TOWN OF LAGRANGE

December 2026 Newsletter



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Minutes from the November 2026 Town Council Meeting

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, Town of LaGrange, Wyoming, meeting at the Town Hall on November 12th 2026 at 7:00pm. Present were Mayor, Kirk Haas; Councilmembers, John Goold, Jenny Pragnell and Mike Huseby. Tracy May was absent. Public Works Director, Tracy Pragnell and Clerk/Treasurer, Cathy Stoddard were present.

Visitors attending were Jamie Beightol, Peggy Oedekoven, Renee Winfrey, Carolyn Williams, Stephanie Haas, Jeff Sharp and Brenna Ralston from the Telegram.

Mayor Haas called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Mike moved to approve the minutes. Jenny seconded, motion carried.

Jamie Beightol came representing the community building in reference to alcohol catering permits. It was decided the permit will need further discussion and the ordinance will need corrections.

Mayor Haas asked for public discussion. There was no discussion, Mayor Haas asked for old business. Cathy & Tracy gave updates on current grant projects. John moved to approve Garner Technology quote for upgrades to the LHS access system in the amount of $5,127.52. Mike seconded, motion carried.

Mayor Haas asked for new business. Mike moved to approve LHS 12-month lease for Suite 217 to Avery Jamerman. Jenny seconded, motion carried. Public works and clerk questions were discussed. Jenny moved to change the December meeting time to 5pm on the same scheduled date of December 10th 2026. Mike seconded, motion carried. Catering permits were discussed further. Mike suggested a $35 fee and Mayor Haas asked Cathy to prepare the new permit as well as changes to the ordinance for the next meeting. John moved to accept the bond counsel engagement letter with Jackson, Murdo & Grant P.C. Jenny seconded, motion carried. Water utility rates were discussed and a Resolution #4-26 was prepared for the council. After further discussion, Mike moved to approve Resolution #4-26 A Resolution Adopting an Increase in the Monthly Rates for the Water Users of the Town of LaGrange's Water System. Jenny seconded; motion carried. Cathy stated two additional bills need to be added. One Call in the amount of $18.90 from the General account and Sunrise Engineering in the amount of $23,380.00 from the Specific Purpose account. Tracy stated he will need to purchase a new air compressor and that he will begin working on crack seal next week. Mike moved to pay the bills. John seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

LaGrange Elementary News...



December 2nd field trip to Laramie for the education day Cowgirl basketball game.
December 4th green Friday we will be decorating cookies
December 10th Christmas concert for the community. Carry in at 5 and program starts at 6.
December 11th no school
December 17th students last day of 2026
Christmas break 18th come back on January 4th





John A McGill Unit 70 - American Legion Auxiliary
LaGrange, Wyoming – Serving those who serve.

Unit 70 WELCOMES new Members!

Contact Treasurer, Mary Sue Hoyle at 307-331-4014 or President, Cathy Stoddard at 307-715-0311 for more information.

November was a busy month!

Thank you, L A G R A N G E, for honoring our V E T E R A N S by attending LaGrange's Veteran's Lunch, supporting American Education Week and "Veterans in the Classroom," ***ordering a wreath for the cemetery, See the Goal Thermometer: We exceeded 100 wreaths!!,*** observing America's 250th year of FREEDOM, donating to Children's Well-Being, giving to Year 'Round Christmas for our hospitalized Veterans, by honoring our flag and praying for our leaders, military, and our enemies.

December Reminders:

Send ***Christmas cards*** to uplift and comfort others;

High School Seniors: Start writing your essay now: You could win a scholarship worth $250 If you interview a Veteran and submit the winning essay. You can choose a relative, an acquaintance, or a veteran from our local list. You learn life-lessons from their experiences, and you might just make a new friend for life. Due by 4 pm Feb 24, 2027. Pick up the Rules packet from Cathy at Town Hall.

High School Juniors: You can attend Girls State or Boys State leadership training in June. Plan ahead, clear your calendar, and watch for information from Cathy Stoddard.

Grades 2-12: You can enter the Poppy Poster Contest. Creating your poster must be under Auxiliary supervision, so we offer classes after school or on some Fridays in Feb. Watch for more info in January.

Grades 2-6: You can write an Americanism Essay in school, in February. Ask your teacher.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

I cannot begin to express the pride, gratitude, and emotion I feel knowing that, through the generosity of our wonderful sponsors, we have reached our goal of **100 wreaths for the 100 veterans laid to rest in La Grange Cemetery.**

Every single veteran will receive a wreath. Not one will be forgotten.

As a military brat myself, coming from a family where so many have served our country, this holds a very special place in my heart. I grew up with a deep sense of pride and respect for our military, but also an understanding of the sacrifices made by the families who stand beside them. Military service doesn't just touch those who wear the uniform; it touches the hearts and lives of those who love them.

To me, these wreaths represent so much more than remembrance. Each one represents a life of service, sacrifices made, a family who loved them, and a legacy that deserves to live on.

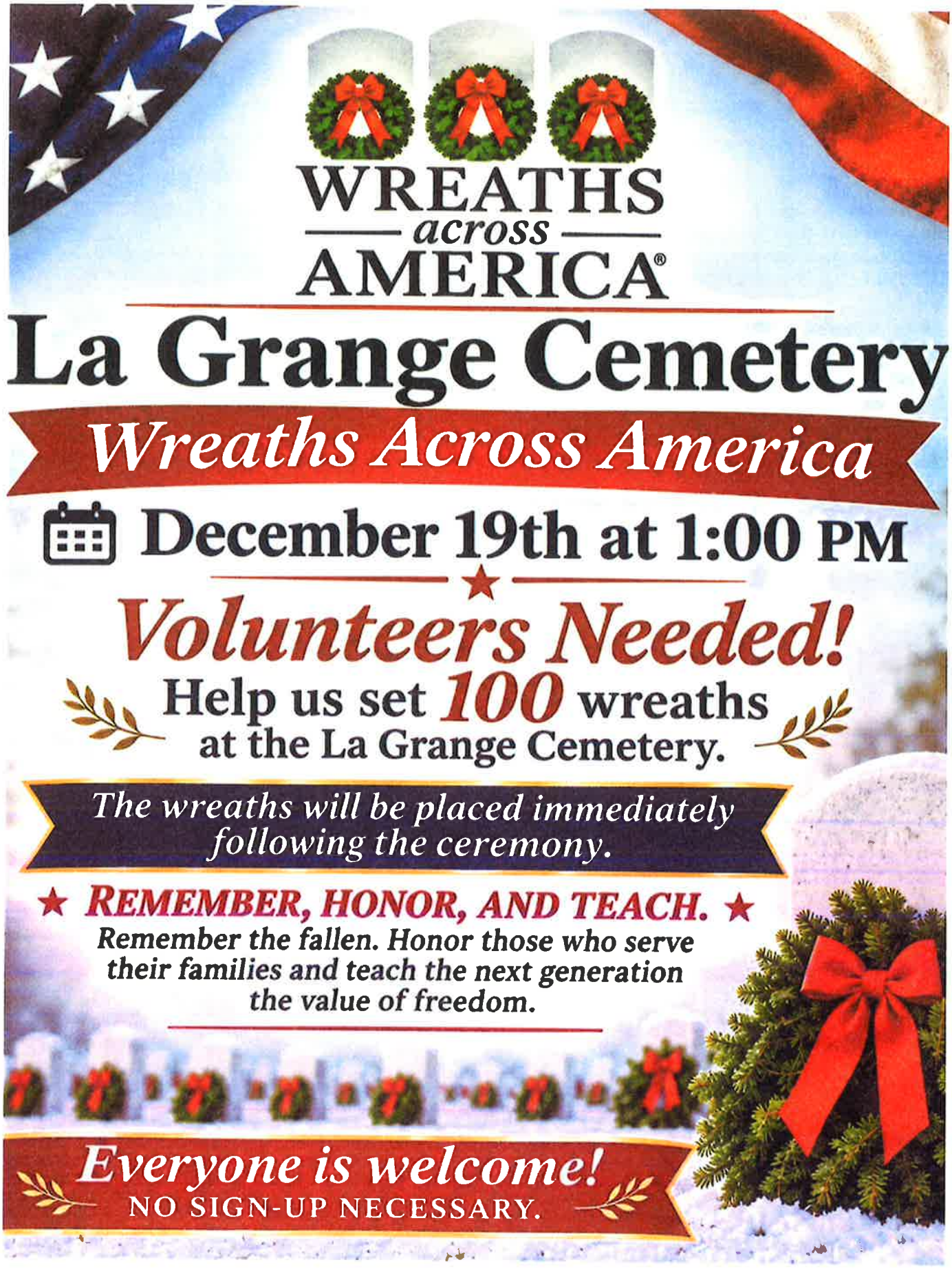
My hope is that when families and loved ones see these wreaths, they will feel the gratitude and respect our community holds for their veterans. That they will know their loved one's service, sacrifice, and memory have not been forgotten.

Knowing that our community has come together to make this possible fills my heart with an overwhelming sense of pride.

To each and every person who sponsored a wreath and helped make this possible, **thank you from the bottom of my heart.** Your generosity means more than words can express.

As we remember and honor our veterans, I hope we will continue to teach our children and grandchildren an understanding of what freedom truly means. The sacrifices made for our freedom should never be forgotten, and neither should the stories of those who made them.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Cathy Stoddard, President
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 70


WREATHS
across
AMERICA®
La Grange Cemetery
Wreaths Across America
December 19th at 1:00 PM
Volunteers Needed!
Help us set 100 wreaths
at the La Grange Cemetery.
The wreaths will be placed immediately
following the ceremony.
★ REMEMBER, HONOR, AND TEACH. ★
Remember the fallen. Honor those who serve
their families and teach the next generation
the value of freedom.
Everyone is welcome!
NO SIGN-UP NECESSARY.

LaGrange-Bear Creek Unity Library and Museum News…
560 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

BOOK SALE NOW at Unity Library and History Center, in former LaGrange High School, at 560 2nd Ave, in LaGrange. You can shop all hours in the hall. Leave your free-will donation in an envelope and slide it under the door. More great books are added every week. Come before they are gone.

Thanks to LaGrange Elementary Teachers and students for coming to our Library Halloween Story-time and snacks. Thanks to Ms. Ham for reading during story time. Delightful as always. We all enjoy seeing the kids in their costumes and getting lots of candy. Each child received free books to keep, also.

Come check out more books, including the mysteries, histories, romance, western, Christian, classics, political, and instructional.

Coming soon: New Longmire Christmas book. Also, planning is underway for a Christmas Social in Unity Library. Enjoy social time, visiting, and food with your friends and neighbors among the books and memorabilia of our own community library. Volunteer to help make it happen. . . . Keep in mind: volunteers are needed. We appreciate all helpers and hosts.

Great Improvement: Unity Library may soon offer on-line access to view Unity's card catalog. Keep in mind, Unity Library is an independent library, funded through donations and NOT supported with tax money. Unity does not have access to the State Library. This on-line connection would display only the books in LGBC Unity Library program. It would allow patrons to see a list of all 12,000 items in Unity's catalog, enable searching for a specific author or book, and list if any books are overdue. If systems are compatible, we hope to implement this improvement soon. Stay tuned.

Thank you, donors and volunteers, for your on-going support for your LaGrange-Bear Creek Unity Library. Come and see your donations at work. Stay a while.



PER TOWN ORDINANCE

Dog Licenses are due January 01, 2027.
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.

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 2027 phone card.

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

LaGrange War Memorial Building

HEY, LAGRANGE! WE NEED YOU!

One Community. One Purpose. One Lasting Legacy.

Our LaGrange War Memorial Community Building needs a little love-and we've got a mountain to move!

Our aging air-conditioning units need replacing, and our furnace needs to be relocated to prevent further damage. We're looking at an estimated **$50,000** project.

That's a big challenge for a small group of eight board members. But we believe something powerful: when a community comes together, ordinary people can accomplish extraordinary things.

BRING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER

We're expanding our community events, including our annual Cook-Off and Pie Auction, with more opportunities throughout the year to gather, have fun, make memories, and raise funds. Every little bit helps!

BUILD SOMETHING THAT LASTS

We want more than a quick fix. We're exploring ways to build long-term financial stability so future generations can enjoy this building without facing the same uncertainty.

HERE'S WHERE YOU COME IN!

Have a great fundraising idea? Enjoy organizing events? Own a local business? Have a few hours to volunteer? Maybe you simply want to be part of something good?

We want you! It doesn't take much, you don't have to have special skills or endless hours. Your ideas, time, talents, connections, and helping hands all matter.

We aren't just repairing a building. We're investing in each other, preserving our history, and building a legacy for generations to come.

It takes a whole community to accomplish something this big!

SO LAGRANGE, ARE YOU READY TO GRAB A SHOVEL?

LET'S MOVE SOME MOUNTAINS!

Tell Us Your Thoughts!

What events would you like to see?

• Farmer's Market	• Food Pantry	• Masquerade
• Movie Night	• Wild Game Feed	• Wine Tasting
• Escape Room	• Sip & Paint	• Murder Mystery Party
• Flea Market	• Comedy Night	• _____

Once completed please return this survey to town hall! We look forward to seeing you at our next event!



Mary Kay Christmas Shopping on Saturday, December 5, from 10 AM to 5:30 PM at 800 State Hwy 151, LaGrange. Enter through front patio. Or call ahead for a special time. 307-575-2424 Bring Friends. Stay & visit. Thanks! Cheryl

December 2026 Senior Friendship Center Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	**1** Turkey Tetrazzini, Spinach, 3-Bean Salad, Fruit Cocktail	**2** Loaded Potato Soup, Mixed Vegetables, Dinner Roll, Spring Mix Salad, Cottage Cheese, Peaches	**3** Pork Chop, Barley Squash Pilaf, Diced Beets, Fruited Jell-O	**4** Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Italian Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Pineapple, Wasp Cake
7 Chicken Flauta, Refried Beans, Cilantro & Lime Rice, Pears	**8** Ham, Macaroni & Cheese, Spinach, Apple Slices	**9** Braised Beef over Noodles, Asparagus, Tossed Salad, Mandarin Oranges	**10** Farmhouse Chicken Casserole, California Vegetables, Carrot-Raisin Salad, Peaches	**11** Pork Fritter, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Broccoli, Spring Mix Salad, Applesauce, Pudding
14 Chicken Breast in Mushroom Gravy, Scalloped Potatoes, Fruit Cocktail	**15** Taco Salad with Lettuce, Tomato, Salsa, and Sour Cream, Pears	**16** Potato Crusted Cod, Herb Mushroom Barley, Stewed Tomatoes, Cucumber Tomato Salad, Ambrosia	**17** BBQ Chicken Legs, Macaroni & Cheese, Corn, Coleslaw, Yogurt Parfait	**18** Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Cauliflower, Spinach Salad, Peaches, Blueberry Crisp
21 Beef & Barley Stew, Bread Stick, Tossed Salad, 3-Bean Salad, Fiji Apple	**22** Salmon, Tomato-Asparagus Couscous, Carrot-Apple-Raisin Salad, Pears	**23** Turkey, Sweet Potato Casserole, Brussel Sprouts, Stuffing, Pea Salad, Cherry Pie	**24** **CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS** 	**25**
28 Chicken Strips, Company Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Apricots	**29** Beef & Bean Burrito with Lettuce, Tomato, and Onion, Exotic Grain Rice, Grapes	**30** Ranch Chicken Breast, Potato Medley, Broccoli, Dinner Roll, Pears	**31** Goulash, Italian Vegetables, Bread Stick, Frog Eye Salad, Banana	

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 call by 9:30am at the LHS contact number to let them know.

Merry Christmas



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Regular Library Hours Hosts and subs needed. Call Ahead or watch for OPEN sign. **Monday:** 3:30-5:00PM **Tuesday:** 10AM-12PM & 4-6PM **Wednesday:** 12:30 – 2:30 PM **Thursday:** 12:30-2pm & 4-6pm Call ahead For Baby Book Time Pat 307-834-2405 **Friday:** 1PM-4PM		1	2 AWANA/Cubbies 6-7:30pm Elem School field trip	3 Baby Book Time 12:30pm –2:30pm	4 LaGrange Elem Green Friday, decorating cookies	5 Cheryl's Mary Kay 10am-5:30pm
6 Youth Group at FSB Student Center 6-8pm	7	8 Library Meeting 7:00pm	9 AWANA/Cubbies 6-7:30pm	10 Town Council Meeting 5pm LaGrange Elem carry in 5pm concert 6pm	11 No School	12
13 Youth Group at FSB Student Center 6-8pm	14 Aux Meeting 5:00pm EMS Meeting 7pm fire Hall	15	16 AWANA/Cubbies 6-7:30pm	17 Baby Book Time 12:30pm	18 Newsletter Deadline No school until Jan 4th	19
20 Youth Group a FSB Student Center 6-8pm	21 Homemakers 1:30pm at Wanda's Kessler's **Com Bldg Meeting 6pm**	22	23 AWANA/Cubbies 6-7:30pm	24 Town Hall Closed 24th & 25th	25 Merry Christmas	26
27 Youth Group at FSB Student Center 6-8pm	28 4-H/Cloverbud Mtg 7pm, Comm Bldg	29	30 Fire Dept Meeti 8:00pm Fire Ha AWANA/Cubbies 6-7:30pm	31 Baby Book Time 12:30pm –2:30pm		



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