

# WAUNETA HAPPENINGS

AUGUST 2024

Wauneta Happenings is produced by the Wauneta Chamber of Commerce, it began in August of 2021. The purpose is to help keep the people informed about what is going on in the Wauneta area. If you have any suggestions, ideas, stories or pictures please contact a Chamber member.

Read the newsletters at [Wauneta.com](http://Wauneta.com).

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## HOMETOWN PROUD WAUNETA HARVEST FEST 2024

### THURSDAY, JULY 25

- 6:00-8:00 - Pickelball - Tennis Courts
- 6:00-12:00 - FREE Night Swim - Swimming Pool
- 7:00 - Old Guys vs Young Guns Softball - Baseball Field

### FRIDAY, JULY 26

- ALL DAY - Chalk the Walk - Main Street (RRS & Bloom Marketing)
- 9:00-12:00 - Wauneta Chamber Farmer's Market - Harchelroad Awning
- 9:00-12:00 - T-Shirt Bar by Cattelac Engraving - Meadowlark Lane
- 9:00 - Photo Contest Winner Announced - Harchelroad Awning
- 11:00-12:00 - Wauneta EMS Lunch Fundraiser - Harchelroad Awning
- 1:00-3:00 - Regular Swim - Swimming Pool
- 3:00-5:00 - Pool Games - Swimming Pool
- 4:30 - Ice Cream Sundaes - Park (WPS Cheerleaders)
- 5:00-7:00 - Walking Tacos - Park (WPS Volleyball Team)
- 5:30 - Galen Todd Cornhole Tournament - Tennis Courts

**FOOD VENDORS!!**  
SPROCKETS FAMOUS FREEDOM DOGS  
SNOCONES BY MICAH

REGISTER FOR EVENTS  
AND CHECK UPDATES AT  
[WaunetaHarvestFestival.com](http://WaunetaHarvestFestival.com)



**69045**

HOMETOWN PROUD  
HARVEST FEST 2024

### SATURDAY, JULY 27

- 6:30 - Registration for Yucca Run - Start at Senior Center
- 7:00 - Start Yucca Run - Start at Senior Center
- 7:30 - 1 Mile Fun Run, Toddler Run to Follow - Start at Senior Center
- 7:00-9:00 - BW Telcom Courtesy Breakfast - BW Telcom
- 7:00-9:30 - Cars & Coffee - Main Street
- 8:30 - Parade Line-up - School Parking Lot
- 9:00 - Smoke Off General Meeting - East of Baseball Field
- 9:00 - Bopsy Donuts & Funnel Cakes - Main Street
- 9:30 -11:30 - Balloon Twisting with Big Red - Meadowlark Lane
- 10:00 - Parade - Main Street
- 11:00 - Poker Walk by Harchelroad Motors - Harchelroad Motors
- 11:00 - Kid Games by Sandhills State Bank - Main Street
- 11:00 - Dunk Tank - Main Street
- 11:00-12:30 - HomeTown Agency Courtesy Lunch - BW Telcom
- 12:00 - Water Fights - Main Street
- 1:00 - Cody Fanning Horseshoe Tournament - By Football Field
- 2:00 - FFA Duck Race - River
- 2:00-3:30 - Festival of Cupcakes - Wauneta Senior Center
- 1:00-4:00 - FREE Swim - Swimming Pool
- 5:00 - Pits & Spits BBQ - Harchelroad Awning
- 5:00 - Smoke Off Winners Announced - Smoke Park
- 5:00 - Sand Volleyball - Park

### SUNDAY, JULY 28

- 11:00-1:00 - Sunday Dinner - Wauneta Senior Center  
Ham & Mashed Potatoes (\$10, \$5 under 10)
- 1:00-5:00 - Regular Swim - Swimming Pool
- 3:00 - Kenny Smith Memorial Ranch Rodeo w/ Barrel Racing - Smith Arena



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HOMETOWN PROUD  
HARVEST FEST 2024

Greetings from the Wauneta Harvest Festival Committee! We are gearing up for our annual festival and are asking for your generous support of our community event. Here is the lowdown:

When: July 25<sup>th</sup> - July 28<sup>th</sup>

Theme: Hometown Proud

As always, we appreciate and welcome all forms of contribution and involvement in the weekend. Here's how you can get involved:

- **Volunteer Your Time:** See the enclosed schedule with contact information. (We love helpers!!)
- **Enter a Float in the Parade:** Please complete and return the Parade Entry Form. (below)
- **Monetary Donation:** Please mail to Wauneta Chamber, PO Box 211, Wauneta, Nebraska 69045.

Thank you for your continued support of the Wauneta Chamber and community events!

Wauneta Harvest Festival Committee

**PARADE INFORMATION**

Parade entries will be judged according to ORIGINALITY, ATTRACTIVENESS AND RELATION TO THEME.

All entries are to line up at the Wauneta-Palisade School parking lot at **8:30 AM MT on Saturday morning**. Judging will begin at 9:00 AM MT. If your float is not there by 9:00 AM MT then it will not be judged. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** The parade will begin promptly at 10:00 AM MT. Please feel free to contact Ashley Einspahr at 970-370-3277 or [asheinspahr@gmail.com](mailto:asheinspahr@gmail.com) or RenDee Librel at 308-883-1708 with any questions.

Please submit the entry form below prior to the parade on Saturday morning.

You can email them to [asheinspahr@gmail.com](mailto:asheinspahr@gmail.com), fax them to 308-394-5222, or drop them off at HomeTown Agency.

**2024 Wauneta Harvest Fest Parade Entry Form**  
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Business/Organization/Individual Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Information to be read during the parade: \_\_\_\_\_

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**WAUNETA**  
*Yucca Run*



Your monetary donations allow us to keep this event up and running and allows the Wauneta Chamber of Commerce to utilize a portion of the proceeds for community betterment projects! We were able to put the 2023 money raised to spruce up the Gazebo area on Wauneta's Main Street and to provide drinks to all the kids that helped with clean-up day. Thank you to last years Yucca Run sponsors and participants! The larger the donation, the larger your logo on the shirt...and the more we can invest in our community! Thank you for your consideration!

**T-SHIRTS AT A GLANCE**

Front (Actual)



Back (Demo) - If you'd like a particular logo email it to: [arielfanning@gmail.com](mailto:arielfanning@gmail.com)



**BECOME A SPONSOR**

**DONATIONS DUE BY JULY 10TH TO HAVE LOGO ON T-SHIRTS!**

**\$100** — GOLD

**\$50** — SILVER

**\$25** — BRONZE

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "YUCCA RUN"  
MAIL TO: POB 284, WAUNETA, NE 69045

OR CONTACT ARIEL FANNING TO DONATE: CALL OR TEXT 308-350-0483  
[ARIELFANNING@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ARIELFANNING@GMAIL.COM)

**WAUNETA HARVEST FESTIVAL 2024**

**WAUNETA YUCCA RUN**

TED GRIMM MEMORIAL  
#ICONQUEREDTHEHILL

**07.27.24**

Pre-Register Online: [www.WaunetaHarvestFestival.com](http://www.WaunetaHarvestFestival.com)

Pre-Registration Cost: \$15

To guarantee a shirt size, pre-register by July 12th

**5K** • REGISTRATION: 6:30AM. MT.  
• START: 7AM. MT.  
• ENTRY FEE: \$20 (T-SHIRT INCL.)

**3K** • REGISTRATION: 6:30AM. MT.  
• START: 7AM. MT.  
• ENTRY FEE: \$20 (T-SHIRT INCL.)

**MILE** • FUN RUN/WALK  
• START: 7:30AM. MT.  
• NO ENTRY FEE REQUIRED

**TODDLER RUN TO FOLLOW ALL EVENTS**  
PARTICIPATION PRIZES FOR CHILDREN (10 AND UNDER) AT END OF FUN RUN/WALK

**REGISTRATION AT THE SENIOR CENTER**  
THANK YOU TO ALL THE SPONSORS!

**WAUNETA - HARVEST FESTIVAL 2024 -**  
**SATURDAY, JULY, 27TH | 7AM.- 9:30AM. MT.**  
**CARS & COFFEE**

COFFEE AT MEADOWLARK LANE & BEAUTY BAR! ...AND DONUTS AVAILABLE UNDER HARCHELROAD'S AWNING.



Anyone welcome to participate! No entry required...just show up!

We encourage you to drive cars through parade (10:00AM. MT....No parade entry required)



**PARK ON STREET BY MEADOWLARK LANE AND BEAUTY BAR ON MAIN STREET.**



**WAUNETA-PALISADE JR.HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL TRACK ATHLETES**

**HOMETOWN AGENCY YUCCA RUN SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL...**

Hometown Agency will donate \$5.00 for every track team member that runs the Yucca Run 3K and \$10.00 for every track team member that runs the Yucca Run 5K. -Coach Rick Einspahr -

WAUNETA HARVEST FEST  
JULY 27, 2024 2:00-3:30  
WAUNETA SENIOR CENTER

## Festival of Cupcakes

**Become a Sponsor:** Your sponsorship will allow us to fund this event, provide prizes to the top bakers & help the 2024 All American Cheerleaders Lilian Sandoval & Kalli Hoskovec fund their way to the 2024 Pearl Harbor Parade & Events in Hawaii in December.

Sponsors will have their names included in marketing this event as well as the girls trip in an effort to help promote local businesses.

Gold Sponsor: \$50+  
Silver Sponsor: \$25+  
Bronze Sponsor: \$15+



WAUNETA HARVEST FEST

## Festival of Cupcakes

Calling all **Professional, Amateur and Talented Kid Bakers** to join our first ever Bake-Off! Prizes awarded to the top three in all categories.

**Registration Fee:** \$10.00

**Registration Deadline:** July 20

**What to bring:** 2 dozen cupcakes to be given away to voters. Select a theme and decorate accordingly.

**JULY 27, 2024 2:00-3:30 MT  
WAUNETA SENIOR CENTER**

Contact Sabrina Sandoval to register 308-414-1796.



## Baker & Attendee Info

Bakers Set up

**1:00-2:00**

Doors open to the public & judging begins

**2:00-3:30**

**Judging:** Cupcakes will be judged & awarded at each level in the following categories:

Best Taste, Best Decorated, Best Table Display  
Winners will be announced & prizes awarded

**3:30**

**ATTENDEE INFO**

Doors will open to the public promptly at 2:00 for selecting their favorite cupcakes.

Proceeds will go to the newly selected 2024

All American Cheerleaders

Lilian Sandoval & Kalli Hoskovec as they prepare to represent our area in Hawaii during the Pearl Harbor Parade in December.



WAUNETA HARVEST FEST

## PHOTO CONTEST

SHARE YOUR MEMORIES

SHOW OFF YOUR FAVORITE **PAST HARVEST FEST MOMENTS** FOR A CHANCE TO WIN!

**SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS BY: THURSDAY, JULY 25TH, 12 PM MST**

**WINNER ANNOUNCED: FRIDAY, JULY 26TH AT THE WAUNETA CHAMBER FARMER'S MARKET**

ONE LUCKY WINNER WILL RECEIVE A **WAUNETA CHAMBER GIFT BASKET!**



For more information, visit our website  
[WaunetaHarvestFestival.com](http://WaunetaHarvestFestival.com)

## CHALK THE WALK

Hey, kids! Bring your parents and let's color main street together to decorate for the Harvest Fest Parade!

**WHERE: MAIN STREET, WAUNETA**

**WHEN: FRIDAY, JULY 26TH**

**WHO: ALL AGES WELCOME!**

**SIDEWALK CHALK WILL BE AVAILABLE ALL DAY!**

Sponsored by:  
Rural Rehabilitation Services  
Bloom Marketing & Design



COMING SOON



# bopsy DONUTS & FUNNEL CAKES

Sat. July 27th, 2024  
at the  
Wauneta Harvest Festival  
• 312 N Tecumseh •  
(next to Good Times)

## HARVEST FEST



On Main Street, Under the Harchelroad's Awning  
Saturday July 27th  
Serving Food at 5pm until it's gone  
\*Drinks will be available all day\*



### MEALS

- 2 Chicken Thighs \$10
- Pulled Pork \$10
- Smoked Brisket \$10
- 2 meats \$15  
Pick any 2 meats with sides
- 3 meats \$20  
All 3 meats with sides

### SIDES

- Extra side \$2
- Pop or Gatorade \$2
- Water \$1

\*All meals come with Baked Beans & Mac n Cheese\*



**Friday, July 26th**  
**Tennis Courts**  
**Registration at 5:00MT**  
**Start time at 5:30MT**  
**ADULT DIVISION :\$50.00/Team**  
**T-shirts included**  
**Double Elimination-32 Teams**  
All Proceeds go towards  
GT Memorial Scholarship!  
Call or Text Sara 308-883-1189  
Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places!



Choose from 2 designs this year!!

**WOMEN'S RAZERBACK TANK TOP**  
XS-XL \$17.00  
2XL \$19.00  
3XL/4XL \$21.00

Susie's Creative Stitches  
179 N Arapahoe  
Wauneta, NE 69045  
308-394-5814  
Email:  
susies@bwtelcom.net



**Adults - Gildan**  
Small-XL \$14.00  
2XL-\$17.00  
3XL-\$20.00  
4XL-\$20.00  
**Onesies \$16.00**  
**Toddlers \$14.00**  
**Youth \$14.00**

\*You can also order online at  
[www.susiesapparel.com](http://www.susiesapparel.com) \*  
(TAX IS NOT INCLUDED)



Cattlelac Engraving

# T-SHIRT BAR!

**FRIDAY JULY 26**

DURING THE HARVESTFEST FARMERS MARKET 9-12 MT

**AT MEADOWLARK LANE COFFEE & FLORAL**

COME PICK YOUR SHIRT AND DESIGN AND THE SHIRTS WILL BE MADE THERE ON THE SPOT!





# Harvest Fest Softball

**OLD GUYS VS YOUNG GUNS**

**THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2024, 7 PM**

## BASEBALL FIELD

BRING YOUR GLOVE! CO-ED PICK-UP GAME TO FOLLOW THE MAIN GAME.

50/50 RAFFLE - PROCEEDS TO WVFD & WPS FFA

CONTACT JESS VAPENIK (308-883-0100) WITH QUESTIONS.

# COME CELEBRATE




OUR 2ND ANNIVERSARY

## JULY 23-27

EVERY PURCHASE BETWEEN 23-27 CAN ENTER FOR A FREE 3 MONTH FLORAL SUBSCRIPTION!!

- \$5 off when spending over \$50
- \$10 off when spending over \$75
- \$15 off when spending over \$100

**BOGO HALF OFF COFFEE 07.24.24**    **\$15 BOUQUETS 07.25.24**    **TSHIRT BAR 07.26.24**

# FFA DUCK RACE



**SAT JULY 27TH**

WAUNETA HARVEST FEST  
NORTH BRIDGE @ 2pm MT

Buy tickets from any FFA member during the whole week of Harvest Fest! GOOD LUCK!

<b>1 TICKET - \$1</b>	<b>PRIZES</b> 1st Place - \$300 2nd Place - \$150 3rd Place - \$75 Last Duck - \$50
<b>6 TICKETS - \$5</b>	
<b>12 TICKETS - \$10</b>	
<b>18 TICKETS - \$15</b>	
<b>24 TICKETS - \$20</b>	
<b>30 TICKETS - \$25</b>	





**WAUNETA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

PRESENTS

# 9TH ANNUAL HARVEST FEST SMOKE-OFF

**SATURDAY, JULY 27TH  
WAUNETA CITY PARK**

**SMOKING BBQ CONTEST**  
\$100 ENTRY FEE: 2 RACKS OF RIBS, 1 PORK BUTT, 1 BRISKET AND 1 SIDE DISH

**JUDGING**  
SIDE DISH - 2 PM, RIBS - 3 PM, PORK BUTT - 4 PM, BRISKET - 5 PM

**BLOODY MARY CONTEST**  
\$10 ENTRY FEE - JUDGED AT 9 AM

**CASH PRIZES!!!**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**  
ALL TIMES MOUNTAIN. ELECTRICAL ACCESS AVAILABLE.  
CONTACT JEREMY WALGREN (308-737-7764) OR LUKE CURL (308-340-6013) TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT.



## WATER FIGHTS

SPONSORED BY YOUR  
WAUNETA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

**SAT JULY 27TH - NOON  
REGISTRATION AT 11 AM  
MAIN STREET WAUNETA**

GET YOUR TEAM TOGETHER FOR  
HARVEST FEST WATER FIGHTS!

4 PERSON TEAMS - AGE LIMIT 15+  
\$20 A TEAM - CASH PRIZES!

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE.  
CONTACT TANNER BARDSLEY AT 308-883-1463.

THANK YOU LLOYD SINNER AND CREW FOR  
YOUR EQUIPMENT AND YOUR HELP!

KENNY SMITH MEMORIAL  
**RANCH RODEO**

**28 JULY, 2024**

Rules 2:30 - Calcutta 2:45 - Rodeo 3:00

Smith Arena (West of Wauneta, 1/2 Mile on River Road 730A)

EVENTS

Double Mugging, Load 1 Brand 1, Short Go Final Event 3-Man Team, \$375 a Team +Added Money	Barrel Racing Between Rodeo Events  30 Contestant Limit All Entry Money Paid Out Buckle Division \$50 Youth Division \$25	Food Vendors on Site Contact Tanner Kerchal (308-350-0131) or Jesse West (308- 883-1312) to register
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**HARVEST FEST COED  
SAND VOLLEYBALL  
TOURNAMENT**

FUNDRAISER FOR  
WAUNETA-PALISADE  
VOLLEYBALL TEAM

JULY 27TH @ 6:00 PM MT  
CHECK IN STARTS @ 5:30 MT

- ENTRY FEES: \$90 A TEAM
- 8 TEAM LIMIT
- SHIRT PRIZE TO WINNERS
- 6 PERSON TEAMS PREFERRED, BUT NO LESS THAN 4

**TO SIGN UP A TEAM  
CONTACT DAKOTA WEST  
@ 308-414-2185**

# FREE SWIM NIGHT

25 | JULY | WAUNETA SWIMMING POOL  
7:00 PM - 11:00 PM THURSDAY

Sponsored by





## Cody Fanning Memorial Horseshoe Tournament

July 27th  
Registration 12:30 pm  
Play starts @ 1 pm  
\$20 per team


Photo by Andy M...




# Annual PANCAKE Breakfast

Join Us! 2024  
Wauneta Harvest Festival  
Sat. July 27<sup>th</sup>  
BWTelcom Warehouse

15 Year Anniversary



CHASE COUNTY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & CLINICS

## CHASE COUNTY CLINIC - WAUNETA

Wednesday  
July 24  
11:30 am - 1:30 pm


Help us celebrate 15 Years in our current location with Burgers, Brats and all the fixings for lunch!



### WAUNETA EMS

Join us during **HARVEST FEST 2024**

Serving lunch from 11-1  
Under the Harchelroad Awning  
Friday July 26th



"To provide compassionate quality care and service built around the needs of the patients and communities we serve through effective partnerships"

Our mission

Wauneta EMS Members will be serving Brats

# WAUNETA'S SHOP LOCAL PRODUCTS FARMERS MARKET

FRIDAY JULY 26TH | 9AM TO NOON  
 MAIN STREET, WAUNETA  
 UNDER HACHELROAD'S AWNING

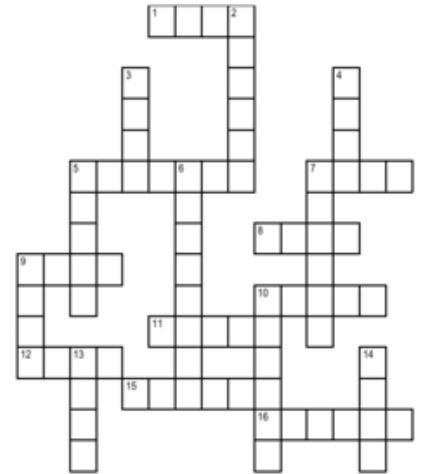
- IMPACT CLOSET
- SUSIE'S CREATIVE STITCHES
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- TALK BEADY TO ME DESIGNS
- SABRINA'S HOME AND PAINT
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- LEOPARD LADY
- CINDESIGN
- MEGS MERC
- ERIN'S CROCHET
- BRENDA DANIEL-DECORATED GOURDS
- SISTER CACHE
- SUCCULENTS AND CO
- TARA AND ZOEY LYON
- BRAD DINNELL
- BRENDA ANDERSON
- DONNA WINSLOT
- RURAL REHAB-KIDS GAMES
- HOMETOWN AGENCY-POPCORN
- WAUNETA EMS WILL BE SERVING LUNCH FROM 11 AM TO NOON



## MINDFUL MINUTE

### Across

1. Grains on the beach.
5. Living in a tent.
7. It warms you up.
8. Two wheeled transportation.
9. Comes with a shovel.
10. Full of daylight.
11. A sandy shore.
12. Area of inland water.
15. Warmest 3 months of the year.
16. Top for warm weather.



### Down

2. Plunging into the water.
3. Move through the water.
4. Summer hazard.
5. House in the woods.
6. Frozen treat.
7. Trail walking.
9. A place to swim
10. Pants for hot weather.
13. Toy for a windy day.
14. Mildly hot.

## Back to School MENTAL HEALTH TIPS

### Establish a Routine:

A consistent daily routine can provide a sense of stability and predictability, reducing stress and anxiety.

### Set Realistic Goals:

Help your child set achievable academic and personal goals for themselves. Break down larger goals into smaller, manageable tasks. Celebrate their successes, no matter how small they may seem.

### Prioritize Self-Care:

Encourage your child to engage in activities that they enjoy, such as reading, meditating, or spending time with loved ones.

### Time Management:

Help your child use effective time management techniques to avoid feeling overwhelmed. Utilize tools like planners or digital calendars to organize assignments, projects, and deadlines.



**GUESS  
WHO??**



**last month was:**



**JR Knotwell and Rodney Einspahr**

## **Einspahr Construction**

**WORK DONE RIGHT THE FIRST TIME**



- ✓ LOCAL REFERENCES
- ✓ FREE ESTIMATES
- ✓ INSURED

**TOP-QUALITY WORK AT  
AFFORDABLE PRICES**  
✓ Roofing    ✓ Siding  
✓ Seamless Gutters



**FOR ALL YOUR ROOFING NEEDS**

**Bryan Einspahr**  
**308-350-0623**



CHATEAU THEATRE  
**CLOSING**

JUNE 1, 2024

Chateau Theatre will be closing  
for the summer.  
Thank you for your patronage!

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!!

YARD OF THE MONTH-JUNE



Luke & Hannah Curl

YARD OF THE MONTH-JULY



Jim & Connie Maxfield

\*\*\*The Wauneta Senior Center is seeking donations to assist with upcoming projects. Our goal is to replace all flooring, update lighting, update kitchen cabinets and countertop. Thank you in advance for your assistance. Any questions can be addressed by any board member or Karon Pantera @ 308-394-6333.\*\*\*

Karon Pantera

Director

## Church Worship Service Schedule

Global Methodist Church  
162 W Wichita, Wauneta  
Sunday 11:00 am MT

God's Missionary Church  
114 S Otoe St, Wauneta  
Sunday 10:30 am & 6:00 pm MT

Hamlet Union Church  
411 Breeze St, Hamlet  
Sunday 10:45 am CT

SW Nebraska Holiness Church  
34850 Rd 724, Wauneta  
Sunday 10:30 am & 6:00 pm MT

Redeemer Lutheran Church  
233 S Arapahoe Ave, Wauneta  
Sunday 08:30 am MT

St John Catholic Church  
499 S Arikaree Ave, Wauneta  
Sunday 10:00 am Mass MT

St Paul Lutheran Church  
33851 Road 726, Wauneta  
Sunday 10:00 am MT



Global Methodist Church of Wauneta VBS

GraCee Goings received the  
GT Memorial Scholarship

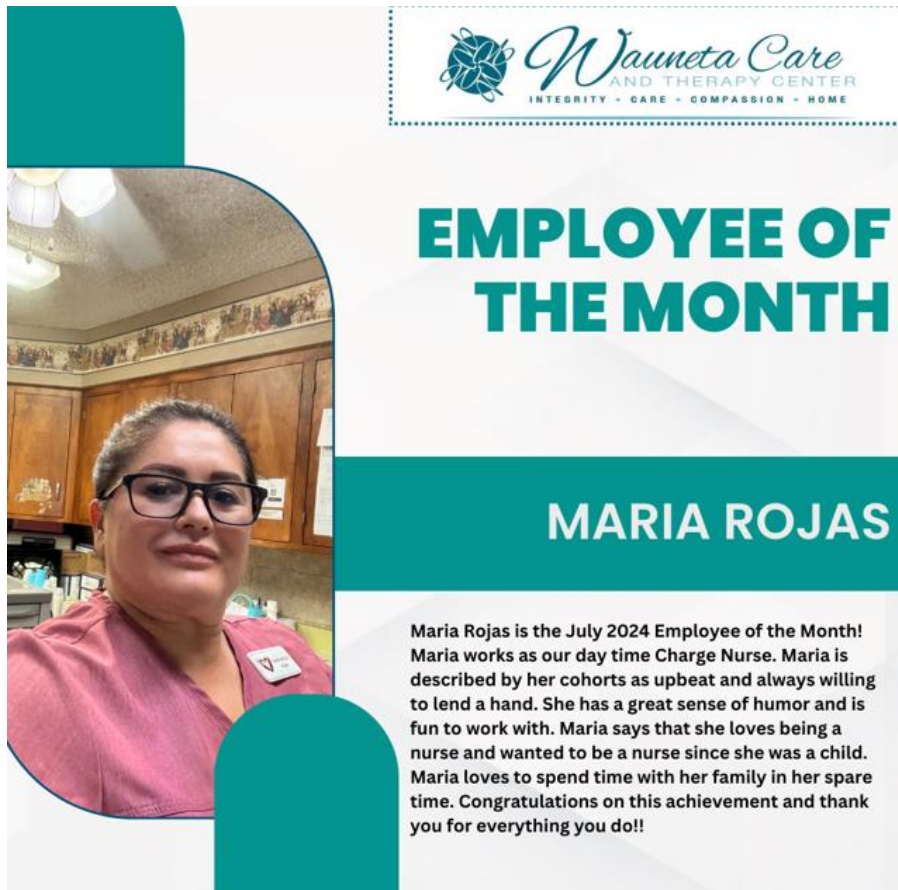
THANK YOU!


The family of Beryl Knotwell would like to thank everyone for your thoughts, prayers, condolences and wonderful memories shared with us since mom;s passing. They mean a lot and are very much appreciated.

I would like to share a success story of one of our residents from Wauneta Care and Therapy Center, with his permission. Gary Knehans came to live at Wauneta Care and Therapy Center in November of 2023. When Gary came to us, he really struggled in many ways, I won't go into detail, but I would like to share a note of his progress. In April of this year Gary decided to try drawing and coloring to increase functionality of his hands. Tangie, our Activity Director, had the idea to order special markers that could help Gary grasp them better. In the beginning, as you can see with the turtle and butterfly picture, Gary struggled to stay in the lines. The markers are clickable because he was not able to get the caps off regular markers and his hands unable to hold crayons or colored pencils. Over time and with the help and encouragement from Tangie and the Occupational Therapy team, Gary began to improve his hand coordination. By June, as you can see in the lion and hunting pictures, Gary began to use colored pencils and crayons for his art! Today, Gary has made important progress in many areas of his life, you can see his drawings hung around the facility and he continues to improve with his skill.

I am very happy with the success of Gary and our other residents at Wauneta Care and Therapy Center. I feel that it is important to recognize the positive stories about WC&TC in our community about our residents and our employees. I am so proud of Tangie for continuously encouraging Gary to keep trying and never give up!

RaNae Richardson, Administrative Assistant

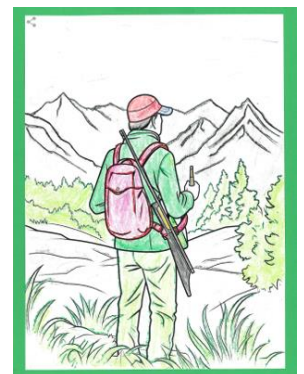
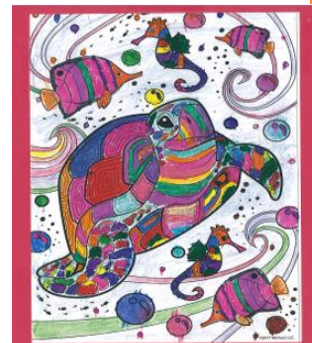
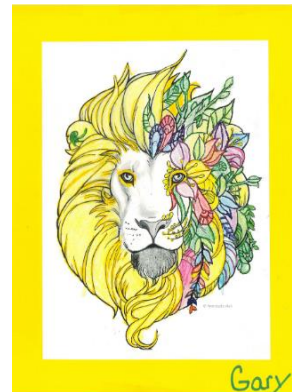



  
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# EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

**MARIA ROJAS**

Maria Rojas is the July 2024 Employee of the Month! Maria works as our day time Charge Nurse. Maria is described by her cohorts as upbeat and always willing to lend a hand. She has a great sense of humor and is fun to work with. Maria says that she loves being a nurse and wanted to be a nurse since she was a child. Maria loves to spend time with her family in her spare time. Congratulations on this achievement and thank you for everything you do!!



In May the Spring Creek 4H Club held their monthly meeting and painted flower pots and potted flowers. Members in the picture are L-R Owen Sandoval, Cadence Sandoval, Bella Thomas, Mattie Munderloh and Brock Munderloh.



The Club also met in June for their service project, which included sprucing up around the picnic tables at the Wauneta Park. The kids worked hard pulling weeds and cleaning up the area. Members include L-R Bella Thomas, Mattie Munderloh, Owen Sandoval, Brock Munderloh, Mandy Sandoval, and Lillian Sandoval.



**Meet the Village of Wauneta Swimming Pool Lifeguards**

**Top: Abigail Greaves**

**Middle: Kiley Anderson and Maggie DeWester**

**Bottom: Michaela Dukes, Kenzie Bardsley, Emma Acton and Lilly Dinnel**

## Wauneta-Palisade Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

The Board of Education for the District of Chase County School District #15-0536 a/k/a Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools was convened in open, public session for a Regular Meeting at 6:04 PM Mountain on July 8, 2024, in the Central Office, Wauneta Attendance Center, 214 W Wichita, Wauneta, NE 69045, by President Sandman.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the news media requesting notification of the meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

### Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting

At the beginning of the meeting, President Sandman announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meeting Act is permanently posted in the meeting room on a laminated poster, accessible to members of the public.

### Mission Statement

Inspiring our Youth, Expecting Results Every day

I. Call to Order. President Sandman called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm MT.

I.1. Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

I.2. Posting Verification. The posting of the meeting was verified by Fanning and Maris.

I.3. Open Meeting Act Notice

I.4. Mission Statement

II. Roll Call. Present Board Members: Hondo Fanning, John Jutten, Laurie Maris, Aaron McKinney, and Allison Sandman. Absent Board Member: Marty Wheeler.

III. Amendments to the Agenda/Approval of the Proposed Agenda. None

IV. Recognition of Visitors/Public Comments. None

V. Discussion Items

V.1. Building Project Update. Geier shared that Clint reported getting everything ready by July 31st on 2nd and 3rd floor classrooms. The commons and kitchen should be ready as well. The summer staff has been busy painting rooms in the west wing. The next OAC and punch list meeting is on July 17, 2024. Discussed gravel grid as an option for paving on the north side. Geier reported that we are still looking for Palisade Building purchase bids.

VI. Action Items

VI.1. Approval and Signing of June Minutes. To approve and sign the 6/10/2024 regular meeting minutes passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Hondo Fanning.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea

VI.2. Approval of BD Pay App #17. To approve BD pay app #17 of \$310,319.58 passed with a motion by Aaron McKinney and a second by John Jutten.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea

VI.3. Approval of Floor Scrubber. To approve the floor scrubber purchase from USA Clean for \$5,724.38 passed with a motion by Hondo Fanning and a second by Laurie Maris.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea

VI.4. Approval of District Expenditures and Monthly Budget Reports. To accept the monthly budget reports and approve the monthly expenditures Payroll: \$221,216.03, GF Accounts Payable: \$39,511.92, and BF Accounts Payable: \$327,907.81 for a TOTAL: \$588,635.76 passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Hondo Fanning.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea

VI.5. Discussion of 2024-2025 School Calendar. Start of school has not been determined, will keep the public informed as we determine the start date.

VII. Policy Review

VII.1. Second Reading of Updated Policies 5101, 1050, 8346, 3130, 8342, 5201, 3140, 8240, 6700, 5008, 5006, 4141, 5205, 6111, 3571, 8240, Optional Policy Updates: Policy 5013, 3241, Rescinding of Policy 6310. To waive the oral readings of the second readings of Policy Updates for Policy 5101, 1050, 8346, 3130, 8342, 5201, 3140, 8240, 6700, 5008, 5006, 4141, 5205, 6111, 3571, 8240, Optional Policy Updates: Policy 5013, 3241, and Rescinding of Policy 6310 passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by John Jutten.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea

VIII. Administrative Reports

VIII.1. Superintendent Report. Geier reported that drivers ed is complete. He will attend administrator days at the end of July. Geier commended the summer staff for working hard to prepare the building for school. Geier shared his presentation experience for Nebraska Youth Institute Convention about our daycare program.

VIII.2. Principal Report. No Report.

VIII.3. ESU 15 Report. No July Meeting.

VIII.4. NASB Report

X. Next Regular Meeting, Monday, August 12, 2024, at 6 pm MT/7 pm CT in Wauneta.

XI. Adjourn. Motion to adjourn at 7:18 pm MT. passed with a motion by Allison Sandman and a second by John Jutten.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea

Respectfully submitted,  
Marj Rundback,  
Recording Secretary  
Dated this July 8, 2024  
Chase County School District #536  
a/k/a Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Board Secretary

Board President

## Village of Wauneta, Nebraska

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Wauneta, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 6:40 p.m. on July 9, 2024, at the Village Office.

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Vice Chairman Einspahr publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review.

Present: C Walgren, B Goings, R Einspahr. Absent: B Kramer, P Johnston.

Guests: Angela Geihslar (Good Times Bar), Mike Dukes (Chase County Sheriff's Dept.), RaNae Richardson (WCTC), Pam Schumaker and Pam Bunker (Wauneta Senior Center), and Arlan Wine (Village Attorney).

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Imperial Republican on July 4, 2024. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to the Chairman and all the Trustees. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Board approved the minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees, held on June 11, 2024, and approved the minutes of the special meeting of the Village Board of Trustees, held on June 24, 2024.

Board approved the Treasurer's Report (June) and approved bills (July) as presented.

Board approved the request for a Special Designated Liquor License, received from Good Times Bar & Grill LLC, for Harvest Fest, to be held outdoors at 318 N Tecumseh, on Saturday July 27th, 2024, from 6:00 am to 11:59 pm.

RaNae Richardson (WCTC) reviewed the Nursing Home Financial Reports for May 2024 with the Village Board and gave a report on the Committee meeting held on July 8, 2024.

Board approved WCTC employee wage increases for Rene Maris, Shauna Turpin, and Tangie Dinnel, based on the recommended of Administration.

Board approved the cost of \$6,500.00 for initial set up of a new payroll system for WCTC, called "Time Management Systems".

Board approved the purchase of a refurbished computer system server for WCTC (based on 2020 Technologies recommendation), in the amount of up to \$2,500.00.

Pam Schumacher and Pam Bunker (Wauneta Senior Center) requested KENO funds for A/C and furnace repairs. The Board requested that they get a second quote for these repairs.

Engineering Agreement for Wauneta Swimming Pool Feasibility Study. No action was taken at this time.

Deputy Mike Dukes reviewed the Sheriff's Report with the Board.

Clerk Skelton reported that the elevator in the Municipal Building is now back in service. Skelton reported that Kelly Dyer, Billing Clerk, has given her notice that she is leaving the Village for another job opportunity. We will begin the process of looking for a replacement. Discussed procedures for placing a lien on properties for the cost of nuisance abatement.

Superintendent's Report was given by Lawless.

Meeting Adjourned.

Rick Einspahr, Vice-Chairman

Evelyn Skelton, Clerk

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**NOTE:** A complete text of the minutes, Resolutions and Ordinances are on file in the office of the Village Clerk, and are available for public inspection during regular business hours.



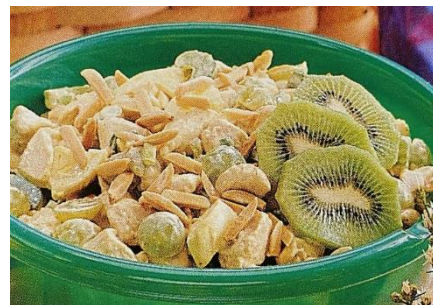
## ***Recipes by Rhonda***

### Almond Chicken Salad

4 cups cubed cooked chicken  
1-1/2 cups seedless green grapes, halved  
1 cup chopped celery  
3/4 cup sliced green onions  
3 hard-cooked eggs, chopped  
1/2 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing  
1/4 cup sour cream

1 kiwifruit, peeled and sliced, optional

1 TBSP prepared mustard  
1 tsp salt  
1/2 tsp pepper  
1/4 tsp onion powder  
1/4 tsp celery salt  
1/8 tsp dry mustard  
1/8 tsp paprika  
1/2 cups slivered almonds, toasted



In a large bowl, combine chicken, grapes, celery, onions and eggs. In another bowl, combine the next nine ingredients; stir until smooth. Pour over the chicken mixture and toss gently. Stir in almonds and serve immediately, or refrigerate and add the almonds just before serving. Garnish with kiwi if desired.

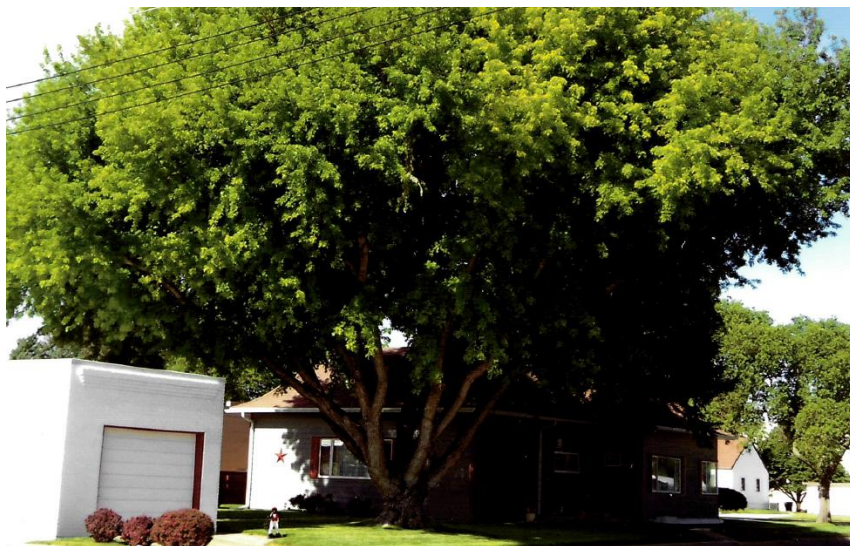
DO YOU HAVE A PICTURE OF A TREE YOU ENJOY EACH YEAR?



Ash Tree planted 2014

Jerry and Diane Stoneberger

Silver Leaf Maple Tree planted in 1993 at  
Jim and Connie Maxfield's home.



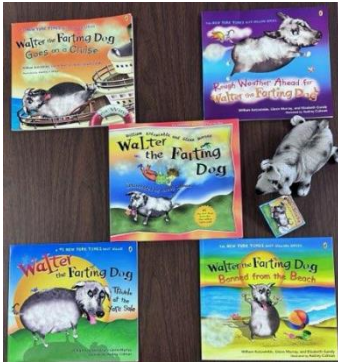
# WAUNETA LIBRARY NEWS

Howdy all! Summer is virtually flying by us and here we are, already creeping into August. Our Summer Reading Program went swimmingly, and we have so many volunteers to thank, including parents and grandparents who stayed and helped the littles with their art projects ~ I'm positive I'll forget some, but for what it's worth, thank you to: Lyndsay Acton, Halle Bardsley, Marsha Cameron, Cassie Collins, Jennifer DeWester, Ariel Fanning, Emily Kennicutt, Mandy Kramer, Allison Lawless, Joan Maddux, Karen Maris, London Maris, Jan Mintling, Laura West, Brian Wright, Heidi Wright, Lawrence Ziegler. Also, a huge thank you goes out to some outstanding teen volunteers who helped cater to the smalls: Marlee Kramer, Bella Thomas and Autumn Williams. We had record numbers this summer and served over 192 patrons and kiddos over the six total days of Summer Reading. Wow! We couldn't have done it without you! We look forward to our next adventure with you and your kiddos and are so very appreciative as we know your time is precious. The children were exceptionally well-behaved, polite and kind to each other. We see you and thank you, parents and grands ~ and you are absolutely killin' it!

Another thank you goes out to Bob and Gypsy Emerick for their donation of five Walter the Farting Dog books from Walters' personal series. Not to mention the squeezable gas-making stuffed dog on display with them! The kids LOVED the books at SRP and they are now available for check out! Thank you, Bopsy!

We here at The Library wish you all well and wish a prosperous and fruitful harvest season upon you all. Enjoy August, and step into The Library to take a break from the heat if you get the chance.

Read on, friends,  
Amanda Ziegler



WAUNETA SENIOR CENTER

AUGUST 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 8/7/2024 FRIED CHICKEN DAY
- 8/7/2024 COFFEE & CONVERSATION @ 10 AM
- 8/12/2024 BOARD MEETING @ 1:30 PM
- 8/13/2024 CHICKEN FRIED STEAK
- 8/14/2024 BIRTHDAY/ANNV CELEBRATION LUNCH
- 8/21/2024 COFFEE & CONVERSATION @ 10 AM
- 8/25/2024 SUNDAY DINNER 11 AM – 1 PM  
\$10.00 10 YRS & OLDER  
\$5.00 UNDER 10 YRS
- 8/28/2024 PAINTING WITH SABRINA @ 9:30 AM

**MEAL COST: 60 AND OVER \$7.50 UNDER 60 \$8.50**

REMINDER: PLEASE MAKE RESERVATION NO LATER THAN 9:30 AM THE DAY OF THE MEAL REQUEST 308-394-6333

# AUGUST 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>Wauneta Senior Center 308-394-6333 CALL BY 9:30 AM</b></p>	<p><b>COFFEE</b> 8/7/2024 8/21/2024 10 AM</p>	<p><b>PAINTING WITH SABRINA</b> 8/28/2024 9:30 AM</p>		<p>1 CHEESEBURGER TATER TOTS BAKED BEANS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>2 <b>CLOSED</b></p>	<p>3 <b>HOURS OF SERVICE</b> 8 AM TO 2 PM</p>
<p>4 <b>OVER 60 \$7.50</b> <b>UNDER 60 \$8.50</b></p>	<p>5 PORK CUTLET SWEET POTATOES BEETS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>6 TACO SALAD ASSORTED TOPPINGS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>7 FRIED CHICKEN MASHED POTATOES GREEN BEANS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>8 HAM SALAD SAND TATER TOTS SLAW SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>9 <b>CLOSED</b></p>	<p>10 <b>COFFEE, TEA, WATER &amp; JUICE</b> <b>AVAILABLE DAILY</b></p>
<p>11</p>	<p>12 SALMON PATTY MAC &amp; CHEESE CARROTS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>13 CHICKEN FRIED STEAK MASHED POTATOES GREEN BEANS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>14 <b>BDAY/ANNV</b> BBQ CHICKEN ROASTED POTATOES CORN SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>15 EGG SALAD SAND TATER TOTS BAKED BEANS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>16 <b>CLOSED</b></p>	<p>17 <b>MILK, CRACKERS &amp; BREAD</b> <b>AVAILABLE DAILY</b></p>
<p>18</p>	<p>19 MEATLOAF ROASTED POTATOES GREEN BEANS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>20 TUNA CASSEROLE PEAS CARROTS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>21 HAM SWEET POTATOES CORN SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>22 CHICKEN SALAD SAND POTATO SALAD SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>23 <b>CLOSED</b></p>	<p>24 <b>MENU SUBJECT</b> <b>CHANGE BASED</b> <b>ON AVAILABILITY</b></p>
<p>25 <b>SUNDAY DINNER</b> <b>11 AM – 1 PM</b> <b>\$10.00 OVER 10</b> <b>\$5.00 UNDER 10</b></p>	<p>26 SPAGHETTI CORN GARLIC BREAD SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>27 BISCUIT &amp; SAUSAGE GRAVY HASH BROWNS BEETS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>28 CHICKEN &amp; NOODLES MASHED POTATOES MIXED VEGETABLES SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>29 CHILI DOGS TATER TOTS SALAD BAR DESSERT</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>

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DURING SAID TEMPORARY CLOSURE, TRAFFIC WILL BE DETOURED THROUGH THE VILLAGE OF HAMLET BY WAY OF OLD HWY 6, MAIN STREET & WISE STREET (A/K/A ROAD 728). DETOUR ROUTE WILL BE MARKED.

For more information, contact the Hayes County Clerk at (308) 286-3413 or [clerk@hayescounty.ne.gov](mailto:clerk@hayescounty.ne.gov).

THANK YOU & PLEASE DRIVE SAFELY!  
HAYES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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August 2024

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				1 Tuscan Pizza Calzone	2 Chicken Bacon/Ranch Pizza	3 Super Nachos
4 French Dip Sub w/Au Jus	5 Nebraska Stuffed Beef Pocket	6 Chicken & Black Bean Taco Wrap	7 Turkey Clubhouse Salad or Tuna Salad Sub	8 "Wauneta" Steak & Cheese Sub	9 BBQ Grill Pizza	10 Sloppy Joese Sandwich
11 Hot Beef Sandwich w/Potatoes	12 Toasted Rueben on Marble Rye	13 Pork Tacos w/Mango Salsa	14 Mexican Grilled Chicken Salad or Egg Salad Sub	15 Home-made Chicken Fried Steak Sandwich	16 Chipotle Chicken Ne Bacon Pizza	17 BBQ Chicken Sub
18 Ham & Cheese Baked Potato	19 Chicken Parmesan over Spaghetti	20 Chicken Tacos w/ Spanish Rice	21 Almond Berry Chicken Salad or Chicken Salad Sub	22 HandBreaded Italian Chicken Sandwich	23 Mexican Chicken Pizza	24 French Bread Pizza
25 Chicken Cordon Bleu Sub	26 Toasted Rachel on Marble Rye	27 Taco Bravo or Taco Salad	28 BBQ Chicken Ranch Salad or Ham Salad Sub	29 Home-made Pork Cutlet Sandwich	30 Indian Taco Pizza	31 Italian Meatball Sub