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Jindal heads to Florida to pad campaign chest

Rising GOP star also to attend McCain rally

Saturday, October 11, 2008

Capital bureau

BATON ROUGE -- He is three years away from facing the voters, and he ended 2007 with almost \$800,000 in his campaign account. But Gov. Bobby Jindal apparently is leaving little to chance.

As the Louisiana State University Tigers gear up to face the University of Florida in a highly anticipated college football matchup today in Gainesville, Fla., Jindal will be in nearby Alachua raising money for his re-election.

The \$2,500-per-person event at the home of Jason and Denise Rosenberg is one of several out-of-state fundraising events Jindal is planning in the months ahead, according to his communications director, Melissa Sellers.

"This one came together around the . . . football game this weekend," she said. Asked why Jindal was getting such an early start on fundraising, Sellers said, "There are people who want to support the governor and the governor needs their support."

Jindal also is scheduled to attend a rally for GOP presidential nominee John McCain on the Florida campus before the 7 p.m. game kickoff.

In addition to padding his own coffers, Jindal has become a popular draw for other office-seekers. The governor is scheduled to be in suburban Houston on Monday to raise money for Peter Olson, a Republican candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives.

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