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PIKE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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From the Chamber Office

Requesting meeting and event information!

The Pike County Chamber of Commerce wants to be the central gathering point for all events and important meetings throughout Pike County.

The Pike County Chamber of Commerce continually receives phone

calls and email requests for meeting and event schedules as well as event contact names.

Please email your information to info@pikeil.org or call Karen at 285-2971.

AT THE VISITOR CENTER

The Pike County Visitor Center at 224 W Washington in Pittsfield has on hand a good supply of 2008 area phone books as well as the Quincy area-wide yellow page book. We have also gotten in new 2007/2008 Illinois highway maps.

Stop in today and pick up yours!

Pike County Chamber of Commerce

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"Working Together For All Of Pike County"

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - IT'S ANNUAL MEETING TIME

The 2008 Pike County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting will be held Thursday night, March 13th at the Crossroads Center in Pittsfield. Come for our meet and greet networking time starting at 6 p.m. Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Cindy Fleschlie from the Illinois Tourism Bureau.

This year we are again replacing the benefit auction with the opportunity for corporate sponsorships. Sponsorship information sheet is enclosed.

Tickets are available from the Chamber Office by calling Karen at 217-285-2971 or from Pike County Chamber Board of Directors and Ambassadors

What's Happening
Wednesday, Feb. 6
PCSWD Annual Meeting, Farm Bureau Hall. Breakfast served at 7 am. Tickets are \$5. Call 285-5448 for more information.

Thursday, Feb. 7
PCEDC Annual Meeting 7 pm, Farm Bureau Hall. The featured topic is: 'Generations in the Workplace'

Saturday, Feb. 9, Colver Family Winery, Barry, 3rd Annual Chocolate Festival - 1 - 4 pm.

Thursday, Feb. 14
Hopewell Winery & Restaurant - Valentine's Day Prime Rib Special. Call for reservations 285-2759.

Monday, Feb. 25 Republican Lincoln Day Dinner - Crossroads Center, 6 pm. \$20 per ticket, \$100 per sponsor. Call John Birch 833-2880.

Friday, February 29 Lincoln Symposium, Red Dome Inn, featured guest, Dr. Thomas Schwartz. For more information call 217-285-6995.

Call 285-2971 to include your event information here!

2007 Chamber Board Officers & Directors

Trent Hayden, President,
A.G Edwards

Lois Pennock, Vice President,
*JDL Longhorn, Walnut Knob
Outdoors, Pea Ridge Elk Ranch*

Peter Wright, Treasurer,
Wright Place Auto Body

Carolyn Casteel, *Casteel's*

David Fuhler, *WBBA*

Kent Hawley, *JWCC*

Nancy Kurpaitis, *Old Flor-
ence Guest House*

Pauline Little, *Fashion Flow-
ers*

Mina Robertson, *Farmers
National Bank*

Mike Spann, *COUNTRY
Insurance & Financial Services*

Andy Sprague, *Sprague's
Kinderhook Lodge*

Robert Wood, *City of Pitts-
field Alderman*

2008 Ambassadors

Jake Allen, Corn Belt Bank

Kim Ator, Farmers State Bank

Teresa Bauer, Eastside Health &
Rehab Center

Dr. Cole Bradburn, Midwest
Chiropractic Clinic

**Dr. Jake Brown & Jessica
Brown**; Midwest Chiropractic
Clinic

Sheila Davidsmeyer, North-
western Mutual Financial Services

Britini Deeder, Pike County
Farm Bureau

Tammy Harshman, Illini
Health Services

Nichole Liehr, Pike Press

Brenda Middendorf, Two
Rivers RC&D/Access Illinois

Jennifer Ross, J.D. Ross &
Associates, Inc

Stephanie Sorrells, PCEDC

Beth White, Farmers National
Bank

Time & Temperature
285-6600

25X'25 UPDATE

BY BLAKE RODERICK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SCOTT & PIKE FARM

The **25x'25 RENEWABLE ENERGY ALLIANCE** is a national coalition organized to promote a national goal for America's energy future. Over 650 national, state, and local organizations, companies, and governments support 25x'25.

The 25x'25 coalition's goal for America is to produce 25 percent of our energy from renewable resources such as biofuels and wind by the year 2025.

By 2025, American farms, forests, and ranches can provide 25 percent of the total energy consumed in the United States, and produce safe, abundant, and affordable food, feed, and fiber.

The Energy Bill passed by Congress and signed by President Bush includes the national goal of 25x'25. Illinois has a similar goal approved last year.

Continued growth in biofuels and wind energy will put Illinois in the top tier of states that benefit from a renewable energy future. In Illinois, the success of 25x'25 may result in: 220,000 new jobs—many in rural areas; \$40 billion in new economic output; 4 million MW of renewable electricity (wind, hydro, and solar); 84 million dry tons of agricultural and cellulosic feedstocks; 7 billion gallons of ethanol and 72 million gallons of biodiesel and \$3 billion addition to net farm income in Illinois.

In addition to the Pike County Chamber of Commerce, here is a short list of Illinois groups that are 25x'25 Partners: Association of Illinois Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Illinois Agri-Women, Illinois Association of RC&D Areas, Illinois Grape Growers and Vintners Association, Kaskaskia Watershed Association, Two Rivers RC&D, Prairie Hills RC&D, Counties of Pike, Sangamon, and Scott, Illinois Rural Electric Company, Lincoln Land FS, Pike County Economic Development Corporation, Scott County Development Corporation, Jacksonville Regional Economic Development Corporation, Great Rivers Economic Development Foundation (GREDF), Tri-State Development (IL-IA-MO), Illinois Association of Regional Councils, West Central Illinois Agricultural Research & Demonstration Center, Cities of Barry, Griggsville, Hull, and Pittsfield, and 60 county farm bureaus including the Pike County Farm Bureau.

Development of renewable energy resources in Pike County will benefit area farmers, businesses, schools, and communities as it creates new sources of jobs and wealth in Pike County.

For more information please contact:

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PIKE COUNTY ITEM DONATIONS STILL NEEDED!!

The Pike County Chamber of Commerce is putting a BIG basket of Pike County items together to be offered at the Silent Auction, held during the Illinois Tourism Conference Feb. 13-15th in Springfield.

PLEASE help us create a 'uniquely packaged' Pike County basket and show the entire state of Illinois all that Pike County has to offer.

Please call Karen at the Chamber office at 285-2971 with donations or for more information.

Support our Pike County Chamber Members

list effective as of 1.30.08

Abe Lincoln Project	Ed & Woodie's S & S Inc.	KHQA TV	Pittsfield Public Library
Access Illinois Outdoors	Edwards Construction, Inc	Kientzle Shoe Store	Pittsfield Tire, Inc.
Adams Networks, Inc.	Edward Jones	Kinderhook State Bank	Pizza Hut
Adecco Employment Services	ETC Computerland	Kountry Expressions	Poole Advertising, LLC
A.G. Edwards	Evergreen Lawn & Pest Control	Kozy Korner Promotions	Prairie Care Alliance
All State Insurance Agency	Farmers National Bank of Griggsville	Liberty Village	Quanada
Ameren CIPS	Farmers State Bank	Likes Land Surveyors Inc.	Quick Shot Photography
Andress' Apartments	Fashion Flowers	Logan Agri-Service Inc.	Quincy Convention & Visitors Bureau
Area Disposal Service, Inc.	First Bank of Pittsfield	Lowry Music Company	Quincy Herald Whig Realty 1
Bank of Kampsville/ Pleasant Hill Facility	First National Bank of Barry	Lusage Marketing Inc	Red Dome Inn
Barber Agency	Florence Guest House	Maschhoff Pork L.L.C.	Reed Promotional Media
Barton & Associates	GFC	MATAM, Inc	Rodhouse Rut-N-Strut
Baughman, Wayne	Grand Oaks Outfitters	McCartney Real Estate	Rotary Club of Pittsfield
Bee Creek Quarter Horses & Cattle	Gray House B&B	McDonald's	Scranton Appraisal Services
Benton & Associates, Inc.	Griggville Christian Church	MECO Engineering Company	Sheppard, John & Karolyn
Bert's West Side Flats	Griggville Estates	Memory Lane Awards	Sprague's Kinderhook Lodge
BJ's Guest Houses	H & R Block	Mental Health Centers of Western Illinois	State Farm Insurance
Blue River Outdoors, Inc.	Harpole's Heartland Lodge	Midwest Chiropractic Clinic	Stilwell, Johnson & Gwen
Bowlers Universe	Heartland Chiropractic Center	Mississippi Valley Lodging LLP	Stroemer Foods Catering
Bradshaw Real Estate	Heaton Chevrolet-Olds-Geo	Monroe Street Suites	Summer Hill Antique Mall
Brants Antiques & Gift Center	Heimer & Associates, Inc.	Morrow Farms	Tee Pee Mini Mart/Subway
Brickyard Sports Bar & Grill	Hollahan Law Office	Moss Family Farms, Inc.	The Archery Shop
Brookside Marketing	Hooper & Niebur Insurance	Nature Society	Trinity Rentals/ D-C Elec.
Buckeye Creek Outfitters	Hopewell Winery	Neal Tire & Auto Service	Twin Pike Family YMCA
Bucks BeWare Outfitters	Ice House Inn, Inc.	New Canton Township	Two Rivers FS
Butler Outdoor Farms Adventures	Ideal Hardware	Niebur Funeral Home	Two Rivers Jeep Club
Calvary Baptist Church	Illini Community Health Care Foundation	Noble Harrison II, CPA	Underground Railroad Antiques
Campbell Farms Hunting	Illini Community Hospital	Northwestern Mutual Financial Network	Verizon North
Carnes, Inc.	Illini Health Services Inc.	Oitker Ford Sales	Village of Pleasant Hill
Casey's General Store	Illinois Department of Employment Security	Old Orchard Country Club	Wade Real Estate
Cass Cable TV, Inc.	Illinois Rural Electric Coop	Pea Ridge Elk Ranch	Wal-Mart Discount Cities
Casteel Color Wheel	Illinois Small Business Development Center	Perry Quick Mart, Inc	Walnut Knob Outdoors, Inc.
Catering & More	Illinois Valley Paving Company	Peter's Heating & Air Conditioning	WBBA - DJ Two Rivers, Inc.
Center for Effective Nonprofits	Illinois Xtreme Whitetail Lodge	Pike Bucks Unlimited	West Central Illinois Therapy and Sports Medicine Center
Central State Bank	Ingersoll, Katherine	Pike County Government	WGEM
Chenoweth Bulldozing & Tile	International Eye Care	Pike County Bucks	Winchester Guest house
Cherry's Guest House	Investment Centers of America	Pike County Community Health Partnership	Wright Place Auto Body
Church of the Nazarene	J.D. Ross & Associates, Inc.	Pike County Economic Development Corporation	Wright, Harry & Helen Zimmerman Bros. Inc.
City of Barry	Jacksonville Journal Courier	Pike County Express	
City of Griggsville	JBS/United	Pike County Farm Bureau	
City of Pittsfield	JDL Longhorn Inc.	Pike County Glass Inc.	
Collver Family Winery	Jess Spradlin's Midwest Homes	Pike County Health Department	
Corn Belt Bank & Trust Co.	State Rep. Jim Watson	Pike County Historical Society	
COUNTRY Insurance & Financial Services	JK Ranches	Pike County Lumber Company	
County Market	John Petty & Sons Construction Company, Inc.	Pike County Real Estate, Inc.	
DCEO	John Wood Community College	Pike Press	
Eagle Business Products, LLC	Jones Poultry	Pikeland Outfitters	
Eagle Lakes Outfitters	Kentucky Fried Chicken	Pine Lakes	
Eastside Health & Rehabilitation Center		Pittsfield Main Street	

*Thank YOU for
supporting
Pike County
Chamber of
Commerce Members!*

**The Pike County Chamber of Commerce would not exist today without
the continued support from our Pike County Businesses. THANK YOU!**

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THE CHAMBER NEWS

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SEEKING BUSINESS & VOLUNTEER NOMINATIONS

The Pike County Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for Business Of The Year and Volunteer Of The Year honors.

The Business Of The Year needs to be a viable business in Pike County that is involved in and with their community organizations or events.

The Volunteer Of The Year can be any Pike County resident who volunteers his or her time to support the Pike County and his or her community.

The nominations should include the name, a paragraph about their involvement with the County and why they are being

nominated, along with a contact name for more information.

Nominations can be sent to P.O. Box 283 Pittsfield, IL 62363 or dropped off at the Chamber office located at 224 W. Washington St. in the Community Center building. You can also fax your nominations to 217-285-

5251 or e-mail them to info@pikeil.org. Deadline for submissions is Friday, Feb. 15th, 2008.

The winners will be formally announced at the annual Chamber dinner to be held Thursday, March 13th at the Crossroads Center in Pittsfield.



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The Pike County Chamber of Commerce -
Striving to make Pike County a better place to live, work and visit