

KNEB-AM - Scottsbluff, NE

Quarterly Issues/Programs List
January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024

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: Monthly updates from Gering and Scottsbluff Public Schools Superintendents, the President of WNCC and the Program Manager at West Nebraska Arts Center; Medicare coverage planning with Nebraska SHIP; Updates from U.S. Sens. Deb Fischer and Pete Ricketts, and Congressman Adrian Smith; details on a Literacy Initiative, the American Board, fundraisers for Community Christian School, Rotary Gold, United Way of Western Nebraska; Updates on Eastern Wyoming College 75th Anniv. Events and new educational programs; Discussions pro and con regarding the EPIC Option Tax; Sen. Bob Evnen on the Voter ID requirements that start with the May Primary; Vietnam Vets Tell Your Story; Severe Weather Awareness Week.

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| Arts and Culture | Newscasts | Scotts Bluff Monument offering exhibit on Civilian Conservation Corps; new shows monthly at West Nebraska Arts Center including a Black History Celebration, student art, ; RDC zoo gets a surprise with birth of a Scottish Highland calf; Missoula Children’s Theater performs at the Midwest with 60+ local kids; 3 Redneck Tenors perform at the Midwest Theater; Local organizations receive grants from Nebraska Tourism; Midwest Theater Board decides to permanently close the SkyView Drive-In; NEXT Young Professionals make changes to Beer and Wine Fest; Annual Polar Plunge raises funds for Special Olympics; Entertainment lineup announced for Cattleman’s Ball in June; Gering begins making Hotel Occupancy Tax grants to events aimed at increasing use of local lodging; |
| Community | Newscasts | Scotts Bluff County Teammates program celebrates 25 years; Scotts Bluff Co. considers a comprehensive plan update; Inaugural Restaurant Week 21 held by tourism officials to boost area eateries; Tour de Nebraska registration underway; Radiothon held to raise funds for United Way of Western Nebraska; Scottsbluff-Gering Chamber honors Tony Kaufman, Becca Pierce and Megan Hayward; Smith critical of USPS reorganization plans; Bill Law honored by Torrington, Goshen County; Golden Halo Foundation holds annual casino night fundraiser; State of the art rec center project progressing in Scottsbluff; Panhandle Humane Society marks 50 years; Platte Valley Bank makes large donation kicking off drive for Morrill Co. Fairgrounds upgrades; Several Panhandle locations part of 2024 Nebraska Passport program; Carpenter Center gets new leadership; United Way campaign exceeds fundraising goal; Gering teen wins state Junior Duck Stamp competition; |
| Health | Newscasts | PPHD offering Wellness Recovery Planning; Panhandle child dies from pediatric flu; Gov. Pillen promotes healthy lifestyles with Wellness Walk; Regional West CEO Mel McNea holds town halls on changes at the hospital, including staffing, management and record-keeping; AARP supports caregiver tax credit bill; EWC Nursing program ranks highly; PPHD promotes brain health; State lawmakers advance prenatal plus program for at-risk, low income mothers; Regional West makes board of directors changes, hires new CFO; Kimball Health Services cuts ribbon on new hospital; RWHS marks Colon Cancer Awareness Week; UNMC, RWHS sign master agreement for more students to get clinical experience at Scottsbluff hospital; |

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| Public Safety | Newscasts | Scotts Bluff County Attorney’s office short on staff; Hilgers, Ricketts highlight human trafficking problems; Southwest Power Pool monitors winter storm impact on power supplies; New Police Chief selection in Alliance draws criticism; Man killed in Torrington hunting accident; Gering power study uncovers issues with electrical system; Scottsbluff and Gering Fire Departments report on their 2023 in review, and plans going forward; Kimball is adding a new K9 to their staff; Scottsbluff Police Capt. who resigned is charged with two counts of felony theft for cash, drugs; Gering man accused of felony child abuse in death of infant; Man charged in Sept. 2023 hostage standoff takes a plea deal; Alliance Fire gets new ISO rating, might help lower insurance rates in the city; |
| Politics | Newscasts | State Sens. Erdman and Hardin on the upcoming legislative session and their priorities; Recall petition effort against Crawford mayor fails, only to be resurrected months later and succeed, forcing either a resignation or recall election; Fischer, Ricketts and Smith declare for re-election; Hardin pushes for prohibition of foreign land ownership near ICBM fields; County Board issues six-month moratorium on new renewable energy projects; County, Airport Board discuss responsibility for insurance costs; Year-round daylight savings bill fails; Primary election filing deadline passes with no one interested in open seats for Morrill Public Schools; Sec. of State Evnen promotes Voter ID; |
| Education | Newscasts | EWC begins Archaeology/Anthropology program with a tourism component; Nebraska Growing Readers literacy initiative highlighted; Pre-K and Kindergarten registration underway at Scottsbluff, Gering and other school districts; WCCA Board of Governors gets new Chair, and vacancies declared with passing of some Board members; WNCC announces renovation, expansion of the Harms Center; Several schools in the region reporting significant funding shortfalls projected for the coming school year, and start taking steps to close budget gaps; Scottsbluff Board decides to fill in former pool in Splash building; GHS Speech team takes State Class B Championship; Study finds dual enrollment leads to more student success; |
| Business, Industry and the Economy | Newscasts | New minimum wage takes effect; Monthly economic reports from Creighton University and UNL showing a relatively stagnant NE economy through March; Solar field at Landers Soccer Complex repaired and operational; Box Butte Development Corp. Director stepping down; Terrytown boosts water rates; Panhandle Coop and Farmer’s Cooperative Elevator approve merger to become Legacy Cooperative; National retailers potentially coming into Uptown Scottsbluff mall; Gray Television sells Scottsbluff TV station, ends local newscasts; Gering Council discusses existing and proposed landfills; Company proposing large utility-scale solar project in southwest Scotts Bluff County hold open house with Q&A; New County Assessor appointed; Snowmelt forecast below average, but no allocation anticipated for area irrigators; Papa Moon expands in Scottsbluff; Family Dollar closes in Gering; Kansas City Missouri developer proposes duplex and quadplex development in Gering; Scottsbluff airport gets federal funding to pay for taxiway completion for cross-wind runway; |