



## May—Days of Honor

We all know Memorial Day is the last Monday of May every year and look forward to the three day weekend. Memorial Day is considered a Federal Holiday so schools and most businesses are closed. Many people see Memorial Day weekend as an opportunity for a short vacation or to hold a picnic/bbq and other gatherings with friends and family.

The holiday began as much more than that and comes with traditions of honor. Memorial Day started as an event to honor Union Soldiers who had died during the American Civil War. It was inspired by the way people in the Southern states honored their dead. After World War I, it was extended to include all men and women who died in any war or military action.

Memorial Day was originally known as Decoration Day. The current name for the day did not come into use until after World War II. Decoration Day and then Memorial Day used to be held on May 30, regardless of the day of the week, on which it fell. In 1968, the Uniform Holidays Bill was passed as part of a move to use federal holidays to create three day weekends. This meant that, from 1971, Memorial Day holiday has been officially observed on the last Monday in May.

It is tradition to fly the United States flag at half staff from dawn until noon. Many people volunteer to help place an American flag on each grave in national cemeteries.

Do you recognize Armed Forces Day? Armed Forces Day happens annually on the third Saturday of May. It is a day to pay tribute to the men and women who serve in the United States' armed forces. Some examples of events and activities that place across the United States to honor those in the Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, National and Guard and Reserve during war and peace include:

- ◇ Multi-service military displays in areas open to the public
- ◇ Various educational activities that teach children about the armed forces

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### May 2019

*May Quote: "Leaders think and talk about the solutions. Followers think and talk about the problems." — Brian Tracy*

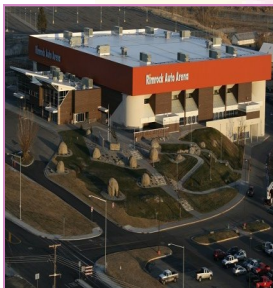
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**May Volunteer Opportunities:**  
May 8th—Harry Potter & the Sorcerer's Stone in Concert

**Future Volunteer Opportunities:**  
June 15th—Food Truck Battle on the Yellowstone  
July 13th—Brews & BBQ  
July 25th—"Twins of Evil" Marilyn Manson & Rob Zombie  
July 28th—Disturbed  
August 9th—BlackHawk, Restless Heart, & Shenandoah  
August 10th—An Evening with 98 Degrees  
August 11th—Old Dominion  
August 25th—Weird Al Yankovic



Come weekly at 7:00 a.m. on Friday to the Yellowstone Room and get to know your fellow Exchangites!



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- ◇ "Support the Troops" themed motorcycle rides
- ◇ Large parades and other local celebrations

Certain types of music is also played at Armed Forces Day events, including at memorials and at cemeteries, as a way to respect those in the armed forces who died for their country. For example, buglers have played a bugle call, known simply known as Taps.

On August 31, 1949, Louis Johnson, who was the US Secretary of Defense, announced the creation of Armed Forces Day to replace several separate Army, Navy, and Air Force Days. The event stemmed from the armed forces' unification under one department—The Department of Defense. The Army, Navy, and Air Force adopted the newly formed day. The Marine Corps League declined to drop support for Marine Corps Day but supports Armed Forces too.

And there's a third day of honor in May. Peace Officers Memorial Day is held annually on May 15 in honor of federal, state, and local officers killed or disabled in the line of duty. Many people in the United States pay tribute to officers who lost their life or were injured in their jobs. According to Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS), about 140 - 160 officers are killed in the line of duty every year, leaving their families and co-workers to cope with the tragic loss. Peace Officers Memorial Day is an observance but is not a federal public holiday. Many businesses and community members across the nation, especially those who lost family members, friends or colleagues who were local officers, will lower their flags in remembrance of law enforcement lost in the line of duty. Some police departments hold an annual law enforcement memorial ceremony on this day.

The idea of a Peace Officers Memorial Day came into effect on October 1, 1961, when Congress asked the president to designate May 15 to honor law enforcement officers. President John F. Kennedy signed the bill into law on October 1, 1962. Each year, the president of the United States proclaims May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week of each year during which May 15th falls as Police Week.

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*Exchange, America's Service Club, is a group of men and women working together to make our communities better places to live through programs of service in Americanism, Community Service, Youth Activities, and its national project, the Prevention of Child Abuse.*

Looking for something to do and support community organizations at the same time?

May 1—Playhouse Parade Kickoff

May 2-3—Yellowstone Valley Gives

May 4—Mayfair Gala Dinner & Auction

May 5—Tour de Fleur (benefits Trail System)

May 11—Women's Run

May 11—Community Pint Night for YVAS @ Carter's

May 18—Last Best Beer Run

May 19—Run for Heaven's Sake

May 25—Montana Warrior Run

Mondays—Community Monday @ Hooligans (each week benefits different organization)

Tuesdays—Pint night at Last Chance Cider House (each week benefits different organization)

Tuesdays—Bingo Night at 406 Kitchen & Taproom (each week benefits different organization)



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## CAP Center Corner

Pinwheels for Prevention Award went to Sheila Wilson and Kent Dreessen this year for the tireless hours and loads of hard work they give to The Family Tree Center helping out with the fundraisers as well as everyday needs of The Family Tree Center.

Both were very deserving of the award!!



Sheila Wilson receiving her Pinwheels for Prevention Award at the Pinwheel Planting Ceremony on the courthouse lawn.



Kent Dreessen receiving his Pinwheels for Prevention Award at the Pinwheel Planting Ceremony on the courthouse lawn.

### Committee Happenings:

BECON Committee—Your May BECON Editor is Good Question?

Program Committee—Brandin Mills will line up the speakers for May

Social Committee—Shrimp Boil on May 4th; Pig Races in Bearcreek on June 1st!

Freedom Shrine Committee—McKinley School and the Yellowstone Room to have rededicated Freedom Shrines.

Food Truck Battle Committee—The Committee is diligently back at work on the next food truck battle which will be Saturday, June 15th.

Patriotism Committee—working on Chili Cook Off for Veteran's Day. Stay tuned.

### Other Upcoming Happenings:

District Convention—June 6-8 in Idaho Falls. Tracy Edwards, National Exchange CEO will be the National Speaker (if you haven't met Tracy, she is AMAZING!)

National Convention—July 17—20 in Norfolk, VA (always a great event for learning and having lots of fun).

## GET INVOLVED!!

**\*\* Committee Chairs—Please email your upcoming events to [dinaharmon1212@gmail.com](mailto:dinaharmon1212@gmail.com) to be included in next months newsletter!\*\***





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Worth a second run.....

## Friendly reminder from our Business Manager!!

### BEC ALCOHOL POLICIES

**1. FOR EVERY ALCOHOL SALE, CHECK ID OF CUSTOMERS APPEARING TO BE UNDER THE AGE OF 25**

**A VALID ID MUST BE A:**

- ⇒ CURRENT STATE OR CANADIAN DRIVER'S LICENSE OR ID CARD
- ⇒ CURRENT ARMED SERVICES ID CARD
- ⇒ VALID PASSPORT OR PASSPORT CARD
- ⇒ MONTANA TRIBAL ID CARD
- ⇒ MONTANA TEMPORARY DRIVER'S LICENSE OR ID CARD
- ⇒ MONTANA PROBATIONARY DRIVER'S LICENSE
- ⇒ ANY VALID GOVERNMENT ISSUED FORM OF ID

**2. DO NOT ACCEPT ANY DRIVER LICENSE THAT HAS EXPIRED.**

**3. DO NOT ACCEPT ANY ID THAT HAS BEEN TORN, BENT, OR OBVIOUSLY TAMPERED WITH**

**4. IF YOU GET A FAKE ID, CONFISCATE IT IF POSSIBLE AND CONTACT SECURITY. IF UNABLE TO CONFISCATE THE ID, CONTACT SECURITY.**

**5. PUT A WRISTBAND ON ALL CUSTOMERS**

**6. LIMIT NUMBER OF DRINKS LEAVING OUR BOOTH TO FOUR (4) PER PERSON UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. THIS INCLUDES BEER AND/OR MIXED DRINKS.**

**7. ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL SALES TO ANYONE APPEARING INTOXICATED. MONTANA STATE LAW SAYS, "IT IS ILLEGAL FOR THIS ESTABLISHMENT TO SERVE OR SELL ALCOHOL TO ANY PERSON WHO IS ACTUALLY, APPARENTLY, OR OBVIOUSLY INTOXICATED." WE CAN BE FINED BY THE STATE FOR FAILURE TO FOLLOW THIS LAW.**

**8. REPORT ANY QUESTIONABLE INCIDENTS TO THE BEER CAPTAIN SUCH AS:**

- ⇒ CUTTING OFF AN INTOXICATED PERSON
- ⇒ REFUSING SERVICE TO AN UNDERAGE PERSON
- ⇒ VIOLENT BEHAVIOR
- ⇒ FAKE ID

**9. WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE SERVICE TO ANYONE.**

**10. COMPLETE AN INCIDENT LOG IN LOG BOOK WITH BEER CAPTAIN IF THERE IS A PROBLEM.**

**STICK TO THE POLICIES SET TO AVOID THE WRATH OF MIKE AND TO PROTECT THE CLUB AND YOURSELF FROM LIABILITY!!**