



**UPPER LAFAYETTE**  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
FOUNDATION

**Upcoming Events**

**Membership Meetings:**

**January 13, 11:30 a.m.**  
**106 Oakway Dr., McDonald's Headquarters**  
Rsvp jan@upperlafayette.com

March 17, 11:30 a.m.  
May 19, 11:30 a.m.  
July 21, 11:30 a.m.

**Randy Paul,**  
**Home Furniture, wishes**  
**you a Merry Christmas!**



Sketch by Doug Smith,  
Home Furniture

**ULEDF Board of  
Directors & Staff**

- Todd Citron, President
- Ed Krampe, V. President
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- Herb Schilling, Past Pres.
- Mona Burris
- Don Dupuis
- Dr. Ross Judice
- John Milton
- Beau Phares
- Dwight "Bo" Ramsay
- Monty Warren
- Jan Swift, Director

**UPPER LAFAYETTE ON THE MOVE....**



On November 12, 2009, ULEDF proudly participated in a joint meeting with the Downtown Rotary Club where our special guest speaker, Louisiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Catherine D. "Kitty" Kimball, was warmly received by the overflowing crowd at the Petroleum Club.



**Chief Justice Catherine Kimball**

Justice Kimball spoke eloquently about the need for reforming our juvenile justice system in Louisiana, which has gained a reputation for treating underage offenders harshly and having a high recidivism rate. Recognizing the need to break this tragic cycle, Kimball has made numerous trips to Missouri with state officials to learn more from the state viewed as *the* model of excellence in juvenile justice. Coupled with Louisiana's excessive high school drop-out rate, Justice Kimball made it alarmingly clear that juvenile justice issues affect *all* of us, businesses and individuals alike.

The Chief Justice also shared her mission to clear up misperceptions of the effectiveness of the Louisiana justice system held by corporate counsel of mega-corporations nationwide. Her presentation resonated with the crowd of professionals in attendance: to correct these erroneous perceptions of our state, we can not hope that things will change. *We must be the catalysts for change!*

**Letter from the President of ULEDF: Todd Citron, Hub City Ford**



I would like to thank the Upper Lafayette general membership as well as the board for making my year as President such a great experience. During the Holiday Season, I always like to take time to reflect on God's many blessings. I truly believe that God has a plan for each of us and that plan must include service to others.

The wonderful people of Acadiana have "bought in" to Upper Lafayette. I believe that our name has definitely become an icon. Now that people are familiar with our name, we have a unique opportunity to define who we are. I am confident that your new President, Dr. Ross Judice will continue to press forward because he is passionate about the future success of Upper Lafayette.

In closing, words cannot express the gratitude that we all owe Jan Swift for the dedication she has shown to her job as executive director. I assure you that without Jan, there would be no Upper Lafayette. Jan, thank you so much for what you have done.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all! May God continue to bless you, your families, and your businesses.

Please join us at our next meeting at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 13, McDonald's Headquarters at 106 Oakway to hear our guest speakers Ed Krampe (McDonald's) and Tom Cox (Golfballs.com), with moderator Dean Joby John, BI Moody College of Business Administration, discuss Entrepreneurship and what it took for them to build their way to the top! Rsvp: jan@upperlafayette.com Guests are welcome and encouraged.

Upper Lafayette Economic Development Foundation is an association of proactive individuals and business leaders, joined together to be a catalyst for change. The Foundation's mission is to enhance and direct the positive, planned growth of Upper Lafayette, focusing on quality of life, while participating in the overall development of the Greater Lafayette Metropolitan Area. Please visit [www.upperlafayette.com](http://www.upperlafayette.com)

## UPPER LAFAYETTE ON THE MOVE...

### ALLSTATES BUILDINGS SYSTEMS HONORED BY BBB WITH INTEGRITY AWARD

The Better Business Bureau of Acadiana held its 17 Annual Awards Program on October 29, 2009 at the River Oaks Conference Center. ULEDF is proud to announce that our own Chuck Anselmo of Allstates Buildings Systems, Inc. was awarded the Integrity Award on behalf of his company. This outstanding award honored Allstates Buildings Systems as the business of 2009 that gained the respect of our community through programs promoting ethical business principles.

In business since 1967 when Chuck's dad, C. E. "Chuck" Anselmo, II, founded the business, Allstate Building Systems provides turnkey construction of commercial buildings. The company prides itself on providing a quality commercial product, on time and within your budget, while always maintaining an exceptional level of quality. All buildings are constructed locally, employing as many area residents as possible, while also supplying a second retail location in Houma. Clients can enjoy cost-cutting measures by utilizing in-house architects at Allstates or by using a design team of their own. Either way, Chuck Angelo's team stands ready to meet your general contracting, metal or portable building needs, and within your budget! Please check out [www.ABSDesignBuild.com](http://www.ABSDesignBuild.com) for more information on the company's many choices of products and services.



Chuck Anselmo, owner:  
Allstates Building Systems

Congratulations to Allstates Building Systems for being recognized as the recipient of BBB's 2009 Integrity Award. We are proud to have you as a valued member of Upper Lafayette Economic Development Foundation!

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES IS A GOOD NEIGHBOR!

Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center ("OLOL") was honored as the 2009 recipient of the Good Neighbor Award (GNA) by the Better Business Bureau at its 17th Annual Awards Program. The GNA is awarded to a business that plays a significant role in the mission(s) of local charities that support programs, provide services, and make donations in our community. OLOL's many works exemplify the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi by humbly providing service to its neighbors throughout our region. In researching this piece, it was telling that OLOL does *not* "toot its own horn." However, I can report that OLOL is proud of the fact that they gave out over \$100,000 last fiscal year to local charities while also serving in their many outreach centers in Acadiana, such as the St Bernadette Community Clinic, Lafayette Community Health Care Clinic; Scott Family Clinic; Northside High School Health Center (providing free minor healthcare and social services to the student population) and its Congregational Health Services wherein they partner with numerous congregations to offer health ministries to those who are uninsured or underinsured. OLOL has over 1200 missionaries who heal in the name of Jesus Christ every day.



OLOL has operated for sixty years under the stewardship of the Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady and the Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady Health System. According to OLOL's mission statement, "We call forth all who serve in this healthcare ministry, to share their gifts and talents to create a spirit of healing—with reverence and love for all of life, with joyfulness of spirit, and with humility and justice for all those entrusted to our care." This mission is truly embodied in the leaders of OLOL, starting with William F. "Bud" Barrow, President and CEO of the hospital, and through the ranks of its corporate officers and medical staff. We have been blessed to have OLOL support our foundation, and are proud to welcome Andre Moreau, V.P. of Corporate Development, to our Board of Directors commencing January 2010.

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#### GOLD

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