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District C Candidate Interviews

Election season is fully upon us. The primary election for Mayor, City Council, Sheriff, Assessor, Coroner, Civil District Court Clerk, and Criminal District Court Clerk will be held on November 13, 2021. A general (run-off) election, if needed, is scheduled for December 11, 2021.

To assist our members in City Council District C, we have interviewed all seven candidates to understand their goals and priorities for the French Quarter and the City at large. We have transcribed these interviews and they are now available [here](#).



Riverfest 2021

Saturday, October 23, 2021

New Orleans Jazz Museum

10:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

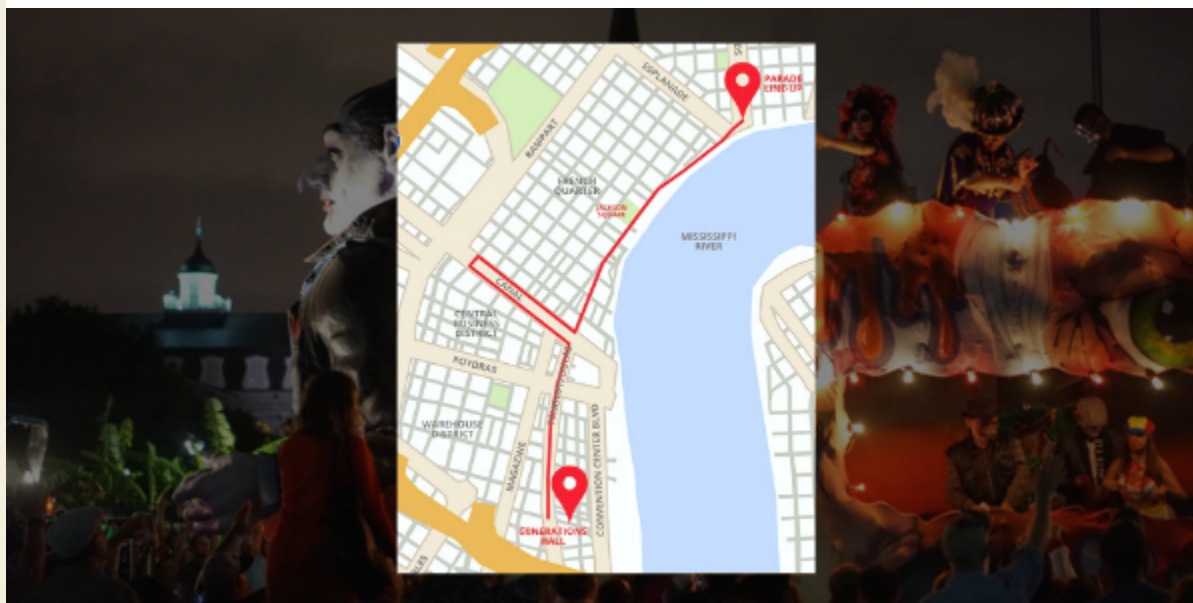
The 9th Annual [NOLA River Fest](#) is right around the corner and will include live music, educational walking tours, delicious local food, a full bar, and more!

[CORE](#) will be in the Riverside Courtyard from 1:30 to 4:30 PM offering COVID-19 vaccines and boosters. A QR code and registration link will be available throughout the festival to register for an appointment.

Note: CORE will be able to offer doses of Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson, but will not be offering Moderna vaccines.

[The Water Collaborative of Greater New Orleans](#) will offer interactive walking tours of the Mississippi River at the beginning and end of the day. These tours will explore the story of water and how it has shaped the environment, culture, and politics of New Orleans and Southeast Louisiana.

More information [here](#).



Krewe of Boo & The Dr. Faucis

The Krewe of Boo parade is back and will roll through the French Quarter at **6:30pm** on **Saturday, October 23, 2021**.

1. Assemble at Elysian Fields Avenue

2. Parade Down Elysian Fields Avenue to North [Peters Street](#)
3. North Peters Street to [Decatur Street](#)
4. Decatur Street past Jackson Square to [North Peters Street](#)
5. North Peters Street to [Canal Street](#)
6. Up Canal Street to Burgundy Street then U-turn
7. Down Canal Street to [Tchoupitoulas Street](#)
8. Tchoupitoulas Street to Andrew Higgins Drive

Expect rolling road closures.

The New Orleans Health Department, in partnership with the Louisiana Department of Health, will be conducting a COVID-19 surveillance study at the Krewe of Boo parade this Saturday, October 23. The purpose of the study is to understand better how community mitigation measures provide a protective factor from COVID-19 during a Carnival-type event. **During the parade, 40 NOHD employees and volunteers, dressed as Dr. Anthony Fauci, will be holding signs with QR Codes that link up to the questionnaire.** The Faucis will be handing out goody-bags to those who participate in the study filled with fun items and a free at-home Ellume COVID-19 test. Since the City of New Orleans enacted the mask and vaccine mandates in August, vaccinations increased over 11%, and the average daily cases decreased by 90%. We hope that the information gathered from this study will help us make an informed decision around Carnival 2022.



Neighborhood Summit 2021

Saturday, November 6, 2021

[900 Convention Center Blvd.](#)

Hall H & I

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Engagement's annual Neighborhood Summit will resume this November.

The annual Neighborhood Summit celebrates the strength, history, and diversity of our city's neighborhoods, bringing together community leaders, non-profit agencies, and city government.

At the Summit, attendees will be able to attend workshops with topics ranging from Public Safety to Green Infrastructure. Dozens of City departments and agencies will be included in the Summit resource fair. A musical performance by a special guest and dozens of giveaways will also be held.

All Summit attendees will be required to wear a mask, show proof of vaccination or proof of a negative COVID test taken with 72 hours of the event to be allowed entry.



Road Closures

Starting **Monday, October 25, 2021 at 8 a.m.**, the City of New Orleans Department of Public Works will temporarily close the **300 and 400 blocks of Bourbon Street**, as well as the **800 blocks of Conti Street**, to vehicular traffic in order to accommodate utility upgrades and paving efforts.

To sign up to receive important construction updates, you can text ROADWORK to 77295 or go to ready.nola.gov/alerts to create a whole profile and select the "roadwork" alert list.



#FQThenAndNow

Boo! 🎃 We're back with #FQThenAndNow!

Embracing the Halloween spirit, this month we will be bringing you spooky facts about some of the historic (and haunted?) buildings in the French Quarter!

We're taking a look at [725 Ursuline Avenue](#), one of the c. 1830 triplet Transitional style townhouses. However, this particular building's past is a bit more haunting than its looks.

Then...

According to [the Historic New Orleans Collection](#) this building originally had a wrought iron balcony and arched French doors with fanlights along the ground level. Around the mid-19th century the lower floors were updated with Greek Revival details. This is the same time that they may have replaced the wrought iron balcony with a cast iron gallery.

This little gem has seen a lot from its residents in its 191 years. For example, a July 3, 1926 New Orleans States article reports that resident Pete Toneuie and a rival sno-ball vendor by the name of Nick Alestiton had a "lively bottle battle" which led to their arrests for fighting and disturbing the peace. It seems that Mr. Alestiton arrived at [725 Ursulines](#) to confront Mr. Toneuie about undercutting his prices in a perceived effort to put Mr. Alestiton out of business. The report explains what happened: "...each ran to his push-cart. Simultaneously they grabbed up syrup bottles as weapons and began hurling them at each other. Several strikes were made on either side and some lumps were raised on the persons of both. Whenever there was a miss and the bottles went crashing against a brick wall, it sounded as if a Hun battle was in progress." Apparently, this went on until the police arrived and they ran out of syrup bottles!

And**Now...**

Today's tale first appeared in the 1930's publication "[Gumbo Ya-Ya](#)," a collection of some of Louisiana's oldest oral tales. This 18th century story involves Mr. and Mrs. Hans Muller, two prominent New Orleans citizens and sausage factory owners. After building a successful business, rumors began spreading around the city that Mr. Muller had taken a much younger mistress and was no longer interested in Mrs. Muller. As such, one fateful evening, fueled by greed and misplaced affections, Mr. Muller strangled his wife before shoving her remains through a sausage grinder. Shortly after, people began noticing her disappearance and so he ran away. Finding himself haunted by his wife's ghost, he quickly turned himself in to the police in hopes that it would alleviate his conscience. Unable to escape her hauntings, Mr. Muller soon drove himself mad with guilt and took his own life.

In the strange way that history goes, in the late 1920s, two wives of butchers were also found brutally dismembered and stuffed in trunks just a few doors down at 715 Ursuline.

I could talk about these stories for days but I'll stop now before I butcher them. 🦋

Don't forget to give us a follow on [social media](#) and keep an eye out for #FQThenAndNow for more spooky buildings this month! 🎃👻

Interested in seeing more historic images of the French Quarter? Go Check out the [Vieux Carre Virtual Library](#) for more historic images!



Le Rendez Vieux Gala
In Honor of Albert "Blue" Flettrich, Jr.

November 11, 2021

at the Beauregard Keyes House

Patron Party 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Gala 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.



Le Rendez Vieux Gala

Mark your calendars for the return of our annual fall gala, **Le Rendez Vieux**, on **Thursday, November 11, 2021**. We are honoring the generosity and legacy of Albert "Blue" Flettrich, Jr. this year at the beloved [Beauregard-Keyes House](#), The *Patron Party* will commence at **6:00 p.m.** and will lead us into the *Main Event* from **7:00 to 10:00 p.m.** Visit our [Gala event page](#) for more information and to purchase tickets.

Entertainment:

Meschiya Lake & the Little Big Quartet
Alicia Renee aka "Blue Eyes"

Food and Drink:

Jacques-Imos Cafe
Piece of Meat
Bayou Beer Garden & Bayou Wine Garden
Bar Tonique,
and more!

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