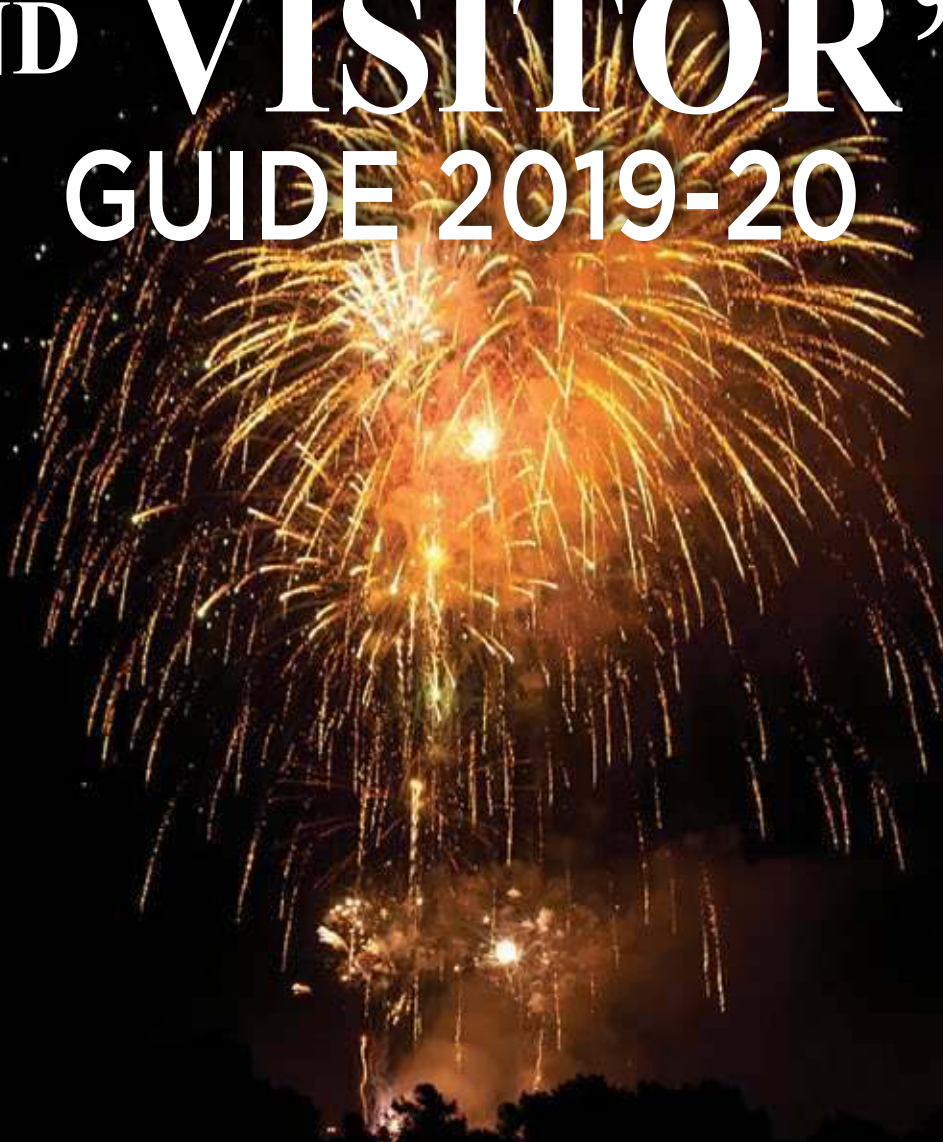


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**ON THE COVER:**

The annual Fourth of July firework show on Lake D'Arbonne has become a traditional part of summertime fun in Union Parish.

Photo by Dusty Alford

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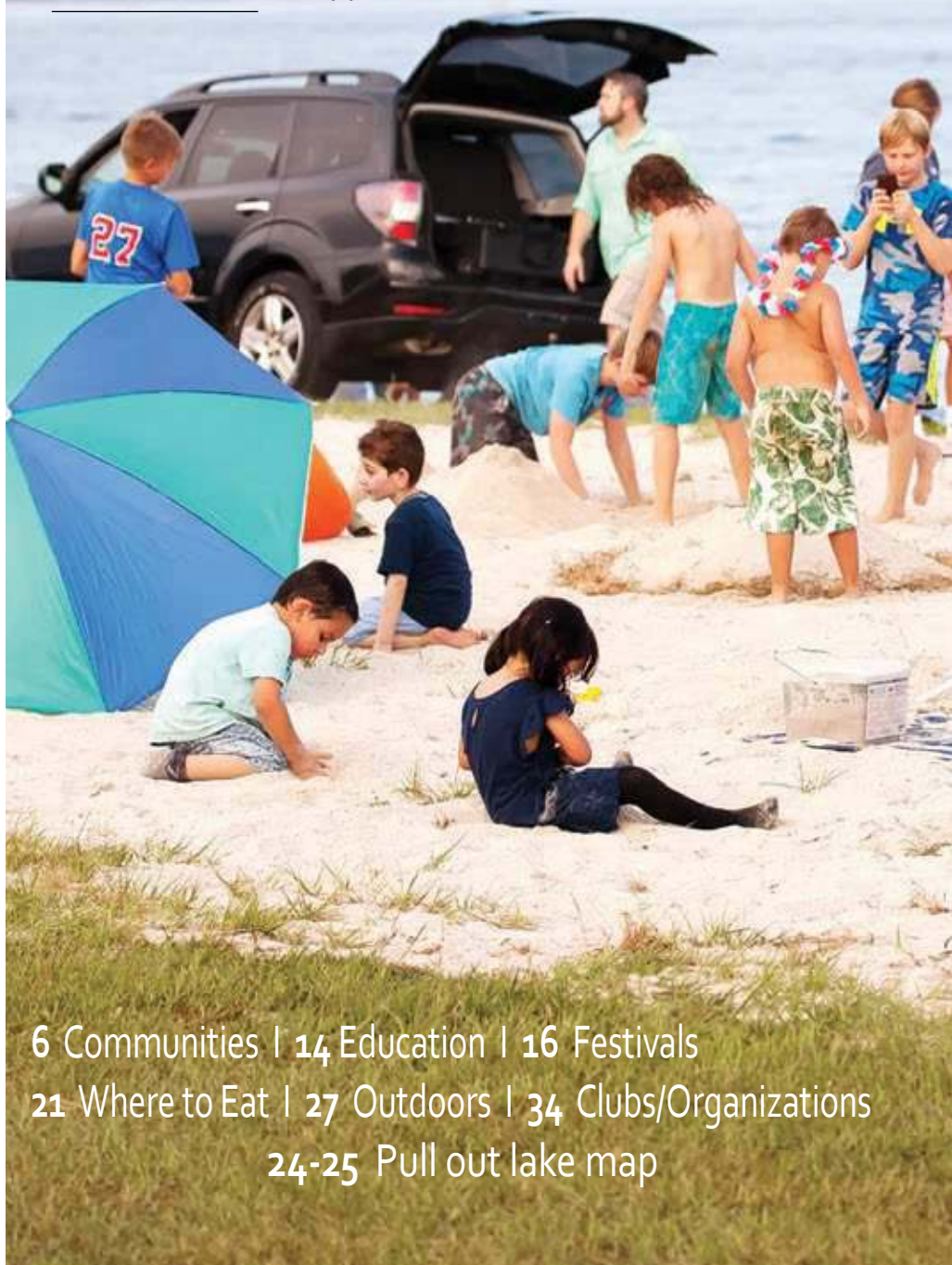
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# Fireworks over Lake D'Arbonne

Beginning at 9 p.m.



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# Welcome Home to Union Parish.....

In the world of technology, cell phones and laptops, we have discovered that we can live anywhere and still conduct business locally, nationally and even around the world.

More and more, young couples and business people are looking forward to early retirement and even golden parachutes. Why not take advantage of your opportunities and come home to Union Parish and its nationally known Lake D'Arbonne in northeast Louisiana.

Union Parish is known for its natural resources including five scenic rivers and waterways; including its crown jewel, Lake D'Arbonne, which covers 15,000 acres and 150 miles of shoreline. Lake D'Arbonne has gained national recognition as evidenced by two major crappie fishing tournaments (American Crappie Trail National Tournament and Crappie Masters) were held this year on our lake, with teams participating from 15 states. National champion Jeff Riddle even stated on national TV, "Lake D'Arbonne is the best crappie fishing lake I've ever expe-

rienced in my life."

This year, Louisiana Delta Community College opened a new campus located in the parish seat of Farmerville. Delta is an open-admissions college offering multiple paths to higher education, career, and personal fulfillment. Delta prides itself on offering a friendly, student-centered learning environment where their students can flourish.

Delta invites you to explore their academic offerings and admissions options on your way towards professional and personal growth. We hope that you will find Louisiana Delta Community College to be the ideal place to start and go anywhere!

We also have excellent primary and secondary educational facilities, including two new state-of-the-art schools, Union Parish High School and D'Arbonne Woods Charter School. Plus, newly remodeled Downsview Community Charter School and Union Christian Academy.

Our parish seat Farmerville has three major downtown revitaliza-

tion projects scheduled to start this fall, including new sidewalks, lighting and safety features.

The local economy is experiencing growth, with expansion of existing businesses and with new businesses moving into the parish. Major commercial construction projects are underway with scheduled completion this fall.

We have a beautiful Lake D'Arbonne State Park (655 acres) which lies in timbered, hilly terrain adjacent to Lake D'Arbonne, where you can enjoy its wonderful natural resources, including fishing, camping, hiking, kayaking and canoeing.

Union Parish is the seventh largest parish in Louisiana hosting many festivals scattered across the parish, including D'Arbonne Festival and Fireworks, Watermelon Festival, Mayhaw Festival, Corney Creek Festival, Christmas on the Square and many more than we can list. Each event has many vendors targeting young and old alike.

Antique shops, general stores, clothing and specialty boutiques surround the courthouse square and are located throughout town.

Did we mention food?

Union Parish features great Cajun seafood, real Italian, BBQ, lots of plate lunches and downhome cooking. (A complete listing of Chamber member businesses can be found in the back of this visitor's guide.)

We invite you to come visit our little "piece of Heaven," experience the simpler times of our childhood and stay for a weekend or lifetime. And remember, "You can always come home to Union Parish!"

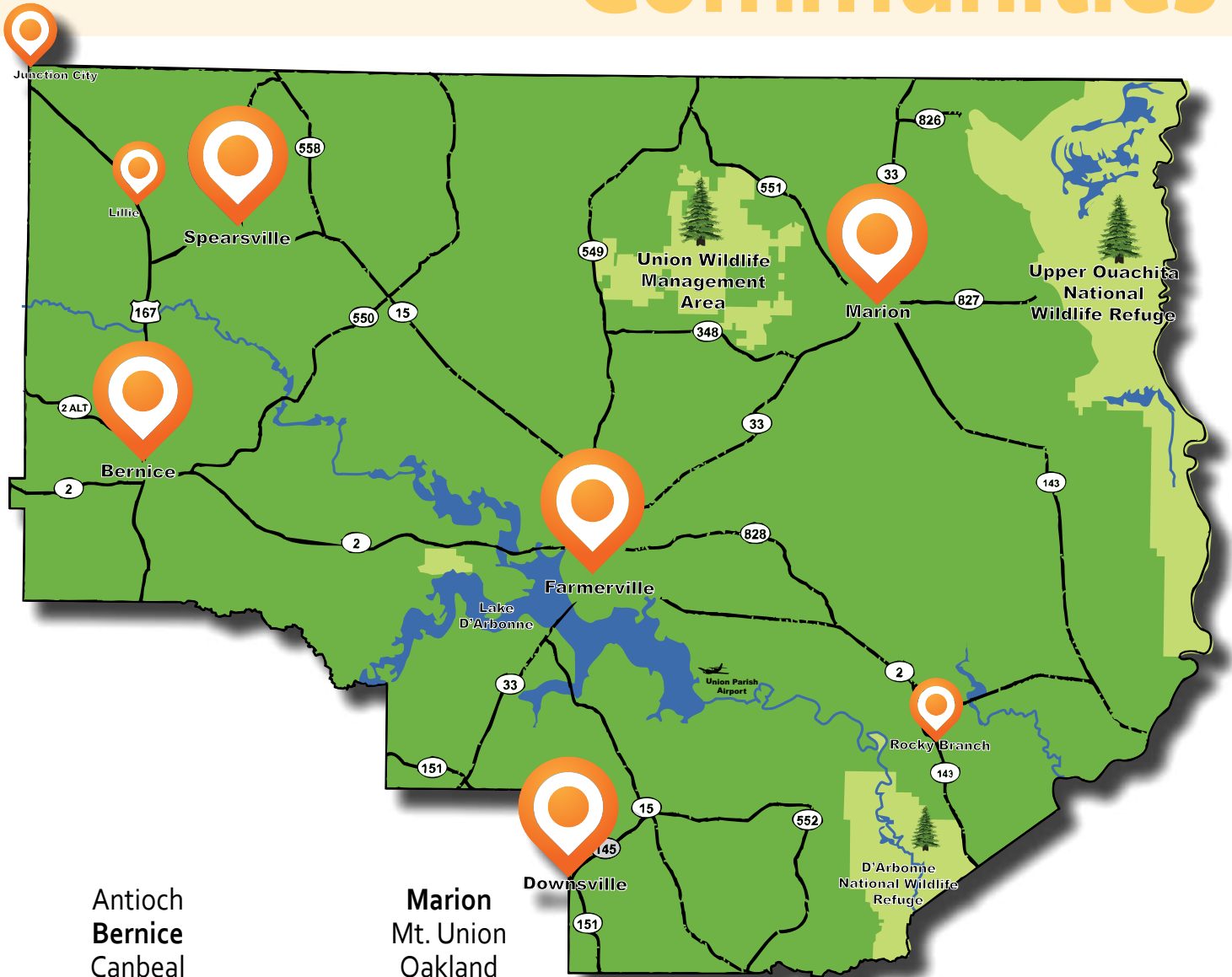
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# Communities



Antioch  
**Bernice**  
 Canbeal  
 Crossroads  
 Conway  
 Dean  
 DeLoutre  
**Downsville**  
 Evergreen  
**Farmerville**  
 Haile  
**Junction City**  
 Litroe  
 Laran  
**Lillie**  
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**Marion**  
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 Point  
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 Randolph  
**Rocky Branch**  
 Sadie  
 Salem  
 Shiloh  
**Spearsville**  
 Spencer  
 Taylorville  
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 Weldon  
 Wilhite

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 292.5703  
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# Town of Farmerville

## Letter from the Mayor

Farmerville is the largest town and parish seat of Union Parish. It is located in the North Central region of the state, about 20 miles from Interstate 20, in the heart of Louisiana's "Sportsman's Paradise." The terrain is hilly and its pine trees grow tall.

Farmerville is considered a rural community, but it is a very friendly town with a population of 3,800 proud residents. Downtown you will find a well manicured Court House Square, shops, banks, office buildings, restaurants and a first class public library. Over the last several years, Farmerville has been expanding along Louisiana Highway 2, where you'll find shopping centers, big box retailers, and restaurants lining both sides of the street and is now expanding south on Hwy 33.

Fishing, water sports and hunting are five-star activities in Union Parish, whose pride and joy is beautiful Lake D'Arbonne, a 15,000-acre lake filled with bass, crappie, bream and catfish. Farmerville is also most fortunate to have Lake D'Arbonne State Park located just a short drive from town.

Many visitors come to the state park because of its clean, cozy cabins, RV accommodations, tennis courts, fishing piers, boat and canoe rentals, swimming pool, meeting rooms and pavilions. Another favorite with visitors is Lake D'Arbonne Country Club and Golf Course, sporting one of the best-groomed 9-hole courses in the state.

In addition to retail, healthcare and education; timber, agriculture and recreation are the top industries here in Union Parish. Foster Farms chicken plant is by far the largest employer, pro-

viding some 1,300 jobs.

The premier festival salutes another mainstay of regional agriculture. The Louisiana Watermelon Festival is held the last weekend of July, and is hosted by the Farmerville Jaycees.

The people of Union Parish are a people of faith. Religion is a tradition that runs deep in its communities, and there is a wide variety of churches and denominations to accommodate your beliefs. You will not find it difficult to select a church and a congregation that you and your family will enjoy being a part of.

In the year 1790, the first grant of land in the territory of Union Parish was made by the Spanish government to a trapper, John Honeycutt. He settled in the land that was full of wildlife and ideal for his trade. After he had received his land grant, he began to eke out his living here with only Indians as his neighbors.

Then, one day a few years later, after he first entered this section, he met a roving band of Indians who told him of another family that had settled in this territory. Putting his coonskin cap on his head, and with his flint-lock in the crook of his arm, Honeycutt set out to follow the Indians' directions. He found an old settler by the name of Feazel with a "house full of girls." The story goes that he asked the father for the hand of one.

From Alabama, Georgia, and the Carolinas came the adventurers. Soon there were home sites along the Bayous D'Arbonne, Corny and DeLoutre, in the "Ouachita Settlements" section, as the Union Parish Territory was designat-

ed. Many coming from Alabama up the Ouachita River from Fort Miro to claim their future homes disembarked at the spot which became known as Alabama Landing, a name that still survives. A well-known location for fishing, boating and picnicking, it is about 25 miles east of Farmerville.

Not until 1839 was Union Parish created out of the northern part of Ouachita Parish, and in that year a town was laid out for the parish seat. There was some argument as to the name of the town. Matthew Wood, a first settler and president of the first police jury, donated the land, the highest spot in the parish, and many wanted to call it Woodville in his honor. Wood, however, did not wish this, and the town was named Farmerville after a family of that name, probably Miles Farmer, local planter and elder in the Baptist Church, who had helped organize the Concord Baptist Association in 1832. He was the father of J. N. Farmer, police juror and W. W. Farmer, the latter of whom was a surveyor, justice of peace, lawyer, and later lieutenant governor of the state. A monument was erected by the Louisiana Legislature in 1855, and it currently stands at his grave in the Farmerville Cemetery.

Although Farmerville was organized and plotted in 1839, it wasn't until the general assembly of 1842 that the town was granted a charter and incorporated. It operated under this charter with several amendments until the charter of 1870, under which the town operates today.

*Stein Baughman, Jr.*  
Mayor of Farmerville



Marion is one of, if not the, oldest town in Union Parish and was settled by pioneers from Alabama and named after Marion, Alabama, which was the old hometown of Marion's first settlers.

The earliest known family was the David Stewart family. In 1832, they built a log cabin four miles south of present day Marion. Other early families were the Whittles, the Repponds, and the Brians. The greatest influx of settlers was in the 1830s. The first record of land sale was on June 13, 1839. The land was sold to Pascal Traylor by the United States Land Office for \$379. This area of land is now the center of town.

Other families before 1850 were the John Traylor, the Powells, the Larkins, the Georges, the Greens, the Lunsfords, the Adamsses, the Cooks, the Hills, and the Thomases.

The Marion Post Office was originally opened on March 18, 1846. It was discontinued in 1867, then reopened in 1869. The Marion Post Office has operated continuously since 1869. Marion has many churches, the Methodists, the Baptist, Assembly of God, Marion Baptist and Steadfast Love Ministries. Marion State Bank was chartered on February 7, 1907. Marion State Bank has been serving customers with branches in Marion, Farmerville, Sterlington, Monroe and West Monroe. They have ATMs located in Marion, Farmerville,

# Town of Marion

Sterlington, Bernice and West Monroe. Marion State Bank has been "growing by helping others grow" for more than 100 years.

The Marion Mayhaw Festival began in 1982. The first sponsors were the Marion Jaycees. The 36th annual festival took place on May 12-13, Mother's Day weekend. The festival begins on Friday night with a street dance. Saturday's events include a parade followed by games and contests for children and adults. Each year there is a Mayhaw Jelly cooking contest as well as a treasure hunt. There is always plenty of good food and fun for everyone to enjoy at the Marion Mayhaw Festival.

Famous people from Marion include John David Crow who was born in Marion in July 1935 and was the Heisman Trophy winner in 1957 at Texas A&M as a running back/halfback. He also played professionally for Chicago/St. Louis Cardinals from 1958-1964 and San Francisco 49ers from 1965-1968. He was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1976. He led the NFL in rushing average (5.9) and yards from scrimmage (1,533) in 1960.

Bobby Joe Douglas, a Marion High

graduate (1976-80), was a standout basketball player. During his four-year career he scored 4,070 points, which currently ranks 10th on the all-time national list. During the 1979 season, Douglas averaged 54 points per game. This still stands, a national high school record. That same year he scored 93 points in one game with the score ending 114-44.

George Harmon Smith is an internationally recognized novelist. His most successful book, "Bayou Boy," garnered 15 major awards and three of his books were made into movies. He was inducted into the Louisiana Historical Hall of Fame in 1983. His books are in the University Archives at Louisiana Tech University and Utah State University. He served three consecutive terms as Mayor of Marion and was also the principal of Marion High School.

Grady A. Dugas, M.D., was a Marion physician who invented the "Safer Automatic Wheelchair Wheel Locks," a patented device designed for those who sometimes forget to lock their wheelchairs. For four decades Dugas was engaged in a family medical practice in Marion.

## TOWN OF MARION

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# Town of Bernice

Bernice is a small, vibrant community in North Central Louisiana with much to see and offer. With a population of 1,689 people,\* the incorporated area is about three square miles.

Bernice, established in 1899, is located 15 miles south of the Arkansas state line in Union Parish. The business district is bisected by US Highway 167, North and South, and Louisiana Highway 2, East and West. Bernice is 20 miles north of Interstate 20 in Ruston, Louisiana.

Bernice, known as 'The Gateway to Union Parish and Lake D'Arbonne,' is in the heart of a recreational area, bound by 20,000 acres of lakes including Lake D'Arbonne, Lake Claiborne, and Corney Lake, as well as Lake D'Arbonne State Park, 10 miles, Lake Claiborne State Park, 13 miles, and Corney Creek Lake and Dam, 5 miles. The area is rich with natural resources such as excellent public and private hunting lands for deer, wild turkeys, squirrels, rabbits, ducks and feral hogs and fishing areas.

Bernice is also home of the Corney Creek Great Outdoor Festival every April. Bernice extends the invitation to visit the Bernice Depot Museum and Captain Henderson Caboose. Also, stop by the Town Hall to visit and have a cup of coffee. The Tourist Center is located directly beside the Town Hall.

Bernice also boasts a 160-acre industrial park complete with water, sewer, gas and three-phase electricity which is managed by the Bernice Industrial Development Corporation (BIDCO).

Bernice is also the hometown of former NBA basketball star Willis Reed, who starred at nearby Grambling State and the New York Knicks (1964-1974).

Reed was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. In 1997, he was voted one of the "50 Greatest Players in NBA History."

Bernice is also the birth place of A&E "Duck Dynasty" star Willie Robertson.

*\*2010 U.S. Census Bureau*

# Village of Downsville

The Village of Downsville, established in the 1840s, is located in both Union and Lincoln parishes. The population as of the 2010 census was 143.

The quiet hamlet features clean, safe country living with quick access to the surrounding areas of Monroe, Ruston and Farmerville.

The main highways are 145 and 151 and the two top attractions are Bryan Park and Wild Wings shooting range.

# Village of Spearsville

The Village of Spearsville is home to 137 residents, according to the 2010 U.S. Census Bureau.

The quiet hamlet features clean, safe country living with quick access to the surrounding areas of Farmerville, Ruston and El Dorado, Ark.

The main highways are La. 15 and 3121.



## Historical Sites of Union Parish Hopkins House



Known as "The Hopkins House" (Circa 1850), was built by Reverend Elias George, a pioneer Baptist Minister. One of his servants, John Thomas, a master carpenter, selected highly skilled workers for the massive construction project. Their superior skills are still very evident today, for the old two-story house is still standing tall today 169 years later!

The Hopkins House is a unique Caroline I style and listed on the National Register of Historic Homes. Danny A. and Ann Smith have restored the old stately home and they absolutely love living in it and enjoy exploring the spacious grounds!

It was here that Anna Porter Harrison and her Mother boarded with the George family. Ms. Harrison taught school and Porter taught music. Porter fell in love with a local young man named Miles Goldsby. Soon afterwards, Ms. Harrison decided she and her daughter needed to leave Marion due to their courtship which often took place at dusk of day. As a result of their departure, Anna Porter left her heart behind and thus inspired her to put to music an old poem.

Immediately afterwards the popular ballad "In the Gloom" was born!

# Local Public Officials

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**District Judge - Division B**  
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**District Judge - Division C**  
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**District Attorney**  
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**Union Parish Sheriff**  
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**Union Parish Assessor**  
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Abbie Albritton Moon

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Farmerville- District 6  
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Sterlington - District 8  
Clyde Hays  
Bernice - District 9

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Town Clerk Lana Patton

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PAFFORD EMS - FARMERVILLE STATION	368.0543	FARMERVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT	368.2226
UNION PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE	368.3124	MARION POLICE DEPARTMENT	292.4715
BERNICE FIRE DEPARTMENT	285.9933	SPEARSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT	778.4278
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THERAPY

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FARMERVILLE, LA 71241  
318.368.9745

**MOREHOUSE COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTER**  
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MARION, LA 71260  
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**UNION PARISH HEALTH UNIT**  
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FARMERVILLE, LA 71241  
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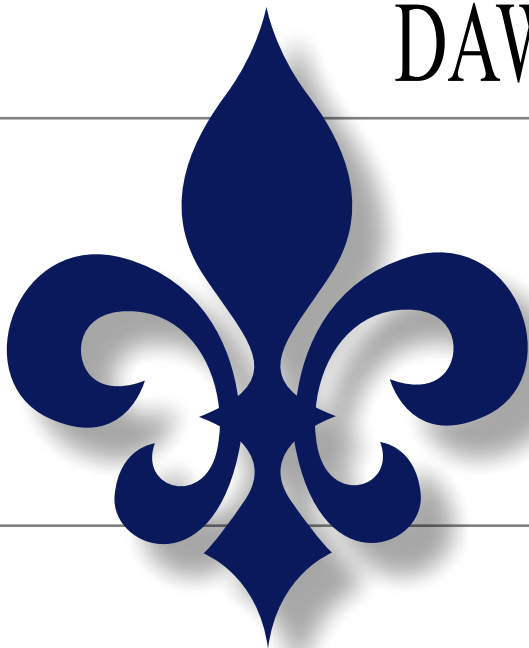


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By Claudia Wade

# Education

## Downsville Community Charter School

Downsville Community Charter School is a Pre K-12 configuration.

Enrollment has increased with emphasis on curriculum rigor and higher student performance. The addition of a dual enrollment program in partnership with Louisiana Tech University, as well as offering Advanced Placement Courses (AP) in English, Math, and Science has also helped boost enrollment.

Downsville Community Charter School also offers extracurricular activities such as basketball, softball, baseball and tennis. Downsville Community Charter School is a member of the Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LH-SAA).

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UCA's curriculum integrates biblical truth with college preparatory academia to insure students develop critical thinking, a love of learning, and the skills needed to face the challenges of life. With a combination of carefully selected Christian and secular textbooks, our curriculum encourages students to obtain their full potential, inside the classroom and beyond. UCA also offers additional enrichment experiences outside the traditional learning environment.

UCA follows academic standards required by the Louisiana TOPS University Diploma, which creates scholarship opportunities. UCA offers dual enrollment courses through Louisiana Tech taught by highly qualified UCA teachers that allow our students to receive college and high school credit. Likewise, ACT scores for university bound students average 24 with a high score of 33 over the last three graduat-

ing classes.

Elementary students in grades Pre-K3 - 6th are taught with Bob Jones University Press, Abeka, and Saxon Math curriculums. Teachers engage students with age-appropriate content and help them develop the ability to analyze and critically evaluate ideas with a Biblical worldview.

In addition to our fundamentally sound academics, UCA offers a strong Liberal Arts program to include: music, art, and drama. These offerings develop graduates who minister in local community churches and other Christian outreach organizations, showing the true meaning of the "body of Christ." Opportunities for athletics include: football, softball, cheerleading, basketball, baseball, and track. Early childhood screening and instruction for students with dyslexic tendencies, private piano, group keyboard, private voice lessons, and after-school care are all offered at an additional charge.

On Wednesday chapel services, all students enjoy the opportunity to worship through music and the Word. During the spring, seventh - 12th grade

students participate in Spiritual Emphasis Week (SEW). In 2019, the focus of SEW was "UNITY" based on Psalm 133:1. During this week, students and faculty members participate in games, worship, teachings, and accountability groups. Spiritual Emphasis Week encourages students to grow in their relationships with each other and with Christ.

Founded in 2000, UCA is governed by a board of directors elected by parents of the student body. We are approved by the state of Louisiana and accredited with the Mississippi Association of Independent Schools and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.



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Union Christian Academy does not discriminate in the administration of its admissions policies regarding color, race, or national origin.

# Festivals

## 57th Annual Louisiana Watermelon Festival

July 24-25, 2020

Farmerville, LA

Founded by the Farmerville Jaycees in 1963, the Louisiana Watermelon Festival is held in Farmerville, Louisiana annually the last weekend in July.

The Watermelon Festival is celebrated each year as a way of promoting the watermelon industry and showing pride in their harvest.

Friday's events include a tennis tournament, bicycle and tricycle races, arm wrestling contest, watermelon eating and seed spitting contests, a best-dressed watermelon competition and a street dance. During these activities, arts and craft vendors, food and games are open on the Courthouse Square.

Events on Saturday begin with a breakfast for the growers entering their watermelons in the size and quality contests. Watermelons entered in the size contest are judged strictly on the basis of weight. The heaviest three watermelons in each category are then auctioned to the public. Quality contest watermelons are judged at the Union Parish Extension Service by measuring sugar content of the watermelons with a refractometer.

At 9 a.m. Saturday, the festival parade begins at the old Union Parish High School and travels down Main Street before circling a block and returning to the high school. All day, vendors are open on the Courthouse Square. The watermelon auction begins at 10 a.m. on the Courthouse Square. The Miss Louisiana Watermelon Festival contestants, along with reigning and visiting queens, greet the public beginning at noon.







April 17-18, 2020

Bernice, LA

The Corney Creek Great Outdoors Festival has a number of names since the first event was held under the banner of the Bi-Centennial Festival in 1976.

What hasn't changed is the date – the third weekend in April every year.

The festival is held the third weekend in April each year in Bernice.

The festival lasts for two days. It begins Friday evening at 5 p.m. and goes to 11 p.m. On Saturday it starts at 9 a.m. and concludes at 11 p.m. Food booths, arts and crafts, music, a poker run and many other events take place.

See more at: [www.louisiana-travel.com/la-events/corney-creek-great-outdoors-festival](http://www.louisiana-travel.com/la-events/corney-creek-great-outdoors-festival).

# Corney Creek Great Outdoors Festival







May 8-9, 2020

Marion, LA

# Annual Marion Mayhaw Festival

The Marion Mayhaw Festival began in 1982. The first sponsors were the Marion Jaycees. The 38th annual festival took place on May 10-11, 2019. The festival is now sponsored by the Marion Fire Department. The Mayhaw Festival is held on the second weekend of May each year, usually falling on Mother's Day weekend.

Friday night kicks off the festival with a street dance in the parking lot of Marion State Bank. Bring your lawn chairs and dancing shoes to join in the fun! If you're not one for dancing, don't worry, there is plenty of food available provided by early vendors. Saturday's festivities begin with a parade. Four wheelers, horses, floats, golf carts, and classic cars are all welcome. Bring the kids early to catch all the action with fire trucks, police cars, the Barak Shriners in their mini cars and local businesses tossing candy and prizes from floats.

Throughout the day on Saturday, the crowd is entertained by various singers, dancers, cloggers, choirs, and other talent. Activities for all ages happen all day Saturday.

A treasure hunt, egg toss and mayhaw jelly cooking contest are just a few of the activities you can participate in.

There will be tons of arts and crafts booths for you to browse. We've got everything from woodworks to jewelry to candles to hand-painted items and much more. Find the perfect unique Mother's Day gift.

Don't forget to stop by our many food vendors' booths as well. Bar-B-Que, fried fish, chicken on a stick, sno-cones, crawfish, and funnel cakes to name a few dishes. Eat lunch at the festival and take some home for supper.

No matter what you're interested in, you won't be disappointed if you come to the Marion Mayhaw Festival.



For our northern neighbors, a definition may be in order. The mayhaw tree is in the Hawthorn family, a distant cousin of the rose. It grows near streams and swamplands bearing fruit that looks like small crabapples. The mayhaw is found in the Southern United States from East Texas to the panhandle of Florida. The heaviest concentrations of native mayhaw trees are found in Grant Parish, Louisiana, near Winnie, Texas and in the Pearl River swamps of Mississippi. The mild difficulty of harvesting wild mayhaw fruit (have your boat handy) is more than compensated by the distinct flavor of the jam, jellies, wines and cakes derived from this unassuming southern delight. One taste and you'll understand why we devote an entire festival to this fruit!

## May•haw

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# Angling to help special needs kids

## **C.A.S.T. event teaches fishing, fun**

For many children living in the Sportsman's Paradise of Louisiana, fishing is a big part of summer activities.

But for some other children, fishing doesn't come so easy.

That's where C.A.S.T. (which stands for Catch A Special Thrill) for Kids comes in.

The national C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation enriches the lives of children with special needs, supports their families, and strengthens communities through the sport of fishing.

On Aug. 10, the third annual C.A.S.T. for Kids event was held at D'Arbonne Pointe on Lake D'Arbonne, with 17 Louisiana special needs children reeling in both fun and love.

"Many of the children don't get the opportunity to fish, so this event allows us to introduce them to the sport of fishing," said Brandon Jennings, Louisiana Coordinator for C.A.S.T. For Kids.

"A lot of times people go to an activity that's not based for special needs children, and the children and their parents ending up feeling left out. This event is the opposite — it's for those children that need special attention."

The socialization aspect of the event is also important for the children and their parents.

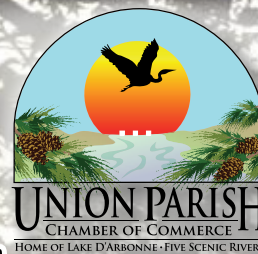
"Parents can bring their kid here and it's not a struggle — they know the children are going to be taken care of and they can relax and enjoy their day," Jennings said. "It's a good chance for both kids and parents to meet new friends they can relate to because they go through the same kinds of things."

— T. Scott Boatright





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# Lessons from the past

## Larce Holder leaves lasting legacy for Union Parish

— T. Scott Boatright

Some people simply naturally seem larger than life. Late longtime Farmerville resident Larce Holder was one of those people — someone who will leave a lasting impression and legacy long after they're gone.

"He was like Forrest Gump and Indiana Jones all wrapped up into one person," said longtime friend Lisa Crow. "He could do anything and everything. We're talking about a man who earned a black belt in karate at the age of 60."

An outstanding outdoorsman, Holder found himself in a "Sportsman's Paradise" in the piney hills of Union Parish, and as someone known as "Farmerville's Renaissance Man," he spent much time molding young men into the kind of people and leaders our nation needs and preparing them for their lives ahead.

Holder, who passed away at the age of 98 on June 17, 2019, at the War Veterans Home in Monroe, was a self-made man. Born in 1921, Holder was only 8 years old when the Great Depression struck our country and taught him at a young age about the frugality that could become a cornerstone of his life and something he passed on to future generations that learned from him.

In the Army during WWII, Holder served in a cartography unit.

"He was a photographer, too, and I've seen pictures he took of bombs being dropped from bombers," Lisa Crow said.

This had a lasting effect on a creative mind from the hills of rural North Louisiana and helped turned Holder's passion for art and photography into a career. Following the war he used his GI bill to obtain an art degree from Louisiana Tech.

For many years Holder and his late wife Sadie, who died in 2018,



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**Sadie and Larce Holder are pictured in the yard of their Farmerville home.**

owned Creative Photo and Art Studio where Holder was a professional photographer and they both taught art classes.

In 1970 he started the art department at Cedar Creek School in Ruston and taught fine art and industrial art there for 21 years.

But art wasn't Holder's only passion. He also had a love for the outdoors and nature and passing that

love on to the scouts that learned from him.

It was a love Holder learned at a young age himself. He attended the first-ever scout jamboree where he met the founder of the Boy Scouts, Lord Baden-Powell.

What he learned as a young scout stuck with Holder the rest of his life, and his association with mountain men of the past as well as Indians



of a forgotten frontier went much farther than reading books and dreaming. Among his friends was Fred Bear, early archery pioneer and founder of Fred Bear Archery. Holder learned to walk the walk and live his life the way outdoorsmen like Bear did. That love of bow hunting he picked up a young age was passed on to his scouts, who would routinely go bow hunting on campouts under Holder's guidance.

Retired U.S. District Court judge Robbie James grew up in Farmerville and became an Eagle Scout under Holder's guidance.

"I knew all about Mr. Holder even before becoming a Boy Scout because I had two older cousins in scouting who talked about him all the time, and my father was also a friend of his.

"It was probably 10 or 15 years ago I was talking to someone about Mr. Holder and that person said that the thing that made Mr. Holder special is that he had a unique ability to relate to young people no matter who or what they were — rich or poor, smart or not so much so — he had that ability to make young people feel like they were heard."

James said one of the more fascinating things about Holder was the fact he knew so much about so many things.

"We all learned so much from him," James said. "In scouting, we had a topic he focused on every month. In January it might be astronomy because the clear and cold nights made for the best stargazing. In February it might be cooking — learning how to bake breads while camping and that kind of thing. Then in March and April it might be camping. And during the summer of course it was things like aquatics and canoeing. He had so much knowledge and knew how to make you relate to it."

Another key quality James said Holder had was patience.

"He was a patient man willing to devote the time needed to really teach young people about things," James said. "It's funny, because so times other adults might have gotten a little frustrated talking



**Larce and Sadie Holder are pictured with a painting he did of the old Union Parish Courthouse that stands in the current Union Parish Courthouse.**

Submitted photo

to Mr. Holder because he was very thorough explaining whatever it was he was talking about. He would patiently teach things, but you had to be a patient listener because he told you about all the intricacies and hows and whys. And sometimes other adults didn't have that kind of patience to be able to relate and learn from him."

Holder didn't only have much knowledge — he had many abilities, too.

"There's nothing he couldn't do with his hands. He was a great wood carver. He was a good carpenter. He worked on his own cars. He made his own bow and arrows.

"His grandfather had been a stone carver making gravestones and things like that, and Mr. Holder had that ability, too. That grandfather had some American Indian in him, too, and was a big influence on Mr. Holder. So Mr. Holder could chip flint and make his own arrowheads, too."

But despite all that knowledge and ability, James said Holder didn't get caught up in himself.

"Mr. Holder was a man of simple means," James said. "Very grounded and down to earth."

Holder also did much work on the homes he lived in.

"He did all the plumbing in the house we bought from him," John Crow said. "He was an amazing man

— truly special."

Holder could also be somewhat of a pack rat.

"He never threw anything away," James said. "He kept a sling shot he had used as a young child. He kept the first fishing lure he ever had. He had all kinds of these little treasures that fascinated many of us."

Holder's daughter Lenece Cavalier said her father was also blessed to have a foundation that kept him firmly grounded in everything he did — her mother, Sadie Nelson Holder, who was Holder's second wife.

"She was one of those strong southern women with a backbone of steel," Cavalier said. "They were very much a duo."

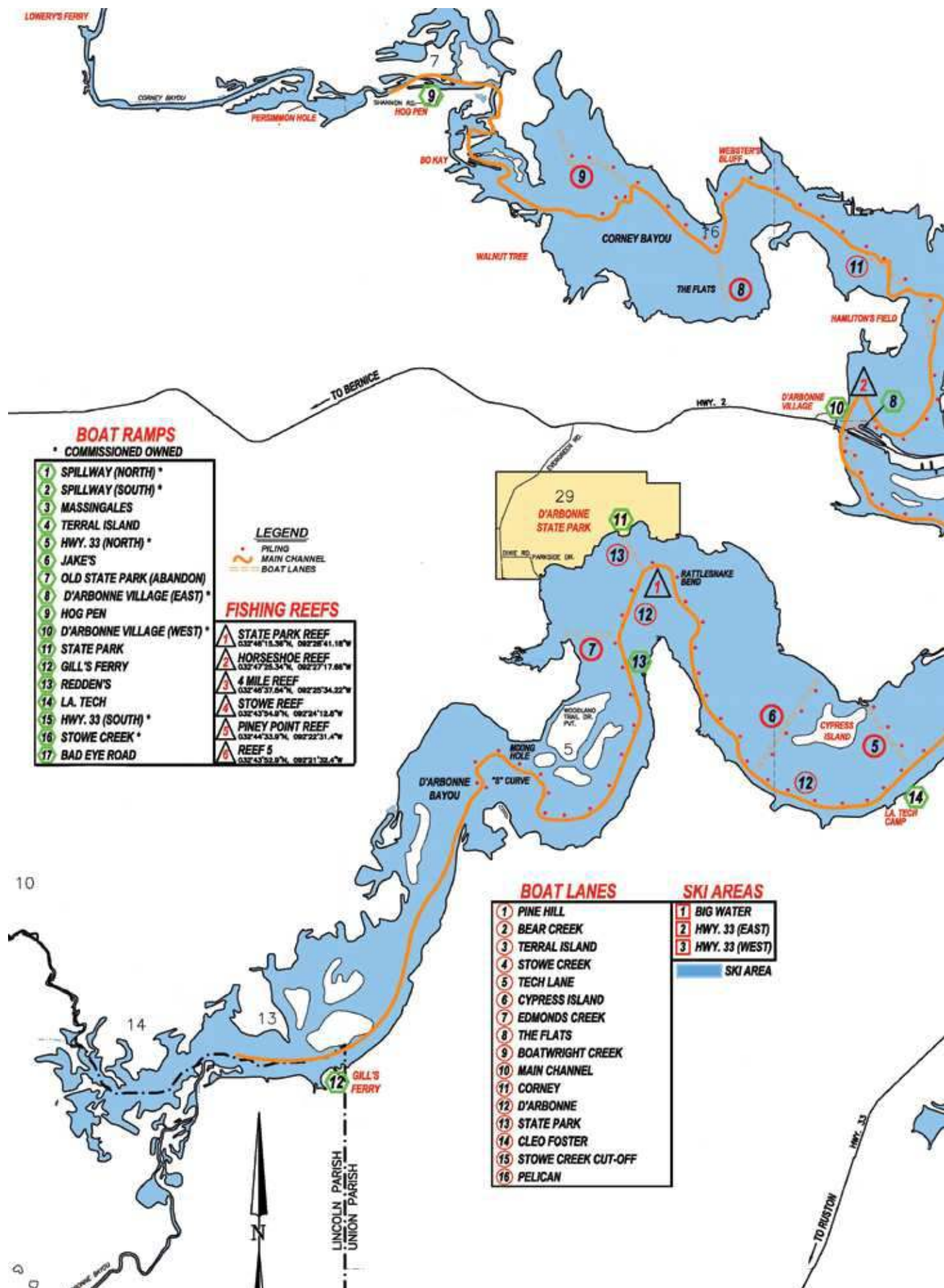
When Holder was Scoutmaster, Troop 16 ended its weekly meetings by closing with the Scout Prayer. Scouts formed a circle with their left hand on the right shoulder of the person next to them, right hands raised in the scout salute and heads bowed. One scout would lead off the prayer ...

"And Now,

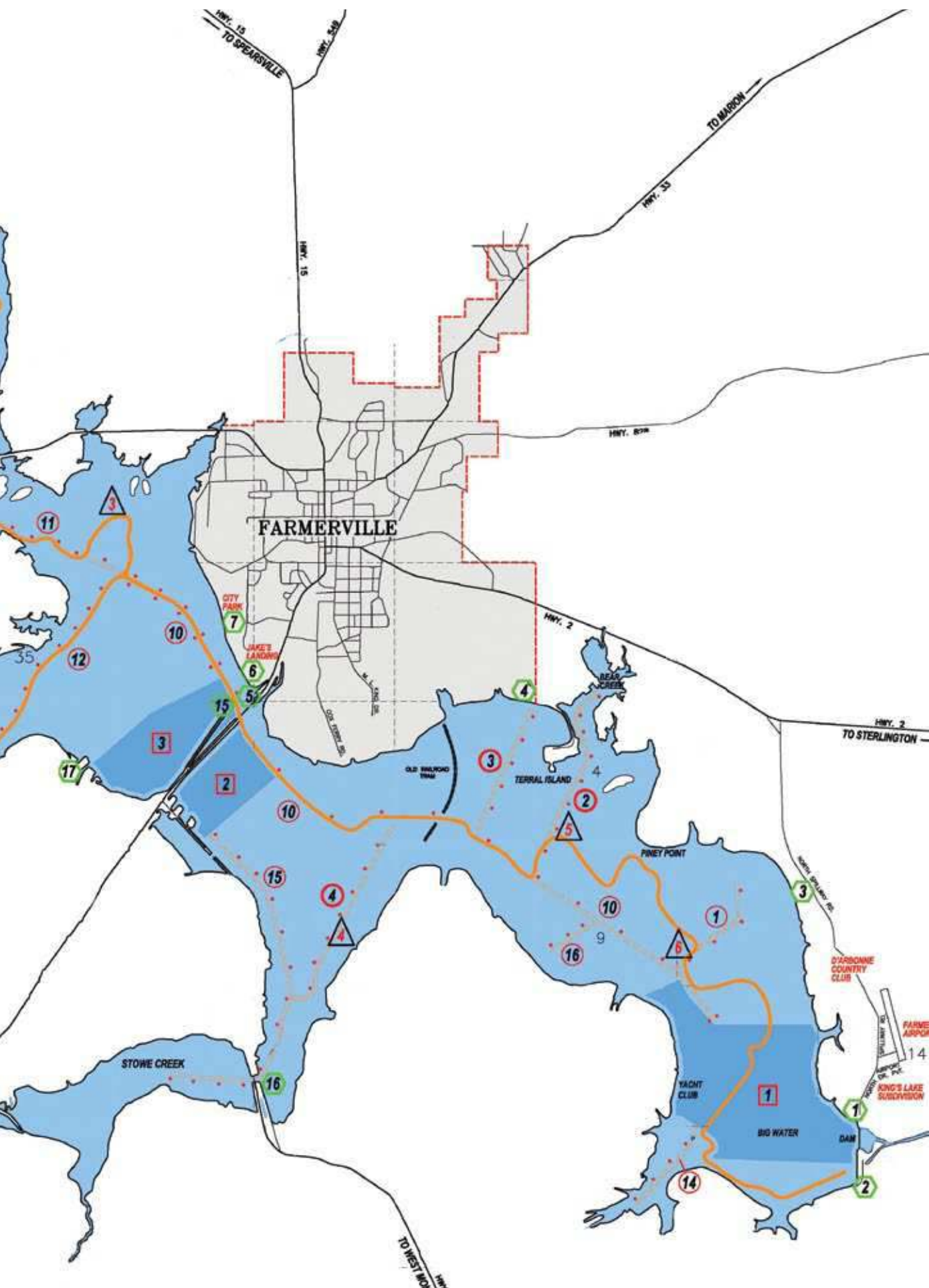
May the Great Scout Master, Of all Good Scouts,

Be with Us, Until We Meet Again,  
And May We Follow the Trail,  
That Leads to Him,  
Amen."

That seems a fitting farewell for Farmerville's Renaissance man.







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# Outdoors

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for map of Lake D'Arbonne*

## Lake D'Arbonne



Lake D'Arbonne is located near and around the town of Farmerville. It is a popular man-made fishing area that has a combined estimated area of 15,250 acres. The lake was first conceived in 1957 and was formed in 1963.





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# Crappie tournament deemed 'epic'

Tennessee duo  
reels in national  
championship

—T. Scott Boatright

**I**f a horse race can be won by a nose, the American Crappie Trail National Championship held on Lake D'Arbonne March 28-30 was won by not much more than a fish scale.

The winning difference ended up being one one-hundredth of an ounce of crappie.

Tony Hughes and Jeff Riddle of Grossbeak, Tennessee, hauled in the national championship with the final stringer weighing 11.27 for a total of 35.94 pounds.

That edged the team of Daniel Porter of Missouri and Jeremy Aldridge of Mississippi, who weighed in the same number of fish at a total weight of 35.93.

Hughes and Riddle won cash and prizes, including a new fully rigged Ranger Z518 boat and Evinrude G2 150 motor worth \$50,750.

Porter and Aldridge earned \$8,300 in cash for their runners-up spot.

More than \$100,000 in cash and prizes — the biggest crappie tournament payout ever — went to the win-

ners, and the ACT Angler Team of the Year trophy was on the line, too. Sixteen states were represented in the tournament, including 15 teams from Louisiana.

"It was epic, just epic," ACT owner Matt Morgan said about the week to [lakedarbonnelife.com](http://lakedarbonnelife.com).

"I mean, really, you know. You have a three-day crappie tournament with the best crappie fishermen around and at the end of the day, it's one one-hundredth of an ounce. Oh my. What else could you want? What can I say? It was epic."

The first day of the tournament started with 80 teams while the field was cut to 50 the second day. For the final day on Saturday, only the top 25 teams survived to fish for the title.

Both the first- and second-place teams ended up moving to the same area later Saturday after not having much luck early on during the final round of fishing.

"We really thought we could catch

what we had the previous two days," Hughes said. "We had it planned out that we thought we could catch 12 pounds every day. But today started out where they wouldn't bite for us. We lost one big fish and we thought that was going to be it. We lost it."

So then Hughes and Riddle moved to another area where they found Porter and Aldridge also fishing.

"We thought first of the week that maybe we could catch 13 or better per day but the fish started spawning out," Riddle said. "Where we fished (Saturday) was a little gutsy because we hadn't been there since (the previous Saturday). So we took a gamble trying to win it and it paid off."

Ronnie Capps and Steve Coleman of Tennessee finished 13th in the tournament, good enough to earn their second straight B'n'M Angler of the Year award. That was worth a fully rigged Ranger Boat valued at \$25,975.

The top area team was Steve Periotto and Stuart Baum of Calhoun who finished with 35.52 pounds for fifth place. Matt Saterfiel and Peyton Hemphill of West Monroe finished tenth with 34.90 pounds. Other local teams finishing in the Top 25 were Heath Rogers and Lance Bilberry of Farmerville in 19th; Jason Thomas of Monroe and Scotty Johnson of Ruston in 23rd; and Palmer Frost and Billy Rogers of Downsville in 24th.



Confetti rained down as Tony Hughes, left, and Jeff Riddle of Grossbeak, Tennessee, lifted their first-place trophies at the American Crappie Trail National Championship final weigh-in held on March 30 at Railroad Park in Ruston.





# D'Arbonne National Wildlife Refuge

D'Arbonne National Wildlife Refuge, located north of West Monroe, Louisiana, lies on the western edge of the Mississippi Alluvial Valley.

It was established in 1975 to protect bottomland hardwoods and provide wintering habitat for migratory waterfowl. Additionally the refuge provides habitat for alligators, bald eagles, the little known Rafinesque's big-eared bat and the endangered red-cockaded woodpecker. The refuge is bisected by 13 miles of Bayou D'Arbonne, a stream in the Louisiana Natural and Scenic Rivers System, and is crisscrossed by numerous

## Getting There . . .

D'Arbonne National Wildlife Refuge is located in Ouachita and Union Parishes on either side of Bayou D'Arbonne near its confluence with the Ouachita River. Take White's Ferry Road (Louisiana 143) north out of West Monroe. This highway forms the eastern refuge boundary and there are seven access points with parking lots along the highway. The refuge complex headquarters is approximately 7 miles north of West Monroe at the intersection of Louisiana 143 and Holland's Bluff Road.



creeks, sloughs and oxbow lakes. Cypress swamps, bottomland hardwood and upland forests complete the landscape that is habitat for a diverse group of plants and animals. D'Arbonne NWR also has the national record mayhaw tree, a wetland species with fruit that makes delicious jelly. D'Arbonne is one of four refuges managed in the North Louisiana Refuges Complex.

In years of normal or above normal rainfall, the refuge's bottomland hardwood forest is a very impor-

tant overflow area for the Ouachita River basin. High water levels, which usually occur between January and May, can flood up to 87% of the refuge.

The wetland forests not only provide habitat to wetland dependent wildlife, but they also reduce damage from flooding in developed areas, they filter silt and other particles from the water, they help neutralize pollutants in the water, and they provide recharge areas for aquifers (natural underground water storage areas).

# Upper Ouachita National Wildlife Refuge

Upper Ouachita NWR, established in 1978, consists of 42,594 acres located in Union and Ouachita Parishes. The legislative purposes for the refuge are to conserve wetlands and manage for migratory birds. The refuge is bisected by the scenic Ouachita River and consists of upland pine-hardwood and bottomland hardwood forest; agriculture, moist-soil wetlands, and open water. Upper Ouachita NWR provides

excellent wintering habitat for tens of thousands of ducks and geese. The endangered red-cockaded woodpecker and the threatened Louisiana black bear are found here. Other wildlife species that call the refuge home include alligators, deer, turkey, squirrels, bald eagles and beavers. Upper Ouachita NWR is one of the five refuges managed in the North Louisiana Refuges Complex.





# Miles *of* Waterways



Bayou de L'Outre

Bayou de L'Outre or Bayou DeLoutre, is commonly referred to as "The Looter" by the locals.

Bayou de L'Outre's entire length (43 miles) flowing southeast from the Louisiana-Arkansas state line to its entrance into the Ouachita River is designated a scenic stream. The stream flows through a narrow band of bottomland hardwoods flanked by upland mixed pine-hardwoods and stands of loblolly pine. Since 90% of this outstanding natural resource is undeveloped, it fosters a highly natural, scenic setting. Freshwater fish and wildlife are optimum for the habitat carrying capacity. Several plant and animal species in the area are considered PRETS (Protected/rare/endorsed/threatened species). There is one prehistoric Native American site

located on the stream, and the stream merits further study. The stream offers high quality canoeing opportunities, although access to the stretch is limited to bridge crossings and a commercial landing near the Ouachita River.

It is one of the few areas in the state with exposed rock along the stream. Cougar sightings have been reported by local residents.



## Finch Lake

Finch Lake is a natural lake that was dammed up to control the water level. It is flooded annually by the Ouachita River, which adds to the great fishing. It is located in the Upper Ouachita National Wildlife Management area. This is a stumpy lake, best fished by small flat bottom aluminum boats or kayaks. This is a very nice place to paddle and there aren't any large boats because it is a stumpy lake. The small motor boats that are there go slow. The area around the lake is all natural because the lake is surrounded by the Upper Ouachita National Wildlife Management area.

The shore of the lake is surrounded by button willow and cypress trees. It is a duck sanctuary, and in the winter a paddler can get close to hundreds, sometimes thousands of ducks of all types. No guns are allowed, but a camera would be a good asset.

The lake is noted for its good fishing. Bass, bream and catfish are caught in the hot months. The locals run yo-yo's at night during the winter.







# Bryan Park

Bryan Park began as a 35.6-acre plot of land donated by Bill Bryan and Sue Bryan. It is now a wonderful blend of nature, technology and conservation that make it one of Union Parish's unique treasures.

The park, located on Louisiana 151 in Downsview, was brought to life through a \$150,000 Land and Water Conservation grant and through a lot of hard work from local youth volunteers from both AmeriCorps VISTA and WIA Summer Youth.

Bryan Park features a picturesque 2.25 acre pond, surrounded by 6,600 feet of multi-use trails, and around 40 species of trees.

Follow an easy walking trail through bottomland hardwoods and mixed pine forest around the pond, where you may sight such nesting species as Black-throated Green or Black and White Warblers, Northern Parulas, and Red-shouldered and Cooper's Hawks. Wading birds such as Great Egret, Great Blue Heron, and Green Heron also frequent the pond and the cattail perimeter hosts Red-winged Blackbirds. In the warmer months, honeysuckle attracts Ruby-throated Hummingbirds. Wetland migrants include Marsh Wren and Common Yellowthroat in the



fall and spring. In the late winter until spring, Black Vultures court and cruise. Generally, the park boundaries are alive with Woodpeckers, Eastern Bluebirds, various Sparrows, Vireos, Indigo Buntings, Eastern Meadowlarks, Bobwhites, Mourning Dove, Northern Cardinals and Blue Jays. Owls are habitués.



# Clubs/Organizations



## Bernice Business Club

Contact Eddie Lee at 318.243.8688.

## Bernice Historical Society

Contact Eddie Lee at 318.243.8688.

## Bernice Industrial Cooperation (BIDCO)

Contact Gretchen Till at 318.245.8887.

## D'Arbonne Dutch Oven Society

The D'Arbonne Dutch Oven Society meets every third Saturday of the month at the pavilion in the campground area of Lake D'Arbonne State Park. Meetings are free and open to those who want to participate or just learn more about Dutch oven cooking. Contact Kent Hogan at 318.368.8441.

## Farmerville Jaycees

The Farmerville Jaycees currently have 30 active members to help make the Watermelon Festival a success. They also host the Annual Farmerville Mardi Gras Parade and Christmas Parade. They encourage anyone 18 years of age who likes to volunteer to join.

## Firecrackers



The Firecrackers is a women's gun club who gather for shooting sports opportunities. Activities may include skeet shooting, target practice, paint ball, cowboy action shooting, and classes/trainings on firearms. It's all JUST FOR FUN! As one member put it best, "We are smiling and firing!" For more information, contact Stephanie Antley Herrmann at 318.372.3006 or email at darbonnekayak@gmail.com.

## Friends of the Library

Friends of the Union Public Library is a non-profit organization that supports the activities and programs of the Union Parish Library. Members meet quarterly and plan projects that improve the quality of the Union Parish Library. Twice annually, the Friends hold a book sale which serves as the fund-raising event for children, teens, and other special library events. For more information, visit the Union Parish Library website at [www.youseemore.com/unionparish](http://www.youseemore.com/unionparish) or call 318-368-9226.

## D'Arbonne Kayak Club

A group of paddling enthusiasts meets to kayak/canoe water trails in and around Lake D'Arbonne. Group paddles range from

short 2-4 hour trips to longer overnight paddles. Venues include area creeks, bayous, lakes, and rivers. There are no membership fees. Upcoming paddles are promoted through the local newspapers and on the Facebook page: D'Arbonne Kayak Club. For more information, email [darbonnekayak@gmail.com](mailto:darbonnekayak@gmail.com) or contact Stephanie Herrmann at (318)372-3006.

## D'Arbonne Range Riders

The D'Arbonne Range Riders is a non-profit horseback riding organization that hosts several events throughout the year including rodeos, barrel runs, playdays, and much more. Located at 202 Rodeo Rd., Farmerville 71241. For more information call 318-243-4726 or [darbonnerangeriders.com](http://darbonnerangeriders.com)

## Lions Club



The Farmerville Lions Club was chartered on Nov. 8, 1929, making it one of the oldest Lions Club's in the state. The Lions Club meets each Thursday at noon at the Arbor Rose, eats lunch and listens to a guest speaker. The Lions Club has been instrumental in the community through its annual \$500 scholarship to a deserving Union Parish student; paying the utilities each month for the Boy Scout Hut; contributing \$200 annually to the La. Lions Eye Foundation; contributing annually \$200 to the Crippled Children's Camp and providing free glaucoma screenings.

## Master Gardeners

The Louisiana Master Gardener program is a service and educational activity offered by the LSU AgCenter. Experienced and beginning gardeners seeking up-to-date horticultural information can advance their gardening expertise and gain self-satisfaction through volunteer efforts. The volunteer aspect of the Louisiana Master Gardener program allows individuals to dedicate their time and talents to enhancing the quality of life for citizens of their community by using the science and art of horticulture. It allows individuals to put into practice what they know and learn. For more information contact Rafash Brew at (318) 368-9935.

## Farmerville Garden Club

Farmerville Garden Club meets at the United Methodist Church on the first Thursday of the month at 1:30 p.m. September through May. Please call (318) 368-3840 for more information.





## Union Arts Council



The Union Arts Council seeks to expand visual and performing arts experiences for the people of Union Parish, support local artists, and encourage arts education. The organization meets throughout the year, and holds two annual art shows: the Competitive Art Exhibition in November, and the Watermelon Festival Art Show in July. For more information see the Facebook page at Union Arts Council-Louisiana or call 318-348-2005.

## Union Council on Aging

The Union Parish Council on Aging is a non-profit organization designed to meet the needs of the elderly of Union Parish. The Council office is located at 606 East Boundary St., in Farmerville. It operates under a volunteer board of directors. For more information call 318-368-2205 or e-mail [unioncoa@bellsouth.net](mailto:unioncoa@bellsouth.net).

## Union Humane Society

Union Humane Society is located in Union Parish, Louisiana. A few people came together in October, 2008 to begin efforts to save abused and abandoned animals in our parish. We are incorporated and have a 501(c)(3), non-profit status. To make donations or for more information, contact Lynn Fontana at (318) 368-3873 or Terri Pratt at (318) 608-2614.

## Union Long Spurs National Wild Turkey Federation

The Union Long Spurs National Wild Turkey Federation was founded in 1997 in Farmerville. They are dedicated to the conservation of the wild turkey and preservation of our hunting heritage sponsoring three youth hunts every year. Located at 248 Harry Parker Rd., Marion, La., 318.557.7173 or Jed Rhodes at 318.355.9065, [unionlongspurs@yahoo.com](mailto:unionlongspurs@yahoo.com). For more information visit [www.lawildturkey.com](http://www.lawildturkey.com).

## Marion Garden Club

The purpose of this club is to promote gardening, beautification projects, instruction for beginner and experienced gardeners and cleaning local towns. The club meets on the second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Marion Fire Department.

## Union Voters League

The Union Voters League, established in 1955, was organized to promote the democratic ideals of American citizenship through voter education, registration and involvement in social issues related to the betterment of our community. Our Motto: "Making a difference 1 Vote at a time" For more information, contact Fred Carr at [fredrickc@bellsouth.net](mailto:fredrickc@bellsouth.net).

## Veterans of Foreign War

The local VFW is Albritton Carter Post 5442 in Farmerville, LA. Post Commander is Jimmy Odom. For more information call Odom at 318.368.2714.



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# Scouting in Union Parish



## Troop 16 Trail Life USA

Troop Master: Mike Tynes;  
Ranger: Patrick Anderson  
Boys Ages 11 to 18. Meet every Monday night at, 6:30 p.m., at the W.A. Downs Reservation Hut (the "Hut") in Farmerville. For more info, contact Mike at 318.368.9482. Sponsored by the First Baptist Church.  
<https://tl-la-0016.trooptrack.com>



## Troop 54 Boy Scouts

Scout Master: Robin Adams; Assistant Scout Masters: Kenny Tucker, Liz Smith and Melissa Johnson. Boys Ages 11 to 18. Meet every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at VFW #5442. For more info, contact Robin at 318.368.5300. Chartered by the VFW Post 5442

## Pack 16 Cub Scouts

Cub Master: N/A  
Boys 1st grade to 5th grade  
Meet every Monday at 6 p.m. at First Baptist Family Life Center  
For more info, contact Mike at 318-368-9482  
[www.unionpack16.org](http://www.unionpack16.org)



## Pack 54 Cub Scouts

Cub Master: Cristy Kelley. Boys first grade to fifth grade. Meet every Monday at 6:15 p.m. at VFW Post #5442, 100 Hudson Road, Farmerville, LA. For more info, contact Cristy Kelley at 318.237.9604.

Chartered by the VFW Post 5442

## Troop 63 Girls Scouts

Troop Leader: Donna Reppond

Girls in Marion:

Daisies K-1st grades

Brownies 2-3rd grade

Meet every Wednesday night from 4:15-5:15 p.m. at the Ag Building at Marion School. For more info, contact Donna at 318-292-4323.  
[www.girlscoutspinestogulf.org](http://www.girlscoutspinestogulf.org)



## Troop 262 Girl Scouts

Troop Leader: Chasity Tynes

Meet every Tuesday at 6 pm at First Baptist Family Life Center  
For more info, contact Chasity at 318-368-9482. Troop is open to any girl in Union Parish.

[www.girlscoutspinestogulf.org](http://www.girlscoutspinestogulf.org)

## UCA Girl Scouts Troop 3035

Co-Troop Leaders: Kami Turner and Julie Neely

K-6th grades (will accept older). Meet on second Tuesday every month at 6:30 p.m. at Willie Davis Jr. Recreation Center. Other field activities later each month.

For more info, contact Kami at 368.2903 or 957.0741, or Julie at 368.7996 or 245.7996. Open to any girl who wants to join whether UCA student or not.

Union Parish 4-H has traditional clubs in all parish schools, reaching approximately 400 youth in the fourth-12th grade. A variety of educational programs are offered to provide youth with age-appropriate competitions, project workshops, camping experiences, outdoor skill events and community service projects. Youth are presented programs on leadership, financial management, jobs/careers, life skills, homework/study skills, social skills and public speaking that assist in building self-esteem and future careers. Youth have the opportunity to participate in many community outreach programs.



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The Union Parish Airport is a public facility owned by the Union Parish Police Jury and managed by Larry Thigpen (318.355.7561).

The airport sits on 47 acres of land off Spillway Road across from Kings Lake Subdivision, four miles southeast of Farmerville and features two runways. Runways are closed to aircraft weighing more than 12,500 pounds.

The airport, which began operation in August of 1964, is open to the public.

According to FAA information (effective April 3, 2014), there are 20 aircraft based on the field, 19 single engine and one multi engine plane.



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2019 Crappie Masters Tournament Champions were Robert Carlile (left) and Craig Nichols.





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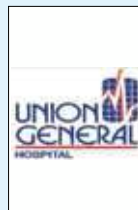
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# Operation Round Up gives back to the community

Operation Round Up is a community service program that gives Claiborne Electric members the option to allow their bills to be rounded up to the next whole dollar. The difference in the actual bill and the rounded amount is deposited into the Operation Round Up Trust Fund. The funds accumulated are dispersed to charitable causes in the communities served by Claiborne Electric.

The program is governed by the Claiborne Electric Operation Round Up Trust Board. The board consists of nine Claiborne Electric

members from across the Co-op's service area. The board receives and reviews applications for the funds, makes decisions about allocation, and disperses the funds accordingly.

Operation Round Up was originally created by Palmetto Electric Cooperative in South Carolina. After seeing the success of the program, other co-ops nationwide began starting their own programs. Today, more than 300 co-ops have an Operation Round Up program. Claiborne Electric founded its Operation Round Up Trust in the summer

of 2007. Currently, Claiborne Electric has one of the highest member participation rates in the country, with more than 95 percent of its members voluntarily participating in the program.

Operation Round Up funds are used to assist area schools, fire departments, youth organizations, police departments, families whose homes have burned, libraries and museums, veterans efforts and elderly and disabled individuals, among many other worthy causes. One hundred percent of the money raised through Operation

Round up stays in Claiborne Electric's service area.

Since the first grants were dispersed, the program has been used to award about 500 grants totaling more than \$1.5 million dollars to organizations and families in need across the six parishes served by the Co-op. In 2017, Operation Round Up donated more than \$130,000 to local causes. \$48,390.35 of that total was donated in Union Parish.

Through the end of 2018, 155 Operation Round Up grants had been awarded in Union Parish, totaling \$485,128.31.

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