

Community news and information published by the City of Kirksville

## KIRKSVILLE RECEIVES TOP HONORS AT THE COMMUNITY BETTERMENT AWARDS BANQUET



The Kirksville community received the 1<sup>st</sup> place award in their population category at the Missouri Community Betterment (MCB) Awards Banquet held in Jefferson City, Missouri on October 19<sup>th</sup>. Kirksville received the award based on the volunteer spirit and self-help attitude of the community. Projects that were featured in the competition application were the Highway 63 Alternate Route, Tornado Recovery, the Kirksville Arts Association Mural Contest, the Skate Board Park, the HIT DNA lab in progress, and the Jefferson Street improvements.

Kirksville Community Betterment, a committee of the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce, was able to demonstrate exceptional cooperation among the City of Kirksville, Truman State University, A.T. Still University of Health, K-REDI, the Chamber of Commerce and many local volunteer and service groups. This cooperation illustrates what we have always known here in Kirksville—The success of any community starts with the people and their involvement and Kirksville is truly a community where, "People Make the Difference."

The Missouri Community Betterment (MCB) Program is designed to help Missouri communities enhance their life through overall community development, planning, and implementation. The MCB Program is sponsored by the Missouri Community Betterment Educational Fund, Inc. (MCBEF), which is a private, not-for-profit corporation made up of businesses, public utilities, community representatives, federal and state agencies and individuals.



## TREES ADDED TO LOCAL PARKS

Fall is a great time to plant trees and that is just what happened in two of our local parks recently: Rotary Park and North Park. A Master Plan for each park was developed and approved by the Lakes, Parks and Recreation Commission. The Missouri Department of Conservation's Forestry Division then used the Master Plans to develop a Tree Plan for each park.

The Rotary Park Tree Plan called for an additional 49 trees to be planted, primarily along the park boundaries, amphitheatre and along Steer Creek. The Rotary Clubs of Kirksville purchased the trees and mulch and provided much of the labor needed to plant the trees. Rotary Club members and employees of the Missouri Department of Conservation met on Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> to plant the trees at their designated locations.

The North Park Tree Plan was selected by the 2009 Kirksville Leadership Institute as the group project for the class. They conducted a media campaign, direct mailing campaign for donations and held a BBQ Fundraiser on September 18<sup>th</sup>. They purchased 43 trees and planted them during the week of October 19<sup>th</sup> with

the help of crews from the City, the Missouri Department of Conservation and numerous volunteers.

Both of these projects will provide a very visible improvement to our parks. They help define the park boundaries and will provide much needed shade for all park users. These projects would not have been possible without the help of the Missouri Department of Conservation's Forestry Division, Rotary Club of Kirksville, Thousand Hills Rotary Club, Kirksville Leadership Institute and all of the donors to the North Park Shade Tree Campaign!

## WINTER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

Snow will soon be falling; making our daily life a challenge. Please keep the snow emergency rules in mind this year when snow is in the forecast. Snow removal involves all the citizens of Kirksville. Property owners and tenants are required to keep the sidewalks along and in front of their property clear of snow, and must remove all snow from sidewalks within 24 hours after a snowfall. City crews will work as quickly as possible to clear the streets, and will work as long as necessary to keep them clear during a storm. The patience and cooperation of the City's residents is needed and appreciated to keep winter storms a minor inconvenience, rather than a major disaster. Have a fun and safe winter season!



# HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION REQUESTS PICTURES AND HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The newly formed Kirksville Historic Preservation Commission is interested in receiving pictures that show people, buildings, or scenes or articles that tell about Kirksville and its past. The Commission would love to take your original picture, scan it, and feature it in the Miscellaneous Historical Information section on our web site for others to enjoy. Call us at 627-1272 if you have something to share.

If you want to see where the information will be used or to check out the historic information we have so far, visit our web-site at [www.kirksvillecity.com](http://www.kirksvillecity.com).

Once on the City's website click on the following.

- City Council
- Boards and Committees
- Kirksville Historic Preservation Commission

Read the brief description on who the Commission is, what they do and when they meet, then

Use the "click [here](#) for more information" option to view the Historic Properties and Sites section.



## KIRK-TRAN COUPONS AVAILABLE

Need ideas for birthdays or Holidays? Purchase a Kirk-Tran Fixed Route Coupon Booklet!

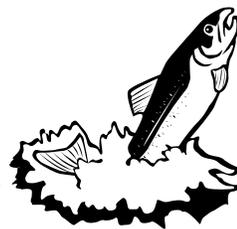
The Fixed Route operates Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., and includes 19 stops including: Wal-Mart; Hy-Vee; St. Andrews Apartments; The Gutensohn Clinic and more. Fare is \$2.00 per one-way trip or purchase a booklet of 10 tickets for just \$15.00! Booklets can be purchased from the Fixed-Route Driver or at Kirksville City Hall. You must have exact change for fares or to purchase booklets. Children 9 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Children 5 and under ride free.

There is also a Demand-Response system which operates from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and travels within a 15 mile radius of downtown Kirksville. Riders must schedule their point to point stops in advance by calling 665-8404 or (877) 666-KIRK (5475), between the hours of 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. Fare is only \$3.00 per one-way trip.

For more information visit [www.kirksvillecity.com](http://www.kirksvillecity.com) click on the Residents tab on the left and explore what Kirk Tran has to offer.

## TROUT SEASON OPENS

Spur Pond will again be restocked with trout in preparation of the Catch and Release Season in Missouri which runs from November 1st to January 31st. Please keep the following information in mind when heading out to fish: Trout must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught; only flies, artificial and soft plastic baits (unscented) may be used for all species of fish; a Fishing Permit is required, but a Trout Permit is *not required* during the catch and release season; most importantly—Have Fun!



*For more information regarding fishing regulations, please visit the Missouri Department of Conservation's website at [www.mdc.mo.gov](http://www.mdc.mo.gov), or call 785-2420.*

### Let us serve you:

Airport	665-5020
Aquatic Center	627-7665
Business Licenses	627-1251
City Manager	627-1225
Codes/Inspections	627-1272
Community Service Dir	627-1224
Economic Development	627-1224
Engineering	627-1272
Finance	627-1251
Fire Department	627-3734
Municipal Court	627-1237
Parks & Recreation	627-1485
Police Department	785-6945
Public Works	627-1291
Water/Sewer Bills	627-1251

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### Kirksville Regional Airport (IRK) Flight Schedule

Monday—Friday	Depart STL-7:45 AM	Arrive IRK-8:45 AM
Monday—Friday	Depart IRK-9:00 AM	Arrive STL-10:00 AM
Sunday—Friday	Depart STL-4:45 PM	Arrive IRK-5:45 PM
Sunday—Friday	Depart IRK-6:00 PM	Arrive STL-7:00 PM



**Flights to St. Louis starting at \$50.00! Tickets can be purchased on-line at [www.airchoiceone.com](http://www.airchoiceone.com). For more information about the Kirksville Regional Airport visit [www.kirksvillecity.com](http://www.kirksvillecity.com) or call 627-0100.**