

Presley visits studio where her namesake once sang

As a special surprise for her birthday, one local girl got to stand where a musical legend lived and recorded his songs.

For Jason Rollene, Elvis Presley is no doubt the favorite musician of his life.

Amongst the many ways that Jason has shown his love of the King of Rock and Roll, is naming his daughter after the musical legend.

Fortunately for Elvis' young namesake, Presley Rollene inherited her Dad's love of the King.

So as she was set to turn 8 on February 14 this year, her parents surprised her with a trip to Graceland during an annual weekend of tributes to Elvis' music.

The visit to Graceland was Presley's first and Jason's third.

They enjoyed the chance to see where Elvis lived, the exhibits that display Presley history and all that Graceland offers his fans.

The weekend's activities also brought a truly once-in-a lifetime chance to visit another milestone location in Elvis' life.

The Ultimate Elvis Tribute Weekend was held February 9-11. During the weekend, 8 of the best Elvis tribute artists performed,

sharing music from all the eras and decades of the King's career.

Besides getting to hear her favorite songs, "CC Rider" and "That's Alright Mama," Presley also got to hear them perform a special rendition of "Happy Birthday" to her live on stage.

The Rollenes were hanging around after that Sunday's special gospel show when one of the tribute artists, Cody Slaughter, invited the family and another couple to go with him to Sun Studios, where Elvis recorded many of his biggest songs.

It was a truly special invitation, as most people don't get the chance to visit the studio when they make the trip to Graceland.

While there, the Rollenes got the chance to watch Slaughter record his version of Elvis tunes. But, more monumental for the Elvis fans was the chance to stand in the same place Elvis once stood and even hold one of the microphones Elvis used as he recorded some of their favorite tunes.

Needless to say, it was a truly special way to celebrate an eighth birthday.

"It was really neat," Presley, see Page 2



PRESLEY ROLLENE

Worth taxpayers to receive tax rate mailing

A recent law change requires county auditors to mail a statement to county taxpayers by March 20 with state-specified information related to proposed local government budgets and proposed property tax rates. (Iowa Code 24.2A)

The information is for taxes payable in September 2024 and March 2025. You should receive a statement if you expect to receive a property tax bill in September.

The statement is not a property tax bill. It includes data for proposed city, school district and county budgets but does not include proposed budgets for smaller taxing authorities, such as the community college, assessor's office, townships and agricultural extension service.

The purpose of the statement is to provide taxpayers with information about the proposed city, school district and county budgets in time for the taxpayers to address the proposals at public hearings held before the budgets are approved. The date, time and location of the hearings are included in the statement. The budgets may be lowered after the hearings but not raised.

Included on the statement is the impact of the proposed city, school and county property tax rates on both a \$100,000 residential property and \$100,000 commercial property.

The actual impact of the tax rates on property could be quite different than the examples in the statement, which do not factor any possible change in the assessed value. If your property value was recently reassessed to a higher amount, the example on the statement will not accurately reflect the effect of your valuation increase on your property taxes.

Taxpayers owning more than one property may receive multiple letters if those properties are in different tax districts.

Additional information regarding the budget statement will be made available online at dom.iowa.gov/property-taxes on or after March 20, 2024.

Briefs

N-K Easter Egg-Stravaganza March 23

Northwood-Kensett will host an Easter Egg-Stravaganza next Saturday, March 23, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

A number of Easter activities and crafts will be held.

An Easter egg hunt will take place at 11:45 a.m.

Activities are available with a free will donation to benefit Manna of Worth County food shelves.



Iowa DNR to begin annual spring burning

Iowa DNR to begin annual spring burning The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will be conducting prescribed burns this spring on wildlife management areas managed by the Iowa DNR's Clear Lake Wildlife Unit in Cerro Gordo, Franklin, Hancock, Winnebago, Worth and Wright counties.

Areas scheduled for prescribed burns are Union Hills, Bailey Creek and Ventura Marsh in Cerro Gordo County; Gabrielson and Lake Edwards in Hancock County; Pilot Knob, Good Neighbors Marsh, Myre Slough, Rice Lake, Buffalo Center Wetlands, Hogsback Marsh, and Harmon Lake in Winnebago County; Hanlontown Slough, Elk Creek, Grass DNR, see Page 2

Primary election candidate filing continues

The election to decide who will represent political parties for county, state and federal offices will be held this June. Those that would like to appear as a candidate to represent a political party can currently file.

The primary election asks voters in each political party to choose who will represent them in the November general election.

Those that would like to appear on primary ballots, including those that would like to represent the Democratic, Libertarian or Republican parties for Primary, see Page 2

Iowa Democratic preference numbers announced

With the presidential election on the way this November, Iowa caucuses had traditionally been the first in the nation to choose a presidential candidate for their parties. While Iowa Republicans continued the tradition, the Democrats opted to have their party members mail in their presidential preference after caucus time.

On Monday, January 15, both parties held caucuses in Iowa.

Republicans held their traditional caucuses, discussing platforms, choosing delegates and other party business. They also cast ballots for who they would like to represent their party in the presidential election.

Democratic, see Page 2



Celebrating Dr. Seuss

March 2 was the birthday of Theodor Geisel, aka Dr. Seuss. The author's birthday is recognized each year with Read Across America Week. At N-K Elementary, that meant several days of activities, including fun and games in the library, a Seuss birthday party, an assembly with guest appearances by Dr. Seuss characters and of course, a meal of green eggs and ham.

See page 10 for more Dr. Seuss pictures

The Week's WEATHER			
by National Weather Service			
Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. March 5	52	17	
Wed. March 6	56	19	
Thurs. March 7	54	33	
Fri. March 8	44	22	
Sat. March 9	41	18	
Sun. March 10	53	14	
Mon. March 11	53	33	

Presley
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Presley said of the trip.

"I couldn't believe we got to be there," Jason added. "I've been a fan all my life and I didn't think I'd ever get to do something like

that."

And with that once in a lifetime Elvis fan experience checked off, Presleys simply said, "I want to go back."



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Green beer and driving don't mix

From the Iowa
Department of Public
Safety:

The Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau (GTSB) is partnering with law enforcement across Iowa March 13-21 to remind drivers: Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving.

St. Patrick's Day celebrations in the United States extend as far back as the American colonial period. Today, it's one of our nation's most popular holidays, celebrated with festivals, parades, and parties. These celebrations frequently feature themed cocktails and green pints,

and the amount of alcohol consumed is higher than average. People are more likely to make poor decisions as a result, including driving while intoxicated.

Because St. Patrick's Day falls on a Sunday, we anticipate alcohol consumption will increase throughout the weekend. We ask everyone to celebrate responsibly. Last March, there were 26 traffic fatalities on Iowa roads. Almost 40% of those occurred the week of St. Patrick's Day (March 11-19, 2023).

GTSB also reminds drivers to watch for pedestrians. An increase in alcohol

consumption and pedestrian traffic can be a dangerous combination. If you're on foot, cross streets in well-lit areas and use the crosswalks.

GTSB Bureau Chief Brett Tjepkes says, "Don't turn a day of fun into a tragic and devastating time by driving while intoxicated. It's vital people plan ahead. If you wait until you've been drinking to make a smart decision, you might not. Designate a sober driver, call a taxi, or use a rideshare service. Our law enforcement partners will be looking for impaired drivers."

If you find yourself drunk and stranded with your vehicle, give the keys to a sober driver who can safely drive you home. Remind your friends to never get in the vehicle with a drunk driver. If you have a friend who is about to drive drunk, take away their keys and help them get home safely.

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

Meanwhile, for Iowa Democrats the January caucuses including discussion of platforms and choosing delegates to future party commissions.

Iowa Democrats did not choose presidential candidates at the January caucuses. Instead, they were asked to request and mail in forms to signal their preferred presidential candidate.

The results of the mail in count were announced last week on March 5, showing lower participation at the state and local level.

Statewide, 12,207 Iowa Democrats took part in the process. President Joseph Biden was the chosen candidate, with 11,083 votes or 90.79%. That was compared to 362 votes, or 2.97% for

Dean B. Philips and 268 votes or 2.20% for Marianne D. Williamson.

From Worth County, 12 Democrats sent in their presidential preferences. Of those 8 chose Biden, 3 chose Philips and 1 chose Williamson.

At the January 15 Republican Caucus, 110,298 Iowa Republicans took part, with Donald Trump receiving 56,260, or 51% of the vote. At the time Ron DeSantis, Nikki Haley, Vivek Ramaswamy, Asa Hutchinson and Ryan Binkley were still appearing as choices.

At the Republican caucus 290 Worth County voters took part and cast votes, with 194, or 66.90% choosing Donald Trump.

DNR
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Lake, and Rice Lake in Worth County; Lower Morse Lake in Wright County.

Prescribed burns are used to improve wildlife habitat, control invasive plant species, restore and maintain native plant communities and reduce wildfire potential and vary in size from a few acres to several hundred acres. Burn units are typically on a 4-5 year rotation.

Prescribed burns typically begin mid to late morning

and are completed by late afternoon or early evening between mid-March and mid-May. Burns will be conducted on a day that meets the objectives and weather conditions defined in the burn plan. Any prescribed burns that are not able to be completed this spring will be considered for the burn schedule next fall.

Contact Iowa DNR wildlife biologist T.J. Herrick at 641-829-3285 with any questions or concerns.

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county offices, have until next Friday, March 22, at 5 p.m. to do so. Nomination papers are filed in the county auditor's office.

County officials on ballots this year include supervisor representing District 2, auditor and sheriff.

The voter pre-registration deadline is Monday, May 20. The County Auditor must receive all registration forms no later than 5 p.m. unless postmarked on or

before Monday, May 20.

Voters may request an absentee ballot at the Auditor's Office at any time. If the ballots are not at the office at the time of request, they will be mailed to the voter as soon as they are available. The deadline to request an absentee ballot to be mailed is 5 p.m. on Monday, May 20. Voters may request and vote ballots at the Auditor's Office until 4 p.m. on Monday,

June 3.

The 2024 Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, June 4. The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

More information, including sample ballots, can be found at the Auditor's Election Website at <https://elections.worthcountyiowa.gov> or by contacting the Auditor's Office at 641-324-2316.

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My name is Briana. If I had a million dollars, I'd buy land and horses. I like that at N-K all the teachers and coaches are nice and push you to get better and do your best. My favorite class is math. My favorite teacher is Mr. Cap.

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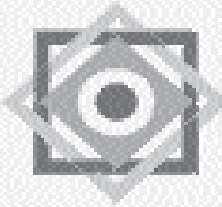


Learning about firefighting

Members of the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company spent time in February learning a variety of firefighting techniques at the station in Northwood. That included searching with limited visibility, rapidly putting on clothing and equipment, radio reports and more. Another night had them at the Worth County fairgrounds, where they practiced using water pumping equipment.



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Floor debates, entering into second Funnel Week

Week Nine
We had floor debate every day this week, sending several House Files and amended Senate Files to the Senate for consideration in their chamber. We will be entering our 2nd Funnel week on Monday; policy bills must pass on the floor of one chamber to remain eligible this year. A few bills of interest that I strongly supported:

HF 2630 – Increasing Teacher Salaries

This bill raises the minimum starting teacher salary to \$47,500 in year one, \$50,000 in year two and provides a TSS (Teacher Salary Supplement) amount to provide for salary increases. It provides \$14 million for educational support staff and \$22 million for TSS to help with salary schedules and benefit the veteran teachers. An amendment to this bill allows teachers to go back to teaching one month after receiving retirement benefits. If enacted, it will move Iowa to 12th in the nation for teacher pay



Jane Bloomingdale
Iowa House District 51

and 5th in the nation in year two. With the 3% SSA the House voted on last week and this TSS, total school increase this year will be between 4.5%-5%.

HF 2255 – Parental Consent for Social Media

In a bipartisan manner, we passed a bill through the House to help parents and kids navigate the ever-changing world of social media. Social media can have negative impacts on kids' self-esteem, result in cyberbullying, and expose kids to inappropriate content. This bill would require social media apps to get parental permission before anyone under the age of 18 could create an account on their platform. Under this bill, it would be against the law for social media compa-

nies to gather data on kids without permission from parents. This bill puts parents back in the driver's seat when it comes to their kids' data and the impact social media can have on their mental health.

SF 574 - Economic Development

This week we passed a bill to spur economic growth across Iowa, with two important pieces of policy in this bill. First, this bill establishes a major economic growth attraction (MEGA) program under IEDA. This program uses tax credits and a sales tax refund to incentivize major projects to come to Iowa to do business. The qualifying business investment must exceed \$1 billion and primarily engage in advanced manufacturing,

biosciences, or research and development. This program is limited to two projects or sunsets January 1, 2027. Second, this bill appropriates \$300,000 to the Iowa Economic Development Authority for certification costs of certified sites in rural Iowa. This money must be used for sites in counties with a population of less than 50,000. This money can be used on two certified sites per congressional district each year, up to \$30,000 each.

House File 2576 - Increasing Punishment for Fentanyl Deaths

Iowa is facing a fentanyl crisis that is shattering the hearts of too many families. Overdoses are up by more than 34% and illicit fentanyl was implicated in 83% of all Iowa's opioid-related deaths. Criminal drug networks are mass-producing fake pills, falsely marketing them as legitimate prescription pills, and killing unsuspecting Iowans. HF 2576 makes it a class A felony to provide illegal fentanyl

products that result in a death.

It is an honor to serve as your Representative and as always, please feel free to

contact me with any questions and concerns. My email is jane.bloomingdale@legis.iowa.gov.



First one, Senator Brown and I met with Bob Noble, former president of the Cattlemen's Association.



Second one, Meeting with Iowa Hospital Association, Scott Curtis with Mercy One and Shelly Russell with Mitchell County Regional Health

The Constituent Connection

88th General Assembly:

Next week is the second legislative deadline of the year. This means we spent most of our time focusing on subcommittee and committee meetings this week to move bills from the House of Representatives through the Senate. One of the bills the Commerce Committee talked about this week is HF 2554, talking about what utility companies charge consumers for energy. It aims to ensure Iowa energy policy is focused on the consumers and provides affordable and reliable energy to Iowans. We have been working hard on creating an energy policy that provides stability for both consumers and energy companies. The bill also works to provide a long-term plan for Iowa's energy supply and usage.

Illegal immigration is one of the top issues on the minds of people across the country. The crisis at the border caused by the inaction of the Biden Administration has threatened the well-being and welfare of families not just in states and cities along the U.S.-Mexico border, but everywhere. It has caused a rise in human trafficking, the free flow of illegal drugs, and other crime.



Waylon Brown
State Senator District 26

This week, the Senate passed Senate File 2340, criminalizing the act of being an illegal alien in Iowa. Currently, this is only a federal crime. Making it a crime at the state level provides additional tools for Iowa law enforcement as our communities deal with the ramifications of the border emergency.

The crisis at the border is affecting every state in the United States, not just those along the southern border. As the crisis continues to grow and the Biden Administration does nothing, the Iowa Senate will not stand idly by and let the negative consequences reverberate through Iowa, our communities, neighborhoods, and families. The passage of Senate File 2340 is one way the state can do its part to protect our citizens until a new President of the United States is elected and the federal government resumes its constitutional duty.

A recent poll of Iowans conducted for Iowans for

Tax Relief showing broad and strong public support for an amendment to the Iowa Constitution requiring a supermajority to raise taxes or pass a new tax on Iowans. The poll also showed support for putting into the Constitution a requirement for a single income tax rate, commonly referred to as a flat tax. This week the Senate Ways and Means Committee advanced those policies as amendments to the Iowa Constitution.

It is no small thing for the government to demand a portion of the income of working families. Too often the debate over tax rates describes taxes in terms of money available for the government to spend, the impact of tax rates on government, or how the government will be able to afford a reduction in income or property taxes.

The focus for every discussion on taxes must be on the taxpayer. Iowans work diligently to put food on the table and provide shelter, clothing, and transportation

for their families. Every dollar the government demands from them is one less dollar to provide for those necessities and an impediment to their ability to live the American Dream.

In Iowa, gubernatorial appointees to various departments, boards and commissions require a supermajority vote by the Senate to be confirmed to those jobs. If it takes a two-thirds vote of the Senate to approve someone to serve on the Elevator Board, it certainly should require a two-thirds vote of lawmakers to approve the government's ability to confiscate more of the money Iowans dedicate their lives to earning.

If these amendments are passed by both chambers, they would need to be approved again during the next General Assembly and they could be voted by Iowans in the 2026 General Election. Senate Republicans look forward to continuing to do the will of the people by ensuring they keep more of what they earn.

Thank you to the Mason City Public Library librarian, the Mason City city administrator, and the Cattlemen this week for coming to our capital and visiting with me. It always nice to see constituents in Des Moines!

Northwood Anchor

Fertile Lutheran Church

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

Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly

Sunday, Bethlehem Worship, 9 a.m., Grace Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Bethany Lutheran Church/Elk Creek Lutheran

Wednesday, Lent at Bethany; Thursday, MANNA Open, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Bethany, 9 a.m., EC Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Elk Creek, 10:30 a.m.; Monday, Bethany Council, 9:30 a.m., MANNA Open 10 a.m. - Noon

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan

Sunday, Worship Services, 9:10 a.m., Coffee Fellowship, 10 a.m., Good Sam Home in St. Ansgar, 2:30 p.m.

Pastor Cory Allard

Bethel United Methodist Church

Wednesday, Diner, 8:30 a.m., No Wonderful Wednesday; Thursday, Girl Scout Meeting; Saturday, Bethel Mat Weaving Day, 2-3 p.m.; Sunday, St. Patrick's Day Breakfast at Manly Senior Center, 8-11 a.m., Bethel Worship, 8 a.m., Trinity Worship, 9:10 a.m., Sunday School, 9:15 a.m., Bethel Worship, 10:30 a.m., Lenten Service at Sacred Heart Catholic, 4 p.m.; Tuesday, Lenten Study, 10 a.m., Manly Senior Center Jack Pot Bingo Starting at 6 p.m.

Northwood United Methodist Church

Thursday, Pub Theology at Worth Brewing, 7 p.m.; Friday, Discipleship; Sunday, Worship Service, 10:45 a.m., Fellowship, 11:45 a.m.; Tuesday, Swallow Coffee House LM, 10 a.m.

Rev. Rob Langphere

One In Christ Lutheran Parish

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

First Lutheran Church, Northwood

Wednesday, Lenten Service, Noon, Lenten/Inspire, 6:15 p.m., Choir, SH Youth, 7 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Group, 9 a.m., Taekwondo, 6:30 p.m., Pub Theology, 7 p.m.; Sunday, Service with H.C., 9 a.m., DCV with H.C., 10:30 a.m., LRH, 3 p.m., JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Manna Truck, Council Meeting, 6 p.m., AA-Al-Anon, 7 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Church, Northwood

Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion at 9 a.m., Adult Bible Study and Children's Sunday School following service.

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God Did Not Bring Death Into the World

In the first chapter of the Wisdom of Solomon we are told two very amazing things: God did not make death and there are no unwholesome substances in nature. The passage runs as follows: "God did not make death, and he does not delight in the death of the living. For he created all things that they might exist, and the generative forces of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them." (Wisdom of Solomon 1: 13-14) How should we understand this? It certainly seems counter-intuitive, but upon closer inspection, we realize that death is merely the negation of life, and what we call death is simply the transformation of the body back into its primal elements, and what happens to the soul after death is perhaps life, and life more abundantly. Likewise, the counter-intuitive claim that there is no destructive poison in the natural world is perhaps another way of saying that everything in the natural world has its proper uses. The poppy can be used to make codeine and morphine, which have their proper uses as a cough suppressant and a pain reliever, or they can be misused as an intoxicant. There is great wisdom here. If we use the gifts of nature prudently, there is nothing to harm us, and we have no fear of death if we live by God's word. —Christopher Simon

"Do not invite death by the error of your life, nor bring on destruction by the works of your hands."
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Cook Bookin'

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

Bulwer Lytton,
Edward Robert

by Sandy Olson



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

I was given two tiny little cookbooks compiled by youth attending the National Youth Gathering. This group of young men and women was from the Emmons Lutheran Church. Because Emmons is a tiny town that sits right on the Iowa/ Minnesota state line, I'm not sure in which state the church is located. The little cookbooks are handmade with stapled sheets typed on a computer and put together individually. There is no date indicated. The first one, with a green paper cover, is "Main Dishes, Soups, Salads, etc." We'll look at the second one, with the red cover, next week.

Enchilada Squares (Logan Meyer)

1 pound lean ground beef
1 envelope dry enchilada sauce mix
1/4 cup chopped yellow onion
1/3 cup sliced black olives
4 large eggs
2 cups corn chips, like Fritos®
1 can (8oz.) tomato sauce
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
1 can (15.5 oz.) evaporated milk, NOT sweetened condensed milk

In a large heavy skillet, cook the beef and onion. Drain off any grease. Spread the mean in a sprayed 10x6x2-inch baking dish. Beat together the eggs, tomato sauce, milk and dry enchilada mix. Pour this over the meat. Sprinkle with the olives and top with the corn chips. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees and bake, uncovered, until set in the center. Sprinkle with the cheese and return to the oven until the cheese melts.

Crock Pot Hash Browns (Nathan Christenson)

32 oz. bag of shredded hash browns
1 can cream of chicken soup
2/3 cup evaporated milk
8 oz. block of cream cheese, soft
1 stick real butter, melted
2 cups shredded Cheddar
1 teaspoon salt
small yellow onion, chopped
Put the hash browns, thawed, into a

crock pot which has been sprayed with cooking spray. Sprinkle with salt and add the chopped onion. Mix together the soup, cream cheese and melted butter, combining well. Add the evaporated milk and 1 cup of the Cheddar cheese. Mix. Pour this over the hash browns and top with the remaining cheese. Cook 4-6 hours on LOW or 3-4 hours on HIGH.

Great Egg Bake (Brent Bjelland)

Spread 8 slices of bread with 4 tablespoons real butter. Cut into cubes and place in the bottom of a 9x13-inch baking dish that has been sprayed with cooking spray. SANDY'S NOTE: Use a sturdy bread such as Italian or French so it doesn't end up all mushy.

10 large eggs, beaten
4 cups milk, not skim
2 teaspoons dry mustard
4 cups shredded Cheddar
2 teaspoons salt
1 1/2 cups cubed ham

Sprinkle the cheese and meat on the cubes of bread. Beat together the eggs, mustard, salt and milk. Pour this over the bread. Cover with foil (dull side up) and refrigerate overnight. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. the next morning. Bake for 1 hour, still covered with foil. Uncover and continue to bake for 15 minutes.

Kids need to know how to cook...and not just to microwave ramen! Since I grew up in a restaurant, I've been cooking almost all my life and I enjoy it a great deal. Today's kids often have to fend for themselves with meals as parents are both working. In addition, what a nice treat for any adult to have their kids, grandkids, neighbor kids make and serve them a real meal. It's too expensive to eat out all the time, the prepared meals in the freezer case aren't always healthy and there is a lot of satisfaction in making a dish that pleases those who are enjoying the meal. All that being, the kids at Emmons Lutheran have an advantage. And...that's all she wrote.

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Society



Poultry party

Last week, the students in Northwood-Kensett's third grade classes recently welcomed a few special visitors while bidding farewell to a few others that had spent a few weeks in the classroom. In early February, Teresa Stehn, with the Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom program, had delivered eggs, an incubator and educational materials. The students learned about eggs and chickens and then, once they hatched, had enjoyed the company of the chicks in the classroom. Last week, the students invited senior members of the community to meet the chicks and to share what they had learned with the chickens in the classroom.

ISU Extension and Outreach releases Real Impact 2023 Report

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach has released Real Impact 2023 Report. This brief report shares a few examples of ISU Extension and Outreach creating real impact in Iowa, including these:

- 4-H club youth in Louisa County determined how installing solar panels could help their school district use less coal-generated electricity – and save nearly \$1.5 million.
- Farmers who participated in Planter Universi-

ty have estimated they can save \$5 per acre because they learned how to evaluate planting performance and improve planter efficiency for greater success and increased profits.

- Local decision makers from 54 communities have learned how to identify, assess and meet their unique housing needs. Creston constructed eight apartments and improved 10 existing housing units. Keokuk secured \$1.2 million in grants. Emmetsburg's project could create

more than \$13 million in economic impact.

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More information is available by contacting the ISU Extension and Outreach county office.

Kensett Public Library

By Lisa Lestrud
Library Director

Greetings from the Kensett Public Library it seems we have sprung into March and the weather shows it. We always have something going on at the library.

I would like to start a seed exchange program at the library so if you are interested in donating or

looking for something in particular it would be a great way to encourage people to get involved.

Also wanted to mention that we have purchased two books from a local author from Clear Lake, Iowa, Staci Andrea called, "Fraidy Hole," and "Lake Laps." We are always looking to add to our vast collection

of books if you have something to recommend please let me know.

We will be having an Easter story time on Saturday March 30, 2024 from 10 - 11:30 a.m. we will read a story, have a snack and Easter Egg Hunt. Hope you can join us.

See you at the Kensett Library

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Opinion

Savvy Senior

How to tap underutilized burial benefits for veterans

Dear Savvy Senior,

What types of funeral benefits are available to old veterans? My 83-year-old father, who has Alzheimer's disease, served during the Vietnam War in the 1960s.

Planning Ahead

Dear Planning,

Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) National Cemetery Administration actually offers a variety of underutilized burial benefits to veterans as well as their spouses and dependents.

Most U.S. veterans (both combat and non-combat) who didn't receive a dishonorable discharge are eligible for burial benefits. To verify your dad's discharge, you'll need a copy of his DD Form 214 "Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty." If you don't have it, you can request online at Archives.gov/veterans.

Here's a rundown of some of the different benefits that are available to veterans that die a nonservice related death.

Military Cemetery Benefits

If your dad's eligible and would like to be buried in one of the 155 national or 119 state, territory or tribal-operated cemeteries (see VA.gov/find-locations), the VA provides a number of benefits at no cost to the family, including: a gravesite; opening and closing of the grave and perpetual gravesite care; a government headstone or marker; a United States burial flag that can be used to drape the casket or accompany the urn; and a Presidential Memorial Certificate.

If your dad is cremated, his remains will be buried or inurned in the same manner as casketed remains.

But be aware that funeral or cremation arrangements and costs are not taken care of by the VA. They are the responsibility of the veteran's family, but some veteran's survivors may be eligible for burial allowances.

The VA also offers a memorial web page called the Veterans Legacy Memorial for any veteran buried in a national, state, territorial or tribal cemetery. This allows families to post pictures and stories of their loved one online as a way to remember and honor their service.

If you're interested in this option, the VA has a pre-need burial eligibility determination program to help you plan ahead before your dad passes. See VA.gov/burials-memorials/pre-need-eligibility or call the National Cemetery Scheduling Office at 800-535-1117.

Private Cemetery Benefits

The VA also provides benefits to veterans buried in private cemeteries. If your dad chooses this option, the VA benefits include a free government headstone or grave marker, or a medallion that can be affixed to an existing privately purchased headstone or marker; a burial flag; and a Presidential Memorial Certificate.

Funeral or cremation arrangements and costs are again the responsibility of the family, and there are no benefits offered to spouses and dependents that are buried in private cemeteries.

Military Funeral Honors

Another popular benefit available to all eligible veterans buried in either a national or private cemetery is a military funeral honors ceremony. This includes an honor guard detail of at least two uniformed military persons, folding and presenting the U.S. burial flag to the veteran's survivors, and the playing of Taps.

The funeral provider you choose will be able to assist you with all VA burial requests. Depending on what you want, certain forms may need to be completed which are always better to be done in advance.

For a complete rundown of burial and memorial benefits, eligibility details and required forms visit Cem.va.gov.

Burial Allowances

In addition to the burial benefits, some veteran's survivors may also qualify for a \$948 burial allowance and \$948 for a plot to those who choose to be buried in a private cemetery. And \$231 for a headstone or grave marker allowance. To find out if your dad is eligible or to apply, see VA.gov/burials-memorials/veterans-burial-allowance.

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

What did you do yesterday?
I spent the whole day watching TV in my pajamas.
I didn't know they made pajamas with a TV in them.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. I enjoy watching baseball. I like the leisurely pace, and I don't need to be entertained every second. I went to a World Series game once. The place was packed, and a woman waving a homer hankie snapped me sharply in the ear. I wouldn't have seen much of the game if the fellow standing in front of me hadn't had a pierced ear.

Baseball caps are a poor man's toupee. If you buy enough things, sooner or later, someone gives you a cap—a gimme cap. A friend buys them at thrift stores. A thrift store is a time machine that smells like Grandma's house, where you can buy bowling trophies and a nice shirt for church with the name "Herb" stitched above its pocket. I stop at thrift stores because I like books and hope something good pops up like a jack-in-the-box.

A friend accused me of Minnsplaining

After I told him I'd rather hypnotize chickens than golf. All I needed to do was hold the chicken's head down against the ground and draw a straight line using a stick or my finger, starting at the beak and extending straight outward in front of the chicken. If done correctly, the chicken was put into a trance and remained still. To de-hypnotize

the chicken, I gave it a gentle push. Other methods included swirling a finger in a circle around the bird's head or tucking its head underneath its wing. Ernest Hemingway mentioned the latter method in his book, "The Dangerous Summer," comparing it to the hypnotic effect of a bull-fighter's cape. The parlor trick did neither the chicken nor I any good, so I've stopped hypnotizing chickens. I failed the hen trance exam.

A courteous act

Out of the corner of my eye, I caught sight of a woman who was headed to the same entrance as I was, so I grabbed the door and held it open for her. No woman appeared to take advantage of my benevolence. I turned to see she was rushing to the door. I had misjudged her pace or her distance from the door. Instead of helping, I made her hurry. I apologized in the way of my people by saying, "Oops!"

I've learned

Any flying object is a UFO if you can't identify it.

Standing on the shore of Lake Superior makes me feel insignificant. One more drip made little difference there.

A baby's first Christmas always comes before its first birthday.

Few people die in a cemetery. Tuesday is equally as far away from Friday as Monday is.

A toaster that toasts too well is broken.

The roof of my house isn't the greatest, but it's up there.

People pay to make their cars quieter and louder.

Bad jokes department

Why don't we ever see elephants hiding in trees? It's because they're very good at it.

What makes us human?
Selecting all images containing traffic lights.

I fancied a girl in college who knew only four vowels. She never knew I existed.

I gave my wife a glue-stick instead of her Chapstick. It was an accident, but she's still not talking to me.

Does anyone else forget the abbreviation for Maine or is it just Me?

A man walked into a bar and was disqualified from the limbo competition.

Nature notes

Why does a squirrel eat only the white tip of a kernel of corn? It's fussy. Squirrels eat only the nutrient-dense heart or germ of a kernel of corn, casting aside the rest for other hungry creatures. The germ has a moderate concentration of lipids (oils and fat) and a variety of proteins that are used during seedling growth. The rest of the kernel is mostly starch, which the squirrel either doesn't need or want.

A quill is the hollow stem of a bird's feather used as a writing instrument. Goose feathers were the principal source of quills, but quill pens were also made from the feathers of swans, crows, eagles, owls, hawks and turkeys. The best feathers for making a quill are the first five flight feathers (primaries). Thomas Jefferson, the third president of the United States, was a prolific writer who raised geese at Monticello to supply feathers for his quill pens.

Meeting adjourned

Repay kindness with kindness. You could never go wrong sending a thank you note.

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Fit to print...

See you after D.C.

So, if you're reading, this then that means the paper was printed in my absence.

Why am I absent? Because I am accompanying Worth County 4-H'ers and families on their semi-annual trip to Washington, D.C.

A whirlwind week will take us to the majority of the sights to see, the sites to visits and the monuments to remember.

But, as I'm sure I'll be alternately busy sightseeing and exhausted in the aftermath, I turned to an online artificial intelligence to write me an away message for this space

Here's what a robot expected me to experience:

Sorry, I can't come to the phone right now, I'm too busy exploring the nation's capital - Washington, D.C.! Yes, that's right folks, I'm living it up in the land of politics, monuments, and traffic jams. So sit back, relax, and get ready for a virtual tour of my hilarious adventures in the city that never sleeps...unless Congress is in session.

First things first, let's talk about the traffic. Now, I thought I had seen it all living in a big city, but D.C. takes the cake when it comes to gridlock. I swear, I spent more time sitting in bumper-to-bumper traffic than actually seeing the sights. And don't even get me started on trying to find parking. It's like a game of musical chairs, except instead of a prize, you get to pay an exorbitant amount

of money to park your car for an hour. Fun times.

But despite the traffic woes, I have managed to see some pretty cool stuff during my time in D.C. I mean, where else can you see the White House, the Capitol, and the Washington Monument all in the same day? It's like a history buff's dream come true. And let me tell you, nothing is more surreal than standing in front of the Lincoln Memorial and realizing that you are actually staring at a giant statue of Honest Abe. I almost expected him to start busting out some Gettysburg Address karaoke.

Of course, no trip to D.C. would be complete without a visit to the Smithsonian museums. I mean, who knew there were so many museums dedicated to everything from air and space to natural history? I swear, I could spend weeks wandering through all the exhibits and still not see everything. And let's not forget about the gift shops - I may or may not have stocked up on enough patriotic souvenirs to last me a lifetime. Hey, a girl's got to show her love for the red, white, and blue, am I right?

Now, let's talk about the food. I have to say, I was pleasantly surprised by the culinary delights that D.C. has to offer. From world-class restaurants to hole-in-the-wall diners, there is something for every palate in this city. And don't even get me started on the food trucks. I swear, I tried some of the best

BBQ of my life from a little truck parked outside the National Mall. Who knew that a pulled pork sandwich could bring tears of joy to my eyes?

And speaking of the National Mall, let's talk about the tourists. Oh, the tourists. Everywhere you look, there are fanny packs, selfie sticks, and confused-looking families trying to navigate the metro system. But hey, who am I to judge? I'm just another lost soul trying to figure out which direction the Lincoln Memorial is in. I swear, I could write a book on the adventures of tourists in D.C. - it would be a bestseller, I'm sure.

But despite all the chaos and crowds, there is something magical about Washington, D.C. Maybe it's the sense of history that surrounds you at every turn, or maybe it's the feeling of being in the heart of the country's political machine. Whatever it is, I have to say, I'm loving every minute of my time in this crazy, bustling city.

So there you have it, folks - my away message from the nation's capital. I may be too busy exploring D.C. to answer your call, but rest assured, I'll be back soon with more tales of hilarity and adventure from the land of monuments and politicians. In the meantime, stay tuned for more updates and remember to always keep your sense of humor, even in the most chaotic of situations. See you soon, Washington, D.C.!

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Early Files

Northwood Anchor

Obituaries

100 years
ago

March 5, 1924

Probably the largest township Farm Bureau meeting ever held in Worth County was conducted by the Grove township people at the Dwelle Hall Friday night. Over 500 were present, since that number were served lunch. To say that the Ukulele Girls of Alden pleased everyone highly with their songs is not credit enough for them. F.G. Churchillm specialist from the Extension Service, addressed the crowd, and Mrs. Douglass told of the availability of the traveling library.

At the regular meeting of

75 years
ago

March 17, 1949

Arnold Talle of Northwood has been appointed Worth County cancer campaign chairman, it was announced today by Mrs. Phil Sheimo, Fertile, county chairman.

The Kensett Lions Club will present a minstrel show on March 28 and 29, it was announced by Fritz Schulte of the committee in charge.

Six delegates from each of 37 congregations of the St. Ansgar circuit together with their 22 pastors, are expected in Northwood at the First Lutheran Church for a circuit conference on the United

50 years
ago

March 14, 1974

Jason Allen Trainer, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Trainer, was baptized at Deer Creek Valley Lutheran Church. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. Alan Stevens, Northwood, and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Trainer, Mason City.

The resignation of superintendent Francis Peterson, effective on June 30, was accepted by the Northwood-Kensett school board at its regular meeting. Peterson has resigned to accept a similar position in Cherokee.

25 years
ago

March 17, 1999

With a little help from her dad, two-year-old Madison Lloyd learned that last Monday's four-inch snowfall here was just the right stuff for building her first snowman. Madison's mom Heather helped out by finding the perfect stocking cap to round out the snowman's ensemble.

Northwood resident Tammy Charlson watched her son Travis, 4, one year-old Dawson VanRyswyk and five-year-old John Porter share a set of wooden blocks in a recent Friday morning session of the new

10 years
ago

March 12, 2014

Students at Northwood-Kensett Elementary enjoyed a unique breakfast for lunch as they celebrated the birthday of Dr. Seuss. A unique splash of color could be found on trays with green eggs and ham, from the Sue-uss classic, "Green Eggs and Ham," served for lunch last Tuesday.

Northwood-Kensett students once again presented one of the highlights of the year, in terms of school performance on February 28, with POPS XLVI. The theme of this year's concert

the city council last evening, a petition was presented and signed by 457 residents of Northwood who want street signs erected and houses numbered so that proper application may be made to the post office department for free delivery of mail to which the city is entitled.

Northwood was first named Gulbrand by Scandinavian settlers. It got is present name because of a peculiar post office quarrel. There were graces on either side of Gulbrad, called the south woods and the north woods. The first postmaster appointed when the town became a post office was a resident of the vicinity of the north grove, and he took the post office thither and named it Northwood, When he lost the office his successor moved

Education appeal Sunday at 3 p.m.

L.E. Whitcome was re-elected president of the Northwood Chamber of Commerce at the organization meeting of the new board of directors.

The three-act home talent play, "Missing! One Pair!," produced by the Meltonville Community Club and coached by Miss Emma Lane, will be presented in the Northwood high school auditorium on March 24.

The Worth County Fair board of directors gave the go-ahead signal to plans for construction this spring of the new junior fair barn on the county fairgrounds.

Two members of the Northwood school board were re-elected and the 2 1/2 mill

Work is expected to begin this month on the new 500,000 gallon elevated storage tank near 17th Street and Second Avenue North. Material for the \$174,000 strutter is stored on the site by the contractor, Chicago Bridge Company. The tank will be supported by six legs and a center column and will be about 50 feet in diameter.

Jane Johnson Viking forward, was named to the North Iowa Conference girls basketball team in selections made by coaches last week. In addition, Terry Arendts and LuAnn Knudtson were named to the all-conference second team.

The Vikings earned the berth in the district finals by defeating Buffalo Center

Northwood-Kensett early childhood program at the Northwood Public Library while aide Kristie Parks looked on. Dawson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dirk VanRyswyk of Northwood and John is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Porter of rural Northwood.

Kim Christianson, a Luther College senior of Northwood, has been awarded a \$2,250 Adrian S. Helgeson Endowed Scholarship for the 1998-99 academic year. Christianson is the daughter of Tom and Kathy Christianson of Northwood. She is pursuing a major in accounting.

Worth County Conservation Board executive director Dean Mueller and county naturalist Dan Block show

was "Theme Songs." The show featured music featured music and sketches based on and dedicated to a variety of TV shows, movies and video games.

Taryn VanRyswyk and Kayla Branstad were recognized at the academic extracurricular pep rally held on March 6 as All-State Large Group in speech. The speech coach is Beth Butler.

Brittany Low, from Northwood, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in marketing. Low attended the Buena Vista University's Graduate & Professional Studies location in Mason City.

Kirk Pualson, President and CEO of NSB Bank, announces that Raejean Garcia has joined NSB Bank

the post office to the south woods but kept the post office name given by his predecessor.

March 1, the annual moving day for farmers, was pleasant and the roads in good condition generally, so that the changing about was accompanied without so much grief, as is the case some years when mud or frozen roads make traveling hard. The Anchor has been unable to procure a list of even half the changes made.

The six school houses in Barton township which were replaced during the last year by new ones, will be sold at public auction on Thursday, March 13. In addition to the buildings, which are in good condition, six school house theaters and a quantity of desks will be sold, according to Milton Seater, who is secretary.

levy for school repairs and maintenance was approved in the Northwood school election. The two re-elected school board members are Hamlin Holtan, who will serve another full three year term, and Leon S. Barnes, who will serve for one more year, filling out the reset of the unexpired term of C.A. Sharp to which Mr. Barnes was appointed last year.

A.T. Huso, of Huso and Anonson, local Ford dealers, received a personal letter from J.R. Davis, vice president of the Ford Motor company, Dearborn, Mich. The letter read: "It is a real pleasure for all of us here at the central office to extend to you our hearty congratulations on your completion of 36 years as a Ford dealer.

55-44 on March 6 in Mason City. Ron McMullen and Dan Robb led a hard hitting Viking offense and stingy Viking defense to win the first game of the district tournament. The Vikings dominated the first quarter to build up a 18-4 lead, holding the Bison scoreless for the first four minutes.

Craig G. Ensign, attorney, and Craig Fallgatter, owner of Fallgatter's Market, both of Northwood, have been named to the newly organized Area Three Subscriber Advisory Committee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans in Iowa.

Dan Robb, number 31, was high scorer for the Vikings in their loss Friday night to the Sea City Falcons.

off three wildlife prints, a gun cabinet and two shotguns that are among the items to be auctioned or raffled at the Northern Prairie Pheasants Forever banquet this coming Saturday at the Kensett Community Center. North Woods Cabinetry owner Tom Capranos built and donated the gun cabinet, which will hold six shotguns or rifles, plus accessories.

Grade school girls from Northwood and Kensett will compete in a special volleyball league this spring. The Northern Lights Youth Volleyball League will give fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade girls a chance to participate in organized volleyball competition in late April and early May.

as Executive Assistant at the Northwood office. Raejean replaced long time employee Barb Helgeson who retired the end of February.

Filing for candidates for county offices in the June 3 primary election is underway. The Republican and Democratic candidate for five county offices will appear on primary ballots. Worth County offices on the ballot will include the supervisors from districts 1 and 3, treasurer, recorder and attorney. Republican Teresa Olson has filed for the office recorder. Republican Ken Abrams has filed for the primary election for supervisor from district 1. Current treasurer Jake Hanson and attorney Jeff Greve have not yet filed to run in the primary election.

James 'Jim' Dahle

James C. "Jim" Dahle, 75 of Northwood died on Sunday, March 3, 2024 at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center in Mason City.

Funeral Services were held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 7, 2024 at Bethany Lutheran Church, 600 Fifth Street, Kensett, Iowa with Rev. Linda Johnson Prestholt and Rev. Tim Nappe officiating.

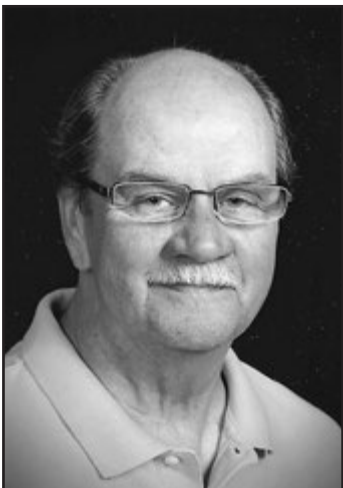
He was laid to rest at Sunset Rest Cemetery, Northwood, Iowa.

Visitation was held from 12 to 2 p.m. prior to the service at the church.

The family suggests memorials be directed to Bethany Lutheran Church.

Jim was born on July 7, 1948, the son of Melvin and Edvina Dahle, spending his first nights in a dresser drawer fit as a crib at the family home in Kensett. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. Kensett was an integral part of Jim's life. Growing up as one of the Kensett Kids, he graduated from Northwood-Kensett High School with the class of 1966.

On June 1, 1968 Jim married Sonya Pacey in Northwood, Iowa and were blessed with two sons, Ja-



JAMES DAHLE

son and Joel. Following their marriage, Jim enlisted into the United States Army, where he served a 20 year career. The family relocated several times, finding opportunity and adventure in their moves overseas and stateside. Whether they were in Italy, Germany or stateside in Florida, the family took in the experience. In 1999 Jim and Sonya returned to North Iowa, eventually making their home in Northwood. No matter how far away, Jim's home was always Kensett, the Heart of Worth County. He cherished time with life long friends and family in Kensett, just like the good ol' days.

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Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
CASE NO. ESPR009381
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARLENE A. KNUDTSON, DECEASED.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of ARLENE A. KNUDTSON, Deceased, who died on or about October 17, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on November 9, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Arlene A. Knudtson, deceased, bearing date of December 20, 1990, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Gary Knudtson was appointed Executor of the es-

tate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from

the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated November 13, 2023.

Gary Knudtson
1354 390th Street
Kensett, IA 50448
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 the 13th day of March, 2024.

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Notice

OFFICIAL NOTICE
BEFORE THE UTILITIES BOARD OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO THE CITIZENS OF DECATUR, CLARKE, WARREN, POLK, STORY, HAMILTON, HARDIN, FRANKLIN, CERRO GORDO, AND WORTH COUNTIES, IOWA:

Notice is given that Flint Hills Resources, LLC, d/b/a Flint Hills Resources Kansas LLC (Flint Hills), Wichita, KS, pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 479B, has filed a petition with the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) for renewal of a pipeline permit to maintain and operate an existing hazardous liquid pipeline. The route of the pipeline is described as follows:

Legal Descriptions for Flint Hills Pipeline
Worth County, Iowa
18" diameter pipe

Approximately 17 miles of Pipeline Route

Section 8, T100N, R21W: Beginning at a point on 510th Street on the Minnesota/Iowa border in the Northwest ¼ of Section 8, Township 100 North, Range 21 West, Worth County, Iowa. Thence in a general Southerly direction through the Northwest ¼ and Northwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ to Goose Creek, thence in a general Southerly direction through the Southwest ¼ of the Southwest 1/4; all being in said Section 8, T100N, R21W; and all being privately owned, except where the pipeline crosses 510th Street being public highway/right of way. The above description covers approximately 4,350 feet.

Section 17, T100N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Southern boundary line of the Southwest ¼ of Section 8, Township 100N, Range 21W, thence in a general Southerly direction through the Northwest ¼ and the Northwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of Section 17, T99N, R21W to County Highway A15 (Marks Hill Road), thence in a Southerly direction though the SW1/4 of the SW1/4; all being in Section 17, T100N, R21W; and all being privately owned, except where the pipeline crosses County Highway A15 (Marks Hill Road) in the SW1/4, being public highway/right of way. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,300 feet.

Section 20, T100N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Southern boundary line of the Southwest ¼ of Section 17, Township 100N, Range 21W, thence in a general Southwesterly direction through the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 20, T100N, R21W; and all being privately owned. The above pipeline covers approximately 490 feet.

Section 19, T100N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Western boundary line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 20, T100N, R21W, thence in a general Southwesterly direction through the Northeast ¼ of Section 19, T100N, R21W to 485th Street; thence continuing in a general Southwesterly direction through the Northeast ¼ of Southeast ¼ of Section 19, T100N, R21W to County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road), thence in a general Southerly direction through the remainder of the Southeast ¼ of Section 19, T100N, R21W, all being in Section 19, T100N, R21W; and all being privately owned, except where the pipeline crosses said 485th St. and County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Rd.) being public highway/right of ways. The above pipeline covers approximately 4,735 feet.

Section 30, T100N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Southern boundary line of Section 19, T100N, R21W, thence in a general Southerly direction through the NE1/4 of Section 30, T100N, R21W to County Highway A25 (475th St.); thence in a general Southerly direction through the SE1/4; all being privately owned, except where the pipeline crosses County Highway A25 (475th Street) being public highway/right of way. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,300 feet.

Section 31, T100N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Southern boundary line of Section 30, T100N, R21W, thence in a general Southerly direction through the NE1/4 and SE1/4 of Section 31, T100N, R21W paralleling on the East side of Highway 105 to Highway 105 and continuing across

said Highway 105; all being privately owned, except where the pipeline crosses said Highway 105 being public highway/right of way. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,300 feet.

Section 6, T99N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Southern boundary line of Section 31, T100N, R21W in Highway 105, thence in a general Southeasterly direction through the N1/2 of the NE1/4 of Section 6, T99N, R21W to 458th St.; thence in a general Southeasterly direction through the S1/2 of the NE1/4 and the SE1/4; all being privately owned, except where the pipeline crosses Highway 105 and 458th St., being public highway/right of way. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,300 feet.

Section 5, T99N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Western boundary line of the Southwest ¼ of Section 5, T99N, R21W, thence in a general Southerly direction through the Southwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of Section 5, T99N, R21W to 450th St.; all being privately owned, except where the pipeline crosses 450th St. in the SW1/4 of said section, being public highway/right of way. The above pipeline covers approximately 400 feet.

Section 8, T99N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Northern boundary line of the Northwest ¼ of Section 8, T99N, R21W in 450th St., thence in a general Southerly direction through the NW1/4 to County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road); thence in a Southerly direction paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road) through the remainder of the NW1/4 and the SW1/4 of Section 8, T99N, R21W; all being privately owned, except where the pipeline crosses 450th St. and County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road), being public highway/right of ways. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,300 feet.

Section 17, T99N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Northern boundary line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 17, T99N, R21W, thence in a general Southerly direction through the NW1/4 paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road) to County Highway A34 (435th St.); thence in a general Southerly direction through the SW1/4 to Elk Creek; thence in a general Southerly direction paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road); all being privately owned, except for a portion of land being public property owned by the State of Iowa in the Southwest ¼ of said section, known as Elk Creek Marsh Wildlife Management Area, and where the pipeline crosses public highway/right of way County Highway A34 (435th St.) in the NW1/4 and SW1/4 being, all being in said section. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,350 feet.

Section 20, T99N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Northern boundary line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 20, T99N, R21W, thence in a general Southerly direction through the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 20, T99N, R21W paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road) though the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of said Section 20, T99N, R21W; all being privately owned except where the pipeline crosses 425th St. in the NW1/4 and SW1/4, being public highway/right of way. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,450 feet.

Section 29, T99N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Northern boundary line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 29, T99N, R21W, thence in a general Southerly direction paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road) through the NW1/4 to Willow Creek, thence in a general Southerly direction through the SW1/4 of Section 29, T99N, R21W to

County Highway A38 (410th St.); all being privately owned except where the pipeline crosses County Highway A38 (410th St.) in the SW1/4, all being in section 29, T99N, R21W, and being public highway/right of way. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,300 feet.

Section 32, T99N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Northern boundary line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 32, T99N, R21W that coincides with County Highway A38 (410th St.), thence in a general Southerly direction paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road) through the NW1/4 to Willow Creek, thence in a general Southerly direction through the SW1/4 of Section 32, T99N, R21W to 400th St.; all being privately owned except where the pipeline crosses County Highway A38 (410th St.) in the NW1/4 and 400th St. in the SW1/4, all being in section 32, T99N, R21W, and being public highway/right of ways. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,300 feet.

Section 5, T98N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Northern boundary line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 5, T98N, R21W that coincides with 400th St., thence in a general Southerly direction paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road) through the NW1/4 and the SW1/4 of Section 5, T98N, R21W to County Highway A39 (390th St.); all being privately owned except where the pipeline crosses said 400th St. in the NW1/4 and County Highway A39 (390th St.) in the SW1/4, all being in section 5, T98N, R21W, and being public highway/right of ways. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,300 feet.

Section 8, T98N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Northern boundary line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 8, T98N, R21W that coincides with County Highway A39 (390th St.), thence in a general Southerly direction paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road) through the NW1/4 to Willow Creek, thence in a general Southerly direction through the SW1/4 of Section 8, T98N, R21W to 380th St.; all being privately owned except where the pipeline crosses County Highway

Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
JUVENILE DIVISION
NOTICE

TO: Danielle Hudson,
Mother of C.T.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THERE is an ongoing Child in Need of Assistance case in the Juvenile Court for Worth County, Iowa, case no. JVVJ000994.

You are further notified that dispositional review hearing has been set in the Courtroom of the Worth County Courthouse, Northwood, Iowa, on the 29th day of April, 2024,

at 10:15 a.m.

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

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

Jeffrey H. Greve
Worth County Attorney
Telephone: 641-324-1291
Email:
attorney@worthcounty.org
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Southerly though the SW1/4 paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road); all being privately owned except where the pipeline crosses State Highway 9 (IA9) and 355th St. at the boundary of the NW1/4 and SW1/4, being public highway/right of way. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,400 feet.

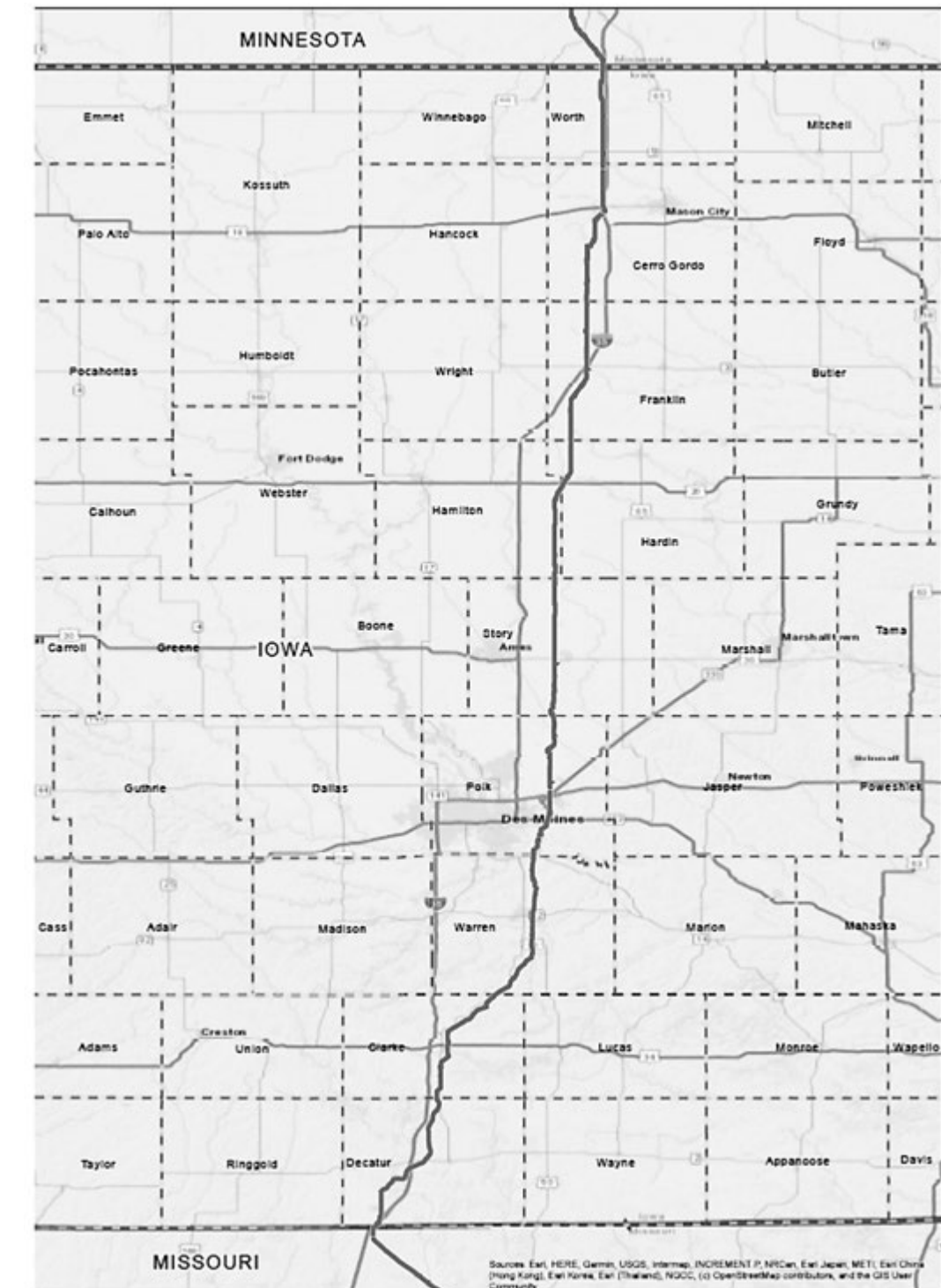
Section 32, T98N, R21W: Beginning at a point on Northern boundary line of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 32, T98N, R21W to Willow Creek, thence in a general Southerly direction paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road) through the NW1/4 to 345th Street, thence in a general Southerly direction through the SW1/4 paralleling the East side of County Highway S28 (Wheelerwood Road) across the Winnebago River to the Worth County Iowa and Cerro Gordo County Iowa border; all being privately owned except where the pipeline crosses 345th Street and Winnebago River, being public highway/right of way. The above pipeline covers approximately 5,300 feet.

A map showing the route of the hazardous liquid pipeline may be viewed with the publication.

Orders issued and documents filed in this docket (No. HLP-1998-0003) may be viewed by searching under the docket number in the IUB's electronic filing system (EFS) at <http://efs.iowa.gov>. Objections to the granting of the permit may be filed electronically using EFS or filed in writing with the IUB no later than 20 days after the date of second publication of this notice. Instructions for submitting an electronic filing can be found in EFS; written objections must be mailed to the Iowa Utilities Board, 1375 E. Court Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50319. Both electronic and written objections must clearly state the objector's name and address and list the docket number on the objection.

The date of the first publication is March 13, 2024. The date of the second publication is March 20, 2024.

IOWA UTILITIES BOARD
BY: Jon Tack
General Counsel
Dated this 7th day of March, 2024.



Northwood Anchor Legal

Supervisors

March 4, 2024

Tenth Day

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

Meeting called to order by Stone, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to approve today's agenda and minutes from the February 26, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve the final construction progress voucher for project BHOS-SWAP-C098(83)—FB-98 for project closeout through the DOT. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to award base bid for DD #14 project to low bidder Rognes Bros Excavating Inc. at \$586,234.50 as presented by Jacob Hagen, Bolton & Menk, Inc. Also included will be Lateral 4, Lateral 5 and the Upper Main for a total bid of \$926,008.50 which includes the originally proposed 36" pipe. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to award bid for DD #34 to low bidder Rognes Bros Excavating Inc. at \$680,770.00. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to appoint Merlin Bartz and Mike Stevens as reclassification commissioners for Drainage Districts: 14, 26, 46 & 48. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to acknowledge and place on file the manure management plan update for Norske 3 #69958. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve health insurance incentive of \$100/month towards benefit premiums or to an annuity for employees completing Wellness program starting with the 2024 Wellness program affecting health insurance premiums beginning January 2025 and an additional \$100/month towards benefit premiums or an annuity for those same employees if the County is awarded the 5% Wellness Discount for FY2026 health premiums affecting premiums beginning July 2026. Motion carried.

Chairperson Stone recessed the regular session at 9:19 A.M.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to open the closed session per Iowa Code 21.5.1(i) to discuss a potential sale of real estate. Roll call: Loberg – Aye; Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to close the closed session at 9:51 A.M. Motion carried.

Chairperson Stone reconvened the regular session at 9:51 A.M.

No action was taken regarding the closed session.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby, carried to adjourn at 9:54 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Aaron Stone, Chairperson

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Chainsaw Academy for Women will provide weekend opportunity for hands on learning

Women who would like to become more familiar with operating chainsaws can do so in a women-centered program on April 6-7 at Camp lo-Dis-E-CA, just west of Solon.

The “Chainsaw Academy for Women” is a hands-on course that offers a mix of class instruction and in-field education, covering topics such as safety, personal protective equipment and saw maintenance, as well as basic saw operation and limb cutting.

This beginner-level course is offered through a partnership with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, Bur Oak Land Trust and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

“This is a great weekend getaway with learning opportunities and the chance to meet new people. The

event will offer daytime learning focused on chainsaws, and on Saturday evening, we will learn about tree identification from a DNR forester and spend time getting to know each other,” said Julia Baker, natural resource program specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach. “Weather permitting, we hope to spend time talking and sitting around a campfire in the evening.”

Camp lo-Dis-E-CA is located midway between Cedar Rapids and Iowa City. The registration cost covers overnight lodging at the camp and four meals during the weekend. Dinner will be catered by a local favorite, Ruzicka's Catering.

The class furthers the mission of the Women's Woodland Stewardship Network to provide women

with knowledge and skills that can empower them to actively manage woodlands that they own or have influence over and make connections with other women interested in woodland management.

“All who identify as women are welcome to join us and learn from Bur Oak Land Trust’s team of female chainsaw instructors,” said Baker.

The program runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. both days, in addition to the evening program Saturday night. Participants must attend both days to complete the course. Additional information about what to pack and how to dress will be sent after registration.

Registration is \$90 and should be completed as soon as possible, as the program is limited to 15 participants.

Bolan

Lori Willert and Linda Nydegger attended the wedding of Jenna Koppen, daughter of Derek and Jane Koppen of Lakota, and Tanner Holmes on Friday evening at the Mackey House in Savannah, Georgia. They joined other Koppen relatives at this special

event and did some sight-seeing before returning home.

Keep in mind the Bolan Trinity UM Church’s upcoming “Dine In” or “Take Out” Baked Potato Bar on Sunday, March 24 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The Kittleson Brothers potatoes

can be topped with various toppings. Also featured are a variety of homemade pies with coffee, milk or water for a free will donation. This fundraiser is for church pew restoration. If you need more information, please call Linda Nydegger at 641-420-3048.

Northwood-Kensett School

The Northwood-Kensett Board of Directors met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 in the Administrative Office at 6:00 P.M.

Members present: Bradley Christianson, Cindy Pangburn, Jami Nelson and Shana Brunsvold
Absent: Susan Kliment

Also present: Superintendent Mike Crozier; Board Secretary Kim Hengesteg; Elem Principal Brian Costello and Kris Kenison Northwood Anchor

(4-0) Approve the Agenda for March 5, 2024

Recognition of Visitors/Public Comments: None

Reports
Elementary Principal: 1) Elementary Iowa Assessments are scheduled for March 20-April 5th 2) Preschool learning night and Incoming Kindergarten parents meeting on April 2nd 3) Special thanks to Teacher interview team: Dakota Hansen, Kimberly Odegaard, Nichol Hebel, Colette Ubben. Also, Elem Counselor interview team: Dakota Hansen, Amy Hansen, Nichol Hebel, Samantha Hemann and Natalie Henkel.

Secondary Principal: 1) Small group of teachers meeting for making plans for a positive climate and culture in the building 2) Jordan Reindl has joined the IHSAA Wrestling Advisory Committee 3) ISASP testing dates are March 26-April 2nd 4) Industrial Technology position update

Superintendent: 1) No make-up days for missed days 2) Radon test results at Middle School High School came back within acceptable limits 3) Capital visit on February 13th 4) NK will participate in the summer food program 5) Kimberly will present ISSAP scores at the April meeting 6) TIC Conference Admission

School Board: Public Hearing on Proposed Property Tax will be Monday, March 25th at 6:00pm. Next regular board meeting on Thursday, April 11th

Consent Agenda
(4-0) Approve Consent Action Items which included the following:

- Minutes from the February 8, 2024 Regular Board meeting
- March Bills for payment
- February 2024 Financial Report

- Approve Chloe Cheney, Elementary 5th Grade BA-1
- Approve Megan Liddle, Elementary 3rd Grade BA-1

- Approve Derek Varner, Head Boys Basketball
- Approve Cade Hengesteg, Assistant Football

- Approve Kristen Garnas, Assistant Softball
- Approve Christian Miller, Head Girls Wrestling

- Approve Kelly Bowman, Elementary Counselor pending proper certification BA-15-1
- Approve Barry Wangsness, Transportation Director at \$55,000 pending successful background check and state reference check form

- Approve resignation of Suzanne Senne Elementary Cook
- Approve resignation of Katie Strom as Assistant Girls Basketball

- Old Business
- None
- New Business

- Board Policies
- (4-0) approve the Second reading of policy changes to policies 502.7, 605.06, 605.06R1, 605.08, 605.08R1, 701.01, 701.02, 701.03, 701.04, 703.01, and rescind policy 713 and 713-R(2)

1st Public Hearing Proposed Tax Notice

(4-0) approve March 25, 2024 at 6:00 pm for 1st Public Hearing on the Proposed Tax Notice in the Northwood Kensett Community School District Administrative Building, 1496 480th St., Northwood, IA 50459

Approve the Certification and the 2024-25 Budget

(4-0) authorize publishing the budget for the 2024-2025 school year in the Northwood Anchor and set a budget hearing for April 11, 2024 at 6:01 pm in the North-

wood-Kensett Community School District Administrative Building, 1496 480th St., Northwood, IA 50459

Resolution for Budget Guarantee FY25

(4-0) approve the resolution for a Budget Guarantee for Fiscal Year 2025, that the Board of Directors of the Northwood-Kensett Community School District will levy property taxes for the fiscal year 2024-2025 for the regular program adjustment as allowed under section 257.14 Code of Iowa IA Natural Gas Risk Pool

(4-0) continue the participation in the Iowa Local Government Risk Pool agreement for Natural Gas.

Cameras and Install

(4-0) approve the low bid for cameras, installation, and licensing for five years from Aloha wireless for a total of \$99,897.09

Parking Lot and Playground resurfacing

(4-0) approve the bid of \$209,564.35 from Heartland Asphalt for resurfacing and new parking lots

Support Staff Pay Schedule

(4-0) approve the support staff pay schedule as presented by Superintendent Crozier

Letters of Assignment for Classified Personnel for 2024-25

(4-0) approve issuing letters of assignment for classified personnel for 2024-2025 as presented by Superintendent Crozier

Contracts Bus Drivers, Director of Transp., Director of Technology, Bus Mgr

(4-0) approve issuing Contracts for Bus Drivers, Director of Transportation, Director of Technology, Business Manager/Board Secretary and School Nurse for the 2024-2025 school year as presented by Superintendent Crozier

Contracts for Administration

(4-0) approve issuing two-year continuing contracts for the principals and Superintendent for the 2024-2025 & 2025-2026 school years as presented by Superintendent Crozier

Adjournment

(4-0) adjourn the meeting at 7:07 pm

Northwood-Kensett Community School District

Vendor Name, Vendor Description, Amount

AGVANTAGE FS, INC propane.....817.21

AIRGAS USA, LLC SUPPLIES.....513.92

All Star Pest Control pest control.....75.00

ALLIANT ENERGY ELECTRICITY.....15,333.17

Amazon Capital Services SUPPLIES.....1,044.40

CAM Community School District open enrollment.....3,885.40

CARQUEST AUTO PARTS SUPPLIES.....102.26

CDW GOVERNMENT, INC. supplies.....336.18

CENTRAL SPRINGS CSD shared HR/Social Worker.....16,840.00

CITY OF NORTHWOOD water/sewer.....961.03

Crozier, Michael REIMBURSEMENT.....245.00

Dalco, supplies.....518.60

DEMCO, INC. SUPPLIES.....86.40

DRIVEWISE, service.....592.50

ELECTRONIC SPECIALTIES, INC. service.....504.90

FALLGATTER'S MARKET SUPPLIES.....636.04

IOWA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS conference.....350.00

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES medicaid.....1,286.22

IOWA SCHOOL FINANCE INFORMATION Budget workshop.....300.00

Iowa Water Management Company, boiler service.....225.00

JOSTENS, INC., supplies.....255.70

Kelly Hardware SUPPLIES.....510.25

LAKE MILLS CSD open enrollment.....5,840.10

Maroo, Mackensie reimbursement.....46.50

MARTIN BROTHERS supplies.....1,373.99

MIDWEST BUS PARTS, INC supplies.....114.95

NASSCO INC, SUPPLIES 787.86

Nexus Cooperative, salt.....84.50

North Central Distribution supplies.....742.50

NORTHWOOD SANITATION garbage.....630.00

One Source Background Check Company background checks.....80.00

PERMA BOUND BOOKS BOOKS.....134.71

SCHOOL SPECIALTY LLC SUPPLIES.....166.40

ST. ANSGAR CSD concurrent enr.....612.40

Staples Business Credit supplies.....99.99

Thorson, Megan reimb supplies.....74.20

TIMBERLINE BILLING SERVICE LLC MEDICAID BILLING.....137.95

VISA, supplies.....5,805.29

WINNEBAGO COOPERATIVE TELECOM ASSN phone/internet service.....698.99

WORTH COUNTY ENGINEER diesel/gas.....2,093.28

Worth Lumber Company supplies.....1,562.72

Fund Number 10.....66,505.51

Albert Lea Community Theater supplies.....200.00

Amazon Capital Services SUPPLIES.....214.76

Brink Sportswear LLC sports apparel.....5,615.00

Church Offset Printing supplies.....553.60

CLARION-GOLDFIELD HIGH SCHOOL, fee.....100.00

DECKER SPORTING GOODS clothing.....561.65

Denver High School, fee.....150.00

FALLGATTER'S MARKET SUPPLIES.....117.57

Frost, Leo reimbursement.....997.00

Game One, supplies.....489.13

HAMPTON-DUMONT HIGH SCHOOL, fee.....110.00

Haxton, Ashley reimbursement.....31.20

Heaney, Diane reimbursement.....428.63

IOWA ASSOCIATION OF TRACK COACHES fee.....200.00

IOWA FOOTBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION, fee.....55.00

IOWA HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH ASSOCIATION, fee.....52.00

JOSTENS, INC. supplies.....1,819.52

LAKE MILLS CSD, fee.....100.00

N-K GENERAL FUND officials.....86.12

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD CSD fee.....200.00

NORTH IOWA CSD, fee.....100.00

Northwood Country Club fee.....500.00

Richard Mock Piano Service service.....570.00

Rieman Music, Inc supplies.....18.84

ST. ANSGAR CSD, fee.....150.00

Subway, meals.....91.18

SUNTKEN, CHRIS official.....180.00

Thorson, Megan reimb supplies.....26.30

WEST HANCOCK HIGH SCHOOL.....200.00

Fund Number 21.....13,917.50

Dean Snyder Construction Co general contractor services.....70,839.88

Tremco/Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc repair services.....746.00

Fund Number 33.....71,585.88

ACCESS SYSTEMS INC copier lease.....1,089.46

American Time & Signal Co equipment.....1,865.75

HOGLUND BUS COMPANY REPAIRS.....7,250.00

OVERHEAD DOOR CO. OF MASON CITY, service.....2,141.00

Fund Number 36.....12,346.21

EMS DETERGENT SERVICES SUPPLIES.....506.67

FALLGATTER'S MARKET SUPPLIES.....32.43

GOODWIN TUCKER GROUP repairs.....1,003.56

MARTIN BROTHERS Food/supplies.....17,890.72

PAN-O-GOLD BAKING CO BREAD.....872.40

Rapids Foodservice Contract & Design, equipment.....32.22

Fund Number 61.....20,338.00

Supervisors

February 16, 2024

Special Meeting
The Worth County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment with Enos Loberg, Mark Smeby and A.J. Stone, present. Also present were Renee Von Bokern, HR/Bargaining Consultant (via Zoom); Dan Fank, sheriff; Jesse Luther, chief deputy; and Jacki Backhaus, auditor.

Meeting called to order by Stone at 7:30 A.M.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Chairperson Stone recessed the regular session at 7:32 A.M.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to open the exempt session per Iowa Code 20.17 – Bargaining

Strategy Discussion at 7:32 A.M. Roll call vote: Loberg – Aye; Smeby – Aye; Stone – Aye. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to close the exempt session at 8:19 A.M. Motion carried.

Chairperson Stone recessed the regular session.

The following topics were discussed: sheriff's budget discussion regarding keeping inmates in house or transporting to neighboring county and FY25 county budget discussion with auditor.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Aaron Stone, Chairperson

Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Worth County Board of Supervisors following the public hearing concerning the proposed sale, will receive bids, sell and convey the interests of Worth County in the following described real estate, to-wit:

That part of the South One-Half (S ½) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Thirty (30), Township One Hundred (100) North, Range Twenty-One (21) West of the 5th P.M., Worth County, Iowa, excluding the Well and Water tower located on the East 523.4 feet and the South 602.2 feet consisting of approximately 10 acres not including ROW for roads.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that an auction sale shall be held at 10:00 a.m. on April 1, 2024, in the supervisors chambers of the Worth County Courthouse, Northwood, Iowa, that the minimum bid is \$60,000.00 that sale is “as is” and that no abstract will be furnished, that anyone

wishing to submit a written bid may do so by delivering the bid to the Worth County Auditor prior to April 1, 2024 and that at 10:00 a.m. all bids will be opened and the highest bid will be the starting point for the auction unless said highest bid is less than the minimum bid in which case the starting bid will be the minimum bid, the successful bidder shall pay a minimum of 10% down and enter into a purchase agreement with sale to occur within 30 days, included in the purchase agreement shall be the requirement that the successful bidder shall build a building at least 50' x 80' within 18 months and failure to complete the same will result in an additional payment of \$20,000 to Worth County, Iowa, and that notice of hearing shall be published as required by law.

ADOPTED this 11th day of March 2024.

A. J. Stone, Chairperson

Worth County Board

of Supervisors

ATTEST: Jacki A. Backhaus,

Worth County Auditor

CITY NAME:
NORTHWOOD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CITY OF NORTHWOOD - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY
Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

CITY #: 98-947

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:
Meeting Date: 3/25/2024 Meeting Time: 05:30 PM Meeting Location: City Hall
At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.

City Website (if available)
www.northwoodia.org

City Telephone Number
(641) 324-1075

Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Property Tax 2023 - 2024	Certified 2023 - 2024	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2024 - 2025	Proposed Property Tax 2024 - 2025
Taxable Valuations for Non-Debt Service	59,906,441		64,885,318	64,885,318
Consolidated General Fund	485,242		485,242	510,263
Operation & Maintenance of Public Transit	0		0	0
Aviation Authority	0		0	0
Liability, Property & Self Insurance	100,000		100,000	100,000
Support of Local Emergency Mgmt. Comm.	0		0	0
Unified Law Enforcement	0		0	0
Police & Fire Retirement	0		0	0
FICA & IPERS (If at General Fund Limit)	0		0	0
Other Employee Benefits	127,600		127,600	144,915
Capital Projects (Capital Improv. Reserve)	0		0	0
Taxable Value for Debt Service	69,261,655		72,521,223	72,521,223
Debt Service	0		0	0
CITY REGULAR TOTAL PROPERTY TAX	712,842		712,842	755,178
CITY REGULAR TAX RATE	11.89926		10.98618	11.63865
Taxable Value for City Ag Land	1,312,692		1,419,562	1,419,562
Ag Land	3,943		3,943	4,264
CITY AG LAND TAX RATE	3.00375		2.77762	3.00375
Tax Rate Comparison Current VS. Proposed				
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Value of \$100,000	Current Year 2023/2024	Certified	Budget Year Proposed 2024/2025	Percent Change
City Regular Resident	650		539	-17.08
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Value of \$100,000	Current Year 2023/2024	Certified	Budget Year Proposed 2024/2025	Percent Change
City Regular Commercial	650		539	-17.08

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and Commercial properties have the same Rollback Percentage at \$100,000 Actual/Assessed Valuation.

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:
A decreased tax levy is presented but with the increase of valuations and inflation we are proposing an increase to help pay for the street overlay project, and increased expenses in streets, parks & rec, swimming pool, and police protection.

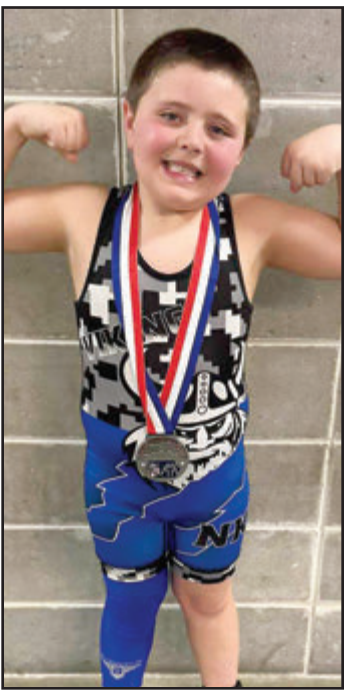
WORTH COUNTY		NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025		COUNTY NUMBER: 98
The County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year County tax asking as follows: Meeting Date: 3/25/2024 Meeting Time: 10:00 AM Meeting Location: Worth County Board of Supervisors' Room At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the Board will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed county budget.				
County Website (if available) worthcountyiowa.gov		County Telephone Number (641) 324-2316		
Iowa Department of Management		Current Year Certified Property Tax FY 2023/2024	Budget Year Effective Tax FY 2024/2025	Budget Year Proposed Tax FY 2024/2025
Taxable Valuations-General Services		685,109,250	743,963,139	743,963,139
Requested Tax Dollars-Countywide Rates		4,316,188	4,316,188	5,078,448
Tax Rate-Countywide		6.30000	5.80162	6.82621
Taxable Valuations-Rural Services		555,407,521	597,320,049	597,320,049
Requested Tax Dollars-Additional Rural Levies		1,635,675	1,635,675	1,707,869
Tax Rate-Rural Additional		2.94500	2.73836	2.85922
Rural Total		9.24500	8.53998	9.68543
Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed				
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000		Current Year Certified Property Tax FY 2023/2024	Budget Year Proposed Tax FY 2024/2025	Percent Change
Urban Taxpayer		344	316	-8.14
Rural Taxpayer		505	449	-11.09
Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed				
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Value of \$100,000		Current Year Certified Property Tax FY 2023/2024	Budget Year Proposed Tax FY 2024/2025	Percent Change
Urban Taxpayer		344	316	-8.14
Rural Taxpayer		505	449	-11.09
Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:				



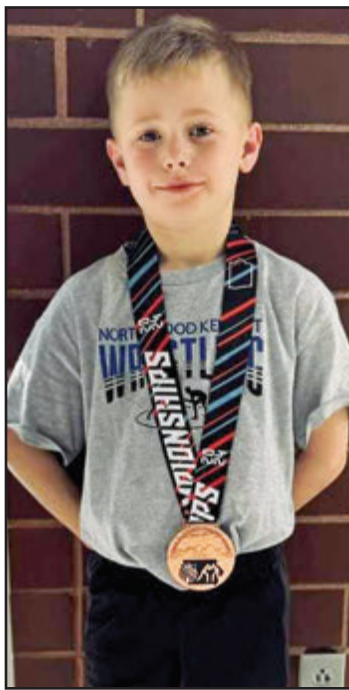
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Celebrating more of Dr. Seuss at Northwood-Kensett School



Wrestlers compete at state events

Five young wrestlers recently traveled to the AAU Super PeeWee State competition in Waterloo. Of those three placed in top 8. That included Clay Bauers in the kindergarten division. In the first grade session Zander Duvall and Beckham Sheffield competed, with Sheffield taking second place. Kase Bachtle took sixth place in the second grade division. In the second grade girls competition, Sophie Hulshizer took first place. Two girls also competed in Cedar Rapids at the AAU Girls State event. In the third/fourth grade division, Harper Sheffield took sixth place. Jessi Ausborn competed in the high school division.

Lady Vikings start out the year strong

By Morgan Wallin and Macy Thorson

This year, the Lady Vikings Track and Field team has 16 returning athletes and 4 new incoming athletes.

They are led by seniors Lindsey Moore, Morgan Wallin, Emma Hengesteg, Chloe Costello and junior Macy Thorson, who all qualified for the state track meet last year.

Thorson, Hengesteg, Wallin and Moore ran on the shuttle hurdle team that placed second, and Moore finished fourth in the 100 hurdles.

On Tuesday, March 4, 11 lady vikings traveled to Wartburg College to compete in their first indoor track meet of the season.

Each of the Lady Vikings did extremely well for their first meet.

There were five events



that placed in the top 8. Those runners and events are as follows: Lindsey Moore placed first in the 55 meter hurdles; Macy Thorson placed second in the open 55 meters; and Mallory Rheinigans placed seventh in the open 800 meters.

The 4x800 meter team, which consists of Alexandria Hanson-Brandsoy, Jessika Ausborn, Sophie Rye and Mallory Rheinigans, placed fourth. The 4x200 meter team, which consists of Lindsey Moore, Emma Hengesteg, Morgan Wallin and Macy Thorson, placed

sixth. All the athletes did very well. Congratulations to each and every one of them. The Lady Vikings will resume their competitive season on March 8, when they will compete at the Iowa State Indoor Meet in Ames.

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