

right) Esquire Parker Layrisson, 2019 Ponchatoula Chamber of Commerce President Tammy L. Murphy and 2018 Ponchatoula Chamber of Commerce President Jeff Wright. (Times Photo by Amy Brennan)



Hip! Hip! Hooray!

Volunteers of the year Barton and Sue Migues are Ponchatoula Chambers Volunteers of the year. They have lived in the area for less than one year, although 2019 President Tammy Murphy nominated the couple and said, "I met them at the February Fun Fever and they jumped in with both feet! They adopted a dog named Dixie and have shown much dedication to Ponchatoula organizations including the Krewe of Omega." (Left to right) Barton Migues, Ponchatoula Chamber of Commerce Office Director Billie Joe Laird, Sue Migues and 2018 Ponchatoula Chamber of Commerce President Jeff Wright. (Times Photo by Amy Brennan)

Remembering Wadesboro 2019

By JIM PERRIN

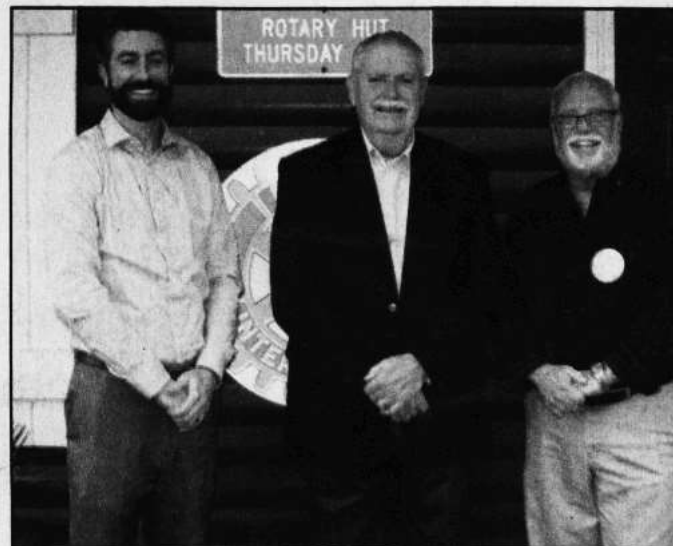
Historian and Educator
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Many years before the Town of Ponchatoula was established there was another community commonly called Ponchatoula.

This community, located on the east bank of the Ponchatoula River

at the head of schooner navigation, was commonly called Ponchatoula or Ponchatoula Landing, and after the 1840's "Wadesboro" or "Wadesborough."

Located on the east bank of the Ponchatoula River just south of the



"Anybody can make history. Only a great man can write it" Oscar Wilde

Jim Perrin proved not only can he write about our history he can also speak about our history

bers Flora Nelson and husband of former club the trees and helped of

Gardenettes are members of District VI Louisiana Garden Club Federation Inc., Deep South Garden Clubs Inc. and National Garden Clubs Inc. Sonya Avery, garden club president, opened the ceremony prior to planting. Featured v

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confluence of the Yellow Water River with Ponchatoula Creek, Wadesboro was named for Richard Wade who settled here in the opening decades of the 19th Century. This river landing was referred to as "Wade's Landing" in an 1819 land transfer.

When Richard Wade and his wife Mary Ann Skaggs (also spelled Mary
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ry. Jim Perrin local historian treated the Ponchatoula Rotary Club to an amazing lunch and lecture about early Ponchatoula. The educator, author, historian and contributing Times columnist has spent many years researching the history of Ponchatoula from many sources. Including the archives in Louisiana, Mississippi and well as records from Chicago and Washington. (From left to right) Ponchatoula Rotarian President Steven Portier, Local Ponchatoula Historian Jim Perrin and Ponchatoula Rotarian Tom [unclear] (Times Photo by Amy Brennan).

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