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December 2006



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.

AMS (Area Mailing & Shipping)

Carl Baldwin, Owner, 660-341-8174, Kirksville

AMS (Area Mailing & Shipping) was started by Carl Baldwin in January 1991 to fill a void in the mailing needs of Kirksville and the surrounding area. Carl's specialty is in Standard Mail (bulk mail). Over the years AMS has mailed for local universities and colleges, political campaigns, retail businesses, fraternities, sororities and other organizations. AMS handles both regular and non-profit mail.

AMS maintains a bulk mail permit with the local post office, so Carl can mail for other entities and individuals. AMS uses the permit to mail standard mailings.

As owner of AMS Carl has received seven professional development certificates from the United States Postal Service, including an award in Quality Mail preparation.

Carl can answer your questions about mailing piece qualifications before you have the documents printed. Contact Carl Baldwin at 660-341-8174 or csbaldwin2513@sbcglobal.net.



Business After Hours
Thursday, December 14th
5-7 p.m.
Bank Midwest Lobby (201 N. Elson)
Sponsored by
Bank Midwest



December 2006 Calendar of Events



- Dec. 1 **KLI Recruitment Lunch**, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.; Kirksville Country Club
- Dec. 1-2 **Missouri Livestock Symposium**
Kirksville Middle School
www.missourilivestock.com
- Dec. 2 **Santa Claus is Coming to Town!**
2—5 p.m.; Courthouse Rotunda
- Dec. 2 **Book Signing, Cinemental Journeys**
1-4:30 p.m.; Vintage Book Shoppe
204 N. Franklin
- Dec. 3 **Thousand Hills Rotary Club Holiday Home Tour**; 2-6 p.m
- Dec. 4 **Truman Jazz Ensemble**
8 p.m.; Truman's Baldwin Hall
- Dec. 6 **Ribbon Cutting; 10 a.m.**
Courthouse Lawn (southeast corner)
Historical Marker
- Dec 9 **Santa in Town**
2-5 p.m.; Adair County Courthouse
- Dec. 11 **Executive Committee Meeting**
8 a.m.; Chamber Office
- Dec. 11 **Kirksville Community Chorus Holiday Concert**
7:30 p.m.; First Christian Church
- Dec. 12 **Lyceum Series "Amahl and the Night Visitors"**
7:30 p.m.; Truman's Baldwin Hall
- Dec. 14 **Business After Hours**
5—7 p.m.; Bank Midwest Lobby
- Dec. 16 **Truman State University Commencement**; 1:30 p.m.
Pershing Arena
- Dec. 16 **Santa in Town**
2-5 p.m.; Adair County Courthouse
- Dec. 18 **Chamber Board Meeting**, 11:30 a.m.;
location TBA
- Dec. 20 **Economic Development Committee**
4 p.m.; Chamber Office
- Dec. 23 **Santa in Town**
2-5 p.m.; Adair County Courthouse
- Dec. 25 **Merry Christmas!**
Chamber Office Closed



Looking Ahead

- January 18 **Fourth of July Festival Committee Mtg.**
1:15 p.m.; Chamber Office
- January 25 **Annual Chamber Banquet**; 6—8:30 p.m.
Shrine Club; \$20 per person
- March 23 & 24 **Spring Expo**
(23rd Set up and BAH/24th Expo)

Happy Anniversary!

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

Taco Bell
Slaughter Printing
Ortech Company
Precision Cycle
Thousand Hills Rotary Club
The Law Offices of Patrick E. Richardson
Kirksville Gardens



Welcome!

New Members! **Commercial Envelope Mfg.**

Todd Geiger
3010 industrial Road
Kirksville
660-665-1800

Missouri Farm Bureau

Amanda Belfield
115 W. Potter
Kirksville
660-665-1956
abelfield@mofb.com

Walgreen's

Nick Price
311 N. Baltimore
Kirksville
660-665-3027



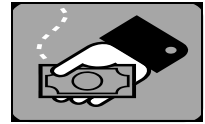
**Santa Claus
is Coming To Town!**



Saturdays (Dec. 2, 19, 16 and 23rd)
Santa Claus will welcome children with Christmas wishes at his house on the second floor of the Courthouse,
2 - 5 p.m. each Saturday.
Parents are welcome to take pictures.



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.

November 2006 REPORTS

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Source: City of Kirksville

-Highway 63 Sales Tax Receipts
Recorded, Nov. '06 \$33,072.83

-Oct. New City Business
Licenses 14

-Oct. New County Business
Licenses 8

-New Residential
Building Permits 3

-New Commercial
Building Permits 0

Source: MERIC

www.missourieconomy.org

Sept. '06

-Missouri

Unemployment Rate 4.8%

-Adair County

Unemployment Rate 4.2%

-Adair County

of Unemployed 538

Source: Northeast Regional

Medical Center

October Births at NRMC 43

Source: Kirksville

Gasoline prices Last month
\$2.02 \$1.99

New Essential Air Service

First 2 weeks of service

Nov. 5-18 181 passengers

STEP BACK INTO THE PAST WITH THE

KIRKSVILLE

1939 DVD

ENJOY ONE AND A HALF HOURS OF

KIRKSVILLE HISTORY

ON A DVD

\$15.00 EACH

Need a Christmas Gift—GREAT IDEA!

Available at the Chamber of Commerce Office, 304 South Franklin, Kirksville—660-665-3766—kvacoc@cablone.net

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. 25th 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 newsletter insert and the Chamber's website for nomination forms, www.kirksvillechamber.com.

Merry Christmas from the Chamber Board of Directors

President: Linda Grgurich; V.P.: Elsie Gaber; Treas.: Jon Broce

Crystal Amini-Rad; Mac McCord; Michael McManis;

Joyce Turner; Harold Osborn; Tim Peters; Allen Goans;

Kevin DeLaney; Mark Williams; Hank Walkley;

Kris McKim; and Gary Jones

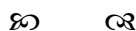
*You are invited to the
Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce
Annual Banquet*

Thursday, January 25, 2007

at the El Kadir Shrine Club (Hwy. 63 South)

Social Hour begins at 6 p.m.

Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.



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 19, 2007

(businesses may reserve tables of eight)



Happy Holidays

Rita Williams

Office Mgr. 22 Yrs.

Alisa R. Kigar

Exec. Director 5 Yrs.

Debi Boughton

Project Mgr. 2 Yrs.