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November 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.

American Trust Bank 2817 N. Baltimore, Kirksville

American Trust Bank was chartered in July 2005 and opened for business on Oct. 24, 2005. The Bank was started by a group of local investors and is entirely owned by business and professional leaders who work and live in our market area. The stockholders commitment to this area is evidenced by their investment in the bank and the bank's investment in the community through new facilities and technology needed to better serve their customers. While it is a small community bank, it offers the products and features found in a larger bank. These services include: traditional loan and deposit products; internet banking and bill paying services; telephone banking; imaged statements; debit cards; and two local ATMs.

American Trust Bank emphasizes the importance of knowing its customers. The owners and employees are proud to be part of a bank headquartered here where they live and have the opportunity to make a difference. Their success comes from creating strong customer relationships through the development and delivery of high quality banking services that focus on the customers as individuals. To find out more about American Trust Bank and its products and services, please stop by the bank located at 2817 N. Baltimore, or visit its website at www.atrustbank.com

Congratulations to Doug Ayers, President and CEO of American Trust Bank, for attending last month's Business After Hours and having the opportunity to submit this business spotlight to the Chamber's newsletter.



November Business After Hours Thursday, November 16

5-7 p.m.

Wooden Nickel Restaurant

Sponsored by

Dan & Judy Vogt



November 2006 Calendar of Events



- Nov. 3-4 **Old Town Holiday Open House**
Downtown Kirksville
- Nov. 4 **Truman Visit Event**
- Nov. 7 **Election Day**, Polls open 6 a.m.-7 p.m.
- Nov. 7 **Governmental Affairs Committee**
7:30 a.m.; Chamber Office
- Nov. 7 **Lyceum Series Vienna Choir Boys**
7:30 p.m.; Truman's Baldwin Hall
- Nov. 10 **Chamber Office Closed**
Observance of Veterans Day
- Nov. 11 **Veterans Day Ceremony**
11 a.m.; Rieger Armory
- Nov. 11 **Kirksville Women of Today Craft Show**, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Kirksville Middle School
- Nov. 13 **Executive Committee Meeting**
8 a.m.; Chamber Office
- Nov. 13 **IA/MO Highway 63 Summit**
12-2 p.m.; Salamander Grill
- Nov. 14 **Job Fair**, 12-7 p.m.; Rieger Armory
- Nov. 15 **Economic Development Committee**
4 p.m.; Chamber Office
- Nov. 16 **Business After Hours**
5-7 p.m.; Wooden Nickel Restaurant
- Nov. 16 **Turkey Trot Dance**, 7—9 p.m.
Moose Lodge
- Nov. 17 **31st Annual Jewels Luncheon and Bazaar**, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.; El Kadir Shrine Club, Lunch served 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- Nov. 18 **Novinger Country Christmas Craft Festival**, 8 a.m.—5 p.m.
Novinger Elementary School
- Nov. 20 **Chamber Board Retreat**, 8:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Adair County Annex
- Nov. 20-24 **ATSU Thanksgiving Break**
- Nov. 23-24 **Chamber Office Closed**
Thanksgiving
- Nov. 30 **Kirksville Youth Leadership Institute**, 8:00 a.m.- 2:45 p.m.



December 2006 Looking Ahead

- Dec. 1-2 **Missouri Livestock Symposium**
Kirksville Middle School
www.missourilivestock.com
- Dec. 2 **Santa Claus is Coming to Town!**
2—4 p.m.; Courthouse Rotunda
- Dec. 14 **Business After Hours**
5—7 p.m.; Bank Midwest Lobby
- January 25, 2007—Annual Chamber Banquet**
(tentative)

Happy Anniversary!

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

Loren Hatfield Body & Frame
Hidden Treasures
Adair Foods
Lawson Hill Antiques
Grgurich Bulldozing
Allen Goans
Casey's General Store
Days Inn
Tri-County Electric Cooperative Association
American Family Insurance-Bill Mangini
Adair County Historical Society
Pro-Tech Company



Welcome!

New Members!

American Family Insurance—Fred Collop

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LEK Jewelry

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Movie Gallery

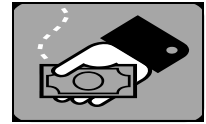
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The Golden Ruler of Kirksville

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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.

October 2006 REPORTS

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Source: City of Kirksville

-Highway 63 Sales Tax Receipts
Recorded, Oct. '06 \$102,228.87

-Aug. New City Business
Licenses 17

-Aug. New County Business
Licenses 7

- New Residential
Building Permits 3

- New Commercial
Building Permits 1

Source: MERIC

www.missourieconomy.org

Aug. '06

-Missouri

Unemployment Rate 4.9%

-Adair County

Unemployment Rate 4.7%

-Adair County

of Unemployed 564

Source: Northeast Regional
Medical Center

September Births at NRMHC 54

Source: Kirksville

Gasoline prices Last month
\$1.99 \$2.15

Essential Air Service

(local commercial passengers)

Sept. '06 204 passengers

Leadership Institute Graduation 2006

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce 2006 Kirksville Leadership Institute (KLI) students recently graduated from the nine-month program. The purpose of the Kirksville Leadership Institute is to build strong, competent leadership for the Kirksville area, motivate emerging and existing leaders, and develop each participant's potential for community leadership and decision-making by exposing them to the realities, opportunities and challenges in our community. The class is required to complete a project. This year the class orchestrated a monumental project of implementing the first **Kirksville Youth Leadership Institute (KYLI)**. Twenty four high school juniors from Kirksville and Brashear high schools will participate in the program from October—April. This is a condensed version of the adult KLI, with programs relevant to our young adults in Adair County. A very worthy class project that has been very well received. Thanks KLI Class of 2006!

Class of 2006

Kirksville Leadership Institute

Class of 2007

Kirksville Youth Leadership Institute

2006 Graduates, Front row, L—R: Lesa Ketterlinus, Chairperson; Cathy Rethmeier; Kimberly Blackman, Carol Lockhart; Rose Harker; Rhonda Smith; Marlene Speas; Mac McCord; Deb Wheeler. **Back row**, L—R: Sara Holzmeier; Mona Davis; Erick Hanson; Virginia Halterman; Randy Behrens; Tim King; and Dan Magruder.

2007 Graduates, Top row, L-R: Joseph Gruber; Christina Scudder; Jessica Reil, Sara Fitzgerald; Jourdain Johns; Megan McClanahan; Carlee Pipes; Michaila Vorkink
Second row: Matthew Koch; Sarah Rice; Samantha King; Kristin Palmisano; Jessica Findling; Adam Morton
Third row: Nick Farley; Joey Spencer; Sarah Smith; Alaura Cowart; Samantha Preston; Sunshine Sutherland
Bottom row: Patience Smith; Taylor Halterman; Vanessa Conner; Taylor Grimm