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## **Nunez Community College's History Lecture Series Focuses on St. Bernard Port Series in its 14<sup>th</sup> season in 2015**

**Chalmette, LA**—Nunez Community College's History Lecture Series presented a lecture entitled: *The St. Bernard Port, Harbor & Terminal District* on Monday, May 4. The lecture highlighted the history and current operations of the Port. The lecture was given by Executive Director of the St. Bernard Port, Dr. Robert J. Scafidel and Director of Associated Terminals, Mr. David Fennelly.

Throughout the lecture Fennelly, who works with other ports around the country, emphasized the unique features of the St. Bernard Port, calling it "second to none." A theme in Scafidel's remarks was the connection between the St. Bernard Port and employment opportunities within St. Bernard Parish. Commenting on the Port's expansion to the Violet Terminal, he said, "there were only five jobs in Violet, and when we complete our plans for that site, we hope to have as many as 200 people working."

The Nunez History Lecture Series was created to provide a cultural opportunity, to explore the rich heritage of the area, and to offer St. Bernard the advantage of being a college town with Nunez at the center. "This particular lecture on the St. Bernard Port not only helps the community learn about history, but demonstrates the connection between Nunez and local commerce," said Ms. Michele Minor, producer of the lecture series. Nunez Community College offers degrees, certificates, and diplomas that support the economic development of the St. Bernard Port by providing qualified employees to the shipping industry.

Nunez Community College is a comprehensive community college offering more than 17 academic programs, including specialized training and continuing education courses; and has recently been named one of the fastest growing community colleges in the nation by the *Community College Times*. More information is available online at [www.nunez.edu](http://www.nunez.edu).

Mr. David Fennelly (left) and Dr. Robert Scafidel (right) discuss the history and current significance of the St. Bernard Port



From left: Mr. David Fennelly, Ms. Michele Minor (producer of the History Lecture Series), and Dr. Robert Scafidel



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