

Executive Director: Alisa R. Kigar

February 2009



TOURISM AWARDS

Randy Smith & David Hall from the Kirksville Air Festival Committee were awarded the outstanding Tourism Ambassadors for Kirksville from the Tourism Division of the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce. Pictured with the award winners are the 2009 Chamber President Mac McCord, Cottage Grove B & B, and Debi Boughton, Tourism Director.



Amber Lupton from Amazing Relief Massage Therapy was awarded the Ambassador of the Year; **Casey Higgins** from Hy-Vee Food & Drug was awarded the Employee of the Year; and **Mark Whitney** from the Century 21 Whitney Agency was awarded the Chamber's highest award, the Hall of Fame. Pictured with the award winners are 2009 Chamber President Mac McCord, Cottage Grove B & B, and Alisa Kigar, Executive Director.

Thanks to our banquet photographers: Missouri Moments Photography & NEMO Photography.



FEBRUARY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Friday, February 6, 2009

5-7 p.m. at NEMO Fairgrounds Multi-Purpose Building

Sponsored by KIRX/KRXL/KTUF—Ag Show



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Feb. 1-21	North Missouri Harmonies Photo Contest Exhibit -Kirksville Arts Assoc.
Feb. 3	Governmental Affairs Committee Mtg. 7:30 a.m.; Chamber office
Feb. 3	KREDI Annual Meeting 5 p.m.; El Kadir Shrine Club
Feb. 3	United Way –Campaign Celebration 6 p.m.; SUB Georgian Room
Feb. 4	Tourism Advisory Board Meeting 8 a.m.; Chamber office
Feb. 5	July 4th Committee Meeting 1:15 p.m.; Chamber office
Feb. 5	Tourism Photo Contest & Rebecca McClanahan Reception 5 p.m.; Kirksville Arts Association
Feb. 6	Business After Hours NEMO Fairgrounds; 5—7 p.m. Sponsored by KIRX/KRXL/KTUF
Feb. 7	KIRX/KRXL/KTUF Ag Show 9 a.m.—4 p.m.; NEMO Fairgrounds
Feb. 7	Miss Kirksville Scholarship Pageant 7 p.m.; Baldwin Hall, Truman campus
Feb. 10	Kirksville Day at the Capitol Jefferson City
Feb. 10	Northeast Regional Medical Center Cardiac Cath. Lab– Ribbon Cutting 10 a.m.; See enclosed flier for details
Feb. 10	Retail Merchants Committee Meeting 8:30 a.m.; Chamber office
Feb. 12	Ribbon Cutting–Tranquil Seasons 11 a.m.; 108 W. Harrison
Feb. 13 & 14th	Madrigal Dinner , 6:30 p.m.; TSU SUB
Feb. 16	President’s Day ; Chamber office closed
Feb. 17	Chamber Executive Committee Meeting 8 a.m., Chamber office
Feb. 18	Community & Economic Development Committee Meeting 4 p.m.; Chamber office
Feb. 20	TGIF—State of the County Address 7:30 a.m. coffee/donuts; 8 a.m. address Adair County Annex, 300 N. Franklin
Feb. 20	Annual Hospice Gala 8-11 p.m.; El Kadir Shrine Club
Feb. 23	Board of Directors Meeting 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.; Chamber office
Feb. 24	Truman Lyceum—The Mikado 7:30 p.m.; Baldwin Auditorium
Feb. 25	Gala Lincoln Bicentennial Concert 8 p.m.; TSU, OP Performance Hall
Feb. 25-28	Curtain Call Theatre Co. Dinner Theatre–Laundry & Bourbon and Lone Star ; 6 p.m.; Journal Building
Feb. 27	Kirksville Leadership Institute Retreat ; Meadowlands Lodge, Atlanta
Feb. 28	Tri-Rivers Planned Parenthood, “An Evening for Chocolate Lovers” 6:30-9:00 p.m.; Kirksville Arts Assoc.

For more information on these events and many more, visit
www.kirksvillechamber.com/calendar

Happy Anniversary!

The Chamber wishes to thank the following businesses for reaffirming their belief in their Chamber of Commerce

Adair County Public Library
Ameren UE
Atmos Energy
B & H Petroleum
Myra Baiotto
Bruce Normile Juvenile Justice Center
Chariton Valley Handicap Association
Commercial Envelope Mfg./Cenveo
Bill & Mary Kay Crnic
Davis Playle-Hudson Rimer Funeral Home
Edna Campbells
Elliott Pharmacy, Inc.
Frick & Cundiff, P.C.
Gardner Accounting
Gardner Collier Jewelry
Golden Eagle Distributing
Grossnickle Insurance
Hanger Prosthetics/Orthotics
Harden, Cummins, Moss & Miller, LLC
Harding & Associates
Hightower Wholesale
Hy-Vee Food & Drug Store
International Eyecare Center
Kirksville Gardens
Kirksville Mini Storage
Kirlin’s
KIRX/KRXL/KTUF Radio
Ray & Judie Klingensmith
KTVO Television
KWIX/KRES/KIRK Radio
KYOU Fox 15 TV
Lloyd Distributing
Lovegreen Ford Chrysler
Maritz Research
Nelson Maytag Home Appliance Center
Prodentol
Sieren’s Palace
Sparks Cleaners
St. Andrew’s Apartments
State Farm-Williams
Templeton, Barrow, and Swedberg
Kent & Ronda Troester
Truman State University
Twin Pines Adult Care Center
Walgreens
Whitney Harrison Insurance, Inc.
Rita Williams

--- WHY RENEW?

- Involve yourself with Chamber activities—involvement adds value to your membership and creates opportunities for you to market your company to other members.
- Inform yourself and others about the Kirksville area through our publications and reference materials.

Just a few reasons to continue to invest in your Chamber of Commerce. Watch this column, this year, for even more reasons.

Welcome New Members!

Carolán Hunting

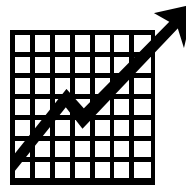
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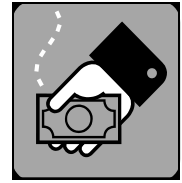
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Local Economic Trend\$



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.

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Source: City of Kirksville

-Highway 63 Sales Tax Receipts

Recorded, November 2008

\$100,602.46

-December New City Business

Licenses

8

-Dec. New County Business

Licenses

5

- New Residential

Building Permits

1

- New Commercial

Building Permits

0

Source: MERIC

www.missourieconomy.org

November 08'most updated

-Missouri

Unemployment Rate

6.4%

-Adair County

Unemployment Rate

5.3%

-Adair County

of Unemployed

653

Source: Northeast Regional

Medical Center

December Births at NRMCC

40

Source: Kirksville

Gasoline prices

Last month

\$1.69

\$1.48

Essential Air Service/December

(local commercial passengers) 120



SPRING EXPO

Saturday, March 28th

8 a.m.—4 p.m.

NEMO Fairgrounds

There is still exhibit space available. Make plans now to exhibit at the Chamber's Spring Expo on Saturday, March 28, 2009. Plans are now being made for the annual event that is expected to be bigger and better than ever. Please call the Chamber office (665-3766) and talk with Sandra to reserve your booth.

8' x 12' booth space

Chamber members - \$250

Non-Chamber members - \$350

Friday, March 27th— Business After Hours

Sponsored by

Hy-Vee Food and Drug

Peters Heating and Air Conditioning

This is a great opportunity for businesses, services, and organizations to showcase your products and services to well over 1,300 potential customers in less than 24-hours.



TUESDAY, MAY 5TH

The Crossing Church

810 Shepherd Avenue

Kirksville

The Chamber is thrilled to have been asked to bring back the very popular Taste of Home Cooking School this spring. Taste of Home officials were recently in Kirksville to make plans for the May 5th event and we want you to save the date on your calendar. Tickets will be on sale starting April 1st and tickets will be from \$15-\$25 each. Watch this website for further info and updates www.tasteofhome.com/Cooking-Schools/Find-a-Class/Show-Detail/MO/Kirksville/2806

