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2006 YEARLY CHAMBER EVENTS

SEPTEMBER
1st - Community Pride Night (Waynesville High School Football Game)
25th - Community Forum (High School Library at 6:30 p.m.)
30th - 5k Run/Walk with Paw Paw Daze (Start and End at Old Stagecoach Stop in Waynesville at 8 a.m., check-in at 7:30 a.m.)

OCTOBER
6th - Fall Golf Tournament (Oak Hill Country Club in Dixon - 12:00 Shotgun)
25th - New Members Orientation (Chamber Office basement at 8 a.m.)

NOVEMBER
11th - Veterans Day Parade (Waynesville at 11 a.m.)
17th - Veterans Memorial Ball (Pershing Community Center on FLW 6 p.m. Social & Auction, 7 p.m. Dinner)

CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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to all of the local businesses and their employees who work to make this area a great place to live.
In honor of their hard work and dedication, we salute the workers of America on the first of the month!

Waynesville - St. Robert Chamber of Commerce

If you have any information for our community calendar, please email chamberdirector@earthlink.net or fax to 573-336-5472.

September Newsletter
Information or inserts are due in the Chamber Office by August 17th

The Monthly Newsletter for the Waynesville - St. Robert Area Chamber of Commerce

**Voice**
August 2006

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Show your Tiger Pride at the Chamber's Annual Community Pride Night



The Waynesville-St. Robert Area Chamber of Commerce would like to invite everyone to join them in the Chamber's Annual Community Pride Night, Friday, September 1, 2006 at the Waynesville High School parking lot for the Waynesville Tigers first home football game. In true tailgate fashion the Chamber will be providing free hotdogs and soda prior to the start of the game.

We would also like to take this moment to thank the following businesses for their support of this year's event:

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State Representative 148th District, David Day
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Chamber celebrates Paw Paw Daze with 2nd Annual 5K Fun Run/Walk

The time is fast approaching for all you runners, joggers, and walkers to tie up those tennis shoes and join The Waynesville-St. Robert Chamber of Commerce at their 2nd Annual 5k Fun Run/Walk to be held on Saturday, September 30th in conjunction with Paw Paw Daze in Waynesville.

Take advantage of the \$15 pre-registration fee by September 25th (with t-shirt) or register the day of the race for \$20 (t-shirt if available). Check-in will be at the Old Stage Coach Stop in Downtown Waynesville at 7:00 a.m., with run beginning at 8:00 a.m.

There are several sponsorship opportunities available for this event. Event sponsors are \$100 and will be listed in all advertisements and on the participants T-shirts. The following businesses have already committed to sponsorships: Lowe & Lowe Attorneys, Lynch's Furniture Store, Security Bank of Pulaski County and Sellers-Sexton. The Chamber is also in need of prizes for the top male and female in seven age categories.

So start stretching now for the Waynesville-St. Robert Chamber of Commerce 2nd Annual 5k Fun Run/Walk on Saturday, September 30th, in Downtown Waynesville! Interested participants can register through the Chamber of Commerce office at 137 St. Robert Blvd. or they can be reached at 573 336-5121.



~ Featured Business for August ~

It's About Customer Service

As a newspaper we wouldn't exist without our readers, advertisers, our customers.

With that realization in mind we have undertaken the most extensive customer service program in the history of our newspaper. We call the program "It's About You!"

Through this program we are honoring you: our readers, advertisers, community volunteers and employees through word and action.

The Daily Guide has taken big steps to see that the staff has the best customer service training possible. Each employee is receiving in house training that includes a nationally known customer service company. Once training is completed, each employee will be certified as a customer service professional.

Through our business, we meet people from through out the community from all walks of life, including business owners and managers. With the help of this program, we have made it our goal to provide the best customer service possible. On a daily basis, we strive to exceed expectations in customer service.

Our program also includes advertisements currently running in the paper titled "It's About You!" These advertisements are made of our employees and service related volunteers from across the area.

We have taken a pro-active approach in improving our customer service. We want you, our readers and advertisers to know that it's our goal not only to satisfy your needs, but also to make your experience the most pleasant possible.

When you complete a transaction with us, whether it's subscribing, purchasing an advertisement, calling in a news tip or reporting a service related problem, we want you to share the positive experience you've had with your friends and neighbors.

We want you to notice a difference about us and we encourage the entire business community to join us in improving customer service.

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~ Upcoming Events ~

Ribbon Cutting for Pulaski Family Activity Coalition - August 4th at 11 am at 21384 North Highway Y in St. Robert.

Fort Leonard Wood Community Spouses Club (FWCSC) Membership Drive - August 10th from 10 am until 1 pm, at #1 Essayons on Fort Leonard Wood. The FWCSC is an all-ranks, community-wide club that promotes friendships and raises funds for scholarship and welfare assistance to deserving individuals and organizations. All interested persons are invited to attend. If you have a question, contact Krista Morrison, 1st Vice President and Membership Chair, 573-433-6215 or email Krista.morrison1@us.army.mil.

Chamber Luncheon - August 9th at 11:45 am at Chopstix. Our sponsor is the Daily Guide. Cost is \$10. Call or e-mail the Chamber office to R.s.v.p. by 9 am on August 8th.

****Please note**** The Chamber of Commerce is excited to have such a large number of its members attend monthly luncheons. Unfortunately, due to the large number of last minute Chamber luncheon attendees a policy has been put into place by the Chamber Board of Directors. This policy started in April 2005; anyone who responds after the R.s.v.p. cut-off time (9:00 a.m. the Tuesday before the luncheon) or shows up without an R.s.v.p. may be charged an additional \$10. If an R.s.v.p. is received and they do not attend the luncheon there may be a \$10 charged for the meal. The decision was made to charge this amount to compensate our Chamber member restaurants for the last minute adjusts they must make to their menus.

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Welcome New Members

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**Fort Leonard Wood
Command Orientation**

*Newcomer Materials are
due to the Chamber Office By
Wednesday August 9th.*

*If you are not currently
participating in this FREE program,
you should be!
We handed out
55 packets on July 19th.*



~ September 2006 ~



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Community Pride Night	2
3	4	5 Frustrating Noon	6	7 Noon Government and Business Meeting 2:30 p.m.	8	9
10	11 Welcome Noon	12	13 Chamber Luncheon	14 Board Meeting Noon	15	16
17	18	19	20 Commund Orientation	21	22	23
24	25 Community Forum- Meet The Candidates	26	27	28	29 Committee of Fifty Luncheon	30 5K Run, Run and Walk

Monthly Events

Every Sunday ~
American Legion Breakfast 6:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Dante American Vietnam Bldg. 1:00 p.m.

Last Monday ~
Pulaski Garden Club 6:00 p.m.

Every Tuesday ~
Rotary Club meeting 12:00 p.m.

First & Third Tuesday ~
St. Robert City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.

First Tuesday ~
Lions Club meeting 6:30 p.m.
Cave State Quilts Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Old Shapsach Shop Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Second Tuesday ~
Masonic Lodge meeting 7:00 p.m.
FLW RCJA Meeting 1:30 p.m.

Third Tuesday ~
Lions Club Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Pulaski (First State Bank)

Fourth Tuesday ~
Friends of the Library 12:00 p.m.

Every Wednesday ~
Story Time at the Library 10:30 a.m.

Third Wednesday ~
ASJ MCCA Meeting 12:00 p.m.

Every Thursday ~
Kiwanis Club Meeting 6:30 a.m. Sunny's Rest.
Tarders Square Dance Lessons 6:00 p.m.

First Thursday ~
Cereology / Harvested Society Meeting 12:00

Second Thursday ~
Waynesville pub Band Meeting 5:30 p.m.
Tarders Square Dance 7:30 p.m. 799-6874

Third Thursday ~
Waynesville City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Fourth Thursday ~
Tarders Square Dance 7:30 p.m. 799-6874

Every Friday ~
Pulaski County Shins Club Meeting

Second Saturday ~
AGLOW Meeting 9:30 a.m.
PFYC Meeting 12:00 p.m.

Third Saturday ~
Cave State Quilts "Come In" 1:45 p.m.
Tarders Square Dance Lessons 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Every Sunday

~ Chamber & Tourism Update ~

Chamber Chatter ...



On behalf of the membership and board I would first like to congratulate both Cecilia and Don on their July 8th wedding and wish them many happy anniversaries! I would also like to thank everyone who Cecilia was over. I really appreciated it.

You've all heard the old adage "While the cat's away the mice will play" and play I have! The few weeks Cecilia was gone were my upscaling member profile (thank you everyone who was so helpful and generous in their support for the Committee of Fifty Casino Fairwell Dinner and getting things together for the 90th Welcoming Ceremony held on August 1st. Of course I also had the usual office rage. July saw an increase in new member packets handed out.

The Chamber continues to focus on helping develop and cultivate our growing communities. One completed project aimed at this endeavor was the recent work the Chamber Economic Development Committee did on a new project called "Community Profile". It took a lot of hard work getting the information together but now that it is complete it was well worth it. If you are interested in seeing a copy, stop by the Chamber office.

Looking ahead, we are excited to see what the future holds for the Chamber's Community Pride Night on September 1st. It's a fun evening that serves as a great "kick-off" for the autumn season. I look forward to seeing everyone come and share their "right pride!"

Executive Secretary
Waynesville-St. Robert Chamber of Commerce

Tourism Notes ...



Slow Down!!! Not just for the kids back to school, but summer is over and you have missed those opportunities to get away and explore. It's not too late, though. There are still a few more opportunities to stop by the Visitor Center for more information.

Not only has the weather heated up, so have the activities at the Tourism Bureau. We are excited to announce the award of \$30,722 in matching grant money from the Missouri Division of Tourism for marketing and advertising efforts. Work begins on the 2007 marketing campaign creation and that will tie in to the newly formed Pulaski County Visitor Guide. Look for more information on how your business can "up in to tourism" and generate additional revenue.

August also begins the marketplace season where we go and visit with prospective group tour operators to bring their bus trips to Pulaski County. Many Military Reunion planners also start their planning needs in the fall and we will be marketing to them at a couple of places this fall. We are also working on the Missouri State Chamber of Commerce's "Missouri in the Fall" The event should draw over 1,000 people from outside of the area for a 2 or 3 day event. We will be contacting the local chambers and tourism-related businesses with additional information. If you want to be added to the list for more information, please contact Beth or Pary at the Tourism Bureau and let them know.

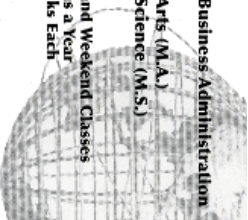
The Tourism Bureau will also have a stand-in-the-stand open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you are interested in having the Tourism Bureau distribute your business brochures at these events call to sign up now.

Hope to see you at the Visitor Center!

Andy Thigpen
Executive Director
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~ Presidents Message ~



Steve Lynch

First, we would like to congratulate Cecilia and Don on their marriage. May God bless you with many happy years! Second, I hope you have taken my theme "Make A Difference" to heart. The "daily grind" often robs us of really looking at and evaluating our businesses. If we are to grow and be successful, we must truly see our business as it really looks and operates. Stand back, and then make some difference in your business. Whether it's just a coat of paint, a new display, a new product, a new way of greeting or helping your customer, DO SOMETHING. Get excited about your business! If you don't, why would your employees or customers? Making a difference, it starts with you!

~ Ribbon Cuttings ~



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July 14th
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~ August 2006 ~

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		1 Fundraising Committee Noon	2	3 Noven Government and Military Affairs 2:30 p.m. Eco. Development	4	5
6	7	8	9 Chamber Luncheon Chopstix	10	11	12
13	14 Welcoming Committee Noon	15	16 Command Orientation	17 Board Meeting Noon	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Committee of Fifty Luncheon	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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Last Monday ~ Planters Garden Club 6:00 p.m.	Fourth Tuesday ~ Friends of the Library 12:00 p.m.	Third Thursday ~ Waynesville City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.
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First Tuesday ~ Lions Club meeting 6:30 p.m. Cave State Cruisers Meeting 7:00 p.m. Old Stagecoach Stop Meeting 5:30 p.m.	Every Thursday ~ Kiwanis Club Meeting 6:30 a.m. Snitty's Rest. Travelers Square Dance Lessons 6:00 p.m.	Second Saturday ~ AGLOW Meeting 9:30 a.m. PFAC Meeting 12:00 p.m.
Second Tuesday ~ Masonic Lodge meeting 7:00 p.m. FLW RCGA Meeting 1:30 p.m.	First Thursday ~ Genealogy / Historical Society Meeting 12:00	Third Saturday ~ Cave State Cruisers "Cruise In" 1-5 p.m.
		Every Sunday Traveler's Square Dance Lessons 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.