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Creating Beauty ~ Cultivating Community

OCTOBER
General Meeting

OCTOBER 7
6:30 PM

MARY'S ACE HARDWARE

ACE
The helpful place.

732 North Rampart Street
New Orleans, LA 70116

Guest Speaker:
Cassandra Sanchez
Lycee Francais School



Halloween Decorating Contest

October 22, 2026

Email: admin@patioplanter.net
to enter your home

PATIO PLANTERS 80th BIRTHDAY PARTY!

THE 80's

CELEBRATING 80 YEARS OF CREATING BEAUTY • CULTIVATING COMMUNITY



TOTALLY RAD!
TOTALLY AWESOME!
TOTALLY 80's!



80's MOVIE FAVORITES

- ★ BACK TO THE FUTURE
- ★ E.T.
- ★ GHOSTBUSTERS
- ★ TOP GUN
- ★ THE BREAKFAST CLUB
- ★ INDIANA JONES

COME DRESSED IN YOUR BEST 80's ATTIRE!

THINK:

- NEON COLORS
- LEG WARMERS
- MEMBERS ONLY JACKETS
- SHOULDER PADS
- ACID-WASH JEANS
- FINGERLESS GLOVES
- BIG HAIR
- AVIATOR SUNGLASSES

80's POP CULTURE

- ★ MIAMI VICE
- ★ DYNASTY
- ★ MTV
- ★ PAC-MAN
- ★ RUBIK'S CUBE
- ★ NINTENDO

BEST 80's COSTUME CONTEST!

80's FUN & GAMES!

- RUBIK'S CUBE CHALLENGE
- PAC-MAN & ARCADE GAMES
- NAME THAT 80's TUNE
- 80's TRIVIA CONTEST
- RETRO PHOTO BOOTH



DATE:
NOVEMBER 1, 2026



TIME:
4-7PM



LOCATION:
URSULINE CONVENT



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80's



PATIO PLANTERS
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80 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP, PRESERVATION & COMMUNITY

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You're Invited to an **80's PARTY!**

Dear Friends,

Dust off your leg warmers, tease up your hair, and get ready to travel back to the decade of big hair, neon colors, cassette tapes, and unforgettable fun!

Join us for our **80's Party** as we celebrate 80 years of Patio Planters. Join us for an evening filled with laughter, memories, music, and a whole lot of 80's nostalgia. The decade that brought us Rubik's Cubes, arcade games, boom boxes, and some of the most memorable trends in American culture is sure to be fun.

Come dressed in your favorite 80's attire—neon colors, shoulder pads, Members Only jackets, parachute pants, acid-wash jeans, or your best rock star look. Or you may want to dress as some of our 80's icons or favorite movies. The possibilities are endless.

The 1980s gave us some of the most iconic moments in pop culture. Consider dressing as **Madonna, Michael Jackson, Prince, Journey, Bon Jovi, Whitney Houston, and Cyndi Lauper**, or others while reminiscing about the days when MTV changed music forever.

Movie lovers can dress as characters in classic films such as *Back to the Future*, *Top Gun*, *The Breakfast Club*, *E.T.*, *Ghostbusters*, *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*, and *Dirty Dancing*. Whether you were a fan of action heroes, teen comedies, or sci-fi adventures, the 80's had something for everyone.

We'll enjoy great food, music, and plenty of opportunities to share stories about the history of 80 years of Patio Planters.

We hope you'll join us as we celebrate the sights, sounds, and spirit of the 1980s. It's sure to be a *totally awesome* evening!

Party Details

Date: November 1, 2026
Time: 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Location: Ursuline Convent
1112 Chartres Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

We look forward to celebrating with you and reliving the decade that taught us that *"Girls Just Want to Have Fun"* and that nobody puts Baby in a corner!

Totally Awesome Regards,

Patio Planters of the Vieux Carré



BACK
TO THE
80's



80
YEARS
—OF—
**BEAUTY
&
FRIENDSHIP**



GOOD
MUSIC
BRIGHT
PEOPLE
GREAT
TIMES





PATIO PLANTERS

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80th

Birthday Party

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

4 PM – 7 PM

URSULINE CONVENT

1112 CHARTRES STREET

The Patio Planters 80th Birthday Party is on November 1 at the Ursuline Convent from 4pm–7pm. The organization will furnish the main course and we are asking members to bring sides.

Click on the link below and scroll down you will see the categories we have included. We placed a limit on each so that the food will be more evenly spread out.

Please consider volunteering for one of these categories by clicking on link.

[Click here](#)

Barbara Richmond- President 1985-1987

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR *Patio Planters* 80th BIRTHDAY

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Vieux
Carré



Dear Lea:

 When Bob and I moved to the Quarter from Uptown, our former Uptown neighbors, Marion and Bart Darby (Bart Darby was TV's Channel 6 Weatherman!), having only moved here six months before, introduced us to Patio Planters.

This was April 1, 1974, and our first function was the June Birthday Party held in the Baus Garden on Gov. Nicholls. We met so many people!

When the White Elephant Sale and Auction rolled around in the fall, Bob Abramson asked us to help him serve wine and food prepared by Stewart Gahn and Lois Carson. This event was held in the old St. Mary's Gym on Gov. Nicholls and Chartres.

Barb and Dave Bowen asked us to help with the herb garden at the museum pharmacy on Chartres. We would work on Saturday mornings and then venture to our court yard for a light lunch.

Time went on and I became president in 1985-86 and 1986-87. We have had some wonderful times among our Patio Planter's neighbors.

*Sincerely,
Barbara Richmond*


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Tom Mayer- President 1992-1993



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

DEAR *Patio Planters*

80th BIRTHDAY

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Dear Lea:

 On a beautiful Mardi Gras weekend in 1989, I was fortunate enough to be at a party where I met Betty Ellis and Barbara Richmond. They asked if we were members of Patio Planters. When I replied no, I was told I needed to join. It was the start of a very pleasurable association.

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The highlight of my presidency in 1992 was the very successful Secret Garden's Tour. Thanks to a great board and the members, who each gave their all, we had visitors from all over the country and even some foreigners. It rained that year for Caroling, also. It was still great standing on the stage and seeing all the people singing with their candles lit.

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The Patio Planters has made living in the French Quarter a real joy for both Linda and me. I can't think of a better way of meeting and getting to know your neighbors.

*Sincerely,
Tom Maher*


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OCTOBER IN NEW ORLEANS

MUSIC • FOOD • CULTURE • TRADITION

There's Always Something Happening Here

 NOLA x NOLA MUSIC • FOOD • CULTURE	NOLA x NOLA September 24 – October 4, 2026	
 NATIONAL FRIED CHICKEN FESTIVAL	National Fried Chicken Festival October 2 – 4, 2026	 <i>Good Food Brings Us Together</i>
 Crescent City Blues & BBQ FESTIVAL	Crescent City Blues & BBQ Festival October 9 – 11, 2026	 BLUES BBQ & A BETTER NEW ORLEANS
 Oktoberfest DEUTSCHES HAUS	Oktoberfest October 9 – 10, 16 – 17, 23 – 24, 2026	 <i>Prost Y'all!</i>
 NOLA FUNK FEST	NOLA Funk Fest October 16 – 18, 2026	 LET THE GOOD TIMES FUNK
 KREWE OF BOO!	Krewe of BOO! October 24, 2026	 A SPOOKTACULAR PARADE
 Halloween IN NEW ORLEANS	Halloween October 31, 2026	 SAME MOON. A DIFFERENT KIND OF MAGIC.
 FRERET STREET FESTIVAL MUSIC • ARTS • FOOD • COMMUNITY	Freret Street Festival October 31, 2026	 GOOD MUSIC GOOD PEOPLE GREAT NEIGHBORS

ONLY IN NEW ORLEANS

(Artwork by Amzie Adams)



2026

Soirée in the Vieux Carré

Preservation and restoration of Historic BK House & Gardens is the purest form of celebrating our Bicentennial.

**SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 11, 2026
6 TO 9 PM
1113 CHARTRES ST.**

This year marks a momentous milestone in the story of Historic BK House & Gardens: two centuries since the house was constructed in 1826! Patron and Individual tickets are now on sale for this Bicentennial capstone fundraiser and celebration.



HISTORIC BK HOUSE & GARDENS
—1826—2026—

Patio Planters Birthday Guests

IF THEY JOIN
PATIO PLANTERS
THAT NIGHT
THEIR \$10
ENTRANCE FEE WILL
GO TOWARD THEIR
MEMBERSHIP FEE!

**Their membership will
be for the remainder of
2024 and all of 2025!**



**Patio Planters
Birthday Party**
**Relive your dating
days by having a
double date for the
Birthday party.**

**Additional non-member guest may
attend for a \$10 fee. See info below
for special deal.**