

June 2006

Chamber Chatter

Kearney Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 242, Kearney, MO (816) 628-4229

Come Experience "A Taste of Kearney"

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Calendar of Events

June

8 Kearney/Smithville Golf Tournament – Paradise Pointe Golf Course

15 – Due date for Chamber renewal

28 – Children's Health Fair Excelsior Springs Medical Center, 3:30-6:30 p.m. call Melanie at 816-629-2799 for more information.

30 – Taste of Kearney, 4:00-7:00, At the Boardwalk

July

3 – Sesquicentennial Grand Celebration

8 – Co-ed Softball Tournament, Mack Porter Park, call 816-628-2165 to register your team!

Kearney Chamber of Commerce, along with Geneva Hayes of At the Boardwalk, is hosting an event called A Taste of Kearney. The date of this is Friday, June 30, 2006, from 4:00-7:00, located At The Boardwalk on 108 W. Washington St. We have eight Unique to Kearney restaurants, bakeries and catering companies participating, and music will be provided for your listening enjoyment by Alan Altis. In addition to great food, don't forget to stop by and visit the steam train Spirit of Louisiana located just a few steps away. This is a wonderful family event and we hope to have this every year in the spring time so mark your calendars!

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Business of the Month – Cameron Pinkman, Group Benefit Specialist the Lionheart Group



AMERICANS ARE VULNERABLE TO AN EMERGING PANDEMIC.

And I don't mean the bird flu. I'm talking about the fastest growing white-collar crime in the United States. **Identity Theft!** According to Michael Friedenberg of CIO magazine, 19,000 identities are stolen every day and "When it comes to cleaning up this mess, companies on average spend 1,600 work hours per incident at a cost of \$40,000 to \$92,000 per victim."

We all need the protection and peace of mind my new business can provide. That is why I'm pleased to be chosen as Kearney's Chamber of Commerce Business of The Month. Many of you may already be familiar with me, as I operated the Faithful Journey Bookstore. In my zeal to provide products and service that are beneficial and desirable, I have discovered an opportunity to do good and the freedom to do well. As an Associate of The Lionheart Group, I consult with small, medium and large businesses offering solutions to this problem as well as providing a significant enhancement to their employee benefits package at no cost to the employer. This is accomplished by representing the services of two large publicly traded companies.

Kroll Inc. is the world's largest Risk Consultant Company with more than 60 offices in 19 countries on 6 continents. Kroll specializes in Financial Forensics. The Kroll resume includes contracts with government agencies such as the FBI, CIA, FTC, SEC, etc. Kroll was recently contracted by the SEC to place

investigators in positions at Enron to uncover evidence of that financial scandal. Kroll was contracted by the Bank of Nova Scotia to recover \$500,000,000.00 in gold that was in the world trade center on September 11th. Kroll provides comprehensive **Identity Theft** protection. According to the FBI, 1 in 4 will be victims of **Identity Theft**. We all need protection. Prepaid Legal Services is among the first companies in the United States organized solely to design, underwrite and market legal expense plans. The Company currently provides legal services to over 1.5 million families across the U.S. and Canada. Prepaid Legal Services provides affordable access to the Judicial System for working people like you and me. A life events legal plan provides **peace of mind**, by providing coverage for the legal services that people need most. Members can get legal advice from a qualified attorney on everyday life matters as well as important decisions and issues they might face. For example, members can find out what their legal rights and options are if:

- The insurance company won't pay a claim
- The landlord won't return a security deposit
- Their thinking of starting their own business
- They're unable to return a defective product for a refund

New Members!

Updike BBQ & Catering, LLC.

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Make a note – Name Change

Sprint has changed its name to EMBARQ. This will be reflected under the "Utilities" section in our directory and future telephone books, so please make a note of it!

On The Move

Summit Publications Inc has moved! We are now located at 404 S Jefferson (formerly the KCB Financial Services building). Due to our continued growth we have recently added Misty Wenger and Cindy Waller to the office staff & Kristin Miller as our second full time graphic artist. We now employ 8 full time and 2 part time staff in our Kearney office and 17 outside sales representatives. Be sure and watch for the upcoming 2006 Kearney/ Excelsior Telephone Directory!

- They have been overcharged for a service. My focus with The Lionheart Group is as an employee benefits specialist. I help small and medium sized businesses enhance their benefits package by providing these services as an employee funded voluntary benefit or as a fringe benefit. However, these services are also available to individuals. I am happy to consult with business owners and individuals regarding protection for themselves or their employees against the growing threat of **Identity Theft** and for the **Peace of Mind** protection a life events legal plan provides. Please feel free to contact me at **816-456-0559** to schedule a brief consultation.

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Updike BBQ & Catering

Updike BBQ & Catering, LLC. came to be as a result of many years of cooking for friends, Jessie James Festival volunteers and Randall Updike's (co-owner), BBQ Team winning many bbq contests. They won two Grand Championships last year and placed fourth in the nation, in brisket, at the American Royal last fall, in addition to winning numerous individual meat categories at various contests over the last three years.



Lyle Updike got his start in bbq'ing while in college as part of his Animal Science "Meats" classes. He has spent his entire career in the livestock production and health industry and believes strongly that the proper

selection of meat is one of the most important factors in preparing good food.

Updike BBQ & Catering offers a broad range of meat products and side dishes. They will prepare steaks, prime rib, chops, pork loin, brisket, pulled pork, turkey, chicken, smoked burgers, sausages and hot dogs. Their side dishes feature "Lyle's BBQ beans", Jalopeno corn, cole slaw, potato salad, green beans, scalloped pototes and other sides upon your request.

You may order the meats in advance and pick it up at a specified location, have it delivered or have your food prepared on site at a location of your choice.

They can handle small family/company gatherings as well as multiple thousands of people for company functions, such as grand openings, customer appreciation days, family reunions, graduations, birthday parties, private parties/dinners, wedding receptions, rehearsal dinners or Chamber Lunches for business sponsors. We donate all excess food to the Kearney Family Foundation. Updike BBQ & Catering is licensed by Clay County Health Dept. as a "mobile kitchen" and has a Kearney City Occupation license. You may contact them at: updikebbq@hotmail.com cell phone# 816-719-0765 office phone# 816-628-5420



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Summer CPR & First Aid Class

Clay County Public Health Center is offering community CPR trainings this summer at the health center, 1940 W.

Kansas, Liberty, MO. Three types of classes will be offered – certified Adult and Infant/Child CPR and certified Basic First Aid. Class size is limited and fee is \$20 per person per class for certification. Call 816-781-1142 to register. Infant/Child CPR Heart Saver class is on June 6, 7-10 PM, June 24, 8:30 AM - Noon and July 29, 8:30 AM - Noon. Training includes video, instruction, and hands-on mannequin practice. Information on responding to an emergency, choking, rescue breathing, heart attack (CPR) and stroke included. This is a certified class for those needing certification. Fee is \$20 per person per class for certification.

"Basic First Aid" is a certification class on June 8, 7-10 PM and July 29, 1-5 PM. It includes minor emergencies such as choking, bleeding, bandaging, splinting and cold and heat related emergencies. Fee is \$20 per person per class for certification. Adult Heart Saver class is on June 24, 1-5 PM. It includes video, instruction, and hands-on mannequin practice. Information on responding to an emergency, choking, rescue breathing, heart attack (CPR) and stroke included. This is a certified class for those needing certification. Fee is \$20 per person per class for certification.

These trainings are co-sponsored by Clay County Public Health Center and American Heart Association. To register, call Health Planning & Promotion at 781-1142. Payment goes to Clay County Public Health Center at 1940 W. Kansas, Liberty, MO 64068. Class sizes are limited to a minimum of five.

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EVENTS:

Kearney Chamber Golf Classic '06

3-Person Scramble, 1:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 8, Paradise
Pointe Golf Complex at
Smithville Lake.
Please contact Jim Smith 816-
628-6666 or Siouxsan Eisen at
816-628-4229 to sponsor a hole
or sign up a team!

FREE Children's Health Fair

Excelsior Springs Medical
Center is having Fair June
28, 2006, 3:30 p.m. to 6:30
p.m. In the past, we have
served over 150 children
from our area. Activities,
health screenings, and
information are provided by
people like you who have
made this event a great time
for all! If you have not
already made reservations to
be a part of our Health Fair
and would like to participate,
please call Melanie at 816-
629-2788. This year we will
have a patriotic theme.
Excelsior Springs Medical
Center is located at 1700
Rainbow Blvd.

2nd Annual Christmas in July Co-Ed Softball

Tournament will be held
Saturday, July 8, at Mack
Porter Park. The entry fee is
\$300.00 per team.
Tournament proceeds will
benefit the Kearney Family
Foundation, an organization
which delivers food, clothing
and holiday gifts to Kearney
area families during
December each year.
Thanks to the generous
support of Kearney residents
and surrounding
communities, the Kearney

Family foundation is now
able to support families in
need throughout the year.
This event will be held at
Mack Porter Park. To
register and get more
information please contact
Jim or Sherri Harmon at 816-
628-2165 or email at
tootsierollx3@juno.com.

Sesquicentennial Celebrations!

There are too many to
mention here! You can
check out what's happening
from the Chamber website at
Kearneychamber.org or visit
the City's website at
<http://www.ci.kearney.mo.us/>

Ribbon Cutting Pictures!

On Friday, June 2nd, at 9:00
am the Chamber held a
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for
the Kearney Historic
Museum, right next door to
the Kearney Chamber. This
was a momentous occasion
and a great day for Kearney.
If you happen to be near City
Hall I encourage you to stop
by – there is a lot of love and
effort that went into making
this museum possible.



Then, last month on
Thursday, May 11th, at
4:00 p.m. we cut the ribbon
for Kearney Commercial
Bank's Grand Opening
Celebration – another big
day for Kearney! Here's
some pictures for you to
enjoy!



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