

MONEY

State agency lauds Peddler's Village fundraiser

By SARAH LARSON
COURIER TIMES

\$298 million

First-quarter loss at Eastman
Kodak Co.

The company, which is undergoing a rough transition to digital photography, said it was considering the sale of its health-imaging business after reporting its sixth straight quarterly loss.

Peddler's Village has won a state award for community service for a fundraising event, From Bucks to the Bayou, which was held in November.

The shopping destination near Lahaska won a Pennsylvania Spirit of Hospitality award from the Pennsylvania Tourism & Lodging Association, based in Harrisburg.

"It was just tremendous."

Peddler's Village CEO Chris Leskauskas said this week on his way back from the conference at Penn State, where the award was presented.

From Bucks to the Bayou was Peddler's Village's way of contributing to the Bucks-Mont Bay-Waveland Katrina Relief Project, a community effort to raise money and support for Hancock County, Miss., and its victims of Hurricane Katrina. Peddler's

Village restaurants donated food, servers donated their time and merchants donated goods for a silent auction. Four representatives from Hancock County traveled to Bucks for the event.

When the proceeds were totaled, the event raised \$44,003.99, said Eve Gelman, village spokeswoman. All of it went to the Katrina Relief Project, which is shepherding several projects to benefit Hancock County,

including a new \$1.25 million child development center.

The Spirit of Hospitality awards were given in eight categories. Peddler's Village won for community service, an award for programs that benefit charities, reflect service to the community or are part of a joint undertaking with a community group to benefit the community.

Sarah Larson can be reached at 215-345-3187 or sarson@phillyburbs.com.

satellite TV company lost \$41.4 million a year earlier.

\$298 million

First-quarter loss at Eastman
Kodak Co.

The company, which is undergoing a rough transition to digital photography, said it was considering the sale of its health-imaging business after reporting its sixth straight quarterly loss.

Editor: Rose Venditti McIver, 215-949-4207, rmciver@phillyburbs.com