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Class of 2008

Business: Independence School District
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Assistant Director of Information Systems

Community/Professional Involvement:
Kansas City Symphony Young Friends

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Class of 2006

Business: Northwest Communities Development Corp.
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Executive Director

Community/Professional Involvement:
Chamber of Commerce, Greater KC
Council on Philanthropy

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Class of 2008

Business: Business By Promotion
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Class of 2004

Business: Scandinavia Place
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Owner

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors
Kiwanis Club
Square Association

Bill Arnold

Class of 1988

Business: Bank Midwest
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Senior Vice-President

Community/Professional Involvement:
First Assembly of God
ABA
Consumers Bankers Association
Chair 1995-96, Youth L.E.A.D. Steering Committee
Chair 1998 SantaCaliGon Festival Board
L.E.A.D. Steering Committee 1989-1995
ASTD
Deluxe Collaborative

Irene Baltrusaitis

Class of 1989

Business: City of Independence
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Communications Director

Community/Professional Involvement:

Past Chair, Santa-Cali-Gon Days® Festival Board
Past Chair, L.E.A.D. Steering Committee
Past member, Youth L.E.A.D. Steering Committee
Past Chair, Business Expo Committee
St. Mark Catholic Church
Junior Services League
Chamber Banquet Committee
St. Mary's High School Board
Truman Heartland Community Foundation Gala Committee

Pat Barnhard

Class of 2008

Business: Edward Jones
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Investment Rep

Community/Professional Involvement:

Jeane Ann Baumgartner

Class of 2003

Business: FASTSIGNS – Independence
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Community/Professional Involvement:
Alpha Chi Omega
Lee's Summit Community Theatre
Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce
L.E.A.D. Independence Steering Committee

Trudy Beard, CPA

Class of 1994

Business: Trudy Beard CPA PC
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Independence, MO 64055
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CPA

Community/Professional Involvement:
National Association of Women Business Owners
American Institute - Certified Public Accountants
Missouri Society of Certified Public Accountants
YouthFriends

Jim Blau

Class of 1992

Business: Jim Blau Insurance Agency, Inc.
13905 E. 39th St.
Independence, MO 64055
816 833-1595

Agent/President

Community/Professional Involvement:

Knight's of Columbus
Kansas City Royals Lancer - Retired
Jackson Co. Sheriff Reserve
Rotary Club
YouthFriends
Shriner

Bleckinger, Sonci

Class of 2007

Business: M & I Bank
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Independence, MO 64055
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Vice President / Branch Manager

Chris Booth

Class of 2004

Business: Carrabba's Italian Grill
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Proprietor

Community/Professional Involvement:

Lions Club

Cheryl Bradley

Class of 2006

Business: Bank of the West
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Branch Manager / Assistant Vice President

Community/Professional Involvement:

Lions Hiram Young Community Service Center
Rotary Club of Eastern Independence
YouthFriends
Independence Art Association
American Club Association
Ambassador - Independence Chamber of Commerce
Co-Chair / L.E.A.D. Independence Executive (Alumni) Committee
City of Independence – Ethics Board
Independence Council for Economic Development

Dale Brendel

Class of 1999

Business: Examiner
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General Manager/Executive Editor

Community/Professional Involvement:

Community Services League Board
Santa-Cali-Gon Days® Festival Fairboard
Blue Springs Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
Rotary Club

April Brown

Class of 2008

Business: City of Independence
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Budget Analyst

Community/Professional Involvement:
Certified Government Financial Manager
YouthFriends
L.E.A.D. Steering Committee 2008-2009 anissa@cncpas.com

Robert Buell

Class of 1999

Business: Independence Power & Light
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Customer Programs Administrator

Community/Professional Involvement:
Youth Friends

Delores Buffa

Class of 2008

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Vice President of Document Management

Community/Professional Involvement:
Active member, Independence Chamber of Commerce

John Bullard, Jr.

Class of 1994

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Police Sergeant - Criminal Investigations Unit

Community/Professional Involvement:

Fraternal Order of Police Lodge Local, State & National Lodges
L.E.A.D. Independence
North American Police Working Dog Assoc.
Missouri Police Canine Assoc.
Community of Christ Professional Law Enforcement Assoc.
Coins for Canine, Inc.

Konnie Bullard, MSSG

Class of 1998

Business: Golden Living Center
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Independence, MO 64057
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Director of Social Services

Community/Professional Involvement:

Halloween Parade Committee
Santa-Cali-Gon Days® Festival Fair Board
Jackson County Inner Agency Council Board of Directors (past)
Professionals in Aging
Instructor at Park University

Diana Castillo

Class of 2008

Business: Child Abuse Prevention Association (CAPA)
503 E. 23rd St.
Independence, MO 64055 / www.childabuseprevention.org
816 252-8388 ext. 313 Fax: 816 252-1337
Email: dcastillo@childabuseprevention.org

Resource & Communications Director

Community/Professional Involvement:

Blue Springs Chamber
Independence Chamber
Lee's Summit Chamber
Independence Rotary
Council of Philanthropy

Cindy C. Cavanah

Class of 1993

Business: Retired

Community/Professional Involvement:

Past Member, Independence Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
Beautification Commission - City of Independence
Drumm Farm Board of Trustees
YouthFriends
L.E.A.D. Independence Steering Committee
Youth L.E.A.D. Independence Steering Committee

Shawna Clay

Class of 2007

Business: IBS Industries/Secure Document Solutions
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Chief Operating Officer

Community/Professional Involvement:

CAPA
Catechist Prince of Peace
Independence Chamber of Commerce

Roberta Coker

Original Steering Committee and Class of 1996

Business: Retired
Email: cokerross@yahoo.com

Community/Professional Involvement:

Past-Chair, Independence Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
Past President, Rotary Club
Sustaining Member & Past President, Junior Service League
Community Christmas Concert Committee
Vice Chair, Truman Heartland Community Foundation
Community Advisory Committee: Chair
The Greater Kansas City Health Care Foundation
Independence Tourism Advisory Board
Bi County United Way Board of Directors
Member, Raytown School District Hall of Fame

Jane Conley-Doerflinger

Class of 2004

Business: Retired
Email: doerflinger1@everestkc.net

Community/Professional Involvement:

Lion's International
St. Mark's United Methodist Church
ACCE/NAMD
Pittsburg State University Alumni Association
Northeast Johnson County Leadership
Milburn Fields Homes Association
Heartland Parkinson's Foundation
Merriam Parks & Recreation Foundation / Board of Directors
Independence L.E.A.D. Alumni
Friends of Crosslines

Janet Conrow

Class of 1991

Business: City of Independence – Water Department
11610 E. Truman Rd.
Independence, MO 64050
816 325-7806

Support Services Supervisor

Community/Professional Involvement:

Independence School District YouthFriends

Brad Constance

Class of 1993

Business: Stewart, Cook, Constance, Minton & Wight, LLC.
501 W. Lexington
Independence, MO 64050
816 833-1800 Fax: 816 833-1805

Attorney

Community/Professional Involvement:
Santa-Cali-Gon Days® Festival Board
Rotary Club

Vaughn Cornish

Class of 2000

Business: Schmidt, Cornish & Smith, CPA's
740 NW Blue Parkway, Suite 200
Lee's Summit, MO 64086
816 554-6717 Fax: 816 554-6716

Partner

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber of Commerce, Board Member
Ambassador, Independence Chamber
Outreach Restoration Branch
Rotary Club 13
Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce

Raymond Crabtree

Class of 2006

Business: Commerce Bank
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Branch Manager

Sue Crumpton

Class of 2005

Business: Community Services League
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Executive Director

Community/Professional Involvement:
Women Vision International Volunteer

Cindy Culp-Nance

Class of 2006

Business: Independence Fire Department
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Fire Inspector

Community/Professional Involvement:
YouthFriends
Stay Well Health Advisory Committee
Missouri State Fire Marshall Association
Chamber of Commerce L.E.A.D. Alumni

Luann M. Cunningham

Class of 1993

Business: Vibe Marketing Group
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Project Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
Advisory Board Member, Child Abuse Prevention Association

Sharon Dankenbring

Class of 1997

Business: The Examiner
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816 254-8600

Advertising Director

Community/Professional Involvement:
Board Member, Ft. Osage School District (Since 1992)
Ft. Osage Athletic Booster Club (Since 1988)
Missouri School Board Association (Since 1992)
Independence Chamber of Commerce
Junior Services League, 2002

Glen Davis

Class of 2008

Business: Cargo Largo
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Controller

Community/Professional Involvement:

Jan Davis

Class of 2008

Business: Fort Osage R-I School District
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Assistant Superintendent

Community/Professional Involvement:

National Staff Development Council
Missouri Staff Development Council
MetroPers (Personnel Administrators)
AASPA American Association of School Personnel Administrators
Leadership Academy Facilitator

Don DeBoard

Class of 1999

Business: City of Independence
223 N. Memorial Drive
Independence, MO 64050
816 257-7831

Police Officer

Community/Professional Involvement:

Instructor, Blue River Community College
Enforcement Trainer, American Society of Law
National Association School Resource Officers
Independence Chamber Golf Committee
Santa-Cali-Gon Days® Festival Board

Cheryl DeHaan

Class of 2008

Business: The Groves
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White Oak Living Center Director

Karen M. DeLuccie

Class of 2006

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Attorney

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Planning Commission
Community Activist

Collin Dietiker

Class of 2007

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Assistant City Counselor

Peter DiPrima

Class of 2007

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Financial Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber of Commerce
YouthFriends

Cindy Dodson

Class of 2008

Business: City of Independence
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Economic Development Projects Coordinator

Community/Professional Involvement:
YouthFriends
Idea Academy Alumni
Lakeside Nature Center

Karen Downey

Class of 1994

Business: Downey Construction, Inc.
3626 B Noland Court
Independence, MO 64055
816 373-1092

Vice President

Community/Professional Involvement:

Board of Directors, Independence Chamber of Commerce
Past Chair, Independence Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
Board of Directors, Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
Board of Directors, Truman Heartland Community Foundation
(1995-2003)
Board of Directors, Sunshine Center School (1995-2003)
Independence Council for Economic Development
Past Member, L.E.A.D. Independence Executive Committee
All America City Representative – City of Independence (2001)
Choices Presenter
PIAC (Public Improvement Advisory Committee / City of Kansas City)

Kim Downey Noble

Class of 2003

Business: Kim Downey Noble State Farm Insurance
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Independence, MO 64050
816 833-1180 Fax 833-1131
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Owner/Agent

Community/Professional Involvement:

Independence Chamber of Commerce Member
YouthFriend

Robin R. Downs

Class of 2008

Business: Community America Credit Union
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816 412-4010 Fax: 816 412-4015
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Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
L.E.A.D. Alumni Committee 2008-2009

Brandon English

Class of 2007

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Independence, MO 64055
816 350-2300 Fax: 816 350-2223
Email: Englishbt@DFCKC.com

Branch Manager / Vice President

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber of Commerce
Chairman, L.E.A.D. Steering Committee 2008-2009

Nancy Eppert

Class of 2004

Business: Omnibus Theatre Company
3636 South Hocker
Independence, MO 64055
816 478-4445 Fax: 816 478-4855
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Community/Professional Involvement:

City Theatre of Independence
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
American Association of Community Theatre
L.E.A.D. Independence Steering Committee
YouthFriends
University of Kansas School of Medicine Standardized Patient

William (Bill) C. Esry

Class of 1992

Business: Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
4200 Little Blue Parkway
Independence, MO 64057
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President/Chief Executive Officer

Community/Professional Involvement:

Independence, Raytown & Blue Springs Chambers of Commerce
Heart of America Council Boy Scouts of America
First Presbyterian Church of Independence
Rotary Club of Independence
Fast Forward Independence
Golden Acres Homes Association
Missouri Independent Bankers Association
Blue Springs Economic Development Corporation

Patrick J. Farrell

Class of 2006

Business: Sibley Orchards & Cider Mill
4121 California Ave.
Sibley, MO 64088
816 589-0674 (Cell) 816 650-5535 (Orchard)
Website: www.sibleyorchards.com
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Owner

Community/Professional Involvement:

Chamber of Commerce – Independence
Chamber of Commerce – Buckner
Chamber of Commerce – Blue Springs
Buckner Betterment Group
Fort Osage School District Foundation
L.E.A.D. Independence Steering Committee 2006-2007

Jared A. Fears, CFP®

Class of 1990

Business: Community of Christ
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Independence, MO 64050
816 521-3062 Fax: 816 521-3081
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Coordinator, Estate & Financial Planning Ministries

Community/Professional Involvement:

Financial Planning Association
Mid-America Planned Giving Council
Lions Club
Gudgell Park Congregation – Community of Christ
United Consumers Credit Union – Supervisory Committee

Kimberly J. Felz

Class of 2005

Business: Nativity of Mary School
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Marketing Director

Community/Professional Involvement:
Member – Birchwood Baptist Church
Involved in various Youth Sports:
– Soccer, Baseball & Basketball

Jan Ferguson

Class of 2003

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12700 E. 48th St. So..
Independence, MO 64055
816 461-0333 Fax: 816 461-0551

Vice President

Community/Professional Involvement:
Lions Club
Hiram Young Community Service Center

Gregory C. Finke

Class of 2006

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Independence, MO 64057
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Vice President, Investment Advisor Rep

Community/Professional Involvement:

Independence Rotary Club
Independence Optimist club
Independence School District YouthFriends
L.E.A.D. Independence Steering Committee
L.E.A.D. Independence Executive Committee

Janice Fleming

Class of 2008

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515 S. Liberty
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816 325-7180 Fax: 816 325-7074
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Public Health Investigator II

Community/Professional Involvement:

Travis Forbes

Class of 2008

Business: Independence Police Department
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Independence, MO 64050
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Major

Community/Professional Involvement:
YouthFriends
International Association of Chiefs of Police
Fraternal Order of Police

Alvin Franks

Class of 2008

Business: Unilever
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Independence, MO 64055
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Continuous Improvement Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:

Teresa Freeland

Class of 2002

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Special Projects Assistant

Allen Garner

Class of 2004

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City Counselor

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Rotary Club
First Baptist Church, Lee's Summit
Life member, Jay Basketball Boosters

Gary George

Class of 1988

Business: Alpharetta, Georgia Department of Public Safety
2565 Old Milton Pkwy
Alpharetta, GA 30004
678 297-6342

Director of Public Safety

Community/Professional Involvement:

Atlanta Metropolitan Chiefs and Sheriff's Association
FBI National Academy Alumni Association
International Association of Chiefs of Police
Georgia Police Chiefs Association
FBI-Leed "Law Enforcement Executive Development"
Rotary
PERF "Police Executive Research Forum"

Bobby Green

Class of 2008

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P.R.O.U.D. Safety Coordinator

Community/Professional Involvement:

Prison Ministry with Church

Cathi Glanville

Class of 2007

Business: Space Center Kansas City
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Office Manager
Senior Property Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber of Commerce
Rotary Club of Eastern Independence
Board of Directors – Sunshine Center

Robert Glaser (Bob)

Class of 1995

Business: Summit Bank of Kansas City
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Lee's Summit, MO 64086
251-9000 FAX: 251-9090
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Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber of Commerce
United Way
Rotary Club
LINC Commissioner
Greater Kansas City Healthcare Foundation Board
Lakewood Oaks Board
Friends of Lee's Summit

Dawn Goucher

Class of 2005

Business: M & I Bank
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Independence, MO 64055
816 447-3101 or 816 447-3122
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Community/Professional Involvement:
YouthFriends

Hap Graff

Original Steering Committee / Class of 1993

Business: Blue Ridge Bank and Trust Co.
4200 Little Blue Parkway
Independence, MO 64057
816 795-4027

Senior Vice President

Community/Professional Involvement:

Board of Trustees, Drumm Farm (since 1990), Chairman (1998-99)
Board of Directors, Independence Chamber of Commerce
(1984-92, 94-96) Past Chairman (1991)
Chair, 1995 Independence Chamber Annual Banquet Committee
Board, Hope House, (1994-1996), Building Campaign (2001)
Advisory Board, YMCA (1979 – 1996), President (1986, 1992)
Advisory Board, Sunshine Center (since 1985)
Independence Rotary Club (since 1983); Treasurer, 2006 – 2007, VP 2007 - 2008
Bi-County United Way 1997 – 2002, 2004 – present

Nick Hadley

Class of 2007

Business: 1st Financial Bank
11120 W. 135th St.
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Email: nick.hadley@1stfinbank.com

Vice President

Community/Professional Involvement:
Kiwans Club of Independence – Board of Directors
YouthFriends
Youth L.E.A.D Steering Committee

Doug E. Hammer

Class of 1992

Business: Edward Jones
Gaslight Shopping Center
3417 S. Noland
Independence, MO 64055
816 252-1199

Community/Professional Involvement:
Past President, Rotary Club of Independence
Board Member, Independence Regional Health Center
Board Member, Truman Heartland Community Foundation

Katie Hammons

Class of 2008

Business: Commerce Bank, N.A.
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Independence, MO 64057
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Commercial Banker

Community/Professional Involvement:
Lee's Summit Chamber Young Professionals
YouthFriends
L.E.A.D. Steering Committee 2008-2009

Robert Harper

Class of 2002

Business: ACS Electronics, Inc.
7856 Barton
Lenexa, KS 66214
913 248-8828 Fax: 913 248-8833
Email: rharper@acs-1.com

Vice President

Community/Professional Involvement:
NBFAA – 1996-present
NTS – 1995-present

Robert Heacock

Class of 2000

Business: City of Independence
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Independence, MO 64050
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City Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
St. Mark's Catholic Church
Kiwanis

Thomas Heinkel

Class of 2005

Business: City of Independence – Water Department
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Independence, MO 64050-2517
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Manager – Customer Service

Rick Hemmingsen

Class of 1995

Business: Independence Chamber of Commerce
210 West Truman Road
Independence, MO 64050
816 252-4745

President/C.E.O.

Community/Professional Involvement:

Independence Tourism Advisory Board
Independence Rotary
Abiding Savior Lutheran Church
Independence Legacy, Inc.
Independence Optimist Club

Vicki Henderson

Class of 1991

Business: Summit Bank of Kansas City
1650 NE Grand, Ste. 100
Lee's Summit, MO 64086
816 251-9001
Email: vicki.henderson@summitbankofkc.com

Senior Vice President Operations

Community/Professional Involvement:

Independence School District - YouthFriends
Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity
2006 Honoree of "Women Who Mean Business" program
presented by the *Kansas City Business Journal*
Board of Directors – Sunshine Center

Andrew “Andy” Herman

Class of 2008

Business: Herman Enterprises
36306 E Pink Hill Rd
Oak Grove, MO 64075
816 918-3847
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Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Optimist Club (Tuesday evenings)

Dr. Jim Hinson

Class of 2005

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Independence, MO 65055
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Superintendent of Schools

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Rotary Club
Bi-County United Way
MASA & AASA (Missouri and National Assoc. for Administrators)
Independence Chamber of Commerce
Greater Kansas City Administrators Association

Nēdra Hoover

Class of 2005

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Membership Services

Community/Professional Involvement:
YouthFriends
Living Stones Community Church
Blue Springs Chamber of Commerce

Scott Howell

Class of 1996

Business: City of Independence Water Department
11610 E. Truman Road
Independence, MO 64050
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Email: showell@indep.mo.org

Engineering Supervisor

Community/Professional Involvement:

Boy Scout Troop 282 - Scoutmaster
Cub Pack 282
Heart of America Boy Scouts Blue Elk District Training Committee
Heart of America Boy Scouts Blue Elk District Advancement Chairman

Steve Hunter

Class of 1997

Business: TeamBank, N.A.
3485 NE Ralph Powell Road
Lee's Summit, MO 64063-0387
816 347-9143 ext 2487 Cell: 816 896-3811 Fax: 816 347-1801
Email: Steve.Hunter@TEAMFINANCIALINC.COM

Vice President, Commercial Lender

Community/Professional Involvement:

Independence Chamber of Commerce
Independence Council for Economic Development

Paul Hunting

Class of 2002

Business: The Examiner
410 S. Liberty
Independence, MO 64050
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Production Manager

Jeanetta Issa

Class of 2007

Business: Child Abuse Prevention Association (CAPA)
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Chief Executive Officer

Community/Professional Involvement:

Independence Chamber of Commerce Member
Member of Kiwanis International
Actively involved in
Child Abuse Prevention in the Metropolitan Community
L.E.A.D. Alumni Committee 2007 - 2008

Ryan Jones

Class of 2005

Business: IBS Industries, Inc.
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Employee Services Coordinator

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber of Commerce
– Halloween Parade Committee

Karen Kelley

Class of 1994

Business: City of Independence Water Department
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Production Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
PEO - Chapter IK
First United Methodist Church
American Water Works Association
Independence School District YouthFriends
Vaile Board

Claudia Ketterlin

Class of 2000

Business: Independence School District
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Director of Human Resources Non-Certificated Staff

Community/Professional Involvement:

YouthFriends
YouthFriends Mentor
Junior Service League
Noland Road Lions Club

Sandi Kiehne

Class of 2006

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816 377-3196

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Assistant Superintendent

Nancy Kimak

Class of 2001

Business: Kimak's Pest Control
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Chief Operating Officer

Community/Professional Involvement:

St. Mary's Parishioner
Board of Directors, American Sterling Bank
Board of Directors, Centerpoint Medical Center
Board of Directors, Truman Heartland Community Foundation
Recipient of the Independence Chamber
"Distinguished Service" Award
Recipient of the City of Sugar Creek, THCF, "Citizen of the Year" Award

Kim King

Class of 2006

Business: Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
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Branch Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:

YouthFriends
Independence Chamber of Commerce
The School District of Independence Foundation, Inc.

Scott King

Class of 1987

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Community/Professional Involvement:
Advisory Board, Hope House
Independence Chamber of Commerce
Professional Associations
Former Municipal Judge - Independence
East Independence Rotary Club
National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys

Martin Kuny

Class of 1988

Business: The Law Office of K. Martin Kuny, P.C.
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Community/Professional Involvement:
L.E.A.D. Steering Committee Chairman (1990-92, 1994)
Advisory Board, Sunshine Center
Eastern Jackson County Bar Association
Board of Directors, Community Services League
American Bar Association - Family Law Division
39th Street Transportation Development District – Chair
Independence TIF Commission

Bill Kyles

Class of 1988

Business: Comprehensive Mental Health Services
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President

Community/Professional Involvement:

MO State Coalition of Community Mental Health Centers
Independence Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors, Truman Neurological Center
African-American Task Force on Mental Health Issues
Vocational Rehabilitation Commission for State of Missouri

John Mark Lambertson

Class of 2002

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318 W. Pacific
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National Frontier Trails Museum Director

Community & Professional Involvement:

Heartland Men's Chorus
Heritage League
Kansas City Area Historic Trails Association
Oregon-California Trails Association Board of Directors
L.E.A.D. Independence Steering Committee

Tom Lancaster

Class of 2002

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Water Department Service Supervisor

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independent Order of Odd Fellows
American Legion

Barbara Langley

Class of 2003

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National Publicist

Community/Professional Involvement:
Ambassador, Independence Chamber of Commerce
Past President, Kiwanis Club of Independence
Member, ACA American Club Association
Past President Victorian Chalet Homeowners Association

Gary Leeper

Class of 1994

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Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber of Commerce – Retention Committee
Rotary International
Masonic Lodge

Kelly Logan

Class of 2004

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Vice President of Human Resources

Community/Professional Involvement:
Past Member, W-N School Board
Program Managers Association
Wellington Lions Club
Wellington Fair Board
Wellington Municipal Court Clerk

Selene Madrid

Class of 1998

Business: Heartland Home Health & Hospice
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Manager of Business Development

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber Board of Directors

Eric Mann

Class of 2006

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Marketing Specialist

Community/Professional Involvement:
United Methodist Church of the Resurrection
Youth L.E.A.D

Diana Marr

Class of 1999

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Tourism Services Spec.

Community/Professional Involvement:
American Society of Professional Administrators
Phi Theta Kappa
Independence Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors

Helen Matson

Class of 1995

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Citizen Corps Volunteer Services Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
Volunteer Coordinator Council
Volunteer Management Institute
RACES
VIPS
Hospice
St. Mary's Catholic Church Altar Society

Steve Mauer

Class of 1995

Business: Bryan Cave LLP
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Attorney

Community/Professional Involvement:

Board of Directors, Independence Chamber of Commerce
Independence Chamber Building Committee
American Heart Association
Sunshine Center School
United Way, Eastern Jackson County
Independence Council for Economic Development
Board of Trustees, Independence Regional Health Center

Karen Maxwell-Strahl

Class of 2001

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Customer Service Supervisor

Diana McClellan

Class of 2007

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Branch Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber of Commerce

Ken McCubbin

Class of 2008

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Safety, Health, Environmental & Quality Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
YouthFriends
L.E.A.D. Alumni Committee 2008-2009

Matt McLaughlin

Class of 2004

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Community/Professional Involvement:
American Water Works Association
YouthFriends
Missouri Professional Engineers

Scott McMahan

Class of 2007

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Production Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
Timothy Lutheran Church – Blue Springs
Youth coach in soccer, basketball, softball and baseball

Brent McMilian

Class of 1992

Business: Dairy Farmers of America
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Human Resources Recruiter / Trainer

Community/Professional Involvement:

Pi Lambda Theta Honorary Society
SHRM – Society for Human Resources Management
HRMA – Human Resource Management Association – Kansas City
EPN KC

Sue McMilian

Class of 1992

Business: Independence Chamber of Commerce
210 West Truman Road
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Vice President of Special Projects

Community/Professional Involvement:

Chamber of Commerce Executives of Missouri

Gerry McReynolds

Class of 2005

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Support Services Manager

Vernon Meckel

Class of 1997

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Independence Center Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:

Kiwanis (1989-1994)
Catholic Church
Board of Directors, Independence Chamber of Commerce
CSM (Certified Shopping Center Manager)

Melynda Meredith

Class of 2008

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Dentist

Community/Professional Involvement:

L.E.A.D. Steering Committee 2008-2009

Annette Miller

Class of 2001

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Administrative Assistant

Community/Professional Involvement:
MAEOP – Office Personnel
NAEOP – Office Personnel
Woman’s Civic Club of Independence
Independence Young Matrons
L.E.A.D. Independence Executive (Alumni) Committee

Fred M. Mills

Class of 2003

Business: Retired – Former Independence Chief of Police
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Community/Professional Involvement:
MO Police Officers Association
Kiwanis Club
YouthFriends
Metro Chiefs & Sheriffs Association

Cliff Mohn

Class of 1989

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Assistant Professor – Central Missouri State University

Community/Professional Involvement:

P.T.A.
Member, First United Methodist Church
Phi Delta Kappa
American Association of School Administrators
Board member – Community Services League

Sheryl Monteil

Class of 2003

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Vice President of Business Development

Community/Professional Involvement:

ABWA
National Rehab Association
PTO
L.E.A.D. Independence Steering Committee

Dan Montgomery

Class of 1989

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Water Systems Director

Community/Professional Involvement:
St. Mark's Catholic Church
American Society of Civil Engineers
American Water Works Association Missouri Section
Independence School District Youth Friend
Kiwanis Club of Independence

Mike Moores

Class of 2006

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Architect

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Square Association Board

Kimberly Mullendore

Class of 2006

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Community/Professional Involvement:

Child Passenger Safety Advocate
Notary Public, NNA
Coalition for Child Safety, Advisory Board
Buckle up our Future, Chair
SAFEKIDS Metro KC
City of Independence Volunteer
Daughters of the American Revolution, Member

Neil Mullikin

Class of 2008

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Banking Center Manager / AVP

Community/Professional Involvement:

Rotary

Anissa M. Nelson

Class of 2005

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Certified Public Accountant
Certified Financial Planner® Professional

Community/Professional Involvement:
American Institute of Certified Public accountants
Missouri Society of Certified Public Accountants
Kingdom Advisors

Lisa Nichelson

Class of 1994

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Community/Professional Involvement:
Board of Directors, Independence Chamber of Commerce
Independence Square Association
Independence Benefit Tax District
D.A.R.E.
YouthFriends

Marsha Oldham

Class of 2001

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Realtor / Salesperson

Community/Professional Involvement:

Past Chair Halloween Parade Committee Chair
Santa-Cali-Gon Fairboard Member
Past PTA President, Thomas Hart Benton Elementary
Previous Board Member, Northwest Communities Development Corp.
Member Maywood Baptist Church

Donna Pittman

Class of 2004

Business: Curt's Famous Meats
10101 E. Truman Rd.
Independence, MO 64052
816 836-2288

Owner

Community/Professional Involvement:

Maywood Merchants Association
Big Brothers/Big Sisters
Citizens' Committee on Public Safety
Independence Dinner Club
Board of Directors – Independence Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors – Progress Independence
Board of Directors - NWCDC

Carolyn Pittsenbarger

Class of 1987

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Community/Professional Involvement:
Blue Springs Chamber of Commerce
Blue Springs Noon Rotary
Blue Springs Christian Church

Dana Postlethwait

Class of 2005

Spouse: Glen

Business: Corporate CopyPrint
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Independence, MO 64050
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Sales Rep

Karen Rayburn

Class of 1996

Business: Quality Equine Insurance
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800 581-7020 Fax: 816 758-7475
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Owner / Agent

Community/Professional Involvement:

American Cancer Society
Alzheimer's Association
Peculiar Area Chamber of Commerce – Board Secretary
Downtown Peculiar Arts & Culture District – Board Treasurer

Becca Roberts

Class of 2002

Business: The Travel Store
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President

Community/Professional Involvement:

YouthFriends
American Legion Auxiliary
L.E.A.D. Independence Executive (Alumni) Committee
Junior Service League
Women's Civic Club

Brenda Roberts-Cline

Class of 1994

Business: Especially Jewelry
2400 Lee's Summit Rd., Suite 150
Independence, MO 64055
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Community/Professional Involvement:

Independence Square Association
Charter Bank - Advisory Board
Jewelers of America - MO State Board
Independence Chamber of Commerce
Independence Benefit Tax District
Great Race to Independence
Hope House, All That Jazz Auction
Board of Directors, Sunshine Center
1994 Chamber's Distinguished Service Award
1996 SBA Small Business Person of the Year, 5th District
Santa-Cali-Gon Days® Festival Fair Board

Tiffany Robinson

Class of 2006

Business: American Medical Response
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Business Development Manager for the Central Division

Community/Professional Involvement:

American Ambulance Association
Kansas Emergency Medical Services Association
Missouri Emergency Medical Services Association
Kiwanis

Donald S. Ross

Class of 1990

Business: School District of Independence Foundation, Inc.
Independence School District
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816 521-5300

Coordinator of Development

Community/Professional Involvement:

Youth LEAD Steering Committee
LINK Scholarship Committee
Civil War Roundtable
YouthFriends
Rotary Club of Independence
Friends of Gettysburg
Independence Community Christmas Fund Committee
Guadalcanal Veterans Association
Summit Springs Baptist Church

Stephanie L. Roush, APR

Class of 1989

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Director of Tourism

Community/Professional Involvement:

Independence School District Youth Friend & Board
Past President, Missouri Association of Convention & Visitors Bureaus
Board Member, Kansas City Attractions Association

Ralph Ruckman, DDS, PC

Class of 1987

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Community/Professional Involvement:

Past President, Eastern Jackson County Dental Association
Past member, Greater Kansas City Dental Association Board of Directors
Greater Kansas City Dental Society
Missouri Dental Association
American Dental Association
Academy of General Dentistry
Active in the Community of Christ Church
Past Chairman, L.E.A.D. Independence Executive committee
Past President, RLDS Medical - Dental Association
Past Chair of Clean Air Independence
Vice President, Independence Board of Health
Vice President of Independence Foundation
Vice Chair IRMC Tax Increment Financing Plan Advisory Commission

Sandra Schiess

Class of 2004

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Fire Chief

Community/Professional Involvement:
International Association of Fire Chiefs
Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society
Women in the Fire Service
L.E.A.D. Executive Committee

Patricia Schumacher (Patty)

Class of 1997

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Community/Professional Involvement:
Missouri Association Elementary School Principals
University of Missouri College of Education Alumni Board Directors
University of Missouri Hook Center for Educational Renewal Board Member
Independence Junior Service League
Independence Chamber of Commerce Board Member

Dayla Bishop Schwartz

Class of 2005

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Deputy City Counselor

Community/Professional Involvement:
CAPA Board of Directors
City Credit Union Board of Directors

Sandy Seidelman

Class of 2003

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Director

Community/Professional Involvement:
Youth Friends
Women's Evangelical Lutheran Association
Independence Chamber of Commerce
Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce
University of Missouri Alumni Association
Park Friends
L.E.A.D. Independence Alumni Committee

Sue Shirk

Class of 1998

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Accountant

Community/Professional Involvement:

First Christian Church
TIF Commission
Boy Scouts of America

Stacie Short

Class of 2003

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	Independence, MO 64055		www.inglewoodstation.com
	816 254-9044		816 252-3372
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	Owner/Designer		Owner

Community/Professional Involvement:

Weed & Seed Steering Committee
Englewood Business Assoc.
USA Track & Field Assoc.
Neighbors of Winner Rd.
Northwest Communities Development Corp., Housing Committee
Western Independence Commercial Task Force

Stanley Shurmantine

Class of 2001

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Chief Executive Officer

Community/Professional Involvement:
Reserve Officer Association
Missouri Association of Sheltered Workshop Managers
Military Officers Association of America
City Councilman – Lexington, Missouri

Mark Simcosky

Class of 2004

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Vice President

Community/Professional Involvement:
Eastern Independence Rotary Club
Independence Chamber of Commerce Ambassador
I.B.S. Industries Board Member
Eastern Jackson County Business Exchange

Cotton Sivils

Class of 2004

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Director

Community/Professional Involvement:

Chair, NKC Planning Commission
Board Trustee, NKC Library
Board Member, National Conference for Community and Justice
Lee's Summit Rotary Foundation Board Member
L.E.A.D. Independence Executive (Alumni) Committee

Stephanie Smith

Class of 2004

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Public Relations Director

Community/Professional Involvement:

MoSPRA/NSPRA
Lambda Pi Eta
Habitat for Humanity
Buckner Chamber of Commerce
Buckner Betterment Committee
L.E.A.D. Independence Steering Committee
PTA
Fort Osage School District Foundation

Ann Smith-Tate

Class of 2007

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Economic Development Manager

John Sommer

Class of 2001

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Community/Professional Involvement:

Mayor's Christmas Concert
Past Chair, Boys & Girls Club of Eastern Jackson County
Eastern Jackson County Bar Association
St. Mark's Catholic Church
Independence Rotary
Independence Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors
Santa-Cali-Gon Days® Festival Fair board

Elizabeth Streich

Class of 2004

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Community Relations Director

Community/Professional Involvement:
First Presbyterian Church
CSL Community Concert Committee
Heritage Festival Committee
Rotary International
YouthFriends
Missouri School Public Relations Association
National School Public Relations Association
Parent University Committee

Cheryl Tinsley

Class of 2000

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Law Department
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Workers Compensation Coordinator

Community/Professional Involvement:
International Association of Business Communicator
Jackson County United Way

Richard L. Viar (Rick)

Class of 1992

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President

Community/Professional Involvement:

Missouri Banker's Association
Independence Chamber of Commerce
Bi-County United Way of Cass & Jackson
Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce
Rotary Club of Eastern Independence
Rediscover Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
Lee's Summit Economic Development Council
Lee's Summit Educational Foundation, Inc.
Lee's Summit Industrial Development Authority
Truman Medical Center Lakewood – Philanthropy Board

Mike Vochatzer

Class of 2007

Business: Corporate CopyPrint
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Independence, MO 64050
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Press Operator

Janet Vornold

Class of 2008

Business: City of Independence / Utilities
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Customer Service Supervisor

Diana Washburn

Class of 2006

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President

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Chamber of Commerce Ambassador
Choices Presenter
NAWBO
Lions Club
H2U – Steering Committee

Amy Waters

Class of 2008

Business: Corporate CopyPrint
111 S. Main
Independence, MO 64050
816 252-0400 Fax: 816 252-0494
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Graphic Designer

Community/Professional Involvement:
YouthFriends

Susan Waters

Class of 2004

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Co-Owner

Community/Professional Involvement:
Tri-State Women's Council
PTA
Youth Worker
Independence Square Tax Board
L.E.A.D. Independence Executive (Alumni) Committee

Tom Waters

Class of 1997

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President

Community/Professional Involvement:
Santa Fe Trail PTA, various positions
Santa Fe Trail CDC, President
Community of Christ Church, Priesthood Member
Cornerstone Community of Christ, Stewardship Commissioner
Boys Scouts of America, Scoutmaster, Comm. Chair
Eagle Scout
Independence Chamber of Commerce, Ambassador
Independence Chamber of Commerce, Board Member
Independence Chamber of Commerce, Retention Committee Chair
Independence Square Association, Board Member

Donna Watkins

Original Steering Committee

Business: WMW Keynote Consultants
110 NW Hackberry
Lee's Summit, MO 64064
816 373-8907 Fax 373-7174
E-mail: wmwkeynote@sbcglobal.net

Vice President

Community/Professional Involvement:

Junior Service League Member
Independence Chamber of Commerce/Chamber Program Committee
Hope House:
Advisory Board
Past Chairs Council
Hope and All That Jazz Committee
Christ United Methodist Church

Bob Wayman

Class of 2006

Business: Unilever
13000 East 35th Street
Independence, MO 64055
816 833-1700 xt 201 Fax: 816 426-2660

Plant Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:

Member, Independence Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
Member, Rotary Club of Independence
Chairman of the Board – WIB Board of Directors
L.E.A.D. Independence Executive (Alumni) Committee

beth webb

Class of 2005

Business: The Groves
1600 W. White Oak
Independence, MO 64050
816 252-7200
E-mail: bethw@thegroves.com

Director of Independent Living

Community/Professional Involvement:

Hillcrest Transitional Housing of Eastern Jackson County
City of Independence Community Clean-up Program
L.E.A.D. Independence Executive (Alumni) Committee Co-Chair
Independence Chamber of Commerce Member

Carolyn Slayton Weeks

Original Steering Committee

Business: Weeks Apartments
P.O. Box 1657
Independence, MO 64050
816 461-2400

Community/Professional Involvement:

League of Women Voters Board
Japanese Sister City Commission
Nutra-Net Board
Citizens Civic & Cultural Committee Board

Lysle Weeks

Original Steering Committee

Business: Weeks Apartments
P.O. Box 1657
Independence, MO 64050
816 461-2400

General Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:

Advisory Board, Hope House
Independence School District YouthFriends
Historical & Cultural Organizations
Landlords' Technical Committee, City of Independence
Board of Directors, Jackson County Landlords Association
Independence School District, Transition Advisory Board

Tom Weir

Class of 2001

Business: Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
4240 Blue Ridge Blvd. Suite 100
Kansas City, MO 64133
816 358-5000
E-mail: tweir@blueridgebank.net

Vice President

Community/Professional Involvement:

Chamber of Commerce Ambassador
Independence Chamber of Commerce, Ambassadors Committee
40 Highway Improvement District, Core Member
Children's Mercy Hospitals and
Clinics "Hands and Hearts" Auxiliary, Treasurer
City of Independence Neighborhood Sustainability Committee, Vice Chair
City of Independence Public Safety Sales Tax Oversight Committee, Chair

Aimee Wells

Class of 2006

Business: City of Independence
875 Vista
Independence, MO 64056
816 325-7211 Fax: 816 325-7215
Email: awells@indepmo.org

Animal Control/Shelter Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
National Animal Control Association
Missouri Animal Control Association
Humane Education Specialist
Disaster Animal Response Team Leader

Susan Widick

Class of 1995

Business: Susan Widick, D.D.S., P.C.
3926 S. Lynn Ct.
Independence, MO 64055
816 254-7800
E-mail: staff@drwidick.com

Dentist

Community/Professional Involvement:
Greater KC Delta Gamma Alumnae
Eastern Jackson County Dental Health Group

Joseph “Mark” Widner

Class of 2005

Business: City of Independence – Fire Department
650 N. Spring
Independence, MO 64050
816 325-7133 Fax: 816 325-7130
E-mail: jwidner@indepmo.org

Emergency Program Manager

Community/Professional Involvement:
Independence Citizens Corps
Metropolitan Emergency Managers Committee
Project Community Alert
Independence RACES Organization

Joe Williams

Class of 2002

Business: Berger Devine Yaeger
3700 Broadway, Suite 300
Kansas City, MO 64111
816 561-2761 Fax: 816 561-9222
E-mail: jwilliams@bdyinc.com

Community & Professional Involvement:
American Institute of Architects
ICED
Buckner Restoration Branch

Joyce Wolfe

Class of 2007

Business: Trudy Beard CPA PC
17111 E US 40 Highway, Suite A
Independence, MO 64055
816 478-0915 Fax: 816 478-3378
Email: jwolfe@trudybeardcpa.com

Communications Coordinator

Community/Professional Involvement:
YouthFriends

Brian Yarbrough

Class of 2006

Business: Edward Jones
17911 E. US 24 Hwy
Independence, MO 64056
816 257-0393 Fax: 877 287-1029

Investment Rep

Community/Professional Involvement:
Kiwanis – Member/Board of Directors
YouthFriends
Independence Chamber of Commerce
Pleasant Valley Baptist Church
L.E.A.D. Independence Steering Committee

L.E.A.D GRADUATES / 1986 - 1989

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Class of 1986

Karen Barancik	Preferred Health Professionals
Sue Carmichael	Jones Store
Melvin Colley	Deceased
Steve Ferguson	Farmers Insurance
Larry Hodson	Indep. Regional Health Center
Larry Mlnarik	City of Independence
Dan Potter	The Examiner
Jim Potter	Corporate Communications
John Raney	Commerce Bank
Roger Reddick	Indep. Regional Health Center
Betty Snapp	Sunshine Center
Dorace Wilson	Community Service League

Class of 1988

Kevin Anderson	Formerly w/City of Indep
Bill Arnold*	Bank Midwest NA
David Bland	Bland & Associates
Terry Cochran	Formerly w/ The Examiner
Sara Corless	Greater KC Homebuilders Assoc
Wanda Dalton	Dalton Insurance
Susan Evans	Medical Center of Independence
H.P. Fritz	Independence Regional Cntr.
Gary George*	Alpharetta, Georgia Department of Public Safety
Ed Kruse	Miracle Ear
Martin Kuny*	K Martin Kuny Attorney
Bill Kyles*	Comprehensive Mental Health
Mark Massop	Independence Police Dept.
Carol Marcks	Fort Osage School District
Kim McComas	McComas Rental
Mark Mikkelsen	Medical Center of Independence
David Rock	Independence School Dist.
Bruce Ross	Standard Bank & Trust
Jim Ruhlman	K.C. Steel Supply
Lori Soule	Formerly w/Commerce Bank
Nancy Vreeland	Herald Publishing House

Class of 1987

Susie Block	City Council Member / deceased
Gretchen Booz	Herald Publishing House
Mike Corless	Mark Twain Bank
Sheila Davis	The Examiner
Larry Deaton	Ft. Osage School District
Norma Eickoff	City of Independence
Sandra Feeler	American Red Cross
Rick Gastineau	Independence Public Schools
Jesse Hubling	Children's Mercy Hospital
Scott King*	Attorney
Gary McClure	Commerce Bank
Carla McDowell	Laidlow Waste Systems
Carol O'Dell	All Points Travel
Bob Robinson	Payless Cleaning & Janitorial
Ralph Ruckman*	Ralph Ruckman, DDS PC
Mary Schorgl	Tupperware
Steve Sturm	Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
Sandra Templeton	Freelance writer
Rod Walsh	Indep. Regional Health Center
Carolyn (Wilson) Pittsenbarger*	Financial Success, Inc.

Class of 1989

Irene Baltrusaitis*	City of Independence
Donna Clark	Commerce Bank
Greg Clark	Kansas City Star
Sandra Colyer	UMKC
Gary Edwards	Edwards Back & Neck Care
Sue Else	Hope House
Jerry Gonzalez	Sears, Roebuck & Company
Vance Hamann	Medical Center of Independence
Sharon Jajesnica	Formerly w/Independ. Regional
Stephanie (Kelley) Roush*	Independence Tourism
Barb Kruse	Miracle Ear
Beverly Livingston	ICED
Julie Lynn	Medical Center of Independence
Peggy Matthews	Boatmen's Bank
Cliff Mohn*	Independence School District
Dan Montgomery*	City Water Department
Randy Sears	Sterling National Bank
Bill Seymour	Meritex Inc.
Debbie Rinas- White	

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L.E.A.D GRADUATES / 1990 - 1993

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Class of 1990

Ben Buttolph	Formerly w/Boatmen's Bank
Chuck Ehrhorn	Mercantile Bank
Jared Fears*	Community of Christ
LoAnne Garrett	Indep. Regional Health Center
Robert Gosnell	Metro Visual Health Center
Melonie Hale	Sterling National Bank
Phil Hampton	Sears, Roebuck & Company
Gary Helm	Attorney
Kevin Ingram	Standard Bank & Trust
Jamie Jones	Leaded Glass Studio
Pat Kimes	Medical Center of Indep.
Dennis Lowe	GeoSpace
Brian Mullies	Farmers Insurance
Ginger Nelson	Park Lane Medical Center
L.K. Norman	Dale Carnegie Training
Susie Opalka	Commerce Bank
Debbi Riess Roam	St. Mary's Hospital
Don Ross*	Independence Public Schools
Ernie Wasmer	Affiliated Physical Therapy
Susan Watkins	Attorney
Jan Woodford	American Red Cross

Class of 1991

Ron Baker	Indep. Regional Health Center
Janet Conrow*	City Water Department
Rebecca Dukes	Park Lane Medical Center
Becky Ely	The Examiner
David Emerick	Emerick & Associates
Charlie Hare	Jackson County Audiology LLC
Doug Hatridge	Fort Osage School District
Vicki Henderson*	Summit Bank of Kansas City
John Heny	Kaiser Permanente
Joyce Kerber	Attorney
Roger Myers	Independence School Dist.
Carol Pasquarette	Commerce Bank
Debbie Rippetto	Boatmen's Bank
Steve Short	DECO Construction
Linda Stout	Sears, Roebuck & Company
Vaughn Tribble	Health Care Systems

Class of 1992

Karen Arnold	Medical Center of Independence
Jim Blau*	Jim Blau American Family
Scott Britton-Mehlisch	Humphrey, Farrington & McClain
Candace Corace	Boatmen's Indep. Banking Cntr.
Rick Crandell	Boatmen's Investment Services
Donald Davenport	City of Independence
Diana Davis	Commerce Bank
Sharon Day	Sharon Day & Associates
John Draffan	The Examiner
Bill Esry*	Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
Barbara Garwood	Herald Publishing House
Rhonda Gerleman	Electronic Business Equipment
Sue (Goins) McMilian*	Indep. Chamber of Commerce
Doug Hammer*	Edward D. Jones & Company
Floyd Hastings	Thomas Hart Benton Elem.
Penny Kievet	Miracle Ear
Kent Kirkwood	Resthaven
Vicky Link	United Consumers Federal CU
Brent McMilian*	Dairy Farmers of America
Darrell Moore	Indep. Regional Health Center
Jim Riesselman	Sterling National Bank
Gary Stone	Independence Post Office
Janet Tyler	Commerce Bank
Rick Viar*	Summit Bank of Kansas City

Class of 1993

David Barnes	The Fountains at Greenbriar
Cindy Cable Cavanah*	Cable-Dahmer Chevrolet
Brad Constance*	Stewart Cook Constance Minton & Wight
Luann Cunningham*	Vibe Marketing Group
Cindy Garcia	Park College
Hap Graff*	Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
Jon Henderson	United Missouri Bank
Larry Hodge	City of Independence
Larry Hughes	Kentucky Fried Chicken
Kevin Kampman	The Examiner
Jack Larkin	Space Center Kansas City Inc.
James Lowman	Ford, Henley, Lowman & Winans
Noella McCray	Indep. Regional Health Center
Laurie Monsees	Herald Publishing House
Dana Posey	Medical Center Park
Gene Pulliam	Boatmen's Bank
T. David Rogers	RE/MAX Heartland, REALTORS®
Jean Rube	Sterling National Bank
Jean Rumbaugh	Indep. Regional Health Center
Beverly Sheldon	Community Services League
Deborah Sieve	Independence Women's Clinic
Gary Smith	Commercial Distribution Center
Sheila Tracy	Indep. Chamber of Commerce
Jeff White	Independence School Dist.

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L.E.A.D GRADUATES / 1994 - 1997

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Class of 1994

<p>Elaine Akin</p> <p>Trudy Beard, CPA*</p> <p>Mary Dell Black</p> <p>John Bullard, Jr.*</p> <p>Mike Chappelow</p> <p>Brenda Cline*</p> <p>Karen Downey*</p> <p>Karen Kelley*</p> <p>Ginger Kenney</p> <p>Jeff Kobs</p> <p>Gary Leeper*</p> <p>Ellen McDowell</p> <p>Jennifer Miller</p> <p>Lisa Nichelson*</p> <p>Wilma Schnorf</p> <p>W.B. Spillman</p>	<p>Psychiatric Nursing Services of Mid-America Inc.</p> <p>Trudy Beard CPA PC</p> <p>Fort Osage R-1 School Dist.</p> <p>City of Indep. – Police Dept.</p> <p>Indep. Regional Health Center</p> <p>Especially Jewelry</p> <p>Downey Construction Inc.</p> <p>City of Indep. – Water Dept.</p> <p>Indep. Regional Health Center</p> <p>Formerly w/Independence Chamber of Commerce</p> <p>Lone Summit Bank</p> <p>The McDowell Group</p> <p>Space Center Kansas City, Inc.</p> <p>BANK 10</p> <p>Hillcrest Bank</p> <p>Community of Christ</p>
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Class of 1996

<p>Randy Baldrige</p> <p>Craig Bolger</p> <p>Pat Campbell</p> <p>Roberta Coker*</p> <p>Wilma Davis</p> <p>Larry Eichner</p> <p>Shirlene Flory</p> <p>Jeff Fox</p> <p>Edward Glaser</p> <p>S. Sue Greenway</p> <p>Scott Howell*</p> <p>Millie Krna</p> <p>Gerald McMaster</p> <p>George Morrow</p> <p>Karen Rayburn*</p> <p>Aaron T. Richards</p> <p>Jim Rine</p> <p>John Vaughn</p> <p>Beverly Wilson</p>	<p>City of Indep. – Fire Dept</p> <p>Edward Jones</p> <p>1st Financial Bank</p> <p>Retired/Formerly with Independence School Dist</p> <p>Independence Youth Court</p> <p>Fort Osage School District</p> <p>Century 21 – Santa Fe</p> <p>The Examiner</p> <p>CBI/Missouri Incubation Cntr</p> <p>Bank Midwest</p> <p>City of Indep. – Water Dept.</p> <p>The Idea Connection</p> <p>Independence School Dist.</p> <p>City of Indep. – Power & Light</p> <p>Quality Equine Insurance</p> <p>Richards IGA Super Center</p> <p>UMB Bank</p> <p>City of Indep. – Police Dept.</p> <p>Medical Center of Indep</p>
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Class of 1995

<p>Carol Sue Bass</p> <p>Ron Bruch*</p> <p>Brent Caswell</p> <p>Paul Dextras</p> <p>Karla Edwards</p> <p>Bob Glaser*</p> <p>Lori Harp*</p> <p>Tricia Helm</p> <p>Alissa Helmer Glaser</p> <p>Rick Hemmingsen*</p> <p>Deborah Marlowe</p> <p>Helen Matson*</p> <p>Steven Mauer*</p> <p>Anna Margaret McGuire</p> <p>Joy Rushing</p> <p>Dolores Sabia</p> <p>William Torres</p> <p>Ben Weir, Jr.</p> <p>Paul Weston</p> <p>Susan Widick*</p>	<p>Independence School Dist.</p> <p>Metzler Brothers Insurance</p> <p>City of Independence – Fire Dept</p> <p>KAR-MAN Mngt. Services Inc.</p> <p>Summit Bank of Kansas City</p> <p>CEAH Realtors</p> <p>Gary L. Helm, Attorney at Law</p> <p>Alissa's Flowers and Gifts</p> <p>Indep. Chamber of Commerce</p> <p>Independence School Dist.</p> <p>City of Independence</p> <p>Bryan Cave LLP</p> <p>Blue Springs School District</p> <p>City of Independence</p> <p>Medical Center of Independence</p> <p>Torres Consulting Engineers, Inc.</p> <p>Formerly w/The Examiner</p> <p>Boatmen's Bank</p> <p>Susan Widick, DDS, PC</p>
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Class of 1997

<p>Yasmine Chapman</p> <p>Sharon Dankenbring*</p> <p>Wendy Ehling</p> <p>Mark Ferguson</p> <p>Steve Hunter*</p> <p>Dan Jeffers</p> <p>John Jones</p> <p>Richard Kochuyt</p> <p>Sue Kriss</p> <p>Nancy Loving</p> <p>Vernon Meckel*</p> <p>Paul Richards</p> <p>Tom Riederer</p> <p>Patricia Schumacher*</p> <p>Tom Waters*</p> <p>Duane Wheaton</p> <p>Paul Wooten</p>	<p>City of Independence</p> <p>The Examiner</p> <p>NationsBank</p> <p>TeamBank N.A.</p> <p>Robert G. Fisher</p> <p>City of Indep. – Fire Dept.</p> <p>Nu-Look Car Care Inc.</p> <p>Indep. Regional Health Center</p> <p>Community Services League</p> <p>Independence Center</p> <p>RE/MAX Professionals</p> <p>Southwest Johnson County Economic Developmnt Corp</p> <p>Formerly w/Independence School District</p> <p>Corporate CopyPrint</p> <p>City of Indep. – Water Dept.</p> <p>Ft. Osage R-1 School Dist.</p>
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L.E.A.D GRADUATES / 1998 - 2001

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Class of 1998

Sandy Bahrenburg	Bank of America
Konnie Bullard, MSSG*	The Rehabilitation Center of Independence
Amy Burnett	Barbour Concrete Company
Karen Ferguson	Commerce Bank
Eileen Gingrass	Formerly w/Space Center KC
Bruce Hahl	City of Independence
Nancy Jackson-Bates	
Sandra Kuny	City of Indep. – Power & Light
Selene Madrid*	Heartland Home Health and Hospice
Susan Naylor	Community of Christ
Jim Pinkins	Special Neighbors, Inc.
Ann Richards	Richards IGA
Jerry Rooker	Indep. Regional Health Cntr.
Steven Scott	Fort Osage School District
Sue Shirk*	Square Consultants, Inc.
John Weir	Retired
Londia Wright	City of Independence
Terry Young	AMR

Class of 1999

Dan Boyer	Galen Boyer Motors Inc.
Dale Brendel*	The Examiner
Rob Buell*	City of Indep. – Power & Light
Don DeBoard*	City of Indep. – Police Dept.
Don "Woody" Duncan	Sterling National Bank
Chelle Farrand	C. Farrand Studios
Marcia Haskin	MBH Consulting Inc.
Keith Higgins	Morrill & Janes Bank
Pat Johnson	Your Secretary
Jennifer Kilpack	Community of Christ
John Main	City of Indep. – Police Dept.
Diana Marr*	Independence Tourism
Scot Morrissey	The Examiner
Randy Vest	City of Indep. – Water Dept.

Class of 2000

Sparky Aldridge	Broome Cadillac - Oldsmobile
Natalie Barfield	Guaranty Land Title Ins. Inc.
Nancy Boyd	Commerce Bank
Vaughn Cornish*	Schmidt, Cornish & Smith CPAs
Katie Davis	Independence Surgical Clinic Inc
Joyce DePeralta	American Red Cross
Jamie Franklin*	City of Indep. – Power & Light
Randy Fricke	David L. King-Farmers Insurance
Janet Goucher	City of Independence
Robert Heacock*	City of Independence
Robert Kaleikau	Community Works Devlpmt. Corp.
Claudia Ketterlin*	Independence School District
Alexandra Kuebler	Special Olympics of Kansas
Aaron Laughlin	Indep. Regional Health Center
Michelle Pearson	Auto Mart Magazine
Clare Roberts	Met. Comm College-Blue River
Ron Rybarczyk	BP Products North America Inc
Cheryl Tinsley*	City of Indep. – Water Dept.
Marcia VanVelzen	Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
Kelvin Walls	Midwest Ear Nose & Throat

Class of 2001

Sandy Davidson	Stewart Title of Kansas City
Renee Freers	Truman High School
Kendra Friend	Community of Christ
Jon Gann	Wornall Secure Business Solutions
Kevin Garry	Arch Wireless
Nancy Kimak*	Kimak's Pest Control Inc.
Debbie Lemen	The Examiner
James Mangas	APAC Kansas Inc. – Indep. Branch
Karen Maxwell-Strahl*	City of Independence
Annette Miller*	Independence School District
Marsha Oldham*	Carpet Direct
Stanley Shurmantine*	IBS Industries Inc.
John Sommer*	John Sommer, Attorney
Patrick Steele	City of Independence
R. Duane Stephens	First Presbyterian Church
Kelly Summers	Cargo Largo
James Tipton	Recovery Management Corp.
Juliana Totta	Iron Stone Bank
Marcie Vanbebber	Fort Osage School Dist.
Tom Weir*	Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
Eddie White	City of Indep. – Police Dept.
David Wilke	Commerce Bank
Jack Willis	The Examiner
Greg Worthen	Olin Credit Union

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L.E.A.D GRADUATES / 2002 - 2003

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Class of 2002

Karen Blessing
 Dan Boles
 Brian Crotty
 Teresa Freeland*

 Beth Hammock
 Bob Harper*
 Paul Hunting*
 Nolette King

 John Mark Lambertson*

 Tom Lancaster
 Sheila Morgan
 Larry Peterson
 Rita Porter
 Rebecca Roberts*
 Shelley Ruhlman
 Suzanne Smith
 Matt Smithmier

 Joe Williams, AIA*

Fort Osage School District
 Commerce Bank
 Lake City Credit Union
 Independence Chamber of
 Commerce
 Independence School District
 ACS Electronic Systems
 The Examiner
 Formerly w/Blue Ridge Bank &
 Trust Co.
 National Frontier Trails
 Museum
 City of Indep. – Water Dept.
 IBS Industries
 The Salvation Army
 Simon Property Group
 The Travel Store
 Community of Christ
 City of Independence
 Independence Regional
 Health Center
 Berger Devine Yaeger

Class of 2003

Richard Atchley
 Jeane Ann
 Baumgartner*
 Donna Bennett
 Jack Combs
 Angela Connelly
 Fran Daniel

 Mary Derrington
 Kim Downey Noble*

 Kevin Driskell
 Jan Ferguson*
 Barbara Langley*
 Christina Leakey
 Fred Mills*

 Sheryl Monteil*
 Michael Otto
 Larry Porter
 Kevin Quinn
 LeGita Scott-Williams
 Sandy Seidelman*
 Stacie Short*

 Kay Sims
 Alana Titus
 Chris Trick

 Leonard Westbrook
 Poul Wilson
 Wib Woodson

Cargo Largo

 Fastsigns
 Community Services League
 Commerce Bank
 Health Midwest
 Northwest Communities
 Development Corp
 City of Independence
 Kim Downey Noble Agency
 State Farm Insurance
 Missouri Gas Energy
 Ferguson Group
 YMAA Publication Center
 City of Independence
 Retired / City of Indep. –
 Police Dept.
 IBS Industries, Inc.
 Fort Osage School District
 City of Indep. – Water Dept.
 The Examiner
 Connections to Success
 Park University
 Montacie Development
 Corp.
 The Examiner
 Intensive Family Counseling
 Auto Club of MO Insurance
 & Travel Services
 Independence Board of Ed.
 Community of Christ
 Recovery Management Corp

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L.E.A.D GRADUATES / 2004 - 2005

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Class of 2004

Cassandra Alexander	National American University
Nina Anders*	Scandinavia Place
Chris Booth*	Carrabba's Italian Grill
Russell Brock	Independence School District
Luke Daniel	The Examiner
Jane Doerflinger*	Formerly w/Indep. Chamber of Commerce (Retired)
Dennis Enslinger	Century 21 – Santa Fe
Nancy Eppert*	Omnibus Theatre Company
Chad Fahlenkamp	American Medical Response
Allen Garner*	City of Independence
Brad Hill	Fishnet Security
Kelly Logan*	IBS Secure Document Solutions
Steven McCrosson	Community of Christ
Lois McDonald	Main Street Coffee House
Matthew McLaughlin*	City of Indep. – Water Dept.
Donna Pittman*	Curt's Famous Meats
Regina Przetak	Community Services League
Doreen Scarborough	UMB Bank
Sandra Schiess*	City of Indep. – Fire Dept.
Mark Simcosky*	Metzler Brothers Insurance
Cotton Sivils*	Hillcrest Ministries of Eastern Jackson County
Stephanie Smith*	Fort Osage School District
Elizabeth Streich*	Independence Board of Ed.
Marjie Underwood	Midland Marble & Granite
Ray Van Jones	Retired / The Examiner
Susan Waters*	Corporate CopyPrint
Scott Welman	Husch & Eppenberger LLC

Class of 2005

Sharon Anderson	National American University
Sue Crumpton*	Community Services League
Kim Felz*	Nativity of Mary School
Suzannah Frisbie	Formerly w/Walton Construction
Mary Glover	Church of the Heavenly Rest in Abilene, TX
Thomas Heinkel*	City of Indep. – Water Dept.
Jim Hinson*	Independence School Dist.
Kathy Hoff	St. Mary's Medical Center
Nedra Hoover*	Independence Chamber of Commerce
Ryan Jones*	IBS Secure Document Solutions
Gerry McReynolds*	City of Indep. – Power & Light
Jeff Morgan	Formerly w/HCA Midwest Division
Ryan Naber	Bank Midwest
Anissa Nelson*	Casburn Nelson CPAs PC
Brian Noller	Fort Osage School District
Dana Postlethwait*	Encore Staffing
Dayla Bishop Schwartz*	City of Independence
Lathem Scott	M & I Bank
David Smith	Metropolitan Community College – Blue River
Rick Taylor	Mainline Printing
Sandy Turner	The Examiner
Jeffrey Umbreit	City of Independence – George Owens Park
Dawn Wallace*	M & I Bank
beth webb*	The Groves
Herb Webb	City of Independence
Mark Widner*	City of Indep.– Fire Department
Jonathan Zerr	Kapke & Willerth LLC

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L.E.A.D GRADUATES / 2006 - 2007

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Class of 2006

Warren Adams-Leavitt*	Northwest Communities Development Corporation
Cheryl Bradley*	Bank of the West
Raymond Crabtree*	Commerce Bank
Cindy Culp-Nance*	City of Indep. – Fire Dept.
Alan Davison	Davison Properties
Karen DeLuccie*	DeLuccie and O’Hara Law Office
Lisa Dye	
Richard Edwards	National Frontier Trails Museum
Patrick Farrell*	Sibley Orchards & Cider Mill
Greg Finke*	Stewardship Capital Ltd.
Christy Gillespie*	Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites
Rhonda Jacoby*	Blue Springs School District
Sandra Kiehne*	Independence School District
Kim King*	Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
Eric Mann*	Dial Realty of Kansas City Corp
Thomas McDonald	Hallmark Cards
Mike Moores*	Berger Devine Yaeger
Kimberly Mullendore*	Formerly w/AMR
John Peel	Formerly w/The Examiner
Tiffany Robinson*	American Medical Response
John Ruddy	Fort Osage School District
Terry Storey	City of Indep.- Police Dept.
Diana Washburn*	Why Our Team Inc.
Bob Wayman*	Unilever
Aimee Wells*	City of Independence
Brian Yarbrough*	Edward Jones

Class of 2007

Sonci Bleckinger*	M & I Bank
Shawna Clay*	Secure Document Solutions – Division of IBS Industries
Carol Cox	City of Independence
Collin Dietiker*	City of Independence
Peter DiPrima*	Unilever
Brandon English*	Bank Midwest NA
Cathi Glanville*	Space Center Kansas City Inc.
Nick Hadley*	1 st Financial Bank
Cam Hendry	American Medical Response
Jeanetta Issa*	Child Abuse Prevention Association
Jason Krout	American Medical Response
Diana McClellan*	Blue Ridge Bank & Trust Co.
Scott McMahan*	Unilever
Kate Schwaller	Andrew Drumm Institute
Ann Smith-Tate*	City of Independence
Brad Thompson	Fort Osage School District
Doug Thompson	City of Indep. – Police Dept.
Mike Vochatzer*	Corporate CopyPrint
Joyce Wolfe*	Trudy Beard CPA PC

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L.E.A.D GRADUATES / 2008 - 2009

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Class of 2008

Alex Acsenvil*
Kevin Allgeyer*
Pat Barnhard*
April Brown*
Delores Buffa*
Diana Castillo*
Glen Davis*
Jan Davis*
Cheryl DeHaan*
Cindi Dodson*
Robin Downs*
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Travis Forbes*
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