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Briefs

Railroad Ag Days set for Aug. 25-26

The annual Manly Railroad Ag Days events and activities are set for Friday and Saturday, August 25-26.

Railroad Ag Days events begin on Friday, August 25, with a supper served at the American Legion Post 110 from 5-7 p.m., hosted by the American Legion Auxiliary. Available for a free will donation will be pulled pork sandwiches with sides, desserts and drinks.

Also starting at 5 p.m. will be a kids pedal pull, held by the Legion post.

At 6:30, Little Mr. and Miss Manly and Junior Mr. and Miss Manly will be crowned.

From 8-11 p.m. the American Legion Auxiliary will present Little Black Dress night. Music will be provided by the Mockingbirds.

On Saturday, events begin in Bosworth Park with the Panther Prowl 5K Fun Run. Registration begins at 6:45 a.m. and the run begins at 7 a.m.

From 7:30-10:30 a.m., Dad's Belgian Waffles will be served as a fundraiser at the Manly Senior Center.

The Railroad Ag Days parade begins at 11 a.m.

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Carpenter Days set for Aug. 25 and 26

Carpenter Days will be held on August 25 and 26.

On Friday night they will be serving walking tacos at 5 p.m.

Half SheBang Bang will play from 7 to 11 p.m. Admission is $10.

On Saturday, there will be horse pulls, pedal pulls, pony rides and inflatables, food and beverages at 1 p.m. Cattlemen's Food Truck will be there between 5 and 7 p.m. and a DJ and Open Mic will begin at 6 p.m.



The Week's WEATHER
from National Weather Service information

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. August 8	80	58	
Wed. August 9	82	58	
Thurs. August 10	81	61	
Fri. August 11	89	66	
Sat. August 12	89	60	0.44
Sun. August 13	85	61	0.02
Mon. August 14	72	49	

WCSO offers supplies to area students

With classes beginning next week, the Worth County Sheriff's Office offers school supplies for students in need, and looks to the community for help to provide those supplies year round.

For several years, working with local donors, the WCSO has been able to help families who may have trouble meeting the school supply needs of their children.

There are no income guidelines or limits. Supplies are available to families at no charge, no questions asked.

Area churches collect supplies and donations to bring to the sheriff's office. Many Worth County businesses and residents have included these children on

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Teri Dorsey, office manager, and chief deputy Jesse Luther are pictured with some of the school supplies available at the Worth County Sheriff's Office.

Supervisors discuss how to raise interchange rates, EMS funds

The process to update water and wastewater rates for the businesses at the Interstate 35 interchange, and the next steps to pay for ambulance service in the southeast corner of the county were discussed recently by the Worth County supervisors.

Worth County provides water and wastewater services to a number of the businesses at the Interstate 35/Highway 105 interchange.

Rates for the services have remained unchanged for a number of years and since mid 2021, the County has not been collecting enough money to cover the expenses to operate the wastewater system.

The County has been working with Jason Petersburg of the Veenstra & Kimm firm to study existing rates and plan for where rates need to be, as well as working with the interchange users in the process.

Petersburg updated the supervisors at their August 7 meetings.

He told the supervisors that the County needs to work on a capital improvement plan as a part of the rate planning, build funds for future equipment needs and replacements.

Petersburg also estimated that, based on the previous fiscal year's figures, rates need to increase as

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N-K board receives activity center update

At their meeting last week, the members of the Northwood-Kensett school board received an update on the Viking Activity Center, after nearly one year of operation.

The official grand opening of the Viking Activity Center was held on August 18, 2022.

Superintendent Mike Crozier informed the board that renewal letters had been sent out to those that had been the first to become members.

Information was also shared on the financial status of the Activity Center, after almost a year in operation.

Over the course of July 2022 through the end of June 2023, the Vikings Activity Center has brought in $70,145.25 in memberships, rentals and other funds through the use of the facility.

Expenditures for that time period, including employees wages and benefits, equipment, advertising and general supplies, totaled $49,563.09.

Crozier said that he expected renewals of the first memberships to be strong and that membership should continue to grow.

Crozier also mentioned ways to bring in more reve-

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Candidate filing for city/school election begins Aug. 28

On Tuesday, November 7, voters will choose who will represent them on their school boards and city governments.

City positions up for election in Worth County include the mayor and two city council positions in Fertile, Hanlontown and Manly; the mayor and all council positions in Grafton; the mayor and three council positions in Joice; and three council positions in Kensett and Northwood.

School board positions up for election include one at large seat and those representing District 1, North B and District 2, South B in the Central Springs school district. Three seats on the Northwood-Kensett school board will be up for election.

The first day for candidates to file papers to run for city or school board offices is Monday, August 28. Forms should be filed with

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GE school bond vote fails

Last week an election was held to decide whether voters in the Glenville-Emmons school district would support a bond that would provide for a new school building.

The question on the ballot for GE voters asked if they would give the district the authority to borrow up to $37,420,000. The funds would be used to acquire land and built facilities for grades K-12.

According to district officials, the existing school building is nearing the end of its "useful life" with issues that would be extensive and expensive to address.

The high school was built in 1956 and the elementary school in 1970.

Issues with the current school include roof damage, leaks, water damage, structural deterioration, asbestos in flooring, ADA accessibility issues, outdated HVAC infrastructure, plumbing issues, air quality concerns, fire controls, outdated electrical systems, school security systems and more.

The estimated cost to fix all the issues was estimated at $18-21 million, without specific classroom or security needs.

Community members were involved

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Bolan celebrates with fall event August 26

The community of Bolan, population 18 including the "suburbs," is hosting its 20th fall event on Saturday, August 26, with a "Back-To-School" theme.

The Barton No. 2 School was built in 1923, so its 100th anniversary of service is being celebrated. It served as a two-room country school until 1956, then was moved to the main street and became the Bolan Store until 2007 when the Bolan Schoolhouse & Cultural Center nonprofit formed.

To celebrate the century, commemorative Milkhouse Candles will be on sale, along with magnets, and watercolor artwork by Sue Cowell of "The Seasons of Barton No. 2" on notecards and postcards. Wine glasses from previous fundraisers will also be on sale.

The United Women in Faith are hosting their traditional Bazaar from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the lower level of the Bolan Schoolhouse.

The Bolan Schoolhouse & Cultural Center is hosting a free will donation pancake breakfast fundraiser from 8–10:30 a.m.

A few additional vendors will be along Tulip Lane and will be selling products from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The 23nd annual Bike Ride will travel from Bolan



though the neighboring communities of Grafton, Carpenter and St. Ansgar.

This year's ride is being dedicated as a special memorial tribute to Linda Kenison Lindsay, who passed away earlier this year. She enjoyed bicycling and participated in 15 out of the last 22 Bolan rides, usually doing the Grafton loop. Linda, the daughter of Keith and Leona Kenison, lived close to Bolan and

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A dedication to a dedicated leader

The Top of Iowa Welcome Center board members held a dedication ceremony on August 10 led by director Jean Stowell. They honored the late Beverly Pangburn with a permanent plaque and a Crimson Queen Maple tree planted near "Bev's Barn" at the rest area located on Wheelerwood Road. Pictured are (from left) Beverly's granddaughter Peyton, son Donnie and his wife Bryn, and granddaugher and her husband, Paige and Kevin McClure.

Glenville celebrates 125 years — See Page 10

Minnesota law allows marijuana use, growth, possession

The state of Minnesota has legalized the possession, use and home growing of marijuana, or cannabis, with portions of the law taking effect at the beginning of August.

The change in Minnesota law allows those 21 and older to have, use and transport cannabis paraphernalia in varying amounts in public places or private residences.

The law does not distinguish between those living in the state and out-of-state cannabis use, meaning that those living in Iowa will be allowed to use cannabis across the border.

The law limits amounts based on the type of cannabis product, whether that be cannabis flower, edible products or concentrates.

People can also grow plants at home in enclosed locked spaces.

Cannabis can be used by those 21 and older on private property or at places that have licenses or event permits. As of August 1, cannabis use was allowed in outdoor public areas, unless local laws prohibit its use, or on federal property.

Cannabis cannot be used in Minnesota in vehicles, public schools, correctional facilities, in places where smoke or vapors could be inhaled by a minor, on federal property and federally subsidized housing or on an employers premises or vehicles.

The state also instituted an additional tax of 10% on cannabis sales. That additional tax will not apply to medical cannabis products.

The first dispensary sales are not expected to begin until early 2025.

The change also includes plans to expunge or seal records for those with low level cannabis convictions.

More information can be found on the Minnesota Office of Cannabis Management website, online at cannabis.mn.gov.

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attended the Barton No. 2 Schoolhouse.

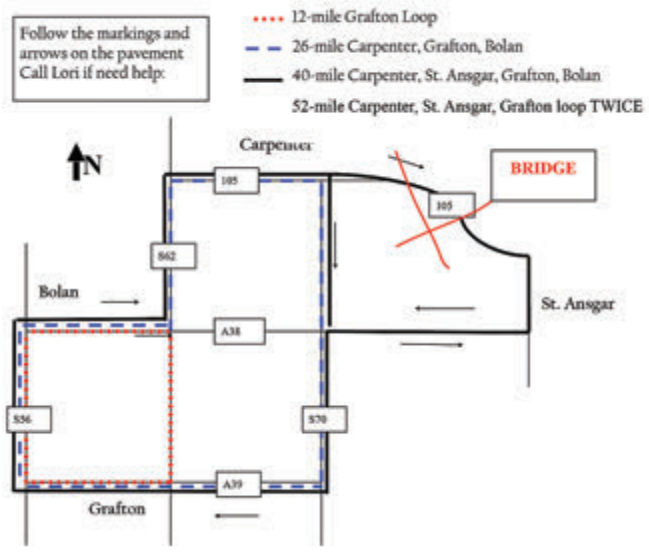
Ride registration begins at 8 a.m., with a group departure at 9 a.m., following the welcome and National Anthem. Riders pay a $10 donation, which supports the community fund, and provides participants with route support and a coupon for homemade pie with ice cream upon return. Special shirts are being designed this year in memory of Linda and to recognize Barton's century of service. These may be ordered in advance through Mary Wendt, 641-425-8773, or be ordered the day of the event.

Keyboard musician Sam Crosser will be playing from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

The United Methodist Women will be serving a scalloped potatoes and ham lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the lower level of the schoolhouse. The meal will include coleslaw, fresh baked bread, homemade jam and a beverage. Take outs will be available, and the building is handicap accessible. The Bolan community will have homemade pie with ice cream from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

All former students of Barton No. 2 are to be on the front steps for a group photo at 12:30 p.m. A "Back-To-School" Program will be held at 1 p.m. in the upper level of the Bolan Schoolhouse with former students sharing memories and guest speaker William L. Sherman of Des Moines, a country school preservationist and author of the book "Iowa Country Schools: Landmarks of Learning." He has worked with Preservation Iowa to organize 22 Iowa conferences focusing on the preservation of country school buildings, programs and history. Sherman also helped found the Country School Association of America (CSAA) and currently serves on the CSAA Executive Board. On August 26, he will provide a presentation on: How Country Schools Make Iowa a Leader in Learning.

More information is available by contacting Lori Willert, 4211 Tulip Lane, Kensett, IA 50448, 641-845-2677, 641-903-9472, lwillert@wctatel.net or at the Bolan website, online at www.bolaniowa.com.



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their school shopping lists, bringing educational supplies to the sheriff's office.

The sheriff's office also has school supply lists for Worth County districts on hand, to help make sure they know what each student might need.

More information on particular types of these items is available by contacting the sheriff's office.

Office manager Teri Dorsey said that the items they need particular help providing this year include 24 count crayons, 8 count Crayola broad tip markers, colored pencils, highlighters, water color paint palettes, black dry erase markers, #2 pencils, pencil bags and pencil boxes, headphones and earbuds, composition notebooks, one subject notebooks, 3x5 index cards, two pocket folders, glue and glue sticks, rulers, protractors, scientific calculators with trig functions, 3 ring binders, 8 tab binder dividers, spiral bound sketch books, paper plates, plastic forks and spoons, 3x3 sticky notes, Lysol wipes, hand sanitizer, gallon storage bags, facial tissue and backpacks.

Those that would like to donate supplies may do so by dropping them off at the sheriff's office in the Worth County Courthouse, at 1000 Central Avenue in Northwood.

Those that would like to donate and families that would like to pick up supplies are encouraged to do so during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., though WCSO staff will work with families when they can't make it during those times.

Sheriff's office staff are encouraging those looking for supplies to call ahead, if possible.

While most people stock up for school in August, WCSO staff keep the supplies on hand and are available year round, should students need to replace items they have used.

Anyone with questions, who would like to donate or who needs school supplies may call 641-324-2481.

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much as 40%.

Also discussed was the Holiday Inn hotel, which is not connected to the interchange sewer system.

By state code, the County could require the hotel to connect to its wastewater system and charge accordingly.

Whether or not the hotel connects would have an impact on rates for other users.

The County plans to contact Holiday Inn owners about connecting to the County system.

Petersburg is also working with County officials to establish new rates. The process will also involve conversation with other system users, hearings and other official notices.

Also at the meeting, supervisor AJ Stone provided an update on the process to find a way to pay the Mason City Fire Department for ambulance response for the area of Worth County that includes the cities of Grafton and Manly, and the townships of Lincoln, Union and a portion of Danville.

The MCFD plans to charge $500 per ambulance call. The supervisors have discussed using a portion of remaining pandemic relief to cover those costs until cities and townships can find ways to paid for the service.

A meeting was held with Stone and representatives of the cities and townships, where they discussed existing funds and the options for raising additional revenue.

Townships in Iowa can implement tax levies for fire and ambulance services. However, Lincoln Township is already at the max levy rate and Union and Danville townships could not generate the funds necessary by increasing levies.

Cities in the county already dedicate funds towards fire departments by covering expenses that include insurance and utilities. They also are at or approaching limits on their taxing abilities.

One option allowed by the State of Iowa would be to form EMS districts. Districts can tax up to $1 per $1,000 of taxable valuation on property, with agricultural land exempt.

However, Iowa code separates cities and townships when it comes to EMS districts.

The areas outside of city limits could establish an EMS district in the townships. EMS districts could also be established in cities, but would be separate from districts that are established outside city limits.

Beyond the separation between city and townships, the State code sets the same process to establish an EMS district. A petition must be signed by at least 25% of property owners in a proposed district, if they own at least 25% of the assessed valuation.

A petition with the required signatures would then be presented to the county supervisors, who would then hold a hearing and decide whether or not to establish the district.

If they proceed a civil engineer would be hired to establish the outline, lots and valuation of the district, with a hearing to follow on the engineer's report.

That would be followed by an election.

Before the petition process begins, Stone said that those involved are working with State officials to see if they can establish one EMS district that includes the townships and cities.

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on task forces, with surveys and at meetings and hearings.

Th end result was a recommendation that the district build new facilities, estimated at 81,000 square feet, located where the current high school stands, with the elementary building sold or demolished.

Without the bond passing, school officials said that eventually the existing facilities may no longer be viable and the district would be forced to dissolve.

The district would then be divided into neighboring school districts and GE students would attend other schools.

The end of the GE district would also end any agreements with neighboring Iowa school districts, that allowed Minnesota students to attend schools like Northwood-Kensett, if other members of their family had been enrolled in the past.

The vote on the bond issue took place on August 8. It did not pass, with 715 votes, for 55.26%, against the measure. Voting in favor were 579 voters, for 44.74%.

There were two polling locations for the vote.

Amongst those in the Glenville area, including the cities of Glenville and Myrtle, and Freeman, Shell Rock, Hayward, Oakland, London and a portion of Albert Lea townships, 555 voted in favor of the new school. Of those, 370 voted against. In that area, 60% of voters were in favor.

In the Emmons area, including the city of Emmons, and Nunda, Mansfield and Pickerel Lake townships, 345 voted against the measure, with 24 in favor, for 93.5% in opposition.

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Those taking part in the parade can line up on Dahl Street beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The parade route travels north on Grant Street, then west on Harris Street then south on Linden Street.

A number of events begin at 11:30 a.m. in Bosworth Park.

That includes the raffle for prizes that will be on display in the shelter house. The drawing for the winners will be held at 5 p.m.

Vendors will be offering their items in the Ag Days Market.

A number of food trucks will be in the park.

Kids games and face painting will be available. A DJ will also be providing music.

A bags tournament will begin at 1 p.m. Check in will take place from 12-12:45. Registration is $30 per team.

A magic show will begin at 1 p.m.

Saturday night entertainment will be the Hepperly Band, from 7-10 p.m.

More information on the Railroad Ag Days events can be found on the Manly Development Facebook page.

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city clerks or school board secretaries. Candidate nomination papers must be filed by Thursday, September 21 at 5 p.m.

The voter pre-registration deadline is Monday, October 23. The County Auditor must receive all registration forms no later than 5 p.m. unless postmarked on or before Monday, October 23.

Voters may request an absentee ballot at the Auditor's Office at any time. If the ballots are not at the office at the time of request, they will be mailed to the voter as soon as they are available.

Absentee voting begins on Wednesday, October 18.

The deadline to request an absentee ballot to be mailed is 5 p.m. on Monday, October 23.

Voters may request and vote ballots at the Auditor's Office until 4 p.m. on Monday, November 6.

Polls will be open on election day, Tuesday, November 7, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

More information, including sample ballots, links to candidate information and more can be found at the Auditor's Election Website at elections.worthcountyiowa.gov or by contacting the Auditor's Office at 641-324-2316.

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nue for the facility, and increase its use.

Crozier discussed holding more tournaments and events in the facility. However, the lack of people to organize and oversee those activities are a stumbling block.

One potential option that Crozier mentioned was the hiring of an activity and program director. However, he said that the revenue is adequate to cover current expenses, but not necessarily to hire someone in that role.

Crozier mentioned the possibility of discussing a shared position with the City of Northwood to find someone to organize events in the city's parks and for the activity center.

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County-by-county distribution of education savings accounts released

By Jay Waagmeester
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Of the 29,025 students who applied for an Education Savings Account during the month of June, 18,627 have been approved, according to the Iowa Department of Education.

The department says less than 1,000 applications remain under review.

The savings accounts are not available for all Iowans this school year. The program, currently in the first year of a phased, three-year rollout, is open to all public school students, all students who are incoming kindergarteners, and all students whose family is at or below 300% of the federal poverty level, which is currently $83,250 for a family of four.

Of the applicants, 19% were above the 300% of the federal poverty line threshold, according to a July news release from the governor's office.

According to the same release, 40% of approved applications at that time were students planning to move from public to private schools. The remaining 60% are students who financially qualify and are already attending private schools.

The law does not specify a maximum amount for accepted applications. All Iowa students who meet the criteria will be eligible for an education savings account, meaning the program will exceed the original year-one estimation of $106.9 million, which approximated 14,000 students.

County count

The Iowa Department of Education released a county-by-county breakdown of approved ESA applications. Polk County, which has 22 private schools, the most in the state, saw more approved applications than any county with 3,144, the next closest county, Linn, had 1,318 approved applications.

Decatur, Louisa and Ringgold counties had no approved applications. Those three counties do not have private schools.

Editor's Note: Worth County had eight appications, according to the state numbers

The full list provided by the Iowa Department of Education:

Counties with 300 or more approved applications: Polk, 3,144; Linn, 1,318; Scott, 1,306; Sioux, 1,183; Black Hawk, 942; Woodbury, 916; Dubuque, 882; Johnson, 572; Dallas, 505; Carroll, 427; Cerro Gordo, 338; Webster, 369; Pottawattamie, 383 and Plymouth, 411.

Counties with 200-299 approved applications: Lee, 212; Clinton, 217; Marshall, 231; O'Brien, 250; Delaware, 282 and Marion, 297.

Counties with 100-199 approved applications: Jones, 111; Wapello, 111; Jefferson, 112; Story, 112; Allamakee, 113; Floyd, 113; Bremer, 118; Washington, 140; Clay, 142; Jasper, 144; Jackson, 145; Crawford, 152; Buena Vista, 152; Des Moines, 157; Muscatine, 159; Winneshiek, 168; Boone, 170; Kossuth, 183; Mahaska, 188; Lyon, 196 and Warren, 197.

Counties with 50-99 approved applications: Union, 52; Poweshiek, 55; Iowa, 64; Benton, 71; Palo Alto, 75; Humboldt, 83; Howard, 87 and Buchanan, 93.

Counties with 25-49 approved applications: Clayton, 25; Butler 26; Franklin, 26; Winnebago, 27; Sac, 29; Calhoun, 30; Madison, 35; Fayette, 37; Pocahontas, 43; Page, 46; Chickasaw, 46; Hamilton, 49 and Shelby, 49.

Counties with 1-24 approved applications: Emmet, 1; Clarke, 2; Cass, 2; Montgomery, 2; Monroe, 2; Wayne, 2; Fremont, 2; Mitchell, 3; Guthrie, 3; Appanoose, 3; Taylor, 4; Van Buren, 4; Adams, 5; Keokuk, 6; Tama, 7; Wright, 7; Davis, 7; Audubon, 7; Lucas, 7; Worth, 8; Greene, 9; Harrison, 10; Dickinson, 12; Monona, 13; Ida, 14; Adair, 15; Cherokee, 17; Hardin, 17; Hancock, 17; Osceola, 18; Henry, 20; Mills, 21; Grundy, 21 and Cedar, 23.

Forty-two Iowa counties do not have private schools.

"I believe education is the great equalizer, which is why it was so important to remove the boundaries that have existed between public and private schools for too long and to ensure families can send their children to the school of their choice," Gov. Kim Reynolds said in a May video.

The bill allowing ESAs passed the Iowa Legislature with a Republican majority in January, and has since received praise from Republican presidential candidates, political commentators and out-of-state education organizations.

State Rep. Sharon Steckman, D-Mason City, the ranking member of the House Education Committee, has been critical of the program, calling it "bad news" for public schools in a Monday news release.

"Gov. Reynolds gave the special interests and private schools a huge bonus today," Steckman said in the news release. "It's just the first installment of her promise to shift over $1 billion of our tax dollars from public schools to private schools instead. It's bad news for over 90% of the Iowa kids in public schools who will have fewer opportunities and it's even worse for those public-school kids in rural areas."

State Auditor Rob Sand has also criticized the program, saying private schools are not subject to the same oversight as public schools such as open meetings, maintaining public records and following budget laws, which could open the door for irresponsible spending.

"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," Sand said in a statement. "The public may not find out at all, and if they did, there may be no recourse for taxpayers. That is flatly, fundamentally irresponsible."

Students with accepted applications will have $7,635 eligible to be spent on tuition and education-related costs in the Odyssey portal, the New York-based software company that received a contract to host the state's ESA program. Under the ESA program, the state will still grant public school districts $1,205 per private school student in the public school's district.

Students can only spend ESA money at a private school, if the private school accepts the student. Unused money will be returned to the state's general fund.

Ribbon sale includes auction to benefit young cancer patient

This year's annual ribbon sale at the end of the Worth County Fair kicked off with a special auction to benefit a young girl fighting cancer.

Cayleigh Pepper, 13, was diagnosed with osteosarcoma this spring. The type of bone cancer has also spread to her lungs. She has been undergoing treatments to fight the cancer.

However, doing so has meant that she and her family have incurred ongoing expenses to travel to and from hospitals as they seek treatment.

The 2023 Worth County Fair ribbon sale included a special auction to raise funds for her family.

A young 4-H'er friend of Cayleigh's donated a bull calf named Frilly to be auctioned off with all proceeds going to Cayleigh's family.

The result was a number of bidders that wanted to bid and help show their support, whether or not they had the winning bid.

In the end the highest bid of the night came courtesy of LR Falk, with $5,000.

Other bids included $2,000 from D&L Equipment; $1,250 from the Worth County Cattlemen; $1,000 from Mike Hanson; $600 from the Moretz Family; $500 each from Knudtson Auto, MDF Polled Herefords, Jack and Marie Ruiter, BGB Farms and Welsh Chiropractic; $300 each from Braun Show Cattle and Hulshizer Agency Inc.; $250 each from Olson Insurance, Worth Mutual Insurance, Farmers State Bank and NSB Bank; $200 and $50 each from Bruce from Chad and Allyson Krull; $150 from Holday Inn Express; $100 each from Right Start Farm Supply, Wicke Cattle, Jeff Leerar, Randy Oswald, Logeman Construction, Arneson Seeds, Eric and Bridgett Arthur, the Krambeer Family and Irons Farms; $80 from Foss Farms; $75 from Andy Branstad; $60 from Jim and Becky Hanson; and Grace Pixley, Meyer Farms, Sue's Corner Post, Signature's, Aleah Bewley and John Tenold.

After the auction was over, all those placing bids and several others added their donations to the effort. A total of 36 people and groups contributed a total of $15,615 to be given to Cayleigh's family and their ongoing expenses.



Kevin Braun, president of Worth County Cattlemen and Doc Mike Derenfield, treasurer of the Worth County Cattlemen, recently presented Cayleigh Pepper with a check totaling $15,615.



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Pasture weed control featured in Sept. 21 field day

Iowa State University Extension will host a pasture management field day on Thursday, September 21, at 1 p.m. at a pasture located SE of Forest City.

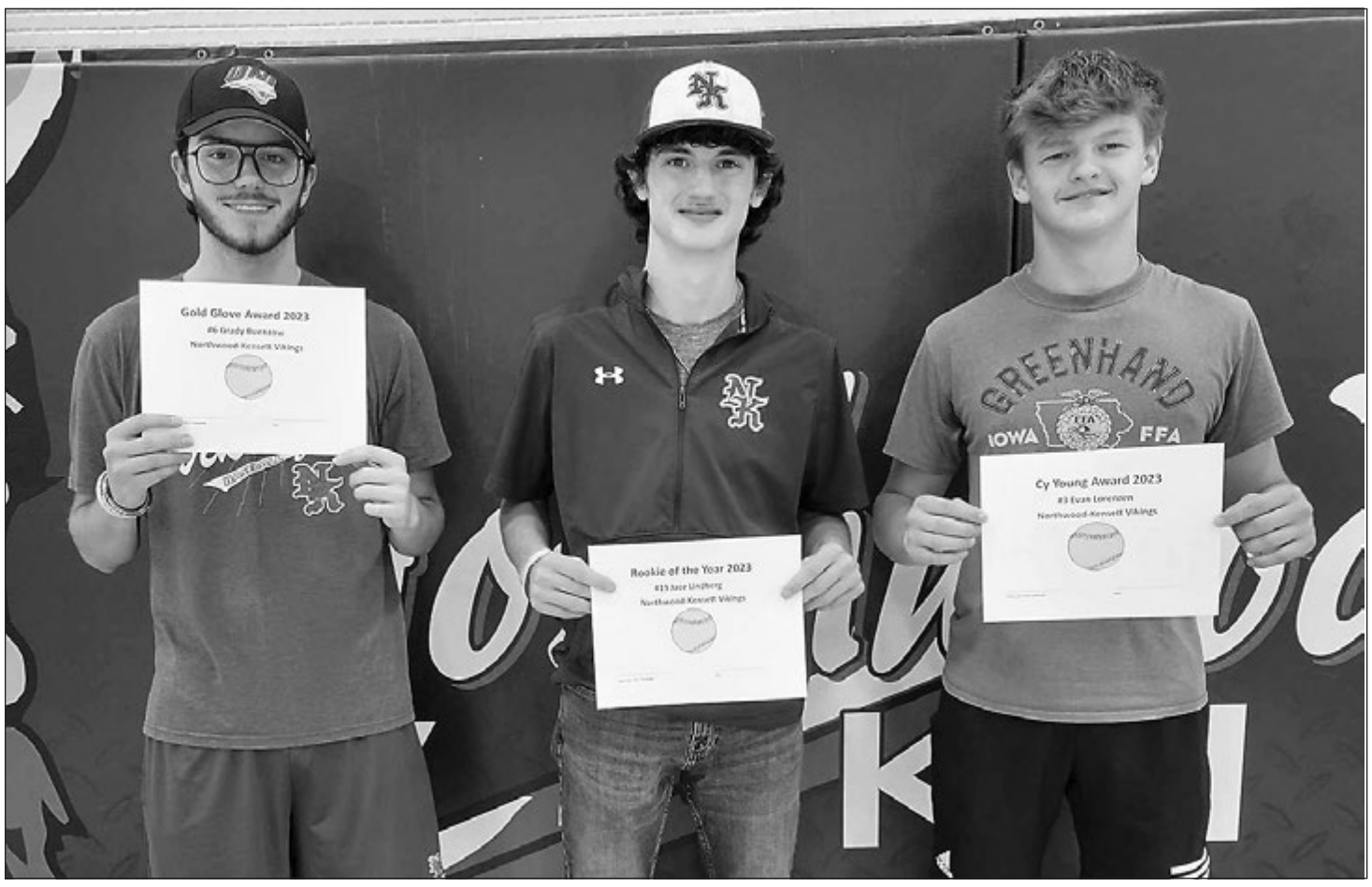
The pasture location is 3.5 miles east of Highway 69 on County B14, which is also 330th Street. Alternatively this is 1.5 miles east of Taft Avenue or 1.5 west of Welch Avenue via County B14. The pasture is rented and operated by Lynn Kluver.

The main focus of the field day will be pasture weed control demonstrating the effects of thistle and weed control using drone applied herbicide on areas that are difficult to navigate in the pasture. A demo of the drone will be featured. Gentry Sorenson ISU Extension Field Agronomist will discuss general pasture weed control methods and Lynn Kluver pasture operator and Adam Stenberg drone operator will discuss the weed control methods and effectiveness in the pasture and demonstrate the drone.

Also a discussion of opportunities to graze wildlife management areas will be led by T.J. Herrick Iowa DNR wildlife biologist and Lynn Kluver.

Other topics include basic grazing management along with tips on fall pasture care, forage and feed management for fall and winter, and resources available.

For more information contact the Russ Euken ISU Extension Livestock Specialist at Hancock County Extension 641-923-2856 or reuken@iastate.edu.



Baseball season awards

The Northwood-Kensett baseball banquet was held recently with awards going to Grady Buenzow, Golden Glove Best Defensive player; Jace Lindberg, Newcommer Award; Evan Lorzenson, Most Valuable Player and Cy Young (best pitcher).

Farmers encouraged to utilize, update free straw and hay directory

The Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship offers a free, searchable online directory to connect Iowa farmers who have hay or straw to sell with buyers who are interested in purchasing it.

Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig is encouraging farmers or those with hay or straw to sell to update their listing at least once per year or as they have new inventories to offer. Organizations associated with promoting and marketing hay and straw can also access the free, online tool.

"Building markets for Iowa products is a priority for us, and the Hay and Straw Directory is a free, searchable online tool that connects Iowa sellers with both in-state and out-of-state buyers," said Secretary Naig. "The Hay and Straw Directory is most effective and useful when it includes updated information, so I would encourage those with hay or straw to sell to make your updates now."

To search by product and county, visit the online directory.

Anyone can view the hay and straw directory, but only Iowa sellers can be included on the list.

If you are an Iowan interested in selling hay or straw or need to update your information, you can do so by creating an account in the online system. You may also contact Judy Allison with the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship at 515-281-8604 or judy.allison@iowaagriculture.gov.



Top judges

The Worth County 4-H General Livestock Judging Team were named champions at the Freeborn County Fair in Albert Lea, Minnesota, recently. Team members include (from left) coach Worth County Extension Education Specialist Dennis Johnson, Adylyn Petersen, Layla Scarlett, Owen Binnebose, Lloyd Heggestad and Henry Hanson. Adylyn Petersen was the Grand Champion overall judge with Lloyd receiving Reserve Grand Champion honors. Layla finished in fourth place and Henry competed for seventh place.

IAFP seeking nominations for 2023 Family Physician of the Year Award

"Is your Family Physician the best of the best? Do they go above and beyond to care for their patients? Are they active in the community? Do you think they deserve the 2023 Family Physician of the Year Award? If so, we want to hear about them!"

The Iowa Academy of Family Physicians (IAFP) is seeking nominations for the 2023 Family Physician of the Year. Each year the IAFP awards one family physician the title "Family Physician of the Year" based on outstanding service to patients and community, and devotion to Family Medicine.

Those that would like to nominate their family physician can nominate them online at: https://iaafp.org/awards/ or send letters of nomination to the Iowa Academy describing why their family physician should receive the Family Physician of the Year Award. Letters can be sent by to the Iowa Academy of Family Physicians, 1515 Linden Street, Ste. 220, Des Moines, IA 50309 or emailed to kcox@iaafp.org. The nomination deadline is September 1, 2023.

The 2023 Iowa Family Physician of Year will be honored during the Iowa Academy of Family Physicians Annual Installation and Awards Banquet on November 17, 2023, at the West Des Moines Sheraton.

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First Responders 'Bring in the Backup' Triathlon 2023

On Saturday, July 29, the third First Responders "Bring in the Backup" Triathlon was held. 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 included a three stage race involving swimming for 150 meters in the Northwood swimming pool, riding a bike for 10.4 miles and then running a 5K. The day began with an introduction from organizer Steve Peterson, pictured below. At the end of the day, those taking part earned medals and awards for their efforts, as pictured below.































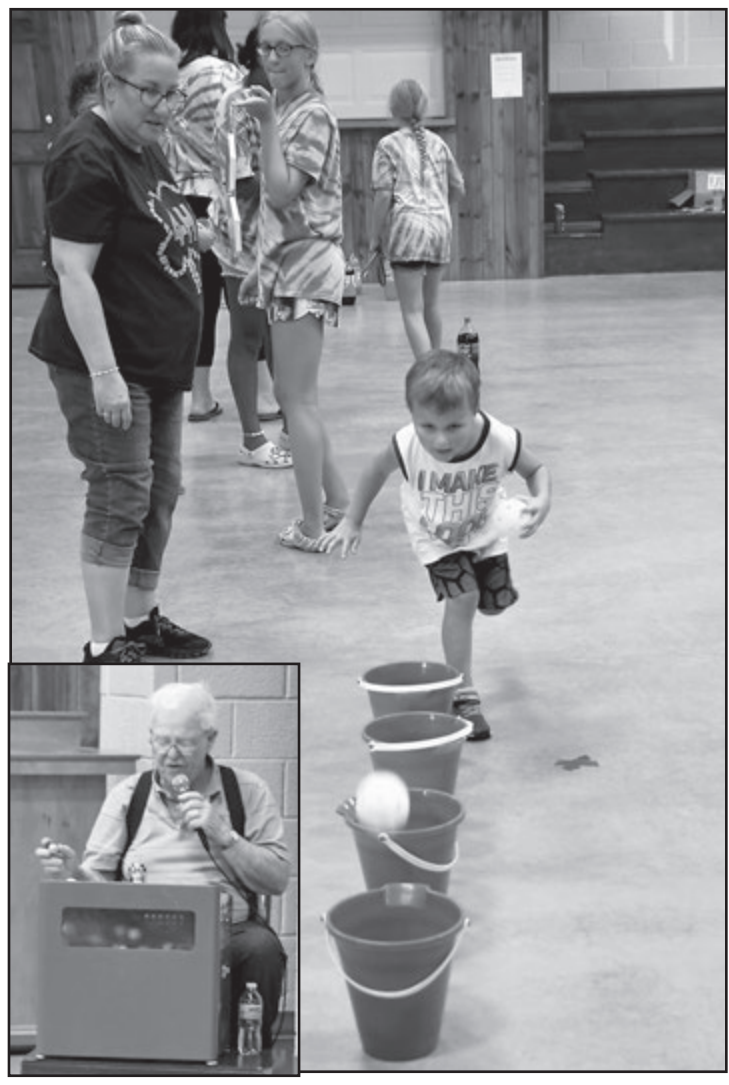






Kensett Town and Country

Kensett played host to its annual Town and Country Festival this past Saturday. They shared a meal, prepared and served by Jake Hanson, of Fatty's BBQ. Pictured above are two of the event organizers and also meal servers Lisa Luskey-Lestrud and Barb Berge with Hanson. Games and a bouncy house were enjoyed by kids at the event. The Kensett Lions Club also hosted a few games of bingo to end the day.



Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center hosts Youth Entrepreneurial Academy

The NIACC John Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center conducted the 2023 Youth Entrepreneurial Academy (YEA) in June.

YEA is a free one-week academic camp sponsored by the John K. and Luise V. Hanson Foundation, and is offered annually to all North Iowa high school students interested in entrepreneurship. Each participant receives a $500 NIACC scholarship sponsored by John Pappajohn. This year's academy included 12 high school students, including a Worth County student.

The participants and schools represented included Addyson Runde, from Northwood-Kensett High School, as well as Josh Hanson, Newman Catholic Schools; Brian Lollar, Clear Lake High School; Luis Morales-Calles, Belmond-Klemme High School; Eric Pals, Mason City High School; Eastyn Petersen, West Fork High School; Fernanda Ramirez, West Fork High School; Daytona Randall, Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock CSD; Fabian Rivera, Belmond-Klemme High School; Summer Schaer, Mason City Alternative High School; Blake Vorhes, West Fork High School; and Avery Williams, Home School.

Throughout the week-long camp, the aspiring entrepreneurs worked diligently to develop a business model canvas.

Students had the opportunity to network with local entrepreneurs, develop leadership skills and gain fundamental skills required when starting a business.

On Tuesday, June 20, the students pitched their business ideas by submitting an executive summary that included a company description, financial plans and business model key measures that included startup costs and sales projections.

The students competed against their peers for a total of $2,600 in cash prizes.

The Academy's director and mentor was Kelley O'Rourke, School Partnership Entrepreneurial Coordinator at the Pappajohn Center. The facilitator was Candi Karsjens, Pappajohn Center Director, and Ashley Page, Director of Entrepreneurship Programs & Client Success at the Pappajohn Center.

Guest speakers for the week were Joyce Martin, Pappajohn Center Marketing and Community Relations Manager; Jayson Ryner, founder of ReEnvision Ag; Brad and Angie Barber, Cabin Coffee; and Stacy Doughan, President & CEO of the Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce.

The students presented their businesses to a panel of three judges: Hunter Callanan; Beth Bilyeu, Forest City Economic Development Corporation; and Brook Boehmler, North Iowa Area SBDC.



Students taking part in the 2023 Youth Entrepreneurial Academy included (in front, from left) Josh Hanson, Brian Lollar, Fabian Rivera, Luis Morales-Calles, Fernanda Ramirez, Eastyn Petersen, (back row) Eric Pals, Summer Schaer, Avery Williams, Daytona Randall, Addyson Runde and Blake Vorhes.

The judges chose three businesses to win the top prizes, with two honorable mention prizes of $250, and six honorable mention prizes of $100. The winners were:

Top Prizes:

First Place: Fernanda Ramirez, Garden Goodness - $600 prize

Second Place: Eric Pals, Pals Lawn Care - $500 prize

Third Place: Avery Williams, More Mochi - $400 prize

Honorable Mentions:

Josh Hanson, Hanson Property Management - $250 prize

Addyson Runde, Shade Tree Job Shadowing - $250 prize

Brian Lollar, All Star Cleaning - $100 prize

Eastyn Petersen, Petersen Produce - $100 prize

Daytona Randall, Bow Wow Clips - $100 prize

Fabian Rivera & Luis Calles, Quick Cast - $100 prize

Summer Schaer, SpaLuxe - $100 prize

Blake Vorhes, BV Farms - $100 prize

Bolan

On Saturday, August 26 will be the 20th Bolan Fall Event. Watch the papers for ads or look for posters with the info all around the area.

The Trinty United Women in Faith (UMW) will be hosting their Bazaar and Scalloped Potato and Ham Luncheon on Saturday, August 26. Check out the papers for the ads and also posters up around the area.

Northwood Anchor Church

Fertile Lutheran Church

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Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly

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Bethany Lutheran Church/Elk Creek Lutheran

Thursday, MANNA Open 4:30-6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Joint Worship - Bethany, 9 a.m.; Tuesday, Bethany Council, 9:30 a.m., MANNA Open 10 a.m. - Noon.

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan

Thursday, UW in Faith (UMW) at the Church, Hostess: Mary Wendt, 2 p.m.; 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., Trinity Worship, 9:10 a.m., Bethel Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Tuesday, Pastor at Care Center Services, 10 a.m.

Northwood United Methodist Church

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First Lutheran Church, Northwood

Wednesday, Chapel at Maple Court, 2 p.m., SH Youth, 7 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Group, 9 a.m., Taekwondo, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, FLC with H.C. & Backpack Blessing, 9 a.m., DCV, 10:30 a.m., JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Council Meeting, 6 p.m., 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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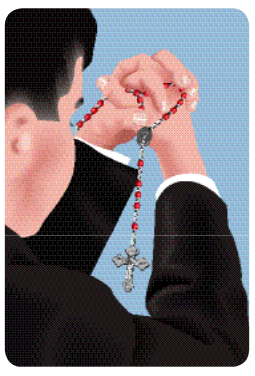
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Cook Bookin'

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Bulwer Lytton, Edward Robert



by Sandy Olson

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

Until I did a bit of internet research, I had never heard of Royal Neighbors of America. This is a women-led insurance company established in 1895 and was one of the first such companies to realize that women as well as their husbands needed life insurance. The company is alive and well, financially stable and continues to be "a mission-driven organization that empowers women and local communities" Over the years, Royal Neighbors has published several recipe collections. The one I own, "Sugar 'n' Spice and Everything Nice" was published in 1978 by Bowden Bros, Inc, in Davenport, Iowa. It's a small, spiral-bound hard cover book. The price indicated on the flyleaf is $1.50! These old books are like looking through a kitchen window of the past and seeing cooks enjoying what they do and families enjoying the products of that labor, especially these desserts.

Coke® Cake
(Ileatha F. Crotteau, Lapeer, MI)

2 cups sugar
1 teaspoon baking soda
2 cups all-purpose flour
2 large eggs, beaten
1/2 cup real butter
1 teaspoon pure vanilla
1/2 cup vegetable shortening
1 1/2 cups mini-marshmallows
3 tablespoons cocoa powder
1 cup real Coca-Cola®
1/2 cup buttermilk
Coke® frosting

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Combine the sugar and flour in a large bowl. In a medium saucepan, combine the butter, shortening, cocoa and cola; heat until the butter is melted. Pour this over the flour mixture and mix BY HAND, until well combined. Add the buttermilk, baking soda, eggs, vanilla and marshmallows. Mix well and spoon into a well-greased 9x13-inch baking pan. The marshmallows will tend to clump together in one place so distribute them evenly thoughout the batter. Bake for 35 minutes or until the cake tests done with a wooden pick. Spread with the Coke® frosting while the cake is still hot. See instructions below.

Coke® Frosting

1/2 cup real butter
1 teaspoon pure vanilla
6 tablespoons Coke®
3 tablespoons cocoa
1 box (1 pound) confectioners' sugar
1 cup chopped pecans

About 5 minutes before the cake is done, combine the Coke®, butter and cocoa in a small heavy saucepan and bring to a boil. Stir in the other ingredients and pour over the hot cake which is still in the baking pan. The topping will be thin but will thicken as it cools on the cake. Leave the cake in the pan until completely cool.

Black Devil's Food Cake
(Erma R. Clark, Abilene, TX)

1 cup boiling water
6 heaping tablespoons cocoa
2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup buttermilk
2 large eggs
1 tablespoon vinegar
2 cups white sugar
2 teaspoons baking soda
1/2 cup shortening such as Crisco®

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Mix together the sugar and shortening until creamy with an electric mixer. Add the unbeaten eggs and mix well. Combine the buttermilk and vinegar; add the baking soda and blend. Sift the flour and cocoa together. Add liquid mixture alternately with the flour mixture to the creamed mixture. Blend in the water carefully. The batter will be very thin. Pour into a greased 9x13-inch baking pan and bake for 35 minutes. Frost with your favorite fudge frosting.

Prune Cake
(Ruth Crispen, Kittanning, PA)

1/2 cup real butter
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup white sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 large eggs
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 cup prune juice
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup chopped prunes
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Sift together all the dry ingredients and set aside. Cream together the butter and sugar. Add the eggs, one at a time, to this mixture, beating in well. Beat this batter for a few minutes then add the prune juice alternately with the dry mixture. Stir in the chopped prunes last. Pour the batter into two greased loaf pans and bake for 40-45 minutes. Slice when cool and serve with softened cream cheese.

Along with these traditional recipes, the cookbook gives us pearls of wisdom and a chuckle. Here's one that caught my eye: "Sponge cake is a pastry made with all borrowed ingredients!" And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society

Hunt – Butler marry May 20

Samantha Butler and Trevor Hunt were married on Saturday, May 20, 2023, at First Lutheran Church in Northwood. Jeff Just and Becky Sogge officiated the wedding.

Samantha is the daughter of Richard Butler and Coni Butler of Northwood. Grandparents were the late Melbourne and Carmen Butler and the late Dean and Darlene Toft.

Trevor is the son of John and LuAnn Hunt of Edgewood, Iowa. Grandparents are Carlyn and the late Virgil Hunt, the late Ronald Meyer and the late Marlene Meyer.

Samantha graduated from Northwood-Kensett High School in 2015 and University of Northern Iowa in 2019 with a degree in Elementary Education/K-8 Math Minor.

She is employed at Northwood-Kensett as a math teacher.

Trevor graduated from Edgewood-Colesburg High School in 2010 and Upper Iowa University in 2015 with a degree in K-12 Physical Education Health and Coaching.

He is employed at Northwood-Kensett as a Physical Education Teacher.

Maid of Honor was Mikaela Butler of Iowa City, sister of the bride and Matron of Honor was Erika Hertel of Northwood, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Kimberly Odegaard of Northwood, cousin of the bride; Kelli Just of Garner, cousin of the bride; Becca Schouten of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, friend of the bride and Adelyn Helle of Garnavillo, cousin of groom. Flower girls were Emerson and Addison Just of Garner, cousins of the bride and River Flattum of Northwood, cousin of the bride.



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Personal attendants were Callie Flattum of Northwood, cousin of the bride and Colleen Jacobs of Leland, aunt of the bride.

Best Man was Travis Hunt of Marion, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Michael Beck of Elkader, friend of the groom; Dustin Hale of Dubuque, friend of the groom; Ryan Parker of Kensett, friend of the groom; and Eric Lehmkuhl of Iowa City, future brother-in-law of the groom/bride.

Ushers were Bryan Odegaard of Northwood, cousin of the bride and Eric Meyer of Osterdock, cousin of the groom.

Usherette was Jenna Hunt of Marion, sister-in-law of the groom.

Musicians were Pastors Margaret and Mark Yackle-Juleen and singer Kathy Fowler.

Reception was held at the The Timbers in Northwood.

The couple took a honeymoon to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

Samantha Hunt and Trevor Hunt reside in Northwood.

'Drive sober or get pulled over' as summer ends

Last year, during the final weeks of summer (August 1-September 4, 2022), there were 40 traffic fatalities in Iowa; 30% of those fatalities were alcohol/drug related. To prevent future tragedies, the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau is partnering with law enforcement to decrease impaired driving.

From August 18-September 4, agencies across the state will be participating in the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over high-visibility enforcement project. You'll see officers working together during this time to take drunk/drugged drivers off the road. No matter how you plan to celebrate the end of summer, make sure you plan to do it safely.

"We want drivers to understand it's law enforcement's first priority to keep people safe, so we're asking everyone to plan ahead," says GTSB's Law Enforcement Liaison Randy Kunert. "The Drive Sober campaign is an awareness effort to spread the message that impaired driving is illegal, and it takes lives. Let's make this a partnership between law enforcement and drivers: help us protect the community and put an end to this senseless behavior."

There are plenty of options to help impaired drivers get home safely; designate a sober driver or call a taxi/rideshare. If available, use your community's sober ride program. If you see a drunk driver on the road, contact local law enforcement.

The Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau works with city, county, state, and local organizations to develop and implement strategies to reduce deaths and injuries on Iowa's roadways using federally funded grants.



Green Thumb Garden Club enjoys a prairie tour

The Green Thumb Garden Club enjoyed a day trip to two Worth County prairies in early August. Both prairies have been planted with flowers, grasses and plants that are native to the North Iowa area and are vital to the pollinator population. Naturalist Heaven Walker led the tour, pointed out many different species and discussed the importance of pollinators to the agricultural industry. The Green Thumb Garden Club hosted Dave Holstad, retired DNR officer, earlier this year who provided an informative program on pollinators that has sparked interest in saving pollinators.

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Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Savvy Senior

Best medical alert systems you don't have to wear

Dear Savvy Senior,

Are there any monitored medical alert devices that you know of that don't require pushing a wearable help button? My 82-year-old father, who lives alone, has fallen twice during the past year but doesn't like wearing an SOS pendant button.

Searching Daughter

Dear Searching,

Yes, there are actually several monitored medical alert systems and other technologies on the market today that have voice-activated capabilities that let seniors call for help using voice commands, without pushing a wearable help button.

These new technologies are very helpful for elderly seniors that live alone who forget, or prefer not to wear a help button, as well as for those who have physical challenges that makes using a help button difficult.

By simply speaking the "wake words" these devices will connect your dad to a trained dispatcher at a 24/7 monitoring center who will find out what the problem is, and get him the help he needs, whether it's calling emergency services, or contacting a family member, friend or neighbor to come and help him.

All of these technologies also offer family/caregiver smartphone apps that will help you keep tabs on your dad from afar and notify you know if a problem occurs.

Hands-Free Medical Alerts

Some of the best voice-focused medical alert systems available today are GetSafe, Aloe Care Health and HandsFree Health.

Rated by U.S. News & World Report as their No. 1 medical alert system for 2023, GetSafe (GetSafe.com) comes with a cellular base console, voice-activated and push wall buttons, an optional personal help button and fall detection sensors. To call for help your dad would simply say "Call 911" twice and he would be connected to GetSafe's 24/7 monitoring service. Prices for GetSafe start at $79 plus a $30 monthly monitoring fee.

Another highly rated system is Aloe Care Health (AloeCare.com), which comes with a voice-activated Smart Hub and optional wearable help button with fall detection capabilities. This system would connect your dad to the Aloe Care 24/7 monitoring center by simply saying "Emergency" repeatedly until connected. It can also make voice command nonemergency calls to preassigned contacts. Prices start at $150 plus a monthly fee of $30.

The WellBe by HandsFree Health (HandsFreeHealth.com) is a nice third option to consider. This comes with the WellBe Medical Alert Speaker that would let your dad call for help by saying "OK WellBe Call Emergency."

WellBe also offers hands-free calling and messaging to contacts, will answer health questions, and provide reminders for medications and doctor appointments. It also offers a medical alert watch and pendant (sold separately) with fall detection capabilities. WellBe starts at $100 plus $20/month.

Smart Home Solution

Instead of a traditional medical alert system, another terrific hands-free way to call for help is to get your dad an Amazon Echo device (prices range from $50 to $250) and sign him up for Alexa Together (Amazon.com/AlexaTogether). This is remote caregiving service that will turn his Echo into a medical alert system. To get help your dad would say "Alexa, call for help" to be connected to their 24/7 Urgent Response center.

Alexa Together, which costs $20/month, also works with compatible third-party fall detection devices like Vayyar and AltumView. If a fall is detected, Alexa can ask your dad if he needs help, then connect him to the Urgent Response line and alert his emergency contacts.

Amazon Echo devices also provide a bevy of other features your dad may find useful. For example, Echo's will let your dad make hands-free calls, receive reminders, set timers and alarms, control smart home devices, check the weather, play his favorite music and much more.

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.

Featuring Big Tiny Little, Jr. at the Piano

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

I ate at the Eat Around It Cafe. They ran out of the special. I always order the special.

So what did you get instead?

A sub.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. I was doing well, even though I occasionally needed to remind myself of that fact. I'd awakened early, wondering how many people name their Roombas and if I spend too much time behind the wheel, am I continually tired? I stopped at a gas station to fill my car with getalong juice. I'd done a food-testing gig at the county fair and sampled many beguiling dishes. Some made me think, "Well, that was different" or "That would be perfect for someone else," but most were scrumptious. It was a tasty resume builder.

Brightly colored road signs have been near my home all summer. They tell me to be prepared to stop. One sign bears a silhouette of a flagman. I haven't had to stop once or seen a single flagperson. I like people, but I'm not unhappy about missing seeing a flagperson.

We had three TV channels to choose from

My parents enjoyed the "Lawrence Welk Show." Welk said, "Wunnerful, wunnerful" and "Ah-one, ah-two" while maintaining a roster of regulars, including the Champagne Lady (Alice Lon and Norma Zimmer), the lovely Lennon Sisters, accordionist Myron Floren, Larry Hooper (his trademark deep bass voice sang "This Old House"), pianist Big Tiny Little Jr., gravel-voiced trumpeter Rocky Rockwell and Dick Dale, an Algona native, a singer and saxophone player. My mother was from Algona. Each Saturday Night, Welk's theme music "Bubbles In The Wine" played as soap bubbles swirled behind the band. No musicians were injured by bubbles. I kept watching, hoping The Rolling Stones might be surprise guests.

Did you know?

The average American spends $12,914 per year on personal health care. WalletHub used 44 measures of cost, accessibility and outcome to determine that Minnesota was the state with the best healthcare system. Iowa was second and Rhode Island third. West Virginia placed 51st. https://wallethub.com/edu/states-with-best-health-care/23457

Fairbanks, Alaska, street names include Lois Lane, Yellowsnow Road, Da Nephew Street, Da Niece Street and At Your Own Risk Road.

Gibson Discount Center, motto "Where you buy the best for less" began in Abilene, Texas, and had over 600 stores at its peak. Gibson turned down Sam Walton's franchise application. There are two independently owned Gibson stores left.

I've learned

My hometown was a village when I was a boy. It didn't have enough chairs to be a sitty.

I love seeing fireflies. It's nice someone is using their blinkers.

The past has its value and so does volunteering at the County Historical Museum.

I can't remember the last time I heard a reference to "F-Troop."

Not everyone wants to see whales. I was on a whale-watching boat in Sitka, Alaska, when I heard a young voice, dripping in whine say, "I want to see a cheeseburger."

If the ceiling fan could hold my weight, I'd never be bored.

I wonder

Do sensitive documents have their feelings hurt easily?

Is a telephone book a massive data breach?

If wombats defecate in square cubes and dung beetles roll balls of feces, do dung beetles hate wombats?

Did Icarus wear sunscreen?

Nature notes

What is a herd of goats doing at St. Aidan Cemetery? Eating. Goats are browsers, not grazers, so they won't mow your lawn, but 40 goats per acre will clear it of buckthorn, poison ivy, thistle, wild parsnip, ragweed, red cedar, garlic mustard and other brush and weeds in a week. For this job, a goat is the GOAT.

Leaves flip over before it rains for several reasons. As rain moves in, gusty winds often precede it, causing leaves to flip over and show their silvery sides. Another factor that can cause leaves to turn over before it rains is humidity. The humidity can soften the leaves, causing them to hang in a flipped position or flip in the breeze.

AAA said the average price of repairing a vehicle after a collision with a deer is over $5,000 and rising. State Farm says the chance of a driver hitting an animal this year is 1 in 70 in Minnesota and 1 in 57 in Iowa. Your greatest chance of hitting some kind of animal is West Virginia, where the odds are 1 in 35.

Meeting adjourned

"Guard well within yourself that treasure, kindness. Know how to give without hesitation, how to lose without regret, how to acquire without meanness."—George Sand.

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Fit to print...

Not everyone can be a rose

Slices of Life
By Jill Pertler

Roses are often thought of as the epitome of floral perfection. The allure of their blooms is undeniable. They grow on long stems - perfect for vases and display. They are fragrant and come in a variety of colors.

Roses can stand on their own, looking glorious as a single bloom in a bud vase. Their brilliance is multiplied in big bouquets. They are a symbol for love and the favorite floral gift to give by the dozens. They even have a whole parade named after them.

Certainly all the other flowers must envy the rose for her many, many favorable traits.

Perhaps.

But I hope not.

Because not every flower can be a rose.

There are tulips and marigolds, lilies and peonies, iris and pansies, lilacs and hydrangea, sunflowers and dandelions. Yes, dandelions. Even dandelions.

All grow and bloom, just like the rose.

Except they aren't a rose. They never will be.

That is the truth of life.

But here's another truth. The world needs a variety of blooms. Think how boring it would be if every flower was a rose.– if every one of us was a rose.

We wouldn't know the fragrance of lilacs or carnations. The spring delight of tulips and daffodils. Seeds eaten from sunflowers and wine made from a flower labeled as a weed commonly known as the dandelion.

Not everyone can be a rose. Because that's how it was designed to be. Because we all have important roles to fulfill.

Some plants are the stars in the garden. Others are ground cover. Some are tall and provide a backdrop. Some are medicinal or herbal. Some provide food. Others fragrance. There are plants that attract pollinators and end up benefitting other plants and the world. Some grow anywhere and everywhere and are so prolific they are deemed weeds.

And some plants produce flowers that are simply fragrant, long-stemmed and beautiful.

Roses have a certain charm - a certain status - that many other flowers don't have.

But roses need a specific amount of sunlight and water and fertilizer and air flow and the correct soil conditions. Roses need to be pruned - in a specific manner - to ensure proper growth and desired long-stemmed blooms. They may be susceptible to disease.

In short, roses are high maintenance.

Dandelions, on the other hand, grow anywhere and everywhere. Dandelions are the opposite of high maintenance. They grow in the cracks in the sidewalk. They are prolific, and weedy.

But dandelions produce pretty yellow blooms. They can be used to make wine and tea. The entire plant (sans stem) is edible. They have medicinal uses that treat a plethora of skin, infection, liver and digestive problems. They are a great source of nectar for spring pollinators.

Dandelions may not have the allure of a rose. They may not be as fancy or fanciful, but they are useful. They are easy. They are non-demanding. They are even pretty, when viewed through the right lens.

As a bonus, once it goes to seed, the dandelion is a source of wishes fulfilled.

Not everyone can be a rose.

Some of us are born daisies, dahlias, delphiniums, daffodils, dianthus and even dandelions. And, while perhaps not as flashy as a rose, dandelions grow where roses never could. Dandelions make tea and wine. They are prolific in ways a rose could never hope to be. Dandelions and simple and upfront. They are unassuming and humble. They give more than they take.

Not everyone can be a rose.

I, for one, am happy to be a dandelion. Wish on that, please do.

Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright and author. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.

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Early Files

100 years ago

August 15, 1923

The famous fall of Humpty Dumpty from the wall has nothing on the unprecedented drop in the price of gasoline that became effective yesterday morning in Northwood, a result of the recent stir made by Governor McMasters of South Dakota. Gasoline was 23.1 cents at the Standard Oil station in Northwood. Yesterday morning a price of 16.5 cents per gallon was announced by all the oil stations of Northwood.

A party of Northwood men composed of S.O. Thompson, Henry Perry, Ernest Perry, W.R. Johnson, Emil Urdahl and George Lucken left for northern Minnesota to spend a week or 10 days at various lakes. They have a large tent and all the equipment necessary for the outing.

More than 5,000 World War veterans are expected to attend the fifth annual state American Legion convention at Mason City tomorrow and Friday. Mason City, home of Hanford McNider, past national and department commander of the organization has arranged the most complete program of entertainment in the history of state of Iowa Legion conventions. Northwood will furnish a golf team to compete in the tournament.

Misses Alma and Sena Johnson, west of town and Mrs. Iver Iverson and daughter, Ilah, from near Gordonsville returned recently from Wild Rose, North. Dakota, where they went to attend the funeral of their cousin and nephew, Ernest Evenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Evenson, formerly of Worth County.

At the beautiful country home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Gullickson, 2 1/2 miles southwest of Northwood, the marriage of Miss Clarissa D. Gullickson and Mr. Carrol C. Jacobson was consummated on August 8 at four o'clock in the afternoon. The Rev. P.W. Jacobson of Cedar Rapids, brother of the groom, performed the ceremony.

75 years ago

August 12, 1948

With four days of programs beginning, in place of three days as in recent years, and with an exceptional quality and variety of talent for the grandstand programs, Worth County Fair managers predict the 1948 fair will see the largest attendance in the 70 years history of the local county institution.

Sealed bids for the erection of the proposed town hall and fire station for Northwood will be accepted by the town council on August 26, following action taken by that body at the regular meeting.

Shirley Ann, the 23-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ingvald Anderson, farmers living near Lake Mills, was drowned Friday afternoon in a rain barrel at the Anderson farm home.

Northwood and vicinity caught the edge of a severe wind and rain storm that passed over southern Minnesota. Rainfall here totaled 1.72 inches. No rain fell southwest of Kensett nor southeast of Northwood according to reports, and there was very little east of town.

Francis W. "Pat" Purcell of Fertile, operator of a drag line in this vicinity, was rendered unconscious for more than half a day but escaped broken bones or permanent injury, it is believed, when his car and a truck driven by Harlan Hartwig of Osage, collided at the intersection of the farm to market road south of Carpenter and a county road running north of Grafton, about noon Tuesday.

Lee Reyerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A.G. Reyerson of this city, died at about 4 p.m. at the Park hospital in Mason City following an illness of several months with leukemia. He was 23 years old at his death.

Officers of the Smith-Perry post of the American Legion of this city elected at the regular meeting on August 2, are Harry Thompto, commander; Kenneth Lee, vice commander; A.G. Reyerson, adjutant; Millard Hamersly, chaplain; Ted Bassett, sergeant-at-arms; and Sophus Hendrickson, publicity chairman.

50 years ago

August 16, 1973

The Northwood-Kensett Quarterback Club will sponsor a Blast B softball tournament Thursday (Today) through Sunday, according to Charlie Jones, president. Local and area teams will begin play on Thursday evening and the tournament will be continued on Friday evening, all day Saturday and all day Sunday. Don Harris and Joel Hopkins are in charge of innovation and scheduling; Dr. Hal Johnson is tourney chairman; Truman Knudtson is in charge of admissions and Jack McMullen and Dale Ouverson are in charge of refreshments.

Donald Pangburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Pangburn, rural Northwood, won first place honors in the Worth County Fair Junior Market Hog Show carcass contest. His 200 pound hog had a carcass length of 31; average back-fat of .90 and ham and loin index of 141.3.His exhibit placed first in the lightweight division of the live show.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harris, Northwood, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Ann to Mr. Richard Vermace, son of Frank Vermace of Iowa City and Mrs. Donald Gray, LaGrange. Miss Harris is a graduate of Northwood-Kensett High School, Mason City School of Cosmetology and is employed at the Beauty Nook in Northwood.

Mary Steiger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glennis Steiger, rural Kensett, will represent N-K School at "Teen Queen" in competition for the Iowa Teen contest at the Iowa State Fair Friday. Miss Steiger was selected by the N-K student body last spring, as a typical teenage girl.

Kathy Jaspers won the championship of the ladies handicap tournament held August 7 at the Northwood Country Club. Other winners were: First Flight, Sue Olson and Ruth McHenry; second flight, Marlene Hulshizer and Doris Johnson; third flight, Dee Bloomingdale and Gerry Arnold; and fourth flight, Gloria Harmon and Renae Vinge.

25 years ago

August 19, 1998

Christa Peterson, 6, and her eight-year-old brother Kyle kept cool by squabbling over the rights to the family inner tube at Kuennen's Quarry county park southeast of Northwood. The youngsters' parents are Darlin and Veronica Peterson of Joice.

Little 2-1/2-year-old Kaitlin Kraft got some shopping advice from her mom Amber Kraft as VerHelst Snyder Drug clerks Katie Hansen and Jessica Shoults looked on during the Northwood Chamber of Commerce's annual Ridiculous Day observance.

Members of the Northwood municipal swimming pool lifeguard staff this summer included Megan Julson, Nicole Meyer, Jackie Dodd, Abby Flo, Pam Schipull, Jill Dodd and Valerie Patterson. Other lifeguards include Amber Flo, Dana Okerlund and Anneke Reeder.

A trio of young Turks carried off the title of the ninth annual Worth Mutual Volunteer Firemen's golf tournament at the Northwood Country Club. Mark Midtgaard, Brian Moretz and Ken Norland put 18 holes behind them in only 57 strokes to claim the championship over 33 other teams in the three-man, best shot tournament.

Doug Fallgatter recently gave pool fundraising committee member Jane Podgorniak a generous $10,000 donation from Fallgatter's Market for the new pool. So far over $700,000 has been raised to build the pool. Demolition of the old pool and construction of the new one is projected to begin this fall.

Northwood resident Mary LaBarge picked up $221.07 worth of free groceries during the 106-second shopping spree she won as part of the 50th anniversary celebration at Fallgatters Market. LaBarge concentrated her efforts in the laundry detergent, meat, breakfast cereal and soft drink sections while store manager Rich Davis and employee Adam Myli cleared the aisles in her immediate vicinity of other shoppers and kept a second cart at hand.

10 years ago

August 14, 2013

Deputies with the Worth County Sheriff's Office responded to a 911 call from a female requesting help in Swensrud Park. A woman, later identified as Justina Smith, 30, of Northwood, was found and transported to Mercy Hospital North Iowa, where she later died. According to the Iowa Department of Public Safety, Smith died as a result of multiple sharp force injuries, ruled a homicide. The man suspected of the crime is now in Worth County Jail awaiting trail for the crime.

We depend on our cars and trucks, and finding someone we can trust to maintain and repair them is a top priority. Kirby Knudtson at Knudtson's Automotive Services opened his shop only a couple of months ago, and it's already extremely popular with area folks.

Members of this past year's N-K sixth grade class are busy with final weeding and harvest of their abundant vegetable crop, grown in the 4-H garden at the Worth County Fairgrounds. The plentiful rain and sunshine have made for a very successful garden for their families to enjoy.

Julie Robb, of Northwood, placed third in the Homegrown Grape Dry Red #2 Category at the Iowa State Fairgrounds. Thirty-six exhibitors with 122 wines competed in 14 categories.

Worth County Fair Queen Jayde Hapgood, 17, of Kensett, participates in the 2014 Iowa State Fair Queen Coronation on the Anne and Bill Riley Stage at the Iowa State Fair on August 10.

The number of players on the field might have changed with their switch to 8-man football, but one thing never changed for the Vikings of Northwood-Kensett, their goal of winning a district title and earning a trip to the playoffs. Head coach Dave Capitani, who is in his 25th year at N-K, has compiled a 154-86 record, including 13 playoff appearances and six district titles.

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Obituaries

Helen Ringham

Helen Jean Ringham, 91, of Lake Mills, Iowa, passed away on Saturday, August 12, 2023, at the Lake Mills Care Center.

Funeral services for Helen will be held at 12 (noon) on Thursday, August 17, 2023 at the First Lutheran Church, 309 Ninth St. N. Northwood, with Pastor Becky Sogge officiating. If anyone is unable to attend the service, it will be livestreamed on the First Lutheran Church Facebook page.

Visitation will be from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at Schott Funeral Home – Mittelstadt Chapel, 902 E. Main St. Lake Mills, and will continue again one hour before the service at the church on Thursday.

Private family inurnment will take place at a later date.

Helen Jean Tollefson was born on February 22, 1932, in Decorah, Iowa, to parents Elmer and Martha (Poshusta) Tollefson. From a very young age, she was raised by her grandparents; growing up in Calmar, Iowa, and graduating from Austin High School in Minnesota.

On June 28, 1953, she was united in marriage to Adrian Ringham in Austin, Minnesota. To this union, three children were born, Marty, Amy and Terry.



HELEN RINGHAM

Together Helen and Adrian spent many years working on the farm, along with raising their three children. In their younger years, the couple enjoyed dancing, going to lutefisk suppers and making lefse together every fall. If you ever went to Helen's home, you knew that you could never leave there without eating. Feeding people was an expectation for Helen. Whether it was some of her baked goods, or a full meal, Helen always had something prepared for guests. Helen had a "green thumb" when it came to growing and arranging flowers. Countless flower gardens in the area contain flowers, especially Hosta, shared from her flower garden. Helen also found enjoyment from playing Bridge, the card game, at various places. You never had to wonder what she was thinking because she'd tell you!

She is preceded in death by both parents, Elmer and Martha; brother, Paul Tollefson; sister, Phyllis Kittleson; brother-in-law, Merv Ellingson; and a great-grandson, Henry Thorland.

Those left to carry on her legacy include her children, Marty (Teri) Ringham, Amy (Steve) Thorland and Terry (Jayne) Ringham; grandchildren, Adam (Kari) Ringham, Tony (Jen) Ringham, Karly (Darren) Fetters, Tonnes (Katie) Thorland, Tristan (Tabitha) Thorland, Zach (Kelci) Ringham and Jonah Ringham; great-grandchildren, Tollefson, Eveyne, Seraphyne, Daphne, Camden and Emma; sisters, Lois (Don) Purcell and Mary Lou Ellingson; and a bonus daughter, Angie (Mike) Wilkins; as well as many loving nieces, nephews and extended relatives.

You can contact the family with online condolences at www.schottfuneralhomes.com.

Donald Torgerson

Donald Charles Torgerson died peacefully surrounded by family on December 11, 2022, at the home of his daughter Tamara and son-in-law, Rod Coyne in Oak Harbor, Washington, where he had resided since 2016. He was 92.

A graveside memorial service officiated by Pastor Becky Sogge and inurnment by Schroeder Funeral Homes will be held on Friday, August 18, at 2 p.m. at South Shell Rock Cemetery, Northwood, Iowa.

Don was born on November 8, 1930, to Alfred Victor and Viola Edith (Helgeland) Torgerson in Albert Lea, Minnesota. He was baptized by his grandfather A.J. Torgerson.

He attended country schools Brookfield #1 and Brookfield #3. At some point his family moved into town and he went to Northwood Elementary School. He graduated from Northwood High School in 1948. He briefly attended Bethany College, Iowa State Teachers College and Mason City Community College, where he also played football in 1950. Don was a varsity letterman in football in high school and junior college.

On March 4, 1951, Donald and Donna Ranae Field were united in marriage at The Little Brown Church In The Vale. Don and Donna were married for 21 years. First born son Tracy arrived in September. At the beginning of 1952, they packed up their 1947 Buick Convertible and moved to Southern California. Their second son Trent was born in 1953 and daughter Tamara was born in 1954.

While working for Norris Thermador in Los Angeles, Don was encouraged by his employer to go back to school. He did and Don received a BA in business from Los Angeles State College in 1956. He was hired by Johns Manville Corporation and was one of only 16 recent graduates from around the United States to be selected for future management positions with the company. He was sent to New Jersey for their industrial engineering training program. After training, the family moved from San Gabriel, Calif., to Stockton, Calif., where Don worked for Johns Manville until 1959. He then accepted a position



DONALD TORGERSON

as an industrial engineer with Aluminum Corporation of America (ALCOA) at the LA branch and the family moved to Montery Park. In 1963, Don went to work for Autonetics, a division of North American. The family moved one last time to Placentia where Don and Donna purchased their first home. Don retired from Rockwell International as an industrial engineer in the aerospace industry in December 1990. He would grin when he pointed out he'd collected retirement for more years than he worked for the company.

Don's interests were many. He never stopped listening to music, which consisted of Big Band/Swing, early jazz, Dixieland and old country western. He enjoyed backpacking, making it to the top of Mt. Whitney more than once. He had many adventures flying his Grumman American airplane, skippering his 1940 30' Chris Craft around Newport Beach and driving the many different corvettes and Chevy Classics he owned throughout his life. He was an avid football and NASCAR fan and a World War ll history buff.

Some of his restoration projects included a 1931 Chevrolet Sport Coupe, a 1950 half ton Chevy pickup, a 1937 John Deere A tractor and a 1935 Farmall F20 tractor.

He was a volunteer life member of the Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum, Vista, Calif., which included operating a tractor at the Carlsbad Flower Fields and he was also a member of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America from 1969 until he died.

Don will be remembered as a very responsible, thoughtful, generous, quiet man who never complained, had a remarkable memory and a great sense of humor.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Barbara and Margaret; son, Trent; and granddaughter, Thea (Torgerson) Terhune.

Survivors include son, Tracy; daughter, Tamara; grandsons, Jens, Jess (wife Ashley) and Josh (wife Rachel) Fowler; great-grandsons, Trent, Jess Dean, Kye; and great-granddaughters Lucy and Olivia.

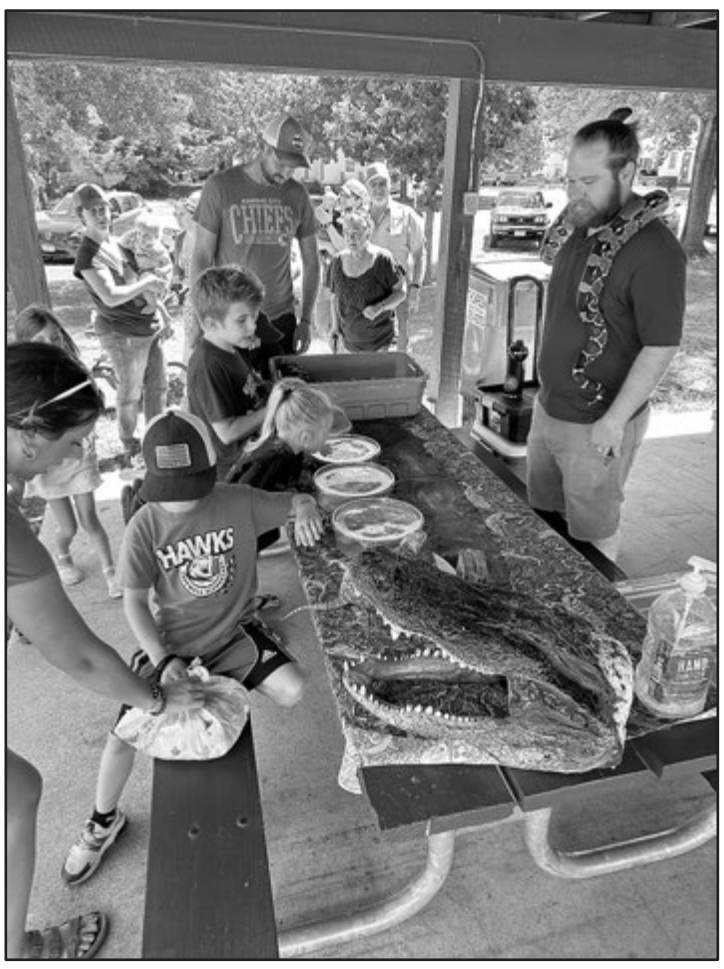


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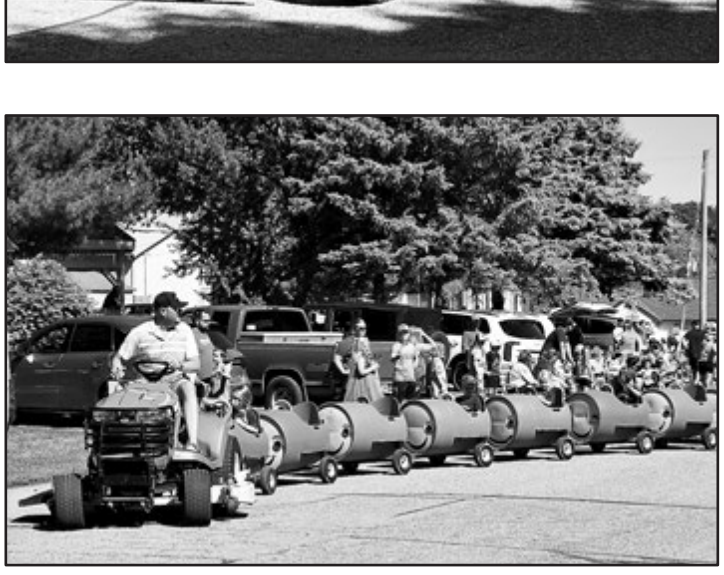


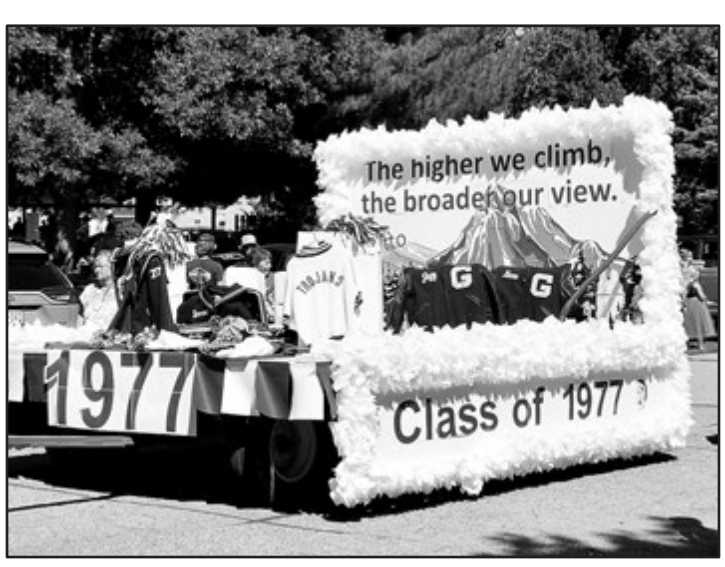




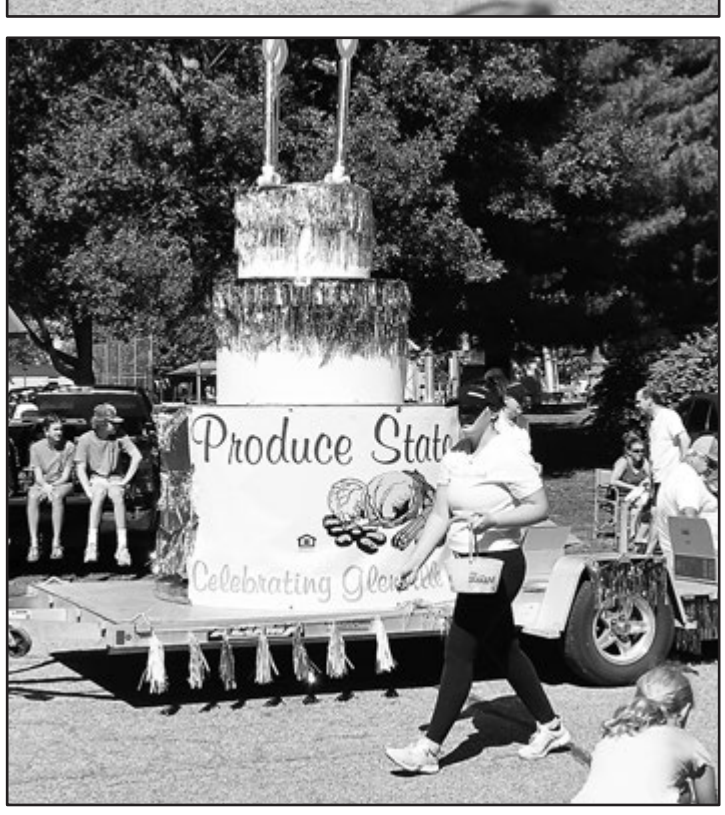






















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Visit www.extension.iastate.edu/worth/ for a job description and application.

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Supervisors

August 7, 2023
Thirty-first Day

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

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

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve today's agenda and minutes from the July 31, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the contract between Rognes Bros. Excavating, Inc. and Worth County, Iowa – Construction of Precast Culvert Replacements at Kensett 26 on 415th ST and Lincoln 42 on Mallard Avenue. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve Pay Request #1 in the amount of $39,748.87 to Larson Contracting Central, LLC for the DD #2 Open Ditch Repairs. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the updated drainage repairs/improvements letter. The drainage clerk will share this letter with staff, include it on the website and send it to area contractors. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve claims in the amount of $91,218.26 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Airgas Usa, Llc
Supplies-Eng 343.59
Alliant Energy
Service-Shf..... 376.90
Amazon Capital Services
Supplies 929.90
Aramark, Service-Eng 426.83
At&T Mobility
Service-Shf..... 1,470.41
Austin Office Products
Supplies-Shf 46.85
Bcn Telecom, Service-Gsr .. 105.61
Black Hills Energy Inc
Service-Eng 78.76
Bmc Aggregates Llc
Rock-Eng 741.01
Brian M Kuchay, Md
Ems Contract 100.00
Carquest Auto Parts Inc
Supplies-Eng 1,222.58
City Of Joice, Service-Eng ... 87.05
City Of Kensett, Service-Eng33.24
City Of Manly, Service-Eng. 59.85
City Of Northwood
Service-Gsr 483.61
Culligan Of Mason City
Service-Vaf 20.30
Dana Young, Service-Mex . 350.00
Eilertson Repair
Service-Shf..... 47.94
Freeborn County Coop Oil
Duel-Eng..... 2,963.04
Grafton Welding
Service-Eng 675.00
Greve Law Office
Rent & Payroll-Aty 6,869.50
Hartland Lubricants & Chemicals
Supplies-Eng 836.50
Heartland Business Systems, Llc
Service-Dap 10.00
Heartland Power Coop
Service-Wwt 2,601.12
Helgeson Drainage Inc.
Service-Eng 400.00
Henry M. Adkins & Son Inc.
Supplies-Aud 985.11
Hovey's Lawn & Garden
Service-Con..... 1,825.00
Huber Supply Co Inc
Supplies-Eng 291.60
Ia Dept Of Natural Resources
Fee-Wwt..... 340.00
Ia Dept Of Public Safety
Service-Shf..... 1,737.00
Imwca
Wk Comp Prem-Ins..... 17,935.00
Jb Holland Construction, Inc.
Supplies-Eng 2,160.00
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf..... 250.42
Knudtson Automotive Service
Service-Con..... 197.62
Lexisnexis, Service-Aty..... 183.00
Midwest Pipe Supply Inc
Supplies-Eng 6,119.20
Midwest Wheel Companies Inc
Parts-Eng..... 16.90
Nelson Family Trust
Rent-Shf..... 300.00
Nelson Septic Services Llc
Service-Con..... 425.00
Northwood Sanitation Llc
Service-Gsr 211.50
Pathology Assoc Of Mason City
Service-Mex 1,750.00
Pria, Edu-Rec 139.00
Quick Supply Co
Supplies-Eng 3,630.00
Richard Brumm
Reimb-Eng..... 556.91
Scp, Service-Eng..... 625.00
Star Equipment, Ltd
Parts-Eng..... 522.65
Trading Post, Parts-Eng..... 38.06
Tyler Technologies Inc
Service-Dap 9,364.27
Val Paulson, Mileage-Drng 151.96
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc
Service-Cap..... 10,138.00
Verizon Wireless
Service-Ema 40.01
Webster Co Auditor
Fy24 Dues-Cta..... 530.09
Winnebago Coop Telephone Assn
Service-Gsr 4,023.70
Worth County Engineer
Fuel-Con 1,468.58
Ziegler Inc, Parts-Eng..... 3,683.09
Grand Total 91,218.26

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve fireworks permits for Todd Buseman/4G Pyrotechnics on August 25, 2023 and Tammy Jo Brandt on September 8 & 9, 2023 both at Country View Acres, 628 430th ST, Joice. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve the destruction of claims and warrants up to FY18 as requested by the auditor. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the legal services engagement letter between Ahlers & Cooney, PC and Worth County, Iowa. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the consulting agreement between Safety Solutions LLP and Worth County, Iowa. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to authorize Veenstra & Kimm to submit a construction permit application to the IDNR for the proposed water system improvement project. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve engagement of Veenstra & Kimm to complete a water and sewer rates study in order to change rates at the I-35/Hwy 105 Interchange, billed by time and materials. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to authorize Jason Petersburg, Veenstra & Kimm to engage Central Tank Coatings to complete maintenance on the water tower. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to adjourn at 9:11 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Enos Loberg, Chairperson

Northwood-Kensett School

The Northwood-Kensett Board of Directors met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday August 10, 2023 in the Administrative Office at 7:00 P.M.

Members present: Larry Hovey, Bradley Christianson, John Anderson and Cindy Pangburn

Absent: Susan Kliment

(4-0) Approved the Agenda for August 10, 2023; July 13, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes; Financial Reports for July; August bills for payment

Reports:

Elementary Principal: 1) Preliminary Registration numbers 2) Dakota Hansen attended crisis intervention training

Secondary Principal: 1) Virtual assembly with Chris Norton, Luther College football player who was paralyzed during game. He will be discussing work ethic, good character and overcoming adversity 2) We've already booked Lyndsey Fennelly, former star basketball player for ISU to talk to kids and staff next August 3) Post Prom parents will be running our concession stands for fall and winter sports this school year.

Superintendent: 1) Summer Clean up looks fabulous – special thank you to Steve, Joann, Monte, Bruce, Brenda, Rose Hanson, Christopher Madsen and Levi Wood for all their hard work 2) Ash trees have been treated, roofing project at MS/HS will be complete before the start of school, windows at elementary have been installed 3) City of Northwood will be receiving an All-Star Community Award for the Viking Activity Center on September 21st in Cedar Rapids 4) Kick off the school year with breakfast for staff on August 14 and Family Picnic at fairgrounds on Thursday, August 17th.

School Board: 1) Discussion regarding funds in Viking Athletic Center and funds in Scholarship Funds 2) Next regular board meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 7:00 pm

New Business:

(4-0) approve the appointment of John Anderson as the legislative Action Network Member and Board Delegate to IASB Delegate Assembly for 2023

(4-0) approve the second reading of policies, 200.4, 210.5, 401.5R1, 401.10 (renumbered to 705.2), 407.2, 501.2, 604.6, 701.2 (renumbered to 701.6) and 708.

(4-0) approve the second reading of policies, 104, 104.R1, 402.02,408.01, 505.04, 507.02, 507.02E1, 507.02E2, 601.01, 603.05, 605.01R1, 605.02, 605.03, 605.03R1, 605.05, 605.07R1, 607.02, 607.02R1, 804.05 and new policies 402.05, 503.07, 503.07E1, 503.07E2, 507.02E3, 507.02E4, 605.03E5, 804.05E1

(4-0) approve Keith Fritz as the Equity Coordinator for the 2023-24 school year

(4-0) appoint Keith Fritz as the Title IX Coordinator

(4-0) appoint Brian Costello as the 504 Coordinator

(4-0) appoint Brooke Olson as the Affirmative Action Coordinator

(4-0) approve the student, employee and coach's handbooks for the 2023-2024 school year

(4-0) approve the list of organization fundraisers listed in the Board Packet presented by Mr. Fritz for the 2023-24 school year

(4-0) approve the list of volunteer coaches presented by Mr. Crozier listed in Board Packet for the 2023-24 school year

(4-0) approve the contract with Synergy Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine for athletic physical training coverage

Personnel

(4-0) approve the resignation of Ashlyn Brandt as assistant softball coach

(4-0) approve the resignation of Mindy Heeren MS/HS Cook

(4-0) approve the hire of Abigail Price as MS/HS associate at a rate of $12.50 per hour

(4-0) approve the hire of Kathleen Lampman as MS/HS associate at a rate of $12.50 per hour

(4-0) approve the hire of Janet Rye as Secondary Secretary at the rate of $20.00 per hour

(4-0) approve the hire of Josie Einertson assistant Girls Track coach

(4-0) approve the hire of Jean Hrubetz as Elementary cook 3 hour per day at a rate of $12.00 per hour

(4-0) approve the hire of William Kochneff as K-12 Music 1st Semester at the MA-14 and extracurricular duties of the MS/HS vocal and Elementary vocal, and rent paid for six months at $375.00

Adjournment

(4-0) adjourn the meeting at 7:43 pm

Northwood-Kensett Community School District
Vendor Name, Vendor Description, Amount

AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.
legal services 50.00
AIRGAS USA, LLC
SUPPLIES..... 121.88
All Star Pest Control
pest control 75.00
ALLIANT ENERGY
ELECTRICITY..... 18,431.72
Amazon Capital Services
SUPPLIES..... 7,201.94
APPLE, INC.
SUPPLIES..... 1,357.00
Aswegan, Bruce
REIMBURSEMENT 36.49
BATTON, SHANE
Lawn Care 2,937.50
BERENS-TATE CONSULTING GROUP
Escrow Levy verification 1,500.00
BLICK ART MATERIALS
SUPPLIES..... 1,489.65
Breakout, Inc
supplies..... 199.00
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS
SUPPLIES..... 114.21
Cedar Rapids Community Schools
tuition 4,746.93
CENTRAL SPRINGS CSD
Open Enr SE 14,621.40
CITY OF NORTHWOOD
water/sewer 209.66
Committee for Children
supplies..... 1,756.00
Crozier, Michael
REIMBURSEMENT 302.87
CULVER HAHN ELECTRIC SUPPLY, SUPPLIES..... 552.30
DEMCO, INC, SUPPLIES.. 360.00
DRIVEWISE, Instruction ... 395.00
FREMAREK INC
supplies..... 482.86
Gallagher Benefit Services
actuarial service 500.00
GOPHER, SUPPLIES..... 1,071.95
GREAT LAWN SERVICES
LAWN CARE..... 530.00
Half-Pint Kids, supplies 105.60
HUMAN RELATIONS MEDIA
supplies..... 478.63
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
medicaid..... 157.98
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES
furniture 1,404.24
Iowa Water Management Company, boiler service 215.00
IXL Learning
membership..... 349.00
John Deere Financial
parts and service 3,431.12
Kelly Hardware
SUPPLIES..... 400.10
Kendall Hunt Publishing Co
supplies..... 5,905.56
Knudtson Automotive Services
transportation services .. 3,176.29
Krampitz, Marty, supplies.. 211.78
LAKESHORE LEARNING MATERIALS, SUPPLIES 2,746.14
LEARNING A-Z
SUPPLIES..... 746.00
Love, Daryl, reimb supplies.... 9.65
MAKE MUSIC, SUPPLIES.. 89.98
MANKATO CONTROL SYSTEMS, repairs..... 6,518.69
MARTIN BROTHERS
supplies..... 1,840.20
Mason City High School
Open Enr SE 13,705.14
MATH LEARNING CENTER, THE, supplies..... 2,546.64
MIDWEST COMPUTER PRODUCTS, INC., SUPPLIES..... 489.20
N-K ELEMENTARY OFFICE
petty cash 51.34
NORTHWOOD CHIROPRACTIC PC, physical..... 400.00
NORTHWOOD ELECTRIC
ELECTRICAL SERVICES 1,204.90
NORTHWOOD SANITATION
garbage 630.00
On To College, test prep .. 2,640.00
One Source Background Check Company
background checks 37.50
ORIENTAL TRADING COMPANY, supplies 430.56
PERFECTION LEARNING
books 213.81
Read Naturally Inc
registration 759.00
REALLY GOOD STUFF, LLC
SUPPLIES..... 257.48
RETROFIT COMPANIES, INC., THE, SUPPLIES..... 220.84
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS OF IOWA, registration 1,346.00
School Nurse Supply, Inc
supplies..... 1,896.05
SCHOOL SPECIALTY LLC
SUPPLIES..... 1,621.25
SMI CO-SEEDORFF MASONRY INDUSTRIES CO
SUPPLIES..... 2,748.40
Staples Business Credit
supplies..... 6,590.66
Taylor Music, equipment.... 365.00
TEACHER DIRECT
SUPPLIES..... 2,706.62
TRADING POST
supplies..... 320.40
Trane US Inc, repairs 5,738.50
VIAFIELD, SUPPLIES 144.00
VISA, SUPPLIES..... 4,458.96
WINNEBAGO COOPERATIVE TELECOM ASSN
phone/internet service 692.20
WORTH COUNTY ENGINEER
diesel/gas 418.62
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
scholarship 1,000.00
MOUNTAINLAND TECHNICAL COLLEGE, scholarship 500.00
NORTH IOWA AREA COMM. COLLEGE, scholarship ... 6,000.00
University of Northern Iowa
scholarship 500.00
Checking Account ID 1 147,462.39
ASPI SOLUTIONS, INC
supplies..... 2,984.00
DECKER SPORTING GOODS
supplies..... 1,809.90
H2I Group, registration ... 1,409.00
ImPACT Applications Inc
supplies..... 485.00
Kelly Hardware
SUPPLIES..... 85.98
N-K GENERAL FUND
officials..... 875.83
Pangburn, Cindy
reimb supplies 19.99
Tobin, Grace
supplies..... 300.00
Fund Number 21..... 7,969.70
ACCESS SYSTEMS INC
copier lease 1,764.17
FES LLC, Web..... 1,845.00
KEVIN SPRINGER CONSTRUCTION, services..... 15,700.00
Krampitz, Marty
supplies..... 3,983.00
VAN-WALL EQUIPMENT INC
loader..... 123,600.00
WESTERN WATERPROOFING COMPANY INC
CONTRACTOR 161,379.35
Worth Lumber Company
supplies..... 13,085.21
YEZEK, JOSEPH
painting 9,011.85
Fund Number 36..... 330,368.58
ANDERSON, LEXUS DEMAY & BRANDON, lunch refund..... 36.00
BERESFORD, ANDREW & CORA, lunch refund..... 12.90
CATES, ALYSSA
lunch refund 37.00
DORSEY, AMBER
lunch refund 16.50
DUCKERT, SAMANTHA
lunch refund 30.50
Hennigar, Amy
reimb supplies 33.98
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
registration..... 150.00
Jacobsen, Shannon
reimbursement..... 20.05
KNUDSON, KEVIN & NICOLE
lunch refund..... 64.65
Leerar, Jennifer & Jeff
lunch refund..... 34.20
MARTIN BROTHERS
food..... 143.67
MILLER, TABITHA
lunch refund..... 20.05
MOON, KATIE
lunch refund..... 20.00
MORALES LOPEZ, ADILIA
lunch refund..... 10.00
REYES, REYNA
lunch refund..... 10.75
ROBINSON, CATHRYN
lunch refund..... 19.60
Seehusen, Shannon
lunch refund..... 25.85
WARBURTON, ADAM
lunch refund..... 53.30
WHITE, KATHERYN
lunch refund..... 10.50
Zazueta, Cathy, refund..... 16.40
Fund Number 61..... 765.90

Legal

Notice

Notice of Hearing to Rezone

Tuesday, August 29, 7 p.m.
Community Room at the Worth County Fairgrounds in Northwood

Kris and Addie Rugland have filed a petition to rezone from agricultural to commercial on property at 4832 Wheelerwood Road, Hartland Township, Section 19.

The purpose is to build a seed, fertilizer and chemical warehouse building.

Anyone that would like to comment is encouraged to attend.

PROFESSIONAL CARD
Business Announcements

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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

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

Congregate Meals
MEALS ON WHEELS
324-1244

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EMERGENCY TRAINING AT TRUSTILE















Last week Trustile Doors in Northwood observed OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) Safe + Sound Week. Trustile offered its employees a hot dog meal, a chance to meet with a hollistic provider to learn more about wellness alternatives, brought in vendors that provide options for the employees' wellness funds and other observances throughout the week. On Wednesday, Trustile also held a drill to give its FAST (First Aid Safety Team) employees a look at how to respond in case an emergency happens at the factory. In the scenario an employee cut off their hand, lost blood and fell to the ground with a potential head injury. The employees called for help while they assessed the situation, iced the severed hand and prepared for the arrival of the NVFC (Northwood Volunteer Fire Company). Then the NVFC and the Trustile team brought the injured man to the newer NVFC ambulance. Once that was done they transported him to the back of the plant, awaiting the arrival of the MercyOne Air Med helicopter. It was a morning of practice in case of emergency for the TruStile team, the NVFC responders and others at the factory. The FAST team at Trustile was set to follow the drill with additional training to help in the event of an emergency.

Amazing Summer Sales

Cub Cadet $5,399

New Cub Cadet Ultima ZT2 60
60" Fab Deck, 24HP Kawasaki, Tuff Torq TZ 350, 7MPH

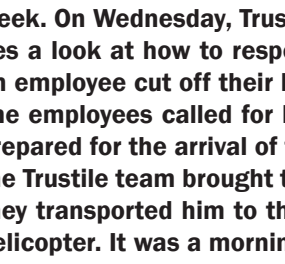
$29,500

2017 Deere 318E
808hrs, Cab AC/Heat, Hand/Foot Controls, Nice Machine, 78" Bucket

$15,699

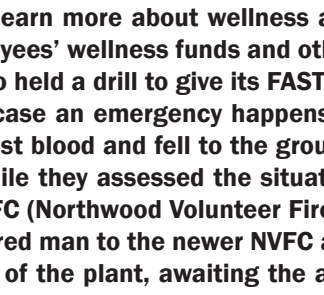
New Altoz XC 610Z
61" Fab Deck, 35HP Kawasaki, Zt-5400 Trans, High/Low 19MPH, Electric deck lift, front suspension

Cub Cadet $2,399



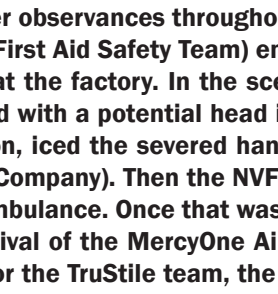
New Cub Cadet XT1
42" Deck, 18hp Kohler

$40,000



2011 Gehl V270
1 Owner 463 hrs, Nice Clean Machine, hyd Bucket Coupler, Ride Control, Cab Heat, Aux Hyds, 12x16.5 Tires

$9,399



New Altoz XE 610 SS
61" Fab Deck, 24HP Kawasaki, ZT-3200 Hydro Gear, 9MPH

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