

# From the President's Desk

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## Graduate Success Stories

These two graduate success stories were received recently – Congratulations Grads!

“Business Office Administration graduate, JO, finished her program on Thursday, April 3. She had not only one, but two job offers on that same morning. She started her new job on Friday, April 4 in an orthopedic office in Baton Rouge. She chose that position because they offered her a good hourly wage and full benefits!”

“CC did her Medical Office Assistant externship at a local medical clinic. She started her externship on 4/9/08, and was hired on 5/23/08 as an assistant to the person that handled workman’s comp claims. That person is leaving and CC has been promoted to run that department with a very generous raise!!! CC just called to share her good news with Mrs. Roy. She is very excited and said to make sure I tell all of you (faculty & admin) thank you.

Congratulations faculty and administration! Your hard work does pay off and you definitely make a difference in the lives of our students.

## Calendar – Delta, Baton Rouge

Non-PN Day Start-Monday	May 19
Graduation – Lafayette Branch	May 22
Advisory Board-Practical Nurse	May 28
BLC Out of Office	June 16-20
All Employees Off-Friday	July 4
Non-PN Day Start-Monday	July 7
Non-PN Night Start-Monday	July 21
Hurst Review	July 21-24
Medisoft Training@Lafayette-Tuesday	July 25
PN Day Start-Monday	July 28
Non-PN Graduation-Tuesday	July 29
PN Night Start-Monday	August 4
BLC Out of Office	August 11-15

## The Delta Advantage #9

**Day or Evening Classes** – Many of our majors can be completed at night to accommodate your schedule.

## LCCA Spring Conference 2009

FACULTY – Mark your calendars for Friday, May 1, 2009 at the Hilton Hotel in downtown Baton Rouge. The LCCA Conference will feature national speakers on teaching effectiveness. Representatives from many different publishers will also be on hand. There were over 200 in attendance at this year’s conference.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Time Homebuyers Classes - FREE

The next round of classes for first time homebuyers begins Wednesday night, June 11<sup>th</sup>. Contact Mrs. Roy for more details.

*“Always bear in mind that your own resolution to success is more important than any other thing.”*

Abraham Lincoln

## Marriage Tip – Encouragement

*“Death and life are in the power of the tongue,”*  
Proverbs 18:21.

Nothing can be more devastating than critical words... Nothing can be more uplifting than encouraging words. Never doubt the power of your words.

As one who has been married now for 24 years (to the most wonderful woman in the world), I’ve had plenty of opportunities to make mistakes. I’ve also had plenty of opportunities to learn from those mistakes. The mistakes I most often make are with my words. James 3:8 tells us that *“no one came tame the tongue.”*

One of the most difficult things for me to accept is that although my wife is wonderful, she is not perfect – and never will be. She’s unfortunately had to accept the same thing about me.

And it’s usually the little things that get us in trouble - cap left off the toothpaste, things not put back where they came from,

**Marriage Tip: Always encourage/praise your spouse – especially in public. Never publicly criticize your spouse!** Even words spoken jokingly can cut deep. For example, “yeah my wife burnt our dinner last night, you know it’s a wonder we are all still alive with the stuff we have to eat.” Another might be, “yep, the faucet’s still dripping, you know the police put a padlock on my husband’s toolbox for the protection of all mankind.” You know these things may get a laugh from others, but they do harm to the intended target.

*“Therefore encourage one another and build up one another,”* I Thessalonians 5:11.

On the other hand, words of praise will encourage each of us to do even better. Find something positive to say!

*“Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear,”*  
Ephesians 4:29.