

June 2017

Kiwanis Club of Dubois



Serving the children of the world

Organized May 1992

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.

Meetings

Weekly on Tuesdays April – Oct

(1st and 3rd Tues Nov – March)

St. Thomas' Church Community Rm @ 6:45 a.m.

Meeting Dates/Program Planning

June 6	Judy Johnson
June 13	Board/Business
June 20	Mike McCullough
June 27	NO Meeting (<i>Cyclists dinner on 26th</i>)
July 4	NO Meeting (<i>Kids' Games in Park</i>)
July 11	Board/Business
July 18	Tammy Reed
July 25	Reenie Roe

Celebrate~

Happy Birthday ~

June 5	John Lee
June 19	Kevin Leseberg
July 2	Reenie Roe



Happy Anniversary ~

June 8	Pat & Jennet Ballinger
June 14	Mike & Karen McCullough
July 5	Gail Rae & Mark Hirschberger

Your life is your message to the world.
Make sure it's inspiring. (Author unknown)

A Bit of News...

~ **WELCOME** to our newest member **Janet Lee**, who was inducted May 9 ☺

~ **Super raffle prizes** and low cost tickets are now available! Sell, sell, sell so we can continue to give back to kids and community!

~ **Thank you** to all who helped clean the highway, assisted with the Safety Roundup, served on the scholarship & raffle committees, and hosted our 25th anniversary party. Great team effort in May!

~ **April Fool's Fundraiser** continues to be a success with \$1700 received thus far.

Upcoming Events/Projects/Activities

June 9 Full Moon in June at Dennison, 5-7pm

June 10 Kid's Fishing Day
Scout's Pond on Horse Creek Rd
Set up for lunch @ 10:30



June 17 Community Swedish Smorgasbord
Let Juleen know if you can volunteer

June 26 Dinner for 38 Journey of Hope cyclists
Serve at 6:00 pm, Community Room

July 4 Kids' Games in Town Park, 10:30 am
Parade at 2:00 pm

August 1-3 Wellness Screening @ Headwaters
Tues, Wed, Thurs: 7 – 10 a.m. daily

August 4-5 Rocky Mountain District Convention
Little America in Cheyenne

August 19 Prepare & Serve Eclipse Breakfast



Sunshinetic!

*There shall be eternal summer
in the grateful heart.*

~Celia Thaxter

Kiwanis Education ~

In addition to electing district officers, adopting resolutions, educating club officers and transacting other business, the 98th Rocky Mountain District Convention will feature many interesting forums and social events.

A welcome from Cheyenne's mayor and a message from Chef Trusan Comstock on *How to Sharpen Your Knife* will kick off Friday's agenda. The keynote speaker for Saturday's interclub luncheon is Elizabeth McCormick, a former Blackhawk Pilot. A BBQ, tour of the Old West Museum, trolley ride and Saturday night banquet, rodeo, live music & dancing also await attendees.

Each club may seat up to 3 delegates (selected no later than July 1) with bylaws noting that 2 of the delegates should be the president and the president-elect.

> > More news . . . please keep reading > >

May Meeting Recap ~

May 2: CHRISTINE SMITH OVER THE MOON CHILD CARE CENTER

Christine provided a history of the center that was established 10 years ago. The non-profit day care has a capacity of 15 children and is governed by a board of directors. Our club donates to their annual fund raising campaign.

Mark also told his *Story of the Flashlight*, an entertaining remembrance of a job at a drive-in theater when he was 16.
50/50 won by Pat

May 9: BOARD/BUSINESS

Committees reported on safety roundup, scholarship, club's 25th anniversary celebration, raffle, wellness screening and highway cleanup. It was decided to remove items from the display case at the Headwaters rather than pay the annual fee. Three scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$700. Prices were set for the August WHF screenings.

Michelle Herbert was approved as our new cook and her salary was set for weekly breakfasts. Monthly dues and meal costs will remain the same.

The following officers were elected for 2017-2018:

Roz Abel, president; Tammy Reed, president-elect; Jennet Ballinger, secretary; Judy Johnson, treasurer. Board members Mark Hinschberger, past president; Sue Bodar, Karen McCullough and Mike McCullough. Thank you all for serving!

50/50 won by Jennet

May 16: REVEREND MELINDA BOBO PMO SUICIDE PREVENTION

Melinda shared statistics noting that Wyoming has the highest suicide rate in the nation and it is too often thought of as a taboo subject. With a mission of "strengthening prevention efforts around alcohol, tobacco, others drugs and suicide" the Wyoming Prevention Management Organization (PMO) has partnered with Wyoming's Episcopal Diocese to provide suicide prevention trainings.

Melinda explained that the training is called QPR, which stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer, the 3 steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just as people trained in CPR and the Heimlich Maneuver help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize warning signs of a suicide crisis and become gatekeepers in helping to interrupt the cycle of isolation. "We have to get over the idea that it's not okay to ask" if someone is contemplating suicide, Melinda said, adding that the culture needs to change so more support is available.

St. Thomas' Episcopal Church and PMO will host a suicide prevention training on Monday, July 10 at the Headwaters from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. It is free and open to the public. Anyone interested in attending is asked to call the church office at 455-2313.

50/50 won by Pat

May 23: RON BLEVINS

Ron shared some interesting history about his brother Bruce, a 1965 Dubois High School graduate. Bruce Blevins became a civilian employee with the National Security Agency in Maryland after earning a degree in mathematics from Montana State. He had an interest in map histories and surveying that came about from summer work with the US Geological Survey and Bureau of Public Road during his college years. As a result, Bruce has authored 11 regional history books and Ron gave several away to those present at this meeting! Ron and Bruce's father George started the Dubois Bank and served as our town's mayor in the 70s.
50/50 won by Mark

May 30: JOHANNA THOMPSON, Director DUBOIS MUSEUM: WIND RIVER HISTORICAL CENTER

Johanna informed us of a new exhibit, ways they're addressing safety concerns and the busy summer program schedule.

The Dubois site currently has fossils and a dinosaur femur on display and hosted numerous school groups in May. With the addition of more challenging treks to historic sites in our valley, a need was determined for better equipment and training. Grants and donations have helped purchase first aid kits and a spot locator, and pay for the training of staff in wilderness first aid and CPR. A full page of informative programs was also distributed, with several requiring pre-registration.

The Dubois Museum Association will host Frontier Fest (formerly known as Museum Days) on July 22 from noon till 2 p.m.

Admission to any Fremont County Museum is \$5 for adults; \$4 for students and seniors. An annual pass is available for \$40. Membership in the Museum Association allows free admission.

50/50 won by Karen, who gave the cookies to our guest speaker



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