

## BUSINESS *Spotlight*

# Convenience and dependability define Watson pharmacy

By Helen Wale Turner

Bernard's Family Pharmacy was the realization of a dream for owners, Bernard and Beverly Saltaformaggio. The couple has resided in Watson since 1981 after being drawn to the area because of the excellent schools. After raising their children in Watson and the Live Oak schools and working as a pharmacist for both chain and local drugstores for 25 years, Bernard decided in 2004 to fulfill his lifelong dream of opening his own pharmacy.

Bernard's is a full-service pharmacy that has grown from just one pharmacist and two pharmacy techs to a full staff that includes three full-time pharmacists, four full-time pharmacy techs and one part-time tech.

"All of our pharmacists and techs are conscientious and caring," stated Bernard, "and I was fortunate to find Darnell Erwin, a lifelong Watson resident, who does a great job as our front-end manager. Our other employees are dependable and hard-working as well."

Bernard's Family Pharmacy is located on LA 1019, just west of LA 16 and next door to Family Health medical offices. Despite Bernard's large sign out front, many people often mistake their neat brick building as also being a doctor's office.

Convenience has been built into every aspect of the business. The store has a drive-through window with pagers which are issued to customers; this allows



Bernard Saltaformaggio and his staff provide a full range of pharmacy services to their customers in the Watson area. Pictured are, front row, Patricia Welch, Saltaformaggio, Kristy Roy, Katie Cutrer and Gina Samples. Second row, Tiffany Arnold, Candy Borne, Darnell Erwin, Lesli Nodurft and Clint Miller. Back row, Chris Klingman. Not pictured are Lauren Bennett, Cheri Simmons and Sandi Townsend.

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