

BECON

8-30-2024

Guests in house today were our guest speaking, Brenda Mass with Visit Southeast Montana and Misty Wittman, who works for Stockman Bank. Misty was a member of the Laurel club and has already submitted an application for our club.

There were not too many announcements this morning. Dina passed around a thank you letter from Tim Crowley on behalf of Kids and Cowboys.

Yellowstone National Cemetery is having an Unattended Veterans Ceremony on October 3rd at noon. If you can attend, please do.

Burn the Point is this weekend, we are staffed, but just remember downtown may be chaotic.

Dina received a plea from Tumbleweed that their food pantry is almost empty. Dina suggested we have a food collection for next Friday. Please bring nonperishable food stuffs to breakfast and we will take it down to Tumbleweed to help combat their need.

Brenda Mass spoke to our group this morning about "Visit Southeast Montana". Their purpose is to promote tourism into Southeast Montana. Kind of shocking considering the name, isn't it! They are under the umbrella of the Chamber of Commerce. They receive a portion of their funds from the lodging tax that Montana has. Their approach to driving more visitors into SE Montana is by regional leadership, marketing and destination development.

They have several really cool programs they are advertising.

Montana Dinosaur Trail (there are 14 locations to visit)

<https://southeastmontana.com/dinosaurs>

Montana's Trail to the Stars – also known as Astro Tourism. There are 40 locations to visit in Montana. Medicine Rock State Park is recognized as an "International Dark Sanctuary". <https://trailtothestars.com>

Southeast Montana Burger Trail (14 location) If you sign up for this program and visit four of the locations on the tour you get a sticker. If you visit 8, you get a t shirt naming you a burger boss. <https://southeastmontana.com/burgertrail>

MonDak Motorcycle Loop – <https://southeastmontana.com/mondak>

Have a great holiday weekend!

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Burn the Point 9-1

Cody Johnson 9-7
6PM



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