

GOING UP



MAGNETIC ATTRACTION: Construction continues on Baton Rouge Magnet High School's \$46 million expansion and renovation. The project involves demolishing 75% of the Mid City site, and replacing and replicating windows. The 220,000-square-foot addition will harmonize with the nearly century-old school, which will reopen in 2012. Remson Haley Herpin Architects and Chenevert Architects are the architects, and MAPP Construction is the contractor.

COMPANY NEWS

- **Ardaman & Associates** has been awarded a five-year, \$5 million retainer contract from the Department of Transportation & Development for statewide geotechnical services, including field investigations and sampling, PDA testing, laboratory testing and engineering.

- **Ascension Economic Development Corporation** has launched a revamped website, ascensionedc.com. The redesigned site is meant to be easily navigated and has detailed information for people looking for workforce statistics, small business information and demographics.

- **Community Coffee** has launched a new website, communitycoffee.com, that offers improved navigation, special promotions and increased user interaction.

- **Dr. Craig Walker**, an interventional cardiologist and medical director at Cardiovascular Institute of the South, has become the first doctor in the U.S. to use the Phoenix Atherectomy catheter to treat a patient with peripheral arterial disease, on Aug. 18 at Terrebonne General Medical Center in Houma. The catheter is a minimally invasive device designed to cut, capture and remove arterial plaque.

- **James Avery** jewelry store has opened in The Boulevard at the Mall of Louisiana. This is the second James Avery store in Louisiana, joining a location in Shreveport. The Texas-based chain has 56 other locations across the South and the West.



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- **ERA Stirling Properties** held a ribbon-cutting ceremony last month for its Prairieville location at 17581 Old Jefferson Hwy. Pictured are (front row with ribbon, from left): **Glenda Shaheen**, chairman, Ascension Chamber of Commerce executive board of directors; **Jacques Waguespack**, attorney, Platinum Title & Settlement Services; **Marty Mayer**, president/CEO, Stirling Properties; **Nancy Breitenbach**, managing broker, ERA Stirling Properties Greater Baton Rouge; **Chandler Cherco**, agent; and **Anita Ducote**, agent.

- **K-fx2** has designed a website for **Baton Rouge Uncorked**, batonrougeuncorked.com. The site is intended as a hub for wine enthusiasts to find information about the group and its upcoming events.

- **Lamar Advertising Company** has launched a digital billboard campaign with ESPN and MacDonald Media. Fifteen digital billboards in the Baton Rouge, Nashville, Charlotte and Birmingham markets display schedule information in the days leading up to televised football games, and then provide real-time score updates and other information on game days.

- **The Law Office of Ivy L. Graham** opened Sept. 1 at 1810 S. Range Ave., Ste. 3, in Denham Springs. Graham offers legal services in personal injury, family law, workers' compensation and estate planning.

- **MAPP Construction** has started work on a CarMax superstore. The 36,726-square-foot facility, which will be built on nine acres at 6750 Siegen Ln., represents the restart of the company's growth plan for the used car retailer.

- **The Relocation Center** has partnered with **Raleigh Studios Baton Rouge** to find permanent and short-term housing for film industry professionals working in the Capital Region. The Relocation Center also will be assisting with household goods move management, home sale and purchase assistance, mortgage assistance and orientation services.

- **SDT Waste and Debris** held a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Sept. 15 for its corporate headquarters in Independence. The 20,000-square-foot facility is located on 2½ acres and provides office space for SDT administrative, management and maintenance workers and a yard for 30 trucks. The headquarters allows the company to continue its expansion into Baton Rouge and the Northshore.

- **Wolters Kluwer Financial Services**, a comprehensive regulatory compliance and risk management business, has acquired FRSGlobal, a Brussels-based global financial regulatory reporting and risk management business, from The Carlyle Group and growth equity investor Kennet Partners. The acquisition enables Wolters

Kluwer Financial Services to offer financial organizations solutions that cover operational risk, compliance risk, and financial risk and reporting.

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