

February 2012

Chamber Chatter

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Calendar Of Events

February

7 – Ribbon-Cutting, 11:30a.m., Old Firehouse.

11 – Valentine Children's Tea, 9:30 am – 11:30 a.m., Mt. Gilead Church

17 – Winter Extravaganza, 6:00 p.m., Annunciation Community Center

March

3 – Home, Health & Happiness Expo, 9:00a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Annunciation Community Center

Winter Extravaganza Has New Theme

The annual Kearney Chamber Winter Extravaganza has a new theme this year – Mardi Gras! Due to popular demand, the dress once again will be business casual. The date is Friday, February 17, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Annunciation Community Center. Tickets are \$25/person or you can purchase a table of 8 seats for \$180. A fabulous dinner catered by Stables Grill will be served, and there will be dancing and a silent auction. The Winter Extravaganza is benefiting the Kearney Fire House and the Kearney School District Education Foundation. To purchase tickets you may contact the Chamber, or Jason Hoyt at First Missouri Bank at 816-903-9010 or Steve McDonald at Westbrook Care Center at 816-628-2222. We hope you'll join us!

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Business of the Month – Michelle Harrington, RE/MAX Realtors



I enjoy Kearney and its

community and its friendly home town atmosphere.

Everyone is very welcoming and I truly enjoy doing business here. The proximity to the amenities of the downtown area as well as the historic rural sites in the community at the pace of a town on the outskirts of the suburbs make for interesting activities all year long.

When I'm not working real estate, I enjoy spending time outdoors with my horses and dogs. I enjoy that feeling of great achievement that accomplishing a physically demanding project provides. I've come to realize that life is too short not to enjoy it.

I am proud to be a real estate agent. I help homeowners make informed decisions about selling their homes by offering property evaluations, comparative market analyses, and the most recent market information. And as a RE/MAX agent, I am able to market my clients' properties with the strength of the most nationally recognized brand and logo in the industry.

One aspect of my business that I take pride in is the personal interaction with my clients during and after each transaction—building that rapport and actually getting to know the client and what they want. Helping buyers and sellers define their dreams and sculpt their wants and needs into a reality is exciting.

Working together to realize their needs makes relationships that last long after the closing of a transaction. A wise old woman once told me, "Dreams and friends are the most important

things in life; when you realize this, the possibilities are endless!"

I look forward to growing with this Community and all of you for years to come. Real estate is a very satisfying career and I can truly say I enjoy what I do for a living. I respect and appreciate the relationships within our office, and the camaraderie we share makes it a great place to work. I like that I have a job working with people and focusing on the needs of my clients, helping them to have a successful real estate experience. It is very satisfying assisting people achieving their goals of buying or selling their home.

If you're looking to buy or sell your property, or are just looking to get more information on the process, call or email me today. Contact Me: RE/MAX Advantage #816-903-1512 web:

www.michelleharrington.net

Email:

michelleharrington@remax.net

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Business Expo Date Set

Kearney Business Group will be hosting the 4th Annual "Home, Health & Happiness" Expo on March 3rd from 9am to 4pm at the Annunciation Community Center. Last year drew a bigger crowd than the group had seen in previous years and this year we are

NEW MEMBERS!

The Kearney Chamber of Commerce would like to welcome the following new members:

Kearney Enrichment Council

PO Box 166
Kearney, MO
Jenny Hayes
816-820-6666

Fat Boyz Grill and Bar

129 E. Washington
Kearney, MO
Barry Hoffman
816-903-2699

Isotech, Inc.

501 Highway 169
Trimble, MO
Eileen & Tony Holland
816-370-2546

Premier Fitness Center

971 Premier Drive
Kearney, MO
Jim & Lisa Smith
816-628-6288

Allied Waste

3150 North 7th St.
Kansas City, KS
Tyler Riordan
816-332-7403

Old Church Plaza/DJL Properties

105 S. Jefferson St.
Kearney, MO
Chalise Shaw-Gooch
660-292-0213

Kansas City Zoo

600 Zoo Drive
Kansas City, MO
Randy Wisthoff
816-513-5800

WELCOME!!

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anticipating an even larger crowd. Coordinators of the Expo are excited to note that there are only a few booth spaces left at the time of this article. If you are interested in promoting your business please contact: Melissa Mohler [816-628-4909](tel:816-628-4909), melissam@kmexteriors.com; or Dan Holt [816-223-3630](tel:816-223-3630). The Expo was started by the Kearney Business Group as a venue to showcase area businesses in and around the Kearney area. Due to the popularity of the Expo, businesses in neighboring communities are now coming to the expo and contacting us for booth availability. This year there will be 35 booths, and a local youth group will be selling refreshments. Featured booths have everything from financial management, home maintenance, health and fitness, to pet care. Also, there is a chance to win \$200 in groceries, along with multiple door prizes given out each hour. So stop by and see what kind of businesses are around you and how you can help our local economy.

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Parent UP Campaign

While it often seems that kids zone out when you talk to them, research indicates that parents have the greatest influence over their child's decisions to drink, use drugs or engage in risky behaviors. In the Northland, 1 in 5 youth report drinking by 6th grade and nearly half will be offered drugs by the time they leave high school. It is more important than ever that parents optimize on their power. Adults in Kearney are encouraged to Parent UP and visit www.parentupkc.com for tips, resources, and tools that will help them start the conversation. In addition, you are invited to attend the Kearney Holt CAN Family University on Thursday, April 12th. This dynamic event includes a free dinner and

information for everyone in the family. Contact Marlo Howard at marlo@16acres.net or 816-215-7858 for more information. Kearney Holt CAN is a group of community volunteers committed to creating a safe and healthy environment for our youth by reducing alcohol and other drug abuse. We encourage you to get involved and help ensure that Kearney youth have successful futures.



Kearney Holt CAN members receive a grant from the Missouri Department of Mental Health, Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse to implement the Parent Up Campaign.

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Fat Boyz Grill & Bar: Did You Know....?

Fat Boyz Grill and Bar 127 & 129 E Washington 816-903-BOYZ (2699)

website -

www.fatboyzgrillandbar.com

or like us on Facebook!

Our Hours are M 3pm to

12am, Tues thru Saturday

11am to 1am and closed

Sundays but we will open for

a private party if needed.

Happy Hour is M-F 3-7

Saturday 11-7 \$2

wells/draws. Every Tuesday

is \$1.00 Tacos - pinned and

deep fried to order. Daily

lunch and dinner specials .

Our huge Tenderloin and the

awesome Bison Burger are

crowd favorites!

Entertainment -Karaoke on

Wednesday and Thursday

8pm and Saturdays 9pm.

Live music - 2/10 Woody

James Band 8:30 - this is

our house band - they play

monthly

2/17 Salamander 8:30

2/24 Titanium Blues Band

8:30 - this is also our 1 year

anniversary and we will have a Raffle for a Fender Strat style Guitar!

We offer a private dining side for parties or banquets!

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Premier Protein's Berkshire Burgers are Here!

Premier Protein would like to announce that Berkshire Pork Burgers have arrived! Pricing is as follows: The Pork Burgers are 24 per case @ \$2.75 per lb.

The Ground Pork is 6 - 2 lb.

Packages @ \$2.75 per lb.

Positively delicious!

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Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

On Tuesday, February 7, at 11:30 a.m. the Chamber will have a ribbon cutting for the Ministerial Alliance's Community Food Pantry that is relocating from Radiant Life Church to the Firehouse until a permanent location is secured. Lunch will be provided, catered by JT's Subs. Hope to see you there!

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Free Pet Dental Exam!

Did you know...80% of pets develop periodontal disease by the age of 3? Periodontal disease is caused by bacteria in the plaque. It destroys gums and tissues which create bone infections and abscesses that often require surgery and tooth extractions. Left untreated, periodontal disease can contribute to other health problems such as kidney disease, liver disease, and disease of the heart valves. If you have noticed swollen or bleeding gums, bad breath, and/or yellow discoloration of the teeth, your pet may have periodontal disease. Please schedule an appointment for a FREE DENTAL EXAM during the month of February at The Animal Clinic of Kearney, 310 S. Jefferson St., 816-628-4035.

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