

This morning was rather light in attendance.

Also, there was NO MEAT whatsoever at breakfast. I thought our contract was that we were to have some meat at each breakfast... wonder what happened this morning. Maybe we ought to cut the payment in half for this morning??? Just a suggestion...

Announcements:

Dress A Child is coming up on October 18. This is one of the BEST programs at which we volunteer our time. Surprisingly, we still need people to sign up.

There is a recruitment/membership drive social at the Red Door Lounge at 3875 Grand Ave on October 15, beginning at 5:30PM. However, we will not be in the big party room; we will meet by the fireplace in the lounge. I heard through the grape vine that there will be a raffle with only those that bring a potential member getting a ticket, along with the potential member.

On November 22 for the Bobcat/Griz game, we will have a pancake breakfast fundraiser in the parking lot at the American Legion. Following the pancake breakfast, we will be having a potluck watch party. More to come later on this.

A tidbit of BEC history - the golf committee was first formed in 1981, followed by the first Bejot Open Golf Tournament two years later. Also in 1983, the board of directors voted to waive the dues for the President, President-elect, Secretary and Treasurer as an initiative to take on these positions.

The Cat/Griz pool board still has squares available for \$20/square. Contact Shawnee for more info.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Ken Rauch!!!!

This morning we had the pleasure to have Ally Allen, the Miss Rodeo Montana 2025 in attendance as our speaker. Ally is originally from Huntley, MT, but graduated from Senior High School in Billings. At a young age, she had a traumatic brain injury caused by a skiing accident, she fell off the ski lift, and was hit in the head by the ski lift chair. In her own words, "It was a God moment." She normally never wears a helmet while snow skiing, but something (or someone) that morning told her to put on a helmet. She did, and that helmet saved her life. Her family was told that she would never walk or talk again. But through the persistence and determination of her family and herself, she is now Miss Rodeo Montana. Her platform as Miss Rodeo Montana is "Live Limitless". This platform means

that you are more than your limitations and you have to push through to achieve your best. You are NOTHING without God and a good support system behind you.

Ally's "regular job" is working at the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch. The Boys and Girls Ranch is a real working ranch, and Ally helps to teach the kids how to work with the ranch animals and most everything about ranching.

As an interesting side note, Rodeo is the ONLY SPORT that begins with a prayer and our National Anthem.

For only the second time EVER... I won the raffle this morning. Brynn called it correctly, as he said I was going to win. Apparently this is one of his "gifts", being right most of the time when he calls the winner of raffles, etc. His wife calls this gift, "creepy".

Until next time,

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