



2016

**GFWC X-JWC HotLine**

Carolyn Turbiville Editor



***Calendar of Events:***

General Meeting-April 12 11:30

Bunco- April 6 Lunch 11:30 Bunco 12:30 Two Doors Down

Literary-April 18

Crafts-April 25 Craft room at Pointe Frontier Painting jars to put center pieces in for May meeting.

Board meeting-April 26 10:00 a.m.-Pointe Frontier Craft Room. All members, new and mature, are welcome.

State Convention- April 22 & 23 Rock Springs, WY Registration for convention is due April 10.

Potluck in Park-June 7 11:30 a.m. Details TBA

International Convention-June 26-27 Baltimore, MD

**Dues** are due by May, be an **Early Bird** and pay them at the April meeting. Dues are \$38.

Make check for X-JWC luncheon to Radisson Hotel

**Our Members**

**We support our members!**



**New Members:**

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Returning members: Joanne Bassett and Rosemary Korte



## *Our Deepest Sympathy*

In the month of March we lost the following members, all were involved in X-JWC and were usually at the meetings. They will be missed.

Thoughts and prayers are with the families.

**Emma Fosdick** (March 9) Emma served as past president and treasurer of X-JWC and was always

there to help. She also served at the state level. I believe she carried the heaviest purse in town.

**Willie Condron** (March 29) Willie served as past president and was instrumental in helping get scholarships started for woman attending LCCC. She also served in many other capacities. She has been a member of X-JWC for 60 years and is the oldest member in the club and held the longest membership of GFWC of Wyoming. Willie will be remembered as the “wine lady” at our bunco fundraisers.

**Marcy Iverson** (March 30) Marcy served as past president and was involved in many activities of the club. She has been a member of X-JWC and GFWC-W for 59 years. She was involved with the planning of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary party last year. Marcy had a very contagious laugh.

**Carolyn Johnson**-(March 23) Carolyn is a past X-JWC member. She is a past president, served X-JWC in many ways and was active in the state organization. She hasn't been active or a member of the club for a couple of years because of failing health and had moved to Florida to be with her son.

--Carol Steinhour has been in the hospital, she is at home recuperating.

--Norine Samuelson took a fall and broke 5 bones in her ankle. Ouch!

--Shirley Hardscog recently had knee surgery and is recuperating at home.

Cards, phone calls and visits would be welcomed by all.

**Congratulations:** Kathleen Petersen has achieved a life membership in Cheyenne Kiwanis Club. Individuals who achieve life member status are those who perpetuate objects and objectives of Kiwanis International.

**Our Very Own Jenny Award Winner** You are a winner in our hearts, Phyllis!

I received a very nice email from President Babs Condon that the judges met yesterday to make the award decisions. I was not the WSR choice. I am so proud and honored to have been selected by my clubs, Wyoming and WSR as one of the 2 nominees. Thank you for all your support, kind words and crossed fingers!!! The recognition has been special but we'll still keep on working and having fun together in Federation!  
Phyllis (Salzburg)

*Website for:*  
*State GFWC [gfwcwyoming.org](http://gfwcwyoming.org)*  
*International GFWC [gfwc.org](http://gfwc.org)*

**GFWC** has made a large impact in shaping the history of the United States.! Did you know that GFWC was instrumental in the passing of child labor laws? In 1898, GFWC unanimously passed a resolution against child labor. With the help of clubwoman Jane Addams (1860-1935), child labor became a major area of concern for the Federation. In 1901, Addams headed the Federation's Child Labor Committee to work for the maintenance and improvement of child labor laws.

### **Conservation**

Please bring all used **batteries** to the meeting to be recycled. This is a change of information from the fall. Do not discard them in the trash.

**Glass can be recycled at:** WYCO 2600 Missile Dr

-Glass ***must*** be separated clear glass from colored glass. All glass containers will be accepted including beer and wine bottles. Other types of glass will not be accepted, like automotive glass, windows and light bulbs. (Information taken from Wyoming Tribune Eagle)



### **Tidbit from X-JWC Past 50 years**

“Exciting, exhilarating, exhausting” were the president’s words to express the years 1984 and 1985 as work was began toward the CIP project if a bronze map of the historical area of Cheyenne as part of a new parking complex at 16<sup>th</sup> and Capitol Streets. The cost seemed insurmountable, but the club’s talented and dedicated women wrote, directed and produced a musical called “The First 100 Years,” started an “Adopt-a-Brick” program and raffled a 1930 automobile to raise funds. Next, it was learned that 20,000 100-year-old paving bricks, weighing a total of 60,000 pounds, had been donated by the Union Pacific Railroad for the beautification project. But they were in Laramie, Wyoming, fifty miles away! Members donned work clothes, enlisted the help of family and friends-and a trucking firm-and got the job done.

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### **President**

I have been teased about the 80’s 90’s group of ladies being my favorites and I won’t try to deny it. I am in awe of these members. When I am in pain I think of them and tell myself that they continue to forge forward regardless of their pain. When I get mad at myself for forgetting something or I make a mistake, I think of them and see them laugh because they forgot something or did something silly. When I am confused or have questions I know I can go to one of them and they will point me in the right direction in a calm and respectful way. I could go on and on with examples as to why I love being with them. I respect them to the max and I hope and pray that I will grow older being at least half as strong as they are.

Saying thank you can be a difficult thing to do. Doing so means admitting that you are in another’s debt. I am admitting that there are many members I am in debt to. I am not all powerful because humans need the help of others to survive. The reality is that the human race is co-dependent. We cannot live life alone. We are constantly relying on each other for all kinds

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of resources, both physical and emotional. When I say thank you I am acknowledging that I have received something from another human being. This is my thank you to Willie, Marcy, Emma, and Carolyn J. Words cannot begin to express the sorrow for losing these role models, but what I gained from them will always be a part of my life. *So long* for now to Willie our wine lady who kept us straight, Marcy who was given the greatest giggle and positive attitude, Emma the lady with the heaviest purse who was always kind to everyone, and Carolyn J who made one of her priorities to purchase Christmas gifts for a needy family. They all were Past President leaders of X-JWC and many other positions within the club and state. There is no doubt these four ladies will be missed and **THANK YOU LADIES!**



Bev Campbell, X-JWC President

**International Affairs** Trish Peoples

If you would like to fill an Operation Smile bag, here are the items.

Small shampoo (.85 to 1.4 oz size, screw-on top only)

Small comb (no rat tails)

New wash cloth

Bar of soap (small hotel size)

Travel-sized toothpaste (at least 6 months)

Small stuffed animal (Beanie Baby® size)

8-pack box of non-toxic crayons

Thin 8.5" x 11" coloring book

Small square mirror (approximate size 3"x 3")

Please bring to April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Darlene Elizabeth Teichert Evans** was born December 20, 1925 in a little town in Nebraska; Madrid, a town of about 459 people. She went to school there through



the 10th grade. The family farm was sold in 1941 and Darlene followed her parents who had moved to Wyoming earlier. Darlene's uncle who lived here and worked for the railroad told Darlene's parents there was work to be had in Cheyenne. This was during the Depression, so finding work was crucial.

When Darlene lived on the farm in Nebraska, they had a Shetland Pony and another horse.

The kids from town would come out to visit, to ride and "drown out ground squirrels". She had a pet lamb that was given to her by a sheep rancher. She said the lamb didn't like her girlfriend and it would chase her girlfriend all around. They would sell the wool to get money to travel to visit her grandparents in Cheyenne.

Darlene finished high school in 1943, graduating from Cheyenne High School where she had attended for 2 years. When Darlene was 16 years old she started work at the Owl Inn. During the interview, her prospective boss kept saying "well since you are 18", even though Darlene corrected him a couple times, he still insisted she was 18 years old (you had to be 18 in order to work after 10:00 at night). She said she worked as a car hop, but she didn't have roller skates or wear a mini skirt; she dressed in a military type outfit since it was war time. Darlene worked there for 3 years.

Darlene met her husband to be, Ernie Evans, when she had come to visit her grandfather. She had met Juanita Evans Pennington, Ernie's sister earlier. She met Ernie on 9th Street on her grandfather's porch. She said they only had 4 dates before he went into the Army in 1941. Their courtship was mostly through letters; he even proposed by letter. She was 17 when he proposed, but her mother wanted her to be 18 before they married. She got her engagement ring for graduation from high school. Ernie came home on leave in 1944. Her mother went with him to get the marriage license as Darlene was too young to get it.

After she and Ernie married, they moved just about every 5 years. They lived in South Carolina where her first child, Glen, was born. They moved back to Cheyenne in 1945 and Ernie worked for United Airlines and the Air National Guard. He also was a crew chief on the Wyoming Governor's airplane.

They moved to Memphis Tennessee in 1958, then to Georgia. They moved to Utah in 1966 where she worked at Hill Air Force Base as a procurement clerk. She and Ernie both retired in 1976. She said she "worked under protest" and was happy to retire. She and Ernie lived in Utah for 22 years, living in Kaysville and Layton. When they moved back to Cheyenne in 1988, she had been gone from Wyoming for 30 years.

Darlene joined the Eastern Star in 1973 while she lived in Utah. She said it took up a lot of her time. After she moved back to Cheyenne, her friend Iris Trospen got her to join X-JWC in 1993. She was secretary for 2 years and participated in most of the committees, but didn't want to go through the channels to become President. Darlene's mother, Wauneta Teichert also belonged to the Women's Club here in Cheyenne. Darlene lost her mother when she was 98 years old.

Darlene has many relatives who live close by here in Cheyenne. Though she lost her sister in 1980, she still has a younger brother in Laramie, Herman Teichert. Juanita Evans Pennington is her sister-in-law and she lives just a couple houses away. Her three children though, don't live too close by other than her son Glen who lives in Pine Bluffs. Her daughter Dianne lives in Hoover, Alabama and son Paul lives in Duluth, Georgia. She has 7 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren and 10 great great grandchildren. They live all over the country. In 2012 or 2013 all the relatives had gathered here.

Darlene used to crochet, make quilts and do lots of crafts. She liked to go fishing and when the kids were little they would go camping and would camp out in "a big ole" Army tent. The kids would line up on the floor in their sleeping bags. She used to square dance, belonged to the Campers' Club, a dance club and a pinochle club here in Cheyenne.

Darlene lost her husband in 2014, he was 94 years old. They had just celebrated their 70th year of marriage in January and he died in April. Darlene plans to stay in her comfy home which she and Ernie bought in 1987 for as long as she can. She and Juanita have Sunday dinners together which they've been doing for the past 20 to 25 years. Even though Juanita is her sister-in-law, Darlene says Juanita is more of a sister.

Darlene is still involved with the Eastern Star and with the Cancer Assistance Association which supports the Candle Lights for Kids and the Currie Fund. The Currie Fund helps with providing medications and groceries for people in need here in Laramie County. She has been involved with Grace United Methodist Church as a charter member since it was formed in 1955. There are only 5 charter members left. Darlene has been the Christine Circle Treasurer since 1994.

It's interesting that when I first spoke to Darlene about writing her story, she said there really wasn't much to tell. But as you can see, Darlene has a lot of

interesting stories to tell, and I'm sure there are many more. Once again we see one of our "senior" X-JWC members as someone who is involved in their family and their community and who is making a difference.

Written March 2016 Kathleen Peteresen

**Please help Wyoming State Museum Volunteers**

We are having a Garage Sale August 6.

When you are doing your Spring housecleaning, please think of us and save items for us. Please let Carolyn Turbiville know if you have items.

Money from the garage sale supports the Wyoming State Museum, which helps all of us. Thank you for your support. Carolyn Turbiville