



Alumni E-Newsletter

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Upcoming Board Meetings

All are invited to attend

April 3rd

May 1st

June 5th

Meetings are held in the upstairs Board Room at the College and begin at 6:00 p.m.

2007 Events

- 3/25 Crawfish Boil
- 4/1 Golf Classic
- 4/29 Graduation Brunch
- 5/6 Graduation
- 6/16 Bookworm Boogie

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Message from President



Dear Community of Our Lady of Holy Cross College:

The Alumni Association of Our Lady of Holy Cross College is alive and well. On Saturday evening in the Moreau Center, now known by the students as the "BMC," another gala event took place to honor three of our graduates: Anna Faye Marciante ('92 & '99) in Education; Vicki O'Brien ('00) in Business; Cheryn Young ('86) in Nursing. Each of these graduates expressed their pride in their education at the College. They could not say enough about the special care and concern that they received while at the College.

The event celebrated two alumni gatherings in one: the annual wine tasting and the awards ceremony. This is only the beginning of the celebrations we want to have in the future to honor our graduates.

The night was more significant because the Alumni Association gave a special award in the name of our own James Rabalais, Jr. As administrator, teacher, mentor, advisor and community ambassador, he was most deserving of this special award.

Each of us is an ambassador for the College. In the end, what matters is not our position, but our expression of genuine care and concern. It does not matter what we

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Alumni Board Members

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Steve Nielsen ('98)

Amanda Rabalais ('95 & '01)

Christy Read ('97) Annual Giving Co-Chair

Beau Read ('96 & '00)

Tara Centanni Reese ('97 & '06) Emeritus

Jo Ann Rosselli ('94, '02, '05)

Alesia Scott SGA President

Adam Strickland ('01) Staff Representative

can do for the students, but who we are for them. Of course, they expect a quality educational experience, but they also expect what we do so well at Our Lady of Holy Cross: we care for them as individuals.

Please try to support our alumni office in their attempts to bring the alumni back into the community. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Father Anthony De Conciliis, C.S.C., Ph.D.

Crawfish Boil

The Student Government Association & Alumni Association will be sponsoring the 15th Annual Crawfish Boil on Sunday, March 25th at Our Lady of Holy Cross College.

Mass will begin at 11:00 a.m. followed by the crawfish boil from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Children under the age of 12 are free. One free guest per person. There is a \$5 charge for each additional guest.

R.S.V.P. by contacting Chris Rholdon at 504.398.2279 or crholdon@olhcc.edu.

Trip to France

Dear OLHCC Community:

Additional information regarding the trip in September 2007 for the beatification ceremony has become available. As it may assist you in making a decision with regard to your interest in the trip I am forwarding along the following details. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

The group will depart from New Orleans on September 9, 2007 for Paris, France. The trip will include a 6 night

stay in Paris departing to New Orleans on September 16, 2007. The rate per person for double occupancy is \$1840 and \$2140 for single occupancy. The rate per person includes airfare, transfer to hotel with assistance, six nights hotel at Opera Lafayette with breakfast included, private bus with assistance to beatification ceremony in Le Mans, France, and transfer back to the airport with assistance.

Thank you
Kristine Hatfield
Vice President for Enrollment Management
And Student Development

Evening of Reflection

Campus Ministry and the Our Lady of Holy Cross College Alumni Association would like to thank everyone who supported the Evening of Reflection on Friday, March 9th in the Moreau Center. The event entitled “Overcoming Our Fears” was well-attended and spiritually fulfilling.



Alumni Awards '07

The Alumni Awards featuring a Taste of Spain Wine Tasting was held on March 10th in the Moreau Center at the College. Ms. Anna Faye Marciante ('92 & '99), Ms. Vicki O'Brien ('00), and Ms. Cheryn Young ('86) received Alumna of the Year for each respective division. Dean James A. Rabalais, Jr. was also acknowledged for his numerous years of service to the College.



Phone-a-thon

The Alumni Association would like to thank all Alumni and students who donated time, talent, and treasure to the Phone-a-thon.

We were able to secure \$4,700 in pledges over a four day time span!



Nursing Celebrates 20 Years

The Nursing Division at Our Lady of Holy Cross College is celebrating 20 years of education, service,

and success on Friday, April 27th, in the Moreau Center at the College.

The anniversary celebration will begin at 7:00 p.m. and include food, refreshments, and an opportunity to reunite with some of your former classmates. The cost will be \$25.00 per person.

We encourage all of our Alumni, especially the Nursing Alumni, to participate in this joyous event!

If you would like to R.S.V.P., please contact Mrs. Tami Valadie at tvaladie@lhcc.edu.

Counseling Center Celebrates 10 Years

The Rev. Thomas E. Chambers, C.S.C., Ph.D., Counseling and Training Center will be celebrating its 10th Anniversary on Thursday, May 10th with a rededication ceremony.

The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Moreau Center at the College. It is free to attend.

If you would like to R.S.V.P., please contact Mrs. Susan Wetwiski at suwetwiski@lhcc.edu.

Father Basil Moreau

While Father Moreau was busy restoring Father Dujarié's work, he established a group of Associates. However, he was advised to establish a true religious community that would not only reawaken the people's faith but also those Associates who were highly qualified to raise the level of Christian education.

While reflecting on the idea, Father Moreau began to organize a seminary, a rule of prayer, study, and reflection for the group of auxiliary priests. These Associates preached many retreats in the parishes and colleges* of the area. Two of the auxiliary priests were

doing advanced study in Paris.

However, the activities of Father Moreau did not please his colleagues. Most notably, they did not like the idea that he wanted to impose on them the living of religious life. Then in 1836, the bishop dismissed him from the seminary and Father Moreau was faced with the task of housing his auxiliary priests elsewhere. Luckily, a benefactress of the Good Shepherd Convent offered a temporary place to house his co-workers.

Soon a gentleman offered Father Moreau a place to rent in the outskirts of Le Mans, named Ste. Croix. Father Moreau thought this offer to be providential and accepted the offer. However, the first problems were to appear.

The first problems appear for Father Moreau. The auxiliary priests complained that they were his collaborators and that he decided everything alone. They felt that they should cooperate in making the decisions affecting them.

The storm of dispute also reached the Brothers of St. Joseph whom Father Moreau had brought to Holy Cross. They felt that Father Moreau would be giving control over them to the priests since he had already placed the brothers at the mothers as servants and that their salaries were going to support the priests. They also feared that the priests would even be the superiors in their schools.

At this point, Father Moreau convoked a general meeting of the priests and brothers at Le Mans. The financial report showed that the priests, through their preaching, had earned proportionately more than the brothers. Father Moreau suggested that the income earned be paced in a common fund. No one objected.

An official writ of agreement was drawn up March 1, 1837 which would be known in the future as "The Fundamental Act" or the Act of the Congregation. The sisters would be included in 1841.

2007 Golf Classic

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

On behalf of Our Lady of Holy Cross College, I would like to take this opportunity personally to announce to you the College's 15th Annual Golf Classic. This popular event is scheduled for **Sunday, April 1, 2007** at Bayou Barriere Golf Club. This is a great opportunity for friends of the College to have a fantastic time while financially supporting the mission of Our Lady of Holy Cross College. All funds raised from this fun-filled event will go to the Annual Fund, thus directly impacting the lives of students and their dreams of successfully pursuing a college education.

Personal and community support is vital to the success of Our Lady of Holy Cross College. At this time, I would ask you to consider supporting this year's Golf Classic. There are many ways to become involved in this worthy cause. You can help with any and all of the following:

- getting sponsors for the event
- getting donations of prizes, food, etc.
- register to play
- serve as a volunteer.

For your convenience, **a donor form and a player registration form are both attached as one comprehensive sheet.** You can mail the form to the address indicated on the sheet or fax the form to the Office of External Affairs at 504-398-2298.

If you would like to volunteer and/or donate prizes, please contact me at 504-398-2208 (office), 504-491-3854 (cell), or smcneely@lhcc.edu.

The students, alumni, faculty, staff, Marianite Sisters and the entire academic community of Our Lady of Holy Cross College join me in thanking you for your

on-going interest and support of our College. And I thank you for your attention, consideration, and response to our request.

Gratefully,
Stanton McNeely III

Vice President for External Affairs

Congratulations

Congratulations to adjunct faculty member, Jay Rabalais, and his wife, who became **GRANDPARENTS** for the first time on Friday, March 2, 2007. Their granddaughter's name is Emma Claire Rabalais, coming into the world at 6 lbs. 7 oz. Her parents, both graduates of OLHCC, are Jerrold and Lauren (Pellerin) Rabalais. Both mother and baby are doing great!

Designers' Gallery

Help support an Alumna and the College!

Mrs. Alison Bordelon ('93) owns and operates Designers' Gallery and has also been a faculty member at the College for over 7 years.

Alison has offered to give a portion of each sale from Designers' Gallery generated by OLHCC Alumni or the College community to Our Lady of Holy Cross College. Please identify yourself as an OLHCC member when making a purchase.

When you buy, we all win!

Designers' Gallery can make your house a home again by putting all the pieces together. They are unique because you can get everything from flooring to furniture, window treatments to lighting, accessories to rugs, all in one location. They also have gift items for every occasion like unique collectables by Arthur Court, Scentier Lampes, and Woodwick scented candles.

What makes Designers' Gallery different from the "big box" retailer is that they can bring samples of their entire portfolio to your home or office. They have offered personalized service and attention to the New Orleans area for over 32 years at the same location.

Please contact Alison for more information.

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Alumni Advertising

Are you a graduate of the College? Would you like to advertise your business on the Alumni E Newsletter? If so, please email Chris Rholdon at crholdon@olhcc.edu.

Help rebuild New Orleans!

Prayers Requested

We ask you to remember in your prayers the family of pre-nursing student, Katie Manes. Katie's father passed away suddenly last week.

We ask you to remember in your prayers, David

McPherson, Vice President for Information Technology. David has been in the Middle East with the military since January of this year. Last week he was sent to Kuwait.

Alumni Survey

Our Lady of Holy Cross College is conducting a survey of all our Alumni. Please take a minute to answer a few questions on the following web page

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=451122514722>.

This information is vital for various national reports and accreditations, which helps the College remain a widely recognized institution to receive an education. Your participation is greatly valued!

Take Pride!!!

We are interested in what we can do better to enhance the Our Lady of Holy Cross College web site including the “Alumni & Friends” section, which can be found at <http://www.olhcc.edu/alumni/index.shtml>. Please e-mail any updates or changes that you would like to see to crholdon@olhcc.edu. Together we can unite to redesign the “Alumni & Friends” section of the OLHCC web site to make it a more accurate representation of our College. Any suggestions or recommendations are appreciated!

Support

Want to make a donation to Our Lady of Holy Cross College, please visit

<http://www.olhcc.edu/giving/index.shtml> or e-mail Stanton F. McNeely III at smcneely@olhcc.edu. Every donation makes a difference!

Keep Us Informed

- Have you changed your address, phone number, and/or e-mail address recently? Please keep us informed by contacting Christopher Rholdon at crholdon@olhcc.edu or 504.398.2279.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Has anything happened in your life recently that you would like to share with the community? Marriages, confirmations, births, deaths, and other important news events are always accepted and appreciated. We hope you will participate so that everyone can share your news. <p><i>For more information or to be removed from the mailing list, send your request to crholdon@olhcc.edu.</i></p>
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