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WYATT REEB MURDER CASE UPDATE


Ramon Enriquez

Two Adults, 20 & 22, each sentenced to 16-20 years in prison


Dimitri Enriquez

(SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY, Neb.) -- The two adults involved in the 2025 murder of Wyatt Reeb have been sentenced by two different judges in Scotts Bluff County. Dimitri Enriquez appeared before Judge Leo Dobrovolny and will be eligible for parole in eight years and a mandatory release in ten years, while brother Ramon appeared before Judge Andrea Miller via Zoom. Each received 16-20 year prison sentences for their involvement in the murder of Wyatt Reeb.



Sexual Exploitation Allegations

(GERING, Neb.) – According to court documents and local news reporting, Traven Kinsey of Gering, Nebraska, was arrested in connection with a child exploitation investigation.

Investigators allege that:

- Kinsey secretly used a camera to record up the skirts of girls in public.
- The investigation was launched after authorities received reports of the alleged conduct.
- Court records state investigators later learned of emails Kinsey allegedly sent to a local pastor admitting to the behavior, which led to the issuance of a local arrest warrant.

He was subsequently taken into custody and charged in Scotts Bluff County. The case is proceeding through the court system, and as with any criminal case, the charges are allegations until proven in court.

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Arthur's Pizza Photo Contests



(SCOTTSBLUFF, Neb.) — Arthur's Pizza and Panhandle Scanner have teamed up to sponsor local photo contests, where the winning photographs each quarter will hang on the walls of everyone's favorite pizza parlor at 2207 Broadway.



(NEBRASKA) -- When ticks are active in Nebraska (April-October), staff from the NE DHHS vector-borne disease program and local health departments search for ticks at various sites throughout the state in a process called "tick dragging."
Using a white canvas cloth, ticks are collected, identified to species under a microscope, and tested for pathogens.

The tick surveillance program provides actionable, evidence-based information to clinicians, public health practitioners, policymakers, and the public on where and when people are at risk for exposure to ticks and tick-borne disease pathogens.

Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services has been conducting active tick surveillance since 2021 with the goal of sampling all 93 counties in five years.

A Bit of Local History

(SCOTTSBLUFF, Neb.) – While the land was platted by a subsidiary of the Burlington Railroad in 1899, the city of Scottsbluff was formally organized by the county commissioners on July 20, 1900. At its inception, it featured a simple dirt main street and a famously misspelled "Saloonn" sign.

The Birth of the Star-Herald

The area's dominant newspaper layout was solidified in July 1912. Asa B. Wood, the owner of the Gering Courier, teamed up with Harry J. Wisner to purchase and consolidate two rival publications—the Scottsbluff Herald and the Scottsbluff Star—merging them into the unified [Star-Herald].

The Inspiration of Hiram Scott

The namesake for the entire county, the city of Scottsbluff, and the [Scotts Bluff National Monument] stems from fur trader Hiram Scott. He passed away in the vicinity in the summer of 1828 after being abandoned by his party. His remains were discovered by travelers passing through the area the following year. A four-year college bearing the namesake formed in the 1960's and was located where the Nebraska State Patrol Troop E Headquarters now sits, north of Scottsbluff.



Scottsbluff, Nebraska started with a dirt main street and a misspelled "SALOONN."

The County Seat Rivalry

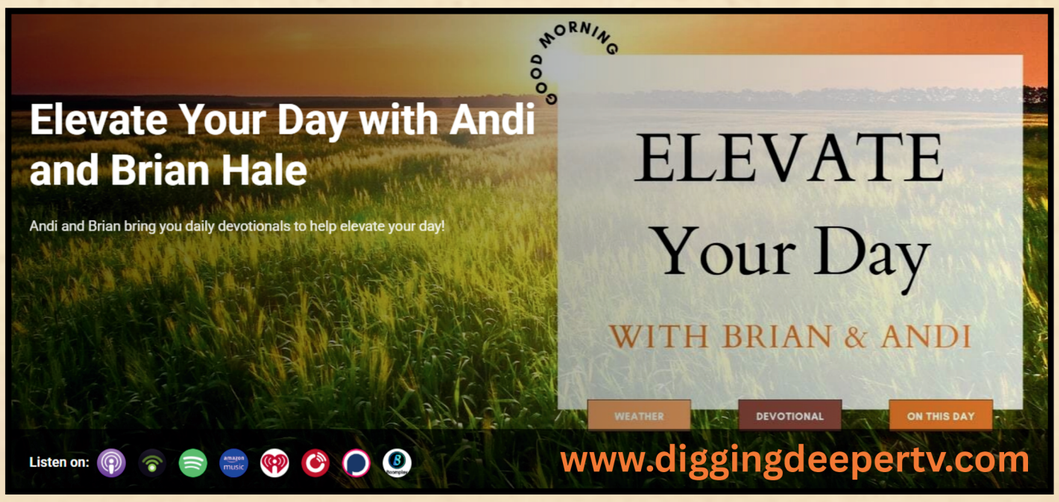
Did you know that Sidney was the original county seat for this entire region?

Originally, Cheyenne County was a massive territory that encompassed the entire southern half of the Nebraska Panhandle, including what is now Scotts Bluff, Kimball, Banner, and Deuel counties. Sidney was the designated county seat for this entire giant jurisdiction.

In 1888, a vote was held to split the giant territory into five smaller counties. When the partition passed, Scotts Bluff County was officially born on November 6, 1888.

That triggered the local election contest where Gering beat out Mitchell to become the new local seat of government, while Sidney remained the county seat for the newly shrunk Cheyenne County.

Elevate Your Day with Andi and Brian



Morning Show
M-F 9 am

- **Weather**
- **Scanner News**
- **Community Calendar**
- **History Challenge**
- **Daily Devotional**
- **Inspirational Music**

"Catch our morning show every Monday through Friday at 9:00 am mountain for a daily look at Weather, Scanner News, Community Calendar, This Day in History, Our Daily Devotional and more!" - Andi and Brian Hale

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High Speed Chase in a Stolen Vehicle



(SCOTTSBLUFF, Neb.) — On July 28, 2026, officers with the Scottsbluff Police Department received a report of a juvenile who had stolen a vehicle and was believed to be driving within the city. Officers confirmed the vehicle had been reported stolen and began searching for the suspect vehicle, described as a silver 2011 Ford Fusion.

Officers located the vehicle and attempted a traffic stop. The driver failed to yield to emergency lights and sirens and fled. Due to the driver's known identity, juvenile status, and the initial risk posed by a pursuit, officers elected not to pursue at that time.

Through the course of the incident, officers determined the juvenile was intentionally returning to the area of the reporting party's residence. Rather than engage in an immediate pursuit, officers established a perimeter around the area where the juvenile repeatedly returned and made several attempts to safely disable the vehicle using tire deflation devices (Stop Sticks).

Despite these efforts, the juvenile's driving behavior continued to escalate. During one stop-stick deployment, the suspect intentionally drove directly toward a marked patrol vehicle occupied by an officer, narrowly avoiding a head-on collision. Based on the escalating threat to officers and the public, the decision was made to initiate a vehicle pursuit.

The initial pursuit was brief and was terminated after the suspect nearly collided with a parked trailer. The juvenile continued driving recklessly and again attempted to return to the East Overland area. Due to the ongoing threat posed by the driver's actions, a second pursuit was initiated. Officers had strategically positioned additional stop-stick deployments in the area, and the suspect vehicle successfully drove over multiple tire deflation devices.

The vehicle continued northbound on 1st Avenue at a high rate of speed while attempting to evade law enforcement. After the tires deflated, the vehicle came to a stop near East 23rd Street and 1st Avenue. The juvenile surrendered without further incident and was taken into custody.

The juvenile was subsequently transported to a juvenile detention facility and booked on multiple felony and misdemeanor charges.



User submitted surveillance on July 30, 2026 showing a local Task Force approaching a residence on East Overland and 5th Avenue in Scottsbluff.

Cocaine Seized in I-80 Traffic Stop



(LEXINGTON, Neb.) – Troopers with the Nebraska State Patrol have arrested a Grand Island man after finding over 5 pounds of suspected cocaine during a traffic stop on Interstate 80.

Friday, July 24, at approximately 11:05 a.m., a trooper saw a Mercedes sedan following a semi at an unsafe distance. The trooper performed a traffic stop near mile marker 255 on I-80, near Elm Creek and detected the odor of marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed approximately 5.6 pounds of suspected cocaine concealed in a backpack in the passenger area of the vehicle. Troopers also found 21 grams of marijuana and $1,880 in cash in the vehicle.

The driver, Dairi Zuleta Anzora, 23, of Grand Island, was arrested for possession of cocaine, possession with intent to distribute, possession of money during a drug violation, and no drug tax stamp. He was lodged in Dawson County Jail.

Saturday Night Chase

(SCOTTSBLUFF, Neb.) – Felony Evading is not something you want to casually add to your driving record, but it seems today's youth are choosing this route every time, and LOSING every time.

Why do kids today think they can get away from the police? One simple answer is a big factor, "Grand Theft Auto." For those that know, know.

Saturday night was no exception with one more loser going to jail.

PROTECT YOURSELF WITH ALARM SECURITY TECHNICIANS - SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA

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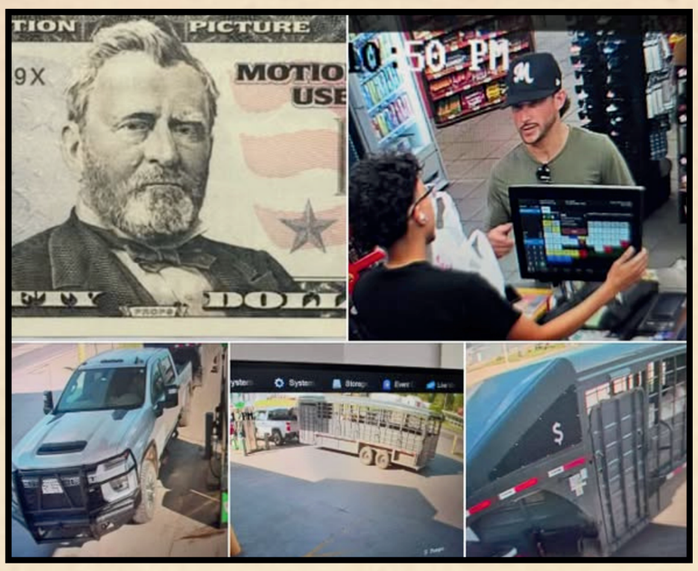
Homeowner Pummels Burglar

(MINATARE, Neb.) -- Scanner traffic indicated the need for an ambulance at a rural Minatare residence. Dispatch also indicated that the scene was not secure yet, as law enforcement was on the way.

The investigation revealed that Michael Donley of Minatare was attempting to burglarize the home when the homeowner 'subdued' him, wrestled him to the floor and held him until police arrived. Donley was arrested after medical clearance.

Movie Money Update



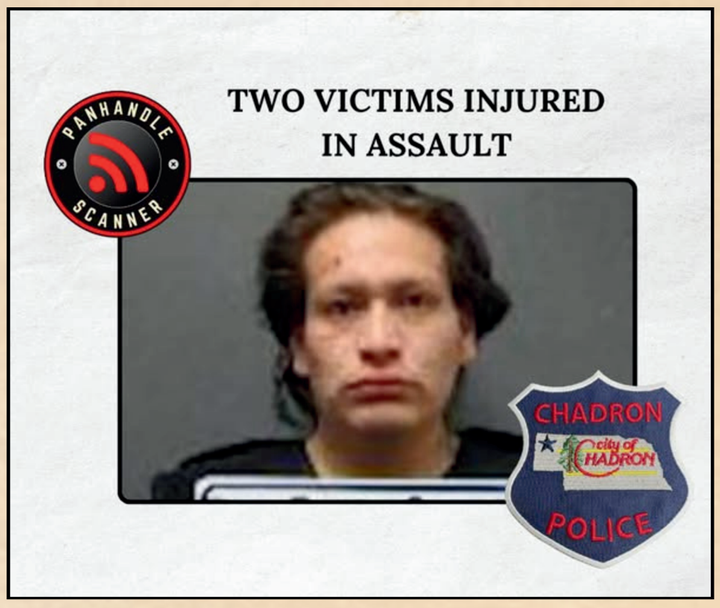
(LOUP CITY, Neb.) – Facebook followers once again helped law enforcement in a quest for information about a potential counterfeiter.



On Wednesday, July 29, 2026, Sherman County Nebraska Sheriff received a report about an individual attempting to pay for items with a fake $50 bill.

The subject above was identified "due to the sharing and information generated from this post," according to Sherman County officials. They reported that follow-up will be conducted with Kansas Authorities.

Two Injured in Chadron Assault



(CHADRON, Neb.) — Chadron police arrested a 25-year-old man following an alleged assault in the early hours of July 27 that left two victims injured and reportedly included threats against their lives.

At 04:19 AM on July 27, 2026, Chadron Police Department officers Luke Parrett and Ashley Tolstedt were dispatched to the Chadron Community Hospital in reference to victim of an assault wanting to speak to an officer. Officers arrived on scene and interviewed the victim. Officers documented the injuries reported to have taken place during the assault and photographs were collected.

Officers Parrett and Tolstedt then left the hospital and went to a residence on the 1000 block of Maple Street where the assault was reported to have occurred. At this location a second victim of the assault was located and interviewed. During the investigation it was learned the suspect of the assault had allegedly verbally threatened the lives of the victims during the assault.

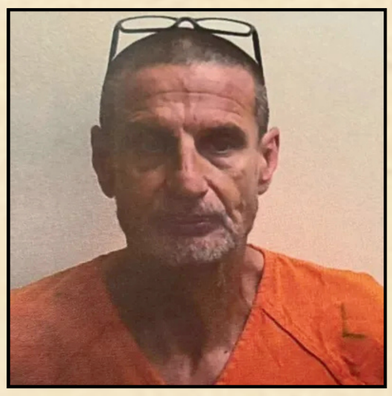
A suspect was identified and the suspect was located in the area. The officers interviewed the suspect of the assault and as a result of the investigation arrested 25-year-old Gary Shott for two counts of Terroristic Threats, which is a Class IIIA Felony and one count of 3rd Degree Assault, which is a Class I Misdemeanor. Shott was transported to the Dawes County Jail where he was held on a 10% of $50,000 bond.

At 23, Gary Shott was involved in a violent assault in May 2024 in Alliance. During the incident, Shott attacked a victim with a katana sword, causing serious bodily injury.

Shott was convicted and sentenced to 6 to 8 years in prison on December 16, 2024 for his actions. He was released on parole in May.

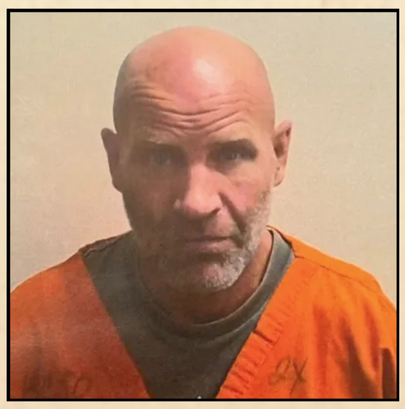
If you have any questions, please contact the Chadron Police Department or Officer Luc Parrett at 308- 432-0510.

All subjects are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



Kimball County Successful Extradition from Colorado

(KIMBALL, Neb.) — On July 24, 2026 the Kimball County Sheriff's Office extradited William Wilson (55) from Colorado on a warrant for Theft and Burglary which occurred in Kimball County.



Kimball County Burglary Arrest

(KIMBALL, Neb.) — On July 22, 2026 the Kimball County Sheriff's Office arrested Daniel Rutledge (52) for Burglary, Possession of Burglary Tools and Criminal Trespassing.

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Active Threat Training



(TORRINGTON, Wyo.) — This past week, the Torrington Police Department hosted their annual Active Threat training at Eastern Wyoming College.

The training is designed to provide law enforcement officers with the decision-making skills, tactics, and teamwork they need to save lives when our community is in danger. The training included classroom instruction and a series of scenarios that were designed to replicate incredibly challenging circumstances that have occurred in other communities across the country.

The real-life scenarios that make this training so beneficial for the officers wouldn't be possible without the amazing folks who serve as role-players. They graciously volunteer their time, and some of them suffer lots of bumps and bruises, to make the training a success.

Special thanks to Aaron and Courtney Walsh, Robert Shade, Darcy Clark-Connelly, Keelin Connelly, and Mike Kattaneh.



GCSO Conducts Two-Car Traffic Stop

(HYANNIS, Neb.) — On July 29, at approximately 2:30 p.m., the Grant County, NE Sheriff's Office conducted a traffic stop involving two vehicles traveling together east of Hyannis on Highway 2.

During the stop, law enforcement detected the odor of marijuana coming from one of the vehicles. With assistance from the Hooker County Sheriff's Office and the Arthur County Sheriff's Office, law enforcement conducted a probable-cause search of that vehicle. During the search, law enforcement located a stolen firearm, controlled substances, and drug paraphernalia.



The Grant County Sheriff's Office arrested two individuals from the vehicle on multiple felony charges, including firearm- and drug-related offenses. Both individuals were transported to the Box Butte County Jail and booked without incident.

The Grant County Sheriff's Office would like to take a moment and thank Hooker County Sheriff's Office and Arthur County Sheriff's Office for their assistance.

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FIRE & RESCUE

Thoughts from the harvest table, putting rumors to rest...

By Van Driesten Harvesting

(CHOUTEAU COUNTY, Montana) – This is something no harvester ever wants to experience. In late July, Van Driesten Harvesting had a fire in the field that resulted in a total loss of a combine and header. They also lost a few acres of the crop to the fire.

"It just goes to show that you can do everything possible to prevent something like this, and sometimes the cards simply aren't in your favor. Within two minutes, it became obvious that the combine wasn't going to be saved. Thankfully, everyone was okay."

"At that point, we shifted to saving the crop, or at least as much of it as we could. The breeze that day wasn't anything out of the ordinary. In fact, there was very little wind."



Photo Copyright Van Driesten Harvesting

"Once the fire started, the breeze shifted over and over, making it incredibly difficult to keep the fire contained. One combine stayed ahead of the flames, cutting a fire break in an effort to slow the fire down. Just when we thought we had it under control, the wind shifted again, or water trucks needed to refill."

"In less than an hour, the field fire was extinguished, and the local fire departments worked through the remaining hot spots. We are incredibly grateful to the volunteer firefighters from Loma, Big Sandy, Elim, and Geraldine Fire Departments, as well as the local farmers and another harvest crew who dropped what they were doing to come help. Without these volunteers, this could have ended very differently."

The Loma, Big Sandy, Elim, and Geraldine Fire Departments are essential volunteer agencies that handle emergency response and wildland fire protection across Chouteau County, Montana.

Because this vast rural region is highly susceptible to fast-moving brush and crop fires, these localized teams operate under strict mutual aid agreements to collectively tackle major agricultural and structural emergencies.

"Harvest is full of long days, difficult conditions, and risks that most people never see. This was a reminder that equipment can be replaced, but people cannot. We're incredibly thankful our crew made it home safely, and we're deeply appreciative of everyone who helped us through this."

Each weekday, Brian Hale produces the Harvest USA Report covering the harvest activities of our U.S. and Canadian Custom Harvesters. Our prayers and thoughts are with them for the rest of the harvest season.

- KSIR AM 1010 – Brush, CO (Flagship Station)
- KNAB AM 1140 – Burlington, CO
- KFRM AM 550 – Salina, KS
- KMON AM 560 – Great Falls, MT
- KCMI FM 97.1 – Scottsbluff, NE
- KSEL FM 105.9 – Portales, NM
- KNDK AM 1080 – Langdon, ND
- KPOK AM 1340 – Bowman, ND
- KLTC AM 1460 – Dickinson, ND
- KEYZ AM 660 – Williston, ND
- KGFX AM 1060 – Pierre, SD
- KMLO AM 100.7 – Lowry, SD
- KPLO FM 94.5 – Reliance, SD
- KWYR AM 1260 – Winner, SD
- KDHN AM 1470 – Dimmitt, TX
- Spotify, Apple, iHeart, etc

Motorcycle vs Deer Results in Fatality Near 26/92 Junction

(BAYARD, Neb.) – On July 31st, 2026, at approximately 8:41 p.m., deputies with the Morrill County Sheriff's Office responded to a reported injury motorcycle crash on Highway 92 near mile marker 43, just west of the South Bayard Junction.

Deputies, along with the Bayard Volunteer Fire Department, arrived on scene and began providing life-saving measures to the operator of the motorcycle. Despite their efforts, Daniel F. Waechter, a resident of Bayard, Nebraska, was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The preliminary investigation determined that Daniel F. Waechter was traveling eastbound on Highway 92 when he struck a deer that had entered the roadway. The collision caused him to lose control of the motorcycle, resulting in the crash.

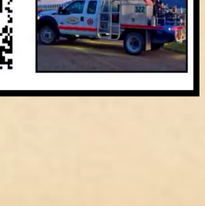
As the incident remains under investigation by the Morrill County Sheriff's Office, condolences and fun memories of Dan at Cougar Palace playing 'The Chicken Dance' or others referring to him as 'Coffee Dan'.

He will be sorely missed. We join the community in prayers for all family and friends, as well as those involved in responding to this fateful accident.

CITY OF ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA FIRE CHIEF FIRST REVIEW: AUGUST 28, 2026

The City of Alliance is hiring!

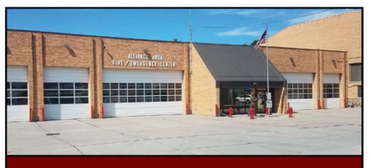
Fire Chief



Lead a proud tradition of service.

The City of Alliance is seeking an experienced, collaborative, and visionary leader to serve as its next Fire Chief. This executive leadership position oversees a combination fire and EMS department providing fire suppression and prevention, emergency medical services, rescue operations, hazardous materials response, and emergency management services to Alliance and the surrounding area.

Qualified candidates should possess progressively responsible fire service leadership experience, strong administrative and financial management skills, and a demonstrated commitment to developing personnel, fostering partnerships, and serving the community. Individuals who do not fully meet the minimum qualifications are still encouraged to apply!



Fire Department Mission Statement
The mission of the Alliance Fire Department is to provide prompt, professional fire and emergency response to the community of Alliance and the surrounding area. We are a team that values innovation, education, and ideas that enable us to save lives, reduce property loss, and improve emergency services to meet the changing life safety needs of citizens.

About the Department

The Alliance Fire Department is a combination organization consisting of 5 career and 46 volunteer personnel and works closely with the Alliance Rural Fire Protection District to provide high-quality emergency response services. The department responds to more than 1,000 calls annually and plays a critical role in protecting the lives and property of residents throughout the region.

First Review of Applications:
Noon on August 28, 2026

Civil Service Interviews for Selected Applicants
September 1, 2026

Salary: $82,000 to $112,000 DOQ, plus an excellent benefits package. Application, Cover Letter, and Certifications will be accepted until the position is filled.

For the complete recruitment brochure, qualifications, benefit information, and full job description, visit: www.cityofalliance.net.

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Grain Bin Death



(ASHTON, Neb.) — On July 28, 2026 Region 26 Emergency Management and 911 Dispatch received a 911 call at 5:07 pm, requesting grain bin extrication equipment at a location south of Ashton, Nebraska.

Several local fire departments were paged to assist with manpower and equipment, including Ashton Fire, Loup City Fire, Rockville Fire, Arcadia Fire, Farwell Fire, Boelus Fire, Ashton-Rockville-Loup City Coop Ambulance, and AirCare.

The individual was located and recovered from the grain bin.

Broadwater
DOG FIGHT

(BROADWATER, Neb.) – The question of the day in the little village in western Nebraska seems to be, “Who Let The Dogs Out?”

We posted scanner traffic indicating a call for an ambulance after a dog fight occurred in Broadwater.

As we understand the situation, two ladies were walking their dogs behind a property where the gate was in need of some improvement. Seemed the Corgi kept pushing through it, even though it was secured by a bungee cord.

The dog fight was not serious, and we are hoping any injuries were minor.

The important thing is that the gate has now been repaired and the owner is committed to keeping the dogs in.

3 Killed in Ault Rollover, 2 Survive



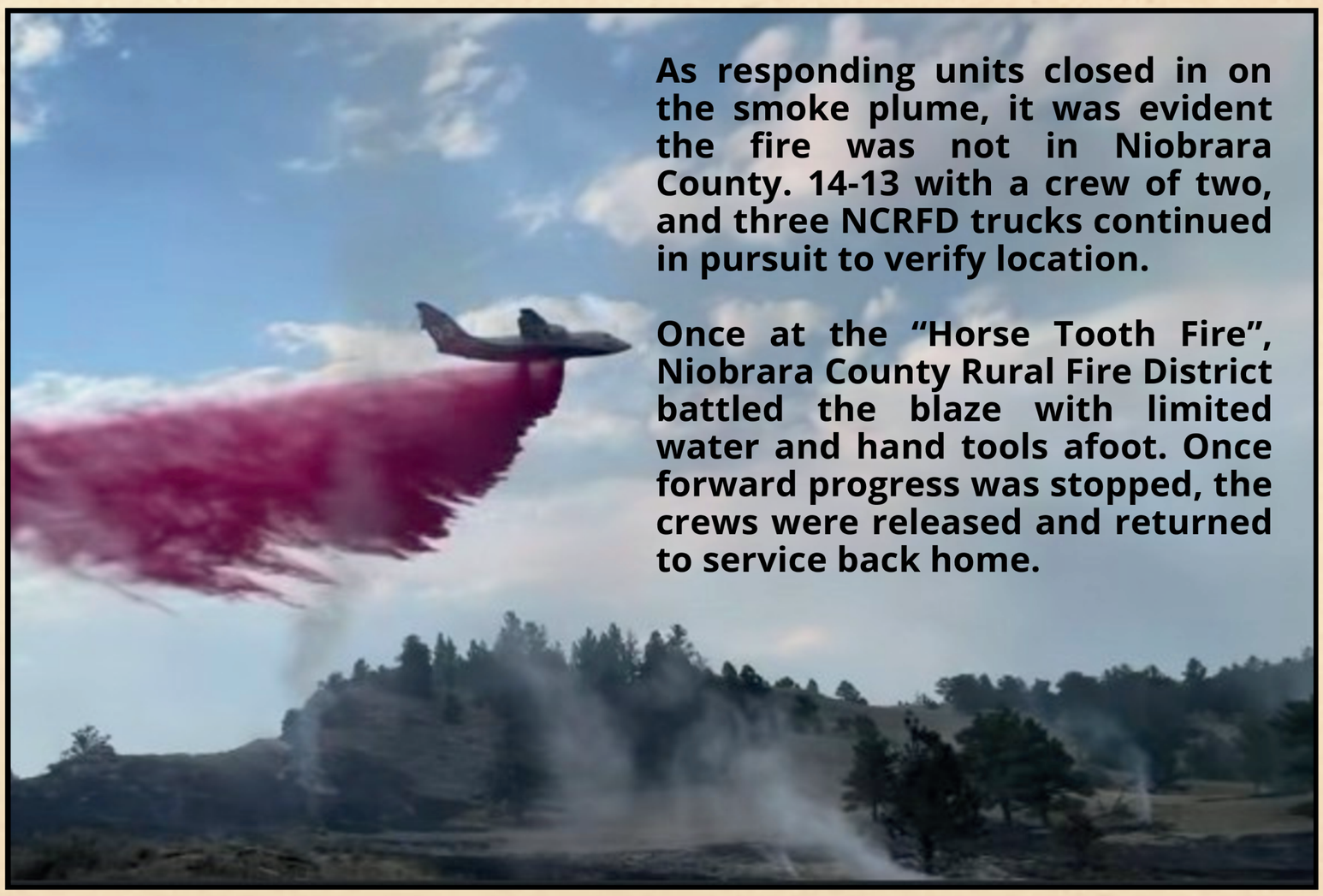
(WELD COUNTY, Colo.) - Three recent Eaton High School graduates were killed and two others were injured in a single-vehicle rollover crash in Weld County on Saturday, July 25, 2026.

Cash Allen Rinker, 20, and Jack David Dirksen, 19, of Eaton and Cooper Christopher Nider, 19, of Greeley, Colorado all succumbed to their injuries, while the driver, a 20-year-old from Wyoming, suffered critical injuries and was airlifted to a hospital, with another 19-year-old passenger from Eaton sustaining minor injuries.

At approximately 5:18 p.m. Saturday, on Weld County Road 80 near the intersection of Weld County Road 39, east of Ault, a westbound Chevrolet Tahoe was traveling at a high rate of speed on a dirt road, went off the side, lost control, and rolled several times. All five individuals inside the vehicle were ejected; none were wearing seat belts.

Jireh Road Fire in Lusk Wyoming

(LUSK, Wyo.) - On July 25th at approximately 4:48 pm; LVFD and Niobrara County Rural Fire District were paged to a wildland fire on Jireh Road in Lusk, Wyoming.



As responding units closed in on the smoke plume, it was evident the fire was not in Niobrara County. 14-13 with a crew of two, and three NCRFD trucks continued in pursuit to verify location.

Once at the “Horse Tooth Fire”, Niobrara County Rural Fire District battled the blaze with limited water and hand tools afoot. Once forward progress was stopped, the crews were released and returned to service back home.

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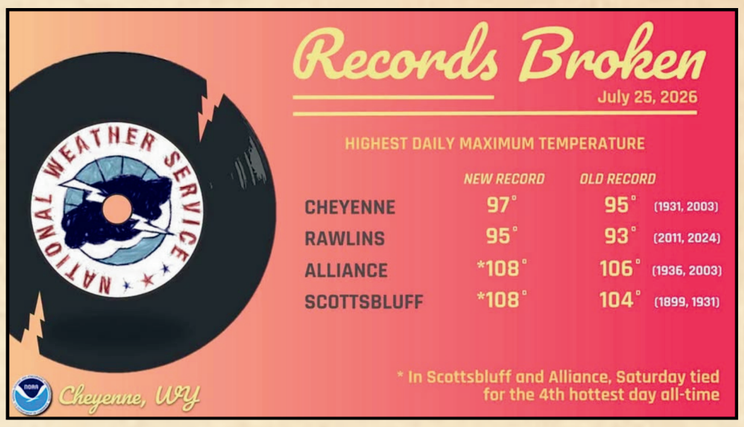
Broadwater Storm Damage

(BROADWATER, Neb.) – Storm Spotters in the Broadwater area reported heavy flash flooding and intense tree damage caused by a severe thunderstorm with golf ball sized hail and 70 mph winds.





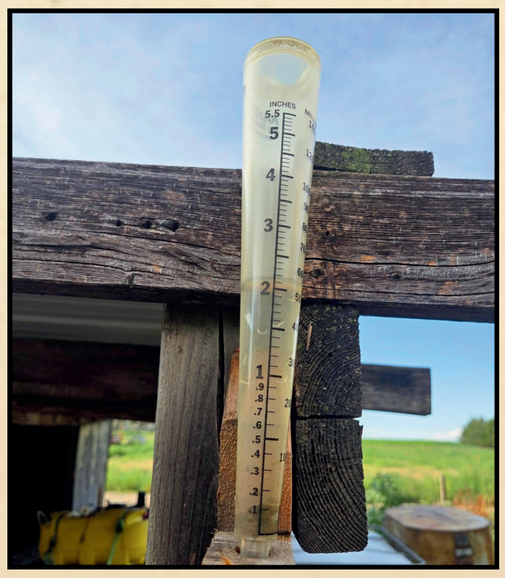






Storm Dumps Much Needed Rainfall





LANDSPOUT TORNADO



(MULLEN, Neb.) - This photo by Michael Stichka was captured north of Mullen in Cherry County around 4:30 pm MDT, July 30th, 2026.

City of Gordon Request



(GORDON, Neb.) - Daytime Water Use Voluntary Restrictions - to ensure an adequate supply for essential needs, this is a request for usage to be reduced daily between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Gordon Pool Vandalized

(GORDON, Neb.) -- Overnight Thursday, while the swimming pool was closed, someone gained entry to the pool and caused some minor vandalism.

ANYONE with information about suspicious activity or persons around the pool is asked to please call City Manager Scott Fleming at 308 282-0837.

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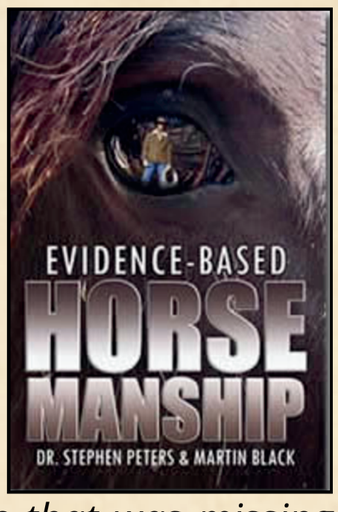
This Week on Horseman's Corner Radio



The Horseman's Corner Radio Program has been on the air since 1994. Here is this week's lineup.

- John Israel Bits
- Do Horses Need A Leader?
- Horses vs Humans
- Bible Ranch Horses
- Working Safely Around Horses

Notable guests across these include North Platte, Nebraska horse trainer Steve Sward on John Israel Bits, Larry Reinhold of Rainbow Bible Ranch, Cal Middleton, a professional performance horse trainer based near Smithville, Missouri on Working Safely Around Horses, and Dr. Steve Peters, neuroscientist and co-author of Evidence-Based Horsemanship (with Martin Black) on the similarities and differences between the brains of horses vs. humans.



*"My hope is that the information in **Evidence-Based Horsemanship** will give people a real insight into the horses brain. My experience with horses has taught me a lot, but there was an area of understanding for me that was missing until I started working with Dr. Steve Peters. I now feel like I have a much more complete understanding of how to apply this knowledge I have gained through my experience and hope to share it with others through this book."*
~ Martin Black

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This Week on The Harvest USA Report



The Harvest USA Report has been on the air since 1997 on 22 stations.

- HUSA Jul 31 2026 – Josh Wright
- HUSA Jul 30 2026 – Josh Wright
- HUSA Jul 29 2026 – Chris Patton
- HUSA Jul 28 2026 – USCHI Relief
- HUSA Jul 27 2026 – Van Driesten

Josh Wright Interview by David L. Woodruff

- The conversation involved a discussion on harvesting activities in Montana, specifically near Dutton and Miles City.

- The dry land yield in Dutton is reported to be between 40 and 60 bushels, which is considered good given the conditions.

Grain Quality

- There is an emphasis on the protein content of the harvested grain, with reported protein levels between 13% and 14.5%, which is deemed satisfactory.

- Discussions reflect on past difficulties such as droughts in other regions like Oklahoma, Texas, and Kansas. However, there is an optimistic tone about recovery in recent conditions.

Other Reports This Week

Chris Patton discusses his family's Tilted Acres Ranch in Prescott, WA, and the other two are news-style segments are a funding request from The U.S. Custom Harvesters, inc. and a report on a combine fire (see page 6) during harvest, rather than guest interviews.

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This Week on Cattleman's Corner Radio



Here are the last five episode titles from Cattleman's Corner Radio on Podbean, most recent first:

- Dangers of Hydrogen Sulphide
- Red Angus South of Pink Palace
- Cowboys and Their Poetry Gatherings
- The Gelbvieh Advantage
- American Hereford Association

Like Harvest USA and Horseman's Corner, this is another Hale Broadcasting program — hosted by David Woodruff and produced by Brian Hale, continuing the legacy of his late father Howard Hale, who ran it from 1994 until 2023.

The show is a daily two-minute program sponsored by the American Gelbvieh Association, so several of these recent episodes are short producer interviews rather than long-form guest conversations — the sixth-most-recent episode, for example, features Montana producer Ted Delagana talking about grain hay versus alfalfa.



The Cattleman's Corner plays on radio stations in Nebraska, Colorado, Kansas, North Dakota and South Dakota every Monday through Friday.

visit **www.cattlemanscorner.com**

THE SUNDAY SCANNER

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Heeman Family Retiring the Pioneers; Outlaws to Relocate

(GERING, Neb.) – The Western Nebraska Pioneers have announced that the team will cease operations with the end of the 2026 season. In addition, the Nebraska Outlaws will relocate to Johnstown, Colorado and remain in the Front Range League.

“Mayra and I have come to the difficult decision that it’s time for us to move aside,” owner Chuck Heeman said. “We have put everything we have into our business, teams and community for nine years in Nebraska and the toll it’s taken on us has built to this point. Physically, emotionally and financially, we feel we’ve gone as far as we can, and as we age it’s time for us to make this change. We’ve had an amazing nine years here but we recognize that sometimes things just have run their course.

“On behalf of Mayra, Bella, the rest of our family and myself, we are blessed beyond words and so thankful for the people who have stood with us for so long and continue to support us. Our host families, fans, corporate partners, all the players and coaches who have come through during our time here have enriched our lives much more than we have enriched theirs, and we are incredibly thankful for all of them. We thank God for our time in this wonderful community and feel He has put a path in front of us that will allow us to continue to do what we love and find peace in our journey.”

Noteworthy Finish; The Outlaws won the Front Range League Title in Gering’s Final Game at Oregon Trail Park!



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Farm to Family Cooperative



(HAY SPRINGS, Neb.) – When the town's only traditional grocery store closed in 2019, local residents banded together to form a grassroots committee to prevent the village from becoming a permanent food desert. Backed by sweat equity, individual stock purchases, and a USDA Rural Development grant for energy-efficient cooling units, the cooperative officially opened its doors in June 2021.

The market operates out of a historic 1,500-square-foot building in the center of Main Street that housed one of the town's very first grocery stores in the early 1900s—complete with the original, restored wood floors. Inside, the walls and fixtures are styled out of local barn wood and tin.

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Cornerstone Coffee First Winner of 2026



(MITCHELL, Neb.) -- There's a little coffee shop on the corner in Mitchell that is making a big splash.

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Hitchhiker Alerts; Why?

The Panhandle Scanner page issues "Hitchhiker Alerts" strictly as roadside safety messages to prevent accidents.

According to Brian Hale, host of the network's Scanner News, these alerts are meant to warn drivers to look out for pedestrians on dark or remote rural highways, much like warnings for wildlife or stray livestock.

Key Reasons for the Alerts

- **Driver Awareness: Hitchhikers often walk along high-speed corridors like Highway 26 or Highway 92 wearing dark clothing at night. The alerts give motorists a heads-up to avoid hitting them.**
- **Reporting Dispatch Traffic: The page is not trying to "tattle-tale" or get anyone into trouble. They simply log and repeat the active dispatches heard over local law enforcement frequencies when a reporting person flags a pedestrian to local dispatch.**
- **Pedestrian Distress: Because the region experiences extreme weather—ranging from severe high-plains heat to sudden cold fronts—the page notes that people on the side of the road are frequently in distress from vehicle breakdowns or severe dehydration.**

Hitchhiking is entirely legal in Nebraska and Wyoming unless a person stands directly in the middle of a roadway or violates a specific local ordinance. The page uses these alerts purely as a defensive driving tool and general awareness for the community.



In Other Scanner Traffic...

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Hitchhiker Alert July 26, 2026 7 pm
Scanner traffic indicated a male, Dark Hair, Dark Shirt, Dark mustache, walking 385 northbound towards Chadron.

Minatare Dog Bite July 27, 2026 12 am
Scanner traffic indicated a 70 yr old female was bitten in the face by a dog. Medical requested.

Bike Accident July 26, 2026 8 am
Scanner traffic indicated a Bicycle Accident near the walking path off of HWY 26 & AVE B in Scottsbluff.

Hit and Run July 31, 2026 11 pm
Scanner traffic indicated a 10-44; MM 74 HWY 26; RP called says vehicle is backwards in a ditch, NSP advised to break away from calls & head to Broadwater.

Hitchhiker Alert July 26, 2026 6 pm
(Scanner traffic indicated on MM 1 on HWY 26, a possible hitch-hiker, male, no other description.

Patient Transfer July 27, 2026 7 pm
(SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY, Neb.) – Emergency responders were called to a medical incident Sunday morning after the Nebraska State Patrol requested an ambulance response along Highway 26 between Morrill and Scottsbluff.

According to scanner traffic, the ambulance met with the patient near South Morrill Road. The ambulance then traveled from South Morrill Road to Highway 26 en route to the hospital in Scottsbluff.

Scanner Traffic is ever evolving and not meant to be the final story, and seldom is.
We report what comes across traffic verbatim whenever possible.