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The Stars and Stripes
With the Fourth of July on the way, the lawns and sidewalks of the Worth County Courthouse have once again been lined with the American flag. Voluneers place and remove the flags each year.

Fourth of July fun begins tonight

This weekend, people in Worth County will celebrate Independence Day. That will include several days of activities hosted in Northwood.

With rainy weather on the way, the fireworks have been rescheduled and will be held tonight, Wednesday, July 3, at 10 p.m.

The Fourth festivities begin on the morning of the Fourth of July, as Waking Miss Winifred hosts a pancake breakfast at Central Park, starting at 7:30 a.m.

The streets of Northwood will be lined with spectators for the annual Fourth of July parade, which begins at 11 a.m., with floats, vehicles, walkers and more traveling through town.

After the parade, the Fourth of July festivities moves to the Worth County Fairgrounds.

Food will be available from Signatures, the Hot Beef Sundae crew, Mini Donuts of Northwood and Shaka Shaved Ice.

Face painting, a bounce house and Half Pint the Clown will be there to entertainment young ones.

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Fireworks rules in effect in Worth

With the Fourth of July events on the way, many in Worth County may be planning a fireworks display as a part of their celebration. Part of that should include the rules in place in each community in the county.

State law, which applies outside of incorporated areas in the county, says that the sales and setting off of fireworks can take place from June 1 through July 8, from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. On the Saturdays and Sundays before the Fourth, and on the Fourth of July, fireworks may be set off until 11 p.m.

Those buying fireworks must be at least 18 years old.

Fireworks can only be set off on personal property or someone else's with their permission. Fireworks are not allowed on public, state, county or city property or parks.

If a burn ban is in place, fireworks are not allowed, regardless of the holiday.

There are different rules for those that want to set off fireworks in Worth County cities.

In Fertile, Grafton, Hanlontown and Joice, those that want to use fireworks have to get a permit

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Public health chair, director resign

Worth County Public Health's director and the chair of the public health board resigned last week. This follows a budget dispute that led county supervisors to require a reduction in the WCPH budget.

In recent weeks a dispute arose over the purchase of a vehicle by WCPH. A vehicle was purchased in December 2023. At the time, the motion for the purchase was done with the understanding that public health representatives would work with the county auditor to confirm the purchase.

After communication with the auditor's office, WCPH officials believed the purchase had been authorized.

At a May meeting of the Worth County supervisors, the purchase was revisited. The supervisors discussed a budget amendment, which included accounting for the purchase.

Supervisor Mark Smeby also sits on the public health board and approved the vehicle's purchase in

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Supervisors discuss comp board, utility rates

The Worth County supervisors recently discussed if they would maintain a board to help set elected raises each year, as well as confusion slowing the process of raising interchange water and sewer rates.

A change in state law that recently went into effect has given Iowa supervisors options when it comes to how elected official salaries are set.

Previously, each elected official in a county, including the auditor, treasurer, sheriff, attorney, recorder and supervisors would appoint someone to sit on a compensation board.

That board meets

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TUNE hosts Firecracker 5K run/walk on July 6

Again, this year TUNE is hosting the Firecracker 5K run/walk on Saturday, July 6. Registration will be at The Timbers at 8:30 a.m. with the run/walk starting at 9 a.m. The fee for the Firecracker 5K run/walk will be $25. Participants will receive a T-shirt, fruit and water.

"Contact TUNE through Facebook Messenger to pre-register and let us know the shirt size."

This year the 5K run/walk's profits will be dedicated to the Northwood Theatre to offset the cost of our new heating and AC unit. TUNE and the Worth County Fence Stretchers are also co-sponsoring the beer garden on Friday, July 5, and Saturday, July 6, starting at 5:30 p.m. and going until 11:30 p.m.

Proceeds from these two activities will go toward community betterment projects of Northwood.

Fireworks rescheduled for July 3

With rainy weather expected the evening of July 4, the Northwood Chamber of Commerce and fireworks organizers have decided to hold the fireworks one day earlier.

The fireworks will be held at the airport tonight, Wednesday, July 3, at 10 p.m.

The Week's WEATHER
From National Weather Service information

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. June 25	90	63	
Wed. June 26	89	66	0.01
Thurs. June 27	83	59	
Fri. June 28	78	60	1.32
Sat. June 29	73	62	0.20
Sun. June 30	74	51	
Mon. July 1	75	52	

'4 Days of July 4th Fun' begins at Art Farm Iowa tomorrow

Art Farm Iowa will host a variety of arts and entertainment to compliment the Fourth of July weekend events in Northwood, with 4 Days of July 4th Fun.

Art Farm Iowa, located at 4953 Olive Avenue, will host art, live music, food and vendors, July 4-July 7.

The activities begin tomorrow, Thursday, July 4, after the events at the fairgrounds and before the fireworks, from 3-10 p.m.

The evening entertainment includes a poetry reading and bullwhip painting by Ken Boe, an Arizona painter and poet, at 5 p.m.

Live music will begin at 7 p.m., with a performance by Elisha Marin.

Art Farm Iowa will open on Friday, July 5, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Boe will share his poetry and painting again, at noon and 3 p.m.

Live music on July 5 will be shared by Marty Garrett, from 4-6:30 p.m.

Art Farm Iowa will be open on Saturday, July 6, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Boe will again share poetry and painting at noon and 3 p.m.

That evening's entertainment will come from Neal Simmons, from 4-6:30 p.m.

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Pictured is the newest audition to Art Farm Iowa, which can be seen during the 4 Days of 4th Fun events. Pictured is artist Lucretia Torva, with her mural "Fields of Time," based on Grant Wood's painting "FallPlowing."

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River levels on the rise

With heavy rains in the third week of June, river levels continued to rise last week. For Swensrud Park and the Shell Rock River that meant that much of the park was underwater last week. That meant youth baseball and softball games were relocated to Northwood-Kensett High School fields. The weekly Makers Market was held at the Timbers. The June 27 Nights in Northwood event was held at the fairgrounds. With a break in the rainy weather, river levels have fallen since. More rains were in the forecast for this week, but not the downpours that left the park underwater.

Celebrate the Fourth of July responsibly

From the Iowa Department of Public Safety:

As Iowans celebrate Independence Day, the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau (GTSB) reminds all drivers, No One's a Good DRUNK Driver. In 2022, a person was killed every 39 minutes in a drunk-driving crash on our nation's roads. July 3 through July 7, law enforcement across the state will be on high alert for signs of drunk driving and taking necessary steps to remove these dangers from the road.

Every year, the Fourth of July stands out as one of the deadliest times on Iowa roads. Over the past five years (2019-2023), there have been 32 traffic fatalities during the holiday, with 50% of those being alcohol related.

"If you sense any level of buzz, it is your duty to stay away from the driver's seat. For some people, even one drink is too many to drive safely," says GTSB Bureau Chief Brett Tjepkes. "Unfortunately, many drivers don't realize how impaired they are or feel they're still good to drive after consuming alcohol. That's why GTSB launched a new campaign this year to remind Iowans, No One's a Good DRUNK Driver."

Lots of planning goes into Fourth of July festivities, plan for a sober driver. When a friend has been drinking and is considering driving, be proactive — take away the keys, find a safe ride home, or offer a couch.

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

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towards the end of the calendar year. They use information on area elected salaries, comparisons to similar positions and other information. They then make recommendations to the county supervisors.

As it has operated in the past, the supervisors could approve elected officials' salary increases up to the compensation board's recommended amounts. They could go lower, but no higher.

A change this year opened up the supervisors to go without the compensation board recommendations and set the salaries based on their own considerations and decisions.

The supervisors discussed how to proceed at their meeting on June 24.

Supervisor Enos Loberg said that he felt that he could research and set the salaries on his own.

Loberg noted that in the past four years, the supervisors had set salaries lower than the compensation board's recommendations three times. He also noted that while the board had approved the compensation recommendations this year, they had done so with one supervisor, Mark Smeby, voting against.

That said, Loberg commented that he did like having other people's advice and giving each elected official a say in the process.

Loberg said that he could basically go either way about the use of the compensation board process.

Smeby said that he was of a similar opinion to Loberg.

Supervisor AJ Stone said that he had spoken to other county supervisors and they were keeping the compensation board process, and the recommendations they receive.

It was said that the County could stop using the compensation board and then reverse that decision at any time. Smeby did note that replacing the board could be a challenge.

Mentioned was the impact of legislation designed to limit property tax increases at the local level.

The supervisors also noted that there has been talk that local salary increases could be capped at 3% in the future.

The supervisors suggested that to maintain county services with the potential limit on property tax revenue, and with a State-set salary cap, county officials may be looking at years in the near future, where no salary increases will be in the budget.

Despite the foreboding financial forecast, the supervisors ultimately decided to continue with the compensation board process in place.

Stone also provided an update on the process to increase utility rates for businesses at the casino interchange.

The rates have not been adjusted for several years. That has left the County's wastewater system running at a loss for two years.

The County has hired an engineering firm to study where rates should be based on the cost of operating the system and how much each business uses.

The firm has also been reaching out to the businesses at the interchange to discuss rate increases.

Stone said that the rates are being based off of three years of usage, as of the end of June 2024.

Some changes in property ownership and some historic property ownership rules have made the process more challenging.

Stone said that the Diamond Jo Casino has purchased its attached hotel, meaning that changes the percentage of overall usage that the casino will cover.

The casino also pays for the usage of the Top of Iowa Welcome Center, as property there has changed hands over the years.

The Welcome Center originally was owned and operated by the Iowa DOT. It was then transferred to the County.

Part of the Welcome Center property includes a lagoon. When it was first building in 2006, the casino reached an agreement to use the lagoon for some of its wastewater needs. The County sold the lagoon for $1 and the agreement that the casino would pay for the related utilities of the welcome center.

As it expanded and developed its own wastewater systems, and connected to the County's newer systems, the casino gave the lagoon area back to the County.

However, the casino has continued to cover the welcome center's percentage of water and wastewater usage changes.

Stone said that there has been some confusion with all the paperwork and agreements in place as portions of the welcome center property have changed hands in the past 26 years.

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A Fourth of July pedal pull will be held in the shelter house starting at 1 p.m. Those that would like to register can do so starting at 12:30 p.m.

The Northwood Lions Club will pluck the winning ducks in their annual aquatic raffle, starting at 1:30 p.m.

At 2 p.m. in the shelter house, the young people earning the titles of Little, Junior and Miss and Mr. Northwood will be crowned. Members of the community will also be recognized for their service as outstanding citizens.

A horse shoe tournament will be held at 3 p.m. in Swensrud Park.

This Friday, July 5, a pool party for kids in grades K-12 will be held at the Northwood pool at 5 p.m. It will include music, games and food.

The beverage garden on Central Avenue will be open from 6 p.m. to midnight, including a beer pong tournament.

Food on Friday night will include Tono's Tacos and pizza from Strike Zone, along with food from downtown restaurants.

Starting at 8:30 p.m. in the beverage garden, IV Play will perform.

A pancake breakfast will be served to start the day on Saturday, from 6-9 a.m. at the VFW in Northwood.

TUNE will host its Firecracker 5K Run/Walk at 9 a.m. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Timbers, and will include a T-shirt, treat and water with the registration fee. Proceeds will benefit the operation of the Northwood Theatre.

The N-KCEF will host its annual golf tournament at 11 a.m. at the Northwood Country Club. Registration opens at 10:30 a.m.

A bags tournament starts at noon in Swensrud Park. Those taking part will need to bring a partner and their own bags.

The beverage garden opens again on July 6 from 6 p.m. to midnight, with food from the food truck and local restaurants.

The evening entertainment will be the band Not Quite Brothers, starting at 8:30 p.m.

On Sunday, July 7, the Timbers event center will host bingo, with doors opening at 12:15 p.m. and games beginning at 1 p.m.

Wednesday, July 3

10 p.m.- Fireworks at the Airport

Thursday, July 4

7:30 a.m.- Waking Miss Winifred Pancake Breakfast at Central Park

11 a.m.- Parade

After Parade at the Fairgrounds – food and entertainment

1 p.m.- Pedal Pull in shelter House at Fairgrounds (Registration at 12;30 p.m.)

1:30 p.m.- Lions Club Duck Pluck at Fairgrounds

2 p.m.- Royalty & Citizen Awards in the Shelter House at Fairgrounds

3 p.m.- Horseshoe Tournament in Swensrud Park

3 - 10 p.m.- Art Farm Iowa events (www.artfarmiowa.com for details)

Friday, July 5

10 a.m. - 7 p.m.- Art Farm Iowa events

5 - 7 p.m.- Pool Party! K-12, Music, Games & Food

6 - midnight- Beverage Garden Opens on Central Ave. with food from vendors and at local restaurants

6 p.m.- Beer Pong Tournament in Beverage Garden

8:30 - 11:30 p.m.- "IV Play" in the Beverage Garden

Saturday, July 6

6 - 9 a.m.- VFW Pancake Breakfast

9 a.m.- Start Time for 5K Run/Walk (registration at 8:30 p.m.

10 a.m. - 7 p.m.- Art Farm Iowa events

10:30 a.m.- Registration of NKCEF Annual Golf Tournament at Northwood Country Club

11 a.m.- NKCEF Annual Golf Tournament at Northwood Country Club (registration at 10:30 a.m.)

Noon- Bags Tourney - Swensrud Park

6 p.m. - Midnight- Beverage Garden Opens Central Ave. with food options

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m. - "Not Quite Brothers" in the Beverage Garden

Sunday, July 7

10 a.m. - 7 p.m.- Art Farm Iowa events

1 p.m.- Firecracker Bingo at the Timbers, doors open at 12:15 p.m.



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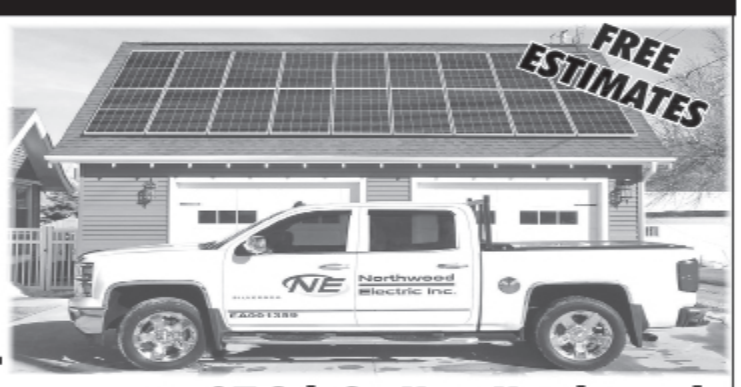
for all dates.

In Kensett, fireworks can only be set off on July 3 and July 4, in addition to the New Year holiday. They are only allowed from 10 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. the next day.

In Manly, fireworks can only be used use on July 3-4, from 12:01 to 10 p.m. each day.

In Northwood, fireworks are only allowed on July 3 and July 4 from 6-11 p.m.

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New laws in effect this week

Earlier this week, a number of new laws and changes to other rules and regulations went into effect in Iowa.

July 1 is the date that many legislative actions go into effect across the state, including:

Amongst those are portions of the legislation that drew the majority of attention during this year's legislative session, changes to Area Education Agency funding, along with teacher salaries.

Part of the focus was a shift in special education funding. Funds had gone to AEAs to administer programs.

Starting this week, a new division of the Iowa Department of Education was formed to provide administration and oversight of special education funding and programs in the department and at AEAs.

Funds that went to the AEAs will remain in place for special education dollars.

This fiscal year, 40% of funds for media and education services will go directly to school districts. Districts can try to find other vendors or work with AEAs as available for those services.

Education legislation will also raise salaries for some teachers this year.

The minimum teacher salary increased to $47,500 as of Monday. It will increase to $50,000 on July 1, 2025.

The salary for teachers that have been working at least 12 years increased to $60,000 for this year and $62,000 next July 1.

Other law changes include:

New lower limits of THC levels in products like gummies or drinks. Those products can only be sold to those 21 and older.

Limits on the use of traffic cameras. Local governments have to get Iowa DOT permission and provide a reason why they are needed. The governments must also place signs in advance. Cameras can only be used to issue tickets if the vehicle is traveling 10 mph over the speed limit. Cities with populations of 20,000 or less can only issue warnings based on cameras. A standard fine structure was also set for camera use statewide.

Changes were made to driver's permits for teens, to coincide with a law passed last year that allowed teenagers to work more hours and later in the day. The changes are for all jobs, not just farming work. Teens as young as 14 1/2 can drive up to 25 miles to their job, gas station and home between the hours of 5 a.m. and 10 p.m. The teens are not allowed to drive as a part of their job.

Foreign farm landowners have new requirements for information they are required to provide. If they do not there are new steeper penalties in place and additional authority for the State to get that information.

Insurance companies in the state are now required to cover additional breast cancer screening methods.

Also created were several new crimes, which are in effect.

That includes making it illegal to use technology to place someone's image into pornography. If done with a child's image, it would be considered sexual exploitation of a child.

The crime of "grooming" was also created, which refers to luring minors to perform sex acts, either in person, or by written or electronic communication.

A crime that has become known as swatting, which refers to false reports, has higher penalties. This has become a larger issue as technology creates new ways to make those reports.

The crime of looting was created to prosecute groups of people that enter homes, businesses or vehicles to take or damage people's property.

Additional crosswalk user protections were created. New protections were added for those not on foot, including people in wheelchairs, strollers or on scooters, skateboards, bikes, etc.

It is also now a law that lab-grown and plant-based meat and egg alternatives have to be labeled as meatless or imitation in the state. The law also requires the state to seek a waiver from the federal government that would prevent Iowa users of federal nutrition programs from using those funds for egg alternatives.



Making the cut at Art Farm Iowa

Last week the Northwood Chamber of Commerce officially welcomed Art Farm Iowa to the community. Art Farm Iowa is the blending of agriculture and art. The working farm features several buildings where art is displayed and created. Pictured above cutting the ribbon are father and son founders Merle and Steve Hanson, surrounded by chamber business owners, city officials and Iowa State University Extension interns working on Art Farm Iowa projects.

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Art Farm Iowa will also be open on Sunday, July 7, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Boe will share poetry and painting at 12 and 3 p.m.

More information on Art Farm Iowa, and the 4 Days of July 4th Fun events can be found online at artfarmiowa.com.



Worth County Fair 2024 royalty

The first day of the Worth County Fair once again included the crowning of the Worth County Fair royalty. This year, six talented young women competed to earn the crown. Adessa Newhoff was named Worth County Fair Queen. Chosen as Worth County Fair Princess was Madison Edwards. Miss Congeniality was Kenley Meyer. The trio of fair royalty could be seen, usually side by side, at events throughout the fair, providing support for event organizers. Those taking part in the Worth County Fair Queen contest included (from left) Kamryn Backhaus, Jessi Ausborn, Kenley Meyer, Adessa Newhoff, Madison Edwards and Khloe Kruger.

Governor issues proclamation for counties impacted by flooding

Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds has issued a proclamation for 28 counties, including Worth, in response to widespread flooding in Iowa.

The governor's proclamation allows for the additional targeted suspension of specific regulatory requirements in affected counties to effectively respond to and recover from this event.

• Suspend the regulatory provisions of licensed professionals who are acting on a temporary basis to aid disaster victims or provide emergency services for the following professions: architecture, engineering or land surveying, social work, psychology, marital and family therapy, and mental health counseling.

• Suspend the regulatory provisions and administrative rules promulgated thereunder, requiring a current, active Iowa license to practice architecture and engineering to the extent that the individuals practicing architecture and engineering hereunder meet educational, experience, and training requirements to obtain an Iowa license and are acting on a temporary basis to aid disaster victims or provide emergency services.

• Suspend the regulatory provisions requiring state electrical inspection fees be due and payable at or before commencement of the installation and requiring minimum fees when a state inspection is requested by a property owner to the extent said inspections are performed in response to and in aid of residential disaster victims.

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December, with the requirement that they contact the county auditor to secure the funds. At the May budget amendment discussion, Smeby objected to the WCPH budget adjustment, saying that the public health board had not secured the revenue to offset the expense.

Public health board chair Dennis Bartz was at the supervisors meeting and said that public health officials had bought the vehicle with the permission of Smeby and the auditor's office.

Auditor Jacki Backhaus said that she had not approved the purchase without public health finding the money to offset the cost.

Regardless of the misunderstanding, Smeby said that the public health board still needed to offset the cost. He motioned and the supervisors approved the amended budget, but required the public health board to cut $25,000 from the budget for the current fiscal year that began on July 1.

At a public health board meeting on June 14, the board members, including Smeby and Bartz, along with public health director Jessica Reyerson, discussed the situation, with frustration shared by Bartz and Smeby during the discussion.

They also discussed the need to find ways to either make cuts or raise revenue sometime in the new fiscal year to offset the $25,000. Mentioned were looking at sharing opportunities or increased fees, as well as cuts to existing services, amongst other options.

At the time the board planned to continue the discussion at future meetings.

Last week both public health board chair Dennis Bartz and director Jessica Reyerson resigned their positions.

The public health board had a meeting on Monday morning. On the agenda was the appointment of an interim director.

Public health board member Kathy Meyer led the meeting, as she is the board's vice chair. Nurse Raegen Reyerson was appointed as the WCPH interim director.

Members of the board of health are appointed by the Worth County supervisors, who will choose a new board member to fill Bartz's position on the board. Bartz' term on the board would have expired at the end of 2025.

In other business at the July 1 meeting, public health employees were invited to give their input on how to offset the $25,000 budget adjustment. See more on this discussion in next week's Anchor.

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U of I students receive degrees after 2024 spring semester

In May more than 6,500 University of Iowa undergraduate, graduate, and professional students received their degrees. These Hawkeyes have engaged, excelled, and stretched to reach their goals.

Local students include:

• Peyton Pangburn of Northwood, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Major: International Relations; Degree: Bachelor of Arts.

• Braxton Pinske of Manly, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Major: Spanish; Degree: Bachelor of Arts.

• Paije Sletten of Northwood, College of Nursing; Major: Nursing-RN; Degree: Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

NIACC announces 2024-25 Performing Arts and Leadership season

North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) announces the launch of its 2024-2025 Performing Arts and Leadership Series. The season's unveiling event will take place on Thursday, June 27, at 7 p.m. in the North Iowa Community Auditorium, located on the NIACC campus. This free event is open to the public and promises an exciting preview of the diverse and dynamic lineup of performances and speakers scheduled for the upcoming season.

NIACC's Performing Arts and Leadership Series has a long-standing tradition of bringing world-class entertainment and inspiring speakers to North Iowa, and the 2024-2025 season promises to be no exception. This year's Series will feature a variety of performances, including Broadway shows, renowned musical acts, thought-provoking speakers, and much more.

Lindsay Dalrymple, Director of the NIACC Performing Arts & Leadership Series, expressed her enthusiasm for the upcoming season, stating, "We are incredibly excited to share this season's lineup with our community. Each year, we strive to offer a Series that not only entertains but also inspires and engages our audiences. This season, we've curated a collection of events that we believe will resonate with a wide range of interests and bring people together through the power of the arts."

Following the season announcement, season tickets will be available for purchase that night with an additional 5-percent discount, offering patrons the best seats at the best prices for the entire Series. Individual tickets will go on sale starting on Wednesday, August 7, at 9 a.m. The season announcement event will provide attendees with a first look at the shows and a chance to secure tickets for what is sure to be a memorable season of performances and events.

Conveniently located just off the interstate, the North Iowa Community Auditorium is easily accessible and offers ample free parking, making it an ideal destination!











Reptiles visit the library

Last Friday afternoon, the Northwood Library played host to a number of unique visitors. Jamie Pastika, director of the Reptile and Amphinbian Discovery Zoo, paid a visit to the library with several animals along for the ride. Pastika showed the library visitors animals that included a salamander, a tortoise, a milk snake, a boa constrictor and an alligator. He taught them about each animal and what makes them unique.

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2017 Chevy Impala LT, 111k	$15,900
2017 Chevy Malibu Premier, 82k	$14,900
2016 Ram 3500 Dually 4x4, 6.7L, 251k	$25,900
2014 Chevy Impala LT Leather, 52k	$16,900
2014 Dodge Caravan Wheelchair, 90k	$20,900
2014 Chrysler Town & Country, 95k	$13,900
2014 Honda CRV LX AWD, 132k	$13,900
2014 Honda Encore AWD, 63k	$12,900
2013 Chevy Impala, 116k	$7,995
2012 Chrysler Town & Country Touring, 130k	$8,995
2011 Buick Lucerne CX, 63k	$10,900
2010 Honda Element EX 4x4, 159k	$9,995
2010 Toyota Avalon XL, 87k	$11,900
2009 Honda Ridgeline, 156k	$10,900
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2009 Ford F150 4x4, 132k	$5,500
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Fixing a water issue in the parking lot

Following one of the recent bouts of rainfall, water started coming up in a spot in the post office parking lot. The Northwood public works crew spent some time breaking through the pavement to address the issue. The spot pictured above is what was left behind as the water issues were investigated.

Bolan

Trinity United Methodist Church service had guests Barb & Rod DeVries from Nora Springs in attendance Sunday Barb shared a musical message in the absence of Pastor Cory. A special brunch was held afterwards in honor of the couple's upcoming 50th wedding anniversary.

Supervisors

June 24, 2024
Twenty-sixth Day

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

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

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to amend & approve todays agenda to add the 99 County Annual Bible Reading on the courthouse grounds. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to approve minutes from the June 17, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve the professional services agreement between Worth County and WHKS & Co. – Fertile 65 Bridge Structure Replacement. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to approve drainage claims in the amount of $151.26 per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Northwood Anchor
DD #3 Main
Publication
$151.26

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve claims in the amount of $206,310.71 per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Access Systems Leasing
Service-Dap 98.50
Agvantage Fs Inc
Fuel-Eng 17,046.55
Albert Lea Seed House Inc
Supplies-Eng 813.50
Alliant Energy
Service-Gsr 5,418.85
Ashley Davis, Election-Aud 235.94
Barbara Smith
Election-Aud 242.64
Barry Anonson
Election-Aud 214.50
Belinda Borchardt
Election-Aud 238.52
Bmc Aggregates Llc
Rock-Eng 1,498.59
Brightree Home Health & Hospice Llc, Service-Phd 3,080.91
Bryn Pangburn
Election-Aud 233.06
Carolyn Nedved
Election-Aud 217.18
Carquest Auto Parts Inc
Supplies-Shf 397.90
Centurylink, Service-Eng .. 171.30
Cintas Corporation
Supplies-Eng 352.13
City Of Fertile, Rutf-Eng 1,643.81
City Of Grafton, Rutf-Eng . 979.51
City Of Hanlontown
Rutf-Eng 426.93
City Of Joice, Rutf-Eng ... 1,090.80
City Of Kensett, Rutf-Eng . 544.38
Connie Moretz
Election-Aud 238.62
Connie Rosenberg
Election-Aud 238.86
Cynthia Sorenson
Election-Aud 243.98
D & L Equipment
Service-Con 334.60
Debra Roff, Election-Aud ... 221.67
Electronic Services System
Edu-Rec 100.00
Falkstone Llc, Rock-Eng . 1,319.09
Fallgatter's Market Inc
Supplies-Sdp 53.96
Fastenal Company
Parts-Eng 783.71
Floyd County Sheriff
Service-Juj 50.25
Freeborn County Coop Oil
Fuel-Eng 2,889.00
Gail Read, Election-Aud 291.46
Galls, Llc, Supplies-Shf 389.20
Grafton Welding
Service-Eng & Con 480.00
Hovey's Lawn & Garden
Service-Con 3,750.00
Hutchinson Salt Company, Inc.
Rock-Eng 4,190.81
Ia Dept Of Public Safety
Service-Shf 1,813.50
Ia Dept Of Transportation
Supplies-Eng 99.00
Ip Pathways
Service-Dap 1,660.50
Isac, Edu-Asr 500.00
J Robert Hopson Inc
Service-Ndp 900.00
Janelle Johnson
Election-Aud 65.00
Jay Heims, Reimb-Asr 326.51
Jeff Greve, Reimb-Aty 1,703.14
Jerry Hopperstad
Meeting-Asr 100.00
Jessica Reyerson
Reimb-Phd 50.00
Jill M Ehrhardt
Election-Aud 221.00
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf 181.47
John Deere Financial
Supplies 810.27
Julie Tweeten
Election-Aud 257.80
Karen Abrahams
Election-Aud 70.00
Kathryn Brodersen
Election-Aud 235.94
Kelly Grunhovd
Election-Aud 221.00
Kelly Hardware
Supplies-Sdp 6.99
Kelsey Cook
Election-Aud 255.27
Kimberly Bode
Reimb-Eng 78.48
Knudtson Automotive Service
Service-Shf 3,061.50
Lana Anderson
Election-Aud 221.00
Lawson Products Inc
Supplies-Eng 370.12
Lea Mobile Glass Inc
Service-Eng 90.00
Linda Fulton
Election-Aud 242.64
Lois Low, Election-Aud 217.18
Lori L. Willert
Election-Aud 240.53
Manly Cemetery Assn. Payable To The City Of Manly
Service-Vaf 1,038.00
Manly Junction Signal
Service-Sup & Aud 969.16
Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Dap 320.62
Marilyn Holt
Election-Aud 113.24
Mediacom, Service-Gsr 294.90
Medline Industries Inc.
Supplies-Phd 1,284.42
Melinda Holden
Election-Aud 245.74
Mercyone North Iowa Occupational Health, Service-Shf 398.00
Metal Culverts Inc
Supplies-Eng 29,797.74
Mid-West Roofing Company/Custom Sheetmetal Works
Service-Gsr 328.20
Mike Romig, Meeting-Asr .. 130.82
Nassco Inc., Supplies-Gsr .. 394.51
Nexus Cooperative
Supplies-Con 79.13
Niacog, Service-Tra 2,090.61
North Central Mechanical Services, Service-Cap 30,560.00
Northwood Anchor Inc
Service-Sup & Aud 1,689.00
Northwood Sanitation Llc
Service-Eng 160.00
Penny Miller
Election-Aud 260.48
Peopleservice Inc
Service-Wat & Wwt 21,900.36
Pinnacle Quality Insight
Service-Phd 183.22
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc
Service-Gsr 53.50
Quick Supply Co
Supplies-Eng 3,900.00
Ranae Steene
Election-Aud 225.69
Rebecca Martinson
Election-Aud 238.62
Rognes Bros Excavating Inc
Service-Eng 18,160.85
Ronald D. Miller
Election-Aud 251.77
Rosemary Fredericks
Election-Aud 221.67
Sandra Trainer
Election-Aud 259.44
Scott Madsen
Meeting-Asr 113.40
Shi International Corp
Service-Dap 3,539.90
State Hygienic Laboratory
Service-San 360.50
Sue Hartwig
Election-Aud 231.05
Sue Trebil
Election-Aud 232.59
Thrifty White Pharmacy
Supplies-Shf 26.48
Tracy Marshall
Reimb-Rec 696.64
Trading Post
Supplies-Eng 1,661.93
U S Postal Service
Postage-Rec 408.00
Unitypoint Health At Work - Waterloo Region
Service-Eng & Con 711.50
Virginia Lovik
Election-Aud 222.54
Visa, Service-Phd 8,523.43
Waste Management Of Iowa Inc
Service-Sdp 2,650.00
Worth County Engineer
Fuel-Shf 5,066.88
Worth County Sheriff
Service-Juj 127.42
Ziegler Inc
Parts-Eng 1,669.21
Grand Total 206,310.71

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to approve leaving the Worth County Compensation Board as is following the passage of SF 2442 that authorizes boards of supervisors in each county to determine whether they want to utilize a compensation board or take on the duties and responsibilities themselves. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby to approve the gear box quote for the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of $9,312 by Buresh Building Systems as submitted by Taylor Hillman, PeopleService, Inc. ARP Funds will be utilized to pay for the repair. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Loberg to approve the request from Sharyl Ferley to use the courthouse grounds for Bible Reading from June 28 – July 4, 2024. Motion carried.

Motion Loberg/Second Smeby, to adjourn at 9:39 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Aaron Stone, Chairperson

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
CASE NO. ESPR009416
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
ALICE E. JOHNSTON,
Deceased
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Alice E. Johnston, Deceased, who died on or about May 26, 2024.

You are hereby notified that on the June 14, 2024, the Last Will and Testament of Alice E. Johnston, deceased, bearing date of March 27, 2020, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that John H. Greve was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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

Dated June 19, 2024.

John H. Greve
736 Central Avenue
P.O. Box 167
Northwood, IA 50459
Executor of Estate

John H. Greve
736 Central Avenue
P.O. Box 167
Northwood, IA 50459
Attorney for Executor

Date of second publication the 3rd day of July 2024.

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Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
RICHARD GLEN DELP,
Deceased
CASE NO. ESPR009417
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Richard Glen Delp, Deceased, who died on or about April 25, 2024.

You are hereby notified that on the June 17, 2024, the Last Will and Testament of Richard Glen Delp, deceased, bearing date of July 2, 1991, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Barry A. Delp was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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

Dated June 14, 2024.

Barry A. Delp
1204 Royal Oaks Drive
Davenport, IA 52806
Executor of Estate

Douglas A. Krull
ICIS#: 000008531
Krull Law Office
714 Central Avenue
P.O. Box 200
Northwood, IA 50459
Attorney for Executor

Date of second publication the 3rd day of July 2024.

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Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR Worth COUNTY
EQUITY NO. EQCV012933
ORIGINAL NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
Spouse of Manuel J. Chavez; State of Iowa; United States of America-Internal Revenue Service; All known and unknown claimants and all persons known or unknown claiming any right, title or interest and all of their heirs, spouses, assigns, grantees, legatees, devisees and all beneficiaries of each and all of the above-named defendants, including but not limited to all creditors, heirs, spouses, assigns, grantees, legatees, and devisees of Manuel J. Chavez; and Parties in Possession,
Defendants.

To the above-named Defendants: All known and unknown claimants and all persons known or unknown claiming any right, title or interest and all of their heirs, spouses, assigns, grantees, legatees, devisees and all beneficiaries of each and all of the above-named defendants, including but not limited to all creditors, heirs, spouses, assigns, grantees, legatees, and devisees of Manuel J. Chavez

You are notified there was on 4/24/2024 filed in the Office of the Clerk of the above-named Court a Foreclosure Petition, which prays for foreclosure of a mortgage in favor of the Plaintiff on the property described herein and judgment in rem in the amount of $30,308.30 plus interest at the rate of 4.5% per annum from 8/1/2021, such amount equaling $3.74 per day, the costs of the action including title costs of $235.00, and reasonable attorney fees and that said sums be declared a lien upon the following-described premises from 5/5/2017, located in Worth County, Iowa, to-wit:

Lot 9 in Block 2 of the Original Plat of the Original Town of Grafton, Worth County, Iowa

that the mortgage on the above-described real estate be foreclosed, that a special execution issue for the sale of as much of the mortgaged premises as is necessary to satisfy the judgment and for other relief as the Court may deem just and equitable. The attorney for the Plaintiff is David M. Erickson, whose address is The Davis Brown Tower, 215 10th Street, Suite 1300, Des Moines, Iowa 50309-3993, Phone: (515) 288-2500, Facsimile: (515) 243-0654.

NOTICE

THE PLAINTIFF HAS ELECTED FORECLOSURE WITHOUT REDEMPTION. THIS MEANS THAT THE SALE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY WILL OCCUR PROMPTLY AFTER ENTRY OF JUDGMENT UNLESS YOU FILE WITH THE COURT A WRITTEN DEMAND TO DELAY THE SALE. IF YOU FILE A WRITTEN DEMAND, THE SALE WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL THREE MONTHS FROM ENTRY OF JUDGMENT. YOU WILL HAVE NO RIGHT OF REDEMPTION AFTER THE SALE. THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE WILL BE ENTITLED TO IMMEDIATE POSSESSION OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY. YOU MAY PURCHASE AT THE SALE.

You must serve a motion or answer on or before the 30th day of July, 2024, and within a reasonable time thereafter, file your motion or answer, in the Iowa District Court for Worth County, Iowa. You are notified that Worth County District Court utilizes the Electronic Document Management System. You are directed to the Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16 for general rules and information on electronic filing and, in particular, Division VI regarding the protection of personal information in court filings. If you do not, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator at 641-421-0990. Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (18007352942.) Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.

IMPORTANT

YOU ARE ADVISED TO SEEK LEGAL ADVICE AT ONCE TO PROTECT YOUR INTERESTS.

Date of Third Publication is the 10th day of July, 2024.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET
Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

City of: KENSETT

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Budget at: Kensett City Hall Meeting Date: 7/18/2024 Meeting Time: 07:00 PM
At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of , any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the City Clerk and County Auditor.
City budgets are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult https://dom.iowa.gov/local-budget-appeals.

The Budget Estimate Summary of proposed receipts and expenditures is shown below. Copies of the the detailed proposed Budget may be obtained or viewed at the offices of the Mayor, City Clerk, and at the Library.

The estimated Total tax levy rate per $1000 valuation on regular property 11.37875

The estimated tax levy rate per $1000 valuation on Agricultural land is 0

At the public hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget.

Phone Number (641) 845-2388

City Clerk/Finance Officer's NAME Krystal Thompson

		Budget FY 2025	Re-estimated FY 2024	Actual FY 2023
Revenues & Other Financing Sources				
Taxes Levied on Property	1	78,358	78,358	85,319
Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Net Current Property Taxes	3	78,358	78,358	85,319
Delinquent Property Taxes	4	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	0	0	0
Other City Taxes	6	36,636	32,963	35,568
Licenses & Permits	7	695	695	85
Use of Money and Property	8	41,390	37,041	11,183
Intergovernmental	9	31,965	31,293	48,249
Charges for Fees & Service	10	24,878	25,633	95,389
Special Assessments	11	0	0	3,338
Miscellaneous	12	0	0	94,275
Other Financing Sources	13	0	0	0
Transfers In	14	0	0	46,045
Total Revenues and Other Sources	15	213,922	205,983	419,451
Expenditures & Other Financing Uses				
Public Safety	16	12,574	12,574	15,272
Public Works	17	61,272	58,971	52,738
Health and Social Services	18	0	0	0
Culture and Recreation	19	77,413	72,025	48,855
Community and Economic Development	20	0	0	0
General Government	21	86,973	85,413	136,646
Debt Service	22	0	0	0
Capital Projects	23	0	0	0
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	238,232	228,983	253,511
Business Type / Enterprises	25	0	0	58,245
Total ALL Expenditures	26	238,232	228,983	311,756
Transfers Out	27	0	0	46,045
Total ALL Expenditures/Transfers Out	28	238,232	228,983	357,801
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	-24,310	-23,000	61,650
Beginning Fund Balance July 1	30	324,056	347,056	285,406
Ending Fund Balance June 30	31	299,746	324,056	347,056

City of Kensett

The Kensett City Council met in special session 6/24/24 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor C. Pulju presiding. Council Members present were Bratrud, Kauffman and Dakin. Absent: Woltzen and Douglas. Mayor opened Public Hearing for 2024-2025 Max Tax Levy Resolution #675, there being no public input, Mayor closed public hearing. Motion to approve said Resolution by Bratrud, 2nd by Dakin, Roll Call Vote taken, all ayes, carried unanimously. Motion to adjourn by Dakin, 2nd by Bratrud, carried unanimously.

Krystal Thompson, City Clerk
Corey Pulju, Mayor

City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on June 24, 2024 at 6:00 pm with Mayor Moehle presiding and the following council members present:

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

Motion to approve the agenda. Unam.

Motion to approve the following under Consent Agenda: Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2024; Approve 5 day Liquor License – The Nordic 4th on Central Ave (July 5-9) Unam.

The Council heard public comments on neighborhood yard conditions, lack of mowing, non-registered vehicles, and opening burning concerns.

The Council had an inquiry if the city would sell the lot located at 208 15th St. S. for an accessory building. Council will discuss at the next meeting.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2406-13 Transfer Funds from 28E Casino to Taxi Fund. Unam.

Motion to approve selling the 2004 Ford F450 to the highest offer from Glenn Kiel for $6,100.00. Unam

Motion to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

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Hanlontown veterans, service member recognized with Quilts of Valor



As the city of Hanlontown celebrated 125 years and its annual Sundown Day, five area veterans and one active servicemen were recognized for their service to their country as they were draped in Quilts of Valor.

Dianne Weide, representing the North Central Iowa Quilts of Valor group, introduced the history of the program and its mission to recognize and honor the service of members of the community.

The Quilts of Valor program began in 2003, when founder Catherine Roberts' son was stationed in Iraq. According to the story, shared by Wiede, Roberts had a dream of a man hunched over in despair. She next saw him wrapped in a quilt, and his demeanor changed completely. For Roberts, that showed that quilts equal healing.

And so an effort started with members of the community using their talents to create quilts, given to veterans to honor their service.

Amongst those working to carry on that mission are Weide and other members of the North Central Iowa Quilts of Valor group, who prepared the quilts given to the veterans in Hanlontown.

The North Central Iowa group meets regularly and also works on the quilts from home, each taking on tasks based on their particular talents. Once completed, each quilt receives a label that includes the names of the quilters that contributed.

Honored for their service were veterans Joseph Fellin, Richard Fellin, David Fulton, Steve Furness and Robert Michaelis and active servicemen Matthew Pentico.

Joseph Fellin, Richard Fellin, David Fulton and Steve Furness served in the United States Army.

Robert Michaelis served in the United States Navy.

Matthew Pentico has served in the Iowa Army National Guard since 2004 and remains actively involved with the 334 Brigade Support Battalion based out of Waterloo.



STEVE FURNESS



MATTHEW PENTICO



ROBERT MICHAELIS



RICHARD FELLIN



DAVID FULTON



JOSEPH FELLIN

Avoid scams following disasters

A recorded call promises a government grant, flood insurance or help with applications for assistance. Don't respond or provide personal information or payment to these callers. They may be scammers trying to get your credit card or checking account information, according to Carol Ehlers, human sciences specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

Recognizing the tricks that scammers use can help you spot scams more easily.

Be alert and ask questions, Ehlers said. For example:

Can I see your identification and contractor's license?

Can you provide three recent recommendations from the area?

How long have you been in business?

If the person trying to sell you a product or service can't or won't answer your questions, or if the paperwork doesn't match the promises made to you, these are warning signs.

Con artists may pose as government employees, insurance adjusters, law enforcement officials, bank employees or whoever it takes to get to your money. Scammers can easily fake titles and uniforms, Ehlers said.

Always ask for identification and call the organization the person claims to work for to confirm that the person does work there.

Never give personal information to anyone you don't know.

Remember that government employees will not generally ask you for payment or financial information such as your bank account number.

Don't make a decision under pressure

After a disaster, contractors and others may arrive at your door offering to help with home repair, debris removal and other disaster-related assistance. Beware of contractors going door-to-door and people offering unsolicited opportunities or high-pressure tactics to force you to make a snap decision.

If Iowans are suspicious of a storm-chaser scam or price gouging, they should contact the Iowa Attorney General's Office at 888-777-4590 or file a complaint online.

After major disasters, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has a Current Disasters page that lists recent disaster declarations and includes a tool you can use to search by location. Read more information from FEMA about spotting and reporting fraud.

According to Ehlers, ISU Extension and Outreach provides access to information and educational resources to help Iowans recover from the current floods affecting northwest Iowa. AnswerLine, 800-262-3804, provides information and resources for Iowans with home and family questions. The toll-free hotline is available Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. Language interpretation is available. Dial 711 for TTY/TDD.

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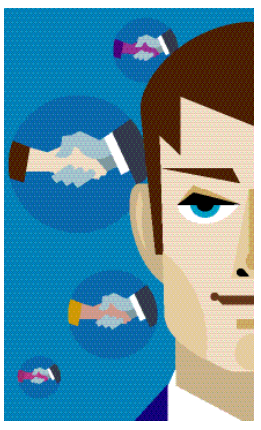
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Cook Bookin'

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Bulwer Lytton, Edward Robert



by Sandy Olson

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

I LOVE cream cheese! I think it should be considered one of the major food groups since it can be used in almost everything: soups, salads, veggie dishes, main dishes, desserts and snacks. What's left? And, I especially love Philadelphia® cream cheese. Philly is smoother, creamier and richer tasting than any other I have tried. Less expensive versions of cream cheese just don't measure up. All that being said, "Cooking With Pheeling" (2011, Kraft Foods, Northfield, Illinois) is absolutely filled with ways to use this magic ingredient. The book also has a Sam's Club logo on the cover so apparently it was a special edition. Three recipe sources are mentioned: Philadelphia Classics, Real Women of Philadelphia (an online group) and Philadelphia Cooking Crème. I'm not sure the last product is still available in today's grocery markets. The following are adapted from this large, paper-bound collection.

Warm Reuben Spread

4 oz. Philly cream cheese, softened
1/2 cup thousand island dressing
1/4 pound sliced deli corned beef, chopped, about 1 cup
3/4 cup well-drained sauerkraut
8 oz. Swiss cheese, chopped or shredded

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Mix the cream cheese and dressing in a medium bowl until well combined. Stir in the remaining ingredients. Spread on the bottom of a 9-inch pie pan or shallow oven-safe plate or bowl. Bake for 20 minutes or until heated through. Serve warm with cocktail rye bread slices OR crackers.

Philly Stuffed Mushrooms

1 1/2 pounds large white button mushrooms. NOTE: look for them in a store where you can pick out your own from a bin rather than those that are already packaged. This way you can choose the nice large ones for stuffing.
2 packages, 8 oz. each, Philly cream cheese, softened
1 package dry Italian dressing mix
1/4 cup real mayonnaise, not M'whip or "salad dressing"
2 tablespoons fresh minced onion
1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
1 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1 package dry stuffing mix NOTE: the recipe doesn't say what size package so I would say about 8 oz.
3 tablespoons real butter, melted

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Clean the mushrooms and remove the stems; set aside. Mix cream cheese, dressing mix, mayo, onion, parsley, Parmesan and cayenne together, blending well. Set aside. Put the stuffing mix in a separate bowl. Stuff the mushroom caps with the cream cheese mixture. Press the cream cheese side of each mushroom into the stuffing mix until well coated. Place the mushrooms, cheese side up, in a baking pan and drizzle each one with a bit of the melted butter. Bake for 30 minutes and serve hot.

Creamy Chicken, Bacon and Tomato Pasta

3 cups bow-tie pasta, uncooked
1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into bite-size pieces
3 slices good quality, thick sliced bacon, cooked and crumbled
1 can (14.5 oz.) Italian-style diced tomatoes, undrained
4 oz. Philly cream cheese, cubed while it's still cold
1/2 cup water
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
3 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese (green can is okay!)

Cook the pasta as directed on the package, al dente. While it is cooking, in a large heavy skillet, sauté the chicken in 1 tablespoon of olive oil until done, about 6 minutes, stirring to cook evenly. Add the remaining ingredients except for the Parmesan cheese. Mix well and cook for about 3 minutes to allow the cheese to melt. Stir frequently to avoid sticking and to blend the ingredients. Drain the pasta and place in a large bowl. Add the chicken mixture and stir gently to coat. Sprinkle with the Parmesan and serve. NOTE: to avoid the past overcooking while you are doing the chicken, cook it first, drain and keep it covered to stay warm. Overcooked pasta isn't good!

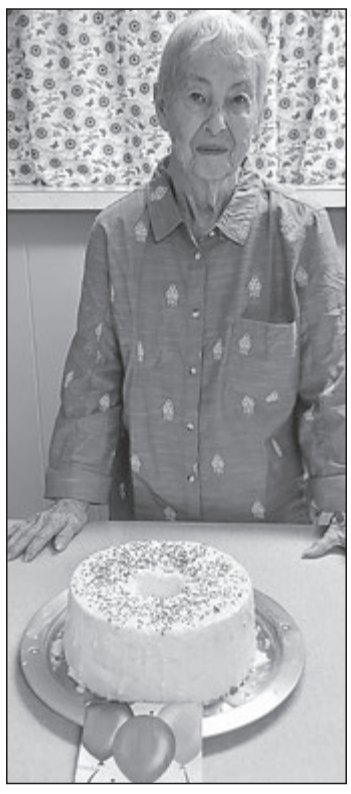
When you cook with "pheeling" using this book it's easy to see why cream cheese should always be in everyone's fridge. Even if someone just wants a cream cheese and jelly sandwich, you'll be prepared. And….that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society



The Pines has curb appeal

Throughout the summer homes throughout Northwood are being recognized for their efforts to give their homes curb appeal. The latest home with curb appeal is the Northwood Pines Assisted Living. Pictured above are (from left) Rachel Tweeten, Elaine Orman, Gene Nelson and Laverne Walheim, who are just some of those that live and work at the Pines, and enjoy the flowers and landscaping.



JUNE ERDMANN

Bolan UMC celebrates Erdmann

The Bolan Trinity United Methodist Church family held a special surprise celebration for June Erdmann, who is the oldest member of the Church, after worship services on Sunday, June 23.

She turned 90 on June 19. Congratulations June!





The magic at the library

Jeff Quinn, the Best Library Magician, paid a visit to the Northwood Public Library on June 18. Quinn wowed his audience with magic and also had some help from some young assistants as he performed.

Northwood Public Library

By Emily Tufte
Library Director

Happy July! We are over halfway done with our Summer Reading Program and it has been a blast! Thanks again to all our donators, we can't do this without you!

On Friday this week we are hosting Rick Brammer's Absolute Science again, this year they are bringing Bubble Stations! Come join us Friday morning at 10 a.m. at the basketball courts and you can try out different bubble solutions and wands, fun for kids and adults alike! You can also check out our other events on the calendar on our website, find it at https://www.youseemore.com/NILC/Northwood/calendar.asp.

The library has two different book clubs that participate in a monthly reading and discussion. If this is anything that sounds interesting to you, don't hesitate to reach out at the library for more information!

Coming to the library this month:

Adult Fiction books: "Bad River" by Marc Cameron, "Breaking the Dark" by Lisa Jewell, "The Burning" by Linda Castillo, "A Death in Cornwall" by Daniel Silva, "Hard to Kill" by James Patterson, "The Lost Story" by Meg Shaffer, "The Summer Pact" by Emily Giffin, and lots more.

Large Print Fiction: "A Choice Considered" by Tracie Peterson, "The Last to Pie" by Misha Popp, "Wild Lavender Bookshop" by Jodi Thomas, and more.

I've been posting some pictures of the new books to the Northwood Public Library's Facebook page, so don't forget to "Like" the page to be notified when we put more new books out throughout the month.

Feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you might have via e-mail emily@northwood.lib.ia.us or call us at 324-1340. We hope you will check us out soon!

Elderbridge offers elderly flood assistance

Elderbridge Agency on Aging is the local area agency on aging providing the following services for any person aged 60 and older who has been adversely affected by the recent and ongoing flooding:

1) information and referral services,

2) assistance in completing FEMA or other financial assistance forms,

3) referrals to appropriate agencies for safe housing, food, clothing, or other necessities,

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Opinion

Savvy Senior

How to hire a caregiver for in-home help

Dear Savvy Senior,

I need to hire a good in-home caregiver to help my elderly father who lives alone. What's the best way to do this?

Searching Sarah

Dear Sarah,

Finding a good in-home caregiver for an elderly parent is not always easy. How can you find one that's reliable and trustworthy, as well as someone your parent likes and is comfortable with? Here are some tips that can help.

Know His Needs

Before you start the task of looking for an in-home caregiver, your first step is to determine the level of care your dad needs.

For example, if he only needs help with daily living tasks like shopping, cooking, doing laundry, bathing or dressing, a "homemaker" or "personal care aide" will do. But if he needs health care services, there are "home health aides" that may do all the things a homemaker does, plus they also have training in administering medications, changing wound dressings and other medically related duties. Home health aides often work under a nurse's supervision.

Once you settle on a level of care, you then need to decide how many hours of assistance he'll need. For example, does your dad need someone to come in just a few mornings a week to cook, clean, run errands or perhaps help him with a bath? Or does he need more continuous care that requires daily visits?

After you determine his needs, there are two ways in which you can go about hiring someone. Either through an agency, or you can hire someone directly on your own.

Hiring Through an Agency

Hiring a personal care or home health aide through an agency is the safest and easiest option, but it's more expensive. Costs typically run anywhere between $15 and $30 an hour depending on where you live and the qualification of the aide.

How it works is you pay the agency, and they handle everything including an assessment of your mom's needs, assigning appropriately trained and pre-screened staff to care for her, and finding a fill-in on days her aide cannot come.

Some of the drawbacks, however, are that you may not have much input into the selection of the caregiver, and the caregivers may change or alternate, which can cause a disruption.

To find a home care agency in your dad's area use search engines like Google or Bing and type in "home health care" or "non-medical home care" followed by the city and state your dad lives in. You can also use Medicare's search tool at Medicare.gov/care-compare – click on "home health services." Most home health agencies offer some form of non-medical home care services too.

You also need to know that original Medicare does not cover in-home caregiving services unless your dad is receiving doctor ordered skilled nursing or therapy services at home too. But, if your dad is in a certain Medicare Advantage plan, or is low-income and qualifies for Medicaid, he may be eligible for some coverage.

Hiring Directly

Hiring an independent caregiver on your own is the other option, and it's less expensive. Costs typically range between $12 and $25 per hour. Hiring directly also gives you more control over who you hire so you can choose someone who you feel is right for your dad.

But be aware that if you do hire someone on your own, you become the employer so there's no agency support to fall back on if a problem occurs or if the aide doesn't show up. You're also responsible for paying payroll taxes and any worker-related injuries that may happen. If you choose this option, make sure you check the aide's references thoroughly and do a criminal background check at companies like eNannySource.com.

To find someone use an elder-care matching service like Care.com or CareLinx.com, which both provide basic background checks.

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

You can learn a lot about someone by what they complain about.

Yeah? What do you know about me?

Everything.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Deep thoughts occur as I drive past his drive. It's that time of the year when I can't get there from here because of roadwork and floods, but I enjoyed visiting with Lester Perschbacher of Albert Lea. He is a Minnesota Dairy Herd Improvement Association milk tester and has been Lester the Tester for 68 years. When I asked him if he'd ever retire, Lester had a one-word answer, "Why?"

A friend told me he doesn't enjoy watching baseball because the games last too long. I enjoy the leisurely pace of a game and the lack of the constant irritating noise and flash that accompanies NBA and NFL games. I didn't ask him how he felt about the length of presidential elections. It's Excedrin headache 2024. It'd help if all candidates were required to be hooked up to a polygraph before speaking to the public or debating. Why does the election have to last over four years (or is it 40)? Couldn't it be shorter? Of course, it could, but it's a cash cow for many. Money spent on advertising alone would keep us all in mashed potatoes and gravy. There is no place with more fake news than election ads. "Liar Liar" is a 1997 comedy film starring Jim Carrey as a lawyer who built a career on lying but is cursed to speak only the truth for one day. That made him unfit for the political arena for a single day. Don't bother to argue politics with anyone. The person you're arguing with will always be wrong. Enough about politics. All we need now is more pitchers tossing complete games.

I was wrong

I heard distant thunder. I'd been told to count the seconds between lightning and thunder to determine a storm's distance from my location. "One Mississippi, two Mississippi, three Mississippi." The storm is three miles away. I was wrong. There was a time when a man could be anything he wanted to be except admitting to being wrong. It's probably still that way. It takes roughly five seconds for the sound of thunder to travel one mile. If you see a flash of lightning and count 10 seconds until you hear the thunder, you need to divide by five to determine that this storm is roughly two miles away. Typically, thunder can be heard up to 10 miles away. Since light travels at 186,000 miles per second, we see lightning the instant it flashes.

I've learned

Never spend more than one dollar for a bookmark. You could use a dollar bill as a bookmark instead.

The old you is younger than the new you.

It's time to turn down the air conditioning when it begins to snow in the living room.

Butt-dialing was more difficult with rotary phones.

Bad jokes department

The state trooper pulled over a pickup filled with three older fellows. The truck had been moving at the glacial pace of 13 mph. When asked why he was driving so slowly, the driver said he was going the speed limit as posted on a sign. The officer told him the sign showed they were on Highway 13. The trooper said, "What's wrong with your passengers? They look unwell."

"Oh, we just got off 136.".

Nature notes

The melancholy "hula, hoop, hoop, hoop" is the wistful song that gave the mourning dove its name. Pigeons and doves suck water through their beaks like a straw, instead of tilting their heads back to let gravity work. Both parents feed chicks pigeon milk—a nutrient-rich substance secreted by the crop and regurgitated as a meal.

There were flying TVs—turkey vultures overhead as I walked in woods where ticks, mosquitoes and deer flies were my grizzly bears. I strolled around a lake. A fellow told me that 95% of mosquitoes come from 5% of the water. Temporary water and changing water levels make for prime breeding habitats for many mosquitoes. Dragonflies, as larvae and adults, feed on mosquitoes. Go dragonflies!

Tiny white, frothy blobs were on various plants. They were produced by the nymphs of spittlebugs, and the "spit" keeps the nymph from drying out and discourages predators. Adult spittlebugs, sometimes called froghoppers, resemble leafhoppers. They're called froghoppers because their heads are elevated when at rest. Spittlebugs provide food for meadowlarks and other birds.

Meeting adjourned

There are angels on earth. They are the ones who listen attentively to another. Be kind.

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Fit to print...

We need warning labels on social media

By Michael Bugeja
Iowa Capital Dispatch
www.iowacapitaldispatch.com

Surgeon General Vivek Murthy is advocating for warning labels on social media platforms like TikTok, Instagram, X and Facebook, informing users about mental health risks for the nation's youth. He bases his analysis on tobacco warning labels changing users' behaviors and addictions.

He writes, "The mental health crisis among young people is an emergency. Adolescents who spend more than three hours a day on social media face double the risk of anxiety and depression symptoms, and the average daily use in this age group, as of the summer of 2023, was 4.8 hours."

Time spent on social media is a factor, but many dispute that as the sole reason causing addiction, depression and anxiety in teens and adolescents.

The Atlantic's Caroline Mimbs Nyce posted a skeptical response to Murthy's initiative, under the clever title of, "Instagram is not a cigarette." She questions warning label studies, noting "research into the effects of social media on young people has been a mixed bag; even the studies cited by Murthy are not as straightforward as presented in the op-ed."

She acknowledges that cigarettes cause cancer and heart disease. But one cannot compare social media's effect on children with dangers of nicotine.

A cigarette may look different from a TikTok screen. But both impact brain and body. Smoking causes permanent damage to the lungs. Social media damages the brain, impacting the "ability to concentrate, focus, form memories, and even our mental health."

Know2Protect, a national awareness campaign by the Department of Homeland Security, urges parents to view its several recommendations, "to understand the problem, know the threats, and take action."

The project focuses on top apps for teens, including YouTube, TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat and X. Use by young people "is nearly universal, with up to 95% of young people ages 13-17 reporting using a social media platform and more than a third saying they use social media 'almost constantly.'"

Moral panic

I have been covering this issue for decades as reporter and author. I wrote two books about it, published by Oxford University Press: Interpersonal Divide: The Search for Community in a Technological Age and Interpersonal Divide in the Age of the Machine.

My research indicates that technology addiction is a serious factor in the mental wellbeing of youth.

I dispute opinions to the contrary, such as this one by The Daily Beast, titled "The Surgeon General Is Wrong. Social Media Doesn't Need Warning Labels." Mike Masnick, technologist and founder of the popular Techdirt blog, cites the 1982 surgeon general warning about video games being hazardous to children. "This warning was not based on any actual science or evidence, but it kicked off decades of moral panic and fearmongering over the supposed risks of video games and children."

He makes the same correlation with warning labels.

The "moral panic" hyperbole — associated with Luddite-leaning determinists like me — is a spurious argument that has been debunked repeatedly by research. That excuse was leveled against me over the years by similar technologists since the publication of my first warning: "Facing the Facebook," published in 2006 by The Chronicle of Higher Education. Here's the lead sparking panic among tech writers, professors and collegiate digital vendors:

"Information technology in the classroom was supposed to bridge digital divides and enhance student research. Increasingly, however, our networks are being used to entertain members of 'the Facebook Generation' who text-message during class, talk on their cellphones during labs, and listen to iPods rather than guest speakers in the wireless lecture hall."

I have published dozens of op-eds and peer reviewed articles on the topic ever since, most recently in The Des Moines Register, noting "Social media's threat to Iowa children includes dangerous terms of service."

Here's an excerpt:

"Social media companies made more than $11 billion from minors last year. Forbes notes that these companies utilize a revenue model exploiting people of any age: 'Find users who will add and engage with content; keep them there at all costs; bring in more users; and sell ads or data. Rinse and repeat.'"

It is important for legislators, technologists, teachers and parents to remember that "time spent" on social media may impact psyche. But "time" also can be measured in several ways: age, generation and, most important, age when introduced to technology.

Toddler technology

Many Gen Z members have been exposed to tablets and mobile phones as early as age 2. That's all they know. They haven't read books. They haven't received a literary education, as prior generations did. They suffer from iDisorder, altering the brain's ability to process information "resulting in signs and symptoms of psychological disorders — such as stress, sleeplessness, and a compulsive need to check in with all of your technology."

A comprehensive study in JAMA Pediatrics — including 7097 mother-child pairs — found that screen time at age 1 year causes "developmental delays in communication and problem-solving at ages 2 and 4 years."

Warning labels on social media platforms will help awareness. But we need to do more. Children learn about the risks of social media by trial and error, especially concerning threats, bullying and privacy invasion. There's no excuse for that. Schools should be teaching media and technology literacy as early as middle school.

The issue now is urgent with the introduction of artificial intelligence combining with social media algorithms. Banning social media is not an option because those platforms are ubiquitous and universal. Proper use combined with awareness and literacy are our only options at present.

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Early Files

100 years ago

June 25, 1924

One of the most interesting and instructive features of the annual Farm Bureau picnic day was the luncheon given by the Worth County Farm Bureau women in honor of Grace Frysinger of Washington, D.C., who was one of the two visiting speakers on the outdoor afternoon program.

Although the threatening clouds probably kept many away from the Worth County Farm Bureau picnic at Northwood last Wednesday, the crowd was large, some claiming 5,000 visitors. As floats winded their way through Main Street led by the Northwood Municipal Band. Constant exclamations of admiration were heard from the spectators crowding the walks as the beautiful roses of the Deer Creek girls, the Fairy Land of Hartland, the Silver Lake, Kensett Korn Kids, the calves of the the calf club, Barton's progressive school, the handsome Holstein cow of the Northwood creamery and many others went by.

At 8 p.m. Thursday evening the 100th signer placed his name upon the contract for next year's Chautauqua and the audience under the big khaki tent was given the news that in 1925 for the 18th time the Redpath-Vawcer people would float their banners in Northwood.

The Worth County Historical Society met in Northwood last Wednesday afternoon for organization. The following officers were elected: Dr. C.A. Hurd, president; Ed Swensrud, vice president; and Mrs. John Johnson, secretary-treasurer. Directors were also chosen from the various townships to look after the matters of historical interest in their territory.

The Civic League picnic, postponed from Friday on account of the Farm Bureau picnic, Chautauqua and several other things will be held at Thompson's cottage, north of town, tomorrow. Dinner will be served as soon as all arrive and will be followed by an afternoon of sports and general good time.

75 years ago

July 7, 1949

Although the estimated cost of operating the Northwood schools for the 1949-50 year is about $5,000 more than the past year, the amount to be raised by taxation will be at least $5,000 under the 1948-49 fiscal year. It is estimated it will take a grand total of $106,840 for the coming year's operation of the schools.

June, traditionally the brides' month, was no exception in Worth County this year. Marriage license records at the office of Ole Bakken, clerk of court, show that 67 licenses to wed were granted during the 30 days of June this year, bringing the total for 1949 to 267.

Northwood's war-time honor roll of servicemen in Central Park is to be formally unveiled Sunday afternoon at a 2:30 ceremony, Mrs. Ed Holstad chairman of a committee of service organization representatives, said today. All local veterans organizations - American Legion, VFW and Amvets and their auxiliaries to take part.

All North Iowa sweltered this week in the most prolonged and hottest heat wave of the summer. In Northwood the temperature rose to 94 degrees last Thursday and topped the 90 degree mark every day of the seven since.

The parish house adjoining the Deer Creek Valley Lutheran Church is nearly completed with only some varnishing left undone, the Rev. Christian Notsund, pastor, said this week.

Mrs. Carl Rue received word last week that her brother, Halvor Skadeland, 80, who lived at Maddock, North Dakota, had died suddenly following a stroke.

Approximately 100 spring chickens averaging about 4 pounds each were stolen from the C.I. McQuatters farm Monday night.

The Northwood fire department will present a benefit home talent show Wednesday and Thursday, July 21 and 22, it was announced today. Miss Lucy H. Daily of St. Paul will organize the cast and other details on the promotion.

50 years ago

July 4, 1974

James Diemer, Manly, poses with his automobile after winning the $100 grand prize in the demolition derby sponsored by the Northwood Jaycees on June 30. The top three drivers for the first heat, Bruce Bergo, Dave Larson and Ward Wiland competed against the top three from the second heat, Dennis Kohler, Tom Schrag and Diemer in the finals of the derby. Schrag, Carpenter, won the $50 runner-up prize.

George Kesler, owner of Veterans Petroleum, Inc., Northwood, was appointed and sworn in to the Northwood town council to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Lonnie Harris. Kesler owns the Skelgas and DX fuel distributorship for the area, located on East Central Avenue.

The Manly Jaycees present a check for $117.40 to the Association for Retarded Children of Worth County. The Northwood Jaycees contributed $280.48. Pat Harnack, past president of the Manly Jaycees; Dennis Hauser, interval vice-president; Jim Diemer, current president and Mrs. Leonard Garnas, president of the ARC of Worth County were present. The funds were raised by selling jelly during Jelly Week.

Members of the Myrtle volunteer fire department posed with their new engine. Harry Olson, Clarks Grove fire chief; Babe Green, Myrtle fire chief; George Ziebell, secretary-treasurer, fire board; Elmer Peterson, Myrtle mayor; Otis Lee, Myrtle fireman; Kenneth Koch, chairman, fire board. The company will sponsor a benefit dance July 12.

Pamela Odden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Odden, graduated May 31, from Naeve Hospital School of Nursing. She was a member of the last nursing class at Naeve Hospital, Albert Lea. She has accepted employment as an R.N. at St. Cloud Hospital, St. Cloud.

25 years ago

July 7, 1999

Four-year-old Alissa Bachtle and recent Northwood-Kensett High graduate Janet Butler were all smiles after winning respective crowns as Little Miss Northwood and Miss Northwood Sunday afternoon during Fourth of July festivities in Swensrud Park. Alissa is the daughter of Jason and Jodie Bachtle of Northwood and Janet is the daughter of Van and Margie Butler of rural Kensett.

Worth County farmers and businesses - and some proud parents, grandparents and friends — paid a total of $22,075 at the Worth County Fair junior ribbon sale last Monday night. Ashley Dierenfeld won top dollar when the Northwood Co-op Elevator and Pangburn Stock Farm paid a combined $375 for her grand champion market beef, grand champion prospect heifer and champion senior showman ribbons.

Angela Kuennen of Northwood has received the Ira Stinson Memorial Scholarship from the North Iowa Area Community College Foundation in the amount of $500. Kuennen is in the Nursing program at NIACC and is the daughter of Art and Barb Kuennen of Northwood.

Worth County naturalist Dan Block presented Northwood 13-year-old Andy Ouverson with the $15 first prize following the "Carp-o-Rama" Sunday in Swensrud Park. Ouverson used his pole and net to capture the largest (4 pounds, 4 ounces) and only carp caught in the contest.

Northwood Men's Club president Chris Mielke presented two trophies to 17-year-old Scott Eilertson following the annual demolition derby at the Worth County Fair. Eilertson captured the winner's trophy and the "hardest hit of the night" hardware after out dueling Chad Nelson in the final free-for-all.

10 years ago

July 2, 2014

Teresa Krull and her husband Jim, who live on Highway 105 east of Northwood, have made a giant Fourth of July on their acreage to remind people of America's 238th birthday this Friday. Teresa is pictures a few weeks ago putting the first of the 50 starts on the flag.

Northwood will celebrate the Fourth of July Friday and the Northwood Fireworks Fund, used to pay for the annual display, is off to a slow start. The Northwood Volunteer Fire Company has once again organized this Friday's fireworks, which are sponsored by all those who send in donations. The goal for this year's fireworks fundraising drive is $4,000. So far, $450 has been donated.

Downtown Northwood traffic last Monday, June 23, for a portion of the morning, consisted of a long stretch of tractors as the 18th Annual WHO Tractor Ride passed through the city. The tractor ride was expected to included a total of 450 tractors and 550 riders as it passed through North Iowa.

Savannah Lira of Northwood was named to the University of Iowa's 2014 spring semester Dean's List.

Last Wednesday downtown Albert Lea welcomed visitors to the first of its monthly summer celebrations with "Wind Down Wednesday." The once-a-month event includes a number of vendors lining several blocks in Albert Lea's downtown, along with businesses offering special sales and entertainment. Northwood Anchor sports editor Mike Simmons, who brought a package of cupcakes from the Fat Jill's booth, owned by Northwood baker Jill Trainer. The next Wind Down Wednesday events will be held on July 16 and August 20, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day.

N-K's Katelyn Jaspers is putting it all on the field this summer, her last in a Vikings' uniform. The talented senior is first on the team with 22 hits, second with a .333 batting average, fourth with a .371 on base percentage and is first on the team with 17 stolen bases.

Northwood Anchor

Obituaries

Cayleigh Pepper

Cayleigh L. Pepper left this world on June 22, 2024, wrapped in the arms of her family. Her battle was hard fought and her heart fierce. She filled 14.5 years of life to the brim with love, stubbornness and laughter.

We gathered and celebrated her life at 10 a.m. on Monday, July 1, 2024, at First Lutheran Church, 309 Ninth St. N., Northwood, Iowa, with Rev. Becky Sogge officiating.

Visitation and viewing took place from 4 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, June 30, 2024, at Conner Colonial Chapel, 1008 First Ave. South, Northwood. Visitation continued one hour prior to the church service.

Following the services cremation rites were to be held and she will rest with her family.

Memorials may be directed in care of Cayleigh's family.

Cayleigh Lynn was born on September 28, 2009, in Omaha, Nebraska, the eldest child of Christina Lynn Pepper. She spent her early years in Omaha, attending Westbrook Elementary School. She was blessed with three younger siblings, Brody, Evelynn "Evie" and Hunter, whom she adored and took care of diligently. After moving to Northwood in 2021, Cayleigh attended Northwood-Kensett Middle School and had just completed the eighth grade. She had a natural talent for numbers and loved math class. Her creativity blossomed in her art and writing, showcasing another beautiful side of her.



CAYLEIGH PEPPER

Though Cayleigh could sometimes appear bossy or annoyed with them, her love for her siblings was profound. She delighted in teaching and guiding them, and she had a knack for making even the most mundane moments fun. Her dogs, Pebbles and Cocoa, and her cats brought her immense joy, reflecting her deep love for animals, often choosing their company over humans.

In March 2023, Cayleigh was diagnosed with Osteosarcoma, a battle she faced with unwavering determination. Despite the countless scans, doctor appointments, surgeries and the rollercoaster of hopeful and devastating news, Cayleigh and her family remained resilient, finding humor even in the darkest times. Throughout her journey, her family met wonderful nurses, doctors and supporters who became like a second family, always standing by their side and lifting them up.

Cayleigh's unyielding spirit shone through even in the face of adversity. Fortnite and music were a helpful escape. During her treatments she looked forward to spending time with her mom, whether they were playing board games, coloring, doing crafts, reading or playing cards, especially UNO. She cherished visits from her family, friends and neighbors. Cayleigh was excited to work at the pool this summer and looked forward to starting high school. Her Jordans and dress were ready for prom. She dreamed of traveling the country, skydiving, visiting paranormal locations and enjoying more sunsets and moments with loved ones.

Although Cayleigh's time was cut short, her presence can be felt everywhere in the changing colors of the sunrise and sunset, the rainbow after the rain, the butterfly on the window sill and the twinkling stars at night. If you know where to look, you might just see her.

Blessed to have shared this life with her are her parents, Christina and Chris Stromley of Northwood; siblings, Brody, Evelynn and Hunter; boyfriend, Gabe Thompson; uncle, Ed Pepper; cousins, Jessica and Janel Pepper; godmother, Dani Gentz; grandma, Brenda Gentz; aunt, Chelsea Stromley; cherished friends, guardians, family friends and everyone that walked beside them along the way.

Greeting her in heaven are her grandma, Cyndie Pepper; maternal great-grandparents, Melvin and Vaneda Pepper; as well as many extended relatives.

European Corn Borer Field Day set for July 17 near Ames

A pest that most corn farmers haven't had to worry about since the late 1990s appears to be making a comeback.

European corn borer (ECB) has largely been controlled thanks to Bacillus thuringiensis corn (better known as Bt corn), which was first introduced in 1996. But field-evolved resistance is showing up in several Canadian provinces and most recently, in Connecticut.

In an effort to address the issue and train crop scouts on what to look for, entomology experts with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and the United States Department of Agriculture are teaming up to offer a special field day July 17 west of Ames.

A day-long educational program will be held at the Field Extension Education Laboratory, located at 1928 240th St. near Boone.

Erin Hodgson, professor and extension entomologist at Iowa State, and Ashley Dean, extension education specialist, will lead participants through educational sessions that include an industry update, as well as hands-on trapping and detection, and first- and second-generation scouting.

They will be joined by Tom Sappington, Brad Coates and Craig Abel – all entomologists with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service.



"This educational event will explain how to detect European corn borer, why it's showing up again and what agronomists and crop consultants can do to help safeguard the industry," said Hodgson. "It's been so long since it was an issue that many people may have forgotten what it looks like, or that it even still exists."

Before the development of Bt seeds, ECB was estimated to have cost U.S. farmers over a billion dollars annually in yield losses and control efforts, earning it the title "the billion-dollar bug."

It is estimated that just one corn borer can cause 3-5% yield loss, and multiple borers can wipe out a crop. Hodgson and Dean want to remind farmers and those who advise them of what to look for and how to do their part to prevent an infestation from starting.

Their best advice is to plant pyramid Bt hybrids to ensure multiple toxins are contributing to ECB control. They also advise farmers to conserve beneficial insects and shred or bury corn residue to reduce the survival of overwintering larvae within fields.

Hodgson and Dean provide further information in an Integrated Crop Management news article they co-authored in May 2024 called Blast from the Past: European Corn Borer is Back on the Radar.

The field day is free to attend and lunch and continuing education credits will be provided. Registration is required by July 10 and can be done online at https://go.iastate.edu/YUV5EL

Participants need only to register for one session, as both sessions feature the same topics. For assistance with registration or questions about the program, contact Erin Hodgson at ewh@iastate.edu or 515-294-2847. Ashley Dean can be reached at adean@iastate.edu or 515-447-3766.



Viking Macy Thorson fouls off a pitch during Monday night's game against Central Springs.



Viking first baseman Lauren Heiken attempts to tag Panther Kaci Crum during Monday night's action in Northwood.



Viking right fielder True Hackenmiller waits for the inning to begin during Monday night's Top of Iowa Conference game against Central Springs.

Vikings softball now 4-16 overall

By Julie Salisbury

The Northwood-Kensett softball team is now 4-16 overall and 2-12 in the Top of Iowa Conference after losing three games last week.

On Monday, June 24, the Vikings hosted Central Springs in a TIC game and fell 12-0.

The Panthers scored one run in the second inning and 11 in the third. No other information was made available at the time of this story on Sunday morning.

On Wednesday, June 26, the Vikings hosted Osage in a TIC game and lost 15-1. No other information was made available.

On Thursday, June 27, the Vikings hosted the Nashua-Plainfield Huskies in a TIC game and were defeated 8-4.

Nashua scored one in the first and third innings and six in the fourth and Northwood plated one in the second, two in the third and one in the seventh. No other information was made available.

Information from the week prior regarding the Newman game on Friday, June 21.

The Vikings traveled to Newman to take on the Class 1A no. 10 Knights and lost by a score of 6-0.

The Vikings scored no runs and had no hits while being walked twice and striking out nine times.

Bailey Thorson allowed six runs on four hits while walking two.

Evan Lorenzen records seven stolen bases in loss to Panthers

By Julie Salisbury

The Northwood baseball team hosted Central Springs in their first game of the week on Monday, June 24. The Vikings fell to the Panthers in the Top of Iowa Conference game 10-8.

Aydan Schutz led the team with two singles, two RBIs and one stolen base and Evan Lorenzen led the team in stolen bases with a season high seven to go along with his single and a double. Bowan Behne had two singles and three stolen bases and Noah Woltzen had a double and one RBI. Aden Bice had a single and two RBIs and Camden Trenhaile had one RBI.

The Vikings scored eight runs on eight hits and had six RBIs. They were walked three times, hit by the pitcher twice and struck out 11 times.

Behne pitched two innings allowing three runs on four hits while walking one, hitting one batter and striking out two. Lorenzen pitched two innings allowing five runs on five hits while walking five, hitting one batter and striking out five. Bice pitched three innings allowing two runs on three hits while walking three.

On Wednesday, June 26, the Vikings hosted Osage in a TIC game and lost 10-0 with the Green Devils scoring one in the first, two in the second, one in the fourth and six in the fifth.

Behne led the team with a double and Woltzen had a single.

The Vikings scored no runs on two hits, walked one time, were hit by the pitcher one time and struck out nine times.

Jace Lindberg pitched one inning allowing six runs on three hits while walking two, hitting two batters and striking out one. Schutz pitched four innings allowing four runs on seven hits while walking five, hitting two batters and striking out three.

On Thursday, June 27, the Vikings hosted the Nashua-Plainfield Huskies in a conference matchup and won 9-7. The Vikings scored three in the first innings, three in the second and three in the sixth and the Huskies scored one run in the first, third and fourth innings, two in the fifth and two in the seventh.

Behne led the team with two singles, a double, one RBI and one stolen base. Woltzen had two singles and two RBIs and Lorentzen had one single and five stolen bases. Camden Trenhaile had a single and one stolen base and Schutz had one RBI and one stolen base. Brady Christianson had a single, Hunter Janssen had three RBIs and Lindberg stole one base.

The Vikings scored nine runs on eight hits and had seven RBIs. They were walked six times, hit by the pitcher five times and struck out eight times.

Behne pitched 2.2 innings allowing two runs on two hits while walking two, hitting one batter and striking out five. Bice pitched 4.1 innings allowing five runs on four hits while walking three batters, hitting one batter and striking out seven.

The Vikings are 3-11 in conference play and 6-13 overall.



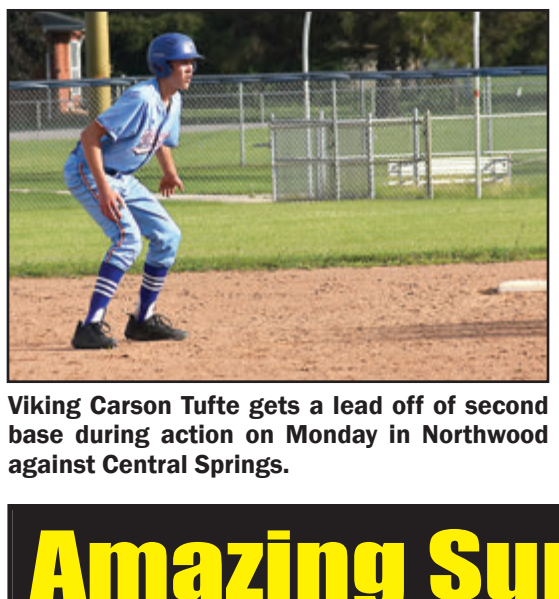
Viking Evan Lorenzen slides safely into third base during Monday night's game against Central Springs.



Aden Bice stands on third base during conference action against the Panthers on Monday evening.



Viking Hunter Janssen looks down to the third base coach during Monday night's game against the visiting Panthers.



Viking Carson Tufte gets a lead off of second base during action on Monday in Northwood against Central Springs.



Viking Aydan Schutz walks back to second base during action against the Panthers on Monday night in Northwood.

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