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Briefs



It's time to spring forward

Clocks will "spring forward" this coming Sunday, March 13, a full week before the official start of spring on March 20.

Daylight saving time begins at 2 a.m. local time, which is the official hour to set all of our clocks ahead one hour.

N-K Math Club holds pie auction tomorrow

The Northwood-Kensett Math Club is celebrating a week dedicated to the number pi, with a pie auction held tomorrow, inviting the public to place bids.

The club celebrates March 14 (3-14) each year with its connection to pi, which starts with the numerals 3.14. With the school's spring break starting on March 14, the Math Club is celebrating this week instead.

The events will include a pie auction tomorrow, Thursday, March 10.

Anyone that would like to donate a pie can bring it to the high school office by March 10 at 8 a.m.

Those that would like to bid on a pie can preview them on the school's Facebook page and stop at the high school hallway in front of the office to place a bid. Bids will be accepted from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday

Funds raised in the auction go towards calculator scholarships.



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

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Tues. March 1	33	35	
Wed. March 2	39	27	
Thurs. March 3	44	23	T
Fri. March 4	27	22	T
Sat. March 5	37	25	
Sun. March 6	43	24	.35
Mon. March 7	28	18	



Fire claims Northwood building

A building in Northwood, located at the corner of Sixth Street and Central Avenue, caught fire on Monday, quickly overcoming a structure that housed storage below and two apartments above. The Northwood Volunteer Fire Company was the first to respond to the fire, but it quickly became clear that the blaze would require the efforts of several area departments. The NVFC responded with 20 firefighters. Other agencies assisting on the scene included fire departments from Manly, Lake Mills, Glenville, Joice, Kensett; along with the Worth County Sheriff's Office, Worth County EMA, the City of Northwood, North Iowa CERT, Alliant Energy and the Iowa State Fire Marshal's office. No people were known to have been harmed in the fire, but the structure was a complete loss and pets did not survive. Those that would like to aid a family who lost their home in the fire may do so online at gofund.me/e68798a7.

See more photos on page 12.

Property taxes up 0.55% in City budget

At the second meeting in March, the Northwood City Council will hold a public hearing to discuss the proposed budget for the fiscal year that begins on July 1, 2022, and ends on June 30, 2023.

The budget reflects the total amount of money that the City plans to collect and spend in the coming fiscal year. This includes property taxes, utility bills, city fees and other incoming funds. It also reflects the money that the city will spend to maintain streets and infrastructure, to provide law enforcement, to administer housing programs and incentives, to run the City's water and sewer systems and all other services the City provides.

The City of Northwood's tax levy will decrease while the amount budgeted for

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City water violation caused by frozen test sample

Last week the City of Northwood sent letters to all of its water utility customers, notifying that a DNR violation had occurred.

The letter notes that the City's water system had violated a drinking water standard in January, due to a lack of a submitted test sample.

The City, in the letter, said that there were no emergencies, but that customers had a right to know that an issue occurred.

The City regularly submits samples of water to test for bacteria levels. In January 2022, the City submitted a sample, but it froze before it could arrive at the lab for testing. The lab did not inform the City of the issue in time for another sample to be sent.

Samples sent in December 2021 and February 2022 showed no

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Supervisors set hearing to begin EMA ballot question process

The Worth County supervisors have set the date for the next step in placing an emergency medical services property tax levy and/or sales tax on the ballots in the November general election.

The supervisors have been discussing the option of putting to a vote their plans for ways to provide additional funds to meet the emergency medical needs of the county, including the potential establishment of a Worth County-based ambulance service, or satellite location for another ambulance provider.

But before any potential uses of an EMA levy can be considered, the supervisors must first hold a public hearing and approve EMA as an essential service of the County.

A hearing for that consideration has been set for Monday, May 9, at 8:30 a.m. It would be the first of three weekly hearings, with the potential to waive the third if they choose.

After the hearings have been held, the supervisors would act on a resolution declaring EMA an official purpose.

With a resolution in place, a committee would be formed, including those in the county with an interest or experience in emergency medial services. The committee would discuss the county's EMA needs and how much those would cost.

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Zoning designations to be shared as next hearing approaches

The Worth County Planning and Zoning Commission met last week to continue planning for a recommendation to expand zoning countywide.

The commission is continuing the process of making an official recommendation to the Worth County supervisors for expanding zoning. While countywide zoning has been discussed in recent years, the recent push has come as a countywide wind development ordinance has been considered discriminatory if applied on its own. However, the regulations are similar to the type of structural considerations found in zoning rules. With only three zoned counties, those that contain the interstate, zoning would need to expand to accommodate countywide wind development regulation.

Before the March 2 commission meeting, a clarification was made after a public hearing. While Iowa law protects agriculture uses, that applies to structures specifically, and not necessarily all structures would be exempt in areas with an agricultural zoning designation.

At the meeting, discussion was held for the next steps for the commission to make its recommendation to the board of supervisors.

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Chicken in

A unit on embryology recently came to a close with the arrival of some new baby chicks. The students in Collette Ubben's room are pictured above welcoming the newborns. The eggs in the classroom lessons were guided by the Ag in the Classroom program at Farm Bureau and Teresa Stehn.

Read Across Iowa with children of all ages

Throughout March, Read Across Iowa will bring the joy of reading to children of all ages. Agriculturally themed Read Across Iowa events will be held across the state and will feature books and materials about agriculture that will appeal to all readers, according to Mackenzie Johnson, human sciences specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

Read Across Iowa is a collaborative effort of the Iowa Agriculture Literacy Foundation, ISU Extension and Outreach, Iowa 4-H Youth Development and the Iowa State Education Association.

"Reading to children and having books in the home is one of the strongest predictors of school success," said Johnson, who specializes in family wellbeing.

"When you read with children, you are making an investment. Early reading and talking with children gives them a strong start and a life-long return," Johnson said.

"Reading to children just 20 minutes a day adds up to nearly 2 million words that they will hear per year," Johnson said. "The more words that children hear, the more words they are able to learn."

Scholastic, the long-time children's book publisher and provider of literacy curricula, has reported that children learn 4,000 to 12,000 words per year through reading. Children who read 3,000 words a day score in the top 2% on achievement tests.

Researchers with the University of Sussex estimate reading can reduce stress up to 68%, and the Annie E. Casey Foundation reports that proficient readers are 2.5 times more likely to have a well-paying job.

Reading Is Fundamental, a nonprofit children's literacy organization in the United States, surveyed approximately 1,000 teachers, parents and caregivers to understand their concerns around the impacts of COVID-19 on children's literacy development. These survey findings support the data indicating that there is an urgent need to address early literacy.

Reading Is Fundamental has reported that educators and caregivers are deeply concerned about the negative impact of COVID-19 on children's reading skills:

94% felt it was critical to get books in the hands of children.

96% are concerned or very concerned about how to motivate students to read during this time, and felt parents and educators need resources to support reading motivation.

96% stated it is important or highly important to get resources to help parents to engage children in reading at home.

"When adults read with children, they provide an opportunity to practice word reading and interaction with printed text around letters and sounds. They also share 'book-language,' which is higher in sentence complexity and academic content vocabulary than everyday conversations and oral storytelling," Johnson.



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The committee's recommendations would then go to the supervisors, who would decide whether or not to add a question to the ballot for EMA funding, including the purpose and how funds would be raised. That could be done with one of or a combination of a property tax levy of up to 75 cents per $1,000 of valuation, or an increase in local sales tax.

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contaminants and were accepted by the DNR.

The City faced no fines, but was required to let customers know about the violation.

The letter said that in the future weather conditions will be considered when sending samples and the City will contact the lab to make sure samples arrived in proper condition.

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Since the public hearing held on February 22, the commission has received maps and recommendations from NIACOG (the North Iowa Council of Governments), which has been hired to consult on the expansion of zoning.

The commission presented NIACOG with how they wished to establish initial zoning designations in areas that are currently not zoned. The commission asked NIACOG to use a combination of clear land uses, such as quarries and other industrial or commercial property, and assessor's office information on how parcels are classified.

All parcels in the unzoned areas will be designated as an agricultural land use, with the exemption of those listed by the commission and NIACOG.

Any land owner that wants to change the land use designation can go through the process with the commission or with a permit in the future. The permit process would only be necessary for those that want to expand or change their zoning designation for their land use.

That information will be shared in a letter that is being sent to all rural land owners in the unzoned townships. The letter will discuss the process so far and information on the process of expanding zoning across the county. It will also provide a list of parcels that will not be zoned as agricultural following the potential countywide zoning. That information will also be shared on the county's website, online at www.worthcountyiowa.gov.

Another public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 29, at 7 p.m. at the Kensett Community Center, to give the public a chance to weigh in with the commission one more time.

After that hearing, the commission will meet again to consider whether to make an official recommendation for expanded zoning to the supervisors, and, if so, what the process should be and what the designations should be for those currently unzoned areas.

If the recommendation is made, the supervisors will then consider whether or not to proceed with making countywide zoning official, in a process that will include additional hearings and discussion.

Democratic convention set for March 26

The Worth County Democratic Convention will be held on Saturday, March 26, 2022, at the Worth County Democratic Headquarters located at 812 Central Ave., Northwood. Registration will be at 9:30 a.m. and the convention will start at 10 a.m.

This is the gathering of all delegates and alternates elected at the county caucus.

The Worth County Democratic Party will be accepting resolutions put forth, and electing chair, vice chair, secretary and precinct chairs at this meeting. They will accept sign ups for the committee positions. They will also elect delegates to attend the district convention set for April 23 (location to be determined) who will be elected from the delegates and alternates that attend the meeting.

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property tax revenue will increase in the proposed budget, compared to re-estimated figures for the current fiscal year's budget.

In the proposed budget, an excess of the City's expenditures will outpace revenue, for an overall decrease in the City's fund balance at the end of the coming fiscal year.

The City of Northwood's levy rate will decrease from $11.64511 per $1,000 of valuation during the current fiscal year to $10.97453 for the fiscal year that begins on July 1. That is a decrease of $0.67058 per $1,000 of taxable valuation.

The taxable valuation of property in the city, combined with the levy, determines the amount of property tax revenue the city receives in a fiscal year.

Re-estimated figures for the City's budget for the current fiscal year called for $676,672 in property taxes. The proposed budget for the next fiscal year includes property taxes levied of $680,371. That is an increase of $3,699, or 0.55%.

When combined with other sources of revenue, the City of Northwood has budgeted for total revenue for the next fiscal year to be $4,679,649, which is an increase of $1,407 or 0.03% over the current year's re-estimated budget revenues of $4,678,242.

The City's expenditures for the coming fiscal year are projected to decrease, according to the proposed budget.

Expenditures in the coming fiscal year will total $3,999,449, down $11,525 or 0.29% from $4,010,794 in the current fiscal year.

The City's proposed budget projects that at the start of the fiscal year, on July 1, 2022, the City of Northwood will have a beginning fund balance of $2,517,621. The budget shows an estimated ending fund balance on June 30, 2023, of $2,507,821. Over the course of the year, according to the coming fiscal year's proposed budget, the city will take in $9,800 less than it spends, a fund balance decrease of 0.39%.

The Northwood City Council will hold a public hearing to discuss the proposed budget at its regular meeting on Monday, March 14, at 6 p.m.

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Worth County Historical Society meets on March 15

The Worth County Historical Society will meet on Tuesday, March 15, at 9:30 a.m. at the Northwood Museum. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Elk Creek soup supper March 27

The Elk Creek Lutheran Church WELCA annual soup supper will be held on Sunday, March 27, from 5-6:30 p.m. The church is located at 4108 Killdeer Avenue, west of Kensett.

The meal will include chili, chicken noodle and cream of potato soups, as well as French bread, crackers and pie.

The cost of the meal is $8 for adults, $5 for children 5-10 and free for children younger than five.

Take out orders will be available. Those that would like to attend may call 641-845-2386.

The soup supper will also include a bake sale featuring homemade cookies. Quilts will also be available for purchase.

Clean up days begin April 27

The City of Northwood will hold its annual spring clean up days from April 27-30.

The City will provide dumpsters for Northwood residents at the city yard, located east of the railroad tracks, along Highway 105.

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

More information on the annual spring clean up week will be available in coming issues of the Northwood Anchor.

Council discusses city ordinance review process

The Northwood city council will soon begin the process of reviewing and updating the city's ordinances, to make changes based on situations from past months and to address any other outdated terms.

The process has been considered for some time, particularly as discussions have brought to light that some aspect of city ordinance is out of date or does not meet the current needs of the city.

The most recent example is the push to enforce parking in the city. The process outlined in the city code created questions that needed to be addressed and could be solved with an updated ordinance.

Other updates discussed in the recent past include the rental inspection process and whether or not a historical preservation committee, not currently in operation, but outlined in city code, is needed.

To make those and other more technical changes, the council agreed that a small committee made up of two council members, other city officials as relevant and a consulting agency or firm should work to make sure everything meets official requirements and city needs.

The last time a similar process took place was 10 years ago.

Council members Teresa George-Zenz and Dave Tenold agreed to work on the committee.

The City will approach potential consulting firms to guide the process, at a projected cost of roughly $8,000.

Once the review is complete, the updates to the City's ordinances will come to the council for approval.

Worth representatives seek re-election to Iowa legislature

Two legislators representing Worth County at the state level have announced their plans to seek re-election.

Jane Bloomingdale, Republican, of Northwood, announced last week that she plans to seek re-election to represent the newly formed District 60 in the Iowa House.

The district includes Worth County, as well as all of Mitchell and portions of Cerro Gordo and Floyd counties.

Bloomingdale will be running to serve a fourth term in the Iowa House.

Also seeking re-election is Waylon Brown, Republican, of Osage. Brown is seeking to represent Iowa Senate District 30.

District 30 includes Worth, as well as Mitchell and Cerro Gordo and a portion of Floyd counties.

Brown has served in the Senate since 2016.

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Sticking to it

One Northwood-Kensett Elementary classroom recently turned into a fashion studio. While other designers settle for cloth and thread, these artists had a more convenient clothing material for their inspiration. The students took part in the "Wearable Duct Tape" challenge. They had to use duct tape to create a piece of clothing. From shoes to shirts, to jackets to purses to hats, the sticky material proved to be a stylish and successful for the student tape tailors.



Worth moves to medium COVID level as two more lost

Two weeks ago, the CDC revised its process for determining the risk level for counties in the U.S. Based on the new formula, Worth County moved into the medium risk level last week with one of the lowest levels of new cases since early in the pandemic.

The new CDC formula uses the new cases in a week, out of a population of 100,000. With a population of 7,381, and four new cases the figure that is the primary CDC consideration for Worth County was at 54.2 cases out of a population of 100,000. That put the county into the lower of the considerations for community level.

However, the other considerations are based on hospital utilization. While no specific hospitalization data is available for Worth County residents, neighboring counties with hospitals that would take Worth County residents with COVID-19 showed COVID admissions and/or the percent of inpatient beds occupied by COVID patients at levels that put Worth in the medium community level range.

At the medium community level, the CDC recommends that those at high risk talk to a health care provider about the need for masks and other precautions and that everyone stay up to date with vaccines and get tested if they have symptoms.

The number of new COVID cases was one of the lowest since the first cases began to appear in Worth County in the spring of 2020.

Between February 23 and March 2, there were 4 new cases of COVID-19 reported in Worth County, for a new total since the pandemic began of 1,748.

Unfortunately the same could not be said of the number of those lost to the virus, with two new deaths reported in the county in the past week, for a new total of 14.

For the eight county region that includes Worth County, there have been 513 deaths. That was up 7 since February 23.

For the region that includes Worth and the seven bordering counties, there have been a total of 45,113 COVID-19 cases reported by state agencies. That is up 224 in the past week, from the total as of February 23. That includes 2,935 in Winnebago, 2,822 in Hancock, 11,018 in Cerro Gordo, 3,502 in Floyd and 2,454 in Mitchell counties in Iowa, and 8,911 in Freeborn and 11,723 in Mower counties in Minnesota.

According to the CDC, 3,803 residents of Worth County had been fully vaccinated, for 51.5% of the total population. That is up 7 Worth County residents since February 23.

CDC numbers show that 4,057 Worth residents have received at least one dose of vaccine, for 55% of the population. That is up 4 since February 23.

In the county, 1,332 of those 65 and over were fully vaccinated, 86.2% of that population. Of that age group, 1,395, or 90.3% have had at least one dose.

Of those 18 and over, 3,562 have been fully vaccinated, for 60.9% of that population. Of those, 3,791 have received one dose, for 64.8%.

Of the 12 and over age group, 3,734, or 58.5% have been fully vaccinated. Of those 12 and older, 3,981 or 62.4% have received at least one dose.

Of those 5 years and older in Worth County, 54.6% have been fully vaccinated and 58.3% have received at least one dose.

Of those fully vaccinated in Worth County, 2,104, or 55.3% have received a booster dose.

Other counties in the region have vaccination rates that include 51.8% in Winnebago, 49.2% in Hancock, 62.6% in Cerro Gordo, 52.5% in Floyd, 48.5% in Mitchell, 56.9% in Freeborn and 61.6% in Mower counties.

Across the region, 57.5% of the total population has been fully vaccinated.

Information and COVID-19 can be found 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.

March is Problem Gambling Awareness Month

The Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH), in collaboration with the National Council on Problem Gambling (NCPG), recognizes March as Problem Gambling Awareness Month (PGAM).

Throughout March, a wide range of stakeholders, including public health organizations, prevention and treatment providers, advocacy groups and gambling operators work collaboratively to let people know that hope and help exist for problem gambling. Groups nationwide will hold conferences, air Public Service Announcements, provide counselor training, host health screening days and implement social media campaigns to increase public awareness of problem gambling and the availability of prevention, treatment and recovery services.

The PGAM theme for this year is "Awareness +Action" and participants are encouraged to use the hashtag #PGAM2022 on social media platforms.

Problem gambling is defined as all gambling behavior patterns that compromise, disrupt or damage personal, family or vocational pursuits. Approximately 2 million U.S. adults (1% of the population) are estimated to meet criteria for severe problem gambling. Another 4-6 million (2-3%) meet the criteria for mild or moderate problem gambling.

The Office of Problem Gambling at IDPH raises awareness about the availability of gambling prevention and treatment services offered statewide. "Iowans who are impacted by problem gambling are encouraged to visit Your Life Iowa to learn more or to connect with a qualified professional. Help and hope are only a call, text, or chat away," said Katie Bee, Project Director of the Office of Problem Gambling at the Iowa Department of Public Health.

If you have questions you'd like answered, support and assistance is available through Live Chat, by calling 1-800-BETS OFF, or by texting (855) 895-8398.

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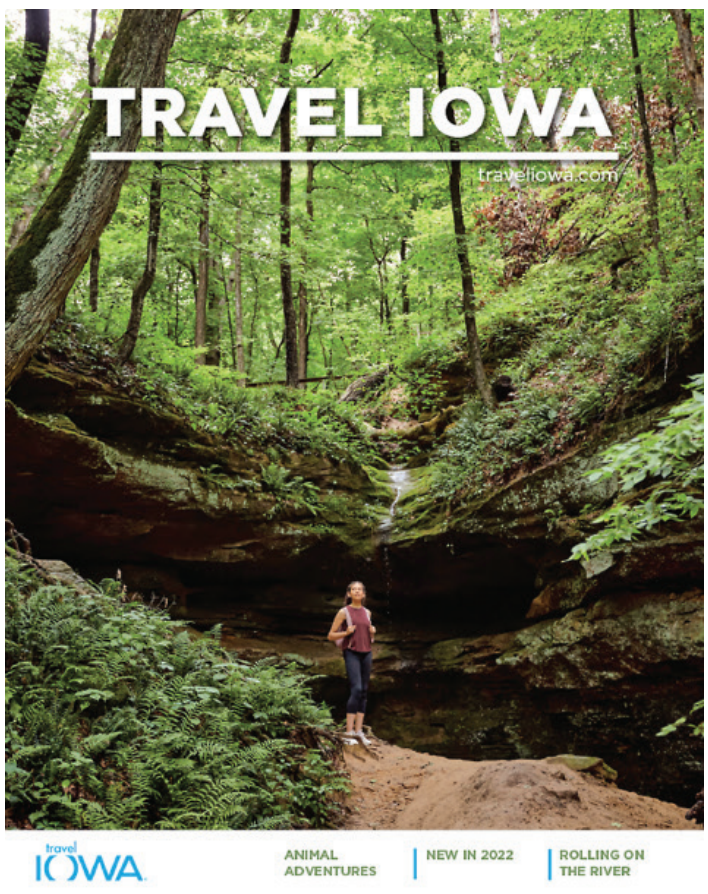
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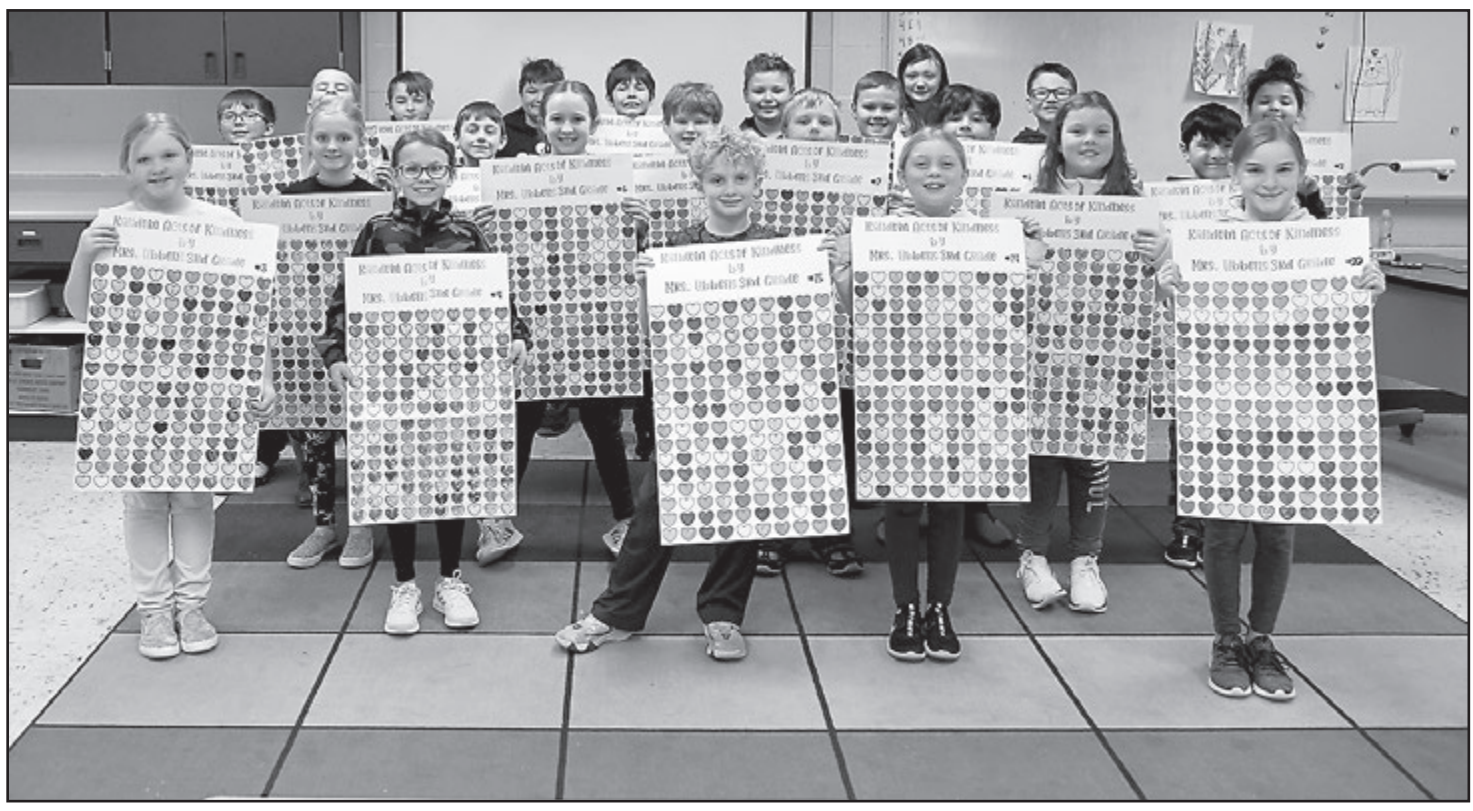
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Charting contributions of kindness

Students in Mrs. Ubben's third grade class at Northwood-Kensett are pictured with posters covered with the helping hearts that they have earned as they made their worlds better with random acts of kindness. Stickers have been added as each student completes acts that have included cleaning their room, helping Mrs. Ubben in the classroom and any other display of kindness. Each heart chart pictured above holds 160 hearts and the students had filled 21 posters by the early weeks of February, with more to come. The daily record was 88 acts.

Spring/summer Iowa travel guide features Worth spots

The spring/summer edition of the Iowa Travel Guide is now available to inspire travelers who want to plan their Iowa road trip. The free 140-page guide can be ordered online at traveliowa.com, by phone at 800.345.IOWA or picked up at any of Iowa's 14 Welcome Centers. An online version is also available.

The guide showcases Iowa's authentic and unexpected destinations, animal adventures, distilleries, historic theaters, water trails, what's new in 2022 and road trips. Campgrounds and cabin listings are also included. The guide's cover features Wildcat Den State Park near Muscatine.

The guide includes several Worth County destinations. That includes Silver Lake County Park as a camping destination. Other Worth County spots listed in the guide are the Diamond Jo Casino, Top of Iowa Welcome Center and Worth Brewing Company.

"All signs are positive for a great spring/summer travel season," said Amy Zeigler, state tourism manager for the Iowa Tourism Office. "A recent study from Longwoods International showed 90% of American travelers plan to travel in the next six months. According to Arrivalist's Daily Travel Index, road trips are up in Iowa nearly 15% comparing 2022 to 2019. In fact, between January 19 and February 16, Iowa had the second-highest road trip recovery rate in the country."

The Iowa Tourism Office, part of the Iowa Economic Development Authority, works closely with community partners, attractions and events, to promote the state's beautifully vast scenery and unique history. Tourism in Iowa generated $1.5 billion in tax revenues in 2020, with more than $860 million supporting state and local governments, while employing a total of 60,218 people statewide. For more information on everything Iowa has to offer tourists, visit traveliowa.com.

Emerald ash borer discovered in Ida and Sioux counties

Emerald ash borer has been found in Ida and Sioux counties for the first time. The invasive, ash tree-killing insect from Asia has now been confirmed in all but 13 of Iowa's 99 counties since its original detection in 2010. Worth is one of the counties where the pest has been found.

EAB larvae were removed from ash trees in Galva (Ida County) and Sioux Center (Sioux County) by an Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship employee. Officials with the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service confirmed the identification of the larvae.

The adult beetles of this insect feed on ash leaves causing very little damage. It is the cumulative damage by larval feeding on the inner bark that eventually kills ash trees. The feeding cuts off the tree's ability to transport water and nutrients, typically killing a tree within two to four years. EAB is a significant threat to all ash species.

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

While EAB can travel locally by natural means, long distance spread of this insect is attributed to people moving infested material, including firewood. People are reminded to use locally-sourced firewood where it will be burned to help limit the spread of EAB and other invasive pests.

Now is the time to decide a course of action for ash trees at risk of EAB attack (within 15 miles of a known infestation). Landowners and managers can choose to wait and see what happens, remove declining ash trees and replace them with other species, or use preventive insecticide treatments to preserve and protect valuable and healthy ash trees. Spring, from mid-April to mid-May, is the best time to treat for EAB. Insecticides are most effective when the ash tree is actively growing, and uptake is at its peak. Tree service companies can apply insecticide trunk injections through the summer if soil moisture is available.

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

The State of Iowa continues to track the spread of EAB on a county-by-county basis. Before a county can be declared positive, a life stage of the insect must be collected and confirmed. Anyone who suspects an infested ash tree in a county not currently known to be confirmed with EAB is encouraged to contact one of the following:

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

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

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

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

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A household is defined for the purposes of the Lifeline program as any individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Lifeline service is not transferable, and only eligible consumers may enroll in the program. Consumers who willfully make false statements in order to obtain a Lifeline discount can be punished by fine or imprisonment and can be barred from the program.

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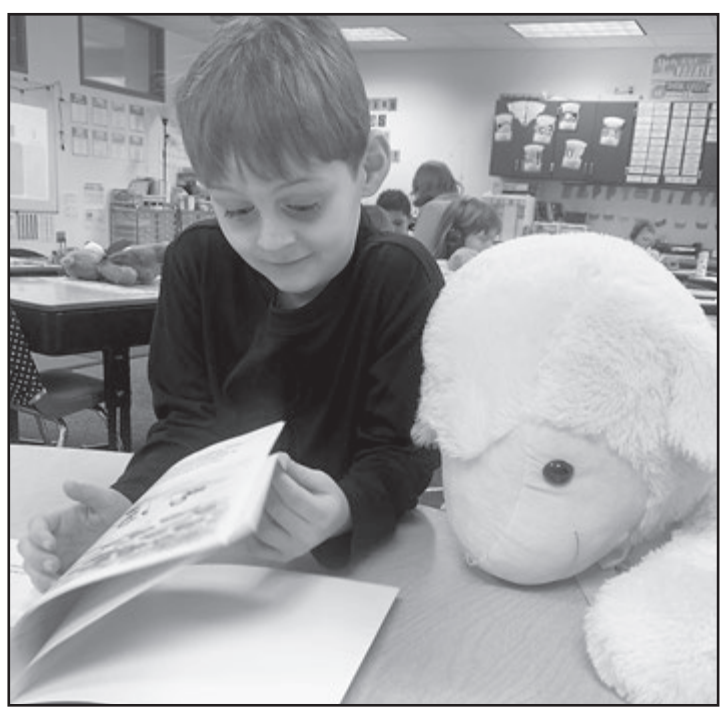
A plush reward

Students in Miss Hemann's first grade class at Northwood-Kensett Elementary recently welcomed some special companions to the classroom. The students earned an incentive day in the classroom. After displaying good behavior in class and throughout the school, the students were invited to bring a favorite stuffed animal to class with them for an entire school day. The class is pictured at right with their plush pals and below accompanied by them throughout activities during the school day.









Meet the mayor- Rick Scholbrock

Winn-Worth Betco spotlight

By Kaylee Schuermann
Winn-Worth Betco marketing assistant

Hanlontown mayor Rick Scholbrock has been serving his town since 1995 and is looking to stay through his 30th anniversary.

Scholbrock got his start in politics when the previous mayor convinced him to join the city council. He participated for two years before being encouraged to take over as mayor.

"I like the little town," said Scholbrock. "I always have. I've learned a lot of things; I've seen it grow, and I've seen it dwindle... I don't want to see someone come in and destroy good things."

However, roughly six years ago, Scholbrock decided it was time to retire as mayor. He claimed to have remained as such for six months before returning to office to repair damaged relationships.

During the day, Scholbrock works as a welder for Winnebago Industries and runs his side business, Kids Power Pedal Tractor Pulls.

Scholbrock feeds his passion for motorsports and collects diecast model cars in the little free time he does have. His collection consists of roughly 700 dirt late model cars and 400 NASCAR models. According to his diecast car dealer, Scholbrock has one of the country's top five dirt car collections.

Before Scholbrock settled down and started a family, he spent much of his time attending races. Here, he began collecting body panels, tires and other racecar parts, as well as race banners from all over the country.

Since he started his first term as Hanlontown mayor, Scholbrock has faced some challenges, including maintaining young members in the fire department and battling housing shortages, both of which he is still facing head-o.

Scholbrock's favorite part of his job as mayor has been growing closer to the community and making close friends through the years.

Scholbrock believes that "everyone should spend at least two years on city council" to gain awareness and knowledge of their communities just as he did long ago.

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Week 8: child care, veteran support, college visitors



Jane Bloomingdale
Iowa House
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WEEK EIGHT

Last week was full of debate and many noncontroversial bills were passed on the House floor and sent to the Senate. This week more of our time was spent amending bills that were kept eligible in committee, knowing they need a little work before they would be ready for floor debate. Although we only debated one day, we passed bills to increase access to child care, support Iowa veterans and support our restaurants.

Child Care

A big part of tackling the workforce crisis means increasing access to child care, but child care facilities have a workforce shortage of their own. This week, we passed two bills to help child care providers increase access to care for more families. House File 2127 allows parents to pay the difference between Child Care Assistance rates and the rates charged to families who do not receive CCA. This bill will allow flexibility between parents and providers to help raise the income of child care providers, and allow more providers to accept child care assistance. House File 2198 allows 16 and 17-year-olds to provide child care to school-aged children in a child care center without supervision. Both bills came as recommendations from the Governor's Child Care Task Force which includes representatives of businesses, local elected officials, in-home and in-center providers, and nonprofit organizations.

Unanimous Vote to Support Iowa Veterans

The Iowa House unanimously passed legislation that will result in more support for veterans here in Iowa. Bills passed would allow for greater flexibility in the state's investment strategy to help grow the Veterans Trust Fund, a fund used to improve the quality of life for our Iowa veterans. HF2293 increases the amount sent to the Commission of Veterans Affairs by $300,000 annually.

Supporting Restaurants

HF 2408 requires an agreement between a restaurant and third-party delivery platform service before the platform can begin making or delivering orders to the restaurant. It also includes protections for the restaurant so its menu, likeness, etc. cannot be taken and used without its consent. This also includes consumer protections to ensure the food is delivered safely from the restaurant to the consumer.

Running for Re-election

This week, I announced my bid for re-election to the Iowa House. It is an honor to serve as our State Representative and I truly appreciate the opportunity the people of HD 51 have given me to represent us in the Iowa House. Under the newly confirmed redistricting maps, I will run for House District 60 in 2022. HD 60 includes all of Worth and Mitchell counties as well as the Western portions of Cerro Gordo and Floyd Counties.

This week I had an opportunity to visit with Veterinarians from across the state, supporters of biofuels, environmental advocacy groups, and we had Community College Day on Thursday. It is always good to see Dr. Wee (NICC President), Dr. Schulz (NIACC President), and students from their schools. Our community colleges do a great job providing post-secondary educational opportunities including career and technical degrees or the first step to a bachelor's degree. Also, enjoyed going to the dome with several students from both schools.

Grants available to communities impacted by emerald ash borer and 2020 derecho

The Iowa Legislature appropriated state infrastructure funds to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to be used for a community-based tree planting program for derecho recovery tree planting. Additionally, through the USDA Forest Service and National Association of State Foresters 2021 State Urban Forest Resilience Grant Program, the Iowa DNR received funds for emerald ash borer reforestation.

The Community Forestry Grant Program provides reimbursable grants ranging from $500 to $5,000 to be used for the purchase and planting of trees suitable to Iowa on publicly owned lands. Qualifying public planting lands include, but are not limited to, street right-of-ways, parks, school grounds, courthouse lawns, public buildings, fairgrounds, cemeteries, libraries and trails. Award recipients are required to provide a dollar-for-dollar cash match for purchase of trees and materials from Iowa businesses.

More than $21,000 in matching funds will be made available to local governments, schools and service organizations in the 27 Iowa counties included in the Governor's Derecho Disaster Proclamation, as well as $50,000 in matching funds available to local governments, schools and service organizations in the 84 counties with confirmed Emerald Ash Borer. That includes Worth County.

The application and rules are available online at www.iowadnr.gov/urbanforestry. Applications are due by March 30.

NIACC presents 'Rent' on Sunday, March 13

Drs. Beck, Bhangoo, & Ondoma: Neurosurgery of North Iowa, P.C. presents Rent at the North Iowa Community Auditorium on the NIACC campus at 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 13, 2022. This presentation is part of the 2021-2022 Performing Arts and Leadership Series.

For a quarter of a century, Jonathan Larson's Rent has inspired us to choose love over fear and to live without regret. This Tony Award and Pulitzer Prize-winning phenomenon follows a year in the lives of a diverse group of artists and friends struggling to follow their dreams without selling out. It has become more than a musical – it's a cultural touchstone, a rite of passage and a source of joy and strength for millions. Rent has become a part of us forever.

Tours of Rent have criss-crossed the country almost continuously since 1996, with the latest tour alone playing five countries, 237 cities, and 1,005 performances. Rent received its



world premiere off-Broadway at New York Theatre Workshop on February 13, 1996 to ecstatic reviews and transferred to Broadway on April 29, 1996. Rent won the 1996 Tony Award® for Best Musical as well as the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. The musical has been translated into every major language and has been performed in 27 countries across six continents.

Based on original direction by Michael Greif (Tony and Drama Desk Nominations, RENT), Evan Ensign re-stages the 25th Anniversary Tour. Original Broadway creatives Marlies Yearby (Choreography) and Angela Wendt (Costume Design) are joined by Jonathan Spencer (Lighting Design), Keith Caggiano (Sound Design), Dave Pepin (Music Supervisor), Owen Johnston (Associate Choreographer), and Matthew E. Maraffi (adapting original scenic design by Paul Clay) to make up the creative team for the tour. Casting for the tour is by Wojcik | Seay Casting.

Whether you've never seen Rent or have completely lost count, you can't miss it this time around – the 25th Anniversary "Farewell Season of Love" is your FINAL CHANCE to experience this celebrated touring production.

The Rent 25th Anniversary Farewell Tour is produced by Work Light Productions, whose other touring productions this season include the 2016 Olivier Award-winning production of Jesus Christ Superstar, a new production of An Officer and a Gentleman, and the First National tour of Ain't Too Proud – The Life and Times of The Temptations.

Please note, all guests (over the age of three), staff, and volunteers are required to wear a mask regardless of vaccination status. Other mitigation efforts may also be in effect. Please visit www.niacc.edu/pals or call the Box Office to stay apprised of our most recent policies.

More information about the show is available by visiting www.rentontour.net or watching a video at www.niacc.edu/palvideos.

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Someone recently remarked, in jest, that he was going to Hell after telling a joke that was a bit indelicate, even if it wasn't exactly blasphemous. His remark got me thinking about the ultimate destination of our souls, and what we ought to think and profess about that. There are some who say we should profess a high degree of certainty about going to heaven, perhaps in the hope that believing it strongly enough might make it true, or perhaps just in the hope that we can raise the bar a bit on our morals by professing that we are future saints. St. Paul tells us that we are saved by faith rather than by works, but he is quick to add that we shouldn't boast. (Romans 3: 26-27) Who is so sure of their own faith, after all? Isn't it God's job to examine our hearts and decide whether we are going to heaven or not, and isn't the more humble approach to say that we just don't know, and should not presume to decide for God? It certainly isn't obvious that any of us deserves eternal bliss, or that our professions of faith will grant us instant entry into heaven. Since all have sinned and fallen short, perhaps the more honest and humble approach would be to say that we just don't know where we're going, but that we certainly hope we're going to heaven. – Christopher Simon

They have all fallen away; they are all alike depraved; there is none that does good, no, not one. – Psalm 53:3

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Bulwer Lytton, Edward Robert



by Sandy Olson

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

Back in the day...actually back in the 90s....I joined an online cookbook collectors' group called CookbooksEtc. Members were from all over America and we had great fun exchanging recipes and actually meeting face-to-face for "conventions" that lasted 3-4 days. A few weeks ago I came across a pack of recipe cards that I received at one of these meetings where everyone was asked to bring her favorite dish on a card to exchange. So, these recipes are not from a traditional cookbook but they ARE tried and true dishes from friends I no longer see. The group dissolved although a few of us keep in touch even 20+ years later.

Honey Sesame Pork Tenderloin
(Monita Olive, San Pedro, CA)

1 small pork tenderloin, whole, about one pound
1/2 cup soy sauce
2 cloves fresh garlic, minced
1 tablespoon fresh grated ginger OR
1 teaspoon ground ginger
1 tablespoon sesame oil
1/4 cup honey
2 tablespoons brown sugar
4 tablespoons white sesame seed

Combine the soy sauce, garlic, ginger and sesame oil. Place the tenderloin in a zip-top plastic bag and pour the soy sauce mixture over to coat. Marinate 2 hours up to overnight in the refrigerator. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees. Remove pork from the marinade; pat dry. Mix together the honey and brown sugar on a plate. Place the sesame seed on a separate plate. Roll the pork in the honey mixture, coating well. Then roll in the sesame seed, patting so they stick to the meat. Place in a shallow roasting pan and roast for 20-30 minutes or until the internal temperature registers 160 degrees F. Remove to a serving platter, let rest for 5 minutes, then slice thinly to serve.

Upside-Down Pizza
Nova Bruner, Omaha, NE

1 pound lean ground beef
2 cups shredded Mozzarella
1 medium yellow onion, chopped
1 cup grated Parmesan cheese
1 jar (15 oz.) good spaghetti sauce
1 package crescent roll, 8 count
Small package pepperoni slices

Brown the ground beef and onion in a heavy skillet; drain off any grease. Add the spaghetti sauce. Stir well and pour into the bottom of a 9x13-inch baking pan. Put a layer of pepperoni slices over the sauce. Sprinkle both cheeses over the sauce but reserve about 1/4 cup of the Parmesan. Open the tube of crescent rolls and lay them on top of the cheese, pinching the seams as much as possible to make a big sheet of dough. If they break apart during baking it doesn't matter as this dish will be spooned out of the pan rather than cut like a pizza. Sprinkle with the reserved Parmesan and bake for about 15 minutes or until the rolls are browned and cooked through. Good served with a green salad.

Savory Crescent Chicken Squares
Kim Vengler, Ft. Worth, TX

1 package (3 oz.) good quality cream cheese, softened
3 tablespoons real butter, softened
2 cups cooked, chopped white meat chicken
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
1 tablespoon chopped fresh or freeze-dried chives
1 tablespoon chopped pimiento
1 tube (8 oz.) refrigerated crescent rolls
3/4 cup crushed seasoned croutons

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Blend the cream cheese and 2 tablespoons of the butter until smooth. Mix in the chicken, salt, pepper, chives and pimiento. On a baking sheet, separate the crescent dough into 4 rectangles, pressing the perforations firmly to seal. Spoon 1/2 cup of the chicken mixture onto each rectangle Pull the 4 corners of each rectangle up to the top, twist slightly and seal the edges. Brush with the final tablespoon of butter, melted. Sprinkle with the crushed croutons. Bake for 20-25 minutes or until golden brown.

Browsing through these recipes cards brought back bitter-sweet memories of friendships found and lost. Several people have died; others have been MIA for years. I'll share more of these special recipes with Anchor readers in the months to some. And... that's all she wrote.



TruStile donates to Northwood Library

Shown here is Justin Mayer, with TruStile, presenting a check to Morgan Johnson, director at the Northwood Public Library, for sponsoring the upcoming Summer ISU Insect Zoo "Bring Those Bugs Inside."

Handeland, new director for The Community Kitchen and Meals On Wheels

The Community Kitchen Board of Directors has selected Karen Handeland to be the next Executive Director of The Community Kitchen of North Iowa, Inc., and the Mason City Meals On Wheels programs. She replaced retiring Director Amanda Ragan effective January 1.

"I am very excited to be the next Community Kitchen and Meals On Wheels Director. These are very important local programs which are on the forefront of providing food to hungry people who need our support," Karen said.

"Amanda has built both programs on a sound footing, in mission accomplishment, volunteer support, equipment upgrades, and financial stability. Those are vital to our success as Meals begins its 52nd year of providing meals and The Kitchen celebrates 40 years of feeding the hungry in 2022," she said.



Karen Handeland is the new Director of The Community Kitchen of North Iowa and Mason City Meals On Wheels programs. (Photo Provided by Community Kitchen)

"I originally became connected with The Kitchen as a volunteer earlier this year. During that time, and now recently learning the requirements of the Directorships, I have been tremendously impressed with the volunteers I have met who make both programs work for the betterment of our communities. They are so selfless in their dedication to helping others. It is amazing what they can accomplish," Karen continued.

The Community Kitchen serves noon meals Monday through Saturday, and evening meals Monday through Thursday each week. Meals On Wheels works to provide meals to those who need them all year long. To volunteer to help fight local food insecurity, contact The Kitchen at 424-2316.

Trust works here: Nurses rank highest in honesty and ethics among professionals in United States

Nurses are the most trusted professionals in the United States, the top-rated profession for the 20th year in a row. That's according to Gallup's annual rating of honesty and ethics in various professions, with 81% of those polled showing very high trust in nurses.

Gallup says "Nurses have topped the list all but once since being added to Gallup's annual rating of professions in 1999. That was in 2001, when they were displaced by firefighters -- who earned an all-time-high honesty score of 90% when they were included on a one-time basis in the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks."

Three of the top five most trusted professions are in the medical field, with medical doctors ranked second and pharmacists ranking fourth.

"Our colleagues have shown a personal commitment to our Mission by the care and compassion they provide to each person we serve," said Bob Ritz, President and CEO of Mercy-One. "While this last two years have tested everyone, our colleagues and nurses never wavered. They were not just the caregiver, they also maintained their commitment to our Mission through their hands, hearts, and eyes -- serving each person."

NCIGS holds meeting on March 12

North Central Iowa Genealogical Society will hold a meeting on "Memorabilia: What time period is it from?" this Saturday, March 12, at 1:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 75 S. Georgia Ave., Mason City, Iowa.

"Learn what clues to look for in dating photographs, military items, passports and other old items.

"Bring along some items to see if it can be determined of their age. Who knows maybe a person will be able to identify a long, lost relative."



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Savvy Senior

Super cheap smartphone plans for scrimping seniors

Dear Savvy Senior,

Can you direct me to some really cheap wireless smartphone plans for seniors who don't use much data? I use my smartphone primarily for texting and talking but need some data for checking my email and a few other things when I'm away from Wi-Fi. Right now, I pay $30 per month but am looking for a better deal.

Senior Scrimper

Dear Scrimper,

There are several super cheap wirelesses providers I can recommend for older smartphone users who are looking to save money by paring down their cell phone plan. Here are three of the cheapest options available that you can switch to without sacrificing the quality of your service.

Cheapest Wireless Plans

For extremely light smartphone data users, the very cheapest wireless plan available today is through Tello (Tello.com), which lets you build your own plan based on your needs or budget. For as little as $6 per month you can get unlimited texting, 100 minutes of talk time and 500 megabytes (MB) of high-speed data. Increases in talk time or data can be added in $1 increments.

Tello uses the T-Mobile network and gives you the option to bring your existing phone or purchase a new device, while keeping your same phone number if you wish. If you want to keep your phone, it must be unlocked. Just enter your phone's ID (press *#06# on your keypad to get it) on Tello's website to make sure that it's compatible with the network.

Another super cheap plan to consider is the annual prepaid plan offered through Boost Mobile (BoostMobile.com). For only $100 per year (or $8.33 per month) this plan provides unlimited talk, text and 1 gigabyte (GB) of 5G or 4G data each month. If you need more data, their $150 annual plan (or $12.50/month) gets you 5 GB.

Boost Mobile uses the T-Mobile and AT&T networks and lets you use your existing phone (if compatible) or buy a new one.

And a third option to look into is Mint Mobile (MintMobile.com), which is recommended by Consumer Reports and has one of the best values for a cheap plan. Mint offers a $15 per month plan (plus taxes & fees) that provides unlimited talk and text, and 4 GB of 5G/4G data each month. They too use the T-Mobile network and will let you use your existing phone (if compatible) or buy a new one.

Lifeline Program

If your income is low enough, another option you should check into is the Lifeline Assistance Program. This is a federal program that provides a $9.25 monthly subsidy that could go towards your phone or internet service.

To qualify, you'll need to show that you're receiving certain types of government benefits such as Medicaid, SNAP (food stamps), SSI, public housing assistance, veterans' pension and survivors' benefit, or live on federally recognized Tribal lands. Or, if your annual household income is at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines – $17,388 for one person, or $23,517 for two – you're also eligible.

To check your eligibility or apply, visit LifelineSupport.org. If you do qualify, contact a wireless provider in your area that participates in the Lifeline program and sign up for service with them. You can also ask your current company to apply your Lifeline benefit to a service you are already getting, if it offers the benefit.

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

I accomplished a great deal yesterday.

What did you do?

I got a year older.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Deep thoughts occur as I drive past his drive. The sun-ripened snow welcomed spring, but only spring knows when it will reveal itself. I ate at a cafe I'd never visited before because I'm in the Fatuous Diner Relocation Program. The eatery was in a city small enough its motto could be, "We have a water tower." A couple of patrons were drinking aggressive coffee. I love small towns, but the best place to eat in many of them has been reduced to the only business having a microwave.

A few days later, I was in Fayette, a lovely city in northwest Iowa, with a population of 1,256 people and the Volga River winding its way through town. It has a college, Upper Iowa, but no high school. We were early for a basketball game, so I parked in front of a thrift store. In we went. It was like being transported back in time by a time machine. I enjoy thrift store books and there is an odd comfort to the stuffed attic smell most stores have. This store was staffed by friendly ladies and exhibited many items that would have been definite upgrades to what I own. The store offered many electrical devices capable of flashing "12:00," clothes (including shirts with someone else's name on them), macrame projects, knickknacks, geegaws, curios, doodads, tchotchkes, bowling trophies and books. I couldn't find a book that floated my boat despite my shopping motto, "It's 50 cents, take a chance." My fussiness was influenced by the towering piles of books in need of reading at home. Speaking of 50 Cent, I saw one of his CDs available for only—no, that would have been too good. It was $1 and I passed on it without a second thought. My son bought remarkable (to him) CDs and my wife found a few baubles. Our basketball team won. Life was good.

Money laundering

A man in a dark suit and a flat-brimmed hat balanced his opened valise on a portable tripod stand, revealing cakes of soap wrapped in plain paper to anyone walking Denver's busy streets. Soapy Smith removed $1 to $100 bills from his wallet and wrapped them around a few bars of soap before enclosing the money-wrapped soap bars with plain paper. He mixed those bars with others and offered the soap for $1 to $5 a bar. A few individuals quickly purchased bars, ripped the wrappings off and displayed the $100 bills they'd received. They bragged loudly about beating the soap man at his own game. Those individuals were accomplices of Smith. Enticed by the success of the shills, people bought the wrapped bars, none of which contained anything other than soap valued at about a nickel. Smith ran scams until killed in a shootout in Skagway, Alaska.

Ask Al

"When is the best time to go to Disney World to avoid crowds?" 1961.

"Why aren't you on Facebook?" I'm in the control group.

"Where is Walla Walla?" Between Ting Tang and Bing Bang.

The bad joke department

The man was wearing a loaf of bread on his head. He was on a loaf hat diet.

He had a Ph.D. in palindromes. He is Dr. Awkward.

Why did the accountant cross the road? To bore the people on the other side.

I wonder

Is it because the best things in life are free that the worst things cost so much?

Shouldn't the word "efficient" have only one "f"?

Why don't I hear the word "ubiquitous" more often?

Nature notes

What is a hoot owl? It could be any owl that gives a hoot. The distinctive call of the barred owl is "Who cooks for you? Who cooks for you all?" It's commonly called a hoot owl.

It's sprinter. Part spring, part winter. Chickadees, nuthatches, jays and some woodpeckers cache food. The success of this scatter-hoarding depends on the birds' spatial memories to find cached food.

"How did a Eurasian collared-dove end up in my yard?" The chunky, sandy-gray bird with a black collar was brought to the Bahamas in the 1970s. Escapees from pet shops there found their way to Florida in 1982. Their goal was to make it to your yard. They were first seen in Minnesota in 1998 and were in Alaska by 2006.

Meeting adjourned

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."—Dr. Seuss. Be kind.

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Fit to print...

Iowa History Month offers opportunities to dig into past

By Michael Morain
Iowa Culture Wire

If you really want to understand Iowa, you have to explore it from the ground up. You have to get up close and personal.

"We're not flyover country," said Pamela Riney-Kehrberg, who teaches history at Iowa State University. "The problem with looking at everything from 30,000 feet is that you miss out on the texture. You miss out on the detail. You miss out on the people, the places, the moments that really make history come alive."

So every March, during Iowa History Month, the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs invites Iowans to zoom in and discover something new about the past. The annual tradition offers a chance to learn about earlier Iowans who have influenced their communities, their state, their country and, in many cases, the entire world.

The State Historical Society of Iowa, a division of the department, has lined up an array of in-person and online programs for all ages. Iowans and others can tune in to online presentations, take part in activities for families with children, discover materials in the new Iowa History Collection Catalog and take guided tours at the State Historical Museum of Iowa in Des Moines.

This year Iowans can also see a pop-up display about "Iowa's People and Places," which the state museum sent to all 99 counties to mark Iowa's 175th statehood anniversary. Schools, libraries, museums, and other organizations across the state are hosting their own history events to join the month-long celebration.

"Every small town and big city in Iowa has its own story to tell," said Michael Plummer, who leads the Local History Network, a statewide program the State Historical Society created to connect more than 200 community-history groups to resources and professional expertise. "Iowans tend to be pretty humble, but throughout our history, every county has had its share of colorful characters and dramatic turning points."



Of course, the value of history extends beyond community pride. As Thomas Jefferson noted, an "informed citizenry" is essential to a functioning democracy.

Stefanie Wager of Grimes, who recently served as president of the National Council for the Social Studies, challenged the popular notion that those who don't study history are doomed to repeat it.

"Historians will argue that point, but there are patterns," she said. "We want people to recognize those patterns and make connections between the past and present."

She added that examples from state and local history show how grassroots efforts can build momentum for national progress. Women's suffragists who marched in Boone helped pave the way for the 19th Amendment. Civil Rights activists in Des Moines and Waterloo helped set the stage for Martin Luther King Jr.

"That's why state and local history is so important," she said. "When people feel more connected to their communities, they're more likely to engage in that community, more likely to volunteer and take care of it. The history connection to that is often overlooked, but it's a huge part of civic engagement."

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Early Files

100 years ago

March 8, 1922

The high school basketball team closed the season in a rush by winning two games. The Friday previous they beat Manly by the one-sided score of 28 to 12. On Tuesday evening Clear Lake was beaten on the local floor 18 to 14 with Lande out of the lineup. Wednesday evening the locals journey to Kensett and took the long end of a 26 to 16 score.

There was not room for half of the vast congregation that gathered at the Northwood Lutheran Church to attend the funeral services of the late Hon. Albert L. Thompson, a former Northwood lawyer and banker, who died. He lived in Mahnomen, Minnesota, for years. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Thompson of Northwood.

Several friends of Mr. and Mrs. Carl T. Rone were entertained at a costume party. The costumes dated back to the 80s and hoopskirts, long trains, tight basques and an abundance of old fashioned jewelry were much in evidence.

More than usual interest was manifested in the nomination of candidates for city offices this year, the joint caucus at the courthouse being attended by approximately 275 persons, some of whom did not vote. Results of the vote was E.M. Sabin, 177, and O.A. Bosserman, 67. Councilmen, treasurer and assessor were also nominated.

On February 6 the annual meeting of the Farmers Butter and Cheese Association was held in Northwood and officers elected were: Geo. Bolton, president; John Tenold, vice; Iver Iverson, treas.; Oliver Knutson, sec.; and directors, Albert Enerson, Lafe Wright, L.T. Flatness, O.S. Vinje and F.H. Sandman.

On February 27 about 35 friends and neighbors gathered at the Helmer Harmon farm southeast of town, and gave Mr. Harmon a surprise. The hours were passed all too quickly with games and cards in before departing. The guests presented the host with a sum of money, wishing him many happy returns of the day.

75 years ago

March 6, 1947

L.F. Madson, who for nearly 50 years has been prominent in the electric light and power business in Northwood, has resigned as manager of the Northwood office of the Peoples' Gas & Electric Co. of Mason City, it was announced this week by Charles E. Strickland of Mason City, president and general manager of the company.

Surplus Iowa potatoes are now being offered for sale as livestock feed at one cent a 100 weight, it is announced at Des Monies. The sales, in carload and truckload lots, are reportedly being made in six north central Iowa counties, Worth, Winnebago, Hancock, Kossuth, Emmet and Buena Vista. Most of the surplus government potatoes in this county were raised in the Goose Lake peat bed area near Hanlontown.

John Larson of Gordonsville, hale and hearty at 84 years of age, still chops his fire wood each day and lives alone at his home in Gordonsville. In Northwood Mr. Larson said he was feeling fine and enjoying life to the utmost. A resident of Freeborn County for nearly 70 years, Mr. Larson came to this country from Norway when 15 years old.

The Des Moines Register and Tribune this month has added recognition to the previous University of Iowa and Iowa Press Association various awards of merit and two silver cup testimonials to the newspaper qualities of The Northwood Anchor and its makers.

Sixty persons, including members of the local Future Farmers of America chapter, their fathers and a few invited guests enjoyed a banquet and program in the dining rooms of the Synod Lutheran church. The dinner was served by the Ladies Aid. Warren Williams, president of the chapter, gave the welcome to the members and guests, which was followed by a talk by Supt. Prehm and a few brief remarks by Everett Frink, local advisor of the group.

50 years ago

March 9, 1972

Kensett Brownie Girl Scouts open their meeting with a flag ceremony at the home of their leader, Mrs. LeRoy Kester. The girls participated in the Girl Scout Week on March 12-18 and hold a family night with the theme "VIPs in Scouting" on March 16. Participating in the ceremony were Jody Fretty, Carol Heagel, Teresa Gordon, Jodie Branstad and Tamra Bergdale.

Sergeant Steven J. Slininger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Myrl C. Slininger, Kensett, has arrived for duty at MacDill AFB, Fla. Sergeant Slininger is a communications equipment repairman with a unit of the Air Force Communications Service, which provides global communications and air traffic control for the USAF. He previously served at Son Tra, Vietnam. The Sergeant is a 1969 graduate of Randolph High School.

Dr. W. Robert Parks, president of Iowa State University, will speak on the topic "Iowa State, '72" at the North Iowa I.S.U. alumni meeting in Mason City on March 1. The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn. Following the banquet an award will be made to the outstanding North Iowa alumnus, election of officers and executive committee members. Reservations should be made with the area Extension office in Mason City by March 15.

Navy Petty Officer Third Class Rodney Methus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon E. Methus, Northwood, was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal during ceremonies aboard abroad the amphibious landing ship USS Dubuque, home-ported at San Diego. He was cited for his outstanding work aboard the Dubuque when the ship was operating with the U.S. Seventh Fleet in the Western Pacific from April to October 1971. He is a graduate of North Central High School, Manly.

25 years ago

March 5, 1997

Showing off the "Invent, Iowa 1997" handiwork they recently completed are Northwood-Kensett sixth graders Tyson Robb, Lindsey Rathbone, Michelle Hrubetz, Katie Venechuk, Rodney Skellenger, Dustin Wagner, Nicole Sanderson, Jennie Tenold, Jason Johnson and Matt Borcherding. N-K's top inventions will be displayed in the regional "Invent, Iowa" convention to be held on March 15, at Southbridge Mall in Mason City.

Worth County Sheriff Dave Gentz and deputy Chris Boyden have their hands full of the "Helping Hugs" teddy bears that were recently placed in county and city squad cars to comfort kids in crisis situations.

Members of Julia Reese's Northwood-Kensett kindergarten class walked downtown to the post office to learn a little about operations there and to post a few cards and letters to select relatives and friends. Here, postmaster LeRoy Bruns makes sure the youngsters put their outgoing mail in the correct slot before conducting them on their special tour of the facility.

The Northwood FFA received $610 when Dow-Elanco sales representative Mark Fischer and Northwood Ag Products owner Mark Fett presented a check for that amount to chapter officers Kevin McNutt and Dustin Ford. The check represents the 61,000 pounds of Lorsban Northwood Ag sold in 1996 under Dow-Elanco's "Safety Cents" promotion, which provided local FFA chapters one penny for each pound of the insecticide sold by local dealers.

The fall semester Dean's List at Gustavus Adolphus College has been released. The list is comprised of more than 400 students who have earned a 3.70 grade point average for the semester ending in December. Honored from this area is Stephanie Kabe, daughter of Roger and Nancy Kabe, Northwood.

10 years ago

March 7, 2012

Kenny Quam accepted a plaque and statue from Brad Yeager, third vice president of the Iowa Fire Association, at the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company meeting.

Northwood-Kensett Elementary students and staff celebrated the birthday of Theodor Geisel, aka Dr. Seuss, with a number of activities. That included a special game show held, where Peter Julseth, elementary chef, tested his knowledge of Geisel's work with a Dr. Seuss edition of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?" Julseth won, to the excitement and cheers of the elementary audience in attendance. Julseth promised to donate his six-figure winnings, from Dr. Seuss State Bank, back to the school.

A nearly full day of rain, combined with frozen ground and sitting ice and snow, led to some considerable flooding in some areas of Northwood. That included this area, across the street from the Northwood-Kensett High School campus, one of several areas which held standing water nearly the length of an entire block.

The Northwood-Kensett cheerleaders gave a $635 check to Kory Olson at the sports banquet. The cheerleaders earned the money to donate to the N-K Track and Field Complex.

Volunteers and supporters of the Relay For Life of Worth County took part in a kick off for this year's American Cancer Society fundraiser. The event was an opportunity for team members, survivors and anyone else interested to learn more about the various aspects of the annual Relay. A short program also introduced this year's honorary chairpersons, Polly Schiltz and Margie Butler, and provided information on ACS services supported by the Relay.

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Obituaries

Ernest Hanson



ERNEST HANSON

Ernest Clarence Hanson, 95, of Northwood passed away on February 26, 2022.

He was born on August 2, 1926, in Albert Lea, Minnesota to Emil and Clara (Kvale) Hanson and grew up on the family farm in Brookfield Township in Worth County with siblings Elmer and Grace. After graduating from Northwood High School in 1943, Ernie was inducted into the Army on December 7, 1944, and served in the Philippines and Japan as a cook and mess sergeant until honorably discharged on November 15, 1946.

Ernie began renting and farming the family land. He met his future wife, Erma Dieterich of Toeterville, while dancing at the Terp Ballroom in Austin, Minnesota, in May 1947. They were married on March 27, 1949, and raised three children, Bev, Lonna and Ron. The farm was bought from Ernie's father in 1954 and feedlots and raising cattle began in 1956. He enjoyed buying cattle year-round at sales in Waukon, Decorah and South St. Paul.

His Army experience helped make early beef producer banquets a success as he cooked and organized meals and was the original treasurer. Ernie and Erma were inducted into the Worth County Cattlemen's Hall of Fame in 2008. He was a township trustee, served on local election boards, 12 years on the Northwood Elevator board (President and VP) and was also a member of Bristol and then Sion Lutheran Church and sang with the choir for many years. Ernie was a Brookfield Township 4-H leader and during the Worth County Fair, his roles would include working with county extension, weighmaster and ear tagger for youth cattle projects.

He enjoyed talking with people; pancakes, Norwegian foods, Culver's fish sandwich and the casino buffet; dancing to waltzs and polkas with Mom and watching Mollie B Polka Party (and meeting Mollie in 2018); the playing card game 3-13 with family and two different games of solitaire every night; and reading local newspapers and farm magazines. Ernie had a great memory of family, friends and neighbors' stories and was very proud of the Hanson Heritage Farm Award (150 years) in 2017.

The past three years he called The Pines Assisted Living "Home" and greatly appreciated the wonderful care and friendships of staff and residents!

Survivors include, Bev (Roger) Dant of Forest City, Lonna Wantland of Chariton and Ron (Cindy) Hanson of Raleigh, N.C.; grandchildren, Dan (Jessica) Dant, Luke (Melissa) Dant, Molli (Jason) Noel, Ben Wantland and Ryan (Kaitlin) Hanson; great-grandchildren, Mariah and Elena Dant, Finn, Ike, Adeline, Nels and Noah Dant, Kaid, Levi and Jude Noel and overdue baby boy Hanson; along with nieces, nephew, other relatives and friends.

Ernie was proceeded in death by his wife, Erma (2010); parents, Emil and Clara; brother, Elmer (Julia); sister, Grace (Palmer) Heltne; Erma's parents, Ervin and Ella Dieterich; nephews, Jerry Hanson and Everett (Kathy) Hanson; and son-in-law, Larry Wantland.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Peace & Power (1st Lutheran Albert Lea), the Eagles Cancer Telethon, the Pines Assisted Livingsdfasdf or the charity of your choice.

Zachary 'Zach' Stapelkamp



ZACHARY STAPELKAMP

Zachary (Zach) Steven Stapelkamp, loving father, son, brother, grandson, nephew and friend to all whoever met him, took his life on February 17, 2022.

the beloved son of Eric and Carrie Stapelkamp was born on September 27, 1992, in Mason City, Iowa. Zach lived in Cresco with his parents and sister Zoie, until August 2006. He graduated from Northwood-Kensett in 2011. He moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado in the spring of 2013 with his cousin, Andy Stapelkamp. About a year later he moved back to Northwood, so he was closer to his family.

Over the years, Zach had miscellaneous jobs around the area. The jobs he enjoyed most were farming and lawn care. Zach battled addiction as a young man. In the fall of 2016, Zach took his life back from the addiction that had consumed him. Over the years, Zach would continue to battle his addictions. It was one heck of a roller coaster ride, but Zach came out on top from the addiction. On December 2016, Zach moved to Frontenac, Kansas, with his mom, dad and sister. While he lived in Kansas, he worked at a motorsports store and as a table game dealer at a casino. His most recent "job" was being a stay at home dad to his son, Daniel, his "Little Burrito."

Who was Zach Stapelkamp? Zach was the kindest soul you would ever meet. Zach was a "Big Teddy Bear" and gave the best "bear" hugs. He was always the first to spark a conversation and the conversations always ended up being pure laughter. He had a contagious smile and booming laugh that lit up any room he was in. He was the perfect gentlemen, the first to hold the door for others. Some people in his circle would refer to him as an "old soul;" but this was meant in a good way, not a mean or derogatory way.

Manners were extremely important to him, please and thank you were a must. He was always the first to say, "I love you" and he'd say it every time he'd leave or go to bed. He was a champion dad joke teller and had the best one-liners. Zach embodied a wittiness and dry sense of humor that you either got it, or you didn't. He would laugh regardless.

He was truly one of a kind.

Zach was a protector from the time he was a young boy until his passing; especially when it came to his family. Bullying was not allowed or tolerated in any fashion. Recently becoming a father, he already was the best dad to his son, Daniel. As a young child, Zach loved his time hunting turkey and pheasant with Grandpa Duerre and the crew. When it came to deer hunting, Grandpa Stapelkamp and their crew were the group you'd find him with. Recently, Zach had been talking about getting back into hunting and teaching little Daniel-they were already watching hunting videos together.

Unfortunately, Zach had demons that plagued him, but he is now at peace. His light was extinguished way too soon. He has left us all broken and lost, mourning another good soul gone too soon. "You're Not Alone" Suicide Prevention Hotline 1-800-273-8255. If you, or anyone you know, is suffering; please reach out to them and provide them this number. All it takes is one phone call to save someone's life.

Our hearts are broken and will never fully heal. The questions will always be there with never the right answers. Now we must celebrate a life taken too soon. Share Zach's story as our own. Look to those people who may need our help. We must be present. We must be outgoing. We must be like Zach, bigger than life and share our smile and laughter.

Zach's survivors include his son, Daniel Steven (Little Burrito); parents, Eric and Carrie Stapelkamp; sister, Zoie Stapelkamp; Zach's special friend and mother to Daniel, Izabella Larson and her daughter Layla; and grandparents, Bucky and Terry (Herold) Duerre; and Wayne and Evelyn (Peterson) Stapelkamp. Aunts, uncles, and cousins include Andy (Missy), Mason (Kim) Ivy, McKena Duerre, Matt (Lindsey), Tahlia, Boden, Korbin Duerre, Dan, Payge (Conway), Lawson (Olivia) Duerre, Brian (Kate), Marijo Stapelkamp, Neal (Lori) Stapelkamp, Jennifer (David), Evelyn, Zayne, Gabriel Nitschke, Andy (Angie), Brecken Stapelkamp, Nikki (Derrick), Ryan, Lauren, Raelynn, Jaxon Fortney, Collin (Raven), Kaydence, and McKenna Lais and Keri Lais; along with several great-aunts, uncles and cousins from the Stapelkamps, Duerres, Herolds and Goschs.

Zach is proceded in death by his great-grandparents, Orvie and Fran (Bohr) Herold, Thomas and Edith (Welti) Duerre, Henry and Esther (Elton) Peterson and George and Winnie (Nagle) Stapelkamp; great-uncle, John Gosch; and cousin, Bill Gosch.

I see a Blue El Camino traveling a gravel road. Zach is sitting in the passenger seat with the biggest smile. He looks towards the driver, an older man with a pencil drawn mustache and toothpick in his mouth looks back. "Let's get us some trout!"

A memorial service was held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 24, 2022, at Notre Dame Catholic Church in Cresco, Iowa. Visitation was held from 4-7 p.m. prior to services on Thursday evening. Lindstrom Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

ACT to perform thriller 'Deathtrap' on March 17-26



Albert Lea Community Theatre (ACT) continues its 56th season with the drama "Deathtrap" at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center, March 17–26.

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

Cast members are Kurt Crocker, Risha Lilienthal, Aaron McVicker, Bev Loos and Jon Cochran.

"Deathtrap," directed by George Favell, will be performed at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center in downtown Albert Lea on March 17-20 and 23-26. Shows start at 7:30 p.m., with the Sunday, March 20, matinee at 2 p.m.

Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for students. Tickets may be purchased over the phone by calling 1-877-730-3144 (service fees apply), online at actonbroadway.com or at the box office. Tickets also are available at the Albert Lea Convention & Visitors Bureau.

This play contains adult themes, violence and some strong language. There are also instances of strobe lights and gunshot sound effects.

Bolan

The Bolan Trinity UM Women met late Monday afternoon, February 28, at the home of Sue Cowell.

The ladies of the Bolan Trinity UMW who were able to attend World Day of Prayer held on Friday afternoon, March 4, at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Manly were June Erdmann, Bev Lucas and Linda Nydegger. The program this year was prepared by the WDP Committee of England, Wales & Northern Ireland and the World Day of Prayer USA Committee. It was taken from Jeremiah 29: 1-14 "I Know the Plans I Have for You." It was very well presented by the ladies of the Church, plus a delicious lunch was served afterwards.

Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LAUREEN CATHRYN WUBBEN,
Deceased
Probate No. ESPR009305
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Laureen Cathryn Wubben, Deceased, who died on or about the 14th day of February, 2022.

You are hereby notified that on the 21st day of February, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Laureen Cathryn Wubben, deceased, bearing date of the April 22, 2021, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Michael D. Wubben was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is 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 1st day of March, 2022.

Michael D. Wubben
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Attorney for Executor

Date of second publication the 16th day of March, 2022.
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Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET E. BARTNESS
Deceased
Case No. ESPR009308
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested In the Estate of Margaret E. Bartness, Deceased, who died on February 12, 2022.

You are hereby notified 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 undersigned with proof of delivery, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this 3rd day of March, 2022.

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Distributor for Estate

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Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BONNIE J BREVIG,
Deceased
Probate No. ESPR009306
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Bonnie J. Brevig, Deceased, who died on or about the February 10, 2022.

You are hereby notified that on February 28, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Bonnie J. Brevig, deceased, bearing date of the March 24, 2005, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Jody Brandt and Lisa A. Brevig have been appointed Executors of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is 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 28, 2022.

Jody Brandt
4448 Westwood Dr.
West Des Moines, IA 50265
Executor of the Estate

Lisa A. Brevig
601 Ash Street
P.O. Box 87
Kensett, IA 50448
Executor of the Estate

John H. Greve
ICIS#: 000001969
P.O. Box 167
Northwood, IA 50459
Attorney for Executor

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City of Kensett

The Kensett City Council met in special session 2/28/22 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor C. Pulju presiding. Council Members present were Woltzen, Parker, Heiken & Douglas. Absent: Pilkington. Mayor opened Public Hearing for Max Levy Resolution #639. There being no public input, motion to approve said Resolution by Woltzen, 2nd by Douglas, Roll Call Vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously. Mayor closed public hearing. Motion to adjourn by Parker, 2nd by Douglas, carried unanimously.

Carrie Hagen, City Clerk
Corey Pulju, Mayor

3/4/22, 2:37 PM — Local Government Property Valuation System

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET
Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023
City of: KENSETT

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Budget at: Kensett City Hall Meeting Date: 3/21/2022 Meeting Time: 07:00 PM
At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of , any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the City Clerk and County Auditor.
City budgets are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals.

The Budget Estimate Summary of proposed receipts and expenditures is shown below. Copies of the the detailed proposed Budget may be obtained or viewed at the offices of the Mayor, City Clerk, and at the Library.

The estimated Total tax levy rate per $1000 valuation on regular property 11.35159

The estimated tax levy rate per $1000 valuation on Agricultural land is 3.00375

At the public hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget.

Phone Number (641) 845-2388 — City Clerk/Finance Officer's NAME Lori J. McNally

		Budget FY 2023	Re-estimated FY 2022	Actual FY 2021
Revenues & Other Financing Sources				
Taxes Levied on Property	1	80,440	80,103	71,159
Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Net Current Property Taxes	3	80,440	80,103	71,159
Delinquent Property Taxes	4	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	0	0	0
Other City Taxes	6	31,738	27,129	38,066
Licenses & Permits	7	105	245	445
Use of Money and Property	8	34,967	33,258	8,663
Intergovernmental	9	70,426	67,598	30,644
Charges for Fees & Service	10	99,035	95,957	96,228
Special Assessments	11	0	0	2,660
Miscellaneous	12	590	500	47,822
Other Financing Sources	13	0	0	0
Transfers In	14	0	0	75,154
Total Revenues and Other Sources	15	317,301	304,790	370,841
Expenditures & Other Financing Uses				
Public Safety	16	10,686	9,658	9,654
Public Works	17	79,464	55,040	97,678
Health and Social Services	18	0	0	0
Culture and Recreation	19	64,302	60,134	41,034
Community and Economic Development	20	0	0	0
General Government	21	87,148	86,815	100,888
Debt Service	22	0	0	0
Capital Projects	23	0	0	0
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	241,600	211,647	249,254
Business Type / Enterprises	25	75,701	74,095	93,194
Total ALL Expenditures	26	317,301	285,742	342,448
Transfers Out	27	0	0	75,154
Total ALL Expenditures/Transfers Out	28	317,301	285,742	417,602
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	0	19,048	-46,761
Beginning Fund Balance July 1	30	261,767	242,719	289,480
Ending Fund Balance June 30	31	261,767	261,767	242,719

Supervisors

February 28, 2022
Ninth Day

The Worth County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment with Mark Smeby, Enos Loberg and A.J. Stone, present. All members voting "AYE" unless noted.

Meeting called to order by Smeby, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve today's agenda and minutes from February 22, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to accept the Engineer's Report for Proposed Open Ditch Repairs on Upper Goose Lake Drain, Drainage District No. 72. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to set hearing date for the Engineer's Report for Proposed Open Ditch Repairs on Upper Goose Lake Drain, Drainage District No. 72 on April 25, 2022 at 9:30 A.M. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to approve Merlin Bartz as Board Appointed Appraisers and Reclassification Commissioners for DD #46 Lat 9, DD 72 and DD 32. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve claims in the amount of $64,643.79, as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

911 Custom, Service-Shf.... 739.00
Alliant Energy
Service-Eng 12,997.72
Aramark, Service-Eng 170.29
Bice Electric Llc
Service-Gsr 205.00
Centurylink, Service-911 ..... 73.80
City Of Fertile, Rutf-Eng 1,578.19
City Of Grafton, Rutf-Eng . 943.32
City Of Hanlontown
Rutf-Eng 407.81
City Of Joice, Rutf-Eng... 1,013.37
City Of Kensett, Rutf-Eng . 508.88
Crittenton Center
Service-Juj 186.60
D & L Equipment
Parts-Eng..... 175.53
Falkstone Llc, Rock-Eng..... 46.26
Ia Secretary Of State
Notary-Shf..... 30.00
Ia State Sheriffs & Deputies Association, Edu-Shf..... 425.00
Isaac Hovey, Safety-Eng.... 150.00
J & J Machining Welding & Fabricating, Service-Eng 2,541.32
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf..... 76.51
Kruger Electric Llc
Service-Sdp..... 122.00
Labor Law Center Inc
Supplies-Gsr..... 428.25
Lake Mills Pump Service
Service-Con..... 456.00
Lawson Products Inc
Supplies-Eng 271.26
Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Dap 148.13
Mediacom, Service-Gsr 264.90
Napa Auto Parts
Parts-Eng..... 9.27
Peopleservice Inc
Service Wat & Wwt..... 17,063.00
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc
Service-Gsr 54.08
Safety Solutions
Service-Eng 500.00
Scp, Supplies-Eng 345.00
Thomas Reid, Reimb-Vaf... 659.80
Trading Post
Supplies-Eng 130.10
Vanguard Appraisals Inc
Service-Asr 21,810.60
Worth County Engineer
Fuel-Ema 112.80
Grand Total 64,643.79

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to approve salary change to $21.70/hour for Rick Anderson as submitted by the sheriff. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve the Class C Liquor License for the Diamond Jo Worth, LLC. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to acknowledge and place on file the manure managment plan for CJ Pork, LLP for Norske 3 facility #69958 and Summit Pork III LLP for E & F Site facility #63402. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to adopt a resolution for acceptance of merger of Worth County into the Iowa Finance Authority Certification of the NIACOG Housing Trust Fund as a Funded Housing Trust Fund. Roll call: Stone-aye; Loberg-aye; Smeby-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2022.02.28

ACCEPTANCE OF MERGER OF WORTH COUNTY INTO THE IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY CERTIFICATION OF THE NIACOG HOUSING TRUST FUND AS A FUNDED HOUSING TRUST FUND

WHEREAS, the NIACOG Housing Trust Fund, Inc. (NIACOG HTF) is an established Local Housing Trust Fund (LHTF) serving Cerro Gordo and Floyd Counties; and,

WHEREAS, Homeward Inc. will no longer serve as an established LHTF for Franklin, Hancock, Kossuth, Mitchell, Winnebago, and Worth Counties upon completion of the 2022 funding year; and

WHEREAS, creating a joined Local Housing Trust Fund (LHTF) that is certified by the Iowa Finance Authority to receive funding, would permit NIACOG HTF to assist families under the State Housing Trust Fund for the entire 8-county region; and

WHEREAS, beginning January of 2023 the State Housing Trust Fund dollars will be administered by the NIACOG HTF under the direction its Board of Directors, and NIACOG staff will provide day-to-day management that target the needs of the residents of respective counties;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Supervisors of Worth County hereby agree to the merger with NIACOG HTF and their existing certification as an Iowa Finance Authority funded agency, as related to the State Housing Trust Fund,

Signed this 28TH day of February, 2022.

Mark Smeby, Chairperson
Worth County Board of Supervisors

Attest: Jacki A. Backhaus, Worth County Auditor

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to adopt a resolution to approve the ISAC Group Benefits Program 28E Agreement. Roll call: Stone-aye; Loberg-aye; Smeby-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2022.02.28.02

To Approve the ISAC Group Benefits Program 28E Agreement

WHEREAS, the Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) Group Benefits Program, a Chapter 28E organization, has adopted a 28E Agreement for its group health and related benefits program, for the purpose of providing group health and related benefits for employees of participating entities.

WHEREAS, the County of Worth desires to adopt the 28E Agreement for health and related benefits for eligible employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Worth County Board of Supervisors that the County desires to adopt the 28E Agreement for the ISAC Group Benefits Program;

Approved by the Worth County Board of Supervisors on February 28, 2022.

Mark Smeby, Board Chairperson
ATTEST: Jacki A. Backhaus, Worth County Auditor

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to adopt a resolution to cancel automatic renewal of operation and maintenance agreement with PeopleService, Inc. Roll call: Stone-aye; Loberg-aye; Smeby-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2022.02.28.03

WORTH COUNTY

Resolution to Cancel Automatic Renewal

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WORTH COUNTY IOWA TO CANCEL AUTOMATIC RENEWAL OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, Worth County, Iowa (the "Owner"), whose address is 1000 Central Avenue, Northwood, Iowa 50459 and PEOPLESERVICE, INC., and its successors and assigns ("PeopleService"), whose address is 209 South 19th Street, Suite 555, Omaha, Nebraska 68102-1758 entered into an Operation and Maintenance Agreement (the "Agreement") dated as of 12/27/2011 and renewed on 06/05/2017.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms in Article V of the Agreement, this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect until June 30, 2022.

WHEREAS, the Agreement shall automatically renew for successive terms of one (1) year each unless written notice of cancellation is given by either party to the other no less than ninety (90) days prior to the date of expiration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Owner shall exercise its right to cancel the automatic renewal pursuant to the terms in Article V of the Agreement, effective June 30, 2022. The Auditor is here by directed to send written notice to the President of PeopleService Inc. advising them that Worth County is exercising their right as referenced above.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 28TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2022.

WORTH COUNTY IOWA

ATTEST:
Mark Smeby
Board of Supervisors Chairperson
Jacki A. Backhaus
County Auditor

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to to set first date to consider a resolution to declare Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to be an Essential Service in Worth County, Iowa as authorized by Iowa Code Section 422D.1 on May 9, 2022. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to adjourn at 9:01 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Mark Smeby, Chairperson

Northwood Anchor
Legal

City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on 2/28/22 at 6:00 pm with Mayor Moehle presiding and the following council members present:

George-Zenz, Peterson, Nerlien, Reeder, Tenold.

Motion to approve the agenda. Unam.

Motion to approve the following under Consent Agenda: Council Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2022; Set Spring Clean-up Days April 27-30, 2022. Unam.

Motion to support the Shellrock River Watershed Management Coalition with a $500 donation. Unam.

Motion to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

Notice

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION TO DECLARE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TO BE AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE IN WORTH COUNTY, IA.

The Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa, will meet at 8:30 a.m. on May 9,2022, in the Worth County Courthouse, Northwood, Iowa for the first of three consecutive, weekly meetings to consider a resolution by Worth County to declare emergency medical services (EMS) to be an essential county service as authorized by Iowa Code Section 422D.1. At that time and place, the proposal to consider an adoption of a resolution that will allow for an election to be offered for voter approval of an ad valorem property tax not to exceed seventy-five cents per one thousand dollars of assessed value or a state income surtax or a combination of the taxes for EMS and the creation of a county emergency medical services system advisory council to assist in researching and assessing the service needs of the county and guide implementation of the same under Iowa Code Section 422D.1. By order of the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa. Jacki A. Backhaus Worth County Auditor.

PROFESSIONAL CARD
Business Announcements

VETERINARIAN
WORTH COUNTY
VETERINARY SERVICE
Michael E. Dierenfeld, D.V.M.
Clinic: 324-1084
Home: 324-1147

PHYSICIANS
MERCYONE
803 9th Avenue North
Northwood, IA 50459
641-324-1221

NORTHWOOD INSURANCE AGENCY
John Midtgaard, Agent
900 Central Ave., Northwood, IA
Office 641-324-1023 Home 324-1391

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Regular meeting each Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
Beginners/12 Step meeting 7:30 p.m. Thursday
First Lutheran Church
For more information call 324-3070

Congregate Meals
MEALS ON WHEELS
324-1244

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Northwood, Iowa 50459

Northwood Anchor Obituaries

Jay White

Jay D. White, 81, of Grafton, passed away on Saturday, February 12, 2022, at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center.

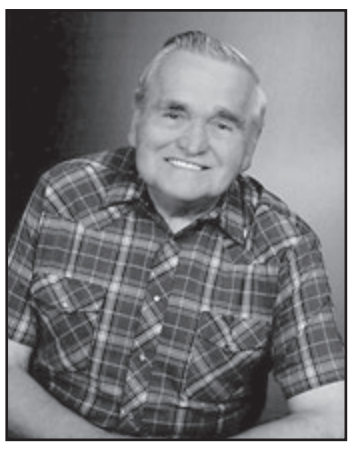
A Celebration of Life Service was held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2022, at Schroeder & Sites Funeral Home, Northwood. Visitation was from 5 – 7 p.m. on Wednesday, February 16, 2022, at Schroeder & Sites Funeral Home in Northwood.

Jay was born on March 14, 1940, to Vern and Ellie (Schmidt) White. He graduated from Grafton High School in 1959. Jay's number one passion was farming. After graduation, you could find Jay farming alongside his dad. He farmed in the Grafton area his whole life until retirement in 2010. After retirement he helped others with planting and harvesting.

Jay had many side jobs throughout his life. Jay worked on the Milwaukee Railroad and spent numerous hours working alongside his brother, Art, on various carpentry projects. He drove school bus, always greeting the kids with a smile. He drove LP gas trucks for Thermogas, Worth County Co-op and Dan Warrington. He was a member of the Grafton Volunteer Fire Department.

He married the love of his life Jeanie Bork on August 26, 1961. Two beautiful daughters were born to this couple, Sandi and Cindi. They grew up listening to their dad whistling and singing with a smile on his face.

Jay loved his Allis Chalmers tractors. He collected many models and was especially proud of his WD45 Diesel. He enjoyed tractor rides with Glen Wilde and Donnie Bottleman and their daughters Marcie and Tara. He also collected Allis Chalmers Toy



JAY WHITE

Farm Equipment.

He participated in the older men's softball league, bowling league and pool league.

Jay was an avid camper, taking the family with friends every weekend to various campgrounds, where he found pleasure in drinking bloody marys and making fried potatoes for breakfast. He loved camping so much, he even went as far as turning his yard into a campground for all to enjoy.

During the winters, Jay could be found snowmobiling with friends, family and the "Thunder Chickens" club. At Christmas time he enjoyed going with a group of friends on their annual Candy Run and taking his family in the van and bus to see the area Christmas lights.

He loved his golf outings, dressing up for St. Patrick's Day and Halloween with his family, happy hour at the Gobblers Roost, eating and karaoke at Carpenter Bar & Grill, breakfast with family and friends, fishing trips to Canada, watching westerns on TV and grilling turkeys for Grafton Turkey Days.

In 2008 he traded his camper for a cabin on the Cedar River where weekends were spent with family and friends pontooning, playing yard games, watching outdoor movies and sitting by campfires while telling stories and laughing. Many friendships and memories were made that he held close to his heart.

But most of all he loved being with his beloved family. His face would light up and he was always smiling brightly around them. Vacationing with his whole family gave him the most happiness. From fishing in northern Minnesota, houseboating on the Mississippi, exploring the mountains in Colorado and Tennessee, visiting numerous theme parks in the U.S. including Florida and Wisconsin, the Bayou of New Orleans, all the way to the Caribbean Sea. All of these trips meant the world to Jay.

Jay was a man of few words but his smile said it all.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Vern and Ellie White; parents-in-law, Alvin and Vivian Bork; sisters, Marjorie and Dorothy; brother, La Vern; sisters-in-law, JoAnn White, Susie White and Beverly Johanson; and brothers-in-law, Forrest Urbatsch, Keith Bork, Richard Bork, Reubin Arzberger and Arlo Johanson.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Jeanie; daughters, Sandi (Johnny) Duvall and Cindi (John) Mausehund; special daughter, Kelli (Mike) Hemann; grandchildren, Josh (Chelsea) Duvall; Tristan Hanson (Sammy), Dexter (Ashley) Duvall, Jayden Mausehund; great-grandchildren, Mackenzi Duvall (Caleb), Madalynn Hanson, Jaxon and Silas Duvall and Tucker, Ryder and Zander Duvall; brother, Art White; sister, Gloria (Rube) Robeoltman; brother-in-law, Alvin "JR" (Deanna) Bork; and extended family and friends, especially his "adopted" son Joe Warrington.

Barbara 'Barb' Demaray

Barbara A. Demaray, 89, of Northwood, passed away at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center in Mason City, Iowa, on Thursday, February 10, 2022.

Per Barbara's wishes her body has been cremated and the family will hold a memorial service at a later date.

If friends would like to share a memory they are welcome to do so on Barbara's "Barb's" Tribute page on ColonialChapels.com.

Barbara was born in Shreveport, Louisiana, where she graduated high school and secretarial school. After marrying and having her first daughter, she moved to St. Louis, Missouri. There she worked as an executive secretary for Monsanto Company and had her second daughter. From there she moved to Atlanta, Georgia, where she worked as an executive secretary for Lockheed Martin and



BARBARA DEMARAY

had both of her sons. After living a short time in South Dakota, the next move was to Omaha. Barbara worked in the office of the Anesthesiology department at the University of Omaha Medical Center. Eventually, she landed in Clear Lake, where she worked as a secretary and office manager for a local property management company before relocating to Northwood. Barbara spent the last 27 years in Northwood making memories with friends and family.

Barbara was a member of Mason City Seventh-Day Adventist Church and was active in the church and enjoyed her bible study classes.

She was an avid collector and seller of antique dish-ware. Barbara enjoyed learning about antiques and sold her collectables in various antique stores throughout the area.

She is survived by all four of her children, her daughter, Debra Demaray, and her husband, Billy, daughter, Michelle Demaray and sons, Randy and Scott Demaray; four grandchildren, Kyle Wille, Sarah Andersen, Scot Hollander and Carter Demaray; and two great-grandchildren, Cayden Wille and Teagan Wille.

Barbara is preceded in death by her grandson, Dustin Wille.

Brenda Poppe

Brenda Ann (Williams) Poppe, 64, died peacefully at home on February 28, 2022, under the care of hospice, after a lengthy battle with lung cancer.

Brenda was born on June 4, 1957, in Mason City, Iowa, to Burton (Bud) Williams and Dorothy (Larson) Williams of rural Northwood, Iowa. She graduated from Northwood-Kensett High School in 1975 and married Rick Myli of Waterloo in 1975. They had two sons and divorced in 1997. In 2006, she married Larry Poppe of Hudson, Iowa, and made their home in Waterloo.

She was employed at several area businesses, at varying times, including Pepsi, American Color Imaging, Delta, the Reinbeck Carrier and Interstate Food Services, mostly in the shipping and handling departments. Most recently, Brenda worked in shipping and handling for Collision Services, in Hudson, Iowa, until she was furloughed due to COVID-19, then went on disability due



BRENDA POPPE

to her illness.

Brenda enjoyed all kinds of crafts, writing poems for family and friends, caring for her and Larry's cats, feeding and watching "her" squirrels (something she "inherited" from her dad) and collecting frog related paraphernalia. She was quick to make friends and was cherished by many.

Brenda was preceded in death by her father, her paternal and maternal grandparents and several aunts and uncles.

She is survived by her husband, Larry, Waterloo; sons, Jeremy (Libby) Myli of Des Moines and Jesse (Destiny) Myli of Cedar Falls; sisters, Kristie Rabon of Nashville, Tennessee, and Marcia (Denny) Goodale of Northwood; five granddaughters and one grandson; step-daughters, Kim Crowe and Tammy (Jason) Thrasher, both of Cedar Falls; three step-grandsons; three step-granddaughters; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Brenda will be cremated and her ashes will be scattered on the farm she grew up on. A memorial service will be held in her honor, for family and friends, at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, family request donations be made to Wounded Warriors or St. Jude's Hospital.

The family wishes to acknowledge a very special thank you to the staff of Care Initiatives Hospice for the wonderful care given to Brenda and for the love and support shown to family.*

Grace Tenold

Grace L. Tenold, 96, of Kensett passed away peacefully on February 28, 2022, at the Oakwood Care Center in Clear Lake.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, March 11, 2022, at Bethany Lutheran Church, 600 Fifth St., Kensett, with Rev. Linda Johnson Prestholt officiating. She will be laid to rest in Kensett Cemetery at a later date. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at Conner Colonial Chapel, 1008 First Avenue N., Northwood, and will continue one hour prior to the service at the church. Memorial contributions may be made in Grace's name to Bethany Lutheran Church or to an organization of your choosing.

Grace was born on October 25, 1925, and was raised on a farm in Brookfield Township, west of Kensett, Iowa, the daughter of Olaf and Clara (Ostmo) Banken. She married Hardine Tenold in 1943. They had seven children together and lived their entire lives in the Kensett area. Both of Norwegian heritage, they loved family history and handed down many stories to their children.

She was a talented singer, in her youth she sang with a trio in high school, they performed at various events and they sang on live radio. Grace was a lifetime member of Elk Creek and Bethany Lutheran churches, she sang in the choir throughout the years and was a devout Christian.

Grace was a very active community member and enjoyed the many things that Kensett hosted; such as the Annual Variety Show and the annual Christmas Boutique for which she loved taking part in the lefse baking. Grace was a member of the Kensett Library board



GRACE TENOLD

for many years and loved reading books her entire life. She loved history and was a board member on the Worth County Heritage Committee. She served on many boards and ladies committees at Bethany Lutheran.

She was an avid seamstress, making clothes for her children when they were young and turning her sewing talents to quiltmaking in the years following. She made many quilts and home decor items for her children and hundreds of quilts for Lutheran World Relief. She always said "When I make something for my kids - I have to make seven of them!" Grace was honored with many purple ribbons and Best-of-Shows for her quilts at the Worth County Fair in her later years. She was a patriot through and through and loved making Quilts of Valor for veterans.

With having such a large family, Grace had a huge garden, and did a lot of cooking, growing and canning. She loved baking and making wonderful Norwegian pastries, recipes handed down by her mother Clara.

Grace and Hardine loved their annual fishing vacation in Nisswa, Minnesota, with all the family that could come - grandkids loved it too! Beginning in 1962 and unbroken through time, they had their own fishing family of friends and bonded strongly with them over many years.

Grace loved traveling and did much of it in the years following Hardine's death in 2000. She was adventurous, as long as it did not include heights of any measure, and she loved life

She had many jobs, besides wife and mother, during her life, farm hand growing up, candling eggs in the Kensett egg factory, grocery store clerk, seamstress at an upholstered cushion company, oil can manufacturing and USPS carrier, but her favorite job was working in the role of postmaster at the Kensett Post Office.

Grace is survived by six of her children, Linda (Fran) Foresta, Ronald (Carol) Tenold, Shirley (Bob) Johnstrud, Diane Djuren (Jim Roseland), Patricia (Mark) Harris, Paul Tenold and son-in-law, Steve Clagett. She is survived by 14 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Hardine; daughter, Mary Clagett; parents; three sisters and a brother; and sons-in-law, Jack Silverthorne and Dan Djuren.

Her favorite sayings were "God is in control!" "It's water under the bridge!" "It is what it is!" and "God Bless You!"

Grace had a huge friendship circle. She met everyone with a warm smile and welcome. She loved to laugh. Grace's pride and joy was her large family, including nieces and nephews. The Annual Canasta Tournament in California in honor of her mother, Clara Ostmo Banken, was an event not to be missed by anyone able to come. Such fun! She was a wonderful mother and Grace will continue to live in the lives of her children and descendants.



Fire claims building in Northwood March 7















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