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Corner to corner

A crew from Peterson Excavating of Kensett is pictured last week, as they removed one of the last downtown corners as the sidewalk replacement project winds down in Northwood. A resurfacing of Highway 65 North included the replacement of sidewalks along the highway throughout the city. That included ADA compliant sidewalk intersections.

145th Worth County Fair



County gets MCFD cost update

For the portion of the county that may still turn towards the Mason City Fire Department for its ambulance service, the figures for the service have been been largely set, according to discussion at the May 29 meeting of the Worth County Board of Supervisors. Also at the meeting, the supervisors heard a request to waive tax interest payments, but a tie to County staff raised questions.

Supervisor chair Enos Loberg updated the other members of the board about the terms of providing ambulance service to a portion of Worth County.

With Worth County on the way to being divided amongst three ambulance providers, a final figure for the cost of service for one of the areas was shared by Loberg.

Loberg said that he had been informed about the terms of the Mason City Fire Department's ambulance service in Worth County. They will reportedly be asking for $500 for each call for ambulance service.

That will include some of the calls where the patient

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Worth County Fair brings a wide variety of events, entertainment

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

Tonight (Wednesday) the fair entertainment opens with the crowning of the Worth County Fair Queen at 6:30 p.m. in the shelter house. On stage vying for fair royalty will be Jadyn Beland, Adessa Newhoff, Sydney Schilling and MacKensy Tomlinson.

The grandstand entertainment starts tonight with young people challenged to sheep riding with mutton busting at 7 p.m. Potential mutton busters may register from 4-6 p.m.



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Pool set to reopen June 19

After roughly two weeks, the Northwood Swimming Pool is set to reopen by next week.

The pool opened for the summer on June 1 and then, just two days into the season a leak was discovered and the pool has remained closed since.

However, the pool is set to reopen soon.

Last Friday, pool representatives announced that pipes have been fixed and new cement was laid last week. After it cures, the pool will be filled and chemicals will need to be adjusted.

The pool is expected to be ready for swimmers again by this Monday, June 19.

The first session of swimming lessons have been postponed to July 24-August 3.

Kid-size activities set for 2023 county fair

While there is plenty of fun and games on the way for young people at this week's fair, there's also a number of opportunities for them to try their hands at big kid activities, made just their size.

A number of farm experiences will be available at the Ag Learning Center throughout the week, to give a look at the kid and adult versions. That will include two chances daily for kids to meet with a number of different types of farmers.

Youngsters are invited to take part in a kid-size version of the fair's annual livestock and animal shows. That includes a Pee Wee Swine Show at about noon on Friday, after the regular swine show. Those wanting to enter should register at the announcer stand by 10:30 a.m. that day.

The Bucket/Bottle Calf Show is a chance for young kids to show off young calves following the 4-H Beef Show on Saturday. Those wanting to take part should be ready at about 11 a.m.

Youth exhibitors are also invited to take part in a Pee Wee Lamb and Goat Show this year, on Sunday, fol-

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Community committee meets to discuss N-K activities

The Northwood-Kensett District Advisory Committee met on May 9 at the High School Media Center. The school advisory committee shares the same mission as the district, which is for creating healthy, educated, ethical and productive citizens.

The DAC gathers to discuss activities and programs in the district, including updates.

The committee consists of N-K students, staff and community members. Students on the committee include MacKensy Tomlinson, Kamryn Backhaus, Megan Ocel, Merrin Hanson, Camden Trenhaile, Kenny Conlin, Weston Willand, Jadyn Beland and Taylor Foss. The staff members on the committee include Keith Fritz, Allison Clark, Nichol Hebel, Nikkole Koenig, Troy Einertson, Amy Hansen

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The Week's WEATHER

From National Weather Service data

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. June 6	88	59	
Wed. June 7	85	65	
Thurs. June 8	79	62	
Fri. June 9	77	53	
Sat. June 10	80	54	
Sun. June 11	76	55	T
Mon. June 12	69	45	

Northwood woman sentenced to prison for additional false claims

A woman charged with making false claims of cancer treatment to receive donations, money, the benefits of charitable programs and other support has been sentenced for additional claims.

Jennifer Mikesell first appeared in court after a 2019 investigation into her claims of a cancer diagnosis and treatments, used to take time off work, receive money and gifts from the community and to receive benefits from outside charitable organizations.

Mikesell pleaded guilty to ongoing criminal conduct and was sentenced to five years of supervised probation in January 2021.

Then, following another investigation later that year, Mikesell was charged with making false claims in order to receive State housing and food assistance.

According to court documents, Jennifer Mikesell has been convicted of Theft in the Second Degree, which is a class D felony. Per Iowa Code, Mikesell has been sentenced to prison for up to, but not exceeding, five years.

Mikesell will receive credit for any time she has previously served in connection with this offense.

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National Garden Club Week

The Northwood Anchor **was honored to receive flowers from Nancy Amundson of Green Thumb Garden Club during National Garden Club Week, June 5 through June 9. Kris Kenison, Publisher of *The Northwood Anchor* is pictured above receiving the beautiful flowers.**

Fair
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Tomorrow (Thursday) evening's grandstand entertainment co.ntinues at 7 p.m. with the Bulls and Barrels Rodeo.

On Friday, grandstand entertainment continues at 6:30 p.m. with the Tri-State Tractor Pull.

The crashing vehicles and crushing collisions of the Masters of Disaster Demo Derby starts at 7 p.m. on Saturday.

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

Sunday will also feature ventriloquist Kevin Horner, who will perform at the shelter house at 5 p.m.

Other entertainment taking place with shows throughout the fair are annual favorites Nick's Kids Show, the returning Don't Try This At Home and Polka Dot Entertainment shows, face painting and the carnival.

New for this year's fair is Otter Adventure, which presents two shows daily, with plenty of chances to watch how the animals interact and play in the display between shows.

Also joining the fair fun this year is Jurassic Kingdom, with two chances daily for people to learn about and interact with a variety of dinosaurs.

A new setting for a classic fair activitiy comes with the building in which the Kensett Lions Club will host bingo. Since last year's fair a new bingo stand was built. The building now has retractable doors to provide options in case of weather and to secure the building when not in use. People wanting to check out the new stand can do so with bingo starting at 2 p.m. and running until the end of the day on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

While not new, two popular spots have been relocated this year. The 4-H garden is planted as a joint effort between Northwood-Kensett fifth grade students, with the advise and expertise of Worth County Extension and area master gardeners. It can now be found just south of the grandstand fence.

Relocated nearby was the ring that is a popular spot used for a game known as ga-ga ball, enjoyed by many young fairgoers.

More information on the fair and its events can be found online at worthcountyfair.com or in the Worth County Fair Book, which can be viewed online at nwdanchor.com/worth-county-fair-book-20233 or picked up at the Anchor office and at the fair.

Following is a full schedule of the 2023 Worth County Fair:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

Floral Entries .....8-10 a.m.
4-H/FFA Dog Show, North Side of Sheep Barn.....10 a.m.
Meet a Farmer - Goats .....11 a.m.
Ag Learning Center ....11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Free Meal, *Sponsored by WCAT* ..... Noon
4-H Exhibit Buildings Open...Noon - 9 p.m.
4-H/FFA Horse Show, Halter & Pleasure Classes, Horse Arena..... .....1:30 p.m.
Pet Show, Livestock Arena ..... 1:30 p.m.
Wrist Band Sales Begin, Community Room .....3 p.m.
Ag Learning Center .... 4-8 p.m.
Carnival ($12) .... 4-10 p.m.
(Free Wrist Band Night ..... 5-9 p.m.)
Meet a Farmer - Pigs... .....5:30 p.m.
Fair Queen Finals, Shelter House .6:30 p.m.
Mutton Busting, Registration.. 4-6 p.m.
Grandstand .....7 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 15

4-H/FFA Livestock Weigh-In ....7:30 a.m.-Noon
4-H Exhibit Buildings Open..... ..... 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
Ag Learning Center .... 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Meet a Farmer - Dairy .....11 a.m.
Livestock Barns Open.. ..... Noon
Farm Bureau Farm Operator Contest North Side Quonset..... .....3 p.m.
Rabbit Show, Poultry Barn 4 p.m.
Ag Learning Center .... 4-8 p.m.
Carnival Opens4-10 p.m.
Free Meal .....5 p.m *Sponsored by Federal Foam Technologies*
Meet a Farmer - Turkey/Poultry ....5:30 p.m.
Bulls & Barrels Rodeo, Grandstand .....7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

4-H/FFA Swine Show, Livestock Arena . 9 a.m.
4-H Exhibit Buildings Open ....10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Library Story Hour, Community Room..... .....10 a.m.
4-H Presentations ....10 a.m.
Exhibit Building Opens ....10 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Ag Learning Center ....11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Face Painting, Commercial Building ... .11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Meet a Farmer - Beef... .....11 a.m.
Free Lunch, Shelter House ..... Noon *Sponsored by Farmers State Bank*
Horse Show Games Horse Arena .1:30 p.m.
Stick Horse Rodeo..... .....Aprox. 2 p.m.
Bingo.... 2 p.m. - Close
Conservation Station ... . 3-7 p.m.
Carnival Opens .... 3-10 p.m.
Ag Learning Center .... 4-8 p.m.
Poultry Show....4 p.m.
Meet a Farmer - Sheep .....5:30 p.m.
4-H Working Exhibits.. .....6 p.m.
Tri-State Tractor Pull, Grandstand ..6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

Senior Citizen Day & Veterans Day *($5 Daily Admission).*. ....All Day
4H/FFA Beef Show, Livestock Arena. 9 a.m.
Bucket / Bottle Calf Show, ...following Beef Show
4-H Exhibit Buildings Open.. .... 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Ag Learning Center .... 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
Face painting, Commercial Building ... . 11 a.m.- 5 p.m.
Meet a Farmer- Grain/ Forage ....11 a.m.
Free Lunch, Shelter House, *Sponsored by NSB Bank* .....Noon
Carnival Opens ....Noon-10 p.m.
Carnival Ride Wrist Band Special..... ..... 1-5 p.m.
Cowboy & Cowgirl Corral, Ag Learning Center ..... 1-3 p.m.
4H/FFA Dairy Show, Livestock Arena 2 p.m.
Bingo.....2 p.m.-close
Ag Learning Center .... 4-8 p.m.
Meet the Farmer - Produce .... 5:30 p.m.
4-H Style Show & Awards, Shelter House, 4-H Award Program (State Pictures following in 4-H Building). 6 p.m.
Demo Derby, Grandstand..... 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

Church Service, Shelter House ..... 9 a.m.
Open Fun Horse Show, Horse Arena Pleasure Classes & Games 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.
4-H Exhibit Buildings Open .... 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Baby Contest Check-in Shelter House..... .....10:30 a.m.
Baby Contest, Shelter House ..... 11 a.m.
Ag Learning Center Kiddie Barn .... 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Barn Interviews, Livestock Arena11 a.m.
Beef BBQ, Shelter House, *Sponsored by Worth County Cattlemen*.. .....Noon
4-H/FFA Goat Show, Show Arena.....Noon
4-H/FFA Sheep Show.. ..... 1 p.m.
Bingo....2 p.m. - Close
Pedal Pull ..... Registration 2:30 p.m.
Pull Begins ..... 3 p.m.
Kevin Horner, Ventriloquist, Shelter House ..... 5 p.m.
All Open Class & floral released ... 5 p.m.
4-H Building Exhibits Released ..... 5 p.m.
Figure 8 Racing, Grandstand..... 6 p.m.
4-H Teen Dance, Shelter House..... .....8-10 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 19

4-H Livestock Ribbon Sale Livestock Arena..... .....6:30 p.m.

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lowing the regular versions of those shows.

Friday's Horse Show will also include a chance for kids to show off their toy horse riding skills with a Stick Horse Rodeo, held at the Horse Arena at about 2 p.m.

Another chance to practice horse and bull-handling skills comes on Saturday from 1-3 p.m. with the Cowboy and Cowgirl Corral, held at the Ag Learning Center.

And while there isn't a version of lamb-riding for older kids, there is another chance for the younger crowd to show of their animal-handling skills with mutton busting tonight (Wednesday) at 7 p.m., with registration open from 4-6 p.m.

Thursday gives a chance for young people to show off their farm vehicle handling abilities, with the Farm Bureau Operator's Contest, held at 3 p.m. north of the Quonset building and the Grandstand.

Friday night brings the Tri-State Tractor Pull to the grandstand. Meanwhile, Sunday afternoon brings young people a change to pull with the pedal pull, with registration at 2:30 and the pull starting outside the shelter house at 3 p.m.

On Sunday, local babies will have their own version of the Fair Queen Competition, with a few unique categories for the babies, like chubby cheeks, pretty eyes and most hair. The Baby Contest will be held on Sunday at 11 a.m. in the shelter house.

Throughout the fair, Nick's Kids Show will offer a chance for kids to be entertainers, with young people invited to take the stage.

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Mikesell will serve this sentence concurrently with the previous sentencing imposed.

Mikesell has also been fined $1,025 which was suspended. Additionally, it has been determined that Mikesell cannot reasonably pay restitution.

Mikesell's previous probation was also revoked, with any unserved probation imposed and to be served by Mikesell.

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opts out of ambulance transportation.

Loberg said that the border at which there would be no charge had not been set, but may be the Mason City limits.

Leaders from the townships of Danville, Lincoln and Union, and the cities of Grafton and Manly plan to consider their options and make agreements with the MCFD to provide ambulances in the area. That may included forming an EMS district, allowing some additional funding options.

That may also include the City of Kensett, where the city council has been approached by the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company (NVFC), but has not yet acted on an agreement.

The other portion of the county without agreements in place includes a portion of Danville Township and Bristol, Fertile and Silver Lake townships and the cities of Fertile, Hanlontown and Joice.

They will likely continue with the Lake Mills and Forest City ambulance services. The Forest City Ambulance Service had submitted a request for $40,000. That would cover their rapid paramedic response service, which dispatches to arrive on the scene in advance of an ambulance's arrival.

At the May 29 meeting, supervisor Mark Smeby said that he planned to gather representatives of those townships and cities to provide information to help them reach potential agreements with the FCAS.

The remainder of the county's coverage includes the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company, which has signed agreements with Barton, Brookfield, Deer Creek, Grove, Hartland and Kensett townships, as well as the city of Northwood.

In other business at the meeting, the supervisors considered a request to waive interest on unpaid taxes. While somewhat rare, the request was made for the family of a county employee, creating some concern about the perception of favoritism by the County.

The property in question had unpaid property taxes of $3,288, with $2,740 in interest and $32 and related costs. A County employee had requested on behalf of their parents to waive the interests and costs, to allow them to get current on property taxes and to help them keep up to date in the future.

According to county officials, requests and situations like this were rare, but had happened in the past.

As supervisor AJ Stone vocalized, the request wasn't unheard of, but he was wary that waiving the other costs would be viewed as favoritism for the family of a county employee.

County auditor Jacki Backhaus said that at least the couple in question wanted to make an effort to be up to date on their taxes.

That echoed advice from county attorney Jeff Greve.

The supervisors approved waiving the interest and other costs.

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David Capitani, Mike Crozier, Steve Hartman, Colette Ubben , Beth Butler, Brian Costello, Kimberly Odegaard, and Megan Petznick. Community members on the committee consist of Kris Woltzen, Alyssa Peterson, Mark Skellenger, Addie Rugland, Dennis Johnson, and Deanna Madsen.

The meeting began with discussion about Social Emotional Learning (SEL) led by Amy Hansen and Colette Ubben. The two spoke about Character Counts assemblies, middle school life skills and the guest speakers the district hosted for 6th - 12th grade students. Those guest speakers included Thomas Valles, who was brought in with the help of the Mercy Health grant, and VJ Smith, who was sponsored by Farmers State Bank.

As the committee looked forward to next year, it was noted that middle school and high school students and staff will view the documentary "7 Yards: The Chris Norton Story." Additionally Norton will speak to staff and students. Chris Norton is originally from Bondurant, Iowa. Chris played football collegiately at Luther College, where he suffered from a spinal injury. Chris will address social emotional learning for staff and students.

Beth Butler and Kimberly Odegaard spoke about Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP) data. It was noted that N-K students consistently perform at, or slightly above, state average. It was also noted that after this year's scores it appears that N-K students are back to where they were on average before COVID-19.

Mr. Fritz addressed the committee about vaping. Vaping is an epidemic across the country, and N-K is not immune to the issue. Mr. Fritz confiscated many vaping devices over the course of the school year including but not limited to at school, at school events, and on school buses. The committee is working district wide to increase education about the dangers of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs.



JAKE SPRINGER AND KORY JASPERS

Training and new gear for NVFC

In recent weeks, the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company has practiced using their equipment, as pictured above. They took their vehicles and equipment to the fairgrounds in May to test out their equipment and their skills. At the end of May, the NVFC also put its new turnout gear into service. It was configured by a NVFC committee with specific equipment layout and personalized nameplates. There were 25 sets purchased for current members using WCDA funds.

El Nino's arrival and its potential Iowa impacts

The expected El Nino has emerged, according to scientists at NOAA's Climate Prediction Center, a division of the National Weather Service. In the monthly outlook released on June 8, 2023, forecasters issued an El Nino Advisory, noting that El Nino conditions are present and are expected to gradually strengthen into the winter.

El Nino is a natural phenomenon marked by warmer-than-average sea surface temperatures in the central and eastern Pacific Ocean near the equator, which occurs on average every 2-7 years. El Nino's impacts on the climate extend far beyond the Pacific Ocean.

"Depending on its strength, El Nino can cause a range of impacts, such as increasing the risk of heavy rainfall and droughts in certain locations around the world." said Michele L'Heureux, climate scientist at the Climate Prediction Center. "Climate change can exacerbate or mitigate certain impacts related to El Nino. For example, El Nino could lead to new records for temperatures, particularly in areas that already experience above-average temperatures during El Nino."

El Nino's influence on the U.S. is weak during the summer and more pronounced starting in the late fall through spring. By winter, there is an 84% chance of greater than a moderate strength El Nino, and a 56% chance of a strong El Nino developing. Typically, moderate to strong El Nino conditions during the fall and winter result in wetter-than-average conditions from southern California to along the Gulf Coast and drier-than-average conditions in the Pacific Northwest and Ohio Valley. El Nino winters also bring better chances for warmer-than-average temperatures across the northern tier of the country.

Based upon data from the last 18 El Nino years, warmer temperatures tend to occur a little more than half of the time in Iowa. So warmer temperatures might be expected, but are not guaranteed. Iowa as a state tends to see above normal precipitation in the western part of the state, but generally normal precipitation elsewhere when all El Nino data years are considered.

Some El Nino events have been more intense than others. With the more intense years, increased precipitation can be expected. Iowa trends wetter during the strong episodes. It trends toward being wetter in the fall, which carries over into the height of winter, then normalizing by spring.

A single El Nino event will not result in all of these impacts, but El Nino increases the odds of them occurring.

The anticipated persistence of El Nino also contributed to the 2023 Atlantic and Eastern Pacific Hurricane Outlooks issued by NOAA last month. El Nino conditions usually help to suppress Atlantic Hurricane activity, while the presence of El Nino typically favors strong hurricane activity in the central and eastern Pacific Basins.

Scientists have been forecasting the development of El Nino for the last few months and issued the first El Nino Watch on April 13.

Homestead tax credit and exemption applications due July 1

On May 4, Governor Kim Reynolds signed House File 718, establishing a homestead tax exemption for claimants 65 years of age or older.

In addition to the original homestead tax credit, eligible claimants who own the home they live in and are 65 years of age or older on or before January 1 of the assessment year are now eligible for a homestead tax exemption. For the assessment year beginning on January 1, 2023, the exemption is for $3,250 of taxable value. For assessment years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, the exemption is for $6,500 of taxable value. An exemption is a reduction in the taxable value of the property rather than a direct reduction in the amount of property tax you pay.

The Iowa Department of Revenue has amended the original Homestead Tax Credit and Exemption (54-028) form to allow claimants to apply for the new exemption. Applications are due July 1 to the local assessor. If the exemption is granted, the exemption will be allowed for future years without future filing as long as the claimant continues to qualify.

Application forms can be found at the Assessor's office in the Worth County courthouse in Northwood.

More information and questions are available by contacting the Assessor's office at 641-324-1198 or emailing assessor@worth county.org.

The deadline to apply is July 1, 2023.

WCHS meets on June 20

The Worth County Historical Society will meet on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at the Northwood Museum at 9:30 am. Everyone is welcome.

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Davidson named to USF Spring 2023 Dean's List

Clara Davidson from Northwood was named to the University of Sioux Falls Spring 2023 Dean's List. Davidson is majoring in Theology & Biblical Studies.

Davidson was among more than 550 students named to the Spring 2023 Dean's List. To qualify, students must be enrolled in at least 12 semester hours and earn a term GPA of 3.5 or greater on a 4.0 scale.

Allen named to the Spring 2023 Dean's List at The College of St. Scholastica

Julie Allen of Glenville was named to the Spring 2023 Dean's List at The College of St. Scholastica in Duluth, Minnesota.

Dean's List members have achieved a 3.75 grade point average or above on a 4.0 scale. The College of St. Scholastica commended Julie for honorable academic achievements.

ISU announces spring semester 2023 Dean's List

More than 9,800 Iowa State University students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the spring semester Dean's List. Students named to the Dean's List must have earned a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

Local students listed include Kelsie Arlene Kinne, year 4, Liberal Studies, and Jenna Esther Nelson, 4, Biochemistry of Hanlontown; Marli Ann Backhaus, 2, Elementary Education, of Kensett; Cecelia Susan Hill, 2, Kinesiology and Health, Kimberly M. Klooster, 3, World Languages and Cultures, Hannah Lanphere, 4, Animal Science, and Mya Nicole O'Connell, 4, Chemical Engineering of Manly; and Emma L. Davidson, 2, Agronomy, Kennedy Kaye Eskildsen, 4, Animal Science and Hayden Michael Moore, 2, Finance of Northwood.

Iowa State honors spring graduates

Nearly 4,600 graduates received degrees from Iowa State University this spring. Graduate and undergraduate commencement ceremonies were held May 11-13 at Hilton Coliseum.

Following are graduates from the area, including Alicia Ulve, Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology and Health of Manly; and Molly Hunchis, Bachelor of Science, Event Management, Cum Laude, Samuel Kliment, Bachelor of Science, Construction Engineering, Julia Quisley, Bachelor of Science, Agricultural Business, Magna Cum Laude, and Julia Quisley, Bachelor of Science, Agronomy, Magna Cum Laude, of Northwood.

Morningside University announces spring 2023 Dean's List

Morningside University Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Chris Spicer announced the 446 students named to the Dean's List for the spring semester of the 2022-23 academic year.

The Dean's List recognizes Morningside students who achieve a 3.67-grade point average or better and complete at least 12 credits of coursework with no grade below a "C-."

Local students include Ryan Cole of Plymouth.



A fair garden

A few weeks before the fair began, and before the school year ended, students in Northwood-Kensett fifth grade classes walked to the Worth County fairgrounds to get hands on while learning about plants and planting. ISU Extension staff and area master gardeners were there to provide their advice and expertise for the students. The 4-H garden has been relocated and can now be found on the south side of the grandstand fence.

Free airplane rides for youth ages 8-17

This Saturday, June 17, Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Vintage Chapter #13 will host a Young Eagles Flight Rally from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Albert Lea Airport, 400 Airport Road, Albert Lea, Minnesota.

Volunteer pilots will give free airplane rides to youth ages 8 to 17. A parent must be present to sign the permission form. Flights begin at 8 a.m. with registration ending at 11 a.m.

Launched in 1992, the Young Eagles program has dedicated 30 years to giving youth ages 8–17 their first free ride in an airplane. It's the only program of its kind, with the sole mission to introduce and inspire kids in the world of aviation. Today, over 2.3 million young people have enjoyed free introductory flights through the Young Eagles program. These flights are made possible through the generosity of EAA member volunteers. The pilots participating in the Young Eagles program are local members of EAA who are volunteering their time and aircraft to make your youth's flight possible. Each pilot is certificated by the FAA and all aircraft are likewise licensed by the government.

Following the flight each youth will receive a certificate and logbook making them an official Young Eagle. Each Young Eagle is eligible for a student membership in EAA.

Parents can register their children for the Albert Lea Rally at the website https:/yeday.org.

Contact Denise Sandager at 507-402-7259 with questions or for more information.

Northwood-Kensett
Middle School / High School

The students listed below have made the Honor Roll for the Second Semester of the 2022-2023 school year. To be eligible, students must have Honors of 3.6 or better for their subjects.

High Honors

9 Bewley, Alex
9 Ducommun, Alec
9 Hanson, Merrin
9 Heiken, Zachary
9 Willand, Weston
10 Backhaus, Kamryn
10 Hoeppner, Breyden
10 Thorson, Macy
11 Bremer, Luisa
11 Conlin, Kenny
11 Costello, Chloe
11 Hanson, Madalynn
11 Hengesteg, Emma
11 Moore, Lindsey
11 Peterson, Damaris
11 Wahl, Reese**
12 Beland, Jadyn
12 Christianson, Kennedy
12 Hackenmiller, Teagan
12 Hanson, Nicholas
12 Johnson, Teagan
12 Logeman, Dalton
12 Shoger, Peyton
12 Sims, Lamonte

Honors

9 Berry, Kenedie
9 Manning, Logan
9 Mosher, Lexy
9 Petznick, Lauren
9 Rye, Sophie
9 Wahl, Emersyn**
10 Bice, Aden
10 Eskildsen, Colby
10 Hackenmiller, Topanga
10 Julseth, Kooper
10 Kelly, Walt
10 Krambeer, Hailey
10 Obregon, Jose
10 Orth, Austin
10 Rollene, Ashlynn
10 Tiedemann, Trent
11 Halbach, Marisa
11 Hanson, Haddie
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6 Schoon, Rylee
6 Skellenger, Avarie
6 Urbatsch, Ivy
7 Fierova, Mia
7 Hanson, Hallie
7 Johnson, Maya
7 Smith, Maci
7 Thorson, Bailey
7 Toresdahl, Ivy
8 Bode, Ariah
8 Bode, Kale
8 Skellenger, Ashlyn
8 Willsher, Olivia

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6 Binnebose, Owen
6 Christianson, Madeline
6 Duvall, Tucker
6 Franck, Kaylee
6 Gentz, Casey
6 Hanson, Henry
6 Heims, Weston
6 Helgeson, Tyce
6 Krambeer, Hixton
6 Logeman, Harley
6 Ludington, Atticus
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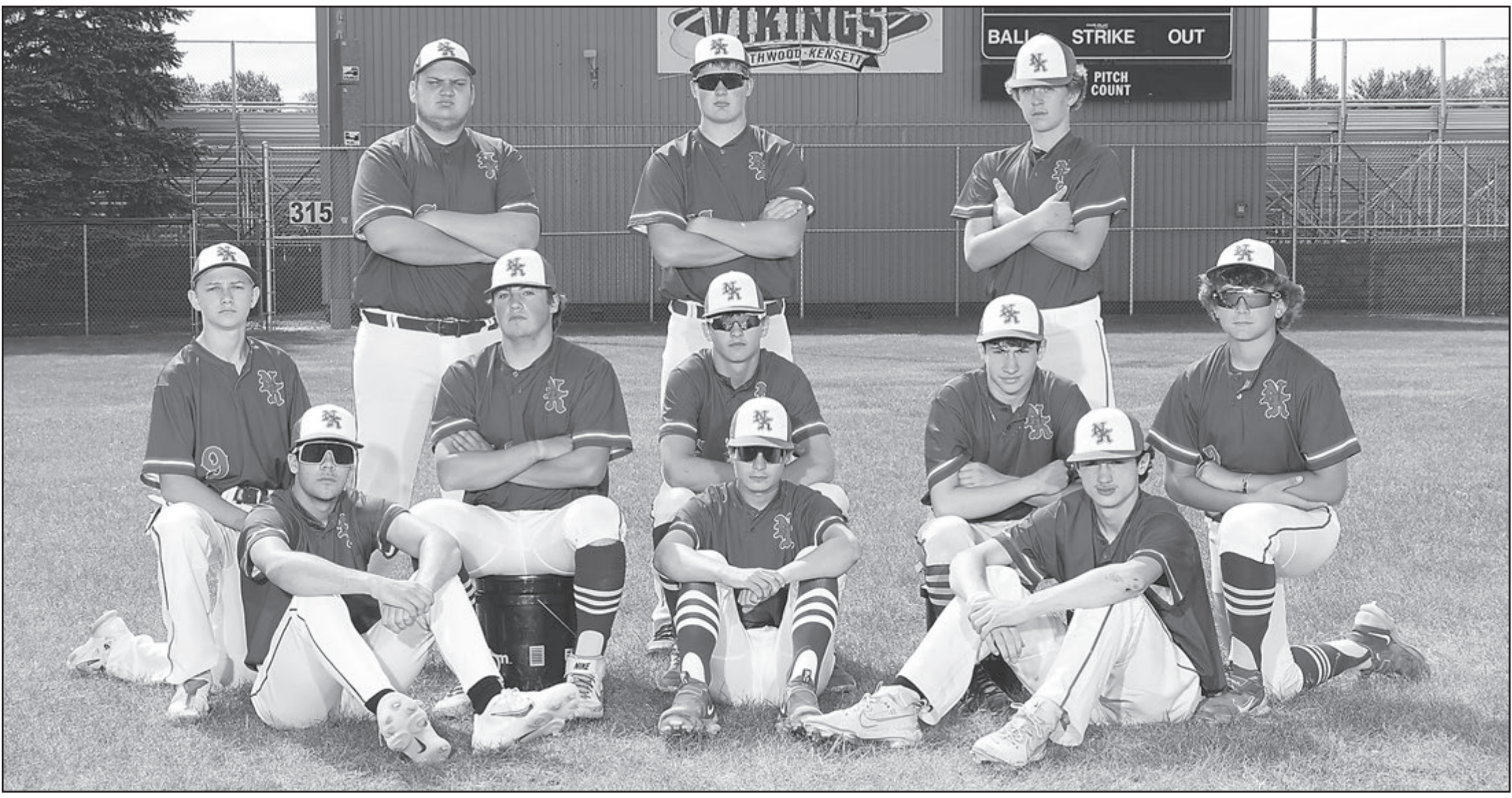
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N-K Varsity Baseball Team

Members of the Northwood-Kensett baseball team include (in front, from left) Bowan Behne, Aden Bice, Jace Lindberg, (middle row) Camden Trenhaile, Justin Mills, Evan Lorenzen, Michael Janssen, Brady Christianson, (back row) Noah Woltzen, Nolan Senne and Caysen Chodur.



N-K Junior Varsity Baseball team

Members of the Northwood-Kensett softball team include (front row, from left) Quinton Butler, Hunter Janssen, (middle row) Kaiden Machin, Brady Christianson, Aden Bice, Noah Woltzen, Caleb LaPoint, (back row) Breydin Meyer, Camden Trenhaile, Caysen Chodur and Carson Tufte.

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Day camp at First Lutheran Church

Last week First Lutheran Church in Northwood hosted more than 140 young people for its annual day camp. That includes singing, crafting, traveling to playgrounds and a day of water activities. With the Northwood pool closed, the campers found other watery activities. The campers were also invited to share some of the music they learned at Sunday's worship service.

Park gazebo no longer option for vandals to hide out

One of the Swensrud Park staples, its gazebo, is receiving some work after damage and some unexpected use.

An exact history of the Swensrud Park gazebo was not found in the Anchor archives, but the oldest photos suggest it was built before 1910.

Historical photos also show that it was also formerly a two story structure.

More recently, vandals may have damaged the structure and inadvertently created their own first floor.

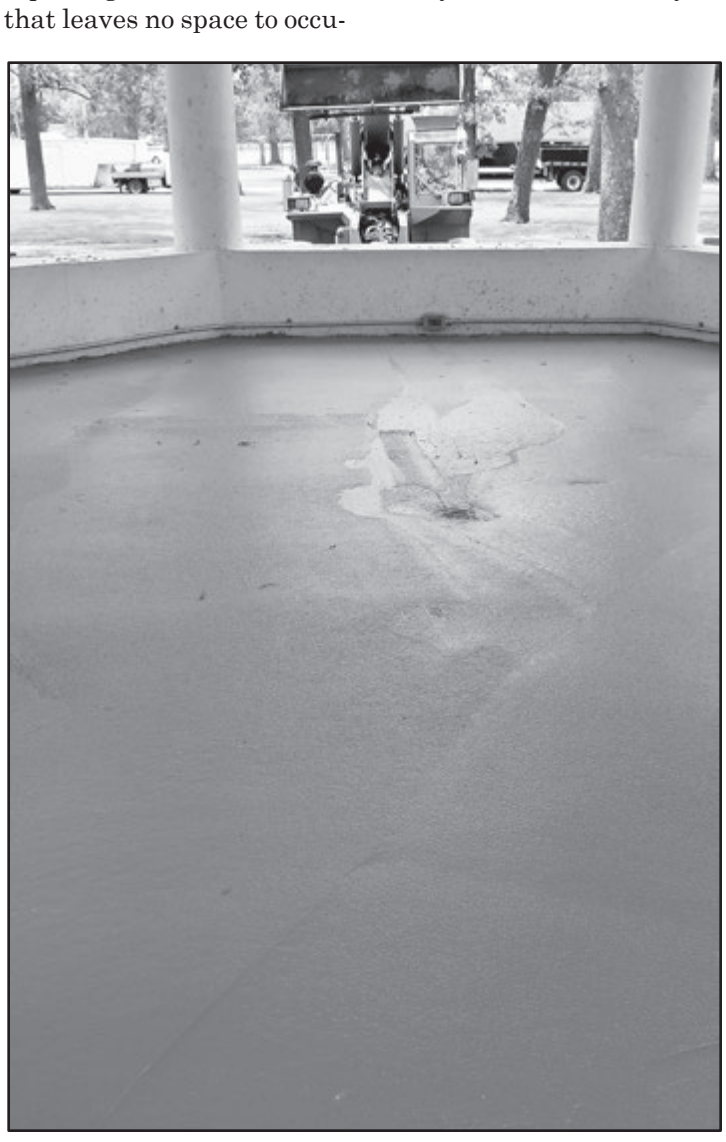
Apparently, at some time before this past winter, it is expected that someone took one of the rocks out of the nearby shelter house and used it to bash in the grate that was formerly at the center of the gazebo floor.

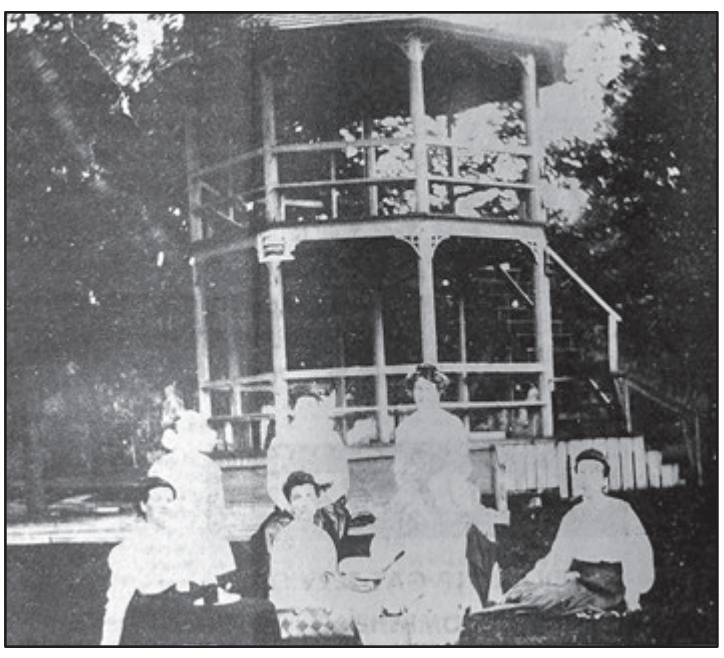
Once that was done, the person or persons damaged the floor enough that they could find themselves in the space beneath, where evidence was found that someone had spent time inside.

Apparently, the damage and hiding space were discovered when the city's public works crew went to remove a piece of plywood and found the full extent of the damage.

Recently Northwood's Springer Construction removed the damaged material and some of the floor's support structure, replacing it with material that leaves no space to occupy. A new cement flooring was then put in place.

Some other aesthetic efforts are planned to be done in time for the park's use by the Fourth of July.





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Pastor Cory Allard

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Northwood United Methodist Church

Thursday Northwood Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday, Joint Worship Service at Worth County Fairgrounds, 9 a.m.; Tuesday, Swallow Coffee House, 10 a.m.

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Wednesday, Staff Meeting, 11 a.m., SH Youth, 7 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Group, 9 a.m., Taekwondo, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Community Worship at the Worth County Fairgrounds, 9 a.m., JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, AA-Al-Anon, 7 p.m.

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A Tribute to Good Fathers



Too often, good fathers are the unsung heroes of their families. They work long and hard to provide for their families, and they strive to set a good example for their children concerning responsibility, morality, and what it truly means to be a good person. They are the wise counselors and brave protectors of their families, and they do this humbly and without begrudging the very significant sacrifices which they often must make. A good father rules and guides his family at the same time as he serves it. A good father will instruct and admonish his children with patience and gentle firmness, making sure that they know right from wrong, all the while making sure that he always sets a good moral example himself. When a good father makes a decision about his family, he will do so unselfishly, thinking only of what is best for his family. Oftentimes, when a man becomes a father he may be forced to give up his personal aspirations and dreams of his youth in order to be a good father. But, a good father will do this without complaining of the sacrifice. And although not every man can live up to the ideals of the good father, those who do inspire us with their quiet heroism and self-sacrifice. We should tell our fathers how much they mean to us and let them know how much their sacrifice is appreciated, and how much we value their counsel.

Hear, O sons, a father's instruction, and be attentive, that you may gain insight; for I give you good precepts: do not forsake my teaching.
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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

Merrillan, Wisconsin, is a tiny village. In 2020, at the height of its population boom, 644 people lived there. In 1990, with a population of 555, the United Methodist Church published a cookbook; I found a copy at a used book store this week. It's simply titled "Merrillan United Methodist Church Cookbook" (Heins Publication, Eau Claire, Wisconsin) This is a typical, tried and true collection of recipes but it's amazing that such a tiny community could pull together a book that contains 324 pages of typewritten submissions. There are also hand-drawn illustrations; a genuine labor of love from the cooks of Merrillan. Since most people love desserts, the following recipes are adapted from the chapter titled "Cakes, Frostings and Fillings."

Apple Pie Cake
(Genny Eddy)

1 cup white sugar
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1/4 cup shortening
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 large egg at room temperature
2 cups chopped apples
1 teaspoon real vanilla extract
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup all purpose flour
2 teaspoons very hot water

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Dissolve the baking soda in the hot water, stirring well. Cream together the sugar and shortening. Add the egg, mixing well. Add the flour, apples, nuts, vanilla, spices and baking soda water. Pour into a greased 9-inch pie pan and bake for 45 minutes. You can double the recipe and use a regular round cake pan. Serve topped with real whipped cream.

Orange Carrot Cake
(Linda Holman)

2 cups white sugar
2 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
3 large eggs, room temperature
1 cup shredded coconut
1 1/4 cups vegetable oil
2 teaspoons real vanilla
3 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup grated carrots
2 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
1 teaspoon grated orange rind
1 can (11 oz.) Mandarin oranges, undrained
1 teaspoon salt

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Grease a 9x13-inch baking dish. When measuring the flour, lightly spoon it into a measuring cup to get the required amount. In a large bowl, blend all the ingredients, beating with an electric mixer at the highest speed. This will crush up the orange pieces. Beat for 2 minutes the pour into the prepared pan. Bake 45-55 minutes or until a wooden toothpick inserted into the center of the cake comes out clean. Cool and frost with cream cheese frosting, either canned or homemade.

White Fruit Cake
(Mary Jane Sutton)

SANDY'S NOTE: This recipe gives only the ingredients, no instructions. It's a strange one so I decided I could figure out how to add the steps to create this dessert. Hope it works out!

1/2 pound real butter, softened
5 large eggs, room temperature
1 cup white sugar
1 pound candied pineapple
1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
3/4 pound candied cherries
4 cups chopped walnuts
1/2 oz. lemon extract
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 oz. real vanilla extract

Cream together the butter and sugar until fluffy. Add the eggs and blend well. Add the two extracts. Beat in the dry ingredients until a dough forms. Add the remaining ingredients, mixing well. Pour this mixture into a greased angel food cake pan. Place in a COLD oven, turn the oven to 250 degrees F. and bake the cake for THREE hours.

There were several recipes in this book that give no details about how to make the cake. It was probably assumed that most cooks who bought the book would know how to make things turn out well! Give the fruit cake a try and let me know if you enjoyed it. I have always felt a fruitcake should have more fruit than cake and this is one of that type. I would also add about 1/2 cup of chopped walnuts to the mix. It might be one to enter into the fair! And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society



Five generations

There are more than 99 years between four-week-old Kendyl Hertel and her great-great-grandmother Pauline Odegaard-Field, who is 100 years old pictured holding baby Kendyl. Pictured in back are great-grandpa Roger Odegaard and grandma Lisa Odegaard-Wangsness and kneeling in front is mom Erika Hertel.

Grassley announces traveling officer hours

The staff of Senator Chuck Grassley will hold traveling office hours in 19 counties throughout Iowa during the month of June. Iowans seeking assistance regarding a personal issue with a federal agency or wishing to share views on matters of federal policy may stop by during the scheduled hours.

Grassley will be represented by his regional directors, Laney Feight of Des Moines, Jonathan Bladt of Council Bluffs, Jacob Bossman of Sioux City and Matt Rector of Waterloo. Senator Grassley will not be in attendance.

Grassley's state offices regularly help constituents contact federal agencies to resolve problems with Social Security payments, military service matters, immigration cases, veteran benefits, IRS challenges and other issues. Iowans can also seek assistance via Grassley's website.

"My top priority is to serve the people of Iowa, and traveling office hours is one way of doing that. Throughout the year, my regional staff help Iowans work through issues they have with the federal government. I encourage anyone seeking assistance to stop by my staff's office hours in their area. Iowans are always welcome to reach out directly to any of my offices throughout the year," Grassley said.

On Tuesday, June 20, Regional Director Jonathan Bladt will be in Worth County from 1–2 p.m. at the Northwood Public Library, 906 First Avenue S.



Learning about gardening

Another example of gardening will be on display at this week's Worth County Fair. Earlier in May, master gardener and Worth County Extension Council treasurer Peter Julseth led a Bucket of Flowers Workshop. Each 4-H'er was asked to bring their own bucket and Julseth helped guide them in preparing their floral arrangements. The results are on display in the 4-H Exhibit Building.

Courthouse Bible reading marathon set for June 29-July 4

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

A proclamation from Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds encourages each of Iowa's counties to read Genesis to Revelations on courthouse lawns, set for the eighth year.

The public is invited to read on the Worth County courthouse lawn between June 29 and July 4 this year.

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

People may choose the day and time they'd like to read. They can bring a lawn chair, golf cart or car to read in, but are asked to read aloud, either one at a time or different chapters or verses simultaneously.

ACT to perform 'Cinderella' from June 15-25

Albert Lea Community Theatre (ACT) concludes its 57th season with the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "Cinderella" at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center on June 15–25.

The timeless enchantment of a magical fairy tale is reborn with the Rodgers and Hammerstein hallmarks of originality, charm and elegance. Originally presented on television in 1957 starring Julie Andrews, it has been adapted for the stage with great warmth and more than a touch of hilarity. The hearts of children and adults alike still soar when the glass slipper fits. This classic tale features Rodgers and Hammerstein's most beloved songs, including "In My Own Little Corner," "Impossible/It's Possible" and "Ten Minutes Ago."

"Cinderella," directed by Gordy Handeland with musical direction by Eileen Ness, will be performed at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center in downtown Albert Lea on June 15-18 and 21-25. Shows start at 7:30 p.m., with the Sunday, June 18 and 25, matinees at 2 p.m.

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

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Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Savvy Senior

Health insurance options after a spouse retires

Dear Savvy Senior,

My 63-year-old wife, who's doesn't work, is on my health insurance plan through my employer. When I retire next month and go on Medicare, what are our options for getting her health coverage until she turns 65? Is there some kind of Medicare coverage for dependent spouses?

Need Insurance

Dear Need,

Unfortunately, Medicare does not provide family coverage to younger spouses or dependent children when you qualify for Medicare. Nobody can obtain Medicare benefits before age 65, unless eligible at a younger age because of disability. With that said, here are your best options for covering your wife.

Affordable Care Act: In most cases, your best choice is to get your wife an individual health insurance policy through the Affordable Care Act (ACA) health insurance Marketplace (a.k.a. Obamacare). The Marketplace offers comprehensive health coverage, and she won't be denied coverage or charged extra for preexisting health conditions.

And thanks to the American Rescue Plan and Inflation Reduction Act, the Marketplace now provides enhanced subsidies through 2025. If your income falls below the 400 percent poverty level after you retire – anything below $73,240 for a couple or $54,360 for a single in 2023 – your wife will be eligible for a tax credit that will reduce the amount you'll have to pay for her policy. The Marketplace also ensures that households with incomes above that 400 percent poverty level will not have to pay more than 8.5 percent of their income for a benchmark policy.

To see how much subsidy you may be eligible for, use Kaiser Family Foundation calculator at KFF.org/interactive/subsidy-calculator.

To shop for Marketplace plans in your state, visit HealthCare.gov or call 800-318-2596. Or, if you want some extra help, contact a Marketplace-certified agent or broker at HealthCare.gov/find-assistance.

COBRA: Another option is the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA), which is a federal law that would allow your wife to remain with your company insurance plan for at least 18 months after you make the switch to Medicare. But not every employer plan is COBRA eligible. Contact your employer benefits administrator to find out if yours is one of them.

You also need to be aware that COBRA is not cheap, requiring you to pay the full monthly premium yourself. But, if you've already met or nearly met your employer plan's deductible or out-of-pocket maximum for the year, and don't want your wife to start over with a new plan; or if you find your employer's health plan to be more affordable than the Marketplace plans, it makes sense for your wife to keep her current coverage under COBRA.

Short-Term Health Insurance: If you can't find an affordable Marketplace plan and COBRA is too expensive, the next option is short-term health insurance. These plans, which are not available in every state, are cheaper, bare-bones health plans that provide coverage for one to 12 months and may be renewed for up to three years in some states. But be aware that short-term plans don't comply with the ACA so they can deny sick people coverage, they don't cover preexisting conditions, and they can exclude coverage essentials like prescription drugs.

To find and compare short-term health plans, try sites like eHealthInsurance.com or PivotHealth.com.

Healthcare sharing ministries: One other coverage option you should know about is healthcare sharing ministries (HCSM). These are cost-sharing health plans in which members – who typically share a religious belief – make monthly payments to cover expenses of other members, including themselves.

HCSM's are cheaper than paying full out-of-pocket costs for traditional health insurance but be aware that HCSM's are not health insurance. They don't have to comply with the consumer protections of the ACA. They can also reject or limit coverage for having pre-existing health issues and can limit how much you'll be reimbursed for your medical costs.

To look for HCSM plans, comparison shop at the three largest providers: SamaritanMinistries.org, MyChristianCare.org and Chministries.org.

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

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Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

I talked with a guy the other day who reminded me of my father.

How so?

He told me, "Don't forget your father."

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Deep thoughts occur as I drive past his drive. Barn swallows had gotten all swoopy. They worship the lawnmowers that chase up insects for them to eat. I stopped at a Buc-ee's in Texas where a worshipped mower was working. Buc-ee's has travel centers in over 50 locations, the majority in Texas. People flock there for the gas, BBQ, jerky, fudge, sweatshirts, souvenirs, a cartoon Bucky Beaver mascot, brisket, pickled eggs, Beaver Nuggets (caramel popcorn) and nearly everything else. Buc-ee's claims the world's largest gas station in New Braunfels, Texas, and the longest car wash in Katy, Texas. The most attraction for me was the restroom. It was lovely.

In an eye blink, I was bunking in a lovely hotel in Ohio (round on the ends and high in the middle). I enjoyed being in the Buckeye State. The temperature attempted to exceed the 80s as I climbed into bed and the air conditioning screamed and then began to whimper. I tried to tough it out until it emitted a smell of fried wiring. I hoofed it down three floors to the front desk. They gave me another room identical to the first. Life is good—if you can keep your cool.

I've learned

If I'm headed home with hot food in the car, flocks of farm tractors pulling wide loads suddenly appear ahead of me.

Two heads are better than one unless you're buying a hat.

Women spend more time wondering what men are thinking than men spend thinking.

Every flight is a long flight.

Lollygagging burns calories.

More people carry a phone than carry a handkerchief.

Green lights die early. Red lights live forever.

The more things change, the more they don't stay the same.

Bad jokes department

I have a coat that John Phillips wore when he sang with The Mamas & The Papas. All the sleeves are brown.

What do you call a dog floating in a lake? A good buoy.

What is blue and smells like red paint? Blue paint.

Never take your pet rock for granite.

Ask Al

"How do you know when you're a grown-up?" When either your dirty dishes or your laundry pile is taller than you are.

"What do most cars run on?" Credit cards.

"What is the book 'Where the Wild Things Are' about?" It's a story about what's found under beds.

"How can I tell the difference between an alligator and a crocodile?" You'll see an alligator later and a crocodile in a while.

Nature notes

What was that bird you heard? If there were only an app that could tell you. There is a free app. It's called Merlin, created by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. One of the app's features is called Sound ID, which analyzes audio in real time. Discover feathered neighbors by opening the app, clicking "Sound ID" and pressing the microphone icon. The app records all sounds, suggesting bird identifications. It's that simple.

Canada geese bachelors and bachelorettes, along with those that lost nests early in the breeding season are undertaking a molt migration northward to large bodies of water where they feel safe as they molt their wing feathers. Many will return in September and October.

Lilacs are one of spring's billboards and harbingers of summer. With their lush scent and lovely blooms, lilacs reach their peak in late May to early June. Lilacs are native to Europe and Asia, but have found homes in Minnesota and Iowa. They bloom for 10 to 14 days, depending on the weather, and have a distinctive sweet fragrance. They're old-fashioned homestead favorites and often mark where a farmstead once existed. The lilacs survived long after the people had left.

Some other non-native plants in Minnesota include: birdsfoot trefoil, spotted knapweed, bull thistle, Canada thistle, common tansy, common teasel, crown and hairy vetch, creeping Charlie, garlic mustard, leafy spurge, orange hawkweed, oxeye daisy, Queen Anne's lace, white and yellow sweet clover, wild parsnip, reed canary grass (there is a native species), smooth bromegrass, Amur maple, black locust, buckthorn, Japanese barberry, multiflora rose, Tatarian honeysuckle, Norway maple, Russian olive, Siberian elm, Siberian peashrub, winged burning bush, Japanese hops and round leaf bittersweet.

Meeting adjourned

"Kindness is a passport that opens doors and fashions friends. It softens hearts and molds relationships that can last lifetimes."—Joseph B. Wirthlin.

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Fit to print...

An educator in our workplace

By Kris Kenison

Last week, the Northwood Anchor and Manly Signal welcomed a unique intern as a part of a NIACC program to provide area teachers with workplace experiences. In the case of the Anchor and Signal office, that brought Northwood-Kensett language arts teacher Leo Frost to the job.

The program gives area teachers a weeklong job, with the goal of sharing experiences that they can use to help educate their students in the classroom.

For Leo, that meant he had the chance to learn more about how local newspapers work on a day-to-day basis.

After a day of reading and proofreading during the day on Monday he followed that up with an evening with a camera in hand working with sports editor Mike Simmons at the Northwood-Kensett vs. Central Springs ball games that evening.

Leo also joined me on visits to Art Farm Iowa to learn more about a visiting artist and things in the works at the forthcoming art destination.

Later in the week he was there as Northwood welcomed the visitors taking part in the Jefferson Highway Association's conference tour.

He took notes and took pictures before learning more about writing and editing stories and photos, as well as adapting press releases and some of the other ins and out of a week at the newspapers.

Some of his work appears in this week's papers, with courtroom, weather and school news coverage, the Garden Club Week photo and more.

Look for more, including stories with more creative input, shared in coming weeks. He may also be found with a camera or notepad in hand at community events this summer.

We were happy to spend a week with Leo and thankful for the help around and outside the office. We also hope the week was educational for the visiting educator and hope we can help share more learning opportunities in the classroom in the future.

Here is what Leo had to say about the experience:

By Leo Frost

North Iowa Area Community College offers a paid externship called Educator in the Workplace, and this year I was able to take part in it. The business I was placed with was the Northwood Anchor/Manly Signal.

The goal of the externship is to gain an inside understanding of local business, and take what you've learned as an educator and apply it to your classroom. It also allows you to educate your students about opportunities in the community and career ideas.

During my time at the Northwood Anchor I was able to follow around Kris Kenison and learn from him about how he runs the paper. An interesting aspect of the Northwood Anchor is that Kris is not just the main writer and editor, but he also happens to be the owner. This dynamic allows him to see the paper from all angles.

It was a complete learning experience for me to see how the paper operates. It was enlightening as both an educator and as a citizen. Being new to the city of Northwood I was impressed that they had their own publication. It might seem like a simple task to publish a paper once a week, but I can assure you that it is not. Being from a small town myself, I can also mention that having a paper that covers your small town specifically is a tremendous blessing and something that the citizens of Northwood and Worth County should be thankful for.

As a teacher I have always taught a journalism unit with my freshman English classes. Much of what I witnessed at the paper reinforced those ideas and concepts I have tried to teach the students. Things like the layout of an article, investigative reporting, finding sources, giving attribution where needed, etc.. In today's day and age where social media and the internet become flooded with hot takes and unfounded opinions, it is a breath of fresh air to be able to pick up a newspaper from a trusted source and read some unbiased news. It is beneficial for students to learn how to differentiate between what is quality and trusted information and what is being written with a biased slant.

Something that I look forward to researching is how Northwood-Kensett could start their own school publication and multimedia outlet. There are some minor hurdles to getting that done, but I am confident that it could be done and with Kris Kenison as a resource our students would be gaining valuable experience and knowledge.

As an educator I encourage my fellow teachers to look into the NIACC Educator in the Workplace externship for themselves. It was a rewarding experience, and something I would like to do again in the future. Worth County offers many opportunities for students in terms of scholarships, and it is part of our calling to help mentor our students about what possibilities are out there for careers and trades. The NIACC externship can give you an opportunity to learn from the inside about a business in our area.

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Early Files

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Obituaries

100 years ago

June 13, 1923

Many of the older residents of Worth County who remember Hans Langseth when he lived at Kensett will be interested in the following: Fargo, North Dakota, June 9 — from far and wide people came to attend the wedding of Hans Langseth and Martha Hagen, and to see the 17-foot beard of Hans' grandfather. The grandfather — also named Hans Langseth - freshly combed and braided the beard that gave him a world's championship at the Forty-Niners' celebration at Sacramento, California last year.

The annual picnic of the Worth County Farm Bureau will be held in Crescent Park at Northwood on June 23, all day. The bureau was fortunate in securing J.S. Coverdale, secretary of the American Farm Bureau Federation, with Mrs. Robert Engelhart of Spencer, as the other speaker.

Mrs. John Walser of Northwood and Miss Gertrude M. Paschen of Fertile Township were married on June 6 by the Presbyterian pastor at the parsonage in Albert Lea. They came the same evening to Northwood and will be at home after July 1 at the beautiful Walser Farm, in northeast Northwood.

Hon. G.N. Haugen, representative in congress from the Fourth Iowa congressional district, has an L.L.D. now attached to his name. At the commencement exercises of Upper Iowa University Thursday the degree of Doctor of Laws were conferred upon the honorable gentleman from Worth County.

A number of Northwood citizens drove to Joice yesterday and participated in the festivities of the community picnic held in that town. Reports are to the effect that the day was on of pleasure and profit. Speakers, baseball games, band concerts, wrestling match, moving pictures and a bowery dance provided entertainment.

75 years ago

June 10, 1948

Carl E. Arendts will have a formal opening of his remodeled Jefferson Highway garage at Kensett on June 18, when the new Ford cars will be on display. An opportunity to ride in the new Ford will also be given.

There was not enough seating room in the large Emmanuel Lutheran Church at Grafton to accommodate all those who wished to attend the funeral rites, held for Marvin Glassel, 23, who died on June 1, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Glassel, east of Grafton.

Northwood will vote on the proposition of issuing not to exceed $20,000 in bonds for erection of a new town hall on July 8.

Of greatest interest to Republican voters of Worth County at Monday's primary election was the close contest between John S. Veenker of Northwood and Teman O. Gordon of Joice for nomination to the office of state representative. Mr. Gordon won by a margin of 48 votes, according to the unofficial count.

Howard A. Rupert of Cherokee, Iowa, has been engaged as vocational agriculture instructor in the local schools to succeed Everett Frink, who declined re-election after filling the position here for two years. A graduate of Iowa State Teachers College, Mr. Rupert also attended the University of Michigan for six months and was at the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., for one year. Mr. Rupert's teaching experience includes two years at St. Ansgar, two years at Hansell and last year at Dunkerton, Iowa.

The candlelight wedding of Marian Ruth Miller and Kermit Roisen was solemnized in the Emmons Lutheran Church on June 6, at 8 p.m.

Miss Janiece Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson of Northwood, became the bride of Howard Bakken, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ole O. Bakken, also of Northwood, in a marriage ceremony solemnized at the Silver Lake Lutheran Church.

50 years ago

June 14, 1973

The Northwood-Kensett school board discussed the hiring of a football coach at their regular meeting, Superintendent Peterson said he had no applicants for the combined job of English teacher and coach and did not expect any. The board discussed alternatives and advised the superintendent to keep working on the problem. Two other NIC schools, Osage and Buffalo Center, are also seeking football coaches.

About three dozen women participated in a seminar for minor car maintenance and repair on June 6, sponsored by the Worth County Extension Service. Because of the nice weather, the sessions were held on the elementary school grounds in Northwood. Instructors for the seminar were Fred Roth, Dale Hull and George Ayers.

Progress is being made on Viking Manor, Inc., with the floor poured and the sidewalk erected. Board members have issued an appeal for the remaining $600 in memberships or donations needed to cover the two percent residual fund. Oren Igou, chairman of the committee, reminded Northwood area residents that the project is a part of the Community Betterment Program. North Iowa Builders is the contractor.

James W. Hackbart, Grafton, was awarded an Angus MacNider Memorial Scholarship in the amount of $500 at the 1973 North Iowa Area Community College Commencement on June 8.

The annual printing of the Worth County Fair premium book will be completed this week at the Northwood Anchor. Assembling the nearly 2,500 books of the 120 page each are Pat Otis, Amy Block, Margaret Johnson and Colleen Otis. Others who assisted, but were not present for the photo were Laurie Swenson, Rhonda Harris and Lori Gangstad. Copies may be picked up beginning next week at the Anchor, the Northwood State Bank, or the Worth County Extension office.

25 years ago

June 17, 1998

Worth County naturalist Dan Block provided the motive power for the canoe in foreground while Girl Scout Jennie Johnson and scout leader Connie Kenison served as oarswomen for the canoe in the background at the Northwood Girl Scout annual Canoe Day at Worth County Lake northeast of Kensett. The county conservation board provided the canoes.

Ryan Meyer and his father Dennis were hard at work refurbishing the Deer Creek 4-H club's food stand at the Worth County Fairgrounds in Northwood. The two-man Deer Creek work detail was only a small part of the force working at the fairgrounds to prepare the site for next week's county fair.

Kristi Mittag of Northwood has received a Marie J. Schalenkamp Memorial Scholarship from the North Iowa Community College Foundation in the amount of $500. A computer science major, Mittag chose to attend NIACC for a variety of reasons. "NIACC has an excellent reputation, class selections and it is close to home," she said. She is the daughter of Ray and Lydia Mittag of Northwood.

Air Force Airman David M. Follmouth has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations. Follmuth is the son of Paul B. And Cindy K. Follmuth of Northwood and is a 1997 graduate of Northwood-Kensett High School.

The Northwood-Kensett varsity baseball team defeated Sheffield-Chapin-Meservey-Thornton in the consolation finals for the Viking baseball tournament. The Vikings downed SCMT 2-0 despite being out-hit (4-2) by the Spartans.

10 years ago

June 12, 2013

Worth County Extension is observing its 100th anniversary in 2013, and this month we are celebrating its director, Dennis Johnson. Johnson says his "spark" into agriculture and vocational agriculture began with his high school vo-ag teacher Howard Rupert. After graduating from Northwood-Kensett and spending his first two years of college at NIACC, Dennis enrolled at Iowa State University, where he obtained bachelor's and master's degrees.

Hayden Olson of Northwood was a spring graduate in Agricultural Geospatial Technology - AAS at Kirkwood Community College on May 18 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The 2013 Northwood-Kensett trap team competed in the top 25 percent at the State of Iowa Trap Shooting Championships held in Cedar Falls on May 31. According to coach Dean Mueller they ranked above 126 teams from other high schools around Iowa with a total of 1,043 shooters.

N-K's Chandler Capitani has come out swinging this softball season, compiling a .400 batting average, which ranks her 14th in the CBC. The talented junior also has 13 runs, 14 hits and three RBI's, and has only struck out once in 35 at bats. Capitani also hit her first varsity home run last week in N-K's 12-9, first ever victory over North Butler.

First baseman Zach Costello stretches to make the play at first base. Unfortunately for Costello and the Vikings it was just one of those days as the runner was called safe, clearly a missed call, one of many on the day.

Matt Tweeten, a member of the Brookfield Boosters 4-H Club, and Rachel Tweeten, a member of the Green Shamrocks 4-H Club, are halter breaking and exercising the lambs they plan to exhibit at the Sheep Show for the upcoming fair. Their dog, Lottie, never misses an opportunity for a ride.

Gary Estes



GARY ESTES

Gary Earl Estes, 70, Clear Lake, died on Sunday, May 28, 2023, at MercyOne, Mason City.

Gary was born on October 20, 1952, to Drexell and Bernice (Low) Estes. He graduated from Northwood-Kensett in 1971 and NIACC in 1973. He retired from Winnebago in 2016.

Gary was a Green Bay Packers fan and loved watching NCIS.

He is survived by his daughters, Megan (Marlon) Bailey and Allison (Michael) Munnings, all of Tomball, Texas; grandchildren, Maxwell and Mason Bailey and Brooklyn and Skylar Munnings; and sister, Connie Buss of Omaha, Neb.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Linda Estes; and brother-in-law, Andrew Buss.

Per Gary's request there will be no service, instead make a toast in his memory. GO PACK GO!!*

Jon 'Minnow' Mitchell



JON MITCHELL

Jon "Minnow" Robert Mitchell, 63, passed away unexpectedly on June 2, 2023, in his home in Kensett, Iowa.

The family had a Celebration of Life from 1 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, June 8, 2023, at the Kensett City Hall, 207 Fifth St., Kensett, Iowa. To honor Jon, the family encouraged casual attire, tie dye, Dallas Cowboys or Iowa Hawkeyes attire to be worn.

Jon was born on August 15, 1959, the son of Charles Arnold and Phyllis Ann (Barker) Mitchell of Kensett, Iowa. He attended school in Northwood and successfully received his GED. Jon worked at Curries for 32 plus years before working for Sukup in Manly for a couple of years.

On April 9, 1988, Jon married Loree Murphy and from this union two children were born, Loren and Angel.

Jon enjoyed making food on the grill and he enjoyed watching racing and football. He was a big fan of the Dallas Cowboys and Iowa Hawkeyes. Jon also loved deer hunting and giving his kids deer jerky, going on airplanes and of course listening to music. He enjoyed giving music trivia asking who it was, when it came out and so on. He was a stubborn smartass who liked to joke around. Jon was known as the "favorite uncle" to his nieces and nephews.

Those left to cherish memories of Jon are his children, Loren and Angel (Trevor Siekmann) Mitchell; former wife, Loree Mitchell; siblings, Russell (Linda) Mitchell, Jerry (Liz) Mitchell, Donald (Brigett) Mitchell, David (Tracy) Mitchell, Barb (Mike) Berge, Emilie (Ward) Willand and Ann (Luke) Hafner.

Jon is preceded in death by both of his parents; brother-in-law, Gary Luther; as well as both parental and paternal grandparents and numerous aunts and uncles.

Danielle Colby



DANIELLE COLBY

Danielle Jo Colby, 33, was welcomed into heaven on Friday, June 9, 2023, after a courageous battle.

Family will be having a Celebration of Life from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Friday, June 16, 2023, at the Swensrud Park, Second Ave. S., Northwood, Iowa.

Danielle was born on June 4, 1990, the daughter of Jerry and Connie (Grimm) Colby of Northwood. She was a graduate of Northwood-Kensett High School.

Those that knew Danielle will remember a bubbly and caring personality, she liked being the center of attention. Danielle loved to be the star of the show, especially when it came to sharing her musical talents with others. She enjoyed singing and had recently just taken up playing the guitar. There weren't a lot of things in the world that Danielle didn't like. She was the type of person that would go the extra mile just to make sure someone else didn't have to take another step. Her smile and contagious laugh is going to be missed by many.

From the age of six she was diagnosed with type one diabetes and she had been a fighter since day one. Danielle believed she was a witch because she was able to fight through so many difficult times in her life. The battle against dying may have been lost but she will not be forgotten.

Those left to cherish memories of Danielle are her daughter, Lillian Beresford; mother, Connie Colby; siblings, Megan (Kyle) Stucky and Anthony Chevez; nieces and nephews, Madylyn, Kamille, Ryder, Xavier, Weston and Ambrose Stucky; aunt, Jeanette (Scott) Hanson; and uncle, Jeff Colby; as well as other extended family and friends.

Danielle was greeted in heaven by her son, Landon Beresford; father, Jerry Colby; brother, Dustin Colby; and her maternal grandmother, Cheri Hallman; paternal grandparents, Dave and Darlene Colby; as well as her cousin, Justina Smith.

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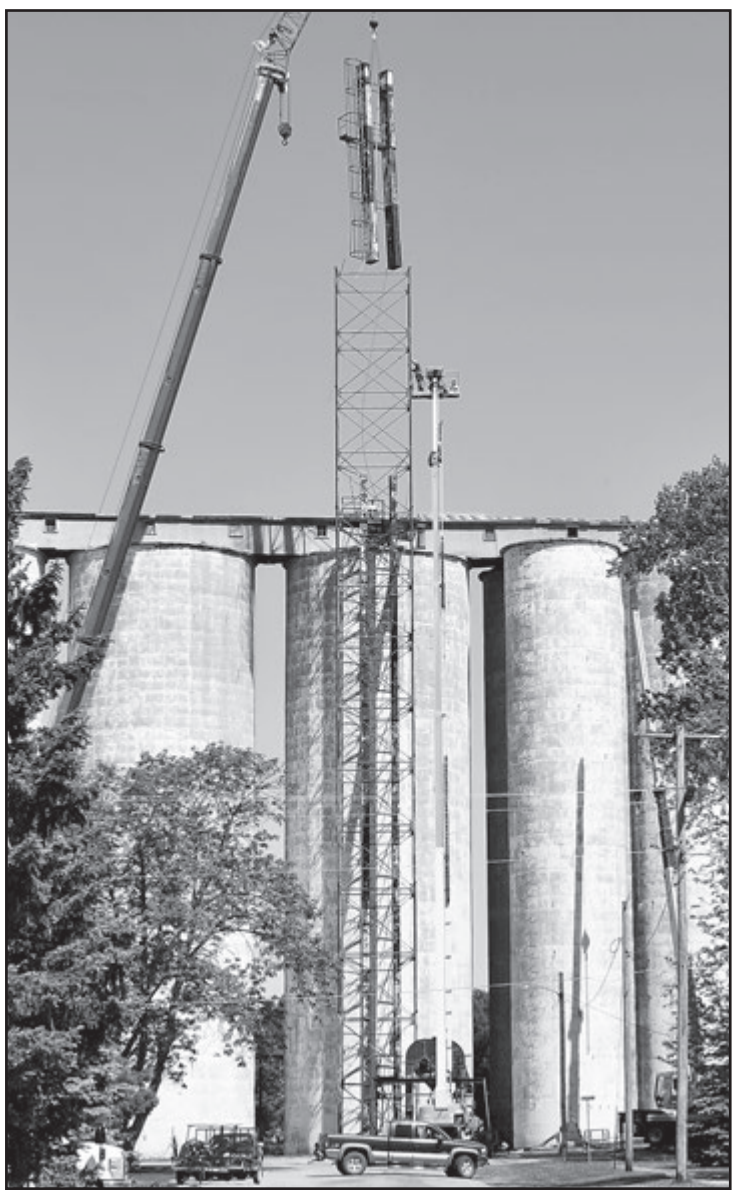
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Bolan

The Willerts have started getting buildings around Bolan ready for the upcoming VBS on June 19 – 23 from 9 a.m. until noon. The "snack shack" ladies have been putting together their food ideas for each day to follow the theme of the day. The Theme this year is "STELLAR, Shine Jesus' Light!" There will be a free-will supper and program held on Friday, June 23, at 6 p.m. before the program. This is an ecumenical VBS with the following churches: United Methodist Church in Bolan, Manly, Northwood, Plymouth, Rock Falls, Rudd, Nora Springs or the Lutheran Church in Manly or Hanlontown. You may contact them for registration forms and more information, or call Lori Willert at 641-903-9472, www.bethel-trinity.com.

Joe and Linda Nydegger drove to the St. Michael-Albertville High School in St. Michael, Minnesota, on Thursday to attend the State Track and Field A Prelims. They joined Larry and Michele Nydegger and Sandi Lubrant at the event. The NRHEG High School sent four athletes. Evelyn Nydegger was one of them competing in the 100m and 300m. She took 13th overall in both, which was finishing higher than her seed in each event.





The elevator goes down

With a few unused structures in place and plans for the future, Viafield in Northwood has begin the process of bring down and removing bins and buildings on the east sid eof Northwood. That included removing some of the structure pictured here.

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Supervisors

June 5, 2023
Twenty-third Day

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

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

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve today's agenda and minutes from the May 30, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve drainage claims in the amount of $680.00 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Rognes Bros Excavating Inc, DD #46/Lat 3, Repairs.....$580.00
Rognes Bros Excavating Inc, DD#46/Lat 14, Repairs.....$100.00
Grand Total.....$680.00

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve claims in the amount of $100,270.33 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Albert Lea Seed House Inc Supplies-Con 748.00
All Flags, Llc, Supplies-Vaf 113.75
Amazon Capital Services Supplies 124.87
Aramark, Service-Gsr 289.26
At&T Mobility Service-Shf..... 1,842.18
Black Hills Energy Inc Service-Eng 263.76
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Brian M Kuchay, Md Ems Contract 100.00
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Electronic Services System Edu-Rec 100.00
Falkstone Llc, Rock-Eng.... 337.54
Farmers New Ag, Llc Supplies-Gsr 325.00
Galls, Llc, Supplies-Shf 146.04
Glaxosmithkline Supplies-Phd 478.04
Greve Law Office Rent & Payroll-Aty 6,485.92
Heartland Business Systems, Llc Service-Dap 4,115.00
Huber Supply Co Inc Supplies-Eng 291.60
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Ia Dept Of Transportation Edu-Eng..... 480.00
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Marco Technologies Llc Service-Dap 88.88
Mediacom, Service-Gsr 294.90
Mid-Tech Services Parts-Eng..... 76.10
Midwest Wheel Companies Inc Parts-Eng..... 161.14
Miller Ranch And Mobile Repair Service-Eng 81.50
Northwood Anchor Inc Service-Asr 72.00
Northwood Sanitation Llc Service-Gsr & Eng 371.50
Olson Insurance Inc Renewal-Ins..... 1,389.00
Schneider Geospatial, Llc Service-Dap 20,661.00
Shred Right, Service-Gsr 45.84
Staples Credit Plan Supplies 125.46
Teresa Olson, Reimb-Rec..... 81.42
The Rustic Thread Supplies-Shf 1,225.00
Trading Post Supplies-Eng 5.56
Tsp Court Reporting Inc Service-Aty 330.00
Verizon Wireless Service-Ema 40.01
Winn-Worth Betco Fy23 4th Qtr H/M Tax-Ndp..... ..... 12,307.12
Worth Co Historical Society Fy23 4th Qtr H/M Tax-Ndp..... ..... 8,204.75
Worth County Fair Fy23 4th Qtr H/M Tax-Ndp..... ..... 12,307.12
Ziegler Inc, Service-Gsr .. 3,734.30
Grand Total 100,270.33

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to make adjustments in the amount of $939.74 for 2020 payroll in Auditor's Clearing and $542.85 bank draft reversal from 2022 payroll in Auditor's Clearing and for the treasurer to short the General Fund in the total amount of $1,482.49 for these two adjustments. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve payroll eligibility verification for Randall Majewski at $16.00/ hour and salary changes for Gary Brunsvold and Chris Faught at $16.75/hour as submitted by the county engineer. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the 5-Day Class C Retail Alcohol License for The Stock Tank LLC. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to acknowledge and place on file the manure management plan updates for Bengegerdes Hog Facility #60189. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the fireworks request for the Hopperstad/Twedt Wedding at Country View Acres on August 19, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the vice-chairperson to sign the Member Proxy form for Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (ICAP) and appoint Jacki Backhaus, County Auditor, as primary contact and Jeff Greve, County Attorney, as alternate. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve Resolution 2023-21 Cancellation of Outstanding Warrants. Roll call: Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in Auditor's Office).

Vice-Chairperson Stone recessed the regular session at 8:45 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 (Second Reading) at 9:00 A.M. Motion carried. There was no public comment.

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

Vice-Chairperson Stone reconvened the regular session at 9:01 A.M.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to adjourn at 9:01 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Aaron Stone, Vice-Chairperson

Northwood Anchor Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT WORTH COUNTY
Probate No. 02981
ESPR009350

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GRAYLING WILBUR STAYNER, Deceased

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Grayling Wilbur Stayner, Deceased, who died on or about January 18, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on 2nd day of February, 2023 the Last Will and Testament of Grayling Wilbur Stayner, deceased, bearing date of November 23, 2015, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Marilyn Kay Stayner was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the District Court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is 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 12th day of May, 2023.

/s/Marilyn Kay Stayner
Marilyn Kay Stayner,
Executor of Estate
1393 490th Street
Northwood, Iowa 50459

Richard P. Schwarm
ICIS PIN NO. AT0007119
Attorney for Executor
Schwarm Law Office
110 West Main Street
Lake Mills, Iowa 50450

Date of second publication the 25th day of June, 2023.

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Business Announcements

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Home: 324-1147

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

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

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

Congregate Meals
MEALS ON WHEELS
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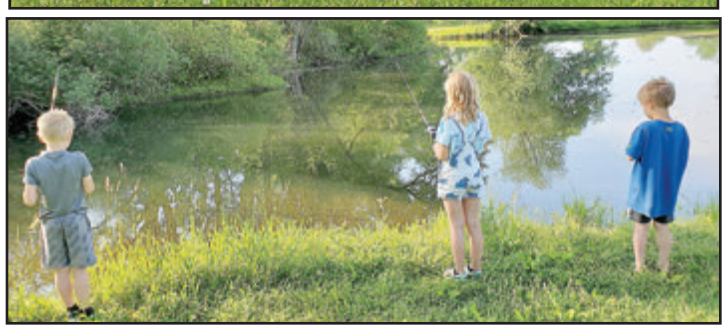


Earth Day activities

On April 20, as a part of the celebration of Earth Day, Worth County Conservation, with naturalist Heaven Walker, helped students at N-K in preschool, kindergarten and fifth grade classes learn about ways to help take care of the planet. Preschoolers made birdseed ornaments. Kindergarteners repurposed pop bottles to plant marigolds. Fifth graders made seed bombs filled with native prairie seeds.







Gone free fishing

June 2-4 was free fishing weekend in Iowa, allowing those in the state to fish without the need for a permit. At Worth County Lake, Worth County Conservation brought some fishing gear and hosted anglers of all ages for a day of fishing.









Creepy crawlers

Worth County Conservation hosted its first toddler summer camp last week. The camp, with a creepy crawly theme, had the toddlers meet a snake, a cockroach and other animals. They also caught bugs and learned about the creatures that call the lake home.



Sink or float

For these Northwood-Kensett preschoolers, one of the final activities in the classroom before the end of the school year was a scientific endeavor. They took a container of water and determined whether or not a number of items would sink or float.





Vikings run up against tough schedule last week, now 3-10 overall

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

After winning three of its first nine games of the season the Northwood-Kensett baseball team felt like it was on its way to erasing the painful memory of last season's 0-21 campaign, but then came last week's tough schedule that put four more games in the loss column, going from 3-6 last week to 3-10 this week with losses to Central Springs, Garner-Hayfield/Ventura, Saint Ansgar and Osage.

The Vikings looked pretty evenly matched with last Monday's opponent, the Panthers of Central Springs, but a 12 run second inning by the visitors sealed the Vikings' fate as they fell in just four innings to their Highway 65 rival, 14-1 in Top of Iowa Conference East action.

Senior Nolan Senne led the team at the plate with a 2-2 performance while Grady Buenzow took the loss on the bump, working 4.1 innings with one K and four walks, ending his night with a 4.85 ERA.

Tuesday night was another game where the Vikings surrendered lots of runs in the first couple of innings, allowing the Cardinals of G-H/V to push 17 runs across the plate in the first two innings.

But unlike the previous night against CS, the Vikings did bounce back with two in the first and added another five runs in the bottom of the second to make the loss a little more acceptable, despite the score of 26-7.

Taking the loss on the hill was freshman pitcher Bowen Behne, who threw 91 pitches in just 1.2 innings of work, ending the game with a 50.40 ERA. Hitting safely for the Vikings against G-H/V were Behne (1-1), Evan Lorenzen (1-3), Buenzow (1-2), Senne (1-2), Justin Mills (1-3), Jace Lindberg (1-2) and Michael Janssen (1-2).

Last Wednesday the Vikings traveled to Saint Ansgar and gave up just seven hits to the Saints, but errors and miscues led to the 8-0 loss after the Saints added four runs in the bottom of the fifth, adding to the 3-0 lead they had coming into the inning. The loss to the Saints is the 26th in the last 29 meetings between these two rivals dating back to the 2009 season.

Three walks, four hit batters and four N-K errors added up to a 13-1 loss to Osage last Friday night in Northwood for the Vikings, where once again the team played well enough to be competitive, but a bad inning or two derailed the team's momentum and another loss is the result.

As the second half of the conference season is soon to begin the Vikings find themselves sitting at 3-10 overall and just 1-7 in the TIC East.

Games this week include Monday versus North Butler, Tuesday at North Iowa, Wednesday at Nashua-Plainfield and Friday versus West Fork.



N-K's freshman second baseman Brady Christianson makes a nice play on a groundball last Monday in Northwood. Christianson and the Vikings fell to CS 14-1 in TIC East action.



Sophomore Evan Lorenzen makes a relief appearance last Monday against Highway 65 rival Central Springs. Lorenzen worked just 0.2 innings in the 14-1 loss with one K and one walk allowed. This season Lorenzen has pitched 10.2 innings with a respectable 3.28 ERA and even better 1.41 WHIP (walks and hits per inning pitched).

TIC East Baseball Standings

TIC East	Overall	
Newman Catholic	7-0	17-2
Nashua-Plainfield	7-1	8-3
Osage	6-2	8-4
Saint Ansgar	5-3	13-5
North Butler	4-4	6-5
Central Springs	2-5	3-8
West Fork	1-6	2-9
Northwood-Kensett	1-7	3-10
Rockford	1-7	1-10

N-K works to snap losing streak that's at 32 games and counting

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Northwood-Kensett softball program has fallen on some temporary hard times. With last week's four losses this young Lady Vikings team, who has just one senior and is mostly made up of sophomores or younger players, including three eighth graders, finds itself in the midst of what is now a 32-game losing streak that dates back to the final game of the 2020-21 season when N-K lost 10-1 to the Saints in a regional first round game.

Of course it doesn't help any team that it is on its third head coach in as many years, but new head coach Stacy Martin and her assistant Ashlyn Brandt, despite the winless record, seem to have the team set on a course for success.

A game that no team wants to see on its schedule, class 2A's second ranked Panthers of Central Springs, played the Lady Vikings last Monday evening in a short three inning contest in Northwood, the visitors coming away with the 14-1 Top of Iowa Conference East win, making CS 24-0 all-time against its Highway 65 rival.

Kelsi Liddle and Lexis McHenry led the team with one hit each while Lauren Heiken recorded a 23.33 ERA in the three-inning loss.

Last Tuesday the Lady Vikings survived five innings against Garner-Hayfield/Ventura before falling 13-1 to the Cardinals, who pushed nine runs across the plate in the third inning to put the game on ice for the 4-6 Cardinals.

The Lady Vikings recorded five hits as a team. Reaching base safely against G-H/V were Alexandria Hanson-Brandsoy (1-3), Jasmine Renteria (1-3), Kinley Stambaugh (1-1), Topanga Hackenmiller (1-2) and Heiken (1-2).

Heiken worked all five innings with five Ks and just four walks, allowing just one un-earned run to cross the plate in the 13-1 non-conference loss.

The Lady Vikings completed the tough week with losses to Saint Ansgar (14-0) and Osage (13-0) and have now been outscored 128-12 in the 10 games played so far this season.

With the four losses last week the Lady Vikings are now 0-10 overall and 0-7 in the TIC East.

N-K's schedule is full this week with games on Monday versus North Butler, Tuesday at North Iowa, Wednesday at Nashua-Plainfield, Friday versus West Fork and a Saturday tournament at West Hancock.

TIC East Softball Standings

TIC East	Overall	
Central Springs	8-0	11-1
Newman Catholic	6-2	14-3
Saint Ansgar	5-2	10-4
Osage	5-3	15-4
North Butler	4-4	5-6
West Fork	3-3	7-4
Rockford	2-7	3-9
Nashua-Plainfield	1-7	2-12
Northwood-Kensett	0-7	0-10



N-K left fielder Topanga Hackenmiller stretches for a fly ball last Monday night in Northwood. Hackenmiller is one of the Lady Vikings' most reliable fielders, boasting a .688 fielding percentage through 10 games.



Lady Viking hurler Lauren Heiken delivers a pitch in last Monday's 14-1 loss to class 2A's No. 2 ranked Central Springs. Heiken, just an eighth grader, has worked 35 innings in the circle and has 25 Ks to go along with a 13.60 ERA.

