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County hires interim engineer

Rolando resigns after second OWI charge, thanks past and current employees

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors on Monday accepted the resignation of its long-time county engineer and moved quickly to fill the position on an interim basis.

Dustin Rolando submitted his letter of resignation last week, a month after a traffic stop led to him being charged with driving while intoxicated-second offense, and before supervisors

acted on his resignation, he thanked his past and current office staff, road crew foremen and Secondary Roads staff, as well as past and current supervisors.

"I've been for over 20 years and sorry, I may become teary-eyed because I'm very emotional on a lot of this stuff," he told supervisors before lauding the people he has worked with since becoming the county engineer in 2001. "They keep the system running."

A number of board members thanked Rolando,

who also serves as the Floyd County engineer, for his service to the county after they unanimously voted to accept his resignation that is effective at the end of the day on Friday.

"You've been a big part of this county for 20 years," Supervisor Jason Byrne said, "and you'll be missed."

The board then held a 20-minute

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Public Health: Those with virus or exposed to it need to stay home

Welter is urging all residents to do their part to stop latest surge

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

Chickasaw County's top public health official made a plea to residents to do their part in stopping the spread of COVID-19 on Friday, the day a report was released that showed the county had recorded its most positive tests in a week in all of 2021.

The county recorded 47 positive tests of the virus, according to Public Health and Homecare Services Administrator Lisa Welter's weekly report, and Welter said that she is hearing too many reports of residents who have either tested positive or who have been exposed to COVID-19 being out in public.

"I can't emphasize this enough," she said, "but if you've tested positive, if you've been exposed, please, please stay home and follow the guidelines. It's fueling the fire, so to speak. We all need to do our part and be mindful of other around us if we want to stop this surge."

The 47 positive tests followed a week in which the county recorded 31 positive tests and also came on a week when hospitalizations for COVID-19 patients continued to increase. As of Friday, just one ICU bed in Region 2, which includes Chickasaw County, was available.

In Chickasaw County, 19 of the new positive tests were found in those ages 18-40, 14 in ages 0-17, 11 in ages 41 to 60 and three in ages 61 to 80.

Seven of the positive tests came in residents not eligible to obtain the vaccine and 11 came in residents who were fully vaccinated.

During a meeting with the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors on Monday, Welter said 15 more positive tests were recorded in the county over the weekend. Welter and Supervisor Jacob Hackman both used the words "common sense" when it came to the latest surge.

"Somehow, we have to get people to understand that they need to stay home if they're sick,"

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Welter



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield cheerleaders (above) fire up the crowd during the homecoming coronation ceremony last Thursday that ended with Trey Nelson and Abbie Hyde (below right) being crowned king and queen. And the following night, the award-winning Marching Huskies, including Aiden Sullivan and Elliie Woodman (below right) take to the field for their halftime show during Friday night's football game.

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Gold medal homecoming



Photo courtesy of Kristen Levi

Nashua-Plainfield students (from left) Cal Levi, Kadence Huck, Paige Franzen and Cam Cleveland learned last week that they had won a prestigious national award for a National History Day project they completed last spring.

NHD students get a little 'redemption'

Lowell Milken Center for Unsung Heroes honors four N-P High School freshmen

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

Four Nashua-Plainfield students who had a banner National History Day season a year ago are now national winners.

Cal Levi, Kadence Huck, Paige Franzen and Cameron Cleveland received word last week that they were named the first place winner of the annual Lowell Milken Center for Unsung Heroes' 2021 Discovery Award competition for their documentary titled "From Rural RN to Healthcare Hero: Barbara Fassbinder's Passionate Plea for PPE."

The Nashua-Plainfield four-some's documentary chronicled how

Fassbinder, a nurse from Monona, became the first healthcare worker to be infected with HIV on the job and how she shared her story on diverse media to reduce the stigma of HIV and AIDS while leading the charge to accelerate the nationwide implementation of universal precautions in healthcare.

"They had such a good National History Day competition — they won a state award, they qualified for nationals, they were a finalists at nationals," said Nashua-Plainfield History Day advisor Suzy Turner, "but as great as that was, I know they were a little disappointed that they weren't in the top-three at nationals. They shouldn't be because being a national finalist is

an incredibly difficult thing to achieve, but they're also kids so in a way, this is a little redemption for them."

The Lloyd Milken Center is based in Fort Scott, Kansas, and each year it challenges students in grades 4-12 to conduct what it calls "rigorous" research to uncover unsung heroes in history whose accomplishments remain largely unknown to the public. The collective \$14,000 in cash prizes can be spent at students' discretion.

Center officials contacted students by Zoom to announce the winners, that included the \$6,000 grand prize that went to Sasha Allen, a sophomore at Eden Prairie (Minnesota) High

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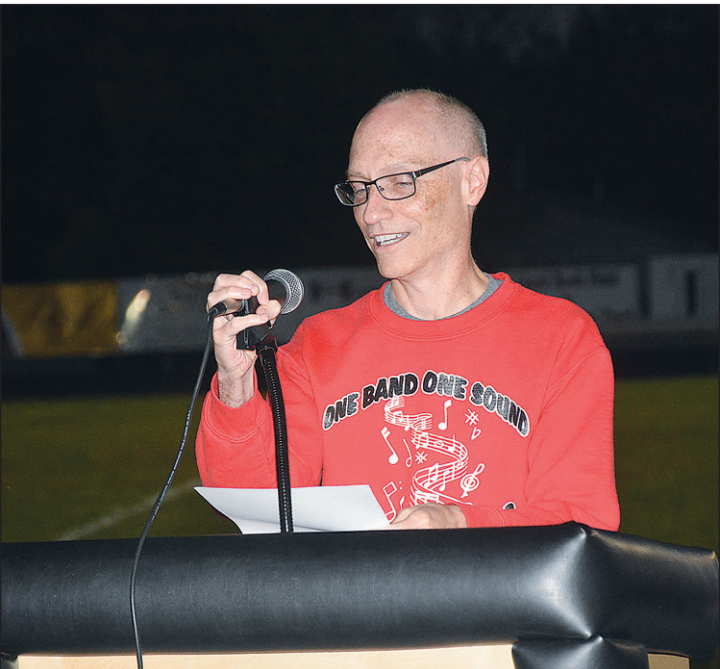
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Nashua-Plainfield Band Director Scott Stroud (above) talks about his band's upcoming performances at the coronation ceremony Thursday night, a day before Dawson Demro (below) and his bandmates take the field for the homecoming halftime show.



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

What a great week at N-P!

Nashua-Plainfield had itself one heck of a week — save for one little rain shower that canceled the parade on Friday — as the Huskies celebrated homecoming last week. Students showed off their school spirit with a variety of dress-up days, the homecoming coronation ceremony was held outside on a perfect fall evening on Thursday and the Huskies' football team capped off the great week with a 38-6 victory over BCLUW in the big game on Friday night. The Reporter's Kelly Terpstra spent a good chunk of time covering homecoming last week and captured a number of memories for a lifetime — including the homecoming court posing for a photo moments before the coronation was held at the stadium. Pictured are (from left) McKade Munn, Rylee Weiss, Sam Fundermann, Jayla Whiting, Trey Nelson, Jennah Carpenter, Max Hillegas, Abbie Hyde, Tyson White and Makenzie Foelske.



Football players (above) wait for the parade to start but a few minutes later, storms forced the cancellation of the event; however, a few hours later, the Huskies take to the field for their game against BCLUW on a perfect fall evening.



NATIONAL

WEEK

October 3-9, 2021

Sunday, October 3rd

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Monday, October 4th

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Tuesday, October 5th

- Find the 4-H Clover! A 4-H Clover will be hidden in various communities in Chickasaw County. Find the Clover, post a photo of you on our Facebook page and return to the Extension Office to win a prize!

Wednesday, October 6th

- Wear a 4-H shirt to school. Be sure to tag Chickasaw County 4-H in a social media post to show your participation and be entered in to win a prize!

Thursday, October 7th

- Throwback Thursday. Follow along on our Facebook page, Chickasaw County 4-H, to guess the 4-H alumni in photos posted throughout the day. The first correct answer on each photo will be entered in to win a prize!

Friday, October 8th

- Free 4-H Cookie!!! Please stop by the Chickasaw Extension Office to get your free 4-H Cookie.

Saturday, October 9th

- 4-H Super Saturday!!! Join us at the Big 4 Fairgrounds to have a 4-H Cookout, carve pumpkins, build bird houses, and a movie night!

All Week: Listen to 95.1 The Bull between 7-8am for interviews with 4-H members, 4-H Alumni, Extension Staff, and County Council Members!

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Priscilla Betsinger, 73

Priscilla Betsinger, age 73 of Nashua, died Sunday, Sept. 19, 2021, at the Waverly Health Center.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, 2021, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua.

A private family burial will be held at a later date. Online condolences for the Betsinger family may be left at hugeback-funeralhome.com.

Priscilla Mary Betsinger was born on December 21, 1947, in Charles City to Robert and Mary (Chandler) White, and she grew up in Nashua, where she attended school and was a member of the Class of 1966 at Nashua High School.

After graduating from high school, she attended business school in Mankato, Minnesota, and when she returned to Nashua, she married Clinton "Butch" Betsinger, whom she had met in high school, on June 10, 1967, at the United Methodist Church in Nashua.

The Betsingers had three children — Michelle, Doug, and Randy — who grew up with a mother who gave them unconditional love. She was Michelle's Girl Scout leader, helped all of her children with various projects, and knew that the greatest gift she could give them was her time.

Priscilla was super crafty and loved completing creative projects. She was a talented seamstress who made her wedding dress and the dresses for all her bridesmaids, and for years, she made clothes for her kids. She also had a knack for crocheting, making beautiful blankets, afghans, and doilies. She loved tending to her flower gardens, and she made beautiful Christmas decorations.

She was a homemaker for many years before taking a job at the Nashua Pharmacy, and she also worked as the church secretary of the Methodist Church, in the business office at McDonald's in Charles City and was the jewelry manager at K-Mart in Charles City and then the Waverly Wal-Mart before she retired.

Priscilla adored her seven



Priscilla Betsinger

grandchildren — Alec, Marcus, and Abby Hill; Dalton and Chase Betsinger; and Alissa and Cole Bestinger. They will always remember their grandmother's chocolate brownies, which were simply the best, and there was no better day for Priscilla than those in which she babysat her grandchildren.

She loved to read and she enjoyed taking her water aerobics classes at the YMCA in Charles City, but Priscilla also found time to volunteer for a number of organizations in and around Nashua. She willingly gave her talents and time to Treasures and the Floyd County Memorial Hospital in Charles City and to the Gateway to Northeast Iowa Welcome Center in Nashua.

Priscilla, in short, was a gentle and kind soul, and everybody she met was her friend. She will be dearly missed by her husband of more than 54 years, her children, her grandchildren, her great-grandchildren, and all those who were fortunate to have had their lives touched by this woman who cared about everyone.

Priscilla is survived by her husband, Butch of Nashua; her three children, Michelle (Rich) Hill of Schaumburg, Illinois, Doug (Lisa) Betsinger of Nashua, and Randy (James) Betsinger of Cedar Falls; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Robert White Jr.; and one grandson, Marcus Hill.

Gerald 'Gerry' Bakke, 71

Gerald "Gerry" Bakke, age 71 of Buffalo, Minnesota, passed away Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021, at his home after a long illness.

Gerry was born August 26, 1950, to Elton and Eleanor Bakke in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. Gerry married Linda Johnson on Oct. 31, 1970. The bride drove the get-away car, because Gerry didn't have a driver's license.

As a teenager in Albert Lea, Gerry was two-time city checker's champion. He also fell in love with the sport of wrestling under the tutelage of Paul Ehrhard and won three district titles and placed sixth in the 1968 State Individual Championships.

Gerry initially wanted to be a pastor but he figured out that pastors only preach one day a week and teachers get to preach for five. Gerry attended Bethany Lutheran College, where he placed first in the 1970 State Junior College Championships, third in the 1971 Championships, and twice qualified for the National Junior College Tournament.

After graduating from Bethany in 1971, Gerry continued to study secondary social studies education and to wrestle at Gustavus Adolphus College, where he placed second in the 1972 MIAC Championships and was the 1973 GAC Most Valuable Wrestler.

After graduating from Gustavus in 1973, Gerry started his teaching and coaching career at Nashua High School in Iowa, where he was honored as the 1978 Iowa State Wrestling Coach of the Year.

In 1980, Gerry and his family moved to Buffalo, Minnesota, where he continued to coach and teach social studies until his retirement in 2010. In Buffalo, Gerry's wrestling teams advanced to the state team championships seven times (1990 - 3rd place and 1991 - 4th place finishes). In 1991, Gerry was selected as the Class AA Minnesota State Coach of the Year.

He was inducted into the Dan Bartlema Minnesota Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame in 1999 and was inducted into the Minnesota Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2018.

Gerry loved the community of Buffalo, where he also coached cross country, boys tennis, and junior high football.

His former students talk about the lengths he would go to motivate them including jumping on desks, making outrageous bets and shaving his head when he lost those bets.

Gerry was a member of the



Gerry Bakke

Buffalo Federation of Teachers and made lifetime friendships playing chess with Kip Wold and Charley Keifenheim.

Gerry is survived by his wife of 51 years, Linda; his children, Eric Buffalo, Minnesota, Heather, Brainerd, Minnesota, Shawn (Melissa), New Ulm, Minnesota, Heidi (Scott Backstrom) of St. Paul, Minnesota; Alyssa of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Kyle of Warroad, Minnesota; his brother Darryl (Joyce) of Albert Lea, Minnesota; grandchildren, Isaac, Asher, Levi, and Miriam Bakke, and Axes Chilton; brothers and sisters-in-law, Lorraine Holt, New Hampton, Joan Jurs, Cresco, Roger Johnson, New Hampton, Bernis (Tom) Benzer, Buffalo, Minnesota, Rick Johnson, Lawler, and Gary (Ann) Johnson, Lawler; along with many nieces, nephews, and thousands of former students, athletes, and teaching colleagues.

He was preceded in death by his son, Alex Neal; parents, Elton and Eleanor; father and mother-in-law, Alvin and Theone (Fouberg) Johnson; sisters-in-law, Nancy Reyerson and Thelma Johnson; and brothers-in-law, Stanley Holt and William Jurs.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, Sept. 30, 2021, from 4:30 to 8:00 in the gymnasium at Buffalo Sr. High School (877 Bison Blvd Buffalo, MN).

Funeral Services for Gerald Bakke will take place at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church (1970 Edmonson Ave NE, Buffalo, MN) on Saturday, October 2, 2021, at 2 p.m.

Gerry was proud to be a Bison and his family loved being able to share him with the community of Buffalo. Gerry would want to remind everyone that: "You gotta go!"

The Peterson Chapel in Buffalo, Minnesota is serving the family. Online condolences may be made to www.thepetersonchapel.com.

Supervisors appoint Rockwell native to county attorney post

By BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors made it official Monday — appointing David Laudner as the county's new attorney.

The Rockwell native who most recently was an assistant attorney for Palo Alto County in northwest Iowa will begin work today (Thursday) when he is scheduled to take his oath of office.

However, Laudner told supervisors by phone on Monday that he will meet with the county's interim attorney — the Decorah firm of f Anderson, Wilmarth, Van Der Maaten, Belay, Fretheim, Gipp, Eversizer Olson, Lynch and Zahasky — on Tuesday and also be in the office on Wednesday "so we can hit the ground running."

Laudner will take over the position held by Jennifer

Schwickerath, who resigned in early August to take a position with the city of Iowa City.

During a meeting held after Schwickerath resigned, Laudner expressed his interest in the position and told supervisors he felt he was ready for the "next challenge" in his career.

"I'm only going to jump if it's a great opportunity," he said during an Aug. 9 supervisors meeting. "This has nothing to do with Palo Alto County and the people I work with there; in fact, I do enjoy my job, but this has everything to do with being a great opportunity."

Laudner grew up in Rockwell and was a 1999 graduate of Rockwell-Swaledale High School. He played football while attending Buena Vista University, where he graduated with degrees in economics and political science, and then attended and graduated from the University of Iowa Law School.



Bob Fenske/Reporter

Chickasaw County Engineer Dustin Rolando (left) and the man who will replace him, Roman Lensing, meet with the Board of Supervisors during a meeting Monday in which supervisors accepted Rolando's resignation and named Lensing the county's interim engineer.

Engineer thanks those he's worked with in the county

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discussion that ended with it approving the hiring of current Assistant County Engineer Roman Lensing as the county's interim engineer.

Lensing, who has worked in Rolando's office for the past eight years, said he would not be interested in a "dual-county" role that Rolando has held, and Chickasaw County supervisors said they wanted to wait until Floyd County supervisors met on Tuesday to see if the counties are interested in continuing the sharing arrangement. Yet, with Rolando's last day being this week, they also wanted to, at the very least, have an interim engineer in place.

Chickasaw County will pay a prorated share of an annual \$100,000 salary to Lensing, allow him to keep the vacation days he has accrued as an assistant and will let him keep the comp time he has built up until it is decided if he will get the permanent engineer position.

Rolando's resignation came after he was stopped

in Nashua on Aug. 27 because of a defective headlight on his vehicle and when a Chickasaw County's Sheriff's Office deputy approached the car, the deputy notice an odor of alcohol coming from the 2011 Suburban being driven by Rolando.

Rolando conceded he had a drink and the deputy conducted several field sobriety tests, which Rolando failed.

He was taken to the

Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office, where a urine sample was taken and on Sept. 13, the analysis showed a blood alcohol level of .115, above Iowa's legal limit to drive of .08.

Rolando was charged with three driving offenses in April 2019 in Floyd County. An open container and improper lane use charges were dropped in exchange for Rolando pleading guilty to a first-offense OWI charge.

He admitted on Monday that he had made mistakes but was focused both on his employees and the county's future. He told supervisors that he will take calls from Lensing and other employees if they have questions after he leaves, and he thanked those employees for doing a great job during his 20-plus years in Chickasaw County.

"I can do budget and make numbers come and go and work with you guys on the politics and all that fun stuff. And I'll take the heat from the constituents in the county because that was my job and is my job," he said.

"[But] those employees are the ones doing work. I'm not plowing the roads, I'm not replacing culverts. I'm not sitting there doing bridge projects or whatever. ... At the end of the day, they're the ones doing the work. This staff hear is doing the work. When we talk about budgets and raising, they deserve every penny of every raise they get and then some."

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Lawrence Joseph Gogg, 65

Lawrence "Larry" Joseph Gogg, age 65 of St. Ansgar, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2021, at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City as a result of injuries sustained in a motorcycle/vehicle accident.

The oldest of five children, Larry was born at the Floyd County Memorial Hospital in Charles City on Feb. 12, 1956, to Robert (Bob) and Mary (Fitzgerald) Gogg.

He attended Nashua Community School, where he graduated from high school in 1974. After high school, he attended St. Ambrose University in Davenport.

Larry had various jobs during his life, including 15 years at Grain Millers, Inc. in St. Ansgar, but his real passion was riding his motorcycle. Gogg lived his life as a true free spirit, marching to the beat of his own drum. Often riding his prized Harley, he went where the road and wind took him.

Later in life, Larry was blessed with a daughter, Ella. He cherished and adored Ella with all his heart. She was the shining star of his life.

After 32 years of friendship, Gogg and Shawn Niemoth began their loving partnership together. Among many other things, they shared a great passion of motorcycles and raising Ella together.

Larry was a true dog lover, and enjoyed a close bond with the many pit bulls he cared for over the years. He was treasured by his companion, Shawn, a beloved son to his mother, a caring brother to his siblings, and a loyal, devoted, and giving friend to his biker brothers. He was always giving, helping and loving. He touched



Larry Gogg

so many lives — young and old. He is preceded in death by his father, Bob Gogg.

Larry's life and memory will be cherished by his companion, Shawn Niemoth, St. Ansgar; daughter Ella Gogg, St. Ansgar; Shawn's four daughters, Patience (Antar) Martin and family, LeMesa, California, Nina (Eric) Hanson and family, Roland, Kateland (Fred) Danger and family, Manly, and Julia (Andrew) Niemoth and family, San Diego; two stepsons, Jessie (Kelly) Mead and family, Stevensville, Montana, and Jimmy (Jen) Tonneli and family, Gilbert, Arizona; his mother, Mary Gogg of Charles City; brother, Tom Gogg of Del Mar, California; sister, Kathy (Matt) Kiene of Fresno, California, and family; brother, Denny Gogg of Charles City; brother, Rich (Laura) Gogg, Pella; and family, and many friends and fellow 'brothers.'

A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, Oct. 3, 2021, from 1 to 4 pm at the Elks Lodge in Charles City. Face masks are encouraged.

Michael Allan Lindner, 71

Michal Allan Lindner, age 71 of Nashua, died Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021, at his home.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, 2021, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua with Chaplain Al Polito officiating.

Inurnment will be held at Greenwood Cemetery in Nashua. Friends may greet the family from 9 to 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, 2021, prior to the service at the funeral home.

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A BEAUTIFUL WEEK TO HARVEST

Bob Fenske/Tribune

A farmer near the "S-curves" on Highway 63 combines a bean field last week, and area farmers kicked the harvest season into high gear with an almost perfect weather start to work week as temperature soared into the 80s under skies that included few, if any, clouds.

Students go the extra mile in award-winning documentary

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School who created a documentary on the life of Gareth Jones, a Welsh journalist who risked his life to chronicle Soviet Union Dictator Josef Stalin decimation of Ukrainian agriculture that resulted in a fine known as the Holodomor.

The Nashua-Plainfield project's first-place award came with a \$2,500 award, and Lloyd Milken Center Executive Director Norm Conrad told the four students that they were part of a contest in which "we looked at some incredible projects this year but yours was at the top."

The students, during the Zoom meeting, credited the family of Barbara Fassbinder, who died at the age of 40 in 1994, for the award.

"We not only also got to see the professional side of what was going on in Barbara's life," Cleveland said, "but also the personal side because her kids shared a lot of personal stories about what was going on at home when she got infected."

They told Conrad that they picked Fassbinder for their topic after Turner read an article about the nurse.

"We thought it was a very fitting topic for the unsung hero award," Levi said, "as well as it was very closely related to what was going on in the present time with COVID."

Other awards included projects put together by students in California, Indiana, Louisiana and New York.

"Their stories need to be discovered and heard," Milken said in a press release announcing the winners. "And when we

do, we have the opportunity to motivate new generations to aspire to values that are essential during the challenging times we face individually, as a nation and as a world community."

Turner said her students put in numerous hours of work on the project throughout the 2020-21 school year.

"Think about that a little because they were eighth-graders at the time," she said, "and yet, here they are doing top-level research, reaching out to family members and telling the story of this amazing woman. I say this all the time, but that's what makes me so proud of my [National History Day] students. They put in all this time, and they never settle for it's-good-enough; instead, they always seem to go that extra mile."

Lawmakers give retired teachers update on education issues

By JAMES GROB

jjgrob@charlescitypress.com

Want to know five words that are to make a group of 20 retired Iowa public school personnel happy?

"IPERS is in solid shape."

Iowa Rep. Todd Prichard and Sen. Amanda Ragan told members of the Big 4 Unit of the Iowa Retired School Personnel Association (IRSPA) gathered at the NIACC Center in Charles City Wednesday morning that the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) is safe, at least for the time being.

The Big 4 Unit includes teachers from Chickasaw County.

"I don't think IPERS is in any immediate danger," Prichard said at the forum. "It's doing great. It's still a wonderful system, as it was last year and the year before, and every year since we first got it."

Prichard said there is always a rumbling that someone is going to introduce a bill "to do something with IPERS."

IPERS is a defined benefit pension plan in which retirement income is determined by a formula based on years of service and salary earned. It is available to all public employees in Iowa. The rules governing the operation of IPERS are controlled by the Legislature.

Prichard urged the retired public school employees to remain vigilant, as there are "a handful of people who would like to do something drastically different with it."

Ragan said she was opposed to the charter schools bill, which passed both chambers last session and was signed into law by Gov. Kim Reynolds.

"We already had a charter school opportunity. The structure was there to give guidance and oversight to charter

schools," Ragan said. "I don't feel that the piece of legislation that passed had that structure."

Prichard agreed, and called the bill passing "unfortunate," as it allows charter schools to take public funding with little regulation or oversight. He said that charter schools don't have to offer the same services that are required of public schools in Iowa.

"We know those services are necessary," Prichard said. "We know they contribute to learning in an environment that is beneficial for children, and these charter schools are exempted from a lot of that."

Prichard said that charter schools have little or no community oversight, and so cannot be considered community schools.

Some who received Pfizer vaccine can get 'booster' shots

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Hackman said. "It's what we do with the flu, it's what we do with any other illness, and we have to do it with this, too."

Also last week, Welter and her department received new guidelines when it came to booster doses of the COVID-19 vaccine produced by Pfizer.

Last Thursday, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommended a booster dose be given to those who have gone at least six months from the completion of their two-shot Pfizer series and meet one of the following criteria.

- People 65 years and older and residents in long-term care settings should receive a booster shot of Pfizer-BioNTech's COVID-19 vaccine at least 6 months after their Pfizer-BioNTech primary series.

- People aged 50-64 years with underlying medical conditions should receive a booster shot of Pfizer-BioNTech's COVID-19 vaccine at least 6 months after their Pfizer-BioNTech primary series.

- People aged 18-49 years with underlying medical conditions may receive a booster shot of Pfizer-BioNTech's COVID-19 vaccine at least 6 months after their Pfizer-BioNTech primary series, based on their individual benefits and risks.

- People aged 18-64 years who are at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and trans-

mission because of occupational or institutional setting may receive a booster shot of Pfizer-BioNTech's COVID-19 vaccine at least 6 months after their Pfizer-BioNTech primary series, based on their individual benefits and risks.

Welter said her office has distributed very little of the Pfizer vaccine and does not have access to the booster doses, but county residents who meet the criteria should go to vaccines.gov to find where they can receive a booster dose.

"We've done mostly Moderna here and the little Pfizer we did was because we were able to obtain a few doses here and there from other counties," Welter said.

She added that vaccines are still available at four different locations in the county. In addition to her office, MercyOne New Hampton Family Clinic, Fredericksburg Family Clinic and Bennett's Pharmacy in New Hampton all have COVID-19 vaccines in stock.

"We just need to do the right things, the common sense things, with this," she said. "Wash our hands, wear masks if that makes us comfortable, cover our cough and, yes, stay home when we're sick."

"And even if you don't have any symptoms, I'll say it again, if you've tested positive or been exposed, we have to do the same thing if we're going to get back to where we were in June and July."



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Huskies senior continues drive for Fort Dodge with career-best time

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placed runner-up to No. 7 Sumner-Fredericksburg at the Nashua-Plainfield Invite, which took place on Tuesday, Sept. 21. Braiden Schaufenbuel, a N-P freshman, had a different take on the up-and-down landscape he scurried across for a season-best time of 20:25. This up-and-coming Husky called the 5K race fun.

"I was wearing new spikes for the first time this year. They helped me get up the hills faster," said Schaufenbuel, who placed just outside the medal-earning top-10 with an 11th-place finish.

Schaufenbuel tries to maintain a pace with senior Drew Wilken, which is tough to do. Wilken, along with fellow senior Jennah Carpenter, also ran her last race on the course. Wilken engineered a top-five finish as he placed fourth in 18:27.

"I try to keep up with Drew, but it's iffy. He's fast," said Schaufenbuel.

The N-P boys placed third with 65 points. Valley Lutheran took the first-place trophy with 17 points.

Levi Winters, a junior, finished his race in 18th place with a time of 21:38. Husky freshman Caleb Sinnwell was just over 10 seconds back of him in the 21st position.

The Husky girls team saw freshman Kadence Huck place runner-up in a time of 21:54. N-P groups well and that was evident by the Huskies securing the fifth through seventh spots in the pecking order after all was said and done.

N-P freshman Amberley Gerholdt wound up fifth (23:23.94), sophomore Ellie Eick was sixth (23:32.3) and Carpenter produced a seventh-place result in 23:34.31.



Dorothy Huber/Reporter
Braiden Schaufenbuel competes at Nashua-Plainfield's annual home cross country meet last week.

"Amberley is really peaking at the right time. I've said this a lot, but we lost a lot last year. But we have had two freshmen really step in those shoes and show our team that we still have what it takes to extend our season!" said N-P head coach Jenn Kalainoff.

Kalainoff was once again excited to see the pack mentality and cluster running that her girls runners are maintaining.

"The girls really stuck together as a pack so that is going to be very beneficial in the future," said Kalainoff.

N-P also ran at Manly on Thursday and took part in the Panther Invitational, hosted by Central Springs.

Lexi Weiss, Gerholdt and Huck all PR'd. Huck finished fourth in 20:58 and Gerholdt was eighth in 22:15. Weiss produced a time of 25:50.

Wilken broke his career PR in a time of 17:20 at Manly, good for another fourth-place finish. His previous career best was at La Porte City in 17:54, which also was the first win of his varsity running career.

"Drew's confidence grows each time he runs. And for him to believe that he can run with the leaders of a meet like that is huge! There were some good runners there and he was one of them. He is doing all the right things to get to Fort Dodge," said Kalainoff.

Carpenter did not run at Manly because of homecoming obligations. N-P placed third with 73 points. Ninth-ranked Mason City Newman won the meet with 57 points and West Fork was second with 59 points.

Caleb Sinnwell, Caleb Lentz, Luke Paplow and Dalton Downing all ran season-best times at Manly. Kendrick Huck, a junior, was the Huskies top finisher behind Wilken. He

placed 39th in 19:55.

N-P is scheduled to run in the Hampton-Dumont-CAL meet today (Thursday).

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD INVITE GIRLS TEAM SCORES

Sumner-Fredericksburg 27, Nashua-Plainfield 35, Riceville 66, Don Bosco, Valley Lutheran, Janesville did not field full teams.

Individual winner (51 runners) - Hillary Trainor, Sumner-Fredericksburg 21:04.07.

Nashua-Plainfield results - 2. Kadence Huck 21:54.87, 5. Amberley Gerholdt 23:23.94, 6. Ellie Eick 23:32.3, 7. Jennah Carpenter 23:34.31, 22. Kara Levi 26:41.83,

34. Emma O'Neill 30:05.81, 46. Sheyenne Bergmann 34:32.47.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD INVITE BOYS TEAM SCORES

Valley Lutheran 17, Sumner-Fredericksburg 47, Nashua-Plainfield 65, Tripoli, Janesville, Don Bosco, Riceville did not field full teams.

Individual winner (45 runners) - 1. Isaac Natvig 17:36.17.

Nashua-Plainfield results - 4. Drew Wilken 18:27.98, 11. Braiden Schaufenbuel 20:25.18, 18. Levi Winters 21:38.14, 21. Caleb Sinnwell 21:48.44, 27. Caleb Lentz 22:36.11, 28. Kendrick Huck 22:36.94, 33. Luke Paplow 23:24.04, 37. Levi Callahan 25:28.55. 39. Dalton Downing

25:40.04.

PANTHER INVITATIONAL GIRLS TEAM SCORES

Mason City Newman 40, West Fork 59, Nashua-Plainfield 73, Forest City 100, West Hancock 104, North Butler 149, Hampton-Dumont-CAL, Eagle Grove, Clarksville, Northwood-Kensett, Central Springs, Lake Mills, St. Ansgar did not field full teams.

Individual winner (61 runners) - Lydia Maas, Hampton-Dumont-CAL 19:55.51.

Nashua-Plainfield results - 4. Huck 20:58.64, 8. Gerholdt 22:15.95, 11. Eick 22:29.96, 39. Levi 25:05.16, 45. Lexi Weiss 25:50.16, 57. O'Neill 29:40.96.

PANTHER INVITATIONAL BOYS TEAM SCORES

Mason City Newman 57, Forest City 79, Central Springs 82, Hampton-Dumont-CAL 106, North Butler 129, Lake Mills 154, Nashua-Plainfield 162, West Fork 171, St. Ansgar, Clarksville, Northwood-Kensett, West Hancock did not field full teams.

Individual winner (108 runners) - Riley Witt, St. Ansgar 15:48.08.

Nashua-Plainfield results - 4. Wilken 17:20.99, 39. Huck 19:55.8, 52. Sinnwell 20:43.93, 53. Schaufenbuel 20:45.32, 66. Lentz 21:16.18, 72. Paplow 22:20.93, 95. Downing 24:35.47, 104. Callahan 26:33.46.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET CHICKASAW COUNTY Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022				
The CHICKASAW COUNTY will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022				
Meeting Date/Time: 10/11/2021 09:15 AM		Contact: Stephanie Mashek		Phone: (641) 394-2100
Meeting Location: Board room located on the second floor of the courthouse located at 8 E Prospect New Hampton, IA				
There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing.				
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	1	6,670,489	0	6,670,489
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	29,820	0	29,820
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3	308,350	0	308,350
Net Current Property Tax	4	6,332,319	0	6,332,319
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5	500	0	500
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6	15,000	0	15,000
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7	923,188	0	923,188
Intergovernmental	8	6,077,238	0	6,077,238
Licenses & Permits	9	34,000	0	34,000
Charges for Service	10	712,661	0	712,661
Use of Money & Property	11	58,914	0	58,914
Miscellaneous	12	153,800	0	153,800
Subtotal Revenue	13	14,307,620	0	14,307,620
Other Financing Sources:				
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14	0	0	0
Operating Transfers In	15	1,747,140	0	1,747,140
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales	16	0	0	0
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17	16,054,760	0	16,054,760
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Operating:				
Public Safety and Legal Services	18	2,466,725	38,000	2,504,725
Physical Health and Social Services	19	1,523,711	4,663	1,528,374
Mental Health, ID & DD	20	357,990	0	357,990
County Environment & Education	21	742,630	19,500	762,130
Roads & Transportation	22	6,230,775	0	6,230,775
Government Services to Residents	23	595,260	0	595,260
Administration	24	2,273,411	6,600	2,280,011
Nonprogram Current	25	0	0	0
Debt Service	26	479,360	0	479,360
Capital Projects	27	2,306,823	0	2,306,823
Subtotal Expenditures	28	16,976,685	68,763	17,045,448
Other Financing Uses:				
Operating Tranfers Out	29	1,742,140	0	1,742,140
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30	0	0	0
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	31	18,718,825	68,763	18,787,588
Excess of Revenues & Other Sources over (under) Expenditures & Other Uses	32	-2,664,065	-68,763	-2,732,828
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1, 2021	33	7,337,798	0	7,337,798
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting)	34	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Restricted	36	2,864,201	0	2,864,201
Fund Balance - Committed	37	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Assigned	38	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39	1,809,532	-68,763	1,740,769
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2022	40	4,673,733	-68,763	4,604,970
Explanation of Changes: Line #18- K-9 Fund increase of \$4,000 due to medical expenses. Attorney fees increase of \$30,000 for attorney fees during the vacancy of the county attorney. Decrease the Ambulance Service by \$6,000. Increase the Jail building fund by \$10,000 for two air conditioning units. Line #19- Decrease the Public Health budget by \$7,887 and increase the Environmental Health budget by \$10,550 due to a scrivener's error. Increase the CSB budget for lawn care and snow removal for \$2,000. Line #21- Increase Conservation for cost of heat pump for \$11,500, use of grant money for \$3,000, and closure of landfill contract for \$5,000. Line #24- Increase to the Law Office building budget for contracting out snow removal and lawn care for \$5,000 and the removal of two trees with stumps for \$1,600.				

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Nashua-Plainfield Board of Directors Regular Meeting September 13, 2021 JH/HS Commons

The Nashua-Plainfield Community School District regular board meeting was called to order by Vice-President Rhonda Poppe at 7:03 p.m. Also present were Directors Laura Folkerts, Pat Lentz, and Cody Jensen; Superintendent Todd Liechty; Secretary Brittany McNeil; Principals Karl Smith and Shannon Wurzer; and one visitor. Absent from the meeting was President Jeff Ulrichs.

Motion by Folkerts, seconded by Jensen to approve the consent agenda as presented:

A) approval of the agenda as presented.

B) approval of the minutes of the previous meeting on August 9, 2021.

C) approval of the bills for payment.

D) approval of the monthly financial reports.

E) approval of the personnel recommendations as follows: approval of the hiring of Chaya Feldman as JH Volleyball Assistant, approval of the hiring of Desiree Bright as JH/HS associate; approval of the reduction of Jill Kalvig from 1.0 to .80 FTE, approval of contract adjustments for professional advancement: Abigail Agan - BA+10 to MA, Hannah Holthaus - BA to BA+10, Sam Brown - BA+20 to MA, Amber McCall - BA+10 to BA+20. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Lentz to approve the August 2021 Cash Flow Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no visitors to address the Board.

There were no public comments or questions on the use of ESSER III funds. Motion by Folkerts, seconded by Lentz to approve the second reading of the 2021-2022 Employee Handbook with changes to include listing defined contact information for the Level 1 Investigator. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Folkerts, seconded by Lentz to approve the end of fiscal year 2021 activity transfers as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Lentz to approve the first reading of board policies as presented. Board policies 504.3 - Student Publications, 504.3R1 - Student Publication Code, and 711.2R2 - Use of Recording Devices on Student Transportation have been rescinded. All three policies have been combined with other board policies. Other policies had minor changes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the concession stand in Plainfield and the importance of a timeline due to next year's season. The

board will allow public input in regards to the Plainfield site at next month's board meeting on October 11, 2021 at 7:00PM in the JH Commons.

Mr. Liechty reviewed standards 1-5 of new ISSL Standards which include: 1 - Mission, Vision, and Core Values 2 - Ethics and Professional Norms 3 - Equity and Cultural Responsiveness

4 - Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment 5 - Community of Care and Support for Students.

Administrative reports were presented by both building Principals and Superintendent Liechty.

The next regular board meeting will be held on October 11, 2021 in the Junior High Commons at 7:00PM.

Motion by Folkerts, seconded by Lentz to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:01 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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SU INSURANCE COMPANYEQUIPMENT BREAKDOWN INSURANCE.....18,998.00
SUPERIOR LUMBERCONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES.....482.52
SWISHER & COHRT, P.L.C.LEGAL SERVICES.....400.00
SYMMETRY ENERGY SOLUTIONS, LLC.....NATURAL GAS.....276.90
T & K TRACTOR REPAIRTRANSPORTATION REPAIR.....4,503.47
TEACHING STRATEGIESINSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES.....418.00

TEAMFITZ GRAPHICS.....TEAM SUPPLIES.....5,010.00
TIME MANAGEMENT SYSTEMSTECHNOLOGY-ADMINISTRATIVE.....135.00
TITUS LOCK SERVICE.....LOCK SERVICE.....768.95
TRUE PITCH, INC.....SPORTS SUPPLIES.....368.74
UMB BANK, N.A. BOND PAYING FEE.....300.00
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.....REGISTRATIONS.....75.00
UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA SCHOLARSHIPS.....1,000.00
US CELLULAR.....CELL PHONE.....2,935.76
US POSTAL SERVICE.....POSTAGE.....4.80
VINTON-SHELLSBURG HIGH SCHOOL.....REGISTRATION.....90.00
WAGWORKS.....FLEX REIMBURSEMENT.....2,728.81
WALMART COMMUNITYGENERAL SUPPLIES.....57.48
WAVERLY-SHELL ROCK HIGH SCHOOL.....EDUCATIONAL SERVICES.....130.00
WEBER PAPER COMPANYPAPER SUPPLIES.....1,067.10
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF IOWA.....FSA ADMINISTRATION.....399.00
WILLIAM PENN UNIVERSITY.....STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP.....500.00
WILSON RESTAURANT SUPPLY, INC.....SUPPLIES.....287.50
WINONA CONTROLS, INC.PREVENTATIVE SERVICE AGREEMENT.....9,006.00
SUB TOTAL.....\$228,933.48
SALARIES.....36,938.78
LIFE INSURANCELIFE INSURANCE.....351.85
DISABILITY INSURANCEDISABILITY INSURANCE.....580.73
HEALTH INSURANCE.....HEALTH INSURANCE.....300.00
BENEFIT ADDEMPLOYEE BENEFIT.....38,297.83
IPERS.....RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS.....36,938.78
MEDICARE.....MEDICARE.....5,619.14
SOCIAL SECURITY.....SOCIAL SECURITY.....24,026.78
SUBTOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSES.....\$466,642.00
GRAND TOTAL.....\$695,575.48

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Huskies win despite homecoming distractions

FOOTBALL: FROM 8

an opportunistic spot with three regular season games left.

"They work well together," said Christensen, about his coordinators. "When we do things right and we put ourselves in the right spot, turnovers will happen."

Trey Nelson leads the Huskies with three interceptions and Sam Fundermann is next in line with two. Those two senior running backs each picked off a pass against BCLUW and the durable duo also played a large part on offense with their steady ground game.

"We're a good defense when we all work together and play as a team," said Nelson.

If N-P can clean up its mistakes – the Huskies turned the ball over two times – the Husky is the limit according to Fundermann.

"As bad as it sounds, when we want to show up and play our best – we can compete with anybody in the state," said Fundermann. "It's a matter of a mindset and how our week of practice goes."

Nelson racked up 85 yards on 17 carries. He scored N-P's final touchdown of the evening on a one-yard plunge in the third quarter to make the score, 38-0. He also converted three 2-point conversions on the ground.

While Nelson gains a lot of his yardage up the middle with tough runs, Fundermann's explosive speed and flair for the dramatic was on full display during N-P's homecoming contest against the 0-5 Comets.

Fundermann took it to it the house on the very first play from scrimmage from 72

yards out. He raced leftsideline untouched to send the Husky homecoming crowd to its feet in jubilation.

Fundermann one-upped himself with five minutes left in the first half on an amazing 65-yard TD catch and run from the strong right arm of junior Bo Harrington. Fundermann hauled in the pass out of the backfield in Husky territory left sideline. He then promptly tight-roped his way down the gridiron, then burst toward the end zone. His only obstacle once he reached the 25-yard line was a Comet cornerback, which he promptly juke and jived his way past and the rest was money in the bank in the form of six points.

"I told myself I was going to score and that's what happened," said Fundermann.

Fundermann gained 117 yards on just 11 carries.

Fundermann and Nelson are battling it out for the team lead in rushing yards. Nelson has gained 433 on the ground. Fundermann is close behind with 422. Nelson is the district's third-leading rusher – Fundermann is fourth.

"I just want to give props to my linemen tonight. They really showed up," said Fundermann. "When they get their blocks, me and Trey run as hard as we possibly can. We owe it to them. When we have good games, it's them."

N-P sophomore wideout Trae Geise made the first varsity catch of his career be a memorable one as he raced to the end zone on a 25-yard post route that hit paydirt. That was the second play of the second quarter and came on a 4th-and-8

play.

Harrington passed for a season-high 144 yards and threw three scoring strikes.

McKade Munn, a senior wideout and the leader on the team with 28.5 tackles, hauled in a seven-yard toss for a score in the second quarter on a roll-out pass from Harrington.

"He ran all the way out and he saw me. He put it in the perfect spot," said Munn. "I just tiptoed in. It was perfect. It couldn't have worked any better."

The contest for N-P was far from perfect, though, as penalties and miscues halted drives in a week that saw Nelson crowned Homecoming King a day earlier.

"Homecoming week sucks. I'll be honest," said Christensen. "Our practice this week was not very good. That's kind of expected."

Up next for N-P is two-time defending state runner-up Grundy Center Friday night on the Spartans home field. N-P plays AGWSR on Senior Night the next week and plays its eighth game of the season at Hudson. If N-P doesn't qualify for the postseason, it is allowed to play a ninth game against an undetermined opponent.

"The three most important games are in the last part of this season. They determine what happens," said Munn.

N-P is vying for a top-four spot in its district. The state takes the top four finishers in each of Class A's eight different districts to comprise 32 total teams that will compete in the playoffs.

"Let's put this in perspective. We now have an opportunity to still qualify for the playoffs," said Christensen.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 38, BCLUW 6									
NP	8	24	6	0	-	38			
BC	0	0	0	6	-	6			

FIRST QUARTER
N - Sam Fundermann 72 run (McKade Munn pass from Bo Harrington) 11:41

SECOND QUARTER
N - Trae Geise 25 pass from Harrington (Trey Nelson run) 11:47
N - Munn 7 pass (Nelson run) 9:30
N - Fundermann 65 pass from Harrington (Nelson run) 5:02

THIRD QUARTER
N - Nelson 1 run (pass failed) 6:40

FOURTH QUARTER
B - Connor Lynch 15 pass from Grant Parker (kick blocked) 1:19

TEAM STATS			
	BC		NP
Rushes-yards	29-92		42-232
Passing yards	68		144
Total yards	160		376
Att-Comp-Int	5-13-2		6-12-1

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD STATS
Rushing - Trey Nelson 17-85, Sam Fundermann 11-117, Bo Harrington 4-8, Jackson Carey 4-2, Aiden Geiner 3-5, Max Hillegas 1-19, McKade Munn 1(-1), Tucker Franzen 1(-3).
Passing - Harrington 6-12-1 - 144.
Receiving - Munn 2-11, Fundermann 1-65, Nelson 1-26, Trae Geise 1-25, Hillegas 1-17.
Tackles - Tate White 6, Harrington



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter
Trae Geise receives congratulations from Nashua-Plainfield teammates after catching a touchdown pass during Friday night's game.

4.5, Nelson 4.5, Munn 4, Kaden Wilken 3.5, Fundermann 3.5, James Woods 3, Landon Pratt 2.5, Aiden Sullivan 2.5, Hillegas 2.5, Aiden Lamborn 2.5, Geiner 2, Joel Winters 1.5, Franzen 1.5, Drew Rodruck 1, Dylan Blanchard 1.
Tackles for loss - White 2, Fundermann 1.5, Hillegas 1.5, Pratt

1.5, Rodruck 1, Munn 1, Nelson 0.5.
Fumble recoveries - Munn, Wilken, Interceptions - Fundermann, Nelson.
Kickoff returns - Munn 1-4, Woods 1-2.
Punt returns - Munn 2-2.0.
Kickoffs - Hillegas 6-46.7.
Punts - Hillegas 2-32.5.

Coach wants team to build momentum for postseason

VOLLEYBALL: FROM 8

followed their lead," said Foelske, in her first year as N-P head coach.

With the win, Nashua-Plainfield (9-11) maintains a half game lead over St. Ansgar (12-9, 4-1) with a 5-1 league mark. The two tangled tonight (Thursday) on the Saints' home floor with the runner-up slot in the conference up for grabs. Tenth-ranked Osage (14-5, 6-0) is the frontrunner in the conference with two league tilts to play against Rockford and Northwood-Kensett.

"They sit right behind us in conference and I think that's where we would like to keep them. They have lost some big players but they are still a talented, scrappy team. We have to bring our 'A' game always when we play Saint," said Foelske.

Foelske said said her players communication was critical and the Husky defense stepped up when they needed to the most against North Butler (11-11, 2-4).

"The girls were able to work hard and play together to keep tips covered as well as covering offensively. North Butler had a few big blocks but for the most part we were able to cover and keep the rally going," said Foelske. "The girls hustled and the ball didn't hit the floor without someone going for it. This is something we have struggled with this year."

Makenzie Foelske, N-P's senior all-conference outside hitter, was lights out on this evening. Foelske drilled 16 kills to the floor and also recorded 13 digs.

"That all comes because of the team taking care of the ball and putting her into that position," said Mindy Foelske.

N-P senior libero Abbie Hyde – another senior all-conference player for the Huskies – was stellar in her defense with 24 digs. She was also 17-17 serving to go along with two aces.

"There was hustle from everyone, something I haven't seen this year," said Mindy Foelske.

Husky junior setter Paige Ripley also recorded two aces and once again led the team in assists with 27.

N-P sophomores Jalynn Pratt and Myranda Webster each tallied six kills apiece. N-P senior middle Breanna Hackman notched five kills and junior Bailey Fisher accumulated four kills.

"I want the girls to be aggressive and that's what they did... that's our game. When we start depending on tipping and pushing it doesn't usually go well for us," said Mindy Foelske.

N-P was 70-74 serving as a team with five aces.

N-P has just three more matches in the regular season

after the showdown with St. Ansgar. N-P hosts West Fork on Senior Night on Tuesday, Oct. 5. Then the regular season concludes on Tuesday, Oct. 12 in a triangular at Lake Mills.

"Our regular season is winding down but we can't let up. We need to keep doing the little things and working as one to stay where we are in conference and get into postseason play with confidence," said Mindy Foelske.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 3, NORTH BUTLER 0			
Nashua-Plainfield	25	26	25
North Butler	19	24	21
Kills - Makenzie Foelske	16,		
Jalynn Pratt	6,	Myranda Webster	6,
Breanna Hackman	5,	Bailey Fisher	4,
Abbie Hyde	3,	Paige Ripley	1.
Assists - Ripley	27,	Pratt	4,
Fisher	1,	Webster	1,
Hyde	24,	Foelske	13,
Fisher	10,	Pratt	9,
Hackman	3,	Webster	2.
Blocks - Foelske	3,	Webster	1.
Serving - Ripley	15-16,	Hackman	10-10,
Fisher	8-8,	Pratt	10-13,
Foelske	10-10,	Hyde	17-17.
Aces - Hyde	2,	Pratt	2,
Hackman	1.		

CHICKASAW COUNTY

September 13, 2021
The Board convened on Monday, September 13th, 2021, at 9:00 AM with all members present Byrne, Holthaus, Hackman, Zoll, and Kuhn in the Boardroom located on the second floor of the Courthouse, New Hampton, Iowa. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Holthaus. Also present were Auditor Stephanie Mashek, Jeff Bernatz, and Joan Knoll.

Motion by Kuhn, Second by Zoll to approve the agenda for September 13, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Second by Hackman to approve the minutes from September 7th, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

9:05 AM No Public Comment
Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the invoice to Iowa Precinct Atlas Consortium in the amount of \$3,000 and direct the Auditor to pay the invoice from the election budget. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Byrne, Kuhn, and Holthaus. Nays-Zoll. Motion Carried.

9:15 AM Jeff Bernatz provided an update for the Radio Communication Tower Project update. The coverage testing begins on September 27, 2021. Bernatz spoke with Wess regarding inventory and Wess still has 100 mobiles and 15 portables in his possession.

Dusty Rolando presented at 9:15 AM. Bernatz stated that weeds were sprayed around the tower site. Discussion on the insurance needs for the Radio Communication Tower Project. Discussion on the final payment terms. Bernatz stated the final payment is due when the project is completed.

Rolando stated that his office is still putting in numbers for the damage done by the flooding. Estimated around \$550,000 for FEMA funds, which is below the \$1 million dollar threshold to initiative FEMA funding, and discussion on the State ER funding. Rolando said around \$250,000 is not covered and will have to be taken out of the Secondary Road budget. Rolando leased an extra-tor for \$10,000 per month. State wide

threshold for funding is \$5 million and most likely will not be met. Bernatz encouraged residents to assess the damage to their property and take the necessary steps to turn in their information.

Marty Hemann present at 9:35 AM. Hemann stated that the deputy's vehicle is totaled out on the Boyd Blacktop due to the washout of the road.

Hackman questioned the invoice for the transport of an inmate via ambulance. Hemann stated that the county has to pay and then seek reimbursement per Iowa Code.

Toni Frederich presented at 9:41 AM. Hemann stated this invoice will use up half of his budget line item for the ambulance invoice but Gansen has been keeping the medical costs at a minimum. Hackman questioned whether or not the inmate has insurance that would cover the cost. Byrne asked whether or not the county will be invoiced for the inmate's emergency visit to the hospital.

Hemann left at 9:48 AM.
Hackman questioned the secondary road invoice for new LED lighting at the shop. Rolando responded he received only one quote from Eric Hoey and accepted the quote.

Discussion on the county observed holiday closing schedule.

Motion by Kuhn, Second by Hackman to approve the Chickasaw County Offices Holiday Closing Schedule for calendar year 2022 and publish in our official newspapers Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

10:00 AM Toni Frederich discussed the Medical Examiner Investigator and stated that there has been no increase in pay for the past four years. Frederich asked that the fees be increased from \$150 to \$250 per case. Frederich said that there are some months with no cases and other months there are a few cases. Frederich has taken care of ten cases this calendar year. Hackman asked if an additional Medical Examiner Investigator needs to be added to the roster. Frederich would like another Medical Examiner Investigator to help with coverage. Frederich stated that there is state reporting that takes additional time for each case.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne for Chickasaw County Medical Examiner Investigator rate of pay to increase to \$225 per case effective September 13, 2021. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Byrne, Kuhn, Zoll, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll to advertise for another Medical Examiner Investigator for Chickasaw County, open until filled, by posting to social media and other free outlets. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Byrne, Kuhn, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Frederich and Bernatz left at 10:20 AM.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the 28E Agreement with the Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging and authorize chairperson's signature and file with the county recorder. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Byrne, Zoll, Kuhn, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Chairperson recessed at 10:24 AM. The Board reconvened on September 13th, 2021 at 10:30 AM with all members present Holthaus, Zoll, Byrne, Hackman, and Kuhn. Also present were Auditor Stephanie Mashek and Dusty Rolando.

10:30 AM Dusty Rolando discussion on road department activities. Secondary road employees have been putting in over time for the past two weeks due to the flooding and over time was discontinued as of last Friday. Blading continues on the gravel roads, spot rocking some areas, and pulling rocks out of ditches. Discussion on mud-jacking around the courthouse. The new quote for the mud-jacking for the sidewalk on the west side of the courthouse \$4,100. A quote for caulking the north and west side of the courthouse is \$1,900.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the quote in the amount of \$4,100 for the mud-jacking of the sidewalk on the west side of the courthouse and \$1,900 for sealing the north and west sidewalks of the courthouse. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Byrne, Kuhn, Zoll, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Mike Galloway present via phone at 10:47 AM.

Motion by Byrne, Second by Zoll to enter into closed session at 10:48 AM pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i) "[t]o evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session." Per Rolando's request. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Byrne, Kuhn, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.
Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to end the closed session at 11:44 AM. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Byrne, Kuhn, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.
No action taken.
Rolando reviewed County Engineer's IDOT annual report for FY2021.

Byrne asked the status of the bridge in Fredericksburg. Rolando stated that the construction company has requested that the project be pushed to next year. Rolando stated that the Iowa DOT has to be in agreement with it due to the SWAP funding for this project.
Discussed the budget amendment for FY 2021-2022.
Rolando left at 12:50 PM.

Committee Assignment Updates:
Zoll attended a FMC Landfill board meeting September 9, 2021.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Kuhn to approve the claims in the amount of \$7,083.95. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Byrne, Second by Hackman to approve the claims in the amount of \$335,452.74. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Kuhn to adjourn at 1:17 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Richard Holthaus, Chairperson, Board of Supervisor
ATTEST: Stephanie Mashek, Secretary of the Board

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FY 2020/2021 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance -- Actual and Budget
For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021
County Name: CHICKASAW COUNTY County

		General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Permanent	Actual Totals	Budgeted Totals	
Revenues & Other Financing Sources									
Taxes Levied on Property	1	4,772,308	2,140,724		471,070		7,384,102	6,618,169	1
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2		0		0		0	0	2
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3		0		0		0	308,350	3
Net Current Property Taxes	4	4,772,308	2,140,724		471,070		7,384,102	6,309,819	4
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5	18,174	9,570		2,413		30,157	500	5
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6	41,472					41,472	25,000	6
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7	148,623	1,026,366	0	19,142	0	1,194,131	909,006	7
Intergovernmental	8	1,494,635	174,004	0	4,523,386	0	6,192,025	4,922,068	8
Licenses & Permits	9	21,812	16,245	0	0	0	38,057	7,600	9
Charges for Service	10	954,417	121,678	0	0	0	1,076,095	1,263,961	10
Use of Money & Property	11	75,056	2,041	15,514	400	0	93,011	40,810	11
Miscellaneous	12	258,457	41,908	0	0	0	300,365	110,750	12
Subtotal Revenues	13	7,784,954	3,532,536	15,514	5,016,411	0	16,349,415	13,589,514	13
Other Financing Sources:									
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14	14,126	0	0	0	0	14,126	3,250,000	14
Operating Transfers In	15	200,000	1,688,863	0	0	0	1,888,863	1,888,863	15
Proceeds of Capital Asset Sales	16	7,028	0	0	0	0	7,028	0	16
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17	8,006,108	5,221,399	15,514	5,016,411	0	18,259,432	18,728,377	17
Expenditures & other Financing Uses									
Operating:									
Public Safety and Legal Services	18	2,198,327	211,220			0	2,409,547	2,609,201	18
Physical Health Social Services	19	1,403,711	0			0	1,403,711	1,580,812	19
Mental Health, ID & DD	20	0	359,452			0	359,452	360,150	20
County Environment and Education	21	425,853	203,669			0	629,522	707,779	21
Roads & Transportation	22	0	6,053,765			0	6,053,765	6,225,960	22
Government Services to Residents	23	445,902	0			0	445,902	529,363	23
Administration	24	1,568,147	0			0	1,568,147	1,857,302	24
Nonprogram Current	25	6,398	0			0	6,398	0	25
Debt Service	26	0	0		515,885	0	515,885	520,655	26
Capital Projects	27	0	139,029	3,199,673		0	3,338,702	5,483,778	27
Subtotal Expenditures	28	6,048,338	6,967,135	3,199,673	515,885	0	16,731,031	19,875,000	28
Other Financing Uses:									
Operating Transfers Out	29	205,000	1,683,863	0	0	0	1,888,863	1,888,863	29
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	31	6,253,338	8,650,998	3,199,673	515,885	0	18,619,894	21,763,863	31
Changes in fund balances	32	1,752,770	-3,429,599	-3,184,159	4,500,526	0	-360,462	-3,035,486	32
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1, 2020	33	6,178,148	0	4,614,173	11,302	0	10,803,623	8,314,625	33
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budget)	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Fund Balance - Restricted	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,194,725	36
Fund Balance - Committed	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
Fund Balance - Assigned	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39	7,930,918	-3,429,599	1,430,014	4,511,828	0	10,443,161	84,414	39
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2021	40	7,930,918	-3,429,599	1,430,014	4,511,828	0	10,443,161	5,279,139	40

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Huskies put together their season-best performance

Nashua-Plainfield tops North Butler in key East Division match

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield picked a perfect time to come up with its match of the year thus far in 2021.

The Husky volleyball team only played in one match last week but head coach Mindy Foelske's squad sure made it count.



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter
Makenzie Foelske goes up to record a kill during a match against Osage earlier this season.

The Huskies closed out the match by sending North Butler packing with a game-three score of 25-21.

"This match was the best I have seen us play as a team this year. The seniors went in knowing this was their chance to take down a huge rival. They are great leaders and the younger girls

SEE VOLLEYBALL, 6

N-P maintained its half game lead over St. Ansgar in the Top of Iowa East Conference standings with a resounding victory over rival North Butler on the road on Tuesday, Sept. 21.

The Huskies took game one over the Bears 25-19. Then N-P was faced with a daunting task in the ensuing game. NB took a commanding 12-4 lead, but N-P did not back down and outlasted their biggest conference rival by gaining control of the match with a game-two, 26-24, conquest.

"I felt like the girls knew their jobs and played with confidence even when things were not looking like they were in our favor," said Foelske.



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter
Nashua-Plainfield's Sam Fundermann (above) breaks a tackle while teammate James Woods (below) returns a kickoff in the Huskies' homecoming victory over BCLUW this past Friday.

ROLLING ON HOMECOMING

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD HITS ON ALL CYLINDERS IN 38-6 DISTRICT WIN OVER BCLUW

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Maybe Nashua-Plainfield can't claim to be king of the hill.

But the top team in Class A, at least as far as defensive takeaways are concerned are your Nashua-Plainfield Huskies.

Linn-Mar Marion, ranked sixth in Class 5A, is the biggest generator of turnovers (24) in the state. The Lions, unblemished at 5-0 on the year, uncorked a whopping six total takeaways in a 65-0 rout of Cedar Rapids Jefferson last week.

The Huskies are still climbing that mountain in their quest to be No. 1 in Iowa prep football with 19 turnovers.

The Huskies and head coach Andrew Christensen's wing-T offensive attack added four more takeaways in a 38-6 dominating effort last Friday night over winless

BCLUW.

N-P improved to 2-3 on the season and more importantly, earned a district win to now stand 1-2 in Class A, District 3. The Huskies earned their first victory of 2021 with a 28-0 shellacking of Class 1A Central Springs three weeks ago.

One of the reasons N-P is in the hunt for its first postseason appearance since 2014 is its defense, which has forced 11 fumbles and picked off eight passes through five games.

N-P co-coordinators Nick Henningsen and Jason Fisher have helped guide a defensive unit that has seen 11 different players recover a fumble. That means no one on the team has more than one fumble recovery.

It's that ball-hawking mentality where everyone on defense is rushing to the ball that has put N-P in

SEE FOOTBALL, 6



Dorothy Huber/Reporter
A trio of Nashua-Plainfield runners (above) — Ellie Eick, Jennah Carpenter and Amerley Gerholdt — get ready to attack a hill while Luke Paplow (below) competes in the boys race at the Nashua-Plainfield Invitational last week.

Huskies take on home course challenge

N-P has plenty of reasons to smile after meets in Nashua and Manly

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Kara Levi described the gradual inclines at her home cross country course as brutal after the Husky senior put a wrap on her running career at the golf course that features slopes that can take down even the best of runners.

That led her to jokingly admit her final run at the Nashua Town and Country Club will thankfully be her last.

"I would rather let myself get hit by a car than run this course again," said Levi, who finished 22nd overall in a time of 26:41.

Levi, who competed along with her teammates at the state meet last year in Fort Dodge as junior, is looking to get back. One way to crack the state field is to gear up for the postseason by tackling the challenging rolling hills that the Nashua golf course possesses.

"Cross country in general, it's made me a lot stronger, physically, obviously, but mentally I think I've gotten a lot stronger as well. Knowing I'll never run here again, it's a little sad, but right now I'm just enjoying it, being with my team," said Levi.

N-P, ranked 11th in girls Class 1A ratings,

SEE CROSS COUNTRY, 5



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tational, 4:30 p.m.

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