

NEW BEGINNINGS

November 2023

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Community Dinner

The November Community Dinner will be a Benefit Dinner for David and Carrie Sandmann. Both David and Carrie are experiencing major health issues. This is a chance for you to show your support for David and Carrie.

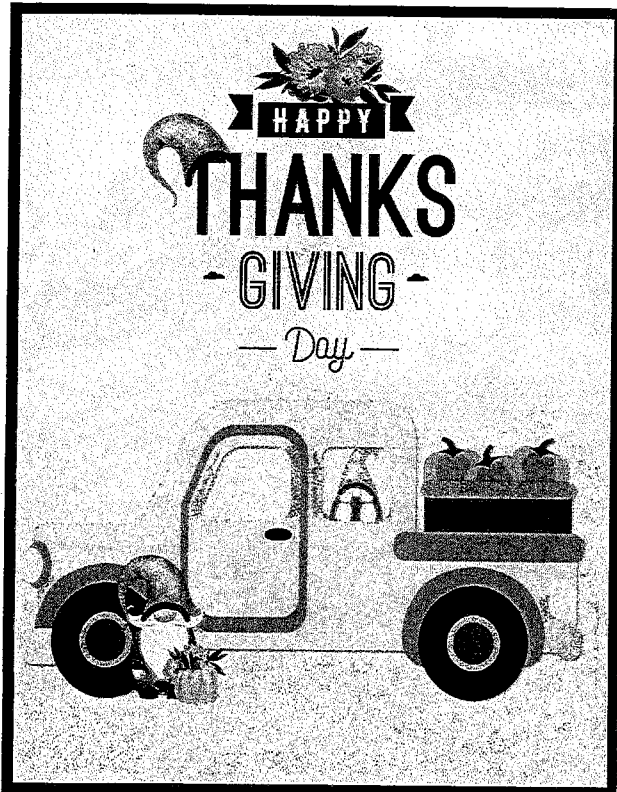
WHERE: Grandview Events Center – Stratton

TIME: 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

CONTACT: Julie Stahly – 308-276-2204 call for further information and if you would be willing to donate supplies/food and/or help serve. Your help would be greatly appreciated!

Everyone is Welcome!

In celebration of Thanksgiving dinner will include Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, & Pie!!



Thanksgiving Dinner

- November 23, 2023
- Grandview Events Center
- Dinner Served at 12:00 P.M. CST
- Bring a side to go with Turkey, Potatoes and Stuffing



Christmas **Tour of Homes**

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DECEMBER 10TH 5-7 pm

**Begins & ends at Grand View Events Center
Join us for dessert following the tours.**

903 Bailey Street

**Pre-sale tickets are available through
December 8th for \$8 or tickets can be
purchased at the door for \$10. Pre-sale
tickets can be purchased at MNB, Stratton
Country Market, or the Village Office.**

**To have your home or business
placed on the list, contact Tara @
308-380-2878 or Shaila @
308-276-2166.**

Sponsored by the Stratton Area Chamber of Commerce

Apple Pie Enchiladas

Ingredients:

1 (21 ounce) can apple pie filling

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/2 cup butter

1/2 cup white sugar

1/2 cup brown sugar

1/2 cup water

1 teaspoon vanilla

6 (8 inch) flour tortillas - store bought is great for this, Just be sure to buy Flour Tortillas

Directions:

1. Spoon about one heaping quarter cup of pie filling evenly down the center of each tortilla. Sprinkle with cinnamon and roll up, tucking in edges; and place seam side down in prepared dish.

2. In a medium saucepan over medium heat, combine butter, white sugar, brown sugar and water. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly; reduce heat and simmer 3 minutes, remove from heat and stir in 1 teaspoon vanilla.

3. Pour sauce over enchiladas and let stand 45 minutes.

Note: Don't rush the 45 minute resting time for the sauce on the enchiladas before baking, this step helps to magically transform the flour tortillas into a faux pasty dough.

4. Bake in preheated oven at 350 degrees F for 30 minutes, or until golden.

Enjoy



LITTLE VILLAGE daycare

After more than 5 years of providing daycare services for children in the Stratton and area communities, it is with broken hearts that we announce the closing of Little Village Daycare. With all of the ups and downs that all small businesses face, we have decided that we have no other option but to close the doors to the daycare. Our staff and volunteers have poured their hearts into LVD and we appreciate the opportunity to help your littles grow and learn.

Little Village Daycare received its name because it truly takes a village to raise a child. We are humbled by the love and support over the years and could not have made it this far without all of the entities and individuals who have been involved. THANK YOU to each and every individual and organization who donated time, money, supplies and equipment. We want to say a huge THANK YOU to Grandview Community & Events Center for believing in the dream to have a daycare in our community and allowing us the space in their building. Any funds left over after we work through the closing of the business will be donated back to the organizations and community who so generously supported us.

From the bottom of our hearts, THANK YOU

Little Village Daycare Board of Directors, Staff,
Parents and Children

Stratton Public Library News November 2023

HOURS: MONDAY 12-7 THURSDAY 12-5

New Selections:

Adult: The Bone Hacker by Reichs - **The Noel Letters, The Noel Stranger, The Road Back Home** by Evans – **Verity** by Hoover – **Recovery Agent** by Evanovich – **Photographer** by Carter – **Spark of Light, The Perfect Match** by Picoult – **Dark Hours** by Connelly – **The Slow Moon** by Cox – **The Matchmaker** by Hilderbrand – **Winners’s Game** by Milne – **Survivors** by Harper – **The Precipice, The Bone Orchard** by Doiron **Don’t Stand Too Close to a Naked Man** by Tim Allen

Juvenile: Little Blue Truck by Schertle – **Elizabeth’s Story** by Whitby – **Much Ado About Anne, Wish You Were Eyre** by Frederick

How about coming to the Stratton Public Library for a bit of travel!

During the coming months we will have a map challenge going on. Here is how it works...come check out a book and we will mark the map showing where the author resides. The goal is to hit every state in the United States! When you check out a book and mark the state you will be entered into a drawing for an awesome prize.



Come help us hit every state...challenge starts on November 2nd.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION: Thursdays 2-4 in the Library

*Help Make Someone's
Christmas Special.
Caring Tree nominations
are being accepted at
MNB Bank. To make a
nomination contact
Shaila at 308-276-2166 by
November 17th*



New Beginnings is published monthly by the Community Builders Academy. In order to assure a timely issue, articles must be submitted by the 25th of the month to Julie Bernt. Articles may be emailed to rbernt@gpcom.net. Thank you to this month's donors:

Bill Condon
Anonymous
Mel & Virginia Campbell

New Hours Starting in January, 2023

Stratton Medical Clinic

To schedule an appointment
call (308) 423-2151.

Provider Availability Subject to Change.
Closed Saturday, Sunday, Monday & Friday

Central Times listed:

Tuesday

Michelle Koppie, APRN 9:00 - 12:00 / 1:00 - 4:30 PM

Wednesday

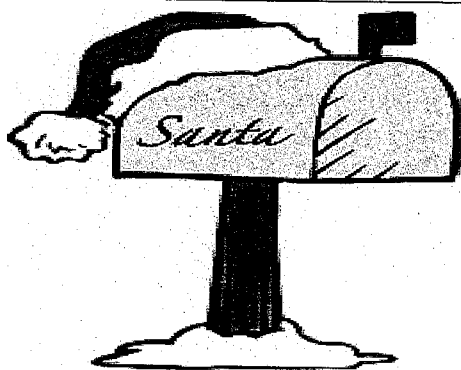
Tammi Cawthra, APRN- 2:00 - 5:00 PM

Thursday

Lori Stonehocker, D.O. 10:30 - 12:00 / 1:30 - 4:30 PM

For appointments outside of these dates and times please
call Quality Healthcare Clinic in Benkelman, NE.

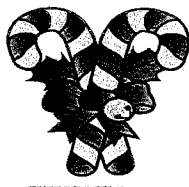
903 Bailey St.
Stratton, NE 69043
www.dchbenkelman.com LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!



Hey Kids!!!

It's that time of year! Santa would love to hear from you. You can drop your letters in Santa's box at MNB Bank

December 1st - the 18th



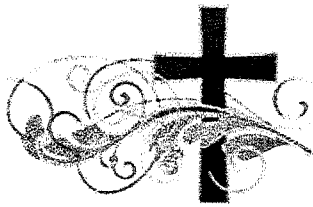
Saturday Night from 7-9

Bring your family friendly games to

Grandview Events Center

Join the Fun Everyone is welcome!





MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

December 2nd 8:00 A.M.

--HOSTED BY--

Church of Christ

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

10:45 a.m. Church Services

St. Joseph Catholic Church

8:30 a.m. Mass

Church of Christ

10:30 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 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

Chaplin's Corner

November is the month for a holiday called Thanksgiving. You think of families gathering together, big dinners with roast turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and vegetables, cranberries and pumpkin pies. Giving thanks to God for giving us a country where we have the freedom to worship in the way that we choose, the freedom to speak freely without threat of intimidation or punishment by our government, which, incidentally, is supposed to be, "of the people, by the people, for the people". John Wycliff wrote this phrase in the prologue of his translation of the Bible, "The Bible is for the Government of the People, by the People, and for the People". Abraham Lincoln used the phrase in the Gettysburg Address. There are many more freedoms that are guaranteed by our constitution, but, sadly, they are being abused and forgotten.

Many of us have forgotten to teach our kids about the history of our great country and what it means to us and the rest of the world. Many of us have not taught their children about our great God the Creator and Savior, about self-discipline and responsibility. Win, lose, or draw, you get a trophy. People need to learn about the pain of defeat-what it's like to lose. That gives you a desire to win and excel. This Thanksgiving we need to look at ourselves and each other and say, "What can we do, what can I do to save this Great Country?" The first thing to do is thank our Lord and Savior and then ask His help and guidance.

I started writing The Chaplain's Corner for The El Dorado Manor rest home monthly paper several years ago. This will be the last issue of that publication as The Manor is shutting down. Heavy handed government regulation is probably the largest problem. Small rural communities can't survive the excessive bureaucratic oversight that we have sat by and let our government have. It's one more reason we are going to have to pick up our responsibilities and do our job. El Dorado Manor, you have done a great job and have been a great service to our community for many years. You are going to be greatly missed.

Richard Stahly



What Is A Veteran?

A Veteran is a person who has answered the call of duty from their country, either voluntarily or drafted during war or peacetime, and survived this experience.

A Veteran is a person who has sworn allegiance to their country, whether right or wrong, and honors the flag for what it represents.

A Veteran is a person who has survived the loss of life or limb in his/her effort to secure freedom and democracy for people at home or abroad.

A Veteran is a patriot still willing to defend this country no matter if they may suffer bodily handicaps or infirmities.

A Veteran is the backbone of the country, ensuring its freedom and liberty no matter what the cost.

A Veteran is the one to thank for our freedom which was paid for in blood.

VAMC – Milwaukee, WI



VETERANS DAY
HONORING ALL THOSE WHO SERVED



Thank you to everyone who helped with the Red Cross Bloodmobile in Stratton in September. Thank you to MNB Bank for donating supplies for the bloodmobile. Thank you to *Deb Glasco, Sharla Unruh, Cheryl Bohochik (and Bella), Donita Clark, Aimee & Eva Sandberg* for fixing food, working, and loading up the blood mobile. Also, thanks to St. Joseph's Church for letting us use the basement.

Of course, the donors deserve a **BIG** thank you for coming in to donate. They were: *Dan Ladenburger, Larry Howard, Nick Ladenburger, Sharla Unruh, Ron Wertz, Patrick Lorens, Kent Lorens, Joel Sis, Dustin Ladenburger, Mike Petersen, Cheryl Bohochik, Richard Reichert, Ashley Stehno, Beth Kollmorgen, and Marshall Goodenberger.*

CONGRATULATIONS

to *Dallas Jesch* for being a **1* TIME DONOR!!**

We collected **18 UNITS** of product which was our goal! Next year, let's see if we can reach **20 UNITS!!**



Trunk or Treat!



Thank you!

to everyone who came out for the Chamber's trunk or treating and the chili cook-off. A huge thank you to everyone who brought chili, helped set up, and handed out candy! The chili winners were- 3rd place: *Melissa Dailey*, 2nd place: *Sharla Unruh*, 1st place: *Shaila Latta*.

Congratulations to the winners!

Stratton Community Fund Drive

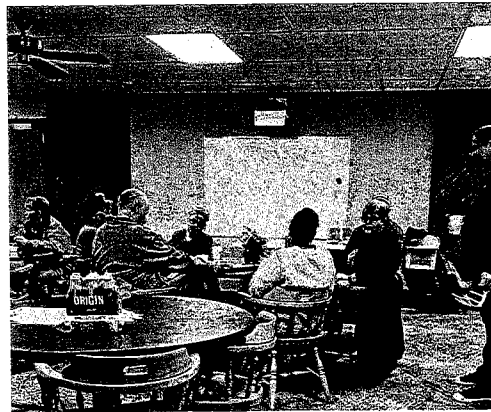
It is once again time for the annual Community Fund Drive.

Each year the funds from the drive assist the organizations in our community. Your donation will help sustain the many organizations and will benefit the entire community.

We are counting on your support. Volunteers will be going door-to-door or packets will be mailed enabling you to contribute.

If you do not receive a notice and wish to donate, please send your donation to:

Stratton Community Fund Drive'
P O Box 42
Stratton NE 69043

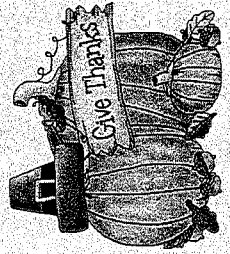


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Dundy County Stratton Activities Calendar

NOVEMBER 2023

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All dates and times are subject to change. For current information about the School Calendar on the district's website, follow us on Twitter and Facebook. #Activities

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