



City of Thibodaux

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FEBRUARY CALENDAR ART

Trinity Pontiff

Age 9

Daughter of April Danos

Message from the Mayor

“As many of you already know, during the past 50 years the City received the distinction of being named the Cleanest City in our District by the Louisiana Garden Club many times.

This award was bestowed upon the City as a result of much hard work and dedication from the Thibodaux Garden Club and the employees of the City of Thibodaux. More importantly though, I think our success in the competition was most attributed to our residents and business owners.”

To read more, click [HERE!](#)



Catholic Charities Assistance to Thibodaux Residents during COVID-19

Any City of Thibodaux residents who are having trouble paying utilities, rent and/or mortgage due to COVID-19 can fill out an online application with Catholic Charities for assistance.

Please visit <https://www.htdiocese.org/individual-and-family-assistance> to submit an application or call 985-876-0490 if no online access is available.

Free Bus Vouchers

The City of Thibodaux’s Department of Housing and Community Development announces that it is currently issuing Free Bus Vouchers to Low-Moderate Income Residents. All interested individuals must provide picture ID, proof of residency, and proof of income of all household members. Eligible residents can receive 3 free, all day bus passes each week. This program is being funded by the 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). For more information, please call 985-446-7217 or visit the office at 112 St. Mary Street in Thibodaux.

**SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
MAINSTREAM VOUCHER LIMITED OPENING OF WAITLIST**

THE CITY OF THIBODAUX HAS BEEN AWARDED A NEW HOUSING VOUCHER PROGRAM CALLED THE MAINSTREAM VOUCHER PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM IS BEING FUNDED BY HUD THROUGH THE CARES ACT. THE CITY HAS APPROXIMATELY 30 AVAILABLE VOUCHERS TO ADMINISTER. IN ORDER TO QUALIFY THE HOUSEHOLD MUST:

INCLUDE A NON-ELDERLY PERSON WITH A DISABILITY (A PERSON OVER THE AGE OF 18 BUT UNDER THE AGE OF 62) ONLY THOSE WHO MEET THE ABOVE CRITERIA WILL BE ALLOWED TO APPLY. ONLY 30 APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

IN ORDER TO ENSURE EVERYONE'S SAFETY IN LIGHT OF POSSIBLE COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS, A CALL-IN PROCEDURE ONLY WILL BE UTILIZED. APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AS FOLLOWS:

DATE: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021

TIME: 8:00 AM - UNTIL 30 APPLICATIONS ARE TAKEN

PLACE: CALL IN PROCEDURE - 985-446-7226

QUESTIONS BEFOREHAND CAN BE SENT TO CDBG@CI.THIBODAUX.LA.US. OR YOU CAN CALL THE OFFICE PRIOR TO APPLICATION DAY AT 985-446-7217 FOR MORE INFORMATION. THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC ON THE DAY OF APPLICATION. NO IN-PERSON APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

**JANICE LANDRY
DIRECTOR**

CITY OF THIBODAUX



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Dave Granier

Parks & Recreation

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Dave has worked for the City of Thibodaux for over 5 years. Dave is originally from Kraemer, but currently resides in Thibodaux. When he is not at work, Dave enjoys fishing as well as building and organizing things around the house.

Typical tasks performed by Dave include maintaining the exterior appearance of buildings in all of the Parks as well as laborer work in afternoons.

When asked to comment what is most rewarding about his job while working for the City of Thibodaux and his proudest moment, Dave said,

"The most rewarding part of my job is that there's always something new and exciting happening in Parks and Recreation. Also, I am proud of the new friendships and relationships with my co-workers that I have developed over the years."

Dave noted his biggest achievement to date as a personal one:
"My biggest achievement to date is being married for 31 years and raising my daughter."



Friends of Bayou Lafourche Breaks Ground on Nicholls Bayou-Side Park

Friends of Bayou Lafourche, Inc. (FOBL) hosted a groundbreaking ceremony on Wednesday January 27th, 2021 at the construction site where work begins on Phase #1 of their Nicholls Bayou-Side redevelopment project. The improvements will take place on the Nicholls batture property near the intersection on La Highway 1 and Bowie Road. The park, which will be open to the public, will include an off-street parking lot, areas for loading/unloading paddle powered boats, a custom boat slide for kayaks, a pavilion, boardwalk, floating dock, connectivity to the existing walking trail, seating, bike racks, and more.

To read more, click [HERE](#).





Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District Authorizes Contractor to Begin Weir Demolition

The Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District has authorized Sealevel Construction to proceed with the Thibodaux weir removal project. The initial work will take place at the City of Thibodaux's water treatment facility and began in early January. The weir demolition is scheduled to begin in late February and completed by mid-2021. Pedestrian traffic, some bayou-side vehicular parking spaces, boat traffic, and fishing will be restricted around the immediate area during utility relocation, equipment mobilization, and weir demolition.

Long-term closure of La Highway 1 is not expected.

As part of the MRRBL (Mississippi River Reintroduction into Bayou Lafourche) series of projects, the removal of the weir plays a critical role in the Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District's ability to pump more fresh water into the Bayou Lafourche to protect our endangered coast due to saltwater intrusion. The only true long-term mitigation for this continued encroachment is to increase the fresh water supply into Bayou Lafourche from the Mississippi River, and removal of the weir is a large part of the MRRBL project list.

To read more, click [HERE](#).

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Groundhog Day & City Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 2, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Planning and Zoning Meeting

Wednesday, February 3, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Valentine's Day

Sunday, February 14, 2021

Presidents' Day

Monday, February 15, 2021

City Offices Closed

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 16, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Board of Adjustments Meeting

Wednesday, February 24, 2021 @ 5:30 PM



City of Thibodaux Utility Payment Options

City of Thibodaux utility customers can set up their accounts for direct payments. Please view the [DIRECT PAYMENT GUIDE](#) for more information. Then print the [DIRECT PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION FORM](#), fill out, and return either by mail (310 West 2nd Street P.O. Box 5418 Thibodaux LA, 70302) or drop box location (City Hall or Thibodaux Police Department). Also, utility customers can make payments online by visiting <https://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/thibodauxla> and setting up their account.

Street Light Outages

Click [HERE](#) to report a street light outage, or contact Entergy at 1-800-368-3749.

Natural Gas or Water Leak

If you suspect a natural gas or water leak **AFTER** normal working hours (7:00 AM - 4:00 PM), please call 985-446-5021 and the City of Thibodaux Gas and Water Division will be dispatched and respond immediately to investigate the emergency. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

For questions or comments regarding this newsletter or for the City of Thibodaux, contact:

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