

# NEW BEGINNINGS

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## Community Garage Sale

**Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>,  
9:00 AM**

**Rolls, coffee, and tea to be served  
at the Stratton United Methodist  
Church.**

**Maps will be available the Friday  
before the garage sale at the  
following locations:  
MNB Bank lobby, Stratton Country  
Market and Facebook.**

## Stratton Public Library Summer Reading Program - TAILS AND TALES

June 7th - July 3rd  
Mondays 1 PM - 5 PM  
Thursdays 12 PM - 5 PM  
Saturday 1 PM - 4 PM

For Ages 5 thru 6th grade

Earn 50 cent coupons to spend at local  
businesses!

Storytime will be held on Mondays at  
3:00 PM.

Young Adults will be earning \$1.00  
coupons for books read and for  
volunteering at the Stratton Public  
Library.

Please come join us for lots of fun!

**DIVE INTO TWO DAYS  
OF FIN-TASTIC FUN!**

Stratton United Methodist  
Church VBS  
June 17-18th, 2021  
9:00-11:30 am

Come join us in the fun!  
For more information call  
Beth Kollmorgen at  
308-340-8591

For kids finishing preschool  
through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

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## Little House Museum

### Scheduled Displays:

June 6<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>

Aprons

July 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>

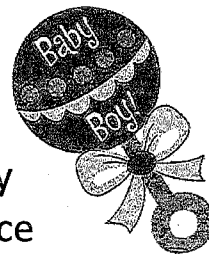
Wedding and Prom Dresses

August 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>

Baby Quilts and Afghans

-Contact Pat Egle, Jane Voss, Bernard Andrijeski, Monica Desautels, or Janet Felt to volunteer any of the above items.

## Callen Justus Ely



Kevin and Lorretta Ely are happy to announce the birth of their baby grandson, Callen Justus Ely. Callen arrived on April 29<sup>th</sup> and is the third child of Jon and Heather Ely of Colorado. Callen joins his sister, Keira, and his brother, Caleb.



The family of Richard and Sharon Polson are honoring them with a card shower in celebration of their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. They were married June 17, 1961 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Stratton, Nebraska.

Cards can be sent to Richard and Sharon at:  
PO Box 112  
Stratton, Nebraska 69043

## BOYD NAMED TO CSC'S DEAN'S LIST

Natalie Boyd has been named to Chadron State College's Spring 2021 Dean's List by meeting the requirements for the Dean's List, earning at least a 3.5 grade point average.

To qualify, students must be enrolled in 12 credit hours of coursework, be seeking their first bachelor's degree, and have no incomplete grades during the semester.

## 1st Place Winner!



By Avery Sutton/Stratton Elementary

Molly Ladenburger, a third grader from DCS Stratton Elementary, won first place in the Region 51 Emergency Management weather poster contest. The poster contest is to raise awareness about severe weather. Artists must be in third grade to enter, any home schools, public schools, or private schools could enter their students. Winners were chosen locally. Her poster is being sent to be judged at the state level.

## Help Wanted

The Village of Stratton is accepting applications for the positions of swimming pool manager, assistant manager, and lifeguards at the Stratton Swimming Pool.

Must have proper certification and training or be able to be obtained (reimbursed by the Village if hired). Applications will be taken until the positions are filled. Contact the Village of Stratton at 409 Bailey, call 308-276-2184 or visit [www.strattonnebraska.com](http://www.strattonnebraska.com) for more information or to complete an application.



## Easy Everyday Roast

3-5 lb roast

1 packet Ranch dressing mix

1 packet Italian dressing mix

2 cups beef broth

(or 1 packet brown gravy mix + 2 cups water)



Add all ingredients to a slow-cooker. Cook on low for 6-8 hours.

This roast recipe is great for beef and noodles, French dip sandwiches, or a traditional pot roast dinner.

Sandy R.

\*\* Have a favorite recipe you'd like to share?  
Send it in! It could be featured in the next issue! \*\*

## THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

This is the best time of the year. It's not really hot yet and everything is green, flowers in bloom, the trees leafed out, the animals for the most part have their new babies and the birds are busy with their nests. It's like the earth is having a new birth.

When you surrender yourself to Jesus it's like a new birth for you. Only this time, instead of physical birth, it's spiritual birth. You are a new person. Everything around you look new and fresh and Jesus really changes you. In the 22nd chapter of Luke, beginning with the 55th verse, ending with the 62nd verse, it tells of the disciple Peter and how he said he didn't know Jesus. He was trying to protect himself from the guards that were holding Jesus. When he realized that he had denied knowing Christ, he ran away and wept bitterly. In the book of John chapter 20 verse 19-20: It tells that after the resurrection, Jesus and all of the disciples were together, Jesus appeared to them and they all believed that He was alive.

Because they believed that God had raised Him from the dead they were saved. Then in the book of Acts, chapter 2, verses 1-13 they were filled with the Holy Spirit. Then verses 14-41 tells about Peter getting up, preaching a sermon and 3000 people were saved and baptized that day. Meek Peter—the lowly fisherman, the one who ran, got up in front of that huge crowd and told them about the saving grace of Jesus. Peter was really changed. Jesus really changed me and mine. How about you? God says the time for repentance, (change) is now. For many of us, there might not be a next week.

Richard Stahly



I won! Thank you to Little House Museum Board for the beautiful Nebraska quilt which I won from their drawing – Go Big Red. Thank you also for all your hard work in preserving the history of Stratton!

Julie Bernt

## Church Worship Service Schedule

### Comm. United Methodist Church

**9:00 a.m. Church Services**

**10:15 a.m. Sunday School**

### Christian Union Church

**9:30 a.m. Sunday School**

**10:30 a.m. Church Services**

### St. Joseph Catholic Church

**8:30 a.m. Mass**

### Church of Christ

**10:00 a.m. Sunday School**

**10:30 a.m. Church Services**

### Southwest Nebraska Holiness Church

**10:30 a.m. Sunday School**

**11:30 a.m. Church Services**

**7:00 p.m. Church Services**

### Saturday Night Launch

**7:30 p.m. Held at Church of God  
202 Main St. – Trenton**

**308-340-5273**

**-or-**

**308-737-0901**

I can do  
everything  
through Christ,  
who gives me  
strength.

(Philippians 4:13)

Thank you!

We are extremely humbled and very grateful to everyone that has shown their love and support as Jay continues to fight his health issues. Whether it be through donations to his benefit account, prayers, or just kind words of support, we appreciate you all. Keep the prayers coming! God bless you all!

-Jay & Shelly Richardson & Family

Thank you!

I would like to take time and thank everyone that has been beyond good to us during Stan's time in the hospital fighting acute myeloid leukemia. Thank you for the cards, kind thoughts, wishes, hugs, and especially prayers. A special thanks to Muriel Faimon, Westleigh Miesner, Marilyn, Patrick and Matthew Lorens, Brad Jesch, Melissa Dailey, Dustin Ladenburger, and Chris and Abby Sandberg. I was so touched to see their beautiful trailers coming down the road to help me get 60-ish cow-calf pairs to pasture. This would have taken Westleigh and I forever with my small trailer. The job was done in, I believe, 1 ½ hours. You have no idea how much pressure this took off my mind to get them there before the rains started again. I know how busy you all are at this time of year. You took off your valuable time to help me when I needed it most. God bless you with good health, no bad weather, good crops and the best calf crop ever off these beautiful pastures due to the wonderful rains.

If anyone ever needs help in their time of need, let me know. No matter how tiny or big the job has been to help me, I appreciate it beyond words.

Muriel has been so good to help me even after long 8-12 hour shifts at work. I believe Westleigh was truly sent by God. He was between jobs. He needed work and I needed a helper. I don't lie to call him my hired man, I like to call him my friend. I know the job will be done the way I ask him to do it. I'm sure he bites his tongue many times knowing full well there're better ways of doing things.

Stan is doing good. To talk to him you wouldn't know he had anything wrong with him. The chemo is going well, and he hasn't had nausea so far. Please continue to keep him and our family in your prayers. Stan says, "You are the wind beneath his wings."

Becky Faimon

### Game and Parks Offers Paddling Safety Tips

Warming weather brings out paddlers looking to enjoy a day on the water. The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission reminds them to keep safety their top priority

Even though air temperatures can quickly warm this time of year, Nebraska's waters still are relatively cold. And the lakes and rivers are often considered milder waters, which can jade the perception of operators of paddle craft.

The following are tips to stay safe when out on a paddling adventure:

**Wear a life jacket** – In Nebraska, every vessel, except sailboards, must carry a wearable life jacket for each person on board, and every person on board age 12 and under must wear a life jacket.

**Paddle in pairs or with a group** – paddling in a group reduces the risk to any individual in the event of an emergency.

**Avoid extremes of water and weather** – Water temperature is a key factor in having a safe paddle trip. Treat any water temperature below 70 degrees with caution by wearing a wet or dry suit to reduce your risk for hypothermia. Keep in mind, Nebraska's weather can also change quickly. It is important to reschedule your trip if there is potential for severe weather.

**Check USGS gauges** – The U.S. Geological Survey's website has streamflow data on the many Nebraska rivers that have gauges. This is helpful, real-time depth and discharge information that can be used to judge if a river is too high or too low to safely paddle. Visit [waterdata.usgs.gov/ne/nwis/rt](http://waterdata.usgs.gov/ne/nwis/rt).

**Tell others your plan** – Give friends or family your itinerary so they know where you will be and when to expect you back.

**Training** – It's always a great idea to seek out training from a qualified paddling instructor. An instructor can provide valuable skills that could keep your trip from going from an exciting adventure to a dire emergency. For paddling trip ideas and more information, visit [outdoornebraska.gov/watertrails](http://outdoornebraska.gov/watertrails). (Article from The Benkelman Post)



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MNB – Use of Copier

Which of the following is a traditional gift to give on a 19th wedding anniversary?

- A) aquamarine
- B) china
- C) coral
- D) lace

Answer: A – aquamarine; 20th year – china; 35th year – coral; 13th year – lace.

### STRATTON QUALITY HEALTHCARE CLINIC HOURS

Providers subject to change.

Monday – Closed

Tuesday – Dr. Stonehocker – 10:30-12:00 & 1:30-4:30 CT

Wednesday – Jennifer Leiting – 9:00-12:00 & 1:00-5:00 CT

Thursday – Dr. Joe Garcia – 9:00-12:00 CT

Friday – Closed






For appointments outside of these dates/times, please call Quality Healthcare Clinic in Benkelman at (308) 423-2151.

# Hitchcock Co. Senior Center Lunch Menu @ Grandview

## June 2021 (Dining Room is back open)

Call 276-2661 by 10:30am each day to reserve your meal.

\*\*\*Milk is available upon request for home delivered meals\*\*\*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1</b> Ham Loaf w/ Cherry Sauce, Scalloped Potatoes, Spinach, Pineapple & Texas Toast	<b>2</b> Soft Tacos, Tomatoes, Lettuce, Kidney Beans, Peppers & Onions & Pears	<b>3</b> Fried Shrimp w/ Glaze, Baked Potato, Sweet Glazed Carrots, Jello w/ Fruit & Dinner Roll	<b>4</b> No Noon Meal	<b>5</b> Card Party 7 PM 
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> No Noon Meal	<b>8</b> Sloppy Joes, Yams, Corn & Peppers & Bananas w/ Chocolate Pudding	<b>9</b> Cream Chicken, Peas & Onions, Spinach & Tomatoes, Orange Jello & Noodles	<b>10</b> Hashbrown Casserole & Strawberry Waffles	<b>11</b> No Noon Meal	<b>12</b> Card Party 7 PM 
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> No Noon Meal	<b>15</b> Pot Roast, Potatoes & Onions, Carrots, Celery & Corn, Applesauce & Dinner Roll	<b>16</b> Chicken Chow Mein, Carrots, Celery & Water Chestnuts, Peas, Peaches & Rice	<b>17</b> Chicken Tenders or Liver & Onions, Mashed Potatoes, Beets, Pineapple & Coconut & Scones	<b>18</b> No Noon Meal	<b>19</b> Card Party 7 PM 
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> No Noon Meal	<b>22</b> Smothered Burger, French Fries, Spinach, Pears & Texas Toast	<b>23</b> Ginger Chicken Breast, Carrots & Celery, Cabbage, Apples w/ Pudding & Crescent Roll	<b>24</b> <u>Birthday Meal</u> Sweet & Sour Meatballs, Beets, Side Salad, Strawberry Pudding Cake & Rice	<b>25</b> No Noon Meal	<b>26</b> Card Party 7 PM 
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> No Noon Meal	<b>29</b> BBQ Beef Sandwich, Tator Tots, Kidney Beans, Onions & Tomatoes & Mixed Fruit	<b>30</b> Bone-In Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner Roll & Blueberry Crisp	<b>1-Jul</b>	<b>2</b> No Noon Meal	<b>3</b> Card Party 7 PM 
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> No Noon Meal	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> No Noon Meal	<b>10</b> Card Party 7 PM 

### Special Events

Home Delivered and Take Out Meals available  
Card Party is now meeting every Saturday @ 7 PM  
FROGS is on Tuesdays and Fridays @ 10 AM

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