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Central Wyoming
Senior Services, Inc.



## SEPTEMBER 2023

"The Heart of Natrona County"

1831 4th Street
Casper, Wyoming 82601
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Let the front office know the answer for entry into the drawing for a free week of lunches!!

Hidden Twice, Find Both for Two Entries!

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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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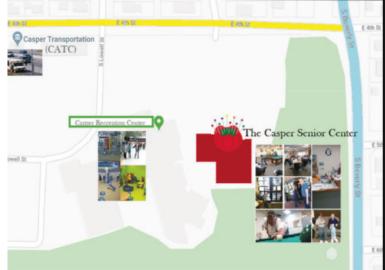
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Facebook.com/pages/Casper-Senior-Center

## **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.

## A Letter from the Desk of the President:

Central Wyoming Senior Services will be the featured organization at Beacon Club's Thankful Thursday on September 21, 2023 at 5:00pm. Aimee, the Future Planning Committee, the Board, and Staff are preparing nice packages for the auction. All proceeds will go to the Center. This will be another nice fundraiser for us.

Kim and the kitchen staff are planning a nice Labor Day Barbecue Lunch on September 1, 2023. Please come and join us.

Mark your calendars for 11:00am on September 15 for a presentation by Elkhorn Valley Rehabilitation Center on preventing falls. More than one-third of people 65 and older fall each year. In addition, 20% of falls cause serious injury, and 95% of hip fractures are caused by falls. Learn how to lower your risk for a fall on September 15, 2023, immediately after chair exercise class.

As always, if you have suggestions for speakers or improvements at the Center, please let me or a staff member know.

Best wishes,

Linda Blackstone

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## WAYS TO



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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.







Answer to the August Riddle: A Bowling Ball!



Board Meeting Schedule: (All meetings are public)

Fourth Monday of each month at 3:00 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**

Always a part, never a whole, watch me shrink as half of me grows.

## What am I?

Let the front office know the correct answer for your chance to win a 5-punch lunch ticket!!

### **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 bonus 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:**

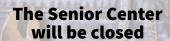
Casper: 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM Evansville: Noon to 1:00 PM Mills: Noon to 1:00pm

Reservations Required at the Mills and Evansville Sites

MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

## Around the Center

LABOR DAY BBQ FRIDAY, SEPT. 1ST



Sunday, September 3rd Monday, September 4th

> in observation of **Labor Day 2023**



The Compassionate pporting Family After a Child Dies

Quarterly Meeting Wednesday, September 6th

Meets 1st Wednesday March/September/December & Summer BBQ in June

7PM in Conference Room

New Member Coffee

2nd Tuesday of Every Month 10AM in Déjà Brew

> NEXT DATE: September 12th

Joyce's Easy Clogging by Joyce Sisk

Call (307) 237-4908 for more information.

FREE, Every Monday at the Senior Center 10:30 am-10:45 am Learn Steps 10:45 am-11:45 am Dance Routines

We DO NOT Jump, Stand on One Foot, or Go Around in Circles.

## SATURDAY DANCE

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## SPOTLIGHT

What happened in 1908? Major News:

**Year in Review** 

- → January 13—Henri Farman becomes the first person to fly an observed circuit of more than 1KM, winning the Grand Prix d'Aviation
- ★ Star #46 is added to the US flag honoring the admission of Oklahoma to the Union on November 16, 1907
- ★ March 5—First documented ascent of Mt. Erebus, Antarctica by mountaineers from Shackleton's Nimrod Expedition
- → April 5—American actress Bette Davis (*Jezebel*; *All About Eve*) born in Lowell, Massachuesetts
- → May 23—Dirigible explodes over San Francisco Bay: 16 passengers fall, none are killed
- → June 12—Lusitania crosses Atlantic in record 4 days, 15 hours (Liverpool, England—NYC)
- → June 30—A giant fireball, most likely caused by the air burst of a large meteoroid or comet, flattens 80 million trees near Stony Tunguska River in Yeniseysk Governorate, Russia, in the largest impact event in recorded history
- → July 1—"SOS" (···--··) distress signal becomes the worldwide standard for help
- → August 12—Henry Ford's company builds the first Model T car
- → August 17—Bank of Italy (now Bank of America) opens new HQ in the Bank of Italy building at Clay & Montgomery in San Francisco
- ✦ September 9—Orville Wright makes 1st 1-hour airplane flight at Fort Myer, VA
- ★ September 16—Carriage-maker William C. Durant founds General Motors (Flint, MI)
- ◆ September 27—First Ford Model T automobile leaves the Piquette Plant, Detroit, MI
- → October 14—Chicago Cubs beat Detroit Tigers to clinch World Series title 4-1
- ✦ November 3—William Howard Taft is elected the 27th United States President
- → December 2—Child Emperor Pu Yi ascends the Chinese throne at age 2

## **Anne of Green Gables**

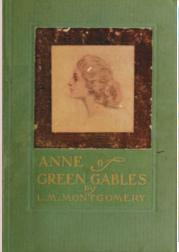
by Lucy Maud Montgomery
https://www.biblio.com/anne-of-green-gables-by-montgomery-l-m/work/6786

Anne of Green Gables is the first novel by Canadian author Lucy Maud Montgomery. The story tells of the adventures of Anne Shirley, an 11-year-old orphan girl who is mistakenly sent to Matthew and Marilla Cuthbert, a middle-aged brother and sister who had intended to adopt a boy to help them on their farm in Prince Edward Island.

Like many of her contemporaries, Montgomery did not consider submitting her first novel to a Canadian publisher, convinced that a more lucrative deal could be made with an American firm. The novel was completed in 1905, but was rejected by four major American publishing houses, and it was not until 1907 that Montgomery found a publisher.

Anne of Green Gables was first published by L.C. Page & Co. in Boston in 1908. Bound in green cloth, true first editions state "First Impression, April 1908" on the copyright page and contain 8 illustrations by M.A. and W.A.J. Claus. In 2009, a first edition of Anne of Green Gables sold for \$37,500 at a New York auction.

Anne of Green Gables has sold more than 50 million copies and has been translated into more than 30 languages. Following the success of her first novel, Montgomery went on to write seven more books about Anne, following the beloved protagonist through adulthood and motherhood. Several novels in the series have been adapted and made into a successful television miniseries. Montgomery museums, plays, and houses on Prince Edward Island draw international visitors.





Senior Paint Party!

Instruction by:





September 20th 1:30PM

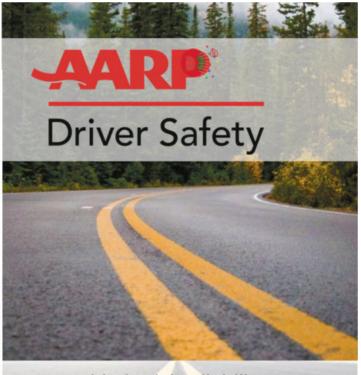
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## Notes from the Kitchen

## Do Memory Problems Always Mean Alzheimer's Disease?

https://www.nia.nih.gov/health/do-memory-problems-always-mean-alzheimers-disease

Many people worry about becoming forgetful. They think forgetfulness is the first sign of Alzheimer's disease. But not all people with memory problems have Alzheimer's.

Other causes for memory problems can include aging, medical conditions, emotional problems, mild cognitive impairment, or another type of dementia.

### Age-related memory changes

Forgetfulness can be a normal part of aging. As people get older, changes occur in all parts of the body, including the brain. As a result, some people may notice that it takes longer to learn new things, they don't remember information as well as they did, or they lose things like their glasses. These usually are signs of mild forgetfulness, not serious memory problems, like Alzheimer's disease.

## **FORGETFULNESS**

Normal or Not?

Many people can become more forgetful as they age.

How can you tell the difference between

mild forgetfulness



like Alzheimer's disease?

### Memory loss related to medical conditions

Certain medical conditions can cause serious memory problems. These problems should go away once a person gets treatment. Medical conditions that may cause memory problems include:

## See what's typical and what's not:

### NORMAL AGING

- Making a bad decision once in a while
- Missing a monthly payment
- Forgetting which day it is and remembering later
- Sometimes forgetting which word to use
- Losing things from time to time

### ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

- Making poor judgments and decisions a lot of the time
- Problems taking care of monthly bills
- Losing track of the date or time of year
- Trouble having a conversation
- Misplacing things often and being unable to find them

- Tumors, blood clots, or infections in the brain
- Some thyroid, kidney, or liver disorders
- → Drinking too much alcohol
- → Head injury, such as a concussion from a fall or accident
- Medication side effects
- ➤ Not eating enough healthy foods, or too few vitamins and minerals in a person's body (like vitamin B12)



Visit www.nia.nih.gov/understanding-memory-loss for more information about forgetfulness and memory loss.



# MEAL CALENDAR

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					BBQ Ribs BBQ Ribs Potato Salad Baked Beans Corn On The Cob Root Beer Float	2
CLOSED in observance of LABOR DAY	CLOSED Happy LABOR DAY	5Roast Beef Mashed Potatoes Roasted Cauliflower Dill Cucumbers Wheat Roll Fresh Peaches	6Turkey Pot Pie Bean Medley Tomato Basil Salad Brown Bread Red Grapes	7Deli Wrap Pasta Salad Fresh Vegetables Spiced Peach Parfait Summer Squash Salad	8Baked Tilapia Sweet Potatoes Herb Roasted Tomatoes Mandarin Spinach Salad Honey Wheat Biscuit Pistachio Cake	ത
10Roast Turkey Mashed Potatoes Sliced Carrots Cranberry Apple Sauce Tossed Salad   Wheat Roll Pumpkin Pie	11Spanish Steak Garlic Fettuccine Spinach Sunflower Bread Apricots Lemon Pudding	12Chef's Salad Sliced Cucumbers Tomatoes Hard Boiled Egg Berry Muffin Gingered Pears   OJ	13Chicken & Dumplings Roasted Cauliflower Green Salad Strawberries/Bananas Raisin Bread	14Lasagna Green Beans & Onions Caesar Salad Garlic Bread Stick Fruit Whip	15/Vegetable Soup Tuna Salad Cold Plate Whole Wheat Crackers Fresh Pineapple Oatmeal Raisin Cookie	16 MEALS INCLUDE MILK & BREAD
17Pork Roast Oven Brown Potatoes Peas & Carrots Tossed Salad Apple Pie	18Chicken Chow Mein Fried Rice Sesame Green Beans Asian Cucumbers Almond Cookie	19Baked Ham Scalloped Potatoes Corn Whole Wheat Roll Carrot Cake	20Pepper Cheese Soup Chicken Salad Sandwich On Wheat Bread Orange Wedge Apple Crisp	21Lamb Tips Mashed Potatoes Asparagus Lettuce Wedge Wheat Bread Chocolate Pudding	22Salmon Fillet Macaroni & Cheese Roasted Broccoli Cole Slaw Corn Bread Orange Sherbet	33
24Beef Pepper Steak Brown Rice Zucchini Bake Coleslaw Wheat Roll Blueberry Crisp	25Pork & Noodles Buttered Beets Pea Salad Cheddar Biscuit Baked Apples	<b>26</b> Soft Shell Tacos Black Beans Spanish Rice Feta Corn Salad Brownie	27Chicken Parmesan Garlic Pasta Braised Cabbage Creamy Cucumbers Garlic Toast Orange Jell-O Whip	28Pork Chop Oven Brown Potatoes Corn O'Brien 3 Bean Salad Rosy Applesauce	29 Happy Birthday Meal! Oven Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes Stewed Tomatoes Calod Barr Strawberry Shortcake	30 MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE

## World Senior Citizens Day Information Fair

2023

Please join us in thanking the Vendors who joined us in making the 3rd Annual World Senior Citizens Day Information Fair such a success!

Antelope Health Center
Aspire Home Health
Banner Health—WMC & Volunteers
Banner Health Volunteers
The Bullock Agency
Casper Home Health
Casper Mountain Rehab & Care Center
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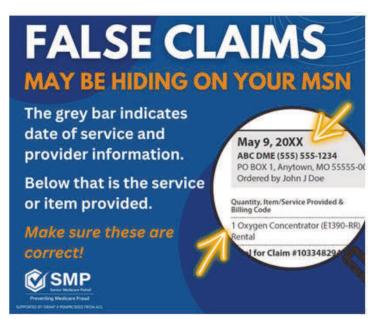












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To learn more about reading your MSN and how to report something that seems odd, call the Wyoming Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) at 1-800-856-4398, or visit:

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If donations were made between those dates and you were not recognized,
please see the office.

### 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**

Elane Burkhalter
Ron & Rachel Brown
Errol Miller

Janet Field
Lucy Schoenewald

Clint Hopkins
Helen Hoff

Joan Leff Lucy Schoenewald

## Gift;

Frank C Stofflet
Dave C Gossin
Janet Hilde
Doris Graf
John Savage
Brighter Horizons



\* PATRIOT DAY \*

"What separates us from the animals, what separates us from the chaos, is our ability to mourn people we've never met."

~Author David Levithan

## How do leaves get from place to place? In their autumn-mobile!

If you are 60 or older with a birthday in September, bring this coupon to the front office for your meal ticket.

Name:		

Courtesy of C.W.S.S.

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## And Now It's September,

By Barbara Crooker

https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/154125/and-now-its-september

and the garden diminishes: cucumber leaves rumpled and rusty, zucchini felled by borers, tomatoes sparse on the vines. But out in the perennial beds,

there's one last

blast of color; ignitions of goldenrod, flamboyant asters, spiraling mums, all those flashy spikes waving in the wind, conducting summer's final notes.

The ornamental grasses have gone to seed, haloed in the last light. Nights grow chilly, but the days are still warm; I wear the sun like a shawl on my neck and arms. Hundreds of blackbirds ribbon in, settle in the trees, so many black leaves,

then, just as suddenly,

they're gone. This is autumn's great Departure Gate, and everyone, boarding passes in hand, waits patiently in a long, long line.

Reveille Rotary meets on Wednesday mornings at 7 A.M.







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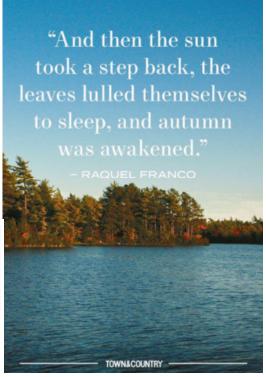








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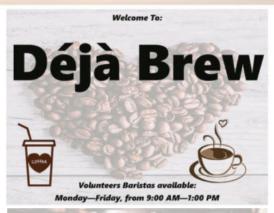




## **ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE\***

Activity	Day(s)	Time(s)
Afternoon Tai Chi	Tuesday/Thursday	3:00PM—4:00PM (AR)
Bible Study	Monday	1PM—3PM (AR)
Binding Friends	Monday	6:00PM—8:00PM (CNF)
BINGO!	Thursday	12:30PM—2:00PM (CNF)
Bridge	Tues/Wed/Fri	12:00PM&12:30PM—4PM (DR/CN
Canasta	Friday	12:00PM—4:00PM (DR)
Caps for Kids	2nd/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)
Chess Club	Tuesday	7:00PM—10:00PM
Clogging	Monday Thursday	10:30AM—11:45AM (AR) 10:30AM—11:30AM (DF)
Coffee with the Board	2nd Tuesday	10AM (Déjà Brew)
Craft Class	Thursday (Main)	10:00AM—12:00PM (AR)
Dance Club	Monday	6:00PM—8:00PM (DF)
Doll Club	2nd Saturday	2:00PM—4:00PM (CNF)
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)
Pinochle	Thurs/Fri	12:30PM—4:00PM (DR)
Poker	Mon/Wed/Fri	1:00PM—4:00PM (DR)
VA Caregiver ( <i>Please call)</i>	2nd Tuesday	11:00AM—12:00PM (CNF)
Wellness Clinic	Tues (Main) Thurs (Sites)	10:00AM—2:00PM(DR) 12P—1P (Sites)
VY Dementia Care Support Group	1st/3rd Thursday	10:00AM—11:00AM (CNF)

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> Thursday, September 21st

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## PARTING THOUGHTS

"I guess I'm just feeling September-ish... All the trees change color, the days get very clear—with a little smoke on the horizon from burning leaves. Pumpkins begin to come out."

~ American Children's Author George Selden

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Thank you!

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## Volunteer Opportunities:

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We cannot stress enough how much we depend on our volunteers.

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Thank You Always!