

# Investigation Summary Report

Private Location Opelousas, La.

### **HISTORY**

This business in located in Opelousas, La. It is a beautiful, old Victorian home built in the 1800's and added to in the early 1900's. The original owners were the parents of four children, two girls and two boys. Ethel Caecilia, their first child, was born in 1894 in St. Martinville. In 1895, the original owners built a single-story home in Opelousas. Just days before the home was completed, tragedy struck the family when their baby died at the age of only six months.

In the early 1900s, the second story of the home was added. One of its special features was the cypress staircase that was constructed at that time. The home was also known for having one of the first modern indoor bathrooms in Opelousas.

The family owned the house for several decades, and it was home to three generations. In the late 1970s it was sold, and soon after renovated to house a gift shop that opened there in 1981. In the mist of that renovation, a presence was awoken. Several instances that could not be explain occurred at that time and have continued over the years. Many "ghost stories" are now told by those who have owned the house, or even by those just visiting.

## **CLAIMS**

The owners claim there are many strange activities in the business. Such claims include: strange noises in the evenings when working late, items being relocated to different parts of the office, a calculator with paper tape being completely unrolled from the spool, a woman laughing upstairs when no one was in that area, pictures that fall off the walls and knocking sounds. The client also told us that the previous owner, a gift shop, stated strange occurrences that consist of items being moved to other areas of the gift shop and ornaments taken off the decorated stairs and placed on the ground around the stairs.

## Investigators Reports & Evidence

Location: Opelousas, La.

Date: October 3, 2020

Investigators: S.C. Group: Marci, Chance and Jenny

Equipment used: Several deer cameras, digital voice recorders, wireless video cameras, Rem pods, K 2 Meters, digital still camera, SLS cameras and hand help video camera.

The team then proceeded with our base line sweeps for EMF in all areas. While doing the walkthrough we also took pictures. After the walkthrough we proceeded to set up all equipment in all locations. During this set up process the team and owners heard a woman singing from the upstairs area. Then we went lights out for the investigation.

Several EVP sessions were done throughout the home that evening. However, there were no EVP's to report in any locations. We did get muffled sounds on an evp session but that was not placed in evidence due to it being unclear. After reviewing the video from the wireless cameras we caught a knock that took place after the investigators were trying to make contact in one of the upstairs offices.

The team did have several personal experiences in all areas of the home. Several of us heard shuffling noises outside the conference room area. At one point we saw a flash in the bathroom attached to the conference room. We investigated the bathroom but could not find anything to cause that flash. We heard what sounded like a mechanical noise coming from the main waiting room area, but could not find the cause for that sound.

## Attached Files

Video: Knocking sound in upstairs office.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Louisiana Spirits has pioneered so many reportedly active locations in the state. By not simply going off of haunted tales, we treat any historic location as the next potential haunting. In regards to this location we feel there is possible activity! Therefore, we believe that a follow up investigation in the late fall will need to be conducted. We are very grateful to the owner for allowing us to investigate their beautiful location.

