

# Louisiana Alumni & Friends Association

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## All-School Alumni Reunion Events for 2022!

The Louisiana Alumni and Friends Association planning committee set the schedule for this year's events at its March meeting after confirming the Chamber of Commerce is planning to move Colorfest back to the third weekend of October. On Saturday, October 15, during Colorfest weekend, an all-school and all-class reunion social / mixer will kick-off the evening's events at the American Legion Hall located at 420 Kelly Lane. This will run from 5 p.m. till 6:30 p.m. and is open to anyone who attended school in Louisiana, their spouse/significant other and/or friends, and any friends of the local schools. This social / mixer is free with a cash bar available from the American Legion. This provides a great opportunity for alumni from one class to mingle and reminisce with those from other classes.

After the social / mixer, a dinner for only those with reservations will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion. The bountiful meal will be catered by Vicky Mitts Keely ('78) and tickets are \$25 per person. This dinner ticket will include admission to the dance which starts at 9 p.m. (see below).

The dinner will again include recognition of this year's special reunion classes (those with their graduation year ending in 2 or 7) in attendance. With COVID restrictions having been lifted, we anticipate a large crowd. Since seating is limited, make your reservations today (see the Reservation Form inside the back cover, page 11). Also, a very brief annual business meeting required by our by-laws will be held before dinner.

A bit later that evening at the American Legion Hall, there will be a dance with live music featuring the band *Country Soul*. This will run from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. with doors opening at 8:30 p.m. A \$5/person cover charge will be required to enter for the dance (unless you attended the dinner earlier). During all events at the American Legion a cash bar will be available benefitting the Legion.

In case you are wondering, the Bulldogs football team will be playing at Van-Far on Friday, October 14 at 7 p.m. The Homecoming game is tentatively scheduled for Friday, October 7 at 7 p.m. The parade will be held on Georgia Street (generally from about 12<sup>th</sup> Street to Main Street but may start at Sunset Park and go west to LHS) that afternoon. Time of the parade has not been set. By the way, the LHS FFA (Future Farmers of America) chapter usually conducts a big BBQ fundraiser from 4 to 7 p.m. on Homecoming Day. Eat at LHS (barring COVID restrictions) and then enjoy the game or get carryout.

If you are interested in playing golf from Friday-Sunday of Colorfest weekend, the Pike County Country Club has agreed to allow returning alumni and friends to play 18 holes or more for \$25 per person, which includes a cart. Inquire at the course about 9-hole rates if that is your preference.

If a group of returning alumni has particular interest in touring LHS/LMS on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, they should contact Walter Logan [waltercl2@att.net](mailto:waltercl2@att.net) by October 3<sup>rd</sup> so arrangements can be made.

**NOTE:** These plans could change given the latest guidelines on the COVID-19 pandemic. All updates on any changes in plans will be posted on [www.LouisianaAlumniAssociation.org](http://www.LouisianaAlumniAssociation.org) and the Louisiana High School Alumni and Friends Association page on Facebook.



*A few members of the Class of 1971 prepare for the 2021 Colorfest Parade (Photo courtesy of Ira Oliver)*

Greetings Fellow Alumni,

Another year has passed and we are planning our all-school reunion to be held in conjunction with Colorfest the third weekend of October. We are anticipating a great turnout this year.

The Alumni Association exists with the help and donations from the alumni network. This newsletter, various activities and scholarship programs are a few examples of things funded by alumni donations. Within this newsletter is the reservation form for the reunion that has an area for donations. Please help us keep the Alumni Association viable.

I look forward to seeing you in October.

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# Helping Our School District

Your Alumni Association has helped support the district in a variety of ways this year.

As indicated last year, the Association reimbursed the district \$336 for the purchase of 3 Louisiana R-II Schools flags with a large bulldog head on them which fly in front of the school.

At our meeting in April, three LHS students made a presentation about their plans to improve the courtyard to make it more useful and attractive. Many may remember the former courtyard at the high school which had grass (usually with LOTS of dandelions!) and for years had a fountain. Much of that space has been used to add enclosed hallways to connect the buildings and a computer lab for the high school and art room for the middle school. This left a smaller space with doors from the hallways on each side but with rock and pavers. The students indicated they planned to add benches, planters, and picnic tables so students could eat lunch there on nice days and teachers could use it as an outdoor classroom. They had a fundraiser planned to help their cause. The Association's planning committee liked the initiative shown by the students and agreed to donate \$1,000 to their project. (see photo below)

The Association's planning committee agreed to recognize throughout the year various segments of school staff on their "special" day. For instance, in early April potted geraniums were given to the three district librarians on National School Librarian Day, cupcakes given to all teachers and paras (formerly known as aides) in early May for Teacher Appreciation Week and lunch was provided for our school nurse on School Nurse Day and cooks on School Lunch Hero Day in May. Other staff such as administrators, administrative assistants, etc. will be recognized on their "special" day. Notes accompany these saying, "Thanks for all you do!" from the Louisiana Alumni & Friends Association.

At the upcoming back-to-school luncheon Rotary provides and serves in August, the Alumni Association will be giving every teacher (approximately 67) a \$25 Wal-Mart gift card so they can buy things for their rooms/students such as pencils, paper, and other supplies which they often end up paying for out of their own pocket. Another small token to show our appreciation for their efforts.

As usual, the Association also donated to the After-Prom Party Committee and purchased a half-page ad in the ALAMO yearbook.



*Librarian Brittany Murray receiving a potted geranium on National School Librarian Day from the Alumni Association presented by Cindy Blaylock (Photo courtesy of Cindy Blaylock)*



*Alumni President Mark Haddock presenting \$1,000 check to LHS students along with Teresa Long for the Courtyard project (Photo courtesy of Walter Logan)*



*2022 Progress on the Courtyard project (Photo courtesy of Walter Logan)*

## Four-day week coming to Louisiana

Over the last two years there have been discussions about the possibility of Louisiana schools moving from a traditional five-day school week to a four-day week. Many rural districts in Missouri (115 districts out of a total of 518 in Mo.) have made the change over the last 5-6 years. The first district did so in 2010-2011. Initially, districts thought a four-day week would net a reduction in expenses but that has not materialized to the extent anticipated. Now it is being viewed more as a necessity to remain competitive in attracting and retaining talented educators.

School districts in our conference which have already been operating under a four-day week are Clopton, Elsberry, Mark Twain, Montgomery Co., North Callaway, Silex, Van-Far, and Wellsville-Middletown. Only Bowling Green and Wright City are not.

In late January several teachers and parents attended a Board of Education meeting to express their concerns. One teacher spoke referring to a letter signed by several elementary, middle, and high school teachers asking the board to reach a decision sooner rather than later to allow ample time for parents and the community to prepare for the change. The Board indicated their intention to make a final decision in February.

A significant challenge faced by the Board in deliberations was how to deal with the change for hourly staff. The administration indicated they wanted to boost the hourly rate up so each hourly staff member's earnings will at least remain where they have been.

At the February school board meeting, the board voted unanimously to move to a four-day week beginning this August. Tuesday through Friday will be the new school week. The school days will run from 7:40 a.m. till 3:30 p.m. with LHS having seven, 57-minute classes and a new 24-minute 8<sup>th</sup> period which will allow students to work on homework, seek extra help from teachers, make up tests, and hold meetings without interfering with other classes. If students must leave early for out-of-town school activities, this 8<sup>th</sup> hour will prevent them from missing much instructional time. Teachers will be able to make medical appointments, etc. on Mondays which may reduce the need for subs.

LHS students who elect to attend half-days at Pike-Lincoln Technical Center in Eolia for the programs they offer will still be required to attend PLTC all five days each week.





## New Superintendent hired for Louisiana R-II School District

Dr. Thomas Ward was selected in February by the board of education as the new superintendent of the Louisiana R-II school district effective July 1, 2022. Ward comes to Louisiana R-II from Danville, Iowa, where he has been the superintendent since 2017. Yes, this is the same Tom Ward who grew up in Louisiana and graduated from LHS in 1971.

*Dr. Thomas Ward  
(Photo courtesy  
of LHS)*

Ward brings a vast amount of educational experience with him. He began his career teaching, including in Louisiana R-II from 1986-1999. He earned a master's in education administration degree from Lindenwood University in 1999, receiving the "HUSS Graduate Student Award in Education Administration" and his Specialist in admin education in 2002 receiving the "Lighthouse Consulting Education Specialist Award." In 2007, he earned his Ph.D. in Administration from Capella University, where his dissertation "Impact of Embedded Credits on Vocational Students in Missouri" was published.

Jenna Lynn Loveless, president of the Louisiana R-II Board of Education said, "We are excited to have Dr. Ward back in Louisiana as our new superintendent. I believe his knowledge and experience will be an asset to our district."

"It is a privilege and honor to be selected as the next superintendent at Louisiana R-II and given the opportunity to come back to my roots in education and the community," said Ward. "I look forward to working with the board, staff, students, and the families of the Louisiana District. I can't wait for the time to meet with all the patrons of the district," he added.

He and his wife have now returned to Pike County and reside on the family farm.

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## Banners Improve Curb Appeal

This past February new banners appeared mounted on the light poles along the drive in front of the high school and middle school campus. The LHS-red banners have a large bulldog head and Louisiana Bulldogs on both sides. When asked whose idea these were and who paid for them, the reply was the Activities Director (Ryan Griffin) suggested them and the superintendent approved the purchase. The timing of their appearance happened to coincide with LHS hosting the district basketball tournament. They certainly dress up the campus for visitors and patrons alike.



## Principals hired for Louisiana R-II Schools

Due to retirement and accepting other positions, there will be new faces in principal roles in all three District buildings. At the elementary school, Teresa Long has been chosen to assume the role of principal after the former principal retired. A native of Hedrick, Iowa, she has been teaching Literature, Composition, Speech, and Yearbook (many dual credit classes) in Louisiana High School for the last 8 years after coming from Albany (MO) High School. Teresa earned her master's in educational leadership degree from NW Missouri State University in 2007. She lives outside of Louisiana, is the eldest of 10 children, has one daughter and three grandchildren with whom she enjoys spending time.

In mid-June the R-II board hired Ryan Griffin as the middle school principal. He started in education with the Louisiana R-II district 15 years ago as a social studies teacher at LHS and has served as Activities Director / A+ Program coordinator for the last 7 years. A native of Hillside, IL, Ryan earned his bachelor's from UM-Rolla in history with an emphasis in education and his master's from William Woods in administration. He lives in Louisiana with his wife, Jessie, and their 3 children ranging in age from 13 to 4 years.

Bobby Spoonster, who has served as the middle school principal in Louisiana for the past four years, will be serving the same role at the high school this coming year. He's taught PE and coached basketball at Clopton and Bowling Green and served as Activities Director and Assistant Principal in Warrenton before coming to Louisiana. He lives with his wife and 5 children outside Eolia where they raise and show Hampshire sheep.



*Left to right are Bobby Spoonster, LHS principal; Ryan Griffin, LMS principal; and Teresa Long, LEM principal  
(Photo courtesy of Walter Logan)*



## Moved? Changed your email address?

If you move or change your email address, please let us know. We want to maintain an accurate roster of all who have attended Louisiana schools. If you are receiving this newsletter via mail and have an email account which you check regularly, please send your email address with your full name (please include maiden name), and graduation year (or the year you would have graduated had you stayed) to [LHSAumniLouisianaMO@gmail.com](mailto:LHSAumniLouisianaMO@gmail.com). This will save the Association the cost of printing and mailing future newsletters (approximately \$1.20 each).

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## Alumni Association Scholarships

During our Association's first two years, two \$500 scholarships were awarded to graduating seniors each year. The next two years, based on the scholarship fund balances, our Association voted to award four \$500 scholarships to eligible graduating seniors who applied. In 2013-2015 we awarded four \$750 scholarships. Since 2016 our Association has awarded four \$1,000 scholarships annually. This year's recipients were announced during an in-person Awards Night in May. They are listed below along with their plans after graduation:

**Tramaine Chatman** will attend the American Welding Academy, receive all available certifications, work on the pipeline before starting his own welding company; **Alexis Ince** will be attending William Woods University and major in American Sign Language, study art, get her Masters and become an art educator; **Nathan Perkins** plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia but is undecided on a major at this time; **Delaney Poyser** will attend Hannibal-LaGrange University to get her degree in nursing then wants to work in a pediatric hospital.

This brings the total amount of scholarships awarded by our Association to LHS graduates since 2009 to \$43,000! This has been made possible only with the support from many of you. THANK YOU! It is our hope the Association will be able to continue to make these and even greater awards in the years to come.

The Association wishes these students and the entire Class of 2022, which was 52 strong, the absolute best in the years ahead!



Tramaine Chatman  
(Photos courtesy of LHS)



Alexis Ince



Nathan Perkins



Delaney Poyser

## Morrow and Gierke Scholarships Awarded

The recipient of the 2022 Ellen Morrow Memorial Math Scholarship, administered and selected by the Alumni Association, was **Fengxiang "Rick" Tan**. Born in China and having moved to the US at age 10, Rick will be attending the University of Missouri-Columbia and plans to major in finance. This scholarship, named after a long-time LHS math teacher, goes to the top math student and is in the amount of \$1,000.

The Association's scholarship committee selected **Tatum DePriest** for the 2022 Gierke Family Memorial Scholarship. Tatum plans to attend Moberly Area Community College in Hannibal using the A+ program then transfer to Hannibal-LaGrange where she plans to get her degree in nursing. She plans to specialize in Labor and Delivery and work in that field. This scholarship memorializes brothers Jacob and Christian Gierke and their father, Jim, who was the former owner of the Louisiana Press-Journal. This \$2,000 scholarship is administered by the Missouri Press Association.



Fengxiang "Rick" Tan  
(Photos courtesy of LHS)



Tatum DePriest

## LHS ALAMO Yearbooks are Online

Don't forget you can view any of the LHS ALAMO yearbooks through 2020 online. (The 2021 edition will be added later this year.) These were scanned a handful of years ago and it has turned out to be by far the most viewed page of the Alumni Association's website. The website page where the yearbooks can be viewed is [www.LouisianaAlumniAssociation.org/alamos\\_yearbooks](http://www.LouisianaAlumniAssociation.org/alamos_yearbooks). Should you have photographs or clippings which you believe would be of interest in helping to preserve the history of LHS, contact Mike Pratt at 314-609-9821 or via email at [LHSAlumniLouisianaMO@gmail.com](mailto:LHSAlumniLouisianaMO@gmail.com).

## Anonymous Alum Supports Morrow Scholarship

Early this year an LHS graduate contacted the Association expressing interest in adding to the Ellen Morrow Math Scholarship fund. The donor indicated Mrs. Morrow was instrumental in his success. This person ultimately made a very substantial donation to the Morrow Scholarship this spring saying he intends to assure this scholarship is funded into perpetuity.

This donor said he hopes this gift will encourage other alumni to step up and support our Alumni Association scholarship fund in a substantial way. (Editorial note: Clopton's Alumni Association awards ten, \$2,500 scholarships each year to graduating seniors. That's \$25,000 vs. \$4,000 total awarded by our Association to LHS seniors each year. With your help, the Louisiana Alumni Association would like to be able to meet or exceed that number of scholarships.)



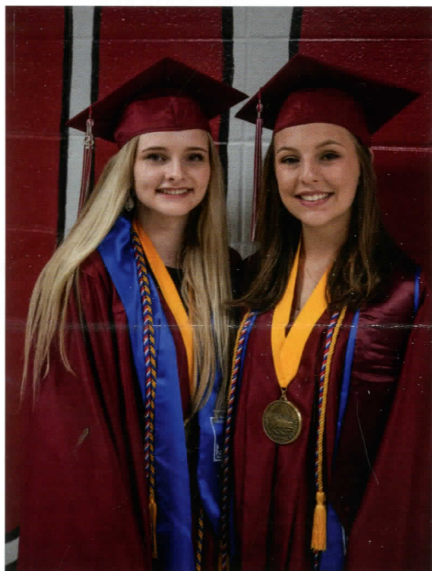
## New Scholarship Established

Early this year Fred Meloan (LHS '55) contacted the Louisiana R-II School District Superintendent, Dr. Todd Smith, about his desire to establish an on-going scholarship. Dr. Smith then contacted the Alumni Association due to the many scholarships maintained and overseen by the organization. In communicating with the Association's Scholarship Committee chair, Linda Shade, Mr. Meloan indicated he would place his donated funds into a dedicated investment account which his son, Paul Meloan, would manage (he works in that field). After subsequent conversations and with Mr. Meloan's input, it was decided that the new Meloan Family Trust Scholarship Fund would award scholarships to the Valedictorian and Salutatorian of each graduating class from Louisiana High School beginning with the Class of 2022. The 2022 Valedictorian will receive \$3,000 and the Salutatorian \$2,000 with the provision they continue their education. Should either not do so, then the scholarship would be awarded to the student with the next highest grade point average who is going to continue their education. The amounts each year may vary based on how the investments perform.

The Association asked Mr. Meloan for a little background on his life's journey to share with his fellow alumni in this newsletter. He shared the following:

"Our family has always believed that a good education is important to success in life. My older brother, Lewis Meloan, and I both grew up in Clarksville. He was a member of the LHS Class of 1952, and I joined the LHS Class of 1955 as we felt LHS offered us a better education than we could have received in Clarksville.

In my senior year at LHS, I was honored to be elected President of the Student Body and was Valedictorian for the Class of 1955.



Clair "Sonny" Picone, LHS 2022 Salutatorian at left and 2022 Valedictorian Tegan Carrington. (Photo courtesy of The People's Tribune)

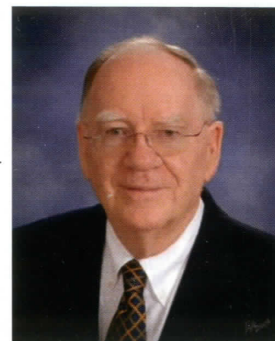
After our time at LHS my brother went on to graduate from the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. I attended Washington University in St. Louis and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (BSEE) and a subsequent Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree. I was fortunate to be able to earn my MBA while also serving three years as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Ordnance Corps.

My first employment after Washington University and the U.S. Army was with A.T.&T. where I was transferred to Washington, D.C. After three years with A.T.&T. and two years with the Communications Satellite Corporation (COMSAT) I made the conscious decision in 1969 that I enjoyed living in the Washington, D.C. area and accepted a position with what is now the Clark Construction Group with the responsibility for managing a division of the company. That decision worked out well for me as I retired in 1999 as a Senior Vice President of what is now a national building contractor.

As I approach my 85<sup>th</sup> birthday, it's time to "give back" to the educational institution that prepared my brother and myself extremely well for our subsequent schooling and life."

The Alumni Association is very grateful and appreciative for the generosity shown by Mr. Meloan in establishing this scholarship fund which will assist many bright, LHS graduates for years to come.

The Valedictorian of the Class of 2022, therefore the first recipient of the Meloan Scholarship in the amount of \$3,000, was **Tegan Carrington**. She plans to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia and double major in business/marketing and graphic design. The Salutatorian of the Class of 2022 and the recipient of a \$2,000 Meloan Scholarship was **Clair "Sonny" Picone**. Her plans are to enroll at Moberly Area Community College then transfer and pursue a career in law.



Fred Meloan (LHS '55)  
(Photo courtesy of Mr. Meloan)

## Financial Support System

Everyone who has attended Louisiana schools or served the district as an administrator, teacher, or support staff is automatically a member of the Alumni Association. This is true even if it was for a short time. We no longer ask for annual dues to be a member of the Louisiana Alumni & Friends Association.

In lieu of annual dues, each member of the Association is asked to make a regular, tax-deductible donation as their situation permits. These donations will help provide on-going operating funds to cover the cost of regular expenses such as printing and mailing our alumni newsletter, website maintenance, and special purchases of materials, services, and/or equipment made to enhance the Louisiana R-II School District and to, in turn, benefit its students.

The suggested donation categories are as follows:

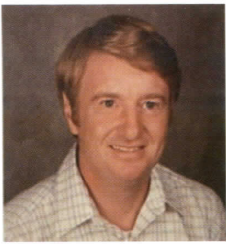
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| <b>White.....</b>      | <b>\$5.00 - \$24.99</b>  |
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| <b>Bulldog.....</b>    | <b>\$50.00 - \$99.99</b> |
| <b>Super Dawg.....</b> | <b>\$100.00 and up</b>   |

We ask you to consider making a donation. Does your employer make matching donations to tax-exempt organizations? If so, please have them match your donation.

How about making a tax-deductible donation now! See the Reservation Form with this newsletter which has a space for donations or you may do so on our website using PayPal at

[http://www.louisianaalumniassociation.org/use\\_paypal](http://www.louisianaalumniassociation.org/use_paypal).





## In Memory of George Shrum

Mr. Shrum, a long-time teacher in Louisiana, died November 13, 2021.

George was born in Hannibal, MO on November 19, 1943, and graduated from Hannibal High School. He attended the following universities: Hannibal LaGrange College, Northeast

Missouri State, University of Memphis, and Central Missouri State where he met his future wife Mary Fiske from Canaan, NH. Before completing his education, George enlisted in the U.S. Navy.

George and Mary, who survives, were married June 29, 1968, while he was enlisted in the Navy. After he was discharged from the Navy, he completed his education at Central Missouri State with a Bachelor's in Education.

In 1973 George started teaching 7th and 8th grade Social Studies in the middle school in Louisiana. It was then his greatest impact could be felt. Countless students passed through his classroom door, including his own three sons. To George there were no bad students, all of them had the ability to succeed, and it was up to him to help bring that ability out in them. For him education went hand in hand with enjoyment, not anxiety. Through his lessons he taught students how to make the world a better place, not just for themselves, but for everyone around them. Teaching the importance of not just passing through life, but to pay attention to everything around them. Pay attention to not just your loved ones but see people who may be struggling and need a helping hand. That kind gesture may go a long way in making someone feel significant and worthwhile.

The family indicated memorials could be made to the Donor's choice.

## Highlights of the Year in Band



LHS Marching Band

(Photo Courtesy of Ira Oliver)

The high school band performed a full marching show, complete with three movements, at every home football game. They also marched in festivals in Elsberry, Clarksville, Louisiana and in Truman State University's Homecoming Parade and got to watch the game

and Truman's band perform pregame and halftime shows.

Four LHS students auditioned and earned spots in the EMO Conference Band. Their leader, Mr. Stettes, entered them in two festivals for judging where the group performed multiple pieces in front of 3 judges. The band received exemplary (highest achievable) ratings at each festival from all 6 judges. The LHS Woodwind Quartet received exemplary rating, which advanced the group to perform at the state level. The group came home from state with a bronze rating, the third highest score.

The future of the Louisiana Band Program is bright. Three 7<sup>th</sup> graders performed solos in front of judges at Central Methodist University's MusicFest. They all received exemplary ratings in this their first time to be judged. A great achievement! The incoming freshman class is projected to have more than 30 students joining the program.

The Louisiana Band Program reached new heights this past year through their dedication and striving for excellence and we wish them even more success in the coming year.



## In Memory of Dale Miller

Dale Erwin Miller, age 71, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, passed away on March 16, 2022.

Dale was born on February 4, 1951, in Highland Park, Michigan and graduated from Cooley High School in Detroit, Michigan. He continued his education at Michigan State

University and received his Bachelor of Science in Biology and went on to complete his Master's in Education at Wayne State University.

Dale married Kay Lynn Cook, who survives, on June 29, 1974, in Fremont, Michigan.

Dale taught for 32 years, most of which was at Louisiana High School teaching science. During his tenure, he coached football, golf, volleyball, and quiz bowl.

Dale led an active lifestyle which included playing softball, running, weightlifting, and golfing. Later in life, he took up painting. He had a lifelong love of music which he nurtured by performing in his college marching band, playing the organ, and singing in the church choir. Dale was an avid Michigan State Spartan fan and enjoyed attending and watching MSU football and basketball games. Upon retirement, Dale and Kay moved to their family property in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

The family indicated memorial donations may be given to [saving-sight.org](https://saving-sight.org), [leadershiplaunch.org](https://leadershiplaunch.org), or a charity of the Donor's choice.

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Below is the contact information of LHS alumni serving our Association in key roles. Feel free to contact them directly if the need arises.

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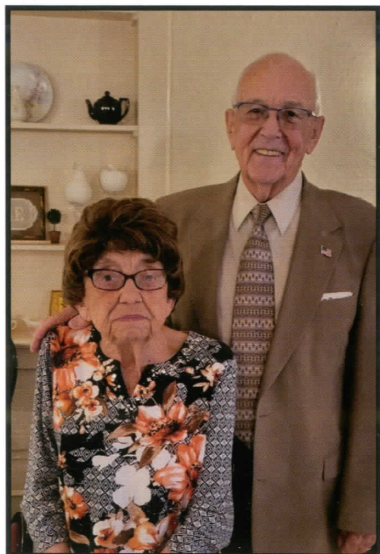
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## Where Are They Now???



Many of us knew them in school as Mr. and Mrs. Giltner. They haven't left the house on South Sixth Street in Louisiana which they bought in 1967 but they have indeed left a legacy of excellent service to the Louisiana R-II School District.

In January, they were having a dinner with their children at a local restaurant when Missouri State Representative Chad Perkins, Associate Circuit Court Judge Milan Berry and Louisiana Mayor Kathy Smith approached the table. A framed Resolution from the Missouri House of Representatives was presented Donald E. Giltner by Perkins for a lifetime of distinguished service and playing an integral role in the educational development of countless (Louisiana) Missouri students as an educator and administrator. Mr. Giltner said he was quite honored, and it was about the only time in his life he remembered being totally surprised.

Visiting with Don and Priscilla brought forth some interesting tidbits and, of course, way too many stories to include here. When asked how and when they met, Don said he roomed with Priscilla's aunt while attending Murray State University in Kentucky. One day in September 1957 her aunt invited Priscilla, also a MSU student, over to join them for dinner. Don said after that evening, he noticed Priscilla began visiting her aunt quite regularly. He asked her to go to the MSU student "hangout" with him. After Priscilla asked Don to marry her (yes, you read that correctly), they married in June 1958.

Don came to LHS in 1959 to teach World History, Economics, etc. He coached the first ever Louisiana 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball teams. In 1962 he started as the first ever Louisiana junior high principal (had been grades 7-12 before) in Louisiana. In 1965 he was made principal of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Middle School (grades 5-8) in the entire state. In 1968 he became the LHS principal as many HS students he had in MS thought 'he's following us!' Don is thus far the longest-tenured principal in LHS history serving until 1982 when he became the district's Asst. Superintendent until 1987 when he retired from the school district. He worked at Fowler Lumber for 13 years before taking the position of Superintendent of BONCL school for a year. Don served on the city council for two years before being elected Mayor of Louisiana in 2006 until 2010.

Priscilla joined Don in Louisiana in 1959 with their first child. In 1961 she taught in the local, private kindergarten and later purchased it. She started teaching English, Speech and the first Drama class at LHS. From 1963-1987 Priscilla sponsored many LHS classes. She added sponsoring the National Honor Society, Future Teachers of America, and the Phantom Bogus Club from 1981-1987. (Raise your hand if you were in the PBC.) Priscilla retired from the district in 1987 and traveled with Don in the U.S. and abroad until 2005. They've been in every state except Idaho and Alaska (Don was there in the service). Priscilla served on the city council from 1983-85.

Don made a point that he was Priscilla's boss at school for 13 years. He admits other than that she's "The Boss." With extreme pride, Don shared that on March 22<sup>nd</sup> of this year, he celebrated 50 years of sobriety.

Asked when Priscilla's book was going to be published, Don chimed in "don't get me started! I've encouraged her..." Priscilla shared if it ever happens the name of the book would be "Don't Smile 'til Thanksgiving". That was sage advice given her son, Bubba, by his principal on his first day of teaching in Monroe City. Priscilla said that concise bit of advice summed up well what she'd been taught in many different education classes.

Today the Giltners are as sharp and witty as ever. Don has coffee with a bunch of guys at Joe's Jug most mornings, then Priscilla and he go out together for lunch. Every Wednesday night they get together with 3 or 4 couples for dinner at KC's Restaurant. Don still plays golf too. As most everyone their age, they have numerous medical appointments from St. Louis to Quincy. Priscilla is losing her vision due to macular degeneration and needs knee replacement surgery. Don has developed diabetes the last few years. "The Boss" leaned over and volunteered "Don doesn't take his oral diabetes meds regularly like he should."

When told alumni not living nearby probably wonder about her health due to her absence from Facebook, Priscilla made it clear she intends to get back on before long. She indicated they'd purchased a screen cover for her monitor to assist her in reading the words better. We all look forward to that day as we reflect on the many fond memories of our years in school with Mr. and Mrs. Giltner.

They would love to hear from former students and colleagues at 314 S. Sixth St., Louisiana, MO 63353 or 573-754-4348 (landline only).

## LHS / Louisiana News Briefs

The LHS girls' basketball team made great strides winning 7 games (up from 0 the last two years) including taking Consolation in the Clopton Tournament...What was formerly Reed Bro's Texaco gas station and Beldane's Restaurant near the Champ Clark Bridge is now an expanded Ayerco Fuel Center...Two LHS seniors signed national letters of intent to play football (on scholarship) at Quincy University and another signed to run track at Culver-Stockton...A Family Dollar / Dollar Tree store opened recently in Louisiana where the Champ Clark Tourist cabins were located in the 2900 block of Georgia St...The LHS baseball team were district champions this year for only the second time in school history...An LHS trap shooter won a state championship shooting 100 out of 100...Louisiana R-II is facing a \$500,000 budget deficit entering the 2022/23 year which will necessitate staffing changes...The family of Carl and Mary Littrell is working with the Louisiana Rotary Club to create a permanent viewing station with a large viewing binoculars near the flagpole at Henderson (Riverview) Park as a memorial for Carl and Mary. Dedication is planned for Colorfest weekend....

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# Louisiana Bulldog Athletic Hall of Fame

After taking a year off due to the pandemic, an outstanding Class of 2021 was inducted into the LHS Athletic Hall of Fame. They were inducted between basketball games on February 5<sup>th</sup>.



Jason Calvin flanked by Head Coach Tony Gschwender and Assistant Coach Calvin Jesberg (Photo courtesy of Walter Logan)

**Jason Calvin** - Jason is a 1991 graduate of LHS. He was a 2-sport athlete participating in football and track and an 8-time letterman who lettered all 4 years in both sports. His football honors include being a 3-time All-Conference, All-District and All-Area player and was a 2-time All-State and All-American player.

Jason's track honors include being a 4-time All-Conference and All-District and a 2-time All-State State

Champion in the Shot Put his junior and senior years. He still holds the Shot Put record at LHS. Jason received a full scholarship to play football at Miz-zou.

**Curtis Davis** - (unable to attend) Curtis is a 1974 graduate of Louisiana High School. He was a 3-sport athlete at LHS participating in football, basketball, and track. Curtis was a 9-time letterman whose honors include 5 All-Conference selections, 3 All-District selections and one unanimous All-State selection. He still currently holds the 200 Meter Dash record. Curtis was the 1974 state champion in the 100 Yard Dash, 220 Yard Dash and 440 Yard Dash. Curtis received a scholarship to Missouri Southern but decided to go to Missouri Valley. He ultimately played football and ran track at Texas A&M and made it to the final cut for the USFL LA Express football team. Curtis and his wife Yolanda live in Texas.



Na'Kea Shepherd  
(Photo courtesy of  
Walter Logan)

**Na'Kea Shepherd** - Na'Kea is a 2012 graduate of Louisiana High School. She was a 3-sport athlete at LHS participating in softball, basketball, and track. Na'Kea was an All-Conference softball player in 2009 and All-Conference and All-District in 2010. She was also an All-Conference selection in basketball in 2012. Na'Kea was a 4-time All-Conference, All-District and All-State track competitor. Na'Kea still holds the school record in the 100 Meter Dash, 200 Meter Dash, 400 Meter Dash and is part of the relay teams that hold the records for the 4 x 200 Meter Relay and the 4 x 400 Meter Relay. Na'Kea was a 3-sport scholar athlete all 4 years of high school. Na'Kea attended Truman State University and continued her track career there. She would then attend Logan University to pursue her doctorate in chiropractic.



Roger Walker (Photo  
courtesy of Walter Logan)

**Roger Walker** - Roger is a 1987 graduate of Louisiana High School. He was a 3-sport athlete at LHS participating in football, basketball, and track. Roger was a 3-time letterman in football and track and a 2-time letterman in basketball. He was a 2-time All-Conference, All-District, All-Area, and All-State football player at numerous positions. Roger was also a 2-time All-Conference, All-District and All-State track runner. Roger still holds the LHS single season rushing record of 1,768 yards and the career rushing record of 3,488 yards. Roger was a key member of the track team running the 400 Meter Dash, the 4 x 100 Meter Relay, the 4 x 200 Meter Relay, and the 4 x 400 Meter Relay. He was a member of the 1986 State Championship Football Team and a member of the 1986 State Championship Track Team.

**1986 LHS Football Team** - Coming off a successful '85 season, which saw the Bulldogs go 10-2 (7-0 in CCC) to win the Clarence Cannon Conference and make the quarter final round of the 2A state playoffs, it was unsure if the '86 team would be reloading or rebuilding. The '86 team returned 17 letterman and 12 starters (8 Offense and 4 Defense). That question was answered profoundly with the Bulldogs going 9-1 in the regular season and 7-0 again in CCC play to win the conference back-to-back years. The Bulldogs out-scored their conference foes 251-33 in their 7 games. The next closest team scored 144 fewer points than the high-octane Bulldog offense. At the same time, the Bulldog defense only gave up more than 8 points one time the whole regular season with 3 shut outs. The Bulldogs finished the regular season ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in the MO Class 2A rankings.

Into the playoffs, the Bulldogs continued their dominance on the field

**District playoff** - Defeated Westran 35-6 at home in freezing conditions.

**Quarterfinal playoff** - Defeated #5 Ranked Scotland County 21-7 on the road.

**Semifinal Playoff** - Defeated Defending Champion and #1 ranked John Burroughs 16-12 at home.

Now on to the **State Final** on the artificial turf of Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City to face the 13-0 and #2 ranked Seneca Indians.

On the first play from scrimmage, Seneca's 1<sup>st</sup> Team All State running back took a toss from the QB and raced 68 yards for a TD. After that, both the Bulldog's offense and defense took over the game.

The Bulldog offense marched right down the field and scored a TD on their first position. The drive was completed on a tipped pass from Brad Wahlgren to Russell Reed and into the waiting hands of John Cox, who then raced into the end zone for a 44-yard TD.

The Bulldogs came out and scored on their first possession of the 2<sup>nd</sup> half giving the Bulldogs a 17-8 lead early in the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Later in the 3<sup>rd</sup> the defense stepped up again. Chuck Gibbs intercepted a pass and returned it 44 yards for a TD. The final was 23-14 making the 1986 Louisiana Bulldogs the MO 2A State Football Champions for the first and only time in school history.

LHS Athletic Director Ryan Griffin indicated the school is always looking for nominations for the Hall of Fame. "We know there are tons of people that deserve to be honored but we need people to nominate them," Griffin said. The criteria for eligibility and the nomination form can be found on the high school's website under Athletics ([http://lhs.louisiana.k12.mo.us/athletics/bulldog\\_hall\\_of\\_fame](http://lhs.louisiana.k12.mo.us/athletics/bulldog_hall_of_fame)), by contacting Griffin by phone at 573-721-7964 or by email at [griffinr@louisiana.k12.mo.us](mailto:griffinr@louisiana.k12.mo.us).



The 1986 football team members are standing left to right, Lance Calvin, J. P. Burseson, Jeff Alexander, Thad Radford, Mike Haddock, James York, Brad Wahlgren, Roger Walker, Jeff Sencenbaugh. Kneeling left to right, Jon Miller, Shane Lafferty, Ray Franklin & Jay Garrison (Photo courtesy of Walter Logan)







## The LHS Year in Review from Nick Heggemann

Greetings!!

Thank you for the opportunity to update our LHS alumni on all the great things that are taking place at Louisiana High School. The 2021-2022 school year saw many wonderful accomplishments in the areas of academics, extracurricular activities, and service to our community.

We continue to offer students a wide variety of course selections, including offerings in dual credit coursework. The 2022 graduates had the potential to leave LHS with 24 hours of college credit. We continue to participate in the Missouri A+ Program, and this year 18 seniors were eligible to take advantage of the free and/or discounted tuition offered to A+ graduates by Missouri community colleges and universities.

On the extra-curricular front, it was another great year at Louisiana High School. LHS is fortunate to have motivated student participants and a great group of dedicated coaches and sponsors. We won Districts in baseball and took second in boys basketball and boys track. Many individuals had great years receiving multiple honors, too numerous to list. Mason Washington scored his 1,000<sup>th</sup> point in basketball while Coach Smith earned his 100<sup>th</sup> career win in basketball. Summarizing individual recognitions, there were:

- 23 All-Conference Athletes
- 51 All-District Athletes
- 7 All-Area or All-Region Athletes
- 3 All-State Athletes
- 8 Academic All-State Athletes
- 4 Bronze Medalists at State Band Festival
- Students performed Alice in Wonderland

Whenever possible, we give the students at LHS opportunities to give back to the community that makes everything possible. This year our National Honor Society and Interact students provided services to the Pike County Memorial Hospital, the Twin Pike Family Y, the Louisiana Chamber of Commerce, as well as several other local organizations. Our A+ students are enrolled in a Student Outreach and Community Service class allowing them to serve as classroom aides and peer tutors in the Louisiana Middle and Elementary Schools. The opportunity is rewarding for students on both sides of the equation. Our Interact Chapter (a high school arm of the Rotary Club) packed Lane's backpack lunches for eligible elementary students for the weekends along with helping unload many items for the food pantry.

Our doors are always open to Alumni and Friends. If you are in town, please stop by and see us. Nick Heggemann

Principal - Louisiana High School

## An update on the Re(STORE)ing and Revitalizing Louisiana Project

You may recall last year how two LHS '88 alumni, Carmen (Dunard) York and Viki (Jakulski) Cadwallader began spearheading efforts to restore and revitalize Louisiana. They have created a website to promote the possibilities available in Louisiana at [www.rslamo.com](http://www.rslamo.com). Check it out. It's continuously being updated. Also, follow Re-STORE-ing La MO on Facebook to keep up to date on the latest.

One of the small successes achieved over the last year was having different organizations step up to create displays inside vacant buildings downtown for the holiday season. Eleven windows in vacant buildings were decorated / had displays inside to help dress and light up the historic, downtown business district. The Alumni & Friends Association created a lighted display inside the building at the northern corner of Georgia and Fifth Street (see photo).

In late January Carmen and Viki convened a "brainstorming" meeting for community members. Following up on that, a meeting was held in June to develop groups to focus on the following topics. They are: 1.) train station on S. Third/Hwy 79, 2.) flooding on South Third, 3.) the old hospital, 4.) Stark Garden Center building, 5.) old high school on Jackson, 6.) vacant riverfront lot, 7.) trails, paths, and water sports, 8.) enticing retailers, and 9.) splash water park.

If you have particular interest in one (or more) of the topics above, Carmen and Viki would still love to hear from you. Even those alumni living away from Louisiana can assist by doing research, making calls, emailing, writing letters and more. As the saying goes, many hands make light work. Their emails are [carmenyork515@yahoo.com](mailto:carmenyork515@yahoo.com) and [vikicadwallader@gmail.com](mailto:vikicadwallader@gmail.com).

In late April a new event, the Louisiana Bluegrass and Pickers Festival, was held downtown on Georgia St. like Colorfest. Jodie Ries took the ball and ran in creating this fun-filled day for all ages. She attracted an excellent array of vendors, received great community support, and did an amazing job promoting it. Though not part of the Re(STORE)ing Louisiana Project, this is exactly what Carmen and Viki would like to fill a calendar with to help draw people to Louisiana. Word is this festival will return in 2023 with a possible date change.



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2021 Alumni Christmas Decorated Window  
(Photo courtesy of Linda Shade)



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All donations to the Alumni Association are greatly appreciated and allow the giving of even more help to the Louisiana R-II School District and its students.

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## Special Class Reunion Plans

**Class of 1957** – Members of this class will attend the Alumni Association's all-school reunion events at the American Legion on Saturday, Oct. 15. Junior Clark is the contact person at 619 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St., Louisiana, MO 63353.

**Class of 1972** – The 50-year reunion class is still working on plans but will gather at the American Legion for the social / mixer, dinner, and dance on the 15<sup>th</sup>. They are renting the facility adjacent to the Legion Hall for their use after dinner. Contact Elaine Capps Anderson at [elaineanderson@usa.net](mailto:elaineanderson@usa.net) or Elaine Anderson on Facebook.

**Class of 1977** – This class will gather at Fat Boys on Friday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. then attend the Alumni Association's all-school reunion social, dinner and dance at the American Legion on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Becky Penrod may be contacted for further information at [rapenrod@hotmail.com](mailto:rapenrod@hotmail.com) or 573-754-2360.

**Class of 1982** – This class will celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> reunion at the all-school reunion events Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Those arriving Friday will gather that evening at the Elks Lodge in Louisiana. They intend to watch the Colorfest parade together. A Sunday gathering is planned as well. Contact John Browning at [jbrowning123@charter.net](mailto:jbrowning123@charter.net) or 314-378-0508 or Sally Behringer at 785-218-9759 for more details.

**Class of 1987** – The 35<sup>th</sup> reunion class is working on plans for a Friday evening gathering to remember classmate Chris Brown. They will then attend Alumni Association reunion events on Saturday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at the American Legion. Contact Ed Stephens at [hawged@gmail.com](mailto:hawged@gmail.com) for the latest update.

**Class of 1992** – Henry St Pierre, [henry.stpierre441@gmail.com](mailto:henry.stpierre441@gmail.com) and 636-383-1050, reports this class is planning a reunion separate from the Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> events at the American Legion but details have not been finalized. Any class member who can attend the Alumni Association events on 10/15 is encouraged to do so.

**Class of 1997** – They will join in with others at the all-school reunion events at the American Legion on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Tina Sippely Chidster may be contacted at [tinachidster@gmail.com](mailto:tinachidster@gmail.com) or 573-754-0535 for more information.

**Class of 2002** – This class will celebrate their 15<sup>th</sup> reunion at the Alumni Association's all-school reunion events on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Jennifer Baker House [pebbles\\_bam@hotmail.com](mailto:pebbles_bam@hotmail.com) is the contact person for more information.

**Class of 2017** – This class will meet at the Twin City Bowl/Spanish Room on Saturday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. where they'll bowl, eat, and imbibe. They may all head over to the dance at the American Legion later. Molly Ross is coordinating this and can be contacted at [rossmolly3@gmail.com](mailto:rossmolly3@gmail.com) or 573-754-0862.

To the best of our knowledge as of early-July, the other special reunion classes (those with graduation years ending in 2 or 7) listed below have no plans for a reunion. It is hoped many from those classes will return to town and attend the Alumni Association's all-school reunion events on Saturday, October 15 (see page 1 for details).

Classes of 1962, 1967, 2007 and 2012