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The Lake of the Ozarks  
Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce**

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# The Business Connection

## CHAMBER LEADS GROUPS



Are you looking for ways to expand your business? Then consider joining a Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce Leads Group. A Leads Group will consist of up to 16 Chamber members in non-competing businesses that get together on a regular basis [weekly or bi-monthly] to exchange leads with other members of the group. To participate, you must be a member of the Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce and pay an annual fee of \$50. A business may only belong to one leads group. Bylaws have been developed but each group will be independent, select its own officers, and determine the when and where to meet.

To sign up for a group, please call the Chamber at 573-346-2227 or send an e-mail to [info@CamdentonChamber.com](mailto:info@CamdentonChamber.com). Please note that the Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce will not belong to any Leads Group and will continue to refer any inquiries for service to ALL of our members that provide that service or product.

**Relocation Magazine has arrived:** The Camdenton Area and West Lake Chambers of Commerce produce a relocation magazine for people and businesses considering moving to the Lake of the Ozarks. The magazine includes information about the state, county and city governments, education, transportation, demographics and more. If you need a supply of these guides, please stop by the Chamber office, or call us and we can deliver some to you.

## PRODUCT SHOW A SUCCESS

The 32nd annual Products & Services Show was held March 19 and 20 at Country Club Hotel in Lake Ozark. Over 160 exhibitors filled 188 booths for the two-day show. We estimate that we had 5,100 people in attendance [3,700 people through the show on Saturday, 1,400 on Sunday plus 600 people staffing the booths. Mark your calendar for the 33rd annual Products and Services Show on March 10 and 11, 2012 at the Country Club Hotel.

## BE SURE TO VOTE ON APRIL 5

## STILL TIME TO ENTER DOGWOOD FESTIVAL EVENTS

The 61<sup>st</sup> annual Dogwood Festival will take place in various locations in and around Camdenton, April 14-17, 2011. Entry deadlines are rapidly approaching for several festival events:

- The **Shoobox Float Contest**, for children K-6 grade, will accept applications until April 6 (the deadline for submitting a float is April 13). Shooboxes are available at the Camdenton Chamber office. Floats will be displayed at the Camden County Museum and other festival locations.
- The **Dogwood Festival Parade**, which takes place downtown on Saturday, April 16, will accept registration from parade entries until April 6.
- The **DECA Arts & Crafts Show**, which takes place at the Middle School on April 15-16, is accepting applications until April 9.
- **Outdoor Booth Space** featuring crafts and businesses takes place April 15 and 16 adjacent to the Carnival in the Middle School Parking lot in Camdenton. Applications will be accepted while space is still available.
- The **5K Run/Walk**, to benefit the Child Advocacy Council, will accept participants until the morning of the run, April 16, at Linn Creek Industrial Park. (The entry fee is reduced if registration is completed before April 9.)
- The Band Boosters **Annual Dogwood Golf Classic** at Old Kinderhook will accept entry forms until April 13.

For entry forms and more information about Dogwood Festival events, visit [www.CamdentonChamber.com/DogwoodFestival](http://www.CamdentonChamber.com/DogwoodFestival) or contact the Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce at (800) 769-1004 or (573) 346-2227.

## BREAKFAST APRIL 28

The next Chamber breakfast will be on Thursday, April 28 in the Trophy Room at Old Kinderhook. The focus will be law enforcement. See page 3 for more details and registration form. A special thanks to First National Bank for sponsoring this quarter's breakfast.

## DOGWOOD FESTIVAL—THE OLDEST FESTIVAL AT THE LAKE OF THE OZARKS



Be sure to come to Camdenton for the 61<sup>st</sup> annual Dogwood Festival. Started in 1950, the festival has become a Lake tradition. For a schedule of events, be sure to go to Page 4 of this newsletter.

The theme for this year's Dogwood Festival is "Lovin' the Lake". A new event that has been added is Bridal Cave's Locals Appreciation Days. Residents of Camden, Miller and Morgan Counties will get a 50% discount on everything at Bridal Cave, including cave tours, during the festival—just bring your ID that show you reside in the Lake area.

Also, the Little Mr. /Miss, Junior Miss and Teen Miss contests have been moved from the Middle School Little Theater to the RC Worthan Auditorium at the Camdenton High School. This move will be greatly appreciated by all who attend this fun event.

For the first time, the Miss Dogwood Pageant will be held on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at the RC Worthan Auditorium. This will allow the newly crowned Miss Dogwood to attend various festival activities throughout the following week.

For complete information and a locator map, be sure to visit the Chamber's web site. Go to [www.CamdentonChamber.com](http://www.CamdentonChamber.com) and click on the Dogwood Festival tab.





## OUR PLACE IN THE WORLD ECONOMY

Dr. Martin Regalia  
Senior Vice  
President and Chief  
Economist  
Economic Policy,

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

With events on the global stage dominating the news recently, it's a good time to see where the United States stands in the world economy. The relative status of the United States has changed a bit over the past 30 years, and while we are not the dominant player we once were, we are still pretty important.

We remain the world's largest single economy. In 2010, U.S. GDP was just over \$14.6 trillion, or about 23.6% of the estimated world GDP of nearly \$62 trillion. In the early 1980s, the U.S. share of the global economy hovered in the 30%–35% range and was still in the 25%–30% range in the mid-1990s. As emerging economies have developed and growth in the United States has slowed, other areas in the world now rival us for economic influence.

### World Economic Growth

When taken together, the countries of the European Union (EU) have a GDP equivalent to \$16.1 trillion and represent about 26% of world GDP. The individual countries, however, represent a much smaller piece of the world economic pie. Germany and France, the two biggest members of the EU, represent 5.3% and 4.1% of the world economy, respectively. The United Kingdom represents about 3.6% of world GDP. All these mature economies have seen their relative shares erode over the past few decades.

This erosion is the result of relatively slower growth in the developed world and the rise of emerging economies elsewhere—such as the fast-growing Asian nations of Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea, and Taiwan and the so-called BRICS of Brazil, Russia, India, China, and increasingly South Africa. China's growth has, perhaps, been the most astounding. Its share of world GDP has soared from 1.9% in 1980 to 9.3% in 2010, surpassing Japan as the second-largest economy in the world.

It would be easy to see these statistics and wonder about the relative decline of the advanced economies. It is important, though, to recognize that the United States and the other advanced economies are still growing, but that the poorer and less developed countries are growing at a faster rate. We would expect to see such growth for a couple of reasons. First, emerging market economies typically experience faster population growth as a result of their demographics and higher birth rates.

Second, emerging economies have benefited from what economists call capital deepening. This term describes a situation when capital per worker is increasing, driving GDP and

productivity increases. Consequently, countries like China and India can grow at a faster pace because the return from moving from an agrarian to a manufacturing economy is so high.

### Our Trading Patterns

The rise of China and the other emerging market economies is beginning to be felt in our trading patterns. Historically, we have traded most closely with the countries on our borders and with Europe. In terms of total goods trade, the sum of imports and exports, our largest trading partners are, in order, the EU, Canada, China, and Mexico. As recently as three years ago, China was not yet one of our top three trading partners. It is now third, followed by Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, and Brazil.

We witness a similar pattern when we look at imports and exports separately. On the export side, our largest markets are Canada (\$228 billion), Mexico (\$149 billion), and China (\$82 billion). On the import side, China leads (\$334 billion), with Canada (\$252 billion) and Mexico (\$210 billion) following.

While our exports have increased recently, we should point out that we are still running trade deficits with most of our trading partners. For example, in 2010, the United States had net export positions of -\$252 billion with China, -\$73 billion with the EU, -\$61 billion with Mexico, -\$53 with Japan, and -\$23 billion with Canada.

With the exception of oil, these trade flows represent a bidirectional flow in most industry groups. For the first 11 months of 2010, our primary exports to the rest of the world were transportation equipment (\$173 billion), computer and electronic products (\$172 billion), chemicals (\$163 billion), and machinery (\$125 billion.) On the import side, the leading industry groups were computer and electronic products (\$301 billion), oil and gas (\$260 billion), transportation equipment (\$223 billion), and chemicals (\$164 billion).

### Global Investment

In addition to trade in goods and services, capital also moves between countries. The international financial account is a record of transactions between U.S. and foreign residents resulting in changes in the level of international claims or liabilities, such as deposits, ownership of securities, and direct investment. It is a measure of the investment position of a country and indicates indebtedness. In 2009, the latest available data, U.S.-owned assets abroad were \$18.4 trillion, and foreign-owned assets in the United States were \$21.1 trillion.

A major subset of the international financial account is foreign direct investment (FDI), investment in which a resident of one country obtains a lasting interest in the management of a business enterprise in another country. In the United States, the criterion used to distinguish FDI from other types of investment is ownership of at least 10% of the voting securities of an incorporated business enterprise or an equivalent ownership interest of an unincorporated business enterprise. FDI in the United States

during this period totaled over \$2.3 trillion. The stock of U.S. direct investment abroad totaled \$3.5 trillion. The U.S. net FDI position was -\$1.2 billion.

Although U.S.-owned assets abroad are less than foreign-owned assets in the United States, a greater share of our total investment abroad is in the form of ownership of productive assets. In contrast, a greater share of foreign ownership of U.S. assets takes the form of safe investments such as U.S. Treasury securities. As a result, we receive a greater rate of return on our investment than foreigners do. In 2009, income receipts on U.S.-owned assets abroad totaled \$585 billion, whereas income receipts on foreign-owned assets in the United States were only \$456 billion despite much higher total investment.

Let's look at which of our major trading partners invest more in the United States than we do in their countries (positive net U.S. FDI) and vice versa (negative net U.S. FDI). In 2009, U.S. FDI in the EU was \$1.7 trillion, while the EU's FDI in the United States was just under \$1.5 trillion. As a result, net U.S. FDI was -\$259 billion. Canada, Mexico, and China followed a similar pattern. Net U.S. FDI with Canada was -\$34 billion, -\$86 billion with Mexico, and -\$48 billion with China. Japan has consistently invested more in the United States than we have invested in Japan. In 2009, the net was \$160 billion.

The impact of multinational corporations also impacts employment around the world. In 2008, the latest data available, U.S. majority-owned foreign affiliates employed 10.1 million people. By contrast, U.S. affiliates of foreign-owned companies employed only 5.6 million. American companies continue to perform well around the world, which reflects our high productivity levels.

So there you have it. The United States is still a force in the world economy, but whether it remains this way will depend on our ability to compete with the emerging economies. We must institute policies in this country that provide a competitive tax and regulatory environment, ensure our energy needs, and give our workforce the knowledge and skills necessary to meet coming challenges.

*Brian Higginbotham, an economist at the U.S. Chamber, contributed extensively to this article. Originally published March 2011. Reprinted by permission, uschamber.com, March 2011.*



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SPOTLIGHT ON BUSINESS



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23 years, and counting, that's how long Romy Riddle has been with **H&R Block**. She was a preparer for 10 years and bought her first franchise 13 yrs. ago. "I started in business, in Camden County, 37 yrs. ago (1974). Like most people, the tax side of being in business was daunting. Get a letter? Panic mode kicked in. I had questions, frustrations, and fears. I took the tax course to give myself a better foundation, as a business owner, to know what to do, how to do it, when to do it. I made mistakes and? I do not like redoing my own work. I decided to educate myself.

When someone applies for a loan, they have to have a tax return. When they apply for school loans, grants, or scholarships, they have to have to have a tax return. Certain careers that are licensed require the employees to be current on their taxes. When a person has heart problems they seek out a cardiologist. When a person has cancer they get an oncologist. So? When people have tax problems they often seek us out.

I have 2 offices, 1 in Camdenton on Bus Rte 5 N., across from Save A Lot, and 1 in Osage Beach next to the Comfort Inn on Hwy 54 across from the airport. These offices are open year round for taxes don't go away after tax season is over. Business taxes can be monthly, quarterly, or annual. And tax letters can show up at any time. Congress has mandated to IRS to stop the tax scams, and tax fraud, and to collect the money on the books. The economy may be 'recovering' in Washington, but it is having a hard, hard struggle in the Ozarks. I feel my job is to help my neighbors and fellow business owners at a time when they have enough to cope with and don't need the nerve wracking fears of not knowing if their return is theoretically sound, mathematically correct, and did they claim all that they had the right to? I have been checking peoples' returns for 23 years, but it nice to have Block advertise it. The Second Look is a program in which we check returns in the offices for accuracy.

When the Taxpayer signs that tax return they should understand what they are signing. It is my job to explain it and clarify it. Block's educational program is outstanding and I appreciate their presence behind me. Every tax preparer in my office had to have a minimum of 24 hrs. of Continuous education (most of them get 33-63 hrs.). There are not many companies left that you can claim total access to. I can call, email, or text anybody in the whole company and they not only reply, but generally respond quickly. I am not a number. The company is still guided by the principles that Henry & Richard Bloch put in place over 55 yrs. ago. I like that!

Good Morning  
Lake of the Ozarks!

**Quarterly Breakfast Meeting**

Thursday, April 28 • 7 AM – 8:15 AM  
Old Kinderhook • Lake Road 54-80

**Focus on Law Enforcement**

Join us for breakfast on Thursday, April 28th—enjoy a delicious full breakfast buffet—socialize with your fellow Chamber members—and find out about issues affecting law enforcement at the Lake of the Ozarks. Our panel will include:

- Major Tommy Roam and Captain Matt Walz--Highway Patrol [Water Patrol Division]
- Sheriff Dwight Franklin--Camden County Sheriff
- Chief Laura Wright--Camdenton Police Department

Reservations are required and can be made by sending in the form below, by calling the Chamber at 573-346-2227, or by e-mail at [sgentry65020@yahoo.com](mailto:sgentry65020@yahoo.com). Please note that no-shows will be billed for breakfast.

*This breakfast is sponsored by*

**First National Bank**

**Advance Reservations Required--\$10 per Person**

"Good Morning Lake of the Ozarks" Breakfast  
April 28, 2011 • Banquet Room at Old Kinderhook  
Lake Road 54-80 to 54 Club Place

Enclosed is my check for \_\_\_ tickets at \$10 each.

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

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Business: \_\_\_\_\_

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Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting for Donald Farm and Lawn, located at 1001 Deer Lane, Lebanon, 417-532-2011. Donald Farm is a John Deere dealer serving the lake and surrounding area. Full service, parts, sales and merchandise. Serving Lebanon, Jefferson City, St. James and Owensville. Rolla location opening fall 2011. Pictured left to right: Bruce Mitchell, Chamber Executive Director; John and Marlene Donald [with scissors] Owners; Charlie Bulen, Joe Rich, Nathan Applequist, Staff; and Mike Peters Chamber Representative.



Budget Blinds has products to make eco-conscious shoppers smile. If new window treatments are on your springtime spruce up list and you want to make a more environmentally friendly purchase, Budget Blinds has a number of products that can make eco-conscious shoppers smile.

Consumers are seeking out eco-friendlier products for their homes. The results of Information Resources Inc's 2007 Sustainability study revealed that "the consumer market for sustainable products and packaging is viable and growing." The survey also revealed that "one-in-five U.S. consumers are 'sustainability-driven' in brand and store selection."

One product line eco-conscious homeowners should consider is the company's private label, Signature Series by Budget Blinds®. The entire product line is certified by Green Built Home, a Wisconsin-based organization that reviews and certifies products and building products that meet sustainable building and energy standards.

In addition to the Green Built Home certification, Budget Blinds' Signature Series® products are manufactured in facilities that have adopted many eco-friendly practices, such as: using sawdust to fire kilns and heat the factory, recirculating water in cooling systems that saves over 90 million gallons annually and recycling 75 percent of the total waste in one of its plants.

In addition to its Signature Series products, Budget Blinds offers a variety of products from its other Alliance vendors for people who want to make more environmentally-conscious purchases.

#### Low Indoor Emissions

Many people are making choices that not only beautify their homes but are healthier choices, too. Budget Blinds has a number of products that have been certified by the GREENGUARD Institute, an industry-independent organization that established stringent standards regarding acceptable indoor air quality standards for indoor products, environments and buildings.

Consumers interested in these products should inquire about the following products: Shutters and wood blinds, Genesis II roller shades and panel tracks made from Sheerweave 2000, 2390 or 2500 or Mermat 3G material.

#### Renewable or Recycled Resources

Some consumers choose products that are made with renewable or recycled resources. Many window treatments are made from reclaimed or sustainable materials.

Woven Wood Shades are made from renewable crops, such as: grasses, reeds, bamboo and jute. Certain wood shutters and wood blinds are made with wood obtained from a certified sustainable hardwood forest.

# 61st Annual DOGWOOD FESTIVAL

Camdenton • April 14-17, 2011



## "Lovin' the Lake"

Saturday, April 9

Miss Dogwood Pageant, 7 PM-Camdenton High School\*

Thursday, April 14

Local Appreciation Day at Bridal Cave for Camden, Miller and Morgan Counties—everything half off

Fine Art Display [begins 4/11] 9AM-4 PM – First National Bank\*

Senior [65+] King & Queen Contest, Noon – Quails Nest Motel\*

Dinner Theater-5:30 PM; Melodrama-7 PM – Camden County Museum

Lake Area Woodworker's Display, 5:30 PM – Camden County Museum\*

Education Foundation Elegant Evening, 6-8:30 PM— High School

Carnival, 5-10 PM – Middle School Parking Lot, S. Business Rt 5

[*\$20 Wrist Band from 5 – 9 PM*]

Friday Evening, April 15

Garage Sale, 8 AM-4 PM – St. Anthony Church, 1874 N. Business Rt 5\*

Local Appreciation Day at Bridal Cave for Camden, Miller and Morgan Counties—everything half off

Garage Sale, 10 AM-6 PM – Our Savior Lutheran Church, 422 E US Hwy 54\*

Fine Art Display, 9 AM-4 PM – First National Bank\*

Lions Club Fish Fry, 4 PM-7 PM – Middle School Cafeteria

Dinner Theater-5:30 PM; Melodrama-7 PM – Camden County Museum

Lake Area Woodworker's Display, 5:30 PM – Camden County Museum\*

DECA Craft Show, 5:30-8 PM – Middle School Gym\*

Little Miss & Mr Contests, 7 PM – Camdenton High School \*

Miss Junior & Miss Teen Contests, 7 PM – Camdenton High School \*

High School Fine Art Gallery 5-7 PM – High School Commons\*

Food & Craft Booths 5:30 PM-9 PM- Middle School, S. Business Rt 5\*

Live Entertainment 6-9 PM – Middle School Parking Lot, S. Business Rt 5\*

Carnival, 5-10 PM – Middle School Parking Lot, S. Business Rt 5

[*\$20 Wrist Band from 5 – 9 PM*]

Saturday, April 16

Pancake Breakfast, 6:30-9:30 AM – United Methodist Church, 340 W. US Hwy 54

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual 5K Run/Walk, 7 AM – Linn Creek Industrial Park

Garage Sale, 8 AM-1 PM – Our Savior Lutheran Church, 422 E US Hwy 54\*

Local Appreciation Day at Bridal Cave for Camden, Miller and Morgan Counties—everything half off

Fine Art Display, 9 AM – 4 PM – First National Bank\*

Garage Sale, 8 AM-3 PM – St. Anthony Church, 1874 N. Business Rt 5\*

DECA Craft Show, 9 AM-4 PM – Middle School Gym\*

Quilt Show 9 AM-2 PM-Community Christian Church, 1064 N. Business Rt 5

Rotary Hog Roast, 11 AM – 3 PM – Beckett Motors, 229 E. US Hwy 54

Food and Crafts, 10 AM-6 PM – Middle School Parking Lot\*

**Dogwood Festival Parade, 10 AM – Downtown Camdenton\***

Young Eagles Flights 12:30- 3:30PM-Camdenton Airport, Old South Highway 5\*

Dog Contest 12-1:30[cutest, ugliest, etc.], Middle School Parking Lot\*

Live Entertainment, 1:30 PM - 7 PM – Middle School Parking Lot\*

Dinner Theater 5:30 PM – Melodrama 7 PM – Camden County Museum

Lake Area Woodworker's Display 5:30 PM – Camden County Museum\*

Band Booster Silent Auction, 7 PM – Mexicali Blues Restaurant\*

Carnival, 5-10 PM – Middle School Parking Lot, S. Business Rt 5

[*\$20 Wrist Band from 5 – 9 PM*]

Sunday, April 17

Local Appreciation Day at Bridal Cave for Camden, Miller and Morgan Counties—everything half off

Annual Dogwood Golf Classic, Noon— Old Kinderhook

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*\*Free Admission. Schedule is subject to change. For further information, call the*

*Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce at 573-346-2227 or go to [www.CamdentonChamber.com/DogwoodFestival](http://www.CamdentonChamber.com/DogwoodFestival)*

## SPOTLIGHT ON BUSINESS



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### LAKE REGIONAL ANNOUNCES 4TH ANNUAL FUN RUN/WALK

Register now for Lake Regional Health System's 4th Annual Fun Run/Walk scheduled 7:30 a.m. Saturday, May 7, at The Oaks Golf Course at Tan-Tar-A Resort in Osage Beach.

Check-in will begin at 7 a.m. for the 5K run. Registration for the fun walk will begin at 7:30 a.m. Walkers may start immediately after registering.

Proceeds from the event will benefit Lake Regional's Cardiopulmonary Rehab department. Early bird registration for runners is \$15 through Friday, April 22. After that date, the registration fee will be \$25. The 5K fee includes a t-shirt. All registered walkers who raise or donate \$15 also will receive a t-shirt.

Registration forms are available online at [lakeregional.com/events](http://lakeregional.com/events) or by contacting Terri Hall at 573-348-8153.

Lake Regional's Cardiopulmonary Program is certified by the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation. Cardiac rehab services are available at Lake Regional Hospital in Osage Beach, as well as at Lake Regional's Cardiac Rehab clinics in Eldon, Lake Ozark and Laurie. To learn more about the comprehensive cardiovascular care available at Lake Regional, visit [www.lakeregional.com/cardiac](http://www.lakeregional.com/cardiac).



The Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting for Hope for Life Counseling, LLC, a professional, non-denominational, Christian-based counseling service integrating biblically-based, Christian beliefs with psychological principles to consider the whole person, emotionally, physically and spiritually. Christine Cooper, MAC, LPC, NCC, provides help to children, adolescents and adults with emotional, behavior and spiritual problems. Office hours are from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, five days a week, with weekends and after hours as needed. In-home counseling is available. The office is located at 985 E. Hwy 54. Phone: 573-317-9000. The Center for Life and Cultural Studies hosted by Dr. Wayne Cooper and Hope for Life Counseling, located at 985 E. Hwy 54, is a study center designed for those interested in learning how to cope with life's challenges and keeping abreast of the cultural changes facing our world today. A variety of formats will be utilized, from book reviews to lectures to interactive discussion groups, to video presentations. Examples of topics include: differing world views, marriage and family, parenting, finances, nutrition and healthy lifestyles, grief, depression, anxiety, and anger, among others. For dates and times check your local newspaper, church bulletin boards, radio stations [under Community Events] or call the Center at 573-317-9000.

*Pictured Dr. Wayne and Christine Cooper [with scissors] Founders and Directors; John and Jeannette Cokendolpher, Dave and Carolyn Meyers, Andy & Fonda Kline; Bruce Mitchell Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director; Brenda Colter, City of Camdenton Administrator; Mayor Dennis North; Charli Allee, Doug Horman and Amy Hadfield, First National Bank Representatives; Johna Stanfield and Chris McElyea, Central Bank of Lake of the Ozarks Representatives; Bob Kellstrom, US Bank; Diann Jacobs, Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce Board Members.*



The Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting for Vital Graphics, LLC, located at 1163 Thunder Mountain Road in Camdenton, 573-286-4565. Vital Graphics, LLC is the premier manufacturer of sandblasted granite or wood signs. They design and make memorials, yard address signs, subdivisions signs and unique business signs. *Pictured left to right: Michael Carter, Chamber Representative; Matt and Sue Gutierrez [with scissors], Owners; and Rowland Todd, Chamber Representative.*

**SPOTLIGHT ON BUSINESS**



The Arc of the Lake is a non-profit agency working with individuals with developmental disabilities in Camden, Miller and Morgan counties to improve or gain employment and training skills. We have recently opened a thrift shop in Osage Beach that will employ and train these individuals in a retail environment and potentially help place them into employment within the community. They will receive on the job training as well as classroom training for filling out applications, writing resumes, interviewing skills as well as career exploration. The store offers low cost resale items to the community while allowing individuals with disabilities an opportunity to work in the retail field at real wages. We believe that with our support they can direct their own lives as valued members of the community and we want the community to be aware of the needs of people with disabilities and informed that these individuals can be fully functioning, productive members of society as long as they are given the opportunity. We also would like them to have the opportunity to develop relationships within the community.

We strive for community involvement within our organization through The Arc of the Lake in order to obtain greater success in mainstreaming these individuals into permanent employment outside our resale shoppe. We are in need of patrons, volunteers, business owners and donations in order to have the funds to continue our program and provide possible placements for employment once these individuals are ready for permanent jobs.

We, as a community, have an awesome opportunity to get involved in a program that will allow adults and children with disabilities to be successful. Do we think that retail is the only occupation that will allow these individuals to be part of the community? Certainly not, but it is a start and we hope that we can build our program to provide more opportunities for these individuals in the future.

If you are interested in participating in any capacity we welcome your support. The store, Thrifty Threads and Things, is located at 1135 Bluff Drive in Osage Beach. We can be reached by phone at 573-302-1700 or email@arcofthelake.org.

**RENEWALS**

We thank the following members for renewing their investment in the Chamber:

- Absolute Posture
- Air & Water Solutions
- Amercian Family Insurance
- B & B Heating & Cooling
- Camden County Senate Bill 40 Agency
- Castleview Bed & Breakfast
- ChiroSpa-Winther Family Chiropractic
- Citizens Against Domestic Violence

- Creative Stone
- D & D Electric
- Edward Jones Investments
- Enviro-Line Co., Inc.
- Gilley, Elaine
- Hy-Vee, Inc.
- K & R Manufacturing Co.
- KRCG-TV
- Manpower Staffing Services
- Marine Max/Port Arrowhead
- Mid County Fire Protection District
- Mid Missouri Credit Union
- Miner Mike's Adventure Town
- Niangua River Oasis
- Old Kinderhook
- Oreck Factory Showroom
- Page & Brown Convention Services
- Penmac Personnel Services
- Red Oak Resort & RV Park
- Scrivener Oil Company
- Surdyke Yamaha
- Tan-Tar-A Resort, Golf Club & Spa

**NEW MEMBERS**

Please welcome the following new member to the Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce:

**Advanced Radiology**  
 Aaron Schrimpf  
 1037 Palisades Blvd., Ste 7 & 8  
 Osage Beach, MO 65065  
 573-864-5554; Fax: 573-746-7011  
*Medical Imaging Center*

**GeoSenter**  
 Thomas Senter  
 11532 Lookout Trail; PO Box 161  
 Centertown, MO 65023  
 800-792-0495; Fax: 888-315-6334  
*Geothermal Heating & Cooling*

**Hope For Life Counseling & Center for Life & Cultural Studies**  
 Christine Cooper  
 985 E Hwy 54, PO Box 3470  
 Camdenton, MO 65020  
 573-317-9000; Fax: 573-317-9000  
*Counseling*

**Jess's Pump Service, LLC**  
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 Dr. David Cathcart  
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 Camdenton, MO 65020  
 573-317-9200; Fax: 573-317-9202  
*Medical Center*

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**Household Hazardous Waste Reclamation Day, Saturday, April 30 from 9 AM to 2 PM at the Camdenton High School Parking Lot**

**2ND ANNUAL CAMDENTON PROJECT GRADUATION GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**PRIZES**

LOTS OF PRIZES!  
 TEAMS WILL BE SPLIT INTO FLIGHTS DETERMINED BY SCORE AND NUMBER OF ENTRIES!

**Date: Sunday, April 10, 2011**

Four person 18 hole scramble to benefit the 2011 Camdenton Project Graduation activities. Hosted by the Project Graduation committee and the Hidden Lakes Golf Course at Tan-Tar-A. Limited to the first 17 teams so get your team signed up today!!!

**SCHEDULE**

Sunday, April 10, 2011  
 12:00 Noon REGISTRATION (HIDDEN LAKES GOLF COURSE) (AA-AAA)  
 1:00 P.M. GOLF TOURNAMENT SHOOTING START  
 6:00 P.M. PRIZES AWARDED FOLLOWING PLAY

**2011 CAMDENTON PROJECT GRADUATION**

**PAUL LEAHY**  
 Phone: 573-348-8535  
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 Email: leahy@pg.com

**TEAM SIGNUP**

TEAM CAPTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PLAYER 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PLAYER 3: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PLAYER 4: \_\_\_\_\_

**COST: \$200 PER TEAM**  
 MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CAMDENTON PROJECT GRADUATION

Send entries and payment to: Project Graduation Golf Tournament  
 Attn: Paul Leahy  
 P.O. Box 1880  
 Osage Beach, MO 65065



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*The Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting for St. John's Clinic, 404 West US Hwy 54, Stone Castle Center, Camdenton. They provide medical care closer to home. Dr. Scott Kutz a neurosurgeon, and Dr. David Cathcart, a family medicine physician are available to serve patients in Camdenton [pictured on posters]. Call 573-317-9200. Pictured Bruce Mitchell, Chamber Executive Director; Jen Albers and Sandy Trumbo, St. John's Representatives; and Don Neuharth, Chamber Board Member.*



*The Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting for Watkins Products, 18670 State Hwy Y, Lewistown, 573-497-2765. Watkins is a business of helping people earn extra money by working part time or full time. They have been in business for 143 years. It offers the highest quality products at a fair market value. There are around 350 products in the line. Including spices, extracts, soup bases, health aids, and all natural personal care and cleaning products. Watkins started as a health and wellness company and continues to lead the nation in healthy products. Pictured left to right: Rowland Todd, Chamber Representative; Watkins representative Shirley Lay [with scissors]; and Bruce Mitchell, Chamber Executive Director.*

### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 4	Dogwood Festival Comm Meeting	5 PM	Chamber Office
Apr 7	Product Show Comm Meeting	Noon	Chamber Office
Apr 9	Miss Dogwood Pageant	7 PM	Camdenton High School
Apr 12	Leadership Camden County	8 AM – 4:30 PM	Focus: State Government
Apr 14	Board of Directors Meeting	7:30 AM	Chamber Office
Apr 14-17	61st Annual Dogwood Festival		Camdenton
Apr 16	Dogwood Festival Parade	10 AM	Downtown Camdenton
Apr 26	Water Safety Council Meeting	10 AM	Quails Nest Motel
Apr 28	Quarterly Breakfast	7 AM	Trophy Room at Old Kinderhook
Apr 30	Household Hazardous Waste	9 AM – 2 PM	Camdenton High School Parking Lot
May 10	Leadership Camden County	8 AM – 2:30 PM	Focus: Leadership in Practice
May 12	Board of Directors Meeting	7:30 AM	Chamber Office
May 12	Business-After-Hours	5 – 7 PM	Casa de Loco Winery
May 17	Leadership Camden County Graduation	5:30 PM	The Banquet Room at Old Kinderhook

### AND OTHER NEWS

- Mark your calendar for **Chamber Day at the Springfield Cardinals** on Saturday, June 25, 2011. Tickets are \$25 each in the Red Bird Roost and include unlimited ball park food and non-alcoholic beverages. If enough people are interested, we will charter a bus to take people from the Chamber office to the ballgame for another \$10 per person. For more details and a reservation form, go to the Chamber web site, click on the Member Information Tab and then click on the right sidebar that talks about the game.
- The Lake of the Ozarks Watershed Alliance is sponsoring a household hazardous waste collection on Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 9 AM to 2 PM. Check around your house for hazardous chemicals, paints, pesticides, etc. that you are no longer using and dispose them in an environmentally friendly way!
- Be sure to sign up for the annual **Dogwood Festival Parade**. The parade will start at the Camdenton School complex at 10 AM on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Parade registration forms are on the web site at [www.CamdentonChamber.com/DogwoodFestival](http://www.CamdentonChamber.com/DogwoodFestival). Deadline for applications is April 6<sup>th</sup>.



The Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting for Jess's Pump Service, Camdenton. They offer new well installations for both commercial and residential applications, repairing existing water control systems to water hydrants as well as tank and pump replacement. All estimates are a free service giving you detailed description of the service to be rendered. All services are available 7 days a week in emergency cases. Licensed and insured, call 573-317-1047. Pictured left to right: Michael Carter, Chamber Representative; Jess Eaton [with scissors], owner; Debbie Hare; and Rowland Todd, Chamber Representative.

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