



Town of LaGrange

November 2025 Newsletter

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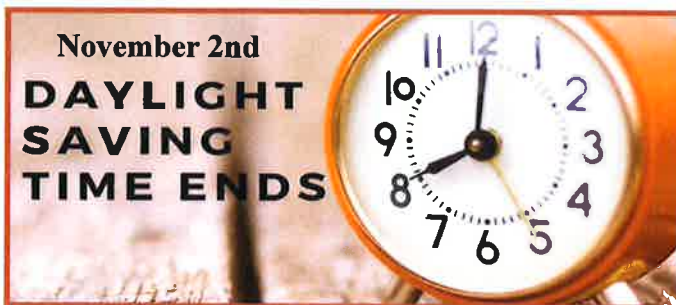
Minutes from October Town Council Meeting

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, Town of LaGrange, Wyoming, meeting at the Town Hall on October 9th 2025 at 7:00pm. Present were Councilmembers, John Goold, Jenny Pragnell, Tracy May and Mike Huseby. Mike Huseby was Acting Mayor as Mayor Kirk Haas was absent. Public Works Director, Tracy Pragnell and Town Clerk/Treasurer, Cathy Stoddard were also present. Visitors attending were Peggy Oedekoven, Renee Winfrey, Linnea Dix, Carolyn Williams, Daisy Justus and Bruce Hale.

Mayor pro tem Huseby called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. John moved to approve the September 15th public hearing minutes and council meeting minutes as read. Jenny seconded, motion carried.

Mayor pro tem Huseby asked for public discussion. Being no discussion, he continued with old business. Tracy Pragnell gave updates on the public works facility. John made a motion to move forward with the gravel around the shop as well as the epoxy for the floors not to exceed \$16,500. Tracy May seconded, motion carried. Tracy and Cathy gave updates on the water project grants.

Mayor pro tem Huseby asked for new business. After discussion on the Statements of Qualifications from three engineers, John made a motion to accept Sunrise Engineering as the engineer for our water project. Jenny seconded, motion carried. Impact assistance funds for the Chugwater project were discussed, no motions were made. Mayor Kirk Haas joined the meeting at 7:36pm. He asked Mike Huseby to proceed with the meeting. Clerk and public works questions were discussed. Tracy May moved to change the meeting time from 7pm to 6pm from November through March 2026. Jenny seconded, motion carried. Gardner Technologies invoice in the amount of \$4,211.60 was added to the bills. John moved to approve the bills, Tracy May seconded; motion carried. Jenny moved to adjourn at 7:48pm.



The Beightol Plumbing & Electric Phone Card

is a great tool to keep in touch with your neighbors. It is a phone card with LaGrange residents and businesses listed for your convenience. It is compliments of Beightol Plumbing & Electric. If you would like to be listed on this card or have any updates then please contact **Jamie Beightol** to help her update the 2026 phone card.

Home 834-2400 or Cell 307-338-0805 (text)



PER TOWN ORDINANCE

Dog Licenses are due January 01, 2026.
Rabies certificates are required to obtain license.
Dog licenses are \$20.00 per dog.

For more information please
contact Town Hall at 834-2466.



**There will be a \$50.00 fine
per dog if licenses are not
obtained by the due date.**



SENTINEL TOWN HALL PUBLIC MEETING

**NOVEMBER 4, 2025
(TENTATIVE)**

**5:30 pm
COMMUNITY BUILDING**



John A. McGill American Legion Auxiliary Unit 70

As we live each day immersed in God's blessings for the United States of America, pause to appreciate **all who helped secure our freedoms, and all who served or are serving.**

Unit 70 WELCOMES our new Members! More Auxiliary members are needed. John A. McGill American Legion Auxiliary Unit 70 honors our Veterans and supports active military and their families. To join American Legion Auxiliary, contact Mary Sue Hoyle (307-331-4014) or Cathy Stoddard (307-715-0311). Auxiliary dues are \$31 for adults and \$5.25 for Junior Members.

Unit 70 members are unstoppable! Congratulations to **B-Jo Laing**, recently elected and installed as the new President of District 2, covering large chunks of southeast & central Wyoming. So proud of you, B-Jo! Congrats also to Glenda & Bill Pickeral, winners of the "Jesus" yard flag in support of Auxiliary members suffering hardships. Thank you to all who supported the gun raffle, others who baked cookies for the VA, and supporters of Halloween & Easter candy, carry-in events and poppy tubs, and all who lend a hand wherever needed!

Watch for Coming Events such as: American Education Week (11/16-22). Be sure to thank LaGrange's amazing teachers & staff who instill knowledge and love of learning as well as their enthusiastic love of country. LaGrange kids are richly blessed.

Veterans' Day on Nov 11 (observing the end of World War One, and in honor of all U.S. Vets and Victims, and all who continue to serve.) Show your appreciation by coming to lunch at the LaGrange War Memorial Community Building on **Sunday, Nov 9 at 1:00 pm. Auxiliary will serve soups & dessert, covered by a free-will donation. For all Veterans, our Guests of Honor, there will be no charge.** Patriotic entertainment and Veterans' stories are planned.

To help Year 'Round Christmas Fund-raising for Veterans, watch for donation \$\$ boxes.

Kids' Halloween Costume Party at Unity Library on October 31, 5:30-7:30. Pop in **OR** stay awhile. Snacks, photos, and entertainment. *Donations of \$ or Candy are welcome.* Co-Sponsored by Aux. Unit 70 and LaGrange-Bear Creek Unity Association at library 560 2nd Ave.

Next meeting of John A. McGill American Legion Auxiliary Unit 70: **Monday, Nov. 3rd, 5:00 pm.**

Continue praying for our United States of America. Ask for God's continued blessing on America's people and leaders and for mercy on all in need of healing, comfort, or peace...

Fly your American flag!

PREAMBLE TO THE ALA CONSTITUTION

For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes:

**TO CONSECRATE AND SANCTIFY OUR ASSOCIATION BY DEVOTION TO MUTUAL
HELPFULNESS."**

In this final phrase of the Preamble is set forth the purpose which has guided the Legion and Auxiliary in all of their vast rehabilitation and youth work; in everything they have done to lighten the burden for those suffering from the results of wars; and to bring full justice to those paying the human price for America's victory. In this work of mercy and relief, the Auxiliary has made great contributions toward the achievement of the Legion's purpose.



Carson's essay was in Class 1 (meaning students in grades 3 & 4). He won 1st place for Class 1 at our local level, 1st place among Southeast Wyoming District 2, and 3rd place at Wyoming State level. Excellent writing, Carson! Aliyah's essay was in Class 2 (for grades 5&6). She won 1st Place at our local level, and then her essay competed at District 2 level. Also in Class 2 were essays by Hudson Evans who placed 2nd at Local, and Kasen McIntyre who placed 3rd at Local level. Plus we had motivating essays from Brenton Vinton and Alyanna Cervantes. Top essays won prize money and award certificates. Congrats!

Unit 70 Auxiliary sends heartfelt thanks to all the students for participating, and to their teachers, Katrina Gifford and Andrea Eisenbarth, for inspiring the students and providing time to participate. The Americanism Essay contest is held in February each year. Students, be thinking of reasons to appreciate America with an inspiring essay. Yay, LaGrange School!!

Why America is so Beautiful

By Carson Tremain

America is beautiful because we have freedom! A lot of countries don't have freedom including Russia, China, and North Korea. The leaders choose what they must do in life. That is why I am glad to live in the U.S.A.

One of the things that made us have freedom was the veterans sacrificing their lives. If they didn't in World War 2, Germany would have conquered America, we would have had to honor Hitler. That is why the veterans and army are so important.

We can worship the God we want and not the God that everyone else worships. The police can't arrest people when they want, they arrest them when they break a law or do something bad. We also don't have to worry about other armies taking over the U.S.

The landscape is beautiful because of all the mountains, hills, lakes, rivers, and especially the poppies. We value them because they remind us of all the blood that was shed in World War 1. America is so beautiful because of all the landscape, the army, and our freedom.

Freedom is one of the things that built America. It is so beautiful that America has freedom. It is something worth fighting for. That is why I am so glad that I live in the United States of America!

Why is America Beautiful?

By Aliyah Cervantes

In the song America the Beautiful it talks about our heroes and patriots and their love and sacrifices for our country to keep us safe. This is important to me because the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Space Force and the veterans fought for me, my family and my friends, and the freedom that we have been given.

America is beautiful because we have a lot of freedom. We love America because the people can make money. People can have peace, can chill and have fun and enjoy their lives. The Military is hard working and they keep us safe in the United States of America and all over the world. They always defend our freedom to live like we choose. The Military and the veterans have always kept our country strong.

Our country has beautiful places that we are free to visit. There are amazing parks, mountains, rivers, trees and places like the Grand Canyon. It is a privilege to live in our country. We can travel anywhere we want to at any time. In some other countries the people don't have the freedom to travel to places they want to visit. They are not allowed to enjoy nature like we are.

Like the song says, God really did shed his grace on our country. We live in a wonderful place, and I wish other people in the world could live like us. I am thankful for veterans and all the military men and women for fighting for our freedom!

LaGrange-Bear Creek Unity Library and Museum News...
506 2nd Ave. ; PO Box 233 LaGrange, Wyoming
Call Cheryl 307-575-2424 or Pat 307-834-2405 for special appointments or information.
Information Phone Recording 307-834-9309
Library Hours are listed on attached Monthly Calendar-Closed on Holidays & Bad Weather

Find us on Social Media! Watch for posters.
Hosts & Helpers are needed. If you can turn a key, YOU can be a HOST.
Next Unity Association mtg: 7 PM on Nov 18, now the 3rd Tues.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR OVERDUE BOOKS! Thank you! [Stay in the Reading Habit.](#)
[Stop by the Library to renew and check out more delightful books! New books arriving every month!](#)

Thanks to Unity's donors, supporters, and patrons for making Unity Library possible.
Keep Coming to the Library and History Center! Due to staff shortages, please call ahead.

Baby Book Time: Thursdays, 12:30 – 2PM. Mothers with babies enjoy children's and board books, plus rocking chairs and changing table. Bring other Mothers to socialize. Call ahead to be sure: 834-2405.
Kids & Parents, Adults & Teens: Come enjoy the Peace & Comfort of the library.
Call ahead and bring your friends. Stop in and explore our amazing library.
560 2nd Ave, in LaGrange. Library cards are free.

Watch for our NEW SIGN!

UPCOMING LIBRARY EVENTS: **Guest Speaker!** Are you a Senior citizen or caregiver needing answers and support? Unity Library has invited a guest speaker from **Wyoming Independent Living** to inform you where to find assistance or even financial support. Watch for posters for time and date .

Halloween Costume Party!

Hey, Kids! Wear your costume to the Library's Photo Booth. Snacks, Movie available. Friday, October 31 from 5:30 to 7:30. Drop in or stay awhile. 8th grade & under.
Sponsored by LaGrange-Bear Creek Unity Association & LaGrange American Legion Auxiliary Unit 70.
Thanks for specialties from Martha's Store!

Save the Date: LaGrange School Reunion! Coming Saturday, June 20, 2026, in LaGrange.
THANK YOU! to all Unity and Endowment sponsors, donors, volunteers, patrons, and supporters.
Your ongoing financial support & presence is much appreciated. We appreciate YOU! Stop in!

LAGRANGE ELEMENTARY NEWS

November 6th-Christmas Program Practice
November 7th- No school
November 13th-Christmas Program Practice
November 14th- No School
November 20th-Christmas Program Practice
November 21st- Green Friday Veterans Day Assembly
November 25th -School trip to Wyoming
Cowgirls Basketball game VS Chadron for Education day.
No School 26th-28th for Thanksgiving Break.
Thanksgiving Feast TBD when we hear from our Food Service Director.



LAGRANGE MINI FAIR



Plans continue for Mini Fair on June 6, 2026. We are still looking for volunteers to help in some areas. Our next meeting will be November 11 at 5:30 at the community building. See y'all there.

2 Craft Fairs in 1 Weekend



Presented by the La Grange War Memorial Building
and

La Grange/ Hawk Springs Homemakers

November 7, 2025 12-7

November 8, 2025 9-4

400 M St & 100 D St

La Grange, WY

Concessions at both Locations

For more Information contact

Peggy Oedekoven 307-871-6504

peggyoedekoven@gmail.com

La Grange War Memorial Building

or

Lynette Bye 307-575-9317

lagrangehomemakers@yahoo.com

La Grange/ Hawk Springs Homemakers

Table fee \$25 for the first table and \$15 for each additional
table, up to 3 tables.

LaGrange/Hawk Springs Homemakers

We meet the 3rd Wednesday of every month
at 1:30pm Wanda Kessler's
140 8th Ave in LaGrange.
307-575-5562

We are counting down the day until November 7th & 8th for our "A Not So Silent Night" craft fair. Come join us at the elementary school gym! We have several acts scheduled for our entertainment. We have, also, been told that both Frosty and Santa are planning on making an appearance. Remember all the recipes we have been collecting? They are now, officially, in a cookbook and will be available for purchase at the craft fair. Our next regular meeting in November 19h at 1:30pm located in Wanda's house. All are welcome to come. This meeting we will be holding elections and setting the date for our Christmas dinner. Be on the lookout for another craft day! We are planning for it to be on January 31st with Valentines will be our focus for this event.

Homemakers Craft Fair Entertainment Schedule

FRIDAY—12:00 Welcome/Torrington Fiddlers

4:00 Nancy & Co.

7:00 Closing

SATURDAY—9:00 welcome

10:00 Wyoming Handbell Choir

12:00 The Hipsters

2:00 Kari Parish

3:00 Torrington Fiddlers

4:00 Closing

Wyo Brick Fest



Nov 15, 2025

9a - 5p

LEGO & other toy brick vendors

Building competitions for youth & adults

Cool LEGO displays / LEGO jewelry

LEGO Brick pits for kids

Snacks & a lot of FUN!!



LaGrange Memorial Building

LaGrange Community Building

403 M Street, LaGrange, WY 82221

For more info, contact:

Linnea - linnea.dix@gmail.com

Peggy - peggyoedekoven@gmail.com



Happy Thanksgiving

November 2025



Sun



Mon



Tue



Wed



Thu



Fri



Sat



<u>Regular Library Hours:</u> Hosts and subs needed. <u>Call Ahead or watch for OPEN sign.</u> Monday: Morning Host Needed. Usually 3:30-5:00pm. Tuesday: Host Needed. (Bring your homework or needlework). Wednesday: Morning Host Needed. Open 12:30 – 2 PM. Thursday: Morning Host Needed. Open 12:30-2PM = Baby Book Time. Friday: Host Needed.  <u>Call Cheryl for appointment:</u> 307-575-2424.						1
 2 Daylight Savings Time Ends Youth Group at FSB Student Center 6-8pm	3 Aux Meeting 5:00pm At Town Hall	4 Sentinel Town Hall Public Meeting November 4, 2025 (Tentative) 5:30 pm Community Bldg.	5 AWANA/Cubbies 6-7:30pm	6 Baby Book Time! 12:30pm—2:00pm	7 No school 8 Homemakers & LaGrange War Memorial Building Craft Fairs 12-7 Friday & 9-4 Saturday LaGrange Elementary & Comm Bldg	
 9 "Honor our Veterans" Chili Lunch at 1:00pm at the Comm Bldg Youth Group at FSB Student Center 6pm	10 EMS Meeting 7 pm Fire Hall	 11 Veterans Day Town Hall Closed Mini Fair Meeting 5:30pm Comm Bldg	12 AWANA/Cubbies 6-7:30pm	13 Baby Book Time! 12:30pm—2:00pm Town Council Meeting 6pm	14 No school	 15 Wyo Brick Fest Community Bldg 9-5 Cheryl Grandstaff Mary Kay Open House 11am-4pm
16 Youth Group at FSB Student Center 6-8pm	17	18 Library Meeting 7:00pm	19 LaGrange/Hawk Springs Homemakers 1:30pm at Wanda Kessler's AWANA/Cubbies 6-7:30pm	 20 Newsletter Deadline! Baby Book Time! 12:30pm—2:00pm	21 LaGrange Elem Veteran's Day Assembly	22
23 Youth Group at FSB Student Center 6-8pm	24 4-H/Cloverbuds Mtg 7pm, Comm Bldg	25 LaGrange Elem Trip to Basketball Game	26 No school Fire Dept Meeting 8:00pm Fire Hall	27 No school Town Hall Closed 	28 No school Town Hall Closed	29
30 Youth Group at FSB Student Center 6-8pm						



SENIOR FRIENDSHIP CENTER NOVEMBER 2025 LUNCH MENU



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

3

Sweet and Sour
Chicken, Rice, Asian
Vegetables,
Pineapple

4

Turkey Tetrazzini,
Stewed Tomatoes,
Green Beans,
Peaches

5

Chili, Corn, Cheese
Stick, Spring Mix
Salad, Pears,
Monkey Bread

6

Polish Sausage with
Sauerkraut, Mixed
Vegetables, Baby
Bakers, 3-Bean Salad,
Apricots

7

Chicken Fried Steak,
Mashed Potatoes,
Gravy, Italian
Vegetables, Fruit
Cocktail, White Cake
with Strawberries

10

Taco Salad with
Lettuce, Tomato,
Cheese, Refried
Beans, Salsa, and
Sour Cream,
Peaches

11

Pork Chop, Baby
Bakers, Roll, Green
Beans, Pea Salad,
Applesauce

12

Swiss Steak, Steak
Fries, Carrots,
Tropical Fruit

13

BBQ Chicken Legs,
Tater Tots, Key West
Vegetables, Carrot-
Raisin Salad, Pears

14

Roast Beef, Mashed
Potatoes, Gravy, Capri
Vegetables, Loaded
Cauliflower Salad,
Cherry Crisp

17

Chicken Strips,
Potato Wedges,
Brussel Sprouts,
Coleslaw, Fruit
Cocktail

18

Rustic Cod, Brown
Rice, Spinach, 3-Bean
Salad, Apricots

19

Meatloaf, Company
Potatoes, Broccoli,
Mandarin Oranges

20

Chicken Alfredo over
Noodles, Island Blend
Vegetables, Pineapple,
Cookie

21

Roast Pork, Mashed
Potatoes, Gravy, Italian
Vegetables, Spring
Salad, Apple Slices, Poke
Cake

24

Pork Marinara
Meatball Sub,
Asparagus, Tossed
Salad, Applesauce

25

Braised Beef over
Noodles, Succotash,
Jean's Salad,
Apricots

26

Turkey, Mashed
Potatoes, Gravy,
Italian Vegetables,
Cranberries, Roll,
Pumpkin Pie

27

28



Located in the LHS Building Suite 123
Meals subject to change without notice—
LHS Contact # 307-575-8456

Torrington Contact: # 307-532-2796

LHS Hours: Lunch is served at 11:30am.

If you are attending please contact Patty by 9:30am
at the LHS contact number to let her know.

Town of LaGrange
PO Box 185
LaGrange, WY 82221

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 70 would like to invite our community to join us in thanking our veterans!!

Sunday, November 9th, at 1:00pm

“Honor our Veterans” Chili Lunch

LaGrange War Memorial Community Building



Special presentation by
LaGrange Elementary
students!!

Serving:
Red (Beef) Chili
White (Chicken) Chili
Chicken Noodle Soup
Desserts and Beverages

Meal will be free will donation.
All proceeds will go to the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 70.