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## Briefs

### Theatre to reopen June 23

After being closed for several weeks due to a broken projector, the Northwood Theatre is set to reopen this weekend.

According to a message sent to the theatre's mailing list, the new projector has been in place, ready to be installed and set up.

The process was expected to be completed in time for the theatre to reopen this Friday, June 23.

### Bible reading marathon begins June 29

Worth County residents are once again invited to take part in the seventh year of reading the Bible in each of Iowa's 99 counties, which begins on June 29.

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.

### Help sought with flags

Volunteers with the Northwood VFW chapter will once again help make the community more patriotic by raising flags at the Worth County Courthouse. And they're looking for help to do it.

Those that would like to help place flags for the Fourth of July holiday should be at the courthouse at 9 a.m. on Friday, June 30.

Help is also welcomed to take the flags down after Independence Day, on Friday, July 7, at 9 a.m.



**The Week's WEATHER**
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| Tues. June 13 | 75 | 50 | |
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| Fri. June 16 | 75 | 57 | |
| Sat. June 17 | 76 | 52 | |
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**Worth County Fair royalty**
**The first night of the Worth County Fair once again kicked off with the crowing of the Worth County Fair Queen. This year that was Sydney Schilling. As fair queen, Schilling was called on to play host to several events during the fair, assisted at livestock shows and visited at different events and activities and helped out in several other ways. Jadyn Beland was crowned Worth County Fair princess and helped out when Schilling was otherwise occupied. Pictured above are the talented candidates who took part in the fair queen event. That included (from left) Miss Congeniality Adessa Newhoff, Beland, Schilling, MacKensy Tomlinson and 2022 Worth County Fair queen Teagan Johnson.**

# Northwood's City Council discusses solar, pool, streets

At the most recent regular meeting, the Northwood city council learned of solar energy panels that were recently switched on, along with pool repairs and street projects.

The City of Northwood now has solar energy offsetting a portion of its wastewater facility's power costs. A consultant on the project was at the city council's recent regular meeting to discuss the status of the equipment and what may come forward to expand.

Mike Drilling with FC Solar Solutions was at the meeting to answer council questions and describe the project.

The solar panels now located near the wastewater facility are the first of three planned phases for the City's solar energy projects.

The installation included the capacity to accept energy from future phases.

The solar panels in place went online on May 10 and so far are generating roughly 25% more than was expected, owing somewhat to the number of sunny days.

The goal of the full project is to offset the electrical costs of operating the City's wastewater system, discussed as roughly $95,000.

It is expected that the first phase will offset $35,000 of the utility costs to the City.

The first phase was made possible with a WCDA grant. The City has been applying for additional WCDA grant funding to continue with the next phases of solar energy, but hasn't yet been successful.

Drilling said that there have been limited grant opportunities recently.

The first phase cost $250,000. The remainder of the project would cost an additional $500,000.

Council member Gary Nerlien suggested that the City may have to look at funding the remainder on its own.

City administrator Amber Julseth suggested that the City may have to look at dividing the rest of the project into more than two phases to make that work.

When asked about how long the equipment would last, Drilling said that it is under warranty for 25 years, but it should be in operation for many years beyond that.

Drilling was also asked about why particular types of solar panels were used, namely ones that don't move to follow the sun. He said that moving panels create more issues, and also said that there is equipment in place that catches

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# Kensett signs with NVFC

With just a few weeks before they begin their ambulance service, the NVFC (Northwood Volunteer Fire Company) has reached an agreement with the final portion of its existing rescue service area.

In February of this year, the NVFC officially announced that they planned to begin offering emergency transport capabilities.

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# Fourth festivities set in Northwood

With the Fourth of July on the way in just under two weeks, three days of events and activities are planned in Northwood.

That starts with a pool party for kids in grades K-12 on Friday, June 30, with music, games and food at the Northwood Swimming Pool.

From 6 p.m. to midnight, the beverage garden will be open on Central Avenue.

Food offerings during the beverage garden will include downtown restaurants, along with the Casper Friendly food trailer, formerly Mr. Taco and the Cedar Valley Express food truck.

Rhino will be the evening entertainment, from 8:30-11:30 p.m.

Saturday activities begin with a pancake breakfast served by the members of the Our Buddies 6779 VFW at the post home on Highway 65. The meal will be served from 6-9 a.m.

TUNE will host its annual 5K run/walk, starting at the Timbers. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. and the start time is 9 a.m.

Registration for a Northwood-Kensett Community Educational Foundation Golf Tournament starts at 10:30 a.m., with the tournament starting at 11 a.m.

Another tournament

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# County pandemic funds may go to all EMS services

As the start of the fiscal year approaches on July 1, the Worth County supervisors continue to look at ambulance service funding.

There are currently three departments being considered as the designated services for areas of the county. The major question for those areas is the cost and how to fund them.

The Northwood Volunteer Fire Company has reached agreements with the six townships in their rescue service area, Barton, Brookfield, Deer Creek, Grove, Hartland and Kensett, as well as the cities of Northwood and Kensett. The ambulance service is expected to begin by July 1.

The NVFC has not asked for any funding as a part of its agreements.

The Forest City Ambulance service has put in a request with Worth County that would cover the townships of Bristol, Fertile and Silver Lake, a portion of Danville Township and the cities of Fertile, Hanlontown and Joice.

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# State auditor visits Worth tomorrow

State Auditor Rob Sand will continue his fifth "100 Town Hall" tour with public town hall appearances tomorrow, Thursday, June 22, including a stop in Worth County, in Northwood.

As part of his promise to meet Iowans where they are and operate with the transparency and accountability they deserve, Sand will deliver remarks and take questions on the work of the State Auditor's office and the condition of the state's finances and governance.

"Expected topics of discussion include the lack of accountability and transparency in the new school

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**Disposing of flags**
**Last Wednesday, June 14, was Flag Day. For the members of the American Legion in Manly, that meant it was time to once again hold a ceremony to respectfully dispose of American flags that are in disrepair or otherwise unsuitable to be flown. The Legion has a drop box located outside its post home in Manly where flags can be deposited for proper disposal. The ceremony began with words about the U.S. flag from Legion commander Scott Cooper, a prayer and inspection of the flags. Then Legion members, with assistance from local Boy Scouts, placed the flags on a table to be set ablaze while patriotic music was played.**

Vikings win! — See Sports Page 12






## T&W Towing makes the cut at open house

**T&W Towing in Northwood recently held an open house to introduce themselves to the community. That included a meal, bounce house and a chance to get to know the T&W Towing crew. During the day they also took part in a ribbon cutting with the Northwood Chamber of Commerce.**

# Winifred group recognized for preservation efforts

The Waking Miss Winifred group was recognized for their historical restoration efforts after welcoming the Jefferson Highway Association, which visited as a part of their recent conference.

The JHS held a conference in Mason City on June 7. The next day they toured nearby Jefferson Highway sites, including Hotel Winifred.

While there they toured the hotel and learned more about their progress and plans to restore the building into a boutique hotel.

The JHS recognized the Winifred group with a special award after the conference events.

The JHS announced that the Waking Winifred group had recieved the 2023 Carol

Following is what the JHS had to say in announcing the award:

"This community nonprofit organization has been working for approximately 8 years to obtain and restore the historic Winifred Hotel along the Jefferson Highway route in Northwood, Iowa. We were privileged to have a special tour of the building during our conference bus tour to see their progress. Recently they erected one of our Jefferson Highway Historic Markers in front of the building. The long term plan is to bring the facility back to being a boutique hotel for Jefferson Highway travelers and other tourists to the lovely community of Northwood.

"The Carol Ahlgren Preservation Award was established in 2022 as a special memorial award to the late Carol Ahlgren, who was a Jefferson Highway Board Member and a passionate promoter of historic preservation. The passion and teamwork shown by this organization to preserve this special hotel property in their community fits perfectly with the award criteria. Though, their remains much to do in order to complete the full renovation and initial operations, we sincerely applaud the great effort and look forward to the day when we can visit again and stay overnight in this special property along the Jefferson Highway route. Everyone involved in this project is commended and praised by our organization."






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starts at noon at Swensrud Park, with a bags competition. Those taking park should bring their own partner and bags. The cost is $40.

The beverage garden, including food options, opens at 6 p.m. on Saturday, July 1.

Not Quite Brothers will perform from 8:30-11:30 p.m. in the beverage garden.

The Fourth of July begins with a mullet contest at the shelter house at the fairgrounds at 10 a.m.

The annual parade begins at 11 a.m.

After the parade, the fairgrounds will be the place to be for food from Signatures, Hot Beef Sundae, Mini Donuts of Northwood and Shaka Shaved Ice.

Also at the fairgrounds will be Half Pint the Clown, and bounces houses.

A pedal pull will be held in the shelter house at 1 p.m. on July 4.

The Northwood Lions Club will pluck their winning ducks at the fairgrounds at 1:30 p.m.

At 2 p.m. citizens will be recognized for their commitment to their community. Also recognized will be the Mister, Miss, Junior and Lil' Northwood namesakes.

A horse shoe tournament starts at 3 p.m. in Swensrud Park.

The Fourth of July events end with fireworks at the Northwood Airport.

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light as it passes or reflects onto the back of the panels, particularly during the winter with shorter sunlight hours.

Also, speaking of the winter, Drilling answered a question about snow or ice blocking the panels. He said that the angle of the panels and the heat involved in energy generation cause ice or snow to melt and slide off the panels.

In other business at the meeting, city superintendent Dirk Van Ryswyk discussed the Northwood Swimming Pool's closing.

City superintendent Dirk Van Ryswyk said that a small leak of 3,000 gallons started at the start of the pool season, then the night before the pool closed, on June 3, the pool lost 105,000 gallons.

After bringing in a crew to place a camera in the pool's pipe system, a 4 inch split was found in pipes under the zero depth entrance to the pool.

The public works crew had to jackhammer out the cement in the area before the plumbing could be repaired. New cement was poured, allowed to cure and then the pool was filled and chemicals were adjusted.

The pool was expected to be open again earlier this week.

Van Ryswyk also discussed street projects. The estimated cost of street work means that a smaller area of city streets will likely be undertaken this year.

The City originally planned for an area of 31 blocks, but the cost per block was up $3,000, increasing the cost of the project by nearly 50%.

With that in mind, the city's street resurfacing will likely be scaled back. The streets now planned for the summer will include 10th Street and a portion of 11th Street, along with the areas that connect them and connect to last summer's resurfacing.

### EMS
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The amount of the request would equal roughly $350 per ambulance response.

Currently the Mason City Fire Department would serve the rest of the county, which includes the remainder of Danville Township, along with Lincoln and Union townships and the cities of Grafton and Manly.

The MCFD has most recently said they would ask for $500 for every time the are called out on an ambulance call, whether or not they actually transport a patient.

At the June 12 supervisors meeting, discussion continued about the process of funding the requests to provide ambulance service to Worth County residents.

One focus was on how to provide short time funds to the ambulance services while allowing for townships and cities to determine long term funding.

The supervisors continued an ongoing discussion about using pandemic relief funds to pay the ambulance requests.

While it has not officially been approved, supervisor AJ Stone said that they have essentially decided that the County will need to help give the other local governments time to reach agreements or form ambulance districts that would allow for additional taxing options.

Supervisor Mark Smeby noted that the County would need to reach agreements with all three or with the townships and cities.

Supervisor Enos Loberg said that the County should divide the pandemic relief funds to all townships or cities to provide funds to their responding ambulance services. That includes the FCAS and MCFD. Funds would also be made available to the NVFC, even though they have not submitted a request.

Loberg also mentioned setting a cap on the amount given for ambulance agreements.

The funding may cover as much as a year of services, unless funding runs out sooner. That would allow for townships and cities to reach agreements and determine ambulance service.

It would also allow time for the County to get a better look at the amount and location of calls for future agreements.

In the meantime, supervisor Enos Loberg said that both the FCAS and MCFD have said they will continue to respond in the county, as long as plans continue to reach agreements.

### Auditor
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vouchers legislation that will take tax dollars away from public schools to pay instead for private school tuition, new pro-corruption legislation that allows state agencies to hide documents from the State Auditor and advancements in his Public Innovations and Efficiencies (PIE) program for saving tax dollars."

"It helps our office to hear from Iowans and helps Iowans to hear from someone who is willing to go after insiders' corruption and waste in Iowa's governments," said Auditor Sand in advance of the trip. "I'm proud to continue that work in all Iowa's counties this year."

Sand will be at Central Park in Northwood, at 1:45 p.m. tomorrow, June 22.

### Kensett
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As they were starting their service, they have focused on reach agreements with the areas in their existing rescue service area.

The last of that area, the city of Kensett, recently reached an agreement with the NVFC for ambulance service.

Kensett joins the city of Northwood and the townships of Barton, Brookfield, Deer Creek, Grove, Hartland and Kensett in agreements with the NVFC.

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# Iowa HHS announces first West Nile Virus case for 2023

The Iowa Department Health and Human Services (HHS) has announced the first case of West Nile virus (WNV) infection reported in 2023 in an older adult (61-80 years) from Plymouth County. The case was confirmed through a test at the State Hygienic Lab.

Warm summer weather means Iowans are spending more time outside which increases the risk of mosquito bites. Bites from infected mosquitos are the primary method in which humans are infected with the virus.

For the best protection against the virus, Iowans should use an insect repellant with DEET, Picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, Para-menthane-diol, 2-undecanone or IR3535. Insect repellent lowers the risk of mosquito bites.

Always read and follow label directions. Consult with a health care provider if you have questions when using these types of products on children.

Oil of lemon eucalyptus and Para-menthane-diol should not be used on children younger than 3 years, and DEET should not be used on infants younger than 2 months.

If you are also using sunscreen, apply sunscreen first and insect repellent second.

Additional steps Iowans can take to protect themselves include:

If possible, avoid outdoor activities between dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active.

Wear long-sleeved shirts, pants, shoes and socks outdoors.

Clear standing water from around your home where mosquitos reproduce.

Look for standing water in buckets, cans, pool covers, used tires, pet water dishes, and other areas water may collect.

Iowans infected with WNV may not experience any signs or symptoms of the virus. Some people experience minor symptoms like fever and mild headache. Others, however, can develop serious symptoms such as a high fever, headache, disorientation and muscle weakness.

People who experience mild signs and symptoms of a WNV infection generally recover on their own. But illness that includes a severe headache, disorientation or sudden weakness require immediate medical attention.

In 2022, nine Iowans were diagnosed with West Nile virus, with zero deaths.

For more information on West Nile virus, visit https://hhs.iowa.gov/cade/disease-information/west-nile-virus.

# WCTA pays out $2 million in Dividends

Winnebago Cooperative Telecom Association (WCTA) will disburse nearly 8,000 dividend checks totaling $2 million in late June. The payments represent the remaining deferred dividends for members who had service with WCTA in 2005. In addition, WCTA will pay out patronage dividends for part of the year of 2000.

"WCTA is proud of our success and growth over the years. We are pleased to be able to share the success with our members," stated WCTA CEO Mark Thoma.

The WCTA Board of Directors voted earlier this year to approve the payment distribution. Board members include Larry Foley, Curt Helland, Mark R. Johnson, Dale Meinders, Shanan Redinger, Mike Stensrud and Steve Thorland.

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# Artist visit comes as Art Farm Iowa continues plans for the future

**By Leo Frost**

Fausto Fernandez of Phoenix, Arizona, is the most recent guest of Art Farm Iowa. Fernandez's visit comes as Art Farm Iowa continues developments that will bring more opportunities for a local art community.

Fausto Fernandez has been a mentee of Steve Hanson and built a relationship with him beginning in 2009.

Steve recently invited Fausto to visit the farm north of Northwood, where Fernandez will be one of the artists on display, and where Fernandez will create new pieces in the future.

Fernandez grew up in Ciudad Juarez in Chihuahua, Mexico, until moving to Phoenix, Arizona, at the age of 25.

Fernandez uses a variety of media for his art, including painting, photography and found objects. In addition to art galleries and exhibitions, he has been commissioned to produce works for cities, airports, parks and more public spaces.

During Fausto's time at the farm he is contemplating project ideas for how he will add to the farm.

Fausto, during his time in Northwood, has been impressed with what he called a beautiful town. Something that has stood out to him is the friendliness of the citizens of Northwood. Fausto expressed that artists from Arizona are excited about the opportunity to visit Art Farm Iowa.

With the help of grants from WCDA, Art Farm Iowa is constructing multiple buildings on the property. One construction is a recycled grain bin that will be utilized for ceramics. Once equipped with a kiln the building will have the capacity to hold classes where people will be able to learn about and take part in creating ceramic art.

A second grain bin will be added in the future, as another display and learning space.

Another building on the farm will serve as the main attraction for guests and artists. With a space for events and to display art, this building will also include panels for visiting artists like Fausto to utilize for paintings.

Additionally, the building has an area for bands or singer-songwriters to perform, with spaces for audiences inside or outside.

The building also will contain a gift shop and reception area.

Steve has also planted native prairie grasses around the building areas. Erik Butler, with the local Natural Resources Conservation Service, has been out to the Art Farm to help with the planting of native grasses and vegetation.

Steve is hopeful that Art Farm Iowa can be a spot of creativity. Bringing in guest artists and musicians can serve as an opportunity for people of Northwood and Worthy County to be inspired by the creative potential and opportunities.

Citizens who are interested in seeing the farm and taking part in the happenings may be interested in the Art Farm to Fork event that will be taking place on July 29. This is a ticketed event that will be done in cooperation with Healthy Harvest of North Iowa. For $60 guests will receive a four course meal prepared by renowned Iowa chef Jessica Baldus. Tickets may be purchased on the Healthy Harvest of North Iowa website.

One of the first art exhibits on the farm is in the works for September 1. Steve Hanson says that guest artists are already prepared as far out as next summer.



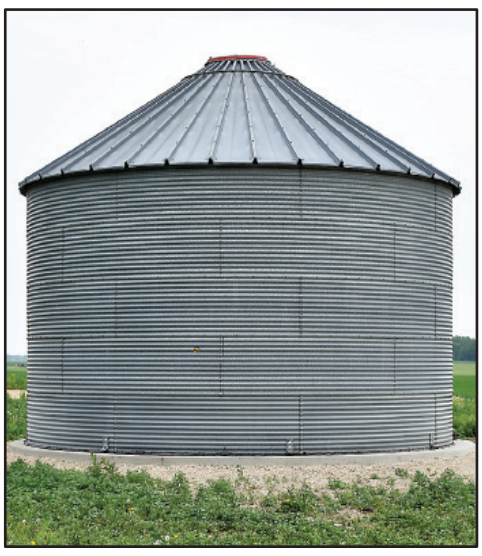
Fausto Fernandez is pictured with one of his paintings, a part of the collection at Art Farm Iowa.



Merle and Steve Hanson are pictured with Fernandez at Art Farm Iowa.



One of the newer Art Farm Iowa installations is a camper built so it reflects the scenery around onto a canvas inside.



Pictured is the first of the grain bins that will be repurposed as a space to display and create art.



Steve and Merle Hanson are pictured in front of a building that will house displays, events, reception area, a gift shop and a performance area at Art Farm iowa.


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## Morningside announces 2022-23 Roadman Scholars

Morningside University has named 258 students as Roadman Scholars in recognition of high academic distinction for the 2022-23 academic year. That included Ryan M. Cole of Plymouth.

Roadman Scholars must be full-time students who have completed at least 45 credits of college work with a cumulative grade point average of 3.76 or above. The award is named in honor of Earl Roadman, who was president of Morningside from 1936 to 1956.

## Central College students named to Dean's List

Central College recognized 351 students who were named to the Spring 2023 dean's list, including Lindsey Davidson, Central Class of 2024 from Northwood, and Summer Sterrenberg, Central Class of 2024, from Joice.

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

## South Dakota State announces spring 2023 dean's list

More than 3,000 students were recognized for their outstanding academic performance over the spring 2023 semester at South Dakota State University by being named to the dean's list.

To earn dean's list distinctions in SDSU's colleges, students must have completed a minimum of 12 credits and must have earned at least a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Students named to the dean's list include Mackenzie Hanssen and Will Steene of Glenville, Minnesota, students in SDSU's College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences.

## IWCC announces President's Honor Roll

Shallon Batton of Northwood was named to the Iowa Western Community College's 2023 spring semester President's Honor Roll.

All full-time students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.5 or above will be listed on the President's Honor Roll.

## University of Iowa 2023 spring semester dean's list honorees announced

More than 7,100 undergraduate students at the University of Iowa were named to the dean's list for the 2023 spring semester.

That included Evelyn Ocel of Northwood, a second year undergraduate in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.













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# N-K SUMMER SPORTS




## N-K Varsity Softball Team

**Members of the Northwood-Kensett softball team include (in front) Alexandria Hanson-Brandsoy, (second row, from left) Macy Thorson, Jade Fierova, Topanga Hackenmiller, Jasmine Renteria, Logan Manning, Madison Espinosa, Lexis McHenry, (back row) coach Stacy Martin, Kinley Stambaugh, Kelsi Liddle, Hadley Buenzow, Chloe Wright, Addison Tasker, Lauren Heiken and assistant coach Ashlyn Brandt.**

# VIKINGS



## SCHEDULE

**Friday, June 23**
**Game 6 PM • Newman Catholic**
**Northwood-Kensett Jr./Sr. High School**

**Monday, June 26**
**Game 6 PM • Away vs. Central Springs**
**Central Springs High School**

**Tuesday, June 27**
**Game 6 PM • St. Ansgar**
**Northwood-Kensett Jr./Sr. High School**

**Wednesday, June 28**
**Game 6 PM • Away vs. Osage**
**Osage High School**


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# Jefferson Highway Association tours Northwood historic sites

**By Leo Frost**

The Jefferson Highway Association held their annual conference in Mason City for the 2023 year. As part of the conference, attendees toured the historic Jefferson Highway and made stops at historic sites along the route, including in Northwood.

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 state. The byway runs between Northwood and Lamoni, roughly along U.S. Highways 65 and 69.

The Jefferson Highway Association held its conference in Mason City last week, after being delayed from 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The conference included a tour of the Jefferson Highway and some of the stops on its route.

Northwood was a stopping point for the group on Thursday morning. Attendees of the conference stopped at the Worth County Historical building before making their way to the Hotel Winifred. Those in attendance were given walking tour brochures from the Worth County Historical Society, and many made use of them as they walked to the hotel. They also enjoyed refreshments provided by the Worth County Historical Society.

The tour stop in Northwood included Jefferson Highway milestones like the Watts garage and Swensrud Park.

That also included the Hotel Winifred, which provided additional historical information and the opportunity to tour the main level as well as the second level. Pictures were on display of what the hotel will look like after renovations.

Roger Bell, the president of the Jefferson Highway Association, said that the route is unique compared to other historical highways in the United States. The majority of historical highways in the U.S. run east and west, but the Jefferson Highway runs north and south. A common saying heard used by those in attendance is "pine to palm" due to the nature of the north to south route. Bell says that the culture of the highway is different, and that being a part of the association is about discovery and adventure.

Bell recently began a podcast covering stories about the Jefferson Highway. At first he was worried about how many episodes they could create, and how many stories they could find. After beginning though, he said that they would never run out of stories. There are currently fifteen episodes of the podcast available, and it can be found by going to the Jefferson County Highway Association website.

Part of the discovery and adventure according to Bell is also in experiencing the communities built along the highway. Many elements are like lost treasures, which have always been there, but maybe have not been appreciated as much in recent years. Bell thinks that building community along the route as the association visits is one of the great aspects of what the association is doing.

Northwood in particular is respected for its cultural elements and its heritage. Specifically the Hotel Winifred stands as a reminder that Northwood was an area people stopped along the highway and enjoyed. Bell says that one of the next projects for the association is developing a historic lodging trail along the highway. It would include all of the historical places to stay where tourists can still enjoy.

Throughout the morning Roger Bell, and other members of the conference, were exceedingly appreciative of all the help from the Worth County Historical Society.

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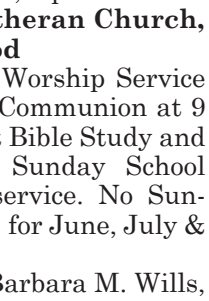
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## God's silence or man's inability to hear



In the face of events like the Holocaust or the genocide in Rwanda and Darfur, God's silence may seem troubling. If the accounts of the Old Testament are to be taken literally, God spoke directly to his people at certain crucial times, telling Noah to build the Ark and directing Moses and Aaron to speak to Pharaoh. In the book of Job, we hear Job calling God to account for the suffering that has befallen him, and God answering him out of the whirlwind. By the time of the great kings of Israel such as David and Solomon, however, God has fallen silent, or speaks only in a whisper, as in the "still small voice" that speaks to Elijah. There is almost a divine pivot here, where God goes from speaking in a thunderous terrifying voice to speaking in a whisper. Notice that in the case of Elijah, God was not in the earthquake or the great wind, as Elijah expected, but in the still small voice. (1 Kings 19:11-13) And in Ecclesiastes, Solomon tells us that God "has put eternity into man's mind," and we seem to have thereby reached a point in human development where God has been internalized in our hearts and minds, God's voice becoming the still small voice of conscience. So in the face of horrors like the Holocaust, perhaps the real question is not whether God has remained silent, but whether the people who knew of these atrocities heard the voice of God within them and failed to speak out.

***O that today you would hearken to his voice! Harden not your hearts. – R.S.V. Psalm 95:7-8***

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# Cook Bookin'

We may live without poetry, music and art; We may live without conscience and live without heart; We may live without friends; we may live without books; But a civilized man cannot live without cooks.
Bulwer Lytton, Edward Robert



**by Sandy Olson**

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

I must admit I know very little about Australian cooking with the exception of once sampling Marmite. It is definitely an acquired taste! Ken Ham was born and raised in Australia and is currently the founder and CEO of the Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum, both in Kentucky. They are the most amazing places to visit, both for believers and those who are not. For Christians it supports what they have been taught about our existence; for non-believers it gives them a great deal to think about. Of course, there are gift shops in both locations and on a recent visit I purchased "Ken & Mally's Family Cookbook: Aussie Family Recipes." (2021, Answers in Genesis Publishing) Mally Ham has shared her family's recipes, passed down through several generations; Ken has shared his pleasure in eating them. I've adapted some of them to account for ingredients not usually found in American grocery markets.

**Nanna's Scones**

2 cups self-rising flour
1/2 cup heavy cream
3/4 cup whole milk
Pinch of salt
1 tablespoon powdered sugar
Possible Additions: dried berries, nuts, raisins (add one of these)

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees. Mix all ingredients in a large bowl, gently combining them. The dough should be smooth; if it's too crumbly, add a bit more milk or cream. Turn out onto a floured surface and pat into a rectangle. Don't handle this dough too much to keep it tender. Use a round cookie cutter to make the scones, gently pushing the "trimmings" into larger pieces to cut again. Place on a parchment-line cookie sheet and bake for 10 minutes or until golden brown. Top with more powdered sugar, if desired, or serve hot with real butter, jam or whipped cream.

**Kristel's Meat Pie**

4 sheets of puff pastry
1 teaspoon Worcestershire
2 pounds lean ground beef
1 clove garlic, minced
1 small onion, finely chopped
1/2 teaspoon oregano
1 3/4 cup cold water
3 tablespoons flour
2 beef bouillon cubes
1 large egg
1 teaspoon ketchup
Pinch of nutmeg
Black pepper to taste

Brown the ground beef with the onion and garlic in a saucepan. Drain away any excess grease and add 3/4 cup water and the bouillon cubes. Stir to help dissolve the cubes then add the ketchup, Worcestershire sauce and spices. Let this mixture simmer for 10 minutes. In a small bowl, combine the flour and cold water, whisking to avoid lumps. Add this slowly to the saucepan and stir to thicken. Set aside to cool. Preheat the oven to 425 degrees F. Lightly grease a deep pie dish and place two sheets of the puff pastry on the bottom and up the sides. Add the cooled meat mixture and top with the remaining pastry sheets, sealing the edges. Beat the egg and brush the top of the pie. Cut a few small slits in the top crust to vent steam. Bake for 15 minutes then LOWER the temperature to 350 degrees F. Continue to bake for another 25 minutes. Remove from the oven and let it rest for a few minutes before slicing. SANDY'S NOTE: try to find low-sodium beef bouillon cubes or granular beef bouillon.

**Grandma's Light Butter Cakes**

3 large eggs, whisked
1/2 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup whole milk
1 1/2 sticks real butter
1 teaspoon real vanilla
3/4 cup sugar
1 3/4 cups self-rising flour

Sift the flour and salt into a large mixing bowl. In a second bowl, beat the butter, sugar and vanilla until smooth. Gradually beat in the whisked eggs. Gently stir in the flour and milk, alternating between the two until the batter is well combined. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F. Place liners in each section of a regular-sized cupcake pan. Fill each liner 3/4 full of batter. Bake for 15-20 minutes. You want a very light golden color on these cakes; they will be too dry if overbaked. NOTE: to make chocolate cakes, sift 3 tablespoons cocoa in with the dry ingredients and add another 1/4 cup of milk to the batter. Let the cakes cool and frost with a rich buttercream icing.

We didn't get to taste any Aussie food on this visit which is one reason I bought this cookbook. The second reason is that I simply can't resist adding another interesting book to my shelves! And… that's all she wrote.

# Northwood Anchor Society

# Lawler – Helms united in marriage on May 21 in Virginia



BEN AND JANET HELMS

Janet Marie Lawler and Ben Helms were united in matrimony on May 21, 2023, at Meadow Creek Triangle Park in Richmond, Virginia.

Janet is the daughter of John J. and Lois Colleen Lawler of rural Northwood. Janet is the great-great-great-granddaughter of Charles Adam Wardall, one of the founders of Northwood. Janet is the granddaughter of the late Thurman and Lois Willis of Hansen, Idaho, and the late Jack and Marian Lawler of Oak Park, Illinois.

Ben is the son of Clay Helms of Monroe, N.C., and Janet Childers Helms of Taylorsville, N.C. Ben is the grandson of Carolyn and the late Barry Helms of Taylorsville, N.C., and Wade and the late Annie Childers of Taylorsville, N.C.

Ben and Janet met at the University of Virginia where both completed their doctoral programs in the Department of Politics, defending their theses on the same day. At UVA, Janet taught a wide range of courses in political theory, was recognized with a Distinguished Graduate Teaching Award in Social Sciences and Education and an All-University Teaching Award. At UVA, Ben co-authored "The Ties That Bind: Immigration and the Global Political Economy" with David LeBlang, before going on to be a postdoctoral fellow in the Institute for Politics and Strategy at Carnegie Mellon University, while Janet joined the Eberly Center at Carnegie Mellon University as a Postdoctoral Teaching Consultant. After a two-week honeymoon in Italy, the couple will move to Texas where Ben will teach at Texas A&M, and Janet will work at the University of Houston.

The wedding party included dear friends of many years, Man of Honor Evan McCarthy, Best Man Robby Evans, Maid of Honor Emily Archer, Groomsman Caleb Marley, Bridesmaid Rachel Vazquez and Groomsman Alex Gibson. Officiant was their friend from grad school and neighbor in the Fan District, Dan Henry. A reception was held at Heritage Restaurant in Richmond.

# Homestead credits, exemption applications due Saturday, 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.

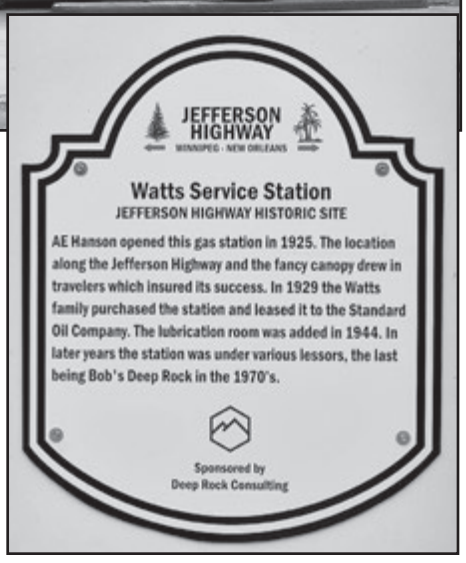
The Iowa Department of Revenue has amended the original Homestead Tax Credit and Exemption (54-028) form to allow claimants to apply for the new exemption. Applications are due July 1 to the local assessor. If the exemption is granted, the exemption will be allowed for future years without future filing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

The deadline to apply is July 1, 2023.






## Historic destination

**As the Jefferson Highway Association was preparing for its visit to Northwood recently, a number of sites along the route were identified and encouraged to recognize the designation. One of those in Northwood is the Watts Service Station. According to the sign that has been placed there, "AE Hanson opened this gas station in 1925. The lcoation along the Jefferson Highway and the fancy canopy drew in travelers, which insured its success. In 1929 the Watts family purchased the station and leased it to the Standard Oil Company. The lubrication room was added in 1944. In later years the station was under varouis lessors, the last being Bob's Deep Rock in the 1970s.**

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Entries can be submitted and must be received by July 7.


## Veterans in Worth County!

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# Opinion

## Savvy Senior

### How to locate interesting volunteer opportunities in your area

Dear Savvy Senior,

Can you recommend some good organizations or websites for locating interesting volunteer opportunities? I've been doing some volunteer work since I retired last year, but most of the jobs I've tried haven't been very fun or satisfying.

Retired Volunteer

Dear Retired,

For many retirees, finding a volunteer opportunity that meets your interests, utilizes your talents and fits your availability can be challenging. To help you find some interesting and satisfying volunteer opportunities, here are some tips and online tools that can help you search.

Getting Started

Volunteering is a great way for retirees to make a positive contribution to their community and stay actively engaged, not to mention it's good for your health too. But how can you find the right opportunity for you? Start by asking yourself some basic questions like: What types of organizations or activities are you interested in? What kind of skills can you offer a volunteer organization? How much time are you willing to give? What do you want to gain from your experience (for example, meet new people, learn new skills, help those in need, exposure to a particular issue)?

Once you get a general idea of what you'd like to do, there are dozens of volunteer websites that can help you search for different opportunities in your area and virtually.

Most sites work like search engines that let you choose an area of interest and type in your ZIP code or city and state. The sites will then give you a list of opportunities that you can check into. Depending on your interest and expertise, here are some top websites to help you get started.

General volunteer sites: To find a wide variety of volunteer opportunities in your community that serve causes like children, animals, seniors, education, health, the arts and more check out sites like VolunteerMatch.org, Engage.PointsofLight.org, IdeaList.org and UnitedWay.org.

Retired volunteer sites: If you're interested in opportunities targeting older adults and retirees, some good options include AARP's CreateTheGood.org, along with AmeriCorps Seniors (AmeriCorps.gov/serve/americorps-seniors), which matches retirees with community projects and organizations that need experienced volunteer help.

AmeriCorps Seniors offers three different programs: RSVP, which has a variety of volunteer activities with flexible time commitments; the Senior Companion Program that brings together volunteers with homebound seniors who have difficulty with day-to-day living tasks; and the Foster Grandparent Program that matchers volunteers with kids in the community that have exceptional needs.

Niche volunteer sites: There are also a number of niche websites to help you look for specific types of volunteer opportunities in your area. For example, to find natural and cultural volunteer opportunities in places like national and state parks, see Volunteer.gov. If you're interested in emergency preparedness and disaster response volunteer services, try Ready.gov or RedCross.org. If you have a knack for construction or have an interest in learning about interior design, see Habitat.org. Or, if you're interested in longer-term volunteer opportunities check out AmeriCorps.gov and PeaceCorps.gov/50plus, which offers three-month to two-year programs in the U.S and abroad.

Professional volunteer sites: If you have expertise in areas like business planning and development, marketing, communications, finance, fundraising, web and graphic design, or writing and editing there are sites like Catchafire.org and TaprootPlus.org that can link you to volunteer opportunities with nonprofit organizations in need. Or you can help entrepreneurs and small business owners through the SCORE.org volunteer mentoring program.

*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**

My wife is mad at me and I don't know why.

Why don't you ask her?

I don't want to remind her of why she's mad at me.

**Driving by Bruce's drive**

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Deep thoughts occur as I drive past his drive. The road was a little rough, but round tires would have cost more. I pulled into a parking lot with each space brightly corralled by yellow stripes. I parked in a crooked manner. I backed up and straightened the car. I'm not sure why I want my parking to be near perfect; I can't even put my hat on straight.

I had my annual physical, a yearly oil change. Doctors are mystifying people—mine get younger each year. Life was good. What could I be missing in my splendid existence? The doctor came up with an answer. A hernia. It was better than eating pickled squirrel elbows. I heard the doctor thinking, "Just because you were suckered into buying the Golden Gate Bridge doesn't mean you should try to lift it." I need surgery. It won't be a terrible ordeal, but I'll need to behave myself for a bit. It's a dented fender with excellent prospects for a soft landing.

A few days later, I walked along while wearing my favorite, faithful sandals, when one of them said, "Go on without me," and broke. They were supposed to be good for 450 miles and I reckon they had been. It was no hernia, but it hurt.

And what hurt even more is when I felt as if I were dressed as a sandwich while walking a trail and was bothered by those dear deer flies, a prime source of pain and provocation.

**I've learned**

I enjoy seedless watermelons and don't miss spitting seeds at all.

We need the wrong people to do the right things.

I used to be afraid of speed bumps, but I'm getting over that.

A pastor told me that his great-grandfather was named Ignatz Batt. The only Ignatz I was familiar with is Ignatz Mouse who caused mischief or mousechief in the "Krazy Kat" comic strip. Ignatz isn't one of the top 10 male names in the U.S.

Drivers convicted of excessive speeding should have a governor installed in their vehicles.

I had a neighbor, Claudie, who had many dogs. It was a Roverdose.

If you can't be in Who's Who, be in Who's That.

**Nature notes**

It was an honor and a pleasure for me to speak at the 100th-anniversary celebration of the Audubon Society of Greater Cleveland. Great birds, great people and great work. As the song goes: "Round on the end and 'Hi' in the middle. Tell me if you know. Don't you think that's a cute little riddle? Round on the end and 'Hi' in the middle. You can find it on the map if you look high and low. The O's are round, it's high in the middle. O-H-I-O That's the riddle! Round on the end and 'Hi' in the middle. O-HI-O!"

I noticed small masses of sticky, frothy bubbles at the leaf nodes of plants. The nymphs of spittlebugs produced the white foam blobs. The tiny insects are named for the globs of foamy spit they create along the stems of plants. The foam shields the nymph from predators and offers insulation from temperature extremes and low humidity.

The second largest frog in Minnesota/Iowa is the green frog. Only the bullfrog, the biggest frog in North America, is larger. The green frog makes a sound like someone plucking a single banjo string. When you see a snapping turtle on land, remember that the length of its neck can be up to two-thirds the length of its shell.

I've done a Breeding Bird Survey hoping to cross paths with June's birds for 30+ years in Freeborn, Mower and Steele Counties. I start at 5:02 a.m. and make 50 stops for 3 minutes each and tally every bird I see and hear. Like many things in life, it's important to listen. In each of those years, the red-winged blackbird has been the bird I counted the most often. This year, the house sparrow, European starling and American robin followed it. The common grackle is usually the second most numerous species, but not this year.

Please join me as I host a float on the Pelican Breeze on Albert Lea Lake on June 25, July 30, August 27 and September 10. Call 507-383-7273 to book a seat.

**Meeting adjourned**

The kindest thing you can think of saying is what you should be saying.

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# Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

It seems these days you can't turn on the TV, pick up a newspaper or serach the internet without being bombarded by the news of yet anouther mass shooting. Confronted by such unspeakable horror, it gives one the sense that there's nowhere left to go where one can feel relatively safe.

Some say there's too many guns in this country, and that there's no logical reason that anyone should be allowed to purchase the military-style weapons that are often used to commit these senseless crimes. Others say there's already gun laws on the books that have not been strictly enforced.

No matter where you stand on the political spectrum of gun control, what I find most disturbing about these tragic events is that, in many cases, the perpetraitors are said to have had a history of mental illness.

All this unsettling news merely fees the stigma that already exists that somehow the mentally ill are inherently dangerous and need to be feared. But numerous studies have shown that some 85% of schizophrenics are nonviolent and would never even consider inflicting harm on anyone.

It is my understanding that these killers (known as sociopaths) are not, but the strictest definition of the word "mentally ill." Often, they harbor hatred or a grudge against some ethnic group or another and have made the ultimate decision to carry out their evil scheme.

They stockpile weapons months in advance, draw out maps of the crime scene and determine the opportune time of day when they can inflict the most number of casualties.

A person who truly meets the definition of one who is severely mentally ill acts on impulse. They grab the first weapon they can find and start shooting. Sadly these sick individuals wind up in prison, and are denied the medical treatment that they so desperately need.

Our society must have a complete turn-around, so far as our way of thinking about mental illness, by being educated on the root causes of this dreaded disease, thereby helping to dispel the stigma that denies these people the compassion, along with the dignity and respect which we all deserve. Until this can happen, unfortunate incidents of this nature will keep occurring, and then the situation will rapidly deteriorate and spin out of control. As a result, more of our loved ones will have their lives cut short.

Let's get real, people, and start respecting life, instead of trying to destroy it.

Gregory Nystuen
Northwood

Dear Editor

On June 10, 1963, President John F. Kennedy spoke realistically and cautiously - yet, boldly and optimistically, about the state of, and future of America's foreign policy. Remarkably, and, tragically, the ideals expressed by the 35th President have largely been either ignored or altogether obliterated in recent years. To him, the ultimate objective of a sound, pro-USA foreign policy wasn't only peace through strength - as a hero of World War II, he certainly endorsed such - but a truly LASTING peace.

JFK said, "What kind of a peace do I mean? What kind of a peace to we seek? Not a PAX Americana enforced on the world by American weapons of war. Not the peace of the grave or the security of the slave. I'm talking about genuine peace, the kind of peace on earth that makes life on earth worth living, the kind which enables men and nations to grow, to hope, and build a better life for their children - not merely peace for Americans but peace for all men and women - not merely peace in our time, but for all time."

Kennedy's speech was timely because the U.S. and USSR had just 7 months earlier avoided calamity in the Cuban Missile Crisis. Kennedy was a student of history and knew the acceptance of a world of diverse political systems, many undemocratic, was essential to avoiding a new world war. That aside, however, Kennedy's points are nonetheless valid, and still hold up - especially his assessment of what, then, was the reason for world tensions. He said, "The Communist drive to impose their political and economic system on others is the primary cause of world tension today." JFK had not lost his perspective on reality.

One person who listened intently to Kennedy's words was Russian Premier Nikita Khrushchev. Upon receiving a copy of the speech, he immediately instructed Andrei Gromyko, Minister of Foreign Affairs, to begin discussions to ease tensions, Kennedy's seeds were about to bear fruit: Soon the hotline was established to provide instant communication between Washington and Moscow. Next, the Test Ban Treaty to limit the radiation in the atmosphere. A proposal for joint Soviet-American space flight, a possible trip to China in 1965. These ideas were the fore runners of Detente.

Say what you want about JFK, he was an original thinker. Kennedy was willing to put forward the American model of a Republic to compare with all other forms of government and was willing to accept our diverse world as it is.

Contrast this with the last 30 years of American Foreign Policy and its unending wars of regime change and ask yourself if the blood and treasure spent are worth it. The years 1953 to 1974 gave America some of the most gifted leadership in Foreign Affairs - Ike, JFK, and Nixon (a near genius in foreign policy), were towering figures compared to the barren leadership in the past 30 years.

In closing his speech, Kennedy mentioned a sobering fact in the history of the relations between American and Russia: "Almost unique among the major world powers, we have never been at war with each other."

President Biden, please take note.

JFK's speech is available on YouTube.

Jay Urdahl, a Cerro Gordo County Supervisor from 1988 to 2016

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# Early Files

## 100 years ago

**June 20, 1923**

Miss Stella Swensrud, Mrs. Nettie Thomson, Miss Lola Thomson and Miss Eldora Vold are planning a two months' trip through the west leaving the last of this month. They will stop off at several noted places, including Denver, Salt Lake City and Colorado Springs and will wind up at the Pacific Coast.

Not for several years has Northwood been visited by a high class "week stand" dramatic show presenting late plays under canvas, but the jinx, hoodoo or whatever it is has been broken and next week the Hazel M. Cass Players will fill an entire week's engagement here, beginning with a ladies free night.

Probably for the first time in the history of Northwood, Chatauqua sessions open on the 4th of July. A perusal of the program causes one to wonder how it can be done — how 15 or 20 dollars worth of operatic, dramatic and musical entertainment can be given for the small sum of two dollars, in addition to the excellent platform offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. Durrand Carl of Manly drove to Vinton taking their dog, which they left with Mr. Carl's parents, while they went by train to Washington, D.C., to attend the Shriner's convention. The dog, no doubt, became homesick after his short visit and started home, arriving in Manly a few days ago, having traveled a distance of 126 miles without any guide except his dog instinct. Neighbors cared for the dog until his owner returned.

Dr. Albin J. Heiny, Northwood dentist, told his friends he was going away on a vacation and slipped off to West Union where he was married to Miss Lola Keig. The young couple went from the Fayette town to the lakes of northern Minnesota where they spent a few days with friends, coming to Northwood. The bride, whose home is at West Union, is somewhat known in Northwood and has numerous friends in Union Township and Plymouth, here she taught in the schools.

## 75 years ago

**June 17, 1948**

Northwood has received its first application of fly and insect spray. The work was done by Bob Johnston with his spraying outfit, under supervision of Conrad L. Olson, street commissioner.

J.C. Mueller, 58, died at his home on North Eighth Street following a long illness, cancer being the cause of his death.

Collection of garbage in Northwood, under supervision of the town and without cost to the householders, will begin on June 21, it is announced by the committee of council members named for the purpose of placing the project in operation. Lawrence Johnson, local drayman, has been engaged for the work.

Lloyd Madson, son of Mr. and Mrs. L.P. Madson, and John Hale, both of Northwood; and Cecil Slattum, son of C.G. Slattum of Joice, are reported by Iowa State College, Ames, as Worth County's representatives among the graduates who received their degrees.

Worth County has 1,905 homesteads receiving $79,374 in tax benefits effective for the year 1948 on taxes levied in 1947, according to a schedule prepared in the office of the treasurer of state in Des Moines.

Present from Northwood at the wedding of Robert Bowen, a member of last year's Northwood high school faculty, and Miss Joan Evans of Manchester, were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bliton, Mr. and Mrs. Arleigh Holstad and Mrs. Hartwick Mellem.

Resignation of Robert W. Bowen as athletic coach in the Northwood schools was accepted by the school directors at their regular meeting.

Favored with perfect June weather, and presenting an unusually fine display of entries, the third annual Northwood horse show, sponsored by the Lions Club of this city, drew an attendance of 1,500 or more and was perhaps the most successful of the series to date.

## 50 years ago

**June 21, 1973**

The Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Freeburg and daughter Merrilee, 13, and two dogs, Baron and Ming Tu, moved into the Methodist parsonage. The Rev. Freeburg will serve Northwood and Kensett United Methodist churches.

Worth County Sheriff Ike Davey reported that a tornado touched down southwest of Kensett at about 4:40 p.m., causing damage to a cornfield and a machine shed holding about $20,000 worth of farm equipment. The farms were owned by Truman Flaaten and Gilmer Holstad and carved a 50 foot wide path through Flaaten's cornfield and striking Holstad's machine shed, which was 500 feet east of his home. No estimate of damage has been made on the two farms.

Eldon Krull, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Krull, Northwood, has been awarded a $500 Federal Land Bank Scholarship for his first year at Iowa State University in Ames, according to Gary Howell, manager of the Federal Land Bank Association at Mason City. Krull is one of three Iowa farm youths awarded Lank Bank scholarships for the 1973-74 year at Iowa State.

James A. Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Walker, Northwood, has been named director of development at Morningside College, Sioux City. The announcement was made by president Thomas S. Thompson. Walker attended Northwood-Kensett High School and graduated from Bettendorf High School in 1966. At Morningside he majored in business administration and psychology and graduate in 1970. He is an Eagle Scout and a former employee of the Northwood Anchor.

Linda Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arvid Thompson, Emmons, received a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy at the University of Iowa. She is a 1968 graduate of Lake Mills High School and is employed at Olathe, Kansas.

## 25 years ago

**June 24, 1998**

Kensett Township farmer Brett Johnson has his 1938 John Deere "G" tractor ready to go for Sunday's tractor pull at the Worth County Fair in Northwood.

Worth County Historical Society members Bev Madsen, Elvira Mellem and Helen Huus took a long look at part of the 5,000-button collection put together by Madsen's grandmother, the late Clara Lees of Bradgate. The collection is on loan to the historical society as part of the summer display at the old library museum in Northwood. The society's museums are open from 2-4 p.m. every Sunday and will be open from 2-4 p.m. on July 4.

Christina Waters of Northwood has received an Area 2 High School Scholarship from the NIACC Foundation to attend North Iowa Area Community College for the 1998-99 academic year. Waters attended Northwood-Kensett High School.

Ivan and Elaine Olson, Northwood, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 28, with an open house reception from 2:30-4:30 p.m. at Wesley Hall at the United Methodist Church in Northwood. A short program will be at 3:30 p.m. The couple were married on June 27, 1948, at First Lutheran Church, Northwood.

Northwood-Kensett softball coach Sue Tanner waves Vikings second baseman Kendra Julseth around third base on her way home for the second run in N-K's four-run fourth inning here against North Iowa.

The Northwood-Kensett varsity baseball team had a couple of near-misses, but the Vikings' diamond slump continued as they dropped four games to settle at 0-7 halfway through the North Iowa Conference season. The Vikings, now 3-13 overall, held brief leads over West Hancock and North Iowa, but lost both games by identical 6-5 scores in the seventh innings. The Vikings fell 13-6 here to Lake Mills and 12-1 to Ventura here.

## 10 years ago

**June 19, 2013**

The Worth County Fair is always a place for some great conversation. For some, it is the merits of the animals in the livestock shows. For some it is deciding what food to eat that day. For these young conversationalists, Sophia Butler, Taylor Foss and Cameron Rheingans, it was which would be the next ride they should choose to enjoy. More on all the fun events to choose from at this year's Worth County Fair can be found in an upcoming issue of the Northwood Anchor.

The City of Northwood crew worked quickly after the storm dropped over two inches of rain to add to swollen waterways. Turtle Creek's rapid flow, located at Fourth Street South, was eroding the banks of the road and threatening the bridge support. The city crew hauled in truckloads of rock to divert the rushing stream.

A mini-monsoon left many fields, streets and roadways completely submerged for a short time. Other areas, such as this portion of Highway 65, at the intersection of 430th Street, remained at least partially submerged throughout much of the following day. Iowa Department of Transportation crews remained posted on the road, which was reduced to one lane of traffic as the water subsided. When they weren't directing traffic, the DOT workers cleaned up the field debris that had been washed onto the road.

Baseball teams always seek to be strong defensively up the middle, and for the Northwood-Kensett baseball team, that means only one thing: Trevor Varner in center field. Varner, one of the most talented freshmen in the CBC this season, leads all N-K outfielders with 12 putouts. Varner also has an impressive .750 fielding percentage with just four errors committed this on a team with 72 errors in its first 10 games.

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# Obituaries

## Karen Larson

Karen Louise Larson, 84, of Macomb passed away at 5:10 p.m. on Thursday, May 18, 2023, at McDonough District Hospital in Macomb.

She was born on April 13, 1939, in Northwood, to Louie and Christine Hengesteg Mostrom. She married Willard Larson on August 18, 1985, in Sweden. He survives.

Also surviving are her children, Cindy Amundsen of Macomb, Jay (Becki) Flickinger of Canton and Laurie (Mike) McGillicuddy of Grafton, Illinois; step-children, Rebecca (John Moline) Larson of Arvada, Colorado, and Jeff (Tina) Larson of Phoenix, Arizona; seven grandchildren, Sam Amundsen, Brent (Erica) Flickinger, Blake (Lauren) Flickinger, Nick (Audrey) Hare, Morgan (Gedd Ross) Hare, Riley (Katie) McGillicuddy and Chelsea (Casey) Randall; and 14 great-grandchildren, Everly Flickinger, Myla Flickinger, Jaymes Flickinger, Grady Flickinger, Della Flickinger, Ella Hare, Findley Hare, Emily Hare, Miles Ross, Kaidynce McGillicuddy, Dax McGillicuddy, Kru McGillicuddy, Jackson Randall and Cooper Randall.



KAREN LARSON

She was preceded in death by her parents; stepson, Greg Larson; and one sister, Arleen Birdsell.

She lived in Northwood, Iowa, Macomb, Galva, Illinois and Lee's Summitt, Missouri before moving back to Macomb in 2022.

She started her education at Luther College and received her Master's degree from Western Illinois University. She worked as teacher for grade school and Principal for many years before her retirement.

She was a member of P.E.O. and AAUW. She enjoyed reading, knitting, being with her family and traveling with Willard.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A Memorial service was held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 11 a.m. at Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home in Macomb with Blake Flickinger officiating. Visitation was held from 10 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the P.E.O.

You may leave condolences and sign the guest book online at clugston-tibbitts.com.

## Susan (Thoen) Dieterich

Susan Jane Dieterich, 78, St. Ansgar, died on June 15, 2023. Her funeral will be held on Saturday, July 1, 2023, at First Lutheran Church, St. Ansgar. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, June 30, at Shroeder & Sites Funeral Home in St. Ansgar.

Susan Dieterich was born on October 6, 1944, minutes before her twin sister, to Glenn and Olga (Olson) Thoen in Northwood, Iowa. She was baptized, confirmed and married in First Lutheran Church, Northwood. Susan graduated from Northwood-Kensett High School in 1963 and has been active in class reunions and classmate get-togethers ever since.

Following high school Susan began her professional career at the Douglas Insurance Agency in Mason City. In 1965 she joined the staff of Northwestern States Portland Cement Company. While her sister was stationed in Washington, D.C., Susan joined her. While there from February through December 1967 Susan worked for Kelly Services, first at AAA headquarters near the White House and last at the University of Maryland, College Park campus. From January 1968 through December 1973 Susan worked at the Mason City High School as discipline and attendance secretary. She made lifelong friends everywhere she worked.

On January 6, 1973, Susan married Keith Dieterich. She and Keith established a home in St. Ansgar and became members of First Lutheran Church. Susan enjoyed her new community and was active in church, city and neighborhood activities. In 1974 Susan resigned her position at Mason City High School and became a full-time homemaker and, eventually, mother when their sons were born.



SUSAN DIETERICH

Even as a child, cooking has been a passion of Susan's, from watching and helping her mother, sometimes exchanging hints and advice, to cooking three meals daily for her own family. She enjoyed reading cookbooks like people enjoy reading novels. Susan was an excellent and generous cook and baker and anyone who shared her food will agree.

In 1990 Susan returned to school, graduating with honors from Hamilton Business College. She accepted a position at the Women's Health Center in Mason City and worked there until it became well-established and moved from its downtown location.

Susan was diagnosed with breast cancer in July 2005. A few months later, still recovering from a radical mastectomy and follow-up treatment, she had to deal with the death of her mother. Two months later, in January 2006, joy returned to her life with the birth of her first grandchild. Her grandchildren have been her pride and joy ever since.

Family has always been Susan's priority, not just her sons and husband, but her parents, her siblings and their children, and extended family members. For example, after her parents moved from the large family home to an apartment Susan hosted the Thoen family Christmases for 20 years. She always made herself and her home available to her family and friends. She was happiest being a wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

Susan is survived by her husband, Keith; her sons, Darren (Kate) Dieterich and children, Morgan, Will and Adie, Cedar Falls, and Derek (Katie) Dieterich and children, Matthew and Haley, St. Ansgar; twin sister, Sandra Thoen, Mason City; sister, Donna Stoltenberg, Northwood; brothers, Bob (Terri) Thoen, Burke, Va., David (Helen) Thoen, Manly, and John (Drenda) Thoen, Windsor, Colo.; sisters-in-law, Judy Everds, Owatonna, Minn., and Jean (George) Currier, Red Wing, Minn.; brothers-in-law, Darcy Erion, Hughesville, Md., and Jerry (Barb) Dieterich, Morristown, Tenn.; dozens of nieces and nephews; many great and great-great-nieces and nephews; several cousins; and a lifetime of friends.

Susan was preceded in death by her parents, Glenn and Olga Thoen; parents-in-law, Bill and Agnes Dieterich; sisters Marj Wescott and Ruth Erion; brothers-in-law, Chris Stoltenberg, George Wescott and Dave Everds; sister-in-law Eunice Dieterich; and one niece, three nephews, one great-niece and one great-nephew.*

## JoAnn McCallum

JoAnn I. McCallum, 91, of Nora Springs, died on June 12, 2023, at the Nora Springs Care Center. A private graveside service will be held in the South Shell Rock Cemetery.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.majorericksonfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements are with Major Erickson Funeral Home & Crematory, 111 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, Mason City, Iowa 50401, 641-423-0924, www.majorericksonfuneralhome.com.



JOANN MCCALLUM

## Bolan

On Saturday afternoon Cole Willert of Reinbeck, Iowa, came to spend Father's Day weekend at his parents' home, Scott and Lori Willert. On Sunday They were late dinner guests at the home of Joe and Linda Nydegger. They were joined by Kelsie Willert of Des Moines and Reese Drenth of Ames.

It is VBS week in Bolan. To close out the week there will be a light finger food supper at 6 p.m. on Friday before the Program.

## Notice

**WORTH COUNTY ORDINANCE #2023-01 AN ORDINANCE READOPTING THE EXISTING COUNTY CODE AND ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO, WORTH COUNTY, IOWA**

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa:

Section 1. Purpose. Code of Iowa section 331.302(9) requires that once every five years a County shall compile its Code of Ordinances. This ordinance readopts ordinances already in effect, adopts ordinances that become effective after the last readopting and repeals any ordinance deemed no longer necessary to the operation of Worth County, Iowa or the health, safety, and welfare of its' citizens.

Section 2. Readopting of Current Code. The following ordinances have been previously adopted and enacted into law and were duly published as the law provides. They are stated herein by number and subject matter and by the authority of the Worth County Board of Supervisors, comprise Worth County Code of Ordinances:

TITLE I. ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE
1. Accepting & Reporting of Gift
2. Iowa Ethanol Urban Renewal Area
3. Local Option Sales & Service Tax – Unincorporated Area
4. Local Option Sales & Service Tax – Incorporated Area
5. Redistricting & Reprecincting
6. Local Office Fee for Uniform Commercial Code Information Request
7. Urban Revitalization Areas
8. Exemption from Property Taxation for Value Added to Industrial Real Estate
9. Hartland Township Urban Renewal Area
10. Worth County UR-2 Urban Renewal Area
11. Worth County Consolidated Urban Renewal Area

TITLE II. PUBLIC SERVICES
2.1 RESERVED

TITLE III. BUSINESS AND OCCUPATIONS
3.1 RESERVED

TITLE IV. STREETS, ROADS, PUBLIC WAYS AND TRANSPORTATION
1. Area Service System B Road Classification
2. Snow & Ice Removal & Maintenance
3. Uniform Rural Address System
4. Regulating the Operation of All-Terrain and Off-Road Vehicles
5. Regulating Parking on 450th Street

TITLE V. PUBLIC ORDER, SAFETY AND HEALTH
1. Assault, Harassment & Stalking
2. Disaster Recovery
3. Hazardous Substances
4. Littering & Unauthorized Use of County Dump Facilities
5. Motor Vehicles
6. Non-Public Water Well Rules
7. On-Site Waste Water Disposal Rules
8. Theft & Fraudulent Practices
9. Well Abandonment Standards
10. Prohibiting Unlawful Consumption by a Minor
11. Social Host
12. Possession of Alcohol – Kuennen's Quarry

TITLE VI. PROPERTY AND LAND USE
1. Ordinance Regulating the Construction and Operation of Commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems
2. Assessment of Wind Energy Conversion Property
3. Amending Zoning Ordinance of Hartland, Brookfield, & Danville Townships, Worth County, Iowa
4. Amending Worth County Building Code
5. Subdivision Ordinance
6. Floodplain Management

TITLE VII. SOCIAL AND HUMAN SERVICES
1. County General Relief Standards of Assistance
2. Veterans Assistance Program

TITLE VIII. CULTURE, EDUCATION AND RECREATION
1. Hunting, Fishing, & Trapping

TITLE IX. FRANCHISES
9.1 RESERVED

TITLE X. ADMINISTRATION
10.1 Recodification

Section 3. Repeal of County Laws. The following ordinances, deemed by the board of supervisors to be of no further value to the operation of Worth County or to the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens, are hereby repealed:

6. Renewable Energy Zoning Exemption for property committed for county infrastructure projects (Repealed 04/19/2021)

Section 4. Code of Ordinances. Copies of the code as adopted herein shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the County Auditor at the Worth County Courthouse.

Section 5. When Effective. This ordinance shall be effective after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Adopted and passed this 12th day of June, 2023, by the Worth County Board of Supervisors.

Enos Loberg, Chairperson
Aaron Stone, Vice-Chairperson
Mark Smeby, Supervisors
Attest: Jacki A. Backhaus, Worth County Auditor

Public Hearing held May 30, June 5 and 12, 2023.

Adopted Ordinance published: June 21 and 22, 2023.

## 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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## City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on 6/12/23 at 6 pm with Mayor Moehle presiding and the following council members present: George-Zenz, Peterson, Nerlien, Reeder, Tenold.

Motion to approve the agenda. Unam.

Motion to approve the following under Consent Agenda: Meeting Minutes of 5/22/23; Treasurer Report; 5 day Liquor License- Northwood Area Chamber of Commerce; Cigarette/Tobacco Permit Renewals- Casey's General Store #1753; Fallgatter's Market Place; Naji, Inc. Northwood Tobacco; R80; Shade Tree Liquors; Dollar General Store #9644; Claims as follows:

Payable to: For: Amount
NSB, Deposit Slips ..... $60.62
NSB, Monthly ACH ..... $20.00
Iowa Finance Authority
Sewer GO Bond ..... $198,980.00
Iowa Finance Authority
Sewer Revenue Bone ..... $227,257.50
Iowa Dept of Revenue
WA Excise Tax ..... $1,171.04
Iowa Dept of Revenue
Sales Tax ..... $390.43
Knutson Oil, Fuel ..... $953.60
Office of Auditor of State
FY21 & 22 Filing Fees ... $500.00
Verizon Wireless
Cell Phones ..... $106.66
Wellmark BCBS
Insurance ..... $655.20
Wellmark BCBS
Insurance ..... $10,171.74
Payroll, Wages ..... $20,437.46
Principal, Insurance ..... $478.89
Worth Co. Recorder
Release-cc ..... $7.00
IA DNR,
Cert. Renewal-pw ..... $120.00
Visa, Supplies ..... $1,459.07
Payroll, Wages ..... $20,377.77
Petty Cash
Startup cash-pool ..... $200.00
Alliant Energy
Services ..... $14,601.29
US Postal Service
Mailing-cc ..... $327.84
Worth Co. Recorder
Release-cc ..... $7.00
Payroll, Wages ..... $24,951.74
Payroll
Wages-coaches/groundskeeper ... $4,800.00
Payroll, Wages-pool ..... $5,642.40
A-1 Portables
Portable Restroom-rec ... $120.00
Allen Occupational
Testing-pw ..... $142.50
Badger Meter
Beacon Hosting Service-pw ..... $34.35
Beland Tree Service
Tree Removal ..... $1,000.00
Carquest, Supplies-pw ..... $325.25
Cemstone, Top Soil-pw ..... $73.95
D & L Equipment
Parts-pw ..... $313.57
Dick's Place, Services-pw. $300.00
Eilertson Repair
Battery-pw ..... $199.95
Enos Loberg, Supplies-pw . $74.80
Fallgattersm Supplies-pool $65.44
Farmers New Ag
Supplies-pw ..... $1,391.00
Freeborn County Co-op
Dust Control-park ..... $3,278.40
Greve Law Office
Legal Services ..... $600.00
Falkstone, Supplies-pw. $1,291.12
H & Z Drywall & Painting
Drywall, Paint, Ceiling-PD Building ..... $22,620.99
Hawkins
Supplies-pool ..... $10,280.78
Huber Supply
Supplies-pw ..... $51.15
ICAP
Property Insurance ... $91,362.00
ICAP, Solar Insurance ..... $67.00
IMWCA
Work Comp Insurance ..... $12,132.00
Iowa One Call
Services-pw ..... $25.30
John Deere Financial
Freight-pw ..... $118.39
John Greve
Legal Services ..... $500.00
Karl Ford
Pickup Truck ..... $42,640.00
Kelly Hardware, Supplies-pw,cc,rec ..... $2,496.93
Knutson Oil Co
Fuel-pw,tr ..... $2,145.00
Landfill of NI
TV's Spring Clean-up ..... $338.00
Larsen Plumbing & Heating
Repairs-pool ..... $115.28
Logan Butler
Supplies, UB Deposit-cc ... $84.50
Marsh Painting
Pool Repairs ..... $357.00
Microbac Labs
Testing-pw ..... $944.50
Northern Lights Dist
Concession Supplies-pool ..... $1,916.33
Northwood Anchor
Publications ..... $1,263.35
Northwood Electric
Repairs-pw ..... $72.00
Northwood Electric
Repairs ..... $1,027.97
Northwood Sanitation
Dumpster-pd ..... $110.00
Northwood Sanitation
Services ..... $7,696.00
Northwood Senior Center
Monthly Donation ..... $800.00
OPD Business Solutions
Supplies-cc ..... $60.63
Olson Insurance
Bonds Policy Renewal .... $193.50
Pepsi, Supplies-Pool ..... $459.63
Ross Gaetzke
Batting Cage Cement-rec ..... $6,887.50
Springer Construction
Gazebo Repairs-park ... $5,844.97
Taylor Construction
Flooring & Labor-PD Building ... $7,026.81
Three Oaks Greenhouse
Cemetery Flowers ..... $1,219.95
Three Oaks Greenhouse
City Flowers ..... $2,730.90
Trading Post
Supplies-pw ..... $1,443.97
Soccer Referees
Officiating-rec ..... $240.00
Viafield, Supplies-pw ..... $527.88
Vince Nieman
Labor-PD Building ..... $1,075.00
WCTA, Phone/Internet .... $638.39
Worth Co Abstract
Lien Search-cc ..... $125.00
Worth Co. Sheriff's Office
28E Police Services ... $31,170.75
Worth Lumber Co
Supplies-park ..... $101.90
Library:
Alliant Energy, Utilities .. $280.79
Baker & Taylor, Books .. $1,099.08
Center Point Large Print
Materials ..... $54.35
Iowa State University
Program ..... $448.36
Kelly Hardware, Supplies .. $49.34
Plunkett's Pest Control
Olson Room ..... $89.02
Sherrie Hansen
Materials ..... $104.00

Summary of May 2023 receipts by fund type: General - $81,450.54; Special Revenue-$95,991.33; Debt Service - $6,774.16; Capital Projects-$2,207.39; Enterprise-$86,446.35; Trust & Agency - $750.00.

Summary of May 2023 disbursements by fund type: General - $116,806.90; Special Revenue-$33,467.06; Debt Service-$0; Capital Projects-$0; Enterprise-$92,194.74; Trust & Agency - $0.

Roll was called and the following voted Aye: George-Zenz, Peterson, Nerlien, Reeder, Tenold.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2306-11 Approve Transfer from TIF Fund to Debt Service Fund. Unam.

Mike Drilling with FC Solar Solutions discussed the Waste Water Treatment Plant Solar Project.

Motion to purchase a truck for $42,640.00 from Karl Chevrolet. Unam.

Motion to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

## Supervisors

**June 12, 2023**
**Twenty-fourth 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 Smeby/Second Stone to approve today's agenda and minutes from the June 5, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to set bid letting hearing date for July 10 at 8:45 A.M. for structure replacements of Kensett 26 (FHWA #356115 on 415th Street and Lincoln 42 (FHWA #355600) on Mallard Avenue. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve plans for structure replacements of Kensett 26 (FHWA #356115 on 415th Street and Lincoln 42 (FHWA #355600) on Mallard Avenue. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve professional services agreement, by and between Worth County, Iowa and WHKS & Co. for Fertile 63 Bridge (FHWA #355900) on Dogwood Avenue North of 390th Street. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to accept Amendment #3 to the DD #49 Reclassification Report as submitted by Jonathan P. Rosengren, P.E., Bolton & Menk Inc. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve claims in the amount of $54,421.38 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Allen Occupational Health Serv
Service-Eng & Con ..... 800.50
Aramark, Service-Eng ..... 160.88
Bcn Telecom, Service-Gsr .. 104.39
Carquest Auto Parts Inc
Supplies-Eng ..... 1,553.56
Cerro Gordo Co Sheriff
Service-Juj ..... 61.81
City Of Fertile, Service-Eng 77.93
City Of Joice, Service-Eng ... 87.05
City Of Kensett, Service-Eng ..... 15.00
City Of Northwood
Service-Gsr ..... 687.79
Colton Kisner, Safety-Eng ... 50.02
Com-Tec Land Mobile Radio
Service-Shf ..... 9,329.15
Culligan Of Mason City
Service-Trs ..... 79.20
Falkstone Llc, Rock-Eng . 5,961.10
Fallgatter's Market Inc
Supplies-Con ..... 73.29
Five Star Cooperative
Fuel-Eng ..... 148.43
Frank Stearns
Service-Mex ..... 450.00
Geocomm Inc
Service-911 ..... 3,402.00
Huber Supply Co Inc
Supplies-Eng ..... 91.92
Ia Dept Of Agriculture
Levy-Taxes ..... 729.92
Ia Dept Of Transportation
Edu-Eng ..... 600.00
Ia Law Enforcement Academy
Edu-Shf ..... 375.00
Icube, Dues-Dap ..... 200.00
J&L Autobody And Customs Llc
Service-Shf ..... 200.00
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf ..... 173.22
Kelly Hardware
Supplies-Gsr ..... 283.32
Knudtson Automotive Service
Service-Phd ..... 283.20
Lawson Products Inc
Parts-Eng ..... 56.30
Lexisnexis, Service-Aty ..... 183.00
Manly Cemetery Assn./City Of Manly, Service-Vaf ..... 1,038.00
Manly Junction Signal
Service-Sup ..... 292.31
Midwest Pipe Supply Inc
Supplies-Eng ..... 9,256.00
Northwood Anchor Inc
Service-Sup ..... 646.12
Nuss Truck & Equipment Inc
Service-Eng ..... 2,974.00
Performance Food Service
Supplies-Shf ..... 627.29
Scott Lestrud, Safety-Eng . 146.56
Shred Right, Service-Phd .. 157.86
U S Postal Service
Renewal-Sdp ..... 60.00
Vanguard Appraisals Inc
Service-Asr ..... 3,180.00
Viafield, Supplies-Con .... 1,968.96
Visu-Sewer Inc
Service-Wwt ..... 1,088.75
Wex Bank, Service-Tra ... 2,860.72
Winnebago Coop Telephone Assn
Service-Gsr ..... 3,786.77
Worth Lumber Co
Supplies-Eng ..... 120.06
Grand Total ..... 54,421.38

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

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

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to acknowledge and place on file the manure management plan updates for Dalluge Farms Inc. #59612. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve Resolution 2023-22 Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget Appropriations. Roll call: Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye, Loberg – Aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in the Auditor's Office).

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve Resolution 2023-23 Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Interfund Operating Transfers. Roll call: Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye, Loberg – Aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in the Auditor's Office).

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign the Fiscal 2023/2024 Salary Resolution #2023-24 placed on file with the County Auditor. Roll call: Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye, Loberg – Aye. Motion carried.

Chairperson Loberg recessed the regular session at 9:00 A.M.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to open the public hearing for Ordinance #2023-01 – An Ordinance Readopting the Existing County Code and All Amendments Thereto, Worth County, Iowa (Third and Final Reading) at 9:01 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 Smeby/Second Stone to approve Ordinance #2023-1 An Ordinance Readopting the Existing County Code and All Amendments Thereto, Worth County Iowa. Roll call: Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye, Loberg – Aye. Motion carried. This ordinance will be effective upon publication.

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

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Enos Loberg, Chairperson

## N-K School

The Northwood-Kensett Board of Directors met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 in the Administrative Office at 7:00 P.M.

Members present: Larry Hovey, Bradley Christianson, John Anderson and Cindy Pangbrun
Absent: Susan Kliment

(4-0) Approved the Agenda for June 13, 2023; May 15, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes; Financial Reports for May; June bills for payment

Reports:

Elementary Principal: 1) Summer School update 2) PLC Conference, 9 staff members attending PLC conference June 25-28th

Secondary Principal: 1) Coach Hunt would like to run a 5 on 5 passing tournament mid-July to fund reconditioning and repaint of all our football helmets. Booster Club will help some of the cost 2) 23-24 Post Prom parents have agreed to take over the concessions stand for the remaining six baseball/softball games. They have also indicated they'd like the have football and winter sports concessions also.

Superintendent: 1) Thank you to the entire staff for the accomplishment of another year. We celebrated with a potluck and Tuesday, May 30th with service awards presented to staff. We are fortunate to have great employees, leaders and board members 2) Painting of the Administrative Office and Bus Barn will begin mid-June

School Board: 1) Next regular board meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 12, 2023 at 7:00 pm

New Business:

(4-0) approve the contract with NIACC for educational services for the 2023-2024 school year

(4-0) approve the review of the 900 series board policies

(4-0) approve to rescind policies 901.02, 902.05, 902.06 and 903.06

(4-0) approve the first reading of policies 901, 902.04, 903.01, 903.02 and 904.01

(4-0) approve the Brian Costello and Keith Fritz as Level I Investigators and the Worth Co Sheriff's Department as Level II Investigator. District has the ability to use Central Rivers AEA list if needed

(4-0) approve Anderson Erickson Dairy for the Milk bid and Pan-O-Gold for the bread bid for the 2023-2024 school year

(4-0) approve the HR Sharing agreement

Personnel

(4-0) approve the hire of Sam Hunt as Head Girls Golf coach for the 2023-2024 school year

(4-0) approve the transfer for Mindy Heeren from associate to the secondary building to cook at the secondary building at a rate of $13.00 per hour for the 2023-24 school year

(4-0) approve the hire of Merritt Fallis as the K-12 music teacher and Drama Sponsor for the 2023-24 school year at the MA-17 level

(4-0) approve the hire of Ashley Haxton as Head Volleyball Coach for the 2023-24 school year

(4-0) approve the hire of Jaqueline Imler as an associate at the secondary building at a rate of $13.50 per hour pending successful background check

(4-0) approve the fund-raisers for the Football Program as explained by Mr. Fritz, Secondary Principal

(4-0) adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm

Northwood-Kensett Community School District
Board Report - Newspaper

Vendor Name
Vendor Description
Amount
AGiRepair, Inc, parts ..... 3,990.00
AGVANTAGE FS, INC
propane ..... 462.31
AIRGAS USA, LLC
SUPPLIES ..... 152.58
All Star Pest Control
pest control ..... 75.00
ALLIANT ENERGY
ELECTRICITY ..... 11,887.25
Amazon Capital Services
SUPPLIES ..... 0.00
BATTON, SHANE
Lawn Care ..... 2,937.50
Cambium Assessment Inc
assessments ..... 29.00
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS
SUPPLIES ..... 53.57
CEMSTONE CONCRETE MATERIALS, LLC, SUPPLIES ... 285.04
Center for the Collaborative
Classroom, curriculum .. 15,600.00
CITY OF NORTHWOOD
water/sewer ..... 1,037.97
College Board, AP exams ..... 88.00
DRIVEWISE, service ..... 395.00
ELECTRONIC SPECIALTIES, INC, service ..... 40.00
FALLGATTER'S MARKET
SUPPLIES ..... 627.94
Fredericks, Ivan, labor ..... 400.00
Goodale Custom Pumping
service ..... 1,040.00
GreenBelt Technology Solutions
LLC, Erate app mgmt ..... 2,446.58
HARRIS, ROGER, meat .... 100.00
HENGESTEG, KIM
reimbursement ..... 221.76
HOGLUND BUS COMPANY
REPAIRS ..... 663.22
HOVEY'S LAWN AND GARDEN
LLC, LAWN CARE ..... 575.00
iboss, Inc, SOFTWARE ... 3,024.53
IOWA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS
workshop ..... 350.00
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
medicaid ..... 4,285.94
Iowa Water Management Company, boiler service ..... 215.00
JAMF SOFTWARE, LLC
software ..... 1,260.00
Jim & Dude's, services ..... 930.00
Kelly Hardware
SUPPLIES ..... 281.05
Knudtson Automotive Services
transportation services .... 480.67
LARSEN PLUMBING & HEATING, INC., services ..... 1,631.95
LEA MOBILE GLASS, INC.
glass service ..... 320.00
LIGHTSPEED TECHNOLOGIES, INC., supplies ..... 24.00
MARC, supplies ..... 346.64
MARTIN BROTHERS
supplies ..... 3,904.96
MASON CITY GLASS
service ..... 100.00
Mick Gage Plumbing & Heating, Inc., plumbing ..... 1,263.73
MIDWEST ALARM SERVICES
services ..... 247.50
NORTH IOWA MEDIA GROUP
ad ..... 312.24
NORTHWOOD ANCHOR
PUBLICATION ..... 172.00
NORTHWOOD CHIROPRACTIC
PC, physical ..... 100.00
NORTHWOOD SANITATION
garbage ..... 630.00
Piper Sandler & Co.
financial services ..... 2,450.00
PLUMB SUPPLY COMPANY - MC, SUPPLIES ..... 169.15
POSTMASTER, supplies ... 146.00
Prairie Ridge Integrated Behavioral Healthcare
therapy ..... 10,980.00
SCHILLING SUPPLY COMPANY
supplies ..... 236.96
SOLUTION TREE
supplies ..... 129.80
TIMBERLINE BILLING SERVICE LLC
MEDICAID BILLING ..... 280.40
TRADING POST, supplies .. 31.97
VIAFIELD, supplies ..... 89.33
VISA, service ..... 1,759.90
WINNEBAGO COOPERATIVE TELECOM ASSN
phone/internet service .. 1,151.14
Worth Lumber Company
supplies ..... 246.65
Wuerflein Chevrolet
supplies ..... 35.87
YEZEK, JOSEPH
paint deposit ..... 4,147.00
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS
SUPPLIES ..... 15.78
Checking Account ID 1 . 84,857.88
APPLE, INC., SUPPLIES 2,392.00
ASPI SOLUTIONS, INC
track ..... 84.00
BECKER, TREY, official ... 130.00
Bice Electric LLC
service ..... 692.00
Bigger Faster Stronger
service ..... 3,990.00
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS
SUPPLIES ..... 8.59
DECKER SPORTING GOODS
supplies ..... 977.75
DEHRKOPP, MIKE
official ..... 120.00
DINGMAN, DAN, official .. 130.00
EILERTSON REPAIR
service ..... 22.95
FALLGATTER'S MARKET
SUPPLIES ..... 436.02
Farmers New Ag, LLC
supplies ..... 1,119.47
GERHARDT, STEVE
official ..... 130.00
Hengesteg, Gretchen
reimbursement ..... 140.00
Hoffman, Brooks, official ... 130.00
IOWA HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC ASSOC, fee ..... 25.00
Kelly Hardware
SUPPLIES ..... 38.85
KRUKOW, ARNIE
official ..... 120.00
Lynx System Developers Inc
service ..... 140.00
Mason City High School
Coop soccer ..... 1,038.00
MEINDERS, DAVE
official ..... 120.00
Mueller, Dean
reimbursement ..... 9,296.20
Murphy, Pat, Official ..... 130.00
NAT'L FFA ORGANIZATION
fee ..... 1,088.91
Newton, Jeff, official ..... 120.00
O'Hern, Tony, official ..... 120.00
Olson, Frank, official ..... 120.00
PIONEER MANUFACTURING CO., supplies ..... 2,085.40
Pittenger, Henry, Official .. 130.00
STILES, RYAN, official ..... 130.00
SULLIVAN, TOM, official . 120.00
Thorson, Megan
reimb supplies ..... 71.30
TROPHIES PLUS, INC.
supplies ..... 25.88
WEST HANCOCK HIGH SCHOOL, fee ..... 90.00
Fund Number 21 ..... 25,512.32
UMB Bank NA
bond payment ..... 900.00
Fund Number 33 ..... 900.00
FLR Sanders
recoat gym floor ..... 5,100.00
Marco, copier lease ..... 1,440.52
NETWORKS
fire wall ..... 8,401.95
SELGRADE CONSTRUCTION INC, radon mitigation ... 13,540.00
Skyline Sales and Marketing
recoat Elem gym floors .... 395.00
TimeClock Plus
time clock system ..... 1,180.00
Fund Number 36 ..... 30,057.47
ANDERSON ERICKSON DAIRY
MILK ..... 1,993.17
EMS DETERGENT SERVICES
SUPPLIES ..... 80.50
FALLGATTER'S MARKET
SUPPLIES ..... 41.40
GOODWIN TUCKER GROUP
repairs ..... 1,636.92
MARTIN BROTHERS
Food/supplies ..... 11,237.43
PAN-O-GOLD BAKING CO
BREAD ..... 980.30
Pestorious, Chard or Lori
refund lunch fund ..... 102.75
Senne, Justin
refund lunch fund ..... 3.00
STEVENS, TOM OR AMBER
refund lunch fund ..... 5.50
Therma, service ..... 408.00
Urban, Matthew
refund lunch fund ..... 31.45
VANSABBEN, THERESA
refund lunch fund ..... 17.20
Fund Number 61 ..... 16,537.62

PROFESSIONAL CARD
Business Announcements

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

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

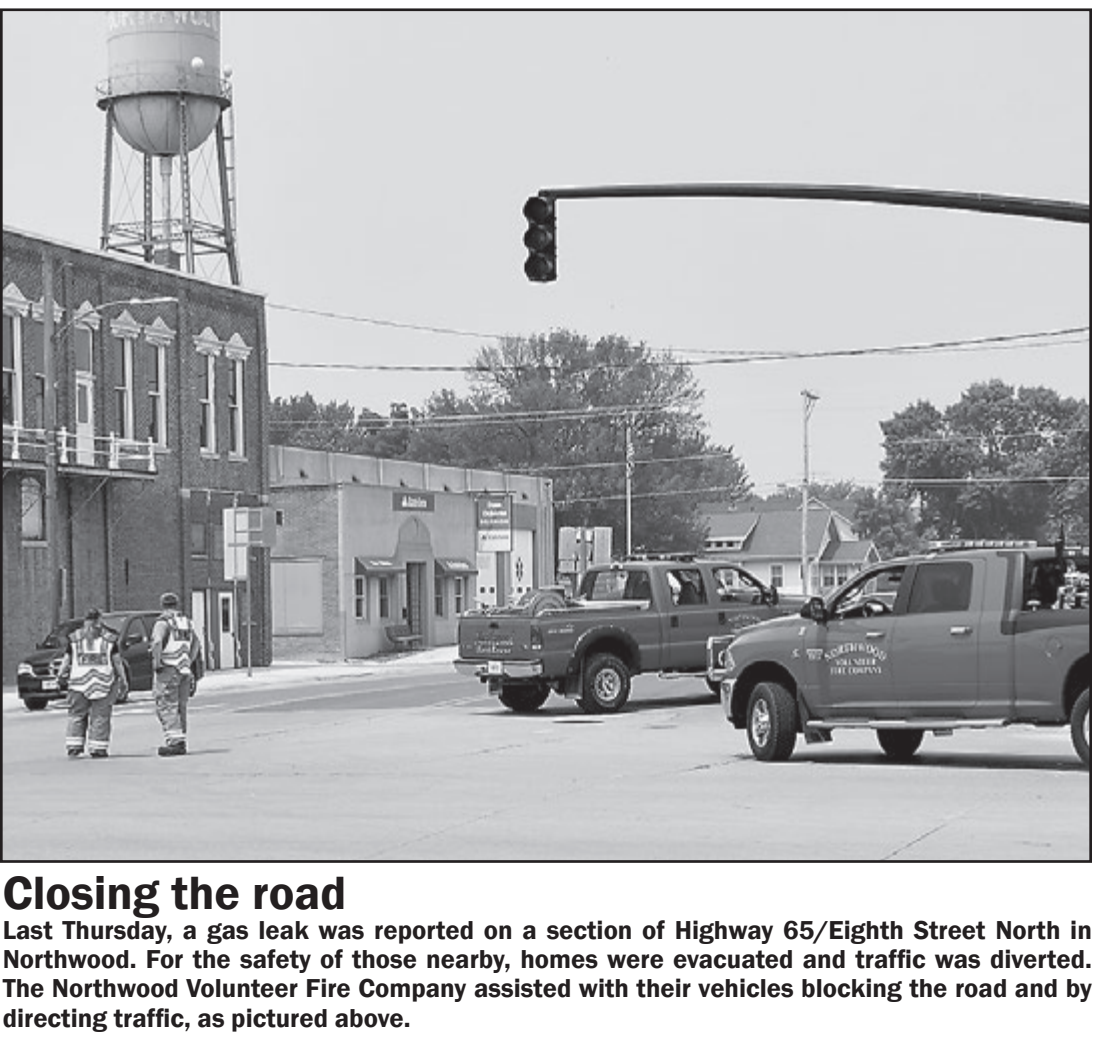
NORTHWOOD INSURANCE AGENCY
John Midtgaard, Agent
91 9th St. S., Northwood, IA
Office 641-324-9844 Fax 641-324-9844

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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

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DAVID PENFOLD, DDS
Mon. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Tues. 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Wed. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.,Thurs. 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Fri. 8 a.m. - Noon
641-324-1364
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802 9th Ave. North
Northwood, Iowa 50459



## Closing the road

**Last Thursday, a gas leak was reported on a section of Highway 65/Eighth Street North in Northwood. For the safety of those nearby, homes were evacuated and traffic was diverted. The Northwood Volunteer Fire Company assisted with their vehicles blocking the road and by directing traffic, as pictured above.**





## The NVFC BBQ

**On Saturday, June 10, many in the community made a meal out of a visit to the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company station in Northwood. The department held its annual barbecue fundraiser, serving pork and sides to over 1,000 people and raising $14,000. The event also provided an opportunity for the NVFC to show off its new ambulance. See more on the new addition to the NVFC fleet in next week's Anchor.**

# More than 5,000 apply for state private school aid on first day

**By Jay Waagmeester**
**Iowa Capital Dispatch**
**www.iowacapitaldispatch.com**

Over 5,000 families applied for state aid for private school expenses before the end of the first day of the application period, according to the governor's office.

Gov. Kim Reynolds announced the launch for education savings accounts, which provide state aid for private school expenses, in a video on May 31.

"I believe that school choice will improve our overall education experience in Iowa," Reynolds said in the video. "I believe it will create a system of schools, both public and private, that are driven by student-centered missions."

Applications can be submitted at educateiowa.gov. The application period runs until June 30 at 11:59 p.m.

Sitting atop the governor's goals for the year, education savings accounts were passed by the Iowa Legislature this spring, but not without contention.

The program was signed into law Jan. 24, just 15 days after the start of the 2023 session and after nearly 10 hours of debate in the House and Senate.

As previously reported by the Iowa Capital Dispatch, critics of the new program argue public schools, especially in rural areas will be harmed.

Some critics argue that education savings accounts are not reflective of what the people of Iowa want, and legislators are ignoring their constituents' wishes.

"Iowans are overwhelmingly opposed to vouchers because public money is for public schools and they do not want more public schools to close," House Minority Leader Jennifer Konfrst said in a statement. "For families that attend one of the 75% of public schools in a rural area without access to a private school, there is no new 'choice' for them, it only means fewer opportunities for their kids. Democrats will continue to hold the governor and Republican politicians accountable at every turn until they drop the politics and start listening to Iowans."

Auditor of State Rob Sand, a Democrat, has also spoken out against the program, arguing that it has little oversight as to how the private schools spend the government money they receive.

Sand released a statement a day before the bill was signed into law pointing out public schools are required to have open meetings, produce public records and are audited annually, and private schools are not bound by those rules.

"Whether you call them ESAs or vouchers, as Iowa's taxpayer watchdog I am alarmed by the intentional lack of transparency and accountability under the proposed legislation," Sand tweeted a day before the bill passed. "This bill provides no rules for how private schools use these funds. After a private school gets public dollars as tuition, they could buy a teacher or teachers brand new Ford Mustang convertibles in the name of incentive pay."

Iowa families with an income equal to or below 300% the federal poverty line may now register to receive $7,598 per student to send their children to a school of their choice, including private schools.

The poverty line for a family of four is $30,000, meaning families with an income of $90,000 or less are eligible for the program in the first year, according to federalregister.gov. In the second year, the threshold is raised to 400% of the poverty line, and in the third year the program is open to all families, regardless of income.

Starting in the first year of the program, all kindergarten students are eligible for the program.

The application process starts on the Department of Education's website, and applicants will be redirected to Odyssey, a New York education technology company hired in February to manage the educational savings account program.

## Notice

NOTICE TO BIDDERS AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
2023 Asphalt Street Improvement Project
City of Northwood
Northwood, IA

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# Lady Vikings win! N-K snaps 34 game losing streak with 10-7 win at N-P

**By Mike Simmons**
**Sports Editor**

Less than a week after the Northwood Anchor reported on the Northwood-Kensett softball program's woes suffering through its 34-game losing streak, the Lady Vikings have successfully snapped that streak, ending it at 34 games with last Wednesday's 10-7 come from behind win over Nashua-Plainfield.

The Lady Vikings took advantage of 14 walks by the Huskies pitching staff to jump out to an early 6-2 lead, scoring three runs in the second and third while holding Nashua-Plainfield to just two runs.

Hoping to snap the streak, the Lady Vikings sent eighth grader Lauren Heiken to the circle, but she was hit with five Huskie runs in the bottom of the fourth, erasing N-K's advantage and giving N-P the 7-6 lead after four complete innings.

"We're a very young team still," said Lady Vikings head coach Stacey Martin. "And although the wins are still lacking like it was last season, statistically we've come a long way and have improved a lot from last year."

That improvement came into play later in the game when still trailing 7-6. As they came to the plate in the top of the seventh, this Lady Vikings team did not surrender, did not assume defeat, instead, they had their best inning of the year, pushing four runs across the plate to defeat the Huskies on their home turf, 10-7 in Top of Iowa Conference East action.

"It was a huge win for us obviously after last season," Martin said after the stunning come from behind win, the first of her young coaching career at N-K.

"We were behind by a run heading into the seventh inning as well so that showed some of their mental toughness as well, which we've been working with."

The winning pitcher, picking up her first career varsity win and at the same time snapping a 34-game losing streak for the program, Heiken was ecstatic still two days after the team's historic win.

"It was great, it was a great feeling," the talented freshman-to-be said after Friday's home game against West Fork. "I was able to get a few strikeouts and the team put together some hits when we really needed it, it was fun bonding as a team after that win."

A few Ks? More like a career high 12 Ks for the young hurler, who worked seven innings and surrendered only two walks and 10 hits, ending the game with an incredible 1.71 WHIP. Sophomore Topanga Hackenmiller led the team at the plate with a two hit, two run performance in the 10-7 victory.

Although Wednesday's game was the most exciting and talked about, the Lady Vikings did compete in other games last week, including last Monday, where despite lasting a full seven innings, a close 2-0 ballgame slid into chaos in the final three innings when the visiting Bearcats put the game on ice with 11 runs, securing the 13-0 TIC East win in Northwood.



N-K hurler Lauren Heiken delivers a pitch last Friday in Northwood versus West Fork. Heiken last Wednesday put a stop to the Lady Vikings' 34-game losing streak with a career high 12 Ks against Nashua-Plainfield in the 10-7 conference win, the team's first since a 4-1 win over Osage on July 1, 2021.

North Butler's pitching held the Lady Vikings to just one hit on the night, an Alexandria Hanson-Brandsoy's single that spoiled the no hitter chance for the Bearcats pitcher, Kiya Johnson, who had 17 Ks and no walks allowed in the seven inning win.

Last Tuesday night in Buffalo Center, N-K had just three total bases in its 12-0 loss to the Lady Bison of North Iowa, who scored the 12-0 win in just three innings against the Lady Vikings.

Despite the loss in the circle, Heiken had a strong showing as she gave up just five earned runs in the TIC East defeat.

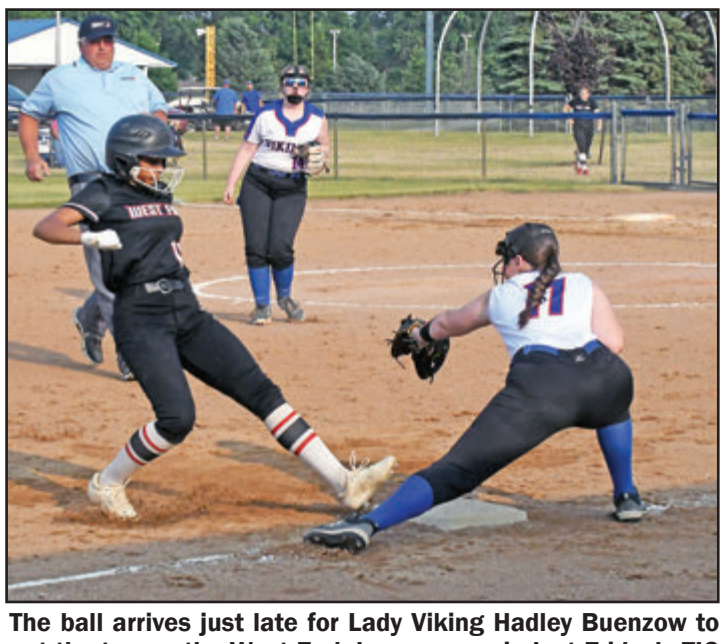
N-K lost to West Fork last Friday in Northwood and then played in the West Hancock Invitational on Saturday, results and statistics for those game were not available at this time.

With last Wednesday's win over N-P, the Lady Vikings are now 1-13 overall and 1-10 in the TIC East.

The girls had just two games this week, Monday at Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock and Friday when they host Newman Catholic.



Lady Viking first baseman Jasmine Renteria stretches to make the fine play at first in last Saturday's West Hancock Invitational. Renteria, this year's lone senior, has a .233 batting average, five RBIs, and an incredible .944 fielding percentage with just two errors in 36 total chances.



The ball arrives just late for Lady Viking Hadley Buenzow to get the tag on the West Fork base runner in last Friday's TIC East loss to West Fork.

TIC East Softball Standings

| TIC East | | Overall | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Central Springs | 10-1 | 16-4 | |
| Newman Catholic | 8-3 | 19-6 | |
| North Butler | 7-4 | 9-6 | |
| West Fork | 4-3 | 9-4 | |
| Saint Ansgar | 5-4 | 14-7 | |
| Osage | 6-5 | 19-6 | |
| Rockford | 3-9 | 4-12 | |
| Northwood-Kensett | 1-10 | 1-13 | |
| Nashua-Plainfield | 1-10 | 2-19 | |

# Vikings beat NI and WF, improve to 5-12 one year after going 0-21

**By Mike Simmons**
**Sports Editor**

With the Northwood-Kensett baseball team winning its fifth game of the year so far, last season's 0-21 debacle seems like ancient history, and indeed it is to this season's Vikings squad who just improved to 5-12 overall and 3-9 in the Top of Iowa Conference East with their wins last week over North Iowa (11-6) and West Fork (11-4).

The Vikings got off to a slow start last week and suffered a disappointing 11-1, five inning loss last Monday in Northwood to North Butler. Trailing just 5-1 after two innings N-K let the game slip away in the third when it surrendered five runs in the top of the inning, allowing the Bearcats to slip out of town with the convincing 11-1 TIC East victory.

Sophomore hurler Evan Lorenzen suffered the loss for the Vikings on the hill, giving up just one hit and only one earned run in his one inning of work.

The Bearcats hold a 22-5 record against N-K but the two teams have split the series at 4-4 dating back to 2019.

The Vikings traveled to Buffalo Center to face the Bison of North Iowa, a team N-K has beaten now in six of the last nine games played, including last Tuesday's 11-6 non-conference win.

The Bison, on just nine hits for the game, surged to an early 6-1 lead after scoring three runs in each of the first two innings, and still led 6-4 heading into the top of the fifth.

That's when the Vikings, who had nine singles and a double for the game, rallied and pushed five runs across the plate, then secured the non-conference victory with two insurance runs in the top of the seventh, completing the 11-6 win.

Hitting safely for the Vikings were Justin Mills (1-2), Jace Lindberg (1-3) and freshman Brady Christianson (2-4). On the mound, Lorenzen picked up his second career varsity win with eight Ks, four walks and an all-world WHIP of just 0.57, meaning, the talented soph. allowed on average, less than one base runner per inning over the course of his seven innings of work.



Viking third baseman Jace Lindberg had a hard time finding the ball in all the dust, allowing the nearly invisible Huskie to slide into the bag safely in last Wednesday afternoon's TIC East loss.

A bad first inning doomed the Vikings last Wednesday in their early game at Nashua-Plainfield when the Huskies scored seven runs, then added five more over the next few innings to grab the win over N-K, 12-1 in just five innings.

N-K was able to manage just two singles by Lorenzen and Caysen Chodur over the course of this five-inning contest while the Huskies responded with 12 singles of their own.

Senior starter Nolan Senne, through no fault of his own, failed to make it out of the opening inning but only gave up three earned runs over a span that lasted just 55 pitches.

N-K picked up its fifth win of the season last Friday night in Northwood when they scored runs in all but the first and seventh innings to defeat TIC East rival West Fork 11-4.

The Viking bats exploded for 14 hits in the game, including a season high five extra base hits. Collecting a hit for N-K were Bowen Behne (4-4), Lorenzen (1-3), Chodur (1-3), Grady Buenzow (1-3), Senne (2-3), Mills (1-3) and Michael Janssen (1-2).



Trailing 7-0 in the bottom of the first inning at Nashua-Plainfield last Wednesday, Vikings head coach Brian Fausnaugh tries to regroup his troops while making a pitching change.

On the hill, Buenzow was brilliant in picking up his second win of his varsity career, throwing 109 pitches over seven innings of work with seven Ks, two walks and just two earned runs allowed. Buenzow ended his spectacular outing with a 2.00 ERA and a 1.14 WHIP and is now 2-4 on the year.

The Vikings had a light schedule this week with games on only Monday at Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock and Friday at home versus Newman Catholic. The Knights hold a 12-2 advantage over N-K in the win column since the 2013 season.

TIC East Baseball Standings

| TIC East | | Overall | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Newman Catholic | 10-0 | 20-2 | |
| Nashua-Plainfield | 9-2 | 11-4 | |
| Saint Ansgar | 7-3 | 16-5 | |
| Osage | 7-4 | 9-7 | |
| North Butler | 5-6 | 7-7 | |
| Central Springs | 3-7 | 4-12 | |
| Northwood-Kensett | 3-9 | 5-12 | |
| West Fork | 2-7 | 3-10 | |
| Rockford | 2-9 | 2-13 | |



N-K right fielder Camden Trenhaile makes a fine play on a one-hopper in last Wednesday's 12-1 loss in Nashua.

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