



## SGA RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY...AGAIN

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The American Student Government Association (ASGA) has recognized Our Lady of the Lake College Student Government Association as the Student Government of the Month for March 2007. This is the second time the SG has been recognized with this honor. Last in October of 2005. The current Student Government has been working very aggressively in the last year to make some great strides to better the campus and make the students more comfortable. The SG was instrumental in getting a referendum passed through the Board of Trustees to upgrade technology and wireless on campus. They campaigned to renovate a lounge in the Science Building to be more comfortable and more inviting for students before, after and in-between classes. When asked, What is the most important thing an SG can do for the students?, Christine Blanchard, SGA President says, " Listen, Listen, Listen! Not all students are willing and available to be at SGA meetings and voice their concerns. The most important thing SG can do is listen during



class, between class, and when issues arise. Offer information that may help the situation, or bring the issue to the table for all to hear and try to resolve." This last year has been an incredible journey. We are currently working with our smallest senate, but our most dedicated one. " We have always been perceived as an activities board. While we felt we had issues we could address, we were unsure how to do so. With the help and guidance of an SG Consultant, we have learned that as students we are a vital voice to the college administration and Board of Trustees, and we are no longer afraid to let that voice be heard" says, Blanchard. Thanks to all the students of OLOL College for their support, suggestions, and concerns that we have been able to address.



The best executive is the one who has sense enough to pick good men to do what he wants done, and self-restraint to keep from meddling with them while they do it.

*Theodore Roosevelt*

**Make a difference in this great student organization!**

**SGA Elections are March 27-28th, 2007**

**Pick up your intent to run form at the Crawfish Boil!**

**For More Info: [SGA@ololcollege.edu](mailto:SGA@ololcollege.edu)**

## WHAT ARE YOU



## WAITING FOR?

Apply Now for Financial Aid for the Fall 2007

Semester! Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Use **031062** for the school code.

If you have been awarded Financial Aid for the Fall 2006 and Spring 2007 semester and plan on attending Summer 2007, but have not requested Aid for Summer 2007, contact the Financial Aid Office at 768-1714.

Interested in Federal Work Study (FWS)? FWS allows a student to work up to 20 hours per week (\$7/Hour) on campus or in a community service agency.

Contact the Financial Aid Office for more information.



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## Local executive earns top healthcare management credential

Elizabeth A. Berzas, PhD-ABD, FACHE, Chair, Program Director and Assistant Professor of Our lady of the Lake College, Department of health Services in Baton Rouge, LA recently became a fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives, the nation's leading professional society for healthcare leaders.

Fellow Status represents achievement of the highest standard of professional development. In fact, only 5,400 healthcare executives hold this distinction. To obtain Fellow status, candidates must fulfill multiple requirements, including passing a comprehensive examination, meeting academic and experiential criteria, earning continuing education credits and demonstrating professional/community involvement. Fellows are also committed to ongoing professional development and undergo recertification every three years.

## Clinical Lab Sciences FUNDRAISER!



When: April 2, 2007

Where: Health Sciences Building Breezeway

Time: 11-1 pm

**\$5.00 per Plate**

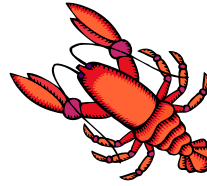
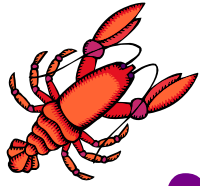
\*Red Beans & Rice w/Sausage

\*Corn Bread

\*Cookie

\*Drink

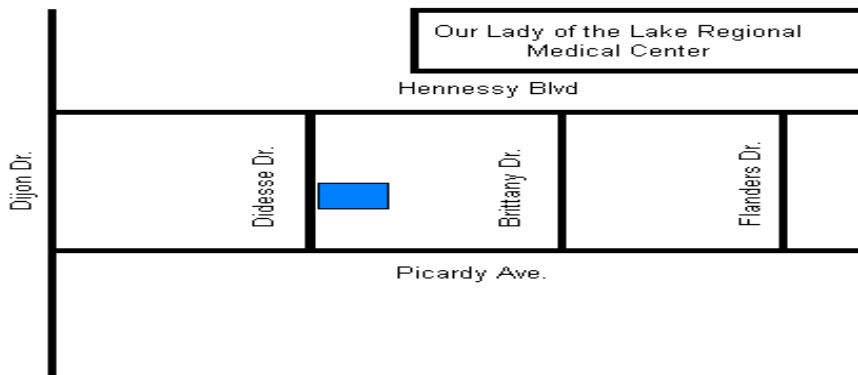
Please Support the CLS Association! Proceeds will help defray costs associated with attending our LA/MS Bi-State Convention.



**SGA sponsors**  
**2nd Annual Spring**  
**Crawfish Boil!**  
**Health Science Building**  
**March 19, 2007**  
**11:30 am - til they are gone!**

**LIBRARY UPDATE!!**

SUBMITTED BY TRAVIS DUDLEY , DEAN, LIBRARY



Hours of operation will be:

- Monday- Thursday      7:30 a.m. to 11:00p.m.
- Friday                      7:30 a.m. to 4:30p.m.
- Saturday                    10:00 a.m. to 3:00p.m.
- Sunday                      12:00 a.m. to 8:00p.m.

At this time all connections are accessible, but we do not have internet access.



**CAMP  
INSPIRATION**

Our Lady of the  
Lake's  
summer camp  
for children with  
asthma

July 15-20

Acadian Baptist  
Center in  
Eunice, LA.

All Campers are  
ages 8-12  
years old!

**CAREER COUNSELING SERVICES UPDATE:**

**LOL COLLEGE SEMI-ANNUAL  
JOB FAIR COMING SOON**

**Soup  
and  
Substance:**  
A Lenten Reflection



The President's Office is sponsoring a weekly "Soup and Substance" Lenten Retreat on five Friday's during the Lenten Season.

Dr. Francis Vanderwall will Lead the group.

Join us for a cup of soup and a time for prayer about our spiritual journey. Come for as many of the sessions as your schedule allows.

- March 2
- March 9
- March 16
- March 23
- March 30

12:00 Noon- 12:30pm.  
School of Nursing  
Faculty Lounge

Our Lady of the Lake College  
Nursing Building- 7500  
Hennessy Blvd.

**WHEN: MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2007  
1:30-3:30 P.M.**

**WHERE: Health Sciences Building  
7443 Picardy Avenue**

**WHO: OVER 40 EMPLOYERS**

Bring your resume and meet employers from Baton Rouge and the surrounding areas plus other cities in Louisiana and other states.

Look for additional information and details in the coming weeks via your OLOLC e-mail

**Need Help With a Resume,  
Cover Letter, Interviewing and  
Job Search Strategies?**

Call to Schedule your  
Appointment Today!

**Sharon Walker, LPC, MA**  
Career Planning Specialist  
768-0813

**Swalke02@lolcollege.edu**



# COUNSELING SERVICES UPDATE:

## “Student Responsibility” Seminar

**APRIL 2, 2007**

**THIS SEMINAR WILL  
TAKE PLACE IN ST. BASIL**

**LOCATED IN THE SCIENCE  
BUILDING @ 5345 Brittany  
Dr. BR, La 70808.**

**12NOON-2PM FOR EACH  
SEMINAR.**

**PLEASE CALL SHAWN  
GORDON @ 768-1724 FOR  
MORE DETAILS. HOPE TO  
SEE YOU THERE!!!!**

# ACT-R

## Workshops:

April 14 & 21, 2007

Time: 9AM-12PM

Be there @8:30

## Test Date:

April 28, 2007

Time 9AM-12PM

Be there @8:30

## OLOL College Tutor Lab

### Spring Hours:

Monday—Thursday

8 a.m. - 8p.m.

Friday

8a.m. - 4p.m.

Saturday

11a.m.— 3p.m.

Sunday

1p.m.— 5p.m.

To make an appointment  
for Tutoring, call  
Mrs. Gordon at  
768-1724

**\$\$ GET PAID TO  
TUTOR \$\$**

**TUTORS ARE NEEDED  
FOR**

Chemistry

Trigonometry

Biology (A&P)

Microbiology

Math

## The Sallie Mae Fund Scholarship



Applications  
Are Now Available For The  
2007 - 2008 Academic Year

[www.salliemaefund.org](http://www.salliemaefund.org)

## Response to Suggestions

January 19 – February 16

### Online services to students

The College has recently invested in an information system that will allow us to provide online services associated with registration, financial aid, and the business office. Our goal is to optimize a self-service approach. With the infrastructure provided by the new information system, we will be able to implement online services in phases with completion scheduled within the next two years.

### Graduation

We received several suggestions related to preparation for graduation as well as the ceremony itself. If you expect to graduate in May 2007, you should have already completed an Intent to Graduate form through the Registrar's Office. Please check your college email frequently for information specific to graduating students. The preparation days are scheduled for mid-February. At that time each graduate verifies his or her name as it will appear on the diploma, places an order for cap and gown, and is photographed by a professional photographer. A picture of each graduate is used for the composites that you see in each of the buildings. Graduates also have an opportunity to purchase a photo package. Invitations are also available for order during the "prep" days. Every graduating student is assessed a \$50.00 graduation fee in the final semester. This fee is applied to costs of diplomas, diploma covers, and caps and gowns. The Graduation Ceremony is scheduled for May 17 at 10:00 AM at the Baton Rouge River Center Arena. More details will be forthcoming.



### Availability of Nursing Clinical Schedules

#### Class Schedules

These are posted in the semester before the class is offered on the college's web site. Students should know what class, section, and times upon registration.

#### Clinical Schedules

These schedules are given out the first week of school because we have to be sure which students are actually present. All students in clinical course are aware that they will have to attend clinical 1-2 days weekly (8 or 12 hour shifts). Bb access for students is not handled by nursing. The add/drop period is usually the first week of class and we have a tremendous amount of students adding and dropping courses so clinical schedules change. We will work on a plan to disseminate

this information sooner but the schedule will not be final until we have verified who's attending and the drop/add period is over.

### Grading scales and issues

The Undergraduate School of Nursing uses a more stringent grading scale than the College because upon graduation students must take and successfully complete the NCLEX-RN for licensure. It is standard practice throughout the US among preparatory nursing programs to use a grading scale similar to the one we use in order to prepare students for the high level of expected performance on the NCLEX. Research bears out that when schools of nursing make more lenient grading scales, students are less prepared for the NCLEX and therefore are less likely to become licensed as registered nurses in their first attempt at the NCLEX.

### Parking

Campus parking is problematic and more so on some days than on others and more so at certain times than at other times. We have been monitoring the lots and there always seems to be available parking on the gravel lot at the end of Hennessey Blvd. With the current construction project on the hospital parking garage, surface parking is at an even greater premium. Please check all the lots around the college buildings and not just the one in which you have class. Arrive as early as you can so that you won't be late for class.

### Gym membership

We agree that regular exercise is important to wellness. While students don't have free access to the fitness center at the OLOLRMC, they are provided a membership at the same rate as employees.



### Yearbooks

The College hasn't published a yearbook in quite a number of years due to lack of interest on the part of the student body. If a yearbook is something that is desired, it should be proposed to the SGA.

### "DMS" diagnostic medical sonography:

Thanks for your question about Diagnostic Medical Sonography courses at OLOLC. College faculty previously considered this but due to cost considerations and availability of appropriate faculty to teach such courses, it was decided that this was not feasible. If you have any further questions, you may contact Debbie Gallerson in the radiologic technology program or Todd Casanova, Department Chair of Diagnostic Sciences.

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### “3 hour classes In St. Basil”

We will examine our utilization of St. Basil classroom for night classes as you suggest. Thanks for your comments.

### Obstetrical Nursing Course

Obstetrical nursing is not an optional nursing specialty. It is a required component of all basic preparatory registered nursing programs. Without the inclusion of an OB course, students would not be properly prepared to take the NCLEX-RN. If you are having difficulty completing this course in the ASN program, you need to work closely with the course faculty so that you gain the necessary mastery of the information being presented. While OB is an area with less men employed than other nursing specialties it is not unusual for men to be employed in OB nursing after graduation. Many men work in areas such as well baby nursery and NICU and there are many throughout the US who work in units such as post-partum and labor and delivery.

### Wireless Internet connections

The College is aware of the problem with access to student email via the wireless network. In partnership with the hospital technical department, the College has localized the problem and applied appropriate patches to fix the issue on February 26, 2007. Once those patches have been tested the fixes will be rolled out campus wide. It is expected that the issue will be resolved in the coming



# ATTENTION:

Do you know someone who is an outstanding employee?

Do you think they deserve to be recognized as a noteworthy person?

Is so please let us know!!

Email: [Karen.Goodridge@lolcollege.edu](mailto:Karen.Goodridge@lolcollege.edu)



## Introducing: Karen Goodridge



Karen is the new Student Development Specialist for the Office of Student Services, in the new student services offices at 5414 Brittany Dr. She joined OLOLC February 12, 2007.

Karen graduated from Southeastern Louisiana University (SLU) with a Master of Education, Counselor Education; Concentration in Student Affairs Degree and currently a License Professional Counselor (LPC) Intern. While at SLU, she had the opportunity to gain experience working with college students in the following areas: Academic Advising, Career Counseling and Disability Services. We are very proud and excited about having her here!

## Quote of the Month

"Every job is a self-portrait of the person who did it. Autograph your work with excellence." Unknown



The Latest At The Lake

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Has your class or organization done something you would like to share? You can contribute by emailing

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# March 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>SPRING BREAK</b>						
11	12 Daylight Savings Begins	13 Advising and Pre-Registration	14	15	16	17
18	19 SGA Mtg and Crawfish Boil	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 SGA Elections	27	28	29	30	31