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Vibrant communities with a positive future

Business Appreciation Month

Does your community have a local business that you really appreciate!? Consider nominating them for Kansas Business Appreciation Month through the Kansas Department of Commerce! Business Appreciation Month serves as a statewide tribute to Kansas businesses for their contributions to our state. The awards program takes place each spring and invites individuals and organizations to nominate the proud Kansas businesses that contribute jobs and support their local communities. Finalists are recognized at the Team Kansas awards ceremony in June, with

the top nominee receiving the Governor's Award of Excellence which is the top award given to a business by the state of Kansas. When perusing the webpage I noticed that the past two years PRIDE Communities have won the nomination for Kansas Business Appreciation Month! Third time's a charm!

<http://kansascommerce.com/index.aspx?NID=313>

UPDATE on Day of PRIDE 2014

Just a reminder, Day of PRIDE 2014 will be regional! YES! Regional! On June 14, 2014 Day of PRIDE will be hosted in Larned, Rossville and Humboldt! This year's theme for Day of PRIDE will be Dollars for Dreams! Our day will start at 9am and we will adjourn at 3pm. Registration will be \$30 per person, and includes break snacks and lunch. The day will provide an opportunity to learn about the host community PRIDE's success in funding projects, a speaker on community foundations, round table discussions to learn from other PRIDE communities, recognition, and a presentation on financial resources. A link for registration will be provided as the date approaches, so keep your eyes peeled for website and Facebook updates!

Up for a Community Visit?

Would your community like to have a visit to catch up or visit with Jaime Menon? With her new job responsibilities she hopes to be able to visit as many communities as she can in 2014. If you are interested, please email Jaime at jmenon@ksu.edu.

Events Calendar

March 21, 2014—Business Appreciation Month Nomination Deadline

April 9-10, 2014—Rural Opportunities Conference

May 5, 2014—Community Service Program

Save the Date— Saturday, June 14, 2014—Day of PRIDE

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