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Fair book available online

The Worth County Fair is a week away. The Worth County Fair Book is now available online for those that want to look at the publication.

The annual publication features information on fair events and activities. It was sent to homes in Worth County in May.

Besides in mailboxes throughout the county, it can also be found online at nwdanchor.com/worth-county-fair-book-2023.

NVFC barbecue Saturday

The Northwood Volunteer Fire Company will hold a drive up to-go barbecue this Saturday, June 10.

The meal includes pulled pork, beans and a salad. It is available for a free will donation.

The barbecue will be served from 4-7 p.m., or until the food is gone.

Funds raised will support fire protection and ambulance services.

The Week's WEATHER
From National Weather Service Data

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. May 30	85	55	
Wed. May 31	88	55	1.7
Thurs. June 1	88	55	0.02
Fri. June 2	77	63	0.04
Sat. June 3	87	61	0.05
Sun. June 4	88	61	
Mon. June 5	88	59	



Opening day at the pool

With hot summer weather kicking off kicking off the start of June, the Northwood Swimming Pool was a popular place last week. Pictured is the pool on opening day, June 1. Unfortunately, just two days later, the pool was empty, as a leak was found. As of press time Monday the pool reamined closed, with no date set for reopening.

Leak closes pool

Just two days after opening for the season, the Northwood Swimming Pool is closed, potentially for some time.

On Saturday, June 3, it was announced that there was a leak in the pool.

City officials say that the leak had to be found and sealed before the pool can reopen.

Top of Iowa Welcome Center celebrates 25 years of service

This past Saturday, the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Top of Iowa Welcome Center was celebrated.

The events included a program recognizing the history and accomplishments of the welcome center.

Terry Steinmetz, president of the Top of Iowa Welcome Center board, opened the program with a history of the Welcome Center's development.

As Steinmetz shared, the welcome center started with Harris Honsey on the State Board of Economic Development. While traveling Honsey noted that the state's first welcome center traveling on Interstate 35 was in Dows, 59 miles from the Minnesota border.

Honsey reached out to Steinmetz as president of the Northwood Development Corp.



JEAN STOWELL



GOVERNOR TERRY BRANSTAD

Community leaders from Northwood and Lake Mills and representing Worth and Winnebago counties began meeting to discuss the possibilities.

Worth County supervisor Bev Pangburn with support from Dorothy Hanna approved a $450,000 bond, which helped acquire a State grant for $425,000.

After Winn-Worth Betco was formed, the shared county economic development agency, and its first director, Dave Brunsvold,

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4-H and FFA Livestock Ribbon Sale held on June 19

The annual Worth County 4-H and FFA Livestock Ribbon Sale will take place on Monday, June 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Worth County Fair Livestock Show Arena at the Worth County Fairgrounds in Northwood.

The auction will be a ribbon sale only and members will be not selling their livestock.

More information and a listing of youth selling their ribbons is available by calling Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist, at 641-324-1531 or emailing djohn@iastate.edu at the Worth County Extension Office in Northwood.



NORTHOOD-KENSETT HIGH SCHOOL BAND

Worth schools honored at band festival

The North Iowa Band Festival was held on May 25-29, the 84th annual celebration. The event involved area high school bands, who marched in the parade and were eligible for recognitions later in the day.

Worth County schools were once again honored a the event.

Northwood-Kensett High School continued its streak as being the top band in class 1A in the parade for the 10th year in a row.

Central Springs High School received the newest Band Festival honor, with the Spirit of Meredith Wilson Award. The award is named for the Mason City native who wrote "The Music Man."

The award is given to a school for exemplifying great enthusiasm, devotion and honor.

Highway enthusiasts to be in area this weekend

The Jefferson Highway Association's annual conference will be held June 7- 10, 2023, in Mason City.

Named in honor of President Thomas Jefferson, the Jefferson Highway is one of America's earliest automobile highways. The historic north-south U.S. border-to-border route runs over 2,300 miles from Winnipeg to New Orleans. Because the historic route ranged over many variations of climate and scenery, the highway was promoted as the "Vacation Route of America" and also as the "Pine to Palm Highway."

Designated an Iowa Heritage Byway in 2016, Iowa became the first state to get the Jefferson Highway route fully marked with roadside signage throughout the entire state. The byway runs between Northwood and Lamoni, roughly along U.S. Highways 65 and 69.

Plans to host the 2020 annual conference in Mason City were derailed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Two opportunities are available for the general public to connect with JHA members while in Mason City to learn more about the Jefferson Highway Heritage Byway.

After two days of travel along the Historic Jefferson

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TERRY STEINMETZ



STEPHANIE NEPPLE



ANN VOGELBACHER



STEVE MCMENAMIN



The Our Buddies Memorial VFW Post 6779 Color Guard opened Saturday's program at the Welcome Center.



MERLIN BARTZ

Highway 65 Garage Sales this weekend

The Highway 65 Garage Sales will take place this Friday and Saturday, June 9-10.

Those living in communities along Highway 65, from Glenville to Manly will hold garage sales this weekend.

Communities included in the garage sale weekend include Glenville and Gordonsville in Minnesota and Northwood, Kensett and Manly in Iowa.

The event includes garage sales along the route, along with other vendors, groups and events held in conjunction.

More information is available on the Hwy 65 Garage Sales Facebook page.

Several of those holding sales are also listed in the classified section of this week's Northwood Anchor, which can be found on page 11.

Highway
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Highway, the caravan is expected to reach East Park on Wednesday, June 7, around 3:30 p.m. The community is invited to meet at the Bandshell and help extend a warm welcome.

A special Community Day with the JHA will be held this Saturday, June 10, at the Kinney Pioneer Museum. JHA members from each state along the historic route will be present. A flag ceremony will begin shortly after 10 a.m. Attendees can learn more about the JHA and Mason City's role in establishing the original Jefferson Highway within the Museum. Exhibits will include the Colby Car, Hugh Shepard Scrapbook, Dillinger Gang Bank Robbery, and more.

Besides the public gatherings, a tour of nearby highway sites will take place tomorrow, June 8. That will include time spent in Northwood, with Swensrud Park and the Hotel Winifred, both notable historic highway destinations.

More information about the Jefferson Highway and the JHA is available online at www.jeffersonhighway.org.

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became a key part of the Welcome Center project.

As a first and only such public-private partnership, the effort gained attention and support.

As its development continued, Jean Stowell was hired as the first manager and she has continued in the role as director.

After several years of the combined efforts of neighboring communities, the Top of Iowa Welcome Center opened in June 1998.

Stowell manages the Welcome Center and Barn Boutique staff and operations today, advocating for North Iowa and the state as a whole.

In 25 years it is estimated that the Top of Iowa Welcome Center has registered 1,962,300 names in its guest book.

Steinmetz acknowledged past board members Honsey, Karen Belville, Bev Pangburn, Einer Lunde, Neil Foell and Eileen Dahlby.

Original and current board members include Steinmetz, Jerry Brunsvold, Doug Fallgatter, Sheila Davis and Mike Holstad. Other current board members include Kim Hengesteg, Addie Rugland and Doug Helgeland.

After sharing the history of the Welcome Center, Steinmetz introduced the first speaker of the program, former Iowa governor and ambassador to China Terry Branstad.

Branstad shared information about his service as governor and ambassador. In reference to China, Branstad said he disagrees with the government, but not the people. He said they are a good people that live in fear of the invasions of privacy and control of media access. Branstad said people are lucky to live in America.

Branstad also talked about his role as president of the World Food Prize Foundation, which extends the work of Norman Borlaug by increasing the quality, quantity and availability of food in the world.

Branstad said that he was honored to support and to have been there when the Welcome Center opened and be back to celebrate it 25 years later.

Next, Steve McMenamin, Iowa Department of Transportation Rest Area Administrator, talked about challenges and successes in making the Top of Iowa a reality.

McMenamin also noted that following recent changes, the Top of Iowa is now the only staffed welcome center in the state.

He also said it remains one of the most popular in the state.

McMenamin said that he is pround to have played a part in its development and those that make it work today should also be proud.

Merlin Bartz, who served in the Iowa Senate when the welcome center was in the works, talked about the Welcome Center's role as an introduction to the state.

Bartz also noted the role that the Top of Iowa Welcome Center has played in economic development for the area.

Bartz talked about how there were detractors but local leaders pushed for and made the project happen and become what it is today.

He said that at the time it was a gamble, but one that has paid off with 25 years of service to visitors to Iowa and to the communities that supported it.

Bartz said that the Top of Iowa showed the art of the possible and recognized the multitude of people that played their part.

Central Iowa Tourism Executive Director Ann Vogelbacher noted the Top of Iowa as the front door to the Iowa recreation experience. She commented that the center's influence on tourism as welcoming and encouraging visitors to spend time in the state.

Vogelbacher noted Welcome Center director Jean Stowell as a respected leader and mentor amongst Iowa tourism professionals.

Iowa Tourism Office representative Stephanie Nepple, visiting the welcome center for the first time, noted the welcoming space and the welcoming people that staff it.

She noted tourism as a key part of the Iowa economy and how places like the Top of Iowa Welcome Center raise Iowa's profile as a destination.

Nepple encouraged Iowans to play a part in efforts to bring people to Iowa and be ambassadors for Iowa.

The program ended with Stowell mentioning and thanking all those that played a part in forming the Welcome Center and those that continue to support it today.





Wohelos lend a helping hand

On Wednesday, May 31 the Deer Creek Wohelo 4-H club did a community service project at Hotel Winifred helping weed, rake and clean up the landscaping. In the group photo the girls are (front row, from left) Piper Brunsvold, Olivia Urbatsch, (middle row) Amaya Rugland, Aleah Neeley, Kennedy Schoon, (back row) Rylee Schoon, Brianna Perkins, Kenly Solberg and Ivy Urbatsch.



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From D.C. to Kensett, Hinson visits Moretz family farm

One of Iowa's U.S. Representatives, Ashley Hinson, paid a visit to the Moretz family farm in Worth County last week, to learn more about their operation and to discuss issues facing local farmers.

Hinson visited the home and farm of Nathan and Melissa Moretz, located northwest of Kensett. The Moretz family raise hogs, cattle and crops as part of their family farming operations.

The visit started with thanks from Melissa for Hinson's support of biofuels, especially considering dipping corn prices.

As they made their way to the hog production facilities on the farm, Melissa talked about their families' history in the ag industry, both growing up on area farms in Mitchell and Worth counties.

Melissa shared information about their start in hog production in 2017, the opposition they faced initially and their efforts to answer questions and concerns by inviting people to their farm to look at the operation in person.

Melissa said the process began her involvement in advocacy for the ag industry and for young farmers like her and Nathan.

Melissa mentioned several challenges presented by current government approaches and programs, and ways to support Iowa's young, smaller scale farmers.

That included asking for CRP rental rates being capped or being tied more closely to rental rates at the county level. Melissa said that doing so would remove one stumbling block making it more difficult for younger farmers to expand their operations.

In terms of crop insurance programs, Melissa said that rates should not be tied to the type of operations, such as till or no till, which encourages certain practices over others and may not account for variables like soil type.









Also mentioned was a Supreme Court ruling that upheld a California law that prohibits the sale of pork in that state that comes from producers that use certain types of facilities for pregnant pigs. The prohibited methods are largely standard practice in pork production.

Melissa said that for small scale producers like her family, that cuts off a huge market while likely being prohibitively expensive to accommodate. She noted larger companies may be able to adapt, but many families may be negatively impacted.

Hinson said that the law would also have a bigger impact on the California grocers finding approved pork resources, and the consumers that buy from them, not only in that state, creating volatility in what has been a stable food source.

In discussing their family's cow/calf operation, the Moretz family history, dating back to at least Nathan's grandfather was mentioned.

Melissa, who also works at First Citizens Bank, also talked about her experience working with others trying to find farm financing through lending programs.

Melissa noted that the biggest struggle for young families trying to enter or stay in the business is the time it takes and the difficulty finding the labor to make it work.

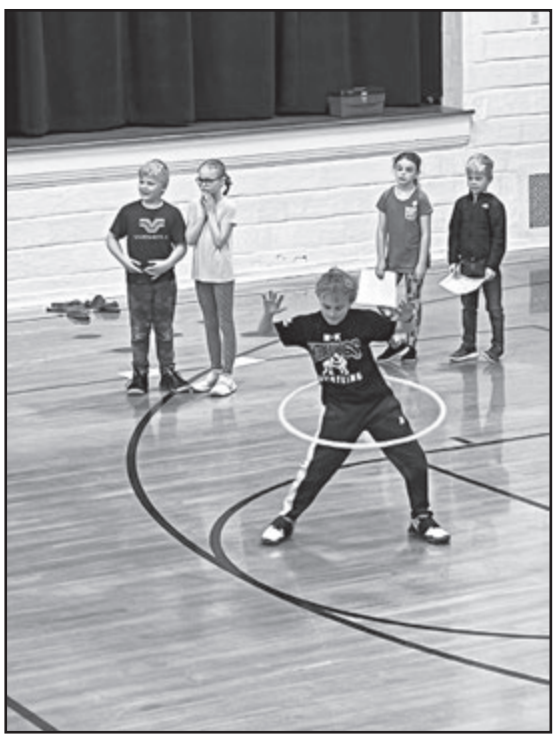
Hinson mentioned options in discussion like work visa programs and ways to offer immigrants legal options while keeping borders secure.

Hinson also mentioned hopes that the work requirements for food assistance that were upped as a part of the debt ceiling agreements approved last week would have an impact as well.

Mentioned was a desire to have more federal workers working in person in offices, and to have government agencies fully staffed to work with the public on programs like those provided through the USDA.

Besides the specifics of the farm, the North Iowa Ag in the Classroom program, which Melissa has been a part of, was also celebrated as Hinson was informed of the efforts to educate area students in the ag industry around them. That includes next week's Worth County Fair, and the Kiddie Barn, with the opportunity to meet and learn from farmers in person.

As Hinson prepared to move on to her next stop for the day, she thanked the Moretzes for the tour and the information shared on the visit. She said it helps her as she meets with people that don't understand the impacts of programs and legislation may have on small farmers.









Counting on character

Throughout the school year students at celebrated positive character traits and behavior. They were rewarded as they learned about and displayed those traits, with students taking part in monthly assembblies that included games and events. One of the last assemblies included a chance to show of their hula hooping skills.

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Hardy graduates from Morningside University

On Saturday, May 13, 200 undergraduate students and 247 graduate students graduated from Morningside University at the commencement ceremony held at Elwood Olsen Stadium on Morningside's campus.

Morningside awards general honors based on undergraduate work completed at the university and according to the grade point averages (GPAs). General honors are designated as follows:

The May and summer 2023 graduates included Jena Hardy, MAT, of Hanlontown, Iowa.

NIACC announces Spring 2023 President's and Dean's lists

North Iowa Area Community College has announced that 843 individuals have been named to the 2023 Spring Term President's List and Dean's List. These students represent 93 Iowa communities, 15 states outside the state of Iowa and 16 countries outside of the United States.

Students who complete a minimum of six semester hours and earn a 3.25-3.49 term grade point average in an academic semester will be honored by being named to the Dean's List.

Local students on the Dean's List include Jason Hanson, Brandon Magritz, Tyler Mills, Jacob Springer, William Tindall, Sydney Welch of Northwood; Brynne Vaught of Albert Lea, Minn. and Madison Berry of Glenville, Minn.

Students who complete a minimum of six semester hours and earn a 3.5-4.0 term grade point average in an academic semester will be honored by being named to the President's List.

Local students on the list include Trystan Bistline, Carissa Blake, Emma Hicken and Addison Tabbert of Grafton; Julia Anderson of Hanlontown; Jadyn Beland, Natalya Griffin, Ryder Lestrud and Emma Logeman of Kensett; Rachel Ballance, Jana Crimmings, Jessica Jordal, Jonathon Kreamer, Austin Lloyd, Colton O'Hern, Rodolfo Riojas and Carly Ryan of Manly; Kaid Bruce, Kennedy Christianson, Marisa Halbach, Madalynn Hanson, Carly Hengesteg, Emma Hengesteg, Teagan Johnson, Pete Kelly, Josiah Kliment, Ella Leonard, Jessica Newell, Brandon Severson, Peyton Shoger, Dylan Tews, Mason Thofson, Benjamin Tindall, Peyton Wilder and Chad Wurtzel of Northwood.

Green Thumb Garden Club meets on May 22

The Green Thumb Garden Club met on May 22 at the home of Jean VanVeldhuisen with 11 members present.

Our old business included handing out the 2024 calendars, a reminder of National Garden Club week starting on June 4 when we deliver arrangements to local businesses, ideas and possible tweaks to the flower arranging workshop that was held this spring, potential new members, and continued sign-up for the flower show coming up at the Worth County Fair.

Our new business was a discussion of the state meeting at Reiman's Gardens, June 21-22. There are still categories open for us to enter designs, and we are encouraged to give it a try!

The meeting was adjourned and the program was given by Jean V. who shared pictures of the wildlife prairie they have at their place. Along with many species of plants, some of the animals they enjoy are eagles, swans, geese, ducks, turkeys, killdeer, and coyotes.



Northwood-Kensett boys track banquet

The N-K 4x800 relay team was presented with State Participation Certificates at the boys track banquet that was held on Monday, May 29. Pictured are (from left) Kooper Julseth, Treycen Rollene, Dalton Logeman, Lamonte Sims. (photo provided by Amber Julseth)



Award winners included Newcomer of the year Dagen Peterson, MVP Treycen Rollene and Most Improved Dalton Logeman. (photo provided by Amber Julseth)

Pee wee hog, lamb, goat and bucket bottle calf shows scheduled for the Worth County Fair

The Worth County Fair has scheduled four opportunities for up and coming exhibitors in the Worth County Fair cattle, swine, sheep and goat shows. There will be a Pee Wee Swine Show offered to prospective exhibitors on Friday, June 16, at around noon at the conclusion of classes being judged.

All young exhibitors will need to be accompanied by an intermediate or older 4-H member or parent as they show their pig. All those wanting to exhibit are asked to check in at the swine announcers stand by 10:30 a.m. to get signed up the day of the show.

There will again be a Bucket/Bottle Calf Show on Saturday, June 17, immediately following the 4-H Beef Show at approximately 11 a.m. Those wanting to participate in the Bucket/Bottle Calf Show can be ready at around 11 a.m. with their entry near the end of the beef show.

Future sheep and goat exhibitors will again have the opportunity to participate in the Pee Wee Lamb and Goat Shows on Sunday, June 18. 4-H Sheep and Goat Show Pee Wee exhibitors can have their lambs and goats ready at ringside.

More information about the shows is available by calling the Extension Office at 641-324-1531.

Bolan

Kelsie Willert of Des Moines gave the Memorial Day Address at the Grafton Cemetery on May 29. The Tabbert Hollatz American Legion Post #616, led by Post Commander, Philip Hackbart, had charge of the Service. Colors were advanced by the American Legion Honor Guard. Mark Borchardt gave scripture and prayer. Special music was provided by Sheila Lundon of Mason City. The St. Ansgar Middle School Band also took part.

The Mt. Vernon Marching Mustangs, 113 members, were honored to be in the Memorial Day Parade in Washington, D.C. Both Ben and Clare Nydegger took part in this very special event; Ben, in the drumline and Clare, as one of the drum majorettes. Renee was able to go along as a chaperone. They did a tremendous amount of site seeing while there. What a great opportunity!

On Friday evening Joe and Linda Nydegger joined other relatives and friends of Nick Severson, the son of Dan Severson, at his graduation party held at the Lakeside Center in Ankeny. Nick graduated from Ankeny Centennial High School on Sunday. He will be attending Iowa Central Community College in Ft. Dodge where he will also continue to play baseball.

Joe and Linda Nydegger drove to Mankato West High School on Saturday to attend the Track and Field Section Meet. Evelyn Nydegger, daughter of Larry & Michele, is on the NRHEG Team. She qualified to go to State in the 100m hurdles with a time of 16.75 and the 300m hurdles with a time of 48.60. The State Meet will be held at Michael-Albertville High School in St. Michael, Minnesota, this coming weekend. Her brother, Daniel, who is employed in Denison, Iowa, drove up to attend the Meet.

Vacation Bible School will start in Bolan on June 19-23 from 9 a.m. – Noon. The theme being "STELLAR, Shine Jesus's Light!" Please contact one of the United Methodist churches in Manly, Northwood, Plymouth, Rock Falls, Rudd, Nora Springs or the Lutheran Church in Manly or Hanlontown for registration forms and information, or call Lori Willert at 641-903-9472 or check out www.bethel-trinity.com.

Iowa State University Extension
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Calendar of Events for June 2023

June 7–4-H YQCA Livestock Quality Assurance Training at Worth County Extension Community Room, 11 A.M. with Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist
June 8–Worth County Fair Board Work Night at Worth County Fairgrounds, Northwood, Fair Prep Work 6 P.M. with Dennis Johnson
June 10–Worth County Fair 4-H Non-Livestock Judging at Worth County Fairgrounds 4-H Exhibit Building, Northwood, 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. with Kimberly Bode, Worth County 4-H County Youth Coordinator and Lacey Waller Worth County Extension Clover Kids Coordinator/Office Manager
June 11–Worth County 4-H Dog Obedience Class at Worth County Fair 4-H Sheep Barn, 5:30 P.M. with Kimberly Bode, Worth County Extension 4-H Youth Leader and Lori Meier, 4-H Dog Project Leader
June 14–Worth County 4-H Pet Show and Dog Obedience Shows at 4-H Sheep Barn and Show Arena Worth County Fairgrounds, Northwood, 10 A.M. (Dogs) 1:30 P.M. (Pets) with Dennis Johnson
June 14–Worth County Fair 4-H Horse Show (Halter & Pleasure Classes) at Worth County Fair Horse Arena, 1:30 P.M. with Pat Rothove and Val Foss 4-H Leaders and Dennis Johnson
June 15–Worth County Fair Livestock Entry Day at Worth County Fairgrounds, Northwood, 8 A.M. to Noon with Dennis Johnson
June 15–Worth County Fair Youth Tractor Driving Contest at Worth County Fair North Quonset Building, 3 P.M. with Worth County Farm Bureau Board Members
June 15–Worth County Fair 4-H Rabbit Show at Worth County Fair Rabbit Barn, 4 P.M. with Dennis Johnson
June 16–Worth County Fair 4-H and FFA Swine Show at Livestock Show Arena, Worth County Fairgrounds, 9 A.M. with Curt Schaub, Michael Schaub, Brian Nelson, Tom Clagett, Raevyn Knudtson, Maeghan Petznick, Paige McClure, Chris Chodur
June 16–Worth County 4-H Educational Presentations and Extemporaneous Speaking at Worth County Extension Office, Northwood, 10 A.M. to Noon with Kimberly Bode
June 16–Worth County Fair 4-H Horse Show (Games) at Worth County Fair Horse Arena, 1:30 P.M. with Pat Rothove, Val Foss, Horse Superintendents
June 16–Worth County Fair 4-H Poultry Show at Worth County Fair 4-H Poultry Barn, 4 P.M. with Mark Petersen Family & Dennis Johnson
June 16–Worth County Fair 4-H Working Exhibits at Worth County 4-H Exhibit Building, 6 P.M Staff: Lacey Waller and Kimberly Bode
June 17–Worth County Fair 4-H Beef Show at Worth County Fair Livestock Show Arena, 9 A.M. with Kevin Braun & Jayson Olson, Superintendents and Dennis Johnson
June 17–Worth County Fair Bucket/Bottle Calf Show at Worth County Fair Livestock Show Arena, Immediately Following the 4-H Beef Show around 11 A.M. with 4-H Beef Team and Dennis Johnson
June 17–Worth County 4-H Dairy Show at Worth County Fair Livestock Show Arena, 2 P.M. with Medlang Family and Dennis Johnson
June 17–Worth County 4-H Clothing Selection & Fashion Review at Worth County Fair Shelter House, 6 P.M. with Kimberly Bode and Cecelia Hill, 4-H Summer Program Assistant, Lacey Waller and Paige DeArmoun Worth County Extension Office Managers
June 18–Worth County 4-H Livestock Barn Interviews at Worth County Livestock Show Arena, 11 A.M. with Dennis Johnson
June 18–Worth County 4-H Goat and Lamb Shows at Worth County Fair Livestock Show Arena, 1 P.M. with Theresa Butler, Steve Butler, Mike Urbatsch, Brian Waller, Nathanial Julseth, Lauren Welty, Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension
June 18–State 4-H Conference Orientation Meeting at Worth County Fair Livestock Show Arena, Northwood, 7:30 P.M. with Dennis Johnson & Kimberly Bode
June 18–Worth County Fair 4-H Dance at Worth County Fair Shelterhouse, 8 to 10 P.M. with Kimberly Bode, and Dennis Johnson
June 19–Worth County Fair Livestock Ribbon Auction at Worth County Fair Livestock Show Arena, 6:30 P.M. with Dennis Johnson
June 21–ISU Extension Nashua Research Farm Field Day at Nashua, Iowa, 1 to 4 P.M. with Dennis Johnson,
June 22–Worth County 4-H Explore Iowa Trip at Dairy Research Farm, Calmar / Fish Hatchery, Decorah and Caves of Harmony, All Day with Kimberly Bode and Dennis Johnson
June 27-29–State 4-H Conference at Iowa State University Campus, Ames with Kimberly Bode, Worth County 4-H Youth Coordinator and Dennis Johnson

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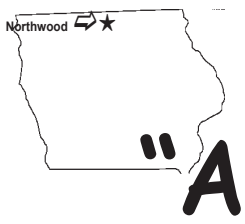
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Northwood - "A Friendly Town"

Relay For Life of Worth County 2023



The Relay began with a few rounds of bingo.



Pastor Becky Sogge of First Lutheran Church in Northwood opened the Relay with a prayer.

The Worth County Cattlemen once again provided burgers for those enjoying the meal at the Relay.



The auction included items like this quilt, and many more, donated to the Relay. Richard Bauer was the auctioneer for the day.



Members of the Team Adams Family posed in the photo booth they set up at the event.



Bryn Smalley is pictured, just one of the young people that received some heroic attire, reflecting the spirit of the event and the support of the heroes that have fought cancer and those that have supported them.



Kids had the chance to toss darts and balls in buckets, as well as other games for prizes.



Relay organizer Tracy McCoy surprised her mother Annette Olesen, with a shirt showing her support.



Team Adams Family are pictured above helping to serve the Relay meal. They are pictured below, working to send a lantern aloft at the end of the Relay events.



Luminaries lined shelves along the walls of the fairgrounds flower hall, decorated by elementary students and carrying messages honoring those lost to cancer, survivors and those battling the disease.





Members of the Tweeten family, including young survivor Rachel, were happy to see their lantern float away.





Reps takes quilting from comforting hobby to way of life

By JoAnn Lower

"Quilting is something I never thought I would do," says National Quilting Award winner, Kyra Reps.

After 20 years of owning a hair salon, this divorced mom of four small children decided to go back to school for horticulture. Destiny, however, took her in a different direction.

This story begins when Kyra's son was hospitalized after being diagnosed with leukemia. To pass the time at his bedside, she started hand sewing. When little Cole was diagnosed cancer-free, a friend called asking Kyra to finish a quilt for her.

"I finished the quilt, 'Moonglow,' on my regular sewing machine. It turned out wonderful and she loved it. After that another gal saw my work and asked me to make one for her. In 2016 I started quilting for other people, and it has grown since then.

"I wanted a longarm machine but had no idea how they worked and couldn't afford one, until one day I was able to buy one from a gentleman I met. I brought it home in a thousand pieces and started playing around on it, using every color thread.

"After my first quilt show in 2017, I started to show my quilts at county fairs – Winnebago, Worth and Freeborn – and winning grand champion in all of them. From there I went national and international, competing against people from all over the world. As I watched the judges looking at everything, even the stitches, I realized my longarm machine wasn't giving me the stitches I wanted."

Kyra now quilts free-motion on her noncomputerized Innova. She teaches nationally for guilds, gives lectures and holds classes but does not teach longarm.

As an ambassador for Apliquick, Reps flies all over the U.S. teaching Turned-Edge. Most of her classes are Mandala (Sanskrit word meaning sacred circle); most of her show quilts are Mandalas.

Kyra won first place in her category, Large Quilt Moveable Machine. Quilted on a longarm, noncomputerized machine, the entire top is handsewn with turned-edge applique.

"I love dots and what you can do with dots," she said. "I'm the dot queen. Dots are fun and, turned into a Mandala, even more fun. I teach dot painting, which is very therapeutic. When people begin to do dots, they soon realize a release of tension throughout their body."

"I took my first Mandala dot quilt, 'Serendipity,' to my first quilt show six years ago. Second was my 'Aurora.' Both quilts have been featured on the cover of top quilting magazines and calendars. When guilds fly me in to do lectures, I bring these two quilts with me."

A couple of years ago, Kyra and her husband Cory, a Senior Lead at Winnebago, built an addition for Kyra's studio on the back of their old farmhouse.

The couple has five children, ages 28, 25, 21, 19 and 11. Austin is in Rochester, Aspen in Florida, Cole (in his ninth year of being cancer-free) is in Maine studying marine biology. Daughter Tayler is in Winona and Logan will go into fifth grade next year.



KYRA REPS

Kyra and Cory have eight acres of gardens all over their property, and they also love to camp. They are permanent campers at Happy Time.

On June 15-17 Kyra will take her quilt, "Pathfinder," to the St. Cloud, Minnesota, quilt show where she will be a vendor. After that she'll be lecturing in Hot Springs, Arkansas, followed by vending at a show in Faribault, Minnesota.

She will then attend the largest show of the year, the International Quilt Show, in Houston, Texas. This will be her third year of teaching at the show that attracts 40,000-50,000 people. Next on her busy schedule is teaching six classes for the Road to California Show in January and afterward she'll lecture and teach two classes in Melbourne, Florida.

Closer to home, on July 20-23, Kyra will be teaching two classes at a quilt retreat in Lake Mills at the 1916 House. To attend just sign up on her website, "Quilting Tranquility," under retreats. Deadline is June 20.

Asked if she has a favorite quilt, Kyra said it was the one she made for a cancer benefit called The Fools Five Race; that year's benefit in honor of her son Cole. The quilts sell for $2,500 – $3,000, the money going to people fighting cancer.

"My quilt, 'Finding Your Happy Place,' with 12 cancer butterflies, is a memory of me standing at my hospital window – a memory of all of us camping in Montana. My husband bought the quilt so I could keep it. It's my favorite because it's my memory."

Not only does this lovely lady with a fascination for fabrics make exquisite quilts, with every new quilt she makes a dress.

"If you love your job, you never work a day in your life. I have way too much fun in my life."



Bolan hosts VBS June 19-23

The community of Bolan will host its annual Vacation Bible School events June 19-23. Young people from throughout the area are invited to take part in the activities, or to help out during the week.

The theme for this year's VBS is "STELLAR, Shine Jesus' Light."

The VBS activities are held from 9 a.m. to noon each day, along with a free-will supper and program that will be held on Friday, June 23, 6 p.m.

There is no cost for the VBS activities, but those taking part are asked to register to make sure there are enough supplies, materials and food, plus crews in place. Transportation can also be made available, by contacting participating churches or organizer Lori Willert.

To be a part of all the STELLAR fun, contact a United Methodist Church in Bolan, Manly, Northwood, Plymouth, Rock Falls, Rudd, Nora Springs or a Lutheran Church in Manly or Hanlontown for registration forms and information, or call Lori Willert at 641-903-9472, email at lwillert@wctatel.net or visit www.bolaniowa.com.

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Peace Lutheran Church, Northwood
Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion at 9 a.m., Adult Bible Study and Children's Sunday School following service. No Sunday School for June, July & August.
Rev. Barbara M. Wills, Pastor

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www.sacredheartmanly.org

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The Insufficiency of the Individual



As individuals, our abilities are rather limited, but with the help of others, including God, we can indeed achieve great things. Every athlete needs a coach, every student a teacher, and every apprentice needs a master. On a larger, social scale, think of how much we owe to our families, and to society at large. None of us would be here without the help and nurturance of our parents. No human infant could survive without the aid of others. As we grow up, we tend to forget the myriad ways we rely on our families and society for our growth and development. Think of all the people who have to work together to get food onto our table, or the ways in which scholars and scientists build on work from the past to construct the great edifice of knowledge. For instance, interplanetary space travel would not be possible without the cooperation of vast numbers of people, all working together while building on the work of the past. Isaac Newton remarked, in a letter to Robert Hooke, "If I have seen further it is by standing on the shoulders of giants." Who are the giants whose shoulders we stand on? We should choose our teachers wisely, and remember that God is the ultimate teacher and source of our being, without whom, we would not even exist.

A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for a disciple that he be like his teacher, and a servant like his master. – New K.J.V. Matthew 10:24-25

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Cook Bookin'

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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

Oh, pasta, beautiful pasta! That blank canvas that we can paint with so many flavors, textures and colors that it's hard to run out of ideas. A wonderful cookbook titled simply Pasta (1993, Meredith Corp, Des Moines) is one of the Cooking for Today series by Better Homes and Gardens. It's not the largest Italian book in my collection but it has many unique recipes that allow it to stand out in the crowd. The following have been adapted for your cooking pleasure.

Fusilli ala Tomato and Cream Sauce

NOTE: Fusilli is the long, curly pasta with strands that catch the sauce in their "curves"

3/4 pound lean ground beef
1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
1 large yellow onion, chopped
1/8 teaspoon black pepper
2 cloves fresh garlic, minced
8 oz. dried fusilli
2 cans (14 oz.) each Italian tomatoes
1/2 cup heavy whipping cream
1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
2 tablespoons snipped parsley
1/2 teaspoon sugar

In a large heavy saucepan, sauté the onion and garlic in a small amount of olive oil for about 5 minutes. Crumble the beef into small pieces and add to the pan. Sauté until the meat is browned through; drain any excess oil or grease. Cruse the tomatoes with your hands and add them, along with their juice, to the pan along with the Italian seasoning, sugar, salt and pepper. Lower the heat and simmer this sauce, uncovered, for 40 minutes or until most of the liquid has evaporated. Stir occasionally to avoid sticking. While the sauce is simmering, cook the pasta in a large pot of salted, boiling water for about 15 minutes or until al dente (cooked but still firm; not mushy). Drain the pasta and keep it warm. Back to the saucepan, gradually stir in the whipping cream. Heat thoroughly, stirring constantly. Add the parsley. Serve the sauce over the cooked pasta in either individual portions or on a large platter. Serve freshly grated Parmesan alongside if desired.

Bow Tie Pasta, Sausage and Peppers

NOTE: A nice pasta dish with NO tomato sauce

12 oz. Italian sausage, hot or mild
1 cup sliced fresh mushrooms
6 oz. dried bow tie pasta
2/3 cup chicken broth
1/2 cup chopped yellow onion
1 teaspoon dried basil, crushed
2 cloves fresh garlic, minced
2 teaspoons cornstarch
1 large green bell pepper
1 large ripe tomato, chopped
1 large red bell pepper

Cook the pasta in a large pot of boiling salted water until al dente. Drain and keep warm. Seed each of the bell peppers and cut them into 1-inch pieces. Cut the sausage into 1/2-inch pieces. In a large heavy skillet, cook the sausage, onion and garlic for about 5 minutes. Add the two peppers and the mushrooms and cook until the sausage is browned and the peppers/mushrooms are tender but not mushy. Combine the chicken broth, basil and cornstarch in a small bowl, whisking so there are no lumps. Add to the sausage mixture and cook until somewhat thickened and bubbly. Stir in the chopped tomato and heat through. Pour this sausage mixture over the pasta in a large bowl and toss to coat the bow ties. Makes 4 servings.

Chicken Manicotti with Chive Cream Sauce

12 packaged, dried manicotti shells
1 container (8 oz.) soft-style cream cheese with chive and onion
2/3 cup whole milk
1/4 cup freshly grated Parmesan (not the green can!)
2 cups cooked and chopped chicken (you can use canned)
1 package (10 oz.) frozen chopped broccoli, thawed and drained
1 jar (4 oz.) roasted sweet red peppers, sliced OR chopped pimiento
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Cook the manicotti shells in a large pot of salted boiling water until they are about 3/4 cooked. Carefully drain them and rinse with cold water; set aside. In a small heavy saucepan, melt the cream cheese over medium-low heat, stirring constantly so it doesn't burn. Slowly add the milk, stirring until smooth. Stir in the grated Parmesan until melted and remove from the heat. Pat the chopped broccoli dry in a kitchen towel. Chop up any larger pieces. In a medium mixing bowl, stir together 1/4 cup of the sauce you just created with the chicken, broccoli, red pepper or pimiento and black pepper. Using a small spoon, carefully fill each pasta shell with about 1/3 cup of the filling. Since they are partially cooked, they should be easy to handle. Arrange the filled shells in a large rectangular baking dish that has been sprayed with cooking spray. Pour the remaining sauce over the pasta shells and sprinkle with some paprika for color. Cover with foil. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees and bake the manicotti for 25-30 minutes or until cooked through when tested with a knife. Makes 6 servings of two shells each.

When you say "pasta" to many people, they imagine spaghetti and meatballs. Nothing could be further from the truth as these recipes prove. I was raised on pasta and it remains one of my favorite all-time comfort foods in all its forms. And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society



A hollow hazard removed

Pictured is Beland Tree Service, at work removing two large pine trees that had been in place along Central Avenue. Unfortunately the trees had become hollow and presented a potential risk to nearby homes or main street traffic.

Northwood Public Library

By Emily Tufte
Library Director

Yay! It's finally Summer! And boy oh boy do we have plans for Summer. But first, I'd like to give a huge thank you to everyone at the Worth County Development Authority for the grant for our new bay window bench seat in the kid's area. It is finished and it is amazing! Thank you to Trenhaile Construction for the great work you put into it!

The Summer Reading Program is ready for Summer! Our official Kick-Off Party is on Tuesday, June 6, from 2-5 p.m. Stop in to sign up your kids! We've got all the materials you'll need, a free book and a free popsicle to help kick off Summer. You can also sign up kids any day afterwards. Story Times will be on Fridays at 10 a.m., these are for kids of all ages. Activity Tuesdays start on June 13 and these are geared more towards kids 8+. We have the ISU Insect Zoo coming to us once again, plan for that on June 27 from 5-6 p.m. A big thanks goes out to some of our Northwood area businesses that donated to the library's Summer Reading Program. In addition to last month's donators we had a donation from Tequilas! Thank you for caring about Northwood's kids and the Northwood Public Library's 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 just stop in and see us! You can also find more information about the Summer Reading Program by finding our group on Facebook, here is the link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/278686796498248

Thank you to Sherrie Hansen for coming in May to speak to us about your adventures and your writing! We enjoyed it very much and can't wait for your next book! Also, thank you to Teresa Stehn from Farm Bureau for coming to teach the kids about strawberries! We had fun and it was delicious!

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: "Fourth Wing" by Rebecca Yarros, "Cross Down" by James Patterson, "The Five-Star Weekend" by Elin Hilderbrand, "The Happiness Plan" by Susan Mallery, "Liar!" by Fern Michaels, "A Little Ray of Sunshine" by Kristan Higgins, "The Paris Daughter" by Kristin Harmel, and "Private Moscow" by James Patterson.

YA books: "Legendborn" and "Bloodmarked" by Tracy Deonn, "Spice Road" by Maiya Ibrahim, "Stolen Throne" by Abigail Owen, "Twin Crowns" by Catherine Doyle, and "The Queen of Nothing" by Holly Black.

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

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

Did you know?

By Ann Hendrickson

The Worth County Historical Society has been planning for up coming activities. We are looking forward to a bus and van stopping at the museum on June 8, 2023, with 65 or more passengers traveling the old Jefferson Highway route from Mason City to Owatonna. This is a small portion of the Palm to Pine Jefferson Highway experience.

We will be at the Worth County Fair in the exhibit building at the same location as previous years. Our basic theme this year is honoring the graduates of Worth County. Class pictures from 1894 and continuing will be displayed for your inspection. We invite you to stop by and have a look-see as we are sure you will find someone's picture you recognize.

Our special jar will be filled with rock candy for you to count and win $25 if you choose the right number of rocks! Our organization may be old but we still "rock." Please stop at our booth and check it out.

Help! We are aware as time goes on how things deteriorate. Did you notice the new corner sign and sign on the museum building? They needed to be replaced. A new, larger mailbox and post has also been added. We are most definitely aware of the condition of our old buildings. Time and finances are not on our side. We are struggling to come up with ideas and plans to solve the problems. Your input of ideas, time or donation would be greatly appreciated.

The museum will be open Sunday afternoons from 2-4 p.m. during the summer for June, July and August.

We are looking forward to visiting with you at the fair.

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Savvy Senior

HBest over-the-counter hearing aids for older adults

Dear Savvy Senior,

Can you recommend some good over-the-counter hearing aids for seniors on a budget? I'm not sure what to get or where to buy them.

Hard of Hearing

Dear Hard,

The new FDA approved over-the-counter (OTC) hearing aids that hit the market last October have become a very attractive alternative to millions of older Americans with hearing impairment.

These new hearing aids can be purchased at pharmacies, consumer electronics stores or online without a hearing exam, prescription, or appointment with an audiologist. And the savings are significant. The average cost of an OTC hearing aid is about $1,600 per pair, which is about $3,000 less than the average price of a prescription hearing aid.

But sorting through all the different options and styles can be confusing. Here are some tips along with a reliable resource that can help you choose the right aid for you.

Check Your Hearing

Your first step to getting a hearing aid is to get your hearing tested. Be aware that OTC hearing aids are designed only for people with mild to moderate hearing loss (signs include trouble hearing speech in noisy places, in groups, and during phone calls).

The best place to get your hearing tested is through a hearing care provider like an audiologist. These in-person tests are usually covered by private medical insurance, and as of this year, Medicare will pay for general hearing evaluations without a doctor's referral.

You can also assess your hearing at home with a good app-based hearing test like Mimi (mimi.health) or SonicCloud (soniccloud.com).

If you find through your test that you have severe hearing loss (signs include being unable to hear spoken words even in a quiet room or trouble hearing loud music or power tools) then OTC aids aren't the right solution for you. You'll probably need a prescription hearing aid, which you must get through an audiologist or hearing instrument specialist.

Choosing an OTC Aid

If you decide that an OTC hearing aid may work for you, here are a couple pointers to help you choose.

First, you need to know that OTC hearing aids come in two types: self-fitting and preset. Self-fitting aids typically use a smartphone app to setup and adjust the device to suit your specific hearing needs, which makes them better suited for seniors who are technologically inclined. While preset hearing aids are much simpler devices that come with a number of set programs for different levels of hearing loss, and the controls are directly on the hearing aid.

Also, because OTC hearing aids have a learning curve, it's very important to know the level of customer support you'll have access to. So, before you buy, find out how long the company provides support after your purchase, and what sorts of experts will be providing the support.

You also need to find out about the company's return policy. It can take weeks to get accustomed to wearing hearing aids and figure out whether they're really working for you or not. So, make sure to choose a brand that offers a minimum 30-day free trial period, or money back return policy.

Best OTC Hearing Aids

To help you cut through all the different options the National Council on Aging (NCOA), which is a national nonprofit organization that advocates for older Americans, recently assembled a review team who collectively spent more than 5,000 hours researching, testing and interviewing customers about OTC hearing aids.

They came up with a list of nine winners based on such criteria as affordability, style and fit. Their best OTC hearing aids for 2023 in their nine categories include:

- Best for Seniors: Jabra Enhance (jabraenhance.com)
- Best Invisible Fit: Eargo (eargo.com)
- Most User-Friendly: Lexie (lexiehearing.com)
- Most Affordable: Audien (audienhearing.com)
- Most Financing Options: Audicus (audicus.com)
- Best Remote Customer Service: MDHearing (mdhearingaid.com)
- Best Rechargeable for the Money: Go Hearing (gohearing.com)
- Best Variety: Lucid (lucidhearing.com)
- Best Earbud-Style: Sony (electronics.sony.com)

To learn more, see NCOA.org/adviser/hearing-aids/best-otc-hearing-aids.

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

It was a significant victory. I went into a room and remembered why I'd gone there.

Why did you go there?

Go where?

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Deep thoughts occur as I drive past his drive. The pounding sun had brought enough heat that my hat showed my sweat as I waited for a taxi. Inside the cab, my seatbelt refused to click. I tried again and again. No clicking. The driver spent little time sorting his words. According to him, the dispatcher gave him the worst fares (he probably classified me in that category) because she used to date his brother and their breakup wasn't amicable. His story had been practiced. I looked out the window. We hadn't gone far before I noticed repeated restaurant brand signs. Whoever made the city should have made it smaller.

He let me off outside my hotel. I tipped him enough that he was willing to continue the story of his brother and the dispatcher, but I exited quickly and left that threat dangling. At the hotel, a woman in a bridal gown belted out "Sweet Caroline" at a wedding reception. Maybe she was a Boston Red Sox fan, as good times never seem so good as when the Fenway Park sound system plays Neil Diamond's recording of "Sweet Caroline" in the middle of the 8th inning. Fans sing the "So good, so good, so good!" portion of the song with excessive enthusiasm. That tradition began when an employee in charge of ballpark music played "Sweet Caroline" because someone she knew had just had a baby named Caroline.

I found my room and crashed on a bed slightly too short for a long drink of water like me. I could hear, "Sweet Caroline. Bum, bum, bum. Good times never seemed so good."

Meanwhile, at the post office

I was at the post office. A fellow I knew must not have picked up his mail for a few days. He was no longer nimble-fingered and dropped nearly all of it. He swore a bit. No, he swore a lot. A hush fell over the crowd. He'd picked up the habit of excessive cussing during his many years at a factory and he'd practiced it to imperfection. Maybe he wasn't aware he was so loud. I made a note to look up some of the harsh words he'd used when I got home. He was particularly hard on the slippery magazines his wife had subscribed to. "It's easier to carry &#%!@?! bullheads." He threatened to deposit the glossy periodicals in the trash can, but he didn't. I helped him pick up his mail. He thanked me. I said, "You're welcome, pastor."

He laughed his way out the door.

Remembering fondly

I walked around a couple of cemeteries telling the dearly departed that I love and miss them. Their lives went from seed to flower like a time-lapse video, but I hoped some died with a smile, like a cowboy dying with his boots on. My father died with a smile in a hospital, even though he'd wanted to die on the farm. His last words were, "Well, Robert." Robert was his beloved brother who had died young from a ruptured appendix.

I wonder

If I tell a dog to sit, does it expect bad news?

Is a retired fly a flew?

If we're not supposed to eat midnight snacks, why is there a light in the refrigerator?

Nature notes

House wrens nested in my mother's clothespin bag and another nested in my blue jeans hanging on a clothesline. Simple joys weren't denied as young wrens fledged in unrehearsed flights from both sites. One year, there was a crow that plucked off the clothespins. It did nothing more than drop them to the ground, caw several times and fly away.

I saw a red-winged blackbird on a street sign. I'd love to see one on a street sign reading "Broadway." It'd be great to hear that bird singing on Broadway.

I watched a couple of mallards napping on a dock next to three plastic owls. A reader sent me a photo of a starling perched on the head of a plastic owl. The effectiveness of the plastic statues is limited because even the most skittish bird quickly finds them no threat.

The eastern chipmunk with his cheeks stuffed with food has a burrow that could reach 2 feet deep and 30 feet long.

Meeting adjourned

"Be the living expression of God's kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile."—Mother Teresa.

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Fit to print...

A start to summer activities

By Kris Kenison

Summer is upon us in every way but the specific date of its arrival. The season of activities meant to bring people out of their homes to enjoy time together and enjoy the weather is here.

That started this past weekend with two such activities, or two activities that I took part in, as there were no doubt more that took place at the same time.

It began with a program at the Top of Iowa Welcome Center, which celebrated 25 years of service to the communities nearby, and the visitors to the area and those passing through.

As was clear throughout the day's events, the Top of Iowa center lives up to its name, as a welcoming place, thanks to the more than 25 years of dedication of director Jean Stowell, and those that she has worked with over the years. They have put in a lot of effort to be ambassadors for our area and for the entire state of Iowa.

That's not to mention the many people who helped make the Welcome Center a reality. If you haven't read more about that earlier in this issue, the story can be found on the front page.

It was just on the pleasant side of hot as the crowd there to celebrate enjoyed burgers offered by the Worth County Cattlemen, with the rest of the meal from Signatures and served with the assistance of members of the Northwood-Kensett FFA chapter.

After the meal and the chance to vist inside the Welcome Center, the program was held and it was clear that people were proud to have been a part of the Welcome Center success and happy that it has become a focal point of what makes Iowa great.

More on the program can be found on the story earlier in the paper.

Later in the afternoon another event was held, this one a party with a purpose.

The Relay For Life of Worth County has held two annual summer (or near summer in case of this past weekend) events for several years. The first of those took place this past weekend, with the Big Purple Birthday Party.

The color purple is one designated for those that have had cancer. At Relay events you will see many people in purple T-shirts, a proud sign that they have battled the disease and survived.

Cancer is a terrible thing and too many have been lost. That's another part of the the Relay events- Honoring those that are no longer with us. It's a sentiment that always plays a part. It's in the silence taken to remember, the prayer held to begin and in the passion of many of those that take part.

It can also be seen in many of the luminaria that lined the walls of flower hall on Saturday. The bags were decorated by elementary students earlier in the year, and then on Saturday, people could add names and messagers, honoring those that have passed, as well as those that have survived.

The Worth County Cattlemen were busy again, offering burgers for the Relay, served with the help of Team Adams Family.

Team Adams also provided a photo booth, bake sale, beverages and items for the live auction. That's not to mention their support that has become a key part of every Relay.

The event also included some games of bingo, games for the kids and more camaraderie amongst those whose lives have been impacted by cancer.

The event, as always is made possible by the number of volunteers who lead and support Relay events throughout the year. Through meetings, phone calls, moving flying pigs, organizing, setting up and many more activities, they have been impacted by cancer and they work to raise funds for the American Cancer Society and its research and programs to fight cancer and support those with the disease.

It's one of the many examples of the small town generosity that can be seen throughout the year in our communities.

For more of that volunteer spirit, you can look towards First Lutheran Church in Northwood's Day Camp acitivites this week, held with the support of members of the youth group, or the Vacation Bible School event in Bolan June 19-23, also made possible thanks to volunteer organizers and supporters of all ages.

You can support the volunteers of the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company and enjoy a barbecue meal this Saturday.

You can also look forward to next week's Worth County Fair. The fair board members, livestock show supporters, show organizers, 4-H leaders and members will all be there playing a part to make it the first fair destination of the year in the state of Iowa. That's not to mention the countless volunteers that support many of the fair events and activities.

See more about the Worth County Fair in next week's paper.

It's a busy start to the summer activity season. So get out there and enjoy the efforts of Worth County volunteers as they are held throughout the summer.

Northwood Anchor

Early Files

100 years ago

June 6, 1923

For the first time in years the annual meeting of the Farmer's Elevator, held in the Worth County Courthouse at Northwood, was attended by a majority of stockholders. The following officers and directors were elected for the coming year: H.H. Douglass, president; E.E. Breenm vice president; Glenn Scott, secretary; and W.H. Pixley, treasurer. Directors are Carl T. Rone, Elling Harmon, Iver Iverson, Mack Gullickson and David Davidson.

Seven of the boys and girls who wrote letters for the special Farm Bureau edition of The Anchor and Index recently have been rewarded prizes by the judges. Twenty-five dollars in all were given to the following: Victor Elverum; Loye Davis, Jr., Ingvald Horvei, Clare Smith, Pearl Johnson, Myron Hanson and Mildred Davis.

An event of interest to many in this community was celebrated at the farm home of Erick Severson, pioneer resident of Worth County. A host of relatives and friends gathered to do honor to Mr. and Mrs. Peter C. Eide, who were just completing their 50th year of wedded life. Rev. Ylvisaker spoke to the guests of honor, congratulating them on behalf of the assembled friends. He also presented them with a purse to be cherished as a remembrance of the day.

The piano pupils of Miss Stella Tenold gave a recital at the Lutheran Church. Some quite difficult selections were included and the pupils demonstrated not only their own ability to learn but the skill of Miss Tenold in instruction. Those playing were Elsie Hagen, Josephine Heiny, Clara Huus, Mildred Singlestad, Julia Hove, Dorothy Dwelle, Oliver Keeler, Arlene Dwelle, Geneva F. McQuatters, Elizabeth Madson, VaLois Gabby, Valborg, Mellem, Celia Hove, Cora Bergo, Mary Johnson, Marion Dwelle, Pearl Nelson, June Thompson, George Pitman, Lenora Farland, Myrtle Gullickson, Paul Ebert and Blanche Stehn.

75 years ago

June 3, 1948

S.J. Wilson is now in charge as manager of the Worth County Lumber Co., the yard owned by O.H. Koch of St. Ansgar, who bought the business last month from Ted Gran and Loren McDonald, who operated as the G&M Lumber Co.

With 8.63 inches of rain and melted snow recorded for the first five months of 1948, a deficiency in precipitation has been experienced in this vicinity for that period. The total for the first five months of 1947 was 10.92 inches.

Mrs. Gerald Iverson, the former June Olsen of this city, her husband and their little daughter, Betty June, were among the several thousand residents of Vanport, Ore., who escaped death in the recent flood tragedy but lost all their personal effects other than the clothing they wore.

C.N. Pangburn has been housed up the past week from injuries suffered when one wheel of a truck driven by Reuben Nelson ran over his leg. He was seated on the pavement at the Lucken service station, putting air in the pneumatic tires of the lawn mower owned by the county, when the accident occurred.

One year ago this week The Anchor headed a new story, "Swensrud to Be Near Top in Billion Dollar Oil Company." This week the same head could be used with elimination of the word "Near."

Northwood merchants, 40 of them are joining in Greater Northwood Days on June 8 and 9, for the first of a series of sales events in an effort to expand the town's trade territory.

Fire that started in the belfry of the school house in district No. 7 of Brookfield Township during the noon hour, caused a call to be placed with the Northwood Fire Company.

Equipment is being assembled and plans completed for the opening of the summer recreational program for Northwood.

50 years ago

June 7, 1973

Miss Carol Schneider, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schneider, Manly, will work in the Worth County Extension Office in Northwood, during June, July and August as an Extension Summer Aide. Miss Schneider will be a sophomore at Mount Mercy College in Cedar Rapids this fall. She was a member of 4-H in Worth County for eight years.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Lawhorn announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Joan, to David Peterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Peterson, Northwood. Joan is a graduate of Northwood-Kensett High School and is employed at Fallgatter Market, Northwood. Her fiancé is also a graduate of Northwood-Kensett, attends North Iowa Area Community College and is farming.

Cathe Ensign, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ensign, Northwood, received a bachelor of arts degree in sociology at graduation ceremonies on May 27 at Rollins College, Winter Park, Fla. Her parents and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Ensign, attended the ceremonies.

A "small but talented" squad has reported for boys summer baseball, according to coach Bob Wilder. Fourteen students, including four seniors, are on the roster. Coach Wilder expects Bill Alenader, John Janssen, Paul Hogen and Paul Peterson to handle the pitching duties and Hogen, Larry Perkins and Rick Bratrud to catch.

Neil Reinsmoen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stromley, Mason City, was awarded the Eagle Scout badge on May 24 at a court of honor for Troop 153 at Hoover School. Reinsmoen is a grandson of the Carl Kalgaardens, Kensett. The presentation of the highest rank in Boy Scouting was made by Dr. M.L. Knutson of the district advancement committee, assisted by Eagle Scouts of the Winnebago Council. Mrs. Stromley pinned the Eagle badge on her son's uniform

25 years ago

June 10, 1998

Winn-Worth Betco executive director Dave Brunsvold and Top of Iowa Welcome Center manager Jean Stowell steadied the bright red strand of cloth as Iowa Department of Economic Development representative Harris Honsey, Gov. Terry Branstad, Top of Iowa Welcome Center board president Terry Steinmetz and Iowa Department of Transportation director Darrel Rensink performed the honors at the welcome center ribbon cutting ceremony.

Sherri and Kati Oetken, daughters of Sue and Terry Oetken, rural Northwood, participated in Denny's School of Dance Revue entitled "The Main Event '98," on May 30, at the Iowa Community Auditorium, Mason City. After the dance revue, the Terry Oetken family was guests of Armand and Phyllis Oetken, Mason City, for a buffet supper.

Gene and Janet Severson, Northwood, announced the engagement of their daughter, Kathryn, to LeRoy Perteet, son of Sally Ellefson. Kathryn is a 1995 graduate of Northwood-Kensett High School and a 1996 graduate of NIACC. She is employed at North Iowa Mercy Health Center. LeRoy is a 1993 Belmond-Klemme graduate and graduate from Hamilton Business College in 1995. He is employed at Menards. A June 27 wedding is planned at First Lutheran Church in Northwood.

The Northwood-Kensett Vikings finished the first full week of the 1998 baseball season with a 2-5 record. Viking second baseman Joey Harmon collected a pair of singles to account for half of N-K's hits, and the Rebels contributed five errors to the Viking cause.

The Northwood-Kensett varsity girls softball team capped its first week of the 1998 season with a 5-2 victory over Rockwell-Swaledale. Jolene Schultz and Janet Butler led the way with two base hits apiece, and all but one Viking starter knocked the ball through or past the Rebel defense.

10 years ago

June 5, 2013

Students in Northwood-Kensett's fourth grade classes spent some time planting a tree in memory of a lost classmate. Cassidy Stehn passed away in a traffic, accident on July 10, 2012. Each of her classmates took time last week to remember her as they prepared for the new elementary addition. They took turns scooping out dirt in the spot for the new tree, which was then placed in its location outside of the kindergarten classrooms. A memorial plaque will be placed near the tree when it is dedicated later this year.

A Northwood teen was involved a collision with a semi north of Northwood, according to a report from the Iowa State Patrol. Connor Elliot, 16, was turning south onto the highway when he pulled in front of a northbound semi driven by Trieu Chipman, 45, of Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada. Eilliot was airlifted to Mercy Medical Center of North Iowa following the crash.

Northwood and Worth County officials were introduced to the four deputies that have been hired by the Worth County Sheriff's office to serve the city of Northwood. The deputies were hired by the Sheriff following an agreement with the City of Northwood, to provide for law enforcement needs to the city. The newly hired deputies are Cory Hicken, of Grafton; Isaac Short, from Humboldt, Iowa; Greg Hepperly, from Mason City; and Dennis Paulson, Northwood's remaining police officer, who transferred to the deputy position as part of the agreement.

Kelli Elizabeth Welsh, daughter of Dr. James Welsh and Laurie and Roger Harris, graduated Cum Laude from Minnesota State University-Mankato on May 11, 2013. Kelli earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Biomedical Sciences with a Chemistry minor. She has been accepted into the Nuclear Medicine Technology Program at Allen College, Waterloo, beginning in August.



N-K Trap Team

By Dean Mueller
N-K Trap Coach

The Vikings trap team completed its season on Saturday at the Stockdale Gun Club. The event was the USA Clay Target Iowa Championships.

Okoboji High School won the event with a score 478, second was Osage with a score of 457 and Northwood-Kensett was third with 450. We did not bring our A game but still shot reasonably well. The five scores for the team were Haydan Pestorious 97, Aiden Moretz 94, Collin Houg 93, Will Tindall 84 and Trinty Vandiver 82 (she is in seventh grade this year).

Ladies champion was Alexa Thayer (Osage) 98, second was Layla Kalsow (Okoboji) 95 and third was Hailey Herr (Lake Mills) 87. Men's champion was Dustin Thelen (Okoboji) with 98, second was Haydan Pestorious (N-K) with 97 and third was Sully Mckeen (Okoboji) with 96. Trinity Vandiver took third on the JV division with an 82.

The conference awards were also handed out and as reported earlier N-K won it's conference. We had a clean sweep of the men's division with Collin Houg first, second was Haydan Pestorious and third was Loghan Nelson. In the ladies division Trinity Vandiver came in third.

The team had a great season and is looking forward to next year. We had only two seniors so most of the team will be returning next year. We will not have any seniors next year so we are in a serious rebuilding mode for the next three years.



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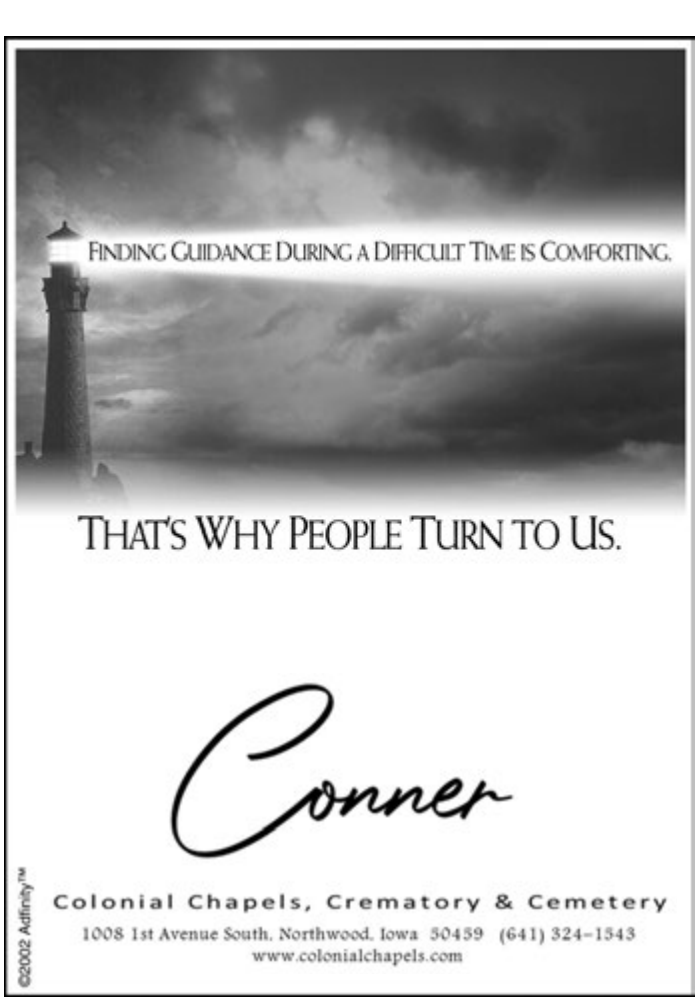
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Supervisors

May 30, 2023
Twenty-second Day

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

Loberg led the Pledge of Allegiance and then called the meeting to order.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve today's agenda and minutes from the May 22, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve claims in the amount of $112,503.25 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

A.H. Hermel Vending & Foodservice, Supplies-Shf..... 179.99
Advanced Drainage Sys Inc
Supplies-Eng 571.54
Alliant Energy
Service-Gsr 5,707.41
Aramark, Service-Eng 108.04
Bmc Aggregates Llc
Rock-Eng 2,759.71
Bomgaars Supply, Inc
Supplies-Con 312.95
Colton Kisner, Safety-Eng... 49.99
Dave Syverson Inc
Service-Eng 1,508.83
Dennis Paulson, Reimb-Shf. 92.25
Falkstone Llc, Rock-Eng. 1,366.98
Greve Law Office
Postage-Aty 189.00
Hartland Lubricants & Chemicals
Supplies-Eng 327.90
Ia Dept Of Agriculture
Edu-Eng..... 30.00
Imwca
Wk Comp Prem-Ins..... 41,855.00
Jeff Greve, Mileage-Aty 34.06
Jerry Hopperstad
Meeting-Asr..... 200.00
Kevin Springer Construction
Service-Cap..... 9,469.00
Lawson Products Inc
Supplies-Eng 204.56
Mike Romig
Meeting & Mileage-Asr.... 235.38
Nassco Inc., Supplies-Gsr.. 210.13
Niacc, Edu-Phd..... 25.00
North Central District Of Assessors, Dues-Asr 400.00
Northwood Anchor Inc
Service-Eng 205.20
Peopleservice Inc
Service-Wat & Wwt..... 19,689.00
Performance Food Service
Supplies-Shf 505.19
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc
Service-Con..... 57.87
Popp Excavating, Inc.
Service-Eng 2,100.00
Popp Farm Drainage
Service-Eng 359.10
S&P Global Ratings
Service-Eng 18,000.00
Safety Solutions
Safety-Eng 500.00
Scott Madsen
Meeting & Mileage-Asr.... 213.10
Trading Post
Supplies-Eng 608.95
Verizon Wireless
Service-It/Gis..... 142.90
Visa, Service-Eng 4,284.22
Grand Total 112,503.25

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve the Iowa Retail Permit Application for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor for The Jo Stop and the Class C Retail Alcohol License for Happy Time Resort LLC. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to acknowledge and place on file the manure management plan updates for Corner View Crop & Livestock #69342, Double K Farming #58357, Ryan Site #69382 and Travis Site #69381. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the $5,700,000 General Obligation Urban Renewal Bonds, Series 2023A Closing Certificate. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve Resolution 2023-20, 2022/2023 Interfund Transfer Resolution. Roll call: Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye; Loberg – Aye. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to abate $2,740 in interest and $32.00 in penalties for mobile home parcel #11-20-100-901 owned by Gary M. & Mary M. Tomlinson. Taxes from 2012-2021 in the amount of $3,288.00 are due by June 15. Motion carried.

Chairperson Loberg recessed the regular session at 8:59 A.M.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to open the public hearing for Ordinance #2023-01 – An Ordinance Readopting the Existing County Code and All Amendments Thereto, Worth County, Iowa (First Reading) at 9:00 A.M. Motion carried. There was no public comment.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

Chairperson Loberg reconvened the regular session at 9:02 A.M.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to adjourn at 9:07 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Enos Loberg, Chairperson

Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE OF STORM WATER DISCHARGE

M.A. Mortenson Company plans to submit a Notice of Intent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to be covered under the NPDES General Permit No. 2 "Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity for Construction Activities." The storm water discharge will be from the construction of an equipment yard expansion located in Twp 100 N, Range 20 W, Section 34 in Worth County. Stormwater will be discharged from approximately two (2) point sources and will be discharged to Ditch 11 and through a regional pond to Shell Rock River.

Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Discharge Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division, 502 E. 9th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0034. The public may review the Notice of Intent from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the above address after it has been received by the department.

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT WORTH COUNTY
Probate No. ESPR009366

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RUTH P. DIERCKS, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of RUTH P. DIERCKS, Deceased, who died on or about 9th day of May, 2023.

You are hereby notified that on the 19th day of May, 2023, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this 22nd day of May, 2023.

Joan W. Stumo
Administrator of estate
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Northwood, IA 50459
Donald E. Esser
ICIS PIN No: AT0002407
Attorney for executor
Firm Name: Esser Law Firm, PLC
Address: PO Box 1583
Mason City, lA 50402-1583

Date of second publication the 7th day of June, 2023.

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Northwood Anchor **Legal**

WORTH COUNTY DELINQUENT TAX LIST AND NOTICE OF TAX SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned County Treasurer of Worth County, Iowa will on Monday June 19, 2023, in the Worth County Treasurers office, 822 Central Ave. Northwood, IA, beginning at 10:00 am proceed to offer at public sale in issuance with the laws of the State of Iowa, and in pursuance with Chapter 446, Code of IA, and all acts amendatory thereto, the following described lands, is not redeemed within the period in Chapter 447. The right to redeem expires and a deed maybe issued. Some parcels may be withheld at tax sale due to bankruptcy proceedings. Bidders will place their bids online. The auction site can be accessed by going to www.iowataxauction.com. An adjourned tax sale will be held any business day following the annual tax sale in which there are bidders present and there are parcels available for sale. A (**) designates that the parcel includes special assessments and/or drainage. The taxes on these properties are subject to sale under the provisions of Sec 446.18, Code of Iowa.

Jake Hanson, Worth County Treasurer

BANKN - BARTON BANKN
BREIT, MARTI J 08-06-400-003 1) 06 99 19 PART OF PAR "D" SW SE.....$422.00
BREIT, MARTI J 08-06-400-004 2) 06 99 19 PART OF PAR "D" SE SE.....$534.00
BREIT, MARTI J 08-06-400-006 3) 06 99 19 PT PAR "D" IN NW $300.00
BREIT, MARTI J 08-06-400-008 4) 06 99 19 PT PAR "D" IN NE SE.....$449.00

BLLM - BRISTOL BLLM
ROGNE, CHRISTOPHER & COURTNEY 05-08-201-010
8) 08 99 22 PAR "D" & ALL VACATED STS & ALLEYS NW NE….....$81.00

BRNK - BROOKFIELD BRNK
KING JR, RALEIGH S & SMITH, CONNIE P 06-27-400-007 11) 27 99 21 PAR IN SW SE $968.00
KING JR, RALEIGH S & SMITH, CONNIE P 06-34-200-002 12) 34 99 21 PAR IN NW NE.....$159.00
KING, RALEIGH S JR & SMITH, CONNIE P 06-27-400-006
13) 27 99 21 PAR SW SE (.40) & PAR NW NE 34 99 21 (.12) $73.00
MOHLER, G RUSSELL & JULIE A 06-28-400-005
15) 28 99 21 PAR 11 1/2X14 RDS IN SE COR SE SE $361.00

DACS - DANVILLE DACS
BACKHAUS, NORMAN A 10-36-400-001 16) 36 98 21 NW SE $622.00
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BACKHAUS, NORMAN A 10-36-400-006 19) 36 98 21 SW SE $542.00
CARLSON, VAUGHN E & DORSEY, KELLI J 10-06-200-003 20) 06 98 21 PAR IN NE NE $319.00
WAGNER, MATTHEW A & CASSIE J 10-33-200-003
21) 33 98 21 PAR IN W 1/2 NE (1,158.63' X 375.96').....$1,556.00

DCSA - DEER CREEK DCSA
BREIT, MARTI J 04-13-100-001 22) 13 100 19 PART OF PAR "A" NW NW $617.00
BREIT, MARTI J 04-13-100-003 23) 13 100 19 PART OF PAR "A" SW NW.....$600.00
BREIT, MARTI J 04-13-100-005 24) 13 100 19 PT PAR "A' IN NE NW $103.00
BREIT, MARTI J 04-13-100-007 25) 13 100 19 PT PAR "A" IN SE NW.....$91.00

FEFC - FERTILE FEFC
RAULIE, LAWRENCE VINCENT & LEE ANN 09-19-200-014
27) 19 98 22 PARS IN SW NE & E 1/2 SE NW EX PAR "E" $12.48**
STENSRUDE, SPENCER C & SHERRI L 09-16-300-001 28) 16 98 22 W 1/2 NW SW $519.00

FELM - FERTILE FELM
STENSRUDE, SPENCER C & SHERRI L 09-17-200-012
29) 17 98 22 PART OF PAR "A" SW NE EX PAR "B".....$867.00
STENSRUDE, SPENCER C & SHERRI L 09-17-200-013
30) 17 98 22 PART OF PAR "A" SE NE EX PAR "B".....$928.00
STENSRUDE, SPENCER C & SHERRI L 09-17-200-014
31) 17 98 22 PART PAR "A" IN NW NE EX PAR "D".....$1,153.00

FRFC - FERTILE FRFC
ANDERSON, CHRISTINE ANN & MARK ALLEN 09-35-155-001
32) WILLIAM RHODES PARK LOT 6.....$556.00
ANDERSON, MARC A & CHRIS 09-35-156-003 33) RHODES ADD LOT 1 BLK. 4.....$1,520.00
ANDERSON, MARK A & CHRISTINE A 09-35-156-004
34) RHODES ADD LOTS 2 & 3 BLK 4 .....$133.00
ARNOLD, SCOTT A 09-34-280-008
35) RHODES SUB MILL LOT 4 EX W 6' & LOTS 5,6,7,8 .....$348.00
DAHN, MICHAEL J 09-35-152-009 37) RHODES ADD LOT 8 BLK 2 .....$563.00
GONNERMAN, TONI M 09-35-152-006 39) RHODES ADD S 72' LOTS 1 & 2 & S 71' LOTS 3 & 4 BLK 2.....$661.00
OCHOA, JESUS & BLANCA 09-34-253-004 40) ORIG S 1/2 LOTS 1 & 2 BLK 6 .....$15.00

GRNK - GROVE GRNK
BORNTREGER, DAVID M & MALINDA D 03-10-200-004 44) 10 100 20 PAR IN NE NE $244.00
BORNTREGER, DAVID M & MALINDA D 03-10-200-005 45) 10 100 20 PAR IN SE NE $649.00
ROPS, DENNIS B & MARY ELLEN 03-25-400-006 47) 25 100 20 PAR 10 X 340 SE SE $8.00

GRSA - GRAFTON GRSA
ANDERSON, SHAWN 12-03-476-016 48) LOTS 16 & 17 BLK 1 .....$1,061.00
PIXLEY, SETH W 12-03-452-005 51) ORIG S 60' LOTS 5 & 6 BLK 2.....$847.00
VELASQUEZ, MICHAEL & KALVIG, JESSICA J 12-03-461-006
52) ORIG TOWN ORIG PLAT BLK 12 LOT 5 & 6 .....$782.75**

HANK - HARTLAND HANK
ABRAMS, KENNETH J TRUST 02-26-300-003 53) 26 100 21 SW SW S DD 2 .....$2,380.00
ABRAMS, KENNETH J TRUST 02-26-300-005 54) 26 100 21 W. 10 A E 1/2 SW DD 2 .....$1,091.00
ABRAMS, KENNETH J TRUST 02-27-400-007 55) 27 100 21 SE SE S DD 2 .....$25.00
NITCHER, DYLAN & TYLER 02-34-300-006 64) 34 100 21 PAR IN SE SW $162.76**

HRCS - HANLONTOWN HRCS
ALBEE, DAVID E & STEPHANIE P 10-30-154-003
65) ORIG TOWN BLK 20 LOT 8. 9. 10, 11, 12.....$697.00
FRANKS, DAN 10-30-101-001 66) LOTS 1 & 2 BLK 3.....$2,297.00
FRANKS, MADALYN 09-25-278-003 67) ORIG TOWN BLK 22 LOT 11 & 12.....$1,043.00
STREET, CURTIS & NELSON, KELSEY 09-25-284-006
69) ORIG TOWN BLK 31 LOT 7 8 9.....$1,091.00
THOMPSON, LOGAN P 09-25-279-003 70) ORIG TOWN BLK 23 LOT 11 & 12 .....$529.00

JRLM - JOICE JRLM
PALS, RANDALL L 05-28-307-003 75) ORIG TOWN JOICE BLK 7 LOT 3 .....$398.00
VANDER PLAS, CHRIS 05-28-305-004
76) ORIG TOWN BLK 5 LOT 11,12 & W 1/2 LOT 10 .....$375.00
VANDER PLAS, CHRISTOPHER C. 05-28-311-003
77) ORIG LOT 9 EX & LOTS 7 & 8 BLK 10 .....$653.00

KENKF - KENSETT KENKF
TRENHAILE, COLBY E 07-14-400-008 80) 14 99 20 PAR "A" NE SE $600.00

KRNK - KENSETT KRNK
HANNA, JUSTIN A 07-33-257-001 81) ORIG TOWN KENSETT BLK 23 LOT 7 & 8.....$140.00
OLSON, GERALD A & QUERY, BARBARA J 07-33-256-006 83) ORIG LOT 4 BLK 18.....$767.59**
SMITH-PRINCE, SHEREE L 07-33-253-001 84) ORIG LOTS 7 & 8 BLK 24 .....$131.00
SPELTZ PROPERTIES LLC 07-33-176-007
85) SEC 33 PAR IN E 1/2 SE NW (192.7'X170.8) $1,597.00
WRIGHT RENTALS LLC 07-33-134-004
86) MRS LUCKASONS 1ST ADD BLK 3 LOT 5&6 .....$1,051.00

LICS - LINCOLN LICS
BACKHAUS, NORMAN 11-19-100-001 87) 19 98 20 NW NW $475.00
BACKHAUS, NORMAN 11-19-100-002 88) 19 98 20NE NW $1,052.00
BACKHAUS, NORMAN 11-19-100-003 89) 19 98 20 N 1/2 S 1/2 NW $431.00
BACKHAUS, RICK 11-19-100-004 90) 19 98 20 S 1/2 S 1/2 NW.....$559.00
BARR, DONALD J 11-13-200-005 91) 13-98-20 PAR IN SE NE $79.00
BAUMANN, NANCY J & STEVEN 11-21-126-011
92) 21 98 20 MURRAY HILL S ½ OF W ¾ OF S 14 A OF N 24 A OF NE NW.....$219.00
BAUMANN, NANCY J & STEVEN 11-21-126-012
93) 21 98 20 W 1/4 W 12 A S 16 A NE NW $71.00
BAUMANN, NANCY J & STEVEN 11-21-126-015
94) 21 98 20 E 3/4 OF W 12 A OF S 16 A NE NW $207.00
BAUMANN, NANCY J & STEVEN 11-21-129-001
95) BLK 3 LOT 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, & 13 21 98 20 MURRAY HILL GROUNDS E 1/4 NE NW.....$865.00
BEERY, DONALD G JR 11-21-128-004 96) 21 98 20 MURRAY HILL, LOT 9 BLK 2 .....$135.00
ODOM, MICHAEL J 11-21-129-004 99) 21 98 20 MURRAY HILL LOTS 6 & 8 BLK 3.....$419.00
PETERSEN, MARK R 11-10-400-007 100) 10-98-20 PAR IN SE SE.....$1,739.00
SAMUELSON, DEAN E 11-15-100-005
101) 15 98 20 PAR IN SW NW & IN NW NW (PAR "A") $3,254.00

MRCS - MANLY MRCS
BRYANT, THOMAS NEIL & CARMEN FAYE 11-21-252-020
103) N GRANT ST ADD LOT 14 .....$279.00
DRESSER, MARIAH J 11-22-353-008 104) MITCHELLS ADD BLK 6 LOT 4 & 5 .....$474.00
FIGGINS, JACOB 11-22-352-007
106) MITCHELLS ADD LOTS 6 & 7 BLK 5 E 8' OUTLOTS 14 & 15 & E 8' S 16' OUTLOT 16...$74.00
GO AMERICA LLC 11-21-432-008 107) ORIG TOWN MANLY BLK 10 LOT 29, 30, & 31.....$991.00
GRANDON, CHARLES 11-21-479-002 108) ORIG. LOTS 13, 14 &15 BLK 11 .....$430.00
GRANDON, CHARLES R 11-22-357-001 109) MITCH LOTS 16, 17 &18 BLK 9 .....$630.00
HEYDEN, LINDA J 11-21-452-004
111) AUDITORS PLAT/COUNTY AUD PLAT BLK 1 LOT W 66' OF LOT 1 .....$817.00
KOPP, CHELSEY L 11-21-405-009
112) AUDITORS PLAT/COUNTY AUD PLAT BLK 3 LOT 2.....$556.00
LINDEN, DAVID ROBERT & HOPE MARIE 11-21-432-006
114) ORIG TOWN MANLY BLK 10 LOT S 30' OF LTS 1,2,3,4,5 & S 30' E 3' OF LOT 6.....$44.00
MCANINCH, EARNEST LEE 11-22-302-011 115) MITCHELLS ADD BLK 2 LOT 11 .....$171.00
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116) MITCH W 188' OUTLOT 3 & S 5' OUTLOT 4.....$959.00
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117) MITCH OUTLOTS W 60' LOTS 1 & 2 .....$641.00
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118) MITCH E. 79' W. 139' OUTLOTS 1 & 2.....$175.00
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119) MITCHELLS OUTLOTS D MITCH OUTLOT LOT W 49' OF E 81' LOTS 1 & 2 .....$592.00
ODOM, MICHAEL E 11-21-406-007
120) BOSWORTHS ADD BLK 6 LOT E 30' LOT 8 ALL LOT 9….....$453.00
OLTMAN, MARK D 11-21-480-001
121) ORIG TOWN MANLY BLK 12 LOTS 15,16,17,18,19 EX. S 21 1/2'OF W 1' LOT 19, & N 94' LOTS 20 & 21 BLK 12 .....$398.00
PELLETIER, MAURICE W & SHARON A 11-21-480-009
123) ORIG TOWN MANLY BLK 12 LOT S 29' LOTS 20&21 & PT OF 19.....$511.00
PETERSEN, MARK R 11-21-432-005
124) ORIG N. 93' LOTS 1,2,3,4 & 5 N 93' E1/2 LOT 6, W 8' S 30' E 1/2 LOT 6, BLK 10 .....$94.00
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PETERSEN, MARK R & ERIN L 11-21-480-016 131) ORIG LOT 28 BLK 12.....$599.00
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PETERSEN, MARK R & ERIN LEA 11-22-351-002
133) MITCH W 110' OF S 44' OUTLOT 20 MITCH N. 6' OF W 110' OUTLOT 19.....$1,343.00
RAY, PATRICIA J & LESLIE P 11-21-427-010 134) LOT 12 BLK 1 .....$255.00
SAMUELSON, DEAN E 11-27-151-002 135) PAR 90' X 132' IN SW NW 27 98 20.....$281.00
SAMUELSON, DEAN E 11-28-277-005
136) MELD 2ND LOT 11 & 10 EXC N 20' AND W 30' OF LOT 10 .....$1,823.00
WATERS, ORETTA F 11-22-352-015
138) MITCHELLS ADD BLK 5 LOT 27 EX W 2' 28, 29 .....$521.00

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BUSHBAUM, ROXANNE 03-29-483-008
140) NORTHWOOD ORIG PLAT ORIG TOWN NORTHWOOD BLK 55 LOT W 43.75' LOTS 11 & 12.....$260.00
DETERDING, DAHNE & HOMAN, AYANA 03-28-377-006
141) NORTHWOOD EGBERTS ADD BLK 3 LOT 2.....$199.00
JACKSON, GEGORY A & LAKEISHA C 03-29-456-006
145) AUDITORS PLAT/COUNTY BLK 70 LOT 3 .....$898.00
KRAMER, CODY 03-33-130-005 146) WOODWORTHS ADD BLK 3 LOT 1 .....$854.00
MADDEN, SANDRA 03-33-101-006
148) ORIG W 16' LOT 9 & E 8 2/3' LOT 8 BLK 78.....$326.00
MIX, AMOS & LORAINE L 03-28-362-001
149) ORIG LOTS 1, 2 & 3 BLK 62 & W 3.25' OF ALLEY $1,014.00
OLSON, JERALD J. 03-32-226-026 150) NORTHWOOD JONES LOT 1 .....$246.00
PATTERSON, HARVEY 03-29-485-005 152) ORIG LOT 6, BLK 68 & 1/2 ALLEY $333.00
PEPPER, REX & LORI 03-28-306-004 153) DWELLES ADD BLK 25 LOT 4.....$999.00
POLFER, SAM M 03-33-111-002
154) AUDITORS PLAT/CNTY BLK 99 LOT E 1/2 LOTS 1 & 2.....$96.00
SMITH SERVICES LLC 03-33-130-007 155) LOTS 2 & 3 BLK 3 .....$634.00
SPELTZ PROPERTIES LLC 03-33-302-003 156) MEADOWLAND ESTATES LOT 1 & 2 ....$1,874.00
SPELTZ PROPERTIES LLC 03-33-302-009 157) MEADOWLAND ESTATES LOT 12.....$916.00
VP RENTAL PROPERTIES LLC 03-33-103-006
158) ORIG PLAT ORIG TOWN NORTHWOOD BLK 80 LOT E 48' OF N 1/2 OF SW ¼.....$523.00
ZIEMANN, DERRICK R 03-28-314-004
159) DWELLES ADD BLK 35 LOT 8 & N 1/2 LOT 9 .....$565.00

SLLM - SILVER LAKE SLLM
HAGEN, CLAY 01-21-300-007 160) 21 100 22 PAR IN NE SW $3,069.00
HELGESON, STEVEN M 01-31-300-001 166) 31 100 22 FRL NW SW.....$470.00
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HELGESON, STEVEN M 01-31-300-005 169) 31 100 22 SE SW.....$605.00
JOHNSON, ROBERT HALE & RAMONA M 01-13-100-002
170) 13 100 22 PARCELS IN NW PAR NE NW .79 AC PAR NW NW 8.86 AC ROAD .20 AC PAR SW NW .31 AC PAR SE NW .04 AC $739.00
ROCHE, CHAD 01-23-400-004 171) 23 100 22 PAR IN NE SE $713.00
ROCHE, CHAD 01-23-400-005 172) 23 100 22 PT SE SE $73.00

UNCS - UNION UNCS
CORDLE, PATRICK J & DOREEN J 12-20-400-014 173) 20 98 19 PAR IN NE SE.....$24.00

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*MYERS3M LLC 11-22-302-002 175) MITCHELLS ADD BLK 2 LOT E 56' LOT 5.....$399.00
COGHLAN, JENNIFER 14320 176) 98AA055231980 ARC 14320 2.....$165.00
*HUNGERFORD, MELISSA ANN 0430381N
177) 98-W0482891980 BUD 2SFKBUDPL31280430381N2 .....$357.00
*MENDENHALL, JACOB 114565D1782 178) 98AA132871973 TITA 114565D17822.....$357.00

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Pictured are (from left) Dr. Billie Cowley, Upper Iowa University; Bailey Miculinich, Viafield; Shelley Brockney, Viafield; Angie Leete, Upper Iowa University; Carrie Taylor, Upper Iowa University; and Chris Menke, Viafield.

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N-K senior Grady Buenzow misses out on a single by a step and snow cone catch by the Bulldogs' first baseman in last Saturday's 12-7 loss in Lake Mills.



Viking Justin Mills makes contact at the plate in last Saturday's Bulldogs tournament in Lake Mills. The talented junior is 4-18 this season at the plate with two RBIs in 18 plate appearances.



N-K third baseman Bowan Behne wanders into foul territory to snag this flyball in last Saturday's 12-7 loss to the Bulldogs in Lake Mills. Behne, in the Vikings' second game of the young season pitched his way to fame, snapping the Vikings' 22-game losing streak that dated back to the 2021 season.

Freshman hurler Bowan Behne snaps Vikings 22 game losing streak

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

After suffering through an 0-21 campaign in 2022 the Northwood-Kensett baseball program was hoping for the best come the start of the 2023 season, and so far, the young team has not disappointed, winning three of its first five games this season.

The Vikings started the season with a 10-0 loss at North Butler, marking the team's 22nd loss in a row that dated back to the previous two seasons.

N-K's last win coming into the game at Belmond-Klemme on opening week was the 2021 class 1A substate semifinals, an 8-3 upset win over Newman, before the streak started in the substate championship game where the Vikings fell to Kee 11-0 and finished the year at 14-15.

And then the streak was over! Two weeks ago, the Vikings traveled to Belmond and started freshman Bowan Behne in the non-conference matchup, and the youngster delivered, working four innings with two Ks, four walks and two ERs in the 16-3 five inning win, snapping the team's 22 game losing streak.

After the first week of play this season, despite snapping the streak, the Vikings got off to a rough start, falling to North Butler (10-0), Nashua-Plainfield (20-5) and West Fork (10-2), ending the first week of play at 1-3.

Not only did the Vikings snap a 22-game losing streak, but what seemed impossible just a year ago has happened, an N-K winning streak.

Last Tuesday the Vikings scored runs in every inning but the seventh in the easy 10-4 win over the Warriors of Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock.

Sophomore third baseman Evan Lorenzen led the team at the plate with two hits and three RBIs while senior Grady Buenzow picked up his first career win with the six-inning gem, giving up just one ER with 12 Ks and just four walks allowed, ending the game with an incredible 1.17 ERA.

Then last Wednesday the Vikings did what hadn't been done at N-K for over two years, an actual winning streak. Riceville came to town and was sent back home after suffering a 4-3 loss to the Vikings.

With Lorenzen on the mound, masterfully dominating the Wildcat batters, N-K held on long enough to score three runs in the final two innings of play to squeak out the one run win, 4-3.

Lorenzen went the distance, working seven innings with 10 Ks and no walks allowed, giving up just the one earned run to record his first win of the young season.

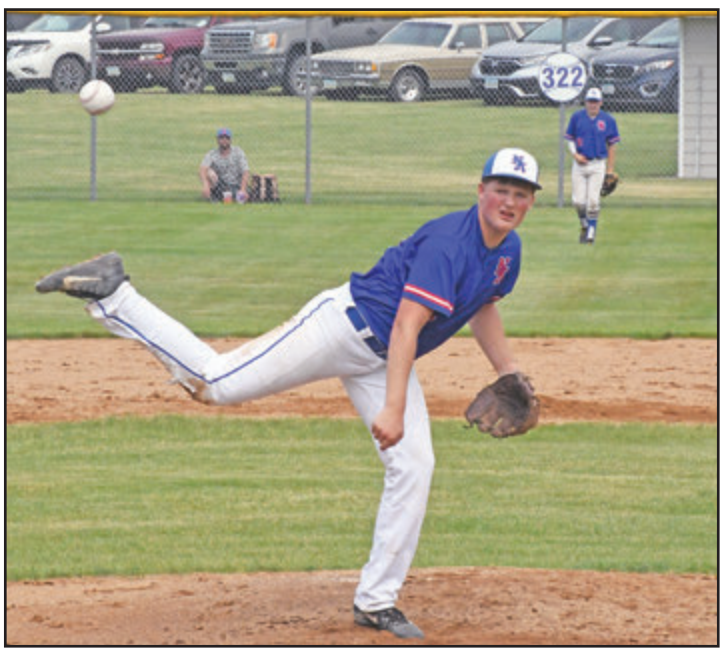
The streak was great while it lasted but the Vikings were on the wrong side of the score last Friday night at Newman Catholic, falling to the Knights 10-0 in five innings, losing in the bottom of the fifth when Newman plated its 10th run of the game.

The Vikings ended the week with a tournament in Lake Mills last Saturday, nearly defeating the host Bulldogs in the opener before losing 12-7 when LM scored five runs in the bottom of the sixth to secure the competitive 12-5 win.

N-K, after two weeks of the young season, is now 1-4 in the Top of Iowa Conference East and 3-5 overall. Games this week included Monday versus Central Springs, Tuesday versus Garner-Hayfield/Ventura, Wednesday at Saint Ansgar and Friday versus Osage.

TIC East Baseball Standings

	TIC East	Overall
Newman Catholic	5-0	13-1
Nashua-Plainfield	5-1	6-1
Osage	3-2	5-4
Saint Ansgar	3-2	8-4
North Butler	2-3	4-3
West Fork	2-3	2-6
Central Springs	2-5	2-6
Northwood-Kensett	1-4	3-5
Rockford	1-4	1-6



Senior starter Nolan Senne delivers a pitch last Saturday against the Bulldogs in Lake Mills. Senne has one no decision after one start this season and has held his opponents to a .143 batting average, 32 points below what the team's pitching staff allows on average.



Both teams in last Saturday's opening game between the Vikings and Lake Mills had numerous chances at the plate, but like the Vikings Jace Lindberg on this play, was called out by inches on the play.

Lady Vikings fall to 0-6 after three losses last week

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After losing all three of its games on the opening week of the 2023 season to North Butler (10-0), Nashua-Plainfield (10-0) and West Fork (12-0) by a combined 32-0, the young Lady Vikings team was able to put together some offense last week, scoring 10 runs in the three games played against Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock, Riceville and Newman Catholic.

After the long Memorial Day weekend the Lady Vikings battled it out with RRMR in Northwood last Tuesday evening, eventually losing 15-9 but not before nearly scoring more points in the one game than they did all of last season where the team was outscored 350-13 in 21 winless games.

The Lady Vikings found themselves leading 3-2 after the bottom of the second inning but was not able to overcome an eight run third by the Lady Warriors that broke the game open in the early innings. N-K did rebound and battled back in the bottom of the third with four runs of their own, but it was just not enough as the Lady Vikings fell 15-9 to RRMR.

N-K had hoped to take that newfound offense into the next night's games but ran into a talented Riceville squad who took care of business and beat N-K 15-1 last Wednesday night in Northwood. The Wildcats are now 13-7 overall against N-K since 2009 and winners of the last three, outscoring their opponent 28-1 in those games.

Last Friday night in Mason City the Lady Vikings fell to 2-13 overall against the Newman Knights after losing 12-0. The eight run second inning for the Knights was the final straw as N-K fell in four innings of play. N-K's only wins against the Knights were a 10-6 win in 2006 and an 8-6 win in 2021.

The Lady Vikings are now 0-6 overall and 0-4 in the Top of Iowa Conference East and had games this week on Monday versus Central Springs, Tuesday versus Garner-Hayfield/Ventura, Wednesday at Saint Ansgar and Friday versus Osage.

TIC East Softball Standings

	TIC East	Overall
Central Springs	6-0	8-1
Newman Catholic	6-0	11-1
Osage	3-2	9-2
Saint Ansgar	2-2	5-4
Rockford	2-4	3-5
West Fork	1-2	5-2
North Butler	1-4	2-5
Nashua-Plainfield	1-5	1-7
Northwood-Kensett	0-4	0-6



