

Executive Director: Alisa R. Kigar

June 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.

Balloontique—Balloons and Clowns, Liz & Bill Sterling

Balloontique, is a home based Balloon Decorating business owned and operated by Liz Sterling and her son Bill Sterling since 2007. Both Liz and Bill have a passion for being creative, and have been involved with balloon twisting for several years. Balloon Decorating is a natural progression to continue our love for working with balloons. Liz and Bill are currently working towards, and anticipating becoming “Certified Balloon Artists” in the near future. Liz has completed her coursework and is awaiting a date for the practical exams for certification while Bill is just beginning his coursework.

Balloontique specializes in balloon decorations for events and large scale parties. We enjoy creating a fun, unique, zany atmosphere sure to be remembered by those in attendance. Balloon decorations can also bring an element of elegance to formal events, and weddings, and we are happy to design and create just about anything you can imagine. Balloontique owners, Liz and Bill enjoy discussing ideas for decorating, and are eager to create memorable decorations for your next event or large scale party. Anything from arches and pillars, fun or elegant, or just about anything in between can be created, walls, backdrops, props and logos can all be created using balloons. Contact Balloontique at 660-445-2034 to discuss your next event.



June Business After Hours
Thursday, June 12th
5—7 p.m.

NEMO Fairgrounds, Outside Pavilion



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June 2008 Calendar of Events



June 1	Kirksville Downtown Improvement Comm. Mtg.; 5:30 p.m. Adair County Annex
June 3	Governmental Affairs Comm. Mtg. 7:30 a.m.; Chamber Office
June 4	Tourism Advisory Board Meeting 8 a.m.; Chamber Office
June 5	Lunch & Learn, "ETC ComputerLand Website Builder" 12 noon—1 p.m. Kirksville TCRC
June 5	Fourth of July Planning Committee Mtg. 1:15 p.m.; Chamber Office
June 6-7	Hands of Friendship Quilt Show Adair County YMCA
June 6	Summer on the Square, 7 p.m. Kirksville Community Chorus
June 7	NEMO Antique Car Show Wal-Mart parking lot
June 7	ATSU School of Health Management Graduation; 10 a.m. Truman Ophelia Parrish; Patch Adams, MD, speaker
June 8	Tea to Remember, 2—4 p.m. Kirksville Arts Association Building
June 9	Chamber Executive Committee Meeting 8 a.m.; Chamber Office
June 10	Retail Merchants Committee 8:30 a.m.; Chamber Office
June 10	Ribbon Cutting, 10:30 a.m. Adair Co. Historical Society Signage Downtown Kirksville
June 12	Route 63 Alt. Route Public Meeting 4—7 p.m. MO Dept. of Conservation
June 12	Business After Hours; 5—7 p.m. NEMO Fairgrounds
June 13	Summer on the Square; 7 p.m. The Spidles, Country & Gospel
June 14	Book Signing, 1—3 p.m. "SNAFUS & Love Letters," Heartland WWII Veteran Maurice Stamps; Vintage Book Shoppe 201 N. Franklin, Kirksville
June 16	Chamber Board Meeting 11:30 a.m.—1 p.m.; Chamber Office
June 18	Economic Development Committee 4 p.m.; Chamber Office
June 19	TCRC 10th Anniversary Open House and Ribbon Cutting; 1 p.m.
June 20	Kirksville Leadership Institute
June 20	Summer on the Square, 7 p.m. TP as Elvis
June 26	Osteopathic Museum Annual Garden Tea 5:30—6:30 p.m.
June 27	Summer on the Square, 7 p.m. Bartholomew Bean

For more information on community events, click on
www.kirksvillechamber.com/calendar

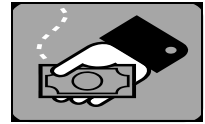
Happy Anniversary!

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

Adair County Family YMCA
Adair County Prosecuting Attorney
Aero Home Medical
American Family Insurance-Bill Mangini
American Family Insurance-Jerry Phipps
Ayers Oil Company -Ayerco
B & S Contractors
Cable Technologies
Edward L. Campbell, Attorney at Law
Ed & Nettie Carpenter
Mike & Kay Clapp
Eldon & Jeanne Coy
Crown Family Medicine
Bob & Leola Daniels
Daniels & Taggart, CPA's PC
Downtown Cinema 8
Farmer's Mutual Insurance Co. of
Adair County
Shirley Gillum
House of Jesus
Kirksville Concrete
Kirksville Lumber
Life Church of Kirksville
Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company
Meadowlands, Inc.
NEMO Beer Wholesalers, Inc.
NEMO Surgical Specialties
James & Jean Nevins
Northeast Missouri State Bank
OE Medical
Harold & Rebecca Osborn
John & Martha Rowe
Robert & Sharon Ruble
J.D. Smiser, Attorney at Law
Kelley & Dorothy Snipes
SunTec Home Respiratory Equipment
Sydenstricker Farm & Lawn
T H & N Electric
Tiffany-In-Home Services
Tri-Rivers Planned Parenthood
Truman State University Bookstore
U.S. Cellular
Victim Support Services



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.

June 2008 REPORTS

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Source: City of Kirksville
 -Highway 63 Sales Tax Receipts
 Recorded, May '08 \$64,680.35
 -April New City Business
 Licenses 32
 -April New County Business
 Licenses 6
 -New Residential
 Building Permits 4
 -New Commercial
 Building Permits 0
 Source: MERIC
www.missourieconomy.org

March 08'

-Missouri
 Unemployment Rate 6.1%
 -Adair County
 Unemployment Rate 5.8%
 -Adair County
 # of Unemployed 758
 Source: Northeast Regional
 Medical Center
 April Births at NRMC not available
 Source: Kirksville
 Gasoline prices Last month
 \$3.65 \$3.29
 Essential Air Service
 April '08 165 passengers

Welcome New Members!

Central Missouri Food Bank

2101 Vandiver
 Columbia, MO 65202
 Steve Youngblood
 1-800-764-3663
www.centralmofoodbank.org

Silver Rails Event Center

202 E. Monroe Street
 LaPlata, MO 63549
 660-341-4763
 Tom & Kelly Marshall
www.silverrailseventcenter.com

Charles & Mary Giovannini

2202 Cedar Lane
 Kirksville, MO 63501
 660-665-8342

Tamara's Studio

416 S. Bradford
 Kirksville, MO 63501
 660-627-6117
 Tamara Brown
www.pursepriss.com

Pearson Towing

13890 US Hwy 63
 Greentop, MO 63501
 660-665-2206
 Melissa Pearson

Veolia ES Solid Waste Midwest, LLC

PO Box 247
 Macon, MO 63552
 1-800-778-7652
 David Sellhorst & Amber Burnam
www.veoliaes.com

S & S Printing and Graphics

701 N. Marion
 Kirksville, MO 63501
 660-665-7663
 Steve Ellis & Anita Slaughter

**Fourth Annual
 All American Red, White, & Blue Festival
 July 3—6, 2008
 See insert for details.**