

College of Education Academic Showcase

Chapter 12

College of Education Graduates - Homecoming 1998 II - Comments During the COE Tailgating. Alison Carlino, Shirley and Ernie Alexander, Beth Arceneaux Trahan, Dr. Bill Reick, Charles Arceneaux, Dave Cavalier, Dr. Rosalyn Growe, Dr. Elizabeth Weber, Fred "Erik" Nelson, Dr. Gerald Carlson, Music Major.

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Transcript

Allison Carlino: Hello, my name is Allison Carlino. I'm the Student Government President of the College of Education for this year and I'm a senior in elementary education. I'll be graduating next Spring ... be student teaching and graduating. Yay! [chuckles] ... I've been here since the Fall of '94 and I've really, really enjoyed coming to Lafayette. I'm from central Louisiana and it's such a change down here. I've been in the band for the last four years. I'm a sorority member. And I love... I just love the atmosphere and the spirit of USL. People down here are just wonderful. The food's great and I plan on coming back for my master's as soon as I graduate and possibly my doctorate one day at USL.

Shirley and Ernie Alexander: Hi, I'm Ernie Alexander, class of 1964, and my wife, Shirley, class of 1954. That means she's much older than I am. I quit and came back to school is what I did. It's wonderful to be here for Homecoming, folks, and I gotta tell you we had a wonderful thing for the past alumni presidents last night at the Alumni Center. They unveiled all of the portraits, and it was some outstanding memories that came pouring back. It's great to be back here at Southwestern. We will always love this place... is a place that really helped us to mature and to go on to bigger and better things.

Beth Arceneaux Trahan: So, my name is Beth Arceneaux Trahan. I graduated in 1993 in the College of Education. I am now teaching 2nd grade at Prairie Elementary. This is going on my sixth year. I'm enjoying it a lot. This is my daughter, Little Beth, which will be a future Ragin' Cajun. She's in the Ragin' Cajun club now. I minored in kindergarten so I had to go two semesters of student teaching so that was funny. That was not fun, but at least I didn't have to take physics. That was the good thing. I not good in physics. So, I enjoyed USL. I had a blast there and, hopefully, I'll see my children there.

Dr. Bill Reick: Dr. Bill Reick, Professor of Education. I came here in January '91 and coming from the North I wasn't exactly used to Cajun and I'm driving behind this bus and on the back of it it has "G-E-A-U-X Cajuns". When I finally got to my apartment, they gave me the key, they asked me if there is anything that they could do to help me and I said, "Yeah, would you please tell me what the hell "Geaux Cajuns" mean?" That was my first introduction that's that how you spell "go", and I can now even do Atchafalaya, and it's like "a bear" instead of Hebert, and the whole bit. But I'm really enjoying my time here. I've got some very fine students. The College of Education, in my opinion, does an outstanding job. They really try to produce the best graduates they can, and I think our records show that they do, and I hope to be here for about another 10 or 15 years 'til I retire.

Charles Arceneaux: Charles Arceneaux. Graduated in Health and Physical Education in 1956 and I remember some of my professors, Coach Edney and Coach Brand were real good. And just about everything about USL back then was real good. It was a small school. It was SLI I graduated from and just about everybody, everybody else. It was really good.

Dave Cavalier: I can remember USL from 1959 to 1963. I came here on a football scholarship. Played football. I guess the most memorable thing was Russ Faulkinberry when he came in the spring of 1961. He tried to run us all off, but I have a lot of respect for Russ now and we had a great time.

Dr. Rosalyn Growe: How are you? I'm Dr. Rosalyn Growe. I'm the department head of Educational Foundations and Leadership. I have been at USL thirteen years now and this is a very, very exciting time to be at USL. A lot is happening, specifically in the College of Education, and I would just like to say I'm extremely happy to be a part of the university.

Dr. Elizabeth Weber: I'm Elizabeth Weber. I teach in the department of [unintelligible] administration. I've been teaching at USL since 1984. I feel very much a part of USL. Not only because I've been teaching here for quite a while, but also because my mother graduated from USL more than 50 years ago and also due to the fact that she's a former teacher and when she first started teaching, she taught our president, Ray Authement, when he was living in the southern part of Terrebonne Parish. I've enjoyed teaching at USL. I've been teaching [unintelligible] and there are a lot of former students out there whose lesson plans I've read. So, I feel like I've read a lot of lesson plans since I've been here at USL. I hope that someday my own son will attend USL. He's thirteen now and perhaps that is something that will occur.

Fred "Erik" Nelson: My name is Fred "Erik" Nelson. A lot of people know me as Fred, some as Erik. Been at USL going on my 37th year now. Just about the oldest faculty member in the College of Education at my age and enjoyed every minute of it. In fact, when I'm kind of teaching for nothing now, if I retire to make about the same money, but I keep on the budget that's a lot of fun. USL has been a fantastic place to me and my family and I wish it the best when I retire. I think it might survive without me, but sometimes you know you gotta need a little help, so I might come back and teach an adjunct course or two. And that's about sums it up. It's like I say USL's been a fantastic place.

Dr. Gerald Carlson: Hi, I'm Gerald Carlson. I'm the department head for health and physical education and I'm just happy to be here. I came here in 1980. Left in '84. Came back in '87 as department head. I think we've got one of the finest colleges of education in the country. I've been around to several universities and the quality of the faculty that we have here and the quality of the faculty that we have in our department of health and physical education is just bar none. They're fantastic.

Unidentified Music Major: I was the class of 1954 from SLI. I finished in music in piano with the business of music education degree. My fondest memories probably were of the faculty at the School of Music. Mr. Dupree was the head of the music department and George Burns, George Barth, James Hannah. My favorite was Miss Eva Marie Mouton, who was just a wonderful person to teach piano, and I learn many good tips from her, and we have three children who are all USL graduates, and one is teaching in the School of Music right now.