

Noon Line



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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Hello!

As it turns out, April has 30 days. My grandmother (Mrachek is pretty familiar with her) used to tell me an easy way to tell if a month has 30 or 31 days by counting your knuckles and the space in-between your knuckles. Also as it turns out, I'm a slow learner.

Thanks to those that attended the Thursday Social this last week. I go to baseball games every single night so I missed it but heard it was a stellar event and Clint Peck, owner of Yellowstone Cellars is a bevy of wine knowledge. If you haven't been a regular at these events, you are truly missing out. It's a different environment than a lunch or volunteering aside your fellow Exchangites. It's a chance to really get to know some of the people that we share a common bond with. We're all here for one of three reasons...

1. You want to meet people
2. You like to help the cause of child abuse prevention
3. You really like the Crowne Plaza buffet food or all you can drink iced tea.

Enjoy your May! May we see 75-80 degrees and no wind for the next 6 months.

Vinnie Iacopini, Editor-in-Chief

***"Wine to me is passion. It's family and friends.
It's warmth of heart and generosity of spirit.
Wine is art. It's culture. It's the essence of
civilization and the art of living...When I pour a
glass of truly fine wine, when I hold it up to the
light and admire its color, when I raise it to my
nose and savor its bouquet and essence, I know
that wine is, above all else, a blessing, a gift of
nature, a joy as pure and elemental as the soil
and vines and sunshine from which it springs"-
Robert Mondavi***

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ALL EVENTS NOON AT CROWNE PLAZA UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

Events:

May 3rd: Tim Pollard, Presentation Skills

May 10th: Dan Ewald, The Billings Way
Also, Youth of the Month

May 17th: Sheryle Shandy, DEXC Member and Director of the Billings Food Bank. NOTE: This meeting will be at the Billings Food Bank. <http://www.billingsfoodbank.com/>

May 24th: ACE Award Winner

May 31st: Karen Grosz, Canvas Creek Team Building

"Don't knock the weather: nine-tenths of the people couldn't start a conversation if it didn't change once in a while"
- Kin Hubbard

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Yellowstone District Exchange Convention is approaching. The District convention will be held this in Helena at the Great Northern Hotel May 13th through the 15th. Any active club members interested in attending and participating on behalf of our club are encourage to contact Tyler Nose at 406-238-0929 or via email Tyler.L.Nose@wellsfargo.com
2. The May Edition of the Noon Line is accepting advertising for \$10 donation to the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation. Please contact Vinnie Iacopini for details.

NEW GRANTS

At the DEXC Board Meeting Monday, the following grants were awarded to local organizations:

None Reported, which happens occasionally as the Board Secretary tries to accommodate everybody's schedules (or if the editor fails to attend a board meeting)

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

The following members celebrated anniversaries with the Downtown Exchange Club in April:

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| Mac Fogelsong | 9 years |
| Todd Sherman | 8 years |
| Dan Tidswell | 3 years |

Mayor Tom Hanel spoke regarding Child Abuse Prevention Month at the Billings Exchange Club's Child Abuse Prevention Center (BECCAPC)



DEXC Members enjoy a tour of Billings only bonded winery, Yellowstone Cellars in West Billings.



Clint Peck, Owner and winemaker of Yellowstone Cellars explaining winemaking to the DEXC membership. Clint makes pretty good wine!



Typical group in the front row in the barrel room, Lisa, Tom K, Tyler, Andy, and Jonathan (in no particular order as usual at the Noon Line)



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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.

