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Former LSU gymnastics coach D-D Breaux poses with a group gathered Feb. 19 at Cane Sugar Toffee Company in Donaldsonville. MICHAEL TORTORICH/GONZALES WEEKLY CITIZEN

'The greatest president of our lifetime'

State lawmaker wants proposed bridge named for President Trump

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The proposed Mississippi Bridge River Bridge that would connect La. 1 to La. 30 might be named long before it is built if one lawmaker has his way during the upcoming 2026 Louisiana Legislative Session.

House Bill 221 by state Rep. Mike Echols, R-Monroe, would name the route the "President Donald J. Trump Expressway."

The legislation comes as a state committee continues to hammer out a plan for the location of the artery, which would relieve heavy traffic tie-ups in parishes throughout the Greater Baton Rouge region.

"President Trump has been a transformational leader for the people of Louisiana," Echols said. "It would be my highest honor to name a Mississippi Bridge in Baton Rouge after the greatest president of our lifetime."

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development would be required to post and maintain signs along the route if the legislation is approved.

Lawmakers head to Baton Rouge on Monday, March 9, for 2026 Legislative Session.

Landry to announce Caddo Parish data center

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Louisiana Gov. Jeff Landry will travel to Shreveport Monday to announce details of a Blanchard data center project that his economic development officials describe as "transformational" for Caddo Parish and the region.

Landry will provide details during a 1 p.m. announcement event at the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium downtown.

His announcement will include two connected sites, but the governor's office and his economic development spokesperson said complete details of the project won't be released until Monday because of confidentiality agreements.

The project's scope will be billions of dollars. Landry's Economic Development Secretary Susan Bourgeois will also headline the event.

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LSU legend D-D Breaux featured in documentary

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A new documentary, "The Fighting Tiger," chronicled the career of legendary LSU gymnastics coach D-D Breaux as she built the program from scratch into a national powerhouse.

Breaux, who is originally from Donaldsonville, led the gymnastics program for 43 seasons, arriving at LSU in 1978 and retiring in 2020.

Throughout her storied career, she

was named SEC coach of the year nine times, and 15 of her gymnasts won individual national titles.

LSU Athletics celebrated the release of the film Feb. 4 with a special early premiere event, prior to its national television debut Friday, Feb. 13, on SEC Network.

The documentary captured Breaux's resiliency, advocacy and leadership as a trailblazer in women's athletics.

"For everybody who thinks one person can't make a difference, I offer them D-D's story," one of the interviewees

said in the documentary.

Interviews in the documentary included her family members, LSU gymnastics head coach Jay Clark, former LSU baseball head coach Skip Bertman, former LSU football head coach Nick Saban, LSU women's basketball head coach Kim Mulkey, former first assistant Louisiana Attorney General Connie Koury and former gymnasts Ashleigh Clare-Kearney Thigpen, Olivia Dunne, Ashleigh Gnat and Jennifer

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When will LA see hummingbirds?

First sightings of the year

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Shreveport Times
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Hummingbird migration has begun, as many hummingbirds spend winter in Central America or Mexico and migrate north as early as February.

This month, the birds will journey to their breeding grounds in the southern and western U.S., and then will migrate to areas further north later in the spring.

The first arrivals in spring are usually males and can be seen in Texas, Louisiana and other states along the Gulf Coast in late-January to mid-March, according to Hummingbird Central.

Hummingbird sightings in Louisiana during early migration

Hummingbirds have been seen in Louisiana, with the first sighting reportedly of a ruby-throated male on Feb. 14, according to Hummingbird-News Facebook post.

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The Luscious Royale Cosmo lantana is always a favorite of hummingbirds. PROVIDED BY NORMAN WINTER/FOR THE SAVANNAH MORNING NEWS

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