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MARDI

December 31st

Metal NYE Celebration
(Siberia) (9 p.m.)
*Goatbore, Gasmiasma, Abyssmal
Lord, Ossarux and DJ Chrischarge*

Soul Train: DJ Soul Sister's 11th
annual NYE Party
One Eyed Jacks (10 p.m.)
Open bar and classics for \$50

NYE Kids' Countdown to
2014

**Children's Museum, (9:30
a.m.-2:30 p.m.)**
*Before the adults break out their
noisemakers and start acting like
children, the Children's Museum is
counting down to noon!*

Zoo Year's Eve
**Audubon Zoo (10:30 a.m.-1
p.m.)**

The Imagination Movers are
providing the music, and
Audubon is giving out the
noisemakers.

Fireworks on the River
Jackson Square (9 p.m.)
*Eric Lindell and the Honey Island
Swamp Band perform for free,
followed by a ten minute firework
display on the Mississippi*

Bellocq's NYE Bash
Bellocq (8 p.m.)
*DJ Bunny and DJ Ann
playing retro Soul, Funk, R&B
and NOLA classics*

Rebirth Brass Band
Maple Leaf Bar (10p.m.)
2 sets by the Grammy-winning
brass band

Kermit Ruffins & The BBQ
Swingers
Bullet's Sports Bar (7p.m.)
*Come see Kermit at home in the 7th
Ward, and get to bed early*

Crescent City Farmers Market
**Broadway St Market
(9a.m.-1p.m.)**
Weekly Tues Gig- Uptown
edition of the city's prime local
market

Treme Brass Band
d.b.a (10p.m.)
*The 6th Ward's home brass band
saunters over to Frenchmen for some
New Orleans music.*

MERCREDI

January 1st

Ledisi
Café Istanbul (7 p.m.)
Exclusive listening party

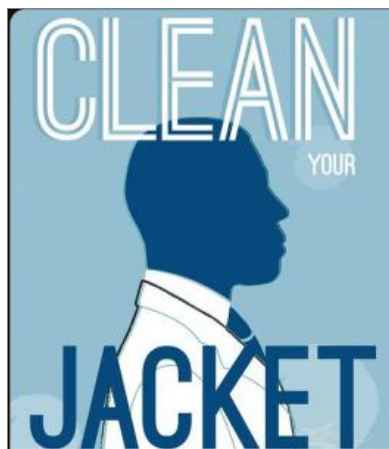
Kwanzaa: Imani
**Rev. Percy Griffin
Community Cultural Center**

CRIME

EXPUNGEMENT DAY OFFERS HELP WITH CLEANING CRIMINAL RECORDS

Posted Friday, September 27th, 2013 by NoDef Staff

A local organization is looking to clear 500 people of criminal records. But don't worry, they're not letting anyone out of OPP, or facilitating the next [Angola Prison Break](#). Instead, the Justice and Accountability Center is looking to remove barriers for people who are looking to leave their past dealings with the justice system behind. On Saturday, the JAC is hosting Expungement Day. The event, nicknamed Clean Your Jacket Day, will be held at the Christian Unity Baptist Church (1700 Conti St.), from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.



Expungement offers the chance for people who have been convicted or accused in non-violent crimes to have their criminal records sealed. For those who have been convicted of a nonviolent crime, either misdemeanor or felony charges can be expunged. The process is also available to people who have been charged with a crime, but saw the statute of limitations run out, or saw charges refused. Only the courts can officially expunge a record, but lawyers will be onhand to assist in the process.

According to the Justice and Accountability Center's Ameca Reali, expungement enables people to pass criminal background checks, which opens up a variety of options for people in the state that is known as the incarceration capital of the world. Having a clean criminal record can help people get a job, qualify for public housing, get into school and secure visitation rights for their children, Reali said.

"We're allowing them to disengage from the criminal justice system," she said.

Those wishing to partake in the process must bring a copy of their criminal record, expungement forms required by the Clerk of Court, and a copy of courtroom minutes or docket master. All documents must be retrieved prior to the event.

The JAC is partnering with the Urban League of Greater New Orleans, Foundation for Louisiana, SEIU and other attorneys for the event.

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NOMA
New Orleans Museum of Art

(15577 Hwy. 15, Brathwaite)
(11a.m.-2p.m.)

*It's the last of the 7-day observance,
honoring the principle of Imani, or
Faith*

Walter Wolfman Washington
d.b.a. (10 p.m.)

*Fiery blues on Frenchmen - every
week*

Major Bacon

Banks Street Bar (10 p.m.)

Blues rock and BLTs!

SIN Night

Country Club (All Day)

*Weekly Wed Gig- \$3 martinis and
free admission for the service industry
folks.*

Mississippi Rail Co.

Maple Leaf Bar (10p.m.)

Blues on Oak St.

Tin Men

dba (7p.m.)

*Weekly Wed Gig- The world's
premiere washboard-sousaphone-
guitar trio.*

Treme Brass Band

Candlelight Lounge (9p.m.)

*Weekly Wed Gig- Pass on by and
see the 6th Ward's home band.*

JEUDI

January 2nd

Sugar Bowl

Super Dome (7:30 p.m.)

*It's the Oklaboma Sooners vs.
Alabama's Crimson Tide*

Cirque d'Licious

Hi-Ho Lounge (10p.m.)

*Ginger Licious hosts cabaret,
burlesque, vaudeville and more!*

Stooges Brass Band

Spice Bar & Grill (8p.m.)

Stooges on N. Broad St. No cover!

Soul Rebels

Les Bon Temps Roule

(11p.m.)

Roll with the Rebels on Magazine

-Stephen Babcock


A screenshot of a Facebook comment box. It features a text input field with the placeholder "Add a comment...", a "Post to Facebook" checkbox, and a "Comment" button. The user is identified as "Justice and Accountabiit..." and the post is tagged with "(Change)".

Facebook social plugin

Like 24 people like this. Be
the first of your
friends.

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9TH WARD NEW ORLEANS EXPUNGEMENT EXPUNGEMENT DAY

A vertical advertisement for "NOLA Til Ya Die". At the top is a skull logo with Facebook and Twitter icons. Below the logo, the text "NOLA Til Ya Die" is written in a stylized font. Two small photos show people at a bar. Below the photos, it says "Apparel & Accessories for Everyone!" and "nolatilyadie.com".A circular logo for "ERIN ROSE NOLA" featuring a red rose on a green clover. Below the logo, the text reads: "811 Confi New Orleans LA. 504-523-8819 erinrosebar.com".A vertical advertisement for "Euclid RECORDS". It features a photo of a man in a white lab coat and sunglasses holding a vinyl record. The text includes "3401 CHARTRES 504 947-4348" and "BUY SELL TRADE CDS AND VINYL".