

Many notices this morning:

Landon's Legacy grand opening is Wednesday August 17 at 5PM. Landon's Legacy is the recipient of one of the grants we have given, located at Poly Vista.

Lisa Reich was introduced to the membership. She is a Nurse by trade, having worked at Billings Clinic as a nurse in the ER and in the ICU. She last worked as a hospice nurse. She now works as a wine consultant. Her husband is a physician in Billings, and they have a daughter going to college in a couple weeks.

As you know, Tony Parish, Leif Welhaven, and Dina Harmon went to National Exchange Convention in Greenville, SC. Leif was voted in as National Exchange President Elect, Tony is now the Region 2 Vice President, and Dina is taking over Tony's job. The social committee is working on a social to recognize these 3 as being what Exchange is all about.

Also, at National Convention, Veteran's Matter recognized our club as THE fundraising entity for the Food Truck Battle. Or should I say, National Convention recognized our own Rene Critelli as the fundraising genius behind our Food Truck Battle with a very nice plaque.

The United Way is again working through Shawnee for the school supply drive. She will be gathering school supplies through September 2. She will be sending out an email with school supply needs for this year's drive.

On Wednesday, August 31 from 4-7, we will be having a retirement party acknowledging Stacy Dreesen for her work with the Family Tree Center. This will be held where we have our breakfast, the American Legion on Broadwater.

Kids and Cowboys will be having a fundraiser tomorrow evening at the Tap Inn on Broadwater from 6-10. There will be drinks, silent auction items, and even Bronco tickets ("free", according to Tim Crowley...)

Ed Kaufman stated that Dress-a-Child is slated to be much earlier this year. We have our choice of dates, October 15 or 22 at the Heights Walmart or November 5 at the Westend Walmart. Let Ed or another board member know which date you prefer.

Stacy thanked all club members who helped at the Albertson's Family Tree Center fundraiser. All members who helped made this fundraiser run smoothly and problem free.

Thursday, August 18 at 7:30AM, the Chamber of Commerce is having a meeting concerning the privatization of the METRA. If you would like to attend, you have to pre-register by calling the Chamber.

Now... on to club business:

We are at 126 members, having 3 adds and 2 drops in the last month.

We had a total of \$45,000 to grant this quarter, but only granted \$10,000, so the remainder goes to next quarter's granting. Check out the emailed board meeting minutes to see to whom these grants were given.

Montana Fair begins tonight with Elle King. Tomorrow night is Collective Soul, and Sunday night is Nelle. Show up is 5:30; check the schedules to see if you are working. Coming up next week is Supercross on August 16, with rodeo continuing the next 3 nights, August 17-19. Schedules for the dirt events will be out today; again, check the schedules... if you are on the schedule, either show up or find yourself a replacement!!!

There are 2 concerts coming up in September, Justin Moore and Dierks Bentley; these are not on the website as of yet, but they will be after the fair is over.

Apparently, Outlaws Football is coming back, same team but with new owners.

Guess that's it... whew... until next week.

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