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Northwood-Kensett High School 2022 graduates Hayden Moore and Emma Logeman will join their classmates as they take part in commencement exercises this Sunday, May 15.

N-KHS Class of 2022 graduates Sunday, May 15

This Sunday, the 43 members of the Northwood-Kensett class of 2022 will celebrate their graduation.

N-K's commencement ceremony will be held this Sunday, May 15, at 1:30 p.m. on the football field at the N-KHS gymnasium.

The class flower is the white rose. The class song is "22" by Taylor Swift. The class motto is: "Dread it. Run from it. Destiny arrives all the same," by Thanos.

At the ceremony, class vice president Jason Hanson will welcome those attending.

The announcement of honors that include Silver Cords, National Honor Society, academic letters and valedictorian and salutatorians will follow.

The presentation of scholarships will take place, including the WCDA, Hellen Holstad, Truman and Lorraine Julseth, Janssen Family, Oren & Carrie Igou, Richard Moen and Sidney Swensrud scholarships.

The class speaker will be class president Josiah Kliment.

The choir will perform "Be A Light."

High school principal Keith Fritz will present the graduates, who will be accepted with the awarding of diplomas by members of the board of education.

Northwood-Kensett Class of 2022

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Marli Ann Backhaus
Emma Grace Berg
Thomas Andrew Block
Andrew James Breitsprecher
Emma Lynn Davidson
Aaron Mathew Davis
Yarimy Sarai Duron
Alexander Brian Follmuth

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N-K spring concert May 17

Students in grades 5-8 will hold their spring concerts this Tuesday, May 17, in the N-K secondary gym.

Fifth and sixth grade students will perform at 6 p.m.

Students in grades 7-8 will perform at 7:30 p.m.

Retirement reception today

This afternoon, a reception is being held for two teachers that will retire at the end of the school year.

This afternoon's reception will honor Deb Faugstad and Lori Willert for their years of teaching N-K students.

A reception will be held this afternoon, from 4-5 p.m. in the N-K High School media center.



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Five year program gives a look at County road projects

At a recent meeting of the Worth County Board of Supervisors, county engineer Rich Brumm presented documents to be submitted to the Iowa Department of Transportation, outlining potential road and bridge projects, as well as spending in the coming fiscal year.

Potential projects were outlined in the secondary roads five year program.

The document outlines potential project scopes, costs and timelines. However, as Brumm noted to the supervisors, the program is not set in stone, depending on funds available, actual costs, priorities created by bridge inspections and other factors.

The five year program calls for $20.5 million in road, bridge and related projects. Funding sources range from federal sources, State farm to market road funds and local dollars.

One source of those local dollars would change the plans for fiscal year 2023, which begins on July 1 and ends on June 30, 2023.

The supervisors are currently pursuing TIF (tax increment financing), which would allow them to borrow predominantly against future wind turbine property tax revenue.

Plans for FY2023 include two bridge, two culvert and three paving projects, totaling $5.6 million.

Brumm said that those plans would change without TIF being made available.

Projects listed on the program using local dollars, which could depend on TIF, in the coming fiscal year, include a $250,000 bridge on 415th Street over a drainage ditch west of Kensett; a $2 million paving project on 7 miles of 390th Street south of Kensett; $200,000 for box

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Free school meals to end

One of the remaining COVID-related programs at area schools will soon come to an end, and with it the free lunches provided to students.

With schools closed for the remainder of the school year starting in March 2020, the U.S. Department of Agriculture began reimbursing schools and child care centers for breakfast and lunch as a way to provide for those families that counted on schools to provide the meals.

It was an extension of a program that was originally intended to provide food for students when school is out for the summer.

While school resumed for the next school year in some areas, others remained in a distance learning environment into 2021 and so the free meals have remained in place.

With schools throughout the country largely open again, the program has been set to expire starting on June 30.

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Worth projects chosen for $600,000 in housing grants

Last week, grants for downtown housing projects were announced. That included two grants in Worth County communities.

Iowa Governor Reynolds announced a total of nearly $20 million in investments to support downtown housing projects in 61 communities, which will create 466 new homes for Iowans.

Awards were made through the Downtown Housing Grant program, which provides support for downtown revitalization through new housing opportunities in communities with populations of 30,000 or below.

"An adequate housing supply is the lynchpin to attracting and retaining a healthy and flourishing workforce," said Reynolds. "The investments announced

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Kensett set to celebrate 150th Aug. 19-21

This summer, the city of Kensett will celebrate its sesquicentennial, or 150th anniversary, with a number of events and activities in the works, and organizers are seeking help to plan and present the celebration.

The celebration will be held August 19-21. Events and activities planned for the sesquicentennial include the band Bad Habits, a car show, kids entertainment and a parade.

Organizers are currently seeking help to plan the event, and to help during the anniversary weekend.

Those that would like to volunteer may contact Linda Kaufman at 641-845-2060, Lisa Lestrud at 641-845-2301 or Barb Berge at 641-845-2346.

2022 N-K Graduates — See inside

May is Mental Health Awareness Month

May is Mental Health Awareness Month and The Iowa Departments of Public Health and Human Services, soon to be the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), are urging Iowans to prioritize their mental health. After the last two years of pandemic living, many people are realizing that stress, isolation, and uncertainty have taken a toll on their well-being. To coincide with Mental Health Awareness Month, the state is launching a multi-platform, multi-audience suicide prevention messaging campaign. The campaign targets Iowa youth as well as adults who are influential in the lives of young Iowans.

There Are People Who Care was developed for younger Iowans who might be experiencing thoughts of suicide or self-harm. Messages will run on platforms frequently used by a younger demographic, including TikTok, Snapchat, gaming apps and streaming television.

Say Something About Suicide is targeted to an older audience, encouraging them to say something if they notice the young person in their life is struggling. These ads will be placed on broadcast and streaming television as well as social media sites with an older audience demographic.

"Much of our work in mental health service delivery and suicide prevention is about reducing stigma. The first step is to reach out for support when you or someone you care about is struggling. You may not always know the exact right thing to say or do, but there are resources available through Your Life Iowa and others that help guide the process. Mental Health is part of our overall health, and is just as important as taking care of your physical health. We want Iowans to prioritize both," said Kelly Garcia, Director of the Departments of Health and Human Services.

The call to action for both campaigns is to reach out to Your Life Iowa. Your Life Iowa provides free, 24/7 support available for anyone dealing with mental health concerns, thoughts of suicide, substance use, problem alcohol use, or problem gambling. In FY21, Your Life Iowa provided 31,089 contacts (phone text and chat), a 126% increase over fiscal year 2020. Adult mental health was the leading cause of the contacts, accounting for just over 30 percent of all contacts.

Approximately 470,000 adults in Iowa have a mental health condition, including 128,000 adults with a serious mental illness. More than half of people nationwide with a mental health condition do not receive treatment; cost was the deterrent for almost one third of Iowans who did not receive mental health care. There is no cost to contact Your Life Iowa and speak with a trained crisis counselor.

In addition to Your Life Iowa, beginning July 16, 2022, 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline will be available for people with concerns about mental health or suicide. Calls, texts and chats from Iowa will be routed to two local crisis centers, CommUnity Crisis Services and Foodbank in Iowa City and Foundation 2 in Cedar Rapids.

Countywide zoning hearing set for Monday

This Monday, May 16, the Worth County supervisors will have an initial public hearing as they consider the prospect of expanding the zoning ordinance to apply countywide.

The zoning expansion was first considered after the supervisors were advised that a proposed ordinance regulating wind turbines should only be considered as a part of zoning.

Currently, the zoning ordinance only applies to the three townships that contain Interstate 35, Brookfield, Danville and Hartland. To make the wind ordinance effective countywide, zoning would have to expand.

The Worth County planning and zoning commission began a process to consider expanded zoning, which included several meetings and two public hearings. However, there were issues with the second hearing when letters to unzoned land owners were not delivered in time for many to take part in the hearing.

Based on their discussion and what was heard from those that did appear at hearings, the zoning commission ultimately made a recommendation to the supervisors that they begin the process to make zoning applicable countywide.

No changes were suggested for the current zoning ordinance, beyond having it apply to all 12 townships. It would not apply in Worth County's cities, which are responsible for zoning in their city limits.

If passed, the County will have to work with the City of Manly, which has extended its zoning reach to two miles outside of its borders, as no county zoning has been in place there.

The commission's recommendation was also to set a general agricultural designation for all currently unzoned parcels, unless they were known to be used for commercial or industrial purposes, or if the parcel owner had requested a change.

Based on the commission's recommendation, the supervisors opted to proceed with the process to consider expanded zoning.

The next step for the supervisors comes this Monday, May 16, with a public hearing set at 9:30 a.m., during the regular board meeting.

The County's zoning ordinance, along with documents related to the zoning commission's recommendation to expand zoning, can be found on the County's website, online at worthcountyiowa.gov, by clicking on "I Want To," "View" and "Document Center," then clicking on the Planning and Zoning folder.

People may also arrange to receive a digital copy or view a hard copy of the ordinance or the proposed zoning map by contacting Worth County zoning administrator Matt Duve at 602-206-4730.

Agendas for supervisor meetings, including information on how to attend remotely via Zoom, can be found on the County's website, under "My Government" and "Agendas & Minutes."

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What that means for students and their families is that, during the next school year, breakfast and lunch policies will return to what was in place before the pandemic, with lunch accounts charged and parents being asked to keep meal accounts current to pay for all meals.

While the free meals for all students will end, there are still programs in place to provide food free or at a reduced price for families in need.

Families may contact their school offices to check on meal accounts or with questions.

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today will not only provide 466 Iowans the opportunity to live near where they work but they will breathe new life into dozens of underutilized facilities in our communities."

Examples of projects awarded funds through the program include the former Iowa Mutual Insurance building in DeWitt, which will create 53 rental homes; a former middle school in Jefferson will be converted into 25 rental homes; And a historic brewery in Cascade that has sat vacant for the past 25 years will create 10 new rental homes.

The program will spur the conversion of a total of two former schools, seven underutilized facilities and 52 upper story buildings into housing.

In Worth County, two grants were announced, totaling $600,000.

In Manly, a grant for $300,000 was awarded for an upper story conversion at 112 E. Main Street, which will provide three units.

In Northwood, another grant for $300,000 was awarded, again for an upper story conversion that will build three units. The Northwood project is located at 812 Central Avenue.

"This program provides a unique and transformative opportunity to both revitalize our communities and increase our housing stock across the state," said Reynolds. "Communities have answered the call for unique and inspiring housing projects, and I look forward to seeing them come to fruition."

The program had $20 million available for awards and received 94 applications requesting $31 million in funding. Projects were scored on a competitive basis on criteria including project appropriateness, funding and partnerships, impact on housing in the community and population size.

The Downtown Housing Grant Program is a part of Reynolds' $100 million investment to increase the supply of housing options and protect and expand housing opportunities for Iowans to live in or near the communities where they work. The funds are made available through Federal American Rescue Act State and Local Fiscal Relief Funds.

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culverts on Spruce Avenue east of Manly; $300,000 for box culverts on Mallard Avenue over a drainage ditch; and a $950,000 overlay of 4 miles of Thrush Avenue near Highway 105.

A second paving project on Thrush Avenue includes 7 miles of paving from 390th Street north to Highway 105. It would be funded with $1 million in State Farm to Market funds and $500,000 in federal funds. Also in the program for the coming fiscal year is a $400,000 bridge project over a stream on on Dogwood Avenue, north of 390th Street, funded using federal aid dollars.

Amongst the projects in the program for fiscal year 2024 are a $2.1 million paving project on Warbler Avenue from Grafton to Highway 65 and $1.8 million for paving on Dogwood Avenue from Highway 9 to 410th Street, along with several culverts.

Fiscal year 2025 projects include $900,000 for paving on 410th Street from Highway 65 to Thrush Avenue, along with a culvert and a bridge project.

Fiscal year 2026 projects in the program include a $4.3 million paving project on Highway 105, from Northwood east to the county line, along with a bridge and a culvert project.

Fiscal year 2027 plans include a $3 million paving project for 10 miles on Wheelerwood Road, along with a bridge and a culvert project.

Brumm said that the five year program is something of a wish list, meant to show projects the County is considering, but does not necessarily have the funding or other resources to pursue, and is up for change as conditions dictate.

County will work with landowners for flooded stalk removal

Heavy rains and strong storms have left flooding damage across the county. That includes several areas where corn stalks were washed from fields and deposited in county ditches. How to clean up those areas was recently the focus of discussion with the Worth County supervisors.

At the May 2 meeting, supervisor Mark Smeby asked county engineer Rich Brumm how the ongoing clean up was going, especially with the sitting corn stalks.

Brumm said that some had been hauled away where it was causing flooding issues, but said that he was reluctant and unsure how the County should handle other areas.

Brumm said that doing so will be an expensive proposition for the County, not to mention the time involved for the secondary roads crew that has its regular duties as well.

For Brumm, one of the bigger reservations is that, in the eyes of the Iowa code, the corn stalks did not come from County property. The code says that if the County knows where siltation comes from, it's not the County's responsibility.

Brumm asked if the clean up should be left up to the County and, especially with rising diesel prices, the taxpayers. He said it would take dozens of truck loads to remove all the corn debris from many of the washed out locations. Brumm said that there is no federal clean up money that would cover corn stalk removal.

That said, the County is responsible to let water drain through its ditches.

So, then, what should the County do with the stalks it clears?

Brumm said there are basically two options. The County can take the corn remnants out of the ditches and put them on the fence line to let farmers incorporate them back into the field.

Brumm acknowledged the start of the planting season may not be the best timing for that, and some may let them remain there until a better time. He said more heavy rains may just put the stalks back in the ditches.

The other option is for the County to remove the stalks and pile them at a County site to decompose for mulch or soil to offer or sell in the future. While the simplest solution, it's the more expensive for the County and for taxpayers, Smeby noted.

The choice would ultimately be left to the landowner. Brumm said he would contact those with corn stalk piles and ask if they want to have them to work into fields, or if the County should remove them.

But, Brumm wanted to make it clear that the County was responding to an unusual flood event, and would not be cleaning out ditches of dirt or top soil for Worth's rural residents.

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Ribbon cutting welcomes Sukup steel coiling facility in Manly

May 5 marked one year since Sukup's steel coil facility opened its doors. The company celebrated with a gathering of employees, both those working at the site and traveling from company headquarters in Sheffield. Also attending were a number of guests, including the Mason City Chamber of Commerce, which held a ribbon cutting of the facility.

Legislators representing Worth County were also on hand, including U.S. Representative Ashley Hinson, Iowa Senator Waylon Brown and Iowa Representative Jane Bloomingdale. They were joined by Worth County supervisor AJ Stone on a tour of the facility that afternoon.

Steve Sukup, president of Sukup, grandson of company founder Eugene Sukup, and third generation to serve as president of the company, spoke at last week's event. He introduced other members of the Sukup family, along with members of the Sukup staff at the facility.

Sukup shared what brought the company to Manly. "It was 2012, when we stopped by Manly, Andy Schmitt and I. We were on the way back from a baseball game and we stopped into Manly. It's always been known as a railroad town, so we stopped across the street at the Iowa Northern Railroad and we caught up with the Sabins. Without the Sabins and the cooperation with them we wouldn't be here.







"We started with this building, got the railroad inside and added on again with this building."

The Schmitt Sukup referred to is Capital Improvements and Infrastructure Manager, Andy Schmitt, who helps oversee the site.

For the past year, he's been on hand as the company has moved in machinery and worked to get the expansion functioning and fully-staffed. He describes a busy yet exciting time of growth at the five acre location.

“Our maintenance staff, tool and die staff, and rigging staff really are the heartbeat of our plant. They keep things running. In a year where they probably felt like the task we put in front of them was unattainable, they’ve proven even their own doubts wrong. And we cannot thank them enough for all their hard work.”

The railway goes through the steel coil facility site. It has been a key to offset rising costs, besides the cost effective and efficient alternative to hauling the company's U.S. made steel by truck.

"Each rail car represents five semis. We're able to do this very effectively by rail," Suku said to those gathered at last week's event.

The Sukup expansion was able to diversify transportation and not only utilizes the railroad but is able to pull from an employment pool that’s different from the corporate headquarters in Sheffield, Iowa.

When fully staffed, there will be upwards of 25-30 employees. But according to Schmitt, it will take more time before all production cells are fully installed.

Until then there is still much to gain. The location at the Manly terminal has brought the railway to and through the facility.

Schmitt believes that is just one of many reasons, from a supply-chain perspective, that owning the Manly site has been a game changer and a cost saver for the overall Sukup Manufacturing Co.

"The transfer station is an expansion that’s been a game changer for Sukup Manufacturing Co. Especially during a time of high steel prices; this location has helped reduce the shipping costs related to the highly sought after product."

Besides being a transportation hub, the facility is also used to manufacture several pieces of the company's steel products, which are shipped to other facilities in Iowa to be assembled.

“Being able to control our shipping and storage needs in an area so close to our headquarter production location is really an invaluable asset, especially in the world we’re living in today. We used to pay to truck our coils further north of our headquarters to a storage location we didn’t own and again had to pay storage fees monthly.”

Real ID deadline one year away, but there's no need to wait

From the Iowa DOT:

One year may seem like a long time, but it will be here before you know it. The Iowa Department of Transportation is encouraging anyone who plans on flying on a commercial airline or entering a federal building after May 3, 2023, to consider obtaining a REAL ID sooner rather than later.

“A year from today, federal law will require all passengers flying out of airports from Iowa and around the country to have a REAL ID-compliant driver’s license, state-issued ID, or another acceptable form of ID such as a passport or military ID to board a plane,” said Melissa Gillett, Iowa DOT Motor Vehicle Division director.

REAL ID-compliant driver’s licenses and state-issued ID cards in Iowa are marked with a star surrounded by a gold circle in the upper-righthand corner.

To get a REAL ID marked card, you will need to visit any Iowa driver’s license or ID issuance location and bring documents that prove your identity, social security number, two proofs of Iowa residency, and proof of legal name changes - if your name is different from the name on your identity document. To build a list of documents you need to bring with you, visit https://iowadot.gov/mvd/realid/success.aspx. You will need to have original, physical versions of all documents; photos or screenshots are not accepted.

Once the REAL ID star has been added to your card, you only have to go through this process one time as long as you live in Iowa. After that, the REAL ID mark will remain on your card every time you renew it, unless a person is a foreign national with temporary lawful status. They will need to establish lawful status at each renewal.

You only have to go through this process one time. Once the REAL ID star has been added to your card, it will remain on your card every time you renew it. Any person that is a foreign national with temporary lawful status will need to establish lawful status at each renewal.

If you decide you need a REAL ID, you can get one at any time. If your card is up for renewal before May. 3, 2023, or you don’t plan to fly commercially or enter a federal building before your renewal date, you can simply wait until it’s time to renew and receive a REAL ID marked card at no additional cost. However, if your license or ID is not up for renewal and you need a REAL ID marked card, you can bring the necessary documents in and receive the REAL ID marking on your card for the $10 cost of a replacement card. Replacement cards will be sent to your mailing address within 7-21 days. When first submitting for a REAL ID, you must obtain the REAL ID marking in person. It is not available the first time through online renewal. Once you have received the REAL ID though, you will be able to renew it online.

REAL ID does not impact your ability to use your Iowa driver’s license or ID for uses such as driving, renting a vehicle, writing a check, purchasing alcohol or tobacco, or entering a casino.

The Iowa DOT began issuing REAL ID-compliant driver’s licenses and identification cards in January 2013. Since that time, anyone who has received an Iowa license for the first time should have been automatically given a REAL ID.

Almost 60 percent of Iowans currently have a card with the REAL ID gold star in the top right corner.

Ten scholarships available now for remote working from home certificate course

Having the skills to be successful in remote work can open employment possibilities for Iowans no matter where they live. Iowans can gain these skills through the Remote Work Certificate. Iowa State University Extension and Outreach offers the virtual course in partnership with Utah State University Extension.

The next session begins on June 6 and the registration deadline is on June 1. Registration information is available on the Human Sciences Extension and Outreach website at https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/remote-work.

The four-week course is open to adult learners and requires approximately 30 hours to complete. Participants must have broadband internet access, a Web camera and microphone, and basic computer proficiency. The registration fee is $249 and upon completion participants receive a Remote Work Certificate. Thanks to a local sponsor there will be 10 full $249 scholarships available for free full registration payments of the first ten individuals signing up for the program. Those who not able to register for the June 1 deadline may sign up by June 30 to take advantage of the free $249 scholarship opportunity to take the class anytime after June 30. Must pre-register prior to June 30 to accept the full $249 registration fee offer at a later set of meetings.

More information or to access one of 10 limited time course scholarships, is available by contacting Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist at djohn@iastate.edu or calling 641-324-1531 at the Worth County Extension Office in Northwood.





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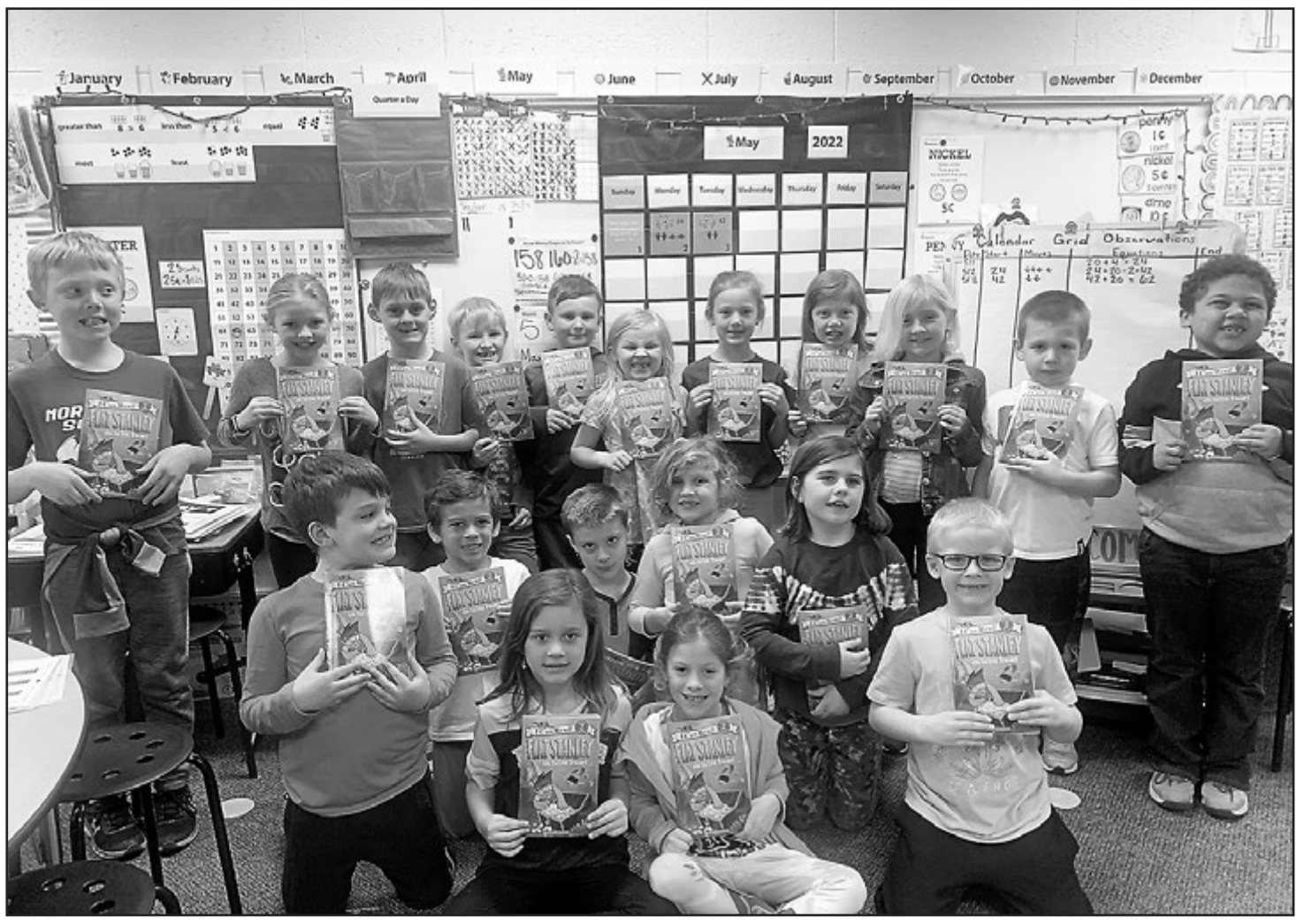
Lions and Red Cross sponsor blood drive Thursday, May 19

An urgent call has been made by Red Cross for several types of blood that are in short supply (A, B, and O). Many may have perhaps read that there are needs in some "+" and "-" in these blood types. Many cancer, COVID and birthing patients are some of many persons in need of blood.

An opportunity to help to fulfill these needs, and many more, are available Thursday of next week. The local Lions Club and the Red Cross will hold a blood drive on Thursday, May 19, from 1 until 6 p.m. at the VFW north on Highway 65.

Interested donors may log on to redcrossblood.org/RapidPass and follow the instructions to schedule an appointment (This is to help keep social distancing), or donors may call the Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767. Potential donors may also call locally to 641-324-2252. Anyone eligible may also walk in at a convenient time for their schedule.

"If you have considered being a blood donor and have not done so as yet, please give donating a try, or talking to someone who has been a long-time donor," said Lions Club drive organizers.



A book of their own to take home

With the school year winding down, the students at Northwood-Kensett Elementary received one more free book to call their own. Throughout the school year every student at the elementary has received a book to take home, courtesy of donations from local families, groups and businesses. The book for the final month of the school year was made possible with a donation in memory of Larry Patterson.

Worth County Conservation offers new Forest Bathing program on July 16

The Worth County Conservation announces a new program this summer, Forest Bathing on Saturday, July 16, from 9 a.m. - 12 noon or 2-5 p.m. at the Lime Creek Nature Center.

"Come spend some time relaxing and taking a closer look at what nature can offer." The cost is $25 per person. There is a 15 people per session limit. The registration deadline is Thursday, July 14. Those interested may call the Lime Creek Nature Center/Cerro Gordo County Conservation Board to reserve a spot at 641-423-5309.

Certified Forest Therapy Guide Connie Svoboda will lead individuals on a slow-paced, therapeutic walk that promotes wellness through a series of gentle, sensory-opening invitations. It's a time for individual, quiet reflection. Studies have shown a wide array of health benefits to being in nature, especially in the cardiovascular and immune systems, and to help stabilize mood and improve cognition. A growing number of health professionals are prescribing a walk in the woods to complement or even substitute for traditional medicine.

Treasurer Fitzgerald announces College Savings Iowa 529 Day giveaway in Worth County

State Treasurer Michael L. Fitzgerald is celebrating 529 Day, recognized nationally on May 29, with a College Savings Iowa giveaway in Worth County.

"529 Day spreads the word about the importance of 529 plans, like College Savings Iowa, and how they can be used to help families pay for higher education costs," said Fitzgerald. "Maximize the opportunity to grow your child's education savings this 529 Day by entering to win a $529 College Savings Iowa contribution." To register, visit Iowa529Contest.com before May 31.

"As a grandparent and administrator of College Savings Iowa, 529 Day is personal to me," continued Fitzgerald. "I want to see Iowa's youth succeed, and investing in their future with a 529 account is one way we can do that. It's never too early or too late to start saving for their education."

College Savings Iowa offers families a tax-advantaged way to save money for education-related expenses such as tuition, room and board, books, supplies, computers and more. Students are not limited to staying in Iowa and can attend any eligible educational institution in the United States or abroad, including colleges, universities, technical training schools or apprenticeship programs. Plus, Iowa taxpayers have the benefit of being able to deduct up to $3,522 in contributions per beneficiary account from their 2022 Iowa adjusted gross income.

It only takes $25 to open an account and anyone – parents, grandparents, friends and relatives – can invest in the Plan on behalf of a child. Visit CollegeSavingsIowa.com for more information or call 888-672-9116.

Visit Iowa529Contest.com to register for the giveaway. For more information about future giveaways and events, find College Savings Iowa on Facebook and Twitter.

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Be it resolved, by the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa, that pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 317 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, it is hereby ordered:

1. That each owner and each person in the possession or control of any land in Worth County, Iowa, shall cut, burn or otherwise destroy all noxious weeds thereon, as defined in this chapter, at such time in each year and in such manner as shall prevent said weeds from blooming or coming into maturity and shall keep such lands free from such growth of any other weeds as shall render the streets or highways adjoining said lands unsafe for public travel. Noxious weeds shall be cut, or otherwise destroyed.

Primary noxious weeds, which shall include: quack grass, bull thistle, perennial sow thistle, horse nettle, Canada thistle, leafy spurge, perennial pepper-grass, European morning glory or field bindweed, Russian knapweed, buckthorn and palmer amaranth

Secondary noxious weeds, which shall include: butterprint annual, wild carrot biennial & perennial, sour dock perennial, multiflora rose, teasel biennial, cocklebur annual, buckthorn perennial, smooth dock perennial, wild sunflower annual, shattercane annual, wild mustard annual, sheep sorrel, poison hemlock and puncture vine annual

2. That all weeds on county trunk and local county roads and between fence lines thereof will be taken care **of by the county**.

3. That if the owners or persons in possession or control of any lands in Worth County fail to comply with the forgoing order, the Weed Commissioner shall cause this to be done and that the expense of said work, including costs of serving notices and other costs, if any, to be assessed against the real estate.

4. That the county auditor be and is hereby directed to cause notice of the making and entering of the forgoing order by publication in each of the official newspapers of the county by request of County Weed Commissioner, Mike Bode at 1000 Central Ave, Northwood, IA (641) 390-0268.

5. The Weed Commissioner be given full authority and power to carry out the provisions of the resolution.

Published upon order of the Worth County Board of Supervisors, Mark Smeby, Chair, this 2nd day of May, 2022.

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NIACC to host free STEM Camp for middle school students

North Iowa Area Community College is hosting a free summer STEM enrichment program for middle school students.

The Verizon Innovative Learning STEM Achievers program will provide an engaging, hands on program developed to enrich learning through design thinking, 3D printing, augmented reality, social entrepreneurship, and mentorship. This program creates a more diverse pipeline for future careers in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields; no prior knowledge or experience is required.

The sessions will be held at the NIACC John Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center with lunch provided. The girl's session will take place on weekdays from July 11 - July 29, 2022 from 9 am - 3:30 p.m. The boy's session will take place on weekdays from August 1 - August 19, 2022 from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

To register, visit bit.ly/STEMAchievers. For more information, please contact Kelley O'Rourke at kelley.orourke@niacc.edu or 641-422-4234.

North Iowa Area Community College, founded in 1918, is a nationally-recognized, two-year college located in central North Iowa. With approximately 3,000 career and transfer students, the College has been recognized by the Aspen Institute as a leading community college in the nation. NIACC welcomes students from across Iowa, Minnesota, the nation, and the world. The College has served as a leader in student-centered learning, community engagement, and collaborative leadership for more than 100 years. Choose NIACC First.









Show and tell

Northwood-Kensett's newest facilities were recently shown to the staff and the community with a day of ceremony and display. The first showcase for N-K on April 27 was offered to the district's staff. During an afternoon of professional development, the district's teachers were shown the progress of the Vikings Activity Center (bottom right), the joint school and community fitness and activity resource. Later that afternoon, a ribbon cutting, open house and tours were held at the district's new administrative offices and transportation center, converted from the old TS Express building.

Thank You

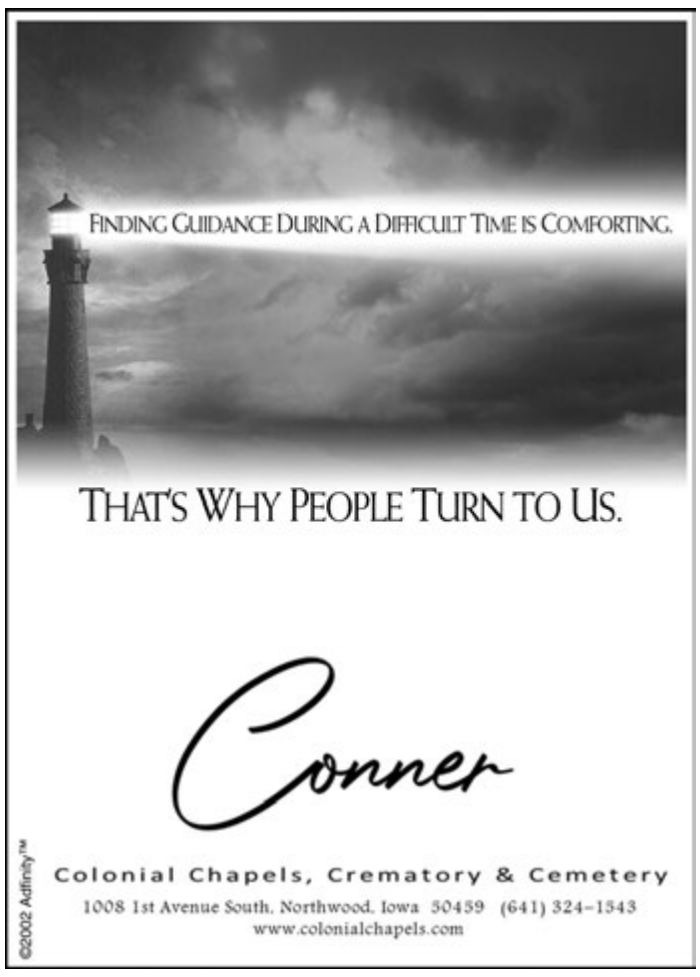
First Lutheran Church would like to thank the WCDA for the grant that was used to finish Phase 2 of the Sound/Video Grant. It was greatly appreciated.

Thank you!

Ditch Spraying NOTICE

The Worth County Weed Commissioner / Secondary Roads Department are about to begin spraying road ditches. You **MUST** contact the Worth County Engineer's Office and fill out the required paperwork if there are any areas that you do not want sprayed. A special color-coded and labeled flag is available at the office to mark your areas. If you have these flags from previous years, you may re-use them, but you will still need to make sure you are registered for the program. Replacement flags are also available.

For registration paperwork, details, or more information, please contact Mike at 641-390-0268







Hendrickson celebrates 90th birthday again and again

By JoAnn Lower

It was April 21, 1932. Herbert Hoover was president, Amelia Earhart was preparing for her solo flight across the Atlantic, and Gilma (Hanson) Hendrickson was going into labor. In the back bedroom of their farm house she gave birth to a baby boy. Gilma and her proud husband Irving named the baby Horace.

Ninety years later Horace continues to live in the house where he was born, along with his wife Ann.

His 90th birthday was celebrated with no less than six parties, with a total of 123 people from all parts of Iowa attending. Each party, arranged by his loving wife Ann, included one of her delicious homemade cakes.

Horace attended school at Deer Creek #4. "After high school I would have gone on to school, but my dad's health was deteriorating so I stayed home and helped him run the farm."

On the 160 acres of rich Iowa farm soil Horace raised corn, beans, oats, a few Hampshire hogs and milked 13 Holsteins. "The milking had to be finished by 7 a.m. every morning. That's when the milk truck came around. The milk went into 10-gallon cans and was then taken to the Deer Creek Cheese Factory."

Ann first remembers seeing Horace at church. One evening at the Terp Ballroom in Austin, he asked her to dance, and a few years later on November 14, 1970, they were married at Deer Creek Lutheran Church in Carpenter. This delightfully energetic couple has been married for 52 years.

Along with gardening, Ann gave piano lessons and for 45 years served as organist at the Deer Creek Lutheran. She is an integral part of the Worth County Historical Society.

Horace enjoys working with mechanical things and farm equipment. "I've put together a few things on my own," he smiled. "I made a tractor-driven posthole digger powered by the tractor and have done welding and repairs for the neighbors."

"I learned to weld in shop class in Northwood. The winter of 1951 Dad ordered a welder from Sears Roebuck. The snow was so deep that we hooked a team of horses to a sled in order to get the welder up the driveway – quite a ceremony it was."

Horace and Ann have enjoyed a fair amount of traveling. "One year we had a successful Farm Bureau membership drive and earned a trip to Washington, D.C. We've visited my sister in San Jose, California, several times, have been on the west side of Central America and through the Panama Canal. In an RV we traveled all the way across Canada to Alaska. What an incredible trip that was."

Happy Birthday, Horace. And many more.



HORACE AND ANN HENDRICKSON



Doing the math at the bee

These Northwood-Kensett sixth graders recently took part in the annual Math Bee, hosted by the Central Rivers Area Education Agency. Schools from throughout the area were invited to take part, with 154 students from 33 teams putting their math skills to the test. Amongst the topics that they were tested on were the number system, expressions and equations, geometry, statistics and probability and ratio and proportional relationships. The N-K mathletes pictured took part in the bee, including (from left) Cayleigh Peppers, Ivy Toresdahl, Mia Fierova and Summer Schulle. Fierova placed in the top 20 students at the event.

Bolan

On Monday evening, May 2, Joe and Linda Nydegger attended the NRHEG (New Richland, Hartland, Ellendale, Geneva) 6-12 Band Pops Concert in New Richland, Minnesota. Evelyn Nydegger, daughter of Larry and Michele, plays bass clarinet in the Jazz Band and the Concert Band.

On Thursday evening Michele Nydegger and Linda Nydegger attended the Minnesota West Community & Technical College Commencement Ceremony in Jackson, Minnesota. It was held at the Jackson County Central Performing Arts Center. Daniel Nydegger was part of the graduation class. As Student Senate president he gave the welcome and introductions at the beginning of the ceremony. He graduated with Academic Honors (3.50-3.74) receiving a Powerline-Diploma. He had also been on the Fall Semester Dean's List. Also coming was Ross and Sandy Lubrant of Robbinsdale, Minnesota and they all attended the reception afterwards.

On Thursday afternoon Joe Nydegger and Lori Willert attended Evelyn Nydegger's track meet in New Richland. She tried the 100m hurdles for the first time and took second place. She also took second in the 300m hurdles with a new personal best time, and also in the 4x400m finishing in first place.

Joe and Linda Nydegger were Mother's Day dinner guests at the Scott and Lori Willert home. Kelsie was home for the weekend and Cole joined them for Sunday dinner. Cole's birthday was also celebrated.

Northwood Anchor

Church

Fertile Lutheran Church

Sunday, Worship Service, 9:30 a.m., Sunday School & Confirmation, 10:30 a.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly

Sunday, Adult Bible Study at Bethlehem, 8 a.m., Bethlehem Worship, 9 a.m., Joyful Noise Choir Practice at Grace, 9:15 a.m., Sunday School at Bethlehem, 10:15 a.m., Grace Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Bethany Lutheran Church/Elk Creek Lutheran

Thursday, Elk Creek WELCA, 2 p.m., MANNA Open, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Worship - Bethany, 9 a.m., Sunday School - EC, 9:45 a.m., Graduation Day; Monday, Bethany Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m.

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan

Sunday, Worship Service, 9:10 a.m., Coffee Fellowship, 10 a.m.

Pastor Cory Allard

Northwood United Methodist Church

Wednesday, Swallow Coffee House LM, 10 a.m.; Thursday, Pub Theology, 10 a.m.; Friday, Discipleship Journey, 10 a.m.; Sunday, Worship Service, 10:45 a.m., Fellowship, 11:45 a.m.

Rev. Rob Lanphere

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First Lutheran Church, Northwood

Wednesday, Choir, SH Youth, 7 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Gr., 9 a.m., Taekwondo, 6:30 p.m., Pub Theology, 7 p.m.; Sunday, Service with H.C. and Graduating Seniors, 9 a.m., Sunday School, 10:10 a.m., LRH Service, 3 p.m., JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Trust Fund, 4 p.m., AA-Al-Anon, 7 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Church, Northwood

Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion at 9 a.m.

Rev. Barbara M. Wills, Pastor

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www.sacredheartmanly.org

Faith Lutheran Church, London

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class, 9:30 a.m. (Fall through Spring); Sunday, Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Kent Otterman

Is Everything Permitted?



One clear message from the New Testament is that we are under a new covenant, that Jesus has changed the rules of the game. There is clearly a debate of sorts going on amongst the writers of the New Testament about adherence to the rules and laws of the Old Testament. This debate continues to rage even in our own times. Some churches advise strict adherence to dietary strictures and the rules of morality while some are a lot looser. It may be the case that everything under the sun has its proper use and thus that nothing is inherently "unclean" and yet common sense tells us that not everything is good for us. Many foods and drugs have their appropriate uses but are unhealthy or even deadly if misused. Perhaps everything is permitted in the narrow sense that nothing created by God is inherently bad, but it does not follow that its unrestricted use is advisable. Just because you can do something doesn't mean you should. Bacon may be okay in small amounts, just like morphine, but it will kill you if you consume too much of it. So we should consider carefully how we use nature's bounty. – Christopher Simon

I have the right to do anything, you say, but not everything is beneficial. – 1 Corinthians 6:12

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Cook Bookin'

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



by Sandy Olson

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

I lived in Schuyler Lake, N.Y., for many years. During that time the Ladies' Auxiliary of the local volunteer fire department compiled a cookbook. "Cooking Favorites of Schuyler Lake" (1972, Women's Clubs Publishing Co. Inc, Chicago). The thin spiral-bound book is filled with the best of the best from that era and that little village. Some of them are old favorites that have continued to be popular and some are long forgotten but may need to be revived. I've adapted them a bit for 2022. See what you think.

French Kraut
Shirley Seamon

Kraut:
Sauce:
2 quarts shredded cabbage
2/3 cup white vinegar
2 small onions, thinly sliced
1 cup white sugar
1 green pepper, thinly sliced
1 1/2 tablespoons mustard seed
2 carrots, shredded

Mix all the vegetables in a large bowl. Put sauce ingredients into a saucepan and heat but don't boil. Cool the sauce and pour over the veggies. Mix well. This salad improves with age and can be kept covered in the refrigerator for up to 2 weeks. It's a nice change from the creamy-style coleslaw. You can use the bags of shredded coleslaw mix, add more carrot and rest of the veggies.

Beef and Onions in Beer
Sarah Lopez

2 pound chuck roast
2 medium yellow onions, sliced
1 can (10.5 oz.) beef gravy
2 tablespoons water
1 can (12 oz.) any brand beer
2 clover garlic, minced
1 can (3 oz.) sliced mushrooms & juice
2 tablespoons flour

Trim the excess fat from the roast and cut into cubes. Heat some oil in a heavy skillet. Brown the meat on all sides. Add the beer, garlic, gravy and onions. Cover and simmer about 1 hour over low heat or until the meat is fork-tender. Combine the water and flour in a shaker, mixing very well so there are no lumps. Add this slowly to the skillet while stirring constantly. Add the mushrooms and heat thoroughly. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve over noodles or mashed potatoes. 2022 NOTE: you can do this quickly in an electronic pressure cooker or more slowly in a slow cooker. Use instructions for similar recipes to find cooking time for each.

Pumpkin Chocolate Chip Cake
Helen Wilson

2 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 cups white sugar
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
4 large eggs
1 cup vegetable oil
2 teaspoons baking powder
2 cups canned pumpkin (not pie filling)
2 teaspoons baking soda
1 cup chopped walnuts
1 cup real chocolate chips

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Cream together the sugar and eggs until yellow and fluffy. Add the pumpkin and mix well. In another bowl, combine the dry ingredients. Add these alternately with the oil, beating a bit after each addition to combine well. Fold in the chocolate chips and nuts. Put the batter into an UNGREASED tube pan and bake for 1 hour, 15 minutes. Test for doneness with a wooden toothpick. Delicious served with good vanilla ice cream.

Forgotten Torte
Joyce Buell

Whites of 6 large eggs, room temperature
1 1/2 cups white sugar
1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar
1 teaspoon pure vanilla
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon almond extract
1/2 teaspoon red food coloring

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees F. Put the room temperature egg whites into a bowl and beat them with the cream of tartar and salt until they are foamy. Slowly add the sugar, beating after each addition. Add the vanilla and almond extracts and the food coloring. Beat until the egg whites are stiff and glossy and form peaks. Spread in an angel food cake pan which has the BOTTOM ONLY buttered. Place the cake in the oven and TURN IT OFF IMMEDIATELY! Leave cake in the oven overnight without opening the door. Serve the next day with whipped cream and strawberries. Serves 10-12.

This cookbook is one-of-a-kind. The Village of Schuyler Lake is still there but it's less populated and active than it was in the 70s. I don't know if they still have a volunteer fire department or ladies auxiliary but I DO know those good people were great cooks back in the day. And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society

Henry – Schaefer announce upcoming wedding June 11, 2022



ASHLYN SCHAEFER AND AUSTIN HENRY

Ashlyn Schaefer and Austin Henry, both from Cedar Falls, Iowa, are proud to announce their engagement and upcoming wedding.

Ashlyn is the daughter of Eric and Michele Schaefer of Northwood, granddaughter of Helen Schmidt and the late Richard Schmidt of Osage and the late Colette and Robert Schaefer of McIntire, Iowa.

Austin is the son of Chuck and Mary Jo Henry of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, grandson of Chuck and Sandy Henry, Ethel and John Matzen both of Ease Moline, Illinois and the late Joanne and Paul Anderson of Fort Dodge, Iowa.

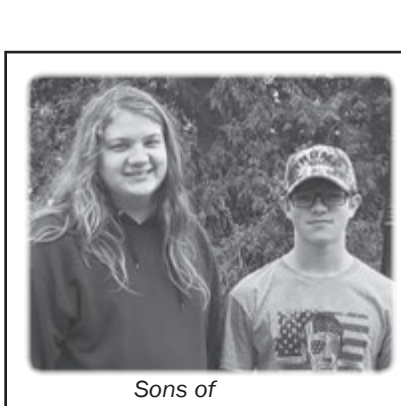
Ashlyn graduated from Northwood-Kensett High School in 2016, attended UNI, graduated with a bachelor's degree in family services and gerontology in in 2021 and is the manager at Transcend Mind-Body Wellness in Cedar Falls.

Austin graduated from Cedar Rapids Prairie High School in 2011 and is a Operations Manager at FedEx Ground in Waterloo, Iowa.

Austin and Ashlyn will be married on Saturday, June 11, 2022, in Waverly, Iowa.



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Saturday, May 14
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Graduation Open House
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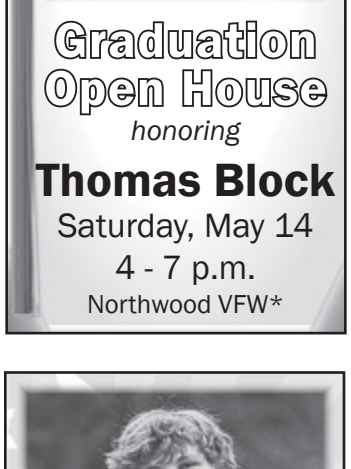
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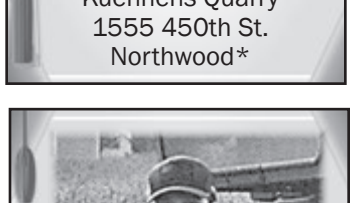
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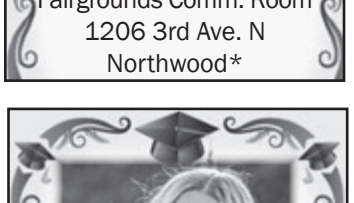
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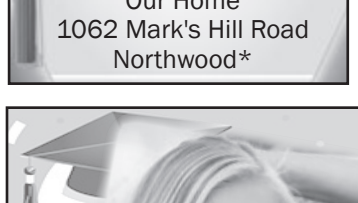
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Northwood Anchor

Opinion

Savvy Senior

How Medicare covers Alzheimer's Disease

Dear Savvy Senior,

What exactly does Medicare cover when it comes to Alzheimer's disease? My husband was recently diagnosed with early-stage Alzheimer's, and we would like to find out what's covered and what isn't.

Planning Ahead

Dear Planning,

I'm very sorry to hear about your husband's diagnosis, but you'll be happy to know that most medical costs to treat beneficiaries with Alzheimer's disease are covered by Medicare. Unfortunately, long-term custodial care costs that most patients eventually need are not. Here's a breakdown of what Medicare does and doesn't cover when it comes to Alzheimer's disease, along with some tips that can help you plan ahead.

Medical care: For the most part, ongoing medical care to diagnose and treat Alzheimer's disease is covered by Medicare Part B, including visits to primary care doctors and specialists, lab tests, speech and occupational therapy, home health care and outpatient counseling services. Medicare pays 80 percent of these costs, and you will be responsible for the remaining 20 percent after you've met your annual $233 Part B deductible.

Sixty days of inpatient hospital care is also covered under Medicare Part A after you pay a $1,556 deductible. Beyond 60 days, a daily coinsurance fee is added.

Medications: Most Alzheimer's medications are covered under Medicare's Part D prescription drug plans, but coverage varies so check his plan's formulary. The only exception is Aduhelm, the controversial new drug that is estimated to cost $28,200 per year. Medicare Part B will only cover this drug if your husband is enrolled in a clinical trial.

Long-term custodial care: It's important to understand that original Medicare does not cover long-term custodial care. This includes nursing home care, the costs of assisted living facilities and adult day care. Medicare does, however, pay for some shorter-term nursing home care, but only up to 100 days following a three-day inpatient hospital stay.

Hiring home help for bathing, toileting and dressing (this is known as custodial care) is not covered by Medicare either unless your husband is also receiving skilled-nursing care or physical or occupational therapy.

To help with these costs, you may want to look into getting a long-term care insurance policy or short-term care plan (see aaltci.org/stc) if possible, or if your income and assets are very limited, you may qualify for Medicaid. To investigate your financial options for long-term care, go to PayingForSeniorCare.com.

Hospice: In the final stages of the disease, Medicare Part A covers nearly all aspects of hospice care, including doctor services, nursing care, drugs, medical equipment and supplies, physical and occupational therapy, homemaker services, counseling and respite care. To qualify, a doctor must certify that a patient has six months or less to live.

Other Insurance and Assistance

If your husband is enrolled in original Medicare and he doesn't have a supplemental insurance (Medigap) policy, you should consider getting him one. A Medigap plan will help pay for things that aren't covered by Medicare like copayments, coinsurance and deductibles. To search for plans in your area, go to Medicare.gov/plan-compare and click on "Medigap policy only."

Or, if you're enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan (like an HMO or PPO), his plan must provide him at least the same coverage as original Medicare does. Some advantage plans may also offer additional coverage for home care services.

If you can't afford your Medicare out-of-pocket costs or need help with medication expenses, there are Medicare Savings Programs and the Extra Help program that provide financial assistance for medications. To learn more, see Medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs.

You can also get help through your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see ShipHelp.org or call 877-839-2675), which provides free Medicare and long-term care counseling.

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

You make a sound argument.

Really? You never agree with me.

That's because your arguments are nothing but sound.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. It's May. It may be sunny, it may be cloudy, it may be rainy, it may be calm, it may be windy. I remind myself that we rent the weather by the day. There is greening galore in May—and there is Mother's Day. I miss my mother. If someone said something nice about me, my father was happy to hear it, but my mother believed it.

I worked in Austin, Texas, helping to keep Austin weird. I went to a BBQ joint—calling it a joint in a complimentary way. The restaurant barbecued everything, including my eating utensils. It was all good. Austin is famous for its music and musicians performed everywhere I went. The city is also known for its love of winged animals taking wing at sunset. Late July/early August is the peak season when 1.5 million Mexican free-tailed bats fly out from the Congress Avenue Bridge to hunt insects. In the early 1980s, when only 350,000 people lived in Austin, some feared a "rabies apocalypse" since the bats outnumbered the humans. Signatures were collected on petitions requesting the extermination of the colony. The bat colony was saved through education that quelled fears. No apocalypse occurred. I took photos of the bats. Click-and-release.

The bags took a wrong turn at Eagan

My wife and I went to Israel. We waited in several lines to learn that our luggage hadn't been lost on the way there, it had been misrouted. It had taken a wrong turn out of the MSP airport. It took a while for it to catch up with us. The airline acted quickly and gave us everything we needed: a small, reusable plastic bag featuring their name, a toothbrush that came in two pieces, rock-hard toothpaste, lip balm, papery slippers and an eye mask. The amenity kit was a kit without a caboodle. It was everything we had (plus purchased T-shirts) until our bags found us four days later. I used the eye mask while pretending our bags were with us.

I've learned

When some people weigh in, the conversation gets heavy.

There are few things rarer than people who are at their ideal weight.

Vital visitations

I spoke at Brick-Meger Funeral Home's 125th anniversary in Owatonna. I've put many miles on in funeral homes while paying respects to those important to me. Giffy Olson was the funeral director, furniture store operator, postmaster and city clerk in Hartland when I was a small boy. I have recollections of accompanying my parents to visitations there. Most of the dearly departed seemed older than the hills. They weren't. I learned about them and their lives by traveling to and past a casket. Life is a series of tossing rocks into a lake and learning from the resulting ripples.

Bad joke department

If Ralph is 83 and his wife is 23, how much money does Ralph have?

So what if you don't know what "apocalypse" means? It's not the end of the world.

I was asked, "What's the ninth letter of the alphabet?" I took a guess and I was right.

Nature notes

I felt a vernal urge to ramble through ephemeral wildflowers and walked in the woods of wisdom past bloodroot, Dutchman's breeches, anemone and trout lily. I watched mourning cloak (which hibernates as an adult in Minnesota) and red admiral butterflies feeding on tree sap.

I see the last juncos in my yard in May each year. Other native sparrows pass through: fox, white-throated, white-crowned, Harris's and Lincoln's. I saw native sparrows that remain here—song, field (it seems as if I'm hearing them everywhere), swamp, vesper and chipping. I'll plan on seeing savannah, grasshopper, and clay-colored sparrows on breeding bird surveys I do and hope to see or hear a Henslow's. House sparrows, which were called English sparrows in my youth, aren't natives and aren't related to our native sparrows.

April typically marks the beginning of the high-risk season for oak wilt. This year's cold spring delayed the onset of the season. The DNR recommends not pruning oaks from April through July as a preventative measure to curb the spread of the deadly oak wilt disease.

It was an honor to have Ray Brown read my nature tales on radio stations in Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut, Vermont and Rhode Island. I'm a humbled hick.

Meeting adjourned

In a world that doesn't always make sense, kindness does.

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Fit to print...

Annoyed: How to keep everyday irritations from wrecking your day

By Michael Bugeja
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We live, work and learn in an increasingly aggravating environment.

Robocalls rank among the top petty annoyances. We may overlook one or two, but several in a day can trigger ire.

Americans receive close to 4 billion robocalls per month, on track for 47 billion robocalls by the end of the year.

The content of calls is disturbing, but the timing can be even more so.

You're preparing a meal, watching Netflix or enjoying another's company when the cell phone vibrates — someone wants to indict you for tax fraud, extend your car warranty or report an unauthorized Amazon charge.

Arg.

The word "annoy" comes to us from the French, "enoiier," which means to weary or vex. Webster's defines it as "to disturb or irritate especially by repeated acts."

Depending on party affiliation, you'll get political texts and calls — a communique from House Speaker Nancy Pelosi or an urgent message from Sen. Charles Grassley.

Americans received an estimated 18.5 billion political text messages in 2020, and there's little you can do to stop them. Unfortunately, the National Do Not Call Registry does not apply to politics. Neither can you bar charities and debt collectors from contacting you as they are exempt from the Federal Trade Commission's blocking list.

And then there is the mobile phone itself. Among the top annoyances are battery life, software updates and passwords. Once again, time, place and occasion dictate the level of exasperation. Your phone dies during an important call or updates and wipes out your passwords so you have to remember them again.

The password guessing game is infuriating. You get three chances to recall a password before you're blocked and now must call the facility or organization to be reinstated digitally.

Then there is two-factor identification, increasingly used by schools and businesses. You can't simply sit at the computer anymore and get to work; you have to find your phone and affirm, "Yes, it's me."

We also are annoyed face-to-face.

According to one study, top irritants include bosses requesting urgent work, no toilet paper left, empty milk cartons in fridge, friends canceling plans at last minute, and encountering someone you dislike at the supermarket.

Journalism annoys, too. Former Des Moines Register columnist Kyle Munson listed these bothersome cliches:

Familiar with the situation. "I'm always glad that the reporter didn't rely on an unnamed source who was unfamiliar with the situation."

War chest. "If political writers want to get cute, I vote that they replace it with the term 'piggy bank.'"

Amid. "Amid these turbulent times, a little less 'amid' would make me happy. And we can ditch of 'turbulent times' while we're at it."

(For the record, my most annoying news phrase is "take a listen.")

A Marist poll reported in December 2021 that "Trump" and "coronavirus" were among the most maddening terms, replacing "whatever" for the first time in more than a decade. Other annoying words included "Critical Race Theory," "woke," "cancel culture" and "It is what it is."

Americans have a hard time trusting the news. The least trustworthy anchors in descending order are Sean Hannity (Fox News), Rachel Maddow (MSNBC), Don Lemon (CNN), Mika Brzezinski (MSNBC), Chris Matthews (MSNBC), Joe Scarborough (MSNBC), Tucker Carlson (Fox News), Chris Cuomo (CNN), Laura Ingraham (Fox News) and Anderson Cooper (CNN).

Cooper also was listed as among "the most trusted" after NBC's Lester Holt, indicating how divided viewers are in ranking the news.

Considering worldwide disease and war, we might wonder why these trivial annoyances hijack our emotions, sometimes leading to outbursts that jeopardize character and reputation.

According to Psychology Today, "A minor irritation, a 'petty annoyance,' can be the straw that breaks the camel's back under chronic stress." We are asked to put things into perspective, think positively, be patient, avoid antagonistic people and understand moods, including our own.

People have been trying to tame emotions for millennia.

Stoicism, an ancient branch of philosophy, encourages us to face our feelings in a mindful way. One Stoic meditation that can help with annoyance is called the "premeditatio malorum." Stoicism accepts that bad things can happen in life and urges one to imagine worst-case scenarios in logical, unemotional detail. If those bad things do indeed come to pass, then we can act quickly with purpose rather than be surprised and react with anger.

Marcus Aurelius, Roman emperor and philosopher, believed we have power over our mind, not external events. In his book, Meditations, he writes: "Begin in the morning by saying to thyself, I shall meet with the busy-body, the ungrateful, arrogant, deceitful, envious, unsocial." Accept that as fact, he states, because being vexed at everything goes against human nature.

Do not take petty annoyances to heart. Rather, he opines, overlook the failings of others and "remember that all is opinion."

Especially robocalls.

Northwood Anchor Early Files

100 years ago

May 10, 1922

Miss Ida Anetta Fenney, one of Worth County's most popular girls and competent school teachers, was united in wedlock to Mr. Martin Roisen on May 6 at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Fenney, southwest of Northwood. Rev. Carl Ylvisaker of the Northwood Lutheran church performed the ceremony.

Little Miss Frances Bakketun, after a four weeks stay in the hospital at Albert Lea following a dangerous appendical operation performed on Easter, returned home in excellent physical condition and was delighted to find a new member of the family, which has arrived during her absence from home.

The Northwood W.C.T.U. has recently placed in the high school building here a copy of the Ten Commandments, in large type, and a framed picture of Frances E. Willard. Miss Willard's name is known throughout other countries as well as our own.

Postmaster C.W. Remore reached another milestone in life's pathway and in honor of the occasion his sister, Mrs. O.F. Perkinsm, arranged a surprise for him at the Perkins home. Mr. Remore's children, Mrs. Earl Glanville, Miss Faye Remore and H.H. Remore of Mason City, drove up and helped carry out the spurs and partake of a picnic dinner.

The Albert Lea Daily Tribune says: Some of our local fishermen have been wondering why there is no fishing in the lower lake and hasn't been for the past three years. C.W. Turnbull thought he would make an investigation. He drove down to Northwood and on looking over the new dam across the Shell Rock River, found that no fishway had been provided. All the fish have gone from the lower lake, down the Shell Rock River and over the dam. Consequently the lower lake has been depleted and Fountain Lake is fast losing what fish it has.

75 years ago

May 8, 1947

Northwood's new street flushing machine, which arrived, gave excellent satisfaction on its first tryout on the pavement on Central Avenue, according to Street Commissioner Conrad L. Olson. "The street looked the best it has for a long time," was the comment of business men.

An addition to the grandstand at the Worth County Fairgrounds to extend that structure 44 feet to the north was authorized at a recent meeting of the board of directors. Lewis Horvei, Reuben Rustad and Thomas A. Johnson, members of the building committee, were authorized to proceed with the preliminaries as soon as convenient. This extension will add one-third to the present structure and bring the seating capacity to approximately 1,400 for the enlarged structure.

H.L. McKinley of St. Ansgar, well known in Northwood and Worth County, is named in the May 10 issue of Liberty magazine as one of several specialists in agricultural and livestock production averaging $200,000 a year. Mr. McKinley is named as a specialist in cabbage raising in the article printed. In addition to his agricultural activities, Mr. McKinley operates an implement business at St. Ansgar and Osage. His sons are associated with him in his various enterprises.

Supt. Ernest A. Prehm, whose resignation as head of the Northwood schools was announced last week, has accepted a position as superintendent of schools at Jefferson, Iowa, effective on July 1. Mr. Prehm has headed the Northwood school system for the past 17 years.

Miss Alice Gabriel, daughter of Mrs. Martha Gabriel of Northwood, and Donald Ritter, son of Mr. O.R. Ritter of Portland, Ore., were married on Wednesday evening of last week by the Rev. Roy Helfenstein, pastor of the Mason City Congregational Church, at his parsonage home in that city.

50 years ago

May 11, 1972

Boyd Engbritson, owner of Boyd Implement Company, Northwood Dodge car and truck, John Deere farm equipment and Firestone dealer, has been named Chrysler-Plymouth dealer for the local area. Tom Lenz, Chrysler, Plymouth and GMC truck dealer for seven years has sold the franchise to Engbritson, effective immediately. The service department at the present store on Central Avenue will remain open, according to Engbritson, Art Bendickson will remain as serviceman.

McKiness Excavating and Grading Co. has started installing 38 inch tile in the Deer Creek Watershed. This year's work began near the county road east of the Joe Gerk farm in Barton Township.

Three former Northwood-Kensett students have been named to the academic honor lists at Mankato State College, Mankato, Minn. Curt Flatness, a freshman student, was named to the High honor list with a straight "A" average. Ronald Jaspers and Donald Anderson earned at 3.5 or better grade point. Both are juniors at Mankato State.

Jon Fredrickson, freshman at Waldorf College, Forest City, has been awarded the Irwin Z. Hyland Scholarship for the coming year. He was also elected vice-president of the student body and appointed a residence advisor for next year. He graduated from N-K and made his home with his aunt and uncle, the Sophus Hendricksons.

Mr. and Mrs. Peder Anderson of North Sixth Street observed their golden wedding anniversary in a rather quiet way on May 7. The Andersons are expecting to mark the event later this summer when their children and grandchildren can be present. They are the parents of six children. The couple were married at the home of the bride in Horton, Kansas, on May 7, 1922.

25 years ago

May 7, 1997

Children's Garden preschool students Sarah Hovey and Briar Tenold got out their umbrellas, raincoats and boots to celebrate the last of April's showers. Northwood received just over a half-inch of rain in the past week.

Worth County farmers had at least half of their 1997 corn crop planted by last weekend. So if the rain holds off and the sun stays out and temperatures remain relatively warm, they could hit Saturday's traditional May 10 target date right on the nose. The two-inch rainfall slowed fieldwork some, but generally speaking, Mother Nature has been working hand-in-hand with area crop producers.

Northwood Ag Products employee Alan Anderson had plenty of room to maneuver while applying herbicide with the firm's "Rogator" apparatus in Donald Janseen's cornfield east of town. If Mother Nature continues to cooperate, Worth County farmers should have practically all of their corn planted by this weekend.

Jared Gordon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gail Gordon of Kensett, received the John and Viola Olson Scholarship at the annual Honors Day Convocation this spring at Waldorf College in Forest City.

Northwood-Kensett High School senior Jenny Timmerman, classmate Meredith Jensen and Northwood attorney Phil Norland played respective roles as the prosecuting attorney, a witness and the judge during the annual senior court day exercise in the Worth County District Court chambers. Approximately 80 N-K and North Central seniors attended, with 24 playing the various roles involved in standard courtroom proceedings.

This team of Northwood-Kensett fifth grade boys finished the 1997 basketball season with a 22-4 won-lost record that included five tournament championships. The teammates are Dane Hanson, Derek Love, Joey Bedford, Brandon Weisert, Cory Buehrer, Nicholas Hovey, Scott Butler, Doug Millard and Lee Nelson.

10 years ago

May 9, 2012

As they readied themselves to leave N-K behind, Dylan Nitcher, Tanner Haberman, and Courtney Eliertson were prepared to "branch out" for the future ahead. The three will join 41 classmates as they march down the N-K aisle during graduation ceremonies on Sunday.

In recent weeks a string of break-ins have left the homes and property in a small area of Northwood burglarized and vandalized. The crimes took place in an area of homes in the southeast part of the city. There were three reported burglaries, with the burglar looking for money primarily, and in one case a car was keyed while it was in a closed garage.

The Northwood-Kensett Math Club hosted its last chess tournament of the year recently. The high school winner was Darin Duryee over Gage Tenold. Darin is a senior and has dominated the board. The junior high winner was Chloe Breitsprecher over Calli Christiansen.

Graduation is accompanied by a number of traditions. That includes senior tea, a tradition since the 1930s, attended by graduating senior ladies and their mothers and mother figures. For several years, members of the Twenties Club have hosted the senior tea. Pictured at last Thursday's senior tea at the Northwood Country Club, Twenties Club member Sharyl Lunde, graduating senior Jami Dahlby and her mother, Teri Dahlby.

Last week students in Northwood-Kensett kindergarten classes paid a visit to Northwood dentist David Penfold. While there the students got a chance to take a tour of the dentist's office and learn about some of the work that goes on there. They also learned and reviewed information about dental hygiene, and had a chance to ask Dr. Penfold questions about the care of their teeth.

Northwood Anchor Obituaries

Rebecca VanHorn

Rebecca Sue VanHorn was welcomed home by the Lord on April 29, 2022.

She was a loving mother and daughter. She is remembered by her daughter, Jaclyn Garcia and her son, Kevin VanHorn.

She has returned home to her sister, Debra Johann; her mother, Diane VanHorn and Father Jack Vanhorn.



REBECCA VANHORN

Ceremony will be held at Schroeder and Sites Funeral Home on May 14, 2022 at 4 p.m. with Rev. Randy Baldwin officiating. There will be a gathering at Worth Brewing Company for those that like to visit with the family on May 14 from 5 – 7 p.m. Hotel rooms are put aside at Country Inn and Suites, 711 Diamond Jo Lane, Northwood for Friday and Saturday under VanHorn.

In lieu of flowers please direct your memorials to the family. Cards can be mailed to 304 12th Street South Northwood, IA 50459.

Joseph Scherff

Joseph Edward Scherff, 84, died on Saturday, May, 7, 2022, at Good Shepherd Healthcare Center.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 12, 2022, at Bethel United Methodist Church, 503 S. East St., Manly, with Pastor Cory Allard. Burial will take place later on in Graceland Cemetery, Creston, Iowa.

Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church from 10 to 11 a.m.

Joe was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois. He graduated from Chicago Vocational High School in 1958. During his time in high school he became certified in AirCraft Power Plant mechanics, Air Logic and was a member of the Illinois National Guard. He served in the United States Navy, training pilots that flew onto and off aircraft carriers. Some of the carriers he trained for were the USS Bennington CV-10, USS Oriskany CV-34, USS Anketan CV-30 and USS Box Homme Richard CV-31. Joe not only trained but he flew an F9F8 Cougar Plane. Joe served for four years from 1958, until his honorable discharge in December of 1962, leaving as a tradesman second class.



JOSEPH SCHERFF

On June 21, 1969, he married Dixie Ramsbottom, in Creston, Iowa. Together the couple had one daughter, Angela Taylor. In the early 70s the family made Manly, Iowa, their home of 40 plus years. Throughout these years he became an industrial electrician, a husband, a father and a grandfather. Joe worked for Northwestern States Portland Cement Company, which eventually was renamed Holman; Holcim until his retirement in December of 2002.

He was once an active member of the Bethel United Methodist Church, American Legion of Manly, the Manly Lions, and a modular railroad club. Joe enjoyed building model railroads. Joe was an avid football supporter, he especially liked the Chicago Bears and Minnesota Vikings. It was a common occurrence that Joe had a cup of coffee in his hand, occasionally it was when he was assisting on the farm. He also had a thirst for knowledge and reading non-fiction books helped him become an expert on many subjects. Those who knew Joe will remember him for always willing to lend a helping hand in a time of need.

Those left to cherish memories of Joe are his loving wife of 52 years, Dixie Scherff; children, Angela (Tracy) Taylor of Chariton, Iowa, Joseph Scherff Jr. of Northwood, Iowa, and Catherine Johnstone of Chicago, Ill.; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Rhonda Giles; brother-in-law, Dwight Giles; and nieces and nephews, Tricia (John) Otten, Kelsey and Garrett.

Joe is preceded in death by his mother, Henrietta; and a son, Ronald Scherff.

MercyOne in need of volunteers, recruiting in several areas

National Volunteer Week is held annually each April and MercyOne was proud to celebrate the many volunteers who help its hospitals operate.

Volunteer opportunities vary and include greeting and escorting patients and visitors, assisting customers at the gift shop or cancer center boutique.

"We are in great need of volunteers. Whether you're a high school or college student, have recently retired or are just looking to help the community, we have something for you," said Stephanie Duckert, manager of volunteer services at MercyOne North Iowa. "We enjoy meeting people who can offer their time and unique talents to help carry out our mission."

MercyOne is currently recruiting the following positions at MercyOne North Medical Center:

- Escort - assist patients and visitors with where they need to go
- Cancer Center Boutique - ring up sales, provide customer service
- Spiritual Care - Communion, Initial Visitors
- Special Projects

Volunteers must be at least 16 years old and are required to have a health assessment at MercyOne employee health. Volunteers must also have been vaccinated against COVID-19 or have a qualified medical exemption. A TB test and a blood draw to prove immunities to communicable diseases are required. The TB test and blood draw will be done at MercyOne at no charge to the volunteer.

Those interested can find more information and an application online by visiting MercyOne's website.

The Constituent Connection



Waylon Brown
State Senator
District 26

88th General Assembly:

One of the things I have been working on this year is the governor's biofuels access legislation, a major priority of hers and something that's become an even more important topic now that gas prices are soaring. I was proud to see this bill make its way through the Senate this week and show Iowa is a leader in this industry. House File 2128 implements new fuel standards in Iowa and requires gas stations to sell E-15. The bill allows various exemptions if a retailer is unable to meet these requirements, including a suspension by the governor or several waivers through the Department of Agriculture.

This bill will expand access to renewable fuels, boost incomes for Iowa farmers, and give more choice to Iowa consumers. The ethanol industry is indispensable to Iowa's economy. This bill supports the ethanol industry, agriculture, and shows Iowa is a leader in ethanol and biofuels.

Throughout discussions on this legislation, we heard many concerns from smaller retailers who might not have the finances they would need to make the necessary upgrades to meet the requirements in the bill. To address these issues and help prioritize support for smaller retailers that dispense less than 450,000 gallons per year, the bill makes changes to the Renewable Fuel Infrastructure Program (RFIP) to help retail sites install, replace, or convert infrastructure to help meet these new requirements. It also provides small retailers with an additional exemption based on a site's average fuel sales.

As the nation looks for ways to combat high gas prices, Iowa will be leading the way in showing the importance of renewable fuels. Iowa is the first state in the nation to pass this kind of legislation and take these steps toward energy independence. House File 2128 is a good bill for Iowa and Iowa farmers, and supports nearly 40,000 jobs in our rural communities. It passed the Iowa Senate 42-3 on Tuesday and passed the Iowa House later that day. It now goes to Governor Reynolds for her signature.

Along with child care legislation and the biofuels bill, important unemployment reforms were also passed by the legislature this week. With the progress of these bills, we are several steps closer to adjourning for the year.

MercyOne Air Med coordinating blood drives

MercyOne Air Med is partnering with LifeServe Blood Center, Iowa's largest nonprofit community based blood center, to host blood drives in three regions across the state. The donation event, called "Answering the Call to Save Lives" will be held this Friday, May 13, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in Des Moines, Mason City and Sioux City.

LifeServe bloodmobiles will accept blood donations at MercyOne helipads at MercyOne Des Moines Medical Center and MercyOne Siouxland Medical Center. Donations in MercyOne's North Iowa region will be at the LifeServe donor center in Mason City.

Potential donors can sign up online for an appointment, meet the flight teams and tour the helicopters. Food trucks will be available to grab a bite before or after donating.

All donors will receive an event T-shirt and prizes will be given at each location.

Blood products are crucial to hospitals and EMS systems. When MercyOne Air Med helicopters launch on lifesaving missions, units of blood are on board. Recently, heavier seasonal blood needs and the COVID-19 pandemic tightened available blood supplies. "We appreciate the willingness of our colleagues and community members to answer the call to save lives," said MercyOne Air Med flight nurse Heather Goedken. "Their blood donations matter when they are needed most."

Held in previous years in Des Moines, the MercyOne Air Med blood drive has become one of LifeServe's largest donor events. Expanding to MercyOne Air Med's additional service areas is promising.

"MercyOne is passionate about recruiting blood donors because they see the direct impact it makes to their lifesaving work every single day," said Danielle West, LifeServe Blood Center Director of Public Relations and Marketing.

MercyOne Air Med serves more than two-thirds of Iowa and is available 24/7 for on-scene emergency and hospital-to hospital transport. MercyOne can provide rapid transportation for anyone who requests service within an approximate 150-mile radius of our helicopter bases.

People's Right To Know

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Notice

The annual report of the Janssen Family Charitable Trust is available at the address noted below for inspection during normal business hours by any citizen who so requests within 180 days after publication of this notice of its availability.

Janssen Family Charitable Trust
736 Central Avenue
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The Principal Manager is:
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Telephone: 641-324-1327

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Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR WORTH COUNTY
CASE NO. EQCV012816
ORIGINAL NOTICE
BY PUBLICATION

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
Plaintiff,
v.
BENJAMIN A. BAILEY; SPOUSE OF BENJAMIN A. BAILEY, IF ANY;
and PARTIES IN POSSESSION,
Defendants.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT: BENJAMIN A. BAILEY; SPOUSE OF BENJAMIN A. BAILEY, IF ANY; AND PARTIES IN POSSESSION

You are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court in and for Worth County, Iowa, a Foreclosure Petition (Equity) in the above-entitled action which prays for an in rem judgment in the amount of $57,246.54, plus interest as it accrues, the costs of this action, and that said sums be declared a first lien upon the following described premises located in Worth County, Iowa, to wit:

A tract of real estate lying and being situated in the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section Three (3), in Township Ninety-Eight (98) North, of Range Nineteen (19), West of the 5th P.M., Worth County, Iowa, described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at a point Two (2) Rods North and Eight Hundred Thirty (830) feet West of the Southeast corner of said Section Three (3); running thence North 9 ½ Rods, thence East 110 feet; thence South 9 ½ Rods; thence West 110 feet to Place of Beginning.

That the Mortgage on the above-described real estate be foreclosed, that a Special Execution issue for the sale of as much of the mortgaged premises as is necessary to satisfy the judgment and for such other relief as the Court may deem just and equitable. The attorney for Plaintiff is Donald J. Pavelka, Jr., whose address is Suite 401, 421 West Broadway, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503, Telephone: (712) 256-5566.

You are further notified that unless you file a Motion or Answer on or before Tuesday, June 7, 2022, in the Iowa District Court for Worth County at the courthouse located at 1000 Central Avenue, Northwood, Iowa 50459, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

This case has been filed in a county that utilizes electronic filing. You should refer to (i) Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16 for general rules and information on electronic filing; and (ii) Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16, division VI regarding protection of personal information in court filings.

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IMPORTANT - YOU ARE ADVISED TO SEEK LEGAL ADVICE AT ONCE TO PROTECT YOUR INTERESTS

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Supervisors

May 5, 202
Special Session

The Worth County Board of Supervisors met in special session pursuant to adjournment with Mark Smeby, Enos Loberg and A.J. Stone, present. Will Reasoner and Jeff Greve were present via Zoom. All members voting "AYE" unless noted.

Meeting called to order by Smeby.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to proceed into closed session under Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c) – to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. Roll Call Vote: Stone-AYE, Loberg-AYE, Smeby-AYE. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to go out of closed session. Motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:57 p.m.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Mark Smeby, Chairperson

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
CASE NO. ESPR009320
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELLEN BJELLAND, Deceased

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Ellen Bjelland, Deceased, who died on or about April 8, 2022:

You are hereby notified that on April 27, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Ellen Bjelland, deceased, bearing date of March 12, 2002, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Thomas J. Bjelland, Paul G. Bjelland and Mary B. Orban 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 of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is 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 date of 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 5-5-2022.

Thomas J. Bjelland
503 Easy St.
West Union, IA 52175
Executor of Estate

Paul G. Bjelland
4732 Bluebill Ave.
Lake Mills, Ia 50450
Executor of Estate

Mary B. Orban
10303 665th Ave.
Emmons, MN 56029
Executor of Estate

Timothy A. Casperson
ICIS#AT0001472
Casperson Law Office, PLC
102 N. 2nd Ave. W.
Lake Mills, IA 50450
Attorney for Executors

Date of second publication 18th day of May, 2022.

19-2t

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET
City of NORTHWOOD
Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

The City of NORTHWOOD will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022

Meeting Date/Time: 5/23/2022 06:00 PM | **Contact:** Amber Julseth | **Phone:** (641) 324-1075

Meeting Location: City Hall

There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing.

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	1	676,672	0	676,672
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Net Current Property Tax	3	676,672	0	676,672
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	4	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	300,000	0	300,000
Other City Taxes	6	233,055	0	233,055
Licenses & Permits	7	24,500	0	24,500
Use of Money & Property	8	20,600	0	20,600
Intergovernmental	9	310,528	0	310,528
Charges for Service	10	1,440,559	0	1,440,559
Special Assessments	11	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	12	984,328	0	984,328
Other Financing Sources	13	0	0	0
Transfers In	14	688,000	0	688,000
Total Revenues & Other Sources	15	4,678,242	0	4,678,242
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Public Safety	16	406,404	5,000	411,404
Public Works	17	597,299	0	597,299
Health and Social Services	18	16,155	0	16,155
Culture and Recreation	19	399,144	0	399,144
Community and Economic Development	20	778,050	-150,000	628,050
General Government	21	207,683	6,000	213,683
Debt Service	22	227,000	3,000	230,000
Capital Projects	23	0	40,000	40,000
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	2,631,735	-96,000	2,535,735
Business Type/Enterprise	25	1,379,059	18,000	1,397,059
Total Gov Activities & Business Expenditures	26	4,010,794	-78,000	3,932,794
Tranfers Out	27	688,000	0	688,000
Total Expenditures/Transfers Out	28	4,698,794	-78,000	4,620,794
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	-20,552	78,000	57,448
Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2021	30	2,359,332	2,359,332	4,718,664
Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2022	31	2,338,780	2,437,332	4,776,112

Explanation of Changes: Increases in expenditures: Public safety-Utilities; General Government-Insurance; Debt Service-Service fees; Capital Projects-ARPA Funds; Business Type/Enterprise-Transit
Decrease in Community & Economic Development-School Street

Supervisors

May 2, 2022
Eighteenth 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 April 25, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to approve the Resolution for the Approval of the Wheelerwood Ave Paving Project and County Engineer. Roll Call: Stone-aye; Loberg-aye; Smeby-aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2022.05.02.01
APPROVAL OF THE WHEELERWOOD AVE. PAVING PROJECT and COUNTY ENGINEER AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN CONTRACT DOCUMENT IN DOC EXPRESS

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa, hereafter referred to as "the Board", believes the WHEELERWOOD AVE. PAVING PROJECT, FM-C098(82)—55-98, hereafter referred to as "the project" is in the best interest of Worth County, Iowa, and the residents there of. The project is defined as HMA RESURFACING WITH MILLING; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Worth County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board to accept the bid from HEARTLAND ASPHALT, INC., in the amount of $879,237.70 and awards the associated contract to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of the Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the dated of its approval as provided by law;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Worth County Board of Supervisors, that, after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, Richard Brumm, the County Engineer for Worth County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

Adopted this 2nd day of May 2022.

The vote on the resolution:
Aye : Stone, Loberg, Smeby
Nay: N/A
Abstain: N/A

MARK SMEBY
Chair, Board of Supervisors
Attest:
JACKI A. BACKHAUS
County Auditor

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve the Resolution for the Destruction of Noxious Weeds as presented by Mike Bode, Weed Commissioner. Roll Call: Stone-aye; Loberg-aye; Smeby-aye. Motion carried. The auditor was directed to publish the notice for 2022 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 317 of the Code of Iowa.

RESOLUTION FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF NOXIOUS WEEDS
2022 CROP YEAR

Be it resolved, by the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa, that pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 317 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, it is hereby ordered:

1. That each owner and each person in the possession or control of any land in Worth County, Iowa, shall cut, burn or otherwise destroy all noxious weeds thereon, as defined in this chapter, at such time in each year and in such manner as shall prevent said weeds from blooming or coming into maturity and shall keep such lands free from such growth of any other weeds as shall render the streets or highways adjoining said lands unsafe for public travel. Noxious weeds shall be cut, or otherwise destroyed.

Primary noxious weeds, which shall include: quack grass, bull thistle, perennial sow thistle, horse nettle, Canada thistle, leafy spurge, perennial pepper-grass, European morning glory or field bindweed, Russian knapweed, buckthorn and palmer amaranth

Secondary noxious weeds, which shall include: butterprint annual, wild carrot biennial & perennial, sour dock perennial, multiflora rose, teasel biennial, cocklebur annual, buckthorn perennial, smooth dock perennial, wild sunflower annual, shattercane annual, wild mustard annual, sheep sorrel, poison hemlock and puncture vine annual

2. That all weeds on county trunk and local county roads and between fence lines thereof will be taken care of by the county.

3. That if the owners or persons in possession or control of any lands in Worth County fail to comply with the forgoing order, the Weed Commissioner shall cause this to be done and that the expense of said work, including costs of serving notices and other costs, if any, to be assessed against the real estate.

4. That the county auditor be and is hereby directed to cause notice of the making and entering of the forgoing order by publication in each of the official newspapers of the county by request of County Weed Commissioner, Mike Bode at 1000 Central Ave, Northwood, IA (641) 390-0268.

5. The Weed Commissioner be given full authority and power to carry out the provisions of the resolution.

Published upon order of the Worth County Board of Supervisors, Mark Smeby, Chair, this 2nd Day of May, 2022.

Attest: Jacki A. Backhaus, County Auditor

WORTH COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to accept the bid from Peterson Excavating & Drainage Inc. for $26,954.00 to repair the Deer Creek Section 33 Drainage Ditch Washout at 470th ST and Vine Ave, Drainage District #34. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve claims in the amount of $35,865.19, as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Access Systems Leasing
Service-Dap 98.50
Alliant Energy
Service-Gsr 7,011.52
Bice Electric Llc
Service-Gsr 266.52
Black Hills Energy Inc
Service-Eng 1,509.02
Bomgaars Supply, Inc
Supplies-Con 29.98
Cemstone Concrete Materials, Llc
Sand-Eng 300.46
Central Tank Coatings, Inc
Service-Wat 3,230.00
Cindy Thompson
Reimb-Asr 72.75
Compass Minerals
Rock-Eng 8,424.34
Eilertson Repair
Service-Con 244.68
Ia Dept Of Transportation
Supplies-Eng 1,106.00
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf 76.51
Liberty Tire Recycling Llc
Service-Eng 2,067.86
Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Dap 85.12
Mediacom, Service-Gsr 269.20
Northwood Chiropractic, Pc
Service-Shf 65.00
Northwood Sanitation Llc
Service-Gsr 191.50
Reinhart Food Service Llc
Supplies-Shf 608.02
Reserve Account
Postage-Asr 197.02
Staples Credit Plan
Supplies 223.09
Thomas Reid, Reimb-Vaf ... 970.34
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc
Service-Cap 3,218.00
Winnebago Co Auditor
Service-Soc 4,947.44
Worth County Engineer
Fuel-Phd 652.32
Grand Total 35,865.19

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve the Worth County Payee Program 04/04/2022 and WHW County Social Service Relief Guidelines 04/04/2022 as presented by Ruth Melby, Interim Director, WHW County Social Services. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve Payroll Eligibility Verification for Jason Athey at $16.15/hour as submitted by the sheriff. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to to approve the agreement between Worth County and Gardiner + Company, PC to perform the annual audit of the County for the years ending June 30, 2022 through June 30, 2026. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to adjourn at 9:30 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Mark Smeby, Chairperson

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How do you spell B-E-E?

Students from the area recently traveled to Clear Lake to see whose spelling skills were up to the test, with the annual North Iowa Regional Spelling Bee. After taking part at the school bee, (from left) Mia Fierova, Ivy Toresdahl, Feyre Grunhovd and Cayleigh Peppers moved on to the regional competition to join the 39 spellers taking part. At the event, Peppers and Toresdahl made it into the top 12 spellers.

Viking trap team improves on the road, at Viking Open

By Dean Mueller
N-K trap coach

Monday, May 2, the Vikings trap team participated in a quadrangular at the Mitchell County Trap Range. Schools attending were Osage, Riceville, Garner-Hayfield-Ventura and Northwood-Kensett.

GHV won the event with a score of 223, second was Osage with 220, third was Riceville with 219 and fourth was NK with 216.

Women's champion was Alexa Thayer (O) with a 45, second was Hailey Smith (GHV) with 44 and third was Caitlyn (GHV) with 42.

Men's champion was Haydan Pestorious (NK) with 47 (23), second was Sean (R) with 47 (18) and third was Ben Popp (O) with 46 (22) and fourth was Collin Houg (NK) 46 (17). Haydan defeated Sean in a shoot off for first and Ben defeated Colin Houge in the shoot off for third.

Even though N-K was last in the team standings, they shot better than they have in the last two weeks. Top scorers for the Vikings were Haydan Pestorious 47, Collin Houg 46, Brody Pace 44, Aiden Moretz 40 and Tyler Wunderlich and Loghan Nelson each shot a 39.

On Thursday, May 5, the Vikings traveled to Florence Park to shoot with Lake Mills and Garner-Hayfield-Ventura.

Lake Mills won the event with a score of 212, second was GHV with 204 and the Vikings posted a 195.

The five high scores for the Vikings were Haydan Pestorious 47, Collin Houg 41, Aiden Moretz 39, Will Tindall 36 and Loghan Nelson 32.

Catlyn B (LM) was the ladies' Champion, second was Jordaon C (GHV) 39 and third was Olivia W (LM) 38.

Men's champion was Haydan Pestorious (NK) with a 47. Tied for second were Andy R (GHV) with 45 and Brodie L (LM) with 45.

The Viking Open was held on May 7 at the Cedar Valley Conservation Club in Austin. Teams attending were Glenville-Emmons, Lake Mills, St Ansgar, Osage, Central Springs, Southland and Northwood-Kensett.

The first place team was Glennville-Emmons with a score of 223, second was Osage with a 222, third was Northwood-Kensett with a 220 and fourth was Lake Mills with a 214.

Top shooters for NK were Haydan Pestorious 46, Collin Houg 46, Haddie Hanson 43, Malachi Peckham 43 and Aiden Moretz 42.

Women's champion was Alexa Thayer (O) 47, second was Calli (GE) 45, third was Haddie Hanson (NK) with 43 and fourth was Hailey (LM) with 42.

Men's champion was Brodie (LM) with a score of 47, second was Haydan Pestorioous with 46 (23), third was Collin Houg (NK) with 46 (20) and fourth was Jace P (O) with 46 (19). Again, the score in parenthesis is the shoot off score from the 22 yard line.

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Bob and Marg Hengesteg*

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Anchor Sports

Davidson earns medalist honors, leads to Lady Vikings to win

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

Northwood-Kensett's Emma Davidson fired a seven over 43 to take home the top spot last Monday at Buffalo Run Golf Course in Nora Springs, helping secure her team's victory with 205 team points.

The Lady Vikings topped Osage (225) and RRMR (257) with numerous golfers scoring in the top eight, including Haddie Hanson (52, Peyton Wilder 53, Hayley Wallin (75) and Ella Leonard (59).

For the boys, the Vikings' Drew Wilder shot an impressive one over par 37 but was beat out by a pair of Green Devils, Heath Voigt with a one under 35 and Leo Klapperich with an even par 36.

Other N-K scores include Jason Hanson 44, Nick Hanson 46, Mason Thofson 48 and Breyden Hoeppner 48.

The boys and girls teams both start post-season play this week after Monday's Top of Iowa Conference meets in Greene (girls) and Northwood (boys) with the boys starting district action on Wednesday and the girls teeing off on Friday in the class 1A regional. Both tournaments are in Lake Mills this season.

Girls Team Scores at Buffalo Run – Northwood-Kensett 205, Osage 225, RRMR 257

Boys Team Scores at Buffalo Run – Osage 153, Northwood-Kensett 175, RRMR 209



Lady Viking Peyton Wilder makes a short chip shot onto the green last Monday in Nora Springs. The talented sophomore shot a 53, helping her team take top honors for the day.

Moore dominates the hurdles in final week of the regular season

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Northwood-Kensett girls track team competed in two meets last week, one of the few times this weather impacted season that the team has ran in more than one meet in any given week.

The Lady Vikings placed fourth last Monday at the Don Hoppel Relays in Garner and then followed that up with an outstanding fifth place finish last Thursday in Osage at the Top of Iowa Conference Meet.

N-K's Lindsey Moore, who has the grace of a ballerina gliding over the hurdles, shined in both meets last week, placing first and second in the 400 hurdles and the 100 hurdles in Garner while taking home the title at the TIC Meet in the 100 hurdles with a time of 16.21.

The talented sophomore ran the seventh best time in class 1A in the 400-hurdles at Nashua-Plainfield and is also a member of the 24th ranked 4x100 and the ninth ranked shuttle hurdle team, the same one that posted its time at Osage while taking home a second place medal with a time of 1:11.17.

Other individuals taking home medals at the TIC Meet included Chloe Costello in the 200 (6th); Carly Hengesteg in the 400 (4th) and the 400-hurdles (3rd); Mallory Rheingans in the 800 (6th); Megan Ocel in the 1,500 (3rd) and 3,000 (3rd); Morgan Wallin in the 100 hurdles (8th); Macy Thorson in the long jump (6th); Emma Logeman in the shot put (6th) and the discus (6th); and Tegan Johnson in the shot put (7th) and the discus (6th).

And while the Lady Vikings failed to crown any relay champions at the TIC Meet, they nonetheless were impressive, placing second in the 4x100, the distance medley and the shuttle hurdle.

The shuttle hurdle team of Hengesteg, Costello, Wallin and Moore turned in the ninth fastest time in class 1A at Osage last Thursday night.

Other relay teams taking home conference medals were the 4x200 (6th), the 4x400 (5th), the 4x800 (4th) and the sprint medley (5th).

Leading up to the TIC Meet the Lady Vikings competed in the annual Don Hoppel Relays in Garner, where they put in a very respectable performance, scoring 79 team points and taking home a fourth place medal.

Moore once again dominated the hurdle events but at this meet it was more of a team effort with many individuals scoring points for the team, including Laney Miles in the 100 (7th), Costello in the 200 (4th), Tepanga Hackenmiller in the 400 (8th), Rheingans in the 800 (7th), Ocel in the 1,500 (2nd), Hengesteg in the 400-hurdles (2nd), Logeman in the shot put (3rd) and the discus (4th) and Johnson in the shot put (4th) and discus (2nd).

Putting on a solid performance in the relays at Garner were the 4x100 (2nd), the 4x200 (6th), the 4x400 (5th), the 4x800 (2nd), the sprint medley (4th) and the distance medley (4th).

Like their male counterparts the lady Vikings got in a tune-up meet on Monday at Central Springs before competing at this Thursday's district meet held in Northwood.

Team Standings at Don Hoppel Relays – Forest City 132, Osage 124, Clear Lake 99, Northwood-Kensett 79, Hampton-Dumont-Dows 65, Garner-Hayfield/Ventura 45, Newman Catholic 21, Belmond-Klemme 11

Team Standings at TIC Meet – Osage 118, Nashua-Plainfield 105, Saint Ansgar 104, Central Springs 90, Northwood-Kensett 68, West Fork 64, North Butler 25, Newman Catholic 16, RRMR 0



N-K's Macy Thorson competes in the long jump last Thursday night at the TIC Meet in Osage. Thorson scored crucial points for the Lady Vikings with her sixth place finish.

Kliment sweeps hurdles events at Top of Iowa Conference Meet

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

After losing almost half of the season to the poor weather conditions, the Northwood-Kensett boys track team wrapped up the regular season last week with a fifth place finish at Garner-Hayfield/Ventura's Don Hoppel Relays and then closed it out with a solid fourth at last Thursday's Top of Iowa Conference Meet in Osage.

Despite the team's overall success, the Vikings crowned just one conference champion, senior Josiah Kliment, who took home the titles in both individual hurdle events, placing first in the 110-meter (15.73) and the 400-meter hurdles (57.44).

Kliment's blistering time in the 400-hurdles at Osage ranks as the 14th fastest time in the event this season in class 1A.

Picking up crucial points for the Vikings in individual events and taking home medals were Thomas Block in the 400 (2nd) and the 400-hurdles (6th); Kooper Julseth in the 800 (7th) and the high jump (3rd); Treycen Rollene in the 1,600 (4th); Jason Hanson in the high jump (4th); Dante Sims in the shot put (7th); Logan Mayberry in the discus (7th); and Justin Mills in the discus (8th).

As always, the Viking relay teams represented the school with distinction, placing in the top five in every event in a conference riddled with larger schools. N-K's top two relay teams at the TIC Meet were the second place 4x800 and the third place shuttle hurdle team.

The 4x800 team of Hayden Moore, Lamonte Sims, Julseth and Rollene ran the ninth fastest time in class 1A this season at the TIC Meet, completing the course with a time of 8:40.93.

Another relay looking to make a splash come time for state, the shuttle hurdle team of Moore, Drake Tiedemann, Block and Kliment still have the 15th fastest time in class 1A, clocking in at 1:05.72, a time they ran at North Union a few weeks ago.

Other relays taking home medals at the TIC Meet included the 4x100 (5th), the 4x200 (5th), the 4x400 (5th), the sprint medley (5th) and the distance medley (4th).

Heading into last Thursday's TIC Meet the Vikings recorded 63 team points and finished a solid fifth at the annual Don Hoppel Relays last Monday in Garner. At this meet, one that saw Clear Lake (130), Forest City (127), Hampton-Dumont-Dows (81) and Osage (69) finish in front of the Vikings, they nonetheless had numerous top finishes.

Kliment, who at this time is a safe bet to call one of the best hurdlers in class 1A, took home the team's only individual medal when he placed first in the 400 hurdles, crossing the line with a time of 58.83. The talented senior also placed second in the 110-hurdles, posting a time of 16.08.

Other Viking athletes earning medals at Don Hoppel were Lamonte Sims in the 800 (7th), Rollene in the 1,600 (4th) and the 3,200 (2nd), Block in the 110-hurdles (6th) and the 400-hurdles (2nd), Julseth in the high jump (7th), Dante Sims in the shot put (7th) and Mayberry in the discus (6th).

The Vikings had one tune-up meet at Central Springs on Monday before hosting a class 1A district meet on Thursday.

Team Standings at Don Hoppel Relays – Clear Lake 130, Forest City 127, Hampton-Dumont-Dows 81, Osage 69, Northwood-Kensett 63, Belmond-Klemme 55, Garner-Hayfield/Ventura 37, Newman Catholic 27

Team Standings at TIC Meet – Saint Ansgar 164, Central Springs 126, Osage 80, North Butler 60, Northwood-Kensett 56, Nashua-Plainfield 50, West Fork 38, Newman Catholic 16, RRMR 0



N-K senior Josiah Kliment crosses the finish line ahead of the rest of the pack in the 400-hurdles at last Thursday's TIC Meet in Osage. Kliment ran the event in 57.44 to take home the TIC title.

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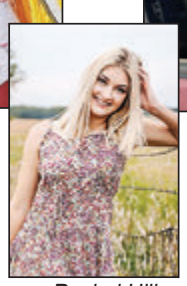
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Parents: Chad and Brooke Anderson, Val and Ross Gaetzke
Siblings: Carter, Hadley, Beau, Hudson
Work outside of school: Lifeguarding, working on family farm and working with livestock animals
What is your Pet Peeve? People Smacking
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My baby blanket
Favorite song: Pursuit of Happiness by Kid Cudi
Favorite TV show: One Tree Hill
Favorite childhood memory: Going to the Wilderness at Wisconsin Dells
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Faugstad
Favorite color: Black or blue
Favorite high school memory: Homecoming week
Advice to underclassmen: Stay focused on your grades and don't let others in school bring you down.
Plans after graduation: To attend Mankato State University



TeAnna Ausborn

Parents: Kristy and Larry Ausborn
Siblings: Tj and Jessi Ausborn
Work outside of school: Currently unemployed
What is your Pet peeve? Two-faced people
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My stuffed animal horse
Favorite song: Unbreak by Camylio
Favorite TV show: True Beauty, a drama from Korea
Favorite childhood memory: Going to an auction with my Dad and getting my first pony when I was 9 years old
Favorite teacher: Ms. Koenig
Favorite color: Purple
Favorite high school memory: Don't have one
Advice to underclassmen: Always be yourself, NOT the person you PRETEND to be!!!
Plans after graduation: I plan to go to NIACC for 2 years to get my General Education classes completed, I then plan to transfer to Waldorf or University of Northern Iowa to get my Bachelor's Degree and pursue my dream job as a Music Therapist.



Yaneli Avina-Sanchez

Parents: Marsha Hemenway
Siblings: Alexander Hemenway and Khrishton Aviña-Sanchez
Work outside of school: I work at Fallgatters
What is your Pet peeve? Rudeness
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Family
Favorite song: Don't have any
Favorite TV show: Simpsons
Favorite childhood memory: Don't have any
Favorite teacher: Mr. Reindl
Favorite color: Burgundy
Favorite high school memory: Watching a movie after reading the book in reading class
Advice to underclassmen: Get your work done in time.
Plans after graduation: Starting a new life



Addyson Bachtle

Parents: Jason and Jodie Bachtle
Siblings: Tyler Bachtle and Alissa Olson
Work outside of school: Summer Lifeguarding at the Northwood Pool
What is your Pet Peeve? When people say "No offense" after something insulting.
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My soft-baby pink-silk blankie
Favorite song: Cool for the Summer by Demi Lovato
Favorite TV show: Grey's Anatomy
Favorite childhood memory: Arguing with my siblings when we all lived at home together
Favorite teacher: Mr. Ehlke
Favorite color: Pink
Favorite high school memory: Beating Osage and Newman in softball 2021
Advice to underclassmen: Get involved- Get out of your comfort zone! Meet new people and live in the moment because before you know it, they will only be just memories. When they say high school goes by fast, it really does.. so appreciate every last moment and enjoy it.
Plans after graduation: I will attend NIACC to study towards the Physical Therapy Assistant Program.



Marli Bachhaus

Parents: Brett and Jacki Backhaus
Siblings: Kamryn and Piper Backhaus
Work outside of school: I previously worked at the Worth County Extension Office.
What is your Pet Peeve? Lacking motivation
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Lambie (a lamb blanket)
Favorite song: Upside Down by Jack Johnson
Favorite TV show: Friends
Favorite childhood memory: My sister Piper being born
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Hansen or Mrs. Clark
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Powderpuff practices
Advice to underclassmen: Take a deep breath, regroup and get through it. Most struggles are temporary.
Plans after graduation: I plan to attend Iowa State University for a major in Elementary Education and a minor in Apparel, Merchandising and Design.



Emma Berg

Parents: Melissa Schoon and Travis Berg
Siblings: Sarah and TJ Berg
Work outside of school: Hostess for the Diamond Jo Casino
What is your Pet Peeve? People chewing with their mouth open
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My Dora TV
Favorite song: Girls by Girl in Red
Favorite TV show: New Girl
Favorite childhood memory: When my family went to visit my godparents' cabin
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Brackey
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Being in robotics at my old school and being able to meet people from other countries
Advice to underclassmen: Don't worry about other people...the only thing you need to worry about is yourself.
Plans after graduation: Gap year, then get as many credits towards my degree in BioChem at NIACC then go to Iowa State



Thomas Block

Parents: Dan and Laura Block
Siblings: Anna and David Block
Work outside of school: Tequila's
What is your Pet Peeve? Loud Chewing
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My dog Lassie
Favorite song: "Stars" by Fun
Favorite TV show: Attack on Titan
Favorite childhood memory: Eating an entire pack of Oreos.
Favorite teacher: Mr. Barnes
Favorite color: Green
Favorite high school memory: Game nights with friends
Advice to underclassmen: Fill your schedule with harder classes in your early years, then your junior and senior years take art classes and foods.
Plans after graduation: I plan to go to UNI where I will study business and play in the UNI marching band.



Andrew Breitsprecher

Parents: Jamie and Jennifer Breitsprecher
Siblings: Alex, Lexie and Chloe
Work outside of school: R80 and Northwood Pool
What is your Pet Peeve? People walking on the wrong side of the halls
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My Snoopy plush
Favorite song: Vienna by Billy Joel
Favorite TV show: Criminal Minds
Favorite childhood memory: Creating a fort in the woods with Alex
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Abbas
Favorite color: Orange
Favorite high school memory: Anything that happened in Ceramics class
Advice to underclassmen: Deodorant is the greatest tool you have.
Plans after graduation: Go to UNI for theatre and business



Emma Davidson

Parents: Ron and Michelle Davidson
Siblings: Lindsey Davidson
What is your Pet Peeve? When people make their problems my problems.
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My pink baby blanket
Favorite song: Long Live Cowgirls by Ian Munsick & Cody Johnson
Favorite TV show: The Office
Favorite childhood memory: Pizza parties in the Semi on Friday Nights
Favorite teacher: Mr. Hunt
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: The New York Trip
Advice to underclassmen: You're known by the company you keep.
Plans after graduation: I'll be attending Iowa State University to double major in Agronomy and Seed Science.



Aaron Davis

Parents: Clif and Tonya Davis
Siblings: Tim Davis, Michael Davis, Tyler Nitcher
What is your Pet Peeve? People who don't listen, or talk about me behind my back.
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Pillow Pet
Favorite song: This Is What Falling In Love Feels Like- Jvke
Favorite TV show: A Series of Unfortunate Events
Favorite childhood memory: My 7th birthday when everyone in the class came to the fairgrounds and we had the bounce houses up
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Abbas
Favorite color: Forrest green
Favorite high school memory: When Josiah slapped me in the face in english class in eighth grade
Advice to underclassmen: Get good grades in freshman and sophomore years... THEY MATTER!!
Plans after graduation: Go to Nashville to become a luthier



Yarimy Duron

Parents: Yolanda and Moi Duron
Siblings: Julio
Work outside of school: Fallgatters
What is your Pet Peeve? People
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Food
Favorite song: Alot
Favorite TV show: Criminal Minds
Favorite childhood memory: Don't remember
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Leaving
Advice to underclassmen: Survive.
Plans after graduation: Surviving



Alexander Follmuth

Parents: Kari Seger and Eric Follmuth
Siblings: Emily Follmuth, Quentin and Matiya Seger
Work outside of school: None at the moment
What is your Pet Peeve? When you're drawing on concrete with chalk and you scrape your knuckles on the ground
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: I had a blanket that I took with me everywhere.
Favorite song: White Ferrari by Frank Ocean
Favorite TV show: Spongebob
Favorite childhood memory: I went to Wisconsin Dells with my family and had the time of my life.
Favorite teacher: Mr. Capitani
Favorite color: Purple
Favorite high school memory: This year's prom
Advice to underclassmen: Stop relying so much on social media to talk to your friends or people in general, it completely ruins your ability to make conversation.
Plans after graduation: Go to NIACC and I have no clue what for or what I'm gonna do after that.

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Dylon Freerksen

Parents: Jessica Freerksen, Amber and Tim Ouverson
Siblings: Collin Kuhlmann, Jocelyn Kuhlmann and Preston Lubkeman
Work outside of school: Iowa Army National Guard
What is your Pet Peeve? People knowing what my limits/buttons are and then pushing them anyways.
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Minnesota Vikings Brett Favre jersey
Favorite song: Nothin' on You by B.o.B feat. Bruno Mars
Favorite TV show: The Flash
Favorite childhood memory: Going to California
Favorite teacher: Mr. Capitani
Favorite color: Lime Green
Favorite high school memory: When Mrs. Symonds dumped Jace Gentz's uncracked 28 oz Grape Powerade down the drain
Advice to underclassmen: Participate and attend as many extracurricular activities while you can because you only go to high school once.
Plans after graduation: Iowa Army National Guard and attend college at Iowa Central



Jace Gentz

Parents: Jake Gentz and Jessica Riggle
Siblings: Olivia and Xander Gentz
Work outside of school: Working on the farm and around the community
Pet peeve: Little kids being annoying
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Toy tractors
Favorite song: Justin Moore "If Heaven Wasn't So Far Away"
Favorite TV show: North Woods Law
Favorite childhood memory: Winning my first gun when I was 8 at a Whitetails Unlimited banquet
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Faugstad
Favorite color: Green
Favorite high school memory: Beating Newman in baseball
Advice to underclassmen: Pay attention in class and respect your teachers and everything will work out.
Plans after graduation: Attend NIACC in the agriculture field



Silas Girouard

Parents: Fred and Amanda Girouard
Siblings: Abner, Iver and Martin
Work outside of school: Signatures
Pet peeve: When people tell me I'm in a bad mood when I'm in one.
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My stuffed animals
Favorite song: Telepatia by Kali Uchis
Favorite TV show: Friends
Favorite childhood memory: Road trips to Canada to see family
Favorite teacher: Mr. Cotter
Favorite color: Purple
Favorite high school memory: 2020 Spain trip
Advice to underclassmen: Don't let over thoughts control your life .
Plans after graduation: Go to college to become a nurse, and possibly become a travel nurse



Alexis Hakes

Parents: Tom Hakes and Shauna Hakes
Siblings: Mackenzie
Work outside of school: Cashier at R80
Pet peeve: People not cleaning up after themselves.
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My giant "Disney Princess Enchanted Tales Deluxe Princess Castle."
Favorite song: Out Like a Light by the Honeysticks
Favorite TV show: Arcane
Favorite childhood memory: Playing Minecraft with everyone
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Clark
Favorite color: Purple and black
Favorite high school memory: "I got a (oatmeal) cream pie in the bathroom" ~Josiah K 2019
Advice to underclassmen: Treat the hallways like you're driving, stick to the right. Don't take up the entire hallway. School really isn't that bad when you stop trying to convince yourself that it sucks.
Plans after graduation: Go to college for welding and get a good welding job



Jason Hanson

Parents: Ruth and Jim Hanson
Siblings: Dan, Randi and Blair Schmidt, Nicholas Hanson
Work outside of school: Northwood Pool
Pet peeve: Bragging
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: A stuffed panda
Favorite song: Remember Who You Are- Hans Zimmer- The Lion King
Favorite TV show: What's New Scooby-Doo? (2002)
Favorite childhood memory: Going on vacations with my family
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Symonds
Favorite color: Red
Favorite high school memory: Star Wars marathon with my friends in November of 2019
Advice to underclassmen: Think about your future, and find things that you enjoy doing.
Plans after graduation: Attend NIACC



Carly Hengesteg

Parents: Randy and Kim Hengesteg
Siblings: Scott Hengesteg
Work outside of school: Lifeguard at the Northwood Pool.
Pet peeve: Being late
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: A blue monkey blanket
Favorite song: Slow Down Summer by Thomas Rhett
Favorite TV show: Grey's Anatomy
Favorite childhood memory: Going camping at Yogi Bear
Favorite teacher: Mr. Ehlke
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Running at State Track
Advice to underclassmen: Learn from your mistakes.
Plans after graduation: I plan to attend NIACC for two years then transfer into a Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program.



Rachel Hill

Parents: Lori and Bob Hill
Siblings: Shannon Hill
Work outside of school: Cashier at R80
Pet peeve: People who chew loud
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My childhood blanket
Favorite song: Everything I Wanted by Billie Eilish
Favorite TV show: Euphoria
Favorite childhood memory: Going on a camping trip to Oregon
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Crippin
Favorite color: Pink
Favorite high school memory: Homecoming
Advice to underclassmen: Don't procrastinate your work.
Plans after graduation: I plan on attending Mankato State and getting a degree in communications and media.



Isabella Hoch

Parents: Shayne and Melissa Hoch
Siblings: Makaio Hoch, Manny Hoch, Sarah Hoch
Work outside of school: R80 gas station
Pet peeve: Slow walkers in the hallway
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: A little blanket with Pooh Bear and Piglet on it
Favorite song: Fireflies by Owl City
Favorite TV show: The Office
Favorite childhood memory: When my little sister was born
Favorite teacher: Mr. Barnes
Favorite color: Purple
Favorite high school memory: Going to the UNI Honor Band
Advice to underclassmen: Please do not procrastinate. It's so tempting but don't wait to do things.
Plans after graduation: I will be going to a two year college, and then will transfer to UNI after my two years are done at Iowa Lakes.



Josiah Kliment

Parents: Darrin and Susan Kliment
Siblings: Caleb and Samuel Kliment
Work outside of school: I make and sell things out of wood.
Pet peeve: Minnesota drivers
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My Winnie the Pooh blanket
Favorite song: Let It Grow
Favorite TV show: The Office
Favorite childhood memory: Building forts in the woods with my brothers
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Abbas
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Sports with my friends.
Advice to underclassmen: Don't take it too seriously; slow down and enjoy it.
Plans after graduation: I plan to do something business related in hopes of starting my own.



William Kraft

Parents: Jennifer and Terry Mikesell
Siblings: Becca Bouwsma, Sarah McCormick, Hannah Kraft, Kiyah Mikesell, Hope Mikesell
Work outside of school: Walmart
Pet peeve: Rude people
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: A stuffed monkey
Favorite song: What's Your Country Song by Thomas Rhett
Favorite TV show: The Office
Favorite childhood memory: Going on road trips to Wisconsin with my family
Favorite teacher: Mr. Ferstein
Favorite color: Red
Advice to underclassmen: Cherish all the fun times and memories you have in high school. It goes by so fast.
Plans after graduation: I have joined the Army and I will be attending Iowa Central Community College.



Emma Logeman

Parents: Brad and Bobbi Logeman
Siblings: Dalton and Harley Logeman
Work outside of school: R80
Pet peeve: People not listening to the instructions and then asking what the instructions are
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: A stuffed dog.
Favorite song: Fireflies by Owl City
Favorite TV show: That 70's Show
Favorite childhood memory: Going on school field trips with my dad
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Abbas
Favorite color: Purple
Favorite high school memory: Senior year art class.
Advice to underclassmen: Walk on the right side of the hallway.
Plans after graduation: Attend NIACC for business management and entrepreneurship



Logan Mayberry

Parents: Lisa and Dave Mayberry
Siblings: Nyx and Kaden
Work outside of school: R80
Pet peeve: People complaining about our coaches
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Green blanket
Favorite song: Never Let Me Down by Kanye West
Favorite TV show: Breaking Bad
Favorite childhood memory: Playing Club Soccer
Favorite teacher: Mr. Preston Davidson
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Making the playoffs in football.
Advice to underclassmen: Don't take things too seriously, have fun.
Plans after graduation: Kick at Iowa Central Community College

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Tyler Mills

Parents: Chad Mills And the Late Kathryn Mills
Siblings: Justin Mills
Work outside of school: I work part time for Brad Logeman Construction.
Pet peeve: People who complain all the time
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Hot Wheels
Favorite song: Any Man of Mine - Shania Twain
Favorite TV show: The Ranch
Favorite childhood memory: Going to Adventureland
Favorite teacher: Mr. Hartman/Mr. Cotter
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Playing football my senior year.
Advice to underclassmen: Work hard.
Plans after graduation: To go to the welding program at NIACC



Eli Mix

Parents: Amos and Loraine Mix
Siblings: Logan and Jacob
Work outside of school: Dish washer at Tequila's
Pet peeve: Not having backpacks
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My computer
Favorite song: Levitating
Favorite TV show: Stargate
Favorite childhood memory: Lego League
Favorite teacher: Della Vedova
Favorite color: Purple
Favorite high school memory: Playing games with half the class in one match
Advice to underclassmen: Keep up the hard work, don't let up until you graduate.
Plans after graduation: Become an aerospace engineer at Iowa State



Hayden Moore

Parents: Todd and Shannon Moore
Siblings: Lindsey Moore
Work outside of school: Lifeguard for the Northwood Pool
Pet peeve: People repeating the same question over and over to me
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My Spiderman
Favorite song: Some Nights - Fun
Favorite TV show: Criminal Minds
Favorite childhood memory: Sidewinder's Baseball
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Abbas
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Game nights with the boys
Advice to underclassmen: Confidence is key.
Plans after graduation: Attend Iowa State University for 4 years



Calli O'Neill

Parents: Janet O'Neill
Siblings: Jenna Weitzel
Work outside of school: Dietary Aid
Pet peeve: When people walk slow
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: A bracelet
Favorite song: I Was On A Boat That Day -Old Dominion
Favorite TV show: Grey's Anatomy
Favorite childhood memory: Snow days
Favorite teacher: Michael Reindl
Favorite color: Maroon
Advice to underclassmen: Prioritize school first before you do anything else, then go have fun.
Plans after graduation: Go to NIACC to get my Associate Degree in Nursing for Registered Nurse



Michelle Palmer

Parents: Shane and Patricia Palmer
Siblings: Erica, Kim, Nathan
Work outside of school: Famous Footwear
Pet peeve: When people take others for granted
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My blanket
Favorite song: See you again- Wiz Khalifa
Favorite TV show: Pretty Little Liars
Favorite childhood memory: Sharing a room with my 2 older sisters
Favorite teacher: Ms. Musset @Theodore Roosevelt High School
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Homecoming freshman year at Roosevelt High School with my friends
Advice to underclassmen: Don't focus too hard on extra things more than school work, because college is the same as high school just more work.
Plans after graduation: Go to college, study for my career path and then hopefully join the workforce either in Iowa or Florida.



Brayden Reyerson

Parents: Josh and Samantha Reyerson
Siblings: Camden and Haylee
Work outside of school: Dairy Farm
Pet peeve: Vegans
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Adrian Peterson Jersey
Favorite song: Wrist Piece by Papi K
Favorite TV show: Outer Banks
Favorite childhood memory: Going fishing with my Dad and Grandpa
Favorite teacher: Mr. Cotter
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: T-Boning Jebbie in the parking lot
Advice to underclassmen: Don't compare yourself to others.
Plans after graduation: Take a year off from school then go to college



Abigail Roberts

Parents: Allison Roberts
Siblings: Wyatt, Kylie, Hunter
Work outside of school: Nothing yet
Pet peeve: Loud chomping
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My bear snuggles
Favorite song: 505 by Arctic Monkeys
Favorite TV show: Outer Banks
Favorite childhood memory: Swinging on the tire swing at my Gram's house
Favorite teacher: both Mr. Reindls
Favorite color: Baby blue and black
Favorite high school memory: Falling off my seat in lunch class
Advice to underclassmen: Don't give up on yourself and keep going, because if you keep pushing you'll do great things in life that you've always wanted to do.
Plans after graduation: I plan to go to La'James and study cosmetology and also do some photography on the side.



Hailee Schmitt

Parents: Dan and Sara Schmitt
Siblings: Emilee Schmitt, Carson Terhune
Work outside of school: Hostess
Pet peeve: When people talk over me
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My stuffed brown cat
Favorite song: Another Love
Favorite TV show: Criminal Minds
Favorite childhood memory: Going to Valleyfair for the first time.
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Willert
Favorite color: Green
Favorite high school memory: Doing the CLUE play
Advice to underclassmen: Please study hard and don't procrastinate.
Plans after graduation: Go to NIACC to finish my generals, then transfer to a university to study nursing



Dylan Tews

Parents: Alyssa and Josh Iverson, Tyler and Kelsi Tews
Siblings: Baker, Kaelix, Parker, Caebri, Emberlee, Braxlee, Axton
Work outside of school: Nothing currently
Pet peeve: Chewing with your mouth open
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: I don't know
Favorite song: Give heaven some hell
Favorite TV show: I don't know
Favorite childhood memory: Going fishing with my Dad and Grandpa
Favorite teacher: Mr. Cotter
Favorite color: Orange
Favorite high school memory: When Dan Block let us use sockets on a ball bearing in Cotters shop in the press until it exploded and hit us all
Advice to underclassmen: Be better than I was.
Plans after graduation: Continue the NIACC welding program



Mason Thofson

Parents: Tim and Melissa Thofson
Siblings: Tyler and Ethan Thofson
Work outside of school: Lifeguard at the Northwood Pool
Pet peeve: Loud breathing
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: A monkey
Favorite song: Anything from the Pirates of The Caribbean movies
Favorite TV show: The Flash
Favorite childhood memory: When the seniors came to the elementary for homecoming
Favorite teacher: Mr. Ehlke
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: 7th period Sports Marketing
Advice to underclassmen: Don't complain.
Plans after graduation: I plan to attend NIACC for 2 years then transfer to UNI to get a degree in accounting.



Drake Tiedemann

Parents: Chad and Tiffany Tiedemann
Siblings: Jason, Taylor, Trent, Alex
Work outside of school: I worked at Central Gardens in Clear Lake
Pet peeve: People tapping their foot when it's completely quiet
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: I had this toy castle that I would play with
Favorite song: Not Afraid- Eminem
Favorite TV show: Rick and Morty
Favorite childhood memory: When Tyler missed the jump and went over the bars during daycare
Favorite teacher: Mr. Capitani
Favorite color: Dark blue
Favorite high school memory: Parties at Josiah's house
Advice to underclassmen: Nothing really matters.
Plans after graduation: To work for the summer and attend college in the fall.



Samantha Tindall

Parents: Ben Tindall
Siblings: William Tindall
Work outside of school: Casey's
Pet peeve: People chewing their gum too loud.
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: When I was young I owned a pink elephant that I would take everywhere with me and couldn't sleep without.
Favorite song: 100 bad days by AJR
Favorite TV show: The Flash
Favorite childhood memory: One of my favorite childhood memories is when my younger brother Will and I used a mattresses to ride down our stairs.
Favorite teacher: Mis Symonds
Favorite color: Red
Favorite high school memory: My favorite high school memory had to have been when the power went out freshman year and we didn't have to do any work all day.
Advice to underclassmen: Work hard and have fun doing it.
Plans after graduation: My plans for after graduation is take a year off from school and travel, eventually returning to school to study criminal justice.

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Cody Tomlinson

Parents: Scott Tomlinson and Robin Nordman
Siblings: Mackensy Tomlinson
Work outside of school: Automotive
Pet peeve: Washing hands
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Stuffed animal
Favorite song: Rock genre
Favorite TV show: Lucifer
Favorite childhood memory: Playing with my farm toys
Favorite teacher: Mr. Abbas
Favorite color: Purple
Favorite high school memory: Hanging out with friends
Advice to underclassmen: Keep up with your work.
Plans after graduation: College



Hayley Wallin

Parents: Kyle and Janet Wallin
Siblings: Morgan, Mitchell and Reanna Wallin
Work outside of school: Lifeguard at the Northwood swimming pool
Pet peeve: When people chew with their mouth open.
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: My baby blanket
Favorite song: Til You Can't, by Cody Johnson
Favorite TV show: The Originals
Favorite childhood memory: Going to the homecoming games
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Faugstad
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Suburban rides to football games and cheering at them
Advice to underclassmen: Take lots of pictures. Spend time with your classmates. Become involved in many activities and sports. Just enjoy being in high school because four years really do fly by.
Plans after graduation: I plan to attend Central College to get my bachelors degree in Pre-Chiropractic, then attend Palmer College to get my Doctor of Chiropractic degree.



Dalton Weitzel

Parents: John and Stacy Weitzel
Siblings: Jenna and Mateah
Work outside of school: Cashier/photographer/videographer/editor
Pet peeve: People
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Don't have one
Favorite song: Logic - Under Pressure
Favorite TV show: Breaking Bad/Better Call Saul
Favorite childhood memory: Don't have one
Favorite teacher: Most of them don't teach here anymore. Faugstad, Cap, Hansen and Hartman
Favorite color: Black
Favorite high school memory: Movie nights
Advice to underclassmen: Survive.
Plans after graduation: Getting a job I like



Andrew Wilder

Parents: Robyn and Gordon Wilder
Siblings: Peyton and Nathan
Work outside of school: R80 and I help with concrete work.
Pet peeve: Ice in fountain pops
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Fred the Elephant
Favorite song: Forever Young by Lil Yachty
Favorite TV show: That 70's show
Favorite childhood memory: Going to Wisconsin Dells
Favorite teacher: Mr. Ehlke
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Football team nights
Advice to underclassmen: Get your stuff done.
Plans after graduation: Go to Riverland for electrical program



Wyatt Willand

Parents: Jill and Wayde Willand
Siblings: Weston Willand
Pet peeve: People running into me and then acting like it was my fault
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: A stuffed animal named Wilbur
Favorite song: "Legend" by The Score
Favorite TV show: Full House
Favorite childhood memory: Watching the high school basketball boys win a state championship.
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Faugstad
Favorite color: Blue
Favorite high school memory: Attending National 4-H Congress
Advice to underclassmen: Always believe in yourself and chase your dreams and don't let other people tell you that you can't.
Plans after graduation: I plan to attend the University of Arizona to pursue a degree in business and run track.



Tyler Wunderlich

Parents: Tanya and Justin Wunderlich
Siblings: Cody Wunderlich
Work outside of school: Lots of things
Pet peeve: Dont worry about it.
Favorite childhood possessions that meant the most to you when you were little: Trucks
Favorite song: That one song
Favorite childhood memory: That one time.
Favorite color: Color
Favorite high school memory: That one time.
Advice to underclassmen: IDC
Plans after graduation: Don't worry about it.

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