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Tazewell County Board

Continuing a Family Tradition of Community Service

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***** Press Release *****

Website Update: One Year of Service to the Citizens of Tazewell County

For one year now, the Citizens of Tazewell County have had a website available to them with information concerning Tazewell County, the Tazewell County Board, Local Events and Festivals, and lots of other valuable information. When www.JohnCAckerman.com went live to the public on April 1st, 2009, it was the only website for much of this information. While the Tazewell County Board has since taken action to improve its website, my website has continued to grow and expand the information available.

Here are some statistics concerning the usage of the website over this past year:

- A) Over 4100 visits
- B) Average of 11+ visits per day
- C) Visitors from 28 Countries, 44 States and Washington DC.
- D) Top Ten Cities:
 - 1) Peoria
 - 2) Pekin
 - 3) East Peoria
 - 4) Chicago
 - 5) Groveland & Bloomington
 - 6) Morton
 - 7) Springfield
 - 8) Metamora
 - 9) Normal & Rockford
 - 10) Washington & Creve Coeur

Over the past year, many of you have taken the time to write kind letters expressing your thoughts about the website. Here are a few...

"Give Tazewell County Board Member John C. Ackerman a "sunbeam" award for his role in improving access to public information for his constituents." "we commend Ackerman for filling in the gap and for following through with his campaign pledge to improve communication and access to information."
Bloomington Pantagraph

"John Ackerman has a great site for finding out information about the Tazewell County government that you can't find anywhere else. He includes items like the county board agendas and minutes that until recently weren't even on the county website. He's also got useful links to other sites like the Tazewell Legal Self-Help Center and various government and political sites. I also recommend signing up for his email newsletter. It's a great way to stay informed about events in Tazewell County." **Brian Hibbert, Secretary of the Tazewell County Republican Central Committee**

"John's website, www.JohnCAckerman.com, is a terrific source of cutting-edge information and up-to-date events going on in Tazewell County. I found his site to be an excellent source of Campaign Events and a valuable method to distribute campaign information." **Michael D. Risinger, Republican Candidate for 10th Judicial Judge**

"I really enjoy your comprehensive website. It has been a very helpful resource for my husband's campaign for judge as we navigate the faces and events in Tazewell County. I also have to confess it's fun to browse the photos. Thank you for your hard work and we will continue to look forward to your updates!" **Diane Vespa**

"I would like thank John Ackerman for his attention to detail in his caring for his constituents interests. He will listen to your problem or concern and be straight up with you on how he feels. If you have a new concern he will go the extra distance to research it and get back to you with an answer. You can count on Mr. Ackerman to tell you the truth whatever it may be. Thank you for your public service. Also, his website opens up a window to the world!" **Joe & JoAnn Varda**

"I find John's website a tremendous source of information for the Tri-County Area and beyond. It is rather like one stop shopping for information!" **James Unsicker, Former Tazewell County Board Chairman**

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