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Senior Services, Inc.



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The Senior Center will host the Veterans Museum presenting a special program beginning at 10AM. We hope to see you there!

In honor of all who have served our country to keep us safe and free, an anonymous donor has donated meals to veterans of all ages at the Senior Center on

Friday, November 11, 2022.

Please stop by the Front Office to pick up a card to drop in the box.



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Central Wyoming Senior Services Mission Statement

Our mission is to enrich the lives of individuals aged 60 and older by providing Community services and resources to maintain their dignity and independence.

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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 29,000 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.

From the Desk of the President:

We are pleased to announce that Aimee Ottley has accepted the position of Executive Director effective October 3, 2022. Aimee has been the Executive Director of Uinta Senior Citizens Center in Evanston, Wyoming for the last four years. She was also the Community Liaison for the same organization for a year. She has 20 years of experience in Marketing, Media, and Management. More importantly, she truly enjoys working with Seniors and is committed to continuing to make improvements at our Center.

Our monthly event for October is Oktoberfest on October 3, 2022, with a performance by Vaughn Cronin and Gloria Bitzan (11:30am) and by the Cloggers (12:00pm). Also watch for a Costume Contest on Halloween. Speakers this month will be Kate Maxwell and Erin McNicoll from Hilltop Bank presenting "Title Your Assets" on October 13, 2022 at 12:00pm.

We hope that you enjoy this month's events/speakers. We always welcome volunteers, new members, and your comments regarding the Center.

Best wishes,

Linda Blackstone

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MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

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Wyoming Home Services is a program that provides assistance to an individual in their home.

Services include housekeeping, personal care, respite, and care coordination.

National Family Caregiver Program provides assistance to caregivers who are taking care of a loved one.

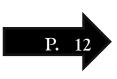
Services include homemaking, personal care, respite, and care coordination.

Any questions? *Come see Lacey or Alicia!* Or give us a call at (307) 265-4678.

Last Edition Answers:









Answer to the Sept. Riddle: The letter **R**!





Copies of the Senior Center Cookbook still available! Marked down by 40%, NOW \$6.00 each! Get yours today! Let's make way for another edition!

Board Meeting Schedule: (All meetings are public)

Fourth Monday of each month 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.

RIDDLE

Marking mortal privation, when firmly in place, an enduring summation inscribed on my face.

What am I?

Let the front office know the correct answer for your chance to win a free week of lunches!!

Meal Prices:

Suggested donation for a senior meal is \$6.00. 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 our guests under the age of 60 need to <u>purchase</u> a single meal ticket at the reception desk for \$9.00. (See the notices posted.) When you invite a non-senior guest, please stop by the front desk to purchase their meal ticket

Thank you for your support of our meal program!

Meal Times:

Casper: 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Mills: Noon to 1:00 PM
Evansville: Noon to 1:00 PM
Reservations Required at the
Mills and Evansville Sites

MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

October 3rd Oktoberfest 11AM—1PM Lunch

Music & Clogging Performance

October 13th

12:00PM Hilltop Bank Presentation "Title Your Assets"

October 31st 11AM—1PM Lunch Halloween Costume Contest

> November 15th 12:15PM

Lance Neiberger Suicide Awareness

November 23rd 11AM—1PM Thanksgiving Celebration

Around the Center

Tew Member Welcome: in Déjà Rrew

Second Tuesday of every month, 10AM-11AM

Ways to Show Support:

Do you shop at Smith's? Sign up for Kroger **Community Rewards and** select CWSS! Orq.#WT634

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SPOTLIGHT

http://famousredwoods.com/redwood_national_park/

REDWOOD NATIONAL PARK

Redwood National Park, America's 34th national park, was established on October 2, 1968, when President Lyndon B. Johnson signed legislation which preserved 91 square miles of old-growth coast redwood forest in Northern California and associated creeks, rivers, and coastline for "purposes of public inspiration, enjoyment, and scientific study." The new park boundary encompassed three existing California state parks: Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park, Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park, and Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park.

On March 27, 1978, Redwood National Park nearly doubled in size, expanding by 75 square miles, when President James E. "Jimmy" Carter signed legislation which preserved additional tracts of coast redwood forest (much of which had already been logged) along Redwood Creek and its tributaries and protected existing tracts from damaging effects of logging operations upslope and upstream to create "a more meaningful Redwood National Park for the use and enjoyment of visitors." In 1994, the National Park Service and California Department of Parks and Recreation agreed to manage Redwood National Park and 3 neighboring state redwood parks together as Redwood National and State Parks.

On December 20, 2005, Redwood National Park expanded for the last time after President George W. Bush signed legislation adding the 39-square mile Mill Creek Addition, which included the upper Mill Creek and Rock Creek watersheds, to the park.

On September 5, 1980, the united Nations designated Redwood National and State Parks a World Heritage Site and, on June 30, 1983, declared the parks part of the California Coast Ranges Biosphere Reserve.

Today, Redwood National and State Parks encompass more than 206 square miles of terrain and include nearly 61 square miles of old-growth coast redwood forest which represents 45% of remaining old-growth coast redwoods on Earth. Redwood National Park contains more than 200 miles of hiking trails and receives over 500,000 visitors annually.

Redwood National Park includes:

5 of the 10 tallest trees on earth:

Hyperion, the world's tallest tree at over 380.81 feet

4 former world's tallest trees:

Harry Cole (366+ ft), Helios (377+ ft),

Howard Libby (362+ ft), & Nugget (373+ ft)

3 of the 30 largest coast redwoods:

ARCo Giant (262+ ft tall, 22.5 ft wide)

Melkor (348+ ft tall, 22.4 ft wide)

Redwood Creek Giant
(360+ ft tall, 17.2 ft wide)

The park contains 36 trees taller than 350 feet, along with:

The oldest coast redwood

The 3rd & 5th fastest growing redwoods

The tallest tree discovered by light detection and ranging (LiDAR)

And so much more!

(1) e would love

to share

your story

in our special

Veterans Day

edition of

the newsletter!



CALLING ALL VETERANS

We would love to hear from you! In honor of Veterans Day on November 11th, we are putting together a tribute to veterans. We want your stories!

Please share with us:

- when you served
- what branch you served in
- what serving our country meant to you
- PHOTOS WELCOME

PLEASE RESPOND BY: OCTOBER 15TH

You may email submissions to: raea@casperseniorcenter.com Paper submissions can be turned in at the front desk.



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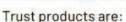
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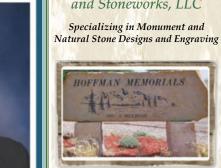
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Note: This is a list for Gifts & Memorials given between August 25th—September 22nd, 2022. If donations were made between those dates and you were not recognized, please see the office.



John Savage Frank C Stofflet Ila Johnstone Arthur & Carla Austin

What Your Memorial Does

The Board of Directors has directed that memorial gifts are to be spent only on items of lasting value, not general operations. When we last expanded the Center, we used memorial gifts to match One Cent and other money. Just note on your check that the gift is a memorial and the person you wish to be remembered.

Memorials

Bill Clouse

Mary C Moler Lucy Schoenewald

Clint HopkinsLucy Schoenewald

Mary Hiser Hammon Carl & Emma Closs

Barbara Deshler
Lucy Schoenewald

Before It's Time to Go to Bed

by Annette Wynne

"Before it's time to go to bed, Let's have a feast," October said, "Let's call our family all together, And celebrate this pleasant weather"; Then every leaf put on her best, And each small shrub most richly dressed, In red and gold and orange, too, And many another party hue. The party lasted day and night, Until the leaves were tired quite, "O Mother Dear," at last each said, "It's time for us to go to bed; Dear Mother Tree, good-night to you!" Then loosed her hand and off it flew, And every little sleepy head Soon settled in the garden bed, And dreamed the dreams that flowers do And slept and slept the winter through.

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Name
Birthdate

Courtesy of C.W.S.S.

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OCTOBER Holidays Adopt a Shelter Dog Month National Popcorn Poppin' Month International Drum Month

4—National Frappe Day

9-Fire Prevention Day

16—Dictionary Day

22–Smart is Cool Day

28-Frankenstein Friday

Fun OCTOBER Facts!

- The famous "October Revolution" led by the Bolsheviks in Russia in 1917 actually happened in November, but until then the Russians hadn't started using the Gregorian calendar.
- *Keep an eye out for the **Draconid meteor***hower on October 9th and the **Orionid***meteor *hower October 21st—22nd!
- Weather folklore:
 - -When deer are in a gray coat in October, expect a hard winter.
 - ~Much rain in Oct, much wind in December.
 - ~A warm October means a cold February.
- The Saxons called October Wyn Monath, meaning "wine month," because it was the time of year for making wine.
- Opal (October's birthstone) deposits have been discovered on Mars!





HEALTH BENEFITS

MEDICINAL PROPERTIES

Anti-inflammatory, Cardioprotective

Main Applications

- Treating common skin conditions
- Promoting heart health
- Reducing prostate gland enlargment

Supportive Compounds

- Cucurbitacin E
- Sterols,
- Beta-carotene

Medicinal Actions

Cucurbitacin E is thought to be responsible for the antioxidant and anti-inflammatory properties of pumpkin, helping reduce **Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH)**. On the other hand, **sterols** contribute to prevent cardiovascular diseases by reducing cholesterol levels and lowering blood pressure, and **beta-carotene** helps prevent skin degenerative diseases, also promoting the natural formation of collagen.

How to Use Pumpkin

- COOKED
- ROASTED
- LIQUID EXTRACT
- OIL
- CAPSULES



Did you know?

The consumption of pumpkin is recommended to relieve the symptoms of **Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS)**, as well as for **maintaining eye health** due to its high amount of vitamin A.

Source: herbazest.com - For informational purposes only.

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Saturday	[®]		MEALS COME WITH MILK & BREAD		MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE
Friday	7Fish Florentine Brown Rice Glazed Carrots Ambrosia Fruit Orange Wedge	14Clam Chowder Egg Salad Sandwich Broccoli Almond Slaw Apricot Halves	21 Roasted Root Vegetables Minnesota Green Beans Winter Berry Parfait Cheese Onion Roll Orange Juice	28Lemon Tilapia 29 Tomato Pasta Green Beans Almondine Cottage Cheese Diced Pears	
Thursday	6 Baked Chicken Butternut Squash Broccoli Strawberries	13Chicken & Noodles Green Beans Almandine Dill Cucumber Salad Coconut Cream Pudding	20 BBQ Pork Meatballs Rice Pilaf Classic Mix Veggies Tossed Veg Salad Baked Apples	27Spaghetti Italian Veggies Mixed Green Salad Garlic Roll Strawberry Jell-O	
Wednesday	5Western Egg Bake Breakfast Sausage Potato Medley Tossed Green Salad Tropical Fruit Boston Brown Bread	12Beef Taco Lettuce & Tomatoes Spanish Rice Cool Corn Salad Oatmeal Raisin Cookie	19Pork Chow Mein Fried Rice Brussels Sprouts Carrot Raisin Salad Blueberry Melon Salad	26 Lamb Stew Carrot Raisin Salad Corn Bread Fruit Cup	
Tuesday	4Porcupine Meatballs Brown Rice Key West Vegetables Fresh Carrot Sticks Blueberries	11Ham & Scalloped Potato Casserole Garden Mix Veggies Tossed Vegetable Salad Fresh Apple	18Cream of Celery Soup Turkey Salad Sandwich Pea Salad Tropical Fruit	25Beef Wellington Corn Cobbette Creamy Coleslaw Pineapple Upside Down Cake	
Monday	3 OKTOBERFEST Bratwurst & Kraut Or Runza German Potato Salad Apple Cake	10Swiss Steak Mashed Potatoes Roasted Asparagus Pepper Slaw Fluffy Fruit Cup	17Beef Pot Pie Brussels Sprouts Dill Cucumbers Sliced Peaches	24Chicken Enchiladas Refried Beans Spanish Rice Lettuce & Tomatoes Diced Peaches	31BBQ Beef Sandwich Sweet Potato Tots Baked Beans Celery Stix Diced Pears Oatmeal Cake
Sunday	2Hot Beef Sandwich Mashed Potatoes Winter Blend Tossed Green Salad California Fruit	9Pork Roast Brown Rice Country Blend Tossed Salad Peach Pie	16Oven Fried Chicken Sweet Potatoes Pacific Blend Veggies Mandarin Oranges Gingerbread Cake	23Baked Ham Roasted Potatoes California Veggies Applesauce Brownie	30Beef & Noodles Sliced Carrots Chop'd Lettuce Salad Rice Pudding











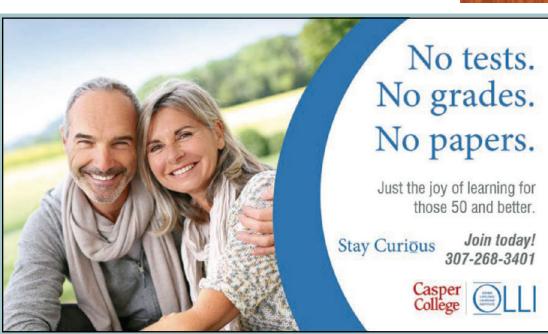


"I have been younger in October than in all the months of spring." -W.S. Merwin

United Way of Natrona County















How to Tell When Pumpkins Are Ripe

September 13, 2022 | https://www.almanac.com/when-pumpkins-ripe

One of many traditions in the fall is pumpkin picking! Whether you're growing your own or visiting a pumpkin patch, know how to tell when a pumpkin is ripe for the picking.

How do you know when a pumpkin is ripe and ready for harvest?

- 1. Color: Look for a pumpkin that has a deep-orange color.
- 2. Give Them a Thump: Knock on the pumpkin to check that it is hollow (therefore ripe).
- 3. The Skin is Hard: Use a fingernail and gently push into the skin; it should dent it but not puncture it.
- 4. A Hard Stem: When a pumpkin is ripe, it's stem is also hard. Check that the stem is also secure but never pick a pumpkin up from the stem! It may break off, which leads to faster decay.
- 5. Make sure the bottom of the pumpkin isn't soft and mushy! Also, if you are carving the pumpkin, make sure that the bottom is flat so that it doesn't roll.

If you want your pumpkin to last months instead of weeks, cure it by keeping the pumpkin(s) in a dry, warm place such as a greenhouse, a sunroom, your doorstep, or a sunny windowsill for at least 2 weeks. Then carefully turn the fruit(s) upside down and leave for another 2 weeks.



ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE*

*If you don't see your activity, please call for details!

Activity	Day(s)	Time(s)
American Heritage Quilters	Wednesday	9:00AM—12:00PM (AR)
Bible Study	Monday	3:30PM—4:30PM (CNF)
BINGO!	Thursday	12:30PM—2:00PM (CNF)
Bridge	Tues/Wed/Fri	12:00PM&12:30PM—4:00PM (DR/AR)
Canasta	Friday	12:00PM—4:00PM (DR)
Caps for Kids	4th Wednesday	12:30PM—4:00PM (AR)
Casper Antiques Collectors Club	3rd Thursday	5:15PM—8:30PM (CNF)
Casper Cut-Ups	2nd Saturday	9:00AM—2:00PM (CNF)
Casper Needle Guild	3rd Tuesday	7:15PM—9:15PM (CNF)
Chair Exercise	Mon/Wed/Fri	10:00AM—11:00AM (DF)
Chair Yoga	Tues/Thurs	9:15AM—9:45AM (AR)
Clogging	Monday Thursday	10:30AM—11:45AM (AR) 10:30AM—11:30AM (DF)
Couples Dance	Monday	6:00PM—8:00PM (DF)
Craft Class	Tuesday (Mills) Thursday (Main)	10:30AM—12:00PM <i>Mills</i> 10:00AM—12:00PM (AR)
Cribbage	Wednesday	1:00PM—3:00PM (Déjà Brew)
Doll Club	1st Saturday	2:00PM—4:00PM (CNF)
Evening Tai Chi	Tuesday/Thursday	4:30PM—5:30PM (DF)
Grief Support Group	2nd/4th Monday	5:00PM—7:00PM (AR)
Line Dancing	Tuesday	10:00AM—11:00AM (DF)
Mexican Train Dominoes	Sun/Mon/Thurs	1:00PM—?4PM? (DR)
Native American Flute Circle	Wednesday	3:00PM—4:00PM
Pinochle	Thurs/Fri	12:30PM—4:00PM (DR)
Poker	Mon/Wed/Fri	1:00PM—4:00PM (DR)
Tai Chi <i>Limited Availability, please call!</i>	Tues/Thurs	1:30PM—2:30PM (AR)
VA Caregiver (<i>Please call)</i>	2nd Tuesday	11:00AM—12:00PM (CNF)
Weight Watchers	Saturday	8:30AM—10:00AM (DR)
Wellness Clinic	Tues (Main)/Thurs (Sites)	10:00AM—2:00PM(DR)/12P—1P (Sites)
WY Dementia Care Support Group	1st/3rd Thursday	10:00AM—11:00AM (CNF)



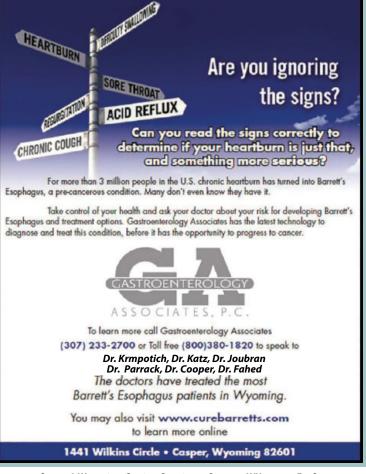
The Senior Center Mourns Our Favorite Smart Aleck

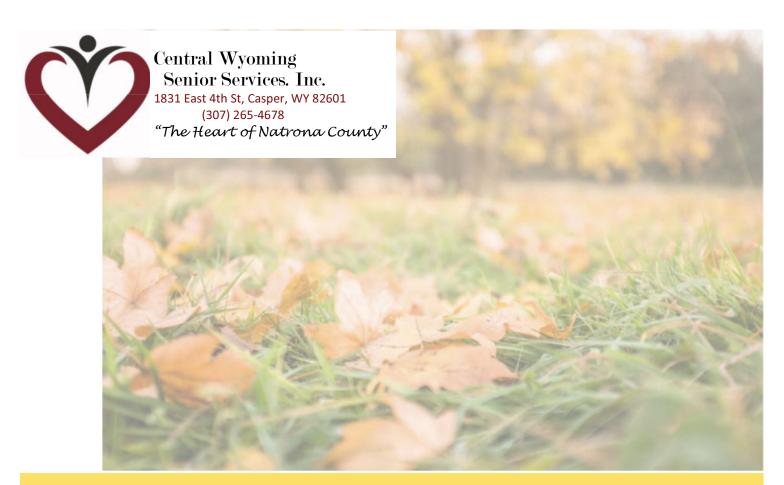
Clint Hopkins was a fixture around the Senior Center, volunteering in the dining room and making our members smile. We will miss his generosity, his wit, and especially his clever t-shirt collection.

Thank you, Clint, for all you did!









PARTING THOUGHTS

"October is a symphony of permanence and change."

- American psychologist/author/poet Bonaro W. Overstreet -

NOTICE: The weekly puzzles are intended for individual use and to be turned in by clients coming into the center for activity sign in purposes. Please help us continue to keep such activities free by taking only one or making a donation for additional copies.

Thank you!

THANK YOU for the continuing support!
The Board of Directors and staff appreciate your patience during this time of change!

Help Wanted!

We are so thankful to our volunteer force, especially during the lunch hour:

11:00 AM-1:00 PM.

We are also working on adding some volunteer opportunities.

If you are interested, please see the office.

