

THE CHEYENNE ROUNDUP



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CHEYENNE



CLUB OFFICERS

- President Terry Udell
- Vice-President Tim Bolin
- Secretary Helen Lovett
- Treasurer Loretta Humphrey

Committee Chairpersons

- Membership Donna Logan
- Hospitality Cindy & Howard Last
- Program Barbara Guilford
- Publicity Tony Adams
- Newsletter David Larsen
- Historian Vanda Edington & Barbara Guilford

Members responsible for.....

- Directory Judy Eatmon
- Logo Renewal John Kaiser

CALENDAR of EVENTS

Meetings:

February 11—Dr. Tatiana Steele, *From Russia to Cheyenne*. Dr. Steele, a dentist, tells about cultural surprises as she adjusts to her new home and business in Cheyenne.

March 11—Kathleen Petersen. A former Peace Corps Volunteer tells of her recent trip to *Kyrgystan*.

April 15—Lyn E. Ferguson, a former employee of School District #1 in Cheyenne gives a presentation on her trip to the *Galapagos Islands*.

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Exchanges:

2013

Exchange with Eastern Washington/Idaho (May 15-22, 2012) contact Tim Bolin tjbolin@msn.com

Events:

Board Meeting:

April 11 at 2:00 PM - Laramie Co. Library-Willow Room

**Pot Luck Dinner & General Membership Meetings are at
St. Paul's Lutheran Church - 19th St. & House Ave.
at 6 PM unless other wise noted.
Please use west parking lot.**



Terry's Tidbits

2013

I was overwhelmed at the number of our members who came to the meeting in January on one of the coldest nights of the year! I expected a small gathering; instead we had a very good crowd, a great variety for the potluck and an exceptional program presented by Maureen Andreas. Thanks to Barbara Guilford for arranging it.

Our February meeting should be interesting as well. Donna Logan, our new Membership Director, has some new ideas she will be implementing.

At our January Board Meeting at the Library I was asked to investigate our tax status with the IRS. I have researched information provided by FFI and have spent quite a few hours reading through FFI guidelines, finally deciding that I need some guidance on this. In checking with the Wyoming Secretary of State's office, I find that they have no record of our club. So I take it that it has never been registered as a non-profit organization.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 11 at 2:00 PM in the Library Willow Room.

In Friendship,
Terry

TREASURER REPORT

JANUARY 17, 2013

Balance in the Checking Account as of: November 12, 2012 \$9,335.05

INCOME

Dues Collected	\$490.00	
Christmas Dinner	842.00	
Interest Earned	.79	
Brunie Naylor Memorial Fund	25.00	
	TOTAL INCOME	\$1,357.79

EXPENSE

Ck#1601 Reimburse David Larson/New Website	\$194.14	
Ck#1602 Plains Hotel/Christmas Dinner	835.69	
Ck#1603 Cindy Last/Candy for Christmas Dinner	10.00	
Ck#1604 Friendship Force International/Brochures	15.00	
Ck#1605 Cindy Last/Christmas Photos Supplies	20.00	
	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$1,074.83
	BALANCE IN CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$9,618.01

Bruni Naylor Memorial Fund	\$2,230.00	
Contribution	25.00	
	TOTAL	\$2,255.00

Regional Conference Funds
To be held for Future Conference \$1,085.48

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta Humphrey
Treasurer

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Jan. 14, 2013

President Terry Udell called the meeting to order at 6:48 pm following a pot luck dinner.

Guests present were Elaine and John Lucas, Jewel Tomanek and her friend Billie and Maureen Andreas, our guest speaker.

Old Business

- Previous meeting was the F.F. Christmas dinner held at the Plains Hotel in December with no business taking place.

New Business

- Barbara Guilford is the new Program Chairman, Donna Logan is the new Membership Chairman and Helen Lovett is the new Secretary.
- An invitation to visit Panama May 15-24, 2013. Michael Wall is the Exchange Director. Cost is \$1595.00 excluding International airfare. There is interest in starting a F.F. Club in this area. Trip includes a visit to the Panama Canal, boat travel through the locks, view ongoing construction to expand canal for larger ships, visit Panama City and Hispanic ruins, visit Santiago, a seldom toured city, sugar plantations, rum factories and fishing villages. Travel will be by van. Hotels are very nice, one being a resort location. Meals will be an extra expense.
- Varel, Germany has an exchange focusing on language. Go to www.FriendshipForceCheyenne.org and click on EXCHANGE CATALOG listed under INTERNATIONAL on the left side of page. Click on purple Europe. Dates are June 1-16, 2013.
- Explore Canada (must be the Alberta, Canada "prairie to the Rockies" trip) is another exchange this summer for those still interested in Canada. Go to www.FriendshipForceCheyenne.org and click on EXCHANGE CATALOG listed under INTERNATIONAL on left side of page. Click on green North America. The dates are Aug. 16-28, 2013.
- Betty DeMersseman is retiring as Field Representative for our region. Barbara Guilford has volunteered for the position.
- Tim Bolin shared information on an exchange with the Eastern Washington/Northern Idaho club set for mid-May 2013. This club would like to come to Cheyenne during the summer of 2013. Tim offered to be the Exchange Director for this trip, bringing cost information to the February meeting, since there are 19 people interested.

- Marilyn Pettit, out-going Membership chairman, expressed concern that F.F. members should be checking in with non-attending members to keep everyone up to date. Betty Lee is very ill, Terry Foley has been ill and is departing for Puerto Rico soon, Joanie Hughes hasn't been well and husband, Dick, has lost most of his eye sight.
- Ed Warsaw shared that Sylvia was in hospital for 2 weeks and on the day she was transferred to Cheyenne Health Care for 5 weeks of rehab, Ed entered the hospital with a swollen right leg. He spent a week receiving infusions followed with another week of infusions at home. Sylvia returned home around August 1, 2012. She is still a fighter, taking some sips of apple juice but reliant on the feeding tube. She enjoys reading and watching T.V. and very much enjoyed their 49th Wedding Anniversary Open House.
- Carolyn Webber reports that a move into their new home took place Dec. 21, 2012. The garage and sunroom are enclosed with siding only on the north side of home. She was thrilled to be in her new home with new furniture just in time for Christmas. An Open House for F.F. members will be announced at a later date.
- Board meeting which is required every 3 months will be held 1:30 on January 17, 2013 in the Willow Room at the Cheyenne Library.
- Howard Last volunteered to audit the F.F. books.
- **Program**
 - Maureen Andreas spoke about her recent Goodwill visit to Costa Rica hosted by her church, Family Harvest. She spent 7 days working 8-10 hours to help the one building school, home and mission meet their needs. Maureen, L.C.S.D. # 1 school bus driver, says life is too short not to enjoy the ride and refuses to act her age. She is often caught wearing a bright red clown nose simply to catch someone off guard and brighten their day. Pictures of her trip were passed amongst the members including a photo of her wearing red nose and 2 Costa Rican clowns.
- **Conclusion**
 - F.F. applications are available from Terry Udell.
 - Currently we have 13 F.F. members delinquent with their dues.
 - Terry Udell asks everyone to use and contribute to the newsletter provided on the internet.
 - Visiting guest, Jewel Tomanek, is a retired F.F. member. She participated in many out-going and in-coming exchanges taking out time for 2 years to teach in Mongolia.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Quarterly Board meeting for January 17, 2013

President Terry Udell called the meeting to order at 1:34 pm. Others in attendance were Tim Bolin - Vice President, Cindy and Howard Last - Hospitality, Donna Logan - Membership, Loretta Humphrey –Treasurer, Helen Lovett – Secretary, Judy Eatmon – Directory, and John Kaiser – Logo.

- Treasurer reported a checking account balance of \$9,618.01 less reserve account balances of the Bruni Naylor Memorial Fund \$2,255.00 and the Regional Conference Funds (to be held for Future Conference) \$1,085.48 leaves funds available for use at \$6,277.53.
- Another checking account, located at the First Interstate Bank, is used for out-going and incoming exchanges. Account statements are mailed to Carolyn Webber. Jan Behrens will be auditing the books and reporting back to the club.
- The Secretary is new and has no information on the previous board meeting.
- The charter with F.F.International was renewed early November 2013 @ \$525.00.
- Discussion about our Tax status resulted in Terry Udell agreeing to contact Jim Webber then will contact the F.F.International for clarification. Tim Bolin reports that we do have a Tax I.D. Number.
- Two additional members paid dues following the regular meeting on Monday bringing delinquent memberships down to 11. Policy was made a year ago that members not-in-good-standing may not vote on club issues, participate in out-going exchanges, may not host or participate in group travel locally. Any member not paid in full will be referred to as Inactive. They are welcome to attend meetings.
- Once a membership becomes delinquent, a reminder phone call is made. 2nd step is to mail forms to 1)update personal information and 2) mark active (payment required) or inactive status along with a self-addressed stamp envelope for quick return to Donna Logan.
- Judy Eatmon will provide directories of active and inactive members along with a calendar at February 2013 meeting.
- Judy Eatmon will meet with John Naylor for clarification on proper handling of the Bruni Naylor Memorial Fund.
- Donna Logan volunteered to begin the “Sharing & Caring” duties such as sending sympathy cards and celebrating birthdays and anniversaries at monthly meetings.
- Next meeting set Thursday, April 11 @ 2 pm in the Willow Room.
- Meeting adjourned at 3 pm.

DERBYSHIRE, UK FRIENDHIP FORCE LEARNS ABOUT THE AMERICAN WEST

Nineteen English ambassadors from Derbyshire, United Kingdom visited Cheyenne, Wyoming, August 15-22, 2012. Our program was designed for showing off Cheyenne as an icon of the American West. Our visitors had missed Cheyenne Frontier Days, which easily impresses visitors with our community spirit and can-do attitude. We turned instead to our history to explain how the west was won.

On Friday, August 17 we visited the **Union Pacific Railroad Steam/Heritage Locomotive facility**. Our tour was particularly timely in as much as the railroad is celebrating the sesquicentennial of the Pacific Railway Act signed by Abraham Lincoln on July 1, 1862. Our tour guides, Mary Nystrom and Jim Leonard, met us in the parking lot near the two buildings that are on the National Historic Register. We snapped photos before proceeding inside to get an introduction.



Mary informed us that we would not see many of the refurbished trains that were out traveling the country during 2012 to celebrate Lincoln's vision. Instead we were each given an information packet. She introduced Jim and showed us photos and maps. She discussed the history and importance of the railroad in providing a quick route to the west and development of the cattle industry and homesteading in the latter part of the 1800's. Our guides emphasized the dedication of the Union Pacific RR to historic preservation. Then she began to tell us about working for the Union Pacific.

Today there are ten full time employees in the steam shops. There were 19,000 men employed at the Union Pacific Railroad at peak employment during World War II. Good jobs brought men from surrounding areas including farms to help with war efforts. The safety rules given to new employees were written in nine languages. The steam shops employed 3,000 men who worked in three shifts, 24 hours a day. Jack Holland, Senior Machinist and a native of Iowa, was busy at work near **#900082, the rotary snow plow.**

Overcoming the severe winter weather conditions on the High Plains led to production of the snow plow in 1971. The plow weighs 284,500 lbs. and has a blade wheel that is charged by a turbo engine for 2,500 gross horsepower. Pusher locomotives are required and controlled from the plow. This plow is used throughout the UP system as needed. A tool and bunk car travels with it.



Art Lochman on #844

Next we passed outside to see the **round house**, built in 1937, and many older trains that will eventually be restored. There were trains that are used for parts parked inside one of the two buildings where trains are repaired. During peak employment there were 47 stalls for workers. Their work stations held all manner of oversized tools in a wooden cart. The whole scene was evocative of an earlier time when our country was on the move to win the war and provide environmentally responsible transportation for its citizens. **Gordan Dexter**, an aerospace engineer and science teacher from Derbyshire, elaborated about trains as he pointed to the tracks.

Our earliest locomotives were imported from the **George Stephenson factory in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, UK** and that is probably the reason why we used the same rail-road gauge (4ft.8 1/2 in.) for our tracks. Those early locomotives were too heavy and under-powered for American needs; and eventually our own steam locomotive development led to bigger trains that do not exist in Great Britain.

“Big Boy,” the world’s largest steam locomotive weighed 1,208,750 lbs and had a length of 132 ft. It could travel 80 mph and had a 4-8-8-4 wheel configuration. It consumed 100,000 pounds of water and 22,000 pounds of coal per hour. It was capable of pulling 3500 tons over the Wasatch Mts. in Utah. One of the “Big Boys” can be viewed at Holliday Park on East Lincolnway in Cheyenne.

The U.P. **Challenger** was designed by the U.P. with a 4-6-6-4-wheel arrangement. This “articulated” or hinged arrangement allowed the train to go through curves more easily. 105 Challengers were built for fast freight and passenger service; that is, 70 miles per hour.

The last steam locomotive built for the UPRR in 1944, is used as an ambassador of goodwill. This engine, **844**, has run hundreds of thousands of miles making appearances at celebrations throughout the U.S. Support cars travel with the special trains. One of the support cars, the maintenance tool car, was built in 1962 by the St. Louis Car Company. The car was named **Art Lockman** in 1992 and carries tools, parts, machines, lubricants and numerous other items to maintain and repair the steam locomotives. Mr. Lockman retired as round-house foreman after working 43 years for the Union Pacific. I knew Art and had interviewed him last year.

Today the Union Pacific Corporation links 23 states in the western 2/3 of the country by rail. Union Pacific’s diversified business includes agricultural products to all major West & Gulf coast ports to eastern gateways and also connects with Canada and Mexico.



Watch the Rotary Plow in action:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=frBh5vO_2go



Our guests were surprised to see the length and frequency of the coal trains leaving Wyoming (every twenty minutes when I timed them) on the day they took a trip to **Fort Laramie**. They told us about their home in **Derbyshire, a World Heritage Site**, for the industrial revolution really began there. Gordan Dexter told me that he had studied the 1837 Derby-Leeds mainline near his home in Derbyshire. So our guests really knew quite a lot about trains—though not the giants we had here on the Plains. To top that off they also knew a lot about **William F. Cody** or **Buffalo Bill**. They filled out the Wyoming map quiz with ease and hiked as far as any of the locals at **Vedauwoo** recreation area. So finally, I told them that Miss Frontier of 2012, Chloe Pfoor, was born and raised in Stanton, England.

Jack Holland, Senior Machinist
at UP's Round House

Then---- on the day they left on the bus trip to **Jackson** and **Yellowstone Park**, they asked me to take them to see **BIG BOY** at **Holliday Park** one last time.

Barbara Jo Guilford, September 12, 2012

For more info on the UP's Steam Engine Operations:
www.up.com/aboutup/special_trains/steam/index.shtml



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Putting More "Friendly" in Cheyenne Friendship Force

Cheyenne Friendship Force is going to try and be more membership friendly this year. At our February meeting I will be passing out information sheets for members to put their birthday and anniversary dates on. I don't need the year unless you want to. Each month we will be celebrating that month's birthdays at the monthly meeting. I will also send out birthday cards and anniversary cards. I would like an e-mail or you can call me, when a members is ill, in the hospital, or has a death in the family or maybe just a cheer up card.. I hope this will let our members know we care. If you aren't at the February meeting, I will contact you and get this information. Membership Chair: Donna Mae Logan e-mail: donnalogan@msn.com phone cell: 307-221-2098.

Donna Mae Logan

*Know someone who may be interested in joining
Friendship Force of Cheyenne?*

2013 Renewal or New Member - The Friendship Force of Cheyenne

Mail to: Friendship Force, c/o Donna Logan, 253 Abby Rd. Cheyenne, WY, 82007

Payable to: "The Friendship Force of Cheyenne"

Date _____ New _____ Renewal _____

Name(s) _____

Name Badge Name(s) *Please Print*

Street Address

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone Number _____

Cell Phone Number(s) _____

E-Mail(s) _____

(FF International would like your E-Mail Address to send Exchange Information directly to you.

If you do not want them to have your E-Mail address please check here _____).