## LAST CHANCE TOASTMASTERS

## Fun Facts Fall Newsletter 2017 - Toastmaster Adventures!

Oct 6 to Oct 14<sup>th</sup> Lenci Kappes went elk hunting in the Scapegoat Wilderness with his father where they got a nice Bull elk. Below is a picture of the horses packing.



In Lenci's own words – "My Father and I recently returned from another hunting adventure. Bethany helped us pack in camp but had to return to work. We hunted for several days before locating anything. Of course, the elk were on the highest mountain top, and a snow storm blew in on us for two days! We were successful although we certainly questioned our sanity after the 19-mile pack out to the trailhead! I won't even mention hypothermia, sleep deprivation, and horse wrecks – except that I might have another TM speech! "LK

Teresa Allison and her fiancé, Chuck hit the road for Las Cruses NM the beginning of October to meet HIS family. They got lost in Colorado and ended up losing a full day, but saw some of the most beautiful country imaginable. "Now I know why they call it 'Rocky Mountain High Colorado.'" On their return drive, they toured the memorable Arches National Park. Stunning!



Mark Studt and his wife, Wendy, recently travelled to Missoula for the State AA High School soccer tournament. This trip marked the end of their son's senior year soccer season as goalkeeper for the Helena High Bengals men's varsity team. While the outcome of the tournament was not as desired, the memories of watching Gabe play and lead the team could not make his parents more proud.



## **WORLD TRAVELERS**

Mitzi Grover traveled to France for 9 amazing days with her daughter and son-in-law. The first 3 days involved taking a train to Tours France and renting a car with French GPS to explore the Loire valley area. This included 4 castles, touring Da Vinci's home and gardens and tasting the local wine.

Back in Paris for 4 days, we enjoyed all the fun tourists sights. Eiffel tour, Versailles, Louvre, Seine boat tour, Left Bank and the awesome food and wine. She even braved the Paris Metro system. "I'm so thankful that is not the main way to commute in Montana!" She recommends a trip to this amazing area – but plan on traveling in the low travel season like September and October to get reduced rates.



Kent Barnes spent October 12<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> traveling to an orphanage in central Mexico with the Carroll College Engineers Without Borders group. The orphanage is located in a desert region at about 6000 foot elevation near Colon. Colon is smaller than Helena. The orphanage has a farming operation that helps support them. Carroll College has done projects to improve their wastewater sanitation and to improve their farming irrigation. In this trip, information was gathered on a future irrigation improvement project. Colon is well off the tourist path. In tourist areas, all the vendors are ready to accept US Dollars. In Colon, none of the venders accept Dollars. This trip provided the opportunity to participate in local Mexican culture while working with them to improve life. The children at the orphanage are important.

ike Dyrdahl recently spent two wonderful weeks in the lofty town of London!! When you next see him, ask him about his adventures there!



Marisa Mailand performed in the Last Chance New Play Fest this last weekend and if you couldn't attend, you missed a creative topic. The production is called The AI Project, a series of 8 short plays all on the theme of Artificial Intelligence. She is performing in two of the plays. She is now considering Grand Street! Give her a "Break a leg!" on the idea of moving up in the world of theater!

Don't forget our Toastmaster Social – Friday, Nov 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM at the Brewhouse, downstairs!!

Newsletter items are always welcome from our Last Chance Toastmaster members. If you've been anywhere or done anything – we'd love to hear about it at:

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