

Behind the scenes

For a place that has been closed for more than a year, there surely is a lot going on at A Carousel for Missoula. At this time last year we were counting how many days and weeks we had been closed. We are now beginning to count how long until we can reopen. We can't share a reopening date with you yet, but we are *getting ready* to *be ready* when the time is right.

In the meantime, take a look at what's happening behind closed doors.



In the next few weeks the Carousel will be a busy place...

- redesigning the gift shop (thanks to our consultant, Kate Likvan, for sharing her sense of style and knowledge of retail sales),
- **cleaning & sealing the aggregate floors** (thanks to Five Valley Restoration and Cleaning),
- **improving the front plaza** (thanks to Shamrock Concrete Cutting and Cale Fylling Concrete),
- **installing recognition signage** (thanks to Bob & Michelle Jordan at Garden City Monument Services), and
- resealing the roll-up garage doors (thanks to Overhead Door Company).

We are grateful to all the Missoula companies which provide us with great service.

Limestone & ponies & dragons, oh my!



If you've been considering adopting one of the hand-carved corbels (\$1500) or a limestone panel (\$5000 or \$10,000 depending on size) on the east end of the Carousel building, now would be a great time to put your idea into action.

Granite signs with adopters' names will be engraved in the next couple of weeks, and the more names we can include this initial engraving opportunity the better.

Don't worry if you aren't quite ready; we can add names at a later date. If you know you want your name engraved in granite, associated with one of these amazing works of art, however, call Theresa at 406-370-3922 to talk about payment options.

A Carousel for Missoula Foundation, Inc is a 501(c)(c), so your donation to adopt a corbel or a panel is tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

One small panel, two large panels, and four corbels are available.

to our 2021 Community Powered Donors



Penelope Oncken

\$9000

Treacy Foundation - grant for new furnaces

\$1000+

Chris & Jeannie Siegler Gary & Lynne Willstein

\$500+

Garden City Funeral Home
and
Noble Metal Solutions
U-Swirl Frozen Yogurt
Qin Yu and Wayne Davis
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From the horse's mouth Moonlight, the horse pictured here, is a Penny Pony. She belongs to all Missoula-area school kids, past and present, but was designed by Holly Raser's 4th grade class at Target Range School.

Up to \$100

Charles & Colleen McHugh Doris Lambert Emma Lorusso Gwen & John Bartels Linda Blakney Lana & Frank Clark Terry & Germaine Conrad Wendy Dodson Royce & Mary Engstrom Marshall & Willie Farmer Elaine Hammer Cathy & Winton Kemmis Ed & Cindy Kurtz & Family Keith & Julie Parker Bob & Priscilla Phillips John & Sharon Reiter Charlotte Rice Marilyn & Pat Ryan IoAnne Stewart Michael & Susan Sweet Stephanie Watts Lou & Phyllis Whitsell John & Karen Rincker Glenn & Noreen Kozeluh Holly & Rich Borghello Shelley Ciallella in memory of Sue Stevens **Dottie Collins** Linda McCarthy & Tom Gallagher Ruby & Doug Kikkert and Charlie & Robin Barbara Theroux Carma Gilligan Douglas Grimm Fred Liberatori Brittany Broder Ira & Kay Robison

Like us on Facebook to see fun facts "From the Horse's Mouth" at least once a week. Learn more about the Carousel and tidbits about the world. (How else will you know when it is National Grilled Cheese Day?)





MISSOULAGIVES

Hosted by the Missoula Community Foundation, Missoula Gives is our community's biggest day of local giving! For 26-hours, our community comes together with gifts big and small to give back to the nonprofits which are helping to better our local community. We invite everyone to tap into their potential to be a force for good when this year's giving day returns on May 6-7!

This year, Missoula Gives will begin at 5pm on May 6, and end at 7pm on May 7. During those 26 hours, generous donors are invited to support the not-for-profit organizations of their choice. Please keep the Carousel and Dragon Hollow in mind when you make your choices. Our direct link is: **https://www.missoulagives.org/organizations/a-carousel-for-missoula**

For more information, please visit the Missoula Community Foundation's website at https://www.missoulagives.org/



Schedule a private party for your pod

Pod Parties are a great way for you and your pod to enjoy the Carousel in the safest way possible.

We can do parties any day of the week, but weekends are particularly popular. Please call Theresa at 370-3922 to check availability on your date of choice.

What's on & what's off - so far

When the Carousel reopens, we will be taking all necessary precautions to keep our staff and visitors safe. This includes either not hosting our regular events or hosting them in a way that maintains our safety precautions. We learned last year that anything can change at any point, but this is the current plan for our regular events.

- Fairy Tale and Superhero Festival Not this year
- Baskin Robbins booth at the Fair tentatively yes
- Garden Party yes, on Sept. 9, probably as a hybrid event
- Haunted Hollow yes, in some form
- Santa's Breakfast tentatively yes

If you are interested in sponsoring any of the events listed above, or in donating an item to the auction for our Garden Party, please call Theresa at 406-370-3922.

Psst...we are hiring; pass it on!



NOW HIRING



WANT TO WORK WHERE THE FUN NEVER STOPS?

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INFORMATION

- No prior experience necessary
- Benefits include working with great people and making guests smile.
- We take all reasonable measures to keep our staff and visitors safe from COVID-19 - masks, social distancing, etc.

SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES

- be team players
- enjoy working with the public
- be prompt and tidy
- be willing to jump onto/off of the moving platform

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APPLY NOW

See a full job description and download an application at:

http://carouselformissoula.com/employment/

In addition to customer service positions, we are looking for a weekend janitor and a relief mechanic. If you are interested in one or both of these jobs, please note your interest on your application.



Each month, the Carousel enjoys the support of that month's sponsor. Sponsors of the Month make a financial or in-kind investment in the Carousel and Dragon Hollow to help us keep the ponies fed and the dragon happy. We are grateful everyday for their generous support.

























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