

Openings

Harbor Freight Tools opened at 1533 Gause Blvd., Slidell.

The Modern Pilates Training School opened inside of Franco's Athletic Club, 100 Bon Temps Route, Mandeville.

The American Red Cross opened at 300 Ashland Way, Madisonville.

Bella Style Salon opened at 1414 Gause Blvd., Suite 6, Slidell.

The Experitas Group launched an independent insurance agency and consulting firm at 109 New Camellia Blvd., Covington.

Kennedy, Lewis, Renton, & Associates Inc., an insurance agency, opened at 5100 Village Walk, Suite 110, Covington.

Stirling Properties announced that Academy Sports + Outdoors will open at Hammond Square Shopping Center in Summer 2011.

Business notables

The East St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce received the National Chamber of the Year Award at the American Chamber of Commerce Executives convention.

The Association for Accounting Marketing honored Postlethwaite & Netterville with a marketing achievement award for its cutting-edge use of social media in the Recruiting Campaign category.

Windward Inc., a St. Tammany-based engineering and manufacturing company, received the state's Lantern Award from Gov. Bobby Jindal for its job creation, community investment and corporate citizenship.

Christwood Retirement Community held a groundbreaking ceremony Aug. 31 for its Atrium Apartments at 100 Christwood Blvd., Covington.

Miscellaneous

Architectural firm Fauntleroy & Latham APC announced its new company name as Fauntleroy Latham Weldon Barré Architects APC.

SUPPORTING THE ARTS

The St. Tammany Commission on Cultural Affairs announced its Decentralized Arts Funding grant recipients for the 2010-11 cultural season. The grants include awards for cultural projects and organizational support in St. Tammany Parish.

Organizational Support

City of Slidell Dept. of Cultural & Public Affairs	\$16,000
St. Tammany Art Association	\$11,000
Slidell Little Theatre	\$11,000
Slidell Symphony Society	\$4,000
Northlake Performing Arts Society	\$4,000
Slidell Art League	\$7,323

Project Assistance

City of Covington — "Symphony in the Pines" Concert at Bogue Falaya Park	\$5,000
Izzy Moving Dance Theatre — Master dance classes and performance	\$5,000
Clearwood Junior High, Talented Music Program — Podcasts & Broadcasts	\$2,000
Lacombe Crab Cookoff Festival — Live Music at the Festival	\$4,500
Covington Three Rivers Art Festival — Children's Discovery Area	\$3,500
Clearwood Community Education — Slidell Youth/Community Orchestra	\$3,500
Lake Pontchartrain Basin Maritime Museum — Children's Village	\$3,500
Slidell Heritage Foundation — Live Music at Slidell Heritage Festival	\$2,000
The Olde Towne Arts Center — Artist Book Community Presentations	\$2,000
Carolyn Park Middle School — After-school Arts Education	\$2,000