



Summer 2018



WE WANT YOU!

Join Your Neighbors!

**Board of Directors Annual Election and Nine Mile Community Center BBQ
Saturday, September 15, 2017 (11 a.m. — 2 p.m.)**

Come on up to vote in the annual Board election, enjoy some tasty free Bar-B-Que, and visit with old friends and make new ones! We'll have free burgers and other goodies after you vote.

Volunteer Board Members Wanted

Help your community with historic building preservation, event planning, fund raising, and have some fun too! Three Board member terms will end September 30, 2018. The top three vote recipients will serve three-year terms ending September 30, 2021. Citizens living in the Nine Mile valley from Siegel Pass to Interstate 90 (Exit 82) are invited to volunteer as a candidate for the Community Center Board of Directors. Each candidate must submit a short bio (one or two paragraphs) that will be published in the next NMCC Newsletter. Bios must be submitted no later than **Wednesday, August 22nd**. Contact Sharon Sweeney ASAP at 626-1610 for more information, and sample bio's. We want you—please volunteer!

ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES, and DUTIES OF NMCC BOARD MEMBERS

The main role of the NMCC Board is the maintenance and upkeep of your Community Center's historic buildings and property. The NMCC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization responsible for all public activities at the Community Center, and for fostering revenue programs and events to support the Community Center.

Board meetings are the second Wednesday of each month (excluding January) at the Community Center. Meetings start at 7 pm and usually last about 90 minutes, and regular attendance is encouraged. Additional Board member duties as available include a spring cleanup day and helping out at the annual Holiday Craft Fair in November and new Cider Pressing & Chili Cook-off event in October. Other options for participation range from helping with buildings and grounds maintenance, organizing educational classes, and assisting with featured public events.

1st ANNUAL NINE MILE CIDER PRESSING & CHILI COOKOFF IS COMING!

Plan now to harvest and save your ripe fruit this Fall. Your Community Center Board will be hosting our 1st Annual Apple Cider Pressing event **Saturday, October 13th**. This should be a really FUN event with an opportunity for all to get a taste of some fresh squeezed cider. Bring your harvest fruit, or even a bag of store bought apples, to press into fresh cider. We will have **reusable NMCC Growler containers** for sale too! Because food, drink and fun go together we will be hosting a Nine Mile Chili Cookoff contest along side the Cider Pressing event. There will be a small charge for the event lunch to sample and vote for the your favorite homemade Nine Mile chili. Look for contest rules and application form in the next Nine Mile Community Center newsletter!

Check out the Nine Mile Community Center Facebook Page

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What's next for Community Center Historic Preservation?

You may recall past newsletters highlighted our plans for restoration work in the Stark Schoolhouse dining area. That need is still there, but mother nature has set us back a turn. Last winter a basement water leak caused major ceiling damage that required prompt attention and emergency repairs. Our NMCC property insurance paid for most of the basement ceiling and plumbing repairs, but other planned projects were set back.

We had planned to work on the kitchen and dining area this year to repair the old ceiling (the plaster is literally falling down); remove the florescent shop lights and install six new "schoolhouse" pendant lights; fix the holes in the walls and paint the walls; and replace mismatched wood molding. We are still working to get this done, but as always we cannot do the work without your support and financial help. Please send a tax deductible donation in any amount. Project updates will be in future newsletters, or see for yourself at the September 15th Board Election BBQ.



Mail your donations to: **Nine Mile Community Center**
P.O. Box 1061, Frenchtown, MT 59834 (or donate on our web site)

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