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Fund-raiser to benefit Woodlands project

Plan is to construct recreational trails

Thursday, October 14, 2004

By **Jeanmarie Mayfield**

"Saturday Salon on the River" is the title for an afternoon filled with great music this Saturday to raise money for the Woodlands Trail and Park.

The event, which begins at 2 p.m. at the home of Laurent L. de la Gueronnier at 5201 River Road, will feature performances by soprano Katherine Celine Osborne and pianist James Jenkins, both renowned artists from the Washington, D.C., area. Tickets are \$50 and seating is limited.

The event is a fund-raiser for the Woodlands project to construct 19 miles of trails across Lower Coast Algiers and northern Belle Chasse for running, biking, walking, horseback riding, birding and in-line skating.

Officials with the Woodlands Trail and Park Inc. also held a reception recently to launch its Legacy Leaves fund-raising campaign. For information, call Carol Osborne Cowley at 391-9930 or visit the Web site at www.woodlandstrail.com.

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Aurora United Methodist Church will hold a work day Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon to prepare for the delivery of pumpkins for the church's Pumpkin Patch. For information, call 394-5483.

The Great Pumpkin Patch will open Tuesday at the church. Storytellers will be available Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Story time will be limited to 30 children per session, so reservations will be required. After-school hours will be held for scouts and other groups. Pumpkins also can be purchased at the patch. For information, call Shelly Neeb at 394-5483.

Aurora also will hold a blood drive Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Walk-ins are always welcome.

Also at Aurora United Methodist on Sunday, Ed Kilbourne, a popular artist known for his music, wit and insightful monologues, will perform in concert at 5:30 p.m.

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Kilbourne began folk singing in the early 1960s and toured across the country. He attended college and seminary and served as a United Methodist minister in Atlanta. For information, call the church office at 394-5483.

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Temple Black, public affairs officer for the Department of Homeland Security, will speak to the Algiers Morning Edition Kiwanis Club today at 7:30 a.m. at Aurora Country Club. Terry Tullier, director of emergency preparedness for the city of New Orleans, will speak Oct. 21.

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The Kiwanis Club of Algiers will meet today at 6:15 p.m. at Lakewood Country Club, 4801 Gen. de Gaulle Drive. The club has moved from its traditional Wednesday night meeting to Thursdays. For information, call secretary Ross H. Lessentine at 393-8565.

The Kiwanis clubs are working together to hold the second annual Herb Leopold Memorial Golf Tournament Friday at noon at Brechtel Golf Course. Entry fee is \$65 and hole sponsorships are available. For information, call Fred Fredrickson at 362-4761, Gary Bair at 391-0667 or Wil LaPointe at 393-7677.

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"Freedom Fighters: A Date with Destiny," a program of personal experiences and slides, will be presented by World War II veterans from the D-Day Museum on Saturday at 1 p.m. at the New Orleans main library, 219 Loyola Ave. For information, call 596-2619.

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A Native American cultural exchange program featuring Inaquan Lone White Eagle will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Hubbell Algiers Point Library, 725 Pelican Ave. The event will include storytelling and a presentation of objects from celebrations and everyday life. For information, call 596-2640.

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Aurora Garden Club will hold its annual barbecue Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. at the home of Fran and Jim Moorman. For information, call Beverly Anderson at 392-1367.

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The St. Andrews Gregarious Elders, or SAGES, will meet Monday at 11 a.m. in the activity center. For information, call 393-2334.

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Genealogy West Inc. will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Woodland House, 5837 Berkley Drive. Members and guests interested in genealogy are always welcome. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. For information, call Marge Lessentine at 393-8565.

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Kathy Lynn Honaker, executive director of the Algiers Economic Development

Foundation, will speak at the Rotary Club of Algiers meeting Wednesday at 12:30 a.m. at The Villas Building at Woldenberg Village, 3701 Behrman Place. The Rotary Club of Algiers is always looking for new members. For information, call Tina Bergeron at 361-3338 or email her at tinaberg_rotary@bellsouth.net.

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Welcome Neighbors will have a luncheon Wednesday at Lakewood Country Club.

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There will be a networking luncheon of the Archbishop Shaw High School Alumni Association Oct. 21 from noon to 1 p.m. at Aurora Country Club, 5244 Gen. de Gaulle. Buffet lunch is \$13 per person. Bring a friend or business contact to the meeting. The event is sponsored by Chef Emile Stieffel, class of 1970. For information, call David Stieffel at 367-2620.

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The Knights of Columbus Council 9107 will hold a golf tournament Oct. 30 at Lakewood Country Club. The shotgun start is at 1 p.m. Registration is \$60 and hole sponsorships are available. The entry fee includes a meal before the start, refreshments during the tournament, a free goody bag and great door prizes. Individual and team prizes will be awarded. For information, call 433-1916 or 256-6776.

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Aurora Civic Association met on Sept. 25 to reorganize its Neighborhood Watch and civic organization and to update the neighborhood directory. The group plans to meet on the last Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. at The Villas at Woldenberg Village. State Rep. Jim Tucker will speak Oct. 28. For information, call Ann Brett at 392-4337.

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