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Briefs

Kenett FD hosts open house Sunday

The Kensett Volunteer Fire Department will host an open house this Sunday, October 10, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Kensett Fire Station, during National Fire Prevention Week.

The open house will include a free will luncheon of hamburgers, hot dogs and brats, with to-go containers available.

Funds raised will go towards a new tanker truck.

City flushes hydrants Oct. 12-13

The Northwood city crew will be flushing fire hydrants throughout the city on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 12-13.

While hydrants are being flushed, residents are advised to refrain from washing clothes, as they may be discolored. However, water will be safe to drink.

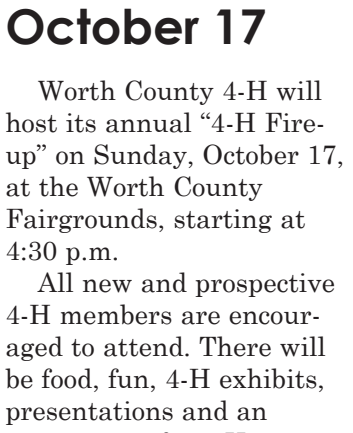
Worth County 4-H fire-up is October 17

Worth County 4-H will host its annual "4-H Fire-up" on Sunday, October 17, at the Worth County Fairgrounds, starting at 4:30 p.m.

All new and prospective 4-H members are encouraged to attend. There will be food, fun, 4-H exhibits, presentations and an opportunity for 4-H member sign up. There will be a listing of 4-H club leader contacts and a sharing of what programs are available to 4-H members in Worth County.

The Fire-Up will include a grilled hamburger meal.

More information is available by contacting Lacew Waller at ljwaller@iastate.edu, Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist at djohn@iastate.edu or 641-324-1531, by calling the Worth County Extension office.



The Week's WEATHER
by National Weather Service Observer
John Podgorniak

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. Sept. 28	79	51	
Wed. Sept. 29	79	51	
Thurs. Sept. 30	82	53	
Fri. October 1	80	52	
Sat. October 2	78	52	.13
Sun. October 3	68	59	.07
Mon. October 4	70	47	



Northwood-Kensett Homecoming Royalty
Last Thursday evening Andrew Breitsprecher and Carly Hengesteg were crowned 2021 Northwood-Kensett homecoming king and queen during the annual coronation ceremony. They are pictured above as they led the Homecoming parade on Friday. Andrew is the son of Jamie and Jennifer Breitsprecher and Carly is the daughter of Randy and Kim Hengesteg. To see more photos of homecoming see pages 13 and 14.

County continues discussion of wind energy regulation options

With two potential courses of action on the agenda on September 27, the Worth County supervisors once again heard from one county official and a wind energy company representative about plans to move forward with some form of regulation that would affect a project that is in the works.

In April 2021, the Worth County supervisors passed a moratorium on County action in regards to wind turbines. The moratorium followed the completion of the most recent wind development in the area of Deer Creek Township, which left many property owners negatively impacted and upset, along with resistance from others in the county that have remained opposed to new wind turbines since before that project.

In 2018, the wind energy company Invenergy began development of the next potential wind turbine project, in the northwest corner of the county. The company has been in talks with supervisors for a development agreement since before the moratorium passed. That has continued in recent weeks, with the supervisors meeting in closed session under Iowa law that allows closed meetings to discuss strategy about litigation, indicating that the supervisors expect potential legal action if they pursue the ordinance.

The moratorium called for a pause on wind energy projects until research and regulations could be investigated. The County's planning and zoning commission began the development of what became a draft of a countywide ordinance regulating wind project.

Both the draft and the development agreement were up for discussion and potential action at the September 27 meeting.

Jeff Gorball, chair of the

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Council discusses law enforcement, road agreements

The Northwood city council recently discussed agreements with other local governments, one to provide law enforcement and the other to share the costs of building a road.

For several years, the City of Northwood has contracted with Worth County, for the Worth County Sheriff's office to provide law enforcement coverage in the city.

The latest update to the agreement has been in the works between city officials and county sheriff Dan Fank. The agreement was presented to the full council for approval at the regular meeting on September 27.

Under the agreement, the sheriff's office provides 24/7 service to the city, including patrols, enforcing city laws and ordinances and responding to criminal and emergency situations.

The City provides one patrol vehicle for the deputies assigned to the city. The City also provides the use of its downtown police station, which has become the primary deputy offices, evidence storage and other uses of the sheriff's office.

The latest agreement provides for the service for the next four years, with set fees each year, starting at $374,049 in the next fiscal year, which starts on July 1, 2022. The following fiscal year the cost increases to $385,270, then $396,828 and $408,733 in the fiscal year that starts in July 2025.

At the recent council

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Clean up days begin Oct. 13

The annual fall clean up begins in Northwood next Wednesday, October 13, continuing through Saturday, October 16, with the City offering a chance for residents to dispose of unwanted items as they do some spring cleaning.

Dumpsters will be provided for Northwood residents at the Northwood city yard, located on the east side of Northwood along Highway 105.

Clean up days are intended for discardable items that would not be picked up through normal garbage collection, meaning regular day-to-day garbage will not be accepted.

Other items that will not be accepted include computers and accessories, construction debris, tires, batteries, paint, hazardous and flammable items and fluorescent light bulbs and tubes.

In addition to the items being accepted by the City of Northwood, containers will be available at the site for those that wish to dispose of scrap metal and automotive batteries. Those items will be sold, with proceeds donated to the Relay For Life of Worth County.

The City is asking that the public not remove any items from the dumpsters during clean up week.

The dumpsters at the Northwood City Yard will be open Wednesday,

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COVID rates hit 2021 record again in Worth

For the third time in just a short span of weeks, Worth County has hit the highest rate of new cases in 2021, showing an increasing trend in community transmission.

The latest weekly release of county-level information from the State of Iowa shows that Worth County has once again seen a weekly increase of 49 new cases of COVID-19. That is the third week since the start of September that the 2021 high has been reached.

Between September 23 and September 30, the number of positive COVID-19 tests in the county increased to 1,067, up from 1,018.

That made for a seven day positivity rate of 15.9%, up from 11.3% a week ago.

In the previous week, from September 16 to September 23, of the 31 new cases, 44%, or 14, were in those ages 0-17. Amongst this past week's new cases, 35% or 17 were children and teenagers.

In the past two weeks,

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Working from the inside out
Work continues on the Vikings Activity Center, which is on schedule to open in the spring. In recent weeks, the exterior of the building has begun to to take shape with panels put in place as more interior and exterior work has progressed.

N-K celebrates Homecoming 2021 — See Pages 13-14

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Worth County Planning and Zoning Commission, returned with renewed remarks about the process, including the commission's proposed ordinance and the agreement being considered.

Gorball said that the supervisors had passed a moratorium on County action on wind projects, suggesting that included any discussions with the company. Gorball said in pursuing the development agreement that the company was acting in opposition to the supervisors' resolution and that the supervisors themselves may be taking legally questionable action as they took part in anything other than acting on the ordinance, as described in the resolution that set the moratorium in place.

Gorball shared that, speaking on behalf of the commission, the supervisors should set aside the agreement and pass the ordinance, which he said addresses the modern turbine technology and impacts, and not standards that were acceptable for older generations of turbines.

In response to Gorball's comments at the most recent and previous meetings, Mark Crowl, with Invenergy, said that he found it hard to see the difference between Gorball's role in zoning and what he saw as personal objections to wind projects.

Crowl said that the development agreement as proposed was meant to be a solution to the issues raised by the supervisors that would still allow the company to proceed.

In regards to the development agreement, there was some question about whether it would make current zoning in three Worth County townships obsolete. The county's consulting attorney said that the agreement would only add to the existing zoning regulations.

When pressed if the supervisors would set a date to consider taking action on the agreement, supervisor AJ Stone said that he was done with the process of negotiating the agreement. He said that he had suggested more stringent limits than had been negotiated that far and the company was not willing to meet those limits. But, as Stone said, the other supervisors could still move forward.

Crowl said that the company had been making concessions in direct response to concerns for unzoned portions of the county. He said that the company had agreed to the "big 3" issues, namely setback distance, sound and shadow flicker.

Crowl added that the company had access to 30,000 acres of land from interested landowners, but after taking environmental, property, road and setback considerations mentioned above, they were left with 500 acres that they could locate turbines on. He added the company had agreed to look at the least impactful areas first and had worked to address the issues created by the Deer Creek wind project.

The agreement was on the agenda for the meeting this past Monday and was ultimately rejected when a motion to approve failed. See more in next week's paper.

The agreement was posted to the Worth County website last week, including exhibits that show potential turbine locations. It can be viewed online at www.worthcounty.gov, under the "I Want to..." tab, then Forms and Documents and the supervisors documents list.

The supervisors also discussed the ordinance at the September 27 meeting.

There were still some questions and considerations.

That included how the ordinance would impact existing wind farms as they potentially replaced turbines at the end of their life.

The ordinance would apply to turbine replacements and existing turbines could not be replaced in the same location under the ordinance.

That could have an impact on the taxes on those turbines that the County has borrowed against. If the turbines are taken offline and can't be replaced, the County could be out funds that have already been put to use and create potentially significant financial issues in the future.

The ordinance was also on this past Monday's agenda. More on that discussion will also appear in next week's issue.

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between September 16 and September 30, there were 80 new cases of COVID-19, for a 14 day positivity rate of 13.9%.

Worth County remains in the high community transmission rate, according to the CDC. Those living in areas with substantial or high levels of community transmission are recommended to wear masks in public indoor settings, according to the CDC.

For the region that includes Worth and the seven bordering counties, there have been a total of 25,194 cases of COVID-19 reported by state agencies. That is up 811 from the total as of September 23. That includes 1,903 in Winnebago, 1,878 in Hancock, 7,058 in Cerro Gordo, 2,246 in Floyd and 1,664 in Mitchell counties in Iowa, and 4,507 in Freeborn and 5,938 in Mower counties in Minnesota.

In the most recent week's information, there were four more deaths, for a total of 346 in the area.

According to the CDC, 3,416 residents of Worth County have been fully vaccinated, for 46.3% of the total population. That is up 41 Worth County residents since September 23.

CDC numbers show that 3,620 Worth residents have received at least one dose of vaccine, for 49% of the population. That is up 28 since September 23.

In the county, 1,275 of those 65 and over, the first age group that could receive the vaccine, were fully vaccinated, 82.5% of that population. Of that age group, 1,312, or 84.9% have had at least one dose.

Of those that have been able to receive the vaccine since early April, those 18 and over, 3,282 have been fully vaccinated, for 56.1% of that population. Of those, 3,460 have received one dose, for59.1%.

Those 12 and over have been eligible since the month of May. Of that group 53.5% have been fully vaccinated. Of those eligible to receive a vaccine, 56.7% have received at least one dose.

Other counties in the region have vaccination rates of 46.7% in Winnebago, 44.3% in Hancock, 56.1% in Cerro Gordo, 47.7% in Floyd, 44.2% in Mitchell, 49.2% in Freeborn and 53.1% in Mower counties. Across the region, 50.8% of the total population has been fully 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.

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October 13, and Friday, October 15, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, October 14, from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; and on Saturday, October 16, from 8 a.m. to noon.

More information is available in the ad in this week's Northwood Anchor or by contacting Northwood City Hall at 324-1075.

A number of the items not accepted during clean up week may be disposed of at the Worth County Recycle Center.

All Worth County residents may dispose of used tires without rims, old appliances, waste oil and scrap metal.

There are fees associated with disposing of tires and appliances. Waste oil, scrap metal and computer towers are accepted at no charge.

More information on the Worth County Recycle Center, including hours of operation and fees, is available at the Worth County website, www.worthcounty.org, under the departments link at the top of the page, or by calling the Recycle Center at 641-845-2200.

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meeting, council member Gary Nerlien said that he wasn't opposed to the agreement, but that he wanted to see more of the whole picture of how the City's money is being spent, asking for a monthly breakdown.

Nerlien also shared his opposition to the City owning one of the patrol cars.

Sheriff Dan Fank shared that the City maintaining ownership of a vehicle is a holdover from the first contract between the County and the City. At the time the City wanted to reduce the cost of the agreement by using grant funds to pay for a vehicle.

Fank also said that he could provide a look at some of the costs each month, but there is some overlap when deputies usually assigned outside the city assist in Northwood, which is not divided out. He also mentioned some tasks such as management, IT service and the use of the County's radio systems, which are not accounted separately based on when they might be used for City needs specifically.

City administrator Amber Julseth said she didn't think it would be an issue to get reports of the other types of expenses that are more clearly separated.

Nerlien also mentioned how the City of Northwood is paying significantly more than the other towns in Worth County. However, he recognized that Northwood is getting 24/7 coverage, while the others getting occasional patrols and deputies responding to emergency and law enforcement needs on call.

Nerlien ultimately made a motion to approve the agreement, which was passed unanimously by all but one council member, with Dan Reeder not present at the meeting.

The council also discussed an agreement with the Northwood-Kensett school district.

The agreement would be for the district and the City to share in the costs of building a road on the north edge of the high school property.

The road would connect to the location of a proposed district transportation center, which would be built on city property near the City's water treatment plant. Providing the property to the district is part of the agreement.

For the City, the road would connect to an area that has been discussed for a future housing development.

Under the agreement, the city and district would share in the costs. The estimated cost to the city for its part in the road would be between $50,000-$75,000. After it is built, the City would take ownership and provide maintenance, including snow removal.

Council member Teresa George-Zenz said that she always thought the road was meant to provide another access to the water treatment plant, avoiding the need to maintain the current roadway. She said otherwise that she didn't like the idea of the City having to add that road to plow to get buses out.

It was agreed that leaving a spot for a gravel road to the water treatment plant could be an option.

Council member Dave Tenold said that he wanted to see the road built. He said that he thought that housing would have to be built out there someday and that sharing in the cost of a road would help make that more feasible.

Mayor Doug Moehle agreed, saying that it cuts initial costs down, but noted that it was no guarantee that the development would proceed. Still, Moehle said he believed it was in the City's best interest.

The agreement was approved on a 3-1 vote, with council member Russ Meyer opposed. Meyer has shared skepticism in the past about proceeding with a housing development in that location, when other options may be more feasible.

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Braun family maintains farming legacy

Celebrating 2021's Century Farms

Several area farms were recognized for their family legacies during the annual Century and Heritage farm ceremony at the Iowa State Fair. The Anchor continues its look at these farms with the Everett and Chrystal Braun Farm.

By JoAnn Lower

The Everett and Chrystal Braun Family Farm located at 2077 400th Street, Grafton was awarded the distinguished title "Century Farm" on August 19, 2021 at the Iowa State Fair.

The story of this farm begins with Gottfried Walk. Born in 1857 in Pomerania, Germany, Walk immigrated to the United States with his wife Lena. They traveled to Iowa and in 1903 purchased a farm northwest of Grafton.

In the years that followed, seven children were born to the couple and to each child a farm was given.

At Gottfried's death, the 120 acres of farmland was passed on to his daughter Alvina. She and her husband Otto Braun moved onto the place and in 1941 built the house and barn, the total cost of materials for both buildings amounting to $6,000.

In 1945 during World War II the couple's son Everett came home on leave from the Navy and married Chrystal Pike from St. Ansgar. When Everett returned to the Service, Chrystal moved in with his parents on the family farm to await her husband's return.

After Alvina's death in 1978, Everett purchased 45 acres of the farm's original 120 acres and he and Chrystal moved onto the farm to begin farming. In the years that followed, they gave birth to four children – Christopher, Keith, Steven and Rita.

Christopher (Chris) Braun took over farming the home place when his father retired. When Everett passed away, the farm was passed on to his four children.

"My parents lived on the farm nearly all their lives," said Chris. "Dad was there for 70 years and Mom, who passed away in May 2021, lived there for 76 years."

"It was a typical north Iowa farm. Most of the time we grew corn and soybeans, and over the years cattle, hogs and chickens, but now we're grain farming. Some of the buildings are gone but the house remains as it's always been, as does the swing set that our grandchildren now play on."

Chris and his wife Teresa live in Grafton. They have two daughters who live in Wisconsin, a son in Cedar Rapids and a two-month-old grandson Markus Christopher.

Chris is supervisor at the ethanol plant near Lyle, Minnesota, and has always been involved with the farm. Teresa is retired from the Mason City Public Library.



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Up the wall

Students at Northwood-Kensett High School spent some of the PE time last week climbing to new heights on a climbing wall brought to the school by the Iowa National Guard as a part of their community outreach. Guardsmen Luke Scheer of Osage is pictured as he helped the students make the climb.



Getting clued in

The cast and crew of the upcoming Northwood-Kensett school play were recently announced. The N-K drama department will present "Clue." In the tradition of the board game the play is based on, the whodunnit will be solved in different ways depending on which performance audiences attend. The performances will take place on Saturday, November 13, at 7 p.m. and on Sunday, November 14, at 2 p.m. The cast includes Andrew Breitsprecher, Hayley Wallin, Nyx Mayberry, Madalynn Hanson, Alexandria Hanson-Brandsoy, Emma Davidson, Bella Hoch, Marli Backhaus, Hailee Schmitt, Aaron Davis, Ellie Ehrhardt, Jon Meksi, Mallory Rheingans, Damon Reyerson, Topanga Hackenmiller, Morgan Wallin, Emma Logemann, Alexis Hakes, Kamryn Backhaus and Laney Miles. The crew includes Kenny Conlin, Josiah Bass, Ariana Heiken, Christopher Madsen and Dalton Weitzel.

Extension sponsors continuing instruction courses for Certified Commercial Pesticide Applicators

The Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program is sponsoring continuing instruction courses (CIC) for Certified Commercial Pesticide Applicators.

In person CIC dates are as follows:

Aquatic, Forest and Right-of-Way Pest Management - October 20 at 9 a.m., Categories 2, 5 and 6.

Ornamental and Turfgrass Applicators - November 10 at 9 a.m., Categories 30, 3T and 30T.

Fumigation (commercial and private fumigators) - November 16 at 9 a.m., Category 7C.

Commercial Ag Weed, Insect and Plant Disease Management (CCA CEU's available) - November 17 at 9 a.m., Categories 1A, 1B and 1C.

Pest Control Operators - December 1 at 9 a.m., Categories 7A, 7B and 8.

Aerial Applicators - Program available early fall, Category 11.

Greenhouse and Ornamental Applicators* - Program available early fall, Categories 3G and 30. *Employers will be contacted when program is available.

Mosquito/Public Health Pest Management - Program available early fall, Categories 7D and 8.

Live-Streamed CID dates are as follows:

Ornamental and Turfgrass Applicators - November 5 at 1 p.m., Categories 30, 3T and 30T; November 18 at 9 a.m., Categories 30, 3T and 30T; December 13 at 9 a.m., Categories 30, 3T and 30T

Aquatic, Forest and Right-of-Way Pest Management - November 5 at 9 a.m., Categories 2, 5 and 6; November 18 at 1 p.m., Categories 2, 5 and 6; December 13 at 1 p.m., Categories 2, 5 and 6.

Pest Control Operators - December 14 at 9 a.m., Categories 7A, 7B and 8.

Mosquito/Public Health Pest Management - December 14 at 1 p.m., Categories 7D and 8.

Commercial Ag Weed, Insect and Plant Disease Management (CCA CEU's Available) - December 15 at 9 a.m., Categories 1A, 1B and 1C.

Aerial Applicators - December 15 at 1 p.m., Category 11.

Seed Treatment (CCA CCE's Available), December 16 at 1 p.m., Categories 3G and 30

Greenhouse and Ornamental Applicators - December 16 at 1 p.m., Categories 3G and 30

Certified Hanglers - December 17 at 9 a.m., Category H.

Fumigation (commercial and private fumigators) - December 17 at 1 p.m., Category 7C.

These CIC opportunities are available on a first come first serve basis. Sessions are limited to 290 participants, so it is important to register early for these programs. The Zoom programs will require a stable internet connection and participants will need to check in at various points throughout the CIC to receive credit for attending. Those interested may pre-register online at extension.iastate.edu/psep.

Pre-registration is required for all in-person CICs. Those interested may pre-register by contacting Lacy Waller at 641-324-1531 or ljwaller@iastate.edu.

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Calendar of Events for October 2021

6 - Worth County Green and White 4-H T-Shirt Day at Worth County Schools, All Day with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist and Lacey Waller, Worth County Extension Office Manager/4-H Clover Kid Coordinator
6 - Worth County 4-H National 4-H Week KIOW Radio Interviews at KIOW Radio at Forest City at 2:15 P.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
7 - Worth County 4-H 4th Grade School Presentation at Central Springs Elementary School, Nora Springs at 9:00 A.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
7 - Worth County National 4-H Week Radio Interviews at 10:15 A.M. at KGLO Radio, Mason City with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
8 - North Central Iowa Extension Area Meeting at Hamilton County Fairgrounds, Webster City at 9 A.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist and Lacey Waller, Worth County Extension Office Manager
11 - ISU Extension County Services Meeting is a Virtual Zoom Meetingat 1:00 P.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
13 - Region 4 4-H Staff Meeting at Cerro Gordo County Extension, Mason City at 9:30 A.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
14 - State 4-H Monthly Webinar Meeting at Worth County Extension Office Virtual Adobe Connect Meeting, Northwood at 9 A.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
14 - Worth County Extension Staff Meeting at Worth County Extension Office, Northwood at 10:30 A.M. with Lacey Waller, Worth County Extension Office Manager, Mindy Tenold, Worth County Extension Youth Coordinator and Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
14 - Worth County Fairboard Meeting at Worth County Fairgrounds, Northwood at 7:00 P.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
17 - Worth County 4-H Fire-Up at 4:30 P.M. with Grilled Hamburger Meal to follow at Worth County Fairgrounds Meeting, Northwood with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist, Mindy Tenold, Worth County 4-H Youth Coordinator and Lacey Waller, Worth County Extension Office Manager/4-H Clover Kid Coordinator
18 - Topic: NIACC Agriculture Advisory Team Meeting at Mason City at 6 P.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
19 - Worth County 4-H Clover Kids After School Program at Worth County Extension Office, Northwood at 3:45 P.M. withLacey Waller, Worth County Extension 4-H Clover Kid Coordinator
20 - Roadside, Forest and Aquatic Pesticide Recertification at Worth County Extension Office, Northwood from 9 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. with Lacey Waller, Worth County Extension Office Manager
21 - Iowa State University Extension Region Staff Meeting at Cerro Gordo County Extension Office, Mason City at 9:00 A.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist and Donovan Olson, Region 4 ISU Extension Education Director
25 - Foods I-Team Meeting at Virtual Zoom Session from ISU Campus, Ames at 1:00 P.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
25 - Northwood-Kensett Mental Health Program at Northwood-Kensett High School at 7 P.M.with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
27 - Mosquito/Public Health Pest Management Pesticide Recertification at Worth County Extension Office Community Room at 9:00 A.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
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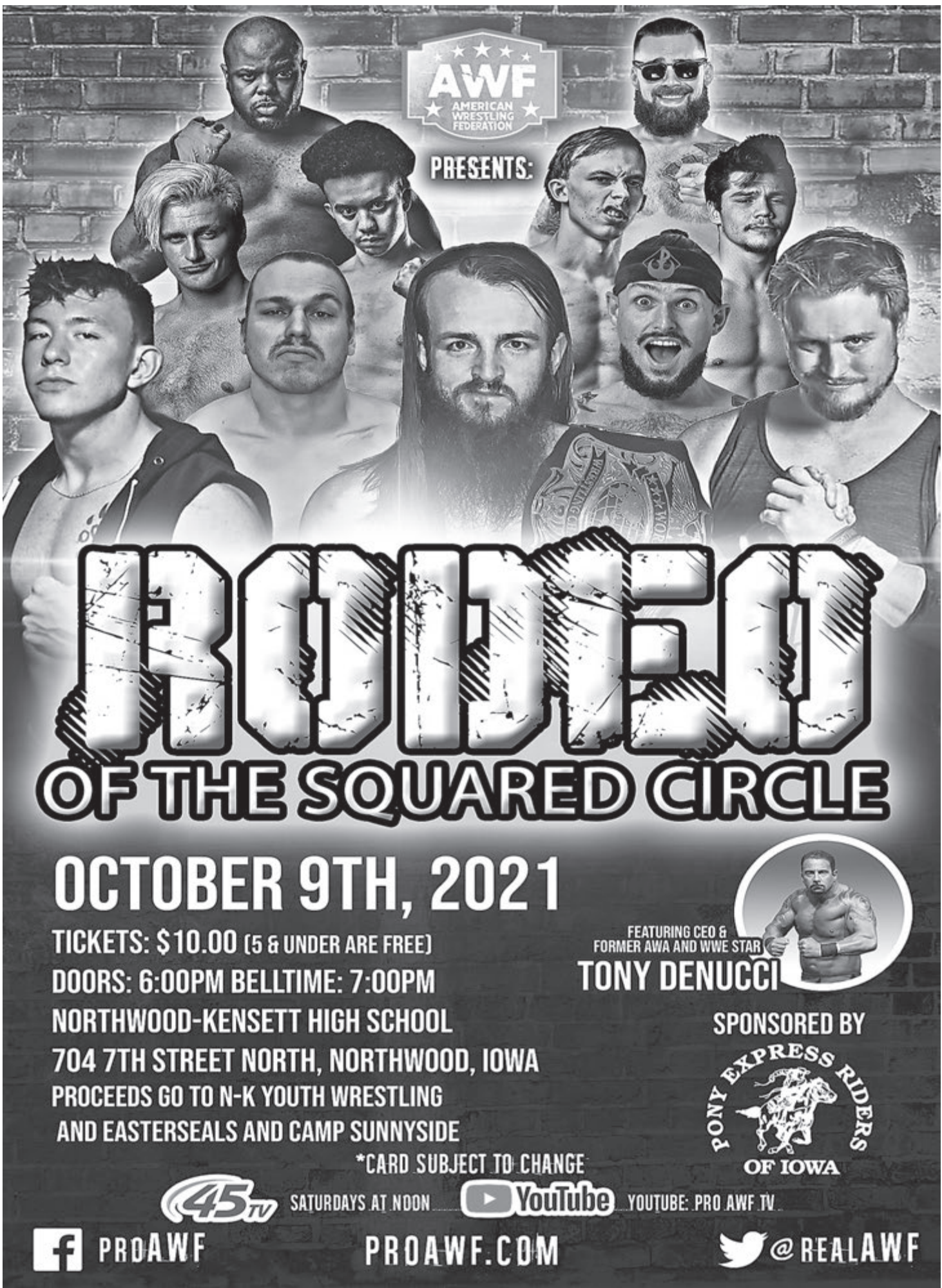
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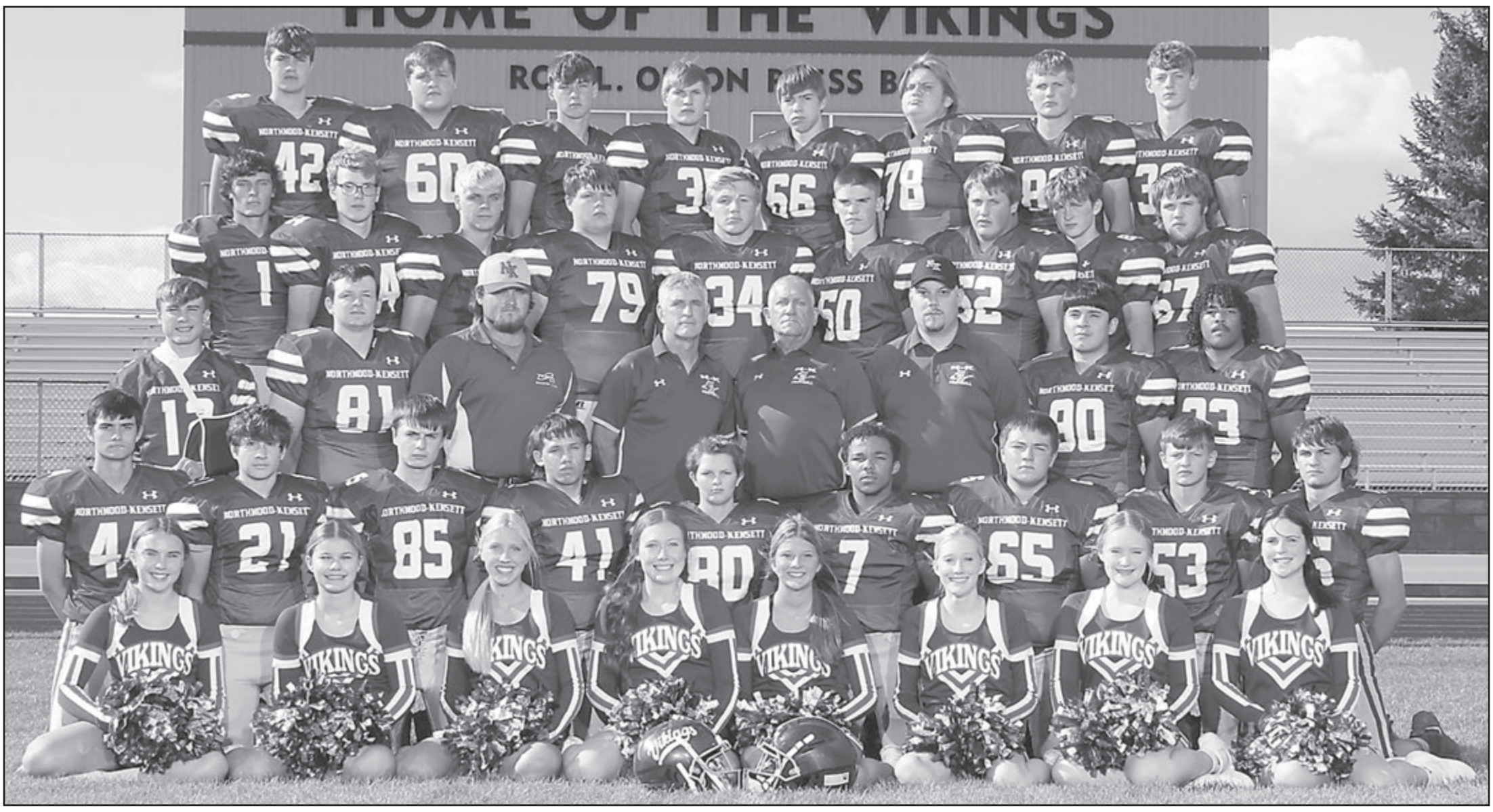


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2021 N-K FALL SPORTS



2021 N-K varsity football team

The N-K varsity football team includes (front row, from left) cheerleaders Ashlynn Rollene, Kyle Buehrer, Lindsay Moore, Hayley Wallin, Haddie Hanson, Mallory Rheingans, Kylie Robinson, Emily Hannemann, (second row) Billy Kraft, Michael Janssen, Aden Bice, Michael Davis, TJ Ausborn, Lamonte Sims, Chaz Cummins, Evan Lorenzen, Dalton Logeman, (third row) Treycen Rollene, Logan Mayberry, assistant coach Tristan Rothove, head coach Dave Capitani, assistant coach Daryl Love, assistant coach Trevor Hunt, Jose Obregon, Dante Sims; (fourth row) Andrew Wilder, Dylon Freerksen, Josiah Kliment, Thomas Rodemeyer, Drake Tiedemann, Loghan Nelson, Justin Mills, Aaron Davis, Jace Gentz, (fifth row) Colby Eskildsen, Mason Thofson, Carter Anderson, Tyler Mills, Isaiah Heeren, Noah Woltzen, Nolan Senne and Kooper Julseth.



N-K girls varsity volleyball team

The N-K varsity volleyball team includes (front row, from left) Emma Davidson, Jadyn Beland, Peyton Shoger, Addyson Bachtle, Madalynn Hanson, (second row) Ariana Heiken, Teagan Johnson, Lindsey Moore, Morgan Wallin, Carly Hengesteg, Camden Trenhaile (back row) head coach Mackensie Sauerbrei, Marli Backhaus, Kennedy Christianson, Hayley Wallin, Chloe Costello, Madison Berry and assistant coach Annika Della Vedova.

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The Northwood Anchor

Local artist reception set for Sunday in Albert Lea Art Center

The works of local artist Carolyn Reeder are currently on display at the Albert Lea Art Center. This Sunday, a reception will be held for Reeder at the center.

Reeder is a retired teachers whose free time is often spent in her basement studio, if not outdoors, bringing her latest work to life.

For Reeder, her work has included a number of traditional scenes, like farms, barns and many paintings of local and area scenes and historic landmarks.

Lately, Reeder says that she has been branching out more, with more abstract pieces and trying new techniques and approaches.

Reeder said that the last few months and the last year, painting has been a great way to focus on an activity she loves, and she has created more artwork in that time than in the past.

Many may have seen Reeder's talents on display with prints and other items on display or purchased during local events like Founders Day, at the Top of Iowa Welcome Center or from a number of galleries and shops throughout the area. Many may have picked up the coloring book featuring her drawings of historical Worth County scenes.

Now, people can find Reeder's paintings on display in the gallery at the Albert Lea Art Center, located in downtown Alber Lea.

The gallery will includes some items just for display, but for those that appreciate Reeder's talents, others will be on sale. That will include prints, cards, calendars and magnets.

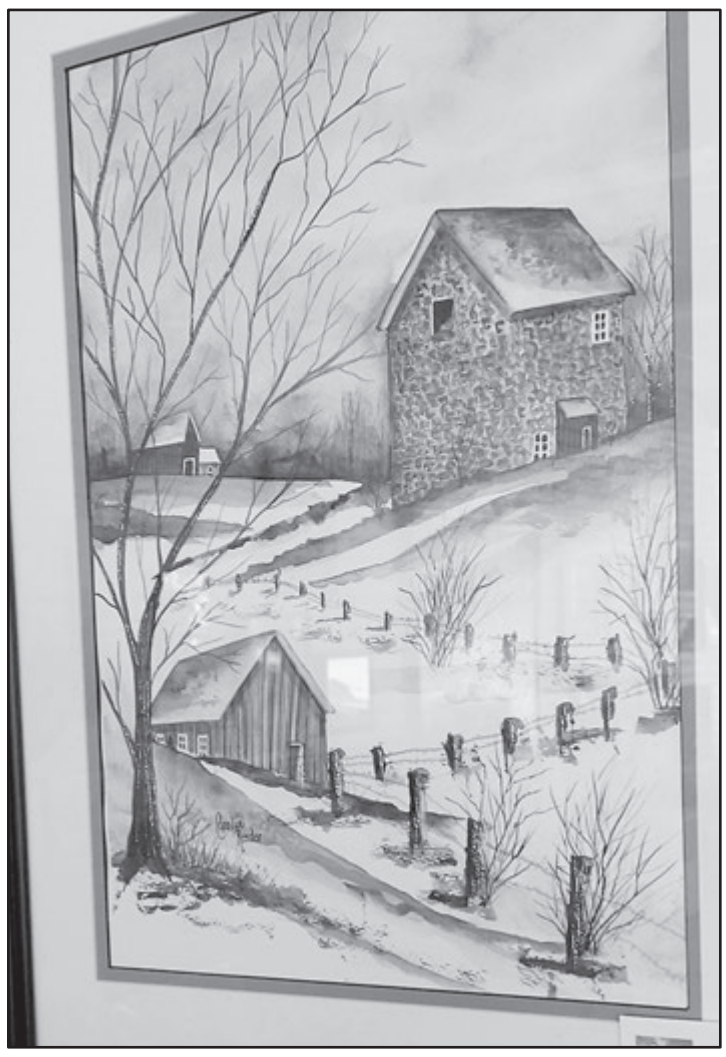
The gallery exhibit will be open through November 12, Tuesday from noon to 6 p.m., Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

An artist reception, is planned for this Sunday, October 10, from 1-3 p.m. at the Albert Lea Art Center, at 101 S Broadway Avenue.









Northwood Anchor

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Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly
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Consider the Ant



If you have lived a relatively normal life, then no doubt you have a few scars to show for it: the scar below the knee from a childhood accident, the chipped tooth from a fearless wagon ride down a steep hill, or a burn scar from a red-hot ember sent flying from the campfire by a rock thrown into the fire. Those are likely to be the scars of childhood, and we can easily take a sort of whimsical pride in them, as if to say we were reckless as kids, but oh what fun we had! The broken arm or leg is a bit more serious, but people often remember those more serious accidents with fondness once they are sufficiently distant from the event. There is a certain well-earned pride in surviving these accidents, illnesses and surgeries. Everyone in my family remembers vividly when we all caught the Hong Kong flu in 1969. Misery loves company, and there is almost nothing more miserable than being miserable alone. Perhaps the pride we take in our scars, both physical and emotional, is a testimony to our toughness. Sure, I broke my tooth on the wagon handle, and sure, she broke my heart, but I'm still standing, and I'm not giving up yet. There will be a time when it's appropriate to give up and let go. There is a time for living, and a time for dying, but until then, keep on living, and acquiring those scars. —Christopher Simon

"Let us also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope." – Romans 5:3-4

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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

Almost every kitchen in American has a cake mix in the cupboard somewhere. What's easier than whipping up a cake when asked to bring something to a pot-luck, a church supper or when company is coming for coffee? There are, however, many other things you can do with that simple box of flour, sugar, flavoring and more. I learned to make lots of cookies from cake mix as a young mother because it was so much easier than measuring out all those ingredients. "Cake Mix Magic" (2012, PIL Publications International, Lincolnwood, Illinois) is one of the check-out counter cookbooklets published under the Favorite Brand Name Recipes name. Included with the full-color pictures and recipes are 16 pages of tear-out recipe cards. The following treats are adapted from this collection.

Soft Chocolate Cookies with Nuts

1 package (about 18 oz.) devil's food cake mix with pudding
1/3 cup water
1/2 stick real butter, softened
1 large egg
1 cup white chocolate baking chips
1/3 cup coarsely chopped walnuts or pecans

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. In a large mixing bowl, beat the cake mix, water, butter and egg with an electric mixer on low until the ingredients are moistened. Then switch to medium speed and mix for about a minute. The dough will be stiff. Stir in the chips and nuts by hand, folding in so they are well distributed in the dough. Grease cookie sheets and drop the dough by heaping teaspoonsful onto them, about 2-inches apart. Bake for 10-12 minutes or until set. Cool on the cookie sheets for about a minute, then remove to wire racks to cool completely. Makes about 4 dozen cookies.

Peanut Butter Cheesecake Bars

1 box yellow cake mix with pudding (about 18 oz. size)
1 stick real butter, cut into small pieces and softened
2 packages (8 oz. each) good quality cream cheese, softened
1 cup chunky peanut butter
3 large eggs
1 1/4 cups sugar
1 cup salted, roasted peanuts.

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees. In a large mixing bowl, beat the cake mix and butter with an electric mixer at medium speed, JUST UNTIL CRUMBLY. Remove one cup of this mixture and set aside. Press the remaining dough onto the bottom of an ungreased 9x13-inch baking pan. Bake for 10 minutes then cool in the pan on a wire rack. Beat the cream cheese and peanut butter in another large bowl at medium speed until fluffy. Beat in the eggs, one at a time, scraping down the bowl as necessary to make sure all the ingredients get combined. Gradually beat in the sugar until fluffy. Spoon this filling evenly over the baked crust, smoothing the top. In a medium bowl, combine the reserved cake mixture with the peanuts. Sprinkle evenly over the filling. Bake for 45 minutes or until the filling is just set. A knife inserted into the center should come out clean. Cool in the pan on a wire rack for 30 minutes. Refrigerate at least 2 hours before serving. Cut into 24 bars.

Decadent Chocolate Pudding Cake (A slow cooker recipe)

1 small package (4 serving size) instant chocolate pudding
3 cups whole milk
1 package chocolate fudge cake mix without pudding
Real whipped cream OR good vanilla ice cream
Crushed peppermint candies

Spray a 3 1/2 quart slow cooker with nonstick cooking spray. Place the dry pudding mix into the slow cooker and whisk in the milk. Prepare the cake mix according to package directions. Carefully pour the batter over the pudding in the slow cooker. DO NOT STIR. Cover and cook on HIGH for 90 minutes or until the cake is set. Serve warm with real whipped cream (not whipped "topping") or ice cream and garnish with the crushed peppermint candies. SANDY'S NOTE: place a paper towel over the top of the slow cooker and hold it down with the cover. Don't let it touch the cake. It will keep the condensation from dripping back down into the cake as it cooks. Makes about 16 servings as it is very rich.

I have made many "scratch" cakes over the years and, yes, they are impressive and delicious. But, a cake mix really isn't cheating…much! The ingredients are pretty close to the same with the exception of some preservatives in the mix but who will know the difference in some of these recipes? And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society





Giving in memory to good causes

On September 18, friends and family hosted the first annual Ian Husske Memorial Trap Shoot. The event included several classes of competition, with prizes for the winners of each, along with concessions, door prizes and a raffle drawing. The event was held to raise funds for three recipients close to Ian and his family's hearts. Husske's family, parents Andrew and Nicole, brother Tyler and grandfather Bruce are pictured above making donations of $1,430 in Ian's memory. Pictured at top are Worth County deputies Bryon Olson and Kevin Knudson and sheriff Dan Fank, accepting a donation to the department's Shop with a Cop program, which helps the office provide gifts for children in need and their families each holiday season. Pictured below are coach Dean Mueller and team member Collin Houg of the Northwood-Kensett trap team. The family also donated 715 dollars to the Out of the Darkness walk at Southbridge Mall, which raises funds for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

Seger named to BVU Summer Dean's list

More than 100 students were recently recognized on the Summer 2021 Dean's List at Buena Vista University.

Named to the Dean's List was Kari Seger of Northwood

The Dean's List recognizes full-time students achieving a 3.5 grade point average or higher for the semester.

City of Northwood audit report released

Larry Pump, CPA, Charles City, recently released an audit report on the City of Northwood for the year that ended on June 30, 2021.

The City's receipts totaled $3,238,450 for the year, a 12.3% decrease from the prior year. Disbursements for the year totaled $3,045,593, a 16.8% decrease from the prior year. The decreases are due primarily to the sewer plant project completion.

Pump reported four findings related to the receipt and disbursement of taxpayer funds. They are found on pages 48 through 50 of this report. The findings address issues such as a lack of segregation of duties, utility billings, disbursements exceeding budgeted amounts and approval of construction contracts. Pump provided the City with recommendations to address each of the findings.

Two of the four findings discussed above are repeated from the prior year. The City Council has a fiduciary responsibility to provide oversight of the City's operations and financial transactions. Oversight is typically defined as the "watchful and responsible care" a governing body exercises in its fiduciary capacity.

A copy of the audit report is available for review on the Auditor of State's web site at auditor.iowa.gov/audit-reports.

Mosquito/ Public Health Pest Management meeting on October 27

The Worth County Extension Office will be offering a Commercial Applicators Recertification meeting for those certified in categories 7D, 8, and 10 on Wednesday, October 27.

The course will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 11:30 a.m. The class will be held at the Worth County Extension Office Community Room at the Worth County Fairgrounds in Northwood.

Those wanting to register are asked to contact Worth County Extension office manager Lacey Waller at the Worth County Extension Office in Northwood at 641-324-1531. Pre-registrations are required due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Participants may email Lacey at ljwaller@iastate.edu to get signed up.

Northwood City Clean Up Days

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Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Savvy Senior

Simple and inexpensive final farewells

Dear Savvy Senior,

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Simple Seniors

Dear Simple,

With the average cost of a full-service funeral running around $11,000 today, many people are seeking simple ways to make their final farewell more affordable. Depending on how you want to go, here are several low-cost options to consider.

Direct Cremation

If you and your husband are interested in cremation, a direct cremation is the simplest and least expensive way to go. It includes picking up the body, completing and filing the necessary paperwork, the cremation itself and returning the cremated remains to the family. There's no embalming, formal viewing or casket. A simple cardboard box called an "alternative container" is used to hold the body.

Depending on where you live and the funeral home you choose, the average cost for a direct cremation runs between $1,000 and $3,000. If you want additional services beyond what a direct cremation offers, ask the funeral home for an itemized price list that covers the other services cost, so you know exactly what you're getting. All providers are required by law to provide this.

To locate nearby funeral homes, look in your local yellow pages, or Google "cremation" or "funeral" followed by your city and state. You can also get good information online at Parting.com, which lets you compare prices from funeral providers in your area based on what you want.

Immediate or Direct Burial

If you're interested in being buried, an immediate/direct burial is the most basic and low-cost option. With an immediate burial, your body would be buried in a simple container shortly after death, skipping the embalming, viewing and use of the funeral facilities.

If your family wants a memorial service, they can have it at the graveside at your place of worship or at home without the body.

These services usually cost between $1,800 and $3,500, not counting cemetery charges, which can run you an additional $1,000 to $3,000. All funeral homes offer direct burial.

Green Burial

An eco-friendly green burial is another affordable way to go that costs anywhere from $1,000 to $4,000 depending on the provider. With a green cemetery burial, the body is buried in a biodegradable coffin or just wrapped in a shroud, without embalming chemicals or a burial vault.

The Green Burial Council (GreenBurialCouncil.org, 888-966-3330) has a state listing of cemetery operators who accommodate green burials, as well as funeral professionals who provide the services.

Anatomical Donation

If you'd like to eliminate your cremation/burial costs all together, as well as help advance medical research, you and your husband should consider donating your bodies to science. This option won't cost you a cent, however, some programs may charge a small fee to transport your body to their facility.

After using your body for medical research projects, anatomy lessons and surgical practice, your remains will be cremated and your ashes will be buried or scattered in a local cemetery or returned to your family, usually within a year.

To locate accredited university medical school body donation programs in your state, see the University of Florida's U.S. program directory at Anatbd.acb.med.ufl.edu/usprograms, or call the whole-body donation referral service during business hours at 800-727-0700.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

Editor's Note: The Savvy Senior column is a new addition to the Northwood Anchor and Manly Junction Signal. The column answers questions from seniors about topics, issues and concerns important to them. Please let us know if you enjoy the column and would like to see more.

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Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

I put a lot of thought into your birthday gift.

What did you get me?

A lot of thought.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. Summer is in the rearview mirror. The sounds of combines and migrating geese have become ubiquitous. At this time of the year, I recall the advice given to me by Tom Smith, a teacher of mine, who recommended getting a job where I drive west to work in the morning and east going home.

I'm a DIY guy

I completed a do-it-yourself project. I put a rear end in a chair. There's not much skill needed. That's the way I like it. During my formative years, a neighbor boy was said to be double-jointed. A book in the school library said it was hypermobility or digital hyperextensibility. His ability to extend a joint beyond the normal range was caused by genetics that brought flexible joints, loose ligaments and/or flexible bones. He could touch his thumb to the forearm of the same arm. I've heard it called a hitchhiker's thumb. His father claimed his son could be folded enough to fit into a glove compartment. My ability to sit in a comfortable chair is no mean feat and draws no crowds. I'm good with that.

A wandering soul

I visited with a person wearing a "I kind of don't care" T-shirt near Vail, Colorado. She told me she worked in customer service. If I were jaded, I'd have guessed that.

Thoughts on cooling weather

I grew up on intimate terms with an outhouse. It was too close to the house in the summer and too far away in the winter. Robert Frost wrote, "And were an epitaph to be my story, I'd have a short one ready for my own. I would have written of me on my stone: I had a lover's quarrel with the world." My quarrel wasn't with the world. It was with an outhouse on a gelid day.

I visited the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall exhibit to pay respects to the names of family members etched upon it. It's a replica of the wall in Washington, D.C., where I've left tears. In another war, my father-in-law was part of the first Marines to land on the assault on Iwo Jima. He was a farm boy far from home and never talked about that bloody battle other than telling me his watch had broken during the landing and he never knew the time. He was a good man who didn't enjoy cold weather and put on a coat when eating ice cream.

The bad joke therapy department

The three symptoms of laziness are: #1.

The price of used cars has gone up 32% this year, but the price of bananas has remained the same. What does that tell us about the economy? We should drive bananas.

Why did the chicken cross the road? Because the chicken had a laser pointer.

If I win the lottery, no one near me will be poor. I'll move to a rich neighborhood.

Arnold Schwarzenegger agrees to play a German composer of the Baroque era in a movie, just so he could say, "I'll be Bach."

What did the orange say to the apple? Nothing. Oranges can't talk.

I've learned

A house cat reminds us we aren't the center of the universe.

Men read billboards aloud when in a car. It lets others know we notice our surroundings.

You know you're lost when your GPS suggests you stop and ask for directions.

No man has ever taken his family to a theme park and said, "I can't believe how little we've spent here."

Nature notes

White-throated sparrows and yellow-rumped warblers abound. Goldenrod, milkweed and cattail go to seed. Virginia creeper, sumac (smooth and staghorn) and red maple turn red. Virginia creeper climbs trees, making for lovely, red trunks. Ash, aspen, basswood, birch, elm, hackberry, ironwood and sugar maple leaves yellow. The female great horned owl usually hoots first, and the male replies at a lower pitch. Even though a female is a third larger than a male, the male has a bigger voice box (syrinx). An owl issues a stuttering hoot-a-hoot; hoo-hoo. A mnemonic is "Who's awake? Me too."

Dick Smaby and Terry Dorsey were golfing in Austin when they heard a barred owl call six times. Then all they heard were crows. The crows found the owls and were happy to express their hatred.

Meeting adjourned

"The hardest arithmetic to master is that which enables us to count our blessings."—Eric Hoffer. Be kind.

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Fit to print...

How can we keep our composure when everyone is so angry?

By Michael Bugeja
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Everyone seems to be angry these days, but maintaining composure can help calm people around us. (Photo by Priscilla Du Preez via Unsplash)

Everyone seems angry, cheated, entitled, resentful, deprived — new American norms afflicting every walk of life — from viral Karens and road-raging Kens to berserker travelers and conspiratorial lawmakers.

What has happened to Americans in the past decade?

Many blame fake news. Others, social media. And some say we're responding psychologically to real depredation and disenfranchisement.

Whatever the cause, many of us seem to lack composure. Simply defined, composure is a feeling of calmness in the wake of criticism or crisis, knowing we have the wherewithal to handle any situation that might arise.

Life is difficult enough without coronavirus. Wearing masks is sensible and essential. But that has triggered all manner of rebellion, covering the mouth and shrouding identity when many of us want to air complaints.

A New York Times article, "The March of the Karens," associates that name with "a type of interfering, hectoring white woman, the self-appointed hall monitor unloosed on the world," demanding to speak to police for trivial or imaginary transgressions.

There is no consensus about the name of the male version of Karen, although "Ken" is gaining traction. He is described as an entitled snob, never satisfied with anything, "a jerk to the waiting staff, who always wants to speak to the manager."

The Times article makes a salient observation. A Karen or Ken "has only words as weapons, and those words no longer hold as much power as they once did." As a result, they resort to people with real power to enforce their wishes, and they resist."

That enrages them.

Pandemic pique, road rage

A biting rebuke of this reaction is Late Show host Stephen Colbert's satiric rendering of Dolly Parton's "Jolene" with the theme changed to "I'm begging you, please just wear a mask."

Masks have sparked a rise in unruly airline passengers, with the Federal Aviation Administration levying more than $1 million in fines. Between January and August 2021, the FAA logged 3,889 reports of unruly behavior, "nearly three-fourths of which were passengers who allegedly refused to comply with the federal face mask mandate in airports and on airplanes."

Anger doesn't abate when traveling in cars and trucks, with or without masks. In the past seven years, some 12,610 injuries and 218 murders have been attributed to road rage. A statistical report attributes causes to drunk driving, mental breakdowns and emotional strain.

Political angst

Americans are feeling emotional strain because of partisan politics. According to Science Daily, "Nearly 40% of Americans surveyed for a new study said politics is stressing them out, and 4% — the equivalent of 10 million U.S. adults — reported suicidal thoughts related to politics."

A 2016 report by the Pew Research Center found for the first time since 1992, "majorities in both parties express not just unfavorable but very unfavorable views of the other party." Some 55% of Democrats are afraid of Republicans and 49% of Republicans are afraid of Democrats.

An article in Psychology Today titled "The Politics of Fear" explains how politicians use that emotion to divide us, often with the media's help. "Fear is a very strong tool that can blur humans' logic and change their behavior."

Americans were fearful before the pandemic. Fear is at its zenith. An article in the Journal of Anxiety Disorders notes that fear is a normal response to the presence of danger. "However, when threat is uncertain and continuous, as in the current coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, fear can become chronic and burdensome."

We see segments regularly on the news. Fear is at the heart of rage in stores, cars, planes, and on the floor of Congress. Everyone wants to speak their mind no matter whom it hurts or offends.

As Benjamin Franklin once observed, "Thinking aloud is a habit which is responsible for most of mankind's misery."

The solution: composure

The antidote is composure. There is a dearth of it at the moment, but it is not yet dead.

Forbes published a useful article about how to maintain composure during difficult times. Here are recommendations:

- Do not take things personally, allowing emotions to dominate your day.
- Keep a positive mental attitude and project confidence in everyday activities.
- Act decisively when situations warrant but also be accountable for your actions.
- Remain calm in crises. Speak less. Listen more.

Those are easy to remember but hard to practice. But the more you do, the more others will heed and model that behavior, especially at the workplace.

To effect this, Franklin practiced a daily routine. When he awoke each morning, he envisioned the good he would do in the world. When he went to bed each night, he reflected on how well he lived up to his intentions.

For better or worse, all of us wear the mask of moral character that no cloth covering can conceal. Composure reflects that character, enabling you to rise above the daily vexations that plague us.

Northwood Anchor

Early Files

100 years ago

October 5, 1921

Knudt Bjorka, Worth County's popular Farm Bureau agent who resigned on October 1, was the guest of honor at a party given on Friday afternoon by county officials and other courthouse employees. A beautiful fountain pen was presented him with the compliments and best wishes of his fellow workers.

The stockholders of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Grafton, a private institution, at a recent meeting voted to incorporate as the Farmers State Bank, with a capital of $25,000 and a surplus of $15,000, making a total capitalization of $40,000. A new bank building is under construction, and it is said will be ready for occupancy within 60 days.

Henry Holmes, son of Mrs. W.H. Holmes, of Northwood, and well known here, was married on September 28 to Miss Mary Beighley of Gordonsville, at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Peter Nelson, at that place. The young couple left immediately for Medford, Minnesota, where Mr. Holmes is connected with the Quality Cement Products Co.

H.C. Stendel, butter-maker at the Tenold creamery, has won many prizes on his butter in years past but what is probably the highest-honor that he has ever received was awarded last week when he scored first overall at the Dairy Cattle Congress in Waterloo.

After 26 years of storekeeping at Deer Creek, P.I. Hendrickson will turn over the keys next Monday to his successor and devote all his time to farming operations in the future. The new owner of the store is S.A. Watney, of Spring Valley, Minnesota.

Committees for the Civic League organization have been working hard to complete plans and make the "get acquainted meeting" at the high school building on Friday evening a success, both in the matter of attendance and entertainment. The gathering is a public one planned for the purpose of teachers, school board and school patrons becoming better acquainted.

75 years ago

October 3, 1946

Four townships in Worth and Mitchell counties and the town of Carpenter will vote on the matter of buying a fire truck, on a special ballot at the general election on November 5. Action to this effect has been taken by the trustees of Deer Creek and Barton townships in Worth County, and of Newburg and Otranto townships in Mitchell County, as well as the town council of Carpenter.

A new city hall and fire station are in prospect for Northwood as soon as building materials are available. Action was taken by the town council at its regular meeting on Tuesday evening authorizing the building committee to negotiate with an architect for plans for such a building, which it is hoped can be erected in the not distant future.

The official weather record for week ending October 2, 1946: High 74: low 33; rain, .36 inches. Week ending October 2, 1945: High 60; low 27; rain 1.31 inches.

Gus Schultz, who came to Worth County from Scribner, Nebraska, seven years ago, will have a closing out sale on Thursday, October 10, preparatory to moving to Kensett, where he recently bought a residence and also the Bulk Oil Co. service station business.

Frank Tews, 87, resident of Myrtle vicinity for nearly 70 years, died this (Thursday) morning at his farm home south of Myrtle. Funeral services will be held on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Bethlehem church near Myrtle.

The plant of the North Iowa Processing Co., at Manly, commonly referred to as the soybean plant, closed last week for the purpose of given the machinery an extensive rebuilding and overhauling in preparation for the coming year's run.

50 years ago

October 7, 1971

Rehearsals are in full swing for the Northwood-Kensett fall musical, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown." This new musical will be presented November 5 and 6 in the West Elementary Auditorium with curtain time at 8 p.m. The cast for the production consists of cartoon characters with Brian Groe portraying Charlie Brown; Bobbie Perry, Lucy; Miriam Schmidt, Patty; James Iverson, Schroeder; Craig Erdmann, Linus; and Bruce Davidson, Snoopy.

Hubert A. Josselin, an International Farm Youth Exchange Student from Mery La Bataelle, France, will spend from October 10 to 19 at the Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ferden home, Manly. Josselin has been in the United States since May 12, 1971, and lived in Bozeman, Montana, and Ames before coming to Manly. He is 24 years old, has three brothers and two sisters and speaks French, German and English. His home farm consists of 340 acres, where the family raises corn and wheat.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Zimmerman, Amy and Scott moved from Albert Lea to 737th Central Avenue, Northwood, on Friday. Mr. Zimmerman is owner and manger of the Friendly Circus Tap in the former Fallgatter building. The Zimmermans are building a new home of the corner of Fourth Street and Third Avenue North at the site of the old Hopperstad house which was burned recently by the Northwood Fire Department.

Ron Olson and Glenn Williams, both employees of the Northwood Anchor, are shown operating the new process camera, which was installed about two weeks ago. The camera produces a page-size negative and prepares photos for printing in the Anchor. The negative is then burned into an aluminum sheet and printed at the central plant in Osage.

25 years ago

October 2, 1996

The 1996 Northwood-Kensett homecoming court includes Ryan Meyer, Gina Perkins, Rick Stotts, Ryan Buehrer, Jena Julseth, Jill Dodd, Dave Follmuth, Laurie Steinmetz, Kevin McNutt and Jennifer Bugge. The new queen and king will be crowned Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. in the high school gym.

Tyler Stading told his classmates and some visiting parents in Diane Hanson's second grade class last Friday why he'd like to be a meter reader when he grows up.

Alan Anderson of Northwood Ag Products has been named to the "Winner's Circle" as one of the top dealers for DeKalb Genetics Corporation. DeKalb sells its agricultural seed through a network of more than 7,000 dealers. Winner's Circle honors those who achieve goals based on service to their customers, sale volume and increases in seed order.

Northwood Public Library board member Marybelle Block accepted a historical booklet from Worth County Sesquicentennial Commission members Violet Walk and Bev Madsen last week following a Sesquicentennial program in the library's reading room.

Jay and Robin Hopperstad are the proud parents of an 8 lb. baby boy born on Tuesday, September 24, at North Iowa Mercy Health Center, Mason City. He has been named Marty Ray. Grandparents are Jerry and Jan Hopperstad and Ron and Linda Loken, all of Northwood. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Ray Hopperstad and Herman Hempen, also of Northwood.

Kenneth Johnson, of Northwood, accepted an award from Gordon Anderson, Latham Seeds District Sales Manger.

SA Nicole Dalluge graduated August 9 from Naval recruit training at Great Lakes, Illinois. She is currently stationed at Great Lakes Naval Hospital. Nicole is the daughter of David and Penny Dalluge, Northwood, and is a 1996 Northwood-Kensett graduate.

10 years ago

October 5, 2011

Recently the Kensett Lions purchased $294 worth of bowling passes for the Worth County mentoring program. Linda Waters of Nordic Lanes happily accepted a check from Janis Borum for the passes. Two young Northwood boys, Lane and Isaiah Anderson, keep Borum busy each Thursday after school. They usually make a trip to Nordic Lanes to bowl. The Lions' donation makes it a little easier for all the mentees and mentors to have fun together.

The newest addition to the resources available to the Worth County Sheriffs Office provides a means of transporting prisoners to and from the Worth County Jail. Formerly the sheriff's office had two squad cars at the courthouse. One of those was used primarily by the sheriff's reserves and as a spare vehicle when one of the deputies' squad cars was unavailable. The other extra squad car was used to transport prisoners to and from the Worth County Jail.

Sophomore Taryn VanRyswyk has been stellar at the service line this season for the 9-10 Lady Vikings. VanRyswyk is third on the team with a .936 serving percentage and has 12 aces.

Seniors Shayne Olson and Tanner Haberman team up to stop a West Hancock ball carrier for little or no gain in Fridays night's 49-6 loss to the Eagles.

Senior hitter Tessa Bratrud hit the ball Tuesday night in Northwood as the Lady Vikings crushed the Saints in 3 sets, 25-19, 25-21, and 25-21.

Overall winners for the women in the Worth County Jaycees' first annual 5K run and walk included Diane Frank in the first place, Emily Nelson in second place and Angie Gaskill in third place.



A good sign

A new addition was recently made to the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company headquarters recently. A digital display was added, which shares information about the NVFC and community events. The sign was funded partially with a grant from the WCDA, along with a monument that will accompany the sign in the future.

Senior Moments

By Sandy Olson

People use the term "senior moment" when they suddenly forget a word or an idea flies out of their head before there is a chance to express it. I can certainly relate to that and sometimes my "senior moments" are in regard to all the things I'm involved in doing at the same time. But activity keeps me young and I know it does the same for many other "seasoned" men and women. It's just that overload can happen if we don't organize things in a way that allows us to retrieve the information we need when we need it. Right now for me, that information concerns happenings at the Northwood Senior Center and October is an active month. We've filled it with fun and games; here's what's happening:

On Thursday, October 7 AND Monday, October 18, we'll be playing Fun Bingo. Yep, twice this month because everyone has such a good time winning little prizes plus getting bragging rights as winners of this quick and easy card game. Time is 12:30 p.m. on each day; come to one or both!

On Thursday, October 14, Lois Meyer will entertain us with Worth County Trivia at 12:30 p.m. Do you remember what was happening back in the day? Lois does! See if you can top her knowledge.

Leila Gangstad will be demonstrating the art of knitting a simple scarf on Thursday, October 21. Many people learned to knit years ago but didn't keep it up. Others have always wanted to learn but never got around to it. Leila will bring yarn and needles to show the technique and if you have supplies at your house, dig them out to bring with you to knit along with Leila. The scarf will come in handy with the cooler weather we're sure to have! This might evolve into a knitting club that meets regularly.

Lois Meyer will again entertain at a lunch concert on Thursday, October 28. Come for lunch and music by reserving your meal. Call Judy Olson at 641-324-1244 before 8 a.m. on the day you want to join the group for lunch…or better yet, call her earlier in the week so she'll have you on the list. Music helps digestion.

Tuesdays at the Northwood Senior Center has been reserved for those who want to use the space to play cards or games. This can be a self-directed activity where groups of friends gather to form their own card-playing teams but we're also going to have lessons now and then. On Tuesday, October 19, Chuck Stock invites anyone who would like to play…or learn to play…Texas Hold 'em to join him. New learners are welcome; those who used to play but don't anymore can hone their skills. Experienced players can form their own groups. On the same day, Sandy Olson will be teaching Texas Canasta which is a bit different from the original form of the game. If that sounds interesting, plan to jump in! Both of these lessons will begin at 12:30 p.m. but card/game players with their own groups can come early and stay after lunch. Other groups to play games such as Yahtzee, Chess, Dominoes, Checkers etc. are welcome too; just gather a group of friends along with your own games and come over on Tuesdays. If you plan to use the Center space to play with your own group, please inform Judy Olson so she can make arrangements for securing the building when you leave.

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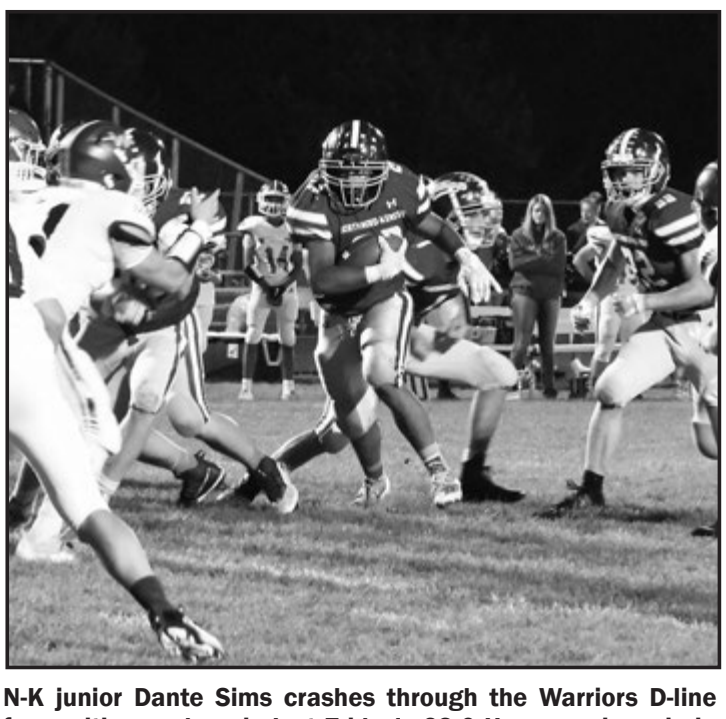
ANDREW WILDER

Stat of the Week: *After falling to North Iowa last week while putting just 20 points on the board, N-K's senior QB Drew Wilder had the offense back up and running in the team's 63-0 Homecoming win last Friday night over RRMR. Wilder, a first-year starter at QB, ran the ball 13 times for 56 yards and threw for another 98 yards and two TDs, completing all three of his passes. For the year now Wilder has rushed for 502 yards and seven TDs while in the pocket the talented senior is 17-35 for 289 yards and four TDs.*



CHLOE COSTELLO

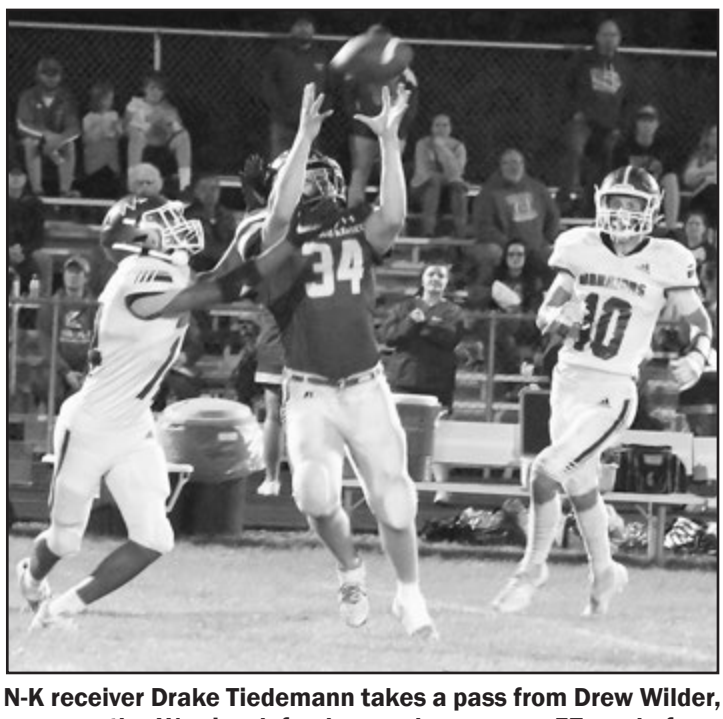
Stat of the Week: *With the team's five seniors taking up all but one spot on the floor it's been difficult for the underclassmen to show what they can do. But one that has stood out for her play at the net is sophomore Chloe Costello. The talented sophomore had two kills last Tuesday night against the Saints and now has 56 kills for the year, ranking her third on the team. Costello is also second with 22 blocks and she holds her own at the service line, going 108-125 on the year, a very respectable 86.4 service percentage.*



N-K junior Dante Sims crashes through the Warriors D-line for positive yardage in last Friday's 63-0 Homecoming win in Northwood. Sims had an 8.1 average on 14 carries and gained 113 yards on the night.



Halfback Josiah Kliment runs in the open field for a 41 TD in the Vikings' 63-0 Homecoming win over RRMR. Kliment rushed for 108 yards and led the team with three TDs. Kliment now has 384 yards rushing on the year and a team leading nine rushing TDs.



N-K receiver Drake Tiedemann takes a pass from Drew Wilder, escapes the Warrior defenders and scampers 57 yards for a TD. Tiedemann has five receptions on the year now for a team high 177 yards and three TDs.

Vikings cruise past RRMR in 63-0 Homecoming shutout

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

Long gone are the days of Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock's huge linemen who were able to push around opposing teams at the line of scrimmage. Instead, the 2021 version of Warrior football found themselves on the receiving end of being pushed around in the 63-0 non-district loss last Friday night in Northwood.

The Vikings, who have now won two in a row over RRMR, have outscored the Warriors 127-20 the past two years and achieved their second shutout over their rivals in the last five games, including a 58-0 win in 2015.

In last Friday night's Homecoming game, the Warriors took the opening kickoff and had to punt after just three offensive plays, giving the Vikings a first and 10 at the RRMR 37-yard line.

From there, Dante Sims ran the ball three times for 36 yards and then left it to QB Drew Wilder to score from one yard out for an early 8-0 lead. Less than four minutes later the Vikings were in the endzone again, this time a Josiah Kliment five-yard TD run, giving N-K a 15-0 lead.

After a Monte Sims interception, Wilder hit Drake Tiedemann, who had slipped past the Warriors secondary for a 27-yard score and a commanding 22-0 lead with over four minutes still remaining in the first quarter.

With another three and out for RRMR, Kliment burst through the line, found some open ground, made an amazing spin move to shed his last obstacle, and then sprinted to the endzone for the 39-yard score.

Before the first quarter horn sounded though the Vikings would score again when Tiedemann got loose in the secondary once again, scoring on a 57-yard TD reception, giving the Vikings a 35-0 lead with 1:12 remaining in the first quarter.

With the running clock now going from the first quarter on, the Vikings were able to score on runs by Kliment (2 yards), Dante Sims (7 yards), Kooper Julseth (12 yards) and a Dalton Logeman 42-yard fumble return to close out the rout over RRMR, 63-0.

Dante Sims and Kliment led the team in the ground game with 113 and 108 yards rushing respectively while Wilder went 3-3 for 98 yards and two passing TDs, giving him an all-world QB rating of 320.5.

Tiedemann, who caught two TD passes on the night, ended his senior Homecoming game with two receptions for 84 yards. He now leads the team on the year with five catches for 177 yards and three TDs.

With the non-district win over RRMR the Vikings are now 4-2 overall and 2-2 in 8-man district 2.

N-K will travel to Fort Dodge this Friday to face St. Edmond, who is 1-4 overall and just 1-3 in district play.

NK 63, RRMR 0

RRMR	0	0	0	0	– 0
N-K	35	7	7	14	– 63

Team Totals

Vikings	Warriors
First Downs 15	6
Rush-Yards-TD 46-303-6	30-72-0
Pass Yards 98	12
Comp.-Att.-TD-Int. 3-3-2-0	3-8-0-1
Total Yards 401	84
Penalty-Yards 1-5	1-5
Turnovers-Lost 1-1	2-2

Scoring

First Quarter

N-K – Drew Wilder 1 run (conv. good)

N-K – Josiah Kliment 5 run (PAT good)

N-K – Drake Tiedemann 27 pass from Wilder (PAT good)

N-K – Kliment 41 run (PAT good)

N-K – Tiedemann 57 pass from Wilder (PAT good)

Second Quarter

N-K – Kliment 2 run (PAT good)

Third Quarter

N-K – Dante Sims 7 run (PAT good)

Fourth Quarter

N-K – Kooper Julseth 12 run ((PAT good)

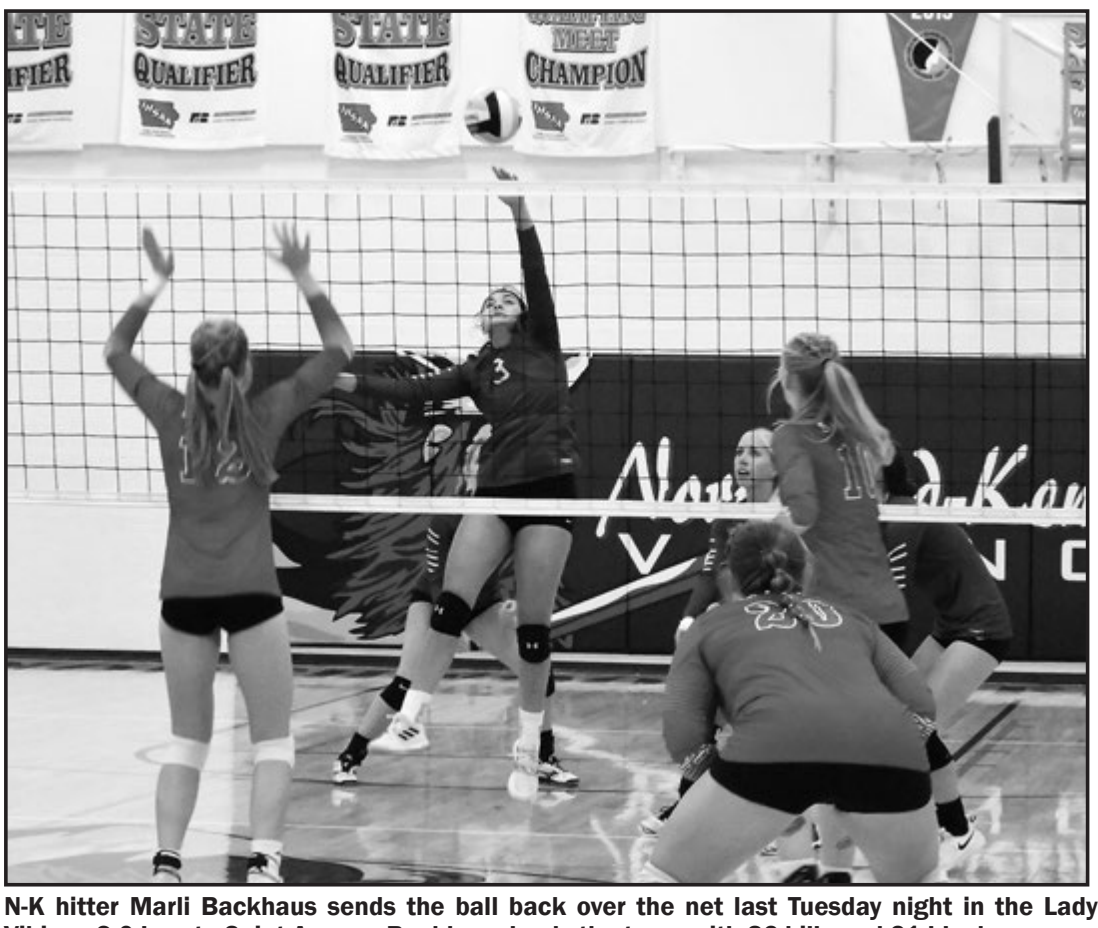
N-K – Dalton Logeman 42 fumble return (PAT good)

District 2 Standings

District 2		Overall	
Bishop-Garrigan	2-0	3-2	
GTRA	3-1	5-1	
Harris-Lake Park	2-1	4-2	
Northwood-Kensett	2-2	4-2	
North Iowa	2-3	2-4	
West Bend-Mallard	2-4	2-4	
St. Edmond	1-3	1-4	



Senior hitter Carly Hengesteg slips the ball past two Saint Ansgar defenders in last Tuesday night's 3-0 (16-25, 14-25, 9-25) TIC East loss. Hengesteg is second on the team with 73 kills while going 126-144 at the service line with a team high 17 aces on the year.



N-K hitter Marli Backhaus sends the ball back over the net last Tuesday night in the Lady Vikings 3-0 loss to Saint Ansgar. Backhaus leads the team with 86 kills and 21 blocks.

Lady Vikings in middle of six game skid with 3-0 loss to St. Ansgar

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Northwood-Kensett volleyball team lost its sixth match in a row last Tuesday night in Northwood, losing in three straight sets to Saint Ansgar, 25-16, 25-14 and 25-9.

In the first set the lady Vikings held a 2-1 lead only to see the Saints go on a 15-3 run and fell behind 16-5. Not willing to surrender though, N-K battled back and while it failed to win the first set, they nonetheless made a game of it before falling by nine, 25-16.

Trailing 20-7 in the second set N-K shook off the cobwebs and rallied to close the gap to 20-14 before the Saints closed the door on it, finishing off the set with five consecutive points to win the set, 25-14.

In the third and final set of the night the Lady Vikings fell behind 8-0 before they were able to get on the board, but the constant onslaught coming from the SA hitters eventually took its toll on N-K as it fell in the third set, 25-9.

And while the Lady Vikings did themselves no favors with an 84.6 percent serving percentage, they did have a few girls that stood out at the service line, including Morgan Wallin (9-9), Peyton Shoger (11-11) and Emma Davidson (7-7).

Going up against one of the top teams in the Top of Iowa Conference East can be challenging, but the coaching staff believes the team rose to the occasion despite the 3-0 loss.

"I was very happy with how they came out to play against probably the best team we've seen this season," said Lady Vikings head coach Mackensie Sauerbrei. "Hopefully, with Osage coming up this will help us prepare for next week when we go to Osage. We're finally starting to click as the season comes to an end, hopefully we can carry that over into the tournament."

With the loss to the Saints the Lady Vikings are now 4-16 overall and 2-6 in the TIC East.

After facing SA, the second-best team in the conference last week, N-K had to face the best team in the conference this Tuesday night, class 2A's 13th ranked Green Devils of Osage.

SA 3, N-K 0

	1	2	3
SA	25	25	25
NK	16	14	9

TIC East Standings

	TIC East	Overall
Osage	7-0	18-8
Saint Ansgar	6-1	14-9
Nashua-Plainfield	5-2	9-12
Central Springs	5-3	17-8
North Butler	3-4	12-11
West Fork	2-5	5-12
Newman Catholic	2-6	5-17
Northwood-Kensett	2-6	4-16
Rockford	1-6	4-16

Northwood-Kensett Future Farmers of America members competed at the Iowa State Fair





Ryder Lestrud competed in the Ag Mechanics Tractor Restoration contest and received a purple for his tractor entry.



Austin Foss showed a market lamb and a commercial ewe, receiving a sixth place purple and a ninth place blue with his entries.



Meaghan Petznick showed a commercial ewe and placed first in her class, receiving a purple for her entry.



Kennedy Eskildsen showed two commercial heifers placing fifth in her class with blue ribbons with both of her entries.

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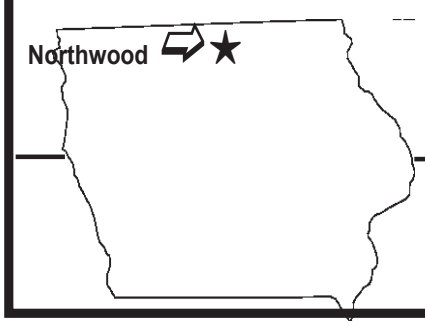
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Glenville-Emmons homecoming

Glenville-Emmons celebrated homecoming this past week and weekend with coronation and the crowning of the king, Isaac Hornberger and queen Gracie Dahlum for 2021.

2021 Glenville-Emmons homecoming court

G-E homecoming court includes (from left) Crown Bearer Ada Madson, Myah Anderson, Hailey Pater, Gracie Dahlum, Isaac Hornberger, Brandon Espe, Jackson Ellingson and Crown Bearer Kase Nelson. Photo credits to Jodi Attig and Sam Chapek.

Bolan

On Saturday afternoon Joe and Linda Nydegger and Daniel Nydegger attended the Steve Johnson Cross Country Invitational Event at Wartburg College. There were 25 high school teams participating.

Ben Nydegger ran his first varsity meet with the Mt. Vernon Mustangs with a time of 18:30. He also participated in two high school band competitions in Cedar Rapids that day; one in the morning and one late in the afternoon. Ben played one of the large drums and Clare her trumpet. Ben's dad, Loren Nydegger, saw to it that he got to all three events.

Joe and Daniel continued on to Mt. Vernon to enjoy the chili cook-off. Renee and Kathryn participated making their famous chili, and Dave and Mike Kragenbrink made grilled cheese sandwiches.

Twenties Club

Ten Twenties club members met on Monday, Sept. 13, at the home of Deb Nagle, hostess, with Connie Hogen as co-hostess.

President Becky Hickman called the meeting to order. Becky Tews, secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting and roll call. A motion was made by Connie Hogen to approve the minutes with a second by Sandy Hydfe. Delores Knudson, treasurer, gave the treasurer's report. Delores also read a thank you from a graduating senior of 2021 for the senior tea gift.

New Business: The club will deliver Meals on Wheels the week of September 20-14. Connie Hogen, Sonya Dahle, Sandy Olson, Delores Knudson, Sandy Hyde, Marcia Price and Becky Hickman volunteered to deliver the meals.

Meeting was adjourned.

Kathleen Lommen gave a program on the Bobbed Hair Bandit, Celia Cooney. She and her husband went on a robbing spree in the spring of 1924 in Brooklyn, New York. Going with the theme this year "Who's behind that mask?" the Bobbed Hair Bandit would use her arm to cover her face and her husband would use a kerchief. Kathleen Lommen also showed pictures of earlier masks of that era.

The next meeting is Monday, October 11, at 7 p.m. at the home of Delores Knudson.

City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on 9/27/21 at 6 pm with Mayor Moehle presiding and the following council members present:

George-Zenz, Meyer, Nerlien, Tenold. Absent: Reeder.

Motion to approve the agenda. Unam.

Motion to approve the following under Consent Agenda: Approve Council Meeting Minutes of September 13, 2021. Unam.

Motion to approve the FY21 Audit Report as presented by Larry Pump, CPA. Unam.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2109-19 Approve 28E Law Enforcement Agreement with the Worth County Sheriff. Unam.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2109-20 Approve 28E Agreement with N-K Community School District for real estate transfers and agreement of payment for a portion of expenses related to construction of a street. Aye: Nerlien, Tenold, George-Zenz. Nay: Meyer. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT WORTH COUNTY
Probate No. ESPR 009281
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LINDA J. JOHNSON, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of LINDA J. JOHNSON, Deceased, who died on or about April 26, 2021:

You are hereby notified that on the 13th day of September, 2021, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate.

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 four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this 13th day of September 2021.

/2/ Dennis Johnson
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Administrator of the Estate

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ICIS#: AT0006007
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Date of second publication 6th day of October, 2021.

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2021 FINAL EQUALIZATION ORDER

Pursuant to Iowa Code Section 441.49, the Director of Revenue and Finance of the State of Iowa hereby notifies you of the percentage adjustments proposed by him to the 2021 valuations of real property in Worth County.

CLASS OF PROPERTY
Percentage Adjustment to Reported 2021 Actual Values

Agricultural Land and Structures excluding Residential Dwellings on Agricultural Realty, Outside and Within Incorporated Cities, DECREASE 10%

Residential Realty including Residential Dwellings on Agricultural Realty, Outside and Within Incorporated Cities, NO ADJUSTMENT

Commercial Realty Excluding Machinery and Equipment referred to in Chapter 427A, Outside and Within Incorporated Cities, NO ADJUSTMENT

Multiresidential Realty, Excluding Equipment Referred to in Chapter 427A, Outside and Within Incorporated Cities, NO ADJUSTMENT

THE WORTH COUNTY ASSESSOR HAS REQUESTED AND RECEIVED AUTHORIZATION TO USE AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF APPLYING THE ABOVE LISTED 2021 EQUALIZATION ORDER TO THE FOLLOWING CLASS OF PROPERTY:

Agricultural Land & Structures, Excluding Residential Dwellings, Decrease Buildings 0%

On Agricultural Realty, Outside and Within Incorporated Cities, Decrease Land 10%

THE COUNTY AUDITOR SHALL ADJUST THE VARIOUS CLASSES OF PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY ACCORDING TO THE ABOVE FORMULA AS DIRECTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF REVENUE AND FINANCE OF THE STATE OF IOWA FOR THE 2021 VALUATIONS.

ASSESSED VALUES ARE EQUALIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND FINANCE EVERY TWO YEARS. LOCAL TAXING AUTHORITIES DETERMINE THE FINAL TAX LEVIES AND MAY REDUCE PROPERTY TAX RATES TO COMPENSATE FOR ANY INCREASE IN VALUATION DUE TO EQUALIZATION. IF YOU ARE NOT SATISFIED THAT YOUR ASSESSMENT AS ADJUSTED BY THE EQUALIZATION ORDER IS CORRECT, YOU MAY FILE A PROTEST AGAINST SUCH ASSESSMENT WITH THE BOARD OF REVIEW ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 9, TO AND INCLUDING OCTOBER 31. IOWA CODE § 441.49(2)(a).

ALL PROTESTS MUST BE FILED ON FORMS IN THE WORTH COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

JACKI A. BACKHAUS
WORTH COUNTY AUDITOR

Supervisors

September 27, 2021
Thirty-ninth 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 Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve the September 27, 2021 board agenda.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve the September 20, 2021 board minutes.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve claims in the amount of $425,077.81 as per the following schedule:

Advanced Drainage Sys Inc
Supplies-Eng 190.64
Alliant Energy
Service-Gsr 6,753.74
Austin Office Products
Supplies-Shf 99.90
Bmc Aggregates Llc
Rock-Eng 1,793.08
Bob Barker Company Inc
Supplies-Shf 243.00
Cindy Thompson
Reimb-Asr 252.28
Crisis Intervention Service
Fy22 Appro-Org 1,000.00
D & L Equipment
Service-Con 741.09
Elderbridge Agency On Aging
Fy22 Appro-Org 2,814.00
Electronic Engineering
Service-Shf 250.00
Falkstone Llc, Rock-Eng 994.79
Fertile Public Library/City Of Fertile, Fy22 Appro-Lib 9,500.00
Forest City Ford, Inc
Equip-Shf 40,076.00
Galls, Llc, Supplies-Shf 130.50
Grafton Public Library/City Of Grafton
Fy22 Appro-Lib 9,500.00
Healthy Harvest Of No Ia
Fy22 Appro-Org 1,307.50
Ia Dept Of Transportation
Supplies-Eng 22,151.30
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Reimb-Aud 531.96
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Supplies 361.10
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Kensett Public Library/City Of Kensett, Fy22 Appro-Lib 9,500.00
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Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Dap 171.06
Midwest Pipe Supply Inc
Supplies-Eng 233.60
Niacog, Service-Tra 169.16
Nk Viking Activity Center
Fy22 Appro-Org 2,500.00
Northwood Public Library/City Of Northwood
Fy22 Appro-Lib 9,500.00
Northwood Senior Center Inc
Fy22 Appro-Org 1,150.00
Nuss Truck & Equipment Inc
Supplies-Eng 1,419.55
Peopleservice Inc
Service-Wat & Wwt 17,063.00
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc
Service-Shf 335.30
Reinhart Food Service Llc
Supplies-Shf 288.86
Robert Aamodt
Safety-Eng 150.00
Sanofi Pasteur Inc
Supplies-Phd 3,854.47
Sirchie Acquisition Company Llc
Service-Shf 76.50
Soil & Water Conservation Dist
Fy22 Appro-Org 1,000.00
Staples Credit Plan
Supplies 213.36
Tom Wentworth
Safety-Eng 250.00
Tyler Technologies Inc
Service-Dap 103,629.38
Vanguard Appraisals Inc
Service-Asr 28,305.00
Verizon Wireless
Service-It/Gis 385.59
Viafield, Supplies-Gsr 223.72
Visa, Service-Asr 4,286.65
Vogel Traffic Services, Inc
Supplies-Eng 55,430.75
Whks & Co
Service-Eng 15,105.78
Worth County Engineer
Fuel-Shf 6,571.19
Worth County Extension
Fy22 Appro-Org 20,000.00
Worth County Fair
Fy22 Appro-Org 16,000.00
Grand Total 425,077.81

Motion by Loberg, second by Smeby, carried to approve salary increase for Kirsten Wendel at $17.65/hour as submitted by the sheriff and payroll eligibility verification for Diane Myli at $25.00/hour as submitted by public health.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to approve 28E agreement between Worth County and RSVP of North Central Iowa.

Motion by Smeby, second by Loberg, carried to adjourn at 10:06 A.M. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be Monday, October 4, 2021 at 8:30 A.M.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Aaron Stone, Chairperson

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VIKINGS

Despite lack of numbers N-K's XC runners continue to improve

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

It's got to be tough on runners who come from teams with little to very low numbers, but even though they can never post a score as a team, the Northwood-Kensett cross country runners continue to show heart, and most importantly, improvement over the course of the season.

In last Monday's meet at Garner-Hayfield-Ventura Megan Ocel and Macy Thorson proudly wore the N-K colors as the only runners on the team. Ocel, a veteran as a sophomore in XC, placed 19th with a time of 25:22 while Thorson ran the course in 28:18.

The boys had just four runners competing in Garner, including Hayden Moore (19th), Thomas Block (21st), Christopher Madsen (33rd) and Trent Tiedemann (56th).

N-K's XC teams have a busy schedule this week with meets on Monday at Lake Mills and Thursday at West Fork.

Girls Team Scores at GHV – West Fork 42, Garner-Hayfield-Ventura 43, Osage 65, West Hancock 88, North Butler 128

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