# Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce

## Ashton's Easter Egg Hunt

A big "THANK YOU" to the over 20 businesses who supported this event and a *special* "Thank You" to *Dr. John Toenjes and Doug Hillam owner of H&M Construction,* for donating our bikes this year. Congratulations to Payton Hess and Christianna Smith for winning the bikes. This hunt couldn't happen without the support of our Ashton Area Businesses!

Our monthly meeting will be this
 Thursday, April 19th @ noon.

 Lunch will be from Big Jud's, and their will be a few guest speakers this month.



Come and enjoy some yummy Mexican food! Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner 8am-9pm Mon.-Thurs. & 8am-10pm Fri.-Sat. Located at 514 Main St. Ashton, ID Call for your orders to go at 652-7225.

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.

## **Business Spotlight:**

## **Island Park News**

Stories of the people, critters, & events of Island Park & its neighbors

John and Elizabeth Laden-Losch are the proud owners and editors of the Island Park Newspaper. John's parents owned a ranch @ Henry's Lake and they would visit every summer. Elizabeth has been a reporter/editor/publisher since 1979. 1990 was the year they started their own newspaper in West Yellowstone. In 1997, John and Elizabeth started writing a paper for Island Park and its businesses because Island Park started growing. With the building and growing of businesses and people the businesses promised to support them with ads if they would write about the new developments and growth. They moved to the small building just next door to the old Fall River Café (now the Sunrise Café) on HWY 20 and would drive up to Island Park everyday for 6 months to stay on top of the happenings for the newspaper. They would mail their newspaper out every week from the Ashton Post Office. After the 6 months they found a place to live in Island Park, and 2005 they were able to build their own cabin in Shot Gun where they now reside. John and Elizabeth have 2 children and 3 grandchildren. They take a lot of pride in their newspaper, which has received more than 50 awards for writing, photography, and design. They now mail to subscribers in every state and have more than 3,000 internet subscribers. John and Elizabeth truly enjoy working hand in hand with businesses and organizations in our county and building up the "community spirit". They feel strongly in supporting the chambers of commerce, as they belong to all of them up and down our valley from West Yellowstone to St. Anthony. The Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce are proud to say that the Island Park News is one of our members and it was our pleasure to spotlight them this week. The best way to subscribe to the Island Park News is by visiting their website @ www.islandparknews.com and going to their subscribe page. And if you are a business and do not yet receive the Island Park News in your business and would like it delivered their, please call John or Elizabeth at 558-0267 and they will be happy to add you to their list.

## City of Ashton News

- Swimming lesson sign-ups will be May 5, 2012 @ 10:00am @ the Community Center.
- <u>Recycling Bins</u> will be located at the City Building until some gravel is put down over by the east side of the tennis courts, and the area is made more permanent for the bin's location.
- City Clean-Up will be June 11-15. Please only have shrubs and yard clippings in piles. Thank You!

#### <u>Ashton's Annual Firework's Fundra</u>iser



Friday, May 11, 2012 5:30-7:30pm Ashton Community Center

Cost: \$6/person; \$30/family of 6; children 3 and under/free

#### Menu:

Appetizer—United Methodist
Soup—Ashton LDS Stake
Salad—Zion Lutheran
Dessert—Ashton Christian Fellowship

Tickets on sale now at Key Bank, Bank of Idaho, and Dave's Jubilee. Or you may buy your ticket at the door. All donations are very appreciated and go directly to our 4th of July fireworks. Any questions please call Rachel Hatton @ 652-0144.



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#### **Community Calendar**

- April 17—Income Tax Day
- April 19—Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mtg.
   @ 12pm@Chamber office
- April 19—School Board meeting @ 7pm @ NFHS
- April 22—Earth Day
- April 25—N.F.Food Pantry 5-7pm @ Ashton Community Center. Picture ID required.
- April 27—Arbor Day

\*\*The next newsletter will come out on **May 1st**.

Please have information to the Chamber by the Saturday before. Thank you!

Item up for auction @ Ashton Elementary now is 2 a bicycle until April 20th. Next item up for bid will be a newborn baby boy basket. Go bid at the elementary school office during school hours on these fun items!

We encourage all to continually support our Ashton Businesses!!

Email info@ashtonidaho.com with your events time and description to get your event posted FREEI For more event details visit our on-line Community Calendar at www.ashtonidaho.com

We place events on our community calendars for free!

The North Fremont Food Pantry will be working the Flea Market the week of May 14-19. If you bring a can of food to donate to the food pantry you will receive 10% off your purchase.



A little FYI: Our food pantry serves
25-30 families a month and within those families 50-60 individuals are being fed. Now, one might think that they know who are being fed, but it is all situations and all different people who are being served. And all these families live within our own backyard.

Support the North Fremont Food Pantry May 14-19! Thank you for your kindness and donations!



### **Household Sale!**

Saturday, April 21st Ashton Community Center 8-4pm

Come and see what great finds you just can't live without!