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Thursdays at NOON

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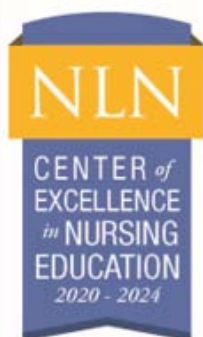
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**May 5, 2022 Speaker - Dean Melinda Granger Obetleitner,
Dean of Nursing, University of Louisiana Lafayette**

Melinda Granger Oberleitner, D.N.S., R.N., F.A.A.N.
Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences
LHC Group Endowed Dean
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University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Dr. Melinda Oberleitner is Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette and a Professor in the LHC Group ? Myers School of Nursing. She is the holder of the SLEMCO/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Nursing. An alumna of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing/Wharton Executive Nurse Fellows Program and a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing, Dr. Oberleitner has

extensive leadership experience in academic nursing education. Under her leadership, departments in the college have experienced significant growth and expansion to become one of the largest colleges at the university with a current enrollment of almost 2,000 nursing and health sciences students in programs ranging from bachelor's to doctoral degree levels. In addition, online Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN), Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), and Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) programs in the School of Nursing have been recognized among nationally highly ranked programs in U.S. News and World Reports rankings. In 2021, Dr. Oberleitner and the college's Development Officer cultivated and secured a \$20 million gift to the College from LHC Group and the Myers Family which is the largest gift to an academic unit in the 125-year history of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. In 2020, the School of Nursing was designated as a national Nursing Center of Excellence by the National League for Nursing.



A pioneer and award-winning oncology nurse, Dr. Oberleitner is the first nursing faculty member in the 72-year history of the College of Nursing at UL Lafayette to be invited for fellowship in the prestigious American Academy of Nursing. Dr. Oberleitner is a long-standing member of the Oncology Nursing Society (ONS). She was named the recipient of the national Oncology Certified Nurse of the Year Award by ONS and the Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation. She



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May 3rd

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May 5th

Andre Hebert
May 7th

Todd G Citron
May 15th

Victor L. Raxsdale
May 15th

Nanette Soileau Heggie
May 15th

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May 20th

Susan M. Sewall
May 26th

Robert Wheeler
May 29th

Mary B. Neiheisel
May 30th

W. Donner Mizelle
June 1st

Michael J. Breaux
June 2nd

also received the American Cancer Society, Louisiana Division, Public Education Lifesaver Award. Dr. Oberleitner was recruited by ONS to co-lead several national task forces and project teams crucial to the mission of the organization. Several of ONS's recent major organizational initiatives have been pursued and funded as a result of several national research studies conducted by Dr. Oberleitner and a co-investigator. The results of Dr. Oberleitner and colleagues' research initiatives have informed and shaped the current mission and strategic plan of ONS and has resulted in the creation of oncology nursing specific end program competencies expected of all graduates of U.S. based pre-licensure nursing programs. Also, on behalf of ONS, she has been a long-time member of the Review Board and an Associate Editor of the Oncology Nursing Forum, a high impact journal, and the research journal for the Society.

Recap of April 28, 2022 Meeting - Mr. Conrad Comeaux, Lafayette Parish Tax Assessor



Mr. Conrad Comeaux, Lafayette Parish Tax Assessor, addressed the club on city/parish consolidation and its effect on Lafayette. Some of the information he provided included the impact of annexation after 1995 (over \$400,000 lost in parish tax revenues); the 2022 municipal boundaries (impact of annexation and population numbers); the model used for consolidation (East Baton Rouge and the current and similar issues that parish is facing); and allocation tables that have been utilized for tax assessments. A question and answer period followed Mr. Comeaux's presentation.

Recap of April 30, 2022 Sporting Clay Shoot

This past Saturday 50 participants took aim at 17 stations at the Wilderness Gun Club in Lafayette.

The weather was perfect, everyone had a great time, and the event's success is due to its generous sponsors:

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41 Years

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05-01-1989
33 Years

Ed Abell
05-01-1994
28 Years

Carroll J. LeBlanc
05-08-1997
25 Years

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05-14-1998
24 Years

Stella C. Theriot
05-23-2002
20 Years

Gabriel Delhomme
05-22-2003
19 Years

Eddie J. Lewis
05-25-2006
16 Years

Joel A. Fruge
05-26-2011
11 Years

Timothy A. Prevost
05-31-2012
10 Years

Michael P. Zaunbrecher
05-28-2015
7 Years

William R. Davie
05-11-2017
5 Years

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Andrew Caffrey, Dr. Mickey Finely, Vic
Raxdale



(Right) Left to right: James Blakeney, Don
Mizelle, Mark Lokey



(Left)
Left
to right: Kyle Domingue, Cade Candella,
Debbie Candella, Kyle Candella, Scott
Candella, Logan Bex.



(Left) Left to right: Paul Guidry, Scott
Laverne, Johnny Barron



(Right) Left to right: John LeMelle, Reving
Broussard, Tommy Hayes, Mike Mayer





(Left) Photo of the Trophy Ceremony with Dan Lavergne (left) announcing the day's winner, Mike Latalais (right), and Kevin Caswell presenting Mike a.k.a. "Fred Flintstone" his trophy.

Thanks to all the committee members and volunteers who made it happen!

Hybrid Meeting Announcement

This week's meeting will be a hybrid meeting with in-person lunch at the Petroleum Club at noon, and the meeting will also be broadcast via Zoom.

Log-in information for attending via Zoom is listed below:
Using a computer/laptop you can simply click the link below:

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