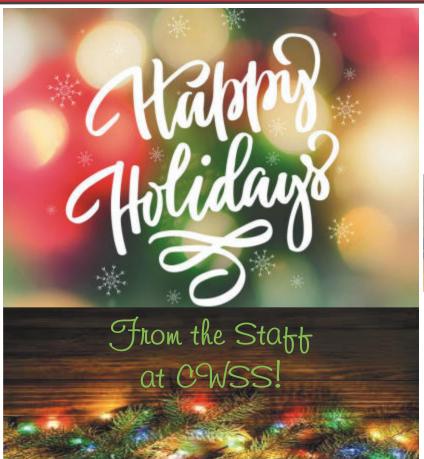
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April 1, 2020.

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Changes are happening!

You will be seeing some changes, both around the center and in the Newsletter. We are in the middle of the remodel but hope we are still adequately meeting our clients' needs.

We are changing the name of the Newsletter and offering more diverse content and more helpful information.

Thanks for your continuing support!!

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ALL ABOUT US

Central Wyoming Senior Center was established in 1975 to provide nutritious meals, companionship, program support, and activities for the senior citizens of Natrona County. We began serving meals in a church basement and eventually moved into our current facility, where we

provided more than 50,000 meals last year. All of our programs are designed to enhance the ability of the over-60 population of Natrona County to stay active, healthy and independent by offering activities and nutritional support & services to meet their changing needs. We were established as a 501(c)3 in

1976 to provide low cost, nutritious meals to the over-60 population of Natrona County. Many of our programs are administered by the Wyoming Department of Health Office of Healthcare Financing.

GIFTS & MEMORIALS

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Note: This is a list for Gifts and Memorial Donations given between September 20—November 18.

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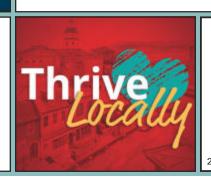
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Bunco

Zentangle

Cribbage

Or have a suggestion for additional activities, please come to the office to discuss with staff!

Board Meeting Schedule: (All meetings are public)

December 16th and Fourth Monday of January at 2:00 pm in the Conference Room.

This is the perfect time for the public to attend and find out about what is happening within the Agency.

If you are 60 or older and your birthday is in **Dec. or Jan.**, bring this coupon into the front office to receive your free meal ticket.

Name:			

Birthdate:____

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WAYS TO GET HELP

Wyoming Home Services is a program that provides assistance to an individual in their home. Services provided include housekeeping, personal care, respite,

and care coordination. National Family Caregiver Program provides assistance to caregivers who are taking care of a loved one. Services include homemaking, personal care, respite, and care coordination. Any questions?

Come see Lacey or Alicia. Or give us a call at (307) 265-4678.

Meal Prices:

Suggested donation for a senior meal is \$5.00. We do offer 10 and 20 count punch tickets. As an incentive, we will offer one free meal with every 20 punch ticket donation.

Remember that non-seniors or clients that do not fill out our yearly paperwork and sign in are required to <u>purchase</u> a meal ticket at the reception desk for \$8.00. (See the notices posted.) When you invite a non-senior guest, please stop by the front desk and purchase a meal ticket for them.

Meal Times:

Casper: 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Mills: Noon to 1:00pm Evansville: Noon to 1:00 PM

Reservations Required at the Mills and Evansville Sites

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Friday, December 13th Friday, January 1st!

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SPOTLIGHT

Year in Review

What happened in 1980? Major News:

- January 1-66th Rose Bowl & 46th Sugar Bowl/Orange Bowl
- January 20-President Jimmy Carter announces US boycott of Moscow Olympics
- February 6-John Wayne Gacy goes on trial for the murder of 33 young men in Cook County, Illinois
- March 1—Snow falls in Florida
- March 21-J.R. is shot on the TV show "Dallas"
- March 24-ABC's nightly "Iran Hostage" crisis program is renamed "Nightline"
- April 6-Post-It Notes introduced
- April 30-Terrorist seize Iranian Embassy in London
- May 1-15th Academy of Country Music Awards
- May 8-World Health Organization announces smallpox has been eradicated
- May 18-Mt. St. Helens erupts in Washington state, causing the largest landslide in history (killing 57 people and costing \$1 billion in damages)
- June 1—1st Transmission of CNN (the Cable News Network)
- June 23—"David Letterman Show" debuts on NBC-TV (daytime)
- June 27-US Revives draft registration
- July 16-Ronald Reagan formally accepts Republican nomination for US president
- August 11-New York Yankee Reggie Jackson hits his 400th HR off Chicago's Britt Burns
- August 20-Reinhold Messner of Italy is 1st to solo-ascend Mt. Everest
- September 1-Jerry Lewis 15th Muscular Dystrophy telethon raises \$31,103,787.00
- September 23-Bob Marley has his last concert at Stanley Theater, Pittsburgh
- October 14—Ronald Reagan promises to name a woman to the Supreme Court.
- November 4—Republican candidate Ronald Reagan is elected President of the US, defeating incumbent Democrat President Jimmy Carter by a landslide
- November 9—Iraqi President Saddam Hussein declares holy war against Iran
- November 21-John Lennon and Yoko Ono pose nude for photographer Allan Tannenbaum
- December 12—US copyright law amended to include computer programs & Apple makes its initial public offering on the US stock market (28 years later it will become the 1st US company valued at over
- December 18-Vietnam adopts constitution
- December 30-"Wonderful World of Disney" last performance on NBC-TV

What Did it Cost?

2)

New House: \$69,000 New Car: \$19,500 Gallon of gasoline: \$1.20 First Class Stamp: \$0.15 VHS Machine: \$699.00 Loaf of Bread: \$0.50

Gallon of Milk: \$1.12 Rubik's Cube: \$1.99 Barbie Dream House: \$100

Median Income: \$16,354.00 Annually



1 cup powdered sugar

Green food coloring

8 oz. cream cheese-softened

1 1/2 cup Cool Whip-thawed

l teaspoon peppermint extract

Ingredients:

Shortbread Cookie Laver: 3/4 cup unsalted butter-softened ½ cup powdered sugar

1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour tablespoon cocoa powder

¼ teaspoon salt Red food coloring

Pudding Layer 2 x 3.9 oz. box white Peppermint Cheesecake Layer chocolate instant pudding 3 cups milk 1 1/2 cups Cool Whip

Topping:

2 Cups Mini Marshmallows Red & Green Candies &/or M&Ms

- Preheat the oven to 350 F. Lightly butter 9 x 13 inch baking dish & set aside.
- In a small bowl stir together flour, salt, and cocoa powder.
- In large bowl beat butter and sugar until smooth. Add red food coloring and mix well (1 3) tablespoon food coloring for intense red color)
- Turn mixer on low speed and gradually add flour mixture. Mix until combined.
- Press the dough into bottom of baking dish and bake for 18-20 minutes. Remove from the oven and cool completely.
- To make cream cheese layer: Beat softened cream cheese and powdered sugar until smooth. Add 1 1/2 cup Cool Whip and peppermint extract and mix to combine. Spread over cooled shortbread layer . Place in the freezer to firm while preparing pudding.
- To make the green pudding layer: Whisk together the 2 3.9-oz. boxes instant pudding mix with 3 cups milk. Add green food coloring (a few drops at a time until desired color) and whisk until smooth.
- Spread over cream cheese layer . Set in the freezer for ${\bf 5}$ minutes.
- Spread 1 ½ cup Cool whip over pudding layer and top with mini marshmallows and sprinkles. Place in the fridge for 3-4 hours until set.



Excerpted from "13 Unusual Holiday Traditions From Around the World," By Jackie Middleton, readersdigest.ca

Japan's KFC: While it's true that Christmas isn't really celebrated in Japan, a December 25th tradition centers on KFC. In fact, the Colonel's special recipe is so popular in Japan at Christmas that KFC suggests that customers place their holiday order two months in advance. The chicken craze began back in 1974 when KFC bosses unveiled their first Christmas meal for visiting foreigners who wanted something that resembled a traditional holiday dinner. As it turns out, locals embraced the Christmas dinner, too and 40 years later, a unique tradition involving KFC continues in Japan to this day.

Finland's Cemetery Tradition: In Finland it's a tradition to visit your buried relatives at sunset on Christmas Eve. Many cemeteries and churches hold brief services complete with hymns and moments of reflection while family members lay lanterns and lit candles on the graves to remember departed loved ones. Often a special section is created for people who have relatives buried far away, so they can commemorate their family members, too. This touching custom began in the 1920s when candles were placed on the graves of World War I soldiers.

Guatemala's La Quema del Diablo: Around December 7, Guatemalans sweep their homes, collect trash from around their property and create a massive heap of refuse in the street. As a final touch, the pile is crowned with an effigy of the devil and set ablaze. And the Christmas celebrations can begin! No, this event isn't the inspiration for the 'chestnuts roasting on an open fire' song lyric. This symbolic cleansing ritual is said to expunge evil spirits and negative energy from the upcoming festivities.

Mexico's Flores de Noche Buena: You can thank Mexico for the poinsettia's association with Christmas. According to Mexican legend, a poverty-stricken brother & sister left a bouquet of weedy branches as a gift to the Christ Child at their church. While other children laughed at their meager offering, a miracle began to unfold. A cluster of red star-shaped flowers began to bloom on each stem. The flowers became known as Flores de Noche Buena (Flowers of the Holy Night) and so began the Christmas link. The beautiful plant was re-named Poinsettia after United States' Mexican ambassador Joel Roberts Poinsett brought cuttings to America.

Scotland's Hogmanay: New Year's – or Hogmanay – celebrations take precedence over Christmas in Scotland. While December 25 is usually a time for quiet reflection with your family, Hogmanay is a loud, joyous occasion celebrating the birth of a new year. One of the most important traditions is called First-Footing. Once midnight strikes and the calendar flips to January 1st, all eyes await the arrival of the year's first visitor. The person who crosses the home's threshold first is said to be a predictor of good fortune in the year ahead. Top of the lucky list: a male, dark-haired visitor. Women or blonde men are believed to be unlucky. The first-foot is also supposed to bring the household an array of gifts including coins (symbolizing fortune), bread (food) and whisky (good cheer).

Ukraine's Spider Web Tree: Christmas trees in the Ukraine are often covered in spider webs. An ancient legend tells of a poor family who grew a Christmas tree from a pinecone. The children, so thrilled by the idea of their very own tree, spent months dreaming up ways to decorate it for the holiday. But the family was penniless, so the children's tree would remain unadorned. Upon waking, the children discovered that spiders had spun webs of glistening silk around the tree's branches. Each thread magically turned into silver and gold as the morning's sun danced upon the tree's bows. Today, Ukrainians dress up their trees with spider webs to welcome good luck into the coming year.

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Notes from the Kitchen

The Importance of Minerals

Minerals and Senior Health

In considering minerals on their own, we might automatically conjure up images of rows and rows of bottles on the pharmacy shelves before remembering that this is not where they come from. Since minerals are inorganic substances, they are formed naturally in abundance in the earth. As water, either from rain or from underground springs, filters through the earth, it acquires many minerals. Plants absorb this water, accumulating the minerals and turning them into a form that our bodies can easily digest.

According to WebMD: "Getting adequate nutrition can be a challenge as you get older. With age, the number of calories you need begins to decline. Every calorie you consume must be packed with nutrition in order to hit the mark." However, despite a nutritious diet, even like that suggested by the Hallelujah Diet, you may still fall short of your needs."

"As we get older, the body becomes less efficient at absorbing some key nutrients," says Katherine Tucker, RD, Ph.D., Professor, Director of the Center for Population Health at the University of UMass Lowell. Also, the ability to taste food declines, blunting appetite. Some foods become difficult to chew or digest, and this would be especially true of seniors. For seniors, several vital nutrients may be in short supply. Among these, here are the top minerals—there are only three—and how to get enough of them.

Calcium: While calcium plays many roles in the body, it is essential for building and maintaining strong bones. Unfortunately, surveys show that, as we age, we consume less calcium in our diets. "Calcium is so essential that if you don't get enough, your body will leach it out of your bones," says Kathleen Zelman, RD, director of nutrition for WebMD. Being short on plant-based foods rich in calcium, magnesium, vitamin K and trace minerals has been shown to increase the risk fractures due to brittle bones.

Potassium: Getting enough potassium in your diet is believed to keep bones healthy. This essential mineral is vital for cell function and has also been shown to help reduce high blood pressure and the risk of kidney stones. Unfortunately, surveys show that many older Americans are falling short of the recommended 4,700 mg of potassium a day.

Magnesium: Magnesium has been shown to play a crucial role in some 300 different physiological processes. Getting enough can help keep our immune system in top shape, our heart healthy, and our bones strong. "Many whole foods, including vegetables, contain magnesium. However, it is often lost in processing," says Tucker. Absorption of magnesium decreases with age. Some medications older people take, including diuretics, may also and seeds. reduce magnesium absorption.

How to hit the mark: While some experts suggest consuming dairy products to get enough calcium, this advice is fraught with danger. Consider plant-based dietary sources of calcium that include leafy greens like kale and broccoli and nuts and seeds. Also, healthy smoothies made from non-dairy milk, kale, fruit, and even almonds or avocados could be easily incorporated into the diet of an older person who has trouble chewing.

How to hit the mark: By far, fruits and vegetables are the most abundant dietary sources of potassium. Bananas, prunes, plums, and potatoes in their skin are particularly rich in potassium. Consuming fruits and vegetables at every meal goes a long way toward getting enough potassium.

How to hit the mark: The best sources of magnesium are unprocessed plantbased foods and include fresh fruits, vegetables, nuts, whole grains, beans, and seeds.

https://www.myhdiet.com/healthnews/rev-malkmus/senior-health-tips-the-importance-of-minerals/

Inside-Out Lasagna by Eating Well Test Kitchen

Ingredients

- 8 ounces whole-wheat rotini or fusilli
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 3 cloves cloves garlic, sliced
- 8 ounces sliced white mushrooms (about 3½ cups)
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
- 1 14-ounce can diced tomatoes with Italian herbs
- 8 cups baby spinach
- ½ teaspoon crushed red pepper (optional)
- 3/4 cup part-skim ricotta cheese

Directions

- 1. Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add pasta; cook until just tender, 8 to 10 minutes or according to package directions. Drain and transfer to a large bowl.
- 2. Meanwhile, heat oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add onion and garlic and cook, stirring, until soft and beginning to brown, about 3 minutes. Add mushrooms, salt and pepper and cook, stirring, until the mushrooms release their liquid, 4 to 6 minutes.
- 3. Add tomatoes, spinach and crushed red pepper (if using). Increase heat to medium-high; cook, stirring once halfway through, until the spinach is wilted, about 4 minutes.
- 4. Toss the sauce with the pasta and divide among 4 bowls. Dollop each serving with 3 tablespoons of ricotta.

 Serve with: Steamed broccoli and whole-grain baguette.



"Here we take basic lasagna ingredients—ricotta cheese, pasta and tomatoes—and skip the layering and long baking time to make a super-quick and satisfying meal for the whole family. To cut down on prep time, look for pre-sliced mushrooms. For meat lovers, brown some crumbled turkey sausage along with the onions and garlic."

MEAL CALENDAR

December 2019

Saturday	7MONDAY EVENING 2BBQ Chicken 19French Dip 16Vinter BBQ 23Roast Pork Dressing	14	MEALS COME WITH MILK & BREAD	28	MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE
Friday	6Beer Battered Cod Macaroni & Cheese Herb Roasted Tomatoes Chocolate Mousse Melon Salad	13Tuna & Noodles Green Bean Medley Citrus Fruit Chocolate Cake SALAD BAR	20Lemon Baked Fish Garlic Pasta Glazed Carrots Cherry Jello SALAD BAR	27Creamy Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Sandwich Pasta Salad Fresh Fruit SALAD BAR	
Thursday	5Chicken Parmesan Sweet Potatoes Country Mix Coleslaw Lemon Pudding	12Hamburger Steak With Tomato Gravy Oven Fried Potatoes Broccoli Tossed Salad Apple Crisp	19COWBELLES Roast Beef Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Hearty Tossed Salad Butterscotch Bars	26 Beef Stroganoff Peas & Carrots Hearty Romaine Salad Fruit Jello	
Wednesday	4Roast Pork Potatoes & Gravy Garden Vegetables Cottage Cheese Baked Pecan Apples	11Lamb Tips Mashed Potatoes Creamed Peas Hearty Salad Mixed Berries SALAD BAR	18Chicken Fajitas Spanish Rice Refried Beans Lettuce & Tomatoes Fresh Fruit	CLOSED CHRISTMAS	
Tuesday	3Turkey Pot Pie Broccoli Almandine Chopped Romaine Dressing Spice Cake	10Cabbage Roll Casserole Green Beans Tossed Salad Peach Cream Whip	17Beef Stew Braised Cabbage Tomato Basil Salad Strawberry Jello	24Baked Ham Or Roast Lamb Twice Baked Potato Roasted Asparagus Frosted Carrot Cake	31Roast Turkey Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Tossed Salad Pumpkin Bars
Monday	2Beef Pepper Steak Brown Rice Baked Squash Pear Crisp	9Turkey & Noodles California Vegetables Cottage Cheese with Pineapple Pumpkin Crunch	16Pork Medallions Over Pasta Peas & Carrots Sliced Peaches Caramel Apple Cake	23Pork Chop Suey Rice Pilaf Oriental Vegetables Baked Apples Sugar Cookie	30Chicken Fried Steak Oven Fried Potatoes Country Gravy Buttered Beets Mandarin Oranges
Sunday	CLOSED	8Meatloaf with Gravy Scalloped Potatoes Baked Zucchini Pea Salad Apple Pie	150ven Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes Scandinavian Vegetables Carrot Raisin Salad Fruit Pie	22 Christmas Brunch	29Pork Wellington Corn on the Cob Creamy Cole Slaw Pineapple Upside Down Cake

MEAL CALENDAR January 2020

Saturday	4MONDAY EVENING 6Pork & Dressing 13Soup & Sandwich Bar 20Oriental Buffet 27Chicken Fried Steak	=	MEALS COME WITH MILK & BREAD	25	MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE
Friday	3Breaded Fish Sandwich Pea Salad Lettuce Tomatoes Fruit Cup White Cake	10Beef Roast in Gravy Mashed Potatoes California Vegetables Whipped Fruit Jell-O Melon Cup	17Lemon Pepper Fish Rice Pilaf Sliced Carrots Cole Slaw Pear Crisp SALAD BAR	24Seafood Alfredo Winter Mix Vegetables Lime Jell-O Oatmeal Raisin Cookie SALAD BAR	31Hearty Veg. Soup Chicken Salad Sandwich On Wheat Bread Relishes Watermelon SALAD BAR
Thursday	2Spanish Meatballs Over Linguini Scandinavian Blend Carrot Strips Bananas & Strawberries	90ven Fried Chicken Oven Brown Potatoes Cream Gravy Green Beans Creamy Slaw Peach Crisp	16Chicken Enchilada Seasoned Beans Spanish Rice Lettuce & Tomatoes Strawberry Crumb Cake	23Meatloaf Rice Pilaf Peas & Carrots Tomato Cucumber Salad Tropical Fruit	30Ham & Scalloped Potato Casserole Roasted Cauliflower Tomato Basil Salad Fluffy Fruit Cup
Wednesday	1 NEW YEARS CLOSED	8BBQ Burger Deluxe Pasta Salad Lettuce & Tomatoes Peach & Orange Delight Gooey Butter Cake SALAD BAR	15Glazed Pork Patty Tomato Pasta Parsleyed Carrots Mixed Fruit Cherry Cookie	22Pork Tenderloin Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Parmesan Zucchini Applesauce Jello SALAD BAR Frosted Brownie	29California Chic Breast Oven Brown Potatoes Country Mix Fresh Fruit Chunky Vegetable Salad SALAD BAR
Tuesday		7Ham & Beans Sliced Carrots Combread Cole Slaw Fluffy Fruit Cup	14Turkey Wrap Potato Chips Lettuce Tomato Pea Salad Grape Juice White Cake with Lemon Sauce	21Beef Stroganoff California Blend Veggies Tossed Salad Angel food cake with Lemon Glaze	28Deli Dog German Kraut Potato Salad Sliced Peaches Oatmeal Raisin Cookie
Monday		6Roasted Chicken with Potatoes & Veggies Cottage Cheese Strawberry Parfait	13 Beef Pot Pie Buttered Beets Citrus Fruit Salad Chocolate Chip Cookie	20Hot Turkey Sandwich Mashed Potatoes Golden Corn Cranberry Fluff Pumpkin Bar	27Pork Tips Over Pasta Asparagus Creamy Cucumbers Black Cherries
Sunday		5Salisbury Steak Brown Rice & Gravy Asparagus Tossed Vegetable Salad Peach Pie	12Smothered Chicken Garlic Fettuccine Glazed Carrots Broccoli Salad Cherry Pie	19Baked Ham Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Hearty Tossed Salad Apple Pie	26French Dip Baked Potato California Vegetables Pea Salad Lemon Meringue



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MORE FROM AROUND THE CENTER

Another Change:
"Senior Chat" is also being renovated.
The name of the program will be:
S.A.I.L.—Seniors Active in Learning

Presentation Schedule:

December

4th-Colleen Burridge with Science Zone

11th-Dr. Nick Loughlin, U.W. Resident

18th—Cyndi Brainard, Epsilon

25th-CLOSED

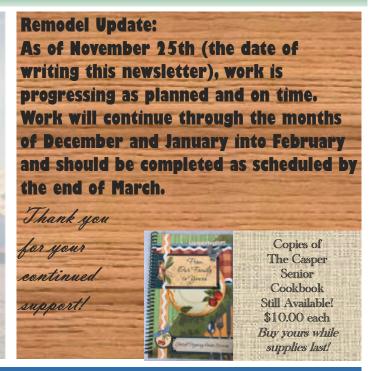
January

1st-CLOSED

8th-Sandra Martinez, Frontier Home Health

22nd-TBA

29th-TBA



Physical rehabilitation, for people in need, is offered at many different levels in the State of Wyoming. It is important to educate your self or your loved one on which of the following options may be most appropriate for your situation.

- Outpatient Therapy a physician's order is needed to be evaluated for outpatient therapy and, depending on your insurance, a preauthorization may be needed before outpatient therapy can begin. You will need to be able to travel to/from the therapy office in order to participate in this program. If there are any insurance/Medicare co-pays, these should be identified prior to admission.
- ♦ Home Health Therapy a physician's order is required for this level of therapy. A person must be deemed home bound in order to be considered for home health services. Once approved, both skilled nursing services and therapy services can come to your home. If there are any insurance/Medicare co-pays, these should be identified prior to admission.
- Swing bed/TCU if the person has Medicare, a (3) midnight hospitalization (as an inpatient status, NOT observation status) is required. If this requirement is met, and the patient is accepted to that bed, then the patient can be in the hospital receiving rehabilitation for the length of time deemed by their insurance. If the (3) midnight qualification is not met, then there may be an opportunity to private pay this service (this option is determined by the individual facility). If there are any insurance/Medicare copays, these should be identified prior to admission.
- Skilled Nursing Facility if the person has Medicare, a (3) midnight hospitalization (as an inpatient status, NOT observation status) is required. If this requirement is met, and the patient is accepted by that facility, then the patient will be transferred for rehabilitation services. If the (3) midnight qualification is not met, then there may be an opportunity to private pay this service (this option is determined by the individual facility). If there are any insurance/Medicare co-pays, these should be identified prior to admission.
- Acute Care Rehabilitation Hospital no physician order or (3) midnight stay is required by Medicare. If a person needs physical rehabilitation, either they or their loved can call the facility and request an evaluation. Once a request has been made, a clinician will be assigned to complete the evaluation (this may be done either with a home evaluation or via phone and faxed medical records). Upon completion of the evaluation, the information is given to their Medical Director to determine if the patient will qualify under Medicare guidelines. If the patient is accepted, they will come to the facility and admit for therapy. If there are any insurance/Medicare co-pays, these should be identified prior to admission.

To help identify the option best suited for your situation, it is recommended that you reach out to your primary physician or local senior center for more information.

Tera Brown, RN, Clinical Liason Elkhorn Valley Rehabilitation Hospital, Casper WY

MORE REASONS TO CELEBRATE



December (Bingo's Birthday

Month)

30th-Bacon Day

5th—Repeal Day (of Prohibition)
7th—Pearl Harbor Day
13th—Ice Cream Day
21st—Look on the Bright Side Day
28th—Card Playing Day

January (Blood Donor Month)

3rd—Festival of Sleep Day

8th-National Take the Stairs Day

10th-Houseplant Appreciation Day

15th–National Hat Day

24th-Compliment Day

31st-Backwards Day

Famous Birthdates

December

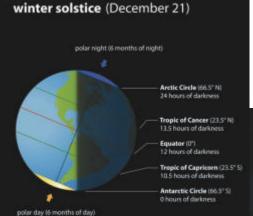
1, 1945—Bette Middler 5, 1901—Walt Disney 13,1818—Mary Todd Lincoln 24,1931—Mary Higgins Clark 30,1975—Tiger Woods

January

8, 1935—Elvis Presley 17,1942—Mohammad Ali 19,1946—Dolly Parton 26,1880—Douglas MacArthur 29,1954—Oprah Winfrey



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Sunday	Monday	Sunday Monday Tuesday W	lay Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11AM-1PM (DR)	10AM-11AM (AR)	9:15AM-9:45AM (AR)	7AM-BAM (CONF)	9AM-10AM (DR)	10AM-11AM (AR)	8AM-9AM (AR)
Sunday Lunch	Chair Exercise	Chair Yoga	Reveille Rotary	Golden Kiwanis Coffee	Chair Exercise	Weight Watchers
2PM-3PM (DR)	10:50AM-11:15AM (DF)	10AM-11AM (CONF)	9:15AM-10:15AM (CNF)	9AM-12PM (CR)	12PM-4PM (DR)	
Mexican Train	Beginner Clogging	Golden Kiwanis	Senior s Active in Learning	American Heritage Quilters	Canasta	
Dominoes	11:15AM-12:15PM (AR)	10AM-11AM (DF)	10AM-11AM (AR)	9:15AM-9:45AM	12:30PM-4PM (AR)	
3PM-5PM (AR)	Intermediate Clogging	Line Dancing	Chair Exercise	Chair Yoga	Big Bridge	
Bible Study	Bible Study 1:15PM-2:30PM (AR)	10AM-2PM (DR)	1PM-4PM (AR)	10:30AM-11:30AM (AR)	12:30PM-4PM (DR)	
	Tai Chi	Wellness Clinic	Quilts of Valor	Clogging	Pinochle (w/ Rose)	
	2PM-3PM (DR)	7PM-10PM (CR)	6PM-7PM (AR)	12:30PM-4PM (CR/DR)	12:30PM-4PM (CR)	
	Mexican Train Dominoes	Casper Chess Club	Weight Watchers	Pinochle	Pinochle (w/ Doug)	
	2:30PM-3:30PM (AR)			12:30PM-2PM (CONF)		
	Tai Chi for Arthritis			BINGO		
	4PM -5:30PM (CONF)			1:15PM-2:30PM (AR)		
	Bible Study			Tai Chi		
	6PM-9PM (CONF)			2PM-3PM (DR)		
	Binding Friends			Mexican Train Dominoes		
	7PM-9PM (DR/DF)			2:30PM-3:30PM		
	Dance Club			Tai Chi for Arthritis		
				7PM-10PM (DR/DF)		
				Square Dance		
MOTE.	[3rd] 10AM-1PM (CR)	[1st/3rd] 11:30AM-4PM	[3rd] 10:10AM-11:55AM	[1st/3rd] 10AM—11AM	[Alt 2nd] 9AM-4PM	[2nd] 9AM-2PM (CNF)
	DAR Supplement	(DR) Bridge w/ Margi	(CONF) KW Retired Ladies	(CNF) WY Dementia Care	(CNF)	Casper Cut Ups
Locations subject		[4th] 12PM-2PM (CONF)	Book Club	Support	AARP 55-Alive Driving	[3rd] 10AM-12PM
to change due to	[2nd] 10AM-12PM (CR)	NARFE	[2nd/4th] 11:30A-4PM	[1st] 1:30PM-3:30PM	Course	(CONF) Garden Club
	Low Vision Support Group	[3rd/4th] 1:30P-3:30PM	(DR) Bridge w/ Margi	(DR) Golden Girls		
stage of the	[4th] 2PM-3PM (CONF)	(LIB) Sewing Club	[4th] 12:30PM-4PM	[2nd] 7PM-9PM (CONF)		
remodel. Please	CWSS Board Meeting	CWSS Board Meeting [2nd] 6PM-10PM (AR)	(CR) Caps for Kids	American Legion		
1.4.1		Casper Cut Ups	[2nd] 12PM-4PM (CR)			
s check activity		[4th] 6PM-10PM (CONF)	Bridge (w/ Ronnie&Donna)			
board for more		Casper Cut Ups	[4th] 12PM-4PM (DR)			
Sinformation on		[3rd] 7:15PM-9:15PM	Bridge (w/ Ronnie&Donna)			
1 4. 4		(CNF) Casper Needle Guild	[1st/3rd] 12:30P-3:30P			
adys of activities!			(CR) Bridge (w/ Betty)			

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