

CITY BUSINESS

AROUND TOWN

PEOPLE



Preston Ritchie



Tim Shay



Jessica Cahill



Aaron Ready



Lauren Ritchie



Mickey Simon

Accounting

LaPorte Schrt Romig Hand CPAs has promoted **Preston Ritchie** and **Tim Shay** to audit managers and **Jessica Cahill**, **Aaron Ready**, **Lauren Ritchie** and **Michael 'Mickey' Simon** to senior auditors.

Silva Gurtner & Abney LLC has named **Becky Hammond** audit manager.

Architecture

Sizeler Thompson Brown Architects has named **Matthew Hostetler** an architect intern.

Awards

Lockheed Martin has selected **Eric Lorio** of Metairie for a National Merit Lockheed Martin Academic Scholarship.

Brian Priest of Diamond Data/Geocent has received the Geocent Coach's Whistle Team Excellence Award.

Elwood Cahill Jr., an attorney with Sher Garner Cahill Richter Klein & Hilbert in New Orleans, has received the Louisiana Bar Foundation Presidents' Award.

Mark Phillips, University of New Orleans instructor of philosophy, has been selected to receive the 2009 Humanist Award from the New Orleans Secular Humanist Association for his work with the annual UNO Darwin Day celebration.

Banks

MidSouth Bank has named **Monique Bradberry** a human resource generalist in the human resources department.

Engineering

Dewberry has promoted **Christopher Gregus** to senior associate.

General business

The Greater New Orleans Executive Association has elected **Lola Lass** president

for the remainder of the year.

Pope Benedict XVI has appointed New Orleans native **Gregory Aymond** to become the 14th archbishop of New Orleans.

Government

Plaquemines Parish Office of Tourism has named **Bert Jones** spokesperson for the parish's recreational and eco-based tourism.

Health care

Dr. **Leonard Jack Jr.**, director of Xavier University's Center for Minority Health, Health Disparities, Research and Education and endowed chair of Minority Health Disparities, has been named editor-in-chief of the Society for Public Health Education's peer-reviewed journal entitled Health Promotion Practice.



Michael Savoie



Randy Brion



Mayra Cabrera

Information technology

Diamond Data/Geocent has promoted **Michael Savoie** to corporate network administrator, **Randy Brion** to consultant II and **Mayra Cabrera** to administrator IV.



Laura Oser



Cindi Johnson



Amanda Boos

Insurance

Eagan Insurance Agency has named **Laura Oser** commercial lines manager, **Cindi Johnson** accounting manager and **Amanda Boos** premium finance specialist.

Law

Hickey & Riess LLC has named **Richard Roth III** a member of the firm.

Bryce Murray, an associate at Lemle & Kelleher, has been named vice-chairman of the Louisiana State Bar Association's Labor & Employment Section.

Nonprofits

United Way for the Greater New Orleans Area has named **Michael Williamson**



Michael Williamson



Ian Stephens



Gregory Aymond



Leonard Jack Jr.

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The New Orleans Museum of Art is seeking volunteer docents to guide tour groups. The deadline for all applications is Aug. 24. For more information, visit www.noma.org/docents or call 658-4113.

The new St. Tammany Community Health Center, a health clinic serving children in combination with a Women, Infants and Children Program, will open July 1 at 1340 14th St., on the campus of Slidell Memorial Hospital.

Capital One Bank has been named a 2009 distinguished partner in education by the Louisiana Department of Education.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has named Compu-Cure New Orleans Inc. the Woman-owned Contractor of the Year.

Xavier University's College of Pharmacy opened its new Health & Wellness Center on June 24 at 5110 Jefferson Highway, Harahan. The center will offer free blood glucose, stress and diabetes monitoring, free blood pressure and blood sugar checks and free weekly courses on topics such as diabetes and healthy eating.

CALENDAR

June 30

The New Orleans chapter of **Executive Women International** will hold its monthly dinner meeting from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Cannon's Restaurant, 4141 St. Charles Ave. Margo DuBos, publisher of Gambit, will speak at the meeting. The cost is \$32. For

chief operating officer.

The Blood Center has named **Ian Stephens** vice president of operations.



Josie Adams



Bonnie Ferman



Rachel Durham

Real estate

ERA Stirling Properties has named **Josie Adams**, **Bonnie Ferman** and **Rachel Durham** sales associates in the Mandeville office and **Whitney Herrmann** a sales associate in the Metairie office.

Tourism

The New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center has promoted **Kenneth Mimms** to building trades manager.



Whitney Herrmann



Kenneth Mimms

more information or to reserve a spot, contact Kim Schaefer at 831-2488 or medmart-inc@bellsouth.net.

The Plaquemines Parish Economic Development Department will hold a **Business Hurricane Preparedness Breakfast** at 7 a.m. at Alice and Woody's Restaurant, 36724 Highway 11, Buras. Parish President Billy Nungesser will address hurricane preparedness and re-entry permits for business owners. For more information and to RSVP, e-mail smathes@plaqueminesparish.com.

New Horizons Computer Learning Center will host a presentation on the **small business employee and incumbent worker training grants** from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Louisiana Technology Council, 1215 Prytania St. The event is free for LTC members and \$20 for non-members. Registration is required. For more information and to register, call 304-2910 or visit www.ltc-la.org.

July 2-5

The **Mandeville Seafood Festival** will take place Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., Friday and Saturday from noon to 12 a.m. and Sunday from noon to 10:30 p.m. at Fontainebleau State Park. A special Thursday concert will feature Mark Chesnutt and Sammy Kershaw. Admission is \$10 in advance and \$15 at the gate. The Thursday concert is \$30 in advance and \$40 at the gate. Children under 10 are admitted free. For more information, visit www.seafoodfest.com.

July 4

The **Slidell Heritage Festival** will be held from 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Heritage Park, 1701 Bayou Lane, Slidell. The event will feature a wide variety of food, a large area with games for children, musical entertainment and a fireworks display at 9 p.m. Admission is \$5 and children 12 and under enter free with a paying adult. For more information, visit www.slidellheritagefest.org.

Ongoing

The Center for Contemporary Arts will host an exhibition highlighting the **life and work of photographer Michael P. Smith**, official photographer of the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival from 1970 to 2004 at 900 Camp St. The photos will be on display now through July 12. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors and free for CAC members. For more information, visit www.cacno.org or call 528-3805.

Loyola University New Orleans is hosting "Portrait," an art exhibit through Sept. 3 in the Collins C. Diboll Art Gallery on the fourth floor of Loyola's Monroe Library. The exhibit will showcase works from 28 artists ranging in traditional portraits to conceptual works exploring identity. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 865-2074.