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## August 2007



**Debra Boughton**

### **TOURISM PROGRAM In Good Hands**

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and Tourism Advisory Board are pleased to announce the employment of Debi Boughton as the new Tourism Coordinator. Boughton began her duties in this position in July.

The Tourism Coordinator position is funded through the 3.6% lodging tax that is collected by every lodging establishment on every room in the City of Kirksville. The tax was passed by the voters of Kirksville last August and collections of the tax began in January 2007.

The Tourism Coordinator will be responsible to develop tourism opportunities in the Kirksville area through four main audiences: 1) small market meetings/conventions; 2) group/motor coach travel; 3) underutilized hunting seasons; and 4) sports related tourism.

Boughton previously served as the part-time Project Coordinator for the Chamber of Commerce. Boughton holds a Bachelors degree in Political Science and a Juris Doctorate in Law. Debi and husband, Chuck, live in Kirksville and have three children. The Chamber will be seeking to fill the position Boughton left vacant, in the near future.



Wendy McBee, Carol Byars, and Alisa Kigar



Carol Byars, Operations Supervisor for the Kirksville Atmos Energy local operations office, along with Wendy McBee, Operations Assistant, recently made a sizeable contribution to the Chamber of Commerce to purchase display racks for the newly remodeled Chamber of Commerce office.

The new display racks complement the beautiful remodel of the office and allow Chamber member materials to be efficiently displayed in the office lobby. Thanks Atmos!



**August Business After Hours**  
**Friday, August 10th • Kirksville Country Club**  
5-7 p.m. • Sponsored by Computerland and CableOne



# August 2007 Calendar of Events



- Aug. 1** Tourism Advisory Board Mtg.  
8:00 a.m. Chamber Office
- Aug. 3** Ribbon Cutting; Fantastic Finds  
10 a.m.; 307 N. Elson
- Aug. 3** Summer on the Square  
7 p.m.; Blue VooDoo
- Aug. 4** Kiwanis Farmers Market  
7 a.m.; Downtown Kirksville
- Aug. 4** KRXL Car Cruise & Show  
10 a.m. Downtown Kirksville
- Aug. 10** Chamber Golf Tournament  
11:30 a.m.; Tee Time; KCC  
5—7 p.m. Business After Hours  
Kirksville Country Club
- Aug. 10** Summer on the Square  
7 p.m.; Anthony Clark
- Aug. 11** Kiwanis Farmers Market  
7 a.m.; Downtown Kirksville
- Aug. 13** Chamber Executive Committee  
8 am.; Chamber Office
- Aug. 15** Downtown Improvement Committee; 5 p.m.; Chamber Office
- Aug. 15** Comm. & Economic Development Committee, 4 p.m.; Chamber Office
- Aug. 16—18** Carnival Rides; Downtown
- Aug. 17** Summer on the Square  
7 p.m.; Steve Lilley Jazz Trio
- Aug. 17** Dancing with the Stars;  
7 p.m.; Kirksville Moose Lodge
- Aug. 18** Kiwanis Farmers Market
- Aug. 18** New Students Welcome  
4—7 p.m.; Downtown
- Aug. 18** ATSU White Coat Ceremony  
2 p.m.; Truman's Baldwin Auditorium
- Aug. 20** Chamber Board Meeting  
11:30 a.m.; Chamber office
- Aug. 20** Truman Week Begins
- Aug. 21** Kirksville RIII Classes Begin
- Aug. 21** ATSU Classes Begin
- Aug. 22** MACC Classes Begin
- Aug. 24** Summer on the Square  
7 p.m.; Tiger Pans
- Aug. 25** Kiwanis Farmers Market  
7 a.m.; Downtown Kirksville
- Aug. 25** Annual Jewels Garage Sale  
8 a.m.—1 p.m.; Shrine Club
- Aug. 27** Truman Classes Begin

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For more community calendar events,  
go to the Chamber's website at  
[www.kirksvillechamber.com](http://www.kirksvillechamber.com)  
click on community calendar/view community calendar.

## Happy Anniversary!

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

Ameriprise Financial  
Assist To Sell Buyers & Sellers Realty  
Benton & Associates  
Bill & Karen Morrow  
Bob Reed  
Chariton Laboratory Services  
Community Opportunities, Inc.  
Curves  
Ed & Nettie Carpenter  
Frick & Cundiff, P.C.  
Giovannini, Inc.  
Hospice of Northeast Missouri  
Hunter's Edge  
Hy-Vee Food & Drug Store  
James & Jean Elliott  
Joyce Otten  
Kentucky Fried Chicken /A&W  
KIRX/KRXL/KTUF Radio  
Lakeside Estates and Villages  
Lovegreen Ford Mercury  
Mark Twain Area Counseling  
Maurices  
NEMO Senior Citizens  
Pancake City  
Premier Home Health Care  
Quota of Kirksville  
Sears  
Timber Ridge Community Church  
Watkins Products  
Western's Meat Market & Smokehouse  
Westlake's Ace Hardware  
Wooden Nickel Restaurant

## *Downtown Carnival August 16th, 17th, & 18th*



The City of Kirksville Parks and Rec Department along with the Chamber of Commerce are pleased to have invited the Evans Carnival from Texas to Downtown Kirksville August 16—18th. The carnival rides will be operating on Thursday night, all day Friday and Saturday. Arm bands will be for sale.

Many local organizations will be serving concessions as well, and there will be plenty of local entertainment.

On Saturday from 4—7 p.m. the community and businesses will be welcoming back students around the courthouse lawn.

# Welcome New Members!

## Faith United Methodist Church

Sheila Swafford, pastor ♦ 1602 East Illinois  
Kirksville ♦ 660-665-7800

## Graphic Impressions

Pam Harrelson  
908 N. Franklin  
Kirksville ♦ 660-627-6255  
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## Heartland Wildlife Ranches

Kim Souther  
18503 St. Hwy. VV  
Ethel, MO 63539  
660-486-3215  
info@heartland-wildlife.com  
www.heartland-wildlife.com

## Twins Hunting Lodge

Donald & Konrad Stein  
Rt. 1 Box 120  
Glenwood, MO 63541  
660-457-2007  
thl@nemr.net  
www.twins-hunting.com

## Kirksville Regional Economic Development

KREDI ♦ Phil Tate  
PO Box 783  
Kirksville MO 63501  
660-665-2003

## MFA Oil and Propane

Gary Clark & Tim Findling  
3715 N. Baltimore  
Kirksville ♦ 660-665-3816  
kirksville@mfaoil.com

## Oakwood Industries

Travis Martin  
Hwy. 136  
Memphis MO 63555  
Oakwood@afo.net  
660-465-2068

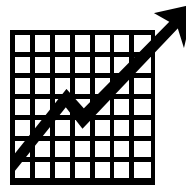
## Gene & Ginny Schneider

917 E. Randolph  
Kirksville ♦ 660-665-7298  
gschneider@sbcglobal.net

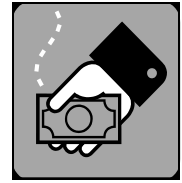
## **Picturesque Kirksville**

### **"Souvenir Gems of 1900 As Seen Through the Camera"**

This historic picture book has been reprinted for Kirksville's 150th Birthday. The picture book has 150 pictures. Books may be purchased at the Chamber office or Historical Society for \$15. The 1939 DVD's are for sale at the Chamber office as well.



## Local Economic Trend\$



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.

## August 2007 REPORTS

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Source: City of Kirksville

-July New City Business

Licenses 17

-July New County Business

Licenses 4

- New Residential

Building Permits 2

- New Commercial

Building Permits 0

Source: MERIC

www.missourieconomy.org

May '07

-Missouri

Unemployment Rate 4.3%

-Adair County

Unemployment Rate 4.2%

-Adair County

# of Unemployed 569

Source: Northeast Regional

Medical Center

June Births at NRMC

36

Source: Kirksville

Gasoline prices Last month

\$2.99 \$2.84

Essential Air Service

(local commercial passengers)

June '07

244 passengers

"Simply Christmas"

*Taste of Home*  
**cooking school**  
*made easy*

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