

# TWO STEP TATTLER

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Monthly Dances held at UCT Hall • 11175 Florida Blvd • Baton Rouge, Louisiana

## July and August 2019



### President's Message:

The sudden closure of Caffé' Maison in May necessitated a change in location for our monthly Jam Sessions. We were fortunate to find a new home at the West Baton Rouge Museum. The Museum's address is 845 North Jefferson Avenue, Port Allen, Louisiana 70767. The time for the jam is now 3:00-5:00 PM on the third Sunday of the month. The museum opens at 2:00 PM on Sundays, so come on by and visit the beautiful grounds, enjoy the wonderful exhibits and listen to some great Cajun Music. There is even a little room to dance, so why not join us?

A big Merci Beaucoup to Ray Landry who agreed to host our first jam at the WBR Museum. We also had guest musicians Sheryl Cormier and Gina Forsyth. Another big Merci Beaucoup to The Brown Family, led by Jesse Brown, for hosting the June jam. Hosts for the July and August JAMS will be announced on our web site at a later date.

Not having a dance in the month of May makes one realize the importance of our monthly dances. We are the only regular Cajun Music Dance in Baton Rouge and to go two full months without a dance is quite a shock. Please try to attend our dances if you can. The band for our July 27 dance is the Huval- Fuselier Cajun Band. These are wonderful young Cajun musicians who are helping to brighten the future of Cajun Music. The August 10<sup>th</sup> dance will feature one of our local Baton Rouge bands, Nouveaux Cajun Xpres. The August dance theme will be Cajun Luau, so put on those flowered shirts, join us and pass a good time.

LeCajun, the highlight event of the Cajun French Music Association, will be held on August 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Let's have a great turnout from the Baton Rouge Chapter. I hope to see you there!

**Ken Bueche**

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<b>BRCFMA Dance Schedule</b>	
Saturday, July 17	. . Huval Fuselier
Saturday, Aug 10	. . Nouveau Cajun Express
Friday, Sept 20	. . Coobie Joe
Friday, Oct 18	. . Paul Daigle
Friday, Nov 15	. . Chris Miller
Saturday, Dec 14	. . Choupique

## Heritage: Maudit Calimacon, darned snail.

Cajuns use *ca-lee-ma-sohn* as a collective term for most snails. But, the Slug (with no shell) is named *Limace* because of the way that it eats – by scraping away the outer skin from plant stems or leaves. The name comes from *Limer (lee-may)* meaning to file-to scrape away. *Une lime* is a file. Plants that are scraped become invaded by fungus and soon die. Another snail (the Conch) that natives to Grand Isle call *Biganeau*, thrives in salt water and destroys oyster beds by drilling a hole into an oyster's shell and injecting digestive fluid into the cavity, paralyzing the oyster, and causing the shell to open to the predator. Oystermen call the brown digestive fluid *jus de tabac*, tobacco juice.

A new- comer, so new to La's wetlands, doesn't seem to have a Cajun name, yet? It's known as the Apple Snail. Empty shells near the water's edge and pink masses of eggs glued to plant stems just above the high water mark, confirm the presence of this huge Snail. Oyster Conchs taste like oysters, but are tough. Surely, we could use a good recipe for the Apple Snail that eats everything, and even robs the bait from Crab and Crawfish traps.

**Maurice**

## LES DANSEURS de la CAPITALE de BATON ROUGE

The dance troupe is often booked for special events and have three coming up in July. Their interactive presentation serves to both entertain groups with Cajun music and dance while also providing information of our Cajun culture. On July 17<sup>th</sup> the dancers will be at St. James' place in Baton Rouge, on July 20<sup>th</sup> they honor the veterans at Louisiana War Vets in Jackson, and on July 28<sup>th</sup> they dance with members of the Lejeune Family Reunion at St. John the Baptist Church in Brusly. We applaud them and admire their dedication to promoting and preserving our Cajun culture.

## Memberships

Welcome to Andy Crawford, Bob Dawson, Linda McLellan, Janell Gautreaux, Dianna Gilcrease, Densyl & Angela Haymon, Snadra Kivell, and Ken & Rose Roberts. We are so happy to have you as CFMA members of the Baton Rouge chapter and look forward to dancing with you.

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JAM sessions 3:00pm - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month at WBRP Museum \* 845 North Jefferson Ave \* Port Allen, LA 70767  
Combined General Meeting and Board Meeting 6:30pm - 2nd Wednesday of each month at Cutrone's Barber Shop \* 711 Jefferson Hwy \* Baton Rouge, LA