

## Women's Network Bios

Judith L. Ernst (Judy)

**The Bank of Missouri** (34 years)

**Vice President** - Sr. Retail Sales Officer

(W) 547-6541 ext 2016

Perryville Native

Married to Karlie Ernst (Sabreliner Corp.)

Two Sons: Philip and Stephen

One Daschund: Cocoa De' Weinie

I enjoy my attempt at playing golf, hiking, bicycling, and cheerleading at my sons sports.

Debra Austin

My name is Debbie Austin. I have been employed with **Rhodes 101 Stops** for 25 years and am currently the District Manager for the Perryville area and Ste. Genevieve stores. I have been married to my husband, Paul, for 10 years. I have a son, Brent, who is 23 years old. I also have a step-son, Nathan. He and his wife had a baby boy last year, so I am the proud grandma of Logan.

Hobbies include: Horseback riding, gardening, and crafts.



**Melissa Hemmann**

**Title: Executive Director of the Perryville Area Chamber of Commerce.**

Contact info: 573-547-6062 or e-mail at [perryvillemo@sbcgobal.net](mailto:perryvillemo@sbcgobal.net).

We are located at 2 W. Ste. Maries Street in Perryville, MO

I am married to Ben Hemmann and have two children, Hanna 10 and Gavin 3.

I have worked at the Chamber of Commerce since 2004 and love working with the business community!

Hobbies include golfing with friends, playing cards, boating, and traveling.

Sandra K. (Buchheit) Lane

I am married and have two children

**Employer: The Bank of Missouri (Since Nov. 1995)**

**Title: Vice-President of Loan Compliance**

Duties: Insure the bank and its staff is following all federal and state lending laws and regulations. Read, interpret, and implement procedures for new laws and regulations as they become effective.

Barb Casper

My husband Lynn and I moved from Bloomington, Illinois in 2006, when I became the **Manager of Member Services at Citizens Electric**. My areas of responsibility include Customer Service, public relations, communications, key accounts, and key accounts management. We thoroughly enjoy living in this area and enjoy frequent visits from our 6 grown children, their spouses and 13 grandchildren.

Bonnie Schnurbusch

**Reporter/Photographer - The Republic-Monitor**

Work details include interviewing people, writing stories, covering events (sports is my "thing" during season) and helping out around the office when needed. Live at 3492 PCR 322. Husband Paul, (Works at Robinson Construction) two children, Matt 17, and Heather 14. I have two dogs, Astro and Shelby, one cat Molly. Love to camp, fish, garden, shop and hang out at home when there is spare time. Hobbies: Reading, Watching Football, Photography, and Spending Time with Friends.

Amanda Helfrich

**Perry County Memorial Hospital  
Marketing/Asst. to Dept. Director and  
The Republic-Monitor -Reporter**

Husband: Ian

Daughter: Payton

Hobbies/Interests: Gardening/Landscaping, Photography, Cooking/Baking, Spending time with family.

Diane M. Geile

**Schaefer Water Centers**

**Sales and Marketing for 12 years.**

Prior to working for Schaefer Water Centers I worked for KFVS-12 and Buchheit Inc.

I am the youngest of 9 children and I have been married to Keith Geile since 1986.

We have 2 kids, Ryan and Jade.... Note - no where close to 9 kids for me.

However, I just recently became a grandma and wow does that make me feel old.

At Schaefer Water Centers I do the marketing and sales coordination between our 6 offices. We have locations in Cape Girardeau, Perryville, Leadington, Herculaneum, and Union all in Missouri as well as an office in Millstadt Illinois. I concentrate most of my efforts in the residential water improvement category for Schaefer's. We exhibit at a majority of the home shows and county fairs in the region.

Schaefer Water Centers recently opened our own bottling plant. With the opening of our new bottled water facility we also introduced the very first lightweight bag-o-water pkg in the world. Schaefer Water helped engineer and designed this product from the ground level up. It has been an interesting journey and I love the work that I do. I don't have very much time for hobbies so in my spare time I like to go to games and cheer on the St. Vincent Indian

Peggie Sutterer

I own and operate **TLC Day Care Pre-school**. I am licensed by the state and run my business in the basement of my home. My assistant and I care for 10 children. I have been in business for over 25 years. I **truly appreciate** the fact that the parents I work for trust us with their most precious gift. I take pride in the fact that the parents we work for can better serve our community knowing that their children are loved and cared for.

Kelly Martin

**Employer: Cape Printing Co.**

**Title: Account Representative**

Duties: Customer Service & Sales

Contact Information: 573.517.7081 or email [kellyleemartin@gmail.com](mailto:kellyleemartin@gmail.com) - located at 11 W. St.

Joseph Street in Perryville

Husband/Children: 2 wonderful sons - Garrett & Nate

Groups/Clubs: Perryville Chamber, Volunteer for my children's sports teams

Interests/hobbies: When not attending one of the boys many sporting events, I love to ride horses or relax with family and friends.



**Robynne (Hart) Duvall**

**Employer: C M Brown & Associates, Inc**

**Title: Insurance Producer**

Duties: Our agency specializes in commercial truck insurance. We currently write coverage in MO and the surrounding states for trucking companies with 1 unit up to 1000 units.

Contact Information: You can contact me at [robynne@cmbrown.net](mailto:robynne@cmbrown.net) or 547-4508.

Children: My children include Chelsea, Taylor, and Dalton.

Groups/Clubs: I attend Immanuel Lutheran Church and help with the youth group activities as well as teach Sunday school. I am also on the Board of Directors at the Perryville Chamber of Commerce.

Interests/hobbies: I'm not sure these are hobbies but I also bartend at KC and help prepare taxes at PPS Tax Service during tax season. In my spare time (spare time, yeah, what's that) I enjoy spending time with my family, watching the kids play sports and I love to read.

Jill Thieret

**Employer: Perryville Area Chamber of Commerce**

**Title: Administrative Assistant**

Duties: Assist with Chamber sponsored events, update and maintain Chamber website, update and maintain membership data duties, daily office duties

Contact Information: Ph: 573-547-6062

Fax: 573-547-6071

Email: [perryvillechamber@sbcglobal.net](mailto:perryvillechamber@sbcglobal.net)

Husband/Children: I am married to Matt Thieret and have 3 girls, Trinity, Aubrie, & Adalynn and one son, Dalton.

Groups/Clubs: Member of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Interests/hobbies: I like to spend time with my family, and doing anything outdoors!

Jessica Krauss

**Employer: Perry County Memorial Hospital**

**Title: Marketing**

Duties: Coordinate annual golf tournament, women's conference, employee anniversary celebration, employee picnic and Christmas party, coordinate blood drives, keep website current, manage digital sign on campus, editor of HealthScene, develop all marketing materials for print, and many, many other jobs you don't want to know about!

Contact Information: 768-3205

Husband/Children: Brad Krauss (husband), Brandon & Waylon Krauss (sons)

Groups/Clubs: Women's Network - is there anything else?!?

Treasurer for our church Tuition Fund, Immanuel PTL, serve on church pictorial directory committee, Immanuel's Ham & Beef Dinner committee, church picnic committee and website committee, PCMH Customer Relations Committee, Women's Conference Committee Chairperson, Golf Committee Chairperson, Employee Anniversary Committee, probably some others that I'll remember when I get the notice about the meeting.

Interests/hobbies: Scrapbooking (I'm a consultant with Creative Memories) and spending time with my family.

Brenda Marie Kluesner

**Employer: Cape Girardeau Printing**

**Title: Account Representative**

Contact Information: [brendakluesner@gmail.com](mailto:brendakluesner@gmail.com) - Cape office 573.651.3377 - Perryville office 573.517.7081

Husband/Children: Husband - Rob Kluesner

Children - Nick Kluesner & Anna Kluesner

Interests/hobbies: Sports, Games & Gardening

Brandy Neal

**Employer: Perryville Outdoor Products**

**Title: Customer Service Specialist**

Duties: Maintain Equipment Parts Inventory, Sales

Husband/Children: Married to Matt and has a daughter MaKayla and son Wyatt-both students at Immanuel Lutheran School

Groups/Clubs: Member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Chamber of Commerce Women's Network

Interests/hobbies: Spending time with my family, Scrapbooking.

Jennifer Janet

**Employer: Coldwell Banker Professional Associates**

**Title: Broker/Owner**

Duties: As an owner, I wear many hats. I coordinate and manage the office duties, educate and train my associates, plan office activities as well as bookkeeping, marketing and even cleaning. I actively work in the real estate field by listing and selling in the Perry County and surrounding areas. I also specialize in assisting distressed homeowners and first time homebuyers.

Contact Information: 573-547-1000;

[Jennifer.janet@coldwellbanker.com](mailto:Jennifer.janet@coldwellbanker.com)

Husband/Children: Nicholas Janet

Groups/Clubs: I am a member of the Perryville Area Chamber of Commerce, Member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church Board of Outreach, OASIS program at Immanuel Lutheran School, Member of the Grievance Committee for the Missouri Association of Realtors, and Member of the Education Committee for the Cape Girardeau Board of Realtors.

Interests/hobbies: I enjoy gardening, reading, photography, cooking and spending time with family and friends. Recently, I have taken an interest in helping others improve their financial situations, pay off debt and build wealth by leading Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Natalie Robinson

**Employer: C.M. Brown & Associates, Inc.**

**Title: Insurance Producer**

Duties: I specialize in providing truck insurance coverage for Owner Operators and Fleets based throughout Missouri and Illinois.

Contact Information: 573-547-4508 (work) 573-547-7451 (home) email: [natalie@cmbrown.net](mailto:natalie@cmbrown.net)

Husband/Children: I am married to Corey Robinson and have two children, Drake and Rylee.

Groups/Clubs: Women's Network

Interests/hobbies: Volleyball, shopping and exercising.



Jane Myers

I am a mortgage loan officer @ The Bank of Missouri in Cape Girardeau.

I have worked for the Bank 12 years. I live in Uniontown, with my husband Hank. We have 3 girls. Rachel married to Jeff Ostendorf, they have 1 daughter, Erin. Robin married to Nick Miesner, and Sasha go to Mineral Area and lives at home. I enjoy fishing, gardening, reading, and volunteering for the Relay for Life.

Deanna Kline

**Employer: The Bank of Missouri**

Contact Information: work: 573-547-6541  
Cell: 573-768-5187

Husband/children: Jeffrey Kline, spouse  
Chris & Kyle are my children  
Interest/Hobbies: camping, outdoors events and gardening.

Jane Trapp

**Employer: The Bank of Missouri**

**Title: Vice-President/Loan Officer**  
Duties: Consumer Real Estate Lender , Consumer Lender and Community Reinvestment Act Officer

Husband/Children: Ken Trapp, Brandon Trapp and Melissa Trapp  
Groups/Clubs: Perryville Country Club, St. Vincent De Paul Parish, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club  
Interests/hobbies: Golf, swimming, gardening

Tracie Hotop

**Employer: The Bank of Missouri**

**Title: Vice President**  
Duties: Mortgage Lending  
Contact Information: [thotop@bankofmissouri.com](mailto:thotop@bankofmissouri.com)  
Husband/Children: Husband - Don

1 canine child- our spoiled lab - Sophie  
Groups/Clubs: Chamber of Commerce  
Habitat for Humanity - Development Committee  
Interests/hobbies: Reading, Music, Interior Design, Landscape Gardening, and Dogs

Meredith Gruenwald

**Employer: Perry County Women's Care/Essential Elements**

**Title: Family Nurse Practitioner**

Duties: Provide healthcare for women including well women exams, contraception, and GYN issues as well as aesthetic services for laser hair removal, photo-facials and vein treatment.

Contact Information: Work 547-4899  
Husband/Children: Kevin- spouse; Rachael & Kristen  
Interests/hobbies: Camping, reading, going to wineries.

KAREN FREEMAN

**Employer: THE BANK OF MISSOURI**

**Title: LOAN ADMINISTRATOR**  
Duties: Assist Jane Trapp & Tracie Hotop with all types of loans.

Contact Information: HOME: 573-547-2778,  
WORK: 573-547-6541 EXT 2041  
Husband/Children: Mark (Doc) Freeman, Melissa, Kelsie & Kerrie  
Groups/Clubs: Member of Perryville United Methodist Church

Interests/hobbies: Playing cards (Texas Hold'em), Shopping, watching our girls play softball

Jennifer Lauck

**Employer: Mississippi River Radio**

**Title: Marketing Consultant**  
Duties: I meet with clients to discuss ways to grow their business through radio advertising. I help them create a message for their radio commercials that promotes their marketing campaign. I help them create an effective advertising plan by using commercials, promotions and events the radio station has throughout the year. I have worked for MRR since May 2006.

Education: I graduated high school in May 2002 from St. Vincent High School. I graduated college in May 2006 from Southeast Missouri State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Integrated Marketing Communications.

Contact Information:  
324 Broadway  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
573-335-8291(office)  
573-768-2533(cell)  
[jennifer@riverradio.net](mailto:jennifer@riverradio.net)

Husband/Children: I got married on May 16, 2009 to Matthew Lauck. Matt has worked for Richardet Floor Covering for 10 years.

Groups/Clubs: I'm a member of St. Vincent DePaul Church, Perryville Chamber of Commerce and Women's Network.

Interests/hobbies: I enjoy exercising, golfing, traveling and spending time with friends and family. I have also become very involved with my husband in property investment. Matt and I currently have a home for sale on Bruce Street that we remodeled. We hope to start a subdivision on the property behind it this year.

#### Tammie Lowes

**Employer: Paycheck Payroll Services**

**Title: Owner**

**Duties:**

Manage the operations of our payroll and tax business. We process payrolls and manage payroll taxes for businesses across the United States. We also prepare and electronically file income tax returns for individuals.

**Contact Information:**

573-547-3662 (office)

tammie@paycheckpayroll.com (email)

www.paycheckpayroll.com (website)

**Husband/Children:**

Married to Curtis Lowes, we have three daughters, Stephanie, Chelsi, and Brooke.

**Groups/Clubs:**

Member of the American Payroll Association, National Society of Accountants, and National Society of Tax Professionals.

**Interests/hobbies:**

I enjoy scrapbooking, golfing, reading, and soduko puzzles.



**Cora Preston**

**Employer: Lamar Advertising**

**Title: Account Executive**

**Duties:** I work with clients on placing outdoor advertisements. I help them with activities such as

choosing the best location to reach their potential customers to designing their artwork to keep their message in line with their current marketing campaign.

**Contact Information:** 573-701-5763 - cell phone and 573-431-4414 - office

**Husband/Children:** Neither at this time ☺

**Groups/Clubs:** Member of the Perryville Chamber of Commerce, on the Perryville Chamber Board of Directors, member of Women's Network, and a member of the Ste. Genevieve Chamber of Commerce.

**Interests/hobbies:** I like to go boating, spend time with family and friends, travel, and go to Cardinals games!

#### Laura (Brewster) Helmers

**Employer: Perryville Outdoor Products**

**Title: Office Manager**, although I help out anywhere needed.

**Duties:** Mainly I take care of A/R, A/P and most office duties. But if I am needed out front I am learning parts look up and writing service repairs.

**Contact Information:** You can contact me at

[laura@perryvilleoutdoorproducts.com](mailto:laura@perryvilleoutdoorproducts.com) or 547-9996.

**Husband/Children:** I married Matt Helmers in 2004 and has a daughter, Avery.

**Pets:** We have 2 horses named Lucky and Sugar.

**Groups/Clubs:** I am a member of Immaculate Conception Church of St. Mary, Perryville Chamber of Commerce and Women's Network.

**Interests/Hobbies:** I love to spend time with my family, riding our horses, playing softball, gardening and anything really outdoors.

#### Kristen M. Klaus

**Employer: The Bank of Missouri**

**Title: Senior Marketing Director**

**Contact Info:** 573-547-6541 or e-mail @

[kklaus@bankofmissouri.com](mailto:kklaus@bankofmissouri.com)

**Groups/Clubs:** Secretary/Treasurer - Perryville Chamber of Commerce, Women's Network, Development Chair - Habitat for Humanity

**Husband:** Kris Klaus

**Children:** Henry Klaus

**Hobbies:** Golfing, Cycling, Traveling, Reading, Exercising and spending time with family and friends.



**Debbie Gahan**

I am the Mayor of Perryville and also work part time at *The Republic-Monitor* newspaper as an artist, proofreader and columnist. You can call me at City Hall (573-547-2594) or the paper (573-547-4567). I'm not always at one place or the other, but the staff will get a message to me. I'm married to John Gahan and we have four grown children, Michael, Jack Patrick and Brigid and four grandchildren, Sean, Colleen, Meghan and Corey Jean. I enjoy a variety of hobbies and interests, mostly involving the arts and sports

**Alison Sutterer**

**Employer: Mississippi River Radio**

**Title: Sales Representative**

Duties: Meet with clients to discuss ways to grow their business through radio advertising. I sell commercials, promotions and events the radio station has throughout the year. I have worked for MRR since April, 2003.

Education:

I graduated from St. Vincent's High School, I went to college at Meramec and UMSL and graduated in 2003 with a Bachelor's Degree in Marketing.

Contact Information:

324 Broadway

Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

573-335-8291(office)

573-768-6775(cell)

Husband/Children: I'm engaged to Chris Porter, we are getting married October 2, 2010 and we have a one year old daughter Janie

Groups/Clubs: Perryville Chamber of Commerce, Women's Network

Interests/hobbies:

I recently completed Missouri Real Estate classes and work as a sales associate for Coldwell Banker part time. I also love to read, especially about health, nutrition and disease prevention which comes in handy for my other part time job as a Juice Plus representative. My favorite hobby is spending time with my family and watching my daughter learn and grow.



**Amanda Layton**

**Employer: The Republic-Monitor**

**Title: Reporter/Staff Writer**

Duties: I cover and write about community wide events and happenings for the local newspaper  
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(home) email: [alyaton@perryvillemews.com](mailto:alyaton@perryvillemews.com)

Husband/Children: Married to Tobey Layton, children, Jessalyn, Ethan, and Hannah Layton

Groups/Clubs: Chamber of Commerce Women's Network

Interests/hobbies: Reading, gardening and keeping the children in cookie bars for class parties.

**Rachelle A. Janet (Shelly)**

**Employer: Eagle Bank & Trust Company (19 years)**

**Title: Operations Officer/AVP**

**Contact Information: 573-547-4581 or**

**[rjanet@eaglebankandtrust.com](mailto:rjanet@eaglebankandtrust.com)**

I am married to Michael Janet and have two great kids, Lucas 15 and Emma 12.

Groups/Clubs: Member of Chamber of Commerce, Women's Network and St. Vincent De Paul Parish

Interest/Hobbies: I enjoy boating, motorcycle riding (as a passenger only), reading, playing cards and watching my kids play sports.