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## A Message from the President

January in Montana – what a month it could be! Those of us here in Billings have generally been blessed with experiencing the proverbial “banana belt” clime, and again this year it appears that we will be returning, after three years of very nasty early winters, to that with which we have associated ourselves.

A bit of trivia, which is kind of fun: the month of January draws its name from the Roman mythological god “Janus”, the god of beginnings or transitions. From the Latin word, ianua, meaning door, the month of January is the beginning (doorway) of the new year. Statues depicting Janus show an individual having two faces, one looking forward, another back – looking to the future and reviewing the past.

And here we are, on the threshold of a new year, 2012! Looking forward to a great year and finding that we have made it through a challenging 2011.

I hope that a good number of our members had the chance to attend a function at the Club during the late months of the year – Thanksgiving dinner, a Sunday breakfast, Christmas party/gathering or just a night above the city with your family and friends. We had a busy season and overall success in attending to all of the festive events.

Thank you all who have been so generous over the last year, to all who have continued to support the Club, to all who contribute to the daily success of providing the services to the membership. Thank you for your past support. Additionally, another grand “thank you” to all of those who made contributions to the employee Christmas fund.

And now, as we look forward – the Club has had some reductions in the yearly rent for the upcoming year and this will go a considerable way towards allowing us some room in which to financially make a comeback in this new year. It is essential, however, that we, as a membership, continue to use the Club. As has been said before, IF we all used the Club twice as often as we typically do, we would be in much better shape. We must use the Club to keep it there for us. New members are always sought, and hopefully we can all bring along a new friend, business associate or even a family member who would enjoy the facility and all it has to offer.

The Club is having a New Year’s Eve dinner which will likely be a great venue for bringing in 2012! Happy New Year to all -

See you at the Club!

Patrick H. Beddow  
President  
406-248-8838

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**THANK YOU**  
To All who make the Club  
possible and worthwhile. Come enjoy!

## Save the Date



Sunday  
Breakfast

8am-12

January 15, 2012

February 19, 2012

March 18, 2012

Wine Pairing

5:30-8:00 pm

January 27, 2012

Featuring Wine by  
George’s Distributing

**RESERVATIONS RECOMMENDED**

**Happy Hour**  
Wednesday – Saturday

5:00 – 7:00 pm

1/2 Off Well Drinks,  
Wine and Beer

**\$2 Off All Appetizers**

# WELCOME

**Thomas W. Hanel**  
Mayor

**John A. Shoff Regional Manager**  
Dowl HKM

**LaRell Baldwin**  
GM Crowne Plaza

**Gordon D. Smith President**  
Le Cabinet Shoppe

## Super Bowl Party

Sunday February 5th

3pm– Tailgate Buffet/Drink  
specials \$15.00

## Valentine's Dinner

Tuesday February 14th

5pm-9pm

Select dinner menu and drink  
specials.

Reservations required for the  
evening by February 11th

## Letter from the General Manager

### BPC Membership,

The holidays have come and gone and we are all looking forward to a new and prosperous year at the Club.

BPC Board has successfully agreed to sign a new lease from the Crowne Plaza and we are excited about the terms of the new deal. I would like to thank David Kinnard for negotiating the best terms for our Club and his years of dedicated service and counsel for the club is much appreciated.

I have had the privilege of working at the Club for the past four years, and understanding the importance of a involved BOD, many thanks to outgoing directors. A special thank you goes to Mr. Balsam; his dedication to the Club the last four years, along with his ideas and time on numerous committees has made the Club a better place for all of us to enjoy today.

I would like to encourage everyone to make reservations for the upcoming Sunday breakfast and wine tasting. These events are held for you and we would like to be able to continue the member events and appreciate your feedback on these wonderful events.

The club will continue offering lite and early meals from 4:30-9pm Wed-Sat. and also the new year will bring new dinner and lunch menus.

The Mangement and staff would like to thank the membership for the Christmas bonuses, and wish all of you a happy holiday season and look forward to serving you in the new year.

Sincerely,  
Sina Amini  
General Manager  
BPC 252-6702

**If your member number is from 1041 to 1575  
your quarter for meal minimum ends January 31**

\*Calendar subject to change—call or email the club for the most current information.

## January 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <b>January 1</b> Club Closed	2 Club Closed	3 Club Open 11:30-2pm	4 <b>Barristers</b> Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	5 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	6 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	7 Club Open 4:30-9 pm
8 Club Closed	9 Club Closed	10 Club Open 11:30-2pm House Committee 3pm UGLY-noon	11 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	12 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	13 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	14 Club Open 4:30-9 pm
15 <b>Sunday</b> <b>Breakfast</b> 8am-12noon	16 Club Closed	17 Club Open 11:30-2pm  BOD—11 am	18 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	19 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	20 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	21 Club Open 4:30-9 pm
22 Club Closed	23 Club Closed	24 Club Open 11:30-2pm  UGLY-noon	25 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	26 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	27 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm Wine Tasting	28 Club Open 4:30-9 pm
29 Club Closed	30 Club Closed	31 Club Open 11:30-2pm				

## February 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <b>Barristers</b> Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	2 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	3 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	4 Club Open 4:30-9 pm
5 <b>Super Bowl</b> Tailgate party 3pm- \$15.00	6 Club Closed	7 Club Open 11:30-2pm House Committee 3pm UGLY-noon	8 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	9 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	10 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	11 Club Open 4:30-9 pm
12 Club Closed	13 Club Closed	14 Club Open 11:30-9pm BOD—11 am Valentine's Dinner 5pm-9pm	15 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	16 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	17 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	18 Club Open 4:30-9 pm
19 <b>Sunday</b> <b>Breakfast</b> 8am-12noon	20 Club Closed	21 Club Open 11:30-2pm Annual Club Meeting UGLY-noon	22 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	23 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm	24 Club Open 11:30-2pm 4:30-9 pm Wine Tasting	25 Club Open 4:30-9 pm
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**Board of  
Directors  
and  
Committees**

**2011 Officers and  
Directors**

Patrick Beddow - President  
Jeffrey Peete- Vice President  
Duane E. Smith - Treasurer  
Rob Balsam- Past President  
Judy G Johnson - Secretary  
Dave Kinnard  
Don Sterhan  
Ben Ripley  
J.R. Reger  
John Limbach  
Dan Barnett  
Alan Olson  
John Fredlund

**House Committee**

Jeffrey Peete (Chair)  
Patrick Beddow  
Dan Barnett  
Randi Friez  
Judy G. Johnson  
Cyndy Opsal  
Duane E. Smith  
Jodee Crable (Staff)  
Kendrick Williams (staff)

**Membership Committee**

Jeffrey Peete (Chair)  
Patrick Beddow  
Duane E. Smith  
Judy G. Johnson  
Jodee Crable (staff)

**CLUB INFORMATION**

Located downtown on the 22nd Floor of  
the Crowne Plaza Hotel

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(jodee\_bpc@yahoo.com)  
**Office/Accounting:**  
accounting\_bpc@yahoo.com  
**Chef :** Kendrick\_bpc@yahoo.com

**CLUB HOURS**

**Sunday and Monday—Club Closed**

**Lunch: Tuesday—Friday**  
11:30a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

**Dinner: Wednesday—Saturday**  
4:30 — 9:00 p.m.

**Bar: Wednesday—Friday**  
3:00 p.m.—Close

For reservations call 252-6702

Call ahead and we will have your table ready!

**Office Hours**

Tuesday—Friday, 10:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

**2012 CLUB  
SPONSORS**

Avitus Group	Montalban Oil & Gas Operations, Inc.
Ballard Petroleum Holdings LLC	Montana Wyoming Oil Co.
Big Sky Linen	Mountain View Energy, Inc.
Big Sky Aviation	Mrachek, Popp & Associates
CHS (Cenex Harvest States)	MSU-Billings Foundation
Central Montana Resources, LLC	Northern Oil & Gas Petro-Hunt
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Diversified Transfer & Storage	Spence Accounts
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Devon Energy Corp.	Streeter Brothers
Diamond B Oilfield Trucking	Sysco Food Services of Montana
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Imperial Oil of North Dakota, Inc.	WYO-BEN
Kingfisher, LLC	

The House Committee requests sponsors of \$100 each for fresh flowers during each month.

Please contact the office at 252-6702  
We have numerous openings for sponsoring the Club's fresh flowers in the upcoming months.

**Available for Sponsors**

**January Available for Sponsors**

**February Available for Sponsors**

**Annual Club Meeting  
Tuesday February 21st**

**IN MEMORY OF  
Margaret Mosbaugh  
December 20, 1913**

**Have an idea for a "Pilot Event"?  
Send Your Idea To**

