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Briefs

Blood drive at VFW held tomorrow

The Northwood Lions Club and LifeServe will be holding a blood drive at the VFW on Highway 65 North in Northwood from 1:30 - 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 4.

Donors can make an appointment by calling 641-324-2252 before Thursday.

Any person under the age of 16 years may be a donor with a parents or guardians permission. Permission papers may be picked up the day of the blood drive at the VFW.

Fundraising for Fourth fireworks is underway

As Fourth of July event organizers are still working to determine what events will remain, one activity that will continue is the annual fireworks display at the Northwood airport. And once again supports are asking for the public's help to make the show happen.

The explosive show is made possible with community contributions.

Those interested in contributing to the Ol' Crackers fireworks fund drive may drop off donations at Farmers State Bank in Northwood or at the Northwood Anchor office.

As donations begin, the Northwood Anchor will publish the names of those contributing to the fund.

People may also support the fund drive by donating cans in the receptacle located underneath the water tower in downtown Northwood. Organizers say that these can donations have had a significant impact on raising the funds needed for the annual show

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Pretty in pink

A lovely crabapple tree overlooks Swensrud Park and the Shell Rock River. Recent rainfall has swelled the river up to the banks and given area crops a needed drink. High temperatures and rain are in the forecast for the rest of the week.

Livestock Boosters replace ribbon sale in 2020

While there will be no Worth County Fair in 2020, the young people that prepared animals for livestock shows are still being given an opportunity to share their efforts. And while no Livestock Ribbon Sale will be held, a Livestock Booster Fund has been established to provide an alternate means of recognizing their efforts and helping to offset the costs of preparing and presenting livestock.

The culmination of the Worth County Fair is usually the Livestock Ribbon Sale, where local businesses, individuals and family members bid on ribbons won by the youth taking part in the fair livestock shows. That won't be possible with the fair shut down for 2020.

However, while the physical fair is cancelled, many area young people had already invested time and money into animals to bring to the fair.

Some form of virtual fair will be held for those young exhibitors and a fund has been established to replace the ribbon sale.

Contributions are currently being sought for the Worth County 4-H and FFA Livestock Booster Fund. Money raised will be shared equally amongst all the 2020 youth exhibitors.

Contributions may be sent to the Worth

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Diamond Jo reopens June 1

Last week the Diamond Jo Casino announced it would re-open to the public this past Monday, subject to final regulatory approval.

Gaming operations were to resume at 8 a.m. Central Time on June 1, along with a limited number of amenities. The property will temporarily operate with limited capacity in compliance with state directives.

Keith W. Henson, Senior Vice President of Operations for Boyd Gaming, said, "As we return to business in Iowa, our highest priority will be protecting the health and safety of every person who comes through our doors. We will meet this commitment by following a

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Prom 2020 set for June 13, in Swensrud Park

At recent meetings of local governments, tentative plans for a rescheduled prom 2020 took shape. With the City of Northwood's blessing, and consensus from the Northwood-Kensett Board of Education, 2020 will bring a prom in the park on June 13.

Originally the prom had been scheduled for April 25, but, of course, with school shut down and social distancing and gathering limitations, it was rescheduled to June 13. Recent updates to State rules made that prom date a possibility.

At their meeting on May 26, the Northwood city council discussed a request from the N-K junior class and their parents, asking for permission to use Swensrud Park for their prom festivities.

According to the letter to the council, students would park by the pool and cross the walking bridge for their grand march.

Prom itself would take place on a dance floor set up under a large tent in the park. Northwood restaurants and other vendors would be invited to serve food during the prom festivities.

The class and their parents would set up and clean up after the event. The City was being asked permission to use the park and use the electricity for prom festivities.

The juniors and their parents noted that they felt the outdoor environment would allow for more fresh air and make it easier to socially distance themselves than the school's gym would.

For their parts, members of the council agreed that they wanted to offer the chance for the kids to still have a special event, when so much else has been cancelled.

With that in mind, the council granted permission to the promgoers and organizers, as long as weather and park conditions were favorable, and no State guidelines prevented prom from taking place.

The N-K school board discussed the plans at a special meeting on Monday.

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Council discusses pool, summer youth sports

The Northwood City Council once again discussed, but ultimately postponed a decision on whether the city's pool will open in 2020. At the same meeting, they gave their support for the use of city parks for youth sports activities.

As pools throughout North Iowa and southern Minnesota have closed for the season, the council was asked whether the city's pool should be one of the few to open.

While current State guidelines only allow pools to open for lap swimming and swimming lessons, the council considered whether to open the pool for public use, should that be allowed this year.

According to city administrator Amber Julseth, the cities of Mason City, Clear Lake, Austin, Rochester, Manly and Albert Lea had all closed their pools for 2020. Those still considering opening nearby included Lake Mills and St. Ansgar.

City superintendent Dirk VanRyswyk said that he was concerned about the increased levels of cleaning of shared surfaces, such as chair railings, etc. He said that the young pool staff aren't trained for that level of hygiene. He also said that he was worried that people would come from all the areas with closed pools to swim. With capacity limits, that would make it more difficult for local swimmers to even access the pool.

VanRyswyk also noted that he may not be able to have the pool ready until late June/early July. He said that would give about 1 1/2 months of swimming at the pool.

Julseth also men-

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The Northwood Swimming Pool remained empty last week as the City decides whether it will open in 2020.



The Week's WEATHER

by National Weather Service Observer John Podgorniak

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. May 26	75	62	
Wed. May 27	78	62	1.10
Thurs. May 28	76	61	.09
Fri. May 29	74	50	
Sat. May 30	66	47	
Sun. May 31	68	45	
Mon. June 1	73	53	.46

Worth COVID-19 cases are 'recovered'

Worth County Public Health recently gave a status update that showed that Worth County no longer has an active case of COVID-19.

As of May 26, WCPH announced that the three people in Worth County that had been diagnosed with COVID-19 are now listed as recovered.

As of press time on Monday, June 1, 303 Worth County residents had been tested for COVID-19.

WCPH also recently announced that contact tracing guidelines have changed, with more stringent measures used to determine who may be at risk of contracting COVID-19 in social interactions.

Formerly when someone was diagnosed with COVID-19, anyone that they had been in contact with, in proximity of six feet or less for 30 minutes, would be contacted and advised that they are at risk. New guidelines have adjusted the time limit to 15 minutes before someone qualifies as a contact.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include cough, fever (100.4 or greater) and shortness of breath. If you are experiencing any of these symptoms, you should call your health care provider before going into the office. The provider may have special instructions for you and will determine if you should be tested.

Worth County Public Health continues to remind residents to take preventive measures to slow the spread of this virus. It is important for everyone to practice social distancing, which is staying away from groups of people and keeping a 6-foot distance from other individuals.

All residents should:

• Stay home when even mildly ill (the kind of illness that normally wouldn't prevent you from your everyday activities)

• Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your elbow/upper arm.

• Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

For up-to-date information on COVID-19, visit the IDPH webpage at idph.iowa.gov/Emerging-Health-Iss…/Novel-Coronavirus and follow the department on Facebook at @IowaDepartmentOfPublicHealth and on Twitter at @IAPublicHealth.

N-K discusses summer sports participation

At a special meeting held on May 26, the Northwood-Kensett Board of Education approved the school's participation in summer sports, while learning about some of the steps that will be taken to make practice and games safe for participants and spectators alike.

Parents will be asked to sign an agreement that includes consenting that students and family members will not be at practices or games if any member of their household is exhibiting symptoms of illness, if any member of the household has been diagnosed with COVID-19 or is suspected to have COVID-19 and if any member of the household has spent time with someone with COVID-19 or who is suspected of having COVID-19. They also agree to inform the school if any member of their household is diagnosed during the season.

The agreement also acknowledges that they may be exposed to COVID-19 as a result of the athlete's participation.

Superintendent Mike Crozier explained that the district's preventative measures will begin at home, where players and coaches will be asked to take their own temperatures. If they have a high fever, they will be asked to stay home and not come to practices or games.

Upon arriving at practices or games, digital thermometers will be used to take temperatures again to determine if players and coaches can take part.

Transportation will involve its own accommodations. To meet the state social distancing guidelines, with those on buses occupying their own seats in alternating rows, Crozier said that N-K will have to take three buses to every game, as opposed to the one bus that could carry the teams normally.

At games, the district will have signs in place and encourage spectators to maintain social distancing. However, they won't enforce the rule on those watching. Social distancing will be enforced for students and coaches.

As far as the potential records go, the win-loss columns won't be as important this year as being able to play ball.

However, Crozier did note the rules for teams that decide it isn't safe to take on another team.

If a team decides not to face off against another and there is no agreed upon public health risk, they will forfeit that game. If both teams agree not to take part, due to a public health concern, it will be considered a no-contest.

The first home games at N-K will be held on Tuesday, June 16.

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tioned that the lifeguards may be waiting for word on their summer jobs before looking for others.

For his part, council member Dave Tenold said he didn't think it was worth it, noting the risks of visitors from areas harder hit by COVID-19. Council member Gary Nerlien agreed.

Council member Dan Reeder noted that there were an awful lot of negatives, and no real positives.

Council member Russ Meyer asked to wait until the next council meeting, on June 8, to make a decision, to see how State guidelines had changed.

A motion was made to close the pool for 2020. Tenold and Nerlien voted for it and Reeder, Meyer and George opposed.

That left the decision in question, until the June 8 meeting, when the pool was to be on the agenda again.

Swimming wasn't the only youth activity in question at the council meeting. They also discussed whether the City's ball diamonds should be used for youth baseball and softball games in 2020.

The first question was whether the City would refund those that had registered to take part, if there were no games, or if the parents decided not to take part for safety concerns. The council agreed that refunds should be allowed for both.

The council ultimately approved the use of the diamonds, per the guidelines from the City's parks and rec board, who met last Thursday night.

The parks and rec board announced on Friday that T-ball, coach pitch and supervised pitch will not take place in 2020. That includes games that would involve children up to grade 3.

Pee-wee and midget ball will still take place, meeting CDC guidelines for COVID-19 safety. This includes children in grades 4-7.

In other business at the meeting, the council received an update from Worth County Sheriff Dan Fank on complaints from residents that worried about dangerous speeding vehicles on their street.

Fank said that deputies had patrolled the street more frequently since the previous meeting and observed 24 out of 462 vehicles exceeding the speed limit of 25 mph by 5 mph or less. One vehicle had been stopped going between 5-15 mph over the limit.

While the council agreed that the low observance of speeding vehicles didn't warrant permanent changes, such as the signage and speed bumps mentioned previously, mayor Doug Moehle said the City would work on a mobile speed limit sign that could be placed when the city receives concerns about speeding on residential streets. The sign would remind drivers that the speed limit in those areas is 25 mph.

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comprehensive set of safety protocols that fully meet the most stringent requirements set by local, state and federal officials. We are excited to welcome back our guests and our team members, and we remain as committed as ever to offering Diamond Jo customers a memorable and fun entertainment experience in a safe environment."

Upon re-opening, Diamond Jo Casino is practicing "Boyd Clean," a set of comprehensive protocols aimed at protecting the health and safety of its team members and guests. Safety protocols will include:

• Mandatory face coverings and temperature checks for all team members;

• Social distancing requirements and capacity restrictions across all customer and team member areas, including casino floors and restaurants;

• Enhanced cleaning and sanitation of all high-touch surfaces, including door handles, gaming machines, table games, handrails and elevator buttons;

• Increased placement of hand sanitizer dispensers throughout the properties;

• Required training for all team members on safety protocols.

Additional information on the Boyd Clean initiative is available online at www.diamondjoworth.com/boyd-clean.

In compliance with state requirements, certain amenities will be operating under limited capacity and operating hours. A full list of current amenities and schedules is available on the property's website at www.diamondjoworth.com.

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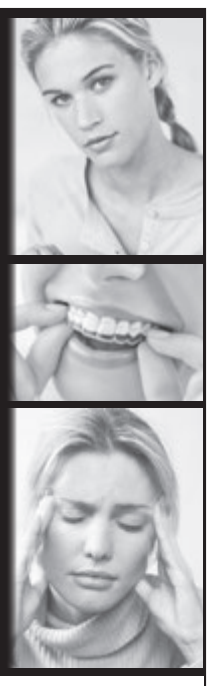
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and they expect an entertaining display for this year's Fourth as a result.

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Making downtown more floral

The Northwood public works crew recently spent some time adding a floral touch to downtown lampposts. Pictured above is Logan Butler, putting the suspended arrangement in place. The hanging baskets, with pink and white petunias, line Central Avenue, providing a touch of color to the downtown landscape.

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High school principal Keith Fritz shared plans for the prom.

On Saturday, June 13, an event combining prom and post-prom will be held in Swensrud Park.

As Fritz explained, it won't be the typical overnight event, due to the compromises made for public health and safety measures.

Before taking part, students will be screened with questions on their health and have their temperatures checked.

The event will include a grand march, with limited attendance allowed, meaning that the public likely won't be invited this year.

A meal will be held, provided by local restaurants Signature's Supper Club and Tequila's Mexican Bar & Grill.

Following the meal, the dance and other activities will begin.

At the same time as the dance, games, prize drawings and other activities will be held to encourage students to leave the dance floor, limiting the number dancing at any one time.

Fritz said that they are trying to find a hypnotist to close the evening. The event will end at 1 a.m.

Fritz said that the open nature of the park means that there will be more chaperones than usual watching over the promgoers, to prevent typical prom "shenanigans," as well as watch out for COVID-19 concerns.

If weather or park conditions are not favorable, the Worth County fairgrounds will be used as an alternate location.


Hotel Winifred
located at 98 8th St. S.

Ground was broken for the Hotel Winifred on August 21, 1912. It had been a dream of Northwood people for many years to build a modern hotel and with the help of the business men, William Larson was able to set forth with the plans. The hotel opened on April 7, 1913 and was named after the Larsons youngest daughter. The building is of Gladbrook pressed brick and construction was overseen by contractor EBC Wright of Charles City. The first floor consists of a 26x40 lobby, dining room, cloak room, landlords apartment and kitchen. There are 20 guest rooms on the second and third floors with hot and cold water in every room, steam heat and a bath on each floor. The hotel is the longest continuous running hotel in the state of Iowa serving the community for over 100 years until November 2014. When the original boiler, which was still heating the building, broke and the landlord had to close the doors. The Waking Miss Winifred group formed and was able to raise the monies from the support of the community to purchase the historic building. Waking Miss Winifred is an affiliate of Worth County Historical Society which continues to work to restore the hotel.

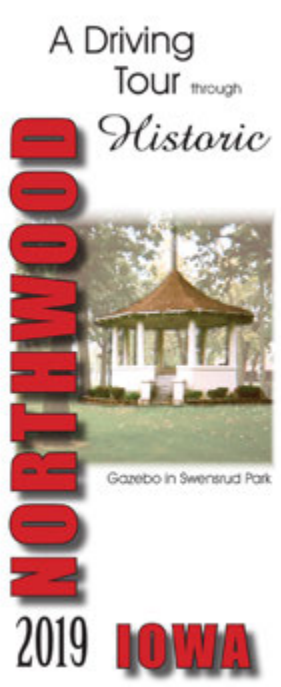

Rodman Cannons

A landmark for Northwood is the Civil War Rodman cannons. One of which is predominately located on the Courthouse lawn. The picture we have here is the other cannon that you can find in the Sunset Rest Cemetery. Both cannons were used in the Civil War and then, according to records, they were both secured for Northwood by Congressman G.N. Haugen in 1903. These two cannons are unique in that there are only 15 of the 8 inch Rodman cannons still known to exist. At one time, Northwood had a third cannon, a Parrott, which was mounted in Swensrud Park. That cannon was melted down for the WWII war effort.

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Enjoy Your Visit and Come Back Soon!

Produced by the Northwood Historical Preservation Commission. Members are Linda Griffith, Lois Hogen, Sharlene Stoddard, and Shirleen Julson.



Committee provides driving tour brochures

By JoAnn Lower

Linda Griffith appreciates good architecture. So when she heard about the Walter Burley Griffin Society meeting in Mason City a few years ago, she just knew she had to attend.

Mr. Griffin, noted for designing Canberra, Australia's capital city, is also credited for, among other things, the L-shaped floor plan, and the carport. He worked as an associate to Frank Lloyd Wright. Wright, who, however, referred to Griffin as his intern.

Many of Griffin's admirers from Australia were at the Mason City meeting. "Our group was permitted to tour homes in the Rock Crest-Rock Glen Historic District," said Linda. "Some were built by Wright, some by Griffin."

It was at that meeting when talking with people from Kansas City, Missouri, that she had an idea.

"They told me they were going to Algona to see the Jewelry Box Bank. From there they would travel to the Jewelry Box Bank in Owatonna, then on to the one by the Mississippi."

"People drive through Northwood on their way to Owatonna.

We have so much good architecture in Northwood, and we're not far from Mason City. Mason City is the draw."

With that thought in mind, a committee was formed. Linda Griffith, Lois Hogen, Charlene Stoddard and Shirleen Julson, the same dedicated women who started the Cemetery Walk, decided to create a Northwood Driving Tour pamphlet. This is their fourth year, their fourth unique pamphlet.

The pamphlets will be available in the next few weeks at the Welcome Center by Diamond Jo Casino, Northwood's Historical Society, City Hall, Court House, Public Library and the Worth County Fair. In Mason City they will be available at the MacNider Art Museum and Welcome Center.

The committee wishes to wholeheartedly thank the Northwood City Council for funding the valuable project again this year.

For more information call Linda Griffith at 641-324-1310.

Editor's note: The Northwood Anchor is sharing the 2017, 2018 and 2019 brochures on the Anchor website, nwdanchor.com, under the Special Editions section. The brochures offer an excellent source of information and a socially-distant safe activity.

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Doug Moehle
Northwood Mayor

Let Us Talk

Today I need to talk about swimming pools.

First, it has NOT been decided whether the city swimming pool will open this year or not. So far the governor has only approved using the pool for swimming lessons and/or lap swimming.

With the recommended stay at home rules I have observed that many new private pools are appearing in yards around Northwood. I must remind you that Northwood Code of Ordinances paragraph 165.16 allows residential swimming pools only when they are enclosed with a non-climbable fence of at least six (6) feet in height. Northwood Code of Ordinances paragraph 165.06 number twenty (20) allows for a fence or wall not exceeding four (4) feet in height to be permitted within the limits of front yards. This means that because of the six (6) foot fence requirement all residential pools must be located on a side or in a back yard. I would also highly recommend that anyone thinking of a private pool should consult with their insurance agent.

Please slow down, with school out and the weather getting nicer we all need to be alert and careful.

We still need to adapt to the new rules, no groups of more than ten (10), staying six (6) feet apart and consider wearing a mask. Continue taking care of yourself, your family and your neighbors.

A huge THANK YOU to all of those people who are putting themselves at risk to keep us moving on.

Please take the time to respond to the Census. You can respond online, by phone, as well as by mail.

Northwood is a great place to live and work. Together we can all make it even better.

Doug Moehle
Mayor Northwood

Library reopens with limited services

The Northwood Public Library has announced that it will begin partially re-opening this week, with limited services and curbside pick-up alternatives still available.

The library will continue to be open for curbside pick only on Mondays from 1-5 p.m. and Thursdays from 1-6 p.m.

The library will begin offering entry to the library on Tuesdays from 1-6 p.m. and Fridays from 1-5 p.m.

The public computers, the restrooms, the reading room, the kids' toys and games and the maker space area will remain closed to the public.

The number of patrons in the library at one time will be limited to 10.

Those that feel sick are asked not to enter the library. Those that do enter are asked to use hand sanitizer upon entry to the building. Those visiting must practice social distancing by maintaining six feet distance from others and practicing good hygiene. Masks are also encouraged but not required.

The library is asking visitors to limit their time spent in the library and keep their visit to 15 minutes or less.

Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

All returns must be dropped off in the drop box. Returned items are not to be returned to the circulation counter.

The library staff will be increasing disinfecting of surfaces, and returned library books and DVDs will be set aside for one week to allow for decontamination.

Anyone with questions may contact the Northwood Public Library at 641-324-1340.

Imperiled Samaritans

By Ron McMullen

"Good Samaritan" is a phrase commonly heard by Iowans in this pandemic era, often in the context of a lifesaving nurse, neighbor, or local volunteer. Across Iowa, as we celebrate these Good Samaritans and strive to emulate them, let's keep in mind the perils facing the real Samaritans – an ancient, beleaguered religious minority living in a mountaintop village between Palestinian and Israeli neighbors.

Today a tiny Samaritan community still clings tenuously to Mt. Gerizim, located in the West Bank about 30 miles north of Jerusalem. The village of less than 400 Samaritans overlooks Nablus, a bustling Palestinian city about the size of Des Moines. Samaritans claim a 3,000-year history on their holy mountain, which rises 2,900 feet above the valley below. The world's only other Samaritan community, located on the outskirts of Tel Aviv, is also minuscule.

Samaritans face two existential threats: demography and politics. To understand both, we need to glance back at the region's religious and political conflicts. After tens of thousands of Israelites were carried off by conquerors three millennia ago, Samaritans viewed themselves as the keepers of the flame, the guardians of the true, ancient version of the Hebrew religion. Returning Jewish exiles and others, in the Samaritan view, misconstrued the religion by focusing on Jerusalem, rather than the holy mountain of Gerizim, among other things. The name Samaritan, in fact, is derived from the Aramaic word shamarin, meaning "guardian."

Two thousand years ago relations between Jews (including early Christians) and Samaritans, who then numbered perhaps 500,000, remained bitter, as only a family feud can be. Readers may recall the Biblical parable of The Good Samaritan, in which a Samaritan aids a mugged traveler. The tale arises when Jesus is asked by a lawyer to specify who qualifies as a neighbor. He shocks listeners, who despise Samaritans, by telling the story of The Good Samaritan.



Ron McMullen, a Northwood-Kensett graduate and former U.S. ambassador, teaches at the University of Iowa.

Note that we don't refer to it as the story of "A Good Samaritan," or "One of Many Good Samaritans," but "The Good Samaritan," as if he were the only one. Even Jesus's disciples wanted to call down heavenly fire to destroy an inhospitable Samaritan village. Ill will ran deep.

When my wife and I visited Mt. Gerizim, we chanced to meet a Samaritan priest who recounted to us his ancient flock's efforts to survive atop their holy mountain. He inquired about potential sources of funding for a peace garden and expanded visitors' center. The priest half-jokingly then asked a visiting young Canadian doctor if she were interested in finding a Samaritan husband, converting and settling there. The community needs to grow to survive.

The empty, weedy playground in the village illustrates the Samaritans' demographic plight. When they rebelled against the Christian Byzantium Empire in the 600s, Samaritans were massacred wholesale. Later conquered by the Arab-Islamic Empire, Samaritans suffered discrimination, and many left the faith. Once numbering in the hundreds of thousands, Samaritans now number in the hundreds. Today, given the community's size and traditional ban on marrying outsiders, most Samaritan couples are also cousins. This has led to genetic disorders and concerns about the population's viability. The community has grown slightly in recent years as Samaritan men may now marry non-Samaritan women who convert. (Our Canadian fellow-traveler chose not to.)

Political conflict constitutes the other main threat. Folks on Mt. Gerizim speak Arabic daily while using archaic Hebrew for religious purposes. Many Samaritans carry Palestinian, Israeli and Jordanian passports and the community tries to steer clear of toxic Palestinian-Israeli politics. Political violence in the early 2000s caused the Samaritans still living in Nablus to close their synagogue and move up to the village on Mt. Gerizim.



Author and Samaritan Priest Husney Wasif Kohen, Mt. Gerizim.



Forlorn Samaritan Playground, Mt. Gerizim

Within one mile of this Samaritan village, as the crow flies, is the large, illegal Jewish settlement of Har Brakha, ringed with concrete barriers and connected to Jerusalem by busses with armed guards. Also nearby is the teaming Baraka Palestinian refugee camp plastered with posters of gun-toting martyrs. Across the street from the refugee camp is the traditional site of Jacob's Well, now enclosed by a Greek Orthodox church (whose priest bears a scar on his head from an ax attack by a radical Zionist rabbi). The Samaritans live in a tough neighborhood, yet have found ways to coexist with their neighbors.

More trouble is headed their way in July. That's when the Israeli Knesset is expected to debate the annexation of up to 30% of the West Bank, in accordance with the 2020 Trump-Kushner plan known as "Peace to Prosperity," which Palestinians have vowed to resist. Things are likely to turn violent and the Samaritans on Mt. Gerizim could be caught, once again, in between.

While we honor our local Good Samaritans, perhaps we could also look to the example of the Samaritans on Mt. Gerizim as a model of peaceful coexistence in a dangerous region. If their tiny, precarious community is overwhelmed by another deadly round of Palestinian-Israeli conflict, we may find that the phrase "The Good Samaritan" finally becomes descriptively accurate. Let's hope not, for everyone's sake.

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Quisley awarded $500 4-H scholarship

Julia Quisley, from Worth County was awarded the Iowa Bankers Association4-H Scholarship through the Iowa 4-H Foundation this spring.

The Iowa 4-H Foundation has announced the recipients of over 90 Iowa 4-H scholarships valued at more than $100,000. Over 400 applications were submitted and scholarships have been awarded to recipients from 54 counties across the state of Iowa with a wide variety of 4-H experiences.

Quisley's 4-H opportunities have included going to National Congress, National Conference, serving on State 4-H Council, and being the Worth County Fair Queen. Though 4-H, she learned more about the cattle industry and realized someday she wants a job in the cattle industry. Quisley is attending Iowa State University majoring in Ag Business.



JULIA QUISLEY

"4-H has helped make me who I am today, and completely shape my character," says Quisley.

"We are so proud of our 4-H scholarship recipients, knowing that they have had challenges to overcome this year," said Emily Saveraid, Executive Director of the Iowa 4-H Foundation. "These scholarships honor and reward hard work and dedication. We are thankful for the many scholarship donors who fund these important opportunities for Iowa 4-H'ers."

Each of the six regions of the Iowa Bankers Association will recognize outstanding 4-H'ers who will be pursuing a private or public, 2-or 4-yearcollege degree in the state of Iowa.

The Iowa 4-H Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that provides the private financial resources to develop and deliver quality 4-H youth programs throughout the state of Iowa. These opportunities help young people enhance their ability to use critical thinking, leadership, communication, and social skills – tools that will give them a competitive edge in their future endeavors. More information at www.iowa4hfoundation.org.





Alleys all done

Northwood's downtown alleys have been under construction in the last two years, with the final stretch recently completed. Pictured above is the alley south of Central Avenue, between Eighth Street South and Ninth Street South.

More businesses reopen on as social gathering limits eased

On Tuesday, May 26, Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds issued her latest proclamation, extending the state's Public Health Disaster Emergency, until June 25. The proclamation opened additional businesses, while relaxing restrictions on others and on social gatherings and activities.

Starting on Monday, June 1, casinos could reopen in Iowa, under similar safety restrictions and guidelines as other businesses in the state.

Casinos have to limit their capacity to 50% of their gaming and wagering positions, as set by the Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission. Those gaming positions must be spaced at least six feet apart, unless barriers are installed to separate patrons.

Restaurants could also open at casinos. However, buffets are still banned by the state at all restaurants.

Other health and hygiene measures must also be observed.

The Diamond Jo Casino in Worth County opened at 8 a.m. on June 1 with all the measures required by the State in place.

Outdoor performance venues were also allowed to reopen, with the 50% capacity limit, social distancing, health and hygiene measures in place.

Others allowed to open on June 1 were bingo halls, bowling alleys, pool halls, arcades, skating venues and amusement parks. The same 50% capacity, social distancing, hygiene and health requirements will be in place.

Also reopening on June 1 were outdoor playgrounds.

Businesses that remain closed include live theatre venues, senior citizen centers, adult daycares and indoor playgrounds.

Other businesses had restrictions eased starting on May 28, such as restaurants, wedding reception venues, country clubs, social clubs and others.

Previously the number of customers at a table was limited to six. That was increased to 10 in the proclamation.

Live music performances are now allowed, as long as performers remain at least six feet from patrons and from each other, and those watching remain socially distant.

The proclamation also discussed bars, wineries, breweries and distilleries and others, which opened again on May 28, as announced last week.

The establishments will be treated similarly to restaurants, with social distancing, 50% capacity and other health and hygiene measures, and the newly eased restrictions mentioned above.

Besides the announcements for Iowa businesses, the new proclamation also eased limits on social gatherings.

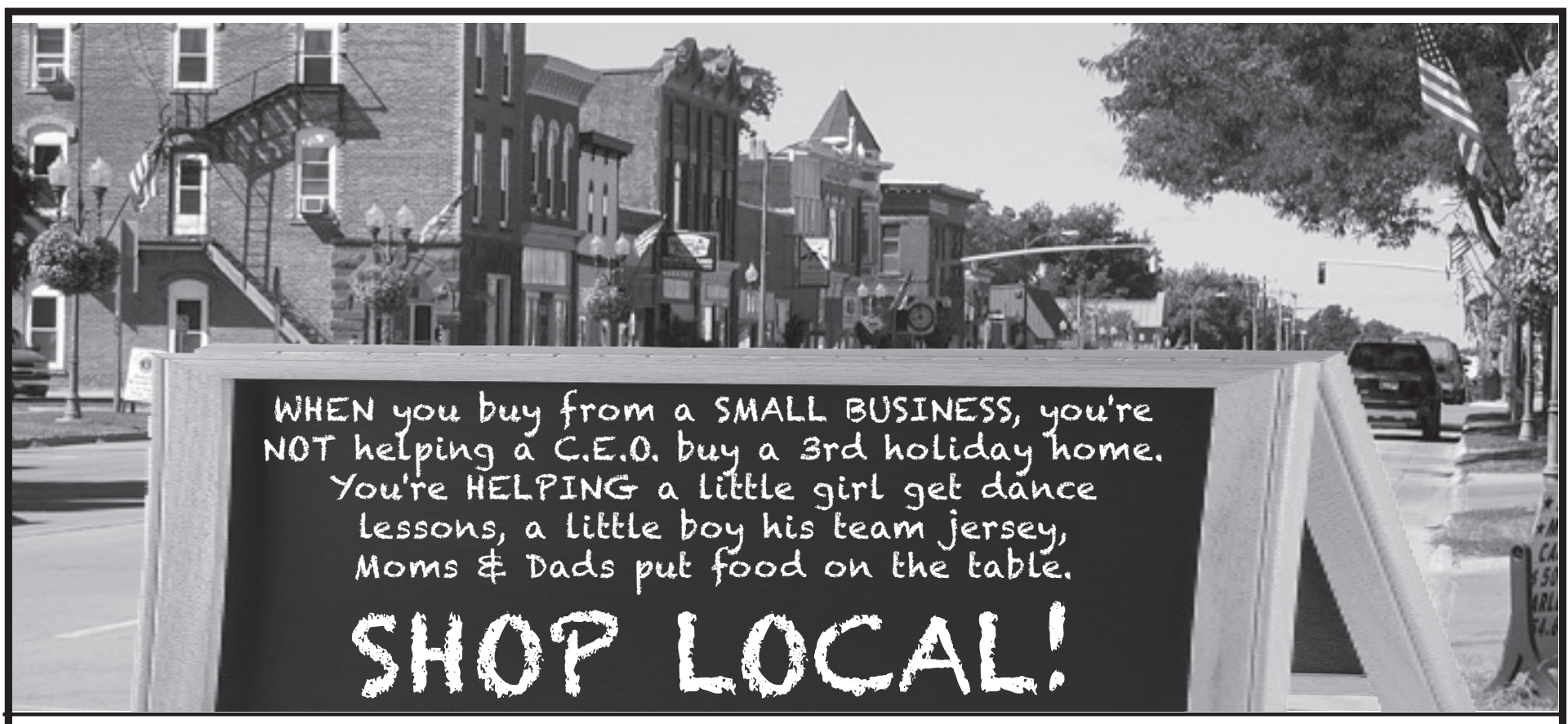
As of June 1, "social, community, recreational, leisure or sporting" gatherings, which includes parades, festival, conventions and fundraisers, of more than 10 people are allowed, but only if those gathering comply with 50% capacity at gatherings indoors or with outdoor seating. All gatherings must also ensure that at least six feet of distance is present between groups and individuals.

Other health and hygiene measures must also be in place.

Non-school sporting events were allowed to begin on June 1 for practices, games and competitions. This includes baseball, softball and sports done individually, such as running, biking, swimming, tennis and golf.

Those taking part must make efforts to maintain social distances whenever possible and take other health and hygiene measures.

The proclamation extends other limitations that were in place on dental, medical, religious, auction, farmers market, school and other facilities and activities.



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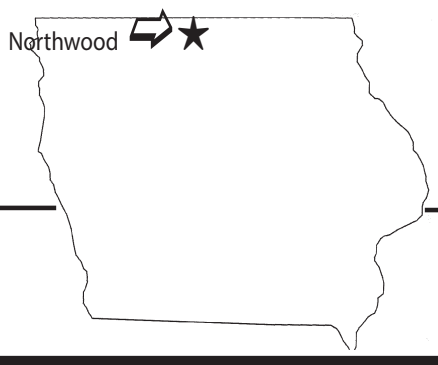
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Asian Giant Hornet not yet found in Iowa

News of the Asian Giant Hornet's arrival in Washington state has spread a lot farther than the actual invasive insect, and there is no evidence it has arrived in Iowa or will ever be here, according to Iowa State University Extension and Outreach specialists.

The Asian Giant Hornet, Vespa mandarinia, checks in at more than two inches, which makes it the world's largest. It carries a painful sting and could have a serious detrimental impact on honey bee populations.

Washington State Department of Agriculture verified two reports of the AGH near Blaine, Washington, in December, and a nest was discovered — and quickly destroyed — in British Columbia earlier this year. Entomologists in Washington are on alert, and to identify AGH they are surveying with traps and relying on reports from citizens.

Female AGH make their nests in the spring, but in the fall is when it is more likely that they may attack honey bee colonies.

Iowa State University and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship are monitoring observations and reports about AGH to help assess the threat to Iowans. Iowans are invited to contact the Iowa State University Plant and Insect Diagnostic Clinic for help identifying suspect specimens. Because Iowa State is mostly operating remotely, contacts via email are more efficient than phone calls.

If a clear picture can be safely taken, people may send the image to insects@iastate.edu. People should use extreme caution and photograph a suspect that is already dead or can be safely killed with spray or swatter. If a picture is not available people shoudl carefully record detailed observations such as size, shape and colors.

Donald Lewis, extension entomologist at Iowa State University, urges Iowans to watch for this and other invasive species and to report insects that seem out of the ordinary.

"The discovery of AGH in Washington and British Columbia late in 2019 is another concern but not a reason to panic," Lewis said.

According to Randall Cass, entomologist with ISU Extension and Outreach, it is unclear whether the AGH would find Midwestern habitats suitable, but for now, it is not the biggest worry for beekeepers. A much more relevant concern for honey bees is the destruction of pollinator habitat.

To help bees and beekeepers and for more information on pollinators and plants to benefit them, Iowans can read Conserving Beneficial Insects with Native Plants, online at www.ent.iastate.edu/pollinators/files/page/files/2013-01-conserving-beneficial-insects-native-plants.pdf.

The arrival of the AGH is an unwanted, but not entirely unexpected development. Fortunately, there is no evidence of the presence of AGH in Iowa. Iowans are encouraged to continue learning about AGH and to report suspicious insects.

More information is available by visiting the Washington State Department of Agriculture, the Washington State University Extension or the Smithsonian Magazine article, "No, Americans Do Not Need to Panic about 'Murder Hornets.'"



A delivery of thanks

Health care workers at the Lutheran Retirement Home and MercyOne clinic in Northwood recently received a special delivery from the State Farm Insurance office of Dave Osborne, as a thanks for the essential work they do in the community.





Where there's smoke, there's tire

The parking lot on Eighth Street South was unusually active last Friday when a smoking semi cab called for the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company. After the smoke stopped, the cab pulled forward and the smoke was found to be coming from the back wheels.

Back to the Capitol this week



Jane Bloomingdale
Iowa House
District 51

The Revenue Estimating Conference met on Friday and provided us with revised revenue projections for the general fund and RIIF budget (gaming tax revenue). Total revenue for the 2021 budget was projected to be down almost $400 million. We have many uncertainties, but fortunately we are in a good fiscal position with a healthy projected surplus and full reserve accounts.

When we suspended session, we were just starting the second funnel week. That is where we will be picking up. House Republicans had a number of priority bills that we were working on prior to the suspension of session namely child care, EMS, and broadband internet expansion.

The House passed a number of bills early in this legislative session focused on providing internet access to underserved areas. The best way to do this is to minimize red tape and administrative costs and maximize the impact of dollars spent. The coronavirus pandemic has only emphasized the need for high quality internet access.

There were several bills passed to expand access to child care in the state. These bills were part of a legislative package to increase child care workforce, increase provider rates to maintain existing child care facilities, and provide incentives to develop new child care facilities. Now, these bills are more important than ever, as child care is a key factor in getting Iowans back to work after this public health emergency.

Bills to work with cities and counties to expand EMS services and reward our volunteer EMS and firefighters will hopefully pass the House this week. There will likely be some new policy ideas that have come up over the course of the COVID-19 outbreak that will be addressed as well.

When we reconvene, the legislature is implementing measures to protect those at the Capitol, including screenings, hand sanitizer stations, and limiting access to the House floor. Facemasks will be encouraged and provided to those who want one. Unprecedented transparency measures are being implemented to ensure Iowans are able to follow the work of the Legislature. House committee meetings will be held in the House chamber so that proceedings can be live streamed and Iowans will be able to submit written public comments on bills.

Our communities, our economy, and our country have reopened with new restrictions and protocols in place for our safety. I agree it is time to open our economy and the legislature needs to complete session, but COVID is not gone. Please continue social distancing and good hygiene. Email any questions or concerns to jane.bloomingdale@legis.iowa.gov and/or check for updates on my Facebook page- facebook.com/votebloomingdale.

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Cognitive psychologists have made it abundantly clear that we are prone to a multitude of biases, blind spots, and other failures of rationality. We have a tendency, for instance, to keep fighting losing battles because of the "sunk cost" bias, which makes us reluctant to give up on projects or investments in which we have already invested heavily, in time or money. Another common bias is that we notice flaws in others more readily than we notice them in ourselves. We also tend to project our current mindset and feelings into both the past and the future. We are drawn to details which confirm our existing beliefs, a bias which we often see in political disputes. Perhaps the largest and most surprising blind spot is that which is created by our own knowledge. When we know something, especially when we know it well, we have trouble remembering what it was like to not know it. Even teachers, whose job it is to remedy our ignorance, will sometimes say things like "how do you not know that?" to which the answer might be "how do you not know that I don't know that?" After all, we are born knowing almost nothing, and so we have to learn virtually everything. Being aware of all the ways our thinking can go wrong should make us more empathetic, humble and understanding. Try to remember what it was like to not know what you know and keep in mind all of the ways our thinking can go awry. –Christopher Simon

"The one who gets wisdom loves life; the one who cherishes understanding will soon prosper." – Proverbs 19:8 NIV

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Bulwer Lytton, Edward Robert



by Sandy Olson

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

It's been a very strange spring thus far. No graduation parties, no confirmation celebrations, few family get-togethers and so it goes. But…the time will come when we all celebrate the return of much of what we hold dear and those times will include FOOD! With my long-standing enjoyment of entertaining with appetizers, "The Trinity Cookbook" complied by the Church of the Holy Trinity, Vicksburg, Mississippi (2017, Wimmer Cookbooks) presented several unusual recipes that can grace the table of any party. These recipes are adapted from the section titled "Appetizers and Beverages."

Artichoke Cheese Dip

1 jar (8 oz.) artichoke hearts, drained and chopped fine. Do Not use the marinated style bottled artichoke hearts.
1 cup real mayonnaise, not Miracle Whip®
1 cup shredded Parmesan, not from the green can
2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese
2 teaspoons garlic powder, not garlic salt

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Mix all the ingredients together in a medium bowl. Lightly butter a small (1-quart) casserole dish and pour the dip mixture into it. Bake 25-30 minutes. Serve hot with corn chips or sturdy crackers.

Onion Soufflé Dip

1 package (12-14 oz.) frozen chopped onions, thawed and drained. SANDY'S NOTE: you can use fresh, finely chopped white onions instead, about two medium or
1 1/2 cups.
3 packages (8 oz. each) cream cheese, softened
2 cups grated Parmesan cheese, such as in the green can
1/2 cup real mayonnaise, not Miracle Whip®

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees F. If using the thawed frozen onions, squeeze out all the excess liquid by using a clean dish towel to wrap them in. Combine all ingredients in a large bowl and mix well. Lightly butter a 1 1/2-quart casserole dish and place the onion mixture into it. Bake 25 minutes or until the top is golden brown. Serve warm with corn chips.

Sweet Pumpkin Dip

3 cups confectioners' sugar, sifted to remove any lumps
1 cup light brown sugar, sifted to remove any lumps
2 packages (8 oz. each) cream cheese, softened
1 tablespoon honey
2 cans (15 oz. each) pureed pumpkin, not pumpkin pie mix
2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 cup vanilla yogurt
Gingersnaps, vanilla cookies, apple or pear slices for serving

Blend all ingredients with an electric mixer on medium-low speed. Keep refrigerated until ready to serve. If using apple or pear slices, dip them in diluted lemon juice to keep them from turning brown.

Fancy Shrimp Supreme Appetizer

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3 pounds raw shrimp, peeled and deveined
1 cup fresh small white button mushrooms
2/3 cup real butter, never margarine
1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley
1/2 cup finely chopped yellow onion
3 tablespoons lemon juice
2 tablespoons chili sauce
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder, not garlic salt
A dash each of Worcestershire sauce and hot pepper sauce

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Arrange the shrimp and mushrooms in a 9x13-inch baking dish. In a small saucepan, melt the butter then add the remaining ingredients to the pan. Stir to blend well and pour this mixture over the shrimp and mushrooms. Bake for 30 minutes. Serve with toothpicks.

The time will come, they say, when we will look back on the present situation and realize that we can come through adversity as a community and keep on keeping on. In the meantime, as well as later, we need to be well fed! And…that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society



Kicking Cancer

Heather Coombs (top middle) of Northwood was diagnosed with breast cancer on April 12, 2019. She received her first chemotherapy treatment on May 1, 2019, at Mercy Cancer Center. Along with chemo she had a mastectomy and 30 rounds of radiation. On Friday, May 29, 2020, Coombs received her last chemo treatment and has stayed cancer free. Celebrating this milestone are (top row, from left) Alissa Enser, Heather Coombs, Merle Coombs, (middle) Bob Lombard, Shane Batton, (bottom) Jen Lombard and Dawn Batton.

Fawning season is underway, watch for deer to be on the move

Fawning season is here which means car deer collisions will likely tick up and calls to conservation groups about abandoned fawns will begin.

Iowa's peak fawning season stretches from middle May to middle June, followed by a second and much smaller peak fawning season in July. Fawning season is preceded by yearling bucks being disbursed by the does as she prepares to deliver this year's fawns.

These newly on their own yearlings go through a learning curve without adults around, which leads to deer being more visible during the day and more young deer involved in vehicle collisions. Drivers are encouraged to use November rut defensive driving techniques like reducing their speed and avoiding distractions and scanning road ditches during this time.

After pushing out the yearlings, the does will also be on the move looking for a spot where she feels safe and isolated to give birth. With some urban greenbelt areas experiencing high water, that means the fawns could show up in flower beds, un-mowed yard or field corners or fencerows.

"We see an increase in phone calls this time of year about fawns the caller found "abandoned" in their yard. The reality is that the fawn has been put there by the doe because she determined it to be a safe place and will return frequently to nurse it," said Jim Coffey, forest wildlife research biologist with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR). "Laying motionless is a survival technique. Fawns are relatively inactive for the first week or so until its legs are ready for it to follow the doe on its own."

The white spots on a fawns coat is nature's camouflage designed to simulate sunlight penetrating the trees on the forest floor, and will disappear over time, being replaced by brown fur as it grows.

"Our best advice is, don't disturb it, don't touch it and don't pick it up. The doe is caring for it, in fact she's probably watching you but you can't see her," Coffey said.

As part of the Iowa DNR's chronic wasting disease management plan, fawns will not be rehabilitated to avoid spreading the always fatal disease.

Worth County joins Northwest Iowa Care Connections effective July 1

By Erin McCord

After three years of work, Worth County has made the transition to a new mental health region. As of July 1, the county will be part of Northwest Iowa Care Connections. Winnebago and Kossuth counties are joining NWIACC at the same time.

"It was a lot of work, a lot of crossing t's and dotting i's," said supervisor Ken Abrams of the county's effort to leave County Social Services and join NWIACC. "It was worth it," Abrams went on. "I think we'll get better, more cost effective services now."

County Social Services was a 21 county group, spread along northeast Iowa. Worth County supervisors felt that most of the resources of the large region were directed to the more urban areas of the district, leaving Worth County underserved.

NWIACC is based out of Spencer, Iowa. Prior to the addition of Kossuth, Winnebago and Worth counties, it consisted of Palo Alto, Osceola, Clay, Dickinson and O'Brien counties.

The mental health regions are state-mandated 28e agreements, which allow counties and to share resources. Each county pays a per capita rate to the mental health region for it's services. The regions are required to provide certain core mental health services.

According to the Iowa Department of Human Services website, these core services include:

• Treatment to ameliorate a person's condition - outpatient therapy, inpatient treatment and medication management

• Basic crisis response

• Support for community living – Services that help individuals be successful in their community

• Support for employment - Services leading to and maintaining employment

• Recovery services – Coaching and guidance delivered through peer and family support

• Service coordination, including coordination of physical health and behavioral health care.

Barry Anderson, Clay County supervisor and chair of the NWIACC, said that the region focuses on "assertive community treatment" and that, while no new treatment centers will be opened in the incoming counties, NWIACC will be working on developing relationships with local providers in order to contract for services.

"Our job as a region is to develop a network to make sure people don't fall between cracks," Anderson said.

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Northwood Anchor Opinion

Letter to the editor- Nursing homes not open to visitors for now

Dear Editor

As the Governor of Iowa opens the state back up for business the move comes with a mixed bag of feelings and new concerns. This virus continues to be a situation where the main concern is not about me or you, but whom we might give the virus too unexpectedly, with devastating results. Currently 55% of the COVID related deaths in Iowa come from the 37 nursing homes that have had outbreaks. Once the virus is in a nursing home the frail health of our residents make them easy hosts for the virus. Keeping them healthy takes more than just our staff utilizing infection control protocol. It takes all community members being proactive with caring for their own health so that you don't unknowingly pass the virus onto someone that provides services to the nursing home.

Although the state is slowly re-opening, the Federal government (which dictates nursing home regulations) is keeping nursing homes and assisted living facilities closed to mitigate the chances of the virus entering our buildings. The Federal government has not indicated when they will allow health care facilities to re-open to the public, but it would be safe to say that it will be one of the last entities in our country to do so.

The Federal government is currently developing a 3 phased approach for the health care facilities to utilize once it is determined that they can begin the re-opening process. All facilities are currently in phase 1. Only once a facility enters phase 3 may visitors enter the building. The driving force behind moving a facility through phase 2 and 3 is the states' ability to test staff and residents on a regular, routine bases.

When the day arrives where a facility can allow the visiting public back into the buildings, there will most certainly be new government regulations restricting how the public can interact with the facility residents and staff. Most likely, visitors will be required to wear masks, group sizes will be limited and stays will be for limited amounts of time.

If there would be a local outbreak of the virus, facilities would move back to phase 1 immediately and the flu lock down protocol would continue.

This whole process and situation remains very fluid. Both State and Federal government entities are updating and changing guidance on an almost daily basis. I will continue to try and keep you informed as best as I can as things continue to evolve.

As always, continue communicating with your loved ones. Mail letters, send care packages, set up a window visit, give them a phone call, set up a Face Time visit with our Activity Department. It all makes a big difference for them!

Take care and stay healthy!

Scott Halbach

Lutheran Retirement Home Administrator

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Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Zoom Meeting

When we blew a fuse, Pop would replace it with a penny.

Why did he do that?

You have to spend money to make money.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor, named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me, such as: I'm good at sheltering in place. That's because I've had blizzard training.

A fellow I know died recently. He'd had a good run. He was 102 years old and died while writing a check. I wonder how many people die while paying a bill? Not many, I'm thinking. If I gave a commencement address, I'd tell the graduates to pay their bills and they might live to be 102. Then I'd tell them to be kind to themselves. That would teach them how to be kind to others.

I walked past a glint of the sun on a marble headstone. We are going through disturbing times, but I needed to pay my respects to some who hadn't remained standing. I hope they're happy with what we've become. It rained. John Keats is buried in Rome, dying in 1821 at age 25 and requesting that only the phrase: "Here lies One Whose Name was writ in Water" be inscribed on his headstone.

Each year, my wife and I attend a smorgasbord. One of the delicacies served there is tongue. I eat some while encouraging my wife to sample a bit of it. She declines. Most of us like what we like and don't care much for the rest. I thought of teasing her into trying the tongue, but there's no point in tongue food fighting.

TV is like pickles — sometimes sour, sometimes sweet. I remember using a needle-nose pliers to turn the channel selector on our old TV when I was a boy. The plastic channel selector, indicating channel numbers, had broken before we'd obtained the TV. Mother convinced my father that we needed a TV so the furniture would have something to point at. I used that pliers to change the channel until my hand went numb and then I'd stop. I hoped it was on one of the three channels we received. The first TV I purchased had a broken volume knob. It was a deal I couldn't turn down.

In local news

Trucker with no sense of direction is in it for the wrong haul.

Plumber slips in the bathroom and his whole life flushed before his eyes.

Man, aged 111, shows signs of everything.

The Poison Ivy Petting Zoo suffers a rash of complaints.

Nature notes

Harp Bartness of Hartland asked how old a fawn is before it can walk. Fawns are able to stand within 10 minutes of birth and can walk in 7 hours. They are left alone daily while their mothers go off to forage. Fawns stay with their mother through the winter.

Paula Comeau, naturalist at Bluestem Prairie Scientific and Natural Area near Glyndon, Minnesota, told me that coyotes love to eat wild plums.

"What eats slugs?" Not me. Things that dine on slugs include: toads, snakes, frogs, ground beetles, turtles, firefly larvae, ducks, chickens and some songbirds.

Japanese beetles can fly in from as far away as five miles.

Birds at the top of the forest canopy sing first during the dawn chorus because the light reaches them first. Birds with the largest eyes are the first to sing at all the levels, as the big eyes let more light in allowing them to see better in low light.

Orioles aren't picky when it comes to jelly. It's been said Baltimore orioles enjoy the grape flavor because it tastes similar to the dark, ripe fruits they eat. Jelly feeders attract other birds: gray catbirds, woodpeckers, scarlet tanagers, house finches, rose-breasted grosbeaks and more. Orioles eat orange marmalade, apricot preserves, or cherry, strawberry, apple and raspberry jams or jellies. Jellies and jams are both made of fruit, sugar and pectin. In jelly, the fruit is in the form of juice. Jam is a chunkier form containing pulp or crushed fruit. I stopped at a store to get grape jelly. The grape jelly shelves were bare. I was in a bit of a rush, so I bought the only jelly they had available — strawberry. I put it into the feeders and the birds snarfed it down.

Even with lessened traffic, many dead raccoons are on the roads. That's because of cars. A raccoon can run 15 mph, giving it little chance in a race with a Lexus. An animal foraging for food brings about the collisions.

Meeting adjourned

The light comes through the cracks thanks to your kindness.

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Fit to print...

Iowa officials: Violent protests undermine message for change

By Kathie Obradovich
Iowa Capital Dispatch

Iowa officials, including Gov. Kim Reynolds and Des Moines Mayor Frank Cownie, on Saturday said the violence that broke out in downtown Des Moines on Friday night undermined the unifying message of a largely peaceful protest of the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

About 20 people were arrested for failure to disperse on Friday and 20 police officers suffered minor injuries from people throwing rocks, bricks and other objects, Des Moines Police spokesman Sgt. Paul Parizek said during a news conference Saturday morning.

Hundreds of people attended a peaceful demonstration from 6-7 p.m. Friday near the main Des Moines police station. As the rally broke up, a small group that police characterized as "agitators" attacked a lone officer who was stationed nearby, jumping on and damaging his squad car.

Police and community leaders worked to engage protesters and encouraged them to leave the area.

Des Moines police, along with Polk County sheriff's deputies and the Iowa State Patrol, occasionally used tear gas and non-lethal incendiary devices to push back crowds who were throwing rocks, bricks and other items. Parizek said one person threw a bucket that police suspect contained urine.

Property damage included broken windows at the federal courthouse and businesses like the Hilltop Tire store and the Embassy Suites hotel. Three squad cars were damaged. No serious injuries were reported.

A separate protest and march underway Saturday afternoon in downtown Des Moines included hundreds of people marching, waving signs and chanting. No violence had been reported as of mid-afternoon.

In a statement, Reynolds called Floyd's death while in police custody in Minneapolis an "unsettling and criminal act of violence" and said it was unconscionable. Floyd, 46, an unarmed black man, died after his arrest, during which a police officer was shown on video kneeling on his neck for more than eight minutes as he cried out that he couldn't breathe. All four officers involved in the incident have been fired and one, Derek Chauvin, has been charged in connection with Floyd's death.

The incident has sparked protests across the country, some of them violent.

"As Iowans, it is right for us to react in different ways, from sadness to outrage. But it is never right to react with violence," she said. "The violence that happened last night in Des Moines undermines the message of change and hope that so many seek."

According to the release, Cownie and Reynolds met Saturday with Police Chief Dana Wingert, Department of Public Safety Commissioner Steve Bayens, Iowa-Nebraska NAACP President Betty Andrews, State Rep. Ako Abdul-Samad, D-Des Moines, and other community leaders about the violence and protests.

"Like hundreds of other Des Moines residents, I attended last night's rally. It was peaceful and powerful, as it was intended. It had a purpose," Cownie said. "Unfortunately for some, that wasn't acceptable and they took matters into their own hands. Bringing violence to our streets and endangering others."

He said Floyd's death was "horrific and unacceptable."

"We can't undo what happened there, but we can have an impact on what happens here in our community, and how we move forward," he said.

Wingert said Des Moines police also universally condemned the actions of the Minneapolis police officer who has been charged in connection with Floyd's death. "The discussion in our building, from the minute that video came out, was 'I wonder what they're going to charge him with.' Because what he did was wrong. That's the one thing that we can all rally around," he said.

Editor Kathie Obradovich has been covering Iowa government and politics for more than 30 years, most recently as political columnist and opinion editor for the Des Moines Register. She previously covered the Iowa Statehouse for 10 years for newspapers in Davenport, Waterloo, Sioux City, Mason City and Muscatine. She is a leading voice on Iowa politics and makes regular appearances on state, national and international news programs. She has led national-award-winning coverage of the Iowa Caucuses and the Register's Iowa Poll.

Northwood Anchor Early Files

100 years ago

June 2, 1920

As usual Northwood observed Memorial Day in a decorous and highly appropriated manner and a very large crowd was in attendance in spite of the urgency of farm work. Rev. W.A. Hanscom delivered a powerful sermon to the veterans at the Baptist Church, which was crowded to capacity.

Mason City motor truck dealers, who were on a tour of towns in their territory, reached Northwood and spent the night, leaving the next morning for Kensett and Manly. The trip was made to acquaint the people with practicability of trucks for commercial work and farm purposes.

City superintendent Cecil, of Hampton, who was elected by the Worth County school board to the office of county superintendent on May 14, would not reconsider his declination of the offer. Accordingly, Mrs. Nora King, who has been teaching in the Plymouth schools, was elected to the place. She was an applicant. The lady is said to be a highly successful teacher and it is believed the school officials have made a wise choice.

At the Lutheran parsonage in Kensett the marriage of Oscar Larson to Miss Bertha P. Mikkelson. Rev. T. Sigmond, pastor of the Lutheran church spoke the words that united the loves of these young people. They were attended by Carl Larson and Miss Anna Knudsen.

Mrs. A.B. Lundberg, who makes her home with her son S.F. Lundberg, was 90 years old today and an occasion was celebrated by relatives and friends of Northwood and vicinity. Mrs. Lundberg came to Worth County 51 years ago.

75 years ago

June 7, 1945

Palmer Butler, 48, a lifelong resident of the Northwood vicinity, died of uremic poisoning at the Park Hospital in Mason City. He was a son of the late Lewis and Anna Butler, pioneer residents of Worth County. An attack of flu last winter was followed by a kidney ailment, which proved fatal.

Northwood's 11th annual community party which the Commercial Club will again hosting is set for June 19, at the fairgrounds. Furnishing entertainment for the evening will be the first women's military band in the history of the nation, the famous WAV band from the Women's Army Corps Training Center at Fort Des Monies.

Eugene Perry, the 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Perry, solved the puzzle as to his whereabouts when he rushed down the street from the Neuman living quarters on Central Avenue to see where the fire was when the city siren sounded, only to find that his prolonged absence from home was cause of the alarm.

Crop condition in this vicinity, and in all parts of Worth County, have gradually grown worse during the past two weeks, according to opinions expressed by AAA committee men and farmers from different sections of the county who are pessimistic In their views of crop conditions.

Seventh war loan bond sales in Worth County up to Saturday, June 2, were $413,946, or more than $130,000 short of the county's quota of $545,000, according to O.J. Wardwell, county chairman. Reports are compiled only once a week, it is understood.

50 years ago

June 4, 1970

Richard Roe, Deer Creek, national president of the Suffolk Sheep Association, grooms his sheep for National Lamb Show in Albert Lea on June 4 and 5.

Larry G. Stahl, Northwood, was arrested on May 29, and charged with intoxication on a public highway. Stahl had driven his car through the fence at the Worth County Fairgrounds and then was stuck on the newly seeded lawn of the Lee Swenson residence. He was released from jail after appearing before Justice of the Peace Morris Bakketun and paying a $100 fine.

David Rhein, a senior in education at Drake University, Des Monies, will be serving as newsman from the Northwood Anchor this summer. He carries a double major at Drake in social science and journalism. He will be working this summer in what is called a summer internship program to gain practical experience on a newspaper.

Sp 4 Ronald R. Gentz, who has been in Vietnam for over a year and is now near the Cambodian border received the army commendation Medical for Meritorious Achievement in the republic of Vietnam during the period February 1-27, recently. His wife Kathy received the award certificate signed by the secretary of the army. Kathy and their son Darrin are living here with parents, Mr. and Mrs. James D. Lee. Sp/4 Gentz is expecting to be discharged on July 20.

25 years ago

June 7, 1995

Northwood youngsters Cody Madden and Brock Mathahs got a good start on their summer vacation by wetting their lines in the Shell Rock River. The "fishin' hole" they seemed to be favoring is located just west of the footbridge that connects Swensrud Park to the municipal swimming pool.

Jon E. Groves, Northwood, Iowa, appeared in the Iowa District Court for Worth County at Northwood on May 31, 1995, for sentencing on the crime of possession of controlled substance, marijuana, before Judge Gilbert K. Bovard. The state was represented by Douglas A. Krull, Worth County Attorney. On his plea of guilty, Judge Bovard sentenced Groves to pay a fine of $250 plus 30 percent surcharge and court costs of $42.07.

For the second year in a row, Northwood manufacturing firm Carroll George Inc. has received the prized Key Supplier Award from the John Deere tractor company's Davenport works. Company president Gary George and executive secretary Jeannie Bruggeman receiving the award from John Deere Davenport works representatives Donna Lawless, Gary Teerlinck and Sharon K. Schultz, who presented the award in recognition of Carroll George Incorporated's top-quality products and on-time delivery.

10 years ago

June 9, 2010

Students in Northwood-Kensett elementary special education classes once again ended their school year with a relaxing afternoon of fishing and a pizza picnic lunch in Swensrud Park in Northwood. The five fine fisherman were Keano Batton, David Quisley, Wanna Quisley and Sidney Hauge and her grandfather.

Gregg Olson, Donnie Hagen and an unidentified woman read names of WWII veterans on the honor board at the D-Day celebration organized by the Worth County Historical Society.

Before the school year came to a close, as a part of the annual Community Connection Day, the junior high students sewed and tied several quilts which they sent to survivors of the Haiti earthquake. The Northwood-Kensett young quilters crafted nine quilts, which were sent to a children's home in Haiti.

This is a face of a standup, triple-base hit. Viking Derek Varner wouldn't be looking at home plate for long though, as a homer by Katcher sent each man trotting in for a point.

Behind the cure. Covering the first base for the Vikings, Savannah Lira had to stretch a bit to snatch the fastball by third baseman. Laura Severson then scrambled to pin down a hard-hit, squirrel West Fork grounder.

Northwood Anchor Obituaries

Robert 'Buffalo Bob' Virchow

Robert "Buffalo Bob" Virchow, 76, of rural Glenville, Minnesota, passed away on Sunday, May 24, 2020, at his home after a courageous battle.



ROBERT VIRCHOW

A memorial service to honor Bob will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday June 6, 2020 at Conner Colonial Chapel, 1008 First Ave South, Northwood, Iowa. The family will greet friends from 1 p.m. until the service time. Bob will be laid to rest at Stateline Cemetery at a later date.

Robert Duane Virchow was born on November 1, 1943, at the family home in Northwood to Russell Harold and Delores C. (Gordon) Virchow. Growing up in Northwood, Bob attended the Northwood Community School. Bob farmed in the area for numerous years and worked at Wilsons in Albert Lea. He was most known for his exotic animals and took pride in caring for them. Over the years Bob raised mountain lions, monkeys, elk, deer, bears and just about everything in between. He raised buffalo for 47 years, training numerous calves for movies and TV roles. These adventures introduced Bob to many people from all over the world.

On February 15, 1999, Bob married his soul mate, Debbie Sturdevant and together they shared a lifetime worth of adventures.

Bob was an energetic ball of excitement. He looked forward to driving teams of ponies and being a part of the Wagon Train. He enjoyed time at Sturgis and his Harley Davidson collection. Bob was constantly looking forward to the next animal swap or sale auction and never truly knew what prizes he might come home with. Most of all, Bob loved being a grandpa. Spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren brought him great joy and he looked forward to watching them play sports all over the area.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 21 years, Debbie; his children, Sandra (Gerald) Pearson of Hampton, Minn., Scott (Elizabeth) Virchow of Northwood, Iowa, Shawn (Tom) Nelson of Hastings, Minnesota, Todd (Sue) Virchow of Garner, Iowa, Bobbie Jo (Matt) Jacobs of Alden, Minnesota, Brandy Virchow of Lynnville, Iowa, Cody (Tori) Virchow of Osceola, Iowa, Jim (Jennifer) Mewes of Clarion, Iowa and Shawna (Justin) Pralle of Klemme, Iowa; 18 beloved grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren; a sister, Donna Nelson, of Lake Mills, Iowa; as well as numerous extended family members and countless friends.

Preceding him in death are his parents, Russell and Delores; a son, Kyle Virchow; a great-grandson, Lawson Strand; and a brother, Donald Virchow.

Floris Yezek

Floris L. (Calkins) Yezek, 89, of Manly passed away on Sunday, March 15, 2020, at the Lutheran Retirement Nursing Home in Northwood.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 13, 2020 at Bethel United Methodist Church, 503 E. South Street, Manly, Iowa with Rev. Cory Allard officiating. She will be buried in Manly Cemetery with her husband, Vern.

The family will greet friends from 9:30 to 11 a.m. prior to the funeral at the church.

Floris Luane Calkins was born on July 13, 1930, to Ray Lewis and Mabel Joan (Martinie) Calkins in Manly, Iowa. She graduated from the Manly High School and enjoyed attending her annual class and alumni reunions. She married the love of her life, Vern "Buster" Yezek on July 27, 1948, and to this union two children were born, David and Kathy. She resided in the town of Manly all her life until she moved to the Northwood Pines Assisted Living in 2016. She was a lifelong member of the Bethel United Methodist Church in Manly where she was baptized and confirmed.



FLORIS YEZEK

Floris started working at the Manly State Bank in 1964 and after 31 years took retirement. She served many years as a board member and financial manager of the Manly Retirement Apartments. She was an officer in the Mason City Bowling Association for several years and inducted into the Mason City Bowling Association Hall of Fame. She was a loyal member of the Entre Nous Circle of the Bethel United Methodist Church. After retiring, she became a volunteer at Mercy Medical Center and had much pleasure in helping others.

After her retirement, Floris learned how to play Bridge and enjoyed playing in three different card clubs. During her lifetime, she enjoyed bowling, golfing, playing cards and spending time with her family. One of her greatest joys was watching her grandchildren grow up and attend their school and sporting events, as well as 4-H activities.

She is survived by her son, David (Janet) Yezek of Glenwood, Iowa and daughter, Kathy (Dennis) Meyer of Northwood, Iowa; grandchildren, Brent (Stacey) Yezek of Austin, Texas, Amy Young of Glenwood, Iowa, Sara (Nick Woodward) Yezek of Gretna, Neb., Ryan (Kari) Meyer of St. Ansgar, Iowa, Travis Meyer of Kensett, Iowa, and Kristen (Casey) Shelton of Urbandale, Iowa; 10 great-grandchildren, Kyler, Kason, and Kelyn Meyer, Collyn and Addison Meyer, Max, Maisy, Sawyer and Georgia Shelton, and Seger Yezek; a sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Bernadette and Vernon Smith of Hemet, California; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Floris is preceded in death by her husband, Vern "Buster," her parents, Ray and Mabel Calkins; a brother, Dr. Richard Calkins and wife Lorraine; a sister, Marlene Lembcke; father and mother-in-law, Emil and Clara Yezek; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Grace (Keith) Trebil, Mary Jane (Russ) Barclay, Kenneth (Arvilla) Yezek and a great-granddaughter, Kadyn Halverson.

Open swine show set for June 16

Youth swine exhibitors will get a chance to compete with their pigs thanks to private organizers and community sponsors.

On Tuesday, June 16, the 2020 Worth County Youth Open Swine Show for 4-H and FFA members will be held at a private property. The event is not 4-H nor FFA sanctioned.

In the interest of safety, only exhibitors and their parents will be allowed at the show.

More details will be in next week's Anchor.

For information, contact Ray Gaskill at 515-559-4777.

Bolan

Bethel and Trinity UM Churches have added radio station 97.1 FM for Sunday morning worship. This joins in with the "Bethel of Manly" Facebook page. The services start at 10:30 am with Pastor Cory Allard. At a later time you are able to go to the Bolan Trinity UM Church Facebook page for the service.

Happy Anniversary Pastor Cory and Allan! They celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary on Sunday, May 31.

Marjorie Kenison Baskett

Marjorie Kenison Baskett, 94, of Columbia, Missouri, passed away peacefully on May 24 at Lenoir Woods. A private graveside service will be held at Ashland Cemetery in rural Howard County, near the site of her husband's historic family farm. A celebration of her full life will be held at a later date.

Born in Worth County, Iowa, on June 28, 1925, to Roy and Althea Hummel Kenison, Marjorie grew up on a farm near Bolan, Iowa. Marge or Margie, as she was known to friends and family, attended a one-room school, then graduated from Kensett High School and the Hamilton School of Commerce in Iowa. In the 1940s, she moved to Ames, where she worked as a secretary in the physics department at Iowa State College (later University) and enrolled in economics classes, then a rare major for a young woman. She was soon recruited to work in a secretive federal job, which she later learned was the Manhattan Project that produced the atomic bomb.

When the war effort ended, she moved to Iowa State's zoology and entomology department, where she met



MARJORIE KENISON BASKETT

Thomas S. Baskett, a Missouri-born naval officer returning to finish his PhD in wildlife conservation. They were married on Valentine's Day in 1947 and the next year moved to Missouri. Except for periods in Connecticut and Maryland, they spent their entire married lives in Columbia. Tom Baskett passed away in 1999 after 52 years of marriage.

She is survived by son, Richard Baskett; his wife, Jennifer; and their son, Paul, all of Columbia; daughter, Jann Baskett, her husband Randy Franklin and their son, Charlie Franklin, of Austin, Texas; and son, Tom Baskett, Jr., and his wife, the Reverend Laura Walters Baskett, of DeLand, Florida, and their son William Baskett, a graduate student at MU. She also leaves a brother, Donald Kenison, and his wife Darlene, of Albert Lea, Minnesota. Another brother and three sisters preceded her in death. Many nieces and nephews across the U.S. will miss their popular aunt, including many family members living in the Worth County area.

A beloved member of a large extended family, Marjorie Baskett was a modest, kind, and sharp person, with friends reaching from Iowa to Missouri and beyond. Her children had a loving, supportive mother, and her three grandchildren were, as she wrote, "her pride and joys." Never losing her curiosity, she read constantly and continued to learn throughout her life.

Mrs. Baskett was a member of Missouri Methodist Church, Chapter HK P.E.O., and the Ellis Fischel Cancer Center Auxiliary. She was also a lifelong supporter of her birth-community of Bolan and in recent years the Bolan Schoolhouse and Cultural Center.

Memorial checks can be made out to Ashland Cemetery or Lenoir Woods and sent to the Marjorie Baskett Memorial, c/o Memorial Funeral Home, 1217 Business Loop 70 West, Columbia, MO 65202.

Clarice Madson

Clarice Elaine Madson, 94, formerly of Mankato, died on Saturday, May 16, 2020, under hospice care at English Rose Suites in Edina.

A private family funeral service at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church and her burial in Somber, Iowa, are being planned. Memorials preferred to Mt. Olive Lutheran Church or Bethany Lutheran Seminary.

Clarice Elaine Huso was born at home to Albert and Amanda Huso on February 14, 1926, in Riceville, Iowa, and became one of God's children through baptism on March 17, 1926. She attended grade school and high school in Northwood, Iowa, and from 1944 to 1946 she attended Bethany Lutheran College, studying music.

In 1946 she met the love of her life, Juul Benjamin Madson. She and Juul were married on September 14, 1946, and remained devoted to each other for 62 years of marriage until Juul passed away in 2008. Clarice and Juul were blessed by God with nine children, Linda Kathleen Browning (Daniel), Mark Daniel Madson



CLARICE MADSON

(Sharon), Paul Michael Madson (Karen), David Huso Madson (Jan), Jonathan Noel Madson (Sharen), Timothy Juul Madson (Susan), Matthew Abel Madson, Joseph Benjamin Madson (Tiann) and Jennifer Laura Pederson (Brian).

Clarice was a dedicated pastor's wife from 1946-1970 in Northwood, Iowa; Tacoma, Washington; Mayville, North Dakota; and Cottonwood, Minnesota. She also worked as a florist during those years. In 1970, she moved to Mankato when Juul accepted a teaching position at Bethany Lutheran Seminary. While in Mankato, she took library science courses at Minnesota State and served as a librarian assistant at Bethany Lutheran College for over 20 years. She was an active member at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church where she sang in the choir and arranged flowers every Sunday for many years. In 2012, Clarice moved to Minnetonka and Edina for her final years to be closer to her daughters.

Her lovely soprano voice was one of her many gifts as she went on to sing in multiple choral groups including the Bethany College choir, numerous church choirs, the Minnesota Valley Chorale, and as a soloist at countless weddings and funerals.

As a wonderful mother, Clarice supported her sons' and grandchildren's many athletic teams and graciously cooked and baked for her family and friends. However, she is most admired by her children for pointing them to their Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Clarice is survived by eight children, 23 grandchildren, and 44 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Juul; her son, Paul; and her siblings, Wilford (Bill) Huso, Mable Tenold, Stella Smith, Gladys Smith, Doris Seward and Wayne Huso.

We rejoice that she now worships in heaven eternally before the throne of her Savior! Blessed be her memory.

N-K School

The Northwood-Kensett Board of Directors met in a Special Meeting on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 in the Secondary Media Center & Remotely via Google Meet at 7:00 P.M.

Members present in person: Larry Hovey; John Anderson; Roger Harris; Cindy Pangburn

Members present via Google Meet: Susan Kliment

Members Absent: none

(5-0) Approved the agenda

Next regular board meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2020 at 7:00 pm

New Business

(5-0) Approved participation in baseball and softball for the 2020 season with the use of the Assumption of Risk form regarding COVID-19 for all players

Discussion of additional COVID-19 issues related to Driver's Ed, Facility Use, Prom, Graduation. No action taken

(5-0) Approved the purchase of 80 iPads and cases for Kindergarten and 1st grade for approximately $24,720

(5-0) Approved the bid from Ross Gaetzke in the amount of $10,650 for concrete replacement at the secondary student parking lot

(5-0) Accepted the resignation of Kimberly Odegaard as Junior High volleyball coach for the 2020-2021 school year

(5-0) Approved Mackensie Sauerbrei as Junior High volleyball coach for the 2020-2021 school year

(5-0) Adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm

City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session at City Hall on 5/26/20 at 6:00 pm with Mayor Moehle presiding and the following council members present:

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

Motion to approve the agenda. Unam.

Motion to approve the following under Consent Agenda: Approve Council Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2020.

Following the public hearing there was a motion to approve Resolution No. 2005-15 Approve Amending the FY19-20 Budget. Unam.

Motion to allow the junior class and parents to host the N-K Prom in Swensrud Park pending the lifting of gathering restrictions, weather conditions, and school board approval on a date yet to be determined. Unam.

Motion that unfortunately due to COVID-19 the swimming pool will not open this summer. Aye: Tenold, Reeder. Nay: Meyer, Reeder, George-Zenz. Motion did not pass. Further discussion about the 2020 pool season will resume at the next meeting on June 8, 2020.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2005-17 Setting Salaries for the baseball & softball season which is allowed to begin on June 1, 2020. The Northwood Park & Recreation Board will be granted the authority to make the decision for teams to participate in practices, games, and also be responsible to meet reasonable measures for hygiene practices and other COVID-19 restrictions with guidance issued by IDPH. Refunds will be issued for anyone not wishing to participate. Unam.

Motion to approve a contract with Blacktop Services Company for sealcoating this summer. Aye: Reeder, Tenold, Nerlien, Georg-Zenz. Nay: Meyer. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle, Mayor

Amber Julseth

City Administrator/Clerk

Supervisors

May 26, 2020
Twenty second Day

The Worth County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment with A.J. Stone, Kenneth J. Abrams and Mark Smeby present.

This was an electronic meeting pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.8 – In circumstances where such a meeting is impossible or impractical due to concerns about COVID-19 and social distancing for the safety of board members and the public. Public access was made available by computer or telephone.

Stone led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Unless otherwise indicated, all of the following motions offered at this meeting were carried with the following vote: Ayes: Stone, Abrams and Smeby. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the May 26, 2020 agenda.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the May 18, 2020 board minutes.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the Road and Drainage Easement and Maintenance Agreement Amendment by and between Northern States Power Company, the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa and the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa as Trustees of Drainage Districts in Worth County, Iowa.

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to approve the change of date for DD #22/Lat 10/10B Landowner Meeting to July 27, 2020 at 10:00 A.M.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve drainage claims in the amount of $10,112.31 as per the following schedule:

Northwood Anchor.DD #2 Main, Publication.. $6,341.78
Northwood AnchorDD #3/ Lat 8, Publication..... $740.10
Northwood Anchor.....D D #15, Publication..... $723.80
Northwood Anchor, DD #16, Publication..... $450.96
Northwood Anchor, DD #38, Publication..... $689.50
Northwood Anchor.....D D #44, Publication..... $165.29
Northwood Anchor.....D D #54, Publication..... $671.77
Northwood Anchor.....D D #64, Publication..... $329.11
Grand Total.... $10,112.31

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve claims in the amount of $257,226.43 as per the following schedule:

A T & T, Service-911 .... 36.94
Aaron Stevens
Reimb-Eng 150.00
Advanced Drainage Sys Inc
Supplies-Eng 154.13
Agvantage Fs Inc
Fuel-Eng 2,954.87
All Flags, Llc
Supplies-Vaf 32.36
Alliant Energy
Service-Gsr 3,191.71
Ameripride Services Inc
Service-Eng 200.49
Bcn Telecom
Service-Gsr 87.28
Bell's Fire Stop Inc
Service-Wat 40.00
Bice Electric Llc
Service-Sdp 250.00
Carquest Auto Parts Inc
Supplies-Con 703.94
Cellebrite Inc
Service-Dap 3,700.00
Centurylink
Service-911 ..... 348.76
Certified Laboratories
Parts-Eng 588.55
Cintas Corporation
Supplies-Eng 64.88
City Of Fertile
Service-Eng 74.61
City Of Joice
Reimb-Res 2019.06.03.....
..... 5,000.00
Culligan Of Mason City
Service-Gsr 101.80
D & L Equipment
Supplies-Con 24.79
Dana Young
Service-Mex 350.00
Emergitech Llc
Service-911 ..... 11,919.90
Falkstone Llc
Rock-Eng 3,234.94
Fallgatter's Market Inc
Supplies-Shf 410.68
Farmers Feed & Grain Co, Inc, Supplies-Gsr..... 135.00
Francis Lauer Youth Svcs Inc, Service-Juj..... 839.70
Galls, Llc
Supplies-Shf 206.19
Government Forms & Supplies, Supplies-Rec 87.10
Grafton Welding
Service-Con..... 180.00
Green Canopy Inc
Service-Ema 75.00
Greve Law Office
Copies-Aty 61.50
Grp & Associates Inc
Supplies-Phd 36.00
Heartland Asphalt Inc
Supplies-Eng 3,647.31
Heartland Power Coop
Service-Wwt 2,702.33
Henry M. Adkins & Son Inc.
Equip-Aud 8,307.34
Huber Supply Co Inc
Supplies-Eng 225.08
Ia County Recorders Assn
Dues-Rec..... 200.00
Ia Secretary Of State
Notary-Shf..... 30.00
Itsavvy Llc
Supplies-Dap 1,650.00
J & J Machining Welding & Fabricating, Parts-Eng 83.70
Jessica Reyerson
Reimb-Phd..... 50.00
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc
Service-Shf..... 1,826.65
Kevin Springer Construction
Service-Gsr 100.00
Knudtson Automotive Service, Service-Shf..... 1,483.16
Larsen Plumbing & Heating Inc, Service-Gsr..... 4,223.90
Lawson Products Inc
Parts-Eng..... 1,122.14
Lexipol, Llc
Service-Shf..... 12,687.00
Liberty Tire Recycling Llc
Service-Eng 1,190.61
Luckason Tractor Repair
Service-Con..... 50.00
Manly Junction Signal
Service-Sup & Eng... 675.52
Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Dap 314.58
Martin Marietta Materials Inc
Rock-Eng 9,331.29
Mediacom
Service-Gsr 234.14
Medline Industries Inc.
Supplies-Phd 372.00
Midwest Acutech Llc
Service-Phd..... 1,481.20
Midwest Pipe Supply Inc
Supplies-Con 623.00
Midwest Technology Services
Service-Dap 187.50
Nacvso, Dues-Vaf..... 60.00
Nate's Powder Coating
Service-Con..... 150.00
Niacog, Service-Tra.... 240.75
No Ia Juvenile Detention
Service-Juj..... 525.00
No Wait Inside, Llc
Service-Dap 29.00
North Central Dist Of Ia Asr
Dues-Asr..... 400.00
Northwood Anchor Inc
Service-Sup & Eng... 697.12
Pathology Assoc Of Mason City, Service-Mex.... 1,500.00
Peopleservice Inc
Service-Wat & Wwt.....
..... 16,085.00
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc
Service-Ema 30.00
Quill Corporation
Supplies-Phd 73.88
R80 Llc, Fuel-Eng 118.64
Shield Technology Corporation, Service-Shf.... 13,275.00
Shred Right
Service-Phd..... 47.25
Staples Credit Plan
Supplies 653.44
State Hygienic Laboratory
Service-Con..... 32.50
Tempus Nova, Inc
Service-Dap 600.00
Tim Tuttle
Reimb-Eng..... 126.23
Top Of Iowa Trail
Service-Con..... 9,800.00
Trading Post
Supplies-Eng 92.92
Van Diest Supply Company
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Ver Helst Snyder Drug
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Verizon Wireless
Service-Eng 487.54
Visa, Service-Phd.... 2,737.71
Visu-Sewer Inc
Service-Wwt 930.00
Waste Management Of Iowa Inc, Service-Sdp..... 2,835.00
Watson & Ryan, Plc
Service-Asr 2,779.17
Whks & Co
Service-Eng 10,495.43
Windstream
Service-Eng 14.18
Winnebago Coop Telephone Assn, Service-Sdp..... 97.15
Wunsch Construction Inc
Service-Ndp 96,879.16
Ziegler Inc
Parts-Eng..... 185.36
Grand Total 257,226.43

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to approve the use of the court house grounds for a Bible Reading from June 27 – July 5 as requested by Sharyl Ferley.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to recess the regular session.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to open the FY20 Budget Amendment Public meeting at 9:00 A.M. Auditor Backhaus explained the Budget Amendment. Supervisor Stone asked if there were any public comments or questions. There were no public comments or questions.

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to close the public hearing.

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to reconvene the regular session at 9:06 A.M.

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to approve Resolution #2020.05.26.01

RESOLUTION
2020.05.26.01

Amend Fiscal Year 2019/20 Worth County Budget

WHEREAS, RESOLUTION #2020.05.26.01 Amends Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Worth County Budget as was published in official County newspapers (Northwood Anchor and Manly Junction Signal) May 13 & May 14, 2020, to authorize an amendment and appropriation of funds to the appropriate departments as specified;

WHEREAS, increase/ decrease in revenues are:

Capital, Reimb from Private Source 229,709
Conservation, Miscellaneous Refunds 9,800
..... 239,509

WHEREAS, increase/ decrease in expenditures are:

Supervisors, Civil Service Commission 100
Supervisors
Board Proceedings 2,000
Supervisors
Education & Training Services..... 2,000
Supervisors
Employee Group Ins - County Contrib..... 2,916
Capital
Data Processing. 250,000
Secondary Roads
Bridges..... 400,000
Secondary Roads
Roads 100,000
Secondary Roads
Roads & Bridges.. 76,843
Secondary Roads
Roads & Bridges.. 53,648
Secondary Roads
Miscellaneous 25,000
Conservation
Engineer Svcs/ Abstract-Appraisa 9,800
Conservation
Motor Vehicle - Capital Outlay 18,048
Conservation
Land Improvements..... 61,635
Medical Examiner
Medical & Health Services .....
.....
..... 5,000
General Services
Custodial Supplies 3,000
General Services
Fixed Plant & Equip/ Maint & Repair 5,000
Non-Departmental Budgetary
Fiscal Agent Fees - Wind Farm TIF 1,000
Non-Departmental Budgetary
Land Improvements..... 750,000
Organizations
Contrib to Other Gov't - City of Joice 5,000
..... 1,770,990

BE IT DULY ADOPTED this 26th day of May, 2020, with the vote thereon being as follows:

AYES:
Stone, Abrams, Smeby
NAYS: N/A
ABSENT: N/A

WORTH COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Aaron Stone, Chairperson
Kenneth J. Abrams, Co-Chairperson
Mark Smeby, Supervisor
ATTEST:
Jacki A. Backhaus
Board Clerk and County Auditor

Motion by Smeby, Second by Abrams, carried to approve the Class C Liquor License for Happy Time Resort LLC and Brackey's County View Acres LLC.

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to adjourn at 9:17 A.M. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be Monday, June 1, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Aaron Stone, Chairperson

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Fine Arts Awards

At a live-streamed event held on what was to be graduation day, Northwood-Kensett teachers recognized students for their achievements in artistic activities. Below are transcripts of the teachers' announcements.

Choir

This year's senior choir members have been hard-working, passionate, and often understated with their talents. During the course of the year, students earn letter points by participating in enrichment activities, such as honor choirs, as well as things like the musical, solo and ensemble, and performing the anthem at various school events.

In a typical year, students must earn 375 points to receive a letter, and 175 points for each additional pin. This year Reina Trosper earns an additional pin, and Lindsey Davidson earns 2 pins.

Sarah McCormick has earned her Choir Letter. Congratulations to all of you!

It is also my honor to present two significant scholarships for the Northwood-Kensett Music Department.

The Gilbert Charles Stevens scholarship is awarded to a Northwood-Kensett graduate that has displayed a high degree of interest and dedication to the study of music and plans to continue with music in college. The scholarship is in the amount or $2000/year for 4 years. This year's recipient is Austin Efflandt. Congratulations, Austin!

The Margaret Sigmond Music Scholarship has been established to assist students pursuing a music major, or to assist students planning to minor in or participate in music in college. Students minoring or participating in music in college are awarded $1000/year for 4 years. This year there are two recipients who plan to participate in music in college, Lindsey Davidson and Makaio Hoch.

Congratulations Lindsey and Makaio, and congratulations to the class of 2020! Best of luck to you all!

Art

This year's senior class has many students who worked endlessly to create wonderful art, learn new skills, and better their creative abilities. Typically we have our Top of Iowa Conference Art Show at Waldorf every year where students can display their work created throughout the year and may receive awards. Chloe and Tayah had attended in years past and had artwork created for the show this year. Although a traditional art show wasn't able to transpire, their hard work both in and outside the classroom, as well as planned participation in this year's show, doesn't go unnoticed. Chloe Luther and Tayah Lee have been awarded The Outstanding Artist Award of Excellence this year.

Band

This year's senior class has played a substantial role in the development and progress of the Northwood-Kensett Band program. Their active involvement in solo and ensemble festivals, summer bands, honor bands, along with numerous other musical activities, helped propel the band forward, and this year was no exception.

Over the course of the year, several students have been recognized for their hard work with invitations to participate in different honor bands. Most recently, three N-K seniors were selected to participate in the Luther College Dorian Honor Band Festival, just before spring break. Austin Efflandt performed in the select Symphonic Band, Makaio Hoch performed in the Sperati Band, and Peyton Pangburn performed in the Noble Band. Congratulations to these students.

Over the course of the year, all students earn letter points by participating in enrichment activities, such as honor bands, as well as things like All-State auditions, solo and ensemble, and other class-related events.

In a typical year, students must earn 100 points to receive a letter or pin. Unfortunately, many of the substantial point-earning events and activities occur during the spring. As a result, this year's points scale has been adjusted to include only those events and activities that were held before spring break.

The following seniors have earned pins this year: Lindsay Davidson, Ross DeArmoun, Austin Efflandt, Makaio Hoch, Tayah Lee, Peyton Pangburn, Reina Trosper. Congratulations to these students!

Our final Band award is the John Philip Sousa Award.

Created with the approval of Helen Sousa Albert and Priscilla Sousa, daughters of the famous composer and bandmaster, this award was first introduced in 1955 to honor the top student in the high school band. This award is presented in recognition of outstanding achievements and interest in instrumental music, for singular merit in loyalty and cooperation, and for displaying those high qualities of conduct that school instrumental music requires.

This year's recipient of the John Philip Sousa Award is: Austin Efflandt.

Congratulations, Austin, and congratulations to the entire class of 2020. Thank you for your hard work and contributions to Northwood-Kensett.

Speech

Our senior speech participants have worked very hard this year preparing for multiple contests. Lindsey Davidson participated in the Top of Iowa Conference Speech Festival and District Individual Contest. Lindsey earned 3rd place honors in the category of Prose at the Top of Iowa Festival. At District Contest, Lindsey earned a top Division I rating in the category of Prose. Lindsey also earns a bronze medal for cumulative points participating in Speech throughout high school. Sarah McCormick also participated in both the Top of Iowa Conference Speech Festival and District Individual Contest. At District Contest, she performed in the category of Prose, earning a Division II rating, and also in the category of Solo Musical Theatre, earning a Division I rating. Sarah also earns her Speech letter this year for cumulative points participating in Speech throughout high school. Congratulations on your achievements, ladies! Thank you to all of our seniors who have participated in speech during your high school career -- Sarah and Lindsey, as well as Peyton Pangburn and Reina Trosper. Best of luck to all of our seniors in your future endeavors!

Drama

The drama students were very excited to be working on the musical "Rock of Ages: High School Edition." Although the performance has been postponed, students had been working diligently at each rehearsal on building character, interpreting the music, studying lines, and learning choreography. Drama points were awarded based on work completed in rehearsals prior to spring break.

Chloe Luther worked many hours on set painting for this show and has earned her Drama Certificate.

Reina Trosper earns her certificate for her work in the role of Waitress during this production.

Lindsey Davidson worked as German-born Franzine in this production and has earned her Drama Letter.

Sarah McCormick staged many protests as Anita Bath and has earned her Drama Letter.

Peyton Pangburn worked in her third and final production this year as Frau Hilda Klinemann and has earned her Bronze Medal.

Congratulations ladies, and best wishes on the next stage of life! As they say in the theatre, "Break a leg!"

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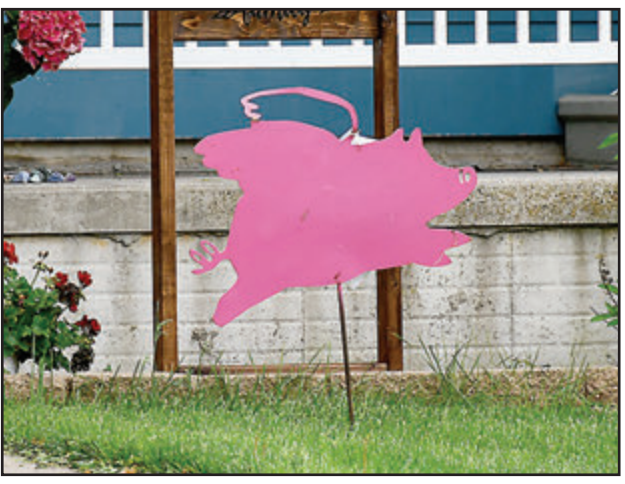


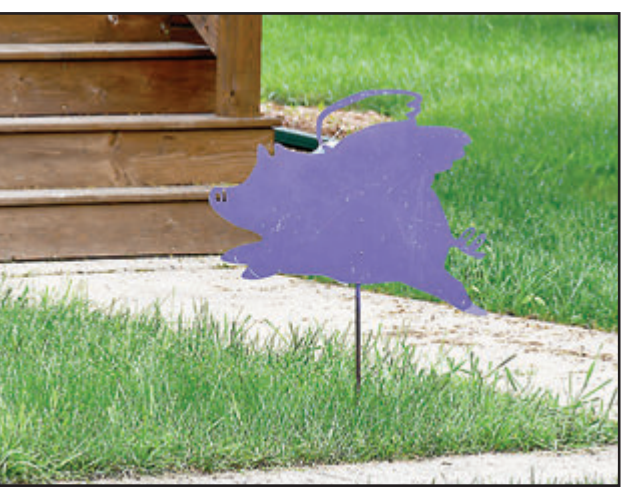
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