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A REALLY BIG DEAL

Summer is here and our great fundraising season is moving into full swing. This weekend (July 30, 31, and August 1) we will kick off our fundraising for the calendar year with the Great American Hill Climb which is held annually in the South Billings Hills. Club participation has been excellent and we look forward to a great fan turnout.

Special thanks to Jerry Michels and Deanna Darnielle for their participation and fundraising at the Billings All Original Car Show last weekend in North Park. This event generated approx. \$800 for our club to help local area charities.

Our main fundraising event is the MontanaFair which is August 13th to August 21st this year. Please mark your calendars!!! As everyone is aware the Father's Day Tornado created massive amounts of damage at the Metra. As a result, all Metra events have shifted to the Grandstand. This will be a very busy year for our club!!! The Grandstand will host headline acts Jason Aldeen, Scorpions and Hinder. Additionally, we will host an exciting evening of outdoor SuperCross as well as 3 full nights of PRCA professional rodeo. On the patio we will again have the Bad Larrys performing nightly. We are expecting huge crowds and will need everyone's help in working shifts. Looking forward to another great season and thank you all for your volunteer efforts!

Jason Euell, Fundraising Chair



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What is it that you like doing? If you don't like it, get out of it, because you'll be lousy at it. You don't have to stay with a job for the rest of your life, because if you don't like it you'll never be successful in it.

Lee Iacocca

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Greetings Fellow Exchangites!

As the Downtown Exchange Club of Billings embarks on its 61st year of service, I find myself thankful to work, live, and participate in such a great organization and community. In an era marked by recession and economic uncertainty, our club continues to grow and prosper bucking the trends seen for service organizations nationally. When times are challenging, it is relevant to reflect on what is important to us. Our job one is to make our community a better place to live and rings directly with the National Exchange Club mission. Our growth and prosperity is directly related to all our great members and their countless hours of dedication and service to this cause. We have and will continue to touch the lives of those less fortunate and truly make a difference in our community.

As we move into the New Year, I charge our great membership new and old to continue to “buck the trend” and get involved with making our club grow and our community prosper. It is my distinct privilege and honor to serve as President for this great club and cause. I am looking forward to another great year of exchange and thank you all for your past, present, and future contributions to the Downtown Exchange Club of Billings.

Tyler Nose, President

NEW GRANTS

At the board meeting on Monday the following grants were awarded to local organizations:

- \$250.00 for Gang Prevention

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

The following members are celebrating anniversaries with the Downtown Exchange Club in July.

Ken Behling	27 years
Duncan Peete	16 years
Tex Janacek	6 years
Sue Vinton	1 year
Howard Sumner	1 year

HEALING FIELD

The Exchange Clubs of Billings have partnered together to bring a Healing Field to the city of Billings. From September 3-11, we will place 1,000 eight foot tall 3x5 flags to memorialize and honor America’s service men and women and in commemoration of 9/11. The healing field of flags is planned to be on the golf course and adjacent city park. Flags will be sold for \$100 with all proceeds going to the following local charities: Volunteers of America Independence Hall, Family Tree Center, Family Support Network, Second Chance Homes, and the Chris Dixon Foundation.

This living display of heroism will fly as a temporary patriotic tribute to the strength and unity of Americans, and as a tribute to all the men and women who have made the supreme sacrifice for our nation's security and freedom. The event will also support child abuse prevention. Please join us and walk through this awe inspiring flag display. This is the perfect opportunity for all of us to unite as a community to remember and honor our heroes. Bring a camera and your family. **Help us honor, remember and heal.**

Tyler Nose, President



WE WIN!!!

Last week, I received a letter in the mail from the national exchange club stating that we **won the BIG “E” award** for 2009-2010. It has been a great number of years since our club won this prestigious award. This means that the Downtown Exchange Club’s efforts in Extension/Expansion, Efficiency, and Education have paid off. The Big “E” is the most difficult award to win in the world of Exchange and it truly is an award that the club wins by working together as we did so well this past year. These two folks made it possible by getting the documentation in on time every month:

Dale Brown-Newsletter & Education

Jeff Winkler-Secretary

However, this truly is a **whole club award** and everyone is responsible for winning this. I’m very proud of you all for making our club the shining star in Exchange!

P.S. We also won the National Service Award which is one of the many prerequisites of the Big “E”. Congratulations all!

Vinnie Iacopini, Past-President, Editor



Kevin Lundin far right, Quentin Eggert, second from left

The Exchange Club Covenant of Service

Accepting the divine privilege of single and collective responsibility as life's noblest gift, I covenant with my fellow Exchangites:

To consecrate my best energies to the uplifting of Social, Religious, Political, and Business ideals;

To discharge the debt I owe to those of high and low estate who have served and sacrificed that the heritage of American citizenship might be mine;

To honor and respect law, to serve my fellowmen, and to uphold the ideals and institutions of my Country;

To implant the life-giving, society-building spirit of Service and comradeship in my social and business relationships;

To serve in Unity with those seeking better conditions, better understandings, and greater opportunities for all.

