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Kendrick Juliaetta & 7 Ridges Education Foundation Launched and Running

Providing funds for student scholarships, additional teaching resources and opportunities to enhance the quality of education for students in Kendrick Joint School District #283 are the priorities of a newly established Education Foundation

The Kendrick Juliaetta & 7 Ridges Education Foundation was organized in February, 2013, introduced to the community in October, and is now fully operational. Fund raising is the next order of business for the foundation Board of Directors. In addition to area individuals and organizations, the Board will be contacting the more than 1200 alumni of Kendrick High School.

The foundation is an independent, nonprofit, community-based organization designed to provide opportunities for stakeholders in the community to support and enhance the quality of education for all students in the district. The foundation is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization which means that all contributions are exempt from federal income tax for those who itemize deductions.

"During the planning period there was tremendous support from the individuals in the community, school district board of directors, school administrations and school staff for establishing a foundation that can increase the educational opportunities of the local schools," said Polly Taylor-Dennler, member of the foundation board and leader of the organizing committee. "We are very grateful to our past superintendent, Cal Sprangler, for encouraging us and strongly supporting the idea of starting a foundation."

Several school districts in our area have Education Foundations that support their students. For example, Troy, Genesee and Lewiston school districts have had foundations for a number of years.

Foundations receive and manage donated money by investing it so that the income from the investments will support the scholarships and teaching resource grants. The local board has adopted a prudent and conservative investment policy that will be managed by a professional investment organization in the area.

A unique feature of the KJ7 foundation is that donations can be made to support a specific project or program in the school. By making this type of donation, for example, to support a science field trip, a special music program, or the purchase of special teaching equipment or materials, the donation is tax-deductible.

Applications are required for scholarships to students who plan to attend two and four year training, college and university programs and for grants to teachers asking for teaching resources.

Information concerning the Foundation, online giving, and applications for scholarships can be found on the Foundations website at: KJ7educationfoundation.org. The mailing address is P.O. Box 503, Juliaetta, ID 83535 and the foundation is on Facebook. The phone number is 208-275-7700.

Foundation Board of Directors are all volunteers and are individuals that had been part of the community for many years. They are Billie Waide, Sarah McDowell, Tawnya Feldman, Dale Wolff, Dirk Hammond, Jim Brocke and Polly Taylor Dennler.

The foundation is now asking for contributions from individual, corporations, granting entities and local fundraising events to support projects. *-Don and Lawana Ingle*

What is KJ7?

As Kendrick and Juliaetta community members, we often hear someone mention KJ7 or see this moniker attached to an event, but what is KJ7?

Several years ago, a group of concerned citizens participated in a program called Horizon. This program was developed to hold community meetings and ask area residents about issues which were important to their community. One of the concerns mentioned at each Horizon meeting was the feeling that those who lived outside the cities of Kendrick and Juliaetta were not well represented. When the Horizon program ended and all concerns were documented, the Kendrick Juliaetta and 7 Ridges (KJ7) organization was founded in May, 2010, with representation from Kendrick, Juliaetta, and the 7 Ridges (Fix Ridge, American Ridge, Little Bear Ridge, Big Bear Ridge, Texas Ridge, Cedar Ridge and Potlatch Ridge.)

KJ7 by-laws state in part “The KJ7 Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational or scientific purposes of serving the evolving needs of the KJ7 community through networking, advocacy and education, and providing opportunities to local organizations seeking to build their own capacity to improve the quality of life in their communities.” The purpose of KJ7 is to “bring community together to explore the issues of retaining its character and identity, and plan for its future.”

Many of our community activities have been sponsored and or supported by KJ7 in direct alignment of their mission statement: “KJ7 is a close knit and nurturing community that attracts families of all ages. We offer a strong and complete education in both academic and vocational areas. We maintain our small town values while growing in a moderate and thoughtful manner. We have a culture of being open and inclusive, offering a diversity of events and attractions that appeal to young and old alike. KJ7 are operating together from a coordinated plan where we are building on, and adding value to, our traditional agricultural and resource based industries. We are THE place to stop for recreation, local food, and a great small town experience. We support our entrepreneurs and our innovative industries with great infrastructure that connects us to the world.”

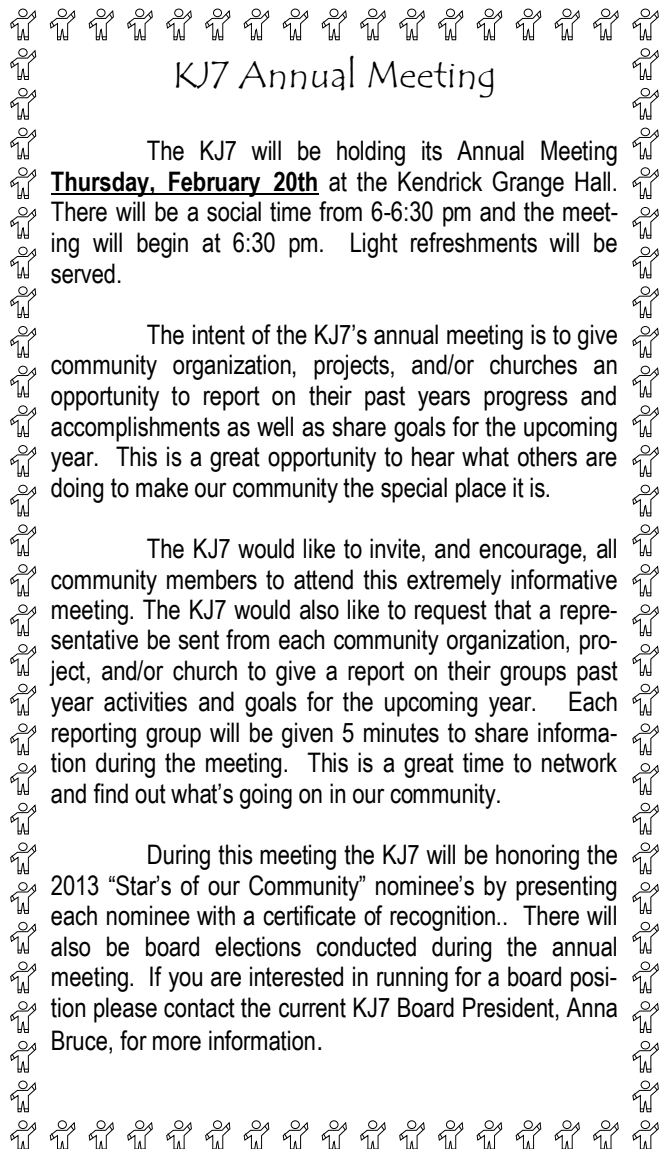
Some of the activities KJ7 has brought to our communities include Summer Night in the Park; Light the Park; Get Acquainted Bags; What’s Happening Newsletter; Stars of Our Community, and Latah County Youth Advocacy Council. Within these activities, opportunities are given to other agencies to participate.

Most rural towns have difficulty knowing what is happening in their own neighborhoods. The KJ7 Facebook page, newsletter, and website (www.kendrick-juliaetta.org) give our area residents access to dates of upcoming events as well as an avenue to report on their particular activity. These social media tools are updated regularly.

The KJ7 Board meets once a month. Anyone desiring to be involved in KJ7 can contact any board member – Anna Bruce, Polly Taylor Dennler, Richard Abrams, Bob Ouderkerken, Kyle Pea, Rose Norris or Joy Linder.

KJ7 is possible because of donations which allow the newsletter and other activities to continue year after year. Donations are gratefully accepted and can be mailed to: PO Box 204, Kendrick, Idaho 83537.

-Kathy Jones



 KJ7 Annual Meeting

The KJ7 will be holding its Annual Meeting **Thursday, February 20th** at the Kendrick Grange Hall. There will be a social time from 6-6:30 pm and the meeting will begin at 6:30 pm. Light refreshments will be served.

The intent of the KJ7’s annual meeting is to give community organization, projects, and/or churches an opportunity to report on their past years progress and accomplishments as well as share goals for the upcoming year. This is a great opportunity to hear what others are doing to make our community the special place it is.

The KJ7 would like to invite, and encourage, all community members to attend this extremely informative meeting. The KJ7 would also like to request that a representative be sent from each community organization, project, and/or church to give a report on their groups past year activities and goals for the upcoming year. Each reporting group will be given 5 minutes to share information during the meeting. This is a great time to network and find out what’s going on in our community.

During this meeting the KJ7 will be honoring the 2013 “Star’s of our Community” nominee’s by presenting each nominee with a certificate of recognition.. There will also be board elections conducted during the annual meeting. If you are interested in running for a board position please contact the current KJ7 Board President, Anna Bruce, for more information.

Kendrick Family Care Moves into New Clinic



What excitement the Main Street of Kendrick has experienced the last few months as the historical building that once housed the Kendrick Theater has been remodeled into a first class medical clinic! The exterior blends nicely with the historic 1904 brick buildings that line the street.

Many of the residents here once attended Friday and Saturday night movies in the building where they were thrilled and entertained with big screen action. As the movie reels would start to roll, sometimes you laughed at the comedy; sometimes you sat soberly watching news reels of war; and sometimes you sat spellbound, scarcely breathing as some plot unfolded. The town always came to life on Friday and Saturday night when merchants stayed open to

accommodate the farming families who came to town for a movie and shopping.

Now the modern clinic has opened its doors to this community. Gritman has bestowed a huge gift to the community.... a gift of health and healing. The project was spearheaded by Connie Osborne, Gritman Chief Quality Officer, and Sprenger Construction Company was responsible for the top notch remodel. From the moment you enter the clinic and are greeted by the capable and friendly Tona Morgan, you know you are in good hands.



Beth (Gertje) Bogar is the medical assistant who will see you to a private room to wait for Bob Mahal, ARNP (whom the community have fondly dubbed, "Dr. Bob.") to tend you. Dr. Matthew Rice is the medical director of Kendrick Family Care. Others on the staff at Kendrick are Nina Benichou, RN, and Trisha Quiring, Office Manager. Gritman has been serving the medical needs of Kendrick since 1999.

The clinic can take care of the following needs for you or your family: Wellness checks, pre-employment physicals, Infant to senior care, Medicare and Medicaid exams, Chronic disease management, Immunizations, Pregnancy and reproductive health testing, and Urgent care for influenza, coughs and colds, minor cuts and injuries. Bob will refer you on to specialist care when appropriate. The clinic is open to serve you Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Many lives have been saved already by having this good level of medical care available within minutes of any accident or heart attack.



"The only thing constant is change," is a quote by a Greek philosopher, Heraclitus. What a wonderful change this is.... one that brings the gift of healing to our area. Make note of the Clinic Phone Number: 208-289-3841.



The clinic is at the site of what was a theater in downtown Kendrick in the early 1940's. The photo was donated to the Heritage Foundation by Nellie Millard.

Service to the Community as a Lion



One project of the Lion's Club is sponsoring frequent blood drives. Please donate to help this ongoing need at the Fire Hall on January 9th from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Your donation may save a life.

Community calendars have been delivered to homes in our area. If you have additions or corrections, email 25skharris@gmail.com or call 208-289-4622.

Recently Lion Dave Klatt, Membership Chairman, awarded service pins to members. Membership is acknowledged in increments of five years. George Brocke, our charter member, has been an active member for 60 years. The following members were honored as well: Doug Harris, 25 years, Sharon Harris 20 years, Jim Cuddy & Don Ingle 10 years each. Two new members were welcomed in November. The club welcomes Lori Brocke and Lawana Ingle.



Lions members sacked candy and helped Santa Claus visit Kendrick in December. Members added to the festivities in helping "Light the Park" by decorating a tree and setting up the Christmas Nativity Scene. Lions Sharon Harris and Wayne Harris were this year's nominees for "Star of the Community" representing the Lions Club. Lion George Brocke

was also a Star.

Lion Wayne Heath will look into disaster preparedness for the community.

Lions meet at the Kendrick Fire Hall on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Archie always has a delicious meal prepared. You are most welcome to attend any meeting.

-Sharon Harris

KJ Arts Committee

The Art Committee has been working on the project plan for 2014. We will continue working on the Pool Mural and Art4Kids projects. We are also offering a scholarship for community members to attend art classes again in the new year. Other projects for the new year include, art shows at Archie's and Wells Fargo, the Arbor day art challenge and silent auction, Locust Blossom art show/sale and parade float, the Community Yard Sale, Moscow Art Walk, Fun with Flowers and Night in the Park.

Community members are always welcome and encouraged to join our group. You do not need to be an artist, just an interest in promoting the arts in the community. We meet the second Monday of the month at the Grange at 1 p.m.
-Alice Campbell, Chair



Grange Doings

The ugly subflooring in the rear of the building has been covered with attractive vinyl, which makes for a much more attractive floor. The hardwood flooring for the front area of the hall has been purchased and we are awaiting more favorable weather and the means to have it installed. With the renovation of the floors, the major processes will have been accomplished. The entrance remains an area needing renovation. That area will display the bricks that individuals and families have sponsored. Our Buy-a-Brick program is ongoing as a means of acquiring funding. Each brick is \$50.00 and it makes a nice memorial as well as a living tribute.

The Grange sponsored a game night on two Saturday nights in November activity for playing cards or board games. The game nights will resume on January 11th and 25th. Playing begins at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

The Hall has been in use a great deal during November and December as a gathering place for Memorial dinners.

Our fundraising annual Breakfast will be held February 15th. The usual menu of Ham, Egg Casserole, Potatoes with sour cream and cheese, Pancakes, Fruit, Juice, and Coffee will be served starting at 7:00 am. There will be live music and fun for all. Please join us.

-Sharon Harris

IMPORTANT LIBRARY CHANGES

The Juliaetta Library Friends Group have approved new days and new hours - a result of desires expressed in a summer survey and a follow up fall survey. The new hours begin the first full week in January. That will be January 6, 2014.

New Year – New Hours! is our slogan.

Tuesday: 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Wednesday: Noon – 6:00 pm

Thursday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Closed Mondays, Fridays, and weekends

HILL & VALLEY GARDEN CLUB



After Thanksgiving, the women that make up our Garden Club, put on their gloves and went to work making wreaths and center-pieces for the annual Evergreen Sale. Our sale landed on the coldest day of the year, and we thank those of you who braved the weather to support our sale. Polly Taylor-Dennler and her crew served a wonderful lunch with a choice of three soups, salad, bread, and pie to raise funds for Youth Gardening.

Our annual Christmas Party and Gift Exchange will be held on January 28th. The meal is Potluck. Bring a small gift to exchange, some good food, a smile and come and join the fun at 11:30 a.m.

February's meeting will be dedicated to preparations for hosting District Meeting in Kendrick on March 20th.

Sharon Harris, President



Book Prowlers' Next Reads

In January, our local book discussion group will read and discuss "*My Beloved World*" in January, a memoir by Sonia Sotomayor, about her life from childhood until her appointment as a Chief Justice.

The topic of the February meeting will be a biography by David Sowell titled "*A Personal Odyssey*".

All community members are welcome to join us on the second Tuesday of each month at 4pm in the library.

-Barb Murphey

Juliaetta Community Library

President, Dana Kelly, and Librarian, Linda Dahl, presented information to the Juliaetta City Council during the Council's November meeting. Information was presented about suggestions the public listed in the recent library surveys and the results of those surveys. These results led us to set some small goals and one big goal, some of which we asked for the City's permission and help with. These small goals included projects such as painting, shelving, diaper changing station, bathroom upgrade, drinking fountain, and windows. However, we needed to know more about the structure of the building and how to proceed with some of these projects. After little discussion it was unanimous in opinion, by the council members, that the current building is not structurally sound enough to put a large amount of money into. They feel it would be better to explore the avenues of relocating or building a new library for our community, which happened to be the bigger goal desired by the Friends of the Library.

In order to achieve this goal it will take the work of grant writing which the City feels they can help with. It will be our job as the Friends of the Library to begin to elicit help from you, the community. It will be very important for us to have matching funds and, in kind, donations of materials, time, and labor by people. Even though the completion of this goal might be years away, we want to start collecting information now. We will need help in every area of construction or remodeling. Troy recently remodeled their library and if you have not seen it you should stop by. It is beautiful and only cost them approximately \$42,000 since most of the work was donated by local community members. Please help us by thinking about how you can help with this project.

In the meantime we will continue to work on the smaller goals. If you haven't seen the lobby since we rearranged it, you need to stop by. Ellen made some wonderful new curtains, Rob did maintenance work, and it is now a welcoming entrance, complete with our book sale area. Now imagine what that will look like when we get it painted in the spring! We also plan to paint the bathroom and add a diaper changing station. Dick Groseclose is going to see if it is feasible to put a florescent light in the bathroom, and where we might be able to add a drinking fountain. We hope to add another computer station soon, too. Wow! Look what a survey and some volunteer work can do.

The Friends of the Juliaetta Community Library are a small, friendly group of people from our community who enjoy the library and want to support it in whatever way we can. Consider joining us at our next meeting in March. No membership is required, just come see all the good things we are doing for our Community Library. *-Dana Kelly*



Food Drive Rescheduled

You may have wondered why nobody ever came and picked up the food you had for the Palouse Cares Food Drive for Juliaetta and Kendrick on December 7th. We apologize for that as we had to cancel it at the last minute. It was canceled for two reasons. It was during the extreme cold period and we did not want to expose those collecting the food to those temperatures for three hours. More importantly though was the fact that the scheduled food drive fell on the same day as a memorial service for a young girl from the area and we did not want to create a conflict for the young people who wanted to attend her service but yet had committed themselves to help with the food collection.

We are rescheduling the food drive for February 15th from 9 am to 12 noon.

We want to thank all of you who took the time to contact the food bank and made arrangements to donate the food you were ready to give on December 7th.

Small Business Development Training Opportunity

KJ7 hopes to facilitate an exciting new series of training/networking workshops for local business development, co-sponsored by the extension divisions of UI and WSU. Topics covered will include:

- >Strategic Planning & Research
- >Marketing and E-Commerce
- >Financial Planning and Funding Options
- >Building Local and Regional Networks

This opportunity would be extremely valuable for local business owners and service providers or residents who would like to start a new business, and any other stakeholders in the commercial life of local communities.

Selection of community venues will depend on the level of interest expressed, so if you would like to participate, please indicate your interest no later than January 15th by contacting Polly Taylor Dennler at 208.276.4302 or taylor-dennler@tds.net.



Tiger Tracks: Kendrick Junior-Senior High School In Recent News

The Kendrick High girls' volleyball team gave Seniors Carli Taylor and Whitney Harris an honorary sendoff, as they smashed the District tournament; earning the title of District Champions and advancing to very competitive State Tournament action, showing an excellent display of Tiger Pride in two close fought matches that, unfortunately, resulted in the end of a monumental season for the Lady Tigers.

Yes, it's that time of year again...time for your Tigers to hit the hardwood with a vengeance, and in the last few weeks they have done just that. The lady Tigers, led by Seniors Carli Taylor, Josilin Peters, and Abby Smith have gotten off to a great start this season, boasting a record of 8-2, and are currently sitting with an undefeated 5-0 record in league play. The boys team has yet again been dealt a rough bout with injury this sports season, as Senior Point Guard Morgan Kerby has yet to see time on the court, forcing a lineup led by Freshman Guard Bailey Peters in combination with Freshman Power Forward Wyatt Hardin, assisted by Sophomore Forward Braden Smith, and reinforced by Senior Guards DJ White and, Dillon Blair. Both teams have a lengthy break during the Holidays, but, will return to action on January 7th, the boys hosting the Deary Mustangs at home, and the girls' traveling to face the Bulldogs in Gene-see.

Both Tiger teams have been rallied by your very own, Kendrick High School Cheerleaders, who have been very busy keeping up with the almost nonstop Tiger home ball games. A big thanks to Head Cheer Coach Jennifer Ingalls and the squad for their continued support.

Our Winter concert put on by Mrs. Gertje was a huge success. The band and choir sounded fantastic and we had a tremendous turnout from our community.

Come out and support your Tigers as they shoot into the third quarter! Go Tigers!

-Abby Smith

Kendrick Schools Information and News

Website: www.dist283.org

Superintendent's Report

In Kendrick School District we pride ourselves in caring for our students and giving them the best education possible. I firmly believe that we provide a well-rounded and quality education for all of our children. Every employee is here to serve our students and their families. I hope that we can earn your respect and trust in helping your child become the best that he or she can be academically, socially, emotionally and physically.

Lookin ahead to 2014, we will be asking for your support in the upcoming levy on March 11th. Our School Board does its best to keep the levy rate stable from year to year, and we do not anticipate the need to raise it this year, but we want you to know that the levy is crucial to maintaining the quality of our children's education. As you know, education is not funded adequately at the State level. So, the local annual levy provides essential resources to keep our schools operating in the black.

During 2014 we will begin the important work of long- and short-term facility and program planning to identify the District's priorities. These efforts will develop and use information from several sources and consult a broad range of key stakeholders including the School Board of Trustees, the KJ7 Educational Foundation, the PTO, parents, students and KJ7 community members. We invite you to participate in an open-forum session on January 15th at 7:00pm, held in the Juliaetta Elementary School Cafeteria. This occasion will provide you with an opportunity to learn more about the schools and to give your input about what we need to do in the future.

Please also calendar February 5th at Kendrick High School for a special meeting focusing on the March 11th Levy. I will explain why we need to maintain the current levy rate and together with our board members, business manager and high school principal, we will answer your questions and encourage you once again to financially support our children's education. -Dr. Lindsay Park

The Juliaetta Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization is thrilled to announce that they will be bringing back the Missoula Children's Theatre February 24th through the 28th. This year's performance will be "Cinderella". Performance times will be Friday February 28th at 1:30pm and 7pm. This event is FREE and is open to the public. Please mark this down on your calendars...this is one performance you won't want to miss!! -Anna Bruce

JES Principal's Report

The children at Juliaetta Elementary School are energetic and enthusiastic. They proved this during the celebration of our Holiday Concert on December 13th. Under the direction of Joanne Gertje, every student participated and the result was wonderful. Kindergarten through fourth grade children sang songs with their classmates and the fifth and sixth grade students performed in a well-produced and acted play. Many students had leading roles which they performed with confidence. The children had worked very hard preparing for their parents and community members. The concert was well-attended, and we thank you for attending and supporting all of our children.

Our students regularly show their abundant *Tiger Spirit*. Just in the last few weeks they have participated in a community food drive and decorated our school Christmas tree with their own unique holiday creations. We have a wonderful school with a highly professional staff, and we care deeply for the welfare and progress of every student.

This year we are implementing the common core state standards (CCSS). There is evidence that these standards are better preparing students to go on after high school. In Kentucky, which implemented these higher academic standards before any other state, they have now tested students for two years and seen positive results. In 2010, only 34% of Kentucky students graduated prepared for college or career. Now, 54% are graduating prepared, a significant increase in the number of students who do not need to take remedial courses once they go on to postsecondary.

Statewide academic standards are not new in Idaho. Achievement standards were developed in the 1990s to ensure students were mastering the same information and knowledge at the end of a grade level no matter where they lived in the state. When these standards first began, they were based on research and they have raised student achievement significantly. When educators and state policy makers compared Idaho's previous standards to the new CCSS, however, they found that the CCSS were considerably higher.

This year and next, as we transition to the CCSS, we ask for your patience. All the experts anticipate a decline in student performance as we implement the higher standards and more difficult and sophisticated tests. That may happen, so we are notifying you in advance. I want you also to know that we will do everything in our power to maintain our four-star rating as one of Idaho's best elementary schools. We have a wonderful, professional, hard-working staff and smart children, and I think we will emerge from the transition better and stronger than before. Stay tuned...

-Dr. Lindsay Park

Julietta - Kendrick Heritage Foundation



Thanks in part to the Latah County Arts and Culture Committee; we now have a projector that plays various types of media! It is available for community gatherings and our own archival media reviewing needs.

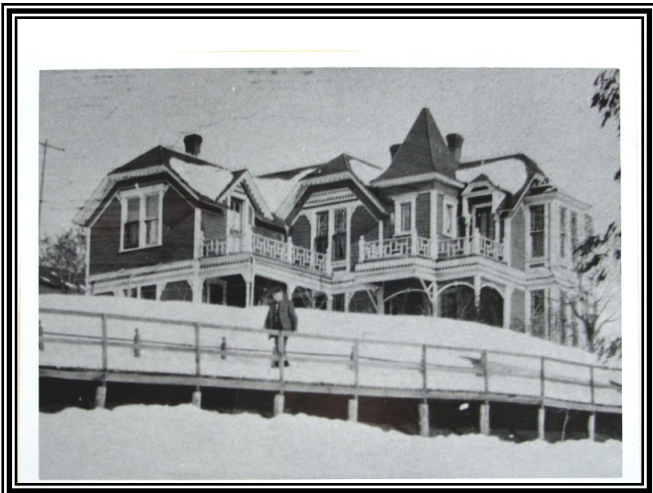
The Fraternal Temple building's upstairs "Grand Room" taping, mudding, texturing, and painting project is nearly complete! Only a few final painting hours remain as we await our turn on Ron Colman's busy contracting schedule. We are shooting for a springtime opening with a few more fixes needed. At that time all will be able to view our museum, use our research area, and gather in the large meeting space.

It is intended that diverse museum items will tell their stories through interactive displays. Telephone service first came to Kendrick in 1895. The Asotin County Museum is returning our 1904 Potlatch Telephone Company switchboard. Also the organ used in the 1888 built Grace Methodist Episcopal Church first located a top 9th Street hill has been promised a return to Kendrick. We have received other homesteading items including a spinning wheel, chaps, and a bear rug. We welcome your keepsakes as a donation for display.

JKHF now has a Facebook page presence on Facebook.com/Julietta-Kendrick Heritage Foundation. We are posting our area's historical photos and stories frequently. We invite you to take a look at our page. If you "Friend" us, you will receive each photo and history directly.

Your annual membership renewal is now being accepted for 2014. For as little as \$20.00 you can be designated a "JKHF Friend". We are thankful for any amount of a contribution as it allows us to put wind beneath our historical preservation wing! Details are available on our web site jkhf.info. Payments can be mailed to our P.O. Box 37 located in Kendrick.

-Chris Kowrach



Stars of Our Community

The KJ7 Board is excited to announce this year's "Stars of our Community" nominees. These eighteen individuals have shown outstanding volunteerism to their respective organizations and churches. We thank them for their dedication, their time, their love for this community, and their drive to make Kendrick-Julietta and the Seven Ridges a better place to live.

This year's "Stars of our Community" are: Adriann Geurtsen, nominated by the City of Kendrick; Sharon Harris and Wayne Harris, nominated by the Kendrick Lion's Club; Mary Edwards and Sally Manful, nominated by the KJ Arts Committee; Gene and Betty Walsh, nominated by the Julietta Church of the Nazarene; Beth Cannon, nominated by the Hill and Valley Garden Club; Duane Chilberg, nominated by the J-K Heritage Foundation; Rose Norris and Zana Sherman, nominated by the Kendrick and Julietta Fire Department; Sally Browning, nominated by the Kendrick Methodist Church; and Danielle Heimgartner and Anna Bruce, nominated by the Julietta Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization.

Each year the KJ7 Board selects 3-4 community members as their "Pioneer Stars". These individuals represent a lifetime of community service and commitment to making this community the outstanding place that it is. This year's "Pioneer Stars" are Jim Lohman, George Brocke, and Floyd and Betty Heimgartner.

"Stars of our Community" nominees were named and received an ornament at this year's Light the Park ceremony. They will also receive a special invitation to the KJ7 annual meeting, to be held on Thursday, February 20th, where they will be recognized and presented with a certificate of appreciation.

-Anna Bruce

The Kirby House and Boardwalks
circa 1900

Cameron Lutheran Church

After all the fall and Christmas activities, things have slowed down a bit at Cameron Lutheran...at least for a little while!

The Sunday schedule will stay the same, with Sunday School for children and adults at 9:30 Sunday morning, and worship services at 11:00. The women will resume their meetings at 9 a.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of each month (and the fifth, if there is a fifth Wednesday), with lunch served at noon. The day is filled with hand-quilting for those who love to do that, assembling and tying relief quilts, working on relief kits, and doing whatever else needs to be done. ALL hands are welcome! The evening Bible study will continue to meet on the first Monday night of the month, and the afternoon group meets on the second Tuesday.

The library at Cameron is absolutely full of good reading, ranging from Bibles, study guides, and reference books to a lot of good Christian fiction, biographies, and inspirational books; there are also videos and childrens' books. There are a number of locally-written family histories available, as well as the complete history of the Cameron cemetery, including pictures of each tombstone. Anonymous donors are contributing \$2 per book read to a project which will supply well-digging equipment to villages whose people sometimes have to walk miles a day to get clean water. The librarians sponsor a yearly reading celebration for everyone who wants to come - those who have read 10 books over the year get to eat free, and others are asked for a small donation. This year's party will be on January 12 right after church. Any money raised at the party goes for buying more books.

Cameron is enjoying having Pastor Craig Grose-close on board, and has certainly gotten him thoroughly broken in with all the fall activities!. He is planning on beginning a study on the Sermon on the Mount sometime in mid-January - stay tuned for exact dates and times.

The season of Lent begins on Wednesday, March 3rd. There will be a service at 7:00 p.m. on Ash Wednesday (March 3), then there will be services each Wednesday at 7:00 until Holy Week. Easter will be April 20. The choir will meet at 7:30 each Wednesday until March 3, then will rehearse after the services during Lent.

If anyone has questions about activities or events at Cameron, please call the church office at 289-3471.

Well, how are you doing so far with that New Year's Resolution? Did you find it difficult to decide which areas of your life you wanted to work on this year? Sometimes we find it hard to decide what our resolutions should be. What if there was one resolution we could make that would improve our lives in all areas and we just had to concentrate on fulfilling that one resolution instead of multiple ones. Well, there is a phrase in the Bible that if we make it our resolution it will take care of every area of our lives. That phrase is "to be conformed to the likeness of His Son". If we allow God to work in our lives so that each day we become a little more like His Son Jesus Christ we will go a long way in living a better life in 2014. As we are conformed to His image we would find ourselves being more loving, patient, kind, forgiving, understanding, putting others needs before our own. The list could go on and on but if we find just those things growing in our daily lives how much would our world change? The neat thing about trusting God to do the conforming is that we no longer have to rely on our will power or strength for He promises us He will empower us with His strength. The Bible promises, "being strengthened with all power according to His glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience." (Colossians 1:11) If we are going to be conformed to Jesus' likeness we must first come to God admitting our need of one to save us from our sin and that the only one who can do that is Jesus Christ. Once we know Him as Savior God can begin to conform us to His image and strengthen us to keep the one resolution that will make for a real change in our life not only for this year but for years to come.

Pastor Larry Haylett, Juliaetta Community Church

Thank You For Your Generosity

Once again your support for the food bank during the holidays was amazing. We had over 60 baskets to do for each of the holidays and your contribution of turkeys as well as cash donations made it possible for us to do baskets for everybody who signed up. We had nearly 30 turkeys donated and a number of cash donations. Because of your generosity we were able to meet the demand for holiday baskets and continue to keep our shelves full for the food we normally give out each week.

Food Bank Board

The Latah Trail in Bear Creek Canyon



Bear Creek Canyon is one of those special places we are lucky to have in our own backyard. A trek down this portion of the Latah Trail will bring you in the midst of towering pines and the meandering Bear Creek whose intensity changes with the seasons. It is a beautiful, peaceful place during any season. We are now coming upon the snowy time of year, and this portion of the trail makes for a wonderful (and easy) snowshoe or cross-country ski journey.

In the coming years we will have more of this lovely canyon to enjoy. The Latah Trail Foundation is excited to announce that through its efforts, Latah County has acquired an additional $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile of public trail in Bear Creek Canyon. We enjoyed working with a Bear Creek Canyon land owner to negotiate the sale of their rail property to Latah County. We thank them very much for the time they spent with us to work on the transfer of their property. The funds to purchase the property were donated to the Foundation from a generous anonymous donor. The Foundation thanks all who were involved in this exciting project.

Following the railroad being abandoned, and thus also its maintenance, there is damage to this section over the years due to mud slides from above and washouts from below. Latah County and trail volunteers are working to mitigate further damage to the trail this winter season, while the County and the Foundation are actively pursuing funding to repair the trail in 2014. Once repairs are completed, the Bear Creek Canyon portion of the Latah Trail will extend almost 5 miles from Troy toward Kendrick.

Accessed from Troy, the trail in Bear Creek Canyon is a very different, more isolated experience than the rest of the Latah Trail. Remember that experiencing Bear Creek Canyon is like a backcountry experience in both its remoteness and proximity to wildlife (bears and moose have been sighted in the past). Please be safe and respect private property.

In our ongoing effort to invite feedback from the public, please participate in an online survey designed to gather opinions and hopes for the future of the Latah Trail. This anonymous survey can be found online at <http://www.latahtrailfoundation.org/survey/>. For more information contact Sarah Church at 208-874-3860 or latahtrail@gmail.com.

Our Elected Officials

MESSAGE FROM SOUTH LATAH HIGHWAY DISTRICT

Drivers should check Idaho's 511 Traveler Services website (511.idaho.gov) or call 5-1-1 before traveling out of town in the winter for the latest reports on highway and weather conditions. Get information available 24 hours per day about road closures, highway and weather conditions, mountain passes and the interstate highway system. Reports are updated at least twice daily during the week and at least once daily on weekends. They also are changed more frequently as weather and highway conditions change.

Slow down. Leave a few minutes early, allow windshields adequate time to defrost and allow extra time to get to your destination. It is better to be a few minutes late than to not arrive at all. Don't put yourself and others at risk by driving too fast for the conditions. Posted speed limits represent maximum speeds for ideal conditions. The basic rule suggests lower speeds as dictated by weather and highway conditions.

Use extra caution. Be aware of potentially icy areas such as shady spots and bridges. Take caution against black ice. Drive less than the speed limit if conditions warrant. Allow extra distance between your car and the one you're following. Check your mirrors to see how other motorists are driving; anticipate their actions

Keep emergency supplies in the car. Flashlights, extra batteries, first aid kit, pocket knife/multi-purpose tool, blanket or sleeping bag, extra clothing, small sack of sand or cat litter for generating traction under vehicle wheels, a small shovel, bottled water, booster cables, rope, energy bars or other food, brightly-colored scarf to attract attention in case of an emergency, waterproof matches or cigarette lighter and a map of the area.

Never drink and drive. Idaho law enforcement officers will increase patrols, especially during holidays, to catch and arrest drunk drivers. Be safe and keep others safe by designating a sober driver before traveling to any party or event involving alcohol consumption.

Our Elected Officials

The publishers of this newsletter are dedicated to building communication within our community and among organizations that serve and support it. Therefore we are working to develop a regular feature page that will allow local elected officials to circulate information of value to their constituents and solicit citizen responses when appropriate.

News from the City of Kendrick

New Council Members

The following Kendrick residents will be sworn in at the council meeting on Monday, January 13th at 7pm at the Fire Hall:

Mark Lapinskas, Mayor (4 years)

Matt Kathanimane-Ihm, Council Member (4 years)

Sarah Miles, Council Member (4 years)

The mayor will propose a citizen to fill the two year council position at the January meeting. Jeremy Alexander still has two years left on his council position. Call City Hall if you are interested in attending to confirm the date.

Dog Licenses

The City of Kendrick requires dogs to be licensed each year. A dog that is spayed or neutered is \$5.00 and dogs that are not are \$10.00. Please do not include the fee with your utility bill as they are separate accounts. You can purchase licenses at City Hall.

Garbage Roll-carts

Hopefully you are finding the new roll-carts easy to use. Remember that all trash put in the roll-cart must be bagged. If you have extra trash, it must also be bagged and placed next to your roll-cart. The sanitation employees are not allowed to throw anything into the truck anymore, so once the automatic arm dumps your roll-cart, they put the extra bagged trash into your roll-cart and the arm dumps that as well. Therefore, it does not work to put extra trash in a box. You will be charged a \$2.00 fee for any extra bags or if the lid will not close. If you would like a different size roll-cart, please call City Hall. The fee to change roll-cart sizes is now \$18.00. Please keep the lid closed on your roll-cart at all times to keep water weight out of the cart. Please make sure to place your roll-cart properly at the curb. The arrows should face the street, so the open part of the lid is facing the street and the handles are towards the sidewalk.

Thank you!

News from the City of Juliaetta

A New Way to Pay

We are now accepting debit and credit cards both in the office and on our website, www.cityofjuliaetta.com, as a convenient way to pay your City utility bill. We will accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express. Access Idaho is the provider of this service, and will charge a 3% + \$1.00 administration fee per transaction. No portion of the fee is received by the City of Juliaetta. Contact us at City Hall at 276-7791 with any questions.

Garbage Roll Carts

The transition to the new garbage roll carts has been an interesting one, with many residents opting to take advantage of the 60 day period in which they may exchange their cart for one of a different size at no cost. Beginning January 1st, there will be a \$15 fee to exchange roll carts. New residents will be an exception to that rule. Latah Sanitation has also notified City Hall of a few instances of trash or boxes being left out next to some roll carts as well as over-full carts. They haven't charged the City any additional fees at this time, but if they do, those charges will be passed on to the offender on his or her next city utility bill at a cost of \$3.00 per item. The bulky waste site will still open on the first and third Saturday of each month, and the recycle bin is always available. The cost of these services is included in your monthly garbage charge, so take advantage of them to help reduce the volume in your roll cart.

City Council

Thank you to all who voted in November's city election. There were two seats up for election; they will be filled by Nick Anderson and incumbent council member Ed Pea. Nick and Ed will be sworn in at the regular council meeting on January 14th. February's regular Council meeting will be held on the 11th of that month. Remember, if you have an issue you'd like the council to address, be sure to contact City Hall at least 48 hours before the council meeting to be added to the agenda.

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CLIP & SAVE CALENDAR

January

- 6th New Library hours begin (p.5)
- 9th Lion's Club Blood Drive (p.4)
- 10th KJ7 Annual Community Meeting (p.8)
- 11th Grange Game Night (p.4)
- 13th Kendrick City Council Installation (p.11)
- 14th Juliaetta City Council meeting (p.11)
- 15th JES Open Forum re Levy (p.7)
- 25th Grange Game Night (p.4)
- 28th Garden Club Party (p.5)

February

- 5th KHS Levy Information Meeting (p.7)
- 15th Palouse Cares Food Drive (p.6)
- 11th Juliaetta City Council Meeting (p.11)
- 15th Grange Breakfast Fund Raiser (p.4)
- 20th KJ7 Annual Meeting (p.2)
- 28th Missoula Children's Theatre at JES (p.7)

March

- 11th District 283 Levy Election (p.7)

New Business Section Coming to Our Newsletter!

The Newsletter Team is pleased to announce the establishment of a new section devoted entirely to local businesses. Starting in our next issue, this section will include articles and announcements of interest and benefit to our community about the commercial enterprises that help to keep it strong.

Business leaders are encouraged to submit materials on subjects such as current specials, new inventory items, changes in management and staff, or revised hours of opening. We will soon be circulating an informational flyer with further details about this exciting new opportunity, including procedures for submitting materials.

We hope that our readers and local businesses alike will profit from this addition to our publication, and we welcome any suggestions about format or content.

Friends of the Juliaetta Centennial Park

The Juliaetta Centennial Park holds a special place in the heart of our community, and at the heart of our city. A favorite venue in every season, it serves as a meeting place for friends, a play area for families and informal sports teams, and a setting for many community events that offer entertainment, educational activities, and fundraising opportunities for local organizations. The 7.55 acre park features two baseball fields, picnic tables covered by a pavilion, a flower garden, a Blue Star memorial, a small pond, and restroom facilities adorned with beautiful mosaic artwork on the exterior back wall.

Since its establishment in 1992, the park has inspired local citizens to donate their time and energy toward maintaining its useful beauty for all to share and enjoy. Floyd Heimgartner has spent many hours providing caretaking services, and David Jones has dedicated a great deal of time to maintaining the playing fields. The generous spirit of these and other local citizens who have volunteered to keep the park pristine and green serves as a model of commitment to the welfare of our community.

In this same spirit, a group of community members has informally gathered to discuss plans for helping the city to maintain the park and making the best use of the resources it offers. The Friends of the Juliaetta Centennial Park will begin by soliciting input from local residents about how they use the park and its facilities, and suggestions for improvements and future use. This feedback will guide the work of the committee, and support its recommendations to the City Council.

For those who wish to contribute to this information gathering effort, a survey form will be available from January 15th to February 15th at the City Hall, Post Office, Library and Elementary School, to be submitted during that time period at the Library drop box. All responses will be welcome, and serious consideration will be given to every suggestion offered.

The Friends of the Juliaetta Centennial Park feel pride in the strong sense of community that the park represents, and are committed to serving as guardians of this wonderful public asset. With the help of other like-minded citizens, we hope to make the most of the park, so it will remain the living, growing embodiment of our community spirit.

Friends of the Juliaetta Centennial Park: Dana Kelly, Dick and Janice Groseclose, Matt and Jen Bruns, Polly Taylor Dennler, Matt Anderson.

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