

## **April 2022 Newsletter**



Photo by Holly Beermann

### "Learning to Dance in the Rain"

### **ISUWC PRESIDENT, SHARI GLENN**



Greetings!

#### Happy spring!

This organization continues to amaze me. What an amazing bunch of wonderful, charitable, interesting women!

We are rapidly approaching the end of our year. Please note:

• End of the year reports are due to me at the annual meeting on Monday, May 2.

Spring luncheon ticket and

menu information are found in this newsletter.

- Interest Group information for the yearbook is due Sunday, May 15.
- Dues for 2022-2023 should be paid by May 31.

Our final cabinet meeting is May 2. Please note the time and location is 9:30 am at Moore Memorial Park.

I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as your President. A big thank you to all the amazing women that really do all the work! It has been a wonderful year. Your new officers for next year will all do a fantastic job.

I hope to see many of you at the spring luncheon.

Keep dancing!

Shari

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Monday, April 18, Noon Spring Luncheon—"Spring Rebound" Doors open at 11:30 am ISU Alumni Center 429 Alumni Lane, Ames (Parking available in the event parking lot below)

Monday, May 2, 9:30 am Annual Meeting\* Big Bluestem Shelter Moore Memorial Park 3050 Northridge Parkway, Ames

\*All retiring and incoming officers should plan to attend the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting

> Sunday, May 15 Interest Group Information Due

Tuesday, May 31 Remember to Pay 2022-2023 Membership Dues: \$25

#### **SPRING LUNCHEON INFORMATION**



The **'Spring Rebound'** Luncheon will be held April 18, 2022, at noon in the ISU Alumni Center, 429 Alumni Lane. Doors will open at 11:30 AM. Lidderdale Country Store will cater the salad buffet, and the event is hosted by the Spring Luncheon Committee.

Larry Wiebel, editor of *Our Iowa Magazine*, will be our speaker for the event. The magazine is written by Iowans...for Iowans.

Tickets can be purchased for \$20.00 until April 8 at Cook's Emporium, 313 Main Street, and Coe's Floral, Gifts, and Decor, 2801 Grand Avenue in North Grand Mall.

Tickets will also be available from Spring Luncheon Committee members: Mary Augustus, Jeanette Dietrich, Mary Jane Green, Madonna Johnson, Donna Sogard, Eileen Tramp, and Joan Greenlee.

Tickets will not be sold at the door and spaces are limited. Remember to print your name on the back of the ticket for door prizes!



#### **SPRING QUILTS SILENT AUCTION**

These three beautiful spring time quilts have been created, pieced, and quilted by Block Builders members and will be available through a silent auction at the Spring Luncheon on April 18th.

All materials and time have been donated, so ALL proceeds from this auction go to scholarships for deserving and appreciative lowa State students. Which one(s) will you bid on?







#### ANNUAL MEETING REPORTS

It is important that all retiring and incoming officers attend the annual meeting on May 2. Two copies of End-of-Year Reports from officers and interest group chairs are due on or before the meeting. Blank forms are available at <u>www.isuwc.org/forms/.</u> Instructions for Interest Groups can also be found at the end of this newsletter.

#### **MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Membership renewals have been mailed. Your \$25 dues need to be paid no later than May 31 in order to remain active in ISUWC and its interest groups. Please mail to Diane M. Smith, 1514 Little Bluestem Court, Ames, IA 50014. 515-231-7184 (c) Dues can also be paid online at: <u>https://www.isuwc.org/join/</u>.

#### **GARDENING CLUB**

The ISUWC Gardening Group was fortunate to hear Carl Kurtz speak at their March 9 meeting. Kurtz shared his expert knowledge and experience with Tallgrass Prairie plants— sharing breathtaking photos to illustrate and embellish his talk. The Gardening Group is grateful to Mr. Kurtz for sharing his time and expertise.



#### **CLUB INFORMATION**

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#### **PAGE TURNERS**

Three members and three guests met and enjoyed a lively discussion of Childrens Literature. A few of the books presented were Mo Willems's, *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus*, and *We Are In A Book; Mother West Wind's Neighbors* by T. Burgess; *The Lions of Fifth Avenue* by F. Davis; *Don't Think About Purple Elephants* by S. Whelan and G. Jones. Two controversial titles were: *Not All Boys Are Blue* and *I Need A New Butt*. Time did not allow for the mention of Dr. Seuss books—and so many others! A special thank you to guest, Judy Dahlke. She shared her expertise gained from many years of teaching Kindergarten. We all learned several new ways to share stories with children.

Two more meetings of the Page Turners Book Club are on the 2022 Agenda. Pat Swanson is hostess for the April 21 meeting. Carolyn Dorhout is hostess for the May 19 meeting. Future planning for the Book Club is to be discussed at the May 19 meeting.



#### **ISUWC HELPING UKRAINIAN REFUGEES**

A huge shipping container located at Clemons, Iowa, is being filled with bedding, blankets, quilts, towels, wash cloths and NEW socks and underwear for kids and adults. The items will be sent to Poland to show our love and concern for the care and comfort of the Ukrainian refugees, most of whom are children and their mothers.

The shipping cost was paid via cash donations. This project was sponsored by Orphan Grain Train, a Christian volunteer network that shares personal and material resources with needy people in America and around the world.

Many ISUWC members contributed three cars full of items that were taken to Clemons for the cause. Thank you for your generosity!









Donated items for Ukrainian Refugees filled 3 cars



**Boxed Items for Ukrainian Refugees** 

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Are you looking for opportunities to expand your friend-circle in the ISU Women's Club? Consider volunteering for these positions:

- Co-chair the ISUWC Historians (published yearly)
- Co-chair the Newsletter (published 4 to 5 times a year)
- Join the Yearbook Committee to help prepare the yearbook for the printer (published yearly)

Contact Shari Glenn or Jeannette Dieterich. Thank you!

#### FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE

The Friendship Committee sends greeting cards from ISU Women's Club to our members. Cards are sent for hospital stays, extended illness, death of a member, death of a member's relative, special birthday (70+), special anniversary (50+), a new grandbaby and for a special honor or award a member has received.

We rely on our membership to let us know when a card needs to be sent. Please let us know if you become aware of any of the events listed above, and we will be glad to send wishes from ISUWC.

Sharon Olson, Friendship Committee Chair 515-291-0301, <u>smolson75@gmail.com</u>

The vision of the Iowa State University Women's Club is to create unity through friendship, promote a sense of belonging with each other and within the community, and as we grow, to have an impact on our society.

### **G.I.V.E. VOLUNTEERS**





Members assisted with the set up and take down for the Ames Public Library's book sale in March. Hundreds of books were sold over the 3 day period.

# **PHOTO GALLERY**



Fourteen hikers took advantage of 50-degree weather to walk around Ada Hayden Park on Monday morning, March 14, 22. Member, Dorothy Dake led the group, and distributed information about the Park and the Friends of Ada Hayden Organization.



ISUWC Newcomers Group Tour of the Ames History Museum led by Alex Fejfar. From left, Pat Swanson, Wendy Livy, Linda Mickey, Carla Persaud, Amy Fletcher, and Brenda Throbs-Weber (seated).