

Zion Hill Groundbreaking



[Zion Hill Baptist Church](#) has broken ground on their new 1,100 seat Worship Center, to be located just off the Pineville Expressway, near Kelso Park. The honor of the first shovels of dirt went to (from left to right in photo) **Martin Johnson** of Hibernia Bank, **David Eppler** of CLECO, Pineville Mayor **Clarence Fields**, Former Pastor **Edmond Pointer**, State Representative **Isreal Curtis**, Pastor **Joshua Joy Dara**, and Project & Deacon Chairman **Willis Howard**. Zion Hill Baptist Church has been meeting in Guinn Auditorium at Louisiana College since last fall, after outgrowing their former location at 500 Baptist Street in

Pineville. Estimated time of completion is April 2002. (Click on picture for larger view.)

Pineville BMX Riders Bring Home Awards from Grand Nationals

At the August City Council meeting the Mayor and City Council recognized the local BMX riders who qualified for the **BMX Grand Nationals** held in Louisville, KY the first weekend in September. The top riders from around the nation were on hand to race for their national ranking. Several riders from the Pineville track qualified.



In the picture 10 of the local riders are joined by **Mayor Fields** and **Kees Park BMX Track Director André Martin** (back row). The riders in the picture are (from left to right): Front Row - **Justin Martin** (8 Novice - 16th Nationally), **Andrew Jordan** (11 Rookie - 7th Nationally), **Joshua Deville** (13 Novice - 36th Nationally), **Eric Fontenot** (14 Rookie - 11th Nationally), **Cody Devine** (9 Novice - 19th Nationally), Second Row - **Tyrel Baum** (14 Novice - 49th Nationally), **Ryan Clanton** (15 Rookie - 16th Nationally), **James Setliff** (13 Novice - 17th Nationally), **Chris Langley** (15 Rookie - 6th Nationally), **Anthony Jordan** (14 Rookie - 5th Nationally, 14 Cruiser - 19th Nationally). (Not pictured: Toby Mroch 16 Novice - 28th Nationally) (Click on picture for larger view.)

The Catch of the Day



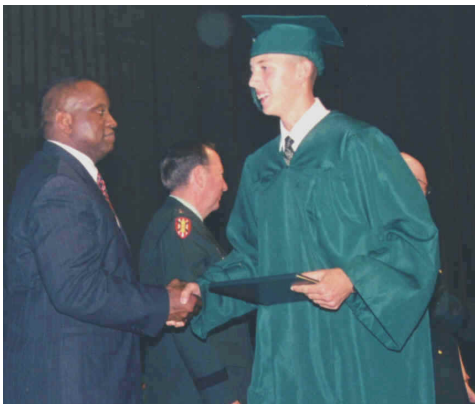
Pineville City Councilwoman Carol Cunningham shows off the "biggest catch of the day" from Wednesday's VIP Tournament of the 2001 Women's Bass Fishing Association. The one day event was a preview of the 2001 WBFA World Classic Championship held on the Red River. Out of the 28 boats that took off early that morning from the levee park Amphitheater, 17 returned empty handed (maybe that's why Mayor Fields is not in the picture!). Cunningham's fish weighed in at more than five pounds. To Cunningham's right is **Becky Moore**, wife of Public Works director **Charlie Moore**, who also was able to reel some in. Each VIP was paired with professional angler, and a good time was had by all. (Click on picture for larger view.)

Louisiana Municipal Association

Pineville Mayor Clarence Fields had honor of sharing the podium with **U.S. Senator Mary Landrieu** at the 64th Annual Convention of the **Louisiana Municipal Association** held in Alexandria, August 9th-11th. Senator Landrieu was the guest speaker for the Convention's Opening Session, while Mayor Fields brought greetings as one of the host cities. Over 1,300 delegates from cities, towns and villages across Louisiana attended the three day event. **Alexandria Mayor Ned Randolph** was elected President of the LMA, which celebrated it's 75th Year of existence at this year's gathering. (Click on picture for larger view.)



Youth Challenge Graduation



Pineville Mayor **Clarence Fields** was recently the guest speaker for the **Louisiana National Guard's [Youth Challenge Program](#)** Graduation Ceremonies. (Picture at left shows Mayor Fields along with Major General Bennett

Landreneau, head of the Louisiana National Guard along with one of the graduates.) An overflow crowd at [Louisiana College's Guinn Auditorium](#) saw 205 young men and women from around the state, whose lives have been changed by the Youth Challenge Program, get their diploma.

Since it's inception in 1993, YCP has been helping at-risk adolescents gain a new lease on life. In May, competing against 26 other states who operate Youth Challenge Programs, the Louisiana National Guard's YCP took the top honors by the United Services Organization as the recipient of the Volunteer Service to Education's Best All-Around Award. YCP at Camp Beauregard runs two classes per year - January through June and from July through December. To be eligible to enroll, a teen-ager must be a Louisiana resident, drug free, have no felony convictions, a high school dropout and must volunteer to participate in the program. Participants are not obligated to enlist in the military upon graduation and there is no cost to participants or their families.

New Business in Pineville

Chamber of Commerce Executive Director **Elton Pody**, the Chamber Red Coats and Alexandria Mayor **Ned Randolph** joined Pineville Mayor **Clarence Fields** in welcoming a new business to Pineville. (Click on picture for larger view.)

[Christian Family Counselors](#) is now open at 2828 Donahue Ferry Road, next to Donahue Baptist Church. Christian Family Counselors exists to provide help and hope to those who are hurting. This is accomplished by providing professional and affordable Biblically based counseling. Find out more at their website ChristianFamilyCounselors.com or call 640-8444.

