



ACFP photo by DAN DICKINSON
NV/OM senior Carter Osborne tries to beat the throw of East Union catcher Tristin Lear during a softball game in Greenfield May 30.

Strong hitting a plus for winning Wolverine girls

By Ryan Stonebraker
Contributing Writer

Nodaway Valley/OM softball improved to 3-0 in Pride of Iowa Conference play in the last week, remaining near the top of conference standings. The Wolverines are tied with Southeast Warren, which is also 3-0, a half-game behind conference leader Wayne.

The Wolverines last played Thursday, when they won a wild 12-11 game against Central Decatur.

The Wolverines play both Southeast Warren and Wayne this week. They traveled to Wayne Tuesday and host SEW Friday. The Falcons are top-ranked in Class 1A and the Warhawks are fifth. Martensdale-St.

Marys, ranked ninth in 1A, is in town Thursday. The Wolverines dip into non-conference action Wednesday in a trip to Earlham.

“It’s a big week. We are sitting pretty confident where we are now,” NV/OM co-head coach Ryan Zenor said. “We have the battles of the best this week with the three ranked teams in our conference and then an always good Earlham team. We’re buckling up for a heck of a week.”

In the Central Decatur game, the Cardinals sent 10 batters to the plate in the top of the first to jump out to a 6-0 lead. Nodaway Valley/OM would answer, scoring three times in the

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ACFP photos by DAN DICKINSON
Nodaway Valley/OM junior Keyin Steeve slides into third base during last Friday night’s game against East Union.

Boys notch first wins behind improved results at the plate

By Caleb Nelson
Adair County Free Press

A three-run fourth inning helped East Union find a cushion it needed for a 5-2 baseball win over Nodaway Valley/OM Friday at Greenfield.

The victory by the Eagles erased the home team’s chances for a three-win week last week after the Wolverines defeated Griswold on the road last Wednesday 7-2 and Central Decatur 20-1 at home one night later.

The Wolverines were 2-4 overall and 1-2 in the Pride of Iowa Conference entering this week. That put them in fourth place behind Martensdale-St. Marys in the lead; East Union, Lenox and Mount Ayr, who are tied for second and third place Southeast Warren.

“It always feels good to break the ice. We started off with Creston, Mount Ayr and Red Oak. They’re all three quality teams who have had a pretty good start to the season,” Nodaway Valley/OM head coach Dan Jameson said.

At the plate against East Union, Keyin Steeve tripled and drove in a run while Paul Berg did the same. Titan Foster had the other hit for NV/OM. The Wolverines often made contact but frequently hit right into the hands of the Eagles. Will Shilling pitched five innings, allowing two earned runs with six hits, five walks and four strikeouts.

“I think we had six strikeouts, but it seemed like more. We hit several balls right at at them. I think the first at-bat of the game, Titan smoked a line drive right to the shortstop and he didn’t even have to move his glove hardly. Some of the other guys had some nice strokes too, they just didn’t find a hole,” Jameson said.

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Wolverine junior Will Shilling winds a pitch against East Union Friday night in baseball action at Greenfield.

Stonebraker, Burwell named All-H10 soccer honorees

By Ryan Stonebraker
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A pair of Creston/NV girls soccer players were named to the 2025 Hawkeye 10 all-conference soccer team. Junior goalkeeper Lea Stonebraker was named to the second team while senior forward Olivia Burwell was named to the honorable mention team.

The Panthers had their best season in years, finishing the

season 5-12-2. The win total was the most since 2018 and was the third time since 2012 that they have had at least five wins.

Stonebraker becomes a two-time All-Hawkeye 10 pick after finishing as an honorable mention in 2024. Stonebraker emerged this season as one of the top goalkeepers



Burwell

ers in the conference and in Class 2A. She led the conference in saves (219) and was second in Class 2A with that save total behind Carroll High’s Marin Overmohle. Stonebraker logged 1,312 minutes, had 75 goals scored against her and a save percentage of 71.2%.



Stonebraker

Burwell proved to be invaluable for the Panthers and is an Iowa Central Community College signee. Though her future college position is likely on the defensive side of the pitch, Burwell scored six goals in 17 shots on goal and had 14 points for the Panthers this spring. She also recorded a pair of assists in the 14 games she started in.

Lewis Central won the Hawkeye 10 Conference title this spring with a perfect

7-0 record. Three Hawkeye 10 teams reached regional final matches — Lewis Central, Denison-Schleswig and St. Albert.

Creston graduates three seniors in Burwell, Alyssa Gerdes and Lillie Strode. Gerdes was the top goal scorer for Creston with seven goals in 10 shots on goal and 15 points. Strode, from Nodaway Valley, had a good season as well with a pair of goals and solid play.

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR ADAIR COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JESSE JUNIOR HESS, Deceased. CASE NO. ESPR009797
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Jesse Junior Hess, Deceased, who died on or about March 22, 2024:
You are hereby notified that on February 6, 2025, Jay Hess was appointed administrator of the estate.
Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated on June 2, 2025.
Jay Hess, Administrator of the Estate 2656 Highway 92 Greenfield, IA 50849
Michael D. Maynes, ICIS#: AT 004988 Attorney for the Administrator Maynes Law Office 164 Public Square, PO Box 32 Greenfield, Iowa 50849 Date of second publication: June 18, 2025
IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR ADAIR COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF

THE ESTATE OF PATSY C. JOHNSTON, DECEASED. PROBATE NO. ESPR009831
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To all persons interested in the Estate of Patsy C. Johnston, Deceased, who died on or about March 30, 2025:
You are hereby notified that on May 30, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Patsy C. Johnston, deceased, bearing the date of January 19, 2007, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Bobbi Williams, Patrick Lorenze and Lori Schwartz were appointed Executors of the Estate of Patsy C. Johnston. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the District Court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the Decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter for forever barred.
Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named District Court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated on this 4th day of June, 2025.
Executors of Estate: Bobbi Williams 402 SE 6th Street Greenfield, IA 50849 Patrick Lorenze 600 Eldon Dr. Lincoln, NE 68510 Lori Schwartz 523 E. Terrace Dr. Center Point, IA 52213
Attorney for Estate: David S. Grapentine Jensen & Grapentine PLC 110 Public Square P. O. Box 43 Greenfield, Iowa 50849 ID# AT0012544 Date of second publication: June 18, 2025
May 14, 2025
Board members present for regular session at 9:00 a.m. were: Baier, Christoffersen, Walker and Wedemeyer. Hoadley joined via conference call.
Also present: Mandy Berg, Jacob Joliet, Megan Pearson, Kristy Dahl Rogers, Grace Tobin, Mike Grigione, John Huff, Mandy Billings - KSOM and Jennifer Nichols - Atlantic News Telegraph joined via conference call.
All motions were approved unanimously unless noted otherwise.
AMENDMENT OF AGENDA - Moved by Wedemeyer and seconded by Walker to add a courtyard use permit to the agenda as it is time sensitive and to approve the courtyard use permit for Kinetic on May 19, 2024. Approved.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Walker and seconded by Christoffersen to approve the agenda

as posted. Approved.
MINUTES: Moved by Walker and seconded by Wedemeyer to approve the minutes from May 7, 2025. Approved.
CLAIMS: Moved by Wedemeyer and seconded by Walker to approve the following claims: Access Systems Service Contract/Phones.....\$279.77 Access Systems Leasing Courthouse Computer Lease.....\$1,136.15 Ace Hardware Greenfield Parts/Supplies/Seed& Fertilizer.....\$630.49 Adair Co Emergency Management 3 - 40 Ft Shipping Containers.....\$11,250.00 Adair Co Engineer Gas County Cars.....\$2,103.64 Adair Co Fair Board Community Program.....\$200.00 Adair Co Health System Jail Meals.....\$2,109.50 Adair Co Home Care Local Public Health Services Grant.....\$2,067.55 Agriland Fs Inc April Fuel.....\$55,171.75 Allendall Seed 3 Acres - Cp 25 Standard 30-10.....\$690.00 Alliant Energy - IES Intersection Lighting/Utilities.....\$971.59 Altec Industries Inc Parts.....\$751.81 Amazon Capital Services Paper Towels.....\$65.48 Ascendence Trucks, LLC Labor/Parts.....\$2,014.68 Auxiant HRA Ins Trust Claims.....\$1,814.84 Barco Municipal Products Inc Signs.....\$2,457.50 Bridgewater Tires & More

Service 1-1.....\$103.00 Brown's Heavy Equipment, Inc. Parts/Labor.....\$1,284.11 Business Forms & Systems Tax Statements Envelopes.....\$703.29 Cintas Uniforms, Mop & Mat Service.....\$102.09 Corporate Translation Services Language Link Spanish Translation.....\$25.25 Creston Publishing Company Bd Minutes, Semi Annual Report, Public Hearing Not.....\$1,247.37 Daughenbaugh, Cole Tire Labor/Tires.....\$5,455.00 District Iv Treasurer Registration Fee.....\$30.00 Dollar General Charge Sales Jail Supplies.....\$108.75 Fagan, Tom Township Meeting.....\$80.00 Farmers Electric Coop Intersection Lighting/ Electric.....\$843.06 Farmers Lumber Company Parts/Misc Shop.....\$4.00 Fastenal Company Fire Extinguisher/Signs For Fuel Areas.....\$504.36 Fontanelle City Utilities.....\$36.84 Fox Welding Co Shop Tools.....\$12.56 Frederick, Jim Township Meetings.....\$120.00 Frese, Stan Va Mileage.....\$338.80 Gatr Of Des Moines, Inc Parts #641.....\$242.27 Grantham Sanitation Trash Collection.....\$325.00 Greenfield Lumber Company Torx Lag Screws/Driver/ Boards.....\$66.16 Greenfield Municipal Utilities Utilities.....\$3,850.86

Housby Mack Inc Filters/Parts.....\$461.50 Ia Dept Public Safety Tty Line Rent Annual 2024-2025.....\$4,728.00 Ia Law Enforcement Academy 20 Hr Jail Inservice: Algreen, Armstrong, Defranci.....\$1,000.00 Iacvso Spring School.....\$75.00 Infomax Office Systems Recorder Copier Lease.....\$131.95 Iowa Communications Network ICN Line.....\$226.00 Iowa State University 2025 ICEA Mid-Year Conference.....\$125.00 Isac Group Dental Dental Ins.....\$300.66 Isac Group Health Program Health Ins.....\$5,126.00 Isac Group Vision Vision Ins.....\$49.28 Ita Group Holdings, Inc Resource Invitations.....\$105.42 Jensen, Randall Lo Showerhouse Spraying.....\$118.00 Larson, Melissa S., P.C. Building Rent, Office Eqt Rental, Mediacom.....\$2,134.13 Mail Services Llc Print & Postage.....\$397.94 Marco, Inc. Nw 7128 Maint Contract.....\$99.96 Mcmorran Lawn Services Lawn Mowing.....\$88.00 Mediacom Phone & Internet.....\$1,022.62 Metal Culvert - Union N32.....\$9,157.40 Midwest-Wheel Companies Mini Lightbars, Beacon Light.....\$715.63 Murphy Heavy Contracting Inc Lfm-Lbrw221-7x-01 W22 Lee Bridge.....\$21,508.54 Northland Products Co