

# Heartland CASA December Newsletter

## THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED MAKE OUR DESIGN AND DESSERTS 2016 A SUCCESS

Thanks to all who attended, donated, and sponsored this event. The evening was fun and profitable. Plans for Design and Desserts, 2017 have already begun!

### PROJECT EVERLAST ACTIVITIES

*Heather Anderson, Youth Advisor*

Happy Holidays from Project Everlast.

We just had our Thanksgiving meeting. We are so grateful to Hy-Vee, who donated the entire meal. During our meeting we had a discussion on what everyone was doing for Thanksgiving. For our Leadership enrichment segment, one youth took the lead and shared out of The 6 Most Important Decisions You Will Ever Make.

We would like to congratulate one young lady in our group on the arrival of her name baby girl. Mom and baby are doing great.

From all of at Project Everlast, we would like to wish everyone a very happy holiday, may your days be filled with blessings, family and friends.

## Heartland CASA Board of Directors

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Board

The Heartland CASA Board meets the second Tuesday, every other month, at the CASA office, 506 W. 3rd, Grand Island, 12:00 noon.

## Program Statistics

### How Are We Doing?

This month 120 children had active, adjudicated cases in Hall, Howard, Hamilton, and Merrick Counties.

To date, 57 children were served by 19 CASA Volunteers. That equals 49% of children served.

Who do you know that is a potential CASA Volunteer?

Please help us connect with them and take one step closer of

### **Volunteer Holiday Party**

**Volunteers will be honored at a Christmas Party on December 8th, from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. HyVee Community Room. Please RSVP to the office prior to December 5th.**

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**VOLUNTERS** - remember to turn in your time sheets.  
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\*\*\***Adoption Day was celebrated November 19, 2016.**\*\*\*

**Heartland CASA donated toys for the children's activities that day and a celebration cake !!**

### **Christmas at Stuhr Museum**

Heartland CASA participated in the Festival of Trees at Stuhr Museum. The trees will be on display through the holidays.

The tree is decorated with new CASA advertising that you will begin seeing throughout the year. The angel on top represents our volunteers. Stop by Stuhr Museum and see all the beautiful trees - especially OURS.

reaching our goal to serve EVERY child by 2020.

### **New Advertising**

You may begin seeing and hearing new advertising for CASA, as a statewide ad campaign has begun.

Be the Voice of a Child

It states, "More than 2,000 abused and neglected children need someone to speak on their behalf in Nebraska courtrooms. CASA volunteers give them a voice.

Become a CASA volunteer.

CASA for the kids !!!"

### **FRIEND us on FACEBOOK !!**

**Be sure to LIKE and SHARE Heartland CASA's FACEBOOK PAGE !!**

[www.facebook.com/heartlandcasa](http://www.facebook.com/heartlandcasa)

**Happy Birthday  
to our Volunteers and  
Supporters  
Celebrating in December:  
Emma Dentino**

*"Every morning when I wake up, I have a choice. I simply choose to be positive."*

*Gary Player,  
legendary  
Hall of Fame professional golfer*

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**December 8 - Volunteer Holiday Party, HyVee Community Room, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (RSVP by December 5)**

**December 15 - Breakfast and Learn: Addiction, CASA Office - 9:00 a.m.**

**Office will be closed December 23-26th.**

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE BOARD AND STAFF AT HEARTLAND CASA.**

**Wishing you the best in the brand new year !!**

**HAPPY 2017 !! (Heartland CASA office will be closed Monday, January 2, 2017.**

**A Child's Voice. A Child's Life. Lifted Up.  
By you.**

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