

Executive Director: Alisa R. Kigar

May 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.

BOSTON CHASE MEDIATION GROUP, LLC - 110 S. Franklin Street, Kirksville

BOSTON CHASE MEDIATION GROUP, LLC (BCMG) was started to help encourage and foster positive conflict interactions among community members and within businesses and organizations locally, regionally and nationally. BCMG was founded as a home-based business in November of 2006. The demand for services grew quickly, and as a result, the business was moved to its current location in March of 2007. As a private conflict resolution practice BCMG provides services in the areas of mediation, conflict coaching, negotiation and conflict resolution education and training. BCMG provides service to individuals, families, businesses and organizations helping them find practical solutions to disputes that arise.

Mediation is a voluntary and confidential process intended to guide people to a solution in a timely and cost effective manner. The mediator is at all times a trusted, neutral, third-party to the conflict. A mediator does not judge, take sides, or decide who is right or wrong. Mediators, through skillful examination of the conflict, enable the parties to communicate effectively with one another. The use of a professional mediator is beneficial because it provides people with control, predictability and confidentiality over their situation.

The professional mediators at BCMG have specialties in the following areas: organizational conflict, including but not limited to healthcare and school conflicts; faith-based conflicts; business and contract negotiations; and family conflict resolution, specifically elder-care and blended family conflict resolution. For more information, call (660) 665-3266 or check out www.bostonchasemediationgroup.com.



May Business After Hours
Thursday, May 15th
5—7 pm
Dukum Inn



Sponsored by Chariton Valley Association & Dukum Inn-Craig Shorten

May 2008 Calendar of Events



May 1	Fourth of July Planning Comm. Mtg. 1:15 p.m.; Chamber Office
May 1	Sportsman's Expo Planning Comm. Mtg.; 5:30 p.m.; Chamber Office
May 3	8th Annual K-9 Classic 8 a.m.; KV RIII Walking Path
May 3	Friends of the Library Book Sale 9 a.m.—3 p.m.; Adair Co. Pub. Library
May 3	Noon Rotary Chicken-Q 10:30 a.m.—2 p.m. KV RIII School
May 3	Round Barn Blues —Route P; 4 p.m.
May 6	Governmental Affairs Comm. Mtg. 7:30 a.m.; Chamber Office
May 6	Downtown Improvement Comm. Mtg. 5:30 p.m.; Chamber Office
May 7	Tourism Advisory Board Meeting 8 a.m.; Chamber Office
May 10	Truman State University Commencement 2 p.m.; Stokes Stadium
May 12	Chamber Executive Committee Meeting 8 a.m.; Chamber Office
May 12	Kirksville Community Chorus Spring Concert 7:30 p.m.; First Christian Church
May 15	Business After Hours; 5—7 p.m. Dukum Inn
May 15—18	SPBGMA 33rd Annual Blue Grass Fest. NEMO Fairgrounds
May 16—17	Sidewalk Sales Retail Merchants all around Kirksville
May 17	KCOM Graduation 10 a.m.; Truman's Baldwin Hall
May 19	Chamber Board Meeting 11:30 a.m.—1 p.m.; Chamber Office
May 21	Economic Development Committee 4 p.m.; Chamber Office
May 24	Kirksville Aquatic Center Outdoor Pool Opens
May 25	Kirksville High School Graduation 2 p.m.; Truman's Pershing Arena
May 26	Memorial Day Holiday Chamber Office Closed
May 25-26	Novinger Coal Miner Days
May 29	Kirksville Leadership Institute

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



Kiwanis Farmers Market



Kirksville Kiwanis Club is sponsoring Kiwanis' Farmers Market. Stop by Elson Street in Downtown Kirksville on Saturday mornings find the freshest produce from local farmers, fresh fish and poultry, and home made bakery items, like cinnamon rolls and pies. May—October, starts at 7 a.m. Booth space is \$5 each, and you may contact Susan Fitzgerald at 660-665-7149 for details.

Happy Anniversary!

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

Chamber of Commerce

A.G. Edwards
Adair County SB40/DD Board
Aladdin Glass, Inc.
American Family Insurance, Fred Collop Agency
Beard's Decorating Center
The Benson Law Firm LLC
Century 21-Whitney Agency
Country Kitchen
Edward Jones - Mike Miletich
Edward Jones - Paul Kissick
Dean & Bebe Ellsworth
Exploring America
Foreman Heating & Air Conditioning
Heartland Auto Sales
Heritage House Realty
Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites
KFMZ, KZBK, KLTJ, KZZT Radio
King Appliance & Furniture
Kirksville Kiwanis Club
Kirksville T.C.R.C
Kuler Drugs LLC
Manhattan Café & Bakery
Moberly Area Community College
NEMO Community Action Agency
New Vision Optical
Pearson Roofing
Preferred Family Healthcare
Rural Advocates for Independent Living
Shelton Insurance
Sparks Constructors
Thousand Hills State Park
Timeless Permanent Cosmetics
Vic Cleaners
Vintage Book Shoppe & Typing Service
Washington Street Java
Woody's Tire and Auto

Welcome New Members!

Red40 Entertainment

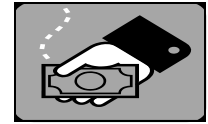
5 Catalina Drive
Kirksville, MO
Todd Kuhns
www.red40entertain.com

Society for the Preservation of Bluegrass Music in America

PO Box 271
Kirksville, MO
Chuck Stearman
www.spbgma.com



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.

May 2008 REPORTS

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Source: City of Kirksville

-Highway 63 Sales Tax Receipts
Recorded, Mar. '08 \$117,304.56

-Feb. New City Business
Licenses 14

-Feb. New County Business
Licenses 6

-New Residential
Building Permits 4

-New Commercial
Building Permits 0

Source: MERIC

www.missourieconomy.org
Feb. 08'

-Missouri

Unemployment Rate 6%

-Adair County

Unemployment Rate 5.5%

-Adair County

of Unemployed 664

Source: Northeast Regional
Medical Center

March Births at NRMC 47

Source: Kirksville

Gasoline prices Last month
\$3.29 \$3.05

Essential Air Service

Mar. '08 157 passengers

2008 Kirksville Youth Leadership Institute (KYLI)



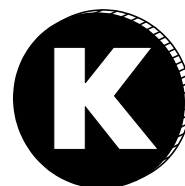
Back Row, L-R: Caroline Slavin, Brashear; Michael Shoush, Kirksville; Travis Mundahl; Kirksville
Front Row, L-R: Sydney White, Novinger; Heather Ward, Kirksville; Adriene Mountain, Brashear; Courtney Clarkson, Brashear; Maureen Freeland, Kirksville; Ashley Delaney, Kirksville; and Danielle Cowart, Kirksville
Recently, the Chamber held graduation for the Kirksville Youth Leadership Institute (KYLI). This program was implemented by the Kirksville Leadership Institute (adults) class of 2006 as their class project. For more information about the program for high school juniors, call the Chamber office (660-665-3766) or your school office. If you are interested in financially supporting the program, please call the Chamber office as well.

Your input is needed! Tell us what you think!

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The Kirksville Area Community Relations Working Group at Truman State University is composed of members of the Truman and Kirksville communities. The Working Group's goal is to identify ways Truman and Kirksville can work together to make our community more attractive and to more effectively meet the needs of students and permanent residents of the town. We ask for your help in taking this survey. The results will be shared with the Community Relations Working Group, the Kirksville City government, the Chamber of Commerce, and various other agencies and interested parties. We estimate this survey will take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete. Your answers will be completely anonymous. If you have any questions about this survey, please call Heidi Templeton at 785-4016. Thank you for your participation.

**The survey is located on the Web at
<http://communitysurvey.truman.edu>**



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