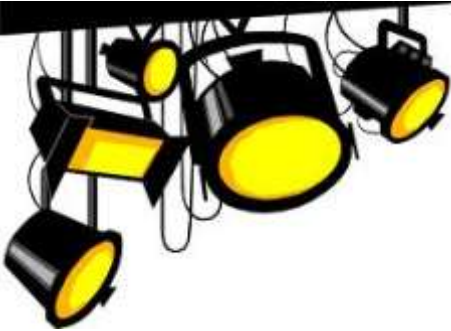


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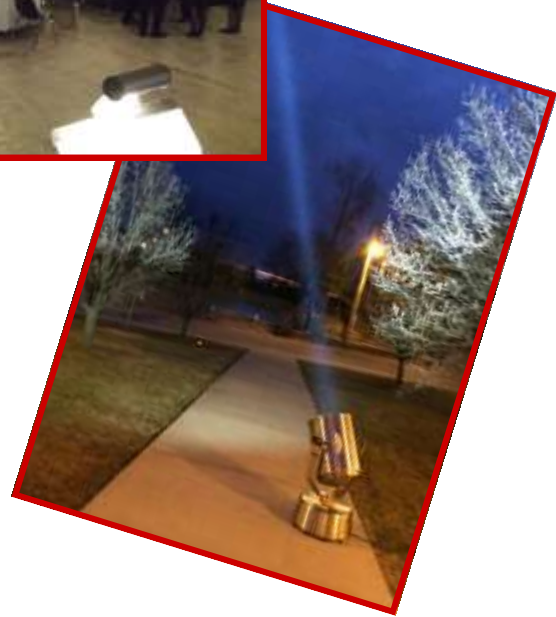
Industry Spotlight



Briggs & Stratton Corporation with its headquarters in Milwaukee, Wisconsin is the world's largest manufacturer of air cooled gasoline engines. Briggs started in 1908 as an informal partnership between Stephen F. Briggs and Harold M. Stratton. Briggs started production locally in 1989, with approximately 175 jobs and now employs approximately 1050 people. This October will mark their 25th anniversary in Poplar Bluff. Locally, they manufacture the E Series, Quantum, & Professional Series engines and have the largest die cast operation in the company, melting over 75 million pounds per year. Since the plant opening in 1989 they have manufactured almost 75 million engines. On February 17 Briggs & Stratton celebrated their \$8 million Phase 1 project (\$36 million total) involving extensive remodeling and the moving of machines from the west production facility into the main plant. Briggs total manufacturing and warehousing footprint in Poplar Bluff is now over 500,000 sq. ft. Throughout the years Briggs has played a significant role in helping with nonprofit organizations such as the Boys & Girls Club, UCAN, the PB Chamber, sponsoring the local 4th of July fireworks and much more. They are also a big supporter of St. Jude Children's Hospital. Michelle Shelton, Briggs Human Resources, currently serves on the Chamber and Poplar Bluff Industries Board of Directors. "Plant Manager Mark Melloy has done an outstanding job leading a great team of people locally for many years now. Poplar Bluff is blessed to have his leadership and a great company like Briggs & Stratton driving economic growth in our area," Steve Halter, Chamber President.

76th Annual Chamber Banquet

"A Night on the Red Carpet"





Top: Doug Bagby receiving the 2014 Citizen of the Year Award.

Right: Silent auction tables.

Left: Debby Norris receives the Ambassador of the Year Award.

Bottom: Gateway to Leadership graduates receive award for completion of program.



Keeping Customers Seminar



Glenn Shepard Seminar



St. Patrick's Day Trivia



1st Place Southern Bank



2nd Place Lion's Club



3rd Place Stinson Press



Thank you to our AWESOME Judges!



Gateway To Leadership



Teacher of the Year



Three Rivers College On the Move!



Ground Breaking & Dirt Work for the Humanities and Social Sciences Building



Ground Breaking & Ribbon Cutting for the New Softball Club House



Ground Breaking for the Future New Entrance of Three Rivers College

Fastest growing Community College of 2014!!

The Greater Poplar Bluff Area Chamber of Commerce
& Collegiate DECA's

Merchants Showcase





First Friday Coffees



Redneck Racks & Reels
Nov 1st



First Community Bank
Dec 6



Smith & Company
March 14th



♥♥ I LOVE COFFEE ♥♥



Dullenty Chiropractic
April 4th



Ozark Sports Plex
Jan 3rd



Hi-Tech Fire Protection
Feb 7th

*The next First Friday Coffee will be Friday, June 6th at
Butler County Title Company
2911 N. Westwood Blvd.*



Ribbon Cuttings



Fit Room
March 11th



Essential Trained Care
March 26th



Butler County EMA
April 10th



Child Concern Center
April 11th



JAC Roofing
April 15th



Myatts Emporium
April 17th



Butler County EMS
April 22nd





Ribbon Cuttings



New Leaf Flowers
Nov 1st



Stand Still
Nov 5th



VNA
Nov 6th



Rainbow Rocks
Dec 5th



Sweet Revenge
Jan 21st



AT&T
Jan 30th



Regions Bank
Jan 31st



Serenity Spa
Feb 7th



Briggs & Stratton
Feb 17th

THE MAGAZINE OF THE MISSOURI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

MISSOURI BUSINESS



Is your company a great place to work?

Then make it official!

Why Enter?

Surveys show that great workplaces attract more qualified applicants and enjoy lower turnover and higher productivity. Winners of this inaugural Best Places to Work in Missouri will receive statewide recognition and receive a plaque that can be displayed in the workplace.

DEADLINE MAY 31, 2014

The November edition of Missouri Business Magazine will feature the 2014 Best Places to Work Awards, presented by the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Moresource, the Society of Human Resource Management and the University of Missouri.

The awards are designed to recognize some of the best workplaces in the state. Five businesses will be featured in the special edition of Missouri Business. The winning companies also will be recognized in our first-ever celebration of outstanding workplaces during the 2014 Best Places to Work Conference to be held at the Reynolds Alumni Center at the University of Missouri-Columbia on October 23, 2014. The conference will feature some of Missouri's best human resource professionals, speaking on a wide-range of subjects that will help companies attract and hire a highly productive workforce.

To qualify for an award, you must have been operating for five or more years, have more than 25 employees (excluding family members), and be based in Missouri. Winners will be decided by a distinguished statewide panel.



Upcoming Chamber Events May - July 2014

May 21st	Ribbon Cutting for Integrated Physical Therapy	2166 North Westwood Blvd.
May 26th	Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting	Hobby Lobby
June 3rd	Ribbon Cutting for Modern Woodmen of America	1910 10A Greenwood Drive
June 6th	First Friday Coffee Butler County Title Company	North Westwood Blvd.
June 9th	Ribbon Cutting for The Bank of Missouri	1465 North Westwood Blvd.
June 19th	Industrial Outing	Ozark Ridge Golf Course
June 25th	Media Appreciation Day	Chamber of Commerce
July 11th	First Friday Coffee Larry Hillis Dodge	3211 North Westwood Blvd.

For more information on these events and others log onto our website,
www.PoplarBluffChamber.org

*The Greater Poplar Bluff Area
Chamber of Commerce
is proud to recognize our
TIME HONORED MEMBERS.
These members renewed their
investment November 1st - April 30th.*

40-60 Years

Bob Sutton Real Estate & Loans
Commerce Bank
Dille's Pharmacy, Inc.
Drury Inn
General Baptist Headquarters
Hardee's/Fazoli's Restaurants
Kraft, Miles & Tatum
Meek's Building Center
Missouri Natural Gas Company
Municipal Utilities & City Cable
Poplar Bluff Electric Supply
Poplar Bluff Monument Works
Poplar Bluff Winnelson
Smith & Company
Southern Bank
US Bank
Whitworth's Gift Chest Jewelers

30-39 Years

Casey's Plumbing
Coldwell Banker Ruth Holloway Realty
Edmundson, Richardson, Innes & Warren
Jerry Long OD
Westwood Hills Health & Rehabilitation
Center

21-29 Years

Aldi, Inc.
Allen Chiropractic Wellness Center
American Cancer Society
Baldwin Ford Lincoln Toyota Scion
Bill & Gene's Rental Center
Briggs & Stratton Corporation
Brown Window Inc.
Buffington Brothers Heating & Cooling
Casey's General Stores, Inc.
Coffman & Company
Dorris Plumbing & Mechanical, Inc.
First United Methodist Church
Hefner Furniture & Appliances
Home Care Equipment, Inc
Jim Wolpers - Individual
Larry Hillis Dodge
Metalweld, Inc.
Michael Price DDS
Mid-Continent Steel & Wire
Mills Iron Supply
Pearle Vision
Poplar Bluff R-1 School District
Raben Tire Company, Inc
Reeves Roofing Company
Republic Services, Inc.
River Mist Assisted Living
Starting USA Corporation
Susan McVey State Farm Insurance
US Army Corps of Engineers

Time Honored Members

10-20 Years

KFVS - TV
 Ashley Furniture Home Store
 Black River Medical Center
 Bluff Travel Agency
 Boys & Girls Club of PB
 Butler County Health Dept.
 Butler County Muscle Therapy Clinic
 C&F Auto Salvage
 Camelot RV Campground
 Castello's Restaurant
 Cedargate
 Century 21 American Realty
 Dairel L. Denton & Associates
 Decota Electric Supply
 Dille & Traxel LLC
 ESI.comm
 Eye Care Specialists, LLC
 Factory Connection, LLC
 Fellowship General Baptist Church
 Gilmore Tire Center, Inc
 Hobbs Nursery & Greenhouse
 John O. Wood Psy.D.
 John Scott Attorney at Law
 Judge John Howard Bloodworth
 KAJACS Contractors, Inc.
 L & M Manufacturing Co.
 La Boutique
 Leta Whiteley, Individual
 Little, Schellhammer, Richardson, Knowlan
 Long John Silvers/A&W
 Manufacturers Assistance Group
 Margaret Harwell Art Museum
 Nathan Maurer, Poplar Bluff Realty
 Nordyne, Inc.
 Paul Arnold, Coldwell Banker
 People's Community Bank
 Pinkston Excavating, LLC
 Poplar Bluff Realty
 Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center
 Progressive Farm Credit Services
 Quality Choice Hearing Aid Center
 Rick Brittingham, Poplar Bluff Realty

Rick's 66
 River Radio
 Saint Francis Healthcare System
 Schultz Surveying & Engineering, Inc
 SCS Enterprises
 Service Industrial Park
 SMTS
 State Farm Insurance-Eddy Justice
 Super Saver Discount Pharmacy
 Three Rivers Community College Foundation
 Three Rivers Endowment Trust
 Trans-A-Matic
 Williamsville Stone Company

5- 9 Years

4M Sign Service & Design, LLC
 A-1 Back Flow
 Aaron's Sales and Lease Ownership
 Altrusa International Inc.
 Bluff City Ice, Inc
 Bootheel Sign, LLC.
 Boy Scouts of America
 Buddy Strack, Morgan Stanley
 Con-way Freight Central
 Cornerstone Tabernacle
 David Craig Ministries/Life 90.3 FM
 Donut House
 Edward Jones
 Habitat for Humanity
 Holiday Inn/Comfort Inn/Super 8 Hotel
 Ham's Termite & Pest Control
 Hardy Billington
 Heritage Title Company
 John J. Pershing VA Medical Center
 Kissinger & Kirkman Investment Centre
 Kurt Knodell, Agent - Poplar Bluff Realty
 Larry Leeds Quality Automotive
 Living Word Baptist Church
 MACO Management/Oak Grove Apartments
 Morgan Stanley
 Nancy Abernathy - Morgan Stanley
 Northside Nutrition Center
 Oakdale Care Center

5-9 Years Continued

Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission
 Petsway
 Poplar Bluff Kiwanis Club
 Poplar Bluff Rehabilitation
 Riceland Foods, Inc
 Robertson Inc. Bridge Grading
 Rowland Family Dentistry
 Sacred Heart School
 Southeast Insulation and Home Improvement
 Sterling Bank
 Stinson Press, Inc.
 Terry Stewart, Poplar Bluff Realty
 The Claudia Foundation
 Tonya Carter, Coldwell Banker
 Verizon Wireless - Z Wireless
 Walsh & Walsh LLC
 West Properties

If your business renewed between November 1st - April 30th and we missed you, we apologize. Please contact us so that we can recognize you in our next newsletter!

*Thank you for
 supporting the Chamber and the
 greater
 Poplar Bluff area!*

1-4 Years

Agee Fellowship Church
 Amanda's Suite 1
 Animal Welfare Alliance of Southeast Missouri
 B&R Cleaning
 Banner Finance
 Belle Ame Catering
 Bits N Bytes Technologies

 Brandon Woolard, Modern Woodmen of
 Brick's Off Road Park
 Butler County Title Company, LLC
 C & S Septic Services, LLC
 Cane Creek Sod Farm
 Cummings Real Estate
 Gill Family Properties, LLC
 Grace Christian Fellowship
 Hanger Clinic
 Heritage Appraisal Service
 Lukescaping
 NES Equipment Rentals
 Ozark Family Resource Agency
 Ozark Gym Sports
 PennyWide Enterprise, LLC
 Persons Vending
 Plaza Tire Service, Inc
 Poplar Bluff Elks Lodge #2452
 Poplar Bluff Historic Depot Restoration Corp.
 Prime Plus Investments, LLC
 Rednecks Racks and Reels
 Ricoh Americas Corporation
 Robison Associates, LLC
 Rob's Flowers/ Scrapboos from the Heart
 Security Finance
 Shelton Business Machines
 Sound Xtreme
 Staffmark
 Steak N' Shake
 Strubinger's Bakery & Café
 Sunrise Home Care
 TAG Truck Center
 The Landing & Rosecliff Lodge
 Three Rivers Shrine Club
 Vietnam Veterans of America Chap. 1056
 Walgreens

Welcome to the Chamber!!

Midwest Security Home & Business

Dr. Kenneth A. Michel

Missouri Vein Care

Swank's Towing & Recovery

Rainbow Rocks

Ron Black

Three Rivers Board of Realtors

Ham's Termite & Pest Control

Fish N' Chicks

Goody's

BRADCO

Behavioral Health Group

Poplar Bluff Regional Giving Circle

Direct Access Family Care, LLC

Bloodworth Law Office

Spectra 1 Trophies & Screen Printing

Child Concern Center

Glenn Shepard Seminars

Garrett Ross, Northwestern Mutual

Essential Trained Care

Classic Home Loans, Inc.

Southeast Signs & Graphics