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Visiting with Santa

Santa Claus has been making the rounds, checking his lists and putting in some personal appearances throughout the world in recent weeks. While preparing for his big day this Sunday, Santa has taken the time to visit Santa's Village in Northwood. Children, like Collyns, Chandler, Kennedy and Cambry, have stopped by to ask Santa questions and tell him what's on their lists. These girls are daughters of Sawyer and Michelle Schulz. Santa will be in Northwood two more times, Saturday, December 23 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. and on Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Briefs

Santa's Northwood visits continue this weekend

Each year Santa pays several visits to his home away from home at Santa's Village in Central Park in Northwood.

Santa will be back in Northwood, in his village in Central Park, two more

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Area businesses observe holiday hours

With the Christmas and New Year's holidays on the way, many area business will observe hours that will allow employees to celebrate.

Following is a listing of the holiday hours of local businesses:

Casey's General Store will close at 6 p.m. on Christmas Eve and its kitchen will close at 4 p.m. Casey's will open at 10 a.m. on Christmas day. The store will be open regular hours throughout the New Year's holiday.

Fallgatter's Market will close at 5 p.m. on Christmas Eve and will be closed on Christmas day. The local grocer will close on 5 p.m. on New Year's Eve and will be closed on New Year's Day.

Farmers State Bank will be closed on Christmas Day. The bank will be closed

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Christmas Church Services

With Christmas on the way Sunday, many area churches will hold special services to celebrate Christ's birth. Listed below are the days and times of services at area churches.

Bethany Lutheran Church, Joice- Christmas Eve service, 6 p.m..

Bethany Lutheran Church, Kensett- Christmas Eve service, 7 p.m.

Bethel United Methodist, Manly- Christmas Eve services, 5 and 10 p.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Manly- Christmas Eve service, 7 p.m.

Elk Creek Lutheran Church- Christmas Eve service, 5 p.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Grafton- Christmas Eve candlelight service, 6 p.m.

First Lutheran Church, Northwood- Christmas Eve Worship Service at 4:30 p.m.; Christmas Day worship followed by lunch, at 10 a.m.

Grace Lutheran Church, Hanlontown- Christmas Eve service, 5 p.m.

Northwood United Methodist Church- Christmas Eve service, 7 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Church, Northwood-

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A gift of friendship for Christmas



By JoAnn Lower

In this true story of Christmas, a redbud tree sends a message of love: Put your whole heart into what you do – give, receive and share the glory of human kindness.

BethAnn skipped to school in her sister's hand-me-down boots. "I'm dancing through raindrops," she sang, sloshing through puddles that splashed water on her brown cotton stockings. She hated those stockings, especially the garter belt that held them up, but her mom made her wear them anyway. "They'll keep you well," Mom always said.

"Doesn't matter," she giggled. Skip-walking along, she made up a little song. "Doesn't matter at all. This is gonna be a good day."

She had it all planned. She would walk up to Miss Wilkins' desk and give her the tiny redbud tree she had grown all by herself. She'd tell Miss Wilkins how her friend Beth had taught her to take a cutting from a redbud tree, plant it and let it grow a new root.

"And I won't just walk to Miss Wilkins' desk," she'd practiced telling herself. "I will walk proudly. I will ignore Mary Jo who teases me for giving homemade gifts, who always tells me I'm poor."

The bell rang. All the fourth graders marched single-file to their desks; BethAnn at the end of the long line, holding Miss Wilkins' present in her hand.

No sooner had she started toward the teacher's desk, when a heavy book came hurtling toward her. Smashed into hundreds of pieces, the clay pot she had so meticulously sculpted lay on the floor. Beside it, still holding onto its roots, the start of a lovely redbud tree.

"What was that?" came a snide remark from somewhere in the room. "If that was a present for the teacher, you're gonna get an 'F' for Christmas."

"It was a redbud tree," BethAnn's voice quivered, trying to hold back tears. "I propagated it myself from my friend Beth's redbud tree."

Miss Wilkins rushed over to BethAnn, put her arms around the distraught girl

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The Week's WEATHER

From National Weather Service Information

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. Dec. 12	34	12	
Wed. Dec. 13	33	16	
Thurs. Dec. 14	45	21	
Fri. Dec. 15	53	21	
S. Dec. 16	54	22	0.01
Sun. Dec. 17	40	34	0.07
Mon. Dec. 18	37	22	

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N-K teacher videoed with prop gun in classroom placed on leave

Temporary Northwood-Kensett music teacher William Kochneff was put on administrative leave this past weekend after a video appeared on social media showing him holding a fake or prop gun.

The video, apparently taken by a student, shows Kochneff sitting on a chair holding the gun while apparently arguing with students.

While no explanation for where the fake weapon came from was given, a student having it in the school building would be in violation of the district's weapons policy, which states that weapons or lookalikes found in N-K schools or facilities will be taken from the students and the students could face discilinary action, including suspention or expulsion.

A letter was sent to families on Monday by superintendent Michael Crozier.

It read as follows:

"Dear Viking Family,

"We wanted to make you aware that, yesterday, we placed a staff member on administrative leave following an incident that occurred late last week in the classroom. The incident is under investigation. We are aware that a video is circulating related to the incident that appears to show a weapon in the classroom. While we are not at liberty to share specific details pending the outcome of the investigation, what we can share is that at no time were students in threat of physical harm. I can certainly understand that this incident has raised concerns. Please know that we take all matters related to student safety (both psychological and physical) seriously and will ensure that the matter is resolved."

Kochneff was put on administrative leave. His time with the district was previously set to end with the Christmas break. A new music teacher had already been hired before the recent incident. That teacher will begin at N-K on January 2.





Scandinavian sweets

Students in the Foods class at Northwood-Kensett recently got some practice in making some Scandinavian cookies recently. That included Rosettes and Krumkake. The Krumkake lessons came courtesy of student chef Addison Tasker, who showed her fellow students how to make the treat.

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and gently picked up the remains of the tiny tree. She looked around the room. "Who threw this?"

From under the book shelves came a deep, chesty cough. "Mary Jo, come out of there," Miss Wilkins ordered. "Why did you throw the book? You could have hurt BethAnn. You certainly destroyed her present."

Mary Jo's cheeks had turned red. "Mary Jo's embarrassed; Mary Jo's embarrassed," the class laughed at the redheaded girl who loved to cause trouble, the girl no one wanted to play with.

However, when Miss Wilkins noticed tears in the little girl's eyes and touched her forehead, she knew her red cheeks were not from embarrassment but from a fever.

Next day Mary Jo's desk was empty, and the day after, and the day after that.

It was Christmas Eve. BethAnn, her three little brothers, mom and dad were gathered in the kitchen for a simple supper of soup and bread.

Earlier had been the children's program at their small church where BethAnn played the part of Mary; her twin brothers the shepherds, baby brother was Baby Jesus, Mom played the piano and Dad narrated the program. The congregation thrilled at seeing the whole Anderson family take part in the children's program.

Now, with both the children's program and supper over, it was time for their favorite part of Christmas – opening presents. In the background, soft violin music set a reflective mood.

"God rest ye merry gentlemen, let nothing you dismay,

"Remember…

Instead of joining in the singing, BethAnn's thoughts were somewhere else. "Mom, will you please take me to Mary Jo's house?"

Almost before Mom could answer, 10-year-old BethAnn had disappeared upstairs to grab another of her special gifts. The two of them met at the front door and, within moments, were gone to "spread some Christmas cheer."

Mary Jo's mom, quite surprised to see them, invited BethAnn to go upstairs. "It will be good for Mary Jo to have a visitor. Her pneumonia is gone. Doctor says she now just needs rest."

Seeing the classmate who had never liked her, all BethAnn could manage to say was, "I'm glad you're getting well, Mary Jo."

"Why are you here?" the bedridden girl sneered. "You're not my friend. I don't need friends. I'm tough." But it was at that moment her toughness gave way to tears. "I would like to have a friend."

"I would like to be your friend," said BethAnn, surprised to hear herself say those words. She took a small package out of her pocket, "Merry Christmas, Mary Jo."

"A present? You brought me a present? Can I open it now?" Carefully unwrapping the small package, Mary Jo shrieked. "The redbud tree? I thought I killed it when I threw the book."

"That tree is coming back to life," BethAnn smiled from ear to ear. "It was Miss Wilkins' Christmas present. This is another redbud I grew, and I'd like you to have it."

Christmas was extra special that year. Both families – BethAnn's and Mary Jo's – came together for a carol sing-along. The girls and BethAnn's twin brothers played a game of Monopoly, while baby brother enjoyed a long nap.

As outdoor temperatures plummeted, the fireplace giving off a cozy feel that Christmas night, it was the redbuds tapping against the windows that to all brought delight.

Driver strikes two cars in Hwy. 9 accident

On Sunday, December 10, a vehicle failed to stop at a Highway 9 intersection and collided with two other vehicles.

According to an Iowa State Patrol report, the accident occurred at 10:37 p.m. when a vehicle driven by Corey Tangman, 36, of Manly, failed to stop at a Balsam Avenue intersection with Highway 9.

Tangman collided on the passenger side of a vehicle driven by Sierra Selvidge, 22, of Lake Mills.

Tangman continued onto Highway 9 and had a head-on collision with a vehicle driven by Brian Charlson, 43, of Leland, Iowa.

All three drivers were transported by ambulance to MercyOne. Tangman and Selvidge were not wearing seatbelts. Charlson was wearing a seatbelt.

The accident remains under investigation.

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on New Year's Day.

Kelly Hardware will be closed December 23 through Christmas Day. The hardware store will also be closed on New Year's Day.

NSB Bank in Northwood will be closed on Christmas Day. The bank will be closed on January 30 and New Year's Day.

The R80 convenience stores in Northwood and Kensett will be open from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Christmas Eve and closed on Christmas Day. The stores will be open normal hours on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Shade Tree Liquors will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Christmas Eve and is closed on Christmas Day. The store will be open regular hours on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Signatures Supper Club will be closed on December 23, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Signatures will be open December 28 through New Year's Eve.

Strike Zone will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Strike Zone will be open regular hours on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Sue's Cornerpost will be closed on Christmas Day. The Cornerpost will be closed December 30 through New Year's Day.

Tequila's Mexican Bar and Grill will be closed on Christmas Eve and on Christmas Day. The restaurant will be closed on New Year's Day.

MercyOne Pharmacy will be closed on Christmas Day. The pharmacy will also be closed on New Year's Day.

Glenville Short Stop will be open on Christmas Eve until 4 p.m. and closed on Christmas Day. It will be open regular hours during the New Year's holiday.

Worth County offices will be closed on Friday, December 22, and on Christmas Day. County offices will also be closed on New Year's Day.

Northwood City Hall will be closed on Friday, December 22, and on Christmas Day. City Hall will close at noon on December 29 and will be closed on New Year's Day.

Subway in Northwood will be open on Christmas Eve until 2 p.m. and closed on Christmas Day. Subway will be open regular hours on New Year's Eve and closed on New Year's Day.

The Post Office will be closed on Christmas day. It will be closed on New Year's Day.

The Top of Iowa Welcome Center Rest Area will be open on Christmas Eve, closing at 3 p.m. and closed on Christmas Day. On New Year's Eve it will close at 3 p.m. and it will be closed on New Year's Day.

Dollar General will be open regular hours on Christmas Eve and closed on Christmas Day. The store will be open regular hours for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

The Northwood Anchor office will be closed on Christmas Day and December 26. That week's Northwood Anchor will also be delivered one day late. The office will also be closed on New Year's Day.

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Christmas Eve service at 9 a.m., candlelight service at 4:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church- Christmas Eve mass, 6:30 p.m.

Silver Lake Lutheran Church- Christmas Eve service, 4 p.m.

Trinity United Methodist Church, Bolan- Christmas Eve service at 6:30 p.m.

Deer Creek Valley Lutheran, Christmas Eve worship at 8 p.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Lyle, Minn.- Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m.

Fertile Lutheran Church-Christmas Eve Sunday school program, 4:30 p.m.

Santa
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times before his big day.

Santa will visit Northwood this Saturday, December 23, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Santa will also make one more visit just before his big day, stopping at his village from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24.

Drive-through lights in Fertile park

The City of Fertile is offering a drive through Christmas light display, continuing through this weekend.

The display can be seen in Fertile's William Rhodes Park on Friday and Saturday, from 6-8 p.m.

Free will donations will be accepted.

Free holiday movies continue

The Northwood Theatre is hosting a number of free holiday shows, courtesy of local sponsors, with two more showings on the way.

This Saturday, December 23, at 10 a.m., will be a showing of "Wish," sponsored by Shade Tree Liquors.

On Christmas Day, Monday, December 25, at 7 p.m., "Wish" will be sponsored by Tom Capranos of Northwoods Cabinetry.

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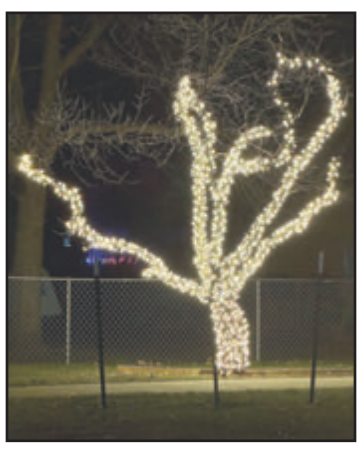
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Sports

Talented Vikings fall two games below .500 with fourth consecutive loss

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor



The Northwood-Kensett boys basketball team, one of the most talented groups of ballers to grace the hardwood in Northwood since its state championship team, have struggled a bit to start this season, losing four straight, including losses last week to North Union and Newman Catholic, leaving the Vikings two games under the .500 mark at 2-4.

The Vikings faced off against North Union last Monday in Northwood, where both teams were in an offensive mood, combining for 41 points in the first eight minutes of play.

And while both teams cooled off a bit in the second quarter, the Vikings were able to stay close to their non-conference opponent throughout the first half of play, going to the locker room at the halftime break trailing just 36-33.

The difference in the game was the third quarter. Fresh off the break, the Vikings came out lukewarm, the Warriors red hot, outscoring N-K 26-11 in the quarter, taking an almost insurmountable 62-44 lead into the final eight minutes of play.

With giving up not in this team's vocabulary, the Vikings poured in 19 points in the fourth and cut the final deficit to a more respectable 14 points, losing 77-63 to non-conference rival NU.

The Vikings' big four, Colby Eskildsen (16 pts, 9 reb.), Kooper Julseth (15 pts, 10 reb.), Carter Anderson (15 pts, 4 reb.) and Evan Lorenzen (10 pts, 2 reb.) combined for 56 points and 25 rebounds in the 77-63 loss.

Last Friday the Vikings ran into a Newman team that's currently in third place in the Top of Iowa Conference East, trailing only undefeated Osage and West Fork in the conference standings.

After a promising first quarter where the Vikings poured in a team high 21 points, they unfortunately struggled to match that accomplishment in the second, going to the halftime break trailing the Knights 40-29 after scoring just eight second quarter points.

With Newman's defensive pressure never letting up, N-K was able to put just 23 second half points on the board, leading to the 76-52 TIC East loss in Mason City. Eskildsen led the team with 26 points and eight rebounds while Anderson played like a man on a mission, adding eight points, two steals, four assists and nine rebounds.

With the losses to NU and Newman, the Vikings are now 2-4 overall and 2-3 in the TIC East.

The team had just one game this week, Tuesday night in Manly. They will be back in action after the holiday break on January 2 when they host Saint Ansgar.

TIC East Boys Basketball Standings

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



Dressed to perform

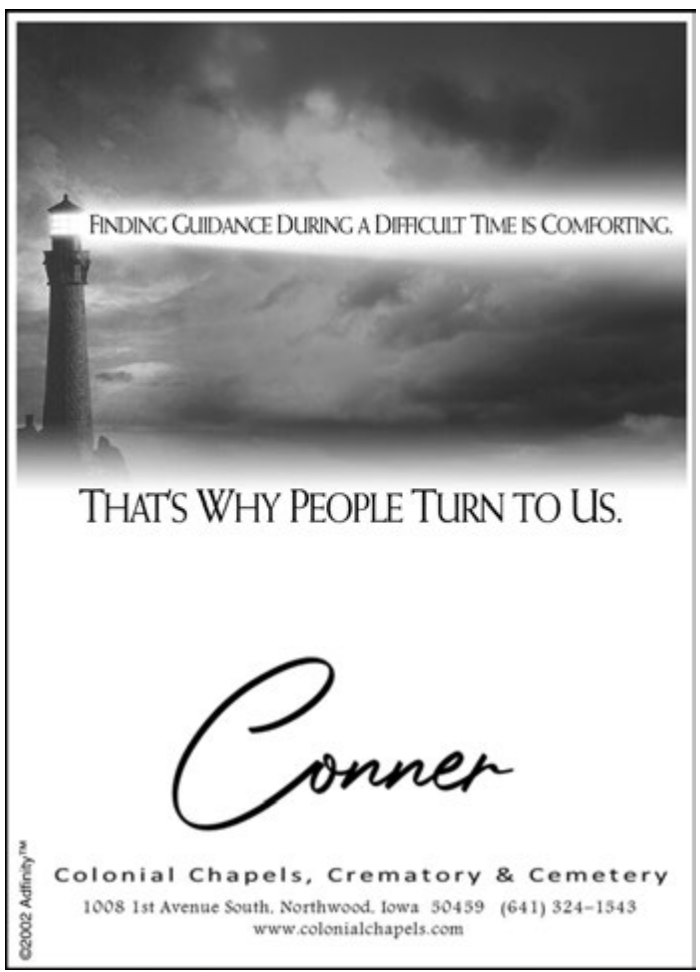
Earlier this month, students at Northwood-Kensett Elementary shared their musical abilities with concert crowds who visited the school for some holiday music. Students in grades K-1 and then later 2-3 presented their concerts on December 7. Amongst those sharing their musical abilities were the students in Mr. Urbatsch's second grade class, who are pictured here dressed and ready for the show.



Sending seeds

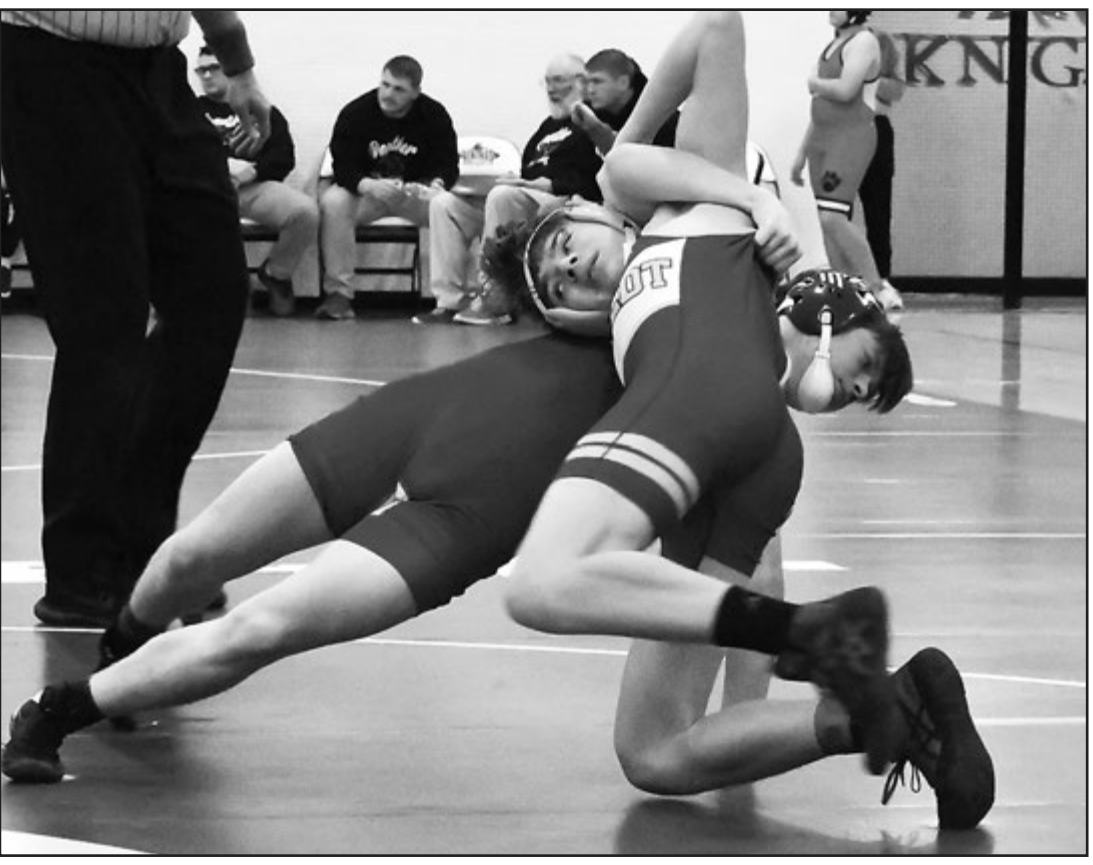
Worth County naturalist Heaven Walker visited with Northwood-Kensett second grade students last week to teach them about seed dispersal. They talked about why seeds disperse and the ways they travel. They also played games that showed how some seeds are dispersed.











For the Vikings' Weston Willand, it's allover except for that slap of the mat by the official as the talented sophomore prepares his Humboldt opponent for a pin. With the win by fall, Willand went 2-2 on the day with just one win by forfeit.



Fresh off of earning escape points, the Vikings Chaz Cummins takes advantage and eventually wins by fall over his Tripoli opponent. Cummins went 2-2 on the day including one win by forfeit.

Vikings earn second dual win of the season with 46-6 win over Tripoli

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Northwood-Kensett wrestling team picked up its second dual win of the still young season last Saturday in Northwood at the N-K Dual Tournament, beating a shorthanded Tripoli squad 42-6.

Other teams participating on Saturday were Humboldt JV, GTRA and Rockford, all offering varying numbers of wrestlers, making for an interesting but in some cases, a very short day of wrestling.

Tripoli pulled into the parking lot an hour before the start time boasting as many coaches as it had wrestlers, four each. So it didn't take long for the Vikings to dispose of Tripoli.

In the three matches actually wrestled, the Vikings couldn't have been more dominant. Chaz Cummins beat Dalton Miller in 41 seconds, Aden Bice won in 46 seconds and Alex Tiedemann pinned his opponent in an incredible 12 seconds, leading to the lopsided 42-6 victory.

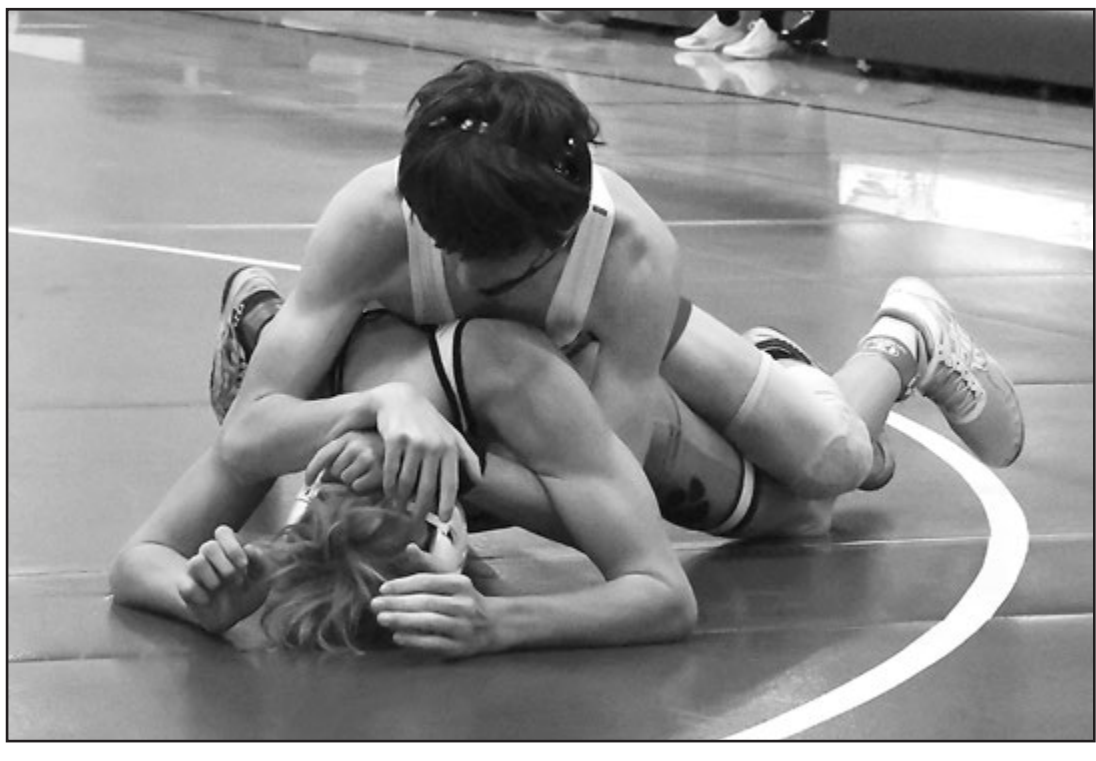
Going up against Humboldt's JV squad in its second dual of the day, the two teams sat through seven forfeits to start the match with only Weston Willand and Alex Tiedemann winning their respective matches, both by fall, but it was not enough as the Viking fell in the most competitive match of the day to Humboldt's JV, 42-30.

GTRA came into Saturday's dual tournament boasting one of the largest teams in the field, allowing the Vikings just one lone win, a fall by Alex Tiedemann over Isaiah Malm before falling to the Titans, 60-12.

Facing a team that more resembles its own numbers, the Vikings faced a replenished Rockford team that has struggled dearly with its numbers in recent years.

Picking up the Vikings' only wins not by forfeit were Noah Woltzen and Alex Tiedemann, who both won their respective matches by fall in the 42-24 loss to the Warriors.

The Vikings will be back in action on Thursday when they host Lake Mills and West Hancock. The team's first action after the holidays will be on January 6 when they visit GTRA.



After struggling to get his opponent on the mat, N-K's Aden Bice takes control, eventually winning this match by fall. Bice was perfect on the day, winning three matches by forfeit and this one by fall.



Lady Viking Morgan Wallin successfully splits numerous North Union defenders last Monday night in Northwood. Wallin had six points, three steals, two assists and seven rebounds in the non-conference loss. The talented senior is tied for the rebounding lead on the team with Costello at 6.7 rebounds per game through six games this season.



N-K senior Emma Hengesteg launches a long range shot in last Monday's 52-47 non-conference loss to North Union. Hengesteg scored seven points on 5-6 shooting from the free throw line and now leads the team, hitting 83.3 percent of her free throws, nearly 20 percentage points above the team's average.

Lady Vikings cling to .500 mark with losses to NU and Newman Catholic

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

After starting the season at 3-1 with wins over North Iowa, Nashua-Plainfield and West Fork, the Lady Vikings have fallen back to the .500 mark, boasting a 3-3 record after suffering consecutive losses last week to North Union (52-47) and Newman Catholic (48-43).

Last Monday the Lady Vikings fell behind early to the Warriors of North Union but then used a 21-point second quarter to take a slim 28-25 advantage into the locker room at the halftime break.

Northwood-Kensett was able to hang with the visitors in the third but were outscored 16-9 in the pivotal fourth quarter and fell 52-47 to its non-conference opponent. The win is the Warriors' sixth in a row over N-K after losing the first game of the series back in 2016.

Seniors Chloe Costello and Ella Leonard led the team with 22 and 10 points respectively while Emma Hengesteg added seven points.

The Lady Vikings finished up the week last Friday night in Mason City when they took on the Knights of Newman Catholic, who've now won 16 of the 18 games played between the two Top of Iowa Conference East rivals, including the most recent 48-43 loss.

N-K played about as well as you can, win or lose, committing only 10 turnovers in the 32 minutes played, the team not beating itself but instead just got outscored by a couple of points per quarter, leading to the narrow five-point loss, 48-43.

Costello led the team with 23 points and 10 boards while Hengesteg, Madalynn Hanson, Leonard and Morgan Wallin combined for 18 points, nine assists and 22 rebounds in the TIC East loss.

Costello leads the team heading into the break, averaging 17.8 points and 6.7 rebounds per game.

With the holidays coming up the Lady Vikings had just one game left before the winter break, Tuesday against Central Springs in Manly. The 3-3 overall and 2-2 in the TIC East Lady Vikings will be in action again after the break on January 2 when they host Saint Ansgar in Northwood.

TIC East Girls Basketball Standings

TIC East	Overall	
Central Springs	3-1	6-2
Saint Ansgar	3-1	5-3
Osage	3-2	6-3
West Fork	3-2	3-3
Newman catholic	2-2	4-2
Northwood-Kensett	2-2	3-3
North Butler	1-2	2-4
Nashua-Plainfield	0-4	1-4



One of 11 seniors on this year's squad, N-K's Chloe Costello uses her left hand to get an open shot in last Monday night's 52-47 loss to North Union. Costello led the team with 22 points and six rebounds in the loss to the Warriors.





Holiday visitors to LRH

The residents of Lutheran Retirement Home and Pines Assisted Living welcomed some special visitors to their recent holiday party. A jolly Grinch was joined by Santa and Mrs. Claus. They shared some gifts and tasty treats with the residents and left behind some holiday cheer.





MercyOne North Iowa Heart Center now offers WATCHMAN™ Device for heart rhythm disorder

MercyOne North Iowa Heart Center now offers the WATCHMAN™ Device, an implant that reduces the risk of stroke for patients with atrial fibrillation.

Atrial fibrillation remains the No. 1 cause of stroke and the most common heart rhythm disorder in adults. Blood-thinners prevent clots but aren't always tolerated for long-term use. WATCHMAN, a one-time, permanent implant, is a proven, safe alternative that reduces stroke risk without the need for lifelong use of blood-thinners.

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Symptoms of atrial fibrillation may include rapid fluttering in the chest, shortness of breath, fatigue, chest pains, lightheadedness and dizziness. If you have symptoms, you may get evaluated at the emergency room. See one of our heart experts if you have a documented heart rhythm disorder.

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Church

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

Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly
Sunday, Grace Worship, 9 a.m., Bethlehem Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Bethany Lutheran Church/Elk Creek Lutheran
Thursday, MANNA Open 4:30-6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Bethany, 9 a.m., EC Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Elk Creek, 10:30 a.m.
Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan
Friday, Choir Rehearsal (time to be determined) Sunday, No morning Worship Services, Candlelight Service, 6:30 p.m.
Pastor Cory Allard

Bethel United Methodist Church
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GOODNESS

Think about all the good in your life. Your family and friends. Your garden and home. Your job and hobbies. Whatever you consider good, remember the source: God. Everything good in life comes from Him. He is the father of all purity and all light. Be grateful for the goodness He has blessed you with and the constancy He provides. He will not falter or forsake you.



Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.
– James 1:17 (KJV)

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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

Gooseberry Patch cookbooks are always top-notch. One of the reasons is that the publishers use the "reader/contributor" style to fill their books with the tried and true recipes readers have submitted. And, since no one wants to ever have his or her name on a bad recipe for all the world to see, these cheerful, hard-cover spiral books are pretty much equal to the community and church cookbooks we all know and love. "The Christmas Table" (2012, Gooseberry Patch, Columbus, Ohio) is no exception. When looking for holiday treats, brunches, complete dinner menus and more, this book has it all. The following are adapted from the chapter titled "Festive Holiday Fare."

Crab Dip In a Bread Bowl

2 cans (6 oz. each) good quality crabmeat, drained and flaked
1 container (8 oz.) unflavored whipped cream cheese
1 tablespoon prepared horseradish
2 green onions, both white and green parts, finely chopped
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
Salt and pepper to taste
One unsliced round loaf of sturdy bread.

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F. In a medium bowl, combine all the ingredients except the bread. Blend well so there are no clumps of crabmeat stuck together. Slice the top off the loaf of bread, about 1-inch down. Carefully remove the insides, leaving about an inch-thick wall. Cut the bread you removed into cubes to be used later for dipping. Spoon the crabmeat mixture into the bread bowl. Place on an ungreased baking sheet and bake for 20-30 minutes, until the dip is bubbly and golden on top. Serve with the cubed bread plus some crisp crackers for dipping.

Figgy Tapenade Over Cream Cheese

1 cup dried figs, chopped
1/2 cup water
1 tablespoon good quality olive oil
2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
1 teaspoon dried rosemary
1 teaspoon dried thyme
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
2/3 cup pitted Kalamata olives, chopped
2 cloves fresh garlic, minced
1 8oz block of good cream cheese (Philly® is the best)
Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
1/3 cup toasted walnuts, chopped

NOTE: to toast walnuts, place in a small DRY heavy skillet over low heat. Stir constantly so they don't burn and toast until they are fragrant. Remove from the skillet and cool.

Cook the figs and the water together in a small saucepan, over medium heat, bringing it to a boil. Cook, stirring frequently, until the figs are tender and the liquid has cooked down. Remove from heat. Stir in the olive oil, vinegar, herbs and cayenne pepper. Add the chopped olives and garlic, mixing well. Taste and adjust the seasoning with salt and pepper to your liking. Place in a bowl and refrigerate overnight. To serve, unwrap the cream cheese and place on a plate. Bring to room temperature. Spoon the fig mixture over the cheese and sprinkle with the nuts. Serve with crisp crackers and a spreader as this is too stiff to use as a dip.

Cups 'O Sausage

1 pound good quality pork sausage such as Jimmy Dean®
1 packet (1 oz.) dry ranch salad dressing mix
8 oz shredded Mexican-blend cheese
1/2 cup very finely chopped red or green bell pepper
1 package (12 oz.) wonton wrappers

Brown the sausage in a heavy skillet, over medium heat. Drain and set aside to cool. Prepare the salad dressing mix according to directions. Combine the cooled sausage, the ranch dressing, the cheese and the minced pepper. Chill this mixture for 30 minutes. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly grease or spray one or more 12-cup muffin pans. Gently push down a wonton wrapper into each muffin cup to form a little shell. Bake for 5-7 minutes, just until lightly golden; watch carefully so they don't burn as they are very thin. Remove from the oven and cool. Repeat until all the wonton wrapper have been used. Fill each cup with about 2 tablespoons of the sausage mixture. Return to the oven and bake 5-7 minutes more, until the cheese melts. Cool before serving. Makes about 48 cups so you might have to borrow some muffin tins!

Many people go all out with special foods and different treats during the December holidays. These three recipes are different from the usual cookies, candies and cheeseballs, using ingredients we might not be familiar with the rest of the year. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society





Recognizing service and starting new service

At the recent regular meeting of the Northwood city council, two departing members were thanked for their years of service, while newly elected and re-elected councilors began their terms. Pictured at top, new council members Daniel Reeder, Annika Schreiber and Michael Bode take the oath of office. They will begin their official duties on January 2, 2024, at noon. Pictured below, mayor Doug Moehle (center) presented certificates of appreciation to Gary Nerlien (left) and Dave Tenold thanks them for their years of service.

Applications open for $2,500 Iowa Farm Bureau scholarship

High school students who plan to pursue an agricultural major or minor after their 2024 graduation are encouraged to apply for Iowa Farm Bureau Federation's $2,500 scholarship. Awarded to 27 students, this scholarship is renewable for four years, up to $10,000.

"The future of agriculture hinges on the passion and ingenuity of the next generation," says Iowa Farm Bureau President Brent Johnson.

Applicants must be tied to an Iowa Farm Bureau membership in good standing, have a minimum 2.5 GPA and accepted into an accredited higher education institution, including community colleges and technical schools.

Students must apply online by January 31, 2024, at iowafarmbureau.com/scholarships. A key aspect of the application includes an essay detailing the student's extracurricular activities, community service, their commitment to agriculture and two character reference letters.

This application qualifies students for both county-level scholarships, where available, and the state scholarship. Each of the 100 county Farm Bureaus across the state will select one student from their local area to be considered for the $2,500 state award. From this pool, three students from each of Iowa Farm Bureau's nine districts will be selected as scholarship recipients.

Additionally, the program includes the Daniel Johnson Memorial Scholarship and the Edward W. & Isabelle M. Klodt Memorial Scholarship, each offering $500 to eligible students.

More information on the scholarship program is available by visiting iowafarmbureau.com/scholarships. Questions can be directed to the Iowa Farm Bureau Community Resources Office at 515-225-5461.

'Tis the season to not get scammed

The "most wonderful time of the year" is also a busy time for scammers, who increase their efforts to steal your money or personal information. Protect the joys of the season and make sure consumers don't get "Scrooged" by a holiday scam, says Carol Ehlers, a human sciences specialist in family finance with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

An easy way for scammers to take advantage of consumers is through online shopping scams, according to Iowa Attorney General Brenna Bird.

While we're all taking advantage of the online shopping deals this season, so are the scammers. Online shopping scams are on the rise, and it's more important than ever that Iowans stay vigilant. To avoid scams, we recommend that Iowans shop local, learn how to recognize the red flags of a scam, and contact our office," Bird said.

Fiercely protect your data and your hard-earned money from criminals.

Watch out for fake websites or apps that closely resemble a business or brand you are familiar with. Double-check the URL by looking for a lock icon and by making sure it starts with "https:".

Verify that you are on a trusted and secure Wi-Fi network. While it may be easy to click the "Buy" button from your phone or laptop, inputting your credit card information over public Wi-Fi could increase your chances of falling victim to scammers. Set up email or text alerts with your credit card company or bank, so you will be alerted quickly to all purchases, including fraudulent purchases.

"The financial damage from identity theft and scams makes any deal costly," Ehlers said. Consumers need to take precautions to protect their identities while making online and credit card purchases.

Avoid gift card scams that start with a call, text, email or social media message persuading you to buy gift cards and hand over the card number and PIN codes. Scammers often use gift cards as a way to defraud people of their money because they're just like cash – any misuse is hard to trace. Unlike credit cards, there typically isn't any recourse for consumers when a gift card is stolen or used without authorization, so it is very hard to reverse the purchases or get a refund in these situations.

Recognize scammer's phishing emails that pretend to be delivery companies (such as UPS or FedEx) asking for personal information via email. Suspicious text or emails can always be checked against the status of a package directly on the delivery company's website.

"This holiday season, make sure Iowans are well-protected from consumer fraud," said Ehlers. She encourages consumers to look for a "Stay Independent: Spot, Stop Avoid Fraud" workshop to learn how to protect yourself from being a victim of fraud.

For more information, Iowans can visit the Iowa Attorney General's website. Scams should be reported to the Consumer Protection Division at 888-777-4590.

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Opinion

Savvy Senior

Tips on caring for an aging parent

Dear Savvy Senior,

Where can I turn to for caregiving help? I help take care of my 80-year-old father and work too, and it's wearing me out.

Worn Out Wendy

Dear Wendy,

Taking care of an aging parent over a period of time – especially when juggling work and other family obligations – can be exhausting. But help and resources are available. Here's what you should know.

Identify Your Needs

To help you determine and prioritize the kinds of help you need, a good first step is to make a detailed list of everything you do as your dad's caregiver and the amount of time each task takes. Identify the times when you need help the most and which tasks others might be able to do for you.

Then list the types of care needed, such as simple companionship or doing active chores, like shopping or running errands. Once you determine this, here are some tips and places you can reach out to for help.

Care Helpers

If you have siblings or other loved ones close by, start by asking them if they could come and help with specific tasks. And see if friends, neighbors or faith group members could help too.

You also need to check into local resources that may be available. Many communities offer a range of free or subsidized services that help seniors and caregivers with basic needs such as home delivered meals, transportation, senior companion services and respite services, which offers short-term care so you can take an occasional break. Call your nearby Area Aging Agency (800-677-1116) for referrals to services.

There are also a bevy of online services you can use to help you save time on certain chores. For example, online grocery shopping and home deliveries, and online pharmacy medication refills and deliveries. You can also order meal-kits or pre-made meals online through numerous meal service delivery companies and arrange needed transportation with ride sharing services like Lyft or Uber.

Or, if you can afford it, you may want to consider hiring someone a few hours a week to help with things like cooking, housekeeping or even personal care. Costs can run anywhere from $12 up to $25 per hour. Care.com or CareLinx.com are two good websites to help you find someone, or you can work with a local home care agency.

Financial Aids

If you're handling your dad's financial chores, make things easier by arranging for direct deposit for his income sources, and set up automatic payments for his utilities and other routine bills. You may also want to set up your dad's online banking service, so you can pay bills and monitor his account anytime. Or, if you need help, consider hiring a bill paying service like Silver Bills (SilverBills.com), which charges a flat fee of $150 per month.

BenefitsCheckup.org is another excellent tool to look for financial assistance programs that may help your dad, particularly if he's lower income.

Technology Solutions

To help you keep tabs on your dad when you are away at work or if he lives alone, there are affordable technology devices that can help. For example, there are medical alert systems and smart speakers that help with communication and allow him to call for help if needed. Home video cameras with two-way speakers that allow you to monitor and talk to him when you're away. Electronic pill boxes that can notify you if he has taken his medications. And to help you coordinate his care with other members of his care team there are websites like LotsAHelpingHands.com.

Other Resources

There are also a number of other organizations you can draw on for additional information like the Family Care Alliance (Caregiver.org), which provides a state-by-state listing of caregiving programs and services; the Alzheimer's Association (ALZ.org/help-support/caregiving) that provides information unique to the challenges of dementia caregivers; and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (Caregiver.va.gov), which offers caregiver support services to veterans and spouses.

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 want socks or underwear for Christmas.

Why would you want those things?

Because I never get what I want.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting redux

I'm afraid I'll get nothing for Christmas.

That's great news.

How is that great news?

Nothing lasts forever.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. The weather was going through an awkward phase. It snowed a little. My wife is considerably shorter than I am, so it snowed on me but not her. It made sense. The forecast had been for snow at higher elevations.

It's never too late to panic

There is someone in every family who got all his Christmas shopping done early, except for the shopping for others part. How do you know if someone did their Christmas shopping at the last minute or at the last 59 seconds? Here are some signs of someone who tried to do their shopping at a claw machine. He's wearing an "It's the thought that counts" sweatshirt. Spray painting makes for quick gift wrapping. He never knows what not to get people, so everyone gets a Slim Jim (nothing says Christmas like a convenience store purchase), gum, a manual nose-hair trimmer (a dollar store scissors), a bank calendar from the current year, a pet rock (a driveway rock with "Pet" written on it with a Sharpie) or bubble-wrapped bubble wrap. His gift-wrapping paper was an air-sickness bag.

A swinging Merry Christmas

The Christmas preparations were in full swing. The toilet had never been cleaner and Mom had spent $87 on olives. Unopened, jarred olives will stay fresh for up to two years. I aim to educate. She had stocked up on her secret ingredient—butter. We put up a new tire swing for Christmas. That may be an odd time to do that, but the planets had aligned ideally and the perfect tire made itself available. It was a tire, a rope and a bad attitude hanging down from a giant maple tree. I know what you're thinking. It replaced a flat tire. Well, you're mistaken. It replaced a gunny sack swing, which was a burlap bag filled with straw. We even replaced the old rope before the tire swing was put in place. The new piece of the poor man's playground equipment was like the new bull at a rodeo; it had never been ridden before. Yup, pardner, just like that bull except for the tire and the tree.

In the long line

His doorbell camera worked swell. He was able to watch someone steal it. I learned that while I was waiting in a TSA line at the airport with 41,953 other passengers going through security that day. They were all on my flight. I suggested to those near me that we all chip in and get the TSA guy of our choice something nice. We could find something at a gift shop once we'd cleared the line. There was no second to my motion. Instead, one changed the subject to how much safer it is to fly than to drive. I found little comfort in that. I'd driven to the airport and would have a long drive from it later.

Bad joke department

What has four letters and sometimes nine.

What rhymes with orange? No, it doesn't.

Crossing out someone else's name and writing yours in its place on last year's Christmas card makes it handmade.

My dog ate some Christmas decorations and got tinselitis.

What comes at the end of Christmas? The letter S.

Nature notes

I fed a handful of peanuts to the blue jays. Vanessa Sorensen wrote, "Though temper and crest May flare Striking beauty." Feeding the birds is a Christmas gift to me. An ancient Italian proverb said, "A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle." One of the significant benefits of being a birder is that it gives me something to talk about besides the weather.

A kind reader sent this quote from "Red Deer Runs in Darkness," "It became obvious to me that nature has her own language. She speaks through the animals, the trees and the cool summer breeze. She whispers, 'Embrace me.' And I do."

What should you do if you find an injured bird? Make the bird as comfortable as possible and call the Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Minnesota, located in Roseville, at 651-486-9453. If you find an injured raptor, contact the University of Minnesota Raptor Center at 612-624-4745.

Meeting adjourned

Be kind and do right by those who call you neighbor. Merry Christmas.

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Fit to print...

'Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus'

Each year, with Christmas soon to follow, many newspapers throughout the world share what is likely the most famous newspaper editorial, one that perfectly captures the holiday spirit.

Young Virginia O'Hanlon wrote the New York Sun newspaper in 1897 with a question about Santa.

Virginia was apparently teased by her classmates, but her belief in Santa did not waiver. So she turned to the trusted newspaper that her parents read every day.

Virginia sent the letter shortly after her birthday in July 1897. A response appeared in the September 21, 1897, issue.

The letter ended up in the hands of editor Francis P. Church, who was routinely assigned to respond to controversial and difficult topics. His editorials were written anonymously, including his response to Virginia.

Here is the original editorial, as it appeared in the New York Sun in 1897:

Is There a Santa Claus?

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of THE SUN:

"DEAR EDITOR: I am 8 years old.

"Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

"Papa says 'If you see it in THE SUN it's so.'

"Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

"VIRGINIA O'HANLON.

"115 WEST NINETY-FIFTH STREET."

VIRGINIA, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, VIRGINIA, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, VIRGINIA, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no VIRGINIAS. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, VIRGINIA, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank GOD! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, VIRGINIA, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

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Early Files

100 years ago

December 12, 1923

Gordonsville is to have an electric light plant, D.L. Boltan having purchased a large Delco plant and having signed up several houses and store buildings for the "juice." The plant will be located in the building on the corner opposite the bank.

At the annual meeting held by Wm. T. Smith, Post American Legion, for the election of officers for the year of 1924, County Clerk, Wayland R. "Butch" Christiansen was chosen as commander by the unanimous vote of the members.

The fourth annual American Legion play was presented at the Northwood Theatre. Good sized audiences witnessed each production. This year's play, "The Caliph of Bagdad," was a farce comedy, pure and simple, and judging from the laughter and applause the offering was acceptable.

Ira Linter received painful burns on the body and arms at the farm of C.G. Kittleson, west of town, where he with others were sawing wood with a power outfit for Fred Aase. Physicians were called and his sufferings mitigated as much as possible.

This week on December 9 to 16, has been set aside for public observance and obtaining funds with which to erect a fitting memorial to President Warren G. Harding. A national-wide movement for obtaining contributions will be carried on. The purpose is to perpetuate the memory of the late president.

During the fall of 1922, the store of Henry E. Tenold at Tenold was burglarized and considerable goods carried away. They covered their tracks well and were not found, neither were the stolen goods located. Greatly to Mr. Tenold's surprise when he opened his mail, he found in a carefully wrapped package all his stock certificates, insurance papers and some bonds which had been among the articles stolen a year ago. The postmark on the package was so indistinct that no clue to the place of mailing was given by it.

75 years ago

December 16, 1948

M.E. Roisen of Northwood was elected president of the Worth County Farmers Union at the annual meeting at the I.O.O.F. Hall at Manly. Harold Mueller of Manly was named vice president; John Tietz of Manly, secretary-treasurer; and Clarence Foley of Northwood, as counsellor.

More than 600 persons attended two performances of the Northwood high school operetta, "An Old Fashioned Charm," presented at the school auditorium. At the student matinee the audience was 334; at the evening performance, although handicapped by the slippery streets, 265. Because of the illness of one of the soloists, Marian Bendickson, that part was taken by Joan Sharp.

L.G. Stevenes, who farms 7 1/2 miles southeast of Northwood, was named Master Swine Producer at a banquet in Des Moines at noon Saturday. He was one of 25 of Iowa's most outstanding pork producers so honored for their 1948 production records.

Sub-zero temperatures, followed by warmer days and then in turn by a slippery blanket of ice, kept the weatherman hopping this week to keep track of the changing weather and to keep on his feet, as well, as this issue of The Anchor goes to press.

When his congregations here and at Myrtle heard that the Rev. Otto C. Staehling had received a call from the German Lutheran church at Wells, they didn't waste any time in taking measures to keep their pastor. Special meetings were called at both churches, and both decided they would raise the pastor's salary; in addition a $700 bonus was raised on the spot by passing the hat at the Myrtle meeting.

50 years ago

December 20, 1973

Tammi Lyman, four-year-old daughter of the Ron Lymans, has her spirits high for this Christmas, as she mails a letter to Santa Claus in the Jaycee-Ette Santa Mailbox. On top of the list is a kitty.

An estimated $1,225,100 will be spent on secondary road improvement in Worth County in 1974, according to Jim Hyde, Worth County engineer. This includes $378,000 for new construction plus a $324,000 construction carryover from 1973 budgeted projects, Hyde added. Funding for the secondary road budget comes from property tax receipts, road use taxation and miscellaneous receipts.

Final payment on the junior high gymnasium was made in December, according to superintendent Francis Peterson. The only bonded indebtedness against the N-K school district is the $370,000 owed on the senior high school building. The payment schedule calls for final payment to be made in November 1980. On February 22, 1954, the board of education of the Kensett school district hired an architect to design a school gymnasium and on March 17, 1954, the proposal to issue $36,500 in bonds was approved by a vote of 210 yes and 14 no.

Mrs. Sarah Walker, and Mrs. Elsie Douglass, residents of the Lutheran Retirement Home in Northwood, enjoy the Christmas tree furnished and decorated by the Craft and Garden Lassies. The Club also decorated the activities sign and Santa's mailbox in Central Park.

The Northwood-Kensett wrestlers earned third place in the Emmetsburg wrestling tournament with a score of 62. Madsen at 132 pounds and Cook at 138 both won championship by decisions. Erdmann at 119 was pinned in the finals and Pangburn defaulted in the finals. In the consolation round Nagle (126) and Iverson (185) won by decision and Marker (155) won by a pin. Team scores: Rockwell City 73; Emmetsburg 70; N-K 62; Gilmore City 58; West Sioux 52; Central Lyon 39 and Storm Lake 21.

25 years ago

December 23, 1998

At least two Northwood four-years-old weren't too shy when it came to telling Santa and Mrs. Claus what they wanted for Christmas. For Riley Olson, daughter of Russ and Teresa Olson of rural Northwood, that list includes a dolly bed and dress-up shoes. For Raegen Reyerson, daughter of Greg and Lorna Reyerson of Northwood, the list includes Teletubbies and Barbies. The pre-school group met up with the Clauses at Children's Garden Monday morning.

Northwood-Kensett High School senior Nigel Millard has been nominated for an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy. Sen. Tom Harkin's office announced Millard's nomination last week. "I would like to congratulate Nigel for the many outstanding achievements that have earned him his nomination," Harkin said. "An academy nomination is a great honor because of the intense competition for these nominations across the state of Iowa." Millard is the son of Don and Bryn Pangburn of rural Northwood.

Eleven-year-old Christopher Low was handy with a paper plate to catch the flapjacks Greg White was flipping at the Northwood Chamber of Commerce pancake breakfast in the fire station here. Christopher is the son of Keith and June Low of rural Northwood and White is employed by Chris Cakes of Pocahontas. The Chamber served approximately 250 hungry diners during the event.

The Northwood-Kensett girls varsity basketball team picked up its first win of the season last Tuesday by downing Osage 48-38 here in North Iowa Conference action. The Vikings stretched a 22-20 lead midway through the third quarter to a 31-20 bulge by the end of the period. But three-pointers by Melissa Sweeney and Jenny Moore sparked a Green Devil comeback that cut N-K's lead to 40-36 with 2:28 remaining.

10 years ago

December 18, 2013

The home of Gloria and Gary George, located on 10th Street North in Northwood, is a festive sight each holiday season. The many lights and decorations give a special glow to the neighborhood. Everyone should get a look at this home this year, because, according to the Georges the lights will be retired in 2014.

The 2014 Worth County Fair 4-H Calf Weigh-in took park at the Worth County Fairgrounds this past weekend. Beef volunteers who worked at the weigh-in included Lynn Tenold, Dr. Mike Direneheld and Keith Braun. 4-H Beef Superintendent Andy Julseth reported that 89 calves were scaled in this year's fair. He indicated this was one of the higher number of calves nominated in recent years, which should boost entries for the Worth County Fair Beef Show scheduled this summer for June 21, 2014.

Northwood-Kensett High School chorus members delivered singing Christmas carols to several Lutheran Retirement Home residents, including Wayne Estes.

Sophomore Josh Einertson is doing it all for the Vikings this season. Einertson is third on the team with 9.0 points per game, second in rebounding with 5.5 per game, second with 17 assists and second with four steals as N-K picks up its first win of the season, a game where Einertson poured in 16 points, nine rebounds and seven assists against Riceville.

N-K's Hunter Julson wastes no time putting his opponent on his back in wrestling action. Julson reached the third place match, where he lost by fall to Skyler Popham of Clarksville.

Students in Mrs. Myhre's first grade class at Northwood-Kensett Elementary recently celebrated their monthly day of reading with a theme. December's theme was perfect for the arrival of cold weather, as students were invited to "Slip Into a Comfortable Book." Pictured with a few good books, and some comfortable footwear are Hailey Krambeer, Colby Eskildsen, Topanga Hackenmiller, and Macy Thorson.

Northwood Anchor

Obituaries

Phyllis Mortenson



PHYLLIS MORTENSON

Phyllis Marian (Reeder) Mortenson passed away on December 13, 2023, in Northwood, Iowa, at the Lutheran Retirement Home.

Phyllis was born on October 3, 1925, in rural Northwood, the daughter of Tony and Esther (Thoen) Hrubetz. She was baptized and confirmed at Bethany Lutheran Church in Kensett, Iowa. She attended rural schools and graduated from high school in Kensett.

Phyllis was united in marriage to Robert Reeder on April 30, 1944, in Northwood. To this marriage four children were born. Following the death of Robert in 1965, she married Clarence Mortenson of Northwood in 1979. Clarence passed away in 1994.

Phyllis worked at Mortenson Produce, Winnebago Industries and the Lutheran Retirement Home in Northwood for many years.

Phyllis was a Sunday school teacher at First Lutheran Church in Northwood for over 30 years, was a youth sponsor at the church and a 4-H leader. She was an active member of Eastern Star in Northwood and White Shrine in Mason City.

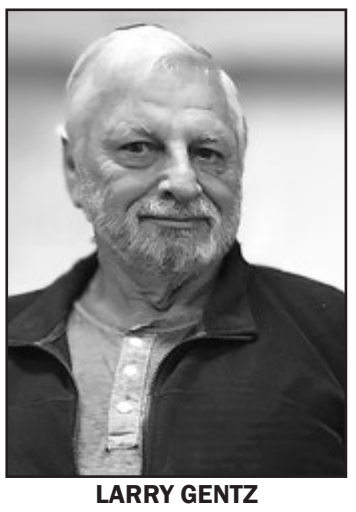
Phyllis enjoyed her flower beds, decorating her home for all holidays and trout fishing with her sons. She was 89 years old when she went on her last trout fishing outing.

Those left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Patricia (Richard) Stromley of Mason City; sons, Daniel (Carolyn) Reeder and Dennis (Janet) Reeder, all of Northwood; stepdaughter, Melissa Mortenson of Minneapolis; four grandchildren; Randall (Kris) Stromley of Des Moines, Robert Stromley and special friend, Kristi Tabbert, of Mason City, Anneke (Jake) Urbatsch of Northwood, and Garret (Danielle) Reeder of Ankeny; four great-granddaughters and four great-grandsons.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husbands; her son, Bob; and stepdaughter, Kay; also her parents, three brothers, three sisters, nieces, nephews and many in-laws.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, December 22, 2023 at Schroeder & Sites Funeral Home in Northwood with Rev. Becky Sogge officiating. The family will greet people one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be at Sunset Rest Cemetery in Northwood.

Larry Gentz



LARRY GENTZ

Larry D. Gentz, 72, of Northwood passed away peacefully on Saturday, December 16, 2023, at Mercy-One North Iowa in Mason City, surrounded by family.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, December 22, 2023, at First Lutheran Church, 309 Ninth St. N., Northwood, Iowa, with Rev. Becky Sogge officiating. He will be laid to rest at Sunset Rest Cemetery, Northwood.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, December 21, 2023, at Conner Colonial Chapel, 1008 First Ave. South, Northwood, Iowa. Visitation will continue one hour prior to the service at the church.

The family suggests memorials be directed to First Lutheran Church or the Northwood Volunteer Fire Department.

Larry Dean was born on April 14, 1951, in Mason City, Iowa the son of Raymond C. and Dorothy A. (Schmidt) Gentz. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. Larry attended and received his education in Northwood and later at North Iowa Area Community College in Mason City, Iowa.

He was united in marriage to Kathleen M. Grell on March 27, 1976 at the First Lutheran Church in Northwood. To this union, a son was born, Tony. Before retiring, Larry worked as an Engineer Manager at Winnebago Industries in Forest City. Over the years he also dedicated his time to the family farm east of Northwood with his brothers.

Larry cherished time spent with his wife, son, and two granddaughters, Alexia and Casey. He enjoyed time outdoors whether it was on the golf course, camping or fishing. Days spent working the land and time on the farm alongside his brothers were very important. Most of all, holiday breakfasts and Labor Day family gatherings were crucial. Larry looked forward to a full house of laughter and joy. He had a heart of gold and was never afraid to express his love.

Left to cherish his memory are his beloved wife of 47 years, Kathleen; son, Tony of Northwood; granddaughters, Alexia and Casey Gentz, both of Northwood; brothers, Ronald (Kathleen) Gentz and David (Cheryl) Gentz, all of Northwood; brothers-in-law, Jim Grell, Rick (Kay) Grell and Randy (Connie) Grell; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and extended family.

He was preceded in death by his father, Raymond; mother, Dorothy; sister, Karen; and brothers, Kenneth and Brian.

Carroll Day



CARROLL DAY

Carroll Clarence Day, 82, of Gladbrook, passed away at his home on Tuesday, December 12, 2023.

A Celebration of Life for Carroll was held on Friday, December 15, 2023, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Mitchell Family Funeral Home in Marshalltown, Iowa. Family will be working on planning a burial and larger celebration of life in Northwood, Iowa, in the Springtime. Memorials may be directed to the family. For more information or to send condolences please visit www.mitchellfh.com or call 641-844-1234. Mitchell Family Funeral Home is caring for Carroll and his family.

Carroll Day was born on July 5, 1941, in Mason City, Iowa, and raised in Buffalo Center. He was the son to Carroll and Arline Day. He was united in marriage to first wife, Gloria and later remarried to Patti. Carroll had worked and retired from the city of Northwood, Iowa, as a city worker. In his younger years, he worked on the family farm. Carroll was very passionate with his faith and association with The Shepherd's Chapel with Pastor Murray. He enjoyed camping, fishing, hunting, reading the bible and good movies, especially Westerns.

Carroll enjoyed being around his family and friends most of all. Carroll was the kindest most selfless and genuine man. He lit up the room with his smile and gave the best hugs. He will be greatly missed and forever in our hearts.

Carroll is survived by his children, Scott (Tonya) Day of New York, Cindy (Todd) Bird of Gladbrook and Cory (Cindy) Day of Austin, Minnesota; grandchildren, Hali Daters (Brian), Cobren Bird and Olivia Day; and great-grandchildren, Braelyn, Kaidre and Dax. He is also survived by siblings, Deb (A.J.) Abplanalp, Sue (Larry) Bloechl and Greg (Deb) Day, along with many nieces and nephews.

Carroll is preceded in death by his siblings, Darroll and Paul Day; parents, Carroll Sr. and Arline and his first wife, Gloria.

Irene Miller Obituary, see Page 11

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City of Kensett

The Kensett City Council met in regular session 11/13/2023 at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall with Mayor Corey Pulju presiding. Council Members present were Woltzen, Heiken, and Douglas.

Absent: Bratrud

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 Woltzen, carried unanimously.

Maintenance discussed that the City Hall furnace was fixed, but we might want to look into getting a new furnace at some point.

Old Business: Peterson Excavating came in to talk about the Snow Plowing Contract for this upcoming winter. Motion was made by Heiken, 2nd by Woltzen to accept the new Snow Plowing Contract, roll call vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously.

The 28 E Agreement was accepted and approved by Mason City to have the Mason City Building Inspectors come to inspect our abandoned properties and buildings. The next step is to bring them out, have them inspect the town and find which properties to start with.

New Business: The idea of acquiring a Card Reader in the office so some bills can be paid was mentioned. It was tabled at this time.

The deadline for Spring Grant Ideas is February 1st. Grant ideas were discussed; more will be talked on at a later date.

Due to the death of Council Member Ron Parker, a new member was discussed to be appointed by the Council. Motion by Douglas, 2nd by Heiken to appoint Tom Dakin to fulfill Ron Parkers term, roll call vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: October 2023 Revenues by Fund: General 40,963.93, Utilities 4390.22, Special 5195.43 Total Revenues: $50,549.58. Stands approved as read.

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

Payable: Alliant Energy 2245.00, WCTA 283.96, B. Luckason 578.66 (net), L. Luskey-Lestrud 577.51 (net) R. Bauer 1456.28(net), K. Thompson 1,330.37 (net), Federal & SS 981.16 (payroll), IPERS 772.10 (payroll), Water Service Tax 102.93 (water), Tractor Loan Payment #57/60 321.98 (casino $-general), Devon Reckner 558.00 (mowing), Visa 1208.51 (conference), AgSource 158.75 (service-sewer-testing), C. Pulju 230.87 (payroll-net), KFD 400.00 (fire protection), Kensett Water Works 109.00 (sewer fees), Waste Management 1563.16 (garbage & recycling), Kelly Hardware 28.74(supplies), Northwood Anchor 49.10 (publication), Nelson Septic 125.00 (Portapot), Hawkins 282.35 (water), NIACC 60.00 (class), D&D Sales 3438.00 (signs), IRW 305.00 (Dues), K. Thompson 240.63 (mileage), Peterson Excavating 1390.00 (repairs), K. Woltzen 332.46 (net), R. Parker 184.70 (net), L. Douglas 184.70 (net), R. Bratrud 295.52 (net) Culligan 10.70 (water), Baker & Taylor 491.11 (supplies), Arlys Bergdale 84.00 (cleaning), Midwest Tape 177.42 (supplies), Larsen Plumbing & Heating 126.04 (services), Ryan Welch $100.00 (service)

Disbursements by Fund: General 11,929.84 Special 1,132.73, Utilities 796.81, Payroll 6,924.33 (gross)

Total Disbursements: $20,783.71.

Motion to adjourn by Douglas 2nd by Heiken, 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 10/11/23 at 6 pm with Mayor Moehle presiding and the following council members present:

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

Motion to approve the agenda. Unam.

Motion to approve the following under Consent Agenda: Meeting Minutes of November 27, 2023; Treasurer Report; Mayor Appointments- Board of Adjustment-Bruce Rheinfels; Cemetery Board-Fran Olson; Park Board-Jesse Renteria, Matt Tufte; Zoning Commission-Dennis Reeder; Claims as follows:

Payable to:

For: Amount

NSB, Monthly ACH Fee $20.00
Iowa Finance Authority
Sewer GO Bond Interest..... $25,260.00
Iowa Finance Authority
Sewer Revenue Bond Interest ... $59,356.80
IA Dept of Revenue
Sales Tax $529.62
IA Depart of Revenue
Excise Tax $1,435.77
Verizon Wireless
Cell Phones, router $106.92
Principal, Insurance..... $478.89
Wellmark BCBS
Insurance..... $10,176.24
Wellmark BCBS
Insurance..... $655.20
Payroll, Wages..... $21,205.00
USPS, Mailing-cc $360.06
Alliant Energy
Utilities..... $15,161.52
Payroll, Wages..... $23,961.41
Ace Professional Cleaning
Services-cc $50.00
Agri-Sales, Supplies-pw... $186.00
Amber Julseth
Mileage & Supplies $103.69
Badger Meter
Hosting-pw $47.50
Barco Municipal
Supplies-pw $567.25
Carquest, Supplies-pw..... $66.24
D & L Equipment
Seeder-pw $815.00
Falkstone, Materials-pw.. $798.25
GWorks
2024 Annual License Fee-cc $6,439.00
Hawkins, Supplies-pw $30.00
Huber Supply Co.
Supplies-pw $49.50
Iowa One Call, Services-pw$24.40
IMWCA
Premium Adjustment . $1,331.00
Joanne Moretz
Water Dep. Refund-cc $50.00
John Deere Financial
Freight, Supplies-pw..... $263.59
John Greve
Legal Services $500.00
Kelly Hardware
Supplies-pw $1,883.79
Knutson Oil Co.
Fuel-pw,tr..... $1,561.40
Larry Hovey
Mowing Season 23'..... $650.00
Larsen Plumbing & Heating
Repairs,pd,w..... $594.33
Menards, Supplies-pw $93.63
Metering & Technology
Supplies-pw $873.23
Microbac Labs
Testing-pw..... $836.35
Minnesota Valley Testing
Soil Analysis..... $25.00
Northwood Anchor
Publications..... $260.32
Northwood Chamber
Northwood Dollars..... $575.00
Northwood Chiropractic
DATA-pw $60.00
Northwood Electric
Repairs-pw..... $1,635.00
Northwood Sanitation
Garbage Services..... $7,696.00
Northwood Senior Center
Monthly Donation $800.00
OPD Business Solutions
Supplies-cc..... $58.58
Proline Dist, Supplies-pw.. $79.94
Steve Hanson
NB Grant/Catalyst.... $25,000.00
Storey Kenworthy
Supplies-cc..... $374.00
Three Oaks Greenhouse
Spruce Tips..... $1,079.73
Trading Post
Supplies-pw $285.99
Ulland Brothers
Street Overlay $290,616.80
Unity Point Clinic, DATA.. $42.00
USA Blue Book
Supplies-pw $170.29
Vessco, Parts-pw $348.16
WCTA, Phone/Internet $649.57
Wild Rose Garden Center
Flowers $72.54
Worth Co. Auditor
Election..... $2,584.63
Worth Co. Sheriff
28E Law Enforcement $32,105.83
Library:
Alliant Energy, Utilities .. $293.67
Visa, Supplies..... $294.26
Ace Professional Cleaning
Services..... $60.00
Baker & Taylor
Materials $681.76
Center Point Large Print
Materials $104.38
Globe Gazette
Subscription $490.99
Kelly Hardware, Supplies.. $71.73
Mason City Glass
Front Door Project $6,840.00
Northwood Anchor, Ad $39.60
Northwood Electric
Services..... $599.00
Trenhaile Construction
Services..... $1,950.00
Worth Lumber
Supplies $76.47

Summary of November 2023 receipts by fund type: General - $466,015.94; Special Revenue-$62,285.41; Debt Service - $9,693.44; Capital Projects-$2,207.39; Enterprise-$99,385.98; Trust & Agency - $1,000.00.

Summary of November 2023 disbursements by fund type: General - $240,558.10; Special Revenue-$279,043.28; Debt Service-$0; Capital Projects-$0; Enterprise-$63,760.62; Trust & Agency - $0.

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

Motion to approve Resolution No 2312-19 Opposing Alliant Energy Proposed Electric Rate Increase. Unam.

The Park & Rec Board discussed the possibility of a shared position with the N-K Community School/Viking Activity Center and the City Park & Rec. More information will be gathered and brought to a future council meeting.

Motion by Nerlien, second by Reeder to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth,
City Administrator/Clerk

N-K School

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

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

Absent: Susan Kliment

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

Old Business:

(4-0) approve the early retirement applications of David Capitani, Michael Reindl, Ryan Severson, Martin Cotter, Lori Hill, Annette Orvedal and Steve Hartman

Larry Hovey and John Anderson thanked Administration and Board of Directors

Adjournment

(4-0) adjourn the meeting at 7:09 pm

Proceeding with the New Board:

Members present: Shana Brunsvold, Jami Nelson, Cindy Pangburn, Bradley Christianson

Absent: Susan Kliment

(4-0) accept the canvas of election

Board Secretary Hengesteg administered the Oath of Office to newly elected board member Jamie Nelson and Shana Brunsvold (4-0) elect Bradley Christianson as President (4-0) elect Cindy Pangburn as Vice President Board Secretary Hengesteg administered the Oath of Office to newly elected President Bradley Christianson and Vice President Cindy Pangburn

Superintendent Crozier turned the meeting over to President Christianson

Reports

Elementary Principal: 1) Holiday program was Dec 7th at the Elem gym 2) Aaron Mathas, our new music teacher, will start his position on Jan 2nd. Special thanks to Bill Kochneff for helping us out during the first semester 3) AEA training for our paraeducators

Secondary Principal: 1) Jan 10th we have student-athletes participation in the Top of Iowa Conference Leadership Event in Osage 2) Student council is planning for a winter (in)formal week, dance on Saturday, Jan 27th 3) Ways to keep our course offerings as varied and robust as we can. Exploring the idea of allowing students 1 period a day for all of the online courses they take.

Superintendent: 1) Grant from WCDA for new cameras for all of the buses in the Worth County Schools 2) Radon Testing at MS/HS building will begin Jan 8th 3) Christmas Fundraiser by staff for wearing jeans 4) Report showing the past 5 years of finances for the general fund 5) Exploring the idea of having a video promoting the district

New Business

(4-0) approve the time for the regular school board meeting at 6:00 pm on the second Thursday of each month in the Administrative Office Building.

The district's administration is authorized to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for a modified supplemental amount of $12,362 due to an increase of certified enrollment from the prior year. Passed by a vote of 4-0

The district's administration is authorized to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for a modified supplemental amount of $10,897 due to an increase open enrollment out students not included in the district's previous year's certified enrollment count. Passed by a vote of 4-0

(4-0) approve the second reading of policies, 401.01, 503.01, 503.01-R(1), 503.02, 503.08, 605.03-R(1), and 701.05-R(1)

(4-0) approve the first reading and waive the second reading of policies, 503.08-R(1), 507.09 and 705.01R(2)

(4-0) appoint Christianson to the Worth County Conference Board

(4-0) approve the District Developed Special Education Delivery Plan.

Personnel

(4-0) approve the resignation (retirement) of Daryl Love as Transportation Director with regrets

(4-0) approve the resignation of Terry Lowe as girls wrestling head coach

(4-0) approve the resignation of Barbara Butler as MS/HS Associate

(4-0) approve Jordan Reindl as head girls wrestling coach

(4-0) approve Jaela Parks as VAC front desk worker at a rate of $10.00 per hour

(4-0) approve Trevor Hunt as junior high boys track coach (4-0) approve the resignation of Trevor Hunt as head football coach pending suitable replacement.

(4-0) approve the hire of Brooke Schleusner-Anderson as associate at the Elementary at a pay rate of $12.50 an hour

(4-0) approve Diane Heaney as drama director for the 2023-2024 school year at the negotiated rate in the contract (1,771.)

Adjournment

(4-0) adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm

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

AGiRepair, Inc
parts..... 1,995.00
AGVANTAGE FS, INC
propane..... 995.00
AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.
legal services 608.00
AIRGAS USA, LLC
SUPPLIES..... 765.28
All Star Pest Control
pest control 75.00
ALLIANT ENERGY
ELECTRICITY..... 14,476.90
Amazon Capital Services
SUPPLIES..... 3,809.36
BLAZEK ELECTRIC
services 301.27
Brunsvold, Shana
reimbursement..... 188.40
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS
SUPPLIES..... 59.44
Christianson, Bradley
reimbursement..... 188.40
Christianson, Jennifer
reimbursement..... 35.00
CITY OF NORTHWOOD
water/sewer 739.39
Crozier, Michael
REIMBURSEMENT 408.60
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
bus inspection..... 750.00
EDUCATORS BENEFIT CONSULTANTS, LLC
Flex Plan..... 125.00
FALLGATTER'S MARKET
SUPPLIES..... 634.83
FormativeLoop
supplies..... 126.00
FREMAREK INC
supplies..... 523.02
Humphries, Lacey
mileage..... 216.15
IMAGINE LEARNING LLC
license 297.00
IOWA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS
plaque 52.00
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
medicaid..... 1,100.49
Iowa Water Management Company, boiler service 215.00
John Deere Financial
parts and service..... 34.02
JOSTENS, INC., supplies... 15.30
Kelly Hardware
SUPPLIES..... 190.66
Knudtson Automotive Services
transportation services 4,960.43
Krampitz, Marty
supplies..... 968.68
LARSEN PLUMBING & HEATING, INC., services 369.16
MARTIN BROTHERS
supplies..... 722.55
Medical Enterprises, Inc.
supplies/fees 1,095.00
NASSCO INC, supplies 383.16
Nelson, Jamie
reimbursement..... 188.40
NIACC Continuing Ed Dpt
cont ed..... 188.00
NK VIKING CAFE, cookies 30.00
NORTHWOOD ANCHOR
PUBLICATION..... 137.39
NORTHWOOD ELECTRIC
ELECTRICAL SERVICES460.69
NORTHWOOD SANITATION
garbage 630.00
One Source Background Check Company
background checks..... 30.00
Renwick, Amy
reimbursement..... 85.00
ROOT RIVER HARDWOODS, INC., supplies..... 184.00
SCHILLING SUPPLY COMPANY, supplies 1,125.82
Schleusner-Anderson, Brooke
reimbursement..... 35.00
SCHOOL SPECIALTY LLC
SUPPLIES..... 186.42
Security & Communication Professionals
security services..... 471.00
Smalley, Jordan
reimb supplies..... 117.31
Southern Lock & Glass
lock services..... 666.65
Thorson, Megan
reimb supplies..... 80.93
TIMBERLINE BILLING SERVICE LLC
MEDICAID BILLING..... 21.62
UMB Bank NA
bond payment..... 300.00
Unity School Bus Parts
parts..... 145.52
VIAFIELD, salt 144.00
VISA, supplies..... 716.64
Waldorf University
tuition 1,250.00
WINNEBAGO COOPERATIVE TELECOM ASSN
phone/internet service 698.83
WORTH COUNTY AUDITOR
services 2,654.53
WORTH COUNTY ENGINEER
diesel/gas 1,893.92
Worth Lumber Company
supplies..... 841.27
ELECTRONIC SPECIALTIES, INC, services 2,235.98
fund number 52,942.41
AGWSR SCHOOL, fee..... 80.00
Albert Lea Steel, Inc.
supplies..... 48.00
Amazon Capital Services
SUPPLIES..... 203.69
Barrett, Bruce, official..... 160.00
BEWLEY, ALEX, official.. 782.00
Boerjan, Ben, Official..... 240.00
Bohl, Alex, official 120.00
BUENZOW, HADLEY
spanish trip 782.00
CONLIN, KENNY
spanish trip 782.00
COSTELLO, CHLOE
spanish trip 782.00
DAHLE, TONY, official 120.00
DINGMAN, DAN, official . 120.00
Dramatists Play Service
services 655.00
DUCOMMUN, ALEC
spanish trip 782.00
DUCOMMUN, BRONSON
spanish trip 782.00
Eisentrager, Scott, official 200.00
FALLGATTER'S MARKET
SUPPLIES..... 327.65
Family, Career & Community Leaders of America, fee 140.00
FIEROVA, JADE
spanish trip 782.00
FRANCK, ETHAN
spanish trip 782.00
Goodale, Theran, official... 110.00
Graettinger-Terril High School
fee..... 100.00
GRUNHOVD, JACKSON
spanish trip 782.00
HALSTED, TONY, official 120.00
HANNEMANN, EMILY
spanish trip 782.00
HANSON, MERRIN
spanish trip 782.00
HANSON-BRANDSOY, ALEXANDRIA, spanish trip 782.00
HENGESTEG, EMMA
spanish trip 782.00
Hungerford, Rod, official 80.00
IOWA GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC UNION
fee..... 23.00
Kangas, Tim, official..... 120.00
Kelly Hardware, SUPPLIES26.08
Leber, Brandon, Official ... 120.00
MADSEN, CHRISTOPHER
spanish trip 782.00
MANNING, LOGAN
spanish trip 782.00
MCCONE GOURMET FOODS
supplies..... 1,632.00
McLaughlin, Bob, official.. 110.00
MINNTEX CITRUS
fruit sales..... 24,504.24
MOORE, LINDSEY
spanish trip 782.00
Music in Motion, DJ..... 500.00
NCIBA, fee..... 20.00
Northern Festival of Bands
fee..... 38.00
NORTHWOOD CHIROPRACTIC PC, physical..... 440.00
OCEL, MEGAN
spanish trip 782.00
Pappas, Nicholas, official.... 80.00
PETERSON, DAMARIS
spanish trip 782.00
Pierce, Jake, official..... 200.00
PIKE, TRAVIS, official 320.00
Rice, Dan, official 80.00
RICEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
fee..... 40.00
RUNDE, ADDYSON
spanish trip 782.00
RUSTAD, DUANE
official 80.00
SCARLETT, LINCA
spanish trip 782.00
SCHOOL HEALTH CORPORATION, supplies 274.68
Schroeder, Mel, Official 80.00
SKELLENGER, ASHLYN
spanish trip 782.00
SLATOR, JASON, official. 120.00
Smalley, Jordan
reimb supplies..... 145.89
SNAPPY POPCORN
FFA sales..... 1,448.00
South Winneshiek Community School, fee..... 140.00
SULLIVAN, TOM, official .. 80.00
Suntken, Bennett, official... 80.00
THREADS, supplies..... 505.00
Valdus Performance Clothing LLC, supplies 225.00
VRIEZE, JON, official..... 200.00
Whitehill, Scott, official 480.00
Willert, Cole, official 80.00
WILLSHER, OLIVIA
spanish trip 782.00
WOOLDRIDGE, KARL
official 120.00
WUNDERLICH, CODY
spanish trip 782.00
Fund Number 21..... 53,122.23
Trane US Inc, repairs 1,809.81
Tremco/Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc
repair services..... 2,138.00
Fund Number 33..... 3,947.81
ACCESS SYSTEMS INC
copier lease 1,089.46
MANKATO CONTROL SYSTEMS, repairs..... 2,038.98
NAGLE, ROBERT, Rent... 375.00
Fund Number 36..... 3,503.44
ANDERSON ERICKSON DAIRY
MILK 3,121.49
EMS DETERGENT SERVICES
SUPPLIES..... 95.50
FALLGATTER'S MARKET
SUPPLIES..... 5.16
Fierova & Stephanie Peterson, Joe, official..... 450.00
MARTIN BROTHERS
food/supplies..... 13,934.66
OLSON, ROSE
lunch refund 15.60
PAN-O-GOLD BAKING CO
BREAD 1,661.23
Staples Business Credit
supplies..... 37.94
VISA, supplies..... 365.41
Fund Number 61..... 19,686.99

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Northwood Anchor Legal

Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELAINE E. HUEBNER, Deceased
Probate No. ESPR009383

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

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Elaine E. Huebner, Deceased, who died on or about October 24, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on the December 5, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Elaine E. Huebner, deceased, bearing date of December 10, 1980, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Jeannine M. Peterson was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this November 22, 2023.

Jeannine M. Peterson
4521 Old Mill Road
St. Ansgar, IA 50472
Executor of Estate

Patrick J. Rourick
ICIS#: AT0006843
Patrick J. Rourick Law Office
222 4th Street
P.O. Box 305
Saint Ansgar, IA 50472

Date of second publication 20th day of December, 2023.

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Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
Probate No. ESPR009387

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HAROLD L. QUISLEY, Deceased.

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

To all persons interested in the estate of Harold L. Quisley, deceased, who died on or about November 17, 2023.

You are hereby notified that on December 7, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Harold L. Quisley, deceased, bearing the date of September 22, 2010, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that David A. Quisley was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the District Court of the above county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this Notice or one month from the date of mailing of this Notice to the surviving spouse and all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the Clerk of the above-named District Court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this Notice or one month from the date of mailing of this Notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated December 12, 2023.

David A. Quisley
4824 Mallard Avenue
Northwood, IA 50459
Executor of Estate

John H. Greve
ICIS#: AT003086
Greve Law Office
736 Central Ave.
P.O. Box 167
Northwood, IA 50459
Attorney for Executor

Date of Second Publication 27th day of December, 2023.

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Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
Probate No. ESPR009385

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LOLA A. KNUTSON, Deceased.

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

To all persons interested in the estate of Lola A. Knutson, deceased, who died on or about November 27, 2023.

You are hereby notified that on December 7, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Lola A. Knutson, deceased, bearing the date of February 11, 2020, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Marlin D. Rosenberg was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the District Court of the above county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this Notice or one month from the date of mailing of this Notice to the surviving spouse and all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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Dated this 7th day of December, 2023.

Executor of Estate:
Marlin D. Rosenberg
4596 Warbler Avenue
St. Ansgar, Iowa 50472

Attorney for Executor:
James W. Hackbart
ICIS# AT0003005
Law Office of
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Date of Second Publication 20th day of December, 2023.

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Northwood Anchor Obituaries

Irene Miller

Irene was born on August 10, 1946, in the Bronx, New York, to Robert and Irene Brosan. However, due to her mother's death, she was raised by her aunt and uncle Mary and Bill Armstrong.

At the age of 19 she joined the Marine Corps and was stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. This is where she met and married her first husband, Al Zazueta during their eight year marriage, Al and Irene had three daughters, Teresa, Catherine 'Cathy' and Mary Ellen. After they divorced, Irene and the girls moved to Iowa, where she met Robert 'Bob' Miller. Bob and Irene were married on December 31, 1980, and they had two more children, Robert 'Bobby' and Patricia 'PJ'.

Bob and Irene enjoyed NASCAR, football, cruising and camping. It was said that if you went camping with them, chances are, Irene would have a gallon bucket of frozen margaritas to share! Irene also enjoyed a friendly home game of poker. Although she was convinced her son-in-law, Dennis, cheated, because no one was that lucky!

Irene held several jobs throughout the years but what she truly enjoyed was customer service. During the 80s and 90s, Irene was a customer service representative for Iowa Power in Des



IRENE MILLER

Moines. After leaving that position, she decided to start her own cake decorating business and 'Touch & Taste of Heaven' was born. All of her grandchildren fondly remember the cake tops grandma would save for them every time she baked.

Irene's favorite holiday was Christmas. No one does Christmas like she did! Every year, Irene would have a different color/light/ornament design. If you asked what her plan was, she'd tell you you'd have to come to family Christmas to find out! One year, she even made a guessing game, that had us all guessing how many lights were on the tree! Christmas wasn't just about the lights and decorations for Irene. It was about the giving. Irene was generous the whole year, but Christmas seemed to give her permission to spoil those she loved, as well as strangers. Irene was a faith filled Christian and believed in Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior. She believed the blessings in her life should be shared by blessing others. She did so, in many ways over the years, from giving a wayward teen a place to stay, or feeding a hungry family or adopting a family for Christmas or Thanksgiving, to donating to many charities. And none of that even includes what she's done for her family!

After they both retired, Bob and Irene built a house and moved to Northwood in 2018.

Irene is preceded in death by her granddaughter, Christine Nicole Zazueta.

Irene is survived by her husband, Bob; their five children, Teresa (Velo) Dillard of Des Moines, Catherine 'Cathy' Zazueta of Des Moines, Mary Ellen (Dennis) Rops of Northwood, Robert 'Bobby' (Lacey) Miller of Carlisle and Patricia 'PJ' Miller of Des Moines; their 19 grandchildren, Eric (Jessica), Laura (Justin), Ashley (Ray), Alex (Holly), Marissa, Alyssa (Cody), Bethany (Dave), Marina, Nick (Leanna), Matthew (Mariah), Nathan, Erica, Zack, Kimberly, Michelle, Ally, Samantha, Brandon and Will; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Governor extends harvest proclamation

Governor Kim Reynolds recently signed an extension of the proclamation relating to the weight limits and transportation of grain, fertilizer, and manure.

The proclamation is effective immediately and continues through January 11, 2024. 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.

Bolan

Make note there will be no Sunday morning (Christmas Eve Day) services at the Bolan Trinity United Methodist Church. Everyone is invited to attend the Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on the 24th starting at 6:30 p.m.

On Monday evening Joe and Linda Nydegger met Larry and Michele Nydegger at the NRHEG "Holiday Concert" held in New Richland, Minnesota. Evelyn, a high school senior, participated in the band program.

Sunday afternoon Joe and Linda were able to join Loren and Renee Nydegger and Anna, a student at UNI, and Ben who attends Wartburg, at the Mt. Vernon High School Performing Arts Center for their "Home for the Holidays" Concerts. The High School Choirs program was entitled "Alway Something Sings." Clare was in the Treble Choir. In the band she was in the Swingin' Stangs Jazz Ensemble and the Concert Band.

Northwood Anchor Club notes

Twenties Club meets on December 11

Fourteen members of 20s Club met on Monday, December 11 at the Olson Room with Connie Hogen as hostess and Becky Tews, co-hostess. Each member was given a game sheet "Christmas Survey Says" to start off the evening.

Becky Hickman, president, called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and Delores Knudson, treasurer, gave her report. Instead of a Christmas ornament exchange, members were asked to bring $10 to be given to a local food pantry. $210 had been collected.

There was no old or new business. Just a reminder there will be no meetings in January or February and the March meeting will be on Monday, March 11 at 7 p.m. at the Olson Room.

A new member's name was brought up to send a letter asking her if she would be interested in joining 20s club.

The meeting was adjourned.

In keeping with the DIY theme, team members Connie Hogen and Becky Tews provided a "cookie" to decorate. Each member made a Christmas card with a gingerbread man theme. After everyone was finished, members played another game trying to come up with the most Christmas words using the word Christmas.

A cookie exchange was held, with member also sampling the cookies along with cheese, crackers, coffee and hot apple cider.

Supervisors

December 11, 2023
Forty-ninth 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 December 4, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve the final payment for FM – CO98(82)—55-98 HMA Resurfacing Contract #038595. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve work order for DD #4 Main submitted by Craig Haugsdal. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve work order for DD #18 submitted by Paul Tenold. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve drainage claims in the amount of $472.70 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Northwood Anchor, DD #14, Legal Notice.....$111.57
Northwood Anchor, DD #34, Legal Notice.....$111.13
Rich Honsey, DD #7 Main, Beaver Trapping.....$250.00
Grand Total.....$472.70

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve two proposed constructed wetlands described below. Motion carried.

The Petersburg Project is East of the Railroad on the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 3, T98N, R22W, Worth Co. According to the Beacon GIS map, this project is in DD #68 and proposes to intercept Main 14-inch diameter tile and outlet it in the wetland, where the tile water would be treated for nitrate removal before reconnecting to the 16-inch diameter main tile SE of the proposed Wetland (Please refer to the plans). Also, the existing Lateral L-1 (6 or 7-inch diameter tile) would be intercepted and outlet in the wetland for nitrate removal. This wetland project would also include a Saturated Buffer on the south side of the conservation easement, for enhanced denitrification.

The "Duesenberg" (Flyaway Farms) project is proposed West of the Railroad on the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 3, T98N, R22W, Worth Co. According to the Beacon GIS map, this project is in DD #23 and proposes to intercept a fraction of the flow of Main Ditch #7. Due to limited elevation, a sump pump would be installed to pump a fraction of the flow from Main Ditch #7 into the proposed constructed wetland, where the nitrates would be removed from the water before is discharged back into Main Ditch #7 on the South side of the proposed wetland.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve claims in the amount of $38,693.93 as per the following schedule. Motion carried.

At&T Mobility
Service-Shf..... 1,843.54
Auto Works Inc
Vehicle-Eng 29,950.00
City Of Kensett
Service-Eng 33.24
City Of Manly
Service-Eng 62.30
Culligan Of Mason City
Service-Phd..... 89.20
Galls, Llc
Supplies-Shf 18.69
Sorenson's Appliance & Tv
Service-Shf..... 351.00
Verizon Wireless
Service-Ema 40.01
Wex Bank, Service-Tra ... 2,599.04
Winnebago Coop Telephone Assn
Service-Gsr 3,706.91
Grand Total 38,693.93

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

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve the change in Class E Retail Alcohol License for Kum & Go #119. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve Resolution #2023-41 to Approve Participation in Winnebago River Watershed Management Authority Agreement. Roll call: Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye; Loberg – Aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in auditor's office).

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to acknowledge the FY25 Compensation Board recommendations. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to adjourn at 9:18 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Enos Loberg, Chairperson

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
Probate No. ESPR009386
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WANDA S. HOFFMAN, Deceased.
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To all persons interested in the estate of Wanda S. Hoffman, deceased, who died on or about November 23, 2023.

You are hereby notified that on December 6, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Wanda S. Hoffman, deceased, bearing the date of April 24, 1995, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Raymond D. Hoffman was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the District Court of the above county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this Notice or one month from the date of mailing of this Notice to the surviving spouse and all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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Dated December 6, 2023.
Raymond D. Hoffman
209 North 13th Street
Northwood, IA 50459
Executor of Estate

John H. Greve
ICIS#: AT003086
Greve Law Office
736 Central Ave.
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HS Vocal ..... Sat, 6 pm
Clarion-Goldfield-Dows
HS Band/Vocal ..... Sat, 8pm
Clear Lake
HS Band .....Sat, 12:30 pm
HS Vocal .....Mon, 2 pm
Forest City
HS Band ..... Sat, 5 pm
HS Vocal .....Mon, 10 am
MS Band .....Mon, 5 pm
MS Vocal ..... Sat, 11 am
Garner-Hayfield-Ventura
HS Band .....Mon, 11 am
HS Vocal ..... Sat, 3 pm
Hancock County Little Theatre
..... Fri, 8 pm
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Service FC ..... Sun, 5 pm
Lake Mills
5/6 Band/Vocal ..... Fri, 7 pm
HS Band/Vocal .....Mon, 4 pm
MS Band/Vocal ..... Sat, 7 pm
Newman Catholic
HS Band/Vocal .....Mon, 8 pm
North Iowa
Elementary .....Mon, 3 pm
HS Band/Vocal ..... Sat, 1 pm
MS Band/Vocal ..... Fri, 6 pm
Northwood-Kensett
HS Band/Vocal ..... Sat, 4 pm
United Methodist Church
Service FC ..... Sun, 6 pm
West Hancock
Elementary ..... Sat, 2 pm
HS Band/Vocal .....Mon, 7 pm
MS Band/Vocal ..... Sun, 7 pm









Shopping with the cops

The duties for deputies and other employees of the Worth County Sheriff's Office once again included spreading some holiday cheer recently, with the annual Shop with a Cop event. Using funds donated to the program, WCSO deputies joined families in need as the holidays approached. The deputies and their young shopping partners met at Mill's Fleet Farm in Mason City. They had to buy at least one item they needed, such as winter clothing. They could use the rest of the money they received to buy gifts for themselves and their families. KK Photography helped capture the event in the images above.

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Love Cass

Dear Santa,
You are cool! I love you! You are the best! I want Spider-men, Thor, Godzilla! Captain Ameica, Shark Puppet, Mandalorian, Hawkeye shoes!

From Harris Waller

Dear Santa,
What for Christmas is big county toys. then I whant a rc car. then I whant gooden pokemon cards. then i whant a big box and a big girle breyer horses and a baby breyer horse. and then I whant a tractor with a forck that canun detach and utack to rantr. then I whant a remot conchrol tracter for chrmas. Whant es I whant is a cuputer that haves pockey mon and then I whant a rc car xovater cemot cutrol one and then for dump trucks and same for a big scooter.

Justin Shoars

Dear Santa,
Are you ready for Christmas? I certainly am! I've been a good boy this year. How are Mrs. Claus and the reindeer doing? What is Rudolph's favorite food? I'd like a monster truck and a Hot Wheels set for Christmas. I'm also hoping for some surprises!

Love Emmet Urbatsch

Dear Santa,
This is Kinley Thompson and this year I am 8 years old. All year long I have been maybe both nice and naughty. For Christmas this year I would like: Elf pet stuff, slime kits, bag for my elf pet, mini elf pet. When you are here tonight, please watch out for: Mom. Merry Christmas Santa.

Love Kinley

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I woulb like a phone and the black Squish mellow cats. I woulb like some lol dolls.

Love Cambria Schreiber

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a 1. Slime 2. Clay 3. 4. And I hope to have a kittin 5. Pokemon 6. beads 7. cats 8. stufanmalls 9. a chrafing tabal 10. bike 11. A baby horse 12. Candey 13. Paper 14. three 15. 16. Candycane 17. hope

Love Addy Love Addy

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl this year. I am helpful, kind & a great helper. For Christmas I would like: Cooluz Makery Oven, Hatchimals with 3 eggs, Barbie with dog puppies, Dog house, Ferbie, magix Mixie Pixie. Merry Christmas.

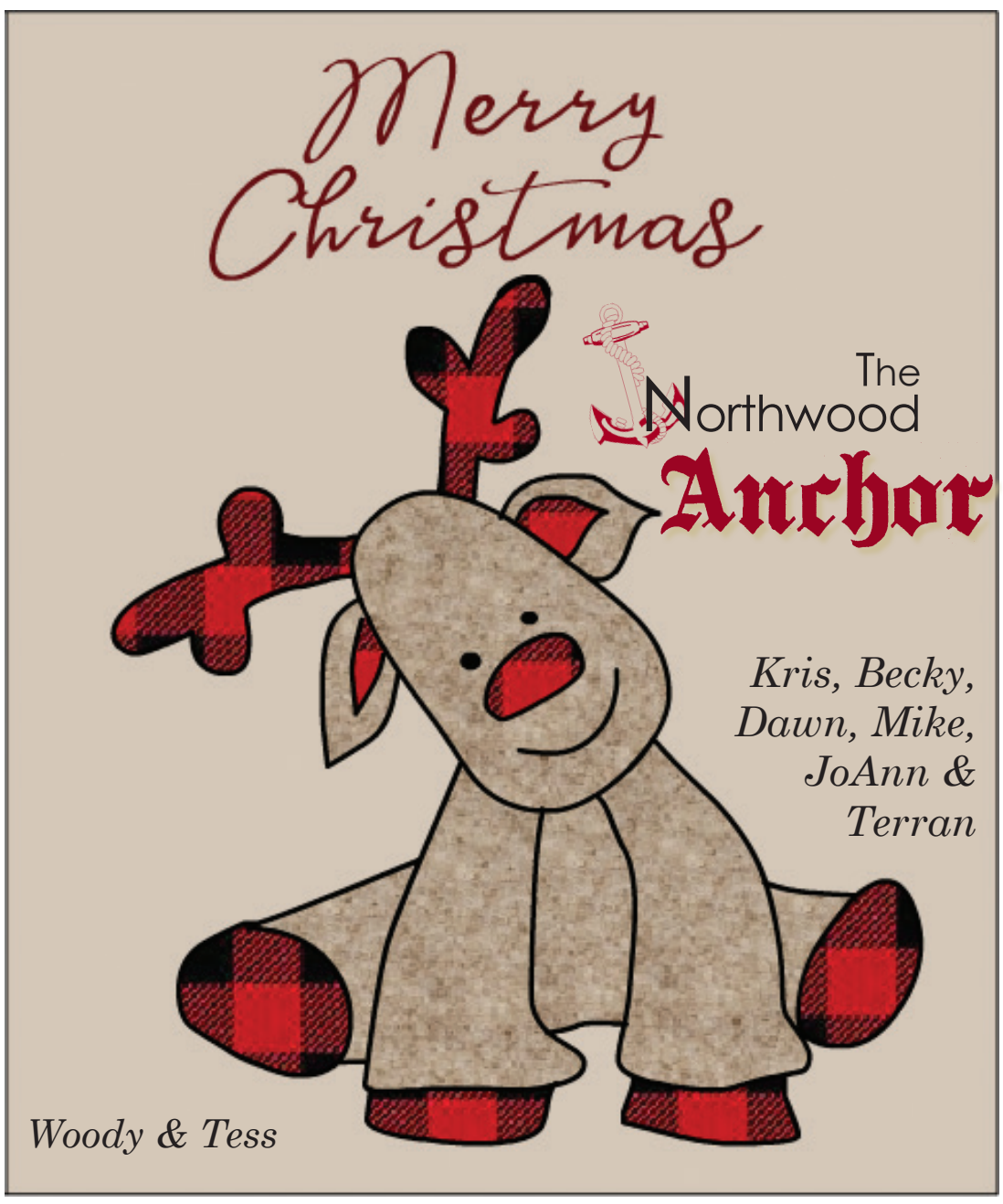
Love Jaydin Poole

Dear Santa,
May you bring me Roblos, zomdime Snake Nerf gun, Infinety Gauntlet, Paint set with canvases, mini brands and Robux. What are some elves names? Merry Christmas!

Bralynn L

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer? We have been nice this year. We both want Bob Ross stuff animals. We would also like suprises too.

Sincerely, Ivy and Olivia







Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,
Santa I think I have been a very good girl. But sometimes I'm a little bit mean to my Brother but I still think that I am on the nice list. So I wold like to let you know what I wan't for chritsmas. so here are some things, I would like OMG Dolls, LOL Dolls, some paint and a canvas to go with it, some mini brands and gabby's Dollhouse and that's all! I'm going to share my stuf that I get from you with my family and friends!
Love you're friend, Briley

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like Squishamellows. I would like rowdus bucks. I would like stich stuff. I would like a mat. I would like nails. I would like electric scotter. I would like pokemon, I would like crafts stuff. I would like books. I would like balence beam. I would like earings. I would like a new tablit cas. I would like stich blackis. I would like a stich nitlite. I would like a stich plilow. I would like a stich cot. I would like stich shos. I would like stich head bab. I ben good this year cen I hear all av thes stuff Santa plesey.
from Albert Lea

Dear Santa,
My name is Grady. I'm 6 years old. This year I was: always very nice, mostly pretty good. Can you please bring me...RC car, phon, laptop. Snacks I'll leave out for you: cane, melk. Fly safe Santa!
Love Grady Walk

Dear Santa,
My name is Xander. I'm 6 years old. This year I was: sometimes a little naughty (but still nice, though). Can you please bring me...combine, tractor. Snacks I'll leave out for you: melck, cookies. Fly safe Santa!
Love Xander Gentz

Dear Santa,
My name is Izaac. I'm 7 years old. This year I was: mostly pretty good. Can you please bring me...Playstation 5, ipad, iphone 14 white. Snacks I'll leave out for you: cookies, milk. Fly safe Santa!
Love Izaac Lockey

Dear Santa,
My name is Jaxon. I'm 7 years old. This year I was: Always very nice, mostly pretty good, sometimes a little naughty (but still nice, though). Can you please bring me...iphone 14, intendoe, agar. Snacks I'll leave out for you: cookies, milk. Fly safe Santa!
Love Jaxon Noah

Dear Santa,
My name is Nate. I'm 7 years old. This year I was: mostly pretty good. Can you please bring me...XBox, Ram Truck, RC Car. Snacks I'll leave out for you: coolks. Fly safe Santa!
Love Nate Dralla

Dear Santa,
My name is Sophia. I'm 6 years old. This year I was: mostly pretty good. Can you please bring me...1000 dollars, Iphone Pro 14, IPad. Snacks I'll leave out for you: Milk, cookies. Fly safe Santa!
Love Sophia Hulshizer

Dear Santa,
My name is Addy. I'm 6 years old. This year I was: Always very nice, mostly pretty good, sometimes a little naughty (but still nice, though). Can you please bring me...cats, dogs, Iphone 14. Snacks I'll leave out for you: Coocaz, milk. Fly safe Santa!
Love Adalynn Flattum

Dear Santa,
My name is Evan. I'm 6 1/2 years old. This year I was: Always very nice, mostly pretty good, sometimes a little naughty a little at home (but still nice, though). Can you please bring me...tractors, digger, car, gator, nentendo swich. Snacks I'll leave out for you: cookies, milk. Fly safe Santa!
Love Evan Krull

Dear Santa,
My name is Michael. This year I was: mostly pretty good. Can you please bring me...Phone, dinosaur, train. Snacks I'll leave out for you: Cooces, mike. Fly safe Santa!
Love Michael Murphree

Dear Santa,
My name is Hunter. I'm 6 years old. This year I was: always very nice. Can you please bring me...toy tractors, toy trucks, toy rug. Snacks I'll leave out for you: Milk, cookies. Fly safe Santa!
Love Hunter King

Dear Santa,
My name is Angelina. I'm 7 years old. This year I was: always very nice, mostly pretty good. Can you please bring me...Bendy Barbies, lol house, Barbie dream house. Snacks I'll leave out for you: fruit snacks, crackers. Fly safe Santa!
Love Angelina Thomas

Dear Santa,
My name is Sophia. I'm 6 years old. This year I was: mostly pretty good. Can you please bring me...1000 dollars, Iphone Pro 14, IPad. Snacks I'll leave out for you: Milk, cookies. Fly safe Santa!
Love Sophia Hulshizer

Dear Santa,
My name is Joslynn. I'm 7 years old. This year I was: always very nice. Can you please bring me...A now phon, A a pupe. Snacks I'll leave out for you: cukey, mlik. Fly safe Santa!
Love Joslynn Beresford

Dear Santa,
My name is Brynlee. I'm 6 years old. This year I was: Always very nice, mostly pretty good & sometimes a little naughty (but still nice, though). Can you please bring me...LOL, OMG grs. Snacks I'll leave out for you: cookies, milk. Fly safe Santa!
Love Brynlee Haberman

Dear Santa,
My name is Kase. I'm 7 years old. Can you please bring me...Xbox X series, T.V., controller. Snacks I'll leave out for you: Milk, cookies. Fly safe Santa!
Love Kase Bachtle

Dear Santa,
My name is Cadence. I'm 6 years old. This year I was: sometimes a little naughty (but still nice, though). Can you please bring me... Polly Pocket, Barbie Dream House, Barbies. Snacks I'll leave out for you: Milk, cookies and brownies. Fly safe Santa!
Love Cadence Duncomb

Dear Santa,
My name is Wyatt. I'm 7 years old. This year I was: always very nice, mostly pretty good, sometimes a little naughty (but still nice though). Can you please bring me...a huur borb, 2 morrex is, a tv. Snacks I'll leave out for you: cukces, carits and mlck. Fly safe Santa!
Love Wyatt Trenhaile

Dear Santa,
My name is Lucas. I'm 6 years old. This year I was: always very nice. Can you please bring me...rc car, Hot coco Bor, chicken looo. Snacks I'll leave out for you: cooceuoes, milc, gold fish. Fly safe Santa!
Love Lucas Smith

Dear Santa,
My name is Peyton. I'm 7 years old. This year I was: always very nice, mostly pretty good. Can you please bring me...IPad, choclate, mune. Snacks I'll leave out for you: cookes, mike. Fly safe Santa!
Love Peyton Ring

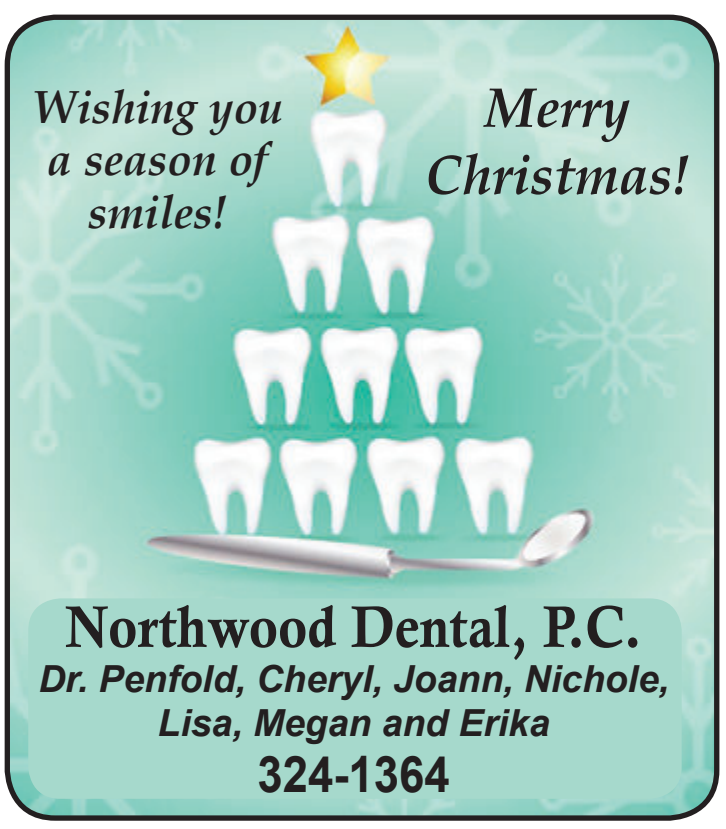
Dear Santa,
My name is Jayn. I'm 6 years old. This year I was: always very nice. Can you please bring me...Nintendo game, Barbie dream house, accessones. Snacks I'll leave out for you: a cookie, candey cane. Fly safe Santa!
Love Jayn Iverson











Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,
My name is Jackson. Can you please bring me...rc car, skate board, x-box. Snacks I'll leave out for you: milk, cookies. Fly safe Santa!
Love Jackson Ziemann

Dear Santa,
LOL, color reveal, dolls, bike, Disney World, glitter, butterfly, councy balls.
Cambria

Dear Santa,
What I would like for Christmas, IPad, VR, PS5, XBox 360, IPhone 15 Pro Max
Love Paxton

Dear Santa,
My name is Gwendolyn and I am 1 years old. This year, I have been very nice. For Christmas please bring me little people toys, frozen stuff, clothes.
Love Gwendolyn Monson

Dear Santa,
My name is Kjirsti. I'm 6 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas, please bring me stuffy balls, pink marbles.
Love Kjirsti Love

Dear Santa,
My name is Brynia and I am 1 1/2 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas, please bring me baby doll w/stroller, balance bike, art supplies.
Love Brynia Tornes

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl this year, I am silly, helpful and fun. I will not bite my friends and I will not pick on my sissy. I would like a few presents: Moo Moo toy, Anna doll, Bird cage toy, Doggie toy. Thank you very much and have a great year!
Presley Jade Poole

Dear Santa,
I like toys I think I want five or six tyos so please can I have some monster Jam trucks please and a inflatubule slide please and can I please have a mini xmas tree please can I have a star on to please can I have a Goofy stuffie. can I have a Mickey stuffie. an I have a dolnld stuffie please and thank you.
Chandler Hulshizer

Dear Santa,
My name is Jax and I am 10 year old. This year, I have been very nice. For Christmas, please bring me figgets, pokeman cards, lego set, nerf gun, buld a tent set.
Jax Love

Dear Santa,
As I have been really, really good this year, can you please make the list of toys below for me in your toy factory...bubbles, bike, toy horse. I will leave a glass of milk for you and carrots for the reindeer.
Lots of love
Ella Stevens

Dear Santa,
As I have been really, really good this year, can you please make the list of toys below for me in your toy factory...Pikachu, number blocks, dinosaur magnets. I will leave a glass of milk for you and carrots for the reindeer.
Lots of love
Adelaide Aronofsky

Dear Santa,
As I have been really, really good this year, can you please make the list of toys below for me in your toy factory...watch, lego truck, lego car. I will leave a glass of milk for you and carrots for the reindeer.
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Lots of love
Hayden Schiller-Langreck

Dear Santa,
As I have been really, really good this year, can you please make the list of toys below for me in your toy factory...Marshal plusby, rare pokemon box, Ryan's world set. I will leave a glass of milk for you and carrots for the reindeer.

Lots of love
Aeson Eisiliones

Dear Santa,
As I have been really, really good this year, can you please make the list of toys below for me in your toy factory...doll house, Elsa, treasure. I will leave a glass of milk for you and carrots for the reindeer.

Lots of love
Sophia Joyce

Dear Santa,
As I have been really, really good this year, can you please make the list of toys below for me in your toy factory...doll house, Elsa, treasure. I will leave a glass of milk for you and carrots for the reindeer.

Lots of love
Sophia Joyce

Dear Santa,
My name is Ella I am 4 years old. I have been mostly good this year. I would like Bluey house, Spidey toy, American Girl doll, chothes for doll. Thank you Santa I hope you have a great year. Can't wait to track you on Christmas Eve.

Love,
Ella Heiken

Dear Santa,
My name is Xennyn. I would like a Star Wars lego Darth Vader Mech.

Love Xennyn Flatness

Dear Santa,
My name is Zaydah. For Christmas I would like a stroller for my baby doll!

Love Zaydah Flatness

Dear Santa,
This Christmas, I am 5 years old. This year, I have been nice. My Christmas wishes are...football, fishing pole, snow/leaf blower. Merry Christmas Santa! I'll be waiting for you on Christmas Eve with cookies & milk!

Love Koen Bachtle

Dear Santa,
This Christmas, I am 4 years old. This year, I have been nice. My Christmas wishes are...Legos, Barbies, make-up. Merry Christmas Santa! I'll be waiting for you on Christmas Eve with cookies & milk!

Love Sadie Johnson



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Dear Santa,
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Please you can surprise me and gifts please and a Furby please.

From Sophia

From Hilde to Santa
I would like a real reindeer that flies and it fits 3 people please.
Marshmelo blaster please. Star Wars toys and PJs please. Taco Cat Goat Cheese Pizza on the flip side please.

Dear Santa,
My name is Andie Jo. I am 9 years old. I have been mostly good this year.
I would like American Girl doll, clothes for a doll, Squish penquinz, clips hairs. Thank you Santa. I hope you have a great year. Can't wait to track you on Christmas Eve

Love,
Andie

Dear Santa,
My name is Susie! I am 3 so my mom is writing for me. I hope you have a Merry Christmas! I have been a very good girl! Please bring me Barbies, Ken too, and Scooby Doo things!

Thank you Susie Elliot

Dear Santa,
My name is Akaylah and I am 13 years old. I have been a good girl this year. I would like a blow dryer for Chritmas. Merry Christmas!

Love Akaylah Flatness

Dear Santa,
This Christmas, I am 1 years old. this year, I have been nice. My Christmas wishes are...School bus, sports balls, music player. Merry Christmas Santa!

Love Reid Stevens

Dear Santa,
My name is Brextyn. I am 9 years old, for Christmas I would like a Lego Technic set. Merry Christmas!

Love Brextyn Flatness

Dear Santa,
I would like an electric scooter.

Love Odin Long

Dear Santa,
My name is Dawson - I am 6 years old.
My Christmas List:
Pokemon
Dinos

Dear Santa,
My name is Reagan Sue and I promise not to wake up to see you on Christmas Eve. I have been a good girl but I will work on sharing with my sister. I would very much like a rapunzel toy, a Barbie camper, a magic mixie and a new small bag to keep my little toys in. I hope Mrs. Claus is doing well. I love Rudolph!
I love you Santa!

Love,
Reagan

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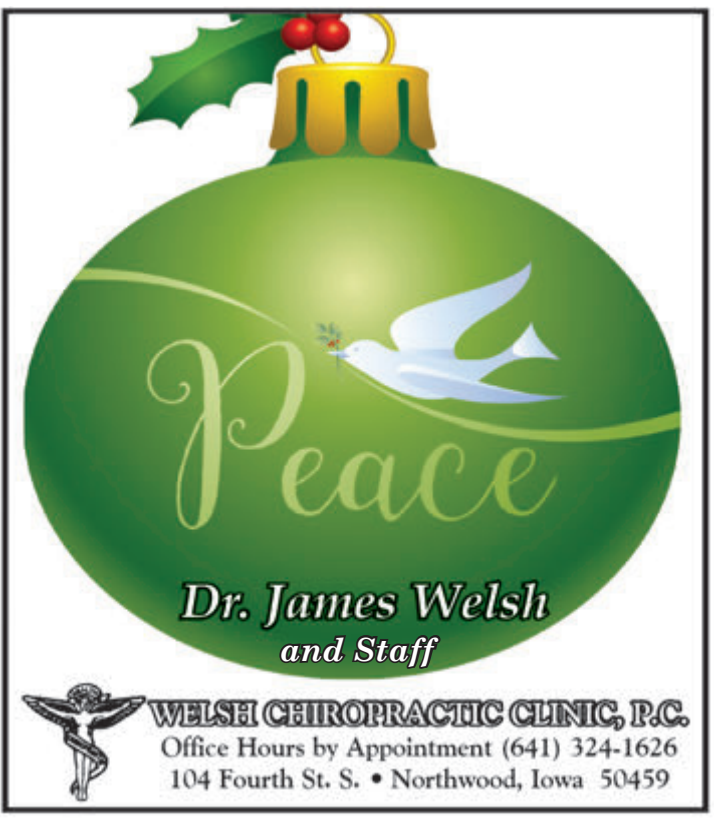
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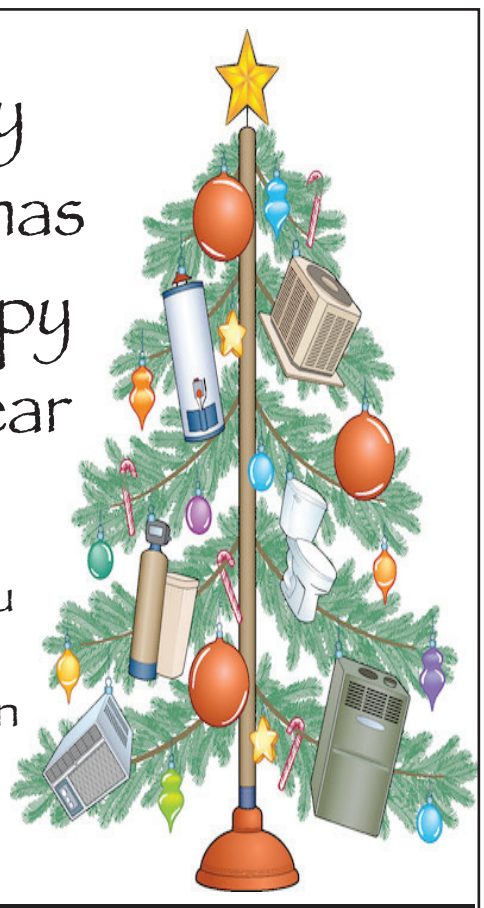
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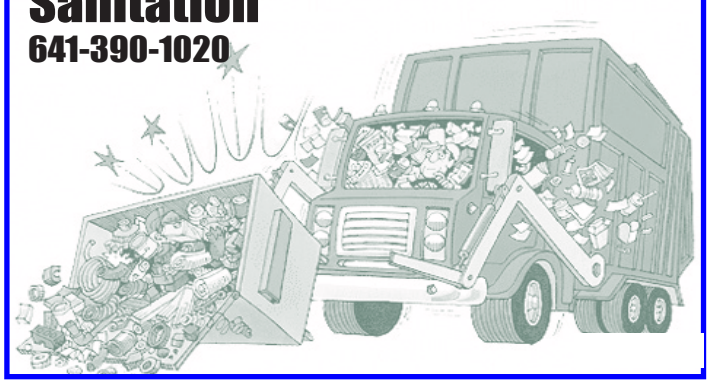


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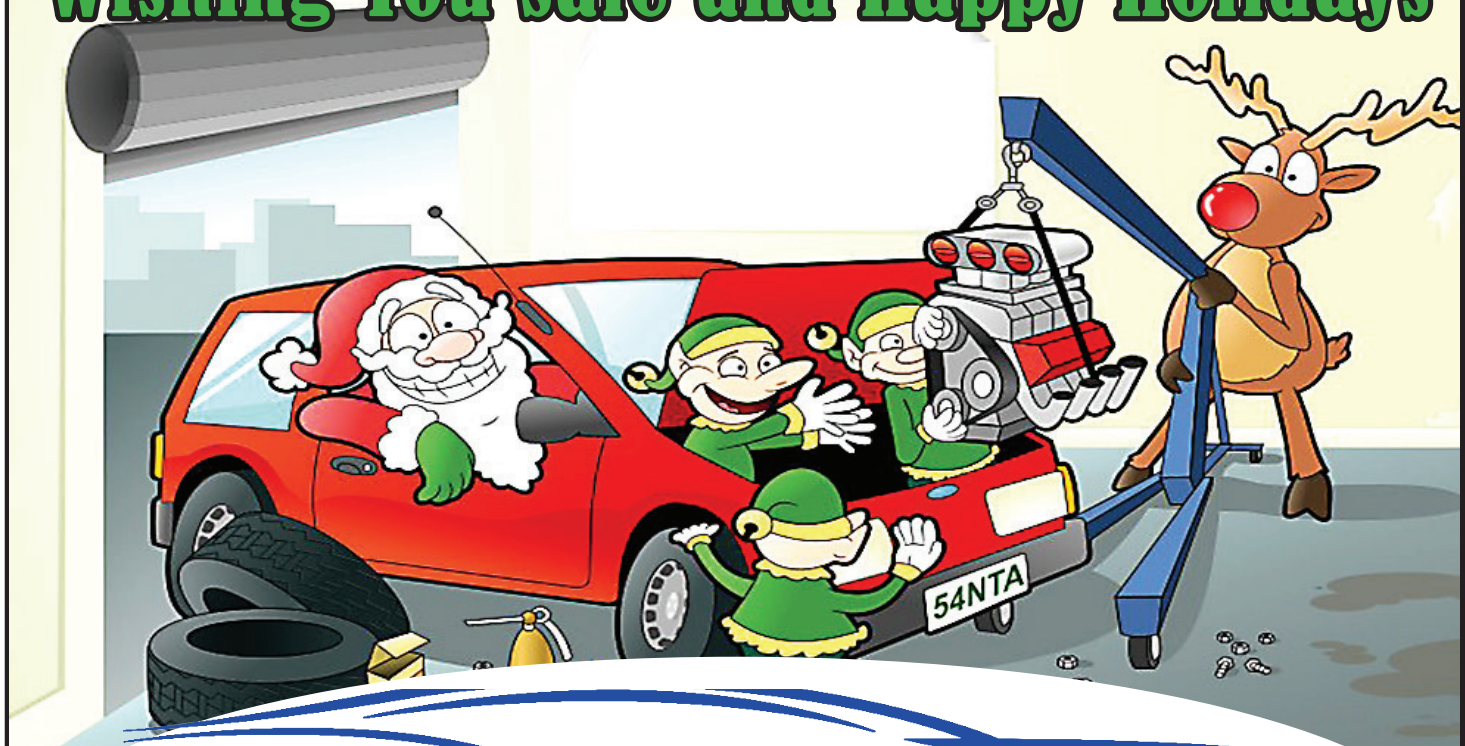
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Love Karsyn

Santa,
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Your Friend, Cole

Jayla's Christmas list
Bubble (skincare)
Camera film
Stuff for my hampster
Skin care
Makeup
Claw clips

Dear Santa,
My name is Olivia. For Christmas, I would like a LOL doll, bunny pens in multi-colors (these pens have bunny head tops), a bunny pastel colored Squishmallow, a black Hawkeye hoodie with yellow writing, a Santa hat of my own, a REALLY soft blanket for my bed like Grandma's snowflake blanket. Please bring my Daddy a Christmas mug and for Momm a unicorn Squishmallow.
I think I have been a good girl this year.
I love you Santa.
Thank you, Olivia

Dear Santa,
My names is James. For Christmas, I would like a big wite snowflake, a blue monster truck, a choo-choo train with tracks and a race car (red please) and some new Hawkeye clothes. I have been a good boys this year. I moved with my family to the white house, so I hope you can find me!
I love you Santa!
Thank you
Bye James

Dear Santa,
My name is Julia. For Christmas, I would like a unicorn round Squishmallow, a bady doll like Grandma's Jackie doll, a mermaid bracelet, a pink and purple headband with pearls on it. Please bring a necklace for my mommy.
I think I have been a good girl this year.
I like you Santa
Thank you, Julia
Merry Christmas!

Dear Santa,
My name is Amelia. I am 5 years old. I have been a good girl this year but I will work on not fighting with my twin sister. I would very much like a new Barbie camper, cookie maker, magic mixies, Anna tony for my tony box and an Ariel castle. We know we can't get everything but would be very happy with the Barbie camper and the magic mixies
Thank you very much and I love you Santa. And I love your reindeer, too! And I promise to not wake up to see you when it's Christmas Eve.
Love,
Amelica





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