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Park Board campground to open next week

By Bob Fenske

Of the Reporter

The Nashua Park Board was hoping to kick off the 2022 camping season on Easter weekend, but Mother Nature had other ideas. But beginning April 21, campsites will be open at Cedar View Park. “We were aiming for this week-

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... and we’re almost at capacity.” Campers come throughout Northeast Iowa and beyond to enjoy the campground that sits near the lake shore. “It really is like a community of its own,” he said, “and it always amazes me to drive through or walk

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going to open come hell or high water on the 21st.” Sinnwell said the campground not only supports various Park Board projects and events but it also benefits the community as a whole. “We have 43 spots available, and you take the big weekends — the Memorial Days, Water of the Dam Days, the Fourth of July, Labor Day

end,” Park Board Chairman Nate Sinnwell said, “but the weather hasn’t exactly been exactly screaming camping yet, has it? But we’re



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Another week, another case of sticker shock

Despite price hikes, supervisors give OK for vehicle purchases

By Bob Fenske

Of the Reporter

For a third straight week, the members of the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors experienced “sticker shock” as they learned that the cost of purchasing new vehicles for the Secondary Roads Department is going up. Like way up.

But board members — two weeks after seeing rock prices go up by 8 percent and a bridge replacement project increasing by more than 30 percent — voted to give Chickasaw County Engineer Roman Lensing the go-ahead to pursue buying a new pickup truck and a new dump truck for Secondary Roads.

Lensing received a quote of \$37,438.26 for a new pickup truck and he said that represented a 17 percent increase from what the county spent for a pickup in 2021. He also said a dump truck with the necessary attachments would cost the county \$254,323.98, up 16 percent from a year ago.

If there was any good news, it was that Lensing had received an earlier estimate for the dump truck that was around \$280,000.

Supervisor Jake Hackman wondered how long the county could continue to afford buying vehicles if the recent inflationary trend continues. “Are you going to back down from your equipment purchases or are we going to keep paying 17 percent more,” he asked Lensing.

But Supervisor Jason Byrne said he felt the county needed to make the purchases now for two reasons. He said it was important that with it being so difficult to be able to purchase vehicles that the county didn’t want to be “left behind” and then get stuck without equipment if its older vehicles broke down. And he added “we’re just going to pay more later anyway.”

The board approved both purchases, although Hackman did cast a dissenting vote on the pickup purchase.

Also on Monday, supervisors discussed

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Dylan Blanchard (above) keeps an eye on the dodgeballs coming at him while John Iriarte (below center) joins his “6 Guys, 1 Ball” teammates in the stands during a fundraising tournament that was put on by Nashua-Plainfield High School students last week.

DODGEBALL FOR A CAUSE

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD STUDENTS PUT ON TOURNAMENT TO SUPPORT FAMILY OF JEREMY IRIARTE

By Kelly Terpstra

Of the Reporter

Duck, dip and dive — don’t forget to donate. The three simple rules of dodgeball helped the towns of Nashua and Plainfield laugh and remember on Friday night.

The grieving process involves a lot more than just tears and heartache — sometimes a smile can go a long ways to help heal.

That’s why the Huskies’ gym was packed with plenty of people last weekend to show support for a fallen member of their community.

That outpouring of love helped comfort and provide solace for the family of 2007 N-P grad Jeremy Iriarte — who passed away unexpectedly last month at the age of 33.

Members of Sam Brown’s leadership class at N-P High School put on a fundraiser for Jeremy’s wife Amber and they’re four children — Aidyn, Gabriel, Harmony and Oakley.

“It just shows goes to show, as many people as we have out here, what kind of community support we have — especially for one of our own. That’s pretty exciting and a special thing to celebrate in small town Iowa,” said Brown.

Brown said the event raised over \$1,500 and those proceeds went directly to Amber and her kids.

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State Sen. Waylon Brown discusses a number of issues during last Saturday’s legislative forum.

Bob Fenske/Reporter

Area lawmakers will miss legislative forums

By Bob Fenske

Of the Reporter

Both lawmakers who represent Chickasaw County in the Iowa Legislature won’t be doing so next year, and that meant that this past Saturday’s legislative forum, in a sense, was the end of an era.

It marked in all likelihood the final time that the Chickasaw County Farm Bureau will invite

State Sen. Waylon Brown, R-St. Ansgar, and State Rep. Todd Prichard, D-Charles City, to New Hampton to have a little coffee, sit down with residents and talk about what’s going on in Des Moines.

And although Prichard was unable to attend the forum, both men said they felt a little sadness that their days of

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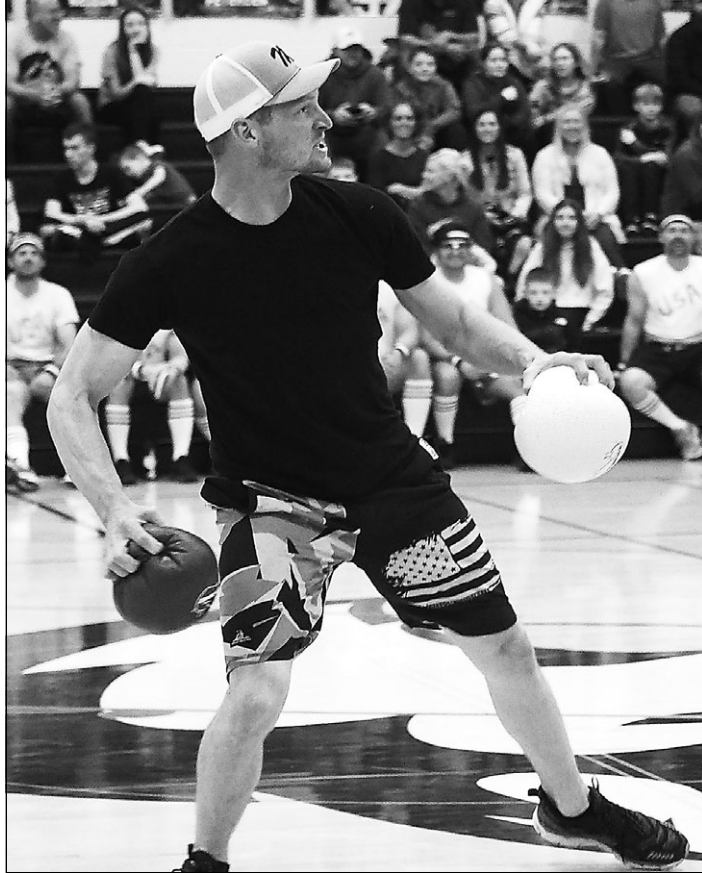
Jaxon Hansen (above) winds up to throw a dodgeball while Clint Deutsch (below) gets ready to throw two balls during a fundraising tournament that was held last Friday in the Nashua-Plainfield High School gymnasium.

Dodgeball tourney may become annual event

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So it only made sense that of the 14 teams that raced around the hardwood floor and rifled rockets of multi-colored, bouncy spheres at their opponents that a Iriarte family member would take home top honors. Jeremy's older brother – John – and his team “6 Guys, 1 Ball” defeated “Your Mom’s Favorite Bad Boys” twice to claim the championship. “It’s awesome to see everybody come here and do something exciting, especially for Jeremy’s family – fundraiser and all that stuff,” said John. “There’s no words to explain the community outreach and everybody that’s helped.” John’s squad was comprised mostly of law enforcement officials. John – an Iowa State Patrol trooper – became interested in the law enforcement field because of his little brother.

Jeremy worked as a Floyd County Sheriff’s Deputy for six years prior to becoming Nashua’s police chief. Then the Army reservist headed to Kuwait in 2020 for military deployment. “He’s the reason where I’m at in a career choice,” said



John. “I saw what he did. I rode around with him a few times and I liked it. I followed his footsteps.” John said this isn’t the first time his family has experienced

the unspeakable loss of a loved one. John and Jeremy’s mother – Elizabeth “Lizzy” Iriarte – passed away two years ago at the age of 53. The Plainfield resident left a big void in the

life of her two sons. “It was only just my brother, my mom and I growing up,” said John. There were 84 registered dodgeball players out on the court and many more fans and supporters in the stands. John and Jeremy’s family knows that there’s also many more from his hometown and alma mater that will find a way to help those close to him see the light during tough times. “It’s assuring that other people know that a community like this has everybody’s backs,” said John. “This event here reflects how much of an influence he had on the community and how much people thought highly of him as well.” Jeremy, who coached youth football and wrestling at N-P, may have a dodgeball tournament named in his honor. Could this tourney become an annual event every year at N-P?

Brown wouldn’t rule that possibility out. “We’d love it to,” said Brown. “So if it’s something that we can do every year and we can raise money for a great cause every year – that’s a no-brainer.”



McKade Munn (left) dodges a ball, the “SCARVZ” team (above) poses for a team photo and another game (below) is about to start during last week’s dodgeball tournament.



Legislators appreciate civility at county forums

FORUM: FROM 1

attending forums in New Hampton had come to an end. “I’ve really enjoyed it, and I really mean that,” Brown said on Saturday near the end of the meeting that was held at the Chickasaw Event Center. “I know that there have been people sitting out in the room who don’t always agree with me or my positions, but I’ve always appreciated how we’ve been able to have civil, respectful conversations.” A couple of days later, Prichard echoed those comments. “Trust me, I know full well that some of the people who come to the forums don’t agree with me politically,” he said, “but over the course of the last 10 years, no one’s shouted, no one’s screamed and hollered. It’s the way politics should be, and meeting with my constituents and helping them, that’s what I’m going to miss.”

Brown’s St. Ansgar residence, meanwhile, has moved into Senate District 30, and much of his district that includes all of Worth and Mitchell counties, much of Cerro Gordo County and the northwestern part of Floyd County. He has announced that he will seek election in his new district, an election that for a time it appeared he wouldn’t have to face after State Sen. Amanda Ragan, D-Mason City, announced she would not seek re-election. Ragan, however, did not file her paperwork before the deadline, triggering an election this fall – one in which he will face Clear Lake resident Whitney Mixdorf, who filed as a Democrat. Asked if he felt Ragan’s not filing the paperwork in time was “politics as usual,” Brown took the high road. “I’ll say this: Over 50 percent of my district hasn’t been represented by me before,” he

said, “and I think they should have the right to have their voices heard. ... Secondly, if we wouldn’t have had an election, a lot of that district would end up going six year without having a vote for state senator and that’s not right.” If Brown is elected in the fall, he would serve a two-year term and face another election campaign in 2024. Yet, he told the small crowd in attendance Saturday that he hoped they would “stay in touch.” “I don’t think boundary lines should keep us from talking to each other,” he said. “I feel like I’ve built a lot of good relationships here in Chickasaw County, and I hope to continue those relationships.” And for one last time, on Saturday, he talked issues with residents of Chickasaw County. Brown said he expects the Legislature will have to work “overtime” this session. The 100-day session is supposed to end this coming Wednesday, but Brown wasn’t confident that the Senate and the House, although both controlled by the GOP, would reach agreement on a budget bill by then. “We’re still \$75 million apart and with the new tax bill, I think we in the Senate feel like we have to get the spending right,” he said. “We’ll get there, but I don’t think we’re going to do it by [next week].” Reached on Monday, Prichard said he, too, didn’t believe that legislators would wrap up their work in time, but he said other issues – like a school voucher bill passed by the Senate but not approved by the House – besides the budget are proving to be sticking points. And he went on record once again as being adamantly opposed to school vouchers. “Public money needs to go to public education,” he said, “and that’s a line in the sand for me.”

Their Fight Is Our Fight 5K to support suicide prevention, mental health

The second annual Their Fight Is Our Fight 5K will be held on Friday, April 29 at Mikkelson Park in New Hampton, and this year’s event will also include an option for participants who would like to take a shorter walk. The registration fee is \$35 and includes a guaranteed t-shirt for the event that raises money for suicide prevention and mental health awareness. Those who would like to sign up for the event can do so at the Their Fight Is Our Fight Facebook page or at the Chickasaw Wellness Complex, New Hampton Parks and Recreation office or Office World. This year’s event will include a meal, silent auction, two speakers and, of course, the run/walk. One change from a year ago is that walkers will have the option to not take part in the 5K but instead, walk around the trail at Mikkelson Park. The April 29 event will begin with registration at 4:30 p.m., and a meal will be served anytime between 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. The silent auction runs from 4:30 to 7 p.m., and the program before the race will begin at 5:40 p.m., with runners and walkers setting off at 6 p.m. The rain date for the event is Saturday, April 30.



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Ronald A. Bilharz, 80

Ronald A. Bilharz, age 80 of Nashua, died Saturday, April 9, 2022, surrounded by his wife and children in Charles City.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 14, 2022, at St. John Lutheran Church in Nashua with the Rev. Todd Burrichter officiating.

Interment was held at Greenwood Cemetery, Nashua with Cody Johnson, Brandon Bilharz, Mathew Goddard, Taylor Haut, Austin Deutsch, Zachary Dukeshier, Tanner Haut, Jayden Jost, Dylan Bilharz, and Seth Dukeshier serving as pallbearers.

Friends greeted the family from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 13, 2022, at Hugelback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua. Visitation continued an hour prior to the service at the church on Thursday.

Ron was born on Oct. 12, 1941, to Clair and Mildred (Altenburg) in Charles City, and he was the second oldest of the 9 Bilharz children. He grew up near Bassett, helping his parents on their farm and attending Charles City High School, where he was active in FFA and a member of the Class of 1960.

After high school, he worked construction before taking a job with Oliver Tractor, which later became White Farm, in Charles City and worked at the plant until 1979, when he took a job as a truck driver delivering feed at the Farmers Coop in Nashua, where he worked for 24 years before retiring.

Ron, like four of his brothers, served his country in the mili-



Ron Bilharz

tary as a member of the Army National Guard from 1963 to 1969, and he was a longtime member of the American Legion who always did his utmost to support his fellow veterans.

He married Susan Marreel in 1966, and they had three children — Ron Jr., Bradley, and Becky — before they later divorced.

The Bilharz children fondly recall their fishing and camping trips, and their father taught them the value of putting in an honest day's work and doing their best.

Ron lived in rural Floyd County until moving to Nashua. One of his neighbors up the street was Janet Schultz. One night, he knocked on her door, she answered and he asked her out on a date. The rest is history. The two were married on June 8, 1993, in Canton, South Dakota, and the blended family that included Janet's children — Connie,

Christy, Cathy, and Carey — meshed well together.

He also was the proud grandpa to 17 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Ron enjoyed fishing, hunting, woodworking, tractors, and he had a great sense of humor. He was also a longtime member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Nashua.

He was a wonderful husband to Janet for 29 years, a stand-up brother to his siblings, a loving father, and a grandfather and friend to many, and he will be dearly missed by many.

Ron is survived by his wife, Janet, of Nashua; his children, Bradley (Dawne) Bilharz of Charles City, Becky (Todd) Dukeshier of Waterloo, Connie (Bruce) Goddard of Charles City, Christy (Jeremy) Deutsch of Nashua, Cathy (Kenny) Haut of Plainfield, and Carey (Jason) Agnitsch of Nashua; 16 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren; his siblings, Robert (Debbie) Bilharz of Nashua, Randall Bilharz of Nashua; James (Bonnie) Bilharz of Little Falls, Minnesota; Joan Bilharz of Sulphur Springs, Texas; Susan (Paul) Sedgwick of Charles City, and Dan (Patty) Bilharz of Nashua; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clair and Mildred Bilharz; a son, Ron Bilharz Jr.; a granddaughter, Amanda Bearman; two brothers, Richard and Gerald; three sisters-in-law, Sandra, Helen, and Nancy; three brothers-in-law, Merlin, Keith and Rick; and a sister-in-law, Starlene Bilharz.

Ronald Lee Fish, 68

Ronald Lee Fish, age 68 of Nashua, died Sunday morning, April 10, 2022, at Floyd County Medical Center in Charles City, of a heart attack.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 15, 2022, at First Baptist Church in Plainfield, with Rev. Dennis Bachman officiating.

Interment will be held at Willow Lawn Cemetery in Plainfield, with his grandchildren serving as pallbearers.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, April 14, 2022, at Hugelback Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory — Olson Chapel in Nashua. Visitation continues an hour prior to the church service on Friday.

Ron was born July 29, 1953, to Leo and Evelyn (Kingery) Fish in Charles City. He was the fourth child of nine. Ronald graduated from Plainfield High School in 1971 and attended Yale University, playing football and baseball.

He received his degree in accounting from Upper Iowa and spent much of his career at Sara Lee Bakery in New Hampton. Ron is well known for his math skills and especially enjoyed tax season when he assisted many friends and family.

On Aug. 25, 1973, Ron married his high school sweetheart Susan Joy Shepard. To this union, three children were born. Ron and Sue were married for 19 years before she passed away on June 20, 1993, from ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease).

Ron married Nancy Litterer Katcher on June 24, 1995, and



Ron Fish

they were married for 26 years. Ron was proud of his 13 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Ron was a lifelong member of First Baptist Church in Plainfield, where he served as a Sunday School and Bible School teacher, treasurer, and member of the diocese and trustee boards. Ron was devoted to his faith and passed that on to his family by his example.

Ron was also active in his community serving on the School Board and Booster Club. He enjoyed playing on competitive fast pitch and slow pitch softball teams as well as volleyball leagues. He had since taken his competitive spirit to the golf course where he enjoyed countless hours with friends and family. Supporting his children and grandchildren in their many activities was a priority that Ron cherished.

Ron and Nancy loved to travel with family and friends. There have been many memo-

orable trips throughout the years including cabin adventures in Wisconsin and Illinois with children and grandchildren to celebrate milestone anniversaries. Ron was proud to have traveled to all 50 states.

Most of all Ron loved and cared for his family and helped many through difficult times. His selfless nature and sense of humor brought joy and comfort to many.

Ron is survived by his wife Nancy; six children, Tonya (Tim) Fish Schmidt, Michelle Fish, Adam Fish, Jason (Joanna) Katcher, Joshua Katcher, and Jennifer (Jeff) Katcher Jensen; 13 grandchildren, Elizabeth and Gehrig Schmidt, Breanna (Caleb) Katcher Maggart, Baylie, Braeden, and Brynne Katcher, Adrianna, Kora, Deni, and Isabelle Katcher, and Alexis, Jayce, and Trey Jensen; one great-granddaughter Vivian Maggart; sisters Jeannette Driscoll, Nancy (Dale) Swannstrom, Pam (Lee) Hartfiel, Martha (Dennis) Rego, Julie Fish, and Lisa Fish; in-laws Mary Jean (John) Kruse, Linda (Ted) Giannoni, Carole (Larry) Schilling, Wayne Litterer, Ron (Jan) Litterer, Dennis (Lisa) Litterer, and Dave (Barb) Litterer; and aunts, uncle, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Ron was preceded in death by his wife Susan, parents, sister Kathy Frink, brother Stephen Fish; grandparents Byron and Leatha (Bisby) Fish and Vern and Mabel (Smith) Kingery, Maude Kingery; In-laws Claud and Marian (Peterson) Shepard and Elmer and Majoyre (Crooks) Litterer.



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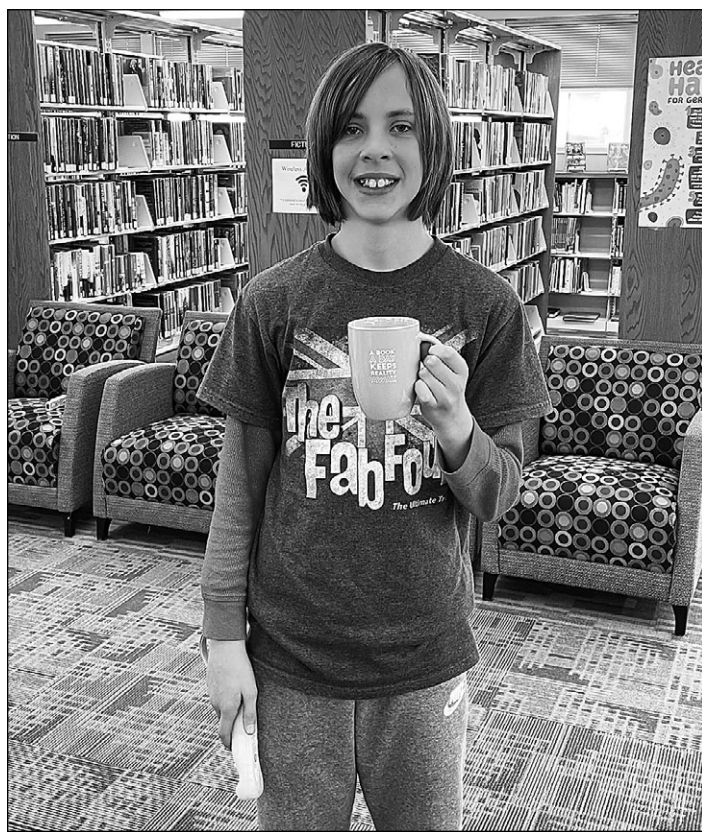
Wrapping up National Library Week

The Nashua Public Library wrapped up National Library Week with a Wii bowling tournament this past Saturday, when residents like Mayor Alex Anthofer's family (above) and others took part in the event that was won by Chris Niedert (right).

Other winners during the annual week to celebrate the library included Jeannie Pfaffle an adult basket winner and Grayson Moore in kids basket winner.

The contest also had a daily Facebook trivia contest and the winners were:

- Monday — Michelle Marshall
- Tuesday — Tabatha Corathers
- Wednesday — Chelsea/Scott Brase



- Thursday — Sherry Wait
- Saturday — Miranda Aberg

First Security promotes Nashua resident

First Security Bank and Trust recently announced that Nashua resident Christy Pierce has been promoted to assistant vice president in her role as the bank's recruitment and development manager.

Pierce has been with First Security since 2019. She started as the bank's training coordinator and before long added employee recruitment and development to her duties.

Christy joined First Security with over 20 years of banking experience, a bach-



Pierce

elor's degree in finance from the University of Iowa, and a master's degree in human resources from Upper Iowa University.

"Christy came to us with many years of banking experience in a variety of areas," First Security Chief Administrative Officer Heidi Worrall said. Her broad background allowed her to jump right in and assist with training and recruiting.

"She's enthusiastic about anything she gets involved in and is willing to assist wherever needed. She's been a great addition to our team!"

First Security Bank & Trust has locations across north-central Iowa and headquarters in Charles City.

Floyd County Museum claims Silos and Smokestack award

The Floyd County Museum has been named the Silos and Smokestacks People's Choice "Site of the Year."

"We couldn't have done it without all the voting from the community and the hard work of all our volunteers," said Sara Renaud, the museum's interim director.

Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area celebrates the best in heritage development by presenting the "People's Choice Site of the Year." The honor is bestowed on the partner site that gets the most votes in an online public contest, among the five sites identified by Silos and Smokestacks each year.

Renaud said that the museum received about 68 percent of the vote.

"A big credit needs to go to Jennifer Thiele for all her hard work and energy here," Renaud said.

Thiele, the former director, recently resigned her position at the museum to accept a job at the National Czech & Slovak Museum in Cedar Rapids. The museum is looking for Thiele's replacement.

The mission of the Floyd County Historical Society is to keep alive an active interest in Floyd County history by collecting, preserving, and interpreting materials relating to Floyd County.

— James Grob

The Easter Story

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

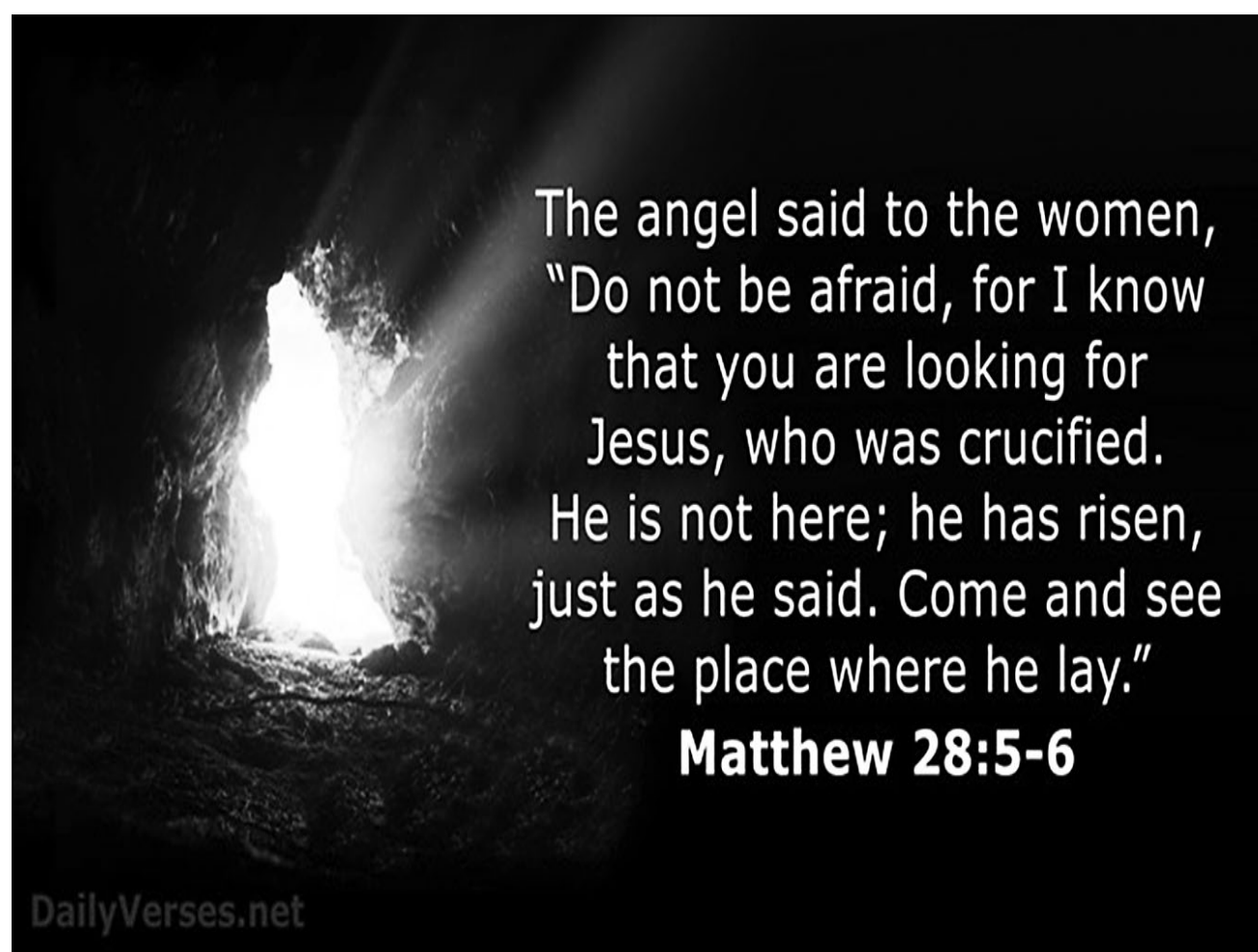
Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

On the evening of that first day of



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the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and

side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on

them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

— John 20: 1-23

The angel said to the women,
"Do not be afraid, for I know
that you are looking for
Jesus, who was crucified.
He is not here; he has risen,
just as he said. Come and see
the place where he lay."

Matthew 28:5-6

Conservation Board looks at adding cabins to county campgrounds

Director says he will seek grants from a new state program to add buildings at Airport Lake, Split Rock

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

Chickasaw County Conservation Board Director Chad Humpal believes he can make a strong case to state officials when it comes to securing a Destination Iowa grant that would allow the county to add three cabins to campgrounds in the county.

Just how much the county would have to pay for the project may remain up in the air, but the Board of Supervisors on Monday gave Humpal the OK to seek the grants on the same day they learned that the Conservation Board is seeking to purchase 205 acres of wildlife hunting habitat land a couple of miles east of Ionia.

Humpal covered a lot of ground during a 90-minute session with the Board of Supervisors, and he proposed to county leaders that two 24-by-12 cabins be placed at the campground in Airport Lake Park and one cabin the same size be placed in Split Rock Park's campground.

He estimated that the cost of the cabins — which would be prefabricated buildings — and the furnishings would cost about \$12,395 per cabin and that the Conservation Board would charge between \$65 and \$75 per night.

"I think it's one of those things that would be a pretty popular thing," he said. "We do take calls, we do have people ask us if we have cabins, and we think they would be used."

He told supervisors that his original plan was to approach them about purchasing the buildings and the furnishings, a mini-fridge, a microwave, mattresses, futon and window air conditioning using county funds.

But last Thursday, Humpal learned that Gov. Kim Reynolds had signed the Iowa Destination bill that will lead to grants to promote tourism in the state. He said that the grants could cover up to 40 percent of the costs,

although later in the meeting, Auditor Stephanie Mashek said the way she read the grant process is that the county could receive up to 100 percent of the project costs if the project was under \$500,000.

"With where we're at, with our proximity to Minnesota and Wisconsin," Humpal said, "I would think we'd have an excellent chance at the grant."

The cabins would not have their own bathrooms or running water, Humpal said, but they would be located near the shower houses at both campgrounds.

Board members asked Humpal if the Conservation Board would have cabin uses put down a deposit and also wanted to know who would "inspect" the cabins at check-out, and Humpal said a deposit would be required and that he was still working at the details.

Humpal will discuss the proposal again at next Monday's meeting after he looks deeper into the grant requirements, which state that the recipient of grant projects must be compliant with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA).

Also on Monday, Humpal discussed with supervisors the possible acquisition of the wildlife hunting habitat near Ionia.

The 205 acres was recently purchased by the Iowa National Heritage Foundation for \$400,000, and the goal is for the Conservation Board to eventually acquire and manage the land.

Humpal said after Monday's meeting that the goal is to purchase the land without using taxpayer dollars, and said the board has reached out to various conservation and hunting groups, including Pheasants Forever, who have indicated they will support the purchase. He also said the Conservation Board would seek a grant from the Habitat Stamp program.

"It's a unique opportunity," he said, pointing out that the land is better than "river bot-



Bob Fenske/Reporter
Chickasaw County Conservation Board Director Chad Humpal shows the Board of Supervisors where cabins would be placed at the Airport Lake campground.

tom" areas because "it's upland habitat with a lot of nice nesting coverage for birds."

THE CONSERVATION Board is busy preparing its campgrounds for the opening of the 2022 season, but just exactly when the board will open them remains up in the air, the board's director said on Monday during a meeting with the Board of Supervisors.

"It's all really dependent on the weather," said Humpal, who told supervisors that he and his staff would complete water testing at its two main campgrounds — Airport Lake near New Hampton and Split Rock near Fredericksburg — by the end of the month.

During Monday's meeting, he also asked the Board of Supervisor members how they would feel about the Conservation Board selling firewood at the campgrounds.

He said he felt his employ-

ees would have time during the winter to stockpile wood for the campgrounds but he also was worried about having enough wood on hand for an entire camping season.

"What I don't want is for someone to camp in June, getting firewood and then coming back on July 4th and we're out," he said. "I don't see us making a lot of money on this but providing the service could add more revenue by [filling] a few campsites."

Humpal and the supervisors discussed a number of ways — using an outside vendor and/or purchasing wood from a vendor — to offer the service, but supervisors were cool to the idea.

"I understand the idea, I get it," Supervisor Jake Hackman said, "but I also see the not-so-good things that can happen."

In the end, supervisors reached a consensus that they weren't in favor of stocking firewood at the campgrounds.

Supervisors discuss 'inventory list' at old county home

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"inventory items" at the Heritage property, which is currently being leased to Inspiring Lives. The county recently gave the organization that provides mental health services a 90-day notice that it would not renew the lease to the former county home after the two sides couldn't reach a new agreement.

Supervisors were told by the county's head custodian, Dave Gorman, on Monday that the only inventory list the county has is from the 1980s and outdated, but he added that he was confident that Inspiring Lives would not take county-owned property out of the building when they depart

this summer.

"I have 100 percent confidence that they are going to take the stuff they brought," he said. "I've worked with them enough to know that."

Byrne did suggest that once Inspiring Lives vacates the premises, both sides should sign off on an agreement that won't hold either side liable.

In other news from Monday's meeting:

• The board again discussed the insurance values on county owned property, and while all five supervisors agree that the county is under insured, after weeks of discussion, they still haven't come to an agreement on how much property insurance the

county should have.

Hackman said Monday he felt department heads who oversee county-owned properties should be brought into the discussion because those departments are "charged" to pay that portion of the county's insurance premiums.

• Supervisors approved a request from Sheriff Marty Hemann to pay a company a little more than \$10,600 to update the policies and procedures for both the Sheriff's Office and the Chickasaw County Jail.

Hemann told the board that the company, Lexipol, specializes in writing policies and procedures for law enforcement agencies.

Briefs

Nashua-Plainfield prom grand march set for April 23

Nashua-Plainfield High School has announced its prom theme and schedule for this year.

The theme of this year's prom, which will be held on Saturday, April 23, will be "The Golden Age of Hollywood" and photos by Spirit Photography will be taken from 4 to 6 p.m. in the school library, the grand march will begin at 6:30 p.m., the dance will be held from 8 to 10:30 p.m. in the high school gymnasium and the after-prom party will be held at the Husky Wellness Center from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m.

The doors for the grand march will open at 6 p.m. and admission is \$1.

Waverly Health Center to host 'Welcome to Medicare' program

Waverly Health Center (WHC) will host a "Welcome to Medi-

care" presentation on Thursday, April 21 from 6 to 8 p.m. in Tendrils Rooftop Garden. This event is free and open to the public. Plan to attend if you have questions or want more information regarding Medicare.

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Registration is required at (319) 483-1360. Masks are required.

Blood drive set for April 26

LifeServe Blood Center will hold its monthly blood drive on Tuesday, April 26, at the New Hampton Community Center.

The drive will be held from noon to 5:30 p.m., and appointments can be made by either calling 800-287-4903 or going online to lifeservebloodcenter.org.

Charles City woman pleads guilty to OWI highway deaths

A Charles City woman has entered a written plea of guilty in Floyd County District Court for her involvement in the deaths of a Mason City couple in a traffic accident last September near Colwell.

Casey Jo Lindahl, now age 29, was charged with two counts of homicide by vehicle, unintentionally causing a death while operating while under the influence. Each count is a Class B felony.

She was also charged with child endangerment because her 3-year-old son was in her car when she was driving while intoxicated. That charge is an aggravated misdemeanor. Lindahl and her son, who was in the back seat, received minor injuries in the crash, according to the Iowa State Patrol report.

Lindahl entered the written plea of guilty to all charges, including a traffic violation for driving on the wrong side of the road, in a petition filed last Thursday.

District Court Judge Gregg Rosenblatt set a plea hearing for May 9, and ordered the Second Judicial District Department of Correctional Services to prepare a presentence investigation report, as had been requested by Lindahl's attorney, Benjamin

Lynch, of Clive.

Lindahl is accused of causing the deaths of Chris Anderson, age 77, and Anita Anderson, age 76, of Mason City, in a traffic accident that occurred the afternoon of Sept. 4, 2021, west of Colwell, when she crossed the center line and crashed her vehicle head-on into the Anderson vehicle.

According to the criminal complaints filed in Floyd County District Court, a search warrant was issued to take a blood sample from Lindahl and the result showed she had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.146%. The blood alcohol limit in Iowa where intoxication is legally assumed is 0.08%.

The penalty for homicide by vehicle-OWI is an indeterminate term in prison of up to 25 years on each count. The sentence cannot be suspended or deferred and a deferred judgment is not allowed on the charge.

The agreement for the guilty plea includes a recommendation that the sentences be served concurrently (at the same time) instead of consecutively (one after another), and that the defendant undergo a substance abuse evaluation.

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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors announces that the deadline for destruction of Noxious weeds is June 1st, 2022, so as to prevent the production of seed by all varieties of listed Noxious weeds. This includes weeds on farmlands, Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) lands, properties within city limits, and all lands within the limits of the County. Those persons not controlling their weeds in compliance with Iowa's Weed Law, Code of Iowa Chapter 317 Noxious Weeds, and Iowa Dept. of Agriculture & Land Stewardship Administrative Rules Chapter 58 Noxious Weeds will be notified to use appropriate methods to eradicate or control the weed problem. Failure to do so can incur penalties including, but not limited to, daily fines for non-compliance, and the Weed Commissioner or Deputies entering upon the land to control the weed problem, with all costs, including fines and administrative costs, levied against the landowner. Iowa law provides these assessments can be attached to the real estate tax of the land for collection. Weed eradication/control will still be required to be implemented in all cases where penalties are assessed.

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Nashua-Plainfield freshman Easten Richards competes in the 100 dash at the St. Ansgar co-ed track meet on Monday. N-P wrestling coach Al Frost (below) and his daughter, Jordyn, watch the meet during a break in the action.

Husky underclassmen getting up to speed

BOYS TRACK: FROM 8

dash in 12.11. He also came up with a fifth-place showing in the long jump (18-4-75).

Nineteen feet and beyond shouldn't be too far down the road for Fundermann according to Sudol.

"The problem with this long jump is we know he can get out to 19, but he's not getting the recovery that he needs after doing the sprint med," said Sudol.

One of Sudol's underclassmen – sophomore Dylan Blanchard – came up with a personal-best clip of 2:16 in the open 800. That saw Blanchard cross the finish line in third place.

"Considering how cold it was, I was really pleased with that," said Sudol.

N-P's 4x800 relay of Drew Wilken, Devin Johnson, Blanchard and Zach Zwanziger ran to a third-place result in 9:21.

Titus Evans (fifth, 16.72) and Kaden Wilken (sixth, 16.87) are a potent duo in the 110 hurdles for the Huskies. Wilken placed fifth in the 400 hurdles (1:02) while Evans was scratched in the event to run on the 4x400 relay – which placed fourth.

N-P senior Tyson White recorded a

throw of 40-10.5 and that was good enough for fifth place in the shot put. Sudol said he may be cleared in the next couple weeks to contribute in relays – of which he has competed in at state in two different seasons.

Several of Sudol's freshman are gaining valuable experience – like Aiden Gelner, Jackson Carey, Braiden Schaufenbuel and Caleb Sinnwell.

"It's just a matter of time where they really take that next step and be a varsity athlete," said Sudol. "They're really starting to step out of their shell as freshmen. I'm starting to see some good things out of them."

Bo Harrington, Caleb Lentz, Jackson Zwanziger, Aiden Lamborn, Joel Winters and Aiden Sullivan were the members of the Husky track team that attended the FFA state convention.

N-P is scheduled to take part in the Charles City meet on Tuesday.

ST. ANSGAR CO-ED BOYS TEAM SCORES

St. Ansgar 154.4, Forest City 87.4, North Butler 77.2, Osage 74, Northwood-Kensett 72, Lake Mills 64, Nashua-Plainfield 40, Mason City Newman 20.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS

100 - 2. Sam Fundermann 12.11, 13. Aiden Gelner 13.7.

200 - 11. Devin Johnson 26.54, 12. Drew Wilken 26.68.

400 - 5. D. Wilken 56.46, 7. Gelner 59.1.

800 - 3. Dylan Blanchard 2:16.82.

110 hurdles - 5. Titus Evans 16.72, 6. Kaden Wilken 16.87.

1,600 - 9. Zach Zwanziger 5:26.82, 15. Braiden Schaufenbuel 5:57.26.

3,200 - 11. Caleb Sinnwell 13:17.85, 12. Luke Paplow 13:31.54.

400 hurdles - 5. K. Wilken 1:02.06.

Discus - 13. Max Hillegas 78, 15. Isaac Jones 74-3.

High jump - 5. Johnson 5-4.

Long jump - 5. Fundermann 18-4.75, 12. Wilken 15-4.5.

Shot put - 5. Tyson White 40-10.5, 13. Jarrett Petersen 29-11.

4x100 - 7. Hillegas, Tucker Franzen, Hayden Munn, Tate White 53.08.

4x200 - 6. Hillegas, Jackson Carey, H. Munn, Zwanziger 1:46.38.

4x400 - 4. Fundermann, Johnson, Evans, D. Wilken 3:53.77.

4x800 - 3. D. Wilken, Johnson, Blanchard, Zwanziger 9:21.84.

Shuttle hurdle - 6. Evans, M. Munn, Tate White, K. Wilken 1:11.41.

Sprint medley - 6. Gelner, Hillegas, D. Wilken, Fundermann 1:46.07.

Distance medley - 7. Franzen, H. Munn, Carey, Schaufenbuel 4:34.81.

N-P shows improvement in its golf home opener

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The Huskies girls remained unbeaten by beating both St. Ansgar and North Butler while the Nashua-Plainfield boys finished second.

"Almost every girl improved their scores and to cut some strokes – which yes, you'd expect playing on your home course – was the goal," he said. "They felt pretty good about their rounds, and they should have. We're young, we have some really new players and to see them improve, that's exactly what we wanted them to do."

Nashua-Plainfield fired a 244 to beat second-place St. Ansgar by 13 strokes and was led by Paige Franzen, who shot a 56 to finish third in the individual standings. Faith Franzen added a 58, Autumn Nelson had a 60 and Natalie Sinnwell finished with a 70 to round out the scorers.

Meanwhile, the boys got a medalist-type performance from Trey Nelson.

The senior started the year with a disappointing 49 at Charles City the week before but fired a 41 to tie North Butler's Dylan Shirah atop the individual standings, and although Shirah won a one-hole playoff to earn medalist honors, Trost appreciated the improvement from his top returning golfer.

"Forty-one is one of Trey's better rounds, and he does it without a driver. He's still tees off with irons, but he keeps it in

play and did a really nice job," Trost said. "The playoff ... you know, I know he wasn't happy with that hole, but it's a good learning experience. We do it at home because you might get into a playoff somewhere when it really is important, and having gone through it, that's a plus."

North Butler won them set with a 177 while the Huskies finished with a 207.

Drew Rodruck finished with a 53, Ty Berger had a 56 and Dawson Glaser and Bryce Anderson recorded 57s, but Trost took heart in the fact that all of his boys cut strokes from the season opener.

"They stepped up a little bit and had a little more confidence in what they were doing," Trost said. "Now, we just need some course time to keep that going."

BOYS TEAM SCORES

North Butler 177, Nashua-Plainfield 207, St. Ansgar did not field full team.

Medalists - Trey Nelson (NP) and Dylan Shirah (NB) 41.

NP scorers - Nelson 41, Drew Rodruck 53, Ty Berger 56, Dawson Glaser 57, Bryce Anderson 57, Kendrick Huck 62, Cal Levi 64, Devon Griffin 65.

GIRLS TEAM SCORES

Nashua-Plainfield 244, St. Ansgar 257, North Butler did not field full team.

Medalist - Meg Thompson (NB) 46.

Nashua-Plainfield scores - Paige Franzen 56, Faith Franzen 58, Autumn Nelson 60, Natalie Sinnwell 70, Maddie Foster 77, Payton Howland 87.

ON TAP FOR THE HUSKIES

MONDAY, APRIL 18

Boys and girls golf vs. Mason City Newman and Osage, Mason City Country Club, 4:15 p.m.
Girls track at New Hampton Invitational, 4:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

Boys and girls golf vs. Northwood-Kensett and Central Springs, Nashua Town and Country Club, 4:15 p.m.

Boys track at Charles City Comet Relays, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

Girls golf vs. Crestwood and Grundy Center, Nashua Town and County Club, 4:15 p.m.
Girls track at Nashua-Plainfield Invitational, 4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

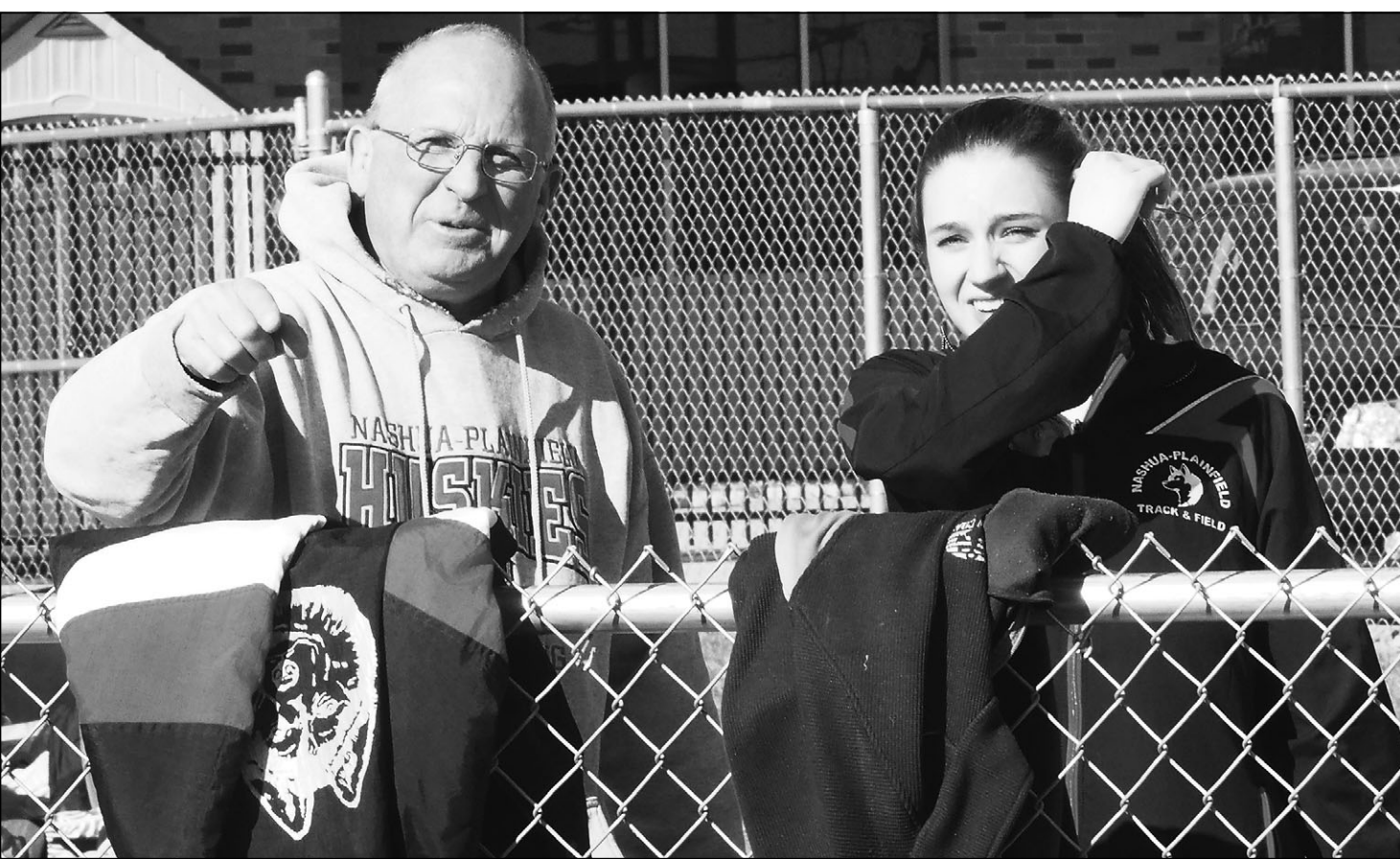
Boys and girls golf vs. Osage and West Fork, Sunny Brae Golf and Country Club, Osage, 4:15 p.m.
Boys track at North Butler Invitational, 4:30 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 25

Boys and girls golf North Butler and Rockford at Round Grove Country Club, Greene, 4:15 p.m.
Boys and girls track at Sumner-Fredericksburg Coed, 4:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

Boys and girls golf vs. West Fork and Rockford at Ridge Stone Golf Club, Sheffield, 4:15 p.m.



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Longtime Nashua-Plainfield wrestling coach Al Frost and his daughter, Jordyn, pose for a photo while the younger Frost takes a break during Monday's meet.

N-P's best off to Iowa City West on Saturday

GIRLS TRACK: FROM 8

Hackman – to Iowa City this weekend.

Teams send rosters to see if they can compete in the elite meet. West track officials then review the applications and take the top 16 times/distances in each event.

Huck – who sports the sixth-fastest time in the 1,500 run in the small-school class – took home top honors in that track at St. Ansgar with a clip of 5:13.

That was over six seconds slower than her PR – which is about three seconds away from breaking the school record.

"The goal is to hopefully break that – maybe between 5:00 and 5:10 if I'm feeling good. By the end of the year, we'll see how easy that comes. I like to set records as I go," laughed Huck.

Huck ran the open 800 for the first time this year and crossed the tape first in 2:32.

"She does not lose," smiled Foelske after finishing the first-place distance medley with the foursome of Jordyn Frost, Abbie Hyde and Huck.

Huck anchored that distance medley – which clipped out 4:24.

"Her determination is out of this world," said Hyde.

N-P currently holds the fastest time in Class 1A in the distance medley with that run at St. Ansgar. That's based off times submitted from teams to the Varsity Bound website.

Huck also ran the last leg on Monday's winning sprint medley team of Rylee Weiss, Hyde and Foelske – which finished in 1:54.22.

That event set the school record the week prior at Osage and broke a 22-year old school record. That time still stands as of Thursday as the best time in Class 1A. Monday's run was almost a second slower than the school-record clip.

"When we broke the sprint med record, she (Kadence) goes 'that was definitely not the record I was hoping to break, but that's okay,'" said Foelske. Foelske holds a top-10 time in the 100 dash. She won that sprint at St. Ansgar in 13.03.

This was only the second outdoor meet of the season for

N-P – which started the year at Osage on Monday, April 4. The Huskies have had three meets cancelled due to inclement weather in 2022.

"I was very happy with how our girls performed on Monday. It's been a while since we've had a meet and they were eager to get out there and get some times on the board," said N-P first-year head coach Jessi Mahnesmith.

Hackman once again ruled the roost in the shot put (38-9.25) and discus (120-5) – winning both events.

Foelske was second in the long jump (15-1.25) and Hyde raced to a fourth-place finish in the 200 dash in 28.65.

Frost, a sophomore, was third in the high jump (4-8) and placed fourth in the open 400 in 1:11.

"With it being early in the season we are still looking at trying different girls in different events and getting times from them," said Mahnesmith.

ST. ANSGAR CO-ED GIRLS TEAM SCORES

New Hampton 153, Nashua-Plainfield 109, Central Springs 87, St.

Ansgar 81, Lake Mills 63, Northwood-Kensett 54, North Butler 26, Mason City Newman 14.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS

100 - 1. Makenzie Foelske 13.03,

9. Rylee Weiss 15.22.

200 - 4. Abbie Hyde 28.65, 14. Grace Gelner 32.58.

400 - 4. Jordyn Frost 1:11.66, 9. Maci Malven 1:18.93.

800 - 1. Kadence Huck 2:32.5; 9. Emily Becker 3:09.9.

100 hurdles - 11. Ryan Reams 20.35, 12. Marleigh Lowe 21.22.

1,500 - 1. Huck 5:13.98.

400 hurdles - 5. Jennah Carpenter 1:17.64, 10. Reams 1:26.37.

Discus - 1. Breanna Hackman 120-5, 12. Myranda Webster 61-4.

High jump - 3. Frost 4-8.

Long jump - 2. Foelske 15-1.5, 12. Malven 10-3.75.

Shot put - 1. Hackman 38-9.25, 11. Webster 25-8.75.

4x100 - 6. Bailey Fisher, R. Weiss, Reams, Hyde 57.68.

4x200 - 4. Grace Gelner, Lillie Caster, Bailey Bond, Amberley Gerholdt 2:01.22.

4x400 - 3. Carpenter, Frost, Ellie Eick, Fisher 4:46.01.

4x800 - 4. Carpenter, Lexi Weiss, Gerholdt, Eick 11:57.16.

Shuttle hurdle - 4. Fisher, Becker, Lowe, Reams 1:21.59.

Sprint medley - 1. R. Weiss, Hyde, Foelske, Huck 1:54.22.

Distance medley - 1. Foelske, Frost, Hyde, Huck 4:24.39.

Girls Union will keep state wrestling meet in Coralville

The first Iowa girls wrestling state tournament sanctioned by the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union will be held in a familiar setting.

The IGHSAU announced last week that the tournament will be held at Xtream Arena in Coralville, which has hosted the last two girls state tournaments that were sponsored by the Iowa Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association.

The IGHSAU Board of Directors unanimously passed season regulations and named Coralville's Xtream Arena as the home of the Iowa Girls State Wrestling Tournament beginning in 2023.

The board tentatively set Feb. 2-3 as the dates for the tournament.

"These are important steps for the first year of girls wrestling," said IGHSAU wrestling administrator Erin Kirtley. "I commend the hard work that

our wrestling advisory committee did to help set up our inaugural season. There are still items that need to be addressed, but it is exciting to have building blocks established."

The 2022-23 girls wrestling season will begin with the first practice taking place on Oct. 31, and competition begins on Nov. 14. Varsity wrestling teams are allowed 15 competition dates.

To give wrestlers the opportunity to practice with and against other girls, there will be unlimited scrimmages for the 2022-23 season. There will be only one class for wrestling in 2022-23.

The IGHSAU adopted the 14 weight classes recommended by the National Federation of State High School Association (NFHS) for the 2022-23 season. Those weight classes are: 100, 105, 110, 115, 120, 125, 130, 135, 140, 145, 155, 170, 190 and 235 pounds.

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Nashua-Plainfield's Tate White (above) runs his leg in the shuttle hurdle relay while Jackson Carey (below) gets ready to hand the baton to Tucker Franzen in the 4x200 at Monday's coed track meet in St. Ansgar.

Undermanned Huskies find positives

Nashua-Plainfield boys coach says his team needs Mother Nature to cooperate to reach its full potential

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Chase Sudol has plenty of track athletes out for a small-school squad that competes in Class 1A in the state of Iowa.

But even he knows when more than a handful of runners, throwers and jumpers have other obligations – his chance to climb the ladder of team scoring success at meets diminishes to a degree.

Such was the case at the second outdoor meet of the season on Monday at St. Ansgar.

Six N-P student athletes attended the FFA state convention in Ames and were not able to suit up for the Saints' home get-together that also featured Forest City, North Butler, Osage, Northwood-Kensett, Lake Mills and Mason City Newman.

Throw in the sickness of one of Sudol's key runners/jumpers (McKade Munn) and it's easy to see why the Huskies placed seventh overall with 40 points. The red-and-white clad Saints won their home meet with 154.4 points and Forest

City placed second with 87.4 points. Monday's short-handed lineup wasn't at the forefront of Sudol's mind. N-P – like most teams in northern Iowa and even across the state – are in dire need of meets to compete in. The Huskies have seen three meets cancelled already this year and have only competed in two thus far in 2022.

The Top of Iowa Conference meet is less than three weeks away and is slated to go down on May 5.

"We need to get in some meets and see what we can do," said Sudol.

The weather has been so bad over the last couple three weeks that Sudol said he may have to look into adding meets that weren't initially on the schedule.

"It's down to crunch time where I'm going to be a little more hard on them because who knows what's going to happen here. It's time to get things going, that's for sure," Sudol added.

N-P senior Sam Fundermann ran to a second-place finish in the 100

SEE BOYS TRACK, 7



N-P golfers at least get one meet in

Huskies show improvement in their first home meet of the year

By BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield golf coach Jeff Trost is trying to stay positive, although he and his golfers are like the rest of us: They want spring and they want it now.

"I was just looking at 2018 yesterday and I shared it with our team," he said and then recounted how the spring of that year was so bad his team didn't play its first regular season meet until April 23 and then played seven meets in 11 days. "That was it, an 11-day regular season, so if you look at that, we're way ahead of the game."

That's because the Huskies did get in one of its three meets this week, which means they've played two rounds of competitive golf already.

"And it's only April 14," the veteran coach said with a laugh. "But it is hard because not only are we losing meets to the weather, but we're also losing outside practice days. And as fortunate as we are to have the [Husky] Wellness Center, you need that time on the course."

Still, Trost found plenty to be pleased with about his team's home opening triangular on Monday.

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John Burbridge/Charles City Press

Nashua-Plainfield golfer Faith Franzen retrieves her ball from the hole after making a putt in a meet at Charles City last week.



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Nashua-Plainfield's Rylee Weiss gets out of the blocks in the 100-meter dash during Monday's St. Ansgar Early Bird Coed meet.

Huskies take second at St. Ansgar

Huck, Hackman, medley relays all pick up wins for N-P girls

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

The Husky girls track team holds some clout.

That much is evident this early into the spring sports season.

Nashua-Plainfield continued to produce some award-win-

ning times on Monday at St. Ansgar and put up a formidable performance with a runner-up team placing to New Hampton – 109 to 153.

Watch out this weekend as a select few Huskies will get a chance to improve on their personal bests this Saturday at the Eastern Iowa Track and Field

Festival – hosted by perennial Class 4A power Iowa City West. The Huskies will send senior sprinter Makenzie Foelske, freshman distance runner Kadence Huck and last year's state runner-up in the Class 1A shot put – senior Breanna

SEE GIRLS TRACK, 7

Syphilis is on the rise in Iowa.

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