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\$100 million

1. Kiwanis International has pledged or raised over

2. The Montana District **District Convention club** to raising of \$650,000!

3. Key Club, at international raising an additional

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ELIMINATE STEPS FORWARD

- \$100,000,000 dollars.
- representatives committed
- convention, committed to \$3,000,000!!



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How can I get more information about my club in the K-Span or Facebook page. If you have any news, projects, or fundraiswers for the District newsletter, please contact Hana at kspan@email.com. The KSpan comes out six times per year.

Gov. Bill Jones

One Child, One Community, One Club At A Time

Greetings Gellow Montana & Salmon, Idaho Kiwanians,

We are starting our second century of service to the children of the world, one child, and one community at a time.

We have had many successes and some defeats in the previous year. We have lost a few clubs and with the start of the new Kiwanis year we have some attrition in membership as members reassess their commitment and time availability to the Kiwanis mission. This is not just Kiwanis that faces these problems, it is service clubs worldwide that face this problem. On a bright note a new club is being chartered in Great Falls.

I am stressing the importance of each club having an active membership committee that works at establishing a process to recruit new members and to assure that existing members feel that they are contributing to issues they feel strongly about and that expertise and passion is being utilized.

The Formula co-chairs Glen Wheeler and Chuck Amdahl, and their team are ready to assist clubs in membership growth. LOVE IT, SHARE IT, LIVE IT!

Kiwanis International is collaborating with the Jaycee International organization and encourages Kiwanis Clubs to work closely with them. JC members "age" out and can't be members anymore. They would be excellent candidates for new memberships and they already know the importance of service clubs. If you have clubs in your area, contact them.

Also, work with the other service clubs in your area. If they or you have a big community project planned and may not have the available workers, band together and wear your Kiwanis apron/vests. It isn't always a financial reason we do things, it is for the good of the community.

Each Kiwanis Club is a small business. You have commitments to your membership, your Service Leadership Projects like Key Club, Builders Club, Circle K, Kiwanis International and others. It is up to the clubs to see that their leadership gets the proper training to manage the club business. Kiwanis International mandates that certain tasks get done in a timely manner. If they don't get done there is a ripple effect through the organization. We also have to deal with the IRS and other government agencies to maintain non-profit status.

This year will be a year to strengthen our existing clubs. I pledge there will be better communications between clubs and leadership. Let's all work together to make Kiwanis stronger.

Volunteer service is "The rent you pay for the space you occupy in your community".

Bill Jones
Governor
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2015-2016



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Hello Montana Kiwanians!

I am happy to be serving you for a second year as Lt. Governor of Division 9. I am from the Capital City Kiwanis Club in Helena, have been in Kiwanis for 5 years, but in the Kiwanis Family over 20 years.

The Montana Kiwanis District Board met last week and came up with some exciting plans for you to look forward to this year. I'm sure most of us have said, "Gosh if we just had a couple more people, this project would be so much easier..."

WE ALL HAVE!

Well, in that spirit, the board has set a goal and created a project to amp up our membership efforts -It's called PROJECT 480. If you break it down, recruiting 1 member a month doesn't seem so hard, does it? If all of our 40 clubs committed to adding 1 member a month – over 12 months – our district would grow by 480 members - and we'd reach numbers we haven't seen since the 80's!

I know what you're thinking -this is crazy, and outlandish. Well frankly, we could use a little dreaming beyond our boundaries, because it's time and we need to do it. We all love Kiwanis, and we know what we can do together. And it's time to take care of our members and work together to share this great blessing we have.

We have many resources to help recruiting, including the FORMULA team (ask your Lt. Governor if you don't know what this is.) But the most powerful tool you have is the power to ask someone to come to a meeting or service project, invite someone you discounted a long time ago. If we all work together, we can make this happen. "But gosh, K'Lynn, wouldn't it be terrible if we set this lofty goal and didn't get there?" - Yeah, wouldn't it be really awful to instead end up with 240 new members in the district - oh yeah, that would be a tragedy. (NOT!)

I'm in Kiwanis because I had an amazing experience in Key Club and Circle K, and I've known so many people whose lives have been changed for the better through those programs. I want us to be able to provide at least the same quality of these programs (or better!) for our kids to come. So, please think about how you can share this gift of Kiwanis with others in your community, and continue to give the greatest gifts we can give to children.

I hope you have a great year in Kiwanis, and let's do great things together.

K'Lynn Sloan Harris Lt. Governor Division 9

Membership Drive 2015

The district has changed its membership drive from April/May to October/November. We believe that members who join earlier will become more engaged in the club and are more likely to renew their membership the following October.

The board decided to give two \$250 awards toward the club's service project: One for clubs 39 members and under and one for clubs 40+ members rather than a percentage of membership. The member who brings in the most members (two or more) will receive one night's lodging and registration/meal package to either the Mid-Winter Conference or District Convention (\$250 value).

Monthly Reports

Thank you to all the clubs who have submitted their monthly reports. Please submit your monthly reports. These reports help to keep you and Kiwanis International as a non-profit. It is also how clubs/district receives distinguished status.

Leadership Training

There is Club Leadership Training and Secretaries training including Secretaries' online training on February 26 in Bozeman. The district pays for one night's lodging and Friday's lunch to attend this training. We hope your incoming officers will attend.

With the new year ahead, have you:

- Conducted a Club Assessment to see how your club fares with your members?
- Held a Membership Drive to finish strong? The district is holding its annual membership drive the months of October and November rather than April/May. Bringing in members early is an advantage to the clubs and also helps the member. The club who brings in the most members will receive \$250 for its service projects (two categories 39 members & under and 40+ members). The individual who brings in the most members receives one night's lodging and registration/meal package (\$250 value) to either the Mid-Winter or District convention.
- 3. Have you arranged to have your Treasurer's books to have a financial review so they are in order for next year?
- 4. Do you have a club brochure that you can hand out? I can provide samples of club brochures.
- Do you have a New Member Orientation presentation? There is one on the website that you can tailor to your club. If you would like a copy, please let me know and I can email the template to you.

Thank you for all you do for Kiwanis and the children in your communities and around the world. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Mary Brydich Secretary-Treasurer

GREAT FALLS ELECTRIC CITY KIWANIS

Charter Night Gala! Saturday, Nov. 7th, 2015 at 7 p.m. (6:00 p.m. no host social hour)

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Please RSVP to Kiwanis Lt. Governor Nadine Preston As Soon As Possible nadinepreston@msn.com or 406.217.1874



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Keynote Speaker Ms. Shannon Newth

Ms. Newth is the Content Manager and Anchor for KRTV, and the Anchor and Producer for KXLH in Great Falls.

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Eyes Beholding, Hearts Retuning



Steve Bostrom attends the Helena Kiwanis Club and serves as our State Chaplain. Steve is a descendant of Swedish homesteaders, husband of Via (38 years), father of eight, grandfather of eight, loves Helena and serves as State Minister for his denomination, the Presbyterian Church in America. You can email him at stevebostrom@gmail.com.

Kiwanian, say you've just climbed Mt. Helena or one of your favorite mountains in Montana. Surveying the 360 panorama at your feet, you take a moment to catch your breath. Behold! You enjoy a sense of well-being and more - inspiration – even exhilaration. How do you find words to express your experience?

Expressing Love

In his "Book of Hours – Love Poems to God" (translated by Barrows and Macy) the German poet Rilke (1875 – 1926) wrote: "I would describe myself/like a landscape I've studied/ at length, in detail; like a word I'm coming to understand...Now you must go out into your heart/ as onto a vast plain"... and then 'have courage to walk out into the world to' "love the things/ as no one has thought to love them" (pp. 4, 5). One of Rilke's translators spoke of Rilke as embodying "our human capacity to redeem our world through the act of transforming attention, which is naming – or love "(p. 33).

"Earth is crammed with heaven/And every bush is aflame with God/But only those who see, take off their shoes/The rest sit around it and pluck blackberries." (Elizabeth Browning, 1806-1861).

Our busy lives don't ask us to behold – to hold as a treasure what we see - and then express our experience. Still, when we enjoy sustained beauty, a desire rises up to bridge the exterior panorama with our interior landscape. Giving words to that discovery is as old as Confucius (551 – 479 BCE). He wrote: "Desiring self-discipline, they rectified their own hearts; and wanting to rectify their hearts, they sought precise verbal definitions of their inarticulate thoughts - the tones given off by the heart" (translated by Ezra Pound, 1885 -1972).

In other words, we are in the world to love the world, our neighbor and God. Sound familiar? According to Jesus our highest aims are: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' And: 'Love your neighbor as yourself'" (Mt 22:37,39). Loving God includes loving him as the Creator. Loving our neighbor includes loving the place where we live.

Beholding Montana

Over a year ago, we found a fixer-upper above Lake Helena – with a grand view of the Elkhorns, Scratch Gravel, the lake and then there's Helena – nestled in the foothills and spilling out over the valley. When guests come, I give them a while to settle in. Often I eventually ask: "How do you articulate what this view does for you?" A veteran with multiple tours in Afghanistan and now with a recent degree from MSU in English Lit opined: "Our souls need a place to expand and this view gives our souls that opportunity." Well done.

Beholding Montana stirs our souls. Away from "home" we long for "home." It's no surprise that, during the mid-1920's, John Smith, a frequent visitor to Glacier from Rochester, NY, wrote from NY: "I've had the montana (sic) blues several times. I will probably get over it OK" ("Dream Chasers of the West," Wettstein, p.129).

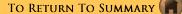
Insights from Science

A 2008 study reinforces how nature impacts us. Researchers at the University of Michigan gave student volunteers a series of numbers and asked them to recall them in reverse order. Then half the students, "city-folk," took a walk in downtown Ann Arbor while the other half, "naturalists," wandered through the Arboretum. Returning to the lab they were retested. The "naturalists" outscored the "city-folk" – and in their second test, the "naturalists" outscored themselves! Does being outside help us think more clearly?

Researchers devised tests to factor out variables. The result? "Simple and brief interactions with nature (even pictures of nature) can produce marked increases in cognitive control...Nature, which is filled with intriguing stimuli, 'modestly' grabs attention in a bottom-up fashion, allowing top-down directed-attention abilities a chance to replenish" ("Natural Born Heroes" pp. 222, 223 and "The Cognitive Benefits of Interacting with Nature," http://pss.sagepub.com/content/19/12/1207.abstract).

Ramping up the view from nature in general to spectacular nature – from ordinary to awesome - researchers from Stanford's Graduate School of Business and the University of Minnesota Carlson School of Management devised experiments to study the after effects of awe. "Jaw-dropping moments made participants feel like they had more time available and made them more patient, less materialistic, and more willing to volunteer time to help others." Awe slows down time, "brings us into the present moment and makes life feel more satisfying than it would otherwise" (http://www.psychologicalscience.org/index.php/news/releases/being-in-awe-can-expand-time-and-enhance-well-being.html). Aha.







Eyes Beholding, Hearts Retuning (Cont)



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Varying Explanations

Some seek to explain these phenomena by pointing to our past. "Just a reminder of our ancestral past can be enough to flip a switch in the brain that focuses attention and shuts out distractions. You slip back into hunter-gatherer mode – and when you do, you're capable of remarkable things" ("Natural Born Heroes," p 223).

But instead, what if we understand clarifying the resonance of our hearts and minds with our world by pointing to the Creator - affirming the audacious claim that we are made in his image? The author of Ecclesiastes wrote: God "has set eternity in the hearts of men" (Eccl. 3:11). When we hear the "tones," we are beginning to hear him.

Some Real Questions

But we wonder, are "tones of the heart" simply too mystical? And, why do some young Montanans resist romantic portrayals of our state? Also, if experiencing nature has such positive benefits, why has Montana has been a leader in suicide among the states since the US began keeping suicide statistics in 1928?

Christian Considerations

As a Christian I recognize that we have deadly foes: the world (broken systems), the flesh (personal brokenness) and the devil (evil personified). Somehow in Montana there is a spiritual void that leads some to abdicate to these enemies. There are spiritual dimensions of suicide.

What about following Confucius' advice by looking inward? His advice is too mystical. Even as a leopard cannot change its spots, neither can I initiate sustained connection with God, creation or my neighbor. Any attempt to do what Confucius calls me to do – to rectify my own heart – cannot be maintained and I either give up or become eager to justify myself – my way of living. So, to that extent, I do not – should not - trust the tones given off by my heart – even amid the beauties of Montana. When we idolize our hearts or this last best place, we fail to understand both ourselves and this place.

But, in Christ I find I've been welcomed into a new creation. "If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" (2 Cor 5:17). I want to listen - God may be speaking. The "tones" may be from the Spirit. "We speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words" (1 Cor. 2:13).

How do we learn to distinguish between the demanding, insistent, incessant tones of our sly old natures and the true tones of the Spirit? Believing the good news of Jesus dying for us and astonished that such a holy God would freely give sinners like us the Spirit of Christ — we begin paying attention to the Scriptures – to creation – to providence – to redemption – to others in the body of Christ – to our neighbor. We begin to hear both the words and the melody of life as the Spirit guides us. Despite ongoing challenges, we keep engaging – whether in New York City, Kentucky or Montana.

Three Witnesses Beholding

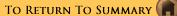
Steven Dilla, New York City, 2015: "The firm foundation of faith allows us to laugh at our sometimes absurd world while also trusting a God whose love, grace, and justice transcend our momentary realities" (Park Forum).

Stephen Colbert, New York City, 2015: "The context for my existence, is that I am here to know God, love God, serve God, that we might be happy with each other in this world and with Him in the next—the catechism. That makes a lot of sense to me. I got that from my mom. And my dad. And my siblings."

Thomas Merton in a Kentucky monastery, 1948: "We are exiles in the far end of solitude, living as listeners/With hearts attending to the skies we cannot understand/Waiting upon the first far drums of Christ the Conqueror/Planted like sentinels upon the world's frontier" ("Collected Poems," 1978, p. 201).

Montanans, as we behold our frontier, let's tune our hearts to listen for the first far drums of Christ the Conqueror.







KIWANIS YOUTH HIGHLIGHTS

Linda Canaday Memorial Scholarship

At the Montana District Kiwanis Convention this summer, Key Club member Samantha (Sammy) Clark was awarded the Linda Canaday Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,500.

The Linda Canaday Memorial Scholarship was established in honor of Kiwanian and 2008-09 First Lady Linda Canaday, a former teacher and longtime Kiwanis member. In her memory, a scholarship opportunity was established for members of Key Club International. This scholarship honors Linda's love of children, which she demonstrated through her career as a teacher and her committed and caring compassion for children through Kiwanis.

Sammy was a 4 year member of Key Club at Missoula's Sentinel High School. She is the daughter of Janean and Jim Clark of Missoula.

The award was presented to Sammy by Past Kiwanis International President Don Canaday, the husband of Linda Canaday.



(Past International President Mr. Don Canaday presenting the award to Samantha Clark)

Montana Key Club Youth Converence

The Montana District of Key Club held its annual Youth Conference in Helena on October 2-4 this year. There were over 70 Key Club members in attendance. Youth Conference is one of two District-wide events held by Montana Key Club every year. Youth Conference (YC) is primarily a combination training meeting and rally. The attendees are taught about Key Club and its local, district, and international service projects.

There were a number of interesting sessions held this year. There was a session for the general member, covering the structure of Key Club, at the club, division, district, and International levels. We also held club officer training, to answer any particular questions club officers may have about their duties within the club. Past Governor Rachelle Weyerbacher gave a presentation on Governor Spencer's Governor's Project, AidSpiritUSA. Matt Kuntz from NAMI Montana gave a presentation on suicide awareness. Deputy Marvin Weber from the Lewis & Clark sheriff's office gave a presentation on internet safety. There were also presentations on the ELIMINATE project, Key Leader, risk awareness, District and International conventions, Circle K, K Family relations, being prepared for what the future will bring, and many others. There were also team building exercises, a dance, icebreakers, games and other fun activities.

In conjunction with YC, we held not one, but THREE service projects. The students wrote letters to active members of the military to thank them for their service to our country. We also held a shoe drive to benefit AidSpiritUSA, and collected well over 500 pairs of shoes. Congratulations to the Custer County Key Club (Miles City) for collecting over 450 pairs of shoes. And we had ELIMINATE fundraisers, most notably the E-Lemon-ate project. In that, participants paid \$1 for the privilege of eating a lemon. All told, we raised over \$502 for ELIMINATE.

All told, YC this year was highly successful, and everyone who attended had fun and learned a lot.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dean Person, Administrator

Montana District Key Club



Some really great news!

- 1. Kiwanis International has pledged or raised over \$100,000,000 dollars for vaccine to rid the world of Maternal Neo-natal Tetanus!!! We are within 10% of the \$110,000,000 goal we set in 2010! That means 55,555,556 women plus all of their children born in the next decade will be protected from this scourge so far. With only 5½ million to go.
- 2. The Montana District at the 2015 District Convention committed to raising our fair share of right at \$650,000! Again, that is right at 360,000 women plus children protected! What an impact!!!
- 3. Key Club, at international convention, committed to raising \$3,000,000 additional funds!! They are, indeed, practicing leadership within Kiwanis.

Phase I of the project is coming to an end.

We have set Dec 31, 2015 as our goal for raising the \$110 million in contributions and pledges.

Phase two now begins where we will be working to raise the funds to pay the commitments. Again, the goal is to do so within the next five years. This means that the Montana District has five years to raise the \$35,400 currently pledged but not yet paid plus the \$362,000 committed to by the Convention. This is a lot of money, but:

- 1. If we help our SLP family members to double their amount already raised to meet their pledge, that would bring in about \$40,000 a little over 10% of what is needed.
- 2. Paying the balance over the five year period would mean about \$65,000 a year or about \$54 a year per member.
- 3. Also at District Convention, the Board voted to hold an annual Districtwide Fund raiser for the next five years, part of the proceeds of which would go toward the Eliminate commitment. How hard we work on that project would determine how much the dollars per member number would be further reduced.

The District Eliminate Committee will be coming to each club to talk over ways to raise the funds. This could be fun, a good way to bring new members into our clubs, a great way to get more publicity, as well a serving the children of the world on a grand scale.

Now is the time to get started, so I ask each Kiwanian in the District to start thinking and talking about ways to get this done. The mothers and their children are waiting.

Ed Mangis



Sidney Kiwanis

Sidney Kiwanis cooked burgers and brats for the Eastern Montana Veterans Stand Down. A Veterans Stand Down brings awareness and help to homeless veterans, providing resources for returning with mental and emotional needs, and assisting those with life altering injuries. These resources are brought together in one location.



DIVISION 3

Dillion Kiwanis

Mike Montana Kiwanis Governor Mike Miller presenting Dillon businessman Keith Handlos with the Hats Off Award on behalf of Dillion Kiwanis! Congratulations!



DIVISION 2

Great Falls Kiwanis

Don't miss the 2015 Ladies Night Out!



Saturday, November 14th At the Great Falls International Airport Cocktail hour starts at 6pm **Event 7pm-Midnight** Funds go to all Great Falls Kiwanis Projects.

View The Article In The Great Falls Tribune:



DIVISION 4

Billings Kiwanis

Billings Kiwanis hosted their 2nd Annual Here's the Beef Raffle! The funtastic event and Grand Prize Drawings took place at Hooligans. It's a not to miss event!









Sunrise Kiwanis

Sunrise Kiwanis had a kick up your heels good time at their installation banquets. Members of Sunrise (as well as Sliver Bow) assisted at the Patriot's Day Field of Honor. They also cleaned the highway in the portion that collects a huge amount of traffic and trash between the Harrison Ave. and Montana Street exits. Excellent idea before the snow falls.



Sliver Bow, Butte Kiwanis

Members of Silver Bow Kiwanis (as well as Sunrise Butte) assisted in the Patriot's Day Field of Honor. They held a great meeting at THE PEAK, participated with their K-Family at the MS Walk, and held an installation honoring their members.



TICKETS FOR THE BIG SILVER BOW KIWANIS ANNUAL HOLEDAY RAFFLE ARE NOW ON SALE.



Our prizes are still huge, and there are only 200 tickets sold to increase your chance of winning a chance to win \$500, \$1,500 or even \$3,000! Each ticket is \$100 and proceeds go toward Butte Central Chemical free graduation, An Ri Ra, a new smoke alarm to the family of every baby born at St. James Hospital, Montana District Backpack Program, and EliMiNaTe.

DIVISION 1

Salmon Idaho Kiwanis

Salmon Idaho cleaned and weeded the central Bear sculpture and surrounding area on Main Street in Salmon Idaho. This is a high visibility, high impact area for their community.











Division 7

Malta Kiwanis

The Malta Kiwanis Club held a going-away party for Jim and Mary Brady.



Glasgow Kiwanis

The Glasgow Kiwanis Club is holding a clean up work session at the Children's Museum with pizza on an evening to replace one of their noon luncheon meetings...

Haure Kiwanis

The Havre Kiwanis Club held their annual Pancake Breakfast September 19 at the Eagle's Club, with



DIVISION 9

Capital City Kiwanis

Capital City Kiwanis installed a great new set of

officers!



Helena Kiwanis

Helena Kiwanis club held officer installation on October 5th.



DIVISION 1

Missoula Kiwanis

Missoula Kiwanis Club has been busy. They had a Kiwanis book at the Ravalli Count Fair offering kabobs, corn dogs, ribbon fries, and french fries to famished fairgoers. This event is the local club's largest fundraiser and serves as an excellent way for the club to connect with the entire valley. They held their NFL Punt, Pass, & Kick competition at Haynes Field in Hamilton. They are in the swing of Kiwanis Youth Soccer. Kiwanis provides support for these games, whether it be referees, concessions, or administrative. This club then found the time to clean Skalkaho Highway and has become a staple of Kiwanis-Key Club relations. They are supporting the **Kiwanis Swim Program** for Hamilton primary school stuents. This teaches those local children a life saving skills. Their Key Clubbers, with some minial Kiwanis support, will **Trick-or-**Treat for several days before Halloween each year as a large donation to the Haven House food bank in Hamilton.









Tombstone, Virginia City

Tombstone sent off an astonishing 357 pounds of some of the most needed items (hygiene for women and children) to the Kurd, Yazidi, and Christian refugee camps of those fleeing ISIS in Northern Iraq (not Syria). These items are brought together with others who collect from around the country, shrink wrapped, and placed into the steel shipping container for transport. They also raised a little over \$350 dollars that is used in concert with Operation Safe Haven to smuggle little girls and women out of ISIS slavery.



Headwaters Kiwanis

Headwaters Kiwanis just completed a golf scramble for the local food bank. They are also currently working toward funding playground equipment in one of their parks.

Harlowtown Kiwanis

Harlowtown raised \$1,162 during their PLAYGROUND FUN-RAISER at the Jawbone Creek Country Club. They honored their fourteen local WWII Veterans with a banquet. At their installation banquet, Past Governor Ron Fischer was presented a Hixon Fellowship.



DIVISION 8

Polson Kiwanis

Polson's Induction banquet was held in dining room of the Polson Elks Club, opening with a rousing medley of patriotic songs that started with America the Beautiful as the base, maybe, and ended with Montana for those in attendance who knew the words. Montana District Governor for one more day, Alida Wright, inducted the new officers in attendance, Janet Vail and Chris Nelson and thanked the Polson club for their support of their Key Club and the support they've given to Kiwanis in the community, state and around the world. It was a fun evening of fellowship and laughter. Paula's elegantly delivered invocation urged the club to continue working for the laughter of the children around the world.











Kalispell Kiwanis

The whole bunch got in on the picture at the Kiwanis Lodge at Bitterroot Lake for the installation of Dan Dickman for his second term as the Kalispell club president. 'Twas an excellent potluck and burger/hotdog feast with fun and fellowship and two or three selections of beers – one from Arnold Palmers home town. Who knew?





DIVISION 5

Miles City Kiwanis

Miles City Kiwanis held another successful Punt, Pass, and Kick event for the children of Miles City. They also had their annual installation banquet with steak, cake, and the entire K-Family!







