

MONROE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WEEKLY REPORT

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Help Shape the Future of ULM and Northeast Louisiana!

ULM President Nick Bruno invites you and the Northeast Louisiana business community to a conversation about the future of our state, local communities and how higher education can help build a brighter future for the Northeast region of the state. This meeting provides a great opportunity for the various constituencies to make known the importance of ULM to this region.

On **Monday, September 19, 2011, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.**, Board of Regents Chairman Robert Levy and Commissioner of Higher Education Jim Purcell will be visiting the University of Louisiana at Monroe to discuss the current status and future potential of the region. We are particularly interested in hearing from local leaders about their priorities and plans.

This session will be held in the **ULM Library Conference Center, 7th floor**. Please take the opportunity to attend and to provide input and ask questions regarding this very important topic. This meeting can have a significant impact on the future of Northeast Louisiana's workforce.

In order to assist in facilitating this meeting, please **RSVP to Kathy Masters at 342-1010 by Thursday September 15, 2011.**

President Bruno and the faculty and staff at ULM Thank you and look forward to seeing you on **September 19.**

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Tuesday, September 6 at 12 noon**-Monroe Chamber Ambassador's Club will meet at The Atrium. Lorraine Slacks will speak on the new African American Museum. The cost to attend is \$11 per person.
- **Wednesday, September 7 at 10:30 a.m.**-Grand Opening of the West Monroe High School Branch of the Ouachita Valley Federal Credit Union (located behind Student Services)
- **Wednesday, September 7 at 11:30**-Governor Bobby Jindal will speak at the Monroe Civic Center. Cost for lunch is \$25 per person. To RSVP or for more information, please call Daphne McClish at 807-4018.
- **Friday, September 9 at 4:00 p.m.**-Ribbon Cutting and Dedication for the Lee Junior High School Gym. The school is located at 1600 North 19th Street in Monroe.
- **Saturday, September 10 at 11:00 a.m.**-Dedication of Six New Habitat Homes. 400 Block of N. 16th Street in Monroe.
- **Tuesday, September 13 at 6:00 p.m.**-Monroe City Council will meet at Monroe City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Thursday, September 15 at 9:30 a.m.**-Pampered and Polished Ribbon Cutting. The new business is located at 4075 Sterlington Road, Suite 7.
- **Monday, September 19 at 5:00 p.m.**-Ouachita Parish Police Jury will meet at the Ouachita Parish Courthouse.
- **Sunday, October 2 at 1:00 p.m.**-Investiture for ULM President Dr. Nick Bruno.
- **Tuesday, October 18 at 12 noon**-Annual Workforce Solutions Luncheon celebrating the 10th anniversary of Louisiana Delta Community College featuring Dr. Luke Robins. The event will be held at Delta Community College. Cost to attend is \$25 per person.
- **Tuesday, November 8 at 7:30 a.m.**-CenturyLink Accent of Excellence breakfast recognizing Outstanding Teachers and Professors will be held at the Monroe Civic Center. Cost to attend is \$25 per person.











State of the State Lunch

with

Governor Bobby Jindal

Wednesday, September 7

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

*Monroe Civic Center
Conference Hall*

Sponsors:

<p>AT&T ANGUS Chemical Atmos Energy Brookshire's Capital One Bank CenturyLink City of Monroe DeltaStyle Magazine FunRadio 92.7 fm Glenwood Regional Medical Center Graphic Packaging</p>	<p>Holyfield Construction IberiaBank KTVE NBC 10/KARD FOX 14 Luffey, Huffman, Ragsdale, Soignier Opus Broadcasting P & S Surgical Hospital Patty Stewart Photography Saint Francis Medical Center Steel Fabricators The Radio People Vantage Health Plan</p>
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Sponsorships Still Available

Registration Deadline: Monday, September 5

All reservations received after September 2, will be charged an additional \$5 per person

Advance payment required. No-shows are responsible for the cost of reservation(s).

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212 Walnut Street, Monroe, LA 71201
Call 323-3461 or Fax to 812-7594 or
Email: dmcclish@monroe.org

MEMBERS

\$25 per person or \$200 per table

NON-MEMBERS

\$30 per person or \$240 per table

Additional \$40 per table after
Deadline

Yes, I'll be attending the State of the State Update Lunch w/Governor Jindal.

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ for _____ person (s), or \$ _____ for _____ tables.

Company Name _____ Contact Person _____

Persons attending _____


Phone _____ Address _____

Credit Card # _____ Expiration _____ Signature _____

I am the Monroe Chamber.

It's about the power of 1,000 members, like you, working together to build a thriving business environment and a better community.

Join us at monroe.org.



MONROE
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Paul Hutcheson
IberiaBank

Monroe Chamber Kicks Off 2011 Membership Drive

Being a member of the Monroe Chamber of Commerce provides tremendous opportunities to be a part of something that significantly benefits the business community and the community as a whole, as well as the opportunity to establish meaningful business relationships with fellow members. Benefits of Monroe Chamber membership range from increased awareness of your business and establishment of new business contacts to, most importantly, growth of your customer base and business volume. Monroe Chamber involvement gives business owners an opportunity to unite and have a voice and obtain the credibility that businesses need. There are numerous opportunities for chamber members to become involved in the different committees the chamber offers from being an ambassador of the Monroe chamber to becoming a chamber board member. The Monroe Chamber members become one powerful voice and together, we are stronger. Individuals or businesses can join the Monroe Chamber of Commerce simply by visiting www.monroe.org to apply online for membership or by calling (318) 323-3461 for more information.

You are invited to join the
Purchasing Managers Group

NAPM LOU-ARK, INC
SEPTEMBER MEETING

at

BAYOU BISTRO

**Thursday, SEPTEMBER
15th**

Social time starts at 5:30 pm
Start this year off right and
come to our first meeting, help
us plan our 2011-2012 year!!

Thursday, September 8, 2011 11:30AM - 1:00PM

Join us for our monthly meeting at the West Monroe Convention Center, 901 Ridge Ave, West Monroe, LA.

Our speaker this month is Patricia A. Bollman, Attorney with A Professional Law Corporation in Metairie, LA. She will speak on I-9 Training and Compliance Procedures. This program has been pre-approved for 1 hour General HRCI credit.

Patricia A. Bollman is a 1986 graduate of Tulane University School of Law. For over twenty years Ms. Bollman has practiced primarily in the area of immigration and nationality law. A significant portion of Ms. Bollman's immigration law practice is in the area of employment based immigration matters. Ms. Bollman has developed an expertise in I-9 compliance issues and has written an I-9 training seminar which she teaches to HR and Personnel staff for business of all sizes and industries. Ms. Bollman has spoken at law schools and for professional and public groups on employment based immigration visas and I-9 compliance procedures.

The cost for NELA-SHRM members will be \$13 which covers the cost of the meal. The cost for non-members is \$20 per person. Please RSVP as soon as possible either directly back to me, or on our web site at www.nelashrm.org so we can provide the center with an accurate headcount.

It's that time again! The time when graduating seniors polish up their resumes, dust off their business suits, and put their best foot forward. The time when ULM students and alumni come together to show you what they have to offer your company!

The University of Louisiana at Monroe's Office of Career Connections & Experiential Education invites you to mark your calendars and reserve a space for our **Fall Career Fairs**.

CAREER FAIRS

Nursing and Health Sciences Career Fair

October 4, 2011 5:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Register: https://webservices.ulm.edu/wsforms/viewform.php?fid=career_connections_health_career_fairs

Nursing and Health Sciences includes: Nursing, Radiologic Technology, Speech-Language Pathology, Dental Hygiene, Occupational Therapy Assistants, Clinical Laboratory Science, & Health Studies.

All Majors Fall Career Fair

October 12, 2011 10:00 am – 3:30 pm

Register: https://webservices.ulm.edu/wsforms/viewform.php?fid=career_connections_fall_career_day

ON-CAMPUS INTERVIEWS

Private interview rooms will be provided the day following the Fall All Majors Career Fair. Please call our office to reserve a room for that day or to schedule any other day(s) for on-campus interviews. The Office of Career Connections will publicize your career opportunities on campus, schedule student interviews, and reserve private interview rooms for you. This is a great way to maximize your exposure to ULM student/alum applicants and an efficient way to interview as many applicants as possible. Please call us at 318-342-5338 today to schedule your on-campus interview days!

Join us for the Fall All-Majors Career Fair on October 12: Click [here](#) to register your business.

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20th Annual James M. Shipp, Jr. Memorial Young Business Leader Award

The Leadership Council and Monroe Chamber of Commerce are accepting nominations for the 20th Annual James M. Shipp, Jr. Memorial Young Business Leader Award.

Jim Shipp was the General Manager for IMC in Sterlington who was tragically killed during the plant explosion in 1991. Jim was a Monroe Chamber of Commerce Board member and a leader in our community. We honor his life of leadership through the recipients of this prestigious award. The award recognizes his vision for outstanding community leadership.

Qualifying Nomination Guidelines:

1. The award is presented annually to an individual who has displayed outstanding civic leadership ability, contributions to community progress, personal and business standing in Ouachita Parish.
2. Nominee must be a resident of Ouachita Parish.
3. Nominee must be 45 years of age or younger.

The Leadership Council Chairman chooses the selection committee. All nominations are confidential. The deadline to submit nominations is Friday, October 14, 2011. Please mail your nominations to: James M. Shipp, Jr. Memorial Young Business Leader Award, Monroe Chamber of Commerce, 212 Walnut Street, Suite 100, Monroe, LA 71201.

The award will be presented during the 23rd Leadership Ouachita Graduation Banquet on Thursday, November 3 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Monroe Chamber Golf Tournament Results

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

1st Patty Stewart Photography

Melvin Ward

Monroe Mitcell

Mauri Turner

Joel Turner

2nd

WaterFront Grill

Rick Owens

Mike Williamson

Clay Weems

Lou St Amant

1st FLIGHT

1st DeltaStyle

Trent Livingston

Steve Brennan

James Thomas

John Thomas

2nd

Ouachita Terminals

Terry Baugh

Steve Hackworth

Paul Trichel

Jonathan Johnson

2nd FLIGHT

1st Centric Federal Credit Union

Chris Craighead

Joe Phillips

Johnny Wilbanks

Billy Hance

2nd

Progressive Bank

Jeff Laudenheimer

Jacob Self

Mark Grabert

Al Hayward

Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all the teams who played in the tournament. Special thank you to Frenchman's Bend Golf Course for their help with the Chamber's Annual Golf Classic.



Workforce Solutions Luncheon



Presented by the Monroe Chamber of Commerce

With Keynote Speaker:



Dr. Luke Robins
Chancellor



Tuesday, October 18
12:00 - 1:00 pm

LA Delta Community College
Conference Center -7500 Millhaven Rd

Sponsors:



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The Monroe Chamber's mission
is to lead in the creation
of an environment in which
our businesses thrive.



Save the Date



"Investing in a Brighter Future" 



LOUISIANA
DELTA
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

1st Annual Scholarship & Donor Breakfast

Thursday, September 22, 2011
7:30 a.m.

Conference Center - Louisiana Delta Community College
7500 Millhaven Road

FOUNDATION
LOUISIANA DELTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE