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THE UNION COLONY EXCHANGE CLUB OF GREELEY, CO

March 11, 2020

UNION COLONY EXCHANGE CLUB OF GREELEY
Meets at 6:30 p.m. the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. Kenny's Steakhouse, 3502 W. 10th Street, Greeley
www.unioncolonyexchangeclub.org



Submitted by Karen Zack

Karen's Korner

Four Corners District Mid-Winter Conference

Carolyn, Debbie, John and I went to Monument on Saturday, Feb 22 for an all-day conference with the district. It was a full day, with presentations by District President Neal Smith, National Exchange Club CEO Tracy Edwards and others. The conference was broadcast via Zoom to multiple locations, allowing for greater attendance and participation.

There was one presentation by Mike Worley, from Beautiful Redemption, about an opportunity to help those in need. The organization is call Care-Portal, which is a non-profit to help children and families in crisis in any community. It provides an opportunity for people to help those in need, one donation at a time, rather than needing to have a location or a "closet" full of supplies. We were so impressed with his presentation that we hope he can speak at National as this is a national opportunity.

At the end of the day, we drove the rest of the way to Colorado Springs, to the Hotel Elegante, to look at the room that we will have for our Hospitality Suite for the National Convention.

We are so fortunate to have a district leadership team who thinks outside the box, planning and executing this conference as a 21st century event, using the tools and technology that exists in the toolbox. I am looking forward to our District Convention in April in Chandler, AZ and then highlight the end of the year with the National Convention in Colorado Springs in July.

I know I have said this before, but I truly hope that most of you are able to attend all, or part, of the National Convention. We will want your help at the Hospitality Suite and give you a chance to attend the sessions. Registration is open through the National Exchange Club website. There are also funds available through the Club to assist with the expense.



Mark Your Calendar

March 16—UCXC Meeting—at Life Stories

April—Child Abuse Prevention Month

April 6—UCXC Meeting—6:30 p.m.

April 14—Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Santeramo's

April 20—UCXC Meeting—6:30 p.m.

April 24-25—District Convention

May 4— UCXC Meeting—6:30 p.m.

May 12—Board Meeting—6:30 p.m. at Santeramo's

May 18—UCXC Meeting—6:30 p.m.

June 13—Stem to Stone 5K

July 22-25—National Convention, Colorado Springs

UCXC At a Glance

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Fellowship

Firefighter/Police Recognition

Freedom Shrine

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Greeley Lights the Night

Growth/Membership

Healthcare Scholarship

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National Day of Service

Newsletter

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Service to Seniors

Toys for Tots

Veterans Matter

Website

Weld Food Bank

Wreaths Across America



March 16 Meeting will be held at new Life Stories Location

Submitted by Deb Casdorff

Next Monday, the membership will meet at Life Stories located at 1640 25th Avenue— I believe it is in the office buildings behind Pellegrini's restaurant. We will be meeting with Gwen Schooley, Director. I will be providing pizza, salad, and leftover Stampede pop. If anyone would like to bring their own beverage (including beer or wine), they are welcome to do so.

PLEASE NOTE—We will also be doing a drawing for the 8 seats for the Top Chef fundraiser. Members must be present to win!

For more information about Life Stories > lifestoriesweld.org

Just for Giggles!



**I try to keep busy all year. In the summer
I make cookies, and in the fall and winter
I make toys in Santa's workshop.**

WAA Press Release

Submitted by Chris Ruth



Wreaths Across America Announces Stem to Stone 2020 Race Tour Greeley, Colorado – June 13, 2020

Greeley, Colorado — Today, Wreaths Across America in Northern Colorado proudly announces the **Stem to Stone Race Tour**. A partnership with event management and timing company CompetitorME, the national tour features eight 5K road races, each in a different state, throughout 2020. The goal is to build community awareness and understanding of Wreaths Across America's yearlong mission to Remember, Honor, Teach.

The race location for Colorado is taking place in Greeley on June 13, 2020, and open registrations can be found at competitor.me.com/wreaths-across-america. Simply click on the Greeley event location logo and you'll be brought to the official RunSignUp registration pages. These pages have all the pertinent information, such as event date, location, schedule, pricing, course maps, and donation opportunities. Additionally, volunteers are needed for each event location. Those wishing to help can visit the respective event registration page for their region, and click on the 'Volunteer' tab at the top.

"We have been supporters of Wreaths Across America for several years now, attending the start of the Escort to Arlington in Harrington, Maine, but also attending the laying of wreaths in Arlington National Cemetery," said Jonathan Kelley, owner CompetitorME. "Through our involvement with the escort, and directing the inaugural Stem to Stone 5K/10K on the WAA tip land last July, we've seen what the WAA mission means to our Nation's Gold Star Families and how important it is to Remember, Honor, Teach, every day of the year."

Each individual race registration, including virtual participants, sponsors a fresh balsam veteran's wreath that will be placed on the headstone of an American hero on December 19, 2020, as part of National Wreaths Across America Day. During check out, registrants can designate the Sponsorship Group or participating Wreaths Across America Location they want their sponsored wreath allocated to. Events will include a Kids Fun Run and 5K Run/Walk/Ruck. Registrants will receive personalized racing bibs and commemorative finisher medallions, with event t-shirts being provided to the first 200 people to register and available to all others for purchase at the races.

"To say we are excited to get the Stem to Stone Race Tour underway would be an understatement," said Karen Worcester, executive director, Wreaths Across America. "We saw such great response from the nation and running community last year in support of our dear friend Gold Star Mom Cathy Powers who successfully ran across the country to honor our veterans and help raise awareness and funds for wreaths to be sponsored for Arlington, where her hero son is laid to rest. We hope to continue that momentum by offering this new, fun way for supporters to get involved and help share the mission in their own communities."