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## **Jefferson Chamber draws over 700 to New Orleans Saints Training Facility**

**METAIRIE, LA** – March 24, 2014 – More than 700 guests joined the Jefferson Chamber to party on the turf of the New Orleans Saints indoor training facility at its Annual Gala on Friday, March 21st. The event, presented by Ochsner Health System and hosted by the New Orleans Saints and Pelicans, featured an open bar, hors d'oeuvres by Pigeon Catering, over 90 silent auction items, dancing and live musical entertainment by The Band Mojeaux. Patrons also had the opportunity to take photos with the Lombardi trophy, a Super Bowl XLIV ring, and Saints mascots, Gumbo and Sir Saint.

The evening kicked off with an invite-only VIP Reception, sponsored by Rault Resources Group, where the Jefferson Chamber honored the late Joseph Rault, Jr. for his contributions to the Jefferson Chamber and community.

Henry Shane was also honored during the gala by the Jefferson Community Foundation for his unparalleled leadership, service and giving to the Jefferson Parish Community.

Proceeds from the event support the business organization's efforts in public policy advocacy and quality of life initiatives.

Thank you to the 2014 Jefferson Chamber Annual Gala Sponsors, which included: Ochsner Health System, New Orleans Saints & Pelicans, Adams and Reese LLP, Atmos Energy, Buisson Creative Strategies, Chehardy Sherman, Cort Furniture, Cox Communications, East Jefferson General Hospital, Entergy, Fidelity Homestead, First NBC, Hospital Corporation of America, Jefferson Financial, Marco outdoor Advertising, Metairie Bank, Nicoll's Limousine, Peoples Health, Pigeon Caterers, Postlethwaite & Netterville, Rault Resources Group, Raymond James at the Galleria, See-Hear Productions, Select Properties, Southwest Airlines, Whitney Bank, and Zito Companies.

### **About the Jefferson Chamber:**

The [Jefferson Chamber](http://www.jeffersonchamber.org) is a leading voice for Jefferson Parish's business community. As a non-profit, membership-driven organization, the Chamber is an effective advocate for small and large businesses at the local, state and federal levels. The Chamber's mission is to work for the advancement of the business community; to enhance the economic, civic and cultural environment; and to improve the quality of life in Jefferson Parish. The Jefferson Chamber is Four-Star Accredited by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and was awarded the 2013 Chamber of the Year Award by the Louisiana Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives in the Large Chamber Category.

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