2017 MCVG Bayou Boogaloo Bicycle Pub Crawl (9th Annual) Fundraiser for MotherShip Foundation and The Mid-City Volleyball Group \$20.00 suggested donation Saturday, May 20, 2017 ~8:45 a.m. to ~1:30 p.m.

You are responsible for providing your own bicycle and helmet. The route is short and the pace is slow: the goal is to have a good time as we appreciate our city on the way to the Bayou Boogaloo. It is a fundraiser for both the MotherShip Foundation, which puts on the Bayou Boogaloo, and The Mid-City Volleyball Group, which invites all to play volleyball at the location of the Bayou Boogaloo practically every weekend of the year except during the festival. We ask for a \$20.00 donation for the ride, and along the way you will be treated to some free food, music and local history. Both alcoholic and nonalcoholic drinks are available at each stop for purchase.

Gathering point: doors open at 8:30am at the Homedale Inn, 618 Homedale St. The Homedale Inn is a "real New Orleans" neighborhood bar in the base of Lakeview, and owners Bob and Perry are excited to be part of this year's MCVG Bayou Boogaloo Bicycle Pub Crawl. Officially the pub crawl will begin at 9:00am, but doors will open approximately 30 minutes early for those who wish to get a jump on the festivities. We'll need to collect liability waivers from everyone, so if you haven't printed and filled out the forms ahead of time please plan to arrive a bit early to take care of paperwork. We'll be set up at a picnic table in the back patio.

9:00a.m.-9:45a.m. at the Homedale Inn, 618 Homedale St. This dog-friendly establishment has been operating since August 25, 1937 and is the oldest business in Lakeview. It's a tiny place, but it's well stocked with over 30 domestic and imported beers. They have Guinness, Abita Amber and Miller High Life on draft and a full service bar with over 80 brands. As Mel Waiters sings "the smaller the club, the bigger the party!"

9:50a.m.-10:35a.m. at Rosedale Restaurant, 801 Rosedale Dr. This out-of-the-way restaurant is not far from our first stop and is one of Lakeview's newest businesses. It is operated by famed chef Susan Spicer out of a building that once served as the 3rd District Police Station. Check the windows for jail cell bars! Speaking of bars, this restaurant has a small bar area that offers a variety of local beers on draft as well as wine and cocktails. If the crowd is too big for the relatively small bar, there's a back patio facing the railroad tracks for overflow. If all goes well, this comfortable outdoor seating space will one day abut an extension of the Lafitte Greenway.

10:40a.m.-11:25a.m. at Second Line Brewing, 433 N. Bernadotte St. Another short ride will get us to Second Line Brewing, a Mid-City microbrewery that has been operational since July 2015. This business also is adjacent to the infrequently used railroad tracks and hopes to someday be an easy stop for riders of the Lafitte Greenway. Despite its industrial setting, owners Karen and Mark Logan (and manager Abby Willets) have made the place charming and inviting. The Beer Garden is open Friday through Sunday with occasional movies on Wednesdays. Craft beers are available on premises, and a 64oz Growler can be purchased for on-the-go drinkers. Brewery tours are regularly given, and food trucks generally park in the vicinity. If you're not from Mid-City, this pocket of fun might well strike you as a hidden gem.

11:40a.m.-12:25p.m. at Seven Three Distilling Company, 301 N. Claiborne Ave. We'll have about a 15 minute ride to get to our next stop on the other side of Bayou St John. The Seven Three Distilling Company gets its name from the 73 neighborhoods that comprise New Orleans city proper. This distillery and event space will surely be this year's cutting-edge discovery as they are newly opened for business. They've been busy for a few months concocting sensational liquor from locally sourced ingredients, but the Tasting Room to my knowledge has not yet caught the public's attention. This space is not only a place to go to sample unique vodka, gin, rum and whiskey, it is a place to go to soak up some of the Tremé neighborhood's great history. 73 Distilling Co is proud to carry on the social and cultural traditions of New Orleans.

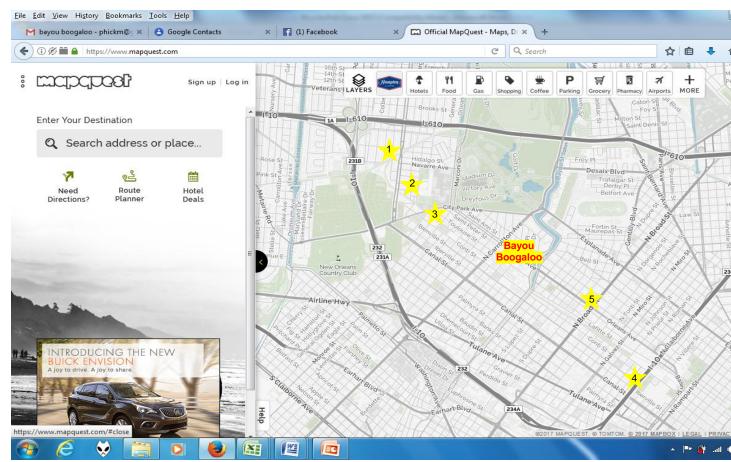
12:30p.m.-1:15p.m. at the Zulu Social Aid and Pleasure Club, 732 N. Broad St. The Zulu Club hardly needs an introduction at this point as this stop has been the crowd favorite for each of the previous eight years. The Zulu SA&PC will have the distinction of being this year's grand finale, and I suspect that the Diamondcutters and other Zulu members will once again generously provide a plate of food along with an exhilarating performance by the Pinstripe Brass Band. The Zulu headquarters is a special place to be, indeed!

Following the Zulu Club euphoria, we'll ride straight up Orleans Ave to the Bayou Boogaloo. If the arrangement of the festival is the same as last year, there will be ample bicycle parking right at Orleans Ave.

To get an accurate head count for the bicycle ride, please register on-line at www.midcityvolleyball.org or www.thebayouboogaloo.com. You can also contact Peter Hickman, the organizer of the MCVG Bayou Boogaloo Bicycle Pub Crawl, directly at phickm@gmail.com or (504)427-1207.

MotherShip Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) charity organization dedicated to encouraging social change by bringing forth a higher quality of life for all Louisiana and New Orleans residents through the promotion of arts, culture and recreation.

The Mid-City Volleyball Group is a non-profit 501(c)(4) social welfare organization whose mission is to create a safe public space in Mid-City New Orleans where residents can enjoy outdoor activity, reduce stress and build community through the shared experience of playing beach volleyball.



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