

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF PINE RIDGE BUSINESS PARK

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TENANT SPOTLIGHT | Messenger Coffee



A Q & A WITH ISAAC HODGES, DIRECTOR OF SALES

Tell us about your business.

Messenger Coffee Company is a wholesale roasting company founded with a clear vision to source the best coffees in the world and establish relationships with farmers that allow for high-level sustainability and growth. We are a 3-year old-company with combined experience in roasting, sourcing, serving and business that has allowed for incredible growth. Our goal is to serve our customers — the coffee drinker and wholesale partners — in a way that elevates their coffee experience and allows them to gain access to the best coffees in the world.

What should potential customers know about Messenger?

Messenger is always building on farm-direct relationships. We go on "origin" trips every year and meet more and more farmers who are growing the best coffees in the world. Coffee is a seasonal produce, which gives us motivation to continually be on the forefront of coffee sourcing and discovery. One of our biggest assets to our wholesale partners is our business development piece. We love helping cafe owners grow their business and become successful in all facets of cafe life.

Our coffees can be found in more than 100 wholesale accounts here in KC and throughout the Midwest. Some of our local cafe partners are Black Dog Coffee House, Cafe Main, Colony Espresso & Beer, Crows Coffee, the Filling Station, Hi Hat, Journeyman Cafe, T Loft and Unbakery.

What would surprise people about Messenger?

We are small in numbers! With only three original owners and the addition of five employees, we've all worn multiple hats while growing the company. But it's paying off! We take so much pride in the coffees we are able to bring in and the impact we have been able to have at the farms in such short amount of time.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO YOU AND YOURS!



The Pine Ridge Team

Amanda Grosdeck
Candy Dennis
Paula Leber
Amy Weber
Chad Hamblen

DECEMBER FOOD TRUCK SCHEDULE

Wednesdays 11 to 11:30 a.m.

Five Pine Ridge, southwest side of building, sponsored by Henderson Engineers

8345 Lenexa Drive

Coffee Cake KC

- Dec. 7
- Dec. 14
- Dec. 21
- Dec. 28

Coffee Cake KC comes year round, except in blizzards and when it's 20 below zero or less outside!

Thursdays

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Four Pine Ridge, sponsored by Sunflower Health Plan 8325 Lenexa Drive

A new food truck each week!

- Dec. 1 <u>Fresh & Tasty</u>
- Dec. 8 <u>Monks Roast Beef</u>

These Thursday food trucks are the final ones of the season!

AROUND TOWN

LOOKING FOR LIGHTS?

Pine Ridge has the ultimate local guide to public light displays, festive neighborhoods and homes animated to music. See the full list.

All aboard for the holidays!

• Back for its 16th annual run, the <u>Kansas City</u> <u>Southern Holiday Express</u> train brings Santa and his elves back to Union Station.

• Free admission, various hours Friday, Dec. 16 through Tuesday, Dec. 20.



Celebrate New Year's Eve

• Science City is hosting it Fourth Annual Noon Year's Eve from noon to 7 p.m.

• Tickets are \$13.50 for adults and \$11.50 for children ages 3 to 12.



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