2020 BE GREAT BALL LIVE AUCTION SNEAK PEEK!



Beartooth Adventure!

Folks, here is a great opportunity for 10 people to travel in an iconic 1937 Yellowstone open-top touring bus from Red Lodge along the scenic highway to the East Summit (10,984 feet). Here you can view peaks galore, lakes, fields of flowers, and the famed "Bear's Tooth." Enjoy a picnic lunch at Summit Point and a complete assortment of beverages along the way. It is a true step back in time. Get some friends together and enjoy this unique experience! You can schedule this ride to take place between June and September 2020. Donated by Buses of Yellowstone, Red Lodge, MT.

Exquisite Dinner!

Delight in exceptional food and wine pairing served in an intimate and unmatched atmosphere. Up for bid is an exclusive meal for 8 prepared by Executive Chef, Alan Sparboe, a New England Culinary Institute graduate who worked at the original Hilton Chicago as well as the Four Seasons Hotel in Chicago before operating the Granary here in Billings for over 10 years. Alan will be assisted by Sous Chefs, Jason Bliss and Cyndy Grinde, who will bring a level of wine pairing that will match intricately with the 6 courses. When the dishes are cleared, the night is not over. Everyone will enjoy an after-dinner drink of top-shelf whiskey or a 20 year port. To complete this fabulous evening, each guest/couple will take a beautiful centerpiece prepared by Kristen Gainan Sparboe from Gainans Flower and Garden Center. This dining experience will be held at the home of Jason Bliss and Cyndy Grinde. Generously donated by Jason Bliss, Cyndy Grinde, Allen Sparboe and Kristen Gainan Sparboe.

Big Horn Fishing Trip!

A fly rod and reel fishing trip is the perfect activity for 2 outdoor enthusiasts! Experience a wonderful day floating down one of the greatest trout fisheries in America with Big Horn River Lodge Outfitter Matthew Clawson. Whether you're enjoying the scenery across the river, or catching the "big one," fishing creates those unique narratives that define an experience unlike any other activity. During this day trip, you'll be accompanied by a guide willing to share instruction, techniques, and knowledge of the river and surrounding area. Lunch and beverages are included. This is a great day for anyone who wants to learn how to fly fish or for someone that has many years of experience! Retreat to the fresh air and enjoy a day of fly fishing on the Bighorn River! Generously donated by Matthew Clawson.

Be Surprised With A Quick Draw By Carolyn Thayer!

Life-long Billings resident, Carolyn Thayer will delight with a bright whimsical acrylic painting completed during the BE GREAT Ball. After receiving her degree in art and education at Montana State University, Carolyn taught in the public schools for 28 years. During this time she won numerous awards and worked for several greeting card companies. In 1980, she partnered with Gazette reporter Kathryn Wright illustrating the book "Billings Historic Homes." She was a Golden Apple winner and YWCA's Salute to Women nominee in 1999.

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