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SUNRISE KIWANIS Action Inc. Summer Meal program.
UPCOMING EVENTS

June 24-27, 2021
International Convention
Salt Lake City, UT

August 6-8, 2021
100th Anniversary
Montana District Convention
Butte, Montana
Copper King Inn

2022 Kiwanis International Convention
Manilla, Philippines

2023 International Convention
Minneapolis, MN

Key Club Summer District Board Meeting.
Best wishes for a great academic year!

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CONGRATULATIONS!
KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL 2020-21 LEADERS

ART RILEY
President
PETER MASCUSO
President-elect
BERT WEST
Vice President
The board and I wish to thank all who were able to participate on our Virtual District Convention on August 14th and 15th. It was a success with incoming Kiwanis International President Art Riley installing our District Officers for the 2020-2021 Kiwanis year which starts October 1.

The District will be making grants available to local Kiwanis Clubs to help some of their members, who have been negatively affected by the Covid virus pandemic, pay their dues for this coming year. We encourage all Clubs to contact their members in the next week or two to find out member’s intentions to pay their dues.

As Governor, this last year has been quite a challenge but there have been some very rewarding moments. I was able to visit 24 of our 37 clubs in the District either at a meeting or working on a community event for youth. In addition, the opening of the new Tobacco Valley club in northwest Montana was certainly a positive experience. As the end of this Kiwanis year rapidly approaches and we are still dealing with the pandemic, I hope the local Clubs and members find ways to serve their communities and youth. This is a very stressful time on our membership but in many cases a greater impact on young people. Kiwanis is needed even more now to help in this time of need and uncertainty.

I hope you will thank and show your appreciation to two of our members that are leaving District positions. The first is Hana Ciembrońowicz, who has been our webmaster, graphic designer and editor of the KSpan for the past 8 years, and secondly, Mary Brydich, who has served as the District Secretary-Treasurer for 10 years. Beginning October 1, Cathy Tutty of Butte Silverbow Kiwanis will become Governor and has already begun to plan the 100-year celebration of the Montana District in 2021.

We thank you for your participation and wish you and your Club a successful path to move forward in community service in this next upcoming Kiwanis Year.

Jim Greene
Montana Kiwanis District of Kiwanis Governor
The end-of-June 2020 Eliminate Project report from the Kiwanis Children’s Fund. June was a very slow month - but the Malta Club kept it from being a total wash - many thanks!

To recap the numbers, The Montana District at the Hamilton Convention pledged to raise our “fair share” - the $110,000,000 that Kiwanis International pledged to raise divided by the number of Kiwanians times our membership at that time - $647,296.

As of June 30, 2020, we have contributed $371,996.22 or just over 57% of our goal. We also have about $2000 of unpaid pledges on the books. Of note, just under 20% of the total District collections came from out SLP Clubs!

As you can see from the report, we have a 100% participation rate among the clubs. But we should remember that one donor gave some $5000 and out of that credited $100 to every club that had not contributed. They said that they did not want the district to look bad.

2020-2021 Governor Cathy, and Governor Elect Sherie, have committed to keep this pledge “on the front burner”. And a new committee has been formed to make that happen. But, of course, success will require every member and club to step up to the plate and deliver.

What are we talking about? Essentially, we need to raise $250 per member over the next couple of years. That is easily “doable.” We just have to say, “Because we said we would, we will!”

**In true Montana style, let’s just “get ‘er done.”**

And, as always, thanks for all each of you do to support our communities and the children of the world. I stand in awe of each of you.

*Ed Mangis*

Montana District Project Eliminate Co-Ordinator
Dr. William Ballinger - Helena

Dr. William “Bill” Ballinger passed away at the age of 92. He was a retired dermatologist and 52-year member of the Kiwanis Club of Helena. Bill was an active member until his health slowed him down. He served on many committees and oversaw the Helena Kiwanis child immunization held annually in the Capital Hill Mall. Bill was a quality person who despite the gruff tone cared deeply about others. He and his wife, Helen, were recipients of the Humanity Heroes Award.

He and Helen worked behind the scenes contributing money and energy to Helena’s cultural groups. They are longtime supporters of the Helena Symphony as well as live theater at Grandstreet Theatre and the Myrna Loy Center. They also volunteered or fundraised for the YMCA, ARTBEATS and the state Historical Society Museum. Helen worked on the restoration of Helena’s Piggott Mansion, while William was active in Kiwanis, served on the hospital board and worked with the Service Corps of Retired Executives.

In Bill’s words, the humanities “help us exchange ideas in a more civilized manner. They make society as a whole what it is. They have a civilizing effect.”

Horace Borchert - Havre

Horace Borchert passed away at the age of 94. He was a 31-year member of the Kiwanis Club of Havre. He was active in many of our service projects over the years and especially enjoyed the Kiwanis Apple sale every year. He was always one of the club’s top salespeople. He also enjoyed being the cashier at our annual Pancake Day. He and his ready smile are missed.

Daniel Carpenter - Havre

Dan Carpenter was an active, 13-year member of the Kiwanis Club of Havre. He especially enjoyed Pancake Day where he would cook the cakes and schmooze with the customers as they came through the serving line. He had a boisterous laugh that could burst out at any time and was fun to be around in meetings and service projects.
Colleen Brady - Helena

Colleen Brady, the long-time executive director of Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Helena and Great Falls, passed away at the age of 64 after battling breast cancer.

Those that knew Brady well described her as a faithful woman and a staunch advocate for the betterment of children’s health.

Colleen served as director of BBBS since 2012, and oversaw the organization through a difficult time. BBBS, like many other non-profits, saw a large portion of their funding disappear due to state budget cuts at the end of 2017. Management was forced to reduce staff and cut programs just to survive.

In December, BBBS named their new Helena office the “Colleen K. Brady Center for Big Brothers Big Sisters” to honor the children’s wellness advocate.

It’s actually the second center to be named after Brady. The first Brady Center is on the Academy of Holy Names campus in Tampa. She led a $15 million building and endowment campaign to rebuild their campus while she served as their President and CEO.

Colleen’s career has been dedicated to helping youth. She’s served in an array of positions including being an associate principal, admissions counselor and President of the Helena Kiwanis. She was a seven year member of the Kiwanis Club of Helena.

Stephen D. Cragon - Tombstone, Virginia City

Steve was a 31-year Kiwanian and passed away at the age of 90 years old. He dedicated much of his retirement to Kiwanis, including serving as Alabama District governor. He was governor of the Alabama District when Dave Curry was Governor of the Montana district. That year Kiwanis International chartered its first internet club which was in Montana (Tombstone, Virginia City). Steve was a charter member of the Tombstone club. His real Kiwanis involvement was with Alabama district. He was a member of the Vestavia-Hoover Kiwanis Club in Birmingham, Alabama.
Doreene Dale - Malta
Doreene Dale passed away in Sept. of 2019. She was an active member for nearly 27 years and had once served as president many years ago. Doreene was always glad to pitch in and help with various projects such as yard work at the Robinson House and art projects at our Boys and Girls Club. Doreene was famous for her baked goodies and often contributed home baked goodies to various silent auctions in our community. She crocheted winter caps for CASA and for Lutheran World Relief. She also made caps for gals battling chemotherapy. She is greatly missed in the Malta community and in our Kiwanis Club. She is survived by husband Richard Dale and many nieces and nephews in the area.

Jeanne Engebreston - Malta
Kiwanis member Jeanne Engebretson died December of 2019 following a ten year cancer battle. She was an 11-year Malta Kiwanis member. Jeanne taught in a one room Hutterite school near Loring, MT, very near the Canadian border. Due to the distance she was unable to attend our meetings during the school year. However, she was willing to help out during Christmas and summer activities. She often pitched in with concessions during school events and was very willing to take several low income children Christmas shopping during our club’s “Take A Kid Shopping” project. She is survived by many, many Malta friends, husband Erik, and three adult children.

Eileen Lewis - Billings Golden K
June 21, 1930 - July 23, 2020
Eileen Lewis grew up in Bridger, Montana and graduated from Red Lodge High School. Following high school, she went to Great Falls for nurses’ training, where she met and married her first husband, Henry L. Barnes who was in the Air Force. Their two children were born while they lived in Turkey. After a 20-year military career, they returned to Montana. After her husband passed away, Eileen earned her B.A. degree in Special Education from Eastern Montana College and worked as a social worker. Eileen then married Ken Lewis. He predeceased her. In 2009 Eileen joined Billings Golden K Kiwanis. Her favorite club activities were reading to the children in the Head Start Program, the clubs signature project, and the annual Pancake Breakfast, a main fundraiser for the club. We will miss her smile.
Memorials
Kiwanis Year 2019-2020

James Lucas - Miles City
James P. Lucas, age 93, passed on April 10, 2020. He was a 69-year member of the Miles City Kiwanis. He served as President of the club in 1955 but was always active in fundraising and service activities. He could be seen around town delivering Kiwanis apples and helped with the Meals on Wheels, to name a couple of activities. For many years he would give a “sports report” at the noon meetings and he was in charge of getting a noontime speaker for a great number of years. He moved to Florida in the later years to be close to family but was kept on the Miles City rolls as an honorary member. Outside of Kiwanis he led an interesting and varied life. He graduated from Custer County High School at age 16, attended Miles Community College, served in the Armed Forces during WWII, attended the U of M earning two Bachelor degrees and his Juris Doctor in 1951. He loved baseball and played throughout high school, in college and even semi-pro ball for a time. He opened a law practice in Miles City and served for a time as the Custer County Attorney. He was elected to the Montana House of Representatives in 1963, serving five terms, including as Speaker of the House from 1969-1972. He was very active in Miles City affairs, serving on Boards, especially for Miles City Community College, and many other activities. He had a quick wit and a spontaneity that made him an excellent Master of Ceremonies at many functions. He served Kiwanis, Miles City, the state and country well. His brother was past Montana District Governor Don Lucas.

Paul Johnson - Sidney
Paul was a 59-year member and what the Sidney Kiwanis members consider a great, dedicated old-school Kiwanian. Back when we had songs as part of our meetings, Paul would sing with great spirit and would love it! Although most of us are not singers, we admired how he made that part of the meeting special. Paul rarely missed a meeting. He truly is missed.
Denise McKeown – Helena
Denise McKeown, 44, passed away on Nov. 26, 2019, in Townsend.

The light of her life came when her son, Malcolm Innes, was born on August 8, 2008. Denise and Mike, Malcolm’s father, both loved to spend time with Malcolm and enjoyed taking him fishing and teaching Malcolm that fishing does not always equate to catching.

Denise enjoyed volunteering her time and helping others. Denise was involved in the Methodist Church, was temporary director for the Senior Center and worked with the Meals on Wheels program in Sturgis, SD. She was also a devoted member of the Kiwanis Club in Sturgis.

Denise relocated to Townsend, MT in the summer of 2019 and joined the Helena Kiwanis Club. She was eager to integrate into the Helena community and continue her volunteer work serving area youth through Kiwanis.

Vinola Squires – Dillon
Vinola Squires was an 11-year member of the Dillon Kiwanis. She was the host for their Kiwanis Club meetings at her restaurant for many years.

Many of you may remember she served as an unofficial first lady for Governor Bill O’Connor (2008-2009), driving him around the state and accompanying him to official gatherings when he was Governor. She was a kind person with a great smile.

W.J. Sweeney – Missoula Sentinel
William “Bill” Sweeney Bill was born in Colorado on 2/23/31. He passed on 11/8/2019. He worked for Exxon Oil for many years, but when he retired he moved back to his first love, Missoula, MT. There he was a small business owner and founded Sentinel Kiwanis through his good friends, Art Mandel and Bob Small. Sentinel Kiwanis was chartered in 1961 and Bill joined the club as an early member. Bill was an active member of the club until his death in 2019. He seldom missed a club meeting and was involved in many club activities throughout his lifetime. Bill, Art and Bob formed the “old man’s” table at the front of the room at the meetings and never relinquished that spot. Bill was an avid Griz fan. He supported the Griz financially and with season’s tickets throughout his many years. His place at Kiwanis meetings and club events is sorely missed.
How can you help youth and community during these trying times while keeping them and Kiwanians safe? There are many things we can do and at the same time minimizing risk to recipients and Kiwanis members. The following list is a menu of potential service activities that may be appropriate for your club and community. In all cases it is important to follow local, state and federal health guidelines. If youth clubs such as Key Club are involved, then the schools and parents need to be involved in the decision to participate.

✓ Package school supplies, either as a group or individually at home.
✓ Highway or park cleanup.
✓ Food drive.
✓ Playground maintenance and cleaning.
✓ Help the local library.
✓ Provide assistance/supplies to medical community.
✓ Supervise (baby sit) children so parents can take a break.
✓ Drive-in or outdoor movie events.
✓ Any outdoor event that provides social distancing and other local health guidelines.
✓ Internet/Zoom book reading to children.
✓ Small picnics for youth and Kiwanians outside.

If you have not determined local service projects during this time you may wish to consider doing a community wide needs assessment. This can be accomplished by phone, email or in person visits as a small group or individually. Clubs could develop a list of possible community contacts and then contact as a group or split up into individual lists of community leaders/interests. These contacts might include schools, businesses, government agencies, churches or non-profit organizations. Past needs may be significantly different than current ones. Kiwanis International has a guide “Rediscovering Your Community” which can be found at

https://www.kiwanis.org/docs/default-source/membership/ace_rediscovering-your-community.pdf?sfvrsn=7ffd26ef_2

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REDISCOVERING YOUR COMMUNITY

**Audience:** Membership committee, with club members’ participation where designated

Community surveys help clubs gather data about what the community needs from people who care. They also help to identify how the club might partner with others to address those needs and strengthen relationships with community leaders.

This step-by-step tool will lead you through the survey process. Along the way, it will reveal information about your club’s service impact, partnership opportunities and possibilities for expansion. Schedule this survey annually — or any time the club has experienced significant changes in its membership or service interests.

**STEP 1: CREATE CONTACT LISTS**

Brainstorm to identify community members who could provide the most useful information. Consider these people:

- Club partners and members of other groups with which the club has a relationship
- Community leaders
- Government officials
- Public safety officials
- School administrators
- Service Leadership Programs’ faculty advisors
- Chamber of Commerce leaders
- Librarians
- Members of the local media
- Hospital directors
- Members of faith-based organizations
- Key business owners
- Representatives of other organizations serving children (e.g., Boys & Girls Clubs)
- Residents or commuters (to gauge community needs in an impromptu interview)
STEP 2: IDENTIFY TEAM MEMBERS

Choose a partner or put together small teams. Working in pairs or teams can make the interview more comfortable, and ensure detailed notes are taken.

STEP 3: SCHEDULE AND CONDUCT INTERVIEWS

Determine which team members will contact which people/groups – and the time frame in which interviews should be completed. Interviews can take place by email, over the phone or in person. When it’s over, ask for contact information so you can follow up (and offer your own).

If the interview is face-to-face, ensure you have the most updated Kiwanis International application and information. Keep impromptu interviews between five and 10 minutes, and scheduled ones under 30. Before conducting an interview, introduce yourself, your club and the purpose of the interview. Let them know that all questions are optional and they can take as much time as they wish to answer.

Whatever interview format you choose, be prepared. Anticipate how it should go, and keep it focused. Capture responses in one place, whether it’s in a notepad or on a voice recorder, tablet or laptop.

Below are some sample scripts and questions to guide you.

Introducing yourself:

Hello, my name is ________________________, and I belong to the ________________________ Kiwanis Club. It’s good to meet you. Our club is very active in the community. We do projects like ________________________, but we want to see whether there are community needs that we don’t know about. To do this, we are trying to gather opinions about the good in our community, as well as how it could be improved. Would you have a few minutes to give me your opinion? Great! Don’t feel like you have to answer every question, and take as much or as little time as you need to answer.

Potential questions:

• What do you think our community does well? What do you like best about the community?
• What would make our community a better place to live, work and play?
• What are some unmet needs of our community? What should concern us most?
• Which organizations or groups are working to make our community better? Which are helping to improve children's lives?
• What is your “wish list” for our community?
• On a scale of one to five (with one being the lowest), how involved with the community have you been in the last three years?
• How do you see yourself getting more involved in improving the community?
• What are the greatest barriers to community involvement for you personally (if applicable) or for community members?
• What would get people excited about volunteering in the community?
• Who are the most respected and influential people in our community?
• Who else should we talk to about how we can help the community?
• Do you have any short-term needs that our club can assist with?
• Are there any long-term needs that you need community assistance or support with?
• What, if anything, is currently being done to address those needs?
• Do you have any questions, comments or final thoughts?

In closing: Be sure to offer a Kiwanis business card!

Thank you, ________________, for your time. We really appreciate it. I’d like to exchange contact information so that I can follow up with you about [anything interesting or left unanswered]. If you think of any need in the community that we didn’t talk about, please call me. Our club meets _________________. We’d love for you to join us so we can fill you in on the ways Kiwanis is already active in the ________________ area.

FOLLOW-UP NOTES

Community events that club members need to attend:

________________________________________________________

Media and marketing ideas:

________________________________________________________

Fundraising ideas:

________________________________________________________

Other people and/or organizations to contact:

________________________________________________________

STEP 4: DEBRIEF AND REFLECT

After completing community surveys, make time for a debriefing session. Collect the input from the interviews and discuss ideas for potential new service projects or fundraisers, partnerships or sponsorships, and even new members at a membership committee meeting. Questions to keep in mind:

Was any information obtained suggesting need(s) for club action?
Did members hear any of the same community needs?

Which seemed to be the top priority?

Does the club have the interest and financial means to pursue new projects? (Take a look at Analyzing your impact for ideas on weighing the costs and benefits of potential and current projects.)

Was there feedback about past Kiwanis service that should be addressed?

How might the club help resolve frequently noted community concerns?

Is there an upcoming service project to which you can invite individuals?

What people or organizations could you create relationships with? (Look at Developing community partnerships for more ideas about sponsorships and partnerships.)

If some issues warrant further discussion between community leaders and organizations, consider hosting a community forum with a cross-section of influencers. Develop open-ended questions about the areas of concern. For example: “How can we engage our children in community improvement?” or “What do you believe is the top issue concerning our youth?”
DREAM BIG!

Based on the needs and the ideas you’ve generated, think about these questions:

• If you could give your community anything, what would it be?
• What would that service project look like? Is this the “signature service project” in which your club is currently engaged?
• If “Yes!” can you make it even better?
• If “No,” what steps can your club take now to make your new service project happen by this time next year? Take a look at the Signature Project Toolkit to help determine your next move.
Thank you to all who came out to support the Billings Kiwanis Fishing Jamboree!

The Billings Kiwanis 24th Annual Youth Fishing Jamboree took place at Lake Josephine with 130 participants. Thank you to:

- **Cabela’s** who provided fishing poles for those in need.
- **Pryor Creek Bait Company** for providing worms for all.
- **Carol Henckel** for providing fishing instruction.
- **Montana Pikemaster** for providing fishing assistance to the attendees.
- **Audubon Nature** for providing instruction.
- **Walleyes Unlimited, Poly Food Basket, and Pepsi Cola** for providing a picnic lunch.

116 fish were caught, that included several bass and perch, one trout and Catfish, plus many blue gills.

Golden K Kiwanis members make 200 PB&J at the Salvation Army kitchen for their Community Table Van. Thank you Cynthia, Everett, Bob, Charlie, Addy, and Leo! Kiwanis is proud to help feed the hungry and the homeless of Billings.

The Riverside Builders Club uses the money earned with BoxTops to make 200 PB&J sandwiches once a month for the homeless and hungry in our community.

**HELP RIVERSIDE BUILDER’S CLUB FROM YOUR KEYBOARD**
List Riverside Middle School
Billings, MT 59101

**BILLINGS GOLDEN K**
DIVISION 4
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The Boulder Kiwanis Club wanted to thank those that contributed to the Boulder Fourth of July celebration either with a fireworks purchase or with a financial donation. It was a success that brought the community together! A special thank you to:
- Volunteer firemen who put on the fireworks display
- See ’n Save,
- L&P Grocery,
- and Bear Grass Suites.

The West Park Children’s Memorial Gardens served as a location, speaker, and service project for the Bozeman Kiwanis Club. What a great idea to think out of the box during COVID.

At the MAP Brewing Company, it was Christmas in July Pint Night to benefit Hope and the Holidays. Bozeman Kiwanis assists in this program throughout the year.

The Sunshine Camp continues to bring summer fun to the children of Butte in their partnership with the YMCA.

Butte Kiwanians also make sure kids are fed for the summer. Thank you to Deanna Johnson, Peggy McCoy, and Kylee Hamaker.

Capital City Kiwanians were reunited after a long flattening of the curve and planning how they can continue to be of service. #MaskUpMT
All summer the Sunrise Kiwanis club members have provided lunch for the Action Inc Summer Meal program. This last week a little boy came up after walking some blocks and asked if he could have an extra for his brother who wasn’t in school, but he was still hungry too. Of course, they fed his entire family. This is why Sunrise Kiwanis does what they do!

Sunrise would like to congratulate:
• 29 years as members - Marcia Baker, Sandi Seccomb, Steve Axelson, and Dave Isakson
• 25 year member Doug Aldred
• 22 year member Ray Peterson
• 10 year member Kay Duncan
Congratulations their Kiwanis anniversary!

Hail doesn’t stop Sunrise Kiwanis from having a get together AND if you stick around you get to see a mama moose and her twins. Thanks Ray Petersen!

Enjoy the happy of the Helena Kiwanis Club!

#ILoveMyHelenaKiwanians
Harlowton Kiwanis honored seven 4.0 students. Congratulations to Colter Woldstad, Jason Todhunter, Emmy Martin, Karli Lane, Katie Glennie, Laura Power, and Brilee Peters! Congrats to all 34 Harlowton High School students who maintained a 3.5 GPA or better for 3 consecutive quarters.

Harlowton Kiwanis posts 85 flags as part of the Kiwanis Flag Project. Kiwanis posts flags on flag holidays for those patrons who subscribe to the service.

Harlowton Celebrates Independence Day!

The summer membership competition has begun! Who are you rooting for? Boots or Spurs?

Jim Greene, our Montana Kiwanis Governor and his wife Jeanne had an official visit to the Harlowton Kiwanis Club.

Harlowton Kiwanis sponsors everyone swims free on Sundays at the Harlowton Swimming Pool for 2020 pool season. In July alone they paid for over 100 swimmers! Those children will remember a summer sponsored for them by Kiwanis!

The PAVE THE WAVE project has begun at the pool!!

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Kalispell Kiwanians have been meeting at their Kiwanis Lodge with social distancing, masks, and single safely prepared burgers. Also, the historic outhouse is back up and running (not that it gets used unless things are really hopping 😄) Thank you, Mark, for repair of the dock!

Keep an eye out for a reschedule chance to win some bikes and get helmets the 3rd Saturday in May, 2021. In the mean time, look for the Student Stand Down event in August.

Kootenai Kiwanis aided the Troy schools and the Kootenai Valley Christian school with school supplies for their "at home" students.

Congratulations to Shelby Smith as the winner of Kootenai Kiwanis Scholarship for 2020. the winner of the Kiwanis Scholarship awarded to a Troy High School Student for the 2020 school year. Mazzy Hermes will be attending Montana State University.

Cold Drink and music are ready for you from Miles City Kiwanis during Cowtown Moosic! See you Tuesdays!

The Miles City Kiwanis club developed a free drive -in movie theater where they have shown The Sandlot, Mrs. Doubtfire, and Ford vs. Ferrari.
LEWISTOWN KIWANIS

DIVISION 6

Lewistown Kiwanis successfully cleaned the East End Highway.

Watch us put the flags up for Flag Day and the 4th of July.

Lewistown Kiwanis had an interclub to Harlowton Kiwanis.

Governor Jim Greene made an official visit to Lewistown Kiwanis.

Lewistown Kiwanis held a picnic where member, Bob Passow, retired from Kiwanis and was honored with a plaque and cake for all of his volunteer hours for 25 years.

Steve Aadlund accepts the Lewistown Kiwanis $1000 donation to the Special K Ranch.

MISSOULA KIWANIS

DIVISION 1

Big Sky Key Club’s celebrated its five seniors!!
- Four of the five seniors applied for and received a scholarship from the Kiwanis Club of Missoula.
- Each senior received a beautiful bouquet of yellow flowers with blue and gold ribbons, a blanket with their university’s colors.
- All five seniors were awarded an Eagle Medallion (for contributions to Big Sky) and wore their Key Club honors cord at graduation. These five women will change the world!!

Rhys and Layla are named the Lowell School Students of the Month. Learning online is hard—it requires focus, dedication and an ability to independently desire success. Congratulations to these students keeping up this effort during trying times.

While Tombstone is an on-line club, we are loosely based out of the town of Virginia City, home of the vigilantes. During this difficult economic time, two members of our club vacationed in Virginia City for a few days to support their economy.

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DIVISION 1  SENTINEL KIWANIS, MISSOULA

Sentinel Kiwanis met at the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula. Everyone had a lovely morning and brought their own chair and coffee. Matt, the director, give a presentation from the front porch area. What a unique way to have an in-person, yet safe, meeting.

Thank you Kiwanians for stepping up and providing meals for families at the Ronald McDonald House! A total of $290 was donated; in addition, The Trough donated a meal for each meal purchased.

DIVISION 7  SIDNEY KIWANIS

Sidney Kiwanis held meetings outside with lovely music by Annika Bennion! She will be participating in Miss Montana Outstanding Teen with a No Nicotine America Platform! More videos of her talent to follow!

Sidney Kiwanis held the BEST event of the year! A PIE SOCIAL! It also happened to have homemade beans and local meat freshly BBQ’d, but did we mention the pie?

WATCH HERE