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Worth County Courthouse tower taken down
These pictures were given to the Northwood Anchor earlier this year. The photos were taken from the location of the former Low's Standard Service station at the corner of 10th Street South and Central Avenue. The pictures show the scene from March 1969, when the tower on the Worth County Courthouse was removed. The tower had been in place for 76 years. It was removed at the time due to the poor condition of the wood and brick.

Northwood-Kensett board discusses policy updates

At its regular monthly meeting on August 13, the Northwood-Kensett school board discussed the implementation of legislative changes, and the changes they hope to see as a focus of future legislative efforts.

Each month, the school board reviews and/or updates changes to board policy, often to accommodate changes made at the state level. Sometimes those changes are slight updates to terms or word-

ing. Others, like some of those discussed at the August meeting, are made to comply with changes in state law.

One set of policies reviewed concerns disruptive behavior. Superintendent Tony Hiatt noted that those policies are still changing and may have to be reviewed again, with an update expected the week after the meeting.

The policy, as presented and discussed at the meeting, see Page 2

Council discusses scooters, sidewalks, pool slides

At their regular meeting on August 10, the Northwood city council discussed potential ways to address scooter safety, sidewalks and pool needs.

Council member Teresa George-Zenz revisited her concerns about the safe use of electric scooters in the city.

At past meetings, the members of the council have discussed potential safety concerns for young people riding the scooters on city streets.

Information from the Iowa DOT notes that there are no requirements for registration, licenses, minimum ages, helmets or safety courses for e-scooters. Those on e-scooters are only required to follow traffic laws.

George-Zenz proposed adopting some rules for use in the city of Northwood, similar to other Iowa cities.

Council, see Page 2

Election dates approach

Those that would like to file to serve on local environmental or agricultural boards have until next week to do so. Several other dates and deadlines are also approaching for the November general election.

Those that would like to file to serve on the Worth County Soil and Water District Commission or Agricultural Extension Council can do so through next Wednesday, August 26.

The first day to file a request for an absentee ballot for the general election is next Tuesday, August 25.

Absentee ballots will be ready on October 14. That is also the first day that ballots may voted in the auditor's office.

The deadline to pre-register to vote in the election is October 19 at 5 p.m. Mailed registration forms must be postmarked on or before October 19.

Election, see Page 2

N-K Athletic Hall of Fame announces induction ceremony and festivities

The Northwood-Kensett Athletic Hall of Fame Committee has announced the induction of the 2026 Hall of Fame Class, to be held on Friday, September 4, during the Vikings' home opener against Harris Lake Park at the Northwood-Kensett High School Football Stadium.

This year's inductees include Coach Dave Capitani, Lee Nelson (Class of 2004), Eric Parker (Class of 2005) and Hattie Davidson (Class of 2016).

A private banquet for the inductees and their families will take place from 5-6 p.m. in the Northwood-Kensett High Hall of Fame, see Page 2

Manly Railroad Ag Days begin Friday

The annual celebration of Manly's agricultural and rail heritage begins this Friday and continues through Sunday, August 23. A number of events and activities will be held as a part of the celebration of this year's Railroad Ag Days.

Railroad Ag Days will be held in downtown Manly.

Events begin this Friday, August 21, with a free will meal from 5-7 p.m.

The Mister and Miss Manly contest will be held

Ag Days, see Page 2



The Week's WEATHER

From National Weather Service information

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Mon. August 10	85	65	0.10
Tues. August 11	84	67	0.03
Wed. August 12	87	71	0.02
Thurs. August 13	86	69	
Fri. August 14	77	67	0.43
Sat. August 15	73	66	T
Sun. August 16	79	68	



Celebrating in Glenville
This past weekend, Glenville held its annual later summer celebration, with Glenville Days. The weekend brought a variety of events, activities and entertainment throughout the community. That included the Glenville Days parade on Saturday. It also included the crowning of Glenville's Little King and Queen. The young royalty, Tayleigh Gaines and Beau Jenson are pictured in the parade. See more pictures on page 12.



Founders Day set for September 12

The annual Founders Day celebration in Northwood will take place on Saturday, September 12, with a number of events and activities planned for the day.

The 22 annual Aristocrats Car Club show will be held along Central Avenue in downtown Northwood. Registration is from 8-11 a.m., voting until 1 p.m. and awards announced at 2 p.m. Those that would like to view the classic cars and interesting vehicles may travel downtown that day. Those interested in enter-

ing their vehicle, or who would like more information, may contact Dan Hendrikson at 641-390-1118.

A chess tournament will be held as a 50/50 fundraiser for Hotel Winifred at 10 a.m. The tournament will be held between the buildings south of Central Avenue on Eighth Street. The tournament will include groups for those eighth grade and younger, those in high school and adults.

As the Northwood-Kensett class of 1976 celebrates their 50th reunion,

they will host an all alumni gathering at Hotel Winifred, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with the opportunity to visit with classmates, tour the hotel and learn more about the project. A special movie featuring N-K classes, created by Dick Holstad, will be shown at 3 p.m.

The 3Rivers Pony Express will host a Founders Day Open Fun Horse Show, starting at 10:30 a.m. at the Worth County Fairgrounds horse arena. Entries open at 9:30 a.m.

Historian Kevin Mason, a professor at the University

of Northern Iowa, will be speaking at the Olson Community Room at 1 p.m., sharing the story of the 1835 Dragoon Expedition route in Iowa, and how prairies and wetlands evolved into farms, towns and highways.

There will also be a number of vendors, local artists and food trucks downtown, along with Northwood businesses and restaurants open throughout the day.

See more information on events and activities in the Anchor as Founders Day approaches.

Hall of Fame Cont. from Page 1

School cafeteria. Former KGLO sports radio personality Tim Fleming will serve as emcee for the evening and will later introduce the inductees during halftime of the football game.

During the banquet, inductees will participate in a private signing of Northwood-Kensett Hall of Fame items, which will be displayed in the N-K trophy case at the high school. The Hall of Fame digital kiosk will also feature photos and content celebrating the 2026 class throughout the

event.

Beginning at 6 p.m., the public is invited to greet the inductees during an open reception in the cafeteria, which will run until 6:45 p.m.

The Vikings' home opener and homecoming game will kick off at 7 p.m., with the official Hall of Fame induction ceremony taking place at halftime. Inductees will be honored in front of the home grandstand and presented with their Hall of Fame plaques.

Following the game, friends, family, alumni and community members are invited to continue the celebration at Worth Brewing Company.

The Northwood-Kensett Athletic Hall of Fame Committee encourages the community to join in recognizing the achievements of the 2026 Hall of Fame Class and celebrating their lasting contributions to Viking athletics.

N-K Cont. from Page 1

ing, recognizes classroom teachers' authority to remove students who cause violent or nonviolent disruptions. The policy also provides that students have due process rights before facing discipline.

The policy outlines how disruptive behavior by students with individual education plans will be addressed, involving special education teachers and other staff in the process.

The policy also provides for the support of mental health professionals, guidance counselors or others as requested by teachers, to students or staff, for any trauma arising after a disruption, with consent from parents if under 18.

In the case where students are removed more than once, teachers, principals, counselors, parents and the students are to take part in a meeting to discuss the incidents.

In the case of violent disruptions, teachers and administrators must meet to discuss the situation before the student can return to the classroom.

If a student assaults a teacher, they cannot be re-admitted unless the teacher agrees.

In the case of multiple violent disruptions in a semester, they may be disciplined with suspension and placement in an alternative learning environment.

Another policy discussed focuses on student activity programs.

This policy includes new language regarding the process to allow eighth graders to participate in high school sports.

Another part of the policy was recommended to change eligibility for students that participate in school sports and sports programs based outside of the school at the same time.

Currently students are free to do so without any school permission. At the meeting, a recommendation was made to require high school students to get permission before doing so.

School board members at the meeting, Shana Brunsvold, Bradley Christianson and Jamie Nelson, did not see a reason to require the change, but wanted to have the district's athletic directors weigh in if they see an issue. If not, the policy would not change.

Two of the policy changes came as a part of federal recommendations, a part of the federal Make America Healthy Again (MAHA) agenda.

One of those changes would limit digital instruction to 60 minutes each day for students in grades K-5. That includes the use of instructional technology. It also prohibits the use of digital devices during recess.

Another change requires Iowa students to have their physical fitness assessed through the presidential physical fitness test, once the federal government provides guidance on that test.

Each year, the Iowa Association of School Boards asks its member boards, including at N-K, what areas it should focus on for legislative priorities when lobbying for or against changes at the statehouse.

At the August meeting, the school board chose four areas of legislative priorities.

That included student behavior/removal policies, the implementation of the MAHA bill, state assessments and curriculum, and state aid and state funds for support staff.

In other business at the meeting, secondary principal Keith Fritz shared that

middle school students would no longer be allowed to take school-owned laptops home at the end of the day. Fritz explained that students had been finding ways around safeguards and using the laptops in ways beyond the educational intent of the devices.

Election Cont. from Page 1

Those that have voted recently are most likely registered already. People who have moved or changed names should update their registration.

October 19 is also the last day to request an absentee ballot by mail.

The deadline to request and vote an absentee ballot in person at the auditor's office

is Monday, November 2.

The general election will be held on Tuesday, November 3, with polls open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

More information on Worth County elections, including forms and nomination petitions, can be found at the Worth County Auditor's office or online at elections.worthcountyiowa.gov.

Council Cont. from Page 1

Referenced at the meeting were the city of Norwalk, which has considered rules that require scooters to yield to pedestrians, have lights when riding at night and not allowing their use on any streets with speed limits above 25 mph.

Also mentioned was the city of Ankeny, where the scooters are not allowed on sidewalks in the town's business district.

George-Zenz proposed rules that would prohibit scooters from riding on the streets that coincide with Highway 65 in the city, except to cross those streets. She also mentioned treating the scooters like golf carts in the city, mentioning the use of flags and reflectors. George-Zenz suggested that they not be allowed before 1/2 before sunrise or after 1/2 hour after sunset.

City administrator Amber Julseth mentioned concerns about scooters riding on sidewalks downtown, and

mentioned that as a consideration. Julseth also said she had contacted the company that the City works with to write city code, for examples of what other Iowa cities are doing.

Sheriff Jesse Luther said that he had been looking at what other cities in Iowa had done about the scooters, and planned to work with deputies to consider options in Northwood and Worth County. Deputy Katrina Neve was also said to work with younger kids this school year to make sure they knew the traffic rules they were required to obey on scooters, as well as bikes and other ways to ride on city streets.

In other business at the council meeting,

• Julseth mentioned that the City would be getting bids from contractors to address sidewalk issues.

Over the course of the past several years, after initial reviews, delays with the

highway work in the city and follow ups, the City of Northwood has contacted property owners whose sidewalks do not meet city code or have safety issues.

Those that have not fixed their sidewalks or have not contacted the City to let them know about plans to do so, will have the sidewalks fixed by the City and will be charged for the work.

• The council discussed a request to keep the Northwood pool open for water aerobics and potential pool projects and repairs.

Council members discussed concerns about liability with having one person as a certified lifeguard on duty, based on the number of people taking part in aerobics.

As long as the City was covered for liability, the council approved the use for aerobics.

City superintendent Dirk Van Ryswyk discussed other pool concerns.

Van Ryswyk said that the slides next to the diving board will have to be removed, as a broken bar can't be replaced and the slides can't be used safely.

The council discussed potential WCDA grant projects to replace the slides with something similar or a different pool feature in the area.

The larger blue slide has also had issues towards the end of the pool's season. A portion of the slide has been patched and repaired over the summer, but Van Ryswyk said he would like to have an inspector look at the slide to make sure there isn't more work needed before the next summer.

Other potential WCDA grants discussed include replacing street lights, mosquito spraying equipment, solar energy equipment at the water treatment facility and a portion of the project to remove trees in the city.

Ag Days Cont. from Page 1

at 7 p.m.

Railroad Ag Days activities continue on Saturday morning, August 22, at 8 a.m. with a one 5K walk/run event.

The Railroad Ag Days Car Show begins with line up at 9 a.m. Public judging will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Awards will be announced at 3 p.m.

A vendor show will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

A dunk tank will also be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Manly Railroad Ag Days parade will begin at 10:30 p.m. Those that wish to participate should line up at the Central Springs school parking lot starting at 9:45 a.m.

Following the parade, the annual raffle will be held, with tickets available until 3:30 p.m.

Free face painting will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A number of food trucks will be in Manly on Saturday starting at noon.

Photo contest judging will take place from 12 noon to 3 p.m.

Just for Kix dancers will perform starting at noon.

A bean bag tournament will begin at 12 noon.

Young people will be challenged to put their pedaling power to the test with a pedal pull starting at 12:30 p.m.

Inflatables will be available from 1-4 p.m. for young people.

A fire department obstacle course will be open from 1-3 p.m.

Pony rides will also be available from 1-3 p.m.

The winners of the photo contest and raffle winners will be announced at 4 p.m.

Entertainment on Saturday will include the Hepperly Band from 7-10 p.m.

The last day of Railroad Ag Days on Sunday, August 24, will include a worship in Central Park at 10:30 a.m.

The Manly Railroad Museum will also be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on August 21-23.

More information on the events, including how to enter events and competitions, can be found on the Manly Development Group Facebook page as the weekend approaches.

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Flying over fields
This agricultural aircraft was pictured as it flew over fields near Northwood recently. Crop dusters like the plane seen here are used to apply chemicals to crops, avoiding the damage from ground-based application equipment.

Webinar series for Iowa food businesses highlights value-added products marketing

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach’s Food Innovation and Business Hub, a resource that helps Iowa entrepreneurs develop successful food businesses, will continue its monthly Lunch and Learn webinar series in 2026. The webinars are offered at no cost and open to all.

The series is specifically designed for food business owners, farmers exploring value-added products and individuals in the early stages of developing a food-based enterprise.

Christa Hartsook, program manager for Farm, Food and Enterprise Development at ISU Extension and Outreach, said the series will help participants move closer to regulatory compliance and profitability.

“These bite-sized lunch and learn webinars are designed specifically for small food business owners,” said Hartsook. “We’ll offer real-world experiences and

practical tips on everything from food safety to marketing to using AI efficiently in your business. Bring your lunch and leave with ideas you can use.”

Each session will begin at noon on its respective date and feature a presentation from Iowa State food business and food safety experts, followed by an open question-and-answer session.

Webinar schedule and registration

- Sept. 1: An Intro to AI in Your Small Food Business
- Oct. 6: Food Marketing Tactics That Work
- Nov. 3: All About the Sauce
- Dec. 1: Shelf-Stable Frostings

More information about the Food Innovation and Business Hub and the webinar series is available by contacting Hartsook at hartc@iastate.edu.

Tick bites are surging in the US this year. Here’s what to know.

By Amelia Twyman
Iowa Capital Dispatch
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The prime time for ticks continues in the United States, and after an especially active start to the season, experts continue to urge the public to stay alert and take preventive measures.

Monthly emergency department visits for tick bites in April spiked to their highest level since 2017 and continued to remain high throughout May and June, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s tick bite tracker.

Though it’s hard to predict what the rest of the season will look like, given that tick activity depends on a number of different factors, there has definitely been a recent geographic expansion of the area ticks inhabit, said Pilar Fernandez, a disease ecologist and assistant professor at Washington State University.

The tiny blood-suckers, which tend to thrive in warmer climates, are spreading to places that used to be too cold for their existence, she said during a July 1 SciLine media briefing, as temperatures rise in the United States and around the world.

With more ticks comes a greater risk of individuals developing tick-borne diseases such as Lyme disease, Alpha-gal syndrome and anaplasmosis. That’s why researchers are encouraging people to know their facts and learn how to protect themselves from bites as they venture outdoors.

What’s going on this year? According to the CDC, an estimated 31 million people

are bitten by ticks each year, with most encounters taking place between April and October. But in 2026, ER visits began rising as early as March.

Weekly ER trips for tick bites were also up in every U.S. region except for South Central as of June 28, the online tick tracker shows.

Global warming is certainly one reason behind this recent surge in tick activity, though Fernandez said the whole picture is much more complicated.

Because ticks can live for up to two to three years, it’s difficult to understand the delayed seasonal effects of increased temperatures or precipitation on their population, she said.

Other factors, including local environmental conditions and how much time people spend outside can have an impact on annual tick encounters, she added.

Every spring and summer, she said, people ask her if it’s going to be a “big year” for ticks, which is “a really hard question to answer, because it’s not equal across all locations.”

Most tick cases are recorded in the Northeast and Midwest, but different species of ticks are found in every region of the country. And as the population expands into areas where people are unaware of how to protect themselves and unaccustomed to checking for bites, the threat of contracting a tick-borne infection grows, Fernandez said.

Tick-borne diseases

Ticks carry pathogens that they then pass on to humans by biting into their skin and feeding on their blood. An untreated tick bite can lead to the development of one of nearly 20 different



human diseases in the U.S., the most common of which is Lyme disease — about 476,000 patients are treated annually, according to the CDC.

Another tick-borne infection that has been on the rise is Alpha-gal syndrome, which causes people to experience a serious allergic reaction after they eat red meat or other animal products that contain the sugar molecule alpha-gal. It is most commonly associated with the lone star species of tick distributed throughout the Northeastern, Southern and Midwestern United States.

Initial symptoms of tick-borne illnesses are unspecific and often the same as those that come with regular sickness, such as a fever, headache, muscle aches and joint pain, according to Alvaro Toledo, an associate professor in the Department of Entomology at Rutgers who also spoke at the July 1 media briefing.

“Physicians need to be vigilant and aware if they receive a patient with symptoms that are compatible with a tick-borne disease,” he said.

What if you find a tick?

If one discovers a tick on the skin, Toledo said the proper response is to first quickly remove the tick with tweezers by pinching and pulling it up in a vertical

motion, then disinfecting the area and monitoring for signs of sickness.

People should not, on the other hand, deal with a tick by burning it off or applying petroleum jelly to the bite, said University of Wisconsin-Madison Assistant Professor Adela Oliva Chavez, a tick researcher, at the briefing.

“Those are myths,” she warned.

Ticks typically do not transmit infection until after they have been attached to the skin for 24 hours, which is why the CDC recommends people aim to remove the pests as soon as possible within the first day.

However, experts say the most effective way to prevent tickborne disease in humans is by limiting exposure to ticks in the first place.

Toledo said people should use chemical sprays such as permethrin on their clothing and classic bug repellents on their skin to keep ticks away. It’s also a good idea to wear long, light-colored clothing when spending time in forests and other highly vegetated areas where ticks are abundant.

But, he added as a reminder to the public, there is “no zero-risk zone anywhere when you go out ... even in your backyard, risk is not zero.”

Individuals can further reduce their chance of acquiring a tick bite by checking their pets just as often themselves, according to Oliva Chavez. Dogs and cats can easily bring ticks into the house from outside, and if they aren’t yet attached to the animal’s flesh, they can make their way onto humans, she said.



Children:

1. Use crosswalks when crossing the street.
2. Don't run into the street from between parked cars.
3. Walk in pairs and walk on the sidewalk.
4. If you ride your bike to and from school, ride on the right side of the street and obey all traffic laws.
5. Carry your books and school supplies in a backpack so that you can operate your bicycle safely.
6. Don't play around school buses. Always walk in front of the school bus, only after the bus driver signals you to go ahead.

School is starting and the first lesson is:
BE SAFE!

Motorists:

- Drive extra careful around schools; be alert to children running or riding their bicycles into the street.
- State law require that a motor vehicle approaching a school bus that is displaying red flashing lights and has a stop arm extended must stop until the stop arm is retracted and the bus resumes motion.
- Intermediate license: The driver is either 16 or 17 years of age and the license is not valid between the hours of 12:30 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.
- School driving permits allows for a person age 14 to 18 to drive to and from school by the most direct and accessible route between their home and school. A school permit is only valid from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. if the student is attending a duly scheduled extracurricular activity within the school district.

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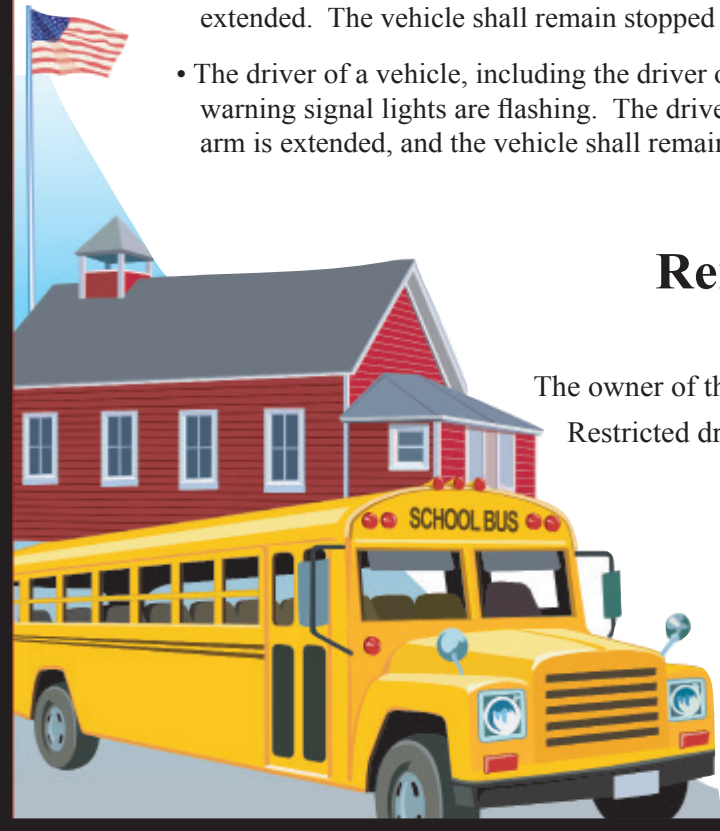
Remember, you may not pass a bus if the amber (yellow) or red lights are on or the stop arm is extended.

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Restricted drivers license will be strictly enforced! Students may drive to and from school only on the most direct route.

Let’s protect our Children!

Worth County Sheriff’s Office

Jesse Luther, Worth County Sheriff





Pictured are the returning players for the Vikings volleyball team, (front row, from left) True Hackenmiller, Kenly Solberg, Chloe Woods, Lexi McHenry, (back row) Mia Fierova, Hallie Hanson, Lilly Strand, Avarie Skellenger and Ashlyn Skellenger.

Viking volleyball looks to improve record

By Julie Salisbury

The Northwood-Kensett Vikings volleyball team is getting ready for a new season and looks to improve on last year's record. The Vikings were 0-7 in Top of Iowa Conference (east) play and 2-20 overall.

Junior True Hackenmiller returns as an outside hitter/setter. Last season, True had 44 kills and was 134-152 serving with 13 ace serves.

Junior middle hitter Mia Fierova returns this season after recording 34 kills last season and was 58-66 serv-

ing.

Junior Hallie Hanson returns as a middle hitter for the Vikings. Hanson recorded 33 kills last season and 12 blocks and was 60-63 serving.

Senior Ashlyn Skellenger returns as a setter for the Vikings. She had 64 digs last season and was 89-110 serving.

Sophomore Kenly Solberg returns this season as the team's libero/defensive specialist. Solberg had 100 digs last season as a freshman and was 112-125 serving with 18 ace serves.

Also listed on this year's roster are sophomore outside hitter Lilly Strand, sophomore outside hitter Chloe Woods, sophomore right-side hitter Avarie Skellenger and senior defensive specialist/libero Lexi McHenry.

The Vikings get their season underway on Tuesday, August 25, when they travel to play North Butler. On Thursday, August 27, the Vikings will host Riceville and on Saturday, August 29, they will travel to play in the West Central Invitational.



Worth County represented at Showdown

Pictured are the livestock champions from the Worth County Fair who competed at the North Central Iowa Showdown on Saturday, August 8, in Britt. They are (from left) Emilia Nelson (Market Hog), Taylor Foss (Breeding Heifer), Jaxon Arthur (Market Beef), Landen Nelson (Breeding Gilt), Natalie Burns (Market Goat) and Lauren Petznick (Breeding Ewe).

Iowa Cancer Consortium supports caregiver education for families affected by cancer

Family caregiving is a growing responsibility for many Americans. Nearly 39% of U.S. adults provide care for a family member or friend with a chronic health condition. While caregiving can be rewarding, it often brings challenges that may affect caregivers' physical health, emotional well-being and overall life satisfaction.

The need for caregiver support is especially important in Iowa, where cancer continues to affect thousands of families each year. The Iowa Cancer Registry estimates that 21,700 Iowans will be diagnosed with cancer and 6,400 will die from the disease in 2026. More than 175,000 cancer survivors are currently living in Iowa, highlighting the ongoing need for education and support for those providing care to family members and friends.

To help caregivers build skills and confidence, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach is offering Powerful Tools for Caregivers, an evidence-based educational program for family caregivers. Separate workshop series are available for caregivers of adults with chronic conditions and for parents of children with special health and behavioral needs. The program provides practical strategies and resources to help caregivers manage the demands of caregiving while maintaining their own health and well-being.

Thanks to funding from the Iowa Cancer Consortium, caregivers of Iowa cancer survivors may participate in Powerful Tools for Caregivers at no cost.

"The funding helps reduce barriers to caregiver education and support," said Malisa Rader, health and human sciences educator with ISU Extension and Outreach. "The Iowa Cancer Consortium recognizes the important role family caregivers play throughout cancer treatment, recovery and survivorship."

Participants will learn techniques for reducing stress; communicating effectively with care recipients, family members and healthcare professionals; making difficult caregiving decisions; managing emotions related to caregiving and finding and using community resources.

Participants in both programs learn practical skills for self-care, communication and decision-making, while workshop discussions address the unique experiences of each caregiving audience, Rader said.

Caregivers of Adults with Chronic Conditions

Fridays, Sept. 11-Oct. 16, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Register online.

Wednesdays, Jan. 27-March 3, 7-8:30 p.m. Register online.

Parents and Caregivers of Children with Special Health and Behavioral Needs

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pants that caring for themselves is not selfish. It is an essential part of providing quality care for a care recipient."

"With more than 175,000 cancer survivors living in Iowa, the need for caregiver support extends well beyond diagnosis and treatment," said Kelly Wells Sittig executive director of the Iowa Cancer Consortium. "Caregivers are critical partners throughout survivorship, and providing access to evidence-based education can improve quality of life for both survivors and the family members who support them."

"Whether someone is caring for an aging parent, a spouse with cancer or dementia, or a child with special health and behavioral needs, caregivers often face similar challenges balancing their own health and well-being with the demands of caregiving," said Rader. "These programs provide practical tools and support while recognizing the unique experiences of different caregiving situations."

The cost is \$60 per person and includes the Powerful Tools for Caregivers workbook, which is mailed to participants before the series begins. Caregivers of Iowa cancer survivors may participate at no cost through Iowa Cancer Consortium funding using the coupon code CANCERIOWA when registering.

For more information about the program, visit the Health and Human Sciences Extension and Outreach website or contact Rader at mrader@iastate.edu or 515-708-0622.



Worth board members support queen at State Fair

Members of the Worth County Fair Board were at the Iowa State Fair Queen Contest on August 14, to show support for Worth County Fair queen Layla Scarlett as she took part. Pictured are (from left) Kirby Knudtson, Naomi Gudmonson, Scarlett and Scott Severson.

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Lake Mills Community School

**Meeting Minutes
Board of Directors
Lake Mills Community
School District
August 10, 2026**
Regular meeting of the board:
President Ryan Joynt called the regular meeting to order at 5:01 P.M. in the Library—Media Center at 102 South 4th Avenue East, Lake Mills, Iowa, and determined a quorum. The following board members were present: President Ryan Joynt, Vice President Kari Osheim, Jolene Helgeson, Jake Thompson, and Kristin Wempen. No members were absent. Others present included Superintendent Chris Rogne, Secondary Principal Steve Madson, Elementary Principal Connor Kem, Board Secretary Drake Abbey, and guests.

Agenda:
Wempen moved to approve the agenda. Osheim seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.
Administrative and other reports:
Mr. Rogne commented on announcements and celebrations. Kris Singelstad presented information about a proposed community wellness center, including a draft of the floor plans and the estimated cost. Mr. Madson gave a building-level report. Mr. Kem gave a building-level report. Mr. Rogne gave a system-wide report and facilities update.
Consent agenda:
Helgeson moved to approve all items as presented on the consent agenda. Osheim seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

1. Approval of previous minutes
2. Approval of officials
3. Approval of fundraisers
4. Approval of financial reports
5. Approval of committee reports
6. Acceptance of donations: cash donations from John K. and Luise V. Hanson Foundation for grounds upgrades; bullet edgers from Koch Landscapes for grounds upgrades; steel beams from KMA Steel for grounds upgrades; cash donation from Mike Nelson for stencils for field painting
7. Approval of personnel items
 - a. Resignations: Alex Martinson (from middle school football coach)
 - b. New hires, appointments, and adjustments: Alex Martinson (for assistant football coach); Jason Peterson (for middle school football coach); Amanda Reese (adjustment to certified learner assistant); Christine Mondt (for middle school girls' basketball coach); Katelyn Hidalgo (for middle school cheerleading coach for early winter and late winter); Steve Bitter (for night custodian)
8. Approval of open enroll-

ment requests

- a. In: Felicia Butler requests her 10th grader attend from North Iowa; Kendra and Jonathan Folven request their 4th grader and 8th grader attend from Glenville-Emmons
- b. Out: Catherine Pfenning requests her kindergartener, 2nd grader, 4th grader, 5th grader, and 7th grader attend Clarinda; Andrea Martin requests her 9th grader attend Clayton Ridge – Iowa Virtual Academy

9. Approval of partnerships & agreements
 - a. Health clinical experiences with NIACC
 - b. Lease agreement with NIACC for classroom, office, and storage space

Old business:
Thompson moved to approve the second reading of IASB Policy Primer updates. Wempen seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes. The policies related to school finance include 203, 206.03, 206.04, 701.02, 701.03, 701.05, 704.02, 704.03, 705.01, 705.01R1, 705.01R2, 705.04, 705.05, 706.04, 707.01, 708, and 712. The policies related to 2026 legislative updates include 201, 210.05, 401.01, 409.02, 501.15, 502.03, 503.01, 503.11, 503.11R1, 503.11R2, 504.06, 507.02, 507.02E1, 507.02E3, 603.01, 603.03, 603.04, 603.06, 603.10, 604.01, 604.03, 604.03R1, 604.05, 605.04, 605.04E1, 607.01, 713, 804.05, 804.05E1, and 901.

New business:

1. Mr. Madson and Mr. Kem presented changes to their respective building-level handbooks. Osheim moved to approve the PK-5 and 6-12 handbooks as presented. Helgeson seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.
2. Mr. Rogne presented the long-term focus areas, foundation statement, and district vision card. Osheim moved to approve the long-term focus areas, the foundation statement, and the district vision card as a tool to measure our progress. Wempen seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.
3. Board members discussed legislative priorities to submit to IASB. They selected supplemental state aid, teacher recruitment and licensure, mental health, and public school innovation. Osheim moved to approve the four stated legislative priorities to submit to IASB. Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.
4. Helgeson moved to approve the certificate of substantial completion for the high school gym HVAC project. Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.
5. Wempen moved to approve renewal of the catastrophic accident insurance policy.

Helgeson seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.
Presentation and approval of bills:

1. Wempen moved to approve payment of payment application number 4 for the high school gym HVAC project. Helgeson seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.
2. Osheim moved to approve payment of the list of bills as presented. Wempen seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

Next meeting:
The next regular board meeting is scheduled to be held in the Library—Media Center on Monday, September 14, 2026, at 5:00 P.M.

Adjournment:
Helgeson moved to adjourn the meeting. Wempen seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 6:11 P.M.

Ryan Joynt, Board President
Drake Abbey, Board Secretary

List of bills:	
Vendor Name	Description
Amount	
Fund Number10 General Fund	
Albert Lea Newspapers, Inc.,	
Publication.....	48.00
Amazon Prime,	
Supplies	9,468.43
Black Hills Energy,	
Natural gas.....	698.52
BR Bleachers,	
Bleacher inspections	1,750.00
Buzzard Billy's Des Moines,	
Meals.....	65.28
CAM Community School District,	
Open enrollment	4,267.63
Central Rivers AEA,Transfer of	
state funding	42,080.25
Church Offset Printing Inc.,	
Supplies	259.00
City of Lake Mills,	
Utilities.....	9,131.87
Clear Lake Community Schools,	
Tuition	39,403.34
Coloff Digital, LLC,	
Website support	200.00
Dallas Center-Grimes CSD,	
Tuition	4,661.76
David's Foods,	
Supplies	343.17
Des Moines Register #1150, The,	
Subscription	63.01
DHS Cashier 1st Fl,	
Medicaid billing remittance.....	62,997.98
Discount School Supply,	
Supplies	439.93
Don's Motor Mart,	
Fuel	207.00
Edmentum, Inc,	
Courseware renewal	3,744.33
Fiserv,	
Processing fees	261.39
FislerData, LLC,	
Scheduling renewal.....	399.00
Fong's Pizza,	
Meals.....	49.07
Forest City Community School,	
Tuition	126,838.60
Gopher Sport,	
Supplies	182.50
HighLife BaitShop,	

Meals.....	49.11
Hillyard Inc.,	
Supplies	453.00
Holiday Inn Express and Suites	
Des Moines,	
Lodging	1,760.64
Downtown, an IHG Hotel	
Huber Supply Company, Inc.,	
Cylinder rental.....	273.00
Iowa ALTL,	
LCSI training	5,555.00
Iowa Assoc. of School Business	
Officials,	
Membership.....	275.00
ISEBA,	
Insurance	6,765.68
IXL Learning, Inc.IXL site license	
17,587.50.....	
J.W. Pepper & Son, Inc.,	
Supplies	2.85
Jethro's BBQ,	
Meals.....	127.59
Kem, Connor,	
Meal reimbursement.....	16.48
Lake Mills Lumber Company,	
Supplies	25.20
Larson, Linda,	
Supplies, meals, and parking	167.34
Manufacturers Bank & Trust	
Company,	
Bank fees	106.40
Mason City Community School,	
Tuition	24,744.82
Menards - Mason City,	
Supplies	288.09
Mystery Science,	
Mystery Science subscription	
renewal	1,799.00
Nelson Septic Services LLC,	
Services.....	855.00
Next Generation Technologies,	
LLC,	
Monthly support.....	219.00
North Central International LLC,	
Bus repairs	908.98
Northwood Anchor,	
Publication.....	357.90
Northwood-Kensett Community	
School,	
Tuition	2,372.40
Peterson Sanitation, Inc.,	
Trash pickup	740.00
Pioneer Athletics,	
Supplies	8,531.60
Quadient Finance USA, Inc.,	
Postage.....	1,000.00
Ramirez, Alex,	
Services.....	425.00
Retrofit Environmental,	
Recycling.....	704.15
River City Communications,	
Inc.,Quarterly monitoring .	138.00
School Administrators of Iowa,	
Dues	627.00
Schumacher Elevator Company,	
Full maintenance	313.78
Shiffler Equipment Sales, Inc,	
Supplies	104.48
Singelstad Do It Best Hardware,	
Supplies	681.69
Southern Lock & Glass LLC,	
Building repairs	589.80
Stuffed Olive,	
Meals.....	104.37
Trophies Plus, Inc.	
Supplies	842.23
Verizon Wireless,	
Hotspot	40.01
West Music,	
Supplies	148.20

Wex, Inc.,	
Fuel and repairs.....	1,231.90
Winnebago Cooperative Telecom	
Association,	
Telephone and Internet ..	1,206.00
Young Plumbing & Heating,	
Service calls.....	1,731.29
Fund Number 10.....	391,429.54
Fund Number	19
Non-Fiduciary Scholarship Fund	
Central College,	
Scholarship.....	330.74
ISU Financial Aid,	
Scholarship.....	1,629.46
NIACC,	
Scholarships	5,555.73
University of Northern Iowa,	
Scholarship	1,179.29
Upper Iowa University,	
Scholarships	2,466.83
Warburg College,	
Scholarships	1,801.42
Fund Number 19.....	12,963.47
Fund Number	22
Management Levy Fund	
ISEBA,	
Retiree insurance	1,130.07
Lake Mills CSD - Self-Insurance	
Fund,	
Retiree insurance	117.62
Fund Number 22.....	1,247.69
Fund Number	71
Self-Insurance Fund	
Advantage Administrators,	
Services.....	3,390.79
Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield	
of Iowa,	
Annual fee	940.00
Fund Number 71.....	4,330.79
Fund Number 10.....General Fund	
Deluxe,	
Supplies	99.42
Fund Number 10.....	99.42
Fund Number 21	
Student Activity Fund	
Amazon Prime,	
Supplies	264.77
Decker Sporting Goods,	
Supplies	1,341.30
Delger, Josh,	
Officiating.....	180.00
Hanson, Ross,Officiating	45.00
Helgeland, Adam,Officiating.....	165.00
IHSADA,	
Membership dues and convention	
reg.	350.00
Iowa High School Esports	
Association,	
Annual fee	100.00
Iowa HS Baseball Coaches Assoc.,	
Dues	38.00
Larson, Linda,	
Supplies	509.18
North Iowa Officials Association,	
Assigning fees.....	1,000.00
Schipper, Rusty,	
Officiating.....	15.00
Trophies Plus, Inc.,	
Supplies	606.69
Vazquez Perez, Alejandro,	
Choreography	425.00
Fund Number 21	5,039.94
Fund Number 33.....SAVE Fund	
Access Systems Inc.,	
Lease.....	5,136.80
Forest City Ford, Inc.,	
2019 Ford Explorer	20,499.00
Fund Number 33.....	25,635.80
Fund Number.....	36
Physical Plant & Equipment Levy	

Fund,	
4Dock LLC,	
Furniture.....	4,770.60
ACSTAR Insurance Company,	
Project	81,022.94
Apple, Inc.,	
iPads	19,305.00
BlueAlly Technology Solutions	
LLC,	
Fortinet FortiGate 401F UTM	5,999.00
Christianson Interiors, LLC,	
Flooring.....	2,000.00
D&D Sales, Inc.,	
Sign	680.00
Epic Furniture & Install,	
Pads	4,738.33
Jamf Software, LLC,	
Software renewal	2,990.00
Martin Gardner Architecture,	
P.C.,	
Services.....	1,645.00
Meteor Education, LLC,	
Furniture.....	18,832.57
NIACC,	
2026-2027 Hanson Career Center	
.....	8,750.69
Winnebago Cooperative Telecom	
Association,	
Phone system	25,287.00
Young Plumbing & Heating,	
Kitchen drain lines; HVAC fan	
motor.....	6,805.69
Fund Number 36.....	182,826.13
Fund Number.....	10
General Fund	
Fiserv,	
Processing fees	283.47
Fund Number 10.....	283.47

List of officials:
Scott Whitehill,
JJV-JV-V Volleyball, 08/27/2026..
..... \$140.00
Sam Reiter,
JJV-JV-V Volleyball, 08/27/2026..
..... \$140.00
Scott Whitehill,
V Football, 09/04/2026 \$164.80
Official, V Football, 09/04/2026, ..
..... \$150.00
Official, V Football, 09/04/2026, ..
..... \$150.00
Official, V Football, 09/04/2026, ..
..... \$150.00
Official, V Football, 09/04/2026, ..
..... \$150.00
Sandra Tigges,
JJV-JV-V Volleyball, 09/08/2026,
..... \$140.00
Andrea Accola-Sabin,
JJV-JV-V Volleyball, 09/08/2026,
..... \$140.00
Randy Kibbee,
MS Volleyball, 09/10/2026 . \$85.00
Todd Greiman,
MS Volleyball, 09/10/2026 . \$85.00
Chris Suntken,
JV Football, 09/14/2026 .. \$100.00
Tim Fausnaugh,
JV Football, 09/14/2026 .. \$100.00
Karl Wooldridge,
JV Football, 09/14/2026 .. \$100.00
Trevor Thein,
JV Football, 09/14/2026 .. \$100.00
Tom Sullivan,
JV Volleyball, 09/14/2026 \$150.00
Jason Slater,
JV Volleyball, 09/14/2026 \$150.00

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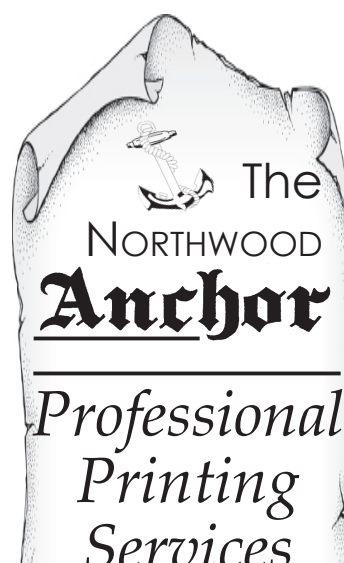
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EB Edits announced as Entrepreneur of the Month of July 2026 by NIACC John Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center and North Iowa Area SBDC

The NIACC John Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center and North Iowa Area SBDC announced Eric Burt of EB Edits in Mason City, Iowa, as the July 2026 Entrepreneur of the Month.

EB Edits provides photography and videography services for sporting events, teams, businesses, organizations, concerts, livestock shows, FFA events, races and community events.

"I do a wide variety of video and photo projects," Eric said. "Initially I got started doing sports photography, videography and that moved to team photography, including work with athlete college signings, posters, banners, team senior banners. The entrepreneurship program at the NIACC Pappajohn Center led me to get into some more event-based videography and it's gone from there."

While sports remain the foundation of Eric's work, each new project has expanded both his experience and the services he provides.

Eric picked up photography as a hobby after his son was born. Wanting a quality camera to document family memories, he soon realized he could also use it to photograph local sporting events. As a high school coach, he already knew coaches, athletes and parents who wanted action photos, so he began taking pictures at games and re-investing every dollar back into better equipment. "I've always had a little bit of a side hustle," Eric said. "I like to make extra money."

One of Eric's first business breakthroughs came from recognizing a gap in the market. While school sports and recreation leagues traditionally offered team photos, many travel sports organizations did not. Seeing an opportunity, he began providing photography for those teams, giving families keepsakes they otherwise would not have received while creating a steady stream of business. As his client base grew, Eric wanted to strengthen the busi-

ness side of his operation. After encouraging many of his own students to participate in entrepreneurship programs through the NIACC John Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center, he realized it was time to take his own advice.

"I kind of did a little self-reflection and thought, maybe you should practice what you preach," he said.

Eric enrolled in the Spring 2024 cohort of Venture School, the University of Iowa's statewide entrepreneurship program offered through the NIACC Pappajohn Center.

In Venture School Eric gained practical guidance on pricing his services, understanding the value of his equipment and experience, and building confidence in



ERIC BURT

his business decisions.

"One of the bigger things was getting pricing figured out, not just coming up with numbers out of thin air,"

he said. "It gave me a ballpark and a way to figure out what my time is worth, what my equipment is worth."

The experience also connected him with fellow entrepreneurs, mentors and business leaders who continue to serve as resources today.

"It pushed me out of my comfort zone," Eric said. "The networking and the people I met in the program has led to so many different jobs. It was also really nice to have a group of people that I could ask questions to who I knew had my back."

To have those people in my corner really built confidence and helped me out big time."

For Eric, entrepreneurship is about more than building a business. It's about creating something meaningful for the people he works with and preserving moments they can revisit for years to come.

"There's nothing better than having somebody watch a video I made and say, 'You captured what I was hoping it would' or 'It exceeded expectations,'" he said. "To be able to do that and then provide that to them and know that it's something they can reflect back on is something I definitely take pride in."

For others considering entrepreneurship, his advice is to start, ask ques-

tions and take advantage of the support available.

"Just go for it," Eric said. "It takes work. But when you're doing something that you enjoy it literally doesn't seem like work." He also encourages entrepreneurs to lean on the relationships they build along the way. "When you're starting something new... you think that kind of you're on your own," Eric said. "But when the class ended, those relationships don't end. You can still go back and ask questions, and you realize that you're not alone."

EB Edits has been working with Central Springs High School for the last couple of years taking team photos, sharing game day photos and senior banners among other things.

Northwood Anchor

Fertile Lutheran Church

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

Bethlehem Lutheran, Manly

Wednesday, Newsletter Deadline, 9 a.m., Grace Circle, 2 p.m.; Thursday, Pastor on Vacation 19-27; Sunday, Grace Worship, 9 a.m., Bethlehem Worship, 10:30 a.m., Make Ice Cream at Bethlehem Following Worship; Monday, WIC at Bethlehem, 9 a.m. - Noon

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Bethany Lutheran Church/Elk Creek Lutheran

Thursday, Manna, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., EC Share Shoppe, 1-4 p.m.; Sunday, Joint Worship Elk Creek, 9 a.m.; Monday, Manna, 10 a.m. - Noon

Linda Johnson Prestholt, Pastor

Trinity United Methodist, Bolan

Sunday, Worship Services, 9:15 a.m., Coffee Fellowship, 10 a.m.

Pastor Cory Allard

Bethel United Methodist Church

Wednesday, Diner, 8:30 a.m.; Thursday, Trinity UWF, 4 p.m., SPRC, 5 p.m.; Saturday, Bethel Rummage Sale; Sunday, Bethel Worship, 8 a.m., Trinity Worship, 9:15 a.m., RR Ag Day Worship at Central Park, 10:30 a.m.; Tuesday, Pastor Circuit Meeting, 1 p.m.

Northwood United Methodist Church

Thursday, Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday, Worship Service, 10:45 a.m., Fellowship, 11:45 a.m.

Rev. Rob Lanphere

One In Christ Lutheran Parish

Sunday, Worship Services 10:30 a.m. available online at "One in Christ Lutheran Parish"

Church

Facebook Page and YouTube under "One in Christ Lutheran Parish." Sunday Worship Services, 10:30 a.m., Silver Lake, 705 Silver Lake Rd., Northwood, 641-293-5556; 9 a.m., Bethany, 201 Franke St., Joice, 641-588-3366; 9 a.m., Lunder, 14982 735th Ave., Albert Lea; 10:30 a.m., Winnebago, 40029 210th Ave., Lake Mills.

First Lutheran Church, Northwood

Wednesday, Maple Court Worship, 2 p.m., SH Youth, 7 p.m.; Thursday, Quilting, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Group, 9 a.m., Cub Scouts, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, Worship Services FLC, 9 a.m., DCV, 10:30 a.m., JH Youth, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, AA-Al-Anon, 7 p.m.

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Fr. Dave O'Connor, Pastor

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Pastor Kent Otterman

First Shell Rock Lutheran Church, Northwood

Sunday, Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.

Pastor Theodore Gullixson

Sion Lutheran Church, Lake Mills

Sunday, Worship Service, 9 a.m. Sunday School and fellowship following

Pastor Mark Decker

Twenties Club

Twenties Club members met Monday, Aug. 10 with 16 members present at the Olson Pavillion. Meeting was called to order by Deanna Luedtke, president, after a delightful meal served by the program committee. Roll call and last meeting minutes were read by Becky Tews, secretary.

A motion by Delores Knudson, to accept the minutes with a second by Carol Kragenbrink. Treasurer, Delores Knudson, reported a balance with all dues being collected. Connie Hogen presented a bill for printing of the program books for \$15.60. A motion by Sandy Olson to accept the treasurer's report with a second by Dianne Roerish. Deb Nagle, Sunshine and Historian, reported she sent a card to Laurie Camarigg, daughter of Rosie Kruger, who recently passed away and was a member of Twenties Club.

In old business, a survey will be given to senior girls to see if we proceed with senior tea and to see what they would like. Sharyl Ferley will do the survey.

In new business, letters will be sent to three potential members. A motion was made by Connie Hogen to proceed with this with a second by Kathy Thrond.

Deanna Luedtke gave some information on a boat tour by the Senior Center in Albert Lea. Sandy Olson also mentioned the women's coffee at the senior center in Northwood on Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m. Also on Friday, Aug. 21 is Senior Citizens Day the senior center will have a free hotdog lunch for the first 80 people.

Connie Hogen went through the program book for the coming year.

Bolan

Providing a special musical message on Sunday at the Bolan Trinity UM Church was Barb DeVries of Nora Springs. There was a brunch served after the service.

The United Women in Faith from Trinity will meet on Monday, August 24 for their regular meeting.

The Twenties Club will deliver Meals on Wheels the week of Sept. 21-25:

Monday, north Sue Cherney and Carol Kragenbrink; south Becky and Henry Tews

Tuesday, north Kathy Thrond and Marcia Price, south Sandy Hyde and Sharon Helgeson

Wednesday, north Dianne Roerish and Marcia Price, south Carol Kragenbrink and Sharon Helgeson

Thursday, north Sandy Hyde and Delores Knud-

son, south Sandy and Greg Olson

Friday, Sharon Helgeson and Connie Hogen, south Becky Hickman and Sharyl Ferley or Dianne Roerish

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Sharyl Ferley and second by Dianne Roerish.

The program committee had asked each member to bring a baby picture of their first year and then members were to try and guess whose baby picture it was.

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The Weight of Invisible Maintenance

Much of our daily living consists of unseen maintenance. The upkeep of our household, consistently showing up for our jobs, and generally managing our personal lives all fall under this category. As these tasks don't come with any immediate, tangible rewards, we may be left thinking our efforts do not matter. Nonetheless, this quiet care is exactly what holds our lives and families together. Remembering this truth allows us to bring a steady faithfulness to the ordinary tasks of life, transforming what sometimes feels like an excessive burden into a meaningful act of service that honors God. — James Stone

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters. — Colossians 3:23 (NIV)

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Cook Bookin'

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

by Sandy Olson



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

The Junior League of DeKalb County, Georgia is a chapter of The Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc. The Junior League is a private, nonprofit educational women's volunteer organization involved in numerous efforts to enhance their communities. There are almost 500 chapters internationally. The DeKalb chapter tells us they are "an organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism and improving the community..." One of many Junior League chapters' fundraising efforts involves some of the most beautifully constructed cookbooks in my library. "Peachtree Bouquet" (1987, Wimmer Brothers, Memphis) is such a book. Southern cooking varies from delicate and subtle to robust. The following are adapted from this eclectic collection.

Parmesan Onion Canapes

- 1 cup real mayonnaise, not "M'whip"
- 1 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/2 cup finely chopped sweet onion
- 1 tablespoon milk
- 1 loaf sliced cocktail bread, lightly toasted.

NOTE: do this on a cookie sheet in a 350 degrees F. until the bread is light brown. This type of cocktail bread is not the rye bread; it is sometimes called "crimp bread". Get a loaf with the smallest diameter slices as this is not a large appetizer.

Combine all the ingredients except the bread, blending well. The mixture can now be refrigerated until ready to use if not making the canapes until just before serving time. When you are about ready to serve, spread the mixture on the toast. Preheat the broiler and place the canapes on a baking sheet. Broil 4-inches from the heat for 2-3 minutes or until golden brown and bubbly. Serve hot or warm.

Corn Salad

NOTE: This salad must be partially prepared ahead in order to chill for at least 4 hours. You can also refrigerate it up to 24 hours ahead of serving, a convenient prep idea.

- 2 cans (14oz. each) whole kernel corn, well drained
- 4 stalks celery, thinly sliced
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon sugar

Juice of 1 large lemon NOTE: if you microwave a lemon for about 20 seconds, then roll

it around on the counter, you will get much more juice from it.

- 3 tablespoons real mayonnaise, not "M'whip"
- 2 tablespoons real sour cream, not low fat
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- Lettuce leaves for serving and paprika for garnish

Combine the drained corn, celery, onion, salt, pepper, sugar and lemon juice in a medium bowl, mixing well. Refrigerate as indicated above. When ready to prepare for serving, drain any liquid from the corn/veggie mixture. Stir in the mayonnaise, sour cream and pecans, combining gently. Spoon the salad onto lettuce leaves on each salad plate and sprinkle with a bit of paprika for color. Serves 8

Pecan-Breaded Chicken

- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves, about 5 oz. each
- 10 tablespoons real butter, divided.
- 3 tablespoons Dijon mustard, divided
- 1 cup ground pecans
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 2/3 cup real sour cream, not low-fat
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper

Preheat the oven to 200 degrees F. NOTE: this is not a typo; the oven will only be used to keep the cooked chicken warm before serving

Flatten the chicken breasts between waxed paper with a meat mallet until about 1/4-inch thick. Melt 6 tablespoons of the butter in a large heavy skillet. Remove from the heat and whisk in 2 tablespoons of the mustard to make a smooth sauce. Dip the chicken breasts into this sauce then coat heavily with the ground pecans. Melt the remaining 4 tablespoons of butter in another large skillet and stir in the oil. Saute the chicken breasts in the oil/butter mixture about 4 minutes on each side. They need to be thoroughly cooked but not dry. Place them into a baking dish to keep warm in the oven. Deglaze the pan with the sour cream, scraping up bits left in the pan. Whisk in the remaining mustard, the salt and pepper. To serve, top each chicken breast with this final sauce.

Readers will notice I always indicate cooking with the real version of ingredients such as butter, vanilla, sour cream etc. When you go to the trouble of making a special meal, use the best ingredients available so the results will be worth the cost and effort. And..that's all she wrote.

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Society



Driven to giving

The American Red Cross Blood Drive on August 13, sponsored by the Northwood Lions Club, resulted in 27 units of donated blood. "It was a good turnout," said blood drive coordinator Bob Perry. "We had a couple of first-time donors, as well as people who came from quite a distance, one couple from Kearney, Nebraska."

End of summer safety

From the Iowa DOT:

As preparations for end of summer and holiday weekend celebrations take shape, planning ahead for a sober ride should be number one on your to-do list. Last year, in the final four weeks of summer, 36 people died on roadways in Iowa; One third of those fatalities were caused by impaired driving. Taking a few extra minutes to arrange a safe and sober ride can literally be a lifesaving decision.

The Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau (GTSB) is partnering with law enforcement statewide to support enforcement efforts aimed at decreasing impaired driving. From August 19-September 7, agencies are participating in the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over high-visibility enforcement project. During this time, the public will see an increased presence of officers working together to remove impaired drivers from the road.

NIACC opens registration for free adult education classes this fall

North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) is now accepting registrations for its free Adult Education & Literacy programs this fall. Adults interested in earning a High School Equivalency (HSE) diploma or improving their English language skills through English as a Second Language (ESL) classes are encouraged to enroll.

NIACC's Adult Education & Literacy programs provide supportive, flexible learning opportunities that help students reach their educational, career, and personal goals.

NIACC's High School Equivalency (HSE) program

prepares students to earn their high school equivalency diploma by building skills in reading, writing, math, science, social studies, and civics. Daytime HSE classes are offered in Mason City, while evening classes are available in Mason City, Charles City, and Hampton.

NIACC's English as a Second Language (ESL) program helps adult learners improve their English speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills. Classes are offered for beginning, intermediate, and advanced English learners and are designed to build confidence for everyday communication, employment, and continued education.

Evening ESL classes are available in Belmond, Charles City, and Mason City.

Registration deadlines are one week prior to each class session. After registering, new students will receive information about the next steps.

NIACC's Adult Education & Literacy programs are offered at no cost to eligible participants.

More information, class schedules, or to register is available by contacting NIACC Adult Education & Literacy at 641-422-4278, emailing AEL@niacc.edu or visiting www.niacc.edu/adulteducation.

Jax Love continues to excel at Central Zones

Jax Love continued his impressive swim season as he represented Team Iowa at Central Zones, held at the University of Minnesota.

Love had the opportunity to compete against some of the best swimmers in the Midwest. The meet brought together 850 young athletes from across nine states. Love delivered an outstanding performance across all six of his events.

He finished first in the 50 Breaststroke, earning the title of Midwest Champi-

on, and second in the 1500 Freestyle. He also placed within the Top 10 in each of his four remaining events. Adding to an already impressive meet, every one of Love's swims was a personal best. His performance in the 50 Breaststroke also earned him a No. 8 ranking in the United States among 12 and under boys.

Jax is the grandson of Daryl and Wanda Love, of Northwood.

Congratulations, Jax, on an outstanding performance at Central Zones!



Photo of Jax Love on the podium for the 50m backstroke.

WCTA board candidate announced

Winnebago Cooperative Telecom Association's (WCTA) Nominating Committee members

Anne Skellenger, Sara Innes, Robert Michaelis, Anita Helland, Ross Schmidt, and Lynn Wasmoen met on Wednesday, August 12.

The Committee nominated a slate of candidates to fill the expiring terms of WCTA Directors

Curt Helland and Shan-an Redinger.

The Nominating Committee named the following members to be on the 2026 ballot: Colin Wittmer of Conger, Minnesota, and Mike Nissen of Hanlontown, Iowa.

WCTA is a member-owned cooperative providing a full range of quality, reliable telecommunication services and products to communities in north-central Iowa and south-central Minnesota.

WCTA members will receive ballots and notices prior to the September 30 Annual Meeting. Members can vote by mail.

The September 30 meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. at the WCTA Corporate Office in Lake Mills, Iowa.

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Special thanks to the citizens of Hanlontown for opening up your space, letting us close roads, and sharing your park, community and home with us. It was an incredible evening and we are so fortunate!

We are already excited for next year. Location TBD

The financial donations that support our efforts to make memories, have an impact, and change lives within Worth County make all the difference for our community impact department.

We cannot thank you enough!

Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Savvy Senior

A caregiver's guide to Medicare

by Jim Miller
Dear Savvy Senior,
I'm taking care of my elderly father who recently had a stroke and have a lot of questions about how Medicare works and what it covers. He's enrolled in original Medicare. Can you help me?
--Caregiving Connie

Dear Connie,
Taking care of a parent after a stroke is hard enough without having to figure out Medicare too. The good news is that understanding the program can make life a lot easier. Knowing what's covered – and what isn't – can help you plan ahead, avoid costly surprises and make sure your father gets the care he needs. Here's a practical guide to get you started.

Medicare basics
One of the best places to start is the official "Medicare & You" handbook. It explains benefits and services in plain language. Medicare mails an updated copy every fall, but you can also view it online at [medicare.gov/medicare-and-you](https://www.medicare.gov/medicare-and-you).

For questions, call Medicare at 800-633-4227 to speak with a representative. They can clarify coverage for doctor visits, hospital stays, home health care, and more.

Your state's State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is another great resource. SHIP counselors provide free, one-on-one counseling to help you understand your coverage, identify cost-saving programs, and answer questions about Medicare. Find a counselor near you at [shiphelp.org](https://www.shiphelp.org) or 877-839-2675.

Caregivers should also create a secure Medicare account at [medicare.gov/account/login](https://www.medicare.gov/account/login). Once your father's account is set up, you can review his coverage, track claims, check the status of medical services and prescriptions, and see which preventive benefits he's eligible for. It's an easy way to stay organized and keep all of your father's Medicare information in one place.

Choosing providers
Medicare also lets you compare providers online at [medicare.gov/care-compare](https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare). You can search for doctors, hospitals, rehab centers, nursing homes, hospice providers, and medical equipment suppliers in your area. This is especially useful after a stroke, when your father may need rehabilitation or specialized care at home.

Covered services
Original Medicare covers many services your father may need, including hospital care, doctor visits, lab tests, and outpatient treatments.

It also covers home health care if your father is homebound, under a doctor's care, and needs part-time skilled nursing or rehabilitation therapy, such as physical, occupational or speech therapy.

Medicare also covers medically necessary durable medical equipment and supplies prescribed by a doctor, including oxygen, wheelchairs, walkers and catheters. Short-term skilled nursing care in a facility may also be covered for up to 100 days after a qualifying hospital stay.

Prescription medications are generally covered through a separate Medicare Part D plan, which helps pay for many outpatient drugs your father may need.

Hospice care is covered for patients with a terminal illness and a life expectancy of six months or less, as certified by a doctor. It includes nursing care, medications for comfort and short-term respite care to give caregivers a break.

However, Medicare generally doesn't pay for long-term custodial care at home, in an assisted living facility or in a nursing home. That means it generally won't cover ongoing help with daily activities like bathing, dressing, eating, using the bathroom or supervision for someone with dementia. Routine dental care, dentures, eye exams for glasses and hearing aids are also not covered.

Cost help
If your father has limited income and resources, check programs that help reduce Medicare costs. Extra Help assists with prescription drug expenses, and Medicare Savings Programs can help pay premiums, deductibles, and coinsurance.

Visit [medicare.gov/basics/costs/help](https://www.medicare.gov/basics/costs/help) or call 800-633-4227 to learn more or check eligibility.

Taking time to understand Medicare can make caregiving a little less stressful. It helps you stay on top of appointments, treatments and equipment needs, while giving you greater confidence that your father is receiving the care and benefits he's entitled to.

Send your questions or comments to questions@savvysenior.org, or to Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070.

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Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Meeting

Sorry, I'm late. I had car trouble.

What kind?
I couldn't make it reach the 160 mph needed to get me here on time.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. I grew up alongside a rural road. We were the last owners of every car we had. They went from us to the junkyard. Our cars were gravel dust with license plates. When it rained, my mother directed us to back the car out of the shed so it could be washed.

I was traveling by shank's pony, which meant I was walking. I was in a small town. I asked a local if there was a park nearby. He told me there was one about two football fields away. I thanked him for giving me a target for my walk. It was a long walk. The small town had one football field. The second football field was in the next town 9 miles away.

State fair

I worked at the Minnesota State Fair for many years, spending a lot of time by the 50,000-gallon fishpond. Big fish full of little fish. After working on the fairgrounds for a few days while surviving on a diet of health foods impaled on a stick, I felt as if I'd plowed the entire 322 acres while walking behind a recalcitrant mule. There were 270,426 people there on one memorable day in 2018. It was cramped and difficult to avoid anyone. Christina Aguilera holds the grandstand attendance record of 22,117. The 10 most often appearing grandstand acts are Alabama (19 times) Garrison Keillor (13) Willie Nelson (11) and The

Beach Boys (11). Teddy Roosevelt gave his famous "Speak softly and carry a big stick" speech at the fairgrounds in 1904. Minnesotans heard it as, "Speak softly and carry deep-fried foods on-a-stick."

County fair

I peeked out from between two large pickup trucks. One of the parked vehicles was big enough to have its own ZIP code. I looked left. I looked right. I was checking for the presence of a wonderful thing—a Kiwanian driving a golf cart. They were there to give people rides around the fairgrounds. I appreciated all the good the Kiwanis do, but I didn't want a ride. I needed to walk.

I've learned

A highway teaches us that no matter where we are, we're in somebody's way.

It's a rare person who leaves the house on the first try. A reminder that car keys are handy for a driver.

Bad jokes department

The worst time to have a heart attack is during a game of charades.

Never let your children shenan. If they shenan once, they'll shenanigan.

I chastised a grandson for saying Jim Morrison was a terrible singer. We don't slam The Doors in our house.

Nature notes

The presence of tiny unidentified flying objects in homes is linked to overripe or rotting fruit, damp soil in houseplants, food scraps, drain residue or standing water. Fruit flies (or vinegar flies) are brown, and hover around overly ripe fruit, open beer or soft drink containers, bread, garbage disposals and trash cans. Phorid flies have several common names, including scuttle flies, sewer flies, humpback flies and coffin

flies. Unlike fruit flies, phorid flies characteristically run short distances before pausing and then abruptly running in another direction. They often run instead of flying away. Adult drain flies are fuzzy, dark or grayish insects covered with hairs. Wings are longer than the body and held roof-like over the body when at rest. Some species hold the wings out to the sides, giving them a moth-like appearance—hence the name "moth fly." They're weak fliers and make irregular, hesitating, short flights. All these insects could be called drain flies since they breed and feed in drains or standing water and eat decaying matter. Fungus gnats are tiny insects hanging around houseplants.

On a sweltering day, when the roar of a crop-dusting airplane drowned out better sounds, a male indigo bunting's voice proclaimed the day's goodness. A helpful mnemonic for remembering his song is "Fire, fire! Where, where? Here, here! See it? See it?" He sang it repeatedly, trying to overcome the plane's noise. The bird sings when many other songbirds have muted.

Damp soil provides more slugs, snails and pillbugs to feed firefly larvae, which means more fireflies for us to see.

The Carolina grasshopper has black hindwings and is commonly found in open, dry and sunny areas where it blends in with the bare ground, earning the nickname "road duster." They look like tiny, parked Tesla Cybertrucks. Males are known for their "crackling" flight sounds, called crepitation.

Meeting adjourned

It should be easier to love than to hate. Be kind.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Reader & Editor:
A Middle-East-Mid-West Connection

Awaking from a night's sleep I made my way from bedroom to kitchen, I greeted Betty, who asked, "Have you seen this morning's e-mails?"

"No, "I said."
She replied, "Darrell Mitchell died!"

Darrell was a fellow pastor in the Iowa United Methodist Conference. I first met Darrell when I was hired as a youth minister for the Mesquakie Presbyterian Church located at their Settlement in Tama, Iowa. Darrell was the protestant chaplain at the Iowa State Juvenile Home in the neighboring community of Toledo. We became good friends.

Darrell was an advocate for peace in the Middle East. He traveled to Palestine and Israel in 1999 studying the conflict between Israel and Palestine. He later received a Social Action Award from the Methodist Fellowship of Christian Action in 2011. He would often write an article for area newspapers on his views of current events in the Middle East. He'd be invited to speak to civic groups and churches including Northwood UMC. He was a great believer in nonviolence. He challenged the dangerous myths that violence brings peace, that security requires division and power

justifies harm. Darrell would eventually write 300 editorials defending this point of view.

I thought to myself, "What would Darrell think of the current situation?"

I don't intend to put my words or thoughts into Darrell's mind, or heart, but I do want to dedicate my thoughts to Darrell in his loving memory.

I would echo similar thoughts. Neither Darrell nor I, if asked, would see anything good in the US-Israel war with Iran and regional States reverberating economically, socially, and politically throughout the world.

Darrell was committed to a life of nonviolence not only as an ethic and ideal, but also as a daily practice.

What can we do in such challenging times? Darrell suggested we can write, we can advocate tirelessly, we can protest non-violently, we can vote and we can hold our leaders accountable.

He felt it important not to lose heart, never to give up hope. In that vein he ran track in college and later ran in the National Senior Games for many years. In 2012, he was inducted into the Iowa Senior Games Hall of Fame. He had enough ribbons and trophies to fill a modest size trophy room in his home. Darrell ran races not to win, but to finish. He lived according

to Phillipians 3:14 "I press toward the goal of the high calling in Christ Jesus," i.e. "The Prince of Peace!" An admirable goal for Christian and non-Christian alike!"

As epilogue, when I retired, Betty and I returned to live in my home town of Lake Mills and participated in the Lake Mills-Northwood United Methodist Charge, where we met fellow members Bob and Verla Perry, who met Darrell and Eileen Mitchell in Gray, Iowa, southwest of Audubon. Bob had taken a teaching Job in Gray and Darrell was appointed pastor of Gray United Methodist Church. The Mitchells and Perrys formed a lasting friendship as many did to whom Darrell met and or was introduced.

My friendship and admiration of Darrel is summed up in the words of Rev. Dr Martin Luther King Jr., who said, "Our lives begin to end when we are silent about the things that matter." Darrell believed it's an important lesson learned and practiced.

P.S. I'm grateful to Bob Perry for granting me the opportunity to interview him and using his name and our shared information with regards to our dear friend Rev. Darrell Mitchell.

Rev. Jerry Robertson, retired
Lake Mills

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Early Files

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Obituaries

100 years ago

August 12, 1926

Northwood citizens had a rare treat Friday night at the Masonic Temple, when they listened to Col. H.A. White as he spoke on the future of our country, the evils that beset us as a nation and gave at length his views of the remedies necessary to correct those evils. The Colonel is a Worth County product, born in Union Township, who has gained distinction and honor as a servant of our government in legal army circles. He said, "I doubt if anyone will seriously contradict the statement that the automobile and the movies have destroyed a portion of our old

75 years ago

August 16, 1951

Pvt. Fred Davidson came last Thursday from Fort Riley, Kansas, and is spending a leave with his mother. Fred leaves Thursday for Baltimore, Maryland, where he will attend the Army school at Holabird Signal Depot. Military policeman Bill Ebert reported last week that he underwent an appendectomy at an Army hospital in Berlin, Germany, where he is stationed. He reported that they must constantly be on alert to deal with riots, demonstrations, etc., fomented by Communist agitators.

50 years ago

August 12, 1976

B&K Builders were low bidders for the upper and lower decks to be added to the Northwood Civic Center, with a bid of \$12,290. The decks will complete the building, as originally designed by architect Duane Chambers. The contract calls for work to be completed as soon as possible within 75 days. Bids were open at a special meeting of the city council on August 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Anderson, Joice, are parents of a son born Aug. 9.

25 years ago

August 15, 2001

Lolita Hammes shows off the sunflower she and Russell Knudson grew for the upcoming kindergarten classes. The sunflower seeds will be used in conjunction with the book "The Tiny Seed" by Eric Carle, to teach the children about art, science and literature. Hammes and Knudson have been gardening Hammes' 1/2 acre plot for approximately 10 years.

Members of the Northwood High School Class of 1941, and spouses, met Thursday, August 9, at the

10 years ago

August 17, 2016

Following the Northwood City Council meeting last Monday night, the entire council visited the site of the new \$8.5 million wastewater treatment plant located on the west side of Highway 65 south of Northwood. Construction crews have completed one of two clarifiers, which measures 47 feet in diameter. The hole in from of it will be the site of the other clarifier. On the right side of the picture are Northwood city council member Roger Rustad and city superintendent Craig Toft.

home life."

Peritonitis, following an operation for appendicitis, caused the death of Lloyd K. Thompson, 20, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis J. Thompson of Northwood.

S.O. Vold is back on the job as county recorder after an absence of two weeks, on what he says is the first vacation in years. He and Mrs. Vold enjoyed an outing at Clear Lake during most of the vacation time.

Orland Tenold, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tenold, of the Tenold store in Brookfield Township, had a broken bone in one toe and received a bad cut on his foot when he fell from the bicycle he was riding and caught his foot in the chain and sprocket wheel. He was brought to Northwood where the broken bone was set and the wound

Major Marshall Lindquist, Army medical service officer, was recently promoted to his present rank when he returned from Korea, at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M.E. Lindquist, Kensett. He is a veteran of nine years of Army service, serving four years overseas in Korea and during World War II.

A half mill levy by the state will be made on all tangible personal and real property next year to be used for interest and principal on the state soldiers bonus bonds. The valuation of property in the county last year was \$21,793,961, so the total amount of the tax to be taken from Worth County is estimated at about \$11,000.

A contract for building a

dressed.

Last spring's fire that destroyed the Grafton school building was a blessing to that community in that it resulted in obtaining a new, modern fire-proof equipment for that city. Workmen have the new structure well underway at present and it is expected that the building will be ready for occupancy about December 1.

Five boys and two girls won high places in Tuesday's boys and girls stock judging contests. Harold Backhaus and John Bartlett of Lincoln, and Gladys and Milborn Furness and Orrin Kittleson of Fertile, Milo Pangburn of Kensett and George Stocker, Jr. of Lincoln, ranked highest among the 17 boys and girls who took part.

three stall hollow tile garage for county road equipment at Fertile has been awarded to Les Nelson, Fertile. The 40x42 foot building is to be completed by November 15. Mr. Nelson's bid was for \$5,000. With the completion of this garage at Fertile and a similar one at Northwood, being built by Leo Dralla, facilities for housing all county road equipment will be finished.

Sgt. and Mrs. LaVon Hove, who are stationed at Camp Rucker, Ala., visited last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hove in Northwood and with area relatives. Sgt. Hove left Friday for Camp Stoneman, Pittsburg, Calif., and from there expects to leave for Japan.

1,441 pounds. He won in a drawing from three correct guesses.

Students from Worth County named to the spring semester Dean's List at the University of Northern Iowa were Barbara and Mary Gordon, Debra Thompson and Thomas Vorland, Northwood, and Diana Tapscott Groe, Manly.

Bob Helgeson, Lake Mills, repeated as the winner of the Northwood Country Club Invitational Golf Tournament Sunday with a three-round score of 96. Helgeson posted a 30 for his final nine holes. Second was Ellis Bennet, Albert Lea, with 101 and Al Paulis, Mason City was third with 105.

also received additional money through grants she applied for.

N-K head football coach Dave Capitani and his staff welcomed 62 boys to the opening practice of the 2001 season here Monday morning. That number included 18 seniors, 14 juniors, 14 sophomores and 16 freshmen, and 21 lettermen.

N-K head coach Brenda Steinman had a lot to be happy about Monday at the first practice of the 2001 volleyball season. That included 24 N-K High girls who participated in the opening drills of pre-season practice and assistant coach Connie Low's return to the Viking fold following one season away from the program.

Junior 4-H Judging team was named grand champion of their division with Austin Foss competing for champion 4-H individual in the contest and the senior team finishing in fifth place overall.

Football and volleyball season is coming fast. Both sports will be having a scrimmage on Friday, August 19. Volleyball starts at 4:30 p.m. in the high school gym. The N-K Booster Club will be hosting a meal. Following the volleyball game the football team will start at 7 p.m.

The fourth annual "Ride for Ryan" will be held on Saturday, August 20. Riders and people who want to participate should meet at the Shade Tree bar for registration.

Northwood Anchor

Roger Clagett

Roger Dale Clagett, 99, of Kensett, passed away peacefully on Monday, July 27, 2026, at the Lutheran Retirement Home in Northwood.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 29, 2026, at Bethany Lutheran Church, Kensett, with Pastor Linda Johnson Prestholt officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will take place at Kensett Cemetery with his wife, Lavonne.

Roger was born on January 17, 1927, on a farm in Mower County, Minnesota, the son of Roy and Marie (Jaspers) Clagett. When Roger was young, the family moved to a farm near Bolan, Iowa. After losing their home in a fire, they relocated to a farm near Kensett, where Roger grew up. He attended a one-room country school before graduating from Kensett High School in 1945. While in school, Roger played basketball and baseball, performed in the high school band playing the tuba, en-



ROGER CLAGETT

joyed singing and participated in many school and community events.

After graduation, Roger joined his father on the family farm. On Saturday evenings, he enjoyed going dancing, especially at the Surf Ballroom. It was there he met Lavonne Aves. The two were married on May 9, 1948, and spent 74 wonderful years together. They were blessed with two children, Wendy and Steven.

Roger was an active member of Bethany Lutheran Church throughout

his life, serving in many leadership roles. He also sang in the choir for more than 60 years and participated in the Kensett Variety Show many times. Roger served for nine years on the St. Ansgar School Board and on the Grafton Elevator Board. He was a longtime member of the Worth County Saddle Club and enjoyed trail rides almost every Sunday.

Roger is survived by his son, Steve Clagett of Northwood; grandchildren, Joe (Greta) Kochevar of Ashland, Wis., Dave Kochevar of Alaska, Tom (Mel) Clagett of Northwood and Reid Clagett of Nashville, Tenn.; great-grandchildren, Moura and Lars Kochevar and Audrey and Graham Clagett; along with other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lavonne; his daughter, Wendy Kochevar and her husband, Marty; his daughter-in-law, Mary Clagett; two brothers; and his parents.

Memorials may be directed to Roger's family.

Northwood Anchor

Legal

Supervisors

August 10, 2026
Thirty-third Day
The Worth County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment with Enos Loberg, Mark Smeby and A.J. Stone, present. All members voting "AYE" unless noted.
Meeting called to order by Loberg, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve today's agenda and August 3, 2026 minutes. Motion carried.
Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve claims in the amount of \$733,294.88 per the following schedule. Motion carried.

Access Systems Leasing,
Service-Dap Eng & Asr... 1,071.07
Activated Insights,
Service-Phd..... 197.88
Agvantage Fs Inc,
Fuel-Eng..... 6,301.97
Ahlers & Cooney, P.C.,
Service-Gsr..... 150.00
Alliant Energy,
Service-Vaf..... 185.71
Amazon Capital Services,
Supplies..... 12,226.81
Arrowhead Forensics,
Service-Shf..... 142.06
At&T Mobility,
Service-It/Gis..... 342.24
Austin Office Products,
Supplies-Shf..... 27.73
Bauer Built Tire Inc,
Service-Eng..... 6,333.86
Bcn Telecom,
Service-Gsr..... 191.76
Bmc Aggregates Llc,
Rock-Eng..... 171,656.64
Brian M. Kuchay, Md,
Ems Contract..... 100.00
Brightree Home Health & Hospice Llc,
Service-Phd..... 3,518.44
Carquest Auto Parts Inc,
Supplies-Con..... 1,145.53
Central Tank Coatings, Inc,
Service-Wat..... 20,000.00
City Of Carpenter,
Rutf-Eng..... 27.11
City Of Fertile,
Rutf-Eng..... 1,787.17
City Of Grafton,
Rutf-Eng..... 1,013.88
City Of Hanlontown,
Rutf-Eng..... 441.92
City Of Joice,
Rutf-Eng..... 1,216.13
City Of Kensett,
Rutf-Eng..... 563.48
City Of Manly,
Service-Eng..... 58.48
City Of Northwood,
Service-Gsr..... 675.69
Cnh Industrial Capital,
Service-Con..... 143.92
Core & Main Lp
Supplies-Eng..... 3,055.78
Department Of Inspections,
Appeals & Licensing,
Renewal-Eng..... 80.00
Department of Veterans Affairs,
Service-Phd..... 400.00
Des Moines Stamp Mfg Co,
Supplies-Shf..... 64.15
Dick's Place Body & Tow,
Service-Shf..... 180.00
Eilertson Repair,
Service-Con..... 574.97
Electric Pump Inc,
Service-Wwt..... 3,000.00
Eurofins Test America,
Service-San..... 410.00
Falkstone Llc,
Rock-Eng..... 147,325.30
Farm & Home Publishers, Ltd,
Supplies-San..... 495.60
Five Star Cooperative,
Supplies-Eng..... 30.17
Forest City Ford, Inc,
Service-Shf..... 83.95
Frank Stearns,
Service-Mex..... 500.00
Freeborn County Coop Oil,
Fuel-Eng..... 34,913.35
Greve Law Office,
Rent & Payroll-Aty..... 7,505.50
Heartland Asphalt Inc,
Supplies-Eng..... 870.46
Heartland Business Systems, Llc,
Service-Dap..... 110.00

Heartland Power Coop,
Service-Wwt..... 2,943.02
Huber Supply Co Inc,
Supplies-Eng..... 336.55
I35/105 Welcome Center Inc.,
Fy27 July H/M Tax-Ndp. 3,372.41
Ia Prison Industries
Supplies-911..... 20,175.00
Ia State University,
Edu-Eng..... 200.00
Imwca,
Wk Comp Prem-Ins..... 10,342.00
Iowa Communications Network,
Service-Dap..... 825.00
Ip Pathways,
Service-Dap..... 5,840.25
J Robert Hopson Inc,
Service-Ndp..... 1,000.00
Jj's Hardware,
Supplies-Gsr..... 4.79
Lawson Products Inc,
Supplies-Eng..... 628.87
Lexisnexis,
Service-Aty..... 244.00
Mason City Glass Service,
Service-Gsr..... 2,619.97
Napa Auto Parts,
Supplies-Eng..... 78.39
Nelson Family Trust,
Rent-Shf..... 300.00
Northwood Sanitation Llc,
Service-Gsr..... 481.50
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc,
Service-Gsr..... 217.35
Police Legal Sciences Inc,
Supplies-Shf..... 2,836.00
Professional Office Services,
Service-Trs..... 447.52
Reserve Account,
Postage-Aud & Sup..... 513.15
S&H Environmental Services Llc,
Service-Wat & Wwt..... 20,820.85
Shane Batton,
Service-Gsr..... 325.00
Shi International Corp,
Supplies-Dap..... 683.98
The Timbers,
Election-Aud..... 100.00
T-Mobile,
Service-Shf..... 1,903.32
Trading Post,
Parts-Eng..... 192.97
Treadmark,
Supplies-Con..... 906.00
Truck Center Companies,
Parts-Eng..... 126.00
Tyler Technologies Inc,
Service-Dap..... 10,840.31

U S Postal Service,
Postage-Aud..... 304.00
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc,
Service-Cap..... 187,287.09
Vestis,
Service-Eng..... 121.48
Webster Co Auditor,
Fy27 Dues-Cta..... 530.09
Wex Bank,
Service-Tra..... 1,704.25
Winnebago Coop Telephone Assn,
Service-Gsr..... 3,835.73
Winn-Worth BetoCo,
Fy27 July H/M Tax-Ndp. 5,058.61
Worth Co Historical Society,
Fy27 July H/M Tax-Ndp. 3,372.41
Worth County Engineer,
Fuel-Shf..... 6,910.19
Worth County Fair,
Fy27 July H/M Tax-Ndp. 5,058.61
Ziegler Inc,
Parts-Eng..... 689.51

Grand Total..... 733,294.88
Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve the sheriff's monthly report. Motion carried.

Motion Smeby/Second Stone to approve the payroll eligibility verification for Steven Butler at \$60,000.00 effective 08/17/2026 as the Facility Maintenance Coordinator submitted by the Board of Supervisors. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve the agreement between Worth County and Gardiner + Company, PC to perform the annual audit of the County for the years ending June 30, 2027, through June 30, 2031. Motion carried.

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to approve Resolution 2026-25 Approving Treasurer's Deputy Appointment. Roll call: AYES Smeby, Stone, Loberg. Motion carried. (Full text of resolution available in auditor's office).

Motion Stone/Second Smeby to adjourn at 9:03 A.M. Motion carried.

Jacki A. Backhaus,
Auditor
Enos Loberg
Chairperson



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A constructive day

In July, the Lake Mills Library held a "Construction Day." After storytime they put their creativity and construction skills to use to make a some impressive creations.

Winnebago to relocate Lake Mills production

Last week, Winnebago Industries announced that it would be taking strategic actions to optimize manufacturing and enhance efficiency. That included moving production from its facility in Lake Mills.

Winnebago announced the move as a part of manufacturing adjustments of two RV brands. That includes the B-Van motorhome product line. The production of the line will move from Lake Mills to the company's primary manufac-

turing facility in Forest City, "bringing key manufacturing functions together in a single complex and strengthening coordination across the business."

"For the Winnebago motorhome business, bringing more of our manufacturing expertise together in Forest City creates a stronger operating foundation and better positions us for the future," said Chris West, president of the Winnebago brand. "By combining talent, production

capabilities and key manufacturing functions in one location, we can improve coordination, strengthen execution and continue delivering the quality and innovation our dealers and customers expect."

In a news release, the company said the transition would take place over the next several months, and that business will continue seamlessly for dealers and customers.

Lake Mills volleyball looks for senior leadership

By Julie Salisbury

The Lake Mills Bulldogs volleyball team will look to their seniors for leadership this season as they hope to win another Top of Iowa Conference (west) title. The Bulldogs finished 8-0 last season in conference play and were 26-11 overall.

Senior Makenzie Budach returns this season as an outside/middle hitter. Last season Budach had 291 kills, 32 blocks, 183 digs and was 277-302 serving with 30 ace serves.

Senior Regan Eastvold returns as a setter/defen-

sive specialist for the Bulldogs. Eastvold had 645 assists last season to go along with 64 kills, 197 digs and she was 183-207 serving with 42 ace serves.

Senior Tori Sterrenberg returns as a middle/right side hitter. As a junior she recorded 95 kills and 46 blocks for the Bulldogs.

Senior Cora Sauer returns as an outside hitter/defensive specialist. Last season Sauer had 135 kills, 192 digs and was 169-181 serving with 19 ace serves.

Senior Hayden Wempen returns as a middle/right side hitter. Wempen was

16-17 serving last season with three ace serves.

Others on the roster according to Bound, are sophomore Ari Stensrud, sophomore Betsy Byars, junior Faith Stene, junior Afton Dean, junior Halle Peterson, sophomore Liz Oldencamp and junior Alana Throne.

The Bulldogs start their season with a home match against North Iowa on Thursday, August 27, followed by a tournament on Saturday, August 29 at Bondurant Farrar.

Lake Mills

News Sports

Annual breakfast welcomes LMCS staff back to school

The staff at Lake Mills schools began their school year on Monday with the annual Back-to-School Breakfast.

Staff were treated to food and gift baskets, coordinated by school board members and the Lake Mills Chamber Development Corporation.

Lake Mills grad Kyle Peterson was the guest speaker at the breakfast, sharing words of inspiration, funny memories and encouragement for the school year ahead.

The breakfast also included time to recognize staff for their years of service and dedication to Lake Mills schools and the community.

"Their loyalty, passion and ongoing commitment to Lake Mills Community Schools are what make the district so special."



Back to School breakfast guest speaker Kyle Peterson. LMCS class of 2008



LMCS Legends recognized for 30 or more years of service



LMCS Hall of Fame, those that have 21-30 years of service in education at LMCS



LMCS All Stars, 11-20 Years of Service in Education at LMCS



LMCS Rookies, 1-10 Years of Service in Education at LMCS

Briefs

Lake Mills man killed in Interstate crash

In the morning of August 11, a Lake Mills man was killed when his vehicle left the road on Interstate 35 in Freeborn County in Minnesota.

According to a crash report from the Minnesota State Patrol, Joshua David Scott, 38, of Lake Mills, was driving north on Interstate 35 in Freeborn County, when his pickup left the roadway and entered the median, resulting in his death.

The Freeborn County Sheriff, Albert Lea Police and fire and Mayo Clinic Ambulance responded at the scene.



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Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT OF WORTH COUNTY
EQUITY NO: EQCV013086
ORIGINAL NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Idaho Housing and Finance Association
Plaintiff,
vs.
Unknown heirs, devisees, creditors, and other claimants with an interest in the property of Michael E. Meyerhofer, Deceased; Amy Kathryn Jacobson; Brandon Peter Jacobson; Ryan Robert Jacobson; Parties in Possession; State of Iowa, Department of Revenue; Unknown Spouse, if any, of Amy Kathryn Jacobson; Unknown Spouse, if any, of Brandon Peter Jacobson; Unknown Spouse, if any, of Michael E. Meyerhofer; Unknown Spouse, if any, of Ryan Robert Jacobson, et al.

Defendants.

You are notified that a petition has been filed in the office of this court naming you as a defendant in this action. The petition was filed on June 4, 2026, and prays for foreclosure of Plaintiffs Mortgage in favor of the Plaintiff on the property described in this notice and judgment for the unpaid principal amount of \$31,078.27, with 4.375% per annum interest thereon from November 1, 2025, together with late charges, advances and the costs of the action including (but not limited to) title costs and reasonable attorney's fees, as well as a request that said sums be declared a lien upon the following described premises from July 13, 2015, located in Worth county, Iowa:

The East Eleven (11) feet of Lot Twenty-eight (28) and all of Lots Twenty-nine (29) and Thirty (30), and the West Eleven (11) feet of Lot Thirty-one (31), in Block Eleven (11), Mitchell's Addition to Manly, Worth County, Iowa, commonly known as 326 E Main St, Manly, IA 50456 (the "Property")

The petition further prays 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 deems just and equitable. For further details, please review the petition on file in the clerk's office. The Plaintiffs attorney is Arlet Costilla, of SouthLaw, P.C.; whose address is 4601

Westown Pkwy, Suite 250, West Des Moines, IA 50266.

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 a written demand with the court to delay the sale. If you file a written demand, the sale will be delayed until six months (or three months if the petition includes a waiver of deficiency judgment) from the entry of judgment if the mortgaged property is your residence and is a one-family or two-family dwelling or until two months from entry of judgment if the mortgaged property is not your residence or is your residence but not a one-family or two-family dwelling. 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 September 29, 2026, and within a reasonable time thereafter, you must file your motion or answer with the Clerk of Court for Worth County, at the county courthouse in Northwood, Iowa. If you fail to respond, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

If you require the assistance of auxiliary aids or services to participate in a court action because of a disability, immediately call your District ADA Coordinator at 641-494-3611. If you are hearing impaired, call Relay Iowa TTY at 1-800-735-2942.

This case has been filed in a county that utilizes electronic filing. You may find more information and general rules governing electronic filing in Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16. You may find information concerning protection of personal information in court filings in Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16, Division VI.

By: CLERK OF THE ABOVE COURT

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N-K School

The Northwood-Kensett Board of Directors met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, August 13, 2026 at the Administrative office at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Bradley Christianson, Jamie Nelson, and Shana Brunsold

Absent: Cindy Byrne and Naomi Gudmonson

Also present: Superintendent Tony Hiatt and Board Secretary Kim Hengesteg Elementary Principal Brian Costello; Secondary Principal Keith Fritz and Kris Kenison Northwood Anchor

(3-0) approve the Agenda for Thursday, August 13, 2026

Recognition of Visitors/Public Comments: None

Reports:

Elementary Principal: 1) Registration update 2) Thank you to Nelson family for donating the shed for preschool toys 3) Patenting Meeting in collaboration with the extension office K-2, Sept 10th and Sept 15th 4) Thank you to the football players & Cade Hengesteg for spreading the mulch on the playground.

Secondary Principal: 1) 8th graders process for playing up at the high school sports participation level 2) Screen time – not allowing middle school students to take their school-owned laptop home

Superintendent: 1) Welcome Back staff will be returning on August 18 and first day with students on August 24th 2) IASB conference for board members scheduled on November 18-20 3) Thank you to the Worth County Conservation and Owen Burrack for leading summer camps at the Ramsey Nature Center.

School Board: Next regular school board meeting on Thursday, September 10, 2026 at 6:00 pm

Consent Agenda

(3-0) to approve the Consent Action Items which included the following:

- Minutes from the July 9, 2026 Regular Board meeting
- August Bills for payment
- July 2026 Financial Report
- Approve Ashley Smith – Elementary Part-time Custodian @ \$16.25/hour
- Ethan Welch – Secondary Special Ed Teacher @ \$50,000
- Ethan Welch – JH Football Coach
- Elizabeth Ludvik – Secondary Cook @ \$16.75/hour
- Rich Beck – Director of Building and Grounds, Annual Salary \$56,000
- Accept Resignation Steve Butler Director of Buildings and Grounds
- Approve Jesus Renteria – Volunteer Coach JH Football
- Open Enrollment out as presented in the packet

Old Business:

Elementary Roof Project – Project will be completed before the kids come back

New Business:

(3-0) approve fundraisers for school year 2026-2027 as presented in the packet.

(3-0) to approve Preschool, Elementary School, Middle School and High School Handbooks as well as Coaches Handbook and Employee Handbook for 2026-2027.

City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on August 10, 2026 at 6:00 pm with Mayor Moehle presiding and the following council members present:

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

Motion to approve the agenda. Unanimous.

Motion to approve the following under Consent Agenda: Meeting Minutes of July 27, 2026; Treasurer Report; Liquor License Renewal-Liquid Library; Claims as follows:

Payable to: For: Amount

Principal, Insurance.....\$706.20

NSB, Monthly ACH Fee\$20.00

Fallgatters, Pool Resale\$42.88

Iowa Dept of Revenue, Sales Tax\$1,035.24

Iowa Dept of Revenue, WA Excise Tax\$1,673.65

Payroll, Wages.....\$23,769.97

Payroll, Pool Wages\$8,068.17

Verizon Wireless, Cell Phone/Router-tr.fld.....\$107.09

Visa, Expenses, Supplies-cc.pool\$1,096.13

Wellmark BCBS, Insurance.....\$786.60

Wellmark BCBS, Insurance.....\$9,267.96

Heartland Asphalt, Street Overlay\$334,846.00

Alliant Energy, Utilities.....\$17,048.08

USPS, Mailing-cc\$420.55

Payroll, Wages.....\$27,201.48

Payroll, Pool Wages\$8,926.43

Ace Professional Cleaning, Services-cc\$50.00

Amber Julseth Mileage & Expenses-cc\$57.64

Badger Meter, Services-pw.....\$1,216.32

Brick Gentry, PC, Legal Services-cc\$300.00

Carquest, Supplies-pw\$1,327.59

Cooley Pumping, Portables-rec.....\$57.50

Core & Main, Supplies-pw\$833.02

Croell, Supplies-pw\$1,323.00

Doug Moehle, Mileage/Expenses.....\$58.73

Eilertson Repair Tire Repair-pw\$57.52

Elaine Meyer Water Deposit Refund-cc...\$25.00

Electric Time, Clocks Parts.....\$2,995.00

Fallgatters Market, Supplies-pool\$34.65

Garrett Thompson, Water Deposit Refund-cc..\$130.00

Floyd & Leonard, Supplies-pw\$68.70

Hawkins, Inc., Chemicals, Chlorine-pool,wa\$9,724.25

Huber Supply, Supplies-pw\$60.45

IA DNR, Permit-pw\$210.00

Iowa One Call, Services-pw.....\$27.00

Iowa Prison Industries, Supplies-cc,pw\$920.26

JJ's Hardware, Supplies-pw.pool\$1,037.31

J & J Welding, Supplies-pw\$1,796.73

John Deere Financial, Freight, Supplies-pw.....\$288.30

Knutson Oil, Fuel-pw,tr.....\$5,435.75

Larry Pump, CPA, Direct Tax Claim.....\$1,100.00

Mason City Glass, Glass for Clock\$281.08

Mircobac, Testing-pw\$1,124.00

Mitch Huflalin, Tree Removal-pw\$2,100.00

Northwood Anchor, Publications.....\$177.16

Northwood Chiropractor, DATA\$95.00

Northern Lights Dist., Supplies-pool\$2,244.73

Northwood Sanitation, Services.....\$11,426.00

Northwood Senior Donation, Monthly Donation\$800.00

Pepsi, Supplies-pool\$632.21

Plunkett's Pest Control, Olson Room.....\$105.14

Proline Dist., Supplies-pw\$230.66

Simmering-Cory/Iowa Codification, Ord. No. 204\$117.00

Storey Kenworth, Supplies-cc.....\$476.10

Rustic Thread, Shirts-pw\$558.00

Titan Machinery, Supplies-pw\$628.10

VanDiest Supply Comp, Supplies-pw\$1,695.23

WCTA, Phone/Internet\$750.30

Worth Co. Engineer , Fuel-pd.....\$1,362.04

Worth Co. Public Health, Inspection-pool\$345.00

Worth Co. Sheriff, Law Enforcement\$38,628.50

Worth Lumber Co., Supplies-pw\$1,764.91

Library: Alliant Energy, Utilities\$408.14

Visa, Supplies\$218.65

Marco, Services\$90.72

Center Point Large Print, Materials\$162.32

Ace Professional Cleaning, Services\$60.00

Ingram Library Services, Materials\$1,249.24

Summary of July 2026 receipts by fund type: General - \$150,033.68; Special Revenue-\$66,626.46; Debt Service - \$0; Capital Projects-\$0; Enterprise- \$115,259.88; Trust & Agency - \$0.

People's Right to Know

SUPPLY, supplies 396.90

DEMCO, INC, supplies 119.10

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

TSA fees 600.00

EILERTSON REPAIR

Auto Repair Shop 190.00

Energy Association of Iowa Schools

Randon Training 500.00

EPS Operations LLC

supplies 162.75

FLINN SCIENTIFIC

supplies 912.13

GOPHER, supplies..... 4,372.75

GREAT LAWN SERVICES LLC

Lawn Care 691.00

Happy Numbers, Inc

Instructional Supplies 370.00

Hertel Custom Builders LLC

Services 150.00

Hiatt, Tony

Conference Reimbursements..... 239.25

Iowa Department of the Blind

Instructional Supplies 230.74

Iowa Water Management Company, boiler service 235.50

J.W. PEPPER & SON, INC,

supplies 409.73

JJ's Hardware

supplies 1,085.81

Johnson, Alisha, FCCLA .. 349.05

Kendall Hunt Publishing Co

supplies 10,140.32

LAKE MILLS CSD

Special Ed Billing..... 10,499.40

LEARNING A-Z

Instructional Supplies 150.00

MANKATO CONTROL SYSTEMS, repairs..... 7,743.80

MARTIN BROTHERS

Supplies 626.25

MASON CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Special Ed Billing..... 11,207.24

Mason City High School

2nd Semester billing/Spec Ed..... 27,033.31

MATH LEARNING CENTER, THE

Instructional Supplies .. 3,718.00

MCGRAW-HILL SCHOOL EDUCATION HOLDINGS

TEXTBOOKS 10,482.03

MENARDS, SUPPLIES..... 88.32

Mid-American Research Chemical Corp, Supplies 868.91

MIDWEST ALARM SERVICES

Inspections..... 196.80

MIDWEST BUS PARTS, INC

Supplies 109.98

Mystery Science

Instructional Supplies .. 1,999.00

N-K ELEMENTARY OFFICE

Petty Cash 36.17

NASP, INC, supplies..... 122.00

NORTHWOOD ANCHOR

PUBLICATION..... 229.04

NORTHWOOD ELECTRIC

ELECTRICAL SERVICES 1,120.00

NORTHWOOD SANITATION

garbage 650.00

One Source Background Check Company

background checks 69.00

ORIENTAL TRADING COMPANY, supplies 29.97

PERMA BOUND BOOKS

BOOKS 1,913.36

Piper Sandler & Co.

financial services..... 2,000.00

Plank Road Publishing Inc

Supplies 172.60

R80 LLC, Supplies..... 71.00

REALLY GOOD STUFF, LLC

Instructional Supplies 506.85

SCHILLING SUPPLY COMPANY, Supplies..... 1,945.38

SCHOLASTIC MAGAZINES

Instructional Supplies 329.67

supplies 138.43

SCHOOL SPECIALTY LLC

supplies 863.74

Staples Business Credit

supplies 6,678.60

Summit Fire Protection

Inspections / Fee's 535.00

TEACHER DIRECT

supplies 1,037.76

Thofson Plumbing & Heating

repairs 163.90

TRADING POST

supplies 130.97

Trane US Inc, repairs ... 17,582.27

VISA, Supplies 1,769.00

WINNEBAGO COOPERATIVE

TELECOM ASSN

phone/internet service 856.23

WORTH COUNTY ENGINEER

diesel/gas 860.33

Worth Lumber Company

supplies 9.80

JOHNSON FITNESS & WELLNESS, EQ Supplies..... 581.00

IOWA CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Scholarship.. 2,500.00

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, Scholarship ... 1,000.00

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA, THE

Scholarship 1,000.00

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA, Scholarship 2,500.00

Upper Iowa University

Scholarship 1,000.00

WARTBURG COLLEGE

Scholarship 2,000.00

Fund Number 10 \$271,374.03

Agile Sports Technologies dba Hudl 10,000.00

Amazon Capital Services

Supplies 134.88

ANDERSON'S, supplies 202.10

BMI, licensing 320.47

Brink Sportswear LLC

sports apparel..... 980.00

BSN Sports, supplies 3,125.22

Byrne, Cynthia, Supplies... 350.00

DECKER SPORTING GOODS

sports apparel 429.00

ELITE SPORT

Supplies 323.00

Farmers New Ag, LLC

Supplies 2,493.17

Fausnaugh, Brian

Due/Fee's 38.00

Iowa FFA Association

Due/Fee's 355.00

Iowa High School Athletic Directors Association

membership 550.00

Jackson, Ashley

choreography 1,000.00

Music in Motion, DJ..... 550.00

North Iowa Officials Association

Association Fee's 1,000.00

Rieman Music, Inc

supplies 165.00

VISA, supplies..... 1,499.97

WENGER CORPORATION

supplies 10,323.58

Fund Number 21 \$33,839.39

ACCESS SYSTEMS INC

copier lease 2,249.70

Benefit Coordinators Corp

software service 2,228.00

Koopman Roofing Inc

service 775.91

MID-WEST ROOFING COMPANY, Repairs 300,474.96

TimeClock Plus

time clock system 336.00

Fund Number 36 \$306,064.57

Amazon Capital Services

Supplies 319.00

FALLGATTER'S MARKET

Supplies 80.16

GlacierGrid Inc, Fee's 25.50

Fund Number 61 \$424.66

Legal

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY

Case No.: ESPR009519

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KENNETH FRANCIS PRAZAK Deceased

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Kenneth Francis Prazak, Deceased, who died on or about June 27, 2026:

You are hereby notified that on July 30, 2026, the Last Will and Testament of Kenneth Francis Prazak, deceased, bearing date of September 3, 2008, was admitted to probate in the abovenamed court and that Regina Rae Haley and Michael Francis Prazak have been appointed Executors 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 of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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

Dated July 30, 2026.

Regina Rae Haley
and Michael
Francis Prazak
Co-Executors of Estate

David A. Grooters,
ICIS#: AT0003058
Attorney for Executors
Pappajohn, Shriver, Eide
& Nielsen P.C.
103 East State Street,
Suite 800, PO Box 1588
Mason City, Iowa 50402-1588
Date of second publication
the 19th day of August 2026.

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Attorney for estate:
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50402-0679
jplander@iabar.org

Date of second publication:
August 26, 2026
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TRUST NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE Roger D. Clagett TRUST

To all persons regarding Roger D. Clagett, deceased, who died on or about July 27, 2026. You are hereby notified that Steven R. Clagett is the Trustee of the Roger D. Clagett Revocable Trust U/A dated June 12, 2018. Any action to contest the validity of the trust must be brought in the District Court of Worth County, Iowa, within the later to occur of four (4) months from the date of second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent settlor and the spouse of the decedent settlor whose identities are reasonably ascertainable. Any suit not filed within this period shall be forever barred.

Notice is further given that any person or entity possessing a claim against the trust must mail proof of the claim to the trustees at the addresses listed below via certified mail, return receipt requested, by the later to occur of four (4) months from the second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice if required or the claim shall be forever barred unless paid or otherwise satisfied.

Dated on August 13, 2026.

Steven R. Clagett, iduciary
1948 410th Street, Kensett,
Iowa 50448-7585

John P. Lander
#AT0004583,
Attorney for Trustees
Brown, Kinsey,
Funkhouser & Lander,
P.L.C.
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Mason City, Iowa
50402-0679

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803 9th Avenue North
Northwood, IA 50459
641-324-1221

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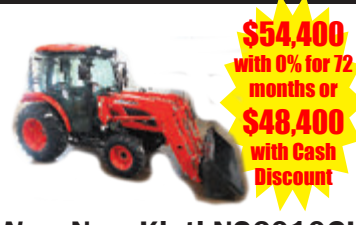
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with 0% for 72
months or
\$39,600
with Cash
Discount

New Kioti DK5320SEHC
50Hp Diesel, Cab AC/Heat, 3 Range
Hydro, MFWD, R14 Tires, Radio, Front
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remote, KL5521 loader 72" bucket



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Zero Turn with Steering Wheel



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with 0% for 72
months or
\$48,400
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58hp, 3 Range Hydro, MFWD, Cab AC/
Heat, Radio, Front and Rear Wiper,
1 set rear hyd remotes, R14 Tires,
KL5810 loader



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New Altoz TFX 766i
Kawasaki EFI 38.5 hp engine,
66" All-Terrain Rear Discharge
Deck, High/Low Transmission,
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Right-Hand Deck Spindle



\$4,400t

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Dominator TreePuller**
Jaws open 60" wide, 2 Cylinders,
1" Thick jaws, with Removable
bolt on Root Rippers, 31" Tall
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with 0% for 48
months or
\$68,000
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44hp Perkins, Cab AC/Heat,
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