

Idaho P.E.O.

Chapter House Newsletter

Our goal is to share, educate, enlighten, and welcome each of you to our Idaho treasure, The Idaho P.E.O. Chapter House.

APRIL 2020

A Moment In Time

This health crisis, a moment in time in which we find ourselves struggling to find our way. But find our way we will, by drawing on our individual strengths, that of our families, and by coming together as communities, a state, a nation, as citizens of the world.

And, as Sisters.

We send you greetings and love from the Chapter House. Like you, we're all reeling from the changes coming so quickly as we are in the grips of this crippling health crisis. Our priority, of course, is the health and safety of our Chapter House campus community of residents and the staff members that serve them.

You all are an important part of our community, too, and we want to let you know what we are doing to take care of one another and to help slow the spread of this virus.

Each board member - per our President's request - has adopted a resident and we are calling 2-3 times a week to see how they are coping, if they need anything, and just to visit and catch up. We

imagine your Chapter Members are reaching out to each other, as well. With early planning, strategic sourcing, and a little luck, we have plenty of supplies on hand for necessities and our health and safety. We have put in place even more rigorous practices and procedures for cleaning and disinfecting all high-touch surfaces in the Chapter House and have a multi-tiered response to the ever-changing demands imposed upon us with the march of the virus. We continue to carefully follow local, state, and federal safety warnings and mandates, erring on the side of caution in our decisions.

This includes restricting any visitors to the Chapter House and now, under Governor Little's "stay-at-home" order, to our campus.

You are all in our thoughts and ask that we be in yours. We appreciate your well wishes and the creative ways in which you've stayed in contact with us. It encourages us. Thank you.

Lovingly in P.E.O.,
The Chapter House Board of Trustees



Introducing Two New Chapter House Board Members

Two new gals have joined our Chapter House Board of Trustees. We are excited to have our Board complete (for a few months!) at twelve.



Diane Weber

Diane and her husband Tom are natives of Wisconsin, living for 30+ years at Manitowoc, WI, on the shores of Lake Michigan. Diane worked 43 years as a hospital nurse, serving in a variety of capacities. Tom served the community as a policeman.

After retirement they decided to move to Boise where their daughter, son-in-law, and only granddaughter reside. Diane reports they really like the weather here. Their son and daughter-in-law live in Seattle, not too far away.

A friend from Wisconsin submitted Diane's name to Boise P.E.O. Chapters. She was welcomed into Chapter BU, Boise, in October 2017. Besides being an active member of her new chapter, Diane keeps busy in her church, gardening, walking, and biking, really enjoying the Boise foothills. Her inside hobby is knitting.

Diane reports, *"I hope to further my involvement in P.E.O. and this community of P.E.O. by volunteering my services in any way that is needed."*



Karen Hodge

Karen is an Idaho native. She is a member of Chapter A, Boise, where her mother-in-law, Helen Hodge, has been an active P.E.O. since 1961! Karen and her husband Ron, married 36 years, live in Garden City.

Karen's life has been nursing. She graduated from BSU School of Nursing in 1974. Later she earned a BA in Business Management from BSU, then a Masters of Nursing from the University of Phoenix.

After retiring in 2014, Karen became more active in her Chapter and has just completed two years as president. She has also been an active volunteer in her community, sharing her skills and expertise in Women's & Children's Alliance, March of Dimes, Genesis Community Clinic, Friends of Nursing BSU, Friends of the Garden City Public Library, Project Linus.

Currently she is a quilter at Quilt Crossing where she also teaches some classes. She also enjoys reading (belongs to two book clubs), knitting, and travel.

She and her husband love to go. Among her favorite travels are safaris to Africa. Most recently, she and Ron spent time in Israel, Jordan, and Egypt.





LENTEN LUNCH

Sheltering in place now, but we had a delightful outing to the **Lenten Lunch at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church** earlier this month. Delicious Clam Chowder or Minestrone soup and home-made pie were served and enjoyed:



Pictured left to right:
Melvina Prisbey and Roberta "Sandy" Tavares



Edith Gist and Ann Proctor

IDAHO GIVES



Please consider donating
for our beloved
Chapter House.

The latest projects being
security lighting, gutter
covers, plus maintenance on
our antique elevator.



All bundled up for a
Social Distancing
Happy Hour!



APRIL 2020 CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
<p>With STAY-AT-HOME orders currently in place, there will be no Lunch & Learn program for April. In the meantime, here are some interesting National Observances for April.</p>			<p>1 International Pooper Scooper Week....I guess you know what to do.</p> <p>National Walking Day! Ah, fresh air!</p>	<p>2 National Window Safety Week...yep, it's a real thing.</p> <p>National Burrito Day! Time to cook up some Burritos!</p>	<p>3 National Find A Rainbow Day - rainbows are an artistic masterpiece in the sky, to some, a sign of hope and to many a sign of promise.</p>	<p>4 National Handmade Day... recognizes all those who put forth their creative talents (like knitters and quilters).</p>
<p>5 PALM SUNDAY</p> <p>National Public Health Week, how very appropriate!</p> <p>Gold Star Spouses Day - honors the surviving loved ones of military service members killed in the line of duty</p>	<p>6 National Wildlife Week...maybe feed the squirrels</p> <p>National Caramel Popcorn Day - here's a recipe! Easy Caramel Corn recipe</p>	<p>7 National Beer Day and also National Coffee Cake Day - take your pick!</p> <p>National No Housework Day... it's a real thing!</p>	<p>8 National Empanada Day</p> <p>National Zoo Lovers Day</p>	<p>9 National Cherish an Antique Day</p> <p>National Winston Churchill Day - made an honorary citizen of the United States in 1963</p>	<p>10 GOOD FRIDAY</p> <p>National "Farm Animals Day" - show a cow some love!</p> <p>National Siblings Day - time to give them a call</p>	<p>11 National Barber Shop Quartet Day - makes our heart flutter and transports us back to a different time.</p> <p>National Pet Day - time to love up our 4-legged friends</p>
<p>12 Easter Sunday Peace Be With You!</p> <p>National Licorice Day! my favorite!</p>	<p>13 National Peach Cobbler Day</p> <p>National Scrabble Day...any challengers out there?</p>	<p>14 National Gardening Day...what better time to prepare your garden area?</p> <p>National "Look Up At The Sky" Day</p>	<p>15 National Spiral Ham Day</p> <p>National Titanic Remembrance Day</p>	<p>16 National Bean Counter Day... we love the people who keep the books balanced!</p>	<p>17 National Pet ID Week...time to get that ID tag for your beloved pooch.</p> <p>National Clean Out Your Medicine Cabinet Day</p>	<p>18 National Animal Crackers Day... makes me think of Shirley Temple</p>
<p>19 National Coin Week...are you a coin collector? Then this is your week!</p>	<p>20 This is also National Volunteer Week! Hats off to everyone who volunteers!</p>	<p>21 National Chocolate Covered Cashews Day</p>	<p>22 National Earth Day</p> <p>National Jelly Bean Day</p>	<p>23 National Cherry Cheesecake Day</p> <p>National Talk Like Shakespeare Day... wherefore art thou?</p>	<p>24 National Arbor Day...go plant a tree!</p> <p>National Hairball Awareness Day</p>	<p>25 Annual Gathering of Nations (Pow Wow) - usually involves more than 565 tribes!</p>
<p>26 National Kids and Pets Day</p> <p>National Audubon Day</p>	<p>27 National Babe Ruth Day - any baseball fans out there?</p>	<p>28 National Blueberry Pie Day...yum!</p> <p>National Great Poetry Reading Day</p>	<p>29 National Peace Rose Day...they are just beautiful</p> <p>National Shrimp Scampi Day...what's for dinner?</p>	<p>30 National Bugs Bunny Day</p> <p>National Oatmeal Cookie Day</p> <div data-bbox="1177 1417 1453 1669">  <p>What's up Doc?</p> </div>		

