

**May 16, 2016 Member Minutes
Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce**

Members present: Matt Benjamin, Doug Fender, Wilma Steiner, Deb Brandon, Mike Mills, Crissy Bauman, Mike O'Brien, Ray Busby, Elliott Crump and Ashley Kolve

REPORTS:

City of Shelby

- City council meets on Monday, May 16 at 7:30 pm at City Hal.
- A reminder to all Shelby businesses that Shelby High School is conducting their Community Service Day this Thursday morning. Be looking for students cleaning around our community.

Toole County

- The Commissioner's will be attending the following meetings this week:
 - Tuesday-** County Road Board- 8 am at the Griddle, MACo District Meeting in Conrad at 10 am at the Pondera Center, Sunburst/Kevin Senior Center Meeting at 1:30 pm at the Sunburst Lutheran Church.
 - Thursday-** Mental Health Advisory Meeting at noon at Ringside Ribs.
- The Shelby Senior Center is honoring Joe Gladeau for all his years of service on Wednesday at noon. Please call the center by 9 am to reserve a meal if you plan on attending. Beef Tips with gravy in the meal.
- Jessica Brusven was selected as the new interim CEO for a period of 3 to 6 months at Marias Medical Center.
- The Transit Director Job will be posted at Shelby Job Service. It is a fulltime position with a starting wage of \$16.25. Transit driver positions are still available.

School District #14

- Kathie Griffis is going to be teaching dual credit next year. If someone would like more information they should talk to Merilee Kleiber on Tuesday, May 17.
- Shelby golfers will be participating in the State Golf meeting Billings on May 16-18.
- A send off assembly will be held for the Special Olympics State Tournament on May 17.
- The Junior High Spring Concert is at 7 pm on May 17.
- May 19 is the Community Service Cleanup Day.
- The 3rd- 5th grade Spring Concert is at 2 pm on May 19.
- The Divisional Track Meet is in Great Falls on May 21.
- The Divisional Softball Tournament is on May 20-21 in Columbus.
- Senior Awards Night is at 6 pm at St. Lukes on May 23.
- The SHS POP Concert is at 7 pm on May 24.
- The DARE Graduation Party for 5th grade students is on May 25 with DARE graduation on May 26 at 7 pm.
- The State Softball Tournament is in Kalispell on May 26-28.
- The State Track Meet is in Bozeman on May 27-28.
- Graduation is on May 29 at 3 pm.
- No School on Memorial Day May 30.

- The Community Rules Rodeo is on May 31.
- A Retirement Reception will be held for Donna Sparks, Barb Donnell, Chris Leary, and Marlena Schwenke in the Elementary School cafeteria on Tuesday, May 31 from 3:30 to 5:30 pm.
- June 1st is the Fun Run and Field day and also 8th Grade Celebration at 7 pm.
- June 2 is the final MBI and Academic Assembly. School will be dismissed at 1 pm.

CCA

- Inmates are completing refinishing work on more than 70 pieces of furniture for the Marias Heritage Center.
- The Fairground bathroom construction project was completed on May 16.
- Five candidates were in class last week and 6 to 7 will start next Monday.
- A new nurse practitioner will start on June 6.
- Five inmates have now been cleared to work outside. They will be wearing new uniforms with orange and white stripes which designate them from the usual red inmate uniform.

Merchants Association: The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, June 21 at The Griddle. Kites and other wind items are still available for sale at participating businesses.

OLD BUSINESS:

Shelby Kite Festival Update: Feather flags have been lettered and will be on display at the event. Portapots have been ordered and numerous vendors are expected. The event is scheduled for 9 am to 4 pm and kite making is slated to begin at 11 am. The public is encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets. Several food vendors will also be on site.

May Chamber After Hours at NaturEner had about 30 people in attendance and they were give a short informational presentation on the wind farm and the workings of a wind turbine. The group then walked to a nearby turbine and got to see the inside of a turbine. The weather cooperated and provided wind to turn the turbines and also dried the road and field for good walking to the turbine. Appreciation for the freshly plowed county road by the County Road Department was verbalized by the attendees.

NEW BUSINESS:

Candidates Forum- The Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Candidates Forum on Thursday, May 18th from 7 to 9 pm at the Shelby High School auditorium. All the local primary candidates have been invited to participate. The moderator will ask questions of every candidate unless a candidate declines. No questions will be taken from the audience because of time considerations. A candidate's reception with light refreshments will follow in the lobby to give the public an opportunity to speak with the candidates in person.

Shelby Street Fair Committee Meeting- The event is two short months away and a second planning meeting is being scheduled.

Office Closed Thursday & Friday- Audie is taking a couple of personal days on May 19 & 20 so the office will be closed on those days.

Visitor Information Center- A staff preparation work day is scheduled for Tuesday, May 17 at 5 pm to remove last year's brochures and to restock the shelves with 2016 printed material. The facility will open for the season on Monday, May 23. Visitors are welcome from 9 am to 6 pm on Monday through Friday and 11 am to 6 pm on Saturdays. The facility is closed on Sunday.

Guest Speaker/ May 23- Luca Furnare Port Director at Sweetgrass will be the featured guest speaker next Monday.

Business of the Week: Mountain View Reload is a full transportation and distribution service. We provide rail/truck transfer; boxcar loading/unloading, flatcar loading/unloading; packaging and palletizing. Products supported are lumber, panel, drilling fluids, steel pipe, fertilizer, frac sand, building products, matting, machinery, and numerous other products moving in and out of the US and domestically.

Kudos of the Week:

Audie thanked Doug Fender for the idea of the Shelby Kite Festival and all the preparation work he has done for the event.

Crissy wanted to thank Ten Pin Alley for hosting the Relay for Life bowling tournament on April 30 and May 1st. She also thanked Cheri Hirst and the Comfort Inn for all the prize donations.

Meeting adjourned. Reported by Audie Bancroft.

Featured Coupon from the new 2015 Chamber Bonus Book:

Forever Fine Jewelry- FREE Watch Battery

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