Kicking off the Louisiana Tricentennial Celebration's CODOFIL Weekend in New Orleans was a Soirée des Compagnons du Beaujolais on June 18, a burgundy wine-tasting ceremony. Hors-d'œuvres were prepared under the direction of New Orleans chef Daniel Bonnot of the Louis XVI Restaurant.

Festivities in honor of the discovery of Louisiana in 1682 by René-Robert Cavelier de la Salle continued on June 9 with the installation at the Cabildo of the spadron® or stake and cross used by La Salle to mark the French claim to the Territory. This was followed closely by a noon luncheon and address by the honorable Bernard Vernier-Palliez, the Ambassador of France (Continued on page 6)

Sammi 19 juin, à 17h30, Place d'Armes : Remise des prix aux vainqueurs des divers catégories de la première « Tricentenaire ». Le maire Morial remet la coupe de la Ville de la Nouvelle-Orléans aux vainqueurs toutes catégories, Jean-François Fountaine, Pierre Solensant, Bernard Nivel et Philippe Pallu Delabarrière, équipage du bateau « Charentes-Maritimes ». Les vainqueurs recevront ensuite des mains de l'Ambassadeur de France aux États-Unis (2ème à gauche, entre son épouse et le Sénateur Jacques Ménard) un chèque de 200.000 FF, soit environ $33,000, offert par les autorités de La Rochelle.
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to the United States. Other high-ranking French and Canadian officials were on hand for the luncheon at the Hilton Hotel.

There was a late afternoon ceremony and trophy presentation honoring the top winners of the La Rochelle-New Orleans yacht race at Jackson Square, and that evening was topped off by a «Bal Acadien» featuring the music of Bourrée, at the Hilton Hotel.

June 20 was marked by a windsurfing demonstration and instruction on Lake Pontchartrain sponsored by Evian, BIC Leisure Products and Yachting Magazine.

Other activities coinciding with the Tricentennial weekend were: an exhibit of photographs of Louisiana State Museum Collection, and a special showing of photographic reproductions of items in the Musée du Nouveau Monde, la Rochelle, France, both at the Presbytère; an exhibit of French sails and the French nautical industry. Finally, a slide-show on the Poitou-Charentes region of France was presented at the International Trade Mart lobby.