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Dear Chamber Members,

This month PRACC will celebrate 11 years. How time flies. Seems like yesterday we were talking about what a Chamber of Commerce would look like on the Pine Ridge Reservation. Not sure we have that figured out yet but our organization is moving in a positive direction.

The 11th anniversary celebration will commence on April 30th, 2011. This year, the event will be held at Red Cloud Indian School. We have a number of activities planned for this year.

We will start off with an artist Whole Sale Market in the little gym at Red Cloud from 9:00am to 11:00 am. This activity is open to all local artist (sellers) and businesses (buyers). Local artist will have the opportunity to sell their products to area galleries and businesses.

At 12:00 noon, the business trade fair will open in the little gym at Red Cloud. This is open to Chamber members to showcase their businesses. If you have not requested space and wish to do so, please contact PRACC soon. Space is limited. There is a \$20 fee per booth.

The pow wow will began at 1:00 pm. This year we will host contests for all Jr. and Teen categories and Adult men's and women's traditional categories. There will also be smaller specials. We are still seeking sponsorship for the contest categories. If you would like to sponsor a category or a special, contact PRACC. See flyers.

April will mark the half way point for our ANA grant. The visitor center is coming along quite well. We have added additional pieces for our original displays. We hope to open a new portion of the building later this spring or early summer. The new space will provide us with additional display area.

PRACC attended the RES 2011 conference in Las Vegas, NV. PRACC had a booth at the conference. The staff met with many people and visited with a number of organizations from Indian Country. Good Contacts for PRACC.

PRACC is a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) site in partnership with the Internal Revenue Service. VITA offers **free** income tax filing for individuals filing simple 1040 returns. Returns are e-filed and take approximately 10 days, saving individuals hundreds of dollars. If you have employees or know someone who has not filed yet, please inform them of this free service.

PRACC hosts a weekly radio show on KILI 90.1 fm, Tuesdays at 5:00 pm. Chamber members are welcome to use the radio show to promote their businesses. If you would like to be a guest on the radio show, contact PRACC and we will schedule you for a show.

Post your jobs, both short term and long term on www.pineridgjobsbank.com. This is a free tool for finding your next employee. You may also post your skills on the jobs bank to search for employment.

PRACC 11^{th} ANNIVERSARY CLELBRATION April 30, 2011

Pow Wow Sponsorship Request

Dance Categories 3 places JR Boys		If your business would like to sponsor one or more of any
Grass	\$100.00	categories including Drums,
Fancy	\$100.00	Please contact PRACC at
Traditional	\$100.00	
Traditional	Ψ100.00	605-455-2685. You may also
Jr Girls		e-mail <u>pracc@gwtc.net</u> .
Jingle	\$100.00	All sponsors paid by April 11,
Fancy	\$100.00	2011 will be advertised on
Traditional	\$100.00	the event poster. All spon-
		sors will be advertised
Teen Boys		through the event and on the
Grass	\$150.00	KILI radio show.
Fancy	\$150.00	PRACC is a 501 c 3 non profit.
Traditional	\$150.00	All donations are tax deduc-
		table.
Teen Girls		tubic.
Jingle	\$150.00	2011 Pow Wow Sponsors
Fancy	\$150.00	Mitom
Traditional	\$150.00	Rachel Bissonette
		Tina Merdanian
Specials		Lakota Funds
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Tiny Tots	\$100.00	

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Address		_					
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City		_					
State, ZIP		_					
Booth Type:	Information Products for	Sale					
PRACC will supply one eight foot table and two chairs. Electricity is available. Businesses will need to furnish their own extension cord and surge protector.							
Return application	with \$20 fee (checks only) payable to:						
Pine Ridge Area Cl PO Box 375 Kyle, SD 57752	hamber of Commerce	RIDGE AND THE RI					

Date Received_____ Check # _____ Booth # _____

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Attention Native Artists!

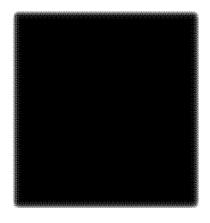
Artists Buyers Market

11th Anniversary Celebration Pow wow & Business Expo Red Cloud Indian School- Little Gymnasium April 30th, 2011 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.



This is a **free event** open to all Pine Ridge Reservation artists.

Opportunity to meet area galleries and sell your products. For More Information Contact PRACC at (605)455-2685





ATTENTION NATIVE ARTISTS!

PRICING ● MARKETING ● PORTFOLIO ● BUDGETING

Professional Development Training

April 6, 2011 9am - 3pm

Heritage Center, Red Cloud Indian School

April 7, 2011 9am – 3pm

Lakota Funds, Lakota Trade Center, Kyle, SD

This hands-on training, provided by experienced Artist/Business trainers, will prepare you to participate in the reservation-wide BUYERS MARKET, scheduled for April 30, 2011, at Red Cloud High School, in conjunction with the Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Business Expo.

Call (605) 348-0324 to reserve your spot today! Brought to you by:









Good Customer Service is the livelihood of any Business!



The trick of the trade is not to have a customer, but to develop a relationship with your customer, so you have a repeat customer! Learn how by sending you and your employees to a Free Customer Service Training brought to you by the Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce. On April 12th from 9:00am-4:00pm at the Pejuta Haka College Center in Kyle, SD. Please contact Samantha White at the Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce to reserve your spot today at 605-455-2785 or email at prjobs@gwtc.net. Space is limited to the first 20 people.

Little Wound High School



Career Day April 13, 2011 10:00 A. M.

Little Wound High School Gymnasium

For more information

Contact Nanette at

605-455-6166

Or

PRACC at

605-455-2685

pracc@gwtc.net

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 OLC 40th Anniversary Pow Wow Kyle, SD
3	4	5 KILI Radio Show 5:00 pm	6 First Peoples Fund Artist Training	7 First Peoples Fund Artist Training	8	9
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COME JOIN US AT THE CHAMBER!

Welcome New Members

RENEWALS

Mid Dakota Diesel, LLC

Broer Studio

Alls Seasons Printing

The Lakota Funds

Wanblee Mart

Wolakota Waldorf School

Sandy Swallow Gallery

Museum of the Fur Trade

See our new "Short Term Labor" posts at:

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