

"Put Your Best Face Forward"



STUDIO 130, located at 130 N. Main Street in uptown Perry, is the first recipient of this year's "Put Your Best Face Forward" award, sponsored as a merchant award by the City of Perry.

Councilmember Greg Wekwert (center), recently presented the trophy to building owner Kathy McGraw (left) in the presence of renter Megan Christensen (right), who owns and operates Pink Shear Pet Spa in the front half of the building.

McGraw, and her late husband, John, began providing community programming on the local cable-television stations in 1984, with a crew known as the Channel 13 Gang.

The McGraw's purchased the building in 1989, where John continued to operate the Nook 'N Cranny, a vacuum sweeper repair shop. In 1995 the McGraw's founded JFM Productions and began producing and broadcasting live programs from the facility including coverage of local school and government meetings, school programs, sporting events and many more local community events.

Throughout the years, JFM Productions has contributed countless hours to organize and sponsor numerous community-oriented events including Video Bingo, the former Perry Jubilee Festival, the Hometown Country Christmas Parade and much more.

The local community programming continues to be broadcast on Cable TV channels 16 and 10.

The Pink Shear Pet Spa opened for business in the front half of the building in June 2009. As owner/operator, Megan, a long-time 4-H Member and Leader, operates a full service dog grooming salon.

The monthly "Put Your Best Face Forward" award recipient is selected by a council member based on overall appearance, clean sidewalks and windows, window presentation, flower displays (weeded/watered) and absence of trash.

Recipients receive the traveling trophy to display in the business throughout the month and are recognized through local media.