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Job information website redesigned

The Louisiana Workforce Commission has redesigned Louisiana Virtual OneStop.

LWC Executive Director Curt Eysink said the upgrades would provide better access to workforce information with a cleaner and more streamlined experience. The Web portal can be entered through LWC's website at <http://www.laworks.net>.

So far this year, the portal has had 286,830 registered individual users and nearly 10,000 employer users.

Morgan City campus building being built

A classroom building and lab facility is under construction at the Young Memorial Campus at 900 Youngs Road in Morgan City.

A groundbreaking was held by South Central Louisiana Technical College and Louisiana Community and Technical College System. The new campus development is a \$5.98 million project and includes a 23,000-square-foot expansion targeted for completion in June.

The facility will house health-care, computer networking and developmental studies classes; business services; student affairs; and administrative offices.

Magazine opens Bluebonnet office

MatureWomanNow Online Magazine and the Woman2Woman Now monthly print publication opened at 6912 Bluegrass Drive. Co-owners are Simone Higginbotham and Nicole Jones.

Hours of operation are 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. The phone number is (225) 266-8577, and the website is <http://www.maturewomanow.com>.

Louisiana Healthcare going in United Plaza

Stirling Properties has leased 39,077 square feet of office space at United Plaza XII, Suite 310, to Louisiana Healthcare Connections Inc. The suite will be ready in spring 2012 in the three-story building at 8555 Archives Blvd. Stirling is the management and leasing firm for the United Plaza Office Park on Essen Lane.

Louisiana Jump\$tart to honor employers

The Louisiana Jump\$tart Coalition developed a program to recognize companies that provide financial literacy as an added benefit to their employees.

The program is accepting applications for businesses or nonprofit organizations, which include state and local government agencies. Louisiana Jump\$tart modeled its program after the Workplace Committee-Honor Roll Program, by the President's Advisory Council on Financial Literacy.

Eligibility criteria and the application form can be found at <http://www.louisianajumpstart.org>. Forms should be emailed to louisianajumpstart@gmail.com by March 1. Honorees will be announced in April.

Albemarle, LSU work on research method

Researchers from specialty chemical company Albemarle Corp., LSU and the Center for Advanced Microstructures and Devices have developed new techniques in flame retardant and synergist analysis.