



PINE RIDGE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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CHAMBER NEWS

March 2012

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Dear Chamber Members,

2012 is off to a fast start for PRACC. We have a busy schedule planned for this upcoming spring. We are in the midst of planning the upcoming anniversary celebration.

PRACC will host an open house at the visitor center on April 27, 2012. We will have a meet and greet with the artist that have helped produce an extraordinary exhibit.

Back by popular demand, PRACC will once again offer a Pow Wow Celebration with a community meal. This years pow wow will be at Little Wound School in Kyle, SD on April 28, 2012. We are actively seeking sponsorship for the pow wow prizes.

In addition to the pow wow, as part of our Lakota Voices project, we will offer a high school art show in conjunction with Little Wound High School. High school students will compete for cash prizes and a trip to the Northern Plains Indian Art Market held in Sioux Falls, SD. Students will have the opportunity to submit entries in five different categories to be judged. The show will be open to the public April 28, during the pow wow.

We will be sending formal invitations to the open house, art show and pow wow celebration.

PRACC staff attended the 2012 tourism conference in Pierre, SD January 18 & 19. SD tourism has graciously donated booth space for PRACC for the third year. In addition, Ivan Sorbel presented the results of our 2011 cultural training at two break-out sessions. Both sessions were well attended and had very good dialogue.

If you would like to be a guest on the KILI radio show, contact Samantha White at the office or prjobs@gwtc.net. The radio show is Tuesdays at 5:00pm and Samantha is always looking for new material for the show.

PRACC is a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance site and offers tax preparation for basic returns. Many reservation residents are paying for tax preparation through other entities. PRACC can provide services at no cost to individuals. Please remind your employees these services. VITA is a free income tax filing program for individuals to utilize. The return is E-filed and only takes seven to ten days to process. The refund can be direct deposited into an individuals bank account for quicker returns. To date, we have filed 43 returns with an average refund of \$2,824. VITA saves taxpayers thousands of dollars nation wide.

Our site will be open until April 15. FREE TAX PREP

PRACC 12th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
April 28, 2012
Pow Wow Sponsorship Request

Pow Wow Categories-All categories will pay three places. 10 drums will be paid.

Dance Categories 3 places

JR Boys	
Grass	\$100.00
Fancy	\$100.00
Traditional	\$100.00

Jr Girls	
Jingle	\$100.00
Fancy	\$100.00
Traditional	\$100.00

Teen Boys	Teen Boys
Grass	\$150.00
Fancy	\$150.00
Traditional	\$150.00

Teen Girls	Teen Girls
Jingle	\$150.00
Fancy	\$150.00
Traditional	\$150.00

Specials	
Mens Traditional	\$400.00
Womens Traditional	\$400.00
Tiny Tots	
	\$100.00
Drums (10 drums)	\$1,000.00

If your business would like to sponsor one or more of any categories including Drums, Please contact Samantha at 605-455-2685. You may also e-mail prjobs@gwtc.net.

All sponsors paid by April 1, 2011 will be advertised on the event poster. All sponsors will be advertised through the event and on the KILI radio show.

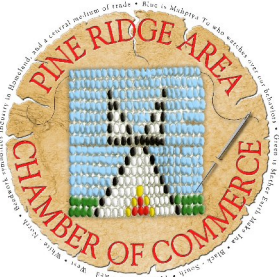
PRACC is a 501 c 3 non profit.
All donations are tax deductible.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 February	27	28 KILI Radio Show 5:00 pm	29	1 March	2	3
4	5	6 KILI Radio Show 5:00pm Elder Day	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 KILI Radio Show 5:00 pm	14	15	16	17 
18	19	20 KILI Radio Show 5:00 pm	21 Elder Day	22	23	24
25	26	27 KILI Radio Show 5:00 pm	28	29	30	31
1 April	2	3 KILI Radio Show 5:00 pm	4	5	6	7

Each member can place one ad per year in the newsletter free. After one each will have a small charge.



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Welcome New Members

Native Protection International Inc
HC 49 Box 135
Porcupine, SD 57772

Badlands Lodge LLC
1 Cedar Street
Interior, SD 57750

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Lil' Angels Inc.
Wakpamni B&B
Heathershaw Designs
CBS Towing
Wolakota Waldorf School
Sandy Swallow Gallery
O'Bryan Contracting Inc
Pine Ridge Subway
Little Wound School

Maison ORION
Security 1st Bank
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Broer Studio
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