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See next week's issue for more Fourth of July celebration pictures; as well as stories on a local family who has been impacted by COVID-19, Sunset Cemetery rules, N-K sports and the ongoing wind ordinance process.

Cattlemen picnic set for July 13

The Worth County Cattlemen will hold their annual picnic this Tuesday, July 13, at the Worth County fairgrounds.

The menu will include a rib eye and sweet corn. The cost is $25, for dine or carry out.

The meal will be available starting at 6 p.m.

Joice hosts grand opening July 17

The community of Joice will host a grand opening for its new library and community center on Saturday, July 17.

In September 2018, a fire claimed the city's previous library and community facilities. Since then the community has been working to raise funds and build new facilities, which have been open since earlier this year.

The grand opening will take place from 1-5 p.m. on July 17, with tours starting at the library at 102 North State Street, continuing at the community center at 106 Main Street.

A short program will be held at 3 p.m. at the community center.



The Week's WEATHER

by National Weather Service Observer John Podgorniak

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Tues. June 29	84	66	0.49
Wed. June 30	85	63	
Thurs. July 1	85	60	
Fri. July 2	79	62	
Sat. July 3	90	67	
Sun. July 4	92	69	
Mon. July 5	94	68	



Northwood namesakes

The Fourth of July one again included the crowning of Northwood's young namesakes, along with recognition of noteworthy citzens. Pictured are (from left) Lil' Mr. Northwood Kase Bachtle, Junior Mr. Northwood Aiden Moretz, Mr. Northwood Ryder Lestrud, Miss Northwood Jesslyn Sims, Junior Miss Northwood Kyle Buehrer and Lil' Miss Northwood Avery LaRue. Meals on Wheels organizers were recognized as citizens of the year for their efforts to keep the service going during the pandemic. Also mentioned were the numerous drivers who stepped up to help.

50th Grafton Turkey Day event returns July 16-18

The community of Grafton will host the return of its annual summer celebration with the 50th annual Grafton Turkey Day set for July 16-18.

The community called off the annual event in 2020 and is now ready to return for a milestone celebration in 2021.

The events begin on Friday, July 16, with a softball tournament.

A beer garden and beer pong tournament open on Friday at 7 p.m.

Music by TMW Tunes starts at 8 p.m.

The meal that evening will include smoked or grilled turkey sandwiches.

Saturday's events kick off with a co-ed sand volleyball tournament at 8 a.m.

Also starting at 8 a.m. is a 5K Run/Walk.

Inflatables will be available from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Grafton Turkey Days parade begins at 11 a.m.

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Northwood-Kensett COVID relief funds hearing set for tomorrow

A requirement for the latest round of COVID-19 assistance is for school districts to show how they will spend the latest round of those funds, with public hearings. N-K will hold its hearing during the July 8 regular board of education meeting.

The funds are a part of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act, those distributed through the third round of the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund, referred to as ESSER III.

Of the just over $165 billion dollars going towards ESSER III nationwide, Iowa's schools are set to

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Council continues discussion of possibilities and perils of student transit

The possibilities and problems inherent with a return to student riders on the city's transit system were discussed at the June 28 meeting of the Northwood city council.

Earlier this year, the council made the decision that the City would not resume offering transit services to transport children to Northwood-Kensett, particularly from daycares to preschool.

The City had offered student transportation in years past, but suspended the option during the pandemic, due to distancing, sanitation and other concerns.

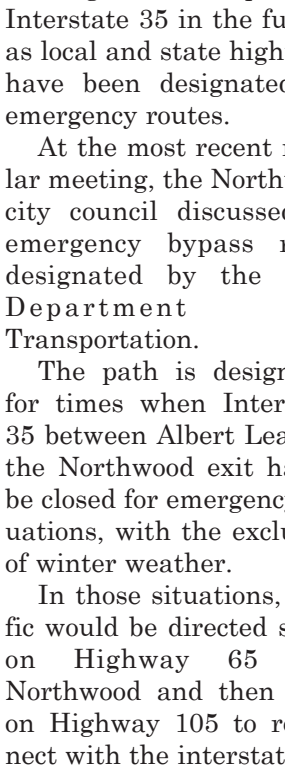
Daycare providers came to a meeting to ask the council to reconsider their decision.

The council and some of the daycare providers then brought the issue to the Northwood-Kensett school board.

Since then, City and School representatives have been meeting to discuss any options to work to safely transport students living in the city to classes.

One of the bigger stumbling blocks for the City has been a lack of interest in

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I35 emergency route designated in Northwood

Northwood residents and visitors may notice some new signs on their paths to Interstate 35 in the future, as local and state highways have been designated for emergency routes.

At the most recent regular meeting, the Northwood city council discussed an emergency bypass route designated by the Iowa Department of Transportation.

The path is designated for times when Interstate 35 between Albert Lea and the Northwood exit has to be closed for emergency situations, with the exclusion of winter weather.

In those situations, traffic would be directed south on Highway 65 into Northwood and then west on Highway 105 to reconnect with the interstate.

The route is expected to be in place for short durations, until the interstate emergency ends and the road reopens.

For the City, the DOT had sought approval for the signs that will be placed on the route in Northwood.



The good book and good company

Iowa's 99 county Bible Reading Marathon has become an annual tradition in the week leading up to the Fourth of July. Over the course of the past week, groups, individuals and pairs like the readers seen here, have been spending time at a various spots around the Worth County courthouse, reading sections of the Bible during the local part of the marathon.

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part time positions for city transit drivers, and concern that existing drivers would not remain if asked to assume the daunting schedules of getting dozens of children to school throughout the day.

The City recently advertised for people interested in being hired as part time drivers dedicated to student transport and had three applicants, according to city administrator Amber Julseth.

However, of those that showed interest, one is a current driver and one is a substitute driver.

With potential drivers, the City next would need a second bus to accommodate the overlapping schedules of students and the seniors that are the regular users of the transit service.

Julseth shared that she had contacted NIACOG, the agency that oversees transit services throughout North Iowa. She said they would provide another bus for the city to use.

The cost to operate the second bus, according to Julseth would be roughly $3,500 per month, which includes the cost of the driver and operating and maintenance expenses through NIACOG.

School officials have indicated they may be able to offer financial assistance.

When asked if the school's ability to share in the monthly expense would affect their decision to offer the service, two council members said it may.

With two of the basic operational stumbling blocks addressed, council member Teresa George-Zenz said that she thought the City had to at least try to offer transit to young people. George-Zenz said that, if they try and fail, then they know it's just not possible.

George-Zenz added a few stipulations that would have to be made clear before any students used the transit service. First is that if the busy schedules that had been in place with student riders in the past resumed, the buses would have no extra time to wait at a stop. They would have to leave behind any student that was not ready when scheduled.

Any daycare provider or parent would also have to be sure to have tickets purchased in advance, as drivers may not have time to sell tickets or make accommodations.

With a second bus designated for student use, council member Dan Reeder added that if the student bus became full, the first bus should still give first priority to senior and other riders, then accommodate students, if time allows.

Council member Russ Meyer said that he felt that offering a public transit meant that they couldn't exclude one group.

Council members did acknowledge one potential downfall inherent in offering transit to all riders. They said, if the City did operate transit as a service to all, they can't deny it to anyone that wants a ride and buys a ticket.

With that in mind, Council members worried that if they add student transit and the system fails, it may mean the end of any transit service in the city.

The council tabled action awaiting more information and discussion with school officials.



Making a meal of it

Members of the Worth County Cattlemen are pictured above in preparation for the meal they served at the Worth County Fair on Sunday, June 23. The Cattlemen will be back at again at the fairgrounds this Tuesday, July 13, for their annual picnic. They'll be serving a meal that includes a rib eye and sweet corn, starting at 6 p.m.

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receive $77,451,622.

Of the State's total money, the Northwood-Kensett district would receive $627,054.

Under the requirements of the ARP, districts had to reserve at least 20% to address learning loss impacts of the pandemic.

At N-K, a total of $125,411 was set aside, with funds used to pay for the costs of summer school in the current and next two school years, at a total of $16,027.15. The remainder of the funds will go towards the salary of a half time reading specialist over the current and coming school years, at a total cost of $109,372.36.

Other uses of funds can address a wide variety of school needs.

At N-K, that includes $260,323.45 towards computers and connectivity technology in the current school year and $20,000 in each of the next two years, for a total of $280,323.45.

The district's ESSER III plans called for $110,000 in cleaning supplies in the coming three school years.

The district plan called for $25,000 in the current and next school year and $20,000 in the 2023-2024 school year for social and emotional programs.

The final $21,319.55 was set aside for unexpected qualifying items.

A public hearing to discuss the district's ESSER III funding plans was set for tomorrow, July 8, at 7 p.m. during the regular board meeting in the secondary campus media center.

Local numbers remain low as State data frequency set to slow

Since early in the pandemic, the Northwood Anchor has provided updates on COVID-19 statistics on a nearly weekly basis. That will soon change as the State of Iowa plans to end daily updates due to lowering numbers of COVID cases.

Since early in the pandemic, statistics on the State's coronavirus.iowa.gov's website have been updated daily, if not more frequently. As of July 7, the information will be updated every Wednesday.

The Anchor will continue to include the information, and highlight any milestones, but on a less frequent basis, as long as the numbers remain low.

And those numbers did remain low on July 1, with more and more living in Worth County and the area continuing to be vaccinated.

New cases remain in the single digits while rates remain at or below 1%.

In the 11 days between June 21 and July 1, there were three new cases of COVID-19 reported in Worth County, bringing the new total to 807. That makes a 7 day rate of 0.9% on July 1, down from the rate on June 21 of 2.7%

The COVID cases remain low in the 14-day rate, which is notable as the time in which people may develop symptoms or spread the virus. As of June 21, the 14-day rate was 1.9%. On July 1, the rate had decreased to 1.0%.

In the eight county area that includes Worth and surrounding counties, there have been a total of 21,364 confirmed cases, as of July 1, up 48 from June 21. Cases in neighboring counties included 1,563 in Winnebago, 1,604 in Hancock, 6,005 in Cerro Gordo, 1,818 in Floyd and 1,378 in Mitchell counties in Iowa, and 3,475 in Freeborn and 4,714 in Mower in Minnesota.

In the eight county area, there have been 321 deaths to COVID-19, including 8 in Worth County. That number was up 2 between June 21 and July 1.

According to the CDC, as of July 1, 3,011 residents of Worth County have been fully vaccinated, for 40.8% of the total population.

Of that, 1,237 of those 65 and over, the first age group that could receive the vaccine, are fully vaccinated. That makes 80.1% of that population. Of those that have locally been able to receive the vaccine since early April, those 18 and over, 2,957 have been fully vaccinated, for 50.5% of that population.

Those ages 12-15 have been eligible for the vaccine for over 6 weeks, bringing them into the range of being fully vaccinated. In Worth County, the percentage of those over age 12 that are ully vaccinated is 47.2%.

The CDC data shows that Worth aligns similarly to neighboring counties, in terms of the percentage of those eligible, those 12 and over, that have been vaccinated, with 49.5% in Winnebago County, 46% in Hancock County, 57.2% in Cerro Gordo County, 49.2% in Floyd County, 45.8% in Mitchell County, 52.5% in Freeborn County and 57.1% in Mower County.

Across the region, 45.4% of the total population has been vaccinated.

According to the Iowa Department of Public Health, of those that have received a vaccine, 125 people in Worth have received a first dose, 2,803 have received both doses of a two dose vaccine and 177 have received a dose of a one shot vaccine. That makes a total of 3,105 Worth residents that have received at least one dose, for 42.1% of the county's population. That is up 33 between June 21 and July 1.

Information and resources on COVID-19 in Iowa can be found online at coronavirus.iowa.gov.

Information on vaccination in Iowa can be found online at vaccinate.iowa.gov.

Local information can be found at Worth County Public Health's Facebook page. Those that would like to be vaccinated locally can also call 641-324-1741.

Help counting turkeys sought

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is looking for help with its annual wild turkey production survey. During the months of July and August wild turkey sightings are recorded to estimate this year's nesting rates and nest success.

Participation is easy – just note the date and county in which the turkey was seen, if it was an adult female or adult male – males have beards on their breast – and if and how many poults (baby turkeys) were present. There is a link to the online survey and field survey card at http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/2115256/iowawildturkeyreports for those willing to help.

Each year the DNR mails survey cards to select turkey hunters who are asked to provide production information on turkeys they seen. If you did not receive a survey card, you are still encouraged to report turkey sightings using the Iowa DNR webpage link.

Annual population surveys conducted by the DNR are an important component of managing the wild turkey. Turkey populations can fluctuate annually across all regions of the state. All participation is appreciated.

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The Turkey Day namesake meals continue after the parade, with smoked or grilled turkey sandwiches.

A raffle also starts after the parade.

Kids games will be available from 1-3 p.m.

The evening's entertainment will include a street dance, with the band Bad Habits, from 8 p.m. to midnight.

On Sunday, the softball tournament finals will be held.

At 10 a.m. a day after bike ride will be held.

A Bloody Mary contest starts at 1 p.m. in the beer garden.

A bean bag tournament starts at 1:30 p.m.

A trivia contest will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, July 18.

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Only 12% of Iowa nursing homes meet vaccine standard

By Clark Kauffman
Iowa Capital Dispatch
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Only 50 of Iowa's 409 nursing homes are reporting that three-quarters or more of their workers have been vaccinated against COVID-19, newly disclosed records show.

That means 88% of Iowa's nursing homes have yet to meet the industry's stated standard of having at least three-fourths of their workforce vaccinated against the virus.

Earlier this month, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services began publishing COVID-19 vaccination data from individual nursing homes on its COVID-19 Nursing Home Data website.

Since May 21, nursing homes throughout the country have been required by CMS to submit vaccination data for both staff and residents. When data from only those homes that have complied is considered and compared to data from all 50 states, Iowa has the 21st highest rate of staff vaccinations, at 59%.

The states with the highest reported rate of overall staff vaccination are Hawaii, Vermont, Arkansas and California, with rates ranging from 75% to 82%. The states with the lowest reported rates are Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Florida, with rates ranging from 43% to 41%.

Although Iowa's state public health officials have said they've never collected data on the staff vaccination rates in privately run nursing homes, the federal government is now collecting that information and is reporting it to the public.

According to the latest CMS data, only the same four states with the highest rates, along with Puerto Rico, have reached the industry's goal of having 75% of their nursing home workforce vaccinated.

CMS has said it is now enforcing the vaccination reporting requirement, and will be imposing fines against homes to fail to comply.

Editor's note: The CMS data shows the following data, as of June 20, for local nursing facilities located in Worth County:

At the Lutheran Retirement Home in Northwood, 65.3% of staff are fully vaccinated. Out of residents, 97.1% are fully vaccinated.

At Manly Specialty Care, 57.1% of staff are fully vaccinated and 61.9% are at least partially vaccinated. Of the residents, 94.6% are vaccinated.

Deputy Editor Clark Kauffman has worked during the past 30 years as both an investigative reporter and editorial writer at two of Iowa's largest newspapers, the Des Moines Register and the Quad-City Times. He has won numerous state and national awards for reporting and editorial writing. From October 2018 through November 2019, Kauffman was an assistant ombudsman for the Iowa Office of Ombudsman, an agency that investigates citizens' complaints of wrongdoing within state and local government agencies.



People in the photo (from right) Zack Smith, Candi Karsjens, Nate Julseth, Tim Putnam

North Iowa entrepreneurs take home wins from 2021 Venture School Pitch Competition

Two of North Iowa's entrepreneurs took home wins from the 2021 University of Iowa's statewide Venture School pitch competition, which was held on Thursday, June 10. The competition was held during EntreFest, a two-day entrepreneurial conference held in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Zack Smith of Stock Cropper Inc. won the first-place prize of $10,000. Nate Julseth of Nate's Powder Coating took home the runner up prize of $3,000. Both are graduates of the Venture School program held by the NIACC John Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center. The NIACC Pappajohn Center Venture School class is led by Candi Karsjens, Director of Innovation and Acceleration at the Pappajohn Center and certified NSF iCorps instructor.

Zack Smith, the co-founder of Stock Cropper Inc., participated in the Fall 2020 seven-week NIACC Venture School and took what he learned to the statewide pitch competition to win the first-place prize of $10,000.

Smith plans on using the $10,000 to pay for the construction cost on the new series of barns that he is building on his farm in Buffalo Center.

While the $10,000 is a great reward, Smith said that it's "just a small step" in the ongoing growth of his business and that he hopes this recent success will only bring in more interest from investors in Stock Cropper Inc.

While Smith went on to win, he described the process it took to do so as difficult.

One of the runner-ups was also a participant of the NIACC Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center's seven-week-long Venture School program. Nate Julseth, the owner of Nate's Powder Coating and a resident of Northwood, took home runner-up and $3,000 for his pitch on Thursday night. Nate also participated in Venture School with the Spring 2021 cohort, taking home first place in the regional pitch competition before moving on to the state-wide event. Nate's Powder Coating offers powder coating, mobile sand and media blasting and onsite painting.

It was a proud evening for Tim Putnam, the director of the NIACC Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center.

"This really shows the progression our center is making with startups," Putnam said. "This is the second year in a row that we've won the statewide venture pitch competition."

Jayson Ryner, the founder of ReEnvision Ag and the director of choral activities at NIACC, was the previous winner of the University of Iowa's statewide Venture School pitch competition in 2020. Ryner also completed NIACC's Venture School program in 2019.

The Venture School program offers National Science Foundation I-Corps programming; NSF I-Corps programming is a valuable resource for businesses seeking federal grants for technology-based business innovations.

The NIACC John Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center is the expert in rural business innovation and success. In partnership with North Iowa's Small Business Development Center, together we provide tools, support, and resources to Iowa's entrepreneurs. We counsel both new and existing local businesses, from Main Street to industry leaders. We're growing Iowa's entrepreneurial culture through grade school initiatives, college and community programs, and business training and development. Contact the NIACC Pappajohn Center at 641-422-4111 or pappajohn@niacc.edu.

Fifth annual Flippin Flamingo Cancer Awareness Golf Tournament held July 17

The fifth annual Flippin Flamingo Cancer Awareness Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, July 17, with a 9 a.m. shotgun start.

A sign-up sheet is at the Northwood Country Club or by calling the club at 641-324-1662. A $150 entry fee per 3-person team includes a sack lunch.

Raffle prizes have been donated as well as hole prizes. Raffle tickets are available from any committee member. There will be a prize for the best team "costume." Flippin' Flamingo T-shirts are also available and cost $20. This year's design is charcoal gray with pink lettering. Shirts may be ordered by contacting Wendy Weisert via the Facebook Flippin Flamingo page before July 8.

Last year's proceeds were split and donated to eight area families undergoing cancer treatments as well as the Worth County Relay For Life. In the four years this tournament has been held, monetary donations have gone to 21 cancer warriors.

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USDA reminds Iowa producers to file crop acreage reports

Agricultural producers in Iowa who have not yet completed their crop acreage reports after planting should make an appointment with their U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) office before the applicable deadline.

"Many USDA programs require producers to file an accurate crop acreage report by the applicable deadline," said Robert Wegand, Acting State Executive Director in Iowa. "Our FSA staff can assist producers in completing acreage reports, including providing maps."

An acreage report documents a crop grown on a farm or ranch and its intended uses. Filing an accurate and timely acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planted acreage, can prevent the loss of benefits.

The following acreage reporting dates are applicable in Iowa:

July 15, 2021 All crops and forage seeding

December 15, 2021 Perennial Forage, Fall-Seeded Small Grains

Acreage reporting dates vary by crop and by county. Contact your local FSA office for a list of acreage reporting deadlines by crop.

Service Center staff continue to work with agricultural producers via phone, email and other digital tools. Because of the pandemic, some USDA Service Centers are open to limited visitors. Contact your Service Center to set up an in-person or phone appointment.

To file a crop acreage report, you will need to provide:

• Crop and crop type or variety.

• Intended use of the crop.

• Number of acres of the crop.

• Map with approximate boundaries for the crop.

• Planting date(s).

• Planting pattern, when applicable.

• Producer shares.

• Irrigation practice(s).

Acreage prevented from planting, when applicable.

• Other information as required.

• Acreage Reporting Details

The following exceptions apply to acreage reporting dates:

If the crop has not been planted by the acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 15 calendar days after planting is completed.

If a producer acquires additional acreage after the acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 30 calendar days after purchase or acquiring the lease. Appropriate documentation must be provided to the county office.

Producers should also report crop acreage they intended to plant, but due to natural disaster, were unable to plant. Prevented planting acreage must be reported on form CCC-576, Notice of Loss, no later than 15 calendar days after the final planting date as established by FSA and USDA's Risk Management Agency.

Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) policy holders should note that the acreage reporting date for NAP-covered crops is the earlier of the dates listed above or 15 calendar days before grazing or harvesting of the crop begins.

For questions, please contact your local FSA office. To locate your local FSA office visit farmers.gov/service-center-locator.



Activity at the future activity center

Construction continues on the Vikings Activity Center at the Northwood-Kensett Secondary campus. As the weeks have progressed since ground was broken on the project, the founation is in place and the frame of the building has started to take shape. The current timeline for the project would have the exterior in place before winter the activity center is currently set to open in 2022.

Mayo Clinic Health System to move COVID-19 testing to main clinic locations

Mayo Clinic Health System – Albert Lea and Austin has moved COVID-19 testing to its main campuses due to reduced viral activity and demand for testing in the region. The off-site testing sites on St Mary Ave., Albert Lea, and 14th St. NW, Austin, have closed.

All COVID-19 tests scheduled will take place at the Same Day Clinic locations on the main Albert Lea and Austin campuses:

Albert Lea: 404 W. Fountain St, Fourth floor

Austin: 1000 First Drive NW, Second floor

"The off-site testing and vaccination sites were necessary when we had a large number of people needing those services and we were still learning how COVID-19 is transmitted," says Jennifer Horn, M.D., chair of clinical practice, Southeast Minnesota Region, Mayo Clinic Health System. "Now, thanks to the COVID-19 vaccine, we are seeing sustained low positivity rates in our communities and very few people need testing. We also know that, by continuing to require masking and our other COVID-19 safety protocols in our clinics, we can offer everything under the same roof safely. Patients will have improved access without any risk to our staff, patients and visitors."

Appointments will continue to be required for all COVID-19 testing. Patients can call the clinic's appointment line to schedule a COVID-19 test. Patients with symptoms who are not sure if they need a test can continue to call the Mayo Clinic COVID-19 Nurse Line at 507-293-9525 or use the Check Symptoms tool on Patient Online Services.

If a test is needed, patients will be prompted to schedule one. Once an appointment is scheduled, patients will go to the Same Day Clinic locations in Albert Lea and Austin at the scheduled time to check-in for their testing appointments.

All patients and visitors are required to wear masks and practice social distancing inside Mayo Clinic facilities to ensure the safety of all staff, patients and visitors. Visit mayoclinichealthsystem.org for additional safety information and visitor restrictions.

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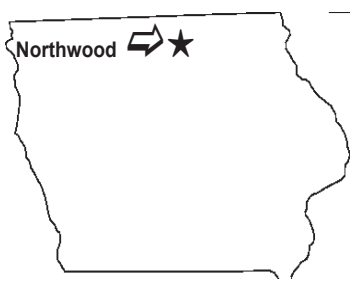
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Cook Bookin'

We may live without poetry, music and art; We may live without conscience and live without heart; We may live without friends; we may live without books; But a civilized man cannot live without cooks.
Bulwer Lytton, Edward Robert



by Sandy Olson

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I'm sure those who love grilling have already done a lot of it them spring. There are people who love to cook over charcoal, some who like live wood fires and others who smoke their meat and veggies until they are beautifully flavored. But, nothing is as quick and clean and handy as a gas grill. I agree that the end flavor doesn't come from the fuel as it does with other cooking methods; it comes from seasonings, marinades and sauces applied after cooking. But, no matter, the gas grill is here to stay. "Better Homes and Gardens Gas Grill" Cookbook (2000, Meredith Publishing Group, Des Moines) takes the cook through all the steps, ideas and recipes created expressly for the gas grill. The following have been adapted/updated for our 21st century outdoor chefs.

Garlic Barbequed Steaks

2 boneless beef top loin or ribeye steaks, cut 1-inch thick. 1 1/2 pounds total
2 large cloves fresh garlic, peeled and thinly sliced
1 tablespoon olive oil
Kosher salt/freshly ground black pepper to taste
Sauce:
3/4 cup of your favorite bottled barbecue sauce, mild or spicy
1 tablespoon EACH yellow mustard, cider vinegar, brown sugar.
1 teaspoon dried thyme, crushed in your hand to release oils

Trim the steaks of edge fat. Make small slits in the steaks and insert a slice of garlic in each. Rub the steaks with the olive oil and season with salt and pepper. Let them stand for 15 minutes before grilling. Make the sauce by combining all the ingredients; set aside. Preheat the gas grill for 10 minutes on high. Reduce the heat to medium and place the steaks on the grill directly over the heat. Close the grill lid and grill until the steaks are the desired doneness, turning and brushing once with the sauce halfway into the grilling time. Total grilling time will be about 14-18 minutes for medium rare OR 18-22 minutes for medium. After brushing the steaks at the halfway point, put the remaining sauce into a small saucepan and bring to boiling. Gently boil, uncovered, for a 1 minute. When ready to serve, halve the steaks and pass the sauce at the table. Makes 4 servings.

Greek Chicken Thighs (one day prep needed)

8 bone-in chicken thighs, about 2 1/2 pounds total weight
1/2 cup crumbled Feta cheese
Marinade:
1/4 cup dry red wine
2 tablespoons olive oil
2 tablespoons finely chopped red onion
1 teaspoon EACH finely shredded lemon peel, snipped fresh rosemary and snipped fresh oregano. SANDY'S NOTE: if you can't find these fresh herbs, you can substitute dried but only 1/2 teaspoon each.
1 clove garlic, minced
1/4 teaspoon EACH kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

Mix the marinade ingredients together, blending well. Remove skin from the chicken and place in a plastic zipper-top bag. Pour in the marinade, seal the bag and refrigerate for at least 4 hours (or overnight), turning the bag occasionally. Drain the chicken but reserve the marinade. Preheat the gas grill on high for 10 minutes. Reduce the heat to medium and place the chicken directly over the heat. Close the grill cover and cook for 35 minutes or until the chicken is tender and no longer pink. Internal temperature should be 175 degrees F. At the halfway cooking point, about 15 minutes, turn the chicken and brush with marinade. When completely cooked, remove from the grill to a large tray. Sprinkle with the Feta cheese and cover loosely with foil. Let stand for 2 minutes before serving.

Blue Cheese and Garlic Stuffed Burgers

1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese
1/4 cup snipped fresh basil
1 clove garlic, finely minced
1 1/4 pounds 85% lean ground beef

In a small bowl, combine the bleu cheese, basil and garlic. Divide into four portions and make a disc of each. Shape the ground beef into 8 1/4-inch thick patties. Place a cheese disc on four of them and top with the other four. Press the edges to seal and sprinkle with ground black pepper. A bit of salt can be added but the cheese is quite salty itself. Preheat the gas grill on high for 10 minutes and then reduce to medium. Place the burgers directly over the heat, close the grill and cook for 8 minutes. Carefully flip them over and cook for another 8 minutes. Serve on hard crusty Kaiser rolls with lettuce, tomato and onion, if desired.

Summer entertaining often involves using a grill. The gas grill makes it pretty painless and gets the job done more quickly than other methods. Just add a potato salad, some cole slaw and dinner is served! And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society





Gaining experience and exercise

The Northwood Swimming Pool has been a busy destination in recent mornings, with people of all ages taking advantage of programs offered before the pool officially opens. Pictured at top are the members of the swim aerobics class at the pool, getting in their aqatic exercise. Pictured below are beginning swimmers learning how to get better in the water with some of their first experiences jumping off the diving board.

Mystery ailment impacting birds inching westward

Since May, state agencies, wildlife rehabilitators and animal control operators in the Mid-Atlantic United States have received a sharp uptick in reports of sick or dead songbirds.

Grackles, starlings, robins, and blue jays seem particularly vulnerable to this mystery ailment, which causes swollen and crusty eyes and neurologic signs, like disorientation, tremors, and loss of balance. To date, a definitive cause has not been identified and the number of affected states has expanded west to Indiana.

At this point wildlife experts cannot rule out some linkage to the Brood X cicada emergence event, as areas with affected birds largely overlap. Biologists in affected states are recommending that residents take down their bird feeders to reduce the possibility of congregating birds and facilitating disease spread.

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is tracking this situation and has received no reports of unusual avian morbidity (sickness) or mortality (death) events within the state.

"At this time there is no need to remove bird feeders in Iowa, however we encourage the public to remain vigilant by reporting any unusual sightings of five or more affected birds," said Dr. Rachel Ruden, state wildlife veterinarian with the Iowa DNR. Reports may be sent to Ruden at rachel.ruden@dnr.iowa.gov or avian ecologist Anna Buckardt Thomas at anna.buckardt@dnr.iowa.gov.

Worth County Community Foundation grant applications available

Grant applications can now be submitted to the Worth County Community Foundation's 2021 grant cycle. The online grant application may be found on the Community Foundation's website at www.worthccf.org. The deadline to submit applications is 5 p.m. on September 30.

Grants are awarded to projects in the following areas: arts and culture, community betterment, education and youth development, environment and animal welfare, health and human service.

Grant applicants must be a 501(c)(3) designated organization or a government entity serving Worth County in order to be considered for funding.

First-time grant applicants should contact Dotti Thompson, program manager for the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa, at 319-243-1358 prior to submitting an application. Grant recipients will be announced in January 2022.

In 2020, a total of $87,227.10 in grants were awarded to 17 area nonprofits and government agency projects serving Worth County. Since 2017, the Worth County Community Foundation, through the generosity of the Jaspers family, has awarded $174,046 in grants benefitting Worth County residents and communities.

The establishment of the Worth County Community Foundation was made possible by the Jaspers Family through the establishment of the Jaspers Family Foundation Fund.

Maynard and Marjory Jaspers were long time successful business owners in Worth County. They had three sons with no heirs. At his death, Donald Jaspers donated the proceeds from combined estates of the Jaspers Family to provide charitable support for Worth County.

For more information, contact the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa at 319-287-9106.

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Willert's research efforts featured in college library correspondence

The following appeared in the Spring edition of the UNI "Library Connection," from the Rod Library, featuring infomration on the efforts of Bolan resident Kelsie Willert:

Special Collections & University Archives (SC&UA) reduced their Reading Room hours this year because of the pandemic; however, that was no deterrent for one UNI graduate student. Kelsie Willert, a Public History department graduate assistant, has become a familiar face to the SC&UA staff.

Kelsie can usually be found combing through images and boxes full of documents from the past, searching for information and answers. She came to UNI this year for the Master of Art in Public History Program after completing her undergraduate studies at North Iowa Area Community College and Grand View University.

This may be her first year at UNI, but UNI is no stranger to her family. Both her parents are alumni, and her brother also currently attends UNI. Growing up in the fairly close town of St. Ansgar, Iowa, Kelsie visited many museums and history centers and found learning about history fascinating. The Public History Program at UNI was a natural fit for her plans to bridge the gap between history institutions and the public.

After graduating, she hopes to find a position that allows her to make history easier to ingest. Therefore when Assistant Professor Cheryl Dong brought up the opportunity to conduct background research for an upcoming 50th-year celebration of the Black Student Union at UNI, Kelsie was excited to discover more.

The project of gathering information to form a historical timeline and narrative to celebrate the 50th anniversary in 2022 began during the Fall 2020 semester and will continue through next year.

Kelsie began this process not knowing much at all about the Black Student Union. Little to no information could easily be found in online searches and required a trip to the Library's University Archives. There, she met with Jaycie Vos, the Special Collections Coordinator and University Archivist, who helped her think about how and where to start the search for information.

As you can imagine, there is no neat little box of all of the Black Student Union's history waiting to be visited. Rather, information about the BSU's history is sprinkled throughout many different records and collections within the University Archives. It will take many hours of searching through hundreds of photos, reports, correspondence, meeting minutes, newspapers and other materials in the University Archives for names of people and other mentions of the group over the years.

Kelsie described the process as a big tree stemming off in many directions. Archivist Vos has encouraged an open mind and that searching one area will often lead into another area to search through.

Finding historic information about the Black Student Union has been an involved and lengthy process. Research wouldn't be complete without going back to peaceful protests and events that led up to the formation of the group at UNI. Events in the early 70s involved the first Afro-American culture center, place of refuge and solidarity for minority students, being established on campus.

Through the actions of the notable "UNI 7," a key group of student activists, who were suspended after a sit-in at the UNI President's house, the idea of a culture house was born. The first mention of the "Black Student Union" wasn't until 1972 after being renamed from the original Afro-American Society.

The group's mention in student newspapers was then more sparse in the 1980s, which required digging deeper in other resources and creativity in coming up with additional angles to search.

Having primary sources such as alumni newsletters, flyers from events hosted by student organizations, calendars and other records in University Archives is a way to go back to that time and see what was being said or included. According to Jaycie Vos, "It is essential to keep in mind why something may be left out of the historical record. Was it not deemed important to collect at the time? Did the creator not share the information because of mistrust? Was it discarded because someone didn't see the historical value in it? Or it may not have existed in the first place."



KELSIE WILLERT

This, along with influences such as cultural and political events and movements, such as the Vietnam War and Black Panthers in this case, also play a role in what can be found in the archives.

The project has been challenging in locating information but also in ways that have broadened Kelsie's thinking. She was surprised to see the depth of actions taken by courageous students back in 1972. Kelsie expressed her frustration "that the students had to take education into their own hands and fight for their presence at UNI. Sadly minorities are still dealing with the same things today, and unfortunately, many things have not been resolved, which is why it is so important to have these conversations."

So the conversation must continue, and the project will aid in the timeline to share and celebrate the history of the Black Student Union at UNI. Once her research is done, oral histories are gathered, and the anniversary events occur, the project will come full circle. The history of the BSU will return to Special Collections & University Archives for future researchers to discover and appreciate.

Young Eagles Flight Rally scheduled for July 17

Area young people ages 8-17 will have a chance to take to the skies on Saturday, July 17, as Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Vintage Chapter #13 hosts a Young Eagles Flight Rally.

Those attending the flight rally can preregister at www.yeday.org. Preregistration is not required. Flights will begin at 8 a.m. with registration ending at 11 a.m. A parent or guardian must be present to sign the permission form.

The rally is part of the EAA Young Eagles Program, created to interest young people in aviation. Since the program started in 1992 volunteer EAA pilots have flown over two million young people who reside in more than 90 countries. Our local chapter has flown over 1,600 young eagles.

Free airplane rides are just part of the Flight Rally. Pilots at the event will explain how airplanes operate and measures they use to fly safely.

Following the flight each young person will receive a certificate making them an official Young Eagle. Their name will be entered into the "World's Largest Logbook" which is on permanent display at the EAA Air Adventure Museum in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The Logbook is also accessible at www.youngeagles.org. In addition to the certificate the new Young Eagle will be given a Logbook with an access code for a complete free online Flight Training course (private pilot ground school) offered by Sporty's Pilot Shop.

Along with flight rallies EAA members also fly Young Eagles on an individual basis. Each pilot volunteers their time and aircraft so the flights can be provided free of charge for interested young people.

Additional information about EAA and the Young Eagles program is available at www.eaa.org. For more information contact Denise Sandager, 507-402-7259.

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Peace Lutheran Church, Northwood
Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion at 9 a.m.
Rev. Barbara M. Wills, Pastor

5 Types of Prayer



There is no limit to the kinds of prayer which are possible, since prayer is any genuine attempt to communicate with God, but there are five types of prayer which seem to be virtually universal. The first type of prayer is the prayer of thanks. Many of the faithful start and end each day by thanking God, and there is always something to be thankful for, including our very existence. The second type of prayer is the prayer of confession or contrition, where we confess our sins to God. This is often framed in terms of what we have done wrong or what we have failed to do, and should include improper or unkind thoughts, and true remorse. A third type of prayer is the prayer of petition, the prayer which asks for God's help. These prayers are sometimes thought unnecessary, since God presumably knows better than we do what we need, but it certainly feels right to ask God for help. A fourth prayer is the prayer of praise, where we extol or exalt God, typically for his goodness, power, or wisdom. The last type of prayer, which is often overlooked because it is more akin to meditation than to prayer, is when we simply feel ourselves in the presence of God who cares for and about us. The sense that there is a Supreme Being who is not indifferent to our suffering should become a way of being in the world, and something which we should strive for constantly. —Christopher Simon

"I trust in the steadfast love of God for ever and ever."
– Psalm 52: 8

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Early Files

100 years ago

July 6, 1921

C.D. Cottingham, S.O. Thompson, Floyd Perry and A.V. Williams drove down to Manly on Friday evening to attend a meeting of the I.O.O.F of that place. During the evening session the Encampment degree was conferred upon a class of candidates.

Members of the Sunday school and the choir of the Northwood Lutheran church gave a picnic party on Saturday afternoon in the local park, the guest of honor being C.N. Urdahl, who has been a most active member of both these church organizations for several years. The gathering was in the nature of a farewell party for the Urdahl family, who leave soon for their new home at Medford, Minnesota.

Jay Bolton left for Minneapolis, where he has accepted a position with the American Milling Colorado, of which his uncles, Messrs. Atwood are the principal owners.

The marriage of Miss Christine Jensen, of St. Ansgar, and Edward Follmouth, of Northwood, was solemnized by the Rev. H.S. Wilkinson, of the First M.E. church at the parsonage at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jensen, brother and sister-in-law of the bride, attended them. The couple will live on the bridegroom's farm.

On Sunday, neighbors, friends and relatives went to the Mr. and Mrs. Nels Erikson Brunsvold beautiful farm near Hanlontown, to help them celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. The ladies came prepared to serve a bountiful dinner beneath the shade of the trees.

One of Northwood's most important events of the past week was the wedding at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Walker of South Tenth Street on Wednesday afternoon, June 29, at 4 p.m. when Miss Alice E. Walker was united in marriage to Mr. Jesse B. Jolliffe of North Platte, Nebraska.

75 years ago

July 4, 1946

C.F. Ashman was elected president of the Northwood Lions Club at the regular meeting on Monday evening in the parlors of the Baptist church. Other officers for the new year include Chas. Capper, vice president; Morris Holstad, secretary-treasurer; N.V. Huber, tail twister; and Dr. R.L. Olson, Lion tamer.

Virgil Grosland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Grosland, who live west of Northwood, suffered an accidental rifle shot wound in his right leg near the body last Sunday at the Glen Dahl home in the west part of Worth County, where he has been working this summer. Virgil will be 16 years old next week.

Kittleson Implement of Northwood, including Wallace and Ray Kittleson, brothers, have started erection of a 40x100 ft. hollow tile building on west Central Avenue, which stye will use for their implement business.

H.J. Pixley of this city, veteran Rock Island operator, was checked in as agent at the local station Tuesday, filling the position that had been held by an extra man since the late R.A. Hinman retired in May. Mr. Pixley is serving his 38th consecutive year with the company and was operator in the Northwood depot from April 1, 1914, until the last fall when the local station was reduced to a one-man station. Since then he has been serving as agent at Glenville.

Horace G. Hilborn, 56, a resident of Northwood for most of his life, died on Sunday in a Mason City hospital following an illness of several months.

50 years ago

July 8, 1971

Berdiene Hagen and John Berg were lucky winners of bicycles at the Independence Day observance in Northwood on Monday. One bike was donated by Mowers Bicycle and the second by the Northwood Jaycees.

A 1971 Ford Maverick will be the grand prize at the Worth County Fair, August 1 through 4. Drawings will be held each night with the car to be given away on Wednesday, August 4, in front of the grandstand. Tickets for the car will be given at special booths outside the fairgrounds and before entering the grandstand. No tickets will be distributed this year by merchants.

The United States Air Force Thunderbirds will be the feature attraction on July 25 at the North Iowa Aviation Day at the Mason City Municipal Airport. Demonstration time is 1 p.m., in colorful red, white and blue Phantom II's. They will perform their famous diamond formation, with wings overlapping by six feet, followed by a precision roll with the aircraft remaining in perfect alignment. They will also perform vertical rolls, aileron rolls and reverse half Cuban eights. The entire show is free with a parking charge of $1.

Ruth Anderson, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Stilaf Anderson, Northwood, attended the freshmen orientation at Iowa State University, Ames, last week.

Bradly Wendell Shupe, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Shupe, Northwood, was baptized on Sunday morning, June 27, by the Rev. Otto Schmitt, Silver Lake Lutheran Church, Northwood. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. John A. Johnson, Bloomington, Minn.

Mrs. Calvin B. Martin, rural Northwood, is hospitalized in Mercy hospital, Mason City, with a heart ailment and complications.

25 years ago

July 3, 1996

Fireworks will light up the night sky at the Worth County Fairgrounds this coming Thursday in the traditional climax to Northwood's annual Fourth of July celebration.

Vicky Stricker was named Worth County's 1996 "Mom of the Year" last Wednesday night during a program in the Worth County Fair shelter house. She was nominated by her daughter Tara Buehrer. The other women were June Low and Laura Land, and Janelle Medlang, "95 "Mom of the Year" Shirley Drury and nominee Agnes Appel.

Lutheran Retirement Home board member Curtis Davis turned the first spade of ground last Wednesday at the groundbreaking ceremony for the Maple Court Phase II project. Looking on to Davis' right were LRH chaplain Rev. Al Stoa and LRH executive director John Meyer. An audience of approximately two dozen witnessed the ceremony.

Jenny and Russ Wahl are parents of a 7 pounds 10 ounces baby girl, Abby Sue, born on June 28. Grandparents are Gary and June Nerlien and Debbi and Claire Wahl. Great-grandparents are Mavis and Dewayne Roppe, Ray Wahl, Jr. and Jean Meng and Lyle and Judy Nerlien, Abby Sue joins a sister, Nicole, age 3 1/2 at home.

Amy Dahl, daughter of Dave and Kathie Dahl, Lyle, Minnesota, and Kevin Stambaugh, son of Bill and Faye Stambaugh, Northwood, announce their engagement and upcoming marriage. An August 3 wedding is planned at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Lyle.

Carrie Meyer watched as outgoing queen Jody Hansen adjusted the sash identifying her as Miss Worth County Fair 1996. Meyer also won the Miss Congeniality title.

10 years ago

July 6, 2011

This past weekend's Fourth of July events in Northwood included the naming of Mr. and Miss Northwood, as well as their "Little" and "Junior" counterparts. This year's winners are Trent Tiedemann, Jenna Jorgenson, Tyson Werner, Briar Tenold, Carson Wright and Damaris Peterson.

Dennis Meyer, with his camera-shy grandson, Kyler, rode a John Deere tractor, painted pink by Jamie Luckason, in Northwood's Fourth of July parade. A grass roots effort amend school bus safety laws in Iowa is underway in honor of his granddaughter, Kadyn, who died as she was boarding a bus this past spring.

Last Thursday, Republican presidential candidate John Davis, with a red, white and blue painted wrench in hand, visited Sue's Cornerpost in Northwood to discuss the issues, and his take on them, with Cornerpost patrons. Davis' visit was part of his campaign tour, with visits to over 700 countries in 17 states so far. On Thursday he made stops in 11 North Iowa communities.

ACT associates Paul Griffith, 15 years of service, and Jerome Loftaas, 20 years of services, received years of service anniversary awards for the second quarter of 2011.

Eighth grader Brandon Severson delivers one of his hard to hit curve balls Wednesday in Riceville. Severson also plays second when he isn't on the mound and look to be a big part of this young team for many years to come.

N-K's Katelyn Jaspers squeezes her gloves on a fly ball Friday night in the first fame of a double-header against Central Springs.



Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

It's all fun and games until someone gets the hiccups

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

I tried to teach my son everything I know.

How did that go?

It was the longest 10 minutes of my life.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. Please, 2021, slow down! I wasn't hacked. I was hicked—a hick with hiccups. It happened a few years ago. I had hiccups for nearly three weeks. For 24 hours a day, I kept company with the spasmodic inhalations with closures of the glottis accompanied by peculiar sounds after a surgery. Land sakes alive! I could have been auditioning for "America's Got Hiccups." I was sympathetic to my plight. It was an American tragedy (at least in my mind).

A scarecrow's yellow brick road to electronic brain repair

I'd stood in the rain to welcome its return after a long absence. I hadn't melted, so I felt up to tasks, onerous and otherwise. I do some things the way Fred Flintstone did and I do other things the way George Jetson did them. I think that makes me a Renaissance man. I had an electronic device that needed dealing with, which required a visit to a place employing people who deal with electronic devices in need of being dealt with. I hadn't shaved for a few days and wasn't averse to adding another day to that total unless there was a discount given to clean-shaven men.

Politicians should walk behind the horses

Fireworks, while not as dangerous as gender reveal parties, can be both delightful and deleterious. My family attended a 4th of July parade each year. My father loved horses and didn't have a high opinion of politicians, but he loved seeing elected officials walking a parade route because, unlike horses, they didn't poop during a parade. I usually became lost in the crowd after following a tractor of a color not seen on our farm or the Shriners (grown men wearing fezzes) squeezed into tiny cars driven in circles and became someone else's problem for a moment.

She's got a ticket to ride

I wanted to surprise my wife with a gift she wouldn't expect, so I shelled out a couple of bucks I'd been saving for that exact purpose and gave her a ticket to ride a city bus. The Beatles sang of the moment, "She's got a ticket to ride. She's got a ticket to ride. She's got a ticket to ride. But she don't care." It wasn't a deluxe motor coach, it was public transportation. It stopped everywhere there was room for a bus to stop. It was a poor woman's (one married to me) city tour. A stop near an area littered with bars brought on three passengers, fellows who'd been overserved at a dispensary of adult beverages. They staggered on and found seats. Two fell asleep immediately if not sooner. One sat near me. The two Rip Van Winkles awoke as if they'd been nudged by a linebacker, pulled the cord to signal a stop, got off and stumbled down a sidewalk on their way to what I'd hoped were greener pastures. After several more stops, the third of those men looked at me seriously and asked something that had been gnawing at him, "Are we there yet?" Good question.

Nature notes

A farmer's market vendor told me apple cider vinegar discourages rabbits. Soak items (corncobs or rags work well) in vinegar for a few minutes and place them around the garden. Resoak every week or spray the area with half water and half vinegar. Apple cider vinegar is also effective at repelling ants.

I walked a trail with a family, identifying wildflowers and insects at their request. The youngest boy asked if honey was made from bee barf. That sounds better than bee vomit. It takes the lifetimes of eight bees to make one teaspoonful. Bees visit flowers and collect nectar by sucking it out with their long tongues. They store it in their honey stomach (crop). At the hive, they pass the nectar from one to another mouth-to-mouth and then store it in honeycomb cells, which suggest tiny jars made of wax. They fan it with their wings to encourage evaporations.

Ogden Nash wrote, "The grackle's voice is less than mellow, His heart is black, his eye is yellow, He bullies more attractive birds With hoodlum deeds and vulgar words, And should a human interfere, Attacks that human in the rear. I cannot help but deem the grackle An ornithological debacle."

Meeting adjourned

"What wisdom can you find that is greater than kindness?"—Jean Jacques Rousseau

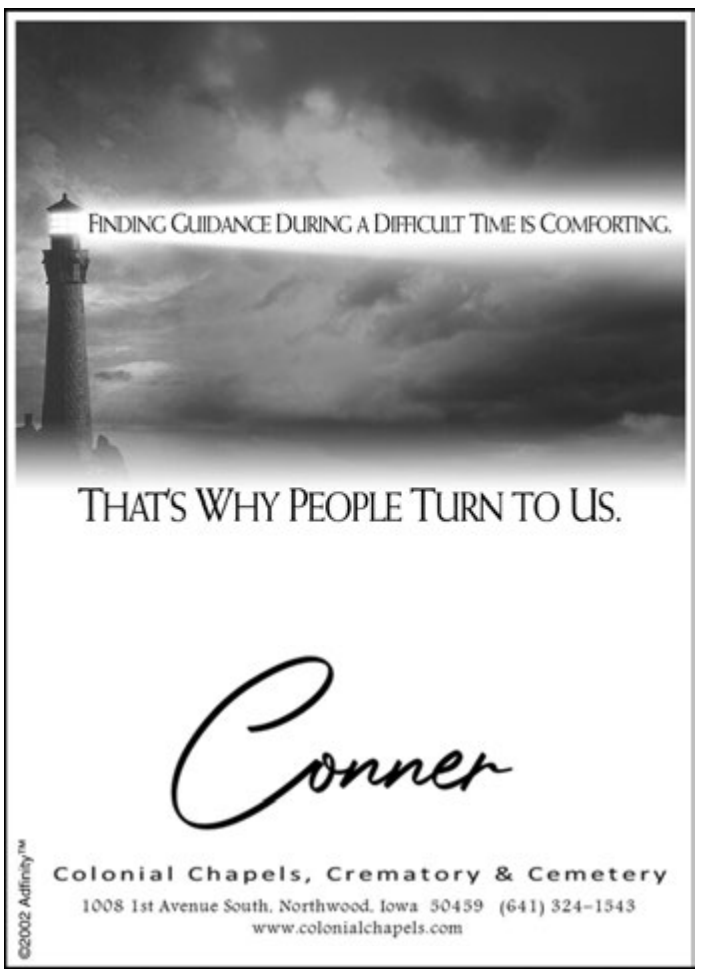
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The grass is always greener

With state policy leaving grass in ditches until mid-summer, the roadway vegetation remained tall, even with a trim recently, as pictured here on Highway 65 on the north side of Kensett. State law prohibits any mowing on highways until July 15. There are exceptions that include mowing to improve visibility and mowing within one mile of a city's limits.

Bolan

Lori and Kelsie Willert bicycled to Clarksville, Iowa, on Monday, and then, due to a time factor, put their bikes on the bike rack, and continued down to Cedar Falls, Iowa, with Linda Nydegger to attend the "Iowa 150 Reunion" held at the Historic Black Hawk Hotel on Monday, June 28, - Wednesday, June 30. Due to the pandemic this Reunion was postponed until this year, which made this 26 years since the "Bike Ride Across America" biking from Long Beach, California, to Washington, D.C.

Cole Willert and Lauren Olson met them at a restaurant for an evening meal and also joined Lori, Kelsie and Linda, and all the other "150" group, at the Oster-Regent Theater for the showing of the Documentary: "The Great Bike Ride Across America." On Tuesday morning many bikers rode to the home of Clyde Franklin for a "Backyard Tour" and then on to the "John Deere Tractor & Engine Museum." Those who didn't bike simply drove to the Tour and Museum. Joe Nydegger joined them at John Deere.

In the late afternoon there was a social time at the Black Hawk Park, and in the evening a catered dinner and banquet at the Eagles Fraternal Lodge. Following the banquet there was a Memorial Service, which those who were in charge shared the passing of bikers these past four years.

There was also a program where many memories were shared regarding this trip and how it changed their lives. This brought quite a few laughs and a few tears. Such special memories. For me, who would have thought after Lori mentioning in early spring of 1995 that she wanted to go on this "trip" that I'd have a motorhome for two weeks and start driving across America, and become one of those "Motorhome Mama's! Then, all the bike rides after that, which included grandchildren, Kelsie and Cole, and now Kelsie is an avid bike rider also! Absolutely awesome!

Notice

NOTICE OF COMPLETION HEARING DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 13 LAT 3 WORTH COUNTY, IOWA

TO: ALL LANDOWNERS AND PERSONS INTERESTED IN DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 13 LAT 3, WORTH COUNTY, IOWA

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the engineer in charge of the repairs and/or improvements in Drainage District No. 13 Lat 3, Worth County, Iowa, has filed his report that the contract with Cole Excavating, LLC of Greene, Iowa, has been satisfactorily completed. Said report will be on file in the Auditor's Office after the completion hearing is finished in Worth County, Iowa.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Board of Supervisors for Worth County, Iowa, acting as trustees for the drainage district has set July 19th, 2021 at 10:00 AM, in the Magistrate Room at the Worth County Courthouse, Northwood, in Worth County, Iowa, as the time, place and date for hearing on said report. Or through zoom at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83429593664?pwd=RlZmeXpEOExNNEw2Z0kwTlRoMTJudz09

Meeting ID: 834 2959 3664
Passcode: 359018

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any interested party having a claim for damages arising out of the construction, including crop damages, shall file said claim with the Auditor's Office of Worth County, at or before the time set for hearing on the completion of the contract, which claim shall not include any claim for land taken for right-of-way or for severance of the land.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any party interested in said district or the repairs thereof may file written objections to said report and submit any evidence tending to show why said report should not be accepted. Said written objections must be filed in the office of the Worth County Auditor at or before the time set for such hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if the Board of Supervisors finds that the work under the contract has been completed and is accepted, that the Board of Supervisors shall compute the balance due the contractor, and if there are no liens on record against such balance, they shall enter an order directing the Worth County Auditor to draw warrant(s) in favor of said contractor upon the drainage district funds, but that such warrant(s) shall not be delivered until the expiration of thirty (30) days after the acceptance of the work.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all objections to the engineer's report must be in writing and filed with the County Auditor of Worth County at or before the time fixed for hearing. Any interested party may be heard in an argument by himself or by counsel. Anyone who fails to object shall be held to have waived all objections and claims for damages.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if you fail to object, the Board of Supervisors will make a final decision as to completion of the contract, damages and other matters before the Board and as a consequence of your failure to object, you lose your right to appeal any final decision within twenty (20) days to the Iowa District Court.

This Notice is published and mailed as provided by law at the direction of the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa, acting in behalf of Drainage District No 13 Lat 3.

Jacki A. Backhaus
Worth County Auditor

City of Kensett

The Kensett City Council meet in regular session 5/10/21 at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall with Mayor C. Pulju presiding. Council Members present were Woltzen, Pilkington, Heiken, & Douglas.

Absent: Parker.

Visitors: Lisa Brevig.

Mayor called meeting to order.

Motion to approve agenda by Woltzen, 2nd by Douglas, carried unanimously.

Motion to approve minutes by Pilkington, 2nd by Douglas, carried unanimously.

Clerk discussed naughty children at bus stop by Post Office and city clean-up review.

Old Business: Reminder of Hazardous Household Waste on June 7th.

Mayor has been in contact with North Iowa Sand & Gravel for repairs.

Visitors: Lisa Brevig asked about bringing a 12 x 20 x 10 garage to her property, 601 Ash Street. Motion to approve as long as there is proper footings & setbacks by Heiken, 2nd by Woltzen, carried unanimously.

New Business: Motion by Douglas, 2nd by Pilkington to approve Ordinance #2021 Recodification of Ordinances, Roll Call Vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously.

Motion by Woltzen, 2nd by Douglas to waive 2nd and 3rd readings of said ordinance, Roll Call Vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously.

Motion to approve replacing fire hydrant at 5th and Ash by Parker, 2nd by Pilkington, carried unanimously.

Motion to approve D.O.T. Agreement by Heiken, 2nd by Douglas, carried unanimously.

McCloskey will be contacted concerning refrigerator at community center

Motion by Woltzen, 2nd by Heiken to approve Resolution # 618 – Transfer of Funds, Roll Call Vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously.

Motion by Heiken, 2nd by Douglas to approve Resolution #619 – Special Assessment for water repairs @ 805 Elm Street, Roll Call Vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: April 2021 Revenues by Fund: General 41,914.32, Utilities 6,558.29, Special 7,922.08. Total Revenues: $56,394.69. Stands approved as read.

Motion to pay bills by Heiken, 2nd by Woltzen, carried unanimously.

Payable: Alliant Energy 2255.57, WCTA 278.48, B. Luckason 715.42441.59 (net), R. Bauer 1479.00 (net), L. McNally 1546.58 (net), Federal & SS 1445.79 (payroll), Ipers 833.86 (payroll), Sales Tax 446.00, Post Office 221.00 (sewer), Fallgatter's 44.30 (general), Ag Source 155.25 (sewer tests), Kensett Water 102.25 (sewer fees), L. McNally 65.52 (mileage – general), Waste Management 1427.76 (garbage & recycling), C. Pulju 184.70 (net), KFD 400.00 (fire protection), Tractor Loan Payment #27 – 321.98 (casino $ – general), D & L Equipment lawnmower – general), Hach 49.09 (chemicals – sewer), Menards 19.73 (supplies – general & sewer), R80 150.50 (gas – city – road use), Northwood Anchor 57.40 (publications – general), Bice Electric 475.00 (X-mas lights down – general), Thofson Plumbing &Heating 60.00 (service – general), NIACC 60.00 (sewer class), L. McNally 15.28 conference – general), Kelly Hardware 13.99 (supplies – general), Kibble Equipment 26.05 (shipping – water), Plunkett's 665.83 (pest control – general), Haines Insurance 13,153.00 (yearly premium), Peterson Excavating 550.00 (final snow removal – road use),Baker & Taylor 97.24 (books), Midwest Tape 26.99 (dvd's), Staples 1405.80 (computers – grant $), Culligan 37.83 (water), A. Bergdale 84.00 (cleaning), L. Albright 10.00 (snow removal), Northwood Anchor 132.00 (publications), The Library Store 150.18 (supplies).

Disbursements by Fund: General 18,012.90, Special 1,914.91, Utilities 1,408.50, Payroll 6205.35 (gross).

Total Disbursements: $27,541.66.

Motion to adjourn by Pilkington, 2nd by Douglas, carried unanimously.

Lori J. McNally, CMC, City Clerk
Corery Pulju, Mayor

City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on 6/28/21 at 6:00 pm with Mayor Moehle presiding and the following council members present:

George-Zenz, Meyer Nerlien, Reeder, Tenold.

Motion to approve the agenda. Unam.

Motion to approve the following under Consent Agenda: Council Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2021. Unam.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2106-15 Approve Sunset Rest Cemetery Rules. Unam.

Motion to approve I-35 Incident By-Pass Agreement with the Iowa DOT. Unam.

Motion to approve the bridge inspections agreement with SEH, Inc. Unam.

Motion to table the student transit bus agenda item until the next meeting. Unam.

Reeder left meeting at 7:05 pm.

Motion to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
NO. ESPR009268
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARJORIE M. CULVER, DECEASED
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Marjorie M. Culver, Deceased, who died on or about May 28, 2021:

You are hereby notified that on June 25, 2021, the Last Will and Testament of Marjorie M. Culver, deceased, bearing date of May 31, 2006, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Dale R. Culver and David R. Culver were appointed Co-Executors of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated June 21, 2021.

Dale R. Culver
1507 Harding
Ames, IA 50010
Co-Executor

David R. Culver
417 MacBride Drive
Iowa City, IA 52246
Co-Executor

Date of second publication 14th day of July, 2021.

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Supervisors

June 28, 2021
Twenty-sixth Day

The Worth County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment with A.J. Stone, Mark Smeby and Enos Loberg present.

Stone led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Unless otherwise indicated, all of the following motions offered at this meeting were carried with the following vote: Ayes: Stone, Smeby and Loberg. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: None.

Motion by Loberg, second by Smeby, carried to approve the June 28, 2021 board agenda.

Motion by Loberg, second by Smeby, carried to approve the June 21, 2021 board minutes.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve drainage claims in the amount of $152,768.36 as per the following schedule:

Cole Excavating, LLC, DD #13/Lat 3, Repairs.....$152,768.36

Motion by Loberg, second by Smeby, carried to approve claims in the amount of $125,453.04 as per the following schedule:

Alliant Energy
Service-Gsr 5,808.11
Bethel Lutheran Brethren Church
Service-Vaf 96.00
Bmc Aggregates Llc
Rock-Eng 2,455.16
Bob Barker Company Inc
Supplies-Shf 25.92
Brian Lund
Reserve-Shf 721.00
C J Cooper & Associates Inc
Service-Shf..... 35.00
Carquest Auto Parts Inc
Supplies-Shf 30.96
Cerro Gordo Co Auditor Service-Mex..... 995.89
Cintas Corporation
Service-Eng 385.74
Cole Excavating, Llc
Service-Eng 13,250.00
Com-Tec Land Mobile Radio
Service-Shf..... 128.55
Danny Tripp, Service-San . 600.00
Deano's Road Dust Control
Service-Eng 216.00
Diamond Mowers Inc
Parts-Eng..... 5,916.39
Dick's Place Body & Tow
Service-Shf..... 170.00
Dustin Doty
Reimb-Con 8.00
Enos Loberg, Mileage-Sup... 36.96
Falkstone Llc, Rock-Eng37,134.41
Feh Design
Service-Ndp 11,184.42
Forest City Veterinary Clinic, Llc
Service-Shf..... 105.00
Helgeson Drainage Inc.
Service-Eng 925.20
J.J. Keller & Assoc, Inc
Supplies-Eng 106.80
Jay Heims, Reimb-Asr 602.50
Joel Rohne, Mileage-It/Gis 178.08
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Eng 1,355.69
Justin Bruns, Reserve-Shf. 145.00
K-Log, Inc, Supplies-Vaf.... 409.73
Knudtson Automotive Service
Service-Shf..... 545.74
Kossuth County Assessor
Dues-Asr 400.00
Kris Hearn, Reserve-Shf.... 145.00
Lawson Products Inc
Supplies-Eng 771.68
London Deer Creek Cemetery
Service-Vaf 192.00
Madison Dorsey, Reserve-Shf 1.00
Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Dap 81.55
Mediacom, Service-Gsr 239.95
Michael Logeman
Reserve-Shf 1.00
Mk Service & Repair
Supplies-Con 183.85
Peopleservice Inc
Service-Wat & Wwt..... 16,983.00
Pictometry International Corp
Service-Dap 17,656.00
Pitney Bowes Global
Service-Dap 402.99
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc
Service-Gsr 88.40
R80 Llc, Fuel-Gsr 16.70
Reinhart Food Service Llc
Supplies-Shf 268.99
Rognes Bros Excavating Inc
Service-Eng 1,000.00
Scott Butler, Reserve-Shf 1.00
Scott Hengesteg
Reserve-Shf 145.00
Staples Credit Plan
Supplies-Vaf 27.99
Trading Post
Supplies-Eng 1,719.99
U S Postal Service
Postage-Aud 110.00
Ver Helst Snyder Drug
Supplies-Trs 155.00
Verizon Wireless
Service-It/Gis..... 198.87
Visa, Service-Phd 801.83
Wyatt Quam, Reserve-Shf. 289.00
Grand Total 125,453.04

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve the cigarette license for The Jo Stop.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve a fireworks permit submitted by Tim Peterson for the Thoms Wedding at Country View Acres at 628 430th ST, Joice, IA on July 17, 2021.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve the Law Enforcement Agreement between the City of Manly, Iowa and the County of Worth, Iowa.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve the COBRA Plan with ISAC/Group Benefits Partners.

Motion by Loberg, second by Smeby, carried to approve RESOLUTION #2021.06.28

FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, IT IS DESIRED TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR EACH OF THE DIFFERENT OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING July 2021, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 331.434, Subsection 6, Code of Iowa,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa, as follows:

SECTION 1. The amounts itemized by fund and by department or office are hereby appropriated from the resources of each fund as follows:

Board of Supervisors..... $164,323
Auditor..... $325,090
Treasurer..... $295,213
Attorney..... $196,091
Sheriff..... $1,956,031
Sheriff-NWD..... $363,141
Recorder..... $216,903
Nurse $533,827
Homemaker Aide Service$179,099
Capital Projects..... $-
Chemical Dependency..... $12,500
Engineer $4,375,104
Veterans Affairs $50,927
Conservation $597,412
Weed Commissioner..... $-
Environmental Health..... $61,500
Domestic/Apiary..... $300
Disaster Service Emergency.....
..... $80,320
Medical Examiner..... $26,000
Emergency Medical Services.....
..... $7,605
Court Administration $1,750
Library..... $133,000
Historical Society ..... $-
Fairgrounds..... $32,000
Criminal Services..... $3,200
Insurance..... $276,500
Juvenile Justice..... $25,000
General Services $183,334
Data Processing..... $518,400
IT/GIS $131,494
Mental Health Administration.....
..... $400,027
Non-Departmental..... $3,652,164
Organizations..... $141,441
Planning & Zoning..... $12,722
Recycle Center..... $124,483
Social Services..... $42,306
Township Official $1,020
Transit $237,754
General Drainage..... $7,475
Total..... $15,365,456

SECTION 2. Subject to the provisions of other county procedures and regulations, and applicable state law, the appropriations authorized under Section 1 shall constitute authorization for the department or officer listed to make expenditures or obligations from the itemized department effective July 1, 2021.

SECTION 3. In accordance with Section 331.437, Code of Iowa, no department or officer shall expend or contract to expend any money or incur any liability or enter into any contract which by its terms involves the expenditure of money for any purpose in excess of the amounts appropriated pursuant to this resolution.

SECTION 4. If at any time during the 2021-2022 budget year the auditor shall ascertain that the available resources of a department for that year will be less than said department's total appropriations, she shall immediately so inform the board and recommend appropriate corrective actions.

SECTION 5. The Auditor shall establish separate accounts for the appropriations authorized in Section 1, each of which account shall indicate the amount of the appropriation, the amounts charged thereto, and the unencumbered balance. The Auditor shall report the status of such accounts to the applicable departments and officers quarterly during the 2021-2022 budget year.

SECTION 6. All appropriations authorized pursuant to this resolution lapse at the close of business June 30, 2022.

The above and foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors in Worth County, Iowa, on June 28, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES: Stone, Smeby and Loberg

NAYES: None A B - SENT:

Aaron Stone, Chairperson

Mark Smeby, Vice-Chairperson

Enos Loberg, Supervisor

ATTEST: Jacki A. Backhaus, County Auditor

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to RESOLUTION FOR FY2021/2022 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS

2021.06.28.01

WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the Auditor to periodically transfer sums from the general basic fund and the rural basic fund to the secondary road fund , from the general basic fund to the emergency medical services fund during the 2021-2022 budget year , and

WHEREAS, said transfers must be made in accordance with Section 331.432, Code of Iowa,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Worth County Iowa, as follows:

The total maximum from the general basic fund to the secondary road fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 shall not exceed the sum of $86,299; the total maximum from the rural basic fund to the secondary road fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 shall not exceed the sum of $1,245,226; and the total maximum from the general basic fund to the emergency medical services fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 shall not exceed the sum of $2,605.

Ayes: Stone, Smeby, Loberg

Nays: None

Aaron Stone, Chairperson

Attest: Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor

Motion by Loberg, second by Smeby, carried to approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign the Fiscal 2021/2022 Salary Resolution #2021.06.28.02 placed on file with the County Auditor.

Motion by Loberg, second by Smeby, carried to adjourn at 9:27 A.M. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 8:30 A.M.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Aaron Stone, Chairperson

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Lady Vikings win five of last eight games, improve to 8-15 overall

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

In the game of high school softball it's hard to underestimate the impact a little dose of confidence can do for a struggling team, like the Lady Vikings of Northwood-Kensett, who, before the West Hancock tournament a few weeks ago, were drowning in a sea of defeats, only to snap out of it with two wins in Britt and have now turned what was looking like a disastrous season into one that can be salvaged after winning five of their last eight games.

Last Monday evening in Manly, despite the 6-0 loss at the hands of No. 5 (class 2A) Central Springs, the Lady Vikings became one of only three class 1A schools to hold the Panthers to six or fewer runs, the other two were No. 1 ranked Newell-Fonda (29-4) and Saint Ansgar (19-7), who is third in the Top of Iowa Conference East standings.

With N-K's ace, Kayla Senne, in the circle the Lady Vikings avoided the big offensive innings CS has enjoyed against much of its competition this season, averaging 9.3 runs a game against teams that include 3A, 4A and 5A schools.

In last Tuesday's 6-4 non-conference win in Lake Mills, the Lady Vikings cranked out nine hits, including a HR by Senne that lifted them to the eighth victory of the season. Others hitting safely against the Bull Dogs include Carly Hengesteg (1-4), Lindsey Moore (1-3), Senne (2-3), Addy Bachtle (2-2), Jasmine Renteria (1-4), Olivia Stilley (1-3) and Kennedy Christianson (1-3).

Senne, who has pitched 134.1 innings of the 140 played this season once again went the distance in this one with 11 Ks and just one walk allowed. The talented senior now has 239 Ks for the year, tops in the TIC East and fifth in all of class 1A.

In last Wednesday night's 19-2 loss to the Saints, N-K basically served this one up on a silver platter to the visitors, committing nine errors that turned a close 2-0 game in the second inning into an embarrassing blowout when the Saints scored 17 runs in the final three innings.

The Lady Vikings could manage just four hits as a team with two of those by Hengesteg, who went 2-4 with two singles. Moore and Bachtle had one hit each while Senne added six Ks and only surrendered two earned runs.

After last week's games, not including last Thursday, the Lady Vikings are now 8-15 overall and 3-12 in the TIC East.

N-K started region 6 regional play on Tuesday, July 6, at Saint Ansgar.

TIC East Standings

	TIC East	Overall
Central Springs	15-1	26-6
North Butler	12-2	16-4
Saint Ansgar	11-4	19-7
Newman Catholic	9-6	22-10
West Fork	6-7	8-13
Osage	5-9	12-14
Nashua-Plainfield	4-11	7-17
Northwood-Kensett	3-12	8-15
Rockford	1-14	2-18



N-K's Addy Bachtle and Teagan Johnson both try to chase down a fly ball in foul territory last Monday night in Manly. The Lady Vikings played well defensively, cutting their errors in half from the first meeting with Central Springs from eight to just four in the 6-0 loss.



Trying to get on base any way she can the Lady Vikings Lindsey Moore tries to lay down a bunt in last Monday's 6-0 loss to No. 5 (class 2A) Central Springs. N-K was held hitless against the Panthers, but Moore still managed to reach base twice. She is now fourth on the team with a .333 on base percentage.

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ADDY BACHTLE

Stat of the Week: *Playing her first full season behind the plate at the varsity level, the Lady Vikings' Addy Bachtle has had her share of struggles, but when you consider that she catches one of the best pitchers in class 1A this season, her numbers don't look so bad after all. The talented junior has a .958 fielding percentage with just 11 errors in 263 total chances. Bachtle has taken 2,424 pitches from one of the hardest throwers in the game, which is bound to make her an even better catcher for next year. At the plate, Bachtle has 10 hits this season, ranking her third among non-seniors on the team that will be returning next year.*



BRANDON VARNER

Stat of the Week: *Not one of the most vocal players you'll ever come across, N-K's Brandon Varner just goes about his business, letting his arm, bat and glove do the talking for him, and boy do they have a lot to talk about. Varner this season is batting .333 with 18 runs scored on 18 hits in a team high 54 at bats. In the field, where he plays mostly shortstop when he's not on the bump, the talented senior has an incredible .967 fielding percentage, committing just two errors on the year. On the bump, he's unbeaten at 3-0 and has held opposing batters to a .241 average, second best on the team, enough said.*



Viking Isaac Renteria delivers a pitch in last Wednesday's 16-3 TIC East loss to Saint Ansgar. Renteria is 2-2 on the year with 35 Ks and a WHIP of just 1.35.



With N-K's Cade Hengesteg having problems on the mound the team comes together for a little pep talk in the top of the fourth inning trailing 10-3. The Vikings, 10-12 overall and 9-6 in the TIC East, lost the conference game 16-3 in five innings.

Vikings beat non-conference Lake Mills, but lose two in the TIC East

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

For most of this season the Northwood-Kensett baseball team has taken care of business in the Top of Iowa Conference East, staying in that third-place position for much of the year, but they have struggled in non-conference games, going just 1-6 outside the TIC East.

But last week that seemed to reverse itself when the Vikings were able to secure just one win in three games, a non-conference win at Lake Mills while dropping conference games to Central Springs and Saint Ansgar.

Last Monday at CS the Viking bats were totally neutralized by the Panthers' Chase Berding. Who no-hit the visitors in six innings of work.

N-K's Kael Julseth and Jace Gentz pitched nearly as well, combining for 10 Ks and just two earned runs allowed in the 4-0 TIC East loss.

The Vikings' 7-5 win over Lake Mills last Tuesday night avenged an earlier 15-4 loss to the Bulldogs in a weekend tournament, something the Vikings have not fared well in this season with an 0-4 record in those games.

Trailing the Bulldogs 4-3 in the top of the fourth N-K was able to push four runs across the plate to secure the win for Brandon Varner, who worked three innings with no earned runs allowed.

At the plate for the Vikings it was Varner and Ethian Tasker with the hot sticks, both with two hits each while Julseth, Cade Hengesteg, Hayden Moore and Evan Lorenzen had one hit each.

With its loss last Wednesday to the Saints N-K is now 0-5 against the top two teams in the TIC East with the Saints now outscoring it 46-8 in the three games played, including a 16-3 win over the Vikings in Northwood on Wednesday.

The Vikings, who trailed early 9-1 in the bottom of the fourth got some hope when Isaac Renteria blasted a two-run homer to pull to within six at 9-3 but at the plate that would be their last scoring opportunity while surrendering seven runs in the top of the fifth, ending the game by 10-run rule.

With three games played last week, not including Thursday's game at Osage, the Vikings are 10-12 overall and 9-6 in the TIC East.

They played their final regular season game on Tuesday versus North Union and will start district play on Friday when they face North Iowa in Sheffield, game time is 5 p.m.

TIC East Standings

TIC East	Overall
Newman Catholic 16-0	26-1
Northwood-Kensett 9-6	10-12
West Fork 8-6	12-10
Nashua-Plainfield	
Saint Ansgar 12-3	20-6
Osage 7-7	9-10
Central Springs 5-10	8-13
North Butler 1-14	1-17
Rockford 1-14	3-16



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