

October 2002

Chamber Chatter

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Good Weather Brings Crowds to Jesse James Festival

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Calendar of Events:

October 2 – Kearney Chamber of Commerce General Membership Luncheon, NOON to 1:00 p.m., Kearney Knights of Columbus Building. Members and Guests are invited

October 9 – Liberty Chamber Mixer, 5:00 p.m., at Wicklund's CARSTAR (941 Sutton Place).

October 10 – Kelly Miller Circus, two shows, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m., next to Country Hearth Motel.

October 12 – Buddy Crappie Fishing Tournament at Smithville Lake. For information please call 628-4116 or 635-3765.

The annual Jesse James festival was deemed a success by everyone involved this year. The mild weather definitely helped. At the Jesse Games Corral, sponsored by the Kearney Chamber of Commerce, close to 450 children came through the tent. Now that's a lot of smiles!



The winners of the Frank and Jesse Treasure were Levi Casey and Amber Campbell. All the children who visited seemed to have a great time.



The Chamber would like to thank the sponsors of the Jesse Games Corral: Kearney Commercial Bank, Kearney Trust Company, Form-Tech, Inc., Thompson Mowing, Gene Baker Shelter Insurance, Crossroads Community Church, Mr. Dell Foods, Prudential Snook Realtors, Carnival Times, Mark Pederson Homes, and McDonalds. Also, a BIG

Thank-You to all the volunteers that worked in the Corral and to the Kearney Junior High National Honor Society for volunteering their time to make this event a success.



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Marlo Howard to Participate in Memory Walk

Marlo Howard of Realty Executives Area Realtors is again participating in the Memory Walk for the Alzheimer's Association. She is inviting anyone who would like to join in the walk to contact her and be on her team. She is also accepting donations for this worthy cause. Many of us have family and friends who are suffering from this devastating disease. The walk is October 5, at Mill Creek Park on the Country Club Plaza. It begins with registration at 9:00 am, and at 9:45 is the opening ceremony. The walk starts at 10:00. There is a one-mile, a two-mile or 4.5 mile walk. If you would like to contribute or be on her team, you may reach her at 320-3104 or 453-9100 X280.

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Circus Celebrates 64th year in 2002

The Kelly Miller Circus, founded during the Depression, is marking another milestone this year as it celebrates its 64th anniversary. Founded in 1938 by Obert Miller and his sons Kelly and Dores, this traditional tented circus has seen the passing of over half of this century and still offers the same great family entertainment it presented in its humble beginnings.

Thanks to the sponsorship of the Knights of Columbus, the all-new 2002 edition of the Kelly Miller Circus will be in town on Thursday, October 10th for two performances at 4:30 and 7:30 p.m., next to the Country Hearth Motel. This year's show features elephants, horses, and a cast of international circus stars under a beautiful circus big top. The tent-raising itself is a great free show that will take place at about 8:30 a.m. and the public is invited.

Enjoying a day at the circus means a lot more than just old-fashioned family fun. The event is a fundraiser for the Knights of Columbus. Buying tickets in advance means you can save money as well as support its year-round projects.

NEW MEMBERS!

The Kearney Chamber of Commerce would like to thank these two businesses for joining the Chamber:

OSK'S Cleaning Service

Jacqueline McCormack, Owner
Kearney, MO 64060
816-580-7874

Fibromyalgia Solutions

Mary Moeller
305 E. 9th Street
Kearney, MO 64060
(816) 903-5427

Eagle Vision Adds New Service

Don Fotheringham writes: "We have added a new service since we last spoke. We now have a Photography service, complete with studio backdrops and on-location photo shoots. We are now booking Senior Portraits and family portrait sittings for the fall season. We invite everyone to come in and visit us!"

Do you have something you'd like to see in the Chamber newsletter? If so, call, write, fax or email Siouxsan Eisen, editor, Chamber Chatter PO Box 242 Kearney, MO 64060 816-628-4229 fax: 816-903-1234 email: kearneychamber@exop.net

We'd LOVE to hear from you!

Free Internet Seminar!

"How Small Businesses Can have a Successful Internet Presence" will be taught by Patrick Morgan, President of InfoKwik Internet Solutions.

AGENDA: Patrick Morgan will do a presentation on the Internet and how it can benefit your business. Internet websites, marketing and advertising will be explored, as well as email marketing. Email newsletters and their value will be discussed, plus how to start your own email newsletter and the most effective way to increase sales and promote customer satisfaction.

BACKGROUND: InfoKwik Internet Solutions has been developing web solutions since 1997. They currently host and manage over 150 websites, including Excelsior Springs, Liberty, Gladstone, Kearney and Northland Chambers of Commerce. InfoKwik's website is <http://infokwik.com/>

DATE AND LOCATION: Thursday, October 10, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the Hampton Inn in Liberty, Missouri, located between I-35 and 152. To RSVP, please email info@infokwik.com or call 816-415-0776.

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Huge Sale !

Did you realize we have less than 90 days until Christmas? Let's talk and order early so you take advantage of a great savings opportunity and timely delivery. Nothing is as bad as realizing it's too late and the early order discounts are gone.

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Kearney Couple Receives Honor

Dorothy and Earl Frock of Kearney were chosen as Clay County Farm Family of the Year for 2002. They represented the county at the State Fair in Sedalia. Dorothy and Earl were honored by the Clay County Commission on September 23 and were special guests at the "Salute to Agriculture and Horticulture" dinner on September 26 at the Liberty Hill Country Club.

Rotary Club to Host Fishing Tournament

The Kearney Rotary Club hosts its first "buddy crappie tournament" for fishing enthusiasts at Smithville Lake October 12, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. the event is at Crows Creek. The entry fee is \$30 per fisherman per boat. There is a limit of two persons per boat, 18 years or older.

The fee includes biggest crappie contest, a box lunch and a prize drawing from donations of local area business sponsors. Proceeds go towards scholarships and community program assistance. The tournament is open to the public.

There are cash prizes ranging from \$500 to \$60 for the first through fifth places, based on the cumulative weight of catches per boat. The participant who catches the biggest crappie receives \$100 plus next year's entry fee.

For more information, please call 628-4116 or 635-3765.

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