

NO WAY!



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Warriors knock off defending state champs

Hallie Reese Banks in Buzzer Beater for State Bid

By Greg Grabianowski

North Union's Hallie Reese looked up at the clock and knew she had to get a shot up. So the Warrior senior launched a heave from just inside the three-point line on the right wing, it banked off the glass and through the net to give the green-black-and-silver a heart-stopping 50-48 win over defending state champion Western Christian.

The Class 2A regional final took place on Wednesday, Feb. 21, two days later than originally scheduled due to weather, at Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn High School.

"I looked up at the clock, saw there was not much time left and I knew I had to get a shot off," said Reese of her game-winning shot. "I did not even look at the basket, I just threw the ball up there."

"Honestly, I saw the clock and I panicked. I was thinking I cannot lose anything. There was no chance for them to get a shot so I just shot it and prayed for the best. I did not know it went in until all my teammates swarmed around me and everyone was cheering."

Fourth-ranked Western Christian had tied the game up at 48-48 on a basket by all-stater and Nebraska recruit Ashtyn Verbeek with 1:05 to play as North Union held for the last shot and called a timeout with 13.9 seconds to play.

"That was exactly what we drew up," said North Union Coach Merle Tigges with a smile on his face. "We designed an isolation play for Sam but they took that away

and she passed out to Hallie. She took the ball up and under one of their big girls and it somehow banked in. It was unbelievable, just unbelievable."

The green-black-and-silver came out with their patented fast start as they enjoyed a 21-10 lead at the end of the first period and 32-22 at halftime with some torrid first half shooting.

North Union was 11-of 21 in the opening half for an incredible 52.3 percent, including an unbelievable 8-of-12 performance behind the three-point arc for 66.6 percent.

"Obviously, we knocked down a lot of shots in the first half," said Coach Tigges. "The second half was a different story as we hit just enough shots to fend off Verbeek's 18-point performance during the final two quarters."

Verbeek scored eight points in the third quarter as the Wolfpack sliced the lead to 37-36 before Hope Steinberger nailed a three-pointer with 37 seconds left in the frame to give North Union a 40-36 advantage into the game's final eight minutes.

Verbeek tossed in 10 more points in fourth quarter, including game-tying baskets at 42, 44 and 48 all before the green-black-and-silver punched its ticket to the state tournament with Reese's late game heroics.

"Credit North Union for their execution," said Western Christian Head Coach Justin Negen. "We defended without fouling for a whole minute. We almost had a turnover or a steal then their girl banked in a shot with two hands in her face."

"Our girls left it all on the floor tonight and that is all a coach can ask for. It is nothing to hang our heads about. We left everything on floor, came up two points short and I am super proud of the effort of my girls this evening."

Reese was the only Warrior player in double figures with 14 points in a balanced scoring attack. Kate Anderson chipped in with nine points closely followed by Samantha Hagedorn with eight and both Rory McClellan

and Steinberger came off the bench to score six.

Rounding the North Union scoring was Chloe Lofstrom with four points and Breanna Anderson added three. The green-black-and-silver were successful on 18-of-40 shots from floor in the game for 45 percent, went a sizzling 7-of-11 on three-pointers for 63.6 percent and made 3-of-7 free throws for 42.8 percent.

Western Christian connected on 18-of-42 overall field goals for 42.8 percent, hit 5-of-24 attempts behind the three-point line for 20.8 percent and sank 7-of-10 charity

shots for 70 percent as the Warriors forced 20 Wolfpack turnovers in the contest.

Lofstrom led North Union in rebounding with seven with Reese pulling in three boards as Steinberger added a pair of caroms along with one rebound each from Kate Anderson and Hagedorn.

Reese dished out four assists for the green-black-and-silver in the contest as Breanna Anderson and Lofstrom both passed out two while teammates Steinberger,

McClellan and Hagedorn all handed out one assist. Breanna Anderson and Hagedorn each came up with a pair of steals as Kate Anderson, Lofstrom and Steinberger all registered one theft with Lofstrom recording one blocked shot in the victory for the Warriors.

No. 10-ranked North Union improved to 22-2 on the year while Western Christian finished the season with an overall mark of 20-4. The Warriors will play No. 3 Panorama Wednesday in the first round of the state tournament.

If the green-black-and-silver win that contest, they will play in the semi-finals on Friday at 11:45 a.m. and the Class 2A state championship game is slated for Saturday at 5 p.m. at the Wells-Fargo Arena in Des Moines.

Western Christian (48)—Jessi DeJager 2-2 0-1 4; Olivia Granstra 1-4 0-0 3; Ashtyn Verbeek 11-18 6-7 29; Emma Bousema 2-7 0-0 6; Kailey Heemskerck 0-0 0-0 0; Abby Postma 0-6 0-0 0; Ally Postma 2-5 1-2 6. Western Christian Totals, 18-42 7-10 48. Three-point field goals, Granstra 1-3, Verbeek 1-6, Bousema 2-6, Abby Postma 0-6, Abby Postma 1-3.

North Union (50)—Kate Anderson 3-6 0-0 9; Hallie Reese 5-9 2-2 14; Chloe Lofstrom 2-8 0-0 4; Breanna Anderson 1-3 1-3 3; Samantha Hagedorn 3-7 0-2 8; Hope Steinberger 2-3 0-0 6; Rory McClellan 2-4 0-0 6. North Union Totals, 18-40 3-7 50. Three-point field goals, Kate Anderson 3-4, Reese 2-2, Hagedorn 2-3, Steinberger 2-3, McClellan 2-4. Quarter scores, North Union led 21-10, 32-22 and 40-36.

"That was exactly what we drew up... It was unbelievable, just unbelievable."
-Coach Merle Tigges

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Column One Events

Bancroft Rotary to hold meeting

The Bancroft Area Rotary Club will meet Tuesday, March 6, at the Bancroft City Hall at 12:00 noon.

50th anniversary open house for Chuck and Janice Doyle

A come and go 50th anniversary open house for Chuck and Janice Doyle will be held on Saturday, March 10 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Main Street Pub and Grill in Bancroft. The couple requests no presents. Your presence is gift enough. Cards can reach them at 1201 370th st., Bancroft, IA 50517.

Summit Center open for walking

The Summit Center is open for walking during the winter months. Hours: 6 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. - 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. If Kidstop closes early, or is closed due to weather, then the center is closed. Please bring dry, clean shoes.

Corn Hole Toss/Baggos at Summit Center

Come and enjoy corn hole toss/baggos at the Summit Center cafeteria on Sunday March 4 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. For details, please call Alex Deitering at 515-320-4844. Bring your boards and bags enjoy the fun indoors. The event is sponsored by the Bancroft Community Foundation.

Main Street Pub and Grill to hold Fish Frys

Main Street Pub and Grill in Bancroft will be holding an all you can eat fish fry each Friday during Lent, including Good Friday beginning at 5:30 p.m. They will also hold a fish fry on Ash Wednesday, February 14 starting at 5:30 p.m.

Ringsted Community Breakfast and Brunch and Silent Auction

The Ringsted Community Breakfast and Silent Auction will be held on Sunday, March 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Ringsted American Legion/Community Center. They will be serving French toast, omelets, sausage, orange juice and coffee for a free will donation. Proceeds will go towards the Quilts of Valor for Emmet County Vietnam Veterans.

Lutheran Church annual roast beef supper

The annual roast beef supper will be held on Saturday, March 3 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. with a silent auction at the Nazareth Lutheran Church 401 5th St., Armstrong. They will be serving roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, green beans, coleslaw, piece of pie, roll/butter, beverages. Take outs available. The cost is \$10.00 for 12 and up, \$6.00 for 5-11 and four and under are free.

KCGS to hold annual meeting

Kossuth County Genealogical Society will hold their annual meeting Sunday March 18, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the Algona Public Library in Room A. Guest speaker: Art Murray will present program on DNA Testing. Free and open to the public.

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Proceedings of the Kossuth County Bd. of Supervisors

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
February 13, 2018
REGULAR FEBRUARY SESSION

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment. Present were: Don McGregor, Chairman, Don Besch, Roger Tjarks and Pam Wymore. Absent: Jack Plathe

Public discussion was held followed by discussion with Secondary Road Foreman.

Motion by Wymore and 2nd by Besch to approve the agenda and the minutes of the previous meetings dated February 6, 2018 and February 12, 2018. Motion carried.

Scott Curtis was present to give the monthly report for Kossuth County Health Center.

The Board of Supervisors held the second reading of Ordinance #412B Amending the Floodplain Management Ordinance.

Motion by Tjarks and 2nd by Besch to Abate Property Taxes on Parcel #'s 750-22-11-205-003, 750-22-02-376-008, 750-22-02-407-005 & 751-22-02-176-004 Per Court Order. Motion carried.

Motion by Besch and 2nd by Tjarks to approve the liquor license for Abate of Iowa, Inc. Motion carried.

Jeffrey Vaske earns Doctorate



In a convocation ceremony held on December 9th, 2017 in St. Louis, Jeffrey Vaske graduated from Maryville University earning his Doctorate (Ed.D.) in Higher Education Leadership. Jeffrey's doctoral research focused on student-loan debt literacy and the title of his dissertation was, "Understanding Student-Loan Debt: An Exploratory Analysis of the Financial Literacy of College Students." Joining him for the ceremony was Jeffrey's wife, Jeannine, and their two children, Mason and Madison. Also present for the ceremony were Jeffrey's parents, Brian and Judy Vaske of Bancroft; his brother, PJ Vaske of Dakota Dunes, South Dakota; his grandmother, Ann Degen of Bancroft; and his godmother, Diane (Ratigan) Harrison, and her husband, Chris, of Omaha. Several of Jeffrey's in-laws were also in attendance.

Jeffrey is a 2002 graduate of Bishop Garrigan High School. In

2007, he graduated from Grand View University with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and a Bachelor of Arts in History. As an undergraduate, he also participated in the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program, and was recognized as a Distinguished Military Graduate. Following graduation, he served as an officer in the United States Army Medical Department for eight years, both on active duty and in the Reserve. In 2011, Jeffrey wrote and published a book on academic success: A Student's Guide to Acing College: Tips, Tools, and Strategies for Academic Success (iUniverse, Inc.). In 2013, he graduated from American Public University earning a Master of Arts in American History.

Jeffrey recently accepted a position at Iowa State University as the Assistant Director of the Veterans Center and will be relocating to Iowa in the coming weeks.

Bancroft Teen Transported

Following One Vehicle Accident

According to KLGTA, a Bancroft teen had to be transported to Kossuth Regional Health Center following a 1-vehicle accident Tuesday morning.

According to the Kossuth County Sheriff's Department, 18-year-old Andrew Schiltz was westbound on County Road A42 around 11AM Tuesday when he lost control of the 2000 Chevy Blazer he was driving and entered the south ditch. The accident report states the roadway was covered with ice at the time of the incident.

When the blazer entered the ditch, it rolled over causing serious damage to the vehicle.

Schiltz was taken to KRHC by the Bancroft EMS with what were suspected to be serious injuries. Bancroft Police, Algona EMS and Kossuth County Emergency Management all assisted with the incident.

Damage to the Schiltz Blazer was estimated at \$6,000. The vehicle was considered a total loss.

Fenton Forwards hold meeting

Fenton Forwards met on Sunday, February 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fenton Methodist Church with the Fenton Progressors for their annual Mystery Meal. The leaders along with Paizlee Riche and Allison Denker served the members of both clubs a four course meal.

Following the meal, each club held a short business meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Hailey Hieb and roll call was to name an event you like to watch during the Olympics. Business included the club donations for the year to the Fenton Library, Methodist Church, and both the Fenton and Lone Rock Community Club.

A presentation was given by Meredith Tigges on Kaden's Kloset, the service project the club will be supporting and making totes for at their March 28th meeting at the Quilted Steeple.

Members will be staying over night at the retreat, making the tote bags and jewelry as well as supper, breakfast, and snacks.

The 4-H Pledge was led by Jenessa Ehman to close the meeting.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Ordinance #412B
On February 20, 2018, the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors passed the following amendment, after considering and voting on said amendment for passage at two meetings of the board prior to the meeting at which is finally passed, pursuant to Iowa Code Section 331.302:

KOSSUTH COUNTY FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Amend Section III (K) subsection Structures by deleting the section in its entirety and replacing it with the following in lieu thereof:

Accessory Structures to Residential Uses

1. Detached garages, sheds, and similar structures that are incidental to a residential use are exempt from the base flood elevation requirements where the following criteria are satisfied.

A. The structure shall be designed to have low flood damage potential. Its size shall not exceed 600 sq. ft. in size. Those portions of the structure located less than 1 foot above the BFE must be constructed of flood-resistant materials.

B. The structure shall be used solely for low flood damage potential purposes such as vehicle parking and limited storage. The structure shall not be used for human habitation.

C. The structure shall be constructed and placed on the building site so as to offer minimum resistance to the flow of floodwaters.

D. The structure shall be firmly anchored to resist flotation, collapse and lateral movement.

E. The structure's service facilities such as electrical and heating equipment shall be elevated or floodproofed to at least one foot above the base flood elevation.

2. The structure's walls shall include openings that satisfy the provisions of Section III (D) 1 of this Ordinance.

/s/Amber Garman
Kossuth County Auditor
(Published February 28, 2018)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILL VACANCY BY APPOINTMENT
To the Electors of the City of Swea City, Iowa:

You are hereby notified that the City Council of the City of Swea City, Iowa, has received notice of the resignation of the council seat currently held by Jill Bollinger. The office of this council seat which expires December 31, 2019, will be vacant as of April 30, 2018, pursuant to Section 69.2, Code of Iowa.

You are further notified that the Council has elected to fill the vacancy by appointment, but the electors of the City have the right to file a petition requiring that the vacancy be filled by a special election.

The appointment shall be for the period until the next pending election, as defined by Section 69.12, Code of Iowa.

The Council will make the appointment to fill the vacancy at its regular meeting March 21, 2018 and the appointment will become effective May 1, 2018.

Persons wanting to be considered should submit a request in writing to the City Clerk as soon as possible by 4:00 p.m. on March 19, 2018.
Alycia Wolterman, City Clerk
308 4th Ave W
Swea City, IA 50590
(Published February 28, 2018)



Anna Ingalls, pictured in the center, will be playing Sandy in the Iowa Central's production of Grease.

Anna Ingalls to make acting debut at Iowa Central Community College

By Kim Meyer
Staff writer

Everyone knows the famous Pink Ladies and the lead role of Sandy in the movie "Grease". Now for the second time in 20 years, Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge will be presenting the musical with the lead female role being played by Anna Ingalls.

Ingalls, a 2017 graduate of North Union High School, is no stranger to the stage. She participated in plays and musicals during her high school career but this is her first major lead role.

"Sandy is such a well known and loved character. It's fun to portray her and how she changes throughout the musical," Ingalls stated.

"I'm so glad I was able to have this opportunity to take part in such a fun and iconic musical!" she added.

ICCC musical director Teresa Jackson commented, "This show is a memory marker for many people. I can remember seeing it for the first time at a drive-in movie theatre, and I think the fact that it heartens back to such a simple time is what makes it resonate with audiences. I hear the music of Grease and I think of summertime, of young love, of friendships and connections. We always, of course, select a musical that plays to the strength of our students—and we've done some powerhouse shows in the

past several years, but the last dance-driven show we did was probably four years ago—coincidentally also featuring music from the 50s, All Shook Up."

She added, "Here's the thing about Grease—it is, quite simply, FUN! The dancing is energizing; the tunes are infectious; the characters are iconic. Also, since the story line is familiar to so many people, it's an easier story to tell. Our challenge, then, becomes putting a fresh look on a show that everyone knows, especially when the stage version differs in several instances from the movie—and even from the Grease Live production which premiered on television a few years ago. That is the creative challenge, but we work really hard to put a professional polish on all that we do. The students love our high expectations of them—and they meet our standards year after year after year.

This is the only show of the year that combines all facets of our Performing Arts—vocal music, instrumental music, dance and theatre. We have a number of athletes who have joined the cast as well, so we have an amazing blend of the Iowa Central campus represented. I love watching the friendships form—and many of them remain lifelong connections."

Their challenge was also finding ways to showcase every student onstage somehow—and they have

over 60 of them, several of whom are experiencing live theatre performance for the first time.

"But—that's always been our mission. We want to give as many students as we can the opportunity to experience the magic that is the Iowa Central stage. They are incredible young people—it is the greatest joy working with a group of committed, excited students, and the thrill never grows dim."

Jackson went on to say, "We also are so blessed to be in a community that values and supports the Arts—I think Fort Dodge is a rare gem in all the talent we have to showcase, and Iowa Central is just one piece of that puzzle. We appreciate the incredible support and hope audiences flock to see these amazingly talented students!"

Iowa Central School of Performing Arts will be presenting Grease on March 1-3 at 7:00 p.m. in Decker Auditorium, 1 Triton Circle, Fort Dodge. Tickets for the musical are \$10 and students with a ICCC student ID can attend for free. Tickets can be purchased at the door or by calling 515-574-1081.

Anna, who is the daughter of Art and Jackie Ingalls of Bancroft, is a freshman at ICCC majoring in Music Education.



Cast List for Grease

Rydell Students and Staff:
The Burger Palace Boys:
Danny Zuko: Jonathon Schaffer
Kenickie: Dan Mindermann
Sonny LaTierri: Calvin Clark
Roger: Nathaniel Devick
Doody: Nathan Bentz
Additional BP Boy: Jamison Gibson

The Pink Ladies:
Jan: Tiffany Thompson
Marty: Andrea Rosendahl
Betty Rizzo: Zoey Niles
Frenchie: Andrea Niles
Sandy Dumbrowski: Anna Ingalls

The Cheerleaders:
Patty Simcox
Hannah Amhof
Peyton Sickler
Kearle Jones
Thutam Nguyen
Shalynn Hanson
Leah Lierman
Dillon Lumsden

The Nerds:
Eugene Florczyk
Nick Nordstrom, Eugene's Sidekick:
Max Halligan

Girl Nerds
Mariah Smith
Jordan Ludwig

The Greasers:
Johnny Casino: Zeke Ledbetter
Gambler:
Hunter Johnson
Brett Bachtle
Todd Hamilton
Daulton Rokes
Rawly Grandfield
Rachel Christian
Robert Nelson
Kaytlynn Murphy

The Jocks:
Dane Hanson
Brenden Hansen
Taylor Holston
Kendrick Jones
Janelle Page

The Student Council:
Grace Litwiller
Katie Gannon
Mackenzie Schwenke
Elizabeth Jones
Grace Nordquist
Jordyn DuBois

The Teachers:
Miss Lynch: Genevieve Sherman
Miss Monitor: Victoria Sims
Coach: Mitchell Smith
Art Teacher: Jenna Rezavek
Automotive Teacher: Tomas Martinez

Characters outside halls of Rydell High:
The DJ: Vince Fontaine: Michael Coates

The Supernatural:
The St. Bernadette Babes:
Cha-Cha DiGregorio: Kiley Gunderson
Kylara Steffen
Shantell Rasty

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Proceedings of NK School Board

Regular Board Meeting
Conference Room
Swea City, Iowa
5:30 PM
February 22, 2018
(All votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted)

The North Kossuth School Board met in regular session on Thursday, February 22, 2018, in the Conference Room, Swea City, Iowa at 5:30 PM. Meeting was called to order by Board President Chris Hardt. Roll Call was answered by Hardt, Albers, Hagedorn, Bauer, and Wolterman. Absent were Johnson and Morphew. Also present was Supt. Travis Schueller, Principal Julie Runksmeier, SBO Erin Rogers, Board Secretary Jennie Larsen, Maintenance Director Chris Stevens, and member of media. Motion by Wolterman, seconded by Albers was made to approve the Board Agenda. Motion carried.

Announcements & Communications: None
Reports: Julie Runksmeier reported on Elementary /Middle School Activities, Chris Stevens reported on maintenance topics, and Travis Schueller reported on District Activities.

Consent Agenda: Approval of Minutes, Approval of Financial Reports, Approval of Bills & Claims, and Open Enrollments. Motion by Albers, seconded by Wolterman was

made to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on voter approved PPEL.

Action Items: Motion by Wolterman, seconded by Hagedorn was made to approve board policy 700 series. Motion carried.

Motion by Wolterman, seconded by Albers was made to approve board policy 800 series. Motion carried.

Motion by Bauer, seconded by Wolterman was made to approve the bid for sanding, painting, and waxing the gym floor from Integrity Hardwood Floors. Motion carried.

Motion by Wolterman, seconded by Albers was made to approve the resignation of Sue Feld at the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Wolterman, seconded by Hagedorn was made to set the 2018-19 Budget Hearing for March 19th at 5:30 PM in the Swea City Board Room. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion by Wolterman, seconded by Albers was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 PM. Motion carried.

Next regular scheduled North Kossuth Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 19th following the Budget Hearing at 5:30 PM.

Board President, Chris Hardt
Board Secretary, Jennie Larsen

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Swea City Council approves radio purchase

By Michael Tidemann

The Swea City Council on Wednesday, Feb. 21 approved the purchase of an ambulance radio. Phil Albers, director of ambulance services, said \$5,000 for the radio would be covered with a grant. With the antenna and installation, the total would be about \$6,000, with the city picking up the difference. In another matter, Albers said it was time to review ambulance billing rates for 2018. He said Medicare and Blue Cross assignments are accepted and billed at the same rate. He said though that non-transport calls – those in which crews respond to a call without taking a person to the hospital – may have different rates. He said he would speak with Main Street Manor about billing arrangements.

In other business:

• Travis Stevens, streets, water and sewer superintendent, said the city water softener will be shut down one to two weeks for maintenance. That will take place in the near future once the salt level in the tank is low so the city doesn't waste the salt that is currently in the tank.

• Kelly Evans of I&S Engineering appeared before the council regarding problems caused by a power surge at the city water plant. Evans said he would have repair bills sent to the city then forwarded to Alliant.

• The council delayed approval of acceptance of work and final payments for the water project after issues with the project have been resolved.

• Liquor licenses were approved for Loofts on 9 and Liquor Here Liquor There.

• The council set a budget hearing for 5:30 p.m. March 7.

• The council agreed to meet with an insurance cooperative representative from Waterloo to determine if lower city employee insurance premiums might be available.

• No action was taken on a change sheet and amendment to section 4 of the employee handbook.

• The council approved purchase of a 2018 Ford extended cab pickup for \$32,500 from Pritchards. Barry Boland said it would take 12 weeks for delivery.

• The council discussed a possible location for a band during the Quasqui celebration. Mayor Zielske suggested that deciding on a location not be left

to the council and that the Quasqui committee come up with a specific location for council approval and the council agreed.

• The council discussed possible repairs for a leak at city hall.

• The council approved a memorial bench in Memorial Gardens in memory of Loretta Walker. Walker's family will pay for the bench and Councilman Cal Wolterman said money from ATV license set aside for community beautification could be used for landscaping around the bench.

• No nuisance abatements were discussed.

• Mayor Zielske said she had asked city employees to develop and implement a vehicle maintenance checklist.

• Council Member Jill Bollinger will be resigning from the council. She will remain on the council until April 30 or May 31 if her position hasn't been filled on the council by the end of April. "I have enjoyed working with each of you and look forward to seeing what the city accomplishes with your guidance," Bollinger said in her resignation submitted at the meeting.

Janzen's Greenhouse Upgrades Shade-house

By: Clint Davis

Janzen's Greenhouse in Fairmont, Minnesota has been very busy this winter. Jon and LaNette Janzen and their crew are renovating the shade-house by making the aisle width wider and also adding height to the middle two benches. Jon's parents, Odette and Harlan, bought the greenhouse around Christmas of 1952. The aisle were 16 inches wide, which left employees shimmying down the aisles. A little while later Harlan and Odette changed the aisle width from 16 to 18 inches. Through the years, Janzen's has left the width of the aisles alone, until now.

Jon and LaNette have decided to test one of their shade-house renovations for this year and if successful, more renovations could happen in the near future.

They are adding 8 inches to the width of the main aisle, making it 26 inches wide. Aisle width is not the only change the shade-house will see. Jon and LaNette have decided to make the two middle benches taller, making it easier for customers to find and purchase plants. They are covering the benches with three layers of plastic to ensure that the bench is smooth for the plants to sit on. By doing that, it has added 4-6 inches of height.

In addition to the middle aisle and the height of the table, the side aisle's will gain 4 inches making them 22 inches wide. "Our main reason for doing these projects is for the customers. So far, everyone is loving the taller benches, especially the tall employees!" LaNette Janzen said in a Facebook message to the Journal.



This photo shows the height difference from the old bench (left) and the newly installed bench (right).

All five Warriors starters named all-conference

By Greg Grabianowski

All five starters for the 2018 Top of Iowa Conference champions and Class 2A state qualifiers North Union Warrior girls' basketball team were named to the all-conference squads by a vote of the league coaches recently and Head Coach Merle Tigges was chosen as the conference's coach of the year.



Head Coach Merle Tigges

Sophomore Chloe Lofstrom and senior Samantha Hagedorn were selected to the first team while senior teammates Hallie Reese and Kate Anderson were named to the second unit and senior point guard Breanna Anderson was chosen to the honorable mention list.



Lofstrom led North Union in scoring heading into the state tournament with 390 points in 23 games played in for a scoring average of 16.95 points per contest.

She connected on 145-of-239 overall field goals for a team-leading 60.7 percent, missed her only two three-pointers and made 100-of-152 charity shots for 65.8 percent. The sophomore dished down a team-best 206 caroms for an average of 8.95 caroms per game. Chloe dished out 21 assists, came up with 20 steals and blocked 10 shots.



Samantha Hagedorn was the second leading scorer with 343 points for an average of 14.91 points per outing. She hit 141-of-333 shots from the floor for 42.3 percent, went 42-of-112 behind the three-point arc for 37.5 percent and sank 19-of-39 foul shots for 48.7 percent.

The senior guard led the green-black-and-silver in both assists with 108 and steals with 66. Sam also pulled down 91 rebounds and rejected five shots this winter.



Breanna Anderson scored 172 points in 23 games for an average of 7.47 points per contest. She was successful on 52-of-135 shots from the floor for 38.5 percent, hit 11-of-47 attempts behind the three-point arc for 23.4 percent and made 57-of-80 foul shots for 71.3 percent.

The senior point guard was second on the North Union squad in both assists with 73 and steals with 51, hauled in 97 rebounds and blocked one shot for the team.

Top of Iowa Western Division Girls' All-Conference Teams

Player of the Year	West Hancock
First Team	
Hannah Anderson, Forest City	12
Jenna Boelter, Bishop Garrigan	12
Brea Dillavou, Forest City	12
Sam Hagedorn, North Union	12
Kelsey Koch, West Hancock	12
Rachel Leerar, West Hancock	9
Chloe Lofstrom, North Union	10

Coach of the Year—Merle Tigges, North Union

Second Team	
Kate Anderson, North Union	12
Amanda Chizek, West Hancock	10
Jillian Heitland	
Garner-Hayfield/Ventura	12
Laura Knudtson, Lake Mills	12
Kelsey Koch, Forest City	12
Kaylyn Meyers, Bishop Garrigan	9
Hallie Reese, North Union	12

Honorable Mention	
Katelin Adams, North Iowa	11
Breanna Anderson, North Union	12
Hailey Beminio, Belmont-Klemme	10
Madison Eisenman, West Hancock	10
Becca Evans, Lake Mills	12
Jayden Frank	
Garner-Hayfield/Ventura	9
Grace McGuire, Bishop Garrigan	12
Becca Seglem, Forest City	12
Natalie Vrba, Eagle Grove	11

Final Standings	Overall	Conf
North Union	22-2	15-1
West Hancock	21-3	15-1
Forest City	18-5	13-3
Bishop Garrigan	17-7	10-6
Garner-Hayfield/Ventura	9-14	7-9
Lake Mills	8-13	7-9
North Iowa	6-17	3-13
Eagle Grove	5-17	3-13
Belmont-Klemme	2-19	0-16



Kate Anderson tossed in 165 points in 23 games for a scoring average of 7.17 points per outing. She converted 57-of-132 overall field goals for 43.2, went 37-of-70 on three-pointers for a team-high 52.9 percent and sank 14-of-28 charity shots for 50 percent. The senior grabbed 76 rebounds for the Warriors while passing out 72 assists; registered 32 steals and recorded one blocked shot.

Samantha Hagedorn to play at Iowa Lakes

Iowa Lakes Community College Head Women's Basketball Coach Ashley Martin announced the signing of Samantha Hagedorn, 5'7" Guard from Bancroft, Ia.

"We want to welcome Samantha Hagedorn and her family to our Iowa Lakes women's basketball family. We are thrilled to get a local kid and are eager to add her to our team. Sam will stretch the defense with her ability to knock down shots. Sam's work ethic and passion for the game will be a great addition to our women's basketball program as well as our campus," said Coach Martin.

Samantha will graduate in May from North Union High School in Iowa. During her basketball career she was named 1st Team All-Conference Top of Iowa West twice, 1st Team All-

Area (Algona Newspaper) twice, and 1st Team All-Area (Fairmont Sentinel) twice. Samantha recorded over 1000 points and 300 assists in her career. During her senior year, Samantha has helped her team become Regional Champions by defeating Western Christian earning a trip to the state tournament.

Hagedorn's High School Coach, Merle Tigges' had this to say about Samantha. "Sam was a big part of our team for four years and a big part of the success this program has achieved. We are happy to see her move on to play college basketball at Iowa Lakes and wish her much success on the court and in the classroom."

Samantha had this to say about her opportunity to be a part of the Iowa Lakes Community. "I chose Iowa

Lakes because it is close to home. I also chose Iowa Lakes because of how affordable it is; and how I will get two more years to mature, grow as a person and see where my academics take me. Both of my parents are Iowa Lakes Alumni and I felt very welcomed into the Laker community. I'm super excited to become a Laker and see all the things that we can accomplish. Lastly, I chose Iowa Lakes because of the coaching staff. Coach Martin was my AAU Rise basketball coach last summer and I really connected with her. I like being told things straight up and I always have felt that she will tell you how she feels, whether you want to hear it or not. She has helped me with a lot of things and I'm glad she wants to continue coaching me during my time at Iowa Lakes."

Quasquicentennial - 125 years of growth



Pictured is the Swea City FFA Chapter. Their instructor is Clifford Van Berkum. The group of boys completed their annual observance of National FFA Week last week.

Each week, this publication will share stories and pictures of that growth as we prepare for our quasquicentennial celebration - 125 years of growth. If you have photos or information that you would like to share with this column, please email it bancroftregister@yahoo.com or contact Kim or Julie at 515-885-2531. If you would like to help volunteer your time at Quasquicentennial activities, please contact Marlu Brekke at 612-308-6624. The committee welcomes everyone.

Sunday Senior Fellowship to be held

Guest Speaker at the Sunday Senior Fellowship meeting at the Algona First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, March 11, will be Rev. Loren Shellabarger, Senior Pastor of the Algona First Presbyterian Church, who recently participated in a mission trip to Beaumont, Texas.

The meeting will begin at 3:00 pm in the Fireside Room of the church which is located at 101 North Main Street in Algona.

Rev. Shellabarger, along with 35 other men and women representing the North Central Iowa Presbytery, spent the week helping to repair

houses that had been damaged in the severe storm of Hurricane Harvey that devastated the area last year. During the presentation he will be sharing his observations and photographs of his experience.

"Because the storm and destruction are no longer in the news, we tend to forget that people are still recovering from the effects of the storm and attempting to reestablish normalcy to their lives," said Pastor Walter Reemtsma, Senior Outreach Pastor for the church. "This informative program will again remind us of those who are still hurting and in need."

"You don't have to be a senior citizen to attend this program," emphasized Pastor Reemtsma. Sunday Senior Fellowship is an outreach ministry of the church primarily for senior citizens in Algona and the area but this topic is geared for everyone and all are invited to attend.

Following the presentation, supper will be served in the church's Fellowship Hall. An opportunity to help defray expenses of the meal will be provided.

For more information call the Algona First Presbyterian Church office at 515-295-2226.

Clark's Corner

"It's a Small World" is a lot more than a theme song written by the Sherman Brothers in the wake of the Cuban Missile crisis or a Disney Park ride. It's sort of a theme song for some of us as we age and meet folks in our everyday lives. As most readers of my column know, we are in Fort Myer, Florida and enjoying some of the warm weather and some baseball while we are here. The other added bonus is we get to meet people from other parts of the country. The other thing I think readers recall is that I am working in guest service at Hammond Stadium, spring home of the Minnesota Twins. This rather long explanation leads me to my theme of the week which is it's a very small world after all.

You can meet all kinds of people in unique ways while you are traveling or wintering in Florida. Last Sunday I was headed to the second home game of the Twins in my pickup truck and had to park in the employee parking lot. When I parked the truck the gentleman who was assisting noticed the Bob Boland Ford sticker on the back of my truck and commented, "I know where Bancroft, Iowa is. They play a lot of baseball there." He lived in Northwest Iowa before retiring to Florida.

After I checked in for work, one of my co-workers noticed my name tag and asked, "Where do you live." I told him and he said he grew up in Worthington. He wondered if I knew Denny Ling who he graduated with from high school. I said the company he worked for rented office space from us and we took call for them. We were both a little surprised.

I then took my position as an usher in section 114 and the usher in the section next to me came over to introduce himself. He said he was from St. Peter, MN, and spent part of the winter here and enjoyed the work. I asked him if he knew George Witty, the retired sheriff of Nicollet County and his wife, Marilyn. Sure he did. He worked as a parole agent there and knew them very well. I told him that I had coffee with George frequently when I worked at the newspaper there and Marilyn worked at the newspaper selling advertising. Another surprise "small world" meeting.

Ralph, a retired superintendent from Waseca, MN, was working as an usher in the section on the other side of me. I asked him if he knew Wendy Johnson from Waseca and he said he did and she was in school when he was there. He also knew her dad, Mike, who ran the newspaper in Wells. Wendy was my daughter-in-law's roommate in college and my son was best man in Wendy and Mike's wedding that was held in Waseca. Another surprise "small world" connection.

Fans started arriving at the stadium and I greeted them and helped them find their seats. Because of the name badge, folks call you by your first name, which helps create a friendly environment. The city and state is also on the badge which helps people know where you live. This also helps create a friendly guest environment which is what everyone wants. A couple walked near my section and noticed my badge and the gentleman said, "We are from Pipestone." That prompted a conversation as well and we shared names of common acquaintances. The guests kept arriving and I kept greeting them and frequently we could make some sort of connection with them and swap names or places we had in common.

I think this "small world" thing is wonderful and keeps us all smiling and surprised at times. Could it be my grey hair and my age that makes this more common every day? I think so, but I am enjoying it. Hope to see you at the ballpark here sometime and be sure to look at the name tags. You never know who you will meet. Until next time.

Bancroft Little League Sign up is March 8

Boys and girls in grades first through sixth, along with their parents are invited to come to sign up night for the Bancroft Little League program at Main Street Pub & Grill on Thursday, March 8th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. to Parents and players who attend and sign up will be able to enjoy a pizza buffet at a discounted price! Questions can be directed to the City of Bancroft at 515-885-2382.

Bancroft Local Happenings

Bailee Kajewski, daughter of Samantha Eldridge and Brent Kajewski of Bancroft, celebrated her 3rd birthday on Sunday, February 25 at the Pizza Ranch in Algona. Attending from Bancroft were Bailee's grandparents Debbie and Kevin Kajewski and great grandma Julie Droessler. Samantha's mother and grandmother from Emmetsburg were also there to help Bailee celebrate. Other aunts, uncles, cousins and lots of friends were there to celebrate to make Bailee's birthday happy and fun!

Dianne Schiltz, Cindy Hilsabeck and Cathy Bernhard went to Fairfax, MN on Saturday, February 17th where they attended Confirmation Mass for Ryan, son of Dan and Linda Lavrenz. Dianne was Ryan's sponsor.

Wednesday, February 21st brought a surprise visitor, Loretta Sanders McCain from Moody, Alabama, to the home of Jan and Sonny Wolf. Jan is her aunt on her dad's side. Lauri Pitkin and Angie Blair joined Jan, Sonny and Loretta for an evening meal out and lots of laughs.

Dianne Schiltz and Jim and Cathy Bernhard of Lake Mills spent the weekend in Sioux Falls, SD at the home of Todd and Trina Buffington and daughters Elize and Brooke. They also visited with Chuck Schiltz and Bill Schiltz and Madison and Gaven.

Elderly And Disabled, Property Tax Credit Applications For Property Tax Credits are now being accepted

Nicholas P. Rahm, Kossuth County Treasurer would like to notify those eligible that Elderly And Disabled, Property Tax Credit Applications For Property Tax Credits will be taken at the following locations:

Algona - Courthouse: The months of February through April during normal work hours 8:00 am - 4:00 pm at the Treasurer's Office.

Bancroft - Farmers & Traders Savings Bank: Tuesday, March 6, 2018 from 9:00 am - noon, Call Eileen at 515-885-2341 for appointment.

Titonka - Titonka Savings Bank, Thursday, March 8, 2018 from 9:00 am - noon.

Iowa residents are eligible to file a claim if the total household income is less than \$22,855.00 and, one of the following applies:

- (1) 65 years of age or older by December 31, 2017 or
- (2) Totally disabled and 18 years of age or older by December 31, 2017.

Totally disabled means the inability to engage in gainful employment because of a major physical or mental impairment that has lasted 12 months. You must furnish proof of disability.

A claim for property tax credit may be filed on behalf of a deceased person by such person's spouse, attorney, guardian or administrator.

When applying, please furnish your Social Security number, your 2017 Social Security income form, your SSA-1099 benefits statement, and all other 2017 income.

If you were required to file State and Federal Income Tax Returns, please bring those forms with you.

Questions can be directed to the Kossuth County Treasurer at 515-295-3404.

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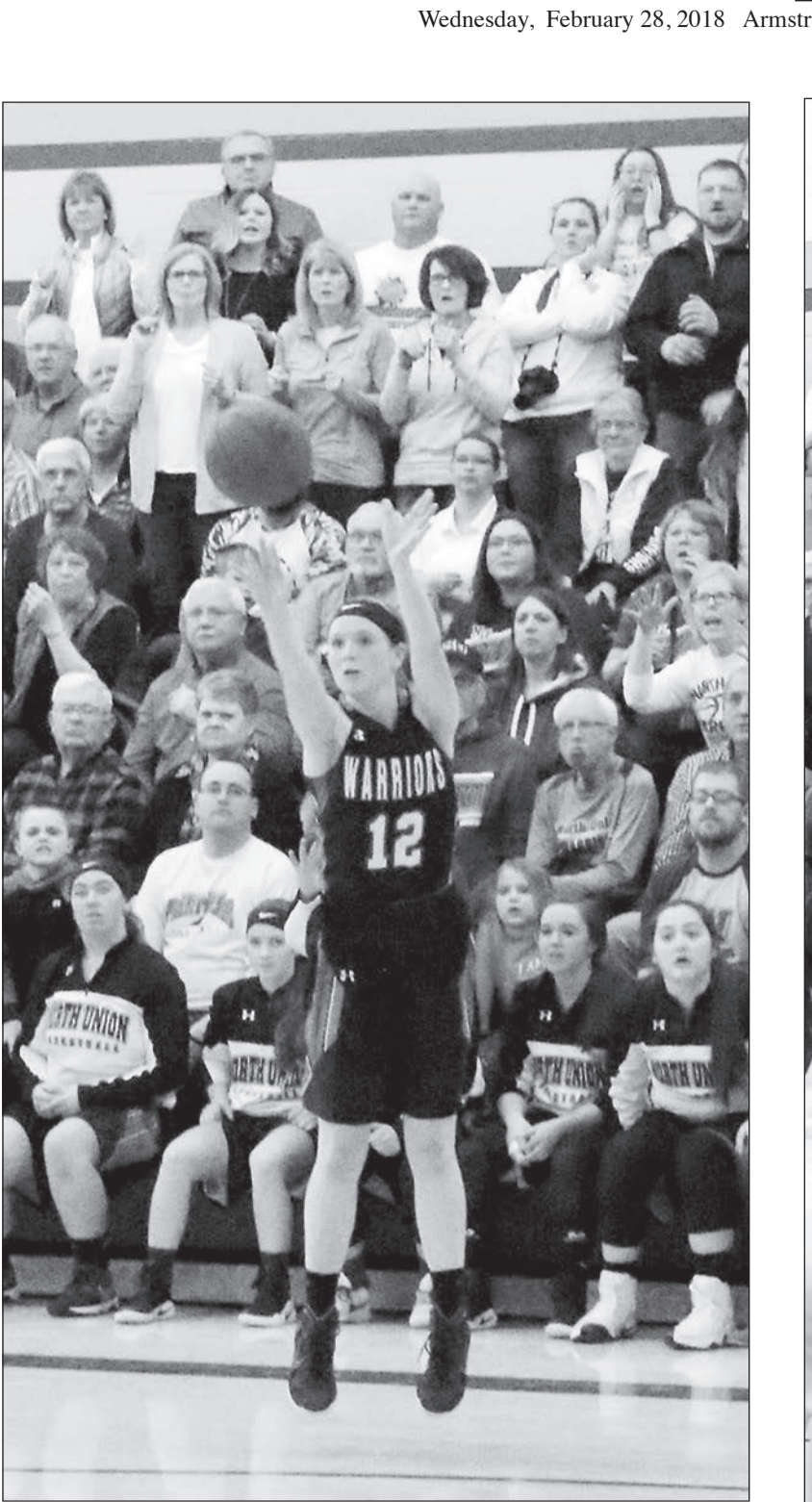
Breanna Anderson #23, Kate Anderson #12 and Hallie Reese #21 watch Western Christian's #32 to see if she will shoot or pass the basketball.



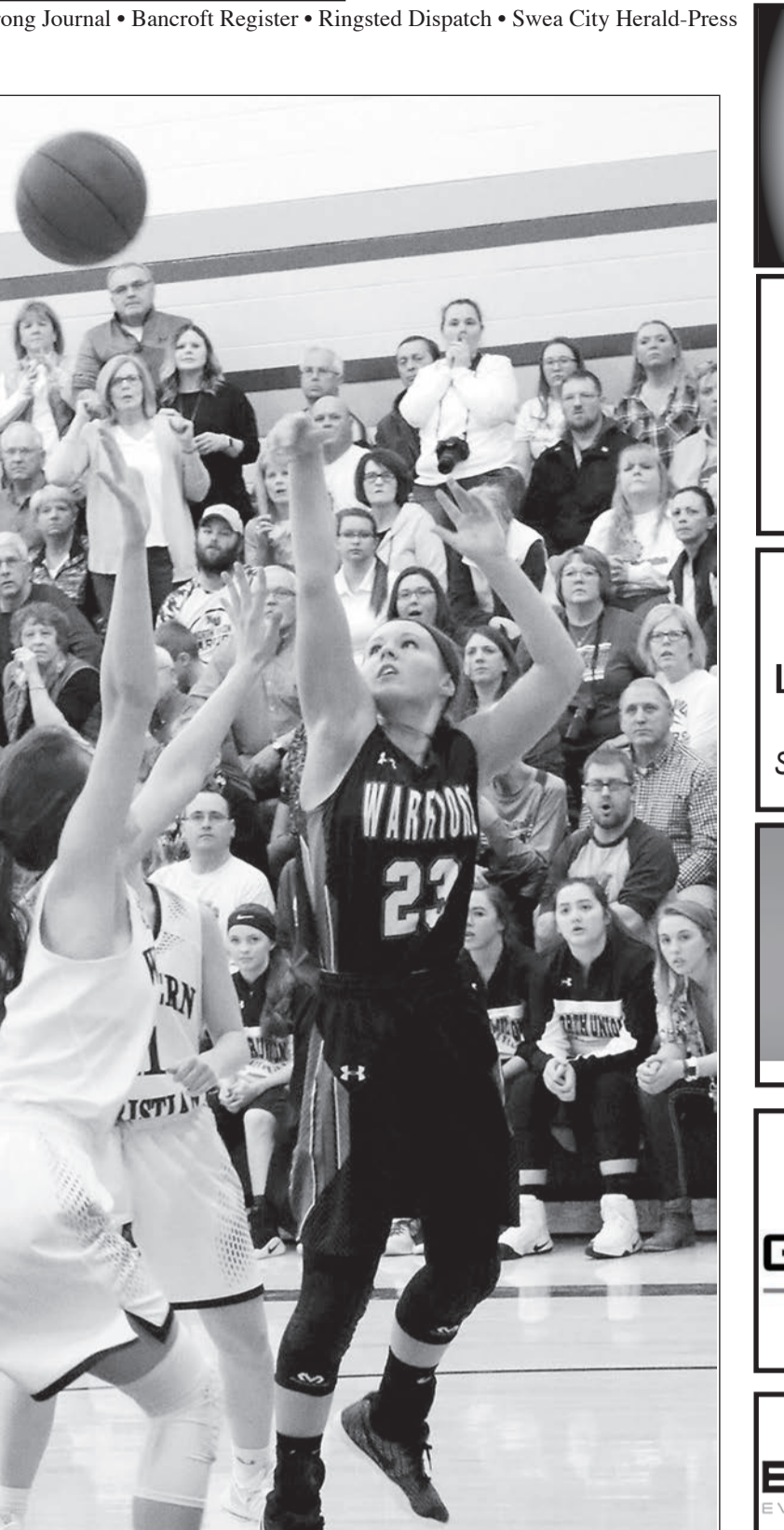
Hallie Reese dribbles the ball toward the basket beating her Western Christian defender allowing Reese to score.



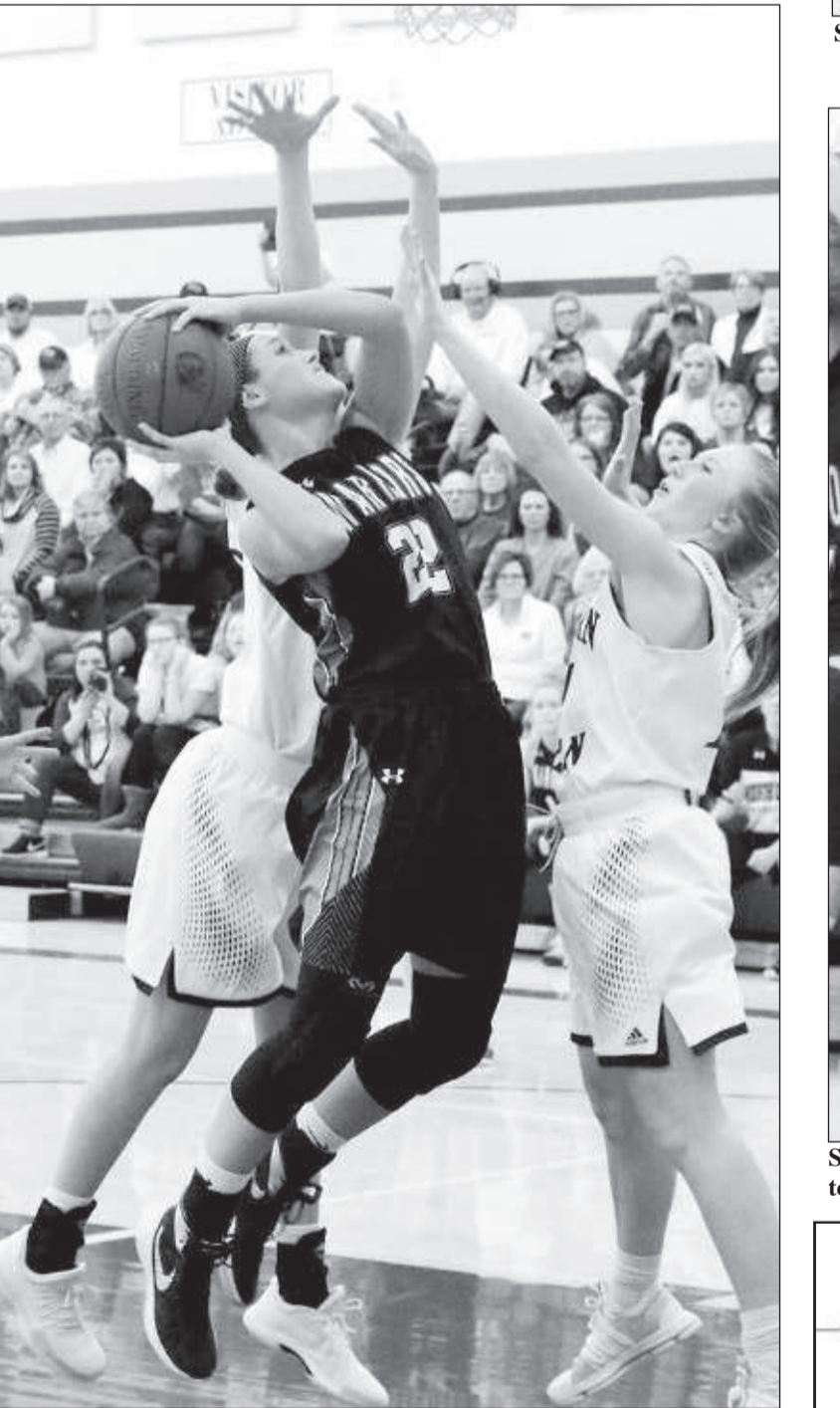
Seniors Skyler Morphew, Breanna Anderson, Hallie Reese, Samantha Hagedorn, Kate Anderson and Chelsey Glatz.



Kate Anderson took advantage of being left wide open by Western Christian to shoot a three point shot.



Shooting over the Western Christian defender was Breanna Anderson.



Chloe Lofstrom goes up strong to score while being guarded by two Western Christian defenders.



Rory McClellan sinks a three pointer during the first half of the game.



The North Union High School team proudly display the 2018 Girls Basketball State Qualifier banner!



Head coach Merle Tigges' face says it all as he goes to hug senior Breanna Anderson.



Driving the ball to the basket was Hope Steinberger.



Samantha Hagedorn keeps the basketball away from the Western Christian defender.

CLASS 2A TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS

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#1 Treynor (22-1)	Quarterfinal - 6:45 p.m. Tues., Feb. 27
#8 West Sioux (21-3)	Quarterfinal - 8:30 p.m. Tues., Feb. 27
#4 Iowa City Regina (21-4)	Quarterfinal - 8:30 p.m. Tues., Feb. 27
#5 Grundy Center (22-1)	Quarterfinal - 10:00 a.m., Wed., Feb. 28
#3 Cascade (22-3)	Quarterfinal - 10:00 a.m., Wed., Feb. 28
#6 Dike-New Hartford (23-2)	Quarterfinal - 11:45 a.m., Wed., Feb. 28
#2 Panorama (23-1)	Quarterfinal - 11:45 a.m., Wed., Feb. 28
#7 North Union (20-2)	Quarterfinal - 11:45 a.m., Wed., Feb. 28

Semifinal - 10:00 a.m., Fri., March 2

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The Warrior Weekly

North Union High School

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SPOTLIGHT ON GRADUATES



Haeley Lynden Sandvig

The world became a much better place on October, 13, 1999. I'm talking about what took place at Kossuth Regional Health Center in Algona, Iowa. Haeley Lynden Sandvig popped excitedly into the world. Her proud parents are Alycia and Cal Waterman and James Sandvig and Angela Gulbrandson.

This fabulous student has been in a multitude of life changing courses this year, Econ/ Government, Physics, Technical Writing/Publications, Public Speaking, Human Relation, and her all time favorite class is English.

She's made her way through school doing Basketball Stats, Football Stats, Warrior Women, Spirit Squad and Supporting Players.

Haeley's future plans are to attend Iowa Lakes for 2 years for an RN then transfer to SDSU to continue her nursing career.

She has many wonderful memories of school especially the ones involving sport stats. Her favorite school memory is storming the court after beating Western Christian for state basketball and hugging Sam and Hallie.

Haeley will miss her friends, teachers, and walking the halls with Sarah. One memory she won't miss hearing is when she fell off the lifeguard stand.

As she heads off to college she wants the underclassmen to know that getting involved is a good thing, don't be afraid.

A wonderful day for Haeley would be getting Chinese and watch her favorite show *Riverdale*. She may also watch her favorite movie *Endless Love*. Afterward she might grab her phone and send a few Snapchats and then listen to her favorite song "Independent Girl" by Jason Derulo. Her favorite color happens to be blue.

Haeley would like to leave us her favorite quote. "An apple a day keeps the idiots away, if you throw it hard enough." We know she's just kidding-Best of luck to you Haeley.



Emina Maybelle Martinez

Emina Maybelle Martinez was born on November 5, 1998, in St. James, Minnesota, to Melissa and Robert Hamsmith. Her siblings are Kacey, Angel, and Harmoni. During high school Emina has been involved in Volleyball, Basketball, and Track.

Emina's current classes are American Government, English, Adv. Art 2, Culinary Management, Resource, Business Math, and Job Skills.

Emina's best high school memory is seeing all of her friends and seeing all the happy teachers. Her favorite song is Pump it by the Black Eyed Peas.

At the top of her bucket list is to go to college to become a chef, so naturally her dream job is to be a chef. Emina plans to go to college after high school to pursue her dream.

Emina will miss getting to know the teachers and her friends after high school. Emina's most embarrassing high school moment is running into a locker in front of people.

Emina wishes she would have known to tell teachers about the bullying freshman year.

Emina's favorite form of social media is Facebook and she uses it three times a day.

Emina's biggest fears are stage fright, needles, and spiders. Emina's favorite food is pizza. Her favorite color is pink.

Emina's favorite teacher is Mr. Fisher. Her favorite TV show is *iCarly*. Emina's favorite movie is *The Jungle Book*.

Emina favorite hangout spot is by the science room. Emina's favorite quote is one you can hear her saying daily, "Good morning."

Best of luck in all you do to this super Warrior!

Trivial Trivia

When it is spring in the Northern Hemisphere, it will be autumn in the Southern Hemisphere.

The 1st day of spring 2018 in Northern Hemisphere will be on Tuesday, 20th March.

In spring, the Earth's axis is tilted toward the sun.

Warriors On To State!

Haeley Sandvig & Rory McClellan

On Wednesday, February 21, a miracle happened for the North Union Warriors. Number 21, Hallie Reese, made a buzzer beating shot to up Western Christian 50-48. Not only did the Warriors punch their ticket to state, but they also destroyed Western Christian's state qualifying streak.

The Warriors stayed on top through the whole game. Within a few minutes of the 4th quarter, Western Christian shot and tied the game 48-48. The warriors got the ball in a jump ball. You could feel the tension in the gym. Nobody was prepared for what would happen next. The Warriors took the ball down and stalled. Coach Tigges called a time out with only a few to go.

In the huddle I heard Samantha Hagedorn say, "Hallie, you take that shot." And that is exactly what she did. Kate Anderson passed the ball to Reese who passed the ball to Breanna Anderson. Breanna passed the ball to Hagedorn, who passed it back. Reese backdoored her defender and Breanna threw the pass. Reese shot her one handed shot.

The crowd went crazy when the ball went in. The Warrior fans stormed the court. It was truly a moment no one will ever forget. The teams dream had come true.

GOODLUCK to the team as they play Panorama on Wednesday, February 28th!



Gun Violence

Ruthie Dykshorn

With the increasing awareness and with more violence showing up in schools and all over the world I decided to do an informative article this week on the statistics of gun violence and the effects that guns have all over the world.

A mass shooting is defined as a single shooting incident which kills or injures four or more people, including the assailant. There were 372 mass shootings in the US in 2015, killing 475 people and wounding 1,870, according to the Mass Shooting Tracker. There were 64 school shootings in 2015, according to a dedicated campaign group set up in the wake of the Sandy Hook elementary school massacre in Connecticut in 2012. Those figures include occasions when a gun was fired but no-one was hurt.

Some 13,286 people were killed in the US by firearms in 2015, according to the Gun Violence Archive, and 26,819 people were injured [those figures exclude suicide]. The number of gun murders per capita in the US in 2012 - the most recent year for comparable statistics - was nearly 30 times that in the UK, at 2.9 per 100,000 compared with just 0.1. Of all the murders in the US in 2012, 60% were by firearm compared with 31% in Canada, 18.2% in Australia, and just 10% in the UK.

The main point I wish to make is to show how guns are not the problem that the people are because guns don't up and decide let me grow a pair of legs and go kill upwards of 13,000 people. Make better choices. Stop blaming the guns for poor decisions that people make; they are not to blame.

Word of the Week

meld
to blend or mix together; merge

Would You Rather

A series of would you rather questions were asked to a total of ten students and the results are as follows:

Would you rather have free wifi wherever you go or have free coffee where/whenver you want? Eight people would rather have wifi, and two people would rather have free coffee.

Would you rather rule the world or live in a world with absolutely no problems at all? The votes were tied 5-5.

Would you rather speak your mind or never speak again? Ten people would rather speak their mind.

Would you rather have no taste buds or be color blind? The score was 10-0 with people rathering be color blind.

Would you rather speak all languages or be able to speak to all animals? Nine people would rather speak to animals, with one person rather speaking all languages.

Question of the Week!

What's your worst kitchen experience?
Stacy Steinberger : the microwave started on fire when I was cooking a hotdog
Kennedy Krantz: putting my phone in the microwave
Melissa Burt: blowing up mom's bowl in the microwave
Fallon Culbertson: blender lid wasn't on all the way and it splattered all over the kitchen
Luke Schmidt: leaning against a

Just Joking

What do sea monsters eat?
Fish and Ships
What is a tree's favorite drink?
Root Beer
What do you call a book that's about the brain?
A Mind Reader

Guess Who? Teacher/Staff

Last week's mystery staff member was Mr. Schueller! Try to guess this week's teacher/staff member based on their favorite things:

Christmas is their favorite holiday.

El Agave is their favorite restaurant.

Their favorite animal is a dog.

Their favorite movie is the Planet of the Apes.

The Chicago Bears are their favorite sports team.

Fun Holidays

- March 1st- National Minnesota Day
- March 2nd- National Read Across America Day
- March 3rd- National Anthem Day
- March 4th- National Pound Cake Day
- March 5th- National Cheese Doodle Day
- March 6th- National Oreo Cookie Day
- March 7th- National Cereal Day

Trending Tweets

- #BTS
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- #LoganPaul
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- #MicDrop
- #PostMaloneStoneyTour
- #OlympicIceSkating
- #BornToMakeHistory
- #TrashPanda

Taking Tests

Blake Crawmer & Sarah Ingalls

Iowa Assessment Tests is a time of the year no student look forward to, but with the right test taking mentality and prep you can make it less of a chore.

Getting plenty of sleep the night before taking the tests can be a huge benefit. Your memory recall will be much better if you've had enough rest. In a scientific study, people who got enough sleep before taking a math test did better than those who stayed up all night studying.

Second, focus on addressing each question individually. As you take the test, if you don't know an answer, don't stress out over it. Instead, answer the best way you can or just completely skip over the question and come back to it.

And lastly relax. If you're so nervous that you blank out, you might need a mini-break. Of course you can't get up and move around in the middle of a test, but you can wiggle your fingers and toes, take four or five deep breaths, or picture yourself on a beach or some other calm place. If you follow these tips to make taking tests less of a dredge, it can bump up your test scores slightly also.

North Union high school students finished up taking test earlier this week.

Guess Who? Student Edition

Here are 5 facts about this week's mystery student. Don't forget to check back next week for the answer!

Their favorite color is blue.

They love to go to El Agave. Their favorite team is the Iowa Hawkeyes.

This Warrior has blue eyes. Their favorite vacation spot is to Arizona.

Last week's mystery student was Ashlyn Wickman.



Last week's mystery staff member Mr. Travis Schueller (above) and last week's mystery student Ashlyn Wickman (below).



This Week in History

- March 1, 1872- Yellowstone Becomes World's First National Park
- March 5, 1770- Boston Massacre
- March 7, 1936- Hitler Breaks Treaty of Versailles

Warrior Events

- March 1st Girls' State Basketball Tournament @ Des Moines
- March 2nd Girls' State Basketball Tournament @ Des Moines
- March 3rd Girls' State Basketball Tournament @ Des Moines
- March 7th 2:00 Dismissal Teacher In Service

Losing Sleep

Abby Kintzle & Tom Ricke

The day many high schoolers dread is approaching. On March 11th, individuals will set all of their clocks an hour ahead. The reason we have daylight savings time, is to make better use of the sunlight during the summer.

Americans change their clocks an hour ahead to lose an hour at night, but add on an hour of sleep, while different countries will just change their dates overall. A total of 70 countries are involved in Daylight Savings Time, and some countries even refer to it as "Summer Time". Americans will then regain their hour of sleep on November 4th, the first Sunday in November.

While Daylight Savings time is good for the earth, it has a very effective result on Americans. Numerous studies show that the extra hour that we lose can result in heart attacks, strokes, and illnesses. Another interesting fact about DST, is that the reason why it starts at 2am, is because most workers will be home for the night, and most bars and will be closed.

Hopefully, all the students here at North Union will be sound asleep so they can get a decent night's rest for the next week.

The Artist's Corner

Advanced sophomre Artisit Joe Schmidt works on his acrylic painting for the conference art show.



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By Marjorie Fitzgerald
I have discovered another interesting picture in the box of photos which was given to me. In this picture, Mary Elaine (Fangman) Quinn and Jackie (Lynch) Becker were shown holding a certificate and pin. With my magnifying glass, I was able to read "Certificate of Notable Accomplishment in Recognition of Heritage Home - Over five years of service." It was dated October 10, 1980 and signed by Jeanne Kinney. Jeanne was and continues to be Administrator of The Heritage Home, now known as Accura Health Center. When I phoned Jackie for more information, she told me that at the time, she had been employed there since 1968, about 12 years. She continued working there until she retired in 2007, close to 40 years of service. Through those many years, she served in different ways, but her main occupation was Supervisor of Housekeeping and Laundry. In 1980, Mary Elaine had probably

been employed around five or six years (my guess). Many years later, after retiring, she and Charlie eventually moved to Omaha, NE to be closer to family, where they spent their last years. To refresh my memory about the early days of the Heritage Home, I went to the Bancroft Centennial Book. On page 77, I read in the Town Council Proceedings "1964-Application by Directors of Heritage Home to operate a Nursing Home was approved." On page 84, you will find the detailed history. Thanks to the forward thinking of some Bancroft citizens who realized that nursing homes would be the wave of the future, Heritage Home became a reality in April, 1964. The directors were T. D. Garry, D.J. Welp, J. D. Murray, A.W. Kennedy, Frank Droessler and H.J. McNertney. In 1968, the first addition of 20 beds was added to the original 20 bed facility. A second addition was made in 1970. These additions were

necessitated by the need for more space, and the fact that there was usually a waiting list for those who needed care. In 1978, the Home was sold to Mike Hamm.

In keeping up to date with cultural changes, Stonebridge Suites was built and attached to the Home. This Assisted Living Facility has nine very nice apartments, a large well equipped kitchen and a beautifully decorated dining/meeting room.

On November 1, 2017 there was a change in ownership when Mike Hamm, who had operated it since 1978, sold it to Ted LaNeade, and the name was changed to Accura Health Center.

Finding this picture of Mary Elaine and Jackie has given me the opportunity to honor ALL of the dedicated staff members who have served over the years to brighten the days of the residents and their families. I know from personal experience, as both my mother and mother-in-law were residents. Jeanne, who has been administrator since 1977, knows the value of HOSPITALITY. The innumerable activities, the parties, the smiles and encouragement give the residents something to look forward to. And that is so important. Thank you!

Help preserve Bancroft's heritage! Support your local museum.

Addendum:
When I read last week's column, I realized I may have given the wrong impression, when I stated that Rev. Nelson was next in line having served 15 years. He did not serve AFTER Pastor Mueller; I meant that he was the next longest serving Pastor in the Bancroft Baptist Church. My apologies!

Today is the last day of February! I can only hope that March won't be as challenging as February has been.



The stop sign located on Bancroft's main street slowly shedded its coat of ice on Friday, February 23. The area received several inches of snow and ice the day before but with the sun out in full force, the ice melted away.

Days Gone By

Compiled by Julie Droessler

Five Years Ago

February 20, 2013

What do you do when you have a late start from school and there is six inches of newly fallen snow...play in it of course! That's just what Damien Freitage, Draven and Kartor Nicoson did. You could see their smiles and hear their laughter and they enjoyed making snow angels and rolling around on the ground before heading to school...Parker Oleson defeated Chad Slagle in the Championship match of the NU MS free throw contest by making 23 out of 25 free throws. Mr. Slagle made 21 out of 25. Others in the semifinals of the contest were 6th grade champion Elliott Hagebeck and 7th grade champion Kate Anderson.

Ten Years Ago

February 27, 2008

Kossuth Connections recently traveled to Washington, DC for the 18th Annual session of the Community of Anti-Drug Coalitions of America. Two student representatives, Courtney Haag and Ian McCleish, were selected to attend the event along with their youth leader, Jodee Goche, grant coordinator Angie Asa-Lovstad and Co-chair of Kossuth Connections Coalition, and Kossuth County Deputy Steve Kollasch. They were pictured with Iowa Senator Tom Harkin...Steph Kollasch has been chosen to join Mission Honduras LeMars and will travel with 19 students and 6 chaperones leaving on Wednesday March 12 and return home on March 24. The team will be laying water line to another village so that the village would have clean and safe water...Carter Engelby, pictured, decided to try the chicken noodle soup along with a grilled cheese sandwich at the free-will dinner held in the Lakota Fire Station on Sunday, February 24. The meal, sponsored by the Lakota Community Club is an annual event with proceeds going into a scholarship fund for Lakota graduates. North Iowa 4-Her's helped with serving beverages and cleaning tables during the fundraiser.

Seventy Years Ago

February 26, 1948

The Lions' Club voted unanimously last Thursday night to sponsor another "fly control" program in Swea City. The action resulted when it was pointed out how successful last year's campaign proved to be. Several merchants testified that only a few flies were noticed throughout the summer months last year, and if that can again be accomplished this year, it will be well worth the money and effort expended...The Central Iowa Telephone Company has given secretary Richard M. Anderson notice that switching fees will be increased from \$7.20 to \$12 plus taxes. The Rural Company, has not taken any action as yet...J. L. Vaux, a resident of this vicinity for 50 years, and Swea City Justice of the Peace and council member for many years, died February 20 at an Estherville hospital. Mr. Vaux suffered a broken hip in a fall down the basement steps at his home about 3 weeks ago. He was immediately taken to the hospital but Friday, at the age of 80 years, 7 months and 20 days, he died...From **Household Hints**...these are things to **Keep On Hand**: Percolator tops, electric fuses, an assortment of corks, waxed paper, paper napkins, a box of tacks, an extra can-opener, extra light bulbs, a ball of twine, bicycle tape.

Twenty-five Years Ago

March 3, 1993

The 1993 Sweetheart Candidates are seniors Kelli Knoner, Gwyn Deitering, and Jenni Junkermeir and juniors Kim Arndorfer, Melanie Eichenberger, and Heather Ricke. After week long competitions, the candidate with the most points will be crowned Sweetheart Queen Friday, March 5 in the North Kossuth gym. In addition, a dance for all high schoolers will be held Friday evening with MegaForce providing the music...The Swea City pool is in need of painting and a fundraiser brunch has been planned for April 18, 1993, to help defray expenses of the pool. Lutheran Brotherhood has agreed to match funds up to \$900.00. The City Council approved a motion to accept the bid of Don Swanson to re-paint the pool for \$1650.00... Winning the Fairmont 8th Grade Tournament was the North Kossuth 8th grade boys basketball team. The Cougars beat Martin County West, 43-20, picking up

PEEL discussion gets heated amongst North Kossuth School Board members

By Kim Meyer
staff writer

This is the first meeting for the North Kossuth School Board since the PPEL vote failed for a second time. Board members spoke about how they felt about the vote and what they had heard from others during the February 22 meeting. Superintendent Travis Schueller informed the board first that he did not have final numbers for the election cost. They would not be made available until mid-March. The cost of postage of the mailings for the PPEL vote was around \$200. Board president Chris Hardt was disappointed with the failing of the vote and wondered if the facilities committee should meet to come up with a new plan and approach in hopes of passing the PPEL. Alycia Sandvig, board member, was frustrated about the vote fail and was also concerned over some of the things she had heard regarding board members and their thoughts. She stated that the vote affects everyone and that the PPEL is a need not a want. She also noted that she didn't like hearing that the people are perceiving the board is divided. She added that yes sometimes, the board has to agree to disagree. Phil Albers added that he was told board members were telling people that the information on the flyers was incorrect. He added that information

was correct. Rick Bauer, who voiced his thoughts about being personally attacked with the comments, stated the PPEL vote is causing a controversy between the two towns. And stated he never told anyone the information on the flyers was incorrect. He noted that was confused on the exact dollar that was being voted on and had to ask. He stated that if he was confused so were others. Board member Roger Hagedorn added his thoughts and said that Bancroft will never pass the PPEL and he does not feel that the district should hold the vote again. "Bancroft and Ledyard have spoke their piece". Rick added that the PPEL and LOST accounts have sufficient funds for now. Hardt stated that if not all seven members are for the PPEL vote, then the district should not try again. He restated that the he felt the facilities committee should still meet and come up with a precise plan of what needs to be done and present it back to the board. The facilities committee consists of Hardt, Albers and Bauer. The gym floor will be sanded, painted and waxed. It was thought that the floor had not been sanded for several years. With the floor being sanded down, it will allow the school to change the colors of the lines to match the school colors, add the logo and to place the

lines in the correct place so during volleyball tape does not have to be used when having two volleyball games going on at the same time. A bid from Integrity to do all the work will cost \$8,820 and will be waxed with a water base instead of oil base. The bid was approved by the board. Building principal Julie Runksmeier spoke about Reading Rally Week that is taking place. Each day is a different dress up day and activity for the elementary students. The middle school students were holding their Olympic day and had many activities planned. The middle school held their 3 on 3 basketball tournament with the students defeating the teachers. The administration team has been meeting once a month and sometimes more. The team focuses on keeping the three buildings consistent with each other while still maintaining them as an individual. The Strengthening Families program has begun for students in fifth and sixth grade. There is no cost to the school for this program. Driver's Education will be held this spring and be taught by Amy Walter again. The class will be held after school again. At next month's meeting, Julie will present information regarding the middle school career day that will be taking place. Maintenance director Chris Stevens replaced four steam traps in the elementary wing which has helped the boiler run more efficiently. A table broke in the cafeteria which Chris fixed by taking it apart and welding it back together. A replacement cost of a table is \$1,500. Chris is currently using his welder located in his shop to fix things such as the table, chairs and desk. Chris has looked into new welders and quizzed Vaske Sales and Service about the cost of a new welder that would work better than his to weld these items. The cost for the welder and accessories would be around \$1,500. This was information only and nothing was decided on. Approved were:
• Board policy 700 and 800 series
• resignation of cook Sue Feld
• open enrollment of a kindergarten student for next year and a seventh grade student for this year. Superintendent Schueller spoke about the girls basketball team and heading to state. There will be no school on Wednesday, February 28 to allow students to attend the state tournament. The budget hearing will be held on March 19 at 5:30 p.m. prior to the regular school board meeting.

Obituary

Herman Harm Evers . . . 86



Lake where he worked for area farmers and Swift Eckrich in St. James. He later worked at the Mountain Lake Public schools as a bus driver and janitor. He worked there until January 1, 2004, where he retired and he and Carol moved to Lakota to live on Carol's family farm. They were blessed with two sons Rodney and Paul. Herman was a 60-year member of the American Legion and the First Presbyterian Church of Lakota where he served as Trustee. He enjoyed farming, tractor rides, his Belgium horses, spending time with family old-time music, and watching TV. A funeral service was held on February 27, 2018 at the First Presbyterian Church in Lakota. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Carol; one son Paul (Emily) Evers of Magnolia, MN; two grandchildren, Kayla and Allyssa Evers; siblings, Doris Carway, Clare Schenk, Walter (Marie) Evers, Elmer (Jane) Evers, Irene (Eugene) Zimmerman, Richard (Susan) Evers, David (Sharon) Evers; brother and sister-in-laws, David (Janice) Winter, Eleanor Winter, Barbara (Ronald) Schroeder, and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his son, Rodney on September 15, 2014; his parents, parents in law, Raymond and Edna (Estle) Winter; brothers-in-law, Donald Winter, and James Winter.

Funeral services set for Kenneth Mulligan

A funeral Mass for Kenneth Mulligan, 93, of Bancroft will be held Thursday, March 1 at 10:30 a.m. at St. John's Catholic Church in Bancroft. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, February 28 at Oakcrest Funeral Services of Bancroft with a rosary beginning at 4:00 p.m.

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Golden Bears headed to state

By Greg Grabianowski
Sports Editor

For the first time since the year 2000, the Bishop Garrigan Golden Bear girls' basketball team is headed to the Class 1A state basketball tournament.

The black-and-gold, ranked 15th in the final rankings, out-scored No. 5 Kingsley-Pierson 15-9 in overtime to hand last year's state semi-finalist a 73-67 season ending loss.

The Golden Bears built a 19-point lead in the first half only to see Kingsley-Pierson chip away at the lead and take a three-point lead late but Jenna Boelter nailed a three-pointer with three seconds left in regulation to force an extra session that was dominated by Bishop Garrigan.

"That was a lot of fun and I am very proud of the kids," said Golden Bear Head Coach Brandon Schwab after the game. "We hit some big shots in the first half to build a big cushion. They made a run in the second half but I was really happy with the way we handled things when it got close."

"They are a great team. They came back because they were the state semi-finalists last season with four starters back. It was so tough trying to hold them down inside. Jenna was great but this was a total team effort and everyone was part of it."

"Kaylyn had 14 points in her second game back from her injury, Grace yanked down 12 rebounds, Whitney had a huge steal late and Katie hit some big shots early. Alisa played great defense coming off the bench, Caitlin hit two big free throws and Maddie gave us some offense."

Kingsley-Pierson scored the opening basket of the game on steal and ensuing lay-up before Katie Noonan nailed a three-pointer. The Panthers scored a hoop and then two teams traded free throws to make the score 5-4.

The Golden Bears responded by going on a 10-0 run to take a 14-5 advantage forcing a time out with 2:05 to play in the opening stanza. After a hoop by all-stater Addison Hirschman ended the run, Kaylyn Meyers converted a traditional three-point play for the locals.

After a pair of free throws by the Panthers, Grace McGuire drilled a triple before Abbi Bailey scored the final basket of the first period as Bishop Garrigan led 20-11 at the conclusion of the first quarter.

The Golden Bears opened the second frame with a 7-0 run before Hirschman drained a three-pointer. The locals responded with a 6-0 run to establish its biggest lead of the evening at 33-14 with 4:15 to play in the first half, forcing another Kingsley-Pierson timeout.

The Panthers answered with a 5-0 run of their own that was ended by a hoop from McGuire but Kingsley-Pierson scored the final five points of the opening half as Bishop Garrigan enjoyed a 35-24 lead at intermission.

The first five points of the second half were scored by the Panthers but Boelter pocketed a steal and scored a lay-up for the locals. Boelter splashed a trey in between baskets from Hirschman to make the score 40-33 with three minutes gone in the third stanza.

The Golden Bears scored the next hoop but Kingsley-Pierson scored the next five points to slice the lead to 42-38 with 3:29 still remaining in the third quarter.

Maddie Meister hit the front end of a two-shot foul but Hirschman made two straight baskets to cut the advantage to 43-42. Meyers answered with a huge a traditional three-point play before Hirschman scored the final basket of the frame as Bishop Garrigan led 46-44 at the third quarter break.

Boelter drilled a triple to open the final eight minutes' scoring before Hirschman made a free throw. Boelter scored a driving hoop for the locals and then Bradi Harvey sank a pair of charity shots for the Panthers.

McGuire banked in a shot from the elbow for the Golden Bears but Kingsley-Pierson answered with the next six points to dead-lock the contest at 53-53 with 3:40 to play in regulation.

Boelter gave the locals back the lead with a basket but the Panthers scored four straight free throws to take their first lead since 4:25 mark of the first period.

Bailey hit the back end of a two-shot foul with 33 seconds to make the score 58-55. Things looked doomed for Bishop Garrigan when Noonan missed a jumper and Hirschman

grabbed the rebound but Whitney Hovey registered a steal and the locals called a timeout with 7.8 seconds left.

The Golden Bears got the ball in to Boelter, who did one of her patented step-back three-pointers with three seconds to tie the game up at 58-58 and force overtime.

Jayde Barto made one of two free throws to open the extra session before hoops from Boelter and Meyers gave the locals a 62-59 advantage 44 seconds into overtime.

Madison Goodwin came up with a steal and scored a lay-up to cut the lead to 62-61 before Boelter drained a triple and sank two foul shots to give Bishop Garrigan a 67-61 lead with 1:17 to play.

Noonan made one of two charity shots with 37 seconds to play and Caitlin Thilges swished two foul shots with 27 seconds to go as the locals were feeling good.

But Barto drained a three-pointer with 18 seconds remaining before Boelter sank two foul shots. Meyers hit the back end of a two-shot foul with nine seconds left and Jensen splashed a triple at the buzzer to make the final score 73-67.

Bishop Garrigan was successful on 25-of-55 overall field goals for 45.4 percent, went 9-of-26 on three-pointers for 34.6 percent and made 14-of-20 foul shots for 70 percent in the win.

Kingsley-Pierson connected on 21-of-60 shots from the floor for 35 percent, hit 8-of-32 attempts behind three-point arc for 25 percent and sank 17-of-22 free throws for 77.2 percent in the loss.

Boelter was outstanding as the senior guard poured in a game-high 34 points to lead her team in scoring and Meyers also reached double digits with 14 points.

McGuire chipped in with nine points followed by Noonan with six as Meister added five points with Hovey rounding out the Golden Bears scoring with three points.

McGuire ripped down a game-high 12 rebounds in the victory as both Hovey and Meyers added five more. Noonan yanked down four with Alisa Altman and Boelter each hauling in three boards and both Thilges and Meister grabbed a pair of caroms.

Meyers handed out three assists for Bishop Garrigan with Boelter dishing out two assists and McGuire, Noonan and Thilges all passed out one assist in the contest.

Boelter led the Golden Bears in steals with four along with one theft each from McGuire, Hovey, Altman and Meyers. McGuire recorded three blocked shots for the black-and-gold with Hovey adding one rejection in the game.

"I so unbelievably proud of these kids," said Coach Schwab. "They have put in so much time to get to this point and to be able to do this on the big stage is great. We talked all year about knowing we had to learn from the close losses and tonight we handled it better. We talked about this for a long time and now we made it happen."

Bishop Garrigan improved to 17-7 overall and Kingsley-Pierson finished the season with an overall mark of 20-3. The Golden Bears played top-ranked Springville yesterday (Wednesday) at the Wells-Fargo Arena in Des Moines.

If the Golden Bears won that contest, they would play in the semi-finals on Friday at 1:30 p.m. and the Class 1A state finals are scheduled for Saturday night at 7 p.m.

Kingsley-Pierson (67)—Bradi Harvey 1-9 2-2 5; Bri Jensen 3-8 2-2 10; Madison Goodwin 3-10 2-4 10; Jayde Barto 4-12 5-6 12; Addison Hirschman 9-18 3-4 22; Jena Schmidt 0-0 0-0 0; Madeyn Neumann 0-0 0-0 0; Madison Wurth 0-2 0-0 0; Abbi Bailey 1-5 2-3 5. Kingsley-Pierson Totals, 21-60 17-22 67. Three-point field goals, Harvey 1-8, Jensen 2-6, Goodman 2-6, Barto 2-4, Hirschman 1-4, Wurth 0-2, Bailey 0-2.

Bishop Garrigan (73)—Grace McGuire 4-8 0-0 9; Jenna Boelter 12-20 4-4 34; Whitney Hovey 1-9 0-0 3; Alisa Altman 0-0 0-0 0; Katie Noonan 2-6 1-2 6; Kaylyn Meyers 4-8 6-9 14; Maddie Meister 2-4 1-3 5; Emma Fogarty 0-0 0-0 0; Caitlin Thilges 0-0 2-2 2. Bishop Garrigan Totals, 25-55 14-20 73. Three-point field goals, McGuire 1-1, Boelter 6-10, Hovey 1-9, Noonan 1-4, Meyers 0-2. Quarter scores, Bishop Garrigan led 20-11, 35-24, 46-44 and game tied 58-58.

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Bancroft Senior Citizen Menu

Wednesday, February 28: Beef casserole, garden beans, cranberry pear crisp, WW roll, tomato juice

Thursday, March 1: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes w/gravy, cranberry Brussels sprouts, cinnamon applesauce

Friday, March 2: COOK'S CHOICE

Monday, March 5: Turkey noodle casserole, garden beans, cranberry pear crisp, WW roll, tomato juice

Tuesday, March 6: Taco soup -or- white chili, tortilla chips, lettuce salad, applesauce jello

Wednesday, March 7: Scalloped potatoes & ham, broccoli, hot fruit compote, OJ

Thursday, March 8: Swedish meatballs, baked potato w/sour cream, Harvard beets, mixed fruit

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Wednesday, February 28
 2:15 - 4:30 p.m. - St. Joseph's Kids for Christ
 6:00 p.m. - Rite of Penance at St. John's, Bancroft
 6:30 p.m. - Mass at St. John's, Bancroft
 7:00 p.m. - Religious Education Classes

7:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross at St. John's, Bancroft
Thursday, March 1
 6:00 p.m. - Rite of Penance at Sacred Heart, Ledyard
 6:10 p.m. - Stations of the Cross at Sacred Heart, Ledyard
 6:30 p.m. - Mass at Sacred Heart, Ledyard
 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Lenten Study at St. Joseph in Wesley

Friday, March 2
 7:30 a.m. - Confessions at St. John, Bancroft
 8:00 a.m. - Mass at St. John, Bancroft
 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. - Adoration St. John, Bancroft
Saturday, March 3
 4:15 p.m. - Rite of Penance at St. Joseph, Wesley
 5:00 p.m. - Mass at St. Joseph, Wesley

Sunday, March 4
 7:45 a.m. - Rite of Penance at St. John the Baptist, Bancroft
 8:30 a.m. - Mass at St. John the Baptist, Bancroft
 10:30 a.m. - Mass at Sacred Heart, Ledyard
 2:15 - 4:30 p.m. - St. Joseph's Kids for Christ
Tuesday, March 6
 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Eucharistic Adoration at St. John's, Bancroft
 6:00 p.m. - Rite of Penance at St. Joseph, Wesley
 6:10 p.m. - Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph, Wesley

6:30 p.m. - Mass at St. Joseph, Wesley
Wednesday, March 7
 2:15 - 4:30 p.m. - St. Joseph's Kids for Christ
 6:00 p.m. - Rite of Penance at St. John's, Bancroft
 6:30 p.m. - Mass at St. John's, Bancroft

7:00 p.m. - Religious Education Classes, Stations of the Cross
Thursday, March 8
 6:00 p.m. - Rite of Penance at Sacred Heart, Ledyard
 6:10 p.m. - Stations of the Cross at Sacred Heart, Ledyard
 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Sacred Heart Rosary Society Mass and Meeting, Ledyard
 6:30 p.m. - Mass at Sacred Heart, Ledyard
 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Lenten Study at St. Joseph in Wesley

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 3:00 p.m. - Mighty Warrior Kids
 6:00 p.m. - Mighty Warriors Youth Group - Open Bible
Sunday, March 1
 8:45 a.m. - Worship Service
 10:00 a.m. - Fellowship

Wednesday, March 7
 12:00 noon - Lenten Luncheon at Main Street Manor, Swea City
 3:00 p.m. - Mighty Warrior Kids
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Wednesday, February 28
 12:00 noon - Lenten Luncheon at Main Street Manor, Swea City
 3:00 p.m. - Mighty Warrior Kids
 6:00 p.m. - Mighty Warriors Youth Group - Open Bible
 7:00 p.m. - Worship

Thursday, March 1
 7:00 a.m. - Women's Bible Study at Main Street Manor, Swea City
Sunday, March 4
 9:00 a.m. - Adult and children Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. - Worship
Wednesday, March 7
 12:00 noon - Lenten Luncheon at Main Street Manor, Swea City
 3:00 p.m. - Mighty Warrior Kids
 6:00 p.m. - Mighty Warriors Youth Group - Open Bible
 7:00 p.m. - Worship

Thursday, March 8
 7:00 a.m. - Women's Bible Study at Main Street Manor, Swea City

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Bancroft, Iowa
Pastor Jim Dewar
Sunday, March 4
 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. - Worship Service
Wednesday, March 7
 7:30 p.m. - Bible Study, Children's Classes, and Prayer Time

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN
 Lakota, Iowa
Pastor Walter Reemtsma, CRE
Wednesday, February 28
 7:00 p.m. - Lenten Service at St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Sunday, March 4
 8:30 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
Wednesday, March 7
 7:00 p.m. - Lenten Service at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Lakota, Iowa
Interim Judy Wozniak
Wednesday, February 28
 6:00 p.m. - Lenten Meal
 7:00 p.m. - Lenten Service, here, hosting First Presbyterian
Sunday, March 4
 8:30 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
Wednesday, March 7
 6:00 p.m. - Lenten Meal
 7:00 p.m. - Lenten Service, here, hosting First Presbyterian

ALGONA FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Pastor Loren Shellabarger
 Pastor Walter Reemtsma
Wednesday, February 28
 5:00 p.m. - Family Supper at Algona First Presbyterian Church
 6:00 p.m. - Christ Worship Service at Algona First Presbyterian Church
Friday, March 2
 1:30 p.m. - World Day of Prayer at St. Cecelia Catholic Church in Algona

Sunday, March 4
 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School at Algona First Presbyterian Church
 10:15 a.m. - Worship Service at Algona First Presbyterian Church
 11:15 a.m. - Fellowship and Coffee Time After Worship Service at Algona First Presbyterian Church
Monday, March 5
 9:00 a.m. - Sunday's Worship Service on AMU Channel 4 and on Mediacom Channel 3

Wednesday, March 7
 3:30 p.m. - Younger Youth Fellowship at Algona First Presbyterian Church
 5:00 p.m. - Family Supper at Algona First Presbyterian Church
 6:00 p.m. - Christ Worship Service at Algona First Presbyterian Church

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Lone Rock, Iowa
Pastor Walter Reemtsma
Wednesday, February 28
 5:00 p.m. - Meal
 6:00 p.m. - Lone Rock will participate in "Christ Wednesday in Algona Saturday, March 3
 8:30 a.m. - Fellowship Breakfast with Pastor Loren speaking on mission trip to Texas
Sunday, March 4
 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. - Fellowship
 10:30 a.m. - Worship

Tuesday, March 6
 8:30 a.m. - Prayer Time
Wednesday, March 7
 12:00 p.m. - Lenten Lunch, Lone Rock Church

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Lone Rock, Iowa
Rev. David Bergquist
Wednesday, February 28
 5:00 p.m. - Lenten Service at Immanuel
 6:00 p.m. - 4-6th grade Midweek Class at Immanuel
Sunday, March 1
 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. - Worship
Wednesday, March 7
 5:00 p.m. - Lenten Service at Immanuel
 6:00 p.m. - 4-6th grade Midweek

Class at Immanuel
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 CHURCH
Pastor Seth Campbell
 Swea City, Iowa
Wednesday, February 28
 12:00 noon - Lenten Luncheon at Main Street Manor, Swea City
 6:00 p.m. - Mighty Warriors Youth Group - Open Bible
 7:00 p.m. - Services at Immanuel
Sunday, March 1
 9:00 a.m. - Morning Service
 10:30 a.m. - Sunday School, Coffee
Wednesday, March 7
 12:00 noon - Lenten Luncheon at Main Street Manor, Swea City
 6:00 p.m. - Mighty Warriors Youth Group - Open Bible
 7:00 p.m. - Services at E&R

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Pastor David Schultz
 Swea City, Iowa
Sunday, March 4
 8:30 a.m. - Worship
Wednesday, March 6
 3:00 p.m. - Mighty Warrior Kids
 6:00 p.m. - Mighty Warriors Youth Group - Open Bible

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 Swea City
Pastor Bobbie Bauer
Sunday, March 4
 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. - Morning Worship
Wednesday, March 5
 3:00 p.m. - Mighty Warrior Kids
 6:00 p.m. - Mighty Warriors Youth Group - Open Bible

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 Pastor Joel DeNeui
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Sunday, March 4
 8:45 a.m. - Morning worship
 10:00 a.m. - Bible Class
Wednesday, March 5
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Rev. Thomas J Cowell
Wednesday, February 28
 9:00 a.m. - Preschool
 6:00 p.m. - Religion School
 6:30 p.m. - Lenten Service
Thursday, March 1
 9:00 a.m. - Preschool
Sunday, March 4
 8:00 a.m. - Sunday School/Adult Class
 9:00 a.m. - Service
Tuesday, March 6
 9:00 a.m. - Preschool
Wednesday, March 7
 9:00 a.m. - Preschool
 6:00 p.m. - Religion School
 6:30 p.m. - Lenten Service
Thursday, March 8
 9:00 a.m. - Preschool

Chantel Dewar Named BJU Alumni Association Legacy Student

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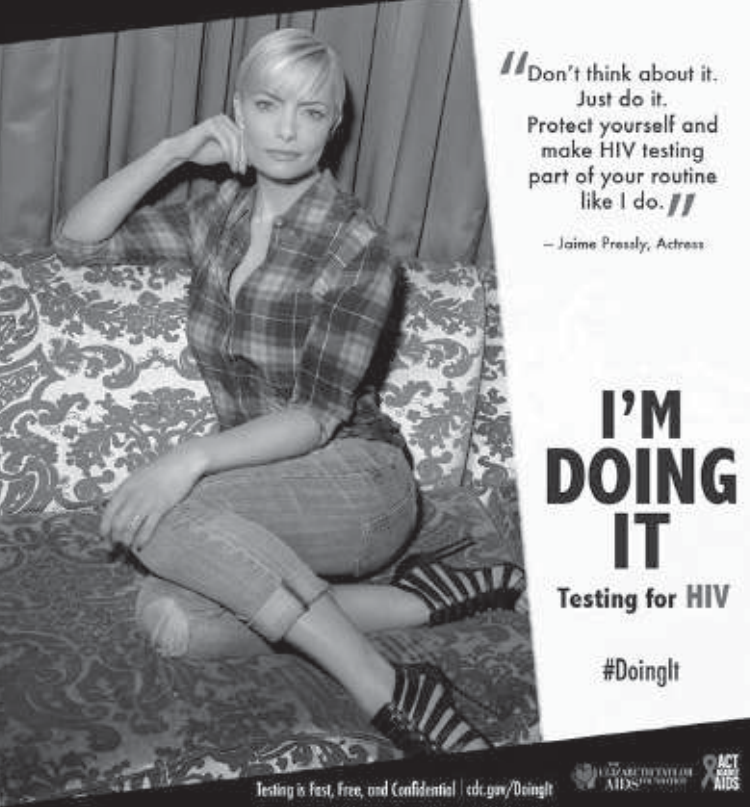
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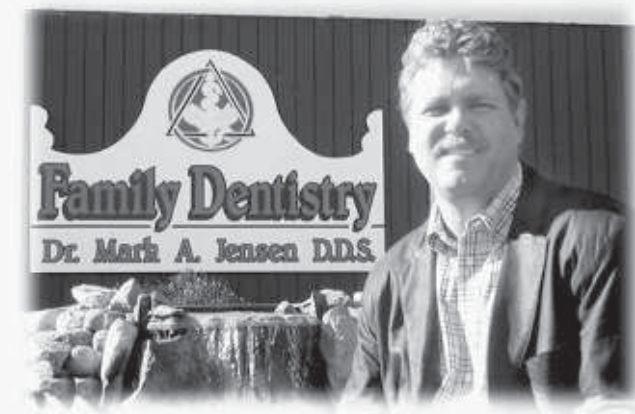
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