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## Calendar Of Summer Events

### June:

- 10 May Reports Due
- 14 Flag Day
- 15 Father's Day
- 21 First Day of Summer
- 21/22 Summer Board Meeting
- 30 First Day of International Tour

### July:

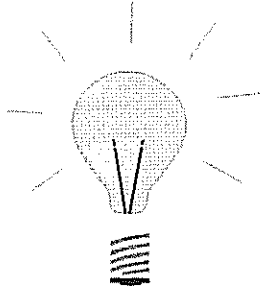
- 1-15 International Tour
- 4 Independence Day
- 27-31 Leadership Camp

### August:

- 1 Last Day of Leadership Camp
- 14-16 PLS (Presidential Leadership Seminar)
- 22-24 Kiwanis Convention

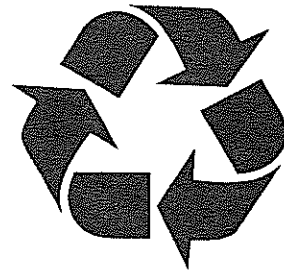
# PLS

Hey all you presidents, as summer starts you should be clearing your August schedule around 14-16 (yesssss, its PLS). Many of you (members too) are probably wondering what PLS is, well PLS is the Presidential Leadership Seminar. This three day event allows presidents from around the state to talk with other presidents about their hopes, fears, plans, goals, (you get the idea) for the club. This exchange of ideas helps presidents improve themselves and make friends with other presidents (so when a problems do occur presidents can contact others with the same problems more easily). But there are only 42 presidents and about 1300 members, so how does this information effect most of you? Well, the clubs



who's presidents attended PLS received more awards at convention and their projects effected more people in the community (i.e. Hamilton, Great Falls CMR, Billings Skyview, Butte Central). As members you can call your president and encourage (demand, threaten, etc.) them to attend PLS and take good notes there. Well, that about covers it, your questions can be answered by local Lt. Governor or other District Board member. And hey -- presidents PLS is the place to be August 14-16.

## The Governor's Project: ENVIRONMENT



The governor's project this year is environment. You may be thinking, why would they pick something so vague? As the board was sitting around the banquet table we thought, "this year's governor's project needs to be something important, something that any club can do, and something that doesn't require any extra money." Helping the environment was exactly what we wanted.

The environment should be important to all of us because, we will have to live on this earth a long time and we want to be able to breathe. I don't know about you but I would like to continue to see trees, clean rivers, wild-life and the beautiful country side. However

the environment effects us a lot more than that, Montana's economy relays greatly on tourism. One of the biggest drawers of tourists is Montana's beautiful land and animals.

There are many projects that can fall under the category of "environment". If your racking your brain thinking what can my club do, here are a few suggestions. Adopt a highway, clean a park, help with a recycling drive, awareness campaigns, or plant a tree.

Most of these projects don't require any or very little money to do. Summer is the perfect time to help the mother nature. An extra plus, your club can have a picnic, water fight or other social during the project. So let's go out and help the earth survive!

# Governor's Board

Well hello there. For those of you that don't recognize me I'm Heidi Baker, your Governor. I am proud to announce that we have a new Key Club! Red Lodge is officially a Key Club. Welcome to our district. For those of you in Division Four why not stop by for a little visit.

No, I won't bore you with what you can do in Key Club to make it better, or how much more involved you should become. But, I will leave you with an inspiring story that I love. It is called "A Simple Gesture" I read it in Chicken Soup for the Soul.

## "A Simple Gesture"

Mark was walking home from school one day when he noticed the boy ahead of him had tripped and dropped all of the books he was carrying, along with two sweaters, a baseball bat, a glove and a small tape recorder. Mark knelt down and helped the boy pick up the scattered articles. Since they were going the same way, he helped carry part of the burden. As they walked Mark discovered the boy's name was Bill, that he loved video games, baseball and history, that he was having a lot of trouble with his subjects and that he had just broken up with his girlfriend.

They arrived at Bill's home first and Mark was invited in for a Coke and to watch some television. The afternoon passed pleasantly with a few laughs and some shared small talk, then Mark went home. They continued to see each other around school, had lunch together once or twice, then both graduated from junior high. They ended up in the same high



school where they had brief contacts over the years. Finally the long awaited senior year came, and three weeks before graduation, Bill asked Mark if they could talk.

Bill reminded him of the day years ago when they had first met. "Do you ever wonder why I was carrying so many things home that day?" Asked Bill. "You see, I cleaned out my locker because I didn't want to leave a mess for anyone else. I had stored away some of my mother's sleeping pills and I was going home to commit suicide. But after we spent some time together talking and laughing, I realized that if I had killed myself, I would have missed that time and so many others that might follow. So you see, Mark, when you picked up my books that you did a lot more. You saved my life."

John W. Schlatter

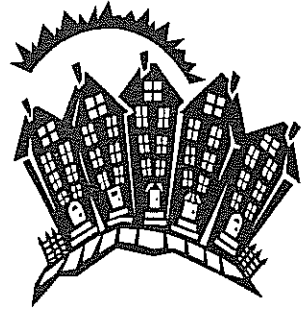
Remember, you can make a difference and the difference starts at home, in your community, and in your school.

-Heidi

# Summer Projects

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit organization that uses volunteers to build homes to sell at a reduced price to low-income families. The organization's goal is to eliminate substandard housing and homelessness world wide and to make adequate, affordable shelter a matter of conscience and action. Habitat has built more than 50,000 houses around the world, providing shelter to more than a quarter of a million people with safe, decent, affordable shelter.



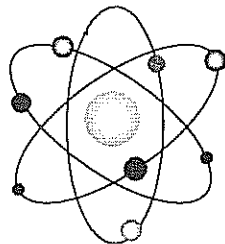
Through volunteer labor and tax-deductible donations of both money and materials, Habitat builds or refurbishes simple houses with the help of the homeowner families. The homes are sold at no profit and with no-interest loans. Homeowners are required to spend many hours helping to construct their own home.

Donations of time or money can be given by anyone. Currently many homes are being built and the families can always use help painting, hanging wallpaper, roofing or other procedures. Money donations can be given to local chapters or the international office. All money donations are given to the specified project, however if the donor does not specify a certain home the money is given where it is most needed. All donated money goes directly to a housing project.

For more information you can contact a local chapter or:

Habitat for Humanity International  
121 Habitat Street  
Americus, GA 31709-3498

(912) 924-6935  
[publicinfo@habitat.org](mailto:publicinfo@habitat.org)



## Special Olympics

Volunteers enable Special Olympics to offer sports training and competition programs to nearly one million individuals with mental retardation on a worldwide basis. Special Olympics would not exist today-and could not have been created-without the time, energy, dedication and commitment of the more than 500,000 Special Olympics volunteers.

Special Olympics has many areas in which people may volunteer. Sports training volunteers serve as coaches, run sports camps, organize or coach or play on Unified Sports teams, and obtain equipment. Competitions use volunteers to serve as drivers, food servers, and games directors. Special Olympics can also use help with fund raising, public aware-

## 5 of the 10 Recommended Projects

### PROJECT 1: Major Emphasis Program

The theme and major emphasis program is revealed each year at KEY Club International Convention. This year Lead the Way.. Kid's First was the major emphasis project, however that will change at international convention.

### PROJECT 2: Partnership Projects with the K-Family

Working with your local Kiwanis clubs, Circle K or Builders Clubs is really important. Any projects within the K-Family helps to strength the bonds and provides a wider variety of experience which can help with any service project or social.

### PROJECT 3: Mentoring Program

Mentoring is an easy project, all you need is a little time and a little kid. Children love to spend time with high school students so they are pretty easy to entertain. Some ideas are sports activities, comedy movies, hiking, fishing, shopping, holding a kite tournament, card games, bingo, little olympics, bowling tournament, putt-putt golf outing, and library readings.

### PROJECT 4: Support of School

This one comes right out of the pledge. Even though you were looking forward to 3 months without going anywhere near that dreadful building a service project there might be fun. Some suggestions are: picking-up litter, helping the janitors clean, if you contact your school they can probably tell you where they need help.

### PROJECT 5: Support of Human Spirituality

One of the best ways to accomplish this project without offending anyone is to visit different churches, synagogues, mosques and to learn something about each of the religions. Other projects are: help repair church property, provide a nursery service during some church function, or work with the Salvation Army.

## Unified Sports

ness and being friends with the athletes.

Unified Sports are teams made of both handicapped and non-handicapped players. The goals of these teams are: to develop sport skills, give competition experiences, provide a chance for friendship and socialization and to offer the community a chance to see the value of handicapped people.



# CLUB NEWS

## Variety Good For the Soul

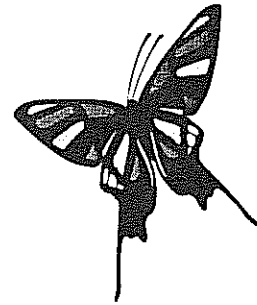
Paul Marcello - Billings Senior

Our club went to a nursing home and talked to the residents. We also played games with them. As always, we opened the concession stand at lunch of Fridays and during the last week of school we had it open Thursday and Friday

## Reporter Saves River

Kristen Inbody - Choteau

We have really taken the environmental theme to heart in our Key Club. We were cleaning up a Kiwanis member's yard when we accidentally dumped two buckets into the nearby river. It would certainly not be "the Key Club way" to leave them in the river so our club's brave reporter shimmied into the river to retrieve the buckets and prevent environmental havoc from breaking out. As the courageous young woman sank up to her waist in mud, the infamous sergeant-at-arms "advised" consisting mostly of asking her where her camera was. Our fearless reporter then had to crawl from the desperate grasps of the mighty Teton River up a steep muddy bank infested with ants. The wet and muddy reporter with huge scratches on her legs asks that next year we avoid such themes and instead stick with safer themes.



## Key Clubbers Win At Carnival

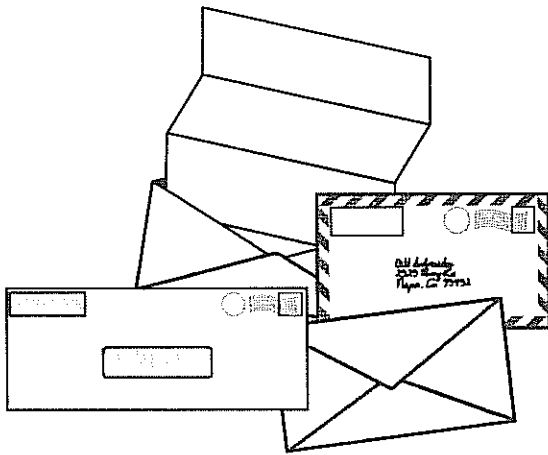
Anna Shoop Billings Skyview

This month our club helped out with the Bench Elementary School carnival. We arrived early and helped them set up. We did not have anything else to do until after the carnival was over so we played some games while we waited. Ryan Nafts and Nathan Walker each went through the prize walk about 20 times. Nathan won most of the times he went through. After the carnival we helped take down everything. When we were finished we went to Wendy's for something to eat.

## **Kiwanis Clean-Up Key Clubbers**

Ben Wishmeier - Hamilton

After a swift clean-up of our Kiwanis park, we played a fun softball game. As in every year, the Key Club members were totally destroyed, both in playing and in having the force behind us. When the game was close, a Kiwanis member hit a grounder directly to our vice president, who in turn left into the air, screamed, and gave up an easy out. For the rest of the day she was laughed at, and made fun of. It was great!



## **Helping the Highway**

Naida Zullo Great Falls CMR

Several Key Clubbers decided to get their hand in the dirt for several hours, what dirt you're asking...garbage on the highway. Yes, on this sunny hot day, while most teenagers were laying down to tan, us Key Clubbers were doing two things at once. (We marked our calendars for this special event, we actually shot two birds with one stone.) Anyway, we cleaned up our 2 miles of highway, that we adopted last summer. This highway hasn't been cleaned up for the past 6 or 7 years, until we decided to adopt it. Most of us had our sleeves rolled up to the shoulders, forget the artificial 'Fake'n'Bake'. As a reward for our hard efforts we had the pleasure of 1.) having truck drivers pull their horn as they drove by and 2.) eating at Ford's Restaurant. We plan to do this more often than once a season, so we wouldn't have as much to clean in the following years.

## Montana District Key Club April Achievement Report

|                    | Report Ten Recommended Projects |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|---------------|
|                    | # of Members                    | # of Attendees | # of Interclubs | # of Kiwanis Meetings | Reporter | Secretary | Kids First | Mentoring Programs | Partnership with K-Family | Support of School | Support of Human Spirituality | Support of Home and Community | IDD | Civic Involvement | Partnership with outside organ. | Environmental | Special Olympics | Socials/Rallies Attended | Club Fundraisers | Ladder Points |
| <b>Division 1:</b> |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Hamilton           | 123                             | 45             | 1               | 2                     | X        | X         |            |                    | X                         |                   |                               | X                             | X   |                   |                                 | X             |                  |                          | X                | <b>69.06</b>  |
| Msla Hellgate      | 103                             | 69             | 0               | 0                     | X        | X         | X          |                    |                           |                   |                               | X                             |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Msla Sentinel      |                                 |                |                 |                       |          | X         |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Msla Big Sky       |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Valley Christian   |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Polson             |                                 |                |                 |                       |          | X         |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  | <b>17.75</b>  |
| Frenchtown         |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| <b>Division 2:</b> |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Choteau            | 23                              | 8              | 0               | 2                     | X        | X         |            |                    | X                         | X                 | X                             | X                             |     | X                 | X                               | X             | X                | X                        | X                | <b>13.5</b>   |
| Conrad             |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Fort Benton        |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Great Falls        |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| CMR                | 35                              | 15             | 0               | 2                     | X        | X         |            |                    | X                         | X                 | X                             |                               |     |                   | X                               |               |                  |                          | X                | <b>23.08</b>  |
| Shelby             |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| <b>Division 3:</b> |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Whitehall          | 25                              | 16             | 0               | 3                     | X        | X         |            |                    |                           |                   |                               | X                             |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  | <b>18.32</b>  |
| Dillon             |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Deerlodge          |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Butte High         |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Butte Central      | 53                              | 16             | 1               | 0                     | X        | X         | X          | X                  |                           | X                 | X                             |                               | X   | X                 | X                               |               |                  | X                        |                  | <b>9.57</b>   |
| Anaconda           |                                 |                |                 |                       |          | X         |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  | <b>11.27</b>  |
| <b>Division 4:</b> |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Central            | 22                              | 12             | 0               | 0                     | X        |           |            |                    | X                         | X                 |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Laurel             |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Pioneer            | 45                              | 27             | 6               | 4                     | X        | X         | X          | X                  |                           | X                 | X                             |                               |     | X                 | X                               | X             |                  |                          |                  | <b>59.1</b>   |
| Senior             | 25                              | 15             | 1               | 1                     | X        | X         |            |                    | X                         |                   |                               |                               |     |                   | X                               |               |                  |                          | X                | <b>33.46</b>  |
| Shepherd           |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Skyview            | 60                              | 35             | 2               | 4                     | X        | X         | X          |                    | X                         | X                 |                               | X                             | X   | X                 | X                               |               |                  |                          | X                | <b>75.38</b>  |
| <b>Division 5:</b> |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Dawson County      | 66                              | 11             | 1               | 4                     | X        | X         | X          |                    | X                         | X                 | X                             | X                             | X   | X                 | X                               | X             |                  |                          |                  | <b>40.54</b>  |
| Miles City         | 32                              | 15             | 1               | 1                     | X        |           |            |                    | X                         | X                 | X                             |                               | X   | X                 |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Sidney             | 55                              | 44             | 0               | 3                     | X        |           |            | X                  | X                         | X                 |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  | X                        | X                |               |
| <b>Division 6:</b> |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Judith Gap         |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Harlowton          |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Lewistown          |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Bozeman            |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Helena High        |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Helena Capital     |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| <b>Division 7:</b> |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Glasgow            |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Havre              |                                 |                |                 |                       |          | X         |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  | <b>32.1</b>   |
| Malta              |                                 |                |                 |                       |          | X         |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  | <b>22.33</b>  |
| <b>Division 8:</b> |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Flathead           |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Whitefish          |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Columbia Falls     | 22                              |                | 0               | 4                     | X        |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 | X             |                  |                          |                  |               |
| Lincoln County     |                                 |                |                 |                       |          |           |            |                    |                           |                   |                               |                               |     |                   |                                 |               |                  |                          |                  |               |

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