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Book of Golden Deeds Presents today!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For those that missed out on today's breakfast, don't worry, your mimosas were enjoyed by the rest of the club!

- a. Guests in attendance today were:
 - Jenna Johnson w/Five Rings Financial
 - Book of Golden Deeds winners Sheila Wilson and Corrina Gilbertson
 - Former club member Jasmine Dalrymple and other family members
- b. Please keep Randy Thomas in your thoughts and prayers. He is going in for heart surgery.
- c. Kentucky Derby meets Shrimp Boil is tomorrow night. Don't forget to wear your costumes for prizes. Show up is 4pm, the Derby starts at 4:50 and dinner is at 6. Don't forget to bring your \$1 bills for horse racing! There will also be an auction for a basket with the proceeds going to Jane Goodall of Metra Park.
- d. Pig Races are June 1st. If you haven't signed up yet, contact Tanner so that he can get you on the list.
- e. Rene is still looked for members to sign up for committees. For newer members, this is the best way to learn more about what the club is about, for the seasoned members – we need your wisdom!
- f. May 18 is an MMA event at Metra Park, don't forget to log in and select whether you can work or not!
- g. Yellowstone Valley Gives Challenge is happening now! Go to yellowstonegives.org to donate to the Family Tree. The winning get receives cupcakes are their next social event.
- h. There was a pass the hat for Jane Goodall today as well as the auction tomorrow. Stay tuned to find out from Rene just how much was raised.

The Book of Golden Deeds committee has set up the first Friday meeting of every May as a day to celebrate and honor worthy individuals who have great impact in the community. The Book of Golden Deeds is the longest running award for Exchange. The first award was presented in 1919. This year's committee has chosen two very worthy individuals.

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

May 18th - MMA

Upcoming Club Events

May 4 – Shrimp Boil

June 1 – Pig Races



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(Billings, MT, May 2019) – Breakfast Exchange Club of Billings awarded Sheila Wilson and Corrina Gilbertson with Book of Golden Deeds Awards, Friday, May 3, 2019. The Book of Golden Deeds recognizes outstanding men and women who give endless hours of their time and talents, demonstrate an excellent track record of volunteer service and accomplishments, and rarely receive public recognition for their service to others. The club names an honoree each year based on nominations sent in by its membership and from the community. This year the Breakfast Exchange Club chose not one deserving individual but two – these two community volunteers epitomize the very essence of this award.

Sheila Wilson, nominated by Stacy Dreesen, has been the Decorating Committee chair for the Festival of Trees for several years. The Festival of Trees is a major fundraiser for The Family Tree Center. She and her committee volunteer hundreds of hours each year. She coordinated The Family Tree Center's United Way Day of Caring projects for many years. In addition to her service to The Family Tree Center, Sheila marks out the blue ribbon design each year for the Pinwheels for Prevention displays at Metra Park and Courthouse each year. According to Dreesen, The Family Tree Center Executive Director, "Sheila is definitely an unsung hero. Just ask anyone who knows her and she never seeks recognition for all that she does to make our community a better place."

Corrina Gilbertson, nominated by Jasmine Dalrymple, has been a volunteer advocate at CASA of Yellowstone County for two years. She has undergone additional training to serve as a Peer Coordinator, to support other advocates. Through her work with CASA, Corrina advocates for abused and neglected children in the foster care system. She is steadfast and tireless in her advocacy for these children, and serves on their behalf daily. Corrina generously dedicates over 30 hours per month to her advocacy. To date, she has recorded over 140 hours of volunteer time at CASA. In addition to her service to CASA, Corrina volunteers at the YWCA as a SANE volunteer, supporting sexual assault victims. According to Dalrymple, CASA of Yellowstone County Program Coordinator, "Corrina is a fighter, a survivor, and a big believer in being the change. She never refuses a chance to help someone else, and is always the first person to give back."

The Breakfast Exchange Club is one of 630 local clubs with 18,000 members in the United States and Puerto Rico. The group meets every Friday at 7:00 a.m. at the Yellowstone Room – Metra Park.

Thank you to the Book of Golden Deeds Committee for putting together such an amazing duo!



Congratulations to Sheila and Corrina!!

Great job done by the Book of Golden Deeds committee: Kelly Elletson, Danielle Hughes, Bob Dalrymple, Leif Welhaven, Brian Hafner, Shannon Christensen, Adrian Miller and Teal Kaufman!!!

