I recently had the opportunity to listen to an economist talk about how the ongoing economic crisis and other factors will impact economic development. It was an interesting but complex presentation suggesting that today's problems are a result of years of policy changes, tax policy, growth/decline in segments of government spending, and accumulation of public and private debt. The causes are complicated and the solutions are even more complicated, but, as a nation, we have to find a solution in that delicate balance of spending, cuts and policy.
CDS -- Get Involved

The Community Development Society furthers community work through teaching, practice, and research. CDS provides those who do community work with best practices, networking opportunities, tools, and other resources.

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Read a Book...Write a review!

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- Nominations and Leadership Development

Here in central Missouri we are already starting to see hints of spring. Our Pileated Woodpecker is busy drumming on the gutter by our bedroom letting everyone know that this is his territory and that the peanuts in the feeder out front are also his. The daffodils and other spring bulbs are up a couple of inches. This all comes a little too early and it makes me wonder if we will have another early spring and hot, dry summer. If so, that spells trouble for the farmers. Speaking of farmers, did you see the Dodge Ram's "God Made a Farmer" ad at the Super Bowl? Based on a Paul Harvey 1978 radio segment, it is a wonderful tribute to farmers and ranchers.

Your last chance to submit your abstract for the 2013 CDS conference in Charleston is rapidly approaching (February 15th). If you haven't submitted, I encourage you to do so today!

We are close to solidifying the location for the 2014 conference and will be announcing that at the Charleston conference.

Sincerely,

Sharon Gulick
President, Community Development Society

Save the Date!
The annual CDS conference will be held July 20-24 in historic
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Charleston, SC
The 2013 conference promises to be a time of learning and reconnecting with your fellow CDS members. The local planning committee is working hard to develop another great conference. Watch for registration information soon.

Call for Conference Presentations: Submission Deadline February 15, 2013
Interested in submitting a proposal for a Workshop, Paper/Program Presentation, Panel Session, or Poster? This is the place to start.

2013 Professional Development Webinar Series
Webinar No. 3: Wednesday March 13, 12:00-1:00 p.m. (Central) is entitled "Political and Social Incorporation of Public Housing Residents: Challenges in HOPE IV Community Development," offered by Joanna Lucio, Arizona State University. CDS and the Heartland Center for Leadership Development co-sponsor the series. Registration.

Nominees for CDS Board: Watch Your Mailbox for More Information
The CDS Board Nominations Committee has recommended a slate of candidates for the board. CDS members will be receiving information about the candidates and procedures for voting soon. Please watch your mailbox for the information and then vote!

The nominees are:
Board of Directors (3-year term expires 2016)
Jim Cavaye
Brian Fier
Stanley Green
Dave Ivan
Kurt Mantonya
Whitney McIntyre-Miller
Write-in:

Vice President of Operations
Gisele Hamm
Write-in:

CD Resources
The Legacy of the Great Recession
Creighton University's Main Street Index
Annie E. Casey Foundation Reports on Children and Youth
National Center for Appropriate Technology
National League of Cities Sustainable Cities Institute
ERS Charts of Note
- Disabilities affect two out of every five households that have very low food security
- Away from home eating accounts for a larger share of Americans' calories
- Market penetration by farmers' markets varies geographically
- Percentage of households without vehicle and far from supermarket decreased 2006-2010

Community Development Academy
March 25-29
2013
UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI Extension
http://muconf.missouri.edu/commdevevelopmentacademy/

Click here for more information!
Conferences and Meetings

Community Development Institutes
- **Texas**, March 4-8, 2013, Woodlands, TX
- **Southeast**, April 22-26, 2013, Montgomery, AL
- **Northwest**, July 8-12, 2013, Boise, ID
- **Central**, July 29 - August 2, 2013, Conway, AR
- **Midwest**, August 5-8, 2013, Moline, IL

**National Main Streets Conference**
New Orleans, Louisiana: April 14-16, 2013

**Champions for Change: Leading a Backbone Organization for Collective Impact**
April 16-18, 2013, Toronto, ON, CA

**ALIA Summer Institute**
June 16-21, 2013, Halifax, NS, CA

**Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences**
June 19-22, 2013, Pittsburgh, PA

**Coady Institute Citizen-led Sustainable Change Forum, Canada**
June 23-25, 2013, Antigonish, NS, CA

**National Rural Assembly**
June 23-26, 2013, Washington, DC

**Rural Sociological Society**
August 6-9, 2013, New York City

**NACDEP Galaxy IV**
September 16-20, 2013, Pittsburgh, PA

**University Economic Development Association**
October 27-30, 2013, Pittsburgh, PA

**International Association for Community Development**
June 9-11, 2014, Edinburgh, Scotland - Revised from Last Month

Latest Issue of *Community Development* available online
The release of *Community Development: The Journal of the Community Development Society*, Volume 43 No. 5, 2012, is now available online for CDS members. Please contact the CDS Business Office if you have problems logging in.

**CD Practice: Calling All Scholarly Community Development Practitioners!**
*CD Practice* is an on-line publication of the Community Development Society. Its purpose is to describe and promote appropriate and useful tools, resource and practice for all aspects of community development. Readers of *CD Practice* papers should be able to use tools, resources or practice discussed, knowing they are grounded in methods that have been examined empirically and/or proven to be a success.

Benefits to submitting articles to *CD Practice* include a peer review process that demonstrates the scholarship of your practice or determination. Your audiences will also have access to an on-line publication that features your work. To submit to *CD Practice* or to act as a reviewer, contact Joyce Hoelting, editor.

CDS UpFront

*Compiled by Timothy Collins, Assistant Director, Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs*

**The New Places Where America’s Tech Future Is Taking Shape**
Technology is reshaping our economic geography, but there’s disagreement as to how.

**A Laboratory for Collaborative Livelihood**
Traditional salaried work is less and less reliable. In rural Colorado, young adults

Grant Opportunities

**USDA: Agricultural Marketing Assistance Organic Certification Cost Share Program**
Application deadline: February 15, 2013
NOAA: FY 2013 Coastal and Marine Habitat Restoration Project Grants
Application deadline: February 19, 2013

USDA: Children, Youth and Families at Risk Sustainable Community Projects
Application deadline: February 20, 2013

Treasury: Fiscal Year 2013 CDFI Program
Application deadline: February 28, 2013

Fiscal Year 2013 NACA Program
Application deadline: February 28, 2013

EPA: Increasing Community Awareness and Use of Environmental Information through Education and Outreach
Application deadline: March 1, 2013

NEA: Art Works Applications, FY 2014
Application deadline: March 7, 2013

HUD: Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Program
Application deadline: March 8, 2013

HUD: Healthy Homes Technical Studies Program
Application deadline: March 19, 2013

DOL: YouthBuild Grants
Application deadline: March 19, 2013


USDA: FY14 Farm to School Grant Program
Application deadline: April 24, 2013

HUD: Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP)
Application deadline: April 24, 2013

NEH: Preservation and Access Research and Development
Application deadline: May 22, 2013

USDA: Agriculture and Food Research Initiative: Foundational Program
Application deadline: May 22, 2013

are experimenting with another economy, based on barter, collaboration, and mutual help.

Why the 'Idle No More' Movement Is Our Best Chance for Clean Land and Water
In an urgent pursuit for environmental justice and basic human rights, First Nations gather across North America under the banner of Idle No More.

Mind and Mussels Clean an Iowa Waterway
How do you restore an impaired stream? In Eastern Iowa, conservationists and farmers are enlisting the appetites of thousands of local mollusks.

Dollar Stores Take Their Place on the Block
Dollar stores were already a presence in rural communities, but recession has caused dollar chains to ramp up development to keep pace with the public's growing need to stretch their paychecks. Urban communities aren't immune from chain creep either.

Whither Main Street?
Is Main Street a thing of the past? Does it no longer fit our modern retail economy? Are traditional main streets still worth preserving and emulating?

Placemaking Is About More Than Just 'Cool Urban Amenities'
The physical attributes of the space in question are important, but they are the means, not the end. If you're not building social capital in the community where you're working, you're not Placemaking; you're just reorganizing the furniture.

You Are Where You Live
How the sky, rain, geography, and cultures of our place shape us.

Detroiters Question "World's Largest Urban Farm"
To many Detroit residents—and especially to its established urban gardeners—the approval of a large-scale urban farm raises serious questions about the future of food and land in the city.

Urban Forests and Human Health May Be Linked
A new study released by the U.S. Forest Service suggests that the presence of trees in urban areas is associated with human health.

This library lets patrons check out packets of seeds
A library card gets you a packet of seeds. You then grow the fruits and vegetables, harvest the new seeds from the biggest and best, and return those seeds so the library can lend them out to others.

Vermont’s New Front Porch
For over a decade, the Vermont Council on Rural Development has rallied rural communities to identify and act on key local concerns, including community communications, as even rural towns where "everybody knows everybody" find that, in fact, not everybody does.

Peeling a City Apart to Show How Structures Survive Disasters
The Science Channel’s new series Strip the City, employs high technology to take a very deep look into the engineering behind some of the most iconic municipalities and the potentially disastrous natural elements they must overcome.

Discussions of Resilience

- What is this Resilience, anyway?
- Emotional Resilience?
- Going it alone
- Wet Feet, Cold Baths And Lukewarm Soup - Resilience In
Rural Poor Are Concentrated
Poverty in rural America is more concentrated than in urban counties. Poor people are more likely to live in counties where a high percentage of people live in poverty.

The Relationship Between SNAP and Work Among Low-Income Households
The overwhelming majority of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program recipients who can work do so.

Income inequality spikes in Canada's big cities
The Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives’ analysis of Canada's richest 1% shows how much the income gap has been rising in Canada. In the three largest cities-Vancouver, Toronto, and Montreal-the bottom 90% make less today than they did in 1982.

Work and Welfare: Revisiting the Linkages from a Gender Perspective
A number of key assumptions underpin most approaches to the reduction of poverty and inequality. A central flaw in these arguments over the translation of patterns of growth into welfare outcomes concerns their assumptions about the nature of labour markets and employment.
Beyond These Hills: Leaving Appalachia
After decades of working in and for Appalachia, a community development specialist decided it was **time to move on**.

International Association for Community Development Is 60 This Year
The **International Association for Community Development** was first established in 1953 in the USA. IACD, a partner of CDS, is committed to genuine learning and practice exchange across contexts and cultures, and a belief that community development is at its heart asset-based.

Some Sample Items from the IACD Newsletter
Connecting Localism and Community Empowerment
Research exploring the connections between **localism and community empowerment**, based on a literature review and critical synthesis conducted by staff at Durham University, UK, questions the claim that greater localism increases community empowerment.

Report challenges 'cultures of worklessness' as the cause of unemployment
A new study by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation (UK) investigates the concept of **'intergenerational cultures of worklessness'** in Glasgow and Middlesbrough, Scotland.

Comments, Suggestions, Submit an Article
Do you have something to say? We welcome member input and articles for our Vanguard e-news bulletin. If you have something that you would like to get out to the entire membership, or if you have comments or suggestions, send them to CDS@assnoffices.com with subject e-news bulletin. We will do our best to accommodate your articles in a timely manner.
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