



GFWC X-JWC

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April 3 General Membership Meeting, Red Lion Inn, 11:30, \$15.00.

If you have a reservation, are unable to attend and do not cancel by Friday, March 29 please reimburse the club and send \$15 to Treasurer Phyllis Salzburg. The club is required to pay for all reserved lunches.

From Kathleen Petersen – **Guest speaker** will be Sarah Morey from Earth Side Birth and Wellness LLC.

COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH:

Children and young adult books for Safe House.

Used socks for SmartWool and new or gently used bras for Free the Girls. Will be taken to State Convention in Laramie.

Dimes taken to State Convention for March of Dimes.

FROM PRESIDENT LUCY RUSSELL

I am looking forward to our meeting this week. I hope that many will attend as it is an important meeting. We will be having our election for the next club year, I am excited about our lineup for the next year. We will be having nominations from the floor for secretary. Please consider who you all would like to nominate for this position, this is a very important position.

Our club has a lot of things happening this month. We will be collecting used bras and socks for our State President Trish Peoples projects. We will also be collecting dimes for the March of Dimes.

Our Educations & Libraries committee will be collecting children's and young adult books to donate to Safe House. Susan Reagan, on behalf of the Education and Libraries committee went around town and located all the Little Libraries in town.

Our Arts and Culture committee chair has been in contact with the Boys & Girls Club and will be collecting art from them. She hopes to be able to display the art work at our meeting on Tuesday and then will take it to the GFWC Convention at the end of April.

We are having our final fundraising activity, which is a Bunco party on April 13. Play begins at 1:00 pm. We hope to have good attendance, and this should be a lot of fun.

We are all looking forward to attending the GFWC-W convention in Laramie the end of April. We have many ladies planning on attending. I am happy to be the President of X-JWC and truly appreciate my board and all the members for their volunteer spirit.

ARTS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM, Karen Schroeder and Chris Ryan, Chairmen

X-JWC will be receiving entries from the Boys and Girls Club for the GFWC-Wyoming Youth Art Contest at State Convention! It's been a few years since our club has had entries for the contest. Thanks Karen for getting participation in the contest this year!

The bronze sculptures in downtown Cheyenne are being fitted with QR codes with information on the individual sculptures. Bring your cell phone when checking out the sculptures to get all the pertinent information on each one.

Karen visited with Randy Byers, principal architect at TDSi, about repairing/restoring/updating the Heritage Map at the Depot Plaza (southeast corner of Capitol Avenue and E Lincolnway). Progress is being made and an estimate of the cost of restoration will be forthcoming sometime in the near future. The Map was donated to the City by X-JWC in 1986. The purpose of the map is to preserve the memory of the beautiful historical buildings in the downtown area of Cheyenne.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH, Trish Peoples, Chairman

VFW Post 11453 will be having a Bicycle Roundup, May 4, 2024, 10:00 – 2:00. Bicycles will go to Veterans Rock and the Wyoming Coalition for the Homeless. If you have a bicycle to donate you can drop it off at Veterans Rock, 605 S. Greeley Highway, or call Trish for pick up. The sale will actually take place in the Town and Country Supermarket Liquors parking lot across the street from Veterans Rock on May 4.

Trish reported the Children's Museum is on track to open in the fall. The address is 1618 O'Neal.

THANK YOU TO ALL MEMBERS WHO BROUGHT DONATIONS FOR JUMP INTO JEWELS!



Loaded up and headed to Habitat!

Habitat for Humanity, *Jump into Jewels*, at My Front Door, 3260 Nationway,



Friday, April 19th, Happy Hour Sale: 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 pm. \$25

Saturday, April 20th, Champagne Brunch: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. \$25

Purchase tickets at Habitat ReStore 715 E 15th St or www.cheyennehabitat.org

Saturday, April 20th FREE ENTRY OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Come on out and shop! Items are priced from \$1 to \$10. High-end name brand jewelry, handbags and more!

EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES, Joanne Bassett, Chairman

The committee is collecting children's and young adult books for Safe House this month.

Committee member Susan Reagan has been traveling around the city to locate all the Little Free Libraries. If you need a book or want to donate books find a library close to you. See list with locations at end of the Hot Line.

LITERARY/BOOK CLUB, Mary Ann Kamla, Chairman

April 18, Thursday, 1:00 p.m. at Bev Campbell's, 2700 Summit Drive. What have you been reading lately? Come share with the group!

ENVIRONMENT COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM, Jenny Mullin and Phyllis Salzburg, Chairmen



Socks and Gently-used Bras Collections GFWC Wyoming President Trish Peoples is encouraging members to bring socks –singles or pairs, any size, color, material but **NOT NEW** – to State Conference in Laramie. Bring to the April X-JWC meeting or call Phyllis or Trish for pick up.

Socks will be sent to SmartWool for their 2nd Cut Project. The socks are recycled into dog beds.

Gently used bras will be sent to Free the Girls. The organization helps women in third-world countries get out of human trafficking situations.

Look for celebrations for **Earth Day, Saturday, April 22, 2024** and **Arbor Day, Friday, April 26, 2024.**

Recycling Reports – Remember to fill out forms available in the cups on the meeting tables with your information. Your recycling information is important!



HEALTH AND WELLNESS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM, Nancy Krois, Chairperson

At the March meeting, we learned about wellness and benefits of exercise presented by Dr. Donna Homkes. Hopefully we all have ideas for adding more exercise and activities to our daily

lives. I learned of a free chair exercise class on Tuesdays at Grace United Methodist Church near East High and Carey Junior High at 10:00 a.m.

Thank you to all of you wonderful XJWC members who worked at the Make a Blanket Day in February for the Blankets for Laramie County Kids, nonprofit organization. In May I will have fleece blankets to tie at the meeting as well as taking home. Thank you again on behalf of the Blanket group.

AND remember the State Convention is in April in Laramie (see page 5). Connect with members at our April meeting for more information on programs and carpooling.

Enjoy the energy and stimulation for ideas for personal and community benefits. Keep looking for ways to become active in community events, even for a couple of hours at a time. Breathe deeply, HUM and sing to keep our master nerves active. **HAPPY SPRING!!!!**

MEMBERSHIP, Cindy Hardesty, Chairman

REMINDER: DUES ARE DUE!! \$38 payable to X-JWC.

See Membership chairman Cindy Hardesty or Treasurer Phyllis Salzburg.

Or send to Treasurer Phyllis Salzburg, 5021 King Arthur Way, Cheyenne 82009.

Email correction for SUSAN REAGAN: spcir1974@outlook.com

APRIL MEMBER BIRTHDAYS Marcia Stewart – 1st; Kathy Petersen - 5th; Benita Thompson - 11th; Mary Ann Kamla - 12th; Karen Schroeder - 19th.

Happy birthday one all!

DONNA NEWLAND 90 YEARS YOUNG!



Bernie reads his beautiful original poem to Donna with help from granddaughter.



Katherine greeting Donna.

WAYS AND MEANS -- Karen Kent, chairman



X-JWC BUNCO FUNDRAISER! April 13, 2024, 1:00 – 3:00, \$10.00 to play, MOOSE LODGE, 1019 S. Greeley Highway. Doors open at 12:00. Play begins at 1:00.

You do not need to purchase a ticket in advance. If you would like to join in on the fun, please let Karen know at wyokents@msn.com that you are coming. This BUNCO party is going to be very laid back so if you would like to bring snacks to share, that would be great but not a necessity. I have been given some very nice items for door prizes but if you have

any gift cards you'd like to donate, I will take those as well. Come have fun, bring your friends, make some new friends and support our Community Improvement Project!!

NOMINATING COMMITTEE, Joanne Bassett, Chairman

The Committee presents the following slate of officers for the 2024 – 2025 club year:

President – Patty Benskin

President Elect– Karen Kent

Vice President – Toni Greene

Secretary – No candidate

Nominations can be made from the floor at the April meeting, with approval of nominee. Election will be held in April; installation will be conducted in May.

COURTESY, Pam Nelson and Carolyn Turbiville, Co-Chairmen

Welcome to our newest member – Marylean Hunter. She goes by the name of Mary **Lee**. She was born in Albuquerque, NM and raised in a suburb of Washington D. C. in Maryland. She graduated from high school in New Mexico and joined the Army, spending most of her 2-year stint in Germany. While serving in Germany, Mary Lee traveled to Switzerland and Austria. When she finished her military service, she returned to New Mexico and obtained a college degree. She then worked in administrative jobs and retired from the Veteran's Administration. Recently she moved to Cheyenne from Albuquerque, and is residing at Whispering Chase Independent Living.

Return of snowbirds - We look forward to having Betsy Hartman back with us this spring after her travel to Texas and Alaska.

Thanks goes to Cindy Hardesty, Membership Director, for continually updating the membership roster. This was recently done for Jennifer Mullin, who moved from 1828 Fremont Ave., #2 to 4310 Dell Range Blvd, Apt. 202.

Members - please let Courtesy know about upcoming travel you plan to take during the summer. Also, if you have significant birthdays, anniversaries or celebrations, please let Courtesy know.

BUNCO – Karen Schroeder, Chairman. Wednesday, April 10, lunch (bring your own) 11:30, bunco starting at 12:30. Moose Lodge, 1019 South Greeley Highway. Sign up sheet will be at meeting check in table.

GFWC WYOMING CONVENTION

The Convention will be held in Laramie, Wyoming, April 25-27, 2024. Hotel room block reserved at Holiday Inn until April 11. Meetings will be held at Alice Hardie Stevens Center. Registration is due by April 5 to Katherine Van Dell. Tours, great guest speakers, special GFWC guest Jolie Frankfurth, information on Wyoming club activities, awards, installation of 2024 – 2026 officers including X-JWC members Karen Kent and Katherine Van Dell! Join the fun! For information on

the conference and registration form contact X-JWC President Lucy Russell, GFWC-W President Trish Peoples, GFWC-W Vice President Karen Kent, or GFWC-W Treasurer Katherine Van Dell.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION, Patty Benskin, Chairman

A resolution will be presented at State Convention concerning the High Plains Research Station and Arboretum west of Cheyenne. The resolution will encourage members to support legislation making this very special place a state historic site. Information will be presented at Convention on the resolution and importance to GFWC-Wyoming members.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY GFWC!

FEDERATION DAY

The General Federation of Women’s Clubs is an international women’s organization dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service.

Founded in 1890, GFWC’s roots can be traced back to 1868 when Jane Cunningham Croly, a professional journalist, attempted to attend a dinner at an all-male press club honoring British novelist Charles Dickens. Croly was denied admittance based upon her gender, and in response, formed a woman’s clubs – Sorosis. In celebration of Sorosis’ 21st anniversary in 1889 Jane Croly invited women’s clubs throughout the United States to pursue the cause of federation by attending a convention in New York City.

ON APRIL 24, 1890, 63 CLUBS OFFICIALLY FORMED THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN’S CLUBS!

Some of the many accomplishments of GFWC at <https://www.gfwc.org/what-we-do/impact-accomplishments/>

LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES AROUND CHEYENNE

3139 Bluff Place	3009 Carey Ave.	13262 Cloud Mesa Dr.
313 Dayshui Ln	3412 Forest Dr.	Forest Dr. & Olive Dr.
5608 Laura Dawn Ave.	1505 Plum St.	5802 Point Bluff
828 Ranger Dr.	Story & Canyon Rd.	5818 Sycamore
Village View Ln	End of Baldwin Dr. in Greenway parking lot	