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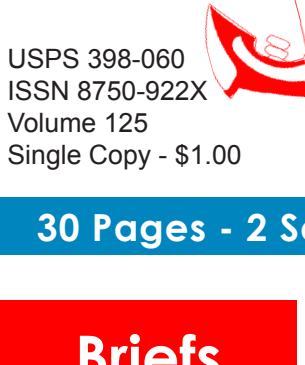
Briefs

Northwood blood drive set for June 4

A Northwood Community Blood Drive, sponsored by the Northwood Lions Club, is planned for Thursday, June 4, from 1:30-6:30 p.m., at the VFW Hall, 609 Eighth Street North, in Northwood.

To preserve social distancing and the safety of all donors, volunteers and technicians at the drive, all those giving blood will be required to make an appointment.

Appointments may be made by texting LIFESERVE to 999-777, calling 800-287-4903 or online at lifeservebloodcenter.org.



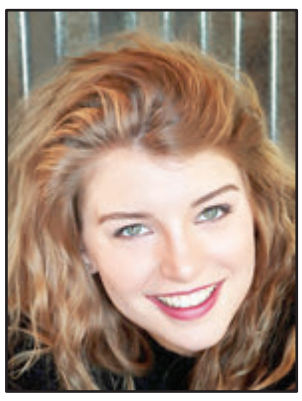
The Week's WEATHER

by National Weather Service Observer John Podgorniak

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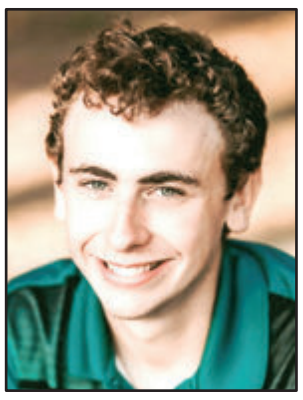
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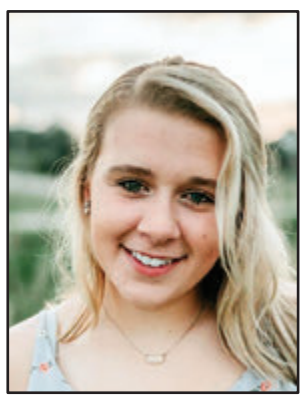
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2020 Northwood-Kensett grads awarded $586429.88 in college scholarships

While no ceremony was held on Sunday, postponed until the summer, the 37 members of the Northwood-Kensett class of 2020 have officially graduated and have been recognized with scholarships and awards.

The class of 2020 have chosen the blue rose as their class flower and "Take me home, country roads" by John Denver as their class song. Their 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.

The school year normally ends for N-K graduates with commencement ceremonies, during which a number of local scholarships would be announced. However, with commencement tentatively delayed to Sunday, June 28, due to COVID-19 concerns, those scholarships were announced during an online presentation on May 17.

This year's graduating class received $402,529.88 for their first year of college and $586,429.88 in scholarships for their full college careers from scholarships that would normally be announced during commencement exercises.

Of the scholarship money going to this year's graduating class, $ 225,900 went to 17 students from local scholarships. A total of $360,529.88 went to graduating seniors from the Worth County Development Authority's education funds.

Lindsey Davidson earned the highest academic honor in her class, as the N-K Class of 2020 valedictorian. Peyton Pangburn earned salutatorian

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Additional case of COVID-19 confirmed in Worth County

The Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) and Worth County Public Health have identified one additional case of COVID-19 in the county. The individual is 18-40 years old.

Worth County has seen a total of three confirmed cases. Of the three cases, one has recovered. As of press time Monday, 209 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 for them and will determine if they should be tested.

Worth County Public Health continues to remind residents to take preventive measures to slow the spread of this virus. It is impor-

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Worth County Fair goes 'virtual'

The Worth County Fair Board and the Worth County Extension Council have announced that they have decided to cancel this years' traditional fair and transform the 2020 Worth County Fair from a "face to face" fair to a "4-H and FFA Virtual Fair," due to the current Public Health Emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19.

A "Virtual Fair" is different from a traditional "face to face" fair in that instead of having volunteers, participants and parents travel to the fairgrounds to participate, the 4-H/FFA families will instead participate "virtually" in the activities over the Internet.

While it is true that some of the events will not happen, many of the core activities will take place "virtually" so that organizers can continue to offer an excellent

Fair, see Page 2

Fourth activity changes made

The Northwood Area Chamber of Commerce has announced that a number of the annual Fourth of July events have been cancelled or postponed due to concerns of keeping Northwood residents and visitors safe.

One tradition will take place, with the annual Fourth of July Fireworks still set for 10 p.m. at the airport. Those viewing from the airport will be asked to stay in or near their vehicle and people should avoid gathering in groups.

The downtown beverage garden will not be held. Entertainment planned for this year, The Trip and The Dweebs, has been scheduled to return to Northwood on July 2 and 3, 2021.

The K-12 pool party has also been cancelled.

Several activities

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Hats off to the Class of 2020

While commencement has been delayed to June 28, Northwood-Kensett's graduating seniors have the attire and attitude in place, ready to make graduation official.

Congratulations Class of 2020 — See Graduation section

Council discusses pool, speeding, old Viking

At their recent regular meeting, held via teleconference, the Northwood city council discussed pool options, speeding concerns on a residential street and a potential purchase of the old Viking restaurant property.

The council approved fees and salaries for the pool and park and rec employees for the summer, but also discussed whether any activities would take place and whether the pool would open, in light of the concerns presented by COVID-19.

It was noted that pool managers and parks and rec program leaders were ready, should the pool and youth park activities be allowed.

However, the fact that many other area cities had decided to close pools for the summer put Northwood's aquatic opening in question.

It may be difficult for lifeguards to get the certifications they need with no open facilities.

Beyond that, there was concern that if Northwood was one of the few cities, or only city, to open its pool, people from surrounding communities may come to Northwood, creating additional COVID-19 concerns.

The council plans to make a decision on the pool opening by June 1.

A group of residents presented the council with their concerns about speeding on Seventh Street North, just south of the Northwood-Kensett Junior/Senior High School property.

According to a letter to the council, they had observed a number of vehicles speeding through the area, well above the 25 mph residential speed limit. Two families with children live in the area and their neighbors presented their concerns, as well as potential solutions.

Their three most strongly recommended solutions included placing 25 mph speed limit signs at four locations on the street, placing "Slow, Children at Play" signs and increasing the presence of a patrol car to catch those speeding on the street. Also mentioned were speed bumps or humps, placing the Worth County Sheriff's Office's portable speed display on the street and making the T-intersection at Fourth Avenue South and Seventh Street a three-way stop.

Council member Gary Nerlien said that in his time working at a funeral home, he had seen too many children that died as a result of speeding vehicles, suggesting that the council should take some action.

Council member Dan Reeder asked the residents on the phone, who had lived there for 20 and nearly 50 years respectively, if the speeding has been an issue more recently, and both agreed it has.

Reeder said that if the council considers this street, they should look at potential speed issues throughout the city. He noted Eighth Street South, as it turns to the pool, as an example.

In reaction to a call for increased law enforcement presence, specifically asking that a deputy hide to catch speeders, Worth County Sheriff Dan Fank said that they can't hide and catching someone speeding. He said that they have to verify that they are going faster than the limit and the only way to do that with their equipment is to have a vehicle in sight.

Fank also noted that they can't focus on one street constantly, as his deputies are busy with other city matters beyond traffic patrols.

Fank did suggest that speed bumps and signage could have some impact.

As to the speed limit signs, it was noted that many don't know that 25 mph is the limit in residential areas and signs would be a good reminder.

Council member Dave Tenold asked whether taking action in one neighborhood would set a precedent and would make it difficult to refuse any similar requests in the city.

Council member Russ Meyer said that he thought signs would be ignored and speed bumps aren't effective. He said increased patrols would be the most effective deterrent.

The council ultimately agreed to consider the neighbors' request. They asked Fank to have deputies increase their presence on the street, and to share their observations about the danger at the next council meeting.

The council received a proposal from the owner of the building that was the former Viking restaurant, with an offer to sell the building to the City.

Several council members showed interest, but only under certain conditions.

They agreed that they did not want the City to be responsible for demolishing and removing the building. That would have to be done as a condition of a sale.

It was noted that there is a lack of available commercial space for development in the city, and the council should work to see if an agreement could be reached.

Car cruise travels through Northwood Saturday

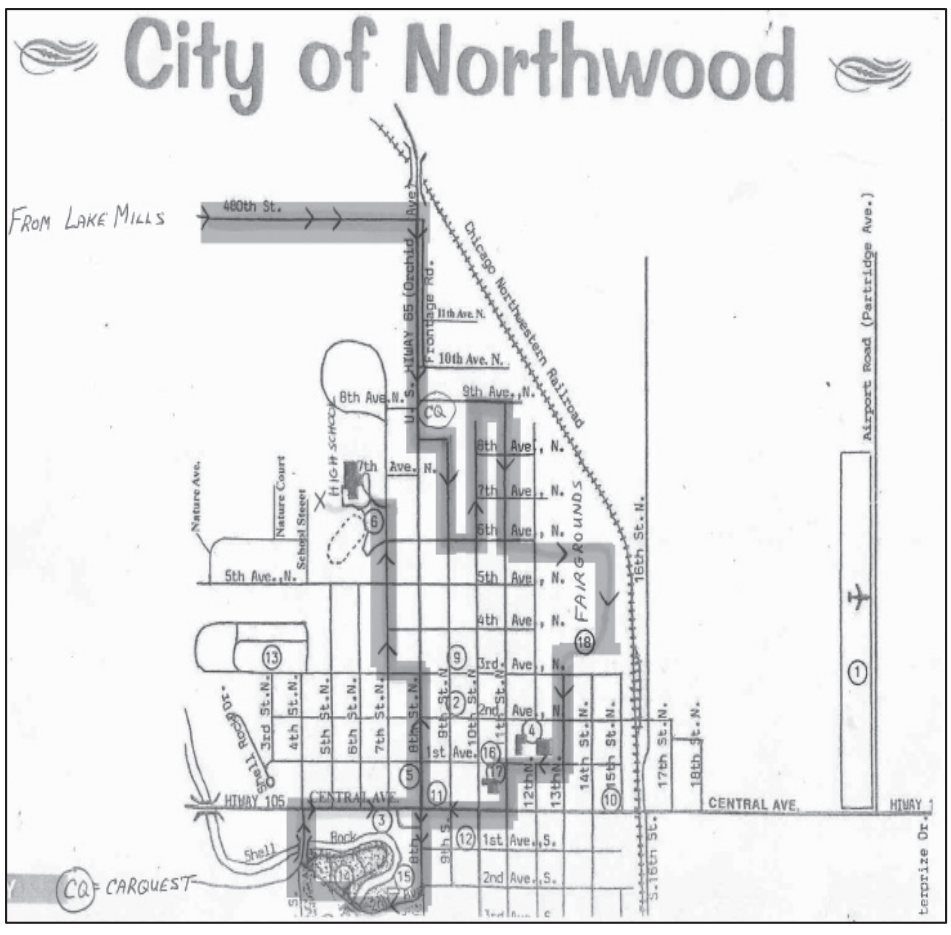
The Aristocrats Car Club of Northwood and car clubs in Albert Lea have been taking part in a series of car cruises in recent weeks. An upcoming cruise, on Saturday, May 23, will take them through Northwood, offering local residents a chance to get a look at the clubs' unique automobiles, with between 70-100 expected to take part.

The club members have made sure to pass by retirement homes, senior centers and other points of interest in communities on the path of these cruises.

On May 23, they will leave Skyline Mall in Albert Lea, traveling on Highway 69 through Lake Mills before traveling to Northwood.

Thy plan to leave between 3-3:30 p.m. and arrive in Northwood around 4:30 p.m.

See the map below for the planned route.



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tant for everyone to practice social distancing, which is staying away from groups of people and keeping a six-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 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.

Up-to-date information on COVID-19 is available online at the IDPH website, idph.iowa.gov/Emerging-Health-Issues/Novel-Coronavirus and follow the department on Facebook at @ IowaDepartmentOfPublicHealth and on Twitter at @IAPublicHealth.

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learning experience for the 4-H and FFA youth members.

"This was a very difficult decision that was based on our goal of protecting the health and safety of everyone involved. While this will be a major change to how we normally conduct the fair, we are confident that our great staff, volunteers, participants and parents will work hard to make this the best '4-H/FFA Virtual Worth County Fair' possible."

A 4-H and FFA Town Hall teleconference meeting is scheduled for this Thursday, May 21, at 7 p.m. to discuss the ISU Worth County Extension plan to host this year's fair on a virtual platform.

More information is available by calling Dennis Johnson, Worth County Extension Education Specialist at 641-324-1531 or emailing djohn@iastate.edu.

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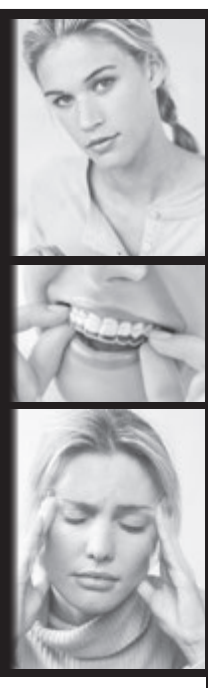


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NSB Bank lobbies re-open May 26

NSB Bank has announced that it plans to reopen its lobbies starting on Tuesday, May 26.

The bank has installed clear plastic barriers at all teller lines, new account areas and other areas of the bank.

Customers are encouraged to continue to utilize online banking, mobile banking and bill bay.

Anyone with questions may contact NSB Bank in Northwood at 641-324-1023.

N-K
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N-K graduates recognized with academic awards

In lieu of the typical commencement ceremonies that would have been held on Sunday, as well as an evening of special awards announced prior to graduation in most years, Northwood-Kensett graduating seniors were recognized with academic awards in an online presentation on May 17.

Seniors of the class of 2020 were recognized with scholarships and academic honors, including:

An Aristocrats Car Club scholarship was awarded to Kade Stambaugh.

Lindsey Davidson received the Bernie Saggau Award.

Worth County Farm Bureau Scholarships were awarded to Lindsey Davidson and Kennedy Eskildsen.

An Iowa Farm Bureau Scholarship was awarded to Peyton Pangburn.

Wrestling Boosters Scholarships were awarded to Gideon Rollene, Caden Schrage and Ethan Thofson.

Lindsey Davidson received the Polly Schiltz Memorial Scholarship.

Eskildsen received the Ellsworth Community College Robert and Arlene Hamilton Excellence in Agriculture Scholarship.

Northern Prairie Pheasants Forever Scholarships were awarded to Stambaugh and Thofson.

Rollene received the Esther E. Losee Memorial Scholarship.

NIACC awards included NIACC Foundation Scholarships to Sarah McCormick and Ross DeArmoun; NIACC Link Scholarships to Natalie Cordle, Mackenzie Davis, Blake Hagen, Jaela Parks and Laney Ryks; NIACC President's Scholarships to Cordle and DeArmoun; Del and Mary Laudner Scholarships to Davis and Emily Thorson; the William Georgou Memorial Scholarship to DeArmoun; a Robert and Lois Bergland Scholarship to McCormick; and a Karen Dole Scholarship to Parks.

Math Club Scholarships were received by Lindsey Davidson, Davis, Alexis Halbach and Reina Trosper.

Lindsey Davidson received the Lions Award.

The Ryan Weisert Building Trades Award scholarship went to Rollene, Tristan Rothove and Thofson.

The Margaret Sigmond Music Scholarship went to Makaio Hoch and Lindsey Davidson.

The Gilbert Charles Stevens scholarship went to Austin Efflandt.

Lindsey Davidson was recognized for her selection for the Governor's Scholar Recognition Program.

Named as KIMT Scholastic All-Stars were Lindsey Davidson and Pangburn.

Seniors that participated in four years of sports and who had cumulated a 3.25 GPA by the end of the first semester of their senior year were named to the Top of Iowa Conference All Academic Team. That included Cordle, Clara Davidson, Lindsey Davidson, Davis, DeArmoun, Efflandt, Eskildsen, Hagen, Hoch, Pangburn, Parks, Ryks and Schrage.

Receiving the Top of Iowa Academic Excellence Award, for those with one of the top 5 ACT scores at N-K in the school year, were Cordle, Clara Davidson, Lindsey Davidson, Austin Efflandt and Reina Trosper.

Named to Top of Iowa Conferences Academic All Conference were, for Language Arts- Cordle, Mathematics- Efflandt, Science- Davis, Social Science- DeArmoun, Vocational Education- Thofson, Business- Hagen, Music- Lindsey Davidson, Speech and Drama- Pangburn and Visual Arts- Chloe Luther.

The Swensrud Foundation also awarded the Sadie Boysen Scholarship this year. The scholarship is named for Swensrud's high school English teacher. The award is given to a student with outstanding accomplishments and promise in English/language arts. Clara Davidson received the scholarship this year.

This year's Swensrud Scholarship recipients will each receive $2,000 for the coming school year. They will receive $7,000 in their second, third and fourth years of college, for a total of $23,000. In the history of the Swensrud Scholarship, 392 recipients have been awarded over $3 million.

Ross DeArmoun was named this year's recipient of the Hellen K. Holstad Scholarship. The award is a four year renewable scholarship. DeArmoun will receive $2,000 for his freshman year, $2,100 for his sophomore year, $2,300 for his junior year and $2,500 for his senior year in college.

The Janssen Family Scholarship was established by the estate of 1954 Northwood High School graduate Don Janssen. Natalie Cordle, DeArmoun, Blake Hagen, Chloe Luther and Caden Schrage received the scholarship, for $2,000 for each of their first four years of college.

Makaio Hoch received the Richard Moen Aviation Scholarship, which is a one year award given to graduates pursuing a career in aviation, education or medicine. Hoch will each receive $6,000.

The Truman and Lorraine Julseth Scholarship was established in memory of avid N-K supporters Truman and Lorraine Julseth. Eskildsen and Emily Thorson were awarded the scholarship this year, receiving $2,000 towards their college education.

Madison Shoger, Ethan Thofson and Cameron Campbell were named the recipients of the Oren and Carrie Igou Scholarship. They will each receive $2,000 for their first year of college.

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Caden Schrage
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Kade Stambaugh
Jay Teepe
Ethan Thofson
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Emily Thorson
Reina Trosper
Eve Yezek

Correction- County offices not yet open

In last week's Northwood Anchor, an article included discussions amongst Worth County officials about how to allow increased access to County offices.

Initially, at a May 4 meeting, the plan had been to open, by appointment, on May 18.

On May 11, the County pushed the date back, as they await safety barriers for offices.

The story was updated, but the headline was not. The Anchor apologizes for the error.

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Northwood Mayor

Let Us Talk

Today I need to talk about a couple of things that keep coming up.

Dogs, Dogs and more Dogs. The complaints have been rolling in about dogs running loose in town. There are NO exceptions "It is unlawful for any owner to allow an animal to run at large within the corporate limits of the City" (Northwood city ordinance 55.06) This includes city parks.

It is also unlawful for the owner to allow an animal to pass upon the premises of another thereby causing damage to premises including soiling or defecating on it, unless such waste is immediately removed and properly disposed of by the handler (Northwood city ordinance 55.07).

If you have a pet it is your responsibility to control and clean up after it not your neighbors.

Speed, Speed and more Speed. Many complaints have been made about speeding cars, trucks, farm equipment, and ATVs in town. A group of neighbors even came to the City council meeting last week to raise concern about speeding in their neighborhood. Oh yes, the city does go along with the State code for speed limits:

1. Business District – twenty (20) miles per hour.

2. Residence or School District – twenty-five (25) miles per hour.

3. Suburban District – forty-five (45) miles per hour.

4. Parks, Cemeteries, and Parking lots – fifteen (15) miles per hour.

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

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

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

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

Doug Moehle
Mayor Northwood

What is the role of Worth County Public Health in the fight against COVID-19?

By Erin McCord

Worth County had two COVID-19 positive cases confirmed on May 10 and May 16, which are the second and third cases in the county since the public health crisis began.

On the front lines of tracing the spread of the highly contagious virus is Worth County Public Health, working in conjunction with the Iowa Department of Public Health.

Director Jessica Reyerson said that once a case is confirmed by the state health department, the information is sent to the county for contact tracing and case investigation.

This involves identifying all the people that the infected person has had contact with during their infectious period. Contact is defined by the IDPH as being less than six feet away from someone for more than 30 minutes.



Jessica Reyerson

The infectious period for cases without symptoms is defined by the IDPH as 48 hours through 10 days after the first date the patient tested positive for COVID-19 infection.

The infectious period for cases showing symptoms is 48 hours before the illness started until the patient is fever free for at least 72 hours, other symptoms have improved and at least 10 days have passed since the first symptoms appeared.

Once all the contacts have been identified, the county public health department will reach out to them, inform them they have been in contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID-19 and ask if they have been feeling ill.

WCPH will then enter all contacts in a database in the Iowa Disease Surveillance System.

Reyerson said that the county health department does not do COVID-19 testing. A person seeking a test will be referred to their primary care provider.

Worth County Public Health posts all information on new cases, guidance and protocols on their Facebook page. Anyone with further questions can contact the office at 641-324-1741.

"Thank you to everyone for your efforts during this difficult time. We will get through this together!" said Reyerson. "If there is anything that Worth County Public Health can help you with please let us know. Stay safe!"

Iowa Department of Public Health updates travel guidance

COVID-19 virus is circulating across the United States. While there is no longer a recommendation to self-isolate for 14 days after returning home from travel outside of Iowa and within the United States (as long as the traveler remains well and has not been identified as a close contact of an ill individual), travelers should continue to:

• Clean their hands often.

• Wash their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after they have been in a public place, or after blowing their nose, coughing or sneezing.

• If soap and water are not readily available, people may use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. People should cover all surfaces of their hands and rub their hands together until they feel dry.

• Avoid touching their eyes, nose, and mouth.

• Avoid close contact with others.

• Keep six feet of physical distance from others.

• Avoid close contact, which is especially important if they are at higher risk of getting very sick from COVID-19.

• Wear a cloth face covering in public.

• Cover coughs and sneezes.

The Centers for Disease Control continues to recommend that persons returning from international travel stay home for 14 days after they return.

Additional information related to travel is available online at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html.

Isolation guidance for sick and/or COVID-19 positive members of the general public

Persons with symptoms of COVID-19 should self-isolate (regardless of whether they were tested for COVID-19) until after these three things have happened:

• They have had no fever for at least 72 hours (that is three full days of no fever without the use of medicine that reduces fevers) AND

• Their other symptoms have improved (for example, when your cough or shortness of breath has improved) AND

• At least 10 days have passed since their symptoms first appeared.

Persons who test positive for COVID-19 but do not experience symptoms should self-isolate until:

• At least 10 days have passed since the date of the first positive test AND

• They continue to have no symptoms (no cough or shortness of breath) since the test.

CDC Guidance for "What to do if you are sick" can be found online at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html

Screening guidance

According to the CDC, COVID-19 symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms or combinations of symptoms may have COVID-19:

• Cough

• Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Or at least two of these symptoms:

• Fever

• Chills

• Repeated shaking with chills

• Muscle pain

• Headache

• Sore throat

• New loss of taste or smell

IDPH has not changed business screening guidance due to the complexity of the screening process that would need to occur to account for the broader list of symptoms. Businesses can create their own algorithm for screening based upon the expanded CDC information or they can continue to use the current IDPH screening algorithm available at idph.iowa.gov/Portals/1/userfiles/7/bscreening%20algorithm%2003222020.pdf.

Guidance for critical infrastructure workers exposed to COVID

Critical infrastructure workers include personnel in 16 different sectors of work, including:

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• Janitorial staff and other custodial staff

• Workers – including contracted vendors – in food and agriculture, critical manufacturing, informational technology, transportation, energy and government facilities.

Critical infrastructure workers may continue work following potential exposure to COVID-19, provided they remain asymptomatic and additional precautions are implemented to protect them and the community.

A potential exposure means being a household contact or having close contact within six feet of an individual with confirmed or suspected COVID-19. The time frame for having contact with an individual includes the period of time of 48 hours before the individual became symptomatic.

Critical Infrastructure workers who have had an exposure but remain asymptomatic should adhere to the following practices prior to and during their work shift:

Pre-screen: Employers should measure the employee's temperature and assess symptoms prior to them starting work. Ideally, temperature checks should happen before the individual enters the facility.

Regular monitoring: As long as the employee does not have a temperature or symptoms, they should self-monitor under the supervision of their employer's occupational health program.

Wear a mask: The employee should wear a face mask at all times while in the workplace for 14 days after last exposure. Employers can issue face masks or can approve employees' supplied cloth face coverings in the event of shortages.

Social distance: The employee should maintain six feet and practice social distancing as work duties permit in the workplace.

Disinfect and clean work spaces: Clean and disinfect all areas such as offices, bathrooms, common areas and shared electronic equipment routinely.

Additional guidance is available at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/critical-workers-implementing-safety-practices.pdf.

Remember, honor and support our nation's heroes on National Poppy Day



The American Legion Auxiliary adopted the red poppy as its official remembrance flower in the early 1920s, following World War I. National Poppy Day is the Friday before Memorial Day, May 22, 2020.

For over 70 years, the American Legion Auxiliary has sponsored Poppy Day to remind America that millions have sacrificed their lives and health to keep our nation strong and free.

The poppy, which grew wild on the battlefields of Flanders became, in the minds of the doughboys of World War I, a symbol of the sacrifice which they had endured. It had flourished among the shelled buildings and bomb-scarred landscape. Its brilliant red bloom, so much like the blood which had been shed there, became a sign of hope and renewal for those who lived and walked away. For those who would never leave, those who had sacrificed their lives, it was a perpetual memorial to their bravery.

American veterans brought home that image and planted it with the Auxiliary where it has bloomed every year for the benefit of those who served America. The Memorial Poppy contributions are devoted entirely to rehabilitation and assistance for veterans and their families.

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have been postponed, with plans to hold them during Founders Day on Saturday, September 12.

This includes the Miss, Mr., Junior Miss, Junior Mr., Little Miss and Little Mr. program and citizen awards; the Lions Club duck pond; the FFA pedal pull; and the horseshoe tournaments.

Events still being considered include the parade, food service, softball tournament and N-KCEF golf tournament.

Chamber organizers will make a decision on those events by June 12, pending State of Iowa guidelines and health recommendations at the time.

Twenties Study Club unable to host tea party, sends congratulations to seniors

By Sandy Olson

The Twenties Study Club has hosted a festive spring tea party each year for the girls of the Senior Class at N-K.

This has been a tradition for decades, at first being held in the private homes of club members and later in larger places such as the Country Club or the Olson Community Room.

This spring the Class of 2020 was not able to participate in the Senior Tea due to the COVID-19 situation but Twenties did not want the young women to be left out. Congratulation cards were sent to each woman graduate and included two bags of raspberry tea (the signature tea served at each year's event) and $5 in Northwood Dollars. Hopefully, each recipient will enjoy a treat and remember there are people who value them and their accomplishments in school.

The Twenties Study Club has met regularly for over 70 years and promotes the value of friendship among women as well as studying and learning about the world around us.

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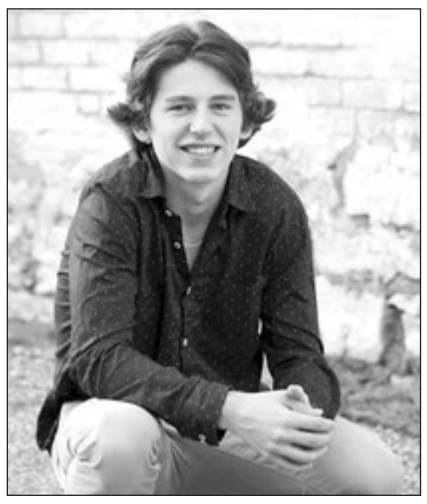
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Iowa salon, barber, tattoo and massage businesses join others now open statewide

This past Friday, salons, barbershops, massage and tattoo establishments were allowed to reopen in Iowa, while all other businesses that have been open in 77 counties could open in the 22 counties hardest hit by COVID-19.

On Wednesday, May 13, Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds issued her latest proclamation in regards to the businesses and activities that are permitted in the state of Iowa.

The latest businesses added to those that may once again welcome customers are salons, barbershops, tattoo and massage establishments, as long as they meet similar safety guidelines required at other businesses throughout the state.

For barbershops and salons, which includes cosmetology, electrology, esthetics, nail technology, manicuring and pedicuring, businesses will have to limit customers to 50% of maximum legal occupancy. Customers can only be accepted by appointment, an effort made to ensure there is no gathering in waiting rooms. The salons and barbershops must also ensure that all customers are six feet apart at all times.

They must also take any other measures to ensure social distancing between customers and employees, undertake increased hygiene practices and take other public health measures as recommended by the Iowa Department of Public Health.

Massage therapy and tattoo establishments were allowed reopen under the guidelines that they take reasonable measures to ensure social distancing, increased hygiene practices and other measures, as suggested by the IDPH.

The proclamation extended the guidelines for other reopened businesses, including restaurants, fitness centers, malls, medical spas, tanning facilities, campgrounds, libraries, drive-in theaters and social and fraternal clubs.

Under the Governor's latest order, however, all of these types of businesses may be open statewide beginning Friday. Previously many of these businesses remained closed in the 22 counties that had the highest COVID-19 infection rates.

Businesses that are still not allowed to open include bars (except to provide beverages and food on a carryout or delivery basis), theaters, casinos, senior citizen centers and adult daycares, amusements (bingo halls, bowling alleys, pool halls, arcades and amusement parks), museums, aquariums, zoos, skating rinks, skate parks, playgrounds, pools and door to door sales.

The prohibitions on gatherings of more than 10 people also remain in place and ban parades, festivals, conventions and fundraisers.

The proclamation, which includes the latest openings and previous opening guidelines and remaining closures, is in effect until 11:59 p.m. on May 27.

MN governor announces next phase of COVID-19 response

On May 13, Minnesota Governor Tim Walz announced the next phase of his state's COVID-19 response. Citing progress made to prepare for the peak of infection, the governor announced a "measured, cautious turning of the dial toward a new normal."

With the Stay Home Executive Order set to expire on May 18, Walz replaced it with an order continuing to encourage Minnesotans to stay close to home but allowing for gatherings of friends and family of 10 people or less.

The governor also opened retail stores and other main street businesses if they have a social distancing plan and if they operate at 50 percent occupancy.

"Minnesotans, thank you for your continued sacrifices," Walz said. "You have saved thousands of lives. You successfully pushed out the peak of this virus and bought our state time to get ready to treat those who fall ill. We know there's no stopping the storm of COVID-19 from hitting Minnesota, but we have made great progress to prepare for it.

"This is not the time for sudden movements," Walz continued. "We are not flipping a switch and going back to normal all at once. We are slowly moving a dial and introducing more interaction between people over time. As we take cautious steps forward, it is more important than ever that we protect those most at risk, support workers, and all do our part to slow the spread of the virus."

In conjunction with the announcement the governor signed executive orders to protect Minnesotans most at risk from the virus and safeguard workers. The first executive order strongly encouraged Minnesotans at greatest risk of serious illness to continue staying home. The second order was designed to ensure that workers could raise concerns regarding the safety of their work environments without fear of discrimination or retaliation. It also protects workers from loss of income if they refuse to work under unsafe or unhealthy conditions.

"As we slowly and cautiously move the dial, we are centering Minnesota workers in our decisions," said Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan. "At this moment, worker protections are paramount. Minnesotans with underlying conditions can and should continue staying home to protect their health, and those who return to work can and should raise concerns about the health and safety practices of their workplaces without fear of discrimination or retaliation. That's how we stay safe together."

Following the guidance of public health officials, the Governor announced a preliminary set of health indicators that could trigger a decision to re-impose restrictions to slow the spread of the virus.

These indicators will be refined over time as State officials learn more about the virus and the course of the pandemic in Minnesota.

The indicators include the number of COVID-19 tests that can be conducted as well as the rate of increase in:

- Number of new COVID-19 cases
- Percent of COVID-19 tests that are positive
- Percent of COVID-19 cases for which the source of infection is unknown

"Minnesota is still in the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic and we will be dealing with its impacts for many months," said Minnesota Commissioner of Health Jan Malcolm. "We've made encouraging progress on preparedness and on safeguarding our most vulnerable, and that work will continue. As Governor Walz adjusts the state's response and guidance to meet current and future needs, we will continue to track the course of the pandemic and apply the many things we are learning about the virus and its risks. Our goal is to protect the most vulnerable Minnesotans while also learning how to live with this pandemic until a vaccine becomes widely available."

The Governor also announced that he is directing his cabinet to assemble similar guidance on how to safely re-open bars, restaurants, barbershops and salons beginning on June 1. This will coincide with a significant increase in testing, tracing and isolating the virus in the state.

No Bolan VBS

The annual Vacation Bible School event in Bolan has been cancelled for 2020.

The VBS gathering of children and volunteers from several area churches had been planned for June 22-26, with a theme of "Rocky Railway."

Currently the plan is to hold VBS with that theme in 2021, in the week following the Worth County Fair.

VBS organizers are still looking at potential ways to offer some form of virtual VBS option, and will announce that option if it becomes available.

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It is a fact of life that we are born completely dependent on others. No newborn could survive without the care and nurturing of its parents, or in their absence, others who take on the task of caring and nurturing for the child. As we grow and develop, we become more and more able to care for ourselves, with the aim of becoming independent. An independent person is one who is relatively able to care for him- or herself without relying on others. But it is an illusion to think that anyone is completely independent. Even if you earn a living and pay for all of your daily needs, you are probably not the one who grew your food or built your own house. Being independent is in reality being interdependent, that is, depending on others in a mutual relationship where we help each other. We see this interdependence everywhere: in nature, where animals rely on plants, and vice versa, and in international relations, where countries trade with each other. But this is also an essential facet of human life, where we must learn to negotiate our needs with others. People marry so that they might help each other in the raising of children and provide each other with the things which together they can provide, but which alone they lack. To use a metaphor from dancing, a couple can do things together, by supporting or lifting each other, for instance, which neither partner could do alone. Consider the myriad ways in which you rely on others, and pray for guidance in both giving and receiving help and support. –Christopher Simon

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by Sandy Olson

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

"In The Shadow of Rattlesnake Mountain" (2004, The Donning Company Publishers, Virginia Beach, Virginia) has this statement on the front cover: "A Treasury of Recipes, Photos and Memories from Lewis and Clark Through the Great Depression."

That's a long period of time! The pictures in this interesting cookbook are not the typical food artistry but are black and white photos of times past in this area of Washington State. The book is dedicated to "To all the hardy souls who settled in the shadow of Rattlesnake Mountain" It's divided into four sections corresponding to the four seasons. The following recipes are adapted from the chapter on Spring.

Creamy Rice Pudding

1/4 cup raw short-grain white rice
2 cups whole milk
6 tablespoons sugar, divided
2 eggs, separated
1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
1/2 teaspoon salt

Wash the rice and add it to the milk. Cook this, covered, in the top of a double boiler until the rice is tender, about 45 minutes. In the meantime, beat the egg yolks thoroughly. Add 4 tablespoons of the sugar and the salt. Proof the mixture by stirring a few tablespoons of the hot rice into the beaten yolks. Then, add the yolk mixture to the hot rice and cook for 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from the heat and add vanilla. Beat the egg whites until stir. Add the remaining 2 tablespoons of sugar. Fold the beaten egg whites into the rice mixture. Pour into a serving bowl, cover and chill. Serve with a dollop of real whipped cream on top. NOTE: You can add one cup of raisins that have been plumped in hot water and drained to the rice while it is cooking. Makes 6 servings.

Rhubarb Bread Pudding

8 slices white bread, toasted
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 1/2 cups whole milk
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup real butter
5 eggs, beaten
2 cups diced fresh rhubarb
1/2 cup chopped pecans
1 1/4 cups sugar

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees F. Cut the toast into 1/2-inch cubes and place in a 2-quart casserole that has been buttered. In a medium saucepan, heat the milk and butter just to boiling. Pour over the bread cubes and let stand about 15 minutes. In a medium bowl, combine the beaten eggs, sugar, cinnamon and salt. Beat together. Stir in the rhubarb. Stir this combination into the bread mixture in the casserole dish. Sprinkle with the chopped pecans. Bake for approximately 50 minutes. Let it stand for another 10-15 minutes before serving warm. Pour heavy cream over each portion if desired. Serves 6-8.

Berry Sauce

2 cups frozen berries (blueberries, raspberries, blackberries or a combination of all)
2 tablespoons cornstarch
1/4 – 1/2-cup honey, to taste

Put the berries into a large 8-cup measuring cup and add water until the level comes to 4 cups. Place this into a saucepan and bring to boiling then reduce to a simmer. In a separate bowl, combine the cornstarch with the 1/4 cup honey and enough hot liquid from the berries to form a smooth paste. Add this slowly to the hot berries, making sure they continue to simmer. Cook slowly for 5-6 minutes. Taste and adjust for desired sweetness adding more honey if necessary. Simmer for another minute or two if you have added more honey. Serve warm over pancakes or fry bread (recipe follows).

Fry Bread

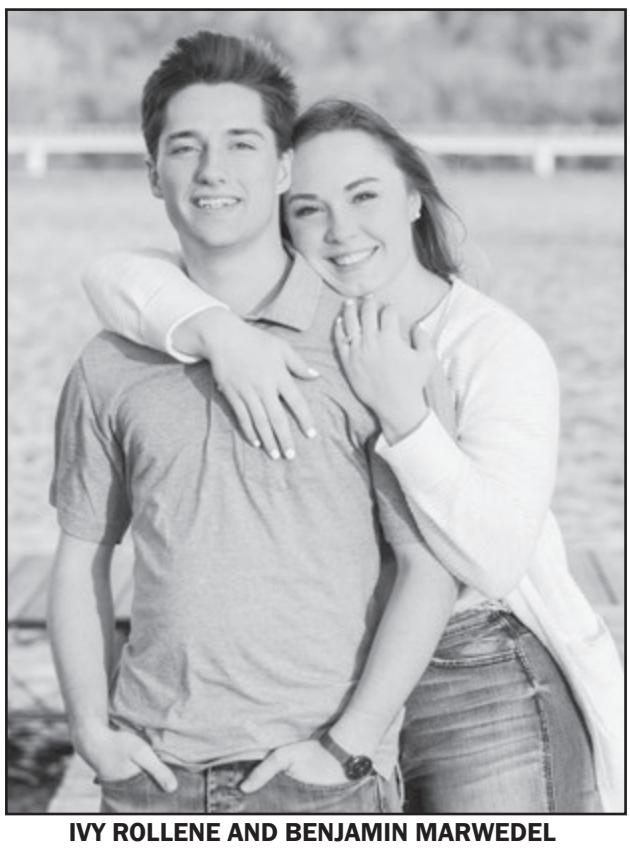
2 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 cup dry milk powder
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 tablespoon sugar
1 cup warm water
1 teaspoon salt

Mix all these ingredients together. Pat out into 8 or 9 inch circles about 1/2-inch thick, on parchment paper. Cut into wedges and make a slit in the top of each wedge. Heat vegetable oil in a heavy skillet until just below the smoking point. Fry each bread wedge one at a time, working quickly, so that each piece gets browned on all sides. Don't put more than one in the skillet at a time or the temperature of the oil will go down too far. Drain on paper toweling. SANDY'S NOTE: you can use a deep fryer for this step if you have one but don't use the basket. Just carefully place each bread wedge into the hot oil.

I purchased this cookbook on a trip to the Northwest. This area of America is filled with wonderful scenery, the beautiful Columbia and Snake Rivers and interesting history. Plus some darn good food! And….that's all she wrote.

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Rollene and Marwedel to wed



IVY ROLLENE AND BENJAMIN MARWEDEL

Ryan and Amy Rollene are delighted to announce the marriage of their daughter, Ivy Lynn Rollene, to Benjamin Marwedel of Waukee, Iowa.

The couple will get married on May 23, 2020, in a private ceremony attended by immediate and close family members. The family has enjoyed renovating Ivy's grandparents' barn loft (Tom and Irene Faber of Kensett), and the ceremony and future reception will be held there.

Five years ago, the couple met at a youth church event, and hit it off immediately. Their friendship kept them in contact throughout the years, while each carried on with their lives.

Ivy finished high school at Northwood-Kensett, then enjoyed athletics and pursuit of a physical therapist assistant degree at NIACC.

Meanwhile, Ben lived abroad for three years as a foreign exchange student in Germany, then in Columbia for two years as a missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. After Ben returned to the United States, the couple spent some time together and realized that dating long distance would be tricky, but worth it.

Who would have known that the Covid-19 pandemic would have such an effect on the course of their courtship, engagement and wedding? While it has frustrated and changed their plans many, many times; it has also brought about many blessings, as well as the opportunity for a highly anticipated future spent together as husband and wife-happily, much sooner than they initially anticipated.

The couple is planning on hosting a reception in the future, as they don't want the pandemic restrictions that are currently in place to affect them fully celebrating their marriage with their extended family and friends.

Ben and Ivy will reside in Provo, Utah, and Ivy will finish her education there. Any well wishes can be sent to their address at 811 N 100 W Apt. #6, Provo, Utah 86404.

Class of 2020 has what it takes to overcome this adversity

By Mike Simmons
Sports Editor

While at times this spring it seemed as though this COVID-19 pandemic might not come to an end until it had extracted a terrible toll on our country-physically, mentally and politically, I think that with some new hope, the light at the end of the tunnel will allow us to once again to talk about the one thing that unites us all, sports, high school sports in particular.

As I sat at home the last couple of months with not much to do other than gorge myself on social media, I became more and more saddened by the stories from the class of 2020, this year's seniors who had the moments we all took for granted ripped from them because of the spread of this terrible virus.

But as bad as it seemed to me, once I started thinking about these individual seniors, it soon dawned on me how truly special this class of 2020 is, not because of what they have had taken from them, but because in my opinion, if there was ever a class that was prepared to overcome this and move on it's the class of 2020.

Not to take anything at all away from these fine athletes, but for the most part when I see their faces in my mind, none of them are defined by their athletic ability. And while I do, for the most part, only know the seniors who are athletes, when I picture them it's usually a smile, a good deed or sharing the news of a college acceptance, the sports images come after.

That's why I think that while this has affected us all, the one group that will prevail and come out on the other end better off than most, it's the class of 2020. Having said that though, I'm sure it doesn't ease the pain that they feel at not being able to finish what they started.

For me, it's also the pain of not having closure, not being able to see the kids set a new school record in track, of seeing a kid hit a 30-foot putt for an eagle, of not seeing a kid win a district title and of not seeing kids compete at the Blue Oval for the last time.

But again, when I picture the class of 2020 athletes in my mind, I see young adults who today might be seen as victims of this pandemic, but when their history is written it will be one of overcoming adversity, on the athletic field and off. It will be a history of success. It will be a history that this class of 2020 was built for.

Another person that gets to know the kids on and off the field has a parting comment for the seniors as well.

"I would like to thank you for all the time and effort that you have given the Northwood-Kensett athletic programs over the past 3 1/2 years, I know that you have worked very hard and were ready to do great things this spring and summer," said N-K AD Steve Hartman. "But, as you know, things didn't work out that way for you and your teammates. I would also like to express how terrible I feel for you! I can't imagine how it feels not to be able to compete in sports the spring and summer of your senior year.

"Good luck in the next phase of your lives, stay safe, stay healthy and remember you're always a Viking."

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Jerry reached 80 years of awesomeness on the 18th!

If you see him around, wish him a Happy Birthday!

Love your Family

NOTICE

Due to the health situation the cemetery board will not be placing flags on Veterans graves in Sunset Rest Cemetery for Memorial Day.

Anyone wishing to place their own flag can pick one up at the cemetery May 20-23 from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. and continue to use the flag at the cemetery in future years.

Flags must be removed within 10 days.

~ Cemetery Board

Northwood-Kensett
Children's Garden
PRESCHOOL
Pre-Registration 2020-2021
Registration is for ***NEW*** students only.
Students that are attending preschool this year are already signed up.
• Call the Elementary Office 641-324-1127
• Give the Office your name and address
• The Office will mail you a form
• Return form back to the Office
Hours: Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Thank You

The Hartland Achievers 4-H Club would like to thank everyone for their support of the Taco Feed in the years past. Sorry we are not able to have it this year due to COVID-19.

If you purchased tickets from a club member and want your money back please contact your 4-H member.

Thanks Again,
Hartland Achiever Leaders & Members

Northwood Anchor **Opinion**

Class of 2020- remember the good times you shared, not those you missed

By Kris Kenison
N-KHS class of 1997

To the class of 2020…

Well that didn't exactly go as planned, did it?

As you come to the end of your high school careers, with nothing but prom (fingers crossed) and commencement remaining, your senior year will certainly be one for the history books. Normally that would be hyperbole, but in your case it is true.

Not in recent history has a group of graduating seniors had to learn so many difficult lessons in such an abrupt and undeserved manner.

Each week to prepare for the coming week's paper I look back at the year before, to make sure we're ready and prepared to cover those annual events and activities, those scrapbook moments, those issues that end up on memory boards and posters during graduation open houses.

This year has been much different. Each week I have looked at old issues and have seen what this year's seniors have been forced to miss. I don't expect to see the announcement that school closed as particularly scrapbook-worthy.

I've seen spring sports milestones last year that appeared on a weekly basis, even more bittersweet because our own Mike Simmons was forced to sit most of the season out last year and was looking forward to getting back. Mike shares his own feelings about this year's seniors elsewhere in this issue.

There was no picture of the Senior Tea this year, no acknowledgement of the annual ceremony, held since the 1930s, where the ladies of the Twenties Club shared wit and wisdom with the graduating ladies and their mothers and mother figures. Fortunately the Twenties Club is offering their own socially-distant Senior Tea alternative, announced in this week's Anchor.

There were no pictures of awards nights, where student artists and academic all-stars are recognized in person for their achievements. Luckily N-K staff worked to make a public presentation, which took place on Sunday. The academic awards can be found in the Anchor this week.

Fine arts awards winners will be shared in next week's Anchor. But for many, spring competitions and performances never happened. Speech, band, drama and choir events were missed and are missing from the paper.

There was no group photo to share on the front page of this week's graduation special section. Instead, we worked with N-K staff and seniors to share pictures from the places that they ended their senior years, at home.

This year's seniors had to learn the hard way that nothing is guaranteed.

And they had to learn what most don't understand until months or years after graduation, that some of the best things you will take from N-K are the memories made in its classrooms and hallways. To the class of 2020- Don't focus on the memories you didn't make, but cherish those memories that you did.

Cherish the moments that N-K's teachers helped you connect with a subject. And always remember those classroom quirks that made those teachers special.

Cherish the conversations you shared in between classes, or those that you took part in when your teacher didn't notice.

Cherish those inside jokes that only the N-K class of 2020 will ever understand.

Cherish the field trips.

Cherish the moments walking with friends down the halls.

Cherish the team victories and the personal successes.

Cherish the groups, clubs and teams that you joined in and out of school.

Cherish the pep rallies, the presentations, the guest speakers and all the classroom activities that made their mark or made you smile.

Cherish the friends you made.

Cherish the lessons you learned and the knowledge you'll take with you.

Cherish every way that your time at N-K made your life better.

In the end, the fact that your senior year was cut short is disappointing to be sure, but that should be a small footnote in the accomplishment of joining those that are proud to be graduates of Northwood-Kensett High School.

Congratulations to the class of 2020. Take what you've learned and make your lives and your world better for it. And wherever life takes you, remember you'll always be Vikings.



Ponderings from the Batt Cave

By Al Batt writer, speaker, storyteller and humorist.

Echoes from the Loafers' Club Teleconference Meeting

I'm suffering from stuck-home syndrome. I'm having one of those days that were threatened if I didn't forward a confounded chain letter.

You need an intellectual challenge.

I've got one. I ordered an egg and a chicken from Amazon. I'll finally be able to answer that ancient question of which comes first.

Driving by Bruce's drive

I have a wonderful neighbor, named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me, such as: I haven't played chicken with a supermarket shopping cart since early March and I'm making a list of all the door handles I'm going to touch once this thing is over. I miss watching baseball and softball played in high school and down the age ladder. I miss reading about the Twins. I've had no way of watching them on TV. Twins owner Calvin Griffith wanted the name of his team to be the Twin Cities Twins, but MLB did not.

My current travel plans are to walk to the mailbox each morning. My wife and I were in Haines, Alaska, in November. Tom Morphet of that fine city reported the winter's snowfall in Haines was 217.6 inches with 23.5 inches falling on January 26. The 2018-19 accumulation was 60.5 inches. The record is 360.7 inches that fell in 2011-12.

I used to lead tours to Anchorage, so I enjoyed reading "This Is Chance!: The Shaking of an All-American City, a Voice That Held It Together" by Jon Mooallem. It's about the 9.2-magnitude earthquake (the most powerful earthquake in North American history) that hit Anchorage on Good Friday in 1964. The protagonist, a part-time radio reporter named Genie Chance, became the voice of calm reassurance. The modern frontier town was proud of its new five-story J.C. Penney department store. That store crumpled, but the residents of Anchorage did not.

In local news

Pavement contractor disappears. His family believes he will resurface eventually.

The NFL will have a season while practicing social distancing. Fans can expect high scores.

The discovery of Asian giant hornets (murder hornets) cause toilet paper sales to skyrocket again.

Bonsai Bank cuts back branches.

Student suspended for telling his math teacher to shut his pi hole.

My neighbor Crandall stops by

Crandall has stopped saving the dishes. He's gone to paper plates. He's not a complete Neanderthal with cardboard tableware. His two forks are metal. He has a 5-second rule in his house. That's because it takes him 5 seconds to bend down and pick up dropped food from the floor. He said he's not worried about pro sports. He figures they can take care of themselves. He does wish those events would start soon so people would have something else to argue about other than politics.

I've learned

There is something unusual in every basement.

If I'm going to point a finger, I need to make sure I just washed it with soap for 20 seconds.

Over 84% of local gym members have no idea it had closed.

Ask Al

"Why did Cinderella have glass slippers?" So her feet could see where they were going.

"Why don't drivers use their turn signals?" Because they are too busy washing their hands.

"What happened to the Tinman in 'The Wizard of Oz'?" Dorothy recycled him.

Nature notes

I walked to the mailbox one morning. At the edge of the yard, there were two gray partridges. I startled them into flight. One flew north and one flew south, not likely to be seen by me for another year. I'm glad they survived the winter. I see them rarely here in the backcountry.

I watched a male cardinal feeding his mate. Male goldfinches made it a lemon drop day. My eyes were drawn to a dead tree where a great blue heron, a turkey vulture and two starlings were perched. I'm easily amused, but that thrilled me.

I let my ears take me hostage. A house wren sang a song that a bird the size of an eagle should have sung. It provided a yard full of song. A chipping sparrow trilled more like an insect than like Tiny Tim.

A visit to a local lake showed a double-crested cormorant as a blue-eyed low rider when settling in the water like a loon. Spring hurries along. It wasn't long ago when I watched five northern shoveler drakes chasing one hen. They flew as a group. It was a cross between a courtship flight and police pursuit. Now Canada goose goslings are learning to mow lawns.

Meeting adjourned

"No matter how bad things get you got to go on living, even if it kills you." — Sholom Aleichem

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Fit to print...

Remembering heroes

The following is a speech prepared for Memorial Day by the American Legion, to be shared in this newspaper, as most ceremonies have been canceled on Memorial Day.

Every crisis has new heroes. During the 9/11 attacks, they were the first responders running into burning and crumbling buildings as others ran out. Now, during the Coronavirus pandemic, the most visible heroes are the health care professionals, who are saving others and risking their own lives while doing so.

These heroes have much in common with the people that we honor today – America's fallen veterans. They are men and women who have sacrificed their own lives so others could live. They are both elite and ordinary. They are elite in the sense of character. Giving your life so others could live is the ultimate definition of selfless.

They are ordinary in the fact that they represent the diverse fabric of our country. They are rich and poor, black and white, male and female. They come from every ethnicity and background. In short, they looked like anyone of us.

As we celebrate the selfless and untiring performances of the healthcare workers during the COVID-19 pandemic, it brings to mind the military medics, doctors and nurses who sacrificed their lives while treating others on the battlefield.

One such hero was Pharmacist Mate Third Class Jack Williams. The Navy Reserve corpsman was only 20 years old when he landed on Iwo Jima 75 years ago.

On March 3, 1945, James Naughton, a Marine in Williams' unit, was wounded by a grenade. While under intense enemy fire, Williams dragged Naughton to a shallow depression and treated his wounds. Williams used his own body as a screen and was shot four times. Yet he continued.

After he treated Naughton, Williams dressed his own wounds. He then proceeded to treat another Marine, despite his own immense pain. While heading to the rear, he was hit by a sniper's bullet and killed. For his actions, Petty Officer Williams was awarded the Medal of Honor.

We also remember Army veterans like Lieutenant Sharon Lane.

According to her biographer, Philip Bigler, Lt. Lane threw herself into her work as a nurse. While serving in Colorado, she requested a transfer to Vietnam.

"There, at least, you are busy 12 hours a day, six or seven days a week," she said in a 1968 letter to her parents.

Her dedication was obvious, even as she treated enemy Viet Cong soldiers who would return the favor by kicking, cursing and spitting at their American captors.

In the early morning of June 8, 1969, Sharon's tour of duty ended. A Soviet-built rocket struck the hospital. Lieutenant Sharon A. Lane was killed in action at age 25.

If she were still here, her skills as a nurse might still be benefiting us during the current crisis. But not all of the heroes working during the COVID-19 pandemic are in the healthcare industry. Grocers, first responders, delivery workers and drive-through restaurant employees are just a few of the many people that we rely on to provide vital services for society while risking their own safety.

The military also has heroes in every occupational field. Truck drivers, cooks and administrative clerks have all paid the ultimate price. At sea, on land or in the air – military service requires great risk.

Roy Knight, Jr. was a pilot in the U.S. Air Force. On May 19, 1967, he was shot down while attacking a target on the Ho Chi Minh trail in Laos. He was posthumously promoted to colonel. Last year, a joint team from the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency discovered and later identified Col. Knight's remains.

When his remains arrived at Dallas's Love Field, a crowd had gathered to witness the dignified transfer of the flag-draped casket from the Southwest Airlines jet into the receptive arms of the military honor guard. One observer reported that the entire crowd fell silent.

The Southwest flight was piloted by another Air Force veteran, Col. Knight's son, Bryan. Bryan Knight was only five years old when he said goodbye to his father as the elder Knight left for Vietnam.

This is yet another legacy that these heroes leave behind. A legacy that includes their sons, daughters, grieving parents, grandparents and friends.

Their heroic acts are sometimes performed to protect those with whom they serve. Corporal Jason Dunham was a squad leader with the Third Battalion, 7th Marines in Iraq.

On April 14, 2004, his squad approached a Toyota

Memorial, see Page 12

Northwood Anchor Early Files

100 years ago

May 19, 1920

Postmaster Remore received official notice the first of the week that the Northwood post office will be advanced to an office of the second class, beginning July 1, 1920. Local patrons would be pleased with this news as an indication that Northwood is progressing in a business way as well as in population.

The annual lawn fete will be given by the grades and primary department of the schools. An operetta, "One Midsummer's Day," will be given by the primary children under the direction of Miss Seitsinger, and the grade children will entertain with folk dances and drills.

Isaac Bergh, a Kensett merchant, narrowly escaped instant death when he drove upon the railroad track at the passenger station immediately in front of a north bound M. & L. Passenger train. The locomotive train struck the truck almost squarely in the middle and carried and rolled it about 100 feet north of the depot. Mr. Bergh's fortune is almost a miracle, having escaped with painful bumps and bruises.

Mr. Sam H. Huber, of Meltonville, and Miss Anne Ruud, of Barton township, sprung a surprise on their friends when a few days ago they returned from a wedding trip to the Twin Cities. They were married at Austin on Tuesday, May 4, by Rev. McFarland at his residence in that city.

Harold Bolender was graduated from the shorthand and typewriting department of the Capital City Commercial college at Des Monies and came home for a short vacation before taking up regular employment.

75 years ago

May 24, 1945

With their average grades for the four years of high school study totaling exactly the same, Norma Knutson and Beth Cornick tied for first scholastic honors in the Northwood high school graduation class of 1945. Announcing their average as 94.93, the two young ladies were presented by Supt. E.A. Prehm as commencement exercises held in the High School gymnasium.

Loss by hail was suffered in the northern tier of townships in Worth County, with the Deer Creek vicinity suffering the greatest damage. Several windows were broken, and some crops beaten into the ground by the hail which was reported as being an inch deep on the level after the storm. Many chickens were killed.

Effecting an escapee from Nazi guards while being marched from one German prison camp to another, hiding in a threshing machine with little food for three days in company with another escaped prisoner, and finally reaching British troops who cared for him, is the thrilling experience told by S/Sgt. Robert Johnston of Northwood who arrived home, just two months after his escape. He is now at the Carl Hopperstad farm home where he lives.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Kaasa of Hanlontown have received word that their son, Pvt. Harris Kaasa, was wounded in action recently on Okinawa Island in the Pacific. No information has been received as to the extend of his injuries.

50 years ago

May 21, 1970

Carol Jones, Rick Brackey, Koralee Trenhaile, Jerry Jaspers, Denise Johnson and Lynn Tenold crossed the drawbridge to the dance floor at the Northwood-Kensett Junior-Senior prom. Theme of the prom was "Once Upon a Time."

The Rev. Al Sandness of Silver Lake and Bristol Lutheran churches will deliver the baccalaureate sermon "People who need people" on May 24, at the high school auditorium. The service will begin at 8 p.m. The Rev. H.A. Wilke of First Lutheran will give the invocation, and the Rev. Earl Josten of Northwood and Kensett United Methodist churches will give the scripture reading. The benediction will be pronounced by the Rev. LaMonie Jacobs of Bethany and Elk Creek Kensett.

Ron Winter, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Winter, rural Northwood, visited Strasburg, France. The two are on tour in Europe with the Wartburg College Choir, and are also taking summer art courses.

Michael Gaskill, a graduate of Iowa State University, Ames, has been hired as vocational agriculture instructor in the Lake Mills Community School. A 1965 graduate of the Northwood-Kensett High School, Mike has been taking graduate teaching at Calmar since his graduation from Iowa State. He has also attended Austin Junior College for two years. He is a son of the Donald Gaskills, rural Northwood.

25 years ago

May 24, 1995

Three-year-old Alyssa Perry went for a walk with her grandmother Verla Perry and wound up swimming in a sea of dandelions.

Northwood residents Lois and Don Hogen hosted a Syttende May celebration for a raft of area Norwegian-Americans on May 17. The Hogens and several other celebrants in traditional Norwegian dress, Ruth and Olaf Brenno of Kensett and Synnove Johansen of Lier, Norway, and Synnove's husband Gunnar joined in displaying the Norwegian flag for the photographer. The Johansens are visiting relatives and friends North Iowa and southern Minnesota until June 3. Mrs. Johansen wore the traditional Norwegian graduation cap and tassels.

Northwood-Kensett juniors Carrie Meyer and Jay Weselmann received the "I Dare You Award" at the high school's annual Academic Achievement Awards night.

Northwood-Kensett High School graduates Teresa Halvorsen and Paul Hengesteg showed off the raft of honors they reaped at the school's annual Academic Achievement Awards. The many honors Halvorsen won included the John Phillip Sousa Award and the Iowa High School Speech Association's Speech Achievement Award. Among his honors, Hengesteg listed the N-K Choral Award, the Outstanding Speaker Award, and the N-K band's Persistence Award.

10 years ago

May 25, 2005

N-K's Sam Arnold celebrated a state title as he crossed the finish line in the 4x200 meter relay at the Iowa State Track and Field Championships. The team of Arnold, Nik Werner, Spencer Capitani and Jayson Olson took home the gold in the event with a time of 1:31.76.

Judith Ann Miller with the touring Lipizzaner Stallion show. She leading the stallion Maestoso Bella through a movement known as a "corbette," where he rears up on his hind legs and hops forward multiple times, originally a battlefield technique used to break enemy lines.

As their school year came to an end, kids in Children's Garden Preschool put on a performance for their families. The event included a sing-a-long performance of "The Little Red Hen," whose tale teaches the benefits of friends pitching in to share some dough, or bread in the hen's case. The elementary-students-to-be sang some sings before taking part in a special graduation ceremony.

Erich and Geri Hoeft of Northwood are excited to announce the long awaited arrival of their son, Isaac Benjamin Hoeft. Issac was born at 8:54 p.m. on April 28 at Mercy Medical Center in Mason City.

A rain soaked Tanner Haberman navigated the hurdles on the wet Blue Oval at Drake Stadium in the 110 meters shuttle hurdle relay. Haberman, Jayson Olson, Spencer Capitani and Sam Arnold placed 11th in the event.

Legislature to reconvene June 3



Jane Bloomingdale
Iowa House
District 51

As businesses and communities reopen, it is clear that it is time for the Legislature to get back to Des Moines and complete its work. Leadership has announced that the Legislature will reconvene on Wednesday, June 3. When lawmakers return, Iowans can expect lawmakers to address their priorities and pass a conservative and responsible state budget plan. Leadership has requested the Revenue Estimating Conference to meet as we need to have the most up to date data and information possible. We have many uncertainties, but fortunately we are in a good position currently as we have a healthy projected surplus and full reserve accounts.

Voting absentee

The easiest and safest way to vote in this year's primary is by requesting an absentee ballot. Registered voters in Iowa were mailed a request form the end of April. If you didn't receive one or cannot find it, you can download a request form at www.sos.iowa.gov. Absentee ballot request forms must be received by your county auditor by May 22. Once received, fill out and return by voting day (June 2) or postmark by the Monday before (June 1).

Vote on Election Day

As always, you'll continue to be able to cast your ballot and vote on Election Day at a polling station. However, with the COVID-19 outbreak, some counties have reduced the number of polling locations to protect their poll workers and voters. If you live in a county that has done this, be sure to double check your polling site before leaving and expect the possibility of longer than usual wait times in line.

We are reopening our communities, our economy and our country with new restrictions and protocols in place for our safety. I agree it is time to open our economy, but COVID is not gone. Please continue social distancing and good hygiene. Stay safe. Together we will get through this. I am posting updates often on my Facebook page- facebook.com/votebloomingdale. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns. My email is: jane.bloomingdale@legis.iowa.gov.

The Constituent Connection



Waylon Brown
State Senator
District 26

88th General Assembly:

The pandemic has brought on a number of struggles in our country and in our state, and more than just containing the spread of the virus. Unemployment has skyrocketed. A number of stores and restaurants have had to close their doors and some have been forced to close permanently. One of the big struggles Iowa is facing is in the agricultural industry and the food supply chain. Throughout this pandemic, the governor has been working to strike a balance between protecting Iowans and keeping as much of our state working as possible, especially essential services. Meat production facilities are an indispensable part of the food supply chain as Iowa works to provide affordable food to the world.

At the time of this writing, more than half of Iowa's pork processing plants are operating at less than capacity. Iowa has thousands of pig farmers and support over one hundred thousand jobs. Shutting down these plants has a major impact across our economy. This impact is not limited just to farmers – it affects everyone. If the plants cannot run, livestock cannot be processed and farmers may be forced into euthanizing some of their livestock. Even running at partial capacity means a number of pigs cannot be processed, causing a backup on many farms. These backups impact the supply of food, increasing prices in the coming months, and make it even more difficult for people to afford food in an uncertain economy, most significantly impacting lower-income Iowans and lower-income Americans.

Because of the disruptions in the food supply chain, a number of resources have been developed and released to help the agriculture industry. A few weeks ago I mentioned "Pass the Pork" from the Iowa Pork Producers and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (IDALS), connecting Iowa hog farmers with Iowans who need food. The Resource Coordination Center is a place where hog farmers can connect with industry experts and learn more about their options when it comes to their livestock. I'd encourage all livestock farmers to visit iowafarmerhelp.com if they are looking for resources and options for their livestock. I'd also encourage you to read this message from Secretary Naig on both financial and emotional support for producers during this difficult time.

Work at the federal level continues to try to find relief for the livestock industry. IDALS is looking for more resources and FEMA funding to help with livestock disposal. They also recently submitted a request to the USDA as a framework to provide more relief to livestock farmers. Additionally, Senator Chuck Grassley and Senator Joni Ernst introduced a bill to increase transparency in cattle pricing after concerns were raised about low cattle prices but high grocery store prices. Several states also have state-based Meat and Poultry Inspection (MPI) programs that allow products to be sold in state. A bill in the U.S. Senate, S.2814, would allow meat and poultry products inspected by these programs to be sold in other states and help relieve some of the disruptions in the food supply chain.

Just as important as limiting the closures of those facilities is ensuring the safety of the workers and doing everything possible to prevent the spread of the virus. Public health officials have been working tirelessly to test impacted workers and ensure they have access to the care they need. By following guidelines from the CDC and Iowa Department of Public Health, processing plants can continue to work and keep their employees safe. Maintaining the health of the processing plant employees and working to keep these plants open is critical to the livelihood and health of not just Iowans, but everyone across the world.



N-K School

The Northwood-Kensett Board of Directors met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, May 14, 2020 in the Secondary Media Center and Remotely via Google Meet at 7:00 P.M.

Members present in person: Larry Hovey;

Members present via Google Meet: John Anderson, Roger Harris, Cindy Pangburn; Susan Kliment

Members Absent: none

(5-0) Approved the agenda; April 9 regular meeting and April 28 special meeting minutes; Financial Reports for April; May bills for payment

Reports

Elementary Principal: 1) Preschool schedule changes mailed to parents 2) Laptop drop-off and materials pick up May 14-15, 3-7 pm at both buildings 3) End of year parade on May 12 in Kensett and Northwood

Secondary Principal: 1) Adding Junior High Spanish exploratory 2) Senior Awards Night will be on KISS FM website, May 17 at 7 pm

Superintendent: 1) 1:1 devices for K-3 to prepare for required distance learning if needed in the future 2) Concrete replacement at high school student parking lot entrances and northwest entrance to elementary parking lot 3) Five days of teacher professional development will be moved from the end of the 2019-20 school year to the beginning of the 2020-21 school year to better prepare for student learning that may be affected by the continued public health crisis

School Board: 1) Next regular board meeting scheduled for June 11th

Old Business

Transportation Facility update: Potential land swap has fallen through and are investigating alternative spots for the facility. One possibility is on school property located near northwest corner of the high school.

New Business

Certificates for School Board Service given to board members. Years of Service: Roger Harris 11; Susan Kliment 11; Cindy Pangburn 15; John Anderson 16; Larry Hovey 27

(5-0) Approved the Class of 2020 for graduation

2020-21 School Calendar

Discussion was held on early start date for students and it was agreed that it was in the best interest of students to leave the start date as originally scheduled. Teaching staff will start 5 days early in order to better prepare a student learning plan at a time when more information is available regarding the public health crisis. No public hearing is required for this calendar change.

(5-0) Approved no increase in student fees for 2020-2021 as presented by Mr. Crozier

(5-0) Approved a $0.10 increase in all student breakfast prices; $0.15 increase in adult breakfast price; $0.10 increase in all student lunch prices; $0.05 increase in extra milk; $0.10 increase in adult lunch prices for 2020-2021 school

(5-0) Approved the Teacher Leadership Compensation positions for 2020-2021 as presented by Mr. Crozier

(5-0) Accepted the resignation of Sue Bestul as secondary teacher at the end of the 2019-2020 school year

(5-0) Accepted the resignation of Patti Trenhaile as secondary associate at the end of the 2019-2020 school year

(5-0) Accepted the resignation of Jordan Reindl as JH boys track coach for the 2020-21 school year pending suitable replacement

(5-0) Approved Mackensie Sauerbrei as full time secondary Spanish teacher for the 2020-2021 school year at the BA-4 level

(5-0) Adjourned the meeting at 7:58 pm

Northwood-Kensett CSD
5/14/20

A & I AUTO REPAIRS.....5,285.91
AHLERS & COONEY legal services.....480.00
AIRGAS, SUPPLIES .163.40
All Star Pest Control pest control.....150.00
ALLIANT ENERGY ELECTRICITY....13,552.65
Amazon, SUPPLIES ..576.25
Batteries Plus supplies.....450.00
BLICK ART MATERIALS SUPPLIES.....250.09
CARQUEST SUPPLIES.....334.22
CenterPoint Energy Services natural gas 4,278.51
Central Rivers AEA reading recovery....1,150.00
CITY OF NORTHWOOD water/sewer 309.40
Crisis Prevention Institute training.....150.00
Dahl, Denise reimb supplies 240.73
DEPT OF ED bus inspection.....600.00
DES MOINES REGISTER subscription 10.69
eReplacementParts.com supplies..... (14.53)
FOREST CITY CSD shared librarian 1,387.38
HOVEY'S LAWN AND GARDEN, LAWN CARE 2,500.00
Impact7G inspection.....600.00
IA ASSOC OF SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICIALS registration.....75.00
IA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, BACKGROUND CHECKS.....90.00
Ia Water Management Co boiler service.....200.00
John Deere, repairs....826.58
Kelly Hardware SUPPLIES.....91.28
Marco, copier lease.....140.90
MARTIN BROTHERS supplies.....1,358.79
MASON CITY CSD spec ed; educare ..15,682.69
Mick Gage Plumbing & Heating plumbing.....360.00
MIKE'S AUTOMOTIVE REPAIRS 400.54
NIACC concurrent enrollment 32,798.38
NORTHWOOD ANCHOR PUBLICATION.....157.35
NORTHWOOD ELECTRIC ELECTRICAL SERVICES 142.48
NORTHWOOD SANITATION, garbage.....610.00
Piper Sandler financial services...1,500.00
POSTMASTER postage.....1,037.86
SIOUX CITY CSD tuition 611.52
UMB Bank admin fees 300.00
VER HELST DRUG SUPPLIES.....2.32
WCTA, phone service.938.60
Fund Number 10 ...89,778.99
A & I AUTO REPAIRS-deductible250.00
Fund Number 22.....250.00
INSTRUMENTALIST CO supplies.....72.00
IA GIRLS HS ATHLETIC UNION, membership.100.00
NASSP, membership .385.00
NORTHWOOD AG. PRODUCTS, services 3,079.08
rSchool Today subscription 300.00
Schroeder Baseball supplies.....582.00
Splash Multisport & Custom supplies.....370.00
Staples, supplies 397.56
Thorson, Megan reimb supplies 41.50
TROPHIES PLUS supplies.....506.32
VISA, supplies.....129.99
Worth Co Veterinary Services supplies.....29.30
Fund Number 21 .....5,992.75
Tremco/Weatherproofing Technologies repair services 3,086.20
Fund Number 33 .....3,086.20
Marco, copier lease..1,148.48
Software Unlimited accounting software 7,050.00
Fund Number 36 .....8,198.48
ANDERSON ERICKSON DAIRY, MILK 2,751.91
FALLGATTER'S SUPPLIES.....14.37
Hennigar, Amy reimb supplies 121.46
KECK FOOD DISTRIBUTION COMMODITIES.....694.92
MARTIN BROTHERS food/supplies 6,225.31
PAN-O-GOLD BAKING CO BREAD 167.90
Fund Number 61 .....9,975.87

City Council

The Council of the City of Northwood met in regular session by conference call on May 11, 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 the following under Consent Agenda: Council Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2020; Treasurer Report; Set Public Hearing for Amendment of FY19-20 Budget for May 26, 2020 at 6 pm; Claims as follows:

Payable to: For: Amount
NSB, Monthly ACH ... $20.00
Iowa Dept of Revenue Water Excise Tax $1,269.00
Iowa Dept of Revenue Sales Tax $372.00
Professional Solutions Credit Card Fees $8.18
Wellmark BCBS Insurance..... $10,983.30
Payroll, Wages..... $17,054.34
Verizon Cell Phones-tr,fd $107.44
Visa Sewer training-pw.. $249.99
Principal Insurance..... $410.62
USPS, Mailing-cc $278.95
Dave Syverson 2005 Dump Truck $37,905.00
Payroll, Wages..... $17,144.72
Albert Lea Seed House Supplies $242.72
Alliant Energy Services..... $16,927.33
Andrew Beredford Water Dep. Refund $122.56
Berge Oil Fuel-pw,tr..... $355.74
Brown Supply Co. Supplies-pw $766.00
CarQuest Supplies-pw $153.05
Casey Kisner Refund-cc $50.00
D & L Equipment Parts-pw $145.23
David Patrick Services-cc,lib $57.00
Dirk Van Ryswyk Supplies-pw $100.00
Eilertson Repair Repairs-pw..... $126.16
George Goeders Refund-cc $25.00
Hawkins Supplies-tr $2,682.20
Heartland Asphalt Street Repair-pw . $7,682.26
Heartland Asphalt Supplies-pw $832.46
Huber Supply Supplies-pw $34.47
Iowa One Call Services-pw..... $33.30
John Deere Financial Freight, supplies-pw $200.44
John Greve Legal Services $500.00
Kelly Hardware Supplies $449.69
Keystone Labs Testing-pw..... $12.50
Logan Butler Boots-pw $219.30
Megan Thorson Refund-rec $40.00
Misty Pierce Water Dep. Refund .. $62.78
Northwood Anchor Publications..... $388.03
Northwood Chiropractic DATA $60.00
Northwood Sanitation Spring Clean-up .. $9,451.00
Northwood Sanitation Services..... $7,696.00
Northwood Senior Center Donation $650.00
Northwood Waterworks Water Dep. Transfer-cc..... ..... $80.00
Northwood Waterworks Water Dep. Transfer-cc..... ..... $130.00
Northwood Waterworks Water Dep. Transfer-cc..... ..... $67.22
Northwood Waterworks Water Dep. Transfer-cc..... ..... $96.03
Office Depot Supplies-cc..... $54.46
Proline Dist. Supplies-pw $289.85
Sanco Equipment Parts-pw $96.96
SCP, Services-pw $225.10
Trading Post Parts-pw $92.82
Unity Point Clinic DATA $84.00
WCTA, Phone..... $651.15
Westrum Leak Detection Leak Detection-pw $2,100.00
WHKS Bridge Inspections $2,150.00
Worth Co. Recorder Record Release-cc..... $14.00
Worth Co. Sheriff's Police Services... $29,087.66
Worth Lumber Supplies-pw $17.88
Worthwhile Wind & Solar Water Dep. Refund $130.00
Library:
Visa, Materials..... $77.29
Alliant Energy Utilities..... $264.63
Baker & Taylor Materials $347.21

Summary of April 2020 receipts by fund type: General - $537,674.79; Special Revenue-$240,040.65; Debt Service - $172,284.20; Capital Projects-$2,568.57; Enterprise- $90,984.05; Trust & Agency - $0.

Summary of April 2020 disbursements by fund type: General - $240,535.92; Special Revenue-$327,019.48; Debt Service-$50,000; Capital Projects-$0; Enterprise-$53,127.15; Trust & Agency - $0.

Roll was called and the following voted Aye: George-Zenz, Meyer, Nerlien, Reeder, Tenold. Unam

Motion to approve purchasing Northwood Drive by Brochures for $150.00. Unam.

Motion to approve the Warranty Easement Deed in Perpetuity for DD21. Unam.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2005-14 Setting Salaries for FY20-21. Unam.

Motion to hire Hayden Halbach at $10.50/hr and Mason Thofson at $10.00/hr as seasonal part-time cemetery helpers for the summer of 2020. Unam.

Motion to adjourn. Unam.

Doug Moehle, Mayor
Amber Julseth
City Administrator/Clerk

Notice

Public Notice

There will be a Worth County Zoning Board of Adjustment Public Hearing held on June 3rd, 2020 The meeting will be held at 7:30 P.M. in the magistrate's room at the Worth County Courthouse. The purpose of the hearing is to act upon a change of the use of agricultural land to Light Industrial in accordance of Section XVI regulations of the Worth County, Iowa Zoning Ordinance. Knudtson Oil/H&K Propane has requested the change of use to place a 10,000 gallon propane storage tank in a 5 acre parcel in Section 31, of Hartland Township in Range 21 W of Worth County, IA.

An electronic meeting format is made available pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.8 – In circumstances where such a meeting is impossible or impractical due to concerns about COVID-19 and social distancing for the safety of board members and the public. Public access will be made available by computer or telephone by contacting the zoning administrator for instructions to join the meeting at jayne.lupkes@worthcounty.org.

Written comments will be accepted through the day of the public hearing at the office of the Zoning Administrator, 1000 Central Ave., Northwood, IA 50459. Oral questions or comments can be directed to the Worth County Zoning Administrator at 641-430-1685.

Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WORTH COUNTY
PROBATE NO. ESPR009210
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CURTIS A. HILL, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Curtis A. Hill, Deceased, who died on or about August 21, 2019, 2019:

You are hereby notified that on May 6, 2020, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate.

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

Dated May 11, 2020.

Ray E. Hill, Jr.
37263 Pine Cone Dr.
Menahga, MN 56464
Administrator of the Estate

John H. Greve
ICIS#: 000001969
Greve Law
736 Central Ave.
P.O. Box 167
Northwood, Iowa 50459
Attorney for the Administrator

Date of second publication 20th day of May, 2020.

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Notice

The Annual Report of the Carrie and Oren Igou Scholarship Fund is available at the address noted below for inspection during normal business hours by any citizen who so requests within 180 days after publication of this notice of its availability.

Carrie and Oren Igou Scholarship Fund.
Douglas A. Krull, Trustee. 714 Central Avenue, Northwood, IA 50459. Telephone: 641-324-1981.

The Principal Manager is Tom Watts. 641-324-2122.

Notice

Public Notice
Antidegradation Alternatives Analysis for the City of Northwood Wastewater Facility
Northwood, Iowa
Notice Date: May 20, 2020

Notice is hereby given that the City of Northwood Wastewater Facility, Northwood, Iowa, has completed a draft antidegradation alternatives analysis for the discharge of an extended aeration activated sludge wastewater treatment facility to the Shell Rock River. The action being considered is the treatment of leachate from the Central Disposal Systems, Inc., Landfill. The Shell Rock River is protected for Class A1, Primary Contact Recreational, B(WW-1) Warm Water Beneficial Uses and HH Human Health.

Anyone wishing to comment on the proposed treatment alternative must do so in writing within 30 days of the date shown at the top of this notice. Comments may be submitted to the Facility's Engineer by hand delivery or mail: Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc, 215 North Adams Avenue, Mason City, Iowa 50401.

Copies of this notice, the draft antidegradation alternatives analysis and supporting information are on file and available for public inspection from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday at the above address. Copies of this information may be requested by contacting Rustin Lingbeek, PE at 641-424-6344 or in writing at the above address. The City of Northwood Wastewater Facility will submit a summary of comments received and facility's responses to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources with the final alternatives analysis subject to IDNR review and approval.

Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Beth E. Reinhart Charitable Trust will be accepting Applications for grants during the period of July 1 to August 31. Charitable purposes for the benefit of children shall include educational activities, youth programs, delivery of health care services and any other charitable purpose benefitting children and acceptable to the Trustees within a fifty (50) mile radius of Mason City, Iowa.

For complete procedure details, please contact:
Beth E. Reinhart Charitable Trust
c/o Sandy Benson
P.O. Box 894
Mason City, Iowa 50401
Phone: 641-430-4563
Email: bethcharitable trust@outlook.com

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641-324-1221

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John Midtgaard, Agent
900 Central Ave., Northwood, IA
Office 641-324-1023 Home 324-1391

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701 9th St. N., Northwood
Scott Halbach, Administrator
641-324-1712

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• Full Time position with benefits
• Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
• Occasional weekend visit
• IPERS and Health Insurance
Applications available online at **www.worthcounty.org, or at the**
Public Health Office
95 9th St. N., Northwood, Iowa
641-324-1741
Please call the Public Health Office ahead of time if needing to pick up an application.
Application deadline is June 1, 2020, or until the position is filled.
We are an equal opportunity employer.

Supervisors

May 11, 2020
Twentieth Day

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

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

Stone led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the May 11, 2020 agenda.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the May 4, 2020 board minutes.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve drainage claims in the amount of $57,951.45 as per the following schedule:

Peterson Excavating & Dr .....DD #11/Lat 51 System, Repairs $36,580.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD #11/Main A, Prof Services $6,022.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD #13/Ditch 3, Prof Services..... ..... $3,870.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc. ....DD #21 West, Prof Services $6,096.00
Rogness Bros Excavating DD #30, Repairs $2,220.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc., DD #46/Lat 9, Prof Services..... ..... $1,970.00
Popp Farm Drainage, DD #79 Main System, Repairs.... ..... $332.05
Popp Farm Drainage, DD #49, Repairs..... $321.40
Rogness Bros Excavating DD #17/Lat 2H, Repairs $540.00
..... $57,951.45

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the claims in the amount of $257,024.74 per the following schedule:

A & I Auto Body Inc
Service-Con..... 220.72
Alliant Energy
Service-Eng 3,398.45
Ameripride Services Inc
Service-Eng 233.91
Austin Office Products
Supplies-Shf 79.00
Berge Oil Company
Fuel-Eng 12,487.98
Black Hills Energy Inc
Service-Eng 428.63
Bmc Aggregates Llc
Rock-Eng 3,629.68
Bob Barker Company Inc
Supplies-Shf 322.76
Carquest Auto Parts Inc
Parts-Eng..... 1,345.02
Cavett's Lawn & Garden Equip, Parts-Eng..... 5.54
Centurylink
Service-Eng 53.00
Chrysler Of Forest City
Parts-Con..... 150.00
Cintas Corporation
Supplies-Eng 80.75
City Of Fertile
Rutf-Eng 2,026.48
City Of Grafton
Rutf-Eng 1,164.90
City Of Hanlontown
Rutf-Eng 473.56
City Of Joice
Rutf-Eng 1,226.87
City Of Kensett
Rutf-Eng 606.70
City Of Manly
Service-Eng 57.68
City Of Northwood
Service-Gsr 416.99
Dave Syverson Inc
Parts-Eng..... 381.59
Eilertson Repair
Service-Con..... 15.00
Electronic Engineering
Service-Shf..... 4,860.00
Falkstone Llc
Rock-Eng 8,995.78
Five Star Cooperative
Supplies-Eng 479.23
Greve Law Office
Rent & Payroll-Aty 5,897.00
Heartland Asphalt Inc
Supplies-Eng 2,153.58
Huber Supply Co Inc
Supplies-Eng 232.83
Institute Of Ia Cert Assessors
Edu-Asr..... 740.00
Ip Pathways
Service-Dap 104,387.48
J & J Machining Welding & Fabricating
Parts-Eng..... 15.57
Joe's Collision & Performance Inc, Service-Eng 81.60
Kelly Hardware
Supplies-Con 305.04
Keltek Inc
Service-Shf & Dap42,099.96
Kibble Equipment Llc
Supplies-Con 205.99
Lawson Products Inc
Parts-Eng..... 1,147.23
Lexisnexis
Service-Aty 171.00
Marco Technologies Llc
Service-Dap & Asr.... 504.15
Martin Marietta Materials Inc, Rock-Eng 7,820.94
Mediacom
Service-Gsr 227.53
Medline Industries Inc.
Supplies-Phd 3,626.63
Midwest Pipe Supply Inc
Supplies-Eng 4,005.00
Napa Auto Parts
Parts-Eng..... 34.47
Nelson Family Trust
Rent-Shf..... 300.00
Niacog, Service-Ndp... 600.00
Northwood Sanitation Llc
Service-Gsr 191.50
Overhead Door Co Of Mason City, Service-Eng 2,010.80
Plunkett's Pest Control Inc
Service-Shf..... 124.80
Printing Services Inc
Supplies-Dap 69.90
Purchase Power
Postage-Trs..... 530.98
Quill Corporation
Supplies-Phd 38.50
Ram Systems
Service-Phd..... 720.00
Reinhart Food Service Llc
Supplies-Shf 410.14
Rick Christeson
Reimb-Eng..... 35.00
Shred Right
Service-Gsr 7.22
Singelstad's Hardware
Parts-Eng..... 21.99
Staples Credit Plan
Supplies 573.28
State Election Administrators Training
Dues-Aud 150.00
The Sidwell Company
Service-Dap 1,155.00
Trading Post
Supplies-Con 293.50
Usps, Postage-Aud 735.00
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc
Service-Ndp 14,390.96
Verizon Wireless
Service-Shf..... 1,280.81
Visa, Supplies-Dap.. 4,070.09
Wex Bank
Service-Tra 447.06
Winnebago Co Auditor
Service-Soc..... 3,721.30
Winnebago Coop Telephone Assn, Service-Gsr 3,048.99
Worth County Engineer
Fuel-Shf..... 3,243.22
Worth Lumber Co
Supplies-Con 143.64
Xerox Corporation
Service-Dap 42.75
Ziegler Inc
Parts-Eng..... 1,842.09
Grand Total 257,024.74

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the 28E Agreement between Northwest Iowa Care Connections and Worth County as member county.

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to approve the Northwest Iowa Care Connections Bylaws.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the Personnel Contract between Northwest Iowa Care Connections and Worth County.

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to approve Homestead and Military Disallowances as presented by Joan Vorland, Assessor's Office.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve the Payment in Lieu of Taxes Waiver for North Iowa Regional Housing Authority in the amount of $1,414.95.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to approve

RESOLUTION #2020.05.11

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE VIKINGS ACTIVITY CENTER PROJECT AND COMMITTING FUNDS FOR A COMMUNITY ATTRACTION AND TOURISM APPLICATION

WHEREAS, Worth County fully supports cultural and educational activities for all ages; and,

WHEREAS, the construction of the Vikings Activity Center is necessary to provide services currently not available to the residents of Worth County,

WHEREAS, the construction of this facility will allow residents of the County to experience new cultural and educational activities and programming, and provide meeting space for residents of the County and surrounding area; and,

WHEREAS, the Vikings Activity Center will more fully enhance the quality of life for Worth County and area residents; and,

WHEREAS, the Viking Activity Project will provide an attraction to residents outside of the County of Worth, creating a potential economic opportunity for the County; and,

WHEREAS, the Worth County Board of Supervisors fully endorses the project and commits $5000 to the project to be used as match for Community Attraction and Tourism funds ($2,500 in FY21 & $2,500 in FY22).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Worth County, that the Board of Supervisors endorses the project and commits funds to the project.

PASSED, THIS 11 DAY OF MAY, 2020.

Aaron Stone, Chairman of Board of Supervisors
Attest:
Jacki A. Backhaus, County Auditor

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

Motion by Abrams, second by Smeby, carried to approve acknowledgment of county receipt of manure management plan annual updates from the following: Steve Wyborny for Facility #69466 located in Section 24, Barton Township, Worth County.

Motion by Smeby, second by Abrams, carried to adjourn at 9:34 A.M. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be Monday, May 18, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.

Jacki A. Backhaus
Auditor
Aaron Stone
Chairperson

Notice

The Annual Report of the Esther E. Losee Scholarship Fund is available at the address noted below for inspection during normal business hours by any citizen who so requests within 180 days after publication of this notice of its availability.

Esther E. Losee Scholarship Fund
714 Central Avenue, Northwood, IA 50459

The Principal Manager is: Douglas A. Krull, Trustee; Telephone: 641-324-1981.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Worth County Commissioner of Elections
NOTICE OF 2020 PRIMARY ELECTION
TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2020

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of Worth County, State of Iowa, that the Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, June 2, 2020. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. Voting locations have temporarily changed for all voters due to the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are unsure of your voting location for this election, please contact the Auditor's office at 641-324-2316. You may also verify the voting location for your address at: https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/voterreg/pollingplace/search.aspx. The voting location and address for this election is as follows:

PRECINCT #1-1, PRECINCT #1-2, PRECINCT #2-1, PRECINCT #2-2, PRECINCT #2-3, PRECINCT #2-4 and

PRECINCT #3-1 – KENSETT COMMUNITY CENTER – 300 Willow Street, Kensett, IA

In addition to the offices and names listed on the sample ballots below, some offices and candidates' names will appear on ballots in other affected precincts in this county. They will include:

Board of Supervisors – District 2

Precincts #2-1, 2-2, 2-3, & #2-4

REP.....Gary A. Hanson

REP.....Mark Smeby

REP.....William Schulte

DEM.....No Candidate

Pre-registered voters are required to provide an approved form of identification at the polling place before they may receive and cast a ballot. Voters who are not pre-registered or who have changed precincts also may be required to provide proof identity and residence. Any voter who cannot show ID may have their identity attested to by another registered voter in the precinct who has proper ID. The best form of ID is a valid Iowa Driver's license or Non-operator ID with current address. Acceptable forms of ID that have expired in 2020 (since January 1, 2020) shall be current and valid when presented at the polling place on the Primary Election Day. For additional information about voter identification visit https://sos.iowa.gov/voterid or phone 641-324-2316.

The voting site is fully accessible to persons with physical disabilities. Each precinct has an FVT machine, which is a voter assist terminal for anyone who has a visual impairment or any difficulty in reading the ballot.

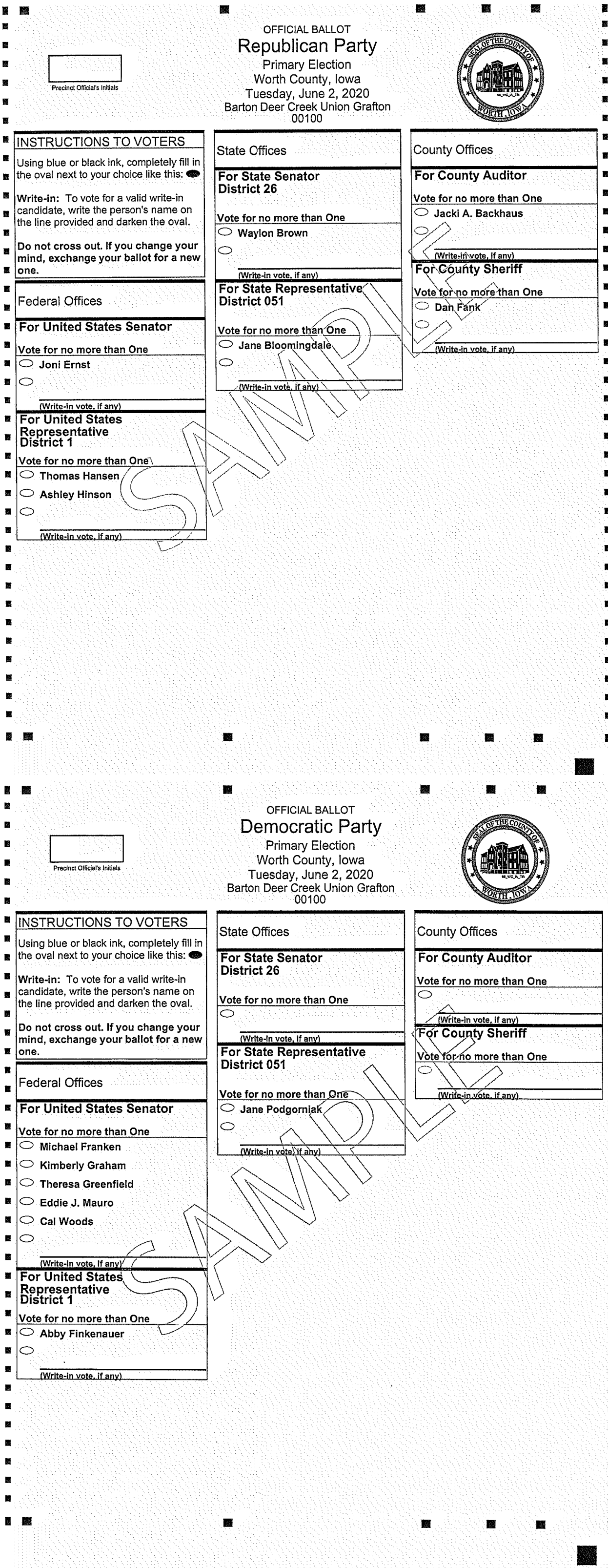
Voters may also choose another person to assist them to vote, except their employer, employer's agent or an officer or agent of the voter's union. Curbside voting is available at the site for voters unable to leave their vehicle. For further information, please contact the County Auditor's office at 641-324-2316 or email at auditor@worthcounty.org

The Voter Pre-Registration deadline is Friday, May 22, at 5:00 p.m. That is also the last day to request an absentee ballot by mail. Voters may cast an absentee ballot, in person, at the Auditor's Office until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 1.

A public test of the voting equipment to be used in this election will begin on Friday, May 29 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Auditor's Office. The public is welcome to attend this demonstration.

Dated this 20th day of May 2020

Jacki A. Backhaus,
Worth County Auditor/
Commissioner of Elections



N-K parade ends the 2019-2020 school year















A banner and a parade

Last week the banner seen above was added to the basketball courts in downtown Northwood. It was designed as a central message of congratulations and support for this year's graduating seniors. It was designed by Heather Anderson-Thofson and funded and put place by Tim Johnson, of Johnson Vinyl Graphics, and Brian Kenison, of Kenison Construction. Other pictures on this page are of N-K's Class of 2020, joined by N-K faculty and staff as they paraded through Northwood and Kensett last Tuesday in an end of the year celebration.













Memorial
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Land Cruiser. After his squad discovered AK-47s in the vehicle, the enemy insurgent exited and engaged in hand-to-hand fighting with the unit. The driver dropped a grenade.

To save his fellow Marines, Corporal Dunham made the ultimate sacrifice. He threw himself on the grenade and tried to use his helmet to shield the blast. Severely wounded by the grenade's fragments, Cpl. Dunham was taken off life-support eight days later.

Corporal Dunham died so other Marines could live. He, too, was awarded the Medal of Honor for his gallantry.

Approximately one million men and women of the U.S. military have lost their lives in defense of our nation since the founding of this great Republic.

Not all have died from enemy fire. Some have died from diseases that have too often festered around war zones. Often times, deaths from disease and accidents outnumbered casualties caused by enemy weapons.

During the Spanish American War, 60 soldiers of the all-black 24th Infantry Regiment volunteered to serve as nurses. Thirty-six of them would later die of yellow fever or malaria.

A generation later, the flu would kill nearly 16,000 U.S. soldiers in France during World War I. Another 30,000 American service members died in stateside camps. These men and women could have isolated safely in their homes. But they knew they had an important job to do. A mission to accomplish. They were all on a mission to serve.

Even when the enemy is an invisible virus or a microscopic germ, the sacrifices made are just as meaningful. The U.S. military has already lost service members to COVID-19.

This Memorial Day as we continue to honor those who fell for us in battle, let's also pause to remember those who have also sacrificed their lives while serving others.

May God bless them and may God bless you for remembering them here today.

Thank you.

THANKS

CARDS OF THANKS: Thank you to the Worth County Sheriff's Dept. and the Manly and Kensett Fire Depts. for the response to my brush fire on Saturday, May 16.

Tom Faber*

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