



Palmyra Chamber of Commerce

Chamber News

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FEATURED BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

UNITED COUNTRY RAVENS CRAFT & ASSOCIATES

When it comes to selling a home, marketing is the number-one tool to get the job done. If you can't get people to look at your listing, you're not going to make a sale. It's that simple. Marketing is where United Country Ravenscraft & Associates really excels.

United Country Ravenscraft & Associates opened its first location in January 2008 on Main Street in Palmyra in a residence that John Ravenscraft once called home. In 2010, they opened a second office on Hwy W in Hannibal. In just five years, the business has grown to 18 sales agents who serve the Northeast Missouri area. They have listings from Kahoka to Madison and everywhere in between. To quote John Ravenscraft, "Have sign will travel!" United Country sells residential and commercial properties and well as land, and in 2012, added auction services to the business to offer another option to sellers.

In addition to his work with the agency, John has contributed to the communities in which he has lived and worked. He has served on the Palmyra Library Board, is Past President of the Hannibal Chamber of Commerce, and currently serves on the Hannibal Nutrition Center Board and the Planning & Zoning Commission for the City of Hannibal. United Country Ravenscraft & Associates also sponsors the Little Mister and Miss Contest for the Marion County Fair.

United Country feels it has some of the best marketing in the real estate business. That's why United Country is the largest national real estate company specializing in lifestyle real estate since 1925. For example, if a seller has recreational property for sale, United will call the home office to access a confidential buyer list. The customized database is updated and purged every six months and matches clients with specific wants. Agents will then contact individuals and, often, before a property goes on the market it is sold.

John Ravenscraft sees a bright future for real estate in our area, and wouldn't be surprised if all the real estate companies see tremendous growth in 2013 sales. United Country Ravenscraft & Associates has never had a bad year since opening in 2008 despite the fact that they opened during the Real Estate Depression, the absolutely worst time to open a real estate office. Northeast Missouri's mix of prime hunting ground, recreational opportunities and our hometown appeal make this area an ideal place to live or relocate.

At United Country Ravenscraft & Associates, the staff looks at everyday as an opportunity to meet new people and to help them reach their goal of either selling or buying real estate. There is nothing more rewarding than making people happy when they pair the right buyer and seller with a property. They believe every customer is important and take the extra steps to represent them.



Grand Opening
in April 2008.

Former location at
414 S Main

BUSINESS INFO

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Chamber Briefs...

PALMYRA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MONTHLY MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2013

The Palmyra Chamber of Commerce held its monthly meeting at the VFW Hall Tuesday, May 14. President Michelle Merkel welcomed Chamber members, community guests, and FBLA members Katee Hinkle and Kelsey Martin. She encouraged all to become involved in Flag Day; the Chamber is hosting a patriotic parade on June 15 and VFW will loan flags to interested groups. Anyone willing to help make a float, ride on a float as a veteran, transport veterans, or dress in patriotic costume should contact the Palmyra Chamber Office at 769-0777 or call Michelle Merkel, Michele Hopson, Diane Smith or Nancy Morris of Townsquare Media. Palmyra State Bank will be hosting Business After Hours on May 22nd from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. On June 11, Ginny & Rodney Kuntmeyer will host Business After Hours together at The Old Stone House Inn from 5 – 7 p.m.

BASF HEALTH & SAFETY FAIR

Darryl Ferguson of BASF invited the Palmyra Chamber to have a booth at the BASF Annual Health & Safety Fair taking place on Wednesday, June 19, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The event will be open to BASF employees and their immediate families as well as contractor personnel and their immediate family members.

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION MEETING

Ed Dent reminded those present that all are invited to the Downtown Revitalization meeting sponsored by the Chamber on Tuesday, May 28 from 6 – 8 p.m. in the former Ben Franklin Building. Rosemann & Associates will present a slide show on past successes with downtown revitalization and answer questions. Light refreshments will be served.

FLANAGAN SOUTH PIPELINE

The May program was presented by Katie Lange and her colleague, Mike DeRosia, of the Flanagan South Pipeline Project. Ms. Lange shared details about the Enbridge project which is slated to begin early August of this year with a completion target of mid-2014. The 600-mile, 36-inch diameter interstate crude oil pipeline will originate in Flanagan, Ill. and terminate in Cushing, Okla., crossing Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma. The majority of the pipeline will parallel Enbridge's existing Spearhead crude oil pipeline right-of-way. Enbridge will install seven pump stations including one at the Flanagan terminal and six along the pipeline route, one of these in Quincy, IL. Initial capacity will be 600,000 barrels per day. Pre-construction Open Houses will be held mid-July.

The Flanagan South Pipeline Project will provide a long-term, stable and reliable source of energy for the U.S, enhancing the nation's energy security. Communities located along the pipeline route will benefit from property taxes over the life of the pipeline, as well as from the creation of high-paying construction and manufacturing jobs, and associated economic activity during construction. There will be local job opportunities for skilled trades during the construction phase, and a local and regional economic boost from the purchase of local services, products and materials. With 500-600 workers working on this phase of the project, hotels, rentals, restaurants, and other similar businesses will see increased business.

A variety of service providers are needed to meet the project needs ranging from access road development and equipment rental to catering and lodging. The Palmyra Chamber of Commerce is working with Enbridge to compile this list and interested businesses should contact the Chamber office at palmyrachamber@centurytel.net or 573-769-2803 Tuesdays or Thursdays.

The meeting ended with the traditional "featured business of the month" drawing. To read articles about the featured businesses, go to Chamber News on the Internet, which can be viewed by all by accessing the Chamber of Commerce page under COMMUNITY RESOURCES at www.showmepalmyra.com.

upcoming events **CALENDAR**

Friday, June 7
ACS Relay for Life

Flower City Park, Palmyra
from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m.



Saturday, June 15
Flag Day Parade

*Sponsored by the Palmyra
Chamber of Commerce*

At 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 15th, a parade will be coming down Main Street in Palmyra, and the Palmyra Chamber of Commerce wants YOU to be a part of it! Using the American flag as inspiration, the parade theme will be patriotic. Come dressed as Uncle Sam or Betsy Ross, join your fellow veterans, transport or assist veterans if you didn't serve personally, or dress your pet in red, white & blue. Think USA! Call the Chamber Office at 573-769-0777 to get your name on the parade list. At the conclusion of the parade the VFW will dedicate the flags displayed on Main Street and around the square. Food will be served by the Palmyra Jaycees.

Saturday, July 27 -
Saturday, August 3
Marion County Fair

July 27 Fair Parade
Queen Contest
Ford Night at the Fair, Car Show & Concert
July 28 Ministerial Alliance Church day
July 29 Tate Shade Bull Bash
July 30 Old Iron Club Antique Tractor and
Garden Tractor Pull
July 31 4 Wheelers
August 1 Motocross
August 2 Jaycee's Demolition Derby
August 4 Young Farmers Truck and Tractor Pull

REMINDER

YOUR NEXT CHAMBER MEETING IS
Tues., June 11, 2013 • VFW Hall
Topic: Palmyra's Fourth of July Celebration
with Guest Speaker Mary Schaible