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Duncan Slick gets a look at his "bunk bed" as his mother, Tiffany, looks on and his younger brother, Beau, points to his pillow during the reveal of their bedrooms after Heavenly Days Dream Rooms volunteers finished their work at the farmhouse.

## City will hire director for public works

City Council says position will help improve communications

By **BOB FENSKE**  
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New Hampton's City Council decided last week that it would eschew hiring a new street superintendent and, instead, will create a public works director position.

The idea, Councilman Bruce Diiro said, was that having someone oversee the street, wastewater and water departments would help with communication and also help the city deal with the retirements of longtime department directors.

### COUNCIL REJECTS PLANNING AND ZONING RECOMMENDATION.

Street Superintendent Junior Mai will work his last day this Friday after 43

years of service, Wastewater Superintendent Tim Angell is retiring at the end of the year and Water Superintendent Jerry Heying is just a few years away from being able to turn in his key.

"We think this will improve communication between all three departments," Diiro said, "and at the same time, we're facing a problem at the Wastewater Treatment Plant when Tim goes. Finding a replacement, a Grade IV, is going to be incredibly difficult."

Diiro said New Hampton is one of the few cities its size that needs a Grade IV operator for its plant.

"Because of the industries we have here, and that's a very good thing," Diiro said, "we need more technical expertise, and Grade IVs are hard, hard to find."

The city has been in contact with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and has received permission to operate the plant with a Grade III operator, which Heying has obtained, as long as it has a plan to train a new employee to become a Grade IV operator.

Councilman Bob Boos spoke out against the

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# STUNNING, AMAZING ROOMS

LOCAL VOLUNTEERS 'REVEAL' BEDROOMS TO FAMILY THAT HAS BEEN THROUGH SO MUCH

By **BOB FENSKE**  
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Duncan Slick climbed the ladder to the top of his loft barn, saw the John Deere blanket, the John Deere stuffed toy tractor and the tractor pillowcase.

The little 4-year-old stopped for a second and took it all in.

"Oh my God," he said with about the biggest smile a 4-year-old can flash, and the folks in his bedroom on the Slick farmstead southeast of Fredericksburg ... well, they swallowed hard and tried to fight back the tears.

It was that kind of Saturday

afternoon at the home of Tiffany Slick and her two sons, Duncan and Beau, as Heavenly Days Dream Rooms "revealed" the bedrooms that were "redone" by the organization's volunteers for a family that lost its husband and father when Sean Slick died on Aug. 4 from injuries suffered in a car accident.

Saturday, though, was simply beautiful.

The Slick boys — Sean's "pride and joys" — first got a look at a new toy room on the first floor of the two-story house. And then it

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## Service clubs celebrate their park partnership

Parks and Rec Department also unveils its new pool playground

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There was no "rumble" between members of the New Hampton Lions Club and Rotary Club last Wednesday; instead the two service clubs gathered at the edge of Mikkelson Park to celebrate a partnership.

Numerous members from each club were on hand to dedicate the New Hampton TRIBE Trail Head Gazebo that they helped build.

"It's a beautiful gazebo and just another great addition to one of the best city parks you're going to find anywhere," Mayor Bobby Schwickerath said before conducting the ceremonial ribbon cutting. "It's a great example of what we can do together."

The Rotary Club raised the money to build the gazebo. New Hampton members matched the \$4,000 grant the Rotary District 5970 made to the project, and members of the Lions, with a help from a couple of Rotary members, constructed the structure.

Following the ribbon cutting, some members

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Photo courtesy of Randy Mitchell

## A quintessential Iowa story

Look closely at the aerial shot taken by Randy Mitchell and you'll see four combines at work in fields near New Hampton as area farmers rallied behind Roger and Elaine Lenehan and helped the couple harvest their soybean crop on a perfect fall day this past week.

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# City Council decides public works director position worth pursuing

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position, saying the city can't afford to hire a public works director who only does administrative duties and also questioning the communications issues.

"It's not these three departments," he said. "It's other departments that are butting heads."

Diirro agreed that the new public works director would need to be a "working manager," especially when it comes to the street department, but he added that he'd like to see more city workers cross trained.

"We're at the 11th hour, and this is just one idea, but we have to come up with a plan," Diirro said.

Boos, though, wondered what those who had applied for the street superintendent position — applications for that position closed on Oct. 2, just three days before the City Council meeting — would think.

"We'd definitely would let them know and they could re-apply for this," Councilman Matt Kuhn said. "I think this is a good idea, especially as it gets more and more complex. Having all three of these departments on the same page is important."

In the end, the council unanimously approved the position, and asked later in the week why he voted in favor of the motion, Boos said he knew he couldn't win.

"I am not a fan of big changes and have my reservations about this position," he said, "but it's not just me to think of and maybe my personal thought process needs to give it a chance."

The city will contact those who applied for the street superintendent's position and ask them if they are interested in the new position.

"It's just three extra weeks," Diirro said, "and I think we can make that work."



Duncan Slick shows his mom, Tiffany, a photo of "you and Daddy" as Heavenly Days Dream Rooms' Beth Henningsen looks on during the "reveal" of Tiffany's and her sons' rooms Saturday afternoon.



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New Hampton City Councilman Cory McDonald (right) makes a point as Mayor Bobby Schwickerath and City Clerk Karen Clemens listen during Monday's meeting.

## Mom grateful for work done by volunteers

**HEAVENLY DAYS: FROM 1**

was time for 2-year-old Beau to see his room, one that came with a John Deere tractor bed and farm animals painted on the walls by a man named Anton Tomash with Kustom Garage Arts.

And after Duncan's room was revealed, the family opened the door to "mommy's room."

"Oh my gosh, Beth, it's beautiful," Tiffany said to the Nashua resident Beth Henningsen, who helped plan and organize the project.

Duncan then saw the picture on a dresser and said, "Look, Mommy, it's you and Daddy."

A couple of minutes later, the little boys who have gone through much made another discovery in their mother's room. There on the window sill sat a cardinal.

"It's Daddy."

For a moment, Tiffany Slick was overcome with emotion. Then again, so was everyone else in that room.

"It's absolutely stunning, it's beautiful and I'm very, very thankful for all the volunteers that help do all this," she said a few minutes later. "Beth asked me the themes, but that was it. I had no idea it would turn out like this. I'm speechless, grateful, thankful. To know that so many people care about us, about the boys, that's what has helped us keep going."

Henningsen wore a "Be Inspired" shirt, and maybe that choice of clothing was the perfect way to describe this project.



Beth Henningsen and Tiffany Slick (above) share a long embrace after her son, Duncan (below), finds a cardinal in his mom's newly-remodeled room.

"So many people came together to do this," she said, "and we really hoped it would be special for Tiffany and the boys. What she's going through, what they're going through, we just wanted to help. We wanted it to be different."

"And meaningful." Trust us, it was. Tiffany Slick said so. "They just captured so much of the boys' personalities," she said, "and with all the little things — the cardinal, the wall sayings — they really honored all the good memories we have of Sean."



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# Dismissed Public Health Board member's public hearing postponed

Johnson will have a chance to defend accusations during meeting that will be held at the Chickasaw County Community Services Building

By **BOB FENSKE**  
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The man who was dismissed from the Chickasaw County Board of Health will have his "day in court" but it won't be this Wednesday, when it was originally scheduled.

The public hearing was to be held at 4:30 p.m. this Wednesday at

the Chickasaw County Community Services Building, but on Friday afternoon, County Auditor Joan Knoll, who serves as the Board of Supervisors' secretary, announced that the hearing had been postponed.

On Sunday, Johnson said the hearing was off because of a possible COVID-19 exposure, and that he hopes the hearing will take place next

Wednesday, Oct. 21.

Johnson's fellow Board of Health members voted 3-0 to recommend his removal from the board, but in August, a motion to remove him failed when supervisors turned it down 3-2.

On Sept. 8, though, the Board of Supervisors, after meeting in closed session, voted 3-2 to remove Johnson. Jacob Hackman, David Tilkes and

Tim Zoll voted for Johnson's dismissal while Steve Geerts and Jason Byrne voted against the resolution. Zoll had originally voted not to dismiss Johnson during the August meeting.

According to the agenda for the meeting, it will consist of four "segments."

First, will be the presentation of evidence and reason against removal and

in support of reinstatement that will be limited to 30 minutes.

Second, there will be 30 minutes allowed for public comment in favor or against removal.

Third, the supervisors will deliberate, and finally, there will be possible action to "reverse removal and reinstate Johnson to the Board of Health."



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With members of the New Hampton Lions Club (left) and New Hampton Rotary Club (right) looking on, Mayor Bobby Schwickerath cuts the ribbon during the dedication for the TRIBE Trail Head Gazebo in Mikkelson Park, where Myles Hackman (below) checks out the new playground that was installed at the New Hampton Municipal Pool.

## Pool playground funded by donations and grants

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took part in the Healthiest State Walk around the newly-poured trail around Mikkelson and others visited the playground that was installed at the New Hampton Municipal Pool.

The playground replaced a wooden deck that was little used at the pool, and the \$25,000 project was funded by donations and grants from Black Hills Energy,

Community Insurance of Iowa, the Hotel-Motel Tax Committee and the Community Foundation, as well as a donation in memory of Phyllis Patrie.

"It's just a nice little corner of the pool," Parks and Recreation Program Director Tara Hackman said. "It's amazing how much playground equipment is, but we like the way it turned out. It's going to be a fun little spot for our younger kids when they're at the pool."

Hackman added that with the Park Board's decision to close the pool this past summer because of COVID-19, it did give the department a chance to not only install the playground but also do some maintenance.

"We know people were disappointed that the pool wasn't open," she said, "and we totally get that, but this is hopefully something that will get people excited for our season next summer."



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The last few months have been very strange for all of us in many and various ways.

Everyone is trying to figure out how to navigate the COVID-19 crisis and all that goes with it.

It's no exception for churches and church leaders. I'm in an online pastors' discussion group, and someone said, "Nothing in my training or experience prepared me for leading a church through a pandemic and shutdown like we're seeing." Everyone in the group agreed.

If you're part of a church or have thought about checking out church, what do you do now? It's especially difficult because the "experts" give conflicting and confusing information about how the virus spreads, what practices actually help slow the spread and what protocols are right when we

reopen.

The good news is that the churches of our area are doing their best to reach out and to continue the important ministry of worship in whatever way they can. Most of us are putting worship and other ministries online for those who can't attend live services, and more and more are offering live worship and teaching as well.

Nobody can tell you exactly when you should resume participation in live worship or just what protocols you should observe. But I can tell you that it is important that you stay connected with the people of God in whatever way you can.

I've heard many people say, "I don't need the church to be a Christian." I suppose it's true if you mean you can hang onto your faith by a thread and hope for heaven when you die. But if you intend to be an effective,

growing, joyful and vibrant Christian, you do need the church. You need the support system, the variety of spiritual gifts, the regular seasons of worship, the deeper teaching and a myriad of other things that only happen when God's people gather and stay connected.

All of us have lost some connections during the shutdowns and changes of the last few months. For the most part, we needed to abide the changes for the sake of the most vulnerable. But don't let the changes become permanent. Long for the time when we can worship together and lift up our voices, long for the time when we can share life face-to-face, long for the strength that comes from shared faith.

That longing for connection will be answered. It may take time, it may involve some risk, it may happen differently than



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it used to, but we will soon be the gathered, worshipping people of God once again.

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• **Manage your withdrawal rate carefully.** You will likely need to tap into your retirement accounts – your IRA and 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored plan. But you should establish an annual withdrawal rate that's appropriate for your situation. By withdrawing too much each year, especially in the early years of your retirement, you risk outliving your resources. You may want to consult with a financial professional to determine the withdrawal amount that's right for you. (Keep in mind, though, that once you turn 72, you will be required to take out at least a certain amount each year – based on your age and account balance – from your traditional IRA and 401(k) or similar plan.)

• **Don't underestimate health care costs.** Once you turn 65, you will be eligible for Medicare, but you may still need a Medicare supplement plan and will probably also incur other expenses. In fact, a healthy 65-year-old couple who retired in 2019 will need nearly \$390,000 over their remaining years just to pay for health care, according to Health View Services, which produces health-care cost projection software. Other estimates show different amounts, but they all amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars. So, when calculating your expenses during your retirement years, reserve a big space for health care.

• **Don't take Social Security too early.** You can start receiving monthly Social Security checks when you reach age 62, but your payments will generally be significantly larger if you wait until your "full" retirement age, which will probably be between 66 and 67. (The size of

your payments will "max out" at age 70.) Of course, if you need the money at 62, you may have to take it, but if you believe you have longevity working in your favor, and you can afford to wait, you may be better off by delaying Social Security as long as possible.)

• **Don't invest too conservatively.** Once you're retired, you might think that you should take as few chances as possible with your investments – after all, you simply have less time for them to bounce back from a downturn than you did during your working years. Nonetheless, it's important to own a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments to help keep you ahead of inflation. Even at a low rate, which we've experienced recently, inflation can erode your purchasing power over time.

• **Don't be more generous than you can afford.** If you have grown children who need financial help, or grandchildren heading to college someday, you'd no doubt like to do whatever you can to provide assistance. However, the hard truth is they simply have more time than you do to find workable financial solutions, whereas if you deplete your funds through your generosity, you could put yourself in a precarious position. So, be as giving as you can afford – but don't go beyond that. By preserving your financial independence, you'll end up benefiting your family, as well.

Retirement can be a wonderful time of your life – and you may enjoy it more by doing what you can to avoid costly financial mistakes.

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## Coming together for a new playground at Turkey Valley

The Turkey Valley Elementary students were excited to return to school to find a large portion of their old playground had been replaced with a brand new one. This project was made possible by many years of fundraising at the Little Trojan Relays, Box Top and label collections and other various events in past years.

The Turkey Valley Education Foundation (TVEF) helped fund this with a \$10,000 donation toward the project.

The Lawler Lions, led by Roger Dreckman, graciously volunteered time, equipment and expertise to install the playground over the summer.

Other key volunteers included head custodian Joe Pinter, elementary playground committee members, some high school students and various community members.

Photos courtesy of Jean Rosonke



## Briefs

### Staff PD, conferences will give New Hampton students two days off

New Hampton Community Schools and St. Joseph Community School students will get an extra day tacked onto their weekend on Monday, Oct. 19.

Classes at both school districts will not be held as teachers and staff will be working on professional development.

Classes will also not be held on Friday, Oct. 30 because parent-teacher conferences will be held that week. Students will be dismissed an hour early on both Monday and Thursday of that week for the conferences.

### Mobile Food Bank to make monthly stop in New Hampton Thursday

The Northeast Iowa Mobile Food Bank will make its monthly stop in Chickasaw County at Trinity Lutheran Church this Thursday.

Residents interested in volunteering are asked to report to the church at 4 p.m.

As in past months during the COVID-19 pandemic, all items will be pre-packaged and delivered to cars in the Trinity parking lot.

### Chickasaw County area can't shake drought status

The lack of rain in recent weeks has kept Chickasaw County "abnormally dry," according to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor report that was released late last week.

The National Weather Service office in La Crosse, Wis., said most of the county has had a rain deficit of 3.75 inches since July 1.

The good news is that the dry weather did allow farmers throughout the area to make headway on the harvest with many farmers bringing in more than 50 percent of their corn and soybeans.

### ISU Extension to host turfgrass applicators course Nov. 4

The Chickasaw County ISU Extension office will host an Ornamental and Turfgrass Applicators Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for commercial pesticide applicators Wednesday, Nov. 4.

The local attendance site is the Chickasaw County Extension Office. Due to social distancing requirements pre-registration is required. The course runs for 2.5 hours and will be shown from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and again at 1 to 3:30 p.m.

The registration fee is \$35 on or before Oct. 28 and \$45 after Oct. 28. To register, contact Lynn Bruess at 641-394-2174.

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Patricia and Michael Shalks

### Shalks 50th anniversary

Michael and Patricia (Gebel) Shalks celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this past Saturday.

They were married on Oct. 10, 1970, at Immaculate Conception Church in North Washington.

Their family includes three daughters, Stephanie (James) Quigley of Bourbonnais, Illinois, Jennifer (Kit) Passwater of Ottawa, Illinois, and Michelle Brosseau of South Elgin, Illinois; 17 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Pat is a retired secretary who enjoys gardening and adding to her extensive hosta collection.

Mike is a retired machinist who likes to play ice hockey and golf.

The couple currently reside in Grant Park, Illinois.



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LOCATION OF THE SALE SHALL BE: Dr. Z's Auto Clinic, 1663 110th Street, Alta Vista, IA 50603

The Vehicle is available for inspection at the above address and will be available for inspection at the time of auction.

Sale shall be by no reserve public auction and the successful bidder shall receive an affidavit of sale to satisfy artisan's lien which will permit them to obtain a title to the vehicle. The owner of said property may redeem the property up to the time of sale by payment of the debt outstanding at any time. In the event of a redemption the sale shall be cancelled.



Patricia and Vince Tenge

### Tenge 60th anniversary

Vince and Patricia Tenge will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary this Sunday.

The couple was married on Oct. 18, 1960, at Immaculate Conception Church in North Washington.

The Tenges' have five children – Gary (Brenda) Tenge, Teresa (Pat) Gleason, Tammy (Steve) Flick, Todd (Maelynn) Tenge and Jason (Denelle) Tenge. They also have 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Cards can be sent to the Tenges at 100 170th St., New Hampton, IA, 50659. A family get together is being planned at a later date.

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## Online Poll

Our online voters were all over the spectrum with last week's poll as 31 percent felt Democrat Joe Biden won the first presidential debate, 24 percent gave the nod to President Trump, 35 percent called the debate a "total embarrassment" and 9 percent said they did not watch it. This week our poll is taking a look once again at the U.S. Senate race in Iowa. Vote today online at nhtrib.com.

## Almanac

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Monday	69	38	--
Tuesday	77	46	--
Wednesday	72	44	--
Thursday	70	47	--
Friday	84	55	--
Saturday	72	51	--
Sunday	77	58	--

## Forecast

**Tuesday:** Mostly sunny with a high of 66 and a low of 43.  
**Wednesday:** Mostly cloudy with winds increasing; high 70, low 38.  
**Thursday:** Mostly sunny but colder; high 50, low 30.  
**Friday:** Mostly sunny but dress warm for playoff football; high 46, low 28.  
**Early weekend forecast:** Mostly sunny both days with highs near 50 and lows dropping into the 20s both nights; in other words, fall is here.

## History

- In 1792, the cornerstone is laid for a presidential residence in the newly designated capital city of Washington.
- In 1943, the government of Italy declares war on its former Axis partner Germany and joins the battle on the side of the Allies.
- In 1967, the Anaheim Amigos lose to the Oakland Oaks, 134-129, in the inaugural game of the American Basketball Association.
- In 1775, the Continental Congress authorizes construction and administration of the first American naval force — the precursor to the United States Navy.
- In 2010, the last of 33 miners trapped nearly half a mile underground for more than two months at a caved-in mine in northern Chile, are rescued.

## Birthdays

- The late British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was born in 1925.
- Hall of Fame wide receiver Jerry Rice turns 58.
- Singer Marie Osmond turns 61.
- Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones turns 78.
- Singer Paul Simon turns 79.

## Corrections

• The Tribune wants to make sure all information it presents is accurate and correct. If you see an error, please call Editor Bob Fenske at 641-394-2111.

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## Phyllis Scott Carlin, 70

Phyllis Scott Carlin, age 70 of Waverly, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2020, at her home in Waverly.

Phyllis was born on Oct. 23, 1949, in Kirksville, Missouri, the daughter of Lando Edwin and Blanche LaVera (Motter) Scott.

She graduated from Kirksville High School; attended Truman State University and received her MA and PhD from Southern Illinois University.

She was united in marriage to Charles James Carlin on August 2, 1980 at the First United Methodist Church in Waterloo. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend.

Phyllis, a professor of communications, taught at UNI for 39 years, retiring in 2015. She was a member of the National Communication Association, PEO and founded the UNI Interpreters Theater. Phyllis was a much loved and respected teacher at UNI in the Communication Department for 39 years. Students appreciated her well researched knowledge, and her personal interest in their projects and career paths.

As a UNI professor, Phyllis researched and published articles in language analysis, family stories, the farm crisis, disaster narratives, and topics in performance studies.

Phyllis was a caring and humble leader who displayed respect and wisdom to her family, students, colleagues and United Methodist Church members.

Phyllis is survived by her husband, Charles Carlin of Waverly; two daughters, Laura (Luke) Brady of Edgewood and Sarah Carlin of Waverly; four grandsons, Landon, Leo, Lenny and Lazlo Brady; a sister, Lois (John) Davidson of LaPlata,



Phyllis Carlin

Missouri; sisters-in-law, Pat (Gary) Johnson of Manchester; Kathleen Millington Drake of Rochester, Minnesota; and Dorothy Carlin of New Hampton; and a brother-in-law, Dan Carlin of Rosemont, Minnesota.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Lando and LaVera Scott; her grandparents, Sam and Blanche Motter; Michael Carlin, Genevieve Carlin, and Theresa Carlin.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10, 2020, at Trinity United Methodist Church in Waverly. Burial was held in St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery in Waverly.

Visitation was held on Friday from 4 to 7 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church and also for one hour prior to services on Saturday at the church.

Memorials may be directed to Trinity United Methodist Church, Waverly or to the UNI Communication Department Scholarship in the name of Dr. Phyllis Scott Carlin. Online condolences may be left at www.kaisercorson.com.

Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in Waverly is assisting with the family.

## Grant W. Pacovsky, 79

Grant W. Pacovsky, loving husband and father, passed away at the age of 79, on Friday, Sept. 25, 2020, at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota.

Grant donated his body to the Mayo Clinic School of Research.

There will be a celebration of life held at a later date for friends and family.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

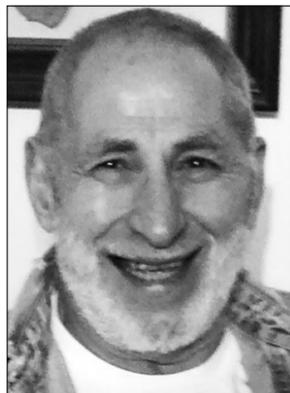
Grant was born March 9, 1941 in Howard County, Iowa to Grant and Edith (Mlady) Pacovsky. He was raised on a farm in Waucoma, where his passion for the outdoors, cars and horses began.

On March 26, 1961, he married Kay Joann Timm. They built their home together and raised four children — Jeff, Lisa, Tracy and Michael — on an acreage north of New Hampton.

Grant was an avid hunter and fisherman. He enjoyed the outdoors, often foraging for morel mushrooms and tending to wildlife.

He had many skills and talents including but not limited to plumbing, electrical, construction and mechanics, all skills that he passed down to his children.

Many may remember him for his black powder shoots, rides in his Triumph TR3 and invitations to join him at the casino. Experiencing Las Vegas with family was one of his



Grant Pacovsky

favorite trips. He was known for his hospitality and quick wit. He also had great gratitude for his healthcare team.

Grant is survived by his children, Jeff Pacovsky of Fredericksburg, Lisa (Mark) Ollendieck of Cresco, Tracy Pacovsky of Waterloo, and Michael (Jackie) Pacovsky of Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin; grandchildren, Amanda (Larry), Jessica, Heather, Sadie, Owen and Olivia; step-grandchildren, Cody (Trista), Ashleigh (Gavin) and Megan (Noah); brother Melvin (Jan) Pacovsky, sister, Darlene Foster; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Kay (Timm) Pacovsky, parents, Grant and Edith (Mlady) Pacovsky; and brother, Frankie Pacovsky.

## Marlys Fober, 79

Marlys Fober, age 79 of Sumner, died Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2020, at Community Memorial Hospital in Sumner.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, 2020, at the United Methodist Church in Fredericksburg with interment in Greenwood Cemetery, Nashua. Friends greeted the family from 1 to 2 p.m. on Friday, prior to the service at the church in Fredericksburg.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in Fredericksburg was entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences for the Fober family may be left at hugebackfuneralhome.com.

The family of Virginia Reicks would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy through your prayers, memorial gifts, flowers and food donations.

A special thank you to Father Nick Radloff for celebrating the Mass of Resurrection, Bob Huinker for the beautiful music and Pat Lynch for leading the Rosary and for the many visits. Words cannot express our deep appreciation for their pastoral care. Virginia's strong faith was reflected through the funeral service.

A sincere thank you to Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home for their guidance and comfort at this difficult time while she prepared the journey home.

Thank you to the staff and personnel at New Hampton Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and St. Croix Hospice. Your comfort and care will never be forgotten.

The family of Virginia Reicks

## Robert Joseph Hauer, 69

Robert Joseph Hauer, age 69, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 8, 2020, surrounded by his family.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Bob is survived by his wife, Barb of Waucoma; children, Kurt (Beatrice) Hauer of Hobbs, New Mexico, and Sarah (Mike) Charbon of Tiffin; grandchildren, Matthew and Madeline Charbon and Allyson and Alexander Hauer; sisters, Marilyn Hauer of Iowa City, Cathy Sands of Chico, California, and Dorothy (Clair) Huber of New Hampton; and nephew Jason Sands.

He was preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Bill Sands.

Bob was born on Jan. 19, 1951, the son of Conrad and Elaine Hauer. He was an adventurer in his younger years, starting as preteen when he rode his bicycle from Waucoma to West Union without the knowledge of his parents.

He also liked to defend himself while telling the story of how he climbed the farm's silo



Bob Hauer

to get a better look at a tornado by saying the tornado was moving away from the farm. Much to his parents' chagrin, he also climbed the silo to plant a pirate flag.

He continued his adventures while attending UNI, where he was on the gymnastic team. Summers while in college he would travel by hitchhiking, to, among other places, Yellowstone, Arizona and Texas.

He also spent time in Florida, where he was employed as a personal trainer. One of his favorite things to brag about, with a twinkle in his eye, was that he kayaked from the Gulf of Mexico to the Atlantic Ocean.

When Bob married the love of his life, Barb Hayes, in 1976, he settled down and they raised two children, Kurt and Sarah, who were the center of his universe.

Bob worked at a variety of jobs, including teaching, construction and landscaping, but his favorite job was when he organized the Northeast Area Tumbling Organization (NEATO) and taught tumbling to two generations of students. He was a master gardener and worked for the Chickasaw County Extension Service, giving advice to those in need and holding "bug camps" for young kids.

He also was the owner/operator of Hauer Landscape and Maintenance, and his work graced the homes of many gardens in Northeast Iowa.

## Mark Earl Frein, 89

Mark Earl Frein, age 89 of Nashua, died Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020, at the Evans Memorial Home in Cresco.

A private family funeral service took place on Saturday, Oct. 10, 2020, at the Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel with the Rev. Tom Heathershaw presiding. Interment followed in Calvary Cemetery, Charles City with military rites by the Nashua V.F.W. Post. There was no public visitation.

Online condolences for the Frein family may be left at hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Mark Earl Frein son of Matthias (Matt) and Marie (Majewski) Frein was born April 15, 1931, in Greene.

He was baptized and made his First Communion at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Greene. He was confirmed at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Nashua.

He went to country school at Pleasant Grove No. 1 and graduated from the Charles City High School in 1949.

He served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict (1953-1955) in Austria



Mark Frein

and Germany. He genuinely enjoyed serving his country driving truck and received a National Defense Service Medal and a Good Conduct Medal. After being honorably discharged on Jan. 14, 1955, he returned to farming.

He married Rose Shileny on Nov. 30, 1957, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Charles City.

He was raised on the land and enjoyed farming taking his part in feeding God's people. His son John started farming

with him in 1988.

He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Nashua.

Living family members include his loving wife of 62 years, Rose; three children, John (Kim) Frein of Charles City, Lisa (Glen) Pietan of Elma, and Lora (Mark) Shores of Protivin; eight grandchildren, Matt (Emily Mohring) Frein, Calvin Frein, Elizabeth (Kyle) Balk, Ed (Aimee) Pietan, Emily (Austin Klimesh) Pietan, Emmitt Pietan, Nicholas Shores, and Lily Shores; eight great-grandchildren, Kate, Kora, Owen, Killian, Braxten, Isabella, Ella, and Sawyer; brother, Ed Frein of Charles City; sisters, Sister Lucy Frein R.S.M. and Sister Gladys Frein R.S.M., both of Cedar Rapids; and many nieces, nephews, other family, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Don Frein; his brother-in-law, Elmer Mallory; his sister, Vonita Mallory; his sister-in-law, Anna Mae Frein; nephew, David Mallory; and nieces, Cecelia (Mallory) Leavens and Jill (Frein) Knoll.

## Dustin James Ruth, 23

Dustin James Ruth, age 23 of Alta Vista, died Sunday, Oct. 4, 2020, at his home.

A memorial service is being planned for a date yet to be determined at The Bridge Church in Charles City, with the Rev. Rob Williams III presiding.

Per Dustin's request he donated many of his vital organs to the Iowa Donor Network which will allow Dustin to help many people who are in need of live saving donations.

Dustin James Ruth was born on Aug. 23, 1997, and his parents included Richard and Audrey Drewelow and William and Teresa Ruth.

He grew up in Nashua and attended Nashua-Plainfield schools until middle school, when he moved to New Hampton, where he attended New Hampton High School. He played football and was a wrestler, but he was most at home in the outdoors, especially when he was fishing with his grandpa.

One night, he met his roommate's older sister, Marique Andringa, and Dustin's life changed for the better. Yes, Marique was much older than him — she had two sons who were almost Dustin's age — but Marique loved that Dustin was so caring and outgoing. He, in



Dustin Ruth

short, made her feel special.

The couple was married on Christmas Eve 2018, and they made their home in Alta Vista. Dustin worked at the AV gas station for a year and most recently was working construction. He was also a proud member of the Alta Vista Fire Department.

Dustin loved to fish and hunt. He also enjoyed playing video, board and card games. Every Wednesday night, he played cards with the fellas.

When it came to video games, Dustin was a pro; if he wasn't playing them, he was watching videos on how to "beat" the games.

## Gilbert A. Winter, 84

Gilbert A. Winter, age 84 of New Hampton and formerly of Waucoma, died Saturday, Oct. 10, 2020, at the New Hampton Nursing and Rehabilitation

Center of natural causes.

A private family Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, at St. Mary's Catholic church, Waucoma, with the

Rev. Nick Radloff celebrating the Mass.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton is assisting the family.

## Dorothy A. Dorn, 91

Dorothy A. Dorn, age 91 of New Richland, Minnesota, died Friday, Oct. 9, 2020, at New Hampton Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Funeral Services are pending with Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in Waucoma, and for more information, call 563-776-6171. Online condolences for the Dorn family may be left at hugebackfuneralhome.com.

## Eular Mae Harris, 77

Eular Mae Harris, age 77 of Waterloo, died peacefully, Sunday, Oct. 11, 2020, at her home.

Private family services will be held at a later date. Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in New Hampton has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences for the Harris family may be left at hugebackfuneralhome.com.

## Jean Audrey Weigand, 93

Jean Audrey Weigand, 93, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020, at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center in Mason City with family at her bedside.

Due to Covid-19, a private family service will be held. Interment will be at Greenwood Cemetery in Nashua.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in Nashua has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences for the Weigand family may be left at hugebackfuneralhome.com.

## News Bits From Our Past

### Wee of Oct. 11 1945 (75 years ago)

A business transaction has been made whereby Gerald T. Murphy, Abstractor of this city, has purchased the R.F. Faragher Abstract business effective January 1, 1946. Mr. Faragher was successor to the A.B. Harris Abstract business a number of years ago, at the time of the death of Frank Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Murphy entered the abstract business a number of years ago and have been very successful. We wish them continued success.

- Veterans returning from every theatre of war can look to Security State Bank in New Hampton with assurance for friendly understanding, accurate information, experienced council and direct assistance in all money matters.

If the plan is to reestablish a business or start a new one, buy or improve a home or farm, or for any money problem of any kind, stop in and see the friendly staff at Security State Bank, who will help every veteran carry their plans on a sound, financial basis.

### 1970 (50 years ago)

- Mrs. Marie Hurd of New Hampton takes the lead in the Subscription Drive being conducted by the New Hampton Newspapers as tabulation after the first three reports finds most of the candidates bunched near the top. Mrs. Hurd had just enough votes to edge out Mrs. Robert Busta of rural Lawler and Lucille Schluetter of North Washington, for the top spot.

The candidates are working hard with their eye on the \$1,000 cash prize. The worker bringing in most new subscriptions during the campaign will receive a \$50 bonus.

- Mr. Glen Wilkins, the Culligan man for the Chickasaw County area, presented Mrs. Virgil Denner of rural New Hampton with a Mark 5-9 Culligan Automatic Water Conditioner. Mrs. Denner had registered at the Culligan booth at the National Dairy Cattle Congress held recently in Waterloo.

- Dan's Maindiner restaurant in New Hampton underwent a remodeling recently. The project included painting the upper walls a light Monet blue and the installation of barn board paneling on the lowest portion of the walls. New booths, upholstered in turquoise vinyl, with white tables and new stools were also installed.

There is seating space for 78 in the restaurant. In addition, the entrance of the building was renovated with a new door moved slightly to the right. Dan Harmon is the owner-operator of the establishment.

### 1995 (25 years ago)

- At the centennial convention of the National Newspaper Association held recently in the twin cities, the New Hampton Newspapers received a second place award for Community Service and Honorable Mention for Best Advertising among newspapers with a circulation of 5,000 or under. 1995 marks the 100th year of service to the newspaper industry for the National Newspaper Association. Newspapers of all sizes from throughout the country belong, including the New Hampton Newspapers.

### 2010 (10 years ago)

- Hannah Heit loves animals and it shows. The fifth-grader spent a good portion of her summer making and selling bracelets at her family's cabin near Lansing and has used the proceeds to purchase dog food, snacks, leashes, collars and shampoo for the local Spay and Neuter All Pets (SNAP) chapter.

Hannah began work as a SNAP volunteer. She spent several days walking dogs being cared for by the organization and she is also a volunteer at Countryside Vet, where she walks dogs who are in its care. Hannah's dream is to become a veterinarian one day.

- Dean and Mona (Schwickerath) Robbins, Grimes, participated in a 50-mile run during the North Face Endurance Run in Delafield, Wisc. Mona place third overall in the women's division and second in her age bracket, 40-49, running the race in nine hours, 14 minutes. The couple plans to participate in a 100-mile endurance on Nov. 6. Parents of Dean are Lloyd and Janice Robbins of Ionia, and Mona's parents are Merle and Karen Schwickerath, New Hampton.

### 2015 (5 years ago)

- Kyle Hennessy's voice could be heard across the football field during a New Hampton Youth Sports Foundation (YSF) game. "Coach Kyle" isn't your typical youth football coach. The 26-year old never played high school football and he coaches from a wheelchair. He was born with cerebral palsy and he was born deaf.

At a young age, he received a cochlear implant so he could hear, but playing the game he loves was never an option. Kyle lives at home with his parents, Ralph and Kim, he is on the go, working five days a week at Treasure Chest and volunteers for countless organizations. He has, in short, met his disability head on.

### 2019 (1 year ago)

- Three customers stopped at the Pub at the Pinicon for a late lunch, all ordered the tenderloin, owner Phil Zwanziger had no idea they were judges for a statewide contest sponsored by the Iowa Pork Producers Association.

Those three judges liked what they ate, and earlier this month, The Pub at the Pinicon was named one of the five finalists in the Pork Producers 17th annual Best Breaded Tenderloin Contest.

The restaurant was nominated by Leon Sheets, the Ionia farmer who was America's Pig Farmer of the Year in 2017.

— Compiled by the Tribune's Terri Josephson



Submitted photo

Volunteers who helped a couple harvest their beans include (from left) Jim Gebel, Donna Smith, Mike Pickar, Brian Shatek, Travis Smith and Jim Shatek.

## 'Farm neighborhood' comes together to help one of its own

To put it succinctly, it's what we Iowans do.

When their neighbors need help, they drop everything and come to their assistance.

Just ask Edith and Roger Lenehan, who have focused their efforts on Edith's battle with leukemia recently. She needed

treatment that could only be offered at a Houston hospital, but while the Lenehans were in Texas, their soybean crop was ready to be harvested.

So his "neighborhood" up by Alta Vista went to work and brought out his beans. Jim Gebel, Donna Smith, Mike Pickar, Brian Shatek, Travis Smith and Jim

Shatek worked in the fields and Five Star Cooperative hauled the beans.

"Everyone there was more than willing to help," Pickar said, "and we know Roger would do the same for us if we were facing a challenge. It is Iowa. It's just what we do. We help our neighbors."

— By Bob Fenske

## City Council nixes Planning and Zoning recommendation

By BOB FENSKE  
editor@nhtrib.com

The New Hampton City Council last week rejected a recommendation from the city's Planning and Zoning Commission, and instead, asked City Attorney Kevin Kennedy to draft an ordinance that would limit the size of accessory buildings depending on the lot size.

The commission studied the issue for two meetings and had come up with a recommendation that "no detached accessory building or structure located within a residential district in the city limits shall exceed 1,500 square feet in size."

Council members were originally scheduled to discuss the issue during its Sept. 21 meeting but tabled it because they wanted more time to study the proposed ordinance Planning

and Zoning was recommending.

"I have to be honest with you, I have some real doubts about this," Councilman Matt Kuhn said. "I'm really not in favor of a one-size-fits-all approach. I mean think about the different lot sizes we have in New Hampton."

Councilman Bob Boos agreed, pointing out that "a 1,500-square-foot building on one of our small lots is going to be huge compared to the bigger lots we have in the city." And Boos also said some of the detached "garages aren't really garages, they're man caves and all that," which costs the city tax valuation.

The rest of the council agreed and asked Kennedy to draft an ordinance that would set the size of accessory buildings in proportion to the lot sizes.

## MercyOne New Hampton offers Medicare help through SHIP program

Open enrollment is underway for Medicare Advantage and Medicare Part D prescription drug plans and the Iowa Insurance Division's Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIP) is available to offer free, unbiased and confidential assistance to Iowans.

Iowans may make changes to their Medicare Advantage and Medicare Part D prescription drug plan during open enrollment beginning Oct. 15 through Dec. 7. Iowans that miss the open enrollment deadline most likely would have to wait a full year before making changes to their plan.

In 2019, SHIP helped Iowans save over \$32 million by comparing Medicare Part D plans for Iowans.

SHIP is reminding Iowans to do three important things during Medicare open enrollment:

- Review your plan notice. Read any notices from your Medicare plan about changes for next year - especially your "Annual Notice of Change" letter. Review your plan's information to make sure the prescriptions you use are still covered and your medical providers and pharmacy are still in network.
- Think about what matters most to you. Medicare health and drug plans change each year and so can your health needs. Does your current plan best meet your needs?
- Shop for the plans that meet your needs and fit your budget. Compare plans even if you've been satisfied with your current plan. The coverage and costs for plans can change from year to year.

For SHIP assistance locally call MercyOne New Hampton, 641-394-4121. SHIP is a free, confidential service of the State of Iowa.

SHIP counselors review all plans offered and do not promote any particular plan or company. Appointments this year will be done over the phone.



## Legal Notice • Legal Notice • Legal Notice • Legal Notice

The Lawler City Council met in regular session on October 6, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Mark Muetterthies presided. Council members present: King, Izer, and Scheidel. Council members absent: Croell and Kuehner. Others present: Jay Uhlenhake

Motion made by King to approve the Agenda. Second by Scheidel. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by Scheidel to approve the previous minutes and current bills to be paid. Second by Izer. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by Scheidel to approve minutes from special meeting. Second by King. All Ayes. Motion passed.

WINDSTREAM - PHONE.....102.49  
ARAMARK - RUGS.....153.2  
JENDRO - GARBAGE CONTRACT.....2,193.02

STANTON ELECTRIC - REMOVE TREE ON LINE.....70  
UPS.....37.13  
TEST AMERICA - LEAD AND COPPER.....218.75

EFTPS - FED/FICA TAXES.....1,406.44  
IPERS - IPERS.....1,054.73  
STATE WITHHOLDING - STATE

TAXES.....797  
BLACK HILLS ENERGY - GAS UTILITY.....102.09  
MIENERGY - ELECTRICITY.....28,480.38

IOWA DEPT OF REVNUUE/SALES - SALES TAX.....1,263.00  
IOWA LEAGUE - MEMBER DUES 07/01/20-06/30/20.....466

NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE - SEPTEMBER 2020 MINUTES.....101.42  
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS.....3,443.25  
LAWLER PUBLIC LIBRARY - REIMBURSE 2ND QTR 941 TAX.....984.68

DNR - WATER USE PERMIT FEE.....95  
USABUEBOOK.....148.51  
PATHWAYS - DONATION.....468

VISA - S BYRNE - ADOBE.....25.31  
CARROT - TOP - US FLAG.....181.8  
DITCH WITCH.....4,605.38

PAYROLL CHECKS - TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS.....51,128.95  
CLAIMS TOTAL.....51,526.53  
GENERAL FUND.....6,496.41

REVENUE.....2,470.76  
SANITATION FUND.....2,193.02  
REVENUE.....2,259.31  
ROAD USE TAX FUND.....1,168.75

REVENUE.....5278.22  
WATER FUND.....4,351.79  
REVENUE.....6870.48

SEWER FUND.....4,499.14  
REVENUE.....2,253.56  
ELECTRIC FUND.....32,817.42

REVENUE.....3,127.93  
The council discussed the Code of Ordinance changes. The Residential parking was discussed. Simmering Cory had emailed possible wording of the Parking ordinances. Other cities allow 4 vehicles depending on number in the household with driver's license. Suzette will call other small cities and ask about how their ordinance is written.

Jay updated the council about the Annual Water Supply. The well is only producing 100 gallons per minute. He said the well will be pulled up next week. It was possible damaged with a lightning strike last summer. This will be covered with insurance

Account # 25200 nuisances were discussed. King informed the council the resident was keeping up with cleaning up the yard.

Account #23608 has followed the ordinance and moved vehicles of yard.

The city purchased a locator for find

underground wires. This will help with the location of underground wire for the high speed internet that will be installed in the next weeks.

The city will not be adding Payroll Direct Deposit to the Payroll software program. The expense would be a one cost of \$800 and \$240 per year. The city does not have enough employees to purchase this addition to the payroll software.

The city will be allowing trick or treating October 25, 2020. The residents who would like to participate can leave their porch light on.

Motion made by Izer to allow trick treating October 25, 2020.

Second by Scheidel. Ayes: King, Izer and Scheidel. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Delinquent accounts were discussed. The next meeting will be Monday, November 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion made by Scheidel and second by King to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Suzette Byrne, City Clerk  
No. 20454  
10/13/20

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# NOTICE

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Please contact the Recorder's office at 641-394-2336 for any questions.

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<b>COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS</b>	DISBURSED .....\$805.81
The City Council of Ionia met in regular session Monday, October 5, 2020, at 7:00 pm in City Hall.	Sewer RECEIVED.....\$571.62
Mayor Taylor presided with Council Members Crooks, Day, Geerts, Havner present. Parson absent. Also present were Clerk Donna Geerts, Jerry Heying, Lydia Klinkel, Staci Dreckman, Katy Brown. Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order.	DISBURSED .....\$3,584.33
Motion by Day, seconded by Havner to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.	Savings Int & Donation RECEIVED .....\$1,310.66
Motion by Crooks, seconded by Havner to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2020, meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.	Motion by Day, seconded by Crooks to approve the monthly financial report. All voted aye. Motion carried.
Motion by Geerts, seconded by Crooks to approve the claims. All voted aye. Motion carried.	Heying reported wastewater and water figures. Water hydrants will be flushed.
Alliant Energy .....\$1124.46	Librarian Lydia and Board Members Brown and Dreckman were present to propose some projects with the city hall/library grounds/building. Council agreed to have them proceed with landscaping, signage, and Council will look at the brick.
Black Hills Energy .....\$67.60	Dreckman and Brown left at 7:30 pm. Trick or treating will be done in Ionia on October 31, 2020.
Library Acct .....\$2322.87	Motion by Havner, seconded by Day to approve codification of city ordinances and authorize Mayor's signature on agreement for codification services between City of Ionia and Local Government Professional Services, Inc. DBA: Iowa Codification.
Payroll .....\$2241.91	Motion by Day, seconded by Crooks to start hiring process for a seasonal snow plow driver. All voted aye. Motion carried. City will accept applications for a part time on call seasonal snow plow operator. Applications are available at the City Clerk's office and need to be returned to City Clerk by 6 pm on November 2, 2020.
941 deposit .....\$1025.09	Heying and Klinkel left at 7:45 pm. The Council discussed personnel review with closed session under Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i).
IPERS .....\$785.57	Motion by Day, seconded by Crooks to enter closed session at 7:50 pm. All voted aye. Motion carried. Present were Mayor Taylor, Council Members Day, Crooks, Geerts, Havner, Clerk Geerts, Bryan Angell, Parson absent.
Jendro Sanitation, recycling & bags .....\$762.88	Discussion followed.
New Hampton Tribune, pub .....\$189.07	Motion by Crooks, seconded by Geerts to exit closed session at 8:15 am. All voted aye. Motion carried.
City of New Hampton, ww tests .....\$ 105.50	Mayor gave an update on the Conference Board, Emergency Management, and 911 Service Board meetings he attended.
Treas., State of Iowa, state tax .....\$ 372.00	Motion by Crooks, seconded by Geerts to adjourn meeting at 8:35 pm. Motion carried unanimously.
Treas., State of Iowa, sewer sales tax .....\$ 53.00	Donna Geerts, City Clerk
Treas., State of Iowa, WET (water excise tax) .....\$714.00	No. 20458
IA Workforce Development, unemployment tax .....\$15.36	10/13/20
IA DNR, and water use fee .....\$95.00	
Simmering Coryllowa Codification - down payment code development proj .....\$1000.00	
Bodensteiner Impl, parts .....\$89.07	
Five Star Coop, grass seed .....\$67.25	
Rapid Printers, copies .....\$5.90	
Sharon Kellogg, sprayer .....\$50.00	
Total Claims .....\$11,086.53	
Total Revenues.....\$12,644.95	
Checks outstanding .....\$564.50 (9.22.2020)	
General RECEIVED .....\$6,940.64	
DISBURSED .....\$21,433.02	
SAVINGS .....\$ 2,076.95	
Road Use RECEIVED.....\$2,594.47	
DISBURSED.....\$0	
SAVINGS .....\$42,131.88	
Water RECEIVED.....\$1,227.56	

# Auditor challenges incumbent for District 3 supervisor seat

The two candidates seeking the Chickasaw County Supervisor District 3 seat know each other well; in fact, they have sat next to each other for the past three years during supervisor meetings.

Republican Jacob Hackman, who has served as board chairman for the past three years, is being challenged by current Auditor and Democrat Joan Knoll, and the two sit side-by-side at supervisor meetings.

District 3 includes much of the western half of New Hampton and several townships to the west and south of the city.

We asked each candidate to fill out a questionnaire and here are their answers:

## JACOB HACKMAN

**Occupation:** Sixth-generation family farmer, New Hampton Community Schools' bus driver, lot sales and set-up for St. Mary's Cemetery, North Washington.

**Leadership experience:** Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, four years; Chickasaw County Farm Bureau, vice president and president, Iowa Farm Bureau Young Farmer Advisory Committee; Iowa Farm Bureau Crop Advisory Committee; Catholic Order of Foresters Local Court High Chief Ranger, Catholic Order of Foresters State Court High Chief Ranger; Board of Adjustments for the city of New Hampton.



Hackman

**Why did you decide to run for election this year?** I decided to run for re-election as I would be honored to continue to serve the people of Chickasaw County. I feel everyone in the county needs to be looked at as a whole. I also feel there needs to be accountability for the tax dollars being spent along with being fiscally responsible with those dollars. Policies, procedures, and doing what is right are what keep our county moving in a positive and productive direction.

Most of all I decided to run for the people and our next generation of people that will move our county forward. I grew up here and have hopes that my children will want to come back to Chickasaw County. So, helping keep our county monies budgeted correctly and keeping our great services will only make our county better for them in the future. Again, I would proud to serve the people of our county.

**If elected, what are your top three priorities for Chickasaw County in the next four years and how would you accomplish this?** In the next four years, I would like to get the communications project finished up. This will be such a benefit to our counties law enforcement, EMS, fire crews, rescue crews, school, and everyone. A state of the art communication system will better ensure the safety of all involved in an emergency and better our connection, county and state wide.

I would also like to focus on mental health and try to find ways for our services to work for those in need. I have sat on the County Social Services Board as one of my committee assignments this past supervisor term and hear firsthand that these services are very important. I've known people personally affected by mental health and special needs and want safe resources available for them.

Another priority would be growing our tax base with wind and solar farms and growing our local businesses and much more.

**What in your mind is the key or the keys to making the Board of Supervisors work best for the citizens and employees of Chickasaw County?** I feel the key to making the Board of Supervisors work best for our citizens is to consider every resident in our county and manage the tax dollars while being fiscally responsible and still providing great services that

our county people need and want. As for our employees, I feel if our county people continue to elect great people to fill the department head positions and the Board of Supervisors continues to appoint great people in the non-elected department head positions, that all of us, working together, with the thought of our county prospering, we will only better our county as a whole.

If we all put time and heart into our jobs to research ways and follow policies on how things are supposed to be done, then I feel our county would be more efficient and move forward in positive ways, making it be a great place for everyone.

## JOAN KNOLL

**Occupation:** Chickasaw County auditor. **Leadership experience:** Served for the past 12 years as the elected Chickasaw County auditor and commissioner of elections. In that role, I also serve as the secretary to the Board of Supervisors.

**Why did you decide to run for election this year?** I wanted to continue my public service to benefit the citizens of my district and Chickasaw County, and I also felt that with more than 35 years of experience in the county — 12 years as auditor and Board of Supervisors secretary — I can put my knowledge and commitment as a team player to provide transparent service to the residents of District 3. I also understand the importance of listening to all the citizens of my district and the county so that we can give them the best, most efficient services while still holding down our tax levy.

**If elected, what are your top three priorities for Chickasaw County in the next four years and how would you accomplish this?** The citizens of Chickasaw County need an ambulance service, and one that is reliably funded, and This requires the county, the cities, and the service provider need to come to the table and provide solutions. Ambulance service is not only important to our residents, but it is also an economic development tool as well. A company thinking of relocating to our county will definitely give us a much longer look if we have emergency services, like ambulance service, in place.

Second, I will work with my fellow board members to create a five-year comprehensive plan for the county. It is vitally important that we have a long-range plan for our county so that we can attract residents, businesses and manufacturers.

And third, I will make sure every department is fiscally responsible and transparent with the their budgets. Let's be honest, here, we are being entrusted with the taxpayers' money, and we must use it wisely for the betterment of our county. As an auditor for the past 12 years, I have always pushed for transparency when it comes to not only to the budgeting process but also throughout the budget year.

**What in your mind is the key or the keys to making the Board of Supervisors work best for the citizens and employees of Chickasaw County?** 1. Communication between all departments, employees and the citizens of Chickasaw County. Listen to the person, do the research before making a decision, and be transparent to the citizens of the county. Important issues should be discussed in the boardroom, where it is on record for the public to hear.

2. Teamwork. This requires the Board of Supervisors to work together, listen, discuss, and share information to do what's best for the county.

3. The board needs to be transparent with themselves and the community.



Knoll

# Former EMS director, city councilman vie for District 4

Here's what we know for sure — there will be a new supervisor representing District 4 — when January rolls around.

The incumbent, Steve Geerts, lost a tight Democratic primary race to Ken Rasing, who will face New Hampton City Councilman Matt Kuhn in the Nov. 3 election.

District 4 includes much of the eastern half of New Hampton and townships just to the east of the county's largest city.

We asked each candidate to fill out a questionnaire and here are their answers:

## KEN RASING

**Occupation and where you work:** Former Chickasaw County emergency management coordinator, 911 coordinator, environmental health director and medical examiner investigator. Currently working for Kahn Tile Supply

**Leadership experience:** Past scoutmaster of Troop 48 New Hampton, past president of the North East Iowa Ambulance Council, past president of the Iowa 911 NENA chapter, representative for the District 2 Emergency Management Coordinators, volunteers of the year, Iowa EMS Hall of Fame, recognized by FEMA and the American Red Cross, director of the Chickasaw County Rescue Squad, and disaster relief response for flooding in Clayton County and Black Hawk County, the Parkersburg tornado, Hardin County hail storm and the Iowa representative for Hurricane Katrina. - Iowa Representative — Hurricane Katrina



Rasing

I have also been employed by the following boards — Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County Emergency Management Commission, Chickasaw County Board of Health, and the Chickasaw County 911 Service Board.

**Why did you decide to run for election this year?** I spent most of my life working with the public, primarily those in Chickasaw County. But in retirement I have missed working with and serving the people of our community. While working for the county, I spent time in the homes of many residents whether it was to test water, discuss issues related to a new home, update a septic system, or respond to an EMS call.

In these interactions with the people of our county, we also discussed their various issues and concerns and I gained a true appreciation for the passion and pride we share for where we live, and where many of us were raised.

I have decided to run for supervisor because I miss these interactions and serving the residents of Chickasaw County. I will bring my years of experience in public service and leadership to the board, along with a passion to carry forward the pride and history of our county.

**If elected, what are your top three priorities for Chickasaw County in the next four years and how would you accomplish this?** 1. Economy: We need to support our current farmers, businesses, and industries. I will actively communicate with these key players to understand the best means to support them.

2. Ambulance Service: We must develop a long-term, fiscally responsible solution for the ambulance service. With my background, this is an issue I am incredibly passionate about and is a foundation of my campaign. I will lead an open and fair investigation into the following options: renegotiate the current contract, start our own ambulance service, and entertain sealed bids from outside providers.

3. Declining population: Over the last 30 years, the population of our county has declined by 2,998 citizens. Continued exodus at this rate is not sustainable and creates challenges in providing the best services to our citizens. I plan to work directly with the cities, businesses, civic

organizations, and library boards, to develop the economic and social attractions to grow our population.

**What in your mind is the key or the keys to making the Board of Supervisors work best for the citizens and employees of Chickasaw County?** In order for the Board of Supervisors to best serve the citizens of Chickasaw County, we must work together, through our divisions, and be aligned in our objectives.

With a focus on service to our citizens, the board will be able to work to provide the following: support and maintain our businesses, industries, and farmers; recruit new business and industries; make fiscally responsible decisions; serve the public; maintain our current county infrastructure, buildings, roads, and bridges; protect our citizens through fire, ambulance, emergency management, and law enforcement services; and promote Chickasaw County as the beautiful place that it is to live and raise a family.

## MATTHEW KUHN

**Occupation:** IT specialist for the past eight years at Homeland Energy Solutions.

**Leadership experience:** Serving on the New Hampton City Council for the past three years has allowed me the opportunity to work with budgets, ordinances, capital improvements, and many other issues that affect our community. I pride myself in looking at all aspects of the issue at hand so that a solution is in the best interest of the majority.

As an active member in the community, I am the New Hampton Lions breakfast chairman and Rotary Foundation Chair, among many other different activities and committees. I'm currently the Lions Vice President and I am in line to be President for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

I have also been involved with EMS for over 10 years and an EMT for the last six years. This role has prepared me for dealing with emergency situations. It takes leadership to be in an EMT role as these are lifesaving decisions we must make with limited time. This is not a role everyone can take on, but I am proud to serve Chickasaw County.

**Why did you decide to run for election this year?**

I have always had an interest in serving the public in some capacity in addition to Emergency Medical Services and other volunteer organizations. I was elected as a Member At Large with the New Hampton City Council over three years ago.

This position has developed my interest in the local government and feel that I can bring a new prospective serving as a Chickasaw County Supervisor. I speak with constituents to hear their thoughts on issues that are affecting our community, as well as attending meetings. I feel that my forward thinking will provide growth within our county.

My contribution to the county board of supervisors is a fresh perspective, level-headed decisions, experience, leadership, and drive.

**If elected, what are your top three priorities for Chickasaw County in the next four years and how would you accomplish this?** Infrastructure within our community has always been an ongoing topic and will be a challenge we continue to face. For example, secondary roads are an area that could see some improvements.

One thought to improve these is to use a higher quality rock. It is important to me that when decisions are being made about improvements, we are utilizing the taxpayers' money to provide

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Kuhn

# Independents taking on incumbent in District 1

Voters in District 1, which covers much of the rural northern part of Chickasaw County, have to decide between three candidates as two "no-party" candidates are challenging incumbent Democrat Dave Tilkes.

Both Rick Holthaus and Mark Knoll filed "no-party" nomination papers during the March filing period while Tilkes ran unopposed in the primary.

Tilkes unseated Holthaus in a three-man race in 2016 and is completing his first term on the Board of Supervisors.

We asked each candidate to fill out a questionnaire and here are their answers:

## RICK HOLTHAUS

**Occupation:** Farmer.

**Leadership experience:** Leadership first began for me in high school as an active member of the New Hampton FFA Chapter. I held the position of Chapter President and Chapter Vice President and also received the Iowa Farmer Degree. I was also an active member of the Chickasaw County Farm Bureau, serving on the Board of Directors and holding the positions of Treasurer, Secretary, President, Vice President and Voting Delegate.

I also served on the New Hampton School Board for nine years. During those nine years, I served as the President and Vice President. I have served on the St. Bernard's Parish Council for a number of years and am currently the Chair of the Finance Council.

I proudly served as a Count Supervisor from 2008-2016 holding the Vice Chair position for two years and Chair for four years.

**Why did you decide to run for election this year?** In March 2017, I started attending the Board of

Supervisors meetings after the Board initiated a State Re-Audit of the County audit, which resulted in no findings. I attended the meetings for the next several months and witnessed how poorly the Board was not only addressing the issues, but also how they were handling the issues.

I continued to attend the meetings for the following three years and came to the conclusion that our county could not grow and prosper with the current situation. The residents of Chickasaw County deserve to be represented in a way that makes us proud to call Chickasaw County their home.

**If elected, what are your top three priorities for Chickasaw County in the next four years and how would you accomplish this?** If I have the opportunity to serve the next four years, my main goal is to get the county affairs back in order and while every aspect of Chickasaw County is important, here are three that I feel are important.

First, I feel it is important to restore the trust and respect with the general public, other elected officials, department heads and employees. If this happens, I believe many issues will begin to resolve themselves.

Another priority is to resolve the ambulance issue.

Last, we need to get the county back into a good financial position again with a main goal or restoring the cash reserves to a comfortable level. To accomplish these priorities, we just need to have open, honest communication.

**What in your mind is the key or the keys to making the Board of Supervisors work best for**



Holthaus



Knoll



Tilkes

**the citizens and employees of Chickasaw County?** In order for the Board of Supervisors to work best for all of Chickasaw County, it is key to be more transparent, honest and respectful.

The Board needs to work together as a five-member board and create a team environment with everyone. As a representative of Chickasaw County, discussions need to always take place in the boardroom and with public input in ensure we are serving the citizens of our county in the best way possible.

## MARK KNOLL

**Occupation:** Growing crops and cattle on the farm in Jacksonville Township where I have lived my whole life.

**Leadership experience:** This is my first try at elected office.

**Why did you decide to run for election this year?** I feel we need a change in how the people at district one are being represented. I will be someone that knows the citizens are the bosses and their input is very important. I think the people want a real change.

**If elected, what are your top three priorities for Chickasaw County in the next four years and how would you accomplish this?** The first priority is the ambulance ser-

vice because the clock is ticking. I feel we must keep a service in the county. But if handled differently, we could reduce the cost. Then find a way of sharing that cost equally. I believe this can be done through compromise, not with lawyers for reducing the voting power of our smaller towns.

Second is the condition of our dirt roads. The management of these roads has to change. I know it will take time, but we can't keep doing the same thing every year and expect them to get better.

And we need to grow our county. By attracting employers and also keep the people wanting to stay in the county. To do this we have to keep our tax rates as low as we can and still maintain needed services.

**If elected, what are your top three priorities for Chickasaw County in the next four years and how would you accomplish this?** The board needs to be open to communicating with everyone and making themselves available to listen to their concerns. And realize this is important at all times, not just at election time.

## DAVID TILKES

**Occupation:** I attended NICC for 2 years and obtained a degree in Construction Technology. I worked for the conservation for 15 years. I currently am the District 1 County Supervisor. I also am a lifetime farmer in Chickasaw County. I am the father of 2 girls and have 4 grandchildren.

**Leadership experience:**

I have served on the Immaculate Conception Parish Council Board in North Washington for 2 terms as a Chairman and was a religion teacher for several years. I have also been on

a local Coop nominating committee and I am a Farm Bureau Member. I am currently the elected District 1 Supervisor. I serve on the Northeast Iowa Workforce Development Board and the Iowa Community Action Association.

**Why did you decide to run for election this year?** I want to continue to help make decisions that allow the county to make progress and move forward. I want to keep working on the projects that have been started and see them to completion.

I also want to keep taxes low but still have the county operate with a good ending fund balance.

**If elected, what are your top three priorities for Chickasaw County in the next four years and how would you accomplish this?**

If reelected, my top three priorities for Chickasaw County would be to continue to move forward with our communication tower project, keep building and improving infrastructure on our county roads, and to continue to support an ambulance service for our county.

I believe the Communication Tower Project will be beneficial for Chickasaw County. It is needed for the safety of all citizens, workers, and our First Responders. This will be accomplished through a \$4.5 million bond that was passed by our current board.

County roads will continue to be improved by updating bridges that are in need and placing more road rock on secondary roads. This will be accomplished by raising the tonnage of contract rock hauled and keep building two bridges per year.

I will also continue to support the Ambulance Council in a positive

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District 4 candidates set their priorities

DISTRICT 4 SUPERVISOR: FROM 8

quality solutions that will have lasting effects. Ambulance service in Chickasaw County has been an ongoing issue that I'm sure everyone is aware of.

The cities and county need to come together and work on a revised 28E agreement. This would establish funding and potentially give the Ambulance Council the resources necessary to fulfill their duties.

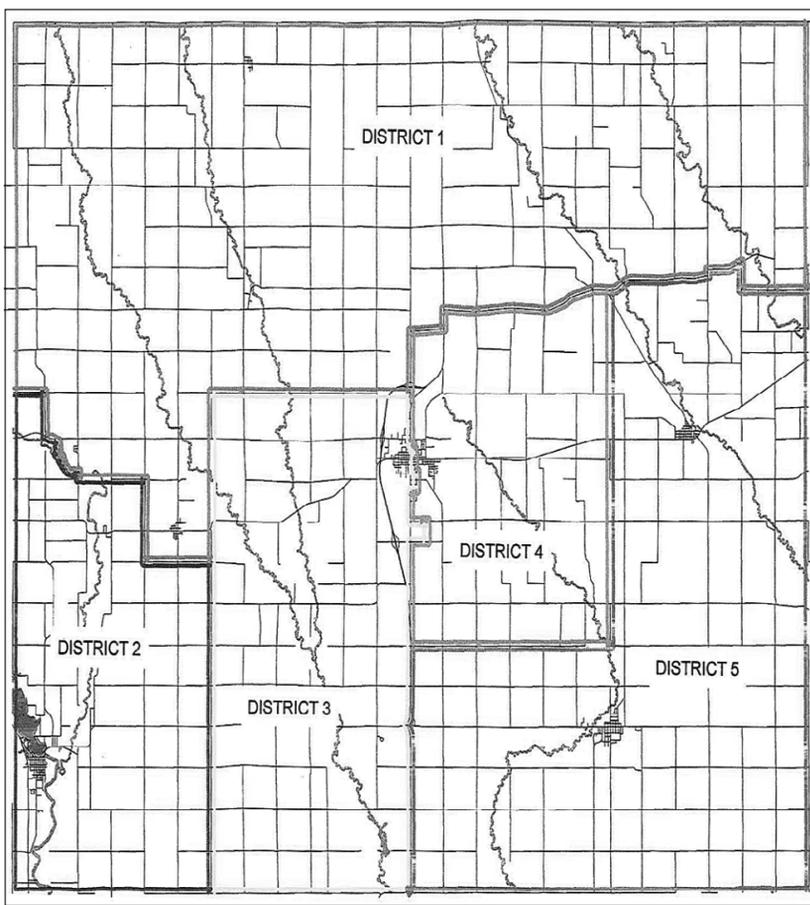
Each city has the option to work towards establishing an Emergency Medical Services District. The EMS District option would have to be put on the ballot and the respective cities taxpayers would have to pass the measure by a minimum of 60 percent.

I believe that all options for ambulance service need to be reviewed.

I am passionate about strong communication skills in leadership roles. Intergovernmental relations within the county is an area that could have significant growth. I believe that most issues can be worked through and might require some compromising on both sides.

What in your mind is the key or the keys to making the Board of Supervisors work best for the citizens and employees of Chickasaw County? Listening to our constituents and truly looking at both sides of an issue are key to making the Board of Supervisors productive and beneficial for the citizens and employees of Chickasaw County.

While not everyone is always on the same page, it is important to make strides within our community in a positive direction. Chickasaw County has a lot of untapped potential and I look forward to being a part of the growth our county can make in the coming years.



Trio vie for largely rural District 1 seat

DISTRICT 1 SUPERVISOR: FROM 8

forum to keep an ambulance service available to residents of Chickasaw County.

What in your mind is the key or the keys to making the Board of Supervisors work best for the citizens and employees of Chickasaw County? One of the keys to providing the best service to the employees and citizens of Chickasaw county is simply listening to people and their concerns to thoroughly understand the situation at-hand.

Unfortunately, in today's society, people are quick to judge others based on only pieces of information, which may not always be factual. When an individual listens with the intent to respond rather than to understand the situation, this is a disservice to everyone, especially when high-stake decisions are being made.

The citizens of our county also deserve to have wise and conservative use of their tax dollars. When I make a decision on behalf of the county, this is the first thought in my mind with any situation -- is this decision cost-effective, how/who will this impact downstream, what is the risk-benefit ratio -- you need to be able to see the full picture, not just one portion of it.

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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS MONDAY OCTOBER 5, 2020 7:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of New Hampton met in regular session in the council chambers at 112 East Spring Street on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Schwickerath at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Kuhn, McDonald, Boos, Denner, Diiro. Perkins was absent. Also in attendance were Zach Nobsch, Tim Angell, Bob Fenske, Eric Kuehn, Chad McGee and City Attorney Kevin Kennedy.

Moved by Diiro, seconded by Boos; The agenda be approved as presented. Ayes- Five. Nays - None. Absent - Perkins. Motion carried.

Moved by Denner, seconded by Kuhn; That the minutes of the September 21, 2020 regular council meeting, be approved. Ayes- Five. Nays - None. Absent - Perkins. Motion carried.

Moved by McDonald, seconded by Diiro; That claims in the amount of \$105,962.38 be approved. Ayes- Five. Nays - None. Absent - Perkins. Motion carried.

City Clerk Clemens presented a procurement policy for City of New Hampton departments to utilize. The policy is required to apply for FEMA/Iowa Homeland Security grants for COVID19 related expenses. Moved by Kuhn, seconded by McDonald; That Resolution No. 6445 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A PROCUREMENT POLICY, be approved. Ayes - Kuhn, McDonald, Boos, Denner, Diiro. Nays - None. Absent -

Perkins. Resolution adopted.

Councilmember Diiro, reporting from the Committee As a Whole meeting, presented a proposal to consolidate the supervisory positions of the street, water and wastewater departments. With the retirement of Mai and Angell, the question to change staffing seemed timely. There was a lengthy discussion of creating a job description, determining the salary/wage range and determining where this new position would fit with the current organizational chart. There is emphasis on finding staff with the appropriate Grade 2, 3 or 4 certifications that our wwp requires. The council agreed that the position would require working a larger percentage of time with the street department and those responsibilities of the street department. Moved by Denner, seconded by McDonald; To direct the Committee as a Whole to create a new position that will supervise the street, sewer and water departments and to determine the appropriate wage scale for this position. Ayes - Five. Nays - None. Absent - Perkins. Motion carried.

Councilmember Kuhn presented information he has gathered regarding other communities' policies with regard to the size of accessory buildings. The Planning and Zoning Commission had recommended limiting the size of accessory buildings to 1,500 sq ft, but the council wanted to evaluate other options. Councilmember Kuhn and McDonald will work of the specifics of a new proposal and will present their recommendations at the next regular council meeting on October 19, 2020.

Moved by Denner, seconded by Kuhn; That Tim & Marsha Angell &

Bill & Mary Prouty, request to close one block of East Gardner from Chestnut Avenue to Locust Avenue from 12:00 pm on Thursday, October 8, 2020 until 3:00 pm on Saturday October 10th to hold a Vintage Market sale, be approved. Ayes- Five. Nays - None. Absent - Perkins. Motion carried.

Officer McGee presented a public awareness campaign entitled "Start By Believing". This campaign is a program of "End Violence Against Women International" and is designed to improve the responses of friends, family members, and community professionals, so they can help victims to access supportive resources and engage the criminal justice system. McGee requested the council login to the Start By Believing website to learn more about the program. He will present additional information in future meetings.

Moved by Kuhn, Seconded by McDonald; That Resolution No. 6446 RESOLUTION APPROVING DEPOSITORIES, be approved. Ayes - Kuhn, McDonald, Boos, Denner, Diiro. Nays - None. Absent - Perkins. Resolution adopted.

City Attorney Kevin Kennedy shared with the Council the Board of Adjustment decisions made earlier in the evening. The building permit for Chris and Anna Havlik to build a front porch was approved. The building permit request for Erin Erdman to build an attached garage was also approved.

Moved by Kuhn, seconded by Boos; That the following be accepted and placed on file.

- 1. Library Minutes of September 10, 2020
2. Airport Minutes of August 10, 2020
3. Committee As a Whole Minutes of September 30, 2020.
4. Letter from LTD Broadband, September 22, 2020.

Ayes - Five. Nays - None. Absent - Perkins. Motion carried.

Moved by Denner, seconded by Diiro; That the meeting adjourn at 8:22 p.m. Ayes - Five. Nays - None. Absent - Perkins. Motion carried.

ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk

ROBERT SCHWICKERATH, Mayor
CITY - WRITTEN SINCE SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

- USPS - Postage for Utility Bills...63.35
John Deere Financial - Supplies (Sewer Police Street)...220.03
Salinas, Brandy - Economic Development Grant...5,000.00
Payroll Account - Salaries...56,827.41
USPS - Postage for Utility Bills...57.75
Jendro Sanitation - Recycling Service (1424 Customers @ \$6.62)...9,426.88
Total Written...71,595.42

CITY - TO BE WRITTEN-- Chickasaw County Treasurer- Pavement Markings (Street).....1,073.31 Clemens- Mr Lawn - Fertilizer & Weed

- Spray Applications (Fire)...200.00
Consolidated Energy - Fuel (Street) ....212.36
Culligan - DI Equip Rental, Carbon Filter (Sewer)...88.85
Douglas, Ken - Mileage (117 x .39) ....45.63
Geerts Plumbing & Heating - PVC Pipe (Sewer)...26.40
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy - Basic Training Academy- Rash (PD) ....6,650.00
Iowa One Call - One Call Service (Water, Sewer)...263.70
Iowa Prison Industries - Academy Uniforms - Rash (Police).....225.00
Kennedy, Kevin - Salary....3,034.00
L & R Manufacturing - Stainless Steel Retention Tank, Grate (Sewer) ....12,111.70
LeisureTime Golf Cars - Postage (Sewer).....12.26
Lessin Supply Co - Supplies (Street) ...33.51
New Hampton Rotary - Rotary Dues (Clerk).....70.50
New Hampton Tribune - Minutes, Board of Adj (Clerk) Superintendent Ad (ST).....412.93
Omega Machine Tool - Rebuild Valve for Storage Tank (Sewer). 625.00
Pathways Behavioral Services - 20/21 Annual Contribution (Comm Health).....1,000.00
Rapid Printers - Office Supplies (Sewer Clerk).....73.50
Ray O'Herron - Spike System- Grant (Police).....2,160.00
Riley's Inc - Copy Fees (Clerk Sewer Econ Police).....205.00
Schueth Ace - Batteries, Trufuel (Fire) Supplies (Sewer Street Water).....

- .....258.92
Test America - Testing Fees (Sewer) ....4,580.57
Utility Equipment - Repair Clamp (Water).....139.40
Verizon - Data Charges (Police) 160.16
Vern Laures - Replace Transmission Cooler/ Condenser (Police) 669.26
Wayne's Truck Equip - 2 Flat Tire Repairs (Police).....35.00
Total.....34,366.96
Plus City Written.....71,595.42
TOTAL TO BE APPROVED.....105,962.38

PAYROLL - WRITTEN SINCE SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

- AFLAC - Supplemental Insurance.....1,086.45
Collection Services Center - Payroll Deduction.....575.04
EFTPS - FICA Tax, Federal Tax .....10,809.69
Iowa Dept of Revenue - Payroll Withholding .....167.99
Mass Mutual Financial - Deferred Comp .....450.00
.....13,089.17

CEMETERY - TO BE WRITTEN

Clemens- Mr Lawn - Weed Spray Application.....1,120.00

LIBRARY - TO BE WRITTEN

- Schueth Ace - Paint, LED Bulbs 125.01
AIRPORT - WRITTEN SINCE AUGUST 17, 2020
John Deere Financial - Motor Treatment, Changer, Shop Towels.....88.97
Tenge, Rich - Use of Equipment 9/20/20.....70.00
.....158.97

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COUNTY BOARD MINUTES SEPTEMBER 28 & 29, 2020

The Board convened on Monday, September 28, 2020, at 9:00 AM with the members present Byrne, Geerts, Zoll, Tilkes, and Hackman in the Boardroom located on the second floor of the Courthouse, New Hampton, Iowa. Courthouse is open to the public. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hackman.

Present were Joan Knoll, Penny Andorf, Rick Holthaus, Reed Palo, Delores Knutson, Derick Knutson, Don Knutson, Dale Knutson, and Jeff Bernatz.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Tilkes to approve agenda for September 28 & 29, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Marty Hemann present at 9:02 AM. Ray Arnel present at 9:03 AM.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Zoll to approve Board minutes for September 21, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Auditor Knoll informed the Board that the Center for Tech and Civil Life, a nonprofit organization and non-partisan organization has decided to award a grant to support the work of Chickasaw County in the amount of \$5000.00. The Auditor followed the guidelines of the grant (ballot box and election administration equipment) and purchased a ballot drop box, additional barriers/partitions for the polling places, and tabletop privacy screens for voters at the polling places.

Dennis Knutson present at 9:14 AM. Public comment from Derick Knutson, Delores Knutson, Don Knutson, Dale Knutson, and Dennis Knutson regarding the potential nuisance ordinance.

The Board reviewed the draft of a potential nuisance ordinance. Discussion followed.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Geerts to have the County Attorney's review the draft nuisance ordinance and make revisions for the Board to review. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Delores Knutson, Don Knutson, Dale Knutson, Derick Knutson, Dennis Knutson left at 9:30 AM.

Ray Arnel and Penny Andorf left at 9:37 AM.

Marty Hemann met with the Board to acknowledge the hiring of a deputy sheriff.

Motion by Geerts, Seconded by Byrne to acknowledge the hiring of Dakota Gaede as deputy sheriff per union contract effective September 30, 2020 and as per the recommendation of the Sheriff. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Mr. Hemann also gave a department update.

Brian Moore present at 9:40 AM.

The Board discussed critical security infrastructure with closed session under Iowa Code 21.5(k) ref Iowa Code 22.17(50).

Rick Holthaus left at 9:52 AM.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Zoll to enter closed session at 9:53 AM for Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried. Present were Supervisors Geerts, Zoll, Byrne, Tilkes and Hackman, Auditor Knoll, Sheriff Hemann, Chief Deputy Palo, Jeff Bernatz, and Brian Moore.

Discussion followed.

Motion by Zoll, Seconded by Geerts to exit closed session at 10:28 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Rick Holthaus present at 10:29 AM and electronically.

Geerts to establish a Security Infrastructure committee consisting of Dennis Uings, Jeff Bernatz, Reed Palo, Brian Moore, Dustin Rotundo, Jason Byrne and Jacob Hackman to do a countywide study of the security infrastructure and update the Board of their findings. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Brian Moore, Reed Palo, and Marty Hemann left at 10:30 AM.

Jeff Bernatz gave the Board an update on the ISAC-COVID-19 Grant. Mr. Bernatz has submitted the first report for the ISAC-COVID-19 grant that consisted of the barriers/partitions and payroll for the public safety (25 percent of the total payroll). Mr. Bernatz also informed the Board that the second submission date is October 9, 2020.

Update on the Radio Communication Project.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Hackman to acknowledge the annual salary increase from \$69,989.76 to \$71,040.00 effective September 9, 2020 for Lisa Welter. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Update on the Building/Renovation Project at 516 S. Linn Avenue in New Hampton. Mr. Geerts informed the Board that the final design and sketch will be given to Jennifer Schwickerath and the Board on or before October 5, 2020 and the County Attorney's Office will assist the Architect with the preparation of the documents to begin the bidding process by the end of October 2020.

Supervisor Hackman gave an update on the CSS region and meeting held on September 23, 2020.

Supervisor Zoll gave the Board an update on the Landfill meeting held on September 21, 2020, FMC Community Empowerment Board/FMC Early Child of Iowa meeting held on September 21, 2020, and First Judicial District Department of Correctional Services on September 25, 2020.

Supervisors Tilkes informed the Board that the signature page was signed by Chairman Hackman for the Iowa Workforce Development 28E Agreement.

Supervisor Byrne updated the Board on the R & D meeting held on September 24, 2020.

Update on the Clerical Union Contract. The union decided not to pay for the recertification election and therefore the clerical union is decertified effective September 25, 2020.

Motion by Tilkes, Seconded by Byrne to adjourn at 11:32 AM. Roll Call: Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

The Board convened on Tuesday, September 29, 2020, at 9:00 AM with all members present Byrne, Geerts, Tilkes, Zoll, and Hackman in the Boardroom located on the second floor of the Courthouse, New Hampton, Iowa. Courthouse is open to the public. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hackman.

Received and filed in the Auditors Office Jacksonville Township Summary Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for FY 2019-2020.

The Board reviewed the claims.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Geerts to approve claims in the amount of \$108,219.87. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Seconded by Tilkes to adjourn at 9:29 A.M. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairman Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Joan E. Knoll, Auditor
CHICKASAW CO. CLAIMS - 09/15/2020

- 20/20 FX LLC - PARTS/ CABLE-BARB'S DESK.....25.40
ABILITY NETWORK INC - PUB HLTH BILLING SOFTWARE AUG.....459.90
AG VANTAGE FS INC - OCT. 2020 RENT-CO ATTY & EMA700.00
AHLERS & COONEY, P.C. - HR SERV THROUGH 08/19/2020...1,250.00
ALTA VISTA, CITY OF - UTLS AV CO SHOP.....57.52
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES - PUB HLTH 50 FACE MASKS FOR INFECTION CONTROL.....21.89
BAILEY, HOLLY - CLNT CALLS MLG AUG .....222.24
BLACK HAWK COUNTY - SERVICE FEES .....36.25
BLACK HILLS ENERGY - NAT GAS CO SHOPS & BLDGS .....434.97
BRANDT, RANDI - CLNT CALLS MLG AUG .....320.16
BREMER CO SHERIFF - DEPUTY TIME.....50.00
BRINCKS, TOM - FISCAL YR19/20 ANL REPORT-STAPLETON TWP .....50.00
BRUENING ROCK PRODUCTS INC - ROCK/ ROADS & DIV 4 PARIAL CONTRACT ROCK...281,306.73
BURGART, ROCKY - WELL PLUGGING REIMB THRU GRANTS TO COUNTIES.....500.00
BUTLER CO REC - ELECTRICITY AT S TOWER, LANDFILL, NASHUA SHOP & INTRSTN LGHTG .....286.41
BUTLER-BREMER MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO. - PHONE/INTERNET CO DEPTS & BLDGS...1,155.43
CARQUEST OF NEW HAMPTON - PARTS & FILTERS.....696.44
CHICKASAW AMBULANCE SRVS - OCT. 2020 AMBULANCE CONTRACT FEE .....16,250.00
CHICKASAW CO SHERIFF - SERVING PAPERS SHER DEPT.....5,819.15
CHICKASAW COUNTY AUDITOR - FY20/21 GEN. LIAB. INS.-EDP, CYBER COV & WC 19.20-LAND USE.....57.10
CJ COOPER & ASSOC INC - RANDOM DRUG TESTING...105.00
COLLINS, JANE - PH CLNT CALLS AUG MLG .....184.80
COME AND SAVE HERE INC - BOX CULVERT MAINT. MTRLS.....341.05
COMFORT SUITES - LDG-S. JOHN-SON- K9 RECERT SCHL-08/02-07/20 .....364.00
Community Memorial Hospital Occupational Hith - HEARING TEST70.00
CONSOLIDATED ENERGY CO - FUEL FOR EQUIPMENT.....847.28
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS INC - BOX CULVERT MAINT. MTRLS .....418.00
CRANE CREEK CEMETERY - GRAVE CARE FOR 2020-29 VETS.....217.50
CRESCO SHOPPER - AD-2020 SUMMER/ FALL TRAVEL & LEISURE GUIDE .....233.00
CROELL INC - BOX CULVERT MAINT. MTRLS .....1,510.00
CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING - COOLER RENTAL -LEMC BLDG .....68.10

- DASH MEDICAL GLOVES INC - SUPPLS CO SHER DEPT .....125.80
KRIVACHEK JANITORIAL SUPPLY - CUST. SUPPLS CO BLDGS & PUBL HLTH-WIPES .....389.70
DIETRICH, ROGER F - WELL PLUGGING REIMB GRANT TO COUNTIES.....500.00
ELLISON, BRAD - ANNL MTG-F'BURG TWP- 08/27/2020...50.00
ESCHWEILER, ANITA - PUB HLTH BACKGROUND CHK REIMB FOR NEW EMPLOYEE .....15.00
FAREWAY STORES INC - SUPPLS CO SHER DEPT & POP-CO CRTHS.....204.36
FARMERS WIN COOPERATIVE - FUEL CO SHER DEPT...835.54
FIVE STAR COOPERATIVE - SUPPLS, FUEL & LP CO SHOP & SHER DEPT .....8,136.40
FLICK, TAMMY - PH CLNT CALLS AUG MLG .....125.76
FLOYD COUNTY - CO. ENGRN EXPENSES-06/15-08/25/2020 .....17,118.77
FREDERICKSBURG, CITY OF - F'BURG SHOP UTLS & INTERSECTION LIGHTING.....67.27
GANSEN, JORDAN - MEAL REIMB FOR SCHOOLING-08/24-28/20 ...101.05
GATR OF CEDAR RAPIDS INC - PARTS .....1,941.13
GEERTS PLUMBING & HEATING INC. - FILTERS FOR AC UNIT - JAIL BLDG .....224.15
HANSON, JENNY - CLNT CALLS MLG AUG .....112.32
HAUSER, JANET - CLNT CALLS MLG AUG .....367.20
HEALTHCARE FIRST - PATIENT SURVEYS/CMS GUIDELINES PUB HLTH .....104.74
HEALTHCARE STRATEGIES INC AUG SRVS SOFTWARE PUB HLTH. 1,200.00
HIRSCH, TERRY H ANNL MTG-DRESDEN TWP- 08/22/2020 .....50.00
INFRASTRUCTURE TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS LLC - CONSULTING HRS WITH DENNY UNGS...230.00
IOWA ASSN BLDG MAINTENANCE - MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL40.00
IOWA ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOC10/13/20 VIRTUAL FALL CONF REG ENV HLTH ASSOC ...20.00
JENDRO INC - GRBG PICKUP CO BLDG.....62.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL - CONS-SUPPLS, TIRE REP, GREASE, PARTS, GLOVES328.64
KIME, ANDREA - CLNT CALLS AUG MLG .....95.04
KNUTSON, ANN - CLNT CALLS MLG AUG .....126.42
KUENNEN, STEVE - FISCAL YR 19/20 ANL RPRT-STAPLETON TWP .....50.00
KWIK TRIP EXTENDED NETWORK - FUEL FOR EQUIPMENT, SHER DEPT .....4,840.12
KWIK TRIP INC - FUEL CO DEPTS.. .....2,011.75
L & R MANUFACTURING LLC - PARTS & SERVICES .....40.78
LAMPSON-BAST, SHELLY - CLNT CALLS MLG AUG .....150.24
LAWSON PRODUCTS INC. - ELECTRICAL SUPPLS .....136.30
LEAF CAPITAL FUNDING LLC - LANIER & CANNON COPIER CONTRACT .....342.72

- LS SUPPLY & RENTAL INC - BOX CULVERT MAINT. MTRLS.....435.50
RASMUSSEN, THERESA - AUG MIG REIMB 40 GREEHOUSES AND PHOTOS.....19.20
RC SYSTEMS INC - BATTERY FOR CODE TO CRTHS SECURITY.....30.00
RELIANCE TELEPHONE SYSTEMS INC - PHONE CARDS -SHER DEPT.....600.00
RILEY'S INC - TONER CO AUD/ DATA PROC, AUG. COPY FEES CO DEPTS & CUST. SUPPLS .....857.20
SCHUETH ACE HARDWARE - ELECTION SUPPLS & PARTS CO BLDGS .....713.78
SMILEMAKERS - PUB HLTH BANDAGES IM CLINIC- IM GRANT ..49.95
STANTON ELECTRIC - ORANGE TAPE- ELECTIONS-SOCIAL DISTANCING.....50.00
STAPLES INC - FLASH DRIVES PUB HLTH.....49.99
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY - WELL SAMPLES TESTING EH AND HERITAGE 7/31 & 8/31.....1,441.50
STEEGE, MARLOWE - ANNL MTG-DRESDEN TWP-08/22/2020 .....50.00
SUPERIOR WELDING SUPPLY CO - WELDING SUPPLS .....65.35
THE SCHNEIDER CORPORATION - QTRLY WEBSITE/ MAP HOSTING .....3,105.00
TREWING PUMPING SERVICE - LEACHATE-AUG. 20- OLD LANDFILL.....500.00
TRITECH FORENSICS - BLOOD/ URINE SPECIMEN COLLECTION KIT .....109.72
VANGUARD PUBLISHING CO LLC - MECHANIC WANTED PUBLS. PUBLIC NOTICE, & HW AD MED SEC.....241.86
VERIZON WIRELESS - CELL SHERIFF 2 AND LAPTOP SRVS IN PATROL CARS & CELL PHONE-PUB HLTH .....896.16
VERN LAURES AUTO CENTER INC - SERVICE & RPRS CO SHER DEPT.....1,085.84
WAYNE'S TRUCK EQUIP & PART INC - SERVICES & TUBES317.28
WELTER, LISA - NURSE VISITS AUG MLG REIMB .....38.40
WENDEL MULLER - OCT. 2020 LEASE-RADLO TOWER PROJECT .....500.00
WEX - GAS ASSR 8.13.20 .....30.62
WHITE, MATTHEW J - WELL PLUGGING REIMB GRANTS TO COUNTIES.....500.00
WINDOW PRODUCTS - BARRIERS/PARTITIONS FOR ELECTIONS.....3,107.31
WINDSTREAM CORPORATION - PHONE AND INTERNET @ COUNTY SHOP & CO ATTY .....383.52
WINNESHIEK COUNTY SHERIFF - HOUSING FOR INMATES.200.00
WOLF, JANE - PH CLNT CALLS AUG MLG.....159.84
WOODRING, JASON - ANNL MTG-F'BURG TWP-08/27/2020.50.00
ZIEGLER INC - EQUIP SUPPLS & FILTERS .....2,631.58
GRAND TOTAL .....411,313.12

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# Bob, Beth and Alex are the latest stories editor can share

One of the reasons I've stayed in newspapers for — gulp — more than 35 years comes down to one word: People.

And as I sit here on yet another Columbus Day I didn't celebrate (seriously, does anyone actually celebrate this holiday?), I'm realizing that you never know who's going to walk through the office door or who you're going to see at a football game or a meeting.

Here's what I do know: They all have a story, and I think that's the reason, despite the crappy hours and the relatively low pay, I don't think I'll ever quite kick journalism to the curb.

God knows how many stories I've written since I first picked up a piece of paper and inserted it into a typewriter back in the 1980s. Yeah, I'm that old. We used typewriters, but at least they were electric and some of them even came with their own "white-out" paper installed into the carriage, too. So there. I'm old, but I'm not ancient.

Some of the stories have been boring — insert any government meeting here — but seriously, most of them have been a joy to write. Some have been emotional. Some have been funny. And some have just been heartwarming enough to make me cry, although truth be told, I'm not one of those tough, stoic, old guys; instead, I'm one of those wussies who fights back tears way too often, or so



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some would say.

**THIS PAST WEEK** I was reminded of one of those fun stories I was able to do.

It was several years ago, and Bob Hauer was wrapping up a storied career as a youth tumbling instructor.

Here was this man in his 60s, running around the New Hampton Community Center's main room, watching kids one-10th his age do cartwheels, flips and more. And he was a patient, but kind, teacher, too.

I can't remember the little girl's name, but on Bob Hauer's last day of a tumbling teaching career that lasted for almost 30 years, she was so excited because she finally nailed a cartwheel.

"You see, I told you that you could do it," he said as he gave her a high five. "Believe in yourself and keep working. That's all you need."

I had met Bob a few years before when he came in to see his sister, our longtime sports editor and current part-time jack-of-all-trades, Dorothy Huber.

Some days when Dorothy was out napping — I mean eating lunch at the park — he'd tell me stories about his hitchhiking days, and I'd be busting a gut by the time he said, "I can't wait any longer; tell Dorothy, the best looking Hauer stopped in to see her."

Bob was also a stickler for grammar and correct writing, and one of the things I still struggle with to this day is my use of tenses. I'll mix them up every now and then, and he'd chide me about it.

Bob Hauer passed away last Thursday, and when Dorothy sent us the text, I was saddened because the world lost a unique individual.

And after a while, I smiled, recalling the time he walked into the Tribune newsroom, gave me a look and then a big smile.

"Tense, Mr. Fenske, tense," he said. "You went all over the place in your column last week."

And then that mischievous smile that was so Bob Hauer formed. "I'm watching you, buddy."

**A COUPLE OF** days after hearing the news of Bob's death, I traveled to rural Sumner to watch the "reveal" of the new bedrooms created for Tiffany, Duncan and Beau Slick by Heavenly Days Dream Rooms.

I've written a novel on the woman behind the project the last two weeks, but to see those two little boys and their mother enduring and battling through their husband's and dad's death hit me. Hit me like a Joe Frazier punch.

I fought back the tears as I watched the kids see their rooms and Tiffany give Beth Henningson a long and meaningful hug. I snapped my pictures, conducted by interviews and headed back to New Hampton.

And somewhere between Highways 18 and 24, I thought to myself, "Wow, I made it without crying."

Well, turns out I didn't. A mile down the road, I thought of Duncan Slick's "Oh-my-God" comment and the tears flowed.

**IN BETWEEN THE** news of Bob's death and the bedroom reveals, I covered the New Hampton football game.

The result wasn't what I wanted, but there was a magical moment, at least for a softie like me, in that game as No. 15 trotted out with the New Hampton defense.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

**New Hampton senior Alex Kriener lines up at defensive back during the Chickasaws' game against Independence this past Friday night.**

Alex Kriener was injured late in the game of the Chickasaws' opener with Charles City on Aug. 28. It was painful to watch him watch his teammates celebrate as he stood on crutches along the sidelines, and a few days later, I learned the news wasn't good for the senior.

The chances of his returning to the football field in 2020 were slim to none.

"I'm not going to lie," Kriener told me Sunday night, "I was pretty devastated. I mean we ran, we lifted and all that this summer and we were so grateful that we were going to have a season. And it's football, you know? It's not like you get the guys together and play pickup tackle games."

A second opinion, though, showed that his injury was twofold — a slight spiral fracture of the non-weight bearing part of the femur (didn't know that part of the femur existed until Sunday but now I do) and a tear of the MCL.

Surgery would not be needed; physical therapy could take care of the

problem.

And it did.

A couple of weeks ago, he dressed for the Oelwein game and Friday night, he played against Independence. And God willing, he'll play this Friday against Forest City.

I've said it over and over, there is nothing quite worse than watching a senior play his last high school football game. All these years, I've been wrong.

Turns out there's nothing worse than seeing a senior's high school football career end too soon because of an injury.

"If I could have only played one play, I just wanted to get back out there," Kriener said. "I know it's just football, it's just a game, but to be able to play Friday ... it was just the greatest feeling."

**SO I COME** to the end, but before I do, I will express my gratitude to the Bob Hauer, the Beth Henningsons and the Alex Krieners of the world. Your stories keep me going.

## Letters to the Editor

### Prichard is compassionate, courageous representative

Allow us to share a personal story: Our grandson, Kaden, had become very ill, and was diagnosed with Crohn's Disease two days after his ninth birthday. The G.I. Doctor at Blank's Children's Hospital, Des Moines, prescribed an infusion of infliximab ASAP. The insurance company denied Kaden's treatment. We reached out to Representative Todd Prichard, who wasted no time in helping us. Even when Rep. Prichard was called to his two week National Guard training, his staffer, Jake, was instructed to progress in this fight.

We are grateful to Rep. Prichard and staff for their tireless efforts; Kaden's medication was approved. He continues to receive an infusion every six weeks, and is doing well.

Todd Prichard's comment after the approval was, "I'm sorry you had to work the system, the system should work for you!"

Rep. Prichard works hard for the Iowa people to have the right system. Because of his military background, Todd Prichard is not only trained to serve, but has a passion to serve. I STRONGLY URGE YOU to mark TODD PRICHARD's name on your ballot. We must keep this great, compassionate, courageous, family man in our State Government working for us.

**Dave and Joanna VanDeBerg, Sumner**

### Feenstra knows how to work both side of the aisle

The way I see politics, it isn't complicated. It's about doing the right thing and delivering for your neighbors. That's why I'm running for Iowa Senate, and it's why my friend Randy Feenstra is running for US Congress.

I mention Randy because he shares this mindset, and together, with that understanding, we were able to get a lot of good done. We've had this conversation together countless times in the Senate, and this approach to politics guided much of what we were able to accomplish.

For example, when we helped first-time farmers, we did it because it was the right thing to do. Folks just getting started on the farm were having a tough time and needed some help, so we helped. Simple. When we cut taxes, we did it because small businesses and working families needed relief. Our neighbors needed help, and we delivered.

We also know how to work across the aisle to get things done. Like when we passed Logan's Law, the organ donor law in honor of Logan Luft. That bill passed unanimously in the Iowa House and Iowa Senate.

Politics shouldn't be divisive or complicated. I think we need more people in government that share our philosophy: do the right thing and deliver for your neighbors. That's why I'm running for re-election to the Iowa Senate, and why I'm asking you to support my friend, Randy Feenstra, for Congress.

**State. Sen. Waylon Brown, St. Ansgar**

### Trump needs to be 'fired' when voters go to the polls

A message to Donald Trump: Mr. President what's happening now should be a wakeup call for you. Climate change you haven't taken seriously, and now COVID-19 shows just how vulnerable and fragile our planet is.

Your tendency to blame everyone but yourself, you should take a lesson from Harry S. Truman's "The Buck Stops Here," and if you're too stupid to figure out that means, it starts with the man making the decisions sitting behind the desk in the Oval Office.

Too bad Rod Serling isn't around, what a story he could write. Not being sarcastic but come November, maybe we will have the opportunity to use your catch phrase and say, "Donald Trump, you're fired." Don't let the door hit you in the [butt] on the way out. Maybe there's a job waiting for you at FOX News or as a fill-in for Rush Limbaugh.

This upcoming election, though, is not about Republicans vs. Democrats. It is about doing the right thing.

From what I could see, the only Republican senator that showed any moral character was Mitt Romney. He showed a "Profiles in Courage" moment when he voted for Trump's impeachment. This is not about party affiliation. Remember Donald Trump was at one time a Democrat, and I know in good conscious, I could not stand by and have voted for him.

The moral compass of our country is in jeopardy if we vote this guy in for a second term.

**Jim Forkenbrock, New Hampton**



Dorothy Huber/Tribune

**Turkey Valley's Oliver Schmitt (above) scores a touchdown in the third quarter while teammate Garrett Kurtenbach (below) makes a tackle during Friday's game against North Iowa.**

## North Iowa rallies from 36-14 deficit to beat Trojans

### TV FOOTBALL: FROM 19

way we wanted," said Trojan sophomore Noah Hanson, one of those players that stepped up. His kick return late in the first half went for a 74-yard touchdown and, with a Calvin Langreck to Carson Busta conversion, gave the Trojans a 24-14 lead at the half.

"I saw a hole, it was pretty easy on my part," said Hanson of the team's first kick return for a score this year.

After a halftime rest, Hanson took the opening second-half kickoff and accelerated quickly, getting to the North Iowa 11, and Langreck connected with Chase Hayek for a nine-yard score and a 30-14 lead. Later in that quarter, after Robert Kruse made a tackle for loss on a 4th-and-1 and Turkey Valley took over on downs, freshman Oliver Schmitt — who went in as fullback for Herold — dove for a 3-yard touchdown.

Turkey Valley had converted on its first three scores of the night, but the final two conversions failed, and those points would later prove to be the downfall.

There was only 2:34 remaining in the third quarter after the Schmitt touchdown gave the TV boys a 36-14 lead, and on the first North Iowa play from scrimmage, with pressure from Kruse on the quarterback, Hanson picked off the pass and the Trojans had the ball back.

"Yeah, I thought that would have been the dagger," said Hanson. But Turkey Valley turned the ball over on downs and the Bison, who used an effective option play, scored as time ran out in the third quarter, got the ball back on a questionable interception and scored again.

"That was a new offense for us to see," Hanson said. "But we knew it was coming, [the option] was their go-to play.



And they got a break on that interception, the ball hit the ground but the ref didn't see it."

North Iowa took its first lead of the game with 2:14 left in the fourth quarter. An onside kick was recovered by Troy Schmitt and the Trojans advanced, with a nice gain on a Langreck-to-Calvin Bodensteiner sideline completion, before the Bison effectively ended the game with an interception.

"We failed to maintain several drives late in the game that would have allowed us to be victorious," coach Mark Scott said. "The players fought through some adversity and played hard."

"A couple of players ended up playing in their first varsity game (Oliver Schmitt and Burke Busta) but rose to the occasion and gave it their all. When you are playing younger players against older players fatigue can haunt you late in the game. I believe that is what happened, when our tackling became an issue."

Langreck was 8-for-15 passing for 145 yards, with Bodensteiner the leading receiver with 55 yards on three catches. A leaping grab by Bodensteiner on the first Trojan possession led to the first score of the game, on a Langreck-to-Garrett Kurtenbach 12-yard completion. Hanson caught the 2-point conversion, and in the first play of the second quarter it was Hanson to score on a 6-yard run and Kurtenbach to catch the conversion.

Hanson caught two passes for 46 yards, led the rushing with 60 yards on nine attempts and went 133 yards on two kickoff returns.

Defensively, Kurtenbach led the way with 8.5 tackles, including five solo stops. Kruse turned in eight tackles and Carson Busta, before leaving with an injury, gathered seven.

Turkey Valley will take a 3-4 record into its postseason when it will travel to Kee High Friday for the first round of playoffs. The Kee Hawks are 4-3 and led

by junior Damon Weber, the top passer, rusher and defensive player.

NORTH IOWA 38,		TURKEY VALLEY 36	
NI	8	6	8
TV	8	16	12

**FIRST QUARTER**  
TV - Garrett Kurtenbach 12 pass from Calvin Langreck (Noah Hanson pass from Langreck) 5:11.  
NI - Max Schaefer 1 run (Tyler Murray run) 2:21.

**SECOND QUARTER**  
TV - Hanson 6 run (Kurtenbach pass from Langreck) 11:48  
NI - Riley Sabin 6 run (run failed) 1:32.  
TV - Hanson 74 kickoff return (Carson Busta pass from Langreck) 1:20.

**THIRD QUARTER**  
TV - Chase Hayek 9 pass from Langreck (run failed) 10:24.  
TV - Oliver Schmitt 2 run (pass failed) 2:34.  
NI - R Sabin 55 run (Schaefer run) 0:00.

**FOURTH QUARTER**  
NI - 37 pass Brett Doege to Logan Sabin (R Sabin run) 6:28.  
NI -16 yd run Murray ( Schaefer run) 2:14.

TEAM STATISTICS		
	NI	TV
Rushes-yds	40-268	41-141
Passing yds	124	145
Total yds	392	286
Att-comp-int	20-11-1	16-8-2

**TURKEY VALLEY INDIVIDUAL STATS**  
Rushing - Noah Hanson 9-60, Oliver Schmitt 11-33, Calvin Langreck 13-31, Marcus Herold 4-20, Carson Busta 4 (-3).  
Passing - Langreck 8-15-145, Hanson 0-1-0.  
Receiving - Calvin Bodensteiner 3-55, Hanson 2-46, Schmitt 1-23, Garrett Kurtenbach 1-12, Chase Hayek 1-9.  
Tackles - Kurtenbach 8.5, Robert Kruse 8, Busta 7, Bodensteiner 5.5, Hayek 5, Collin Kleppe 5, Ryan Franzen 3, Herold 2, Burke Busta 1.5, Hanson 1.5, Schmitt 1, Troy Schmitt 1.  
Tackles for loss - Kruse 1.  
Interceptions - Hanson 1-4.  
Kick returns - Hanson 2-133, C. Busta 1-24, Langreck 1-10, T. Schmitt 1-0.  
Punt return - Hanson 1-1.  
Kicking - Dani Tinajero 4-136, Herold 2-62.  
Punts - O. Schmitt 1-39.

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# Turkey Valley, New Hampton runners post top-10 finishes at South Winn

By **BOB FENSKE**  
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Evidently, Turkey Valley Cambree Kruse plans on staying in the "21s" and who knows? The way the junior is running, she may make it into the 20s. Kruse, who broke the 22-minute barrier at the Crestwood Invitational the preceding weekend, did it again at last Tuesday's South Winneshiek Invitational. "I don't want this to be a one-time thing," Kruse said after her run in

Cresco. "I want to keep getting better, I want that time to go down even further." So after running a 21:52 at Cresco, Kruse put up a 21:33.67 at Calmar on Tuesday as the Trojan girls finished fifth in the 11-team meet. Jalyssa Blazek finished second in a time of 20:11.54. New Hampton, meanwhile, got yet another top-10 finish from sophomore Ali Russler as she finished sixth in a time of 21:16.17. On the boys side, New Hampton's

Dylan Usher continued his string of top-five finishes as he took fourth in a time of 17:40.92. The Chickasaws finished fourth in the team standings. **GIRLS TEAM SCORES (52 RUNNERS)** Decorah 54, South Winneshiek 54, Waukon 101, Central 108, Turkey Valley 108, Postville 115, Nashua-Plainfield 119, New Hampton 160, MFL-Mar-Mac 194. Clayton Ridge and Prairie did not field full teams. Individual winner: Rebecca Anderson (D) 19:09.68. New Hampton results: 6. Ali Russler 21:16.17, 37. Catherine Pethoud 24:38.35, 39. Grace Burrett 25:13.35, 40. Campbell

Kolbet 25:13.52, 41. Natalie Marr 25:44.53. Turkey Valley results: 2. Jalyssa Blazek 20:11.54, 9. Cambree Kruse 21:33.67, 18. Jaycie Byrne 22:23.55, 36. Rosalie Busta 24:38.06, 45. Hailey Elsbend 26:29.67, 51. Kourtney Schmidt 29:09.87. New Hampton JV results: 55. Bailey Cox 29:18.18, 64. Michaela Schwickerath 34:58.03. **BOYS TEAM RESULTS (49 RUNNERS)** Decorah 20, South Winneshiek 66, Waukon 74, New Hampton 98, Clayton Ridge 117, Nashua-Plainfield 163, MFL-Mar-Mac 178, Central and Postville did not field full teams. Individual winner: Brady Hogan (D)

16:22.77. New Hampton results: 4. Dylan Usher 17:40.92, 23. Treyce Orr 18:50.19, 24. Cam McMorris 19:13.51, 25. Hayden Hauser 19:25.68, 26. PJ Anderson 19:26.93, 27. Jack Shawver 19:27.20, 39. Kaiser Croell 20:59.87. New Hampton JV results: 22. Aydin Ries 21:06.20, 34. Lance Reicks 22:11.10, 47. Ashton McShane 23:46.90, 50. Kyler Glenn 24:12.40, 57. Carter Newbrough 24:47.00, 59. Jake Frahm 25:03.90, 63. Landon Bruess 25:58.30, 73. Isaiiah Eike 34:47.50. Turkey Valley JV results: 20. Dale Schwamman 20:58.60, 58. Luke Langreck 24:54.40, 68. Nelson Reicks 28:14.20.

# Turkey Valley splits at home triangular

## Trojans fall to ranked St. Ansgar, bounce back with a rout of Waukon

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**  
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Ethan Adams words ran prophetic in the hallway just outside the Turkey Valley gymnasium on Monday night. Little did he know at the time, but the team his Trojan volleyball team just succumbed to in two sets last week - No. 9 St. Ansgar - could well be on the radar screen once regional competition gets under way next week. That's exactly how the post-season could play out. Turkey Valley will get its chance at revenge against the Saints, which topped the Trojans in two sets (25-20, 25-19) last Monday, Oct. 5 at TV's home triangular that also included Waukon.

TV senior middle Ali Hoffert's dink would be as close as TV would get late, down 24-20. After trailing 4-0 in the second set, the Trojans came storming back to tie it 10-all. Trojan freshman Halle Weber's ace gave TV a lead at 11-10. A 5-0 Saint run saw TV staring at a 15-11 deficit. Brooklyn Hackbart, a 5-10 senior hitter, ended the match with one of her six kills on the night. "We were right there in the middle of both sets. We let some mistakes in the later parts of our rotation create too much separation. We made late runs in both, but they are just too good of a team to give a lead to like that late in sets," said Adams. Hoffert managed 18 kills in the two matches. Hoffert worked her defense to that same total in digs. She talked about the close-knit group of girls she calls teammates. "We're a really good group of girls. As a team I feel like we're all really close. We bond well together," said Hoffert. "It does show on the court. We're pretty scrappy. We communicate pretty well with each other."



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Saylor Drilling receives a serve during Turkey Valley's triangular that was held last Monday.

TV junior setter Josie Weber was 22-22 serving with an ace. She also helped pace TV's offense with a combined 26 assists. TV junior Kourtney Schmidt had 8 kills on the night. If TV gets past Kee, they'll take on the winner between Central Elkader and Tripoli in the next round of Class 1A post-season play on Wednesday, Oct. 21 on TV's home floor. "Honestly, the future is our hands. If we play well, we have a lot of potential," said Hoffert. TV finishes the regular season at home versus Kee tonight (Tuesday) and Central Elkader on Thursday. "We just played nine dates and 14 matches in 14 days. That was a pretty brutal stretch. These girls have been able to respond. We just played the No. 11 team, 25-20, and I think there's more to give," Adams added.

**ST. ANSGAR 2, TURKEY VALLEY 0**  
St. Ansgar 25 25  
Turkey Valley 20 19  
Kills - Ali Hoffert 9, Kourtney Schmidt 3, Aleah Hackman 2, Sophia Adams 2, Kylie Wurzer 1.  
Assists - Josie Weber 14, Wurzer 1.  
Digs - Hoffert 8, J. Weber 7, Clare Courtney 4, Halle Weber 3, Saylor Drilling 2, Adams 2, Schmidt 1, Hackman 1.  
Serving - J. Weber 9-9, Hoffert 8-8, Drilling 4-5, Schmidt 3-4, Adams 3-3, H. Weber 8-9.  
Aces - Schmidt 1, H. Weber 1.  
**TURKEY VALLEY 2, WAUKON 0**  
Waukon 11 18  
Turkey Valley 25 25  
Kills - Hoffert 9, Schmidt 5, Wurzer 2, J. Weber 1, Adams 1.  
Assists - J. Weber 12, Wurzer 1, H. Weber 1.  
Digs - Hoffert 10, Wurzer 8, J. Weber 6, H. Weber 5, Courtney 5, Schmidt 4, Adams 4.  
Blocks - J. Weber 0.5, Hoffert 0.5.  
Serving - J. Weber 13-13, Hoffert 4-5, Drilling 9-10, Schmidt 3-3, Adams 6-6, H. Weber 11-13.  
Aces - J. Weber 1, Hoffert 1, Drilling 1, Schmidt 1, H. Weber 1.

# Turkey Valley enjoys its day in Riceville

## Trojans go 4-0 at Saturday tournament

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**  
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There were many superlatives to focus on in Turkey Valley's four matches at Riceville on Saturday. Perhaps none more important than the job junior setter Josie Weber continues to do for TV this season in a vast array of areas critical to success in the sport of volleyball. Weber - a varsity starter for the Trojans since her freshman year - recorded her 1,000th career assist in the 4-4 outing for head coach Ethan Adams' squad. Adams praised his talented table-setter. "Josie is an all-around example of a great student-athlete. She is positive and fun and wants the best for her team at all times. She is almost always the last one in our gym and never leaves without thanking our coaching staff," said Adams. Weber has recorded 423 assists on the season. Turkey Valley ran its record to 16-6 overall after sweeping Postville (0-12) and the host-school Wildcats (0-10). Then TV got past Kee (3-8) High and Clarksville (4-11) in three to run the tournament unscathed. The Trojans will face Kee High twice more before all is said and done in 2020. TV kicks off Class 1A post-season play against Kee on Monday, Oct. 19. The Trojans finish off the regular season at home in dates versus Kee on Tuesday (tonight) and Central Elkader on Thursday. TV senior Ali Hoffert has been awfully impressive this season out on the court. She notched 36 kills during the tournament. Hoffert is one of the best hitters in the small-school class in the state of Iowa and is listed among the elite in 1A. She is top 5 in Class 1A in kills (252), kills per set (4.3) and kill efficiency (.407). Plenty of Trojans made contributions in all four victories and made an impact in the morning matches all the way into the afternoon. That translated into Turkey Valley being crowned champion

of the round-robin tournament. "I was moving players around all day. This tournament gives me the opportunity to get everyone a lot of touches," said Adams. We had a fairly good day as a team. We went in this believing that we were the team to beat, but that means you are going to get everyone's best."

**TURKEY VALLEY 2, POSTVILLE 0**  
Turkey Valley 21 21  
Postville 14 7  
Kills - Ali Hoffert 5, Josie Weber 3, Kourtney Schmidt 3, Saylor Drilling 2, Aleah Hackman 2, Sofia Adams 1, Kylie Wurzer 1.  
Assists - Weber 12, Schmidt 1.  
Digs - Halle Weber 6, Wurzer 6, J. Weber 3, Jacquyn Schmitt 2, Clare Courtney 2, Schmidt 2, Adams 2, Hoffert 2, Drilling 1.  
Blocks - Hackman 2, Wurzer 1, Hoffert 1, Adams 1.  
Serving - J. Weber 5-5, Hoffert 4-4, Drilling 4-4, Schmidt 5-5, Schmidt 8-9, Adams 8-8, H. Weber 4-6.  
Aces - Drilling 2, Schmitt 1, Schmidt 1, H. Weber 1.  
**TURKEY VALLEY 2, RICEVILLE 0**  
Turkey Valley 21 21  
Riceville 6 12  
Kills - Hoffert 10, Schmidt 4, Wurzer 2, J. Weber 1, Brianna Busta 1.  
Assists - J. Weber 12, Drilling 5, Wurzer 2.  
Digs - Wurzer 8, H. Weber 7, J. Weber 5, Hoffert 5, Courtney 4, Raegan Kime 2.  
Blocks - Hoffert 1.  
Serving - J. Weber 10-10, Hoffert 3-5, Drilling 5-5, Schmitt 2-2, Schmidt 6-7, Adams 2-3, H. Weber 10-11.  
Aces - H. Weber 1, Drilling 1, Hoffert 1, J. Weber 1.  
**TURKEY VALLEY 2, KEE HIGH 1**  
Turkey Valley 21 20  
Lansing Kee 9 22 11  
Kills - Hoffert 12, Schmidt 3, Wurzer 3, Adams 3, J. Weber 2, Hackman 2, Drilling 1.  
Assists - J. Weber 21, Hackman 1.  
Digs - Wurzer 4, Kime 2, Busta 1, J. Weber 5, Hoffert 10, Drilling 2, Schmidt 1, Courtney 8, Adams 2, H. Weber 5.  
Blocks - J. Weber 2, Hoffert 2.  
Serving - J. Weber 8-8, Hoffert 14-14, Drilling 9-10, Schmidt 1-1, Schmidt 7-7, Adams 4-4, H. Weber 10-11.  
Aces - Hoffert 4, J. Weber 1, Drilling 1, Schmidt 1.  
**TURKEY VALLEY 2, CLARKSVILLE 1**  
Turkey Valley 21 24 15  
Clarksville 10 28 11  
Kills - Hoffert 9, Drilling 3, Hackman 3, Schmidt 3, Adams 3, Wurzer 2.  
Assists - Wurzer 11, Schmitt 9.  
Digs - Hoffert 14, Courtney 12, Wurzer 6, Kime 10, Drilling 5, Hackman 1, Schmitt 4, Schmidt 1.  
Blocks - Hoffert 4, Hackman 3, Adams 1, Wurzer 1.  
Serving - Kime 3 3-3, Busta 0-1, Hoffert 14-15, Drilling 10-10, Hackman 1-1, Schmitt 9-13, Schmidt 9-10, Adams 6-6.  
Aces - Hoffert 3, Schmidt 2, Schmitt 2, Drilling 2.

# New Hampton frosh lose first game in finale

It began as a shootout; it ended with the New Hampton freshman football team suffering its first loss of the season. The first five possessions of the game produced touchdowns, but then New Hampton's offense went dormant and Independence kept cranking out points as the Mustangs beat the Chickasaws 46-22. "Coach [Terry] Sittig and I felt we were not mentally ready to play our last football game tonight," New Hampton coach Dennis Pagel said after his team ended the season 4-1. "We were very flat starting off. We gave up too many big plays in this game. We must do a better job of being mentally ready to start

the game. We must do a better job of staying home and making tackles as this group of young men prepare to play varsity football over the next few years." The Chickasaws took a 16-14 lead in the first quarter as Braden McShane scored on a 6-yard touchdown run and Kael Myers hauled in a 22-yard pass from Ty Robinson while McShane scored twice on two-point runs. But Independence responded with a 20-point second quarter and finished the night with 535 total yards. McShane finished the night with 94 yards on 13 carries while Robinson had a solid game at

quarterback as he completed 9 of 16 passes for 128 yards. The Chickasaws' defense was led by McShane, who had 9.5 tackles while Myers and Marshall Zeien added 4.5 apiece. **INDEE 46, NEW HAMPTON 22**  
Indee 14 20 0 6 6 - 46  
NH 16 0 0 6 - 22  
**NEW HAMPTON SCORING**  
Braden McShane 6 run (McShane run)  
Kael Myers 22 pass from Ty Robinson (McShane run)  
McShane 9 run (run failed)  
**TEAM STATS**  
First downs 16 9  
Rushes-yards 40-322 22-103  
Passing yards 213 128  
Total yards 535 231  
Att-Comp-Int 16-10-1 16-9-1

**NEW HAMPTON STATS**  
Rushing - Braden McShane 13-94, Talyn Bohaty 2-8, Ty Robinson 4-5, Kael Myers 2-1, Kam Josephson 1-(-5).  
Passing - Robinson 9-16-1 - 128.  
Receiving - Bohaty 4-62, McShane 4-44, Myers 1-22.  
Tackles - McShane 9.5, Myers 4.5, Marshall Zeien 4.5, Robinson 3.5, Leander Reicks 3.5, Bohaty 3, Ethan Praska 3, Ethan Swehla 2.5, Josephson 2, Nick Brincks 1, Reece Luna 1, Olandreon Saunders 1, Carter Broughton 1, Ty Shekleton 0.5, Hunter Humpal 0.5, Tucker Terrell 0.5.  
Kickoffs - Shekleton 4-40.5.  
Punts - McShane 3-45.0.  
Kickoff returns - Bohaty 3-9.7, McShane 2-8.5, Myers 2-7, Praska 1-0.



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NH FOOTBALL: FROM 19

2020 for New Hampton. "Our kids played hard, very hard," said New Hampton coach Scott Frerichs, whose team will open the postseason at Forest City this Friday. "Obviously, 14-0 would have been huge, but it's another game, where we're one play away from getting our defense off the field." Earlier this season, New Hampton suffered two one-point losses to Iowa Falls-Alden and North Fayette Valley. Throw in Friday's game, and the Chickasaws have lost three games by a total of seven points. "Five-and-2 sound a lot better than 2-5," Frerichs said, "but we can't change it. We just have to move forward ... if you're going to have a year to go 2-5, I guess this is it." That's because the Iowa High School Athletic Association shortened the regular season to seven games this year and is letting everyone — just like every other high school sport in the state — into the postseason. Still, Friday night was a bitter pill to swallow. New Hampton did so many things right and still came out on the wrong end of the final score. Three times in the first half, Independence drove into New Hampton territory and three times the Mustangs were denied. Meanwhile, New Hampton's offense came to life late in the second quarter. New Hampton used eight plays to go 45 yards, and quarterback Mason Lane, filling in for the ill Conner Rochford, found Drake Wemark on a fade route for an 8-yard touchdown pass with 1:15 to go in the half. "Mason threw a nice ball, and Drake does what Drake does, he went and got it," Frerichs said. Independence, though, used two big pass plays to get the ball inside the New Hampton 10-yard line, and after a short running play, the Chickasaw defense responded. Wemark knocked away a pass, Ryan Pickar came up with a sack and Brady Speltz perfectly defended a fade pass in the end zone

to preserve the lead going into halftime.

"We felt good, we had the lead and we're going to get the ball to start the second half," Frerichs said. "Our defense gave up yards, but it came up big when it really mattered."

Although New Hampton's first drive of the second half netted just one first down, the Chickasaws caught a break on the punt that was mishandled by Independence and sophomore Isaac Howe alertly fell on the loose ball.

Seven plays later, Ferrie found the end zone on a 3-yard run, and after a short celebration, he caught a glimpse of the yellow flag on the field.

"I've looked at that play a million times," Ferrie said, "and I still can't see anything close to a holding. That's frustrating to me."

And then it went south for New Hampton. After turning the ball over on downs, New Hampton gave up an 89-yard drive, was forced into a three-and-out and saw Independence go 85 yards to take the lead.

The New Hampton defense was led by Avery Thronson, who had 8.5 tackles while Cade Murray added eight. Durnan had seven, Moorman 6.5 and Ferrie, playing outside linebacker for the first time in his career, finished with 6.

"I loved it out there," Ferrie said, "and now, I wish I would have been playing there the whole time. I know we gave up too many yards, but I thought defensively, we did what we had to do."

Independence's Macus Beatty came into the game averaging 203 yards a game on the ground and had 167 yards on 37 carries.

"He's a good player, I'm not saying that," Frerichs said, "but we did a good job limiting him. What we weren't expecting was how well they passed, and the tough part about that, is we got great pressure on him."

New Hampton finished with four sacks and pressured Johnson numerous times, yet the Mustangs' sophomore quarterback was 13-for-19 for 220 yards.

So now, the Chickasaws will



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**New Hampton's Ryan Pickar and Carter Ferrie (above) put pressure on Independence quarter back Mitchell Johnson while Jacob Burgart (below) has the Mustangs' Marcus Beatty by the ankle as a host of teammates come up to hold Beatty to a short gain in Friday night's game.**

prepare for Forest City, a team the Chickasaws routed 43-6 a year ago.

The Indians missed two games because of COVID-19 and went 3-2 during the regular season.

"They have a good running back in the [Reese] Moore kid and we're going to have to stop that," Frerichs said, "but then again, we've had to do that all year. We played a schedule where it seemed everyone had really, good running backs. Our guys have bounced back all year, and I know they'll be ready Friday."

The winner of Friday's game will travel to Waukon, which has an opening-round bye, on Friday, Oct. 23.

INDEPENDENCE 12, NEW HAMPTON 7			
Indee	0	0	6
NH	0	7	0
SECOND QUARTER			
NH - Drake Wemark	8	pass from Mason Lane (Ivan Camarillo kick),	1:15.
THIRD QUARTER			
I - Marcus Beatty	3	run (pass failed),	1:46.
FOURTH QUARTER			
I - Jake Sidles	7	pass from Mitchell Johnson (run failed),	8:17.
TEAM STATS			
	I	NH	
First downs	18	9	
Rushes-yards	44-170	39-92	
Passing yards	220	67	
Total yards	390	159	
Att-Comp-Int	19-13-1	14-9-1	



**NEW HAMPTON STATS**  
 Rushing - Carter Ferrie 32-77, Ryan Pickar 3-7, Avery Thronson 3-6, Carson Babcock 1-2.  
 Passing - Mason Lane 9-14-1 - 67.  
 Receiving - Drake Wemark 3-34, Nathan O'Donnell 3-29, Alex Kriener 1-8, Carson Babcock 1-1, Ferrie 1-(5).  
 Tackles - Avery Thronson 8.5, Cade Murray 8, Jacob Durnan 7, Landon Moorman 6.5, Carter Ferrie 6, Pickar 5, Jacob Burgart 4.5, Brady Speltz 4, Kriener 3, Wemark 3, Tyler Reicks 2.5, Jacob Reicks 1.5, Isaac Howe 1, Colton Rochford 0.5.  
 Tackles for loss - Durnan 2, Pickar 1.5, Ferrie 1.5, T. Reicks 0.5, J. Reicks 0.5.  
 Sacks - Ferrie 1.5, Durnan 1.5, Pickar 1.  
 Fumble recoveries - Howe 1.  
 Interceptions - Wemark 1-8.  
 Kickoffs - Ivan Camarillo 2-44.0.  
 Punts - Durnan 5-46.8.  
 Kickoff returns - O'Donnell 1-6.  
 Punt returns - Wemark 2-3.5.

## Chickasaw Women's Pool

**Week 3 October 7**

Butch's	17	10	--
Josie's I	16	11	1
Schucky's	14	13	3
Hide-A-Way	12	15	5
Josie's II	12	15	5
Bowlaway	10	17	7

**Results**  
 Schucky 6, Bowlaway Lanes 3  
 Butch's 5, Josie's I 4  
 Hide-A-Way 5, Josie's 2  
**THREE GAME WINNERS:**  
 Schucky's: Ann Heying and Michelle Good  
 Butch's: Missey Haekman and Tina Britt

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Pearson Trucking	53	37
Stanton Electric	47	43
ASO	45.5	44.5
Pocketful of Posies	44.5	45.5
The Blue Iris	43.5	46.5
Larson Painting	36.5	53.5

**RESULTS:**  
 Larson Painting 11, Pocketful of Posies 19; Blue Iris 15, ASO 15; Pearson Trucking 14, Stanton Electric 16.  
**HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAMES:**  
 D. Nehl.....254-256  
 L. Novak .....244  
 R. Buttolph .....228  
**HIGH INDIVIDUAL SERIES:**  
 D. Nehl.....686  
 L. Novak .....620  
 R. Buttolph .....603  
**HIGH TEAM GAMES:**  
 Pearson Trucking.....848  
 Blue Iris.....833  
 Pocketful of Posies .....832  
**HIGH TEAM SERIES:**  
 Pocketful of Posies .....2442  
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 Blue Iris.....2390

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## Coach likes Chickasaws' grit at home meet

NH XC: FROM 19

For the first time ever, runners took to the newly-designed airport park course just northwest of New Hampton where entrants navigated their way around the scenic lake that is featured on the campground.

The course was not perfect - runners complained of potholes and trekking down a gravel road near the entrance of the park. But Ohrt hopes those aforementioned problems as well as other potential alterations will be addressed in the future. That could make the site a regular staple to host NH's home meet.

In year's past, the Chickasaws have held its home meet at the country club golf course near the eastern edge of New Hampton.

"As far as the course is concerned, we have a few changes we plan to make and we'll request a little more rain next year (the ground was pretty hard). But with everything considered, I think we hosted a great meet on an absolutely gorgeous night," said Ohrt.

The New Hampton boys finished runner-up at the meet to Valley Lutheran - 84-77. Junior Chickasaw Dylan Usher once again proved he's one of the best runners in the state with a third-place finish in 17:55.

Usher is ranked 16th in Class 2A by the Iowa Track Coaches Association. He is gunning for his first state berth and he'll have an opportunity next week at districts to see if he cracks the field down at Fort Dodge.

NH sophomore Treyce Orr finished 17th in a time of 19:26. Fellow 10th-grader P.J. Anderson wasn't far behind him in the 20th slot (19:45). Sophomore Hayden Hauser was 22nd (19:49), freshman Jack Shawver 26th (20:07) and freshman Cam McMorris finished 29th in 20:22.

The New Hampton girls team engineered a sixth-place result with 138 points.

Chickasaw sophomore Ali Russler earned another medal with a top-10 finish in 22:52 - good for eighth-place.

Two New Hampton runners - sophomore Campbell Kolbet (33rd) and senior Grace Burrett (36th) - are thankful their decision to go out for cross country has worked out as well as it has.

Each is in their second year of competing in the sport and while they aren't near the front of the pack at most races, that hasn't deterred their enthusiasm to be part of a team that has fun running and gets along well.

"We were both not knowing what to expect at all," said Kolbet. "It's been really good for both of



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

**New Hampton's girls varsity team gets out of the "box" while Aydin Ries earns a spot on the varsity team as he wins the JV race at last week's New Hampton Invitational.**

us. It's definitely going to be the highlight of my high school career, I think - just as a team."

Kolbet's time of 25:11 was just ahead of Burrett's 25:39.

"I really like the team. It's a really good team atmosphere. We're all really supportive of each other, no matter if we win or lose. We are always happy for each other," said Kolbet.

Regardless of who finished in front of who, the two have become good friends and they hope to continue running even after their high school careers are over.

"Campbelle's like my little sister," smiled Burrett.

Burrett plans to attend Wartburg College in Waverly after graduation and will major in exercise science - which is the study of body movements in the field of a fitness-centered endeavor.

While this is Burrett's first and last time running at her home meet, she's glad she gave cross country a shot.

"I just fell in love with it," said Burrett. "There's some people that are just blessed with speed, but even if you're not - it's all like personal goals. You're out there running a 5K and a lot of it's mental and you just have to get through it."

NH junior Natalie Marr wound up a spot back of Burrett in 37th-place (25:41) and sophomore Catherine Pethoud was 40th in 25:54.

"Although Natlie did not PR, she left every fiber of her being on that course. Coming back from quarantine has been tough on her, but she is most definitely back and ready to compete," said Ohrt.

Burrett and Ashton McShane are the lone seniors on the New Hampton roster. McShane finished 13th in the boys JV race.

"This night is very special for our seniors. Through their devotion, hard work and dedica-

tion over the years, Ashton and Grace deserve all the spotlight," said Ohrt.

NH sophomore Aydin Ries won the boys JV race in 20:26.

That earned him a spot on the varsity roster when the NEIC meet takes place this week.

New Hampton runs in its conference meet at Cresco today (Tuesday). The Chickasaws will vie for state berths in the Class 2A District/Regional meet on Thursday, Oct. 22 in Jesup.

Ohrt perfectly summed up the running of her home meet in a COVID-19 year that nationally has produced pitfalls at an alarming rate. That made the running of the New Hampton home meet all the sweeter and a feel-good story for all involved - even if there were a few potholes along the way.

"There's a lot of things that we could focus on that we didn't get to do because of COVID, but that's not how we roll. We focus on the positives and we celebrate at that top. I tell that to the kids all the time," said Ohrt. "It's kind of a hill philosophy. We don't celebrate at the bottom, we celebrate at the top."



### GIRLS TEAM RESULTS

Jesup 38, Crestwood 62, Nashua-Plainfield 64, Oelwein 113, Sumner-Fredericksburg 119, New Hampton 138, St. Ansgar 157.

Individual winner: Amanda Treptow (J) 21:08.5  
New Hampton results: 8. Ali Russler 22:52.6, 33. Campbell Kolbet 25:11.4, 36. Grace Burrett 25:39.8, 37. Natalie Marr 25:41.1, 40. Catherine Pethoud 25:54.7.  
New Hampton JV result: 14. Bailey Cox 27:21.1.

### BOYS TEAM RESULTS

Valley Lutheran 77, New Hampton 84, Central Springs 96, Crestwood 104, Jesup 133, Oelwein 140, Sumner-Fredericksburg 144, St. Ansgar 149, Nashua-Plainfield 215, Tripoli 241.

Overall winner: Riley Witt (SA) 17:41.6.  
New Hampton results: 3. Dylan Usher 17:55.9, 17. Treyce Orr 19:26.7, 20. P.J. Anderson 19:45.3, 22. Hayden Hauser 19:49.6, 26. Jack Shawver 20:07, 29. Cam McMorris 20:22.4, 43. Kaiser Croell 21:07.8.

New Hampton junior varsity results: 1. Aydin Ries 20:26.4, 10. Landon Bruess 22:09.8, 11. Lance Reicks 22:33, 13. Ashton McShane 23:20.2, 17. Jake Frahm 24:53.1, 22. Tyler Glenn 25:35.7, 23. Carter Newbrough 25:42.8, 33. Isaiah Eike 29:05.3.

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**New Hampton coach Jess Geerts gathers her team during a timeout in last week's match at Waverly.**

## Chickasaws to open postseason at home

### NH VOLLEYBALL: FROM 19

down their big hitter," said Geerts, who has guided New Hampton to three-straight regional final appearances and a state berth in 2018.

When it comes to league crowns - head coach EaVon Woodin seems to have cornered the market in cranking out conference championships. Since she took over the WSR program in 1989, her Go-Hawks have finished atop the league standings an astounding 20 times in her 32 years at the helm.

New Hampton broke the school record in wins last year with 40 and won the league title for the first time since 1991. While that's all water under the bridge at this point, the Chickasaws will get another crack at the Go-Hawks when the first leg of the NEIC meet gets underway on Thursday at New Hampton.

The second portion of the league meet finishes at Oelwein two days later on Saturday.

"You get a chance to play everyone again. Being it's on two different dates now - that will be interesting," said Geerts. "That will kind of give teams a chance to regroup. You're not playing six matches in a row."

Geerts said New Hampton will more than likely be a 4 seed in the conference tournament after defeating Crestwood, Waukon and Oelwein during the conference regular season portion of its schedule. The Chickasaws lost to the aforementioned Go-Hawks as well as Charles City and Decorah. The Vikings (15-7), like WSR, are 5-0 and have not won a league title since 2006.

Back to the WSR match.

The first set featured five ties early on and was knotted up at 13-13 after NH senior libero Rylee Schumacher's ace. Freshman middle hitter Marissa Cahoy's back-to-back kills preceded the Schumacher ace.

But 5-11 junior outside hitter Avery Beckett's kill, followed by her ace, pushed the lead to WSR's favor at 15-13. That would catapult a 7-0 run that enabled the Go-Hawks to run and hide, up 20-13. Beckett's emphatic slam near the net ended game one.

Geerts felt the result of the match could have gone a different way had her New Hampton players blocked out the obvious home-court advantage and the championship banners that adorn the Go-Hawks home gymnasium.

"We came in intimidated to begin with, so I think that if we come in with the confidence we had last year - I think it would have been a totally different game," said Geerts.

New Hampton raced out to a decent lead in game two and played some of its best volleyball of the fall in taking a 7-2 lead after a Hope McDonald let serve ace and Carlee Rochford kill. WSR crawled back up from that deficit to tie it at 12-12 and would take its first lead of the second set a point later. That set in motion yet another WSR run - this one of the 6-0 variety - and allowed the Go-Hawks to stake claim to a defiant 19-13 advantage. Rochford's kill would pull NH to within two at 20-18, but Beckett answered with a kill of her own and an ace to push that lead back up to 22-18.

"In game two when we were leading, our confidence was up. We were excited," said Geerts. "We struggled with our passing at times. We talked a lot about keeping that fire. We had it but lost it after their runs."

The final game saw much of the same back-and-forth action, but unfortunately for Chickasaw fans, did not result in an extension of the match.

Beckett led all attackers with 17 kills. Ellie Thompson, a Go-Hawk sophomore, registered 8 kills

Rochford paced New Hampton's scoring attack with six kills. McDonald and fellow senior Maddie Usher each netted five kills apiece. Schumacher's defense was on-point with 14 digs and she was 12-12 serving.

The Chickasaws host conference foe Waukon in the opening round of Class 3A, Region 5 on Monday, Oct. 19. The victor in that match travels to Osage to take on the winner of the top-ranked Green Devils and Crestwood matchup.

### WAVERLY-SHELL ROCK 3, NEW HAMPTON 0

Waverly-SR 25 25 25  
New Hampton 19 18 20

Kills - Carlee Rochford 6, Hope McDonald 5, Maddie Usher 5, Marissa Cahoy 4, Molly Wegner 1, Jenna Tank 1, Kara Crooks 1, Emma Rosonke 1.

Assists - Crooks 14, Wegner 6.  
Digs - Rylee Schumacher 14, Tank 11, Chloe Geerts 11, McDonald 9, Cahoy 3, Crooks 2, Usher 1, Rochford 1.

Blocks - Rosonke 3, Rochford 1, Cahoy 1.

Serving - Wegner 3-3, Schumacher 12-12, Usher 1-1, Cahoy 3-5, Tank 9-9, McDonald 12-13, Crooks 7-7, Geerts 9-9.

Aces - Crooks 1, McDonald 1, Schumacher 1.

# Iowa pork a big part of state's economy

The work of Iowa's pig farmers is the core of a vital pork industry in the state, says a new study released by the Iowa Pork Producers Association (IPPA).

## Providing Jobs, Economic Activity

Iowa's 5,418 pig farms generate work not only in pig production, but also in hog harvesting and pork processing. In all, there are 147,105 Iowa jobs created by the pork industry through direct, indirect and induced jobs. The jobs break out this way:

- Pig production on the farms generates 46 percent of the jobs;
- The state's 14 commercial hog harvesting facilities create 45 percent of the jobs and commercial pork processing contributes another 9 percent of jobs.

A study provided a year ago by the Coalition to Support Iowa Farmers showed that livestock production was the only agriculture sector that was increasing the number of jobs in Iowa.

In the three areas of the pork industry, labor income from those Iowa jobs is \$6.84 billion, according to Decision Innovations Solutions (DIS), an economic research and analysis firm that conducted the study for IPPA. DIS used a 2018 Iowa dataset, data from the USDA 2017 Census of Agriculture and other USDA/NASS sources and used IMPLAN modeling to project data that would reflect 2019 numbers and dollars.

The three pork industry sectors generated \$40.8 billion in sales. Pig production accounted for 34 percent of the total, or \$13.9 billion in sales from Iowa's pig farms. Hog harvesting facilities had 55 percent of the sales, and pork processing accounted for 11 percent of sales.

## Using Local Feedstuffs

There are several reasons that Iowa is the nation's number one producer of pork.

The state's pig farmers not only have a proud heritage, they have built upon the experiences of that heritage and combine it with using new research and technology to become more efficient in producing nutritious, safe and delicious pork. Another



reason is the availability of key feedstuffs for raising pigs.

A balanced pig diet contains energy and amino acids, which come from corn and soybean meal diets.

From weaning to reaching market weight, an average pig eats 12 bushels of corn and 2.5 bushels of soybeans.

Over the course of a year, Iowa pigs consume corn that is the equivalent of 22 percent of the state's corn production and 23 percent of the state's soybeans. That means nearly one-fourth of Iowa's row crops are marketed for near-by use, thus reducing the cost of grain transportation.

## Pigs and Farms, Increasing and Decreasing

The number of pigs in Iowa in December 2019, was 24.8 million hogs. Ninety-five percent (23.79 million) of those hogs are market animals, which have increased by three percent annually for the past decade. Iowa holds 32 percent of the U.S. hog inventory.

Conversely, Iowa's breeding herd (1.01 million head) has been declining slowly despite growth (1.2 percent) in the national breeding herd (6.46 million).

The size of pig farms is increasing, 69 percent of Iowa's hog inventory is now on farms with 5,000 or more pigs (20 percent

of all pig farms). However, the most common commercial-size hog farm (32 percent) in Iowa is in the category of 2,000-4,999 head. Farms with 1,000-1,999 pigs are 13 percent of Iowa's pig farms.

The top five counties in pig inventory are Washington, Sioux, Lyon, Hamilton and Plymouth counties. Each of these counties has more than 1 million

pigs.

In addition to analyzing state data on the impact of Iowa's pork industry, additional analysis was conducted on 35 counties in Iowa to review local economic contributions. (The data from these counties will be released soon.)

## Adding Barns is a Jobs Benefit to Counties

The DIS study also included information about the economic activity in a community when a new 2,400-head finishing barn is built.

This part of the study considered the construction and first year operations of a barn this size, which is typical for Iowa. Building the barn would create 12 jobs (half in construction and half in operations) and sales activities of \$2.5 million.

A new pig barn sources about 35 percent of inputs locally. The construction of a new pig barn requires several purchases such as steel, concrete and equipment.

Once construction is completed, pig farms purchase feed, veterinary and other professional services, and many other inputs to produce market hogs for sale.

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Iowa Pork Producers Association

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New Hampton cross country at NEIC meet, Cresco, 4 p.m.  
Turkey Valley volleyball vs. Lansing Kee, freshman and JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity to follow.  
Turkey Valley junior varsity football vs. Tripoli, 6 p.m.

**THURSDAY**  
Turkey Valley cross country at UIC meet, West Union, 4 p.m.  
New Hampton varsity volleyball at first three rounds of NEIC tournament, New Hampton, 5 p.m.  
Turkey Valley volleyball vs. Central Elkader, freshman and JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity to follow.

**FRIDAY**  
New Hampton football at Forest City, Class 2A play-offs, 7 p.m.  
Turkey Valley football at Lansing Kee, eight-man play-offs, 7 p.m.

**SATURDAY**  
New Hampton varsity volleyball at final four rounds of NEIC tournament, Oelwein, 9 a.m.

**MONDAY**  
Turkey Valley volleyball vs. Lansing Kee, 1A regional, 7 p.m.  
New Hampton volleyball vs. Waukon, 3A regional, 7 p.m.

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## Farming is a lot like wrestling

### YOUNG FARMER: FROM 18

One problem. His parents lived in town. His father, Eric, owned his own telecommunications company and now works for New Hampton Municipal Utilities while his mom, Tammy, is New Hampton's Economic Development director.

And when middle school came around and Dylan was pretty much, as he describes it, "a full-time wrestler," he wasn't as in to farming as he was as a little tyke.

High school came, and Robinson had turned into a pretty good little wrestler.

He also, however, began dating a classmate named Kayla Gilbert, whose parents — Steve and Karla — owned a farm. The itch had returned.

"In seventh and eighth grade, really until my sophomore year," he said, "I was all about wrestling, but when I started coming out to see Kayla, Steve asked me if I wanted to help out around the farm. I thought it was just going to be a little here and there, but man, I loved it. ... To me, farming's a lot like wrestling. You're going to be as good as you're going to be, as you want to be. You have to work hard for everything you get."

**HERE'S THE DEAL** about farming, though: It's not an easy field to get into.

A kid Robinson's age might have parents who know nothing about computers, yet that kid can become a computer programmer.

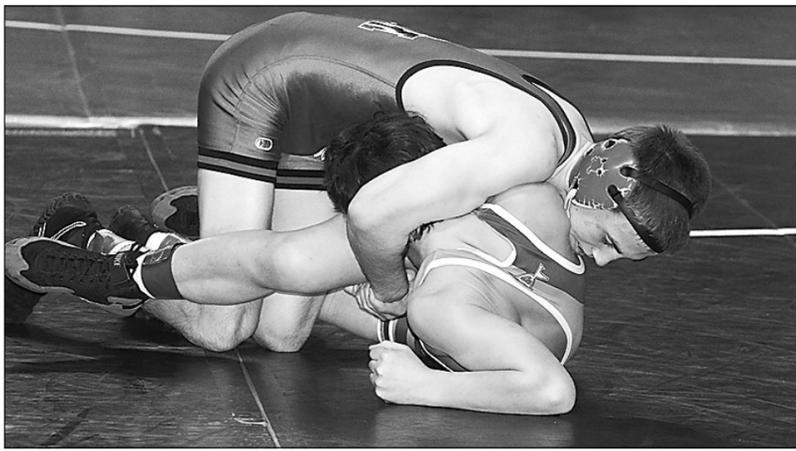
Farming's a little different. OK, it's a lot different.

"I really wanted to do this," Robinson said, "but how? I can't thank Steve enough. He's given me so many opportunities, and he's gone out of his way to help me get started."

It was Gilbert who helped Robinson get into the spraying business, and it was his future father-in-law who helped him start raising cattle. And it was Gilbert who gave him almost every imaginable job there is when it comes to grain farming.

"For me, it's really important that we try to get the younger generation into farming," Gilbert said. "Dylan may have been going out with Kayla, but I could tell, he was a hard worker, I could tell this was his calling, if you will. Yes, I want to keep our farm in the family, but I also knew I could give Dylan a shot at getting into agriculture."

This past Friday, Robinson and the Gilberts celebrated the creation of Iron Pigs LLC, a corporation in which Steve and



Tribune file photo

**Dylan Robinson hopes to duplicate the success he had in high school wrestling when it comes to farming.**

Karla own 51 percent of the stock and their daughter has 49 percent.

"Until there's a wedding — and Kayla's put up with me for like six years now so — I'm just working it," he said.

But make no mistake about it: This is Dylan's operation.

Start with the name. "I like Ironman, so that's how we came up with it."

End with the chores. "Kayla says she'll come out when the pigs are like cute and everything."

**IRON PIGS LLC** has been in the works for more than a year.

A stop at Subway for lunch turned into a pig barn.

"We were sitting there eating and this guy is handing out flyers," Robinson said, "and that kind of got us going."

And Robinson will be the first one to tell you that it's been an educational year.

"You can't believe how much paperwork there is, how many regulations you have to follow ... it takes a long time," he said. "I mean where we're at is the highest place around, and somehow, they said it was in a flood plain. ... I mean if that floods, it's going to be one of those Noah [Ark] floods."

The corporation has signed a 15-year contract with Cactus Farms out of Amarillo, Texas. They'll deliver Iron Pigs piglets that are 2-weeks-old and over the next five or so months, it's Robinson's job to grow those pigs who when they arrive are "as cute as hell" to 300 pounds.

"The first four weeks are really the critical stage," Robinson said. "They're so small, you feed them by hand for a while, you make sure they're warm, you just have to be out there a lot."

He paused and smiled: His first pigs will be delivered Oct. 22.

"I'm pretty excited, I'm not going to lie," he said. "I know I am going to have to bust my [butt], but this is seriously what I want to do."

**DURING FARM SAFETY** Week in September, the Tribune featured a young Nashua farmer named Drew Dietz, who returned home from college to work with his dad on their family farm.

And Robinson may not have grown up on a farm, but he echoes the words Dietz spoke last month about the importance of diversifying a farm.

"You can't just grain farm, really," he said. "You have to have other options."

So in addition to raising cattle and pigs, he also works with Gilbert's spraying operation.

"Livestock is one way we can get younger people into this business," Gilbert said, "and I've told Dylan almost from the first day he started working with me that you can't just plant a field and harvest it and expect to make it. And he gets it."

And Robinson can't wait to start working with pigs.

"I like my bacon," he said with a laugh, "and I love a good pork chop, too. To be part of that, hey, that's pretty cool."

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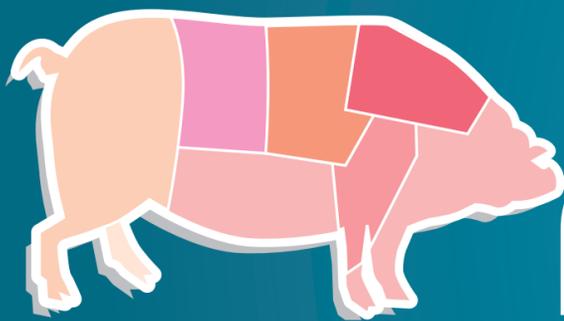
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## A YOUNG FARMER GETS HIS START

### YOUNG FARMER SAYS HE CAN'T WAIT TO FINISH PIGS

BY BOB FENSKE  
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The farming bug hit Dylan Robinson at a young age. It wore off for a while, but when the itch returned, he knew deep in his heart he wanted to be a farmer.

The 2017 New Hampton High School graduate remembers staying with his grandparents — Ken and Cheryl Lechtenberg — on their North Washington farm for days at a time.

"I'd just stay there, because I loved the farm," he said. "I liked everything about it. ... I remember Grandpa telling me we were going to go bale hay, and I barely could see over the steering wheel, but I was like, 'OK, let's do this.' I don't know, I just think I was born to be a farmer."

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Steve and Karla Gilbert pose for a photo with their daughter, Kayla, and her boyfriend, Dylan Robinson, pose in the new barn of Iron Pigs LLC.

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## Another close game eludes the Chickasaws

Called-back touchdown proves costly as New Hampton falls to Independence, 12-7

By **BOB FENSKE**  
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Go back two months and tell Carter Ferrie and his New Hampton football teammates that they would finish 2-5, and trust us, they would have laughed you back into your time machine.

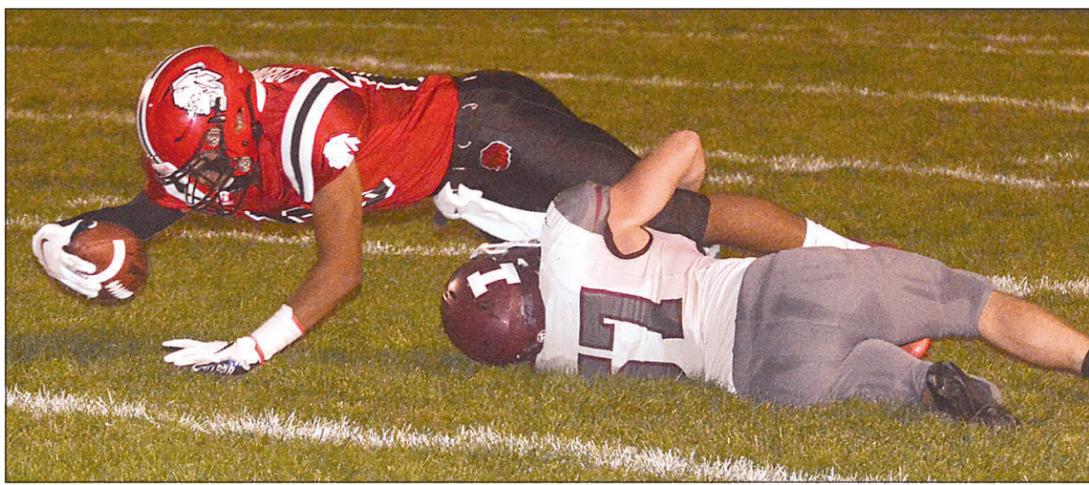
"I don't care what anyone says, we're still a good football team," the senior running back and linebacker said after Independence beat the Chickasaws 12-7 Friday night to leave New Hampton with a 2-5 overall record and 1-4 Class 2A, District 4 mark. "It feels like if something bad can happen, no matter how small a chance, it will happen to us."

Take that loss to Indee, which improved to 4-1 and earned a home

"pod" for the postseason, for example. Yes, the Mustangs held a huge 390-159 advantage in total yards, but New Hampton was a holding call — Chickasaw fans believe it was a phantom call — away from taking a 14-0 lead early in the first half.

And then there was that third-and-11 play Independence faced late in the game. A stop there and the Chickasaws would get the ball back with good field position; instead, despite great pressure from New Hampton's Jacob Burgart and solid pass defense from Ryan Pickar, Mustangs' quarterback Mitchell Johnson completed a 16-yard pass to Jake Sidles.

In short, Indee was a microcosm of **SEE NH FOOTBALL, 14**



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton senior Nathan O'Donnell looks to "stretch" the football for an extra yard or two after he makes a catch during the Chickasaws' game against Independence this past Friday.

## Without star, Trojans hang tough but drop regular season finale

Turkey Valley will hit the road for first postseason game against Lansing Kee

By **DOROTHY HUBER**  
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When Marcus Herold left the game with an injury late in the first quarter of the Turkey Valley-North Iowa football game Friday, the Trojans lost their leading rusher, No. 1 receiver and the top defensive player. Oh, and their punter.



Uch. With several players stepping up, the TV team might have been able to withstand that loss, but when a couple more players went out, North Iowa took advantage, scoring 24 unanswered points for a 38-36 win Friday night.

"It was a great team effort, but it didn't end the

Dorothy Huber/Tribune Turkey Valley receiver Calvin Bodensteiner goes up in between two North Iowa defenders to make a catch in Friday's game.

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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

## One final home run for a 'team guy'

New Hampton senior Ashton McShane — a runner who has competed all four seasons and is, as coach Jamie Ohrt puts it, "a team guy" — competes in the junior varsity division at the Chickasaws' home invitational that was held at Airport Lake this past Thursday.

## A HOME MEET TO REMEMBER

CHICKASAW BOYS TAKE SECOND AT AIRPORT LAKE PARK MEET

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**  
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The New Hampton cross country team finally got to run in its home meet.

Because of that long overdue chance to compete in front of their hometown fans, the overall teams standings almost became a bit of an afterthought for the Chickasaws.

The only result that really mattered was one in particular - Chickasaws 1, 2020 zero.

NH head coach Jamie Ohrt will take that kind of proficiency any day of the week.

"I cannot reiterate how wonderful it was to have a home meet. We haven't had a home meet since 2016, which wasn't truly a 'home meet' because Jackson Junction Golf Course graciously hosted the meet for us," said Ohrt.

COVID-19 has forced many events across the world to be either cancelled or postponed. That meant even with a change of venue, the Chickasaw harriers couldn't have been happier to be able to stretch their legs on their home turf in front of a partisan New Hampton crowd on what was another beautiful fall day on Thursday.

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## Chickasaws give W-SR a battle

New Hampton will host first 'rounds' of NEIC Thursday

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**  
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Waverly-Shell Rock will play for a Northeast Iowa Conference title tonight (Tuesday) at Decorah.

That's old news and frankly the New Hampton Chickasaws may just have bigger fish to fry.

The Chickasaws and head coach Jess Geerts already knew before they made the trek down to Bremer County to take on the 6th-ranked Go-Hawks last Tuesday that back-to-back regular season NEIC titles wasn't going to be in the cards.

You wouldn't have known that by watching the league match, which saw New Hampton (10-10, 3-3) control a large portion of the match even though WSR (30-8, 5-0) downed the Chickasaws in three-straight sets — 25-19, 25-18, 25-20.

"You know I thought we played well last night. I thought we did a great job shutting



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton senior Rylee Schumacher serves the volleyball during the Chickasaws' match against Waverly-Shell Rock last week.

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'20 CHEVY 1500 LT CREW CAB 4X4

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'20 CHEVY 1500 LT CREW CAB 4X4

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**VERN'S PRICE \$42,617** **MSRP \$49,630**

'20 CHEVY 1500 LT CREW CAB 4X4

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**VERN'S PRICE \$42,738** **MSRP \$50,025**

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**VERN'S PRICE \$50,710** **MSRP \$57,915**

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'18 FORD F-150 XLT SPORT FX4  
Extra clean, low miles, Sale Price \$40,788

#U5036



**\$552/MONTH\***

'17 CHEVY 1500 CUSTOM 4X4  
20" Wheels, Local 1 owner Trade

#J2026A



**\$32,995**

'15 CHEVY 2500 HD 4X4  
Double Cab, Local 1 owner, Diesel

#R2013A



**\$26,995**

'19 CHEVY IMPALA LT  
12K, V6, Sale Price \$25,995

#U5045



**\$352/MONTH\***

'18 CHEVY CRUIZE LT  
Remote start, 14K, Sale price \$17,495

#U5049



**\$237/MONTH\***

'18 CHEVY IMPALA LT  
V6, Back up cam, Sale Price \$19,995

#U5011A



**\$271/MONTH\***

'16 CHRYSLER 300S AWD  
Local trade, 54K, Htd Leather

#R4878B



**\$21,995**

'11 CHEVY IMPALA LT  
87K, Leather, Sunroof

#T2049A



**\$9,995**

'08 BUICK LACROSSE CXL  
Only 33,645 miles, Must see

#U5051



**\$9,995**

'10 CHEVY EXPRESS LT  
15 Passenger Van, 6.0L V8, 63K

#T1846A



**\$16,995**

'14 CHRYSLER TOWN & COUNTRY  
Touring L, Heated Leather, 118K

#R2020A



**\$11,450**

'17 CHRYSLER PACIFICA  
TOURING L PLUS  
DVD, Heated Leather, 21K

#U5041



**\$27,995**

'19 CHRYSLER PACIFICA  
TOURING L PLUS  
15K, Heated Leather, Dual DVD, \$33,782

#U5037



**\$457/ MONTH\***

'19 CHRYSLER PACIFICA  
TOURING L  
12K, Heated Leather, 18" Wheels

#X2011A



**\$29,995**

'12 CHEVY TAHOE LTZ 4X4  
118K, V8, Leather, DVD

#U5038A



**\$19,995**

'13 CHEVY TRAVERSE LT AWD  
Heated Cloth, 7 passengers, 93K

#U4985B



**\$13,995**

'15 CADILLAC SRX  
PERFORMANCE  
AWD, Heated Leather, Sale Price \$22,995

#B2022A



**\$360/MONTH\*\***

'15 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LIMITED  
4x4, 95K, Leather, Sale Price \$18,995

#B2019A



**\$297/MONTH\*\***

'CADILLAC XT5 LUXURY AWD  
Only 17,976 miles, Leather, Clean

#U5018



**\$32,995**

'18 CHEVY TRAVERSE AWD  
Local Trade, 68K, Sale Price \$28,995

#20107A



**\$393/MONTH\***

'18 CHEVY CAMARO  
LT CONVERTIBLE  
Local Trade, Auto, Sale Price \$25,995

#C2102A



**\$343/MONTH\***

'11 CHEVY IMPALA LT  
ONLY 6019 MILES, LIKE NEW

#U5052



**\$12,995**

'18 CHRYSLER PACIFICA  
TOURING L PLUS  
Htd Steering Wheel, Sale Price \$29,995

#U5022



**\$406/MONTH\***

'18 BUICK ENVISION  
ESSENCE AWD  
Local Trade, 36K, Sale Price \$24,995

#U5020A



**\$339/MONTH\***

'15 JEEP CHEROKEE LATITUDE  
4x4, cloth, 91K, Sale Price \$14,995

#U5033A



**\$235/MONTH\*\***

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