

KNEB-AM - Scottsbluff, NE

Quarterly Issues/Programs List

April 1, 2022 – June 30, 2022

Below is a list of some of the significant issues responded to, along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues for the period. This list is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

Newscasts on KNEB-AM air Monday through Friday at the following times and durations: 5:00 in length at 6:00 a.m., 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 10:35 a.m., 11:35 a.m., 12:35 p.m., and 4:00 p.m., plus a news brief 1:30 in length at 5:40 p.m.

Our extended news program, News Extra, airs Monday through Friday between 7:50 a.m. and 8:00 a.m., and covered a variety of topics: Child Abuse Prevention Month; Community events such as the Summit to Summit race/walk, Festival of Hope, Corks Forks and Brews, Morrill Penny Carnival, Bands on Broadway, Robidoux Rendezvous, Scotts Bluff Co. Scholarship Pageant, UWWN Color Dash; Politicians seeking office including Kevin Stocker, and Scott Shaver; Governor Pete Ricketts discussing a variety of state issues; Scottsbluff and Gering Schools Superintendent updates; National Travel and Tourism Week; Household Hazardous Waste Collection; Veterans Stand-Down; Kids Summer Reading Programs; Scottsbluff LB357 Citizens Committee; Congressman Adrian Smith; StepForward Nominations;

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Arts and Culture	Newscasts	Resolution of whether the Western Nebraska Pioneers would play this summer, as Gering declared breach of contract and negotiated a new lease exclusively with the team; Zoo takes steps to protect from HPAI; Theatre West begins their 2022 Summer Reparatory season with live performances; Old West Balloon Fest obtains funding to defray 2022 event costs, seeks volunteers; PRCA rough stock rodeo to take place during county fair for the first time in decades; Tourism officials outline plans to make area a sports tourism destination; Cinco de Mayo downtown celebration a big success; NGPC hosts Nature Nerd Trivia contest; Zoo gains zebra foal, loses one of the two bear brothers; Festival of Hope marks 20 th year of festival event in Mitchell; Robidoux Rendezvous draws record participation;
Community	Newscasts	Hundreds of pinwheels outside CAPStone for child abuse prevention awareness, marking each child interviewed over the previous year; Scotts Bluff Volunteer Center has a new 'Books on Wheels' program; Old caboos used as tourism kiosk in Scottsbluff sold; Leadership Scotts Bluff donates their Hoops for Heroes proceeds to CASA and CAPStone; United Way of Western Nebraska Color Dash returns fully in person this year; Robidoux Trading Post re-opens to the public at new location near Five Rocks Amphitheater; Tourism impact highlighted during Travel and Tourism Week; Family of a Morrill man killed in motor vehicle crash thanks community for their support; Pergola honoring local lawyer killed in car crash dedicated on county grounds; Valeria Rodriguez honored for civic leadership in the community; Humane Society opens outdoor 'Catio' for felines; Stonegate Road to get chip seal treatment to smooth out roadway; Groups propose horse racetrack and casino for Ogallala; Northfield Haven project receives local Rotary group's largest donation ever;
Health	Newscasts	Health officials note HPAI appears locally, not believed to be a threat to humans; Local businesses join public health officials promoting 'Walk at Lunch' day; Regional West earn Joint Commission Gold Seal of Approval, Heart/Stroke Assns' Heart-Check mark for Advanced Certification for Primary Stroke Centers; Kimball Health breaks ground on new multi-million dollar hospital project; SBPS continues free summer lunch program for kids; Rabies makes an appearance in Scotts Bluff County for the first time in three years; Narcan becomes available free to the public at the Regional West Community Pharmacy; Veterans suicide prevention highlighted by Governor; Theatre West shuts down performances for a week due to COVID; New report says rural hospitals face financial strain after pandemic relief funds expire;

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Public Safety	Newscasts	Jon Worthman appeal denied; Military Humvee loaded with munitions catches fire north of Kimball, no one injured but roadway closed completely for a week due to need for explosives retrieval; Scotts Bluff Co. Deputy injured when blackout due to low insulin causes one-vehicle crash, bystanders who helped rescue later honored; Nebraska roadway fatality trend first three months of year portends deadly 2022 if it continues; Tanker carrying diesel overturns east of Scottsbluff, spilling load and closing roadway; WNCC settles wrongful death claim for one of two students killed in aviation maintenance training mishap; Woman shot and killed on Avenue Z leads to large manhunt and the suspect is eventually tracked to Cheyenne, where he's killed brandishing a gun during an arrest attempt; Several fatal accidents take place on US 385 and L-62A near Angora Hill; Chadron man arrested in fatal stabbing; Fatal shooting in Rushville; Alliance Police introduces instant feedback for officer interactions; Deuel County Clerk arrested for theft; Broadway residents express concerns about speeding, noise on cruise nights;
Politics	Newscasts	Coverage of a candidate forum for the District 48 Race; Banner Co. Treasurer, Assessor get jail time for courthouse tryst, Treasurer resigns but both remain on the ballot; Governor trims \$52 million from budget with line-item vetoes, which get overridden by senators; Veto of bill to force acceptance of federal pandemic rental assistance upheld; Gering voters approve ½ cent sales tax increase for infrastructure; Scotts Bluff County drops Arbor Day from approved holidays, adds Juneteenth; May primary narrows fields in local and regional races; Donald Trump Jr. campaigns in Gering for Charles Herbster; One of three Scotts Bluff Co. Board members loses re-election bid; Medical Marijuana petition organizers go grassroots after losing two significant donors; Say Yes to Scottsbluff Aquatics begins push for LB357 sales tax increase with series of town halls; Conservative pols hail decision striking down Roe v. Wade;
Education	Newscasts	GHS social studies educator Kristian Schank named Claes Nobel Educator of Distinction; Scottsbluff and Gering Public Schools get \$155K early childhood grants from state education department; EWC rejects finalists for President's vacancy, then several weeks later names Jeffrey Hawes to post; Bill to require computer and tech education in elementary and middle schools advances; SHS students walk out to protest sexual harassment; WNCC listening tour concludes, work underway for new strategic plan to be completed in the fall; Students from Scottsbluff and Sidney named as National Merit Scholarship winners; Platte Valley Companies named Friend of SBPS; SHS theater students, 2022 play win honors; GHS Aviation Career Academy runs into 'turbulence' for students approaching need of solo flight time for pilot certification;
Business, Industry and the Economy	Newscasts	Scotts Bluff Co. Board fires Roads Superintendent; Scottsbluff honors long-time HR director Jana Bode; Local and state politicians raise alarms about rapidly rising fuel prices and impact on local, Nebraska economies and budgets; A turbine failure at Western Sugar shuts down factory for several days; Western Sleep Medicine ribbon cutting; Residential valuations rising across the county; USAF conducting town halls on upcoming missile upgrade project; Nebraska rated among the best in recovery from pandemic; Inflation to have an impact on proposed regional landfill; Sports card store opens in Gering; Panhandle Coop celebrates 80 years; WNRA rejects new bids for EAS, SkyWest later proposes charter air service for Scottsbluff, North Platte and 23 others in U.S. to be phased in Oct. 2022 – April 2023; Prime Metal Products receives \$1 million CDBG grant for expansion; Fiserv begins Nebraska grant program for minority-owned small businesses; Report says Nebraska losing taxpayers, residents due to tax system;