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Briefs

Livestock Boosters accepted through July 1

With the Worth County Fair, including the annual Ribbon Sale, canceled this year, fair organizers are offering a different way to show support for the youth and families that prepared and will present livestock during this year's fair alternatives.

A Livestock Booster Fund has been established as an alternate way to recognize the efforts of those that are taking part in this year's livestock shows and to offset the costs involved.

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 County Extension Service, 1206 Third Ave. North, Northwood, IA 50459. Contributions may be made through Wednesday, July 1.

Anyone with questions may contact the Worth County Extension office at 641-324-1531.

Fireworks fundraising continues

In a little less than two weeks, Northwood will celebrate its Fourth of July festivities, capped off with the fireworks display at the Northwood airport.

The patriotic 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.

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The Week's WEATHER

by National Weather Service Observer John Podgorniak

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues. June 16	82	60	
Wed. June 17	83	57	
Thurs. June 18	83	59	
Fri. June 19	83	64	2.62
Sat. June 20	71	62	T
Sun. June 21	71	58	.11
Mon. June 22	81	59	.67



Rain, wind, hail

Sunday night's severe weather brought heavy rainfall, strong winds and quarter size hail south and east of Northwood. The hail stripped the cornstalks, as pictured here in a field seven miles east of town. Rain averaged between one to two inches around the area.

Worth officials looking to safely reopen parks

Last week, Worth County officials made the decision to shut down two Worth County parks after excessive visitors and dangerous behavior created concerns for several County agencies.

As of June 15, Kuennen's Quarry was closed after a number of issues arose. Worth County Lake was also closed, as officials worried that big crowds and dangerous behavior would simply relocate. The County also closed parking on 450th Street, the road that runs alongside Kuennen's Quarry.

Representatives of several agencies met and ultimately decided that they had no choice but to close the parks. That includes the County engineer, EMS, public health, conservation and sheriff offices, along with the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company, which faced an increase in emergency calls to the park.



Worth County Conservation director Jim Hanson explained

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Northwood pool opens July 1, with new guidelines in place

The Northwood Municipal Swimming Pool will open on July 1, through August 9, with several additional rules and guidelines in place to mitigate COVID-19 concerns and State and federal guidelines.

There will be no daily passes. There will also be no pool parties this year.

All children 13 and under will have to be accompanied by an adult. Adults will be responsible for making sure that children observe social distancing.

Anyone that wants to use the pool in 2020 will have to purchase a season pass. Passes will only be available to those that live in Northwood or for families that live in the Northwood-Kensett school district.

Passes were to be on sale June 22, June 24 and June 28. See the story and ad in this

Pool, see Page 2

Worth County, city laws restrict fireworks use

As the Fourth of July approaches, some are lighting fireworks early. However, there are state and local laws and guidelines for the use of fireworks at this time of years.

Fireworks are available to be sold from June 1 to July 8. Those buying must be at least 18 years old.

Fireworks may be set off in unincorporated areas of Worth County through July 8, from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. The exception is for Saturdays and Sundays before and after the Fourth of July, until July 8, when fireworks may be set off from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m.

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Three new cases of COVID-19 in Worth

In the last week, Worth County Public Health had announced that three more cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in residents of Worth County.

On June 16, WCPH announced that a new case had been diagnosed in someone in the 41-60 age range. On June 18 a case was identified in the 41-60 age range. On Monday, June 22, a case, ages 18-40, was identified.

As of Friday, June 19, there were two active cases of COVID-19, in someone in the

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N-KHS Class of 2020 graduates Sunday

This Sunday, after a month's delay, and after weeks where they thought it might not be possible, the 37 members of the Northwood-Kensett class of 2020 will hold their graduation.

N-K's postponed commencement ceremony will be held this Sunday, June 28, at 1:30 p.m.

The class' flower is the blue rose. The class song is "Take Me Home, Country Roads" by John Denver. The class motto is: "Always knew after all these years, there'd be laughter, there'd be tears. But never thought that I'd walk away with so much joy but so much pain," by Hannah Montana.

To accommodate COVID-19 safety measures, the ceremony will be a little different in 2020.

Graduates, see Page 2

Northwood pool passes available June 22, 24 and 28

With limited capacity and other COVID-19 concerns, the Northwood swimming pool is requiring the purchase of passes, available only to local swimmers, to use the pool this year. Those passes will have to be purchase prior to the pool's opening on July 1.

The pool will be open July 1-August 9, with lap swim and aerobics offered from 10:45-11:45 a.m. each day. Open swim will be held from noon to

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Governor visits Manna

Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds stopped through Northwood last Tuesday to pay a visit to the Manna of Worth County food pantry. Shown above are (from left) Laura Helgeland, director of Manna; Pastor Solveig Zamzow, board member and pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Grafton; Pastor Tom Martin, board member and pastor of Elk Creek and Bethany Lutheran churches in Kensett; and Governor Reynolds. While there, Reynolds visited with board members, representatives from Food Bank of Iowa and press. Reynolds' visit to Northwood ended a day that saw her join Vice President Mike Pence at Winnebago Industries in Forest City and a visit to the newly opened drive through COVID-19 test site in Osage. Reynolds expressed her "heartfelt thanks" for the work that Manna does throughout the county.

Vikings bring home wins in first week — See Page 5

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Outside of those dates, permits can be obtained for other times by filling out applications and submitting them to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Fireworks can only be set off on personal property or with the permission of another property owner.

Fireworks can't be set off on public or state property or in county or city parks.

Worth County's city's have their own rules and laws for fireworks.

In Fertile, residents must have a permit to set them off in the city on all dates.

Grafton follows with state guidelines mentioned, similar to those in unincorporated areas.

Permits are required in the city of Hanlontown, on all dates.

In Joice, no fireworks are allowed in city limits.

In Kensett, residents can only set off fireworks on July 3 and July 4, form 10 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.

In Manly, fireworks rules match the County's, with fireworks allowed June 1 through July 8, from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. On the July 4 weekend and the weekend before this year, fireworks may be set off until 11 p.m.

In Northwood, fireworks can only be set off on July 3 and July 4, from 6-11 p.m.

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18-40 and 41-60 age ranges. There are five recovered cases in the 18-40 and 41-60 age ranges. That brings Worth County's total of people that have been diagnosed with COVID-19 to seven.

As of press time Monday, 444 Worth County residents have been tested for COVID-19.

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

Those with symptoms, or who may be interested in being tested can take an assessment and get more information at testiowa.com.

Health officials continue to remind people 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 the elbow/upper arm.
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Information on COVID-19, including the number and locations in Iowa, can be found online at coronavirus.iowa.gov.

Graduates
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There will be fewer well-wishers watching the ceremony, with each graduate allowed to invite seven guests to attend. And each graduate's guests will be seated so that they are six feet away from other groups.

Some of those at the ceremony will be attending while wearing face masks. The school is encouraging, but not requiring their use.

The commencement exercises will also be missing the musical interludes of the school's choir and band students.

The ceremony will include graduates entering the gym to the traditional processional music, but they will be single file and spaced six feet apart.

Class officers will speak and a video will be shown.

Then students will cross the stage one by one, making sure that they are alone on stage with a school board member, principal Keith Fritz and superintendent Mike Crozier.

After diplomas have been awarded, the students will leave the school single file. They have been asked to take photos outside or offsite to make sure there are no crowds inside the school.

N-KHS
CLASS OF 2020

Madison Bass
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Brody Branstad
Cameron Campbell
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Clara Davidson
Lindsey Davidson
Mackenzie Davis
Ross DeArmoun
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Kennedy Eskildsen
Blake Hagen
Isaiah Hagen
MacKenzie Hakes
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Makaio Hoch
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James Munson
Peyton Pangburn
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Tristan Rothove
Laney Ryks
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Madison Shoger
Kade Stambaugh
Jay Teepe
Ethan Thofson
Jaidyn Thompson
Emily Thorson
Reina Trosper
Eve Yezek

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week's Anchor for more information on sale times and costs.

The pool will be open daily. From 10:45-11:45 a.m., lap swim and water aerobics will be offered. Open swim will take place from noon to 6 p.m.

Before entering the pool, patrons, as well as staff, will be asked screening questions and turned away if they don't meeting screening requirements.

If patrons pass the screening they will have to show their season pass to the basket house employee, so that the names of those entering can be recorded.

The pool deck, the area outside of the water, will be divided into boxes so that there would be a minimum six feet of distance between individuals or groups, with areas marked around the outside of the pool. The expected capacity of the pool, with social distancing guidelines, is 90 people.

When the boxes are full, those wanting to swim will be asked to wait outside of the pool in social distanced lines, until a box opens and the area has been sanitized. Pool attendants will make a list, so that the first to arrive will get open spaces as they become available.

Signs on social distancing, hygiene practices, COVID-19 risks and other rules and requirements will be posted. Messages will also be shared over the PA system while the pool is open.

There will be additional staff at the pool, who will assist in sanitation. All staff will also use masks, gloves and hand sanitizer frequently.

Those at the pool will also be encouraged to wear masks when they are not swimming.

There will be no pool breaks this year, to limit the number of lifeguards in the basket house at one time.

Lifeguards will be stationed around the pool, including one to patrol for social distancing.

The pool's slides will be closed, as sanitization of the high-touch surfaces would be difficult and time consuming. There will also be no pool toys or equipment available.

The pool's concession stand will be closed. Water fountains will be turned off. Those coming to the pool should bring their own water or approved beverages in plastic containers.

The pool's diving board will be available, but a staff member will be on hand to sanitize the diving board hand rail surfaces between each use.

Swimming lessons will be offered, with some restrictions.

There will be a limit of eight students per level. Only one parent or guardian will be allowed to accompany each child. Families will be asked to wait on the front lawn until they are called in for lessons.

If any lifeguard is diagnosed with COVID-19, anyone sharing a shift with them will be asked to self-quarantine before returning to work.

Pool employees will also communicate with public health officials and contact any staff and patrons that may have come in contact with COVID-19 at the pool.

Should the pool have to close or hours change because of COVID-19 issues, messages will be shared on social media.

Passes
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6 p.m. Swimming lessons will also be offered.

Only those that live in Northwood, and families that live in the Northwood-Kensett school district, will be allowed entry to the pool in 2020.

Passes will be offered for each type of use. Lap swim and aerobics passes will cost $50. Nanny passes will be $50. Individual passes will cost $70. Family passes will be $110.

The price of the passes will help offset the additional costs of equipment and supplies to comply with COVID-19 guidelines.

Passes will only be offered on three days prior to the pool's opening. No daily entries and no passes will be sold after the pool opens.

Passes will be sold at the pool on Wednesday, June 24, from 8-11 a.m.; and on Sunday, June 28, from 4-6:30 p.m.

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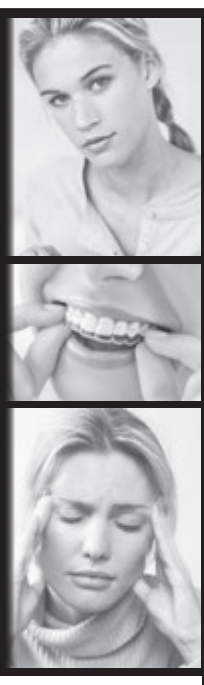


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the situation to the Worth County Supervisors at their June 15 meeting.

Hanson said that Kuennen's Quarry opened to foot traffic on May 26. With up to 30 cars parked on the adjacent 450th Street, the Conservation department decided to open the park. In the following weeks, nearly 300 vehicles were found at the park at times. Hanson noted that a busy day at the park would normally be around 200 people. In recent weeks, there have been as many as 1,000 to 3,000 people per day.

As Hanson noted, with area pools closed, Kuennen's became one of the only places to go to swim. That brought visitors from near and far, and from areas with higher COVID-19 rates.

And as a pool alternative, there have been many times when parents would leave young children at the quarry alone. That's a more dangerous circumstance than at a pool, where there are lifeguards and other supervision, Hanson noted.

"We've had conservation people out there 8-12 hours a day," Hanson said. "That's not something we were ready for."

Also, speaking as a member of the NVFC, Hanson noted that they had seen a big increase in emergency calls. While nothing disastrous had happened, Hanson said it was only a matter of time.

From a law enforcement standpoint, Worth County Sheriff Dan Fank said that his department had responded to as many calls at Kuennen's as they normally would in an entire year.

"We had a near drowning, a heavily intoxicated minor, assaults, driving complaints, and more," said Fank of incidents his department responded to. "None of us were prepared for how the situation escalated," Fank added.

"It just became unsafe and a burden on our departments," Hanson said. "It became more than local resources could handle, and it was well beyond any current CDC guidelines for safe gatherings."

The crowds and the ensuing threats of COVID-19 exposure with no social distancing and exposure from higher concentration areas, led to health concerns.



"When you have a large amount of people in one place like that, there's no way to effectively practice social distancing," Worth County Public Health director Jessica Reyerson said. "And that's not something we can enforce," she added.

For Hanson, it's not a matter of making his department's duties easier.

"It's a lot harder for us to keep these parks closed than it is to keep them open safely," he said.

While the parks are closed for now, County officials hope that is a temporary situation. But how to re-open remains a question, discussion amongst each other and with members of the public have provided some possibilities.

One solution, that both Fank and Hanson noted as being off the table, was only opening to Worth County residents.

"We can't legally restrict the park like that," Fank said. Hanson added that, besides being a public park, some of the funds used to build and maintain the park include stipulations that it be open to anyone.

Some of the other ideas mentioned by County officials include hiring a park host, as in years past. Officials are also considering banning alcohol. There may be a temporary fee or permit system required to use Worth County parks. Young people may be required to be accompanied by an adult.

"We value the public's input," Hanson said. "We've seen some good responses to our social media posts and I've talked to some people with some ideas and we welcome that."

"We need to talk with officials, and with citizens," Fank said. "Our number one goal is to have it open again. We want our parks to be a safe, family atmosphere. And we want the public's health in making that work."

"During this pandemic, people want to do things outside it. We just want to find a way for them to do that safely," Hanson said. "We're working on plans to offer a better, safer, family friendly park."

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

Vansteenburg awarded Ph.D at University of Colorado, Boulder

Dr. Jessica Vansteenburg has completed the requirements for her Ph.D in Musicology at the University of Colorado Boulder. Dr. Vansteenburg successfully defended her doctoral dissertation in December 2019 which was approved by the Department of Musicology and provided for participation in spring graduation at UC Boulder. Public graduation was postponed due to public health concerns, though all graduates received their degrees.

Vansteenburg's research was in the area of ethnomusicology. Her dissertation was entitled "Transnationalism and Popular Music at Transylvanian Hungarian Festivals." The research involved extensive travel during the summers of 2015, 2016 and 2017 gathering data in the Transylvanian region of Romania. This area was formerly part of Hungary, but was given to Romania in 1920 as a result of Post-World War 1 sanctions. The Hungarian music market, both folk and popular music, is transnational and includes the entire community of Hungarian speakers. This was the focus of the research.

Vansteenburg is a lecturer in music in the Libby Residential Academic Program at the University of Colorado Boulder. She also teaches woodwinds at Rocky Ridge Music Center. Previously she taught at Salem State University, Luther College and Belvoir Terrace Arts Camp. Vansteenburg earned a Bachelor of Arts in Music and English from Luther College, Master of Music from Ohio University, and a Doctor of Musical Arts in clarinet performance from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She has presented at annual meetings of the Society for Ethnomusicology, College Music Society, and the International Clarinet Association.

Vansteenburg is a 1999 graduate of Northwood-Kensett Community Schools. Her parents are Heidi and Jeff Vansteenburg, Battle Lake, Minnesota, formerly of Northwood.

City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in special session at City Hall on June 15, 2020 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 opening the swimming pool for the 2020 season following the plan presented by the pool manager. The pool will be open from July 1st – August 9th. Season passes will be required to be purchased before July 1st as there will be no daily admissions. Season passes will only be available to residents of Northwood and families whom attend the Northwood-Kensett Community School District. The COVID-19 operation plan will be followed to practice social distancing and ensure proper sanitization. The capacity limit will be set at 90 patrons. Hours of operation will be set by the manager. Unam.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2006-20 Setting Salaries/Fees for 2020 Pool Season. Unam.

Motion to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle
Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

Notice

WORTH COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2020-6-15

EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE and PUBLICATION AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE PARKING ON 450TH STREET IN WORTH COUNTY BE IT ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WORTH COUNTY, IOWA:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE. This ordinance shall prohibit all vehicles from parking on 450th Street from East of Highway 65 to the intersection with Pheasant Avenue.

SECTION 2. STOPPING, STANDING, or PARKING. No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle on any portion of roadway, the road right of way or the ditch on 450th Street from East of Highway 65 to the intersection with Pheasant Avenue.

SECTION 3. PENALTIES. Violation of this ordinance shall constitute a simple misdemeanor punishable by a fine of $65.00 to $625.00 plus the applicable court surcharge and costs and/or up to 30 days in jail. In addition, violators' vehicles are subject to be towed.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

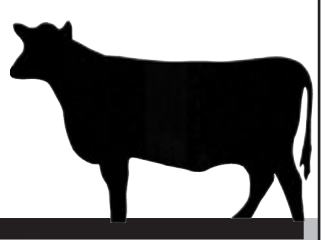
This ordinance was adopted on June 15, 2020 after waiving the second and third reading and will be effective upon publication of this notice.

North Iowa Junior Cattle Show
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- Health papers required!
- Exhibitors must be current 4-H or FFA members.
- Other 4-H members & FFA members are invited to exhibit.
- Market & Breeding Animals must be on record with 4-H or FFA Organizations.



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Facebook North Iowa Junior Cattle Show or Co-Chairs
Andrew Branstad, 641-590-2713 & Dave Irons, 641-324-1596

Northwood **SWIMMING POOL**
Pool Pass Purchase &
Swimming Lessons Sign-up Dates
Wednesday, June 24 • 8 - 11 a.m.
Sunday, June 28 • 4-6:30 p.m.
at Northwood Swimming Pool

Pool Passes must be purchased BEFORE pool opens on July 1
Due to COVID-19 passes will only be issued to residents of Northwood & families of Northwood-Kensett Community School District

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Did you know?



By Ann Hendrickson

As of this writing, it is Iowa Museum Week, so we gathered at the museum again.

Many thanks to Sharon Walk for her article last time.

Our situations have changed in one way or the other for all of us, but feel we are truly blessed to live in this area for so many reasons. It isn't a good thing to cough in public these days no matter how long you may have had the cough. So now we can relate...sneezing was a sign of imminent death during the plague in the 16th century. Thus the prases "God Bless You" and "that's nothing to sneeze at" came to have great meaning in those days.

The decision was made to open the Northwood Museum on Sundays beginning on July 5, 2020 from 2-4 p.m. A mask will be required to enter the building; no more than 10 people at once; hand sanitize will be available; and we especially ask that nothing be touched, only looked upon.

The other Worth County sites have provided their summer schedules: Grafton Depot will be open the first and third Sunday's in July and August from 1-4 p.m. They will also be open on Labor Day or other times by appointment; Kensett Museum is closed. Hanlontown Museum is closed for the summer.

Small towns may not be rich places, but they have a resource money can't buy, "hospitality." Please visit and prove them right!

We again say a huge "Thank You" to Amanda Girouard for keeping the museum "humming." Don't know if she would agree or not, but just read, "a filing cabinet is a place to lose papers alphabetically."

Come visit. Stay well.

Until next time…



Where there's smoke there's pork

Members of the Northwood Volunteer Fire Company dedicated hours over the weekend to preparing for an impromptu fundraiser alternative. With the normal fireman's raffle off the table for the volunteers this year, they instead cooked over 550 pounds of meat, staring on Friday evening, for meals to be served on Saturday. The NVFC members were happy with the result, with 987 meals and 1,170 sandwiches given out to grateful and hungry members of the community, for free-will donations. According to NVFC members, they exceeded their goal with the event.

IDPH reports first case of West Nile and first ever Heartland virus

The Iowa Department of Public Health announced recently that it has received the first reported case of neuroinvasive West Nile Virus this season. The case was confirmed by the State Hygienic Laboratory and is an adult (18 to 40 years old) from Polk County.

About 20 percent of people infected with West Nile virus will have mild to moderate symptoms such as fever, headache, body aches and vomiting. Less than one percent of people infected become seriously ill and rarely, someone dies.

In addition, IDPH has received its first ever report of Heartland virus. The individual is an older adult (61 to 80 years old) in Appanoose County. Heartland virus is a Phlebovirus that is thought to be transmitted by the Lone Star tick and was first discovered in 2009 in Missouri. Since then, cases have expanded across the Midwestern and southern United States. Symptoms include fever, fatigue, anorexia, nausea and diarrhea and treatment is supportive care.

"These reports are an important reminder that as Iowans take advantage of outdoor activities, they should take precautions to prevent tick and mosquito bites," said IDPH Deputy State Epidemiologist and Public Health Veterinarian, Dr. Ann Garvey.

The best way to prevent tick and mosquito-borne illnesses like West Nile and Heartland viruses is to:

Use insect repellent with DEET, picaridin, IR3535, or oil of lemon eucalyptus. Always read the repellent label and consult with a health care provider if you have questions when using these types of products for children. For example, DEET should not be used on infants less than 2 months old and oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under 3 years old.

Avoid outdoor activities at dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active.

Wear long-sleeved shirts, pants, shoes, and socks whenever possible outdoors.

Eliminate standing water around the home because that's where mosquitoes lay eggs. Empty water from buckets, cans, pool covers and pet water dishes. Change water in bird baths every three to four days.

Stay on trails when walking or hiking and avoid high grass.

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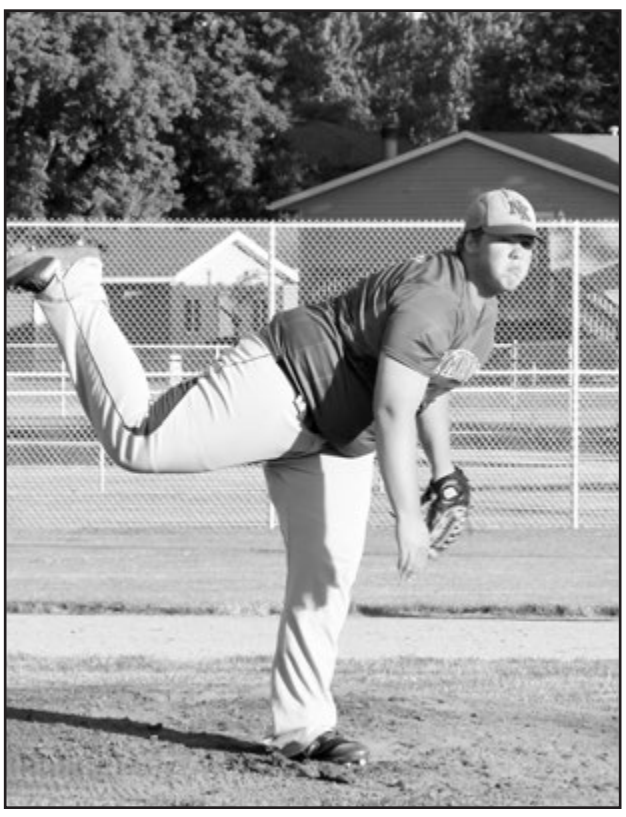
ETHIAN TASKER

Stat of the Week: *The Vikings' Ethian Tasker started the new year in mid-season form at the plate and on the bump. Tasker is now 3-9 at the plate (.333) and leads the team with a .600 on base percentage and a .778 slugging percentage. On the hill the talented junior has been just as good, working 11 innings with 13 strikeouts and, get this, a 0.00 ERA and a WHIP of .636, meaning he averages allowing less than one base runner per inning. Tasker has 163 strikeouts for his career and is now 10-6 overall but he is 10-2 since an 0-4 campaign his eighth-grade year.*



KAYLA SENNE

Stat of the Week: *N-K's Kayla Senne got the summer season started on a positive note, winning two games, an 18-8 rout over North Iowa and a 9-4 road win over West Fork. Senne has worked 22.4 innings this season and has 33 strikeouts to go along with an incredible ERA of just 1.85 and an even more impressive WHIP (walks, hits per innings pitched) of 1.06. The talented junior is now 23-37 for her career and has 477 strikeouts, leaving her just 23 short of 500 strikeouts.*



N-K's Jace Gentz delivers a pitch in last Wednesday night's 11-1 loss to Nashua-Plainfield. Gentz worked 3.1 innings but performed well despite the loss, striking out five and allowing only two earned runs.



N-K head coach Jeff Ferstein brings his team together in the top of the first inning last Wednesday night in Northwood after the visiting Huskies were reluctant to give up their first at bat. N-P scored four in the first and six in the fourth to secure the 11-1 win.

Vikings win three out of four to start the new season

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

The Northwood-Kensett baseball team shook off its COVID-19 rust and took the field last week for the first time this summer, winning three out of four games, beating North Butler, North Iowa and West Fork to finish the week at 3-1.

The first game of the season can be hard to watch at times as both teams are just starting to get used to playing ball again, but the one on opening night last Monday in Allison was a tough one as fans witnessed the two teams combine for 15 errors, seven of those by the Vikings.

But, despite those mistakes, the Vikings were able to stretch a 5-3 lead in the sixth to a convincing 14-3 win after pushing nine runs across the plate in the top of the seventh, earning the hard-fought victory.

Ethian Tasker, with the help of his bullpen of Caden Schrage and Brandon Varner, picked up the opening night win.

In a game that has become one of the team's biggest rivalries the past few seasons, mainly because of the North Iowa administration's lack of control over its unruly fans in Buffalo Center, the Vikings outlasted North Iowa 10-5 last Tuesday night in Northwood.

After N-K's Ross DeArmoun gave up two early runs to the Bison, the Viking bats responded with 10 runs over the next five innings to secure the 10-5 non-conference win. DeArmoun recorded his first win of the season after working 5.1 innings with five strikeouts and just two earned runs allowed.

Schrage led the way at the plate with a 2-5 night.

Boasting a perfect 2-0 record, the Vikings came into Wednesday's home game against Nashua-Plainfield eager to get that to 3-0, but the Huskies had other things in mind.

N-P pushed four runs across the plate in the top of the first and another six in the top half of the fourth, giving them a 10-run head start before the Vikings even got on the board.

N-K scored its lone run in the fourth as the team managed just two hits, one each by Carter Severson and Jace Gentz.

The Vikings wrapped up the first week of play on the road last Friday night in Sheffield taking on the Warhawks of West Fork and beat their Top of Iowa Conference East rival 3-1.

This game was a pitching and defensive struggle all the way, with both teams combining for just nine hits and 16 strikeouts before the Vikings were able to plate two runs in the top of the eighth inning to earn the win.

Hitting safely in the game for N-K were Cade Hengesteg, Tasker, Isaac Renteria and Kael Julseth.

With the three wins last week the Vikings are now 3-1 overall and stand at 3-1 in the TIC East.

This week's games included Monday versus Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock and this Friday at Mason City Newman, a team that has won three consecutive class 1A titles.

TIC East Standings
1. MC Newman.....3-0
2. Saint Ansgar.....2-0
3. Northwood-Kensett.3-1
4. Central Springs.....2-1
5. RRMR 1-1
6. West Fork 1-1
7. Nashua-Plainfield ...1-2
8. North Butler.....0-3
9. Osage 0-3

Lady Vikings stand tall at 2-2 after first week of play

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

Coming into this season there were doubts about just how competitive this year's version of Lady Vikings softball would be, but after the first week of play many are pleasantly surprised at the progress that's been made.

The gals from Northwood-Kensett played four games last week and came away with an even split, going 2-2 on the week with wins over North Iowa and West Fork while suffering losses to North Butler and Nashua-Plainfield.

The Lady Vikings opened the season last Monday when they traveled to Allison to face the Bearcats of North Butler and, while they came up a bit short, the 4-2 loss was a great improvement over past years, where the Bearcats have outscored N-K 75-3 in the eight previous games played between the two Top of Iowa Conference East schools.

N-K could manage just one hit, a single by Alexis Halbach, but managed to produce two runs, tying the score at 2-2 in the top of the third before falling by two runs, 4-2. Junior Kayla Senne pitched six innings and struck-out nine Bearcats.

But for the first night out and with COVID-19 still a concern, it's a game the coaching staff can build on.

"A couple of bloop singles is pretty much all they had against us," said Lady Vikings head coach Greg Parks. "Unfortunately those kids scored, but I'm pretty happy with the way we played for the first night out."

The Lady Vikings didn't have to wait long to get that first win when, the following night, they pounded North Iowa for 18 runs on 13 hits for a convincing 18-8 non-conference win, the first of the year.

The score was tied at 8-8 in the bottom of the fifth when N-K erupted for nine runs, overcoming its six errors to register the win over the Bison.

Olivia Stilley, after going hitless the previous night at North Butler, came out and led the team with four hits and three RBIs, while Senne picked up her first win of the season, working 2.2 innings with four strikeouts.

After suffering its second loss of the season last Wednesday night to Nashua-Plainfield, a 6-4 home loss, the Lady Vikings bounced back on Friday to even their record at 2-2 on the year with a 9-4 win over West Fork.

N-K jumped on the Warhawks early, scoring seven runs in the first four innings to secure the TIC East victory on the road.

Senior Peyton Pangburn led the team with three hits and a game high five RBIs.

Senne picked up the win, the 23rd of her career. The talented junior is now just 23 strikeouts short of 500 for her career after ending last week with 477 strikeouts to her credit.

After one week of play the Lady Vikings are now 2-2 overall and 1-2 in the TIC East.

Games this week included Monday versus RRMR, Tuesday at Riceville and this Friday at Mason City Newman.

TIC East Standings
1. Central Springs.....3-0
2. MC Newman.....3-0
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Lending a helping hand to teammate Addie Bachtle, senior Jaela Parks (right) follows the ball off of Bachtle's glove and makes the catch for the out in last Wednesday's 6-4 loss to Nashua-Plainfield.



The Lady Vikings' Alexis Halbach gets the team's lone hit in last Monday's 4-2 loss at North Butler. Halbach is 4-14 on the year and has a bating average of .286 after four games played.

Digital imaging project puts county records online

By Erin McCord

Inside the two black trailers tucked in behind the Worth County Courthouse last week, the recorded history of the county was being digitally preserved.

The services were provided by U.S. Imaging/Tyler Technologies and were paid for by a grant to the county from the Worth County Development Authority totalling $229,708.90. The scanning project lasted from June 8 until June 20.

Project leader Kevin Yaw said that in his job, which has taken him to 33 states in the five years he has worked for the company, the Worth County project was one of the largest he had been involved in.

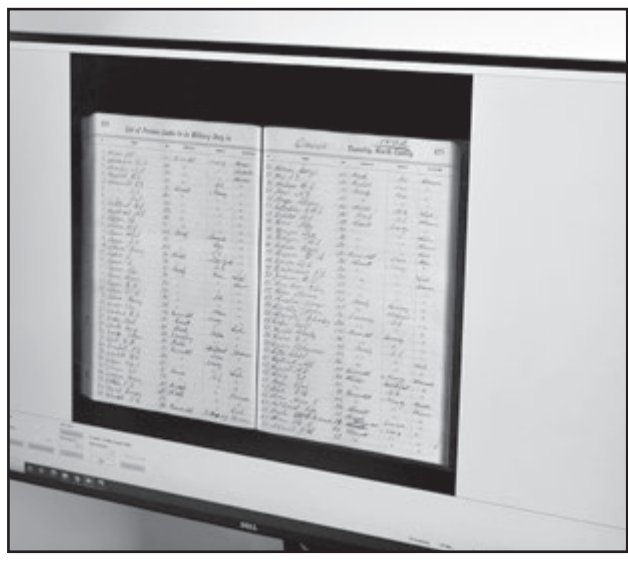
Two crews working 12 hour shifts day and night worked their way through the stacks of the county's record books, scanning each book page by page on three scanners set up in the trailers. In the basement of the courthouse, another team member scanned the county's maps on a portable over-size scanner.

The entire archives of the county, going back well into the 1800s, including marriage records, military service eligibility, maps and real estate records, are among the thousands of pages of documents now digitally stored for posterity.

County Recorder Teresa Olson said that the idea to digitally preserve the county's archives had been floating around the offices for years. As the courthouse building has been having more age-related issues, the need became more urgent, but the cost was prohibitive.



The map scanner was set up in the basement of the courthouse so the county's maps and oversize documents could be recorded. According to Yaw, one of the maps they scanned had been drawn on a bedsheet.



One page of a military service eligibility book, dated 1890, is shown above after being scanned into the U.S. Imaging computer.

Olson met a representative of U.S. Imaging, Rhonda Olson, at a conference she attended in Des Moines. The representative made the trip to Worth County to do a count of the archives in each department in order to give the county an estimate of how much the project would cost.

From there, Olson and county IT/GIS director Joel Rohne decided to write the grant for the project to the WCDA, with the thought that they might be awarded a little money at a time for the project.

"It was a big surprise when we got the whole thing!" Olson recalled.

With the cost of the project covered, it had been scheduled to begin in early spring, but COVID-19 pushed the start date back to summer.



Kevin Yaw is shown with one of the scanners used to record the county archives. He and his crew used three scanners and one large map scanner to image the county's records.

After the scanning project is done, the image files of each page of each record book will be processed for clarity and then a sampling of files will be sent back to Olson for approval.

From there, the files will be available at the courthouse, and copies will be sent to the Iowa Land Records service and U.S. Imaging will retain a set as well.

"These records will help the abstract people, and a lot of people come here for research, so this project will help make all that easier," Olson said. "It also means we don't have to have direct access to the books, if we need to store them somewhere safer."

Olson anticipates that the project will be complete and receipts ready to turn in to the WCDA this fall.



The two U.S. Imaging trailers, where crews worked 24 hours a day, seven days a week for almost two weeks to scan thousands of pages of archives.

Northwood receives funds from Wellmark 3-Point Play program

Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield is awarding six communities in Iowa and South Dakota funds ranging between $10,000 and $18,000 as part of its 3-Point Play program. One of those is the City of Northwood.

Throughout the entirety of the 2019–2020 college football and basketball seasons, each time a successful field goal was kicked or 3-point basket was made during a game, area sports fans were encouraged to nominate their Iowa or South Dakota hometown for a chance to win money for their community.

"Over the past 10 seasons, we've been fortunate to help our communities support more than 60 unfunded or underfunded health projects through the 3-Point Play program," said Chris Verlengia, Wellmark's senior brand marketing manager. "It's inspiring to watch this program grow and positively impact so many people. These projects encourage Iowans and South Dakotans to lead healthy lifestyles, and by partnering with hometowns across both states, we know we're moving residents toward a future of better health."

At the end of the 2020 basketball season, the nominations were tallied. Several hundred hometowns were nominated between the two states.

Northwood was one of the six selected. Northwood's amount was connected to the performance of University of Northern Iowa teams. A Northwood project that promotes a safe and accessible environment for physical activity will receieve $16,160.

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"There are times when the thing most responsible for your suffering is your own mind." -Yuval Harari. The above remark by the Israeli author Yuval Harari was made to a reporter on a plane waiting for take-off which had been delayed, after a man stormed to the front of the plane and demanded to be let off. If you've ever sat on a plane and waited 30 or 40 minutes for take-off, you can probably empathize with that man, knowing how easy it is for mild anxiety to turn into panic. Many people feel claustrophobic on planes and have to remind themselves that everything will be okay, and there is no reason to panic over a delay. Missing a connecting flight can seem like a tragedy, but it happens thousands of times every day. The human mind is a wonderful thing; it allows us to plan for the future and consider different ways of handling difficult situations. But it can also be a source of tremendous suffering. How many of us have lain awake worrying about something that never came to pass? We imagine the worst and then can't stop worrying about it. Even more troubling is the way in which we can suffer from things in the past, which we have absolutely no power to change. We've all made mistakes which we regret, but the wise person doesn't dwell on them and simply tries not to repeat them. In this same category of things from the past which we cannot control are real or perceived wrongs that have been committed against us. We often stew over something that someone said or did, creating bitterness and rancor in our hearts. It is best to live in the present, and enjoy it as a gift from God. –Christopher Simon

"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." – Matthew 6:34 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

In the world of pickles there are two types of people: the makers and the eaters. I fall into the second camp. I love dill and sweet and beet and asparagus and Brussels sprouts...all pickled. And, since I have gotten through life with a little help from my friends (me and Ringo!) I now have several delicious, tried and true, pickle recipes. The friends who made my life a little better this time are Molly Bachtle and Delores Knudson. Molly makes refrigerator pickles, both sweet and dill; Delores gifted me with a jar of beet pickles made from her mother's recipe. I'm presenting Anchor readers with the recipes, with their blessings and suggesting that you share jars of your riches with YOUR friends.

Molly's Garlic Dill Refrigerator Pickles (like a hamburger dill)

Brine:
3 cups sugar
3 cups white vinegar
1 ½ cups wate
6 tablespoon pickling salt
Bring this to a boil.

Wash the cukes and slice across, filling an ice cream bucket. Alternate layers of cukes with thinly sliced onions. Add 6 heads of fresh dill and chopped fresh garlic cloves to your taste. Pour the hot brine over the veggies and put on the lid. Let them sit for 24 hours, then refrigerate. These will keep for a year or more in the fridge. Molly recommends using a mandolin slicer for both the cukes and the onions to get nice uniform slices. She also recommends using "straight eight" variety cucumbers which are long and slim. Don't let the cukes get to big or they will be too seedy. The name Connie Nelson was also on the recipe page so I'm assuming that's where Molly got the recipe originally.

Molly's Refrigerator Sweet Pickles

7 cups thinly sliced cucumbers
1/2 cup diced green pepper
1/2 cup diced onion
1 cup white vinegar
1 1/2 cups sugar
1 teaspoon EACH of pickling salt, celery seed and mustard seed. Mix all the ingredients together and keep in the refrigerator for a year.

Molly's Bucket Dill Pickle Spears

Wash the cucumbers and slice into quarters length-wise. Slice each quarter into spears. Lay the cukes in an oblong ice cream bucket along with fresh dill and at least 3 garlic cloves per layer. Make the following into brine:
8 cups water
2 cups white vinegar
1/2 cup pickling salt

Bring this to a full boil and pour over the layered cukes and onions. Put the lid on the bucket and let it cool for an hour. Refrigerate; they are ready to eat in 5 days. SANDY'S NOTE: the recipe did not indicate this but I would smash the garlic cloves or slice in half to let the flavor reach the cukes more easily.

Molly's Quick Pickles

7 cups thin sliced cucumbers
1 cup thinly sliced onion
1 cup sliced green pepper (optional)
1 cup white vinegar
1 rounded teaspoon salt (optional)
1-2 cups sugar
1 tablespoon celery seed

Heat the vinegar, water, sugar and spices until boiling. Pour over the sliced cukes and onions in a container and cool. Refrigerate and enjoy!

Delores' Mom's Beet Pickles (made with Russell's beets)

Wash and trim 1 canner full of fresh beets. Cover with water and bring to a boil. Cook until tender and the skin slips off easily. Drain and cool. Cut into chunks and place in clean hot jars. Make the following into syrup:
8 cups sugar
4 cups CIDER vinegar
4 teaspoons salt
2 cups water.

Heat until the sugar and salt are dissolved. Tie ¼ -½ cup pickling spices in a cheesecloth bag and boil it along with the syrup. Pour the hot syrup over the beets. Remove any air bubbles and clean the jar rims. Adjust the lids and tighten. Process for 30 minutes in a boiling water bath.

The types of pickles I've enjoyed from these two friends are what used to be entered in county fairs and local contests. They were brought to church suppers and potlucks and it was rare for anyone to go home with leftovers. I taught cooking classes for many years but never taught canning. My mother used to can tomatoes because we used a lot of them in cooking but pickles were generally purchased at the market. Sometimes she, too, got along with a little help from her friends and was given homemade pickles. If I can score some straight eight cukes or some fresh beets this year, I'll give these pickles a try. And...that's all she wrote.

Northwood Anchor Society

Petersons celebrate 50 years

Maynard Peterson and Barbara Brevig were married on June 27, 1970, at the Bethany Lutheran Church in Kensett, Iowa.

The couple are the proud parents of three children, Kimberly Olson of Joice, Iowa, Melissa and Mark Odom of Garner, Iowa, Carrie Ross of Lake Mills, Iowa; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

In celebration of Maynard and Barbara (Brevig) Peterson's 50th wedding anniversary on June 27, their children would like to honor them with a card shower.

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Their family is looking forward to helping them celebrate.



MAYNARD AND BARBARA PETERSON



A fowl family

This family of Canadian geese was spotted near Worth County Lake last week. While the park closing does not mention geese, the birds weren't taking any chances, instead spending time in the area north of the park (which is private property).

Options open for Iowa State Fair 4-H livestock shows and events

The Iowa State Fairgrounds will host a Fair Special Edition: Iowa 4-H and FFA Livestock Show this summer, following the postponement of the 2020 Iowa State Fair.

The revised schedule for 4-H livestock shows will be spread out over three weeks and held Thursday through Saturday – August 6-8, 13-15 and 20-22.

Due to safety concerns, there will be no in-person static exhibits or judging held on the Iowa State Fairgrounds this year. Virtual alternatives for those activities are still being considered and details will be released soon.

To limit attendance at livestock shows, youth exhibitors will be allowed to bring only two people with them. All attendees and exhibitors will be required to wear a wristband. The Iowa State Fair will sell wristbands to the public and will cap the number sold at 1,000.

"We can't thank the Iowa State Fair Board and staff enough for their support and cooperation to provide an exhibition opportunity for our 4-H youth livestock members," said Debbie Nistler, Iowa 4-H state program leader for Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. "The life skills these young people gain from their livestock project experience is invaluable and the Iowa State Fair is the culmination of that experience."

To protect the health and safety of everyone, this Special Edition show will follow all Iowa Department of Public Health and CDC recommendations for social distancing, handwashing and sanitization.

Information for 4-H families and youth exhibitors can be found on the Iowa State Fair 4-H Livestock page at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/statefair/livestock.

More information on the Iowa 4-H Youth Development program is available by local county ISU Extension and Outreach offices or visit the Iowa 4-H website at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h.

Worth County Fair 4-H and FFA livestock Booster Fund being established

While the Worth County Fair is not being held this year, the Worth County Extension Service is offering 4-H and FFA Livestock members an opportunity to either exhibit in a virtual format or in small scale exhibitions with CDC Covid-19 Safety precautions in place.

The traditional culmination of the Fair with the Livestock Ribbon Sale is not taking place this year, however a youth livestock booster fund is being established to aide 4-H and FFA members who had already made the financial commitment to exhibit livestock at this years' 2020 Worth County Fair. The money raised in the booster fund will be shared equally by all youth livestock exhibitors.

Those wanting to donate to the fund are being asked to please consider sending a contribution to the Worth County Extension Office at 1206 3rd Avenue North, Northwood, Iowa 50459.

Call Worth County Extension Office Manager, Lacey Waller or Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist at 641-324-1531 or email lwaller@iastate.edu or djohn@iastate.edu for further information.

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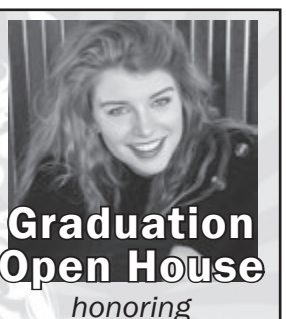
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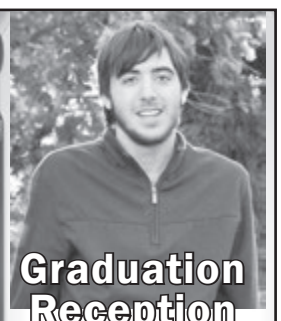
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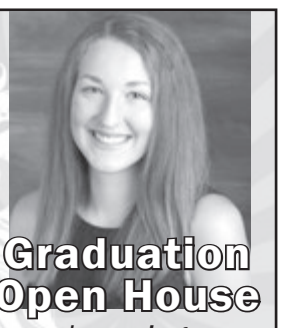
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Saturday, June 27
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Graduation Open House

I would like to thank the whole N-K community including my family, friends, and the many local businesses that have supported me over the last four years during high school and in athletics; especially this last winter when I qualified for state wrestling. My family and I would love for you to come to my graduation party to help me celebrate a great chapter in my life.

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Veterans in Worth County!

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Also looking for a couple of the youngest veterans or interested High School students to walk alongside these vets to help hand out pocket Constitutions.

I have steps to help get in and out and can meet you at the parade start or pick you up (in another vehicle). I have candy to throw for the kids and pocket Constitutions for others. I'll select the oldest responders and let you know Monday, June 29.

Call me to give your service & age 641-529-0975



A sign of hard work

TUNE members and some young volunteers, Molly Hunchis, Laura Hopperstad, Brianna and Hailey Hepperly, spent time last week taking care of landscaping at the Welcome to Northwood signs around the city, including at the south entrance to the city, pictured above. The new and improved areas are in place to welcome those visiting and welcome those returning to the city.

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11 a.m. Parade

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After the Parade at the Worth County Fairgrounds
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Strike Zone will be Open

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1 p.m. Horseshoe Tournament in Swensrud Park

5 p.m. Bean Bag Tournament at Strike Zone

5 p.m. Volleyball Tournament at Strike Zone

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Food by Signatures Supper Club at the Basketball Court

Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Out of the mouths of babes

Slices of Life

By Jill Pertler

Kids have their own unique view of the world. From the time they start to talk until about age eight, they're seeing things from a three or four-foot perspective, while the rest of the population (aka grown-ups) are operating from a five or six-foot point of view. This can result in misunderstandings, misconceptions, mistakes and humor at its best.

On mealtimes and eating:

When our oldest son was about to turn 6, we asked him what he wanted for his birthday dinner.

"I want yon!" he replied without hesitation.

We must have given him a puzzled look. "You know, the stuff that's on fire," he explained.

"Fire?" I was still stumped.

"You and daddy had it when you went to that fancy restaurant," he said. "You know, flaming yon!"

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Sports, leisure and holidays:

Last fall, our youngest was getting ready to go out hunting with his dad who explained that part of the required clothing was an orange jacket. "You have to wear orange when you go hunting," he explained.

"Why Daddy?" our son asked. "Is it so the deer will think we're pumpkins?"

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Our youngest was suited up for his first hockey game when he pointed out that his was missing an important piece of equipment.

"Next time you go to the store can you get me a cup?" he asked, referring to an athletic protector. "Because if I fall down on the ice, I don't want to hurt my squares," he explained, in an obvious mix-up of his shapes.

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The family had to take a trip to the town of Grand Rapids on a Saturday afternoon. We piled everyone into the car, completed the hour-long drive, ran our errand and were on our way home when I noticed that our middle son was looking very glum.

"We're going home already?" he asked. "I thought you said we were going to get to grab rabbits!"

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"Mama, did you have Santa when you were a little girl?" my youngest son wondered this Christmas.

I nodded, yes.

He pondered this for a moment before asking, "Then shouldn't he be dead by now?"

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On marriage and family

When he was 3, one son came home from preschool and announced proudly, "When I grow up I'm going to marry Bobby!"

Thinking quickly, I asked, "If you marry Bobby, then who will be the wife?"

Without missing a beat, he answered, "Oh, we'll get some woman to do that."

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My wedding dress has been in a large cardboard box in the basement forever. One day, it caught they eye of one of the boys and must have perked his curiosity. "What's in the box?" he asked.

"My wedding dress," I answered.

"Oh," he replied nonchalantly. "Who you gonna marry?"

Grabbing rabbits, eating yon, and wondering whom your (happily married) mother should marry – all respectable points to ponder when you are in kindergarten. Having the kids around helps me remember that the world isn't always a logical place, and sometimes mistakes and misunderstandings can actually help us learn new things. It's a good lesson to remember – at any age.

Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright and author. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.



Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Masked Meeting

I believe it's good luck to hold my breath when an ambulance goes by.

I never heard of doing that.

Are you going to start?

No, I think it'd be better luck if I held my breath when a hearse went by.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor, named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me, such as: I owned a 1959 Rambler Six Custom Sedan when I was a teen. It had a radio and rust. I decided to scrape off the rust. I had yellow paint and no money, so I covered the scraped spots with yellow paint. You can't be a true idiot without experience. The result was a polka-dotted car. That made it easy to find in a parking lot. To give the car an elegance, I bartered for three used baby moon hubcaps.

A friend, Jim Finseth, said his father (Ken) had worked at Pop Moon's in New Richland. That was a Phillips 66 gas station before gas stations became convenience stores. Pop sold gas and to supplement the family income, he sold alcohol (Moonshine?) during Prohibition. He was caught and fined. In 1934, he sold the station and moved to California to escape his notoriety and winter's cold. Pop bought a restaurant there, which became Moon's Cafe. His son Dean started Moon Automotive and in 1954 produced a spun-aluminum wheelcover called the Moon Disc. The business later became Moon Equipment and made baby moon hubcaps that turned my polka-dotted 1959 Rambler Six Custom Sedan into a boss hot rod.

Keeping a lawn story short

The lawn mower was invented in 1830 by Edwin Beard Budding, an English engineer. What did people do about lawns before then? Ignored, ate or used a scythe on them. Had no lawn or grazed livestock. Our riding lawn mower is dilatory, inclined to delay or waste time. In other words, it doesn't work. We've had it repaired several times, but it refuses to go back for mower.

Everyone looks good when bending over in a garden

Gardening is no bowl of cherries. It's not even a bed of roses. Or maybe it is a bed of roses, complete with thorns. We're all in this together. That includes rabbits, deer, chipmunks, squirrels, slugs and a dazzling array of worms and insects. The rabbits have been eating well this year. Apparently, the rabbit economy needed a stimulus package. The secret is to raise only onions. Rabbits aren't fond of them.

Nature notes

Female buffalo gnats (turkey gnats or black flies) bite chunks from my skin and feed on the blood. They punch above their weight and cause intense reactions and painful itching. The end of May and early June is prime time for these insects that breed in moving water. I'm happy I can the see gnats, but I'm never happy to see them.

An indigo bunting sang "Fire; fire; where? where? here; here; see it? see it?" This bird nests in brushy and weedy habitats on the edges of farm fields, woods, roads and railroads. I see nests in raspberry thickets and on corn and ragweed plants.

A red-headed woodpecker stores insects, nuts and seeds under bark, in cracks in fenceposts, under shingles, etc. It catches flying insects and forages on the ground. It occasionally drills holes in dead trees searching for wood-boring larvae, but flying insects are more important to its diet.

I heard the rattle of a belted kingfisher. The scientific name for this top-heavy appearing bird is Megaceryle alcyon. In Greek mythology, Halcyone was the daughter of Aeolus, god of the winds. She was changed into a kingfisher by other gods. Each winter, Aeolus calms the winds briefly so Halcyone could incubate her eggs in peace. The expression "halcyon days," means a time of peace, joy and success.

Marcella Goette of New Richland found a dead yellow-billed cuckoo. I hear a cuckoo's hollow, wooden-sounding croaking call often given in response to loud noises. Its tendency to call at thunder led to its colloquial name, the rain crow. This prodigious eater of caterpillars produces a guttural "k-k-k-k-k-k-kow-kow-kowlp-kowlp-kowlp-kowlp" on hot, muggy days tending to engender thunderstorms.

I watched a groundhog (woodchuck or whistle-pig) eating mulberry leaves in a tree. It also enjoys Dutch clovers and dandelions.

Toni and James Perschbacher of Albert Lea are being visited by a banded pigeon. The bands indicate the racing pigeon's organization, club and its hatch year. I get many reports of lost pigeons and have found most owners aren't interested in recovering a poor performer, so enjoy its company.

Meeting adjourned

"Kindness, like grain, it increases by sowing." — English proverb

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Fit to print...

Celebrating Iowa museums, online or in person

By Jeff Morgan
Iowa Culture Wire

Most years, Iowa's museums attract 5 million visitors, support more than 6,000 jobs and generate an estimated $384 million into the state's economy.

This year is different — some museums are just starting to reopen amid the Covid-19 pandemic — but there is plenty to celebrate during Iowa Museum Week, set for June 8–14.

As Gov. Kim Reynolds pointed out last month in her annual proclamation, "Iowa's museums have risen to the challenging environment created by the Covid-19 virus and are serving communities in many ways, including providing digital resources and online educational activities."

Last month, the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs virtually convened more than 100 leaders from across the state to create the Iowa Arts & Culture Reopening Task Force. Together, they discussed what museums and other organizations can do to reopen safely — and what they can offer online in the meantime.

"We were so inspired by the hard work and collective expertise of Iowa's museum directors and other cultural leaders who are finding creative ways to serve their communities in these extraordinary times," said Chris Kramer, director of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs. "To remain relevant, museums have offered virtual tours and educational programs and are now planning to reopen in phases, with timed-tickets or reduced capacity while still offering an engaging experience."

The education team at the State Historical Museum of Iowa in Des Moines, for example, has created a free stockpile of online resources, including "Iowa History 101" webinars and at-home activities for all ages.

The National Czech and Slovak Museum and Library in Cedar Rapids partnered with a local chef to teach online cooking classes.

In Elk Horn, staff at the Museum of Danish America are also offering online programs while they prepare to reopen the museum's doors to the public.

"Our grounds are open and have been, and we've been doing virtual tours so people can see the galleries" said the museum's executive director, Tova Brandt, who also chairs the State Historical Society of Iowa Board of Trustees.

"We recognize those who come in person and those who visit online are not always the same people," she said. "So the challenge is to stay connected with our neighborhood and local communities and re-establish all those ways people engage with the museum."

In Fort Dodge, the Blanden Art Museum has spent the past several months reformatting traditional programs for the internet — and the staff is thinking ahead.

"We're looking at doing video releases for our artists rather than having in-person receptions," director Eric Anderson said.

The Blanden reopened on June 3 with reduced hours and small tour groups. Some of their online experiments will continue.

"We've done live presentations, history talks, online galleries and other things that we'll probably keep doing even after we reopen," Anderson said. "That's been the whole upside to the downside. It's forced us to explore the digital world, and that's been an interesting and challenging opportunity."

This article was provided by the Iowa Culture Wire, a free service of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs.

Want to explore?

Here are a few museums across the state:

Heritage Center Museum, Burlington

African American Museum of Iowa, Cedar Rapids

National Czech & Slovak Museum, Cedar Rapids

Union Pacific Railroad Museum, Council Bluffs

Figge Art Museum, Davenport

Putnam Museum and Science Center, Davenport

Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum, Decorah

State Historical Museum of Iowa, Des Moines

National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, Dubuque

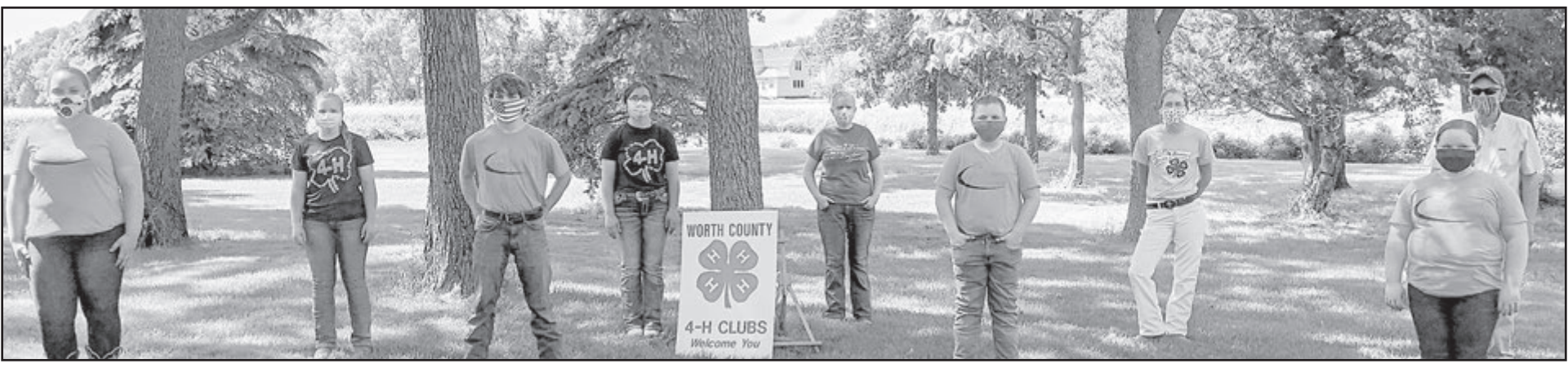
Museum of Danish America, Elk Horn

Blanden Art Museum, Fort Dodge

Sioux City Public Museum, Sioux City

Living History Farms, Urbandale

History on the Hill (Madison County Historical Museum), Winterset



Youth Dairy Show

Worth County 4-H held the Youth Dairy show at the Charles and Linda Medlang farm this past Sunday afternoon. The event was held at the Medlangs' due to the COVID-19 cancellation of this year's Worth County Fair. 4-H Alumni member Michelle Medlang coordinated all of the efforts in recruiting members to participate in the cooperative 4-H Dairy Project program. 4-H'ers made numerous visits to the Medlang farm breaking their calves to lead, washing, clipping, grooming and getting their calves ready for the show. Members and organizers taking part in Sunday's event included (from left) Teagan Johnson, Jadyn Beland, Dalton Logeman, Emma Logeman, Michelle Medlang, 4-H Dairy Project Leader, Max Johnson, Tianna Charlson, Maya Johnson and Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist.

2020 Worth County 4-H Dairy show at the Charles Medlang farm

Below are the results of the 2020 Worth County 4-H Dairy Show:

Junior Heifer Calf

1-Emma Logeman, (Green Shamrocks), Blue; 2-Tianna Charlson, (Golden Banner) Blue; 3-Max Johnson, (Grove Progressive Farmers), Blue; 4-Jadyn Beland, (Green Shamrocks), Blue.

Senior Heifer Calf

1-Tianna Charlson, (Golden Banner), Blue; 2-Jadyn Beland, (Green Shamrocks), Blue; 3-Dalton Logeman, (Grove Progressive Farmers), Blue; 4-Teagan Johnson, (Grove Progressive Farmers), Blue.

Summer Yearling

1-Dalton Logeman, (Grove Progressive Farmers), Blue; 2-Maya Johnson, (Grove Progressive Farmers), Blue.

Junior Yearling

1-Emma Logeman, (Green Shamrocks), Blue; 2-Teagan Johnson, (Grove Progressive Farmers), Blue.

Winter Yearling

1-Jadyn Beland, (Green Shamrocks), Blue.

Senior Yearling

1-Emma Logeman, (Green Shamrocks), Blue.

3 Year Old Cow

1-Tianna Charlson, (Golden Banner), Blue; 2-Dalton Logeman, (Grove Progressive Farmers), Blue.

Junior Champion

Grand Champion – Tianna Charlson, (Golden Banner); Reserve Grand Champion – Jadyn Beland, (Green Shamrocks); Honorable Mention – Jadyn Beland, (Green Shamrocks).

Junior Showmanship

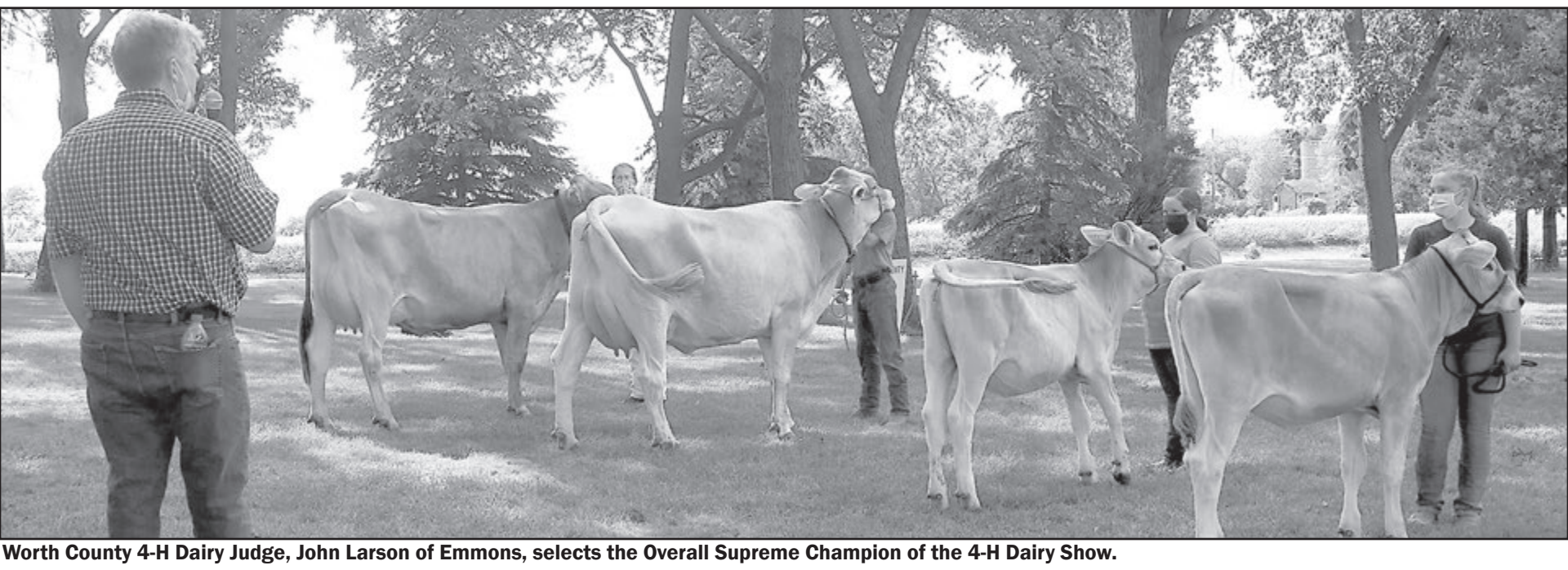
1-Grand Champion – Maya Johnson, (Grove Progressive); Reserve Grand Champion - Max Johnson, (Grove Progressive).

Senior Showmanship

1-Grand Champion – Tianna Charlson, (Golden Banner); 2- Reserve Grand Champion – Teagan Johnson, (Grove Progressive Farmers).

Supreme Champion

1-Tianna Charlson, (Golden Banner); 2-Dalton Logeman, (Grove Progressive Farmers).



Worth County 4-H Dairy Judge, John Larson of Emmons, selects the Overall Supreme Champion of the 4-H Dairy Show.



Tianna Charlson exhibited the Supreme Champion Senior Brown Swiss Cow of the 4-H Dairy Show.



Jadyn Beland, Green Shamrocks 4-H Club member exhibited the Reserve Junior Brown Swiss Champion at last Sundays Worth County 4-H Dairy Show.

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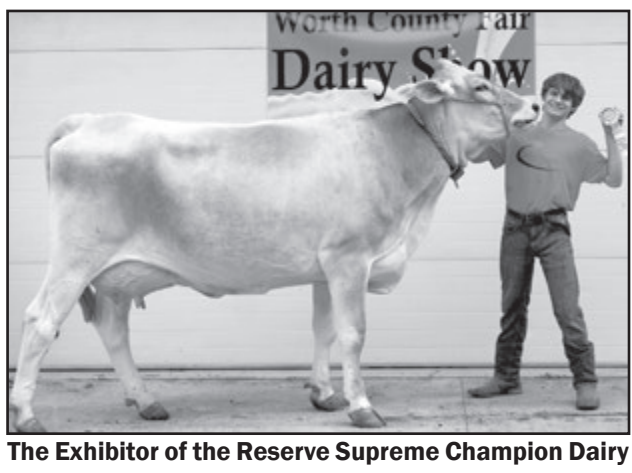
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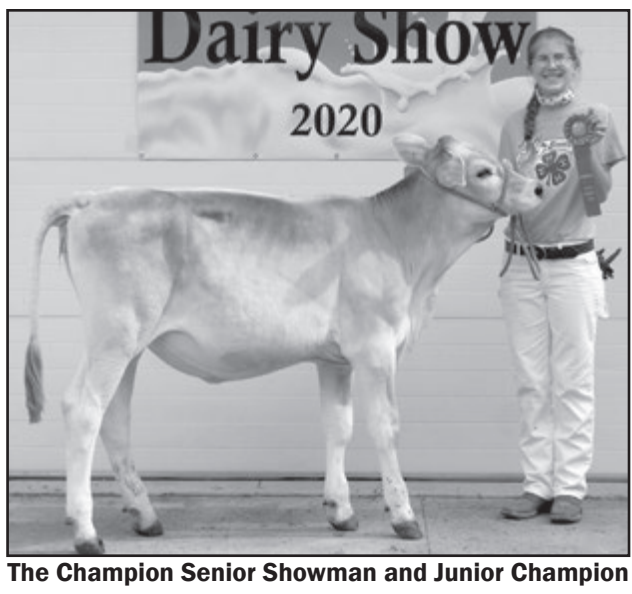
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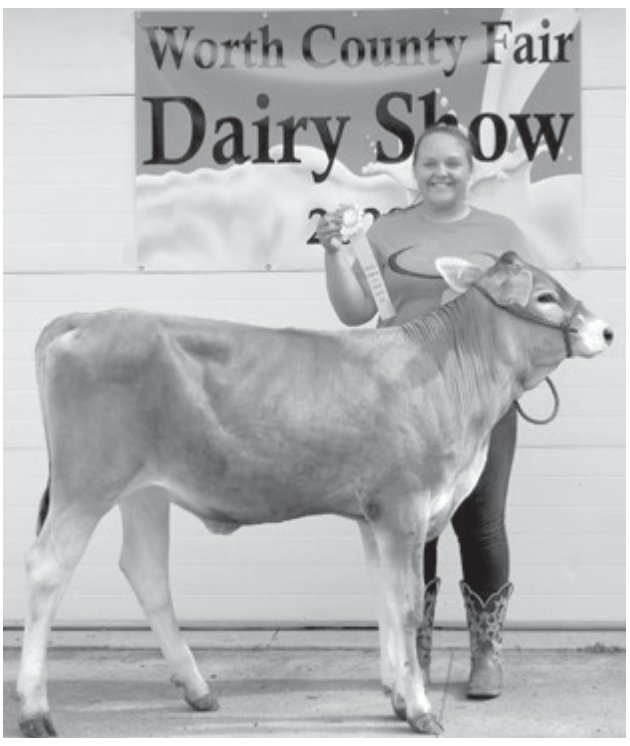
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The Exhibitor of the Reserve Supreme Champion Dairy and Reserve Brown Swiss Senior Champion was Dalton Logeman of the Grove Progressive Farmers 4-H Club.



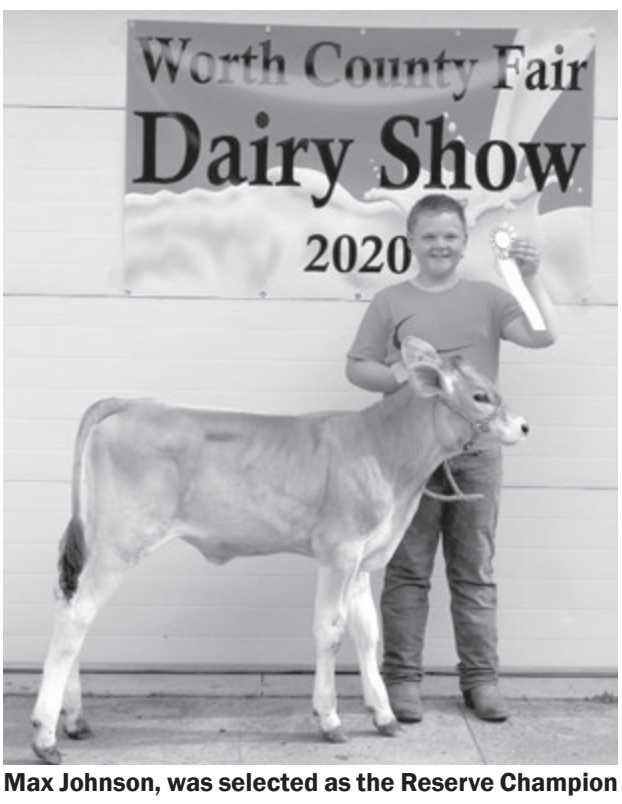
The Champion Senior Showman and Junior Champion of the 4-H Dairy Show was Tianna Charlson a member of the Golden Banner 4-H Club.



Teagan Johnson, a member of the Grove Progressive Farmers 4-H Club, was named Reserve Champion Senior Showman



Maya Johnson, Grove Progressive Farmers 4-H Club Members was named the Grand Champion Junior Dairy Showman.



Max Johnson, was selected as the Reserve Champion Showman of the 4-H Dairy Show.

Options for Iowa State Fair 4-H livestock shows and events announced

By Valyn Bodensteiner, Debbie Nistler and Mike Anderson

The Iowa State Fairgrounds will host a Fair Special Edition: Iowa 4-H and FFA Livestock Show this summer, following the postponement of the 2020 Iowa State Fair.

The revised schedule for 4-H livestock shows will be spread out over three weeks and held Thursday through Saturday – Aug. 6-8, 13-15 and 20-22.

Due to safety concerns, there will be no in-person static exhibits or judging held on the Iowa State Fairgrounds this year. Virtual alternatives for those activities are still being considered and details will be released soon.

To limit attendance at livestock shows, youth exhibitors will be allowed to bring only two people with them. All attendees and exhibitors will be required to wear a wristband. The Iowa State Fair will sell wristbands to the public and will cap the number sold at 1,000.

"We can't thank the Iowa State Fair Board and staff enough for their support and cooperation to provide an exhibition opportunity for our 4-H youth livestock members," said Debbie Nistler, Iowa 4-H state program leader for Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. "The life skills these young people gain from their livestock project experience is invaluable and the Iowa State Fair is the culmination of that experience."

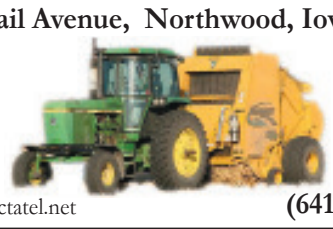
To protect the health and safety of everyone, this Special Edition show will follow all Iowa Department of Public Health and CDC recommendations for social distancing, handwashing and sanitization.

Information for 4-H families and youth exhibitors can be found on the Iowa State Fair 4-H Livestock page at https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/statefair/livestock.

For more information on the Iowa 4-H Youth Development program, please contact your county ISU Extension and Outreach office or visit the Iowa 4-H website at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h.


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Northwood Anchor Early Files

100 years ago

June 23, 1920

Miss Anna Bakken left Thursday morning for Fargo, N.D., for a visit in the home of her sister, Mrs. Sigurd Bye, and with her brother, John M. Bakken, who owns a farm in that vicinity. Miss Anna will also attend summer school at Fargo College in preparation for her work in the Northwood schools next season.

The Northwood-Kensett Electric Company has definitely decided that the only economical way in which service can be provided for all the people who want it within this territory is to change the present direct current plant into an alternating current and buy the "juice" from another concern.

The 13th annual session of the Northwood Redpath-Vawter Chautauqua opened Sunday afternoon with a large attendance, the Columbia Players, a talented company of six young ladies, furnished the afternoon program and the evening prelude.

Vilroy Abbey, while working at the barn on his place south of the Northwood bridge this morning fell and sustained a fractured leg. Dr. Sanders was called and made the injured as comfortable as possible. As Mr. Abbey is getting along in years the accident will prove more serious to him than to a younger man.

Lieutenant Sophus Gunderson, who is a traveling salesman out of Milwaukee, stopped off in Northwood last week and visited from Wednesday until Friday with his relatives in the H.J. Hanson and C. H. Madson homes and with many old-times friends.

75 years ago

June 28, 1945

About 20 pounds lighter but in good spirits, Corp. Hoyt Faarder arrived at the farm home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hilmen Gaarder, west of Kensett, Sunday, after spending 26 months in German prisoner of war camps.

Modern weapons of war including the rocket launcher or "bazooka" will be shown in combat action Saturday night at the fair grounds in Albert Lea when the U.S. army ground forces present "Here's Your Infantry," given by 80 specially trained men. They are all overseas veterans, many with silver Star decorations and other combat citations. Jungle tactics will be demonstrated in an assault on a Jap pillbox, using machine guns, mortars, bazookas and flame throwers.

Coming from Battle Creek, Mich., where he has been receiving surgical care for several months, Claire Shaw spent last Saturday in Northwood with his father, Merve Shaw, and other relatives and friends. He also spent a part of the weekend with his brother, Lynn at Albert Lea.

June is again proving the favored month for weddings, with 24 marriage licenses having been issued here so far this month compared with 20 licenses in June of last year. The 1945 total to this date is 110, an increase of 17 over the 93 licenses issued to June 20, 1944.

50 years ago

June 25, 1970

Construction on Interstate 35 in worth County is progessing rapidly, aided by relatively good weather. Workers are preparing the Highway 105-1-35 intersection west of Northwood for blacktopping. Highway 105 will be detoured to the approach and exit ramp by the latter part of the week.

Employees of Carroll George, Inc., Northwood, and their families were hosted to a family picnic in Crescent Park Thursday evening. The evening featured fun for everyone, including the children (and those somewhat older) who rode the "Pug," and plenty of barbecued chicken prepared by master chefs of the plant. Some 300 were guests.

Mrs. Leighton Severson, Mrs. V.H. Nystuen and Mrs. Szymour Sorenson view entries which entitled them to awards at the Friendship Garden Club show Tuesday. The event was held at the Izaak Walton clubhouse near Kensett.

Gary Christiansen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Christiansen, Northwood, gradated from University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, on May 28. He will teach distributive education at Mason City senior high school this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. David Jorgensen, Northwood announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Beth Marie, to Ervin Gene Boelsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Boelsen of Charles City. An August 29 wedding is being planned.

25 years ago

June 28, 1995

Fieldstone Cabinetry employee Denise Ehlenfeldt inspected the factory's damaged roof and ceiling Monday afternoon. She and approximately 60 other employees worked Sunday evening and all day Monday to clean up debris in the affected area and seal it off from nearby production lines.

Seven-year-old Mark Eilertson looked on as brother Jeff, 10, hung on for dear life Monday afternoon while practicing up for the "mutton busting" competition to be held during the ranch rodeo here on July 4. The rodeo will be held in the Worth County Fairgrounds horse arena, beginning at 2 p.m.. Those who would like to compete in mutton busting and other ranch rodeo events should register at Sue's CornerPost. The boys' parents are David and Sue Eilertson of rural Northwood.

When Charles Siebrecht built this Deer Creek Township barn in 1917 for his son F.H Siebrecht, he made it an exact copy of his own dairy barn just up and across the road in Grove Township. Both barns are now owned by Alan Stevens, who has had them straightened and remodeled. This barn, located on the Stevens residence, was straightened and remodeled in 1990 at a total cost of $6,500. The remodeling included new insulated concrete lower walls and fabricated red metal siding. Stevens uses the structure as breeding and gestating barn for sows.

10 years ago

June 30, 2010

The skies were brightened up on Thursday evening, June 24, with beautiful colors in the sky when three guys from Cedar Falls drove to the Northwood Airport and enjoyed some parachute sailing. A gentleman from north of Northwood even had a teddy bear dropped down to him. Surprises, surprises, teddy bears from heaven. Jerry Harris and two friends flew around the area and they said, "This is the most beautiful area they have flown around."

Downtown Northwood is already seeing improvement in its curbs this past week. On Wednesday and Thursday the Northwood City crew hammered out broken curbs. From Friday through Monday, a team from in Springer Constructions built forms and poured new curbing in its place. The town is getting spiffed up for the weekend's Fourth of July celebration.

Terry Bender and Brad Crouse, employees of Nichelangelo Tuckpointing and Restoration of Fort Dodge, are spending time in Northwood refinishing, e.g., striping paint, replacing rotted wood, replacing glass, priming and painting the windows at the Worth County Historical Main Museum on Central Avenue in Northwood. the historical society received a generous grant from the Worth County Development Authority on April 15 to pay for the work. The team is using the original round top frames to maintain the original historical facade of the building.

Northwood Anchor Obituaries

Orlyn Groe



ORLYN GROE

Orlyn Charles Groe, known to his friends as "Charles" or "Chuck," 81 of Ankeny and formerly Northwood, Iowa passed away on Sunday, June 14, 2020 at the Des Moines Veteran's Hospital.

A graveside service and celebration of his life was held at 1 p.m. on Friday, June 19, 2020 at Sion Lutheran Cemetery, rural Lake Mills, Iowa.

In lieu of customary remembrances, the family asks that memorials be directed to the Sion Lutheran Cemetery.

He was born in 1939 to Norma (Madson) and Orlin Groe, Chuck grew up in Northwood, graduating in the class of '57. He proudly served in the United States Navy from 1957 until his honorable discharge in 1962. In 1962 he married Mary Lou Nelson. Chuck worked for Western Electric until he was hired by IBM, working as a service engineer for 30 years.

Chuck was a hard worker who was always willing to help anyone in need. He was proud to have shaken hands with both Roy Rogers and Neil Armstrong. His passion for the space program inspired him to build models to share with others. Music was also important to Chuck, and he loved singing in church. His faith and his family meant everything to him.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Mary; his children, Gerald and Matthew, James Groe; a son-in-law, Eric Fishback; daughter-in-law, Tina; four beloved grandchildren, Michael, Olly, Wyatt, Nathan; siblings; as well as extended family members and numerous friends.

Greeting him at Heaven's gates is his daughter, Rebecca and his parents.

Gardening education takes root at Maple Court

By JoAnn Lower

Two young girls want a summer project. A master gardener wants help with her garden. Dennis Johnson has the answer.

At Johnson's suggestion, Master Gardener Juanita Davidson is teaching 14-year-old Kelsi and 11-year-old Lexis the importance of gardening. The girls say their favorite part is "planting the seeds and watching them grow."

"We have planted tomatoes, lettuce, carrots, radishes, cabbage, kohlrabi, squash, pumpkins, peppers, beets and sweet corn. Mr. Davidson has planted flowers all around the garden's edge. The radishes and lettuce are ready; the kohlrabi and tomatoes will be ready soon."

"We spend 2-3 hours once or twice a week in our garden. Juanita taught us how to weed with a hoe and how to thin radishes and lettuce."

"We're very dedicated to our work. We start something, and we don't walk away from it."

While Kelsi and Lexis enjoy learning, Juanita delights in watching them.

"I make lesson plans for when they come. I believe in organic gardening. It's safe, healthful and gives kids the opportunity to work and be outside. No sprays are used in our garden."

Davidson smiles as she speaks of the cabbage patch planted by Claire Avina-Sanchez who will be a freshman at N-K this year. "The cabbage patch is just as sweet as it can be. Along with cabbages, there are onions and tomatoes."

With a good harvest, the goal of the three gardeners is to share the fruits of their labors and help the community in hard times.

"The kids will be able to take food home, the kitchen here will get some, and a Farmers Market will be set up in front of the Historical Society if there are extras. It's wonderful that Maple Court has made these lots available."



Kelsi, Juanita Davidson and Lexis are pictured with the garden at Maple Court, where Davidson has been sharing her expertise.

"Our garden is building confidence in the kids, and the example that the kids and I have established in the garden has promoted extra efforts from everybody else. Joe Kuennen is a superb gardener. When he looked at me, smiled broadly and gave me a thumbs up, I felt pleased and relevant."

Juanita went on to speak of the terrible battle they've had with rabbits eating the beans. "We've planted the beans three times. This year people need encouragement. They need to know that everyone has problems. They need to know not to give up. God has been good. The weather has been warm, we've had pretty good rains and the breeze has kept bugs away."

Besides gardening with Juanita at Maple Court, Kelsi and Lexis, with the help of their mother Kelly Liddle, have created "affordable gardening" at home.

"Affordable gardening," said Liddle, is planting in five-gallon buckets so the garden can be moved to any location in our yard."

She adds, "I am grateful to Dennis Johnson for asking my family to partner with Juanita Davidson in this garden project. Working with her has been a wonderful experience."

"Gardening, however, is just one of the things Juanita teaches. Her degree in language arts has helped us all learn new words and their definitions. I hope Kelsi and Lexis can work with her again next year."

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Supervisors

June 15, 2020
Twenty fifth Day

Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment with A.J. Stone, Kenneth J. Abrams and Mark Smeby present.

Electronic public access was made available by computer or telephone via Zoom.

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 June 15, 2020 agenda.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the June 8, 2020 board minutes.

Motion by Smeby, second Abrams, carried to approve Resolution # 2020-06-15.1

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT WORTH COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD TEMPORARILY CLOSING KUENNEN'S QUARRY PROPERTY AND WORTH COUNTY LAKE PROPERTY TO THE PUBLIC
Worth County
Resolution No.
2020.06.15.1

WHEREAS, the Worth County Conservation Board is in charge of managing parks and recreational property located in Worth County, Iowa, including the property known as Kuennen's Quarry and that property known as Worth County Lake; and,

WHEREAS, the world is still experiencing the crisis of a pandemic from the COVID-19 virus; and,

WHEREAS, both recreational areas have become an attractive nuisance bringing a much higher usage for both properties than has been experienced in the past; and,

WHEREAS, during the aforementioned pandemic, social distancing and safety precautions are called for and limits incorporating social distancing are being recommended by both the order of the Governor of the State of Iowa as well as recommended by the Worth County Nurse, Jessica Reyerson; and,

WHEREAS, the social distancing and safety precautions are not manageable at the current time and that social distancing restrictions are not being met and enforced voluntarily by the individuals making use of the recreational areas; and,

WHEREAS, the Worth County Sheriff and Worth County Conservation Director Jim Hanson have both recommended that Kuennan's Quarry be temporarily closed to address the safety concerns brought on by the large number of people congregating at Kuennan's Quarry and the potential that this group my migrate to Worth County Lake should only Kuennen's Quarry be closed; and,

WHEREAS, Dan Fank, Worth County Sheriff, Jessica Reyerson, Worth County Nurse, Mark Tomlinson, Director of Worth County Emergency Management, Mitch Hanson, Chief of Northwood Volunteer Fire Company, and James Hanson, Worth County Conservation department head, have all recommended that for the reasons above set forth, both parts should temporarily be closed until rules and procedures are put in place to allow them to be operated safely.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Worth County Board of Supervisors that they support and endorse the decision by the Worth County Conservation Board to temporarily close to the public commencing on June 15, 2020, at 8:00 a.m. Kuennan's Quarry and Worth County Lake.

A.J. Stone, Chairperson
ATTEST: Jacki A. Backhaus
Worth County Board of Supervisors
Worth County Auditor

Dated this 15th day of June, 2020.

Ordinance 2020.06.15 to Prohibit Public Parking on Gravel Road 450th ST from East of Highway 65 until intersection with Pheasant Avenue was read. There was no public comment.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to waive the second and third reading of Ordinance 2020.06.15.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve Ordinance 2020.06.15 to Prohibit Public Parking on Gravel Road 450th ST from East of Highway 65 until intersection with Pheasant Avenue.

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to approve the preliminary plat of the Top of Iowa Second addition per the recommendation of Worth County Planning and Zoning Commission.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the clerk of court's monthly report.

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to approve the cigarette license for Diamond Jo Casino.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to adjourn at 9:13 A.M. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be Monday, June 22, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.

Jacki A. Backhaus, Auditor
Aaron Stone, Chairperson

Northwood Anchor

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Notice

With the recent tragic events in cities throughout the United States and the protests and riots that are ensuing through our great country, we the Mayor and City Council of the City of Northwood firmly and wholeheartedly extend our support to the Worth County Sheriff Department and all police men and women throughout the United States. We believe in equal rights and equality for all people.

Mayor:

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Notice

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE CHAPTER 655A

Grantors:
Adam B. Collins and Kelsi A. Collins, husband and wife

Grantees:
Marine Credit Union

Legal Description: Lot Ten (10) and the South One-half (S½) of Lot Nine (9), in Block Thirty-four (34), in Dwelle's Addition to Northwood, Worth County, Iowa.

Mortgage Description: Mortgage in the amount of $85,500 dated October 18, 2018, filed October 23, 2018, in Document Number 20181274 of the Worth County Iowa Recorder

You have not complied with the following terms of the Mortgage above referenced:

Covenant 1: Failure to make payments on the Note when due from and after 12/5/2018 including all payments of principal, interest, escrow items, and late charges in the total amount of at least $15,615.90 at the designated location of the credit union branch or payment center.

Covenant 3: Failure to pay escrowed amounts when due from and after 12/5/2018 included in the Covenant 1 amounts.

Covenant 4: Failure to pay liens for property taxes and assessments pursuant to Covenant 3.

Covenant 5: Failure to pay property insurance pursuant to Covenant 3.

Covenant 7: Failure to maintain property – failure to maintain utilities causing pipes to burst – must repair.

Unless within thirty days after the completed service of this notice, you perform the terms in default or file with the recorder of the county where the mortgaged property is located a rejection of the notice pursuant to section 655A.6 and serve a copy of the rejection upon the mortgagee, the mortgage will be foreclosed.

For purposes of service of a rejection as described above, you may address such rejection to:

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Notice

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED REPAIRS AND/OR IMPROVEMENTS DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 46/Lat 9 Ditch WORTH COUNTY, IOWA

TO: Timothy Abrahamson, Kathy Bailey, Dress Family Investments LLC, Peter Julseth, Arlow A.C. Rugland Trust, Julie A. Rugland Trust, Kristoffer Rugland, Addie Rugland, Ronald G. Shupe, Kandie J. Shupe, Bryan R. Shupe, Bradly W. Shupe, George Dolan, Daniel R Tindall, Donald A. Yost, Julie J. Yost, Charles W Troe and Worth County Secondary Roads property owners as shown above, encumbrancers, lienholders, unknown heirs and claimants by will, to all whom it may concern, including the actual occupants of the land, or tract of land, described in and including Drainage District No. 46/Lat 9, Worth County, Iowa.

YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa, acting as trustees on behalf of Drainage District No. 46/Lat 9 in said county has employed Jonathan P. Rosengren, P.E., Bolton & Menk, Inc. as an engineer to determine the feasibility or the necessity of having repairs, and/or improvements, all concerning the drainage facilities of Drainage District No. 46/Lat 9 in order to provide adequate drainage and relief for the lands included in said Drainage District No. 46/Lat 9.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Board of Supervisors of Worth County requested that said engineer make a preliminary survey and investigation of the possible repairs, improvements of Drainage District No. 46/Lat 9.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that drainage engineer Jonathan P. Rosengren has filed his report with the Auditor of Worth County in which he recommends certain repairs, and/or improvements. That the engineer's estimate for the costs of the proposed repairs, improvements, and potential annexation and reclassification are as follows:

Total Estimated Assessable Project Cost - $222,000

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that this report and recommendations in full are on file in the office of the Worth County Auditor at the Courthouse in Northwood, Iowa, for your information and you are encouraged to obtain a copy and review the same prior to the date set for hearing in this notice. Said reports have been reviewed and considered by the Board of Supervisors and they have been tentatively approved as the board has determined that the repairs, improvements, and are necessary and feasible. The engineer reports also contained the following recommendations and proposals:

1. Right of Way. The report recommends the consideration by the board of the acquisition of additional right of way for this project which will be considered at this hearing or a continuation thereof.

2. Annexation. That at a later date an annexation of additional lands will be considered by the board.

3. Reclassification. That at a later date the board will consider reclassification with appropriate adjustment of assessments.

4. Interest Rate and Waivers. The board will also consider the appropriate interest to charge on stamped warrants and determine the length of time that assessments may be paid of not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) years.

5. Wetland Determinations. The landowners are to comply with Resolution #02.02.2015A, on file with the Worth County Auditor, in obtaining wetland determinations to obtain mitigation of converted farmed wetlands.

For further particulars you are referred to the engineer's reports for DD 46/Lat 9 now on file in the office of the Worth County Auditor.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, acting on behalf of DD 46/Lat 9 has fixed a time and place of hearing on said report and proposed repairs, improvements, and for July 20 at 1:00 P.M., at the Worth County Court House. At said hearing the Board of Supervisors shall hear objections to the feasibility of such repairs, improvements, and of the drainage district as may be presented by and for any landowner in the district. The report of the engineer as filed herein may be amended before final action is taken thereon by this Board of Supervisors. This hearing may be continued from time to time without further notice as determined by this Board of Supervisors.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT ALL OBJECTIONS TO THE ENGINEER'S REPORT OR TO ANY MATTER CONNECTED WITH THIS HEARING MUST BE IN WRITING AND FILED WITH THE WORTH COUNTY AUDITOR AT OR BEFORE THE TIME FIXED FOR HEARING. Any interested party may be heard in an argument by himself or by counsel. Anyone who fails to object shall be held to have waived all objections and claims for damages.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if you fail to object, the Board of Supervisors can make a final decision to make repairs, improvements, and of DD No. 46/Lat 9, acquire additional right of way, annex additional lands and reclassify. As a consequence of your failure to object you lose your right to appeal the final decision within twenty (20) days to the Iowa District Court.

This notice is published and mailed as provided by law at the direction of the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa, acting on behalf of Drainage District No. 46/Lat 9.

Jacki A. Backhaus
Worth County Auditor

Notice

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED REPAIRS AND/OR IMPROVEMENTS DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 13/Lat 3 Ditch WORTH COUNTY, IOWA

TO: Edward L Bott Trust, Donna R Bott Trust, Donovan Dahlby, Eileen Dahlby Trust, Donlee Corp., Thomas Grosland, David J. Gross, Derek M Haxton, Ashley A Haxton, Jay R Hopperstad, Robin Hopperstad, Jerry R Hopperstad, Janice R Hopperstad, John Janssen, Mary Janssen, James R. Meland, Brenda L. Meland, Chester Millard Jr, MMH Iowa Enterprises, LLC, Della Turvold Newlin, Carol A Olson Revocable Trust, Steve J Retterath, David A Reyerson, Jessica R Reyerson, Margaret Rosch, Sara Rienhardt, Joseph Rosch, John Janssen, Patricia H Rothove Trust, James E Schaub, Carol I Schaub, Elaine C. Sime, Kara J. Sime, Michael A. Sime, The Elaine Christine Sime Marital Non-GST-Exempt Trust, The Sime Family Trust, Edna Turvold, Lorrie D Turvold De Young, Della Turvold Newlin, Bonita G Norlander, Nelda J Turvold, Sara Jean Utt, Myron J Walker Trust and Worth County Secondary Roads property owners as shown above, encumbrancers, lienholders, unknown heirs and claimants by will, to all whom it may concern, including the actual occupants of the land, or tract of land, described in and including Drainage District No. 13/Lat 3 Ditch, Worth County, Iowa.

YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa, acting as trustees on behalf of Drainage District No. 13/Lat 3 Ditch in said county has employed Jonathan P. Rosengren, P.E., Bolton & Menk, Inc. as an engineer to determine the feasibility or the necessity of having repairs, and/or improvements, all concerning the drainage facilities of Drainage District No. 13/Lat 3 Ditch in order to provide adequate drainage and relief for the lands included in said Drainage District No. 13/Lat 3 Ditch.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Board of Supervisors of Worth County requested that said engineer make a preliminary survey and investigation of the possible repairs, improvements of Drainage District No. 13/Lat 3 Ditch.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that drainage engineer Jonathan P. Rosengren has filed his report with the Auditor of Worth County in which he recommends certain repairs, and/or improvements. That the engineer's estimate for the costs of the proposed repairs, improvements, and potential annexation and reclassification are as follows:

Total Estimated Assessable Project Cost - $436,000

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, acting on behalf of DD 13/Lat 3 Ditch has fixed a time and place of hearing on said report and proposed repairs, improvements, and for July 20 at 10:00 A.M., at the Worth County Court House. At said hearing the Board of Supervisors shall hear objections to the feasibility of such repairs, improvements, and of the drainage district as may be presented by and for any landowner in the district. The report of the engineer as filed herein may be amended before final action is taken thereon by this Board of Supervisors. This hearing may be continued from time to time without further notice as determined by this Board of Supervisors.

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Jacki A. Backhaus
Worth County Auditor

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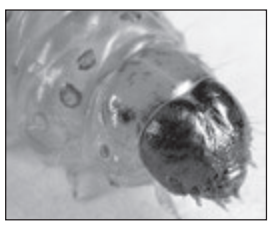
By Erin Hodgson

Corn growers may need to be on the lookout for a common insect pest this year, especially if they're no longer using a transgenic Bt seed that is resistant.

In 2019, about 15% of corn grown in Iowa and 17% grown in the United States did not contain a Bt trait, according to an article by Ashley Dean and Erin Hodgson, extension entomologists with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

European corn borer. Not using a Bt trait makes the crop susceptible to certain insects, especially European corn borer. The European corn borer, often referred to as ECB, is an invasive insect that feeds on almost the entire corn plant except the roots. ECB can result in significant yield reductions caused by poor ear development, broken stalks and dropped ears.

Dean and Hodgson are reminding farmers about the importance of scouting their fields for ECB and taking appropriate action if evidence of ECB is found.



In a recent article by Dean and Hodgson called "Planted Non-Bt Corn? Plan to Scout for European Corn Borer," they say that farmers have been able to control ECB since Bt corn became available in 1996. However, not everyone plants Bt seed, especially in years when corn prices are low.

"For farmers who opted out of Bt corn this year, scouting for ECB (and other corn pests) will be essential," Dean and Hodgson write.

ISU Extension and Outreach provides a comprehensive guide to understanding ECB and its association with other pests, found in the publication "European Corn Borer – Ecology and Management with other Corn Pests."

Producers can learn more about the life cycle and identification of ECB in the ISU Extension and Outreach publication "Ecology and Management of European Corn Borer in Iowa Field Corn."

There are typically two generations of ECB in Iowa, according to Dean and Hodgson. The first generation involves scouting for larvae, and the second generation involves scouting for egg masses.

While many Iowans may remember what ECB looks like, Hodgson said it's still a good idea for producers to refresh themselves on what they need to be looking for and whether pesticide use is justified.

Hodgson said it's also possible that some producers have forgotten about the pest, or if they've started farming after 1996, that they may not have past experience with ECB.

More information, Dean is available by calling 515-447-3766 or adean@iastate.edu. Hodgson can be reached at 515-294-2847 or ewh@iastate.edu.

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