Common Ground
It's everyone's business.
Richards Brick


Finally in 1905, the company was incorporated as Richards Brick Company with B. H. Richards serving as Senior President, Russell H. Richards as Vice President, and B. H. Richards, Jr. Secretary and Treasurer.

Having suffered through two fires, the Richards started building new kilns and constructing new storage sheds. The operation was growing and the company had four teams of mules for hauling brick locally, with the balance of the brick loaded into railroad cars.

In 1915 Richards Brick utilized technology, purchasing their first gasoline tractor, an electric battery-driven truck, and a Ford Roadster as a company car for the salesman. With 1917 came a conversion from steam power to electricity, more expansion, and a new brick washhouse for the men.


After generations of innovation, investing millions of dollars in expansion and cutting-edge equipment, and surviving war and the Great Depression, Richards Brick Company still thrives. In 2006 R. W. Richards assumed Chairman of the Board, with John Motley President and Treasurer, and James R. Richards Vice-President and Secretary.

Richards Brick Company is located at 234 Springer Avenue in Edwardsville. To learn more about Richards Brick, call 618.656.0230 or visit them online at richardsbrick.com.

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Book One Year of Advertising in Common Ground and receive a 15% Discount.

Call (618) 656-7600 for details
The purpose of a networking mixer is to meet new people, make new contacts, promote your business, and talk with other business people facing the same challenges as you. All are welcomed and invited to attend. Hors d’oeuvres and beverages are provided. A business card raffle and 50/50 drawing will occur at approximately 6:00 pm. Entry fee is $5. This is an excellent networking opportunity!

9/3 Thursday 5–7 pm
Hortica Insurance & Employee Benefits
1 Horticultural Lane
Edwardsville, Illinois  62025

9/17 Thursday 5–7 pm
Hampton Inn
5723 Heritage Crossing Drive
Glen Carbon, IL 62034

Can’t make a Business After Hours? Networking@noon is a great way to meet other business people in a smaller group setting without taking time away from your busy day. This fun, fast-paced, members-only “speed networking” event is designed to get you in, fed, connected, and on your way in 60 minutes or less.

9/11  Friday  noon
hosted by Fountain View Manor
at Bully’s Smokehouse
1035 Century Drive
Edwardsville, Illinois  62025

10/1  Friday  noon
hosted by Southern Illinois Chiropractic
at GC Cuisine
1230 University Drive
Edwardsville, Illinois  62025

October 8–11, 2009

Join us for a community-wide event including a full schedule of family activities, classic car parade, 10K run, bike ride, and a variety of foods and live entertainment.

www.edglenfallfest.com
From The Desk of Carol Foreman

In addition to maintaining current programs and continuing to work on behalf of our membership, the Chamber office will be buzzing throughout the months of September and October in preparation of exciting upcoming events. These include the annual Golf Challenge, Fallfest, and the Halloween Parade. Through these events the Chamber provides you with unique marketing opportunities.

Many sponsorships are available for the Golf Challenge. To learn more about supporting the Challenge, turn to pages 6 and 7 in this issue of Common Ground. If you would like to download and print the sponsorship and entry forms, go to www.edglengolfchallenge.com.

Have you thought of participating in Fallfest? Whether you’re planning an event specific to the Fallfest festivities or you’re conducting business as usual and would like to get involved, give me a call. The Chamber will include your special event in all printed pieces as well as on the official Fallfest Web site, www.edglenfallfest.com. We will also publish and distribute over 4,000 printed programs to targeted venues throughout Edwardsville, Glen Carbon and SIUE. If you would like to appear in the Fallfest program, turn to page 9 for details. Your Fallfest ad will also appear in the Halloween Parade program at no additional charge.

Finally, with the holiday season fast approaching, it’s time to promote your business to other Chamber members. Advertising in Common Ground is a powerful and cost effective way to reach an audience with a vested interested in supporting other local businesses. If you own a retail store or catering company, or have rooms available to rent for holiday celebrations, consider placing an ad in Common Ground in the coming months – you won’t be disappointed.

Sincerely,

Carol Foreman, Executive Director
2009 Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber Golf Challenge
Friday, October 2 at Sunset Hills Country Club

Deadline for registration is September 24. No refunds after September 29. Payment must accompany registration.

Name ____________________________________________

Company __________________________________________

Address __________________________________________

City __________________________ State __________ ZIP __________

Phone __________________________________________

We would like to sponsor at the _________________________________ level at $ __________________

Please reserve ____________________ foursome(s) at $600 each. Names are listed below.

Please reserve ____________________ individual ticket(s) at $150 each. Place me with a team.

I would like to participate in the skins game at $40 per team.

I will not be playing golf. Please reserve ____________________ reception ticket(s) at $25 each.

Please list names and shirt sizes below, with Captain’s name and e-mail address on the first line:

Player 1 ____________________________________________ Player 2 _____________________________

Player 3 ____________________________________________ Player 4 _____________________________

Payment Method: ______ Enclosed Check – please make checks payable to Ed/Glen Chamber

Credit Card: Please charge my card $ ____________________ MC or Visa

Name as it appears on card: __________________________ Exp. Date: ___________ Billing Zip Code: _______

Please fax this completed form to the Chamber office at 618.656.7611 or mail with payment to:
Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce, 200 University Park Drive Suite 260, Edwardsville, IL 62025

Team Categories
Gather your team to compete against other teams within your category!
Category A: Banks, Financial Services, Business Services, Accountants/CPA
Category B: Attorneys, Real Estate, Mortgage Co., Engineers, Insurance
Category C: Churches, Governments, Education
Category D: Hospitals, Doctors, Dentists, Chiropractors
Category E: Restaurants, Bars, Retail, Publishers, Associations, Misc.

All-Inclusive Format Includes
• 18 holes of tournament golf with cart at the beautiful Sunset Hills Country Club
• Unlimited use of driving range and putting green
• Contests prizes including longest drive (men & women), closest to pin, and skins
• Hole in One on the designated par 3 wins a car!
• Lunch & beverages on the course
• Dinner reception with awards ceremony

Proceeds to Benefit Chamber of Commerce
Community Programs & Activities

Schedule of Events
9am Registration & Driving Range Open
10am Shotgun Start
3pm Reception with Awards Ceremony

www.edglengolfchallenge.com
# Golf Challenge Sponsorships

Promote your business to over 144 golfers including Chamber members & area community/business leaders

*Information must be received by September 18 to guarantee full benefits. Payment must accompany registration.*

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<td>• Sole sponsor sign in practice green area before &amp; during Golf Challenge</td>
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<td>• Use as an opportunity to pass out golf balls or gifts, or visit with golfers</td>
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- Acknowledgement during awards ceremony

For more information, contact 656-7600.
Meet Your Ambassadors:
Crystal Wenzel

I grew up in Salem, IL, but moved to Edwardsville in 1997 to attend college at SIUE – I’ve been here since. In fact, I met my husband, Corey, in college and we have been married two years. Corey and I live with our two Chihuahuas, Dolce and Chloe. Some of my favorite hobbies include running, playing tennis and walking my dogs.

In 2002 I graduated from SIUE where I was a scholarship athlete in track & field and cross country. Something most people won’t know is that I was a pole vaulter in college.

I am a financial advisor at Wells Fargo Advisors, formerly AG Edwards, and I’ve been in the financial industry for seven years.

I joined the Ed/Glen Chamber in 2003 for the opportunity to meet other successful professionals within the Edwardsville and Glen Carbon communities. My favorite aspects of being a Chamber Ambassador are networking with other Chamber members and communicating the importance of getting involved to other individuals in the community who have yet to join.
Promote your business in the Fallfest program of events!

Fallfest program distributed to more than 4,000 people.
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- $250 – Quarter Page

Download advertising specs at www.edglenfallfest.com
October 31, 2009
The annual Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce Halloween Parade is set to begin at 6:30pm Saturday, October 31. This year’s theme is “Celebrate the Season.” Deadline for entry is Monday, October 12. Visit the Web site for information and to download forms.

www.edglenhalloween.com

What: SIUE Day
A unique opportunity to partner with the University, enhance your business, develop human potential and strengthen the community.

When: Friday, October 16, 2009
8:00–8:30 Breakfast sponsored by M5 Sports and 62 Sports Group
8:30–9:30 How to sell to SIUE Faculty and Staff
9:30–10:30 How to become an SIUE Vendor

Where: Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
Morris University Center
Meridian Ballroom

Seminar Cost = Free

For more information contact:
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Small Business Administration Announces New Temporary Loan Program

The Small Business Administration has announced a new loan program to provide temporary financial relief to small businesses suffering immediate financial hardship so they can keep their doors open and get their cash flow back on track.

America’s recovery Capital, or ARC, loan program started June 15 and offers small businesses up to $35,000 to pay off existing loans. The program was funded as part of the $787 billion federal stimulus bill earlier this year.

The 100% SBA-guaranteed ARC loans are intended to help businesses make principal and interest payments on existing, qualifying debt or loans. Borrowers will not have to make any payments for the first year and will have an additional 5 years to pay back their loan. Only one loan per applicant is allowed, and potential borrowers must not have any existing SBA loans.

To qualify, a business must have evidence of profitability or positive cash flow in at least one of the past two years and be able to show a change in its financial condition, “such as declining sales, frozen credit lines, difficulty meeting payroll, paying rent, difficulty making loan payments or perhaps something else,” according to SBA.

ARC loans are available through SBA-approved lenders as long as funding is available or through Sept. 30, 2010, whichever comes first. For more about ARC loans go to www.sba.gov

Article courtesy Sivia Business & Legal Services, P.C.
The first publication of the Intelligencer, then a four-page weekly called the Madison Intelligencer, came off the press November 13, 1862.

As Edwardsville’s oldest, continuously-operated business, the “I” has grown and prospered in a world where newspapers have evolved from hot-lead type to computer generated pages. And while a number of supposed “threats” would undoubtedly be the demise of the newspaper business, the Intelligencer has withstood radio, television and the Internet, joining the latter to provide the community with www.theintelligencer.com.

As part of our recent changes, the Intelligencer launched the e-Edition early in 2009. e-Edition, a scanned page-by-page edition that readers can subscribe to and access via the Web site, www.theintelligencer.com, allows a new generation of newspaper readers to become familiar with the newspaper. This new product gives readers freedom to peruse the Intelligencer wherever they find a computer, and it avoids printing and delivery costs, thus lending itself to a cheaper rate than home delivery. However, the old-fashioned newspaper print is still a great favorite among many of their subscribers, both young and old.

The Intelligencer’s core product is the Edwardsville Intelligencer, which is published Monday through Saturday. The Intelligencer is also a proud provider of Newspapers in Education, a non-profit program that delivers newspapers and curriculum to teachers at no charge to them or the schools.


The Intelligencer serves residents of Edwardsville, Glen Carbon, Maryville, Troy, Worden, Alhambra, and Hamel. They also serve surrounding communities through numerous media sponsorships and by participating in a variety of community events and charitable efforts.

The Intelligencer joined the Chamber in 1954. “Access to the Chamber has been a very helpful and useful asset. They keep us informed on community events, new business openings and new residents to our community. All of this allows the Intelligencer to stay as up-to-date as possible. In addition, the networking connections for our advertising staff are extremely helpful in finding new business for the newspaper.”

A quote by Thomas Jefferson from January 16, 1787 sums up the Intelligencer’s philosophy: “The basis of our governments being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right; and were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter.”

The Edwardsville Intelligencer, owned by the Hearst Corporation, is located at 117 North Second Street in Edwardsville and may be reached at 618.656.4700.
Please come to Culver’s of Edwardsville Thursday, September 24th in support of SIUE!

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Meet & Greet
Your Elected Officials

September 14, 2009 4–6pm

N.O. Nelson Campus of Lewis and Clark Community College
Jay Hoffman Building – Court Yard (weather permitting)

Please RSVP to 618.656.7600 no later than September 8th. Business casual attire.
SIUe Day Set for Friday, October 16

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville is launching its fourth annual SIUe Day, a fund-raising initiative aimed at providing a convenient opportunity for members of the community and University employees to help support the institution’s efforts.

SIUe Day will host a hot breakfast sponsored by M5 Sports and 62 Sports on Friday, October 16 in the SIUE Meridian Ballroom. The breakfast will include a short morning seminar that will highlight a panel of SIUE faculty and staff who will share where they shop locally and why. Attendees will also hear from the SIUE purchasing department on how to become an SIUE vendor.

In 2006 the Edwardsville/Glen Chamber of Commerce adopted SIUe Day as one of its community events. This year’s SIUe Day Chair is Matt McSparin, owner of M5 Sports and first vice president of the Ed/Glen Chamber. More than 160 Ed/Glen Chamber members attended the breakfast last year, and this is a number we anticipate to grow each year.

Local businesses can expect to receive a call or visit from one of their fellow Chamber members prior to the breakfast.

When: Friday, October 16, 2009
8am – Breakfast sponsored by M5 Sports & 62 Sports
8:30am – How to Sell to SIUE Faculty & Staff
9:30am – How to Become an SIUE Vendor
10:30am – Program Concludes
Where: SIUE, Morris University Center Meridian Ballroom

For more information about SIUe Day, call Julie Babington at 618.650.2378 or e-mail her at jbabing@siue.edu.
schmooze
business after hours

Anderson Hospital, August 6

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Faller Photography Group, August 20

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ribbon cuttings

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ABLE Sign Company, August 19

TheBANK of Edwardsville Shop 'N Save Center, August 27

Mr. Anthony’s Fashions, August 27

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The Tech Spot, August 21
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Jane Louer Earns LEED Accreditation

Jane W. Louer, President of Louer Facility Planning has recently been accredited as LEED AP (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional) by the US Green Build Council (USGBC). Accreditation is achieved by passing an exam administered by USGBC that tests knowledge and competency regarding the requirements and the administration of the process involved for a building to become LEED certified.

According to USGBC, “LEED is an internationally recognized green building certification system, providing third party verification that a building or community was designed and built using strategies aimed at improving performance across all the metrics that matter most: energy savings, water efficiency, CO2 emissions reduction, improved indoor environmental quality, and stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts.”

Louer Facility Planning is a commercial furniture and interior design firm that provides furnishings, space planning and finish selections in healthcare, corporate, financial and educational sectors. They are a dealer for Haworth®, an industry leader in the design and manufacture of commercial furniture products that support LEED Certification.

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Products offered by Louer Facility Planning can contribute to creating a green work environment. Products such as panel systems, chairs, fabric, wallcovering and carpet that contain recycled and recyclable materials can be chosen. When these products are regionally manufactured energy savings are achieved by reduced transportation costs.

Louer Facility Planning is committed to helping our clients create a more environmentally friendly workspace. Office and showroom are located in Collinsville, at 1604 Eastport Plaza Drive, Suite 100. Call 618.344.9610 to arrange for product demonstrations or go to www.louerplan.com for more information.
Local Photographer Earns National Honors

Carol Johnson of Visions by Carol Photography in Edwardsville has earned a Bronze Level Photographer of the Year Award from Professional Photographers of America (PPA). Johnson will be honored at PPA’s annual convention, Imaging USA, in January 2010 in Nashville, TN. In 2009 Johnson was one of only 61 Bronze Level Photographers of the Year.

“These awards are among the most prestigious in the industry,” confirms PPA Print Exhibition Committee Chairman Helen Yancy. “The recipients of these awards have proven the quality of their work on a consistent basis in one of the highest quality image competitions in the world, PPA’s International Print Competition.”

Visions by Carol is located at 108 North Main Street in Edwardsville. For more information, call 618.692.1556

Dr. Wohlford Welcomes Dr. Brian Hearing to Practice

Dr. Brent Wohlford would like to announce the addition of Dr. Brian Hearing to his dental practice, located at 5 Sunset Hills Professional Centre in Edwardsville.

Dr Hearing is a graduate of SIUE School of Dental Medicine, and a resident of Glen Carbon.

Both Dr. Wohlford and Dr. Hearing are currently accepting new patients, and are in network with most major insurance plans.

Dr. Hearing is offering a free exam, bitewing x-rays, and treatment plan consultation to new patients to the practice. Appointments can be made by calling 692-4545. Office hours are Monday-Friday from 8am-5pm, and Saturday from 7:30am-12pm.

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TheBANK of Edwardsville Opens Newly Renovated In-Store Center at Edwardsville Shop ‘N Save

Following a complete renovation of its In-Store center at Edwardsville Shop ‘n Save, TheBANK of Edwardsville cut a ribbon Thursday, August 27, 2009 to celebrate the re-opening of the convenient location.

Now located directly in front of the entrance doors, TheBANK of Edwardsville’s In-Store Center at Shop ‘n Save is even more convenient for customers, reopening this week for business. The redesigned space includes three lobby teller windows and two customer service stations where customers can open new accounts and manage their day-to-day banking needs. Designed to be even more customer friendly, the Shop ‘n Save In-Store Center also includes an ATM and coin counter machine.

According to Molly Wolfe, center manager of TheBANK of Edwardsville’s In-Store location, “So many of our customers have taken advantage of the convenience of our branch over the years that we wanted to give it an update so they can manage their daily banking needs while picking up their bread and milk. Shop ‘n Save has also received a facelift making it an even greater store than it was before.”

TheBANK of Edwardsville’s Shop ‘n Save location has been serving customers since 1995. Located at 2122 Troy Road in Edwardsville, the Shop ‘n Save In-store Center is open Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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Gateway Regional Hospice of Granite City is pleased to announce the expansion of the availability of their hospice services. Monroe and Randolph counties have been added to their existing service area of Bond, Clinton, Jersey, Macoupin, Madison, Montgomery and St. Clair counties. "We are excited about the addition of hospice care services to our existing home health services currently provided to the communities of Randolph and Monroe Counties," Angela Randla, Administrator of Gateway Regional Home Health & Hospice said. "Working side-by-side with the professionals of Gateway Home Health & Hospice over the years, I know first hand the incredible dedication and quality of care that our team provides. I look forward to continuing in that wonderful tradition in our new service areas."

Originally opened as Hospice of Madison County in October 1979, the program changed ownership in 2002 and became Gateway Regional Hospice, an affiliate of Gateway Regional Medical Center. This Fall will mark the 30th anniversary of the agency. Gateway Regional Hospice offers hospice care services to those facing life-limiting illness or injury. With an interdisciplinary team approach, hospice addresses comfort first through pain management, as well as expert medical care and emotional and spiritual support expressly tailored to the patient’s needs and wishes. Support services are provided to the patient’s loved ones, as well.

“Knowing that earlier admission to hospice has the potential to add, on average, 29 days to the life of a hospice patient is what fuels my passion in providing hospice care,” said Randla. She also stated that it is her hospice mission, “acting as partners in care with other community-based healthcare providers, to deliver excellent quality care and to support our hospice patients and families in their journey through the end-of-life stages.”

The Hospice interdisciplinary team consists of registered nurses, social workers, certified nurse assistants, therapists, chaplains, pharmacists, and volunteers, all under the supervision of Medical Director, Dr. Kevin Konzen.

For more information about Gateway Regional Home Health & Hospice, call (618) 798-3200. To find out more about the services available at Gateway Regional Medical Center, visit www.gatewayregional.net
FNB Opens Troy Location

First National Bank held a ribbon-cutting ceremony Thursday, July 30th, to celebrate the grand opening of their new building in Troy located on the corner of Hwy 162 and Bargraves Blvd. just east of I-55. The Troy staff includes Branch Manager Dave Gansner and loan officer Kim Meyers. First National Bank is based in Staunton with facilities located in Benld, Bethalto, Hamel, Holiday Shores, Livingston, Maryville, Mt. Olive, Troy, and Worden. You can also find them on the Web at www.fnbstaunton.com.

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Crushed Grapes Raises funds for JDRF, Encourages Participation in “Walk to Cure Diabetes”

Len Scaturro, owner of Crushed Grapes in Edwardsville, is hosting the 3rd Annual Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) Fundraiser at Crushed Grapes Friday, September 11 beginning at 4pm. The event was created after Len’s grandson, Parker, was diagnosed with juvenile diabetes.

Parker is a fun-loving child who doesn’t let his diabetes hinder anything he does – in fact, he plays multiple sports throughout the year and earns excellent grades even though he visits the nurse’s office five times each day for blood sugar monitoring.

You’re invited to attend the JDRF Fundraiser at Crushed Grapes September 11, walk in the JDRF “Walk to Cure Diabetes” on Sunday, October 4 at St. Louis’s Forest Park, or support JDRF by mailing a donation to: Parker’s Pitchers, 712 Lunch Road, Smithton, IL 62285.
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YMCA & Anderson Hospital Plan “Tri at the Y”

Edwardsville YMCA and Anderson Hospital have partnered to host a mini triathlon, introducing all ages and fitness levels to the excitement of a triathlon event. Tri at the Y will include a 150 meter swim, 5 mile bike ride and 1.5 mile run.

The event is scheduled for Sunday, September 27 at 8am at the Esic Center. Awards will be given for overall, relay, family relay and family team. All participants will receive a shirt available for pickup after September 19 at the Esic Center or on race day.

For registration information, please call the Edwardsville YMCA at 618.656.0436 or visit www.triatthey.org. To donate or volunteer, please contact Skip Schmidt at 618.655.1460.

Sunday at Sandy’s to Benefit Stephenson House

“The Taste of Downtown Edwardsville,” held at the Madison County Transit site, has been a popular and successful fundraiser for the Friends of Col. Benjamin Stephenson House, raising more than $50,000 for restoration, operations, and educational programming at the historic 1820 House.

This year the Friends have expanded upon “The Taste” concept to include many more independently owned local restaurants and merchants who will feature specialties of their choosing. Especially exciting is that the event has been moved to one of the area’s magnificent homes, Sandy Allen’s “Hunter’s View,” located north of Edwardsville on Route 159.

The event will take place Sunday, September 27, 2009 at the Allen residence in two groups: 11am–1pm and 2–4pm, with buses departing from TheBANK of Edwardsville.

Call the Stephenson House at 618.692.1818 for ticket information.

Library to Host “Date with Dewey” Event

The Edwardsville Public Library is hosting another “Date with Dewey” event on September 19 from 7:30 – 10:00 p.m. in the Library. Food from Bella Milano, wine from Crushed Grapes, music performed by Rick Haydon and his jazz group. They will auction vintage library chairs that have been decorated by local artists. Look for chairs on display around Edwardsville prior to the event. There will also be a silent auction of gift baskets. Tickets are $25 per person- available at the Library. Call 692-7556 for more information.
CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL’S CENTER FOR ADVANCED PULMONARY MEDICINE is Branching Out with New Technology

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ARTEAST Offers Studio Tour

Now in its 12th year, ARTEAST offers unique, behind-the-scenes, one-on-one visits with Madison County artists at work in their studios October 17 and 18, 11 AM-5 PM. Local painters, potters, jewelers, photographers, and others, will be showcasing their diverse works and answering questions about their inspiration and techniques: Small-town friendliness meets talented artists - all the charm of the city art scene, but with a lot less traffic.

ARTEAST is hosting 150 artists this year at 50 different sites spanning Madison County, including locations in Alton, Bethalto, Collinsville, Edwardsville, Glen Carbon, Godfrey, Granite City, Highland, and Maryville. However, you don’t have to drive many miles to see a good sampling of work: multiple sets of studios and galleries are in walking distance from each other. In Edwardsville, for example, you can park on Main Street and walk to nearly 12 sites.

In addition to many familiar ARTEAST favorites (Old Poag Road Clay & Glass, Lane’s End Pottery, Kathy Kamm’s studio, Towata Gallery, Alton Stained Glass Works, Edwardsville Art Center, Jeffrey Vaughn, and many more), 13 new/first-time sites will participate on the tour, including Villa Marie Winery, Springer’s Creek Winery, T.L. Biegert Jewelry & Art Gallery, Meyer Jewelry Studio 17, CMAX Photo, and By Design. Two new “artists-at-work” tour stops are Faye Malench’s fused glass studio and Alan Rhodes’s clay studio, “Cahokia Creatives”.

Jacoby Arts Center will host an ARTEAST preview exhibit “Small Works”, free of charge and open to the public, which will run from October 9 through November 15. Works will be offered for sale – it’s never too early to start your special-gift holiday shopping! The show will open on Friday evening, October 9, with a reception for the artists from 5-8 PM. The Jacoby is located at 627 E. Broadway in Alton, Illinois.

Please visit www.arteasttour.com to access downloadable maps. However, free site maps will be available at most locations October 17 and 18.

Golf Tourney to Support Father McGivney School

Knights of Columbus is hosting an inaugural golf tournament to support Father McGivney Catholic High School Friday, October 9, 2009, at Arlington Greens in Granite City. The fee is $100 per golfer or $400 per team. Registration begins at 8am with shotgun start at 9am. Download the registration form at www.frmcgivneyhs.com/GolfReg2009.pdf or call Mary Beth Wilson with questions at 618.344.2199.
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