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## Presidential View Become An Advocate for Your Profession

*Denise Latour, LSCA President, 2018-19*



I am looking forward to serving as LSCA President for 18-19. My theme for my term is Advocacy with my first task being to develop an accurate list of school counselors in Louisiana. Because of this and wanting to get this message to as many school counselors as possible, I have used the same article in the *Cajun Counselor*, *ASCA Louisiana Counselor*, and *LDOE Counselor Connect*.

Earlier this year, LSCA attempted to reach out to all of the school counselors in Louisiana. Since LSCA was unable to ascertain if every school counselor was on the mailing list; please use the following link to provide your name and email address: <https://goo.gl/forms/tsyEHRIPgT5c10t73>. Thank you for taking the time

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## Thank You for a Great Year!

*Royce Hooks, Sr., LSCA President 2017-18*

Time does sure fly when you want to get things **accomplished within the board, I can't believe that my year of presidency with LSCA is over.** I remember that day at the LCA Conference when I was written in as a candidate for presidency (Thank you Dr. Alice Cryer-Sumler & Vinetta Frie). I was not sure I was ready for the responsibility, (Thanks Dr. Reshelle Marino & Tara Washington) but humbly accepted. I thought I would have two years to prepare, but the person in line before me decided to step down, so my term was bumped up a year and I was immediately President-Elect. Thankfully, I was able to collaborate with Tara Washing-

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## Upcoming Event

LSCA Executive Board Meeting  
October 7, 2018  
Crowne Plaza  
Baton Rouge

### LSCA's Mission:

To support professional school counselors as they assist students and their families in their academic, career, and personal/social development.

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to do this.

As we begin the 18-19 school year, I am challenging you to advocate for the school counseling profession.

**Why? According to Wendy Rock, LSCA, “The [ASCA Ethical Standards](#) call on us to advocate for the profession. According to our ethical standards, we advocate for “a school counseling program free of non-school-counseling assignments” (B.2.c), “for administrators to place in school counseling positions certified school counselors who are competent, qualified, and hold a master’s degree or higher in school counseling from an accredited program” (B.2.h), and for school counselors to advocate “for equitable school counseling programs policies and practices” (B.2.i).”**

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ton, Past President & Dr. Reshelle Marino current President at the time. They both taught me what I needed to know, so thank you Dr. Marino & Tara! To the LSCA Executive Board members who have served for many, many years—I admire you so much! You all are always willing to lend a helping hand, even if it was manning the table to sell shirts, helping me throughout the leadership board process, and attending meetings on behalf of LSCA. You are truly advocates for the school counseling profession.

This has been such an eventful year for the Louisiana School Counselors Association! I am happy to report that many of my goals to advocate for our role, our profession, and our abilities as school counselors were accomplished. We have created ongoing counselor study groups with the assistance of LDOE representative Leslie Gilliland. We have also strengthened our relationship with the LDOE, to ensure that school counselors are considered in stakeholder meetings and conferences. It is crucial that we continue to make the effort of collaborating with stakeholders in education so that our roles are valued.

I am so glad that our LSCA Board voted to provide our School Counselors of the Year a free, one-year paid membership for LCA and LSCA and to join the board as a committee member and this will continue to be an on-

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*The passing of the LSCA Gavel from Royce Hooks, Sr., LSCA President 2017-2018 to Denise Latour, LSCA President 2018-19!*

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## Finding Calm

*Vinetta Frie, Cajun Counselor  
Newsletter Editor*



As counselors, we spend so much time being attentive to the needs of others. So much so that we often ignore or devalue our needs. If you are pouring a glass of delicious liquid, then another, and another, at some point, the pitcher will be empty. Responding to the needs of others is a similar process. Counselors must be aware of the status of their physical/emotional/psychological/spiritual “pitcher” and how to refill it.

Take some time, in the next three weeks to find a way to replenish your “pitcher.” You might try a monthly deep tissue massage. You may use a sound machine at night of ocean waves or babbling creek. You might try an essential oil diffuser with a scent you find soothing. YouTube has multiple channels of music, evening sounds like crickets, waterfalls, thunderstorms and more. Yoga, meditation, counting your blessings prayer — the list is almost endless.

Find something, do it regularly. Do I have your word that you will take better care of yourself?



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Lack time? Wes Upton of the Lone Star State **School Counselor Association has this to say**, “Your time and energy in counseling program advocacy pays dividends for multiple entities across your school community. Advocate for yourself. Advocate for your program. You will find that these advocacy efforts will result in ultimate advocacy for all students. You are worth it, school counselors are worth it, and all of the **students we serve are worth it!**”

How? Start by educating your students, parents, and co-workers on the role of a school counselor. Learn about and begin to implement a comprehensive school counseling program that serves the needs of all students. Join your local school counselor group, the Louisiana School Counselor Association, and the American School Counselor Association. Participate in professional development.



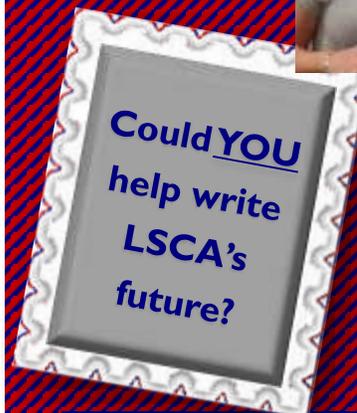
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going initiative. Thank you so much for your teamwork, your leadership, and time & effort.

Also, we have made efforts on attaining our association as a 501c3 (process continues to be ongoing, as paperwork needs to be done). I have had the opportunity to be on the task force with Governor John Bell in dealing with School Shooting Safety and also with PBIS task force as it relates to Bullying and Behavior Modification Prevention. We have provided professional development opportunities to school districts, free of charge, and will continue to do so once a quarter to those requesting educational opportunities to gain CE clock hours. Our commitment to provide free professional development opportunities to LSCA members is taking us to many different sites. Dr. Marianna Sandifer and Rock, we thank you for being willing to present on how to implement the ASCA National Model into **schools this fall. & spring. Overall, the “LSCA Comes to You” initiative has been a successful endeavor to reward school counselors for the work that they do, and we are pleased with the results thus far.**

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*Passing of the gavel between LSCA Presidents: Dr. Jennifer Curry to Frank Phinney; Frank to Tara Washington; Tara to Dr. Reshelle Marino, Reshelle to Royce Hooks; Could you be NEXT??*



# LSCA Mail In Ballot

## President Elect—Elect

- Keshia Simmons
- Write In Candidate

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Current LSCA Member?  Yes  No

## Elementary Vice President

- Miriam Davis
- Alicia Griffin
- Write In Candidate

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Current LSCA Member?  Yes  No

## Secondary Vice President

- Melissa Mistiot
- Write In Candidate

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Current LSCA Member?  Yes  No

Print this page and mail your vote by **September 23, 2018** to Mr. Royce Hooks, Sr., Past President, 2240 South Villiage Green Street, Harvey, LA 70058.



Organize, agitate, educate must be our war cry!  
— Susan B. Anthony

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It has been an eventful year for LSCA but we still have work to do as it relates to advocating for our role within schools and communities around the country, and state level as well. It has been a pleasure and an honor to have this experience as the leader of the LSCA Executive Board.

Thank you all for giving me the opportunity and I know we will continue to make great strides in the upcoming year as you are in very good hands with our incoming President Ms. Denise Latour. Denise is a true leader and an advocate for school counselors. As I wrap up please remember to continue to take our profession to the next level. Never forget that we are One SOUND, ONE VOICE, ONE HEARTBEAT — WE ARE SCHOOL COUNSELORS!!! I hope to see you all at LCA Conference.



Current LSCA Vice Presidents: Wendy Rock, Post Secondary; Danielle Cole, Elementary; and Tanya Hebert, Secondary School. Photo by Vinetta Frie. Not pictured is Dr. Dymphna Davis, Middle School.

# Announcing: LSCA Trak

- 📣 Motivational Interviewing for School Counselors, Dr. Wendy Rock
- 📣 Minding the Shooter: How Secure Is Your School Safety Plan, Dr. Walter Breaux, Hasaan Reeder, and Tiffany Henderson
- 📣 Red Flags for Possible Human Trafficking: What School Counselors Should Know, Dr. Reshelle Marino and Dr. Laura Fazio-Griffith
- 📣 Without Walls: Substance Use and Abuse in K-12 Settings, Interventions for Restoration of Healthy Living, Dr. Judith Miranti, Tamika Davis
- 📣 Speaking Their Love Language, Cathy Smith and Sharon Jackson
- 📣 School Counselor Supervision: How to blend administrative and licensure requirements for optimal professional growth, Dr. Ariel Mitchell, Dr. Wendy Rock, and Halima Dargan
- 📣 School Counselors & STEM Career Development Program Delivery: Preliminary Findings, Dr. Christopher Belser



Julia Cook, award winning author and former school counselor will speak at the LSCA Luncheon, present a content session, **“Got Hope? NOPE!: Understanding the Importance of Hopefulness,”** and will

also deliver one of the **THREE** key note messages **by national speakers at this year’s conference!**

The most tragic thing a person can lose is their hope. Without hope, despair takes over. **Without hope...a child becomes hopeless. Hopeless children don’t try, have poor relationships** with others, and feel helpless. In terms of resilience and well being, hope is a critically important predictor of success. Research tells us that by the time children are 10 years old, they have maximized the amount of hope instilled in their minds. This poses two very unique challenges for **parents, teachers, and counselors...How do we help children increase their amount of hope prior to the age of 10, and how do we help them maximize their hope potential after the age of 10.** In this research-based, humor infused keynote, Julia Cook explores the components of hope, discusses the results of the Hope Scale for Children, defines the differences between hope and optimism, and presents a blueprint for maximizing hope growth and potential in children, teens and adults. **“Hope us our children’s window for a better tomorrow!” Ready...Get “MIND SET”...GROW!**

**Don’t forget to purchase a ticket** for the LSCA Awards Luncheon on Sunday, October 7, 2018!

# *Kesha M. Simmons, M. Ed.*

Leader \* Life Long Learner \* Promoter of Conscious Parenting  
Candidate for LSCA, President Elect-Elect 2018-2019  
[www.keshasimmons.com](http://www.keshasimmons.com)



*An advocate at heart, Kesha hopes to extend her passion for advocacy to Louisiana School Counseling Association by serving as President Elect-Elect. As President Elect-Elect, Kesha is committed to learn from the leaders before her, increase membership into the school counseling professional organizations, advocate for the best interest of the profession, and promote the implementation of RAMP in local schools.*

For five years, Kesha M. Simmons has worked as a school counselor helping 9th and 10th-grade students, at Caddo Parish Magnet High School, develop academically, socially, and professionally. She is the author of *Make it Count!*—a high school planning guide for 9th and 10th grade students and *School Counseling at Your Fingertips*—an informational website for parents and students. In addition, Kesha sponsors a student-led, peer tutoring program, “The Homework Gang”, for Caddo Parish students. She partners with local counseling agencies to help children throughout the parish with difficult-to-treat emotional disorders or developmental disabilities. As a trained *Court Appointed Special Advocate* (CASA), Kesha is skilled at advocating for abused and neglected children.

Professionally, Kesha is a member of the *American School Counselor Association* (ASCA) and the *Louisiana School Counselor Association* (LSCA). She was nominated for *Caddo School Counselor Association* (CSCA) *School Counselor of the Year 2018* and is an [Honoree of The Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce ATHENA Leadership Award 2017](#) for her outstanding work in community service.



## Two Candidates for LSCA Elementary Vice President

*Submitted by Royce Hooks, Past  
President, Nominations & Elections  
Chair*

Miriam Davis

Miriam Davis is a school counselor in the Lafayette Parish School System located in Lafayette, Louisiana. She currently counsels 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders at J. W. Faulk Elementary. Miriam received her undergraduate degrees in Psychology and General Studies from Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, Louisiana.

While an undergraduate student, she conducted research, on the question, Are children likely to remember negative words as opposed to positive words in color? She conducted the research project to observe the effects of color on recognition and memory in children. Miriam also received her Masters of Education degree in School Counseling from Nicholls State University (NSU) in 2017.

While in graduate school, she served as the president of Chi Sigma Iota Honor Society (Gamma Chapter). After graduating with her Masters, Miriam obtained her PLPC license and is currently working towards licensure. She has been accepted into the Doctoral program at Mississippi College for the Spring 2019 semester. She will pursue a Doctoral degree in Professional Counseling. During her spare time, she enjoys spending time with family, friends, and her two cats.

My name is Alicia Griffin and I am a two-time graduate from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. I graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology and a Master of Science degree in Counselor Education with concentrations in Clinical Mental Health and School Counseling. I am a Provisional Licensed Professional Counselor in the state of Louisiana and a K-12 Certified School Counselor with the Louisiana Department of Education. I am currently pursuing certification as a Registered Play Therapist. I am a member of the American and Louisiana Counseling Associations. Locally, I am member of the Lafayette Parish School Counselor Association and the Lafayette Foundation for Teachers.

I am a huge advocate for Mental Health Awareness

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Alicia Griffin

as it relates to increasing positive supports for students in educational settings. Professionally, my background includes five years of mental health experience. I have worked in a variety of positions including a Case Manager for individuals with developmental disabilities, an Intake Coordinator in an inpatient psychiatric hospital, and a Clinical Behavioral Health Counselor in a multidisciplinary medical practice. I am entering my second year of education. I currently serve as a School Counselor at Prairie Elementary and an Adjunct Instructor of Psychology at South Louisiana Community College. **My life's passion is helping students navigate**

and overcome barriers to academic success. Daily, I am entrusted with helping both my elementary and adult students navigate a plethora of adversities. I pride myself on advocating on their behalf, as well as empowering them through psychoeducation to succeed despite the challenges they face.

My students inspire me to be innovative in my counseling approach. Currently, I am executing a grant I wrote entitled "Moving Towards Mindfulness" at my elementary school campus. All school stakeholders are being trained on mindfulness practices in yoga, deep breathing, and meditation. Students will be receiving core curriculum lessons geared towards mindfulness practices to combat difficulties faced in their home life and/or at school. My goal is to collaborate with school officials to pilot such programs across school districts in the near future. I hope that election into a leadership position in the Louisiana School Counseling Association will allow me to collaborate with key educational leaders across the state to continue to pilot such interventions. I strongly believe that advocating for mental well-being at the elementary level will create a solid foundation for students to achieve lifelong success.



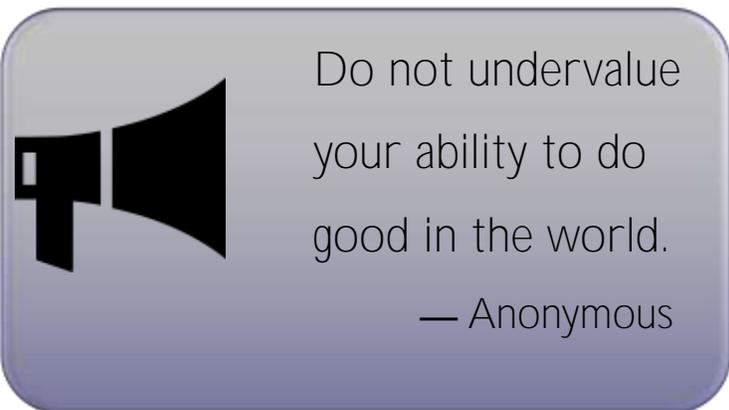
**Editor's Note:** A bio and photo was not received from Ms. Melissa Mistiot, candidate for Secondary Vice President, A copy will be made available on the website and at the voting box as soon as possible.



# Thank You, LSCA!

*Claire Barry, LSCA Scholarship Recipient*

My name is Claire Barry, and I am a graduate student at the University of New Orleans pursuing my Master of Education in Counseling with an emphasis in school counseling. I recently received a LSCA scholarship and am very thankful to the LSCA Board, to the UNO Counseling faculty, and my school administration at Kenner Discovery for the opportunities that they have provided. This year I will be able to intern as a school counselor and finish my final year of courses without worrying about the cost of tuition. This scholarship will provide me with the opportunity to continue my graduate student coursework and be able to attend state as well as national conferences to help me develop my professional counseling identity. Thank you again LSCA board for your generosity and support of graduate students in the school counseling profession!



## Thank You For This Honor

*Katherine Wolf, LSCA Scholarship Recipient*

Hello LSCA members! My name is Katherine Wolf, and I am a third-year school counseling student at Louisiana State University. As a former middle school teacher, I have seen how vital effective school counselors are to the vitality of a school. It is an honor to have been selected to serve as a graduate student representative on the LSCA Board and see all the effort and passion that is put into maintaining our professional **presence. I would like to thank the faculty at LSU's** counseling department for being the inspiring mentors they are, as well as the executive board itself for granting me this scholarship. 



*LSCA Scholarship Recipient Katherine Wolf, Dr. Wendy Rock Chair and Claire Barry, also Scholarship Recipient for 2018*

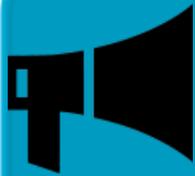
## LSCA Scholarship Winners Announced

*Wendy Rock, Ph.D., LPC-S, NCC, NCSC, LSCA Scholarship Chairperson*

The LSCA Governing Board wishes to extend its sincerest congratulations to our two scholarship winners, Claire Barry and Katherine Wolf. The LSCA **scholarship is for master's level graduate students in school counseling.** Scholarship applicants submitted an application, two letters of recommendation, and responded to an essay prompt regarding current trends in education focused on exploring data, accountability, and progress monitoring as a way to evaluate school counseling programs and school counselor effectiveness. Scholarship recipients receive \$500 toward the cost of their education.

In addition, to receiving the scholarship, the winners serve as graduate student representatives on the LSCA Board for one academic year. The graduate student representatives to the Board give input on issues such as programming, services, and training opportunities offered to student members of LSCA. Claire is a student at the University of New Orleans (UNO). She has served as an elementary teacher in two Greater New Orleans area schools and was awarded a mini-grant from the Autism Society of Greater New Orleans to recognize and support her work with students. Katherine is a student at Louisiana State University (LSU). She also teaches in a Greater New Orleans area school as a Teach for America teacher. In addition, Katherine has served as the first author on a national presentation at the Association for Specialists in Group Work Con-

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“We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility. IT’s easy to say, ‘It’s not my child, not my community, not my world, not my problem.’

Then there are those who see the need and respond. I consider those people my heroes.” — Fred Rogers



## Here to Help

Wendy Rock, Ph.D., LPC-S, NCC, NCSC, Post-Secondary Vice President

It is my extreme pleasure to serve the LSCA Governing Board as the Post-Secondary Vice President. It has long been a dream of mine to earn my Ph.D. in Counselor Education and share my experience as a practitioner with aspiring school counselors as a counselor educator. In addition, I am blessed to serve in a leadership position while in that capacity. My responsibilities to the Board include membership outreach and recruitment as well as planning professional development. Please contact me if I can help you, your school counseling program, or your school district with any needs. [wendy.rock@southeastern.edu](mailto:wendy.rock@southeastern.edu) is my email address. 📣



**LSCA’s Dream Team: Veronica Douglas, President Elect, Denise Latour, President, and Royce Hooks, Sr., Past President.**



Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.

— Theodore Roosevelt

## LDI ASCA Meeting in Los Angeles

Royce Hooks, LSCA President 2017-18



I attended the Leadership Development Institute, LDI, at the ASCA Conference in Los Angeles, CA, July 12-12 this past summer. It was a great opportunity to network with other individuals from other states. I really enjoyed the opportunity to really speak about critical issues and current events in the counseling profession with creative professionals from across the country. The relationships and the knowledge that I received from others was both enlightening and informative. The most beneficial aspect of the LDI for was that the collaboration and learning about the issues other leaders are facing in their states. I liked the break-out sessions where we were able to learn how to improve our leadership styles. Because I like practical information, I found the participants **who were willing to share what has and hasn’t worked** for their states, the most helpful to me. It was inspiring to hear how the other states do to build on their success or learn from their failures. I loved when others were actively listening to other issues and commenting (i.e. analyzing problems without blaming, displaying a willingness to find solution to problems, giving credit to others for contributions, and investing the required time and energy to complete tasks).

Attending LDI confirmed the feeling I have had throughout my year as LSCA President that we as professional school counselors are on the verge of great things to come in the near future! I believe we are up to the challenge to make a difference for our students, in our communities, and by performing our jobs to the best of our abilities in our schools. 📣

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ference. The title of the presentation was School Counselors Use of Groups to Build Faculty Empathy. Please join me in congratulating Claire and Katherine and wishing them continued success!





## Grant Money Available For School Counseling Research!!!

Wendy Rock, Ph.D., LPC-S, NCC, NCSC, Post-Secondary Vice President

The Louisiana School Counselor Association will award a \$500 grant to one graduate student, professional school counselor, or counselor educator this year. The award is designed to be used to support research in the area of school counselor effectiveness, transformation of the school counseling profession, or school counselors and student outcomes.

Applicants must be a current member of the Louisiana School Counselor Association. The recipient shall demonstrate that monies are for scholarly research in the field of school counseling. Applications are available of the LSCA website: [www.louisianaschool-counselor.com](http://www.louisianaschool-counselor.com) and will be made available at the LCA conference October 7-9, 2018 in Baton Rouge. Completed applications should be sent to: Wendy Rock, SLU Box 10863, Hammond, LA 70402 or e-mail [wendy.rock@southeastern.edu](mailto:wendy.rock@southeastern.edu) no later than November 1, 2018. Grant recipients will be notified by January 1, 2019. The project will be implemented during the remainder of the 2019 school year. The recipient will be expected to submit a brief summary of their research at the annual LCA conference.



## Welcome to Denise Latour's Look!

Every year, the look of your Cajun Counselor is personalized for the incoming President. Denise wanted shades of blue throughout the issue and something to symbolize advocacy. We chose the megaphone as her symbol.

Denise also wants you to think of what you can do to advocate for yourself, your clients, our profession. We hope one of the quotes inspires you to advocate!



**"Never, never be afraid to do what's right, especially if the well-being of a person or animal is at stake. Society's punishments are small compared to the wounds we inflict on our soul when we look the other way."** — Rev. Dr. Martin Luther

### LSCA Executive Leadership Team 2018-19

*Pictured below from L to R: Sharon Jackson, Parliamentarian; Dr. Sundy Barjon, Secretary, 2017-18; Jill Lockhart, Treasurer; Royce Hooks, Sr., Past President; Veronica Douglas, President Elect; Denise Latour, President. Photo by Vinetta Frie, Cajun Counselor Editor. Not pictured is Amanda Duplantier, Secretary, 2018-19.*





**LSCA Counselors of the Year...**  
**Come Celebrate With Us!**

*Submitted by Dr. Alice Cryer-Sumler, Awards Co-Chair*

School Counselors play a vital role in the success of our students. The Louisiana School Counselor of the Year Program strives to recognize and honor outstanding school counselors and supporters of counselors. That is, we look for school counselors who are implementing top-notch, comprehensive school counseling programs at either the elementary, middle/junior or high school level. These counselors use the majority of their time to work directly with students, providing classroom guidance activities, small group counseling and individual counseling sessions. They understand the importance of providing service to all students. In addition, LSCA accepts nominations for those persons who have made outstanding contributions to school counselors or to education with special emphasis on the school counseling profession. Again, we are seeking to identify and recognize those counselors who are implementing the Comprehensive School Counseling Model. This year the following school counselors were nominated and completed an application:

[Elementary School Counselors](#)

Kelle Falterman, Honey Island Elementary School  
 St. Tammany Parish

Jennie Hermann, Norco Elementary School  
 St. Charles Parish

Dawn Stelly, Ridge Elementary School  
 Lafayette Parish

[Middle School Counselors](#)

Cassandra Austin, S. J. Welch Middle School  
 Calcasieu Parish

Robin Wood Nall, Caroline Dorman Junior High School  
 Rapides Parish

Brittany Pecor, Edgar Martin Middle School  
 East Baton Rouge Parish

[High School Counselors](#)

Raquel Augustus, Lafayette High School  
 Lafayette Parish

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Hanna Daigle, E. J. Sam Accelerated High School  
 Lafayette Parish

Royce Hooks, Sr., Edna Karr High School, InspireNola  
 Orleans Parish

Sherre Morse, Oak High School  
 Rapides Parish

Carol Mills, East St. John High School  
 St. John the Baptist Parish

Robin Valerius, Destrehan High School  
 St. Charles Parish



This newsletter is the work of many LSCA members! While we thank EVERYONE for their excellent articles, there are four very important volunteers who always work quietly in the background: Claire Barry, Dr. Wendy Rock, Cathy Smith and Katherine Wolf! When Claire, Wendy, and Katherine, complete proofreading, and I have made the needed corrections, our Technology/Website Chair, Cathy Smith posts your newsletter on the LSCA website. On behalf of all of LSCA, we all **appreciate this committee's meticulous work! I couldn't do this without them.**



**LSCA Is Your Primary Division, Right?**

*Jill Lockhart, LSCA Treasurer*

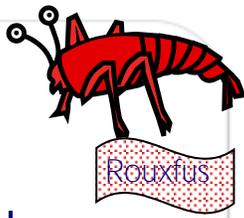


When you register for the LCA Fall Conference, be sure to list LSCA as your PRIMARY Division! When you do this, you will increase the amount of the rebate LSCA will receive after the conference.

Each year, after the expenses of the conference is deducted, LCA transfers a share of the profits to each of the divisions. The amount we receive is based on the number of members who attended the conference AND listed LSCA as the primary division.

Doing this helps LSCA keep your membership fee low and allows us to offer great member benefits!





# Cajun Counselor

The Cajun Counselor is the quarterly newsletter of the Louisiana School Counselor Association, LSCA. LSCA is the state branch of the American School Counselor Association, ASCA. LSCA is also the largest division in LCA, the Louisiana Counseling Association. Total LSCA membership now exceeds 900 members statewide.

Please submit articles to Vinetta Frie, Newsletter Editor, via her email, [frienews@yahoo.com](mailto:frienews@yahoo.com). Please include LSCA Cajun Counselor in subject line. Next deadline:

October 26, 2018

## Louisiana School Counselor Association's Leadership Roster for 2018-2019

### Elected & Appointed Officers

- Denise Latour, *President*  
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- Royce Hooks, *Past-President*  
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- Veronica Douglas, *President Elect*  
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- Dr. Dymphna Davis, *Middle Level VP*  
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Dr. Wendy Rock,\* *Research Grant & Scholarship Chair*

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### Committee Chairs

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