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**April 2007**

**Kirksville Leadership Institute and  
Kirksville Youth Leadership Institute  
Travel to the State Capital**

Other Chamber representatives traveling to Jefferson City included, Debi Boughton, Virginia Halterman, Deb Wheeler, Cathy Rethmeier, and Alisa Kigar.

**Kirksville Youth Leadership Institute Students:** Vanessa Conner, Alaura Cowart, Jessica Findling, Nick Farley, Sara Fitzgerald, Taylor Grimm, Joseph Gruber, Taylor Halterman, Jourdain Johns, Samantha King, Matthew Koch, Megan McClanahan, Adam Morton, Kristin Palmisano, Carlee Pipes, Samantha Preston, Jessica Reil, Sarah Rice, Christina Scudder, Patience Smith, Sara Smith, Sunshine Sutherland, Michaila Vorkink, and Joey Spencer

**Kirksville Leadership Institute Students:** Doug Brown, Hector Contreras, Steve Farnsworth, John Garlock, Jeff Hall, Deanna Hunsaker, Susan Keim, Tim Krouse, Bryan Krusniak, Judy Lene, Mindy Long, Dean Maag, Peggy Parks, David Ramsey, Loren Rials, Chuck Thomas, Bryan Voigts, Renee Wachter, and Sandra Williams.

Recently, the newly organized Kirksville Youth Leadership Institute (KYLI) and the adult counterpart, Kirksville Leadership Institute (KLI) traveled to Jefferson City to study state government. The group visited with officials from Department of Transportation, Department of Economic Development, Department of Conservation, and Division of Tourism. The group toured the Supreme Court Building and the Capitol Building and visited with Senator Shoemyer and Representative McClanahan. The group ended the day with ice cream from Central Dairy.



**April Business After Hours  
Thursday, April 26, 2007  
5-7 p.m.**

**Kirksville Arts Center—117 South Franklin St.**

**Sponsored by**

**Ameren UE and Kirksville Arts Association**



# April 2007 Calendar of Events



- April 2 **Tourism Advisory Board Meeting**  
3:30 p.m.; Bank of Kirksville, Conf. Rm.
- April 3 **Governmental Affairs Meeting,**  
7:30 a.m.; Adair County Annex
- April 3 **Ribbon Cutting; 11 a.m.**  
Jefferson St. 24 Hr. Gym and Tanning  
915 East Jefferson
- April 2-6 **Easter Prayer Breakfasts**  
7 a.m.; First Christian Church
- April 6 **Chamber Office CLOSED**
- April 5 **Fourth of July Festival Planning**  
Committee Meeting; 1:15 p.m.  
Kirksville TCRC Conference Room
- April 7 **Kirksville Parks/ YMCA Easter**  
**Egg Hunt; 10 a.m.;** Truman State Quad
- April 9 **Truman State University Spring Break**
- April 9 **Executive Committee Meeting**  
8 a.m. Chamber Temporary Office
- April 10 **Ribbon Cutting; 6 p.m.**  
Ray Miller Elementary School
- April 13 **ATSU Still Spirit Awards**  
5:30 p.m.; Still Commons
- April 14 **Adair County Historical Society**  
**Spring Fling Dinner, 4 p.m.;** Days Inn
- April 14 **YMCA Healthy Kids Fun Run**  
2 p.m.; Adair County Family YMCA
- April 16 **Chamber Board Meeting** 11:30 a.m.;  
American Trust Bank Basement Conf. Rm.
- April 17 **KLI and KYLI**
- April 20 **Daddy Daughter Dance 7-10 p.m.**  
NEMO Fairgrounds
- April 20 **American Cancer Society Relay**  
**for Life, 6 p.m.-6 a.m.**  
NEMO Fairgrounds
- April 21 **Girl Scout Annual Meeting**  
9 a.m.-2 p.m.; El Kadir Shrine Club
- April 21 **Kohlenberg Lyceum, Truman**  
**Showcase, 7:30 p.m.;** Truman State  
Baldwin Hall
- April 21 **High School Junior Visit Event**  
Truman State University
- April 24 **NEMO Job Fair, 12-6 p.m.**  
NEMO Fairgrounds
- April 26 **Ribbon Cutting; RSC Equipment**  
10 a.m.; 3008 N. Baltimore
- April 27 **Adair County Historical Society**  
**Cyclone Day**
- April 28 **Orthopedic and Burn Screening**  
**Clinic; 9 a.m.-noon;** El Kadir Shrine  
Club
- April 28 **Round Barn Blues; 4 p.m.**  
Round Barn on Route P
- April 28 **American Heart Walk; 8 a.m.**  
Kirksville R-III Hike Bike Trail

## Happy Anniversary!

The Chamber wishes to thank the following businesses for reaffirming their belief in the  
**Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce!**

A G Edwards  
C & I Home Service  
Cable Technologies  
Gardner-Collier Inc.  
Girl Scouts of the Becky Thatcher Area  
Keith Miller Entertainment  
Kirksville Dental Group  
Kirksville Medical Imaging, Inc  
Kirksville R-III Schools  
Lovegreen Ford Mercury  
Pawsitive Animalworks, LLC  
Reliable Pest Solutions  
Sparks Constructors  
St. Clair Corporation



**Welcome!**

## New Members!

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**Kuler Drugs, LLC**  
**Steve Kuttenkuler**  
**800 W. Jefferson St.**  
**Kirksville, MO**  
**660-665-7239**

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**Superior Home Furnishings**  
**Brian and Jennifer Force**  
**105 S. Church Street**  
**Fayette, MO 65248**  
**660-248-9838**



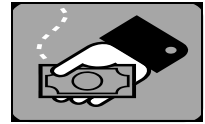
## Chamber Office Remodeling Update

The Chamber office is officially temporarily relocated to 111 W. Jefferson (Jayne Attorney Office) just west of their 304. S. Franklin location. The Board and staff are confident that Chamber members, along with guests to our community will be truly impressed with the renovations, which include new furniture, flooring, ceilings and wall coverings, as well as additional space for a large conference room.

In the mean time, do not hesitate to call on Chamber staff to meet your needs as members. Our phone numbers, mailing address and email addresses remain the same: 304 South Franklin; 660-665-3766 phone; 660-665-3767 fax; kvacoc@cableone.net—chamber email.



# Local Economic Trends\$



This year in the *Community Pride Newsletter*, the Chamber of Commerce will share with Chamber members information and trends from the local economy that may be of interest to you in business in the Kirksville area.

## March 2007 REPORTS

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Source: City of Kirksville  
 -Highway 63 Sales Tax Receipts Recorded, March. '07 \$123,330.33  
 -Feb. New City Business Licenses 13  
 -Feb. New County Business Licenses 6  
 - New Residential Building Permits 0  
 - New Commercial Building Permits 0  
 Source: MERIC  
 www.missourieconomy.org  
 Feb. '07

-Missouri Unemployment Rate 5.4%  
 -Adair County Unemployment Rate 4.8%  
 -Adair County # of Unemployed 608

Source: Northeast Regional Medical Center  
 February Births at NRMC 42

Source: Kirksville  
 Gasoline prices Last month  
 \$2.38 \$2.09  
 Essential Air Service (local commercial passengers)  
 Feb.'07 227 passengers

### ANNOUNCING NEMO JOB FAIR - Tuesday, April 24th -

The Community and Economic Development Committee of the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the Missouri Career Center in Kirksville is pleased to host its third NEMO Job Fair on **Tuesday, April 24th from noon to 6 p.m.** at the multi-purpose building of the NEMO Fairground, Hwy. 11 East—Kirksville.

The previous two job fairs have hosted approximately 30 employers and 200 job seekers. One employer stated, "We were highly pleased with the caliber of hires that we were able to make from this resource."

Additional sponsors include: Missouri Employer Committee, Kirksville; DED Division of Workforce Development; CareLink; KTRM Radio, K-REDI; and NEMO Workforce Investment Board.

## ENTREPRENEURSHIP 101

**Start-Up and Consulting Business Seminar  
 Wednesday, May 2, 2007**

**Cost: \$25.00**

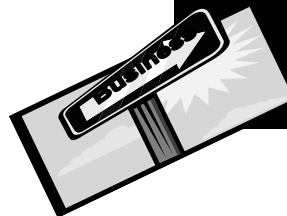
Kirksville TCRC, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

315 S. Franklin

Steve Holt, Facilitator

Lunch sponsored by Ameren UE

## CHAMBER AT WORK



Your Chamber of Commerce staff have been tracking office traffic, phone calls and a variety

of other requests received in your Chamber office. Your Chamber of Commerce is open five days a week, eight hours a day to benefit you, your community and your business. **February 2007**

Phone calls—213

**Requests:**

- Kirksville Maps—21
- Calendar of Events—36
- Clubs & Organiz. List—3
- Phone Books—23
- Chamber Directory—15
- General Community Info—8
- Rental Listings—11
- Relocation Packet—14
- Membership Packet—3
- Tourism Information—11
- NEMO Fair dates—3
- Spring Expo—21
- Hunt./Fish. Brochure —2
- Walk-ins —66
- Referrals—9

United Way Info.—2

Emails: 531

**Miscellaneous Requests:**

- Crest Haven, TCRC, NEMO Trader, bar in Green City, newspapers in Unionville; Lancaster & Memphis, KLIFE, spring trash pick up, Blood Drive, community service opportunities, Miss Kirksville, Farmers Market, tax help, demographics, damage report, ribbon cutting photos, car wash at quarters, Indian restaurant, portable toilets, Food Pantry, United Way Banquet, fiberglass storm shelter . . .