

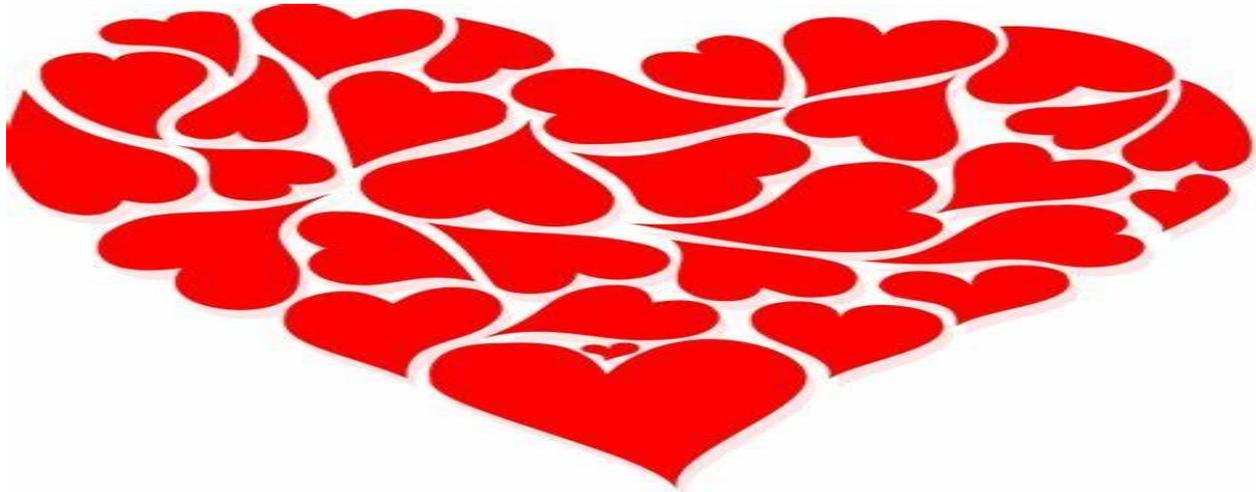


KINSHIP
SUPPORT SERVICES

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**COMMUNITY
ACTION** | OF LARAMIE
COUNTY



FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

Our next Support Group Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 12th. We will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day. Wear your lucky green!!

Our meetings will continue to be held at Element Church.

Any questions or concerns please contact:

Mary Goodwin

307-635-9291 ext.30

GUEST SPEAKER

Justin Pendleton with the Boys and Girls Club will be speaking at the February Support Group Meeting.

We are very excited to hear him discuss fun and Important opportunities for the children of our caregivers.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF CHEYENNE

“When you’re at the end of your rope, tie a knot and hold on.”
Theodore Roosevelt

LEGAL AID

Did you know if you want to change your name, you must reside in the county for two years before filing for a name change? You will need to file a petition for name change with the district court. There is a filing fee. You will also need to publish a notice in the newspaper in the county where you filed once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks. There is also a publication fee. [You can obtain forms online at www.legalhelpwyo.org](#).

The **Boys & Girls Club** of **Cheyenne** serves children ages 6 through 18 out of our clubhouse in South **Cheyenne, WY**. Our mission is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens.

Here is a list of the many programs offered by the Boys and Girls Club:

Youth Of The Year, Torch Club, Keystone
Cowboy Ethics and Happy Trails
Cooking and Healthy Habits
Passport to Manhood, Smart Girls



Hello one and all,
Are you busy? We

are too! I can't believe we are heading into another month in the year of 2020. Time flies by so quickly as it seems we were just taking down the tree and now it is Valentine's day! Of course I did notice that the stores had changed out the candy canes to hearts the day after Christmas.

Here at CALC even though we are so bogged down, we try to take the time to reflect on the month and the year ahead.

First of all, our newest employee, Clarissa Walsh started the week of January 13. She was hired to be the Guardianship Case manager. We are so excited to have her expertise, laughter and smile as a part of our team. If you have questions about guardianship, please call and set up an appointment to meet with her.

Next, we have implemented a Life Skills Training that meets twice a month. Such an exciting way for people to learn a skill and be able to use it in their everyday life and the key is that everyone is invited. We supply a lunch and a fun atmosphere of learning. Please keep watch of the schedule there may be something coming up that will tickle your fancy.

In January we were so excited to find and be able to purchase a 16-passenger bus. This is going to open so many doors for CALC. For instance, we will be able to provide rides for persons who would like to attend the support group but find the traveling after dark a barrier. Please keep watch as this becomes a reality in the coming months.

Something that you will need to be watching in the next few months is that 2020 is a Census year. Once every decade, America comes together to count every resident in the United States. This is a count of our population and households, and it provides the basis for distributing federal funds annually to state, counties and community programs. This census impacts housing, education, transportation, employment, health care and public policy. With the count also comes job opportunities. If you are looking for a way to earn a little extra cash, check out the 2020 Census and sign up for employment.

As stated above, we are all busy, so I am going to sign off here. I hope that each of you have a wonderful Valentine's Day and can spend time with your loved ones on this commemorative day of love.

Dasa Robertson
Self-Sufficiency/Kinship Support Services Program Director

Mary's Memo's

Hello Everyone.

I want to thank all sponsors and families that participated this year in our Adopt-A-Family. We had a very successful turn out.

We are already in the planning stage for next year.

Throughout the coming year the newsletter will be providing updates for Adopt-A-Family as well as other fun events and classes.

Your input is always welcome on all events. We are always looking for new ideas, interests from all members of our CALC family.

SPECIAL SENIOR DISCOUNTS

Applebees : 10% Senior Discount

Burger King: 10% Senior Discount and a Discount on some drink items

Denny's: Senior Menu with discounted items

Sonic: 10% Senior Discount

Golden Corral: discount menu for 60 and over

Subway: 10% discount

Outback Steakhouse: 10% off for AARP members

COMMUNITY ACTION FEBRUARY TRAININGS

Wednesday, February 5th , the Importance of Vehicle Care with FM Automotive, 1pm to 3:00pm

Wednesday, February 19th, Budgeting Class, 1pm to 3:30



LEGAL INFORMATION

Legal Aid has moved. They are now located at 1920 Thomes on the third floor. Legal Aid's phone number is still 307-432-0807.

"Did you know that in a divorce, you can serve the opposing party by publication if you can't locate the opposing party? You can serve the opposing party by publication by first filing a motion to allow publication with the district court. You can then publish in the newspaper in the county where you filed for divorce once the court allows you publish. You can obtain forms online at www.legalhelpwy.org or at the local courthouse."

GOOD NEWS— COMMUNITY ACTION HAS PURCHASED A 16 PASSENGER VAN. THIS VAN CAN CARRY TWO PEOPLE IN WHEELCHAIRS. MORE GOOD NEWS IS ON THE WAY!!!!

INFORMATION FOR ALL VETERANS

As of January 1, 2020 all veterans with a service connected disability, purple heart recipients, and veteran caregivers now have access to the on-base Commissary and Post Exchanges. The veterans at the Jonn J Edmunds Veteran Home have enrolled in the program, and have begun taking advantage of these new benefits, and the process was very simple. The process is a simple one; a veteran must be enrolled with the VA, and one of the above categories must be designated beneath their Veteran Health ID card picture (i.e. "service connected," "purple heart,"

etc.). Take the ID card, along with another form of government ID (driver's license, state ID, etc.) to the Welcome Center/Pass and ID Office for enrollment. Once registered there you will have ongoing access to the base, Commissary, Exchange, and some MWR (Morale, Welfare, and Recreation) services. For more information please see: <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/products#!/detail/780>

EYE GLASS PROGRAMS

CALC has two separate eye glass programs. One program is for adults and all you need to do is call us and get your name and contact phone number on our list.

The second program is for children. **I will meet with parents at the school to complete the forms.**

COMMUNITY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

COATS, HATS AND WINTER SCARF DRIVE!!

CALC is holding a winter coat, hat and scarf drive at our three locations, Crossroads Clinic, Head Start, and our main office at 211 W. 19th. You can bring your items to any of these locations. Once we have gathered up enough items we will let everyone know when and where go to pick up a good winter coat.

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