

# NEW BEGINNINGS

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*Congratulations!*

*To the Class of 2022*

*Kylee McLain*

*Ara Petersen*

*Layne Sutton*

*Lillian Wiese*

Did You Know –

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, began during the American Civil War when citizens placed flowers on the graves of those who had been killed in battle. After World War I, it came to be observed in honor of those who had died in all U.S. wars and the name was changed to Memorial Day.



**2022 MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM**

**MONDAY, MAY 30, 2022 - 9:30 a.m.**

**At Grandview Event Center – Stratton**

**Everyone Welcome!**

## **Appreciation Pot Luck Supper**

***Honoring Stratton Area Volunteer  
Firefighters and EMT's***

**Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 p.m. at Lakeview Lodge**

**-Please bring your favorite dish and help us thank these special volunteers and their families. Paper goods and silverware will be provided.**

**--If you have any questions or need directions to the lodge, please call Julie Bernt @ 308-276-2166 or 276-2237.**

**--Free-will offering will go to the Fire Department and EMT's.**

**--All are welcome to attend.**



Grandview Community & Events Center is having an excess kitchen inventory reduction auction. The auction is now live, and it concludes on May 15<sup>th</sup>. The auction link is available on Grandview's Facebook page. Please call Grandview at 276-2661 or visit their Facebook page for more information.

**Dundy County Hospital's Annual Health Fair**  
**June 3, 2022 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm (MT)**  
**at the Dundy County Stratton High School in Benkelman, NE**

**Health Fair Lab Dates Listed Below:**

For accuracy of your test results, you will need to fast (nothing to eat or drink except for water) 10-12 hours prior. Dundy County Hospital will collect payment when you come in for your lab draw. We cannot accept debit or credit cards.

• **Dundy County Hospital**

Wednesday, May 11th, 6:00 am to 9:00 am (MT)

Thursday, May 19th, 6:00 am to 9:00 am (MT)

Wednesday, May 25th, 6:00 am to 9:00 am (MT)

*This cannot and will not be billed to your insurance company or wellness plan.*

• **El Dorado Assisted Living 71434 Hwy 25 Trenton, NE**

Wednesday, May 11th, 6:00 am to 8:00 am (CT)

**General Health Panel \$40.00**

Included: CBC, CMP, TSH, Phosphorus, Magnesium, Uric Acid, Lipid Profile

• **Stratton Medical Clinic 903 Bailey St. Stratton, NE**

Thursday, May 26th, 6:00 am to 9:00 am (CT)

**PSA (Prostate Cancer Screen) \$10.00**

**A1C (Diabetes Screen) \$10.00**

• **Haigler at the Golden Inn 217 Porter Ave. Haigler, NE**

Tuesday, May 17, 6:00 am to 9:00 am (MT)

**Check or cash only please!**

**Schedule your appointment by calling 308-423-2204.**

Dundy County Hospital  
 1313 N Cheyenne St.  
 Benkelman, NE 69021  
[www.dchbenkelman.com](http://www.dchbenkelman.com)



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**Pancake Sausage Muffins**

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| • ½ lb sausage, browned and drained | 4 T sugar           | 2 eggs             |
| • 1 ½ c. milk                       | 2 tsp baking powder | 4 T butter, melted |
| • 4 T white vinegar                 | 1 tsp baking soda   | 1 tsp vanilla      |
| • 2 c. flour                        | 1 tsp salt          |                    |

- 1) In a small bowl, combine milk and vinegar, and allow to sit for 5 minutes.
- 2) In a large bowl, sift together flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda, and salt.
- 3) Add in eggs, butter, vanilla, and milk mixture. Stir in sausage.
- 4) Grease a muffin tin or use muffin liners. Fill cups 2/3 full with batter.
- 5) Bake 15-16 minutes at 400°F. Serve with maple syrup.



What is Gaga? Gaga is a variant of dodgeball that is played in a gaga "pit". The game combines dodging, striking, running, and jumping, with the objective of being the last person standing. Players hit the ball at each other with their hands, and are eliminated if the ball strikes them on or below the knee (occasionally the waist). The game can be played by a group of individual players or with teams, as well as in one-on-one matches. Rules, ball types, pit surfaces, and pit sizes can vary widely at different venues.

Through a generous grant from the Stratton Community Foundation, the students of Stratton Elementary can now enjoy this new sport. Below are thank you notes from the students expressing their appreciation for the new playground equipment:

- Gaga ball is awesome
- Fantastic and the most fun thing to happen in recess.
- Gaga ball to me is exciting and fun because of the risk or losing.
- Gaga ball is fun and challenging!!!!
- Gaga ball is fun and challenge to me.
- Gaga ball to is appreciated because it gives us another option on something to do at recess.
- I like trying to hit the ball with one hand.
- It's a great fun way to spend time with friends.
- It helps us with developing sportsmanship.
- Thank You for the Gaga Ball Pit.
- It helps with hand/eye coordination.
- It helps with sportsmanship. It is also a game we all like to play.

**Congratulations** to the following graduates of North Platte Community College for the 2021-2022 academic year:

**Associate Degree of Nursing:** Shelly Wallace

**Practical Nursing:** Elianna Sandberg

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**Congratulations** to Dundy County Stratton FBLA Award Winners Lillian Wiese and Layne Sutton. Lillian and Layne placed first in hospitality and Event Management earning a spot to compete at the National Leadership Conference to be held in Chicago in late June. Layne also was a member of a team that earned Honorable Mention in the Sports and Entertainment Management event.

Adviser, Mrs. Lisa Fox was recognized for 20 years of dedicated service to Nebraska FBLA.

The DCS chapter earned the Gold Seal Chapter Award of Merit which recognizes chapters that have actively participated in projects and programs identified with the goals of FBLA-PBL.

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**Congratulations** to Haley Ladenburger who was one of 24 students accepted to the spring session of CodeCrush and was awarded with a \$1,000 scholarship for undergraduate admission to UNO Saturday night at the closing ceremonies which was held at the Omaha Zoo.

CodeCrush is a program for Midwest females identifying students who are in eighth or ninth grade. It is funded through grants, and is designed to help inspire women to enter the field of information technology. The students spend three days taking courses in a variety of IT concepts mixed with various meetings and panels with leaders in IT.

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### *Thank You*

*A thank you doesn't seem adequate when thanking the many volunteer fire departments and all of the farmers who come with discs and other equipment to assist with the fire close to my home and out buildings. Had it not been for all of their efforts my home and other buildings would have been lost.*

*Thank you again,  
Thaine Gilliland*

# Stratton Public Library

Connect with your Library

**Hours: Monday 12-7pm Thursdays 12-5pm**

**Highlighted Book of the Month: The Story Jar The story of three Mothers and parental love...a great Mother's Day read!**

New Books on the shelf just waiting to be checked out.....

Adult:

Off the Grid, Cold Wind, Force of Nature, Savage Run, Endangered by C.J. Box

The Korean War Pusan to Chosin, The Korean War Uncertain Victory by Knox

Blackett's War by Budiansky The Iron Sea by Read

Born to Die by Jackson Flash by Krentz Shadow Tyrants by Cussler The Outsider by Williamson

The Witness, Of Blood and Bone, The Liar by Roberts One Perfect Lie by Scottoline

Void Moon by Connelly Peach Blossom Spring by Fu Into the Water by Hawkins

Piece of My Heart by Clark Tailspin, Thick As Thieves by S.Brown Captivating by Eldredge

Whirlwind by Dailey

**Our New Theme Winner is Kenley Evans! He won \$10 for his theme:**

**Light up your Imagination...READ**

His theme will be represented in our Library News for the next full YEAR!

**A HUGE Thanks to all that visited our Library during the month of APRIL to celebrate National Library Month. I hope you enjoyed the goodies.**

\*\*\*Watch for information about the Summer Reading Program which will take place during the month of June. Every Monday in June kids will be able to Dive into an Ocean of Possibilities at the Library. More details to come, but for now.....mark your calendar for every Monday in June. We will start Story and Activity Time at 3:00 each Monday (Time change from last year!)

**If your kids are planning on participating it would be helpful on supply purchases if you could give me a call at the library to pre-register your children. Thanks Phone 276 -2463**

**New Service from YOUR STRATTON LIBRARY....TWO LAPTOPS AND THREE KINDLES ARE AVAILABLE FOR CHECK OUT BY ANY SCHOOL STUDENT OR PERSON TAKING CLASSES. Stop into the Library to find out the details!**

# Puzzle 15

# Bamboozables



The object is to try to figure out the well-known saying, person, place, or thing that each bamboozable is meant to represent.

See answers in the  
June/July Issue of *New Beginnings*

1. TEMPERA  
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2. PAR  
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3. CHANCE

4. HEART

5. COLLAR  
HOT

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HEAD  
SAND

7. DEAD BODY  
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8. NO NO  
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10. LOOKING  
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11. BBBB

12. BRAIN  
KIDNEY  
HOME  
HEART

13. WHERE WHERE WHERE  
WHERE WHERE WHERE  
RAINBOW

14. SKOT

15. 2TO

16. JUST

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18. CCCCCCCC

19. intelligent  
smart  
wise

20. Dressed Dressed Dressed  
place STOP  
place WAIT  
GO

21. WE IGH  
WH EY

22. chair

23. TIRE

24. WAKE  
suzie

25. iii  
BAGS

26. FIRING FIRING FIRING

27. GRASS

28. STEP  
STEP  
STEP  
STEP

29. REA<sup>TH</sup>SON

30. MORE  
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31. LOSS WORDS  
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WORDS  
WORDS

32. NO E\_N

33. ORDER

34. SKATING

35. J O<sup>AN</sup> B

36. SIGN