



City of Thibodaux

NEWSLETTER



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JULY CALENDAR ART

Emily Percle

Age 6

Granddaughter of
Tommy Eschete



Message from the Mayor

“After listening to all the political rhetoric that has been flying around during this year of a new presidential administration, it brings to mind the fact that we should examine what our rights, duties and responsibilities are as Americans and citizens of the greatest country on the face of this earth.”

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



Independence Day Fireworks

The City of Thibodaux would like to invite residents and visitors to come out on Sunday, July 4, 2021, to Peltier Park to watch the fireworks display at 9 PM to celebrate our nation's independence!

**WEIR REMOVAL
BOAT PARADE**

- ▶ Tentatively scheduled for Summer 2021
- ▶ Free and open to the public
- ▶ Will take place in Thibodaux
- ▶ Open to motorized boats and paddle powered boats
- ▶ Live bands along the route
- ▶ More information to come

LOUISIANA'S
CAJUN BAYOU
LAFOURCHE PARISH

FRIENDS OF
**BAYOU
LAFOURCHE**

White Car
THE BRAND CONSULTANCY

CITY OF THIBODAUX



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Nathan Oubre

Public Works

Fire Inspector

Being a resident of Thibodaux for over 23 years, Nathan has been married to his wife, Cindy, for 38 years and they have 3 children and 2 grandchildren. Nathan has worked for the City of Thibodaux for 9 years. When he is not at work, Nathan enjoys being with his grandchildren.

On a typical day, Nathan is tasked with testing fire hydrants and doing fire pre-plans for businesses throughout the City. There are 855 fire hydrants and 750 businesses in the City of Thibodaux that Nathan has to test and visit at least once a year. Currently, Nathan is working on having some fire hydrants replaced due to their age.

When asked to comment what is most rewarding about his job while working for the City of Thibodaux and what makes it worthwhile, Nathan said, "Meeting with all of the business owners in Thibodaux to ensure they are prepared and up to date with their pre-plans for the fire department in case of fire or inspection."

Nathan's proudest moment working for the City of Thibodaux was becoming the Fire Inspector for the City.

Nathan noted his biggest achievement to date is being the assistant Fair Chairman for the Thibodaux Volunteer Fire Department for the last 20 years. Nathan has been a member of the Thibodaux Volunteer Fire Department for 21 years.

City of Thibodaux

Emergency Preparedness

For more information on weather alerts, resources, documents, or COVID-19 updates, please visit the Emergency Preparedness page on the City of Thibodaux’s website [HERE](#). For a copy of “My Emergency Preparedness Plan,” please click [HERE](#).

City Council Chambers Handicap Access

In order to assist with handicap access to all public meetings held in City Council Chambers, the City has established a phone line in the meeting room. If assistance is needed for entry to the building for a public meeting, please call (985) 324-6600, and someone will be available to help you.

Parks and Recreation

MUNICIPAL POOL ADMISSION FEES AND HOURS

JUNE 1—JULY 31

GENERAL ADMISSION

\$3.00 PER PERSON
ACCESS TO POOL AND SPLASH PAD

PUBLIC SWIMMING

MONDAY—SATURDAY
1:30PM 4:30PM

SPLASH PAD

MONDAY—FRIDAY 8:30AM-7:00PM
SATURDAY / SUNDAY 10:00AM—4:30PM

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

\$150 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP / \$75 SINGLE PERSON MEMBERSHIP
MONDAY—FRIDAY 7:00PM—9:00PM
SUNDAY 1:30PM— 4:30PM
GENERAL SWIMMING HOURS



UPCOMING REGISTRATIONS

TO VIEW THE CITY OF THIBODAUX'S PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT'S UPCOMING REGISTRATIONS, CLICK THE LINKS BELOW. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT APRIL COURTEAUX AT 985-446-7235.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

- [TREC 2021 CHEERLEADING CLINICS](#)
 - [BOYS FLAG FOOTBALL](#)
 - [TREC GIRLS FALL FAST PITCH](#)

ADULT REGISTRATIONS

- [LINE DANCING](#)



Hometown Heroes

The City of Thibodaux and the Thibodaux Parks and Recreation Department would like to honor all service members as well as our local heroes for the upcoming holiday, Independence Day. To view the 2021 Hometown Heroes applicants and their banners, please click [HERE](#). If you or someone you know would like to honor a loved one for next year's Hometown Heroes, please click [HERE](#) for program guidelines and application.



HOMETOWN HERO

SGT Amy Delatte
USMC/Nicholls State Veteran



HOMETOWN HERO

SGM Luther W. Lucas, Jr.
Army



HOMETOWN HERO

SN Brandon Randolph
Navy/Nicholls State Veteran



In 2013 the City of Thibodaux's Recreation Department wanted to afford the opportunity for young swimmers in our community to be able to compete at a reasonable price. We devised a plan to create our own Swim Team and have our municipal pool as its home. There was a significant investment in time and talent for this to even be remotely possible. Our plan was thorough, detailed, and it was ground roots. We were starting from scratch. We had one part-time coach (Andrea Lotz), one full-time director (Kevin Clement), no swimmers, no lane ropes, no starting blocks ... we didn't even have a stopwatch or a team name. But slowly we started, swimmer by swimmer, parent by parent, race by race we competed. We struggled mightily, but we competed.

And each year we showed progress, our number of swimmers increased, our times improved. We came up with a team name, a logo, added volunteer coaches and parent groups.

In 2013 we had maybe 72 swimmers; now in 2021, we have over 250 participants. For seven years we put our noses to the grindstone and went to work. Sometimes as early as 6:30 am, sometimes as late as 8:00 pm, whenever there was free pool time, you could find a coach and a TigerShark splashing around in the pool. We laid a solid foundation and continued to build, brick by brick. There have been many swimmers and parents who have been a part of this since 2014, and they all have been instrumental in our success.

This past Saturday at the Championship meet in Cut Off, the Thibodaux TigerSharks were crowned Champions. While we are excited about this victory, we are even more proud and impressed with the culture we have created and the friendship we have fostered. For 7 years we have continued to create a bond between the City of Thibodaux Recreation Department and the participants of this group. Many feel like they were part of a special summer experience and as a result will never forget the lessons learned or the relationships developed. You will always accomplish more in victory as a team than you would as individuals.

City of Thibodaux Seeking Landlords for Section 8 Program

The City of Thibodaux is seeking out Landlords in the City of Thibodaux that would have available rental units and be interested in becoming a Landlord on the Section 8 Program.

For more information contact Janice Landry at
CDBG@ci.thibodaux.la.us or call 985-446-7217.

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.

SAVE *the* **DATE**

Independence Day

Sunday, July 4, 2021

Independence Day (Observed)

Monday, July 5, 2021

City Offices Closed

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 6, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Planning and Zoning Meeting

Wednesday, July 7, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Historic District Commission Meeting

Thursday, July 8, 2021 @ 4:00 PM

Civil Service Meeting

Tuesday, July 13, 2021 @ 4:30 PM

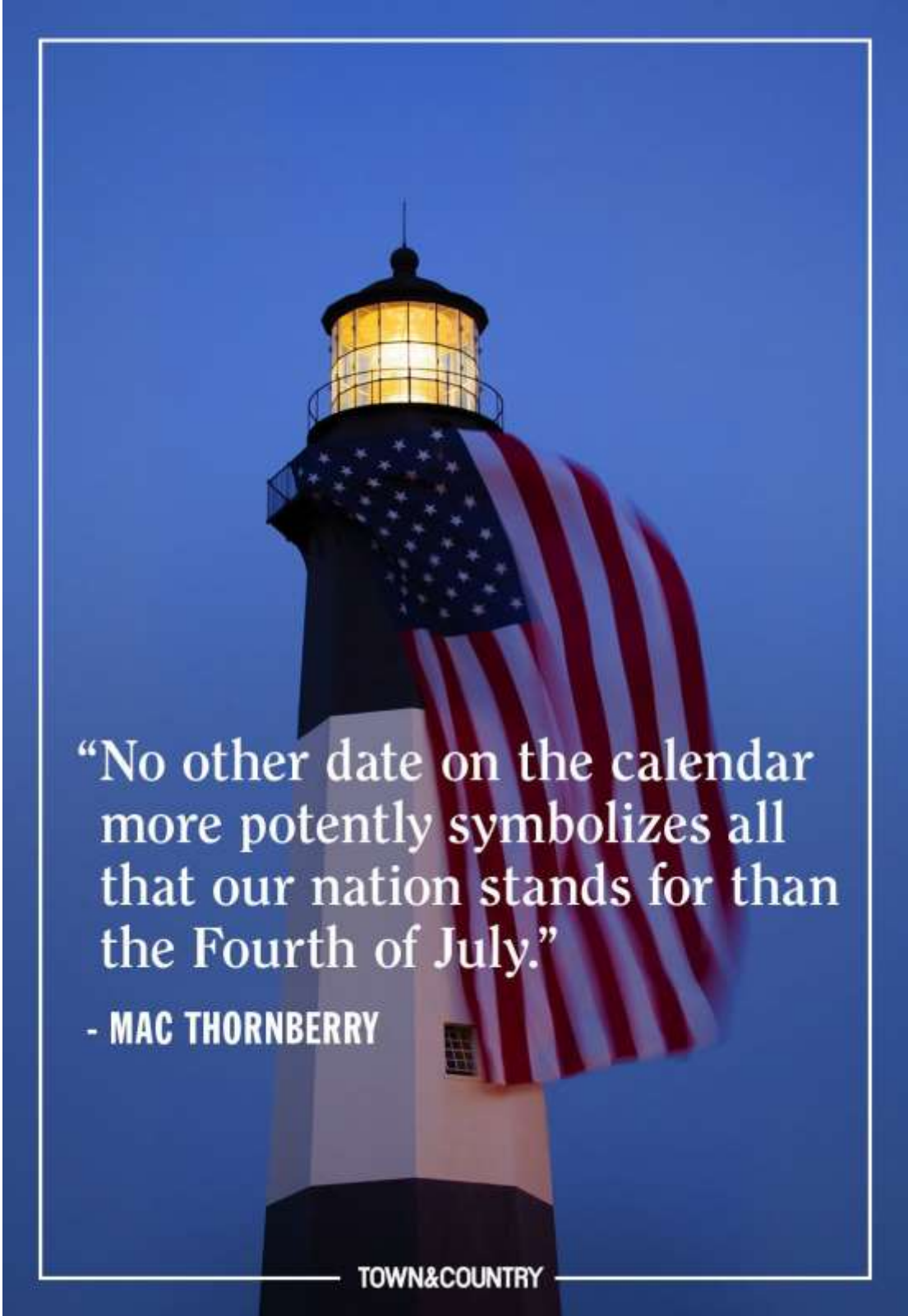
City Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 20, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Board of Adjustments Meeting

Wednesday, July 28, 2021 @ 5:30 PM

QUOTE ME

A photograph of a lighthouse with a white tower and a black top section. A large American flag is draped around the lighthouse, partially covering the tower. The lighthouse is illuminated from within, and the sky is a clear, deep blue. The entire image is framed by a white border.

“No other date on the calendar more potently symbolizes all that our nation stands for than the Fourth of July.”

- MAC THORBERRY

TOWN&COUNTRY

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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