights.

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"Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground." – Gen. 1:26 (NIV)
Assembly of God Church 6414 West End Ave. St. Bernard, LA 70092. Open 8am-5pm. Meet Service 3pm. Bible study 7pm.


Beloboom Baptist Church 502-1015 St. Francis Ave. St. Bernard, LA 70092. Meet Service 7pm. Bible study 7pm.

Bible Study Fellowship
St. Bernard Community Church 3999 Bonne Terre Rd, St. Bernard, LA 7802. Meet Service 7pm.

Bible Study Fellowship
Sunrise Community Church 6032 E. St. Bernard Hwy., Chalmette, LA 70043. Meet Service 11am.

Bible Study Fellowship
Christian Fellowship Church 2204 La. 150, Chalmette, LA 70043. Meet Service 7pm.

Bible Study Fellowship
Cornerstone Community Church 40107 E. St. Bernard Hwy., Chalmette, LA 70043. Meet Service 7pm.

Bible Study Fellowship

Delacroix Hope Baptist Church 1114 E. La 70, Chalmette, LA 70043. Meet Service 11am.

First Baptist Church of Chalmette 2120 S. La 70, Chalmette, LA 70043. Meet Service 11am.

First Baptist Church of Chalmette 2757-2919 S. La 70, Chalmette, LA 70043. Meet Service 11am.

First Baptist Church of Chalmette 2424 S. La 70, Chalmette, LA 70043. Meet Service 11am.


Garden of Prayer
196 Hillory Ave, Suite 6 • New Orleans, LA 70123 Phone: 504-332-1461 Fax: 504-337-3923 Email: editor@thestbernardnews.com

August 11, 2018
• Coffee and Cars Coming to St Bernard Parish, 10AM. Have you heard about the national movement of Coffee and Cars? This monthly gathering of car enthusiasts brings together Antiques, Modified and Show Cars for their owners and discuss show off their “pride and joy.” Gerald’s Donuts will host the first St Bernard Parish gathering of Coffee and Cars on the 2nd Saturday of August, 2018 from 10 AM to 11:30 AM at the Arabi Location, 6901 St Claude Avenue. If you have an antique, modified or show car, come out and show your car and enjoy a free donut while discussing your ride with other car enthusiasts!

August 14, 2018
• Knights of Nemesis Social Club and Parade Social Meeting, 6-30PM, at Rocky & Carlos Restaurant 613 W. St Bernard Hwy, Chalmette, LA. All members and prospective members are invited to attend. Food will be provided. The Knights of Nemesis organization was formed in 2004 and has paraded in the past for thirteen years. The 14th annual Parade will be scheduled for Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 1 PM. For information about the social or parade, contact Billy Showalter, 504-583-3998 or visit our web-site, www.knightsofnemesis.org.

August 15, 2018
• St Bernard Tourist Commission Meeting, 5PM, at The Visitors Center, 409 Aycock St, St. Arnaud, LA. 70052. The Agenda will include discussions of upcoming events, marketing, and planning.

August 18, 2018
• Battle of New Orleans Talk, Discover 1815’s Battle of New Orleans with a ranger talk 10:45 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. daily. Free. Chalmette Battlefield of Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve, 8606 West St. Bernard Highway, Chalmette. 281-6510 or www.nps.gov/jela.
THE SCALISE CAPITOL REPORT

To begin my report this week, I’d like to again ask if you will take a moment to tell me how I’m doing in Congress and how the policies we’ve passed have impacted your life. To provide feedback, please visit https://bit.ly/2M0sp5I and share your thoughts. Thank you!

National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Extended to November 30

This week, the Senate passed the NFIP extension. I applaud the Senate’s quick action to pass the NFIP extension bill that the House passed last week, and appreciate the strong efforts by Senators Cassidy and Kennedy to expedite passage of this bill that will prevent a lapse in the flood insurance program and extend NFIP through the remainder of hurricane season.

Millions of families and small businesses across the country rely on the flood insurance program. While this extension is necessary to prevent a lapse in the program, I will continue to fight for a long-term reauthorization of the NFIP that includes much-needed reforms to the program. I look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues in both the House and Senate to come to an agreement that provides long-term certainty to policyholders and taxpayers.

Standing Up for Religious Freedom

Last Friday, I led 84 of my House colleagues and Senator Ted Cruz (R-Texas) led 23 of his Senate colleagues in filing an amicus brief to stand up for religious freedom and the memory-of and tribute-to our fallen soldiers.

The American Humanist Association filed suit to remove a 90-year-old war memorial built by the American Legion honoring 49 soldiers from Prince George’s County, Maryland, who lost their lives in World War I. The Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled against the American Legion, and now the American Legion, with our support in Congress, has petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court to review and reverse this decision.

I’m proud to lead the fight in the House in support of this appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court that honors the religious tradition of our nation, protects memorials and monuments across the country that incorporate religious symbols, and seeks to clarify court rulings that misinterpret the true meaning of the separation of church and state. We must protect our national memorials to those who have given their all in support of our country and acknowledge the role that religion plays in American life. For 90 years, this cross has stood to honor 49 brave soldiers who gave the ultimate sacrifice to our country in World War I, and it’s incumbent upon us to make sure their memory and legacy is protected and defended at all costs.

Bevolo Visits the White House

Last week, President Trump held his Made in America summit and hosted Bevolo, a historic Louisiana family business, to showcase some of what Louisiana has to offer. Bevolo makes classic New Orleans style lighting fixtures and has operated in New Orleans since 1945. It was great to visit with the Bevolo team last week and congratulate them in person!

It is an honor to represent you in Congress. For more information please visit my website, Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook pages.

God Bless,
Steve Scalise, House Majority Whip

Girl Scouts Louisiana East invites new girls to earn Cybersecurity badge at Microsoft in Lakeside Mall

Hackers, beware! Girl Scouts are gaining skills to master and stop cybercrime. Girls in grades K through five are invited to earn the Cybersecurity badge and learn more about the Girl Scout Leadership Experience at the Microsoft store in Lakeside Mall on Saturday, August 25, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The informational meeting will provide girls and their families the opportunity to ask questions and register their daughters in Girl Scouts, and allow girls to participate in a hands-on cybersecurity activity with Microsoft. Adults interested in volunteering are encouraged to join.

“Girl Scouts unites the best of its legacy experiences — like outdoor adventure, camping, and its cookie program with exciting, modern programs in STEM and engineering to ensure a truly one-of-a-kind experience for today’s girls,” said Girl Scouts Louisiana East External Recruiting Specialist, Taymika Byrd. “Girls can expect to discover new interests, connect with others, and take action on issues that are important to build a lifetime of leadership.”

The annual Girl Scout membership fee is $25 for both girls and adults. Favorite activities include the outdoors, health and fitness, the arts, science and technology, travel, cookie-selling, and much more. For more information about the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, visit www.gsle.org.

The Girl Scout program levels are Girl Scout Daisies, grades K-1; Girl Scout Brownies, grades 2-3; Girl Scout Juniors, grades 4-5; Girl Scout Cadettes, grades 6-8; Girl Scout Seniors, grades 9-10; Girl Scouts Ambassadors, grades 11-12.

For more information about the Girl Scouts Microsoft event, please contact Byrd at tbyrd@gsle.org or (504) 214-5701.
St. Bernard Sheriff’s Office Addiction Resource Program coordinator guest speaker at Celebration Recovery

Stanley Simeon, coordinator of the St. Bernard Sheriff’s Office Addiction Resource Program, was the guest speaker Aug. 3 at Celebrate Recovery, a ministry of Celebration Church in Arabi, St. Bernard Parish, said.

Celebrate Recovery is a faith-based support group which meets every Friday at 7 p.m. at Celebration Church, 7500 W. Judge Perez Drive.

Gatherings are open to the public and are designed to offer support to those struggling with any type of addiction, including alcohol, narcotics and gambling, as well as eating disorders, depression and anger. For more information, contact Trevor Truitt at (504) 421-2496 or Brad Etheredge at (817) 614-3363.

Simeon, who has an extensive background in helping people with all sorts of addictions, works closely with Capt. Charles Borchers, director of the Community Relations Division, and Sheriff’s Office Chaplain Aaron Johnson to facilitate the Sheriff’s Office Addiction Resource Program.

Formed in June 2017, the program provides individuals and/or their families with information on resources available to them, such as rehabilitation programs, detox centers, therapeutic plans of action and faith-based assistance such as Celebrate Recovery at Celebration Church in Arabi.

If you or someone you know could benefit from the Sheriff’s Office Addiction Resource Program and would like more information, call Simeon at (504) 517-2944 or (504) 278-7659. Participation in the program is kept confidential.
St. Bernard Parish Government to Commemorate the Anniversary of Hurricane Katrina

St. Bernard Parish President Guy McInnis and the St. Bernard Parish Council would like to invite everyone to attend the 13th Annual Hurricane Katrina Commemorative Ceremony.

The event will be held at the Katrina Monument in Shell Beach on Wednesday, August 29, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. This is done each year in memory of the St. Bernard residents who lost their lives due to Hurricane Katrina. St. Bernard Transit Department will provide bus transportation to the event. The bus will leave Chalmette High School's 9th Grade Academy at 10:45 a.m. and return after the ceremony ends.

For more information please contact Lenor Duplessis at (504) 278-4331.

St. Bernard Grand Jury indicts man on Second Degree Murder

St. Bernard District Attorney, Perry Nicosia, today announced that Robert Benbow, a 26-year-old man, has been indicted for the Second Degree Murder of Michael Schultz on April 25, 2018.

District Attorney, Perry M. Nicosia, commented after the return of the indictment stating, “I’m pleased with the Second Degree Murder indictment.”

Police arrested Benbow after it was reported he was riding a bike in the 600 block of Chalmette Avenue when Benbow hit Michael Schultz with his Jeep Commander and drove away. Schulz died at the scene, which is less than two blocks from where the men were neighbors.

Witnesses reported to police that the two men were acquaintances and had an argument and Benbow threatened Schulz verbally and then intentionally struck him with his vehicle.

Pepper

Pepper is looking for a family to call her own. She is 8 months old and has been at the shelter for several months. Pepper is feisty and loves to play with her human friends. She would love to become a part of your family. Meet Pepper and all of her adoptable friends at the St. Bernard Parish Animal Shelter located at 5455 E. Judge Perez Drive in Violet or call 504-278-1534 for more information.

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Kiwanis Club Presents Scholarships To Local Students

The Kiwanis Club of St. Bernard presented their scholarship checks to the students for the fall 2018 semester at their meeting held on July 31.


Kiwanis Key Club Leadership Scholarship: Tyler Sanchez (2018)
### Classified Advertising

#### Services

- **Mike’s Lawn Care**, full service, quality work. Free estimates. Call 481-4286.

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- **Kenneth’s Painting & Carpentry**, Remodeling, painting, interior, exterior, pressure washing, sheet rock repairs, Senior citizens discounts! 19 years experience. (504) 250-3504

- **Darrell’s Full Lawn Service**, junk hauling, handyman services, born and raised in the parish. Call or text, 601-215-9378.

#### Garage Sales

- Multi Family Indoor Sale: 2107 Paris Rd. Knights of Columbus Hall, Saturday August 11, 8 till noon! Kitchen supplies, decor, baby items, clothes of all sizes, household items and more! This even is coordinated by the Kiwanis Club of St. Bernard-Arabi.

- Multi families: 421 Mink Dr. Arabi, Sat. August 11 from 7AM till 1PM. Lots of everything.

#### Mobile Homes-Sales

- **2013 Cavalier**, Two bedrooms/two baths, single wide, good condition. Asking 20,500 OBO. (504) 343-0412

#### Help Wanted

- **Part time maintenance, male or female**, cleaning, painting, grass cutting, paid cash, must be dependable and willing to work! Apply 7301 W. Judge Perez, Suite 18, Arabi.

- **Deckhands**
  
  Needed for inland crewboat service on the Mississippi River. Must be able to pass DOT drug screen and physical. Deckhand experience preferred, but not necessary. **TWIC necessary**.

  This position works 12 hours per day, 6 days on/3 days off And does revolve from day to night shift.

  Apply 7121 N. Peters St. Arabi, LA

#### For Rent

- **3 bedroom, 2 baths home**, central a/c, fenced yard. $1050 monthly, plus $1050 deposit. (504) 513-2696

- **Arabi, nice small one bedroom upper apartment**, stove, refrigerator, $695 monthly, water pd. (504) 343-2851

- **Single house, nice neighborhood, great location, lovely yard**, 324 Chinchilla, Arabi, $950 monthly. 430-4982

- **Chalmette, Three bedrooms, one bath, duplex**, $900 monthly, $600 deposit. (504) 616-3220

- **Three bedrooms/two bath apartment**, 3319 Laplace, St. Chalmette. Call (504) 277-8106.

#### Mobile Home Lots/Rent

- Mobile homes and RV’s furnished for rent. Water & Sewage paid, RV lots for rent, paved streets and parking, cable and internet available $600 and up for RV’s and $800 and up for mobile homes, all utilities paid, no deposit required. 682-4900.
Kiwanis Club “Read to Ride” Bicycle Program

The Kiwanis Club of St. Bernard-Arabi is proud to announce the completion of the 10th annual Read to Ride Program. The Kiwanis Club, in partnership with the St. Bernard Parish Library’s Super Summer Reading Program, donated six bicycles to the winners of a raffle drawing. This year 659 children participated in the program, with 160 children completing the reading activities. The names of those completing the program were entered in the raffle, and the winners were allowed to choose their bikes. Kiwanis Club Read to Ride Coordinator, Mitch Perkins, worked with the Parish Library Children’s Services Manager, Janet Perez, to make this program a success. Numerous other businesses and individuals also donated prizes to the library program.

The Kiwanis Club president, Sam Catalanotto said, “The Kiwanis Club is here to support and encourage all of the children of St. Bernard Parish through our programs. The Kiwanis Club also sponsors Read Around the World in all of our elementary schools, a Reading Incentive Program at W. Smith Elementary, a Key Club at Chalmette High, Builders Clubs in our middle schools, and K-Kids in the elementary schools. In conjunction with Chalmette Refining PBF, we also sponsor the well-known Terrific Kids and Terrific Teens programs.”

These are just a few of the many community service projects sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of St. Bernard-Arabi. Those interested in joining our service organization or sponsoring any of our programs, should call Robby Showalter at 504-616-7312, or join the club at its noon meeting every Tuesday at Rocky & Carlos.

Bingo at St. Margaret Nursing Home

Recently our ladies from SBVFC, St. Bernard Volunteers and Community, visited St. Margaret’s Nursing Home to play bingo and serve refreshments to its residents. The theme for the month of July was Red, White and Blue.
Marlies Mies Gilchrist

Marlies Mies Gilchrist passed away peacefully on Friday, July 27, 2018 at the age of 88. Her final days were spent surrounded by family and friends that she had touched in some way throughout her life. She was the cherished wife of the late Lawrence Gilchrist. Loving mother of Susan G. Moss (Jeffrey), Donna G. Schofield and the late Elaine G. Pritchard and Monica G. Magee. Daughter of the late Martin Mies and Martha Pech Mies. Sister of the late Guenter Mies and Waltraud Mies. Proud grandmother of Angela Harlan (Harley), Amanda Olinde (Joey), Jessica Moss and Chris Schofield. Great-grandmother of Connelly Dubuisson, Cameron Brown, Donovan Brown, Abigail Brown, Avery Olinde, Zoe Olinde, Taylor Olinde and Isabelle Olinde. She is fondly remembered by many nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

Marlies was born in Schlesier, Germany and was a resident of Chalmette, LA for 56 years before settling in Slidell, LA following Hurricane Katrina. Marlies enjoyed a long career in service as Chief Deputy for the Registrar of Voters and was a longtime member of the Council on Aging in Slidell. She found pleasure in the details of everyday life, her trips to the casino, playing bridge with her friends and caring deeply for others. She will always be remembered for her dedication to her family, her caring and loving spirit, her laughter, and spoiling the grandchildren. She was well loved and will be deeply missed by us all.

Relatives and friends were invited to attend a memorial gathering held at St. Bernard Memorial Funeral Home, 701 W. Virtue St., Chalmette, LA on Friday, August 3, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., followed by a memorial service will begin at 1:00 p.m. Interment will be private.

To view and sign the family guestbook, please visit www.stbernardmemorial.com.

Darla Kay Duvall Miller

Darla Kay Duvall Miller passed away on Tuesday, July 31, 2018 at the age of 61. Beloved mother of Lynsey Huval. Daughter of the late Fred Duvall and Donna Katzenbach Duvall. Sister of Linda Griffith, Faye Root (Thomas) and the late Gayle Ruiz. Proud grandmother of Savannah, Zoe and Nevaeh Huval. Also survived and fondly remembered by her dear friend Carol Saltalmachia (Buddy), her niece Starla Callais (Warren), many other nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews and friends.

Darla was born on October 20, 1956 in New Orleans, LA. She was a current resident of Folsom, LA. She will be forever remembered and deeply missed by her family and friends.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a memorial visitation to be held at St. Bernard Memorial Funeral Home, 701 W. Virtue St., Chalmette, LA on Friday, August 3, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., followed by a memorial Mass in her memory that began at 11:00 a.m. She was laid to rest with her beloved husband in St. Bernard Memorial Gardens.

To view and sign the family guestbook, please visit www.stbernardmemorial.com.

Dolores Loverde Long

Dolores Loverde Long passed away Friday, July 27, 2018 at the age of 84. She was the beloved wife of 62 years to the late Cola Henry Long Jr. Loving mother of Richard J. Long (Karen) and Lori Long Cuccia (Anthony). Proud and devoted grandmother of Natasha Cuccia Robin (Kevin Hargis), Scott Cuccia (Melissa), Amy Long Desselle (Kenny) and her great grandchildren Evan Cuccia, Evangeline Cuccia and Nicholas Robin. Daughter of the late Enola Quatroy Loverde and Victor W. Loverde Sr. Sister of the late Victor Loverde Jr. and Daryl F. Loverde. Sister-in-law of Darlene Gonzales (Edward), Joyce Latino (the late Marion), Robert Long (Vicki), Joseph Long Sr. (Dardenelia) and the late Huey Long (the late Beverly), the late Eunice Doane (the late Buddy) and the late Ethel Melton (the late Charles). She is also survived and fondly remembered by many nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

Dolores was a lifelong and active resident of St. Bernard Parish. She was a dedicated homemaker and devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She also volunteered her time to numerous charitable causes. She was an active member of St. Bernard Volunteers for Family and Community and New Orleans Women and Wine. She was a former Empress and active member of the Gladiator’s Carnival Organization.

She was well loved and affectionately known for her good nature and generous heart. She will forever be remembered as a loving and loyal wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend to so many. She believed in hard work and wanted nothing more than the best for her family and friends.

Relatives and friends were invited to attend a visitation held at St. Bernard Memorial Funeral Home, 701 W. Virtue St., Chalmette, LA on Thursday, August 2, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A funeral Mass will begin at 1:30 p.m. She will be laid to rest in St. Bernard Memorial Gardens.

To view and sign the family guestbook, please visit www.stbernardmemorial.com.

Sandra Duet Royer


Sandra was never happier than when spending time with her grandchildren and spreading love to her family. She loved the outdoors, was a lover of life, and always enjoyed having a good time. She will be dearly loved and forever missed by all those fortunate enough to have known her.

A memorial service was held in Sandra’s honor at St. Bernard Memorial Funeral Home, in Chalmette, on Wednesday, July 18, 2018.

To sign and view the family guestbook, please visit www.stbernardmemorial.com.
What's Happening
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ride. $7.00/wheel. On FB - "St Bernard Social Ride" and join our group.

Monthly, 4th Wednesday
• St. Bernard Parish Hospital’s Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support Group, designed to provide emotional, educational, and social support for caregiver’s through regularly scheduled meetings. Participants develop methods and skills to solve problems. The group encourages caregivers to maintain their own personal, physical, and emotional health, as well as optimally care for the person with dementia. St. Bernard Parish Hospital first floor conference room, 2 PM.

Events in nearby Parishes
• AUGUST 14, 2018 - J. Cole announces North American KOD Tour with special guest Young Thug. Smoothie King Center, New Orleans. Tickets for the KOD tour are on sale at www.dreamville.com and LiveNation.com.
• AUGUST 25, 2018 - Fourth Annual Lil’ Weezyana Fest. Bold Sphere Music at Champions Square, New Orleans. Tickets are on sale at or visit www.livenation.com, Ticketmaster.com, and the Smoothie King Center Box Office.
• AUGUST 25, 2018 - Tony Bennett with special guest Antonia Bennett. Saenger Theatre, New Orleans. Tickets for Tony Bennett are on sale at the Saenger Theatre Box Office, ticketmaster.com or by calling 800-745-3000. The box office, located at 1111 Canal St., is open Monday through Friday 10am to 5pm. All tickets subject to applicable service charges and fees.
• AUGUST 27, 2018 - Journey and Def Leppard. Smoothie King Center, New Orleans. Tickets are on sale at livetnation.com.
• SEPTEMBER 5, 2018 - Paul Simon, Home- ward Bound: The Farewell Tour. Smoothie King Center, New Orleans. The complete tour itinerary is listed below. Go to PaulSimon.com for ticketing information as it becomes available.
• SEPTEMBER 22, 2018 - Taylor Swift, Mer- cedes-Benz Superdome. General ticketing and on-sale information is currently available at Taylorswift.com.
• OCTOBER 10, 2018 - Fall Out Boy. Smoothie King Center, New Orleans. Tickets are on sale at www.ticketmaster.com. $1 from every ticket sold will go to the Fall Out Boy Fund benefiting charities throughout Chicago. For a complete list of tour dates, please visit https://falloutboy.com/tour.
• OCTOBER 18, 2018 - Kevin Hart: IRresponsible Tour. Smoothie King Center, New Orleans. Tickets are on sale at LivetNation.com.
• DECEMBER 6, 2018 - Elton John: Farewell Yellow Brick Road Tour. Tickets and VIP packages can be purchased at EltonJohn.com.
• DECEMBER 26, 2018 - Great Russian Nutcracker. Saenger Theatre, New Orleans. Tickets are on sale at the Saenger Theatre Box Office, ticketmaster.com or by calling 800-745-3000. The box office, located at 1111 Canal St., is open Monday through Friday 10am to 5pm. All tickets subject to applicable service charges and fees.

Michael Wallace Engelhardt

Michael Wallace Engelhardt passed away on July 27, 2018 at the age of 36. He was the proud and beloved father of Landin Michael Engelhardt and Kilynn Alexis Engelhardt. Son of the late Wallace John Engelhardt and Eileen Selkin Engelhardt. Brother of Letitia Baillio (Hugh), Janice Gill and the late Theresa Allueva and John Engelhardt II. He is also survived and fondly remembered by many nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends.

Michael was born in Metairie, LA and was a longtime resident of St. Bernard Parish where he enjoyed a career in Air Conditioning repair. Michael found joy in the simple pleasures of everyday life, hunting and fishing with friends and spending time with his family. He will always be remembered for his dedication to his family and friends, his caring and loving spirit, the way he made us laugh, and his deep love and affection for his children. He was a wonderful example of what it means to care for others and will be deeply missed by us all.

Relatives and friends were invited to attend a visitation held at St. Bernard Memorial Funeral Home, 701 W. Virtue St., Chalmette, LA on Saturday, August 4, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to noon, followed by a funeral service in Michael’s memory that began at noon. He was laid to rest in a private cemetery.

To view and sign the family guestbook, please visit www.stbernardmemorial.com.

Royal Diamond Divas Opens in Chalmette

Royal Diamond Divas held a Ribbon Cutting ceremony at 8847 W. Judge Perez Drive in Chalmette.

Owner Precious McNeil was joined by State Representative Ray Garofalo and St. Bernard Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Cathy Alfonso.

Royal Diamond Divas offers different styles of dance such as Hip Hop, Modern, Jazz, Contemporary, Parade and Baton Twirling. Classes include age appropriate music and choreography. The company is accepting children ages 5-17 and adults. Their vision and goals are to inspire the community with dance, majorette and cheer. Join them at a Grand Opening Celebration on Saturday, August 4th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. with a Show Time at 3:00 p.m.

The hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 4:30 to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Royal Diamond Divas performs in events throughout the year: parades, competitions, recitals, stage performances, workshops, field trips, and mentor classes.

To contact Royal Diamond Divas call (504) 575-6991, visit the website at royaldiamonddivas.com or visit their Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/RoyalDiamondDivas17.

Photo by Lenor Duplessis.
"Just as John the Baptist was a forerunner to prepare the way for the ministry of Jesus Christ, many people came before us and paved the way for the establishment of the Church in this area," explained the New Orleans Stake President Greg Stock of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints during the building dedication for the Chalmette congregation’s new home of worship on Sunday July 22, 2018.

One of those members who helped pave the way is Craig Mackles, who joined the congregation in 1981. "Back then, we had to meet in school cafeterias. I have seen us grow before and know that through faith and hard work we can be a large congregation again."

After growing in the 1980’s, the Chalmette Mormon congregation met in a chapel they built on a nice ¾ acre lot until it was completely decimated by Hurricane Katrina in 2005. After Katrina, Chalmette Latter-day Saints commuted to New Orleans to attend church with the New Orleans congregation until March 2015, when they were able to regather as a congregation in Chalmette. The Gethsemane Lutheran Church shared their building with them until they found a building to renovate, and last Sunday dedicated it to be their new home of worship.

Many members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Chalmette were dispersed after Katrina and never moved back. Many previous members of the Chalmette Ward returned for the dedication ceremony and shared their stories of the importance of the Church in their lives and how they helped it grow in Chalmette.

The Church is growing and trying to reestablish itself in the Chalmette area. The Chalmette congregation’s Branch President Josh Farrell is very grateful for their newly renovated building and is leading the work of growing the branch. He explains, "Through dedicated service, I have come to know my Savior Jesus Christ. Our role on earth is to serve Jesus Christ, and we are all called to serve, love, and lift up others." President Farrell also expressed appreciation to the Gethsemane Lutheran Church for their generosity in sharing their building.

President Stock was also very grateful for the Gethsemane Lutheran Church. Before the dedication ceremony, President Stock met with their Pastor Sandra Barnes and gave her a letter of appreciation. The two leaders spoke of their positive relationship and renewed their commitment to work together to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to the Chalmette community. Pastor Barnes invited the Chalmette Congregation to join them in their interfaith Thanksgiving celebration in November and President Stock warmly accepted.

During the ceremony, President Stock acknowledged and called up Barbara Brunet, the office manager for the Lutheran Church who was present at the dedication, to say a few words. She also acknowledged the congenial relationship between the two churches and expressed encouragement to continue working together. President Stock urged those present to minister to those around them. He stated, "Everybody matters. We need to make an effort to help those around us in their journey back to Heavenly Father."

The Chalmette Branch of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints now meet at 9115 West Judge Perez Drive in Chalmette. Their sacrament meeting starts at 10 am on Sundays. Everyone is welcome.