

The Raindrop

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From The President



Hi Rainmakers:

We had election of officers at the January meeting, and we had two brave souls step up and volunteer for 2 of the officer positions. **Janice LaVoy volunteered for the Vice President's** position and **John Vannover volunteered for Sec./Treas.** Both volunteers were voted in at the meeting.

Also at the meeting it was announced that the club would continue to pay for coffee and rolls on all sponsored rides. Also any member signing up 3 new members during the year, will receive a free membership for the next year.

I would like to set a goal this year of 10 new members, if everyone puts a little effort into this I believe that we can accomplish this goal. Challenge for current members, recruit, recruit and recruit some more.

Darrel

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From the Editor.....

Raindrop is posted to both websites each month. **No email ?** You'll still receive a Raindrop each month via postal mail. **Let me know if you get internet access, I can always add you to the email list!**

Deadline for entries to the Raindrop, is the 25th of the month. Contact me @ home 252-7704 or via email @ bcpmmach@bresnan.net. Thank you to **EVERYONE** who sent stuff in for the February Raindrop. The response was totally overwhelming ! *Cheryl Blaquiere*



Woman Sentenced in Wreck

(Billings Gazette December 23, 2006)

LIVINGSTON—A Livingston woman has been given a one-year suspended sentence for a misdemeanor charge of reckless driving resulting in a death.

Karen Harris Schumacher, 53, pleaded no contest to the charge. She was sentenced Thursday.

According to court documents, Schumacher drove her sport utility vehicle through a stop sign and into the path of two motorcycles, causing a crash that killed Terry C Stenberg, 51 of Livingston.

The driver of the other motorcycle was able to avoid the collision, which happened July 4 near Livingston.

Stenberg was not wearing a helmet and died at the scene, Park County Coroner Al Jenkins said after the crash. Schumacher and her juvenile passenger were uninjured.

Along with the suspended sentence, Schumacher was ordered to pay \$4000.00 to Stenberg's widow and \$90.00 in court costs, and to complete 100 hours of community service.

Provided to the Rainmakers by Larry Nichols

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Trivia Test**Answers elsewhere in the newsletter.

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4. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "War of the Worlds"?
5. MOVIES: What was Bert's job in the movie "Mary Poppins"?
6. CHILDREN'S BOOKS: In the nursery rhyme, who called for a pipe, bowl and fiddlers three?
7. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the town of Edam, home of the famous type of cheese?
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Rainmaker Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2007



Darrel called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM. There were no visitors or guests at the meeting so Darrel began the meeting with election of new officers.

The first position that was filled was the sec./treasurer. John Vanover volunteers for this position and was elected by unanimous declaration. The second position up for election was vice president. After some consideration Janice LaVoy was nominated and was elected unanimously. Congratulations to the new officers and many thanks to Darrel LaVoy for staying on as president for one more year.

After the election of officers Don Bushman gave a treasurers report. The balance in the checkbook is \$683.61 after paying the news letter expenses. Don Bushman stated that the Salvasons' and the Porchs' were unable to attend the Christmas party do to extenuating circumstances beyond their control. After some discussion Bill Blaquiére made a motion to refund their money for the Christmas party. The motion was seconded by Larry Nichols and passed unanimously. Don also stated that we are in need of buying new nameplates for the license plate holders that Bill made. Bill said that he would bring them into work and Don will get them made. Don estimated that the cost at \$100.00 and that he would have a firm figure at the next meeting.

Darrel handed out a proposal for advertisers who would like to buy extra advertising. We would sell ¼ page, ½ page, and whole page ads. After some discussion on the fees for the ads and what the extra costs to print the ads would be the price for the ads was set. The cost for the ads will be \$20.00 for a ¼ page, \$25.00 ½ page, and \$30.00 for a whole page ad. Cheryl stated that she would put the prices and ad sizes in the newsletter.

The next item for discussion was the ride card. Mike Henry stated that the ride schedule was set and that we needed to decide on the Saturday day rides. Paul Mundschan proposed that Saturday rides should be shorter than the Sunday rides. Darrel wanted the rides to have a destination but not be sponsored. After much discussion it was decided that the Saturday rides would be lottery rides. A group will get together and come up with several rides that are about 3 to 4 hours long. At the monthly meeting before the rides a drawing will be held for each Saturday ride the following month? Mike should have the ride cards for the February meeting.

Darrel reminded everyone that if you sign up 3 new members this year next years membership dues are waived. Darrel stated that the new member goal for this year is 10 so get out there and talk motorcycles.

Darrel also reminded everyone that the club will be buying doughnuts and coffee on the sponsored Sunday rides this year.

Larry Nichols brought a copy of a news paper article about a motorist who ran a stop sign and killed a motorcyclist. He thought the punishment for the driver of the SUV was too lenient. After discussing the issue Larry said he would research the story more and also would contact AMA and find out their opinion on this accident and report to the club at the next meeting.

Larry asked for a show of hands for those who will be going on the dinner ride for January it is to the Jade Palace. Larry will make the reservations for 8.

Jerry stated that the shooters half of the shake a day after this meeting will be \$407.50 and that there were no shake a day winners in January. The winners half of the 50/50 drawing is \$15.50 and was won by Dave Alder way to go Dave.

A motion to adjourn was made by Cheryl Blaquiére and seconded by Janice LaVoy. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Don Bushman Secretary/Treasurer



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 13th- Nancy Ness
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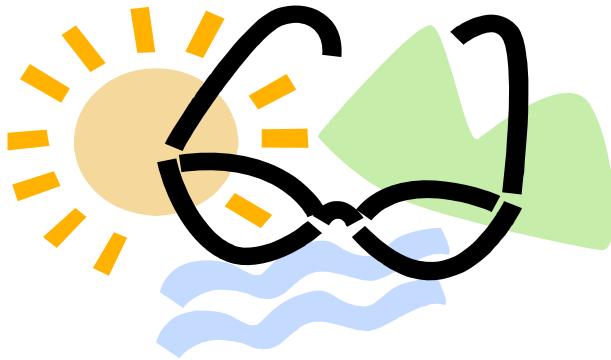
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Old Man and a Teenager

I was at the mall the other day eating at the food court. I noticed an old man watching a teenager sitting next to him. The teenager had spiked hair in all different colors: green, red, orange, and blue. The old man kept staring at him. The teenager would look and find the old man staring every time. When the teenager had enough, he sarcastically asked, "What's the matter old man, never done anything wild in your life?" The old man did not bat an eye in his response, "Got drunk once and had sex with a peacock. I was just wondering if you were my son."

Submitted by Dave Alder



5 secrets for a perfect relationship...

1. It's important to have a woman who helps at home, who cooks from time to time, cleans up and has a job.
2. It's important to have a woman who can make you laugh.
3. It's important to have a woman who you can trust and who doesn't lie to you.
4. It's important to have a woman who is good in bed and who likes to be with you.
and last.....
5. It's very, very important that these four women don't know each other.

Submitted by Janice LaVoy



Lolo Ride 2007

We will once again lead the annual Rainmaker Lolo Ride. This year the 4th of July falls on a Wednesday. We will be leaving Billings at 8:00 am Saturday June 30th and plan to return to Billings mid-day on Tuesday July 3rd. This ride will consist of 3 ½ days and 3 nights out on the road. We will return early on the 3rd to allow you and us the rest of the week to attend Wing Ding 2007 at Metra Park on the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th of July.

Our ride is in the planning stages at this point. But in order to plan, we need you to commit now! We need to reserve a block of rooms in Lolo as soon as possible. We don't know how many Goldwingers will be coming through Montana from that direction and may have motel rooms full along the way already.

If you are interested in attending we must have your name on our planning list soon! Contact us, Bill & Cheryl Blaquiere, in the evening @ 252-7704



Saturday Lite Rides

Ten Rainmaker members met at the Blaquiere's on Saturday January 13th to put together an itinerary for this years upcoming Saturday Lite rides.

Those of us that attended enjoyed homemade chili (Cheryl), homemade sourdough rolls and home-made wine (Kendra & Dave) and shrimp, cheese, crackers & sausage (Bev) were: Bill & Cheryl, Dave & Kendra, Dave & Karen, Paul & Bev and Darrel & Janice. We had a 'slide' show of membership pictures and August 2006 Colorado Ride.

It was decided to set up a total of 12 short (lite) rides. Five of them start at 8:00 am and seven of them start at 10:00, consisting of approximately 4 hours each. These lite rides will start in May and end in September, with 2 rides held each month. Here is the way it works; in April we will draw out 2 rides one from the 8:00 box (early ride) and one from the 10:00 box (late ride). These rides will then be posted in the next month's Raindrop for those who wish to attend the Saturday Lite Rides.

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Balzer	Judy		3540 Stillwater Dr.	Billings	MT	59102	655-8983			2004
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Bauer	Gary	Karen	2224 Hyacinth Drive	Billings	MT	59105	248-8087		gkb222@vcn.com	2005
Beebe	Art	Kelly	P.O. Box 1852	Billings	MT	59103			kbab5@aol.com	1976
Blaquiere	Bill	Cheryl	3448 Fife Circle	Billings	MT	59101	252-7704	698-3353	bcpmmach@bresnan.net	2000
Blaquiere	Ron	Laura	524 33rd Avenue N.E.	Great Falls	MT	59404	727-0156		nanapapa@imt.net	2003
Brewer	Darrell	Juanita	PO Box 294 1304 First East	Roundup	MT	59072	323-1326			1983
Brown	Bob		P.O. Box 101	Park City	MT	59063	Ofc 633-2521			2005
Bruget	Dave	Kendra	1942 Patricia Ln	Billings	MT	59102	652-5090		d_k_bruget@msn.com	2002
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Porch	Rodger	Elizabeth	2907 17th St West	Billings	MT	59102	652-5901		rod.porch@bresnan.net	2006
Pust	Lester	Laura	1815 17th St. W	Billings	MT	59102	245-6480			2006
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Siemens	Charles	Goldie	4222 Carlton Ave SW	Billings	MT	59101	256-1211			2001
Slagowski	Dick	Alice	1515 21st St West	Billings	MT	59102	259-9319	652-5599	asluggo@msn.com	2001
Vannover	John		1030 Ave C	Billings	MT	59102	252-3162		JohnnyV60@hotmail.com	2005
Waller	Jerry		3372 Canyon Dr.	Billings	MT	59102	656-0012		jwaller@imt.net	2003
Wasia	Gene	Cathy	1232 Custer Av	Billings	MT	59102	245-5941			2000

February 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Ground Hog Day 	3
4 Show Up Ride @ 11:00	5 Happy Birthday Cheryl Blaquiere Bob Roberts What are we doing for our birthday's Bob? Cheryl	6	7	8 Happy Birthday Juanita Brewer	9	10
11 Show Up Ride @ 11:00	12 Abraham Lincoln's Birthday 	13 Happy Birthday Nancy Ness	14 Valentines Day Monthly Meeting @ Holiday Inn 7:30—dinner @ 6:30 	15 Happy Birthday Steve Ness	16	17
18 Show Up Ride @ 11:00	19 President's Day 	20	21 Ash Wednesday  Dinner ride to Briarwood Country Club @ 6:30	22 George Washington's Birthday 	23	24
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Dinner Ride Restaurants

Fuddruckers Heights	406-259-2489
Laurel Country Club	406-628-2060
DJ's-Laurel	406-628-8780
Rockvale Restaurant, Rockvale, MT	406-962-3963
Grizzly Bar, Roscoe, MT	406-328-6789
Hungry Bear Café, Bearcreek, MT	406-466-9177
Next Generation Grille, Roundup, MT	406-323-2318
Brown Bear Café, Roberts, MT	406-445-2318
Crazy Mary's (Long Branch), Ballentine	406-967-3855
Apple Villiage, Columbus, MT	406-322-5939
Stroker's Supper Club, Huntley, MT	406-348-2042
Montana Hanna's, Nye, MT	406-328-7400/406-328-7373
Briarwood Country Club, Billings	406-245-2966
Jade Palace, Billings	406-656-8888
307 Bar & Casino, Columbus, MT	406-322-4511
Rockpile Restaurant, Billings	406-245-5985
Montana Jack's, Billings	406-252-0243
Tiny's Tavern, Billings	406-259-0828
Santa Fe Red's, Billings	406-252-2221
Gusick's, Billings	406-652-5441
Whitlock's Steak House, Columbus, MT	406-322-8677

