



# Alumni E-Newsletter

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### Upcoming Board Meetings

\*\*\*All are invited to attend\*\*\*

May 5, 2009

Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.

### Upcoming Events

- 5/5/09 Counseling--Relationships
- 5/7/09 Spiritual Entrepreneurs
- 5/9/09 Delta Sigma Pi Rose Gala
- 5/16/09 Graduation Mass
- 5/17/09 Graduation
- 6/13/09 Bookworm Boogie IV
- 6/26-27/09 The Human Experience

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## Principal of the Year



*Christopher Rholdon, M.Ed. ('03 & '07), OLHCC Director of Alumni & Parent Relations, left, with George Hebert Jr., M.Ed. ('96) at the Jefferson Parish Excellence is Education ceremony.*

Congratulations to Mr. George Hebert Jr. who received the honor of high school principal of the year at the Jefferson Chamber and Cox Communications Excellence in Education ceremony held on April 28, 2009. Mr. Hebert is a 1996 alumnus of Our Lady of Holy Cross College graduating with a Master's degree in Education with a concentration in Administration and Supervision. He is the principal of Fischer High School.

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### Alumni Board Members

Mary Zeringue ('03) Vice President

Susan Lackey ('02) Treasurer

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Keith Taranto ('01) Past President

Jason Campagna ('97)

Erin Caruso ('84) Social Chair

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Kristine Hatfield-Staff Representative

Sr. Marjorie Hebert ('65) Marianite Rep.

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Mike Lopez ('92) Emeritus

Dr. Becky Maloney-Faculty Representative

Blaine Nielsen-SGA Representative

Steve Nielsen ('98)

Todd Pereira ('04)

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Christy Read ('97) Annual Giving Co-Chair

Tara Centanni Reese ('97 & '06) Emerita

Matt Touns ('07)

Allison Wiltz ('03)

### Mission Statement

We, as the Alumni Association of Our Lady of Holy Cross College, seek to serve as active volunteers, and community leaders dedicated to encouraging continual involvement by facilitating the efforts of our

## Clinical Survival Day



To better prepare for final exams, the OLHCC Nursing Faculty organized a "Clinical Survival Day" for their students.

Students and faculty enjoyed a beautiful day filled with food, games, and fun.

## Earth Day

On Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, faculty, staff, and students gathered for a prayer service and a planting of a tree in honor of Earth Day.



## Relationships

No matter who we are, no matter where we live, no matter what we do, we find ourselves in relationships

Alumni, the missions of Our Lady of Holy Cross College, and the Ministry of the Marianites of Holy Cross.

with other people. At times, these can be troubling, bothersome, or painful.

Drop by the Moreau Center on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Speak to one of the counselors to:

- *Check out your relationship style*
- *Pick up guidelines on ways to improve communication*
- *Assess how you resolve conflict*
- *Learn more about healing hurt relationships*

## Spiritual Entrepreneurs

*The Spiritual Entrepreneurs of*

*Our Lady of Holy Cross College*

*With the support of the Sr. Vivian Coulon, M.S.C.  
Lecture Fund*

*cordially invite you to a panel discussion on*

*WOMEN WHO HAVE INSPIRED  
NEW ORLEANS:  
PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE*

*On Thursday, May 7, 2009  
5:30 p.m. Reception • 6:00-7:30 p.m. Panel discussion*

*Our distinguished panel includes:*

Dr. Emily Clark on the Ursuline nuns in colonial N.O.  
Dr. Christina Vella on the Baroness Pontalba  
Sr. Doris Goudeaux on the Blessed Henriette Delille, foundress  
of the Sisters of the Holy Family  
Sr. Clarita Bourque discussing the career of Lindy Boggs  
Ruthie Frierson talking about The Citizens of 1 Greater New  
Orleans

*RSVP—Ms. Pamela Lopez, 504.398.2206 or [plopez@olhcc.edu](mailto:plopez@olhcc.edu)*

## Delta Sigma Pi

The Nu Omicron Chapter  
Of Delta Sigma Pi

Request the honor of your presence at the annual  
Rose Gala

Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 p.m.  
Moreau Center

For an evening of  
Food, music, and celebration

Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 upon arrival.

RSVP to JoAnna Ogier at  
[jogier@lhcc.edu](mailto:jogier@lhcc.edu)

## YLC Streetcar Soiree

Ms. Shon Cowan, a 2007 Master's in Marriage and Family Counseling graduate, has been appointed Chairwoman of the Young Leadership Council of New Orleans' Streetcar Soiree. This one-night only event occurs on Saturday, May 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the New Orleans Riverside Hilton. Tickets are \$50 (YLC Member) and \$60 (Non-YLC Member) to attend the auction and include food, free Absolut martini bar, entertainment by Kermit Ruffins and the opportunity for attendees to gain a piece of New Orleans history by bidding on a multitude of streetcar items, including garden-sized and full-sized streetcar sculptures currently displayed on the streets of New Orleans!

For more information, join A Streetcar Named Inspire on Facebook or visit [www.youngleadershipcouncil.org](http://www.youngleadershipcouncil.org)

## Graduation

Our Lady of Holy Cross College will conduct graduation exercises during the weekend of May 16 & 17, 2009.

The speaker at the Commencement Exercises will be David Dixon, widely known as the “father” of the Louisiana Superdome.

Graduation Mass will be held at Our Lady of Holy Cross College in New Orleans, LA in the Father Basil Moreau Center, on Saturday, May 16, at 4:00 p.m.

Graduation Ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 17, at the Alario Center in Westwego, LA at 12:00 noon.

The speaker at the Commencement Exercises will be David Dixon, widely known as the “father” of the Louisiana Superdome. He will also receive an honorary doctorate from Our Lady of Holy Cross College. Honorary doctorates will also be awarded to Mrs. Mary Ann Valentino and Sr. Marjorie Hebert, M.S.C.

## Bookworm Boogie IV

For the Expansion of the Blaine S. Kern Library  
At Our Lady of Holy Cross College

Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.

Mardi Gras World  
233 Newton Street  
Algiers, LA 70114

\$50 per person  
\$350 table of 8

Vince Vance and the Valiants  
Food provided by New Orleans’ Finest Chiefs  
Cash Bar  
Door Prizes  
50/50 Raffle  
Silent Auction

To obtain more information or to RSVP, please contact Sr. Helen Fontenot at 504.398.2100 or [hfontenot@lhcc.edu](mailto:hfontenot@lhcc.edu).

## The Human Experience

**On Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 p.m. in the Moreau Center at OLHCC, the Kappa Gamma Pi-New Orleans Chapter will be hosting the screening of the film *The Human Experience*.**

The film is the story of a band of brothers who travel the world in search of the answers to the burning questions: *Who am I? Who is Man? Why do we search for meaning?* Their journey brings them into the middle of the lives of the homeless on the streets of New York City, the orphans and disabled children of Peru, and the abandoned lepers in the forests of Ghana, Africa.

What the young men discover changes them forever. Through one-on-one interviews and real life encounters, the brothers are awakened to the beauty of the human person and the resilience of the human spirit.

**Tickets are \$15.00 a piece.**

Contact Chris Rholdon at 504.398.2279 or [crholdon@olhcc.edu](mailto:crholdon@olhcc.edu) for tickets or more information.

## Creations in Hand

Mother's Day is approaching. Do you need a special gift for your mom? Jewelry is a great way to give her something as unique as she is.

*Creations in Jewelry* specializes in hand-crafted designs for all occasions.

Call LeeMarie Martinez Spatafora, a 2007 graduate in Marriage and Family Counseling, at **504-344-3241**.

## Counseling

In today's society it is imperative that we take care of our mental and emotional health as well as our physical health. Counseling is a great way to stay mentally and

emotionally healthy ensuring optimal functioning in all areas of life.

Counseling services are offered by LeeMarie Spatafora, MA, NCC, LPC Intern Graduate of OLHCC working with families, couples, individuals and children.

**Please call for an appointment 504-344-3241.**

Conveniently located at 700 Papworth Avenue Suite 202, Metairie, LA 70005.

## Alumni Survey III

The OLHCC Alumni Association has just released an Alumni Survey III. Please take a moment to complete the survey on the following link.

Your participation is greatly appreciated!

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=kkLrhb8nvDYsEflMK9p8BA\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=kkLrhb8nvDYsEflMK9p8BA_3d_3d)

## Job Search

Are you looking for a job? Interested in changing careers? What to post a position for your company?

If so, take a look at what the Career Services portion of the OLHCC website has to offer. You can access that link by clicking on <http://www.olhcc.edu/x371.xml>.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Elydia P. Ketchens-Matthews ('03), applied behavior science graduate, who will be graduating from Southern University at New Orleans with a Master of Arts in Criminal Justice with a Concentration in Juvenile Justice.

Congratulations to Anita Althans, Associate Professor of Nursing, who has successfully completed the general examination for higher education administration at the University of New Orleans.

## Prayers Requested

Please offer your prayers for the family of Jeannette Montgomery, Administrative Assistant in the Division of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Jeannette's mother, Mrs. Theresa Montgomery, recently passed away. She was also the grandmother of Alex Lorio, an undergraduate theology student.

Please also remember in your prayers Michelle Lester, Coordinator of Admissions, whose family has experienced some recent deaths.

Please pray for Mr. Jim Scott, husband of Carol Scott, Associate Professor of Art. Mr. Scott recently suffered a stroke but is recovering well.

Please pray for Mr. Alfred Wangerin, father of Morgan Wangerin, a senior psychology student. Mr. Wangerin was recently admitted to the hospital.

Please pray for Ms. Catherine Maggiore, who recently passed away. She was the great aunt of the husband of Laurel Thomas, an English major student.

Please pray for Mr. Buren Hopkins, father of Joanna Clark, an adjunct nursing instructor. Mr. Hopkins is suffering from cardiac and pulmonary problems.

## 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](mailto:crholdon@olhcc.edu).

## Keep Us Informed

- Have you changed your address, phone number, and/or e-mail address recently? Please keep us informed by contacting Chris Rholdon at [crholdon@olhcc.edu](mailto:crholdon@olhcc.edu) or 504.398.2279.
- Has anything happened in your life recently that

	<p>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> <p><i>For more information or to be removed from the mailing list, send your request to <a href="mailto:crholdon@lhcc.edu">crholdon@lhcc.edu</a>.</i></p>
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