

Calendar of Events

- June 19, 2026 **Office Closed-Juneteenth**
08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST
- June 19, 2026 **Cleats & Beats Community Events**
Jesse James Park
3001 MO Hwy 33
Kearney, MO 64060
02:00 PM - 09:00 PM CST
FAN FEST - WATCH PARTY- CONCERT
Plans are underway for a free, family-friendly community event at Jesse James Park on the afternoon of Friday, June 19th with a watch party on a large outdoor screen, activities, food, vendors, and a concert. More information will be shared as details are confirmed (pending FIFA approval).
- July 3, 2026 **Office Closed-Independence Day**
08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST

July 4, 2026

CLAY COUNTY UNDER THE STARS & STRIPES: AMERICA 250

Sailboat Cove at Smithville Lake

4619 Chapel Road

Smithville, MO 64089

12:00 PM - 10:00 PM CST

Deborah Cross , 816-407-3405

dcross@claycountymo.gov

Join us for the annual Smithville Fireworks Show, proudly sponsored by the City of Smithville and Clay County, with extra activities this year as we help celebrate America's 250th birthday!

This FREE event kicks off at Sailboat Cove (4619 Chapel Rd | Smithville) with a DJ from 12:00–4:00PM, featuring local community acts, family-friendly activities, food trucks, and more.

More details coming soon!

Live band: 6:00–9:00 PM

Fireworks Show:

Fireworks will be launched from Smith's Fork Park (1601 DD HWY | Smithville) from the north side of the spillway at dusk, approximately 9:15/9:30PM.

Great viewing spots include:

- *Smith's Fork Park*
- *On the lake near the dam*
- *Smith's Fork Campground*
- *Surrounding areas of the park*
- *Clay County Parks*

Parking: Available throughout Smith's Fork Park, Clay County Parks, and Sailboat Cove

Important Notes:

- *Park restrooms at Smith's Fork Park will be closed due to annual vandalism*
- *Portable restrooms will be available throughout the park*
- *Rainout date: TBD – updates will be shared here*

Bring your friends, family, lawn chairs, and patriotic spirit — we'll see you under the stars!

Thank you to the committee planning this event:

- Clay County Parks*
- City of Smithville | Smithville Parks & Recreation*
- Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce*
- Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce*
- Kearney Parks & Recreation*

July 6, 2026

Free Webinar-Amendment 4

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM CST

Join the Missouri Chamber's government affairs team and Representative Alex Riley for a timely discussion on Amendment 4, an important ballot measure appearing on Missouri's August 4, 2026 ballot. The Missouri Chamber supports a Yes on Amendment 4 vote and believes this measure is important to protecting Missouri's economic competitiveness and strengthening the state's business climate.

During this webinar, participants will learn what Amendment 4 would do, why it has become a priority issue for Missouri's business community, and the reasons the Missouri Chamber is encouraging support of the measure. Attendees will also gain insight into the broader implications of the proposal and have an opportunity to ask questions of policy experts.

This webinar is open to Missouri Chamber Federation member chambers, their members, employers, and business leaders who want to be informed about one of the most significant business-related issues on the August ballot.

Monday, July 6, 2026 | 2:00 p.m. CDT

Register Here

Whether you are looking to better understand the measure yourself or share accurate information with your members and community, this webinar will provide valuable context as Election Day approaches.

For additional information about Amendment 4, visit <https://www.protectelectionintegrity.com/>

July 14, 2026

Ambassador Meeting
Hoffman's Hometown Eatery
105 S Jefferson St A2
Kearney, MO 64060

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST

Stacie Bratcher, 816.628.4229

execdirector@kearneychamber.org

Kearney Chamber Ambassadors Empower Business Excellence!

Empower Business Excellence

The Ambassador Committee

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July 15, 2026

Maximize Your Membership
Kearney Chamber of Commerce
190 W State Route 92
Kearney, MO 64060

03:30 PM - 04:30 PM CST

Stacie Bratcher, 816.628.4229

stacie@kearneychamber.org

Are you getting the most from your Chamber membership? Join us for Maximize Your Membership on Wednesday, July 15 at 3:30 p.m. at the Kearney Chamber office. This relaxed, informative session is designed to help members better understand the many ways the Chamber can support visibility, connection, involvement, and business growth. Whether you are brand new or have been a member for years, you'll walk away with practical ideas, greater confidence, and fresh ways to plug in. Light refreshments will be provided.

August 5, 2026

Chamber Luncheon August
First Christian Church of Kearney
2151 S Jefferson St
Kearney, MO 64060

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST

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Local food, great connections, and real value for your business!

Held the first Wednesday of each month (except Jan & July) from Noon-1:00pm at the First Christian Church in Kearney, MO.

Registration is Required! A boxed lunch from a local member restaurant is included.

Deadline to Register: Noon, Monday, August 3.

Cost: \$10.00 Members / \$25 Non-Members

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FEATURE PRESENTATION: TBA

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August 11, 2026

Multi-Chamber Coffee
AJ Barn
4101 NE Pleasant Valley Road Gladstone
Gladstone, MO 64119

08:00 AM - 10:00 AM CST

Amy Harlin ,

amy@gladstonechamber.com

Tuesday, August 11

8 or 8:30am

AJ Barn in Gladstone

Watch for final details and registration coming soon!

August 11, 2026

Ambassador Meeting

Pizza Shoppe

921 State Rte 92

Kearney, MO 64060

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST

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August 18, 2026

Free Webinar-ADA Website Lawsuits

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST

Brian Crouse, 573-634-3511

ADA Website Lawsuits: What Missouri Businesses Need to Know

Website accessibility lawsuits are becoming increasingly common, and Missouri businesses need to understand the risks and responsibilities involved.

Join the Missouri Chamber for this timely webinar:

Tuesday, August 18, 2026

11:00 a.m.

Pre-register here: mochamber.com/ada-lawsuits

August 26, 2026

Nonprofit Forum

Kearney Chamber of Commerce

190 W State Route 92 Hwy

Kearney, MO 64060

02:30 PM - 03:30 PM CST

Stacie Bratcher, 8166284229

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Occurs the fourth Wednesday of the following months at 2:30pm.

Meeting Schedule for 2026

February 25, at the Chamber

May 27 at NTRC

August 26 at KSD Education Foundation

November 18 at Methodist Church

Roundtable Format:

Introduction & Elevator Pitch

How are YOU doing? How are things going for the organization?

What are you Celebrating?

What major projects are you working on?

Any Issues? Needs? Questions?

Resources needed? Or to share?

How can we help?

Upcoming events?

2026 Initiatives?

August 28, 2026

Kearney Coffee at Oak Pointe of Kearney

Oak Pointe of Kearney

200 Meadowbrook Drive

Kearney, MO 64060

08:30 AM - 10:00 AM CST

Stacie Bratcher, 816.628.4229

stacie@kearneychamber.org

You're Invited: Kearney Coffee!

Kick off your Friday with great coffee, better conversation, and real local connections.

Friday, June 5

8:30–10:00 AM

Oak Pointe of Kearney

We're excited to feature Travelin' Tom's Coffee Truck, serving up your favorite morning drinks while you connect with Chamber members and others in the community.

Come and go as your schedule allows- just don't miss this energizing start to your day!

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September 2, 2026

Membership Luncheon

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST

September 7, 2026

Office Closed-Labor Day

08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST

September 11, 2026

Empower Kearney: Leadership Academy 2026

Kearney Chamber of Commerce

190 W State Route 92

Kearney, MO 64060

08:30 AM - 04:30 PM CST

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Empower Kearney: Leadership Academy

Proudly Presented by NKC Health, Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative & Summit Media

“Leadership for Impact”

The Empower Kearney Leadership Academy is a dynamic nine-month experience designed to cultivate and empower both established and emerging leaders. Participants will strengthen leadership skills, expand networks, and gain the knowledge needed to make a lasting impact on their businesses and community.

The academy runs September through May, with monthly sessions focused on leadership development and community engagement.

Lead with Purpose. Grow with Intention. Impact Your Community.

What Makes This Program Different?

Real-world community immersion

Direct access to local leaders

Hands-on leadership application

Leadership Showcase project

Why Invest in the Leadership Academy?

Develop confident, capable leaders

Improve team performance & culture

Strengthen community connections

Build long-term leadership pipeline

Apply Today – Limited Seats Available

\$699 Chamber Members | \$955 Non-Members

Session Overview

September – Foundations of Leadership

Build a strong leadership foundation through self-awareness, purpose discovery, teambuilding, and goal setting. Begin developing a leadership mindset rooted in personal growth and community impact.

October – Leading from Within

Explore purpose, personal branding, and team culture. Strengthen connection, trust, and vulnerability while understanding how leadership influences workplace environments.

November – Leadership Effectiveness

Develop emotional intelligence, personal productivity, and communication skills. Learn how assertive communication builds trust and strengthens leadership impact.

December – Strengths-Based Leadership & Community Systems

Discover and apply your Top 5 CliftonStrengths while gaining insight into education and workforce development systems within the community.

January – Personal Growth & Community Impact

Strengthen personal development through growth mindset and coaching while exploring healthcare and public safety systems in the community.

February – Vision, Influence & Leadership in Action

Focus on leadership as influence, developing vision, priorities, and personal growth to inspire others and create meaningful impact.

March – Trust in Leadership

Understand trust as a strategic leadership skill built through integrity, clarity, and consistency, and its role in shaping strong teams and culture.

April – Mental Health & Leadership

Explore the connection between well-being and leadership effectiveness, including resilience, boundaries, and creating psychologically safe environments.

May – Leadership Growth & Graduation

Reflect on leadership as a daily, intentional process. Celebrate growth and commit to continued leadership development beyond the Academy.

September 17, 2026

Kearney Coffee at Edward Jones - Mark Guelich

Edward Jones - Mark Guelich
215 S Platte Clay Way, Suite A
Kearney, MO 64060

08:30 AM - 10:00 AM CST

Stacie Bratcher, 816.628.4229

stacie@kearneychamber.org

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Thursday, September 17th

8:30–10:00 AM

Edward Jones office of Mark Guelich

We're excited to feature Travelin' Tom's Coffee Truck, serving up your favorite morning drinks while you connect with Chamber members and others in the community.

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October 1, 2026

6th Annual Harvest Gala-Golden Jubilee

Tobacco Barn Farm

18503 MO-33

Holt, MO 64048

06:00 PM - 09:00 PM CST

Stacie Bratcher, 8166284229

execdirector@kearneychamber.org

Founded in 1976 | Thriving in 2026

SAVE THE DATE: The Kearney Chamber of Commerce is excited to host the sixth annual HARVEST GALA on Thursday, October 1st, 2026, at Tobacco Barn Farm. Celebrating 50 years of impact, this formal affair will showcase, celebrate, and recognize our Chamber businesses. Honoring legacy, elevating the present, and toasting the future.

Step into an unforgettable evening of golden glamour as the Kearney Chamber celebrates its Golden Jubilee—50 Years of Impact at our sixth annual Harvest Gala! In honor of this milestone anniversary, Tobacco Barn Farm will be transformed into a dazzling celebration of elegance, nostalgia, and fun. Guests will enjoy an exceptional evening featuring interactive close-up sleight-of-hand magic with Todd Lamanske, a lively dance floor with Elite Sound spinning your favorite 1970s disco hits, a spirited mixology experience, and the sparkling excitement of the Champagne Raffle sponsored by Etiam Diamonds. Add in delicious dining, memorable photo moments, meaningful nods to five decades of Chamber history, and a few golden surprises along the way, and you have far more than a gala—you have a celebration worthy of 50 remarkable years. Dust off your formalwear, add a touch of gold, and join us for a spectacular night of celebration, connection, and community.

When: Thursday, October 1st, 2026 - 6pm thru 9pm

Where: Tobacco Barn Farm - ?18503 State Route 33, Holt, Missouri 64048 (Click to View)

Who: YOU! But Seating is Limited. Reserve Your Tickets Today!

Attire: Black Tie Optional/Formal Attire Encouraged. Gold accents welcome--sequins encouraged.

Reserve your tickets today, starting at \$76 per person.

October 7, 2026

Membership Luncheon

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST

October 9, 2026

Leadership Academy

08:30 AM - 04:30 PM CST

October 12, 2026

Office Closed-Columbus Day

08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST

October 23, 2026

Kearney Coffee at Edward Jones - Beau Walker

Edward Jones - Beau Walker

801 Watson Drive, Ste B

Kearney, MO 64060

08:30 AM - 10:00 AM CST

Stacie Bratcher, 816.628.4229

stacie@kearneychamber.org

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Friday, October 23rd

8:30-10:00 AM

Edward Jones office of Beau Walker

We're excited to feature Travelin' Tom's Coffee Truck, serving up your favorite morning drinks while you connect with Chamber members and others in the community.

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November 1, 2026

Keep the Cheer Here

08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST

November 4, 2026

Membership Luncheon

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST

November 11, 2026

Office Closed-Veterans Day

08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST

November 13, 2026

Leadership Academy

08:30 AM - 04:30 PM CST

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November 26, 2026

- November 27, 2026

Office Closed-Thanksgiving

08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST

December 2, 2026

Favorite Things Chamber Luncheon

First Christian Church of Kearney

2151 S Jefferson Street

Kearney, MO 64060

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST

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stacie@kearneychamber.org

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Local food, great connections, and real value for your business!

Held the first Wednesday of each month (except Jan & July) from Noon-1:00pm at the First Christian Church in Kearney, MO.

Registration is Required! A boxed lunch from Hunan Garden is included.

Deadline to Register: Noon, Monday, November 30.

Cost: \$10.00 Members / \$25 Non-Members

We start on time, so arrive early for networking opportunities.

FEATURE PRESENTATION: FAVORITE THINGS--A Premiere Holiday Event.

During Small Business Season we'll spotlight several member businesses who will feature up to three of their hottest items for the holidays. Expect lots of prizes and giveaways!!!

Participating Retailers:

Bea's Flowers & Gifts

Alterations & Custom Sewing

(Member Retailers if you are interested in participating contact Stacie at the Chamber office: 816.628.4229 or execdirector@kearneychamber.org.)

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PRESENTED BY: Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative

December 11, 2026

Leadership Academy
08:30 AM - 04:30 PM CST

December 17, 2026

Jingle & Mingle After Hours
04:00 PM - 06:00 PM CST

December 24, 2026
- December 31, 2026

Office Closed-Holiday
08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST

February 3, 2027

Chamber Luncheon February
First Christian Church of Kearney
2151 S Jefferson St
Kearney, MO 64060

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST
Stacie Bratcher, 816.628.4229
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*Join us for our monthly Chamber Luncheon:
Presented by Kearney School District.*

Local food, great connections, and real value for your business!

*Held the first Wednesday of each month (except Jan & July) from Noon-1:00pm at the
First Christian Church in Kearney, MO.*

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Deadline to Register: Noon, Monday, February 1.*

Cost: \$10.00 Members / \$25 Non-Members

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FEATURE PRESENTATION: Dr. Emily Miller Superintendent, Kearney School District
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