

LEADERSHIP

FLORENCE DIEDE

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All members are regularly encouraged to view the GFWC.org, the GFWC of MT and GFWC Billings Junior Woman's Club websites.

Billings Junior Woman's Club hosts a club website. <https://gfwcbillings.org/>

One of our members is the webmaster for the GFWC of Montana site.

<https://gfwcmontana.org/>

One of our members is the host for the club Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/GfwcBillingsJuniorWomansClub/>

Leadership tips are featured in club monthly reports. Members are encouraged to become LEADS candidates, attend District and State meetings. Five LEADS graduates for GFWC MT have been from Billings Junior Woman's Club. Four of them are currently serving in leadership positions within our club, Eastern District and on the GFWC MT Board of Directors.

Three members currently are officers of GFWC MT Eastern District.

Two members represented BJWC and GFWC MT at the GFWC International Convention in St. Louis, MO in June by attending meetings and workshops. Eleven members attended the GFWC of Montana April Convention in Helena. Five members attended the GFWC of Montana Fall Meeting held in Butte, MT. Two members attended Western States Region Conference in Las Vegas. Our Billings Junior Woman's Club is fortunate enough to cover most of the costs for convention meals, lodging and transportation for each member.

Two club members are currently serving on the GFWC of MT Executive Committee and five are state committee chairmen or serving on committees. One member is the District Vice-President, one as treasurer

and one as the secretary. Members attending all out of town club events and meetings give oral reports at a club meeting.

Billings Junior Woman's Club supports the GFWC MT fundraising efforts by providing auction items. Some hits have been the Very Hungry Caterpillar baby quilt and sundresses made from used pillowcases. At the GFWC MT Fall meeting we donated \$500 in supplies to help with the Duffle Bag project.

GFWC Billings Junior Woman's Club Narrative

Fundraising for GFWC of Montana

A recent donation to the state fund raising efforts was to prepare a mason jar with a meal in minutes.

Many members participated by sharing a family favorite meal that could be prepared by adding just a few ingredients.

How about these? Dehydrated vegetable soup, Bean Soup Mix, Potato Soup Mix, Hamburger Helper types of dinner, Cake mix, Brownies, Gummy bears, Malted milk ball, Nuts

What a hit this was! Many times the basket auction prices eliminate participation. These above items were grouped into sets of two or three jars and bit on in this fashion. Thus, one might be the winner for just a \$10 to \$15 donation rather than \$150.

Can you imagine the fun of setting up the 55 jars? We used two wicker laundry baskets to create a corner on our three-table display. A blue and white tablecloth helped give it a country look. The jars were arranged so there was a main dish, a dessert and maybe a treat. To draw a bit more attention we sprinkled lifesavers on the tables for bidders to nibble on as they entered their bids.

Several hundred dollars was raised and many were allowed to participate. Best of all, one could take the items home to use and not just set on a shelf.