



Rubboard Capital of the World

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# Speaking of Sunset!



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## One Call Now Alert System

The Town of Sunset has launched its "One Call Now" system, which delivers notification to customers when an emergency occurs. One Call Now rapidly contacts a large number of residents about emergency situations which include boil advisories, main breaks, and other major events impacting the community. Town Hall will also use the system for non-urgent notifications such as planned service outages, smoking the sewer lines, hydrant flushing, and other non-urgent notifications.

One Call Now is the fastest and most efficient way to get real time information to Sunset residents using text, email or phone calls. Residents will choose their preferred method of communication. (standard text, data and phone rates may apply)

To take advantage of the One Call Now system, residents can call Town Hall and provide the information needed or fill out the form on the back of the newsletter and drop it off at Town Hall. Your information will not be shared and is safe and secure .

If you enroll in the One Call Now services and wish to stop or opt-out of receiving the information, it's easy.

- To opt-out from receiving text messages, on your cell phone, open a blank text mes-

sage. In the recipient field, type 22300. In the message field, type Stop and then, click Send.

- While listening to a message on your phone, press the Star (\*) key to remove your phone number from the group's list. This is an immediate opt-out and, if your phone is a cell phone, you will be opted out.
- At the bottom of an email message, click the Opt-Out link to remove your email address from the group's list. This is an immediate opt-out.
- On the main One Call Now site, on the top right, click Menu, then click to select Opt Out. The Phone/Email Removal Request page displays. Complete the form, then click Submit.
- You can also contact Town Hall @ 337-662-5296 and asked to be removed.

The Town of Sunset has launched this service based on requests made by residents to be more informed. If you have more questions, please stop by Town Hall or call.



## Town Hall Meeting Snapshot

- Approval of resolution to adjust meter fees
- Approval of ordinance to assess costs for tampering with water meters
- Introduction of 2018-2019 Budget ordinance
- Working on trademarking Rubboard Capital of the World
- 2018 SunFest a success with help from town employees, "Yes, I Can", Sunset Queens, Jonathan Williams, Melissa Priemeaux and several other volunteers
- Properties purchased-Sunset Park & property where 1st school was.
- Dumestil Property has zoning issues
- Gas line breaks-no town maps, but working on them
- Town has sand bags-fill yourself
- July 11, physical inspection for Fire Rating
- Water line flushing starting in July-6-8 weeks to complete

**Next Town Hall meeting July 12, 2018, 6:00pm @ the Community Center**





## From the Mayor's Desk

Greetings from the Mayor:

The gathering of family and friends is the hallmark of holidays like Fathers' Day. My hope for all the Fathers is that however you chose to celebrate your holiday it was filled with peace and appreciation for what you mean to the family. For as Michael J. Fox said, "Family is not an important thing, Family is everything."

On Tuesday, June 2nd, the Sunset community assembled to celebrate the Town of Sunset being named Rubboard Capital of the World by the Louisiana Legislature. With the unveiling of the giant Rubboard by Lieutenant Governor Billy Nungesser, a new era in the cultural and economic future of our community began. During the ceremony the Lieutenant Governor spoke to the potential benefits of the designation "Rubboard Capital of the World." He went on to pledge support for efforts to define and develop those potential benefits. Other dignitaries attending the unveiling were Senator Gerald Boudreaux, and Kristina Edwards, from Representative Dustin Miller's office, who delivered a proclamation in honor of the event. Also present were Parish and local elected officials, members from the Tourism Commission and Chamber of Commerce. A special thanks to Dori and Dwayne Janise who donated the Giant Rubboard to the community and for their tireless work in helping to obtain the designation. Thanks to everyone who worked to make the ceremony a success.

The 2019 Budget Process was the main topic on the Town's June meeting agenda. In brief, our accounting firm reported the overall financial condition of the town was good. However, they reported that due to an increase in the cost of operation for the gas, water, and sewer systems they would recommend an increase in the cost of our utility services to cover the rising cost of operations. Their analysis indicated the citizens of Sunset have some of the lowest utility rates in the area and raising rates should be considered to ensure that each system is self-sufficient. Therefore, the board was asked to consider rate increases that would generate about 30 thousand dollars to cover the increases in operating cost across all of the systems. Please see the spreadsheet below for proposed changes.

### TOWN HALL

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Sunset, LA 70584

Phone: 337-662-5296

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Email:

tsunset@centurytel.net



Volunteers don't necessarily have the time: they just have the heart!



If you have information on upcoming events or interesting articles please send them to speakingofsunset@yahoo.com

Thank you  
Melissa Primeaux

#### CURRENT RATES

GAS		WATER		SEWER	
Ist 500 Cubic Feet	\$11.88	IST 2000 GALS	\$10.00	Residential	Commercial
Per Cubic Feet Thereafter	\$1.25	Per 1000 GALS Thereafter	\$1.14	\$6.50	\$10.00
				\$1.25	\$1.25

#### NEW RATES

GAS		WATER		SEWER	
Ist 500 Cubic Feet	\$12.15	IST 2000 GALS	\$11.00	Residential	Commercial
Per Cubic Feet Thereafter	\$1.35	Per 1000 GALS Thereafter	\$1.30	\$8.00	\$11.50
				\$1.50	\$1.50

We are researching ways to further improve the quality of water in the system. Currently we are considering the installation of a filtration system that would eliminate or greatly reduce the amount of manganese, iron and other minerals that are naturally occurring elements in the well. With the installation of the filtration system, we further expect to eliminate the chemicals currently being used to treat the water in the system. The proposed increases to the cost of service do not include funding for the filtration system. The expectation is that the system will be funded by grants or a low interest loan.

The St. Landry Parish School Board recently appointed Mrs. Barbara Roberson as the Principal of Beau Chene High School. I am certain there are many challenges both internal and external lining the path that is chosen to create a positive and productive learning experience for our children. We, the citizens of the Sunset Community, recognize we are a large part of the Beau Chene High School family and sincerely desire to work with the principal, faculty and staff for the success of the school. With that, we commit to do what we can to make the path smooth and her goals a reality. To the mayors of Cankton, Grand Coteau, Arnaudville and Leonville, I say, "See you in the hallways".

Have a Great Summer!  
Mayor James

# Calendar of Events



## Summer Programs

### Children Activities



**Friday Movie Matinee**  
July 6, 13, 27



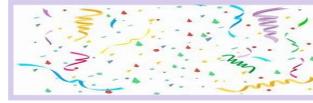
**Story Time** Age: Lap sit-5 years  
July 11, 18, 25  
Time: 10:15-10:45am



**Saturday Game Days** Ages: 6-up  
July 14, 21, 28  
Time: 1:30-3:30pm



**Tween Tech** Age: 10-12  
July 14 11am-1pm



**Confetti Park** Age: 6-12  
July 19 2pm

Confetti Park, a New Orleans based children's media workshop, presents The Little Mouse Santi. Join us for this family-friendly book reading and audience interactive performance with author David Eugene Ray.



**Slime Club Class** Age: 9-12  
Friday July 20th 3:30-5pm

### Young Adult Activities



**Teen Reading Club** Age 13 & up  
Saturday July 7 1-2pm  
The teens are reading *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein.



**ACT Practice Review**  
July 21 10am-1:45pm

All participants must sign up on the following website:  
[www.princetonreview.com/southstlandry](http://www.princetonreview.com/southstlandry)

### Adult Activities



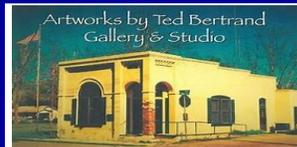
**Computer Class-Tablets (Part 1)**  
Tuesday July 3 10:00-12:00

**Computer Class-Tablets & Email (Part 2)**



**Friends Book Club**  
Tuesday July 3 1-3pm

**Independence Day**  
July 4



**Open House at Artworks by Ted Bertrand**  
July 6 - 5:30pm-8pm

New artist featured monthly, live music, and refreshments  
855 Napoleon Ave, Sunset

## Upcoming Events



**July 7, 14, 21, 28 8am-12pm**  
@ 832 Napoleon Avenue, Sunset  
For market or vendor info call 337-662-FARM

**St Landry Parish Schools**  
Start  
August 9



## Summer Break



**Exit 11 Yard Sale**  
September 15



**July 6 & 20 @ 10:30 am at Community Center**  
Please call Joann Mayfield @ 337-298-7066 or  
Shirley James @ 337-945-5043 with any questions

**Household Hazardous  
Waste Day**  
November 3



**Survivors of Suicide Support Group (18yrs and older)**  
**July 24 - 5:30pm-7:30pm**  
South St. Landry Community Library 235 Marie St, Sunset, 70584  
More information contact Kim Juneau 337-540-8910  
Sunset 337-331-5577 Grand Coteau 337-313-4448

**Election Day**  
November 6

**Town Hall Meeting  
City Court**

**July 12  
July 9**

**at 6:00 pm at Community Center  
at 2:00 pm at Community Center**

## Sunset Flushing Fire Hydrants

The town of Sunset will start flushing fire hydrants in July. Flushing hydrants is very important for the maintenance of the town's water distribution system. The purpose of flushing the hydrants is to enhance water quality by removing sediments from inside the mainline and flushing them out through the hydrant, it identifies malfunctions of the hydrant and valves, it helps determine weaknesses in the water distribution system, identifies inadequate water volumes and pressures, and helps determine fire flows at the hydrant.

When a hydrant is being flushed you may encounter a temporary drop in the water pressure or brown or cloudy water. After the process you can clear your lines by running water until it is clear.

You can also check the screens in your faucets to make sure there is no debris clogged in them.

The flushing hydrants process will take 6-8 weeks to complete. If you have any problems or questions, please call town hall.



## Around Town 2018 Sunset Community SunFest



Special thanks to Town of Sunset, Melissa Primeaux and family, Dwight and "Yes I Can", Jonathan Williams, Karren Hill, Janise's Supermarket, Raising Canes, Funky Flea, Bayou Some Stuff, Lafayette Modern Dentistry, Louisiana National Guard, Sunset Queens, St Landry Sheriffs Department, Sunset Volunteer Fire Department, and all the volunteers that assisted.

Get the latest information by text, on town emergencies. Cut, complete, and return to Town Hall

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

