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AREA NEWS

Ada News

Recently, the schools in Minneapolis had parent/teacher conferences. These were good times for the kids - but extra work for the teachers.

Saturday, February 28, family and friends of Gary Sechrist gathered at the Baptist Church for his funeral. Following the service, everyone gathered at the Community Building for lunch. There were lots of wonderful, happy stories and memories shared about Gary and his family. We will all miss him.

Tuesday, March 3, the Ada Senior Citizens met at the Community Building for coffee, donuts, and a business meeting.

Tuesday, Rosie Prochaska traveled to McPherson to visit their son Seth and Marianne Prochaska's family. Rosie was happy to spend the day with granddaughters Gwen and Ziva.

St. Patrick's Day is coming soon - Tuesday, March 17. Be sure to put it on your calendar - and also plan on wearing some green that day.

We had a bit of welcome rain but may not have more in the coming days. We can expect some days with temperatures in the 70s. Sounds like spring and summer aren't far away.

If you would like to submit Ada News, please send it to adanews2022@gmail.com.

Wells News

By Donna Adee

This very warm spring weather has brought the "naked ladies" out at the Adee farm. We can have snow in April and even more cold so these early spring plants better slow down. The peonies do need some fertilizer in the early spring so Donna Adee put some (Epsom salts=magnesium), lime and bone meal in water to pour over them.

The Kansas Country Living March magazine came out with a list of 10 Kansas Women who made their mark for Women's History month. One of those women was Martina McBride born in 1966 in Sharon, Kansas. That is the town where Donna Adee started grade school; it is near Medicine Lodge. Donna had never heard that Martina was from Sharon. Martina is a country music star and actress. Her powerhouse voice and chart topping hits have made her one of the genre's most celebrated vocalists according to the article. Martina was born Martina Schiff and with her father's encouragement started singing with her brothers playing the music. She met John McBride in Wichita and they were married in 1988 and moved to Nashville. They have three daughters and after they were born Martina would only take tours on holidays and summers to be present for her daughters. She is making tours now that the daughters are mostly grown. She is still married to John and chose to be there for her daughters. That's the kind of gal Donna admires from southern Kansas.

Taking out Iran's nuclear power and their missiles is making good progress by both Israel and USA pilots. Israel is not being attacked with missiles as often, however Iran is sending them to other Muslim nations. Since 1979 Iran has been preparing to attack Israel, "The Little Satan" and America, "The Big Satan." In the USA

there are many sleeper cells of Muslims, who hate America. Two new mosques are going up in Texas every week. Their goal is to take control of Texas and Florida and then they predict that all America will topple!

News from the Good Old Days: March 23, 1939 Minneapolis Messenger Started to See the Fair on 35 cents

Two Missouri boys learned that after all, home is a good place to stay. They were 12 and 14 years old and decided to leave Grand Valley, Missouri and travel to San Francisco in a pickup belonging to the father of one boy. They had 35 cents. They stopped for gas in Topeka and drove off without paying. They arrived in Minneapolis after dark and being just about out of gas, they parked the pickup on a back street and noticed that Ralph Fuller's 1937 Ford was parked near the Free Methodist church with the keys in the ignition so they just jumped in and headed north on the 81 highway. The Fullers came out of church to find their car gone and immediately reported it to Sheriff Hunt. He found the pickup belonging to the father so he sent telegrams and warnings were broadcast.

The boys decided to come back and got on the wrong road but by morning were a few miles from Minneapolis when they ran out of both gasoline and oil. So they hitchhiked into town and found their pickup at the sheriff's office by the jail. They reported that it had been stolen. He got the whole story and called the father who came to get them and talked to Judge Lancaster. Since they were not bad youngsters and were only looking for adventure, the father settled with Ralph Fuller for damage to his car from running low on oil. The boys were sent home and put under supervision.

Wells News for April 6, 1939

Mrs. Blanche Todd of Bellingham, Washington was a supper guest Saturday evening of Mr. & Mrs. Phin Comfort.

Miss Macy attended the Messiah at Lindsborg Sunday

Mr. & Mrs. Forest Hanes, Mr. Tom, Roy and Ethel Yonally were dinner guests Sunday of their sister, Mrs. Henry Bartlett and family of Longford.

Mrs. George Comfort is having serious trouble with her ear as an after effect of the flu.

We are receiving some nice rain Monday. We're hoping April has as much moisture as in March.

Wells School News: The presentation of the operetta was well received Friday evening.

Union 2 took 1st place in both track meet and scholastics at the district meet Saturday, The county track meet on April 6.

Rex Head had the misfortune to cut his wrist badly Saturday afternoon.

Back page article: Wells School Won the District Meet Here. Union 2, the Wells school, which is a unit in itself in the rural school activity program this year, is the top winner of the Minneapolis division of the county up to the present time. They ranked highest in spelling, English, social studies, reading and arithmetic.

Bible Verse: Psalms 34:7-8
The angel of the LORD encamps all around those who fear Him, and delivers them. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who trusts in Him!

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OTTAWA COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of Marilyn Sorenson

Case No. OT-2024-PR-000029

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified a Petition has been filed in this Court by Jason Thayer, duty appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of Marilyn Sorenson, deceased, requesting that Petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled to it pursuant to the laws of intestate succession; fees and expenses be allowed; costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; the Administrator be discharged and Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before March 31, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in the District Court, Minneapolis, Ottawa County, Kansas at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.
/s/ Jason Thayer
Administrator

Respectfully Submitted,

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The Golden Wheel

The surprises keep coming! In April we will be introducing a new activity at the Golden Wheel. Joan Miles will be teaching a calligraphy class every Monday at 10:30! Follow our Facebook page for up to date information.

- 03/12: 1:00 Board Meeting
- 03/18: 10:00 Exercise with Pat
- 03/20: 11:00 BP check with Matt

- 03/20: 1:00 Game Day
- 03/25: 10:00 Exercise with Pat
- 03/30: 10:00 BP check with Nikki

MENU:

- 03/13: Chicken Strip or Fish
- 03/16: Chicken Teriyaki
- 03/17: Corned Beef
- 03/18: BBQ Meatballs
- 03/19: Western Bean Bake
- 03/20: Pork Chop or Fish

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public notice is hereby given that Matthew Atkinson is requesting zoning change at 522 E 4th St from a R2-Single Family to a R5-Multi Family.

That said Planning Commission will hold a hearing on the 7th day of April, 2026 at 12:00 o'clock, noon of said day, in the office of the City Clerk of said City, and all persons interested therein may present their views on the matter.

Dated at Minneapolis, Kansas, this 12th day of March, 2026.

Mark Smith
City of Minneapolis Planning & Zoning

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Legal Notice

Notice of Annual Meeting

The 65th annual meeting of the Salt Creek Watershed Jt. Dist. #46 will be held at the Salt Creek Watershed #46 District office in Barnard, Kansas, on Tuesday March 17th, 2026 at 7:00 P.M. We welcome all Salt Creek residents and other interested parties to the meeting.

Arlen Bacon, President
Steve Simmons, Secretary

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