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144th Worth County Fair

Hills, Golden Banners prepare for week of fair events

By JoAnn Lower

Members of the Hill family, and the Golden Banner 4-H Club that they have led and been a member of will once again be an active part of this year's Worth County Fair.

Below is more on the club from its leader, Michelle Hill, and on one of its members, Cece Hill.

Michelle Hill:

Golden Banner Club 4-H members are busy preparing their projects for the Worth County Fair. "We have quite a few swine and cattle projects, poultry and a few dairy," said club leader Michelle Hill. "Brett Backhaus is our livestock leader so most of the livestock questions are directed to him. We're learning showmanship and having discussions on what to wear in the ring."

Along with getting their animals ready for the fair, the club's approximately 40 members are working this year on an exciting outreach project – making wooden toys.

"Every year we showcase an area giving our members exposure to something new," said Michelle. "Each member is asked to come up with a topic and present that topic to the group. This year Sydney Schilling from Manly did an educational writeup for a project she started with her grandfather – making wooden toys for needy children at Christmastime. Our club made the toys and will bring them to the fair. Some of the students will present

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GOLDEN BANNER4-H CLUB

Briefs

VanSabben tractor ride and auction July 9

The second annual Glenn VanSabben Memorial Tractor Ride will be held on Saturday, July 9, with a roll out time of 10:30 a.m.

The beginning location will be at the home of Alan and Mavis Stevens, 4845 Spruce Avenue near Northwood.

The tractor ride will travel to Carpenter for lunch before returning.

The beginning location will also be the site of a silent auction. Bidding will begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue until one hour after the tractors return.

WCHS meets June 21

The Worth County Historical Society will meet at the Northwood Museum on Tuesday, June 21, at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.



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

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. June 7	75	55	
Wed. June 8	73	57	0.34
Thurs. June 9	78	51	
Fri. June 10	73	60	0.04
Sat. June 11	73	60	0.05
Sun. June 12	85	62	0.01
Mon. June 13	72	68	

Voters choose party candidates in primary

On Tuesday, June 7, voters in Iowa chose who will represent their political parties in the November 8 general election.

A total of 907 out of 5,611 registered voters cast ballots in Worth County, for a voter turnout of 16.16%.

In Worth County, the turnout for Republican voters was higher, 724, compared to 183 Democratic voters. That was likely down to the local legislator facing a primary challenge.

Following are the results of the election:

Several county offices were on ballots.

Running unopposed and representing the Republican party will be incumbent treasurer Jake Hanson. He received 673 votes. There were 3 write ins.

Republican incumbent Recorder Teresa Olson received 633 votes, with 13 write-ins.

Republican incumbent county attorney Jeff Greve

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Worth County Fair brings a wide variety of events, entertainment

The Worth County Fair begins today and with it comes a variety of events, held in the grandstand, shelter house and throughout the fair.

Tonight (Wednesday) the fair entertainment opens with the crowning of the Worth County Fair Queen at 6:30 p.m. in the shelter house. On stage vying for fair royalty will be Jayden Beland, Emma Davidson, Teagan Johnson, Sydnee Lindeman, Hayley Wallin and Neveaha Wicke.

The grandstand entertainment starts tonight with young people challenged to sheep riding with mutton busting at 7 p.m.

On Thursday the annual fair pedal pull, hosted by the Northwood-Kensett FFA, begins with registration at the shelter house at 4:30 p.m. and the pull beginning at 5 p.m.

The grandstand entertainment for the evening starts at 7 p.m. Thursday with the Bulls and Barrels Rodeo.

On Friday, grandstand entertainment begins with the Don't Try This at Home show at 6 p.m. The show offers magic, danger, juggling, escapes and more.

Starting at 6:30 p.m. in

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Keeping it cool

Last week's warmer weather brought plenty of people to Northwood's swimming pool to cool down. That included this pair, that enjoyed the delightful downpour from this piece of pool equipment

Machine issue affects single primary ballot in Worth

The Worth County Auditor's Office issued a release last week, after a machine error was found after a review of the June 7 primary election. The impact was limited to a single ballot.

Following is the information shared by the Auditor's Office:

"The Worth County Auditor's Office is committed to making sure that every eligible voter has the opportunity to vote and ensure their vote will be counted.

"Due to the diligence of election workers and the staff of Worth County in following election laws, procedures and best practices, a machine issue was discovered and is being addressed accordingly.

"As a result of a ballot jam, the ballot scanning machine count is believed to be inaccurate. In order to ensure every vote has been counted properly, the Worth County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections, as well as at the recommendation of the Secretary of State's Office, is requesting to conduct an administrative recount of all races in the one affected precinct.

"Thanks to the many checks and balances used by election officials, it was discovered the issue affected one ballot countywide."

"The Worth County Auditor's Office and the Secretary of State's Office is working with the

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a brief background to the judge on how the toys were made and why they chose certain colors. In the end, we'll box up the toys and send them to children in need. This has been a meaningful addition to our club, something everyone enjoyed."

Hill has been Golden Banner's leader for several years. "They needed a leader, and I was interested in learning so I took the opportunity and have really enjoyed it. It is a humbling experience."

This dedicated 4-H leader describes her Golden Banner 4-H Club as a "starfish" with arms that reach out to encompass several schools in the county, including Central Springs, St. Ansgar, Northwood-Kensett, Forest City and Newman Catholic School in Mason City. This gives 4-H'ers the opportunity to meet other students within North Iowa that are not in the same school district.

The Golden Banner has won several awards several years in a row that have provided service opportunities for our youth. Just some of those services are "Adopt a Highway" in Worth County where they clean up trash for two miles on both sides of the highway twice a year, and collecting "Toys for Tots" to give to the Salvation Army for distribution at Christmas.

"When derecho winds came through, the kids asked if they could help with cleanup. We moved tree limbs and picked up sticks. Even though we didn't know the people we were helping, our club worked hard to lend a helping hand. How heartwarming it was to see the impact this project had on both the families and the 4-H'ers."

"One of our 4-H'ers' parents work at One Vision in Clear Lake. As a service outreach we toured the store and learned about service opportunities we could do working with them. That was eye opening for us and for the people there," said Michelle. "We take all kinds of ideas. I feel good about asking others to share their knowledge with me so I can create experiences for the youth."

"I want our 4-H'ers to have their eyes open to many different project areas, so that throughout their lives they can be of service by sharing their strengths with others."

Cece Hill:

"4-H has been a big part of my life," says Cecelia (Cece) Hill. "It's an amazing place where kids can flourish into adults, a place where they're given the opportunity to learn new skills. It's been fun to see my growth as a 4-H'er."

Starting in the Golden Banner 4-H Club as a fourth grader, Cece was in Clover Kids before that. She is club president and on the Worth County Youth Council, which she describes as "an amazing leadership opportunity to meet other young people across Iowa." Last year she worked at the Iowa State Fair with 4-H'ers and will be there again this year.



CECE HILL

Hill has won national 4-H awards, including a trip to the National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C., where she gave a presentation to representatives about 4-H and problems facing youth. She won a trip to the National 4-H congress in Atlanta, Georgia, where she went with other Iowa delegates to learn more leadership skills.

"It was an amazing experience meeting other 4-H'ers from all around the U.S.," she said.

Cece's main focus at the Worth County Fair this year will be Sewing and Needle Arts, her favorite project area. She will be showing quilts and dresses she's made. "I have community support," she smiled. "My Grandma Hill teaches me sewing and my neighbor helps me with quilting."

But sewing isn't Cece's only fair project. She's preparing her swine for the fair by walking them twice a day. "One thing about the fair is that it's summer so pigs can get really hot. They can't sweat so it's important to check on them often, keep them watered, fed and comfortable."

Cece will be working in the exhibit building helping on judging day as well as working in the 4-H food stand. "I really enjoy the fair. I like walking around and seeing projects everyone has been making."

Daughter of Andy and Michelle Hill of Manly, Cece attended school at Central Springs, where she was a member of marching band, concert band, jazz band, pep band, solo ensemble contest, choir, school musical, jazz & chamber choir, student council, National Honor Society, class president, track & field, cross country and trap shooting. She has also been involved in church activities, a figure skating club and she received the Globe Gazette Star Class in Music award. She graduated in 2022 and was just recently crowned North Iowa Band Festival Queen.

"I'm super honored to represent my community as the Band Queen in the July 4th parade," she smiled. "It's a really cool thing."

Cece's future plans are to attend Iowa State University to major in biology and try out for the Iowa State Jazz Band or ISU Marching Band.

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machine vendor, Henry M. Adkins & Son Inc. to resolve the problem. This issue was also reported by several other counties in Iowa using the same equipment."

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the grandstand will be the Tri-State Tractor Pull.

Saturday's entertainment starts with more of the Don't Try This At Home show at 6 p.m. in the grandstand.

The crashing vehicles and crushing collisions of the Masters of Disaster Demo Derby follows at 6:30 p.m.

More vehicular entertainment coms on Sunday, at 6 p.m. in the grandstand with the Figure 8 races.

Other entertainment taking place with shows throughout the fair are annual favorites Nick's Kids Show, Hog Diggity Dog, glass blowing demonstrations, Brothers Walker, Bingo, face painting and the carnival.

New for this year's fair are Polka Dot Entertainment, Pretty Bird Paradise and the Iowa Learning Farms and Water Rocks! conservation station.

The Donnie Moretz Memorial Kiddie Barn has also been transformed into an Ag Learning Center this year, with a number of education activities available.

More information on the fair and its events can be found online at worthcountyfair.com or in the Worth County Fair Book, which can be viewed online at nwdanchor.com/worth-county-fair-book-2022.

Following is a full schedule of the 2022 Worth County Fair:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

Floral Entries ..... 8-10 a.m.
4-H/FFA Pet Show, Show Arena .....10 a.m.
4-H Exhibit Building Open .... Noon-10 p.m.
Open Class Floral Judging..... 12:30 p.m.
4-H/FFA Horse Show, Halter, Pleasure, Horse Arena ..... 1 p.m.
Dog Show, North Side of Sheep Barn .....1-3 p.m.
4-H/FFA Rabbit check-in Poultry/Pet Barn ..3:30 p.m.
4-H/FFA Rabbit Show, Poultry/Pet Barn ..... 4 p.m.
Carnival Ride Arm Band Special $12..... 4-10 p.m.
Fair Queen Contest, Shelter House .....6:30 p.m.
Mutton Busting, Grandstand. 4-6 p.m. registration, 7 p.m. start

THURSDAY, JUNE 16

4-H/FFA Livestock Weigh-In . 7:30 a.m.-Noon
4-H Exhibit Building Opens... 10 a.m.-10 p.m.
Livestock Barns Open.... Noon
4-H/FFA Horse Show, Games, Horse Arena.....1 p.m.
Bingo..... 2 p.m. - Close
FFA/4-H Livestock Judging Contest, Livestock Arena.... 2-4 p.m.
Farm Bureau Tractor Event, North Side Quonset...3 p.m.
Carnival opens ..... 4-10 p.m.
Educational Presentations, Community Room... 4-6 p.m.
Pedal Pull Registration, Shelter House.....4:30 p.m.
Pedal Pull Begins, Outside Shelter House .....5 p.m.
Meal presented by Federal Foam.....5 p.m.
Bulls & Barrels Rodeo, Grandstand .....7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 17

4-H/FFA Swine Show, Show Arena.....9 a.m.
4-H Exhibit Building Opens... 10 a.m.-10 p.m.
Face Painting, Commercial Building..... 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
Carnival Opens ..... Noon
Free Lunch, *Sponsored by Farmers State Bank,* Shelter House ..... Noon
Caricature Drawings, Commercial Building ..... 1-5 p.m.
Polka Dot Entertainment..... Noon - 9 p.m.
Library Reading Hour, Community Room.....2 p.m.
Bingo..... 2 p.m. - Close
4-H/FFA Market Poultry weigh-ins.....3:30 p.m.
4-H/FFA Poultry Show, Poultry Barn .....4 p.m.
Working Exhibits, 4-H Exhibit Building.....5 p.m.
Don't Try This at Home, Grandstand .....6 p.m.
Tri-State Tractor Pull, Grandstand .....6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

Senior Citizen Day & Veterans Day..All Day $5 Admission
4H/FFA Beef Show, Show Arena.....9 a.m.
Library Reading Hour, Community Room.9:30 a.m.
4-H Exhibit Building Opens... 10 a.m.-10 p.m.
Bucket / Bottle Calf Show, Show Arena.....11 a.m.
ISU Conservation Station Trailer ..... 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Face painting, Commercial Building.....11 a.m.- 5 p.m.
Free Lunch, *Sponsored by NSB Bank,* Shelter House .. Noon
Caricature Drawings, Commercial Building ..... 12-4 p.m.
Balloon Artist, Commercial Building..... 12-4 p.m
Polka Dot Entertainment..... Noon - 9 p.m.
Carnival Opens ..... Noon
Carnival Ride Arm Band Special, $20 all you can ride 1-3 p.m.
4H/FFA Dairy Show, Show Arena.....1:30 p.m.
Bingo..... 2 p.m. - Close
4-H Style Show & Awards, Shelter House, 4-H Award Program (State Pictures following in 4-H Building)..... 6 p.m.
Don't Try This at Home, Grandstand .....6:30 p.m.
Masters of Disaster Demo Derby, Grandstand....7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

Church Services, Shelter House .....9 a.m.
Open Fun Horse Show, Horse Arena, Pleasure Classes & Games .....9 a.m.- 3 p.m.
4-H Exhibit Building Opens... 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Baby Contest Check-in Shelter House.....10:30 a.m.
Baby Contest, Shelter House . 11 a.m.
Carnival Opens Noon - 6 p.m.
Beef BBQ, *Sponsored by Worth County Cattlemen* Shelter House ..... Noon
Barn Interviews, Show Arena 11 a.m.
Balloon Artist Commercial Building..... 12-4 p.m.
4-H/FFA Goat Show, Show Arena..... Noon
4-H/FFA Sheep Show.. following Goat Show
Bingo..... 2 p.m. - Close
All Open Class & floral released .....5 p.m.
4-H Building Exhibits Released .....5 p.m.
Figure 8 Racing, Grandstand. 6 p.m.
4-H State Conference meeting 8:30 p.m.
4-H Teen Dance, 4-H Exhibit Building..... 9-11 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 20

4-H Livestock Ribbon Auction ..... 6:30 p.m.

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received 564 votes, with 25 write-ins.

Democratic incumbent supervisor for District 1 Aaron Stone received 54 votes, with 1 write-in.

No one filed to represent either party as a candidate for Supervisor from District 3, the office currently held by Enos Loberg.

While there were 27 write-in votes for the Republican and 8 votes for the Democratic nominations, none qualified to be added to ballots in November. To be added to ballots, a write-in candidate would have to get at least 35% of the number of votes cast the last time their party had a candidate in the primary.

With no primary winner and no one signing up earlier this year, no names have been selected to appear on ballots for the office in November.

Appearing on ballots to be the Republican nominee for Iowa Representative representing District 60 were incumbent Jane Bloomingdale, Northwood, and Deb Hild, Clear Lake. Bloomingdale will represent the Republican Party for the office in November, receiving 493 votes or 68.95% in Worth County, and 1,592 votes across the district, for 54.33%.

District 60 includes all of Worth and Mitchell counties and portions of Cerro Gordo and Floyd counties.

Bloomingdale received the most votes in Worth, 493-21; Mitchell, 654-238; and Floyd, 73-69. Hild received the most votes in her home county, Cerro Gordo, 807-372.

Filing for the office of Iowa Senate District 30, unopposed were incumbent Republican Waylon Brown and Democrat Whitney Mixdorf.

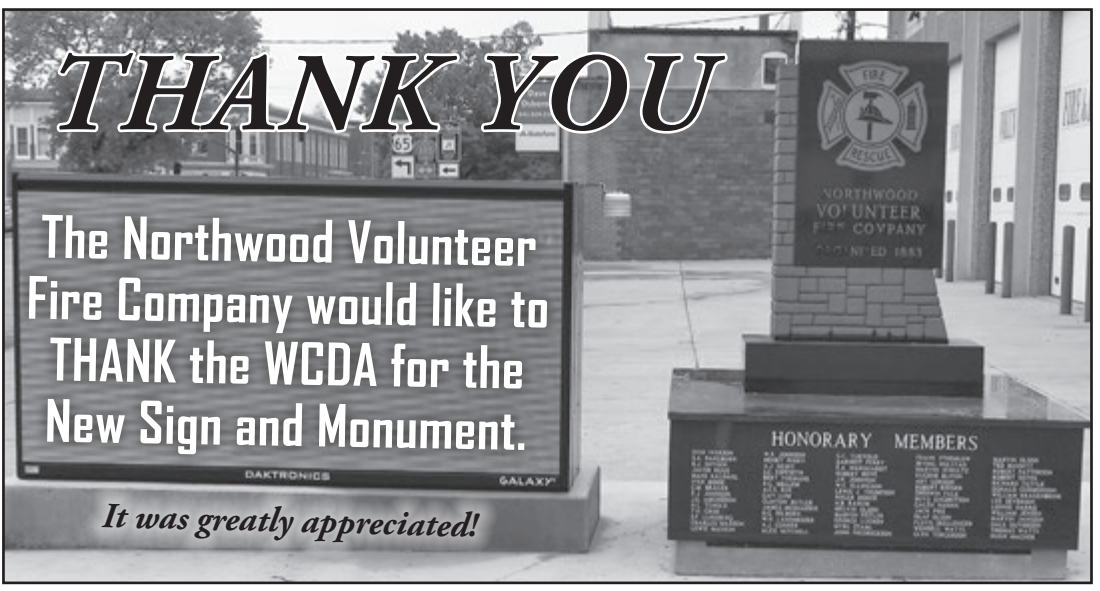
Other party candidates for State office were chosen by Worth County and Iowa voters. That included Democrat Tom Miller and Republican Brenna Bird for Attorney General; Republican Mike Naig and Democrat John Norwood for Secretary of Agriculture; Republican Roby Smith and Democrat Michael Fitzgerald for Treasurer of State; Republican Todd Halbur and Democrat Rob Sand for Secretary of State; Republican Paul Pate and Democrat Joel Miller for Secretary of State; and Democrat Deidre DeJear and Republican Kim Reynolds for Governor.

When it came to national office, Worth County voters differed in one race from the rest of Iowa. For U.S. Senate, Worth County Democrats chose Abby Finkenauer as the candidate. Across Iowa, Democrats chose Michael Franken as their candidate.

Franken will challenge Republican candidate Chuck Grassley.

For U.S. Representative from District 2, Worth County and district Republicans chose Ashley Hinson and Democrats chose Liz Mathis.

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Manly's Iowa Northern receives funding to replace rail

The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) recently announced over $368 million in Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) grant program funds to 46 projects in 32 states and the District of Columbia. That included a grant to Iowa Northern Railway for a project that includes rail improvements in the Manly area.

The investments in the grant program are designed to play a crucial role in modernizing the country's rail infrastructure and strengthening supply chains, helping to reduce congestion and get people and goods where they need to go quickly and more affordably. The program will create good-paying jobs and benefit urban and rural communities across the country.

The selected projects announced will not only improve and expand passenger rail and fund conventional and high-speed rail, but they will also increase supply chain resilience and fluidity, support short line railroads, invest in new technology and safety advancements and benefit rail industry workforce development and training activities – helping to create jobs and increase economic growth.

President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law has nearly tripled funding for this critical rail infrastructure program - to $1 billion a year for the next five years. Strengthening supply chains and increasing the productive capacity of the economy are key tenets of President Biden's plans to get goods from ships to shelves more quickly and lower costs for American families.

CRISI aims to advance intercity passenger and freight rail projects that promote FRA's key goals of safety, economic growth, transportation equity, and sustainable and resilient infrastructure. CRISI-funded projects will enhance multi-modal connections, address slow orders, and fix up 100-year-old track to speed up the movement of goods from ports to rail to trucks to shelves. As the nation continues to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, these upgrades and expansions will help state and local governments and rail carriers meet renewed travel demand and strengthen supply chains.

By statute, a minimum of 25 percent of this funding must be awarded to rural projects, and this announcement includes nearly double the required investment in rural communities, which underscores the Biden-Harris Administration's commitment to addressing the needs of rural communities.

Local funding

Included in that was a grant of up to $7,173,452 to the Iowa Northern Railway Company and its Manly and Cedar Rapids subdivisions.

The project will include approximately 27.3 miles of rail at the two locations. That will replace rail infrastructure that has exceeded its life expectancy. The new rail will allow for speeds of up to 40 mph.

Iowa Northern Railway will provide a 50% match to grant funds.

In addition, $87.6 million is for projects that support the development of new intercity passenger rail service, and $25.7 million is for capital projects or engineering solutions targeting trespassing, exceeding the required statutory minimums.

Historically, CRISI has funded projects that improve safety and railroad infrastructure, reduce congestion, relocate rail lines, conduct rail-related research, and enhance multi-modal connections between rail and other modes such as ports or intermodal facilities.

Workforce development projects are also eligible to support the education and training needs of rail workers.

The CRISI program has drawn significant interest from states, local communities, and rail stakeholders since its inception, and this year FRA received more than $1.1 billion in CRISI requests, which far exceeds the available funding. FRA applied rigorous selection criteria to ensure that eligible projects would serve communities by enhancing safety, creating economic opportunities, providing energy efficient transportation options, and helping the country's world-class freight network meet growing demand.



Highway horticulture

The roadside gardens along Highway 65 in the north side of Northwood recently received some new floral accents, thanks to planter Rose Fredericks and some assistance from some local 4-H'ers. The crew is pictured above as they took a quick break to pose with some of the tools and flowers that were planted. They are pictured to the right, but the tools and tips from Fredericks into action as they created a floral front row to accompany the other plants, bushes and trees that greet people coming into Northwood from the north, or those exiting to the north.

Bible reading marathon set for June 24-July 4 Worth County courthouse lawn

Worth County residents are once again invited to take part in the seventh year of reading the Bible in each of Iowa's 99 counties.

A proclamation from Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds encourages each of Iowa's counties to read Genesis to Revelations on courthouse lawns. This is after a Bible reading was held January 3-7, 2022, at the Iowa Capitol.

The public is invited to read on the Worth County courthouse lawn between June 24 and July 4 this year.

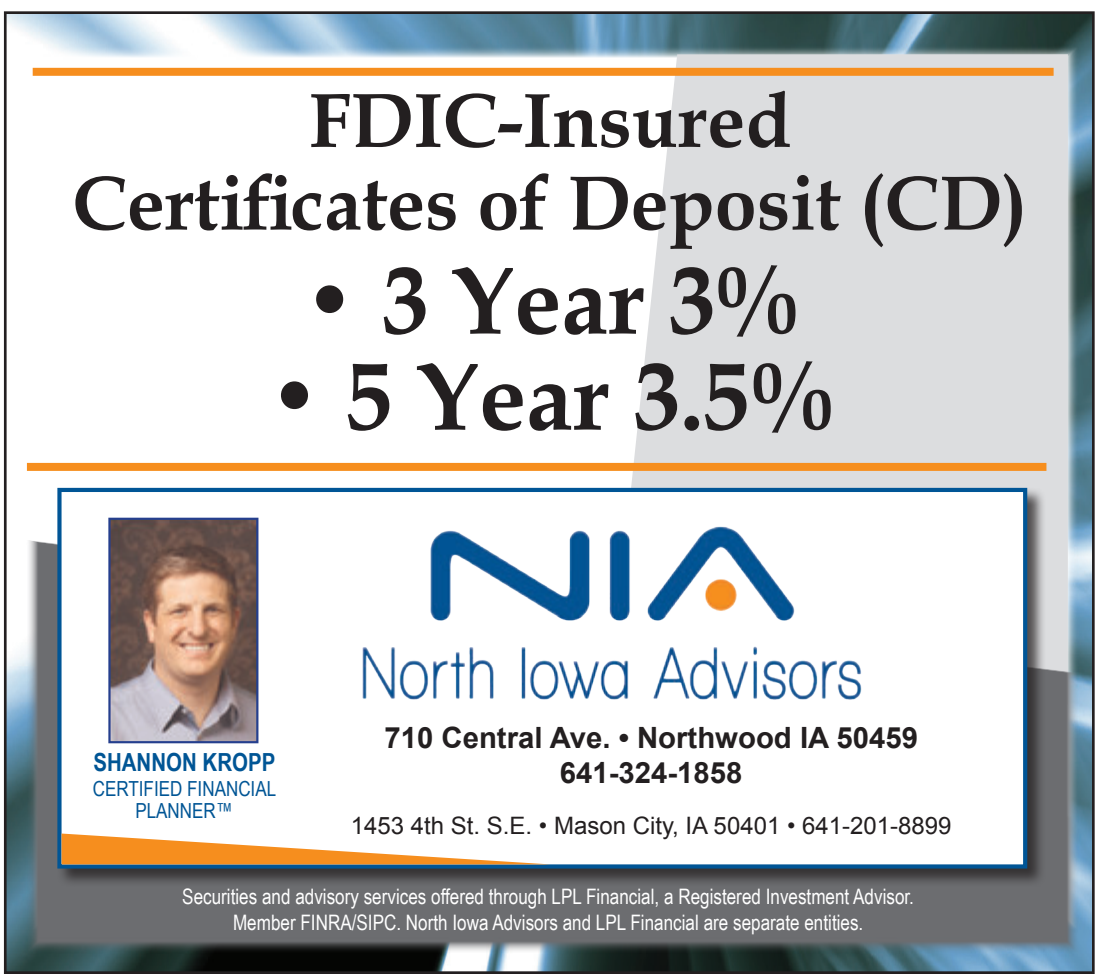
This year's Bible reading will be held the same as in the past two years. People, friends and families can choose which book or books of the Bible they'd like to read. People can then call Sharyl Ferley at 641-324-1279 or 641-390-0194 to tell her which books are being read.

People may choose the day and time they'd like to read. They can bring a lawn chair, golf cart or car to read aloud.

"We are extremely humbled and excited to even have this opportunity to be celebrating Independence Day in such an amazing way," said Ferley. "We cherish the word of God, and our First Amendment freedoms that allow us to do this."

"We hope you will catch the fire of our excitement and plan to be a part of this special occasion."





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Local students honored

ISU announces spring 2022 Dean's List

Approximately 9,500 Iowa State University students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the spring semester 2022 Dean's List.

Students named to the Dean's List must have earned a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

Students listed from the area are: Krister Mark Beal, Mathematics, Hailey Beatty, Animal Science, and Mallory Suzanne Wilhelm, Animal Science, all of Joice; Hannah Lanphere, Animal Science, Brooke Marie Mueller, Elementary Education, and Mya Nicole O'Connell, Chemical Engineering, all of Manly; Julia Lynn Quisley, Agricultural Business, of Northwood; and Tianna Laura Charlson, Animal Science, of Plymouth.

Iowa State honors spring graduates

Iowa State University honored more than 4,700 students who received degrees during spring commencement ceremonies May 12-14.

Graduates from the area included Krister Beal, Bachelor of Science, Mathematics and Education Secondary, Magna Cum Laude, Joice, and Alan Fuller, Bachelor of Science, Management Information Systems, of Manly.

Local student William Hillson graduates from Buena Vista University

Local student William Hillson of Manly graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts in English from Buena Vista University in the Spring of 2022.

Hillson was among more than 200 students who received degrees.

Central College Students Named to Dean's List for Spring 2022

More than 330 students were named to the Central College dean's list for Spring 2022.

The honor is awarded to full-time students who achieve a 3.5 GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale while taking 12 or more graded credit hours for the semester.

Local students include Lindsey Davidson of Northwood and Summer Sterrenberg of Joice.

South Dakota State announces spring 2022 dean's list

South Dakota State recently announced the names of the outstanding undergraduates who have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2022 semester.

Local students include Abigail Irene Pannhoff of Manly is a student in SDSU's College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences.



N-K trap team at the USA Clay Target State Championship.

N-K ends season at State Trap Shoot

By Dean Mueller, Northwood-Kensett trap coach

On Saturday, June 4, the Northwood-Kensett trap team attended the USA Clay Target State Championship at the Stockdale Gun Club.

The winning team was Okoboji High School with a score of 458, second was Osage High School with 452 and third was Northwood-Kensett with 449.

The five top scores for the N-K team were Haydan Pestorious -97, Collin Houg – 93, Loghan Nelson – 90, Will Tindall – 86 and Aiden Moretz – 83.

Men's Champion was Haydan Pestorious with his 97, second was Adam Anderson (Okoboji) with 96 and third was Collin Houg with 93.

It was a great ending to the 2022 season. We will be losing only one senior this year, Tyler Wunderlich. The team is looking forward to a fall sporting clays league and new members joining the team in the spring of 2023.

IDALS lifts order cancelling live bird exhibitions due to bird flu

With the Worth County Fair, and its poultry livestock show, less than two weeks away, the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship recently announced that the March 23 order cancelling all live bird exhibitions at fairs and other gatherings of birds due to highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) has been lifted. It had been 30 days since USDA has confirmed a new infection of HPAI in domestic poultry in the state of Iowa.

"Today's announcement is a welcome sign of continued progress in our state's efforts to effectively manage the outbreak of avian influenza and protect Iowa's poultry flocks," said Mike Naig, Iowa Secretary of Agriculture. "While efforts will continue to prevent additional virus spread, we are pleased to resume poultry sales and exhibitions; a step made possible by our ability to respond quickly from the start."

All poultry exhibitions and sales must be registered with the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship at least 30 days before the event. The application for registered poultry exhibitions and sales is available online.

About the Outbreak

HPAI, a highly contagious, viral disease affecting bird populations, has been confirmed at 19 poultry sites across the state, including 15 commercial sites and four backyard sites. HPAI can travel in wild birds without those birds appearing sick, but is often fatal to domestic bird populations, including chickens and turkeys.

Bird owners, whether commercial or backyard, should remain vigilant in their biosecurity practices preventing contact between their birds and wild birds and reporting sick birds or unusual deaths to state/federal officials. Biosecurity resources and best practices are available at iowaagriculture.gov/biosecurity. If producers suspect signs of HPAI in their flocks, they should contact their veterinarian immediately. Possible cases must also be reported to the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship at (515) 281-5305.

For updates on this developing situation, please visit https://iowaagriculture.gov/animal-industry-bureau/avian-influenza.

MercyOne encourages parents to schedule school and sports physicals

Summer is nearly here, and for many families that means the beginning of camps and summer programs. It is also the time to schedule a student's annual sports and school physical.

"By late July our clinics are already booked from open to close for school physicals," said Dr. Kristin Avery, pediatric specialist at MercyOne Clear Lake Pediatric Care. "We want parents to know those visits can be done now and the earlier they schedule their student's physical, the more availability we have to conveniently fit in their schedules."

Yearly physicals are required by school districts to help ensure safety for students, especially those participating in sports. Before classes and extracurricular activities begin, it's important students receive a physical to make sure there are no underlying health issues that might interfere with participation, check their growth and development and update their immunizations. During a school and sports physical, parents can expect:

- Physical exam
- Update immunization
- Check growth and development
- Review medical history

Scheduling for school and sports physicals has begun. Parents can make an appointment with a student's provider or find a MercyOne provider.

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Bulwer Lytton, Edward Robert



by Sandy Olson

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

Summer is a perfect time to entertain. Whether you host in the backyard, on the patio or inside the dining room friends and family need to be fed and you want to have fun doing it. The Pillsbury Company has introduced many good, down-to-earth cookbooks with recipes people really do use. One of them is "C'mon Over! Hassle-free, Hustle-Free Entertaining" (2007, Wiley Publishing, Hoboken, NJ) A statement on one of the first pages says it all: "Call your friends and family, add some food and lots of fun and you've got the recipe for a great gathering." After being isolated from groups for two summers due to COVID, it's time to reactivate your position as host or hostess. The following recipes will help you do that. They are adapted from the chapter titled "Summer."

Roasted Potato Garlic Dip

1 pound little red potatoes, unpeeled but cut into quarters
1 package (8oz.) cream cheese (I always use Philly®, softened
1/2 cup real sour cream, not low-fat
1/2 teaspoon chicken bouillon granules
1 large clove garlic, finely minced
2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
2 tablespoons chopped fresh chives

Cook the potatoes in boiling water until tender; drain well. Let them stand until slightly cool, about 15 minutes. Mash them with a hand masher until slightly smooth; you want some tiny lumps so people know they are real! While the potatoes are cooling, in a medium bowl beat the cream cheese with an electric mixer on medium until smooth. Add the sour cream, bouillon granules and minced garlic. Beat until smooth. Add the potatoes to the sour cream mixture, combining well. Gently stir in the chives and parsley. Taste and adjust for seasonings; you might need a bit of kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper. Serve at room temperature with veggies as dippers. Store any leftover dip covered in the refrigerator. NOTE: you can make this dip the night before and store covered in the refrigerator. Remove it from the fridge about 20 minutes before serving for the best consistency.

Fajita Tortilla Pizzas

2 packages (9 oz. each) frozen, cooked chicken breast strips, thawed
1 1/2 cups frozen bell pepper and onion mixture, thawed
1/4 cup + 6 extra tablespoons bottled fajita sauce/marinade
3 cups shredded taco-seasoned cheese blend
6 flour tortillas, 8-inch size

Drain the pepper and onion mixture very well, patting dry on paper towels. In a medium bowl, combine the chicken strips, onion and pepper mixture and the 1/4 cup fajita marinade. Let stand for 5 minutes to flavor. Heat a heavy wok or deep fry pan over medium-high heat and add the chicken mixture. Stir fry it for about 10 minutes or until the onion and pepper pieces are crisp-tender and the chicken thoroughly heated through. Place the tortillas on an ungreased cookie sheet and sprinkle each one with 1/4 cup of the cheese. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F. Divide the chicken mixture even among the 6 tortillas and top each with 1 tablespoon of fajita sauce and another 1/4 cup cheese. Bake for about 5 minutes or until the cheese is melted and crust is crisp. Cut into wedges to serve.

Drinks to Wash It All Down
Peachy Keen Slush:

1/4 cup sugar….5 cups water….1 can (12 oz.) orange juice concentrate, thawed… 1 can (12 oz.) lemonade concentrate, thawed…2 1/2 cups peach schnapps….1/3 cup fresh lemon juice…1 bottle (2 liters) ginger ale.

In a medium saucepan, mix the sugar and 2 cups of the water. Heat to boiling, boil 3 minutes then set aside to cool slightly. In a large non-metal freezer container, blend the juice concentrates with the remaining 3 cups water, the schnapps and the lemon juice. Stir in the sugar mixture. Cover and freeze at least 8 hours (or overnight) stirring 2 or 3 times after 2 hours, until frozen. To serve, spoon 1/2 cup slush into each glass and add about 1/3 cup ginger ale; stir gently.

Margarita Slush

2 cans (10 oz. each) frozen margarita concentrate….1 cup good tequila….1/3 cup fresh lime juice….1 lime cut into wedges…coarse salt, if desired….1 can lemon-lime carbonated beverage.

In a medium bowl, mix the margarita concentrate softened but not liquid, with the tequila and lime juice. Spread this mixture in an 8-inch square glass baking dish. Freeze until set, at least 5 hours. To serve, run a lime wedge around the rim of each glass, dip into salt. For each drink, spoon 2/3 cup frozen mixture into a glass and pour 1/4 cup lemon-lime beverage over the top. Garnish with the lime wedges.

Lemonade Iced Tea (Arnold Palmer)

3 cups water….4 tea bags…1 can (12 oz.) lemonade concentrate, thawed….2 cups cold water….8 cups ice cubes…8 thin slices of fresh lemon

In a large saucepan, heat 3 cups water to boiling. Remove from the heat and add the tea bags. Let stand 10 minutes to steep. Remove and discard the tea bags and add the lemonade concentrate plus the 2 cups cold water. Stir to blend. Pour into serving pitchers and add the ice cubes and lemon slices.

The cookbook has full menus for various occasions, using some convenience foods to make prep faster and easier. The four seasons are well represented with appetizers, entrees, salads and desserts plus the beverages needed to tie it all together. And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society

Tolzmann–Dahlby announce upcoming wedding August 6, 2022

Cody Allen Tolzmann and Jami Faye Dahlby are proud to announce their engagement and upcoming wedding.

Jami Faye Dahlby of Northwood is the daughter of Darin and Teri Dahlby, maternal grandparents are Arthur and Sharon Moretz and paternal grandparents are Roger and Jan Dahlby, all of Northwood.

Jami graduated from Northwood-Kensett High School in 2012. She attended NIACC, graduated in 2014 with an Associate of Arts in General Education and then attended UNI in 2017 and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education.

Jami will be teaching kindergarten this fall at Northwood-Kensett Elementary.

Cody Allen Tolzmann is from Wellsburg, Iowa, and has currently moved to Northwood. His parents are Greg and Tammi Tolzmann, of Iowa Falls; maternal grandparents were the late John and Kay Tolzmann of Iowa Falls, Iowa; and paternal grandparents are Jerry and Joan Reighard of Alden, Iowa.

Cody graduated from Ackley-Geneva-Wellsburg-Steamboat Rock (AGWSR) in 2008.

He is an owner/operator of Tolzmann Trucking LLC.

The couple will be married on Saturday, August 6, 2022, at First Lutheran Church in Northwood, followed by a reception at the Carpenter Community Center in Carpenter.

The couple will reside in Northwood.



CODY TOLZMANN AND JAMI DAHLBY

A weekend of events set for Fourth

The City of Northwood will celebrate Independence Day with a weekend of events leading up to the Fourth of July.

The activities begin on Friday, July 1, with a pool party. A beverage garden will be open for adults that evening, with The Trip performing. Food will be available from local restaurants and the Casper Friendly Food Trailer, formerly Mr. Taco, as well as Papa Murphy's pizza. Wright Popcorn will also offer snacks.

The Saturday, July 2, activities begin with breakfast at the VFW. A TUNE 5K Run/Walk will be held that morning as well.

The weekend's tournament action begins the July 2 morning with the softball tournament. A bags tournament begins that afternoon at the Strike Zone.

The beverage garden will be open on Saturday night again. Local restaurants, the Casper Friendly Food Trailer, Papa Murphy's and Wright Popcorn will be available again that Saturday night.

The Dweebs will be the evening's entertainment on July 2.

Tournament action continues on Sunday, July 3, with the Northwood-Kensett Community Education Foundation golf tournament at the Northwood Country Club.

Independence Day opens with a chance for a pancake breakfast courtesy of the Waking Miss Winifred group, served at the Central Park shelter house.

The Fourth of July parade begins at 11 a.m.

After the parade, the fairgrounds will be the spot for food from Signatures, the Hot Beef Sundae cart, Mini Donuts of Northwood, Shaka Shaved Ice and root beer floats served by the Boy Scouts. Also at the fairgrounds will be Half Pint the Clown, bean bags and boards and chalk for the kids.

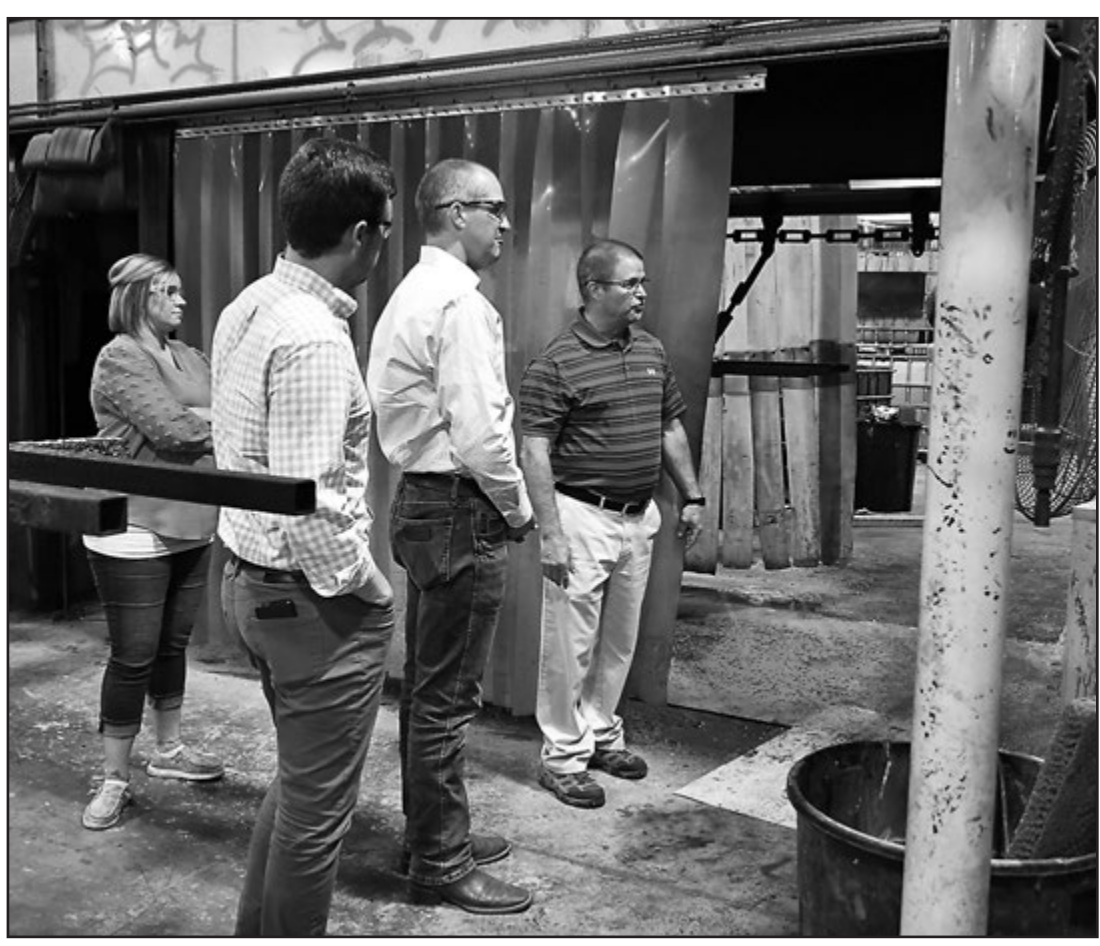
The pedal pull will also be held at the Fourth.

Miss, Mr. and the the Junior and Lil' Northwoods will be named, and citizens will be recognized.

A horse shoe tournament at Swensrud Park and a 3 on 3 youth basketball tournament at Central Park will also be held that afternoon.

The Fourth of July festivities will once again end with a bang with the fireworks at the airport.

See a full schedule of Fourth of July events in the coming weeks.



Ag secretary visits ADA

Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig recenlty paid a visit to ADA Enterprises in Northwood. During his visit, Naig spoke with President/CEO Tom Stensrud and human resources/compliance manager Beth Buehrer. Stensrud led Naig on a tour of the Northwood facilities, explaining how the company creates quality products for livestock uses, amongst the other products. The group also talked about issues like labor shortages, issues with material prices and availability and other issues that face companies like ADA and others that Naig deals with as Secretary of Agriculture.

WCSO warns of ammo in yards

On Friday, the Worth County Sheriff's Office made an announcement, warning residents of Manly about ammunition on lawns.

According to the WCSO, ammo had been found in yards in the Manly area. That included ammuniation from .223 weapons and shotgun shells.

The WCSO advised people to be careful when mowing.

Anyone that finds ammo in their yards is asked to contact the Worth County Sheriff's Office.

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We reserve the right to refuse unacceptable entries.







First Lutheran Church Day Camp

First Lutheran Church echoed with the sounds of kids laughing, playing, crafting, singing and enjoying a number of other activities last week during the church's week of Day Camp. The church welcomed what may be a recent record in terms of the number of students coming to take part. On the first day, 121 kids were at First Lutheran to take part. The Day Camp include outdoor games, cooking, crafting, singing and more. That even included a trip to Swensrud Park and the Northwood swimming pool. It was made possible with the help of FLC staff that included youth director Mark Willand (back row, at left), pastor Becky Sogge (front row, left), office manager Christa Larson-Trenhaile (front row, center) and building manager Troy Bachtle. Also lending a helping hand were a number of youth group volunteers.



Bolan VBS set for next week

Bolan will host its annual Vacation Bible School next week, June 20-24.

Vacation Bible School will be hosted on Monday, June 20 through Friday, June 24, from 9 a.m. – noon in Bolan. A free-will supper and program will be held on Friday, June 24, at 6 p.m.

The VBS is for preschoolers through completion of fifth grade. Anyone older is welcome to participate as a volunteer.

The event is free, but all participants to pre-register, so organizers know amounts to order for supplies, materials and food, plus how to organize the crews. Transportation can be made available by contacting one of the churches or Lori. To be a part of ZOO- MERANG, contact the United Methodist churches in Bolan, Manly, Northwood, Plymouth, Rock Falls, Rudd or Nora Springs, or the Lutheran churches in Manly, Hanlontown or Grafton for registration forms and information, or contact Lori Willert at 641-903-9472 or lwillert@wctatel.net or visit www.bolaniowa.com.

ACT to perform 'Willy Wonks' on June 16-26

Albert Lea Community Theatre (ACT) concludes its 56th season with "Willy Wonka" at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center, June 16–26.

The delicious adventures experienced by Charlie Bucket on his visit to Willy Wonka's mysterious chocolate factory light up the stage in this captivating musical adaptation of Roald Dahl's fantastical tale. Featuring the enchanting songs from the 1971 film starring Gene Wilder, along with some new songs, "Willy Wonka" is a musical guaranteed to delight your sweet tooth and take you on a fantasy ride into the land of pure imagination.

"Willy Wonka," directed by Gordy Handeland with musical direction by Barb Lang, will be performed at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center in downtown Albert Lea on June 16-19 and 22-26. Shows start at 7:30 p.m., with the Sunday, June 19 and 26, matinees at 2 p.m. This is one of the largest casts ever on the ACT stage, with over 60 actors of various ages performing in this musical.

Tickets are $20 for adults and $10 for students. Tickets may be purchased over the phone by calling 1-877-730-3144 (service fees apply), online at actonbroadway.com or at the box office. Tickets also are available at the Albert Lea Convention & Visitors Bureau.



Northwood Anchor Church

Fertile Lutheran Church
Sunday, Worship Service, 9:30 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, MANNA Open, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Worship - Elk Creek, 9 a.m.; Monday, Bethany Council, 9:30 a.m., MANNA Open, 10 a.m. - Noon

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan
Sunday, Worship Service, 10 a.m.

Pastor Cory Allard

Northwood United Methodist Church
Sunday, Worship Service, 10:45 a.m., Fellowship, 11:45 a.m.; Tuesday, Swallow Coffee House, 10 a.m.

Rev. Rob Lanphere

One In Christ Lutheran Parish
Sunday, Worship Services 10:30 a.m. available online at "One in Christ Lutheran Parish" Facebook Page and YouTube under "One in Christ Lutheran Parish." Sunday Worship Services, 8 a.m. Immanuel, 105 E. 3rd St., Scarville, 641-568-3666; 9 a.m., Bethany, 201 Franke St., Joice, 641-588-3366, Wednesdays 6 p.m., KC (Kids & Christ) Night; 11 a.m., Silver Lake, 705 Silver Lake Rd., Northwood, 641-293-5556; No Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Winnebago, 40029 210th Ave., Lake Mills; 11 a.m., Lunder, 14982 735th Ave., Albert Lea; All services require masks and social distancing.

First Lutheran Church, Northwood
Wednesday, Sr. Comm., 2 p.m., Choir, SH Youth, 7 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Gr., 9 a.m., Taekwondo, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Worship Service, 9 a.m., JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Staff Meeting, 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

Sacred Heart Church, Manly
Mass Wednesday, 8 a.m.; Mass Saturday, 5:30 p.m.

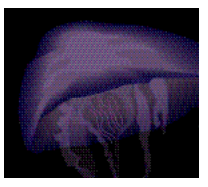
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Northwood Anchor Early Files

100 years ago

June 14, 1922

Mrs. O.F. Perkins was seriously injured and her daughter, Mrs. Grace Steece hurt in a lesser manner when the Chevrolet sedan owned and driven by the former's brother, Postmaster C.W. Remore, turned over at the north end of the Federal Avenue paving at Mason City Friday night. Mr. Remore was uninjured with the exception of a slight cut on one leg.

Hon. T.C. Rone left Northwood Sunday evening on the first lap of a journey that will take him to his boyhood home in Norway, his destination being Trondhjeim. Saturday he will sail from New York City for Hamburg, Germany, and from there go into the Scandinavian countries by sea and rail sightseeing in the new republic created by the world war.

The second international triennial convention of the Young Peoples Lutheran League of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America is in session at LaCrosse, Wis. Misses Gratia Kjerland and Rena Olson are attending as delegates from the local League and Rev. Carl Ylvisaker is attending as a visitor.

The sale of registered shorthorns held by Oscar Rustad at the Northwood fairgrounds pavilion on Saturday afternoon drew a fair crowd considering the fact that a heavy storm north of here the night before put the roads in such condition that several expected bidders were unable to appear. Nineteen head were sold.

Dr. Mabel Wintermute, osteopathic physician and obstetrician, lately of Minneapolis, has located in Northwood and her practice of profession. Miss Wintermute will have her office for the present at her presidency, the property two blocks east of the grammar school building, which was recently vacated by W.A. Williston.

75 years ago

June 12, 1947

George Jorgensen, butter maker at the Northwood creamery, placed first with a rating of 97.25 percent in the efficiency program conducted by the State Brand Creameries, Inc., of Mason City for the month of April. Participants in the contest were representatives of the 118 creameries that market their product through the State Brand Creameries.

The Carpenter "Red Sox" baseball team is making a good record this year in the State Line league, winning 5 of the 6 games played to head the league to date. Edgar Waggoner and Harry Dockum serve as co-managers of the team. Warren Perkins and Carl Jaspers, Jr., are the pitchers for the "Red Sox," with Delbert Hanson as catcher.

A new charter is being obtained for the local American Legion post. The name of the post under the new organization is to be the Smith-Perry post in recognition of the sacrifice made by the first Northwood boy to give his life in both World War I and World War II.

Harold J. Williams, former Northwood high school instructor and Worth County's first Farm Bureau agent, has accepted the position as superintendent of the Davenport public schools. His three-year contract at Fort Dodge expires on June 30 and he will go to Davenport soon after July 1.

Beginning the first of this week when inventory was completed, the Nelson Hardware in Northwood is now operated by Howard Nelson and George Nelson, sons of J.F. Nelson, who have taken over the business, which was started here 11 years ago by their father. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nelson and son John moved here last week from Isle, Minnesota, where he was in the hardware business. The Nelsons also have hardware interests at Oak Park, Minnesota, and at Hampton, Iowa.

50 years ago

June 15, 1972

"The 3 Ms," a group from Waldorf College, will appear at First Lutheran Church, Northwood, and Bethany Lutheran Church, Kensett, on June 18 and June 30, respectively. The group includes Marlin Wedler, Mary Knutson and Marilyn Blume.

Gary Hengesteg, manager of Northwood Motor Company, prepares to deliver a driver education car to the Northwood-Kensett school for the summer program. Two Chevrolets have been leased to the school, both with automatic transmissions and air conditioning. Jack McMullen, Northwood, and Lowell Thompson, Mason City, are the instructors for the eight week session. Eighty 15 and 16 year old students began training on June 8.

Rebecca Schmitt, daughter of the Rev. And Mrs. Otto Schmitt, Northwood, has accepted a Regents Scholarship at Luther College for the 1972-73 academic year. Regents Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic excellence by the faculty honors and awards committee. The Regents Scholarship is the finest scholarship at Luther College and is awarded to about 50 of the top freshman academically each year.

Mark Borchardt, Plymouth, returned home from Camp Dodge, Des Moines, where he has been attending Boys State on June 3-9. Mark, a junior at St. Ansgar High School, was sponsored by the Hollatz-Tabbert Legion Post at Grafton. He is a member of the National Honor Society, chorus and small groups, German Club, wrestles JV, and maintains a high scholastic average. He is vice-president of the Luther League of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Grafton.

Miss Patricia Tenold of Kensett was graduated from the Naeve Hospital School of Nursing, Albert Lea on June 2. Miss Tenold is a 1969 graduate of N-K. She will be working as R.N. in the operating rooms at St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester.

25 years ago

June 11, 1997

Michael Bachtle made like a frog as he leaped from the diving board at the Northwood municipal swimming pool. Bachtle was one of 85 youngsters who enjoyed the 78-degree water temperature on the pool's opening day. Registration for Red Cross swimming lessons will be held at the pool.

Myra Harris tried to interest "Lucky" the Lab in a cool treat with a handful of ice pebbles she scooped from a hail drift that formed just north of the machine shed at the family's Kensett Township farm during the 10-15 minutes hailstorm that swept a 2-3 mile path through Worth County.

Hartland Township resident Dennis Reyerson treated brother-in-law Duane Broitzman of Glenville to a buggy ride past the Christianson-Taylor Wildlife Area. The business end of the treat was made up of Reyerson's Morgan horse team of Gus and Katie.

Veteran Worth County 4-H'ers Caleb Ingersoll, Ben Johnson, Brad Bakken and Jack Johnson showed some younger 4-H members how its done during tree-planting chores at the Worth County Fairgrounds. The youngsters, Worth County Extension education director Dennis Johnson and Master Gardener candidate Robert Jensen transplanted approximately 20 oak saplings from Ochee Yahola Park to the fairgrounds to provide some shade for future fairgoers.

Marcia Price, Connie Kension, Jennifer Moe and Pam Meyer display a variety of items such as gourmet food, home decorating selections, bath and body lotions, gifts and much more available at the new Main Street Treasures.

Waldorf College in Forest City has announced the Dean's List for the 1996-97 second semester. Local students are Steven Helgeson, Northwood; and Jeffrey Jorth and Casey Miller, Joice.

10 years ago

June 13, 2012

The portable stage granted to the Northwood Chamber of Commerce by the WCDA is ready to be put to the test at this week's Worth County Fair grandstand shoes. Members of the Northwood Chamber of Commerce and City of Northwood helpers learned how to operate the remote controlled device.

On June 1, a hummingbird landed on Paul Hanson's shoulder while he was sitting on his back deck with his family. Beth (Hanson) Butler snapped this picture using her cell phone, before the bird could take flight again.

Northwood-Kensett students are pictured at the annual Ag in the Classroom Pizza Thon held earlier this year, at Zion Lutheran Church in Clear Lake. At the event eight teams of students were challenged with coming up with a pizza recipe and a plan to market their pizza to judges. Students that took part included Calli Christiansen, Mackenzie Costello, Tegan Cotter, Hayden Halbach, Erika Heideman, Miranda Stambaugh, Cade Tindall and Nathan Wilder.

The N-K Trap Team had a successful year. Pictured is the varsity team in a line up to start a round of trap shooting. At far left Adam King received a medal from a Department of Natural Resources officer. Also pictured is senior Riley Olson aiming at a target during a shoot.

The two fishermen pictured, JP and David, recently spent an afternoon at Kuennen's Quarry and came back with the catches pictured, a six pound and a four pound catfish. The pair also said that they caught another four pounder, but that they let that one get away.

Northwood Anchor Obituaries

Doris Mitchell

Doris Merilynne Mitchell passed away on Sunday, June 5, 2022. A memorial service was held at 1 p.m. on Friday, June 10, 2022, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in St. Ansgar with Rev. Mark Squire officiating. Visitation was held an hour before the service at the church. Burial took place at Sunset Rest Cemetery, Northwood.

Doris was born on February 16, 1937, at the Dolmage Hospital in Buffalo Center to George Hendrickson and Lois Belle (Leith) Russ. She was the oldest of three children. She did eight grades at Country School Eden #4 and four years at Buffalo Center High School, graduating in 1955.

In October of 1955 she married Donald Harang. To this union four children were born, Becky Lynne, Sonya Sue, Stacy Lorelei and Eric Michael. They farmed in Silver Lake, Northwood, and Weatherby, Missouri.



DORIS MITCHELL

In 1976 she left Northwood to resettle in Portland, Oregon, until 1989. Then she started R.V. traveling an Arizona, Iowa and Oregon circuit for 15 years. She settled back in Northwood in 2004.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents, George and Lois Russ, and brother, Walter.

She is survived by her daughters, Becky (Henry) Tews, Sonya (Kevin) Mortell and Stacy (Gilbert) Laborin; son, Eric (Tammy) Harang; grandchildren, Brooke Hudson (Bobby Johnson), Christopher Littlefield, Mandy (Travis) Schultz, Nancy (Zach) Schrupp, Nico Laborin, Noelle (Juan) Santos, Melissa (Ben) Berringer, Jesse (Steph) Harang, Tyler (Kelsey) Tews, Heather (Zach) Wynia and Brittany (Jeff) Heiken; 22 great-grandchildren; brother, Rev. Roger (Norene) Russ; and special friend, Galen Quam.

She loved her Lord, her family and many sewing machines where she quilted many hours.



DAVE PRESTHOLT

Dave Prestholt is a happy, busy man of many talents, vocations

By JoAnn Lower

Dave Prestholt is a gentleman of many talents. He owns the Auction House in the old Tom Fretty furniture store. He owns an ag business, and he has a passion for collecting memorabilia.

"I traveled with Tom Fretty as a high schooler," Dave said. "We drove all over the United States – I drove and he slept. Tom got me into the love of going to auctions and collecting things. He was a great teacher in the economics of the auction business."

About every three weeks Prestholt has an auction at the Auction House in Manly. Go to his website www.northiowauctionservices.com and you will understand why his wife Linda says he has a passion for collectables. As Dave says, "Everybody likes the Auction House."

Prestholt will also move your belongings. If someone needs their house emptied, Dave does it. "I will do the best I can getting your stuff moved and sold. A gentleman died in Manly. His kids live elsewhere, so they called and asked if I could pick up all his belongings. I get a lot of calls from realtors and from nursing homes asking me to come and empty someone's room. After all is said and done, I haven't had anybody upset with me," he smiled.

An agronomist, Dave owns the ag business Soil Mineral Technology and produces some of his own products in Manly. "The biggest thing I produce is hog pit treatment. The second largest is sileage and forage preserver to keep sileage from molding."

Dave grew up in Hanlontown and went to high school at North Central in Manly, then moved to Las Vegas for two years. When he came back, he bought the Donut House in Manly and ran that for six years. He met Linda and they moved to Lime Springs, where they lived for six years. "I've spent most of my life in North Central Iowa."

"There has to be a special place in heaven for Linda," Dave smiled, speaking of his wife, Pastor Linda Johnson-Prestholt. "She's a wonderful woman and unbelievably busy. She is the community pastor. We've had to adjust to her serving four churches because we understand her passion for helping people. Half of what she does is for people who never walk in the door."

The couple has three grown children: Amy, Aaron and Alex. Alex recently graduated from Iowa State and is working in Clear Lake. Amy is in Rochester, and Aaron lives in Huxley, Iowa.

Dave and Linda live on an acreage. They have two miniature horses as well as cats and dogs.

"Life is good," says the outgoing, happy Dave Prestholt. "I have a good wife, good kids and am somewhat healthy."

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Opinion

Savvy Senior

How to choose a Medicare supplemental (Medigap) policy

Dear Savvy Senior,

I'm planning to enroll in original Medicare in a few months and have been told I probably need to get a Medicare supplemental policy too. Can you offer any tips on selecting one?

Almost 65

Dear Almost,

If you're enrolling in original Medicare, getting a supplemental policy (also known as Medigap insurance) too is a smart idea because it will help pay for things that aren't covered by Medicare like copayments, coinsurance and the Part A deductible. Here are some tips to help you choose an appropriate plan.

Medigap Plans

In all but three states (Massachusetts, Minnesota, and Wisconsin), Medigap plans, which are sold by private health insurers, are available to new enrollees in eight different standardized plans. These plans are labeled with the letters A, B, D, G, K, L, M and N, with two more, C and F, that are only available to those eligible for Medicare before 2020.

Plan G is the most popular policy among new enrollees because it covers the most comprehensive range of benefits. Monthly premiums for Plan G typically range between $100 and $300, depending on your age and the state you reside in. If that's more than you're willing to pay, there are also high-deductible plans that have lower premiums but impose higher out-of-pocket costs.

For more information on the different types of plans and coverage details, including Medigap options in Massachusetts, Minnesota, and Wisconsin, go to Medicare.gov/publications and type in "choosing a medigap policy" in the Keyword box, and download their 2022 guide. Or call 1-800-MEDICARE and ask them to mail you a copy.

How to Choose

To pick a Medigap policy that works best for you, consider your health, family medical history and your budget. The differences among plans can be small and rather confusing.

To help you choose, visit Medicare.gov/medigap-supplemental-insurance-plans and type in your ZIP code. This will give you a list of the plans available in your area, their price ranges and the names, and contact information of companies that sell them. But to get specific pricing information, you'll need to contact the carriers directly or call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program. See ShipHelp.org or call 877-839-2675 for contact information.

Since all Medigap policies with the same letter must cover the exact same benefits (it's required by law), you should shop for the cheapest policy.

You'll get the best price if you sign up within six months after enrolling in Medicare Part B. During this open-enrollment period, an insurer cannot refuse to sell you a policy or charge you more because of your health.

You also need to be aware of the pricing methods, which will affect your costs. Medigap policies are usually sold as either: "community-rated" where everyone in an area is charged the same premium regardless of age; "issue-age-rated" that is based on your age when you buy the policy, but will only increase due to inflation, not age; and "attained-age-rated," that starts premiums low but increases as you age. Community-rate and issue-age-rated policies are the best options because they will save you money in the long run.

You can buy the plan directly from an insurance company, or you can work with a reputable insurance broker.

Drug Coverage

You also need to know that Medigap policies do not cover prescription drugs, so if you don't have drug coverage, you'll need to buy a separate Medicare Part D drug plan too. See Medicare.gov/plan-compare to compare plans. Also note that Medigap plans do not cover vision, dental care, hearing aids or long-term care.

Alternative Option

Instead of getting original Medicare, plus a Medigap policy and a separate Part D drug plan, you could sign up for a Medicare Advantage plan (see medicare.gov/plan-compare) that provides all-in-one coverage. These plans, which are sold by insurance companies, are generally available through HMOs and PPOs that require you to get your care within a network of doctors.

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

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Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

I'm headed to the courthouse to have my name officially changed to "Authorized Personnel."

Why would you do that?

Because it will open a lot of doors for me.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. A friend gave me one of her french fries because I said I'd heard they were good at the eatery in which we were dining. I wasn't just saying that to get a free fry. I'd heard that. The french fry was good. Now if anyone asks me how the french fries are at that restaurant, I can truthfully say, the fry was good.

Ice cream headaches

I am susceptible to brain freeze or ice cream headaches, also known as cold stimulus headaches. The odd thing about my ice cream headaches is I typically get them while eating ice cream. Go figure. I got them as a boy and made my ice cream headache face. It was one of those faces that didn't freeze that way. I didn't have an ice cream headache as I sat outside enjoying a butter pecan cone on a sunny day. I was napkinless, but got the sweet treat down without dripping more than a few drops of ice cream. The melted ice cream had barely touched the ground before ants appeared on the scene as if by magic. Ice cream ants. I wondered if ice cream ants get ice cream headaches.

Dodging hailstones

I taught writing classes a long way from home and parked in the staff parking lot. I saw someone pull into the lot and settle into a parking space far from other cars. He had a snazzy car, probably new, and he didn't want to get a door ding or a scratch on his prized possession. He parked so far from a classroom that he had to call an Uber to get him to the door. Golf ball-sized hailstones pounded my car. My poor vehicle had established a familiarity with being hit after spending too much time in treacherous parking ramps. The guy who parked his car in a different area code? His car was battered and his back windshield was knocked out. He should have parked in Hawaii.

I've learned

"Easily" is a word that is easier said than done.

Everybody never says what nobody said.

There's nothing to gain by starting old age at a young age.

Most people will try anything as long as it's a free sample at a supermarket.

Nature notes

Bob Idso of St. Peter wrote about having many Baltimore orioles that have now disappeared. He wondered where they went and if they'll come back to his jelly feeders. When the orioles first arrive in the spring after a long migration, they're eager to refuel and readily take advantage of food offered at feeders. Many of those have moved on to breeding territories elsewhere. For your local birds in June, their nutritional needs change and they eat more insects for the protein. This means they're foraging for food, building nests, incubating eggs and feeding young instead of visiting feeders. You'll still get them, but less frequently. By July, the parents bring their fledglings to the feeders.

"How do I know if a young rabbit needs help?" If the rabbit is fully furred, its eyes are open, it has no visible injuries and is larger than a baseball, it doesn't need rescuing.

"Why are young robins on the ground before they can fly?" Robins leave the nest before they can fly. This flightless time is normal and a vital part of the young birds' development. Fledglings walk, hop, and flap well enough to attempt short flights. They tend to stay close to shrubbery, where they find security.

Around June 1, give or take a few days, I hear honking (goose music) and see a loose V-formation of Canada geese flying overhead in a molt migration. All birds, geese included, shed feathers and replace them at least once each year. Geese become flightless for 4-5 weeks. The molt is timed to occur on the breeding grounds when adult birds are tending goslings. Geese not old enough to breed (they mate at 2-3 years of age), those that lost nests early in the season and those who had their goslings adopted by more experienced or aggressive geese, undertake a molt migration. Individuals may move hundreds of miles to waters where they feel safe while flightless. In September and October, many of these geese return from this seasonal journey.

Meeting adjourned

Wave the flag of human kindness—a smile.

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Fit to print...

Letter to the Editor- Remembering a friend, gentleman, husband and father

By Jay Urdahl

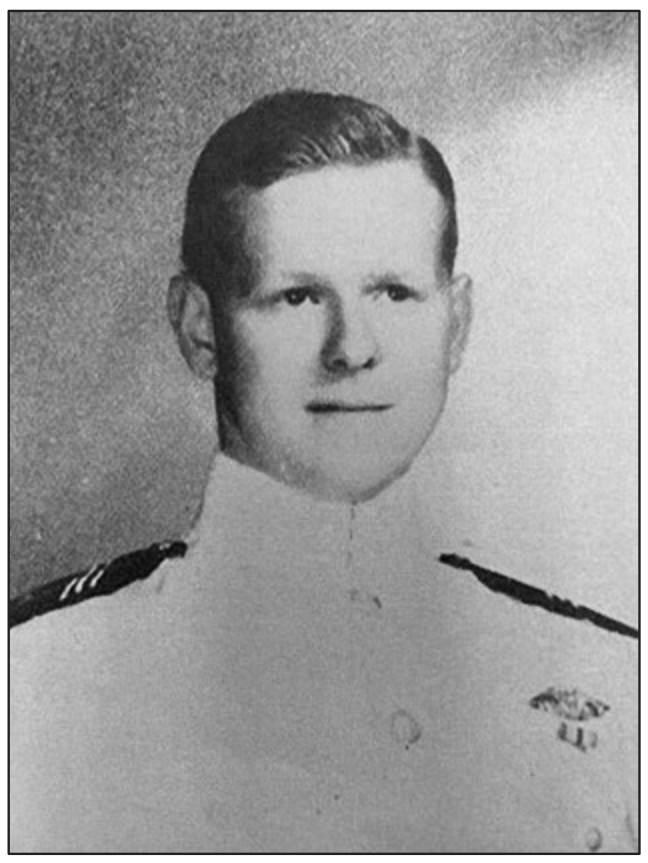
My father, Rodney Urdahl, was born in 1922 and grew up in Northwood, lowa. His parents had immigrated from Norway; Rodney's dad was a farmer; his mother, a homemaker. Back then, Northwood was a haven for Scandinavian immigrants seeking a better, more prosperous life. Dad often said, "we were never poor, but we had no money." He and his younger brother were "always too busy in school and being kids to notice."

In 1928, when penicillin and antibiotics didn't exist, Carl Urdahl died from pneumonia. At the age of five, my dad became the man of the house. The family farm was lost, and my grandmother moved with her two young sons to Mason City.

Despite such daunting circumstances, Dad excelled in school; he was particularly gifted in science and math. As a high school senior in 1940, he was chosen as the starting quarterback for the Mason City Mohawks football team.

Upon graduating in 1941, he enrolled at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in King's Point, New York. Upon graduation from the academy, he served as a Lt. Commander in the United States Merchant Marines, sailing around the world on freighters and tankers in enemy-infested waters. He often credited his strong faith in God for his having survived, unscathed, WWII.

My parents married in 1947 and lived in Mason City. In 1948, Dad bought a bar and pool hall in Belmond, and ran for the lowa Senate in 1950. Returning to Mason City in 1955, Rodney began working, as a chemist, at the Lehigh Cement plant. During this time, he also started his own business: he sold real estate and insurance, and provided accounting services and income tax preparation for numerous north Iowa clients. This enterprise, the Urdahl Agency, prospered until my father's death in 1995.



Dad loved all sports, especially baseball and golf, and nearly always was available to play catch and/or a few holes.

Every summer, he took my mother and my brother and I on a nice family vacation. Rodney simply loved being a father, and excelled at it.

I once asked him for advice on setting and achieving goals in life. He said, "Take one thing you want to accomplish and focus on it completely, and work at it to the best of your ability." I followed that fatherly advice throughout my career, in politics/government and in the private sector - and passed it on to my four children.

Dad was liked by nearly everyone who knew him, because he was a gentleman of what's now called The Old School. He was generous to a fault, respectful, and kind to all - and, particularly, to those without means. Never did I hear him denigrate anyone with slurs or disparaging comments.

In 1996, while campaigning for re-election as a Cero Gordo county Supervisor, I met a Mason Cityan of my father's age. As Dad had died only months earlier, this chance meeting, at the senior citizen's front door, was truly meaningful. This soft-spoken voter had few worldly possessions, and was short, with a withered arm. As he described growing up in Mason City many decades earlier, he recalled that, while walking to school, boys would bully him, due to his deformity. He then said. "But it ended when Rodney Urdahl MADE those bullies stop." He added, "Rodney was the only person who helped me; he was always my friend - and I just wanted you, Jay, to know that."

RODNEY URDAHL: Friend, gentleman, husband and Father. God bless you, Dad. Just thinking about you makes me a better man every day. Happy Father's Day to ALL Fathers, past and present.

Jay Urdahl served as a Cerro Gordo county Supervisor from 1988 to 2016. Now retired, he and his wife, Kristine, live in Mason City.

Northwood Anchor

Worth County students honored at North Iowa Band Festival

The annual North Iowa Band Festival was held recently, including opportunities for local students musicians to showcase their efforts and to compete for band festival royalty. Local schools continued their streaks and had a notable success.

Northwood-Kensett once again took first place amongst Class 1A marching bands. That marks the ninth consecutive Band Festival where N-K earned the recognition.

The annual Band Festival offers a chance for a band king and queen representing each school to be selected as North Iowa Band Festival King and Queen. This year, Central Springs schools made history as the first school to have both members of its school royalty selected as North Iowa Band Festival King and Queen.

Cecelia Hill and Jordan Ryner, both recent Central Springs graduates, were crowned North Iowa Band Festival Royalty.

According to North Iowa Band Festival records, Band Fest Queens have been crowned since 1938. Kings were added to the royalty in 1998. This is the first time since then that both have come from the same school.

Ceclia is the daughter of Andy and Michelle Hill and plans to attend Iowa State University this fall. Jordan's parents are Jayson and Sarah Ryner and he will also enroll at Iowa State.

Hill and Ryner continue a recent tradition of Central Springs students being named North Iowa Band Festival Royalty, marking the seventh and eighth students from the school named king or queen since 2014.

Ways to stop robocalls and texts

Robocalls and texts continue to be a source of annoyance and potential criminal activity. There are steps people can take to avoid falling victim.

• Don't answer calls from unknown numbers-if you accidentally answer, hang up.

• Hang up the phone if the caller or recording asks you to hit a button to stop getting the calls.

• DO NOT respond to any questions, especially those that can be answeredwith "Yes."

• If you receive a call from an "agency/agent" asking for a payment, hang up and contact the company using the number on your statement/billing.

• File a complaint with the FCC if you think you are the victim of a spoofing scam--fcc.gov/complaints.

• Register your phone numbers with the Do Not Call list-1-888-382-1222 (voice) or 866-290-4236(TTY). You must call from the number you want to register. Or, go to donotcall.gov to register.

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
CASE NO. ESPR009323
NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KATHY S. RASMUSSEN, Deceased.

To: All Persons Interested in the Estate of Kathy S. Rasmussen, Deceased, who died on or about on June 17, 2021:

You are hereby notified that on June 1, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Kathy S. Rasmussen, deceased, bearing date of April 17, 1985, was admitted to probate in the above named court and there will be no present administration of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the district court of the 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.

Dated: June 3, 2022

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Proponent
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James W. Hackbart, Attorney
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Date of second publication: June 15, 2022.

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Supervisors

June 6, 2022
Twenty-third 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 May 31, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve drainage claims in the amount of $23,442.50, as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Rognes Bros Excavating, DD 4 Main, Repairs $5,495.00
Peterson Excavating & Drainage, DD 11 Main F, Repairs $1,900.00
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Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 34 Main E, Prof Services ... $1,544.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD 46/Lat 9, Prof Services $1,350.00
Grand Total..... $23,442.50

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to approve claims in the amount of $91,061.05, as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

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Service-Con..... 296.40
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Winnebago Coop Telephone Assn
Service-Gsr 3,362.49
Ziegler Inc
Service-Wwt 2,847.76
Grand Total 91,061.05

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve the sheriff's monthly report. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to set public hearing date for Wind Ordinance on June 27th. Motion carried.

Chairperson Smeby recessed the regular session at 8:53 A.M.

Chairperson Smeby reconvened the regular session at 9:26 A.M.

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where the disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the county in that litigation at 9:27 A.M. Roll call: Stone-aye; Loberg-aye; Smeby-aye. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to close the closed session. Motion carried.

Chairpeson Smeby reconvened the regular session at 10:06 A.M.

No action was taken regarding the closed session.

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to adjourn at 10:06 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Mark Smeby, Chairperson

People's Right To Know

Notice

Public Notice

Worth County Board of Supervisors will be holding a public hearing for an ordinance Regulating the Construction and Operation of Commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems.

The first reading of the ordinance will be held at 9:00 am on June 27th at the Worth County Courthouse Board of Supervisors Room.

A copy of the ordinance can be found at www.worthcountyiowa.gov or one can be obtained at the auditors office.

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Despite 0-7 record Lady Vikings showing improvement with every game

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

When you're 0-7 and have been outscored in those seven games 139-2, not making it past the third inning in any game this season, it's hard to go out and take the field every day, but that's exactly what this brave group of Lady Vikings are doing night in and night out, and despite the lopsided losses, they're showing improvement every game.

With a team loaded with eighth graders, freshman and sophomores, you must measure success in little steps, like scoring not only the first runs of the season but notching two runs in last Tuesday's 16-2 loss at Garner-Hayfield/Ventura.

After giving up all 16 Cardinal runs in the bottom of the first inning, this team, under the leadership of first year head coach Brett Schmidt, never surrendered, instead it went out and collected three hits over the next two innings and outscored GH/V 2-0 in the second and third innings, little steps, big improvements.

Hitting safely in the game at Garner were Kennedy Christiansen (1-2), Addy Tasker (1-2) and Kelsi Liddle (1-1).

Christiansen also got a workout in the circle, throwing 98 pitches in just two innings of work with three Ks to her credit.

The Cardinals have now won four consecutive against Northwood-Kensett, snapping a three game winning streak the Lady Vikings had from 2013 through the 2014 season.

In Wednesday night's 28-0 home loss to the Saints, N-K had just nine at bats with no hits, walks or base runners, falling in three innings to its Top of Iowa Conference East rival.

Saint Ansgar scored more than enough runs in the first two innings to end the contest after the third but with a huge 14-0 lead, the Saints in the top of the third pushed 14 more runs across the plate for a final score of 28-0 with freshman Josie Juhl hurling a seven strikeout no hitter for the visiting Saints.

After a needed night off last Thursday the Lady Vikings last Friday traveled to Osage to face the class 3A Green Devils.

After the first inning, where N-K couldn't field a grounder or a fly ball, the team responded and finished the final two innings playing the way they are capable of playing, eventually losing in three innings, 15-0.

Instead of looking at upcoming games as potential losses let's look at them as another chance to get better, and this week's schedule held many opportunities to do just that with games on Monday at North Butler, Tuesday versus North Iowa, on Wednesday they'll play a varsity only double header against Nashua-Plainfield, on Friday at West Fork and on Saturday the Lady Vikings will compete in the annual West Hancock tournament in Britt.

TIC East Softball Standings

TIC East	Overall
Central Springs	5-0 11-0
West Fork	7-1 9-1
Osage	4-2 10-2
Newman Catholic	5-3 9-6
North Butler	4-4 6-6
Saint Ansgar	-4 9-5
Rockford	1-5 3-7
Nashua-Plainfield	1-7 1-13
Northwood-Kensett	0-6 0-7



N-K's Addy Tasker fires the ball back to the infield last Friday night in Osage. Tasker hasn't gotten much action out in rightfield, but the talented freshman has made herself comfortable at the plate with a solid .286 average, good for third on the team.



Freshman shortstop Topanga Hackenmiller pulls in an infield fly in last Friday night's 15-0 loss in Osage. Hackenmiller has a very respectable .667 fielding percentage through seven games of the season.

Still searching for elusive first win the Vikings look for improvement

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Just looking at a team's record, especially this early in the season, doesn't tell the whole story of just how good a team might become. That's the case with this year's Northwood-Kensett baseball team that this season is in the steady hands of first year head coach Brian Faunsnaugh.

With the loss of seven seniors from last year's squad Faunsnaugh and company have had to field a younger team than they would normally like, but despite the losses piling up, the new head coach sees light at the end of the tunnel.

"We just got to keep grinding, that's about it, we just got to keep getting better as the season goes on," said Faunsnaugh after last Tuesday night's 11-1 loss in Garner. "We are going to make mistakes; we just have to learn from them and eventually illuminate those mistakes. We just have to put the bat on the ball and try to put seven good innings together, which we haven't been able to do yet, but we're getting there."

Last Tuesday's game in Garner was a good example of this, the Vikings, while unable to get anything going offensively, nonetheless played flawlessly in the field and eventually took a 1-0 lead in the top of the third inning.

But the Cardinals, thanks to some fielding miscues and seven walks by N-K pitchers, pushed eight runs across the plate in the bottom of the third, five of those with two outs in the inning, eventually securing the 11-1 win in just five innings of play.

The G-H/V pitching staff allowed just three Viking hits with senior Jace Gentz going 2-3 with the team's lone RBI and senior DH Brayden Reyerson, who went 1-2 on the night.

Last Wednesday night the Vikings played host to their rival from Saint Ansgar.

After a close first couple of innings of play, N-K wound up losing 13-1 in seven innings. N-K was hampered in the game by 13 Ks in its 23 at bats as a team.

In the second inning junior Nolan Senne worked his way on base and then scored the team's only run when Reyerson knocked him in on a fielder's choice.

Seniors Hayden Moore and Gentz shared the pitching duties against the Saints and had a combined six Ks with six walks and just six earned runs allowed.

In last Friday night's game in Osage the Vikings allowed their opponent to score runs in every inning, but the first in the 11-1 six inning loss.

N-K tried to keep the game going the distance but after scoring its lone run in the top of sixth N-K allowed the Green Devils to end the game in the bottom of the inning with two more runs to secure the 11-1 non-conference win for Osage.

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Sometimes it's just bad luck. Here the Vikings catcher, Justin Mills, has a Cardinal base runner thrown out easily, but the runner slides into the ball knocking it out of Evan Lorenzen's reach on the play.



Freshman shortstop Evan Lorenzen makes an over the shoulder catch in last Tuesday night's 11-1 loss in Garner. Lorenzen has been one of the bright spots for the Vikings this season, along with his solid glove he's batting .211 with an on base percentage of .375.

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