



# KALEIDOSCOPE

November 2020

## *President's Message*

*Linda Stowers*

I'm sitting here listening to the wind howl and hope this time all my leaves will end up in my neighbors' yard. This probably will not happen, but I can only wish. Tomorrow is my great-granddaughter's second birthday and I wonder where the time has gone. It seems like only yesterday she was attending meetings with me and very easy to take places. As a 2-year-old I don't attempt to take her with me now.

As we continue to cope with the Covid-19 pandemic the membership voted at the last meeting to suspend the by-law requirement to attend at least 6 meetings during the year. We will not be tracking your meeting attendance and keeping track of it this year. We want everyone to feel safe and comfortable attending meetings. I will also continue to provide Zoom at the meetings for those who feel uncomfortable attending in person.

Kudos go out to Heather Dodson and Kelly Dalton for their Christmas House efforts this year. I dropped some items off yesterday and they were busy taking pictures and sorting through the multitude of items you have submitted. Thanks for all you do. Last week we made \$955.00 at the Meadowlark Marketplace for Christmas House.

The Board continues to meet via Zoom. The only action taken was to give 3 members notice they will be dropped from membership for lack of dues payment. Membership Chair Trish Palluck has indicated 2 of them have responded and paid their dues since that notification.

Hope all of you have a safe, healthy Thanksgiving this year. I think my family will be doing a drive by dinner again.



*Corresponding Secretary*

**Brenda Hart**

Get Well

Melissa Gunn  
Angie Heimsoth  
Patti Krakow  
Brenda Laird  
Fay Zaharas  
Marsha Temte

Thank You

Dr. Edward Seidel



*Second Vice-President*

Sue Ann Shaffer

November 11, 2020

Cheyenne Country Club

11:30

Don't forget Sue Ann's Challenge to wear a scarf.

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## November Artisans of the Month Heidi Beranek and Heather Roberts

*Joyce Bailey, Historian*



Providing raffle prizes for the November General Membership meeting are Heidi Beranek and Heather Roberts.

You won't want to miss out on your chance to win one of these fabulous Wyoming-themed raffle prizes:



Heidi grew up in Longmont, Colorado but has lived in Cheyenne for 28 years. She spent the last 20 years as a Senior Account Executive and marketing consultant with KGWN-TV. As an integral part of the NewsChannel 5 family, Heidi assisted clients from a local, regional, and national level in maximizing their advertising budgets and building traffic to their business. Using her expertise, she executed campaigns from concept and creative to commercial placement. Heidi took an early retirement in March of this year.

She is currently on the Board of Directors for The Friends of Youth Alternatives.

Heidi has a husband, Mitch, two sons, and a grandson. Since retirement she has enjoyed spending more time with her husband, children, and grandchild.



Heather joined Women's Civic League in 2016 and recruited Heidi in 2018, and, together, have chaired the amazing 307 Room for the last three years.

They each have a love for Wyoming and enjoy bringing their creativity of this beautiful state to share with the Christmas House.

Photo: portion of the 307 Room in 2019

Heather is a certified Family Nurse Practitioner. She grew up in Cheyenne. She received her B.S. in Nursing from the University of Wyoming in 2005 and her Master's in Nursing in 2007. As a nurse Heather worked in women's healthcare and maternal and family health. She joined Cheyenne Skin Clinic in 2009.

Her professional affiliations include: Dermatology Nurses Association, Wyoming Nurses Association, Wyoming Council for Advanced Practice Nurses, American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, and Sigma Theta Tau.

Heather has three sons and enjoys outdoor activities. She lives in Cheyenne with her husband Jonathon.

## YEARBOOK CHANGES

No new changes were submitted for this month. Previous changes were as follows:

Yearbook Changes 2020/2021

Please make the following changes in your yearbook –

Claire Snyder – new address – 5422 Murray Hill Drive, 82009

Tracy Wilson – correct mailing address – PO Box 961, 82003

Vickie Fry – new address – 1884 Lauver Lane, 82009

Remove Kristen Riley from Co-Chair under Membership

Under Board of Directors change Sue Ann Shaffer's phone number to 631-2062 and Brenda Harts number to 634-8050

Maureen Ray's birthday is November 1 please remove the November 11<sup>th</sup> date

Heather Jensen – delete the phone number 307-514-2238

Add to the yearbook –

Reckling, Shri (Carlton) '09

307-514-4010

505 Thoroughbred Lane 82009

307-630-1767

[shridare@yahoo.com](mailto:shridare@yahoo.com)

New Members:

Deborah Fairchild (Clancy)

3975 Blue Sky Rd.

Carpenter, WY 82054

cell: 307-477-0481

email: [debfairchild8@gmail.com](mailto:debfairchild8@gmail.com)

birthdate: Jan. 09

Rosemarie Harding '20

Spouse - Farkad Aboodi

Address - 211 Doubletree Lane, 82009

Phone - 503-562-9790

### YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES

Youth and Family Services want to thank all the ladies with their "loose change" at the October luncheon. Over \$90 was collected and Shelley will purchase jewelry from the Star Fish project. This is a project from GFWC International. In January we will raffle the jewelry and money collected will go to Safe House to benefit the children. Thanks again for supporting such worthy projects. We also will be donating \$250 to Toys For Tots. If there is a pressing need, please let us know. Otherwise we will start looking for projects in January. Thanks Shelley and Pat

### MILITARY COMMITTEE

Thank you for all your very generous donations to the Veteran's Rock! Here is the list of items that we donated:  
clothing (individual): 13 sweatpants/shirt outfits, 2 pr. sweatpants, 13 sweatshirts, 8 women's long underwear sets, 8 men's long underwear sets, 24 pr. men's underwear, 94 pair of socks, 1 long-sleeved shirt, 6 men's

jackets, 6 women's jackets, 7 pair gloves, 3 hats; clothing (packaged sets): 8 packs of 3 pair of socks, 4 packs of 12 pair of socks, 4 packs of 6 men's underwear, 1 pack of 6 pair of socks, 1 pack of 10 pair of socks, 3 packs of 1 pair of socks; toiletries: 15 packs Chapstick, 14 nail clippers, 12 baby powder, 34 body lotion, 5 foot powder, 3 manicure sets, 34 individual Chapstick, 1 shampoo, 1 body wash, 6 hand sanitizer. Two members also donated a total of \$50 which the Veteran's Rock will use for special projects and needed items. Thank you everyone for your support of homeless veterans in Cheyenne!

Special thank you to Wendy Owen for collecting items at her home and to Anne Ritschard for sorting, cataloging, and packing up all the items.



### SPECIAL NEEDS

The Special Needs Committee decided last month to reach out to Special Needs Classrooms here in Cheyenne Covid19 especially affected students with disabilities. Here is the compiled list of desperately needed items for these programs. Please consider bringing items to the November 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. If you aren't attending the meeting and would like to contribute, please contact Heather Dodson. Here is the list of needed items.

- Healthy Snacks
- Laundry Detergent
- Kleenex/ Puffs Tissues (No Lotion)
- Craft Kits
- Sensory Items activities
- Dawn Dish Soap
- Dishwasher Cleaning Pods
- Pillowcases
- Seasonal Window Clings
- Puzzles of Various size and materials (No larger than 100 pieces) Preferred Wood ones
- Variety of Bingo prizes (Basic needs and fun items)

## NEEDS

Don't forget your peanut butter and jelly

## ESO BOOK CLUB

### BOOKS FOR THE YEAR 2020-21

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The meeting will be a Zoom one, so look for the invitation.

**November 16-Jane Austin Society by Natalie Jenner**

**December 14-Becoming by Michelle Obama**

**January 25-East of Eden by John Steinbeck**

**February 22-The Boy Who Saw in Colors by Lauren Robinson**

**March 15-The Aunt Who Wouldn't Die by Shirshendu Mukhopadhyay**

**April 19-The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver**

**May 17-The Shadow of the Wind by Carlos Ruiz Safon**

## INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH

International Outreach will be having a Zoom meeting at 9 am on November 9<sup>th</sup>. If you want to be on this committee you need to let Cathy McMikle know.

## GFWC-WYOMING

GFWC is decorating its Christmas tree with birds using a nature theme. Each state was asked to make an ornament in the rust/cream/ teal color. Our Sue Ann Shafer created this beautiful bird to represent Wyoming! Thank you so much Sue Ann- you make us proud! The annual Christmas party at headquarters is going virtual so all of us will get to participate. When details are known I will let everyone know. Access will be thru the member portal so get signed up if you haven't already done so!





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GFWC Women's Civic League of Cheyenne

Please keep the community posted on what we are doing with Civic League. Help tell a story by emailing or texting Linda Stowers photos! Free advertising and a greater reach than TV or Newspaper!

### **GFWC Women's Civic League of Cheyenne**

Linda Stowers, President  
Pam Hendricks, First Vice-President  
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