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**BANTERRA BANK CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING OF BANTERRA CENTRE
THURSDAY, APRIL 4TH; SIZZLIN' SHOOTOUT FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS**

Cape Girardeau, MO – Banterra Bank is proud to celebrate the grand opening of Banterra Centre on Thursday, April 4th from 3 p.m. – 7 p.m., with a ribbon cutting at 5 p.m. This \$7-million development which broke ground on January 31st, 2012, is located at 1650 North Kingshighway in Cape Girardeau, and is the new location of Banterra Bank which opened on March 4th.

“Banterra Bank was fortunate to partner with The Rhodes Group and provide this three-story, beautiful facility to one of Cape Girardeau’s most popular thoroughfares,” said Ed Carroll, Senior Community Banker for Banterra Bank. “It’s a wonderful opportunity for Banterra to move its current operation into a larger space with customer conveniences such as a three-lane drive thru, as well as offer additional space for Cape Girardeau’s growing small businesses.”

Grand opening guests can “Score Big With Banterra” with celebration activities themed to NCAA’s Final Four Tournament. Guests can start by scoring with Special Olympics with a “Sizzlin’ Shootout” scheduled in the parking lot from 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. Guests can shoot a basketball for Special Olympics. If the guest makes the shot, Banterra donates \$2.50 to Special Olympics. The Special Olympics of Missouri Basketball Team will be on hand playing, and if they make the same shot after the guest, the donation is doubled to \$5.

Guests can also score big by registering now in the branch for grand opening prizes to be given away on April 4th including a 60” VIZIO LED SmartTV, Lifetime 50” Portable Basketball System, Banterra Prize-Loaded Duffle Bag and more. You can also receive giveaways and discounts from nearby neighbors Plaza Tire Company and Missouri Running Company.

Banterra is also offering a grand opening special, a savings of \$450 on home mortgages with Banterra eliminating the processing fee on home mortgage applications taken now through April 30th, when combined with opening a Banterra checking account. This savings is in addition to historically low-interest rates being offered. For information on this offer, contact Jeanne Churchill, Senior Mortgage Consultant at 573-339-5787, ext. 4513 or jmchurchill@banterra.com.

In addition to Banterra Bank being located at Banterra Centre, the new building offers more than 25,000 square-feet of available lease space. For more information on leasing space, contact Scott Rhodes with The Rhodes Group at 573-339-1300.

Banterra Bank began as a single bank in Ridgway, Illinois in July of 1975. Today, Banterra has 30 branches throughout Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri, Southwest Indiana, and Western Kentucky. For more information on Banterra, call 573-339-5787, toll free at 877-541-2265 or go to banterra.com.

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