



# **Archives Month Celebrations**

## <u>at</u> Louisiana State Archives 2001-2015

Our Mission is to collect, preserve, display and make available those records essential to the reconstruction of Louisiana's colorful history and heritage.

> Coordinated by State Archivist Dr. Florent Hardy, Jr.



Association of College and Research Libraries-Louisiana (ARCL-LA), Association of Records Managers and Administrators, Baton Rouge/Lafayette Chapter, Greater New Orleans Chapter, Longview/Ark-La-Tex Chapter, *Le Comité des Archives de la Louisiane*, Greater New Orleans Archivists, Louisiana Archives and Manuscripts Association (LAMA), Louisiana Historical Association, Louisiana Historical Records Advisory Board (LHRAB), Louisiana Historical Society, Louisiana Library Association (LLA), Louisiana State Archives

> Secretary of State Tom Schedler Louisiana State Archives November 2015



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2001: "Celebrate the Past...Prepare for a Better Future"

Welcome by Secretary of State Fox McKeithen

Preserving Our Parish Heritage, Charles Jagneaux, St. Landry Clerk of Court Louisiana Political History - A Living Legacy, Carolyn Phillips, LA Political Hall of Fame University Archives: More Than Everyday Research, Mrs. Ledell Smith, SUBR Developing Your Own Scrapbook - A Family Heirloom, Sheila Crawford Ships' Passenger Lists: Genealogy, Jane Aprill, LA Genealogical and Historical Society The Civil War and Its Lasting Impact on Louisiana, William Spedale, Historian Women's Role in the Evolution of Louisiana Government, Felicia Harry, Nicholls Center for Women and Government

Louisiana Architecture: A Living Symbol of Our Past and Our Future, Jonathan Fricker, LA Office of Historic Preservation

Genealogical Research: Finding Our Family Treasures, Judy Riffel, *Le Comité* Document Conservation: Preserving the Records of the Past, Doug Harrison, State Archives

2002: "Preserving Louisiana's History Today" focused on the importance of State Archives in the preservation of Louisiana's rich and colorful history. A Celebration Program was held at State Archives where Secretary of State Fox McKeithen and State Archivist Dr. Florent Hardy, Jr. recognized the six living legislators and the families of the thirteen deceased legislators who co-authored Act 337 of 1956 which established State Archives.

Clarence Crask "Taddy" Aycock Richard James Bertrand Joseph Bosetta Charles Cyril Broussard Algie Dee Brown John Marshall Brown Charles Fred Donaldson William Gilbert Faulk Frank Russo Fulco, Sr. Joseph Thomas Jewell

Horace Lynn Jones Claude Kirkpatrick Edgar Hunter Lancaster, Jr. James Rucker Leake Edwin F. LeBreton, Jr. Laurice Dean "Buddy" Napper Joseph Carryl Seaman Jasper Keith Smith George Dean Tessier

Additionally, as a prelude to the Louisiana Bicentennial Celebration, the program included Patricia Lemee of the University of Texas who discussed the French and Spanish explorers in Colonial Louisiana as a prelude to the Louisiana Purchase Treaty.



\*The national Archives Month celebration originally began as Archives Week.

2003: "Celebrate History: Use It and Preserve It"

Records Management Update, Carrie Fager, State Archives Preserving Your Family Records, Doug Harrison, State Archives

Archives Library - Its Many Resources, Bill Stafford, State Archives

2004: "Disaster Planning, Vital Records and Unforeseen Disasters"

Michael Baimbridge, Senior Records Analyst, Southwest Region of the National Archives and Records Administration

2005: National Archivist's Visit post-Hurricane Katrina



November 10, 2005, Louisiana State Archivist Dr. Florent Hardy, Jr. greets the Archivist of the United States, Dr. Allen Weinstein, during his post-Hurricane Katrina visit to Louisiana State Archives

2006: Symposium: "Protecting Louisiana's Historical Records In Emergencies" V. Faye Phillips, Louisiana Historical Records Advisory Board (LHRAB) **Charles Nolan, Archivist, NOLA Archdiocese** Ann Wakefield, NOLA Notarial Archives Dr. Wilbert Meneray, Tulane University Lena R. Torres, St. Bernard Clerk of Court Pati Threatt, McNeese State University Dr. Michael Sartiski, LA Endowment for the Humanities **Tina Mason, SOLINET Elaine Smyth, LSU Libraries** Charles Jagneaux, St. Landry Clerk of Court Julia Marks Young, Mississippi State Archivist **Emilie Leumas, Archivist, Diocese of Baton Rouge** Warren Woods, The HNOC Michael Baimbridge, National Archives Dr. Florence Jumonville, UNO Facilitator 2007: "Celebrate a Patchwork of History and Culture" **Celebration of Louisiana's Official Foods** Mayhaw and cane jelly/biscuits<sup>1</sup> Beignets and café au lait Strategic Planning for our Future, LHRAB Public Hearing Louisiana Historical Records Advisory Board Public Hearing Recognition of our Past: Histories in Stone artist Al Lavergne reception and Louisiana **Historian Edwin Davis Plaza Dedication** 2008: Celebration cancelled as a result of Hurricane Wrap up 2009: Archives Month activities/presentations -- over 500 participants Louisiana State Archives poster shared with all State Archives Opening Reception in partnership with the Associated Women in the Arts Ehibit

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Louisiana's Official Symbols: *Beignets* (HCR 234/1983), and *café au lait*, compliments of Coffee Call. Mayhaw/Cane Jellies (ACT 76/2003).

**Statewide Municipal Clerks tour of Archives** Secretary of State Employee Open House Virtual Tour of the Historic Panels by artist Al Lavergne Louisiana Women in History, Liz Dent, Consultant Third Annual Genealogy Conference, Judy Riffel, Le Comité Interview with Secretary of State Jay Dardenne on the Jim Engster WRKF radio show Rare Books and their Popularity, Danny Plaisance, Cottonwood Books FRIENDS Luncheon and Ghosts of Louisiana's Political Past by Secretary Dardenne Tours of the Archives (Senior Day), Lakewood Quarters and Williamsburg Village Kids Day genealogy workshop **FRIENDS Breakfast** Celebration of Louisiana's official jellies - Mayhaw and Cane Café au lait and beignets/ biscuits, Cane Syrup and coffee Research presentations and "How to" activities in the Research Library, Bill Stafford, State Archives. Extended hours of the Research Library. 2010: FRIENDS Breakfast featuring the official Louisiana jellies -- Mayhaw and Cane, and the official breakfast menu items, beignet and café au lait. FRIENDS of the Louisiana State Archives Luncheon speaker Secretary Jay Dardenne. Louisiana Movie Marathon featuring two popular movies filmed in Louisiana - Steel Magnolias and All the King's Men. 2011: FRIENDS breakfast featuring the official jellies of Louisiana - Cane and Mayhaw, and serving beignets and café au lait. Coordination of the Archives Month Poster which included retrieving the official logos of the following statewide archival, historical and genealogical organizations: Association of College and Research Libraries-Louisiana (ARCL-LA) **Association of Records Managers and Administrators** Baton Rouge/Lafayette Chapter; Greater New Orleans Chapter; Longview/Ark-La-Tex Chapter Le Comité des Archives de la Louisiane **Greater New Orleans Archivists** Louisiana Archives and Manuscripts Association (LAMA) Louisiana Historical Association Louisiana Historical Records Advisory Board (LHRAB) Louisiana Historical Society, Louisiana Library Association (LLA) Louisiana State Archives As in the past, the State Archives provided the Archives Month poster to the Council of State Archivists (CoSA) along with a summary of Archives Month activities. Presentation by award-winning chef and author Marcelle Bienvenu on the history of 2012: Louisiana's unique Creole Cuisine. FRIENDS of the Louisiana State Archives Barnes & Noble Book Fair at City Place location. Special guest appearance by former LSU Football Coach Paul Dietzel. Lecture, Gaines Foster, Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences at LSU, "Remembering the **Civil War: Complexities and Ambiguities.**" FRIENDS breakfast: Louisiana's official foods; beignets and café au lait. Presentation on the basics of Archival Preservation and Genealogy Research presented by Archives Staff.

Executive Director of the Foundation for Historical Louisiana Fairleigh Jackson is flanked by FRIENDS of the Louisiana State Archives Board President Tom Temple, members Mary Kay Bertaut and Marvin Borgmeyer and State Archivist Dr. Florent Hardy, Jr. following her October 22, 2015, lecture.

2013: Lectures: **Angola Rodeo Exhibit Reception** The History of the Angola Rodeo, Warden Burl Cain The Basques in Louisiana, Michel Antoine Nicholas, LABASCO President **FRIENDS Breakfast (Archives Library) Barnes & Noble Book Fair** The Great River Road in Louisiana, Billy Spedale, Historian's video History of the Historic Panels at Archives, Oral History video with artist Al Lavergne Social Media for the Novice, Brandee Patrick, SOS Press Office 2014: Lectures: The Bataan Death March, Beth Dawson, Granddaughter of March Survivor The Battle of New Orleans, Jeffery Guice, Author The Basques of Louisiana, Michel Antoine Nicholas, LABASCO President The Surrey Calendar, Howard Margot, HNOC The Archives of German New Orleans, Daniel Hammer, HNOC The National WW II Museum, Kenneth Hoffman, WWII Museum Education Director FRIENDS Breakfast (Archives Library) Poverty Point, Dr. George Riser, Advocates for Poverty Point Barefoot, Bloodied and Bruised; The Story of Louisiana Six-Man Football, **Author Coach Barrett Murphy** Julien Poydras, Pointe Coupee Statesman, Planter and Philanthropist, Count Dominique de Savelli, La Gascherie outside of Nantes, Central West France



2015 Lectures:

<u>The History of the Charity Hospitals of Louisiana</u>, co-authors Dr. Jonathan Roberts and Dr. Charles Durant

<u>The Most Dangerous Animal of All; The Zodiac Killer</u>, Gary Stewart, Author, New York Times Best Seller

Genealogy Resources at State Archives, Bill Stafford, State Archives Research Administrator

FRIENDS Breakfast (Archives Library)

The Louisiana Political Museum and Hall of Fame, Carolyn Phillips, Executive Director The Foundation for Historical Louisiana, Fairleigh Jackson, Executive Director The Historic New Orleans Collection

Unlocked: Perspective and the New Orleans Prison Evacuation Crisis Mark Cave, Senior Curator/Oral Historian

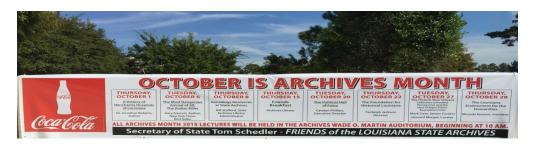
Spanish Louisiana Land Records Database, Howard Margot, Curator The Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, Miranda Restovic, President



### Individual Presenters Who Have Contributed to Make Louisiana Archives Month a Success

**Aprill**, Jane **Baimbridge**, Michael **Bienvenu**. Marcelle Cain, Burl Cave, Mark **Crawford**, Sheila **Dardenne**. Jav **Dawson**, Beth Dent, Liz **Dietzel, Coach Paul Durant, Dr. Charles** Fager, Carrie Foster, Dr. Gaines **Guice**, Jeffery Hammer. Daniel Hardy, Dr. Florent Harrison, Doug Harry, Felicia Hoffman, Kenneth Jackson, Fairleigh Jagneaux, Charles Jumonville, Dr. Florence Lavergne, Al Lemee, Patricia Leumas, Emilie Margot, Howard

Mason, Tina **McKeithen**. Fox Meneray, Dr. Wilbert **Murphy, Coach Barrett** Nicholas, Michel Antoine **Nolan**, Charles **Patrick. Brandee** Phillips, Carolyn Phillips, V. Faye **Plaisance**, **Danny Restovic**, Miranda **Riffel**, Judy **Riser, Dr. George Roberts**, Dr. Jonathan Sartiski, Dr. Michael Savelli, Count Dominique de Smith, Mrs. Ledell Smyth, Elaine Spedale, Billy Stafford, Bill **Stewart**, Gary **Threatt**, Pati Torres, Lena R. Wakefield, Ann Woods, Warren Young, Julia Marks



### **FRIENDS of the Louisiana State Archives**

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### **2015 Archives Month Lectures**



October 1, 2015: Co-authors of the book <u>THE HISTORY of the CHARITY HOSPITALS in LOUISIANA</u> homas J. Durant, Jr., Ph.D. and Jonathan Roberts, MD, were the first guest speakers in the seven Lecture Series in celebration of Archives Month at Louisiana State Archives. On the left is Tom Temple, President of the FRIENDS of the Louisiana State Archives and to their right are FRIENDS Board Member Mary Kay Bertaut and State Archivist Florent Hardy, Jr., Ph.D.



October 6, 2015: <u>The Most Dangerous Animal of All: The Zodiac Killer</u>. Pictured above are sisters Christy Stewart Simmons and Cindy Stewart McCormick; Archives Month Lecturer and *New York Times* Bestselling author Gary Loyd Stewart; mother, Leona Ortis Stewart and State Archivist Dr. Florent Hardy, Jr.



October 8, 2015: Archives Month Lecturer Bill Stafford, State Archives Research Library Administrator is joined by FRIENDS of the Louisiana State Archives members Mary Kay Bertaut and Harriet Babin Miller. Mr. Stafford spoke on the Genealogy Resources at State Archives



October 20, 2015: Carolyn Phillips, Executive Director of the Louisiana Political Museum and Hall of Fame with Tom Temple, President of the FRIENDS of the Louisiana State Archives, FRIENDS Board Members Mary Kay Bertaut and Harriet Babin Miller and State Archivist Dr. Florent Hardy, Jr.



October 22, 2015: Archives Month Lecturer Fairleigh Jackson, Executive Director of The Foundation for Historical Louisiana with Tom Temple, President of the FRIENDS of the Louisiana State Archives, FRIENDS Board Members Mary Kay Bertaut and Marvin Borgmeyer and State Archivist Dr. Florent Hardy, Jr.





October 27, 2015. The Historic New Orleans Collection (HNOC) staff make presentations on the SPANISH LOUISIANA LAND RECORDS DATABASE and PERSPECTIVE and the NEW ORLEANS EVACUATION CRISIS during the aftermath of Katrina. Pictured above are Tom Temple, President of the FRIENDS of the Louisiana State Archives Board; FRIENDS Board Member Betty Schwartzberg; Howard Margot, LANDS RECORDS speaker; Mark Cave, PRISON EVACUATION speaker; FRIENDS Board Member; and, State Archivist Dr. Florent Hardy, Jr.



October 29, 2015: Miranda Restovic, Executive Director of The Louisiana Endowment of the Humanities with Tom Temple, President of the FRIENDS of the Louisiana State Archives Board; FRIENDS Board Members Mary Kay Bertaut and Carol Haase, and State Archivist Dr. Florent Hardy, Jr.



Thanks to all who make Louisiana Archives Month so SPECIAL!

#### Thanks for the memories! DN

It was a pleasure! Thank you for allowing me to be part of Archives Month! GLS

WONDERFUL !!!!! Keep up the great work!!!! MB

you have such interesting things happening. wish i were Retired ad could enjoy. KL

Thank you Florent! As always, we love hearing from you! PSt.M

Thank you! BP

This years Archives Month was the best yet in my opinion! The presenters were all excellent. I

learned a lot. MKB

Wow! That is quite impressive! KG