

PEOPLE PROGRAM FALL NEWSLETTER

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Our volunteer teachers are the heart of People Program. We are so pleased to introduce you to our newest teachers for the spring semester:

On the Westbank we welcome Mary Ann Singleton, Dr. James Marra, M.D., Jim White, Colleen Schneider, Cecelia Pedesclaux, Myrna Gurley, and Jim Gaffney.

The Lakeshore embraces new teachers Darline Martin, Saundra Dymond, Mary Ann Lennon, and Tulane interns, Andrea Jones and Penny Roberts.

Our new teachers add spice to the already attractive menu of classes. Thanks so much!



Mark Your Calendars!

**Mardi Gras Week: March 3 – 7
Easter Week: April 14 – 18
Spring Session ends on May 16**



Happy 40th Anniversary to People Program!

Wow! It has been 40 years since Sr. Alice Marie Macmurdo, CSJ was inspired to begin a program that allowed retirees to seek purpose and fulfillment through creative and leisure learning. Our Annual Spring Gala, “All Jazzed Up”, will be a very special event dedicated to our 40 years. **Save the date: Sunday, March 30, The Royal Palm on Manhattan Blvd. in Harvey.** Bobby Cure and his Poppa Stoppa Band will entertain, and the menu will be sensational. **Individual tickets are \$55, and please let us know if you have a connection with a company or person that may want to be an event sponsor. See Jan Martino for more details.**



Special Guest Art Instructor... People Program is happy to welcome renowned local artist,

Gregory Jones to the Lakeshore Campus for a 6 week oil painting class **February 17 – March 31.** The class will take place on Monday mornings from 9 to 11 a.m., and all levels of artists are welcomed! Limit of 10, so sign up at the front desk ASAP!

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Special thanks to **Laura Guerin Hebert, Chris & Hank Carroll, Jane Ciolino, Joan Richardson, Nancy Wright, Lynn Dave, Elsie Bailey, Jackie Kosche, Kay Lopez and Lula Vaughn** for helping to set up and staff the “Gently Used” sale on Dec. 6 & 7. Thanks also goes out to all who brought additional items. Even though the weather prevented good attendance, the community effort was exceptional. We were able to add \$300 to the Fall Fest earnings. How ‘bout dat?! **Calling all “Circle Drawers” from Spring 2013!**

Last spring, approximately 20 members of Angela and Russ Carll’s “Current Events” class

and Bill Kappel's "Strength Training" class, participated in a study measuring hand tremor by drawing spirals for Laura Jensen, one of our Tulane University Medical School's gerontology interns. Lauren has completed her analysis of our participation and will present the results on **Monday, February 3, at noon in room 4.** (Lauren will also discuss "age stigma consciousness" and its influence on exercise frequency.) You need not have been a participant to attend, but all participants will want to be there to see how we are affecting research in gerontology through our partnership with Tulane.



Calling all Members.....Gulf Coast Bank wants to give back and support 10 local non-profits. A sum of \$50,000 will be awarded. To win, we need all members to vote for People Program at **CommunityRewards.com. from Feb. 3 to Feb. 28. Show your loyalty and vote today!**

Special Prayer for the Super Bowl faithful:

O God, our hearts are saddened and our spirits angry as we dwell on the unthinkable assault on human dignity by the horrific trafficking of children and adults. Strengthen the fragile-spirited and broken-hearted. Give us the wisdom and courage to stand in

solidarity with them, that together we will find ways to the freedom that is your gift to all.



Recycling bins are available for batteries, eye glasses and ink cartridges in Sr. Janine's office next to room 2. Thanks for your concern for the health of the planet.

Woodturning... Interested in learning more about woodturning? Go to www.woodturning.org or call Dennis Wall for more info. (504-218-4248)



Prayers Needed

- Sr. Shirley Bodisch, OP
- Joyce Dassey
- LaVerne Kappel
- Russ Carll
- Roseann LaBostrie
- Mary Taylor
- Phyllis Sassoon
- Brenda Wise
- Grace Harrison
- Donald Rowan
- Vivien Michals
- Tom Morel



The Whole World Smiles With You!

There was this guy at a bar, just looking at his drink. He stays that way for a half hour. Then, this big trouble-making truck driver steps next to him and takes the drink from the guy, and drinks it all down. The poor man starts crying. "Come on, man, I was just joking. Here, I'll buy you another drink. I just can't stand to see a man cry."
 "No, it's not that. This day is the worst of my life. First, I fall asleep, and I go late to my office. My boss fires me. When I leave the building, I find out my car was stolen. Then, I leave my wallet and credit cards in the cab I took to get home. To top it all off, when I get home, I find out that my wife ran away with the gardener. So I come to this bar, and just when I was thinking about putting an end to my life, you show up and drink my poison."

