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President's Report

October 6, 2025

St. Bernard Parish Councilmembers and Residents,

Over the past two weeks, several projects and initiatives have continued to move St. Bernard Parish forward in a positive direction. Our crews and partners have been hard at work across multiple areas — from environmental cleanup and animal welfare to economic development and cultural preservation.

Environmental cleanup efforts remain ongoing, with approximately 9,500 feet of the 40 Arpent Canal cleared of invasive water hyacinth. Crews are continuing their work downstream to improve water flow and drainage efficiency throughout the parish.

At the St. Bernard Animal Shelter, a recent adoption event brought great results — five dogs and six cats found new homes thanks to the dedication of our Animal Services staff and volunteers. We extend our thanks to the community for supporting this effort and helping provide second chances to our parish's animals in need.

In the area of economic development, the St. Bernard Economic Development Foundation (SBEDF) celebrated two major milestones. The organization officially opened the St. Claude Collective, a shared workspace designed to foster collaboration among local entrepreneurs and small businesses. SBEDF also hosted its annual Startup St. Bernard Pitch Competition, where Limpiar, a digital platform for cleaning services, took home the grand prize and announced plans to establish its headquarters right here in St. Bernard Parish.

On the cultural and educational front, Nunez Community College, through a grant from the parish's Coastal Department, unveiled the Los Isleños Historical Archive. This new resource preserves and showcases our community's rich heritage through artifacts, photographs, video recordings, and oral histories, ensuring that the story of our Isleños families will be shared with future generations.

Public Works and Infrastructure Updates

Public Works crews continue to make steady progress across multiple job sites. At the Sheriff's Office annex building, crews are working underneath the building to fully seal the structure, including windows and foundation areas. Work at the Farmsite/Torres Lift Station is advancing with slabs completed, precast sections for the vault and wet well installed and grouted, and backfill approximately 80% complete. Contractors are now pulling sheeting around the well. The Riverbend Force Main team has finished boring under the canal and will begin pulling pipe this week. The Violet Canal Fence Project is scheduled to begin October 13, and crews are also wrapping up final punch list items on miscellaneous drainage projects parish wide.

New and Renewed Business

We continue to welcome new businesses and thank those who have renewed their occupational licenses this month. These enterprises represent continued confidence in our local economy and contribute to the growth and vitality of St. Bernard Parish.

Swift Balance Consulting, Personal Outlook on Reality, Southern Real Estate Professionals, Jackson Hewitt Tax Services, Premier Motors, Labyrinth Gaming, Gimme Some Sugar, Ortega's Maids Services, Bailey's Lawn Solutions, Primary Early Education Center, Dickey's Barbecue, Balloons Creations by Liz Gift Shop & More, Boss Body Babe, Marco Polo S.A.C, and Pierre Fine Furniture.

Upcoming Events

- **October 7 – Night Out Against Crime**

Neighborhoods across St. Bernard Parish will host 21 separate gatherings for this year's Night Out Against Crime. This annual event strengthens relationships between residents and law enforcement and serves as a reminder of the importance of community partnerships in keeping our neighborhoods safe. We thank the Sheriff's Office, neighborhood hosts, and residents for their participation and support.

- **October 11 – Fiesta Filipina @ Los Isleños Museum Complex**

Fiesta Filipina celebrates the vibrant Filipino-American community of St. Bernard Parish and its deep cultural ties to Louisiana. The event features live music, traditional dance, authentic cuisine, and family-friendly activities at the Los Isleños Museum Complex.

- **October 18 – St. Bernard Parish Seafood Market, Hopedale**

Beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Robin's Rock Dock, 6104 Hopedale Highway, this monthly market brings together local fishermen, seafood vendors, and community members for a morning of fresh catches, food, and fellowship on the bayou.

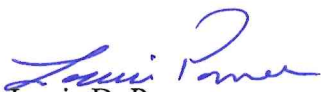
- **October 25 – Tour da Parish**

Hosted by the St. Bernard Chamber of Commerce, Tour da Parish is a family-friendly cycling event that begins and ends at the Los Isleños Heritage Site, 1357 Bayou Road. Participants can choose from multiple routes showcasing the beauty of St. Bernard Parish, with a finish-line celebration for riders and spectators. Registration is open now through active.com.

- **November 11 – Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony**

Please save the date for our annual Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony at 10:00 a.m. More information will be shared in an upcoming report, but we look forward to honoring our veterans and their families for their service and sacrifice.

Respectfully,



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Canals & Drainage:

- Dug 550 feet of ditches on Montesquieu, Stander, and W. Moreau.
- Completed 2,600 feet of ditch work behind Violet Cemetery and on C Street.
- Flush Truck Operations:
 - Ran 6,000 feet of drain lines on Oak, Acorn, Moss, and Lakewood, plus 1,100 feet on Daniel and Florida.
 - Flushed drains from Aycock and Esteban to Mustang drive on Judge Perez.
- Road Crew:
 - Cleaned the bike path on St. Bernard Highway from Paris Road to Arabi.
 - Removed an abandoned brick building on Aycock

Concrete:

- 547 E. Judge Perez – 128 sq. ft. sidewalk
- 3804 Jean Lafitte – 130 sq. ft. handicap ramp; 20 LF curb
- 2501 Lawrence – 32 sq. ft. sidewalk
- 2305 Edgar – 15 LF curb; 160 sq. ft. sidewalk
- 8330 Patricia – 140 sq. ft. sidewalk
- 52 Queens Court – 36 sq. ft. manhole in street
- 2428 Corrine – 126 sq. ft. driveway