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May 2019 Report

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## Where's Jackie in May...

May 1—Harrison County Commission Connect Strategy Interview

May 1—Regional Extension Council Meeting in Hamilton

May 2—Harrison County Bylaws & Working Policies Sub-committee Meeting

**May 2**—Harrison County Council Meeting

**May 3**—Safety Acres in Maryville

May 8—Offices Closed

**May 8**—Nourish You Celebration in Maryville

May 10—Safety Acres in St. Joseph

**May 11**—A& M Amusement Celebration in Maryville

May 14—Northwest Coalition for Roadway Safety Meeting

May 16—Communities of Excellence Meeting

May 16—Northwest Missouri Enterprise Meeting in Grant City

May 20—Worth County Council Orientation and Council Meeting

May 21-23—MyPI, Youth Preparedness Training

**May 24**—Second day of Missouri Ag Extension Professionals Tour

May 27—Offices Closed

May 29—Northwest Roundtable of Economic Developers, Meeting with the Northeast Developers in Brookfield Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new. - Albert Einstein

## **Community Economic Development - Ag Business**

## **April Programs and Activities Report**

- Help us congratulate Marcia Meek! Our Harrison County office manager snuck out the last week in March and got married!
- A group of CES and Field Specialists are working to get a regional newsletter started again. Instead of a printed copy, we are researching ways to create an email newsletter that will reach more audiences at a much lower cost.
- In April, Harrison County Council Member Bob Skeens and I assisted with the interview process for Harrison County's new Nutrition Program Associate. Please help us welcome Samantha Clark!
- Small groups of council members gathered both in Harrison and Worth counties to complete their 2018 financial audits. The books for both counties are in great shape!
- We continue to explore economic development programming options in Harrison County.
- On April 9, I participated in my first Water Festival in Mercer County, where we had kids attend from Harrison County schools. What a fun day!
- On April 10, I traveled to Mound City to assist with the MARC (Multi-Agency Resource Center) that was scheduled due to the flooding along the Missouri River.
- I attended my second North Central Business Facilitation meeting in Bethany April 11. Let me know if you would like more information about this group that provides assistance to entrepreneurs in our region.
- I had the opportunity to attend my first Bethany Chamber meeting April 16!
- On April 17, several Worth County Extension council members and Extension faculty and staff met to discuss the possibility of reviving shooting sports in the County.
- Tigers for Troops, a campus led event to assist veterans, was held on April 18 at the United Methodist Church in Bethany. Law faculty and students from MU assisted several veterans with information about their eligibility for benefits.
- On April 18, I attended the Northwest Roundtable of Economic Developers meeting in Cameron. An entrepreneur presented information about a cold storage locker business that could assist communities that don't have a local grocery store.
- I attended a meeting in St. Joseph at the Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri on April 22, where leaders for the Communities of Excellence asked Joe Lear and I for assistance with providing local leadership training and education for their initiative.
- Northwest Missouri Enterprise Facilitation met on April 23 in King City to complete new member training (and a refresher for some of us). Let me know if you are interested in learning more about this organization and how we help small businesses.
- The 100th Anniversary of MU Extension in Harrison County planning has started with the marketing and fundraising committee meeting on April 24.
- I finally had a chance to come over to Worth County on a Thursday, so I attended the Grant City Chamber meeting April 25.
- I am participating in the Health and Wellness Coalition for Bethany, and attended a meeting on April 26, sharing information for Sarah Wood, Health and Nutrition Specialist.
- Worth County's Nutrition Program Associate Sue Robison and I are working on offering Kids in the Kitchen again this summer in Grant City.
- Finally, on April 30, I attended an all day workshop on how to improve presentation skills. I should be an expert in no time!

Please contact me with any questions or to request more information about upcoming events. spainhowerj@missouri.edu or (660) 425-6434

