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## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

**Thurs, Jan. 30:** Weekly Meeting | Jason's Friends Foundation **LCCC**

**Thurs, Feb. 6:** Weekly Meeting | Cheyenne Animal Shelter

**Tues, Feb. 11:** Stars of Tomorrow Auditions

**Wed, Feb. 12:** Stars of Tomorrow Auditions

**Wed, Feb. 12:** Kiwanis After Hours 5:30pm at The Albany

**Thurs, Feb. 13:** Weekly Meeting | Business Meeting **LCCC**

**Fri, Feb. 14:** Valentine's Day Knight at the Museum

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1	Chris Allred	26	Ron Olson
1	Tom Rumpke	27	Bryan Pedersen
3	Don Schrader	29	John Steil
4	Vic Lisek	30	Taida Baldwin
11	Trudy Eisele	30	Debra Parker
13	Sydney Huckfeldt	31	Kristin Custis
13	Kerri Young	31	Alan Hughes
15	Carol Holland	31	Rick Wright
18	Lance Bastnagel		
21	Bart Barttelbort		
21	Tyler Harrison		
22	James Huck		



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The Cheyenne Kiwanis Club Meets Every Thursday at Noon at the Red Lion Hotel & Conference Center

## Announcements

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### **Barb Piesz**

Join us for our Knight at the Museum Valentines Day event. February 14th from 4-7 pm at the Old West Museum. \$40 per couple or \$20 per ticket. There will be food from Paris West, string quartet, music by Dave Niemann, square dancing.

We are planning our next event - March Madness at LCCC on March 27th.

### **John Lynch**

John is offering rides to members during the Valentine's Day Knight at the Museum. If you need a ride that evening call John at 307-421-2866. Thank you John!

### **Patrick Brady**

The Fundraising Committee will meet today after the Club meeting.

### **Nick Kemp**

Super Bowl squares fundraiser is back! \$20 per square. Here is the 2025 Super Bowl Pool link below to participate before the BIG GAME on Sunday, February 9, 2025! We have had great participation so far, but still have squares available.

<https://www.runyourpool.com/p/j/94504f529fc7422eba3e3dfaacefe2b8>

To purchase squares: [kiwanis-club-of-cheyenne.square.site](http://kiwanis-club-of-cheyenne.square.site)

The tutorial to know how to participate: <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/oz5nwdjlpvd7gtiegvage/Screen-Recording-2025-01-15-at-10.48.37.mov?rlkey=9bir774q99bvi1tcyz4d6x28q&st=q5qzd9m8&dl=0>

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### **Tim Sheppard**

Great Decisions starts February 11 and is SOLD OUT! We will have in person and Zoom options. We will meet at Blue Peak located at 19th and Carey Ave. at 7am. If you signed up to participate look for the Zoom invite in your email if you are joining by Zoom.

### **Rich Wessenberg**

Rich delivered T-shirts to the South High Key Club. They have added 4 more members for a total membership of 8. Their next fundraiser is an inter club event. They will partner with the Animal Shelter to provide pets with vaccinations on March 15 at Johnson Junior High. Look for more information.

Rich also delivered a large box of t-shirts to the Central Key Club.

### **Andrea Arenas**

Stars of Tomorrow! Planning meeting on February 3 at 5:15 at Uncle Charlies. Auditions will be February 11th and 12th at the LCSD#1 Admin Building. Dress Rehearsal on March 8th at LCCC with the show on March 9th at LCCC. Andrea is looking for judges.



**\$11**

**# - Brittney Winges**  
Not Present to Win  
The Pig Rolls!

## KIWANIAN OF THE WEEK



### **Dave Sheppard**

Dave was born in Laramie, Wyoming and attended Laramie High School. His first job at 13 years old was setting pins at the Maple Way Bowling Alley for 35 cents per hour. His second job was washing dishes at the Paris Cafe for 65 center per hour.

Dave went to work for the Chevy dealer in Laramie and worked his way up to Manager of the body shop. He worked for the dealership until 1970. Between 1970 and 2004 he worked as a State Farm claims manager.

Dave has lived in Laramie and Cheyenne - Wyoming through and through. Dave was a volunteer arbitrator for 15 years ad spent 6 years in the Army Guard. He was a charter member of the Silent Witness Program and a member of the Cheyenne Frontier Days Contracts Acts Committee. He likes to golf and travel.

Dave joined Kiwanis on March 1973 a day before his birthday. He was sponsored by Bob Anspauch and Rich Escobedo. They told him, "You meet a lot of people and you have a lot of fun!"

He remembers the fun at the Clambake at Preston's Ranch. He had to dig a flip trench for the toilet seats - 1 for the guys and 1 for the girls with tent walls!

He was the editor for the Telstar for 2 years - at that time he had to mail it out every week. He has been Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, Board Members and Quartermaster for the Club. He has also served on the Foundation Board two times. He took photographs for Stars of Tomorrow and the FFA sale for 4 years. He helped install the kitchen in the old warehouse. He helped with the switch of the accounting system from ms.dos and Lotus to Windows 95 and Quickbooks.

Dave is a Hixson and Bonham Fellow. He is a Life Member (1999).

His favorite meal is the Steak Sandwich Lunch Special at Uncle Charlies and for dessert vanilla ice cream.

Fun fact from the month and year he was born (March 1943) - The Universal Horror film Frankenstein Meets the Wolf Man starring Lon Chaney Jr. and Bela Lugosi was released. The University of Wyoming Cowboys won the NCAA basketball tournament with a 46-34 victory over the Georgetown University Hoyas.

## **TODAY' PROGRAM**

**Christine Robinson  
Jason's Friends**

[Jason's Friends](#)



**Pat McGuire brought Don Ninche  
Wally Erickson brought his wife, Chris**

## HAPPY DOLLARS/HIGH FIVES

### **Bob Monger**

The Delta Kappa Gamma book sale is coming up in March. Donations of books begins this week. Main donation site is the most recent old Big Lots on the West end of Cheyenne Plaza on Lincolnway. Other donation sites are both Albertsons, Safeway, YMCA, Gold's Gym and Sprouts.

### **John Rogers**

His grandsons school participated in a combined science and engineering fair. He came up with an idea to recycle plastic water bottles to create filament for 3D printers. A year ago his grandson enrolled in a class at LCCC to learn how to 3D print. He designed his device and worked with LCCC. They taught him how to solder, helped develop an electric board and print gears.

Tuesday was the science and engineering fair. His grandson won 1st place for his project!

### **Dave Niemann**

Shout out to Lisa and Arlene with LCCC. They purchased 2 of the lap pianos at last weeks sale. Now Kiwanis has a piano for our meetings at LCCC.

### **Jim Coomes**

Shelley Campbell came from Arizona to Wyoming in January when most go the other way!

# Big Change #1

## Club MEETINGS 2023-2024

### Current Meetings

- Red Lion: Thursday 12 – 1pm
- Alternative Location: Depot

- Red Lion
  - Social Coffee: 11:30 am
  - Lunch Served: 11:45 am
  - Meeting Begins: 12:00 pm
  - Meeting Ends: 12:45 pm
- Alternative Location: LCCC



# Big Change #2

### Current Meeting Set-Up

- Head Table with Podium
- Club Banners on Wall
- Seating for 128
- Open invitation for guests
- Open seating

### Meeting Set-Up 2024-2025

- Podium Only
- Club Banners on Stands
- Seating for 140
- Guest Sign in at entrance
- Reservations for Guests
- Open seating – last week of month ONLY



# Big Change #3

## Current Meeting Agenda

- 12:00pm Meeting Starts
  - Invocation/Pledge/Sing
  - Break
- 12:15pm
  - Guest Introductions
  - Club Announcements
  - Birthdays /Happy Dollars
- 12:30pm
  - Program



## Meeting Agenda: 2024-2025

- 12:00pm Club Meeting Begins
  - Invocation/Pledge/Sing
  - Guest Introductions
  - Club Announcements
- 12:15pm Program Begins
- 12:35pm Club Program Ends
  - Birthdays/Happy Dollars/Pig Draw
- 12:45pm: Committee Meetings
  - Music until 1pm: Dave Niemann



# YOU'RE INVITED.

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