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# Le Debut des Jeunes Filles de la Nouvelle Orleans 2018 presents 25 debutantes

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Emily Caindec, Hanton Agnew, Margot Childs, Caroline Chunn, Julia Clark and Sarah Johnson at Le Debut des Jeunes Filles de la Nouvelle Orleans 2018 Saturday (June 9) at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel.

The first presentation was in 1934, and 84 years later introducing young ladies as debutantes at Le Debut des Jeunes Filles de La Nouvelle Orleans has remained an integral part of the city's traditions.

The presentation also marks the start of the debutante season, so there was much excitement amongst the debutantes, their parents, family and friends in the Grand Ballroom at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel on June 9.

Following the national anthem sung beautifully by Deacon John, the Jeunes Messieurs -- Price Shreve Butcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kimberlin Price Butcher; Clayton Cooke Geary Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Cooke Geary; Harry Bartlett Kelleher IV, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bartlett Kelleher III; and William Knox Van Horn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles James Van Horn - entered, bowed to the crowd, then took their place by the stage to await the debutantes.

This year's coterie, wearing white gowns and carrying posies of white roses, were Misses Hanton Quarles Agnew, daughter of Mrs. Frank de la Houssaye Agnew and the late Mr. Agnew; McAlister Wynn Brewer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Craig Wren Brewer; Emily Kaleianuenue Caindec, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sean Keao Caindec; Margot Louise Childs, daughter of Ms. Suzanne B. Childs and of Mr. Scott David Childs, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ogden

Collins; **Caroline Louise Chunn**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Keith Chunn; Julia Veysset **Clark**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thomasson Clark Jr.; **Emma Marks Conroy**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Kenneth Conroy; **Anna Massey Demmas**, daughter of Mr. George Bartlett Demmas and Mrs. Raine Bedsole; **Grace Allen Gambel**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Christian Gambel Jr.; **Emily** June Hardie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Davis Hardie; Elizabeth Lane Hewitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stewart Hewitt; **Larkin McConnell Holtzman**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Louis Holtzman; Katherine Randolph Jacobs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Robert Henri Jacobs; Kristina Britt Johnsen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erik Lee Johnsen; Sarah St. Paul Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Todd Bennett Johnson; Ann Clare Kallenborn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Jacob Kallenborn; Althea Gibert Kingsmill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Michael Kingsmill; **Lilia Elise Kuhn**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen McMillen Kuhn Sr.; Lucie Sandoz Lanier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Munson Lanier Jr.; **Megan Maria McGoey**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas John McGoey II; **Ashley Linfield Murphy**, daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Kevin Mark Murphy; Adele Bright Petagna, daughter of Ms. Elinor Spicer Bright and Mr. Stephen Price Petagna; Julia Margaret Plauche, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Anthony Plauche; Laura Mary Tompkins Schramm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Christopher Welty Schramm; and Ellen Heidingsfelder Silvia, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Paul Silvia Jr. The young ladies were escorted by their fathers; for Ms. Agnew, Mr. Peter Tompkins accompanied her, and Ms. Child's grandfather, Mr. Donald Ogden Collins escorted her.

After the young ladies were escorted to the ballroom floor serenaded by different songs -"Don't Stop Believing," "Dancing Queen," and
"Shining Star" were a few -- they curtsied to their mothers, then the crowd, before they were brought up on the stage by the Jeunes Messieurs. When the final debutante was on stage, the Jeunes Messieurs bowed to the audience, then to the debutantes, who curtsied in unison.

After the first dance between father and daughter, Deacon John and the Ivories entertained the crowd for the rest of the

evening.

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