

NEWSLETTER



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WINTER 2023 PREVENTION ACTIVITIES

DECEMBER:

- 1st – WPC and W-Club at West Side Elementary STEM Night
- 6th - Ten Sleep Task Force Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the library
- 15th - WPC Meeting 12 – 1 p.m. at the Worland Community Center



JANUARY- MENTAL WELLNESS MONTH:

- 3rd – Ten Sleep Task Force Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the library
- W-Club lessons in Worland elementary schools
- Guidance lessons in Ten Sleep School
- 26th – WPC Meeting 12 - 1 pm at the Worland Community Center
- 28th – Prevention Night at Ten Sleep School

FEBRUARY:

- 3rd – Prevention Night at Worland Schools
- 7th - Ten Sleep Task Force Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the library
- 16th – WPC meeting 12 – 1 pm at the Worland Community Center
- 21st – ACEs Training 6 - 8 p.m. at CrossPoint Baptist Church



“Prevention doesn’t just save money; it saves lives.”

- Prevention Action Alliance



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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



STEVE RAKNESS
Coalition Member

Steve Rakness has been an invaluable leader in Washakie County's prevention efforts. As Sheriff of Washakie County, his knowledge of and ongoing advocacy for substance abuse prevention in the county has helped educate the public regarding prevention's essential role in making our community safe and healthy. He has partnered with the Worland Police Department to provide law enforcement expertise and leadership for WPC meetings and events. His regular and faithful work on behalf of our youth and community have been very much appreciated, and we wish him the best in his retirement!



CANTON GREEN AND TRAE BENNET
W-Club 2022-23

The W-Club and WPC teach prevention lessons in all the Worland elementary classrooms at least twice a year, and both Trae Bennett and Canton Green are outstanding examples of this important program. As they were helping teach the lessons and making connections with students, Trae and Canton made a concerted effort to emphasize the importance of making good choices and how those choices helped them be successful students. During the lessons, they were very engaging and took time to stay and talk to students who wanted a little more of their time. Thanks to these and all of our W-Club members for investing time in our younger students! You are making a difference!

PUBLIC HEALTH

Washakie County Public Health is an active and integral part of WPC's prevention efforts. Working with the Wyoming Medication Donation Program (WMDP), they accept medications that patients no longer need and send them to the WMDP if they are eligible medications; or they can help properly waste them. By removing unused medication from the home, they help reduce the risk of accidental poisoning and drug abuse. Public Health also carries locked medication bottles that are free to the public to help keep your medications safe. If you would like one of these medication bottles or more resources, please call 347-3278 or stop by the office at 1007 Robertson Avenue in Worland.

STEM NIGHT

Our High School youth helped at West Side's STEM night working with the young students on various STEM activities, and helping them learn about the science of prevention and brain development.



YOUTH ON THE RADIO

We have had some Youth representing Washakie Prevention Coalition on the radio. You can listen to the radio commercials on our facebook page or our local radio station.



CHEER ON THE WARRIORS
AT OUR THIRD ANNUAL

PREVENTION

NIGHT

SWIM MEET &
BASKETBALL GAME

FRIDAY
FEBRUARY
3

WEAR WHITE
TO SHOW YOUR
SUPPORT OF
A DRUG FREE
COMMUNITY

SWIMMING: 3:00
BASKETBALL: 5:30/7:00



WPC
MOST DON'T.



CHEER ON THE PIONEERS
AT OUR ANNUAL

PREVENTION NIGHT BASKETBALL GAME

JANUARY
SATURDAY
28

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QPR Trainings

QPR stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer - the three simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just as people trained in CPR help save lives, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help. QPR can be learned in as little as one hour.



OUR MISSION:

To prevent and reduce youth substance abuse in Washakie County by working together with parents, youth, educators, law enforcement, health and mental health professionals, youth serving organizations, local businesses, and many others who believe in the goal of a drug free community.

OUR VISION:

Washakie County will be a safe and healthy, drug-free community for our youth.



Washakie Prevention Coalition is a community wide group dedicated to the goal of a drug-free community!

JOIN US!

We are here to help. You can too!

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