



Preserve St. Landry

Newsletter of the Preservationists of St. Landry, Inc.

WHO WE ARE

Preservationists of St. Landry, Inc., is a nonprofit dedicated to the maintenance and preservation of the historic Michel Prudhomme House (aka Ringrose) in Opelousas, Louisiana, as a tourist and cultural center.

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Snow!



The Prudhomme House and St. Landry Parish experienced a rare snow event on January 21, 2025. More than six inches of snow fell on parts of the parish, and temperatures dipped into single digits.

Historical Marker

Lt. Gov. Billy Nungesser was on hand on November 5 for the dedication of the new historical marker placed in front of the house.



The marker was provided by a grant from the William Pomeroy Foundation, wgpfoundation.org.

Speaker Series



On April 10, 2025, our Speaker Series featured Larry Callier, II, Parish Archivist, employed by Clerk of Court Charlie Jagneau. Records in the St. Landry Parish Courthouse go back more than 250 years, to a time when the Parish boundaries reached all the way to the Texas line. Families from all over the country who are seeking to learn more about their roots can contact Larry for help in finding documents relating to land sales, births, deaths, and marriages.

Picnic on the Lawn



Dozens of supporters showed up on November 3 for the Picnic on the Lawn. This popular event is one of two annual fundraisers conducted at the house.

Visitors

At the Prudhomme House, visitors include school groups, nursing home residents, and local organizations. On March 17, Marina Calland, a graduate of Opelousas Catholic now living in London, was given a tour of the house by James Douget and Etha Amling.

Repairs to the Front Gallery

The cross beams and joists at the home were replaced by a local construction crew. Additional repairs will be made to the second floor columns in the near future.

Brunch on May 4

Jason Huguet was the chef for the annual brunch that was held on the grounds. The weather was beautiful and the board members and volunteers were up early to set out of the tables, chairs, and place settings.

