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“When I was a junior [in high school], I figured out that I wanted to become a lineman,” said Wulf.

“I have taken a few job shadows at the Durant Municipal [Electric] and REC in Wilton.”

Claussen said he will be attending Northwest Iowa Community College in Sheldon, Iowa, to complete the 11-month program to become an electrical lineman.

“I decided to be a lineman because I thought that it was cool, and I’m not afraid of heights,” said Claussen. “And they make good money.”

Being an electrical lineman is a dangerous career. It’s no wonder why they get paid so well.

At one point or another, most linemen will find themselves hanging 40-plus feet in the air with only a fall arrest system keeping them there, according to interviews with the three seniors.

Not to mention the high voltage lines buzzing all around them.

“I am aware of the dangers, but there are dangers in every job, so I’m not really worried about it,” said Claussen.

Of course, there are safety precau-

tions set in place, but linemen also have to keep in mind that any mistake they make could be fatal.

These seniors are up for the challenge.

“Being a lineman comes with a risk, and risk is rewarded,” said Badtram. That statement shows true in a lineman’s paycheck.

Electrical lineman can make anywhere from \$40,000-\$360,000 a year depending on their position, the tasks, location, and severity of the job itself, according to interviews with the seniors.



”In reality you get paid as much as you want to work. Just depends on how ambitious you are,” said Wulf.

All three seniors have hopes of making a lineman their lifelong career.



”I would like to be a lineman for a long period of time and hopefully one day work my way to a foreman or even a supervisor,” said Badtram.

The scarcity of power is only going to get worse until another option is found, but even then, one thing is certain.



Linemen will be needed as long as power is wanted.





Avery,
We’re so very proud of the nice, young lady you’ve become. We cannot wait to see what the next chapter has in store for you. Your hard work and dedication will take you everywhere. Congrats, we love you!
Mom & Dad





Your greatest adventure is about to begin. Enjoy the journey!
Proud beyond measure.
Love, Dad, Mom, & Kate



Congratulations, Savannah,
To say we are proud of you would be an understatement. You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and smarter than you think. Your greatest adventure is about to begin at ISU. You have the strength to conquer anything that comes your way! We love you!
Your family.



Kierra,
Be proud of all you have accomplished and have faith in what the future holds for you! We are so proud of you and love you so much!
Love, Dad and Mom




As you grow older, you will face many challenges in life. Just do your best. Everyday may not be good but find good in everyday. Follow your dreams. Believe in yourself.



New things can be scary but often turn out wonderful. Enjoy this time as you start out on this new journey!
We love you,
Mom, Dad, and Emily





Congratulations, Addison!
We are so proud of all the things you have accomplished and look forward to all the great things in your future. Good luck next year at UNI.



Alyssa,
Congratulations on graduating! Mom and Dad are so proud of you. We are excited to see where life takes you and all the things you will accomplish.





Congratulations, Collier!
We are so proud of you and can’t wait to see what unfolds for you in the future!
Love, Mom & Dad





We are so proud of you and everything you’ve accomplished. We can’t wait to see what else is in store for you after graduation!
Love,
Mom and Dad





Congrats, Macyn!
We are so amazed at what you have accomplished and can’t wait to see what your future holds.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Cooper, Emryk, and Eisley



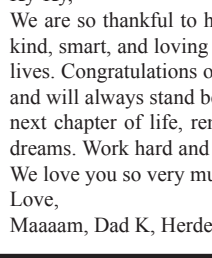

We can’t wait to see you excel at Wartburg. Stay focused and you can achieve anything you want. We are so very proud of you!




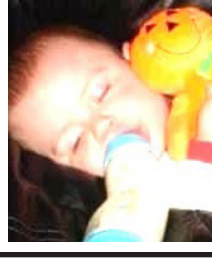
The world needs who you were made to be. We are very proud of you, Madeline!
Love,
Mom & Dad



Go confidently in the directions of your dreams. Live the life you’ve imagined. We are so proud of you and can’t wait for the next adventure in your life.
Love,
Mom and Dad



Ky-Ky,
We are so thankful to have you as a part of our family. Watching you grow into a kind, smart, and loving young woman has been one of the greatest blessings of our lives. Congratulations on completing high school!! We are all beyond proud of you and will always stand beside you throughout all of life’s chapters. As you enter this next chapter of life, remember that you have the power to create the life of your dreams. Work hard and never give up on yourself as we will never give up on you. We love you so very much.
Love,
Maaaaam, Dad K, Herdez, Da Guck, Da Penguin, Buffalo B, Da Cricket and Cecil.



Remember never give up, stay weird, be kind, and if you are the smartest person in the room, then you are in the wrong room.
Love,
Mom, Dad, and Jocelynn