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Tie vote leaves alcohol service age at 18 in Northwood

Despite a change in state laws, those under 18 years old will remain unable to serve alcohol in the city of Northwood, following stalled action at the most recent council meeting.

Amongst new state laws passed this year in the Iowa legislature was one that lowered the age of the youngest people that could legally serve alcohol, from 18 to as young as 16.

With new state legislation in place, the City of Northwood works with a company to update City codes and ordinances to match the State changes.

That typically means little discussion as the City updates its codes to accommodate State Law.

The server age change has raised more concerns amongst some on the Council.

At the previous council meeting on August 28, a first reading of an ordinance to update the City's code to allow those 16 and over to serve alcohol was on the table.

The reading passed with a vote of 3-2. Council members Teresa George-Zenz, Steve Peterson and Dave Tenold voted to pass the first reading. Council members Dan Reeder and Gary Nerlien opposed.

At the September 11 meeting of the council, a second reading was on the agenda.

Nerlien revisited his concerns. He said that it's their jobs as adults to protect children from things, saying who knows what may happen if they work at bars.

Nerlien said that he was not in favor of lowering the age at all. He said he didn't like what the

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The Northwood city council last week officially approved the intersection of Highway 65 and Sixth Avenue North as a school crossing.

Next week is Homecoming at N-K



Northwood-Kensett will celebrate the Viking spirit with Homecoming set for next week.

The annual events will once again include a week of dress up days. Monday will be a day to dress as a favorite Adam Sandler character. Tuesday will be night time vs. night out day, with the option of wearing favorite pajamas or dress clothes for a night out on the town. Class Color Day on Wednesday will have seniors in black, juniors in blue, sophomores in red, freshmen in pink, eighth grade in green, seventh grade in orange, sixth grade in yellow and staff in purple. Thursday is Ken and Barbie Day. Friday is Spirit Day.

The Elementary School will have their own Dress Up Days for Homecoming, with Team Day on Monday, PJ Day on Tuesday, Favorite Color Day on Wednesday, Beach Day on Thursday and Spirit Day on Friday.

The crowning of the 2023 Homecoming king and queen will take place at 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 28. That will be followed by the Power Puff Football Game at 7:30 p.m.

Friday's activities will

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Public input sought for hazard plan

Worth County is updating its Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). Public input is being sought through a survey now available online.

The HMP analyzes the county's vulnerabilities to natural and human-caused hazards and identifies mitigation options to minimize property damage and reduce losses of life and health impacts.

The HMP is updated every five years to comply with the federal Disaster Mitigation Act.

Having an updated HMP in place helps the county, cities and schools access federal dollars for mitigation planning projects and expenses.

As local governments update the HMP, the public's help is a part of the process. The purpose of the survey is to collect information from the public and those potentially impacted by hazards in the community.

The survey lists potential hazards and asks how significant they would be in the county; how often hazards have impacted people's lives; mitigation action priorities; and some basic information about where people live.

The survey can be accessed online at forms.office.com/e/EGs8ehb5yc.

Governor signs harvest proclamation

Last week, Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds signed a proclamation relating to the weight limits and transportation of grain, fertilizer, and manure.

The proclamation is effective through October 11, 2023. The proclamation allows vehicles transporting corn, soybeans, hay, straw, silage, stover, fertilizer (dry, liquid, and gas), and manure (dry and liquid) to be overweight (not exceeding 90,000 pounds gross weight) without a permit for the duration of this proclamation.

This proclamation applies to loads transported on all highways within Iowa (excluding the interstate system) and those which do not exceed a maximum of 90,000 pounds gross weight, do not exceed the maximum axle weight limit determined under the non-primary highway maximum gross weight table in Iowa Code § 321.463 (6) (a) and (b), by more than 12.5 percent, do not exceed the legal maximum axle weight limit of 20,000 pounds, and comply with posted limits on roads and bridges.

Briefs

Helgeland retirement celebrated Sept. 26

Next week, an event is being held to celebrate Northwood-Kensett employee Clara Helgeland, who retires at the end of September.

A celebration will be held on Tuesday, September 26, in the Viking Activity Center Community Room. The reception will be held from 4-5 p.m.

City/school candidate filing ends tomorrow

On November 7, voters will choose who will represent them in city and school elected positions. Those that want to file as candidates for those offices have until tomorrow, Thursday, September 21.

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.

Those that would like to appear on ballots for any of those open positions can file forms with city clerks or school board secretaries until 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.

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The Week's WEATHER

From National Weather Service information

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. Sept. 12	74	48	
Wed. Sept. 13	74	43	
Thurs. Sept. 14	72	43	
Fri. Sept. 15	82	46	
Sat. Sept. 16	65	57	0.15
Sun. Sept. 17	75	51	
Mon. Sept. 18	76	45	

Fall 2023 courses for certified commercial pesticide applicators

The Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP) is sponsoring Instruction Courses (CIC) for Certified Commercial Pesticide Applicators. More information and registration material for both in-person and live-streamed programs can be found at online at www.extension.iastate.edu/psep/.

To sign up for email notices: http:/ /eepurl.com/_kHb1.

In-Person CIC dates for Pre-Registration may be required.

Forest, Aquatic and Right-of-Way Pest Control ($45)

• October 18, 9 a.m., Categories 2, 5 & 6

Ornamental and Turfgrass Pest Control ($45)

• November 8, 9 a.m., Categories 30, 3T, & 30T

Fumigation (commercial and private fumigators) ($45)

• November 14, 9 a.m., Category 7C

Commercial Ag Weed, Insect, and Plant Disease Pest Control (CCA CEU's Available) ($45)

• November 15, 9 a.m., Categories 1A, 1B & 1C Pest Control Operators ($70)

• December 6, 9 a.m., Categories 7A, 7B, 7D-NEW & 8

Aerial Application ($45)

• Program Available early fall, Category 11

Greenhouse and Ornamental Control ($45)

• Program available early fall, Categories 36 & 30

Live-Streamed CIC dates online pre-registration is required

Ornamental and Turf grass Pest Control ($50)

Categories 30, 3T & 30T

• September 19, 9 a.m.

• October 26, 1 p.m.

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A missing fountain

Last week many may have noticed that a historic downtown fixture was absent. The horse fountain located in front of City Hall with its constantly babbling water feature, disappeared last week, leaving many to question the reason it was removed. It was relocated to the Northwood city shed temporarily while the City's sidewalk is replaced. City officials say that it will be cleaned and touched up before offering a source of refreshment to those people and their animal friends that pass by.

National Farm Safety and Health — See Sports Pages 12-13



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State did and he didn't want to see it happen in Northwood.

George-Zenz said that she had talked to Northwood's businesses, those that serve food and alcohol and who are most likely to hire those under 18.

One business said that that younger servers would only handle alcohol on a rare occasion if the restaurant was so busy that the person making the drink couldn't bring it to a table.

Another of Northwood's businesses that serve food and alcohol said that the young staff members don't work behind the bar and don't serve alcohol and that wouldn't change.

George-Zenz reminded of the other portions of the updated law that would require young people to have parental permission before they can serve alcohol. Businesses would also have to have at least two people 18 and older working at the same time as those younger.

As to Nerlien's concerns about young people working in bars in the City, George-Zenz said that wouldn't happen, at least not locally. State law still prevents anyone under 21 from making drinks. Hiring those younger wouldn't make much sense at a small town bar, George-Zenz said.

Council member Dave Tenold said that if the State was OK with the change, the City should go along with it.

Tenold also asked how the City would enforce the change if State law differed.

When it came to a vote to pass a second reading of the ordinance, Tenold and George-Zenz voted in favor. Reeder and Nerlien voted against. Peterson was not at the September 11 meeting.

To proceed, the ordinance would have needed a majority vote. A tie vote meant that the change had failed.

With no action to update City rules, that means that, unlike the rest of the State of Iowa, those that are 16 and 17 years old can not serve alcohol in the city of Northwood.

City administrator Amber Julseth said that there were still some other changes in the updated city code that may need to be passed, mainly those updating definitions and terminology. She said that she would work with the codification company to present another ordinance, with no change in the serving age included.

Also discussed at the meeting was a portion of city code that designates which intersections are to be used as school crossings along highways in the city.

While the crossings in the ordinance have been in use since the start of the current school year, the action taken last week made the designation official.

Earlier this year, the council discussed the possibility of adding a crossing at which stop signs could be placed at the start and end of the school day.

The addition made it safer for those students that cross Highway 65 to the high school building that live farther north than the previous crossing at Second Avenue North.

The updated ordinance makes official the use of the corner of Highway 65/ Eighth Street North and Sixth Avenue North for a school crossing at the start and the end of the school day.

N-K art students learn about, recreate glass artist's work

Artists in grades 8-12 at Northwood-Kensett recently completed an art project inspired by a unique artist who uses glass in his art.

Dale Chihuly is an artist from Tacoma, Washington, who has become famous for his innovative techniques to create works of art out of molten glass. He has created simple pieces and entire scenes and environments with glass sculptures and art pieces as the focus.

The students learned about Chihuly and his life and work.

The Chihuly piece, "Chiostro di Sant'apollonia Chandelier" was made by using molten blue glass, sculpted using gravity and by spinning the glass. The process shapes the artwork without any additional crafting.

While N-K student artists didn't have access to molten glass, they instead recreated the Chihuly piece using a variety of household and classroom materials.

Instead of glass, the students cooperated using materials like water bottles, transparency sheets, sharpies, acrylic paint and hot glue.

Each student created their own individual contribution to the tribute project. When combined, they had their own sculpture to display in the case in the N-K student center.



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once again include the Homecoming Pep Assembly to end the school day.

Friday afternoon will also include the Homecoming parade, traveling from the high school to Central Avenue downtown. The parade begins on Friday, September 29, at 3 p.m. New this year, the school is inviting community businesses and groups to join them in the parade. More information is available by contacting N-K student council member Weston Willand at 26wwilland@nkstudents.com.

The Post Prom Committee will host a tailgate supper of smoked meat sandwiches, beans, chips, water and a "sweet treat" for $10. They will start at 5:30 p.m. and offer food until it's gone.

The Homecoming football game will see the Vikings take on the Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock Warriors at 7 p.m.

On Saturday, September 30, the Homecoming Dance will be held from 7-10 p.m., with high school students and their guests invited.

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• November 30, 9 a.m.

Commercial Ag Weed, Insect and Plant Disease Pest Control ($50) (CCA CEU's Available) Categories 1A 1B & 1C
• September 19, 1 p.m.
• October 26, 1 9 a.m.
• November 28, 9 a.m.

NEW: Ornamental and Turfgrass Pest Control & Mosquito Combination ($50) Categories 30, 3T, 30T, 7A & 7D
• October 10, 9 a.m.

Forest, Aquatic, and Right-of-Way Pest Control ($50) Categories 2, 5, & 6
• October 24, 9 a.m.
• November 16, 1 p.m.
• November 30, 1 p.m.

Seed Treatment ($50) (CCA CEU's Available) Category 4
• November 28, 1 p.m.

Pest Control Operators ($70) Categories 7A, 7B, 7D-NEW & 8
• December 7, 9 a.m.

The Live-Streamed CIC opportunities are available on a first serve basis. Sessions are limited to 290 participants, so it is important to register early for these programs.

The Zoom programs will require a stable internet connection and participants will need to check-in at various points throughout the CIC to receive credit for attending.

For more information and to preregister go to https://extension.iastate.edu/psep.

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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.

ACT to open new season with 'Steel Magnolias'



Albert Lea Community Theatre (ACT) will open its 58th season with "Steel Magnolias" at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center on October 5–14.

Written by Robert Harling, "Steel Magnolias" is a play set in Truvy's beauty salon in Louisiana, where all the ladies who are "anybody" come to have their hair done. Filled with hilarious repartee and not a few acerbic but humorously revealing verbal collisions, the play moves toward tragedy when the spunky Shelby, who is diabetic, risks pregnancy and forfeits her life. The sudden realization of their mortality affects the others but also draws on the underlying strength — and love — which give the play, and its characters, the special quality to make them truly touching, funny and marvelously amiable company in good times and bad.

The play is being directed by Kris Bartley. Cast members are Heidi Stoltenberg, Lisa Sturtz, Emily Miller, Kristi White, Kristan Dye and Tanya Herbst.

"Steel Magnolias" will be performed at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center in downtown Albert Lea on October 5-8, 11-14. Shows start at 7:30 p.m., with the Sunday, October 8, matinee, at 2 p.m.

Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for students. Tickets may be purchased over the phone by calling 877-730-3144 (service fees apply), online at actonbroadway.com or at the box office. Tickets also are for sale at the Albert Lea Convention & Visitors Bureau. ACT season tickets can be purchased until October 14. More information on tickets and box office hours is on the ACT website.

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Math at work

Students in Mr. Urbatsch's second grade class are pictured using a variety of shapes as part of the math learning tools in the work places being used in the classroom this year.

Members approve the merger of Northern Country Cooperative and Viafield

The farmer members of Northern Country Cooperative and Viafield, effective September 12, voted in favor of the proposed merger of the two agriculture retail companies.

The merger votes of both cooperatives resulted in a member ballot return that exceeded the Iowa requirement, and overall approval votes met the two-thirds threshold for a cooperative merger to pass.

Both boards of directors are pleased with the results, indicating mutual support of members for future growth and opportunities. "We are grateful for the trust our fellow members showed in this merger vote. It is through that active member ownership that we will be able to further strengthen the services and resources for our farmer-owners," stated Dave Huper, Northern Country Board President.

The two complementary organizations, with strong financial standing and deep roots in the rural, farming communities they serve, together employ more than 270 team members and supply over 4,700 member-farmers. The new cooperative will begin conducting unified business effective February 1, 2024. Corporate offices will continue to be based in both Charles City and Stacyville, Iowa.

Jason Schwenneker, current Northern Country CEO, will serve as the forthcoming cooperative's CEO. Derrick Davis, current Viafield CEO, will continue his leadership as COO.

"This merger is truly the best path forward for our respective cooperatives, employees and communities," shared Schwenneker. "We will be best positioned in size and scale to continue serving the expanding needs of our customers today and those in next generations. That is truly something we all can be proud of."

The joint boards of directors' intention to merge comes after more than two years of shared resources and operations by the respective cooperatives.

"Our boards pursued this unification with consideration of mutually sound financial standings and individual strengths that we recognized would bring increased value to our neighbor farmers," said Steve Fullerton, Viafield Board President.

The combined territories, with little to no overlap, will establish a customer footprint across 16 counties in southern Minnesota and northern Iowa.

Future information regarding the integration of the two cooperatives will continue to be communicated to members and customers.

Northern Country Cooperative is a full-service agriculture cooperative serving farmers since 1908. The primary business offerings include grain marketing, grain storage and drying, sales and services of seed, fertilizer and chemicals, feed manufacturing, and lumber sales. Today, NCC services over 2,200 farmer members across 13 locations and 130 employees in northern Iowa and southern Minnesota.

Viafield is a member-owned ag cooperative in northern Iowa and southern Minnesota with over a century of rich tradition and over 2,500 current farmer members. Viafield employs over 140 individuals who are specialized on products, services and trends within agronomy, energy, feed and grain. As a team-oriented organization, they understand the importance of growth in the business, member operations and communities they serve for future opportunities.



N-Ks XC girls run together at last Thursday's meet in Clear Lake. Pictured are Lexi Hanson-Brandsoy, Merrin Hanson and Macy Thorson.

Personal bests all - around N-K XC competes at Osage, Clear Lake

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Northwood-Kensett cross country teams ran in two meets last week, on Tuesday at Osage and last Thursday at Clear Lake. And while N-K's XC teams don't have enough members to score team points, the entirety of the team, boys and girls, ran their personal bests at the Osage meet.

Placing 29th with a time of 24:33.72 was Macy Thorson for the girls and finishing in 53rd place for the boys was Zach Heiken with a time of 21:58.70. Other times at Osage include Lexi Hanson – Brandsoy 24:40.98, Merrin Hanson 26:32.75 and Ronan Penfold 33:00.59.

After conquering the tough course at Osage the XC team had it a bit easier last Thursday on the course in Clear Lake, with the girls placing 36th (Thorson), 37th (Hanson-Brandsoy) and 53rd (Hanson). Heiken was N-Ks only boy to compete at Clear Lake and he completed the course in 21:24.82, good enough for a 72nd place finish.

The XC teams will be back in action this Thursday when they run in Manly at The Pioneer Town and Country Club.

Girls Team Scores at Osage – Crestwood 58, Forest City 60, New Hampton 82, Osage 86, Newman Catholic 96, Nashua-Plainfield 130, Lake Mills 165

Boys Team Scores at Osage – Lake Mills 38, Forest City 51, Crestwood 95, North Butler 97, Nashua-Plainfield 147, Newman Catholic 148, Osage 169

Girls Team Scores at Clear Lake – Forest City 35, Clear Lake 38, Humboldt 87, Garner-Hayfield/Ventura 102, Newman Catholic 129, Hampton-Dumont 139, West Hancock 200, Clarksville 240

Boys Team Scores at Clear Lake – Forest City 40, Ames 58, Garner-Hayfield/Ventura 65, Clear Lake 133, North Butler 166, Eagle Grove 194, Newman Catholic 195, Humboldt 217, West Fork 227

Thank You

Founder's Day has come and gone again for another year....

What a Beautiful Day! We had lots of people walking around the vendors and eating at the food trucks, in the restaurants and at the Stromstein building and the main museum. The Aristocrats Car show had 122 cars, the 4-Banger cars (model T and A's) that came, showed their cars during the show and then went and did time trials at the airport. Half-Pint the Clown did balloons and facepainting, the horseshoe tournament, and bags tournament were awesome! The "Our Savior Squadron" helicopter ride for the kids was a big hit! Lots of kids riding!

A big thanks to all of the groups that organized their event. It takes a long time to get everything ready for food, open houses, tournaments, a car show and a horse show. It takes planning, and the volunteers take time from their busy schedules to organize the event. Hats off to you!

A big Thank you to the city crew for closing & opening up the streets and getting the tables for us! You are the BEST!

The Northwood Historians did a fantastic job with the cemetery walk. There was a great turnout! It's very interesting and a real treat learning the history of families that are laid to rest in Sunset Rest. We started a new tradition in 2020, by going live on Facebook so if you can't go during the actual walk, you can enjoy it later on the Northwood Chamber's Facebook page.

Founder's Day couldn't happen without the Special Events committee. They organize the Norwegian Goodie Stand (which pays for Founder's Days expenses) and makes sure all of the unseen things take place like calling groups, vendors, activities for the kids, sanitation and getting the word out about Founder's Day. Dale and Mary Songstad, Gloria George, Lois Hogan, Scott and Linda Anderson, Mary Jo Senne, Pam Meyer, Rich Selvig and Teresa George-Zenz.

We are looking for new members, so please contact the group if you want to help organize this great event!

Thank you Everyone!! Founder's Day 2024 is on Saturday, September 7 so mark your calendars!

Special Events Committee

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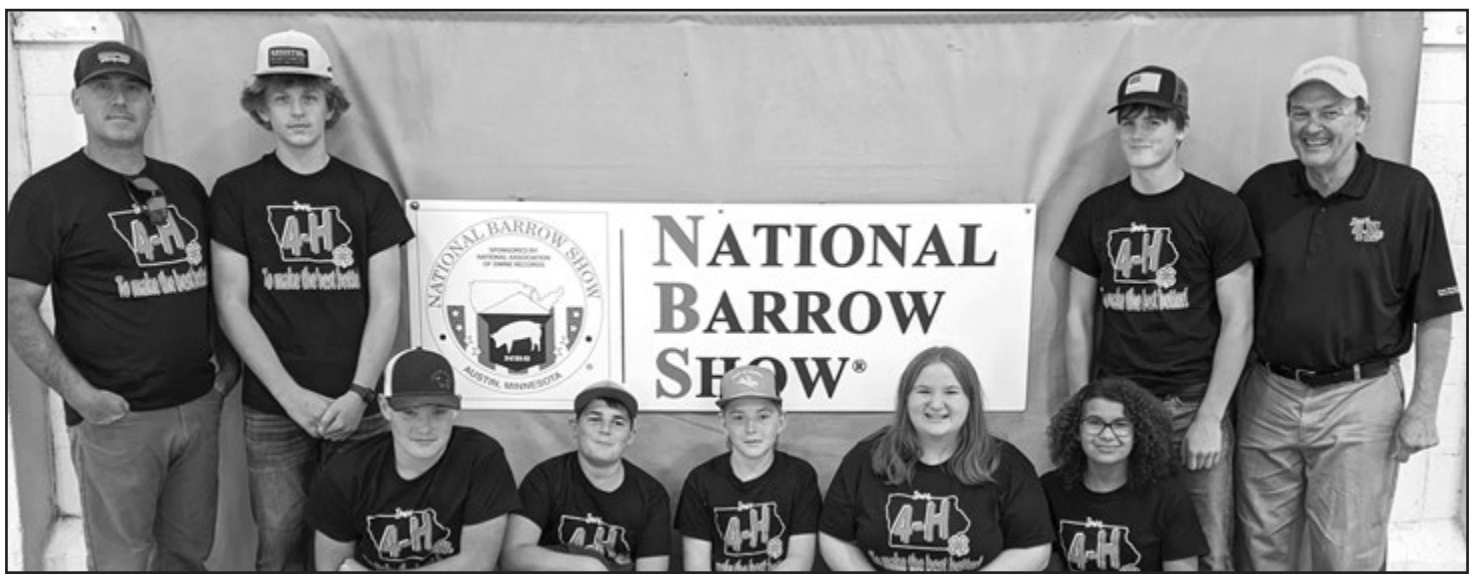
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Stoneking graduates on President's list at DMACC

Nearly 700 students graduated from the Summer Semester from Des Moines Area Community College's (DMACC's) Ankeny, Boone, Carroll, Newton, Urban and West Campuses.

President Rob Denson recently released the names of students eligible for the Summer Semester President's List. To be eligible, a student must have completed a minimum of six credits and earned a 4.0 grade point average for that semester.

Those recognized included Grace Stoneking, Psychology Transfer, of Northwood.



WC 4-H'ers attend National Barrow show in Austin, Minnesota

Worth County 4-H members had the opportunity to participate in the "World Series of Swine Shows" in Austin, Minnesota, on Monday, September 11. Those attending the show included (kneeling, from left) Aydan Schutz, Josh Leerar, Lauren Petznick, Layla Scarlett; (standing in back) 4-H chaperone Chris Chodur, Caysen Chodur, Landen Nelson and Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist. The 4-H'ers were able to observe the swine breeding gilt and boar shows representing 10 breeds of hogs, including Herefords, Tamworth, Poland China, Berkshire, Duroc, Chester White, Yorkshire, Hampshire, Landrace and Spots. Swine were entered from several states from swine purebred breeding programs from throughout the Upper Midwest.

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The State of Iowa requires specific clearances for electric lines around grain bins, with different standards for those filled by portable and permanent augers, conveyors and elevators. The drawings show specific clearances required for each scenario.

Clearance Envelope for Grain Bins Filled by Permanently Installed Augers, Conveyors, or Elevators

Source: American National Standards Institute (ANSI) C2-2017
"National Electrical Safety Code," Rule F-234-4(a), Page 138

Legend
P = probe clearance 5.5 (18 ft.) required by Rule 234F1a
H = horizontal clearance 4.6 m (15 ft.) required by Rule 234F1b
T = transition clearance
V_1 = vertical clearance above a building required by Rule 234C (Table 234-1)
V_2 = vertical clearance required by Rule 232B (Table 232=1 or 232-2)

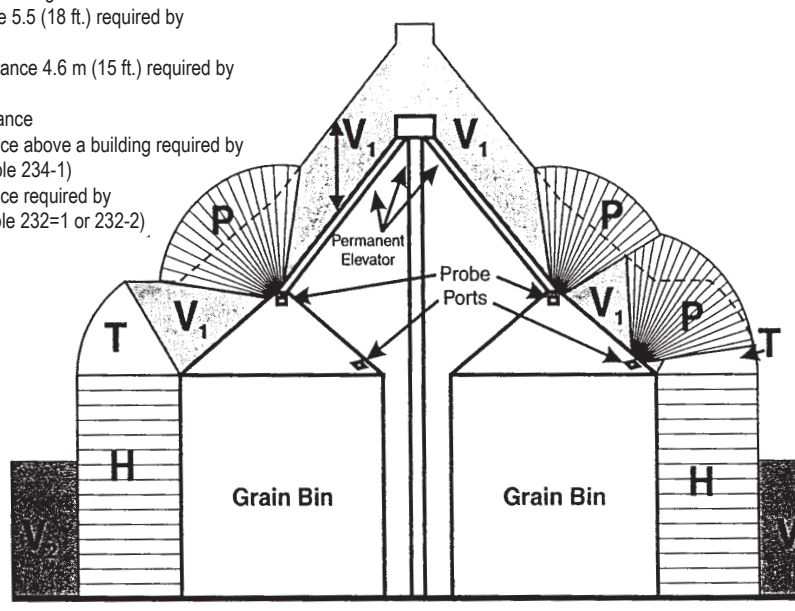


Figure 234-4(a) – Clearance envelope for grain bins filled by permanently installed augers, conveyors, or elevators

Clearance Envelope for Grain Bins Filled by Portable Augers, Conveyors, or Elevators

Source: American National Standards Institute (ANSI) C2-2017
"National Electrical Safety Code," Rule F-234-4(b), Page 139

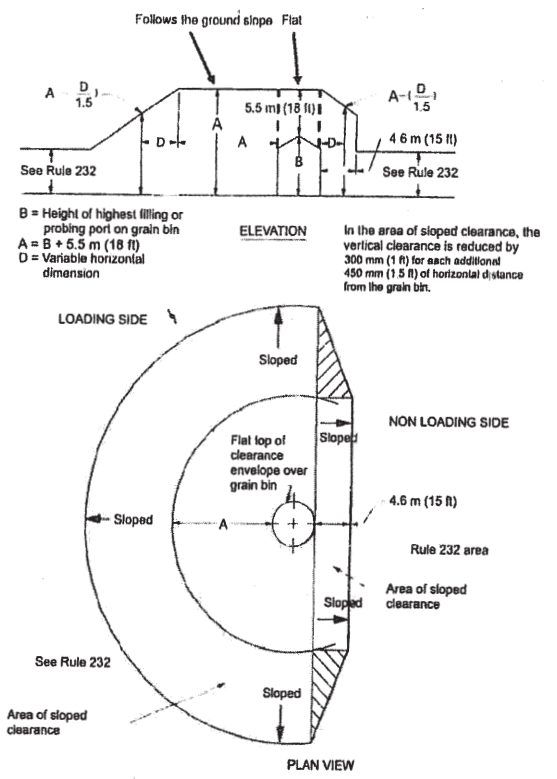


Figure 234-4(b) – Clearance envelope for grain bins filled by portable augers, conveyors, or elevators

According to the Iowa Electric Safety Code found in Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 199 - 25.2(3)b., your local electric utility may refuse to provide electric service to any grain bin built near an existing electric line which does not provide the clearances required by The American National Standards Institutes (ANSI)C2-**2017** "National Electrical Safety Code," Rule 234F. This Paragraph "b" shall apply only to grain bins loaded by portable augers, conveyors or elevators built after September 9, 1992, or to grain bins loaded by permanently installed augers, conveyors or elevator systems installed after December 24, 1997. (As adopted by the Iowa Utilities Board)

Dairyland Power Cooperative is required by the Iowa Utilities Board to provide this annual notice to farmers, farm lenders, grain bin merchants, and city and county zoning officials. If you have any questions concerning clearance regulations, please call our Real Estate and Right of Way Department, Monday through Friday, from 8 am to 4 pm, at 608-788-4000. You may also write to us at the following address: DAIRYLAND POWER COOPERATIVE, Attn: Real Estate Dept., 3200 East Avenue South, P.O. Box 817, La Crosse, WI 54602-0817.

DAIRYLAND POWER COOPERATIVE

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

Bolan

Bolan Trinity UM Church had a Family meeting on Thursday morning at the Joe Nydegger home.

Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY JUVENILE DIVISION NOTICE

TO: Aniyah Tuesno, Mother of P.T.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THERE is an ongoing Termination of Parental Rights in the Juvenile Court for Worth County, Iowa, case no. JVJV000988.

You are further notified that hearing on the Petition has been set in the Courtroom of the Worth County Courthouse, Northwood, Iowa, on the 9th day of October, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.

You are further notified that you have the right to be represented at the hearing by counsel and appear in person; in the event you are financially unable to employ counsel, the Court will, upon application, appoint counsel for you.

If you believe you are the mother of the child, please contact the Worth County Attorney's Office.

Jeffrey H. Greve
Worth County Attorney
Telephone: 641-324-1291
Email: attorney@worthcounty.org
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Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY JUVENILE DIVISION NOTICE

TO: Anthony Lamar Wise, Father of L.W.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THERE is an ongoing Child in Need of Assistance case in the Juvenile Court for Worth County, Iowa, case no. JVJV000975.

You are further notified that dispositional review hearing and hearing on amended petition has been set in the Courtroom of the Worth County Courthouse, Northwood, Iowa, on the 9th day of October, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.

You are further notified that you have the right to be represented at the hearing by counsel and appear in person; in the event you are financially unable to employ counsel, the Court will, upon application, appoint counsel for you.

If you believe you are the father of this child, please contact the Worth County Attorney's Office.

Jeffrey H. Greve
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Notice

ORDINANCE NO. 188

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO STOP OR YIELD REQUIRED

The foregoing is a summary of Ordinance No. 188. Said ordinance may be inspected in its entirety in the City Clerk's Office, City of Northwood, 627 Central Avenue, Northwood, IA, between the hours of 8 am-4pm Monday-Friday. Ordinance No. 188 was passed and approved by the Northwood City Council on August 28, 2023 and will become effective on September 20, 2023 date of publication as provided by law.

Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

Supervisors

September 11, 2023
Thirty-sixth 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 Smeby/Second Stone to approve today's agenda and minutes from the September 5, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve Pay Request #2 in the amount of $39,783.28 to Larson Contracting Central, LLC for the DD #2 Open Ditch Repairs. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve drainage claims in the amount of $39,843.28 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Larson Contracting Central, DD 2 Main, Repairs.....$39,783.28
Worth County Treasurer, DD 00-984, Common Outlet.....$60.00
Grand Total.....$39,843.28

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve spraying of DD #6/Lat 9 by Secondary Roads to ensure timely application. Time and chemicals are to be tracked and paid by the district. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the clerk of court's monthly report. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve 5 Day – Class C Retail Alcohol Licenses for The Stock Tank LLC from 09/16/2023-09/20/2023, 09/23/2023-09/27/2023 and 10/07/2023 – 10/11/2023. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to abate the taxes on the following parcels: 02-12-400-014, $286.00; 02-12-300-004, $788.00; 02-300-006, $354.00; and 02-12-300-003, $712.00. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to set public hearing date for Re-zoning recommendation from Zoning Commission for Kristoffer & Addie Rugland, Parcel #02-19-400-008 from AG to I-L on October 2, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to adjourn at 8:54 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Enos Loberg, Chairperson

City of Kensett

The Kensett City Council met in regular session 09/11/2023 at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall with Mayor Corey Pulju presiding. Council Members present were Woltzen, Heiken, Douglas and Bratrud.

Absent: Parker
Visitors: R. Bauer
Pulju called meeting to order.

Motion to approve agenda by Heiken, 2nd by Douglas, carried unanimously.

Motion to approve minutes by Douglas, 2nd by Bratrud, carried unanimously.

Maintenance discussed that Cahoy is to order a new motor for the Sewer Pump, lagoon may not be drawn down due to the dry weather and the flushing of hydrants on Tuesday, September 12th.

Clerk mentioned she will be out of office September 20th-22nd for League of City Conference, different businesses that service our type of generators, attorney's other cities use and letters to be sent out to D. Sorenson and the Cemetery Board.

Old Business: Sign designs for City buildings were presented. Motion by Douglas, 2nd by Woltzen to approve design F, carried unanimously.

Sorenson Property was discussed by the Clerk in her announcements earlier.

28E agreement was discussed. This will give us the ability to bring in someone to assess abandoned and rundown properties and have an attorney get involved if necessary. Motion by Heiken, 2nd by Douglas to approve the 28 E Agreement, carried unanimously.

New Business: Tenant parking at the Post Office- send a letter to property owner to explore more parking options.

Treasurer's Report: August 2023 Revenues by Fund: General 5,346.77, Utilities 5,634.37, Special 6,522.75 Total Revenues: $17,503.89. Stands approved as read.

Motion to approve bills by Douglas, 2nd by Woltzen, carried unanimously.

Payable: Alliant Energy 5,793.27, WCTA 286.38, B. Luckason 446.37 (net), L. Luskey-Lestrud 651.13 (net) R. Bauer 1,450.31(net), K. Thompson 1,330.37 (net), Federal & SS 932.20 (payroll), IPERS 742.26 (payroll), Tractor Loan Payment #55/60 321.98 (casino $-general), Devon Reckner 772.55 (mowing), AgSource 150.00 (service-sewer-testing), C. Pulju 230.87 (payroll-net), KFD 400.00 (fire protection), Kensett Water Works 109.00 (sewer fees), Waste Management 1,547.98 (garbage & recycling), Kelly Hardware 22.48 (supplies), Northwood Anchor 50.10 (renewal), Nelson Septic 125.00 (Portapot), C. Pilkington 320.00 (generator work), D&L Equipment 14.72 (oil), R80 800.00 (gas), Treasurer's Office 52.00 (Prop Taxes), Niacog 244.15 (dues), Krystal Thompson 125.63 (mileage), Culligan 10.70 (water), TLS 570.22 (supplies), Baker & Taylor 209.76 (supplies), Arlys Bergdale 105.00 (cleaning), TAB Computers 100.00 (supplies), Larsen Plumbing & Heating 131.20 (services), NI Collaborating 644.83 (Beacon Help).

Disbursements by Fund: General 9,255.81, Special 2,564.92, Utilities 1,086.22, Payroll 5,783.51 (gross)

Total Disbursements: $ 18,690.46.

Motion to adjourn by Douglas 2nd by Bratrud, carried unanimously.

Krystal Thompson, City Clerk
Corey Pulju, Mayor

City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on September 11, 2023 at 6:00 pm with Moehle presiding and the following council members present:

George-Zenz, Nerlien, Reeder, Tenold. Absent: Peterson

Motion to approve the agenda. Unam.

Motion to approve the following under Consent Agenda: Meeting Minutes of August 28, 2023; Treasurer Report; Set Fall Clean-Up Days for October 12-14, 2023; Claims as follows:

Payable to: For: Amount
NSB, Safe Dep. Box Rental $40.00
NSB, Monthly ACH Fee $20.00
Iowa Dept of Revenue
WA Excise Tax $1,611.86
Iowa Dept of Revenue
Sales Tax $733.27
Payroll, Wages..... $21,406.56
Payroll, Pool Wages $5,514.17
Verizon Wireless
Cell phones, router-tr,fd $106.48
Visa
Conferences, Supplies-pd,pool,cc $1,495.26
Wellmark BCBS
Insurance..... $10,176.24
Wellmark BCBS
Insurance..... $655.20
Iowa League of Cities
Annual Conference Reg. $130.00
Principal, Insurance..... $478.89
Worth Co. Recorder, Release $7.00
Alliant Energy
Services..... $17,293.46
US Postal Service
Mailing-cc $363.12
Iowa League of Cities
Annual Conference Reg. .. $65.00
Payroll, Wages..... $23,394.92
Ace Professional Cleaning Serv
Window cleaning-cc..... $22.00
Aquafix, Supplies-pw $397.66
Badger Meter Inc.
Hosting-pw $47.55
Beland Tree Service
Tree Removal $1,800.00
C. Emery Nelson
Supplies-pw $772.66
Carquest, Supplies-pw..... $50.32
Chamber of Commerce
City Celebration..... $1,500.00
Core & Main
Supplies-pw $800.00
Dirk VanRyswyk
Cell Phone-pw $1,000.44
Fallgatters, Supplies-pool.. $19.25
Falkstone, LLC
Supplies-pw $271.87
Farmers New Ag
Supplies-pw $418.21
Hawkins, Supplies-pw $116.13
Heartland Asphalt
Supplies-pw $4,377.49
Huber Supply
Supplies-pw $51.15
InControl
Annual Access-pw $400.00
Iowa One Call, Services $23.40
John Deere Financial
Freight-pw $138.25
John Greve
Legal Services $500.00
Kelly Hardware
Supplies-pw, pool $547.76
Kevin Springer Const.
Repairs-pw..... $4,160.00
Larsen Plumbing & Heating
Repairs-pw..... $196.00
Logan Butler
Supplies-pw $53.49
Knutson Oil Co
Fuel-pw,tr..... $1,739.00
Martinez Custom Fence
Batting Cage-rec $15,033.20
Mircobac
Testing-pool,pw $1,184.25
Municipal One
Website Hosting-cc..... $936.00
Nelson Septic Services
Services-park..... $350.00
NIACOG, NoRisc-pw..... $630.00
Northwood Anchor
Publications-cc $293.08
Northwood Sanitation
Garbage Services..... $7,696.00
Northwood Sanitation
Bags $830.00
Northwood Senior Center
Monthly Donation $800.00
OPD Business Solutions
Supplies-cc, lib..... $54.80
Overhead Door Co.
Repairs-pw..... $1,374.60
Overhead Door Co.
Repairs-pw..... $125.06
Proline Dist.
Supplies-pw $338.28
Quality Pump Control
Parts-pw $26,151.80
Rose Ogborn
Cem lot buy back-cem..... $850.00
Roto-Rooter, Services-PD $120.00
Simmering-Cory/Iowa Codification, Services-cc..... $513.00
Special Events Co.
City Celebration..... $1,500.00
Trading Post, Repairs..... $138.82
USA BlueBook
Supplies-pw $70.79
WCTA, Phone/Internet $597.39
Worth Co. Sheriff Office
28E Police Services ... $32,105.83
Worth Co. Treasurer
Drainage Assessments... $143.00
YMCA of Austin, MN
Training-pool..... $550.00
Library:
Alliant Energy, Utilities .. $350.19
Visa, Supplies
SRP, Anchor $353.27
Baker & Taylor Books..... $980.72
Center Point Large Print
Large Print Books $50.64

Summary of August 2023 receipts by fund type: General - $93,609.93; Special Revenue-$58,046.98; Debt Service - $0; Capital Projects-$2,207.39; Enterprise- $103,327.30; Trust & Agency - $0.

Summary of August 2023 disbursements by fund type: General - $106,689.45; Special Revenue-$35,419.72; Debt Service-$0; Capital Projects-$0; Enterprise-$69,169.43; Trust & Agency - $0.

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

Motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 187 Amending Provisions Pertaining to Liquor Licenses and Cigarette/Tobacco Permits. Aye: George-Zenz, Tenold. Nay: Nerlien, Reeder. Motion failed, Ordinance did not pass.

Motion to introduce and approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 188 Amending Provisions Pertaining to Stop or Yield Required. Unam.

Motion to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance No. 188 Amending Provisions Pertaining to Stop or Yield Required. Unam.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 188 Amending Provisions Pertaining to Stop or Yield Required. Unam.

Jane Podgorniak updated the council on the downtown upper story housing project and grant progress. Following the meeting the council was invited to tour the apartments. There was a motion to issue the $25,000 grant according to the development agreement. Unam.

Motion to adjourn. Unam

Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

Northwood-Kensett School

The Northwood-Kensett Board of Directors met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday September 14, 2023 in the Administrative Office at 7:00 P.M.

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

Absent: None

(5-0) Approved the Agenda for September 14, 2023; August 10, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes; Financial Reports for August; September bills for payment

Reports:

Elementary Principal: 1) Farm Safety Day was Sept 6th 2) Elementary Open House is on Sept 21st 3) Homecoming Week-Sept 25th

Secondary Principal: 1) Foreign exchange student from Estonia and visit regarding previous foreign exchange student 2) Homecoming, theme days and dance

Superintendent: 1) Thanks to all the employees NK is off to a good start 2) looking at improving our intercom system with WCDA special grand funds while still resurfacing some of the blacktops 3) Reception for Clara's retirement on September 26th at the VAC Community Room 3) Preliminary Enrollment Numbers

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

New Business:

(5-0) approve the continuation of the Worth County Conservation Board Naturalist Program for a cost of $3,800.00

(5-0) appoint the Secondary Principal, Mr. Fritz, as the Superintendent's designee for Juvenile Court Records

(5-0) approve the bus routes as presented for the 2023-2024 school year

(5-0) approve the Music Departments fundraiser for butter braid sales

Personnel

(5-0) approve the hire of Samantha Arnold as associate at the secondary building at a pay rate of $12.00 per hour

(5-0) approve the hire of Kennedy Christianson as VAC front desk worker at a pay rate of $10.00 per hour

(5-0) approve the resignation of Ryan Severson as VAC front desk worker

(5-0) approve the resignation of Theresa Butler as pre-school associate

(5-0) approve the hire and accept the resignation of Lorie Eisheins as cook at the secondary building

(5-0) approve Trevor Hunt and Jake Hanson as volunteer assistant girls' basketball coaches

Adjournment

(5-0) adjourn the meeting at 7:23 pm

Northwood-Kensett Community School District
9/14/2023

Accurate L & DC, LLC
repair services 304.80
AGVANTAGE FS, INC
propane 860.28
AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.
legal services 249.00
AIRGAS USA, LLC
supplies..... 544.45
All Star Pest Control
pest control 75.00
ALLIANT ENERGY
electricity 18,511.69
Amazon Capital Services
supplies..... 15,628.19
APPLE, INC., supplies ... 1,998.00
Aswegan, Bruce
reimbursement supplies 32.50
BATTON, SHANE
Lawn Care 3,937.50
BLAZEK ELECTRIC
services 300.00
Butler, Steven
reimbursement supplies 16.00
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS
supplies..... 214.38
Center for the Collaborative
Classroom, curriculum.... 3,888.00
Central Rivers Area Education
supplies..... 2,462.95
CITY OF NORTHWOOD
water/sewer 360.10
COMPANION CORPORATION
supplies..... 1,948.00
Cotter, Martin
reimbursement supplies .. 159.99
CRISIS PREVENTION INSTITUTE, training..... 3,824.10
Dalco, supplies 194.72
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
TSA fees..... 600.00
DRIVEWISE, training..... 790.00
FALLGATTER'S MARKET
supplies..... 184.92
FEDERAL FIRE EQUIPMENT
CO, inspection 145.95
Grizzly Industrial, Inc
equipment..... 383.45
Hagen, Lisa, reimbursement 62.90
Hansen, Dakota
reimbursement..... 209.68
Henkel, Natalie
reimbursement..... 337.00
HOGEN LAWN CARE
services 1,400.00
IMAGINE LEARNING LLC
software 16,850.00
IOWA COUNCIL OF THE SOCIAL STUDIES
Conference..... 150.00
IOWA DIVISION OF LABOR SERVICES, permit 40.00
Iowa Division of Labor
permit 350.00
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES
furniture 3,395.10
Iowa School Counselor Association, registration 360.00
Iowa Water Management Company, boiler service 215.00
JAYMAR BUSINESS FORMS, INC, supplies..... 305.28
JIM HUNT ELECTRIC LLC
services 462.75
Johnson Ground Clearing & Dirtwork LLC, services..... 375.00
Kelly Hardware, supplies .. 466.39
Kendall Hunt Publishing Co
supplies..... 331.92
Knudtson Automotive Services
services 6,316.72
LARSEN PLUMBING & HEATING, INC., services 950.23
LEARNING A-Z, supplies . 234.00
LEXIA LEARNING SOLUTIONS LLC, software..... 5,187.00
MANKATO CONTROL SYSTEMS, repairs 770.00
MARTIN BROTHERS
supplies..... 1,632.65
MASON CITY GLASS
service..... 296.00
MAYO CLINIC
DOT physical..... 182.00
Medical Enterprises, Inc.
supplies/fees 50.00
MENARDS, supplies..... 99.98
MIDWEST COMPUTER PRODUCTS, INC., supplies..... 570.00
NASSCO INC, supplies 332.30
NIACC Book Zone
CCE books 2,497.20
NIACC Continuing Ed Dpt
training..... 120.00
NORTHWOOD ANCHOR
publication..... 671.09
NORTHWOOD CHIROPRACTIC PC, physical..... 600.00
NORTHWOOD ELECTRIC
services 595.97
NORTHWOOD SANITATION
garbage 630.00
OFFICE ELEMENTS
supplies..... 1,272.07
One Source Background Check Company
background checks..... 112.50
PAPER CORPORATION, THE
paper..... 3,417.36
PERMA BOUND BOOKS
books..... 1,936.34
PLUMB SUPPLY COMPANY - MC, supplies..... 505.71
REALLY GOOD STUFF, LLC
supplies..... 1,401.39
Renwick, Amy
reimbursement..... 207.68
Rieman Music, Inc
supplies..... 1,095.00
SCHILLING SUPPLY COMPANY, supplies 1,383.01
SCHOLASTIC INC.
supplies..... 392.76
SCHOOL SPECIALTY LLC
supplies..... 3,239.38
School Specialty, supplies 1,124.74
SCHUMACHER ELEVATOR COMPANY, inspection 615.00
SIGNATURES SUPPER CLUB
services 855.00
Staples Business Credit
supplies..... 594.05
Sweetwater, supplies 308.09
TEACHER DIRECT
supplies..... 348.58
Thorson, Megan
reimb supplies 125.95
TPRS BOOKS, supplies..... 180.00
TRADING POST
supplies..... 1,160.24
Trane US Inc, repairs 1,097.05
Truck Center Companies
service..... 18.61
VIAFIELD, salt..... 96.00
VISA, supplies..... 10,160.22
WAYSIDE PUBLISHING
supplies..... 274.80
WCTA
phone/internet service 691.10
WORTH COUNTY ENGINEER
diesel/gas 920.51
Worth County Treasurer
drainage..... 26.00
North Iowa Area Comm College
scholarship 500.00
University of Northern Iowa
scholarship 2,000.00
Fund Number 10..... 140,719.27
ADAMS, TONY, official..... 145.00
Amazon Capital Services
supplies..... 157.99
ANDERSON'S, supplies 222.03
ANDERSON, STEVE
official 280.00
Angell, Doug, Official..... 80.00
ASPI SOLUTIONS, INC
supplies..... 84.00
Bachtle, Jodie, photos..... 267.50
BANDO SHOES, supplies . 106.53
BECKER, TREY, official ... 130.00
BERGMAN, BEN, official.. 130.00
BOHL, TERRY, official..... 130.00
BRACKEY, JIM, official 140.00
BRITTAIN, CHARLES
official 450.00
Caffrey, Dan, official..... 130.00
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS
SUPPLIES..... 2.44
CENTRAL SPRINGS CSD
fee..... 90.00
CLEAR LAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS, fee..... 150.00
Cotter, Martin
reimbursement..... 401.08
DAHLE, TONY, official 280.00
DINGMAN, DAN, official .. 280.00
EICHMEIER, LARRY
officia 110.00
ELITE SPORT, supplies.... 312.00
FALLGATTER'S MARKET
supplies..... 201.97
FOREST CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS, fee..... 100.00
Fringe and Lace by Brittany
alterations 50.00
GARNER-HAYFIELD-VENTURA CSD, fee 275.00
Graphic Edge, LLC, The
supplies..... 5,073.27
GREIMAN, TODD, official 110.00
HENN, GREGORY, official 130.00
HOGEN LAWN CARE
services 150.00
IOWA ASSOCIATION OF TRACK COACHES, fee 55.00
IOWA CHEERLEADING COACHES, fee 180.00
Iowa Girls Coaches Association
fee..... 75.00
Iowa High School Athletic Directors Association
membership..... 1,025.00
IOWA HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC ASSOC, fee 20.00
IOWA HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH ASSOCIATION, fee..... 50.00
J.W. PEPPER & SON, INC.
supplies..... 288.00
Jackson, Ashley
choreography..... 1,000.00
John Deere Financial
service..... 41.03
Johnson, Tracy, Official..... 80.00
JOSTENS, INC., supplies.. 594.77
Kelly Hardware, supplies 65.98
LAKE MILLS CSD, fee..... 90.00
LASHER, LANCE, official. 145.00
Lee, Jim, Official..... 80.00
Miller, John, official..... 130.00
MOINE, MARK, official..... 130.00
MOJO PRODUCTIONS
DJ..... 1,500.00
Music in Motion, DJ..... 325.00
NALAN, MARK, official 80.00
NASSP, membership 500.00
NAT'L FFA ORGANIZATION
membership..... 76.00
North Iowa Officials Association
membership..... 850.00
OHL, PATTY, official..... 160.00
Pangburn, Cindy
reimb supplies..... 154.00
Pavlovich, Jeff, official..... 145.00
PEARCE, BRIAN, official.. 640.00
Rieman Music, Inc, supplies 30.00
RUSTAD, DUANE, official 280.00
RUSTIC THREAD, THE
supplies..... 600.00
SCHOOL HEALTH CORPORATION, supplies 2,496.23
SIMONSON, ADRAIN
official 160.00
SLATOR, JASON, official.. 110.00
SMITH, TROY, official 130.00
ST. ANSGAR CSD, fee..... 70.00
Staudt, Steve, official..... 130.00
SUDOL, BRADLEY
official 130.00
SUNTKEN, CHRIS, official. 80.00
SWYTER, TIM, official 160.00
Thein, Trevor, official 130.00
Thorson, Megan
reimb supplies..... 29.00
TREES, ERIC, official..... 130.00
Varsity, uniforms 154.75
WOOLDRIDGE, KARL
official 110.00
Fund Number 21..... 23,578.57
Beland Tree Service LLC
tree removal 9,400.00
KENISON CONSTRUCTION
services 750.00
MANKATO CONTROL SYSTEMS, repairs..... 4,788.53
Taylor Construction
services 9,200.00
Worth Lumber Company
supplies..... 1,338.05
Fund Number 33..... 25,476.58
ACCESS SYSTEMS INC
copier lease 1,089.46
CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.
supplies..... 18,505.19
Knudtson Automotive Services
transportation services . 2,523.59
Marco Technologies LLC
buyout 10,940.94
NAGLE, ROBERT, Rent. 1,125.00
NORTHLAND CUSTOM INTERIORS, supplies 3,680.86
Fund Number 36..... 37,865.04
ANDERSON ERICKSON DAIRY
milk 2,008.38
EMS DETERGENT SERVICES
supplies..... 548.54
FEDERAL FIRE EQUIPMENT
CO, inspection 657.00
MARTIN BROTHERS
food..... 11,736.72
PAN-O-GOLD BAKING CO
bread 471.42
VISA, supplies..... 160.00
WRIGHT, EARL & SHELLEE
lunch refund 72.05
Fund Number 61..... 15,654.11

Legal

Northwood Anchor

People's Right To Know

Notice

Public Notice

Notice Is Hereby Given: That at 9:00 o'clock a.m., at the Board of Supervisors Room, Courthouse, Northwood, Iowa, on the 2nd day of October, 2023, the Board of Supervisors of Worth County will hold a public hearing. The purpose of the hearing is to approve the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to re-zone the property located at 4832 Wheelerwood Road, Northwood, IA 50459 from 'AG' (Agricultural) to 'I-L' (Light Industrial). At the hearing any interested person may file written objections or comments and may be heard orally with respect to the subject matter of the hearing.

Jacki A. Backhaus
County Auditor

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IDOE releases school spring assessment results

The Iowa Department of Education recently released new spring 2023 assessment results from the Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress for students in grades 3-11. The overall results show little improvement over last year with significant proficiency gaps between certain groups of students.

"Iowa prioritized keeping schools open and students in the classroom throughout the pandemic, and our students experienced minimal COVID-related learning loss compared to the nation. At the same time, statewide assessment results show that overall student proficiency is not significantly different from last year and concerning achievement gaps persist, especially among students who are English learners, students with disabilities, and students eligible for free or reduced-price lunch," said Iowa Department of Education Director McKenzie Snow. "Together with educators and families, we will work to better serve students most in need of support and to accelerate learning so all students can succeed. This crucial data will guide the Department's development of targeted solutions to improve student achievement statewide."

State-level results from the 2022-23 Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP) show relatively little to no growth across most grades in English language arts with some grade levels up a percentage point and other grades down a percentage point. Sixth grade results increased the most from last year, going up four percentage points.

Locally, at schools in Worth County, as students went up in grades, their proficiency levels also impoved. That includes both Northwood-Kensett and Central Springs schools.

Exceptions included last year's CS fifth grade, down from 82.6% to 79.6%; N-K's seventh grade, down from 82.8% to 74.2%; and both school's juniors, down from 80.4% to 79.2% at CS and from 79.5% to 65% at N-K.

The largest increases between school years showed the fourth graders at CS up from 69.8% to 88.4% and N-K's sixth graders up from 75.6% to 95%.

(It should be noted that with smaller class sizes at local schools, some of the shifts from year to year can be attributed to just one or two students not scoring as proficient, or change in the number of students in classroom that were present to test between school years.)

Mathematics scores showed some small improvement across all grade levels. Grades 3, 6, 7 and 9 had a three-percentage point increase and grade 4 had a four-percentage point increase in the percent of students scoring proficient or above when compared to last year. Grades 8 and 10 increased five percentage points and grade 5 increased six percentage points. Eleventh grade results increased the most, at 7 percentage points.

Local data showed more fluctuation in math scores between the last two school years.

Last year's sixth grade class was down from 79.6% to 78.6% at CS and from 80.5% to 75% at N-K. The seventh grade class at N-K dropped from 86.2% to 67.7%. The CS eighth grade went from 69.8% to 66.1%. The N-K freshmen class went from 73.7% to 73.2%. The junior class went from 64.1% to 62.5%.

The largest improvements in proficiency included the CS junior class, up from 75% to 85.4%. At N-K that was the fifth grade class, up fifth grade class, up from 71.4% to 91.2%.

The data also show significant proficiency gaps between overall student results and those of certain student subgroups. Students who are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch, students with disabilities and students who are English learners performed much lower than their classmates with differences of 15, 41 and 45 percentage points, respectively.

The ISASP is administered each spring and is the general summative accountability assessment in Iowa that meets the requirements of the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The assessment reflects what's being taught in Iowa classrooms and how students are progressing toward grade-level expectations outlined in Iowa's academic standards. Importantly, the ISASP helps teachers understand where students are succeeding and where they may need more help. Iowa's state summative assessment participation rate was 99 percent in 2022-23, 98 percent in 2021-22 and 98 percent in 2020-21, ensuring that the results yielded a true picture of student performance.



A late night visitor

This deer was one of a pair that was spotted behind the Anchor building late one night last week. The pair appeared to be grazing on the lawn near the downtown alley before the Anchor photographer inadvertently scared them away and presumably back towards the woods to the south.









Blood Drive

September 14 was a busy day at Northwood's Community Center, where the Northwood Lions Club sponsored a blood drive for the LifeServe Blood Center. Lions Club Blood Drive Director Bob Perry reported that 26 units of blood were donated – "a good day."

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Conversation is a Two-Way Street



Few people these days seem capable of engaging in a genuine conversation where there is the reciprocal give and take of speaking and listening. Most of us take conversations to be opportunities for monologues punctuated by boring interruptions, those interruptions being the other person's turn to say something. Remember that we have two ears and only one mouth, and that is roughly the proportion in which we should listen and speak. Listening takes real effort; it is not simply keeping quiet, but actively working to understand the other person. As Steven Covey has nicely put it, "Seek first to understand, then to be understood." How many of us ever actually have a real conversation with God, where we stop to genuinely listen to what He is trying to tell us? Of course we aren't likely to hear Him audibly, but He does speak to us, in many strange and wonderful ways.

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me."
– New K.J.V. John 10:27

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Cook Bookin'

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



by Sandy Olson

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

I've known Sherrie Hansen for a lot years as the proprietor of the Blue Belle Inn B&B and Tea House in St. Ansgar, Iowa. I have enjoyed many meals there from the mystery dinners she would host to lunches that were beautifully created and presented. Her menus would change with the seasons but there were usually customer favorites that kept appearing often enough to keep people returning to her tables. Sherrie has now retired from the hospitality profession but remains very much on the scene as an author. I did not realize that, while cooking, maintaining the inn and creating recipes from her extensive background she was also writing novels. But, as she herself will admit, she is still best known for her cooking so she has compiled her favorite recipes into a thick, spiral-bound cookbook titled "Blue Belle Inn B&B and Tea House Cookbook" (2023, Blue Belle Books). Between the covers we find not only her special cuisine but excerpts from several of her novels…a taste of both her passions!

Baked Omelet Roll

6 eggs
1 cup milk
1/2 cup flour
Salt, pepper or other seasonings as wished
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
1 cups diced ham, Spam®, or cooked ground sausage, warm

Whisk all except the cheese and meat until smooth. Pour into a well-greased cake pan or 9x13-inch glass dish. Bake at 450 degrees F. for 20 minutes or until the eggs are set. Sprinkle with cheese and meat and roll up omelet in the pan starting with the short edge. Place seam side down on serving platter and cover with foil. Let rest five minutes before serving. Cut into 1-inch slices. Serves 8

Corn Chowder

8 slices bacon OR salt pork, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
1 large onion AND 4 cloves garlic, chopped
2 cups potatoes, diced into 1/2-inch cubes
1/2 cup diced celery
1 bay leaf AND 1 teaspoon dried thyme
2 cups frozen corn
3 cups chicken broth
1 teaspoon sea salt
1 1/2 cups half and half
1/2 teaspoon white pepper

Fry bacon over low heat until crisp. Add onion and garlic and cook until soft. Add celery, potatoes, bay leaf, thyme, broth and 1 cup water. Cook until the potatoes are done. Add corn; heat 5 minutes. DO NOT BOIL. Salt and pepper to taste. SHERRIE'S NOTE: I add another bit of chicken base paste to taste. You can also add cooked, cubed chicken to make it ever heartier. Serves 6-8. SANDY'S NOTE: begin the soup in a Dutch oven or other heavy pan large enough to hold all the ingredients.

Devil's Food Cake with Hasty Caramel Frosting

1 devil's food cake baked in a 9x13-inch pan
1/2 cup margarine
1/4 cup milk
1 cup firmly-packed brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 1/2 cups sifted powdered sugar

To make the frosting, melt the margarine in a saucepan. Blend in brown sugar and salt. Cook on low for 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Add milk. Continue stirring until it comes to a boil. Remove from heat. Blend in powdered sugar and vanilla and mix well. Spread over baked cake right away.

I'm sure many people miss being able to enjoy a meal at the Blue Belle Inn. By using the cookbook they can recreate their favorites at home. The cookbook as well as Sherrie's novels are available for purchase at http://sherriehansen.wordpress.com And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society



Class of 1958

The class of 1959 held its 65th class reunion at Tequila's on Founders Day. Those attending were (front row) Sharon (Nelson) Moretz, Beverly (Loberg) Wignes, (back row) Eileen (Liljedahl) Synder, Phylis (Gaskill) Hrubetz, Jerry Hopperstad and Harvey Patterson.



Class of 1959

The class of 1959 held a reunion at the Minnesota-Iowa Golf Couse in Elmore, Minnesota. Those attending were (from left) Roger Holland, Elton Rohda, Mervin and Roslyn (Goltz) Hauge, Arlyce (Johnson) Holland, Art Rittenhouse, Janice (Weiler) Hopperstad, Jane (Butler) Riddeo and Joyce (Erich) Lappe.

Twenties Club meets on September 11

Twenties Club met on Monday, September 11 with 15 members and one guest, Margie Johnson, at the Olson Community Room with Becky Hickman, president, calling the meeting to order.

Becky Tews, secretary, did roll call and read the minutes from the last meeting. Delores Knudson, treasurer, gave the treasure's report. Delores reimbursed herself $40 for printing of the program books and postage.

Old Business: A card was sent around for members to sign for Rosie Kruger, associate member. A card last month had been sent to the Sharyl Nestor family signed by members.

New Business: The Twenties Club will be delivering Meals on Wheels on September 18-22: Monday – Becky Hickman, Delores Knudson and Sandy Olson. Tuesday – Becky Hickman and Becky Tews. Wednesday – Sandy Olson and Carol Kragenbrink and Connie and Jeanne Bruggeman. Thursday – Gloria Fallgatter and Carol Kragenbrink and Jeanne Bruggeman and Connie Hogen. Friday – Susan Cherny and Carol Kragenbrink and Delores Knudson and Becky Tews.

There was a motion to adjourn by Connie Hogen with a second by Sharyl Ferley.

Sandy Hyde and Gloria Fallgatter gave the program. This year's program is DIY or Do It Yourself. Each month teams will have to come up with a DIY program. Gloria and Sandy's program was on the history of 20's Club. The club began on September 11, 1933 and celebrating 90 years. They gave information on the many different programs, mystery trips and also how many years members have been involved in the club. The members celebrated the 90th anniversary with cake and coffee.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 9 at 7 p.m.

Worth County 4-H'er receives scholarship at Iowa State Fair

Over 3,200 static 4-H exhibits created by 2,372 youth exhibitors were displayed in the Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building at the 2023 Iowa State Fair.

Youth showcased cumulative learning projects in agriculture and natural resources; food and nutrition; home improvement; consumer management; child development; science, engineering and technology; visual arts; photography; personal development; clothing and fashion; and sewing and needle arts.

"Each exhibit is an outgrowth of year-long project area work done by the 4-H member," said Gail Castillo, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach 4-H exhibits building superintendent. "The exhibits displayed at the Iowa State Fair celebrate the educational and personal accomplishments of our Iowa 4-H members and are a way for them to share what they've learned with the public."



Sydney Schilling is pictured with ISU president Wendy Wintersteen at the Iowa State Fair.

Amongst the top certificates and awards at the Iowa State Fair was Sydney Schilling, who received an Iowa State University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Scholarship.

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Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Savvy Senior

Does Medicare cover second medical opinions

Dear Savvy Senior,

Does Medicare cover second medical opinions? The doctor I currently see thinks I need a knee replacement, but I would like to get some other treatment options before I proceed. What can you tell me?

Limping Larry

Dear Larry,

Getting a second medical opinion from another doctor is a smart idea that may offer you a fresh perspective and additional options for treating your knee so you can make a more informed decision. Or, if the second doctor agrees with your current one, it can give you some reassurance.

Yes, Medicare does pay for second opinions if your current doctor has recommended surgery, or some other major diagnostic or therapeutic procedure.

If you're enrolled in original Medicare, 80 percent of the costs for second medical opinions are covered under Part B (you or your Medicare supplemental policy are responsible for the other 20 percent), and you don't need an order or referral from your doctor to get one. Medicare will even pay 80 percent for a third opinion, if the first two differ.

Most Medicare Advantage plans cover second opinions too, but you may need to follow certain steps to get it paid for. For example, some plans will only help pay for a second opinion if you have a referral from your primary care doctor, and/or they may require that you can only use a doctor in their network. If you have a Medicare Advantage plan, you'll need to call it to find out their rules.

Finding Another Doctor

To find another doctor for a second opinion you can either ask your current doctor for a name or two, or ask another doctor you trust for a referral, or you can find one on your own.

Whatever route you choose, it's best to go with a doctor that's affiliated with a different practice or hospital than your original doctor. Hospitals and practices can be set in their ways when it comes to treatments and are likely to offer similar advice.

If you choose to find one on your own, use Medicare's Care Compare tool at Medicare.gov/care-compare. This will let you find doctors by name or medical specialty in your area that accept original Medicare. You can also get this information by calling Medicare at 800-633-4227. Or, if you're enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan, call or visit your plan's website for a list of candidates.

After you've got a few doctors names, there are a number of free online resources to help you research them like HealthGrades.com and Vitals.com.

After you find another doctor, before you get a second opinion, you'll need to have your current doctor's office send your medical records ahead to the second doctor, or you may have to pick them up and deliver them yourself. That way, you won't have to repeat the tests you already had. But, if the second doctor wants you to have additional tests performed as a result of your visit, Medicare will help pay for these tests too.

For more information, see the Medicare publication "Getting a Second Opinion Before Surgery" at Medicare.gov/publications – type in 02173 in the Keyword or Product number box.

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

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Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

I dropped my gym membership.

Those memberships are hard to cancel. How did you do it?

I gave my too-weak notice.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. While narrating a boat tour, I pointed out evening primrose with its lemon-scented yellow flowers opening in the evening and remaining partially open until noon, especially on cloudy days. A popular song said, "Primrose Lane, life's a holiday on Primrose Lane." I've always thought my hometown's streets should include a Lois Lane and an Either Way.

I watched the others in my large group walk chopsticks across their plates. My fellow board members and I had ordered by the number from a menu and passed our meals around so everyone could place a bit of each onto their plates. It was a cooperative buffet. I used a fork.

I told a couple of stories at the delightful Farming of Yesteryear in Kiester. The tractor parade had ripe tractors and some that were green. I watched sorghum making. The plant was cut and the seed head and leaves were removed, leaving a long sorghum cane stick which was fed into a mechanism called a mill, similar to the wringer mechanism of an antique washing machine. This sorghum press was powered by a horse attached to a long pole. As the horse walked slowly in circles, it caused the equipment to squeeze the juice from the sticks. The juice was boiled over a fire and the impurities skimmed off, causing the juice to thicken to the consistency of syrup before bottling. I was told sweet sorghum syrup is also known as molasses, but it's not the bitter-tasting blackstrap molasses made from sugar cane. Grain sorghum (also called milo) is shorter and used as livestock feed. Its seeds are round, reddish and resemble BBs, and are used as a filler in birdseed mixes where they go uneaten.

I've learned

Being out of style never goes out of style.

Life is much easier today. When I was a young man, I'd have to rip the phone from the wall to drop it into a toilet.

It's difficult to look refined while drinking gravy.

Five out of every four people are bad at math.

The turn signals never work on shopping carts.

Exit signs are on the way out.

I told stories in Yuma, Arizona. It was so hot, people stopped telling me it was a dry heat.

Bad jokes department

Will glass coffins ever become popular? Remains to be seen.

The chiropractor's family was well-adjusted.

What do you call a potato without any feet? A potato.

Yellowjackets need a bank, too

I attended the grand opening of a bank. A great number of yellowjackets attended as well. The wasps were attracted to the delicious sweet rolls that were served outdoors. The yellowjacket colony had stopped production of new wasps and the staff was laid off. The workers were left on their own, trying to establish their fastballs. They can sting multiple times. A couple of days later, I visited the Farmers' Market. So did the yellowjackets.

Nature notes

Flickers migrated through the yard. The handsome brown woodpeckers with a white rump fed upon ants on the ground. I saw many flower flies mimicking bees or wasps and lots of flying ants, and watched American kestrels perched on utility wires. Falcons have small bony protuberances in their nostrils that baffle air flow and allow them to breathe while flying at high speeds. I saw leopard frogs hopping across the road. They live in wet meadows and open fields near wetlands. In the fall, they move to the bottoms of lakes and ponds to spend the winter.

Male and female mourning doves look similar. An adult male is slightly more colorful than a female, with a pale rosy breast versus the tannish female breast. A male's head has a bluish crown and nape, the female's is brownish.

Bumble bees don't maintain colonies over the winter. Each new queen mates and then finds a safe place (a small hole in the ground or another protected spot just big enough for her) to hibernate until spring. The rest of the colony dies.

Skunks make a shallow hole surrounded by a ring of loosened soil on the lawn. Chunks of sod ripped up and flipped over are the work of raccoons. They're hunting for grubs, earthworms and other soil insects.

Meeting adjourned

"I've been searching for ways to heal myself, and I've found that kindness is the best way."–Lady Gaga.

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Fit to print...

Letter to the Editor-
Lighting the park with holiday cheer

Dear Editor,

Yes, I am thinking about Christmas! Or should I say I want YOU to start thinking about Christmas decorations!

The last couple of years we have gotten a very nice display going for Christmas decorations in Swensrud Park, as I am hoping you have all seen. A BIG THANKS to the City of Northwood and WCDA for making this happen! We would like to make it even bigger by getting the community involved.

We would like to offer a space in the park including electrical outlet for your display! We want businesses, organizations or even families to get involved!

There are a few guidelines that MUST be followed:

1 - You must register your display with Teresa George-Zenz since she has the map of current decorations and locations of the outlets.

2- Please describe or explain the display when you register to make sure it is appropriate and fits our setting.

3 - YOU will be responsible for putting up, taking down and maintaining your display.

4 - YOU will be responsible for storing you display each year.

5 - The City WILL NOT be responsible for putting up, taking down, maintain or storing your display.

There are limited spaces available, so let Teresa know soon.

Your displays do not have to be commercial grade. You can make something up or buy it at a store. Just remember it can get windy so make it sturdy.

We light up the park the day before Thanksgiving and we don't start putting displays up until the first full week of November. Teresa will coordinate with you when you can put up your display and take it down.

Get creative and start planning as Christmas season is just two months away!

Please contact me either by cell phone 641-390-1899 or email tess1864@gmail.com.

Merry Christmas,
Teresa George-Zenz



This display was put in place last year by the Northwood Lions Club, dedicated to Leila Gangstad and her late husband Lowell. The Lions Club have worked to encourage the City of Northwood to offer spaces flike theirs, for Swensrud Park displays by businesses, groups and families.

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Early Files

100 years ago

September 12, 1923

The special election called for the purpose of voting on the proposition of purchasing the old high school property on Central Avenue and equipping it for Town Hall purposes at cost not exceeding $12,000 was held yesterday and carried. The Town Council may use this building for an assembly hall, auditorium, public hall, public library, restroom, armory, council chamber and offices and fire and police station.

A reception was tendered the teachers in the Kensett High School auditorium Monday evening. A goodly number of parents were present to enjoy the good program. Mr. Gray and Mr. Bliss gave interesting short talks and Supt. Norem gave a talk outlining the aims and purposes of the teaching force for the year.

The distinction of being the first woman in Worth County to take out naturalization papers belongs to Mrs. Thea Bertina Nape, wife of O.O. Nape, of Bristol Township. Mrs. Nape was granted full citizenship by the naturalization officer at the local courthouse last Friday. Mr. Nape was naturalized last February.

With clear skies and ideal weather conditions with the possible exception of being a little cool, the Worth County Fair opened today with prospects good for the best attendance and program that has ever been held. The gates were opened at an early hour and a stream of livestock and other exhibits have been passing the checkers.

Final arrangements have been made with Prof. Hughes of Ames for the tour of the Extension fields on Monday, September 17. About 20 carloads have entered for the trip. Considering the good roads, time of year and the advantages of seeing the results of many years of experimental work at the station, this trip should be of interest to all.

75 years ago

September 16, 1948

Arleigh Holstad, who has been associated with his father, E.J. Holstad, in operation of the Home Oil Co. in Northwood the past six years, has bought the Harber Oil Co., at Kensett. He took possession Monday.

A pole of the electric power line of the P.G. & E. Co., along Highway 65 at the Christiansen farm two miles south of town, was broken off and the high tension wires snapped when an automobile in which four young men were riding went out of control and off the pavement at about 1 a.m. Sunday morning.

One of Northwood's pioneer residents answered the last call when Oscar Rustad, 83, a member of one of the earliest families to settle in the vicinity, slept away at his home in southeast Northwood.

The ceremony of veiling the local honor roll board will be held at 3 p.m., it is announced by the committee of ladies in charge of the event. A special invitation is extended to all gold star mothers to be present. The program will be held on the grounds of Central Park, near the honor roll, and will include a speaker and other numbers, with music by the local school band.

A contract will be led by the state highway commission at Ames, on November 9, for grading and building 15 culverts and bridges on Highway No. 105 between Northwood and Lake Mills. This will be the first step toward hard-surfacing of this highway.

Mrs. George W. Cramer, whose husband is pastor of the Evangelical United Brethren church at Bolan, died at their home in Bolan. She would have been 60 years of age on September 19. Cancer is given as the cause of her death.

With the exception of last Friday morning when a reading of 42 degrees was recorded, the temperatures in this vicinity have been like mid summer during the past week, reaching a high of 89 degrees.

50 years ago

September 20, 1973

Milo and Buck Pangburn, rural Northwood will hold their annual Duroc and Spot hog sale at the Worth County Fairgrounds in Northwood on Saturday, beginning at 8 a.m. They will have about 100 head on sale.

A hard hitting Viking football team took control of the Green Devils football field Friday night as they defeated Osage 36-0. The Vikings "lost the handle" six times during the game but recovered four of their fumbles and stopped Osage from capitalizing on the two they recovered. Scoring began in the first quarter with a 65 yard drive, topped with consecutive 20 and 10 yard runs by Jeff Sietsema for the touchdown. Frank Orth ran the conversion to make the score 8-0.

Julie Jaspers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jaspers, rural Northwood, has been selected as one of nine cheerleaders at NIACC. Cheerleaders will perform at all football, basketball and wrestling events. Miss Jaspers is a sophomore at NIACC.

The Osage Green Devils got back at the Vikings Monday night be defeating the freshman-sophomore team 16-12. The Vikings scored first after Dale Butler recovered a fumble on the Devils' 15 yard line to make the score 6-0. Osage came right back to score to end the first quarter 8-6.

Ole Mickelson established his Clock and Jewelry store in Kensett in 1893, and it carried such items as a fine line of jewelry, gems and imported china. Berniece Branstad's antique shop is now in the building.

LeAnn Struck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Struck, Rt. 2, Northwood, Iowa, was wed to Rick Zerck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Zerck, Albert Lea, at 7:30 p.m. on September 1. The Rev. Gerald F. Brown performed the double ring ceremony at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Myrtle.

25 years ago

September 23, 1998

Barton Township farmer Dean Meyer adjusted the cutting bar on his John Deere 9610 combine in preparation for the 1998 fall harvest, which began in earnest here last week. The big green combine cuts a 30-foot swath, enough to combine 12 rows of soybeans or pick eight rows of corn in one pass.

Little 10-month-old Shelby Low likes to tag along after big sister Britney, 4, whenever she can, and sometimes Britney throws in a little hug just for the fun of it. They are the daughters of Rocky and Connie Low of Northwood.

Chris Estes, a 1995 graduate of Northwood-Kensett High School, is a member of the Cornnell College football team. Estes, the son of Ken and Connie Estes of Northwood, is a senior biochemistry major at the Mount Vernon college.

Laura Meyerhofer, Mason City, and Dan Block, Northwood, announce their engagement and approaching marriage. Dan is the son of Carroll and Jan Block, Thompson. He is employed with the Worth County Conservation as the Worth County Naturalist. Laura is the daughter of Dave and Brenda Meyerhofer, Riceville. She is employed as a medical records secretary at the North Iowa Eye Clinic. A February 27, 1999, wedding is planned at First Lutheran Church, Northwood.

Northwood-Kensett's Jennie Johnson and Heather Perkins blocked the volleyball back into Lake Mills' court for a point during the second game of last Thursday's match on the Bulldog court.

Northwood-Kensett tailback Jack Johnson (41) outran North Kossuth's Tony Zabka (2) and two other Cougar defenders for a long gain on this first-quarter carry in N-K's 46-6 victory here Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Clagett, former residents of Kensett, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the Hereford House in Kansas City on September 14, 1998.

10 years ago

September 18, 2013

Downtown Northwood was once again crowded as Central Avenue, and a couple of side streets, were filled with nearly 200 classic and unique cars for the Aristocrats Car Club show held during Founders Day on Saturday. The car show, pleasant fall weather, entertainment, food, vendors, open houses and more combined for one of the more well-attended Founders Day celebrations.

Northwood's popular attraction - the North Star Corn Maze - is back for its ninth year. "We took a break for a couple of years but, because we've had so many requests, we brought it back," said Bryn Pangburn.

A number of children and their parents peruse and purchase some of the offerings made available during last week's Elementary Book Fair. Each year the Northwood-Kensett Elementary media center, for a few days, becomes a makeshift book store, raising funds for future media center supplies and equipment. The annual book fair also coincides with the school's open house Back to School night, which was held last Thursday.

As the school year was just getting underway, Northwood-Kensett once again played host to the fall quiz bowl. The event includes teams from area schools competing to see who can correctly answer a variety of questions faster than students from competing schools. Managers of the fall quiz bow are Jayde Hapgood and Mary Stoneking.

Rose Fredericks puts a coat of paint on the exterior of the Northwood Police Department building in preparation of Northwood's Founders Day celebration. Fredericks had dedicated hours over the course of the spring and summer to maintaining Northwood's landscape, including planning, pruning and planting. Northwood's residents and visitors have appreciated her efforts.

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Obituaries

Sharyl Nestor

Sharyl J. (Knutson) Nestor, 80, of Northwood, died of complications from non-Hodgkin lymphoma, surrounded by family and loved ones on Saturday, September 2, 2023, at Methodist Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota. A celebration of her wonderfully lived life will take place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, October 21, at First Lutheran Church, 309 Ninth Street North, Northwood.

The family will greet friends and relatives from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, October 20, at Conner Colonial Chapel, 1008 First Ave. South, Northwood. Visitation will continue on Saturday, one hour prior to the church service.

The family requests no flowers, please. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may take the form of a donation in Sharyl's memory to one of her favorite causes - the Worth County Historical Society (worthhistory.org) or the band program at Augustana University (augie.edu/giving-augustana).

Sharyl Joy was born on June 16, 1943, in Mason City, the daughter of Cornell A. and Ila T. (Amundson) Knutson. She grew up on the Knutson family farm in rural Northwood, and graduated from Northwood-Kensett High School in 1961. She continued her education at Augustana University in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, graduating in 1965.

She held three primary jobs throughout her life - medical technologist, Mom/Granny and as a Certified Financial Planner for 20+ years at Ameriprise Financial in Minneapolis. "Nestor the investor" consistently achieved top sales awards and helped countless clients plan for their financial futures.

Sharyl was a vibrant symphony, with each note representing her remarkable passions and spirited personality. Her love of music began early and continued throughout her melodic life. A member of her high school and college bands, she also sang and played french horn in multiple community and church choirs and orchestras. While traveling, she often took in local performances, and she loved absorbing music of all types. Her musical adventures solidified her enduring love affair



SHARYL NESTOR

with classical and choral music – especially organ and french horn selections.

As a proud descendant of Norway, she embarked on 14 adventures to her ancestral homeland, where she served as a family ambassador, tour guide and planner, investigator, genealogy expert, grand entertainer and tourist while also connecting with new relatives and friends on each voyage.

Sharyl's wanderlust took her on hundreds of escapades both near and far with friends and family. In addition to her Norwegian travels, she explored Scandinavia and much of Europe, including multiple trips to Germany, Spain and Italy. She loved the San Francisco Bay Area and delighted in the tranquil beauty, flora and fauna of the Boundary Waters National Canoe Area Wilderness.

But it was through the language of food that Sharyl truly spoke to hearts. The anticipation of new culinary adventures made her giddy - eagerly researching and exploring restaurants, recipes or new food trends while savoring the flavors of old favorites as well as new and distant places. She reveled in the superb grocery options of the Twin Cities and the annual new food offerings of the Minnesota State Fair. Her culinary prowess extended to her home farm kitchen where she cooked and shared meals that nourished both body and soul, continuously bringing friends and family together with love, laughter and, with any luck, single malt scotch and cigars for dessert.

Sharyl's knack for uniting kindred spirits was second to none. With a quick wit and an uncanny ability to speak the unvarnished truth, Sharyl was akin to vinegar - she possessed a sharpness that cut through life's complexities, but was often (not always) the secret ingredient that was needed in the moment.

A true people person, Sharyl's magnetic charisma drew friends and companions from all walks of life. An instigator and leader of many packs, she was the catalyst behind oodles of gatherings, from high school, college and family reunions to meetups with her many circles of friends, but especially her quilting group, Augie Summit Sisters and AVAs. She enjoyed combining her passion for genealogy and her strong faith by serving her community as treasurer of the Worth County Historical Society and through her various committee and finance work at First Lutheran Church.

In her roles as a loving and silly Mom and Granny, Sharyl's heart knew no bounds. She welcomed her children's friends as her own and brought joy to her grandchildren's lives through unforgettable adventures, including travel, farm tours and her annual birthday visits to Michigan.

Sharyl loved sharing her initials with her favorite Minnesota Public Radio station, KSJN and getting new ideas from her favorite PBS cooking shows. She held a deep appreciation for Mr. Rogers' gentle wisdom and approach to handling feelings, a legacy she passed on to her children. Above all, Sharyl's zest for life and penchant for humor were her signature gifts to those fortunate enough to know her. In her sharp, spirited way, she was a beacon of light and laughter, forever cherished in the hearts of those she touched.

Grateful and blessed for sharing her life are her children, Andrew (Elisabete) Nestor and Joy Nestor; beloved grandchildren, Emily and Christopher Nestor; brother, L. Timothy (Roxanne Hughes) Knutson; sister, Rachel (John) Nordstrom; sister-in-law, Twyla Knutson; godchildren, Ann Tschetter Kelly, Matthew MacLean and Jonathan Knutson; as well as cherished nieces, nephews, extended family members and many, many friends.

Greeting her in Heaven are her parents, Cornell and Ila Knutson; brother, Gary J. Knutson; sister-in-law, Jeanette Knutson; nephews, Daniel and Aaron Nordstrom; and beloved aunts, uncles, relatives and friends.

Virginia 'Babe' Ingersoll

Virginia "Babe" (Dilts) Ingersoll passed away on Monday, August 28, 2023. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, September 29, 2023, at Bethany Lutheran Church in Kensett with Rev. Linda Johnson-Prestholt officiating. Visitation will be on Friday at the church, one hour before the service. Burial will take place at Kensett Cemetery.

Babe was born to Ida (Hanson) and Gordon Dilts on June 6, 1926, in Swaledale, Iowa. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church and graduated from Kensett High School in 1944.

Babe married Floyd Ingersoll in 1946 and they made their home in Kensett, raising four daughters. Some of Babe's employment includd Marshall & Swift, Mode O'Day, Deluxe, operated the Derby Gas Station and lunch counter in Kensett and retired from AC Nielsen.

Babe is survived by her daughters, Pamela, Vera (John) Hagen, Holly Nelson and Rochelle "Shelly"; granddaughter, Tiffany (Chris) Kragnes; best cousin-in-law, Don Nappe; special cousin and helper, Steven Nappe; sister-in-law, Wilma Ingersoll; and many nephews, nieces and cousins.

Those who passed before Babe are her husband, Floyd Ingersoll; brother and sister-in-law, Harold and Jo Dilts; special neighbor, cousin and friend, Carol Nappe; and several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

Babe loved her family, friends and cat, Chloe and will be missed by all.*

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Ag Fair teaches students about farm safety, industries

Northwood-Kensett and Central Springs third grade students once again spent their morning learning about life on the farm, with a focus on how to stay safe on the farm and how emergency responders help people. The annual Ag Fair took place on Wednesday, September 6 at the Worth County Fairgrounds.

In addition to farm safety, they also learned about livestock, wildlife and products made as a part of the agriculture industry.

The morning of learning comes during the annual ag fair organized by Worth County Farm Bureau, which involves several other local groups and volunteers.

This year's ag fair began with a look at vehicles and equipment used by the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company, including fire and ambulance units.

NVFC members led a tour of the department's specialized rescue equipment, a rescue vehicle, an ambulance and a fire engine, discussing how the vehicles and various equipment might be used at an emergency scene on a farm.

The students then moved inside the Livestock Arena to view a number of presentations and demonstrations.

Heaven Walker, naturalist with Worth County Conservation, talked about animals in the area and how the different work together and what happens if they are out of balance.

Jordan Lee, from Heartland Power, presented information on electrical safety, including the danger of working and playing near power lines.

Sarah Tweeten talked about the various products that are made from corn and soybeans.

Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist, assisted by Jace Lindberg, discussed and demonstrated the dangers of becoming trapped in grain containers and bins, and the best ways to safely escape.

Erik Butler and Becky Hanson, from Worth County Soil Conservation, used a model of farmland to share information and display the effects of soil runoff and erosion.

Farm Bureau board member Ron Davidson, assisted by student volunteer Jackson Faber, explained how a combine works, how to stay safe around them and gave the students a look inside the machine's cab.

Also on hand were a number of farm animals for the third graders to learn about and interact with, presented by N-K and Central Springs FFA and Worth County 4-H members.

Ady Peterson talked about poultry, and gave the third graders a hands-on experience with some chicks. Macy Thorson taught the younger students about beef cows. Melissa Moretz and Khloe and Kendall Kruger brought them face to snout with some young pigs and taught them about some of the food products that come from swine. Loghan Nelson taught them about sheep. Mackensy Tomlinson and Ava Woltzen gave them a look at a visiting horse. Zach Heiken presented information and a hands-on experience with dairy cattle.

Other Northwood-Kensett and Central Springs FFA and Vocational Ag students also helped during the ag fair. They led small groups of third grade students to the various stations, helped set up and take down and helped serve and cook the lunch, which was provided by the Worth County Cattlemen.













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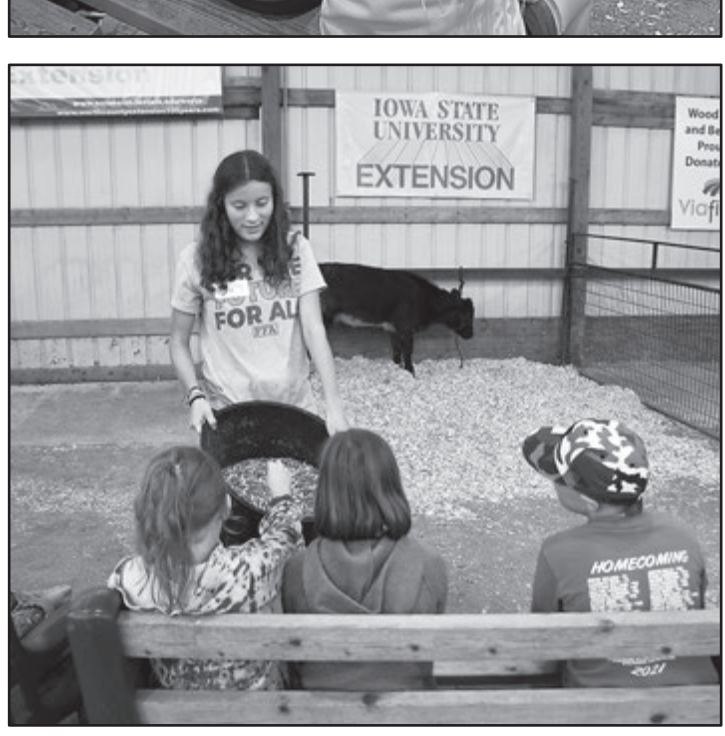




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National Farm Safety and Health Week- 'No one can take your place'

"No one can take your place", this year's theme for National Farm Safety and Health Week, is fitting for our agricultural community! The 2021 data for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics indicates that the agricultural sector is still the most dangerous in America with 453 fatalities. Fall harvest time can be one of the busiest and most dangerous seasons of the year for the agriculture industry. Now is a great time to slow down, think twice and be safe while completing the busy harvest season.

The third week of September has been recognized as National Farm Safety and Health Week. This annual promotion initiated by the National Safety Council has been proclaimed as such by each sitting U.S. President since Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1944. National Farm Safety and Health Week is led by the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety (NECAS), the agricultural partner of the National Safety Council. Check out the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety website to learn more about National Farm Safety and Healthy Week 2023.

Each day during National Farm Safety & Health Week, AgriSafe and Progressive Agriculture Safety Day Program will host webinars related to the daily topic of focus. Registration links are available on the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety website, online at www.necasag.org.

Daily Topics of Focus are as follows:

Monday, September 18, 2023 - Equipment and Rural Roadway Safety

Tuesday, September 19, 2023 - Health and Wellness

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 - Priority Populations

Thursday, September 21, 2023 - Confined Spaces

Friday, September 22, 2023 - Brain Health

Let's all take time to celebrate September 17-23 as National Farm Safety and Health Week.

Find more information on the daily topics in the NFSAHW toolkit, online at umash.umn.edu/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/NFSHW23-Promotional-Toolkit.pdf.



Safety tips for grain handling equipment

Harvest season can be hectic, but it is well worth taking the time to consider safety when operating grain handling equipment. Hazards abound when handling grain, such as equipment entanglement, grain entrapment and engulfment and dust explosions, among others.

Agricultural confined-space related cases of injuries and fatalities saw a dramatic rise in 2022, including grain entrapment cases that rose nearly 45%, based on Purdue University's annual report. Iowa had more cases of grain entrapment than any other state at nine total in 2022. Grain handling equipment.

Nearly all of these cases involved grain flow issues due to grain spoilage, which means that improved grain management could prevent cases in the future. This series aims to provide useful information to help farmers keep their grain in good condition and keep them and their families safe around grain.

This fall, lower your risk of injury by using a safety checklist.

• Check that all exposed moving machinery parts have guards, shields or cages installed and are in good condition to prevent entanglement, including auger flighting, conveyers, belts and power-take-off (PTO) components.

• Don't wear loose or baggy clothing, tie back hair and remove dangling drawstrings and jewelry that could get pulled into moving parts.

• Lock-out the power to augers, conveyers, belts and PTO components before performing maintenance or replacing parts so they can't be accidentally turned on.

• Stay clear of flowing grain, which can trap a person knee-deep in a few seconds and can completely submerge them in less than 20 seconds.

• Work from outside of the bin whenever possible and use the buddy system and safe bin entry procedures when a bin must be entered.

• Check that everyone knows how to de-energize grain loading and unloading equipment and lock-out the power sources so that grain moving equipment can't be turned on while someone is inside of a bin.

• Use hazard signage and teach kids and unexperienced people to stay out of stored grain, including bins, piles and grain transport vehicles.

• Keep the grain vacuum nozzle away from the area below your feet and keep an eye on the angle of the grain surface as you are removing grain. To prevent grain flow, the grain angle should be less than the grain's angle of repose, which is around 21 degrees for corn and 23 degrees for soybeans.

• Check that fire extinguishers are easily accessible at the grain storage site.

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Worth County Farm Bureau & Teresa Stehn, Outreach Coordinator, would like to send out some special thank yous for help or donations at the recent Ag Fair/Farm Safety held for Northwood-Kensett and Central Springs Third-Grade. Without all of your help this would not be possible.

To the Worth County Fair Board for use of the buildings

Presenters: Northwood Fire & Rescue; Heartland Power Cooperative, Jordan Lee - electrical safety; Mackensy Tomlinson and Ava Woltzen - horse; Ady Peterson - poultry; Khloe & Kendall Kruger, Melissa Moretz and Ray Gaskill - swine; Loghan Nelson - sheep; Macy Thorson - beef; Erik Butler, Becky Hanson - Worth County Soil Conservation; Zach Heiken and Steven Medlang for providing the dairy cow; Sarah Tweeten - corn & soybeans; Ron Davidson and Jackson Faber - combine; Dennis Johnson and Jace Lindberg - grain safety; Heaven Walker, Worth County Conservation; and Viafield for the donation of the wood chips and corn.

Special Thanks to Marty Cotter and N-K FFA students and Derek Straube and CS FFA students for their help with setup, tear down, cleanup, kitchen help and group leaders and Worth County Cattlemen for grilling.



Ron Davidson, Worth County Farm Bureau board member, is pictured at the recent ag fair, as he teaches Central Springs and Northwood-Kensett third grade students about combine safety and how corn is harvested.

Thank you to the schools for letting the students attend and take home some knowledge of agriculture.

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Harvest season safety tips for farmers

Alliant Energy provides tips to keep farmers safe around overheard power lines

As the annual fall harvest season gets underway, Alliant Energy reminds farmers of the vital importance of staying safe when operating farm equipment near power lines.

According to Alliant Energy, contact incidents with electric power lines significantly increase this time of year. The fall harvest season is riskier for several reasons: More equipment is deployed in the field; the equipment tends to be larger, such as combines, wagons and tractors; and farmers often work in the dark when it's difficult to see poles and wires.

In addition to the risk of an injury or fatality, contact with power lines can interrupt electric service. That can halt work and slow electricity-dependent farm activities such as grain drying.

To help keep farmers safe and the power on for all, Alliant Energy offers the following safety steps:

Maintain a safe distance. Always stay at least 10 feet from all power lines and power poles. Look up, down and all around before moving or raising your equipment. Conduct a thorough visual check of your surroundings.

Know your equipment's height. Do not drive under power lines if any part of your equipment is too tall to clear them. Consider the additional height of antennas and GPS receivers. If you purchased new equipment, don't assume it has the same clearance as your old equipment.

Do not attempt to raise power lines. Never try to elevate power lines to allow passage of tall equipment.

Be aware of your turning radius. Make sure your tractor and anything you tow does not swing into poles or overhead lines when you turn. Pay special attention at the ends of rows and field entrances. If you hit a power pole, it could break, dropping a live line. Assume it's energized and call 1-800-ALLIANT immediately.

Remain vigilant during grain handling and storage. Be cautious when you set up and move equipment, particularly when you use booms, augers and grain bins. These operations can bring you close to overheard lines. Keep grain augurs in their lowest position and lower truck bed boxes before moving.

Stay alert, especially when it gets dark. Know where poles and overhead lines are at all times.

Know what to do if an overhead line contacts equipment. Stay on the equipment. Do not step to the ground. Call 911 and wait until a qualified person tells you it is safe to exit the vehicle. If you must leave the equipment because of a fire or other danger, jump away from the vehicle to avoid touching the equipment and the ground at the same time. To the best of your ability, land with both feet together and then quickly shuffle away – keeping your feet together and on the ground.

Report damage to wires and poles to avoid power disruptions during harvest season or disruptions down the road.

Never assume a power line is safe to touch. If work requires you to be near a line, call 1-800-ALLIANT and explain the situation. Alliant Energy will discuss options with you or come to your site to make the area safe. If an individual or equipment contacts a power line, do not touch the victim or item. Call 911 and inform the dispatcher of the electrical accident. Always seek medical help for an electrical contact accident, as some injuries might not be visible or can appear several hours later.

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Grain handling facilities naturally collect dust, which can lead to explosions given the right conditions.

• Clean off dust accumulated in grain legs, elevators, service bearings, belts and motors regularly. Just a paper-thick layer of dust is combustible in a confined space. Overheated equipment parts or static electricity can be an ignition source.

• Recheck combine settings as grain condition changes to reduce kernel damage and collection of fines and trash. Dry conditions across Iowa may cause overly dry and brittle grain or uneven conditions across farms, making regular combine adjustments important.

• If excess fines and broken kernels are collected, either clean the grain before it goes into the bin or core the bin multiple times during filling to remove fines accumulated in the center of the bin. Removing the center core of fines and broken grain will improve aeration in the bin and reduce the risk of grain spoilage and unloading issues down the road.

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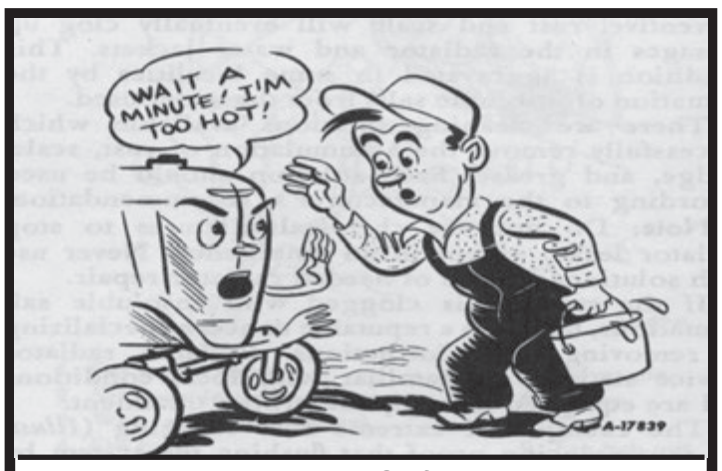


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Tractor Safety

Farm tractors provide the primary source of power on many farms. Studies show that the farm tractor is involved in a high proportion of farm fatalities and severe injuries. To avoid them, follow safe management principles and implement a tractor safety program on your farm.

~Develop a "safety first" attitude. Follow safe work practices all the time and set a good example for others.
~Be physically and mentally fir when operating tractors. Fatigue, stress, medication, alcohol and drugs can detract from safe tractor operation.
~Take breaks.
~Read operator's manual and warning decals.
~Pay attention to safety information.
~Equip the tractor with a Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS) and wear seat belts.
~Inspect the tractor for any hazards and correct them from operating.
~Make sure everyone who operates a tractor has received training and is physically able to operate it safely.

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Worth County Extension Education specialist Dennis Johnson, gives a demonstration of the dangers of being caught in grain wagons and bins.

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Lady Viking Morgan Wallin serves during last Tuesday night's 3-1 (22-25, 25-14, 17-25, 23-25) TIC East loss to Newman Catholic. The talented senior was perfect at the line against the Knights, going 17-17 with two aces.



N-K's Madalynn Hanson goes to the floor to return a serve in last Tuesday's 3-1 loss to Newman Catholic. Hanson had 12 digs in the night's loss and leads the team on the year with 76 digs.



Senior hitter Chloe Costello delivers a crucial point in last Tuesday night's 3-1 loss to Newman. Costello had seven kills and is now tops on the team with 64 kills on the year.

Improving Lady Vikings fall to Newman Catholic in four sets

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

Although the win column isn't showing it just yet, anyone that has seen the Northwood-Kensett volleyball team play can tell you that this team is improving, that the team you may have seen early in the season is not the same one you'll face come tournament time.

After beating Newman Catholic 2-0 at a weekend tournament just a week ago, the Lady Vikings saw the Knights come to Northwood last Tuesday night and slip away back to Mason City with the 3-1 (22-25, 25-14, 17-25, 23-25) Top of Iowa Conference East win.

N-K was confident and ready to play as the two teams took the floor, but it was soon clear that this match would be contested throughout and it started with the first set, a slim 25-22 win for the Knights.

Battling back after the first set loss the Lady Vikings responded with their best set of the night, a dominating 25-14 win to even the match at 1-1 heading into the third set.

Newman came back and took the third set 25-17 and set up the fourth set barn-burner that decided the match in the Knights' favor when they slid by N-K in the fourth and final set, 25-23.

Damaris Peterson led the team at the net for the Lady Vikings, recording 11 kills while Chloe Costello (7 kills), Lindsey Moore (6) and Emma Hengesteg (4) combined for 17 kills in the 3-1 TIC East loss.

Senior Morgan Wallin was the undisputed leader at the service line against the Knights, going a perfect 17-17 with two service aces.

With just five regular season matches left on the schedule team leaders in each statistical category are Mallory Rheingans with 100 assists, Costello with 64 kills, Peterson with 22 blocks, Madalynn Hanson with 76 digs and Hanson with an 89.8 service percentage, going 88-98 on the year.

With the loss to Newman the Lady Vikings are now 4-10 overall and still in search of their first TIC East win at 0-3.

N-K had just one match on the schedule this week, Tuesday night at Central Springs.

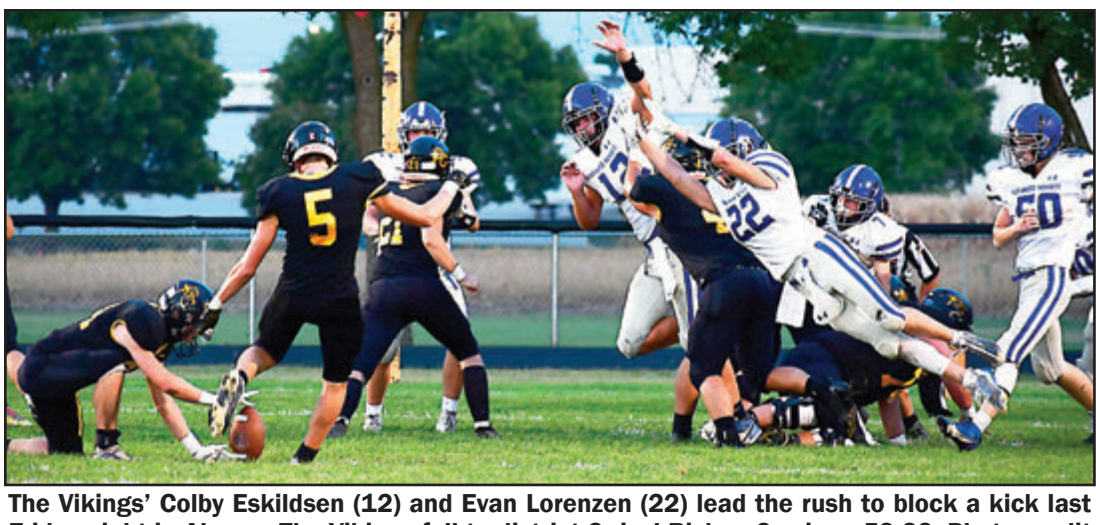
The Panthers are 28-4 all-time against N-K and haven't lost a single set to the Lady Vikings since the 2015 season.

TIC East Volleyball Standings

	TIC East	Overall
Osage	5-0	10-4
Newman Catholic	4-1	7-6
Saint Ansgar	4-1	10-6
Central Springs	3-2	10-5
Rockford	3-2	9-9
North Butler	1-4	8-13
Nashua-Plainfield	1-5	1-11
Northwood-Kensett	0-3	4-10
West Fork	0-3	1-13



N-K's Alex Tiedemann follows his blockers for some extra yardage in last Friday night's 59-22 district 2 loss at Bishop-Garrigan. Tiedemann had a nice all-around game, rushing for 20 yards on three attempts and a TD and he caught one ball for 12 yards. Photo credit to Jesus Renteria.



The Vikings' Colby Eskildsen (12) and Evan Lorenzen (22) lead the rush to block a kick last Friday night in Algona. The Vikings fell to district 2 rival Bishop-Garrigan 59-22. Photo credit to Jesus Renteria.

8-Man District 2 Standings

	District 2	Overall			
Bishop-Garrigan	3-0	3-1	West Bend-Mallard	1-1	2-2
Harris-Lake Park	3-0	3-1	North Iowa	0-1	1-3
GTRA	2-1	3-1	Northwood-Kensett	0-3	0-4
Rockford	0-2	0-4			

Shutout in the first half at B-G, Vikings respond with 22 second half points

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

We've all heard the saying, that was a game of two halves, and that's exactly what happened last Friday night in Algona when the Vikings ended the first half in a 41-0 hole only to respond in the second half of play with 22 points, outscoring the Golden Bears 22-18 in the final 24 minutes of play despite suffering the 59-22 district 2 loss.

The Vikings, 0-3 on the year heading into the match-up with Bishop-Garrigan, fell behind early and often in the first half of play with the Golden Bears scoring 41 first half points, including a 67-yard pass for a TD, a 14-yard pass for a TD, a 70-yard interception return for a TD, a 20-yard pass for a TD, a 21-yard run for a TD and a one yard run for a TD, giving them a 41-0 halftime advantage.

After giving up another TD early in the third quarter to make the score 47-0, the Vikings' QB, Kooper Julseth, broke loose for a 53-yard run, giving the Vikings their first points of the night.

Still trailing 47-7 Koop used his legs again, this time to score from 38 yards out and a 47-14 deficit before another Golden Bears score made it 53-14 in the home team's favor.

Alex Tiedemann rounded out the Viking scoring with a 15-yard run in the fourth quarter, making the final score 59-22 B-G after the two-point conversion.

The Vikings, who have tried a new passing game at times this season, resorted to their running game against B-G, rushing for 136 yards on 26 attempts and three rushing TDs.

On the defensive side of the ball Koop led the way with seven tackles while senior Justin Mills added 6.5 tackles. Mills leads the team on the year with 31.5 tackles with 26 solo and a team high two sacks.

With the loss to the Golden Bears, N-K is now 0-3 in district 2 and 0-4 overall.

The Vikings will host North Iowa this Friday in Northwood. The Bison are 3-1 against N-K the last four times the two teams have met but N-K still holds the edge over the last 10 games played at 7-3.

Bishop-Garrigan 59
Northwood-Kensett 22

NK	0	0	8	14 – 22
BG	14	27	6	12 – 59

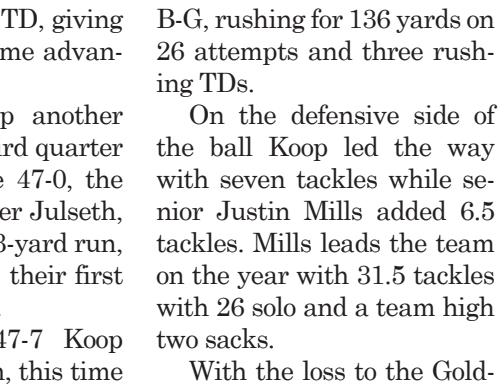
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