

Bancroft

Days Gone By

5 Years Ago
 July 29, 2020

The calm before the storm at North Union Middle School as the doors will open to the students on August 24 when they head back to school in person...Work began on North Portland Street with a crew hammering out the concrete. Street work will continue through September...Jake and Addi Emster had amazing support from the area to raise \$110 in just 2.5 hours to donate to the Mighty Warriors Youth Group! According to their mom, Tab, the kids have been wanting to do a lemonade stand all summer. They sold a glass of lemonade for a \$1 and brownies for a \$1 in front of their home in Iowa City.

10 Years Ago
 July 22, 2015

Doc Ellsworth has sold the Armstrong/Lakota Vet Clinic to Dr. Samantha Wedeking and her husband Matt. A customer appreciation/meet and greet hog roast will be held on Sunday, August 26th starting at 4:00 p.m. at the Lakota Fire Station...The Bancroft Library's Summer Popcorn and Movie Day on Tuesday, July 14 at 1:30 p.m. They had 42 kids attending and enjoying popcorn with M&M's and a bottle of water. They watched "Big Hero 6" which fit in great with their Summer Reading Program theme "Every Hero Has A Story". Everyone enjoyed the movie and the popcorn...Ray "Bubba" Sorensen is a man on a mission, a 10-year mission that encompasses the entire state of Iowa. His goal is to paint a rock in every county in the state in honor of all the veterans of the United States military. His latest stop found him in Whittemore, Iowa, continuing that mission, painting the Kossuth County Freedom Rock. It is not a glitzy, glittery creation what some call modern art but artwork that, when finished will honor all veterans and help tell a story of all veterans throughout every county in the state.

25 Years Ago
 July 19, 2000

Once again, Kennedy Insurance of Bancroft has donated a new Huffy bicycle to be given away during the Bike Safety Rodeo on Wacky Wednesday Day. Dave Schiltz and Linda Droessler, agents for Kennedy Insurance Company, with the new, pretty red bike purchased from Shillington Hardware...According to Bancroft Police Chief Art Ingalls, who investigated the accident, the flag pole at the Bancroft Post Office was struck by Chad Ortman early Wednesday morning, July 12 at around 12:35 a.m. when he hit standing water and lost control. He slid backwards and up onto the sidewalk, striking the flag

Public Notice

Union Slough Taking Bids for Haying Harvest

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Union Slough NWR is soliciting sealed bids (per ton) for hay harvest on three tracts in Kossuth Co. Must be at least 18 years old to apply. Bid forms and maps available at refuge headquarters and at https://www.fws.gov/refuge/union_slough/. Bids are due at headquarters on July 31, 2025 by 4 pm. Bid opening to take place at the headquarters at 10am on August 1, 2025. Applicants need not be present. For more information call 515-928-2523. (Published July 23, 2025)

Your Right To Know

Proceedings of the
 Kossuth County
 Board of Supervisors

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
 July 8, 2025
 REGULAR July SESSION
 The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment. Present were Carter Nath, Josh Waechter, Kyle Stecker, Amber Garman and Howard Haas.
 Chairman, Carter Nath called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
 Public discussion was held.
 Motion by Haas and 2nd by Stecker to approve the agenda and minutes of the previous meetings dated June 30 and July 1, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.
 A discussion was held with the Secondary Road Foremen.
 Kossuth County Engineer Doug Miller recognized Lynn Stevens for Retirement from Kossuth County.
 Renew Gov presented information via the internet on their company and software.
 Motion by Stecker and 2nd by Haas to accept the Petition for Improvement on DD 80 Lat 70 & Lat 10 and appoint Bolton & Menik as Engineer. Motion carried unanimously.
 There was no Construction in ROW.
 A discussion was held with the Kossuth County Engineer.
 Discussions were held with the Kossuth County Auditor and Kossuth County Board of Supervisors.
 Motion by Garman and 2nd by Waechter to adjourn at 10:16A.M. Motion carried unanimously.
 Attest: Tammy Eden
 Kossuth County Auditor

Carter Nath, Chairman
 Kossuth County Board of Supervisors
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pole, which now tilts slightly. The pole should be able to be straightened out, however, since it is planted in mostly sandy ground. There was \$150 damage to the pole and \$600 damage to Ortman's pickup.

50 Years Ago
 July 23, 1975

Marv captured the North Kossuth Gold Club's twelfth annual Men's Club Tournament, Sunday, July 20. Austin, a depot agent at Lakota, copped his second consecutive crown by carding rounds of 35-34 (69) to win by five strokes. Eighteen year old Dan Wollner, playing for the first time with his new set of clubs, broke them in right by firing a 35-39 (74) for second place. Steve Kemna shot consistently with rounds of 37-38 (75) for third place...Estimated damages in excess of \$500 was caused to the Charley Quinn barn and feed bunk, located in south Bancroft, early Sunday morning. A pickup truck, owned by Harvey Trucks, 30, was left at the scene of the accident following the crash. Officials said the pickup skidded 290 feet into an outdoor feed bunk, pushing the feed bunk 24 feet and through the barn. Estimated damage to the truck was \$300.

70 Years Ago
 July 21, 1955

Ralph Reinsbach was elected commander of McKinnon Post The American Legion at the meeting last week. Other new officers, all of whom will be installed at the next regular meeting, are; A. H. Deitering, adjutant; Rev. Edmond Adams, chaplain; A. C. Accurso, sergeant at arms; A. A. Fangman, finance officer; Walter Fangman, historian...LUNCHEON HONORS CAPT. FISCHER. The Iowa delegation in Washington, D.C. honored Capt. Harold Fischer of Swea City July 11 when the picture was taken in front of the U.S. Capitol. Senator Tom Martin, Captain Fischer, Rep James I. Dolliver, Senator Hickenlooper, Rep. Paul Cunningham, Rep. Henry Talle, Rep. H. R. Gross, Rep. Fred Schwengel, Rep. Ben Jensen, Rep. Kari LeCompte, and Rep. Charles Hoeven were all present.

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Proceedings of the
 NK School Board

Board Work Session
 Conference Room
 Swea City, Iowa
 5:30 PM
 July 14, 2025
 (All votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted)
 The North Kossuth School Board met on Monday, July 14, 2025, in the Conference Room, Swea City, Iowa at 5:30 PM. Meeting was called to order by North Kossuth Board President Chris Hardt. Roll Call was answered by: Hardt, Albers, Deim, Morpew, and Goraczowski. Absent was Heetland and Grimm. Also present was Superintendent Travis Schueller, Principal Julie Runksmeyer, SBO Erin Rogers, Board Secretary Jennie Larsen, Maintenance Director Adam Pointer, and member of media. Motion by Goraczowski, seconded by Deim was made to approve the Board Agenda. Motion carried.
 Site Logic team gave a presentation on the overview of the building.
 Adjournment: Motion by Deim, seconded by Goraczowski was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Board President, Chris Hardt

Board Secretary, Jennie Larsen
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BMU CLAIMS-JULY 2025	AMOUNT
VENDOR, FOR	
Advantage Admin	
Health Insurance	\$31.50
Alliant Energy, Gas	\$43.42
Allied ENS,IT Services	\$988.39
Bancroft Cargo,Gas/supplies	\$361.96
BMU,Utilities	\$197.30
Bancroft Register, Publishing	\$139.14
City of Bancroft, Payroll	\$20,774.76
DBR	
Electric engineering	\$4,696.00
Ditch Witch of IA	
Street vacuum-Electric share	\$18,225.00
Dump It Sanitation	
Big garbage day	\$1,317.00
Go Gutters, Building repairs	\$1,844.68
Gordon Flesch Co,	
Copier lease	\$182.95
Hager Foods	
4th of July beverages	\$309.41
IAMU, Training dues	\$1,458.02
IA Dept of Revenue,	
Sales tax	\$5,682.57
Iowa One Call, Locate notices	\$63.00
Irby, Stuart C	
Electric supply	\$49,096.95
IWORQ	
Work order management	\$5,440.00
NIMECA, Power cost	\$55,560.49
TP Anderson Co	
Audit work	\$15,000.00
US Treasury, Excise tax	\$17.35
VISA, Lodging, meals	\$720.25
Wellmark BC/BS	
Health Insurance	\$6,512.80
WCTA, Communications	\$128.64
	\$183,791.58

BMU ELECTRIC BANK FUNDS	
BALANCE 06/01/2025	\$906,565.54
RECEIPTS	\$226,267.34
DISBURSEMENTS	\$(183,034.00)
BALANCE 06/30/2025	\$949,798.88

MONEY MARKET FUND	
BALANCE 06/01/2025	\$375,031.72
INTEREST	\$1,456.55
NET CHANGE	\$2,880.67
BALANCE 06/30/2025	\$379,368.94
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2025 Kossuth County Fair

Pageant Contestants

A total of
 63 contestants
 will vie for
 five crowns
 in the annual
 fair pageant
 July 29th



8:00 PM
 TUESDAY
 JULY 29TH
 AT THE
 KOSSUTH CO. FAIR
 GRANDSTAND

• QUEEN • JR. MISS •
 • PRINCESS •
 • LIL' MISS • LIL' PRINCESS
 ROYALTY CASH PRIZES
 Sponsored by
 Heartland Mutual Insurance
 QUEEN SCHOLARSHIP
 Sponsored by
 Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative



Queen
 Contestant
 (ages 17-21)

Ashten Peters
 Paula Peters
 Whittemore

Jr. Miss Contestants (ages 14-16)



Eva Kohlhaas
 Josh and Margie Kohlhaas
 Algona



Kylie Kron
 Josh and Brenda Duckert
 Algona



Lauryn Penner
 Aaron and Melissa Penner
 Whittemore



Brynlie Erpeling
 John and Emily Erpeling
 Algona



Rose Kitzinger
 Nate and Ivy Kitzinger
 Titonka



Grace Luitjens
 Amanda Solberg and Eric Luitjens
 Algona



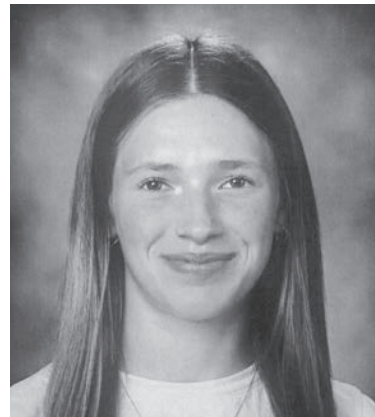
Josephine Reynolds
 Todd and Ashley Reynolds and
 Elizabeth and Corbin Fehr
 Algona



Maggie Divis
 Matthew and Melissa Divis
 Algona



Emily Oldenkamp
 Dan and Kim Oldenkamp
 Algona



Olivia Snider
 Andrea Louscher and Scott Snider
 Algona

Princess Contestants (ages 11-13)



Josephine Owen
 Brent and Melanie Owen
 Algona



Kennedy Klaschen
 Debbie and Cody Klaschen
 Algona



Addisyn Griese
 Phil and Kara Griese
 Bancroft



Lexi Hilbert
 Ashton Collins and Tony Hilbert
 Lu Verne



Peyton Paulsen
 Brittany and Heath Paulsen
 Kati and Mark Godden
 Lakota



Aubree Sorenson
 Cheyenne and Dawson Sorenson
 Swea City



Meredith Marso
 Mike and Tara Marso
 West Bend



Miley Parcel
 Ashlee and Willy Parcell
 Algona



Beckett Riedesel
 Clay and Ashley Riedesel
 Wesley



Elsie Kramer
 Ben and Brooke Kramer
 Algona



Livia Williams
 Jess and Will Williams
 Lu Verne