



## Ken Stone - New Volunteer Swearing In Ceremony



Ken Stone, our newest CASA volunteer, was sworn in on Friday, July 14th.

Ken is from St. Paul and he and his wife, Jane, have 3 grown children. Ken has a deep passion to help children achieve a better life, and he hopes to make that difference in the lives of his CASA children.

Ken works Logistics for Case New Holland, and enjoys playing golf and watching sports. His words of wisdom are, "trust in your faith and believe in yourself."

## CASA 101

### What is CASA?

A Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer is a trained citizen who is appointed by a judge to represent the best interest of a child in court. Most of the children are victims of abuse and/or neglect.



### It's Not to Late

to sign up to help at the Ice Cream Parlor during the State Fair

For each shift Heartland CASA has working, we get a percentage of the profits from United Way and the Scoops Ice Cream Parlor. Go to:

<http://signup.com/go/ryGJPwW>

to sign up for a shift. Be sure and put Heartland CASA behind your name, for us to receive credit.

Some of the perks for signing up: there are many different shift times, you receive a free parking pass to the State Fair, you work with other volunteers from the community, make extra dollars for Heartland CASA, AND maybe get a scoop of ice cream !!!

Get family members, friends, business associates—to sign up with you. All they have to do is put Heartland CASA behind their name, and they too will help us out !

## Program Statistics How Are We Doing?

This month 133 children had active, adjudicated cases in Hall, Howard, Hamilton, and Merrick Counties.

To date, 39 children were served by 16 CASA Volunteers. That equals 30% of

**Do you belong to a group, organization or event, that is interested in learning more about the CASA Program and volunteering with Heartland CASA?**

**Our passionate staff members are ready to speak to your colleagues, community group, place of worship, or other group about the role of a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA). Whether five minutes or an hour, large group or small, we can tailor the presentation to suit your needs, and educate your staff about our mission and goals.**

**To request an individual speaker or panel, please contact Sarah Koch at [skoch@heartlandcasa.org](mailto:skoch@heartlandcasa.org).**

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

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

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

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- August 8 - United Way Tour of Agencies
- August 9 - Nebraska Coalition: Supporting LSBTQ Survivors of DV/SA in Small Communities Webinar, CASA Board Room
- August 10 - Lunch and Learn, Human Trafficking Specialist Melissa Kometscher, CASA Board Room, 12-1
- August 25-September 4 - Nebraska State Fair, COME HELP AT THE ICE CREAM PARLOR
- August 31 - Book Club, 9-10, Barista's

children served.

Who do you know that is a potential CASA Volunteer?

Please help us connect with them and take one step closer of reaching our goal to serve EVERY child by 2020.

## **Heartland CASA Board of Directors**

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

## **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

Debbie Mittan - August 5  
Tonja Brown - August 20  
Jill Purvis - August 23  
Herson Castaneda - August 28



## **MISSION**

**Heartland CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) supports abused and neglected children in the court system through recruiting and training informed, caring volunteers who**

"When a flower doesn't bloom,  
you fix the environment in which  
it grows; not the flower."

-Alexander Den Heijer



Heartland CASA's annual **Design and Dessert** event has been set for **Thursday, November 3, 2017**. This year's theme is: CASA Hero's for Hope.

speak for these children.

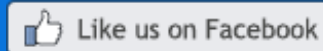
## VISION

An organization that champions the needs of abused and neglected children in Hall, Hamilton, Howard and Merrick counties, including foremost, a safe and permanent home.

2017 begins our 21st year serving Hall, Hamilton, Howard and Merrick counties with our goal for 2020 to have an advocate for each child in care due to abuse or neglect.

If you, or you know of someone that might be interested in being a voice for a child in the court system, please call our office at: 308-385-5125.

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By you.

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