## Certified Life Safety title sponsor for Blazin' the Burg



For the last eight years, Chris and Gail Brown have spent their time and energy helping make sure people and companies around the area stay safe — hence the name of their business.

Chris and Gail started Certified Life Safety out of their small Louisburg office in 2007, and since then it has grown by leaps and bounds. Safety and wellness have always been important to the Louisburg couple, which made their company a perfect fit to team up with one of the area's best 5K races — Blazin' the Burg.

Certified Life Safety is the title sponsor of the event and both are excited to be a part of the Louisburg annual race day.

"We have been a part of the Louisburg and Miami County community for over 20 years," Gail said. "This community has given so much to our family that we feel it an honor and a blessing to be able to give back.



"We didn't really think about the connection when we spoke with the chamber about being the title sponsor. However, we feel life safety and wellness are related; being prepared in safety and health promotes well-being in people's lives."

Chris has spent the last 30 years in the fire protection industry, while Gail has 15 years of experience in business administration. Starting their own business seemed like a perfect fit.

Certified Life Safety is a full service fire protection and life safety company providing design, consulting, installation, inspection, testing and maintenance of fire alarm, fire sprinkler, fire extinguisher, emergency lighting, access control and nurse call systems.

The Browns started out with small projects in the Louisburg and Paola areas and very soon saw their business grow. They secured several large clients in Kansas and Oklahoma and eventually they would open two more offices in Greenfield, Mo., and Bartlesville, Okla.

"We feel very fortunate that we have been able to expand and grow into these areas," Gail said.

As for the race itself, Blazin the Burg is in its fifth year

and once again planning for another big crowd to invade downtown Louisburg on Sept. 19.

Registrations for the race are still underway at www.blazintheburg.com and go up until race day. From now until Sept. 17, registration is \$35 and it becomes \$40 on race day. There is also a kids fun run, which is \$15.

Portions of each registration fee will go to benefit the Louisburg Area Recreation Association.

Registered runners and walkers will receive a race T-shirt, chip timing, mile markers, group awards and complimentary refreshments. Festivities on Broadway begin at 4 p.m. and will include live music and local vendors.

On race day, packet pick-up and registration will begin at 4 p.m., and the kids fun run will follow at 5 p.m. The 5K run/walk starts at 6 p.m., with an awards ceremony to follow.