

Ouachita River Valley Association

~Annual Convention~

August 14-15, 2008
West Monroe Convention Center
901 Ridge Avenue
West Monroe, Louisiana

Agenda

Thursday, August 14th

- 1:00 p.m. **Registration Opens**
- 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. **Navigation Committee Meeting:** J. Hoopaugh, Chairman
1. US Coast Guard Update –Chief Richard Waring (Colfax, LA) - *Confirmed*
 Eric Washburn (St. Louis, MO) - *Confirmed*
2. USACE Update – Jerry Stewart, Vicksburg District -*Confirmed*
3. Reporting Requirements – David Penick, Waterborne Commerce Statistics
 Center - New Orleans - *Confirmed*
- 3:15 – 4:15 p.m. **ORVA Board Meeting**
- 4:15 – 5:00 p.m. **ORVA Membership Meeting**
- 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Open Time**
- 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. **Reception:**
 Sponsored by “Friends of ORVA”
 West Monroe Convention Center – Lobby
- 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. **Dinner:**
 Master of Ceremonies: Mayor Chris Claybaker
 Guest Speaker: Congressman Rodney Alexander (R-LA)
 Confirmed
- Special Recognition - Presenter:** John Stringer

Friday, August 15th

- 8:00 –8:30 a.m. **Continued Registration/Continental Breakfast**
Welcome – Chris Claybaker
(8:30 – 9:00) * **Speaker - Elected Official – awaiting confirmation**
Introduced by Johnny Martin
- 9:05 – 9:15 a.m. **Welcome**
Mayor Dave Norris – West Monroe, Louisiana - *Confirmed*
Mayor Jamie Mayo – Monroe, Louisiana -*Awaiting Confirmation*
- 9:20 – 10:00 a.m. **Keynote Address**
Steve Stockton – Director of Civil Works - USACE
Introduced by Bill Hobgood - Confirmed
- 10:05 – 10:35 a.m. **Colonel Mike Wehr, Commander, Vicksburg District**
US Army Corps of Engineers
Introduced by Mary Ann Newton - Confirmed
- 10:40 – 11:25 a.m. **Jay Moon, President-CEO, Mississippi Manufacturers Assoc.**
“Manufacturing/Inter-Modal Facilities/River Usage”
Introduced by John Stringer - Confirmed
- 11:30 – 12:00 p.m. **River Water Break**
- 12:05 – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch**
Guest Speaker – LA Governor Bobby Jindal
Introduced by Senator Robert “Bob” Kostelka – R-LA
Awaiting Confirmation
- 1:05 – 1:45 p.m. **Rich Brontoli - Executive Director, Red River Valley Association**
Ken Guidry – Executive Director, Red River Waterways Commission
“Development of the Red River”
Introduced by Randy Martin-nez - Confirmed
- 1:50 – 2:20 p.m. **Raymond Butler, Exec. Dir., Gulf Intracoastal Association**
“State of Navigation Industry”
Introduced by John Hoopaugh - Confirmed
- 2:25 – 2:40 p.m. **Paul Trichel – Manager, Greater Ouachita Port**
“Greater Ouachita Port Status”
Introduced by Gary Acklin - Confirmed
- 2:50 – 3:15 p.m. **Scott Henderson – Director, AR Game and Fish Commission**
“Ouachita River Recreation”
Introduced by Ed Horton - Confirmed
- 3:20 – 3:45 p.m. **Guest Speaker – Elected Official – Invitation Extended – Awaiting Confirmation**
- 3:50 – 4:00 p.m. **Closing Remarks –** Bill Hobgood, Executive Director ORVA