CITIZEN'S HANDBOOK **FOR THE** CITY OF ASHLAND











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Ashland, Missouri is located in Southern Boone County. It's population has doubled in the last twelve years going from 1,275 persons in 1990 to over 3,000 persons in 2007 while still maintaining a quaint, small town ambience. This quality, together with Ashland's convenient location, excellent schools, and access to recreation make the City an attractive place to live.



While some of the residents work in Ashland, others commute to Columbia and Jefferson City, both less then 15 minutes away on US 63, a four-lane divided highway. St. Louis and Kansas City, with all they have to offer, are less than two hours away and the Lake of the Ozarks, a major recreational area, is only an hour away.



Southern Boone County School District, which educates children from Ashland and surrounding areas, has earned a reputation of educational excellence, boasting high school graduation rates eight percentage points above the state average and higher than average M.A.P. scores in all subjects and grade levels. In 2006, the school district received the "Distinction in Performance" award for the fourth straight year from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. The District offers numerous student activities, clubs and sports, including band, choir, performing arts, baseball, softball, football, soccer, volleyball, track, cross country and golf.

Ashland has six institutions of higher learning within 20 miles including the University of Missouri-Columbia, Stephens College, Columbia College, Lincoln University, William Woods University, Westminster College, and Moberly Area Community College.

Ashland's population enjoys hiking and spelunking at Rock Bridge State Park. They can enjoy hunting, hiking and horseback riding at Three Creeks State Wildlife Area along with camping at Pine Ridge Campground in the Mark Twain National Forest. The University of Missouri holds large tracts of land that are available for research and certain public uses. They can cycle in summer on the Katy Trail State Park along the scenic Missouri River. There are eight 18-hole golf courses within 20 miles including the Eagle Knoll Golf Club in Hartsburg, rated four stars by Golf Digest that is just 5 miles south of town.

Ashland has a vibrant downtown with cafes, eateries, shops and services in close proximity. In November, 2006, a new Dollar General Store opened at the junction of Highway Y and US 63, showcasing Ashland's great potential for commercial and industrial development to meet the needs of the area's growing population



The Ashland area was settled by Scots-Irish who came from Kentucky about 1820. An Indian trading post was established near the present intersection of Broadway and Main Streets. The Town was laid out in 1852 but was not incorporated until 1877. It was named Ashland after the famous Henry Clay's estate in Lexington, Kentucky. At the time of Ashland's incorporation it was a well-established farming community on a toll road, which ran from Columbia to Claysville, then an important river port.

The Trade Center was started about 1875 by William Bass and J.W. Johnston and it became the largest general store in Missouri. It had the first telephone in Missouri, outside of St. Louis. The line ran to a branch store in Guthrie, 8 miles east on a branch of the Chicago and Alton Railroad.



BROADWAY STREET SCENE SATURDAY, 1912

Bass and Johnson also ran the Ashland stock sales which shipped large herds of mules to the deep south. They established the Farmers Bank in 1881, build a grist mill (The Ashland Milling Co.) in 1877, and started a newspaper, called the "Ashland Bugle" in 1875. James L. Wilcox bought the Bugle in 1877 and published it single-handedly as a weekly paper for 63 years, establishing a national reputation for himself and his newspaper.

Before the turn of the century Ashland had a packing house, a cooperage, a cannery. 2 hotels, 3 grocery stores, several blacksmiths & livery stables, 7 physicians, several lawyers, a drug store, 2 opera houses, and a noted brass band. Ashland was the home of fine saddle horses. It had two race tracks, and several training tracks just outside the city limits. The first school was started in 1859, the Ashland High School Association. The Bass-Johnston Academy was built in 1903, part of the present middle school building.



CITY OF ASHLAND 109 EAST BROADWAY P. O. BOX 135 ASHLAND, MO. 65010 (573) 657-2091

SERVICES

ELECTRIC:

Boone Electric 573-449-4181

AmerenUE

800-552-7583

GAS:

AmerenUE

800-552-7583

PHONE:

Century Tel

800-201-4099

CABLE TV:

Charter Communication

888-871-4485

SOLID WASTE:

City of Ashland

573-657-2091

Allied Waste 800-455-2597

RECYCLING:

City of Ashland

573-657-2091

POST OFFICE:

Ashland Post Office

573-657-2103

WATER:

City of Ashland

573-657-2091

Consolidated Water PWD #1

573-449-0324

SEWER:

City of Ashland

573-657-2091

Ashland Police Department:

The Ashland Police Department office is located at 109 E. Broadway. Office hours are Monday-Friday from 8:00a.m.-5:00p.m. The Ashland Non-

Emergency phone number is (573) 657-9062.

Emergency Number: 911

Police After Hours: (573) 442-6131

County Joint Communications

Police Chief: Nino Consiglio

Police Clerk: Mégan Young

Fire Protection:

The Southern Boone Fire Protection District can

only be reached through the Emergency Number

911, as it consists of all volunteers. Non-

Emergency calls to the Ashland Fire Station may

be placed by dialing (573) 657-2370.

Solid Waste:

Trash is picked up on <u>Tuesday and Friday</u> each week by Allied Waste System. Please place trash

at curb side in a garbage can (must have handles) by <u>6:00 a.m</u>. To report any trash problems please

call Ashland City Hall at (573) 657-2091. Items not picked up are appliances, yard waste, tires, car

parts, batteries, motor oils, explosives, paint and hazardous waste. Special pick-ups for large items

may be made by contacting Allied Waste at

1-800-455-2597.

BUSINESS LICENSES:

Any business inside the city limits is required to have a business license, prior to operating a business. For more information on obtaining a business license, please contact Darla Sapp, City Clerk at Ashland City Hall at 573-657-2091.

CITY PARK:

The City Park is located at the end of North College Street. There are 3 shelter houses and a Gazebo equipped with picnic tables, and 2 of the shelters have bar-b-que grills. The City Park also offers a pond, tennis courts, a sand volley ball court, and a baseball field. There is no charge for use of the shelter houses. However, donations to the park fund are appreciated. Reservations are recommended to insure availability and after you make your reservations please come to City Hall and pick up your reservation slip between 8am & 5 pm Monday through Friday. To reserve a shelter house at the park, contact City Hall at 573-657-2091. The park is open to the public from 6:00 am to 11:00 pm daily. Restrooms are closed during the winter months. ALCOHOL IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE PARK OR ON CITY PROPERTY WITHOUT A PERMIT.





The schools can be reached at the following numbers:

SUPERINTENDENTS OFFICE: 573-657-2147

PRIMARY SCHOOLS K-2: 573-657-2148

825 S. Henry Clay

ELEMENTARY OFFICE 3-5: 573-657-2145

841 S. Henry Clay Blvd.

MIDDLE SCHOOL OFFICE 6-8: 573-657-2146

303 N. Main Street

HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE 9-12: 573-657-2144

14520 Crump Lane





EMERGENCY BROADCAST:

There are two emergency sirens used to alert persons outside of a pending emergency. It serves to warn of a threatening high wind or tornado events. Please seek shelter indoors and tune to KFRU Radio 1400 AM or other local stations when you hear the siren. The siren is tested the first Wednesday of each month at 12:00 noon. We highly recommend the use of NOAA weather radios for more advanced warnings and information. They maybe purchased from local electronics stores.

SOLID WASTE:

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RECYCLE BIN:

2 Recycling bins are located behind City Hall on the corner of Redbud and Bass Street. Bins are provided for collecting newspaper, tin cans, plastic, cardboard and aluminum. *NO GLASS ALLOWED. PUT IN REGULAR TRASH*.

ASHLAND CITY HALL:

Ashland City Hall is located at 109 E. Broadway and is open Monday thru Friday from 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. The phone number is (573) 657-2091. Ashland Police Department is located at 109 E. Broadway at City Hall. The Ashland Police Department number is (573) 657-9062 and the phones are manned 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. Monday through Friday. After hours to reach a police officer in case of emergency, please call 911, or for non-emergencies call joint communications at (573) 442-6131 and they will contact the officer on duty.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN:

The Board of Aldermen is the policy making body to the city government. The City is divided into 3 wards and 2 Board of Aldermen members are elected from each ward for a two year term. You may contact the Aldermen for your ward at the following numbers in this brochure to report any problems or concerns.

CITY GOVERNMENT:

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Mayor:

Michael Jackson

Term Expires: April 2010

(573) 657-1350

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

WARD I

Barbara Henke-Christopher

Term Expires: April 2010

(573) 657-4321 **David Thomas**

Term Expires: April 2011

(573) 657-8529

WARD II

Randy Wyatt

Term Expires: April 2010

(573) 657-1721 **John Hills**

Term Expires: April 2011

(503) 332-9551

WARD III

Randy Eckley

Expires: April 2010

573-657-9165 *Matt Uhrig*

Term Expires: April 2011

573-657-0264

The Board of Aldermen currently meets on the 1ST and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of Ashland City Hall at 109 East Broadway. Members of this board are elected to a two year term. The public is welcomed and encouraged to attend. The agenda is posted at City Hall. If you would like to have something on the agenda it should be presented to the City Clerk, in writing, at least seven (7) days prior to a regularly scheduled meeting. The Board of Aldermen will accept items to be placed on the agenda up to 24 hours prior to the meeting. Visit the City Web Page at www.ashlandmo.us

City of Ashland Employees:

Chris Heard City Administrator: City Clerk: Darla Sapp City Council Clerk: Darla Sapp Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer: Jessi Wenger Planning & Zoning Clerk: Jessi Wenger Utility Billing Clerk: Wade Middaugh Park Board Clerk: Wade Middaugh David Brande' City Attorney: City Prosecuting Attorney: Mick Wilson Maintenance Foreman: Curtis Bennett Public Works Director: **VACANT** Police Chief: Nino Consiglio

Mégan Young

In addition to the City employees, it employs 4 police officers, 1 School Resource Officer and 5 full time Maintenance Department employees. To contact any department or city employees, call Ashland (573) 657-2091

Police Clerk:

CITY OF ASHLAND 2009-2010 ELECTED OFFICIALS





Mayor Michael Jackson (573) 657-1350





David Thomas Ward 1 (573) 657-8529



John Hills Ward 2 (503) 332-9551



*Matt Uhrig*Ward 3
(573) 657-0264



Barbara Henke-Christopher Ward 1 (573) 657-4321



Randy WyattWard 2
(573) 657-1721



Randy EckleyWard 3
(573) 657-9165



PARKS & RECREATION BOARD:

This Board consists of 7 members and oversees the City park system and makes recommendations for park improvements, organizes the Fall Festival, Easter egg hunt and other community events. Volunteers are always welcome to help with all events. The Parks & Recreation Board Clerk is A. Wade Middaugh and he can be reached at City Hall at (573) 657-2091.

FALL FEST COMMITTEE

This committee is a sub committee of the Parks & Recreation Board but is open to all citizens including those who live outside the City limits. This committee helps organize and run our largest community event, which includes a parade, music, games, crafts and more. Please contact City Hall at 573-657-2091 if you are interested.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

The Board, which consists of one Board of Aldermen member, and 6 or more citizens at large. The board reviews and recommends action to the Board of Aldermen on re-zoning requests as well as future planning. The Planning and Zoning clerk is Jessica Wenger she can be reached at 573-657-2091.

The Planning and Zoning Board meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month if there is a need to call a meeting. The agenda is also posted at City Hall. If you would like to have something on the agenda, , it must be presented to the Planning and Zoning Clerk by the meeting deadline date. For a complete list of deadline dates please visit www.ashlandmo.us or call City Hall at (573) 657-2091.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Board of Adjustment reviews requests for variances to the zoning regulations. Requests typically include variances to the building setback regulations or sign regulations. It is a five member board and 3 alternates. Meetings are not held unless there is an item on the agenda.

LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This five member Board serves as a way to communicate concerns from our citizens to the administration over issues related to our police department. They are also called to give input on policy and staffing changes. This Board does not meet on a regular basis but only when meetings are requested by a Board member or by the Administration.

ANIMALS:

The City of Ashland requires that all, dogs and cats over 6 months of age be licensed by the City. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required. The annual fee is \$5.00 per animal or \$2.50 if the animal has been spayed or neutered. You have 30 days after moving into the City Limits to get your dogs and cats registered at City Hall. The City requires that all dogs be on a leash if off the owner's property. The maximum number of animals allowed to be kept by a residence of the city is 4 cats or dogs over 6 months of age. For any animal complaints call Boone County Animal Control at (573) 449-1888.

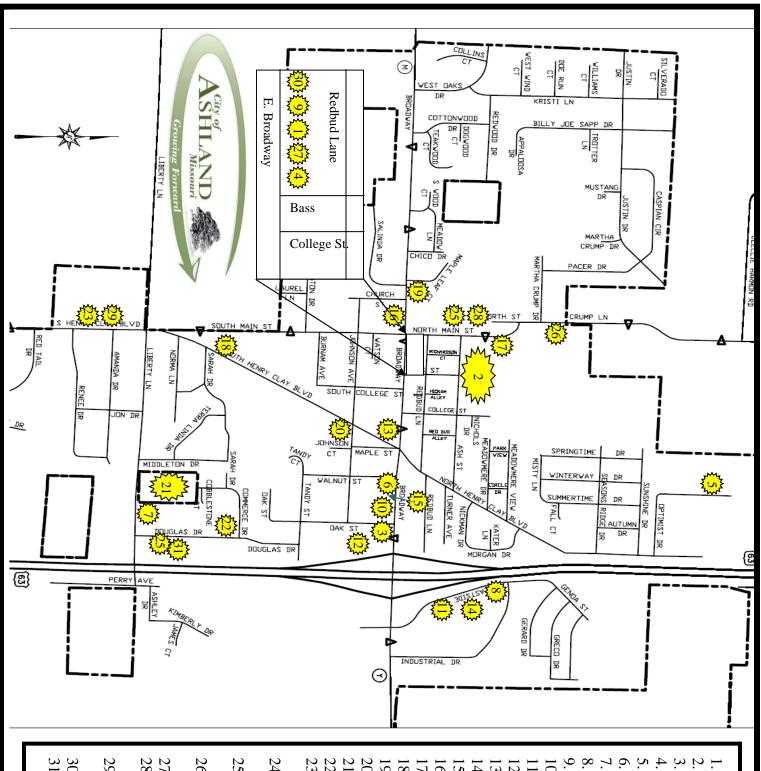
City ordinance prohibits the keeping of any Pit Bull or mixed pit bull breed.

GRASS AND WEEDS:

The City requires that grass or weeds not to be greater than 12 inches in height. All lots must be kept clear of trash or debris that may be deemed a nuisance.

YARD WASTE:

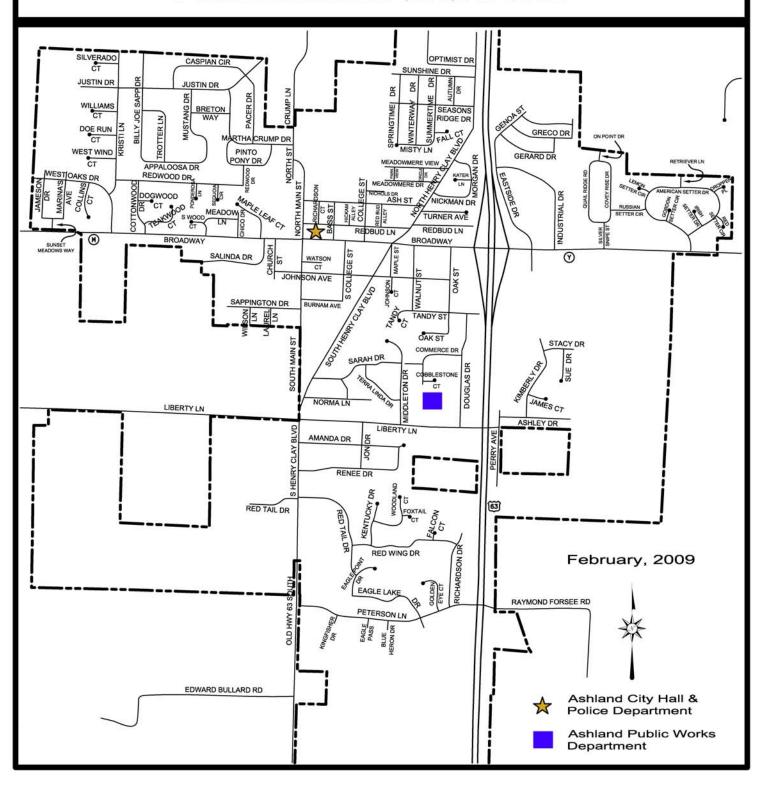
Allied Waste will not pick up any yard waste that has been disposed of in the trash. The City offers a free yard waste dumpster to all city residents and is located at the corner of Redbud and Bass Street.

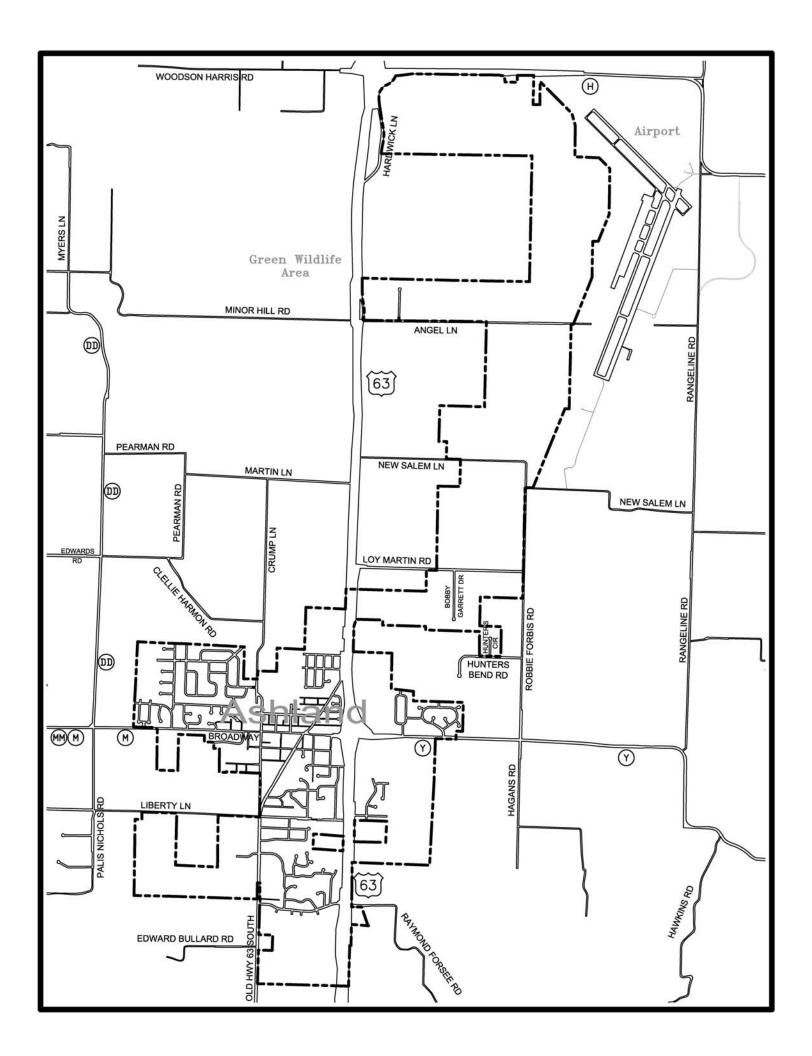


- Ashland City Hall/Police
- Ashland City Park
- Ashland Fastlane
- **Ashland Optimist Club** Ashland Post Office
- Copper Kettle Rest. Casey's General Store
- Dollar General
- Downtown Café
- Bee Line Shack Shop
- 12. McDonald's
- 13. MFA Breaktime
- 14. Moser's Grocery Store
- 16. New China Restaurant Namaste Family Care
- Optimist Community Pool
- Peak Performance
- 19. Pizza Haus
- 20. Pizza Hut
- Public Works Department
- 22. Senior Citizens Center
- 23. Southern Boone Elementary School 3-4
- 25. Southern Boone Family 24. Southern Boone Elementary 5-6
- 26. Southern Boone High School 9-12
- 28. Southern Boone Middle School 7-8 27. Southern Boone Library
- 29. Southern Boone Primary School K-2
- 31. Woody's Pub & Grub 30. The Turtle Club

CITY OF ASHLAND, MISSOURI STREET MAP 2010

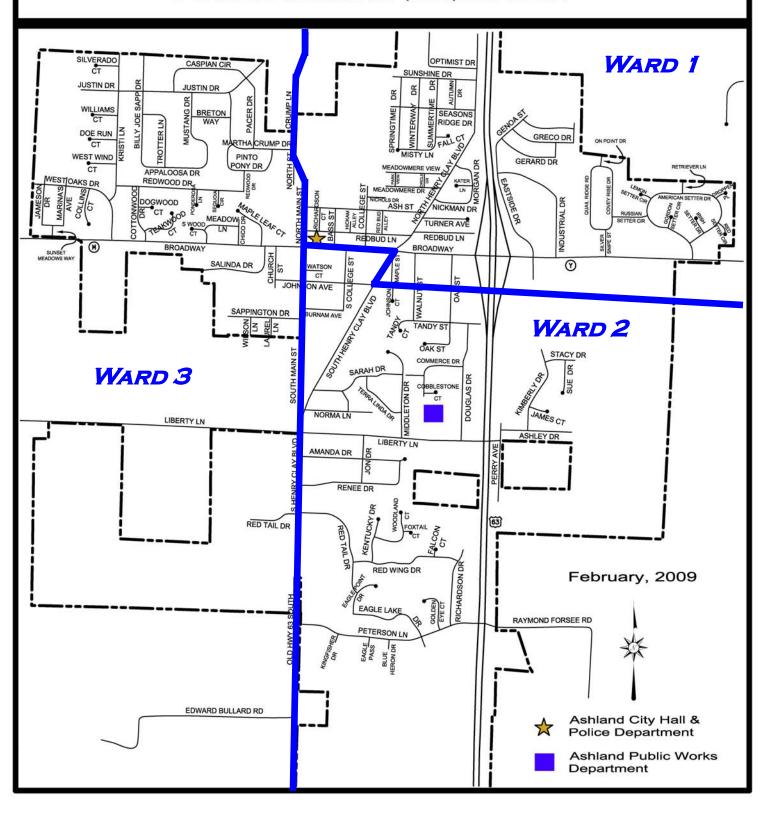
ASHLAND CITY HALL (573)657-2091 POLICE DEPARTMENT (573)657-9062





CITY OF ASHLAND, MISSOURI 2010 WARD DISTRICT MAP

ASHLAND CITY HALL (573)657-2091 POLICE DEPARTMENT (573)657-9062



Southern Boone Chamber of Commerce 2008 Application for Membership July 1, 2009 ~ June 30, 2010

OUTHERN BOONE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ASHLAND & HARTSBURG

 Associate Member (individual) ~ \$25 per year Chamber Supporter (group or organization) ~ \$35 per year Small Business Member (defined as 10 employees or less) ~ \$50 per year Business Member (defined as more than 10 employees) ~ \$100 per year
Company/Organization: Year Established: Number of Employees: Number of Years as a Chamber Member:
Contact Person's Name/Title:
E-mail Address:
Additional Contact:
E-mail Address:
Physical Address:
failing Address:
City/State/Zip:
Phone Number: Fax Number:
Vebsite Address:

Please take a moment to answer the questions below regarding your membership:

- With your paid membership, you will receive a listing and a link on the Chambers web-site; Certificate of Membership; access to other Chamber Members and priority notification of upcoming events.
- ∂ In order to save on postage, we will send e-mail notifications for events, ribbon cuttings and announcements. Can we include you on our e-mail list? [] yes [] no
- We will hold monthly meetings, tentatively scheduled for the third Thursday of each month. Quarterly events will be held with an opportunity for your business to sponsor said event. Would you be interested in showcasing your business at one of the Quarterly Events? [] yes [] no
- As a volunteer organization, we look to our members for their expertise with various projects. Which of the categories below can we call on you for help or guidance?
 - [] Membership [] Education [] Leadership [] Community Development [] Community Involvement

Thank you for supporting the Southern Boone Business Community!

Making the Most of Your Chamber Membership

Are you taking advantage of the many benefits/services of your Chamber membership? Let us help you!

- <u>Meetings:</u> The Chamber meets once a month, tentatively set for the third Thursday and are currently held in the community room at BCNB South County Bank at 8:00 a.m. Contact the Chamber for the next meeting date and time.
- Membership List: Upon request, a list of Chamber members is provided whereby you can be in direct contact with the top 100+ businesses. Upon request, self-adhesive membership labels can be provided and printed with every member's name and address for a fee of \$10.00 for the packet. This is an excellent resource for your direct mailings.
- *Ribbon Cutting:* Upon request, our Chamber Ambassadors conduct ground breaking/ribbon cutting ceremonies for new, expanding or moving businesses. Your business receives FREE publicity in local newspapers.
- Socials: Three to four socials a year are held on the quarterly in various locations in the Chamber area. Since networking is a vital part of your business plan, you are encouraged to exchange business cards and ideas at the socials. This is an ideal way to get to know members and share with them information about you and your business.
- **Website:** Free listing on www.southernboonechamber.com with visitor and resident traffic. Plus, link your page or have a chamber page created for a nominal fee.
- <u>Referrals</u>: The prime responsibility of your Chamber is providing direct reference service for member businesses. ONLY Chamber members are referred by our organization.
- *Relocation packets:* The Chamber can send packets to people requesting relocation and demographic information.
- <u>Exciting Events:</u> There are several events held throughout the year that your business can take part in. These events provide a great opportunity to showcase your business as well as offering a great networking opportunity!

www.southernboonechamber.com

We're Soaring to New Heights...Join PTA Today!

Thank you for your support of the Southern Boone County schools and community through your participation in PTA! Please fill out the form below and return it, along with your \$5 per person membership dues, to your local PTA (Checks payable to Southern Boone PTA). Please print legibly.

Name Address				
Street	City	State	Zip Code	
Phone Number E-mail				
Child(ren)'s Homeroom Teacher(s)		_ (so we can retu	urn your membership card to you)	
Occupation				
I am interested in helping with (please circ	le):			
Passport Fundraiser Box Tops/Mosers Fu	ındraiser eScript	Fundraiser	Teacher Appreciation	
Scholarships Teacher Wish List Program	Other			
E-newsletters: (eing a valued PTA memb Our Children, The PTA P National PTA benefits an rces and training; Partici	Parent, This Week in disponsorship info	in Washington ormation	
			school office, or to a PTA office	

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Scholarships Teacher	Wish List Program Ot	her		

As a thank you for being a valued PTA member, you are entitled to their free items: E-newsletters: Our Children, The PTA Parent, This Week in Washington Exclusive National PTA benefits and sponsorship information Parent involvement resources and training; Participation in the Member-to-Member Network

(You may submit your form and payment to your home room teacher, school office, or to a PTA officer)