Common Ground

It’s everyone’s business.
On August 21, 1979 Glen Carbon Walmart opened its doors. The store looked different back then. At that time, Walmart employed 100 associates and their building was 58,000 square feet.

Walmart soon became the destination for Glen Carbon and surrounding communities’ daily general merchandise needs. Customers saw the impact of their basic philosophy, ‘Everyday Low Price.’ Throughout the years our store and the community continued to grow and thrive.

In January 1997, Glen Carbon Walmart outgrew its original building and relocated next door with 129,000 square feet and 350 associates. Today Walmart continues to enjoy the benefits of a growing community. For over thirty-one years Glen Carbon Walmart has made an impact on the community by saving people money so they can live better. Walmart provides great customer service, a clean and safe shopping experience, and quality goods at low prices.

Walmart continues to provide community support, with over $30,000 going toward community grants and donations last year. The tax revenue generated for the area has improved our way of life within the community. Walmart’s presence has helped Glen Carbon/Edwardsville become a shopping destination with increased customer traffic to surrounding businesses. Glen Carbon Walmart enjoys every opportunity to be a great neighbor and provide for economic advancement to the Glen Carbon/Edwardsville Community.

Today, at Walmart, each day is about saving people money so they can live better.
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- First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust
- First National Bank - Maryville
- Fitness 4 Life Physical Therapy
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- Gateway Center
- Gateway Grizzlies
- Gerald Moving
- Gil's Department Store
- Groce Manor
- Hampton Inn & Suites
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- Holiday Inn Express
- Illinois Dept. of Employment Security
- Imaging Center of Southern Illinois
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- Joe's Pizza & Pasta
- Kentucky Fried Chicken
- Kitchenland
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- Masterpiece Smiles – Dr. Noll
- Mastroianori Orthodontics
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- Meridian View Family Dental
- Midwest Occupational Medicine
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- University Nursing & Rehabilitation
- USO of Missouri
- US Bank
- Valley View Cemetery, Mausoleum & Funeral Home
- WBGS Radio
- Wenzel & Associates

events

9/10 Friday
- YPG Golf Lessons w/ Mike Suhre
- Oak Brook Golf Club
- Edwardsville, IL 62025

9/15 Wednesday 4:30pm
- Ribbon Cutting
- L & N International Market
- 1719C Troy Road
- Edwardsville, IL 62025

9/16 Thursday 5-7pm
- Business After Hours
- Wang Gang
- 4 Club Centre Court
- Edwardsville, IL 62025

9/24 Friday 9am
- Annual Ed/Glen Chamber Golf Challenge at
- Oak Brook Golf Club
- 9157 Fruit Road
- Edwardsville, IL 62025

save the date

10/1-3 Fri/Sat/Sun
- Fallfest

10/5 Monday 7:30-9:30am
- YPG Learn from a Leader Breakfast with MCT's Jerry Kane
- First Clover Leaf Bank
- 2143 South IL Route 157
- Edwardsville, IL 62025

10/7 Thursday 6-7pm
- YPG Wine Class with Len Scaturro
- Crushed Grapes
- 1500 Troy Road
- Edwardsville, IL 62025

10/8 Friday 12-1pm
- networking@loin hosted by Southern Illinois Chiropractic Center
- Location TBD

10/10 Saturday 2pm
- Ground Breaking
- Metro East Lutheran
- High School Expansion
- 6305 Center Grove Road
- Edwardsville, IL 62025

10/26 Sunday 4pm
- Ribbon Cutting
- Open House Imaging Center
- 2016 Vadalabene Maryville, IL 62062

10/30 Thursday 5-7pm
- Business After Hours
- Royal Solutions
- 200 University Park Drive Ste 260
- Edwardsville, IL 62025

10/14 Thursday 5-7pm
- Business After Hours
- Sunset Hills Memorial Estates
- 50 Fountain Drive
- Glen Carbon, IL 62034

10/15 Friday 8-10:30am
- SIUE Day
- Morris University Center

10/27 Wednesday 5-7pm
- ChamberNET
- Gateway Center
- One Gateway Drive
- Collinsville, IL 62234

10/28 Thursday 5-7pm
- Business After Hours
- RE/MAX Preferred Partners
- at Stone Cliff Manor

10/31 Sunday 6:30pm
- Annual Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce Halloween Parade
- Downtown Edwardsville
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 6pm. Entry fee is $5 for Chamber members and $15 for non-members. This is an excellent networking opportunity!

9/16  Thursday  5–7pm
Wang Gang Asian Eats ‘N’ Beats
4 Club Centre Court in Edwardsville

9/30  Thursday  5–7pm
Royal Solutions LLC
200 University Park Drive, Suite 260 in Edwardsville
From The Desk of Carol Foreman

With two record breaking events, August was a successful month for the Chamber. On August 23 a great crowd of elected officials and guests mingled at our Seventh Annual Meet & Greet Your Elected Officials event. Thanks to Glen Carbon Centennial Library for providing a beautiful Meet & Greet venue, and to the attorneys of Sandberg Phoenix & von Gontard P.C. for sponsoring the event.

The 11th Annual Edwardsville Block Party was held Friday, August 27 in downtown Edwardsville to welcome SIUE students to town. The Chamber hosts a beer tent at Block Party each year, with 100% of proceeds supporting the Chamber’s scholarship fund. I am pleased to announce record beer sales at the 2010 Block Party, more than double the funds raised in 2009. Thank you to everyone who stopped by to enjoy a cold beer, and my sincerest thanks to the dedicated team of volunteers who helped – your efforts made the evening a huge success.

Also in August, I had the pleasure of one-on-one meetings with many local restaurateurs. I appreciate that these busy chefs and restaurant owners were willing to take time out of their busy schedules to meet with me. The information I collected will be used in our forthcoming Ed/Glen Visitors’ Guide, and will also help guide our shop local effort. It was encouraging to hear that our local restaurants are doing well and are having success with drawing diners from throughout the region. From these meetings came ideas on how the Chamber might play an expanded role in helping Edwardsville and Glen Carbon become even more well known as a dining destination.

Moving into September, we’re working toward three major upcoming events: the Annual Ed/Glen Chamber Golf Challenge, held at Oak Brook Golf Club Friday, September 24 (www.edglengolfchallenge.com); our Second Annual Community-Wide Fallfest, October 1–3 (www.edglenfallfest.com); and the Annual Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce Halloween Parade, scheduled for 6:30pm Sunday, October 31 (www.edglenhalloween.com). Visit the event-specific Web sites to learn more about our fall events and how you can get involved – I hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Carol Foreman, Executive Director
October 1–3, 2010

www.edglenfallfest.com

Shred Fest
9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday, October 9, 2010
Edwardsville Banking Center, 2496 Troy Road
in front of the Home Depot®
Bring up to 10 boxes of your documents and we’ll shred them for you.
It’s the perfect way to properly dispose of sensitive papers.*

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When diabetes made my life a roller coaster, Christian got me back on solid ground.

At Christian Hospital, we’re passionate about the health and wellness of our community. In fact, we don’t just want to treat conditions like diabetes, stroke and heart attack, we want to help prevent them. That’s why we’ve launched a new website full of information, free screening and event schedules – plus even a few surprises:

ChristianCares.org

Because whether it’s helping one neighbor learn to manage her diabetes or helping thousands learn how to avoid it, we’re dedicated to improving everyone’s quality of life.
2010 Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber Golf Challenge
Friday, September 24 at Oak Brook Golf Club

Deadline for registration is September 17. No refunds after September 20. Payment must accompany registration.

Name________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

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_____ We would like to sponsor at the ___________________________ level at $________________________

_____ Please reserve _______________foursome(s) at $420 each. Names are listed below.

_____ Please reserve _______________twosome(s) at $230 each. Names are listed below.

_____ Please reserve _______________individual ticket(s) at $125 each. Place me with a team.

_____ I would like to participate in the skins game at $20 per team.

_____ I would like to purchase mulligans at $20 per team.

Please list names below, with team captain’s name and e-mail address listed as “Player 1”:

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: __________________________________________

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

Tournament Includes
• 18 holes of tournament golf with cart at Oak Brook Golf Club
• Unlimited use of driving range and putting green
• Attendance prizes for all golfers
• Golfer gift bags
• Par 3 games
• Hole in One contest
• Lunch & beverages on the course
• Dinner

Team Fee Lowered by $180!

www.edglengolfchallenge.com

Proceeds to Benefit Chamber of Commerce Community Programs & Activities
# Golf Challenge Sponsorships

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

*Information must be received by September 10 to guarantee full benefits. Payment must accompany registration.*

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<td>• Exclusive event sponsor&lt;br&gt;• Welcome message at reception&lt;br&gt;• 2 teams (4 players/team plus carts)&lt;br&gt;• Separate corporate logo display&lt;br&gt;• Tables available to advertise, pass out gifts &amp; interact with participants&lt;br&gt;• 2 Hole Sponsorships&lt;br&gt;• Full-page color ad in Golf Challenge program&lt;br&gt;• Certificate for full-page color ad in <em>Common Ground</em> (Chamber newsletter)</td>
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<td><strong>President’s Circle</strong></td>
<td>• 1 team (4 players/team plus carts)&lt;br&gt;• Tables available to advertise, pass out gifts &amp; interact with participants&lt;br&gt;• 1 Hole Sponsorship&lt;br&gt;• Quarter-page color ad in Golf Challenge program&lt;br&gt;• Certificate for quarter-page color ad in <em>Common Ground</em> (Chamber newsletter)</td>
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<td><strong>Golf Cart Sponsors</strong></td>
<td>• Limited to four businesses&lt;br&gt;• Company logo on front of all cart signs&lt;br&gt;• Sign at registration area before and during Golf Challenge&lt;br&gt;• Eighth-page black and white ad in Golf Challenge program&lt;br&gt;• Certificate for eighth-page color ad in <em>Common Ground</em> (Chamber newsletter)</td>
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<td>• Exclusive sponsorship&lt;br&gt;• Sole sponsor sign in practice green area before &amp; during Golf Challenge&lt;br&gt;• Use as an opportunity to pass out golf balls or gifts, or visit with golfers&lt;br&gt;• Honor of delivering prize for low score on putting contest during awards ceremony</td>
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<td>• Limited to two businesses (front nine or back nine holes)&lt;br&gt;• Company logo on front of all score cards&lt;br&gt;• Sign at registration area before and during Golf Challenge&lt;br&gt;• Eighth-page black and white ad in Golf Challenge program&lt;br&gt;• Certificate for eighth-page color ad in <em>Common Ground</em> (Chamber newsletter)</td>
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<td>• Limited to two businesses&lt;br&gt;• Sign at grill area before &amp; during Golf Challenge&lt;br&gt;• Signs on beverage carts &amp; beverage centers throughout the course&lt;br&gt;• Tables available to advertise, pass out gifts &amp; interact with participants</td>
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<td>• Limited to six businesses&lt;br&gt;• Signage at tee box and green</td>
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<td>• 1 Hole Sponsorship (sign provided by Chamber)&lt;br&gt;• Tables available to advertise, pass out gifts &amp; interact with participants&lt;br&gt;• Eighth-page black and white ad in Golf Challenge program&lt;br&gt;• Certificate for quarter-page color ad in <em>Common Ground</em> (Chamber newsletter)</td>
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<td><strong>All Sponsorships Include:</strong></td>
<td>• Logo/listing in all Golf Challenge programs, Web site &amp; <em>Common Ground</em>&lt;br&gt;• Acknowledgement during awards ceremony</td>
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**Prize Donation**

- Donate a door prize or contest prize (value of approximately $25–$100)
- Recognition in dinner program and *Common Ground* (Chamber newsletter)
Glik’s, established in 1897, is a family business that caters to the whole family. Their store focuses on the 18–35 age range and carries men’s and women’s apparel, including the latest LA fashion mixed with brand name surf and skate wear.

Since moving to their new location in February 2009, Glik’s has seen many new customers along with loyal familiar faces. “We are glad to provide our community with a place they can get quality, name-brand clothes close to home,” said Angela Bruening, Area Manager with Glik’s.

Angela has been a part of the Edwardsville community her whole life, and she began working for Glik’s fresh out of high school. “Glik’s prides itself on its role and influence in the community since 1897 – I am happy to be a part of it!” said Angela.

Angela’s favorite quote represents her perspective on doing business: “Love it, wear it, sell it!” The mantra is used by Glik’s to encourage employees to wear clothing from Glik’s and show off their trendy fashions.

The Edwardsville Glik’s store is managed by Kristin Krebs. Glik’s is located at 124 South Buchanan. Visit the store, call Glik’s at 618.655.0084 or go to www.gliks.com to learn more.
upcoming YPG events

9/10  Friday  
Golf Lessons with Mike Suhre  
Oak Brook Golf Club  9157 Fruit Road in Edwardsville

10/5  Tuesday  7:30–9:30am  
Learn from a Leader Breakfast with Jerry Kane of MCT  
First Clover Leaf Bank  2143 South IL Route 157 in Edwardsville

10/7  Thursday  
Wine Education with Len Scaturro  
Crushed Grapes  1500 Troy Road in Edwardsville

11/16 Tuesday  12–1pm  
Speed Networking  
GC Cuisine  1230 University Drive in Edwardsville

ABOVE: YPG members and guests picked up trash along a 2.5 mile section of Madison County Transit’s Nature and Goshen Trails on Thursday, August 26 as part of a new philanthropic initiative for the group.

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville is one of the most beautiful campuses in the country, with more than 2,600 acres of rolling hills, woodlands and lakes. That’s only the beginning of what sets SIUE apart. Our students can choose from a wide variety of degree and certificate programs in academic areas ranging from the performing arts to engineering to health sciences. At SIUE, we offer an education with the power to match your dreams. It’s just one more way the e equals excellence.

Learn more about the power of e. Call 800-447-SIUE or log on to siue.edu.
Ed/Glen Halloween Parade October 31

The Annual Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Halloween Parade is scheduled for the evening of Sunday, October 31 in downtown Edwardsville. This year’s theme is Harvest Homefest.

Applications are available at www.edglenhalloween.com. The deadline to register an entry in the parade is Monday, October 11.

This year, the Chamber has introduced Halloween Parade sponsorship packages: $5,000 Spooktacular Presenting Sponsor, $2,500 Grand Ghost Major Event Sponsor, $1,000 Great Pumpkin Sponsor, $500 Headless Horseman Sponsor, and $250 Wealthy Witch Sponsor. Go to www.edglenhalloween.com to download a PDF with detailed sponsorship package information.

Promote your business in the Halloween Parade!

• $5,000 Spooktacular Presenting Sponsor
• $2,500 Grand Ghost Major Event Sponsor
• $1,000 Great Pumpkin Sponsor
• $500 Headless Horseman Sponsor
• $250 Wealthy Witch Sponsor

Download Sponsorship Package Information at www.edglenhalloween.com
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Meet & Greet
Your Elected Officials
schmooze
business after hours

Anderson Hospital, August 5

Regions Bank, August 19

Neruda & BPW, September 2

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Regions Bank, August 19

Neruda & BPW, September 2
ribbon cuttings

World Finance Corp., August 12

Regions Bank, August 19

Grace Manor Restaurant, August 25

The Cup, August 31

5 Ways to See Your Business in Common Ground

1. Purchase Advertising
2. Write an “Ask the Expert” Column
3. Submit an Announcement
4. Win Our Business of the Month Award
5. Come to Chamber Events!
During the 2009-10 academic year, 552 students participated in a co-op program, earning discounts to Alumni Association events and regional businesses that offer them. Nearly 11,000 SIUE graduates call St. Clair County, Illinois home. More than 85,000 graduates live within 50 miles of the University.

The SIUE Alumni Association is in partnership with more than 40 local and regional businesses who offer discounts to Alumni Association members. During the 2009-10 academic year, 552 students participated in a co-op or internship through the Career Development Center. 92 percent of employers rated participating co-op/internship students as either Outstanding or Very Good.

SIUE has produced more than 85,000 graduates. More than 43,000 of those graduates live within 50 miles of the University. More than 19,000 of those alumni live in Madison County, Illinois. Nearly 11,000 SIUE graduates call St. Clair County, Illinois home.

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First Clover Leaf Bank
Community Events

First Clover Leaf Bank’s 10th Annual Coats for Kids Drive starts September 20 and runs through October 9. They are accepting donations of either new or gently used clean coats. Monetary donations toward their drive are being accepted to purchase new coats. The coats will be distributed to those in need throughout the surrounding school districts and other charitable organizations. A list of drop off locations closest to you can be found at www.firstcloverleafbank.com/home/about/community. Please mail monetary donations to P.O. Box 540, Edwardsville, IL 62025. Contact Dianne 618.656.6122 with any questions. The children appreciate your generosity.

The Visiting Nurses Association will give flu shots Thursday, September 30 from 10am–2pm at the St. Louis Street location, 300 St. Louis Street in Edwardsville. Shots are available to the public for $30. Get the shot, not the flu!

Hospice of Southern IL, Legion to Host SmashBash

Hospice of Southern Illinois and American Legion Post 199 present SmashBash, Concert for the Cause Friday, October 8, 2010. Bring your family and friends to listen to The Smash Band while you enjoy various food items from one of our food vendors, participate in contests, bid on silent auction items and take a chance to win one of several prizes. Doors open at 6pm, band plays 6:30–10:30pm.

SmashBash is a free outdoor concert – bring lawn chairs. In case of inclement weather, the event will be moved indoors with limited seating. No outside food or drink – all must be purchased at the event.

For more information, see smashbashforhospice.com or contact Kathy at 618.235.1703 or kwilson@hospice.org.
The Chinese Have Landed…
at MidAmerica St. Louis Airport!

August 26 marked a milestone day for MidAmerica St. Louis Airport (BLV) in Mascoutah, IL. A cargo flight from Shanghai Pudong International Airport (PVG) in China landed that afternoon carrying 83 tons of cargo. Another purpose of the flight was to complete all the procedures, communications and logistics coordination required for a long-term air commerce trade route into MidAmerica from China and back again. This arriving cargo is being trucked to Chicago, Dallas, Minneapolis, New York area, and Atlanta for further distribution.

With the success of this first flight, regular air cargo service from Asia to MidAmerica St. Louis Airport is expected to begin in the 4th quarter of this year! This is great news for the entire St. Louis region.

This new trade route is six years in the making, starting back in 2004 when the Airport and St. Clair County, IL officials began working to lay the necessary foundation to attract international air cargo into the St. Louis region.

In 2005, the air cargo terminal was completed on the ramp and 3,600 acres of the Airport’s 6,000 acres became part of Foreign Trade Zone #31.

In 2006, the Airport was named a U.S. Customs-Port of Entry (#4581) and then received their first international air cargo shipment from South America.

In 2008, the Airport completed refrigeration capability and began welcoming regular flights from Latin America carrying fresh flowers, produce and herbs, along with pharmaceuticals and other perishable air freight.

With The Boeing Company set to convert the entire existing cargo building into manufacturing space, the Airport will be building another cargo facility to host the perishables, as well as general cargo, in order to facilitate existing and future international air cargo operations.
Ed-Glen Families: Connecting Families & Communities

For several months, over 500 local families in the greater Edwardsville-Glen Carbon area have been linking to ed-glen families on Facebook and Twitter to receive daily updates on everything from where kids eat free that day to reminders of sign-up deadlines for a host of family programs, charitable events, and much more. Over 400 people receive the ed-glen families monthly e-newsletter.

Ed-glen families is pleased to announce that its comprehensive Web site is live and ready to provide the community with information on local events, resources, savings and helpful articles and links for families. In addition, the site will be featuring celebrations for family and community events including birthdays, graduations, open houses, parades, weddings, and more – all free of charge.

Advertising on the site is affordable for any business with special 3-month promotional pricing ranging from only $79-139/month – and Chamber members will receive an additional 5% discount! Resource links are $99/year and $149/year with a coupon. For more information on advertising, e-mail advertising@edglenfamilies.org. If your company is hosting a family-friendly event or you have a celebration to post, contact: www.edglenfamilies.org.

Ed-glen families is your “go-to site” for families in the greater Edwardsville/Glen Carbon area!
It’s our Birthday!

Royal Solutions, LLC has been helping Small & Medium Businesses leverage emerging technologies to grow their bottom line for the past 10 years!

Please join us for our Birthday celebration when we host the Business After Hours on September 30th.

Where: 200 University Park Drive • Suite 260
When: 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

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IT Services for Small Business
200 University Park Drive • Suite 260 | Edwardsville, Illinois 62025 | (618) 307.9191
TheBANK Collecting Cell Phones for Recycling

If you have ever wondered what to do with your used or broken cell phones, TheBANK of Edwardsville has the answer.

To help divert some of one-million cell phones that end up in landfills in the metro east each year, TheBANK of Edwardsville is collecting used cell phones at its banking centers in Madison and St. Clair counties for recycling.

A partnership with Somtech Recycling of Alton, TheBANK of Edwardsville will collect used and damaged cell phones at each of its locations, with the exception of its in store Shop-n-Save Banking Center and Cougar Banking Center at SIUE. A complete listing of TheBANK of Edwardsville’s locations in Madison and St. Clair counties may be found at www.4thebank.com. Collection bins are located in the main lobby area of each of TheBANK of Edwardsville’s participating banking centers.

Stuart Somlar, owner of Somtech Recycling, Inc., said “150 million cell phones reach life capacity each year and only five percent of them are disposed of properly. If cell phones and other electronics were recycled in the proper way, there would be an abundant supply of resources available for the creation of new devices.”

“There are also obvious environmental benefits to recycling cell phones,” says Nikki Turner, Community Relations Coordinator for TheBANK of Edwardsville. “The more we all can do to eliminate waste that is collected in area landfills the better we will be at serving as stewards of the land for generations to come. TheBANK of Edwardsville is proud to do our part and will continue to look for ways to improve our environment with area partners such as Somtech Recycling.”

Somtech Recycling Inc. is a family-operated business located in Alton, Ill. The company strives to become the driving force in the eWaste disposal movement in the St. Louis metropolitan area with plans for recycling cell phones, computers and other electronic equipment. For more information about Somtech Recycling, Inc. or for sponsorship information, please call 618.593.2981. You may also follow Somtech Recycling on Facebook for updates on recycling efforts.

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Watershed Nature Center Seeks Donations, Support

The Watershed is a 46-acre nature preserve that provides nature education and passive recreation for the community. Over the last 4 years, more than 8,500 students have experienced nature first hand at our facility. Many local kids enjoy wading into the wetlands to perform pond investigations; adults enjoy the peace and serenity they discover while walking our one-mile nature trail through three native habitats. In addition the Watershed provides free or low-cost workshops on a wide range of topics such as wildflowers, birds, toads, and stars.

Watershed Nature Center’s symbiotic relationships with the City of Edwardsville and University of Illinois Extension service provide some maintenance and education support, but they rely on donations to continue enhancing their community and programs. Donations will make it possible for Watershed to continue providing nature education and passive recreation in the coming years. Contact 618.692.7578 or watershed@cityofedwardsville.com to inquire.

Stephenson House Announces 50/50 Auction

The 1820 Col. Benjamin Stephenson House is calling all neighbors asking for donations for the Annual 50/50 Auction. Items should be received by Friday, October 1, 2010.

Anyone wishing to donate items can contact Sid Denny (656.9408) or Jim Zupanci (656.8752) to arrange drop-off or pick-up times. Donors can donate items at either 50 percent or 100 percent donation. If donors choose to donate at 100 percent, the item(s) can be eligible for a tax deduction. Because the Stephenson House is paying auctioneer fees at 15% profit, donors donating at 50% will receive 50% after auctioneer fees.

The Annual 50/50 Auction will be held on Sunday, October 3 at the Stephenson House located at 409 S. Buchanan in Edwardsville. The auction will start at 9am and will end when all items are auctioned.

The auction, now on its ninth year, has been a popular event in years past. Proceeds from the auction will go toward the continued restoration of the house and toward educational programs sponsored by the house.

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Louer Joins SIUE Athletic Advisory Committee

Jane Louer, president of Louer Facility Planning, has been invited to serve on the SIUE Athletic Advisory Committee. She received her Masters of Business Administration from SIUE and was chosen for her interest and support for the SIUE athletic groups.

The goals of the Athletic Advisory Committee are to “assist the Athletics Department with providing community insight, forecasting potential challenges and developing strategies to meet those challenges, solving financial and other concerns that may arise and supplying advice, guidance and potential opportunities toward integrating the Department and its student athletes into worthwhile community initiatives and service.” For more information about SIUE Athletic Programs, or to become involved, contact Todd Garzarelli, Assistant Athletic Director, at 618.650.2871.

Louer is founder and CEO of Louer Facility Planning, a commercial furniture and interior design firm that provides furnishings, space planning and finish selections for healthcare, corporate, government, education and financial environments. Visit www.louerplan.com to learn more.
Grace Manor Welcomes Executive Chef

Grace Manor Restaurant Debra Geggus is excited to announce the arrival of Grace Manor’s first executive chef, Axel France. Axel, a Kentucky native, graduated from L’École Culinaire in 2007. He previously worked at Cardwell’s at the Plaza, Harvest Market Seasonal Cuisine, Frank Papa’s Ristorante, Jimmy’s Café on the Park, and Terrace View at Citygarden.

"When Axel came in for his interview, I could immediately tell that he was a natural – quick, efficient, professional and focused, very serious about his craft," said Debra. After gaining years of valuable work experience in St. Louis, Axel jumped at the opportunity to head up the team at Grace Manor. He was attracted to the unique ambience, and the challenge of strategically transitioning Grace Manor from a tea room to a full service restaurant was appealing.

"It’s important to be as well rounded as possible in the kitchen. I have experience as an executive sous chef, but I also have experience with money management, time management and people skills. Cooking ability is only about 25% of what it takes to make it in this business – you have to be able to cook, but you also have to understand how to run a business and interact well with people," Axel explained. When asked about his cooking style, "I cook from the heart. No cookbooks or Internet recipes. I like to create understandable food that’s not intimidating, with a focus on flavor and presentation."

Debra and Axel share a similar vision for Grace Manor Restaurant, and implementation has already begun. Starting the week of September 21, Grace Manor will introduce dinner hours – Tuesday through Thursday until 9pm and Friday/Saturday until 10pm. This coincides with the introduction of the new fall lunch and dinner menu. The dinner menu will include steak filet, sea scallops, and pork ribs, along with pre fixe and smaller plates from the twilight menu, and salads and soups from the lunch menu.

To learn more, go to www.gracemanorrestaurant.com, call 618.655.0650, or stop by 1801 North Main Street in Edwardsville for a delicious meal.

Carey Elected to Leadership Academy

Apollo D. Carey, of Sandberg Phoenix & von Gontard P.C., has been elected to the Leadership Academy of the Missouri Bar. The Leadership Academy elects young or recently admitted Missouri attorneys for leadership positions in the Missouri Bar. Academy participants are nominated by attorneys, their firms or coworkers, and local or specialty bars.

Apollo is currently an associate at Sandberg Phoenix. He practices general corporate and business law with a focus in the areas of federal tax law, state and local tax law, commercial real estate transactions, executive compensation, employee benefits, mergers & acquisitions, and business operation/organization.

Throughout their 30 year history, Sandberg Phoenix has developed into one of the premier full-service law firms in Missouri and Illinois. Their success is dedicated to the attorneys who founded Sandberg Phoenix in 1979, most of whom are still with the firm today. With their vision and leadership, the firm has grown to 65 attorneys and nearly 100 staff members dedicated to delivering seriously unbelievable client service®.
Leclaire Parkfest
Vendors Needed

Friends of Leclaire is now accepting vendor applications for the 19th annual Leclaire Parkfest to be held Sunday, October 17 from 12–5pm at Leclaire Lake Park in Edwardsville.

A fall festival celebrating the history of the Leclaire National Historic District, Leclaire Parkfest features live music (Dixieland Jazz and old time folk music), narrated trolley tours of the historic district, a large book fair, pony rides, children’s activities, plus many festival booths. Food booths, arts & crafts, games and informational booths are all part of the event. No commercial vendors are permitted at the festival where not-for-profit organizations and individual artisans are encouraged to apply.

Vendor applications and information are available on the Friends of Leclaire Web site at www.historic-leclaire.org or by calling Cindy Reinhardt at 618.656.1294.
Associated Bank Provides SBA Loan to Back and Neck Pain Center

Associated Bank recently announced it has provided a Small Business Administration (SBA) loan to Back and Neck Pain Center of Glen Carbon, Illinois. The loan will be used to increase the firm’s working capital.

Back and Neck Pain Center is a chiropractic orthopedic practice that specializes in sports injuries and family care. The practice was established in 1996 by Timothy A. Peck, D.C. and has four employees. For more information about Back and Neck Pain Center, you can call 618.692.9100.

"Associated Bank is committed to working with small businesses in our communities because we recognize the important role they have in creating jobs and driving economic growth. We were pleased to work with the Back and Neck Pain Center to obtain the SBA loan and help them further expand their practice," said Chris Davis, Senior Bank Manager of Associated Bank’s Glen Carbon branch office.

"In the 13 years I have practiced in Glen Carbon, I have worked with many local and regional banks, said Dr. Timothy Peck. I am so impressed with Associated Bank and Chris Davis and their willingness to go to bat for a local small business like mine, especially in today’s economic climate. They just get the job done and have been able to handle all of my lending needs."

Associated Bank was the No. 5 lender in Illinois in 2009, moving up from No. 9 in 2008, and was the 13th largest SBA lender in the U.S. More than 640 jobs were created and retained in 2009 as a result of Associated Bank SBA loans in Illinois.

Associated Bank is part of Associated Banc-Corp (NASDAQ: ASBC), a diversified bank holding company with total assets of $23 billion. Headquartered in Green Bay, Wisconsin, Associated has 290 banking offices serving approximately 160 communities in Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Illinois. Associated offers a full range of traditional banking services and a variety of other financial products and services. More information about Associated Banc-Corp is available at www.AssociatedBank.com.
Golf Tournaments

Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce will hold its Annual Golf Challenge Friday, September 24 at Oak Brook Golf Club. Go to www.edglengolfchallenge.com to download registration and sponsorship information. Deadline to enter a team is September 17.

The Lincoln School Alumni Foundation will hold their 20th Annual Harry A. Penelton Golf Scramble Friday, September 11 at Oak Brook Golf Club. The fee is $85 per person. Call Bill at 618.656.0478 for more information.

Eden Village Retirement Community will hold a golf scramble Friday, October 8 at Oak Brook Golf Club. Entry fee is $75/golfer or $300/team. Call 618.205.4637 to register.

NAMI Plans Walk

National Alliance on Mental Illness Southwestern Illinois (formerly just of Madison County) announces their 7th annual Walk for Mental Health. The event will be October 2nd at the Tri-Township Park in Troy, Illinois. Check-in is at 9am and the Walk begins at 10am. Each walker that contributes $10 will receive a colorful T-shirt but all are welcomed to come Walk.

The event will feature informational tables, face painting, speakers, and a visit by the adopted mascot Llamas from Llamas of Wier World courtesy of Jack and Julie Wier of Fairview Heights. According to Walk chairperson Rita Watters “the Llama was adopted by our affiliate as our mascot as they have a very caring nature and they are called upon to carry the load for others.”

Watters went on to say that corporate sponsors and Walkers are still needed. NAMI SWI provides education, training, advocacy, and support groups for persons with mental illness and their families. All programs are free of charge. For more information or to register contact Mark Rudolph at 618.798.9788. Come Walk with the Llamas!
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