

Executive Director: Alisa R. Kigar

**July 2008**



*Business Spotlight*



The Chamber has a business card drawing at the Business After Hours event each month. If your card is drawn, you will be invited to submit an article to this newsletter profiling your business. This is an excellent opportunity to get your message out to more than 650 people who receive this publication.

Aflac is a Fortune 500 Company with over 50 years of dedication to its customers. Our local office was established in 2007 and has enjoyed the development and reestablishment of many business relationships in our community.

The core of our business is to provide insurance products and services that can be used to help offset the out-of-pocket expenses which are not managed by primary insurance coverage. Aflac plans are designed to pay cash directly to the individual to help with family expenses which are associated with an injury and/or illness.

Aflac District Sales Coordinator Jeremy Pingel and Associates Harold Forbis and David Hampton – all long time area residents - look forward to serving the growing need and demand for Aflac products in the Northeast Missouri Region.

For more information about the benefits of our policies and services, please call 660-216-3762, or e-mail [jeremy\\_pingel@us.aflac.com](mailto:jeremy_pingel@us.aflac.com).



**JULY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**

**Thursday, July 10, 2008**

5—7 p.m.

**NEMO Fairgrounds, Multi-Purpose Building**

**Sponsored by: NEMO Fair Association**



## July 2008 Calendar of Events



- July 2** Tourism Advisory Board Meeting  
8 a.m.; Chamber Office
- July 3** Forrest-Lewellyn Cemetery Theater  
5:30—7:30 p.m.
- July 4** Splash Bash, 12 noon—2 p.m.; Aqu. Ctr.  
Downtown Parade; 4 p.m.  
BBQ, Community Band Concert, Apple  
Pie Contest/Auction, Essays; 5 p.m.  
Aaron Russell Concert; 7 p.m.  
Fireworks; 9:30 p.m.; Near Country Club
- July 5** Downtown Farmers Market and  
Pancake Breakfast; 7 a.m.  
Car Show; 8:30—11:30 a.m.  
North Park Softball Tournament; 12 noon  
Inflatable Games; 3—8 p.m.  
All American Night at North Park; 6:30—8:30 p.m.  
Celebrity Softball Game; 7 p.m.  
Forrest-Lewellyn Cemetery Theater; 5:30—7:30 p.m.
- July 6** Rotary Park Sundaes on Sunday; 4 p.m.  
Kirksville Community Band Concert; 4:30 p.m.  
Community Patriotic Church Service; 6 p.m.
- July 2—6** Sally Mountain Park Blue Grass Festival  
www.sallymountainshow.com
- July 10** Children's Renaissance Fair; 10:30 a.m.  
Adair County Public Library
- July 10** Business After Hours; 5—7 p.m.  
NEMO Fairgrounds Multi-purpose Bldg
- July 11** Kirksville Leadership Institute
- July 11** Summer on the Square, 7 p.m.  
Stephen Gates
- July 14** Ribbon Cutting; 8 a.m.  
Opening Ceremonies for the NEMO Fair
- July 14-19** NEMO District Fair  
www.nemofair.net
- July 17** 29th Annual TCC/YMCA Twilight 5K  
and Tot Trot; ATSU TCC; 7 p.m.
- July 18** Executive Committee Meeting; 8 a.m.  
Chamber Office
- July 18** Summer on the Square; 7 p.m.  
Kirksville Community Band  
*BBO by Chamber of Commerce*
- July 25-26** Kirksville Sidewalk Sales
- July 25** Disability is Natural Seminar  
Truman SUB Georgian Rm; 8 a.m.—4 p.m.
- July 25** Summer on the Square, 7 p.m.  
Blue Voo Doo
- July 28** Chamber Board Meeting  
11:30 a.m.—1 p.m.; Chamber Office  
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For more information on community events, click on  
[www.kirksvillechamber.com/calendar](http://www.kirksvillechamber.com/calendar)

SAVE THE DATE  
AUGUST 8, 2008

Chamber Golf Tournament  
Kirksville Country Club

See Newsletter Insert for Registration Form.



## Happy Anniversary!

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

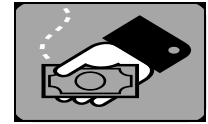
Adair County Title & Escrow  
Adair-Schuyler County Farm Bureau  
Ameriprise Financial  
Casey's General Store  
Dover Rentals  
Dukum Inn & Toons  
Lila Farr Accounting  
First Church of the Nazarene  
Floor Mart  
Tise Frazier-Heritage House Realty  
Jodie L. Gordon, DDS  
Hunter's Edge  
Gaylene Jacobs  
P.E. Jepson Lumber  
Kelly's Furniture and Appliances  
Kirksville Regional Center  
Gary & Claire Lloyd  
Northeast Missouri Health Council, Inc.  
Originals  
PSR Construction  
Pat Pulis  
Rental Service Corporation USA, Inc.  
Sears  
Subway

## WELCOME TO KIRKSVILLE

WELCOME BAGS ~ We need your business' promotional items for "welcome bags" for meetings and conventions in Kirksville this summer and returning students this fall. If you would like to provide items for "welcome bags" to visitors in town for meetings and conventions this summer, we need 500 items delivered to the Chamber office ASAP. You may also provide 1600 items to the Chamber office by July 15th to be placed in "welcome bags" that will be in each new Truman student's dorm room on move in day. If you do not have 1600 items for the new students, contact Heidi Templeton at 785-4242 or [heidi@truman.edu](mailto:heidi@truman.edu) and Truman's PR Department will provide you with a very inexpensive way to produce a coupon/flier for the new students.



# 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.

## July 2008 REPORTS

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Source: City of Kirksville  
 -Highway 63 Sales Tax Receipts  
 Recorded, May '08 \$64,680.35  
 -June New City Business  
 Licenses 15  
 -June New County Business  
 Licenses 0  
 -New Residential  
 Building Permits 3  
 -New Commercial  
 Building Permits 0  
 Source: MERIC  
[www.missourieconomy.org](http://www.missourieconomy.org)  
 May 08'

-Missouri  
 Unemployment Rate 5.7%  
 -Adair County  
 Unemployment Rate 5.3%  
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 # of Unemployed 707  
 Source: Northeast Regional  
 Medical Center  
 June Births at NRMC 40  
 Source: Kirksville  
 Gasoline prices Last month  
 \$3.85 \$3.89  
 Essential Air Service  
 June '08 106 passengers

## Welcome New Members!

### The Grooming Center

616 N. Marion  
 Kirksville, MO 63501  
 660-665-1700  
 Tracy Bender, owner

### Heights Finance Corporation

111 W. Potter Ave.  
 Kirksville, MO 63501  
 660-627-4005  
 Fax 660-627-1371  
[dyangeorge@heightsfinance.com](mailto:dyangeorge@heightsfinance.com)  
[www.heightsfinance.com](http://www.heightsfinance.com)  
 Dyan George, Branch Manager

### Welcome Home Emporium

108 N. Franklin  
 Kirksville, MO 63501  
 660-665-6116  
 Fax 660-665-6116  
[welcomhome@marktwain.net](mailto:welcomhome@marktwain.net)  
 Jeana Coin, owner



## TOURISM TIDBITS!

BY DEBI BOUGHTON

The 2008 "Seasons of Tourism" photo contest was sponsored by State Rep. Rebecca McClanahan's office, Kirksville Chamber of Commerce Tourism Division, and the Kirksville Arts Association. The 86 entries in this year's photo contest were on display at the Kirksville Arts Center for a month-long exhibit. The judges were Aaron Fine, Ophelia Parrish Art Gallery Director, Frank Oberle, Nature Photographer, and Barbara Berendzen, Teacher.

Winners of the photo contest were: Tranquility Base by Curtis Van Wye; Forest Lake in Fog by Lanny Morley; and Autumn Harvest by Pam Harrelson.

Honorable Mention was awarded to: Master Catch by Ray Jagger; Refraction by Ed Tilinski; Splash Happy by George Barlow; Autumn Pond by Patricia Kreps; Red Bud in Bloom by Monarch Viceroy; Great and Small by Larry and Carol Byars; Winter Wonderland by Sue and Jack Magruder; Spring Grandeur by Martin Ayers; Birds in a Blizzard by Monarch Viceroy; First Ride by Ray Jagger; Around the Bend by Curtis Van Wye; Always Together by Ed Tilinski; Time Trough the Trees by Emily Tharp.

Next year's contest will be in early 2009. The theme will be "People Make the Difference."