

May 2009

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**Calendar Of Events**

**May**

16 – 10:00-2:00

Husqvarna Viking Truckload sale at And Sew Bee It

26-29 Cutest Dog

Contest, Citizens Bank & Trust

29 – Movie Night – "Hotel for Dogs", Citizens Bank and Trust.

**June**

4 – Kearney/Smithville Chamber Golf

Tournament, 1:00 p.m., Paradise Pointe golf Complex

5 – Excelsior Springs

Hospital Golf Tournament, Excelsior Springs golf course

**Ribbon Cutting!**

On Friday, April 24, at 11:30 p.m. we had a ribbon cutting ceremony for Classy Chocolate. Thank you to all who turned out – we had a great time!



# Chamber Chatter

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

## It's Time to Renew!

This is the time of year where we vote in a new President, add new Board members and also renew our membership dues. You'll be receiving a dues renewal notice as well as the opportunity to advertise in the directory – published this year by The UPS Store – in the next few weeks. We greatly appreciate all the support our membership has given us over the years. To ensure your continued support we are looking for new ways we can promote business and tourism in Kearney. We will be handing out a survey at our May meeting to see if you have any ideas or suggestions as to how we can best serve you. Please take a few moments to fill this out. Thank you in advance and we look forward to hearing from you!

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### Business of the Month – Updike BBQ

1. *We're all aware of how great your food is! Please tell us where we can find your mobile kitchen most often.* We try to have one of the trailers at Davis Kwik Lube on Tues. and Fridays and occasionally Sundays, weather permitting and we aren't catering. We recently setup a "Facebook" page to keep everyone informed as to dates and times.

2. *What are some of the new dishes you've added to your menu?* We will be adding

"spicy" french fries to our vending menu soon. (Our meat and side dish menu is quite extensive already).

3. *You've recently expanded (I'm talking about the barn). Please share all the new services you now have!* We have been working on the "Arley Barley Barn" for about two years and have one room completed. We plan to add the patio as soon as the weather permits. The facility will be made available for meetings, reunions, retirements, birthdays, and parties with the purchase of food from us. There will be no charge for the facility, just a setup/cleanup fee in addition to the food. Currently, we have the barn open on Thurs. nights for friends and business associates to stop by (we always welcome new guests). We will probably have it open every other Thurs. night during the summer.

4. *How long have you been in the BBQ and catering business?* This is our fourth year in the bbq catering business.

5. *Please share some of your accomplishments and awards with us.* Randall continues to add contest "wins" to our resume'. We recently replaced a well known KC bbq house as the primary bbq caterer for Wynbrick Center in Liberty. We continue to expand our business by word of mouth to many corporate entities in the K.C. area.

6. *What would you say makes your business unique?* Our business is unique in many ways because Randall and I personally cook all of the food to order. Food

for every event is cooked to order, using many of the competition cooking and seasoning methods which makes our food much different than what can be found at a restaurant. We have the trailers to take on site to cook and serve customers which helps us keep the food hot and fresh. Probably most important of all is the fact that we do this because we love doing it and have the passion to provide the best food possible. This is not a job. It is a life's ambition.

7. *Anything else you'd like to add:* We would like to thank all of our advertisers, friends and customers for making Updike BBQ & Catering possible.

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### News from Time Warner Cable

**Time Warner Cable Adds More FREE Start Over**  
Time Warner Cable's Digital Cable customers now can use the FREE **Start Over** feature up to the last minute of programs on eight more channels. Simply press SELECT on your cable remote when you see the screen prompt or press SELECT anytime to see if **Start Over** is an option for a program you're watching.

The latest additions: Speed (Channel 201), ESPN (Channel 203), Disney XD

## 2009 Amphitheater Calendar of Events

**Saturday, May 16** (12:00-4:00 p.m.) Kid fest.

**Saturday, May 30** (6:00 p.m.) Blues Festival

**Sunday, May 31** (8:00 a.m.) First Baptist Church Sunday Morning Service

**Saturday, June 6** (Dusk) Movie In the Park featuring the Bee Movie

**Saturday, June 13** (7:00 pm.) Edge of Forever (Lynyrd Skynyrd Tribute)

**Saturday, June 27** (Dusk) Movie In the Park featuring ET

**Friday, July 3** (7:30 p.m.) Kearney Fireworks Celebration. Guest Entertainer: 4<sup>th</sup> State (Boston Tribute).

**Saturday, July 11** (7:00 p.m.) Shooting Star with special guest Change of Heart (Heart Tribute)

**Saturday, July 25** (7:00 p.m.) Shenandoah

**Friday, July 31** (7:00 p.m.) Gloriana

**Friday and Saturday, August 7-8** Optimist Club/Kearney Explorer's Post Bull Ride Fundraiser

**Saturday, August 15** (7:00 p.m.) Jamey Johnson with special guest Scott Ford

**Saturday, August 29** (7:00 p.m.) Bobby Simkins (award winning Elvis tribute)

**Saturday, September 5** (dusk) Movie in the Park featuring High School Musical 3

**Saturday, September 26** (3:00 p.m.) 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Jesse James Showdown Mud Run

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(Channel 243), The N (Channel 245), BET Jazz (Channel 252), VH1 Classic (Channel 258), Chiller (Channel 266) and Hallmark Movie Channel (Channel 283). Plus **Start Over** was already available on CMT (Channel 37), Disney (Channel 70), TCM (Channel 71), Fuel (Channel 213) and Biography (Channel 217). Plus it was already available on CMT (Channel 37), Disney (Channel 70), TCM (Channel 71), Fuel (Channel 213) and Biography (Channel 217).

Additionally, Time Warner Cable's Digital Cable customers can watch recent episodes of favorite NBC, USA, CBS and FX shows on Primetime On Demand (Channel 111). The replays with no commercial interruptions are available for "Biggest Loser," "Medium," "Burn Notice," "CSI" and more.

### Kearney Sports, Pro Wrestling History on Metro Sports On Demand

Metro Sports On Demand (Channel 130) now offers "K.C. ON THE MAT," a look at the history of professional wrestling in Kansas City. Plus Time Warner Cable's Digital Cable customers can view replays of Kearney High School football, basketball and wrestling matchups anytime on Channel 130. Choose the Metro Sports tab and then Kearney or K.C. ON THE MAT. To return to a previous screen, press the red C button on your cable remote.

### Movie Night!

Citizens Bank & Trust is having their first Movie night on Friday, May 29. They will be showing "Hotel for Dogs". The week prior to that they are having a Cutest Dog Contest. Everyone is invited to bring their dogs in for a picture from May 26-May 29!

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### Kearney Courier Wants to Hear From You

Kearney Courier would like to have more information from our businesses here in town. If you have a new hire, a grand opening, or anything you'd like the town to know about please contact them and feel free to send along a picture! Their phone number is 816-628-6010 or you can go to the website [kearneycourier.com](http://kearneycourier.com).

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### Sale at And Sew Bee It

On Saturday, May 16 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., a huge Husqvarna Viking trailer truck will pull up to And Sew Bee It. Step inside this one of a kind sewing wonderland on wheels to experience the sewing machines and supplies of your dreams, then make them your own for prices so low they can only last four hours! There will be free gifts, so be there before it hits the road again!

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### Excelsior Springs Hospital Annual Golf Tournament

Friday, June 5, at the Excelsior Springs Golf Course. It will be a 4-person scramble, with registration to begin at 11:00 a.m. Rules and announcements will be at 12:15 with a shotgun start at 12:30. Lunch will be served between 11:00-12:15. There will be a silent auction and raffle items, hole contests, cash prizes awarded per flight. Deadline for entry is May 18. An all inclusive entry fee is \$160 per player. Excelsior Springs Hospital would like to thank the Chamber for all its support and hope our members will consider providing an auction or raffle item or be a sponsor. For more information on the tournament please contact

Jeanne Buckman at 816-629-2768 or email her at [jbuckman@esmc.org](mailto:jbuckman@esmc.org).

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### Form-Tech Referral Contest

Win a free 46" LCD HDTV or Promotional Products by providing us with referrals

If you like Form-Tech's products and services tell your friends, family, and business contacts. Then give us their name and contact information. For every referral we receive until November 25, 2009, your name will be entered in a drawing to be held on December 1, 2009. The winner will have a choice of receiving either a 46" LCD HDTV or the dollar equivalent in promotional products to promote their business.

Good Luck and we look forward to receiving your referrals.  
Individuals Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Ph # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

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### Smithville/Kearney Golf Tournament

Thursday, June 4, at Paradise Pointe Golf Complex in Smithville. It is a 3-person scramble with a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. For more information contact Jim Smith at 628-6666 or Kearney Chamber of Commerce at 628-4229.