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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE **KIWANIS CLUB OF CHEYENNE**

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UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Thurs. May 7: Regular Club Meeting| Kiwanis Foundation Grant Recipients

Thurs. May 14: Regular Club Meeting| Distinguished Service Cross Recipient - Barry Gasdek

Sat. May 16: Highway Clean up and Sloans Lake Clean up

Thurs. May 21: Regular Club Meeting| Business Meeting - Slate of Officers

Thurs. May 28: Regular Club Meeting| Living Waters International

Thurs. June 18: Regular Club Meeting| Business Meeting

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Dan Emmns
- 5 Kristin Turner
- 6 Brian Lenell
- 12 George Costopoulos
- 15 Claire Ley
- 15 Renee Brower
- 18 Brian Lovett
- 18 Lindsey Freeman
- 18 Quintin Pope
- 19 Diana Oliger
- 22 Stacy Zastoupil
- 22 Joshua Mosley
- 23 Patrick Rudd
- 24 Jim O'Connor
- 28 Lisa Maney
- 29 Bob Moen
- 30 Adam Bourlier
- 31 Paul Stenback



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The Kiwanis Club of Cheyenne Meets Every Thursday at Noon at Little America

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Club Announcements are a time to share Kiwanis-related events and Club approved activities.

Lisa Trimble:

Thank you to Olivia Samson for greeting members today.

Thank you to everyone who came out and met with the Key Club Advisors. Thank you to the members that work with the schools and the Key Clubs.

The Club received a request for the use of our tables. Looking for a volunteer to haul the table trailer on May 21. Let Lisa know if you are able to help.

Phil Van Horn:

Reminder for our 50/50 golden raffle tickets. Your purchase helps support the Foundation and the Club. The team needs help selling tickets on Fridays at Platte Valley Bank locations and on Thursday during Club meetings. Let Phil know if you are able to help.



Larry Walters:

Slate of Officers for Club year 2026-2027

2nd year board members:

- Kristen Custis
- Margurite Herman
- Rick Houser
- Bill Pannell
- Rick Wright

1st year board members:

- Mary Brown
- Issac Lloyd
- Eric McDonald
- Stephanie Kofron

Officers:

Immediate Past President: Lisa Trimble

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Noah Harris:

Incoming Foundation Board Members:

- Laura Munari
- Bob Curtis
- Kristen Turner

Denise Newell:

Pancake Chair meeting next Tuesday at 5pm at the Warehouse.

Patrick Brady:

Still cleaning out the office at the warehouse. He found a bunch of foreign coins. He needs some help identifying coins and determining what to do with them. Let Patrick know if you can assist him.

Tim Sheppard:

Sign up sheet for Roadside and Sloans Lake Cleanup is going around. Sign up to help on May 16th at 9am either at Sloans Lake or the roadside on Hynds Blvd.

Tom Roberts:

THANK YOU **Jim O'Conner** (and Phillis), **Bob Monger**, and **Jeff Gore** for helping fill the usual food bags this week plus 800 more for the new summer program.

Kiwanian of the Month

Kiwanis Club of Cheyenne
May Kiwanian of the Month



Eric McDonald
Member Since Feb 2023.

Born in Buffalo, WY, Eric earned his Associates in Engineering from Casper College, and his Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering from UWYO!
Owner/Founder of CHP Paint Co. since 2014
Favorite Kiwanis memory is serving up pancakes with his whole family!



Current Facilities Chair on our Board of Directors

Kids Need Kiwanis! CheyenneKiwanis.org

Eric was born in Buffalo, Wyoming and attended Natrona County High School. His first job was sweeping shop floors for \$7 per hour. Eric has lived in Casper, Laramie and Loveland. As a child, Eric traveled the nation playing the youth USTA tennis circuit. He and his brother were both the top seeds in their age divisions in the Intermountain region (6 state region), which was very uncommon for a family from Wyoming. He and his brother both won the #1 singles title in high school a few times.

Eric joined Kiwanis in 2023 after working at Chuck Tyler's house a few years back. Kiwanis is a great place to network and meet community members.

Eric favorite dinner is surf and turf buffet at the Iberostar resort in Mexico and his favorite dessert....all you can eat prawns, lobster tail, crab legs... from the surf and turf buffet.

Fun Fact from the month and year he was born (March 1988): Rick Astley's "Never Gonna Give You Up" was in 2nd week at #1 on Billboard Top 100, followed by Michael Jackson's "Man in the Mirror", and Good Morning Vietnam was #1 movie. Pontiac announces the end of the Fiero (only in production 84-88).

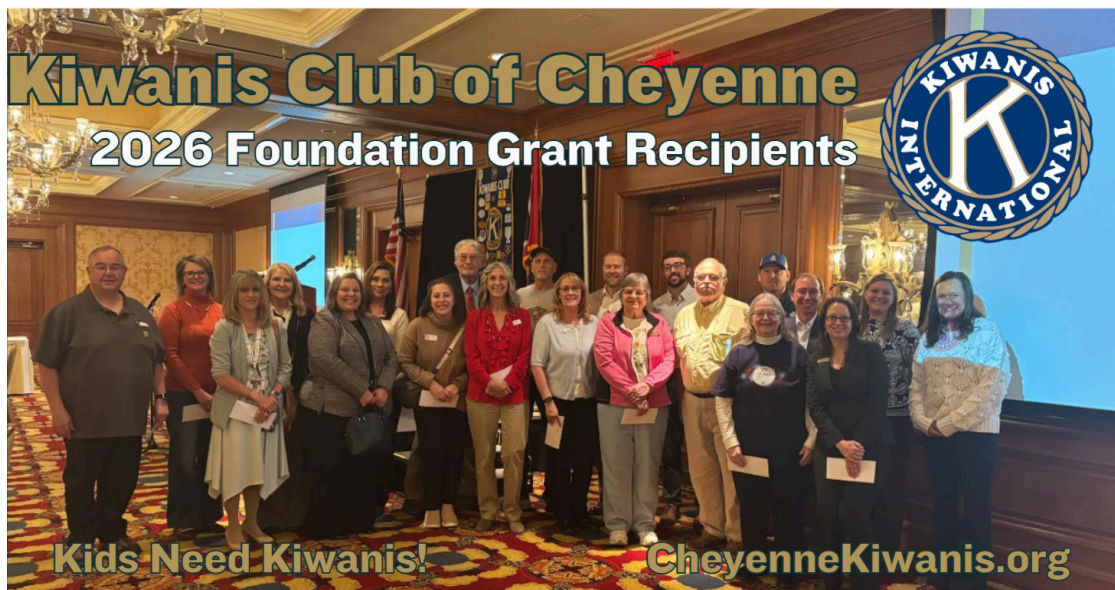
PROGRAM

Foundation Grant Recipients

This year the Foundation funded 24 organizations with \$90,000 in grants.

These grants went to the following organizations to support youth programs and services in our community:

Big Brothers Big Sisters
Child Evangelism Fellowship
Threads of Hope
Jason's Friends Foundation
Girls on the Run WY
Community Action of Laramie County Inc
Raising Readers in Wyoming
Friday Food Bag Foundation
After School for Kids
Unaccompanied Students Initiative
Cheyenne Classical Academy
Lions of Wyoming Foundation
Make A Wish of Wyoming
Wyoming Pickleball Association
Cheyenne All City Children's Chorus
STARBASE
Cheyenne Field Archers Scholarship Foundation
STRIDE Learning Center
Trail Life Troop WY-0316
Cheyenne JOAD
Cheyenne Rifle and Pistol Club
Cheyenne Symphony Orchestra
Wyoming FFA Foundation
Cheyenne Children's Museum



Announcements

George Costopoulos:

South High Key Club is doing a food drive for the South High Food Pantry. Members can bring food donations for the food pantry

Kautzman Fundraiser

South FCA is planning a dinner & silent auction, if you would like to donate silent auction item or monetary donation to help with the food please contact Ms. Amber 635-2831 or Ms. Nikki 771-2447

February 28, - 12 - 1:30 pm @ South HS
entertainment provided by South HS band
Dinner \$8/person & Silent Auction
All proceeds go to the Kautzman Family
(they lost everything in a fire in December 2025)

Kautzman Family Fundraiser

Let's Fill the Shelves Together!

PLEASE HELP US REPLENISH THE SOUTH HIGH FOOD PANTRY

Food insecurity affects so many in our community, but together, we can help alleviate hunger. **Cash donations accepted!**

What We're Looking For:

- Rice Krispie Treats
- Beef Jerky
- Chip Bags
- Pop Tarts
- Trail Mix
- Fruit Snacks
- Granola Bars
- Jif Peanut Butter to Go
- Cup of Noodles
- Microwavable Mac & Cheese
- Ritz Crackers
- Individual Size:
 - Applesauce
 - Juice Boxes
 - Pudding Cups
 - Fruit Cups

Kiwanis Foundation Presents:

CALCUTTA AUCTION

THURSDAY JUNE 18TH
AT AIRPORT GOLF CLUB
4801 CENTRAL AVE

EVENT STARTS AT 5:00

Free Appetizers | Cash Bar
Raffles & Prizes | Chipping Contest

Proceeds support Kiwanis charitable programs.

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ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT 2026

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - EVERYONE WELCOME!

FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2026
AIRPORT GOLF COURSE - CHEYENNE, WY
9:00 AM SHOTGUN START - LUNCH TO FOLLOW

\$500 PER TEAM (4 PLAYERS)
GREEN FEES • CART • LUNCH INCLUDED!

4-PERSON SCRAMBLE TOURNAMENT
MUSIC • RAFFLES • PRIZES • FUN FOR ALL!
Proceeds Benefit Community Youth Programs!

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- \$500 EXCLUSIVE HOLE SPONSOR**
 - Tee Sign & Recognition
- \$250 SUPPORTING SPONSOR**
 - Program Mention

IMPORTANT DEADLINE!
FORMS DUE BY FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2026!
No late entries will be accepted!

REGISTER NOW!

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AGENCY
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BIRTHDAYS/GUESTS/PIG



Remember you have to have your name tag to win!

\$109

Pat McGuire

Not Present to WIN!
PIG ROLL!



- Welcome guests !
Tim Sheppard introduced Andrea Weule, incoming District Governor



Happy
Birthday



Kristen Turner
Brian Lenell

31 years of combined service

Download the Kiwanis Club Runner app



HAPPY DOLLARS/HIGH FIVES

Brian Lenell: Birthday Check

Lorrell Bellotti: Thankful Thursday for the Wyoming Breast Cancer Initiative was a huge success, thank you! Her goal for this year was exceeded by \$7,404. They raised \$48,400 this year.



Bob Monger: His granddaughter graduated from medical school in Indianapolis.

Isaac Lloyd: For the Foundation - great work with all the grants.

For his parents who are on vacation for the first time since their honeymoon without their kids.



Keith Turner: Granddaughter is graduating from UW in May. She has been student teaching in Cheyenne - she is the new FFA advisor.

Carter Furness: Inducted into the Club a few weeks ago. Next week having a Ribbon Cutting with the Chamber.



Dave Niemann: For the great work of the Foundation. Saturday and Sunday he is playing at the Atlas theatre for the silent movie.

THANK YOU TO OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS!

