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# Local teachers honored by Diocese

The Catholic Diocese of Shreveport, which includes Monroe, recognized three local teachers as educators of the year for 2009. **Nancy Fritsche**, who recently retired from St. Frederick High School where she taught math, was honored for 40 years of teaching in Catholic schools.

**Linda Zagone** of Jesus the Good Shepherd is a fifth and sixth grade science teacher and has been teaching in the diocese for six years. **Amanda Rogers** is a sixth grade teacher at Our Lady of Fatima and has also taught in the diocese for six years.

Members of the Fort Miro Daughters of the American Revolution attended the 100th state conference in Shreveport where chapter regent **Frances Jakes** served on the credential committee and presided at the national defence luncheon. She also gave the eulogy for former regent



**Hope Young**  
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**Dot Ramsey**, who died in November 2008. Honored were **June Strausser**, **Virginia Tuttle** and **Marye Hines**.

Fort Miro received awards for obtaining new members, outstanding service to DAR schools, submitting new pages in genealogical records, valuable contributions to Native Americans, use of computer for DAR activities, special recognition in VIS,

level I chapter achievement and personal recognition for participation in the president general's project.

**Ann Lane** reported as state chapter achievement chairman. She and **Pat Lary**, Fort Miro's only LSDAR Classic Rose, are in the book "Harvesting Our History."

**Robert L. Holladay** of Monroe has been accepted in to the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. Membership in NSCS is by invitation only to first- and second-year college students. He will be inducted at the University of Alabama in the fall.

Several area students were named to the Mississippi State University Deans's List for the spring semester. They include **Polly D. Anderson-Robertson** of Calhoun, **Caleb Y. Brasher** of West Monroe, **Clayton S. Leachman** and **Whitney T.**

**Leachman**, both of Ruston, **Katie F. Haynes** of Bastrop and **Erika L. Knott** and **Zackary A. Knott**, both of Monroe.

The fall festival season is upon us and just behind it are the holidays. If your church, civic group, club or school have an upcoming event, please send me an e-mail with the details. Remember to include a contact number. My e-mail address is [hyoung@thenewsstar.com](mailto:hyoung@thenewsstar.com). You can post calendar events on the Web site, too. Go to [www.thenewsstar.com](http://www.thenewsstar.com) and scroll on the left side to submit an event and follow the instructions.

Submit anecdotes or items about local people to Jes' Ramblin', c/o The News-Star, 411 N. Fourth St., Monroe, LA, 71201; or e-mail them to [accent@thenewsstar.com](mailto:accent@thenewsstar.com). Personal comments for Hope Young can be called in to 362-0278; e-mailed [hyoung@monroe.gannett.com](mailto:hyoung@monroe.gannett.com); or sent to the address above.

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