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Briefs

Gifts await first baby of 2023

Almost two weeks into the new year, the community is waiting for the news of the first baby of the year born in the Northwood-Kensett school district.

The lucky first baby, and their family will receive a number of prizes from local businesses.

To qualify for the gifts the announcement of the birth must be submitted to the Northwood Anchor as soon as possible.

The winning baby must be born to parents living in the Northwood-Kensett school district. The baby's time and date of birth, gender, place of birth, weight, name and the names of the baby's parents and other family members will be shared.

Once the official announcement has been made in the Northwood Anchor, the parents are welcome to pick up the gifts from the participating merchants.

Worth County 4-H Club leader meeting set for January 19

The Worth County 4-H will be holding a 4-H Club Leader Meeting on Wednesday, January 19, with pizza served at 6 p.m. and a 6:30 p.m. meeting.

The program will be for all Worth County 4-H Club Leaders and 4-H Committee members. The meeting will be to update and inform 4-H volunteer leaders about what their duties and responsibilities are in serving the hundreds of 4-H'ers in Worth County.

More information about the meeting is available by calling Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist, or Kimberly Bode, Worth County Extension 4-H Youth Coordinator, at the Worth County Extension Office in Northwood at 641-324-1531.



'It's Wildlife Wednesday!'

Worth County Conservation has been sharing fun photos and information about their contents on its Facebook page, and now the Northwood Anchor as well. Seen here is the most recent Wildlife Wednesday photo. From Worth County Conservation: "This fox squirrel has found a nice tree cavity to call its home. Typically, a fox squirrel will either find a tree cavity, or build a nest out of twigs and leaves to reside in. These nests are high up in the branches of trees, and are called dreys. While they are not super territorial, fox squirrels will live alone, unless it is a mother with young. Can you spot the blue jay watching the squirrel in this photo?"

Supervisors discuss assuming EMS role

As requests for funding ambulance coverage come in, the Worth County supervisors may have to assume the duties of township trustees to pay the bill.

With a Worth County EMS taxation resolution failing in the November election, the two ambulance providers that currently cover the County have submitted a request for funding, or plan to submit a request, to maintain service as is.

The Mason City Fire Department and Forest City Ambulance services are the current providers in the county. They have charged patients and absorbed remaining costs in the past.

However, insufficient insurance reimbursement and times when they travel without transporting

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NVFC calls up 11.28% in 2022

The Northwood Volunteer Fire Company last week shared figures that showed their response numbers in 2022, and how that compared to the numbers in 2021.

In 2022, the NVFC responded to a total of 444 calls for service. That was up 45 calls, or up 11.28%, from 399 calls in 2021.

In 2022, the 444 calls broke down into 52 calls to respond to fires, including eight structure fires.

The NVFC responded to 392 emergency medical calls in the last year.

County residents appointed to boards, commissions

The Worth County supervisors recently approved appointments to local and regional boards, groups and commissions.

Below are the appointments recently made by the supervisors:

County Board of Health (three year terms) –Dennis Bartz and Kathryn Meyer;

Commission of Veteran Affairs (three year term) – Paul Ferley;

Weed Commissioner (one year term) – Michael Bode;

County Board of Review (six year term) – Mike Romig;

Conservation Board (five year term) – Mark Lindflott;

County Eminent Domain Compensation Board (one year terms) – David Bang, Keith Braun, Dick Bruns, Aaron Carman, Ron Davidson, Steve Davidson, Tim Enderson, Kris Gordon, Clara Helgeland, David Hengesteg, David Irons, Larry M. Johnson, Myron Lupkes, Erling Myli, Chad Nelson, Jane Podgorniak, Julie Robb, Tyson Robb, Michael Romig, Arlo Rugland, Erin Runde, Roger Rustad, Laura Sabby, Terry Steinmetz, Paul Tenold, Earl Trenhaile, Ben Tweeten and Steve Wise;

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Lions blood drive tomorrow

The Northwood Lions Club along with LifeServe Blood Center of North Iowa are sponsoring the first blood drive of 2023, tomorrow, Thursday, January 12, between 1:30 and 5:30 p.m.

The location has been changed to the Worth County Fairgrounds Community Room, located

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Year in Review

April storms, graduation, events return in person, fair time, ribbons cut

April

Storms in mid-April left areas with significant damage, primarily from the heavy rains that left flooded spots throughout communities.

The WCDA held its first in-person awards ceremony since the outbreak of the pandemic. They awarded $1,144,626.22 in grants. The City of Northwood received the largest award for its solar energy project.

The Northwood-Kensett FFA chapter held its annual awards banquet. Members of the chapter were recognized for their achievements over the past school year, and for their time in the FFA program.

Northwood-Kensett officially opened its new administrative offices and transportation facility. The district purchased and remodeled the former TS Express property for its new buildings.

The traditional Senior Tea returned, after the event was cancelled for the previous two years due to pandemic concerns.

N-K held its annual prom, with a theme of "Under the Stars." Students showed off their prom attire in the grand march before gathering at the high school for prom and post prom activities at the Worth County Fairgrounds.

Trinity Health became the sole owner of the MercyOne facilities and assets, including the clinic in Northwood.

May

Two Worth County projects were awarded $600,000 in housing grants. In Manly and in Northwood, downtown buildings received $300,000 towards an upper level conversion into three apartments at each location.

Sukup Manufacturing held a ribbon cutting to mark one year of operations

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The Team Adams members once again played a big part in June's Relay For Life event.



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

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Sat. Jan. 7	19	-2	
Sun. Jan. 8	18	0	
Mon. Jan. 9	35	8	

Vikings in action — See Sports Inside

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Zoning Board of Adjustment (five year term) – Brian Tweeten;

Civil Service Commission (six year term) – Bob Linden;

Care Connections of Northern Iowa Governing Board (one year terms) - A.J. Stone, Enos Loberg;

Central Iowa Detention Center (three year terms) – Mark Smeby, A.J. Stone;

North Iowa Long Term Disaster Recovery Committee – Enos Loberg, Mark Tomlinson, Melissa Michaelis;

Board of Directors – Second Judicial District Department of Correctional Services (one year terms) – Enos Loberg, A.J. Stone;

Iowa Workforce (three year term) – Mark Smeby;

NCRERC (three year term) – Mark Smeby, A.J. Stone;

NIACOG (one year terms) – A.J. Stone, Mark Smeby, Doug Moehle, Merlin Bartz;

Transportation Policy Board (one year terms) – Mark Smeby, Melissa Michaelis;

NIACOG Revolving Loan Fund Committee (one year term) –Chad Nelson;

North Iowa Vocational Center, Inc. (two year terms) – Mark Smeby, A.J. Stone;

Regional II Transit Advisory Committee (three year terms) – A.J. Stone, Mark Smeby;

Airport Zoning Ordinance-Board of Adjustment (three year term) – Michael Dierenfeld;

City of Manly/Board of Adjustment (five year term) – A.J. Stone;

City of Manly/Planning and Zoning Commission (five year term) – Joe Siems

County Zoning Commission- Kathryn Meyer

Shell Rock River Watershed Management Coalition Board- AJ Stone and Jim Hanson

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someone means that the services have had costs for Worth County services not completely repaid.

The Mason City Fire Department recently submitted a request for $292,000 to respond to ambulance calls in the majority of the county east of Interstate 35. The Forest City Ambulance Service is expected to submit a request for $45,000, to respond west of the interstate.

At the January 2 meeting, the supervisors further discussed a potential option to pay the services to continue acting as the county's designated responders.

A state law would allow the County to assume the responsibility of designating fire and emergency medical services in the county's townships. Doing so would also allow the County to use an emergency services fund to pay the costs involved.

There was some question about the process, and what the County's options were for raising taxes to cover the emergency medical costs, as well as how the County could manage the different rates and methods of funding fire coverage that the township trustees currently handle.

With only one official request in their hands, the supervisors opted to get more clarification on that and other options after Forest City submits its request.

Options remain as bottle bill changes go into effect

Legislation signed into law last year went into effect at the start of the new year and changes what is required of stores when it comes to accepting redeemable cans and bottles.

As of January 1, the deposit paid and returned for those purchasing qualifying containers remains the same at 5 cents, but stores that meet specific qualifications are no longer required to accept them.

Criteria for stores to stop accepting containers includes, in counties with a population of less than 30,000, for there to be an approved redemption center within 15 miles; or if the store holds a qualifying food redemption license, staff and sells time/temperature controlled food, if redemption may impact food safety.

Stores must display on their front doors the location of the nearest approved redemption center if they stop accepting containers.

The DNR has taken on the enforcement of the bottle bill with the changes. That will include an online list of approved centers later this year, after the January 31 deadline for redemption centers to apply as official alternatives.

In Worth County, the Manly Redemption Center is the closest local DNR-approved place to redeem containers.

The legislation raised the amount that redemption centers receive for the containers, to help better offset the costs involved. Previously, centers received 1 cent per container. They will now receive 3 cents per container, for those that meet state guidelines. The increase is designed to help better offset the costs of operating redemption centers to provide more alternatives.

While stores may consider whether or not they continue with redemption policies, a number of other alternatives remain available for those that want to dispose of cans and bottles, while helping local causes.

In Northwood, cans and bottles may be left at spots under the downtown water tower, with proceeds donated to either the local fireworks fund or Worth County Community of Promise.

In Manly, a bin is located at the Manly Redemption Center, with proceeds going towards the Manly Development Group and the community events and activities they organize.

Harvest proclamation extended in Iowa

On Wednesday, December 21, Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds signed an extension of the proclamation relating to the weight limits and transportation of grain, fertilizer, and manure.

The Harvest Proclamation is effective immediately and continues through January 20, 2023. The proclamation allows vehicles transporting corn, soybeans, hay, straw, silage, stover, fertilizer (dry, liquid, and gas), and manure (dry and liquid) to be overweight (not exceeding 90,000 pounds gross weight) without a permit for the duration of this proclamation.

The proclamation applies to loads transported on all highways within Iowa (excluding the interstate system) and those which do not exceed a maximum of 90,000 pounds gross weight, do not exceed the maximum axle weight limit determined under the non-primary highway maximum gross weight table in Iowa Code § 321.463 (6) (b), by more than 12.5 percent, do not exceed the legal maximum axle weight limit of 20,000 pounds, and comply with posted limits on roads and bridges.

New entry-level CDL training program announced

This past December, Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds announced the newly created Iowa Entry-Level Driver Training Program to provide more opportunities for interested truck drivers to obtain their commercial driver's license (CDL) in Iowa.

"Truck drivers play such a critical role in meeting our supply chain demands--'If you got it, a truck driver brought it'. Like the rest of the nation, Iowa, too, has a high demand for truck drivers; and in order to meet that demand, we need innovative solutions that reduce barriers for anyone interested in obtaining a CDL license," said Gov. Reynolds. "This new program will break down barriers that currently exist for obtaining a CDL and provide support to organizations who sponsor these critical training opportunities right here in Iowa."

The new Iowa Entry-Level Driver Training Program will provide $6 million to support employers, nonprofits, or related organizations who sponsor or partner on key training programs designed to prepare potential drivers for CDL skills or knowledge tests. The grant program hopes to remove costly barriers and, ultimately, create more drivers with CDL licenses across the state.

"The Entry-Level Driver Training Program provides more opportunities to obtain a CDL, but it also makes it easier for employers to recruit and train their own drivers," said Beth Townsend, Director of Iowa Workforce Development. "This effort will also make our state more competitive in these high-demand fields by helping employers offer the right training when and where their workers need it."

Earlier this year, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration implemented Entry-Level Driver Training, requiring all new drivers to undertake additional training requirements on top of existing CDL standards. Current CDL training can be costly and/or limited, making the pathway to obtain or upgrade a license more difficult despite a much higher demand for drivers. All training providers and drivers are required to meet all Federal driving standards under the ELDT program.

Grant funding for the Iowa Entry-Level Driver Training Program will reimburse eligible organizations in Iowa that offer these critical training programs either in-house or through partnerships with certified training providers. If the program is provided in-house, reimbursement can be used on instructor wages, curriculum materials, and maintenance needs. If the program is offered via outside training providers, reimbursement must go towards Entry-Level Driver Training program tuition.

Additional requirements:

Eligible applicants: Iowa-based employers, employer consortiums, and non-profits who employ Iowa CDL drivers and provide Entry-Level Driver Training either in-house or through partnership with third-party certified training providers.

Funds are administered as reimbursement only following documented training certification and a CDL exam within 30 days of a participant's first day of training (first day of either behind-the-wheel or theory).

Applications will be accepted at IowaGrants.gov beginning on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 and are due on Friday, February 3, 2023, at 11:59 AM. (Note: IowaGrants.gov will undergo scheduled website maintenance and will be unavailable December 2-12)

More information on the grant, its requirements, and the application process can be found online at www.futurereadyiowa.gov/entry-level-driver.

Enrollment figures show conference decreases, state increases

Recently released information shows the official enrollment numbers of school districts throughout the state of Iowa, when collected this past fall. The information shows how numbers have changed statewide and across the Top of Iowa Conference since the previous school year.

Statewide, the official public school enrollment in the 2021-2022 school year was 481,248. In the current school year, that increased 465 to 481,713, up 0.10%.

The total enrollment in non-public schools increased from 33,597 in the 2021-2022 school year to 33,692 in the current school year. That was an increase of 95, or 0.28%.

The combined official enrollment of public and non-public schools was 514,845 in 2021-2022. In the 2022-2023 school year, the combined total was 515,405. That was an increase of 560, or 0.11%.

Public schools in the Top of Iowa Conference include the Belmond-Klemme, Central Springs, Eagle Grove, Garner-Hayfield-Ventura, Lake Mills, Nashua-Plainfield, North Butler, North Iowa, Northwood-Kensett, North Union, Osage, Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock, St. Ansgar and West Hancock school districts.

These districts had a combined official enrollment of 10,456 in the 2021-2022 school year. In the 2022-2023 school year, the districts had a total official enrollment of 10,412. That was a decrease of 44, or 0.42%.

The district's two non-public school districts, Bishop Garrigan and Newman Catholic, had a combined official enrollment of 863 in the previous school year. In the current school year, they had a combined enrollment of 855. That made a decrease of 8, or 0.93%.

Of the 18 districts in the conference, 8 showed an increase in enrollment between the school years. The remaining 10 districts showed a decrease.

Of the 5 districts with borders in Worth County, 3 showed increases, and 2 decreased.

Northwood-Kensett's enrollment increased from 502 in the previous school year to 519 in the current school year, up 3.39%.

The Central Springs school district decreased from 751 to 740 in the current school year, down 11 or 1.46%.

The Forest City school district enrollment went from 1,069 to 1,078, up 9 or 0.84%

The Lake Mills district decreased 15, or 2.30%, from 653 to 638.

The St. Ansgar district went from 548 in the last school year to 571 in the current school year. That was an increase of 23 or 4.20%.

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at 1206 Third Ave. North.

"We are in need of new donors."

Donors may schedule an appointment in either of the following ways: calling Lions Club member Bob Perry at 641-324-2252, or log on to lifeservebloodcenter.org.

Scheduled appointments have preference over those who are without appointments and scheduling allows for social distancing for health reasons during the increased number of COVID, flu and RSV cases.





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Many areas were left partially submerged following heavy rains in April.



A ribbon cutting opened the new administrative offices and transportation facilities of N-K.



Bolan's Vacation Bible School brought young people and volunteers to the event.



Younger students traveled to the high school for the annual Elementary Track & Field meet.

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at its steel coil facility in Manly.

It was announced that, after two years, free lunch for all students nationwide was coming to an end. The expansion of the free lunch program began as a way to provide meals for the students that were required to stay home at the start of the pandemic.

During their commencement ceremonies, 43 members of the class of 2022 celebrated their graduation.

The Class of 2022 earned $649,765.19 in scholarships, including $404,165.19 from the WCDA and $245,600 from local scholarships.

The N-K Elementary students traveled to the high school to take part in the annual elementary track and field games and events.

Two longtime teachers retired from N-K. Math teacher Lori Willert and language arts teacher Deb Faugstad bid farewell with combined 75 years of experience.

N-K student athlete Wyatt Willand came home from the State Track Meet with four state event championships, as well as the team wheelchair state championship.

The girls shuttle hurdle relay team also succeeded at State Track, bringing home a third place medal.

Worth County succeeded at the North Iowa Band Festival. N-K took first place in class 1A for the ninth year in a row. Central Springs made history with both the school's king and queen earning the honor of being named as North Iowa Band Festival King and Queen.

The Worth County Supervisors expanded zoning ordinances so that they applied countywide, from the previously zoning, which applied to the three interstate townships.

Sharlene Stoddard was remembered and honored for 40 years of service to local history, by members of the Helen Hinman Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

A new rescue vehicle was added to the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company's fleet.

June

The Relay For Life held a Big Purple Birthday Party, with local survivors enjoying food, fun and celebration, while raising funds for the fight against cancer.

A ribbon cutting was held to welcome the new owners of Carquest Auto, Alissa and Troy Fleener and Mike Brunsvold.

A pink pig with monarch wings appeared on the upper level of a downtown Northwood building, sparking conversation for weeks. The artwork was a sign of things underway at Art Farm Iowa and the future wine and art offerings in the building expected in 2023.

The 2022 Worth County Fair was held. Family, friends and neighbors gathered for food, entertainment and events that highlighted the skills and efforts of Worth County residents of all ages.

N-K gymnast Haddie Hanson, 15, returned home from a national tournament with a championship. Hanson's team also took the team trophy in the event.

Bolan once again welcomed almost 100 visitors for Vacation Bible School. Young people and volunteers from seven area churches traveled to the Bolan community to take part.

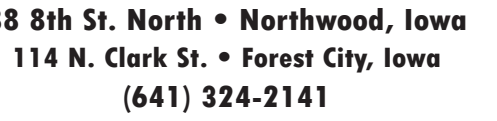
Readers were once again invited to read the Bible at the courthouse in Worth County, joining others doing so at courthouses throughout the state.

The Worth County Board of Supervisors adopted a wind turbine ordinance in the county's zoning regulations.

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Calendar of Events for January 2023

January 12–ISU Extension Area Awards Meeting at Virtual Zoom Session, 9 A.M. to Noon with Dennis Johnson County Extension Education Specialist, Lacey Waller, Worth County Extension Office Manager and Kimberly Bode, Worth County Extension 4-H Youth Leader
January 13–ISU Extension Crop Advantage Day with NIACC Muse Norris Conference Center, Mason City, 9 A.M. with Angie Rieck-Hinz, ISU Regional Extension Crop Specialist, Sarah DeBorer, Cerro Gordo County Extension Director and Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
January 14–Worth County Clover Kids Kensett Program, 10-11 a.m. at TBD
January 15–Worth County Fairboard Meeting at Signature's Supper Club, 3 P.M. with Dennis Johnson
January 15–Silver Lake Huskers 4-H Club Meeting at Truman Helgeson Civic Center, Lake Mills, 6 P.M. with Mary Buren, Silver Lake Huskers 4-H Club Leader
January 18–Regional Extension 4-H Staff Meeting at Cerro Gordo County Extension Office, Mason City, 9 A.M. with Dennis Johnson, Kimberly Bode and Erica Holiday, Regional Extension 4-H Youth Specialist
January 19–Worth County 4-H Clover Kids Meeting at Worth County Extension Office, Northwood at After School Program with Lacey Waller, Worth County Extension Office Manager and 4-H Clover Kids Coordinator
January 19–Worth County Clover Kids K-1 After School Program, 3:30-5 p.m., Worth County Fairgrounds Community Room
January 19–Worth County 4-H Volunteer Leader Training at Worth County Extension Office Community Room, Northwood, 6 P.M. Pizza and 6:30 P.M. Meeting with Erica Holiday, Kimberly Bode and Dennis Johnson
January 20-21–4-H Snow Tubing Winter Adventure Trip at Youth Y- Campgrounds, Boone, Iowa, Weekend Two Day Camp Depart from Extension Office, Mason City 4:30 P.M. with Kimberly Bode
January 21–Worth County 4-H Recognition Application Workshop at Worth County Extension Office, Northwood, 10 A.M. to Noon with Dennis Johnson
January 22–Deer Creek Wahelo 4-H Club Meeting at TBD, TBD with Anneke Urbatsch and Gina Solberg, Deer Creek Wahelo 4-H Club Leaders
January 24–Worth County Substance Abuse Prevention Meeting at Wood Fire Grill at Diamond Jo Event Center, 10 A.M. with Dennis Johnson
January 26–Worth County Clover Kids 2-3 After School Program, 3:30-5 p.m. at Worth County Fairgrounds Community Room
January 28–Worth County 4-H Intermediate Award Trip to ISU at Iowa State University Campus, Ames Iowa, 8:30 A.M. Departure to Ames with Kimberly Bode and Dennis Johnson
January 28–Worth County 4-H Clover Kids Meeting at Kensett Town Hall, 10 A.M. with Lacey Waller
January 31–North Iowa Community College Ag Advisory Committee Meeting at Muse Norris Conference Center, NIACC Campus, Mason City, 5:30 P.M. with Dennis Johnson
February 1–State 4-H Recognition Award Applications Due at State 4-H Office, 11:59 P.M.

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Swope graduates from Union University

On December 17, 210 students graduated from Union University during fall commencement services of the 198th graduating class in G.M. Savage Memorial Chapel.

The graduates included Megan Swope, of Joice, with a BS degree in Business Administration in Management.

Insights on the school budget process

By Michael Kalvig
Chief Financial Officer for Central Rivers AEA



MICHAEL KALVIG

Public schools in Iowa are required to have their school board adopt a budget and have it submitted to the county auditor by April 15 each year. One of the main purposes of the budget is to set the maximum level of expenditures the district intends to spend in the next fiscal year. As a citizen of a school district, the maximum tax rate that is being certified in the budget may also be of interest to you.

In most school districts, the school business official and superintendent are responsible for preparing the budget for adoption. They go through a process of reviewing the revenue and expenditures, ensure the balances for each of the funds are adequate and set the property tax rates accordingly. Some districts also utilize an income surtax rate that serves as a method to reduce the burden on property tax payers and collect some funding from income tax payers.

Before the budget is adopted by the school board, the budget and public hearing date are published in a newspaper of general circulation within the district. The published budget includes a summary of revenues and expenditures of many different funds. The most common funds summarized on the budget are the General Fund, Student Activity Fund, Management Fund, Sales Tax Fund, Physical, Plant, and Equipment Levy (PPEL), Debt Service and Nutrition. Each fund is used for a specific purpose which can be found in Iowa Administrative Code 281.

The public hearing is a chance for community members to provide comments on the proposed budget before it is adopted by the School Board. I would recommend you contact your school business office prior to the public hearing if you do have questions or concerns about the budget. It is always best to ask questions and make sure you understand what is being presented prior to making comments at the public hearing.

The budget process is important for transparency. Transparency promotes accountability, which helps to ensure public resources are used efficiently and effectively. Should you be interested in school finance or other school operations, I would encourage you to consider running for your local school board. It is a great opportunity to serve your community and the experience can be informative and rewarding.

Michael Kalvig is the Chief Financial Officer for Central Rivers AEA. He can be reached at mkalvig@centralriversaea.org. Central Rivers Area Education Agency provides leadership and service to 53 public and 18 non-public schools in an 18-county area of north central Iowa. Learn more at www.centralriversaea.org.



Assembling aviary accommodations

Students in the Northwood-Kensett Ecology class spent some time before the holiday break helping make homes for colorful flying residents and visitors of the area. The students worked with Worth County Conservation to build blue bird houses. The bird houses will be placed throughout the county to give blue birds a place to nest when spring arrives.

Help preschoolers learn about emotions

Preschoolers have a lot to learn as they grow from toddlers to school age. Handling emotions begins in the preschool years, said Cheryl Clark, a human sciences specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

As children learn about emotions, adults can help them understand that all the emotions they feel are normal, said Clark, who specializes in family well-being.

"Feelings are universal: everyone has them. There are helpful ways and less helpful ways to deal with feelings, but the feelings themselves are not bad or good," Clark said. Feelings can change quickly: a child may be happily giggling one minute, then quickly begin to cry; it's common to have more than one feeling at a time.

Parents or caregivers can take the first steps in helping preschoolers understand how they feel by naming the emotions they're feeling.

"Most of us are pretty comfortable naming happy, sad or mad. But there are so many other emotions, and it's not just 4-year-olds who have trouble naming them. It can be hard for adults to know what our feelings are called, too," Clark said. "Especially in stressful times like the past few years, when so much is happening to and around us, it's important to be intentional about noticing and naming our own feelings."

Clark offered some simple activities to do at home to help children name and recognize feelings.

Use your facial expressions and body language to play feelings charades. Act out different feelings and take turns guessing. Add a mirror so that your child can see how their face looks, too.

Keep a list of words that describe feelings on the fridge or bulletin board. When children learn new words, add them to the list. Or use magnetic alphabet letters to spell out feeling words.

Share books to open up conversations about feelings. Through books children can name and recognize feelings. They also learn that other people have feelings, too. Books let children see how characters manage their feelings in helpful or not-so-helpful ways. Ask your local children's librarian for suggestions on good books to share with children, such as "The Way I Feel" by Janan Cain.

For more information on helping your preschooler learn about emotions, explore The Science of Parenting resources from ISU Extension and Outreach.

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Northwood Anchor Legal

City of Kensett

The Kensett City Council met in regular session 12/12/22 at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall with Mayor Corey Pulju presiding. Council Members present were Heiken, Douglas & Woltzen.

Absent: Parker

Visitors: K. Thompson

Mayor called meeting to order.

Motion to approve agenda by Douglas, 2nd by Woltzen, carried unanimously.

Motion to approve minutes by Heiken, 2nd by Woltzen, carried unanimously.

R. Bauer- ITRON update: on point as far as we know, April 15th deadline. Also stated that the lagoon is drained.

Clerk mentioned the need of a phone with a speaker and the return of printer toners.

Old Business: Fall grant paperwork, received a grant for the water tower painting.

New Business: WCDA grants discussed for Spring.

Transfer switch for generator will be ordered, Motion made by Woltzen, 2nd by Douglas, carried unanimously.

Annual Financial report approved.

Street Finance report approved.

Reminder of Special Election on the 13th.

Treasurer's Report: November 2022 Revenues by Fund: General 5570.20, Utilities 5875.31, Special 2275.33. Total Revenues: $13,720.84. Stands approved as read.

Motion to approve bills by Heiken, 2nd by Woltzen, carried unanimously.

Payable: Alliant Energy 2421.56, WCTA 275.44, B. Luckason 708.24 (net), R. Bauer 1720.73 (net), L. McNally 1407.98 (net), Federal & SS 1224.99 (payroll), IPERS 805.86 (payroll), Tractor Loan Payment #46/60 321.98 (casino $-general), Fox Auction 100.00 (CC deposit refund – general), VISA 224.00 (conference – general), IMWCA 47.00 (premium adjustment- general), L. McNally 481.49 (scanner reimbursement- general), T. Rollene 959.37 (mowing-general), Worth County Treasurer 53.00 (property tax main st- general), Kensett Water Works 104.00 (sewer fees), Waste Management 1593.65 (garbage & recycling-general), C. Pulju 230.87 (payroll-net), KFD 400.00 (fire protection), AgSource 26.75 (service-sewer-testing), L. McNally 66.25 (mileage- general), Nelson Septic 250.00 (service-general), Bice Electric 350.00 (xmas lights-general), Iowa One Call 18.00 (service- sewer), Menards 162.83 (supplies- general), AgSource 267.50 (service-sewer-testing), R80 389.44 (gas-road use), Hach 800.07 (service-water testing), Anchor 289.36 (publications-general), Van Wert Co 4365.00 (supplies-water/grant), Arlys Bergdale 105.00 (cleaning), Baker & Taylor 259.43 (books), Herb Thompson 126.25 (maintenance), Culligan 32.10 (supplies), Lucy Heiken 161.07 (food for meeting), D & C Window Cleaning 30.00 (service), Midwest Tape 23.24 (supplies).

Disbursements by Fund: General 7357.17, Special 1376.05, Utilities 5970.56, Payroll 6118.67 (gross)

Total Disbursements: $ 20,822.45

Motion to adjourn by Heiken, 2nd by Woltzen, carried unanimously.

Krystal Thompson, City Clerk
Corey Pulju, Mayor

Worth County Salaries

WORTH COUNTY ANNUAL SALARIES FOR 2022

As per the Iowa Code Chapter 349.18, the salaries of persons employed by the County shall be published annually showing the total amount of annual salary.

Employee Name	Salary
AAMODT, ROBERT	57,235.09
ANDERSON, LEXEE	30,001.82
ANDERSON, RICK	52,490.49
ATHEY, JASON	22,827.57
BACKHAUS, BRETT	58,968.40
BACKHAUS, JACKI	61,819.48
BAKKEN, GERALD	14,607.56
BAKKER, SHELLIE	18,370.24
BALEK, RONALD	40.94
BERG, JAMES	4,740.88
BODE, MICHAEL	56,498.97
BODTKE, TERI	40,473.92
BOECKHOLT, LISA	42,152.62
BORCHARDT, WILLIAM	57.88
BROWN, KIMBERLY	22,368.90
BRUMM, RICHARD	135,918.72
BRUNS, JUSTIN	36,283.49
BRUNSVOLD, BLAIR	12,296.09
BRUNSVOLD, GARY	9,268.00
BUTLER, LYNN	57,956.33
BUTLER, MARGIE	11,673.98
BUTLER, SHANA	56,209.03
CHRISTESON, RICK	71,789.22
CHRISTIANSON, SARA	39,350.08
CHRISTIANSON, TIMOTHY	7,144.36
CLAGETT, THOMAS	6,773.27
CLARK, NILA	13,675.71
COOK, TYLER	57,685.74
COTTRELL, MARK	7,043.25
COYLE, JOHN	23,705.80
CRAWFORD, RANDY	43,381.44
DALLUGE, JACOB	2,796.15
DORSEY, TERI	51,238.53
DOTY, CHELSEY	42,666.74
DOTY, DUSTIN	43,804.96
DOUTY, SARAH	17,434.69
DUVE, MATTHEW	5,100.00
EILERTSON, MARK	50,561.45
FANK, DAN	80,612.44
FAUGHT, CHRIS	8,528.00
FERLEY, PAUL	550.00
FLATTUM, CALLIE	45,578.32
GANGSEI, DANA	26,586.07
GANGSEI, JULIE	22,752.06
GREVE, JEFFREY	88,032.96
HACKBART, PAUL	48.20
HACKBART, PHILIP	773.04
HANSEN, RYAN	59,579.09
HANSON, JACOB	61,924.48
HANSON, JAMES	60,324.44
HAYDEN, ZACHARY	19,972.60
HEIMS, JAY	18,477.72
HELGESON, JORDAN	59,020.67
HELMERS, CHAD	1,955.20
HENGESTEG, STEPHANIE	49,281.40
HENNIGAR, KIMBERLY	48,085.60
HERWEYER, DEBRA	350.00
HICKLE, JOLENE	48,345.16
HOVEY, ISAAC	51,493.66
JOHNSON, TERESA	3,381.25
JORGENSEN, AMY	49,281.40
KISNER, COLTON	53,251.50
KNUDSON, KEVIN	60,950.33
KNUDTSON, DAWN	39,815.84
KRUGER, JUSTIN	45.70
LAHR, ALEXANDRA	25,560.43
LEE, STEPHANIE	51,877.93
LESTRUD, SCOTT	53,743.49
LOBERG, ENOS	31,492.12
LUCKASON, JAMIE	42,124.00
LUND, BRIAN	37,891.78
LUND, MINDY	30,249.13
LUTHER, JESSE	71,475.23
MCLAUGHLIN, JOHN	52,108.04
MEYER, RUSSELL	67,441.92
MYLI, ANDREA	38,998.24
NERLIEN, GARY	5,025.31
NOLAN, AMANDA	3,587.23
NORTH, JUSTIN	58,584.82
O'HERN, TERRY	3,616.00
OLSON, BRYON	60,562.79
OLSON, TERESA	61,924.48
OPPMAN, MAKAYLA	14,109.76
OUVERSON, LINDA	28,230.56
PATTERSON, TAMMY	38,494.65
PAULSON, DENNIS	59,762.49
PAULSON, VALERIE	44,940.72
POPP, DAKOTA	18,139.73
PULJU, CORWYN	32,886.96
REID, THOMAS	17,489.88
REYERSON, DAVID	62,335.12
REYERSON, JESSICA	72,187.28
REYERSON, RAEGEN	62,008.99
RODEMEYER, LOIS	40,828.63
ROHNE, JOEL	67,798.74
ROSENBERG, JOSHUA	10,183.21
RUSH, BOB	1,200.00
SCHRUPP, ZACHARY	61,995.35
SCHUTZ, JILL	25,581.95
SMEBY, MARK	31,918.36
SMITH, JOHN	69,401.08
SPRINGER, LAURIE	27,336.50
STAYNER, MARILYN	65,758.87
STEVENS, AARON	51,706.47
STEVENS, JUDY	51,111.36
STONE, AARON	31,238.44
THOMPSON, CINDY	65,386.48
THOMPSON, KRYSTAL	5,236.95
TOMLINSON, MARK	51,143.92
TUTTLE, TIMOTHY	54,233.69
VAN SABBEN, THERESA	24,535.53
VENZ, ALAN	53,651.31
WALKER, HEAVEN	16,138.39
WALLIN, BRIAN	51,715.06
WARREN, SAMUEL	11,005.74
WENDEL, KIRSTIN	36,399.96
WENTWORTH, THOMAS	44,052.55
WURTZEL, CHAD	64,566.74

Notice

TRUST NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE LAVONNE M. CLAGETT TRUST

To all persons regarding Lavonne M. Clagett, deceased, who died on or about December 26, 2022. You are hereby notified that Steven R. Clagett is the Trustee of the Lavonne M. Clagett Revocable Trust U/A dated June 12, 2018. Any action to contest the validity of the trust must be brought in the District Court of Worth County, Iowa, within the later to occur of four (4) months from the date of second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent settlor and the spouse of the decedent settlor whose identities are reasonably ascertainable. Any suit not filed within this period shall be forever barred.

Notice is further given that any person or entity possessing a claim against the trust must mail proof of the claim to the trustees at the addresses listed below via certified mail, return receipt requested, by the later to occur of four (4) months from the second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice if required or the claim shall be forever barred unless paid or otherwise satisfied.

Dated on January 5, 2023.

Steven R. Clagett, Fiduciary
1948 410th Street
Kensett, IA 50448-7585

John P. Lander #AT0004583
Attorney for Trustees
Brown, Kinsey, Funkhouser & Lander, P.L.C.
214 North Adams,
P.O. Box 679
Mason City, Iowa 50402-0679

Date of second publication the 18th day of January, 2023.

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Supervisors

December 29, 2022
Fifty-second 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 Loberg/Second Stone to approve today's agenda and minutes from December 19, 2022 meetings. Motion carried.

Jeff Greve, County Attorney; Teresa Olson, Recorder; A.J. Stone and Enos Loberg, Supervisors; were sworn in by Jacki Backhaus, Auditor, as new county officials.

Jolene Hickle was sworn in as Deputy Recorder by Teresa Olson.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve drainage claims in the amount of $10,024.91 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Edgar Drainage & Excavating, DD 45, Repairs.....$695.00
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD 14, Prof Services.....$3,485.00
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD 48, Prof Services.....$5,266.00
Edgar Drainage & Excavating, DD 21 East, Repairs.....$422.25
Northwood Anchor Inc, DD 2 Main, Repairs.....$156.66
Grand Total.....$10,024.91

Motion Stone/Second Loberg to approve claims in the amount of $162,499.26 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Agvantage Fs Inc
Fuel-Eng 11,967.65
Alliant Energy
Service-Eng 10,999.05
Aramark, Service-Eng 493.18
Badker Plumbing & Heating Inc
Service-Eng 325.00
Bargen Inc, Service-Eng 12,590.00
Berge Oil Company
Fuel-Eng 6,474.89
Black Hills Energy Inc
Service-Eng 1,863.91
Bmc Aggregates Llc
Sand-Eng 679.85
Bomgaars Supply, Inc
Supplies-Con 744.94
Bryn Pangburn
Election-Aud 164.38
C J Cooper & Associates Inc
Service-Eng 130.00
Cemstone Concrete Materials, Llc
Sand-Eng 407.16
Central Ia Detention
Service-Juj 8,510.00
Centurylink, Service-Eng 97.72
Com-Tec Land Mobile Radio
Service-Shf 693.50
Culligan Of Mason City
Service-Trs 39.00
D & L Equipment
Service-Eng 643.75
Dave Syverson Truck Center
Parts-Eng 101.71
Diamond Mowers Inc
Parts-Eng 1,404.28
Eilertson Repair
Service-Shf 20.00
Falkstone Llc
Rock-Eng 741.79
Gail Read, Election-Aud 163.13
Hartland Lubricants & Chemicals
Supplies-Eng 540.50
Ia Dept Of Public Safety
Service-Shf 1,737.00
Icap, Ins-911 ..... 2,279.00
Jay Heims, Reimb-Asr 153.60
Jessica Reyerson
Reimb-Phd 100.00
Joel Rohne, Reimb-Dap 202.14
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf 1,159.85
John Deere Financial
Supplies 1,062.91
Julie Gangsei, Mileage-Phd. 39.00
Knudtson Automotive Service
Service-Shf 2,339.70
Lawson Products Inc
Supplies-Eng 1,586.72
Lexee Anderson
Mileage-Phd 18.00
Luckason Tractor Repair
Supplies-Con 471.48
Mail Services Llc
Supplies-Trs 456.98
Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Dap 322.95
Mediacom, Service-Gsr 274.90
Mercyone North Iowa Occupational Health
Service-Eng 102.00
Midwest Wheel Companies Inc
Parts-Eng 1,709.82
Myron Corp, Supplies-Vaf . 225.07
Nassco Inc., Supplies-Gsr .. 510.77
Niacog Housing Trust Fund
Fy23 Appro-Org 2,000.00
Northwood Anchor Inc
Dd 2 Main - Serivice 144.00
Peopleservice Inc
Service-Wat & Wwt 19,749.00
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc
Service-Shf 59.87
Purchase Power
Service-Trs 1,580.97
Reinhart Food Service Llc
Supplies-Shf 580.47
Safety Solutions
Service-Eng 500.00
Shred Right, Service-Phd 97.41
Sorenson's Appliance & Tv
Supplies-Shf 305.00
Staples Credit Plan
Supplies 56.27
Sue Hartwig, Election-Aud 153.75
Trading Post, Supplies-Eng. 88.86
Truck Center Companies
Parts-Eng 437.82
Ulland Brothers Inc
Supplies-Eng 747.24
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc
Service-Cap 1,630.00
Verizon Wireless
Service-Eng 338.51
Visa, Service-Eng 5,214.59
Winn-Worth Betco
Fy23 3rd Qtr-Org 23,637.00
Worth County Treasurer
Drainage Taxes-Eng ... 26,247.00
Worth Lumber Co
Supplies-Eng 41.92
Ziegler Inc, Parts-Eng 4,342.30
Grand Total 162,499.26

Motion Loberg/Second Stone to adjourn at 9:23 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Mark Smeby, Chairperson

Supervisors

January 2, 2023
First 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.

Jake Hanson, Treasurer was sworn in by Jacki Backhaus, Auditor as a new county official.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone, to appoint Enos Loberg as Chairperson for 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second by Loberg, to appoint A.J. Stone as Vice-Chairperson for 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve today's agenda and minutes from December 29, 2022 meetings. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby, that the following appointments be made: County Board of Health (3-year) –Dennis Bartz and Kathryn Meyer; Commission of Veteran Affairs (3-year) – Paul Ferley; Weed Commissioner (1-year) – Michael Bode; County Board of Review (6-year) – Mike Romig; Conservation Board(5-year) – Mark Lindflott; County Eminent Domain Compensation Board(1-year) – Realtor: Myron Lupkes, Michael Romig, Julie Robb, Kris Gordon, Clara Hegeland, Chad Nelson, Erin Runde; Owner Operators of Agriculture Property: Keith Braun, David Hengesteg, Steve Davidson, Arlo Rugland, Earl Trenhaile, Erling Myli, Ron Davidson; Owners of City or Town Property: Dick Bruns, David Bang, Terry Steinmetz, Laura Sabby, Jane Podgorniak, Steve Wise, Roger Rustad; Persons Having Knowledge of Property Values: Paul Tenold, Tyson Robb, David Irons, Aaron Carman, Ben Tweeten, Tim Enderson, Larry M. Johnson,; Zoning Board of Adjustment (5-year) – Brian Tweeten; Civil Service Commission (6-year) – Bob Linden; Care Connections of Northern Iowa Governing Board (1-year) - A.J. Stone, Enos Loberg; Central Iowa Detention Center (3-year) – Mark Smeby, A.J. Stone; North Iowa Long Term Disaster Recovery Committee – Enos Loberg, Mark Tomlinson, Melissa Michaelis; Board of Directors – Second Judicial District Department of Correctional Services (1-year) – Enos Loberg, A.J. Stone; Iowa Workforce (3-year) – Mark Smeby; NCRERC (3-year) – Mark Smeby, A.J. Stone; NIACOG (1-year) – A.J. Stone, Mark Smeby, Doug Moehle; Transportation Policy Board (1-year) – Mark Smeby, Melissa Michaelis; NIACOG Revolving Loan Fund Committee (1-year) –Chad Nelson; North Iowa Vocational Center, Inc. (2-year) – Mark Smeby, A.J. Stone; Regional II Transit Advisory Committee (3-year) – A.J. Stone, Mark Smeby; Airport Zoning Ordinance-Board of Adjustment (3-year) – Michael Dierenfeld; City of Manly/Board of Adjustment (5-year) – A.J. Stone; City of Manly/Planning and Zoning Commission (5-year) – Joe Siems. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby, to re-appoint Rich Brumm as County Engineer. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second by Stone, that Rich Brumm is hereby authorized and empowered on behalf of the Worth County Supervisors to execute the certification of completion of work and final acceptance with plans and specifications therefore in connection with all Farm to Market construction projects in the county, adopt a resolution to comply with provisions of the 1970 Uniform Relocation Assistance and Land Acquisition Policies Act as amended by Title IV of the Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987; that in accordance with county engineer recommendation, that for secondary road projects, ROW payments be 3 ½ times the 100% valuation, fence removed be $18.00/rod for barbed-wire and $32.00/rod for woven wire, and crop damage to be $1,400.00/acre for corn and $850.00/acre for all other crops. Motion carried.

Motion by Smeby, second by Stone, that the County Auditor be authorized to pay the following bills during a meeting adjournment. Motion carried.

1. Salaries and payroll previously approved by the board.

2. Insurance payments and unemployment quarterly report payments.

3. Emergency expenses deemed necessary by the County Auditor.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby, to approve Annual Construction Evaluation Resolution. Roll call: Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye; Loberg – Aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in the Auditor's Office).

Motion Smeby/Second Stone, to approve that $15.15 will be the hourly rate paid by the courthouse for 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Loberg that the Northwood Anchor and Manly Junction Signal be designated the official county newspapers for 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone, to approve $.655/mile as the mileage rate for 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone, to approve the county daily meal reimbursement rate remain at $35/day for 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby, to approve the Worth County Precinct Election Official Compensation Policy Resolution. Roll call: Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye; Loberg – Aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in the Auditor's Office).

Motion Stone/Second Smeby, carried to adjourn at 9:08 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Mark Smeby, Chairperson

1/5/23, 11:57 AM — Local Government Property Valuation System

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET ESTIMATE Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024
Worth County 911 Service Board

The 911 Service Board of the above named jurisdiction will conduct a public hearing on the proposed fiscal year budget as follows:
Meeting Date: 1/26/2023 Meeting Time: 07:00 PM Meeting Location: (Worth County EOC 99-A 9th Street North Northwood, Iowa 50459
At the public hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of budgeted receipts and expenditures on file with the 911 Service Board Secretary. Copies of the Supplemental Budget Detail will be furnished upon request.

	FYE June 30, 2022 Actual Expenditures	FYE June 30, 2023 Re-Estimated Expenditures	FYE June 30, 2024 Proposed Expenditures	Transfers Out	Estimated Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2024	Estimated Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2023	Estimated Other Receipts	Transfers In	Estimated Amount To Be Raised By Surcharge
1. Surcharge Fund	95,847	255,520	282,520	0	607,912	796,432	13,000		81,000
2. Operating Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3. TOTAL	95,847	255,520	282,520	0	607,912	796,432	13,000	0	81,000

12/27/22, 10:02 AM — Local Government Property Valuation System

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING --- PROPOSED BUDGET Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024
Worth County Emergency Management Commission

The Emergency Management Commission of the above-named County will conduct a public hearing on the proposed fiscal year 2023/2024 budget as follows:
Meeting Date: 1/26/2023 Meeting Time: 06:15 PM Meeting Location: Worth County Emergency Management Office 99A 9th Street North Northwood IA 50459
At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of receipts and expenditures on file with the County Coordinator.

		Actual FYE June 30 , 2022	Estimated FYE June 30 , 2023	Proposed FYE June 30 , 2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE:	1	133,801	141,464	131,648
REVENUES:				
County Contribution	2	74,545	75,547	83,679
Other Revenues	3	64,840	21,734	21,722
Total Revenues (2+3)	4	139,385	97,281	105,401
EXPENDITURES:				
Administration and Operations	5	80,801	89,746	96,401
Capital Outlays	6	50,921	17,351	11,150
Total Expenditures (5+6)	7	131,722	107,097	107,551
Total Ending Fund Balance	8	141,464	131,648	129,498

People's Right to Know

Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
PROBATE NO. ESPR009346
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRANK E. BRCKA, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Frank E. Brcka, deceased, who died on or about November 28, 2022:

You are hereby notified that on the December 28, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Frank E. Brcka, deceased, bearing date of June 18, 2019, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Marguerite R. Brcka was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing 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 hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated December 28, 2022.

Marguerite R. Brcka
3576 Thrush Ave.
Plymouth, IA 50464
Executor of the Estate

Timothy A. Casperson
ICIS#: AT0000454
Timothy M. Anderson
165 E. 4th St.
Garner, IA 50438
Attorney for Executor

Date of second publication 18th day of January, 2023.

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PROFESSIONAL CARD
Business Announcements

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

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

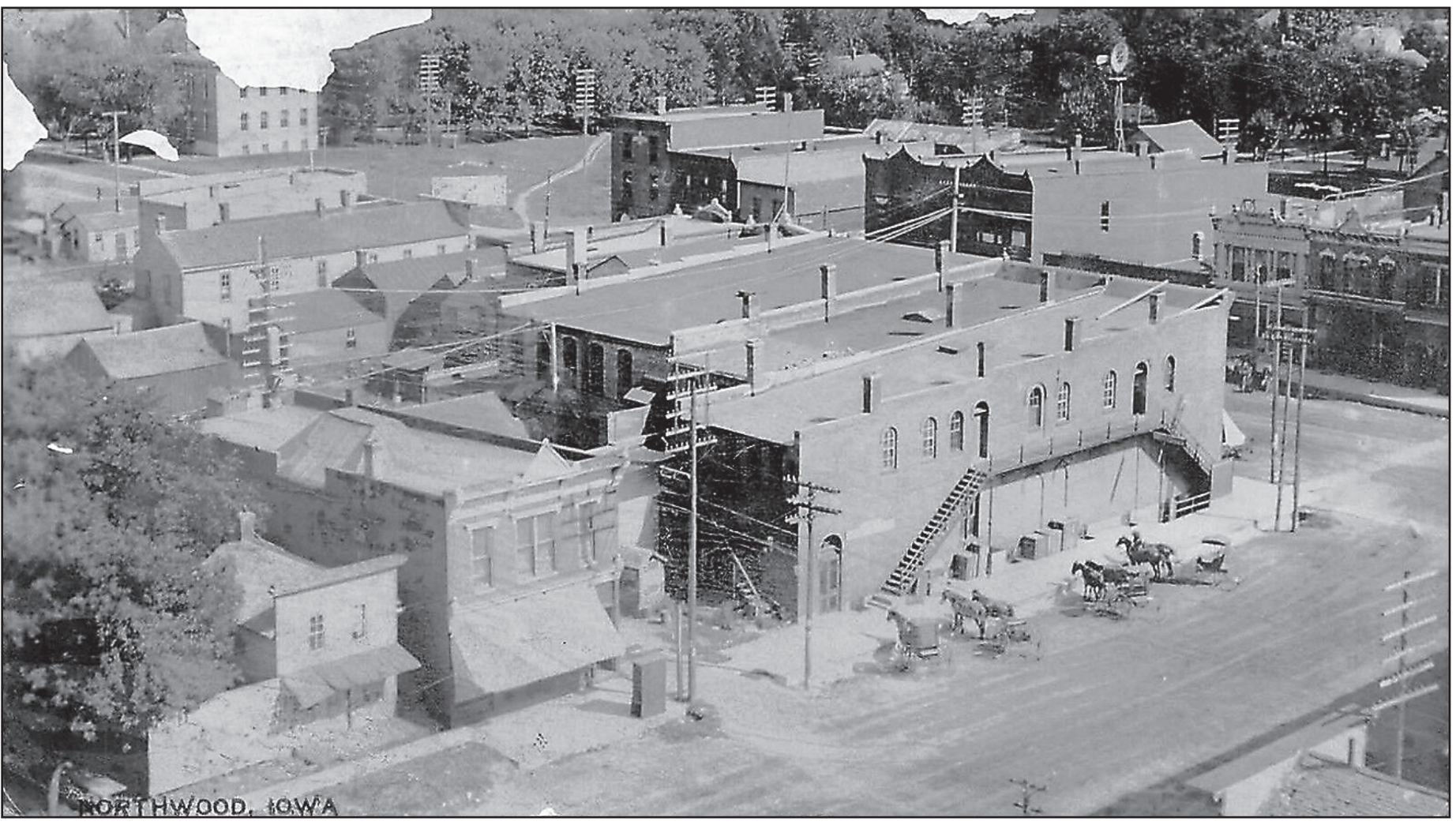
NORTHWOOD INSURANCE AGENCY
John Midtgaard, Agent
91 9th St. S., Northwood, IA
Office 641-324-9844 Fax 641-324-9844

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

Congregate Meals
MEALS ON WHEELS
324-1244

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641-324-1340

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A scene of historic Northwood

This photo was recently shared on the "Worth County Iowa History and Interesting Tidbits, Pictures, and Thoughts" Facebook page. The image shows a scene of Northwood from a perch on the water tower. In the far right of the picture is the intersection of Central Avenue and Eighth Street. The building in the foreground, at right, is where the downtown mini park is now. At top left is the former courthouse now Worth County Historical Society museum.

NFPA encourages removal of Christmas trees, as a third of tree fires occur in January

One-third (33 percent) of U.S. home fires involving Christmas trees occur in January. With this post-holiday fire hazard in mind, the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®) strongly encourages every-one to keep the festive memories and remove the hazards by disposing of Christmas trees promptly after the holiday season.

"As much as we all enjoy the look and feel of Christmas trees in our homes, they're large com-bustible items that have the potential to result in seri-ous fires," said Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy at. "The longer Christmas trees remain in homes, the longer they present a risk."

Carli notes that fresh Christmas trees, which continue to dry out and become more flammable over time, are involved in a much larg-er share of reported Christmas tree fires than artificial trees.

According to the latest Christmas Tree Fires report from NFPA, 160 home structure fires began with Christmas trees, resulting in two civilian deaths, 11 civilian injuries, and $12 million in direct property damage, on average each year between 2016 and 2020. Overall, fires that begin with Christmas trees represent a very small but notable part of the U.S. fire problem, considering that they are generally in use for a short time each year.

To safely dispose of a Christmas tree, NFPA rec-ommends using the local community's recycling pro-gram, if possible; trees should not be put in the garage or left outside. NFPA also offers these tips for safely removing lighting and decorations to ensure that they remain in good condition:

Use the gripping area on the plug when unplugging electrical decorations. Never pull the cord to unplug any device from an electrical outlet, as this can harm the wire and insula-tion of the cord, increasing the risk for shock or electri-cal fire.

As you pack up light strings, inspect each line for damage, throwing out any sets that have loose connec-tions, broken sockets or cracked or bare wires.

Wrap each set of lights and put them in individual plastic bags or wrap them around a piece of cardboard. Store electrical decora-tions in a dry place away from children and pets where they will not be dam-aged by water or dampness.

For more information on home fire safety all winter long, visit "Put a Freeze on Winter Fires," a winter safety campaign NFPA pro-motes annually with the U.S. Fire Administration.

Bolan

On Saturday, January 7, Scott and Lori Willert hosted the Willert family Christmas gathering. This was a bit late due to closed roads on December 24. Those being able to attend were Carrol Willert of Thompson, Stacy and Anita Willert of Thompson, Rick and Mary Willert of Des Moines and Cole from Reinbeck.

Some of the church family members of the Bolan Trinity UM Church brought birthday greetings to Lois Krumm at Manly Specialty Care on Sunday afternoon. They enjoyed cupcakes and coffee with her in celebrating her 93rd birthday. Some of the cousins were also able to join in.

ACT announces January 23 and 24 auditions for 'Almost Maine'

Albert Lea Community Theatre (ACT) announces auditions will be held on Monday and Tuesday, January 23 and 24, for the play "Almost, Maine" at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center, 147 N. Broadway in Albert Lea.

The play, written by John Cariani, welcomes you to the fictional town of Almost, Maine. It's a place that's so far north, it's almost not in the United States. It's almost in Canada. And it's not quite a town, because its residents never got around to getting organized. So it almost doesn't exist. One cold, clear, winter night as the northern lights hover in the sky, the residents of Almost, Maine, find themselves falling in and out of love in unexpected and hilarious ways. Knees are bruised. Hearts are broken. But the bruises heal, and the hearts mend — almost — in this delightful midwinter night's dream.

There are several roles available for men and women of various ages. There are no roles for children in this play.

Directed by Christy Fuller, eight performances are scheduled for March 9-18. Those auditioning should be prepared to read from the script. Auditions begin at 7 p.m. Rehearsals will be scheduled weeknights beginning in late January, with some weekend involvement closer to the performance dates.

Tickets and more information regarding auditions are available at acton broadway.com.

Northwood Anchor Church

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

Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly
Sunday, Bethlehem Adult Bible Study, 8 a.m., Bethlehem Worship, 9 a.m., Bethlehem Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Grace Worship, 10:30 a.m., WAGS, Wednesday at Grace School, Meal 5:30 p.m., Lesson 6 p.m.
Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Bethany Lutheran Church/ Elk Creek Lutheran
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Trinity United Methodist, Bolan
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Pastor Cory Allard

Bethel United Methodist Church
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Northwood United Methodist Church
Thursday, Pub Theology, 7 p.m.; Friday, Bible Study at Northwood, 10 a.m.; 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, 9 a.m., Sunday School, 10 a.m., Silver Lake, 705 Silver Lake Rd., Northwood, 641-293-5556; 9 a.m., Bethany, 201 Franke St., Joice, 641-588-3366; 9:30 a.m., Lunder, 14982 735th Ave., Albert Lea; 10:30 a.m., Winnebago, 40029 210th Ave., Lake Mills; 11 a.m. Immanuel, 105 E. 3rd St., Scarville, 641-568-3666.

First Lutheran Church, Northwood
Wednesday, Confirmation, 5:15 p.m., Choir, 5:30 p.m., Inspire, 7 p.m., SH Youth, 7:50 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Group, 9 a.m., Taekwondo, 6:30 p.m., Pub Theology, 7 p.m.; Sunday, Service with H.C., 9 a.m., LRH Service, 3 p.m., Sunday School, JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Staff Meeting, 11 a.m., AA-Al-Anon, 7 p.m.

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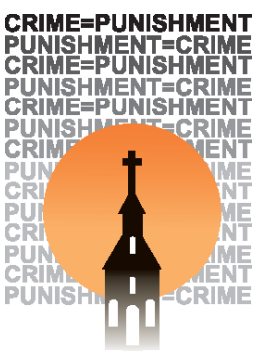
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The Crime is the Punishment



Though we quite naturally think of the crime as being separate from its punishment, there is a sense in which the crime is the punishment. That is, when someone commits a crime, or a sin of any kind, they are harming their soul. While it is natural to want justice in the form of some payment of restitution or time spent in jail, perhaps it would be better to just require the person to confess their crime openly and then have to live with what they have done. In some of the countries where crimes of genocide were carried out, for instance, people were granted amnesty on the condition that they confess publicly what they did. In some cases, such as in Rwanda, these people were then required to live among the family members of their victims. To be aware of our sins and to have to live with them day in and day out brings it home to us what we have done. We cannot run away from our indiscretions. We may go to the ends of the earth or hide out in a cave to escape punishment, but the true punishment is with us always, deep in our soul, and we cannot hide our soul from God, or ourselves. So, we should confess our sins to God and to man, and face up to the crimes we may have committed. It's the only way to unburden our soul of the heavy burden of sin.

—Christopher Simon

"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed."
– James 5: 16

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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

"Winning At The Table" (1985) is a hard-cover, coffee table-style cookbook. It was published by the Junior League of Las Vegas, a nationwide philanthropic women's organization with chapters in many cities that does good works with the money they generate from various projects. Upscale, glossy cookbooks are their most famous, at least in my world, and I own many of them. It's cold outside; the oven is beckoning and what is more comforting than muffins. This cookbook has a great chapter on "Breads and Brunch" so it's muffins we'll bake. They are easy to put together and the little paper liners make clean up easy on the cook. Yes, you can buy muffin mix at the store but after you taste your homemade versions you'll buy it much less!

Orange Delight Muffins

1/2 cup real butter
1/2 cup crushed pineapple, drained
1/2 cup sugar
1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
1 egg
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 cup bran cereal
1/4 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 cup orange juice
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup milk, not skim

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F. In a large mixing bowl, cream the butter and sugar. Add the egg and mix well. In a separate bowl, combine the cereal (NOTE: All-Bran Cereal ® is good to use in this recipe) and orange juice. Stir in the milk and pineapple. Add the cereal and fruit mixture to the creamed mixture. Beat in the flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Combine well but don't overbeat. Doing this by hand with a large wood spoon works well, making sure all the dry ingredients are incorporated in the batter with no dry white spots showing. Fill the lined muffin cups 2/3 full and bake for 20 minutes. Makes 12 muffins. Serve with whipped orange butter; recipe below.

Whipped Orange Butter

In a food processor, combine 1/2 cup real butter (softened), 2 tablespoons orange juice CONCENTRATE, 2 tablespoons powdered sugar and 1 1/2 tablespoons finely grated orange zest. Process until smooth but don't let it liquefy. Pack into a pretty serving bowl and chill into ready to serve. Makes 3/4 cup.

Apple Muffins

1 large egg
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup milk, not skim
1 teaspoon cinnamon, divided
4 tablespoons real butter, melted
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 cup peeled, grated tart apples
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1/3 cup brown sugar
1/3 cup finely chopped walnuts

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. In a medium bowl, beat the egg with a fork. Stir in the milk, butter and grated apple. In a separate bowl, combine flour, sugar, 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, baking powder and salt. Add this to the apple mixture, stirring just until the flour is moistened. The batter will be lumpy. Line a 12-cup muffin tin and fill each liner 2/3 full. In a small bowl, combine the brown sugar, nuts and remaining cinnamon. Sprinkle this topping evenly over each muffin. Bake for 20-25 minutes, testing with a wooden toothpick for doneness.

Blueberry Muffins

2 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 cup milk, not skim
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 1/2 cups fresh blueberries
1/2 cup real butter, softened
1 tablespoon sugar
2 large eggs
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1 cup sugar

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F. Stir together the flour, baking powder and salt; set aside. In a large mixing bowl, cream the butter and 1 cup sugar until fluffy. Thoroughly beat in the eggs; blend in the vanilla. Add half the dry mixture to the creamed mixture along with half of the milk. Mix well and repeat with the remaining mixtures. Gently mix in the blueberries. Grease and flour 12 muffin cups AND the tops of the tins between the cups. Spoon batter into the prepared cups, filling them to the tops. Combine the tablespoon of sugar with the nutmeg and sprinkle on top of the muffins. Bake for 25-30 minutes, testing for doneness with a wooden toothpick. Let the muffins cool in the pan for 20 minutes before removing them. You can reheat for five minutes in a preheated 350 degree oven before serving if desired. NOTE: these muffins can also be made with dried cranberries.

Muffins are a most versatile delight. Of course, they can always be part of breakfast but, with some ice cream they become dessert after dinner. Cut into quarters and served with fresh fruit they become a treat with a cup of coffee or tea in the afternoon. They ride well in a lunchbox and store well in an airtight plastic bag for a couple of days if you have any left over. And….that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society







Farm Bureau makes meals

Worth County Farm Bureau Outreach Coordinator Teresa Stehn is amongst those in the picture at top. She joined others from county Farm Bureau offices from across the state in assembling meal kits for the Meals from the Heartland program in December. Stehn brought some of the meals back home with her and gave them to Manna of Worth County and the Worth County Community of Promise for their community food shelves.

Northwood Public Library

By Emily Tufte
Library Director



Happy New Year! New year means new reading goals! Do you set a goal for how many books you want to read in a year? Do you set a goal about what kind of books you want to read? I have a free book tracker coloring sheet at the library if you're interested in keeping track of your books this year!

Friday morning story times are still going on! Friday, January 13 and 20 are our next ones, starting at 10 a.m. These are geared for toddler and preschool age, but babies are welcome too! It's a fun time for kids to socialize together, learn about sitting quietly for a short story or two, have some fun coloring and playing with the library toys. Parents and caregivers can enjoy some chit chat too! Please pay attention to the library's Facebook page for more information.

I have a little display set up for the best books of 2022 as voted on by members of the popular Goodreads.com. The categories are best general fiction, historical fiction, romance, and mystery/thriller and I have the top three of each category on display. It's a great place to start if you're not sure what you want to read!

The library also has the new selections for the All Iowa Reads titles provided by the Iowa Center for the Book. The 2023 selections are "How High We Go In The Dark" (adult) by Sequoia Nagamatsu, "Firekeeper's Daughter" (TeenAir) by Angeline Boulley, and "The Golden Hour" (KidsAir) by Niki Smith. Come see this display in the library to also see the past AIR selections!

The library has two different book clubs that participate in a monthly reading and discussion. If this is anything that sounds interesting to you, don't hesitate to reach out at the library!

New at the library this month:

Adult Non-fiction books: "Swagger" by Jimmy Johnson, "Spare" by Prince Harry, "Elizabeth Taylor: The Grit and Glamour of an Icon" written by Kate Anderson Brower, and a book called "Digital Photography Complete Course" by David Taylor.

Adult Fiction books: "Every Summer After" by Carley Fortune, "All The Dark Places" by Terri Parlato, "The Wittiers" LP by Danielle Steel, "Just The Nicest Couple" by Mary Kubica, "People We Meet On Vacation" by Emily Henry, and "The Villa" by Rachel Hawkins.

I've been posting some pictures of the new books to the Northwood Public Library's Facebook page, so don't forget to "Like" the page to be notified when we put more new books out throughout the month.

Feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you might have via e-mail emily@northwood.lib.ia.us or call us at 324-1340. We hope you will check us out soon!

Worth County 4-H State Recognition Workshop scheduled for January 21

The Worth County Extension Service will host a State 4-H Recognition Workshop on Saturday, January 21, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Worth County Extension Community Room.

All 9th to 12th grade 4-H members are invited to participate in learning about the many state 4-H award winning opportunities. Past Worth County 4-H award winners will be on hand to share information about how to apply for the awards and recognition trips to National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia, and National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C.

The 4-H members will also have a chance to learn about what duties and responsibilities there are of the Iowa State 4-H Council and what the application and interview process is to be able to serve on the 2023-2024 Iowa State 4-H Council Team. This will also include a hands on opportunity for getting applications completed and submitted to the State 4-H office by Wednesday, February 1, at midnight.

More information about the meeting is available by emailing Worth County Extension 4-H Youth Coordinator Kimberly Bode at kabode@iastate.edu or contacting Worth County Extension Education Specialist Dennis Johnson at 641-324-1531 or djohn@iastate.edu.

Worth County 4-H State Recognition Award applications due on February 1

Worth County 4-H members wanting to submit State 4-H Recognition applications are reminded to get those submitted to the State 4-H Office by no later than midnight on Wednesday, February 1.

The State 4-H Recognition Awards program is a tremendous learning opportunity for all 9th to 12th grade senior high school 4-H members. All eligible 4-H members are encouraged to apply for any and all State 4-H Recognition Awards they might happen to qualify for.

There are several State and National Awards that 4-H'ers can apply for, including serving on the prestigious State 4-H Council, earning trips to National 4-H Congress and 4-H Conferences in Atlanta, Georgia, and Washington, D.C., as well as winning a State 4-H Project Award.

More information about these opportunities are available by contacting Worth County 4-H Youth Coordinator Kimberly Bode at the Worth County Extension Office in Northwood at 641-324-1531 or Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist, at 641-390-0795.

Kenneth Benjegerdes Memorial



In Loving Memory of Kenneth Benjegerdes, who passed away one year ago on January 11, 2022.

We thought of you today
But that is nothing new
We thought about you yesterday
And days before that too
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Opinion

Savvy Senior

When Can I Change My Medicare Coverage?

Dear Savvy Senior,

Is it possible to make changes to my Medicare coverage now? I know we've passed the fall open enrollment period, but I've heard that there are other times of the year beneficiaries can make changes. What can you tell me?

Changed My Mind

Dear Changed,

Yes! The annual Medicare open enrollment period isn't your only opportunity to swap out Medicare coverage. There are other opportunities, but the timing of when you can make those changes depends on your specific circumstances and the kind of Medicare coverage you have. Here's what you should know.

Medicare Advantage Change

If you're enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Plan, you may be able to use the Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment Period, which occurs each year from Jan. 1 through March 31.

During this period, you can switch from your current Medicare Advantage Plan to another Medicare Advantage Plan or to original Medicare with or without a prescription drug plan. You can only make one change during this period, and it will be effective the first of the next month after you make the change.

Special Enrollment

Depending on your circumstances, you may also qualify for a Special Enrollment Period to change your Medicare health and drug coverage.

There are a number of circumstances in which you may have a Special Enrollment Period, such as if you moved outside of your plan's service area, your Medicare Advantage Plan terminated a significant amount of its network providers, or you are enrolled in a State Pharmaceutical Assistance Program.

Those with Extra Help – the federal program that helps pay for drug costs – also have a Special Enrollment Period to enroll in a Part D plan, or switch between plans once per quarter in the first three quarters of the year.

If you need to make changes to your coverage but aren't sure whether you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period, contact your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), which provides free Medicare counseling. To find a SHIP counselor in your area visit ShipHelp.org or call 877-839-2675.

Also, be aware that if you're enrolled in a Medicare plan by mistake or because of misleading information, you may be able to disenroll and change plans.

Typically, you have the right to change plans if you joined unintentionally, joined based on incorrect or misleading information, or, through no fault of your own, were kept in a plan you did not want.

To get help, call Medicare at 800-633-4227 and explain to a customer service representative how you joined the plan by mistake and to request retroactive disenrollment or a Special Enrollment Period.

Fall Open Enrollment

As you noted in your question, there's also the Fall Open Enrollment Period that allows all Medicare beneficiaries – those with original Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans – to make changes.

The Fall Open Enrollment Period occurs each year from Oct. 15 through Dec. 7. During this period, you can join a new Medicare Advantage Plan or stand-alone prescription drug plan (Part D) plan. You can also switch between Original Medicare with or without a Part D plan and Medicare Advantage.

You can make as many changes as you need during this period, and your last coverage choice will take effect Jan. 1.

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.

Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
CASE NO. ESPR009347
NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LAVONNE M. CLAGETT, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Lavonne M. Clagett, deceased, who died on or about December 26, 2022:

You are hereby notified that on the January 5, 2023, the last will and testament of Lavonne M. Clagett, deceased, bearing date of June 12, 2018, 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 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.

Dated January 5, 2023.

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Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

I haven't seen a single ditch walrus this winter.

What is a ditch walrus?

I don't know. I've never seen one.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. It's never summer in a snow globe, but someone had given the adverse weather conditions globe a serious shaking. A deputy sheriff parked near the end of our driveway on Christmas Eve. The officer was monitoring electric wires weighed down by snow sticking to them like laundry hanging from a line. A gelid Christmas Day brought the local volunteer fire departments to a neighborhood barn fire. January generated thundersnow and a dead skunk in the middle of the road. I got a close look at several snowflakes and caught one on my tongue.

A riotous New Year's Eve filled with both hot and iced tea caused me to fall asleep before midnight. As my wife woke me to give me a kiss, I heard a crunching sound. That's seldom a good thing. My wife mumbled she'd stepped on a cat toy. The cat toy turned out to be my eyeglasses that the new kitten had decided should be on the floor. Cats don't pretend to be good, but they do enjoy spreading joy to the floor. The bent spectacles made me look more lop-sided than usual. A couple of days later, I was off to Eyeglass Repair World. I need glasses because my wife likes me to see what I'm wearing.

There aren't enough words to hold the splendid memories

My heart sank when I heard the news.

Keith (Chuck or Charlie) Wakefield and I were thrown into the future together. He was a one-man micro-climate featuring sunny weather, my former neighbor, my former classmate, my former busmate, my former roommate and my friend. Like Willy Loman in "Death of a Salesman," we were "riding on a smile and a shoeshine." There were more smiles than shoeshine.

Chuck fished Bone Lake, named because it resembles a femur when you squint while flying over it. Chuck wasn't his given name. It was almost his middle name. His first name was Keith and his mother chose Charles as his middle name instead of his first name because she didn't want him called Chuck. She ordered the family to not call him Chuck. They called him Chuck. Teachers and bus drivers called him Keith. His mother, when peeved, might have called him, "Keith Charles Wakefield." Every kid knows we're given middle names so we know when our mothers are unhappy with us. Back to Bone Lake. Charlie caught a silver muskie the size of a Russian submarine there. The tagged fish was the second oldest muskie ever caught in Wisconsin. He got an impressive letter from the DNR and was asked to run for governor. I may have imagined the possible gubernatorial run, but he'd have made a good guvnuh.

The youngest of his family, he claimed he was married before he learned there were parts to a chicken other than the neck. Despite that, Charlie was an excellent cook.

I recall being brokenhearted at a prehistoric visitation covered in layers of emotional debris and concerns about whether there was enough life insurance. My mother told me to remember the good times and that it was OK to laugh.

I keep Mom's advice in my back pocket. Life is full of holes. We tell stories and we laugh to help plug those holes and lift heavy hearts. Losing a neighbor, classmate, busmate, roommate and friend leaves a big hole.

It's difficult to find comforting words. Charlie was an epically fine storyteller and he'd have had the perfect thing to say about his passing. Something like, "It was time to throw a tent over that circus."

We'd be laughing long after the tears had dried.

Nature notes

A superstition maintains that saying "rabbit rabbit" aloud before saying anything else on the first day of the month brings a month of good luck. The beloved Gilda Radner said "bunny, bunny" to ensure laughter, love and peace. FDR said "rabbits." If you forget to say "rabbit, rabbit" the first thing, say "tibbar, tibbar"—"rabbit" backward. Warranty available for purchase.

The mating season for fox squirrels is from December to February and June through July, eastern gray squirrels from December to February and/or June through August, flying squirrels in early spring and red squirrels in late winter.

Meeting adjourned

I saw this on a T-shirt at a Pizza Ranch: Do good. Be kind. Eat Pizza. Repeat.

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The Trailblazers' Abby Beaty, in the orange headgear, takes down Waukon's Faith Cooper last Friday at the Central Elkader Invitational. It was the fifth year holding the all-girls tournament that went from 15 participants in the first year to over 260 on Friday.



North Central's Emma Hall battles to get Jerexy Vega of Postville to the mat last Friday night in Elkader. Hall finally accomplished her task, winning this match by fall in just 38 seconds.

Close but no prize for the Vikings in two narrow losses last week

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

Despite having one of the most talented teams in the Top of Iowa Conference East, the Vikings of Northwood-Kensett so far have been unable to turn those basketball skills into Ws, losing both games last week to Osage and Riceville, falling to 1-6 overall and 1-4 in the conference.

The Vikings, who are now 0-16 against Osage, hosted the Green Devils last Friday night in Northwood and put in one of their best performances in the series, falling by just 13 points in the 56-43 TIC East loss.

Like most of the Vikings' setbacks this season, it all came down to just one poor quarter, just an eight minute period of time that ends up costing them the game. After ending the first quarter with an 11-9 deficit, the Vikings watched helplessly as Osage poured in 20 points in eight minutes while holding N-K to a game low of just five points, giving the Green Devils a secure 31-14 advantage at the halftime break.

Whatever head coach Marty Cotter told his team at the break he should bottle it and save it for future games as the Vikings came out and dominated the second half of play, outscoring the Green Devils 29-25 and cutting the final deficit to just 13 points at 56-43.

Sophomore Colby Eskildsen led the team with a double-double, scoring 18 points and grabbing 12 rebounds, including 11 on the defensive glass. Lamonte Sims and Kooper Julseth added seven and six points respectively in the loss.

Last Saturday the young men in blue and white traveled to Riceville to face their old Corn Bowl Conference rival, who boasts just a 2-8 record on the year and holds a 19-7 deficit in the win column to the Vikings.

And while the Vikings never once outscored Riceville in any eight-minute quarter, N-K didn't have what would be considered even one bad stretch, scoring 31 first half points while adding another 24 in the second half, but still it was not enough to overcome the hot shooting of the Wildcats, who drained 36.4% of the threes taken, splashing 8-22 from beyond the arch.

Four of N-K's five starters scored in double figures, including Eskildsen (12 pts.), Evan Lorenzen (11 pts.), Julseth (11 pts.) and Carter Anderson (10 pts.).

The Vikings, 1-6 overall, had three games on the schedule this week, Monday versus Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock, Tuesday versus North Butler and Friday at Nashua-Plainfield.

TIC East Boys Basketball Standings

TIC East	Overall
Newman Catholic	7-0 9-0
West Fork	6-1 6-1
Nashua-Plainfield	5-2 6-3
Osage	5-2 7-2
North Butler	3-4 5-6
Saint Ansgar	2-4 3-5
N-K	1-4 1-6
Central Springs	0-7 1-7
Rockford	0-7 0-9

Northwood Anchor Early Files

100 years ago

January 10, 1922

A feature story in the Mason City Globe Gazette one day last week told of an apple, preserved for 25 years by sticking cloves in it. The apple was owned by Merchant C.O. Sheimo of Fertile. The article says that so far as is known, Mr. Sheimo's apple is the oldest in existence. That statement was challenged the following day by P.F. Cooper of Northwood, who brought to the office of The Anchor and Index an apple preserved in the same manner, and which as picked on October 8, 1890, according to the label on it. That makes Mr. Cooper's apple over 32 years old, seven years to the good of the Fertile apple.

The basketball team continued their winning streak last Friday handing Albert Lea High a 22 to 7 setback. Although our boys did not show quite the class of the Mason City games the week before, they still had plenty of punch to win safely.

When the Worth County Board of Supervisors met in regular session from the middle district, Jay Cady, of Kensett, went through the usual form of qualification and immediately took the place to which he was elected. Mrs. Cady succeeds A.O. Westland.

Upon his retirement from the office of county attorney on January 2, LeRoy T. Bosworth, of Manly, was presented by the courthouse officials with a silk umbrella with his name engraved upon the gold handle.

While other counties are reporting vast numbers of automobile owners who failed to procure licenses before the extra dollar fee wen on January 1, Worth County stands well up towards the total collection. Up to December 31 Treasurer Reyerson and his clerks had issued 1,305 licenses but had not completed attending to the applications by mail.

75 years ago

January 8, 1948

The Worth County European Relief drive has resulted in the collection of $6,741.25, not including the value of some clothing collected and some corn that has to be turned into cash, Wm. H. St. Clair, county extension director, announced.

Normal temperatures with clear skies have prevailed during most of the past week, but the light mist Saturday evening formed a coating of ice on walks and pavement that made travel very hazardous until Sunday's sunshine cut the glaze.

County clerk Ole O. Bakken reports 584 marriage licenses issued in Worth County during 1947. This is an increase of 47 over the 1946 total of 537 and 318 more than the 266 licenses issued in 1945.

Carlile Fedge, who has been with the Standard Oil Co. in Mason City for 14 years, succeeded Leo Einhaus as manager of the local bulk station of the Standard Oil Co.

Mary, the 16-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Thompto, suffered painful burns on one side of her face, one hand and one arm, when she tipped a small container of hot water onto herself from the stove at the Thompto home.

Osmun Williams, six miles southwest of Northwood, was shot in the leg on December 30. He and his son, Burton, were going out to shoot when the gun, which was being carried by Burton, was accidentally discharged. The bullet penetrated the upper part of his leg. The wound is not serious. He is able to be about and was in Northwood for treatment.

Northwood lost a heartbreaking overtime basketball game when Fertile overcame a four point lead late in the last quarter to tie up the score and go on to win 33-29 in the overtime canto.

By vote of the town council at the regular meeting, the park committee was instructed to hire Robert Johnston to prepare a skating pond on the northeast corner of the school round where a pond was maintained at times in the past.

50 years ago

January 11, 1973

Gildners has been located in the present building for many years, but the appearance of the building has changed a little. When this photo was taken, Evans-Johnson clothing store was in the building at Eighth and Central, and when they moved to a new location across the street Gildner-Bolender moved in.

The first major snowstorm of the season hit Worth County, dumping about nine inches of snow, leaving streets and highways slick and closing area schools. High winds made driving treacherous, but most roads were open to traffic, although many were slippery and snow packed. Temperatures began a downward trend and reached minus 12 degrees.

The first Northwood baby for 1973 arrived at 8:27 a.m. on Tuesday, January 9, at Mercy Hospital, Mason City. Little Heather Annette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Amundson, Route Ill., Northwood, weighed 6 lbs., 14 oz. She comes to join two sisters, Eileen and Chamaine, and a brother, Eric.

Steve Cook, 132-pound wrestler, defeated his opponent, Pump, of Rockford by a score of 8-6 in a meet. The Viking matmen won the meet 31-12 and the reserves won by 18-12.

Buffalo Center retained second place in the North Iowa Conference by defeating the Northwood-Kensett Vikings 64-39 in a game there Friday night. The Vikings are 3-3 in conference play and 6-4 in all games, as of Monday. Dan Robb, with nine points, and Bill Alexander, with eight, led the scoring for the Vikings. The team made five of 11 free throws while the Bison shot 10 of 23 at the charity line.

Kimberly and Pamela Ellingson, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Lemoyne Ellingson, rural Northwood, have been named to the dean's honor list for the fall semester at Morningside College, Sioux City.

25 years ago

January 13, 1998

Kory, a 5 lbs. 7 oz. boy, was born on January 6 to Mr. and Mrs. Doug Jaspers, rural Kensett. As the first baby born in 1988 to residents of the Northwood-Kensett school District, he and his parents will receive numerous gifts from local merchants. He is pictured with his sisters, Kara, 5, and Krystle, 2. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl (Bones) Jaspers, Kensett, and Mr. and Mrs. William Novitsky, Twin Lakes, Minnesota.

These girls took advantage of somewhat warmer weather this past weekend to test their balance and coordination at the ice skating rink in Central Park.

Don Pangburn and his father Buck are all smiles as they display the winners' first place certificate for their 881 pound Simmental steer carcass, which was named the best in Iowa competition.

Iowa State University has named two students from the Worth County area to be "Admitted With Academic Recognition." Students from this area "Admitted with Academic Recognition" to ISU are Amy Read, Northwood, and Jill Hodson, Plymouth.

Mary and Brad Johnson of Mason City are parents of their first child, Chase Bradley, born on December 10 at Mercy Hospital in Mason City. He weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces at birth and is the first grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Amundson of Northwood. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Hart Johnson of Mason City.

Dr. Stilaf Anderson checked supplies in his veterinary clinic on Central Avenue before whipping up a concoction for one of his customers. Anderson, 71, recently stepped down from the city council post he had held for the past 25 years.

Northwood-Kensett junior forward Russ Engstler got two of his Vikings' season-high 75 points on this layup against Garner-Hayfield. Engstler, N-K's defensive leader all season, pushed himself to the limit in the 75-55 win over the Cardinals, as he fouled out with 2:01 to play in the game.

10 years ago

January 9, 2013

The past several weeks have included a fair share of winter precipitation, which has, in turn, ushered in perfect sledding conditions, Briar Buechele and Maddy Avelar took full advantage of that fact. As their holiday vacation wound down the pair braved the single digit temperatures to take part in some sledding on a hill near the Northwood swimming pool. During this particular trip down the "slopes" they ended up backwards halfway down, which evidently did not dampen their enjoyment of the ride nonetheless.

As drought conditions persisted into the summer, and with the dam removed, Silver Lake's water levels quickly depleted, leaving the lake bed covered with vegetation.

Senior Cameron Batton continues to make the best of his final year on the wrestling mat. Batton boasts a 12-5 record on the season, second best of the Vikings.

N-K's Dylan Buechele works hard to get his North Butler opponent on his back in last Thursday night's triangular held in Northwood. Buechele lost a close 12-9 decision to NB's Connor Tindall.

At the start of the first Worth County Board of Supervisors meeting of 2013, on January 2, newly elected and re-elected officials were sworn into office. That started with newly-elected Worth County Auditor Jacki Backhaus, whose family and supporters were in attendance. Backhaus is pictured as Supervisor Dave Haugen as delivered the oath of office. Bckhaus then delivered the oath of office to Haugen and to re-elected Sheriff Jay Langenbau.

Wayne and Dorothy Estes of Northwood and their children, Ken and Connie Estes and Dale and Diane Sime, hosted the Hillman family Christmas party on December 15. Many of Dorothy's nieces and nephews, cousins and family friends attended.

Northwood Anchor Obituaries

Lavonne Clagett

Lavonne Marie Clagett, 96, passed away on Monday, December 26, 2022, at the Lutheran Retirement Home, Northwood.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, January 14, 2023, at Bethany Lutheran Church, 600 Fifth St., Kensett, with Pastor Linda Johnson Prestholt officiating. Inurnment will be held at Kensett Cemetery at a later date.

Visitation will be held prior to the service from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, January 14, 2023, at Bethany Lutheran Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate memorials to be directed to them.



LAVONNE CLAGETT

Lavonne was born on January 5, 1926 to Lyle and Marie (Hennies) Aves in State Center, Iowa. She was baptized in infancy in State Center Lutheran Church. At an early age the family moved to Mason City. Lavonne was a graduate of Mason City High School's Class of 1944. After graduation she went to Washington, D.C., to work for the government. Later on she worked for the telephone company.

Lavonne loved to dance. On Saturday night she often went to the Surf to dance. At the Surf is where she met Roger, a local farm boy. Roger was a wonderful dancer, and swept Lavonne off her feet. The couple married on May 9, 1948, and had been dancing ever since. Lavonne and Roger were blessed with two children, Wendy and Steven.

The couple spent their lives farming together. Lavonne was always able to throw a feast together for anyone in need. She was an excellent cook, baker and keeper of the house.

They have lived in the Kensett area since 1948. Lavonne was an active member of Bethany Lutheran Church. She taught Sunday school for many years, helped in WELCA and held all offices at one time or another. She was a 4-H leader and loved working with the children.

Some of Lavonne's hobbies besides dancing include roller skating, playing cards and in younger years, snowmobiling. She also enjoyed doing needlework, their home displayed a lot of her work.

Those left to cherish memories of Lavonne are her husband of 74 years, Roger Clagett; son, Steve Clagett; son-in-law, Marty Kochevar; grandchildren, Joe (Greta) Kochevar, Dave Kochevar, Tom (Mel) Clagett and Reid (Mimi) Clagett; great-grandchildren, Maura and Lars Kochevar and Audrey and Graham Clagett; and siblings, Lila, Jeanette, Linda, Sue and Rick; as well as numerous family members from the Aves side and other extended family members and friends.

Lavonne is preceded in death by her daughter, Wendy Kochevar; daughter-in-law, Mary Clagett; both her parents; and siblings, Laverne, Shirley, Ray, Donna and Bobby.

Sara Cogar

Sara Louise Cogar, 81, of Rochester, passed away on Saturday, December 31, 2022, at the Mayo Clinic- St. Mary's Campus, in Rochester, Minnesota.

She was born on April 25, 1941, in Algona, Iowa. She was daughter of the late Randall and Elfrieda (Paetz) Clark. In 1986, Sara was united in marriage to Claude Cogar, who passed in 2008.

Following her graduation from the Naeve School of Nursing, Sara worked as a registered nurse, Director of Nursing, and case worker for various healthcare facilities across the country, including Iowa, Colorado, Nevada, Nebraska and Minnesota. She found joy spending time with family, reading and drinking a good cup of coffee.



SARA COGAR

Left to cherish Sara's memory are her two children, Lori Graham and David Quisley (Christine); five grandchildren, Jason (Lindsey), Jared (Amanda), and Carolyn (Dannie) Graham and Tanna and Julia Quisley; a great-granddaughter, Sophia Jay Graham; sister-in-law, Nancy Clark; and several beloved nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by a sister, Linda Becker (Jerry); a brother, Matthew Clark; and a son-in-law, Jay Graham.

A family service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Friends of the Library, Rochester Public Library, 101 Second Street SE, Rochester, MN 55904 or any charity of your choosing.

Cynthia Olson Kay



CYNTHIA OLSON KAY

Cynthia Olson Kay, 67, of Eugene, Oregon, formerly of Fairfax, died on Tuesday, December 6, 2022. A Celebration of Life was held from 6 to 9 p.m. on January 7, at Fairfax City Hall.

Cynthia was born on September 11, 1955, in Mason City, Iowa, daughter of Russell and the late Elvira Olson; granddaughter to the late Dr. Russell R. Olson and Alice Olson of Northwood. She graduated from Prairie in 1974, united in marriage to Tim Kay in 1978. She had two daughters, Kristina and Kelli. She loved animals, shopping and eating out, but, most of all, her family. She was deeply loved and will be very much missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her husband, Tim; daughters, Kristina (Eric) Hayes and Kelli (Anthony) Krietz, both of Eugene, Ore.; brother, David (Nancy) Olson; father, Russell Olson; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Brian and Patti Kay; niece and nephews, Angela Sherwood, Duane Olson and Shawn Olson; and many great-nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Elvira Olson; and grandfather, Dr. Russell R. Olson and grandmother, Alice Olson both of Northwood.

Cynthia was diagnosed with ALS and her amazing family stepped up to be caregivers. A huge appreciation goes out to Dennis Kay, Pamela Kay and Angie Sherwood for their love and support through this difficult time, a big appreciation goes out to all the Kay family.*

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N-K's Ella Leonard makes a strong move to the basket in last Saturday's 55-44 non-conference loss in Riceville. The talented junior is averaging 7.2 points and 5.7 rebounds per game so far this season.



The Lady Vikings' Chloe Costello goes to her left hand to get off a contested shot last Saturday in Riceville. Costello is at or near the top in multiple statistical categories, including 15.8 points, 5.8 steals and 3.3 rebounds per game.



N-K guard Morgan Wallin gets a shot off in traffic in last Saturday's 11-point non-conference loss to the Wildcats of Riceville. Wallin is averaging five points per game and leads the team for the year on the boards, pulling down 6.3 rebounds per game.

Lady Vikings drop first two games of 2023, now 3-5 overall

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

Not only has the recent winter weather not been kind to the Lady Vikings, missing at least one game per week since the season started, but now 2023 has started on a sour note after they dropped two games last week, their first of the new year.

Last Thursday night in Northwood the Lady Vikings hosted Top of Iowa Conference East rival Osage, hoping to snap the Green Devils' 15-game winning streak, having never won a game over Osage.

The Lady Vikings, who have been known to get off to a slow start, on this night came out gunning and hung with Osage through the first eight minutes of play, ending the quarter trailing by just five points at 15-10.

But then, whether it was the Green Devils' defense or just that Northwood-Kensett went cold, over the next three quarters, 24 minutes in all, the Lady Vikings were able to score only 12 combined points, including a one-point third quarter that gave them a substantial 51-18 deficit to overcome in the fourth quarter.

Needless to say, the Lady Vikings were unable to close that gap and fell to Osage 60-22, falling to 3-2 in the TIC East, good enough for fourth place in the conference.

With the weather finally cooperating for a few days the Lady Vikings were able to get in a non-conference game last Saturday, traveling to Riceville to take on their old Corn Bowl Conference rival, the Wildcats of Riceville.

Trailing 3-0 to start the game against the 10-1 Wildcats, N-K got on the board when junior Chloe Costello drained a short jumper followed by Ella Leonard, who hit a shot and was fouled, converting a two-plus one for an early 5-3 lead.

Considering Riceville's near perfect record so far this season, N-K was still confident after ending the first quarter with just a 16-13 deficit, but that would soon change after the Lady Vikings went scoreless for nearly the whole second quarter, scoring their first points with just 1:23 remaining in the half, the front end of a one and one that was converted by Alexandria Hanson-Brandsoy, ending the first half of play trailing 31-14.

And while N-K did get back its shooting touch after the halftime break, pouring in 24 second half points, it was the 30 points it surrendered to the Wildcats that sealed its fate, falling by 11 points, 55-44.

The loss is the fourth in a row to Riceville and the fifth in the last six games played with the Lady Vikings coming out on top in the series with a 24-7 record.

N-K took its 3-5 mark into this week, where it had three games on the schedule, including Monday versus Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock, Tuesday versus North Butler and Friday at Nashua-Plainfield.

TIC East Girls Basketball Standings

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



Junior Mallory Rheingans nearly ends up in this photographer's lap chasing after a loose ball last Saturday in Riceville. Rheingans provides a defensive spark coming off the bench for the Lady Vikings, seeing significant playing time in all eight games played this season.



The Vikings' Treycen Rollene battles it out with his opponent in last Saturday's GTRA Invitational in Graettinger. Rollene, who placed third at 145 pounds, won this quarterfinals match with a 7-4 decision over Bennett Duitsman of Estherville Lincoln Central. (Picture provided by Sarah Jacobsen for the Northwood Anchor)



N-K's 132 pounder Alex Tiedemann is just a few seconds away from winning his quarterfinals match last Saturday in Graettinger. Tiedemann, the Viking 132 pounder, pinned Owen Eldridge of Manson NW Webster in just 1:13 and would go on to claim a fourth-place medal. (Picture provided by Sarah Jacobsen for the Northwood Anchor)

Rollene, Alex Tiedemann lead N-K wrestlers at GTRA Invitational

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Northwood-Kensett wrestling team has not been able to come close to fielding a complete lineup this season. Due to low numbers and persistent injuries of others, the Vikings took just five wrestlers to Graettinger last Saturday to compete in the GTRA Invitational.

Teams competing against N-K were Akron-Westfield, Boyder-Hull/Rock Valley, Central Springs, Estherville Lincoln Central, Garner-Hayfield/Ventura, Graettinger-Terril-Ruthven-Ayshire, Manson NW Webster, North Union, OABCIG, Sibley-Ocheyedan and West Bend-Mallard.

Combined the Vikings went 4-9 on the day with Treycen Rollene and Alex Tiedemann taking top honors for N-K, Rollene a third place finish and Tiedemann a fourth place finish.

Tiedeman started his day with a bye and then beat Manson NW Webster's Owen Eldridge by fall before losing his next two, a 4-1 semifinals match to Layton Yager of Estherville Lincoln Central and the third place match to Liam Kollasch of North Union in a narrow 8-4 decision.

Rollene, who has suffered this year with the injury bug as well, started his bracket with a bye and then won a 7-4 decision over Bennett Duitsman of Estherville Lincoln Central.

After losing by fall in the semifinals Rollene bounced back in the third place match and secured his third place finish with a fall over Lincoln Blickenderfer of Central Springs.

Other N-K wrestlers making the trip last Saturday were Aden Bice (0-2), Michael Jenssen (0-2) and Dalton Logemann (1-2). Logemann was 1-0 on the day before having to forfeit his final two matches due to medical reasons.

The Vikings will be in action again this Thursday at Saint Ansgar and Saturday at AGWSR in Ackley.

Vikings Season Records – Linca Scarlett 4-0, Aden Bice 4-10, Alex Tiedemann 5-8, Weston Willand 4-13, Dagen Peterson 2-3, Michael Jenssen 3-2, Treycen Rollene 7-5, Iver Gouriard 0-8, Trace Low 0-0, Trent Tiedemann 9-4, Christopher Madsen 1-3, Noah Woltzen 0-0

