

KIRKSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER . . .

Mari E. Macomber, City Manager *MEM*

Copies to: City Attorney
Media

April 17, 2009

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DATES TO REMEMBER

4/19 – Skate Park Grand Opening @ 2:00 pm
4/20 – City Council Study Session @ 5:00 pm
4/20 – Council Meeting @ 6:00 pm
4/25 – Veterans' Appreciation Events @ 9 am
4/30 – TIF Commission Public Hearing @ 3:30 pm Council Chambers
4/30 – Sheltered Workshop BAH @ 5:30 at Sheltered Workshop
5/3 – Sheltered Workshop Anniversary Celebration at Amphitheater from 2-5
5/4 – Study Session @ 5:00 pm
5/5 – Governmental Affairs @ 7:30 am
5/5 – ATC @ 12:00 pm
5/5 – LPRC @ 12:00 pm
5/6 – Historic Preservation Commission @ 4:00 pm

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS CONFERENCE

The Missouri Municipal League Annual Conference for Newly Elected Officials will be held Jun 11 – 12. The program agenda can be viewed at:

<http://www.mocities.com/UserFiles/EOT%20Agenda%20for%20Review%202009.pdf?PHPSESSID=acfd9523f6ea92bb899df240dedb5ba5>. To receive the prepaid conference rate, the fee would have to be received by MML by June 5. Please let Vickie know if you plan to attend by mid-May to allow ample time for requisition preparation and registration. The City pays all expenses for the Council to attend this Conference – registration, hotel, travel, meals, etc.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council will have an Executive Session after your regular meeting on Monday evening for the purpose of contract negotiations.

KIC SURVEY ONLINE

The Kirksville Image Committee was asked by the City Council to help improve the image of the City. KIC has put together a very simple survey to find out from people the things that they saw as improvements in 2008, areas where improvements can be made, and how the respondent believes he/she can help. The survey will be sent out in the next Connection at the end of this month and is available on-line. The survey has been included in your Newsletter.

GREEN SALES TAX

The City of Kirksville adopted the Green Sales Tax holiday making green star appliances tax exempt from the City's sales taxes for the period from April 19 to 25. The County followed suit. The State had already implemented the exemption on their sales tax. The only taxing district not participating is the Adair County Ambulance District. The exemption is on ENERGY STAR-labeled appliances that qualify for the sales tax exemption including: clothes washers, refrigerators, freezers, dishwashers, water heaters, furnaces, air conditioners and heat pumps.

STIMULUS PACKAGE GRANTS

The City has already submitted a request for funding through the Economic Development Administration. The Council is being asked to consider several law enforcement grants on Monday's agenda. The Fire Department is currently researching the possibility of applying for funding for fire service which will be determined in May. We also submitted several public works projects through the state. We did receive good news, in that the State requested more information on the projects. Cherie Bryant attended a grant workshop on the stimulus funding programs, and is working to keep us informed about possible opportunities.

KIRK TRAN UPDATE

The City is the sponsoring agency for KIRK TRAN and has tried several times over the years to get United Way to include KIRK TRAN as a funded agency. United Way would not open up the opportunity to consider this. This year, they did. The KIRK TRAN board agreed to submit an application. Cherie Bryant put the application together with information from key KIRK TRAN board members and OATS. We were rewarded for this effort at the United Way board voted to approve Kirk-Tran as a partner agency with the condition of "probation for one year during which time it must demonstrate it can fulfill the membership requirements based on the Admissions Criteria. This means that KIRK TRAN needs to establish itself as a not for profit. City staff will work with KIRK TRAN to get this requirement completed. In addition, United Way commented on the application, noting it was the best that they had seen in awhile.

VETERANS APPRECIATION

Kirksville's Disabled American Veterans, Local Chapter #48 will once again have its annual Veterans Appreciation Day on April 25th, 2009 at the Reiger Armory in Kirksville. This will be the Twelfth year of this event. This year they had over 300 people, mostly veterans and their wives attended and visit the booths (tables) that were set up. This year they are hoping to have more community members participate. Throughout the day they will have door prizes, country music, and a variety of information booths. The Auxiliary will have a White Elephant Sale and a Bake Sale. Lunch will be served from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm catered by Westerns at \$6.50 a plate. State Senator, Wes Shoemyer and Representative Rebecca McClanahan will be making remarks at about 1:15 p.m.

AIRCHOICE ONE BAH

The business after hours sponsored by AirChoice One was well attended. This was an opportunity to get business people out there to see the aircraft and meet the staff of AirChoice One. This was also the first event approved by the Council that allowed alcohol on city property under the terms of the

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policy recently adopted. There were no incidents. Pictures from the event are included.

JOB FAIR

The Missouri Career Center at Moberly is hosting a job fair on Tuesday of next week from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. at the NEMO FAIRGROUNDS. Area employers will be there. This will be a good opportunity for local residents to see what is available.

SKATE PARK UPDATE

Suburban Rails was in Kirksville this past week, to finish a couple of items to complete the park. Mihalevich began their work on the concrete work. The park is really shaping up. Included in your packet is a logo that was developed for the park by Truman students. This logo will be used on stickers and t-shirts that will be available to the skate boarders and others.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

The Missouri Advisory Council on Historic Preservation will be considering the application from Carlson Gardner to place the Travelers Hotel on the National Register of Historic Places. The Council will be considering this application on May 15. Would the Council like to send a letter of support for this action?

KIRKSVILLE CASH

Councilman Kuhns had sent an article out to everyone regarding communities that print their own money. The community had Downtown Bucks for awhile and the Chamber now has Chamber Bucks. Both of these were really gift certificates that could be redeemed for the cash value at any participating store. Discussions of local preference and what else could be done to encourage purchasing from local vendors was a topic discussed several weeks ago by the Council. During that meeting Councilman Kuhns mentioned the works of Michael H. Shuman author of several books including, Going Local – Creating Self-reliant Communities in a Global Age and The Small-Mart Revolution – How Local Businesses are Beating the Global Competition. The idea of communities printing their own money was discussed. The idea is to use the locally printed currency as real cash to be used and traded. Some communities who do this sell the cash to others as a discount to help spark local purchases. We are looking into this and will report more at a later date.

Attachments

- Passenger Numbers
- Humane Society Report
- Green Sales Tax Press Release
- Air Choice One BAH Pictures
- Skate Park Logo
- DNR Historic Preservation Letter
- Community Currency

Month	Scheduled Flights	Actual Flights	Deplaned Passengers	Enplaned Passengers	Number of Passengers per Day	Passenger Per Flight
Nov-06	88	82	145	174	10.68	2.78
Dec-06	100	98	140	208	7.32	2.61
Jan-07	108	96	132	135	8.35	2.49
Feb-07	92	87	112	115	9.36	2.73
Mar-07	106	104	123	136	8.35	2.49
Apr-07	102	96	140	122	8.13	2.44
May-07	108	104	114	145	10.29	2.75
Jun-07	102	100	113	131	9.87	2.77
Jul-07	116	116	156	163	7.23	2.07
Aug-07	108	107	157	139	10.74	3.14
Sep-07	110	108	108	116	12.50	3.68
Oct-07	108	106	161	172	10.74	3.14
Nov-07	104	102	187	188	12.50	3.68
Dec-07	104	84	107	135	7.81	2.88
Jan-08	108	94	104	130	7.55	2.49
Feb-08	100	91	48	64	3.61	1.23
Mar-08	100	92	82	75	5.06	1.71
Apr-08	96	92	77	88	5.32	1.79
May-08	110	105	64	87	4.87	1.44
Jun-08	96	86	61	45	3.42	1.23
Jul-08	8	6	12	12	0.77	4.00
Aug-08	94	85	30	41	2.29	0.84
Sep-08	96	96	70	68	4.45	1.44
Oct-08	100	100	89	76	5.32	1.65
Nov-08	90	90	62	68	4.19	1.44
Dec-08	104	104	64	55	3.84	1.14
Jan-09	96	96	60	52	3.61	1.17
Feb-09	88	88	36	47	2.96	0.94
Mar-09	98	98	73	74	4.74	1.50

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ADAIR COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

P.O. Box 481

Kirksville, Missouri 63501

April 3, 2009

TO: Kirksville City Manager

FROM: Adair County Humane Society

RE: March Report

Received from City	Dogs	3 0
	Cats	2 3
	Puppies	1
	Kittens	0
Reclaimed by Owner	Dogs	1 0
	Cats	0
	Puppies	0
	Kittens	0
Euthanized from City	Dogs	7
	Cats	1 3
	Puppies	0
	Kittens	0
Brought to Shelter Dead	Dogs	0
	Cats	3
	Puppies	0
	Kittens	0
	Other	3 0


Jackie Eaton, Treasurer

For Immediate Release
Date: April 17, 2009
Contact: Ted Farnen
Phone: (573) 751-8222

First Show-Me Green Sales Tax Holiday Makes Its Debut April 19-25

JEFFERSON CITY – Citizens will be able to save money, conserve energy and stimulate the economy by participating in the first Show-Me Green Sales Tax Holiday, which runs Sunday, April 19, through Saturday, April 25.

The holiday means a savings of at least 4.225 percent to people who purchase new ENERGY STAR® qualified appliances in Missouri during the holiday. The reduced price represents the elimination of the state's sales tax from the purchase.

Gov. Jay Nixon noted the many benefits of the new tax holiday.

“Consumers win because they will get a discount on some appliances, and they will save money on their future utility bills,” Gov. Nixon said. “Appliance dealers win because they will sell more products and get much-needed foot traffic into their stores. And everyone wins when we improve our environment by using energy more efficiently. It’s a win-win-win situation.”

The creation of the Show-Me Green Sales Tax Holiday was part of legislation (Senate Bill 1181) approved by the Missouri General Assembly in 2008. This is the first year the holiday has been implemented, and it will be held the same time in future years.

Karen King Mitchell, director of the Missouri Department of Revenue, noted that several local governmental entities have also opted to participate in the holiday. This means that some purchases will be exempt not just from the state sales tax, but also city, county and special district sales taxes. Nine counties, 58 cities and eight special districts (all listed below) have opted to participate in the holiday.

“Anyone who buys a qualified appliance in Missouri will be exempt from paying the state sales tax,” Mitchell said. “But people can obtain maximum savings in towns or cities where the local governments have decided to participate in the holiday. In some cities, the tax savings jump from 4.225 percent to nearly 8 percent.”

“During these tough economic times, saving money is important to everyone,” Mitchell added. “The Show-Me Green Sales Tax Holiday represents an ideal time to buy energy-efficient appliances because you can get them at a reduced price and also save money on your future utility bills.”

Mitchell stressed that to qualify for the tax savings, the appliances must have the ENERGY STAR label on them. ENERGY STAR is a joint program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy. The program allows manufacturers of appliances to voluntarily label selected appliances if they meet certain criteria. The goal is to promote appliances that perform as well or better than similar appliances while using less energy. The program has saved businesses and consumers billions of dollars since its inception in 1992.

ENERGY STAR-labeled appliances that qualify for the sales tax exemption are:

- Clothes washers
- Refrigerators
- Freezers
- Dishwashers
- Water heaters
- Furnaces
- Air conditioners
- Heat pumps

Although SB 1181 listed other appliances eligible for the sales tax savings, not all appliances have met ENERGY STAR guidelines. Examples of appliances NOT eligible for the sales tax exemption are clothes dryers, trash compactors and conventional ovens. Lighting fixtures, office equipment, home electronics, televisions and other non-appliance ENERGY STAR-

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labeled products are also not eligible for the sales tax exemption since they are not specifically listed in SB 1181.

The sales tax exemption only applies to the first \$1,500 on each appliance. If an appliance costs more than \$1,500, the regular sales tax rate is in effect for any of the purchase price above \$1,500. The purchase of the appliance must also be made during the sales tax holiday, even if delivery of the appliance is made after April 25.

Gov. Nixon also noted that Missouri citizens are not the only ones who can benefit.

“I would encourage our neighbors in Iowa, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Nebraska to shop in Missouri April 19th through the 25th and take advantage of the great savings this holiday provides,” he said.

Counties that have opted to participate in the holiday and have eliminated their county sales taxes on qualified purchases are: Adair, Crawford, Daviess, Gasconade, Johnson, Morgan, Pettis, Ripley and Ste. Genevieve.

Participating cities are: Airport Drive, Arnold, Aurora, Ava, Bethany, Bowling Green, Branson West, Brookfield, Butler, Carrollton, Cottleville, Dardenne Prairie, Desloge, Dexter, Fenton, Fredericktown, Fulton, Gladstone, Hannibal, Hazelwood, Hermann, Hillsboro, Ironton, Jackson, Kahoka, Kansas City, Kirksville, Lee’s Summit, Lexington, Macon, Marble Hill, Maryville, Memphis, Mexico, Osceola, Overland, Pacific, Perryville, Platte City, Raymore, Republic, Richmond, Rock Hill, Rock Port, Rolla, Salem, Salisbury, St. Charles, Ste. Genevieve, Sunset Hills, Tarkio, Town & Country, Union, Unionville, Warrensburg, Warsaw, Washington and Willow Springs.

Participating districts are: Antioch Center Community Improvement District (CID) (Kansas City), Central Jackson Fire Protection District, Independence Events Center CID, Joachim-Plattin Ambulance District (Jefferson County), Performing Arts CID (Kansas City), Phoenix Center CID (Washington, MO), South Metropolitan Fire Protection District (Raymore), and Town Plaza CID (Cape Girardeau).

Additional information regarding the Show-Me Green Sales Tax Holiday can be obtained at <http://dor.mo.gov/tax/business/sales/taxholiday/green/> or e-mail us at: salesuse@dor.mo.gov.

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STATE OF MISSOURI
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, Governor • Mark N. Templeton, Director

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April 10, 2009

Honorable Jeff Newton
Mayor, City of Kirksville
201 S. Franklin
Kirksville, MO 63501

Re: Travelers Hotel, 301 West Washington Street, Kirksville, Adair County

Dear Mayor Newton:

We are pleased to inform you that the above named property will be considered by the Missouri Advisory Council on Historic Preservation for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. The National Register of Historic Places is the Federal government's official list of historic properties worthy of preservation. Listing in the National Register provides recognition and assists in preserving our Nation's heritage.

Listing of the property provides recognition of the community's historic importance and assures protective review of Federal projects that might adversely affect the character of the historic property. If the property is listed in the National Register, certain Federal investment tax credits for rehabilitation and other provisions may apply.

Listing in the National Register does not mean that limitations will be placed on the properties by the Federal government. Public visitation rights are not required of owners. The Federal government will not attach restrictive covenants to the properties or seek to acquire them.

You are invited to attend the Missouri Advisory Council meeting at which the nomination will be considered. The council will meet at 9 a.m. on Friday May 15, 2009 at the Lewis and Clark State Office Building, 1101 Riverside Drive, LaCharrette Room, Jefferson City, Missouri.

Attached please find a notice that explains, in greater detail, the results of listing in the National Register and that describes the rights and procedures by which an owner may comment on or object to listing in the National Register. Please read the information thoroughly. If you have questions after reading the attachments, please contact Tiffany Patterson, National Register Coordinator, State Historic Preservation Office, PO Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102, e-mail tiffany.patterson@dnr.mo.gov or by phone at 573/751-7858.

Sincerely,

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE



Mark A. Miles
Director and Deputy
State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosures 2

c: Cydney Millstein, preparer

COMMUNITIES PRINT THEIR OWN CURRENCY TO KEEP CASH FLOWING

By Marisol Bello, USA TODAY

A small but growing number of cash-strapped communities are printing their own money.

Borrowing from a Depression-era idea, they are aiming to help consumers make ends meet and support struggling local businesses.

The systems generally work like this: Businesses and individuals form a network to print currency. Shoppers buy it at a discount — say, 95 cents for \$1 value — and spend the full value at stores that accept the currency.

Workers with dwindling wages are paying for groceries, yoga classes and fuel with Detroit Cheers, Ithaca Hours in New York, Plenty in North Carolina or BerkShares in Massachusetts.

Ed Collom, a University of Southern Maine sociologist who has studied local currencies, says they encourage people to buy locally. Merchants, hurting because customers have cut back on spending, benefit as consumers spend the local cash.

"We wanted to make new options available," says Jackie Smith of South Bend, Ind., who is working to launch a local currency. "It reinforces the message that having more control of the economy in local hands can help you cushion yourself from the blows of the marketplace."

About a dozen communities have local currencies, says Susan Witt, founder of BerkShares in the Berkshires region of western Massachusetts. She expects more to do it.

Under the BerkShares system, a buyer goes to one of 12 banks and pays \$95 for \$100 worth of BerkShares, which can be spent in 370 local businesses. Since its start in 2006, the system, the largest of its kind in the country, has circulated \$2.3 million worth of BerkShares. In Detroit, three business owners are printing \$4,500 worth of Detroit Cheers, which they are handing out to customers to spend in one of 12 shops.

During the Depression, local governments, businesses and individuals issued currency, known as scrip, to keep commerce flowing when bank closings led to a cash shortage.

By law, local money may not resemble federal bills or be promoted as legal tender of the United States, says Claudia Dickens of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

"We print the real thing," she says.

The IRS gets its share. When someone pays for goods or services with local money, the income to the business is taxable, says Tom Ochenschlager of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. "It's not a way to avoid income taxes, or we'd all be paying in Detroit dollars," he says.

Pittsboro, N.C., is reviving the Plenty, a defunct local currency created in 2002. It is being printed in denominations of \$1, \$5, \$20 and \$50. A local bank will exchange \$9 for \$10 worth of Plenty.

"We're a wiped-out small town in America," says Lyle Estill, president of Piedmont Biofuels, which accepts the Plenty. "This will strengthen the local economy. ... The nice thing about the Plenty is that it can't leave here."

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