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Chamber Of Commerce
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Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce



Your Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce hopes everyone and every business is having a wonderful summer!

*The Chamber of Commerce will be in charge of booths in the park this **Saturday, Aug. 25th during the Mesa Falls Marathon.**

It is \$10 per booth. Please call **Rachel Hatton @ 652-0144** if you wish to have a booth in the park this upcoming Saturday.

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Business Spotlight:

Over 15 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 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, Lindsey Palmer started the Family Fun Run, 5K, and last year a 10K was added to the agenda. The Friday evening before there is a spaghetti/baked potato dinner for everyone @ 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 16th 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 the end of August.** Please check out their website @ 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.



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.

City of Ashton News

- ◆ **Ashton City Water users:** With our new water system that is being installed, it is time for the piping to be replaced. Soon there will be sections of town where the water will be turned off for a time and residents are asked to be patient and prepared with 1-2 gallons of water for your home use while the water is turned off. Please watch the city's website, and the local news for a days notice when the time gets closer. Businesses will be called in advanced.



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Community Calendar

- Aug. 22—N.F. Food Pantry 5-7pm @Ashton Community Center. Picture ID required.
- Aug. 25—Mesa Falls Marathon
- Aug. 29—First Day of School 
- Aug. 30—Henry's Fork Farmer's Market @4-7@Ashton
- Sept. 3—Labor Day/no school

The next newsletter will come out on **Sept. 4th. Please have information to the Chamber by the Saturday before. Thank you!

Best Wishes for a safe and prosperous school year to all our Huskies this 2012-2013 school year! May everyone be safe, have fun, and learn a lot as you return from summer break!

We encourage all to continually support our Ashton Businesses!!

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
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