

**Evangeline Parish Library Presents its
2011 Family Book & Culture Fest 363-1369**

Civic Center, Ville Platte
Saturday,
October 8, 2011
8 am — Noon



CARNIVAL OF BOOKS

:) FREE ADMISSION :)



- ⇒ **“Vendor Cash” Coupon Drawing Prizes**
- ⇒ **Vendor & Community Booths & Live Entertainment**
- ⇒ **Author Talks by:**
*Nancy K. Duplechain, John Lafleur,
& Linda LeBert–Corbello*
- ⇒ **F.O.L. Huge Used Book Sale**

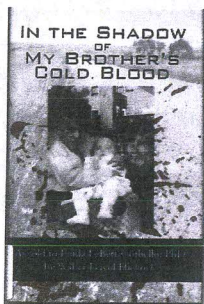
8 am	FRIENDS Book Sale Begins!
8 - 10 am	KVPI Live Remote & Tribute
9 -11am	Balloon Twisting & Face Painting by Troubles & Rainbow of Oooh!Aaah! Productions
	Meet YOUR Sonic Mascot Music by “Et T-Mon”
10 -11:30 am	Author Talks in the Hall Conference Room

FRIENDS FOOD SALES :)

Our Featured Authors

10 am – Linda LeBert-Corbello

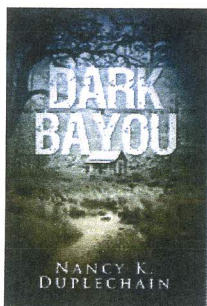
Dr. LeBert-Corbello served as an educator in Calcasieu parish for thirty one years. She was a school librarian, elementary school principal, Director of the Curriculum Materials Center and a Professor in the Department of Teacher Education at McNeese State University She also worked as an online instructor in the doctoral program for Walden University for a period of 4 years. She now works as the Director of the Jefferson Davis Parish Library system and has been in this position since 2003. Her library system received the James O. Modisette Award for Public Libraries in Spring 2008. She has been a member of the Women's Commission of Southwest Louisiana since 1996. She is married to Gregory Corbello. The two now share 7 grandchildren.



About the book: Ms. Lebert-Corbello was approached by Walter David Hickock in 2005 about writing his story. She was stunned to actually meet the brother of murderer Richard Hickock. Richard Hickock was the infamous murderer featured in Truman Capote's *In Cold Blood*. Her hope is that this book allows others to think about their own lives and ways in which to change hurtful realities.

10:30 am – Nancy K. Duplechain

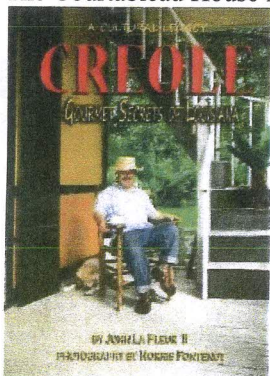
Nancy is a native of Ville Platte, LA., the seat of Evangeline Parish, one of twenty-two parishes that make up Acadiana, also known as Cajun Country. Nancy graduated from Sacred Heart High School in 1997. For several years, she worked at her home town radio station, Ville Platte's legendary *KVPI*, before starting college at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, where she graduated in 2005 with a degree in general studies and a concentration in English, emphasizing creative writing and literary studies. A year after her father passed, Nancy moved to Los Angeles in 2008 to pursue a career in screenwriting. One year after moving to L. A., she went back home for a visit. While taking a swamp tour with her friends, the mystery and beauty of the area became a great inspiration to her. She returned to her small studio apartment in Hollywood and began writing *Dark Bayou*, which was to become her first novel.



About the book: When Leigh Benoit returns home for the funeral of her brother and his wife, she becomes increasingly concerned about the welfare of her orphaned niece, Lyla. Deep in the dark waterways of South Louisiana, lies the secret of the Dark force that threatens each thread of the fabric of Leigh's family. Can Leigh shed her doubts and muster the strength to uncover the secret that threatens her niece, or will the darkness prevail? Leigh returns home and is prompted by her grandmother, Clothilde, to move back to take care of Lyla. Leigh has no desire to take on any responsibility and being home again brings back painful memories of the deaths of her parents. At her brother's funeral, Leigh's childhood friend Detective Lucas Castille tells her the mysterious details of the accident that killed her brother and his wife. Lucas' young Down Syndrome-ridden son Jonathan has dreams of a Dark Man who wishes to harm Lyla. Leigh struggles with her rational mind but vows to protect Lyla. Soon, she finds out there is more to the story and more to her grandmother than she thought.

11:00 am - John Lafleur

John is a native of Ville Platte, LA. He is an educator, traveler, author and owner of a Louisiana Creole Plantation B&B also known as The Courtableau House in Washington, LA.



About the book: It is filled with vintage and full-color contemporary food photos recently shot at the beautiful old colonial plantation guesthouse -COURTABLEAU HOUSE- in historic Washington, Louisiana! And, of course, the food photos are splendid, and represent a never before seen representation of the authentic and historic, meals of the French speaking parishes of Evangeline, St. Landry, Avoyelles and rural Lafayette. All food titles have been preserved in their original French names (with English subtitles) that they may never be forgotten. A unique essay by Mr. La Fleur (a teacher of modern French, and speaker of the two primary dialects of Louisiana French, is also an international interpreter/tourguide to France for over 30yrs) adds a new update on an old subject, rarely treated objectively, or factually; the difference(s) of Creole & Cajun French language, food and culture. Mr. La Fleur's dictionary/lexicon is truly informative, fascinating and long overdue. This book is the long-awaited, never expected tribute to the people, culture and uniquely delicious food of French-speaking south Louisiana! Photos by Nationally recognized Cajun Photographer Norris