



Palmyra Chamber of Commerce

# Chamber News

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FEATURED CHAMBER EVENT

## TASTE OF PALMYRA

The count down to the 9th annual Taste of Palmyra has begun. Main Street will be filled with great food, musical entertainment, children's activities, crafts, a car and tractor show and just plain old-fashioned fun! The date: Monday, October 19. The time: 5 – 9 p.m. The place: Main Street in Downtown Palmyra from Church Street to Lafayette. There's something for everyone!

Children will love Taste of Palmyra! Young trick-or-treaters can gather in costume at Palmyra's fire station between 5 – 6 p.m. for Trunk-or-Treat. Several Palmyra Chamber business members will be offering treats from the back of their vehicles. Games for preschoolers will be provided by Palmyra Parents As Teachers, B&S Insurance is sponsoring a pedal pull, and kids can try their hand at the football toss at Farmer's Mutual Insurance booth. From 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Heritage Seekers has a special Fun House planned at the Old Marion County Jail; who knows what they have in store at such a historic spot!? Palmyra United Methodist Church will have also have youth activities. First grade art will be on display at Nearly New, the Rip Shop and State Farm. Windows at Bond Law Firm, C&R, County Market, and SSD Build will be painted by Palmyra High School students!

Tough guys will love Taste of Palmyra! There's an Antique Tractor Show sponsored by B&S Insurance and an Antique/Classic Car Show sponsored by Bud's Paint & Body Shop. Entry forms are available online at <http://showmepalmyra.com/> or by contacting the sponsor or the Palmyra Chamber.

Music lovers will love Taste of Palmyra! The Entertainment Stages will feature Judge Rachel Bringer Shepherd, the Mission Hillers, Palmyra Elite Cheer, the Palmyra United Methodist Church Praise Band, the Palmyra High School Pom Pon Squad, and Burnt Toast. You can relax on the hay bales and be wowed from 5:15 – 9 p.m.

Foodies will love Taste of Palmyra! Arrive early before your favorite indulgences sell out. Stay late so you can sample something from every vendor. Offerings - which include chicken and noodles, catfish sandwiches, pulled



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pork, cheese soup, onion rings, fried Oreos, turkey legs, kettle corn, and funnel cakes - will please a diverse palate.

Craft enthusiasts will love Taste of Palmyra! Come check out vendors with items large and small, old and new: baby items, candles, fall arrangements, fan wear, handmade bows, jewelry, kitchen towels, memory stones, paper crafts, pet tags, purses, scarves and more! The Olive Branch, the new Antiques and Interiors store in Palmyra located on the corner of Olive and Lane, will be open from 5 – 8 p.m. for shoppers wanting to stop in.

As event coordinator, Michelle Merkel summed up, "Come out and enjoy the festivities! When the community of Palmyra comes together for fun, friendship and reminiscing, it's a great time for all."

**Mark your calendar NOW! You won't want to miss Taste of Palmyra, Monday, October 19th!**

# Chamber Briefs...

## PALMYRA CHAMBER MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

The Palmyra Chamber of Commerce held its monthly meeting Tuesday, September 8, at SSD Build. Josh Steffen, Principal of SSD Build gave a presentation on "Mixed Use Development- Making Downtown Buildings Profitable." He discussed: 1) Assessing the value of existing property, 2) Calculating maximum possible rental income potential, 3) Estimating the maximum amount of building value after renovation, and 4) Building renovation design and construction strategies. Members were encouraged to examine the historic architecture of their buildings and reuse salvageable components. When remodeling residential apartments, "The nicer you make them, the easier it will be to keep good tenants," shared Steffen.

The concept of small business incubation space, i.e. office space for businesses that don't need storefront office space, generated interested. Business owners may have the potential to supplement income by dividing the 1st floor into storefront space and one or two back offices. Behind SSD Build's storefront office, for example, TLB Tax has an office, and there is yet another office waiting to be rented in the rear of the building. [Click Here for more details.](#)

The Palmyra Chamber's October Luncheon Meeting will be held at noon on Tuesday, October 13, at HATS. Jared Pontius, new Palmyra R-1 High School Principal, will present the program. The public is invited.



## upcoming events CALENDAR

### October 3

Palmyra City Wide Garage Sale  
9:30 a.m. Olive Branch Ribbon Cutting  
preceding Grand Opening

### October 9

Golf Tournament to benefit NEMO  
Developmentally Disabled facility,  
Jackson Park Golf Course

### October 17

Who Will You Run For? 5K Run/Walk to  
benefit American Cancer Society, Flower  
City Park; registration 7:15 - 7:45 a.m.

### October 19

5 - 9 p.m.: Taste of Palmyra

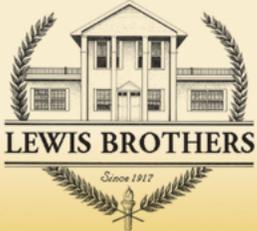
### October 31

Happy Halloween!



## TRANSITIONS

By the close of 2015, Lewis Brothers Funeral Chapel of Palmyra will be merging with James O'Donnell Funeral Home of Hannibal. J. Best and George B. Lewis, brothers returning home from WWI, purchased the Quest Undertaking Company in August of 1917. Ninety-eight years later, the grandsons of the founders, David and Steve Lewis, continue to operate Lewis Brothers but would like to spend a little more time with their families. As there is no next generation interested in taking over the business, the merger will allow service to the community to continue with the utmost attention given to meeting a family's needs at a difficult time.



### UPCOMING MEETING DATES & PROGRAMS YOUR NEXT CHAMBER MEETING IS NOON

#### Tues. October 13th

Luncheon will be held at HATS. Our guest speaker will be Jared Pontius, new High School Principal at Palmyra R-1.

#### Tues. November 10th

Luncheon will be held at the Old Stone House Inn. Our guest speaker will be a representative from the Palmyra City Council.

#### Tues. December 8th

Luncheon will be held at Kerley's Grill



Come out and cheer on  
the undefeated team!

### Palmyra Panthers Schedule:

Friday, October 2nd Home vs Centralia  
Friday, October 9th Home vs. Brookfield  
Friday, October 16th @ Monroe City

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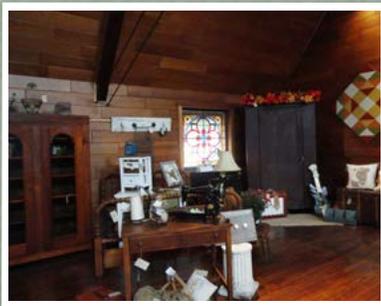
# The Olive Branch

## ANTIQUES & INTERIORS



### GRAND OPENING & RIBBON CUTTING

*Though more than a few customers have already checked out the unique items in the Olive Branch in the former St. Paul's Episcopal Church at the corner of Olive and Lane, the new business will hold its grand opening Saturday, October 3. Join us for a Chamber Ribbon Cutting to be held onsite at 9:30 am.*



*According to owners Josh and Dena Wilson and Jim and Kris Lowe, the store features a variety of items including antiques, furniture, homemade soaps, jams, & jellies; essential oils, scarves, jewelry, candles, and some religious items. The store is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. It will have special hours for the Taste of Palmyra and open that Monday, October 19th, from 5 – 8 p.m.*

*Grand Opening Sat., October 3rd*