

## Full Circle

### Relic hunters find rightful owners of 1914 graduation ring

By JUDY STANFORD

**T**here wasn't much to go on, but Brad Phillips was determined to find the owner of the ring he had unearthed near Carencro Bayou in Sunset, La. • Phillips, an antique dealer who owns a shop in O'Connor's Antique Mall in Washington, La., and his father-in-law, Walter Harper, had been out hunting with a metal detector that day in late January, as they often did.

"We were looking for Civil War relics," Phillips said. "That exact spot was kind of a hot spot; we had found other relics there." But, instead of artifacts from the war, the pair found a graduation ring from Southwestern Louisiana Industrial Institute, the original name for the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

The year inscribed on the face of it was 1914. Anxious to learn the identity of the ring's owner, Harper got in touch with Dan Hare, associate director of UL Lafayette's Alumni Association. "He said from the appearance of it, it was a lady's ring," Hare said. "He wanted to know if we could determine who the owner had been."

Hare found a 1914 edition of *L'Acadien*, the school's yearbook, and determined there had been 18 female SLII graduates that year. Only one, Louise Horaist, had been from Sunset. Phillips began calling the Horaists

living in the area. The pieces of the puzzle began to come together when he spoke with Chad Horaist, who leases the property where the ring was found from its present-day owner, Sunset physician Dr. Charles Dugal.

"He had come by to check on his cows," Phillips said. "I asked if he was



Louise Horaist in 1914

related to Louise Horaist. He said she was his grandma."

It made sense, now. The property had once belonged to the Sibille family, relatives of Dugal. Horaist, a school teacher, had gone on to marry Walter Joseph Sibille in 1920. Through Chad Horaist, Phillips was able to contact Margaret Sibille Dodge Barry, the only surviving child of Louise Horaist. He offered her the ring.

"I usually try to return stuff if I can find out who it's for," Phillips said. The circle is now complete. The ring is back in the hands of the family of its original owner. But the story isn't quite over. The ring may be on display in the Alumni Center later this year as part of UL Lafayette's centennial celebration.

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Louise Horaist, the owner of this 1914 ring, became an elementary school teacher.

## 1930s

**THOMAS R. LANDRY, '31**, celebrated two milestones in 1999, his 90th birthday and 65th wedding anniversary. In 1970, he retired from LSU in Baton Rouge, where he served as an education professor. He became head of the Education Department at Mississippi University for Women until retiring in 1974. Landry earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Southwestern Louisiana Institute and a master's degree in history and doctorate in education from LSU. He and his wife, Bernadine (Haydell) Landry, live in Baton Rouge and have two daughters, Beverly (Landry) Crochet and Diane (Landry) Zimmer.

## 1940s

**ED ADAMS, '41**, played football for SLI while he worked on a bachelor's degree of science. After graduating, he joined the U.S. Army and became a member of the Airborne Infantry that made assault landings on Leyte and Okinawa during World War II. He was also a member of the short-lived glider troops, an Airborne division used from 1943-44. Adams retired from the Army as a major in 1957 and a year later began teaching math at Curtis Junior High in Tacoma, Wash. Adams retired from teaching in 1974. He and his wife, Marian R. Adams, have been married 54 years and live in Lakebay, Wash.

**MARGARET REED FONTENOT, '45**, is a retired teacher. She earned a bachelor's degree in education from Southwestern Louisiana Institute. After teaching for 30 years in Evangeline Parish, she retired in 1977. She was named "Woman of the Year" in 1983 by Ville Platte's Lions' Club in recognition of service to her church and community. She and her husband, Joseph W. Fontenot, have three children, Patricia Fontenot Flynn, Robert Fontenot and Joseph Fontenot. Two grandchildren are USL graduates, **JAMES F. FLYNN II, '94**, who holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, and **KATHRYN E. FLYNN LANDRY, '96**, who has a bachelor's degree in dietetics.

**YVES ROSEMARY LEBLANC ROME, '47**, graduated from Southwestern Louisiana Institute with a degree in elementary education. She jokes that she is self-employed as a "domestic goddess," whose accomplishments include her marriage to Maurice Gerard Rome for 51 years and raising nine children. The couple live in Houma. They have five daughters and four sons: Elizabeth R. Larke, Isabelle R. Tabor, Aimee M. Rome, Rebecca R. Whitney, Angela R. Walsh, Stephen M. Rome, Maurice Rome Jr., Philip H. Rome and Edward P. Rome.

## 1950s



**ROBERT A. HESSE, '52**, recently received the State Award of Recognition from the Pierre Fauchard Academy, an international honorary dental organization. He is past president of the PFA and has a dental practice in Lafayette. Hesse earned a bachelor's

degree in biology/chemistry from SLI and a dentistry degree from Loyola University in New Orleans.

**DR. WILLIE Z. BIENVENU, '52**, is a retired family physician. He practiced medicine for 42 years after earning a bachelor's degree from SLI in biology-chemistry and a degree from LSU Medical School in 1955. Bienvenu was a charter fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians, deputy coroner for Lafayette Parish from 1959 to 1969 and deputy coroner for St. Martin Parish from 1969-1983. He served in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps from 1952 to 1972. Bienvenu has been married to Marianne Villermin Bienvenu for 44 years. The couple have six children: Marie B. Chauffe; **ANNE B. DAIGLE, '80**; Will Z. Bienvenu; the Rev. Paul G. Bienvenu; Michelle B. Seymour; and Therese Bienvenu. They have five grandchildren.

**I.B. HOOVER, '53**, was recently appointed chairman of the New Mexico Legislative Educating Initiatives and Accountability Task Force. He is a member of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City's 10th District Economic Advisory Council. He is also chairman of Business Environments in Albuquerque, which designs and furnishes business offices. Hoover, who holds a bachelor's degree in business, was captain of the SLI baseball team in 1953. He and his wife, Marion (Hay) Hoover, live in Albuquerque. They have three children, Bruce, Sharon and Scott, and five grandchildren.

**A.J. SCARDINO JR., '58**, a safety engineer, was recently inducted into the National Safety Council's Safety and Health Hall of Fame International. The group honors creators of safety innovations. One of Scardino's inventions is a vest designed to automatically right a semi-conscious or unconscious person who falls into water. He received a bachelor of science degree from SLI. He holds a master of science degree in safety engineering and a doctorate in safety and ergonomics from Kensington University. Scardino and his wife, Loislyn Blanchard Scardino, have 10 children.

## 1960s

**JAY F. HONEYCUTT, '60**, was named Outstanding Alumni in 1999 by the UL Lafayette Alumni Association. He retired from NASA in 1997

and became president of Lockheed Martin Space Operations of Houston the same year. At NASA, Honeycutt coordinated a presidential commission and congressional activities related to the space shuttle Challenger accident in 1986. In 1995, he became the sixth director of NASA's John F. Kennedy Space Center. Honeycutt earned a bachelor's degree from USL in electrical engineering. He and his wife, Peggy, live in Houston and have four children, Barry Honeycutt, Jeff Honeycutt, Delise DelFavero and Daniel DelFavero.

**WILLIAM ARCENEAUX, '62**, is the author of *No Spark of Malice: The Murder of Martin Begnaud*, which was recently published by Louisiana State University Press. Arceneaux received a bachelor's degree in history from USL. He is president of the Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. He is also the author of *Acadian General: Alfred Mouton and the Civil War*.

**HELEN JANE WEEKLY TENNYSON, '62**, is a family and consumer sciences teacher at Zachary High School in Zachary, La. For the past three years, she has been secretary for Gamma Gamma, a professional organization. She has served as president and secretary of Louisiana Family and Consumer Sciences. She earned a bachelor of science degree from USL in home economics. Tennyson lives in Baton Rouge.

**ESPY P. PRICE, '63, '69**, was named Outstanding Alumni from the UL Lafayette Alumni Association in 1999. For the past 25 years, he has worked for Chevron. As vice president of its midcontinent business unit, he is responsible for onshore exploration and production in the United States. He is also president of Chevron Shale Oil Company. Price holds bachelor's and master's degrees in petroleum engineering from USL. His wife **LEISSA ANN PRICE, '64, '70**, earned bachelor's and master's degrees in home economics. The couple live in Houston.

**DOROTHY BROWN, '65, '75**, is professor emerita of English at Loyola University in New Orleans. She retired in 1996 after 30 years of teaching at the college level. Her book, *Christian Humanism in the Late English Morality Plays*, was published in 1999. Brown was associate editor of *Explorations in Renaissance Culture* from 1984 to 1994 and co-edited *Louisiana Women Writers: New Essays and a Comprehensive Bibliography*. At USL, she earned a master's degree in English and a doctoral degree in humanities. She lives in New Orleans with her husband, Max I. Brown. The couple have two sons, Max H. Brown and **BRUCE BROWN, '75**. Their daughter-in-law, **BARBARA MAYFIELD BROWN**, is also a '75 graduate.

**BURTON E. CESTIA JR., '66**, a partner in the New Iberia law firm of Burke, Cestia, Landry

# Alumni

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and Lee, was recently appointed chairman of the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board by the Louisiana Supreme Court. He began his duties on Jan. 1 and will serve for one year. He has been a member of the board, which investigates and prosecutes complaints of ethical misconduct by attorneys, since 1996. He earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from USL and a *juris doctorate* from LSU Law School.

**BEVERLY M. MATHERNE, '69, '71**, released a blues poetry CD, also available in book format, at Oak Alley Plantation during Congr s Mondial Acadien in 1999. The collection, her fourth in Cajun French and English, was produced by Cross-Cultural Communications in New York. Since 1993, Matherne has won six national poetry competitions. She earned bachelor's and master's degrees in English from USL and a doctorate in drama from St. Louis University. She is a professor at Northern Michigan University, where she teaches poetry, playwriting and technical writing.

## 1970s

**GIL CREDEUR, '71**, is program director for Louisiana Community Care, where he develops and manages programs for agencies that serve clients who are being treated for mental retardation, mental illness or substance abuse. Credeur is a board-certified substance abuse counselor. He holds a bachelor's degree in management from USL. Credeur and his wife, Betty, live in Pineville, La.

**MARILYN FOURNET ADAMS, '72**, is the author of *Porch People*, a book of poetry and prose that celebrates the Cajun oral traditions that transpired on front porches before televisions and air-conditioning drew families inside their houses. Adams earned a bachelor's degree in English from USL. She lives in Lafayette.

**DRUE SEEFELD, '73**, has been named vice president of business development by the NAFTA agribusiness community. He will lead a team that will coordinate all business development activities for NAFTA agribusiness, set priorities and establish strategic plans. Seefeld earned a bachelor's degree in agronomy from USL.

**JOHN E. SMITH, '73**, is manager of Thomson & Smith Insurance Agency in Lafayette, a branch of Hebert & Thomson Insurance Agency, Inc. Smith is a certified insurance counselor. He graduated from USL with a bachelor's degree in business administration. For the past eight years, he has served on the board of directors for Goodwill Industries.

**WILLIAM JUDE GREIG, '77, '83, '98**, is assistant principal of St. Martinville Senior High School. He was chosen as SMSH Teacher of the Year in 1992, 1995 and 1997. Greig earned a bachelor's degree in math and sci-

ence education, along with a master's degree and a master's plus 30 in administration and supervision, from USL. Greig and his wife, Yvette Theriot Greig, have three children, **PATRICE GREIG**, a junior majoring in elementary education at UL Lafayette, Candice and Garrett.

**WILLIAM J. MANNING, '77**, is a U.S. Army chaplain stationed at Wheeler Army Airfield, Hawaii, where he provides religious support and counseling for an aviation battalion and its support units. He also serves as co-pastor of the base's chapel. Manning earned a bachelor's degree in city and regional planning from USL and a master of divinity degree from Reformed Theological Seminary in 1980. He also owns a marketing company, The Manning Group. Manning and his wife, Petra (Frassetto) Manning, live in Wahiawa, Hawaii, and have five children, Jonathan, Michelle, Tracy, Aaron and Samuel.



**CURTIS BROCK, '79**, is vice president of internal audit and shared services for Allied Techsystems in Hopkins, Minn., a \$1.1 billion aerospace and defense company. Brock graduated from USL with a bachelor's degree in accounting and earned a master's degree in business administration from the University of Minnesota in 1993.

## 1980s

**DEBORAH DUNN, '80**, a mathematics teacher at Peachtree Middle School in the DeKalb, Ga. school system, has been named the Systemwide Teacher of the Year for the year 2000. She has taught in DeKalb schools since 1994. Dunn, who has a bachelor's degree in statistics from USL, is chairman of the Mathematics Department at Peachtree Middle School. She earned teacher certification in secondary mathematics education from McNeese University and a master's degree in education from Brenau University in Gainesville, Ga. She is married to Freddie Dunn Jr. and has two children, Freddie and Desirae.

**JAMES A. LAURENT JR., '82**, is general manager of Charter Communications, a New Roads company that provides cable TV services to about 6,000 customers in Pointe Coupee and Livingston parishes. Laurent is a member of the Jaycees, Chamber of Commerce and the Louisiana Cable Telecommunications Association. He holds a bachelor's degree in industrial technology from USL. His wife, **DONNA (BYRD) LAURENT, '87**, has a nursing degree from USL. They live in Ventress, La., and have four children, Ryan, Annie, Matt and Erin.

**REBECCA A. GONZALES LAWLER, '85**, is a strategic marketing product manager for Beckman-Coulter in Palo Alto, Calif. She holds a bachelor's degree in biology and chemistry from USL. She received a master's of business administration from the University of St. Thomas Cameron School of Business in 1994. She and her husband, Thomas Sullivan Lawler, live in Palo Alto.

**CHRISTOPHER R.H. BRIM, '86**, is an architectural division manager for DLZ Ohio, where he is responsible for the marketing, design and production aspects of the architectural division. He is a recipient of the Ohio Association of Minority Architects and Engineers' Design Award. Brim holds a bachelor's degree in architecture from USL. He and his wife, Lynnette Dawson Brim, live in Blacklick, Ohio, with their two children, Lynnsey and Meredith.

**MELANIE ROBICHAUX MCCARTHY, '88**, is a flight attendant with American Airlines. She is also a choreographer and actor with the American Theatre of Actors in New York City. McCarthy earned a bachelor's of fine arts degree in choreographic design from USL. She and her husband Patrick McCarthy live in New York City.

**JAMES PAUL MARTIN II, '89**, is vice president of engineering for Computer Network Technology in Maple Grove, Minn. He is responsible for the development of hardware and software products to meet the growing need of disk mirroring applications over wide-area networks. These applications help prevent site disruptions and provide recovery from system failures. Martin earned a bachelor's degree in computer science from USL. He and his wife, Teri Lynn Martin, live in Eden Prairie, Minn., with their two children, J. P. and Taylor.

**PAIGE C. HENSLEY MILLER, '89**, is the band director for Newton Middle and High School in Newton, Texas. Miller taught music at Leesville Junior High School previously. In 1997, she was a member of the Lake Charles Wind Symphony. Miller, who received a bachelor's degree in music education from USL, is married to Tony H. Miller. They live in Leesville, La.

**JULIA A. SPIKER, '89**, is an assistant professor at the University of Akron, where she teaches in the School of Communication. Spiker earned a bachelor's degree in communications from John Carroll University in 1986 and a master's degree in communications from USL. In 1998, she earned a doctorate in communications from the University of Oklahoma. She lives in Mentor, Ohio.

**TUNA SEITHER, '89**, is a commercial artist and graphic designer who has combined his interests of art and sports. He has been commis-

sioned by several professional athletes to produce paintings, including former Miami Dolphins quarterback Dan Marino and Chicago Bears linebacker Mike Singletary. He has also produced a series of paintings for the NFL Players Association's offices in Washington, D.C. He is the official artist for the Nokia Sugar Bowl and the International Grand Isle Tarpon Rodeo. Seither, who earned a bachelor of fine arts degree from USL, lives in his native New Orleans.

## 1990s

**U.S. NAVY LT. JAMES CHAVIS, '90**, recently completed a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf aboard the USS Saipan, an amphibious assault ship. Upon returning to the United States, he participated in developmental tests of the MV-22B Osprey aircraft, the Navy-Marine Corps' next generation of amphibious assault aircraft. Chavis holds a bachelor's of science degree from USL.

**WINFORD PATRICK BORDES II, '92**, is owner of Fezzo's Seafood & Steakhouse in Crowley. He is a past member of the boards of directors of Rayne and West St. Mary Parish Chambers of Commerce. He is past co-chairman of the Rayne Frog Festival. Bordes holds a bachelor's degree in general studies from USL. He and his wife, Jessica (Bourgeois) Bordes II, have a 1-year-old daughter, Shelby Lynn.

**P. LANE KINCAID, '94**, was named the 1999 Louisiana Wildlife Officer of the Year for his outstanding performance as a senior agent in the Wildlife and Fisheries Enforcement Division. The award was presented on behalf of Shikar Safari International, a wildlife preservation group composed of sportsmen and hunters. He graduated from USL with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and began working with the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries in 1994. Kincaid was a member of the USL golf team from 1990 to 1994. He is married to Cindy Gulleddge Kincaid. They live in West Monroe, La.

**JACQUES E. DEMOSS, '94**, is an associate attorney at the law firm of Durio, McGoffin & Stagg in Lafayette. He specializes in medical malpractice defense, workers' compensation and general civil litigation. DeMoss earned a *juris doctorate* in 1997 from Oklahoma City



University School of Law. DeMoss is a member of the Lafayette Parish Bar Association and chairman of the Lafayette Young Lawyers Association Mentor Committee. He holds a bachelor's degree in general studies, with a concentration in economics, from USL.

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**CHRISTINE M. PRICE, '96**, is managing supervisor of Chancellor Marketing Group, in Washington, D.C., where she develops and manages regional and national marketing and sales promotion programs for Fortune 1000 companies. She also oversees leveraging of corporate sponsorships and implementation of sales promotions for Chancellor Marketing Group. Price has a master's degree in communications from USL. She lives in Bethesda, Md.

**ASHLEY DIANNE CASKEY, '96**, is an associate teacher-counselor at Brookhaven Residential Treatment Facility in Seymour, Tenn., where she supervises female juveniles placed in group homes. She earned a bachelor's degree in child and family studies from USL and is seeking a master's degree in elementary and English education from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. She lives in Maryville, Tenn.

**KELLEY ANNE JOLIVETTE THOMAS, '96**, is social service director for Amelia Manor Nursing Home in Lafayette, where she also coordinates admissions. She is a certified Medicaid application official and a certified Alzheimer's support group facilitator. Thomas graduated from USL with a bache-

lor's degree in sociology. She and her husband, Michael J. Thomas, live in Lafayette.

**LISA MICHELLE DAVID, '98**, is director of Belmont University's donor relations and stewardship. She oversees endowed scholarships, coordinates stewardship events and is responsible for relations between the university and its major donors. In 1999, David earned a master's of higher education administration from Peabody College at Vanderbilt University. She holds a bachelor's degree in management from USL and is a former president of the USL Association of Future Alumni. She lives in Nashville.

## IN MEMORIAM



**COL. ENGLE CLINE MAY, '34**, died Jan. 5, 2000, in Gulf Breeze, Fla., six days before his 90th birthday. May, a member of the UL Lafayette's S Club, lettered in football, basketball and track while earning a bache-

lor's degree in education from SLI. He was elected best all-round athlete twice. May was

president of his senior class and a member of Blue Key and Tau Sigma Delta. After coaching at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, he served in WWII as an officer in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific and European Theaters from 1944 to 1946. After the war, he began coaching at Riverside Military Academy in Hollywood, Fla. From 1953 until his retirement in 1986, he served as commandant of the school. In 1988, May and his wife, Lydia Falcon May of Thibodaux, moved to Gulf Breeze. Lydia May died March 15, 1996. May is survived by a daughter, Christine May of Decatur, Ga.; a son, Engle Cline May Jr. of Gulf Breeze; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

**WILLIAM ECKART**, a prominent Broadway designer, died Jan. 17, 2000, in Dallas. Eckart, 79, New Iberia native, attended SLI in 1937 and 1938. He and his wife Jean designed stage sets, costumes and lighting for Broadway shows. They received Tony Award nominations for their work on "Mame" and "Fiorello" and in 1954 won the Donaldson Award for "The Golden Apple." They were producers for "Once Upon a Mattress," "Damn Yankees" and "Li'l Abner" and collaborated nine times with legendary producer/director George Abbot. Jean Eckart died in 1993.

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Funeral services were held Friday, Jan. 21, 2000, for **BERTRAND PIBOIN, '38**, of Bryan, Texas. Piboin, who graduated as valedictorian for the summer 1938 session with a degree in agriculture, worked for 37 years for the Soil Conservation Service. He was in charge of the Bedias Soil Conservation District from 1947 to 1975. Piboin was instrumental in the design, development and construction of Lake Madison. He is survived by his wife, Norma Adkins Piboin of Bryan; two sons, Lamar B. Piboin of Austin and Louis J. Beasley of Garland, Texas; two sisters, Doris Duncan and Bettye Chehotsky, both of Lake Charles; a granddaughter; and numerous nieces and nephews.

**RAY WOODROW MILES, '46**, died Nov. 22, 1999, at Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held at First United Methodist Church, where Miles served as chairman and lifetime honorary member of its administrative board. He was survived by his wife of 58 years, **GAYNELL ANN BEADLE MILES, '36**, of Lafayette, until her death a month later. She taught at SLI before teaching at Abbeville High School, Carencro High School and Lafayette High School. Ray Miles received a bachelor of arts degree in education from SLI. He taught in SLI's Psychology Department from 1946 to 1948. He also held degrees from Centenary College and Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge. Ray Miles was director of Guidance Services for the Lafayette Parish School Board and organized the Lafayette Parish Counselors Association and Acadiana Guidance Association. Gaynell Miles was a member of First United Methodist Church in Lafayette for more than 80 years. The Miles are survived by three daughters, Gay Lynne Miles of Lafayette, Sylvia M. Guerin of Meriden, Conn., and Laura Virginia Miles of Huntsville, Ala.; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

**LESSAL J. MELANCON, '66**, died June 13, 1998. Melancon earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from USL. A senior drilling engineer, he retired from AMOCO after 30 years of service to become an independent consultant. Survivors include: his wife, Irene Oubre Melancon of Broussard; his father, Hubert Melancon of Catahoula; one daughter, Sharon Melancon of Broussard; two sons, Jeffrey Melancon of Willis, Texas, and Brett Melancon of Broussard; two sisters, Myra Ayo of Breaux Bridge and Melba Dugas of Catahoula; two brothers, Calvin M. Melancon and Wayne M. Melancon; and one grandson, Ty James Melancon of Willis, Texas.

**U.S. CAPT. GERALD LEROY SHORT (RET.), '39**, died Dec. 25, 1999, at his Richmond Beach, Wash., home. Short, who earned an engineering degree from Southwestern Louisiana Institute, served as a Marine in World War II

in Tsingdao, China, and Nagasaki, Japan. After the war, he was assigned duties in Hawaii, Maine, Massachusetts, Virginia, Washington, California, Alaska and Kansas. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Annette Elizabeth Guilbert; five sons, James, Jeffrey, Carl, Kenneth and Bill Short; a daughter, Margaret Short; 12 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother, C.E. Short of Lafayette, and a sister, Marjorie (Donald) Adams of Dallas.

**ADAM J. HULIN, '55**, a founding faculty member of the University of New Orleans, died Oct. 22, 1999. He earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics and science education from USL. He continued his studies at Tulane University, where he earned a master's degree and doctorate in mathematics. Hulin was assistant dean of UNO's College of Sciences from 1976 to 1977 and chairman of its Mathematics Department from 1977 to 1983. He also was director of Institutional Research at UNO from 1984 to 1989. Survivors include his wife, Audrey Mae Breaux Hulin of New Orleans; three daughters, Belinda Hulin Crissman, Monica Hulin and Angela Hulin Hebert; two sons, Colin Hulin and Brett Hulin; and six grandchildren.

Former Ragin' Cajun basketball standout **LARRY J. SIMON, '62**, died Tuesday, Nov. 16,



1999, in Katy, Texas. He was an All-Gulf State Conference basketball player and a candidate for All-American. In USL basketball records, he is ranked 15th in total points scored, with 1,433 points; 16th in career scoring average, with 14.9 points per game; and 19th in career rebounds, with 631. Simon was also a member of the track team. He broke a then-USL record for the high jump in 1961 with a leap of 6 feet, 6 inches. A certified public accountant and financial planner, Simon worked for NASA, the Government Accounting Office and the IRS. He received a bachelor's degree from USL and a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from Bates College of Law at the University of Houston. Survivors include his mother, Mabel D. Simon of Lafayette; his wife, the former Carole Nash Simon of Houston; two sons, Wade Simon and Shannon Simon, both of Houston; two brothers, Rex O. Simon of Leroy, La. and **JIM SIMON, '72**, of Lafayette; two sisters, **TONI BENNETT, '64**, and Brenda Alleman, both of Lafayette; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Sidney Joseph Simon, and one brother, Paul R. Simon.

**KATHY AUTHEMENT PROUET, '75, '82**, daughter of



UL Lafayette President Ray Authement and his wife Barbara Authement, died Nov. 29, 1999, after a year-long battle with leukemia. She was 47 years old. Prouet earned a bachelor's degree in education and a master's degree in special education from USL. She taught special education at Duson Elementary and was active in several teacher and parent-teacher organizations. Prouet is survived by her husband, Philippe Prouet; her children, Philip, 13, and twins Lauren and Michelle, 10; and a sister, Julie Authement of Atlanta. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Pius X Catholic Church on Dec. 1, 1999. Donations can be made to the Leukemia Society of America, 3636 South I-10 Service Road, Suite 304, Metairie, LA 70001, or to the Prouet Scholarship in Special Education through the UL Lafayette Foundation.

**SALLY LAWRENCE MCKISSACK, '79, '90**, died



March 25, 1998, after complications from surgery. She held a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in political science from USL. She was a criminal justice instructor at the university from 1989 to 1995. McKissack served as chairman of the Louisiana State Pardon Committee under the administrations of Govs. Mike Foster and Buddy Roemer. She was vice-chairman of that committee during Gov. David Treen's term of office. McKissack directed the Lafayette Community Correctional Center and was a founding member of the Lafayette Crime Prevention Advisory Committee. She served on the Louisiana Interchurch Conference on Prison Reform, the Mayor's Commission on the Needs of Women, the Louisiana State Penitentiary Prison Reform Task Force and was an adviser to the Task Force on Juvenile Violence. Survivors include: two sons, William David McKissack and Kenneth H. McKissack; and two daughters, Jenny Suffredini and Sally Lauck. She was preceded in death by a son, Robert McKissack.

**CHERYL ANN HARRIS MCKISSACK, '88**, died Feb. 20, 1999, at her home in Lafayette after a lengthy illness. She held a bachelor's degree in fine arts, with a major in advertising design. After moving to North Carolina, she worked as an art director for a newspaper and several advertising agencies before starting her own publishing company. She is survived by her husband, Kenneth H. McKissack; her parents, Walter and Patsy Horris; two sisters, Judy Coufal and Kay Plant; and a brother, Joe Horris.