

LARAMIE WOMAN'S CLUB

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MISSION STATEMENT

LARAMIE WOMAN'S CLUB STRIVES TO MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT THROUGH COMMUNITY SERVICE.



~Transparency Leads To Trust And Respect~
~Our Achievement Leads To Celebration~
~Our Joy Leads To Our Purpose~

GFWC LARAMIE WOMAN'S CLUB

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Meeting: Thursday, April 9, AHSC, 12:00 p.m.

Program: Author/Artist representing Art, Wine & Cheese Scholarship Event

Hostesses: Lynn Prichard, Sue Peters, Mary Mountain, Betty S. Wills, Alie Mears, Ina Buckner

Earth Day Experiment

Lynn Prichard

Earth Day is April 22. Although we are meeting at the beginning of the month, let's celebrate the importance of Earth Day. Earth Day is to remind us to be mindful



how we use our earth's natural resources so our future generations can enjoy them as well. To save water and money, I proposed at our March meeting that we each **bring our own place setting to our April 9 luncheon.** It saves water as there will be fewer dishes to wash and saves money on hiring a dishwasher in the future. We will still provide silverware and cups, but feel free to bring your own. It will be fun to see what

we each bring and if we choose, we can continue this process at other meetings. Let's have fun with this and make this a success!!

PRESIDENT
Tammy Sullivan

Welcome to spring lovely ladies

As we wrap up the year, we still have lots going on in our club. First of all, please check your calendars as the next meeting is Thursday, April 9, 2026. This is one of the dates miss-published at the beginning of the year so please take note of it! The board will meet at the AHS Center at 1:00 p.m. on April 6th and the evening group will meet at the Women's History House Monday, April 13th. The budget will be voted on this month and there is a decision to be made regarding how we wish to negate the cost of the dishwasher.

Also, Art Wine and Cheese is April 24th and our GFWC Wyoming State Conference is May 1-3 in Cheyenne.

As you know, I closely follow the Iditirod. Long ago were the days that female mushers were rare. Libby Reynolds and Susan Butcher put ladies on the map by winning the race. I was pretty sure early on that Jessie Holmes would win, barring any trouble; but Paige Drobny was licking at his heels through the first half of the race. I couldn't help but cheer her on!



Imagine my shock to learn that during her 10th running of the greatest sled dog race in the world, she was going through a very personal battle with cancer. Exhausted and pushed to her limit, in a way healthy mushers often fail, she just kept pushing on through the pain. She was reported to have said "she was fighting to prove that she was still stronger than everything trying to break her". Paige crossed into Nome visibly drained and in an impressive 4th place. It is reported that there were many moments she didn't think she could go any farther.

Wow, what we as women can accomplish, what we as women can do working together rather than against one another—we can move mountains!

Can you hear me singing Helen Reddy!

It's That Time of Year—Membership Dues Are Due!


The Board has proposed that dues for June 2026 through May 2027 be paid by the May meeting. You may also pay your dues to the Treasurer anytime this month. Early payment helps ensure your information is included in the club directory.



Thank you for your continued support of the Laramie Woman's Club!

The Art, Wine & Cheese Event is April 24! **Malea Brown**

Join us for a fun evening supporting scholarships—bring your friends and family!

 Get tickets via the QR code on the flyer or Zeffy link, or in person at the Laramie Plains Museum, Eppson Center and Women's History House. Limited tickets available at the door (cash only).

Please share the flyer to help spread the word!

Thank you to our members for the wonderful wine and basket donations—we appreciate your support!

Lynn Prichard

I would like to thank all the ladies that have worked tirelessly to put together our Silent Auction baskets. I can collect them at our April 9 meeting if they are completed. Please make a list of items in the basket for the auction.

We are still in need of bottles or boxes of wine and sparkling water (plain) for our event: and we will need about three to five ladies to help set up and clean up.

If you can help us out, please let me know.

Please see the event brochure below—you will find a QR code on the website to purchase your tickets. You can also purchase them at the door.

Again, thank you for your support and hope to see you for a lovely evening.



Laramie Woman's Club cordially invites you to
attend our annual
Art, Wine & Cheese
Scholarship Fundraiser
INSPIRED PALETTES—INSPIRED MINDS
Friday, April 24, 2026—5:00 to 8:30 p.m.

at the Alice Hardie Stevens Event Center
603 East Ivinson, Laramie, Wyoming
\$30 tickets (\$15 tickets for students) available at

Eppson Center for Seniors
Laramie Plains Museum Carriage House office
Wyoming Women's History House, downtown Laramie
or click on this link or QR code to Zeffy
<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/art-wine-and-cheese-2>



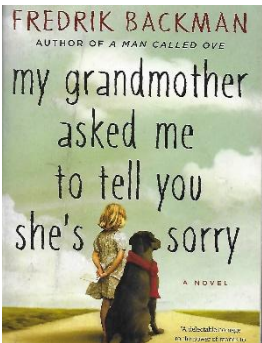
Don't miss this fun spring gathering to view & purchase the creative wares of local artists, crafters, authors at LWC's special annual event. And there will be some terrific theme baskets on Silent Auction. Make a night of it with friends for

ART, WINE and CHEESE!

*If you have questions about this event or Laramie Woman's Club,
Contact Chair, Lynn Prichard at lprichardx2@gmail.com
(Tickets can also be purchased at the door that evening.)
Cash or Check ONLY taken at the door.*

ESO (EPSILON SIGMA OMICRON)

Sharon Hand



The LWC Book Club is reading "My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry" by Fredrik Backman. The meeting will be at the Women's History House on Monday, April 13 at 10:00 a.m.

Hope to see you there!

REMINDERS & ONGOING COLLECTIONS

- **GFWC State Gift Cards & Children Books**: Bring \$15 to \$20 gift cards for raffle prizes at the GFWC Wyoming State Convention May 1-3 in Cheyenne or donate funds to the Treasurer. Donate new or gently used children's books for the Children's Museum of Cheyenne Boys & Girls Clubs (service project).
- **Out of the Darkness UW Campus Walk (Suicide Prevention)** - April 25 at 10:00 a.m. See Tammy to join the LWC team or to donate.
- **Art Wine and Cheese Gift Baskets** - Bring your wine or designated basket to support this event.
- **Hostess Sign-Up** - Several months still need volunteers.
- **Spices for Interfaith** - Bring spices to support our community partners.
- **Dimes for March of Dimes** - Save your dimes and make a difference.
- **Birthday Donation Jars** - A club tradition! Members donate during their birthday month (summer birthdays choose another month). However, monthly donations welcomed. This year's funds support Feeding Laramie.
- **Wreaths Across America** - Help us purchase veterans' wreaths (\$17 each; \$5 returns to the club).
- **NU2U Donations** - Gently used clothing, shoes, jewelry, and purses support club operations. Bring to a meeting or contact Malea or Ina. These monies support LWC operations.
- **School Success Program (Middle School)** - Collecting socks, hats, gloves and full-size shampoo & conditioner.
- **Elementary Pantry Support** - Linford, Spring Creek, and Indian Paintbrush schools need snacks, fruit, meat, milk, and cheese for student pantries.

Thank you to everyone who came to the Maker Day on Saturday, March 28th.



A good time was had by all! Yarn and fabric were distributed, Christmas projects started and good company was shared! Three beautiful baskets were assembled for the upcoming Art Wine and Cheese Scholarship Silent Auction.

The Health and Wellness Committee is open to all members who would like to share their handiwork with the greater Laramie community.

What a great bunch of women to hang out with!!

ROOTED IN LARAMIE Bernie Horst

Rooted in Laramie is in need of volunteers to help with the June 6th "Planting Day".



LWC members will be providing breakfast food at the "Planting Day" June 6. Be thinking about what food you might like to donate to this event. A sign-up sheet will be available at the April meeting or you can email me your food donation choice.

April 1 April Fools' Day
April 3 Good Friday
April 5 Easter Sunday
April 6 National Library Day



April 7 World Health Day
April 22 Earth Day
April 24 National Arbor Day
April 26 Get Organized Day