

Noon Line



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NOTES FROM THE BOARD

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I joined the Downtown Exchange Club two years ago and have enjoyed getting to know the members at the weekly meetings and selling beer at MetraPark and the Hill Climb. I've been impressed with the people and the mission of the Club. When I join an organization I like to be involved so I was pleased to be invited to join the Board. Not only do you get better acquainted with the club members who serve on the Board but you also learn more about the club and how it functions administratively. It is a great experience to work with dedicated people who care about the prevention of child abuse.

Recently the Club was offered a new fundraising opportunity to do the gift wrapping at Rimrock Mall during the holidays. The Board voted to incorporate this activity into our fundraising efforts for the Club. Tyler Nose and I will be spearheading the effort and we will appreciate the Club's support of this new opportunity to raise funds for the prevention of child abuse. More details will follow in the weeks ahead.

Jonathan

IT'S A WRAP!

The Board Members of the Downtown Exchange Club of Billings are very excited to announce a new fundraising program for our club. We have been working with the Rimrock Mall and have secured their gift-wrapping kiosk for the 2009 holiday season. We will operate the gift-wrapping program from Friday Nov 27th through Christmas Eve.



This will be a very large undertaking and will require help from ALL members as well as some assistance from other non-profit groups. Not to worry if you can't wrap. We will have training and expert assistance to help us through it. Jonathan Peart and Tyler Nose will be heading up this new effort and more details will be coming soon.



The board has been working very diligently to find new sources of revenue for our club's philanthropic activities. Large projects like this one do not come along very often and we were excited to be able to have this opportunity. We all know that the revenues from horseracing have been declining for years and we need to find diverse ways to fund the organizations that we support. We look forward to this new endeavor and know we can count on our members to make it a success!!

Nothing can stop the man with the right mental attitude from achieving his goal; nothing on earth can help the man with the wrong mental attitude.

Thomas Jefferson

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GIFT-WRAPPING

RIMROCK MALL, BILLINGS, MT

NOV 27TH- DEC 24TH

This is a new fundraiser

BREAKFAST EXCHANGE WINE TASTING

YELLOWSTONE ROOM, METRAPARK GRANDSTANDS BILLINGS, MT

NOVEMBER 13, 2009

This is a no cost event and guests are welcome

CHRISTMAS PARTY AND WRAPPING EXTRAVAGANZA

BRIARWOOD GOLF COURSE, BILLINGS, MT

DECEMBER 15TH

This is the wrapping party for "Santa in the Schools as well as our annual Christmas party

SANTA IN THE SCHOOLS

SOUTHSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, BILLINGS, MT

TBD (DECEMBER)

This event is not to be missed. Many club members say it is the highlight of our year for them.

We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, therefore, is not an act but a habit.

Aristotle

~~ Future Programs ~~

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| Oct 6, 2009 | Tyler Nose
Fundraising Recap
(This is a closed meeting. No Guests) |
| Oct 13, 2009 | Jennifer Quinn, Director
Huntington Learning Center |
| Oct 20, 2009 | Sheryl Shandy, Exec Director
Billings Food Bank
(Meeting at Food Bank Building) |
| Oct 27, 2009 | Melodie McDermott Montana
Peacemaker Ministries |

POT DRAW

In case you're wondering where those \$1 bills go that you put on the table every Tuesday here is the answer.

The funds are put in a pot that grows every week until someone wins it. You win by attending Tuesday meetings and then being lucky enough to have your number randomly drawn from the bingo cage. If you are at the meeting when your number is drawn, you get a check. The first member to get 3 checks wins half the pot. The other half goes to our Child Abuse Prevention Foundation.

The most recent winner was Jeff Winkler who received a check for \$320. Congratulations Jeff!



Tyler presenting Jason a check for \$320 to the CAP Foundation for half of the Pot Draw.

~~ NEW MEMBERS ~~

The Downtown Exchange Club of Billings would like to welcome the following new member.

Lisa Von Laven

~~ MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES ~~

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

Sheryl Shandy	18 years
James Smith	7 years
Jerry Simonson	6 years
Rob Ridgeway	3 years
Kendra Bahm	3 years

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.



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