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**Julie Taylor-Costello, Director for the Institute for Community Engagement (ICE),
to be featured at
Southeast Nebraska Resource Network (SERN) Meeting
Personal Care Inc, Falls City, NE
June 19, 2013**

Falls City Economic Development & Growth Enterprise, Inc. (EDGE) will host the Quarterly Southeast Nebraska Resource Network (SERN) Meeting on June 19, 2013. Community and business stakeholders are invited to attend the SERN Business meeting, lunch, and a Feature Presentation in Falls City that day. After lunch, the Feature Presentation will outline the details of the Institute for Community Engagement (ICE) program at Peru State College.

Julie Taylor-Costello, PhD, Director of the Institute for Community Engagement (ICE), will be presenting an overview of Peru State College's ICE program. The ICE program's mission is to foster a greater understanding of the leadership role students can play in community development by creating opportunities for students to engage with society and apply what they have learned in meaningful ways. ICE is responsible for coordinating relevant learning experiences that are integrated with the college's academic programs.

The SERN business meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. An agenda is located online at: <http://sendd.org/sern-quadrants/>. SERN is a group of development resource and service providers interested in the betterment of Southeast Nebraska. Community and Business stakeholders are encouraged to attend the SERN business meeting to connect with resource and service providers in the region.

A catered lunch provided by Ann Meinzer will be served at 12:15 p.m. Lunch is available for \$10 per person at each attendees own cost (payment due at time of arrival). RSVP is required as seating is limited and lunches must be ordered in advance.

The Feature Presentation, "Peru State College's Institute for Community Engagement (ICE)" will take place at 1:00 p.m. The event follows the regular SERN business meeting and lunch. There is no cost to attend the presentation however a RSVP is required as seating is limited.

Following the Feature Presentation, the Southeast Nebraska Development District (SEND) will present information to local municipalities interested in learning more about a Nuisance Enforcement Program available through contractual services with SEND. **The Nuisance Enforcement Program Meeting will take place at 2:00 p.m. at the Personal Care Inc. location in Falls City.** RSVP is required for reserved seating. There is no cost to attend.

Please send RSVP to assistant@fallscityedge.com no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 14, 2013. RSVP to include attendance independently for each event: 1. Business Meeting, 2. Lunch, 3. Feature Presentation, 4. Nuisance Enforcement Program. Lunch cancellations must be made 48 hours prior to the event. No-Shows will be billed.

To learn more about SERN and how to attend SERN meetings or receive SERN notices, email Jen Olds, SERN Chair at jolds@sendd.org. SERN Meeting minutes and information are online at: <http://sendd.org/southeast-nebraska-resource-network/>. SERN includes the following Nebraska Counties and their communities: Butler, Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Polk, Richardson, Saline, Saunders, Seward, Thayer, and York.