

SPRING 2012

2012 Annual Scholarship Fundraiser

February 25, 2012

This year, the Annual LSU Austin Fundraiser was held on the St. Edward's campus on the 3rd floor ballroom of the Ragsdale Center. The venue could not have been more perfect!

The evening started out with a check in and social hour. We had a cash bar available for those wanting some libations. New this year was an onsite babysitting service for those parents needing a "break."

Next, Susie Rupert announced that our pot full of gumbo - cooked by Windy Andre - was ready to serve! It came with bread (with plenty of butter), salad, and cupcakes. We couldn't wait too long to serve dinner - as you probably already know -- Louisiana folks love to eat - and they can get grouchy if the food takes too long! Everyone agreed that was some damn good gumbo! Thanks again Windy!

Once the gumbo was finished, Will Washington introduced Dean Kevin Carman, who treated us to a very informative update on LSU. That was followed

by the annual membership meeting presented by Will Washington.

Once that was out of the way - it was on to the raffle and auction! As usual, Kathy Nugent did an absolutely fantastic job of getting those bids up for our always fun and competitive live auction, and there were some big winners in our raffle.

All told we managed to raise another \$3000 towards our scholarship fund this year! Right now we are planning on being back at St. Edwards next year with a a very similar format - you really had to be there to appreciate how perfect the venue is! Thanks to everyone who participated. We hope to see you next year!

Bob Verdin, Sr. | Will Washington | Jonathan Puckett David Meaux | Susie & Rick Rupert | Laura Thomas Kelly Verdin | Andre Clesi & Wally Mackin | Cesar Pena Steve Sliman | Chris Verdin | Cypress Grill | Susan Sklar Meredith Cranch | Charles & Lisa Carroll | Sarah Gilmore Windy Andre | Connie Taylor | Lacey Cormier | Uchiko









Congratulations to our 2012-2013 Scholarship winners!

Jeremy Jackson

Jeremy Jackson is our entering freshman winner. Jeremy will graduate from Bowie High School in South Austin and has been admitted into the LSU School of Architecture. Jeremy tutors underclassmen in mathematics, came 1st place at the Bowie High School Science Fair in 2010 and ranks in the top 4% of his class (out of 692 students) - while also being the Varsity team captain of the Bowie High School Football team. Outside of school life, Jeremy is active with his church (Oak Hill Methodist) and works at the YMCA of Austin.

Amanda Davis

Amanda is our returning student winner. Amanda, who is a senior at LSU, is currently double-majoring in Psychology and Criminology. She has decided get a minor in Social Work so that she can work with troubled teens and adults coping with relationship failures. When time permits, Amanda volunteers with V.I.P.S. (Volunteers In Public School) as a Reading Friend for students struggling in an underfunded school, and is also involved in the LSU Psychology Club (Psi Chi) as the club's Secretary.

2012 Annual Crawfish Boil - April 21

You are once again invited to join your fellow Tigers for what is always a great time! Rain or shine, we'll be at the Quigleys' again at 3015 Westlake Dr. off of 360 on the lake! You are free to show up as late as you like, but the Crawfish are not going to be waiting... You have been warned! We'll have FREE hot dogs for the kids, and don't forget to BYOB / softdrinks / water, lawnchairs or blankets, & desserts to share!

Bring your checkbook or a little extra cash – we'll have our awesome LSU Austin crawfish boil t-shirts for sale (logo to the right) along with the always popular LSU Austin koozies! And as of right now, the main LSU Alumni Association plans to have people at the boil with all kinds of LSU goodies for sale as well - so that may be the perfect time to continue to build up - or replenish - your LSU collection!

For many years we have relied on Cajun Catering AKA Wayne Stabiler to supply our crawfish. Two years, ago, the crop was so bad and gas was so expensive that we were priced out of ordering from Wayne, and had to do it ourselves. Last year we found an LSU guy with a crawfish trailer who agreed to come out and cook up our bugs - and they turned out great! We plan on the same format again this year!

There is also a very distinct possibility that we will be camping out this year! Make sure you are getting the emails so that you get all the latest details!!

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Crawfish Boil



Please return the form on page 7 or signup online - we look forward to seeing you there!!



4:00 Check in begins and the free keg(s?)(donated by Abita) begin(s) to flow!

5:00 Crawfish are served!

8:00 Camping Begins!!

Feel free to bring the following: BYOB / softdrinks, lawnchairs/blankets, pop-up tents & dessert to share!

And if you are interested in camping - plan accordingly!!



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2012 Party Barge - June 16

2012 makes our 4th annual party barge! If you haven't been yet - you won't want to miss it! In 2009 we had 50 folks on a party barge on Lake Travis in Devil's Cove for 4 hours. We decided it was too few and too short.

In 2010 and again in 2011 we had 100 people. We had 2 party barges tied together cruising across Lake Travis from Just For Fun to Devil's Cove - that alone was almost worth the experience. Add the 5 hours of sun and fun - along with 2 coolers full of trash can punch, around 30 cases of beer, and food from Trudy's! Mix with the various LSU alumni - we had LSU folks who drove in from Dallas, San Antonio, and Houston! Now that was a great 5 hour party! Let's see if we can do even better this time around!



This year we will again be departing from Just For Fun - hopefully heading over to Devil's Cove! Full disclosure - the lake rules have changed and we aren't completely sure where we'll be - check the website for the latest info. Once again, we'll have food, booze, and 100 people on 2 party barges ready to party it up! We hope you can make it! Tickets are already on sale on the website!

http://www.lsuaustin.com/store.html

*** This WILL sell out - register EARLY***

*** AND REMEMBER PLEASE - NO GLASS ***

Feel free to bring floaties, coolers, towels, chairs, shades, extra booze, cameras, sun screen - whatever you want!

















2012 Student Send-Off Picnic - July 28

The student send-off picnic is another event that is now in its fourth year. In 2009, the picnic was held at a neighborhood park in Round Rock. In 2010, we held the event at a Round Rock Express game. Last year, the picnic was held at the home of Carrell & Frances Killebrew. It worked out so well - we are going to do it again!

This event is an opportunity for local area students and their families to gather with local area alumni. The discussions range from the campus layout to football to various professors and curriculum. We hold it the last weekend of July with the idea that students will be starting to head back to Baton

Rouge around the first of August for fall classes.

Last year we included an LSU swap - that also worked so well we are going to do it again! Bring all your old gently used LSU gear and para and see if maybe it can find a new good LSU-friendly home.

There will be a pool available for swimming if you want to bring a swimsuit & towel! We'll have burgers & dogs available with the fixins, we ask you to bring chips, sides and desserts to share.

Look for further details in the upcoming months. We hope to see you there!



April 21 - Crawfish Boil, 4pm

May - Geaux Lunch

June 16 - Party Barge

July 28 - Student Send-Off Picnic

August 27 - SEC Tailgate Picnic





LSU Game Viewings

2011 - what a season! An undefeated regular season, winning games by a wide margin (except against they who will not be named), taking the SEC Championship trophy, and making it back to New Orleans for the Championship Game! Well - the highlights kind of end there for the 2011 - 2012 season. It was a fantastic season - enough said.

This year promises to be even better! And who could have guessed it - we are back to playing the Aggies every year! Can you say road trip to College Station?? There is an LSU Austin bus in the works - stay tuned for that! We are still in the very early planning stages. The early details are that we'll tailgate somewhere and those who don't have tickets will be watching the game somewhere. Maybe those aren't great details - but hey! LSU Road Trip!!

















LSU Happy Hours

In the past we've had stints and Lavaca Street Bar, Zax Pints & Plates,3 rd Base on 6th and Lucy's. We've also visited a couple of other bars around town. While we appreciated the love, last year we decided to throttle back the number of happy hours.

This year - we are going back to full on monthly happy hour mode! Look for LSU Happy Hours to come your way soon!

We'll be bouncing around the town checking out all the cool venues that Austin has to offer! We'll be hitting bars up north, down south, and central! Although the schedule to the right is a good roadmap, no dates or locations are set in stone. Remember to check the website, emails or Facebook for the latest! And we always welcome your suggestions!!

HAPPY HOURS

April 18 - Icenhauer's

May 17 - Hanger Lounge

June 21

July 18

August 16

September 20

October 17

November 15

2012 SEC Austin Events

2011 marked the first year of the new Austin SEC Club. There was the reintroduced annual Golf Tournament, several happy hours, a Round Rock Express outing, a new annual Kentucky Derby party, the annual SEC Tailgate Picnic, and of course lots of football! The year ended with the now annual Toys For Tots Holiday Happy Hour. Everyone agrees that the SEC Club has been a huge success, and we'll only get better with the addition of A&M and Mizzou.

All of these activities are organized and promoted by the aforementioned Austin SEC Club, which is comprised of a board of directors consisting of members from all 12 (soon to be 14) SEC schools. The purpose of the SEC Austin board is to promote camaraderie and community between the SEC schools here in Austin. To that end, there will be MANY more upcoming events!

To stay on top of the SEC events, we include an SEC calendar in our emails, and you can join the SEC Austin Facebook page - along with joining the LSU Austin Facebook page, of course! In so doing you will be able to stay abreast of the various activities that are happening in and around Austin.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

March 23 - SEC Golf Tournament

May 5 - Kentucky Derby Party

June - Happy Hour

August 25 - SEC Picnic

September - Football!!

October - Happy Hour

December - Toys For Tots

















2012 SEC Tailgate Picnic - August 25





The 2011 SEC Tailgate Picnic can be summed up in one word. HOT!! That definitely kept lots of people away. Unfortunately, it was a much smaller picnic than we've had in the past. Georgia almost beat us in participation numbers!

This year, we are probably going to have to relinquish the most attendees title - to A&M. We'll see, maybe we can retain the crown - but it is going to take concerted effort to make that happen!

Stuffed has been treating us to their delicious Cajun Meat for the last couple of years now, and we fully expect them to be out there again! If you walk away hungry - you just aren't trying hard enough!

There is talk of changing up the venue this year - it hasn't been firmed up yet. As always, check the website, the emails and Facebook for the up to date info!

Consider bringing the following: BYOB / softdrinks, lawnchairs, pop-up tents & dessert to share!

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2012 Crawfish Boil, Member & Sponsor Form LSU Austin Alumni



Saturday, April 21st

Membership is open to anyone who bleeds purple & gold! Dues are valid from January - December 2012 Gold or Platinum Membership includes dues for the main LSU Alumni Association You can also sign up online at Isuaustin.com/store.html

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2012 LSU Austin Geaux Lunches

Last October, we held our inaugural Geaux Lunch. The purpose of the new Geaux Lunch series is to offer our working folks an opportunity to network and socicalize in a more professional setting. When we can, we'll also schedule a speaker who can give us a brief update on LSU.

This past October, Andrea Clesi blew the walls out with her presentation, and there was an excellent mix of old Tigers and new. The room proved to be perfect for mingling with new friends and also enjoying the doberge cake donated by Scott Calvert of The Cake Plate. All indications were that The Cake Plate makes a Doberge Cake that is absolutely phenomenal!

We are still working out the details for the next Geaux Lunch, our intention is to hold at least 2 a year with our next one happening sometime in May. If you have any suggestions for venues, please don't hesitate to let us know! You can contact Susan Sklar at susansklar@mac.com and let her know what you think would make a great venue!



















2012 LSU Austin Volunteer Opportunities









In 2010, we started volunteering alternately with Habitat for Humanity and the Capital Area Food Bank. After several successful volunteer events, we've decided to start holding these 4 times a year starting in 2012. While we are going to have to move from Habitat, our current plans are to volunteer outdoors in the Fall & Spring, when the weather is nice out, and to volunteer at the food bank in the winter and summer, when the weather isn't quite so agreeable and we can be inside.

Check the website and email for details on the next volunteer opportunity - and we look forward to seeing you at one of our future events! **Thanks to all our volunteers!**



2011 Crawl For Cancer

Crawl for Cancer™ is an organization driven to plan and host fundraising events that support lifesaving research and those affected by cancer.

Last Year the LSU Austin Young Alum Coordinator, Meredith Cranch, entered a team to participate in the pub crawl.

Our team believes that a record was set in the speed of the consumption of pitchers related to this event, although there is no official number that represents that speed.

Look for other random events to pop up in the future! Join the Young Alum Facebook Group to get all the latest - Geaux Tigers!!

http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/111102065647564/



2011 Membership Luncheon

Prior to 2008, our membership meeting was held in combination with our annual fundraiser at the beginning of the year. In 2008 we switched over to a more formal fundraiser, and decided to separate out the membership meeting in order to focus on the fundraising efforts.

In 2011 the membership meeting was held at Shoal Creek Saloon on May 14th at high noon. There was a brief recap of the chapter events and elections were held.

In 2012 the membership meeting was once again combined with the annual fundraiser, so the membership meetings may be a thing of the past...



2012 Texas Tiger Reception - March 31

Every year, Linda Young from the LSU Dallas chapter organizes a Texas Tiger Reception during Spring Testing in Baton Rouge. This is an opportunity for the best and the brightest Seniors from Texas, and their parents, to be introduced to LSU and meet some other future LSU students from Texas.

Last year there was another record number of kids from Texas who registered for Spring Testing, and the reception was "wall to wall kids, parents and LSU officials" (nearly 200)! If you are in Baton Rouge and on campus on Thursday March 31st, stop by the Magnolia Room in the Union and say Howdy!



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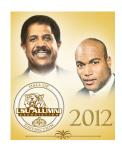
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2012 LSU Alumni Association Hall of Distinction



Distinguished scholar, author, and international business consultant John S. Butler, along with Dallas Cowboys linebacker Bradie James, highlight the roster of LSU alumni named to the 2012 LSU Alumni Association Hall of Distinction. Butler will be inducted on March 30 during ceremonies held at Lod Cook Alumni Center.

Butler, a professor of management and sociology at the University of Texas at Austin holds the Herb Kelleher Chair in Entrepreneurship and the J. Marion West Chair for Constructive Capitalism. He is also director of the Institute for Creativity Capital, or IC2, which has produced more than 250 companies and generated more than a quarter of a billion dollars for start-ups.

Butler earned a bachelor's degree from the LSU College of Arts & Sciences, now College of Humanities & Social Sciences, in 1969, and a Ph.D. in sociology from Northwestern University (Evanston, III.) in 1974.

A longtime former member of the LSU Alumni Association National Board of Directors, Butler was instrumental in the development of the Austin Alumni Chapter.

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