

November 2008

Chamber Chatter

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Calendar of Events

November

8 – Holiday Open House, downtown Kearney.

8 – Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary Arts & Crafts Show, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Annunciation Community Center. Free to the public.

22 – Mayor's Christmas Tree Walk, 6:00 –8:00 p.m. Jesse James Park.

December

11 – Chamber Christmas Lighting Ceremony, Lions Park, 6:30 p.m. Free to the public.

January

NO CHAMBER GENERAL MEETING

Two Christmas Events Coming Up

On Saturday, November 22, the Mayor's Christmas Tree Walk will take place in Jesse James Park. The Chamber has adopted a tree and we need ornaments! This is a great way to have free advertising – please bring us an ornament that represents your business. If you don't have an ornament, just bring by a business card, which we will laminate to display on our tree. Then come by on the 22nd and enjoy all the beautiful Christmas lights and trees! Then on Thursday, December 11th, the Chamber will have its annual Christmas Lighting Ceremony in Lions park. The festivities begin at 6:30 p.m. with Santa, free hayrides, hot chocolate and cookies being handed out. Magic Mobile DJ will provide Christmas music. We hope to see you at both these events!

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Business of the Month – Kearney Courier

1). *Please tell us your name and your position at the Kearney Courier.*

Kevin Smith - editor

2). *How long have you been with the paper?*

Since June

3). *What brought you to take this job?*

The opportunity to be able to take charge in a small-town newspaper and focus on community news.

4). *The Courier has gone through quite a bit of change.*

What would you say is the greatest improvement it's made recently?

The reemphasis on local news

from local guest columns on the opinion page to the school news page.

5). *How do you see the paper growing and changing in the next five years?*

We hope to continue the focus on community news, listening to what the readers want and finding the best way to implement those changes. The Kearney Courier will also grow as the town grows.

6). *What would you say is unique about the Courier?*

You won't find more news about Kearney anywhere than in the Courier. We hope that the publication is both informative and a reflection of what is going on in the community.

7). *Anything else you'd like to share?*

I've been telling people there are good things in the paper because there are good things happening in the community. I've learned how unique the students are in the school district, how the city is working to accommodate the growth and how proud the residents are of Kearney. I hope that's all reflected in the paper. I think through subtle changes the past few months we've made strides in improvement and I hope through continued subtle changes through the next few months we'll make leaps and bounds to meet and exceed readers' expectations.

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Time Warner Cable Adds More HD Channels

Time Warner Cable Adds More HD Channels, Reorganizes Numbers to Make HD Easier to Locate

The "Home of FREE HD" rolled

out seven new High Definition channels in recent months and plans to add another 26 HD choices by the end of the year. The latest Time Warner Cable additions, which are available at no added cost if you already receive the Standard Definition versions of these channels: ABC Family Channel HD – Channel 1048
Disney Channel HD – Channel 1070
Big 10 Network – Channel 1200 (also Standard Definition on Channel 200)
ESPNU HD – Channel 1203
Toon Disney HD – Channel 1243
Hallmark Movie Channel HD – Channel 1283 (also Standard Definition on Channel 283)
Lifetime Movie Channel HD – Channel 1284)
Plus Time Warner Cable customers can watch all Kearney High School football games on Channel 113. Click on Metro Sports to see the sports choices. Additionally, Time Warner has changed the location of some HD channels so they coordinate with Standard Definition channel numbers (e.g. 32 for TNT and 1032 for TNT HD, 497 for ESPN and 1497 for ESPN HD).
Submit Local Video for Channel 113,
www.kcondemand.com
Have a video about your organization or a local event or activity that you'd like to make available for others to view? Submit it to

Christmas on the Farm

Watkins Woolen Mill
State Historic Site

Event Dates: 12/06/2008
Event Time: 2:00 PM -
7:00 PM
FREE EVENT

Get into the holiday spirit at the Watkins family home open house

- * holiday caroling
- * a visit with Father Christmas
- * free samples of traditional holiday treats,
- * flaming of the plum pudding demonstrations
- * and reading of family letters

At the visitor center

- * kids crafts,
- * live traditional holiday music
- * the Lathrop Singing Mules grade school choir at 3 p.m.

For information call 816-580-3387
<http://www.mostateparks.com/wmill>

Highway 92 East to RA
Between Kearney and
Excelsior Springs

Watkins Woolen Mill
State Park & State
Historic Site
Division of State Parks
Department of Natural
Resources

Contact:
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Time Warner Cable for KC On Demand.

Time Warner Cable Channel 113 and www.kcondemand.com (on the Community page, see the Playlist section) air award-winning videos on Kansas City area people and places, including:

Special features like "Road to River City," which puts you front and center at Starlight Theatre auditions for The Music Man.

Backstage Pass, which highlights music of and interviews with exciting local entertainers.

Bistro 113, which offers mouthwatering glimpses of area eateries.

Newsmakers, which connects you with the people who shape Kansas City area communities and neighborhoods.

"We offer local programming that you can't get anywhere else," says Chris Huwe, Time Warner Cable Commercial Production Manager. "It's like your own personal Kansas City YouTube on Time Warner Cable – available in high-resolution on your TV and online, too."

Have a video you'd like to make available through KC On Demand? Contact Time Warner Cable's Kearney representative, Jessica Trammell

(Jessica.trammell@twcable.com or 816-985-2576).

An Active Partner in Kearney

Time Warner Cable was a sponsor for the Kruisin Kearney Road Tour to benefit Toys For Tots. In addition to providing food for the hungry north area cruisers, Time Warner Cable and its employees donated a box of toys and a bag of food. The 400 classic car owners and sponsors who participated filled a cargo van with canned goods and other nonperishable food items for Kearney's food pantry as well as a super-sized Marine Corps truck with toys for Toys

For Tots.

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Summit Publications News

Summit Publications Inc. is pleased to announce that sales are beginning for the upcoming Kearney & Excelsior Springs 2009-2010 telephone directory. Our sales representatives will soon be meeting with area business owners, and will be glad to schedule a time to discuss how advertising in this local directory, or any of our 15 other metro area directories can help your business meet its objectives. For more information visit us at

www.summitpublications.net, or call (816) 628-5492 to arrange your personal consultation today!

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Northern Hills Baptist Church News

Michelle Schamp, our office assistant, has relocated to Denver, CO. We pray God's blessings on her and her family. Though we bid her a sad farewell, we are happy to welcome Sandy Noland as our new office assistant. Sandy has been our Family Outreach Center Director for many years and her duties have now been expanded to include helping with the many tasks of the front office.

We are searching for a new Youth Pastor! Our youth minister of 5 ½ years, Garrell Calton, was called into active military duty, which has propelled us forward in looking for a new full-time Youth Minister. We are accepting applications from individuals with a heart for children who are able to lead and oversee 30-100 students from age 12 to 19 and have previous experience in this area. This position would include (but is not limited to) leading Wednesday evening services, leading short Sunday morning exercises before Bible study, organizing activities outside of normal

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Service times, visiting youth in the hospital, and meeting with youth in small groups.

Seminary or Bible College education is a plus.

Successful candidate must diligently study God's word and be able to prepare and deliver messages to the youth on a regular basis, as well as fill the pulpit occasionally on Sunday morning. Interested candidates may call (816) 320-3301.

November Activities

Saturday, **November 1**,

2008, at 11:30 a.m. – **LADIES' LUNCH** – Ladies of our community are invited to come, share lunch, fellowship, praise & worship, and hear a guest speaker

Saturday, **November 8**,

2008, at 7:00 a.m. –

RETIRED MEN'S BREAKFAST – Retired men of our community are invited to come and eat, fellowship together, receive inspiration, and look at ways they can invest in the Kingdom of God, as they have more time at this point in their lives

Tuesday, **November 11**,

2008, at 7:00 p.m. – **Ladies' Prayer Bible Study**

Tuesday, **November 18**,

2008, at 11:30 a.m. – **Ministerial Alliance Meeting to be held at Northern Hills, 17211 NE 180th St, Holt MO.**

Sunday, **November 23**,

2008, at 12:30 p.m. – **Church-wide Thanksgiving Dinner – the community is welcome to join us. Bring a dish to share if you like!**

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Arts and Crafts Show

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary will be having an Arts & Crafts Show, Saturday, November 8 from 9 am - 4 pm; at the Annunciation Community Center (705 N. Jefferson).. It's free to the public. See you there!

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