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Aw shucks!

Residents of the Lutheran Retirement Home recently received a treat, in the form of some fresh sweet corn, provided by Brian Nelson. Of course, before the corn could be served, it had to be prepared, which a few residents were all too happy to help with.

A look back at Carpenter's 150 years

This weekend, Carpenter will celebrate its sesquicentennial with a number of events and activities.

Below is a brief history of the Carpenter community, taken from a history of Mitchell County, published in 1975.

In 1871, the town of Carpenter was platted and continues to be a progressive small town. It celebrated its centennial in 1971, with two days of festivities.

Carpenter was incorporated in 1879, and the first election was held. Officers elected were: J.L. Dow, mayor; W.H. Brooks, recorder of minutes; George Fiddler, Lewis West, Andrew Starr, D.H. Somers and E.C. Lubiens, councilmen. The present officers are Glenn Richards, mayor, Dorothy Larson, clerk; Gary Kirchgatter, treasurer; Roy Gordon, Lynn Gordon, Raymond Congrad, Guy Pike and Harry Dockum, councilmen.

In 1972, Carpenter received first prize in a NIAD Park Improvement competition. Prize money of $500 was furnished by Winnebago Industries of Forest City. A memorial park has been created after old vacant buildings were torn down, a shelter house built and grass and trees planted. Mr. and Mrs. H.L. McKinley gave, as a gift to the town, the lot on which the E.C. Lubiens store was standing. The building was torn down and the town purchased the adjoining property. Improvements are continually being made to make this park a source of pride to the citizens of Carpenter and Newburg Township. The park board members are Leonard Larson, chairman; Mrs. Arthur (Sara) Priem, treasurer; Mrs. George Parkhurst, Earl Cooper and Roy Gordon.

There have been as many as four general stores in Carpenter at one time. Long time owners were Walter Landeck in the building now owned by Clarence and Loren Schrag operating the C&L Grocery, and Alfred Stehn, who had a store in what is now Dockums TV and Appliance Store owned by Harry and Ardene Dockum. Other stores have been operated by Albert (Pat) Miller, Andrew Ellingson, Lawrence Feldt, Halvor Hanson, Albert Petersen, Al Koster, Merle Nicholson, Frank Sheumaker, Vera Krause and Florence Taylor.

The Carpenter Lumber & Hardware operated by Mrs. Arthur (Sara) Priem and her son-in-law, Gary Kirchgatter, dates back to the 1870s. The first lumber shed was built by George and Simon McGillivray. They also sold coal, machinery and twine. Other owners have been A. Krusemark, Priem Brothers, Lincoln Priem, Ed Durkee, Roger Krause and Arthur Priem.

Other business enterprises located in Carpenter are greenhouse, Irving Olson; tavern, Dennis and Lucy Johnson; service station, Leonard and Dorothy Larson; elevator, Neul Larson, manager; Warren Walker, Dennis Finch and Delmar Stehn, employees; Mildred Priem, bookkeepr; corn shelling, Raymond Conrad & Sons; construction, Roy and Lynn Gordon; livestock dealer, David and Shirley Huntington; American Oil Company, Glenn and Leona Richards;

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Council discusses deputy building, development, sidewalks

At its regular meeting on August 9, the Northwood city council talked about potential grant applications, which included discussion of a City-owned building and a potential housing development. They also were updated on the status of a sidewalk review.

The grants the council discussed referred to the fall round of WCDA grants. The deadline to apply ends this month and city officials were discussing potential uses of grant funds to apply for.

The larger of the potential grants discussed could address a lack of properties to build new homes, which is a project the Council has been considering for several years.

In recent years, the Council has been looking at ways to support a potential

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Kensett hosts Town and Country Saturday

Kensett will host its "post pandemic" town and country festival this Saturday, August 21.

The festival will include a hot beef and pork meal at noon.

At 1 p.m., there will be bingo and kids activities.

The festival will also include a raffle for a number of prizes.

City and school election candidate filing begins Monday

Those interested in serving on their local city or school governments can file as candidates for the November election starting this Monday, August 23.

The November general election will include school board, city council and some mayoral offices in Worth County.

Worth County terms expiring and appearing on ballots this year include:

In Fertile, mayor Nick Bailey and city council members Holly Lovik-Hanna, Tad Miller and Penny Miller;

In Grafton, mayor Gregg Urbatsch and all five council members, including Jane Dalluge, Randy Hulshizer, Tom Kruger, Chris Kruger and Michael Schaub;

In Hanlontown, mayor Rick Scholbrock and all five council members, including Samuel Fellin, Janet Fellin,

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The Week's WEATHER

by National Weather Service Observer John Podgorniak

Date	H	L	Prec.
Tues. August 10	79	66	
Wed. August 11	82	66	
Thurs. August 12	81	56	
Fri. August 13	81	47	
Sat. August 14	80	46	
Sun. August 15	80	51	
Mon. August 16	78	52	

Door-to-door appraisal process begins in Sept.

This September, a reappraisal project will begin in Worth County that will include door-to-door inspections of all residential, commercial and industrial properties in Worth County.

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Data collectors with

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Gone fishin'

This infrequent visitor was spotted last week as it was enjoying some time in Swensrud Park. This great blue heron went from an outpost on a fallen log near the northern pedestrian bridge before hopping in the Shell Rock River to grab a snack, as pictured to the right.

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housing development near the Northwood-Kensett high school campus. The City is still in talks with the school district about the possibility of sharing the costs of a road to the development area and to a new transportation building for the district. Land for the building may come from the City in an agreement that comes with the road.

More recently a new development opportunity has come to the City, as a land owner near the NRCS building on 10th Street South has asked about the possibility of extending city infrastructure to build a home and to access spaces to build more housing in the future.

For the City, that would include coming to an agreement to share the costs of extending water, wastewater and sanitary sewer infrastructure. That would be a less significant investment for the City, as the infrastructure is nearby, which is not the case for the potential development near the school.

The council agreed that the south-side development was more immediately feasible and the City planned to gather information with plans to apply for a grant for the project this fall.

Also discussed was the building used by Worth County Sheriff's Office deputies in downtown Northwood. The building is owned by the City of Northwood, which is used by the WCSO as a part of an agreement for law enforcement services.

In the discussion of potential grants, council member Dan Reeder asked about needs for the building, referencing its mention during recent Worth County discussions about facility needs.

Earlier this year the County hired a firm to review county needs for renovating or building new facilities. That included a look at the building used by the deputies.

That review said that there was water infiltration in the basement and upper level through damage to the ceiling and walls; roof repairs were needed; there are likely hazardous material in the building and evidence storage security is not sufficient.

Sheriff Dan Fank echoed many of those assessments when asked about the building. Fank said that the upstairs was torn apart, with deteriorating sheet rock, prior to the deputies taking over the building. Fank said that there was water coming in around newly installed windows due to a lack of insulation. Fank said that floor tile is breaking, and due to its age is likely made with asbestos, meaning extra care is needed when cleaning broken tiles.

While the building has issues, there is no space at the courthouse or in other County facilities for the deputies. That is one of the reasons for the County's facility study.

The facility review showed an estimated cost of $249,500 to address issues with the building.

The council asked that someone be contacted to look at the building and provide more details about what exactly would be needed to address issues. That would likely not be done in time for the fall grant deadlines.

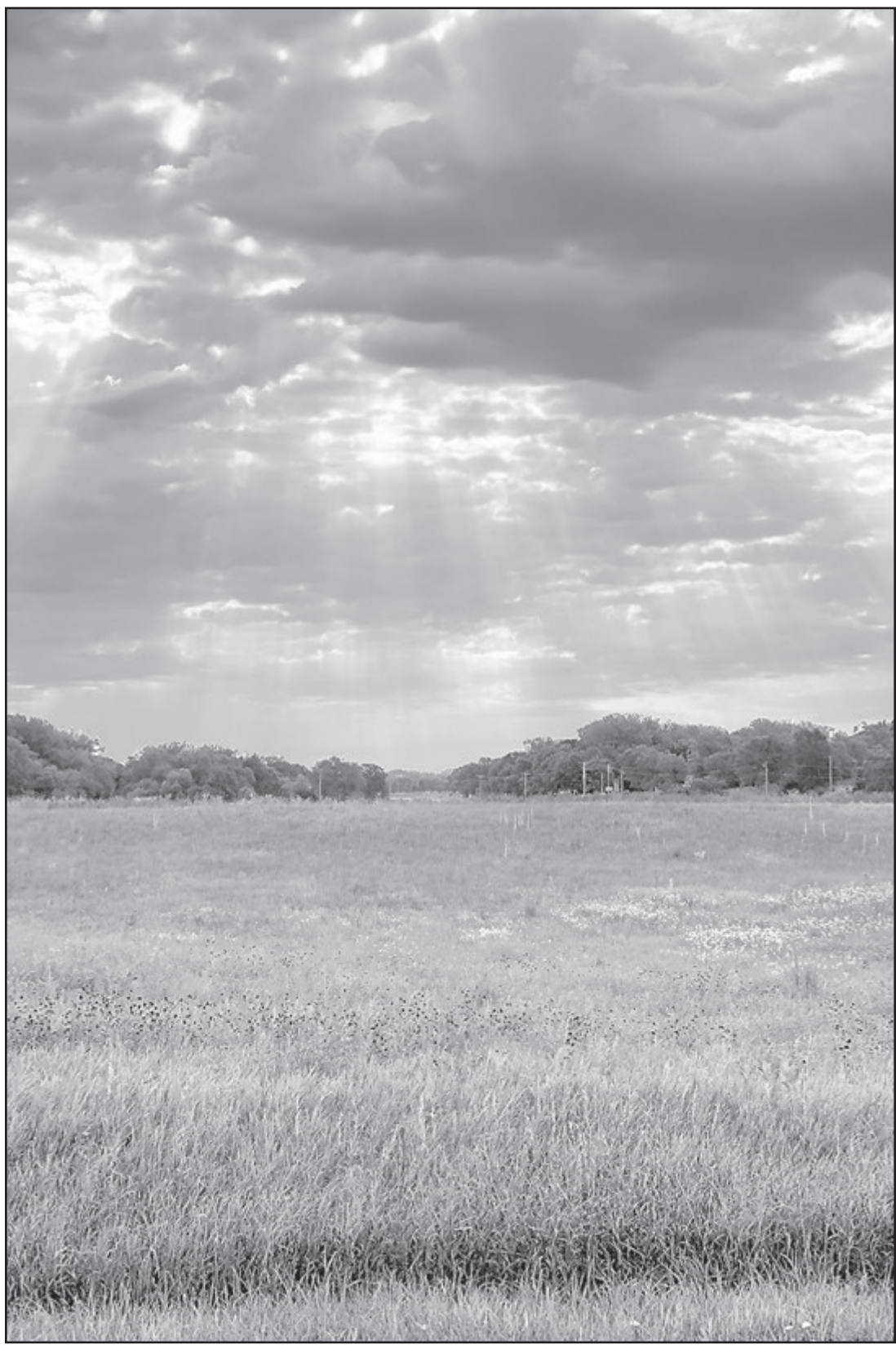
In other business at the August 9 regular meeting, the council was updated on the review of sidewalks in the city.

At a previous meeting, the Council agreed to enforce the City's ordinance that requires property owners to maintain the sidewalks on their property.

The ordinances has not been strongly enforced in some time, so the City will give people until July 2022 to address issues.

The council was updated by city superintendent Dirk Van Ryswyk, who had begun a review of sidewalks. Van Ryswyk shared that businesses were included in the review.

To share the scope of the repairs that will be needed, Van Ryswyk said that he expected that about 90% of sidewalks in the city would need to be addressed.



Sunlight streaming through

This scene welcomed those outside on a recent morning. A cloudy sky could not fully contain the sun, as the light could be seen streaming through all the way to the horizon.

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Linda Fulton, Scott E. Hakes and Julie Losee;

In Joice, council members Kevin Jessen and Mikkel Schmidt;

In Kensett, mayor Corey Pulju and council members Ronald Parker and Chuck Pilkington;

In Manly, city council members Pete Andera, Amy Durgin and Mary Northway Durner;

In Northwood, mayor Douglas F. Moehle and council members Teresa George-Zenz and Russell Meyer;

In the Central Springs school district, Jean Schilling, representing District 1, North A; Joseph Rowe, representing District 1, North B; and Jason Blickenderfer, representing District 2, South A; and

In the Northwood-Kensett school district, school board members Roger Harris and Susan Kliment.

Those interested can file to be candidates for school or city office from Monday, August 23, until Thursday, September 16, at 5 p.m.

Those running for city office must file with city clerks and those seeking school board seats must file with school board secretaries.

Affidavits of candidacy and nomination petition forms, including signature requirements, are available from city clerks, school board secretaries or at the Worth County Auditor's Office.

The regular election for city and school district offices will be held on Tuesday, November 2, with polls up from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m.

All voters in the county, regardless of the school district they live in, will cast a ballot at their regular general election polling place.

More information is available at the Worth County election website, at www.elections.worthcountyiowa.gov.

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photo IDs signed by the assessor will make interior and exterior inspections of all residential, commercial, multi-residential and industrial properties.

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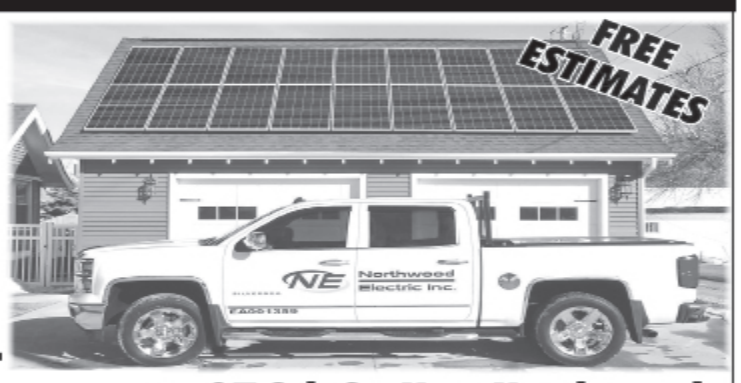
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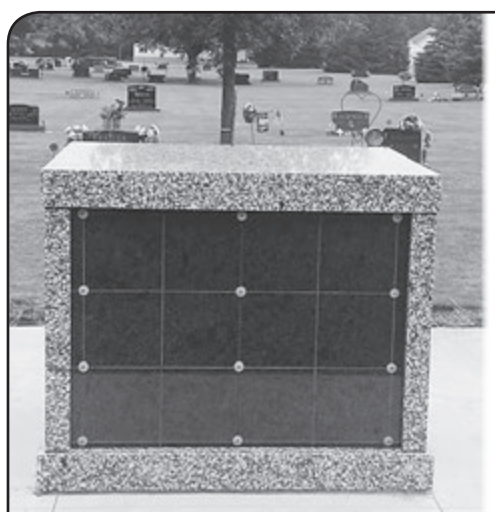
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Carpenter recognizes 150th grand marshals

Two members of the Carpenter community have been selected to serve as grand marshals of this weekend's 150th year celebration, Dennis "Tiny" Johnson and Lola Knutson.

Below is information on each of the sesquicentennial grand marshals:

"We chose Dennis Johnson (better known as Tiny Johnson) to be the grand marshal for the 150th celebration parade in Carpenter on Sunday, August 22.

"A little background to his involvement in Carpenter:

"Tiny, and his wife, Lucy, ran Tiny's Tap and Lucy's Lounge during the 1960s and mid 1970s.

"Tiny started Tiny's Livestock in 1977, and is very proud to have his sons and grandsons keeping that in operation yet today. Tiny watches over them daily by making dinner for them every day.

"Tiny was elected mayor of Carpenter in 1999 and held that title through the 2000s. He fought hard for the town to keep their own septic systems, but then when there was no other choice, he steered the town into the who new sewer system.

"At the same time, he was president of the Carpenter Community Club.

"As you can see, Tiny has the town and the surrounding area in his heart. We say thank you, Tiny. Enjoy your new title."

"Lola Knutson was born 93 years ago on Christmas Eve on the family farm 2 1/2 miles west of Carpenter. She lived on the same farm with her brother Stanley and in the same house in which she was born, until 2019. She then moved to the Good Samaritan Center in St. Ansgar. Their farm became a "Century Farm" in 1984.

"Lola vividly remembers the 100 year centennial of Carpenter. She can tell you stories of how hot it was when we had our first rodeo 50 years ago.

"Lola is very proud of her Norwegian heritage. She is wekll known for her beautiful Rosemaling painting.

"The Deer Creek Lutheran Church is most important to her. She was active there her entire life and still follows the congregation's life and events. She is the oldest member of the congregation.

"Lola considers being a grand marshal in Carpenter's 150th centennial parade one of the highest honors the community can bestow to her."

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welding shop, Walter Oakland; and trucking, Russel Finch.

A drive-in theatre for both cars and airplanes is located in Newburg Township tow miles northwest of St. Ansgar. This was constructed in 1953, by Harlan Anderson and has gained some recognition as the only known “Fly-in” for airplanes.

The first post office was in the E.C. Lubiens store when he was commissioned postmaster in 1871. Other postmasters have been J.H. Theisen, Nicols, W.C. Frank, Robert Jensen, Mrs. M.C. Grover, Leonard Knutson, Mrs. Sarah Graves, Esther Jensen, Mabel Jensen, Albert Petersen and Madeline Nicholson. Mrs. Olaf (Alice) Anderson retired on June 23, 1972, after having served over 29 years. Mrs. Roy (Evelyn) Gordon is in charge at the present time.

The American Legion Frederick W. Galbreth Jr. Post 618 was organized on December 26, 1922, with Lincoln Priem as the first commander. A legion hall was built in 1923. The post was renamed the Odgen-Nelson Post 618 in 1945, following the death of two local boys in service, Lt. Merle V. Ogden and Pvt. Dean Nelson.

The American Legion Auxiliary was organized in October 24, 1945, with Mrs. Fred (Bessie) Logeman as the first president. The club was discontinued in 1969.

The Commercial Club for business men and area farmers was organized in February 1945. Harold Brown was elected president and held that office until his death in 1971. They have sponsored street sales, free movies, celebrations, Christmas decorations and treats and put up reflectorized town signs. Leonard Larson is president and there are 18 members.

The Carpenter Garden Club was organized on June 3, 1953, at the home of Mrs. Leonard Larson with Mrs. Harold Mathison as the first president. Three charter members, Mrs. Larson, Mrs. Anton Anderson and Mrs. C.H. Parkhurst, still belong. Projects have included annual family party in February, spring luncheon, cards and flowers to the sick and donations to worthy causes. Mrs. Rosamond Gordon is president and there are 15 members.

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COVID rates return to pre-vaccine levels in Worth

As public health officials continue to stress the importance of vaccinations, the rate of spread of COVID-19 in Worth County continues to increase, with schools set to resume this Monday.

In the week between the State of Iowa's most recent COVID data releases, August 4 and August 11 which occur on Wednesdays, there were 17 new cases of COVID-19 reported.

In the two weeks since the end of July, according to State of Iowa data, between July 28 and August 11, there have been 29 new cases in Worth County, bringing the new total to 839. That once again returned to a community transmission level not seen since early April, before vaccinations became widely available and effective amongst adults.

With the increase of COVID over the week, the 7 day positivity rate reached 9.3%, up from 6.2% as of July 28.

For the region that includes Worth and the seven bordering counties, there have been a total of 22,173 cases of COVID-19 reported by state agencies. That is up 483 from the total as of July 28. That includes 1,614 in Winnebago, 1,672 in Hancock, 6,253 in Cerro Gordo, 1,865 in Floyd and 1,398 in Mitchell counties in Iowa, and 3,635 in Freeborn and 4,897 in Mower counties in Minnesota.

State data shows that, in the eight county area, there have been 326 deaths to COVID-19, up 2 since July 28.

According to the CDC, 3,149 residents of Worth County have been fully vaccinated, for 42.7% of the total population.

Of that, 1,249 of those 65 and over, the first age group that could receive the vaccine, are fully vaccinated, 80.8% of that population. Of those that have been able to receive the vaccine since early April, those 18 and over, 3,062 have been fully vaccinated, for 52.3% of that population. Those 12 and over have been eligible since the month of May. Of that group 49.3% have been vaccinated.

In Worth County, 3,370, or 45.7% of the total population has received at least one dose of vaccine.

Other counties in the region have vaccination rates of 43.9% in Winnebago, 41% in Hancock, 51.6% in Cerro Gordo, 43.9%in Floyd, 40.4% in Mitchell, 46.7% in Freeborn and 49.5% in Mower counties. Across the region, 47.2% of the total population has been vaccinated.

Information and COVID-19 resources can be found on the state's COVID-19 website 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, or by calling 641-324-1741.



Members of the Northwood Senior Center board are seen enjoying some of the new furnishings. The board is working to offer more activities and opportunities at the center. Pictured are (from left) Sandy Olson, Mike Godfrey, John WIlls, JC Dawald and Jim Hanson.

National Senior Citizens Day is August 21

By Sandy Olson for the Northwood Senior Center

I'm proud to be a Senior Citizen (just don't ever call me elderly!!). It means I have lived, loved, enjoyed, suffered, succeeded, failed and more and have survived. In the 21st century older people are more recognized for their abilities and accomplishments than ever before. But, this isn't recent news. In 1988 President Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation declaring August 21 as National Senior Citizen Day. According to an article in the Elderbridge Agency on Aging newsletter, it was "created to support, honor and show appreciation to older adults. The day was also created to recognize their achievements and contributions to society"

Back in the day "grandma and grandpa" retired from their life's work and become sedentary. The picture of older people sitting in rocking chairs, knitting or petting the cat in their lap has convinced some younger people that once you hit a certain age (we'll say 65 for the sake of argument) your useful life is pretty much over and you'll just take up a space somewhere until God calls you home. In 2021 nothing could be further from the truth, at least for those who have been able to retain their health, interests, relationships with others and willingness to continue to learn and enjoy activities. The term "lifelong learner" is so true…people are learning new languages, how to play new games, how to cook new things and much, much more after retirement. And that doesn't even include those who have decided to do the traveling they didn't have time to enjoy while working. Bus trips are wonderful for those who don't enjoy driving any longer.

In Northwood the Senior Center has long been seen as simply the place where older people can go for a nourishing and tasty noon meal…and little else. While the meal part is still very true, the building is also being used to provide social contact, fun, learning opportunities and education for those who will take the time to join the activities. Research has shown over and over that people who maintain social connections, use available opportunities to stay healthy and who exercise their brains to learn new things are happier and more likely not to become depressed or have severe memory problems. While the Senior Center will not be open on National Senior Citizens Day because it falls on a Saturday this year, there will be more and more opportunities to experience the opportunities it has over the coming weeks and months.

Carpenter celebrates 150 years this weekend

The community of Carpenter is celebrating its sesquicentennial this weekend with a variety of events and activities throughout the weekend.

That begins on Friday, August 20, at 7 p.m. with an opening ceremony.

Food and beverages will be served in the community center.

The band Bad Habits will perform starting at 8 p.m.

Saturday's events will be so big that the town has divided them into two locations.

All those 6 and up can get admission to all events with a button for $10. Buttons are available at Carpenter Bar & Grill.

Food and beverages will be available at both sites.

On the west end, a tractor pull starts at 10 a.m. Those with questions may call 641-390-1396 or 641-390-0105.

A mechanical bull will be there all day for those who may want to try to ride.

A rodeo will be held at 7 p.m. Those with questions may call 641-344-2566 or 641-748-6024.

Fireworks will close the day from the west end at 10 p.m.

On the east side, events at the community center start with a volleyball tournament at 9 a.m. Those interested may call 641-832-8257.

Registration for a car show will start at 8 a.m., with the show going from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Those interested in the car sow may call 641-420-7450 or 641-590-5700.

Kid games will take place from 1-5 p.m.

Pony rides will be offered from 2-5 p.m.

Music will begin at 9 p.m.

Sunday begins with a church service at 9:30 a.m.

The parade follows at 11 a.m.

A pork loin dinner will be served at noon.

An all school reunion will be held at 1:30 p.m.

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Many weather experts predict a destructive disaster season this year. The American Red Cross needs volunteers to help on the ground and blood and platelet donors to roll up a sleeve to maintain a stable blood supply in the face of emergencies.

“We’re preparing for another extremely busy disaster season, and it’s critical to have a trained, ready volunteer workforce to make sure we can provide relief at a moment’s notice,” said Jill Orton, Region Executive of the American Red Cross of Nebraska-Iowa. “This year’s wildfire season is already very active and dangerous because of the severe drought and dry woodlands across the west. And experts are predicting we could see 10 or more hurricanes in the upcoming weeks. Additionally, we need to ensure we can continue to respond to disasters locally, such as home fires or severe storms.”

Shelter volunteers and health professionals needed

The Red Cross needs new volunteers to support disaster shelters. Volunteers will help with reception, registration, food distribution, dormitory, information collection and other vital tasks inside disaster shelters.

The Red Cross also needs volunteers who can work in disaster shelters to address people’s health needs and provide hands-on care in alignment with their professional licensure (registered nurse and licensed practical nurse/licensed vocational nurse). Daily observation and health screening for COVID-19-like illness among shelter residents may also be required. "We have both associate and supervisory level opportunities available. If you are an RN, LPN, LVN, APRN, NP, EMT, paramedic, MD/DO or PA with a current and unencumbered license, this position could be right for you."

After most disasters this year, the Red Cross plans to open group shelters. However, in some communities, hotels may be more appropriate if the risk of COVID-19, including the delta variant, is particularly high. The Red Cross will also continue many of the safety precautions implemented in 2020, including masks, health screenings, enhanced cleaning procedures and encouraging social distancing.

Disaster action team member

Local Disaster Action Teams provide 24-hour emergency response to local disasters, particularly home fires, ensuring that those affected have access to resources for basic necessities such as food, shelter and clothing. If you are team-oriented and want to help your neighbor, the DAT responder may be just the thing for you.

In Iowa last year, the Red Cross provided immediate emergency assistance to 952 households after 604 home fires and other disasters.

"If you want to make a difference and are interested in helping your community should a disaster occur here at home or across the country, please redcross.org/volunteer."

Blood and platelet donors needed

Wildfires, record-breaking heat and a busy hurricane season can also impact the nation’s blood supply. On top of the toll extreme weather events take on the lives of millions, disasters can cause blood drive closures or prevent donors from being able to give safely. Eligible donors can help overcome the critical need for blood and ensure blood is readily available by making an appointment to give by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

As a thank-you, those who come to donate throughout the month of August will get a free 4-month special offer to Apple Music by email (new subscribers only). Details are available at RedCrossBlood.org/FeelTheBeat.

The next local blood donation opportunity will be on Monday, August 23, at 6 p.m. at the Diamond Jo Casino.

To donate blood, individuals need to bring a blood donor card or driver’s license or two other forms of identification that are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also must meet certain height and weight requirements.

Donors can also save up to 15 minutes at the blood drive by completing a RapidPass®. With RapidPass®, donors complete the pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of donation, from a mobile device or computer. To complete a RapidPass®, follow the instructions at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or use the Red Cross Blood Donor App.

In most cases, those who have received a COVID-19 vaccine can donate. However, knowing the name of the manufacturer of the vaccine they received is important in determining donation eligibility.





Still wading

Young people taking part in Worth County Conservation’s summer activities have recently spent some time wading through area streams, as well as the Shell Rock River. While wading, the kids grabbed and spotted some critters, such as crayfish, catfish, perch, shiners, heron and a collection of items they cleaned from the river.

ACT announces 2021-2022 season

After more than a year of no performances due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the spotlight is returning to the stage as Albert Lea Community Theatre (ACT) announces its 2021–22 season.

ACT will open its 56th season with “Doublewide, Texas,” a hilarious, fast-paced comedy written by Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope and Jamie Wooten, and directed by Brian Mattson, which will be performed on September 23–October 2, 2021. The inhabitants of one of the smallest trailer parks in Texas are thrown for a loop when they realize the nearby town of Tugaloo is determined to annex them. The rollicking mayhem of this flat-out funny comedy escalates as the residents attempt to secede from the state of Texas.

The second show will celebrate the holiday season with “A Christmas Story, The Musical,” written by Joseph Robinette with music and lyrics by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul. Directed by Glen Parsons, this musical about the movie classic will run December 2–12, 2021. It's based on the movie that runs round-the-clock on TV every Christmas. Set in the 1940s in the fictional town of Homan, Indiana, the show follows nine-year-old Ralphie and his quest for the Holy Grail of Christmas gifts — an official Red Ryder carbine-action 200-shot Range Model air rifle.

“Deathtrap” is a drama written by Ira Levin and directed by George Favell, and will be performed March 17–26, 2022. This classic thriller provides twists and turns of devilish cleverness that leaves audiences spellbound until the very last moment. Sidney Bruhl, a successful writer of thrillers, is struggling to overcome a dry spell which has resulted in a string of failures and a shortage of funds. A possible break in his fortunes occurs when he receives a script from a student from one of his seminars — a thriller that Sidney recognizes immediately as a potential Broadway smash. Sidney's plan, devised with his wife's help, is to offer collaboration to the student for co-credit. Or is it?

For its final production of the 56th season, ACT will present “Willy Wonka” from June 16–26, 2022. Directed by Gordy Handeland, this fantastic musical is based on the book “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory” by Roald Dahl with music and lyrics by Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley, and adapted for the stage by Leslie Bricusse and Timothy

Allen McDonald. The delicious adventures experienced by Charlie Bucket on his visit to

Willy Wonka’s mysterious chocolate factory will light up the stage, featuring the enchanting songs from the 1971 film starring Gene Wilder. “Willy Wonka” is a scrumdidilyumptious musical guaranteed to delight a persons sweet tooth and take on a fantasy ride into the land of pure imagination!

Season tickets can be purchased at actonbroadway.com or by filling out a season ticket brochure form, available at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center box office or at the Albert Lea Convention and Visitors Bureau. The box office is open Thursdays from 3:30–5:30 p.m. A season ticket is $60 for all four shows – a savings of $10. Beginning Aug. 1, individual show tickets may be purchased online, at the box office, or by calling 1-877-730-3144, a toll-free, 24/7 automated service.

Albert Lea Community Theatre in a nonprofit organization featuring local actors, directors and stage crew who volunteer their time. All performances are at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center, 147 North Broadway in downtown Albert Lea. For ticket prices and more information go to actonbroadway.com or find ACT on Broadway on Facebook.













Not too corny

It was a team effort recently as the residents of the Lutheran Retirement Home enjoyed some fresh sweet corn, courtesy of Brian Nelson.

Emerald Ash Borer found in Worth

Emerald ash borer has been found in Calhoun, Winnebago and Worth counties for the first time. This invasive insect has now been found in 84 of Iowa's 99 counties since its first detection in 2010.

Insect samples were collected from Farnhamville (Calhoun County), Forest City (Winnebago County) and Manly (Worth County). Officials with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health and Inspection Service confirmed these samples were positive for EAB.

EAB threatens all ash species. The wood-boring insect feeds on the inner bark tissue, disrupting the transport of water and nutrients. The cumulative damage of EAB feeding eventually kills the tree. Infested trees usually die within two to four years.

Indicators of an infestation may include canopy thinning, leafy sprouts shooting from the trunk or main branches, serpentine ("S"-shaped) galleries under the bark, bark splitting, woodpecker damage, and 1/8-inch D-shaped exit holes.

While the adult beetle can fly short distances, people have contributed to the spread of this pest by moving infested material, including firewood. People are reminded to use locally-sourced firewood where it will be burned to help limit the spread of EAB and other invasive pests.

Now is the time to decide a course of action for ash trees at risk of EAB attack (within 15 miles of a known infestation). Landowners and managers can choose to wait and see what happens, remove declining ash trees and replace them with other species, or use preventive insecticide treatments to preserve



and protect valuable and healthy ash trees. Spring, from mid-April to mid-May, is the best time to treat for EAB. Insecticides are most effective when the ash tree is actively growing, and uptake is at its peak. Tree service companies can apply insecticide trunk injections through the summer if soil moisture is available.

See Iowa State University Extension and Outreach publication ENT57, Emerald Ash Borer Management Options, for more details about EAB treatment.

The State of Iowa monitors the spread of EAB on a county-by-county basis. Before a county can be declared positive, a life stage of the insect must be collected and confirmed. Anyone who suspects an infested ash tree in a new location is encouraged to contact one of the following:

Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, State Entomologist Office, 515-725-1470.

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, Entomology, 515-294-1101.

Iowa Department of Natural Resources, 515-725-8453.

Additional information on EAB, including a county detection map, can be found at iowatreepests.com.

For additional information, contact any of the following members of the Iowa EAB Team:

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Donald Lewis, ISU Extension and Outreach entomologist, 515-294-1101, drlewis@iastate.edu.

Robin Pruisner, IDALS state entomologist, 515-725-1470, Robin.Pruisner@IowaAgriculture.gov.

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Jeff Goerndt, DNR state forester, 515-725-8452, Jeff.Goerndt@dnr.iowa.gov.

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New physician leader announced at Mayo

Sumit Bhagra, M.D., has been selected as the new Site Lead Physician for Mayo Clinic Health System in Albert Lea and Austin. The Site Lead Physician role combines the responsibilities of the current site CEO and site medical director positions.

Dr. Bhagra has served as the Albert Lea/Austin medical director since 2015, partnering with CEO Mark Ciota, M.D. to lead the Albert Lea/Austin practice. Dr. Ciota announced earlier this year that he would rotate out of his leadership role after 25 years of outstanding leadership and service to staff, patients and communities.

Dr. Bhagra is a consultant in Endocrinology and an assistant professor of Medicine at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science. He has practiced in Albert Lea and Austin since 2009, specializing in diabetes care and other metabolic conditions. After receiving his medical training at the All-India Institute of Medical Sciences in New Delhi, India, Dr. Bhagra completed a residency in Internal Medicine at Mayo School of Graduate Medical Education and a fellowship in the Mayo Clinic Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes, Metabolism and Nutrition.

As the Site Lead Physician, Dr. Bhagra will partner with Vice Chair of Administration Kristin Johnson and Nurse Administrator Lori Routh to provide oversight for the overall operations in Albert Lea and Austin, ensuring alignment with regional goals and targets.

Dr. Bhagra's official start date in his new role was August 9. In the coming weeks, he will work closely with Dr. Ciota to ensure a smooth transition of duties as Dr. Ciota rotates out of his leadership role.

Northwood Anchor

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Sunday, Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly
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Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Bethany Lutheran Church/Elk Creek Lutheran
Thursday, MANNA Open 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.; Saturday, Kensett Town & Country Festival; Sunday, Worship - Bethany, 9 a.m.; Monday, MANNA Open, 10 a.m. - Noon
Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan
Sunday, Worship Service, 9:10 a.m., Coffee Fellowship, 10 a.m.
Pastor Cory Allard

Northwood United Methodist Church
Wednesday, Fellowship with Pastor, 7 p.m.; Sunday, Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.
Rev. Rob Lanphere

One In Christ Lutheran Parish
Sunday, Worship Services 10:30 a.m. available online at "One in Christ Lutheran Parish" Facebook Page and YouTube under "One in Christ Lutheran Parish."

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First Lutheran Church, Northwood
Wednesday, SH Youth, 7 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Group, 9 a.m., Taekwondo, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Outdoor Worship Service, 9 a.m., JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, AA-Al-Anon, 7:30 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Church, Northwood
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Rev. Barbara M. Wills, Pastor

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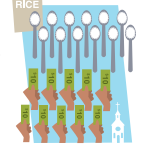
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Rallying Help



There is an old Chinese proverb which says, in effect, that one person cannot easily feed twelve hungry people, but twelve people can easily feed one hungry person. By each of the twelve giving one spoonful of rice to the hungry person, he or she will be well-fed. Sometimes a person needs help and a single person can come to their aid, but sometimes we need to "raise a barn" and thus require the help of a larger group. Rallying the help of a larger group can be difficult because it may require us to ask many individuals for help, but on the other hand, it doesn't require us to ask a whole lot of any single person. Ten people may be ready and willing to each give $10 apiece in order to help someone pay their electric bill whereas one person may be hard-pressed to come up with the $100 needed. Most cultures have sayings to express these communal efforts, such as the African proverb "It takes a village to raise a child." Remember, no man is an island, and though we might be reluctant to ask for help, we all need it from time to time.

"In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' " – R.S.V. Acts 20:35

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Cook Bookin'

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Bulwer Lytton, Edward Robert



by Sandy Olson

To contact Sandy Olson for comments or suggestions, please email her at: midwestfoodie@gmail.com

I have garlic running through my veins! Most people have blood, either regular red stuff or blue (if you are royalty or a member of Tom Selleck's television family!). It comes from the Mirabelli side of my family. My mother used garlic in everything except dessert although once she mistakenly threw garlic powder into tapioca pudding and tried to pass it off on us hoping no one would notice. We did! Publications Ltd, Lincolnwood, Illinois, published a series of cookbooks using name-brand products. "Favorite Brand Name Great Garlic Recipes" (1997) is a garlic-lovers dream. The name brands are mentioned but, of course, as a cook you can substitute any brand of ingredient you enjoy. I've adapted some of the recipes in that regard. Please remember that the large ball of garlic is a head; a clove is one of the pieces that make up the head.

Marshall's Garlic Popcorn

10-12 cloves of garlic, thinly sliced
4-5 tablespoons vegetable oil
1/2 cup unpopped popcorn kernels
1 tablespoon real butter
Garlic salt
Parmesan cheese (optional)

Rub the garlic slices over the bottom of an electric popcorn maker or large heavy saucepan. Cook and stir the garlic slices in the oil in a small skillet until golden brown; watch that they don't burn which happens easily since garlic has a high sugar content. Drain to remove the garlic slices, reserving the oil in a separate bowl. Pour the oil into the corn popper or the saucepan and add the popcorn. Pop as usual. Melt the butter and combine with the reserved garlic slices. After the popcorn is finished, place in serving bowls and toss with the garlic butter. Season with garlic and Parmesan cheese if desired.

Black Gold Sauce For Steak or Burgers

3/4 cup finely chopped yellow onion
2 tablespoons real butter
6 large cloves garlic, finely minced
1 tablespoon brown sugar
3/4 cup A.1. ® Steak Sauce, any variety (original or Bold etc.)

In a heavy medium skillet over medium heat, melt the butter and sauté the onion and garlic until golden but not brown. Stir in the sugar. Reduce the heat to low; cook 10 minutes more, stirring occasionally to prevent sticking. Add the steak sauce and blend well. Keep warm and serve over steak or on a hamburger.

Pork Chops in Creamy Garlic Sauce

1 cup low-salt chicken broth
1/2 teaspoon olive oil
15 peeled/crushed garlic cloves
1 tablespoon minced parsley
4 boneless pork loin chops
1/2 teaspoon dried tarragon
1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
2 tablespoons water
1 tablespoon dry sherry (optional)
2 cups cooked white rice

Use loin chops that are about 1/4" thick. Place the chicken broth and garlic in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil over high heat, cover, reduce heat to low. Simmer 25-30 minutes or until the garlic mashed easily with a fork. Set aside to cool then process in a blender until smooth. Heat the oil in a heavy skillet over medium-high heat. Add the chops and cook about 1 1/2 minutes on each side to brown them. Pour the garlic sauce into the skillet, sprinkle with the parsley and tarragon, salt and pepper. Bring to a boil, cover and reduce the heat to low. Simmer 10-15 minutes or until the pork is juicy and barely pink in the center. Remove pork from the skillet and keep warm. Combine the flour and water in a small cup. Pour slowly into the skillet to create a gravy. Bring to a boil. Cook and stir until the mixture thickens. If using the sherry, stir it in now. Place the rice on a platter, top with the chops and pour the garlic sauce over it all.

Fresh garlic is always superior in cooking to the jarred type. It's also really easy to grow as I did this year. You plant the cloves in the fall and harvest them in July. Be sure to buy any garlic you plant from a seed house or nursery as what's in the grocery store has been treated with something to make it more shelf stable. My Mirabelli genes jump with joy when I taste garlic! And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society

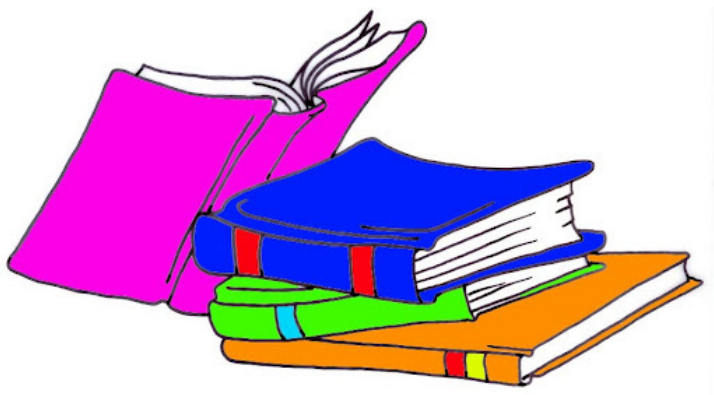


Worth County 4-H livestock judging team champions at North Iowa Fair

The Worth County 4-H Junior Livestock Team members were champions at the North Iowa Fair Judging Contest. Winning team members included (from left) coach Worth County Extension Education Specialist Dennis Johnson, Adylyn Peterson, Kendal Kruger, Khloe Kruger and Owen Binnobose. All four Worth County 4-H team members placed in the top 10. The top three North Iowa teams were the Worth County champions, West Fork FFA Reserve Champions and Hancock County 4-H competing for third place overall.

Northwood Public Library

By Morgan Johnson
Library Director



What happened to summer? It just flew by for us at the library! We had almost 70 kids sign up for our summer reading program and numerous others who participated in our events.

These events could not have been possible without the support of our community. The donations we received in the spring of 2020 helped fund our activities this summer. Specifically, we want to thank Worth Mutual/Olson Insurance, Kenison Construction, Farmers State Bank, and Northwood State Bank for their donations. Because of their support we had story times, prizes, tie-dying, painting, ice cream, freezies, the Blank Park Zoo, and a pool party! Also special thanks to Carolyn Reeder for leading the kids in a painting activity and for Nancy and Linda who are always willing to give me a hand with all our other activities! The kids enjoy all the fun and most importantly it kept them READing through the summer! We are already looking ahead to next summer. If you or the company you work for would like to make a donation to our summer reading program please contact Morgan at 324-1340 or email her at morgan@northwood.lib.ia.us.

The library has hopes to start up more programming this fall, but as COVID numbers rise we will be keeping our patrons' health in mind. At this time we don't have any specific events planned, but we will share in our next newsletter, post on Facebook and to our website if and when we do. If you have any specific suggestions for programming, please contact us at the library. We are happy to hear suggestions.

New at the library this month:

Adult Fiction: "Fallen" by Linda Castillo, "The forest of vanishing stars" by Kristin Harmel, "You are not alone" by Greer Hendricks, "Such a quiet place" by Megan Miranda, "The bone code" by Kathy Reichs, "The cellist" by Daniel Silva, and "Nine lives" by Danielle Steel.

Large Print: "Target Acquired" by Tom Clancy, "Call me Elizabeth Lark" by Melissa Colasanti, "Hooked on you" by Kathleen Fuller, "The letter keeper" by Charles Martin, "Forever my own" by Tracie Peterson, "Obsession" by Patricia Bradley, "Family Reunion" by Nancy Thayer, and "The last green valley" by Mark Sullivan. And look for even more large print titles in the upcoming months as we received a monetary donation to be used towards more large print titles!

Thank you for your continued support of the library. As always, feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you might have. We hope to see you at the library soon!

WCTA announces board candidates

Winnebago Cooperative Telecom Association's (WCTA) Nominating Committee members Gisle Bartleson, Harold Brunsvold, Steven L. Brunsvold, Robert Keil, and Doug Kingland met on Wednesday, August 11.

The Committee nominated a slate of candidates to fill the expiring terms of WCTA Directors Larry Foley, Mike Stensrud and Steve Thorland.

The Nominating Committee named the following members to be on the 2021 ballot: Mark Beal of Kensett, Iowa; Jackie Villela of Lake Mills, Iowa; and Todd Missman of Thompson, Iowa.

WCTA is a member-owned cooperative providing a full range of quality, reliable telecommunication services and products to communities in north central Iowa and south central Minnesota.

WCTA members will receive ballots and notices prior to the September 23 Annual Meeting. Members can vote by mail or in person at the meeting.

The September 23 meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Lake Mills High School Gym and via web conference.

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Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Laborshed study to be conducted in Winnebago and Worth counties

Winn-Worth Betco is partnering with Iowa Workforce Development (IWD) and Iowa Economic Development Authority to complete a Laborshed employment study for the two-county area. This study will geographically define which communities contribute to the two-county workforce, regardless of political boundaries. This defined area is called a Laborshed area and is based upon commuting patterns.

The purpose of this Laborshed study is to measure the availability and characteristics of Winnebago and Worth County's area workers. Laborshed studies are useful tools for economic development teams and existing or prospective employers to understand the local labor market, make informed expansion and site selection decisions, and maintain/recruit a high-quality workforce.

For the success of this study, we are sending letters to randomly selected households asking residents to take a confidential online survey. Survey questions will cover topics such as: employment status, current and desired wages, current and desired benefits, education level, and type of occupation, among other things. However, Iowa Workforce Development will not be asking survey takers identifiable information such as: name, social security number, or date of birth. Participation in this workforce study is greatly appreciated regardless of employment status whether you are currently employed, unemployed, a homemaker, retired, etc. Your input is highly valued.

Following the conclusion of the online surveying efforts IWD will conduct telephone surveying in the area through a third-party vendor. The survey call originates out of Missouri and the incoming number will have the 573-area code. The same survey questions asked in the online survey will be asked of those who participate in the survey on the phone and again, no identifying information will be collected. All the survey answers collected will be combined and reported together. Individual answers are completely confidential.

Every year Iowa Workforce Development conducts Laborshed studies across the State. The results of each analysis are publicly available online at www.iowalmi.gov/laborshed. If you have any questions about the Laborshed project, please contact Katie Lippold at 515-281-3035.

Thank you for your support and participation.

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Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

Welcome to the Eat Around It Cafe.

Would you like to hear today's special?

Sure.

OK. Today's special.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. Don't panic! Summer isn't over yet, even though my body's composition has become 52% sweet corn. There are fly numbers high enough to remind us it's still summer. My wife and I were on the deck. She held the flyswatter. A fly landed on my head. She said it was the easiest decision of her life.

I stopped at the Dairy Queen in Janesville to buy a Dilly Bar. I'm partial to the cherry-coated soft-serve ice cream on a stick. There are other dips, but this dip doesn't bother with them. The Dilly Bar became a go-to treat for many during the pandemic. It was created at a Dairy Queen in Moorhead in 1955. A customer said it was a dilly, meaning remarkable or outstanding, and the name stuck. There is a 12-foot tall Dilly Bar to mark the spot in Moorhead. The Dilly Bar I enjoyed that day and on prior days in Janesville was a dilly. The temperature was high on my last visit, so I dared not dillydally in its consumption. Your mother, as mine did, warned you to not dillydally (loiter or dawdle) when sending you on an errand. I recommend you don't dillydally while enjoying a Dilly Bar on such a summer's day.

The things we do for love

I waited in the car for my appointment. I was early, which gave me time to decompress. I listened to a Leon Redbone CD and marveled at how every business had been renamed "Now hiring." A young mother parked her van nearby. There were three youngsters strapped into car seats. Despite her expertise, it took considerable time for her to extricate the three kiddos. The four of them went into a store. By the time she'd put them in their places later and freed them at home, that process likely exceeded the time she spent on her errand.

I grew up around a good number of folks with Irish heritage, even though I don't know what that good number is. Sometimes, at the cemetery, a bottle of Irish whiskey was passed. A mourner took a sip to wash down the tears.

My late mother-in-law's favorite beverage was Mountain Dew. I don't like the stuff. Friends and family gathered not long after her death and each saluted her by drinking a small glass of Mountain Dew. The soft drink made me shudder, but I loved my mother-in-law. The Mountain Dew washed down the tears.

A fair day

My wife and I walked the county fair. We strolled by the onion rings stand. We knew from experience those rings were tasty. Their aroma was inviting. "Those onion rings smell great," said my wife. I love my wife, so we walked past the stand again.

Bad joke department

A man was on his deathbed in his bedroom. "Mary, my wife, are you here with me?" "Yes, I am, dearest." "And Lionel, my brother, are you here with me?" "Yes, I am, Lawrence, I'm here with you." "And you, my children, are you here, Linda and Lloyd?" "Yes, we are, Daddy." "Then why is the living room light still on?"

On his deathbed, Grandpa said to me, "Remember these two words. They'll open many doors for you. Push and pull."

Nature notes

A study found squirrels average 14.9 hours of sleep each day in a nest called a drey composed of twigs and sticks, and lined with moss, bark, grass and leaves. They typically build a nest at least 20 feet high in the fork of a tree. It's common for squirrels to have second and third nests used for food storage, a temporary rest stop or to avoid predators.

Curt Nelson of Albert Lea was in Florida when he put his hearing aid on an outdoor table and a gull flew down and grabbed it. It never brought the hearing aid back. Gulls show little remorse.

Swallows and dragonflies fed on ant swarms over the yard. The famed swallow that returns to Mission San Juan Capistrano in California is the cliff swallow. When I was a dear boy, it was called a "bridge swallow" and returned to the dentist's office once a year. The part about the dentist is untrue. With the expansion of road infrastructure, the swallows adopted bridges, overpasses and culverts as colonial nesting sites. I've heard them called "jug swallows" because of the shape of their mud nests.

Meeting adjourned

Sometimes miracles are good people with kind hearts.

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Fit to print...

What does the climate report mean for Iowa?

Bt Jerry Schnoor
Iowa Capital Dispatch
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The United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change released its sixth state-of-the-science report [last] week, and it should be alarming for Iowa, the nation, and the world.

Climate change is powerfully upon us with heat waves, ice melts and extreme events occurring much more frequently and intensely than originally projected. In California, Greece and Turkey, climate change is evidenced by unprecedented wildfires. In British Columbia, Seattle and the Northwest, it caused a heat wave so severe the human signature of greenhouse gases was unmistakable. In Belgium, Germany, China and Omaha, climate change manifests in extreme rainfall and flooding.

It seems half the world is on fire, and the other half is in flood. These are "climate disasters" — never say "natural disasters," because the human element is now so strong. Many locales are becoming "uninsurable" for floods and wildfires. That is the first step to being uninhabitable. We are in danger of handing a wrecked planet to our kids and grandkids.

For Iowa, it means we can expect more intense rainfall events and increased flooding due to increased ocean and air temperatures. Warm air holds more water. Still, these precipitation events will be likely punctuated by occasional heat waves and drought because soil moisture dries out faster in a warmer atmosphere.

In Iowa, we have decreased our greenhouse gas emissions by about 5% over the past 10 years. But that is not nearly fast enough. We need to have a 50% reduction by 2030 and net-zero in 2050 to contribute to stabilizing climate. We have improved our emissions in Iowa by replacing coal power with wind energy, and that must continue. But the missing piece is a massive build-out needed in utility-scale and distributed solar photovoltaics. Iowa wind and solar power go very well together, and investment in our electrical infrastructure and grid will also be needed. Incorporating carbon from the atmosphere into rich Iowa soils as organic carbon can be accomplished with a move toward regenerative agriculture, perennial crops, cover crops, buffer zones and prairie strips.

It is difficult for me to see how we can keep global warming below 1.5 degrees Celsius, the goal of the Paris agreement, because we are already near 1.2 degrees C warmer (2.16 degrees F) and countries have not met their pledges for reduced emissions so far. Even if they meet their obligations under the 2015 Paris agreement, we expect global warming to be 3 degrees C by 2100 (5.4 degrees F).

Truly we are witnessing a climate crisis, and it requires much faster action toward renewable energy now. Climate action creates jobs, pristine air quality, better health, and a stable system for future generations.

Jerry Schnoor is a professor of civil and environmental engineering and co-director of the Center for Global and Regional Environmental Research at the University of Iowa.

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Early Files

100 years ago

August 17, 1921

A scene that will never be forgotten by those who witnessed it was enacted one mile east of Mason City when two airplanes crashed to the ground and caused the death of two men and serious injuries to another. Dead are W.W. Johnson, Mason City, pilot of one plane and Ray Koch, Waterloo, who was mounting from one plane to the other of a suspended cable ladder.

Paul G. Thonn, assistant county attorney, Sheriff H.A. Gullickson, and C.S. Rye, vice president of the Citizen's Saving Bank of Hanlontown, retired on Sunday from Chicago, where they had again been called to consult with state and federal officials regarding the case of Mrs. Florence Shomo, held on suspicion of knowing something about the Hanlontown bank robbery, which she has not divulged. As a result of new evidence secured partly through activities of Worth County officials Mrs. Shomo was indicted by the county grand jury and held for appearance under bond of $3,500.

Mrs. C.F. Littfield went down to Des Moines on Friday to purchase the season's stock of the Littlefield Millinery store.

Last Friday at 10:30 o'clock Miss Vera Mae Phelps of Glenwood, Iowa, was united in marriage to Sherman S. Shaffer. The ceremony was performed at the Methodist parsonage in Northwood, by the groom's father, Rev. Thos. P. Shaffer.

H.C. Finch, of Northwood, Iowa, general agent for the Equitable Life Insurance company of Iowa, won first prize in the June drive contest by selling the largest amount of business for the company. Mr. Finch has won so many prizes that he has probably lost track of them; nevertheless, it is no small distinction to be at the top of a list of agents covering communities many times larger than this territory.

75 years ago

August 15, 1946

Herman H. Schulte, former state representative from Worth County, and pioneer resident of the Manly vicinity, died on Sunday evening at his home in Manly after a long period of failing health. He was 82 years of age.

An explosion in the old gas line of the Northern Natural Gas Co. last Saturday at about 2 p.m., one mile southwest of Joice, caused a roar that at first led residents of Joice to think that a plane had crashed.

That corn in the territory adjacent to Northwood is suffering by the lack of rain is the statement of farmers living in those areas, which include one section between Northwood and the Emmons-Lake Mills vicinity, and one near London, in Freeborn County.

Marvin R. Olson, 26, who attended Northwood High School and lived with his parents in this vicinity for several years, was electrocuted last Thursday night, in Mason City when a broken electric wire fell on him wile he was attempting to dry out the ignition of his car, which had stalled at 12th Street and N. Jefferson Avenue during a heavy rainstorm.

Attendance totals for the 1946 Worth County Fair are estimated at around 15,000 for the three nights, which is approximately the same as that of the 1945 fair, based on figures obtained from the fair officials. Threatening weather and the polio scare undoubtedly cut down the attendance and deprived the 1946 fair of setting an attendance record.

A system of garbage collection in the alleys of the business part of town was put into operation last Friday by the street committee of the town council, with the cooperation of Dr. M.P. Allison, Northwood health officer.

50 years ago

August 19, 1971

A world famous Barnes RCA championship rodeo will be held on Saturday, beginning at 2 p.m., in Carpenter as a part of the centennial celebration there. Special feature will be the world famous clown, Quail Dobbs and his performing automobile. Tickets are available at the Anchor and Hanson's Barber Shop in Northwood.

Three correct answers were given in the guessing contest at the Worth County Fair Republican booth. Winning #3.03 (which was the number of pennies in a jar) were Mrs. Dale Sime, Mrs. L.S. Barnes and Don Hudson.

Pastor Lehmann is recovering in St. Mary's hospital in Rochester from severe neck injuries sustained in a one-car accident on Wednesday evening. His room number is 2-302. He is now out of intensive care. The accident happened just west of Carpenter on the blacktop curve to join 105, on his way homeward about 6 p.m. He was taken by ambulance to Memorial Hospital at Osage and then transferred to St. Mary's at Rochester.

Arlen R. Gullickson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gullickson, Northwood, was awarded a PhD degree in commencement exercises at the University of Colorado, Boulder, on August 14. He is a graduate of Northwood-Kensett High School and received his bachelors and masters degree at University of Northern Iowa. He taught two years at St. Ansgar, one year in Germany and two years at Cottage Grove, Minn. Mrs. Gullickson is the former Janet Werffel, formerly of rural St. Ansgar.

Construction of the new Northwood State Bank building began on Monday and added new life to many sidewalk engineers who have been supervising the project. The new facility will be located on the corner of Central Avenue and North Ninth Street, the site of the former Ford garage building.

25 years ago

August 14, 1996

Kim Ingersoll and Mary Jo Luebbert led more than 200 students and parents in hymn-singing on Friday night at the start of the final session of Northwood's ecumenical Bible School in Swensrud Park. The week long event —sponsored by the Northwood Baptist, First Lutheran and United Methodist churches — was entitled "A.D. 49" and featured a recreation of Mediterranean life and the missionary journeys of the apostle Paul.

Otto Ostby points to George Lindflott's name on the Kensett "Name Quilt" on display at Ott's Diner in Kensett.

Northwood businesses will be offering ridiculously low prices on selected merchandise this coming Saturday, August 17, when the Northwood Chamber of Commerce observes its annual Crazy Day. In some cats, prices will be slashed as much as 75 per cent and some items will go for less than a dollar.

Northwood Lions Club president Russell Herberg watched as Lions treasurer Mike Godfrey pinned a 30-year award on the collar of retiring member Floyd Skellenger. Skellenger's wife Verna participated in the ceremony during the organization's annual banquet last Friday at the Northwood Country Club.

Buck Pangburn and Brad Hengesteg showed off the trophies they won last week at the 1996 Midwest Steer Show in Austin. Hengesteg exhibited the grand champion steer and Pangburn showed the reserve grand champion.

Michelle Smothers won the championship, her sister Chris Quisley took runner-up honors and Jane Bloomingdale placed third in the women's competition at the Northwood Country Club's members golf tournament on Sunday.

Northwood residents Al Venz and Tom Doughan palmed first and second, respectively, Tom Belshan of Glenville finished third Sunday in the men's completion at the Northwood Country Club annual members' golf tournament.

10 years ago

August 17, 2011

Worth County Izaak Walton member Don Anderson stands in the prairie that he and his fellow "Ikes" maintain. The Izaak Walton League chapter in Worth County maintain the building, which is used for a number of activities, including meetings, the monthly fish fry, reunions, church gatherings and more.

As Worth County students prepared for the first day of classes this week, they had some help purchasing the supplies they would need. The WCDA once again distributed $75 Wal-Mart gift cards to each student living in the county. A Central Springs student was happy to receive his card, and Sue Tanner was happy to provide the card on behalf of the WCDA.

ACT gave away two tickets for the NASCAR U.S. Cellular 250 race event scheduled on August 6, 2011, in Newton, Iowa. These tickets were donated by Fastenal of Mason City. The winner of the tickets was Mindy Faas.

This crew of family members travels throughout the world documenting resorts and casinos. Their latest stop brought them to the Diamond Jo casino. It also brought them to Northwood. And while it was their first visit in Northwood, Iowa, it was not their first time spent in a town called Northwood. Before they became a globe-traveling film crew, they lived in the town of Northwood, in Middlesex, England, about 25 minutes from London.

On Saturdays, Central Avenue in Northwood, in front of the Worth County Historical Society's Main Museum, is the place to be for those looking to pick up some fresh fruits and vegetables, as well as other items available at the weekly farmers market. Pictured was Richard Rice, from Joice, who brings items from a huge garden. His wife sells some of their vegetables in Lake Mills as well.

Northwood Anchor

Obituaries

JoAnn Ciavarelli White

JoAnn Ciavarelli White passed away on the 6th of August at the Good Samaritan Nursing Home, St. Ansgar.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, Oct. 14, at 2 p.m. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 13, from 5-7 p.m. at Schroeder & Sites Funeral Home.

She was born on December 12, 1929, in Clarksville, Iowa by a midwife. She grew up in Manly and met her husband, Arthur White, in 1946 and they were married on June 22, 1947. They raised their three children, Danny, Bruce and JoDee in the small community of Grafton.

JoAnn was known for her many talents. She loved animals of all kinds. She was a midwife to pigs and raised them for many years. She loved going to garage sales and thrift stores. That was a happy place for her. And most of all her flowers. It was her passion and she shared her bounty with all those around her. She spent so many hours out in her flower bed weeding and keeping everything looking nice.



JOANN CIAVARELLI WHITE

Art and JoAnn spent 47 winters in Arizona and while all the other yards in their retirement park had lava rock, hers was a beautiful paradise of roses and all exotic flowers. Passersby would often stop and request a tour and she was always happy to entertain this request.

On the farm it was no different. It was, as they say, "another happy place." Another one of her talents was baking. She is credited with blessing many with her beautiful wedding cakes. And let us not forget her "Easter hats." The members of the Bolan church looked forward to seeing what she would come up with each year. And she never disappointed. Most of her life was spent raising her children and being a farm wife.

She did take a job at the Sugar Beet factory in Mason City for a short time. She also worked at Carrol George and Mode O day. She was a very active member of the Bolan church. And she helped at Turkey Days.

She was preceded in death by Martha and Vito Ciavarelli; brothers, Joe, Vergene, Tony, Errol, Dennis; half sister, Carmen and Patsy.

Left to honor her memory are her husband, Art; son, Danny and wife, JoLynn; daughter, Jodee Shadrick and husband, Ralph; son, Bruce; grandchildren, Heather White and Laurie White; sister, Cheryl and husband, Larry; sister, Charlotte; sisters-in-laws; brother-in-law; and many nieces and nephews.

Irl Madsen

Irl Palmer Madsen, 91, of Northwood passed away on August 8, 2021, after a lengthy illness.

A family graveside service was held at North Shell Rock Cemetery, rural Northwood, Iowa.

Irl P. was born in Worth County, Iowa, on April 9, 1930, the last of seven children to Peder and Ida (Loken) Madsen. Irl graduated from Northwood High School in 1948 and began working at Wilson & Company in Albert Lea, Minnesota. He entered the U.S. Army in September 1951 and served in Europe as a Combat Medical Specialist. After his honorable discharge in August 1953, he returned to Northwood, to his childhood home and began farming, raising a variety of crops and livestock, his vocation for the next 60 years.

Irl married Beverly Norland on January 9, 1954, and during their 67 years of marriage they raised five children and helped raise 19 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.



IRL MADSEN

Irl was above all else a great husband, father and grandfather. He made certain to attend every possible event his children and grandchildren were involved in, from school music concerts to athletic contests. Irl was also interested in soil conservation and was an early adopter of ridge tilling. He served terms as a Township Trustee and as a member of the Worth County Co-op Oil Company board. In addition, Irl served as a member of the Worth County Historical Society and was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Irl is survived by his wife, Beverly of Northwood; children, Ellen (Larry) Chodur of Rudd, Scott (Deanna) Madsen of Northwood, Susan Madsen (William Gansemer) of Mason City, Wayne (Kathy) Madsen of San Angelo, Texas and Alice (Scott) Swehla of Claremont, Calif.

Irl's family appreciates all of the wonderful caregivers from Embrace Home Care, Hospice of North Iowa, and Worth County Public Health who assisted Irl and the family during his illness.

MercyOne to require COVID-19 vaccine for colleagues, physicians and providers

MercyOne will require all colleagues and medical staff to be vaccinated against COVID-19 in all MercyOne health care ministries.

"As a faith-based health ministry, we have pledged to protect the most vulnerable. Our patients and their families expect us to provide a safe environment for their care, and that includes being vaccinated," said MercyOne CEO Bob Ritz.

MercyOne joins more than 100 hospitals and health systems in the U.S. requiring employees to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. With case counts rising amid the spread of the Delta variant, more than 50 health care professional societies and organizations have called for all health care workers to be vaccinated, including the American Medical Association, American Nurses Association, American Academy of Pediatrics, Association of American Medical Colleges and National Association for Home Care and Hospice.

Individuals who are not able to be vaccinated for strongly held religious beliefs or medical reasons will be required to apply for an exemption.

"The safety of our patients, residents, colleagues, physicians and communities is a top priority for us," said MercyOne Chief Medical Executive Dr. Hijinio Carreon. "With more than 350 million doses administered in the United States, we know the COVID-19 vaccines are safe and the single most effective tool in slowing, and even stopping, the spread of virus and saving lives."

MercyOne encourages everyone who is eligible and able to get vaccinated. Vaccines are now widely available in many convenient locations. To find a location, visit MercyOne.org/covid19vaccine.

Less than half of Endow Iowa tax credits remain for 2022

Less than half of Endow Iowa 25% state tax credits remain for 2022, as reported by the Iowa Economic Development Authority this week. As of July 12, approximately $2.7 million in credits remain of the original $6 million available. The Worth County Community Foundation encourages residents across the county to take advantage of the 25% state tax benefit through the Endow Iowa Tax Credit Program by considering a gift to a local cause that is Endow Iowa eligible through the Foundation. Credits are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Due to popularity, Endow Iowa tax credits for calendar year 2021 were expended as of December 2020 and eligible gifts are now being placed on a waiting list for 2022. To qualify to receive the 25% tax credit, gifts must be made to a permanent endowment fund benefiting one or more Iowa charitable causes and be held at an accredited community foundation. The Worth County Community Foundation is an affiliate of the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa which is a nationally accredited foundation. A list of Worth County funds that are Endow Iowa eligible can be found at www.cfneia.org/endowiowaeligible.

The establishment of the Worth County Community Foundation was made possible by the Jaspers Family. 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. Four funds have been named in honor of the Jaspers Family which have laid the foundation for and encourage charitable giving in the community.

The 25% Endow Iowa Tax Credit is in addition to the normal federal deduction for a charitable gift. All qualified donors can carry forward the tax credit for up to five years after the year the donation was made. The Community Foundation recommends donors consult with their tax advisor to review their individual circumstances in order to maximize tax incentive opportunities.

Since its inception in 2004, the Endow Iowa Tax Credit program and has leveraged more than $311 million in endowment gifts to support Iowa communities and charitable causes.

More information about the Endow Iowa Tax Credit Program can be found at www.cfneia.org/endowiowa. Questions can be directed to Terry Gaumer, affiliate development director with the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa, at 319-243-1354 or tgaumer@cfneia.org.

Bolan

On Thursday evening Lori and Kelsie Willert and Linda Nydegger drove to the Oster Regent Theatre in Cedar Falls where the Hoover Presidential Foundation presented the One-Woman Play entitled "First Lady Lou" by Rebecca Christian. Jane Fellows, a professional actor in Portland, Oregon, was commissioned as actor and as director five years ago by the Colonial Dames of Oregon--in co-ordination with the Hoover-Minthorn House Museum in Newberg, Oregon, to share this remarkable story. After each performance she has been fortunate to partner with Leslie Hoover-Lauble, the great-granddaughter of Lou Henry Hoover, for talkback sessions with the audience. Lou was a remarkable woman who celebrated strong women and fought hard for their right to vote and to be active participants in our world.

On Saturday afternoon Linda Nydegger attended the "Celebration of Life" gathering for Shirley Steenhard at the Heritage Town Center in Buffalo Center and visited other relatives in the area.

Supervisors

August 9, 2021
Thirty-second 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 August 9, 2021 board agenda.

Motion by Loberg, second by Smeby, carried to approve the August 2, 2021 board minutes as revised.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve drainage claims in the amount of $40,089.72 as per the following schedule:

Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 24 Prof Services $210.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 49 Prof Services $262.50
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 37 Prof Services $262.50
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 52 Prof Services $210.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 13 Open Main Prof Services . $262.50
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 2 Main Prof Services $25,025.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 11 Main A Prof Services $3,987.50
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 13 Lat 3 Ditch Prof Services $3,908.50
Century Ag, DD 23 Lat 3 Prof Services $5,176.22
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 34 Main E Prof Services $785.00
Grand Total..... $40,089.72

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve claims in the amount of $172,318.90 as per the following schedule:

A & I Auto Body Inc
Service-Phd..... 122.02
Agvantage Fs Inc
Fuel-Wat..... 745.45
Al Venz, Safety-Eng..... 150.00
Aramark, Supplies-Gsr..... 269.44
At&T Mobility
Service-Shf..... 1,595.58
Black Hills Energy Inc
Service-Eng 85.14
City Of Fertile, Rutf-Eng 2,721.93
City Of Grafton
Rutf-Eng 1,564.67
City Of Hanlontown
Rutf-Eng 636.08
City Of Joice, Rutf-Eng... 1,537.70
City Of Kensett, Rutf-Eng . 748.82
City Of Manly, Service-Eng. 58.00
City Of Northwood
Service-Gsr 461.43
Culligan Of Mason City
Service-Gsr 95.00
Falkstone Llc
Rock-Eng 120,704.67
Frames-R-Us
Supplies-Vaf 184.00
Greve Law Office
Rent & Payroll-Aty 6,265.58
Iaccvso, Dues-Vaf 50.00
Imwca
Wk Comp Prem-Ins..... 18,940.00
Isac, Edu-Trs 210.00
Iwwa, Dues-San 75.00
Joel Rohne, Mileage-It/Gis .. 59.36
Nelson Family Trust
Rent-Shf..... 300.00
Ram Systems
Service-Phd..... 720.00
Shred Right, Service-Phd 47.25
State Medical Examiners Office
Service-Mex 2,027.00
Uline Inc
Supplies-Gsr 858.09
Verizon Wireless
Service-Ema 40.01
Visu-Sewer Inc
Service-Wwt 775.00
Wex Bank
Service-Tra 1,940.77
Winnebago Coop Telephone Assn
Service-Gsr 2,407.71
Worth County Engineer
Fuel-Shf 5,864.48
Xerox Corporation
Service-Dap 58.72
Grand Total, 172,318.90

Motion by Loberg, second by Smeby, carried to approve the sheriff's monthly report.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve the proposal for Design Phase Geotechnical Evaluation for the proposed Worth County Courthouse Addition by Chosen Valley Testing, Inc. for $2,600.00. Other bidders, as presented by FEH Design were: Construction Materials Testing - $4,740.00 and Terracon Consultants - $3,750.00.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to adjourn at 10:03 A.M. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be Monday, August 16, 2021 at 8:30 A.M.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Aaron Stone, Chairperson

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
NO. ESPR009272
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GENE A. NELSON, DECEASED
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Gene A. Nelson, Deceased, who died on or about July 9, 2021:

You are hereby notified that on August 5, 2021, the Last Will and Testament of Gene A. Nelson, deceased, bearing date of September 13, 2013, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Anthony M. Nelson was appointed Executor 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 August 12, 2021.

Anthony N. Nelson
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Executor of the Estate

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Attorney for Executor

Date of second publication 25th day of August, 2021.

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N-K School

The Northwood-Kensett Board of Directors met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, August 12, 2021 in the Secondary Media Center at 7:00 P.M.

Members present: Larry Hovey; John Anderson, Cindy Pangburn, Roger Harris and Susan Kliment

(4-0) Approved the Agenda; August 12, 2021; July 8, 2021 regular meeting minutes; Financial Reports for July; August bills for payment

Reports:

Elementary Principal: 1) Farm Bureau Ag Fair set for Sept 10, 2021 2) Elementary Handbook 3) Registration 4) City Transit

Secondary Principal: 1) Skill Evaluation for 7-12 2) Middle-School Project

Superintendent: 1) Summer Cleaning 2) Transportation Facility 3) Activity Center 4) Beginning of year Kick-off 4) Family Picnic at fairgrounds.

School Board: 1) Next regular board meeting scheduled for September 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Old Business:

None

New Business:

(5-0) Approved Updated Return to Learn Plan

(5-0) Approved District Legislative Priorities and Resolutions for 2020 IASB Legislative Platform; Top four areas are: Preschool, Mental Health, Unfunded Mandates and Sharing & Reorganization

(5-0) Appointed John Anderson as Legislative Action Network Member and Board Delegate to IASB Delegate Assembly

(5-0) Approved First Reading Policy 200.3, 206.1, 206.2, 213, 213.1, 302.5, 303.6, 412.3, 501.14, 501.15, 502.3, 505.5, 603.6, 604.1, 606.2, 701.2, 711.2 and 803.1

New Policies 401.14, 502.3R1, 804.6, 804.6R1, and 905.3 Rescind Policies 504.3, 504.3R1, and 711.2R2

(5-0) Approved Keith Fritz as Equity Coordinator

(5-0) Approved Keith Fritz as Title IX Coordinator

(5-0) Approved Brian Costello as 504 Coordinator

(5-0) Appointed Theresa VanSabben as Affirmative Action Coordinator

(5-0) Approved Student, Coach's and Employee Handbooks for 2021-2022

(5-0) Approved 2021-2022 Organization Fundraisers

(5-0) Approved Volunteer Coaches as presented by Mr. Crozier for the 2021-2022 school year

(5-0) Approved change order #4, MPS Storm Pipe in the amount of $20,818.05

(5-0) Approved contracts with Synergy Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine

(5-0) Accepted the resignation of Chantelle Rollene as Elementary Cook

(5-0) Accepted the resignation of Matt Pfaltzgraff as Head Baseball Coach for the 2022 season

(5-0) Approved the hire of Suzanne Senne as Elementary Cook at $13.50 per hour

(5-0) Approved the hire of Chantelle Rollene as Elementary Associate at $12.50 per hour

(5-0) Approved the hire of Kim Helgeson as Secondary Associate at $12.50 per hour

(5-0) Approved the hire of Raevyn Knudtson as Secondary Associate at $12.00 per hour

(5-0) Approved the hire of Val Abrams as Secondary Associate at $12.50 per hour

(5-0) Adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm

Northwood-Kensett Community School District
08/12/2021

Vendor Name, Description, Amount

A & I AUTO REPAIRS 58.71
A BEST SEW & VACUUM 8 new sewing machines 1,199.92
A1 Storage, rental 268.00
AIRGAS USA, LLC SUPPLIES 360.10
All Star Pest Control pest control 75.00
ALLIANT ENERGY ELECTRICITY 12,953.30
Amazon Capital Services School Supplies 5,068.32
APPLE, INC. Computers/Supplies .. 241,730.50
Brett's Drain Cleaning Drain Cleaner 96.50
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS SUPPLIES 139.22
CDW GOVERNMENT, INC., school supplies 610.00
Center for the Collaborative Classroom ELA consumables 1,853.28
CITY OF NORTHWOOD water/sewer 305.28
CLEAR LAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS 2nd Sem Spec Ed 10,268.35
Gallagher Benefit Services actuarial service 500.00
Hagen, Lisa subscription 29.00
HOVEY'S LAWN AND GARDEN LLC LAWN CARE 2,500.00
iboss, Inc Web filter renewal 2,526.75
IOWA TESTING PROGRAMS, ISASP 1,021.50
Iowa Water Management Company boiler service 200.00
IXL Learning IA common Core online 349.00
JAMF SOFTWARE, LLC Jamf renewal for iPads 765.00
John Deere Financial parts and service 614.25
Kelly Hardware SUPPLIES 410.51
Kendall Hunt Publishing CoM Math training 1,600.00
LAKESHORE LEARNING MATERIALS classroom supplies 333.20
LEARNING A-Z Ipad subscriptions 216.00
LEARNING CENTER USA Raz-Kids Renewal 118.00
MARTIN BROTHERS Supplies 2,158.25
NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE SOCIAL STUDIES Conference registration ... 350.00
NORTHWOOD ANCHOR PUBLICATION 223.97
NORTHWOOD CHIROPRACTIC PC DOT Physical 700.00
NORTHWOOD SANITATION, July Serv 610.00
Painters Gear Inc Field Painter Repair 697.40
PAPER CORPORATION, THE, paper 3,925.33
Parks, Gregory 2021 school year website renewal 190.00
PRISM SALES Equipment 16,310.00
Skyline Sales and Marketing Re-coat Elem Gym Floor .. 295.00
ST. ANSGAR CSD Special Ed 2nd Sem 11,620.90
Staples Business Credit Supplies 1,106.62
TEACHER DIRECT Classroom supplies 775.42
TEACHING STRATEGIES, LLC Preschool assessment 940.50
TRADING POST clamp/adapter/elbow 64.43
Trane US Inc SERV AGREEMENT 4,105.50
VISA, services 500.69
WINNEBAGO COOPERATIVE TELECOM ASSN phone/internet service 956.76
WORTH COUNTY ENGINEER, diesel/gas 1,307.17
Worth Lumber Company material 53.98
Bethany Lutheran College Scholarship 2,500.00
Central College Scholarship 500.00
Ellsworth Community College, Scholarship 1,000.00
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY, Scholarship 2,500.00
Luther College Scholarship 1,000.00
NORTH IOWA AREA COMM. COLLEGE Scholarship 3,000.00
University of Northern Iowa, Scholarship 1,500.00
WARTBURG COLLEGE Scholarship 6,000.00
Checking Account ID .. 351,061.61
Checking Account ID
ASPI SOLUTIONS, INC Software 400.00
BELMOND-KLEMME CSD Cross country entry fee 100.00
BRITTAIN, CHARLES Assigning Fees 400.00
CHARLES CITY HIGH SCHOOL Cross country entry fee 9/3 ..... 80.00
FALLGATTER'S MARKET FFA supplies 32.33
Farmers New Ag, LLC Chemical application FFA beans 818.87
FAUSNAUGH, TIM JVFB official 8/30 Janesville 70.00
Iowa Girls Coaches Association Girls Coaching Dues 75.00
Iowa High School Athletic Directors Association AD Registration Fee 260.00
KING, DION JVFB official 9/7 Tripoli 70.00
Kleve, Kimberly VB official 8/26 North Butler 115.00
NAT'L FFA ORGANIZATION Banquet supplies 209.49
Newman Catholic School Cross country entry fee 80.00
Olson, Frank VB official 230.00
PIONEER MANUFACTURING CO. Paint for Athletic Facilities. 1,860.65
Roberts, Troy JVFB official 70.00
SIMONSON, ADRAIN JVFB official 140.00
SMITH, TROY JVFB official 70.00
SUNTKEN, CHRIS JVFB official 70.00
THEIN, SARAH vb official 115.00
TROPHIES PLUS, INC. Pins & Letters. 888.28
Varsity cheer warm ups 703.00
WOOLDRIDGE, KARL JVFB official 70.00
Fund Number 21 ..... 6,927.62
Beland Tree Service LLC ... 850.00
Dean Snyder Construction Co general contractor services 281,235.80
Mick Gage Plumbing & Heating, Inc. Elementary Boiler Repair 10,702.53
Fund Number 33 ..... 292,788.33
Checking Account ID
BET Roofing 5,789.00
ELECTRONIC SPECIALTIES, INC Dome Camera w/ night vision 1,135.48
Marco, copier lease 1,392.94
TimeClock Plus License increase 31.50
Fund Number 36 ..... 8,348.92
FEDERAL FIRE EQUIPMENT INSPECTION 465.00
Fund Number 61 ..... 465.00

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City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on 8/9/21 at 6 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: Approve Council Meeting Minutes of July 26, 2021; Treasurer Report; Claims as follows:

Payable to: For: Amount

NSB, Deposit Slips $54.67
NSB, Monthly ACH Fee ... $20.00
IA Dept of Revenue Sales Tax $938.00
IA Dept of Revenue Water Excise Tax $1,631.00
Wo. Co. Recorder Record New Bus. Rev..... $47.00
Wellmark BCBS Insurance $10,583.34
Verizon Cell Phone/Router-tr,fd. $107.12
Visa Postage, tool box, net $838.79
Principal, Insurance..... $446.07
Payroll, Wages..... $20,074.59
Payroll, Pool Wages $7,395.70
Water Deposit Refunds Utility Accounts $266.45
US Postal Service Mailing-cc $277.92
Alliant Energy Services $22,718.58
Worth Co. Recorder Record Release-cc $7.00
Payroll, Wages..... $21,055.28
Payroll, Pool Wages $8,201.35
Agri-Sales, Services-cem. $345.00
Amber Julseth Mileage & expenses-cc .. $370.75
Beland Tree Service Tree Removal $520.00
CarQuest, Parts-pw $307.26
Carrier Aquatic Pool Parts $170.79
Cintas, Supplies-pw $43.58
Craig Lease Cemetery plots-cem..... $940.00
David Patrick Services-cc,lib $57.00
Eilertson Repair Supplies-pw $97.15
Fallgatter's Marketplace Supplies-pool $136.63
Falkstone, Supplies-pw $1,628.22
Gateway Hotel Clerk Academy Lodging-cc $266.56
Hawkins, Supplies $8,240.49
Heartland Asphalt Street Maintenance $161,836.78
Huber Supply Co. Cylinders-pw $35.62
Iowa One Call Services-pw $37.80
IA DNR, Annual Fee $210.00
Iowa Lot Striping Paint parking $210.00
John Deere Financial Freight, parts-pw $238.61
John Greve, Services..... $500.00
Kelly Hardware Supplies-pw,pool $1,378.84
Kevin Springer Const. Repairs $6,585.50
Keystone, Testing-pw... $1,500.20
Knutson Oil Co. Fuel-pw,tr $2,182.60
Larsen Plumbing & Heating Repairs-pool $158.35
Lawson Products Supplies-pw $135.72
Northwood Anchor Publications $104.44
Northwood Electric Supplies-pw $78.20
Northern Lights Supplies-pool $3,233.19
Northwood Sanitation Garbage Services..... $7,696.00
Northwood Sanitation Bags-cc $580.00
Northwood Senior Center Monthly Donation $650.00
Office Depot, Supplies..... $81.98
ProLine Dist. Supplies-pw $681.00
ProVision Landscaping Landscaping-cc $1,772.00
Star Equipment, Parts.... $451.22
The Rustic Thread T-shirts-rec $1,020.00
Trading Post Supplies-pw $173.65
USA Blue Book Supplies-pw $454.54
Viafield, Supplies-pw $79.75
WCTA, Phone/Internet ... $716.68
Winnebago County Public Health Inspection-pool $418.00
Wo. Co. Sheriff 28E Law Enforcement $30,262.83
Worth Lumber Co. Supplies-pw $9.99
Library:
Alliant Energy, Utilities . $416.67
Baker & Taylor Materials $446.00
Carolyn Reeder, Supplies . $27.80
Center Point Large Print Materials $156.07
Demco, Supplies $99.05
Fallgatter's, Supplies $43.99
Kelly Hardware Supplies $36.93
Morgan Johnson Pool Party $130.00
Northwood Anchor Subscription $70.00
Visa, Supplies $499.16

Summary of July 2021 receipts by fund type: General - $47,962.23; Special Revenue-$52,202.59; Debt Service - $1,729.34; Capital Projects-$3,094.78; Enterprise-$100,579.61; Trust & Agency - $0.

Summary of July 2021 disbursements by fund type: General - $97,571.94; Special Revenue-$24,111.19; Debt Service-$0; Capital Projects-$45,000; Enterprise- $50,933.06; Trust & Agency - $0.

Roll was called and the following voted Aye: George-Zenz, Meyer, Nerlien, Reeder, Tenold.

Motion to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

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4-H reporters program offers youth hands-on learning at Iowa State Fair

On Wednesday, August 4, selected youth from across Iowa, including a representavie of Worth County 4-H, gained invaluable communications and media skills from professional mentors in the industry.

After their training session in the newly renovated Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building on the Iowa State Fair fairground, this new cohort of Iowa 4-H Reporters is well prepared to cover the Iowa State Fair.

The Iowa 4-H Reporters program, now in its fifth year, is an opportunity for youth who have an interest in media and communications to learn more about the industry and develop news media during the Iowa State Fair. As part of the program, 12 Iowa 4-H youth were invited to a one-day training workshop where they received instruction from Iowa PBS professionals.

Paul Yeager, producer and Iowa PBS host of Market to Market and Iowa PBS Sports, noted, "I always think it's fun to relay tips and tricks I've learned from covering the fair for so many years to these youth. It's exciting to set people up with knowledge and see what they do with it."

Topics of the training included capturing action shots and still images, shooting B-roll video, interviewing best practices, and digital and social media. Participants were able to view a virtual tour of the Iowa PBS station and practice using professional media equipment during the training.

Mahaska County participant Abby Drost remarked, "I've learned how to create a clip through a video and work with high-tech cameras. I'm involved in communications events at both the county and state level in 4-H, so this training is helpful."

This year's selected Iowa 4-H Reporters included Teagan Johnson of Worth County.

"This training is an awesome 4-H opportunity for youth who want to learn more about media, like me," said Rebekah Craighton, from Franklin County.

"I want to pursue a career in 4-H in the future and was interested in this program to strengthen my communication skills," said Ashley Yedlik, from Johnson County. "I'm excited to see the fair in a new perspective and get to meet new people."

The youth would be showcasing their new media knowledge by covering fair features and 4-H stories at the Iowa State Fair.

More information on the Iowa 4-H Reporters program can be found by visiting the Iowa 4-H website at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa-4-h-reporters.

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