



# Park Progress: A Quarterly Review

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a sampling of park events

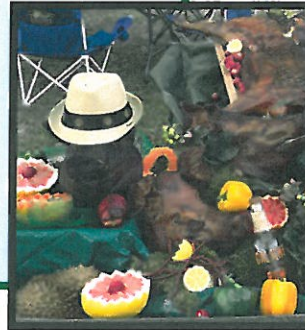
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Superbowl—Saints weren't in it, but that didn't mean we failed to pass a good time. The Benson's hosted the NFL Owners party in a grove of oak trees in the park. There are parties and then there are PARTIES! The following night, ESPN had a big blow out party under a giant tent in Tad Gormley Stadium.



Hogs for the Cause was the first large event (12,000 people) to take place within our new Festival Grounds. Aside from a few disgruntled vegetarians, it was a smashing success! Guests loved the spaciousness and the beauty of all the mature oak and cypress trees.



The 2nd Annual City Park Grand Slam Tennis Tournament took place at the end of March. Besides the game, the crawfish boil was a well served hit!



Music in the Garden—Music continues to pour from the Botanical Garden. On Sunday and Thursdays, it's THE place to be! For talent line ups visit [www.garden.neworleanscitypark.com](http://www.garden.neworleanscitypark.com).



The month ended in a big way with the Crescent City Classic finishing in the park on March 30<sup>th</sup> and thousands of picnickers enjoying the Amusement Park and surrounding areas on Easter Sunday.

We're excited to win Country Roads Magazine's Favorite Public Garden! Here's one of our favorite quotes from the article: "...I had lots of students who'd grown up in New Orleans. And when they spoke about their City Park it was almost with reverence, as if they were describing their birthplace or some other almost magical place." To read the article visit [www.countryroadsmagazine.com](http://www.countryroadsmagazine.com)

Lark in the Park—This fundraiser supported City Splash, raising funds to help build furnished cabana tents for events at the splash park. Set in the beautiful Botanical Garden, the party featured a live auction, live Latin music, 40 of New Orleans' best restaurants and plenty of spirited drinks! We can't wait for next year's fun!



**ParkBits** We now have a new miniature train! It's Black & Gold and ready for riders of all ages!

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