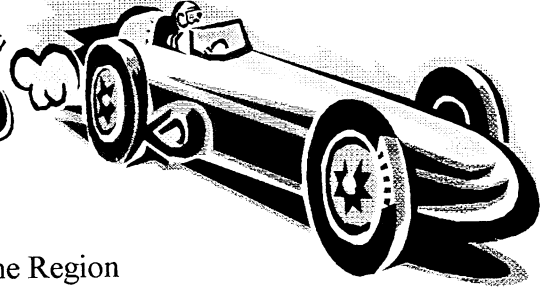


# FAST TIMES



December 2003

Sports Car Club of America, Yellowstone Region  
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Yellowstone Region  
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Billings, Mt. 59107

## NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

New officers were elected at the November 5th meeting. **Ryan Coler is the new RE; Dennis McCollough the new ARE; Mark Richlen the new Sec/Trea.; and Tammy McCollough returning as Competition Chair. A new Member At Large will be selected by the new officers and announced at a later date.**

**Please get behind these officers and help make this next year a great year!!**

## MEETING MINUTES

Meeting of 11-5-03 called to order by RE Mark Richlen

Motion to accept minutes as in last Fast Times not seconded. It was noted that Mark Brown offered his place for the Christmas party. Thanks, Mark, but we have already decided to hold the party at Mark Richlen's. Motion accepted and passed.

Treasurer's Report: The balance in the checkbook is \$2087.12. Bills due are: Taylored-\$49.84 and BCS- 42.00. The Falcon Finale has not yet cashed our check for our donation for the use of the Skyview HS lot. Balance in the cash drawer is about \$110.00.

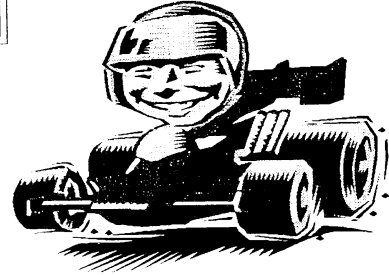
We have not received the bill yet for the Lewistown site.  
Old Business:

Mike Dickerson of the National Office didn't seem to know anything about the formation of the new region in Bozeman.

We received a thank you from the National Office for our \$100.00 donation for a paving stone.

There is no more news yet on a possible Kinser driving school. This has been researched by Tammy M.

## From your RE



From the RE:

Hello all! I would like to start by thanking you for placing your confidence in me to help guide our region this year. I would also like to congratulate Tammy, Dennis, and Mark on their respective new positions also. We have a great core of "veteran" leadership in our club.

I have a slew of ideas to hopefully make this upcoming racing season our best ever, in terms of turn out and fun!! I would like to remind all of you that we are all about our members - we need your input!! If you see something you like, or have a gripe, please let us know. We try to keep our organization as friendly as possible-that's why our phone numbers and email addresses are listed on the first page. If you can't make it to our monthly meetings, be sure to contact one our board members prior to the meeting, we will discuss all comments, good and otherwise.

Also, the weather is changing, roads will be covered in snow soon, please drive carefully so we can see all of you at our events next year!

*Ryan Coler*



## BOARD MEMBERS

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The Christmas party is going to be on December 20th at Mark Richlen's. Thanks again, Mark and Dehlia.

New Business:

There is a mini-convention in Denver December 6, but no one, at least at the meeting, is going from here.

Additional nominations were asked for and none were offered, so the new officers, all without opposition, were accepted by acclamation.

Mark Richlen asked for and received \$50.00 to purchase some steel cabinets for the trailer to better arrange the contents therein.

The printer has died, but we have printers all over the place that some members are willing to donate or loan.

We have a PA system in our trailer, and we discussed that it would be great to get it going again. It would keep the shouting down and preserve our singing voices as well.

Scott Cranston incurred discussion on the need for formalizing the care of the trailer. He pointed out that it is a source of income for the club (e.g. rental to the Hillclimb and Tire Rama this year) and that we should be sure that everything is professional and up to good working order. That seems to have fallen to Dennis M. and Mark R. to inquire about.

Tammy, current and future comp chair, has made a trip to the Acton raceway, and noted that they have acres of beautiful asphalt. The general manager of the site is considering our needs and will get back to us.

We talked about the Metra, and several ideas about the site were tossed around so that Tammy may have an idea whether or not to approach them again for an event. It is expensive, so we have some parameters about using the place. Perhaps we could get the upper lot and do a two day event there, or if we use the lower lot, we need exclusive usage there. It was generally felt that the Metra is a good place to have an event, but to sell it, we need to know far enough ahead to get the word out and have use as described above.

Tammy was authorized to negotiate with the Metra management. Motion to adjourn was seconded and passed.

Thanks for everything! Ken Decker



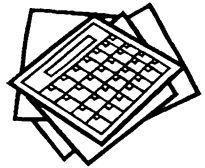
### Competition Chairperson

Hello all. Hope everything is going well for each of you with regard to your holiday planning, may they be joyful times for you and your families. There, was that enough Christmas cheer?

Ok, on to actual SCCA stuff. First, I am glad to be Event Chair again and I've already been busy at next years schedule. We do have the Metra again for any Sunday in July. I will be deciding on that very soon. We also have Lewistown for three events. Two of the regular informal days and one two-day timed event, which is a repeat of an older tradition. We got the ok for the use of a new lot and Fred Magers is working on that one so we can get a date set up. We'll keep you posted on that one. We also heard back (FINALLY) from the Acton track and it boiled down to this question: "How much are you willing to pay?". Well, I guess that's up for discussion at the next meeting. Dennis put the ball nicely back in their court by asking how much they hope to get so its back to the waiting game to get an answer.

I am working diligently to bring the EVO Driving School here next season also. There are limits on class size so anyone even remotely interested, please contact me at 861-2268 so I have an idea of what to plan for. Class size is also a determining factor in cost, meaning the more people, the cheaper it will be. The cost will still be in the \$225.00 minimum range, though. Its a great school where a person can really learn a lot about driving, car handling, Solo II, and so much more. This is a nation-wide program and well worth every penny spent.

Well, I guess that's all I have for now so one final "Merry Christmas" and I'm off. See you at the meetings.



Tammy McCollough  
Comp. Chair.



### SAFETY SAFETY SAFETY

I hope you all made it through Thanksgiving okay. Now we have Christmas next on the agenda. When putting up those decorations, please check all electrical cords and outlets and make sure they will handle the load you will be putting on them. You don't want any surprises in that corner.

We are finally getting some snow and boy is it slick in some areas. Drive with extra care and remember that four wheel drives may get you going faster, but you still need the same amount of room to stop...so don't run over me!!

Merry Christmas to all.

When changing your address, please use [membership@scca.org](mailto:membership@scca.org), include your membership number with your new address or contact **SCCA, P. O. Box 19400, Topeka, Ks. 66619-0400.** Toll Free 1-800-770-2055 - [scca.org](http://scca.org)

### FOR SALE/FREE

To give away; Windscreen, clear, scratched but serviceable fits TR4-TR6, Spitfire1-3, and GT6 mk.1, GT6+ Call Mark Richlen, 406-248-3473 or [mrichlen@montana.net](mailto:mrichlen@montana.net)

**HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED:  
IF YOU ARE AS SAFE AS YOU THINK?  
OR, ABOUT THE SECRETS OF SPEED?**

The answers to these and other questions can be yours at the  
**SCCA NATIONAL CONVENTION  
KANSAS CITY, MO  
FEBRUARY 4-7, 2004**

See and hear the latest research as our panel of experts share the Best Practices in keeping yourself safe from racing injury.

- **Dr. John Melvin:** Researcher and Consultant in Crash Safety and Injury Biomechanics
- **Dr. Bob Hubbard:** Creator of HANS®,
- **Mr. Hubert Gramling:** Safety Consultant for the FIA Foundation
- **Mr. Arnie Kuhns:** President, SFI Foundation

**Topics will include:**

Biomechanics of injuries

Safety Restraint Systems: why safety restraint is a system of effective components, not just one component of a system  
How's and why's of equipment standards

**Racing is better when you know how to go faster.**

Special topic seminars will be provided

- **Tires:** think they're just about the rubber? Think again.
- **HANS:** Pains in the Neck. How to keep yourself safe.
  - **Seats:** are they just a place to put your backside?
- **PR/Marketing:** It make not make you go faster, but they'll know you're out there when you do.

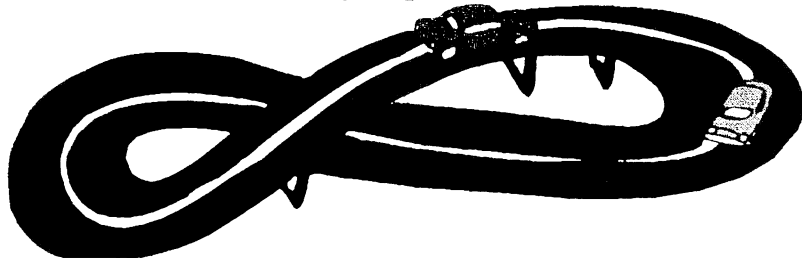
CELEBRATE SCCA'S 60<sup>TH</sup> DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY IN KANSAS CITY ON FEBRUARY 4-7, 2004. WE'LL SAVE A SEAT FOR YOU.

Check [SCCA.com](http://SCCA.com) for registration, schedule, and updates on seminars. See you there!

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION CUTOFF DATE JAN 5, 2004**



Even Santa's a kid when it comes to cars!



**President's Corner**

--Steve Johnson, President and CEO

One of the biggest challenges facing racing organizations today is television. In order to build awareness for your series, attract new members and sponsors, provide a return on investment for all involved and continue to build success, you need a strong television package.

The current television environment is not favorable for racing other than NASCAR. Ratings are down, advertising is down and the mega corporation television giants are watching results closely.

Any success for a television future will take a strong business plan and a clear understanding of all needs of the television network. We have spent a great deal of time and energy in doing the above and I am proud to say it has paid off!

Jim Liberatore, the President and CEO of SPEED Channel (Fox) and I announced a five year television commitment that is second to none in the industry. SPEED Channel will be the home to the SCCA SPEED World Challenge series, the SCCA ProRally Championships, the SCCA Valvoline Runoffs and the newly announced magazine style show Sports Car Revolution.

SPEED Channel will air over 100 hours of SCCA programming to over 60 million households which clearly markets SCCA as a premier leader in motor sports.

SPEED Channel has made a commitment and an investment not only to road racing but to the SCCA and to our great members. I am proud and honored to call SPEED Channel a true partner.

I hope all of you enjoy our broadcasts and for those of you that don't get SPEED Channel, call your cable operator and ask them to subscribe.

Kind Regards,

*Steve Johnson*

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Jan 5, 2004 - Early bird deadline for National convention**
- Feb 5-7 - National Convention - Kansas City, Mo.**
- Dec. 3 - Yellowstone Region Meeting - Billings Fuddruckers - 875 Main**
- Dec 20 - Yellowstone Region Christmas Party 1140 Patriot - Billings**
- Dec. 25 - MERRY CHRISTMAS**
- Jan 1 - HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Always remember to drive safe and sober this holiday season, if you want to drink, have a designated driver with you. Drive safe and be safe!!



*You are invited to the Yellowstone Region*

*Christmas Party*

*December 20, 2003*

*at*

*Mark & Deliah Richlen's*

*1140 Patriot*

*248-3473*

*Billings*

*about 7:30/8:00 p.m.*

*BYOB and an appetizer to share*

*The Richlen's live in Billings Heights*

*Go up Hilltop, (1st light after Albertson's from the Metro)*

*turn left and proceed up Hilltop, which will run into*

*Governors Blvd. continue on Governors to Constitution and*

*turn right, go one block to Patriot and turn right again and*

*proceed down the street to 1140 on the right.*

*We will award the Dick Hager Memorial, Member of the  
Year Award and the Grant Cameron Memorial, Driver of the  
Year Award, plus a few other unnamed as of now awards.*

*Come share the fine company and wonderful appetizers,  
which you all will bring, along with your sense of humor.*

*Chips & dip....sushi....meat & cheese....shrimp & cocktail  
sauce....candies....cakes & cookies....snails, you know  
escargot....pates....cheese balls....crackers....breads & spreads  
we get a great variety of snacks*



**SCCA**  
Sports Car Club of America

# Membership Application

## Dear Prospective SCCA Member:

To apply for membership in the Sports Car Club of America, the world's largest member participation automotive organization, please complete the form below in full and return, with payment, to your region or the SCCA Membership Department, P.O. Box 19400, Topeka, KS 66619-0400.

### PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Single  Married Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Member Number If Current Member \_\_\_\_\_

### IF APPLYING FOR FAMILY MEMBERSHIP (husband/wife and children), list names and ages of children under age 21:

03 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

04 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

05 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

06 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been an SCCA member before?  No  Yes: Year \_\_\_\_\_ Previous Member No. \_\_\_\_\_

Please send me a Crew License (check box)

### PRIMARY INTEREST(S) IN SCCA:

Please indicate the area(s) of SCCA in which you plan to participate, or which interest you most. Your response will be used to allocate your national dues to the areas you indicate. Thank you.

Club Racing  Pro Racing  ProRally  RoadRally  Solo

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	Annual National Dues	Annual Regional Dues	Total
01	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member \$55.00 +	Regular Member \$ <u>15.00</u> =	\$ <u>70.00</u>
03	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse Member \$15.00 +	Spouse Member \$ <u>5.00</u> =	\$ <u>20.00</u>
10	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Membership \$85.00 +	Family Membership \$ <u>20.00</u> =	\$ <u>105.00</u>
	<input type="checkbox"/> First Gear \$ <u>30.00</u>	First Gear (Reg. dues) \$ <u>15.00</u> =	\$ 45.00

(you must be under age 21)

Enclosed is my check or money order for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. DO NOT SEND CASH.

VISA  MC No. \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby apply for membership in the Sports Car Club of America, Inc. and its YELLOWSTONE 108 Region and agree to abide by the bylaws. (Region Name/Number)

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Dues include payment for subscription to SportsCar (\$24 value)  
(Dues are not deductible as charitable contributions)

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# What's SCCA?

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Sports Car Club of America is one of the country's largest motorsports organizations. Activities range from professional racing and rallying to socializing. In between is a myriad of activity—road rallies, solo events (that's where it's just you and your car against the clock on a twisting course) and club racing, for those who want to be race car drivers. SCCA Pro Racing, a wholly-owned subsidiary of SCCA, Inc., organizes, officiates and sanctions the organization's professional motorsports offerings. SCCA Pro Racing's series include the Trans-Am Series—North America's longest continuously running road racing series and the World Challenge and the Pro Spec Racer Series.

## SCCA IS LOCAL

There are over 100 local chapters of the SCCA all around the country—one's near you. You'll be involved in local events close to home and can make weekends of it with friends at divisional and national events as well. SCCA is like no other motorsports organization—because you're involved, because you help to plan, stage and run events, or compete in them.

## YOU GET IN ON THE ACTION

If you're not into competing with your car, then you might want to join the thousands who officiate—timing and scoring, scrutineering (that's inspecting cars before they compete), working as flaggers, handling official's duties in the pits, on the starting grid and start-finish line. These are just a few of the things you can learn to do, as well as attend SCCA's racing driver schools and earn your competition license.

## FULL MEMBER

\$55 National dues plus from \$5 to \$25 Regional dues.

- You are eligible for National Championships.
- You are eligible for SCCA competition driving schools—leading to a national racing license.
- You can work toward your SCCA "Official's License" for duties at major regional and national Club events, as well as at professional events.
- Take part in social activities of nearby local chapters to which you'll belong. Vote in Club elections, serve on committees, etc.
- Free annual subscription to SportsCar®, the SCCA official monthly magazine.

- Free SCCA cloth insignia for you jacket or cap plus decal for your car.
- Free Participant Accident insurance while participating in SCCA activities.
- Discounts on rental cars and merchandise.

## FAMILY MEMBERSHIP (Husband/wife and children under age 21)

\$85 National dues plus from \$10 to \$30 Regional dues.

- Here's a way to get your immediate family involved for less than the cost of two individual memberships.
- Now your children (under 21 years of age) can hold certain worker licenses, receive a membership card, SCCA cloth insignia and decal, event insurance benefits and become active participants in the Club.
- Family shares a subscription to SportsCar.

## FIRST GEAR (under age 21)

\$45 = National + Regional Dues.

- Includes subscription to SportsCar magazine (\$24 value) insurance benefits and discounts on Club Merchandise and other products and services. Does not include ability to hold Club Racing, Pro Rally or Solo I competition license.

## SPOUSE MEMBERSHIP

\$15 National dues plus \$0 to \$15 Region Dues.

- A Spouse member is either a wife or husband of a Regular member, and pays prescribed annual dues.
- Same privileges of a regular member except one SportsCar magazine per household.

Take your choice. Either way, it's a way to enjoy yourself and share an interest with others who enjoy automobiles—whether it be a sedan, subcompact, compact, truck, van or sports car—or you don't even have to drive or own an automobile, that's not a requirement for membership in SCCA.

Complete the application on the reverse side and send in today.

You might want to give a membership to a friend or loved one, too.

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## Sports Car Club of America, Inc.

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Topeka, KS 66619-0400  
[www.scca.com](http://www.scca.com)

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# EASTERN IDAHO SPORTS CAR CLUB

**New Club Officers - President – Larry Hull - Vice President – Joe Kremer - Treasurer – Dave Krekel**

Club meetings are the first Wednesday of most months - February, March, April, May, June, August, September, and October. July is usually too close to the July 4th race to bother with a meeting. Meetings are held at Melina's Mexican Restaurant, in Blackfoot. The address is 321 N. Main. The meetings start at 7:30 PM. However, come at 6:30 and have dinner before the meeting.

- **Atomic days** If you have any good Ideas for event sites, Please let me know at [lewisr@ida.net](mailto:lewisr@ida.net)

The Boise Region has a new web site check it out [www.snakeriverscca.org](http://www.snakeriverscca.org)

The Utah Region SCCA will be hosting many races this year. If we don't have a race for you to go to, check them out. [www.team.net/urscca/](http://www.team.net/urscca/) .

## YEAR END AWARDS -Eastern Idaho Sports Car Club

To get an award you must have raced in at least 7 races if you raced in all 14 races, 2 would have been dropped. If you raced in multiple classes you will get an award for the position that you came in the highest in your best class.

Points are not added from one class to another.

(Qualifying Events: 7, dropped events: 2)

SS	Chris Clark	90	90	AS	Cal Craner	108	108	CS	Ty Bair	56	72
CS	Larry Hull	70	70	CS	Dana Jacobsen	39	39	ES	Dave Krekel	87	87
FS	Scott Brown	90	90	FSL	Kathy Bair	90	90	HS	Brian Coulson	81	81
BSP	Wes Stewart	73	73	CSP	Harry Poland	81	81	ESP	Mitch McDowell	95	95
ESP	Tony Kremer	39	39	EP	Brian Krah	60	60	STS	George Curtis	54	54
SM	Ryan Hunter	69	69	SM2	Allan Densmore	87	87	SM2	Joe Kremer	38	38
F125	Chuck Bissy	54	54	FJR	Andy McDowell	103	103	FJR	Alycia Kremer	46	46
FJR	Garth Clark	39	39	CSL	Leah Street	81	81	F125L	Karen Snarr	90	90

Kathy Bair - Women's Novice of the Year

Cody Garner - Men's Novice of the Year

For full race by race results go to the web site: <http://www.ida.net/users/lewisr/eiscc1.html>

## Southwest Montana Region (Pending) at Bozeman

Contacts: Marty Westland 587-0075

Joe Evers 585-8447  
web site: [www.swmtscca.org](http://www.swmtscca.org)

### Annual Dues For Yellowstone Region

	Nat'l	Regn	Tot
Regular Member	\$55.00	\$15.00	\$70.00
Spouse	15.00	5.00	20.00
Family	85.00	20.00	105.00
1ST Gear (under21)	30.00	15.00	45.00



Yellowstone Region Website -  
[yellowstonescca.com](http://yellowstonescca.com)

New website for Southwest Montana  
Region (Pending) Bozeman -  
[www.swmtscca.org](http://www.swmtscca.org)

## SCHEDULE

Dec 3rd Meeting - Fuddruckers - 875 Main St.  
Billings

Dec. 20th Christmas Party - Mark Richlen's - Detail  
Inside

Montana Region, Great Falls Ed Austin, 452-1135 or Jerry  
Rukavina, 761.4357.

Anyone that has a possibility of a racing venue, please  
contact the competition chairmen. Tami McCollough, 861-  
2268 for Billings & Joe Evers for Bozeman 585-8447.

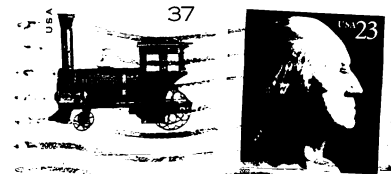
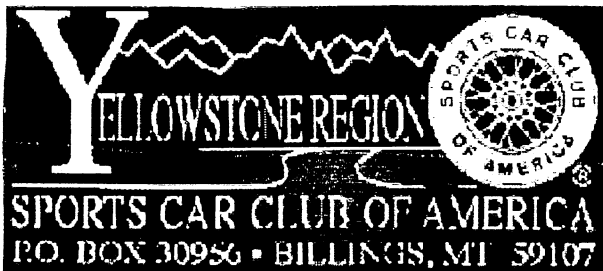
The December 2003 meeting  
will be held on Dec. 3rd. at  
Fuddruckers, 875 MAIN  
STREET, Billings, at 7:30 P.M.  
See you there.

### WEB Sites

Yellowstone Region 108  
Yellowstone SCCA.org  
Southwest Montana Region (Pending)  
[www.swmtscca.org](http://www.swmtscca.org)  
Montana Region (Great Falls)  
Eastern Idaho Sports Car Club  
<http://www.ida.net/users/lewisr/eiscc1.html>  
Big Sky Region (Missoula/Kalispell)  
[www.users.qwest.net/~sharpguy/](http://www.users.qwest.net/~sharpguy/)  
Montana Region  
[www.geocities.com/montanascca/](http://www.geocities.com/montanascca/)  
Northwest Hillclimb Association  
<http://users.bitsmart.net/rainbowtees/nha.html>  
Magic City Speedway (Billings)  
[http://www.magiccityspeedway.com/body\\_index.html](http://www.magiccityspeedway.com/body_index.html)  
Cars On Canvas  
[www.cars-on-canvas.com](http://www.cars-on-canvas.com)

Merry  
Christmas

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Dec. 3rd - Meeting Fuddruckers,  
875 Main Street - 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 20th - Christmas Party - See details  
inside.



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1140 Patriot

Billings, Mt. 59105