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A groundbreaking addition at ADA

Last week ADA Enterprises broke ground on their new addition. The expansion adds 50,000 square feet on the west side of the building. It will allow the company to expand its manufacturing lines and expand its workforce. This adds to the existing 70,000 square feet of factory space.

Fair brings new, returning entertainment, activities and much more

The Worth County Fair gets underway today (Wednesday). With this year's fair festivities come a number of new entertainment and activities, from the grandstand to the shelter house and throughout the fairgrounds.

The fair entertainment is available with access to the Worth County Fair. A change for this year's fair is that fair buttons have been replaced with wristbands. Wristbands are available for $10 per day or $20 for the length of the fair.

The opening night of the fair tonight begins with the crowning of the Worth County Fair Queen, at 6:30 p.m. in the shelter house. Fair queen candidates will include Jessi Ausborn, Kamryn Backhaus, Madison Edwards, Khloe Kruger, Kenley Meyer and Adessa Newhoff.

The fair queen will be found hosting and helping at events throughout the week of the fair after she is crowned Wednesday night.

Grandstand entertainment on the first night of the fair will have young people testing their riding skills on the back of sheep with Mutton Busting, which starts at 7 p.m.

Grandstand fun on Thursday night, June 20, at 7 p.m., brings the rodeo, with Bulls, Barrels and Broncos.

Josh and Lea Knotts will bring their Extreme Illusion and Escapes show to the Grandstand Friday night at 7 p.m. The show includes comedy along with the namesake illusions and escapes, with audience involvement and more for an entertaining show.

Saturday brings the annual demolition derby show at 7 p.m. in the grandstand. This year the Masters of Disaster Demo Derby will start with a Power Wheels derby for kids ages 3-9.

Sunday begins with a community church service in the shelter house at 9 a.m.

That will be followed at 11 a.m. with the Baby Contest, with parents invited to enter their children in several cute categories, with registration beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The last day of the fair ends with the Figure 8 races in the grandstand at 6 p.m.

In addition to the entertainment in the grandstand, a beer garden will also be open in the area north of the grandstand this year. It is for those 21 years old and older, Thursday through Sunday, from 5-10 p.m. Drinks have to be purchase and consumed in the garden. No outside beverages will be allowed inside. The beer garden is intended to raise funds for future grandstand events.

Other entertainment will bring shows almost every day of the fair, located on the area north of the shelter house and livestock buildings.

That includes the Space Adventures show. The "out of this world" act includes a trampoline wall, motorcycle globe, aerial students, fire and comedy.

Pompeyo's Ranch Dog Show features family performers and their canine stars. They've appeared on America's Got Talent and the Nickelodeon network. This week they'll appear at the Worth County Fair.

Lew-E's Comedy Circus is a show that features comedy, juggling, magic and chances for the crow to be a part of the show.

Agri-golf will bring a 9 hole mini golf course with LED lights for after dark fun. The course also offers a

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Health region update discussed

The potential changes to mental health regions was discussed by the supervisors as the change was set to begin in July 2025.

Supervisor AJ Stone shared his concerns about issues the realignment of mental and behavioral health regions could create after Worth County had worked to find a mental health solution.

Years ago the county had been a part of a larger group of counties, and County officials were not happy with the lack of services and input at that time.

After years of effort, in 2020, Worth joined a new region. Since the change, Worth residents have had improved access to 24/7 crisis response and ongoing services, treatment services, mental health supports and educational services. Stone serves on the board of the region.

Starting by July 1, 2025, according to Stone, new regions will take effect. Worth will be one of 15-18 counties in one of seven

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School board discusses salary savings

At their regular meeting last week, the Northwood-Kensett Board of Education discussed how much the district had saved with retiring teachers and having new staff on board for the coming school year.

Every few years, districts like N-K offer early retirement incentives, both as acknowledgment of service to longtime teachers as they retire, and as a money saving measure, as new teachers are hired at lower salaries.

At the June 13 board meeting, superintendent Mike Crozier shared numbers on how much the district will save in the coming school year.

Teachers David Capitani, Marty Cotter, Steve Hartman, Lori Hill, Annette Orvedal, Mike Reindl and Ryan Severson retired at the end of the school year.

The salaries of the seven teachers that retired at the end of the school year totaled $616,981.95.

Teachers that have been hired to fill the open posi-

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Hearings on the way to define EMS districts

Later in June and early July, hearings will be held in several Worth County cities, and for two groups of townships, to discuss the reports on EMS or ambulance districts.

Since last year county, city and township officials have been working on a way to fund requests for ambulance service.

In the western side of the county, including a portion of Danville, along with Fertile, Bristol and Silver Lake townships and the cities of Joice, Fertile and Hanlontown, funds are being sought for the Winnebago County Ambulance Service.

The Mason City Fire Department has requested $500 per ambulance call to the area that includes Lincoln, Union and a portion of Danville townships and the cities of Manly and Grafton.

The Worth County supervisors have approved the use of pandemic relief funds to fulfill the ambulance requests for now. City and

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Council discusses dogs, signs, yards and park

At meetings in May, the Northwood city council discussed dog policy, stop signs, yard waste and vandalism.

At their meeting on May 13, the council discussed a situation with a dog bite and related city policy.

Worth County Sheriff Dan Fank updated the council on the situation with a dog bite.

Fank said that the City's policy in regards to dog bites has been, when there is no proof of rabies vaccination, the dog is kept for 10 days to see if it shows any signs of rabies.

In this case the owner euthanized the dog before they could wait the 10 days, despite being advised not to by law enforcement.

Fank said that the only way to have prevented that would have been for the City to take control of the dog and house it at the veterinarian's office. While that would make sure it was alive long enough to display rabies signs, it would make the city liable if

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The Week's WEATHER

From National Weather Service Observer information

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. June 11	75	54	
Wed. June 12	86	56	0.03
Thurs. June 13	89	60	0.04
Fri. June 14	89	55	
Sat. June 15	90	55	T
Sun. June 16	81	65	0.67
Mon. June 17	90	68	





Celebrating the first Night in Northwood

Last Thursday night, the first of a series of Nights in Northwood was held. Organized by local volunteers and community members. The event featured children's games, educational activities, food and other vendors and a number of other entertainment and activities. Pictured above at left is the band 507 Country, entertainment for the night. See more pictures on page 2. Nights in Northwood continues on June 27, July 11 and 25 and August 8 and 22.

Worth County Fair this week! — See Inside

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chance to test ag knowledge and take part in daily tournaments.

Fair favorite Nick's Kids Show returns with the interactive musical performances that brings kids on stage to perform.

The Donnie Moretz Memorial Kiddie Barn will once again host an ag learning center that brings kids in contact with live animals and learning opportunities, including two visits every day with area farmers.

The fair will also include community exhibits, 4-H and FFA livestock shows and exhibits, food from the 4-H Food Stand and much more.

More information on other fair events and activities is available in the Worth County Fair Book sent to homes in May, also available online at http://nwdanchor.com/worth-county-fair-book-2024. Information is also available at the Worth County Fair website, online at worthcountyfair.com.

Wednesday
8:30 a.m. Dog Show- - New Horse Barn
11 a.m.- Meet a Farmer– Goats- Ag Learning Center
12 noon- Free Meal (sponsored by WCAT)- Shelter House
1:30 p.m.- Horse Show (Halter & Pleasure)- Horse Arena
2 p.m.- Pet Show- Livestock Arena
5-9 p.m.- Carnival (FREE wrist band night)
5:30 p.m.- Meet a Farmer – Pigs- Ag Learning Center
6:30 p.m.- Fair Queen Finals- Shelter House
7 p.m.- Mutton Busting- (4-6 p.m. Registration)- Grandstand

Thursday
11 a.m.- Meet a Farmer – Dairy- Ag Learning Center
12 noon- 4-H Educational Presentations- Community Room
1:30 p.m.- Livestock Judging Contest- Livestock Arena
3 p.m.- Farm Bureau Tractor Contest- North of Quonset Building
4 p.m.- Rabbit Show- Poultry Barn
5 p.m.- Free Meal (Sponsored by Federal Foam. Technologies)- Shelter House
5:30 p.m.- Meet a Farmer – Beef- Ag Learning Center
7 p.m.- Bulls, Barrels, & Broncs Rodeo- Grandstand

Friday
9 a.m.- Swine Show- Livestock Arena
10 a.m.- Library Story Hour- Community Room
11 a.m.- Meet a Farmer – Bees- Ag Learning Center
12 noon- Free Lunch (Sponsored by Farmers State Bank)- Shelter House
1:30 p.m.- Horse Show (Games)- Horse Arena
2 p.m. (approximately)- Stick Horse Rodeo- Horse Arena
3 p.m.- Poultry Show- Poultry/Pet Barn
5 p.m.- Farm Bureau Cookout Contest- Shelter House
5:30 p.m.- Meet a Farmer – Sheep- Ag Learning Center
7 p.m.- Extreme Illusions & Escapes- Grandstand

Saturday
8 a.m.- Beef Show- Livestock Arena
11 a.m.- Meet a Farmer – Grain/Forage- Ag Learning Center
12 noon- Free Lunch (Sponsored by NSB Bank)- Shelter House
12:30 p.m.- Bucket Bottle Calf Show- Livestock Arena
2:30 p.m.- Dairy Show- Livestock Arena
5:30 p.m.- Meet a Farmer – Produce- Ag Learning Center
6 p.m.- 4-H Style Show & Awards- Shelter House
7 p.m.- Demo Derby- Grandstand

Sunday
9 a.m.- Church Service- Shelter House
9 a.m.-3 p.m.- Open Fun Horse Show- Horse Arena
11 a.m. Baby Contest- (Check-In at 10:30 a.m.)- Shelter House
11 a.m.- Barn Interviews- Livestock Arena
12 noon- Worth County Cattlemen's Beef BBQ- Shelter House
1 p.m.- Goat Show- Livestock Arena
2 p.m.- Sheep Show- Livestock Arena
2 p.m.- Meet A Farmer – Poultry- Ag Learning Center
3 p.m.- Pedal Pull- (2:30 Registration)- Outside Shelter House
6 p.m.- Figure 8 Races- Grandstand

Monday
6:30 p.m.- Livestock Ribbon Sale- Livestock Arena



The preparations for this year's fair included refurbishing the shelter house.





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anything happened while transporting the animal and while it is located at the vet's office.

Fank said that this was the first time there had been an issue and recommended that the City maintain its policy.

Fank was asked what happened to the person that was bitten. He said that in this case, it would be up to them if they got treated for rabies.

Samples of the dog were sent to be tested for rabies, but results would not be ready before the person bitten should be treated.

The council agreed that if this becomes a repeated issue, they would review the dog policy.

The council discussed a potential request for additional stop signs in the city.

A deputy had suggested a stop sign at an intersection where he had nearly been hit by a vehicle.

According to Fank, in the past the council had looked at adding more stop signs, but denied the request. For his part, Fank said that the Sheriff's Office would be fine with adding stop signs wherever the City wanted.

Council member Mike Bode said that it is nice to be able to travel in the city on streets with open intersections. He said that it's fine if you're paying attention.

Mayor Doug Moehle said that the city has refused requests in the past. Moehle also said that even if stop signs were in place, there are people that don't stop for signs.

Council members Teresa George-Zenz and Annika Schreiber said that the council should look at intersections where there are no stop signs.

Moehle said that there haven't been many accidents to use to decide where signs would be needed. There also aren't any traffic counts to consider, according to Moehle.

At their May 28 meeting the council discussed grass clippings on city streets.

Two owners of lawn mowing services in the City were at the meeting to ask about the City's policy of collecting lawn trimming.

City superintendent Dirk Van Ryswyk said that the City policy is not to pick up grass clippings, but that they had done it one time at the start of spring.

Since then people, including the lawn mowing services, had left grass on the streets.

According to city policy, residents wanting to remove lawn clippings and other yard waste are required to place them in biodegradable to be collected by the City. The City also collects brush and tree limbs cut to less than 10 feet in length.

Residents can also take yard waste to the city dump located west of town on Nettle Avenue.

The council also discussed park vandalism with Van Ryswyk.

In the newer bathroom, according to Van Ryswyk, people had used charcoal and feces to vandalize the bathrooms.

Council members and mayor Moehle discussed the possibility of locking the bathrooms at night and potentially buying cameras.

In other business, the council discussed requiring people to have numbers clearly displayed on their home, as required by city code.

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township representatives have been working to find a way to pay for ambulance requests going forward.

One option is to form EMS districts, which can levy a property tax of up to $1 per $1,000 of taxable valuation. Agricultural property is exempt.

State law states that EMS districts can be formed between townships and separately within city boundaries.

At meetings in April, the Worth County supervisors, on behalf of the townships, and each city council approved the formation of EMS districts in their borders.

With the supervisors and city councils approving EMS districts, an engineering firm was consulted to officially draw the borders of the EMS districts, and detail the properties in the districts that can be used for tax valuation.

Hearings for the EMS district engineering reports have been set for the coming weeks.

The City of Fertile will hold a hearing for its EMS district on Tuesday, June 25.

The City of Grafton will hold a hearing for its EMS district on Thursday, June 27, at 7 p.m.

The City of Hanlontown will hold a hearing for its EMS district on Monday, June 24, at 6 p.m.

The City of Joice will hold a hearing for its EMS district on Thursday, June 27 ,at 6 p.m.

The City of Manly will hold a hearing for its EMS district on Monday, July 1, at 7 p.m.

The Worth County supervisors will hold hearings for the two rural township EMS districts. The hearing for the southeastern district will be held at their meeting on Monday, July 1, at 9:15 a.m. The hearing for the western district will be held at the meeting on Monday, July 8, at 9 a.m.

Following the hearings, the city councils and supervisors will be left to alter or approve the districts as presented by the engineers.

With the districts defined, elections are planned to be held in September, asking voters whether or not they would approve the levies needed to support ambulance service, with a property tax levy in any amount up to $1 per $1,000 of taxable valuation, with agricultural land exempt.

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regions in the state. The board will no longer include decision-making representation for every participating county. Instead, Worth might be included on an advisory committee.

Stone said that he and other neighboring county leaders are worried that since they are on the edge of the region, they may not have the same access to mental health resources.

Stone said that the services won't change, but Worth County will have less say in how they are provided.

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tions will have total salaries of $379,889.64.

That is a salary savings to the district of $237,092.31, or an average of $33,870.33 per position next school year.

Crozier also shared savings that the district will see in replacing five staff members that are leaving the district. That includes counselor Dakota Hansen and teachers Natalie Henkel, Jordan Reindl, Katie Strom and Aron Mathahs. Their salaries totaled $302,939.91.

Four staff members have been hired to replace those five staff members. The total salaries are $262,126.80, a savings of $40,813.11, according to Crozier.

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South Dakota State announces spring 2024 Dean's List

More than 3,300 students were recognized for their outstanding academic performance over the sping 2024 semester at South Dakota State University by being named to the dean's list.

To earn dean's list distinctions in SDSU's colleges, students must have completed a minimum of 12 credits and must have earned at least a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale. Students with F, I, U, RI or RU grades are not eligible regardless of system term GPA attained. Note that this report includes courses that were taken at other South Dakota institutions this term. A minimum of 12 credits within the 100-699 course range must be taken. A student who passes pregeneral education courses may still qualify, if the student has 12 other credits that do fall within the 100-699 range.

Local students include:

• Ryan Hackbart of Grafton, Iowa, a student in SDSU's College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences.

• Sydney Rasmusson of Glenville, Minnesota, a student in SDSU's College of Nursing.

U of I spring semester Dean's List honorees announced

More than 7,650 undergraduate students at the University of Iowa were named to the dean's list for the 2024 spring semester.

Named to the list was local student Evelyn Ocel of Northwood, who is a third year student enrolled in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, majoring in Psychology.

Degree seeking undergraduate students in the Carver College of Medicine, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the College of Education, the College of Engineering, the College of Public Health, the Tippie College of Business, and University College who achieved a grade-point average (GPA) of 3.50 or higher on 12 semester hours or more of UI graded coursework during a given semester or summer session and who have no semester hours of "I" (incomplete) or "O" (no grade reported) during the same semester are recognized by inclusion on the dean's list for that semester.

Hugo graduates from Western Technical College

David Hugo, of Joice, graduated from Western Technical College from the Landscape Horticulture Technician program.

Hugo is one of 712 graduates to receive an associate's degree or technical diploma in the 2024 Spring Term.

ISU announces spring 2024 Dean's List

More than 10,600 Iowa State University students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the spring semester 2024 Dean's List. Students named to the Dean's List must earn a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

Area students earning a spot on the Dean's List include Hailey Beatty, 3, Animal Science, and Mallory Suzanne Wilhelm, 3, Veterinary Medicine, of Joice; Marli Ann Backhaus, 4, Elementary Education, and Jadyn Ann Beland, 3, Animal Science of Kensett; Cecelia Susan Hill, 4, Kinesiology and Health, and Hannah Lanphere, 4, Animal Science of Manly; Emma L. Davidson, 3, Agronomy, Kennedy Kaye Eskildsen, 4, Animal Science, and Hayden Michael Moore, 3, Finance of Northwood; and Tianna Laura Charlson, 4, Animal Science of Plymouth.



KOOPER JULSETH

Boys track banquet held

The 2024 N-K boys track banquet was held on May 23, 2024.

Athletes were given plaques for different honors. Pictured here is Kooper Julseth - MVP and not available for photo because of a baseball game were Carson Tufte - Newcomer of the Year and Aiden Bice - Most Improved.

Tips for hunting for wild mushrooms in Iowa

In Iowa, mushroom hunting is quite common. However, knowing the peak time to hunt for a particular mushroom can be challenging.

Chelsea Harbach, a plant disease diagnostician in the Plant and Insect Diagnostic Clinic with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, shares helpful guidelines when hunting for common mushrooms.

Three common types of mushrooms are regularly sought out. While using the mushroom foraging calendar key, Iowans can find peak times to hunt for common, white, black or half-free morels in the Spring; Chicken of the Woods in late summer; and oysters May through September.

When hunting for mushrooms, you can determine whether the mushroom is edible or inedible by asking:

Does the mushroom have a stem or cap?

Does the mushroom have gills or pores?

Where is the mushroom growing?

How is the mushroom growing? Out of the soil or out of a tree?

What is the time of year?

Does the mushroom have spore prints?

How does the mushroom smell?

A dangerous mushroom found in Iowa belongs to the Verpa species. These mushrooms look like morel mushrooms. However, these mushrooms have a wrinkly cap and similar stem, but when viewed closer, differences appear. The Verpa species will have a cottony pith in the middle of their stem, whereas morel stems are always hollow.

Mushrooms in Iowa enjoy rain without excessive heat. When searching, also avoid aged mushrooms. If a mushroom is of an older age, then you are more likely to find insects and decay. If the fungal tissue is degrading, this can make you ill. A common mushroom in Iowa is the dryad saddle, which is best found in its younger stages when it has a more fleshy outside. As this mushroom grows and gets older, it becomes woodier.

Since mushroom hunting is very popular in Iowa, Harbach holds a Wild Mushroom Certification course each spring. The dates for next year will be announced in January of 2025.

Drought conditions end after four years

From the Iowa DNR:

After four years of below normal rainfall and drought conditions, the State of Iowa has returned to normal hydrologic conditions, according to the latest Water Summary Update.

The last time Iowa was free from any drought designation by the U.S. Drought Monitor (USDM) was June of 2020.

May's preliminary statewide precipitation was 7.51 inches across the state, or 2.67 inches above normal. The increased rainfall has led to improved streamflow and soil moisture conditions across the state, with the spring months of March, April and May ranking among the top 10 wettest on record. May had an average statewide temperature of 50.7 degrees, just over two degrees above normal.

"The above normal rainfall in May was significant, and it helped to push drought conditions out of the state. Six of the last eight months have been wetter than normal, and that is exactly the trend we have been waiting to see," said Tim Hall, the DNR's Hydrology Resources Coordinator. "If we continue to see normal rainfall in the months ahead we will be in great shape this year, with soil moisture and streamflow returning to normal levels."

June through August normally sees an increase in water demand, so having a recharged hydrologic system is important as the summer season begins.

For a thorough review of Iowa's water resource trends, visit www.iowadnr.gov/watersummaryupdate.

The report is prepared by technical staff from Iowa DNR, the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, IIHR—Hydroscience and Engineering and the U.S. Geological Survey, in collaboration with Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department.

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Worth County Ribbon Sale



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6:30 p.m.

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SCHEDULE
Beef - 6:30 p.m.
Dairy - 7:15 p.m.
Sheep and Goats
7:30 p.m.
Swine - 8 p.m.

Worth County Extension Service

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Planting the 4-H gardens

Before the end of the school year, Northwood-Kensett sixth gradres took part a garden project. Working with Worth County Extension staff and master gardener Peter Julseth, the students divided the 4-H garden into squares and chose a mixture of fruits, vegetables, flowers and other plants and put what they learned to work. The results of their gardening efforts can be seen at the fair this week.

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City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on June 10, 2024 at 6:00 pm with Mayor Moehle presiding and the following council members present:

George-Zenz, Bode, Peterson, Schreiber, Reeder.

Motion to approve the agenda. Unam.

Motion to approve the following under Consent Agenda: Meeting Minutes of May 28, 2024; Treasurer Report, Approve 5 day Liquor License-Nordic Lanes @ Worth Co. Fair (June 19-23), Claims as follows:

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NSB, Monthly ACH Fee $20.00
Iowa Finance Authority
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Iowa Finance Authority
Sewer Revenue Bond $229,356.80
Iowa Dept of Revenue
Sales Tax $492.58
Iowa Dept of Revenue
WA Excise Tax $1,432.63
Verizon Wireless
Cell Phones, router-tr,fd $106.89
Visa
Supplies, IDrive, Conference..... $1,160.37
Wellmark BCBS
Insurance..... $3,935.83
Wellmark BCBS
Insurance..... $695.70
Principal, Insurance..... $497.54
Payroll, Wages..... $21,379.84
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Repairs-pd building..... $4,750.00
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Kevin Springer Const.
Sidewalk Repairs $8,325.00
Knutson Oil Co.
Fuel-pw,tr..... $1,829.00
Menards, Bushes-cc $214.46
Microbac, Testing-pw..... $984.35
Mosca Design
Christmas Décor $6,290.20
Nelson Septic Service
Services-pw..... $350.00
Nexus, Supplies-pw..... $223.59
Northern Lights Dist
Supplies-pool $1,704.50
Northwood Sanitation
Services..... $7,696.00
Northwood Senior Center
Monthly Donation $800.00
Northwood Waterworks
Water Dep Refund $100.00
Trading Post
Supplies-pw $9.28
Three Oaks Greenhouse
Flowers-cem,cc,streets $5,070.85
Unity Point, Audiogram .. $321.50
WCTA, Phone/Internet $647.71
Worth Co Sheriff Office
28E Law Enforcement .....
..... $32,105.87
Worth Lumber Co.
Supplies-pw $320.46
Library
Alliant Energy, Utilities .. $269.76
Visa , Supplies..... $244.06
Absolute Science
Program $375.00
Ace Professional Cleaning Serv
Services..... $60.00
Baker & Taylor
Materials $1,307.15
Carolyn Reeder
Plant Expense $42.97
CenterPoint Large Print
Materials $77.91
Jeff Quinn, Program $375.00
Kelly Hardware, Supplies.. $12.99
Marco, Services $66.50
Plunkets Pest Control
Services..... $93.47

Summary of May 2024 receipts by fund type: General - $72,325.25; Special Revenue-$58,894.98; Debt Service - $234,528.86; Capital Projects-$1,707.39; Enterprise-$94,887.30; Trust & Agency - $0.

Summary of May 2024 disbursements by fund type: General - $136,201.12; Special Revenue-$9,142.31; Debt Service-$226,000.00; Capital Projects-$0; Enterprise- $89,580.01; Trust & Agency - $0.

Roll was called and the following voted aye: George-Zenz, Bode, Peterson, Schreiber. Reeder.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2406-12 Transfer of funds from TIF to New Business Development Commercial Revitalization Fund. Unam

Motion to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
CASE NO. ESPR009415
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATORS AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN F. FABER, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Helen F. Faber, Deceased, who died on or about May 16, 2024:

You are hereby notified that on June 6, 2024, the undersigned were appointed administrators of the estate.

Notice is hereby 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 allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated on June 10, 2024.

Justin Faber
1090 390th Street
Kensett, IA 50448
Administrator of the Estate

Jennifer Malone
1589 310th Street
Redding, IA 50860
Administrator of the Estate

John H. Greve
ICIS#: 003086
Greve Law Office
736 Central Ave.
P.O. Box 167
Northwood, IA 50459
Attorney for the Administrator

Date of second publication the 26th day of June, 2024.

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City of Kensett

The Kensett City Council met in regular session 06/10/2024 at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall with Mayor Corey Pulju presiding. Council Members present were Dakin, Bratrud, Douglas and Kauffman.

Absent: Woltzen

Visitors: R. Bauer & Larry Larson

Pulju called meeting to order.

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

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

Maintenance stated that they fixed a water leak on Ash Street and mentioned the DNR ordinance that he sent out last week.

Visitors: Larry Larson wanted an update on where the legal change for his property is at.

Old Business: Ideas were mentioned and agreed upon for Fall grants.

New Business: R80 liquor license is up for renewal. Motion for liquor license renewal by Dakin, 2nd by Kaufman, carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2024-1 water rate increase, motion by Bratrud, 2nd by Douglas to approve, roll call vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2024-2 sewer rate increase, motion by Bratrud, 2nd by Dakin to approve, roll call vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2024-3 garbage rate increase, motion by Bratrud, 2nd by Douglas to approve, roll call vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously.

Max Levy Hearing date was set for June 24th, at 7:00 PM

Treasurer's Report: April 2024 Revenues by Fund: General 7420.17, Utilities 5862.83, Special 6065.26 Total Revenues: $19,348.26. Stands approved as read.

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

Payable: Alliant Energy 29.08, WCTA 357.83, B. Luckason 459.33 (net), L. Luskey-Lestrud 576.08 (net) R. Bauer 1758.65 (net), K. Thompson 1,156.61 (net), Federal & SS 1203.62 (payroll), IPERS 809.85 (payroll), Water Service Tax 152.76 (water), D. Reckner 372.00 (mowing), R. Bratrud 310.00 (mowing), AgSource 151.50 (service-sewer-testing), C. Pulju 230.87 (payroll-net), KFD 400.00 (fire protection), Kensett Water Works 109.00 (sewer fees), Waste Management 1503.41 (garbage & recycling), Nelson Septic 125.00 (Portapot), D&L Equipment 82.94 (supplies), Visa 288.46 (conference), IMWCA 1023.00 (work comp), IRS 4000.00 (balance), L. Kaufman 57.79 (reimbursement), R. Bratrud 375.75 (mowing), Baker & Taylor 379.61 (supplies), The Library Store 148.60, Culligan 11.77, Arlys Bergdale 105.00 (cleaning), Petty Cash 300.00 (June classes), WoCo K-9 Unit 25.00 (donation).

Disbursements by Fund: General 5392.42 Special 0.00, Utilities 482.54, Payroll 10,195.01 (gross)

Total Disbursements: $16,069.97.

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

Krystal Thompson, City Clerk
Corey Pulju, Mayor

Supervisors

June 10, 2024
Twenty-fourth Day

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

Meeting called to order by Smeby at 8:30 A.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve today's agenda and minutes from the June 3, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve final construction progress voucher for project STP-S-CO98(84)- - 5E-98 for project closeout through DOT. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve claims in the amount of $354,751.93 per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Adam Martin, Safety-Eng . 150.00
Advanced Drainage Sys Inc
Supplies-Eng 99.84
Agvantage Fs Inc
Fuel-Eng 10,680.62
Ahlers & Cooney, P.C.
Service-Sup..... 238.00
Aimpoint Inc., Supplies-Shf435.50
Alliant Energy, Service-Shf173.18
Amazon Capital Services
Supplies 435.93
At&T Mobility
Service-Shf..... 1,722.25
Austin Office Products
Supplies-Shf 25.49
Bcn Telecom, Service-Gsr .. 147.40
Black Hills Energy Inc
Service-Eng 262.62
Bmc Aggregates Llc
Rock-Eng 18,347.65
Brian M Kuchay, Md
Ems Contract 100.00
Carquest Auto Parts Inc
Supplies-Eng 1,064.93
Cemstone Concrete Materials, Llc
Sand-Eng 243.00
City Of Joice, Service-Eng ... 87.05
City Of Kensett, Service-Eng33.24
City Of Manly, Service-Eng. 58.48
City Of Northwood
Service-Gsr 418.90
Colton Kisner, Safety-Eng. 150.00
Core & Main Lp
Supplies-Eng 417.46
Critical Hire, Service-Shf .. 150.00
Culligan Of Mason City
Service-Shf..... 260.65
Digital Ally Inc.
Supplies-Shf 5,447.28
Electronic Services System
Service-Rec 1,779.00
Falkstone Llc, Rock-Eng. 1,867.08
Frank Stearns
Service-Mex 450.00
Freeborn County Coop Oil
Fuel-Eng 4,633.50
Galls, Llc, Supplies-Shf 64.03
Geocomm, Inc.
Service-911 ..... 5,764.00
Greve Law Office
Rent & Payroll-Aty 6,872.00
Heartland Asphalt Inc
Supplies-Eng 1,277.76
Heartland Power Coop
Service-Wwt 3,549.98
Hovey's Lawn & Garden
Service-Wwt 300.00
Huber Supply Co Inc
Supplies-Eng 291.60
Hutchinson Salt Company, Inc.
Rock-Eng 11,729.15
Ia Dept Of Agriculture
Levy-Taxes 592.25
Ia Law Enforcement Academy
Service-Shf..... 450.00
Ia Secretary Of State
Service-Aud 30.38
Imwca
Wk Comp Prem-Ins..... 22,094.00
Institute Of Ia Cert Assessors
Edu-Asr..... 1,365.00
Ip Pathways, Service-Dap . 332.50
Isac, Edu-Rec..... 280.00
Iwwa, Dues-San 85.00
Kelly Hardware
Supplies-Con 331.66
Keltek Inc
Service-Dap 160,570.42
Knudtson Automotive Service
Service-Shf..... 24,048.97
Larsen Plumbing & Heating Inc
Service-Gsr 49.00
Lawson Products Inc
Supplies-Con 817.53
Lexisnexis, Service-Aty..... 189.00
Lynn Butler, Safety-Eng.... 150.00
Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Asr & Dap..... 293.00
Marcus Majerczyk
Safety-Eng..... 58.97
Mid-Tech Services
Supplies-Eng 180.00
Midwest Wheel Companies Inc
Parts-Eng..... 27.00
Mitchell Co Sheriff
Service-Shf..... 325.00
Motorola Solutions Inc
Supplies-Shf 21.17
Muscatine County Sheriff's Office
Service-Juj 80.50
Neapolitan Labs Llc
Service-Dap 1,500.00
Nelson Family Trust
Rent-Shf..... 300.00
Northwood Anchor Inc
Renewal-Aty 75.00
Northwood Dental Associates
Service-Shf..... 305.00
Northwood Sanitation Llc
Service-Gsr 211.50
Northwood Volunteer Fire Company, Equip-911 ..... 3,345.58
Nuss Truck & Equipment Inc
Service-Eng 4,482.88
Olson Insurance Inc
Renewal-Ins..... 1,520.00
Pitney Bowes Global
Service-Dap 454.38
Prinsco Inc.
Supplies-Eng 2,320.00
Purchase Power
Postage-Trs..... 93.76
Safety Solutions
Service-Eng 660.80
Schneider Geospatial, Llc
Service-Dap 21,753.00
Scott Lestrud, Safety-Eng . 150.00
Shane Batton
Service-Gsr 515.00
Trading Post, Supplies-Eng... 3.80
U S Postal Service
Renewal-Sdp..... 64.00
Van Diest Supply Company
Supplies-Eng 12,381.12
Vanguard Appraisals Inc
Service-Asr 3,180.00
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc
Service-Cap..... 193.50
Verizon Wireless
Service-Ema 40.01
Wex Bank, Service-Tra ... 2,849.90
Winnebago Coop Telephone Assn
Service-Gsr 3,688.01
Worth County Engineer
Fuel-Con 2,093.08
Worth Lumber Co
Supplies-Eng 18.27
Ziegler Inc, Supplies-Eng .. 454.42
Grand Total 354,751.93

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve the monthly clerk of court report. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve payroll eligibility verification for Brady Bolkema at $59,041.00/year. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to acknowledge the appointment of Brady Bolkema as Deputy, effective June 10, 2024, as submitted by Dan Fank, Sheriff of Worth County, Iowa. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve the Class C Retail Alcohol License for The Stock Tank LLC. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve Resolution #2024-35. Roll call vote – Loberg – Aye; Smeby – Aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in auditor's office).

The 2024 Worth County Primary Election Canvass was conducted at 9:00 A.M.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve Resolution #2024-36. Roll call vote – Loberg – Aye; Smeby – Aye. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in auditor's office).

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to acknowledge the Post-Election Audit Report/Auditor Certification as presented by the auditor. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve the lift station bid of $12,140 by Electric Pump as submitted by PeopleService, Inc. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby, to adjourn at 9:05 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Mark Smeby, Vice-Chairperson

Notice

Public Notice

The Worth County Board of Supervisors will be holding a public hearing on July 1st at 9:15 am at the Worth County Courthouse. The hearing is to accept the engineers preliminary plat for EMS District that includes the townships of Union, Lincoln, and a portion of Danville (Jonquil Ave. east to township line).

You may attend the hearing and express your views, or you may submit your written comments prior to the hearing. Comments should be directed to the Worth County Auditor, 1000 Central Ave, Northwood, IA 50459 or auditor@worthcounty.org (Or whomever you want them directed to).

Legal

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Public Notice

The Worth County Board of Supervisors will be holding a public hearing on July 8th at 9:00 am at the Worth County Courthouse. The hearing is to accept the engineers preliminary plat of the West EMS District for the townships of Silver Lake, Bristol, Fertile and a portion of Danville (Jonquil Ave. west to township line).

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Bible school in Bolan

Bolan hosted its annual Vacation Bible School last week. The week of activities invited kids to dive into a number of fun and activities that helped them learn about the Bible, as well as experiences to teach them about science, play games, enjoy treats and other Bible School fun. Young people in preschool through fifth grade took part, with older kids and a number of adults volunteering their time to help make the week a success.



ACT to close out its 58th season with 'Fiddler on the Roof'

Albert Lea Community Theatre (ACT) will finish its 58th season with "Fiddler on the Roof" at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center on June 20-30.

Set in the little village of Antevka, the story centers on Tevye, a poor milkman, and his five daughters. With the help of a colorful and tight-knit Jewish community, Tevye tries to protect his daughters and instill them with traditional values in the face of changing social mores and the growing anti-Semitism of Czarist Russia. The show features iconic and beloved songs such as "Tradition," "If I Were a Rich Man" and "Matchmaker, Matchmaker."

The play is directed by Gordy Handeland and musical director Diane Heaney. Cast members are Jason Howland (Tevye), Sue Wiersma (Golde), Emma Barclay (Tzeitel), Ava Cunningham (Hodel), Joey Maiden (Chava), Kassady Palomo (Shprintze), Kiara Moen (Bielke), Rebekah Sousa (Yente), Angel Hernandez (Motel), Logan Strom (Perchik), Barry Back (Lazar Wolf), Noah Iverson (Mordcha), Jon Cochran (Rabbi), Connor Hanson (Mendel), Jesse Strouf (Avram), Jackson Bighley (Nachum), Isaac Lowe (Yussel), Lisa Sturtz (Grandma Tzeitel), Melissa Griffith (Fruma-Sarah), Kris Bertelsen (Constable), Garrin Loveland (Fyedka), Cindy Gaudian (Shaindel), Mady Schlaak (Sasha), Rebekah Crissinger (The Fiddler), Rebekah Bertelsen, Deb Fensin, Aimee Fink, Aaron Garcia, Abraham Gonzales, Chloe Griffith, Selah Griffith, Adele Hehr-Rosnow Helleksen, Elizabeth Holcomb, Evalyn Holcomb, Heather Kohler, Erin Lowe, Kristen Malmberg, Emma McColley, Maci Smith, Aubrey Taylor, Ian Taylor and Allan Wichmann

"Fiddler on the Roof" will be performed at the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center in downtown Albert Lea on June 20-23(M), 26-30(M). Shows start at 7:30 p.m., with the two Sunday matinees (M) at 2 p.m.

Tickets are $20 for adults and $15 for students. They may be purchased over the phone by calling 877-730-3144 (service fees apply), online at actonbroadway.com, or at the box office. Tickets are also for sale at the Albert Lea Convention & Visitors Bureau. The ACT website has more information on tickets and box office hours.

Extreme Makeover: Win a free year of college at NIACC

North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) invites adults, ages 23 and up, to apply for an Extreme Makeover: College Edition – a unique makeover that changes lives. NIACC has been providing adult students with this opportunity to return to college at no cost, for more than 17 years.

Extreme Makeover: College Edition is a contest where two deserving winners receive an entire year of free tuition, textbooks and more. Three other finalists will win half-price tuition to NIACC for the 2024-25 academic year.

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"To enter this year's contest, simply fill out the online form and tell us why you need or deserve an educational makeover. If you're at least 23 years old and haven't taken a NIACC credit class in the past three years, you're eligible to apply for Extreme Makeover: College Edition. For contest rules and to enter the Extreme Makeover: College Edition, call 1-888-GO NIACC or visit the website for details: www.niacc.edu/admissions/extreme-makeover."

Entries must be received by July 5.

Northwood Anchor Church

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

Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly
Thursday, Bethlehem Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Saturday, Men's Group Breakfast at Bethlehem, 8 a.m.; Sunday, Grace Worship, 9 a.m., Bethlehem Worship, 10:30 a.m., MS Support Group; Tuesday, WIC at Bethlehem, 9 a.m. - Noon; Wednesday, Assemble Newsletter, 9 a.m., BLC WELCA
Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

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

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan
Invitation to worship in Bolan at Trinity United Methodist Church on Sunday, June 30, 2024, 9:10 a.m. Service followed by special coffee and brunch fellowship. In absence of our Pastor Cory on vacation, Barb DeVries will be providing a "musical message" she's titled "Faith, Memories, and Music." Barb will be married for 50 years next month to retired teacher/coach Rod DeVries, they have one son. They've lived in the communities of Newell, Forest City, and now Nora Springs. She's a retired Activity Coordinator of the Good Samaritan Society after 30 years. She loves to play guitar, garden, decorate, and do things for others.
Pastor Cory Allard

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

Northwood United Methodist Church
Thursday, Northwood Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday, Joint Worship at Northwood Worth County Fair, 9 a.m.; Tuesday, Swallow Coffee House LM, 10 a.m.
Rev. Rob Lanphere

One In Christ Lutheran Parish
Sunday, Worship Services 10:30 a.m. available online at "One in Christ Lutheran Parish" Facebook Page and YouTube under "One in Christ Lutheran Parish." Sunday Worship Services, 9:30 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, Staff Meeting, 11 a.m., Maple Court Chapel, 2 p.m., SH Youth, 7 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Group, 9 a.m., Taekwondo, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Worship at the Worth County Fair, JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, AA-Al-Anon, 7 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Church, Northwood
Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion at 9 a.m., Adult Bible Study and Children's Sunday School following service.
Rev. Barbara M. Wills, Pastor

Sacred Heart Church, Manly
Mass Wednesday, 8 a.m.; Mass Saturday, 5:30 p.m.
Rev. Neil Manternach, Pastor
Fr. Ben Valentine, Associate Pastor
www.sacredheartmanly.org

Faith Lutheran Church, London
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class, 9:30 a.m. (Fall through Spring); Sunday, Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Kent Otterman

How failure makes us stronger



We have the capacity to learn from our mistakes, and thus there is a great advantage in making some big mistakes early in life. Most people have a number of failed relationships before they find the love of their life. Those failed relationships help them to know what they are looking for in a mate. Failures in business may be costly, but they often lead to more profitable and better-run businesses in the future. Even in the realm of health, we see that getting sick often immunizes us against that particular disease in the future and broken bones heal themselves to become stronger than the original. It seems that we live in a universe that thrives on adversity. Stressing a muscle makes it stronger, and the bones attached to that muscle become stronger too. Character works on the same principle. Those who have been profoundly tested are usually the most robust and resilient. People born before the Great Depression and who then lived through it have a lower risk of becoming depressed than people born after the depression. Perhaps the stress and strain that many are living through now will bring out the best in them. Don't seek an easy life for you or your children. If you want them to be robust and resilient, let them experience a loss or failure every now and then. They just might thank you for it someday. – Christopher Simon

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything." – James 1:2-4

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Cook Bookin'

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



by Sandy Olson

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Summer is sandwich time. Picnic baskets, food on the boat, food while watching sports, hikes in the woods, camping and more are all times when food we can hold is preferable to fork-and-knife cuisine. I've read that John Montagu, the 4th Earl of Sandwich, wanted something to eat that he could enjoy at the table while playing cards. He had his cooks put meat between two slices of bread and the rest is history. I'm not sure that's the exact legend but it will do. We can all enjoy a casual meal of sandwiches and accompaniments. "Sandwiches & Salads" is one of the check-out counter series of booklets compiled by Pillsbury kitchens in Minneapolis. It was published in 2010 and has the usual full-color photos in a pull-out card format to file in a recipe box. The following are adapted from the chapter on wraps, a more modern version of the Earl's invention.

Sweet and Spicy Chicken Wraps

1/2 cup real mayonnaise
1/4 cup peeled and seeded chopped cucumber
2 tablespoons honey
1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts
1 tablespoon olive oil
2/3 cup chunky salsa, hot or mild
1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
8 flour tortillas, 10-inch size
4 cup loosely packed fresh baby spinach

In a small bowl, mix the mayo, cucumber and 1 tablespoon of the honey. Cover and refrigerated until later. Cut the chicken into 1/4-inch strips. Heat the oil in a large heavy skillet over medium-high heat. Sauté the chicken, stirring often, until it is no longer pink in the center. Stir in the salsa, the remaining honey and the cayenne. Blend well, reduce the heat to medium-low and cook for about 5 minutes. Stir frequently so the flavors are blended. Warm the tortillas, stacked 4 at a time, in the microwave for 20-30 seconds on HIGH. A damp paper towel over the top of the stack helps keep them moist. Spread each tortilla with 1 tablespoon of the mayonnaise mixture, layer 1/2 cup of spinach on top, and add 1/3 cup of the chicken mixture. Roll up the tortilla and cut diagonally in half.

Pesto Tuna Wrap for One

1 can albacore tuna packed in water (5 oz.)
2 tablespoons real mayonnaise
1 table bottled basil pesto sauce
1 teaspoon lemon juice
1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1 10-inch flour tortilla
2 leaves of lettuce
1 slice provolone cheese, cut in half
5 kalamata olives, halved (stuffed green olives can be substituted)

Gently combine the tuna, mayo, pesto, lemon juice and pepper in a bowl until well mixed. Warm the tortilla for a few seconds in the microwave. Spread the tuna mixture on the tortilla, top with the lettuce, cheese halves and olives. Told the bottom of the tortilla up toward the middle, then tightly roll the tortilla to form a secure package.

Roast Beef and Bacon Wraps

3/4 pound thinly sliced deli roast beef
8 slices good quality bacon, cooked crisply
1 ripe avocado, peeled and sliced
4 small leaves of lettuce
12 thin red onion rings
4 flour tortillas (10-inch size)
1/3 cup real mayonnaise
2 tablespoons prepared creamy horseradish

Combine the mayo and horseradish, mixing well. Warm the tortillas for a few seconds in the microwave. Spread 1/4 of the mayo mixture on the bottom half of each tortilla leaving a 1/2-inch border all around. Divide the roast beef, bacon slices and avocado into fourths and place 1/4 on the bottom half of each tortilla. Top with a lettuce leaf and 3 of the onion rings. Tuck in the sides of the tortilla and roll up from the bottom to enclose the filling. Cut in half to serve.

Wraps only scratch the surface of what is defined as a sandwich. There are grilled sandwiches, burgers, dogs and brats, sloppy Joes and "maid-rites". There are "salad" sandwiches such as tuna, egg or chicken salad plus loads of Paninis which are also considered part of the same genre. They are all delicious and easy to make. Thanks, Earl! And…. that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society







Trees down at Country Club

Last week's weather events brought a period of strong intense wind that brought down a number of trees throughout the area. Greg Parks shared these pictures of a few of several trees that fell at the Northwood Country Club following the windstorm.

Enjoy the buzz – support bees and butterflies by adding friendly plants

If you enjoy eating apples, peaches, blueberries, tomatoes, squash and more, thank a bee. Or, better yet, plant some pollinator friendly native plants in a pot, or flower bed or garden and support the local bees and butterflies.

National Pollinator Week is June 17-23.

"If you live in a neighborhood, look at what your neighbors have and try to build on that," said Stephanie Shepherd, wildlife biologist with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Diversity program. "Look at it on the landscape level. If everyone added just a few pollinator plants, think of the impact that could have on the bee and butterfly community."

Native species are preferred because they are adapted for Iowa's environment and are familiar to the local butterfly and bee community. Adding plants to a section of the yard will be much more beneficial than no-mow May. Planting singles species in groups, and groups of plants near each other will benefit certain types of pollinators that will often focus on one plant type at a time when gathering food. Be sure to include species diversity and blooming diversity so something will be in bloom from April through October.

"Bigger plantings are always better, but simply replanting a wet part of the yard to native plants, or putting natives in the rock garden around your deck can benefit pollinators," she said. "And don't just get stuck in the flower garden! Landscaping with certain kinds of shrubs and trees can really raise the benefits for pollinators. Small steps, when added together, can have a huge impact."



Cherry trees and willows flower really early in the spring – and willows thrive in wetter soils. Basswood is a popular nectar producing option for shady areas.

Information on native plants is available from the Tallgrass Prairie Center at UNI at www.plantiowanatives.com or from the Iowa DNR at https://www.iowadnr.gov/Conservation/Wildlife-Landowner-Assistance and https://www.iowadnr.gov/Conservation/Forestry

Five ways to support the local pollinators

Reduce the amount of lawn that you have! Lawn, even a messy one with weeds, is never going to be as beneficial for pollinators as an area of diverse flowering plants, or better yet, a little wild patch of prairie.

Don't use pesticide, especially insecticide. Or if you do, use it in as targeted a manner as possible. Most insecticides are not formulated to only impact the pest insect eating your plants, but will negatively impact all insects visiting the plant, including pollinators! Some of those insects eating your plants (think caterpillars) will turn into pollinators, so being discerning about what is truly a pest and planning for some damage to your plants is a good strategy.

Flowers, all kinds, everywhere! You want flowers that provide nectar, you want flowers that provide pollen, you want flowers (and grasses) that caterpillars like to munch on, you want flowers that bloom spring, summer and fall. The best way to meet these needs is to plant a lot of different kinds, and not just herbaceous plants. Shrubs and trees can also be valuable food sources! Have mostly shade? That's okay, too! There are many plants that thrive in shade that are also important for many pollinators.

Use mostly native plants. These are hardy (and beautiful) plants that are adapted to our environment and are most familiar to our pollinators.

Where do our pollinators go in winter? Often nowhere! They stay right on your property and in your garden. Bumble bee queens hibernate shallowly underground and many other bees, as well as caterpillars, and fireflies, overwinter in the leaf litter, in tall grass or on the plants themselves – burrowed into the stem perhaps. The best plan is to have an area that you just let be! But if that's not possible, save your cleanup, for at least some areas until things warm up in spring.

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Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Savvy Senior

Can you stop and restart Social Security benefits

Dear Savvy Senior,

Can I stop my Social Security retirement benefits and restart them later to get a bigger payment? I recently got a nice unexpected inheritance, so don't need the money from Social Security right now. If possible, I would like to suspend my benefits and restart them at age 70.

Do-over Dan

Dear Dan,

Yes, there are actually two different strategies that allow Social Security beneficiaries to undo their claiming decision. But to be eligible, there are certain conditions you'll have to meet. Here's what you should know.

Withdrawal Benefits

If you are in your first year of collecting retirement benefits, you can apply to Social Security for a "withdrawal of benefits." Social Security will let you withdraw your original application for retirement benefits, but it must be within 12 months of the date you first claimed your benefits.

If you opt for a withdrawal, Social Security will treat it as if you never applied for benefits in the first place. But there's a catch. You'll have to repay every dollar you've received, including those of any family members who have been collecting benefits on your earnings record, such as a spouse or minor child, along with any money that was withheld from your Social Security payments – for example, to pay your Medicare premiums.

You can only withdraw your application for Social Security benefits once, but you can apply for benefits again later when the monthly amount would be larger.

To withdrawal your benefits, fill out Social Security form SSA-521 (see ssa.gov/forms/ssa-521.pdf) and send the completed form to your local Social Security office.

If you change your mind, you have 60 days from the date Social Security approves your withdrawal to cancel the request.

Suspend Benefits

If, however, you miss the 12-month window, or if repaying your Social Security benefits is not financially feasible, there is another do-over option, but you'll need to be full retirement age or older to be eligible.

Full retirement age is 66 and 6 months for those born in 1957, but it rises in two-month increments every birth year to age 67 for those born in 1960 and later. You can find your full retirement age at SSA.gov/benefits/retirement/planner/ageincrease.html.

At that point, you can "suspend" your Social Security benefit and the good news is you don't have to repay anything. But the bad news is your monthly Social Security benefits stop and so do those of any dependent family members (except a divorced spouse).

During the suspension, you will also accrue delayed retirement credits, which will increase your monthly retirement benefit by two-thirds of 1 percent for each suspended month (or 8 percent for each suspended year) up until age 70.

Suspended benefits would automatically resume at 70, or you could choose to resume Social Security benefits earlier, but you'd only receive delayed retirement credits for the period when benefits were suspended.

You can request a Social Security suspension over the phone (800-722-1213), in writing or in person at your local Social Security office. The suspension would begin the month after you make the request.

Also note that if you're enrolled in Medicare, there's another consequence of withdrawing or suspending your benefits.

Normally, Medicare Part B premiums ($174.70 per month in 2024 for most beneficiaries) are deducted directly from monthly Social Security payments.

If you withdrawal or suspend your benefits and you're enrolled in Medicare Part B, you'll start receiving a quarterly bill from Medicare. You'll have the option of paying electronically or by mail. Or you can sign up for Medicare's Easy Pay, which automatically deducts your premium payments from your savings or checking account each month.

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

Someone robbed me at the gas station.

Oh, no! Do you know who the robber was?

Yes, it was Pump 6.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Deep thoughts occur as I drive past his drive. I had provided fine dining opportunities to multitudes of female mosquitoes, but it was still a good day. I'm sure it'd be in the top 10 days of the week. I headed to town. It would be 8 miles if I turned one way or 24,901 miles if I turned in the opposite direction. It was the first 8 miles in a journey of 237 miles. On that journey, I stopped at a convenience store to get gas and some fruit for lunch. There were roller dogs available. Hot dogs on a roller grill; sausage in a logrolling competition. I read something a few years back saying that Minnesotans eat 197 hot dogs per capita per year while Iowans eat 207 per capita annually. I passed on the roller dogs.

It rained most of the day, but in the early afternoon, the sun peeked out. That was the highlight of the day until I reached my workplace, wishing I'd been wearing a T-shirt reading "Before" on the front and "After" on the back.

I've learned

The good old days were when I had no idea what everyone else in the world was thinking.

I can't remember the last time I said "rhombus."

Cargo pants are important because you never know when you might get a job as a cargo ship.

Life is getting used to doing things you'll later need to get used to not doing.

When I tipped the canoe, I discovered it was cap-sized.

The sign said, "Employees must wash hands," but I washed my own as I couldn't wait for them.

In the news

Man walks into a bar and loses limbo contest.

Mime arrested for doing unspeakable things.

Jeweler charged with making a customer's ear ring.

Local woman gets new car for her husband. She considered it a good trade.

Bad jokes department

He called his horse Mayo. Sometimes Mayo nays.

What looks like half of a Twinkie? The other half.

Is a child who is in pre-K in J?

What word is always spelled backward? Backward.

Be prepared—read a step-by-step guide to falling down the stairs.

Ducks ate my neighbor's dog. I warned him not to get a purebread dog.

Where do you see yourself in five years? In mirrors, in other reflective surfaces and in selfies.

Nature notes

Kathryn Tollefson of New Richland asked why she sees pigeons in the same place near the Le Sueur River Lutheran Church frequently. With humans and other animals, the attraction to a particular place is often food. Maybe there is something to eat there—pigeon chow. Pigeons, like us, are creatures of habit and adhere to traditions. They have better homing instincts than we do, so they can find where they want to be without a GPS. Perhaps they are waiting for an invitation to attend church services.

I watched a couple of turkey vultures make Venn diagrams in the sky and spotted hoofed ruminants that are deer to us. A crow dipped a colorful snack bag in the water of a pond. I don't know what was in it. Crows are notorious for soaking food in water. They're not cleaning it, and it's more than softening the food to make it more palatable. Baby crows rely on their parents to provide food containing enough moisture to prevent dehydration, and moistened food helps.

Serviceberry, also called juneberry, shadbush or Saskatoon berry, is a small tree or shrub native to Minnesota. Ripe fruit can be eaten fresh or used in jams, jellies and pies. Serviceberry is attractive to pollinators, birds and other animals. One story maintains the first settlers in New England planned funeral services at the same time the tree bloomed, a sign the ground had thawed sufficiently to dig graves. The tree became known as the serviceberry. That origin is disputed.

Wild ginger is sometimes called woodland ginger, Canada ginger, snakeroot, colic root, coltsfoot, namepin and sturgeon potato. It has fuzzy, green, heart- or kidney-shaped leaves and below them is a small brown to burgundy, bowl-shaped flower. The color and scent of the blooms attract early spring gnats, flies and beetles. The flowers smell like rotten meat, although the scent isn't noticeable to me.

Meeting adjourned

I flipped a switch and a light came on. I'm most grateful for that and for all the people who made that possible. Be kind.

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Fit to print...

The origins, facts and celebration of Juneteenth

The origins of Juneteenth

Juneteenth was recognized as a federal holiday on June 17, 2021. Even though it is in its infancy on paper, Juneteenth is considered the longest-running African American holiday in history.

The National Museum of African American History and Culture notes that Juneteenth marks a significant date in American history. June 19, 1865, marks the day when the Union Army arrived in Galveston, Texas, under General Gordon Granger, and announced to the locals that all enslaved African Americans were free. While the Emancipation Proclamation went into effect on January 1, 1863, and the Civil War ended in April 1865, it took time before the end of slavery was actually enforced in resistant states like Texas.

Reactions to freedom ranged from utter joy to pure shock. Some former slaves awaited job offers from plantation owners, but others sought new lives elsewhere, primarily in the northern United States. Settling in new areas brought challenges, but individuals rose to those challenges.

The first of what would become an annual "Jubilee Day" celebration took place in Texas in the year following Granger's arrival. Through the years, the day took on the name "Juneteenth" (a shortening of June nineteenth) and featured celebrations with prayer services, barbecues, music and other social activities.

Texas was the first state to make Juneteenth an official holiday, with others following suit in subsequent years. It wasn't until June 2021 that Congress passed a resolution establishing the celebration of Juneteenth as a national holiday. It was signed into law on June 17, 2021, a mere two days before the first official federal commemoration.

Juneteenth remains a celebration of not only freedom, but also family and the joy surrounding release from oppression. According to Juneteenth.com, special foods and beverages are served for Juneteenth celebrations, particularly those not available or consumed on a daily basis and many that are red in color. Celebrants recall their heritage and culture while looking ahead to future opportunities.

19 facts related to Juneteenth

1. On June 19, 1865, roughly 2,000 Union troops arrived in Galveston Bay, Texas to announce to the more than 250,000 enslaved Black people in the state they were free by executive decree.

2. The newly freed people in Texas came to refer to this day as "Juneteenth."

3. While Juneteenth has perhaps become the most notable holiday, many other celebrations commemorate the end of slavery. Many individual states commemorate their own emancipation days.

4. General Gordon Granger arrived with the Union troops to enforce the end of slavery in Texas. Granger commanded the Headquarters District of Texas.

5. On June 19, 1866, freedmen in Texas organized the first annual celebration, which they called "Jubilee Day."

6. Juneteenth celebrations often feature music, prayer services, fun activities, and barbecues. When Black people migrated to other states, they brought their celebratory traditions with them.

7. Texas made Juneteenth an official holiday in 1979. Additional states, and eventually the Federal government, followed the lead throughout the years.

8. The United States Congress passed a resolution establishing Juneteenth as a federal holiday and President Joseph Biden signed the bill on June 17, 2021. The first commemoration occurred two days later.

9. Juneteenth is the first day to obtain legal observance as a federal holiday since Martin Luther King, Jr. Day was designated in 1983.

10. Juneteenth goes by other names, including Emancipation Day, Black Independence Day and Freedom Day.

11. There is an official Juneteenth flag. It features blue over red and a white central star, surrounded by an outer star. The red, white and blue is a nod to the formerly enslaved people being recognized as Americans. The inner star represents Texas, and the outer star symbolizes new freedom and new people.

12. Red foods and beverages are staples of Juneteenth festivities because they are said to represent the bloodshed by ancestors.

13. Juneteenth is the longest-running African American holiday.

14. Part of the General Order No. 3 that freed Texas slaves encouraged the newly emancipated people to remain with their past owners and work for wages. Despite this recommendation, many Black people left the area in a period known as "the scatter."

15. Emancipation Park in Houston was bought by former slaves. The 10-acre parcel was purchased specifically to celebrate Juneteenth.

16. Although Juneteenth celebrations waned during the early twentieth century, they were revived during the Civil Rights Movement.

17. The official title for the federal holiday of Juneteenth is Juneteenth National Independence Day.

18. Each year, a Juneteenth Flag-raising ceremony is held in Galveston.

19. Estimates suggest there were 3,953,760 enslaved people in the United States in 1860, according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.

Northwood Anchor Early Files

100 years ago

June 18, 1924

A declamatory contest was held at the Baptist Church under the auspices of the W.C.T.U. Children from the sixth, seventh and eighth grades took part to a good sized crowd.

Mr. Jay Boltan is one of Northwood's best young men and has made an enviable record in the business world of Minneapolis since leaving his old home town. Cards have been received by relatives and friends in Northwood announcing his marriage to Gladys Jones of Minneapolis on June 4.

H.H. Douglass of Grove Township will be the new manager of the Farmers Co-operative Elevator Company in Northwood after July 1. Mr. Douglass was recently selected at a stockholders meeting. He is a good farmer and knows how to handle their demands and possesses a college education.

J.E. Rustad has been appointed manager of the Northwood sales of the Standard Oil Co. to succeed Mr. Nelson of Lake Mills, who resigned. Mr. Rustad will have charge of the tank wagon sales. Edward Julson is still in charge of the filling station.

The third annual meeting of the Worth County organization of the American Legion was held at Grafton recently and officers for the ensuing year elected were Commander — Earl King, Manly; William Bork, Grafton, vice comm.; S.E. Espeseth, Northwood, adjt. and finance officer; and John Walk, Grafton, chaplain.

The Business Women's club of Albert Lea, Mason City and Northwood held a picnic. One hundred and twelve visiting ladies joined with the local club, made a gay crowd. At about 8 p.m. the picnickers adjourned from Crescent Park to Central Park, where the Northwood Band was giving a concert. They sang the Iowa Corn song with band accompaniment, and vocalized otherwise with parodies introducing the names of Director Dillon and members of the band and demonstrated generally that they were good fellows, as most businesswomen are.

75 years ago

June 16, 1949

Memorial services will be held at the First Lutheran church in Northwood Sunday at 3 p.m. for Pfc. Edgar Allen Fenney, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fenney, who was killed in action on Okinawa, June 28, 1945.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Eikwold of Kensett will leave Sunday for New York and from there will sail for Norway, their native land, where they expect to spend several months.

Mrs. Robert McBride of Iowa City, the former Beth Cornick of Northwood, ranked I the top ten per cent of her graduating class at Coe college, Cedar Rapids.

The Rev. and Mrs. Fred A. Smith left Monday for Cedar Rapids where he will attend the annual conference of the Methodist churches held at St. Paul's church at Cedar Rapids.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at the Conner funeral home for Abraham Torgeson, 88, who died last Thursday after several months of failing health.

Mr. and Mrs. William St. Clair were hosts to the 11 county extension directors and their wives from the north central district here Saturday afternoon and evening.

Carpenter's Ole Perkins handcuffed the Northwood batters with two hits Sunday as Carpenter took first place in the Iowa Borderline league over Northwood 10 to 0, in a game interrupted several times by showers.

The corn borer threat this year appears to be the worst in the history of Worth County.

JoAnn Sharp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Sharp, is attending Hawkeye Girls State at Grinnell this week.

Some $85,000 worth of farm-to-market road construction in Worth County will get underway in Worth County soon, probably within a week or two, County Engineer John Berry announced today. In a contract letting at the office of the Iowa state highway commission at Ames Tuesday, the M.E. Boyette construction company of Kensett was low bidder on three new farm-to-market road projects in the county.

50 years ago

June 20, 1974

A summer rain and hail storm hit the Kensett-Manly area again Tuesday evening, damaging crops and inflicting extensive damage to buildings. The Northwood area was relatively lucky, receiving scattered hail and a half inch of rain. Heavier rain and hail storms surrounded the area, leaving an inch in Mason City, and reported two inches and "golf ball size" hail in Howard County.

Bertrum Bidne, Northwood, was among those who successfully passed the state exam from the Emergency Medical Technician-Ambulance nurse offered in Forest City recently. Of the 40 who started the course in September only 26 graduated.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Lindflott of Kensett will observe their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 30, at Bethany Lutheran Church in Kensett.

Airman Bruce N. Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milford E. Nelson, Northwood, has been assigned to Sheppard AFB, Tex., after completing Air Force basic training. The airman has been assigned to the Technical Training Center at Sheppard for specialized training as a dental specialist. Airman Nelson was graduated from high school in Northwood in 1968 and received a B.A. degree in 1974 at Texas Lutheran College.

Larry Keith Torgerson, Northwood is one of 4,400 graduates at Harvard University's 323rd commencement. The exercises were held in the Tercentenary Theater, Harvard Yard. He received his master's degree in education.

The Viking girls overwhelmed Riceville Monday, 33-9, with Julie Berge and Jane Johnson on the mound. The local team had 33 runs, 18 hits and eight errors. Julie Berge and Wedny Hogen hit grand slams, Carol Hogen hit two triples and Colleen Otis a double. In the B game the Vikings own 16-7 behind the pitching of Nancy Hagen.

25 years ago

June 23, 1999

The three-story, brown brick building that served up reading, writing, arithmetic and a host of other subjects to five generations of Northwood and Kensett children came tumbling down last week. Shortly after 7 a.m. last Wednesday morning a giant yellow backhoe owned by Metro Wrecking, Inc., of Des Moines tore into the southwest corner of the building, which as known in successive eras as Northwood High School, Northwood-Kensett High School, N-K West Middle School and N-K West Elementary School.

Green Shamrock 4-H Club members Ashley Dierenfeld and Kristin Schipull wiped down a photo display easel in the Worth County 4-H exhibit building at the fairgrounds here last Thursday. They're part of a 30-member crew of 4-H youngsters who've been helping the fair board and the county Extension Service spiff up the fairgrounds in preparation for the 121st annual Worth County Fair, which opens for its five-day run today.

Amy L Belville of Northwood received a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences in Des Moines, Iowa. The degree was awarded June 4 during the University's commencement ceremonies for 346 graduates of the medical and health science programs.

Air Force Airman Brandon L. Hill graduated from basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits towards an associate degree through the Community College of Air Force. Hill is the son of Darla D. Smidt of 29 Second St. N., Humboldt, Iowa, and grandson of Sylvia J. Peterson of Hanlontown.

Jim Hanson, the elder, lined up a put as his brother Greg, son Jake and nephew Mitch pondered his odds during Town and Country Day last Thursday at the Northwood Country Club.

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June 18, 2014

In the midst of the Northwood Public Library's story hour last Friday, a precocious primate paid a special visit. While they were preparing for the morning's activities, Curious George made this way into the library to spend time with the children at the library. He played with the kids before reading a book with them. George paid a visit courtesy of KSMQ Public Television in Austin, Minnesota.

When it comes to a person's life, there are few people that have a greater impact than those that have a hand in helping them learn, inspiring them to want to learn and showing them how to learn. Four such individuals, who have affected the lives of thousands of Northwood-Kensett students, retired at the end of this school year. Retiring from the district, as of the end of the 2013-2014 school year, were teachers Deb Dakken, Linda Myhre and Sharon Schaub and counselor Russ Knudson, with a combined 119 years at N-K.

Evan Fritz was awarded a $1,000 Steve and Sue Wolken 4-H Scholarship at Iowa State University this April. Majoring in Kinesiology and Health at ISU, Fritz was utilized the communications skills he acquired through 4-H in various leadership positions, including general co-chair for ISU Homecoming and collegiate facilitator for the National 4-H Conference.

N-K's Zach Costello is making the most of his final year in a Viking uniform. The talented senior picked up the team's only win last week when he went five innings for the 15-14 win over North Iowa. Costello was also at the top of his game at the plate, going 7-19, a .368 batting average for the week.

With pitchers in short supply this season the Lady Vikings went to senior Chandler Capitani against Lake Mills. Capitani, who was sidelined during track season because of troubles with her hips, started on the mound for the first time in over two years, allowing just five fits in 6 2/3 innings of work.

Northwood Anchor Obituaries

Russell Mitchell

Russell W. Mitchell, 71, of Guyton, Georgia, passed away on June 1, 2024. He passed away peacefully with his family by his side.

Born March 16, 1953, in Mason City, Iowa, the son of Charles and Phyllis Mitchell, he grew up with his loving family and enjoyed his small-town life.

After graduating from Northwood-Kensett High School in 1972, Russell joined the Army and proudly served his country for over 23 years. He retired a second time from HLC Hotels where he began his career in maintenance and retired as a General Manager.



RUSSELL MITCHELL

He loved his Atlanta Braves, the Minnesota Vikings and always said Go Army Beat Navy! He loved to travel with his wife, but his favorite trips were to Iowa to spend time with his family.

He leaves behind his loving wife of 41 years, Linda; daughters, Ann (Del) Mundle, Sherry (Joel) Hughes, Susan (Tim) Powers, Miranda Mitchell and Malynda Mitchell; grandsons, Troy, Warren and Grayson; granddaughter, Mia; his sisters, Barb Berge, Emilie Willand and Ann Hafner; and brothers, Jerry Mitchell, David Mitchell and Donald Mitchell.

He is proceeded in death by his parents, Charles and Phyllis Mitchell; brother-in-law, Gary Luther; youngest brother, Jon Mitchell; and his bonus son, Gene Walker.*

Celebrate June Dairy Month at educational open houses



Iowans can learn more about the dairy industry and experience modern dairy farming methods as the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach dairy team celebrates National Dairy Month in June.

Two dairy open houses are planned, beginning on June 12 with Roorda Dairy #2 in Granville; and Iowa's Dairy Center on June 22 in Calmar. (The Iowa State Dairy Farm open house in Ames has been canceled this year due to storm damage, but will return in 2025).

"These educational open houses provide everyone a chance at gaining a real-life experience of the dairy industry," said Jenn Bentley, a dairy specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach. "Each venue has a unique twist, but conveys the same dairy message to people of all ages and backgrounds."

Dairy is the fifth largest agricultural business in Iowa, generating $5.6 billion a year in economic activity from farming to dairy processing, supplying 22,000 jobs with a labor income of $891 million. The annual economic impact of a single dairy cow is more than $25,400 per cow.

June Dairy Month was first established in 1937 as National Milk Month, with the aim of encouraging milk consumption. However, this observance has since been transformed into National Dairy Month. Initially dairy month was created to address the surplus of dairy production and stabilize demand; it has evolved into an annual tradition commemorating the dairy industry's invaluable contributions to society.

The Western Iowa Dairy Alliance will hold an open house June 12 at the Roorda Dairy #2 in Granville from 4-8 p.m. Attendees have the opportunity to tour the farm, learn about modern dairy practices, and engage with experts to gain insights into dairy production, sustainability efforts and the importance of dairy in the local economy.

The event also features a free meal, educational exhibits, family-friendly activities and opportunities to enjoy dairy products, fostering greater appreciation and understanding of the dairy industry's vital role in the region.

On June 22, Iowans can enjoy Breakfast on the Farm, from 8 a.m. to noon at Iowa's Dairy Center in northeast Iowa, south of Calmar.

Organizers will serve a wholesome breakfast complete with Dad's Belgian Waffles, sausage and dairy products including milk, cheese, yogurt and ice cream – all locally produced and processed. Visitors can take a guided tram tour of the farm and there will be activities for all ages, including hand-milking a cow, a petting zoo, corn story time with a local dairy princess, cow inflatables and educational exhibits.

Event Details:

June 12, Western Iowa Dairy Alliance, at Roorda Dairy #2, at 4253 Oriole Ave., Granville.

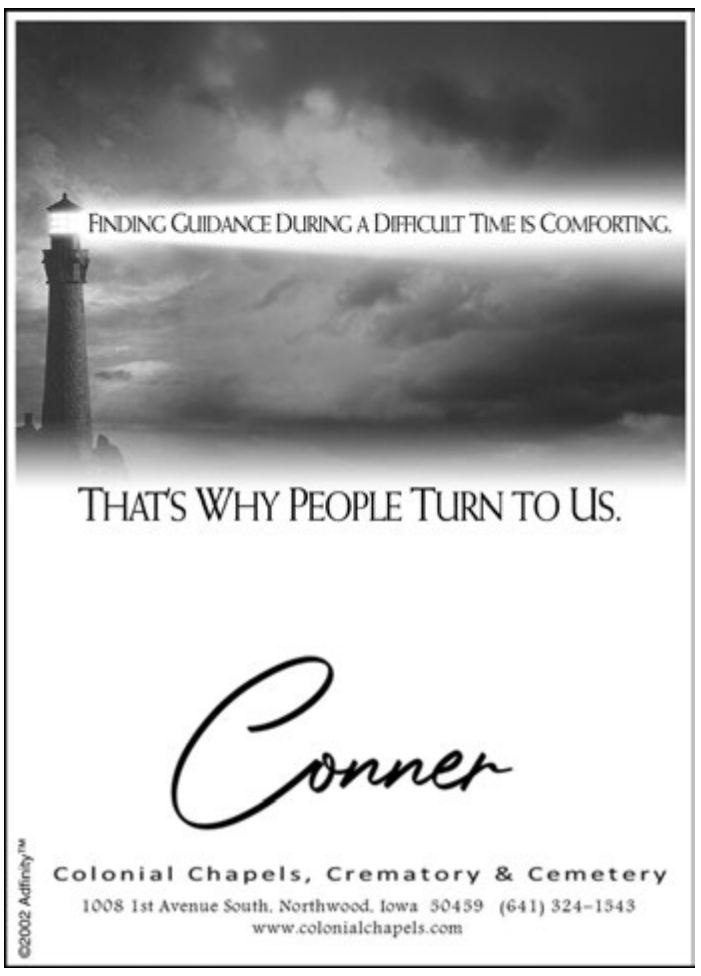
June 22, Breakfast on the Farm, at Iowa's Dairy Center, 8 a.m. until noon, at 1527 Highway 150 S., Calmar. Breakfast on the Farm will be held rain or shine. Parking is available on site.

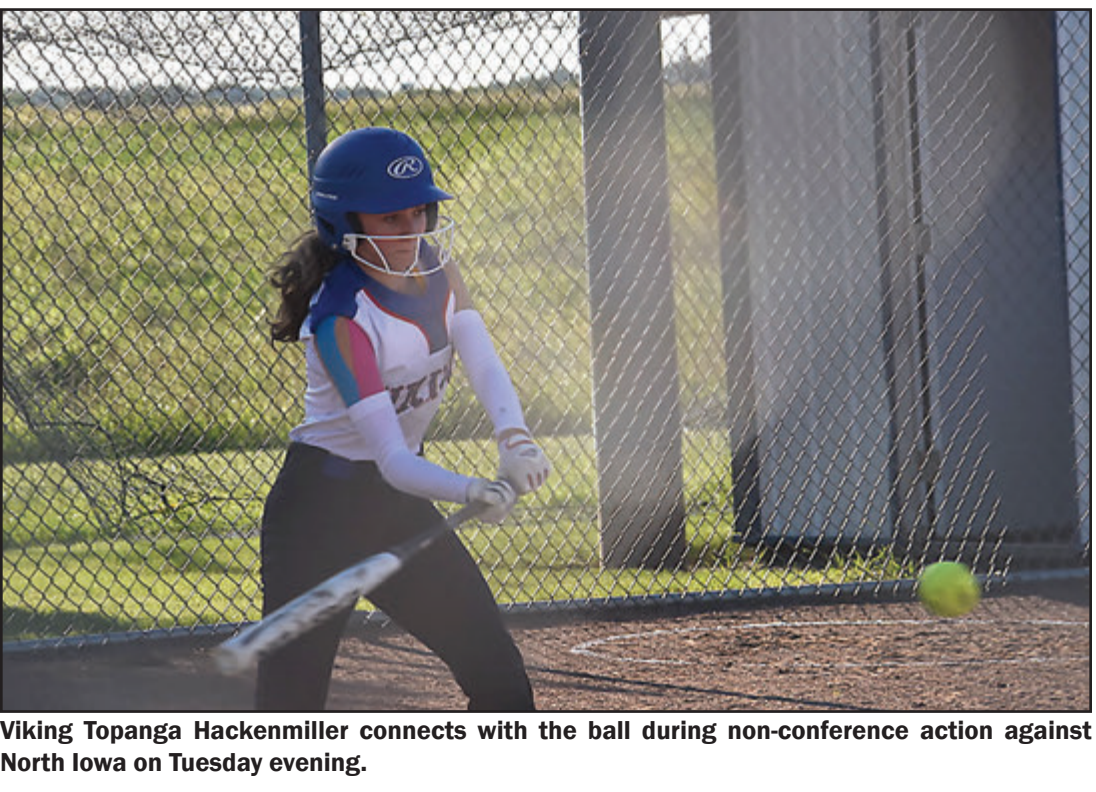
More information is available by contacting Gail Carpenter, state dairy extension specialist, at ajcarpen@iastate.edu

Extension field specialists are also available. In northwest Iowa, contact Fred Hall at 712-737-4230 or fredhall@iastate.edu

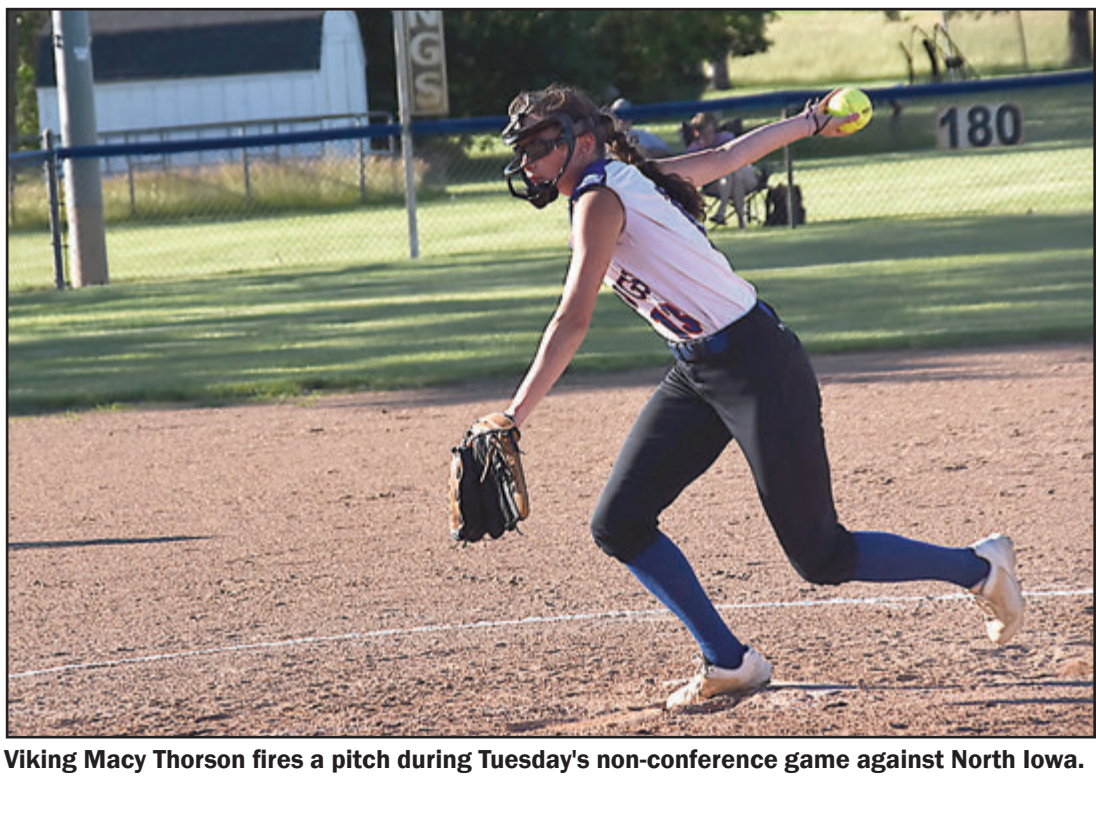
In northeast Iowa, Jenn Bentley is available at 563-382-2949 or jbentley@iastate.edu. Larry Tranel is available at tranel@iastate.edu or 583-6496.

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Viking Topanga Hackenmiller connects with the ball during non-conference action against North Iowa on Tuesday evening.



Viking Macy Thorson fires a pitch during Tuesday's non-conference game against North Iowa.

Viking girls 2-10 overall

By Julie Salisbury

The young Northwood-Kensett Vikings softball team struggled last week with losses to North Butler and North Iowa. They were scheduled to host Nashua-Plainfield on Wednesday, June 12, and travel to West Hancock on Saturday, June 15. See next week's edition for those results.

On Monday, June 10, the Vikings traveled to take on North Butler in a Top of Iowa Conference game and fell 13-3. The Bearcats scored one in the first and second innings, seven in the fourth, one in the fifth and three in the sixth while the Vikings plated one in the fourth and two in the sixth.

Bailey Thorson led the team with a triple and one RBI. Topanga and True Hackenmiller each had a single and Lexi McHenry had a single. Hadley Buenzow had a single and two RBIs and Lauren Heiken had a single.

The Vikings scored three runs on six hits and earned two RBIs. They were walked three times, hit by the pitcher once and struck out eight times.

Thorson pitched three innings allowing eight runs on three hits while walking seven and striking out seven. Heiken pitched 2.2 innings allowing five runs on six hits while walking two and striking out three.

On Tuesday, June 11, the Vikings hosted North Iowa in a non-conference game and lost 16-0. The Bison scored six in the first, one in the second and nine in the sixth.

Tr. Hackenmiller and Logan Manning each had a single.

The Vikings had two hits, walked two times and struck out eight times.

B. Thorson pitched three innings, allowing seven runs on three hits while walking five and striking out four and Macy Thorson pitched three innings, allowing nine runs on five hits while walking five, hitting one batter and striking out four.

The Vikings are currently 2-10 overall and 1-7 in the TIC.

Last week's stats:

On Friday, June 7, the Vikings traveled to Osage for a TIC game and lost 11-0. The Green Devils scored two in the first and nine in the fourth.

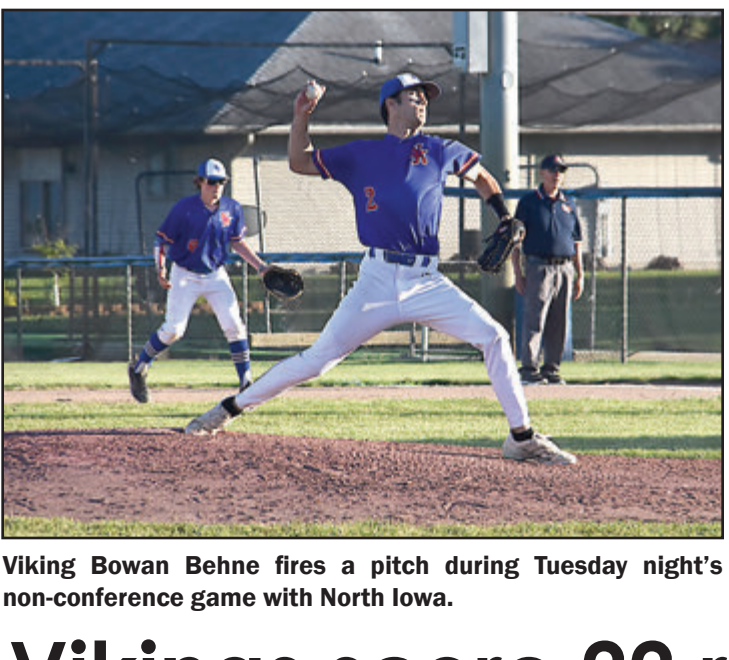
Kelsi Liddle had a single and Topanga and True Hackenmiller each recorded a single.

The Vikings had three hits, walked one time and struck out nine times.

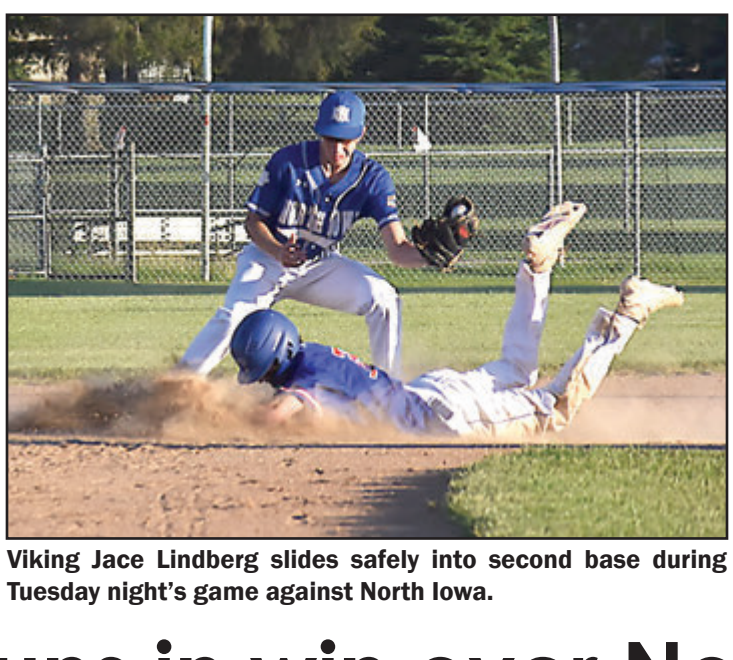
B. Thorson went the distance in the circle allowing 11 runs on eight hits, she walked three, hit one batter and struck out three.



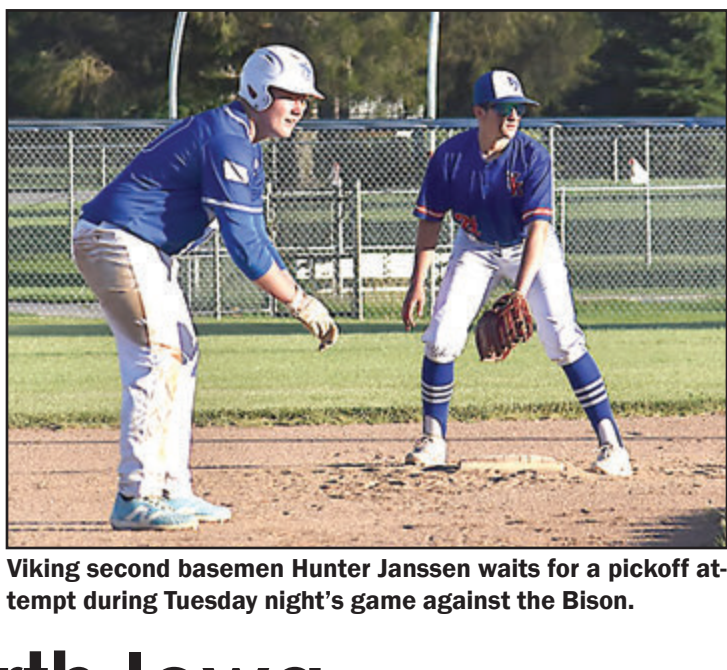
Viking Logan Manning gets a lead off of second base during Tuesday night's game in Northwood.



Viking Bowan Behne fires a pitch during Tuesday night's non-conference game with North Iowa.



Viking Jace Lindberg slides safely into second base during Tuesday night's game against North Iowa.



Viking second basemen Hunter Janssen waits for a pickoff attempt during Tuesday night's game against the Bison.

Vikings score 22 runs in win over North Iowa

By Julie Salisbury

The Northwood-Kensett baseball team started week four of their season by traveling to North Butler for a Top of Iowa Conference game on Monday, June 10, and fell by a score of 10-0. The Bearcats scored three in the first, one in the fourth and six in the fifth.

Leaders at the plate for the Vikings included Evan Lorenzen, Aydan Schutz and Brady Christiansen. All three had a single and Bowen Behne stole base twice.

The Vikings scored no runs on three hits, walked one time and struck out 11 times.

Lorenzen pitched one inning, allowing three runs on two hits, he walked four and struck out three. Schutz pitched 3.2 innings, allowing three runs on three hits while hitting one batter and striking out four. Caysen Chodur pitched a portion of an inning, allowing four runs on four hits.

On Tuesday, June 11, the Vikings hosted North Iowa in a non-conference game and won 22-5. The Bison scored one run in the second and two in the third and fifth innings while the Vikings plated four in the first inning, five in the second and 13 in the third.

Chodur led the team in hits with three singles and four RBIs and Lorenzen had two singles, two stolen bases and led the team in RBIs with five. Hunter Janssen had two singles, one RBI and one stolen base and Behne had two singles, two RBIs and three stolen bases. Noah Woltzen had a double and one RBI and Aden Bice had a single and three RBIs. Jace Lindberg had a single and five stolen bases, Schutz had two singles, two RBIs and two stolen bases and Christiansen had a single and one RBI.

The Vikings scored 22 runs on 15 hits and they had 19 RBIs. They were walked eight times, hit by the pitcher three times and struck out four times.

Behne pitched all four innings allowing five runs on four hits while walking three and striking out seven.

The Vikings were scheduled to host Nashua-Plainfield on Wednesday, June 12, and travel to Sheffield on Friday, June 14, for TIC games, see next week's edition for those results.

The Vikings are currently 5-8 overall and 2-6 in the TIC based on information available.

Last week's stats.

On Friday, June 7, the Vikings traveled to Osage for a TIC game with the Green Devils and lost 5-0. Osage scored two in the fourth, two in the fifth and one in the sixth.

Behne led the team with two singles and one stolen base and Janssen and Woltzen each had a single.

The Vikings scored no runs on four hits while being walked twice and struck out 10 times.

Bice pitched 5.2 innings allowing five runs on eight hits while walking four, hitting four batters and striking out one. Chodur pitched a portion of an inning allowing no runs on one hit.

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