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**May 2007**



*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.

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**Kirksville Plumbing Supply**  
**413 W. Missouri, Kirksville, MO 63501**

LOGO

Jack and Todd Pulis own Kirksville Plumbing Supply (KPS) at 413 W. Missouri. KPS carries wholesale industrial and municipal plumbing supplies. They are water and sewer specialists that have a full inventory of pumps, pipes, valves, fittings and hose.

Kirksville Plumbing Supply has been a family owned business, here in Kirksville, for four generations. The business was started in 1934 by Gale Jacobs, the great grandfather of Jack and Todd. KPS has been at the same location since 1937. Jack and Todd Pulis bought the family business in 2004. They have recently expanded their storage area.

If you would like more information about Kirksville Plumbing Supply call Jack Pulis at 660-665-7211 or 800-888-7211.



**May Business After Hours**  
**Thursday, May 17th**

**5-7 p.m.**

**DuKum Inn, 111 S. Elson**

**Sponsored by**

**Chariton Valley Association—Celebrating 25 years!**



# May 2007 Calendar of Events



- May 1** Governmental Affairs Comm. Mtg.  
7:30 a.m.; City Hall 2nd Fl. Conf. Rm.
- May 2** Start Up and Consulting Business  
Seminar; 10 am—2 pm; TCRC
- May 3** Fourth of July Planning Comm. Mtg.  
1:15 pm; City Hall 2nd. Fl. Conf. Rm.
- May 5** Spring Used Book Sale  
Adair County Public Library  
K-9 Classic; Registration 8 am  
Kirksville R-III School  
Truman State University  
Commencement— 2 pm; Stokes Stadium
- May 5-6** Missouri High School Rodeo  
7 pm; NEMO Fairgrounds
- May 7** Kirksville Community Chorus  
Spring Concert— 7:30 pm  
First Christian Church
- May 8** NRMHC Hospital Week Proclamation  
9 am; City Hall Council Chambers
- May 9** Lodging Tax Advisory Board  
8 am; City Hall 2nd. Fl. Conf. Rm.
- May 11** Kirksville Leadership Institute
- May 11-14** Kirksville Arts Association Musical  
“I Do, I Do”; performance times vary
- May 12** Rotary Chicken-Q; 10:30 am—2:00 pm  
Kirksville High School
- May 14** Executive Committee; 8 am  
Chamber Office
- May 17** Business After Hours; 5—7 pm  
Dukum Inn—Sponsored by Chariton  
Valley Association
- May 17-20** SPBGMA Bluegrass Festival  
NEMO Fairgrounds
- May 18-19** Spring Sidewalk Sales; Local Merchants
- May 20** Kirksville R-III Graduation - 2 pm  
Truman State Univ.— Pershing Arena
- May 21** Chamber Board Meeting -11:30 am  
TCRC
- May 26** Outdoor Pool Opens—Kirksville  
Aquatic Center; 12 noon
- May 27-28** Novinger Coal Miner Days  
Novinger, MO
- May 28** Chamber Office CLOSED
- May 28** Memorial Day Ceremony  
11 am; Reiger Armory
- May 30** National Senior Health & Fitness Day  
12 noon—4 pm; Fitness Center



## 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!

Adair County SB40  
Aladdin Glass, Inc.  
Bank Midwest  
Depot Inn and Suites  
Edward Jones, Mike Miletich  
Foreman Heating, AC & Electric  
Heartland Auto Sales  
Heritage House Realty, Inc.  
House of Jesus  
Jackson Brothers  
Kirksville Kiwanis Club  
KFMZ/KZBK/KLTI/KZZR dba Best Broadcasting  
NEMO Community Action Agency  
Ponderosa  
Precision Cycle  
Preferred Family Healthcare  
Shelton Insurance Agency  
Tractor Supply  
United Country Davis Midwest Realty  
US Cellular  
Vera F. Burk

## Welcome New Members!



**Country Kitchen**  
**Dennis Lorenson Jr., General Manager**  
2700 S. Baltimore  
Kirksville, MO 63501  
660-627-4029

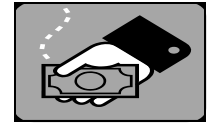
**Grgurich & Grgurich Trucking, LLC**  
**Eugene and Kelly Grgurich**  
1601 W. Potter  
Kirksville, MO 63501  
660-665-9822

**Christ's Family Church**  
**Glenn Berry, Pastor**  
531 N. Baltimore  
Kirksville, MO 63501

**Exploring America**  
**Jessica Kliethermes, Lynn Blankenship**  
18221 Salem Tr.  
Kirksville, MO 63501  
660-488-0253



# 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.

## April 2007 REPORTS

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Source: City of Kirksville

-Highway 63 Sales Tax Receipts  
Recorded, May '07 \$100,218.21

-March New City Business  
Licenses 20

-March New County Business  
Licenses 5

- New Residential  
Building Permits 5

- New Commercial  
Building Permits 0

Source: Northeast Regional  
Medical Center  
March Births at NRMC 51

Source: MERIC

[www.missourieconomy.org](http://www.missourieconomy.org)

Feb. '07

-Missouri  
Unemployment Rate 5.7%

-Adair County  
Unemployment Rate 5.6%

-Adair County  
# of Unemployed

Source: Kirksville

Gasoline prices Last month  
\$2.56 \$2.09

Essential Air Service  
(local commercial passengers)  
March '07 259 passengers

## Kirksville Youth Leadership Institute KYLI Class of 2007



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. As a class project, this was a monumental undertaking that has proved to be very successful and well received by the community, schools and service clubs. The KYLI Class of 2007 consists of twenty-four high school juniors from Kirksville R III and Brashear school districts. 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. A full list of supporters and sponsors will be listed in the next newsletter.

**Kirksville Youth Leadership Institute Students:** Vanessa Conner, Alaura Cowart, Jessica Findling, Nick Farley, Sara Fitzgerald, Taylor Grimm, Joseph Gruber, Taylor Halterman, Jourdain Johns, Samantha King, Matthew Koch, Megan McClanahan, Adam Morton, Kristin Palmisano, Carlee Pipes, Samantha Preston, Jessica Reil, Sarah Rice, Christina Scudder, Patience Smith, Sara Smith, Sunshine Sutherland, Michaila Vorkink, and Joey Spencer.