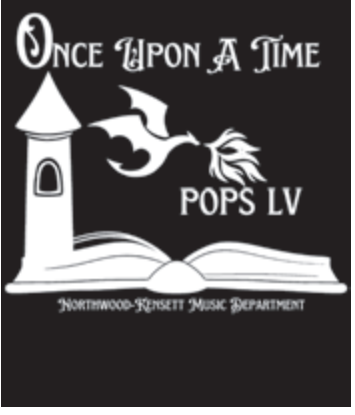
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Briefs



The POPS LV logo, seen on those taking part and on the stage, was designed by Ellie Ehrhardt.

POPS LV set for Friday

This Friday, the annual celebration of student talents, the POPS concert, will be presented in the N-K elementary auditorium.

This Friday, March 3, N-K will present POPS LV, with the theme of "Once Upon A Time," at the elementary auditorium, starting at 7 p.m.

The show features music with fairy tale or legendary origins and subjects, performed by the high school band, choir and jazz band.

The choir will share songs like "Smile," "Part of Your World" and "Disney Dreams to Share Medley."

Band performances will come from movies like "Enchanted," "Frozen," "The Little Mermaid," "Pinnochio," "How to Train Your Dragon" and "Shrek."

POPS will also include student skits and solos.

Legislative forum set for Friday

A legislator representing Worth County will hold a forum to speak with and answer questions from the public this Friday, March 3.

Iowa Representative Jane Bloomingdale, Northwood, will be at Manly City Hall, at 10 a.m. on Friday.

The forum is sponsored by Winn-Worth Betco and is open to the public.

19 Days till Spring



The Week's WEATHER
From National Weather Service data

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Sun. Feb. 26	36	9	
Mon. Feb. 27	42	8	0.75



The Madson family includes Beau, Breckynn, first baby Berkley and holding Berkley is big sister Briley.

First baby of 2023 is Berkley Mae Madson

It took 49 days, but the winner of the annual first baby of the year contest has been found. Berkley Mae Madson was born on February 18, the first baby born in the Northwood-Kensett school district.

Berkley was 8 lbs, 6 oz and 21 inches long. She was born to Wyatt and Savannah Madson. Welcoming her home were siblings Briley (7), Breckynn (4) and Beau (1).

Berkley is also the granddaughter of Heather and Merle Coombs, Northwood, Jill and Cody Knaack, Glenville, and Ed and Cailin Madson, Des Moines.

Berkley will be a gifted child, with several local businesses welcoming her to the community with gifts.

The first baby's parents will have a perfect place to store the baby's first clothes, once the first baby has put them to good use, with a new laundry basket from Kelly Hardware.

The first baby will be kept warm with a baby quilt from the Top of Iowa

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NVFC provides update on its ambulance service progress

While still just a few weeks into the official decision, the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company (NVFC) has provided more information on its progress towards offering ambulances services to the city and other areas of Worth County.

Following is information shared by the NVFC last week:

The goals of the NVFC are to have a full EMT, provisional paramedic ambulance service in operation by July 1. That means that all calls will have EMTs in service. When available, paramedics, who have additional training and can offer higher levels of care, will also be on the ambulance crew.

The NVFC plans to offer a 24/7 service. Those using the ambulance will be charged for the service, like other ambulance providers.

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Farm Bureau convenes conversation with ambulance stakeholders

Last week, the Worth County Farm Bureau Board of Directors hosted a discussion amongst the agencies, elected officials and others that will play a part in providing ambulance coverage and working with ambulance providers in Worth County.

Taking part in the discussion were Farm Bureau board members, representatives of fire departments in Worth County, County officials, township trustees, city officials and representatives of the two services that currently provide ambulance coverage in the county.

The potential ambulance coverage for Worth County has been in question since before the November general election. A ballot measure to establish taxes for a county-based ambulance service sparked conversation about ambulance service, but ultimately failed.

Following the election,

Ambulance, See Page 2

County sets process for $6M in TIF financing

The Worth County supervisors discussed the next steps needed to have TIF funding in place for its support of a natural gas pipeline project and road and bridge needs in the county, while courthouse projects may remain on the back burner.

Over the course of several months, the supervisors have been looking at the options to use the TIF (tax increment financing) process to borrow against future wind turbine property tax revenue.

Borrowing against those taxes allows the county to undertake larger scale projects that would otherwise require more conventional bonding and borrowing methods and that may not be possible.

At their regular meeting on February 21, the supervisors received an update on the potential TIF revenue they could borrow against.

Heidi Kuhl, a financial advisor from Northland Securities, was at the meeting to provide a look at the TIF resources available, how the supervisors plan to proceed and what the timeline is to have the TIF borrowing in place.

Kuhl said that the numbers are down somewhat, compared to the last time the TIF numbers had been shared.

A 20 year time limit is in place to borrow against the properties as a part of the TIF process. The figures showed how much TIF revenue can be generated in the remaining TIF eligibility for the 138 previous wind towers, and how much could be generated once the newest 76 towers in the northeast corner of county begin generating property taxes, starting in 2024.

Kuhl said the numbers were conservative and had been adjusted for property value rollbacks and potential changes to TIF procedures being discussed in the Iowa legislature.

With that in mind, Kuhl shared information that showed the County will have access to over $42 million in wind turbine tax borrowing over the full 20 years of the new turbines, after the existing TIF borrowing is paid off.

The earlier turbines have $25,036,560 in possible remaining tax revenue. The

TIF, See Page 2



X marks the spot where a tree will no longer be

Last week, the Iowa Department of Transportation traveled along Highway 65 in Northwood. Along the route, trees were marked with an orange "X." The trees marked are on the path of the resurfacing and widening of the highway that is expected to take place this summer. Those trees will be removed prior to the roadwork.

Local veterans honored with quilts — See Pages 11-12

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the two ambulance providers that currently respond in Worth County have come to the Worth County supervisors to request financial support to maintain their services, with amounts for the fiscal year, from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

The Mason City Fire Department (MCFD) requested $292,000, which would cover the costs of hiring the additional staff necessary to be able to respond in Worth County. The department covers most of the county east of the interstate.

The Forest City Ambulance Service, which covers the western portion of the county, along with Lake Mills Ambulance, requested $40,000, which would offset the costs of Worth County being included in its paramedic launch program for the area west of the interstate. The service has paramedics dispatched to an EMS scene before an ambulance may arrive, helping to stabilize and prepare patients for transport to a medical facility.

A representative of the FCAS said that funding would not impact the volunteer ambulances from Forest City and Lake Mills, but would only ensure access to the fast paramedic level care.

On February 2, the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company announced that it planned to beginning offering ambulance coverage, with a goal of July 1 for the service.

The potential sources of funding and the impact of the NVFC announcement have left many questions in the air. The Farm Bureau board invited the agencies that will play a part and those that will work with them to answer questions about how the county moves forward.

Worth CountyFarm Bureau board president Jim Neel opened the meeting, acknowledging all those at the meeting that need to work together to make sure Worth County residents have access to ambulance services.

Neel first asked Worth County Sheriff Dan Fank about the timeline needed for his office to make changes to the County's EMS (emergency medical services) dispatching systems, should ambulance coverage areas change.

Fank said that depending on how large of an area, it would likely take a minimum of two months to make changes to dispatch systems and have staff ready.

Erik Bullinger, chief of the MCFD was asked about his department's need for more funding. Bullinger explained that it was a combination of factors that has led to its financial need. He explained that insurance providers do not always fully compensate for ambulance calls. Also, he said that they would not turn away anyone in an emergency, and when they aren't insured, that means the MCFD absorbs the cost. The same is true when they aid at the scene, but the patient refuses transportation.

Bullinger was asked if the amount requested by the MCFD would decrease if the NVFC took over some its response area. Bullinger said it would not, as his department would still need to hire the same staff to respond to the remaining area of the county and to back up and aid the NVFC. He added that they would have to do so with less income from ambulance calls with a reduced area.

NVFC chief Blake Severson was asked about his department's plans for where they will provide ambulance service.

Severson explained that the department currently is the designated emergency rescue responder in all or portions of seven townships. Severson said that they will approach the trustees in each township and offer their ambulance service.

The NVFC has talked with state and county officials and begun looking at services that will take care of billing for ambulance use.

The department has two vehicles that can be used as ambulances. One is ready and the other needs additional equipment. The NVFC has two paramedics on staff, along with six-EMTS and eight more members that are in the midst of EMT training. Some additional training is also needed for transportation-specific skills.

Severson also talked about plans to set up agreements with Forest City and the MCFD. When a NVFC paramedic is not on call, the plan is that the NVFC would begin traveling and meet with another department's paramedic on the way to a hospital. Severson explained that would get access to paramedic care faster than if they waited for a paramedic to travel to the scene.

Severson was asked about how he would staff an ambulance, with volunteer staffing issues and response times sometimes a concern.

Severson said that with the ambulance service, the department's volunteers would be scheduled to be on call. They would also be compensated when they are involved in transporting someone to a hospital. Currently, the NVFC volunteers come as they are able, with no schedule or on call system to ensure their availability.

Other volunteers would also respond, as the NVFC plans to still operate a rescue squad.

The NVFC does not plan to ask for taxpayer funding for its service. Severson said that is the goal, but that may change once they are in operation and they see how costs are met by donations.

The question of how the funding requests from the MCFD and FCAS will be met.

Supervisor AJ Stone said that the county will use America Rescue Plan (ARP) pandemic relief funds to pay the MCFD and FCAS for the first year of continued coverage.

Over the course of the calendar year, Stone said that it will be up to the county's township trustees and city councils to find the funding for the services.

Townships can levy a maximum of 60 3/4 cents per $1,000 of taxable valuation for fire and EMS needs. Stone said that if all 12 townships increased their levy to the maximum, it would generate roughly $190,000.

The remainder of the $332,000 requested by the ambulance services, $142,000, would have to come from Worth cities, according to Stone. The township levies do not apply inside city limits.

With budgets already in the works around the start of this current calendar year, it was too late for councils and trustees to include the unknown need for ambulance costs. With the County funding the first year, the townships and cities have until roughly the end of the calendar year to look at how they will fund their share of the cost.

Northwood city officials in the room were asked if it would be difficult to justify using taxpayer funds to support the MCFD, with the NVFC offering ambulance response at no cost.

Council member Dan Reeder said it would. However, Severson made it clear that the MCFD would need to be a part of the city's ambulance network, with its potential paramedic intercept support and to back up the NVFC if their ambulances are both in use. He also noted that the Mason City taxpayers have paid the uncovered expenses for MCFD calls in Worth County for years.

Stone was also asked about the status of the committee that had been formed to look at EMS options prior to the ambulance vote last November.

Stone said that after the vote failed, the committee has not met. He added that there was no plan to put the question of EMS funding on ballots with the NVFC service in the works and its impacts unknown.

Supervisor Enos Loberg said that if the County took over the EMS decisions and funding, they would have to assume responsibility and funding for all EMS and all fire decisions countywide. Townships currently have a range of fire service levies in place, depending on the needs of their nearest community department. Some departments rely on township taxes and local support. The NVFC has been able to operate solely on community donations.

With many details in the works and decisions to be made, a deadline of July 1 has been set as a goal for the NVFC to begin its ambulance service. And for the trustees, they have to choose who will provide ambulance service and they will join the cities in deciding how to fund the agencies that will provide primary service or backup support.

NVFC
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The NVFC plans to offer ambulance coverage to as many Worth County residents as possible.

Steps taken to achieve that goal date back to 2018, with the purchase of a rescue truck that has been inspected for use as an ambulance. A second smaller ambulance-level vehicle was purchased in 2021.

Over the past five years, the NVFC has purchased equipment and supplies to work towards becoming a transport service.

The department made their intent official with a vote amongst its members on February 2.

A committee was formed to lead the effort. The committee includes chief/EMT Blake Severson, treasurer Cody Strand, paramedic Ryan Schoon, paramedic Jake Loken and secretary/EMT Brandon Oldfather. Four of the committee members have current or past ambulance experience, including management experience.

The NVFC has communicated its ambulance plans with the City of Northwood, Worth County officials, the Iowa Bureau of Emergency and Trauma Services, the Iowa Department of Management, IEMSA, the Worth County medical director, the Mason City Fire Department, the Lake Mills Ambulance Service, the Forest City Ambulance Service and other government and health care officials.

They have begun discussing and forming operating procedures and have included a billing agency in its discussions.

A staffing outline is in the works. They have begun working on the necessary training and credentials.

The next steps begin with conversations with the local governments that may accept them as the ambulance provider. That includes the City of Northwood and the seven townships where they currently provide fire and rescue services. Other townships will also be considered, if they request NVFC ambulance service.

The NVFC needs to purchase additional equipment to fully equip its newer ambulance.

The department will have to change its licensing from a rescue to transport agency.

Extensive staff training will have to be completed.

The department plans to host open house and fundraising events to support the additional EMS expenses.

Meetings will need to take place with the current services that provide ambulance coverage in Worth County, as the NVFC will need to have agreements in place for the agencies to assist each other when needed.

The NVFC will continue to work to communicate with the community and those impacted about their status and the changes and decisions involved in the process.

TIF
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76 new turbines could generate an additional $18,847,240.

Worth County currently has $3,477,232 in outstanding TIF borrowing to be repaid.

At the meeting, Kuhl presented a look at how the County could move forward with $6 million that could be borrowed using TIF. Funds could be available later this year. With repayment and interest, the County would then have over $35 million remaining for TIF borrowing.

The most pressing need for TIF funds, as noted by the supervisors, is to have the money on hand to guarantee a $10 million loan taken out by a company seeking to expanding a natural gas pipeline to the Manly Terminal area.

As the guarantee for the loan, if the company does not repay what is borrowed, the County will take over the pipeline and what remains unpaid.

Loberg said that the County needs the money out there for the pipeline support.

Kuhl suggested that the County should have provisions in place to borrow for the pipeline loan, if needed, and forego other TIF projects as needed.

Other potential TIF uses discussed since last year have included several Worth County road and bridge repairs and projects that would have to be delayed without the additional TIF funding.

County facilities have also been discussed for TIF funding.

A process to identify deteriorating county facilities and additional needs took place in 2021.

The process showed that issues at the county courthouse and other facilities have been repaired and addressed as needed, pushed aside for other considerations over the years, leading to a need for major renovations or the potential need to build a new courthouse facility.

However, until the need for the pipeline backing is resolved, the supervisors have said they will have to hold off on the courthouse project.

The supervisors approved beginning the process to borrow $6 million against turbine property taxes.

A public hearing on the financing will be held at the April 3 supervisors meeting. Funds could then be available to the County by May 31.

Madson
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Welcome Center's Barn Boutique.

The parents will be able to celebrate the event well with a bottle of wine from Shade Tree Liquors.

The first baby's parents will also be able to enjoy an evening out with a night at the movies, with $20 in Northwood Theatre dollars.

Gifts for the first baby's financial future will come in the form of a $25 opening deposit in a kid's piggy bank CD from Farmers State Bank.

The parents can also bank on the first baby's future with $25 towards a new savings account from NSB Bank.

The vehicle used to transport the first baby will be well-maintained with a free oil change at Knutson Auto.

The first baby's parents will no doubt appreciate the chance for a delicious meal, with a $20 gift certificate from Tequila's Mexican Bar & Grill.

Fallgatter's Market will offer a $25 gift certificate, which can be used for items for the new baby, or for the rest of the family.

R80 in Northwood will offer a $30 gift certificate for the first baby's family to enjoy snacks, a convenient meal or fuel to transport the first baby.

The first baby's parents will be kept up to date with local news and events, thanks to a one year subscription to the *Northwood Anchor*.

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An icy coating

The ongoing cycle of freeze and thaw has left some icy displays throughout the area. That includes this bush, located beneath a roof overhang, which collected melting snow, only to have it freeze again on the shrubbery.



A downtown snowscape

Before the warm up that ushered in the month of March, February packed in one more snowstorm. Pictured above is the downtown Northwood intersection on the evening of February 22, in midst of the inches of snowfall that created a thick layer of snow throughout the North Iowa landscape. It also contributed to the flooded landscape this week.

Data shows drought status and flood potential

Last week the National Weather Service issues its latest Spring 2023 Flood Outlook for Iowa, which accounts for standing water levels and projected later winter and spring precipitation. At the same time the latest update on existing water and drought conditions came from the Iowa DNR.

The Iowa DNR's monthly water summary update shared that January continued a recent trend for wetter than normal conditions, with wetter than average conditions for the third month in a row.

Precipitation in January was 1.82 inches in Iowa, almost double the normal amount of moisture for the state, up 0.85 inches, with almost all of the state's reporting stations showing near to above average precipitation.

At the same time, temperatures were also warmer than most Januarys, averaging 24.3 degrees, which is 4.8 degrees above normal and tied with 1986 for the 26th warmest on record. It was the warmest January since 2012.

Even with the above average precipitation, much of Iowa ranged from abnormally dry to exceptional drought conditions, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor.

As of February 9, Worth County ranged from abnormally dry in the northeast corner to moderate drought in the southwest corner. That is based on more than just precipitation, factoring in streamflow, soil moisture and shallow groundwater conditions.

The driest conditions were in the western central part of the state.

While much of the state is in dry or drought conditions, the eastern edge of the state, along the Mississippi River, may face a threat from flooding, while the rest of the state has near or below normal concerns, according to the February 23 Spring 2023 Flood Outlook for Iowa.

The vast majority of the state shows less than a 50% chance of flooding at NWS stations, including the closest to Worth County in Mason City.

Meanwhile, stations along the Mississippi River show greater than 50% chances of flooding, ranging from minor to major flooding. The shift towards major accompanied the heavy snow that fell across the state in recent weeks.

Flooding factors locally showed neutral or below normal levels.

River levels in Worth County were in the above normal range. That was the case for roughly 1/3-1/2 of the counties. Slightly less had normal river levels. The remaining showed no data.

Soil moisture rankings were in the normal range for the area of Worth County and much of the state to the east. In portions of Iowa to the west soil moisture was lower or at the bottom edge of the range.

The NWS data did not reflect last week's snowstorm. Prior to that the current snowpack was equivalent to 2 or 3 inches of snow water for a portion of the top third of Iowa, including Worth County. Below the snowpack was roughly at a trace to one inch of water.

For the month of March, according to the outlook, the northern half of the state had a slightly greater chance for below normal temperatures. Meanwhile, nearly all of Iowa had increased chances for above average precipitation this month.

The flooding outlook also provided agreement with the DNR's drought status, while projecting that the drought conditions would continue at least through April.

Putting for fight against cancer Saturday, March 4

This Saturday, March 4, a fundraiser for the fight against cancer will challenge putters across North Iowa.

The second annual Putt Putt fundraiser invites teams of five, four putters and one caddy (designated driver) to travel to nine stops to test their putting skills, with a shotgun start at 11 a.m.

Stops included the Strike Zone and Worth Brewing in Northwood; Plymouth Lounge; American Legion in Manly; Good Shot Golf and Sporting Clays and American Legion in



Emmons, Minnesota; Pub 69 in Twin Lakes, Minnesota; and American Legion in Glenville, ending at the Timbers in Northwood.

Teams can pre-register before or on the day of the event at any of the nine stops or beforehand at the number below. If a team pre-registers at a stop, that is their starting point on March 4. Registration is $50 per team.

All teams are asked to be at the Timbers by 7:30 p.m. with their scorecards.

Doors will be open to the public at the Timbers at 5 p.m. A free-will donation meal will be served starting at 6 p.m.

The event will also include a silent auction, raffle and prizes for the winning teams.

Those interested may get more information and sign up by contacting Teresa at 641-390-1578.

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Northwood-Kensett Winter Sports Banquet



Cheerleading banquet

The Northwood-Kensett winter season cheerleaders held their annual awards banquet last week. And while there were no wrestling cheerleaders this season, the basketball cheer squad was out in full force. This year's award winners are Luisa Bremer (left), Spirit Award and Lindsey Moore, Leadership Award.



Pictured are (from left) Jadyn Beland, Teagan Johnson, N-K graduate Andrew Breitsprecher, Pete Kelly and Grady Buenzow.

Northwood-Kensett performs at State Large Group Speech

From Beth Butler, Northwood-Kensett Speech coach

The Northwood-Kensett Speech Team traveled to Waterloo West High School on Saturday, February 4, to perform at the State Large Group Speech Contest.

The senior acting duo of Jadyn Beland and Teagan Johnson performed "The Best Escape" by Carolyn West and received ratings of 2, 2 and 1 from the judges for an overall Division "II" rating.

The senior improv quartet including Beland, Johnson, Pete Kelly and Grady Buenzow performed an improvised scene using the situation "locked inside a football stadium." The improv team received ratings of 2, 2 and 1 from the judges for an overall Division "II" rating.

The speech season continued with District Individual Speech Contest in Clear Lake on February 25....

The team was delighted to visit with Northwood-Kensett speech alumni, Andrew Breitsprecher (class of 2022), as he was at the Large Group Speech Contest serving as a judge.



Girls basketball banquet

The Northwood-Kensett girls basketball program held its annual awards banquet Sunday afternoon. This year's award winners include (from left) Morgan Wallin, Defensive Player of the Year; Madalynn Hanson, Coaches Award; Chloe Costello, MVP; Emma Hengesteg, Most Improved; and Peyton Shoger, Leadership Award.



Boys basketball banquet

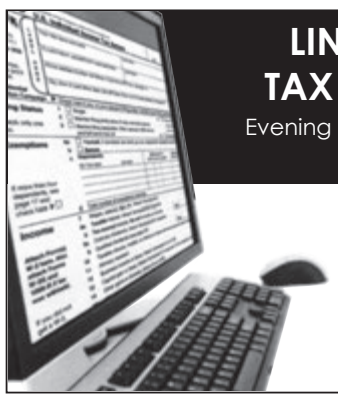
The Northwood-Kensett boys basketball program held its annual awards banquet Sunday afternoon. This year's award winners include (from left) Colby Eskildsen, Offensive Player of the Year; Evan Lorenzen, Most Improved; Lamonte Sims, MVP; and Kooper Julseth, Defensive Player of the Year.

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Group works to be there for diaster victims

An open house was held recently, inviting members of the community to learn more about the committee dedicated to providing disaster recovery resources when other options run out.

The North Iowa Long Term Disaster Recovery Committee formed in 2020 to help residents of Cerro Gordo, Floyd, Mitchell and Worth counties after disaster strikes.

The committee is made up of representatives of county emergency management agencies, mental health advocates, public health agencies, ministerial associations, the Red Cross, other organizations and other members of the communities. The agencies and individuals work together to build the resources for disaster relief and work to provide it for those in need.

Following disasters, in the four county region, the committee responds to help the victims with needs that aren't served by other relief groups and agencies.

The resources of the committee are made possible by donations and requests made by participating groups. The group also coordinates volunteer recovery assistance.

When disaster strikes, those impacted in the four counties begin with their insurance providers and federal recovery agencies like FEMA if their county is declared a federal disaster.

After those resources are used, the committee steps in to help with remaining needs. That begins by emailing niltdrc.iowa@gmail.com, or by filling out an application with the committee and submitting it to the office of the Cerro Gordo County Emergency Management Agency.

The committee provides individual assistance with such things as replacing water heaters, repairing items, replacing necessities and returning people to a safe healthy home environment.

The committee also helps communities by filling food pantry shelves and bringing in volunteers to help with clean up and recovery.

The committee is seeking community assistance. People may contribute in the form of donations. That includes monetary donations, as well as donations of time and talents.

Monetary donations help the committee have resources on hand and ready to use, instead of the typical funds that people would donate immediately following a disaster.

Assistance could also include disaster recovery, or supporting volunteers by preparing food, making calls and in other ways.

Volunteers can also help with organization, help disaster victims fill out paperwork, or just be there to listen.

Other donations are also accepted, including materials and items, if coordinated with the committee.

Tax deductible donations can be made online or by mail.

More information is available online at www.niltdrc.com or by calling 641-592-0800.



Cheer team members include Sydney Buseman (freshman, Hampton), Madison Craig (freshman, Solon), Ashlee Freymark (freshman, Marion), Austyn Hilton (sophomore, West Des Moines), Bella Laures (junior, Denver), Lillie McKee (sophomore, Mingo), Joslynn Moore (sophomore, Corning), Averi Shride (freshman, Burlington), Haley Wallin (freshman, Northwood), Maggie Williams (freshman, Newton), and Bella Van Gorp.

Wallin on Central College's conference winning cheer squad

Central College came away with the competitive dance overall title and a first place division award in cheer at the American Rivers Dance and Cheer Invitational on February 19 at Simpson College.

The conference competitive dance champion was determined by averaging scores from the pom and jazz routines. Central took first place in jazz for the third consecutive year with 76.83 points, with Nebraska Wesleyan University second with 71.83. Central was also first in hip-hop for the second year in a row with 77.50, followed by Simpson at 69.00. In pom Central was third with 78.17 as Nebraska Wesleyan prevailed with 80.17.

In the overall standings, Central topped the six team field with 77.50, followed by Nebraska Wesleyan at 76.00, Simpson at 70.58, Coe College at 63.25, Buena Vista University at 62.50 and Wartburg College at 59.00.

Central won the only division it entered in the cheer competition, repeating as the game day division winner with 81.20, followed by Nebraska Wesleyan at 75.12. There was no overall champion determined in the cheer competition because no more than three schools participated in each division.

"The dance team put it all out on the floor today," coach Lexi Gbogbo said. "All of our hard work is showing in our scores. The other teams brought the heat today, but we stayed focused on our technique and crisp motions. We are so proud to represent the Dutch."

Dance team members include TiAhnna Bryant (senior, Donnellson), Paige Busick (senior, Pleasantville), Alysha Coyle (junior, Ankeny), Ellie Herdrich (freshman, Donnellson), Tessa Huff (junior, Ames), Jessie Pospisil (freshman, Cedar Rapids) and Kami Sickels (junior, Des Moines).

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"I'm very proud of the hard work that the cheer team put in in preparation of this competition," assistant coach Kirsten Overton said. "Taking home the game day division title two years in a row is a great accomplishment."

Central will compete in the NDA/NCA (National Dance Alliance/National Cheerleaders Association) College Nationals in Daytona Beach, Florida, on April 4-9.

Social networking event with Healthy Harvest of North Iowa

Healthy Harvest of North Iowa will present a social networking event to celebrate local food producers and businesses who feature local food. The event will be held on Saturday, March 11, 1 – 3 p.m., at Worth Brewing Company, 835 Central Ave, Northwood.

Owner Peter Ausenhus will share the brewing process he uses at Worth Brewing, including the use of local grain and other ingredients, reducing food waste by utilizing the spent grain and his beekeeping operation. Other brewers and producers will also discuss their experiences with the local food system, and their efforts to eliminate food waste.

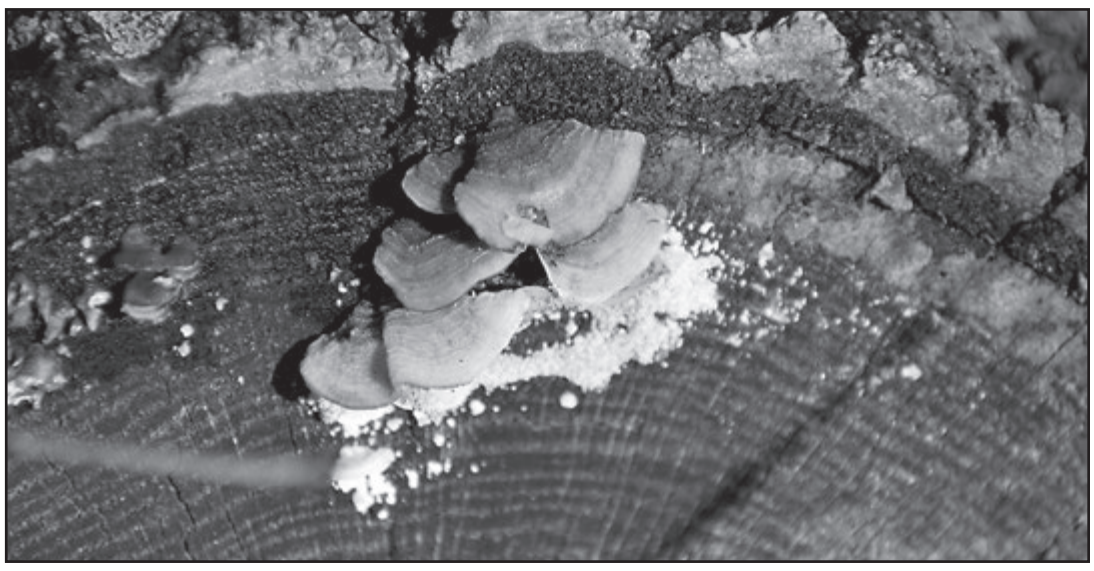
All current and prospective Healthy Harvest members are invited to enjoy light snacks and taste the wide variety of brews at Worth Brewing. As the Company's motto states, "If it's not handcrafted, it's not Worth Brewing!"

The afternoon will also include some friendly competition among the guests, and an opportunity to just enjoy each other's company.

More information about the event is available by contacting Mary at connection@healthyharvestni.com or Nikkole at manager@worthbrewing.com.

The North Iowa Local Food Connections program is coordinated by Healthy Harvest of North Iowa to build relationships between local food and farm businesses. These events provide an opportunity to learn about the unique businesses across our region raising and providing great food. The network creates a space for businesses and friends to collaborate, learn and create connections that build businesses and productive communities.

The North Iowa Food Connections program is a partnership of Healthy Harvest of North Iowa (www.healthyharvistni.com) and local food and farm businesses. Support is provided by a USDA Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (BFRDP), in partnership with Practical Farmers of Iowa.



Mush room for Wildlife Wednesday

The Worth County Conservation Board's Facebook page is sharing nature photos and fun facts with Wildlife Wednesdays, including this photo. "The warmer weather the past few days has provided great opportunities to go explore outdoors. One of our findings this week are these pretty mushrooms on the side of a decaying log. Can you identify this common mushroom species?"

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Pancakes for Bible school

On February 5, the Bethel United Methodist Church in Manlly hosted a pancake breakfast. The meal was organized, prepared and served by helpers from the Bethel and Trinity United Methodist Church in Bolan, along with the Golden Banner 4-H Club. The dining room at the church was packed with people enjoying pancakes, sides and drinks, all for a donation to the annual Vacation Bible School in Bolan. The VBS event, with a theme of "STELLAR Shine Jesus's Light," will be held June 19-23, from 9 a.m. to noon each day. Pictured at top left are (from left) Joe Nydegger, Roger Erdmann, Steve Wendt, Ethan King, Tristan Coyle, Avery Brunsvold, Reese Berding, Scott Willert, Breck Lutz, Mary Wendt, Pam Wirtjes, Sue and Dean Cowell, Pam Anderson, June Erdmann and Linda Nydegger. Pictured at left are pancake mixers Johanna Kuchenbecker, Ethan King and Hannah Hill. Pictured at the drink table are Mary Wendt and Michelle Hill.

Weeks 6 & 7: Bill to streamline state government



Jane Bloomingdale
Iowa House
District 51

In the Iowa Legislature, next week is called first funnel week. Most bills need to pass out of committee in either the House or the Senate to be eligible for consideration this year. This is a self-imposed deadline that helps us stay on schedule and get our work done in a timely fashion.

This is one of our busiest weeks and our focus is on subcommittees and committees with limited floor debate. Last I heard, there were over 650 bills filed. While several of those bills will not move forward, we are working to get input on bills in subcommittee. The subcommittee in turn makes recommendations to the committee for passage, amendment, or to be put back in the bottom of the drawer. Committee time has been extended to allow us to consider more bills this week.

As the Chair of State Government, HSB 126, the 1600-page government streamline bill, has been a major focus for me, our committee, our staff, our bill drafters and the Governor's staff. We had four subcommittees and one extended caucus last week. This week we are planning another subcommittee (possibly two) and hoping to move it to committee for passage at the end of the week. We have met with the directors and department heads and our committee is working together to answer questions and address their concerns. Most of our meetings have been very positive and the department heads are working toward a smooth transition. It has been 40 years since the state of Iowa conducted a comprehensive assessment of government operations and structure. We have allowed our cabinet level agencies to grow to 37, not really smaller smarter government. With this realigning of agencies, we will align agencies with similar business operations and reduce that number to 16. Bringing departments with similar business functions together will improve efficiency, reduce redundancy, elevate services and decrease costs to taxpayers. No services will be eliminated and no layoffs will occur due to alignment.

Several other bills moving out of State Government last week included:

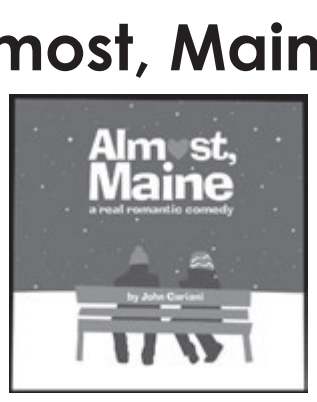
• HF 263 narrowly defines our Open Meeting laws and excludes attendance at an event hosted by a political party or civic organization

• HF 356 creates a uniformity in our election recount process, continuing to make our elections among the safest and most secure in the nation

• HSB 181 provides immunity from liability for veterinarians acting in good faith involving when investigating the alleged mistreatment of animals

As always, please feel free to contact me with any question, concerns or suggestions. My email is jane.bloomingdale@legis.iowa.gov.

ACT to perform 'Almost, Maine' on March 9-18



Albert Lea Community Theatre (ACT) continues its 57th season with the romantic comedy "Almost, Maine" at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center on March 9–18.

"Welcome to Almost, Maine, a place that's so far north, it's almost not in the U.S. 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 star-filled sky above, 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."

Cast members are Patrick Bird, Jon Cochran, Kristan Dye, Brian Mattson, Emma McColley, Lyle Sorensen, Michelle Supalla, Heather Torley, Samantha Weir, Kristi White and Aaron Zogg.

"Almost, Maine," written by John Cariani and directed by Christy Fuller, will be performed at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center in downtown Albert Lea on March 9-12 and 15-18. Shows start at 7:30 p.m., with the Sunday, March 12, matinee at 2 p.m.

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

Northwood Anchor Church

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Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly
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Bethany Lutheran Church/ Elk Creek Lutheran
Wednesday, Ash Wednesday at Bethlehem, 7 p.m.; Thursday, Manna Open, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Worship - Bethany, 9 a.m., Sunday School - Elk Creek, 9:45 a.m., Worship Elk Creek, 10:30 a.m.; Monday, MANNA Open, 10 a.m. - Noon
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Trinity United Methodist, Bolan
Friday, World Day of Prayer at Bethel, 1 p.m.; Sunday, Worship Service/Communion, 9:10 a.m., Coffee Fellowship, 10 a.m.
Pastor Cory Allard

Bethel United Methodist Church
Wednesday, Diner, 8:30 a.m., Wonderful Wednesday, K-3rd Grade, 3 p.m., Mini Choir, 4:30 p.m., Mini Bells, 5 p.m., 4th-8th, 5:30 p.m., Meal & Confirmation, 6:15 p.m., JuBELLee Ringers, 6 p.m.; Thursday, Girl Scouts Meeting in Fellowship Hall, HS Youth Group, 7 p.m.; Friday World Day of Prayer; Sunday, Bethel Worship Service, 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m., Trinity Worship, 9:10 a.m., Sunday School, 9:15 a.m., Bethel Worship, 10:30 a.m., Lenten Service at Bethel UMC, 4 p.m.

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., Service for Ash Wednesday, 7 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, 9 a.m., Sunday School, 10:10 a.m., JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Staff Meeting, 11 a.m., AA-Al-Anon, 7 p.m.

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Puttering and Other Ways to Savor Life



During my childhood, my father would often preface his trips to the garage with the announcement that he was going downstairs to "putter," often saying that he was "just going to putter around" in the garage. What he usually ended up doing for the next few hours was fixing broken toys, lamps or other appliances, or working on the cars. I distinctly remember looking up the word "putter" after hearing my father use the term, trust me, he "puttered" a lot, and chuckling when I read the definition: to occupy oneself with minor or unimportant tasks. But even then I knew that what my father was doing wasn't minor or unimportant. Seeing him fix broken stuff around the house was an important lesson on the value of resourcefulness, frugality, and helping others. Some of my most productive days now are those lazy Saturdays when I putter around the house, doing some housework perhaps between writing these short pieces, and then maybe going for a walk. We never know what we might find or how we might get inspired when we putter. You don't always need a prioritized list in order to get stuff done or to savor life in all its glory. Sometimes you just need to take the time to putter. —Christopher Simon

"Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name." – Psalm 103:1

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Bulwer Lytton, Edward Robert



by Sandy Olson

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

"Grandmother's Cooking Secrets" by Dr. Myles H. Bader (2001, Bader Publishing, Las Vegas) is not technically a cookbook…or recipe book to be exact. It's a large volume of "Over 9,000 Food Preparation Secrets from the Last 100 Years." So says the subtitle and that's pretty impressive. I haven't counted all the tips of the art of cooking but there are plenty of things to consider when deciding to prepare a certain dish or cut of meat. The book consists of 595 pages including a Glossary of terms we might not be familiar with. Since that was so interesting, we'll delve into that glossary too, since there are few recipes in this book to consider. I've adapted some of the narrative.

Potatoes

Use new red potatoes for the best potato salad. It's best to use fresh new potatoes that will absorb less moisture when boiled and will also absorb less mayonnaise. They are stronger and won't break down when you are stirring them during the boiling step. Whole potatoes take about 15-20 minutes to become firm but tender; you don't want to either overcook or undercook them; it will spoil the salad.

Baked potato chips are a healthy alternative to the packaged version. Cut large russet potatoes in half crosswise after peeling and drying. Then, using a wide potato or vegetable peeled, slice into thin slices. Spray the slices with vegetable oil and place on a cookie sheet. Bake at 450 degrees F. to a golden brown…watch that they don't burn as they are thin! After they are browned, sprinkle with sea salt and another other flavorings you enjoy such as parmesan, cayenne, garlic or onion salt (in place of the plain salt) and enjoy.

Garlic Mashed Potatoes

Use an entire large head of garlic, wrap it in foil, then roast it for an hour at 350 degrees F. Remove the individual cloves, let them cool a bit, then squeeze to remove the pulp from the skin. Prepare 2 pounds of russet potatoes into mashed potatoes, adding warm milk and softened butter to taste. Mash the garlic pulp into the potatoes. Delicious with roast beef.

Avocado

Sometimes the avocados you buy are as hard as stones. To ripen faster, place them in a wool sock, in a dark location, for 1-2 days. Just don't forget where you put them! You can also put them in a brown paper bag with an apple for 1-2 days. Avocados will not ripen on the tree so must be harvested and ripened later. Avocados cannot be heated or they will release a chemical compound that turns them bitter. In some countries avocado is used in place of butter because they have about 20% fat content as opposed to butter which is 100% fat. Always add avocado to a dish immediately before serving as they turn brown when exposed to air.

Soups

Soup will have a better flavor if allowed to rest in the refrigerator 1-2 days after making it; serve it then. Always save leftover meat and chicken bones to provide additional flavor for soups and stews. SANDY'S NOTE: the carcass from a roast chicken or rotisserie chicken from the deli, plus the skin and juices, makes the most wonderful chicken broth. Put them in a freezer bag until you have 2 or 3 and make a big pot of chicken broth which you can then freeze for later use if necessary. If you are going to puree soup, allow it to cool first to room temperature. Floating popcorn on top of a bowl of soup (homemade or canned) is a great treat for children. If your cream soup develops lumps, just put it in the blender; problem solved.

The Glossary

Terms that might be new to you or that you've seen and wondered about. This only scratches the surface of what is included in this book.

Acrid: A substance that produces a hot, irritation sensation. Think hot chili peppers.

Acquired Bouqet: The aroma of wine as it ages.

Al Dente: Pasta that has been cooked to the state when it's still a bit firm, never mushy. In Italian it means "to the tooth".

Au Jus: The meat juices that are the result of roasting a piece of meat. Think French dip sandwich.

Bain-Marie: A pan of hot water used in the oven to reduce the risk of curdling. Think: baking a custard.

Bechamel Sauce: A simple white sauce made of flour, butter and milk. Can be seasoned with nutmeg, salt and pepper or other spices after it has thickened. Think: homemade mac and cheese.

Dash: a tiny measure of a spice, approximately 1/16th of a teaspoon.

Decanting: Pouring wine carefully from its original bottle into a decanter for serving. Helps the wine breathe.

Mirepox: A mixture of diced carrots, celery and onions, often sautéed in butter before being added to a dish.

We could go on for a long time, but…. that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society



Wright by the books

The Northwood Public Library hosted an author event at the library on February 9. Author Brian K. Wright, a Northwood native and Northwood-Kensett graduate, visited to discuss his books and his life as a writing coach, radio host and magazine publisher.

A Senior Moment

By Sandy Olson

On cold winter days and nights I often think that it's just one day closer to April. Well, we're now one month closer to April and the best we can do in North Iowa is to look forward to balmy weather on the horizon.... or somewhere along there! One of the best things about being a little old lady is that I don't have to go out if I don't want to so the cold isn't as much of an issue as it once was. Other than to stock the pantry, freezer or medicine cabinet, I can hunker down if need be. When the weather gives us a break, how about heading to the Northwood Senior Center? It's always warm and cheerful inside with the aroma of home-style cooking and the conversation of friends. Here's what's happening in March:

First, a correction in our notice about the Chick Party on Wednesday, March 1. It's NOT at the Public Library, it's at the Elementary School Library. Now that makes sense so those little birds don't have to go out into the cold! Come and watch Theresa Stehn and the kindergarten students get acquainted with those fluffy chickies. Transportation from the Senior Center will be available; time is 1 p.m.

Those book-loving Bookworms will gather at the Public Library on Monday, March 6. A lively discussion of February's book will be facilitated by the members and March's book will be announced. Club starts at 2 p.m.

Lunch concerts are some of the best days of the month, with Lois Meyer playing and leading our Lunch Bunch in music. Lois will be at the Senior Center on Thursday, March 9 AND Thursday, March 23 at 11:45 a.m. Join the fun!

BINGO! That's what we hear people shouting when Fun Bingo is on the agenda. On Monday, March 13, and om Monday, March 27, are the days you can play free and win prizes. Carol and Marcia will be at the helm calling the games. Time is 12:30 p.m.

On Wednesday, March 15, is just before St. Patrick's Day so wear something green and come to enjoy a holiday activity. Marcia Price will have something fun up her green sleeve. Time is 12:30 p.m.

We can't stop focusing on both our healthy eating and healthy information. It's so important to stay as well and active as we can during our "Golden Years". Shanna Butler from Worth County Public Health will visit the Center on Thursday, March 16, at 12:15 p.m. with her usual interesting wellness topic. Then, on Tuesday, March 21, we'll enjoy Amy's Fresh Conversation newsletter and tasty food ideas. She joins us at 12:15 p.m. as well. Both of these very knowledgeable women can help us stay at our best.

If you have not enjoyed lunch at the Senior Center for a while....or ever... you are in for a treat. The meals are prepared right in our kitchen by the dedicated staff and served hot off the stove or out of the oven. There are several area Senior Centers who have lost their kitchen staff and have meals sent over from a grocery store or diner; not as hot and fresh as those right from the kitchen. The suggested donation for a full meal is $5 and there is no tip or tax! Call the Center at 642-324-1244 to reserve your spot at the table; check the Anchor for the menu each week. Call the day before or no later than 8 a.m. on the day you want to join the meal.

All Tuesdays are card and game days at the Center for anyone who wants to play. If you belong to a card club, consider "entertaining" them at the Senior Center where you don't have to set up tables, clean house before and after the game or worry about if you will have enough chairs! Just bring your own games, snacks and beverages. Let the staff know you will be staying after lunch to play; it's a great way to spend some of those cold hours.

Please remember that if school is closed for bad weather, the Senior Center will also be closed and there will be no home-delivered meals.

Northwood Public Library

By Emily Tufte
Library Director

Happy March! Spring is just around the corner and then it'll be summer!! Whoo hoo! I'm looking forward to the Summer Reading Program. If you'd like to help fund our Summer Reading Program you can email me at emily@northwood.lib.ia.us, call us at 324-1340 or of course, just stop in and see us!

I'm sure that the kids will be going stir-crazy over Spring Break this month. Please remember the library is always a nice option when you're looking to get out of the house for a bit. We have puzzles you can do and coloring sheets to color!

This month's Friday morning story times will be on March 24 and 31, 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.

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 Fiction books: "Forever Texas" by William W. Johnstone, "The Housemaid" by Freida McFadden, "Countdown" by James Patterson, "The Librarian of Burned Books" by Brianna Labuskes, "Never Never" by Colleen Hoover, "Remember Me" by Tracie Peterson, "Someone Else's Shoes" by Jojo Moyes, "Storm Watch" by C.J. Box, "The Writing Retreat" by Julia Bartz, plus many more.

Junior Fiction books: "Sleepy Sheepy" by Lucy Ruth Cummins, "When PB met J: The Best Friendship Since Sliced Bread" by Katelyn Aronson, "The Never Girls graphic novel: Mystery at Mermaid Lagoon" by Katie Cook, "Once Upon a Tim" by Stuart Gibbs, "Bamboo Kingdom: River of Secrets" by Erin Hunter, plus many more.

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 at emily@northwood.lib.ia.us or call us at 324-1340. We hope you will check us out soon!

The London Deer Creek Cemetery Association will be having its
ANNUAL MEETING
Saturday, March 11 • 10 a.m.
Deer Creek Valley Lutheran Church
All are invited to attend

Thank You
We would like to Thank all businesses that supported Gideon and Treycen on their adventure to state wrestling. We would also like to thank everyone in our community as well as the school that rallied behind both of them. Our boys could not have achieved the success that they had without the coaches in their life. Thank You, Tim Thofson, Ryan Weisert, Dennie Paulson, High School Coaches Hunter Julson, Zach Samson and Jordan Reindl.
We are going to miss this sport very much and friends we've made along the way.
Ryan & Amy Rollene*

Help us Celebrate!
Happy 98th Birthday
Becky Johnston
on March 1
Send her a card to let her know you're thinking of her!

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Happy 90th Birthday to Margie Davis
on March 12

Help us celebrate with a Card Shower!

Send birthday wishes to:
322 Nature Court
Northwood, IA 50459*

Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Savvy Senior

How to protect seniors from scam calls

Dear Savvy Senior,

What tools can you recommend to help protect trusting seniors from scam calls? My 74-year-old mother gets tons of unwanted telemarketing and robocalls on her cell and home phone and has been duped out of hundreds of dollars.

Frustrated Daughter

Dear Frustrated,

It's a great question! Scammers are always looking for new ways to dupe people out of money, and in the U.S., phone calls remain the primary way swindlers hook older victims.

The Federal Trade Commission recently found that 24 percent of adults over age 60 who reported losing money to a scam in 2021 said it started with a phone call – the largest percentage of any method, including email, text and mail.

To help protect your mom from the onslaught of robocall scams, telemarketing and spam calls, here are some tips and tools you can help her employ.

Register Her Numbers

If your mom hasn't already done so, a good first step in limiting at least some unwanted calls is to make sure her home and cell phone numbers are registered with the National Do Not Call Registry. While this won't stop fraudulent scam calls, it will stop unwanted calls from legitimate businesses who are trying to sell her something. To sign up, call 888-382-1222 from the phone number you want to register, or you can do it online at DoNotCall.gov.

Cell Phone Protection

Most wireless providers today offer good tools for stopping scam calls and texts. For example, AT&T has the ActiveArmor Mobile Security app; Verizon provides the Call Filter app; and T-Mobile offers the Scam Shield app.

To activate these tools, download the spam-blocking app from your mom's carrier on her phone, which you can do at the Apple and Google App store. These apps are free to use, but most carriers will also offer upgraded services that you can get for a small monthly fee.

If, however, your mom uses a regional or small wireless carrier that doesn't offer scam/robocall protection you can use a free third-party app. Truecaller (Truecaller.com), Call Control (CallControl.com), Hiya (Hiya.com) and YouMail (YouMail.com) are all good options to consider.

Built-In Call Blockers

Many smartphones today also offer built-in tools that can block spam calls. If your mom uses a newer iPhone (iOS 13 or later), she can completely silence all unknown callers who aren't in her contacts list in the phone "Settings."

Silencing all unknown callers is an extreme solution that will definitely stop all unwanted calls, but your mom will also miss some legitimate calls too. However, unknown callers do have the option to leave a voice message and their calls will appear in her recent calls list. And she can add any number to her contact list to let them through in the future.

If your mom owns a new Android phone, she can also block spam calls in the phone "Settings." Or, if she owns a Samsung Galaxy phone, she can use "Smart Call," which flags suspected spam calls and allows her to block and report them.

She can also block specific reoccurring spam call numbers on iPhones and Android manually.

Home Landline Protection

To stop scam calls on your mom's home phone set up the "anonymous call rejection" option. This is a free feature available from most telephone companies, however some may charge a fee. It lets you screen out calls from callers who have blocked their caller ID information – a favorite tactic of telemarketers. To set it up, you usually have to dial *77 from your landline, though different phone services may have different procedures.

Call your mom's telephone service provider to find out if they offer this tool, and if so, what you need to do to enable it. And if they don't offer it, find out what other call blocking options they offer.

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

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Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

I bought a minivan that holds seven people without a problem.

That sounds good.

Yeah, but where do I find seven people without a problem?

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. My Zamboni wouldn't start. The wind had been reduced to a whisper, not long after a blizzard had toilet papered the yard with deep snow. The winter storm was named Olive but acted like Ole. Olive's impact was widespread. It wouldn't surprise me if one day, corporate entities will buy naming rights to storms. Blizzards will carry the names of snowmobile makers and rainstorms will display the monikers of rainwear companies. The snow was achingly beautiful, especially after I'd shoveled it. The snowplow wasn't cutting through the snow like a hot knife going through butter, but sunrays brought warmth and -9°. I walked on an icy drive. Walking on a field of banana peels requires luck and skill.

I saw "A Man Called Otto." It was a great movie about the transformation of a grumpy guy. We all know one of those. Most males have taken their turn in that role. Theater marquees are seldom as glittering as they once were and the seats are ample where they once were cramped. The lights still fade and I suppose the curtains (draperies) still part in the few theaters having them. The popcorn smells as good as bacon. That's important as the movies are for yucks, the popcorn for bucks.

Baseball, the lightning round

I watched a baseball game one summer where the Helena Handbaskets were playing the Erie Coincidences. And then they weren't. The game was called because of lightning. We had a lightning rod on our roof. It came with the house and doubled the dwelling's value. It included a weather vane, with an arrow on one end and a metal pig on the other, showing the wind direction. Back when a streaming service was an actual stream, lightning hit the house. It cleaned the windows and changed the radio station.

I've learned

Once upon a time, Clippy, Microsoft's animated paperclip, popped up in Microsoft Word to offer assistance: "It looks like you're writing a letter. Would you like help?" I never took Clippy up on that offer. I should have.

Advanced technology helps, but it makes many people feel helpless.

When I was a boy, staying hydrated involved water, Kool-Aid and Tang

Our huddled masses are football players.

Wives are right 88.97% of the time. I won't divulge a man's chances of being right.

It will be a long wait if the receptionist gives you a blanket and a pillow.

We should never blame someone struggling with a second language if we speak only one.

I'd never say that I'm Superman, but I've never seen the two of us together.

Nature notes

The red veins of spring are evident, particularly on south-facing slopes where the red colors of shrubs brighten and become more vibrant this time of the year. Deer find the twigs of red-osier dogwood fine eating. The plants (also known as red-twig dogwood and redbrush) are eye-catching. The colors of the yellow/gold outer branches of weeping willows are also enhanced chromatically. Look for deer sheds anytime the snow melts. The smell of skunk wafts on the wind when winter makes a slow slide into spring. Listen for birds heralding the oncoming seasonal changes as love is in the air—the air of increasing daylength. Woodpeckers drum frequently. Their feathered brethren—cardinals, starlings, chickadees, house finches, nuthatches and blue jays make sounds of spring. The black-capped chickadee's whistled fee-bee song that says "spring's here" to me. Cardinals sing any time of the year but vocalize with increasing gusto now. The male white-breasted nuthatches sing a rapid, nasal "what-what-what." The jays make a squeaky pump handle call and starlings mingle chatter, gurgles, rattles, trills, warbles and whistles. House finches sing a long, jumbled warbling of brief notes. The birds call for us to walk, at least to a window.

I pulled into a fast-food parking lot. The lot was filled with empty spaces, so I stopped to return a phone call. The automobile stable was being visited by starlings, house sparrows and crows. Those birds love fast-food parking lots because humans are messy eaters. I saw a crow dragging a slice of pizza as another watched, likely offering constructive criticism. "Lift with your legs." A crow will eat a pizza even if it hasn't been run over by a car.

Meeting adjourned

Don't look down on anyone unless you are helping them up.

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Fit to print...

Assessment education

By Cindy Thompson
Worth County Assessor

A large part of the role of the Assessor's Office is educating property owners on their assessments. This is especially true at this time of year, since assessments or 'notices of value' were sent out a couple weeks ago. People often have questions on how their assessments were determined. I hope to address some of those questions.

Assessments, by state code, change because they are based on what property is selling for in a given area. The numbers revolve around "the estimate of fair market value" or, in other words, the value that someone will purchase a certain property for. This is true for assessing both residential and commercial properties (land classed as agricultural is not assessed at market value).

Iowa law requires assessors to value property at 100% of fair market value. This means the assessed value of a property is required to be the same as the sales price, allowing for a tolerance between 95% and 105%. In other words, if a property sells for $200,000 then the assessed value must be between $190,000 and $210,000. Before the recent mailing of assessment notices, assessed values for urban and rural residential properties in Worth County were sitting at approximately 76.65%. The Assessor, therefore, raised the value of all properties in the county in order to fall within the 95%-105% range. Should the Assessor fail to meet this requirement, the Iowa Department of Revenue steps in and raises values to 100%.

Recently, a combination of high cost of building materials and low interest rates resulted in a thriving market for both buyers and sellers. Due to high construction costs and material shortages, fewer people chose to build, resulting in a high demand for existing structures. Combined with historically low interest rates, buyers were paying much more for properties than in prior years, which is why Worth County residents are seeing such a large increase in property values.

I want to remind people that assessments do not determine tax rates and that the Assessor's Office does not calculate or collect taxes. Taxes are determined by the budgets of taxing bodies such as counties, towns and schools. A publication from the Iowa State Association of Assessors explains, "Your taxes are in proportion to the value of your property compared to the value of the taxing district where your property is located (Worth County)." This means that even though the assessed value on a property may go up, taxes could go down depending on the state rollback and local budgets in a given year. Keep in mind that the assessed value and the taxable value of your property are not the same. Every year the state issues a new rollback which determines the percent of your property value that is taxable. More to come on this in the future.

Should you choose to protest your property value, you should be prepared to present evidence supporting your claim. The first thing we ask is, "what do you think your market value should be and why?" Owning a property for many years without making any major improvements does not mean your property value will remain static, the value will still increase/decrease according to the estimate of fair market value at any given time. Be prepared with reasons and evidence as to why an assessment should be changed. This includes knowing what comparable properties have sold for, which is public information. The Assessor's Office has lists of all sales for towns and rural areas available in the office and online. Property owners are encouraged to pick up a sales list and drive by these properties to gain a better understanding of the current market.

I want to emphasize that the Assessor's Office is always willing to take time to help people understand their assessments. Assessment values are reached with the utmost diligence and care, and our staff are happy to answer property owner's questions. Helpful information along with the most current sales list can be found on the Assessor's page at worthcountyiowa.gov.

Northwood Anchor Early Files

100 years ago

February 28, 1923

Northwood and Worth County citizens were pleased when word was received from Des Moines that Governor Kendall had appointed Attorney M.H. Kepler of this city judge for the 13th judicial district, of which this county is a part. That Mr. Kelper will make a good judge is a fact patent to all who are acquaintance with him.

On March 12, the date of the school election to be held in Northwood, three members of the local board of education are to be elected. The members whose terms expire are Guy C. Toye, L.F. Madson and Paul G. Thonn, the latter having been recently appointed to succeed Rev. A. Robinson.

The little birdies were singing Sunday as though spring had arrived, and the thawing temperature converted a great deal of snow into water during the day. Saturday dawned warm and fair, and the sunny side of Main Street was decorated with unoccupied men enjoying sun baths.

The Farmers Institute session which the county agent mentions in the last Farm Bureau Exchange, will be held in the basement of Silver Lake church on March 2, at 10:30 a.m. There will be premiums on seed corn, 10 ear samples, $3 for first prize, $2 for second, and $1 for third on both yellow and white corn. There will also be premiums on white and brown bread.

Simon Severson, who for a year conducted the Jefferson Cafe on Main Street, sold the fixtures to Milton Thompson and Carl Christianson, who have packed them for shipment to Bricelyn, Minnesota. The young men will carry on a restaurant business there in the building owned by Mr. Severson, and will be accompanied to the Minnesota town by Mrs. Severson and Misses Nora and Pearl Johnson, who will assist the young man in getting started.

75 years ago

February 26, 1948

Losses estimated at over $25,000 resulted early Saturday morning in a fire that totally destroyed the Merle Russell garage at 606 Central Avenue and the James McQuarrie carpenter shop just west of the garage, and gutted the two-story frame building owned by Mrs. Oscar Dahl, located on the second lot east of the garage.

Olaus H. Hove, 88, one of the pioneers of Hartland Township, where he had lived for about 85 years, died on Sunday at his farm home four miles west of Northwood.

A neighborhood husking bee was held recently at the Henry Van Osten farm west of Kensett when 21 men, with 5 teams and wagons, came to the place to finish picking Mr. Van Osten's corn. Henry has been ill in the Veterans hospital in Des Moines and unable to complete the work.

Peter Walser, well known farmer two miles southeast of Northwood, has purchased the corner lots on Central Avenue just east of the Walter Ellingson residence at 12th Street, where he plans to build a modern home next summer. The lots were bought from Miss Stella Tenold.

Truman Thoen and Raymond Thoen, brothers, are now owners of the John Deere machinery business operated here the past four years by Kittleson Bros., Wallace and Ray.

Damage suits totaling $42,577.96 have been filed against the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Co., as a result of the death of Clifford A. Lundberg and Albert L. Yaroshek when the car in which they were riding was struck by the south bound Zephyr train at the depot crossing in Northwood the evening of Jan. 10, 1948.

Twenty-one boys and girls from Worth and Cerro Gordo counties will show 708 head of sheep at the 4-H Western Lamb Show at the fairgrounds in Northwood this Friday and Saturday, Feb. 27 and 28. While the price of the lambs was considerably higher than last year, it did not cause a decrease from the 579 animals entered at last year's show. Last year there were also 21 entrants.

50 years ago

March 1, 1973

Over 200 trees have been ordered by Northwood residents in response to a house-to-house survey in connection with the tree planting program announced. Mrs. Lloyd Madson, chairman of the survey, was assisted by members of women's clubs who contacted every resident in Northwood. The trees will be planted by May 5 in cooperative efforts of various Northwood organizations.

Mark Allan, a 7 lb. 4 oz., son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Klingfuss of Northwood on February 23 at Mercy Hospital, Mason City. This is their first child. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. David Nicholson, Northwood, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Klinguss, Austin.

Northwood Cadette Girl Scouts joined girls from Manly, Lake Mills, Plymouth, Rake and Forest City in a toboggan outing at Pilot Knob State Park on February 17. The Girl Scouts stayed overnight in the Lutheran Church in Forest City and participated in entertainment and games. About 45 girls participated in the event.

Robert Reeder, Northwood, was awarded a Masonic Instruction certificate in ceremonies in Garner last week. He is only the second Masonic Instructor certified from the Northwood Lodge since its beginning in 1870. Others attending Masonic school of instruction Wednesday and Thursday were Claude Hinds and A.E. Weieneth.

The Vikings girls basketball team lost to the Britt Eagles 64-57 in the consolation game of the district tournament. The Eagles took he lead in the first quarter and went into the half with an 11 point lead, 39-28. The Vikings scored point for point with the Eagles in the third period but were unable to catch the opposition. Jane Johnson scored 30 points to lead the Vikings and Connie Burgadt led Britt scoring with 29 points. In the championship game, Ventura downed Lakota 76-37.

25 years ago

February 24, 1988

State Senator Alvin Miller, Ventura, and State Representative Dennis May, Kensett, hosted "town meetings," Saturday morning in Manly, Kensett and Northwood. The Northwood meeting, held at Rhonda's Cafe, was attended by a half dozen constituents and questions were asked or discussion held on extra license fees for pickup trucks, gas tax revenue, waste in the Department of Transportation, insurance concerns malpractice, liability and dram shop and education.

The North Central Community school board met February 10 at 7:30 in the school cafeteria with an audience of 19 staff members, three parents and a government class student. A thank you was received from the sixth grade for their ski trip. Principal Walker informed the board of a heating problem at the high school as a core had broken resulting in the loss of boiler water. The problem has been repaired. Principal Carter inform the board the the installation of the security gate at Plymouth has been completed.

Anna Larson, former Joice resident now residing at the Northwood Lutheran Retirement Home, celebrated her 98th birthday on February 20. A birthday party for her was held at the Retirement Home. Five of Mrs. Larson's six children and their spouses attended the party, including sons, Leroy of Mason City, Norman of Clear Lake, Royden of Woden and Wallace of Forest City and her daughter, Maynis Aamodt of Northwood.

The first rehearsal for the Good Friday pageant, "service of the Cross," will be held on February 28 at 8 p.m. at the North United Methodist Church.

A Presentation Workshop will be held on February 25 at 4 p.m. at the Extension Office in Northwood to help 4-H'ers who have never given presentations or those without much previous experience. Ann Walter, 4-H Program Assistant, will help 4-H'ers learn the organization of a presentation, how to pick a topic, choose visual aids and other helpful tips.

10 years ago

February 27, 2013

One of the sights in the skyline was a large plume of black smoke that originated from a farm north of Northwood. The cause was a barn fire at Maple Nook Farm, located at 1570 500th Street, that had spread quickly, consuming the building and endangering several other nearby structures. The farm is home to an Amish family, who had goats and chickens living in the barn, and likely lost some of the livestock in the fire. The Northwood Volunteer Fire Company spent much of the day battling the blaze and working to stop it from spreading. They were also assisted by the Kensett Fire Department, the Northwood Police Department, the Worth County Sheriff's office and concerned neighbors.

Nicole Streets, the driver of the Worth County conservation van that carried several young girls, has been sentenced as a result of the accident that killed two of those girls and injured four others. Streets, Mason City, an intern with Worth County Conservation, had been driving the girls to a canoe outing when the car Streets was driving was stuck by a semi while crossing Highway 9. Streets was charged with a failure to have valid license while operating a motor vehicle and failing to obey a stop sign.

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

Northwood Anchor Obituaries

Donovan Dahlby

Donovan Eugene Dahlby, 87, of Northwood, died on Thursday, February 16, 2023, at MercyOne Hospice North Iowa.

Donovan was born on June 29, 1935, in Worth County, Iowa, to Daniel Irving and Eleanor Winifred (Hanson) Dahlby. He was baptized and confirmed at Somber Church. He attended Bristol #5 grade school and graduated from Joice High School.

He spent four years in the Iowa National Guard.

Dovovan married Eileen Dralla in 1955 and to this union two children were born, Deanna Dahlby and Dale Dahlby.



DONOVAN DAHLBY

Donovan enjoyed spending many years farming in Iowa. He also enjoyed fishing, golfing and snowmobiling.

On November 8, 1997, he married Gail Ann (Orum) Timmerman. They enjoyed many winters in Mesa, Arizona, enjoying the sunshine and warmer weather.

He is survived by his wife, Gail; children, Dale Dahlby, Deanna Krull, Scott Timmerman, Troy Timmerman and Jen Brown; 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; brother, Roger; sister, Marian Iverson; and nieces, nephews and many other family members.

He is preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Allen (infancy), Richard and Chuck; and brother-in-law, Jim Iverson.

Richard 'Buck' Aarback

Richard "Buck" Dean Aarback, 87, of Kensett, Iowa, passed away surrounded by family on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center, Mason City, Iowa.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at the Elk Creek Lutheran Church, 4108 Killdeer Ave, Kensett, Iowa, with Pastor Linda Johnson Prestholt officiating. Inurnment will be held in the Elk Creek Lutheran Church Cemetery.

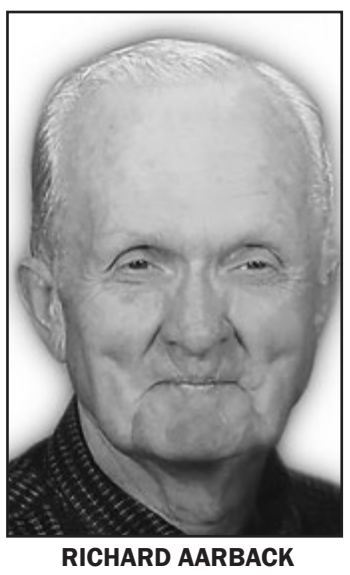
A visitation will be held one hour prior to the service from 10 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday, also at the Elk Creek Lutheran Church.

Casual attire is encouraged as Richard was a farm boy through and through.

Richard was born on July 10, 1935, the son of Milton and Olga (Backland) Aarback of rural Kensett, Iowa. He was confirmed and baptized in the Elk Creek Lutheran Church.

Following his graduation from Kensett High School, Richard served time in the United States Army from 1954 to 1956 until his honorable discharge.

In his younger years Richard helped his family with farming. Eventually



RICHARD AARBACK

he became a devoted employee of Scotsman Ice Machine, spending 36 years with them.

On June 13, 1970, Richard married Jeanette Frondal; together the couples raised two children in Albert Lea until eventually returning back to the Kensett area.

Richard was an active member of the Elk Creek Lutheran Church. His life consisted of faith, and family, of which he was very proud.

Those left to cherish memories of Richard are his wife of 52 years, Jeanette Aarback; children, Matt (Becky) Aarback of Northwood, Iowa, and Debra (Frondal) Oakland of Albert Lea, Minn.; grandchildren, Stacy (Justin Hove) Adams, Nicole (Tyler Peterson) Oakland, Derek Oakland, Krysta (Al Cornish) Swanson, Kaylen Swanson, Dan Adams, Dennis Adams, and Wade Steven; great-grandchildren, Justice (Marty) Hopperstad, Katelyn (Garrett Evertt) Steven, Liley Steven, Brynlee Boverhuis, Hailey Adams, Hannah (Gavin Bolinger) Adams, Jaxson Hove, Damien Oakland, Aries Oakland, Skylar Oakland, Brooks Oakland, Kanyon Oakland and Ajna Cornish; two great-great-grandchildren due in the summer of 2023; nephews, Danny Boettcher and Clayton Boettcher; brothers-in-law, Richard Christiansen, Bill (Sherrie) Frondal and Chuck (Ann) Frondal; sisters-in-law, Lois Frondal and Donna Frondal; and his beloved furry companion, "Ole" the cat; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Richard is preceded in death by his parents; sister, Karen (Lee) Boettcher; parents-in-law, Henry and Esther Frondal; brothers-in-law, Duane and Dale Frondal; sisters-in-law, Beverly (Roger) Korn, and Gladys Christiansen.

CFNEIA's scholarship application deadline is Wednesday, March 8

The Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa's (CFNEIA) 2023 scholarship application deadline is 8 p.m. on March 8. Students may apply for scholarships available through CFNEIA at www.cfneia.org/scholarships.

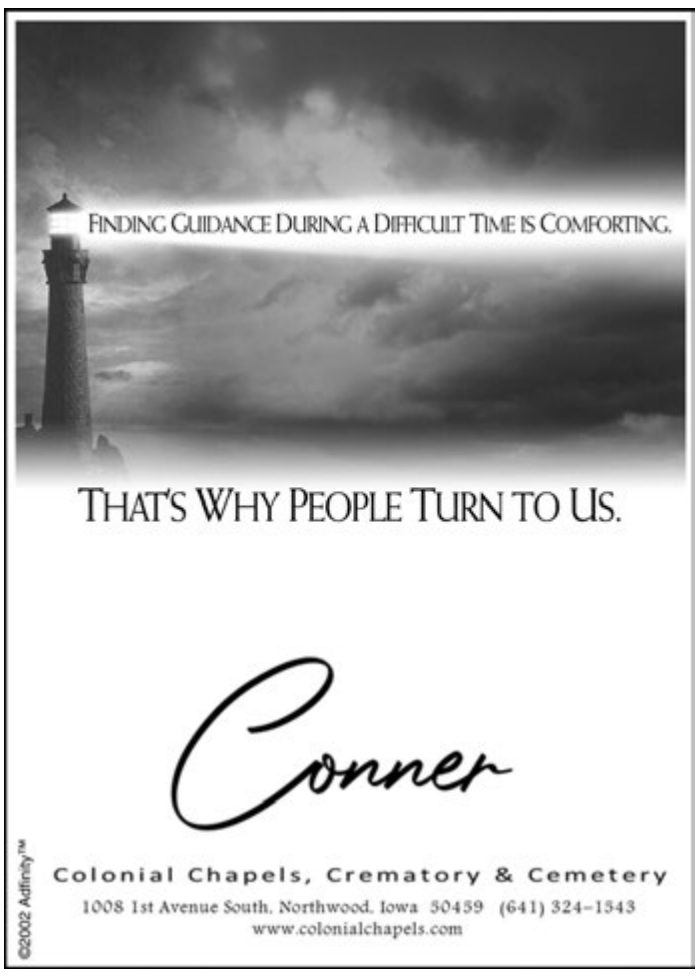
CFNEIA awarded $635,781 in scholarships to high school, college and adult students in 2022. A total of 277 scholarships were awarded to students pursuing higher education opportunities and the average amount awarded was $2,295.

Students interested in applying for 2023 scholarships should visit the CFNEIA website to view the scholarship eligibility checklist. Once scholarship eligibility is determined, a common application, also available through the CFNEIA website, must be completed. The common application requires basic student information, transcript of academic record, summary of extra-curricular experiences, an essay portion, and a letter of recommendation. Some scholarships will require additional information.

All required materials must be submitted through the online system. Students must visit the Community Foundation's website for instructions and to begin the application process. A frequently asked questions webpage is available to answer commonly asked questions any students may have. Scholarships are awarded based on various factors, including, but not limited to, academic excellence, financial need, the pursuit of certain fields or majors, past experiences, location or high school attended.

For more information about scholarship opportunities, please contact Amy Wiles, director of scholarship impact at the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa, at 319-243-1359 or awiles@cfneia.org.

More information about the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa can be found at www.cfneia.org.











N-K celebrates FCCLA Week

Members of the Northwood-Kensett chapter of FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) celebrated FCCLA Week February 13-17. The celebration began with a day to recognize FCCLA members. As a way to give back to the community, the FCCLA held a day where students could wear hats for a $2 donation to the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company. Another day had students dressing like a favorite teacher or principal. Another day had them dress like they would in their future career. The week ended with students dressed in red to support FCCLA. Besides the dress up days, a number of other activities took place. That included a breakfast for staff prepared by the FCCLA students, as seen above.

NIACC to host Spring Spotlight Campus visits

North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) will hold Spring Spotlight campus visits for prospective students that highlight different programs offered at NIACC. Each event focuses on one of the Meta Majors along with a transfer/undecided event. Students will see campus, the dedicated labs and classrooms, and meet the faculty and staff who teach the classes. Students who are unsure about their path are welcome to attend more than one spotlight event.

Spring Spotlights will be held on the following dates in the Beem Center at 9 a.m:

• March 10 – Business: Lead, Manage, Build. Develop management, leadership, customer relations and partnership building knowledge. Explore the skills needed to grow an individual's own business or develop skills required for high demand positions. This pathway is designed to help move toward transfer or employment in accounting, management, marketing or business administration.

• March 24 – Still Exploring: Transfer/Undecided: Develop, Connect, Identify. Develop skills that are essential to nearly all career pathways. Connect to the world around and the potential inside and identify new ideas and unexpected career paths. Grow as an individual and a citizen. This pathway is designed to help identify a career pathway while completing a credential.

• March 31 – Skilled Trades: Construct, Solve, Investigate. Construct houses, robots, welding projects and tool and die projects. Investigate and apply problem-solving skills in diesel and automotive courses. Solve heating and air conditioning and advanced manufacturing concerns. This pathway is designed to help move toward transfer or employment in building trades, HVAC technology, industrial mechanics and maintenance, electromechanics, advanced manufacturing and welding.

• April 14 – Education, Human and Public Services: Serve, Protect, Educate. Explore communities, relationships and cultures. Spark discussions about the inner workings of society and culture and help create positive change. This pathway is designed to help move toward transfer or employment in counseling, education, social work, community development, cultural research, human resources or police work.

• April 28 – Agriculture: Grow, Cultivate, Produce. Learn how to cultivate the land, produce livestock, and grow leadership and environmental skills. Develop critical thinking skills while operating agricultural machinery and technology. Learn the art of growing relationships and networking. Produce food, fuel and fiber. This pathway is designed to help move toward transfer or employment in agricultural marketing and finance, agricultural operations management, agricultural sales and services and agriculture technology.

Find more information and register at www.niacc.edu/visit or call the Admissions office at 641-422-4245.

Bolan

The Lenten Bible Study will begin on Tuesdays, the first date being on February 28, at the Bethel UM Church in Manly starting at 2 p.m. The study this year is "The Way: Walking in the way of Jesus" by Adam Hamilton.

N-K School

NK School
Notice of Public Hearing - Policy 605.06 Internet Appropriate Use

Northwood-Kensett Community School District will conduct a public hearing on Policy 605.06 Internet Appropriate Use at the Administration Office, Northwood-Kensett CSD, 1496 480th St., Northwood, IA on Thursday March 9, 2023 beginning at 7:00 pm local time. We are inviting public input.

Kim Hengesteg
Secretary, Board of Education

Supervisors

February 21, 2023
Eighth Day

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

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

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve today's agenda and minutes from the February 13, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve drainage claims in the amount of $13,357.50 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Bolton & Menk Inc., DD #21 West Main, Prof Services$3,547.50
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD #14, Prof Services.....$1,938.50
James Krull, DD #13, Damages.....$1,506.00
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD #2 Main, Prof Services.....$3,929.50
Bolton & Menk Inc., DD #48, Prof Services.....$2,436.00
Grand Total.....$13,357.50

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve claims in the amount of $76,843.17 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Agvantage Fs Inc
Fuel-Eng 11,942.27
Al Venz, Safety-Eng 150.00
Alliant Energy
Service-Sdp 689.92
Amazon Capital Services
Supplies-Trs 24.68
American Test Center Inc
Service-Eng 1,075.00
Aramark, Service-Eng 205.18
Bell's Fire Stop Inc
Service-Eng 685.00
Bice Electric Llc
Service-Gsr 1,335.00
Brightree Home Health & Hospice Llc, Service-Phd 3,080.91
Central Ia Detention
Service-Juj 3,565.00
Centurylink, Service-Gsr... 129.48
Culligan Of Mason City
Service-Gsr 88.60
Dave Syverson Inc
Service-Eng 6,164.06
Dick's Place Body & Tow
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Dorsey & Whitney Llp
Service-Sup 7,726.50
Drivers License Guide Company
Supplies-Shf 31.95
Fallgatter's Market Inc
Supplies-Shf 61.43
Fertile Fire Dept
Reimb-911 ..... 2,000.00
Heartland Power Coop
Service-Shf 122.49
Hotsy Equipment
Supplies-Shf 96.00
Isac, Edu-Trs 210.00
J.J. Keller & Assoc, Inc
Service-Eng 1,410.84
Jade Equipment Co. Ltd.
Parts-Eng 1,080.06
Jessica Reyerson
Reimb-Phd 50.00
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf 468.64
John Deere Financial
Supplies 119.09
Johnson Controls Fire Protection Lp, Service-Gsr 4,833.51
Joice Fire Dept
Service-911 ..... 2,000.00
Knudtson Automotive Service
Service-Eng 5,389.00
Lawson Products Inc
Supplies-Eng 265.22
Mail Services Llc
Service-Trs 308.00
Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Dap 236.47
Mark Eilertson, Edu-Eng 70.00
Mid-States Organized Crime Information Ctr, Dues-Shf. 150.00
Napa Auto Parts
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Service-Shf 1,000.00
Waste Management Of Iowa Inc
Service-Sdp 3,100.00
Whks & Co, Service-Eng.... 410.00
Worth County Engineer
Fuel-Shf 5,878.62
Ziegler Inc, Parts-Eng 195.04
Grand Total 76,843.17

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve a FY24 wage increase up to 6% for all county employees & department heads (excluding elected officials and those governed by other boards). Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby, to approve Resolution #2023-03 Worth County Approving the "0029 Citizen Convenience Center Closure Fund. Roll call: Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye; Loberg – Aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in the Auditor's Office).

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve the Addendum to Agreement for Law Enforcement for Joice for the FY24 Budget year. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone, carried to adjourn at 9:22 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Enos Loberg, Chairperson

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Legion hosts Quilt of Valor recognition for eight local veterans

A packed house of family, friends and members of the community gathered at the American Legion post in Manly on February 11 to recognize the service of eight local veterans, who received Quilts of Valor. The presentation was hosted at the Edward Tosel #110 American Legion in Manly.

Dianne Weide, representing the North Central Iowa Quilts of Valor group, introduced the history of the program and its mission to recognize and honor the service of members of the community.

The Quilts of Valor program began in 2003, when founder Catherine Roberts' son was stationed in Iraq. According to the story, shared by Wiede, Roberts had a dream of a man hunched over in despair. She next saw him wrapped in a quilt, and his demeanor changed completely. For Roberts, that showed that quilts equal healing.

And so an effort started with members of the community using their talents to create quilts, given to veterans to honor their service.

Today, according to Weide, amongst those working to carry on that mission are members of the North Central Iowa Quilts of Valor group, who prepared the quilts given on February 11. The group meets regularly and also works on the quilts from home, each taking on tasks based on their particular talents. Once completed, each quilt receives a label that includes the names of the quilters that contributed.

In 20 years, the Quilts of Valor program has given out 338,000 quilts, including 425 given out by the North Central Iowa Quilt of Valor members.

After the introduction of the program, Terry Sprung, another local Quilts of Valor organizer, introduced the veterans and shared information about their service and honors earned. As she did they stood by their patriotic quilts.

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Eight local veterans were recognized for their service with Quilts of Valor during a ceremony held on February 11. Pictured above with the quilts are (in front, from left) Byron Hoyt, Craig Walters, Thomas Teeter, Monte Hawkins, (in back) Patrick Harnack, David R. Haugen, American Legion post commander Scott Cooper, Randall C. Lutz and Tim Bacon.

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Quilt
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After their information was shared, they were draped around the shoulders with their quilts as those gathered applauded their service.

The honorees then received their folded quilts, along with information on the program, certificates of the recognition and a pillow case to take home as well. They were also encouraged to put the quilts to good use, and not leave them up for display.

Those that would like more information, to donate or to nominate a veteran, local or nationwide, can do so on the Quilts of Valor website, online at www.qovf.org.

Following is the information read by Sprung as each veteran received their quilts:

Senior Master Sergeant Tim Bacon served in the United States Air Force from 1992-2015. Tim had his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, and Air Force Technical School for F-111 avionics systems at Lowry Air Force Base, Colorado. Over his military career Tim received many courses in avionics including sub-systems, communications/ navigations systems, and bombing/navigations systems. Tim attended Airman Leadership and Air Force Technical Schooling for recruiting services. Tim received an Associate Degree in Avionics systems technology and Personnel Administration/Human Resources from the Community College of the Air Force. Tim also attended the Noncommissioned Officer and Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy. Tim was promoted seven times and assigned to multiple bases throughout six states as well as Okinawa, Japan. Tim received the Global War on Terrorism Medal, the Southwest Asia Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with two oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster, and the Meritorious Service Medal with Oak leaf cluster.

Staff Sergeant Craig Walters served in the United States Marine Corps from 1980-1995. Craig had his basic training at San Diego, California and motor transport training at Camp Pendleton, California. During his time in the Marine Corps, Craig was trained as a logistics vehicle operator, recruiter, and a motor transport operations Chief spending time at Osh Gosh, Wisconsin manufacturing plant where they were making a new heavy duty truck. From there Craig trained other Marines on heavy motor vehicle transport. Craig was assigned to Okinawa, Japan and also deployed to Korea for continued training. Craig also served in Desert Storm in 1991. Craig excelled as a marksman and served as a marksmanship instructor, winning a Bronze Medal at the Western Division matches and winning the Combat Infantry Team Trophy at the Marine Corps matches. Craig was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Southeast Asia Service Medal, the Kuwait Liberation Medal, the Sea Service deployment ribbon, the Meritorious unit Commendation with star, the Navy Unit Commendation Medal with Bronze Star, the Navy Achievement Medal and the Secretary of the Navy letter of Commendation.

Sergeant Thomas Teeter served in the United States Marine Corps from 1981-1985. Tom had his basic training at San Diego, California, and radio electronics and maintenance training at 29 Palms, California. Tom worked as a ground radio repair tech at Camp Foster Okinawa, Japan with Marine wing support group 17. Tom was also part of Operation Team Spirit from 1982-1983 in South Korea. Tom received the Good Conduct medal, the Navy Achievement Medal and after receiving Marine of the Month and Marine of the Quarter, was meritoriously promoted to Sergeant.

Specialist 5 Byron Hoyt served in the United States Army from 1967-1970. Byron had his basic training at Fort Bliss, Texas and AIT training at Fort Eustis, Virginia. Byron was training as an aircraft sheet metal repairman, then sent to Fort Hood, Texas to as part of a helicopter maintenance unit that was sent to Vietnam. While in Vietnam Byron was part of a sheet metal repair shop that maintained and fixed wrecked helicopters. Byron returned to the states and served at Fort Stewart, Georgia working on Huey's and training men to be helicopter pilots. Byron was an honor graduate for Company C 1st School Battalion at Fort Eustis, Virginia. Byron received the M-14 Sharpshooter and M-16 Expert Marksman badge, and the Vietnam Service Medal. Byron's most memorable awards included the letter of Commendation from the base Major for his outstanding work within his company, as well as two Certificates of Appreciation, one signed by President Nixon and the other by General West Morland.

Specialist 5 Patrick Harnack served in the United States Army from 1969-1971. Pat had his basic training at fort Polk, Louisiana, radio repair training at Fort Knox, Kentucky and advanced radio repair training at Fort Gordon, Georgia. Pat served as a field radio repairman with the Signal Battalion of the Infantry Division in Chu Chi, Vietnam. Pat finished his military time at Fort Gordon, Georgia continuing his work in radio repair. Harnack received a Bronze Star medal for his service.

Sergeant Monte Hawkins served in the United States Army from 1965-1968. Monte had his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri and training in Nike Hercules missiles at Fort Bliss, Texas. Monte was stationed for 18 months at Okinawa, Japan as a generator operator on a missile base. Monte then transferred to Old Bridge, New Jersey serving his final military time as a generator operator on that missile base. Monte received the Good Conduct Medal, The National Defense Service Medal, the Expert Rile and Sharpshooter badges.

Specialist 5 Randall C. Lutz served in the United States Army from 1970-1971. Randy had his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri and Infantry training at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Randy drove gun trucks (also known as "Canned Heat) with a transportation unit in Vietnam. The gun truck escorted conveys of food, ammunition and fuel to troops from Da Nang to all the bases north of the DMZ. Gun trucks were never issued by the military or authorized but were a vital part of moving supplies. Randy said he is proud to serve and would do it again. Randy received the rifle sharpshooter badge, The National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the Vietnam Service Medal.

Specialist 5 David R. Haugen serviced in the United States Army from 1968-1970. Dave had his basic training at Fort Bliss, Texas and AIT and radio operator training at Fort Org, California. Dave served in the Infantry with Charlie Company in the Mekong Delta, Vietnam. Dave was part of a platoon that saw combat action. Dave received the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with four Bronze stars, the Combat Infantry Badge, the Republic of Vietnam CIVil Actions Honor Medal First Class Unit Citation, one overseas bar, the Meritorious Unit citation, the Meritorious Unit Commendation, the republic of vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm Unit Citation, the Air Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Bronze Star.







Diane Weide, with the North Central Iowa Quilts of Valor group, introduced the program.



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