

**NEW ORLEANS NOSTALGIA**  
*Remembering New Orleans History, Culture and Traditions*  
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**The Mayors of New Orleans**

***All the mayors of New Orleans from 1803 until the present day:***

The Mayors of New Orleans,  
There were quite a few,  
Some heroes and zeros  
And a Nero or two.

There were Pitot and Guillotte,  
Macarty, Freret,  
And Victor H. Schiro ...  
Best malaprops yet!

Our very first mayor was  
Étienne de Boré.  
Our own "sugar daddy",  
He showed us the way.

There were lawyers and warriors  
And a Shakespeare, as well,  
Abdiel Crossman and  
Edward Durell.

One mayor brought streetlights  
So the streets were not dim,  
And the Roffignac Cocktail  
Is named after him.

There were Watkins, James Mather,  
Girod and Trudeau,  
Benjamin Flanders and  
John T. Monroe.

Martin Behrman served longest,

Almost seventeen years.  
He defeated McShane and  
He lived in Algiers.

Montegut, Miller,  
You could fill up a book.  
And then there was Walmsley  
For that "Turkey Head" look.

"Dem Ersters" is what we  
Love Mayor Maestri for.  
"How ya like dem?" is what  
He once "axed" FDR.

There were Pilsbury, Patton,  
An endless parade.  
Then "Chep" Morrison won  
With his "broomstick brigade".

We had Dorgenois, Deming,  
John Conway, George Clark.  
And two Morial mayors,  
Father "Dutch" and son Marc.

And fulfilling the City's  
Most paramount needs  
Were Bertus and Behan,  
Prieur, Flower and Leeds.

There were Kennedy, Quincy,  
Lewis, Waterman, Burke.  
For this fabulous city  
They all went to work.

There were Weitzel, Fitzpatrick,  
Paul Capdevielle with  
Barthelemy, Shepley,  
Rozier, Genois and Stith.

There were Arthur O'Keefe  
And Jesse S. Cave,  
Stephen Hoyt and Ed Heath,  
Many hours they gave.

Louis Wiltz, Jonas French  
And a Landrieu named "Moon".  
Later headed up HUD;  
His appointment came soon.

When Fred Earhart was mayor,  
He served just a day.  
Miles Pratt served two weeks,  
And then there's C. Ray.

Mayor Nagin named chocolate  
The flav' of the day,  
And said we were friendly  
In a "Monologue" way.

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