

Executive Director: Alisa R. Kigar

January 2008

*You are invited to the
Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce
Annual Banquet
Thursday, January 31, 2008
at the Days Inn (Hwy. 63 South)*



Cost is \$20 per person

*Reservations and payment can be made to the
Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Office at
304 S. Franklin*

*Kirksville, MO 63501
by Friday, January 18, 2008
(businesses may reserve tables of eight)*



*Social Hour begins at 6:00 p.m.
Meal, Awards and Entertainment
6:30—8:30 p.m.*

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR



HALL OF FAME

AWARDS



Do you have an exceptional employee that you would like to honor? The Chamber is once again soliciting nominations for the award of Employee of the Year to be awarded at the Jan. 31st Annual Banquet.

Do you know of a person in the community that is worthy of the Hall of Fame award? This award will also be recognized at the Annual Banquet. See the Chamber's website for nomination forms, www.kirkvillechamber.com.

All nomination forms are due by January 11th.



Upcoming Business After Hours

Friday, February 1, 2008

NEMO Fairgrounds Ag Show
Sponsored by KIRX/KTUF/KRXL

Friday, March 28, 2008

NEMO Fairgrounds Spring Expo
Sponsored by Hy-Vee Food & Drug and Peters Heating & Air Conditioning



January 2008 Calendar of Events



- Jan. 1 **Happy New Year**
Chamber Office Closed
- Jan. 7 **KCOM Classes Resume**
- Jan. 8 **Governmental Affairs Committee**
7:30 a.m. Chamber Office
- Jan. 8 **Retail Merchants Committee Mtg.**
9:30 a.m. Chamber office
- Jan. 14 **Truman State University Classes Resume**
- Jan. 16 **Tourism Advisory Board Mtg.**
8 a.m. Chamber office
- Jan. 16 **Economic & Comm. Dev. Comm. Mtg.**
4 p.m. Chamber office
- Jan. 18 **State of the City Address**
8 a.m. Adair County Annex
- Jan. 19 **Sportsman's Expo, NEMO Fairgrounds**
8 a.m.—4 p.m.
- Jan. 21 **Martin Luther King Day**
Chamber Office Closed
- Jan. 23 **Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Lunch**
11:30 a.m. Truman Georgian Rm.
- Jan. 25 **United Way Banquet**
6 p.m. Truman Georgian Rm.
- Jan. 28 **Chamber Board Meeting**
11:30 a.m. Chamber office
- Jan. 31 **Chamber Annual Banquet—Days Inn**
6 p.m. Social; 6:30 p.m. Banquet



Looking Ahead

- Feb. 1 **Business After Hours**
NEMO Fairgrounds, 5—7 p.m.
Sponsored by KIRX/KRXL/KTUF
- Feb. 2 **KIRX/KRXL/KTUF Ag Show**
NEMO Fairgrounds
- Feb. 2 **Miss Kirksville Scholarship Pageant**
Baldwin Hall, Truman campus
- Feb. 15 **State of the County Address**
8 a.m. Adair County Annex

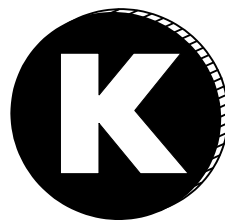
For more information on
community events, click on

www.kirksvillechamber.com/calendar

Happy Anniversary!

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

American Family Insurance-Collop
American Family Insurance-Mangini
Copy Systems – Business Center
Bill & Mary Kay Crnic
El Kadir Shrine Club
El Vaquero Mexican Restaurant
Fouch's Christmas Tree Farm
Galloway Lumber Do It Center
Golden Automotive, LLC
Gordon & Motter Construction, Inc.
John W. Gillum, CPA, LLC
Kirksville Gardens
Kirksville Rotary Club
Learning Opportunities, Inc.
LEK Jewelry
Loren Hatfield Body & Frame
NEMO Fair Association
New Concepts Open MRI, LLC
Northeast Regional Medical Center
Ortech Company
Ray Klinginsmith, Attorney
The Law Offices of Patrick E. Richardson
Thousand Hills Rotary Club
Tri-County Electric
Walgreens



KIRK\$VILLE CASH

Shop local.
It just makes cents

Buy your Kirksville Cash at the Chamber office and give as incentives, service awards, volunteer awards or safety awards for your employees. See newsletter insert for more details.



Community

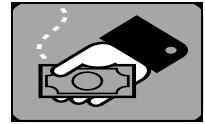
Unity Luncheon

Wednesday, January 23rd

The local planning committee for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is planning the annual Community Unity Lunch on the Truman State University Campus Georgian Room on Wednesday, January 23rd. The buffet lunch cost is \$7.50 per person. Serving begins at 11:30 a.m. Call Truman Public Relations at 785-4016 to make reservations.



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.

February 2008 REPORTS

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Source: City of Kirksville

- Highway 63 Sales Tax Receipts Recorded, Dec. '07 \$85,601.77
- Nov. New City Business Licenses 14
- Nov. New County Business Licenses 6
- New Residential Building Permits 1
- New Commercial Building Permits 1

Source: MERIC
www.missourieconomy.org
Dec '07

- Missouri Unemployment Rate 5.5%
- Adair County Unemployment Rate 4.2
- Adair County # of Unemployed 566

Source: Northeast Regional Medical Center
November Births at NRMC 38

Source: Kirksville

Gasoline prices	Last month
\$2.89	\$2.92

New Essential Air Service
Dec. '07 242 passengers



2008



Sportsman's Expo

January 19, 2008
NEMO Fairgrounds
Hwy 11 East ♦ Kirksville
Exhibit Hall open: 8 a.m.—4 p.m.

Seminars - Presentations

9 a.m.—12 p.m. and 1—3 p.m.

Barry Wensel, Bow Hunting Expert
www.brothersofthebow.com

Chris Blackledge, QDMA
“Aging Whitetail Deer on the Hoof”

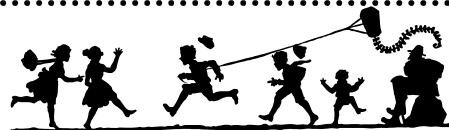
Craig Stankey, PSE Archery, Bow Specialist
Tad Brown, Flambeau Decoys, Predator Caller
Rick Bruder & Jake Tippee, Ardent Reels

Free Certified Antler Scoring
Bring your deer trophies
Get them scored for
Boone and Crocket
&
Pope and Young

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- Days Inn ♦ Healthy Woman
- Heritage House Realty—Vicki Benson
- Northeast Regional Medical Center
- Tailor Made Events ♦ The Golden Ruler
- The Willows Lakehouse Retreat



SPRING EXPO
Saturday, March 29th
8 a.m.—4 p.m.
NEMO Fairgrounds

If you are interested in exhibiting at the Spring Expo, please call the Chamber office at 660-665-3766 and request the registration materials.