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Briefs

Bolan holds pancake brunch on February 20 at Bethel UMC

Local churches invite families to get ready for "ZOOMERANG, Returning to the Value of Life!" It has an Australian flair with kangaroos and koala bears. VBS will be held in Bolan on June 20 - 24, 2022, the week after the Worth County Fair.

A fundraiser to help with the expense of ordering materials will take place this Sunday, February 20, at Bethel United Methodist Church, Highway 9 E., in Manly.

A free-will offering all you can eat pancake meal, with sausages, bananas and OJ, milk and coffee will be served from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church holds World Day of Prayer program

World Day of Prayer will be held on Friday, March 4, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Manly, starting at 1:30 p.m.

The program "I Know the Plans I Have for You" is from Jeremiah 29:1-14. The program was written by the World Day of Prayer Committee from England, Wales, and Northern Ireland.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Worth County 4-H Washington, D.C. orientation meeting held on Feb. 27

The Worth County Extension Service will be hosting a Worth County 4-H Washington, D.C. trip orientation meeting on Sunday, February 27, at 6 p.m. to go over

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Prizes to love

Dave and Marge Tenold of Northwood were the lucky winners of the Northwood Chamber of Commerce's Valentines drawing. Each year, the Chamber sponsors a contest to recognize one local winner, and their loved one or loved ones, with a number of prized donated by members. The Tenolds are pictured with Valentine's gifts that included a night's stay at the Country Inn & Suites, dinner for two at Tequila's Mexican Bar & Grill; two movie tickets for the Northwood Theatre, flowers from the Flower Forager, a bottle of champagne from Shade Tree Liquors, a box of chocolates from Fallgatter's Market Place, a chocolate cake from Fat Jill's and a custom wine bag from Quality Quilting Service.

Supervisors look at next steps in planning for TIF projects

With a number of big projects and potential economic development requests to consider, the Worth County supervisors learned last week about the steps needed to use TIF (tax increment financing) to fund those considerations.

TIF is the process by which government entities like Worth County set an area and borrow against future taxes generated there. In the past the County has used TIF to pay for road developments, support commercial and industrial developments and other uses.

More recently, TIF has been discussed for several purposes.

At the meeting on February 7, and at recent meetings, TIF has been suggested as a potential sources of funds to fix roads and bridges as State, federal and local funds fall short of the needs of the County.

County engineer Rich Brumm has said that the County is facing shortfalls of as much as $2 million for road projects and an additional $2 million for bridge projects planned in the next several years.

Another potential TIF use is the construction of a new courthouse, an increasingly pressing need highlighted by the recent closing of several offices due to boiler and related issues.

The County is also working with a company that produces fuel using animal byproducts. The supervisors have discussed using TIF to provide funds or as backing for the company's plans to extend a natural gas pipeline to the Manly Terminal area.

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Commission takes up countywide zoning process

The next steps in the process of expanding zoning across Worth County have been discussed by the county's planning and zoning commission at meetings held in recent weeks.

The question came to the commission as County officials progress in their consideration of an ordinance regulating wind development in the county.

After the county supervisors passed a moratorium on wind projects in April 2021, the zoning commission undertook the process of developing wind regulations.

Early in the process of developing a wind development ordinance, one of the considerations of the zoning commission was whether it should be included in county zoning or if it should be a stand-alone ordinance.

While the commission ultimately chose to recommend a stand alone countywide ordinance, more recently, the County has been advised that the regulations should fall under zoning after all.

At a recent supervisors

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For the birds

Students in Northwood-Kensett's Ecology class recently put the cooking equipment in N-K's Family and Consumer Sciences classroom to use for a new kind of consumer.

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The Izaak Walton League's home north of Kensett includes a space for social gatherings, along with numerous options for shooting sports activities.

Worth 'Ikes' continue local, statewide efforts to provide for conservation, recreation

Worth County's Izaak Walton League has seen some big changes in recent years, working to provide more resources at their home north of Kensett while also pushing for more conservation and recreational opportunities statewide.

Over the course of recent years, the local chapter of the Izaak Walton League has made efforts to provide more opportunities for people of all ages to take part in shooting sports.

That includes extensive trap shooting facilities as well as their rifle and pistol range.

That has been a benefit for local youth, with events held recreationally and to support local 4-H and Northwood-Kensett trap teams and meets. They have also played host to Youth Pheasants Forever events.

The club, in warmer weather and COVID-permitting, has also held weekly trap shoots that are open to the public in recent years.

The range has played host to several events, is used by local shooters and is also used for law enforcement training by Worth County departments.

The members have also undertaken a variety of other improvements on their grounds, with more planned for the future.

One highlight, chapter president Dan Ramaeker noted, is the addition of the sculpture near their front gate. It was a donation of Bruce Krafka, the Ike that enrolled and encouraged Ramaeker to join.

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

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. Feb. 8	38	10	
Wed. Feb. 9	35	21	
Thurs. Feb. 10	38	10	
Fri. Feb. 11	39	0	0.05
Sat. Feb. 12	9	-7	
Sun. Feb. 13	8	-3	0.01
Mon. Feb. 14	21	8	

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Instead of cooking for their classmates, or visitors to the classroom, the students worked on creating a meal for the campus' flying feathered friends as a part of their ornithology unit. The students worked on several batches of suet. The bird-balanced meal is made out of some form of fat, rendered into a solid and mixed with bird seed. It is an ideal foodstuff for the types of birds that don't fly south for the winter and may have a challenge eating in the area's snow covered landscape.



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schedules and plans for the March 12-19 planned 4-H Washington, D.C., trip.

4-H members will be giving presentations about places the group has arranged to visit as well as learn about what to pack and what the itinerary for the week long trip will be.

More information is available by calling Worth County Extension Education Specialist Dennis Johnson at 641-324-1531.

Worth County 4-H round up applications due April 15

Worth County 4-H Animal Science Round Up applications are due to the State 4-H Office by Friday, April 15.

All 8th to 12th grade Worth County 4-H members are to submit their applications to become eligible to participate in the annual 4-H Animal Science Roundup at Iowa State University in Ames during the State 4-H Conference.

More information is available by contacting Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist, at the the Worth County Extension Office at 641-324-1531 in Northwood.

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meeting, the supervisors were told that the ordinance, as written, would likely be viewed as discriminatory against the wind industry, unless it was added as a regulation more commonly written in zoning ordinances. To make the wind regulation apply countywide, zoning would need to expand.

It is not the first time the zoning expansion has been discussed by the supervisors, but added a further justification for the approach.

With that in mind, the supervisors were advised that they should suggest the planning and zoning commission take up the process, which it did at meetings in the last two weeks.

At the first meeting, zoning commission chair Jeff Gorball updated the commission on the status of the ordinance and the need to expand zoning.

He first explained what the process of zoning expansion would entail.

If the commission chose to go forward, the first step would be to assign zoning designations to currently unzoned property.

How that part of the process would proceed was the focus of discussion at the commission's February 9 meeting.

There were two approaches mentioned at the meeting.

While all property uses will be "grandfathered" in if zoning expands, with no zoning regulations applied to current uses the designations could impact the process if a property's use changes or is expanded in the case of commercial or industrial property.

To start with, zoning commission chair Jeff Gorball suggested that the majority of properties would be assigned an agriculture designation. The exceptions would be properties that obviously have commercial or industrial uses, based on a review of online maps. Other adjustments would continue after the initial zoning process.

Zoning administrator Matt Duve asked if that wasn't a more complicated process than necessary and one that would create more resistance to the idea of expanded zoning. He suggested that all newly zoned areas be included in the agricultural designation to begin with and that parcels be updated later as property owners apply for permits to change their commercial or industrial operations, or through other zoning review processes.

Other members of the commission that took part in the meeting shared concerns that placing specific zoning designations on properties would raise more questions and resistance when they wanted to focus on a goal of expanding zoning countywide.

Gorball said that as an official government body, it was their duty to apply the correct zoning designation to a property if it is clear that it is not agricultural in nature. He said that beginning with a blanket agricultural designation also allows commercial and industrial entities to do things that they normally wouldn't be allowed to do without the permitting process.

Citing a desire to focus on countywide zoning first, zoning member David Quisley made a motion to recommend to the county supervisors that zoning expand and that all unzoned property be given an agricultural designation.

The plan would be to alter those designations, where appropriate, with the review and permitting processes in the future.

The motion passed with three members in favor, including Quisley, Todd Rothove and Justin Faber. Gorball voted against the motion. Dana Thomas was not present at the meeting.

After the meeting, Gorball was to approach NIACOG (North Iowa Area Council of Governments) to prepare maps and other necessary documents. He has since shared that NIACOG advised against applying an agricultural to all new zoned property, and that they should designate other uses where they are apparent. The commission planned to meet this week to discuss that response.

The next step for the zoning commission is a public hearing where they will receive input and answer questions about the intent and planned approach of expanded zoning. That has been set for Tuesday, February 22, at 7:30 p.m., at the Kensett Community Center.

Letters will be sent to affected landowners with further details. A second hearing will be set to discuss information.

Once that is complete, the commission will consider a recommendation to the board of supervisors. If they choose, the supervisors will then begin their own process to complete the zoning process countywide.

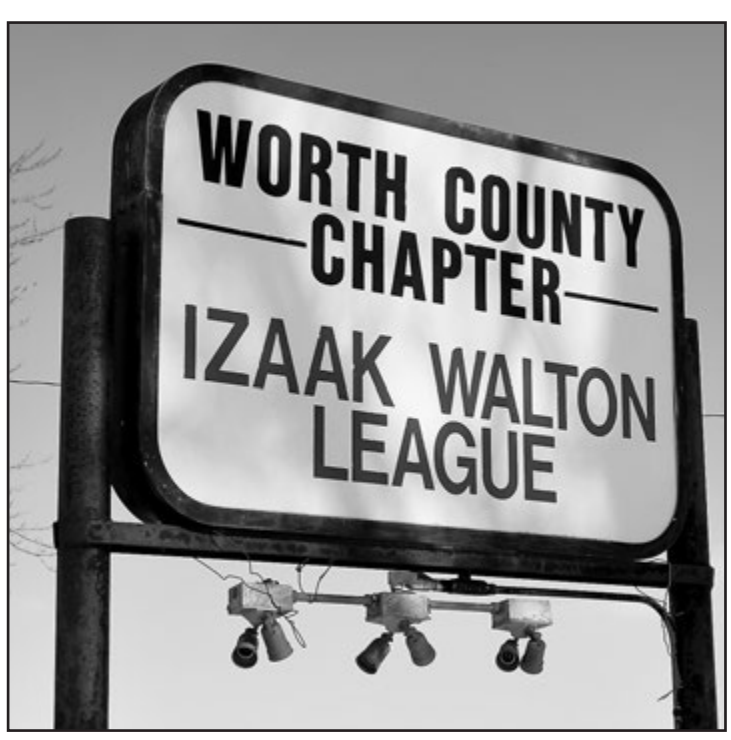
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That has also included upgrades to the kitchen in their meeting area near Kensett.

While their popular fish fries haven't been held for some time, Ramaeker said that the kitchen is in excellent shape and the building is available to rent.

Their efforts have extended to the nearby roadways. They have been recognized with a volunteer award for their ditch cleaning efforts.

Besides a focus on their own facilities, the local "Ikes" are turning towards efforts to have the Iowa legislature find funding to support a measure approved by Iowa voters in 2010.





That year, a statewide vote amended Iowa's constitution with the formation of the Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation trust fund, which would provide for many of the types of projects that are a passion of Izaak Walton chapters and members.

According to the amendment passed by voters, a portion of sales tax revenue would provide money to the trust fund. However, that sales tax has not yet been implemented.

Ramaeker said that Iowans spoke out with their votes, but that the State has not yet provided a way to fund the efforts.

The local Izaak Walton chapter has begun to seek support from other chapters throughout the state to contact Iowa legislators and ask them to finance the natural resources and outdoor recreation efforts Iowans supported in the vote.

Local Izaak Walter member Dean Mueller is leading the effort locally, reaching out to every Iowa chapter.

Besides this year's legislative focus, the Ikes continue to look at opportunities to provide events and activities for those that support conservation and enjoy time spent outdoors, including shooting sports and more.

Those interested in joining the local Izaak Walton chapter may contact any of its members. More information is shared on Worth County Izaak Walton League's page on Facebook.

Worth County Farm Pesticide Recertification scheduled for February 22 in Manly

The Worth County Extension Service will host a Private Farm Pesticide Recertification meeting on Tuesday, February 22, at 7 p.m. at the NIACC Muse Norris Conference Center, Mason City.

This program is for all farmers who are attending an annual update meeting each year to renew their Private Pesticide license.

More information about getting registered for the meeting is available by calling Lacey Waller, Worth County Extension office manager, at 641-324-1531 or emailing ljwaller@iastate.edu or Dennis Johnson at Worth County Extension at 641-324-1531 or emailing Dennis at djohn@iastate.edu.

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Before any of those potential TIF uses can take place, the supervisors must take the step of updating the County's Urban Renewal Plan (URP), the document that is the basis of TIF activity.

John Danos, of the Dorsey & Whitney law form, discussed the next steps for the URP with the supervisors at their February 7 meeting.

The County must specifically designate areas for two specific purposes in the URP.

That includes the areas on which the County plans to collect TIF revenue. In the past, one of the primary sources has been wind turbine developments. In the URP process, they would set the specific locations that turbines were to be built on and then any future taxes generated by turbines could be used for TIF.

The most recently completed wind turbine projects in the northeast corner of the County have been discussed as a potential source of future TIF revenue. The County also has access to some TIF based on previous turbine developments already in the URP.

The other properties that need to be added to the URP is areas on which TIF funds will be spent, along with details of any projects at those locations. That would include the courthouse property, specific road or bridge dimensions and the path of a pipeline, based on recent TIF considerations.

The process involves a series of potential hearings, allowing the public a chance to weigh in on the additions to the URP.

While three hearings would be required, the supervisors could choose to waive the second and third readings.

Adding to their considerations is potential legislation that would change one part of TIF collection. As it currently stands, the County uses all tax revenue in areas designated for TIF. That includes taxes that school districts would collect. The state then provides the school districts with the funds to offset those kept by the County.

The proposed legislation would eliminate the backfill process so that the taxes would go directly to the school districts, and the County would no longer be able to use that portion of funds as TIF revenue.

If that legislation passes, the County would look at a reduction in what they could pursue using TIF.

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COVID numbers continue drop from recent surge as data changes on the way

Following a spike with all time high numbers that began in mid-January, the number of new cases in Worth County continued to decline based on the most recent weekly release of Iowa data. At the same time, another death was added to the local total atrributed to the virus. Meanwhile, the State's dedicated COVID data and vaccine websites will be discontinued this week.

Last week Iowa governor Kim Reynolds announced that the coronavirus.iowa.gov and vaccinateiowa.gov would be decommissioned on February 16. The former of those websites has been a primary source of Iowa COVID data for those that report on rates and numbers, as well as those using local data for information and planning purposes.

Some of the information will still be reported on the Iowa Department of Public Health website.

The last weekly data to be released on the coronavirus.iowa.gov showed that there were 30 new cases of COVID-19 in Worth County reported to the State in the week between February 2 and February 9. That brings the new total to 1,876.

In the past two weeks there have been 91 new cases of COVID-19 reported.

The past week's positivity rate, which is the percentage of those testing positive out of those taking a test, was 8.9%, down from 12.2% the previous week.

Over the 14 day period of January 26 to February 9, the rate was 11.2%, down from the rate of 17.2% the previous week.

Those testing numbers and rates reflect those reported to the State of Iowa and do not necessarily reflect those that test at home.

Worth County remains in the high community transmission rate, according to the CDC. Masks are still recommended in public indoor settings.

For the eight county region that includes Worth County, there have been 493 deaths. That was up 11 since February 2.

That includes one additional death in Worth, which brings the new total of those lost to the virus locally to 12.

For the region that includes Worth and the seven bordering counties, there have been a total of 46,645 cases of COVID-19 reported by state agencies. That is up 493 in the past week, from the total as of February 2. That includes 3,183 in Winnebago, 3,050 in Hancock, 11,978 in Cerro Gordo, 3,844 in Floyd and 2,652 in Mitchell counties in Iowa, and 8,614 in Freeborn and 11,448 in Mower counties in Minnesota.

According to the CDC, 3,773 residents of Worth County have been fully vaccinated, for 51.1% of the total population. That is up 17 Worth County residents since February 2.

CDC numbers show that 4,035 Worth residents have received at least one dose of vaccine, for 54.7% of the population. That is up 13 since February 2.

In the county, 1,331 of those 65 and over were fully vaccinated, 86.1% of that population. Of that age group, 1,395, or 90.3% have had at least one dose.

Of those 18 and over, 3,547 have been fully vaccinated, for 60.6% of that population. Of those, 3,775 have received one dose, for 64.5%.

Of the 12 and over age group, 3,713, or 58.2% have been fully vaccinated. Of those 12 and older, 3,963 or 62.1% have received at least one dose.

Of those 5 years and older in Worth County, 54.2% have been fully vaccinated and 57.9% have received at least one dose.

Of those fully vaccinated in Worth County,2,067, or 54.8% have received a booster dose.

Other counties in the region have vaccination rates that include 51.6% in Winnebago, 48.8% in Hancock, 62.1% in Cerro Gordo, 52.2% in Floyd, 48.1% in Mitchell, 56.4% in Freeborn and 60.8% in Mower counties.

Across the region, 57.0% of the total population has been fully vaccinated.

Information and COVID-19 resources have moved to the Iowa Department of Public Health website, online at idph.iowa.gov.

Information will also be shared at the CDC website, at covid.coc.gov/covid-data-tracker.

Local information can be found at Worth County Public Health's Facebook page, or by calling 641-324-1741.

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Hallie Varner named to DMACC's Dean's list

Des Moines Area Community College President Rob Denson recently released the names of students eligible for the Fall Semester Dean's List. To be eligible, a student must have completed a minimum of six credits and earned a 3.5 to 3.99 grade point average for that semester

Those recognized include Hallie Varner, Pre-Dental Occupations, of Northwood.

Future County bridge funding may fall short of needs

After some discussion about the potential difficulties in financing road projects in the coming years, more information on funding shortfalls for bridges was discussed at recent Worth County supervisors meeting.

At the January 24 meeting, engineer Rich Brumm returned, lamenting the need to share more bad news about the financial resources available to address traffic issues.

Brumm said that he had received some information in advance of the official report on bridges in the County. He said that there were a few bridges that would need to be taken care of sooner rather than later.

One of those is on the national bridge registry, but does not have a high enough traffic volume to qualify for funding.

That issue highlighted a challenge that the County is facing, as Brumm outlined.

According to Brumm, the County is currently borrowed ahead 1.43 years in bridge funds that it receives from the State. Counties are only allowed to borrow up to 4.5 years ahead.

With the projects that have been let at this point, Brumm said that leaves the County with roughly half a million dollars in bridge funding, with $165,000 in new funds in the current fiscal year.

At an average of $350,000 in costs per bridge structure project, there is not enough funds available currently or in the near future to fully address the bridges mentioned previously, as Brumm said that they would need nearly $1.3 million to do the bridges that are in the County's 5-year program. And that is assuming no dramatic cost increases and other needs for local bridge work that don't qualify for State funding.

Brumm said that, unlike roads, which don't have to be fixed as immediately, bridge issues can't be left alone.

Brumm said that the County needs to find the funds. But, he noted, using other sources would conversely reduce bridge funds available in the future.

The State's formula for setting the amount counties receive is based on the square footage of bridges that rate poorly. So the more repairs made means the less is available to repair other bridges.

Brumm had no immediate solutions, but wanted to share the situation with the supervisors as budget discussions begin.

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The students listed below have made the Honor Roll for the First Semester of the 2021-2022 school year. To be eligible, students must have a B average (3.00) or better for their subjects.

A Honor Roll

9 Kamryn Backhaus
9 Breyden Hoeppner
9 Austin Orth
9 Ashlynn Rollene
9 Macy Thorson
9 Trent Tiedemann
10 Kenny Conlin
10 Chloe Costello
10 Madalynn Hanson
10 Emma Hengesteg
10 Lindsey Moore
10 Megan Ocel
10 Damaris Peterson
11 Jadyn Beland
11 Teagan Hackenmiller
11 Teagan Johnson
11 Dalton Logeman
11 Lamonte Sims
12 Marli Backhaus
12 Emma Davidson
12 Alexis Hakes
12 Carly Hengesteg
12 Josiah Kliment
12 Jon Meksi
12 Hayden Moore
12 Mason Thofson
12 Wyatt Willand

AB Honor Roll

9 Jessika Ausborn
9 Aden Bice
9 Kyle Buehrer
9 Hadley Buenzow
9 Colby Eskildsen
9 Topanga Hackenmiller
9 Kooper Julseth
9 Walt Kelly
9 Hailey Krambeer
9 Evan Lorenzen
9 Nyx Mayberry
9 Soraya Moran
9 Jose Obregon
9 MacKensy Tomlinson
9 Levi Wood
9 Chloe Wright
10 Marisa Halbach
10 Emily Hannemann
10 Haddie Hanson
10 Alexandria Hanson-Brandsoy
10 Ella Leonard
10 Christopher Madsen
10 Damon Reyerson
10 Mallory Rheingans
10 Morgan Wallin
10 Peyton Wilder
10 Lacy Yates
11 Grady Buenzow
11 Kennedy Christianson
11 Ellie Ehrhardt
11 De'Angelo Ferguson
11 Nicholas Hanson
11 Michael Janssen
11 Jasmine Renteria**
11 Nolan Senne
11 Peyton Shoger
12 Addyson Bachtle**
12 Emma Berg
12 Thomas Block
12 Aaron Davis
12 Jace Gentz
12 Jason Hanson
12 Emma Logeman
12 Logan Mayberry
12 Tyler Mills
12 Drake Tiedemann
12 Hayley Wallin
12 Andrew Wilder

B Honor Roll

9 Carter Anderson
9 Grace Barenthin
9 Chaz Cummins
9 Jackson Echelberger
9 Jackson Faber
9 Ariana Heiken
9 Loghan Nelson
9 Brody Paulson
9 Addison Tasker
9 Camden Trenhaile
9 Ava Woltzen
10 Shawn Echelberger
10 Jackson Foss
10 Laney Miles
10 Malachi Peckham
10 Kylie Robinson
10 Reese Wahl**
11 Josiah Bass
11 Madison Berry
11 Isaiah Heeren
11 Pete Kelly
11 Anthoni Martin
11 Haydan Pestorious
11 Taylor Rodemeyer
11 Thomas Rodemeyer
11 Treycen Rollene
11 Tristen Schnulle
11 Dante Sims
11 Will Tindall
11 James Urban
12 Briar Anderson
12 Dylon Freerksen
12 Silas Girouard
12 Rachel Hill
12 Isabella Hoch
12 Billy Kraft
12 Eli Mix
12 Michelle Palmer
12 Brayden Reyerson
12 Hailee Schmitt
12 Cody Tomlinson

N-K Junior High

A Honor Roll

7 Kale Bode
7 Jackson Grunhovd
7 Ashlyn Skellenger
8 Merrin Hanson
8 Zachary Heiken
8 Dagen Peterson
8 Sophie Rye
8 Weston Willand

AB Honor Roll

7 Bronson Ducommun
7 Ethan Franck
7 Gavin Halbach
7 Marley Mosher
7 Kinley Stambaugh
7 Skyler Williamson**
8 Bowan Behne
8 Sophia Butler
8 Brady Christianson
8 Annalisa Coyle
8 Alec Ducommun
8 Isaac Ludington
8 Logan Manning
8 Lexy Mosher
8 Lauren Petznick
8 Camryn Rheingans
8 Addyson Runde
8 Emersyn Wahl**

B Honor Roll

7 Kamille Colby
7 Landen Nelson
7 Renae Ouverson
7 Gage Ziemann
8 Kenedie Berry
8 Alex Bewley
8 Taylor Foss
8 Caden Helgeson
8 Collin Houg
8 Hayzin Jacobson
8 Jocelyn Kuhlmann
8 Kaeden Malli
8 Aiden Moretz
8 Kolton Robinson
8 Linca Scarlett III
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8 Alexander Tiedemann
8 Cody Wunderlich

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Valentines for veterans

The young members of the Worth County Clover Kids group recently spent some time preparing for Valentine's Day with an activity to show grattitude for those that have served their country. The kindergarten and first grade youth took part in an after school program on February 7. Mike Reindl (pictured at right with the Clover Kids) was there to speak about his military experience and what it means to be a veteran. After hearing from Reindl, they made valentines, which were given to veterans in the community.













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The family of Doug Braun*

CARD OF THANKS: I would like to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls and visits for my 80th birthday. I really enjoyed them.
Richard/Dick Gentz*

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Marge Tenold

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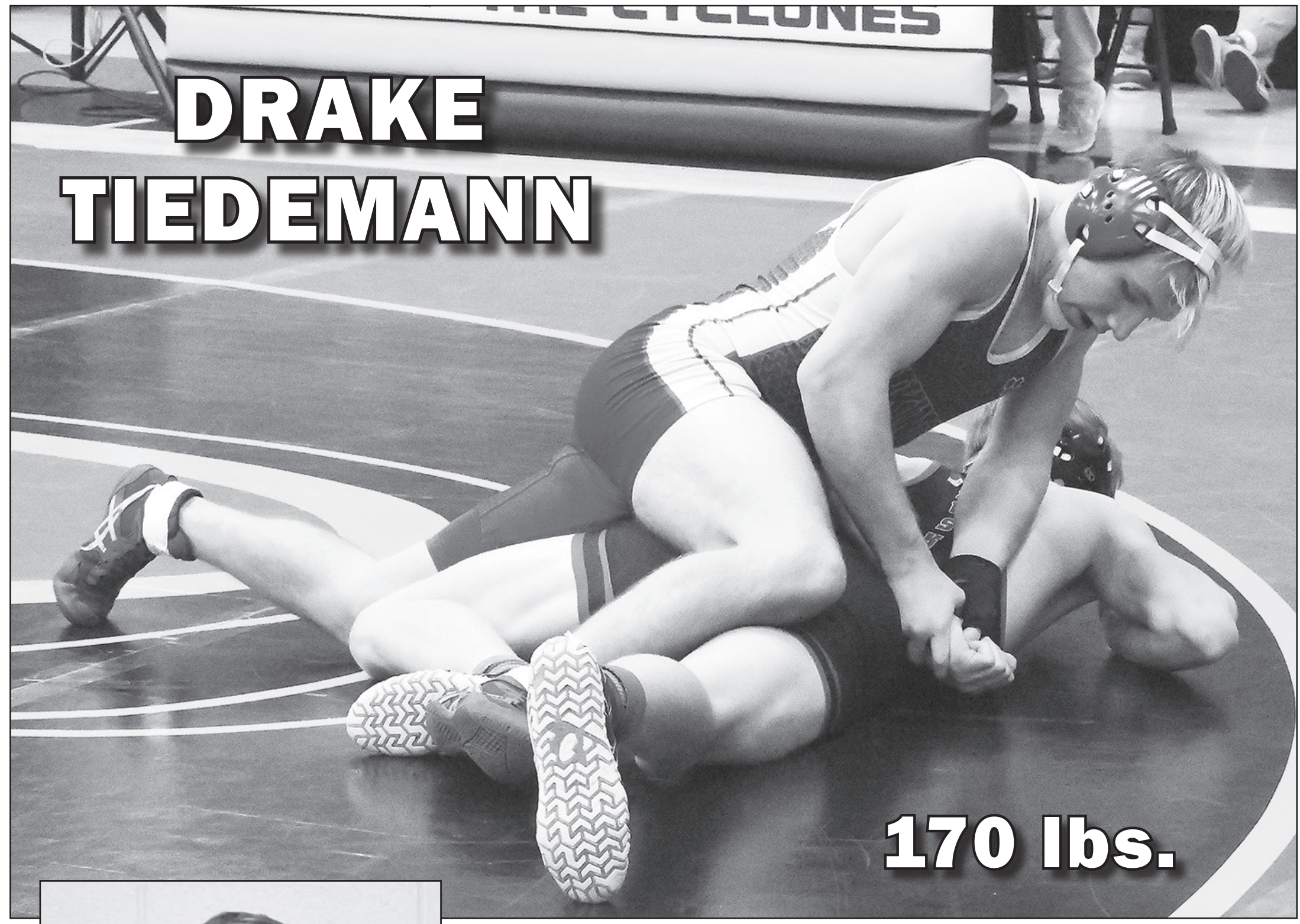
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Turning to education, wagering and local government



Jane Bloomingdale
Iowa House
District 51

Week Five

We had a short but busy week in the Iowa House. The House did not convene on Monday, this allowed most of us to attend caucuses in our hometown on Monday night. Next week is our first funnel week. First funnel is a timeline for bills to be voted out of committee; a weeding process to determine which bills have support and which do not. To be eligible for floor debate, a bill must pass out of committee by the end of the week. With a busy week of subcommittees and committee meetings, we also enjoyed receptions with the Iowa Bankers Association, the Iowa Realtors, and ABC (Builders and Contractors). ABATE group, County Supervisors, and the Iowa Chiropractors (thank you Lucas for driving down) were also at the Capitol and I had the opportunity to visit with some of their members and hear their concerns and priorities for this session.

K-12 Education

Each year one of the first bills the Legislature debates is Supplemental State Aid (SSA) for K-12 schools. SSA is the percentage growth in state aid to schools. The Iowa House passed a bill to increase Supplemental State Aid for K-12 schools by 2.5%. This equates to $159 million in new money for K-12 public schools. The State Cost Per Pupil amount increases from $7,234 to $7,412, an $186 increase per student. Our plan also includes an additional $5 SCPP increase, as well as a transportation equity piece to help rural schools with their transportation costs. In addition, the House voted to appropriate an additional $19.2 million in supplemental money schools may use for para-educators, substitute teachers, bus drivers, support staff and other expense that have increased with inflation. Republicans have increased K-12 by almost a billion dollars over the last 10 years.

Sports Wagering Receipts

As the revenue has started accumulating in the Sports Wagering Receipts Fund, discussions about how and where to spend the money have begun. The State Government committee passed a bill that would appropriate current and future sports wagering funds to the County Endowment Fund, which is a collection of 84 counties that do not have a licensed casino in the county. The goal of the bill is to help more evenly spread the revenue from gambling and sports wagering across all counties in Iowa. Iowans from all 99 counties gamble in casinos and on sports wagering. Currently the County Endowment Fund Program receives 0.8% of the commercial gaming tax revenue. In 2021, the County Endowment Fund Program distributed $12.5 million across the 84 counties. If enacted, this bill would boost the amount of money injected back into these communities. The County Endowment Fund Program has distributed grants in several focus areas including public/societal benefit, human services, education, arts and culture, health, and environment improvements and protections.

Local Government

The Local Government Committee gaveled to session this Wednesday to send a series of common sense reform bills to the House floor. These bills will clear up several issues for counties and local authorities including issues with tax sale dates, required meeting dates, and continuing virtual meeting when needed.

As always, feel free to contact me with your concerns or questions on issues.

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The Constituent Connection



Waylon Brown
State Senator
District 26

88th General Assembly:

It's been another busy week at the State Capitol. I have been involved in lots of daily subcommittee meetings as well as my regular committee meetings, and we have had another great week of visitors at the Capitol.

I was pleased to visit with 4H members from Worth and Mitchell counties as they toured the Statehouse. It is always fun for me to welcome friendly faces from my days as a 4H'er in Worth County.

This week I'd like to tell you about the new Fuel Access bill. This bill creates an environment promoting renewable biofuels and consumer choice at the pump. It also has components helping retailers with improvement costs at their stations. In the end, this bill will increase the value of Iowa crops (corn and soybeans), maintain high paying jobs at corn and soybean processing plants, keep multiple fuel choices at the gas stations, and offer high quality, lower cost liquids fuels for consumers to choose. This is bipartisan legislation and great policy for Iowa.

According to this legislation current fuel retailers will need to offer E15 by 1/1/2026 and all newly constructed fuel retail sites opening after January 2023 must offer E15. The legislation does not apply to diesel-only truck stops or airports.

I've been appointed to work on the governor's Workforce Bill in the Senate State Government Committee. We are currently working through proposed legislation which addresses these issues in growing our Iowa workforce professionals:

• The Rural Iowa Primary Care Loan Forgiveness Program is amended to eliminate the requirement residency programs are to be completed within Iowa. It expands eligible recipients to include neurologists and physicians who did not sign an agreement during their final year. It also adds part-time qualifications to rural practice requirement instead of only full-time practice in rural Iowa for 5 consecutive years. "Part-time" is defined as at least 70% of a forty-hour work week. A program can exceed it's allocated 20 program agreements when there is a surplus of funds available. Existing loan agreements entered into prior to July 1, 2022, may amend them to reflect the changes made in this Act.

• Under the Health Professional Recruitment Program, it amends the definition of "eligible institution" to include a community college and the definition of "health care professional" to include advance registered nurse practitioner and registered nurse. This will allow a RN or ARNP to be eligible for loan repayment who graduated from an Iowa institution. It changes the Health Care Loan Repayment Program into the Health Care Award Program that provides financial awards instead of loan repayment to RNs, ARNPs, PAs, and nurse educators. It expands the qualification of a nurse educator to include full-time and part-time teaching, as long as the part-time nurse educator is also a practicing RN or ARNP. The financial award is $6,000 for up to five consecutive years, for a total of $30,000.

• Permits a licensing board to expedite the occupational license of a spouse of an active duty member of the military licensed in another state, similar to existing procedure of a veteran. A provisional license shall be issued to a spouse if the board determines the license in another state does not have a substantially similar scope of practice. During this provisional period, the spouse shall be informed of the necessary requirements to obtain full state licensure. It removes military spouses, state residency, and 1-year licensure requirement from the universal licensing provisions, except for electrical, plumbing, and mechanical license. It expands the license application fee waiver to include a veteran with at least 25% service-connected disability.

• IDPH shall waive the EMT certificate examination fee for an individual who is on federal active duty, or was honorably or general discharged from federal duty, or national guard duty.

• An Iowan who served in the military on federal active duty, regardless of disability or being a P.O.W., is eligible to apply for a lifetime hunting and fishing license.

• The Iowa DOT shall not charge a fee for a non-commercial driver's license or a motorcycle license to a veteran with a permanent service -connected disability rating of 100%. A fee shall also not be charged for a chauffeur license or CDL to both military and national guard members and veterans of both state and federal service. It restricts enforcement of parking meters or parking fees by cities on a vehicle with Medal of Honor, Ex-P.O.W., Purple Heart, or Disabled Veteran registration plates.

• The Electrical Examining Board, Plumbing and Mechanical Systems Board, and State Building Code Advisory Council authority will create the Iowa Building Code that includes uniform standard building codes across Iowa.

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Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

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Wednesday, Confirmation at Grace; Thursday, MANNA Open, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Worship - Elk Creek, 9 a.m., Sunday School - EC, 9:45 a.m., Bethany Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Monday, Bethany Council Meeting, 7 p.m., MANNA Open, 10 a.m. - Noon

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan

Thursday, Trinity UMW Meeting at Sue Cowell's, Devotions: Linda Nydegger "Call to Prayer and Self-Denial," 5 p.m.; Sunday, Worship Service, 9:10 a.m., Coffee Fellowship, 10 a.m.

Pastor Cory Allard

Northwood United Methodist Church

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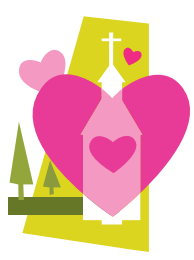
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For the Love of God



The expression "for the love of God" is often uttered as a mild curse, an expression of exasperation when we might feel like screaming something worse. It's certainly better to say "for the love of God" than to utter something worse, but it still probably falls into the category of using God's name in vain when we don't mean it literally. And that is a shame because it's really a very beautiful expression, if we think about it and what it literally means. We should do everything for the love of God. If that is our motive then there is nothing to fear. If you are afflicted by doubts about your salvation, it might help to ask yourself simply whether you are acting for the love of God. If you are truly acting for the love of God it won't matter so much whether you are saved or damned, though you surely won't be damned if that is truly your motive. We should do all for the love of God. Joy will surely follow. – Christopher Simon

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment."
– Matthew 22: 37-38

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Cook Bookin'

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



by Sandy Olson

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

"From Soup to Nuts" is an old cookbook compiled by The Women's Guild of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church of Raritan, New Jersey. It's dated 1965 and was self-published with manually typed recipes copied on a mimeograph machine. At least they didn't use purple ink! The book tells readers it contains "A Collection of Choice Recipes" so I'm certain they are the tried and true dishes of the day. I've adapted them to fit our modern lifestyle and products; enjoy!

Spicy Clam Dip

(Clam dip was all the rage in the sixties; ask me how I know!)

1 package (3 oz.) "philly" cream cheese, softened
1 cup real sour cream
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice
2 tablespoons finely chopped green onion
2 cups canned minced clams, well drained. Save the juice
1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Blend the cream cheese and sour cream until well combined. Add remaining ingredients except the parsley, mixing completely. It it's too thick for easy dipping, then with a bit of the reserved clam juice. Chill in a covered bowl for at least an hour. When ready to serve, mound in a pretty bowl and garnish with the chopped parsley. Serve with unsalted ripple potato chips (this is traditional).

Sour Cream Cake

1/2 pound real butter, softened
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup white sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
3 large eggs

GLAZE:

1 cup real sour cream
Juice of 1 large orange
1 cup raisins
2 tablespoons sugar
Grated zest of 1 orange
1 tablespoon rum (optional)

Cream the butter and sugar until fluffy. Add the eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition. Add the baking soda to the sour cream and blend this into the creamed mixture. Add the flour slowly, continuing to beat, then add the orange rind and raisins. Pour into a sprayed springform tube pan. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees and bake for 45 minutes. In the meantime, combine the glaze ingredients. Pour the glaze over the hot cake and allow it to cool in the pan.

Jugtown Mountain's Own Famous Party Meat Loaf

2 pounds lean ground beef
3 fully-cooked, smoked link sausages
2 large eggs, beaten
3/4 cup jarred herb spaghetti sauce
1/4 teaspoon EACH: garlic powder, onion powder, black pepper, kosher salt and paprika.

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees F. Mix the ground beef with the beaten eggs and the seasonings. Divide into three parts and roll one part around each of the three sausages. Seal well around the sausage and wrap each one in foil. Place in a shallow baking pan and bake for 1 hour. Heat the spaghetti sauce, unwrap the meat rolls and pour the sauce over each one. Serves 6.

Merrymont Franks

(In the Midwest we call them hot dogs; on the East Coast they're franks)

6 jumbo, good quality franks, split
1 teaspoon sweet paprika
1/4 cup chopped yellow onions
3 tablespoons cider vinegar
2 teaspoons sugar
6 tablespoons catsup
3/4 teaspoon dry mustard
6 tablespoons Worcestershire
1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
1/2 cup water
1/8 teaspoon black pepper
1 tablespoon vegetable oil

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. In a large heavy skillet, sauté the onions in the oil until golden brown. Add all the other ingredients except the franks, stir well, bring to a simmer and cook 15 minutes to blend the flavors. Place the franks, split side up in a baking pan large enough for them to be in a single layer. Pour the hot sauce over the franks and bake for 15 minutes. Eat with a knife and fork rather than in a bun.

Every time I read one of these old cookbooks, especially one from a church or community group, I can't help but feel connected to the culinary past. These are recipes from women who were at home in the kitchen as I am. Wish these books could talk! And…that's all she wrote.

Treasurer Fitzgerald awards College Savings Iowa contribution to Johnson Krotzer family of Worth County

State Treasurer Michael L. Fitzgerald rang in the New Year by awarding 99 Iowa families a $529 College Savings Iowa contribution as part of the Year End giveaway.

Nine-month-old Quinn was randomly drawn as the Worth County winner. "Helping families like the Johnson Krotzers save for future education expenses is what College Savings Iowa is all about," said Fitzgerald. "These giveaways are one way I can help spread the message about the power of building an education fund to support a child's dreams."

A family in every Iowa county received a contribution to their College Savings Iowa account during the Plan's Year End giveaway, which was celebrated in November and December.

"The giveaway gave us an opportunity to reach all corners of the state," commented Fitzgerald. "We were able to highlight the importance of saving for education and the benefits of using a 529 plan as the vehicle to do it."

College Savings Iowa is a 529 plan helping family and friends save for future education expenses at any eligible education institution including two- and four-year universities, community colleges, trade schools and vocational programs. The plan has several tax benefits, including a $3,522 state tax deduction per beneficiary account for Iowa taxpayers in 2022.

With over $6.3 billion in assets across more than 280,000 accounts, the plan continues to help Iowans save for future education expenses.

To learn more about College Savings Iowa, visit CollegeSavingsIowa.com. Connect with the plan on Facebook and Twitter for participant tips, plan updates and facts about the program.

Northwood Anchor **Society**



Students in Colette Ubben's third grade classroom are pictured with the incubator housing their future chick visitors.

N-K classes welcome eggs-cellent visitors

Last week, a group of new young creatures were added to the third grade classrooms at Northwood-Kensett, as a part of an embryology project with Worth County Extension.

The creatures arrived in the form of six chicken eggs, placed securely in an incubator upon their arrival.

Over the course of their stay, the chickens-to-be will be attended to by the third grade students, who will take turns checking the eggs' temperatures, making sure there is water in the incubator and other tasks.

While in the classroom, students will take part in a number of activities, shared in an embryology journal.

Journal entries ask the students to imagine what the eggs and chicks would look like, predict and record the results of various parts of the process, study vocabulary, use their artistic skills and imagine lives on the farm for the chickens and farmers, amongst other activities.

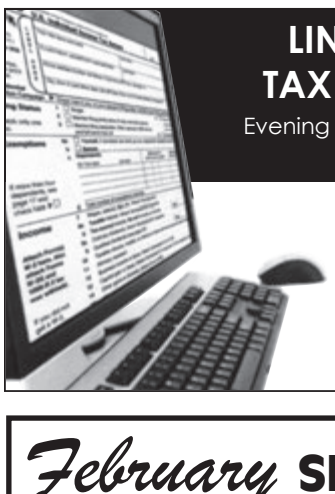
The coming activities will include candling the eggs, the process of using a light to show the contents of an egg before it hatches.

On February 28, the eggs are expected to hatch, and the students will no doubt welcome the arrival of their new classroom inhabitants until it is time for the chicks to move on to a new home.



Making 'e day' of it

Students in Northwood-Kensett's Math Club recently celebrated another uniquely numerical event on February 7, which was "e-day." Also known as Euler's number, it can be applied in calculating such things as compound interest and probability. The number's first two digits are 2.7, so the club members celebrated on 2/7 or February 7. They made and sold cookies and brownies with e frosting at a basketball game. Pictured with their tast "e" treats are (from left) Kale Bode, Weston Willand, Kinley Stambaugh and Ariah Bode.



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Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Savvy Senior

Do I have to file income tax returns this year?

Dear Savvy Senior,

What is the IRS standard tax deduction for 2021? I didn't file a tax return last tax year (2020) because I lost my job and my income in March due to COVID. But I got a part-time job in 2021 and am wondering if I made enough money that requires me to file this year.

Part-Time Retiree

Dear Retiree,

Whether or not you are required to file a federal income tax return this year depends not only on how much you earned last year (in 2021), but also the source of that income, as well as your age and your filing status.

Here's a rundown of this tax season's IRS tax filing requirement thresholds. For most people, this is pretty straightforward. If your 2021 gross income – which includes all taxable income, not counting your Social Security benefits, unless you are married and filing separately – was below the threshold for your filing status and age, you may not have to file. But if it's over, you will.

- Single: $12,550 ($14,250 if you're 65 or older by Jan. 1, 2022).
- Married filing jointly: $25,100 ($26,450 if you or your spouse is 65 or older; or $27,800 if you're both over 65).
- Married filing separately: $5 at any age.
- Head of household: $18,800 ($20,500 if 65 or older).
- Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child: $25,100 ($26,450 if 65 or older).

To get a detailed breakdown on federal filing requirements, along with information on taxable and nontaxable income, call the IRS at 800-829-3676 and ask them to mail you a free copy of the "1040 and 1040-SR Instructions for Tax Year 2021," or you can get it online at IRS.gov.

Check Here Too

You also need to be aware that there are other financial situations that can require you to file a tax return, even if your gross income falls below the IRS filing requirements. For example, if you earned more than $400 from self-employment in 2021, owe any special taxes like an alternative minimum tax, or get premium tax credits because you, your spouse or a dependent is enrolled in a Health Insurance Marketplace plan, you'll need to file.

You'll also need to file if you're receiving Social Security benefits, and one-half of your benefits plus your other gross income and any tax-exempt interest exceeds $25,000, or $32,000 if you're married and filing jointly.

To figure all this out, the IRS offers an online tax tool that asks a series of questions that will help you determine if you're required to file, or if you should file because you're due a refund. It takes approximately 12 minutes to complete.

You can access this tool at IRS.gov/Help/ITA – click on "Do I Need to File a Tax Return?" Or you can get assistance over the phone by calling the IRS helpline at 800-829-1040.

Check Your State

Even if you're not required to file a federal tax return this year, don't assume that you're also excused from filing state income taxes. The rules for your state might be very different. Check with your state tax agency before concluding that you're entirely in the clear. For links to state tax agencies see Taxadmin.org/state-tax-agencies.

Tax Prep Assistance

If you find that you do need to file a tax return this year, you can free file through the IRS at IRS.gov/FreeFile if your 2021 adjusted gross income was below $73,000.

Or, if you need some help, contact the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (or TCE) program. Sponsored by the IRS, TCE provides free tax preparation and counseling to middle and low-income taxpayers, age 60 and older. Call 800-906-9887 or visit IRS.treasury.gov/freetaxprep to locate services near you.

You can also get tax preparation assistance through the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide service. Call 888-227-7669 or visit AARP.org/findtaxhelp for more information.

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.

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Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

It was way below zero. My brother-in-law just stared through the window.

Wishing for warmer weather?

Yup. If it had gotten any colder, I'd have had to let him into the house.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Deep thoughts occur to me as I pass his drive. Winter doesn't obey the rules. I drove to Marshall in demonic cold, windy, snowy and icy conditions. Visibility was limited to the dashboard, but there was nowhere to hide. I escaped all the furies of winter but the cold by the time I stopped to eat in Marshall with my wife and friends. The nastiness had subsided, but it left a parking lot littered with chunks of ice or hard slush, usually dark brown, that had fallen or been kicked from a car. They were clumps of snow that built up in wheel wells. People will ruin a perfectly good shoe to get the pleasure of freeing their car of an automobile's winter dust bunnies. The chunks are called fenderbergs, slush puppies, carsickles, car boogers, kickies, grice, snard, slurd, snowlactites, hitchhikers and chunkers. I was happy I didn't need to dodge any snow mattresses on my journey. Snow mattresses usually occur on top of SUVs and larger cars, when the snow stacks on top of the vehicle and then blows off onto the road. I left Marshall and drove to Sioux Falls. The roads had been cleared, leaving a windrow (a ridge of snow scraped to the side of the road) for my company. The closer to Sioux Falls I got, the more snirt (dirty snow in ditches and fields that happens when snow sticks around in one place long enough to get dirty) I saw. Sioux Falls offered a change in the weather—47° and little snow to be found on the ground. The warm day contradicted the winter. With apologies to James Russell Lowell, "And what is so rare as a day in June? A June day in February."

I've learned

Being run over by a stampeding elephant herd while watching a televised football game in your living room is considered bad luck.

Halitosis is better than no breath at all.

I don't like all kinds of music, but I like people who like all kinds of music.

The headlines

New energy drink tastes like gas and oil.

Man puts porta-potties in his yard to keep geese from pooping on his lawn.

Township board gives snow shovels to every resident, but has grader plans.

Cat used French impressionist's painting as a scratching post. The artwork's owner was left with a clawed Monet.

Man gets the best shoplifter award. He didn't win it.

Bad joke department

My wife is constantly complaining about my lack of any sense of direction. I grew weary of it and packed up my stuff and right.

Never buy flowers from a monk. Remember, only you can prevent florist friars.

Do trees defecate? Sure, that's where we get No. 2 pencils.

The Tinman wanted to see the Wizard of Oz about his tinnitus.

Nature notes

Doves, pigeons and chickens can suffer frostbite. Frostbitten feet on other birds aren't an impossibility, but are unlikely. On a barely related note, the rock pigeon, the pigeon we see in farm and city, was trained for communication by the U.S. Army Pigeon Service or Signal Pigeon Corps. During WWII, this force consisted of 3,150 soldiers and 54,000 pigeons. Over 90% of Army messages sent by pigeons were received. A pigeon named G.I. Joe received the Dickin Medal for gallantry that saved at least 1,000 lives. From 1917 until 1957, the US Army Pigeon Breeding and Training Center was based at Fort Monmouth, N.J.

A reader asked if raccoons wash their food before eating? They aren't germaphobes. It's a myth. When they find something that might be food, they roll it around in their front paws to determine what it is. Raccoons wet their food to gather more sensory information. Moistening the food helps raccoons further understand what they are eating. Water plays a very important role in a raccoon's sense of touch by increasing the receptiveness of the nerve endings in their paws. As a result, their tactile senses are substantially increased. If a raccoon encounters a likely food item away from water, they might roll it around in their paws without involving any water. Their scientific name, Procyon lotor, means "washing bear." Raccoons typically weigh 14-40 pounds. If raccoons had opposable thumbs, they might be our overlords.

Meeting adjourned

If you can't find the sunshine, be the sunshine by being kind.

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Fit to print...

Shocking things you didn't know about presidents

This Monday is Presidents Day. With that in mind, here are some shocking things you didn't know about presidents, found on Insider.com:

George Washington had terrible, decaying teeth so he wore dentures made from (among other things) ivory, spring, and brass screws.

John Adams' last words were "Thomas Jefferson survives." What he apparently didn't know was that Jefferson had actually died a few hours prior.

Thomas Jefferson kept pet mockingbirds because he loved to listen to them sing. His favorite of the bunch was named Dick.

James Monroe was a law apprentice for another president: Thomas Jefferson.

John Quincy Adams was a big fan of skinny-dipping. Every morning, the president dived into the Potomac River for his daily exercise routine.

Andrew Jackson had a giant block of cheese — which weighed 1,400 pounds — that he kept in the White House. He let the public eat the block of cheddar after his time in office was done.

William Henry Harrison's inauguration speech was the longest to date. It went for an hour and 45 minutes and he was out in a snowstorm. He died a month later of pneumonia.

John Tyler had 15 children, which is the most known children by any president.

James K. Polk presided over the building of the Washington Monument, and oversaw the issuing of the first postage stamp.

Zachary Taylor was nominated for president by the Whig Party, and didn't even realize that it had happened until he received a letter with the news. He also refused to campaign after accepting.

Millard Fillmore succeeded Zachary Taylor, who died of cholera after only 16 months in office. Fillmore didn't have a vice president during his time in office.

James Buchanan was the only completely unmarried president to serve in office.

Abraham Lincoln is in the Wrestling Hall of Fame because of his skills in the ring. As a young man, he only lost one match out of the 300 he participated in.

Andrew Johnson never attended school, and had to teach himself how to read.

The "S" in Ulysses S. Grant's name is actually a result of a clerical error when he was nominated to attend West Point. Though he tried to shake it, it stuck.

Rutherford B. Hayes was the first to be sworn in privately in the White House on a Saturday. He later swore the oath in public.

Chester Arthur's critics tried to persuade the public that the presidential hopeful was not actually an American citizen. He was born in Vermont.

Grover Cleveland — who served two nonconsecutive terms — won his presidency by the most razor-sharp of margins. He nabbed the job thanks to 1,200 votes in New York.

Benjamin Harrison was the first president to use electricity in the White House. But he and his wife refused to touch the lights for fear of electric shock.

Theodore Roosevelt watched Lincoln's funeral procession when he was a child.

William Howard Taft almost served in another high office: he was apparently offered a Supreme Court seat by both McKinley and Roosevelt but turned it down.

Warren G. Harding held many jobs before taking office including being a teacher, an insurance agent, a reporter, and the owner of "The Marion Daily Star."

Before becoming president, Herbert Hoover was a self-made millionaire. He graduated from Stanford University with a degree in geology and then globe trotted throughout his 20s, locating valuable mineral deposits.

Franklin D. Roosevelt was an avid stamp collector and used that hobby as a stress reliever while he was in the White House.

Harry S. Truman once said that the "S" in Truman's name didn't actually stand for anything and it's been the subject of controversy ever since.

Camp David is named after Dwight D. Eisenhower's 5-year-old grandson, David.

Lyndon B. Johnson nearly died in World War II. He boarded a plane, then exited to use the restroom. When he came back, he boarded a different plane. The original plane he was on was destroyed in battle but the second plane survived.

Richard Nixon's middle name, Milhous, was actually his mother's maiden name.

Gerald Ford was the only politician to serve as both president and vice president without actually being elected to either office.

George H.W. Bush was the youngest pilot in the Navy when he served. He flew for 58 combat missions.

George W. Bush is the first president who has an MBA. He graduated from Harvard Business School in 1975.

Barack Obama's first job was scooping ice cream at Baskin Robbins and he says that he ate so much he no longer likes it.

Letter to the Editor policy

The Northwood Anchor will consider all letters to the editor, particularly sharing opinions on current events and stories that appear in the Anchor.

The Anchor reserves the right to choose which letters will be published, based on factors that include available newspaper space and content of the letter. Letters may be editing for spelling, grammar, newspaper style and/or length.

Letters will not be published if they do not include the writer's name and the city they live in or near. Preference is given to letters written by those that live in or near Worth County.

Northwood Anchor **Early Files**

100 years ago

February 15, 1922

Last Sunday was Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tau's 50th wedding anniversary and a large number of their relatives and friends gathered at their home in this city to assist in the golden wedding celebration. Rev. Carl Landdeck, Grafton, pastor of the Northwood Zion church, delivered a sermon and dinner was served.

Today, February 15, at 11:30 a.m. Mr. Herman N. Curley and Miss Ida Pike were married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Frank Forbes in Deer Creek Township. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. T.P. Shaffer, pastor of the Northwood Methodist church, in the presence of only a few near relatives. Following the ceremony a splendid wedding dinner was served by Mrs. Forbes and her sister, Mrs. Best.

The Sons of Norway will hold a social meeting at their Hall in Northwood, on February 21. Lunch will be served by A.C.S. Rue, A. Splide, Carl Rue and P.C. Holt. All members are expected to be present and to bring their wives or sweethearts.

Manager Haight has booked another big film for the coming on February 18 and 19. The film showing will be "The Power Within," and two entertainments will be given, matinee and evening, after church services. The story is described as "A drama of a soul in anguish, cleansed by the fires of courage, faith and love."

In Albert Lea on February 8 occurred the marriage of Wendell Seuser and Evalin Nelson. The same day in Garner, Iowa, Jay Turbett and Miss Bowers were united in marriage. A reception was given to both couples in the hall at Gordonsville by relatives and friends.

75 years ago

February 13, 1947

Plans for the annual "Find the Friends of Scouting" campaign in Northwood this year are in charge of Rev. O.H. Hove, local finance chairman, who announced that six captains and other teams of solicitors will attend a "kickoff" early bird breakfast in the parlors of the First Lutheran Church.

Charles Capper, county engineer in Worth County who resigned last month effective February 15, has accepted a similar position in Wayne County in southern Iowa, where he will take over the duties on March 1. He will live in Corydon, the county seat.

Neal K. Kimm, formerly of Northwood and son of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Kimm, now of Mason City, has been selected as one of the young officers, Department of State, Washington, D.C., to receive special government training in the fifth administrative intern program of the Civil Service Commission from February 3 to July 18, 1947. He is a graduate of the Northwood high school and of the Hamilton School of Commerce, Mason City, and attended George Washington University, Washington D.C.

The Culbertson Plumbing is now located in its own building, the former M.O. Skjeveland building on west Central Avenue. The business was moved this past week after the interior was remodeled and redecorated. I.O. Culbertson is the owner of the business.

Nineteen new members were added to the roster of the local V.F.W. Auxiliary at the meeting. Officers of the group state that a total of 41 members will be included in the list of charter members, which was closed with Tuesday night's meeting. Mrs. G.C. Turvold is the present of the local unit.

A three-day blizzard, the third to visit this vicinity in two weeks time, struck with full force from the northwest and by the time it had partially abated caused the most complete tie-up this section has experienced in 11 years.

50 years ago

February 17, 1972

Members of the Northwood-Kensett chapter of Future Farmers of America are with the Reserve Premier Exhibit Award they won at the Minnesota State Spring Barrow Show in Albert Lea. The N-K chapter has won 10 premier exhibit awards and three reserve premier awards over the past 14 years.

Mrs. Gena Borg relaxes for the photographer and anticipates a big day on February 22 on her 100th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Reeder, route 3, Albert Lea, announce the engagement of their daughter, LeAnn Carole, to Steven Paul Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Anderson, route 2, Northwood. Miss Reeder is a senior at Glenville high school. Her fiancé graduated from Glenville High School in 1971 and is farming south of Glenville.

Mike Dolloff, Dana Bonker and Mark Millard rehearsed for George Orwell's "1984" to be presented by N-K drama students on February 25 and 26 at the West Elementary auditorium. Other cast members are Brian Groe, Becky Schmitt, James Iverson, Glenda Emmons, Mark Erickson, Barbara Davidson, Sherrie Porter, Amy Ringham, Cheryl McMullen, Lee Nelson, and Patty Kuhlman. The three-act play will be given in the round. Patrick Ellis is director, assisted by Jane Morris.

Members of the more than 90 contestants in Sunday's North Iowa Southern Minnesota Snowmobile races at the Worth County Fairgrounds in Northwood strained to get the jump off the lines in one of the qualifying heats under the watchful eyes of starter James Trainer, foreground, and official Robert Weselmann, partially hidden behind Trainer in the background.

25 years ago

February 12, 1997

Children's Garden pre-schoolers Marlee Butler and Jake Loken got the jump on St. Valentine's Day by exchanging a kiss and a valentine on Monday morning. Marlee is the daughter of Lynn and Shana Butler and Jake is the son of Rod and Susan Loken, all of Northwood. Valentine's Day is this coming Friday, Feb. 14.

Three Northwood-Kensett High School students earned "excellent" ratings at the State speech contest Saturday in West Union. N-K seniors Betsy Mellem, Sara Rosch and Jennifer Buggee impressed the judges with their presentation of "Vanities," a 15- minute act about three vain cheerleaders. N-K Speech coach Keith Fritz isn't about to call it type-casting, but the fact that his three stars are Viking Cheerleaders in real life didn't hurt their chances for a top rating in Saturday's competition.

Susan Brunsvold, oboe, Dae Low, french horn, Megan Myhre, flute, and Jessica Vansteenburg, clarinet, have been selected to participate in Iowa Honor Band. Dae and Jessica were also chosen to participate in the Festival of Bands at the University of Northern Iowa. The N-K high school band is currently under the direction of Dave Kovarna, interim band director.

Navy Seaman Apprentice Nicole L. Dalluge, a 1996 graduate of Northwood-Kensett High School of Northwood, recently graduated from the Basic Hospital Corps Schools at Navel Hospital Corps School, Great Lakes, Illinois. Dalluge's first assignment after school will involve direct patient care, but with her training, Dalluge can work in several areas.

Parents Dennis and Kathy Meyer looked on last Wednesday as son Ryan signed a national letter of intent to accept a football scholarship from Iowa State University.

10 years ago

February 15, 2012

Trudy Capitani, with husband Dave, was chosen as the lucky winner of the Northwood Chamber of Commerce Valentine's Day Sweetheart drawing. Northwood's lucky sweethearts received candy from VerHelst Drug Center, flowers from Flower Zone by Connie, a candle from Village Florist, a bottle of champagne from Shade Tree Liquors and an evening in the Jacuzzi suite at Country Inn & Suites.

While many North Iowans have enjoyed the lack of winter precipitation, the few falling flakes have meant a slow season for those that provide snow removal services, such as Paul Hogen, owner of Hogen Lawn Care. Business picked up briefly earlier this week with a light snowfall that covered streets and sidewalks.

A belated recognition meal was served to ACT associates for their efforts in winning the 2011 Angus Industries Annual Food Drive. Turkey sandwiches, beans, chips and beverages were served to all shifts. ACT associates contributed 4,485 items to the Worth County Food Bank. ACT is proud to be a member of Northwood community.

Senior Jami Dahlby drains one of her long-range jumpers in Northwood. Dahlby scored eight points in her final game and was third on the team for the year with 137 total points, good for 6.2 per game.

Senior Tyler Thofson soars to the dimly lit basket in Northwood. The Vikings lost to rival CS 49-33 to finish the conference season at 1-13.

Worth Joining Generations had the Baptist church rockin' as they celebrated National Mentor Month. They had games, crafts and pizza.

Monte Bruce and Addison Fjelstad receive a new saddle at the North Central Reined Cow Horse Association banquet.

Northwood Anchor **Obituaries**

Cynthia Nelson

Cynthia Lavonne (Hillman) Nelson, 73, of Albert Lea, formerly of Glenville, passed away on Monday, February 7, 2022, at St. John's Lutheran Home in Albert Lea.

A Celebration of Life was held at 11 a.m. on Monday, February 14, 2022, at Bayview/Freeborn Funeral Home with Rev. Cheryl Nymann presiding. Visitation was from 1-3 p.m. on Sunday, February 13, 2022, at Bayview/Freeborn Funeral Home and one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at Glenville First Lutheran Cemetery. Online condolences may be left at www.bayviewfuneral.com.



CYNTHIA NELSON

Cynthia was born on August 3, 1948, to Arlington and Alberta (Becker) Hillman at home in Twin Lakes, Minnesota. Cynthia was baptized at Lunder Lutheran Church in rural Glenville and confirmed at Glenville First Lutheran Church. She attended Glenville High School. Cynthia married Kenneth Nelson on March 11, 1967, at Glenville First Lutheran Church. From this union three children were born.

Cynthia worked many jobs as a grocery clerk, baker and factory worker. In her later years, she was self-employed as a day care worker for many years. Her many hobbies included baking, canning, embroidery. She loved playing bingo, cards and making many stops to the casino. Cynthia was a lifelong member of the Glenville American Legion Auxiliary. She held many offices at her unit level. She was a past district president and past department Chaplain. She enjoyed dancing and listening to the radio.

Cynthia is survived by her three children, Troy (Robyn) Hillman, Angie (Lance) Keltner and David (Kelli) Nelson; grandchildren, Tyler (Zach) Hillman, Cole (Kyla) Keltner, Kailee Keltner, Cayla Hillman, Katie Hillman, Ella Hillman, Bentley Hillma and Garrison Nelson; great-grandchildren, Alastair, Holden, Oliver and Laney; foster son, Jeff Cook; siblings, Jim (Judy) Becker, Arlington (Carol) Hillman, Sandra (Dennis) Fredrickson and Lynette (Ron) Wolff; sisters-in-law, Audrey Hillman and Mary Groe; brother-in-law, Jon Johnson; and many other loving relatives and friends.

Cynthia is preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth; siblings, Cheryl Hillman, Starla Johnson and Terrance Hillman; and brother-in-law, Chuck Groe.

Memorials are preferred to the Glenville First Lutheran Cemetery Fund.

Luan Sallee

Luan Eva (Land) Sallee, 90, of Albert Lea, passed away peacefully, with family by her side, on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at the Mayo Hospital in Rochester.

Visitation begins at 10 a.m., followed by the funeral service at 11 a.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2022, at Trinity Lutheran Church of Albert Lea with Pastor Eileen Woyen presiding. Burial will take place at Hillcrest Cemetery of Albert Lea, Minnesota. The funeral service will be livestreamed from Bayview/Freeborn Funeral Home's Facebook page. Online condolences may be left at www.bayviewfuneral.com.

Luan was born on July 31,1931. She grew up on a farm near Northwood, Iowa, during the Great Depression. This experience fostered the ability and desire to be prepared for anything life might throw her way.

Luan attended a country school through the eighth grade. In order to attend high school, she was required to leave the farm and her family and move to town. She worked at a diner in exchange for room and board. She graduated as valedictorian from Northwood High School in 1950. Luan married the love of her life, Donald Sallee, on the evening of her high school graduation.

Luan and Don moved to Albert Lea, Minnesota, where they raised five children. Together they instilled a strong work ethic and the importance of enjoying the simple pleasures of life. Luan worked full time while raising her family. She was employed at Wilson's in the billing department and at Queen's Scotsman as a payroll clerk. Luan's family was her world. She cherished her children, was devoted to her husband, loved her own mother beyond measure, enjoyed adventures and shenanigans with her siblings, and loved her many nieces and nephews. After Luan's husband, Don, passed away in 1999, the companionship of her dogs brought her much comfort and joy.



LUAN SALLEE

Luan loved to cook and was well known for creating wholesome meals and delicious soups. Luan made the best chocolate cake and frosting from scratch. Luan was an accomplished quilter. All her quilts were hand sewn works of art. Her talent and passion showed through on every project. Luan's quilts and wall hangings were sent coast to coast, with love, to family and friends.

Luan loved nature very much. She enjoyed the breeze on a summer day, sitting by the water, and watching birds. She always made sure "her birds" had food to eat during the winter. Luan was an avid flower gardener who treasured their color and beauty. She collected many beautiful vases at estate sales and antique stores over the years. Luan was sensitive to the needs of the less fortunate, making donations to several worthy causes, especially veterans, who held a special place in her heart.

Luan was proud and held a deep desire to not be a burden. This was evident in the meticulous, near flawless, end of life directives she left behind to guide her children when she died. It brought her children great comfort that Luan passed away on her husband's earthly birthday, February 10.

Luan was preceded in death by her husband, Donald; parents, Clayton and Laura Land; brothers, Harry and Andrew Land; sisters, Lila Funk, Lily Anderson and Frances Christiansen: grandson, Jay Schulte; and several cousins, nieces, nephews and friends too many to name.

Luan is survived by her children, Jerry (Karon) Sallee, Lori (Fred) Schulte, Ellen Carey, Edward (Karrine) Sallee and Deean (Tim) Philbin; sister, Carolyn Kalvig; brother-in-law, Roger Christiansen; special family members, Steve Carey and Eri Schulte Hayworth; grandchildren, Amy (Lee) Taylor, Laura (Steve) Roche, Brooke (Greg) Stahly, Ryan (Jamie) Schulte, Jayne Schulte-Whiting (Todd Whiting), Adam Schulte (Holly Reid), Kristen Carey, Michelle Carey, Bryan (Ninah) Philbin and Matthew (Jessica) Philbin; and great-grandchildren, Joshua, Luke and Ruth Taylor, Grace, Abby and Hannah Roche, Ryan, Lauren, Micah and Judah Stahly, Lauren and Hayley Schulte, Eron Schulte, Jayce Schulte and Weston Whiting, Harper and Declan Philbin, and Teagan and Myles Philbin.

Luan's family would like to acknowledge her lifelong friends, Lael Espevold Weitzel (deceased) and Lois Tenold, and appreciate Carolyn Kalvig, Carol Hermsdorf, Vicki Leidal and many others for the frequent visits and compassion extended toward Luan. Lastly, we appreciate the home and kind care provided to Luan by Northwood Pines Assisted Living and the Palliative Care Medical Team at Rochester Methodist, who provided exceptional end of life care. Luan had a strong faith, drew people in with her humor and wit, and lived a long full life. She was blessed, loved and will be missed.

In lieu of flowers, Luan would love it if you would plant a tree, flower or place a bird feeder in your yard in Luan's memory.

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Bonnie J. Brevig

Bonnie J. Brevig of Northwood passed away Thursday, February 10, 2022.

Funeral arrangement are pending with Schroeder and Sites Funeral Home.





Viking Cafe visits Rochester

Last week, students in Northwood-Kensett's Viking Cafe class took part in a tour of Rochester, Minnesota, to visit and learn at restaurants in the city. That included a stop at Roasted Bliss Coffeehouse and Bakery and Victoria's Ristorante. The students were there to learn about how restaurants work outside of the classroom, to inspire potential future careeers. They also brought back a few ideas that they can use in their own Viking Cafe restaurant experience, which is run out of the classroom. Victoria's Ristorante's Facebook page shared impressions of the students, the class and their teacher, saying that the restaurant staff enjoyed learning about N-K's program and were impressed, saying the students had waiting jobs after graduation if they wanted.

Bolan

Lori Willert and Linda Nydegger attended the Iowa State Classic for Track and Field on Saturday afternoon. Cole Willert, who is part of the UNI Track Team, ran in the 400M. Also attending was Cole's friend Lauren and also Kelsie Willert and her friend Reese. Lori was able to visit with Tom Yezek also.

The Bolan Trinity ladies have been working on getting the church basement ready for renovations by sorting and recycling many items that have accumulated during the years.

The VBS Pancake Brunch fundraiser will be held at Bethel UM Church in Manly on Sunday, February 20. Serving will start at 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. Vacation Bible School will be held in Bolan on June 20 - 24 from 9 a.m. until noon. The theme this year is "ZOOMERANG, Returning to the Value of Life." This will have an Australian flair to it.

Supervisors

February 7, 2022
Sixth Day

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

Smeby 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 Stone, second by Loberg, carried to approve the February 7, 2022 board agenda.

Motion by Stone, second by Loberg, carried to approve the January 31, 2022 board minutes.

Motion by Stone, second by Loberg, carried to approve drainage claims in the amount of $46,471.00, as per the following schedule:

A1 Excavating & Drainage DD 10/Lat 8, Repairs..... $29,231.00
A1 Excavating & Drainage DD 10/Lat 9, Repairs..... $1,000.00
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD 24, Prof Services..... $1,732.50
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD52, Prof Services..... $997.50
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD 11/ Main A, Prof Services ... $3,885.00
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD 13/ Open Main, Prof Services.$840.00
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD 34/ Main E, Prof Services ... $5,197.50
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD 37, Prof Services..... $3,337.50
Donald R Anderson, DD 1, Beaver Trapping $250.00
Grand Total..... $46,471.00

Motion by Loberg, second by Stone, carried to approve claims in the amount of $35,179.49, as per the following schedule:

A & I Auto Body Inc
Service-Eng 2,065.46
Access Systems Leasing
Service-Dap 124.50
Amazon Capital Services
Supplies-Dap 1,126.87
Arnold Motor Supply
Parts-Eng..... 86.10
At&T Mobility
Service-Shf..... 1,593.37
Black Hills Energy Inc
Service-Eng 2,043.55
Cintas Corporation
Service-Eng 417.58
City Of Fertile
Rutf-Eng 1,625.79
City Of Grafton
Rutf-Eng 971.77
City Of Hanlontown
Rutf-Eng 420.11
City Of Joice, Rutf-Eng... 1,043.93
City Of Kensett, Rutf-Eng . 524.23
Dave Syverson Inc
Parts-Eng..... 362.19
Dustin Doty, Reimb-Con..... 8.44
Enos Loberg, Mileage-Sup. 120.87
Greve Law Office
Rent & Payroll-Aty 6,255.58
Injectech Diesel Service
Parts-Eng..... 78.86
Joel Rohne, Mileage-It/Gis .. 35.00
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf..... 74.01
Kevin Springer Construction
Service-Gsr 300.00
Lair's 66, Fuel-Eng..... 63.75
Lawson Products Inc
Supplies-Eng 371.30
Lutheran Services In Iowa, Inc
Service-Juj 1,119.60
Northwood Dental Associates
Service-Shf..... 116.00
Northwood Electric Inc
Service-Eng 2,066.94
Northwood Sanitation Llc
Service-Gsr 191.50
Nuss Truck & Equipment Inc
Service-Eng 4,323.95
Olsen Implement Inc
Service-Con..... 244.20
Overhead Door Co Of Mason City
Service-Sdp..... 240.00
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc
Service-Con..... 37.86
R80 Llc, Fuel-Eng 83.01
Ram Systems, Service-Phd 720.00
Reinhart Food Service Llc
Supplies-Shf 284.85
Servpro Of Mason City
Service-Gsr 300.00
Sustainability Maintained
Service-Sdp..... 1,601.50
Trading Post
Supplies-Eng 199.99
Verizon Wireless
Service-Ema 40.01
Waste Management Of Iowa Inc
Service-Sdp..... 796.88
Winnebago Coop Telephone Assn
Service-Gsr 3,099.94
Grand Total 35,179.49

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

Motion by by Loberg, second by Stone, carried to approve the Class C Liquor License with ownership updates for Joe Siems d/b/a Thirsty Dog Lounge.

Motion by Stone, second by Loberg, carried to approve an agreement between Worth County and the City of Northwood regarding combined precinct for elections.

Motion by Stone, second by Loberg, carried to appoint Merlin Bartz to NIACOG (Economic interests) and Mark Smeby to County Board of Health.

Motion by Loberg, second by Stone, carried to approve NIACOG Housing Trust Fund to administer State Housing Trust Fund dollars for Worth County.

Chairperson Smeby recessed the regular session at 10:15 A.M.

Chairperson Smeby reconvened the regular session at 10:34 A.M. John Torbert, IDDA gave an update in drainage legislation to the board.

Motion by Loberg, second by Stone, carried to adjourn at 10:56 A.M. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be Monday, February 14, 2022 at 8:30 A.M.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Mark Smeby, Chairperson

City of Kensett

City of Kensett
2021 Salaries

Employee	Gross Wages
RICHARD N BAUER	$24,206.02
LA RUE J DOUGLAS	$520.00
CARRIE J HAGEN	$1,164.94
WILLIAM T HILLSON	$4,590.00
BARBARA L LUCKASON	$6,384.00
LORI J MCNALLY	$29,723.72
SUSAN M OVERY	$1,958.25
RONALD A PARKER	$400.00
CHUCK PILKINGTON	$440.00
CORWYN L PULJU	$2,400.00
KRISTINE M WOLTZEN	$520.00
TOTAL	$72,306.93

Supervisors

January 31, 2022
Fifth Day

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

Smeby 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 Stone, second by Loberg, carried to approve the Janaury 31, 2022 board agenda.

Motion by Stone, second by Loberg, carried to approve the January 24, 2022 board minutes.

Motion by Stone, second by Loberg, carried to approve drainage claims in the amount of $1,901.08, as per the following schedule:

Brian Tweeten, DD 21/East Main, Repairs.....$1,901.08

Motion by Loberg, second by Stone, carried to approve claims in the amount of $193,055.22, as per the following schedule:

Alliant Energy
Service-Eng 13,232.37
Amazon Capital Services
Supplies 24.58
Aramark, Service-Eng 255.91
Berge Oil Company
Fuel-Eng 29,973.98
Bice Electric Llc
Service-Gsr 1,495.00
Cindy Thompson
Reimb-Asr..... 202.47
Com-Tec Land Mobile Radio
Service-Shf..... 4,365.77
Crysteel Truck Equipment Inc
Parts-Eng..... 5,452.30
Culligan Of Mason City
Service-Trs..... 38.06
D & L Equipment
Supplies-Eng 3,248.13
Dana Young, Service-Mex . 150.00
Five Star Cooperative
Fuel-Eng 249.31
Greve Law Office, Reimb-Aty 8.95
Grp & Associates Inc
Supplies-Phd 36.00
Hartland Lubricants & Chemicals
Supplies-Eng 1,353.08
Imwca
Wk Comp Prem-Ins..... 18,940.00
Isac, Edu-Aud..... 190.00
Isaca District Ii Auditors
Dues-Aud 20.00
Joel Rohne, Reimb-Dap 212.93
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf..... 1,112.67
Kevin Springer Construction
Service-Gsr 5,880.00
Knudtson Automotive Service
Service-Shf..... 78.44
Lawson Products Inc
Supplies-Eng 187.80
Mail Services Llc
Service-Trs..... 290.48
Manly Junction Signal
Service-Sup & Aud..... 356.87
Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Dap 191.06
Mason City Fire And Rescue
Service-Mex 500.00
Matt Parrott/Storey Kenworthy
Supplies-Trs 39.17
Mediacom, Service-Gsr 297.05
Mk Service & Repair
Service-Eng 591.89
Northwood Anchor Inc
Service-Sup & Aud..... 527.19
Pathology Assoc Of Mason City
Service-Mex 750.00
Peopleservice Inc
Service-Wat & Wwt..... 14,725.00
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc
Service-Ema 31.20
R80 Llc, Fuel-Gsr..... 79.72
Reinhart Food Service Llc
Supplies-Shf 398.12
Servpro Of Mason City
Service-Gsr 1,852.80
Staples Credit Plan
Supplies 22.07
Teresa Olson
Mileage-Rec 53.82
Trading Post
Supplies-Eng 195.14
Uline Inc
Supplies-Gsr 1,687.02
Vanguard Appraisals Inc
Service-Asr 30,123.90
Verizon Wireless
Service-It/Gis..... 198.40
Visa, Service-Eng 3,308.52
Winnebago Co Auditor
Service-Soc..... 3,511.43
Worth Co Emergency Mgmt
3rd Qtr Pymt-Dis/Ema 18,636.25
Worth County Engineer
Fuel-Ema 149.52
Ziegler Inc, Parts-Eng... 27,830.85
Grand Total 193,055.22

Motion by by Loberg, second by Stone, carried to approve the Class E Liquor License with ownership updates for Kum & Go LC d/b/a Kum & Go #119.

Motion by Stone, second by Loberg, carried to approve the addendum to Agreement for Law Enforcement between Worth County and the City of Fertile.

Motion by Stone, second by Loberg, carried to approve Resolution 2022.01.31 Setting Court Appointed Attorney Fee Schedule for Cases within Worth County:

Resolution No. 2022.01.31

WHEREAS, there are several types of court appointments for cases in which Worth County may be responsible for legal fees of said court appointments; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to set a comprehensive court appointed attorney fee schedule for situations where the County may be held responsible to be consistent with Iowa Code section 815.7.

WHEREAS, Iowa Code section 815.7 sets the reasonable compensation for appointments for all cases not involving felony criminal charges at $66.00 per hour.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED the reasonable compensation for Court appointed attorneys shall be set to $66.00 per hour, subject to a maximum of two hundred dollars ($200.00) in cases where the County is responsible for payment. Additional compensation at the rate of $66.00 per hour may be paid for the court appointment only if the Court has granted a Motion to Exceed the Guidelines prior to submission of the invoice for payment.

Resolution declared adopted this 31st day of January 2022.

SIGNED: Mark Smeby, Chairperson, Board of Supervisors, Worth County, Iowa

ATTEST: Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor

Motion by Stone, second by Loberg to approve Resolution 2022.01.31.1 Resolution for Board to approve Signing 28E Agreement for Care Connections of Northern Iowa:

Resolution No. 2022.01.31.1

WHEREAS, Worth County Board of Supervisors has previously entered into a 28E

agreement with the counties of Clay, Kossuth, Osceola, Palo Alto and Winnebago counties to

create a separate legal entitiy under Iowa Code Chapter 28E, known as Care Connections of

Northern Iowa; and,

WHEREAS,Care Connections of Northern Iowa has proposed changes to the 28E agreement

and is asking member counties to pass a resolution authorizing the Board of Supervisors Chair

person to sign the new agreement; and,

WHEREAS,the new agreement is appropriate and the Board approves the changes; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Worth County Board of Supervisors that

they approve, support and endorse the new 28E Agreement for Care Connections of Northern

Iowa and consent to Mark Smeby, the current Chairperson to sign the said 28E Agreement.

Dated this 31st day of January, 2022.

Mark Smeby, Chairperson, Worth County Board of Supervisors

Attest: Jacki Backhaus, Worth County Auditor

Motion by Loberg, second by Stone, carried to approve the the 2022 Wellness Agreement between Iowa State Association of Counties and Worth County.

Motion by Stone, second by Loberg, carried to adjourn at 9:29 A.M. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be Monday, February 7, 2022 at 8:30 A.M.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Mark Smeby, Chairperson

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CITY OF KENSETT - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:

Meeting Date: 2/28/2022 **Meeting Time:** 07:00 PM **Meeting Location:** Kensett City Hall

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After adoption of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.

City Website (if available)

City Telephone Number (641) 845-2388

	Current Year Certified Property Tax 2021 - 2022	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2022 - 2023	Budget Year Proposed Maximum Property Tax 2022 - 2023	Annual % CHG
Regular Taxable Valuation	6,610,530	7,076,412	7,076,412	
Tax Levies:				
Regular General	53,546	53,546	57,319	
Contract for Use of Bridge			0	
Opr & Maint Publicly Owned Transit			0	
Rent, Ins. Maint. Of Non-Owned Civ. Ctr.	6,062	6,062	4,658	
Opr & Maint of City-Owned Civic Center			0	
Planning a Sanitary Disposal Project			0	
Liability, Property & Self-Insurance Costs	10,759	10,759	8,009	
Support of Local Emer. Mgmt. Commission			0	
Emergency	1,785	1,785	1,911	
Police & Fire Retirement			0	
FICA & IPERS	8,017	8,017	8,432	
Other Employee Benefits			0	
Total Tax Levy	80,169	80,169	80,329	0.19
Tax Rate	12.12747	11.32905	11.35159	

Explanation of significant increases in the budget:
No significant increases.

If applicable, the above notice also available online at:

*Total city tax rate will also include voted general fund levy, debt service levy, and capital improvement reserve levy.
**Budget year effective property tax rate is the rate that would be assessed for these levies if the dollars requested is not changed in the coming budget year

Legal

Notice

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given by the Worth County Planning and Zoning Commission that a public hearing will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at the Kensett Community Center at 300 Willow Street, Kensett to inform and allow the public an opportunity to comment on the Commission's plans and approach to recommend zoning countywide in Worth County. Published by the order of the Worth County Planning & Zoning Commission.

Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CLARENCE M. MAYO, Deceased
Case No. ESPR009303
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Clarence Marino Mayo, Deceased, who died on or about the January 23, 2022:

You are hereby notified that on February 2, 2022, the undersigned was appointed as administrator of the estate.

Notice is further 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 this February 3, 2022.

Brad A. Mayo
836 - 14th Street S.E.
Mason City, Iowa 50401
Administrator
of the Estate

Daivid A. Grooters
ICIS# AT0003058
Pappajohn, Shriver,
Eide & Nielsen P.C.
103 East State Street
Suite 800
Mason City, Iowa 50401
Attorney for Administrator

Date of second publication the 23rd day of February, 2022.

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N-K point guard Madalynn Hanson penetrates the Central Springs defense in last Monday's TIC East season finale in Manly. Hanson had two points, three steals, one assist and six rebounds in the 45-35 loss. The talented sophomore guard is the team's leading rebounder this season at 5.5 boards per game.



Senior Viking Marli Backhaus puts up a one -handed jump shot in last Thursday night's 62-30 win over North Butler. Backhaus came off the bench to score six points and grabbed two rebounds.

Lady Vikings advance to regional quarterfinals with over NB

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

On paper at least it looked like the basketball gods were not on the side of the Lady Vikings heading into last Thursday's regional game against North Butler. Northwood-Kensett had lost its final regular season game at Central Springs and now had to overcome the always tricky situation of having to beat a team for the third time in one season.

But after its 45-35 regular season finale loss to the Panthers, N-K was able to bounce back and played perhaps its best basketball of the season in dismantling the Bearcats, winning for the fourth consecutive time in a series that they trail all-time 24-9.

In last Monday's final regular season contest the Lady Vikings came out strong and led early, 7-2 before ending the first eight minutes of play trailing by two points, 10-8.

The Lady Vikings bounced back and retook the lead at 16-13 with just 3:45 remaining in the first half before the Panthers scored six points in the final 1:43 to take a slim 21-16 advantage into the locker room at the halftime break.

N-K was able to get back in the game in the third quarter when they outscored the Panthers 10-7 and pulled to within two points at 28-26 to start the fourth quarter.

Unfortunately CS waited to have its best eight minutes of the ballgame and poured in a game high 17 points to earn the 45-35 Top of Iowa Conference east victory.

Chloe Costello led the team with 15 points, four steals and seven rebounds while Morgan Wallin came off the bench and added 10 points, three steals and two boards in the TIC East loss.

Next up for the Lady Vikings was a Thursday night regional contest that had them facing the Bearcats of North Butler, a team N-K had already beaten twice this season, but NB had played considerably better the second game than it did in the first, a 38-11 blowout.

And the Bearcats did play better on this night, but they couldn't keep up with a Lady Vikings team that scorched the nets for a 46.4 field goal percentage and was an incredible 8-16 from 3-point range.

After a close first quarter that ended with N-K up by just five at 13-7, the Lady Vikings poured it on in the second quarter and kept the game out of reach when they outscored NB 20-5 to take a commanding 33-12 lead into the halftime break.

With the Lady Vikings shots continuing to fall late in the second half, they cleared the bench and waited for the time to run out in the 62-30 regional first round game.

Costello led the team with 17 points and is now averaging a team leading 9.6 points per game this season while Carly Hengesteg and Madalynn Hanson combined for 16 points, nine assists and 13 rebounds.

The Vikings, who are now 9-13 overall and wrapped up the conference season at 7-9, faced Riceville on the road on Tuesday in a regional quarterfinal matchup. The Wildcats, who once were Corn Bowl Conference foes of N-K, now play in the Iowa Star North, where they have compiled an impressive 20-2 record.

Final TIC East Standings

TIC East	Overall
Osage	15-1 18-3
West Fork	13-3 17-4
Central Springs	10-6 12-9
Saint Ansgar	10-6 14-8
Nashua-Plainfield	8-8 13-9
Newman Catholic	7-9 8-14
Northwood-Kensett	7-9 9-13
North Butler	2-14 2-20
Rockford	0-16 1-21

Vikings second half comeback comes up just short in 63-53 District 3 loss

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Northwood-Kensett boys basketball team dropped its final two games of the season last week but if playing with heart and never surrendering was able to puts points on the board this team would have a winning record.

In last Monday's regular season finale the Vikings ran out to an early 14-4 advantage only to see the Panthers respond with a run of their own, eventually overcoming N-K and leading after the first eight minutes of play, 19-16.

The second quarter was not kind to the Vikings as CS went on a 33-7 run and took a commanding 42-23 lead into the locker room at the halftime break.

But as much as the second quarter hurt the Vikings, the third helped rejuvenate their spirit as they went on their own 20-9 run, ending the third quarter trailing by just six points at 55-49.

But with the Panthers, who shot 51.8 percent from the field, having one of their best quarters of the game, N-K was not able to respond and fell in the final Top of Iowa Conference East game of the year by 17 points, 76-59.

Freshman Kooper Julseth led the team with 20 points while Colby Eskildsen and Jason Hanson added 15 and 14 points respectively.

Hoping to recover from the loss to CS the Vikings went into their district play in a game at West Bend-Mallard full of confidence as the coaching staff had them ready to play.

After trailing early the Vikings' Lamonte Sims splashed a 3-pointer to even the score temporarily at 8-8 before N-K fell behind 13-8 at the end of the first quarter.

With its offense struggling a bit N-K relied on its defense to keep it in the game in the second quarter, and after falling behind 22-11 with 3:40 remaining, the Vikings ended the first half looking at a 25-14 deficit.

With the Vikings' shots not falling in the third quarter the Wolverines were able to run out to a 34-20 lead that N-K was able to strip to just 12 at the end of the third and began the fourth and final quarter looking at a 42-29 deficit.

Not wanting to go down without one final fight, the Vikings went on a 15-5 run to pull to within just three points at 54-51 with just 1:30 left in regulation.

Left with the options of stealing the ball or sending the Wolverines to the charity stipe if they couldn't get the steal, the Vikings had to watch as WB-M went to the line 10 times in the final 1:21 of the game, hitting nine of them that effectively sealed the Vikings' fate as they fell by 10, 63-53.

Eskildsen (16), Julseth (15) and Carter Anderson (10) all scored in double figures while Sims and Hanson combined for 11 points.

The Vikings will lose just one senior from its varsity team, Jason Hanson. Hanson made a habit of collecting double-doubles over his career and ended his senior campaign averaging 12.4 points and a team high 8.0 rebounds. Hanson ends his N-K basketball career with 467 points and 311 rebounds. This season, the talented post player scored 261 points and pulled down 167 boards, all career highs.

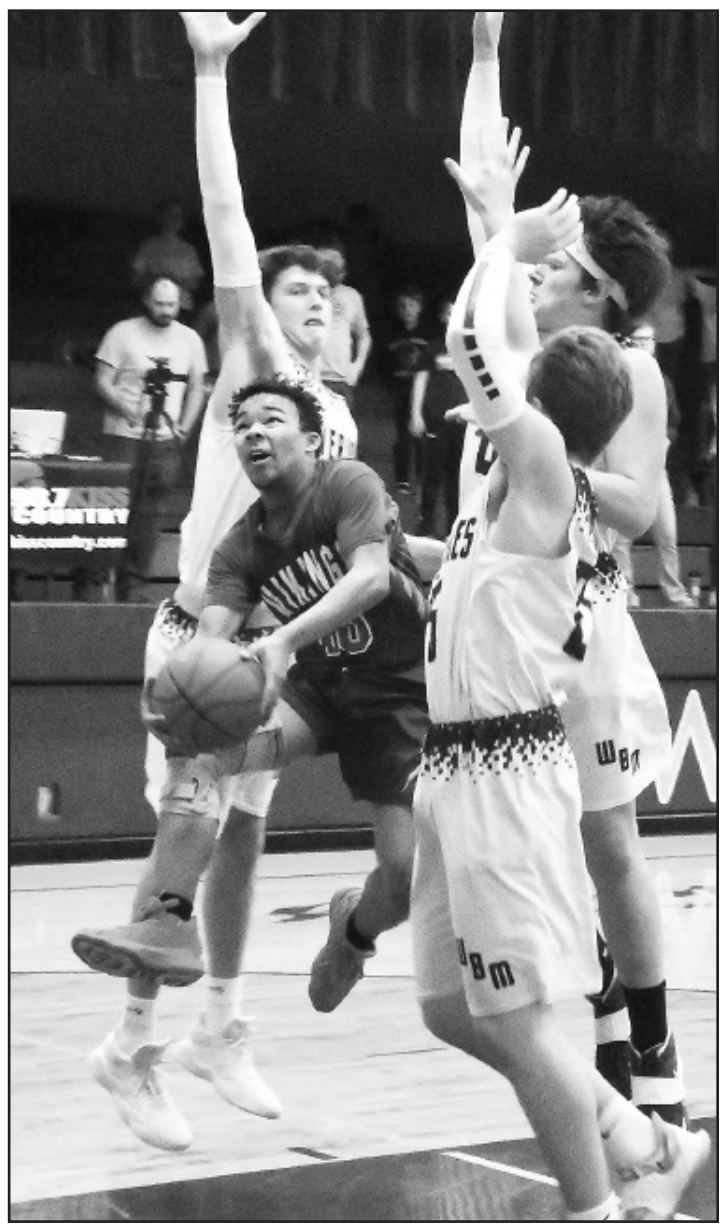
With the loss to WB-M the Vikings end the season at 5-16 overall and 3-13 in the TIC East.

Final TIC East Standings

TIC East	Overall
Newman Catholic	15-1 20-1
Osage	14-2 16-5
West Fork	10-6 10-11
Central Springs	8-8 10-11
North Butler	8-8 11-10
Nashua-Plainfield	7-9 12-9
Rockford	5-11 9-12
Northwood-Kensett	3-13 5-16
Saint Ansgar	2-14 2-20



N-K senior Jason Hanson slips inside the CS defense for two points in last Monday night's 76-59 TIC East loss. Hanson scored 14 points and led the team with eight rebounds.



N-K point guard Lamonte Sims takes the ball into the teeth of the Wolverines defense last Friday night in West Bend. Sims scored five points and dished out three assists in the 63-53 district 3 loss to West Bend-Mallard.

Anchor Sports



N-K's Josiah Kliment tries to escape the hold of Riceville's Lawson Losee in his semifinals match last Saturday at the Denver district meet. Kliment placed third, just missing out on a trip to state but the talented senior had a year to be proud of, going 39-7.

A correction and an apology

By Kris Kenison
Publisher

Last week was one that brought much discussion at the Northwood Anchor, centered on a paragraph on the sports page.

The Stat of the Week mentioned a disparity in wrestling statistics. It's a difference between how official and other sources count records.

While the intent was to give the athletes credit for their milestones, it was phrased in a way that was harsh and insulting to their coaches.

We regret and apologize for the insinuation that N-K coaches don't acknowledge or celebrate the athletes' successes. The coaches are focused on the season on hand, but they do celebrate the student achievements and we in turn enjoy sharing those events with the athletes and their coaches when they happen. We're sorry that was put into question last week.



Mason Thofson, at 285 pounds, battles Mitchel Marr of Riceville in his semifinals match last Saturday in Denver. Thofson lost by fall to Marr, but came back with a win by fall in his third-place match over Tate Miller of AGWSR. Thofson went 23-3 this season.



N-K 182 pounder Tyler Mills goes for the takedown last Saturday in Denver. Mills, who battled to the end in his semifinals match against Carson Hartz of Columbus Catholic, would up losing an 8-1 decision before coming back and winning his third-place match, a fall over Ben Navratil of CS. Mills ends his N-K career with a season record of 42-4.

N-K's Drake Tiedemann heading to state for second consecutive year

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Northwood-Kensett wrestling team had a pretty good day last Saturday at the class 1A district state qualifying meet in Denver, and while the Vikings are sending just one out of the four wrestlers on to the state tournament, the team made a impressive showing nonetheless.

At 160 pounds 38-6 Josiah Kliment lost his first match in a 7-2 decision to Riceville's Lawson Losee and then beat Beau Kaufman of Lake Mills 5-0 to secure a third-place finish. He did not get a wrestleback opportunity and finished the season at 39-7.

Tyler Mills wrestled at 182 pounds and lost an 8-1 decision in his semifinals match before coming back and beating Ben Navratil of Central Springs in just 31 seconds by fall in the third-place match. Mills did not get a wrestleback opportunity.

At 285 pounds Mason Thofson, who came out of nowhere this season to bring an incredible 22-2 record into the district meet, lost his opening match to Riceville's Mitchel Marr by fall. Thofson came back in the third place match to pick up the win over Tate Miller of AGWSR, winning by fall in just 1:03. Thofson also failed to get a wrestleback opportunity.

And last, but surely not least, is N-K's 2021-22 state wrestling qualifier, Drake Tiedemann. Tiedemann, who came into this week's districts with over 150 career wins and a spot atop the Vikings career wins list, went 2-0 on the day, securing his trip to state with wins over Titus Evans of Nashua-Plainfield and MaKade Bloker of North Butler/Clarksville.

Tiedemann, who is now 43-1 on the year after losing his only match in the TIC meet finals, will be making his second consecutive state meet appearance. Last season the talented wrestler placed seventh in Des Moines.

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