

AUGUST 2009

Upcoming Events

Movie in the Park

Friday, Aug. 21 at dusk
Riverwalk Amphitheater,
downtown Jackson

Kids' Fest - Chelsea

Wednesday, Aug. 26
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Timbertown Park

Used Vehicle Sale moves to fairgrounds

American 1's fall used vehicle sale returns to the Jackson County Fairgrounds in September.

Join us Friday, Sept. 11 and Saturday, Sept. 12 for more vehicles, more savings, and better deals.

News & updates on our blog

A lot can happen in-between months you get our newsletter.

For more immediate, relevant news, visit our blog at: american1.wordpress.com

There, you'll find auto loan tips, fraud warnings, event photos, branch updates, and special contests.

Auto Loan Experts:

Grab a great deal

Shopping for a car shouldn't be a hassle. Neither should finding the financing.

American 1 makes both parts easy. We're auto loan experts, and we can help you find a great used vehicle and get you financed.

Our Member Service Specialist can help you through the auto loan, step by step, providing options and advice you can use.

Get pre-approved, then go shopping for the car or truck you love. After that, getting you financed is easy. Stop in to any branch to get started!



ScamWatch: be safe with social media

The world of social media is growing exponentially. Facebook and Twitter are attracting users in droves, but it's important to keep your personal information safe while using these sites.

Social media sites are places where friends, coworkers, and family can gather online and share thoughts, photos, and events. The close-knit communities make the danger for fraud even greater than impersonal scam sites.

Remember to never give your personal or financial information to just anyone. Just because someone appears to be a friend or relative doesn't mean they really are: hackers can take control of social media

profiles in order to solicit banking or private information.

As with e-mail, text messages, and instant messaging applications, be careful when clicking on links or responding to requests for information.

And never, ever share your account number or social security number to just anyone online.

beware!



American 1 is becoming more involved in social media sites, but we recognize the potential for illegal activity. So should you.

Kids' Fest: Chelsea event grows

The last Kids' Fest of the season, this time in Chelsea, comes to you Wednesday, Aug. 26 at Timbertown Park.

Bring the kids and join American 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for our second Chelsea Kids' Fest event. Enjoy crafts, prizes, free snacks, and games. Kids can learn from local vendors about health, safety, and the environment.

Kids' Fest is free to attend!



Lighten the load: Back-to-school shopping with Visa

Back-to-school shopping shouldn't be a heavy burden, especially in these days of tighter budgets.

Look to American 1's Visa card options to get the relief you need. With an American 1 Visa Gold or Classic card, you can consolidate all your expenses into one easy-to-pay bill.



Shopping from store to store and using several retail charge cards can be a hassle. Different due dates, different balances, difference rates — it's all too much for the average family to monitor.

With one simple, affordable card, you can cut back on all that shopping homework.

American 1 provides several card options, all with affordable payments, competitive rates, and none of the sneaky fees and rate hikes that you get from other big bank credit cards.

Get pre-approved today, and take the weight out of back-to-school shopping.

College and beyond smart for grads

Know a college student heading to school this fall? Let them know about American 1's College and Beyond program, a special account that makes saving and spending easy no matter where they go to school.

Our College and Beyond program offers a pre-qualified Visa card with a \$500 limit, free debit card, free box of checks, and free online banking — perfect for managing their money on campus.

College is a good time for students to learn about how to managing their financial life. American 1 can help them get started.

Visit the "Youth" page at www.american1fcu.org for more information.



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