Tulane University Hosts Burkenroad Reports Investment Conference

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The 13th Annual Burkenroad Reports Investment Conference will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on April 24, at the Chateau Bourbon Hotel, 800 Iberville St. in New Orleans. Top management from more than 30 publicly held companies in the Gulf South will be on hand to give investors an inside look at their companies" financial performance during the past year and prospects for growth.

Students at Tulane"s A.B. Freeman School of Business release extensive research reports on each company at the free annual event, which offers members of the public a barometer for the regional and national economy.

Since 1993 Burkenroad Reports has been producing investment research reports on dozens of small-cap companies, so-called "Stocks Under Rocks" headquartered in six Southern states. Professor Peter Ricchiuti, Burkenroad founder and director, thinks that "well-run, profitable public companies in the region are often overlooked by Wall Street." The Hancock Horizon Burkenroad Mutual Fund (Ticker Symbol: HYBUX) utilizes this student-produced research and has outperformed 99 percent of the domestic equity mutual funds in its first seven years.

Presenting companies, including their stock symbols, are: Amerisafe (AMSF), Callon Petroleum (CPE), Cal-Maine Foods (CALM), CLECO Corp. (CNL), Craftmade International (CRFT), Crown Crafts (CRWS), Cyberonics (CYBX), Deltic Timber (DEL), EastGroup Properties (EGP), First M& F Corp. (FMFC) Gulf Island Fabrication (GIFI), Hornbeck Offshore Services (HOS), IBERIABANK (IBKC), Key Energy Services (KEG), Marine Products (MPX), McMoRan Exploration (MMR), MidSouth Bancorp (MSL), Newpark Resources (NR), NATCO Group (NTG), Peoples Bank (PFBX), PetroQuest Energy (PQ), Pool Corp. (POOL), Powell Industries (POWL), RPC Incorporated (RES), Sanderson Farms (SAFM), Shaw Group (SGR), Stewart

Enterprises (STEI), Stone Energy (SGY), Superior Energy Services (SPN), Susser Holdings (SUSS), Team Inc. (TISI), Teche Holdings (TSH), W&T Offshore (WTI)

The event is free and open to the public and is scheduled from. To see the conference agenda and register, please visit www.burkenroad.org.