## Personal Property and Business Assessment list deadline March 1

Greene County Assessor Rick Kessinger reminds county residents that Sunday, March 1, is the deadline for returning 2009 Personal Property and Business Assessment lists to his office.

Missouri law (RSMo 137.115) requires all Greene County residents and business owners to declare all taxable personal and business property they own as of Jan. 1, 2009, to the assessor. Taxable property includes motor vehicles, boats, trailers, livestock, farm machinery and business-related equipment. The assessment lists are the basis of 2009 personal and business property tax bills, which county residents and business owners receive in November.

Kessinger's office mailed lists to county residents in early January. State law requires residents to fill out and return these lists to county assessors' offices no later than March 1, to avoid late penalties, which range from \$10 to \$100, depending on assessed value. However, because March 1 falls on a Sunday this year, the last day to submit assessment lists to Kessinger's office in person, without penalty, is Friday, Feb. 27. Assessment lists postmarked Saturday, Feb. 28, will also be accepted without penalty.

Residents and business owners who did not receive an assessment list should call the Greene County Assessor's office at 868-4195, or visit the office in the Greene County Historic Courthouse, 940 Boonville, Room 37, Springfield, MO, 65802.

For more information, contact the Greene County Assessor's office at 868-4195; or for media inquiries, call Jenny Fillmer Edwards, Greene County Public Information Officer, at 829-6019 or 379-5713.