



City of Thibodaux

NEWSLETTER



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SEPTEMBER CALENDAR ART

Christopher Verdin

8th Grade

Bayou Community Academy

Message from the Mayor

"As we wind down our summer months of youth recreation and family vacations, the normal sense of fun and enjoyment has been overshadowed by violence and civil unrest across our great country. Just as the events of 9/11 united us as a people and a country, the recent actions blaming law enforcement and guns for the horrific rise in crime across our country continue to divide us along the lines of political ideologies, race and culture."

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



ATTENTION CITY OF THIBODAUX AND LAFOURCHE PARISH EMPLOYEES:
ETHIC'S TRAINING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2022, AT 2:00 PM AND HELD AT THE WARREN J. HARANG MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM. FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT KELLY CHIGHIZOLA AT 985-446-7278 OR kchighizola@ci.thibodaux.la.us.



LOUDUN-THIBODAUX TWINNING CONNECTIONS CONTINUE

Pictured are Francoise DuBois who is in charge of all the twinings in Loudun; Karine Auger, head of the Thibodaux Twinning; Loudun Mayor Joel Dazas; Pierre Auger, who spent the month of July in Thibodaux.

Pierre presented the gift he received from Mayor Eschete to Mayor Dazas upon his return home in August.



Mayor Tommy Eschete wishes to remind you that we are now in the most active phase of hurricane season. With this in mind, it is never too late to begin your preparations which might include planning for evacuation and protection of your home and properties. Although we as local and state agencies must be prepared year round, vigilance by our citizens makes our jobs much easier should we face an active storm season this year.

Preventing the loss of life and minimizing the damage to property from hurricanes are responsibilities that are shared by everyone. Any time you are asked to evacuate, you should do so without delay. It is important for you and your family to have a plan that makes you as safe as possible. Preparedness includes having the supplies on hand to weather any storm. Most importantly, stay informed.

The actual hurricane is not the only danger from these severe storms. In fact, although many people have a hurricane plan in place, many do not have plans to prepare for other safety concerns such as storm surges, floods and tornadoes. Hurricane preparedness encompasses all these issues.

According to many publications, since we live in a hurricane-prone area, your plan needs to include:

- A Vital Information List: Copies of documents and a way to make them secure and accessible.
- A Medical Information List: Medical, allergy and prescription drug history and insurance information for each person evacuating.
- An Emergency wallet.
- An Evacuation Plan: Who is going to be evacuating with you, where will you go, where will you stay, and how will you get there?
- An Essential Item Checklist: The items, you need to take with you.
- A Get Back To Life Plan: What you and your family will do if you are unable to live in your home, or city for an extended amount of time.

With preparations made for our immediate family and loved ones, for some of us, we are still not finished. For those of us who also have furry friends, we must also consider what we will do for them. As advised by the International Fund for Animal Welfare, one of the biggest misconceptions about pets and disasters is that they are included in government/municipal evacuation plans. They stipulate, that's not always the case. Similarly, when people become displaced and evacuate with their pets, people assume any help they receive will extend to their pets as well. In most cases pets, for fear of disease, disruption, etc. aren't allowed in evacuation shelters. Your pet may be forced to go somewhere else. Take it upon yourself to be responsible for your dog or cat, and never assume. Bring everything you can to help your pet survive and don't evacuate without your pet.

With all this advice now in hand, we should begin to compile a plan or update our old one. Be prepared to help yourself so your local governmental agencies can help and assist those who cannot!

CITY OF THIBODAUX EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

PEGGY AUCOIN

•
FINANCE
DEPARTMENT

•
UTILITY BILLING
SUPERVISOR



Peggy started working for the City of Thibodaux in 2000. As the Utility Billing Supervisor for the City of Thibodaux's Finance Department, she manages the City's utility billing, which includes the following tasks: process utilities bills for all residents, assist residents with questions, review accounts of residents for abnormalities in consumption, alert residents of high usage, utilize Eye On Water to track utility consumption, encourage residents to use Eye On Water to track their consumption, and strives to ensure residents receive the most accurate billing for utility usage.

FUN FACTS:

- SHE'S ABOUT TO CELEBRATE HER 44TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.
- SHE'S BLESSED WITH ONE CHILD AND 2 GRANDCHILDREN.
- SHE'S BEEN A MEMBER OF THE KREWE OF CLEOPATRA FOR 22 YEARS.

INTERESTS:

- SPENDING TIME WITH HER GRANDCHILDREN, FAMILY, & FRIENDS.
- TRAVELING
- CRAFTING

"I have always taken pride in whatever I do. Knowing that I have helped customers and know that you have made a difference in someone's life makes it all worthwhile. Even just the little things like taking a King Cake to other departments or making special cakes for the Finance Department could have also brought joy to someone else. I have proudly served the community in many other ways, such as serving for a few years on the committee for Thibodauxville, participating in the Thibodaux Christmas Parade, and skits for the City of Thibodaux employees."

--- Peggy

WARREN J. HARANG MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM: UPCOMING EVENTS

TAWASI
ANTIQUES & ART
SHOW

**45th Annual
TAWASI
Antiques & Art Show
September 9, 10, 11, 2022**

See you the weekend after Labor Day 2022



Creole Classic Fest
September 17th 2022
Harang Auditorium – Thibodaux, LA


- Cook Off
- Live Music
- Cornhole
- Live Auction
- LSU Watch Party
- Much More!

Supporting Local Charities since 1986 www.creoleclassic.com

HURRY!
FIRST 100 ADULTS
PAY JUST
\$9.99
ONLINE

Carden International
BRINGING THE FUN BACK IN 2022

GENERAL ADMISSION
CHILDREN
\$10
(12 yrs and under)
ADULTS
\$25



CIRCUS
SPECTACULAR
PRODUCED BY CARDEN INT'L CIRCUS
spectacularcircus.com

WARREN J. HARANG JR. MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM
310 North Canal Blvd., Thibodaux, LA 70301

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2022 6:30PM

Come 1 hour before show times for family fun.
Ride the animals and meet the circus stars!

Buy Tickets at spectacularcircus.com or 1 hour before show times at the Box Office

VISA
MasterCard
\$



SAVE THE DATE!

Friday

SEPTEMBER

23

5-8 PM

**ARTS
WALK**

Downtown Thibodaux

*Artist registration &
sponsorship opportunities
now open!*

www.DowntownThibodaux.org/arts-walk/

Parks^{and} Recreation

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Oct 9, 2022

5:00PM- Til

*City of Thibodaux
Parks and Recreation*

Youth Teams:

Ages (9-12) & (13-17)

Registration available for teams:

Doubles/CO-ED

First 8 teams per each age group

Double Elimination

Fee \$20 per team

*To register, please contact the
Recreation Department at 985-446-7235 or
acourteaux@ci.thibodaux.la.us*

TRUNK OR TREAT

City of Thibodaux Recreation Department

October
15th

Autism/Special Needs
Awareness - FREE EVENT!

2:00pm - 4:00 pm

Drive thru Event Only

*151 Peltier Park Drive
Thibodaux La 70301*

*Front Parking Lot next to
the park entrance.*

*All treat bags and
buckets will be
pre-packaged. Please
call to reserve your
treats!*



**To reserve your child's treat bucket or if you are interested in volunteering,
please contact the Recreation Office at (985)446-7235
acourteaux@ci.thibodaux.la.us**



**OCT
21-22
&
28-29**

**Two
Weekend
Event!!**

**CITY OF THIBODAUX PARKS & RECREATION
PRESENTS:**

Haunts and Horror in Da Park
Haunted House

DARE TO ENTER THE PARK AFTER DARK
\$5 ADVANCE TICKETS
\$7 ADMISSION AT THE DOOR

PELTIER PARK RECREATION CENTER
DOORS OPEN 6:30PM - 10:30PM

**151 PELTIER PARK DRIVE
THIBODAUX LA 70301
PH: 985-446-7235**



SAVE *the* DATE

Labor Day

Monday, September 5, 2022

City Offices Closed

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Planning and Zoning Meeting

Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Grandparents Day

Sunday, September 11, 2022

Civil Service Meeting

Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 4:30 PM

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 5:00 PM

First Day of Autumn

Thursday, September 22, 2022

Board of Adjustments Meeting

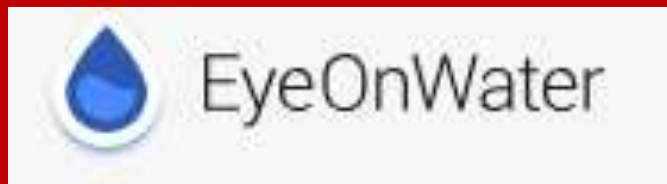
Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 5:30 PM

QUOTE ME



*"Every leaf speaks
bliss to me, fluttering from
the autumn tree."*

Emily Bronte



Do you want the ability to track your water usage for your home? Do you want to be notified of a possible water leak at your residence?

City of Thibodaux residents have the ability to do these things by registering and creating an “Eye On Water” account!

To Create an Account online, click [HERE](#).

To Sign Up using an App on your mobile device, 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.

City of Thibodaux - Electronic Utility Bills

The City of Thibodaux now offers its citizens the option to electronically receive their utility bill. All that is needed is for the customer to submit their e-mail address to the Utility Collection or Utility Billing office. You will receive a PDF from incode_top@ci.thibodaux.la.us of your utility bill every month. No more waiting for the post office. If you would like to sign up, please contact the Utility Collection office at (985) 446-7204 or the Utility Billing office at (985) 446-7230.

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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