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Down and not so dirty Happy Birthday to us!



The day was sunny, the temperature just right and the garbage bags were few and far between. Our second ditch pickup of the year was September 11, and we had a good turnout. Since we did such a great job last time of picking up, and a more efficient method of where people went is in place, this time the whole two-mile stretch took just over an hour. But to meet the requirements for keeping this stretch of road, we have to do a quick pickup once more. Keep an eye out for an announcement of when that last ditch-pickin' party will be.

Bring a book for Belize

Have some extra kids' books lying about? Why not bring them to the October 2 meeting and donate them? Since Jim and Denis are heading to Belize, we're collecting the books to give to kids down there. Educational and science-type books are especially helpful, even more so if they're in Spanish, but we can likely find homes for English ones as well.

The start of a Party Survival Kit

Thanks to Jim and Mary Ann Brogren for donating the first part of our Party Survival Kit. They donated a gas grill to the club at the last meeting. Thanks to the Brogrens!!

Welcome two new members

Susan Woytassek of Detroit Lakes and, proving that we have appeal beyond the lakes country, Tracy (sorry, I didn't get your last name, guy) joined at the Chicago concert. In fact, he's a resident of Omaha. You know, down Nebraska way. Great to have you pholks aboard!

It's been a year that we've been here, and how the time has flown. To celebrate, we're going back to where it began, the Lakeside Tavern in Detroit Lakes. All members are invited to join in this commemoration, which features a free taco and nacho bar. There will also be a few surprises in the mix. We do have a lot to celebrate. In the past year we've supported the Becker County Humane Society, the Mahube Giving Tree, Operation Crayon, North Dakota Caring Program, Minnesota Adopt-A-Highway, United Way Day of Caring, and a whole lot more. If anyone has a reason to celebrate, we do. So we'll see you at the Lakeside Tavern in D.L. at 6 p.m. on Saturday, October 2.

Have a fundraising or charity idea?

We're always looking for more ways to give back to the community. If you have an idea, pass it along to Deanna Amundson or Pam Felker. They're the ones compiling a list of groups or causes that we can support, in addition to the ones we've already been helping.

Topics for our October meeting

It was a busy summer, so we've taken some well-deserved time away from the deep thinking that we're so well known for. Or was that deep drinking... Anyway, these are some topics that are up for discussion at the October meeting:

- 1) Family membership so kids can feel they're participating in club activities.
- 2) Spaghetti feed fundraiser, tentatively planned for Election Night, Tuesday, November 2.
- 3) One more ditch cleaning to go!
- 4) Fargo-Moorhead socials and meeting place
- 5) Christmas party

Have some photos to share?

If you have photos of various Parrot Head activities involving you and other club members, Darrel would like to have a look at them. Both digital and print images are fine. Prints will be scanned into a digital format and the photos returned to you. Why do this, you ask? Let's just say that there's an idea floating around in that might make for a great promotional item for the club.

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