

Wyoming Area News

A service of the Wyoming Lions Club

We also have the newsletter available on the <https://www.wyomingia.org> website. Under “Community” you can find the “Wyoming Lions Newsletter” tab.

even though your driver’s license expired you can still WALK through the Wyoming Fair parade. Start practicing now

Never too soon to mark your calendars:

- Roping at the Fairgrounds June 14th @ noon** - breakaway, tie down, team roping, and barrels – this is the real thing
- **Temple Hill Pork Barbeque Supper – Sunday, June 28th - 3:30 – 7:30 pm.** It doesn’t get any better than this.
- Wyoming Fair – July 10, 11, 12, 2026**

College Grads:

Chiara Dusanek – University of Iowa, daughter of Chad and Tara Dusanek
Kendra Eichhorn, Iowa State, daughter of Chris & Erin Eichhorn, degree in Genetics, Magna Cum Laude
Faith Hansen, Iowa State, daughter of Kraig & Dana Hansen, bachelor’s degree in Microbiology, will be pursuing a Masters
Kale Hansen, Upper Iowa University, son of Kraig & Dana Hansen, degree in Business Administration, Summa Com Laude, will be pursuing a Masters
Faith Hansen, recent Iowa State grad is studying bats at Jones County Central Park as part of her Master’s program. She recently did an evening program for the public at the Park.

Congratulations to Ben Kronlage on his selection to the Iowa High School Coaches’ Association Senior Showcase. Ben is a 2026 graduate of Washington, Iowa, high school and will be representing Washington on the East Team June 20th at 3:00 pm at Des Moines Menace Field. Ben is the son of Chad and Stephanie (Frankfurt) Kronlage of Washington and grandson of Rick and Julie Frankfurt of Canton, IA.

Flushing of water hydrants began in April. Hydrants will be flushed on the third Monday and Tuesday of every month, weather permitting. If you have a water softener, be sure to bypass it to avoid any problems.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, ERRORS, OMISSIONS, LATE SUBMISSIONS, or we just messed up
– some or all of the above.

Birthdays: Barb Johnson – June 14th Duane Mallicoat – June 24th Becky McAtee – June 29th
Luanne (Bahnsen) Heitshusen- 80th – May 31st - 2149 R Ave South, Amana, IA 52334

Anniversaries: Jim & Sandi (Smith) Achenbach – 50th

Food truck volunteers on Monday the 8th worked for 20 minutes in the driving rain to get everyone supplied. They were all soaked head to toe. Wet or dry, hot or cold, the pay is still the same – the appreciation of those you serve.

- **Open burning for yard waste only was March 15th through June 1st.** Next will be September 15th through December 1st. Fires must be attended and out by dark. Burning in any curb, gutter, culvert, or any paved or surfaced street or alley is prohibited.

-Senior Dining at Memorial Hall – 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month – Next will be June 17th.

Musings with Margs. Next gathering date to be announced. This is a relaxed group gathering to reflect on questions and musings of what God is up to in our lives. Drinking is not required and all are welcome, even just to listen in on the conversation.

-Coffee & Conversation – Tuesdays 9:00-10:30 at the Library and Fridays at WICKS from 8:30-10:30 am.

-Next HACAP food truck in Onslow, Monday, July 13th, 1:00-2:00 pm. Current pick-up date is 2nd Monday of the month. Volunteers are welcome.

REMEMBERING:

Doris Rita “Taco” Denniston, 76, Wyoming, passed away June 8, 2026. Full obituary may be seen at: www.dawsonfuneral.com/obituary/DorisTaco-Denniston

NEW KID ON THE BLOCK: none reported/*work on it* - *I thot we had one.*

Truth Be Known: Time is to love as wind is to fire.
It makes the small ones go away
and makes the big ones stronger

Humor is Where You Find It: Woke up with a brutal hangover
To the sound of my neighbor
Mowing the lawn. Thought
About getting up, then thought,
No, he can mow around me.

Looking Back: As always – keeps scrolling at the end!

Zion American Lutheran Church – Sunday Services at 10:30 am, continuing at that time through June 2026. Starting July 5th services will be at 8:30 am. Olin services will be at 10:30 am. Feel free to attend either service.

First Presbyterian Church – Onslow & Cascade - Sunday services will be at 9:30. Services for June will be at Cascade. July services will be at Onslow.

Wyoming Methodist Church: Sunday Services at **8:30 am.** Pastor Byron Miller. Food pantry Saturdays 9:30 am – 10:00 am.

Christ's Community Church, Monmouth – Sunday services at 9:00 am. Sunday school at 10:00 am. Youth Group – grades 6-12, Wednesday from 6-8 pm at the church. Women's Bible Study Mondays at 5:30 pm and Men's Bible Study Thursdays at 6:00 pm. For more information, please call 563-673-4131. Facebook at Christ's Community Church or website: Sites.google.com/view/christscommunitychurchia/home

Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Oxford Junction – Mass is at 10:30 am each Sunday and CCD classes are the First and Third Sundays of each month.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!! (We will run birthdays on the 4th Thursday of the month for the following month. Please get them to us early.)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!! (We will run anniversaries on the 4th Thursday of the month for the following month. Please get them to us early.)

RESERVATIONS:

Wyoming Fairgrounds – Steve Agnitsch – call or text 319-480-2883
Memorial Hall – Holly Lane – call 319-480-4566
Calkins Barn – call 563-488-8404

Wyoming Historical Museum Commission- call for a tour right now or later.

Jim Eichhorn	563-212-0013
Dick & Joyce Fishwild	563-488-3804
Pat	563-488-3123

You don't have to be a Wyoming resident to get the newsletter. Anyone can sign up at wyonews@netins.net. Submit items to this same address.

We need your stories, ideas, birthdays, anniversaries, honors, and accomplishments. We'll help you write or rewrite. We don't have a reporting staff to gather information, so you are our reporters. Please feel free to make a copy of this newsletter to share with your friends or neighbors who do not have email.

Looking Back for June 11, 2026

Midland Times: June 15, 2001 – Page 3

Calkins Square Update by Jerilyn Husmann

We have contracted Douglas Steinmetz, architect of Cedar Rapids, formerly of the New York area, to design a master plan for the complete project. He will head up the restoration project, starting the latter part of June.

The main project is putting on a new roof and fixing the house foundation. Approximately 20 plus trees will be taken down and others trimmed. A tractor and mower unit has been ordered. We have hired a person to mow the tall grass on the east lot, since our unit has not arrived yet.

The ultimate goal is to have a very fine museum to showcase Dr. Calkin's home and office as Mary Briggs requested.

Midland Times: June 11, 1976 – Page 1

COUNCIL PASSES ELDERLY GARBAGE ORDANANCE

The regular council meeting was held June 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Police Dept. . .

The next important matter acted upon was the elderly garbage ordinance and the applications for reduced rates. Now anyone over 62 years of age living alone with a yearly income less than \$2,500 qualifies for a reduced quarter rate. The council looked at 9 applications and approved 7 of them. . .

The council checked into water rates from 10 different cities approximately our size and found our rates were far too low. After discussion, new rates were arrived at and the clerk was informed to prepare an amended ordinance.

Midland Times: June 11, 1976 – Page 9

FLY YOUR FLAG

On June 14, 1777 a resolution was passed by the Continental Congress "that the Flag of the United States be thirteen stripes alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation." Today we observe this particular date as Flag Day. This bicentennial year all Americans are being encouraged to fly the flag from June 14 to July 4. Display your colors.

NOTE: Get out your American flag and fly it during National Flag Week June 14 – 20, 2026.

The Wyoming Journal: June 3, 1926 – Page 1

The Womanless Wedding Goes Over with a Scream.

Face powder and rouge, dainty gowns and gee-gaws of effeminacy, reinforcing the countenances of mere men, made them the deadliest rivals of the fair sex, as shown in the spectacular presentation of "The Womanless Wedding" staged at the opera house. . .

The huge wedding party entered [the] opera house in systematic order from the front entrance of the house and were screened from the audience by curtains. As the butler (C.C. Overly) announced the arrival of each guest, they proceeded to the stage set for the greatest

social event in the history of local affairs. As each of the actors, singly or in pairs, approached the stage, it was a signal for applause from the audience. The make-up from the flappers to the stately dames in gorgeous gowns, men in evening dress, or in the character costumes, was an absorbing sight and took the audience by storm.

The bride, Theodore Becker, in the wonderful attire of a typical bride was a knockout, and the mysterious groom, whose name had been withheld, was F. C. Fifield. They made a very charming looking couple. . .

One could go on through the cast and enumerate all the excellent representations, but time and space forbids. From the haughty butler (C.C. Overley) to the stately bishop (W.N. Brown) it was a knock out, and those who missed these two performances missed the biggest theatrical spectacular ever seen on Wyoming.

NOTE: F. C. Fifield was a 50 year old tin smith. There were vocal and instrumental music, jig dancing, impersonations, and skits. A total of 73 men were listed as the cast of the wedding.

The Wyoming Journal: June 1, 1876 – Page 3

- Street Commissioner, L V Brainard, is putting street work right through these days. He has a number of teams [of horses] and men employed drawing dirt upon Main street.
- George Fields has removed the paint off his saloon window, in compliance with the new law.
- A temperance lodge has been organized in Wyoming. They meet in the basement of the M. E. church.

NOTE: The temperance movement, which encouraged abstinence from the drinking of alcohol, was growing throughout the country at this time. By 1920 it had morphed into the outlawing of all alcohol except that dispensed by a pharmacist for medicinal reasons. Bars and saloons could no longer legally do business.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Midland Community School District Announces New Before & After School Program Partnership with Innovation Learning

The Midland Community School District announced the launch of Midland Elementary's 2026–2027 Before & After School Program in partnership with Innovation Learning.

Through this new partnership, Innovation Learning will provide before- and after-school care for Midland Elementary students, offering families flexible childcare options in a safe, engaging, and supportive environment. The program focuses on creative learning, caring relationships, and resilience-focused skill building designed to spark joy, confidence, and growth while turning extra time into opportunity.

"We are excited to partner with Innovation Learning to expand before- and after-school opportunities for families in our area," said Midland Elementary Principal **Deanna Martens**. "This program will provide students with a positive and enriching environment while offering families the flexibility and support they need."

Families may choose before-school care, after-school care, or a combination of both for 1 to 5 days per week based on their individual needs. The program also offers a variety of discounts, including reduced rates for multiple siblings enrolled, district students and employees, military families, Innovation Learning employees, and families who qualify for free or reduced-price lunch.

This program will launch on the first day of school, August 24, 2026, with information sessions happening over Zoom in both June and July. Families are encouraged to learn more and get registered at www.midland.k12.ia.us/BASP.