

Sixth FAN Club Meeting of the 2023-2024 Season

Wednesday February 7th 2024

The sixth meeting of the season was held on Wednesday February 7th, 2024. Margaret opened the meeting at 7 pm with a salute to the flag and a moment of silence. No new members tonight. February birthdays were identified, and we sang Happy Birthday to the celebrants.

Margaret welcomed all of us to the Murder at Mardi Gras. Tony Caliendo was the narrator who introduced the actors. Janice Galante aka Bourbon DuPre is a jazz musician. Donna Lemanowicz aka Alexie DuPre the socialite daughter of the murdered victim. Pat Oravetz aka Mellssa F. DuPre wife of the murdered victim from Las Vegas. Margaret Rom aka Mathew "Gator" Crovitz a boy from the Bayou who is madly in love with Alexis. Joyce Huffert aka Connika Gothika is an eccentric novelist who lives next door to the murder victim. Carol Caliendo aka J. Stephen Peek, the family lawyer as well as the murdered victim's closest friend and confidant. Betty Smolen aka Cayenne Pepper is the family chef and an aspiring actor. And Laura O'Connor aka Elise St. Gresch the young and attractive live-in maid at the murder victim's home.

The audience was instructed to listen to each actor carefully and based on motive means and opportunity vote who was the person that killed Pierre DuPre. After Act 1, we Pierre DuPre. Act 2 followed where each actor confessed their feelings for the murdered victim. One person fessed up that they were the killer. When the votes were tallied, there were 7 correct guesses. The 7 names were put into a bucket, The first ticket was pulled by the murderer. There were 4 prizes - \$25 gift certificates to Lidl's or Aldi's.

When all was said and done of our little murder mystery production, where all actors performed their roles well - Pat Oravetz stole the show and won the best actress award.

Bill Schultz was on board for the Big Bucks drawing. The \$220 went to Janemarie and Paul Kovarcik who were the lucky winners tonight.

We broke for dessert and coffee. The lucky winner of the Food Bank donations netted \$19. The 50/50 pull gave 3 people \$25 apiece.

As a reminder, March is open. We are unsuccessfully trying to reach Antique Roadshow Appraisers to fill our March slot. We are planning on the Alpacas in April and Karaoke Night in May. June will be our end of season party. Details being worked on.

Margaret Rom president

Brenda Terhune treasurer & secretary