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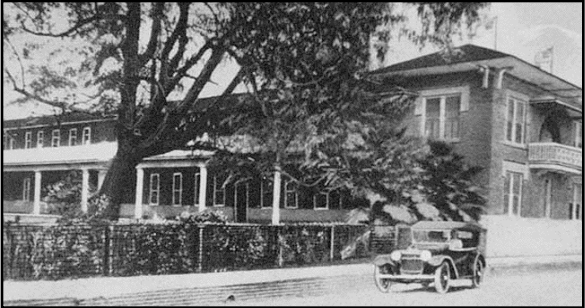
Covington Weekly

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Local News:

The Old Southern Hotel:
Then and Now



The Southern Hotel first opened its doors on June 1st, 1907. It offered all amenities of luxury for its time; ballrooms, galleries, a tennis court, a formal garden and an artesian fountain. There were even caged exotic animals in the lobby. It was also the second home to the Covington Courthouse. Recent years have seen the building lay dormant, but the old Southern is beginning to stir with new life. Lisa Condrey and Joe Ward of Condrey and Ward have bought the nearly 38,000-square-foot time capsule and have plans for complete renovations. The task will not be an easy one, the building is 105 years old and has been empty for many years. Condrey and Ward expect to spend millions on the project. "It'll be worth it for us, it'll be worth it for the city," Lisa said. The reanimation of the old Southern Hotel is sure to benefit the downtown economy and preserve the history of Downtown Covington.

For updates on events, live music and current sales in Covington, visit "Covington Weekly" on Facebook.

The 3/50 Challenge

Locally owned business is the basis of local economy. For every \$100 dollars that is spent locally, \$68 of that returns to the community. Shop Local by spending \$50 in three local businesses

over the course of a month. This week, we'll be visiting: **Coffee Rani, Cupcake Concept and The Secret Garden.**



Coffee Rani

Created 17 years ago, Coffee Rani has become synonymous with healthy, fresh, and innovative cuisine. Their menu consists of entree salads, grilled sandwiches, pastas and a variety of vegetarian dishes that allow you to eat healthy while still maintaining the culinary creativity New Orleans is famous for.

234 Lee Lane - (985) 893-6158
www.coffeerani.com

Cupcake Concept

Cupcake Concept cupcakes are baked fresh each morning, handcrafted from the finest ingredients. Six standard cupcake flavors and a variety of specialty flavors are baked every day. Cupcake Concept also caters events and you can pre-order their over 30 cupcake flavors, a perfect addition to make any event unique!

611 E. Boston St. - (985) 898-0400
www.cupcakeconcept.com

The Secret Garden

The Secret Garden is its own little world, nestled on the corner of Lee Lane and Walker Alley. Here you can find beautiful flowering plants, shrubs and small trees, plus a large selection of unique garden gifts and outdoor decorations.

827 Walker Alley

Farmer's Market Recipes

Fresh recipes inspired by ingredients found at the Covington Farmer's Market, by Chef Sorelli

Spicy Mexi-Thai Whole Wheat Pizza

- Collect:
- 1 Container Black Bean Salsa (Theresea's Italian Cookies)
 - 1 Jar of Cajun Garlic (BushWood Farms)
 - 1 Jar of Peach Habanero Jam (Just Jamming)
 - 1 Jar of Fresh Mozzarella (Sorellis' At The Market)
 - 1 Pizza Crust (? Grain)
 - 1 Container of Salsa (Lloyd's Super Salsa)
 - 1 Bag of Spicy Thai Slaw (Living Foods)

Heat Oven to 350 degrees. Place pizza stone on top rack of oven at least one hour before pizza goes in to cook. Put the crust on top of a pizza peel or the back side of a sheet pan so that it is easy to slide on to pizza stone. Begin to spread the peach habanero as the base (the thicker the spicier). Slice the cajun garlic in thin slices and place evenly around the pie crust. Using a slotted spoon for the blackbean salsa, spread it around the pizza crust (be careful about the liquid so that the pizza will not be soggy). Slice the mozzarella; add salt and pepper to taste and spread evenly on top of the pizza. Before putting the pizza in, bring the temperature up to 450 degrees. Now slide the pizza into the oven. After approximately 10 minutes, spin the pizza around so that it will cook evenly. Depending on taste it should be about another 15 minutes. When pizza is done and out of the oven, spread some salsa around the top and serve the spicy thai slaw on top or as a side.

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