



# Parent E-Newsletter

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### Upcoming Board Meetings

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

- September 16, 2008
- October 7, 2008
- December 2, 2008
- January 6, 2009
- February 3, 2009
- March 3, 2009
- April 7, 2009
- May 5, 2009

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

### Upcoming Events

- 9/12/08 Movie Night
- 9/15/08 Eucharistic Celebration
- 9/26-27/08 Rape Defense Seminar

## Record Number of applications for admission

Our Lady of Holy Cross College has achieved a record number of applications for admission to the College. As of August 18, the College has received 1,137 applications for the Fall 2008 semester. This is a new record high, with the previous record being 1,099 for Fall 2007.

## Counseling Students

All of the OLHCC graduate counseling students who took the April 2008 National Counseling Exam (NCE), which is used for Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) licensure in Louisiana, passed the examination.

In addition, the students from OLHCC surpassed the national mean for the exam. The national mean was 100.11. The mean for the OLHCC students was 116.50. There are eight sections to the test (representing the eight courses required by CACREP, the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Education Programs). The OLHCC students scored above the national mean in seven of the sections and at the national mean on the eighth section.

Congratulations to all of the OLHCC graduate counseling students!

## Contact Us

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## Alumni Board Members

Mary Zeringue ('03) Vice President

Susan Lackey ('02) Treasurer

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

Keith Taranto ('01) Past President

Jason Campagna ('97)

Erin Caruso ('84) Social Chair

Johnny Danna ('98)

Kristine Hatfield-Staff Representative

Sr. Marjorie Hebert ('65) Marianite Rep.

Janey Ruth Lively ('88) Emerita

Mike Lopez ('92) Emeritus

Dr. Becky Maloney-Faculty Representative

Blaine Nielsen-SGA Representative

Steve Nielsen ('98)

Todd Pereira ('04)

Beau Read ('96 & '00)

Christy Read ('97) Annual Giving Co-Chair

Tara Centanni Reese ('97 & '06) Emerita

Matt Toups ('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

## Eucharistic Celebration

**A Eucharistic Celebration  
Of the  
Academic Year 2008-2009**

**On the  
Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows  
Patroness of Our Lady of Holy Cross College**

**also**

**The First Anniversary of the Beatification of Blessed  
Basil Moreau**

**Monday, September 15, 2008  
Noon  
Moreau Center**

*Please join us for mass and a light lunch to follow.*

## Ribbon Cutting

**You are invited to the  
blessing and ribbon cutting  
of the  
new Nursing and Science  
Laboratories  
at  
Our Lady of Holy Cross College**

**Thursday, October 23, 2008  
5:30 p.m.**

**A light reception will follow.**

*R.S.V.P. to Ms. Pamela Lopez in the Office of  
External Affairs*

dedicated to encouraging continual involvement by facilitating the efforts of our Alumni, the missions of Our Lady of Holy Cross College, and the Ministry of the Marianites of Holy Cross.

at [plopez@olhcc.edu](mailto:plopez@olhcc.edu) or 504.398.2206. Thank you.

## Fall Fest

Calling all alumni.....

OLHCC will be hosting a Fall Fest on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. on OLHCC campus. We will be offering music, food, arts, and crafts.

If you would like to sell any arts or crafts at this event, please contact Chris Rholdon at [crholdon@olhcc.edu](mailto:crholdon@olhcc.edu) or 504.398.2279.

## Pitching In the Dark

OLHCC adjunct professor Mr. John Patrick Travis has written a novel entitled, "Pitching In the Dark." Mr. Travis has won the Hackney Literary Award for his work.

The novel is about Kirk Ogham, who is pitching in Mexico's Tabasco League, trying to keep his dream alive of pitching in the Major League. During this time, he receives a call from his sister notifying him of their mother's release from an asylum.

Mr. Travis teaches English at OLHCC and is a former minor league pitcher for the Atlanta Braves.

Mr. Travis's book can be purchased at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) and [www.barnesandnobles.com](http://www.barnesandnobles.com)

## OLHCC Alumni Promoted

Mrs. Yelitza Gray ('96 & '04) has been promoted to principal of Lincoln Elementary School.

Mrs. Billie Gassen ('94) has been promoted to principal of Livaudais Middle School.

Mrs. Debra Cooper ('93) has been promoted to principal of Thomas Jefferson Senior High School.

Mrs. Dodie Plaisance ('06) has been appointed to principal of Westwego Elementary.

## Movie Night

OLHCC Movie Night  
*presents*

# *Kung Fu Panda*

Friday, September 12, 2008  
6:00pm to 9:00pm  
*(movie begins at 6:30pm)*

Moreau Center  
*(Feel free to bring blankets, bean bag chairs, etc.  
Chairs will be provided for seating as well)*

This event is FREE for OLHCC community members and their guests!

*Concessions will be available for purchase*

Please RSVP to [aklene@olhcc.edu](mailto:aklene@olhcc.edu)

## Alumni Board Meeting

Reminder: The next Alumni Board Meeting will be held **Tuesday, September 16th, at 6:00 p.m. in the Upstairs Board Room at OLHCC.**

All graduates are invited to attend!!!!

## OLHCC Barbecue

The Alumni Association will be hosting a Back to School Barbecue on **Wednesday, September 24th**, to

welcome students, faculty, and staff back on campus.

The event is from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. on the College campus.

Please stop by to enjoy some delicious food and greet new and returning OLHCC family to the College.

## Rape Defense Seminar

Friday, September 26th, 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. and

Saturday, September 27th, 12:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Father Basil Moreau Center at the College

Free for College Personnel, Alumni & Students and \$20  
for Community

Don't miss this 2-day seminar where you will learn  
defense techniques

by a certified instructor to protect yourself from  
predators.

*R.S.V.P. by contacting Chris Rholdon  
at [crholdon@lhcc.edu](mailto:crholdon@lhcc.edu) or 504.398.2279*

## New Alumni Survey

The Alumni Association is conducting a new Alumni  
survey to solicit your ideas and thoughts of the College.

Please take a moment to click on the following link and  
participate in the survey.

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=HUpqoI9sjKNit7cT1OZzUQ\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=HUpqoI9sjKNit7cT1OZzUQ_3d_3d)

Thank you in advance for your assistance!

## 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>.

## Prayers Requested

Please offer prayers of thanksgiving for the successful surgery of Sr. Cynthia Knowles ('63), MSC, former Campus Minister at OLHCC. Sr. Cynthia underwent knee replacement surgery recently.

Please offer your prayers for Mr. Harvey Brooks, Associate Professor in the Department of Fine Arts. Mr. Brooks is hospitalized and undergoing tests.

Please pray for Mrs. Shelle Pullen Buras ('06) whose grandmother recently passed away. Mrs. Buras recently had a miscarriage too.

Please offer your prayers for Mr. Irving Lutterman who passed away recently. Irving is an alumnus of OLHCC and the brother-in-law of Ms. Debbie Panepinto ('97), Director of Advising.

Dr. George Hay, Assistant Professor of Counseling, who is experiencing health problems due to the hurricane evacuation.

Mr. Gus White, husband of Dr. Carolyn White, Associate Professor of Counseling and Chair of the Department of Counseling and Behavioral Sciences, who is also experiencing health problems due to the hurricane evacuation.

Please pray for Mr. Henry Pepper, cousin of Mr. Johnny Danna Jr., graduate and adjunct professor at the College. Mr. Pepper recently passed away.

## 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).

## Congratulations

Mr. Toby Valadie ('98), son of Mrs. Tami Valadie, in the division of nursing, and his wife recently celebrated the birth of their child Elise Anne.

## 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 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.

*For more information or to be removed from the mailing list, send your request to [crholdon@olhcc.edu](mailto:crholdon@olhcc.edu).*