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Action Area Chamber of Comme

Our next monthly meeting will be this *Thursday, August 20th* at noon at the Chamber office. Lunch will be provided by El Rincon. All members are encourage to come and be a part of your Chamber of Commerce!



A big THANK YOU to the many who helped with the community bar-b-que and pool fundraiser. Though we were few in numbers, with many generous people we were able to raise over \$2200 this year.

Thank you everyone!



Quilts will be for sale at the Buffalo Run Antique Collectibles and Craft Show Friday, September 4th & Saturday, September 5th from 9am-7pm. All proceeds will go towards the Randy Palmer Family Fund. Your support is very appreciated!



School begins Wednesday, August 26th

Registration for Elementary is this week (Aug.17-21) 8-2pm. Registration & Pictures for the Jr./Sr. High are Thursday and Friday (Aug. 20-21).



Mark your calendars for two great events happening over at Big Springs Outdoors.

Starting August 31st they are having a "Big Buck Contest" with the opportunity to win a new pistol.

Also they are planning a big Summer Event on Friday & Saturday, September 4th & 5th. There hours are 7:30 am– 6 pm.

For questions you can go on over to Big Springs and see what all the fun is about or you can call them at 652-7072.



Information deadline for the Newsletter is due by 8 AM on the Saturday prior to the first and third Tuesday of the month. Please email anything you would like posted to info@ashtonidaho.com or leave a message at 652-3355.

Spotlight:

Nearly 20 years ago, Dave Jacobson or "Jake, his evil twin, as he would say" was involved with the race that was held before the 4th of July parade. Well, following that race one year



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Keith Nyborg approached Jake at church and suggested and encouraged him to start a marathon during the fall. So, the fourth Saturday in August was picked. The first Mesa Falls Marathon had 11 runners, and Curt Judy drove all 11 up to the start of the race. There was also a relay but was dropped after two years and added the half marathon instead. This was also the time when Dennis and Jodi Aslett came on board and became the race directors for about 10 years. As the race progressed and grew the trail changed going from two miserable hills to only one. After this change, Mesa Falls Marathon gained a lot of compliments and raves over Mile 14; in fact this spot was talked about so much that it gained attention from Competitor Magazine in Oct. 2010 with a write up about Mile 14, Mesa Falls Marathon, and Ashton. This is a popular running/triathlon magazine.

Mesa Falls Marathon has changed from the first couple of years with more people jumping on board to help. Lynda Kerbs and Patty Litton started the runners breakfast their legacy continues with volunteers showing up at 3am that morning at the Elementary School to serve breakfast to the runners. Also, Lindsay Palmer started the Family Fun Run, 5K, and a couple of years ago a 10K was added to the agenda. The Friday evening before the Mesa Falls Marathon, there is a spaghetti/baked potato dinner for everyone (a) 5pm for \$5/person. And of course, who can forget the reason why half of those marathon runners even finish the race, but to enjoy a famous huckleberry shake from our old fashioned soda fountain at Five 11 Main. So as one can see a simple idea has blossomed into an annual event; being the 19th year this year, going from a couple of volunteers and 11 runners to over 100 volunteers and almost 600 runners from almost every state and several countries. Mesa Falls and Ashton have definitely become a destination during the 4th weekend of August. Please check out their website (a) www.mesafallsmarathon.com-Volunteers are still needed this weekend! Please call Jake @ 652-7771 or @ 652-7338 if you are able to help this weekend.

We encourage all to continually support our Ashton Businesses!!

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* Budget Public Hearing Wednesday, Aug. 26 @ 7pm



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Community Calendar

- Aug. 20—Chamber of Commerce Mtg. @ 12
- Aug. 20—School Board Mtg. @ District office @7
 Aug. 20—N.F. Food Pantry 5-7pm @Ashton Community Center. Picture ID required.
- Aug. 21-22—Mesa Falls Marathon
- Aug. 26—N.F. Food Pantry 5-7pm @Ashton Community Center. Picture ID required.
- Aug. 26—School Begins!

The next newsletter will come out on **Sept. 1st. Please have information to the Chamber by the Saturday before. Thank you!

Email info@ashtonidaho.com with your events time and description to get your event posted FREE! For more event details visit our on-line Community Calendar at www.ashtonidaho.com We place events on our community calendars for free!



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