At the Center Of It All



As 2025 comes to a close we want to thank you for your continued support of the Casper Senior Center. We appreciate your ideas smiles laughten participation and contributions! Did you know that every person attending an event here counts towards funding? It is extremely crucial for us to make sure that everyone is counted. Our doors are open because of grants from state and federal funds. The money we receive each year is based on participation numbers from 2 years ago. Aren't you grateful that our friends that attended back THEN, made sure their number counted for us TODAY? It's just a little something we hope you keep in mind when we are encouraging

> to benefit from and enjoys. That is a lasting legacy we can all be proud of!!!

you to check in ifor any and all activities is envices you are able

special Events you don't want to miss) Lunchtime 50/50 Raffle - The last Monday- Friday of every month. Winning

ticket will be pulled that Friday. (need not be present to win). \$1 each or \$5 for 6.

Monthly Single Seniors Social - To be announced

Volunteer Meeting- January 16@ 1:00

Sock Hop - February 21st 1:30-4:30

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Central Wyoming Senior Services

From the Desk of the Director:

Happy New Year! 🎉

Looking back on 2025, it's incredible to see all that we accomplished together. We won Grand Prize at the Fair and Rodeo Parade, launched senior food pantries at all three senior centers, and kicked off outreach BBQs in Mills and Evansville that brought us closer to the communities we serve. Throughout the year, we also strengthened our presence in the community, building awareness and meaningful connections that continue to support our mission.

With the start of the new year, we also begin our fundraising season. Our 6th Annual Night at the Races will be held on April 18th at the Ramkota Hotel, and we are excited to once again bring the community together for an evening of fun in support of our seniors. You'll see us out in the community in the coming months seeking sponsorships and donations to help make this event a wonderful and successful night.

As we look ahead to 2026, we have even more to celebrate. The Center turns 50 years old! This milestone is a testament to decades of dedication, service, and community support. With strong momentum behind us, we look forward to honoring our history while continuing to grow, innovate, and serve seniors throughout Natrona County for many years to come.

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Our Vision

To enrich the lives of individuals age 60 and older by providing community services and resources to maintain their

DIGNITY

and

INDEPENDENCE.

The personal mission of our Center's Director and Staff is to make every member feel welcome, wanted, included, and loved every time they come through our doors.

Meal Prices:

The suggested donation for a single senior (60+) meal is \$6.00. We offer 10 and 20 count punch tickets including one bonus meal with every 20-punch ticket donation.

Remember that our guests under the age of 60 need to purchase a single meal ticket at the Front Office for \$9.00. (When you invite a nonsenior guest, please stop and purchase a lunch ticket for their meal at the office.)

Thank you for your support of our meal program!

Meal Times:

Casper - 11AM to 1PM Evansville/Mills - Noon to 1PM Reservations required for sites!

Last Edition Answers:





On December 14, 1807, the Weston Meteorite Fall in Connecticut was the first documented meteorite event in the U.S.

JANUARY Hidden Twice HIDDEN IMAGE: Find Both for

2 entries!



JANUARY TRIVIA:

The Emancipation Proclamation, made January 1, 1863, freed approximately how many slaves immediately?

If you are 60 or older with a birthday in the month of January, please submit this to the Front Office for a lunch ticket.

Name:

Birthdate:

Coffee With the Board 2nd Tuesday each month 10AM in Deja Brew NEXT DATE:

January 13th

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Gifts & Memorials What your Memorial Does:

Note: This is a list for Gifts or Memorials given between November 20th 2025 - December 19th 2025.

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

The Board of Directors has directed Memorial Gifts 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 county money.

Just note on your check that the gift is a memorial and the name of the person you wish to be remembered.



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thank you



🎉 Upcoming Activities & Schedule Updates 🎉

We're excited to announce continuing monthly Pool Tournaments in 2026! Pror dates, sign-ups, and additional details, please see the office.

Here are a few important updates to our regular activities:

- Play Hand and Foot every Tuesday and Thursday at 1:00PM \$\frac{1}{2}\$
- Ballroom Dance Class will be cancelled for the month of JANUARY **
 - New dates and times will be announced soon

We hope you'll join us for these fun activities, and please stop by the office if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

























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Beginning January 7th, we will be selling 50/50 Raffle Tickets for \$1 each or \$5 for 6, during Jackpot Bingo sessions! Winner will be drawn the last session of each month. Need not be

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Fresh Facts from the Kitchen









Food and Nutrition for older people living with diabetes

Foods to Emphasize

- Non-Starchy Vegetables: Spinach, kale, broccoli, peppers, zucchini, carrots.
- Lean Proteins: Skinless poultry, fish (salmon, tuna), eggs, beans, lentils, low-fat dairy.
- Whole Grains & Fiber: Oats, quinoa, brown rice, whole-wheat bread, legumes.
- Healthy Fats: Avocados, nuts, seeds, olive oil, fatty fish.
- Fruits: Whole fruits like berries, apples, oranges (limit dried fruit).

Foods to Limit

- · Sugary drinks, candy, pastries, and processed snacks.
- Refined carbohydrates (white bread, white rice).
- Fried foods and high-sodium items.

Meal Planning Tips

- <u>Diabetes Plate Method</u>: Fill half your plate with non-starchy veggies, a quarter with lean protein, and a quarter with quality carbs.
- · Hydration: Drink water, not sugary beverages.
- Snacks: Combine protein, fiber, and healthy fats (e.g., apple slices with nut butter).
- Portion Control: Be mindful of serving sizes, even for healthy carbs.

Why It Works for Seniors

- Supports Muscle & Heart: Lean protein and healthy fats help maintain muscle mass and cardiovascular health, which are vital for older adults.
- Blood Sugar Stability: Fiber slows sugar absorption, preventing spikes and crashes.
- Nutrient-Rich: Focuses on nutrient-dense foods to combat potential deficiencies.

January 2026 Menu

Sunday		Smothered Chicken Garlic Pasta Glazed Carrosts Russian Sald WW Roll Cherry Pie	Swiss Steak Oven Fried Potatoes California Veggies Tossed Salad WW Roll Peach Pie	CLOSED	Hot Pork Sandwich Mashed Polatoes Peas & Pearl Onions Tossed Salad Apple Pie
Monday		Goulash Golden Corn Tropical Fruit French Bread Sugar Cookie	Marinaled Pork Chop Rice & Gravy Cabbage Slaw Onion Roll Apple Cake	CLOSED	Cabbage Roll Sweet Potatoes Cottage Cheese W/ Fruit Coro Moffin Lemon Pudding
Tuesday		Ham & Potato Soup Egg Salad on Croissant Fresh Veggies Peaches Coconut Pudding	Baked Chicken Garlic Pasta Brussels Sprouts Green Salad Diced Pears	Turkcy & Noodles Roasted Cauliflower Strawberry Spinach Salad Oalmeal Raisin Cookie	Tater Tot Casserole Broccoli Dilf Cucumbers WW Biscuit Fresh Grapes
Wednesday		Checsy Chicken Broccoli Rice Asparagus Cherries Wheat Bread Banana Bar	Beef Fajitas Cheese & Onions Lettuce & Tomaloes Beans - Rice Cool Corn Salar Mexican Brownie	Sesame Chicken Fried Rice Oriental Vegetables Asian Slaw Apricols	Glazed Pork Patty Iomato Pasta Parsley Carrots WW Rott Rhubarb Custard
Thursday	CLUSTO HAPPY NEWYEAR	Western Egg Bake Breakfast Sausage Potalo Medley Chopped Melon Apple Walnut Muffin	Chicken & Dumplings Chalcau Vegelables Iomalo Basil Salad Raisin Bread Fruit Jello Whip	Creamy Iomato Soup w/ Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwich Stuffed Celery Mandarin Oranges	Lamb Shepherd's Pie Braised Cabbage Chopp'd Green Salad Peach Jello
Friday	Tuna & Noodles Roasted Broccoli Pca Salad Honey Wheal Biscuit Baked Apples	Lemon Baked Fish Creamy Risotto Stewed Tomatoes Plums Honey Wheat Riscuit Chocolate Pudding	Salmon Loaf Mac & Cheese Spinach Carrol Raisin Salad Gingered Pears	Beer Baltered Tilapia Butlernut Squash Winler Mix Orange Whip	Pork Wings Oven Brown Potatoes Creamed Corn Pistachin Cake

Menu Subject to Change!

All Meals include Milk & Bread!₉



- 5th Mexican Train Dominoes Dining Room 1pm
- 6th Senior Food Distribution (Main) Dining Room 10am 1pm
- 6th Wellness Clinic (Main) Dining Room 10am
- 6th Hand & Foot (Main) 1pm
- 7th Deals on Wheels Deja Brew 10am 1pm
- 7th Jackpot Bingo Dining Room 1:30pm 4pm
- 7th Senior Food Distribution Evansville 10am 1pm
- 8th NO CRAFT CLASS TODAY AT MAIN CENTER
- 8th Senior Food Distribution Mills 10am 1pm
- 8th Hand & Foot (Main) 1pm
- 8th Deals on Wheels Deja Brew 10am 1pm
- 8th Mexican Train Dominoes Dining Room 1pm
- 9th Deals on Wheels Deja Brew 10am 1pm
- 12th Mexican Train Dominoes Dining Room 1pm
- 12th Coffee & Conversation Activity Room 5pm 7pm
- 13th Senior Food Distribution (Main) Dining Room 10am 1pm
- 13th- Wellness Clinic (Main) Dining Room 10am
- 13th Coffee with the Board Deja Brew 10am
- 13th Hand & Foot (Main) 1pm
- 14th Senior Food Distribution Evansville 10am 1pm
- 14th- Jackpot Bingo Dining Room 1:30pm 4pm
- 14th- Bunco Deja Brew 11:00am
- 15th- Senior Food Distribution Mills 10am 1pm
- 15th- Mexican Train Dominoes Dining Room 1pm
- 15th Hand & Foot (Main) 1pm
- 19th- Mexican Train Dominoes Dining Room 1pm
- 20th- Senior Food Distribution (Main) Dining Room 10am 1pm
- 20th- Wellness Clinic (Main) Dining Room 10am
- 20th Hand & Foot (Main) 1pm
- 20th- Eyeglass Repair Dining Room 11am
- 21st Jackpot Bingo Dining Room 1:30pm 4pm
- 21st- Senior Food Distribution Evansville 10am 1pm
- 22nd Senior Food Distribution Mills 10am 1pm
- 22nd Hand & Foot (Main) 1pm
- 22nd Mexican Train Dominoes Dining Room 1pm
- 26th Coffee & Conversation Activity Room 5pm 7pm
- 27th Senior Food Distribution (Main) Dining Room 10am 1pm
- 27th Wellness Clinic (Main) Dining Room 10am
- 27th Hand & Foot (Main) 1pm
- 28th Jackpot Bingo Dining Room 1:30pm 4pm
- 28th Senior Food Distribution Evansville 10am 1pm
- 28th- Bunco Deja Brew 11:00am
- 29^{th} Mexican Train Dominoes Dining Room 1pm
- 29th- Senior Food Distribution Mills 10am 1pm
- 29th- Mexican Train Dominoes Dining Room 1pm
- 29th Hand & Foot (Main) 1pm







All activities are subject to change!



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1

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to use for #FridayFeature movies

2

Gift Cards

from local businesses to be used as prizes for activities

3

Soda Fountain

Gift cards from Sam's Club, local grocery stores, etc. to purchase items needed for a Soda Fountain at the Sock Hop scheduled on February 21st. 4

Deals on Wheels

Jewelry, purses, wallets, and small household decor to sell.

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Food Bank Storage and Organization

Purchase power at Home Depot, Menards, Ace Hardware, etc. to procure shelving and storage items for our weekly food bank.

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Volunteers

we are always in need of people with time to share!



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In fact, some calls may appear to be from a LOCAL NUMBER!

A member in Casper received a call requesting 'verification' of their Medicare number. Don't be fooled, scammers use internet methods to spoof or mimic local numbers to appear legitimate.



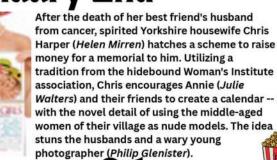


Activities for Seniors 60 and Older

Activity	Day(s)	Time(s)	Room
Afternoon Tai Chi	Tuesday/Thursday	3:00PM-4:00PM	Activity
Bingo! (\$0.50/card)	Thursday	12:30PM-2:00PM	Activity
Bridge	Wednesday	12:30PM-4:00PM	Dining
Bridge	Friday	12:00PM-4;00PM	Conference
Canasta	Friday	12:00PM-4:00PM	Dining
Chair Exercise	Mon/Wed/Fri	9:45AM-10:45AM	Dining
Chair Yoga	Tuesday/Thursday	9:15AM-9:45AM	Activity
Clogging (Joyce)	Monday	10:30AM-11:45AM	Activity
Clogging (Lori)	Thursday	10:30AM-11:30AM	Dance Floor
Craft Class	Thursday	10:15AM-12:00PM	Activity
Cribbage	Tuesday	10:00AM-12:00PM	Activity
Feature Film	Friday	1:30PM	Library
Food Distribution	Tuesday	10:00AM-1:00PM	Main-Dining
Food Distribution	Thursday	10:00AM-1:00PM	Mills Site
Line Dance-Beginner	Tuesday	9:00AM-10:00AM	Dance Floor
Line Dance-Improver	Tuesday	10:00AM-11:00AM	Dance Floor
Low Vision Support	2nd Monday	10:00AM-12:00PM	Conference
Mexican Train	Sun/Mon/Thurs	1:00PM	Dining
Pinochle	Thurs/Fri	12:30PM-4:00PM	Dining
Poker	Mon/Wed/Fri	1:00PM	Dining/CNF
Sew Crazy Sewing Club	3rd Tuesday	1:00PM-2:30PM	Activity
VA Caregiver Support	2nd Tuesday	11:00AM-12:00PM	Conference
Wellness Clinic	Tuesday	10:00AM-2:00PM	Dining
Wellness Clinic	Thursday	12:00PM-1:00PM	Evansville/Mills
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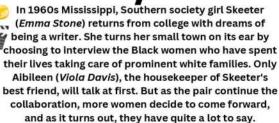


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Frustrated with a soul-killing job, New Yorker Julie Powell (Amy Adams) embarks on a daring project: she vows to prepare all 524 recipes in Julia Childs' landmark cookbook, "Mastering the Art of French Cooking." Intertwined with Julie's story is the true tale of how Julia Child (Meryl Streep) herself conquered French cuisine with passion, fearlessness, and plenty of butter.

January 16th



January 23rd

Andy Dufresne (Tim Robbins) is sentenced to two consecutive life terms in prison for the murders of his wife and her lover and is sentenced to a tough prison. However, only Andy knows he didn't commit the crimes. While there, he forms a friendship with Red (Morgan Freeman), experiences brutality of prison life, adapts, helps the warden, etc., all in 19 years.



Lifelong buddies Willie (Morgan Freeman), Joe (Michael Caine), and Albert (Alan Arkin) decide to buck retirement and step off the straight-and-narrow when their pension funds become a corporate casualty. Desperate to pay the bills and come through for their loved ones, the three men risk it all by embarking on a daring adventure to knock off the very bank that absconded with their money.





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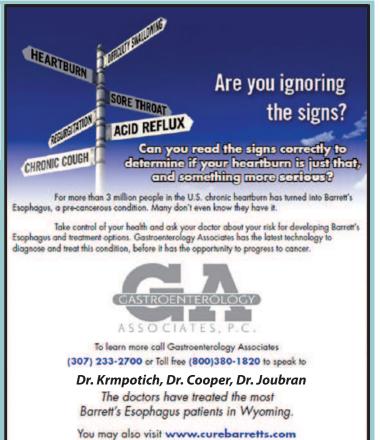
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