

Capital Area United Way has elected its 2009 board of directors: **Van R. Mayhall Jr.**, chairman of the board; **Jay O'Brien**, chairman elect of the board; **Keith Short**, secretary of the board, **Michelle Carriere**, treasurer of the board/finance committee chair; **Jim Epper**, treasurer of the board elect/finance committee vice chair elect; **Tobie Craig**, campaign chair; **Michael Trufant**, campaign chair elect; **Les Gatz**, community engagement and strategies chair; **Bob Barton**, community engagement and strategies chair elect; **Diane Allen**, marketing chair; **Christy Reeves**, marketing chair elect; **Phyllis Coleman Mouton**, past chair of the board/governance committee chair; **Rose Hudson**, personnel committee chair; **Alden Andre**, parish council chair; **Jane Shank**, partner agency representative; **Gerald Goss**, major gifts and planned giving chair; and **Danny Montelaro**, audit committee chair.

The Advocate [outstanding media award], **Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank** [community investment award], **Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana** [standard of excellence award], **Edith Wright** [Myron Faulk Award] and **Christy Reeves** [outstanding volunteer award] received Big Five awards from Capital Area United Way. The honor recognizes individuals, companies and

organizations who made a significant contribution to CAUW in the past year.

LSU's **Louisiana Business and Technology Center** has been named as a finalist for the National Business Incubation Association's 2009 Incubator Innovation Award for its Business Incubator on Wheels program, which offers entrepreneurship training to clients in rural, underserved areas as well as hurricane recovery areas. The winner will be announced April 21.

Lowell E. Urbatsch, a professor of biological sciences and the director of the LSU Herbarium, has received a grant from the National Science Foundation to develop CyberFlora Louisiana, an effort to catalog more than 1 million species of flora into a single interactive Web site. Urbatsch's colleagues from the University of Louisiana at Monroe, Tulane University, Nicholls State University and Southeastern Louisiana also were named in the grant.

The **Baton Rouge Water Company** has elected its board of directors: **Eugene H. Owen**, chairman; **W. Gregory Jones**; **Patrick J. Kerr**; **Davis J. Lauve**; **F. Charles McMains Jr.**; **Paul W. Murrill**; **Jake L. Netterville**; **Newton B. Thomas**; and **Roland M. Toups**. The company increased its board from nine to 12

members with the addition of **Teri G. Fontenot**, **Brett P. Furr** and **Hays D. Owen**.

The **Woman's Hospital Foundation** has elected its board of directors: **Markham McKnight**, chair; **Matt McKay**; and **Mike Wampold**. Officers are: **Susan Puyau**, chair elect; **Robert Stuart Jr.**, secretary-treasurer. Other board members are **Teri G. Fontenot**; **Dore Binder**; **Robert Greer Jr.**; **Francis Henderson**; **Jamar Melton**; **Amy Phillips**; **Mike Polito**; **Edward Schwartzenburg**; and **Ellis Schwartzenburg**.

Stirling Properties awarded year-end production and service awards to members of its Greater Baton Rouge team. **Dottie Tarleton** [platinum award] was honored by the commercial division. **Ginger Maulden** [diamond]; **Pat Meyer** [platinum]; **Julie Carlisle**, **Jill Slicker**, **Nancy Kemske**, **Kindra Fletcher**, **Mel Landry** [gold]; **Cindy LeBlanc**, **Vera Whitehead**, **Cathi Williams**, **Brandy Christ** [silver]; and **Dane Daniel**, **Susan Albus**, **Ellis Fowler**, **Kendra Demars**, **Angela Jordan** and **David Richardson** [bronze] were honored by the residential division of ERA Stirling Properties.

Matt Evans of **Armstrong Relocation Company** has been honored by

United Van Lines as the salesperson of the month in household goods corporate accounts for January.

David Treppendahl of **RE/MAX First Commercial** has been recognized as the top individual sales associate in Louisiana based on sales volume and total commissions earned. He ranked No. 2 in the Dixie Region, which includes nearly 2,000 agents in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. Treppendahl focuses primarily on multi-family and land.