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John Valentino's colorful motorized fish star in the STAA's exhibit "After the Wetlands."

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of everyday life." Travel does that, too. We see new places with fresh eyes, getting a glimpse of other realities rather than what our brains have come to expect. Both art and travel give us new perspectives, insights and energy. Visitors to the Northshore can merge the two, experiencing the region's natural beauty and

Take it from Pablo Picasso: "Art

washes away from the soul the dust

events The St. Tammany Art Association is a good place to start. A dynamic mirror reflecting a vibrant

unique culture firsthand, and vi-

cariously through the eyes of its

artists in numerous venues and



Adam Sambola is one of 30-plus artists whose work shows at Slidell's Marketplace gallery.

art scene, the STAA is a light-filled, welcoming space in the heart of historic downtown Covington. The two-story 19th-century building, at 320 N. Columbia St., houses two galleries, one for members' shows and one for visiting exhibitions. Even the outside space, between the STAA building and the neighboring landmark H.J. Smith & Sons General Store, is put to use as Art Alley, home to the juried outdoor Covington Art Market held six times a year. (Next Market is March 6.)

An immersive art experience titled "After the Wetlands" begins the new year for STAA. Author, artist, curator and educator John Valentino has created a multidimensional exhibition, showing through Jan. 27, whose focal point is a school of eight colorful, motorized fish, each floating within its own boxed frame. The instal-

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HERE COME THE PARADES!



Covington celebrates Mardi Gras day with parades and a street party.



There are a few misunderstandings surrounding Mardi Gras in Louisiana.

For instance, Mardi Gras is only one day. It means Fat Tuesday in French and falls every year on the Tuesday before the start of Lent. So what is the rest of the parade season, which lasts about three weeks, called? Carnival. As in, "It's Carnival time! Throw me some beads!"

Another misunderstanding: Mardi Gras is not about flashing, streaking or drinking alcoholic beverages to the point of oblivion. Honest. That happens occasionally, in New Orleans'

French Quarter. But most parades, especially on the Northshore, are G-rated, family oriented and more about cheering on high school marching bands and bragging rights about all the beads you caught.

Carnival season kicks off on Jan. 6 (the Christian holiday of Epiphany, also known as Twelfth Night or Three Kings Day) and continues until Fat Tuesday, which in 2018 falls on Feb. 13. The marching krewe known as the St. John Fools of Misrule, complete with **CONTINUED ON PAGE 3**



COME JOIN THE PARTY

Beautiful St. Tammany Parish is your kind of vacation destination. We've got exciting attractions, beautiful wilderness areas easily explored, fabulous shopping. Whether you opt for urban pleasures — art galleries, live music and haute cuisine — or restorative days spent in the shade of an ancient oak, your Northshore experience will be a positive one.

Here, in St. Tammany Parish, we celebrate everything. Life's a party. Come join us. And bring your appetite — for great Louisiana cooking, and for living.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely, Donna O' Daniels President/CEO St. Tammany Parish Tourist & Convention Commission

EXPLORE THE NORTHSHORE

Is published quarterly by the St. Tammany Parish Tourist and Convention Commission. Submit information regarding attractions, lodging, restaurants and other comments or questions to Renee Kientz, VP Communications, at Renee@ LouisianaNorthshore.com. Submit information regarding events to Online Manager Roberta Carrow-Jackson at Roberta@LouisianaNorth shore.com. You can also submit items for the online calendar of events directly at our website, www. LouisianaNorthshore.com, by clicking on the home page calendar and following the prompts.

Please visit our website www.LouisianaNorthshore.com or call 1.800.634.9443 for more information on St. Tammany Parish







MANDEVILLE The giant oaks along Mandeville's lakefront are iconic for this old and lovely town on the north shore of Lake Pontchartrain. Progressive yet protective of its heritage and natural beauty, Mandeville offers visitors excellent shopping, fine dining and a lively good time, as well as a spot to perch on the seawall and watch pelicans glide by. Don't miss the Mandeville Community Market, held each Saturday.



COVINGTON The parish (county) seat of St. Tammany, Covington is a charming town with great restaurants and shopping. Stroll the streets of its historic downtown district — Covington was founded in 1813 — for urban pleasures in a visitor-friendly setting. Find galleries, boutiques and antiques shops, fine and fun dining, nightlife, even free parking. Catch the farmers market, and don't miss the Three Rivers Arts Festival, held every fall.



SLIDELL On the eastern edge of St. Tammany Parish, Slidell offers visitors a vibrant arts scene, family-friendly attractions, natural beauty and proximity to New Orleans (30 minutes away). Olde Towne Slidell is a 10-square-block downtown district of historic buildings, antiques and specialty shops, and museums. Enjoy a free concert in Heritage Park, tour beautiful Honey Island Swamp, savor Louisiana flavors at great spots like Palmettos.



ABITA SPRINGS A popular retreat for 19th-century New Orleanians,

this historic little town is still a great place to breathe deep and relax. Quirky, artsy and full of positive energy, Abita is home to the eclectic Abita Mystery House at the UCM Museum, the Abita Opry, and Abita Brewing Company, makers of TurboDog and other popular beers. It's also a great place to hop on the Tammany Trace bike trail, which cuts right through the heart of town.



MADISONVILLE

Hugging the banks of the lovely Tchefuncte River, Madisonville is rich in maritime history. Explore that history at the Lake Pontchartrain Basin

Maritime Museum and learn about efforts to preserve the Tchefuncte River Lighthouse, built in 1837. Fish or crab off the public pier on the lakefront – or just enjoy great seafood and a great view at restaurants fronting the scenic Tchefuncte River.



LACOMBE Adjacent to Big Branch Marsh Wildlife Reserve, Lacombe is a great spot to experience the Northshore's natural beauty. Rent bikes and kayaks, buy bait and gear, at Bayou Adventure. Throw out a crab net along Lake Road. Learn about Creole history during the beautiful Les Lumieres grave-lighting ceremony on All Saints Day. Restaurants? La Provence and Sal and Judy's are destinations in their own right.



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St. Tammany events, promotions and chances to win prizes.







Northshore art and soul

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lation also includes a work Valentino created specifically for the STAA exhibition. Titled "See Level," it is a 12-foot animated work emulating ocean waves via six mechanical layers propelled by motors, belts and servos. Recreating nature has been a recurring theme in the artist's work for almost a decade.

Other exhibitions planned at STAA include "Intersections: Meredith Pardue and Sarah Wiseman," from Feb. 10-March 31 and "Members Gallery: New Works" Feb. 10-April 7.

There are also a number of commercial galleries nearby making downtown Covington a walkable arts district. S A L A D I N O Gallery, at 409 E. Boston, offers fine contemporary paintings and sculptures by some of the South's best artists, including Robert Lobdell, Rebecca Rebouche and Scott Ewen, several of whose paintings wow guests at the elegant Southern Hotel across the street from the gallery. The Tripolo Gallery, 323 N. Columbia St., also represents numerous contemporary fine artists.

Covington also is home to the annual Three Rivers Arts Festival, a popular juried outdoor art fest that takes over several blocks of Columbia Street. More than 200 artists sell their works during the two-day event held each fall.

Over in Slidell, on the eastern edge of St. Tammany Parish, art is well represented in another 19th-century building turned gallery space. The Marketplace at 1808 Front St, on the edge of Olde Towne, shows the work and wares of more than 30 artists and artisans. Pottery, paintings, jewelry and more are displayed throughout the ground floor of the historic structure (the St. Tammany East Chamber of Commerce occupies the second floor). Among the popular artists there are Adam Sambola, whose paintings of Louisiana themes has made him a regional favorite, and Connie Born, creator of unique and mystical Mischief Dolls. Born can often be found in her studio where, using bits of exotic leathers, laces and feathers, she creates the collectible dolls that have found their way into many collections.

The City of Slidell Cultural Center, at 2055 Second St., inside Slidell's City Hall, exhibits major shows and hosts civic events. Coming up is "Salad Days," a juried exhibition of student work Jan. 19-Feb. 23 and "The Works of Randy Carmichael March 2-29.



Lana Gramlich's 'Live Oaks at Sunset' evoke a primeval Louisiana landscape.

Mandeville's art scene includes numerous galleries, many in the town's historic neighborhood, and regular exhibitions of works by local artists in the lobby of City Hall at 3101 E. Causeway Approach.

Art moves outside as the weather warms with the little town of Abita Springs' annual En Plein Air exihibition. This year's show goes up at the Abita Springs Trailhead Museum April 6-8 but you may see the participating artists around the area for weeks before that as they take their easels and their talent outdoors to capture the landscape on canvas. Artists - like Mary Monk, Carol Hallock, Peg Usner and John Preble -- lend their unique perspectives to the landscapes they create, finding wonder in the everyday and in the beauty that surrounds us on the Northshore.

A number of fine photographers call the Northshore home, including Lana Gramlich, whose moody misty images of moss-draped trees in the dawn's light evoke primeval landscapes, and George Long, chronicler of life in all its glory. News man John Snell has quite a following for his marsh and bird life images.

Though some question whether John Preble's Abita Mystery House in Abita Springs is Art with a capital 'A,' there are many aficionados who would argue its case. Preble has created a bizarro world of eclectic creatures, Southern archetypes and mythologies with his



The mythical 'Dogigator' is among the eclectic creatures at Abita Mystery House.

meandering rooms of novelty items, dioramas with moving parts (like 'Tornado on Dogpound Road'), paint-by-number landscapes and modern age flotsam. Like the best outsider art, there is humor and reflection all mangled into one, enlightening as you want it to be. In Picasso-esque fashion, Preble washes away the dust of everyday life by re-arranging its parts and reassembling according to whim.

CARNIVAL SEASON MEANS BEADS. FUN

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brass band, flambeaux (torchbearers), and costumed cavorters, get Northshore Carnival off to a raucous start Jan. 6 as they parade through the streets of downtown Covington.

Carnival momentum builds the weekend of Jan. 27-28 when five parades roll in Slidell and Pearl River, including the Krewe of Bilge boat parade and the fairly new Krewe of Poseidon with 28 floats and the theme "Fright Night."

The fun continues Feb. 3-4 with even more parades. The always-fun and eclectic Krewe of Push Mow rolls through the streets of little Abita Springs (theme: "Terrible New TV Channels"). Madisonville's popular boats-only floating parade cruises on the scenic Tchefuncte River while, in Covington, the veteran Krewe of Olympia rolls through Covington and the krewes of Titans and Dionysus draw the crowds in Slidell.

On Feb. 9, two large krewes - Selene in Slidell and Orpheus in Mandeville - roll that evening, each with signature items (Selene tosses decorated purses!) and special throws like lighted wands and medallions.

On Mardi Gras Day, Feb. 13, parades bring the excitement to several Northshore communities, including Lacombe (Krewe of Chahta) and Folsom, where the Krewe of Folsom includes everything from trucks and tractors. ATVs. horses and wagons, and vintage cars. Covington's celebration begins with the Krewe of Covington Lions Club float parade and the Mystic Krewe of Covington following behind. The fun doesn't end with the last float, though: Crowds are encouraged afterward to head over to the Covington Trailhead a few blocks away for a free street party with food booths, live music and more.

You don't have to costume on Mardi Gras Day, but seeing the crazy get-ups people have pulled together can be almost as much fun as catching a bag full of beads and

Though the Carnival season officially ends with Fat Tuesday, the Northshore can't quite let it go until the Mystic Krewe of Mardi Paws takes to the Mandeville lakefront. Costumed pooches parade with their humans in one of the most popular processions in St. Tammany Parish. Always fun and colorful, the parade also raises funds for area animal agencies supported by the Ian Somerhalder Foundation. The handsome actor Somerhalder, a Northshore native, has joined the parade in past years and his possible appearance accounts for some of the excitement among the gathered crowds.

For a complete schedule of Northshore Carnival parades, see Page 10.

GETTING AROUND

For a complete list of Northshore galleries, see Page 5.

SHUTTLES

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All Southern Livery Services, LLC

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► Transportation to and from New Orleans airport, Baton Rouge and nearby destinations. Shuttle vans, executive SUVs, stretch limos and car service.

Northshore Airport Express Shuttle (985) 386-3861

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Northshore Airport Transportation (985) 445-4544 www.northshoreairport

transportation.com

▶ Luxury sedan, seats 4. Trips to New Orleans Airport, Port of New Orleans, Greater New Orleans

Pelican Bus Commuter & Charter Service

(504) 495-0404 3500 Upperline St., New Orleans 70125

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Road Runners Charter

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Royal Coach Limousine

(877) 875-0723 / (985) 875-0723 www.myroyalcoach.com

► Vans, sedans, mini-buses and limousines traveling throughout the Northshore and to New Orleans, Baton Rouge and Gulfport.

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▶ Minivans for 6-7 persons, Open 24 hours, long trips OK. Senior and military discounts and 20% discount for trips to and from Hollycrest Plaza.

Mandeville Cab Company, LLC (985) 705-4222 www.mandevillecab.com

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Parish Cab

(985) 641-9479 Slidell (985) 892-2010 Covington www.parishcabinc.com

▶ Open 24 hours in Slidell, varies elsewhere. Vans and sedans travel throughout St. Tammany Parish. Airport trips by reservation. Online reservation available.

Uber New Orleans/St. Tammany

www.uber.com

► UberX/UberPop (sedans), UberXL (SUV, minivan) and UberAssist (wheelchair, scooter-accessible) available. Coverage across St. Tammany and New Orleans.

RENTAL CAR AGENCY

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TRACTIONS

ABITA SPRINGS

Abita Brewery 166 Barbee Rd. (800) 737-2311 | (985) 893-3143 www.abita.com

► Tour one of America's leading craft breweries. Family-friendly, guided tours (under 21 admitted free) are \$5 and include four 4-ounce tastings. Guided tours given 2-3pm Wed & Thu, 1-3pm Fri, 10:30am-3pm Sat and 2-3pm Sun. Groups of 20 or more can reserve online. Closed-toe shoes are required to tour the brew house. Selfguided tours do not include beer samples, but you can purchase a pint in the Tap Room after exploring the brewery. Self-guided tours are 10am-1pm Sun, 10am-4pm Mon & Tue, and 10am-1pm Wed & Thu and 10am-12pm Fri. Bus tours from New Orleans available Fri-Sun, see website.

Abita Mystery House @ the UCM Museum

22275 Hwy. 36 (985) 892-2624

www.abitamysteryhouse.com

► A vintage gas station serves as the entrance and gift shop for this roadside attraction-style labyrinth of buildings connected by walkways. The collection includes interactive vignettes of Southern life as well as more than 50,000 found and recycled objects presented creatively and with humor by artist/impresario John Preble. Featured on "American Pickers." An eye-opening adventure for all ages.

Abita Springs Trailhead & Museum

22049 Main St. (985) 871-5327

www.trailheadmuseum.org

▶ The center of Abita Springs is its trailhead at Abita Springs Park, a stop on the Tammany Trace. The plaza features the renovated 1884 Pavilion and the historic bachelor quarters of the 19th-century Longbranch Hotel, now a museum that hosts historic exhibits and wellinformed docents offer information about the town's history as a resort town, renowned for its artesian springs with their well-promoted "healing" qualities. An adjacent performance stage hosts festivals and special events. With a playground and splash pad nearby, the kids will have plenty to do.

Nature Conservancy's Abita Creek Flatwoods Preserve

From Interstate 12, take Exit 65 onto Highway 59 north to Abita Springs. Turn on Highway 435 to the Abita Preserve parking lot on the north side of the road. (985) 809-1414 www.nature.org/louisiana

► The Pitcher Plant Trail at the Abita Creek Flatwoods Preserve features a boardwalk crossing unusual savanna habitat, which hosts carnivorous pitcher plants, a bayhead

swamp and longleaf pine forest.

BUSH

I Δ Serendinity Vineyards 82178 Old Military Rd.

(504) 481-0716 www.laserendipityvineyards.com

► A winery growing grapes and producing wine on site, including the crisp, slightly sweet and citrusy Blanc Du Bois. The Tasting Room is open 11am-6pm most weekends. (Call ahead.)

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Pontchartrain Vineyards & **Winery** 81250 Hwy. 1082

(985) 892-9742 www.pontchartrainvineyards.com

► Located just northeast of Covington, Pontchartrain Vineyards produces fine table wines, with tastings in an old world tasting room. Check website or call for times. The vineyard also hosts the "Jazz'n the Vines" outdoor concert series during spring and fall months. (See Events, pages 10-11.)

Splendor Farms 27329 Mill Creek Rd. (985) 630-8960 www.splendorfarms.com

▶ Hit the trail for an afternoon of horseback riding, with access to 1,000 acres of riding trails (riding lessons available), or enjoy the petting zoo, pool, lawn games, and fully equipped picnic areas.

COVINGTON

Blue Swamp Creek Nature Trail Covington Recreation Complex 4001 De Porres Rd. (985) 867-3652

www.keepcovingtonbeautiful.org ► Explore pine savanna and wetlands on a trail along Blue Swamp and Manton creeks and see native trees, shrubs and grasses. Open 7 days, 8am-6pm. Free. Trail map available.

Covington Trailhead Museum and Visitors Center

419 N. New Hampshire St. (985) 892-1873 www.covla.com

► The trailhead features a campanile, bandstand and amphitheater, and a visitor center offering a short film about the history of Covington and rotating exhibits by local artists. Resting station for visitors walking or cycling the Tammany Trace. The trailhead also is site of the Wednesday Covington Farmer's Market (Saturday's market held nearby on grounds of Covington Police Dept.).

HJ Smith's Son General Store & Museum

308 N. Columbia St. (985) 892-0460

► Family owned and operated since 1876, the store houses a free museum with hundreds of items from the past, including a 20-footlong cypress dugout boat, cast iron casket, old farming tools, a 1920s gas pump, and much more.

Insta-Gator Ranch & Hatchery 23440 Lowe Davis Rd.

(888) 448-1560 | (985) 892-3669 www.insta-gatorranch.com ▶ Insta-Gator is home to more than

2,000 alligators. Fun, educational program allows you to view gators of various ages and sizes swimming in clear water. You can touch 'em, hold 'em, feed 'em and, in August, even hatch 'em. Call for times.

Lake Ramsay Nature Conservancy

From I-12, take Exit 63 north for 5 miles. Turn west on Highway 190 at the intersection with Highway 25. Go west for 2 miles to Penn Mill Road and turn north. Go 2 miles to the Horse Branch Creek Trailhead parking lot. (985) 809-1414 www.nature.org/louisiana

► The Horse Branch Trail at the Lake Ramsay site features one of the last remaining pine savanna habitats in Louisiana's Florida Parishes. This savanna is known for its diversity, including several carnivorous plants and a variety of orchids.

FOLSOM

Global Wildlife Center 26389 Hwy. 40

(985) 796-3585 www.globalwildlife.com

► Feel the wooly fur of a bison, get eye to eye with a giraffe or one of more than 4,000 exotic or endangered animals from around the world. Take an exciting 90-minute



Giraffes - and other exotic critters - say hey up close at the Global Wildlife Center in Folsom.

guided safari wagon tour. Feed and touch the animals in a totally freeroaming, 900-acre wildlife preserve. Personalized tours in Pinzgauer allterrain vehicles available, too.

LACOMBE

Big Branch Marsh National Wildlife Refuge

61389 Hwy. 434 (985) 882-2000

www.fws.gov/bigbranchmarsh

► Federal wildlife refuge on 15,000 acres of pine flatwoods and coastal marsh. This diverse habitat is a wonderful example of the natural coastline of Lake Pontchartrain. Home to hundreds of bird species, including the rare red-cockaded woodpecker, bald eagles and wading birds. Start at the visitor center for brochures and maps.

MADISONVILLE

Lake Pontchartrain Basin **Maritime Museum**

133 Mabel Drive (985) 845-9200 www.lpbmm.org

► Explore the area's rich maritime history up-close via a film, detailed exhibits, boat models, boat-building classes and the very popular Wooden Boat Festival in October (see Events pages 10-11 for details). Located on the banks of the Tchefuncte River.

Madisonville Museum

201 Cedar St. (985) 845-2100

www.townofmadisonville.org

► Inside Madisonville's historic courthouse, erected in 1911, the museum is on the National Registry of Historic Places. See displays about the town's history alongside Civil War artifacts and Native American culture.

Otis House Museum

119 Fairview Drive (985) 792-4652

► Guided tours of a late 19th-century Queen Anne-style home of a lumber baron, including photographs and memorabilia from the era. On the grounds of Fairview-Riverside State Park.

MANDEVILLE

Jean Baptiste Lang House & Gift Shop

605 Carroll St. (504) 723-7714 www.oldmandevillehistoricassocia-

► The Anglo-Creole style home built in the mid-1800s on Mandeville's lakefront by tobacco merchant Jean Baptiste Lang survived the Civil War before Hurricane Katrina nearly destroyed it in 2005. Preservationists moved the home inland

and restored it to display original architectural elements. Open 9a-4pm Wed-Fri and 9-12 Saturday or by appointment. Gift shop and resource library on site.

Mandeville Trailhead Cultural Interpretive Center 675 Lafitte St.

(985) 624-3147

www.cityofmandeville.com

► Adjacent to the Tammany Trace in Old Mandeville, the Trailhead features an interactive fountain, lookout tower, and amphitheater for free concert series and community events. The Mandeville Community Market is held 9am-1pm every Sat.

Northlake Nature Center 23135 Hwy. 190 E.

(985) 626-1238

www.northlakenature.org

► A nature preserve with boardwalk trail and nature activities, located on 400 acres of old pine and hardwoods forest along Bayou Castine. Hosts the annual Great Louisiana Birdfest each spring.

Tammany Trace

21490 Koop Drive (800) 43-TRACE | (985) 867-9490 www.tammanytrace.org

► This 31-mile rails-to-trails conversion meanders through lovely wooded areas and links five St. Tammany towns. Run, walk, cycle, blade or even bring your horse. The Tammany Trace is the best way to see the Northshore inside and out. (Bike rentals available in Covington, Lacombe and Mandeville.)

PEARL RIVER

New Orleans Kayak Swamp Tours

65583 Pump Slough Rd. (504) 571-9975 www.neworleanskayakswamptours.com

▶ Beginner-friendly, guided kayak tours year-round. Beginner single/ tandem and sit-on-top kayaks take 2- to 3-hour tours daily to Pearl River & Honey Island Swamp and on Mandeville's Cane Bayou. Minimum two persons unless private tour.

Pearl River & Honey Island Museum and Research Center 39437 Hwy. 41 Spur (985) 863-5040

► Explore the history of Pearl River in its heyday as a logging and railroad hamlet. Located across from Pearl River Town Hall, the museum features an early kitchen and "Swamp Room" with interpretive exhibits. Open 10am-3pm Sat. Free.

Pearl River Wildlife Management Area

Crawford Landing Rd, Slidell (985) 646-6440, (985) 543-4777 www.wlf.louisiana.gov/wma/2789

▶ Discover vast bottomland forest, mixed hardwood and bald cypress

in this state refuge. Home to a wide variety of wildlife and birds, including bald eagles in fall and winter. Camping available at Crawford Landing. Rifle range for public use at specified times. Located 6.3 miles east of Slidell and one mile east of the town of Pearl River. Visit website for ramp, access and Wild Louisiana Stamp (required) info.

SLIDELL

Cajun Encounters Honey Island Swamp Tours

55345 Hwy. 90 (866) 928-6877 | (985) 641-5879 www.cajunencounters.com

► The Honey Island Swamp was Louisiana's first Nature Conservancy area. Venture deep into the untouched bayous and sloughs with a native tour guide to see nesting grounds for many wild animals such as alligators, raccoons, wild boar.

Dr. Wagner's Honey Island Swamp Tours

41491 Crawford Landing Rd. (985) 641-1769 www.honeyislandswamp.com

► Two-hour narrated boat tour of one of America's most pristine cypress river swamps. Learn the history, folklore and ecology of the swamp and its inhabitants.

GOSH Museum

2065 Second St. (985) 646-6118

► Guardians of Slidell History volunteers present the history of Slidell.

Middle of Nowhere Eco Tours

(985) 710-3603 www.facebook.com/Middleof-Nowhere-Eco-Tours-131956076872099

► Capt. Robby Charbonnet leads eco tours of Honey Island Swamp and surrounding waters. Guided fishing trips and sightseeing tours of the many flora and fauna, including dolphins and alligators. Picks up at Rigolets Marina and other launch locations.

Moviesets: A Reel Venue

400 Garrett Rd. (985) 373-1949

www.moviesetsvenue.com

▶ Prop house and film production space gives tours by appointment, and is available for school field trips and special events. See props, set dressings from 12 Years a Slave, American Horror Story, Planet of the Apes, NCIS New Orleans, Scream Queens, and other produc-

Passionate Platter Cooking School & Herb Gardens

2104 First St. (985) 781-HERB (4372) www.passionateplatter.com

▶ Private herb garden tours, cooking classes for kids and adults. Food, coffee, tea, garden and aromatherapy gift items. Groups welcome, reservations required.

Pearl River Eco-Iours 55050 Hwy. 90

(866) 59-SWAMP | (985) 649-4200 www.pearlriverecotours.com

► Experience the Honey Island Swamp, one of the least altered river swamps in the country, with a professional native ecological tour guide. Also offering evening tours of the swamp.

Slidell Museum and Slidell Mardi Gras Museum

2020 First St. (985) 646-4380 www.myslidell.com

► Formerly the old town's jail, the museum displays two floors of photos and memorabilia of Slidell's history and the South's role in the Civil War. Reproductions of military uniforms, weapons and audio displays. Also on site is the Mardi Gras Museum, with more than 800 pieces of Carnival memorabilia. Open 10am-4pm Wed-Fri, 10am-4pm Sat and by special appointment.



'Original art in parish cultural districts'

The State of Louisiana has officially designated six areas in St. Tammany Parish as "Cultural

Districts": Midtown Cultural **District of Abita Springs, Covington Cultural District, Fontainebleau**

Cultural Arts District in Lacombe, Madisonville Cultural District, Old Mandeville Cultural District, and Olde Towne Cultural District in Slidell. Each designated area

markets original, locally produced artwork to the public. Many festivals and events take place in these Cultural Districts.



GALLERIES

COVINGTON

Armbruster Artworks Gallery & School

502 N. Columbia St. (985) 630-6295 www.armbrusterartworks.com

▶ Paintings by Gretchen Armbruster, guest teacher artists and students. By appointment.

Columbia Coworking 215 N. Columbia St.

(504) 621-8771 www.columbiacoworking.com

► Multi-use space features fine art gallery with works by Frankie DeMelo Fine Art, Chase Dwight, Leslie Vinson, Kristin LeRibeus, Kris Muntan, Wayne Bernhard, Sherry Hitzman and Barbara Brocato. By appointment.

Cypress Custom Framing and Gifts

100 N. Tyler St. (985) 327-7927

► Handmade cypress frames and frame shop with original works by local artists.

Helping Hands Gallery 460 N. Corniche du Lac

(985) 231-5300 www.helpinghandsgallery.com

► Featuring art donated by local artists with proceeds going to area charities.

Marianne Angeli Rodriguez Studio Gallery

430 E Gibson St.

www.marianneangelirodriguez.com ► Features the painter and illustrator's bright, colorful canvases as well as prints on paper. Doubling as the artist's studio and shop, the gallery is open Wed-Fri and by appointment.

Rutland Street Gallery 828 Rutland St.

(985) 951-0728

www.rutlandstreetgallery.com

► Featuring original sculpture, paintings, pottery, jewelry and photography by local artists, plus, home furnishings, clothing and gift items.

SALADINO Gallery 409 E. Boston St.

(504) 236-8827 www.saladinogallery.com

Contemporary paintings and sculptures by Scott Ewen, Rebecca Rebouché, Oskar Zieta, Kristie



Meredith Parde's 'Reef IX' will be part of the STAA's 'Intersections'

Gagliano, Hannah Lane, Alexei Kazantsev. Babette Beaullieu. Juli Juneau, Jonathan Pellitteri, Steve Martin, Blake O'Brien, Robert Lobdell, Inga Clough Falterman, Jim Graham, Tessa Chauvin, Al Ormsby, Zach Slough, Joel Blazek, Bernard Mattox and Cathy Dumesnil.

Savoye Originals Gallery 405 N. Columbia St. (504) 512-3465

► Fine art and original furniture handmade from reclaimed and salvaged materials by Steve Savoye.

St. Tammany Art Association 320 N. Columbia St.

(985) 892-8650 www.sttammanyartassociation.org Hours: 10am-4pm Tue-Fri, 11am-4pm Sat

► Historic building houses rotating exhibits by regional and national artists, juried competitions, a gallery of works by member artists, and studio art classes and lectures for adults and kids. Exhibits: After the Wetlands: John Valentino, Dec. 9-Jan. 27, Intersections: Meredith Pardue and Sarah Wiseman, Feb. 10-March 31, Members' Gallery: New Works, Feb. 10-April 7.

Tripolo Gallery

323 N. Columbia St. (985) 789-4073 | (985) 789-8255 www.tripologallery.com

► Contemporary fine art by regional and national artists. Open Tue & Thu 10am-4pm and by appointment for Second Saturday art walks and festivals. Featuring works by Paula Blackwell, Donna Landry Duffy, Amber Demaré, Robert LaBrache, Robert Cook, Ken Tate and Carolyn Buslener.

MANDEVILLE

AbbyPhoto Studio 2337 Monroe St.

(985) 951-8868 ► Photography by Abby Sands.

City of Mandeville: Artists of the Month

3101 E. Causeway Approach (985) 626-3144 www.cityofmandeville.com

► Inside the lobby of Mandeville City Hall. Includes works by local artists. Open weekdays during business hours.

The Cypress House

1800 W Causeway Approach (985) 629-4656

www.thecypresshouse.com

► Fine art gallery carrying pottery, photography, jewelry, paintings, sculpture and home furnishings.

Impastato Gallery 1901 Hwy. 190, Ste. 28 (985) 778-5338

www.impastatogallery.com

▶ Paintings by four local artists featuring acrylics, oils and more. as well as painting and drawing lessons.

Just Picture It Gallery & Frame

2180 N. Causeway Blvd., Ste. 7 (985) 624-6620 www.jpiframes.com

► Original fine art by local artists, home décor and custom framing.

KLM Studio & Gallery

235 Girod St. (985) 373-8118 www.facebook.com/ klmstudiogallery

► Watercolors and acrylics by Kathy Levine and Kelly Levine Musser.

Mary Ann Bonura Fine Art Studio & Gallery

2012 Jefferson St. (985) 276-0138 www.maryannbonura.com

► Modern Realist paintings with an underlying tone of spirituality by Maryann Bonura Smith.

Pappion Artistry Gallery 528 Girod St.

www.pappionartistry.com

▶ Gift shop and gallery by painter Christina Pappion.

Pineapple Gallery

829 Asbury Drive (985) 626-0028

www.pineapplegallery.com

► Original artwork by local artists, gifts, and conservation framing.

Pizella Picture Framing and Fine

1901 Hwy. 190 Ste. 5 (985) 231-7088 www.pizzellapainting.com

► Owner/artist Michael Pizella provides custom framing and commissioned artwork.

Tanya F. Dischler Beyond the Bayou Studio

(504) 577-1949 www.tanyadischler.com

SLIDELL

Marketplace at the Chamber

1808 Front St. (985) 643-5678

www.estchamber.com

► Located on first floor of East St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce, the "MARTketPlace" includes Adam Sambola Gallery, Pottery Studio KLH, Mardi Gras MisChief Gallery, Bead Society of Slidell and dozens more fine artists, plus books by regional authors and fine gifts, and sweet treats by Camellia Flour Bakery. Art openings on first Thursdays.

City of Slidell Cultural Center

2055 Second St. (985) 646-4375 www.myslidell.com Hours: 12-4pm Wed-Fri

► Located in Slidell's City Hall, the center is Slidell's premier exhibitor of major shows and civic events. Shows: Salad Days Juried Exhibition of Student Work, Jan. 19-Feb. 23: The Works of Randy Carmichael, March 2-29.

Dellsperger Studio & Gallery

1920 Third St. (504) 382-1621

www.dellspergerstudio.com

► Featuring the artwork of Keith Dellsperger. Open for special events and by appointment.

Flowering Blues

220 Erlanger St. (800) 260-5057 www.floweringblues.com

► Handmade table linens and aprons designed with artist Mia Kaplan's drawings of Louisiana wildflowers.

Ideel Design Custom Metal Art 2260 Carey St., Ste. 4 (985) 710-0126

► Metal artwork focusing on themes of New Orleans architecture, Louisiana culture and wildlife.

LIVE THEATER

30 by Ninety Theatre 880 Lafayette St., Mandeville

www.ideeldesign.com

844-THE-3090 (toll free) www.30byninety.com

▶ Programming that challenges and entertains. Shows: The Foreigner, Feb. 17-March 4.

Café Luke Dinner Theatre 153 Robert St., Slidell

(985) 707-1597 www.cafeluke.com

► Rickie Luke's dinner theater in Olde Towne Slidell's historic Grande Manor. Shows: Don't Hug Me, We're Married, Jan. 5-13.

Cutting Edge Theater 747 Robert Blvd., inside

Attractions Salon, Slidell (985) 649-3727 www.cuttingedgetheater.com

► Original plays as well as off-Broadway hits. Shows: That 70's Show — A Musical, Jan. 12-27; Beauty and the Beast — The Broad-

way Musical, Feb. 27-March 25. Playmakers, Inc. Community Theater

19106 Playmakers Rd., Covington (985) 893-1671 www.playmakersinc.com

► Non-profit amateur theater offering six productions each year, plus summer theater camps for children. Shows: All the King's Men, March

Slidell Little Theatre

2024 Nellie Drive, Slidell (985) 641-0324 www.slidelllittletheatre.org

► The 200-seat community theater presents six productions from August to May, plus summer Young Actors Theater (YATs). Shows: Peter and the Starcatcher, Jan. 19-Feb. 4; Members' Choice: 45 Seconds from Broadway, March 9-25.

SHOWCASE

Ruby's Roadhouse

LIVE MUSIC VENUES

Live music is a vibrant aspect of Northshore life. Here are some of the venues you might want to check out. Visit our online Calendar of Events at www.LouisianaNorthshore.com for concert information.

COLUMBIA STREET TAP ROOM &

GRILL Live music Fridays and Saturdays. Regional rock acts include Four Unplugged, Bottoms Up and Big Sam's Funky Nation. 434 N. Columbia St., Covington. (985) 898-0899 or www.columbiastreettaproom.com.

COLUMBIA STREET ROCK-N-BLUES CAFÉ A café and bar by day becomes a

cool music club by night with karaoke, DJs, live music and comedy acts, Wednesday to Saturday. 407 N. Columbia St., Covington. (985) 892-9949 or www.rocknbluescafe. com.

WHARTON'S (Formerly Green Room) New upscale wine and craft cocktail spot will feature live music on Fridays and a DJ and occasional live music on Saturdays. Blues duo performs on Wednesdays. 521 E. Boston St., Covington. (985) 249-6424.

BEACH HOUSE BAR & GRILL Live music on weekends outside on the covered

patio. Acoustic, rock, with artists like Eric Lindell and Christian Serpas & Ghost Town. 124 Girod St., Mandeville. (985) 624-9331 or

www.thebeachhousemandeville.com

RUBY'S ROADHOUSE Party hard at this great little roadhouse featuring full-tilt Louisiana boogie mode with acts like Tab Benoit, John Papa Gros, and Eric Lindell. 840 Lamarque St., in Mandeville. (985) 626-9748 or www.rubysroadhouse.com.

SPECKLED T'S Seafood restaurant by day turns to Speckled T's After Dark with bands like Category 6, The Topcats, and Bag of Donuts. 158 S. Military Rd., Slidell, (985) 646-1728 or www.speckledts.com.

SURFER'S REHAB BISTRO Near-

nightly entertainment includes karaoke, open mics and live music. Bands include The Castaways, Redline, Resurrection. 4762 Pontchartrain Drive, Slidell, (985) 201-7656 or www.surfersrehab. com.



ESCAPE ROOMS

The Escape 13433 Seymour Meyers Blvd. #4, Covington (985) 373-5520 www.theescapecovington

► Live escape room experience. Ages 8 and up, under 16 with adult. Holiday specials.

Escapology 3025 Pinnacle Pkwy, Covington (985) 520-0570

www.escapology.com/en/covington-la ▶ Live escape room games centered around time travel to fix illegal changes in the world's timeline.

GEAR, RENTALS

Abita Board Barn 71350 Hwy 59, Abita Springs (985) 807-4733 www.abitaboardbarn.com

► Stand up paddle boards for sale or rent, plus stand-up paddling instruction.

The Bait Shop on Front Street 1604 Front St., Slidell (985) 641-1573

► Kayak rentals, live and frozen bait, tackle, propane.

Bayou Adventure 27725 Main St., Lacombe (985) 882-9208 www.bayouadventure.com

► Kayak and bike rentals and fishing equipment (for sale and for rent), sup-plies and live bait. Guided kayak and fishing tours. Hobby and gift shop.

Brooks' Bike Shop — Covington 416 E. Gibson St., Covington (985) 214-6920 www.brooksbikeshop.com

► Rent a bike, kayak or skateboard one block from Covington Trailhead. Monthly tours through downtown

Brooks' Bike Shop - Mandeville 128 Girod St., Mandeville (985) 789-5037 www.brooksbikeshop.com

▶ Bicycle rentals and some sales, near Mandeville Trailhead. Get help with repairs or work on your own in the community shop.

Gus' Tackle and Nets 726 Old Spanish Trail, Slidell (985) 643-2848

www.gustacklenets.com Fishing gear, live bait and lures.

Seal Sports 2213 N. Causeway Blvd., Mandeville (888) 917-2822 | (985) 674-3088 www.sealsports.net Kayak, paddleboard and SCUBA rentals. Gear. Group excursions.

Shack de Ville 2020 Woodrow St. (985) 629-4003

▶ Bike rentals across from Mandeville Trailhead. Snowball shop and café, too.

The Spokesman Professional Bicycle

1848 N. Causeway Blvd., Mandeville (985) 727-7211 www.spokesmanprobikeworks.com

► Bike rentals, bicycles, gear and repair service.

Wicked Fishing Charters Mandeville 120 Jackson St. (Pontchartrain Yacht Club) (985) 750-0670

www.mandevillefishingcharters.com ► Scenic kayak tours on Cane Bayou and Bayous Lacombe and Castine, with or without a guide. Two- and four-hour trips. See website for items provided and recommended.

(For boat rentals, see Marinas)

FISHING CHARTERS

1 Chasing Tail Charters, LLC 52250 Hwy. 90 Rigolets Marina, Slidell (601) 799-6193 | 1chasingtail@att.net

www.fishinglouisiana.net ► Captain John Haller fishes Louisiana marsh, Lake Pontchartrain.

Angling Adventures of Louisiana 53105 Hwy. 433, Slidell (985) 781-7811

www.aaofla.com

► Captain Mike Gallo offers fishing using light tackle or fly-fishing gear.

Captain Dudley Vandenborre Fishing **Guide Service**

210 Charles Ct., Slidell (Eden Isles) (985) 847-1924 www.rodnreel.com/dudley

► Louisiana icon Dudley Vandenborre created Deadly Dudley lures; fishes

Lake Pontchartrain.

Captain Jim's Circle J Charters 41030 S. 4th St., Slidell (985) 640-3973 | CaptainJimLamarque@

yahóo.com ► Capt. Jim Lamarque fishing for trout and redfish in lakes Borgne and

Dockside Charter Service 1524 Marina Drive, Slidell (985) 707-9049

Pontchartrain.

www.docksidela.com ▶ Inshore fishing charters in Lake Pontchartrain basin with captains Kris Robert, Bubby Lamy and Ty Hibbs.

Escape Fishing Charters 210 Blackfin Cove, Slidell (985) 847-0672

www.escapefishingcharter.com ► Light tackle for speckled trout, redfish with captains Tim Ursin, Sr. and Jr.

Go For It Charters 43207 Hwy. 190 E., Slidell (985) 641-8532 http://fishlcba.com/charter_captain/ capt-gary-taylor_285.html

► Fly fishing with Capt. Gary Taylor.

Lake Pontchartrain Charters (985) 643-2944 | (985) 960-3068 www.lakepontchartraincharters.com

► Capt. Kenny & Laura Kreeger fish Lake Pontchartrain. Caught biggest trout to come out of the lake.

Living a Dream Guide Service 311 Čedarwood St., Mandeville (985) 705-1244

www.livingadreamguideservice.com ► Captain Eric Dumas works Lake Pontchartrain for trout, redfish and triple-tail.

Nola Sight Fishing 3823 Kent St., Slidell (985) 259-7044 www.nolasightfishing.com

► Capt. Justin Collison leads half-day and full-day trips for bull redfish, drum and trout. Launches from The Dock Slidell.

Sea Reaper Charters 209 Eden Isles Blvd., Slidell (985) 415-0081 www.seareapercharters.com

► Capt. George Brooks, U.S.C.G. leads fishing trips for adults and chil-

Strictly Business Fishing Charters 1581 Monaco Drive, Slidell www.strictlybusinessfishingcharters.

► Chartered trips with Capt. Claude Jolicoeur.

Therapy Charters 132 Rue Royal, Slidell (985) 649-FISH (3474) www.therapycharters.net

com

► Capt. John Falterman Jr. offers inland charter fishing for families.

To Fish Charters Lake Pontchartrain (985) 960-1709

www.tofishcharters.com ► Capt. Greg Schlumbrecht offers light tackle guide service.

Trophy Trout Charters 70417 H St., Covington (985) 966-9965

www.facebook.com/trophytroutcharters ► Capt. Henry Poirier, Jr. fishes speck-led trout in Lake Pontchartrain.

Wicked Fishing Charters Mandeville 120 Jackson St. (Pontchartrain Yacht

(985) 750-0670 www.mandevillefishingcharters.com

► Fishes Lake Pontchartrain and marsh for redfish, gar, trout and shark. Launches from Pontchartrain Yacht Club, Mandeville or Dockside in Slidell.

FISHING PIERS

St. Tammany Parish Fishing Pier 54001 E. Howze Beach Rd., Slidell (985) 649-1922 www.sttammanyfishingpier.com

► Staffed pier with Parish Pier Patrol during operating hours. Closed December-February, reopens in March, date announced on website. Spring hours are 7am-7pm Wed, Thu, Sun and Fri-Sat 7am-8pm. Closed Mon-Tues. Admission is \$3 to fish and \$1 to sightsee without fishing, free for children under 12. From I-10 Exit 261/Oak Harbor Blvd., follow Oak Harbor to S. Lake Drive to West End Blvd. and follow signs to parking area. No pets.

Sunset Point & Fishing Pier Massena St. at Lake Pontchartrain, Mandeville (985) 626-3144

www.cityofmandeville.com/public-parks ▶ Open 24 hours. Public restrooms, picnic tables onshore and water connection at end of pier for cleaning fish.

GOLF

Abita Springs Golf & Country Club 73433 Oliver St., Abita Springs (985) 893-2463 www.abitagolf.com

▶ Public course, 18 holes, instruction available. On-site bar and grill serves breakfast and lunch.

Beau Chene Country Club 602 N. Beau Chiene Drive, Mandeville (985) 845-3571

www.beauchenecc.com

▶ Private; reservations accepted for travelers belonging to a home club. Two 18-hole courses, instruction available, restaurant, tennis, pool, cabana.

Covington Country Club 200 Country Club Drive, Covington (985) 892-1900

www.covingtoncountryclub.com ► Semi-private course, 18 holes, instruction available, tennis.

Money Hill Golf & Country Club 100 Country Club Drive, Abita Springs (985) 892-8250 www.moneyhill.com

► Private; reservations accepted for travelers belonging to a home club. 18 holes, practice facility, instruction available. Restaurant, tennis, pool, fitness

Oak Harbor Golf Club 201 Oak Harbor Blvd., Slidell (985) 646-0110 www.oakharborgolf.com

► Semi-private, 18 holes, instruction available, practice facility, restaurant.

Pinewood Country Club 405 Country Club Blvd., Slidell (985) 643-6892

► Semi-private, 18 holes, instruction available. Restaurant, tennis.

Royal Golf Club 201 Royal Drive, Slidell (985) 643-3000

▶ Public course, 18 holes, instruction available, café.

Tchefuncta Country Club 2 Country Club Park, Covington (985) 892-0925

► Private; reservations accepted for travelers belonging to a home club. 18 holes, instruction available, restaurant,

HORSEBACK RIDING

Splendor Farms 27329 Mill Creek Rd., Bush (985) 630-8960 www.splendorfarms.com

► Horseback riding, multiple riding trails (lessons available). Petting zoo, picnic areas. B&B.

Sunflower Farm and Ranch, LLC 84080 Pierre Cemetery Rd., Folsom (985) 773-0425 www.sunflowerfarmandranch.net

► Guided or independent horseback riding tours 7 days. Reservations

MARINAS

Bayou Liberty Marina 58047 Bayou Liberty Rd., Slidell (985) 646-3858 www.bayoulibertymarinallc.com

▶ Boat slips, dry storage, shower facilities, free WiFi. Public boat ramp.

Bonfouca Marina LLC 33370 Rivet Drive, Slidell (985) 646-1906 | (985) 290-0321

▶ Wet and dry boat slips. Hook-ups. Closest mariná to lake via Bayou

Colbert Cove Marina 1099 Villere St., Mandeville (985) 626-1156

Sailboat marina. Boat slip rentals.

The Dock & Bait Shop 118 Harbor View Ct., Slidell (985) 707-1417 | (504) 799-8664

 Bait shop, fuel, hoist and hack-do ramp. Boat storage and slips. Tournament-grade Coconut Beach Volleyball courts. Party boat and barge rentals, Aquafly flyboarding. Adjacent to Surfer's Rehab Bistro with indoor/outdoor dining, two bars, live entertainment.

Heron's Way Marina 688 Soult St., Mandeville (985) 626-4287

Lake Pontchartrain Harbor Marina 225 Antibes St. W. Ste. 1, Mandeville (985) 626-1517

► Dredged channels, gas & diesel pump out. Long term and overnight.

Lakeshore Marina & Yacht Harbor 62602 West End Blvd., Slidell (985) 781-SLIP (7547)

► Four docks with 200 wet slips and dry storage. Lake access, store, bait, parts and service. Shuttles to airport and New Orleans, fishing charters. Restaurant on site.

Marina Beau Chene 900 Marina Blvd., Mandeville (985) 845-3454 www.marinabeauchene.com

▶ Boat slip rentals, slip-side parking,

protected inland harbor, 24-hour security and also dry storage.

Marina Del Ray 100 Marina Del Ray, Madisonville (985) 845-4474

www.marinadelrayla.com ► Covered slips, dry storage, showers, store, playground and pet area.

Nunmaker Yachts & Marina 112 Hwy. 22 E., Madisonville (985) 792-4622

www.nunmakeryachts.com ▶ Boat rentals and sales on Tchefuncte River. Marine store, service, dry storage.

Oak Harbor Marina 1640 Harbor Drive, Slidell (985) 641-1044

► Boat slip rentals. Office located at Tammany Yacht Club.

Prieto Marina 1298 Madison St., Mandeville (985) 626-9670 www.prietomarina.com

► On Bayou Castine, close to Pontchartrain Yacht Club.

Rigolets Marina 52250 Hwy. 90, Slidell (985) 641-8088 www.rigoletsmarina.com ▶ Boat launch. Store, bait, fuel. Launch

point for charters.

Salty's Marina 117 Hwy. 22 E., Madisonville (985) 845-8485

► Covered slips and storage. Near five launch sites.

Slidell Marine, LLC 36440 Old Bayou Liberty Rd., Slidell (985) 649-4412 www.slidellmarine.com

► Boats and accessories, fuel, dry

ON THE WATER, TUBING

Aquafly New Orleans 100 Marina Del Ray, Madisonville (504) 957-5859

www.aquaflyneworleans.com

▶ Offering individual and group
Flyboard,N¢ lessons, and Hoverboard, Nc, on the Tchefuncte River and in Slidell. Reservations required.

Bayou Adventure 27725 Main St., Lacombe (985) 882-9208 www.bayouadventure.com

► Guided kayak, eco, evening and fishing tours on Cane Bayou and around Big Branch Marsh. Kayak and bike rentals and fishing gear for rent.

Bayou Paddle Company 1848 N. Causeway Blvd., Covington (985) 966-7978

► Paddleboarding on Bogue Falaya and Tchefuncte rivers and Lake Pontchartrain. Tours of Bogue Chitto River. Guides, classes and gear. (Inside The Spokesman bicycle shop.)

Canoe and Trail Adventures (Call for address) (504) 233-0686

www.canoeandtrail.com ► Eco-friendly canoe and kayak tours led by certified Louisiana Naturalist guides. Three-hour paddles on Cane Bayou. Twilight tours and group tours,

Delaune Sailing Charters

(504) 458-1013 www.delaunesailingcharters.com

► Sail Lake Pontchartrain with Capt. Rick Delaune. Two-hour trips at midday and sunset with snacks provided for up to 6 passengers. Lessons available. Five-star rating and Certificate of Excellence on Trip Advisor.

Honey Island Kayak Tours 65583 Pump Slough Rd., Pearl River

(504) 517-3066 www.honeyislandkayaktours.com Guided swamp tours for ages 6 and

up. Three-hour trips daily, March to November, launching from Honey Island Fish House. Transportation to launch site available.

Louisiana River Adventures 12409 Camp Circle Rd., Franklinton (985) 795-2004

www.louisianariveradventures.com ▶ Tubing, canoeing and kayaking trips on the Bogue Chitto River, plus fishing and primitive camping. Limited hours in winter, call for appointment.

Massey's Professional Outfitters 816 N. Hwy. 190, Mandeville (985) 809-7544

www.masseysoutfitters.com ► Fishing, canoe and kayak trips on Cane Bayou and Bogue Chitto River.

NOLA Flyboarding (504) 982-8346

www.nolaflyboarding.com

▶ NOLA Flyboarding on Madisonville's Tchefuncte River, for individuals and groups. Ages 14+. Jet ski, pontoon, kayak and paddleboard rentals. By appointment.

Rocky Bottom Tubing 17049 State Park Blvd. Bogue Chitto State Park, Franklinton (985) 515-1477 www.facebook.com/rockybottom. tubing

▶ Tubing, kayaking, canoeing, and tube-kayaking down the Bogue Chitto River. Rentals include shuttle and life

PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS

Camp Salmen Nature Park 35122 Parish Pkwy., Slidell (985) 898-3011

www.campsalmennaturepark.org ► Trails, pavilion, frontage on Bayou Liberty. Historic area of Spanish land grant, trading post and ferry crossing. Located .8 miles east of Northshore Blvd. on Gause Blvd. Open Fri-Sun 9am-4:30pm. Pier open Fri-Sun 7am-

Ducksworth Park

1191 Campbell Drive, Slidell (985) 646-4371 www.myslidell.com

► Playground, pavilion, basketball court, baseball field.

Fairview-Riverside State Park 119 Fairview Drive, Madisonville (985) 845-3318 http://bit.ly/21hlPuE

► Campsites, fishing, picnicking and trails. Tours of historic Otis House

Fontainebleau State Park 62883 Hwy. 1089, Mandeville (888) 677-3668 | (985) 624-4443 http://bit.ly/1N9jreK

► Historic 2,800-acre park located on shore of Lake Pontchartrain features ruins of an 1829 sugar mill, trails, camping, lodge, sandy beach, and over-water, furnished cabins for rent. Visitor center open 9am-5:30pm Sat-Wed. Park admission \$3, ages 4-62.

Fritchie Park 905 W. Howze Beach Rd., Slidell (985) 646-4371 www.myslidell.com

▶ 176 acres with ball fields, covered pavilion, and fenced area for dogs. **Griffith Park**

333 Erlanger St., Slidell (985) 646-4371 www.myslidell.com ► Playground, gazebo, pavilion. Heritage Park

1701 Bayou Ln., Slidell (985) 646-4371 www.myslidell.com ► Playground, shelters, picnic tables, splash pad, restrooms, free boat

John Slidell Park 105 Robert Blvd., Slidell (985) 646-6141 www.myslidell.com

launch. Free live concerts.

▶ Playground, ball fields, picnic tables, gym, jogging/walking trails and pavilion.

Kids Konnection Playground Tammany Trace Trailhead, Mandeville 21490 Koop Drive (985) 867-9490

www.tammanytrace.org ► Accessible for children of all abilities.

Pelican Park 63350 Pelican Drive, Mandeville (985) 626-7997

www.pelicanpark.com ► Sports complex features ball fields, skate park, dog park, batting cages and Castine Center convention hall.

Possum Hollow Park 801 Cousin St., Slidell (985) 646-437.1

www.myslidell.com ► Two softball and two multi-purpose fields. Covered pavilion and exercise

MISCELLANEOUS FUN

Gold Coast Skydiving Drop Zone: St. Tammany Regional Airport, Abita Springs www.goldcoastskydivers.com

► See beautiful St. Tammany from high above. Groups welcome. Tandem skydive for beginners. Over 20 years'

Holotech Virtual Reality Arcade 710 Brownswitch Rd., Ste. 5, Slidell (985) 259-4330 www.holotechvr.com

► Twelve virtual reality portals for 10, 30 and 60 minute games. Party packages available.

Skydive N'Awlins 62512 Airport Rd., T-Hangar 9, Slidell (985) 643-7070 www.skydivenawlins.com

► Tandem skydiving and instruction for adults 18+.

Slidell Rocks 39543 Hwy. 190 E., Slidell (985) 646-1411 www.slidellrocks.com

► Rock-climbing gym for all ages.





ST. TAMMANY TIME LINE

1600 B.C. The Choctaw inhabit the northern shore of Lake Pontchartrain.

1699 Brothers Pierre LeMoyne Sieur d'Iberville and Jean Batiste LeMoyne Sieur de Bienville visit the north shore of Lake Pontchartrain.

1803 The United States acquires 828,000 square miles of territory from the French in the Louisiana Purchase. It does not include St. Tammany or any Spanish West Florida parishes.

1810 The West Florida Revolt attempts to overthrow Spanish authority in the area. The Republic of West Florida is formed – and lasts for

1812 In April, Louisiana is admitted to the Union. West Florida doesn't become part of the new state until

1887 A tourism boom begins in Abita Springs when a doctor determines the local springs have medicinal qualities.

1913 Construction begins on a concrete seawall in Mandeville, replacing the original wooden structure. Today the seawall is a popular spot for strolling and sunset-watching

1950 Noted American novelist Walker Percy ('The Moviegoer') moves to Covington and begins his writing career. He is buried at St. Joseph's Abbey in Covington.

1956 The first span of the Pontchartrain Causeway is built, stretching over the 24-mile-wide lake between Mandeville and the south shore. (A second span is built in 1969.) The Causeway is the longest continuous bridge over water in the world.

2005 Hurricane Katrina causes damage to much of St. Tammany Parish, in particular the Slidell area and Mandeville lakefront. Recovery begins immediately.

2007 Brad Pitt films scenes from 'The Curious Case of Benjamin Button' on the Northshore.

2016 St. Tammany is part of burgeoning economic region nicknamed 'the I-10 I-12 Corridor.'

Northshore past

AN EXPLORER, A REVOLT AND CENTURIES OF HISTORY

Native Americans were the first residents of the bountiful area now known as St. Tammany Parish, or the Northshore, where lush forests and numerous waterways provided both sustenance and means of transportation. Archaeologists today are excavating Northshore sites attributed to various tribes, including the Choctaw, Tchefuncte, Acolapissa and Houma. Native American heritage is reflected in the names of area rivers, including the Bogue Falaya, Tchefuncte and Abita.

French explorer Pierre LeMoyne Sieur d'Iberville encountered and named Lake Pontchartrain in 1699. Thus began European presence on the Northshore, and the parish would pass between the French, Spanish, and British governments, and eventually to the Americans. St. Tammany, defined as the parish 'between the Tangipahoa and Pearl rivers,' was not part of the Louisiana Purchase in 1803 but instead was part of an area known as Spanish West Florida.

In 1810, residents of the eight West Florida parishes staged an armed insurrection to overthrow the existing Spanish government. During what now is known as the West Florida Revolt, they created the Republic of West Florida, electing a president and hoisting its own flag, the Bonnie Blue – an azure-colored flag with a big white star. The short-lived republic – it lasted 74 days – predated the better-known Republic of Texas by almost three decades.

It wasn't until August 1812, months after Louisiana had become a state, that the parish became part of Louisiana and the U.S.

In 2010, the West Florida Parishes celebrated the bicentennial of the Revolt with a series of commemorative events, including a Bonnie Blue flag-raising in late September, along with dedication of an

A number of Northshore towns

were founded in the early 19th century. Madisonville began as Coquille and was renamed in 1810 after then-president James Madison. Covington was founded in 1813. Mandeville was founded in 1830 by a French New Orleanian of entrepreneurial spirit, Bernard Marigny de Mandeville. Remnants of his sugar plantation still can be seen at present-day Fontainebleau State

St. Tammany Parish development was greatly influenced by its many waterways, which provided navigable routes for moving timber, foodstuffs and other goods through the parish and to New Orleans. Naval battles were fought in the area during the War of 1812 and the Civil War; great wooden ships were built at Madisonville's Jahncke Shipyard for the U.S. Navy during World War I. Today, the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Maritime Museum sheds light on the area's maritime history, working to preserve the Tchefuncte River Lighthouse (built in 1837).

African-Americans, many free people of color, contributed to the growth of St. Tammany, helping develop new industries, including timber, boat building, brickmaking and farming. Descendants flourish in Lacombe, where Creole families still celebrate such traditions as 'Les Toussaints les Lumieres du Morte,' an All Saints Day event for which families clean and decorate graves and light candles at dusk.

The Northshore flourished in the late19th century, when affluent New Orleanians flocked to 'l'autre cote du lac' ('the other side of the lake') for fresh air, spring water and a resort lifestyle. The parish boomed, especially during the summers, as a healthful destination with numerous hotels, inns and restaurants. Daily steamboat

excursions and later the railroads, brought visitors who sometimes stayed months at a

Though most of the grand hotels are gone (the Longbranch Hotel annex is still standing in Abita), many historic buildings and homes remain. Driving tours of Mandeville, Covington, Madisonville and Abita reveal 19th-century cottages, oldgrowth gardens and centuries-old trees.

Today, the Northshore is a thriving bundle of communities, each with its own personality, set amid green spaces and wildlife preserves.

The parish population grew considerably in the months following Hurricane Katrina in 2005, which devastated parts of the Northshore but left much of it with little damage. Hardest hit in St. Tammany was Slidell, on the eastern end of the parish; its historic Olde Towne area and many neighborhoods were devastated. Also hard hit was the Mandeville lakefront, which lost historic homes and some businesses.

Today, St. Tammany is thriving. Olde Towne Slidell and the Mandeville lakefront are open for business. New hotels and shopping areas are coming online and companies moving in. The parish is among the most

> affluent in the state, has topranked schools and boasts a high quality of life, despite also being among the fastestgrowing in Louisiana. That may be because residents, old and new, recognize the importance of preserving the qualities that have drawn people to the Northshore for years — its natural beauty and its heritage.

> > Restoration is planned for the Tchefuncte River Lighthouse, built in 1837.



Dew Drop oldest unaltered jazz hall

It's small as concert halls go. It's never had electricity. Or A/C. And yet the Dew Drop looms large for jazz pilgrims looking for the real thing. Area mu sicians say gigs there feel special, maybe even spiritual. And a devoted clutch of German jazz musicians makes a biannual journey just to play on the rustic stage of what is believed to be the world's oldest unaltered rural jazz hall.

The Dew Drop Social and Benevolent Hall opened in what is now Old Mandeville in 1895 by a group of civic-minded African-American residents as a venue for raising funds for needy individuals in their community. Located in the 400 block of Lamarque, just blocks from the Mandeville lakefront, the

A very early jazz venue, the Dew Drop remains unchanged.

unpainted wooden structure looks as it did more than a century ago when musicians playing a new type of music called jazz took steamboats across the lake from New Orleans to play at the hall. Among them were early greats Buddy Petit and Kid Ory; later a young Louis Armstrong played there.

The Dew Drop is still hosting musicians, now brought in by Friends of the Dew Drop, who play for visitors sitting on wooden benches or outside (windows are thrown open so sound carries) on lawn chairs.

Watch for concert dates on our online calendar of events at www.LouisianaNorthshore.com or visit www.DewDropJazzHall.com for more information.



B&B'S **ABITA SPRINGS**

Abita Springs Be & Be 75317 Moonshadow Ln. (281) 881-5815 www.asbb.com

► A cabin, a two-story cottage and a tipi on 130 acres. Pool, hot tub, sauna, gas grills, two stocked ponds, golf cart. Adjacent to wildlife preserve. No TV or phone.

BUSH

Splendor Farms B&B 27329 Mill Creek Rd. (985) 630-8960 www.splendorfarms.com

► Three rooms, 8-bed bunkhouse. Horseback riding, fishing, canoeing and tubing, petting zoo and pool.

COVINGTON

Annadele's Plantation Restaurant and Bed & Breakfast 71518 Chestnut St. (985) 809-7669 www.annadeles.com

► Historic inn offers 4 large rooms. Restaurant and bar. Minutes to downtown Covington.

Blue Willow Bed & Breakfast 505 E. Rutland St. (985) 892-0011

www.bluewillowbandb.com ▶ 3 rooms on lovely grounds in Covington's historic district.

Camellia House Bed & Breakfast 426 E. Rutland St. (985) 893-2442 www.camelliahouse.net

► Four charming rooms, pool/spa patio area. In historic district.

FOLSOM

Little River Bluffs - A Nature **Preserve & Retreat** 11082 Garden Ln.

(985) 796-5257 www.littleriverbluffs.com

▶ 50 wooded acres. River Chalet, Meadow Cabin, Guest House and Honeymoon Suite. Meeting facility. Kayaking, tubing, hiking, pond fishing, paddle boats. WiFi.

Normandy House Bed & **Breakfast**

15474 LA Hwy. 40 (985) 590-1100 http://www.bedandbreakfast. com/louisiana-folsom-normandyhouse.html

► Home on a 54-acre nature preserve. Three guest rooms. Canoeing, fishing, hiking.

LACOMBE

Pine Lily Retreat House 26064 Hwy. 190 (985) 768-6069 www.pinelilyretreat.com

▶ Weekend craft retreats, classes for "girls' getaways." Sleeps 8 in 3 rooms. Craft room, kitchen. Spa services available.

MANDEVILLE

About Trace B&B (985) 869-4252 www.abouttracebnb.com

► Large king suite one block from Tammany Trace hike/bike trail and Mandeville Trailhead. Kitchenette, living area with pull-out sofa, large bedroom and private bath. Pet friendly.

de la Bleau B&B

124 Lafitte St. (985) 624-8181 www.delableau.com

▶ Block from lakefront. Three rooms with private baths and entrances. Includes full breakfast, with Wi-Fi, TV, refrigerator,

microwave and coffeemaker in each room. Afternoon cocktail hour. Extended stay suite house.

Blue Heron Bed & Breakfast 510 Girod St.

(985) 373-8902 www.blueheronmandevillela.com

► Recently renovated 19th-century home with two king suites with private entrances. Breakfast en suite. Close to lakefront, shopping, historic sites and Tammany Trace.

Cressy House Bed & Breakfast 132 Coffee St.

(985) 630-5902

▶ 2 guest rooms, including handicap-accessible Queen Suite. Continental breakfast. Block from lakefront.

Mar Villa Guest House

2013 Claiborne St. (985) 626-5975 www.marvilla.com

► Restored 1870s guest house. Three rooms with private entrances, full baths. Close to lakefront.

Pontchartrain Winds

434 Girod St. (985) 727-2444 www.pontchartrainwinds.com

► Two guest cottages offer full kitchens. Pet-friendly. Close to lakefront.

SLIDELL

Bayou Haven B&B

34205 Hwy. 433 (985) 707-4884 www.bayouhavenslidell.com

► Seven large rooms. Wi-Fi, cable TV, full breakfast and complimentary refreshments. Great views of Bayou Liberty and marsh. Fishing pier, kayaks for guests. Vacation packages available.

Woodridge Bed and Breakfast 40149 Crowe's Landing, Pearl

River/Slidell (877) 643-7109 | (985) 863-9981 www.woodridgebb.com

► Five guest suites, private baths. Breakfast, pool, spa. Events pavilion. Minister available for weddings.

CAMPING COVINGTON

Land-O-Pines Family Campground

17145 Million Dollar Rd. (985) 892-6023 www.camplop.com

► Full hookup premium camp sites, cabin and RV rental units, day use areas. Wedding chapel. Picnic areas, BBQ pits, pools with water slide, stocked pond, game room, mini-golf, laundry, store.

MADISONVILLE

Fairview-Riverside State Park

119 Fairview Drive (985) 845-3318 http://bit.ly/21hlPuE

► On the Tchefuncte River. Includes premium, improved and unimproved campsites. America the Beautiful passes accepted. Historic Otis House tours.

MANDEVILLE

Fontainebleau State Park

62883 Hwy. 1089 (985) 624-4443 http://bit.ly/1N9jreK

► Furnished cabins, built over the waters of Lake Pontchartrain, sleep 6-8. Park offers 2,800 acres with improved and unimproved campsites; trails, 3 group camps, lodge, pool and sandy beach, playground.

WE'LL ALWAYS DO OUR BEST TO MAKE YOU FEEL WELCOME ON THE NORTHSHORE.

SLIDELL

New Orleans East Kampground

56009 Hwy. 433 (800) 562-2128 | (985) 643-3850 www.neworleanseastkampground.

► Laundry, pull-through sites, plus Mini Golf. Large vehicles and RVs. Car rentals available.

Pine Crest RV Park and Campground

2601 Old Spanish Trail (800) 879-5936 | (985) 649-3181 www.pinecrestrv.com

► Lake, kitchen, meeting area, laundry. Pull-through sites. Large vehicles and RVs. All paved roads and paved sites.

HOTELS

COVINGTON

Best Western Northpark Inn 625 N. Hwy. 190 (877) 766-6700 | (985) 892-2681 www.northparkinnhotel.com

▶ Internet in room, free breakfast.

The Chateau Hotel

200 Pinnacle Pkwy. (985) 871-0356 | (800) 531-5900

► Free Internet, breakfast. Outdoor pool, fitness and business centers.

Clarion Inn Hotel & Suites Conference Center

501 N. Hwy. 190 (800) 613-2012 | (985) 893-3580 www.clarionhotel.com

► The Rocks restaurant, indoor/ outdoor pools, exercise facilities. Free WiFi, hot breakfast.

Comfort Inn & Suites

30 Louis Prima Drive (985) 809-1234 www.choicehotels.com

► Exercise facilities, Internet in rooms, free breakfast.

Country Inn & Suites by Carlson 130 Holiday Blvd. (985) 809-0467

www.countryinns.com ► Free wireless, breakfast buffet. Heated pool.

Courtyard by Marriott

101 Northpark Blvd. (800) 321-2211 | (985) 871-0244 www.marriott.com/msycv

▶ Internet in rooms. Fitness center, indoor pool, meeting rooms, breakfast buffet.

Green Springs Motel 72533 Hwy. 21 (985) 892-4686

► Riverfront. Free WiFi, microwave, refrigerator, satellite TV, laundry, pool.

Hampton Inn Covington 68700 Hwy. 190 Service Rd. (800) 426-7866 | (985) 809-0019 www.HamptonInn.com

► Exercise facilities, Internet in rooms, free breakfast.

Hilton Garden Inn Covington/ Mandeville

New Orleans Northshore 350 Holiday Square Blvd. (985) 327-7118 www.hilton.com

► Internet, microwave, refrigerator, free HBO. Restaurant, room service. Pool, fitness center, business center and pantry.

Holiday Inn Covington 45 Louis Prima Drive (985) 888-1200

▶ New. Restaurant, room service. Pool, fitness center, business center, Wi-Fi, refrigerator, free HBO.

Holiday Inn Express

69354 Stirling Blvd. (985) 892-9811 | (888) 480-0427 https://www.ihg.com/ holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/ covington/msyya/hoteldetail

► Free WiFi, breakfast. Pool, fitness center, business center, **Homewood Suites by Hilton**

101 Holiday Square Frontage Rd. (985) 809-6144 www.homewoodsuites.com

► All-suite hotel. Free Internet, breakfast.

Residence Inn

101 Park Place Blvd. (985) 246-7222 www.marriott.com/msyns

► Extended-stay hotel. Pet friendly. Full kitchens. Free Internet.

Southern Hotel

428 E Boston St. (844) 866-1907 www.southernhotel.com

▶ Restored historic 1907 boutique hotel in heart of downtown Covington. Ballroom, Oxlot 9 Restaurant, Cypress Bar, courtyard, plunge pool, spa services. Free WiFi. Fitness room, laundry.

Staybridge Suites 140 Holiday Blvd. (985) 892-0003 www.staybridgesuites.com/coving-

► Kitchens, meeting space, free laundry & shuttle.

Super 8 Motel

120 Holiday Blvd. (985) 892-4470 www.super8.com

▶ Internet in rooms, free breakfast.

LACOMBE

27075 US 190 (985) 882-5784

Star Motel

▶ Nine rooms. Pets accepted.

MANDEVILLE

Comfort Suites 68073 Hwy. 59

(877) 424-6423 | (985) 892-7700 www.comfortsuites.com

► Free hot breakfast, WiFi, exercise facility, business center.

PEARL RIVER

Microtel Inn & Suites - Pearl River/Slidell

63537 Hwy. 1090 (800) 337-0055 | (985) 863-7310 www.microtelinn.com

► Internet, business center, fitness center, meeting space, laundry, free continental breakfast. Pet friendly.

SLIDELL

America's Best Value Inn & Suites

1516 Gause Blvd. (985) 726-5100 | (800) 315-2378 www.americasbestvalueinn.com

► Free breakfast.

Best Western Plus Slidell Inn

120 Taos St. (800) 780-7234 | (985) 781-5655 www.bestwestern.com/slidellinn

► Free hot breakfast, fitness center, saltwater pool, free high-speed Internet.

Candlewood Suites

100 Holiday Blvd. 877-CANDLEWOOD | (985) 326-0120 www.ichotelsgroup.com/h/d/cw/1/

en/hotel/sliab ▶ Free Internet and cable. Fitness center, indoor pool.

Comfort Inn & Suites

34579 Grantham College Rd. (985) 326-0890

www.choicehotels.com ▶ Pool & hot tub, hot breakfast, business center.

Country Inn & Suites by Carlson 126 Taos St.

(985) 326-8888 | (800) 830-5222 http://hotels.countryinns.com/la/ slidell/hotels_slidell_la_laslidel.html

► Free, hot breakfast, free Wi-Fi, fitness center and business center.

Days Inn

58512 Tyler St. (985) 326-0566 | (800) 329-7466 www.daysinn.com

► Free continental breakfast. Wi-Fi, laundry, fitness facilities. Microwave, refrigerator.

Deluxe Motel

1662 Gause Blvd. (866) 712-8800| (985) 641-8800 www.deluxemotelofslidell.com

Euro Inn and Suites Slidell 58494 Tyler St.

(985) 326-0576 ► Free breakfast, WiFi.

The Guest Lodge

58494 Tyler St. (985) 326-0576

► Internet in rooms, pets accepted, free breakfast.

Hampton Inn

56460 Frank Pichon Rd. 800-HAMPTON | (985) 726-9777 www.hamptoninnslidell.com

► Free breakfast, exercise facilities.

Holiday Inn & Suites Slidell 372 Voters Rd. 800-465-4329 | (985) 639-0890

www.hislidell.com ► Renovated full-service hotel. Restaurant, exercise facilities and in-room internet. Pets accepted

Holiday Inn Express

with fee.

1255 Frontage Rd. (985) 888-1990 | (800) 315-2621 https://www.ihg.com/ holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/ slidell/slinw/hoteldetail

► Formula Blue hotel. Free breakfast, Wi-Fi, gym, pool, laundry, business center, meeting space. ADA rooms and valet available.

(985) 726-7291 www.slidell.homewoodsuites.com ► All-suite hotel. Free breakfast. Exercise facilities, and meeting

Homewood Suites by Hilton

La Quinta Inn New Orleans/

Slidell 794 E. I-10 Service Rd. (985) 643-9770

175 Holiday Blvd.

space.

www.lq.com ► Exercise facilities, in-room internet, pets accepted, free breakfast.

La Quinta Inn & Suites Slidell/

Northshore 126 Holiday Blvd. (985) 649-2170

www.lq.com ► Free Bright Side Breakfast, WiFi, fitness center. Pets welcome.

Motel 6 136 Taos St.

(985) 649-7925 www.motel6.com ▶ Internet in rooms, pets accepted.

Olivia Inn

58506 Yaupon Drive (985) 649-5400

► Free breakfast and WiFi. Picnic

Sleep Inn 142 Oak Ct. (985) 641-2143

Super 8

www.sleepinn.com/hotel/ia099 Internet in rooms, free breakfast.

2010 Old Spanish Trail (985) 641-4147 www.super8.com ► Free breakfast, Internet.

Microwave, refrigerator. **TownePlace Suites by Marriott**

1840 Lindberg Drive (985) 641-2060 www.marriott.com/msyde

► New. Free breakfast, WiFi,

outdoor pool, fitness center,

Fremaux Town Center

kitchenettes. Pet friendly. Wingate by Wyndham

1752 Gause Blvd. E (800) 337-0077 | (985) 288-4950 www.wingatehotels.com

▶ New. 85 rooms, meeting space, business center, pool, gym, full bar, WiFi, free breakfast.

www.louisiananorthshore.com

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COVINGTON

Historic Downtown Covington (985) 892-1873 www.covla.com

► Features galleries, specialty shops, salons, restaurants and more along Columbia Street, Lee Lane, Boston Street, New Hampshire, and throughout the walkable Cultural District. Among the shops: Bella Cucina, California Drawstrings Northshore, deCoeur, Columbia Street Mercantile, Copper Rooster Antiques, Covington Art & Frame, Cottage Antiques, The French Mix, Grande Opus, H.J. Smith's Sons General Store, History Antiques & Interiors, High 5 Studio, Jewel's Cigar and Briar, Miss Ellanea's Notions, Motif, Olive Patch Children's Boutique, On a Whim, Renaissance Antiques & Gifts, Rosemary's Closet, Roy's Knife & Archery Shop, Shoefflé, Shop Soul Boutique, Turkoyz, and more.

Clayton House Marketplace 1600 N. Collins Blvd. (985) 892-6368

www.claytonhousemarketplace.

► Shabby chic, painted furniture, antiques and art.

DeLuca's

842 Collins Blvd. (985) 892-2317 www.delucasjewelry.com

► Gifts for home and special occasions, plus fine and fun jewelry.

The Jefferson House 619 S. Jefferson Ave.

(985) 892-6841

► Fine gifts and stationery selection and printing.

Mo's Art Supply & Framing 315 N. Columbia St. (985) 809-6854

www.mosartsupply.com Fine art supplies, framing, art gifts.

Nord du Lac Shopping Center Intersection Interstate 12 and Highway 21

► Stores include Kohl's, Academy Sports, Hobby Lobby, Kirkland's and Shoe Boutique. Several restaurants.

North Shore Antiques and Auction House

334 N. Vermont St. (985) 626-7704

estate jewelry.

www.northshoreliveauction.com ► Estate auctions, merchandise and

Outdoor Living Center 1331 N. Hwy 190

(985) 893-8008 www.outdoorlivingcenter.com ► Louisiana-themed gifts and home

River Chase Shopping Center I-12 and Hwy 21 (985) 898-2022

www.stirlingprop.com

► Among the Shops: Best Buy, JC Penney, Ross Dress for Less, Marshall's, Target, Shoe Carnival, World Market, Belk, Lane Bryant, Rue 21, Michael's, and more.

Saint Joseph Abbey Gift Shop 75378 River Rd. (985) 867-2227

▶ Wind chimes and statuary, books. jewelry, incense and candles, monkmade soaps.

Tessier Gourmet Fine Foods & Mercantile

308 S. Tyler St. (985) 888-6887 www.tessiergourmet.com

► Fresh or freshly-frozen prepared foods for carryout. Gifts and gourmet food items. 2nd location in Folsom.

Zita's

319 W. 21st Ave. (985) 893-3555 www.zitazone.com

► Rock 'n' roll memorabilia, clothing, candles and incense, jewelry, collectibles. 2nd location in Mandeville.

LACOMBE

Al Atchison's Bordertown Pottery 31204 Hwy. 190

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600 Deer Cross Ct. E (985) 809-2671 www.sevenwondersfurniture.com

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MANDEVILLE

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302 Girod St. (985) 231-1332 www.cameo.boutique

► Clothing, shoes and accessories for women. Gifts and home décor.

Das Schulerhaus Gift Gallery & **Christmas Boutique**

(985) 727-7778

► Gifts, candles, jewelry and Christmas items year-round.

Eclectic Finds by Art Deco Girl 538 Girod St.

(985) 807-1049 www.artdecogirl.com

► Antiques, fine art, vintage finds and gifts.

Habitat for Humanity St. **Tammany West ReStore**

1400 North Ln. (985) 898-0642

www.habitatstw.org/restore

► New and recycled building materials, household goods. Proceeds fund construction of new homes.

Mae Antiques

420 Girod St. (985) 373-1857

▶ Buy-and-sell antique shop with art, jewelry, garden collectibles, architectural iron, more.

Northlake Shopping Center 1814 N. Causeway Approach

► Located at the northwest corner of Hwy 190 and Hwy 22. Among the shops: Stage, Gordon's, Fresh Market, Berger Home, Gunfighter Paintball, Michele, more.

Painted Pelican

1957 N. Collins Blvd. (985) 900-2007

► Monthly multi-dealer market showcasing antiques and collectibles, housewares and more. Four-day market held third Thurs-Sun of each month.

Premier Shopping Centre No. 1 & No. 2

3450 & 3414 Hwy.190 (985) 898-2022 www.stirlingprop.com

► Among the Shops: Whole Foods, Barnes & Noble, Old Navy, Gap, Victoria's Secret, Stein Mart, Banana Republic, Anne Taylor Loft, Aéropostale, more.

St. Francis Thrift Store and Consignment

813 Florida Ave. (985) 626-7838 www.sfas.org

► Kitchen and vintage items, books, clothing and more. Proceeds fund no-kill St. Francis Animal Sanctuary.

Zita's

925-3 Girod St. (985) 626-6222 www.zitazone.com

► Rock n' Roll memorabilia, clothing, candles and incense, jewelry. 2nd location in Covington.

SLIDELL

Bayou Country Village General Store

1101 E. Howze Beach Rd. at I-10 (985) 649-3264 www.bayoucountry.com

► Huge selection of Louisiana gifts, food - yummy pralines! - and souvenirs.

Café Du Bone Dog Bakery & **Boutique**

2253 Carey St. (985) 288-5248 www.cafedubone.com

► Homemade dog treats, premium foods, toys, collars, grooming products.

Fremaux Town Center 1808 Shortcut Hwy.

(337) 572-0246 www.fremauxtowncenter.com

► Shopping center located at I-10 and Fremaux Ave. features scores of stores, including Kohl's, Best Buy, Dillards, Lane Bryant, Victoria's Secret, Dick's Sporting Goods, T.J. Maxx, Pier 1 Imports, Zales, and Michael's, among others. Numerous restaurants, too.

Green Oaks Apothecary

2259 Carey St. (985) 285-9215

www.greenoaksapothecary.com

► Handmade soaps, aromatherapy and herbal remedies.

Habitat for Humanity ReStore 747 Old Spanish Trail

(985) 649-0067 http://www.esthfh.org/restore

▶ New and recycled items, building materials, household goods. Proceeds fund construction of new

Konnie's Gift Depot 859 Brownswitch Rd.

(985) 643-8000

► Fleur-de-lis flags, Saints and LSU mugs, candles, jewelry.

Mardi Gras MisChief Gallery 1808 Front St.

(985) 643-5678 ► Louisiana-themed dolls by artist

Connie Born, one of several art spaces located on first floor of East St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce in the MARTketplace.

Meme's Beads & Things 106 Gause Blvd. W., Ste. A-5

(985) 643-5700 www.memesbeadsandthings.com

▶ Thousands of bead varieties. Unique gift items, works by local artists.



North Shore Square Mall

150 Northshore Blvd. (985) 646-0661 http://northshoresquareonline.com

► Retailers include Dillards, At Home, and specialty shops.

Purple Armadillo Again

2024 Front St. (985) 643-2004

in Slidell.

www.purplearmadillo.net

► Fine china, home goods, decorative items, fragrances and gifts.

Slidell Historic Antique District 124 First St., Olde Towne

(985) 641-6316 www.slidellantiques.com

► District features galleries, restaurants and shops, and numerous antique shops, including: Antiques & Art on First, Aunt Tiques Curiosities & Collectibles, Anda's Antiques, and Barbara's Victorian Closet Antique Mall, including: Damsel N Distress Furniture Rehab, Guilty Treasures and Jeanie's Southern Traditions, and Magnolia House Antiques Mall.

Three Divas and a Sugardaddy **Fine Gifts**

2306 Front St., Ste. 5 (985) 288-5550

► Saints-themed gifts, home décor, bridal, jewelry, bath & body, ladies apparel and baby items.

The "Who Dat" Shoppe of Slidell 311 Robert St. (985) 641-1105

www.thewhodatshoppe.com

► Officially licensed Saints, LSU and Pelicans products and local art.



goods.

GO WATCH: LOUISIANA NORTHSHORE ON VIDEO

Go Coast' webisodes showcase the Tammany Taste

When New Orleans' public broadcasting station WLAE TV launched 'Go Coast: Louisiana' a couple of years back, the aim was to showcase the state's coastal parishes. St. Tammany Parish, known as Louisiana's Northshore, was the star of the first episode which won a regional Emmy for its talented writer and host, Tom Gregory.

In the fall, 'GO COAST LOUISIANA' returned with a delicious new three-episode romp through the Northshore culinary scene. Called the 'Tammany Taste,' the episodes followed Gregory as he ate, sipped and

joked his way across the parish, visiting the chefs, farmers, brewers, bakers and candy makers who call this bountiful place home.

'Go Coast' continues to air on WLAE TV in the New Orleans area, but you can view individual segments from the show as webisodes now living on YouTube.com and on our newly redesigned website. Check out www.LouisianaNorthshore. com to virtually visit landmarks like Sal and Judy's and La Provence; chef-driven gems like Oxlot 9, Del Porto, LOLA, Gallagher's

and Dakota; casual favorites like Liz's Where Y'at Diner, K.Gee's and Phil's Marina Grill, as well as Randazzo's Camellia City Bakery, the parish's craft breweries, the Covington Farmers Market and much more.

The new culinary webisodes, ranging from 2-4 minutes, join the original 'Go Coast' webisodes highlighting Northshore attractions like the Abita Mystery House and Global Wildlife. We hope they'll inspire you to come see St. Tammany Parish for yourself.

CALENDAR OF EVENT

JANUARY

LPO: Romance and Fantasy First Baptist Church, 16333 Hwy. 1085, Covington (504) 523-6530 www.lpomusic.org Hours: 7:30 p.m., pre-concert talk

at 6:30 p.m. Admission: \$20-55

► This concert's theme of romance includes the Spanishtinged dances of Joaquín Turina's Danzas fantásticas, Bruch's Scottish Fantasy for Violin and Orchestra and Prokoviev's Suite from Romeo and Juliet. Featuring internationally acclaimed violinist Ray Chen. Carlos Miguel Prieto conducts.

Jan. 12-13

Downtown Covington Film Festival

Southern Hotel 428 E. Boston St., Covington https://jessycale.wixsite.com/ dtcfilmfest

Admission: TBA Hours: See website

► Inaugural event. Screenings of features, short films, documentaries and student films with awards presented. Panel discussions and meet-and-greet events with filmmakers and judges.

Jan. 13

Cajun Dance

Abita Springs Town Hall, 22161 Level St. (985) 882-3016 www.townofabitasprings.com

Hours: 8-10:30pm Admission: \$8 non-members, \$6 members. Free dance lessons 7-7:30pm, dance 8pm with live

Jan. 19-21

Jazz in January

Christ Episcopal Church 120 S. New Hampshire St., Covington (985) 502-5005 www.christchurchcovington.com Admission: \$40 advance, \$50 at door; Sunday Masses, free Hours: 7pm Fri and Sat, 9am and 11am Sun

► Annual weekend-long music festival features, on Friday, Cuban pianist Aldo Lopez-Gavilan with saxophonist David Caceres; Cuban drummer Yissy Garcia, pianist Deanna Witkowski, vocalist Cyrille Amelie and New Orleans legend Leah Chase on Saturday. The weekend concludes Sunday with Jazz Masses featuring A Tribute to Mary Lou Williams.



LPO Jan. 5 in Covington.

Bayou Lacombe Work-Play Day

Bayou Lacombe Center 61389 Hwy 434, Lacombe (985) 882-2015 www.fws.gov/refuge/big_branch_ marsh

Hours: 9am-1:30pm Admission: Free

► Volunteering at Big Branch consists of 3 hours of work clearing trails and general garden maintenance, followed by play, light lunch and an optional, facilitated canoe outing on Bayou Lacombe. Equipment provided. Call for reservations.

Bayou Gardens Open House Presented by the Friends of Louisiana Wildlife Refuges, New Orleans Camellia Club, and U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Bayou Lacombe Centre 61389 Hwy 434, Lacombe (985) 882-2000

www.fws.gov/southeastlouisiana Hours: 9am-3pm Admission: Free

► Enjoy camellia season at historic Bayou Gardens on the grounds of Bayou Lacombe Centre. Guest speakers, demos, displays, garden tours, refreshments, plant sales. New exhibits in the Visitor Center.

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"Date Night" with NPAS

Abita Quail Farm 23185 Hwy. 435, Abita Springs (985) 792-1392 www.npas.info Hours: 7:30pm Fri, 3pm Sun Admission: \$20

► The Northlake Performing Arts Society ensembles perform songs with love themes.

Beethoven Meets the Wild West Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic

400 Westchester Blvd., Slidell

(504) 523-6530 www.lpomusic.com Hours: 7:30pm Admission: \$20-37

▶ In this "Beethoven and Blue Jeans" performance, guest conductor **Timothy Muffitt** leads the LPO in performing Gioachino Rossini's William Tell Overture, selections from the cowboythemed ballet, Rodeo, with Aaron Copland's Corral Nocturne and Hoe Down, and Beethoven's Symphony

No. 6 Pastoral. Feb. 24

"Paddling Along the Edge" **Canoe Tours**

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Bayou Lacombe Center 61389 Hwy 434, Lacombe (985) 882-2015 www.fws.gov/refuge/Big_Branch_ Marsh

Hours: 9am-noon Admission: Free, registration required

► Free naturalist-led canoe tours. See native wildlife and explore the cultural history of the edge of Lake Pontchartrain while paddling a coastal bayou from forest to marshland. All equipment and canoes provided. Designed for adults, but children 5 and up admitted. Must be prepared to paddle for 2-3 hours.

March 3

Covington Art Market

Art Alley at STAA 320 N. Columbia St. (985) 892-8650 www.sttammanyartassociation.org

Hours: 9am-1pm ► Works by local artists at juried outdoor market.

March 4

Madisonville Garden Club Show S. Water St., Tchefuncte Riverfront

and Madisonville Town Hall 403 St. Francis St., Madisonville (985) 427-1835

Hours: 10am-2pm Admission: Free

► Vendors sell trees, shrubs, flowering plants, vegetables, herbs, blueberries, and a variety of garden products, furniture, décor, etc. Hourly seminars by master gardeners at Town Hall

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Historic Dew Drop Concert

430 Lamarque St., Mandeville www.dewdropiazzhall.com (985) 869-2217

Hours: 6:30-9pm Admission: \$10 at the door

▶ Live music at 19th-century jazz hall. Full spring lineup announced on website.

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Mona Fest

Olde Towne Slidell www.monalisaandmoonpie.com Hours: 7pm

Admission: free

► The parade of Mona Lisa and Moonpie features costumed marchers, dancing clubs, music and more, and the eclectic krewe's signature throw, the Moonpie.

March 11

St. Patrick's Day Parade

Olde Towne Slidell (985) 646-4375 www.myslidell.com Hours: 12pm

Admission: Free

► Throws include thousands of cabbages, onions, potatoes and carrots to make Irish stew. Plus, ramen, fruits, beads and toys. Follows traditional Slidell parade route.

St. Patrick's Day Parade **Downtown Covington** (985) 892-1873 www.covla.com Hours: TBA Admission: Free

► Walking parade through Covington's historic St. John District.

March 16

Sunset at the Landing Concert Columbia Street Landing,

Covington (985) 892-1873 www.covla.com Hours: 6-9pm

Admission: Free ► The popular outdoor concert series returns in the first concert of the series. Performers to be announced.

Mandeville Live! Free Friday **Concert Series**

Mandeville Trailhead Amphitheater 675 Lafitte St., Mandeville (985) 624-3147 www.cityofmandeville.com Admission: Free Hours: 6:30pm Fridays in March and April.

► Grab your blankets and chairs and join the City of Mandeville for a free outdoor concert.

LPO: Pines of Rome and Béla Fleck

First Baptist Church, 16333 Hwy. 1085, Covington (504) 523-6530 www.lpomusic.org Hours: 7:30 p.m. Admission: \$20-55

► Banjoist Béla Fleck joins the LPO in performing Respighi's *Pines* of Rome, Carreño's Margariteña, and premieres his Banjo Concerto, newly commissioned by the LPO in honor of the New Orleans Tricentennial. Conducted by José Luis Gomez. Includes free pre-concert talk at 6:30 p.m.

March 16-17

Northshore Garden Show

St. Tammany Parish Fairgrounds LSU Ag Center 1304 N. Columbia St., Covington (985) 875-2635 www.lsuagcenter.com Hours: 8am-4pm

Admission: \$5, Free for 12 and ► The LSU AgCenter and the

St. Tammany Master Gardeners present their annual garden show and plant sale at the St. Tammany Parish Fairgrounds in Covington. Dozens of exhibitors, featuring plant material and garden supplies for sale. Demos, a plant health clinic, children's activities, food concessions.

March 17

Abita Springs Opry Abita Springs Town Hall, 22161

Level Street (985) 892-0711 www.abitaopry.org
Hours: Doors open at 5:45pm; Show 7-9pm Admission: \$18

▶ Performers to be announced. The popular Opry series celebrates Louisiana roots music in all its guises.

Abita Springs Art & Farmers Market Abita Spring Trailhead

22049 Main St. (985) 807-4447 12pm-4pm Sun www.townofabitasprings.com

► Fresh produce, seafood, poultry, prepared and baked goods, local honey, arts and crafts, homemade soaps and plants; live

Camellia City Farmers Market 1808 Front St., Olde Towne Slidell (985) 640-7112 www.camelliacitymarket.org

8am-12pm Sat

▶ Local produce, prepared foods, arts and crafts. Live music.

Covington Farmers Market (985) 966-1786

www.covingtonfarmersmarket.org 8am-12pm Sat at 609 Columbia St. 10am-2pm Wed at 419 N. New Hampshire

▶ Vegetables, fruit, dairy, meats, herbs, honey, baked and prepared foods, soaps and potted plants; live music, cooking demonstrations and food trucks.

Folsom Village Market

Next to Capital One Bank, 13401 June St. (Hwy 40 E) (985) 507-6496 www.villageoffolsom.com 9am-1pm every second and fourth Saturday

► Local produce and prepared foods.

Lafitte Street Market 698 Lafitte St., Mandeville

(985) 630-2990 www.facebook.com/LafitteStreetMarket 4-8pm Thu and 9-1 Sat

▶ Fresh, local meats, vegetables, eggs and honey, coffee, spices, plants and more.

Mandeville Trailhead Community Market 675 Lafitte St., Mandeville (985) 624-3147

www.mandevilletrailheadmarket.com 9am-1pm Sat ► Handmade crafts, prepared foods, jellies

and plants. Live music. Pet adoptions sec-

ond Saturdays.

Second Saturday Art Walk

Downtown Covington art galleries Columbia, Boston and Rutland Streets (985) 892-1873

www.covla.com

6-9pm monthly on second Saturdays

▶ Galleries and shops display works by local, regional and national artists.

Sidewalk Saturdays Olde Towne Slidell

(985) 641-6316 www.slidellantiques.com 10am-5pm on Third Saturdays

► Enjoy sidewalk shopping and music as you stroll Olde Towne Slidell.

Columbia Street Block Party

200-500 blocks of Columbia, downtown Covington (985) 892-1873 www.covla.com 5:30-9pm final Fridays March-Oct.

► Free street party with classic cars, live music, family fun.





March 18

Chef Soirée 2018 presented by Youth Service Bureau

Covington Trailhead 419 N. New Hampshire St., Covington (985) 893-2570 www.chefsoiree.com Hours: 5-9pm

Admission: Call for ticket prices

► Taste specialties from scores of local restaurants and enjoy music and fireworks in the park. Benefits the Youth Service Bureau.

March 23

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www.cityofmandeville.com Admission: Free

Hours: 6:30pm Fridays in March and April.

► Grab your blankets and chairs and join the City of Mandeville for a free outdoor concert.

March 24

Abita Springs Earth Fest

Abita Springs Trailhead Park 22049 Main St. (985) 373-7851 www.abitapark.com Hours: 12-5pm Admission: Free

► Ecology-focused festival presented by Friends of the Park.

Historic Dew Drop Concert 430 Lamarque St., Mandeville

www.dewdropjazzhall.com (985) 869-2217 Hours: 6:30-9pm

Admission: \$10 at the door

► Live music at 19th-century jazz hall. Full spring lineup announced on website.

March 24-25

Olde Towne Slidell Antique

Spring Street Fair First, Second and Erlanger streets in Olde Towne Slidell (985) 641-6316

www.slidellantiques.com Hours: 10am-5pm each day Admission: Free

▶ 200 vendors offer antiques and collectibles. Food vendors, live music.

Jazz on the Bayou 26th Anniversary Celebration

Chateau Kole Estate (home of Gardner and Ronnie Kole, Slidell) (504) 524-5716 www.jazzonthebayou.com Hours: 3-7pm each day Admission: \$100

► Popular annual fundraiser benefiting STARC, Safe Harbor, Easter Seals of LA and Slidell Cultural Arts Society.

March 30

Columbia Street Block Party presented by the City of Jovington

200-500 blocks of Columbia Street, downtown Covington (985) 892-1873 www.covla.com

Hours: 5:30-9pm Admission: Free

▶ The first block party of 2018. Free family event featuring art exhibits, street fair with live entertainment, and classic cars.

March 31

Abita Springs Whole Town Garage Sale & Flea Market 22161 Level St., Abita Springs

(985) 892-0711 www.trailheadmuseum.org Hours: 8am-4pm Admission: Free

► Each year in March since 1994, hundreds of Abita Springs area residents have had their garage sale on the same day. Flea market at Town Hall. Some proceeds go toward various civic efforts.

2018 Mardi Gras PARADE SCHEDUL 2018 Mardi Gras

Louisiana's Northshore, St. Tammany Parish, is home to dozens of Mardi Gras parades, balls and related events. From raucous big truck parades to old New Orleans' traditional handcrafted floats, the Northshore's parades are family-friendly fun. Following is the St. Tammany Parish parade schedule for 2018. Schedule subject to change

SAT, JAN 6

St. John Fools of Misrule, Covington - 6pm www.foolsofmisrule.com

Marching parade founded in 2011. Led by a "Lord of Misrule," features flambeaux, brass band, costumed marchers. Starts and ends at Columbia Street Tap Room (434 N. Columbia), continues along Lockwood St. west to New Hampshire St., south to Walker Alley, north along Columbia St. "Feast of Fools"

SAT, JAN 27

for members at 4PM.

Krewe of Bilge, Slidell - 11am www.kreweofbilge.com

Boat parade founded in 1978. Parades along the canals of the Eden Isles subdivision. Starts at Marina Café on Harbor Drive and Robin's Dockside Wharf. Visit website for complete route. Theme: A Day at the Races.

Krewe of Poseidon, Slidell - 6pm

www.poseidonslidell.com

This co-ed krewe was founded in 2015 and rolls on the theme "Fright Night," depicting Dracula, Frankenstein, gargoyles, ghosts, werewolves and other scary creatures of the night. Has 560 members, 28 floats, marching bands and more. Starts at the intersection of Berkley Street and Spartan Drive, and follows a route northwest to Highway 11, northeast to Hwy 190, and east through town just past the intersection of 190 and Kensington Boulevard.

SUN, JAN 28

Krewe of Slidellians, Slidell - 1pm

www.slidellwomenscivicclub.org

Founded in 1947, the Slidell Women's Civic Club was formed to foster community service in eastern St. Tammany Parish and is open to the community for riders and sponsorships. Parades along Pontchartrain Drive from Spartan Drive to Hwy. 11. then along Front St. to Gause Blvd. and ending at Lindberg Drive. Theme: Denim and Diamonds.

Mystic Krewe of Perseus, Slidell - 1:30pm

www.kreweofperseus.com

Founded in 1970, Perseus hosts a 13-float parade with riders donning his or her own handmade costume. The Krewe's 170 members throw hand-decorated plastic crabs, crab beads, slap bracelets, and cups. Route loads up at Fritchie Park and begins at Salmen High School. Immediately follows Slidellians parade.

Krewe of Pearl River Lions Club, Pearl River - 1pm

This popular day parade is a wholetown celebration, with 12-15 floats, Pearl River High School band and clubs, churches, civic groups, and families. Begins at Pearl River High School and continues south on Highway 41, left onto Hwy. 11 and ending at the Pearl River Town Hall

on Willis Alley. Theme: America's Heroes.

FRI, FEB 2

Krewe of Eve, Mandeville - 7pm www.kreweofeve.com

The popular all-women krewe founded in 1985 rolls beautifully decorated Blaine Kern floats and over 400 members in elaborately decorated sweatshirts. The parade features an annual competition of local and out-of-state marching bands, fireworks, bubbles, and lots of throws for a fun family night. Starts near the junction of Hwy 22 and US 190 and follows W. Causeway Approach above Monroe St., crosses 190 and ends on E. Causeway Approach. Theme: Once Upon a Time.

SAT, FEB 3

Krewe de Paws of Olde Towne. Slidell - 10am

www.krewedepawsofoldetowne.

Slidell's Krewe for Canines donates any proceeds from its Olde Towne parade to various local animalloving non-profit organizations. The theme "To the Rescue!" celebrates pet rescues and adoptions with Superhero outfits and decorated wagons, strollers or carts.

Krewe of Push Mow, Abita Springs - 11am www.trailheadmuseum.org

Dozens of humorously themed homemade floats, many based on lawn equipment, take part in this rousing cruise through the heart of town. Lasts about an hour, finishing with an after-party disco at the Trailhead plaza. Starts at Abita Middle School down Main Street to Pine to Level; right turn before cafe onto Hickory, left on Main back to school. Roads leading into Abita Springs close about 10:45. Theme: Terrible New TV Channels.

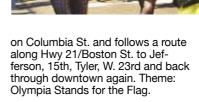
Krewe of Tchefuncte, Madisonville - 1pm www.kreweoftchefuncte.org

The colorful boats-only floating parade founded in 1973 cruises the Tchefuncte River, starting at Salty's Marina, then heads downriver and turns around to dock on both the north and south sides of the Hwy 22 bridge. King Neptune's Marching Society precedes the boat parade by marching down Water Street to the reviewing stand. Theme:The Krewe of Tchefuncte Celebrates a Pirate's Life.

Krewe of Olympia. Covington - 6pm

www.kreweofolympia.net

Founded in 1965, this 300-member Krewe is the oldest in St. Tammanv. Members ride 19 floats, trucks and horses interspersed with marching bands from across the Northshore. Features with lighted throws. Tulane University Marching Band, Disco Amigos, Laissez Boys and Budweiser Clydesdales. Starts in front of St. Tammany Parish Justice Center



Mystic Krewe of Titans, Slidell - 6:30pm

www.kreweoftitans.com

Comprised of 325 members, Titans was established in 2010 by a group of Carnival veterans who wanted to bring the merriment of Mardi Gras to the streets of Slidell in a highquality, family-oriented, nighttime parade. The only co-ed krewe that parades at night. Starts in Fritchie

SUN, FEB 4

Krewe of Dionysus, Slidell - 1pm

www.kreweofdionysus.com

The krewe's 250+ members celebrate Dionysus, also known as Bacchus, the god of wine. Parading through the streets of Slidell since 1985, it begins on Spartan Drive at Fritchie Park and travels to Pontchartrain Drive. Theme: Dionysus World Premiere.

FRI, FEB 9

Krewe of Selene, Slidell - 6:30pm

www.kreweofselene.net

Founded in 1998, this 400-member krewe has an 18-float procession on the theme "Selene Through 20 Years," depicting themes from past parades, including one dedicated to Queens and Kings of the past 20 years. Handmade, elaborately decorated purses are Selene's signature throw, plus lighted star wands and beads.

Original Krewe of Orpheus, Mandeville - 7pm

www.originalkreweoforpheus.com

The all-male krewe parades through the streets of Mandeville on floats illuminated by LEDs and street effects, with 9 different throws including beads, swords, lighted items and signature medallions. The official call and response of the hearty Krewe is: "HAIL ORPHEUS"
"HAIL YES." Theme: Orpheus Goes to the Movies.

SAT, FEB 10

Krewe of Bush, Bush - 9am www.kreweofbush.com

Fun parade of trucks, boats, floats, horses and ATV's held on the Saturday before Mardi Gras. Free for your krewe to ride, roll or walk - bring your own throws and line up by 8:30am. Paraders line-up at Bush

popular Rec Center **Push-Mow** on Hwy 41, Parade parade travels is Feb. 3. from Bush Cowart, Watts Thomas Rd. and Hwy. 41 returning

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TUESDAY, FEB. 13 **MARDI GRAS DAY**

to the recreation center.

Krewe of Covington Lions Club, Covington - 10am

The Covington Lions Club has brought the celebration of Mardi Gras to downtown Covington since 1959. Floats, marchers and music. Party at the trailhead with food booths, music and more after the parade. Follows the same route as the Krewe of Olympia.

Mystic Krewe of Covington, follows Lions

Founded in 1951 by the Knights of Columbus, this krewe was once called the "Krewe of KaaCee."

Krewe of Chahta, Lacombe - 1pm

Named for Chahta-Ima High School, which many of the founding members attended, is comprised of floats, cars, marching units and horse groups. Starts at the Morocco Room and follows US 190 north to 17th Street, Fish Hatchery Rd., and ends at Lacombe Nursing Home. Founded in 1989. Theme: Spirit of the Wind.

Krewe of Folsom, Folsom - 1:30pm

This eclectic krewe parades floats, vintage autos, trucks and tractors, ATVs. RVs. horses and horsedrawn wagons. Starts and ends at Magnolia Park at 13296 LA-40 near Olive St. and follows to Cleveland, along Hwy. 25 to Jackson St. and back. The parade is dedicated to Gus and Pam Michalopoulos. Theme: Television Series, Starts and ends at Magnolia Park, 13296 LA-40 near Olive St., and follows to Cleveland, along Hwy. 25 to Jackson St. and back.

SUN, FEB 18

Mystic Krewe of Mardi Paws, Mandeville - 2 pm

www.mardipaws.com Held one week AFTER Mardi Gras,

this pooch parade features dogs in costume sashaying along the Mandeville lakefront. The parade helps raise funds for area animal agencies supported by the lan Somerhalder Foundation. Founded in 1999. Theme Fables, Fairy Tales and Nursery Rhymes.



The Northshore hosts scores of festivals and other celebrations year-round. You can get a detailed look at what's coming up this quarter in the Calendar of Events on pages 10 and 11. But for a year-long glimpse for planning purposes, here's a quick rundown of what happens when. You also can always check our online Calendar for the most up-to-the-minute info: www.LouisianaNorthshore.com

MORTHSHORE PLANNER

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MARDI GRAS is celebrated on Louisiana's Northshore as in the rest of southern Louisiana – with 'krewes' parading over about a two-week period. Some of our krewes parade on parish streets and others take to the waterways in lavish boat parades. It's great family fun.

Come hunt treasure on the streets of the cute little town of Abita at the ABITA SPRINGS WHOLE TOWN GARAGE SALE AND FLEA MARKET. Held in late March. Watch our online Calendar for more info.

SPRING FOR ART features original fine art, live music, shopping and fine dining in the historic St. John District of downtown Covington.

Sign up for **CHEF SOIREE**, held each March in Covington, for tastes from more than 85 area restaurants and food purveyors.

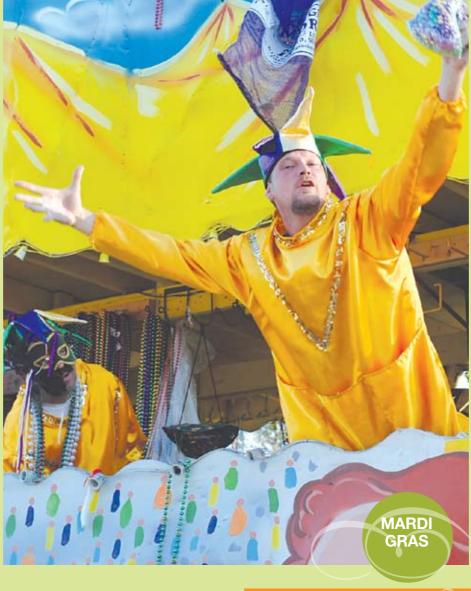
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The Covington culinary scene is showcased each April with A TASTE OF COVINGTON, a four-day wine and food event with vintners' dinners, wine tastings, a champagne brunch and more.

The SLIDELL ANTIQUE DISTRICT FAIR showcases antiques, arts and crafts, good food and family-friendly activities.

THE GREAT LOUISIANA BIRDFEST is held every spring when many bird species are migrating north from Mexico and South America. The Birdfest is hosted by the Northlake Nature Center.

Spicy boiled crawfish are cause for celebration each spring with the **CRAWFISH COOKOFF** held in Slidell in April.



All bikes are welcome at the **LOUISIANA BICYCLE FESTIVAL**. Come see and ride homebuilt, vintage and custom bikes. Swap meet. Art bikes. A fun ride on the Tammany Trace. Usually held the Saturday before Father's Day.

Come out to Madisonville in May for the festive sight of crews rowing toward victory in the GREATER NEW ORLEANS INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL.

JULYAUGSEPT ©

Catch live music, games, food booths and fireworks across the Northshore in 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATIONS.

Go wild with MAYOR FREDDY
DRENNAN'S WILD GAME COOK-OFF,
held in September in Slidell.
Thirty-plus teams compete for
honors in five categories, and ticketholders get to sample it all.

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Hundreds of wooden boats line the Tchefuncte River one weekend each October for the MADISONVILLE WOODEN BOAT FESTIVAL, the largest gathering of watercraft on the Gulf Coast. Races, boat-building classes, fun events, food.

FALL FOR ART features original fine art, live music, shopping and dining in downtown Covington.

SLIDELL ANTIQUE DISTRICT STREET FAIR features antiques, arts and crafts, good food and family-friendly activities.

Downtown Covington's Columbia Street turns into an arts mall with the THREE RIVERS ARTS FESTIVAL, a juried art show that attracts 50,000 visitors each year. Food, activities and lots of shopping for works by some of the region's best artists and artisans.

Celebrate the holidays with exhibits, caroling, a fireworks display and rides at **HOLIDAY OF LIGHTS** in Mandeville at the Tammany Trace.

The laser light show at **WINTER ON THE WATER** is sure to delight at Winter on the Water along Lakeshore Drive and at the Mandeville Trailhead. Events, boat parade and more.

Come see CHRISTMAS UNDER THE STARS, Slidell's seven-day celebration of lights, holiday decorations, entertainment, a parade of trees, storytelling and Santa.









BEHOLD THE PRALINE

First things first. It's PRAWleen. Pronouncing praline PRAYleen will tag you as a tourist quicker than wearing a NY Mets ball cap. (Not that a polite Southerner would tell you you're saying it wrong.) Once you've tasted a praline, though, you belong.

The praline originated in France, as a candy of caramelized sugar and almonds, but Louisiana ingredients and culture put a different spin on it. Brought to Louisiana in the 1700s, the recipe evolved to call for pecans, brown sugar, butter and a little cream. In New Orleans, in the 19th century, pralines were often made then sold by enterprising African-American women on the streets of the French Quarter to make money. The Quarter today is home to numerous candy shops selling pralines, perhaps the city's most popular souvenir.

Here on the Northshore, pralines are made the old-fashioned way by talented candymakers at Bayou Country General Store in Slidell. You smell that incredible aroma as you walk in the door. Display cases are filled with trays of beautiful pralines. Original. Peanut butter. Chocolate. Rum. The Turtle: an original dressed up with caramel and a drizzle of chocolate. You're going to want one of those. But try the original first; it's classic and the most popular for a reason. Sweet, but somehow not cloying. Nutty. Creamy. The candy holds its shape yet, softly, almost melts in your mouth.

With so few ingredients, you might think pralines are simple to make. But any home cook who's ever tried a batch quickly realizes that skill is required. Once the ingredients have been added together in a pot or large candy kettle, you have to stir, stir, stir. Careful not to let crystals form on



Ms. Terri makes pralines at Bavou Country.

the sides of the pot, careful not to burn. Soon as the candy reaches the proper stage you frantically work to drop spoonfuls of the molten confection onto a hard surface, such as a marble slab. The little sugary puddles solidify quickly. You have only minutes before the candy becomes unworkable

Bayou Country, located just off Interstate 10 (Oak Harbor exit 261 in Slidell), is a giant emporium of Louisiana-themed products, housewares, souvenir items and even toys. Visitors love wandering the aisles, picking up gator Christmas ornaments, gumbo bowls and Cajun cookbooks. In addition to the pralines, Bayou Country also makes in house its own Cajun Mayo, four praline dessert toppings, candied pecans and more. The store's Cajun Crunch popcorn, a luxe take on Cracker Jack with pecan brittle and chocolate, is addicting.

But the store's pralines are the headliner. Its kitchen turns out hundreds a day to meet the demand. The candy cases are the first thing you see when you come in and the last thing you see on the way out. Samples on the counter get everyone's attention. Nibbler, beware: One bite, and you're hooked. You're going to be taking some of these babies home.



How to eat like a local

WONDERING WHAT THOSE STRANGE MENU TERMS MEAN?

ne glance at a menu here and you know you're in Louisiana even if you aren't familiar with the dishes. Here's a brief Louisiana culinary lexicon to help you decipher local menus:

BARBECUED SHRIMP

Forget shrimp on the barbie or any images you might have of grilled shrimp with barbecue sauce. Here, barbecued shrimp means shrimp left in the shell and almost submerged in a garlickly, peppery butter sauce. It's messy. It's fattening. It's okay; live a little.

A long sandwich on crusty French bread, the po-boy really isn't the same as a submarine or a hoagie, but it can be ordered with a variety of fillings. Among the favorites are fried oysters, fried shrimp and roast beef, featuring long-simmered beef, sliced and slathered in gravy. Order it 'dressed' which means with lettuce, tomato and pickle.

MUFFULETTA

Picture this: several layers of ham, salami and Provolone cheese topped with chopped olive salad served on a large, round, crusty Italian bread. Pronounced moof-a-lotta regardless of the spelling, this sandwich is a delicious handful and usually serves two or more people.

GUMBO

Though gumbo has popped up on menus across the U.S., you're not likely to get the real thing outside of south Louisiana unless it's cooked by a transplanted native. A dark, flavorful soup, real gumbo takes a long time to cook and requires a little voodoo to do properly; most gumbos are variations on



two themes — seafood and chicken and sausage. Served with rice, it can be light brown or dark as swamp water.

Meaning coated in bread crumbs or dredged in flour and pan-fried in butter, as in paneed veal, chicken, frogs' legs or oysters.

TURTLE SOUP

A New Orleans classic, turtle soup these days often is made with chicken (so ask your server if it's the real thing), but usually is a dark, flavorful soup enhanced by a dash of sherry added at the table.

COCHON DE LAIT

Suckling pig is a favorite at Cajun family celebrations. Moist and flavorful, it's tender and, at its best, redolent of garlic. The cochon de lait po-boy is a favorite at the New Orleans Jazz Fest and rarely served in restaurants but occasionally you get lucky.



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(985) 796-4700

breakfast menu.

▶ Pizza, burgers, ice cream, and other family favorites. Seafood and steak specials Thurs -Sat. Kids menu, Sunday buffet.

LACOMBE

Alice's Restaurant 28505 Hwy. 190

daily. Open for dinner Fridays for all-you-can-eat catfish. All day breakfast.

(985) 882-7575

seafood, po-boys, pizza, burgers and more.

Chinese dishes. Lunch buffet.

27207 Hwy. 190

Try the Trout Meuniére. Full bar.

La Provence 25020 Hwy. 190 (985) 626-7662

www.laprovencerestaurant.com

► Chef Eric Hunter and Jennifer Pittman Hunter continue this Northshore landmark's dedication to showcasing fresh, local and seasonal ingredients in the lovely country French-style setting. On-site farm. Reservations recommended. Sunday brunch.

Navarro's

27718 Main St. (985) 218-9800

► Traditional menu of authentic Mexican flavors. Original dishes, ceviche. Desserts.

Sal and Judy's

27491 Hwy. 190 (985) 882-9443 www.salandjudys.com

► Creole Italian cuisine from Chef Sal Impastato, served in an intimate country setting. A longtime locals' favorite. Full bar.

Rocko's Chicken & Donuts

64041 Hwy. 434 (985) 882-8345

www.rockoschicken.com

► Homestyle breakfast, lunch and dinner with weekday lunch specials. Cajun favorites plus burgers, chicken fingers, fried fish.

MADISONVILLE

Coquille's River & Rye 100 Marina del Ray Drive (985) 206-5629

▶ Dine indoors or out at this waterfront café for lunch, dinner or Sunday brunch. Seafood, gourmet burgers, po-boys, salads and tacos. Full bar. Live music Wednesdays and weekends.

Crabby Shack & Po-boys 305 Covington St. (985) 845-2348

▶ Popular spot for boiled and fried seafood, po-boys, burgers, salads and gumbo.

Empa Taco 101 Hwy. 22 W (985) 792-7157 www.empataco.com

► Gourmet empanadas, tacos, arepas, tamales, desserts.

Impastato Cellars

240 Hwy. 22 E (985) 845-4445

www.impastatocellars.com

► Restaurant with a modern twist on classic Italian, huge wine cellar, wine tastings. Daily dinner specials.

www.keithyoungs.net

► Longtime favorite for quality steaks, chops, and seafood.

304 Hwy. 22 W (985) 792-9090

► Fresh and boiled seafood and fish, year-round and in-season. Prepared foods, hogshead cheese and variety of sausages.

Lighthouse Pizza & Daiquiris

(985) 792-3058 www.lighthousepizza22.com

► Hand-tossed pizza, daiquiris, beer and wine. Hot boiled peanuts and boudin, too.

Morton's Seafood Restaurant &

www.mortonsseafood.com

► Fresh seafood and oysters on the half-shell. Restaurant's "Hot Boiled Seafood" sign is an icon of the Tchefuncte riverfront. Full bar.

304 Hwy. 22 W (985) 845-4446

ing lunch and dinner. Seafood, sandwiches, steaks, pasta, salads, and kids' menu.

Pad Thai Authentic Thai Cuisine 302 Hwy 22 (985) 845-1888

► Pad Thai, noodle and rice dishes, curries, soups, salads and desserts.

Skooter's Grill & Yogurt 109 Hwy. 22 W

(985) 845-7221

▶ Burgers, chicken, seafood, salads, chili dogs, kids' menu, daily specials.

Water Street Bistro

804 Water St. (985) 845-3855 www.waterstreetbistromadisonville.

► Chef Tony Monroe serves contemporary Louisiana cuisine, including fish, veal, duck, filet, lamb, pasta, seafood and salads. Sunday brunch. On the Tchefuncte riverfront.

MANDEVILLE

Another Beautiful Day

1709 N. Causeway Blvd. (985) 626-3460

► Healthy alternative eating. Try the turkey salad sandwich.

Another Broken Egg 1901 Hwy 190

(985) 951-2246 www.anotherbrokenegg.com

► Omelets, benedicts, burgers, sandwiches, pastries and unique breakfast dishes. Cocktails and coffees. Kids menu.

Barley Oak

2101 Lakeshore Drive (985) 727-7420 www.thebarleyoak.com

► This "biergarten" offers more than 150 beers, sausage and cheese platters and a great view of the lake. Dog friendly.

Bateau's Seafood

69282 Hwy. 59 (985) 871-8200 www.bateausseafood.com

► Carry-out po-boys and sandwiches, specializing in boiled and live seafood, including spicy crawfish and crabs.

Beach House Bar & Grill

124 Girod St. (985) 624-9331

www.thebeachhousemandeville.com

► Laid back bar and grill serves "eclectic beach food." Kona Coffee Shop on site. Live music. Great patio. Dog friendly. Block from the lakefront.

Bistro Byronz

1901 Hwy. 190 (985) 951-7595

www.bistrobyronzmandeville.com

► Sophisticated southern food. Weekly specials, Tuesday martini night. Full bar.

Blent Juice Bar

1943 Lakeshore Dr. (985) 778-2670 Facebook.com/blentiuicebar

► Organic, locally-sourced raw juices and smoothies, gluten-free pastries and Kona coffee. Ice cream

BOP'S Frozen Custard

2660 Florida St. (985) 727-5003

www.bopsfrozencustard.com ► Sandwiches and burgers, but save room for BOP'S specialty

Bosco's Italian Café

2040 Hwy. 59, Stes. D & E (985) 624-5066 | (985) 778-2740 www.boscositalian.com

old-fashioned frozen custard.

► Classic Italian well-done. Pasta, salads, seafood, popular muffuletta, and New York style pizza, calzones and stromboli. Dining rooms, bar.

Boudreaux's Boudin and Cajun Meats

4628 Hwy. 22 (985) 845-5001

www.boudreauxcajunmeats.com ► Louisiana specialties at this fam-

ily-owned shop, including boudin, cracklins, Turduckens, smoked meats and seafood.



Fried oyster po-boys are just the start at Crabby Shack in

Bourré Restaurant & Bar 22 St. Ann Drive

(985) 778-2601 www.bourrerestaurant.com

► Louisiana cuisine with fresh, local ingredients. Steaks, seafood,

tapas, inventive salads and starters.

Café 985

Sunday brunch.

1200 W. Causeway Approach (985) 778-2822 www.cafe985.com

► Coffees, teas and specialty drinks; panini, wraps and pastries. Entertainment. Open late on week-

Café Lynn

2600 Florida St. (985) 624-9007 www.cafelynn.com

▶ French and Creole cuisine from chef/owner Joey Najolia. Try the French Onion tart, pan-seared scallops or Steak au Poivre. Lunch and dinner.

The Candy Bank

201 Carroll St. (985) 778-2750 www.thecandybank.com

► Nostalgic candy store and ice cream parlor in an historic bank building one block from the lake. Choose from among hundreds of confections, from decadent chocolates to jars of jelly beans. Get a mocha latte to go or relax with an old-fashioned soda on the wraparound patio.

Ceasar's Ristorante 408 N. Causeway

(985) 951-2626

▶ Popular spot for Northern Italian specialties. Pastas, panini and much more.

Chicken Salad Chick 3803 LA-22

(985) 778-2670

► Chicken salad by the scoop or on a sandwich. Sides, salads, soups. Kids menu. Vegetarian and gluten free options.

Coffee Rani

3517 Hwy. 190 (985) 674-0560 www.coffeerani.com

► Entrée salads, grilled sandwiches, seafood and pasta. Pastries. Covington location, too.

Comeback Burger

2999 Hwy. 190 E. (985) 951-2222 www.comebackburger.com

► Hamburgers, sandwiches, salads and shakes. Lunch and dinner daily and Sunday brunch.

Coscino's Italian Grill

1809 N. Causeway Blvd. (985) 727-4984 www.coscinositaliangrill.com

► New York-style hand-tossed pizza, calzones and other Italian specialties, burgers and wraps. Bythe-slice specials and live music/ open mike Wed-Fri.

Country Kitchen Restaurant 2109 Florida St. (985) 626-5375

► Omelets, traditional breakfasts, hot lunches and a buffet of homestyle dishes.

Creole Tomateaux 1851 Florida St.

(985) 951-2650

► Seafood, burgers, wraps, soups and classic Louisiana favorites.

Cupcake Concept 2 St. Ann Drive #4

Dine in or carry out.

(985) 624-3456 www.cupcakeconcept.com ► Cupcakes and more cupcakes.

Duman Artisan Kitchen

821 Girod St. (985) 231-7663 www.dumanartisankitchen.com

► Gourmet pizzas, salads, unique appetizers, and Italian sodas.

Dr. Gumbo's New Orleans Cuisine

1997 Surgi Drive (985) 624-3818 www.drgumbos.com

► Frozen, prepared to go Louisiana seafood specialties. Gumbo, shrimp Creole, etouffé, red beans & rice.

El Paso Mexican Grill

3410 Hwy. 190 (985) 624-2345 www.elpasomex.com

► Wide variety of mesquite-grilled, Tex-Mex dinners and a la carte. Soups, salads, vegetarian; burgers, ribs and seafood. Kids menu, full bar. Second location in Slidell.

Fazzio's Restaurant and Bar

1841 N. Causeway Blvd. (985) 624-9704 www.fazziosrestaurant.com

► Casual dining with specialty in Italian dishes and seafood.

Fat Spoon Café

(985) 809-2929 www.fatspooncafe.com

▶ Breakfast and lunch. Specialty dishes, salads, po-boys and burg-

Forks and Corks

141 Terra Bella Blvd. (985) 273-3663 www.forksandcorkscovington.com

► American fare with a touch of Creole-French using local ingredients. Full bar. Monthly wine dinners.

George's Mexican Restaurant

1461 N. Causeway Blvd. (985) 626-4342 www.georgesmexicanrestaurant.

► Authentic Tex-Mex. Familyowned. Full bar.

Gio's Villa Vancheri 690 Lafitte St. (985) 624-2597

www.giosvillavancheri.com

► Italian specialties on the classic

menu. Upstairs restaurant, downstairs tapas bar.

► Lunch daily, dinner Tue-Sat. Full

Honeybaked Ham

3439 Hwy. 190 (985) 624-4005

www.honeybakedonline.com

► Sandwiches. Ham, turkey, sides to go.

Hong Kong Restaurant

890 Lafayette St. (985) 626-7181

► Chinese specialties, including Shrimp with Lobster Sauce. Lunch specials.

Iron Pelican Bistro

2625 Florida St. (985) 778-2183

www.theironpelicanbistro.com

► Cajun, Creole and Italian dishes, salads and soups by Chef Gerald Wicker.

Isabella's Pizzeria II

2660 Florida St.

(985) 674-5700 ► Fresh salads, wraps, calzones, pastas and pizzas.

The Italian Pie

4350 Hwy. 22 (985) 626-5252 www.italianpie.com

► Pizza's the specialty at this casual spot.

Johnny & Joyce's 1461 N. Causeway Blvd.

(985) 727-7727 ► Louisiana specialties including po-boys, seafood platters and boiled crawfish in season.

K. Gee's Restaurant and Oyster

Bar 2534 Florida St. (985) 626-0530 www.kgeesrestaurant.com

► Louisiana seafood, soups, salads and sandwiches. Great fried catfish. Daily specials. Housemade desserts. Live music Friday nights.

Kazoku Sushi

1680 Hwy. 59 (985) 626-8118

www.kazokusushibar.com ► Sushi, sashimi, tempura, soups, noodle dishes and gyoza. Lunch specials.

Kiki's Pho Saigon

2890 E Causeway Approach (985) 674-8802 www.kikisphosaigon.com

► Spring rolls, dumplings, salads, noodle soups and rice plates. Bubble teas.

Kim Hibachi Sushi Bar and Grill 322 Dalwill Drive

(985) 778-2160 ► Hibachi dinners, noodle dishes, soups. Daily lunch specials, kids menu.

La Carreta 1200 W. Causeway Approach

(985) 624-2990 www.carretarestaurant.com Authentic Mexican specialties. Full bar.

La Herradura Mexican Grill & Bar 643 Lotus Drive N (985) 951-2099 ► Authentic Mexican specialties.

Full bar. La Lou

200 Girod St. (985) 231-7125 www.doyoulalou.com

► Café near Mandeville lakefront offers omelets and other breakfast and lunch items. Full bar.

La Madeleine French Bakery &

3434 Hwy. 190 (985) 626-7004 www.lamadeleine.com

► Fresh baked breads. Salads, sandwiches, soups, quiches and pastries.





Keith Young's Steak House 165 Hwy. 21 (985) 845-9940

Lama's Seafood

101 Hwy 22 W

Bar 702 Water St.

(985) 845-4970

Orlando's Seafood

WHERE TO

Lago Mexican Restaurant

2660 Florida St. (985) 674-7602

► Traditional Mexican favorites. Drink specials, kids menu.

The Lakehouse

2025 Lakeshore Drive (985) 626-3006 www.lakehousecuisine.com

▶ Upscale dining in historic house and lovely patio overlooking Mandeville's lakefront. Reservations recommended. Lunch and dinner Thurs-Fri, brunch Sun. Full bar. Closed Saturday.

Lama's St. Roch Family **Restaurant & Market** 301 Lafitte St.

(985) 951-2135 www.strochmandeville.com

► Seafood market and classic New Orleans-style cuisine in historic former bakery. Po-boys by Bear's. Gumbo, fried seafood, burgers, and salads, family-friendly, dine inside or out. Bar.

Leonardo's Trattoria & Pizzeria 2625 Florida St.

(985) 778-2550 ▶ New. Authentic Sicilian dishes by Chef Leonardo Giarraputo served in a friendly atmosphere. Bar, kids

Little Tokyo

menu.

590 Asbury Drive (985) 727-1532 www.littletokyosushi.com

▶ Japanese cuisine and a sushi bar.

Liu's Wok

1665 Dove Park Rd. (985) 898-0022

► Szechuan, Hunan and popular Chinese dishes. Dinner specials.

Live Fit Smoothies 3925 Hwy. 59

(985) 400-5227

www.livefitsmoothies.com ► Smoothies and juices, plus wraps, salads, coffees and gluten-

Liz's Where Y'at Diner

2500 Florida St. (985) 626-8477

free treats.

www.lizswhereyatdiner.com

▶ Breakfast and lunch 7 days a week. Great omelets and scramblers. Popular, feel-good spot offers daily lunch specials, crabcakes, shrimp remoulade and fried green tomato salad, sandwiches and more.

Mandeville Seafood Market & **Eatery** 2020 Hwy. 59

(985) 624-8552 www.mandevilleseafoodmarket.

► Fresh, boiled seafood, prepared foods, gumbo, po-boys, burgers and salads. Dine-in, carry out and catering.

Mande's Restaurant

340 N. Causeway Approach (985) 626-9047 www.mandesrestaurant.com

► Breakfast and lunch daily. Cajun and Creole seafood plates sandwiches, salads and soups.

Mandina's Restaurant

4240 Hwy. 22 (985) 674-9883

www.mandinasrestaurant.com

► Northshore outpost of a New Orleans institution, Mandina's serves Creole-Italian specialties and seafood dishes. Full bar.

Marco's Pizza

4638 Hwy. 22 (985) 845-4141 www.marcos.com

► Specialty pizzas, fresh baked subs, baked dishes, salads and chicken wings.

McClain's Pizzeria

115 Girod St. (985) 778-0955 www.mcclainspizzeria.com

► Family-owned eatery near the lakefront serves pizza, calzones, pasta, sandwiches and salads. Lunch and dinner.

Megumi Sushi

4700 Hwy. 22 (985) 845-1644 www.megumirestaurant.net

► Large selection of sushi and rolls, and Yakimono grill.

Mi Mamacita's New Mexican Cuisine

2345 Florida St. (985) 674-1400

► Mexican fare,Äîand margaritas, Äîin a family-friendly atmosphere.

Monster Po-Boys 1814 N. Causeway Blvd. (985) 626-9183

► Daily lunch specials, po-boys, salads, fresh fried seafood and sugar-free menu.

Nan's New Orleans Café & Poboys

700 Florida St. (985) 951-2586 www.nanscafe.com

► Cajun and Creole dishes with lots of sides, seafood platters, po-boys, panini and salads.

Neely's Pizzeria

4700 Hwy 22 #17 (985) 792-7909 www.neelyspizzeria.com

► Stone oven-baked pizzas, calzones, Stromboli, salads and specialty creations.

New Orleans Hamburger & Seafood Co.

3900 Hwy. 22 E. (985) 624-8035 www.nohsc.com

► Casual dining featuring burgers, thin fried catfish, entrée salads and regional specialties.

Nonna Randazzo's Italian Bakery & Caffé

22022 Marshall Rd. (985) 898-2444

www.nonnarandazzo.com

► Full-service Italian bakery and café featuring specialty coffees, as well as antipasti, panini and insalatas. King cakes during Mardi Gras season.

N'tini's

2891 Hwy. 190 (985) 626-5566

▶ Upscale dining spot for American and Louisiana fare, crafted cocktails and wine.

Nuvolari's

246 Girod St. (985) 626-5619 www.nuvolaris.com

▶ Upscale Italian cuisine, featuring fresh fish and nightly seafood specials served in a romantic atmosphere near the lakefront. Dinner only. Full bar.

Old Rail Brewing Company 639 Girod St.

(985) 612-1828

www.oldrailbrewery.com

▶ Brew pub with creative surf and turf, salads, sandwiches, soups and desserts. Kids' menu. Housebrewed beers.

The Original Mutt's Restaurant 1814 N. Causeway Blvd., Ste. 2 (985) 778-0833

► Po-boys, gourmet burgers, Gulf fish and fried seafood platters. Kids

Pat Gallagher's 527 Restaurant & Bar

527 N. Causeway Blvd. (985) 778-2820

► The popular local chef's latest Northshore location (see Gallagher's in Covington) serves French and Creole specialties, including bone-in filets, ruby red trout, and fried oysters with andouille sausage. Dinner, plus lunch Thursday and Friday.

The Po-boy Company

1817 N. Causeway Blvd. (985) 778-2460 1680 Hwy. 59 (985) 951-2120

► Sandwiches, burgers, seafood and salads for lunch or dinner. Kids menu.

El Rancho Mexican Grill 1665 Dove Park Rd., Ste. 400

(985) 867-5261

www.elranchomexicangrills.com

► Traditional Mexican dinners, seafood, tacos and small plates. Lunch specials, full bar, and kids' menus.

Red Apple Asian Cuisine 4350 Hwy. 22 #E

(985) 626-3373 www.redapplemandeville.com

▶ Popular Szechuan, Hunan and Asian dishes. Kids menu.

Rimal Lebanese Restaurant &

1703 N. Causeway Blvd. (985) 778-2667

► Mediterranean shawarma and kabobs seafood, steaks and vegetarian options. Open daily for lunch and dinner.

Rips on the Lake

1917 Lakeshore Drive (985) 727-2829

www.ripsonthelake.com

► Longtime Northshore favorite features Louisiana fare from chef/owner Roslyn Prieto and a great lakefront location. Dine inside or on the porch overlooking Lake Pontchartrain. Full bar.

Rusty Pelican 500 Girod St.

(985) 778-0364

► Crab cakes, seafood fried, grilled and blackened, sandwiches, salads.

Sake Gardens Japanese Restaurant

1705 N. Hwy. 190 (985) 624-8955

► Sushi, sashimi, soups, salads and tempura. Lunch specials and a la carte.

The Salad Station

1291 N. Causeway Blvd. (985) 624-5558

www.thesaladstation.com ► Salad bar, soup bar and "spud" bar with over 80 items. Covington location, too.

Sawasdee Thai Cuisine

4250 Hwy. 22, Ste. B (985) 626-3577 www.sawasdeethaicuisinela.com

► Curries, salads, noodle soups, rolls, and stir fry and signature seafood dishes.

Shack de Ville

2020 Woodrow St. (985) 629-4003

► Southern snoballs, ice cream and gourmet hot dogs. Full service bike rentals, too. Located across from the Mandeville Trailhead of the Tammany Trace.

Sticks-N-Bones Bar-B-Que

1770 Hwy 59 (985) 951-2277

► Smoked brisket, chicken, ribs, meat pies and sausages with all the

Swegs Kitchen

4350 Hwy. 22, Ste. H (985) 951-2064 www.swegskitchen.com

► Health food market, open daily. Grab-and-go prepared meals, small dine-in area.

Thai Pepper

1625 Hwy. 190 (985) 674-8588 www.thaipepper.com

► Classic Thai fare. Stir fry, noodle and curry dishes, plus soups, salads. Kids menu. Closed Mondays.

Times Bar & Grill

1896 N. Causeway Blvd. (985) 626-1161 www.timesgrill.com

► Hamburgers, sandwiches and wings. Full bar. Slidell location, too.

Trey Yuen Cuisine of China 600 N. Causeway Approach (985) 626-4476

www.treyyuen.com ► Culinary creations from the Wong

brothers combine local seafood with Chinese seasoning and technique. Lovely pagoda setting. Full bar.



Regional flavors shine at Mandeville's popular Lama's St. Roch restaurant.

Triple Nickel Grill

813 Florida St. (985) 626-9989 www.triplenickelgrill.com

► Tasty burgers, chicken, seafood and other grilled American fare.

Twin Sushi

200 Dalwill Drive (985) 951-7182

▶ Japanese cuisine and sushi bar. Wine and beer bar.

Usual Suspects Chicken Fingers 1680 Hwy. 59

(985) 674-3333 ► Hand-battered chicken fingers, variety of sauces, sides. Kids menu.

Viet Kitchen

3414 Hwy. 190 (985) 502-3904

▶ Pho, rice noodle soups and dishes, and specialty teas.

Ziggy's Ice Cream & Snowballs 4450 Hwy 22 (601) 832-1614

► Homemade ice cream, snowballs, more. Open year round.

PEARL RIVER

Cajun Mike's Kitchen

64579 Hwy 3081 (985) 250-9990

www.cajunmikeskitchen.com ► Chef Michael King prepares Cajun favorites. Gumbo, po-boys, soups and salads. Lunch and dinner

China Pearl Chinese To-Go 64519 Hwy. 41

(985) 863-5599 ► Popular Chinese take-out.

Lester's Seafood

64724 Hwy 41 (985) 250-9944

▶ Boiled, grilled and fried seafood. Soups, salads, po-boys, sandwiches, lots of sides. Dine in or carry-out.

El Rio de Mexico

64380 Hwv. 41 (985) 250-9801

► Traditional Mexican fare. Full bar.

Southern Char Steakhouse 2306 Front St. Ste. 19

(985) 288-4633 www.southerncharsteakhouse.com

► Steaks, sandwiches, salads, soups and lots of sides. Full bar. Kids menu. Open Wed.-Sat.

Southern Delights

64185 Hwy. 41 (985) 863-8488 www.southerndelights.vpweb.com

► Snowballs, ice cream, fro-yo, sundaes and other frozen treats.

Wishbones

64337 Hwy. 41 (985) 863-3077

► Specializing in fried chicken and seafood, sandwiches and salads.

SLIDELL

Albasha Greek & Lebanese Café 55 Town Center Pkwy. (Fremaux Town Ctr.)

www.albashabr.com ► New. Mediterranean café. Shawarma and gyros, stuffed grape

leaves and specialty dishes.

Armond's Specialty Meats 1640 Old Spanish Trail (985) 377-6820

www.armondssp.com ► Full-service meat market and deli specializing in homemade smoked sausages, boudin, stuffed chickens,

pork, alligator and processing wild

game. Sandwiches, salads, sides. Assunta's Fine Italian Cuisine

2631 Gause Blvd. W (985) 649-9768

www.assuntas.com ► Authentic Italian cuisine prepared with fresh ingredients.

BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse 140 Town Center Pkwy

▶ Deep dish and flatbread pizzas,

(985) 605-0120 www.bjsrestaurants.com

burgers, entrees, tacos, salads, pastas, steaks, and drinks.

1777 Gause Blvd. E (985) 639-8006 ► Breakfast, steaks, seafood, burg-

diner. Open early and late.

ers and comfort food at this classic

The Blind Tiger

Big Easy Diner

37330 Lakeshore Marina Drive (985) 718-1890 www.theblindtiger.biz

► Waterside bar and grill adjacent to Lakeshore Marina. Burgers, tacos, salads and seafood. Kids menu. Dog friendly.





Bonnie C's Front Street Café 1768 Front St. (985) 288-5061

► Fried seafood platters, pork chop and steak dinners, pasta, po-boys. Dine-in, carry-out/catering, delivery.

Bruiser's The Hot Dog Place 1904 Front St.

(985) 326-8208 www.bruisersdogs.com

► Fun hot dog joint for the sports fan. Indoor/outdoor bars. Pet friendly.

Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar 815 Brownswitch Rd.

(985) 639-3399 www.buffalowildwings.com

▶ Buffalo wings, specialty sandwiches, burgers. Full bar.

Burger Orleans

2117 Gause Blvd. E (985) 847-0061

▶ Burger specialties and seafood.

Café 372

372 Voters Rd. (Inside Holiday Inn & Suites) (985) 639-0890

► American menu serving breakfast and dinner

Café Luke at Grande Manor

153 Robert St., Slidell (985) 707-1597 www.cafeluke.com

► Louisiana-French Creole country cooking for breakfast and lunch, plus, Rickie Luke's dinner theatre on weekend evenings. See Arts section for theater details.

Camellia Café

525 Gause Blvd. W (985) 649-6211 www.thecamelliacafe.com

► Open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Regional cuisine, soups, po-boys and muffulettas.

Caribbean Island Mini Mart

719 Old Spanish Trail (985) 326-8864

► Jerk chicken, chicken and goat dishes, plantains, roti, seafood and other specialties. Import grocery with seasonings, sodas, more.

Carreta's Grill

137 Taos St. (985) 847-0020 www.carretasgrill.com

► Authentic Mexican cuisine in a casual atmosphere. Breezy covered patio.

Copeland's

1337 Gause Blvd. W. (985) 643-0001 www.alcopeland.com

► New Orleans-style seafood,

pasta and steak specialties. Covington location, too. Full bar.

Counter Culture Frozen Yogurt 154 E. Hall Drive

(985) 288-4568 www.countercultureslidell.com

► Soups, salads, sandwiches, shakes and yogurt treats.

Creole Bagelry

1337 Gause Blvd., Ste. 102 (985) 649-6151 www.creolebagelry.com

▶ Premium kettle-made bagels, cream cheese deli, sandwiches, wraps, and coffee bar.

El Paso Mexican Grill

1110 Robert Blvd. (985) 445-1450 www.elpasomex.com

► Wide variety of mesquite-grilled, Tex-Mex dinners and a la carte. Soups, salads, vegetarian, plus burgers, ribs and seafood. Kids menu, full bar.

Fatty's Seafood Restaurant

1300 Gause Blvd., Ste. A1 (985) 288-5503 www.fattysseafoodrestaurant.com

▶ Open daily for lunch and dinner. Sandwiches, soups, po-boys, salads and grilled, fried and boiled seafood dishes. Kids menu. Full bar. Daily lunch specials.

Fratelli's Italian Grille 550 Gause Blvd. (985) 707-1688

▶ Pizza, pastas, subs and classic Italian dishes; seafood, steaks, soups and salads. Lunch specials. Kids menu.

GoodFellas Seafood & Po-boys

1800 Old Spanish Trail (985) 641-9773 www.goodfellasseafood.com

► Over-stuffed po-boys, seafood plates, daily specials.

Imperial Chopsticks Chinese Restaurant

2126 Gause Blvd. E (985) 641-5888 www.imperialchopsticks.com

► Cantonese, Szechuan and Hunanstyle Asian specialties.

Joe's Italian Ristorante

300 Oak Harbor Blvd. (985) 326-8637 www.joesristorante.com

► Authentic Sicilian dishes, pizza and salads. Waterfront dining, full bar, lunch and dinner specials.

Kenney Seafood

400 Pontchartrain Drive (985) 643-2717

► Seafood po-boys and dinners, dine in, carry out. Large seafood market with resh and boiled seafood.

Koi's Asian Cuisine

2165 Gause Blvd. W (985) 288-5923 www.koisasiancuisine.com

▶ Traditional Chinese dishes as well as sushi and sashimi. Lunch and

KY's Olde Towne Bicycle Shop 2267 Carey St.

(985) 641-1911 www.kysoldetowne.com

► Located inside a former bicycle shop, KY's features burgers, poboys, salads, seafood and gumbo. Open daily. Kids menu. Full bar.

LA Pines Café

1061 Robert Blvd. (985) 641-6196 www.LAPinesCafe.com

► Daily lunch specials, breakfast, burgers and sandwiches. Featured on "Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives." Known for the smoked prime rib poboy and Almost Famous Fudge Pie.

The Landing Bar & Grill 4750 Pontchartrain Drive (985) 645-9009

▶ Dine indoors or out at this waterfront sports bar with burgers, sandwiches, salads and wraps. Steak on Wednesday nights. Live music on weekends. Wharf accessible.

Lee's Flying Pizza 196 Audubon Drive

(985) 641-1300 www.leesflyingpizza.com

► New York/Italian-style, handtossed pizza, salads, muffulettas, cannoli, soups and salads.

Lee's Original Hamburgers 1541 Hwy. 190 W (985) 641-6895

► Classic old-school burgers, fries.

Longhorn Steakhouse

126 Town Center Pkwy (985) 649-9390

www.longhornsteakhouse.com ► Quality steaks, seafood, ribs,

chops, salads and more. Full bar.

Lorenzo's 710 Brownswitch Rd. Ste. 1A (985) 847-9928

www.lorenzosslidell.com ► Creole, Cajun, Tex-Mex and Mexi-Cajun for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Po-boys, tamales, seafood platters, sandwiches and salads. Kids menu.

Los Tres Amigos

1509 Gause Blvd. E (985) 643-2789

www.lostresamigosmexicangrill.com

► Mexican specialties, plus salads. seafood, shrimp, steaks. Full bar.

Mi Patio Mexican Restaurant

2170 Gause Blvd. W (985) 649-5350

► Traditional Mexican, margaritas.

Michael's Restaurant

4820 Pontchartrain Drive (985) 649-8055 www.michaelsrestaurantslidell.com

► Contemporary Creole cuisine, fine steaks and seafood, from Chef Michael Frederick. Full bar.

Nathan's Restaurant

36440 Old Bayou Liberty Rd. (985) 643-0443

www.nathansrestaurant.net

► Chef Ross Eirich serves upscale Creole and other regional specialties on Bayou Bonfouca. Full bar.

New Orleans Hamburger & Seafood Co.

1677 Gause Blvd. (985) 326-8687 www.nohsc.com

► Casual dining featuring burgers, thin fried catfish, entrée salads and regional specialties.

NOLA Southern Grill

1375 Gause Blvd. (985) 201-8200

► Traditional New Orleans cuisine. Popular spot for steaks, seafood, pasta, salads, sandwiches and burgers. Full bar.

Nick's Sports Bar & Grill Featuring Fox's Pizza Den 3112 Pontchartrain Drive

(985) 288-0909 www.foxspontchartrain.com

► Pizza, burgers, chicken wings, oysters and more by the owners of Nathan's Restaurant.

Old Town Slidell Soda Shop 301 Cousin St.

(985) 649-4806 www.slidellsodashop.com

▶ Old-fashioned ice cream sodas. root beer floats, shakes, malts, sundaes, banana splits, snowballs and cones as well as po-boys, muffalettas and soups. In Slidell's historic Olde Towne district.

Original Italian Pie

1319 Gause Blvd. (985) 661-0210

www.italianpie.com ► Gourmet specialty pizzas, sandwiches, calzones and pasta entrees.

Osaka Hibachi Grill & Sushi Bar 792 E I-10 Service Rd. (985) 643-9276

www.osakaslidell.com ▶ Japanese and Thai cuisine featuring sushi/sashimi bar and hibachi grilled seafood and steaks.

Comfort food's on the menu at KY's Olde Towne Bicycle Shop in Slidell.

Palmettos on the Bayou

1901 Bayou Ln. (985) 643-0050

www.palmettosrestaurant.com

▶ Dine inside or out on decks overlooking Bayou Bonfouca. Seafood, local specialties. Live music some weekends. Sunday brunch. Full bar.

Papa's Backyard Bar-B-Q

2848 Slidell Ave. (985) 288-5011

www.papasbackyardbbq.com ► Wood-smoked spare ribs, beef brisket, pulled pork and chicken.

Peck's Seafood Restaurant

2315 Gause Blvd. E (985) 781-7272 www.pecksseafood.com

► Seasonal seafood platters, soups, salads, po-boys, burgers and wraps. Kids menu, lunch specials. Closed Sunday and Monday.

Peck's Seafood Market & Po-boys 502 Gause Blvd

(985) 259-4581 www.pecksseafood.com

► Market and kitchen with small menu of popular items at the original restaurant. Seasonal seafood platters, soups, salads, po-boys, burgers and wraps. Kids menu, lunch specials. Closed Mondays.

Phil's Marina Café

1194 Harbor Drive (985) 641-0464 www.philsmarinacafe.net

▶ Regional seafood specialties in a great setting overlooking the Slidell Yacht Harbor.

Pho Bistro

2395 Gause Blvd. E (985) 201-7829

► Vietnamese specialties including classic pho (soup).

Pizza Depot

2151 Gause Blvd. E (985) 643-8600

► Pizza, stromboli, Philly steak sandwiches and salads.



Abita Roasting Company 1011 Village Walk (985) 246-3345

www.abitaroasting.com ► Internet and coffee café featuring the breakfast and lunch menu of Abita Springs Café. Second location in Madisonville.

(985) 246-6992

Café du Monde 70437 Hwy. 21 (985) 893-0453

www.cafedumonde.com ► New Orleans' own featuring café au lait and beignets.

Campbell's Coffee & Tea 516 S. Tyler St.

www.campbellscoffee.com ► Green-friendly coffee shop serves coffee, tea, and freshly made panini, salads and soups.

English Tea Room & Eatery 734 Rutland St.

(985) 898-3988 www.englishtearoom.com

▶ Large selection of teas. Shepherd's pie, sandwiches, salads and soup in a charming cottage. Breakfast, lunch, and Windsor High Tea served all day. Tea and accessories for sale. Online tea sales, too.

PJ's Coffee of New Orleans

70325 Hwy. 1077 Ste. 1-A (985) 845-8411 73015 Hwy. 25 Ste. F (985) 892-1202 1202 S. Tyler St. (Hospital) (985) 892-8242 70456 Hwy. 21 Ste. 1 (985) 875-7894 1600 N. Hwy. 190 Ste. 13 (985) 871-9326

1201 Ochsner Blvd. (Spa) (985) 801-7135 www.pjscoffee.com

► Relaxed and friendly café offering coffees, teas and fresh pastries.

St. John's Coffee House

535 E. Boston St. (985) 893-5553 www.stjohnscoffeehouse.com

► Traditional coffee house serving coffees, teas and pastries with gourmet sandwiches and salads for lunch. Live music on weekends.

Starbucks Coffee

206 Lake Drive (985) 246-6024 69320 Hwy. 21 (Target) (985) 871-7093 www.starbucks.com

► Premium coffee drinks and pastries.

FOLSOM

Giddy Up Folsom

82292 Hwy 25 (985) 260-5060

www.giddyupfolsom.com ► Specialty coffees and frozen drinks, pastries, sandwiches, soups. Indoor and outdoor dining, drive-through. Open daily.

MADISONVILLE

Abita Roasting Company 405 Water St. (985) 246-3340

www.abitaroasting.com

▶ Breakfast, lunch, coffee and Internet café in charming cottage on the banks of the Tchefuncte. Indoors or out. Wine, beer and

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smoothies, too.

Café du Monde 1814 N. Causeway Approach (985) 951-7474 www.cafedumonde.com

▶ Café au lait and hot beignets (pillow-shaped donuts).

Kona Coffee

124 Girod St. (985) 624-9331

► Specialty coffees and teas breakfast, desserts. Located inside Beach House Bar & Grill; order from either menu. Dog friendly patio, one block from lakefront. Open early and late.

www.konacoffeemandeville.com

PJ's Coffee & Tea Co.

4480 Hwy. 22 (985) 624-9015 1665 Dove Park Rd. (I-12) (985) 898-5282

2963 Hwy. 190

(985) 727-2629

www.pjscoffee.com ► Café offering coffees and espressos, teas and fresh pastries.













Po-Boy Factory 632 Robert Blvd (985) 641-4784

► Specializing in traditional Louisiana-style po-boys weekdays for lunch.

Qué Rico! Cuban Café 1901 Second St. (985) 201-8215

► Cuban specialties. Grilled chicken, roast pork, sandwiches, soups and kids menu.

Randazzo's Camellia City Bakery 3501 Pontchartrain Dr. (800) 684-2253

► Featured on the Food Network's Unwrapped, Randazzo's has a long family tradition of handmade and braided king cakes. Ships anywhere in the U.S.

Refuel on the Go with Joe 1390 Brownswitch Rd.

(985) 288-5350 ► Fried chicken, seafood plates, po-boys, muffalettas, soups and lots of sides for dine in or carry-out.

Restaurant Coté

2219 Carey St. (985) 288-5440 www.restaurantcote.com

► Upscale Southern Creole cuisine for lunch, dinner and Sunday brunch in historic Olde Towne Slidell. Full bar. Live music Saturday nights in The Maple Room.

Samurai Sushi Japanese Cuisine 3769 Pontchartrain Drive (985) 847-2909

▶ Japanese cuisine featuring fresh

sushi and sashimi, plus sizzling arilled dishes.

Slidell Seafood House 348 Robert Blvd.

(985) 707-1090

► Louisiana cuisine. Seafood, barbecue, pasta, steaks, desserts. Drink and dinner specials. Serves lunch and dinner daily plus breakfast Saturday & Sunday. Kids eat free on Monday.

Sogo Japanese Restaurant 3091 Pontchartrain Drive

(985) 288-4512

► Traditional sushi and sashimi, Hibachi steak, seafood. Lunch specials, kids menu.

Southern Delights

1311 Broadmoor St. (985) 641-8454

www.southerndelights.vpweb.com

▶ Snowballs, ice cream and other frozen treats.

Southside Café

3154 Pontchartrain Drive (985) 643-6133

www.southsidecafe.net

▶ Bar and grill serves sandwiches, steaks, salads, seafood and daily specials. Live music on weekends.

Speck's Eatery

3971 Pontchartrain Drive (985) 288-5982 www.speckseatery.com

▶ Burgers, BBQ, po-boys, seafood platters, soups, salads and sandwiches. Breakfast favorites. too. Serves buffets for breakfast, lunch or dinner.

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he Northshore is well represented on the Louisiana Brewery Trail, offering beer aficionados three breweries, each with scheduled FREE tours and tastes. Can't make a tour? You can find the wares of each brewery in area bars and supermarkets. Here's more about the Northshore breweries:

ABITA BEER

Abita started small, in 1986, but has grown to be the country's 14th largest craft brewery, with brews available in all 50 states. Visitors watch a video before checking out the plant. Most of Abita's brews are on tap for help-yourself sampling in the tasting room, including Abita Amber, Turbodog, Purple Haze and seasonal brews like Abita Strawberry. Considered one of the 'greenest' breweries in the country, Abita produces beer from untreated water pulled up from very deep wells. Choose from free self-guided tours or guided tours with tastings (\$5) at the brewery. Check website for tour times. Visitor center and gift shop open seven days a week. 166 Barbee Road, Abita Springs. (985) 737-2311. www.abita.com

COVINGTON **BREWHOUSE**

The distinctive brewery building in historic downtown Covington is the home of Covington Brewhouse. Known for German-style beers offered in three 'collections,' the brewery produces Pontchartrain Pilsner, Kolsch, and seasonal beers like Festibier (for Oktoberfest), among others. Tours and tastings are given from 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays at the little brewery, headed by brewmaster Brian Broussard. 226 E. Lockwood, Covington. (985) 893-2884, www.covingtonbrewhouse.com

CHAFUNKTA BREWING COMPANY

This tiny newcomer is just finding its way into the hearts of area beer lovers but its reputation is good and the fan base is growing. The brainchild of husband/wife team Josh and Jamie Erickson, Chafunkta launched in April 2013 and produces Voo Ka Ray IPA as well as Old 504 Coffee Porter. Tours and tastings are given from 6-7 p.m. Fridays. 21449 Marion Lane, Suite 2 (just off Highway 59), Mandeville, (985) 869-2349, www.chafunktabrew.com

You can also sample locally made beer at Old Rail Brewing Company in Mandeville. Brewmaster Matt Horney produces a number of brews onsite for Old Rail. 639 Girod St., Mandeville, (985) 612-1828, www.oldrailbrewery.com

To learn more about Northshore breweries and other breweries on the Louisiana Brewery Trail, visit http:// breweries.louisianatravel.com

Speckled T's Restaurant

158 S. Military Rd. (985) 646-1728 www.speckledts.com

► Fresh seafood specialties, sandwiches, salads and soups. Daily lunch buffet. Late night entertainment with Speckled T's After Dark. Full bar.

Surfer's Rehab Bistro

118 Harbor View Ct. (985) 201-7656 | (985) 645-3625 www.surfersrehab.com

► Open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner by chefs Nick Neyrey and Alysia McCollum. Upscale

Savor a spot

of tea and

a scone at

English Tea

Covington.

Room in

menu indoors features ribs, steaks and duck; casual menu outside with burgers, tacos, boiled seafood on surfboard tables. Two bars, live entertainment nightly.

T LeBlanc's Creole Kitchen 797 Robert Blvd. (985) 781-8100

► New Orleans-style specialties, salads, soups and sandwiches. Kids menu.

Terry Lynn's Café & Creative Catering 1960 First St.

(985) 641-3500 www.terrylynnscafe.com

► Sandwiches, salads, po-boys and soups for lunch.

Thai Orchid

785 Robert Blvd. (985) 781-0240

► Thai cuisine. Specializing in curry-infused entrees.

Thailicious

2165 Gause Blvd. W. (985) 649-8900 www.thailicious.net

► Traditional Thai dishes by Chef Kathy Souvannaseng. Try the pad prik king or panang curry.

Times Bar & Grill II

1827 Front St. (985) 639-3335

▶ Burgers, sandwiches and salads. Full bar. Mandeville location, too.

Vera's Seafood

2020 Gause Blvd. W (985) 690-9814

► Caiun and Creole with po-boys, steaks and boiled seafood with oyster bar, in season.

Wild Ginger Asian Bistro

1714 US-190 W (985) 326-8455 www.wildgingerslidell.com

► Thai entrees and Japanese sushi

and hibachi. Lunch and dinner. Kids menu.

The Wine Garden

306 Robert St. (985) 210-7415

► Historic building houses an upscale wine bar with live music.

The Wine Market 2051 Gause Blvd. E.

(985) 781-1177

► Wine and liquor store also features full-service lunch deli with soups, salads and sandwiches. Becomes bar with appetizers after 4 p.m.

The Wine Seller & Habanos of Slidell 1567 Gause Blvd. E.

(985) 645-9463

► Lunch menu of soups, salads and sandwiches, plus selection of wines, liquors, gift baskets.

Yee Chinese Restaurant 300 Pontchartrain Drive (985) 641-4940

► Generous portions of flavorful Asian cuisine.

Zaman Greek & Lebanese Café 796 E I-10 Service Rd, Ste. 200 (985) 259-4451

► Gyros, shawarma and seafood platters, sandwiches and kabobs. Pastas, salads, soups, kids menu.

Zea Rotisserie & Grill 173 Northshore Blvd.

(985) 273-0500 www.zearestaurants.com ► Rotisserie specialties, salads

and sandwiches. Full bar. Online reservation available.





Starbucks Coffee

3601 Hwy. 190 (Bank One) (985) 626-5234 3461 E. Causeway Appr. (985) 674-3229 www.starbucks.com

▶ A wide variety of coffees, teas and pastries.

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Beignet au Lait 1071 Robert Blvd.

(985) 643-4949 www.beignetaulait.com

► Fresh, hot beignets for breakfast or lunch, open nights for Saints football.

Creole Bagelry Express

1808 Front St. (985) 643-5678 Premium kettle-made bagels, sandwiches, salads, pastries and coffee bar. Located inside the Slidell Chamber Marketplace.



2040 Gause Blvd. E (985) 649-6270 61103 Airport Rd. (985) 882-7553 www.pjscoffee.com

► Serving pastries and "the coffee New Orleans loves.'

Starbucks Coffee 179 Northshore Blvd. (985) 641-2129 1300 Front St. (985) 641-6257 798 E. I-10 Service Rd. (985) 641-1915 55 Town Center Pkwy. (Fremaux Town Ctr.) (985) 643-9437 www.starbucks.com

▶ Premium coffee drinks and pastries.





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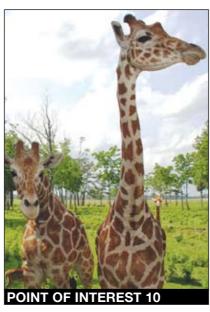


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