NYE MONTANA OR BUST

As Nye Goes Nuts 2005 wound down, the Reno, Nevada based Mountain Quail Model A Ford group left their sign with us, "Nye, Montana or Bust". Final figures indicate that Nye Goes Nuts 2005 made almost $8,000! Thanks to the many dedicated volunteers, donors and sponsors, we can forget the "bust".

The Nye Community Foundation (NCF) has traditionally given out a percentage of the proceeds from the Nye Goes Nuts event directly to the community. A total of $3400 for five scholarships and $2600 in donations to local groups was given back to the community and surrounding area in 2005. Next year NCF will award $5400 in scholarships. This program continues to see great support from our donors. Thank-you for supporting our community and making the following scholarships and grants possible:

- Nye Volunteer Fire Department $1200
- Nye Elementary School $500
- Absarokee Swimming Pool $500
- American Youth Soccer Organization $200
- Absarokee Recreation Association $200

2006 SCHOLARSHIPS

- Scholarships (3) @ $800 each $2400
- Scholarships (3) @ $1000 each $3000

Nye Goes Nuts 2005.. Do you recognize anyone?

Nye Community Foundation Board News

The Nye Community Foundation has one board member retiring this year, and a new member joining us. Kellie Martin is retiring. We will miss her dedication and hard work in promoting the Nye Community Foundation. We welcome our new board member, Rick Stiles. Get ready for 2006!
Marjorie Kinsey of Absarokee is at the controls of the ATV she won at Nye Goes Nuts this year. With her are her family (standing from left), Krista Fjare, Mark and Kathryn Fjare. Katie Fjare is seated on the ATV with her grandmother.

"It was a real surprise," Marjorie said, when asked about the call that she had won the ATV. Her husband Jim, who had bought the raffle tickets, passed away shortly before the day of the drawing.

"He always bought tickets for everything, and this is the first thing we ever won in our lives," she laughed.

Her daughter Kathryn told her, "See, Mom, he's telling you to have a good time."

Marjorie said the entire family has been enjoying the 4-wheeler.

She is an enthusiastic supporter of the Absarokee High School volleyball team, because both her granddaughters are on it.

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In memory of Our Parents
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In memory of Joanna Sternad
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Our Scholarship Winners... where they are now?

Nine winners of our scholarships are continuing their educations at various colleges. Two are working in their chosen fields. We are very proud of them and want to share our interest and concern. The following brief accounts will give you an update on what each one is doing. The number beside each name designates the year the scholarship was awarded.

Kyle Donohoe of Nye (2002) attended Weatherford Junior College in Texas on rodeo scholarships and is working with his parents, Paul and Cathy Donohoe, on their ranch and in the outfitting business. Kyle had planned to return to Nye and go into this business after attending college.

Jon Mudd, formerly of Nye, (2003) is teaching math in the Middle School in Laurel, Montana and coaching football and basketball. After graduating from Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, he earned his teaching degree at MSU Billings. His wife, Alyssa, teaches Spanish at the same school.

Neil Lehner of Absarokee (2003) is a junior at the University of Fairbanks in Alaska, studying wildlife biology. Neil graduated from Sheridan Community College in Sheridan, Wyoming in the spring and worked for the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Department during the summer.

Aspen Guthrie of Absarokee (2003) is doing volunteer work in Thailand. She graduated from MSU in Bozeman, Montana in May with a degree in social justice with global influence. She plans to go to Salt Lake City early next year and work in social services.

Andrea Murchison of Nye (2004) is in her second year at Bellevue College in Seattle, Washington where she is a science major with a minor in Spanish. At the end of this scholastic year, she plans to transfer to Seattle University to continue her studies.

Erin Esp of Fishtail (2004) is a junior at Montana Tech in Butte, Montana, majoring in math and statistics. After graduation, she plans to go to graduate school and get an advanced degree in statistics. At college she tutors students at the Learning Center.

Valerie Witt of Absarokee (2004) is a sophomore at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah where she is an honor student, majoring in music education for the elementary grades and studying the organ. On Saturdays she assists with music programs in a nursery school. She has piano students of her own.

Cassie Keogh of Nye (2004 and 2005) is a sophomore at the University of Montana at Missoula, where she is double majoring in music education and clarinet performance. She is on the dean’s list for the School of Fine Arts and is in the Davidson Honors College. She performs in the University Symphonic Wind Ensemble, the Orchestra, the Clarinet Choir and numerous chamber groups. She is secretary of the University of Montana chapter of the American Music Teacher’s Association.

Rachelle Jensen of Absarokee (2005) is a freshman at the University of Wyoming in Laramie, Wyoming where she is majoring in microbiology and is active in the agricultural and outdoor groups. She plans to attend a College of Veterinary Medicine.

Krista Ludwig of Absarokee (2005) is a freshman at Brigham Young University at Rexburg, Idaho where she is on the dean’s list. She is majoring in child development with a minor in music.

Whitney Devibiss of Absarokee (2005) is in her first year at the College of Technology, MSU Billings where she is studying to be a paramedic. At the end of the two-year course, she plans to continue her studies in the medical field. Last summer she passed the EMT test and was with the ambulance crew in Absarokee.

CHALLENGE GRANT PROGRAM

The Montana Community Foundation is currently offering a "challenge grant" to help communities raise money for immediate use at home. It is simple. If our Community Foundation raises at least $10,000 in new donations, Montana Community Foundation will grant us $2,500 for immediate use in the Nye community. Nye Community Foundation has applied for this program. All donations to the Nye Foundation can be applied to this program but must be postmarked by the May 31, 2006 deadline. It is a very ambitious goal.

We encourage your support!
Let’s see what we can do!

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