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Briefs

Blood drive tomorrow

The Northwood Lions Club and the American Red Cross will hold a blood drive tomorrow, Thursday, July 13, from 1-5:30 p.m. at the Worth County Fairgrounds in the Community Center room.

The Northwood Lions Club encourages all to "walk-in" and donate a pint of blood.

"Save a life and remember a pint of blood is needed every two seconds."

WCHS meets on July 18

The Worth County Historical Society will meet on Tuesday, July 18, at the Hanlontown Community Center at 9:30 am.

Everyone is welcome to attend.



Northwood namesakes

The annual Fourth of July festivities included the naming of young people as Miss and Mr. Northwoods, and their younger counterparts. The ceremony was once again hosted by Northwood's favorite MC, Dewey Kruger, and organized by Northwood Chamber event organizer Teresa George-Zenz. Pictured are the winners of this year's contest. The 2023 royalty includes (seated, from left) Junior Miss Northwood Hallie Hanson, Little Miss Northwood Solara Navratil, Little Mr. Northwood Zander Duvall, Miss Northwood Haddie Hanson, (standing) Junior Mr. Northwood Kale Bode and Mr. Northwood Grady Buenzow.

Turkey Day weekend begins Friday



Grafton will hold a number of events and activities as a part of this weekend's annual Turkey Day festivities.

That begins this Friday, July 14, with a beer garden, which opens at 7 p.m.

A beer pong tournament will start at 7:30 p.m.

Live music begins at 9 p.m. when WIll Barnett and Co. perform.

Saturday morning, July 15, starts with a softball tournament, which starts at 9 a.m.

Also starting at 9 a.m. is registration for the car and tractor show.

The Turkey Day parade will start at 11 a.m.

Food service, with the namesake meal of smoked or grilled turkey sandwiches, baked beans, potato salad, chips, bars and drinks, will start after the parade, at 11:30 a.m.

There will be jigsaw puzzle races in the gym during the day, starting at 3:30 p.m.

A pedal pull starts at 5 p.m.

A beer garden with live music from Jesse Bless starts at 8 p.m.

Saturday's events will also include a raffle starting at noon and tours of the Grafton Depot all day.

Events start on Sunday, July 16, at noon when the beer garden opens. A a bloody Mary contest starts at noon in the beer garden.

A bean bag tournament starts at 1:30 p.m.

Pub Trivia is also planned in the beer garden, starting at 3 p.m. on Sunday.

Turkey Days organizers are looking for some volunteer assistance with the events. More information on events planned for this weekend can be found on the Grafton Turkey Day Facebook page.

Work begins on local county Hazard Mitigation Plan update

Representatives of local government in Worth County met recently to begin the process of updating plans for how they would utilize their community resources in response to a variety of emergency situations.

The information is contained in each government's Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). The document is used as a plan for how to respond to emergencies and disasters, and a list of the resources and community connections that are available in those situations.

Updated HMPs are also required by the federal government in order to qualify for emergency funding.

Besides making sure Worth County and its communities qualify for funding, the plan helps those in the county prepare for hazards that affect more than just one city, school or rural area; helps share costs and resources in preparing mitigation efforts; helps avoid duplicating efforts amongst those involved; and improves the coordination between the local governments.

Representatives of several Worth County cities, schools and the county itself took part in the recent meeting.

Each community is required to update their Hazard Mitigation Plan every five years to be eligible for funds.

The process of updating the plan includes building a team of representatives from the local governments in the plan, including school districts and cities, as well as the county as a whole. Other steps involve informing the public of the process and getting their input at various steps along the way; reviewing community capabilities; conducting risk assessments; developing mitigation strategies; and reviewing and adopting the plan.

Leading the discussion was Scott Field, from WSP USA, a firm that guides similar updating processes.

Goals set by the county's existing plan include minimizing the vulnerabilities of residents and facilities in the county, protecting critical infrastructure and assets, improving education and awareness of hazards in the county and strengthening communication among agencies and the public in regard to hazards.

Hazard mitigation plans include specific information on a variety of hazards, including how much warning people would have and how long the hazardous conditions would last; where they are most likely to occur; how often they've occurred in the past; how

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The Week's WEATHER

From National Weather Service data

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. July 4	90	64	
Wed. July 5	87	67	0.22
Thurs. July 6	78	53	
Fri. July 7	78	50	
Sat. July 8	69	51	
Sun. July 9	78	51	
Mon. July 10	81	55	

Northwood's parade features first woman in color guard

The annual Fourth of July festivities once again included a variety of favorite events and activities. This year's Independence Day also included a first for Northwood's events.

Each year the Fourth of July parade is led by local members of the armed services and veterans. And every year, four servicemen have been chosen or volunteered for the distinction.

This year, for the first time, a local servicewoman was amongst those leading the parade.

As the parade traveled through the city, the four members of the color guard included Jayla Varner, who recently completed basic training.

Varner is a PFC, part of the 194 Field Artillery Regiment out of Fort Dodge for the National Guard. She just got back from training in February.

Varner was honored to be one of those taking on the task of representing those that serve their country to lead the parade.

"I'd just like to say thanks for the opportunity," Varner said of the experience.



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likely they are to occur again; how strong they are likely to be in Worth County; and what kind of impact they could have to local communities.

Hazards in the plan include animal, plant, crop and human diseases; dam and levee failures; drought; earthquakes; expansive soils; extreme heat; flash floods; grass and wildland fires; hazardous materials incidents; infrastructure failure; landslides; radiological incidents; river flooding; severe winter storms; sinkholes; terrorism; severe thunderstorms; tornadoes and high winds; and transportation incidents.

At future discussions, those taking part will look at actions that were outlined in the current plan and whether they've been completed, as well as other actions that could be pursued.

In terms of public input, there will be several points at which comment is welcomed. A survey will soon be made available online. Worth County residents will be asked to fill out the survey to help provide information for the county's plan.

Before the plan is approved, a press release will be issued and drafts of the plan will be made available online and at public locations.

Each community involved will take a look at their own hazard mitigation planning and, over the next few months, the governments involved will revise the plan. Public review is set for November. After it is submitted for State and federal review, it is expected to be adopted by local governments in February 2024 and final approval is expected in March 2024.



Film screening set for Tuesday

The Northwood Theatre and Art Farm Iowa will host a free screening of a short film documentary entitled "Like We Don't Exist."

The film shares the story of the Karenni people and their ongoing civil war with the Burmese government.

The Karenni consist of 12 different subgroups that have lived in southeastern Burma for more than 1,300 years.

The Karenni have largely existed as hill tribe farmers, living off the land in an area between Thailand and Burma, roughly the size of Hawaii.

The area was largely inaccessible to the developing world until after Burma became independent of Great Britain following World War II. As the country gained its independence, it included the Karenni territory in its new borders, promising they would be given their independence again, but never delivering on that promise.

The resulting conflict has continued since, lasting for nearly 70 years, making it the longest ongoing civil war.

Villages and abundant natural resources of the area have been destroyed in the conflict.

The Karenni people have also fallen victim to systematic human rights abuses by the Burmese military.

Thousands of refugees have fled their homes to live in Thailand, Myanmar and as resettled immigrants in other countries.

Information on the conflict will be shared in the documentary "Like We Don't Exist," this Tuesday, July 18, at 7 p.m., shown for free at the Northwood Theatre.

Filmaker Cory Embring will be in attendance, along with Karenni artist Maw Reh.

Embring and Maw will also be at Art Farm Iowa. Embring will film Maw as he paints a mural, which is intended to be a part of a future documentary.

Preparing the pyrotechnics

Northwood's annual fireworks display is organized and prepared each year by a dedicated group of volunteers. The Fireworks Task Force is made up of members of the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company, along with other trained residents. For this year's fireworks display, the members of the task force shared their combined total of 120 volunteer hours to prepare and set off more than 250 fireworks on the Fifth of July (after potential weather delayed the show a day). Volunteers and their years of service on the Fireworks Task Force include Dan Block - 2 years; Stefan Grahn - 3 years; Brandon Kilbourn - 2 years, NVFC; Brandon Magritz - 3 years, NVFC, PGI certification; Justin Peterson - 6 years, NVFC; Brett Backhaus - 7 years, NVFC, PGI certification; Jake Loken - 8 years, NVFC, PGI certification; and Kenny Quam - all of the years, NVFC.



Educational connection continues past the classroom for Hansen

By JoAnn Lower

Imagine yourself at 10 years old moving to a foreign country where everything is strange and new – the way people look, the way they dress, the way they talk.

In 1994 little Katy Liu, her parents and sister immigrated to Ames, Iowa, from Taiwan. They had been in this country for only three months when Katy was enrolled in the fifth grade.

Teaching the fifth graders that year was a student teacher by the name of Elaine Mullenbach (now Elaine Hansen, N-K Title I reading teacher), who warmly welcomed Katy to her classroom.

"I sat by Katy whenever she needed me. She didn't raise her hand; her nervous smile told me she needed help. She didn't know English so I wanted to help her as much as I could."

"One day, to my delight, I received a letter from Katy's mother."

Dear Ms. Mullenbach, I most appreciate what you have done for our daughter Katy. This afternoon I realized how much she likes you (we Chinese seldom use the word love except to lovers). I write this letter to let you know how wonderful is the love and kindness you have shown our daughter.

"It was really difficult for Katy when I left."

Dear Ms. Mullenbach, You are a special teacher in my life. I know that you will go to another place because you are a student. I will miss you because I like you so much. Thank you for helping me in the classroom with my English and to learn cursive. Please don't forget me. Your little friend, Katy Liu

Ms. Hansen didn't forget the shy little girl, nor did Katy forget her beloved teacher. The two of them were pen pals, often exchanging letters. In 2009 an eloquently written letter appeared in the teacher's mailbox.

Dear Mrs. Hansen, I am writing you today because I will leave Iowa soon and, as I am counting my blessings, I'd like to say "Thank You" to a special person who helped me and touched my heart years ago – a student teacher who wrote down homework instructions for me and taught cursive writing to me, when I could barely communicate in English. I would like to express my most sincere thanks to you as well as update you briefly on what has happened to the little Taiwanese girl you made an impact on – me.

Elaine shares with us that Katy is now 40 years old and happily married. The once shy fifth grader has become a doctor with a practice of her own.

Fully understanding the expense of health care, she's found a different way of seeing patients without all the red tape. Instead of billing through insurance she treats people for just a few dollars a month, giving them what they need for less money.

When people tell Katy she could be making lots of money, she just smiles. "My form of practice gives each patient the time and effort they deserve for one flat fee. It's my reason for becoming a doctor."

Katy is grateful to all the people in her life who have helped along the way. Keeping relationships with her friends has always been a priority.

"I've never had anyone touch me the way Katy has," said Hansen. "She is the good in the world, spreading happiness wherever she goes. Skin color doesn't matter. Where you're from doesn't matter. We just need to be human to each other."

Elaine Hansen grew up in St. Ansgar and went to school at Iowa State. She started teaching at N-K in 2009; previously teaching in Oelwein from 1995-2009. Her husband Jym teaches industrial tech in Lyle, Minnesota. The couple has three children: Abby works at Iowa State, Alex plays football and goes to school at Morningside University. Cole, the youngest, will be a freshman at Iowa State in the fall.

"I'm so lucky to have landed in Northwood," Elaine smiles. "Positively affecting a child's life – what a great reason to be a teacher."





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Citizens recognized during Fourth festivities

Each year the Northwood Chamber and TUNE recognize people that have made their communities better with citizen awards.

The awards are announced on the Fourth of July, just before young people are crowned as Miss and Mr. Northwoods. Dewey Kruger once again played host and announced the winners, assisted by Chamber event organizer Teresa George-Zenz.

The committee that selects the Citizen of the year had a bit of challenge choosing just one person, so instead they chose two couples.

As Kruger read before announcing the winners, "Each couple is unique with the way they contribute to the community. Behind every great woman is a great man."

Following is the information shared during the announcement of the two couples chosen as Citizens of the Year:

"This year's first Citizen of the Year Award goes to two individuals who have given a substantial commitment of time, support and dedication to our community. They have provided numerous, high-impact services throughout their lifetime. Service is the lifeblood of any community, everything flows from it and is nourished by it, it is not just an industry, it is an attitude. The service they have consistently displayed in our community is unmatched, from donating to nearly every cause, volunteering hundreds of hours and providing free meals to essential workers on holidays.

"These two are always the first to assist someone in need and have always put others' needs before their own, even if that means deciding they are staying behind in a mandatory evacuation of the town to feed law enforcement and fire and rescue services! For decades they have influenced and improved our community in unmeasurable ways.

"Their work brings value to our lives by showing us they truly care about everyone in our community and the well-being of not only the individuals in our area, but our community as a whole. She has served 17 years on the city council and many years as a 4-H leader alongside her best friends. He served many years as a Boy Scout leader and earned the highest award of Eagle Scout. They were essential in making Northwood what it is today and are crucial to the town's continued success.

"In recognition and sincere appreciation of your dedication to Northwood and the surrounding areas, we would like to award Mark and Rhonda Taylor with this year's Citizen of the Year Award!"

"This year's second Citizen of the Year award goes to two individuals who have given a considerable commitment of time, support and dedication to our community.

"Their great generosity has had a profound and lasting impact on Northwood and the surrounding areas. Their willingness to share their time by volunteering with TUNE, the Northwood Theater, the Timbers and The Men's Club are only a few examples of how they have supported our town.

"Their willingness to give speaks volumes of their strengths and quality of their characters.

"We want to recognize your knowledgeable contribution and your dedication of 35 years in business to our community. While we know that you choose to volunteer selflessly and without expectation of being recognized or rewarded, today we wish to do just that.

"Congratulations to Mike and Wendy Weisert on the Citizen of the Year Award."



Teresa George-Zenz hands over the Citizen of the Year recognition to Mark and Rhonda Taylor.



George-Zenz with Citizens of the Year Wendy and Mike Weisert.



Members of the Northwood Park and Recreation Board, including (from left) Matt Tufte, Wade Flattum, Jesse Renteria, Heather Rheingans and Shana Brunsvold.

TUNE also selected a group for their Volunteer of the Year recognition.

Following is their announcement:

"This year TUNE is not recognizing one person for a community service award, but five well deserving individuals who have volunteered and spent countless hours planning, organizing, overseeing and coaching many of our youth programs and activities, including:

Little League T-Ball & Softball
YSF Football
Flag Football
K-3 Basketball
Soccer
Northern Light Volleyball.

"These individuals were also instrumental in building the outdoor batting cage, pickle ball court, sand volleyball, disc golf and horseshoe pits located in Swensrud Park.

"Thank you for your willingness to give your time and service to our community as it is greatly appreciated. Your efforts have not gone unnoticed.

Today we would like to thank and recognize the Northwood Park and Recreation Board as Volunteers of the Year: Shana Brunsvold, Wade Flattum, Jesse Renteria, Heather Rheingans and Matt Tufte."





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Triathlon set for Saturday, July 29

On Saturday, July 29, people will swim, bike and run through Northwood as they take part in the third "Bring in the Backup" Triathlon.

The event is held to support, or "back up" the community's first responders, with funds raised going to support several non-profit causes, as well as the Worth County Sheriff's Office and the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company.

The event includes a three stage race involving swimming for 150 meters, riding a bike for 10.4 miles and then running a 5K.

The triathlon begins at the Northwood swimming pool at 9 a.m. on July 29, followed by a bike ride outside of town and back before the run portion.

Those taking part can do so as individuals or as part of a 2-3 person relay. There are also options to take part in the aquabike (swim and bike ride) or a duathlon (a one mile run before the bike ride and 5K).

Registration for the event is currently underway.

Those interested may find more information by searching for Northwood Iowa Triathlon online.









National FCCLA in Denver

Last week, Macy and Bailey Thorson represented the Northwood-Kensett chapter of FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) at the National FCCLA Leadership Conference in Denver. Macy also represented the state of Iowa as a state officer. There were opportunities to learn and discuss a variety of topics while spending time with students from across the country. They also entered presentations for competitions at the Conference and both received silver medals. Macy's presentation focused on the N-K FCCLA chapter. Bailey's presentation focused on vaping.

Ausenhus graduates from Coe College

"Hannah Ausenhus who was among a group of truly exceptional graduates this past year at Coe College."

Ausenhus, of Hanlontown, was awarded a bachelor's degree in Business Administration.

"The graduating Kohawks demonstrated excellence in academics, athletics and the arts; were leaders in research and community service; and completed thousands of internship hours with local, national and international organizations. They leave Coe equipped with the resumes and determination to expand their leadership roles into their budding professional lives."

Coe College President David Hayes '93 lauded the class for its ability to overcome.

Ausenhus was among nearly 300 students who received degrees.

'Testify' exhibit at Freeborn County Historical Museum

Freeborn County Historical Museum, Library and Village in, partnership with the Albert Lea Public Library presents the "Testify: Americana Slavery Today" photo gallery exhibit at 1031 Bridge Avenue, Albert Lea, Minnesota from June 28 through July 28, Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

Former Minnesota Supreme Court Justice and NFL Hall of Famer Justice Alan Page and his family are again presenting their exhibit "TESTIFY: Americana from Slavery to Today." This impactful exhibit of the Diane and Alan Page Collection of African-American art and artifacts was originally presented at the Hennepin County Library in 2018. Following the overwhelmingly positive response from the public, the exhibit has returned in 2023 with a renewed call to action and a wider reach. It is now accessible to the public in Southeast Minnesota as a large-format, high resolution photo gallery. The family hopes the exhibit will help bridge divides, deepen dialogue and encourage action on justice. "The objects in the exhibit...juxtapose artifacts from our often-painful shared history with inspiring imagery and works of art that help us rise above it," the late Diane Sims Page said of the collection she started. She hoped that "by coming to grips with our past, we can come together in the future." Please join us to learn and reflect on the power we each have to act for causes of justice.

The Pages produced the traveling exhibit in collaboration with local artist and designer Kurt Mueller and with the support of SELCO, Great River Regional Library, the Friends of the Hennepin County Library, and The McKnight Foundation. For more information on Library Legacy funding, and a complete schedule of Legacy-funded events in the region, visit legacy.selco.info/.

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Saturday Entertainment
Heritage Depot Tours All Day
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9 a.m. ..... Softball Tourney
9 a.m. ..... Beer Garden Opens
9-10 a.m. ..... Car/Tractor Show Registration
9:45 a.m. ..... Fowling Tournament Starts
11 a.m. ..... Parade
11:30 a.m. ..... Food Service Opens Serving
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3:30 p.m. ..... Puzzle Race
5 p.m. ..... Kids Pedal Pull
8 p.m. ..... "Jesse Bless" Music

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★ **Rhonda Taylor** . . . Letting us use Signatures for the interviewing
★ **MCT Construction** . . . . . .For the trailer for the parade.
★ **Matt Thompson** . . . . . .For driving the kids in the parade.
★ **Worth County Fair Board** . . . .For the use of the Shelter House.
★ **Nora Shoults** . . . . . .Making awesome trophies!
★ **Judge** . . . . . Corinne Sils & Audrey Huff
★ **Brittany Low** . . . . . Making the sashes.
★ **Flower Forager - Mary Reyerson** . . . .For the beautiful flowers.
★ **Erbin Anderson and Jean VanVeldhuizen** For the convertibles.
★ **Fat Jills** . . . . . For the wonderful cupcakes.
★ **Dewey Kruger** . . . . . .For the awesome MCing!
★ **All the candidates** for Miss, Mr., Jr. Miss, Jr. Mr., Little Miss and Little Mr.
★ **Brittany Low** . . . . . For helping at the crowning.
★ **Ashley Thompson** . . . . . For helping at the parade.
★ **To Teresa George-Zenz** for organizing the event again - Great Job!
★ And to anyone else who may have been unintentionally omitted.

Thanks again everyone!

The Northwood Chamber of Commerce THANKS the following people and organizations for their help to make the "2023 Hometown 4th of July" a GREAT SUCCESS!!

★ To the Northwood Fireworks Task Force - Kenny Quam, Stefan Grahn, Brandon Kilborn, Brandon Magritz, Dan Block, Brett Backhaus, Justin Peterson and Jake Loken! Fantastic Job!
★ Northwood Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company also for doing a wonderful raffle!
★ To the Airport Commission - for allowing the fireworks show and the use of the airport for parking during the fireworks!
★ To the Ol' Crackers for getting donations for the fireworks!
★ To all the donations through cash or cans to get the fireworks!
★ To the City of Northwood, to help pay for all of the FREE entertainment and activities during the weekend.
★ To Randy Buehrer for getting Rhino and Not Quite Brothers, in the family friendly beverage garden that kept everyone rock 'n' rolln' and for setting up and taking down and cleaning the stage for the bands! Greatly Appreciated!
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★ To the Worth County Sheriff Department for the traffic control during the parade and support at the beverage garden.
★ To Gloria George for driving the mayor in the parade.
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★ NKCEF - Annual golf tournament - Awesome turnout.
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★ To our Grand Marshal: Al & Ivan Fredricks & Dan Hendrikson!
★ To the VFW Color Guard - We couldn't have a parade without you!
★ To the VFW volunteers who put up the American flags on the Courthouse lawn. It takes a lot of time and effort and looks beautiful!
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★ To State Line Cornhole for the bag tournaments.
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★ To all who watched the parade on Facebook, I'm glad we have that option!
★ And to ANYONE else who was unintentionally omitted.

Thank you all so much. We couldn't have done it without you.

Northwood Chamber 4th of July Committee







Insect inspection

On Tuesday, June 27, the ISU Insect Zoo paid a visit to the Northwood Public Library. During the visit, they shared a story before introducing a number of insects and other arthropods, or animals with exoskeletons. That included varieties of spiders, scorpions, millipedes, mantises, walking sticks, horned beetles and more. There were even some opportunities for those visiting the zoo to get hands on with some of the larger creatures, including tarantulas and scorpions, or less intimidating examples, like cockroaches, roly poly beetles and others.











Young naturaists continue

Worth County Conservation's Young Naturalist Camp continued last week. The students there to learn more about nature and activities added more to their outdoor expereiences. That included campfire cooking, canoeing, GPS navigation and map making, throwing spears, building shelters studying the waters and more.

Bolan

Loren Nydegger of Mt. Vernon, Iowa, visited a few days last week at the Joe Nydegger home to help Lori with preparation for Linda's 80th birthday party which was held at the Bolan Schoolhouse and Cultural Center on Friday evening, July 7. It was a fun celebration with for those who came to enjoy wonderful food, juke box music, visiting with family, friends and neighbors. Lori had her schedule on when certain group pictures were taken and then Kelsie working with her drone had a whole group's picture taken. There was a program reflecting on Linda's life, others taking their turns telling their own stories (!) regarding the birthday lady. Plus, sharing in the "huge, shocking surprise" for the birthday lady - Elvis entered the building!! He gave an awesome performance of Elvis songs, with his wife helping with the music. There was even a bit of dancing! Then Elvis "left the building!" A really fun evening!

Family able to come for Linda's birthday celebration were Scott and Lori Willert, of course; Kelsie from Des Moines and Cole from Reinbeck; Larry and Michele Nydegger and Evelyn from Ellendale; Daniel from Denison; Loren and Renee Nydegger and Anna, Ben and Clare of Mt. Vernon; Dale and Sandy Koppen of Spirit Lake; Derek Koppen and Jacob (who celebrates his birthday with Linda – being 24 this year) of Lakota; Jeron Koppen of Wellman, Iowa; Ross and Jessie Koppen and Carter and Camden of Buffalo Center; Jerry and Kathy Nydegger and Michelle of Brainerd, Minnesota; Kelvin and Tami Koppen of Lakota and Jim and Joyce Steenhard of Ledyard.

Bicycling friends, Bruce and Linda Haugen of Le Claire, Iowa, were overnight guests of Joe and Linda, as was Daniel Nydegger on Friday evening.

Church

Northwood Anchor

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

Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly
Wednesday, Riverside Bible Camp at Grace, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., BLC Altar Guild, 1 p.m., Grace Circle, 2 p.m.; Thursday, Riverside Bible Camp at Grace, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Saturday, Campbell/Nettleton Wedding at Adel; Sunday, Grace Worship, 9 a.m., Bethlehem Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Monday, Riverside Bible Camp at Grace, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Tuesday, Riverside Bible Camp at Grace, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Manly Care Center, 10 a.m., Bethlehem Altar Guild, 1 p.m., Grace Council
Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Bethany Lutheran Church/ Elk Creek Lutheran
Thursday, MANNA Open, 4:30-6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Joint Worship - Elk Creek, 9 a.m.; Monday, Bethany Council, 9:30 a.m., MANNA Open 10 a.m. - Noon
Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan
Sunday, Worship Services, 9:10 a.m., Coffee Fellowship, 10 a.m.
Pastor Cory Allard

Bethel United Methodist Church
Wednesday, Diner, 8:30 a.m., Sunday, Bethel Worship Service, 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m., Trinity Worship, 9:10 a.m.

Northwood United Methodist Church
Sunday, Worship Service, 10:45 a.m., Fellowship, 11:45 a.m.; Tuesday, Swallow Coffee House, 10 a.m.
Rev. Rob Lanphere

One In Christ Lutheran Parish
Sunday, Worship Services 10:30 a.m. available online at "One in Christ Lutheran Parish" Facebook Page and YouTube under "One in Christ Lutheran Parish." Sunday Worship Services, 8 a.m., Silver Lake, 705 Silver Lake Rd., Northwood, 641-293-5556; 9 a.m., Bethany, 201 Franke St., Joice, 641-588-3366; 8 a.m., Lunder, 14982 735th Ave., Albert Lea; 10:30 a.m., Winnebago, 40029 210th Ave., Lake Mills; 9:30 a.m. Immanuel, 105 E. 3rd St., Scarville, 641-568-3666.

First Lutheran Church, Northwood
Wednesday, SH Youth, 7 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Group, 9 a.m., Taekwondo, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Service with H.C., 9 a.m., Council Meeting, 10:10 a.m., JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, AA-Al-Anon, 7 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Church, Northwood
Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion at 9 a.m., Adult Bible Study and Children's Sunday School following service. No Sunday School for June, July & August.
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Sacred Heart Church, Manly
Mass Wednesday, 8 a.m.; Mass Saturday, 5:30 p.m.
Rev. Neil Manternach, Pastor
Fr. Jake Dunne, Associate Pastor
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Keep On Learning



There is something inherently pleasant in learning new things. Even if we aren't likely to ever use that piece of trivia, it's still interesting. Indeed, our brains seem to be designed to learn new things. With a hundred billion brain cells, and about fifteen thousand connections (or synapses) per brain cell, we have, on average, about 1.5 quadrillion connections in our brain. In infants, there is a rapid increase in synapses until roughly the age of four, when children actually have more connections than adults. This is no doubt why children are such fast learners. The bad news is that the unused connections in our brains get pruned away after age 20, reaching the adult numbers around the age of 16. The good news is that even well into our eighties and nineties we can continue to learn and make new connections. We're not going to learn a second language as fast as a 3-year old, but we can still learn. Michelangelo is said to have remarked when he was 87 that he was still learning. There's no reason to ever stop learning, and a hundred billion reasons to keep learning, to keep those neurons firing.

By wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches.
– R.S.V. Proverbs 24:3-4

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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've always found it interesting that those who live in the warmest climates enjoy the spiciest food. Not necessary fiery as in ghost peppers but spicy with a variety of tastes, layers of flavors and complex combinations. "Louisiana Creole & Cajun" by Margaret Maring (1985, The American Cooking Guild, Gaithersburg, Maryland) is filled with examples of such cuisine. New Orleans can get really warm in the summer months but recipes there don't change with the seasons, the exception being the long cool beverages to wash down each mouthful.

New Orleans Spinach Crabmeat Casserole

6 tablespoons real unsalted butter
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup chopped yellow onion
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
1/4 cup chopped green onions
1 teaspoon Worcestershire
2 packages (10 oz. each) frozen spinach
1 teaspoon hot sauce
1 pint real sour cream, not low fat
1 pound crabmeat
1/2 cup freshly grated Parmesan
1/2 pound medium shrimp
1 can (14 oz.) artichoke hearts, drained (not the marinated type)

Thaw the spinach and drain it well. Put into a clean dish towels to squeeze out most of the moisture. Gently simmer the shrimp until they are just pink; don't overcook them or they will be touch. Drain and cool. Crab meat is very expensive so feel free to substitute faux krab which is easily found in the grocery store. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. In a heavy skillet, over medium heat, melt the butter. Add both types of onions and sauté until soft but not brown. NOTE: use both white and green parts of the green onions. Add the spinach, sour cream and Parmesan cheese. Reduce the heat and simmer until heated throughout. Add the artichoke hearts, salt and pepper, hot sauce and Worcester. Mix slowly to combine and simmer 2-3 minutes. Gently fold in the crabmeat and shrimp. Pour this into a buttered 2-quart casserole dish. Bake for 20-30 minutes. Serve hot with crusty French bread. Serves 6.

Shrimp Etouffee

1 cup finely chopped yellow onion
1 can tomatoes with peppers
1 cup finely chopped celery
1 teaspoon black pepper
1/2 finely chopped green onion
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
4 tablespoons chopped shallots
1 tablespoon Worcestershire
2 large cloves garlic, mashed
2 pounds medium shrimp
1/2 cup real butter, salted
Kosher salt to taste
2 cups chicken stock
2 tablespoons flour
Cornstarch for thickening, if necessary

NOTE: if the shrimp are frozen, thaw and rinse well. Pat dry with paper towels. Peel if they are still in their shells; devein as well.

In a heavy Dutch oven, over medium heat, sauté the onion, celery, green onions, shallots and garlic in the butter. NOTE: use both white and green parts of the green onions. Cook until the vegetables are soft but not brown. Stir in the flour and cook until light brown, stirring constantly. Gradually add the chicken stock, stirring constantly to avoid lumps. A wooden spoon is best here. Add the tomatoes and simmer for 10 minutes. Add the salt, pepper, cayenne and Worcestershire sauce. Adjust for seasonings. Add the shrimp and cook over low heat for 15 minutes; don't over the cook the shrimp. Serve over the cooked rice. You can adjust the heat of this dish by using more or less cayenne.

Bayou Corn Soup with Shrimp

1/4 cup olive oil
1 1/2 cups fresh corn
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
2 quarts water
1 cup chopped yellow onion
1/2 teaspoon hot sauce
3 tablespoons chopped green pepper
3 tablespoons chopped parsley
3 pieces bacon, fried and chopped
2 large fresh tomatoes, chopped
1 pound medium shrimp, peeled and deveined

NOTE: When you chop the tomatoes, try to save the delicious juice that comes out; chopping into a bowl helps.

In a large heavy pot, heat the oil and add the flour. This will make a roux which requires constant stirring or whisking until the flour begins to brown. Cook until the flour is light brown. Add the onions and green pepper. Cook for a few minutes until the vegetables are soft but not brown. Add the bacon, tomatoes and corn. Cover and cook about 15 minutes over low heat. Add the water, hot sauce plus salt and pepper to taste. Simmer another 40 minutes, covered. Add the shrimp and cook slowly over low heat for 10 minutes. Sprinkle with the chopped parsley and cook another 5 minutes. Serves 6. This is another recipe where you can adjust the heat by using more or less hot sauce.

The hot sauce used in Creole or Cajun cooking is what is usually referred to as Louisiana Hot Sauce. It's vinegar based and spicy but not with the intense heat of some of the Mexican sauces. Franks Red Hot Sauce ® is a good brand as is Tabasco®. There are store brands as well. Enjoy the spiciness that is the essence of this style of cuisine. And…that's all she wrote.

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Fourth of July parade Veterans

Veterans riding in the Fourth of July parade this year were (from left) Gary Christianson, Navy '58-'62; Marvin Everhart, Army, '62-70 and National Guard '74-87; Ernie Enderson, Army '52-54; Roger Erdman, Army '53-56; Alla Thompson, Air Force '62-66; and Deanna Luedtke, Army '83-05.

ACT announces season lineup for 2023-24

ACT will open its 58th season with "Steel Magnolias," a drama with dashes of humor written by Robert Harling and directed by Kris Bartley, which will be performed on October 5–14.

The play takes place in a beauty salon in Louisiana, where all the ladies come to have their hair done. Filled with hilarious repartee, the play moves toward tragedy when the spunky Shelby, who is diabetic, risks pregnancy and forfeits her life. The sudden realization of their mortality affects the other women, but also draws on their underlying strength and love.

The second show is a classic holiday tale with "A Christmas Carol," written by Charles Dickens. Directed by Glen Parsons, this play will run from December 7–16. It follows a night with Ebenezer Scrooge as he is haunted by the ghost of his late partner, Jacob Marley, and the spirits of Christmas Past, Present and Yet to Come.

"The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)" is the third play of the season. It's a comedy written by Adam Long, Daniel Singer and Jess Winfield, and directed by Brian Mattson. It will be performed on March 14–23, 2024. All 37 plays in 97 minutes! Three madcap folks in tights weave their wicked way through all of Shakespeare's comedies, histories and tragedies in one wild ride that will leave you breathless and helpless with laughter.

For its final production of the 58th season, ACT will present "Fiddler on the Roof" from June 20–30, 2024. Written by Joseph Stein with music by Jerry Bock and lyrics by Sheldon Harnick, ACT last performed this musical in 1978. Directed by Gordy Handeland, the story centers on Tevye, a poor milkman, and his five daughters. With the help of a colorful and tight-knit Jewish community, Tevye tries to protect his daughters and instill them with traditional values. The show features iconic and beloved songs such as "Tradition," If I Were a Rich Man," and "Matchmaker, Matchmaker."

Season tickets can be purchased at actonbroadway.com or by filling out a season ticket brochure form, available at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center box office or at the Albert Lea Convention and Visitors Bureau. The box office is open Thursdays from 3:30–5:30 p.m. A season ticket is $60 for all four shows – a savings of $10. Beginning on August 1, individual show tickets may be purchased online, at the box office, or by calling 877-730-3144, a toll-free, 24/7 automated service.

July Northwood Public Library news

By Emily Tufte
Library Director

What a great summer we've been having at the library! We are in the middle of our Summer Reading Program and having a blast! We have Friday morning storytime on Friday July 7, 14 and I've added one for the 28. Activity Tuesday for our older kids will be on Tuesday, July 11 with Teresa from Farm Bureau (we'll be making ice cream!) and Tuesday the 18th with Carolyn Reeder learning about dot journaling. You can also find more information about the Summer Reading Program by finding our group on Facebook, here is the link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/278686796498248.

Please note: we have had a change to our Summer Reading Program schedule, our Pool Party will be on Friday the 14th now, from 7:15-9:15 p.m. at the Northwood Pool. Anyone who has participated in the activities or story time and especially doing your summer reading logs is invited to attend, along with their families! So get those minutes read and bring them in for your prizes!

I want to give a really big thank you to so many people for giving donations to the library in memorial of Vada Myli. She was such a wonderful woman, teacher, and she loved to read. Thank you all so very much!

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

New at the library this month:

Adult Fiction books: "After Death" by Dean Koontz, "The Collector" by Daniel Silva, "The Housemaid's Secret" by Freida McFadden, "Obsessed" by James Patterson, "Whisper at Dusk" by Heather Graham, and many more.

Large Print Fiction: "Summer Skies" by Jenny Colgan, "Must Love Flowers" by Debbie Macomber, "Palazzo" by Danielle Steel, "Finding Us" by Tracie Peterson, "The First Ladies" by Marie Benedict, and "Circle of Death" by James Patterson, plus more.

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

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

THANK YOU



To the Northwood Chamber for the gorgeous tiaras & monetary awards. Thank you to the Flower Forager for the beautiful flowers, Fringe & Lace by Brittany for the pretty sashes & Nora's Shoults for the awesome etched glass plaques. Thank you to Teresa, Brittany, the judges & Dewey. We appreciate everything.

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~ Haddie & Hallie Hanson ~*

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Opinion

Savvy Senior

Tips and tools for coping with vision loss

Dear Savvy Senior,

Can you recommend some good resources for seniors with vision loss? My husband was recently diagnosed with macular degeneration, which has deteriorated his central vision, and he's become very discouraged.

Worried Wife

Dear Worried,

I'm very sorry to hear about your husband's eye condition. Unfortunately, there are about 20 million Americans living with macular degeneration today. Over time, this progressive disease can rob people of their central vision, making everyday tasks like driving a car, reading a magazine or watching television extremely challenging. Here are some tips and resources that can help.

Low Vision Help

If your husband hasn't already done so, he needs to see a low-vision specialist for a comprehensive examination. Low-vision specialists are ophthalmologist or optometrist with additional credentials or specialization in low vision testing, diagnosis, and treatment.

A low vision exam, which is much different from a typical eye exam, will explore how your husband's eye condition is affecting his day-to-day life, how he's adapting emotionally and prescribe solutions to help him regain as much day-to-day functioning as possible.

Your next step is to get your husband to a nearby vision rehabilitation service. These services, which are run by state or nonprofit organizations, or private eye care clinics, help people with all types of uncorrectable vision impairments. Most state and nonprofit services are free or low-cost, while private clinics typically charge a fee or may accept Medicare.

While vision rehabilitation does not restore lost sight, it does help people maximize their existing sight, or, if they have no vision, it can equip them with techniques and tools to help them maintain an independent lifestyle.

Services include counseling, along with training on how to perform daily living tasks with low vision, and how to use visual and adaptive devices and assistive technologies that can help improve quality of life.

They also offer guidance for adapting your home that will make it safer and easier for your husband to maneuver and can help him locate low-vision support groups. Some agencies will even send their specialist out to work with him in the comfort of your own home.

To find a vision rehabilitation service near you ask your husband's eye doctor for a referral, or you can locate services yourself by calling the American Printing House (APH) Connect Center at 800-232-5463.

Online Tools

Another convenient place to get help for your husband is online at VisionAware (VisionAware.org). This free website that's part of the APH Connect Center is specifically designed for older adults new to vision loss.

It provides information on eye diseases and disorders, along with dozens of practical tips, information and instructional videos on living with vision loss. These include concepts for adapting your home to make it easier to navigate, techniques for traveling safely outside the home, and various tips on how to manage things like finances, medications, and other tasks such as cooking, cleaning, grooming, reading, writing, doing hobbies and more.

VisionAware also provides a comprehensive list of more than 2,000 low vision agencies and organizations across the country that's searchable by state or category.

Another terrific low vision resource that's available to your husband is Hadley (Hadley.edu), which is a nonprofit organization and partner of the National Eye Institute and the National Eye Health Education Program.

Hadley offers online discussion groups, audio podcasts and dozens of free online workshop videos to help empower the blind and visually impaired. With Hadley, your husband will learn new ways to do things that have become more difficult due to his vision loss and connect him with a network of peers who understand what he's going through.

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 dog can find anything I ask it to.

What kind of dog is it?

It's a LabraGoogle.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Deep thoughts occur as I drive past his drive. The sun was shining as I put soil in with a plant growing in a container. It wasn't dirt. Dirt is what you track into the house. I wasn't planting corn, but work took me to Cornville. Where's Cornville? You're guessing Iowa. Maybe Illinois or Minnesota. No, Cornville is in Arizona. You won't find much corn growing in Cornville. You'll find grapes. The story is that the name requested was "Coaneville" in honor of a pioneer family and the USPS misspelled the name as "Cornville."

It wasn't from the USPS, UPS or FedEx. It was delivered by a smaller carrier—one that issued no notices of delivery because it enjoys surprising you when you get something delivered. It was a book from a friend along with a note asking this question, "If you had a week to live, where would you spend it?" A stipulation was added that eliminated home and family from the answer. As a boy, I'd stood in a field, watching geese fly over in the spring and again in the fall. Those geese were doing something I wanted to do. Fly. Not by flapping my wings or as a pilot, but as a passenger. I didn't know any kids whose goal of becoming a passenger. My parents had never set foot in a plane, let alone travel in one. I emailed my friend and said I'd spend a couple of days in Haines, Alaska, because it's lovely and got an email in return asking what I'd do with the rest of the week. I'd spend it getting to Haines.

I've learned

Casts should be labeled, "Not a piñata."

A typical person, statistically speaking, has nearly 200 third cousins, 950 fourth cousins and 4,700 fifth cousins. That means that one of the two impatient drivers of white pickups who used his entire speedometer and passed me on the right in an intersection as I waited for a vehicle two cars ahead of me to turn could be my fifth cousin. If so, all two-lane highways should become non-passing zones because of my cousins.

Bad joke department

He said he'd run into a grizzly on the trail in June and the bear had taken an instant dislike to him. You're not supposed to run, but he ran. The bear chased him down the trail, through the forests, over a hill, across the meadow and up and over more mountains than he could count. Finally, he came to a river. He ran over the ice, but the bear broke through, giving the man enough time to escape. I stopped him there and asked how there could be ice on the river in June. He told me the bear had chased him so long that by the time they came to the river, it was January.

A man lay in bed looking up at the night sky—Milky Way, constellations and moon. He wondered, "What happened to the roof?"

The man took his wife to the doctor to see why she was mumbling. Then he went to see another doctor about his hearing loss.

Scientists placed a 10-piece set of matching Tupperware in a sealed chamber. When they opened it a week later, the chamber had 17 lids, none of which fit the remaining container.

When I eat too many chickpeas, I falafel.

I walk 10 Miles each day. 10 Miles is the name of my dog.

Nature notes

Baby robins jump from their nest when they're about 13 days old. Leaving the nest is called fledging. They can't fly well when they leave the nest and don't become capable fliers until 10-15 days after fledging. Both parents feed the fledglings for a few days until the mother lays a new clutch of eggs. The fledglings learn from other robins. Leaving the nest early can be advantageous for a young robin, as a nest attracts predators and parasites. After fledging, the young birds are scattered, enhancing their chances of survival.

American white pelicans have 9-foot wingspans. The average wingspan of a bald eagle ranges from 6 to 7 1/2 feet. A trumpeter swan can have an 8-foot wingspan.

Seven states have the cardinal as their state bird—Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, North Carolina, West Virginia and Virginia. A redbird could fly to all seven states without needing to venture into an eighth state.

Meeting adjourned

Humankind. Be both.

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Letters to the Editor

Bible Reading Marathon 2023

Worth County residents have completed the reading of the entire Bible aloud on the courthouse lawn for the eighth year in a row! What a blessing!

Governor Kim Reynolds proclaimed that the Bible be read on all 99 county courthouse lawns.

The first proclamation was made by Governor Branstad in 2016.

I pray that the second part of the proclamation be fulfilled, that individuals and families in Iowa read through the Bible on a daily basis each year until the Lord returns.

This was made possible by all those who read a book or more and/or prayed for this event. I appreciate your willingness and excitement to participate.

I received many positive comments from readers who felt privileged and empowered to proclaim God's word aloud in a public setting.

I want to share appreciation to Kris for reprinting a reminder every week in the Anchor before the marathon and for the photo.

May God bless the readers and all citizens of Worth County, our state of Iowa and our country, the United States of America.

God's blessings,

Sharyl Ferley

To Northwood and the Northwood-Kensett school system,

At the end of June, I'm closing the door on a career in education that has covered the last 40 years of my life. Twenty of those years were spent as a teacher and the other 20 of those years were spent as an elementary principal. As I've moved through all of those years, two constants always existed and I took great pride in them. They were that I grew up in Northwood and that I got my education within the Northwood Kensett Community School District.

As a teacher and principal, I've carried a lot of my Northwood experiences with me. For example, I learned a lesson about discipline from Mr. Bogess, learned the importance of making learning fun from Mr. Bestul, and learned the impact of seeing the potential in someone from Mr. Midtgaard. Honestly, the list of things I learned from my past teachers could go on and on. So with all respect, I would like to send out a heartfelt, THANK YOU to all the educators who helped mold me into the educator that I became at the close of my career. Your efforts and your lessons weren't in vain and helped shape me into what I am today, a proud retired teacher/principal whose roots go all the way back to my years spent in Northwood and the Northwood Kensett School System.

Mark Schlatter

Proud graduate of the class of 1979.

Northwood Anchor

Early Files

100 years ago

July 11, 1923

W.H. Pixley, living north of town, was quite seriously injured when he fell 14 feet from a plank running across the top of the haymow to the hard road below. Mr. Pixley struck on his feet, splitting the large bone in his right leg and driving the bones of his foot up into the opening. He is in Albert Lea hospital.

Col. and Mrs. H.A. White, son Dan and daughter Mary arrived from West Point, where the Colonel is one of the instructors in the military college. They drove through in the car and will spend several weeks with Mrs. White's mother, Mrs. M.E. Beckett, and with other relatives and many old-time friends.

A demonstration of an electro refrigerator at the Carey Electric Shop and drew an interested crowd. The machine is the Kelvinator which with the use of ice performs the functions of a refrigerator and cools perfectly in addition to manufacturing ice in small quantities for other uses.

Darkness has settled over the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. J.O.E. Johnson in this city, and the spirit of little Suzanne, the baby of the family has crossed the dark river to live with the Great Master. Struck down by an automobile the little girl lived until between nine and 10 that night.

If the reports that are already in are any indication of the desire to rid Worth County of bovine tuberculosis it will be only a matter of a real eradication plan. The two townships that have turned in complete reports are Lincoln with 92 signatures on the petitions and Fertile with 64.

Hay harvest, which started last week, is going on rapidly and in some parts of the county is practically completed. The crop is somewhat light this season, owing to the lack of rain. The last few days have been very hard on men and teams on account of the heat.

75 years ago

July 8, 1948

Reaching a high point at approximately 99 degrees, the government thermometer in Northwood recorded the highest temperature in eight years.

At a meeting of the Republican committeemen and committeewomen held at the courthouse, Richard H. Johnson of Northwood was elected county Republican chairman.

Richard Charles, the 10-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abbey of Mason City, is the city's first polio case of 1948. He has taken ill and was taken to Mercy Hospital, where his illness was pronounced the bulbar type of poliomyelitis. Charles is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Abbey of Northwood, and formerly lived here.

Reflecting an increase in local business volume, Postmaster H.C. Johnson reports the postal receipts at the Northwood office to be $14,044.89 for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1948. This is an increase of $922.58 over the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1947.

A special meeting of stockholders of the Farmers Elevator Co. of Northwood will be held on July 30. The purpose of this meeting is to consider and adopt new articles of incorporation, and make application for a new charter, it is explained by R.T. Nelson, manager of the business.

W.E. Connors of Manly was again named chairman of the Worth County Democratic central committee at the county convention held in Northwood.

Mark L. Young, 64, lifelong resident of Worth and Freeborn counties, died at his farm home one mile northwest of Gordonsville after an illness.

Cars driven by Raymond Stromley and Clayton Hanson, both of Northwood, collided at the entrance to the Tonga brothers farm southwest of Northwood. It is reported that weeds and underbrush that have been allowed to grow at the point obscured the view of both drivers.

50 years ago

July 12, 1973

Terry Arendts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Arendts, Kensett, and a junior at Northwood-Kensett school, was named to the Iowa All State Girls Track Team. Four students were named to each position and Terry won hers in the 220 yard dash. The selected was based on NCAA rules.

Building permits were issued during the second quarter of 1973 for a $215,000 annex to the Northwood Co-op Elevator, and for an apartment complex, Viking Manor. The permit for Viking Manor was for $81,000. These two projects sent the value of Northwood buildings to a new record for the first half of the year.

The Northwood-Kensett girls downed St. Ansgar in softball, winning the B game 13-5 and the varsity game 19-6 in 6 innings. Nancy Hagen pitched the B game and she and Margaret Johnson each had three hits. Julie Berge was on the mound for the varsity game and she and Terry Arendts had three hits, while Wendy Hogen, Stephanie Ihnen, Julie Hagen and Sue Berge each had two hits.

LeRoy Leidal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Leidal, Northwood, has accepted a position as insurance representative for La Porte City Insurance Agency, according to an announcement early this week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Coonrad, Northwood, and Don Barta, Manly, announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna Barta, Manly, to A. Erick Hanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Florence, Thompson, and Arthur Hanson, Orange City, Iowa. The future bride is a 1971 graduate of North Central High School, Manly, and is employed at Land O'Lakes, Albert Lea. Her fiancé is a graduate of Thompson High School.

Hans Langseth of the Northwood-Kensett area owned one of the longest beards ever recorded, all 38 feet of it.

25 years ago

July 15, 1998

North 11th Street resident Diane Johnson made real quick with a five dollar bill the other day when Northwood Jaycees Randy Friedrich and Jody Olson tried to plant a pair of pink pigs in her front yard as part of the American Cancer Society's "Relay for Life" fundraiser here. For an identical sum, Friedrich, Olson and their fellow Jaycees will plant one of their pink pigs in any yard on any street in any Northwood neighborhood between now and August 8.

Robin Nodtvedt, V.P., cashier of Northwoods State Bank, Northwood, graduated from the 1998 Iowa Bankers Association's Bank Leadership Institute. The graduation session was held in West Des Moines, Iowa, on June 12, 1998, at the University Park Holiday Inn.

Ann Johnson, member of the Worth County Historical Society, displays quilts which are some of the 50 quilts and wall hangings featured on July 19, at the Worth County Historical Society Museum. The Historical Society's buildings are open every Sunday from 2-4:30 p.m. and located at 917 Central Ave., Northwood.

Truman and Esta Hengesteg, Northwood, announce the engagement of their daughter, RaChael, to Kent Hanna, son of L.J. and Patricia Voldahl of Leland. RaChael is a 1995 graduate of Northwood-Kensett High School and is employed at Larson Manufacturing in Lake Mills. Ken is a 1988 graduate of Lake Mills High School and a 1990 graduate form the Brown Institute of Technology with an associates degree of applied science. He is employed at Larson Manufacturing in Lake Mills.

Northwood-Kensett third baseman Jolene Schutz and a St. Ansgar baserunner broke toward home plate simultaneously as N-K pitcher Shana Mathahs delivered the ball for an anticipated bunt tempt. Viking first baseman Jess Madson also moved into position to defend against the bunt.

10 years ago

July 10, 2013

Northwood's Fourth of July festivities once again included the naming of Mr. and Miss Northwood, as well as their "junior" and "little" counterparts. This year's winners include Miss Northwood Hannah Medlang, Mr. Northwood Cameron Batton, Little Miss Northwood Hailey Krambeer, Junior Miss Northwood Briar Buechele, Junior Mr. Northwood Brandon Kilbourn and Little Mr. Northwood Alex Tiedemann.

As the community of Northwood celebrated Independence Day, a number of groups, organizations and families also celebrated milestones with entries in this year's Fourth of July parade. That included the parade's grand marshals, those representing Worth County County Extension, which is celebrating 100 years as a community service organization this year.

Chandler Capitani has managed to keep her game on the upswing even as the team has struggled for wins. The talented junior batted .500, going 9-for-18 against come of the best pitchers in the CBC to raise her season aver to .407 (No. 2 on the team). She is No. 1 on the team with 37 hits and has the fewest K's on the year, striking out just twice in 91 at bats.

The Northwood United Methodist Church and Asbury United Methodist Church confirmed local members on June 30. Karissa Heath, Taylor Kramer, Pastor Wendi Gillan, Drae Love, Kole Parks, Nathan Wilder, Grace Skellenger and Gabe Irons.

Senior Cameron Batton delivers a pitch against Saint Ansgar. Batton had five strike outs and allowed just two base on balls in the 10-0 loss.

In recent years work has been underway on the wind turbines that dot the horizon in areas east of Northwood and Kensett. Large cranes and lifts have provided access to the blades as crews have traveled from tubing to turbine along the way.

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Obituaries

Brenda Stading

Brenda Lee (Mergens) Stading, passed away on April 13, 2023. She was born to Edward and Audrey Mergens on September 2, 1960, in Farmington, Minnesota. In 1965 Brenda's family moved to Inver Grove Heights where Brenda attended Simley High School. There she was an avid swimmer and was an integral part of the synchronized swim team. She also taught swimming lessons during the summer.

After high school Brenda attended the University of Wisconsin-Stout, where she obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Art Education on May 19, 1983. Brenda then found employment at the Northwood-Kensett School District in Northwood, Iowa, where she was a K-12 art teacher for over 20 years.

One evening, soon after moving to Iowa, Brenda was out for drinks with her coworkers at a bowling alley and was introduced to a young man, William "Bill" Stading. The rest is history!



BRENDA STADING

Bill and Brenda married on August 16, 1986.

Later in her career, Brenda also became the Director of Project Childcare in Manly, Iowa.

After over 20 years of teaching in Iowa, Brenda and Bill ventured up to the north woods and built a home in Hackensack, Minnesota. From there, Brenda pursued a career at the Leisure Hotels-Chase on the Lake in Walker, Minnesota, as an event coordinator. Brenda also worked for Cass County at BiCap where she supported housing and headstart communities.

Throughout Brenda's life she enjoyed gardening, painting, pottery, quilting, doing crafts and selling them at art and craft sales. Brenda was a creative soul. Her favorite food was Chinese, just like her Dad. While living in northern Minnesota Brenda pursued her love for the outdoors through fishing, camping and her favorite, kayaking on Stony Lake.

Brenda is survived by her loving husband, Bill Stading; children, Matthew (Amanda) Stading and Tyler Stading; grandchildren, Wyatt and Weston; mother, Audrey Mergens; siblings, Beth (Tom) Banttari, Brad (Brenda) Mergens, Ben (Denise) Mergens, Barb Weber, Bruce (LeeAnn) Mergens and Bonnie (Brad) Beaver; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Edward Mergens.

A memorial gathering will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, August 5, at Kensett City Park in Kensett, Iowa.

Wine Grape Field Day is on August 1 at the Horticulture Research Station

The Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition at Iowa State University will host the 2023 Wine Grape Field Day on Tuesday, Aug. 1, at the Iowa State University Horticulture Research Station near Ames.



The field day will run from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with the morning in the vineyard at the Horticulture Research Station and the afternoon in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition at Iowa State.

The morning will feature various research projects on grapevine management including trellis systems, shoot thinning combing, leaf pulling and evaluation of optimum harvest parameters.

After lunch offered at the Horticulture Research Station, the afternoon will include a visit to the Iowa State winery and will feature the first steps of winemaking, and ongoing wine research projects. The field day will end with a wine tasting of a current wine research project. This field day is offered to hobbyists and anyone interested to learn about grape growing and winemaking.

"This is a great opportunity for participants to meet and learn from others in the field," said Aude Watrelot, assistant professor and extension enology specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. "This is also a great opportunity to share ideas and be informed about what is happening in the specialty crop and grape industry in Iowa, as well as ongoing research projects."

The field day involves the participation of faculty, staff and extension specialists of the horticulture and food science and human nutrition departments, the Horticulture Research Station and the Midwest Grape and Wine Industry Institute.

The Iowa State Horticulture Research Station is located at 55519 170th St., Ames, Iowa, and the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition is located at 536 Farm House Lane, Ames.

A limit of 30 participants is set to keep the field day interactive and engaging. Lunch will be provided for free but registration is required. Register for the full day (9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.) or either the morning (with or without lunch, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or 1:30 p.m.) or the afternoon (2-4 p.m).

Registration is free but required at this link: iastate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8wsAa44FCMCOWzk.

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N-K senior Grady Buenzow delivers a pitch against the Green Devils in Osage. Buenzow ended his final year in an N-K uniform with a 2-5 record in eight starts this season. He worked a team high 35.2 innings with 40 Ks, 28 walks and an impressive 1.94 WHIP.



Viking Justin Mills makes contact last Saturday facing Riceville pitching in Saint Ansgar. Mills and N-K lost to the Wildcats 14-2 in the district tournament bringing the season record to 6-17 overall. Mills ended the year batting .172 with 10 RBIs.

Vikings lose final four games, including 14-2 district loss to Riceville

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Vikings' celebrated six-win season took a turn for the worse in the final week of the season with the team suffering four losses in the final six days of the year, falling to Central Springs, Saint Ansgar, Osage and Riceville in the district playoffs.

The Vikings were competitive in their game at Central Springs, tying the score at 3-3 after three complete innings of play before the Panthers pushed five more runs across the plate in the late innings and survived with the 8-3 win over Northwood-Kensett.

The Vikings were led by Jace Lindberg, who went 2-3 at the plate while on the bump the Top of Iowa Conference East loss went to sophomore Evan Lorenzen, who worked 4.2 innings with five Ks and just three walks allowed.

The loss to the Panthers puts the Vikings in a 4-18 deficit all-time to their Highway 65 rival.

N-K's next game would last only three innings after a 14-1 loss to Saint Ansgar, with the Saints scoring seven in the first, six in the second and finished it off with the game ending run in the bottom of the third for the TIC East victory.

Lorenzen picked up the team's lone hit of the game while senior Nolan Senne took the loss with three Ks and two walks allowed. Senne started two games this season and worked a total of 11.2 innings with 11 Ks, 10 walks and a 3.43 WHIP.

The Vikings, who are now 1-12 against Osage, fell to the Green Devils in the regular season finale, falling 12-2 in six innings of play.

The Vikings, trailing 2-0 for much of the game, evened the score at 2-2 in the top of the fourth when Lindberg punched a single through the infield that scored Lorenzen and Senne with the team's only runs.

But that close game fell apart in the bottom of the fifth when the Green Devils erupted for nine runs, which, after adding another in the sixth, completed the six inning, 12-2 win by 10-run rule.

After completing the regular season on Wednesday, the Vikings prepared for their Saturday matchup in Saint Ansgar in the opening round of the district playoffs, where they were set to face their old Corn Bowl Conference rival, the Wildcats of Riceville.

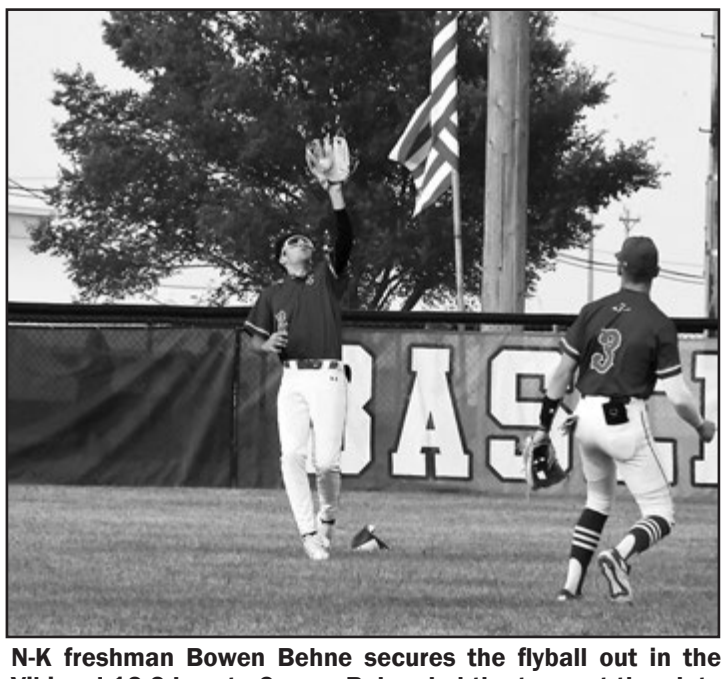
The Wildcats opened up an early 2-0 lead, but the Vikings fought back with a run in the bottom of the second, pulling to within 2-1 before watching Riceville score 12 runs over the next three innings to eventually win the district contest 14-2 in six innings.

With the season ending loss to Riceville the Vikings end the season at 6-17 overall and 3-13 in the TIC East.

This season's team leaders were at the plate, Bowen Behne and Lorenzen, who batted .327 and .333 respectively. On the hill it was Lorenzen leading the way with a 3-4 record in 34.2 innings pitched with 39 Ks, 18 walks and an impressive 1.50 WHIP, meaning he allowed less than two base runners per inning pitched.

Final TIC East Standings

	TIC East	Overall
Newman Catholic	16-0	31-4
Nashua-Plainfield	12-4	17-8
Saint Ansgar	12-4	25-7
Osage	11-5	15-11
North Butler	8-8	11-11
Central Springs	5-11	7-18
West Fork	4-12	5-17
N-K	3-13	6-17
Rockford	1-15	2-21



N-K freshman Bowen Behne secures the flyball out in the Vikings' 12-2 loss to Osage. Behne led the team at the plate this season with a team high .327 batting average to go along with 14 RBIs.



Lady Viking Lauren Heiken delivers a pitch to a Bishop-Garrigan batter in first-round regional action in Algona. Heiken took the season ending loss but is clearly the future of the N-K softball program. Heiken worked 89.2 innings this season with 70 Ks and a 16.08 ERA.



Alexandria Hanson-Brandsoy makes good contact against rival Central Springs in the last week of the season. Hanson-Brandsoy ended the year with a .205 batting average, two RBIs on nine hits and 10 walks.

Lady Vikings end season at 2-20 after falling in regional to B-G

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Northwood-Kensett softball team completed its season just before the Fourth of July holiday weekend when it fell to Bishop-Garrigan 16-1 in a regional first round game in Algona.

The final week of the season was not kind to the Lady Vikings, who this year snapped a previous 34 game losing streak, only to lose to Central Springs and Saint Ansgar in the last two games of the regular season by a combined score of 38-1 in just seven innings played between the two games.

N-K gave up 17 first inning runs to the Panthers, who have hovered at the No. 3 spot in class 2A most of the season and gave up another eight in the second in a 25-0 loss that lasted just 2 1/2 innings.

The Lady Vikings could manage just two hits against CS, both singles by junior shortstop Kelsi Liddle, while Lauren Heiken took the loss in the circle with an 84.00 ERA.

The next night the Lady Vikings hosted Saint Ansgar for what was senior night at N-K, celebrating its lone senior, Jasmine Renteria. Renteria ends her N-K career with 28 hits and 24 RBIs over her five seasons in an N-K uniform.

The Lady Vikings, led by Addy Tasker, who went 1-2 with the team's only RBI, evened the score at 1-1 after Tasker knocked in Alexandria Hanson-Brandsoy with the team's lone run in the bottom of the first before the Saints responded with 12 runs over the next three innings to secure the easy 13-1 Top of Iowa Conference East win.

After forfeiting their final regular season game of the year to Osage because of a lack of players, the Lady Vikings traveled to Algona to face Bishop-Garrigan in the opening round of the class 1A regionals.

In the top of the first Hanson-Brandsoy led off with a single and scored the go-ahead run when Renteria reached base, giving the Lady Vikings an early 1-0 advantage.

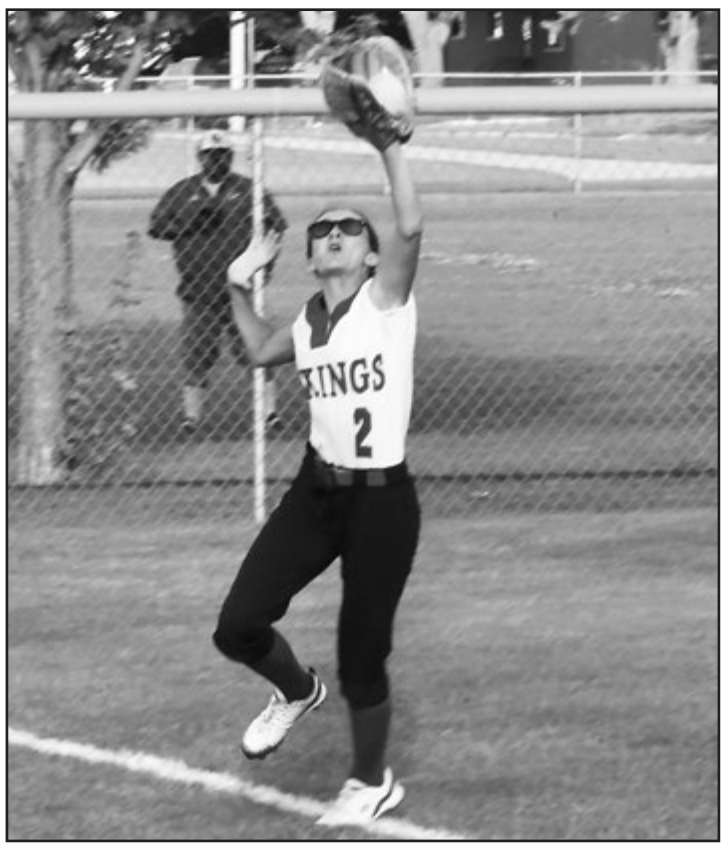
That lead didn't last long as the Golden Bears responded in the bottom of the first with three runs to take a slim 3-1 lead into the second inning of play, where unfortunately for the Lady Vikings, was a 13-run inning for B-G that secured the 16-1 regional win for the Golden Bears and sent the Lady Vikings back to Northwood with a season ending loss.

Heiken, who pitched nearly every inning for the Lady Vikings this season and ended the year at 2-18, suffered the season ending loss to B-G. Heiken, just an eighth grader, started 20 of 21 games this season, working 89.2 innings with 70 Ks, 69 walks and an ERA of 16.08.

With the regional loss to B-G the Lady Vikings end the season at 2-20 overall and 2-14 in the TIC East.

Final TIC East Standings

	TIC East	Overall
Central Springs	15-1	22-5
Newman Catholic	12-4	26-7
North Butler	11-5	15-8
Osage	10-6	25-8
West Fork	10-6	16-7
Saint Ansgar	8-8	21-11
Rockford	3-13	4-19
Northwood-Kensett	2-14	2-20
Nashua-Plainfield	1-15	2-26



After a couple of errors mis-playing balls in the outfield the Lady Vikings' Topanga Hackenmiller runs one down in foul territory against Bishop-Garrigan. Hackenmiller ended the season with a .705 field percentage with 13 errors in 44 total chances.

Free online course discusses risk management for agritourism, on-farm visitors

With fewer people growing up on farms, agritourism can be an excellent way for farm visitors to connect with where their food comes from and with Iowa's agricultural heritage. While inviting visitors to the farm is a valuable experience for both farmers and the public, some risks are associated with the practice.

A free, online course from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach's Farm, Food and Enterprise Development team is available to help those with on-farm visitors regarding risk management and liability concerns.

"Risk management is an important consideration on every farm, especially those who invite visitors on their property," explained Kendra Meyer, agriculture and natural resources extension specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach. "Mitigating risk on your farm ensures a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone."

The course contains seven different modules, each discussing a different aspect of risk management for farms with on-farm visitors. Each module contains a video, short activity and a brief quiz, and modules can be completed at your own pace.

Topics covered include:

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While inviting the public to a farm can be rewarding for both visitors and farmers alike, it is essential to be aware of risks and safety concerns, and to have a plan in place to mitigate these risks. To sign up for the free, online course, visit https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/15787.

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Lots of Carnival glass, 4 & 5 Gal. Red Wing crocks, blue granite, novelty advertising items, Griswold cast iron, Curtis Candy Co. truck, quilts, kerosene lamps, Vintage board games, mantle clock, Knutson Grocery bean pot, Quaker lace tablecloths, "Lone Wolf" pictures, fish tackle boxes, fishing lures/poles, cut glass, Lead crystal, lots of jewelry, embroidered linens - dishtowels - pillow cases, old dolls, old egg scales, Ruby over clear glass, Longaberger baskets, Fenton, toy tractors, old 45 & 78 records, Haeger, McCoy, child's telephone, wicker, German glass, 2 new George Foreman grills, new Coleman lantern, blue hurricane lamp, wool blankets, 1952 45 star flag, Xmas & Halloween items & much more!

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Phyllis Mortenson, Owner

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WORTH COUNTY REAL ESTATE PROPERTY FOR SALE BY ESTATE

THE FOLLOWING REAL ESTATE WITH PROPERTY THEREON IN WORTH COUNTY, IOWA, OWNED BY THE CLAUDE H. OLSON ESTATE, IS OFFERED FOR SALE, SAID REAL ESTATE IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

LOTS ONE (1) AND TWO (2), IN BLOCK TWO (2), OF THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF MELTONVILLE, WORTH COUNTY, IOWA.

LOCALLY KNOWN AS: 4728 MELTONVILLE ROAD, ST. ANSGAR, IA 50472.

Situated thereon is a 1,152 square foot mobile home on a 0.37 acre lot, containing 2 bedrooms and 1 bathroom. Exact legal descriptions to be determined by survey, if necessary.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Sealed bids to Seller, The Claude Olson Estate, and must arrive at the Douglas A. Krull Law Office, 714 Central Ave./P.O. Box 200, Northwood, Iowa 50459 by 4:00 p.m. on the 21st day of July, 2023. Bids must specify the price for the tract listed above. Qualified bidders will be allowed the opportunity to bid further, if they so desire at a private, closed auction to be held at the Krull Law Office commencing at 10:00 a.m. on the 22nd day of July, 2023, the time and date for opening bids.
2. To qualify, earnest money (down payment) payable to the Douglas A. Krull Attorney Trust Account and equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid price must accompany each bid.
3. The successful bidder will be required to pay 10% down of the accepted bid by check made payable to Douglas A. Krull Attorney Trust Account and enter a standard Iowa State Bar Assoc. Real Estate Contract providing for said down payment and the balance of the purchase price to be paid on the date of closing.
4. Any offers accepted will be subject to review and approval by the Iowa District Court.
5. Possession shall be given at completion of closing. This closing is anticipated within forty (40) days of the contract.
6. The entire remaining balance of the purchase price will be due at closing, at which time conveyance will be made by Court Officer Deed. An abstract of the title showing merchantable title under Iowa Land Title Examination Standards will be delivered to the Buyer before closing.
7. Real estate taxes will be prorated to the date of closing.
8. Seller reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

For further information or to inspect the premises prior to the date of sale, contact Douglas A. Krull, Attorney at Law, 714 Central Avenue, P.O. Box 200, Northwood, Iowa 50459-0200, or phone at (641) 324-1981.

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR Worth COUNTY
CASE NO. ESPR009367
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Joyce May Calgaard, Deceased

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Joyce May Calgaard, Deceased, who died on or about April 6, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on May 31, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Joyce May Calgaard, deceased, bearing date of January 10, 2002 , was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Gary L Calgaard and Renee A Swisher have been appointed Executors 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 date of 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 June 28, 2023.

Gary L Calgaard,
Executor of Estate
481 Northshore Dr., Unit 301
Clear Lake, IA 50428

Renee A Swisher,
Executor of Estate
1621 E. Harrison Street
Chandler, AZ 85225

Brian R. McPhail,
ICIS#: AT0005344
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Northwood's 4th of July Celebration























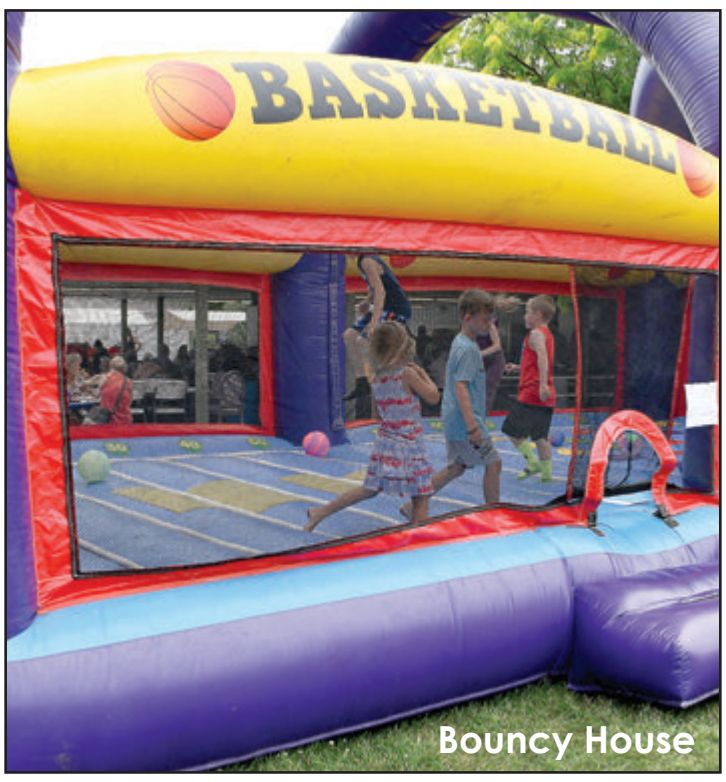






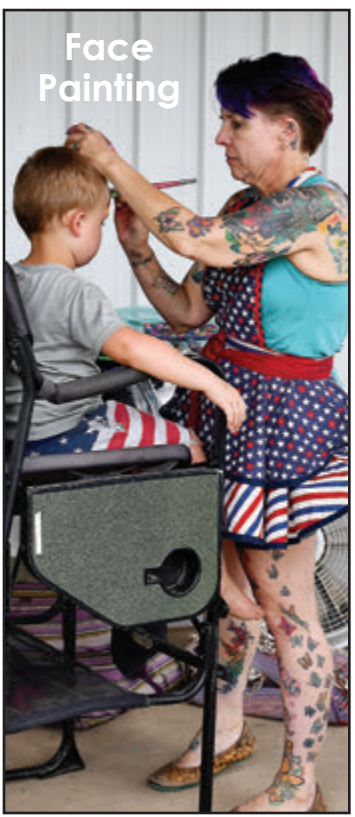


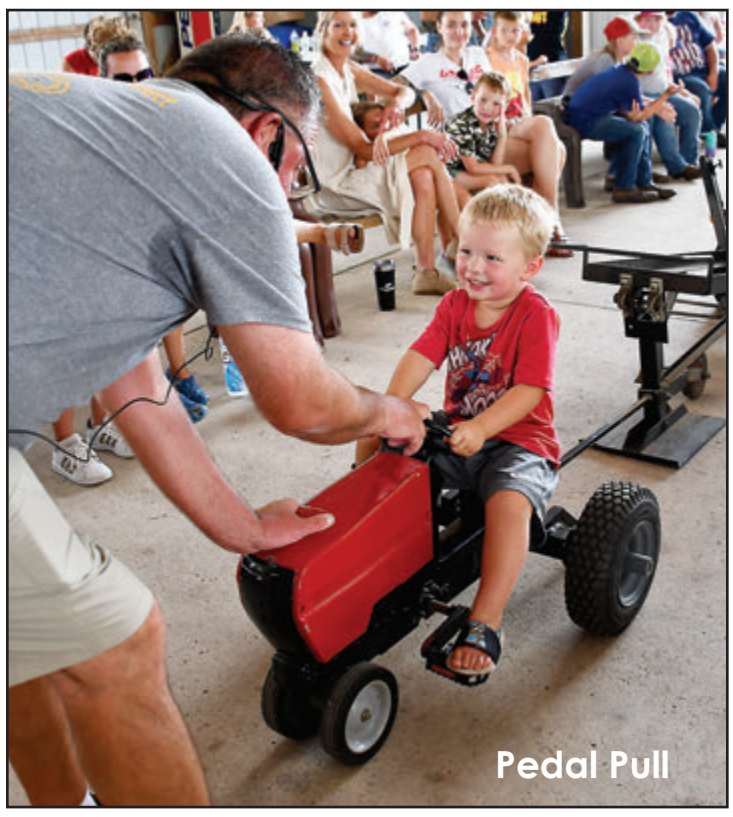












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