



Above, Helen Breaux, Claire Miciotto, Judy Briscoe, Georgette Miller, Nicole Theriot, Barbara Bordelon, Kathy Herter, Susan Alardyce and Sarah Oubre pose in front of the 4-foot balloon cake, which was surrounded by 500 cupcakes. At right is a close-up look at that cake, revealing just how big it is!



Mike Breaux and Trè Leger admire their newly assembled Home Bank paper airplane.



Getting ready to watch the show, 'The Bee Movie,' are (from left) Helen Breaux, Kathy Herter, Sarah Oubre, Judy Briscoe, Caroline Kallum, Michelle Guidry, Caroline Guidry and Darren Guidry.

Home Bank shares birthday fun with everyone

Movies in the Parc guests enjoyed a surprise birthday party for Home Bank this past summer at Parc International. Home Bank waived admission fees for all guests and treated them to ice cream, cupcakes and balloons before the 7:30 p.m. showing of "Bee Movie."

Artist Adrian Fulton was on hand to capture the scene in an original portrait as a keepsake for the bank, and Mitchell Richard from MLR Magic created a 4-foot-tall balloon cake for the occasion.

Home Bank made a donation to Downtown Lafayette Unlimited, which usually charges admission for Movies in the Parc as a fundraiser for events like Downtown Alive! and ArtWalk.

"The party was a great way to celebrate our 100-year anniversary and include children in the fun," said Assistant Vice President Judy Briscoe. "Movies in the Parc was the perfect place for our celebration."



Mitchell Richard of MLR Magic thrilled the crowd with his 4-foot balloon cake and balloon flowers and bumble bees for the kids.



Youngsville artist Adrian Fulton (above) creates an on-the-spot work of art depicting the scene at Parc International. And if we peer over Fulton's shoulder, we see one of the sketches in the works (right).



Photos courtesy of Home Bank

Big Band Dance Club to close out year

Acadiana's Big Band Dance Club holds its final event of 2008 Saturday, Nov. 22, from 7:30 to 11 p.m. at the Petroleum Club of Lafayette.

The Skyliners, an 18-piece traditional big band featuring vocalists Billie Castle and Ron Gomez, will be performing the arrangements of the greats such as Count Basie, Glenn Miller, Harry James and others.

Membership for the 2009 season, featuring six dances, is now available for \$150 per couple. This will also include six meals at the Petroleum Club during the year.

Nonmembers may attend single events at a cost of \$30 per couple per dance night.

Club members invite everyone to "come on out and help us perpetuate great music while having a swinging time."

'State of La Danse' set at Angelle Hall

The University of Louisiana Lafayette Department of Performing Arts will present "State of LA Danse" in four performances at Angelle Hall.

Performances at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 20-22, and a matinee at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, will be in the Ducrest-Gilfry Auditorium.

DPA alumni choreographers Marie Broussard, Kristi Carr, Lacey LeBlanc and Anthony Whitehurst will join resident faculty artist Kenneth L. Jenkins to premiere dances commissioned for the UL dancers.

Broussard will premiere a classical ballet, "Grande Tarentelle," set to Eugene List's score. Carr and LeBlanc have created new dances to contemporary music sources. Whitehurst and dance partner Kristen Schiffer-decker will premiere a work created for UL dancers and perform in two other dances.

"Chambers of Ourselves" is a new dance choreographed by Jenkins. Recent DPA graduates Matthew Couvillon, Melissa Musson and Teri Wyble will also perform.

Tickets are only available at Angelle Hall prior to each performance. Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$5 for UL alumni, senior citizens, children and students. UL faculty, staff and students with a valid ID will be admitted free of charge.

For more information, contact the Performing Arts Department at 337.482.6357.

Community Calendar

Gwen Voorhies Exhibit: through December, Lafayette Public Library Browsing Room, 301 W. Congress St. The local artist presents 'The World Outside.Inside!' at the Main Library. More info: 337.261.5787.

Acting UP Workshops: 6:15-7:45 p.m. each Monday through Dec. 8, Acadiana Center for the Arts, 101 W. Vermilion St., Downtown Lafayette. Experience the creative process as you watch artists collaborate on a new stage work — and offer your input! More info: 337.309.4964 or 337.739.4273.

'Louisiana Story: The Reverse Angle': 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, Main Iberia Parish Library, 445 E. Main St., New Iberia. More info: Gail Garcia or Kristie Rose Trahan, 337.364.7150

Festival of Trees: Wednesday-Friday, Nov. 19-20, City Club at River Ranch. A benefit for Acadiana Youth Inc., the festival includes a first-ever cocktail brunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday; family nights from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; and a gala from 7 to 10:30 p.m. Friday. More info: 337.237.1320 or erinspisak@bellsouth.net.

CPR Classes: 9-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Grant Molett Medical Arts Center, 443 Heymann Blvd. Lafayette General offers American Heart Association Family & Friends CPR classes, taught by AHA-certified instructors. Preregistration is required. LGMC volunteers attend free; others pay \$10. To preregister or more info: 337.289.8669.

Great American Smoke-Out: 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, King Street, University of Louisiana at Lafayette campus. More info: 337.237.3797, ext.05.

Relay for Life of Iberia Parish Kick-Off Celebration: 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, Bayou Teche Trading Company, 225 W. Main St., New Iberia. More info: Novella Richard, 337.237.3797, ext. 5.

Brain Injury Support Group: 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, Acadiana Brain Injury Center, 101 Guillot Road, Youngsville. For loved ones and family members of those who have suffered a brain injury. More info: Julie Grisaffe, 337.856.1964

Japanese Storytelling: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Acadiana Center for the Arts, 101 W. Vermilion St., Downtown Lafayette. Kuniko Yamamoto uses mime, masks and music to tell timeless folk tales. Tickets or more info: 337.233.7060.

Puppet Show: 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Parkview Library, 500 Grand Pre Blvd., New Iberia. Enjoy a puppet show, crafts and stories. Children 5 and older accompanied by an adult are welcome. Space is limited. To register or more info: 337.364.7480.

Rhythms on the River: 5:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Town Square, River Ranch. Roddie Romero & The Hub City Allstars bring their roots rock and Cajun music to this free community concert series. More info: 337.216.6529.

'State of La Danse': 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 20-22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, Ducrest-Gilfry Auditorium, Angelle Hall, East St. Mary Boulevard, University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Classic ballet, modern dance and original pieces choreographed especially for the occasion, presented by the UL Department of Performing Arts. More info: 337.482.6357.

(check out www.acadianagazette.com for a full calendar listing)

Relay for Life of UL Kick-Off Party: 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Student Union Art Gallery, University of Louisiana at Lafayette. More info: Leslie Briscoe, 337.237.3797, ext. 3.

Downtown Alive! 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Parc International, corner of Garfield and Lee streets, Downtown Lafayette. The series concludes with performances by BeauSoleil and Michael Doucet followed by Nathan & The Zydeco Cha Chas.

Broussard Community Fair Fun Run & 5K: 7 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, rear grounds of Sacred Heart Church, Broussard. More info: Jorge Villagomez, 337.837.7147; Laura Stelly, 337.856.6560 or lcastelly@louisiana.edu; or Rachel Fournet, rfournet@louisiana.edu.

3rd Annual Poker Run: 8:30-9:30 a.m. registration, 9:30 a.m. run begins; Saturday, Nov. 22, Grounds of Sacred Heart Church, 200 W. Main St., Broussard. The Poker Run is a highlight of the Broussard Community Fair. Cost: \$20 per bike; \$10 per extra rider. Cash and door prizes, lots of music, games and food. More info: Clint Cormier, 337.636.0908.

The Big Easel Art Festival: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Town Square, River Ranch. Dozens of artists and artisans present their works in a festival that is free and open to the public. More info: Candace Greet at River Ranch Institute, 337.216.6529.

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