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Supervisors frustrated with reduced hours

Board members say they're disappointed that Nashua will cut hours in next law enforcement contract

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

A week after the Nashua City Council indicated that it would sign a new contract — one that will provide the city with an average of 40 less hours a month of service — with the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office, the Board of Supervisors expressed disappointment with city leaders.

"I don't like it personally, but what can we do," Supervisor Jake Hackman said during Monday's board meeting.

"In my mind, the cities are taking advantage of county taxes. We're giving them a huge savings."

Hackman pointed out that before Nashua contracted with the Sheriff's Office in 2018, the city spent almost \$280,000 on its police department, and despite the fact that next year's contract will see the hourly rate increase from \$56.81 to \$59.50 per hour, a contract averaging 240 hours a month would cost the city \$171,360.

"When I heard that last week — losing 40 hours per month — what if

we go to 65 bucks next year and they say, 'Oh we only want 100 hours,'" Hackman said. "We have to control the county tax dollars and then the cities do this to us. Do they really care about law enforcement?"

Nashua city leaders, though, say they believe that by going to a contract that instead of requiring the Sheriff's Office to provide 240 hours of service a month and instead having deputies patrol the city for 2,400 hours a year, they will not only give the city's residents the law enforcement coverage

they need but also will have more flexibility to cover "busy times" of the year with the understanding that there are months in which the city doesn't need as much coverage.

During a Feb. 21 meeting, Nashua City Council members were divided on how to proceed with a new contract that will take effect on July 1, but they ended up voting 3-2 to ask for a contract

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that would be based on annual hours and not monthly hours.

That means the county's 2022-23

SEE SUPERVISORS, 2

Special election shows why every vote is important

Breitbach will keep seat on Board of Supervisors with a two-vote win

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

In a special election that could serve as a civics lesson, voters in Chickasaw County's District 1 gave the lead to the man who has served the last month as their representative on the Board of Supervisors.

However, if ever one wants to know why election officials call results "unofficial" until they are canvassed, Tuesday's vote would be exhibit No. 1.

Results released Tuesday night showed that Democrat Steve Breitbach received 145 votes, two more than Republican Mike Winter, and in past elections, that would have meant that some "outstanding ballots" — those that were mailed to voters who requested them but not returned by Tuesday — could have still been counted if they had been postmarked no later than this past Monday's deadline and received before the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors canvassed the election.

"I did honestly forget about the change in that part of the election law," Chickasaw County Auditor Stephanie Mashek said Wednesday morning. "Basically, the law now is that all absentee ballots must be in our hands by 8 p.m. on election day. ... So if we get ballots by mail later this week, we can't count them because they had to be in our office by Tuesday night."

Mashek said that her office will "audit" the election later this week and that the Board of Supervisors will canvass the election at 1:30 p.m. this coming Monday.

Breitbach received 38 percent of the votes in Tuesday's election while Winter garnered 37.4 percent of the votes.

Former Supervisor David Tilkes, who ran as a no-party candidate, was a distant third with 66 votes, or 17.3 percent. Two other no-party candidates — Mark Knoll and Larry Laures — finished far back in the voting as Knoll got 17 votes while Laures had 11.

If the unofficial election results hold, that means Breitbach will keep the seat he has held since late January.

SEE ELECTION, 4



Bob Fenske/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield High School seniors (from left) Abbie Hyde, Makenzie Foelske, Caitlyn McDonald, Brynn Wright and Jordan Schneider pose for a photo after sitting down and discussing why high school music programs have benefitted them.

MUSIC MATTERS!

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD SENIORS SAY CHOIR, BAND HAVE MADE THEM BETTER ALL-AROUND STUDENTS

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

The five Nashua-Plainfield High School seniors sat in a circle in the middle of the school's band and choir room Thursday morning and just talked music.

When the conversation ended, all of them — Makenzie Foelske, Abbie Hyde, Caitlyn McDonald, Jordan Schneider and Brynn Wright — had made, albeit in different ways, the same

**CHECK OUT OUR PHOTO PAGE FROM
THURSDAY NIGHT'S CONCERTS!**

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point. Music matters. A lot.

Whether it be Foelske on drums, Wright on the trumpet, McDonald on the clarinet or Hyde, Schneider and McDonald singing in choir, music has been a big part of their lives.

And they vow, it will remain so, long after they depart Nashua-Plainfield with their diplomas.

Later Thursday, they would play their final Mid-Winter Concert inside their school's gymnasium, which fittingly took place in March. Not because the month represents the middle of winter, mind you, but because it is National Music in Our Schools Month.

"First off, it's really fun," McDonald said,

SEE MUSIC, 5

We get a little taste of spring; more on the way

After a run of three straight days in the 40s, we can all look forward to a 60-degree day Saturday

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

Overheard at Casey's in Nashua on Thursday morning: "I liked the last three days way better than today."

We're not saying it wasn't a valid statement, but it might prove that we Iowans spoil easy.

Then again, the first three days of this week were pretty awesome as Mother Nature gave us a little taste of spring with three successive days of high temperatures that went like this: 49, 46 and 48.

And sure Thursday was kind of a reality check for us, maybe even a little reminder that there

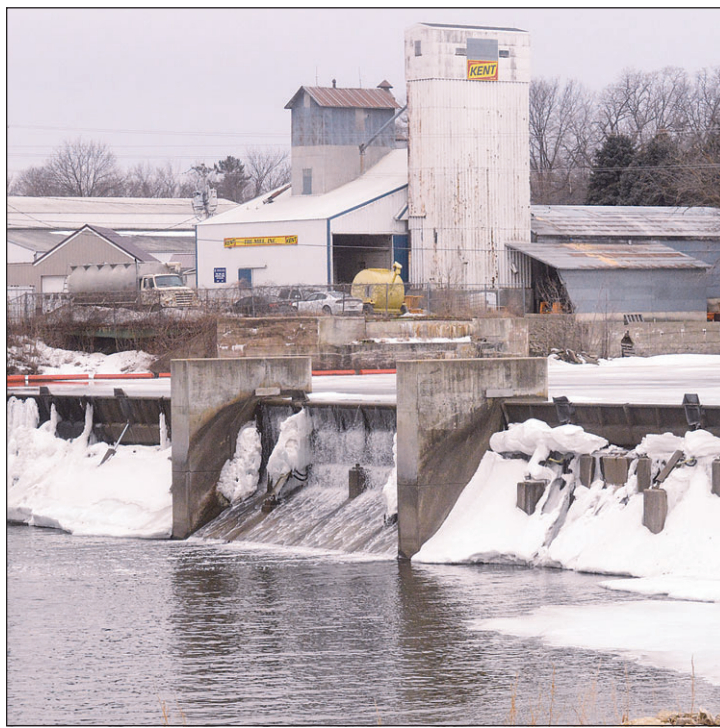
will be cold, raw days in our future. But if you thought the beginning of the week was great, wait until Saturday.

The National Weather Service office in La Crosse, Wisconsin, which provides forecasts for Chickasaw County has a good news-bad news deal for us that day.

Start with the former: High near 63.

Granted, those same forecasters are warning residents that "strong to severe" thunderstorms are possible Saturday afternoon and evening, with the main threats being damaging

SEE SPRING, 4



Bob Fenske/Reporter

There's still plenty of ice out there, but water is flowing over the dam in Nashua on Thursday morning.

VA director ecstatic with open house for veterans

Bierman says weekend event highlights importance of 'numbers' for area posts

By **BOB FENSKE**
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In the perfect world, every veteran would be an active member of some kind of veterans organization — be it an American Legion, a VFW or an AMVETS post.

But Melissa Bierman, the service officer for Chickasaw County Veterans Affairs, will settle for just being a member, which is one reason she was pleased with a unique event, a veterans open house, that her office held on Sunday at the Chickasaw Event Center.

"Numbers do count," she said, "and it's important that veterans understand that. The

more veterans who belong to organizations, the more those organizations can get done, the more those organizations can provide the help our veterans need."

That's why Bierman was pleased with the fact that every veterans post in the county was represented at the event that also included two guest speakers — Troy Lewis from the Vets Center in Cedar Rapids and Shane Pankonen, a service officer with the American Legion's regional office in Des Moines.

"We're certainly not alone here in Chickasaw County and Iowa," she said, "but one of the

SEE OPEN HOUSE, 2

Supervisors frustrated to see Nashua reduce hours in law enforcement contract

SUPERVISORS: FROM 1

budget will take a hit.

Supervisors have budgeted for a contract that continued the same level of service; instead, Nashua's action means that instead of the city paying the county \$171,360, the county will now receive \$142,800 from Nashua during the fiscal year that starts July 1.

Hackman said throw in the fact that the county will no longer charge Nashua \$11,000 for dispatching services because the city no longer has a police department and the county's revenue will be reduced by almost \$40,000.

On Monday, supervisors also wondered aloud if the city of Fredericksburg, which currently contracts with the Sheriff's Office for 1,020 hours of law-enforcement service a year, would decrease its hours because of the per-hour cost increase.

"Just from talking to the mayor, they thought they were going to stay the same," Hemann said, "but like Nashua, they could change their mind, too. I haven't heard anything to the contrary, I guess."

Supervisors Jason Byrne, whose district includes the city of Fredericksburg, said he, too, was cautiously optimistic that Fredericksburg wouldn't reduce its hours.

"The last thing I heard from them was they happy with what we were doing," Byrne said. "That's all I've heard from them."

Still, the move by Nashua left supervisors disconcerted.

Byrne said supervisors may have to sit down and come up with a "minimum" number of hours cities can contract with the Sheriff's Office for service while Hackman emphasized that he felt Nashua was taking advantage of county taxpayers and also questioned if the city was providing its residents with enough law-enforcement service.

Hemann told supervisors that Nashua wants, for example, deputies to be in town when school is letting out each day and that means, Hemann said, "we are dropping what we're doing and we're going down there for school patrol. It takes away from the rest of the county."

"You don't think the quote, the bad people, are going to figure out the schedule one of these days," Hackman said. "That's just my frustration for everyone in this county."

Hemann told the supervisors that he expects the Nashua City Council to formally ratify the contract at a meeting Monday night, which means the Board of Supervisors could vote on the contract as soon as its March 14 meeting.



Bob Fenske/Reporter

Veterans (above) from around Chickasaw County, including a number from Nashua, gather at the Chickasaw Event Center in New Hampton on Sunday for a "veterans open house," where the Vet Center's Troy Lewis (below) talks with a couple about the services his Cedar Rapids-based organization offers.

VA director hopes to offer another event this summer

OPEN HOUSE: FROM 1

nationwide trends is all of our posts and their post numbers [membership] have dropped significantly in recent years.

"We still have a solid group of Vietnam War-era vets and even a few Korean War vets who are active, but we really need to reach out to the younger veterans — the ones from Iraq, Kuwait, Afghanistan. That's one reason we wanted to hold this event and it's why we're going to try to do more in the future. We need those younger veterans."

She said she hopes to hold another open house and barbecue event this summer at Mikkelsen Park.

"The VA can be a tough thing to navigate," she said, "but one of the things that an event like this does show our veterans is they're not alone. I'm here to help, the posts are here to help, there's a lot of people who will have your back."



News from the Nashua Public Library

The Nashua Public Library is open Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

We can be reached by phone at 641-435-4635, and you can reserve books online as well through our online catalog, call the library if you need help by going online to <https://nashua.biblionix.com/catalog/>.

Upcoming events at the library include:

- Winter Book Sale: \$1 bag sale extended through April 30.
- Winter Coat Giveaway: If you need a coat, we have free used coats for those in need. Just stop in!
- March 9: Library Board Meeting at 7 p.m.

- March 12: Children's Plant a Flower with ISU Extension and Outreach, noon to 1 p.m.
- March 16-17: Children's Take & Make Spring Break Kits!

Some of the new books we have at the library include:

- Rise by Lindsey Vonn
- A Game of Fear by Charles Todd
- The Best of Birds & Blooms
- Thankless in Death by J.D. Robb
- Steal by James Patterson
- City of the Dead by Jonathan Kellerman
- Abandoned in Death by J.D. Robb
- Nothing to Loose by J.A. Jance
- Allison's Affair by Ben Rowland
- The Horsewoman by James Patterson

Large Print

- Invisible by Danielle Steel **Large Print**
- Steal by James Patterson **Large Print**

Some of the new DVDs & Blu-Rays at the library are:

- After We Collided – DVD
- After We Fell – DVD
- Clifford the Big Red Dog – DVD
- King Richard – DVD (Coming Soon)
- American Underdog – DVD (Coming Soon)
- American Underdog – Blu-Ray (Coming Soon)

— Nashua Public Library Director Heather Hackman

Twin Ponds to be the site for 'Pot O' Gold' GPS event March 17

The Chickasaw County Conservation Board will hold a "Pot O' Gold" GPS event on Thursday, March 17, at the Twin Ponds Nature Center.

The event will run from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. and will be hosted by the county's naturalist, Matt Crayne.

Crayne said that one GPS

unit will be available for each group or family, and because there are a limited number of units available, they will be handed out on a first-come,

first-serve basis.

For more information about the event, call Crayne at the Twins Ponds Nature Center at 641-394-4714.

Briefs

Sumner-Fredericksburg to hold suicide prevention training Tuesday

A three-step suicide prevention training program titled "Question, Persuade and Refer" will be held Tuesday at the Sumner-Fredericksburg High School Auditorium.

The training will run from 6 to 8 p.m. and be led by Ryan Nesbit, the co-founder of Alive and Running Iowa for Suicide Awareness and Prevention.

QPR is a three-step suicide prevention training to empower people to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade and refer someone to help.

Organizers say the training is for any adult in a position to recognize that someone may be contemplating suicide, including parents, teachers coaches and others.

Northeast Iowa Mobile Food Bank to hold monthly distribution March 17

The Northeast Iowa Mobile Food Bank will make its monthly stop in Chickasaw County on Thursday, March 17.

Those who are food insecure are invited to receive food from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in New Hampton, and those who would like to help out with the distribution should report to the church by 4 p.m.

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Gertrude J. Bienemann, 99

Gertrude J. Bienemann, age 99 of Waverly, passed away on Friday, Feb. 25, 2022, at the Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community in Waverly.

Gertrude Jeanette (Remley) Bienemann was born on March 10, 1922, in Bremer County, the daughter of Leland and Emeline (Youmans) Remley.

Gertrude attended La Fayette Township Country School in Bremer County and later graduated from the Waverly High School in 1940. She then attended Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls. Gertrude then taught country school for two years.

On Jan. 10, 1942, she was united in marriage to Darrell Edwin Bienemann at the United Methodist Church in Plainfield. They made their home in Rockford, Illinois, where they were both employed in a defense factory until Darrell was inducted into the Army Air Force in 1943. Gertrude returned to live with her family in Plainfield until Darrell was discharged in 1945.

Gertrude and Darrell farmed in Butler County and purchased their farm northeast of Clarksville in 1961. Gertrude and Darrell retired and moved to Plainfield in 1998. Gertrude lived with her daughter in Plainfield for one year while Darrell was ill. In October 2007, Gertrude moved to Linden Place Assisted Living in Waverly.

Gertrude was an active member of the United Methodist Church in Plainfield. She loved sewing, crocheting, baking, gardening, fishing, camping, playing cards, and spending time with her family.

Survivors are her daughter, Janola (Dave) Fordyce of Bloomington, Minnesota; son, Jerome (Ruth) Bienemann of Waverly; a daughter-in-law, Sandy Bienemann of



Gertrude Bienemann

Waverly; seven grandchildren, Dan Bienemann, Julie Miller, Renee (Todd) Sorge, Annette (Dan) Dietz, Todd Bienemann, Paul (Sue) Fordyce and Teresa (John) Swanson; 14 great-grandchildren; one great-grandson; and brother, Marlowe (Virginia) Remley.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Darrell of 65 years on June 6, 2007; a son, Darwin Bienemann on June 23, 1993; three brothers, Lloyd, Walter and Harold Remley; and four sisters, Gladys Hughes, Alice Holmes, Anna Hirsch, and Nettie Lebeck.

Private family funeral services were held on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, at 11 a.m. at the Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in Waverly with Pastor Malinda Taylor, chaplain of St. Croix Hospice, officiating.

Burial followed in Willow Lawn cemetery in Plainfield.

Memorials may be directed to the Bienemann family for a later designation in Gertrude's name and online condolences can be left at www.kaisercorson.com.

Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home of Waverly assisted the Bienemann family with arrangements.

Marvin Dietz, 90

Marvin Dietz, age 90 of Nashua, died Monday, Feb. 28, 2022, at Cedar Vale Assisted Living in Nashua.

A private family service will be held at a later date.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel has been entrusted with Marvin's arrangements.

Marvin worked for Standard Oil for many years. He later worked for the Farmers Co-Op in Nashua. He also drove school bus for many years and enjoyed seeing all the kids during his time driving.

He was an avid fisherman and loved to fish with his grandkids and brother Jim. He loved and adored his grandchildren and they thought the world of their grandpa.

He enjoyed watching the Iowa Hawkeyes, no matter the sport. While in high school he was one of the best catchers in the state on the baseball field.

He was a great storyteller and will be missed by many.

Marv is survived by his wife, Darlys of Nashua; three sons, Randy (Colleen) Dietz of Cedar Falls, Rick (Lucille) Dietz of New Jersey, and Reed (Teresa Fisher) Dietz of Nashua; three



Marvin Dietz

daughters, Rhonda (Denny) Riley of Cedar Falls, Rose (Jim) Carlin of Omaha, Nebraska, and Renea (Brad) Hawbaker of Nashua; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Jim (Lavonne) Dietz of Cedar Falls, and Jerry (Mariellen) Dietz of Nashua; one sister, Norma (Dick) Davidson of Missouri; one brother-in-law, Earl Pelland of Iowa City; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Phyllis Pelland.

Marie Bigelow, 93

Marie Bigelow, age 93 of Nashua, died Wednesday, March 2, 2022, at her home surrounded by her family.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua, and for more information, call 641-435-4134.

Briefs

Community Foundation scholarship deadline is next Wednesday

The Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa's 2022 scholarship application deadline has been set for 8 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9.

The online application can be found on the Community Foundation's website at www.cfneia.org/scholarships.

CFNEIA awarded \$526,960 in scholarships to high school, college, and adult students in 2021. A total of 271 scholarships were awarded to students pursuing higher education opportunities and the average amount awarded was \$1,976.

Scholarship opportunities are available to students across CFNEIA's 20-county region, which consists of 23 affiliate community foundations. Students interested in applying for 2022 scholarships should visit the Foundation's website to view the scholarship eligibility checklist.

All required materials must be submitted through the online



Bob Fenske/Reporter

He's really growing up!

Remember Nash, the cute little golden doodle who we featured in a story this past fall? Well, Nash isn't so little anymore, as our reporter found out during a trip to the school on Thursday morning. Though he's grown by leaps and bounds, the therapy dog remains a big hit with high school and junior high students who visit counselor Jenn Kalainoff's office.

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Nashua-Plainfield Calendar of Events

MARCH

Tuesday, March 1

3:45 PM - 5:15 PM JH Boys Basketball Open Gym @ N-P HS Gym

Wednesday, March 2

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Ornamental & Turfgrass CIC New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Club Husky Volleyball @ NP Gymnasium - High School

Thursday, March 3

6:30 PM Mid-Winter Concert
@NP Gymnasium-High School
7th & 8th Grade - 6:30pm
9th-12th Grade - 7:30pm
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM ACT Raising Safe Kids Online/Chickasaw County (continuation)

Friday, March 4

3:45 PM - 5:15 PM JH Boys Basketball Open Gym @ N-P HS Gym

Saturday, March 5

3:45 PM - 5:15 PM JH Boys Basketball Open Gym @ N-P HS Gym

Monday, March 7

FFA - Whole Chapter Meeting
2 PM Track: G/V @ Wartburg College
5 PM Plainfield Library Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 8

2:00 PM Track: B/V @ UNI-Dome, Cedar Falls
6:30 PM NHS Induction
@NP Gymnasium - High School

Wednesday, March 9

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Certified Handlers CIC New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension
7 PM Nashua Library Board Meeting

Thursday, March 10

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Private Pesticide Applicator Recertification New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension
6:30 PM NHS Induction @ N-P HS Gym
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM ACT Raising Safe Kids Online/Chickasaw County (continuation)

Friday, March 11

6 PM Boys Basketball Banquet @ N-P HS Commons

Saturday, March 12

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Chickasaw County Clover Kids New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension
National History Day, District Contest - University of Northern Iowa

Sunday, March 13

8 AM - 12:30 PM New Hampton Lions Club Pancake Breakfast at NH High School

Monday, March 14

6:30 PM Wrestling Banquet @ N-P HS Commons

Tuesday, March 15

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension
2 PM Track: G/V @ Wartburg College
2 PM Track: B/V @ Wartburg College

Wednesday, March 16

5 PM Family Fun Night at Nashua Library

Thursday, March 17

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Extension Council Meeting New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM ACT Raising Safe Kids Online/Chickasaw County (continuation)

Friday, March 18

2 PM Movie at Plainfield Library

Sunday, March 20

Compass Outreach Center free skate at Crystal Ball Roller Rink

Thursday, March 24

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM ACT Raising Safe Kids Online/Chickasaw County (continuation)

Friday, March 25

7:00 PM Play Performance @ NP Gymnasium - High School

Saturday, March 26

7:00 PM Play Performance @ NP Gymnasium - High School

Tuesday, March 29

4:30 PM Girls Track & Field Varsity @ Saint Ansgar High School
4:30 PM Boys Track & Field Varsity @ Saint Ansgar High School

Thursday, March 31

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM ACT Raising Safe Kids Online/Chickasaw County (continuation)



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Brown will have to run for re-election after all

By BOB STEENSON

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Because state redistricting put two incumbent Iowa senators in the same new district, Sen. Waylon Brown will have to run for reelection two years earlier than he normally would have — even though the other senator in the new district has announced she is not running.



Brown

Brown announced Monday, the first day of filing for state offices, that he would seek re-election.

Amanda Ragan and Brown both live in the new Senate District 30, that was created as part of state redistricting after the 2020 Census.

The Tribune originally incorrectly reported that because Ragan, D-Mason City, had announced she was not seeking reelection, Brown, R-St. Ansgar, would not have to run this year and could serve out the last two years of his term before having to run again.

That incorrect report was based on Ragan's announcement in February she was not seeking re-election.

Iowa election rules state that if two incumbent senators are placed in the same new district after redistricting, and both are seeking to continue serving past the next election, then that Senate seat must be up for election, even if one or both of the senators still has two years left in his or her term.

On Saturday, the Iowa Office of Secretary of State released a list of those Iowa Senate districts that would have to hold an election this year, even though they had just held one in 2020.

Senate District 30, which includes two northwest townships in Floyd County and all of Cerro Gordo, Mitchell and Worth counties, was included on that list.

Responding to questions from the Tribune this week, Kevin Hall, the communications director for the Office of Secretary of State, said, "As of Feb. 2, 2022, two incumbent state senators filed declarations of residency with the Secretary of State's Office affirming that they live in 'new' state Senate District 30."

Ragan "refused to submit a letter of resignation pursuant to Iowa Code section 42.4(8)(b) (2) by the Feb. 16, 2022, deadline," Hall said.

"Submitting such a resignation would in no way have impacted her ability to serve out her current term, as such a resignation is not effective until January 2023. Because she failed to submit a letter of resignation, State Senate District 30 is required to appear on the ballot in 2022 for a two-year term and again in 2024 for a full four-year term," Hall said.

"By refusing to tender an official resignation, Senator Ragan did in effect force a member of the other party to face election two years before his term is up, even though she has publicly stated an intention not to seek re-election," Hall said in response to a question asking if that is what had happened.

Previously Ragan, who was last elected in 20, had represented the western two-thirds of Cerro Gordo County including Mason City, all of Franklin County and part of Butler County in Senate District 27.

Brown, who was first elected in 2016, represented Iowa Senate District 26, which included all of Floyd, Chickasaw, Howard and Mitchell counties and part of Worth, Cerro Gordo and Winneshiek counties.



Bob Fenske/Reporter

Recent warm temperatures have removed virtually all the snow cover from farm fields, like these located just east of Nashua.

It looks like we'll have more decent temps next week

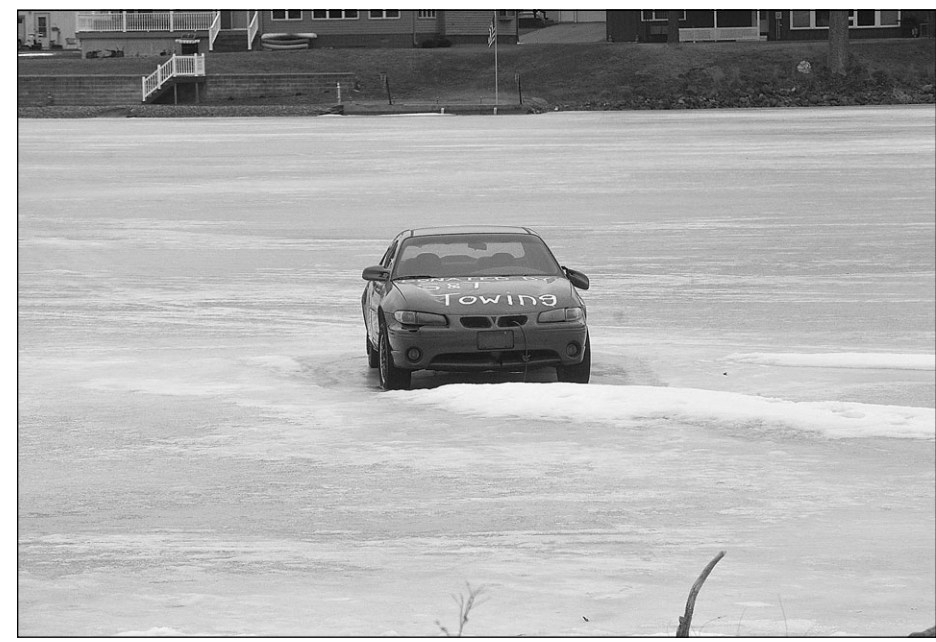
SPRING: FROM 1

winds and hail.

But if Saturday's forecast — both that high temperature and those storms — become reality, what little snow cover we have left should disappear.

The fact is we could use the rain, at least according to the U.S. Drought Monitor report that was released on Thursday. In short, the report showed a worsening drought situation in northern Iowa. Most of the Nashua area remains abnormally dry, but the areas classified as suffering "moderate drought" in both Floyd and Butler counties grew from the week before.

Still, no matter what the weekend brings, let's be honest. Spring felt pretty good, didn't it? And even after what could be a stormy Saturday afternoon and evening, next week's weather looks pretty nice — with highs in the 40s for much of the week.



Bob Fenske/Reporter

Still on ice!

The car that is helping the Nashua Park Board raise funds remains on top of the ice near Veterans Park on Thursday morning, and the question is, how long will it remain there?

Winner of special election will serve until Dec. 31, 2024

ELECTION: FROM 1

After former Supervisor Rick Holthaus passed away on Jan. 2, a committee consisting of three county office holders — Mashek, Treasurer Sue Breitbach and Recorder Shirley

Troyna — announced their intention to appoint a replacement.

But a group of residents in District 1, which covers much of the northern part of the county and includes the cities of Alta Vista, Ionia and North

Washington, filed a petition for a special election.

The committee went ahead and appointed Breitbach to the seat in late January and he has served on the Board of Supervisors for a little more than a month.

His appointment will last only through the canvas of the special election, and the winner of Tuesday's contest, will serve the remainder of the term that Holthaus won during the 2020 election and runs through Dec. 31, 2024.

Legislative forum set for March 12

State Sen. Waylon Brown, R-St. Ansgar, and State Rep. Todd Prichard, D-Charles City, will hold a legislative forum on Saturday, March 12, at the Chickasaw Event Center in New Hampton.

The forum is being sponsored by the Chickasaw Farm Bureau, and both lawmakers will give updates on the current legislative session and take questions from constituents during the forum that begins at 9 a.m.



I would like to thank everyone for all the cards, gifts and calls for my 80th birthday. I would also like to thank my family for surprising me. Thanks again,

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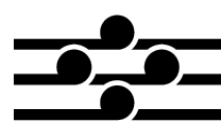
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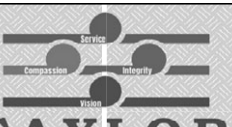
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N-P High seniors say they are appreciative for music's 'lessons'

MUSIC: FROM 1

“but I think for all of us here, it’s also really taught us a lot about ourselves, about life. Seriously, it has.”

Evidently, her friends agreed, for as she talked, her friends smiled and nodded their heads in agreement.

Throughout the conversation that covered everything from how they decided to become musicians to how music will play a role in their lives far in the future, they laughed and joked. But they also take band and choir seriously because yes, it’s fun but it has also, they said, made them better students and better people.

“I feel like it’s a unit, there’s a real team aspect to music,” Wright said. “You have to come together to create one big thing, and when you do, that’s really cool.”

Schneider, a baritone in the choir, pointed out that music has given him confidence he never thought he would possess.

“I used to be like I don’t ever want to sing in front of people ... like at all,” he said with a laugh, “and then I got a solo just this year [during Nashua-Plainfield’s Veterans Day program] and everybody was surprised I could sing. ... That was a huge deal to me. It was like wow, I can do this, and I can tell you I will be singing down the aisles at my job and I don’t care if people hear me.”

Hyde, who sang a duet with Schneider at the Mid-Winter Thursday, said a good choir is like a good sports team.

“If half a team doesn’t care, well then you don’t have a very good team,” she said. “It’s the same thing in music. Seriously, I think some of the things — most of the things really — we learn in choir or they learn in band translate to sports and will translate into jobs when we get to that point. You have to have everyone buy in, if that makes any sense.”

It does.

The students said they’ve learned valuable lessons in time management because of music. They’ve learned when to have “fun” and when it’s time to really go to work. And they’ve learned that the two aren’t

mutually exclusive.

“I feel like in band, you have to focus,” Foelske said. “It teaches you how to pay attention, and if you’re not paying attention, then you’re going to be lost.”

She paused and laughed.

“And you don’t want to be lost with Mr. Stroud around,” she added, referring to her band director, Scott Stroud. “And I’m guessing — no, I know — the choir people will say the same thing about Mrs. [Melanie] Johannngmeier.”

The hard part for the seniors taking part in this conversation is that they know time is running short. In less than three months, they will have performed music as Nashua-Plainfield students for the final time.

Considering the choir kids have been singing pretty much their whole lives and the band kids picked up their instruments back in fifth grade, they know that final performance will be, in a word, bittersweet.

“I think when I finish that last note,” Wright said, “it’s going to hit really hard and I’m just going to cry. I enjoy every single aspect of band ... and it’s more than just the music. I’m with my friends, and we’ve been doing this for so long, it’ll be weird knowing that’s it.”

But the choir kids vow to keep singing — remember Schneider will be singing down the aisles — Wright plans to continue to play “Taps” at the funerals of veterans, McDonald isn’t going to lose her clarinet and Foelske will probably keep those drumsticks handy.

“It’s been a lot of hard work. You should have heard us when we first started,” McDonald said, and Foelske couldn’t help but interrupt, “Yeah, that first concert in fifth grade, we were terrible.”

All five laughed, but a few minutes later, McDonald returned to the subject of what music in school has taught her.

“You can work really hard and you can have fun at the same time,” she said. “I think when I go back to when we first played a concert way back when and how we sound now ... it’s pretty amazing and I’m glad I got to be a part of something like that.”

Floyd supervisors get an earful

Residents speak out against ‘max levy’ that could see property taxes soar the county?”

By BOB STEENSON
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About 20 people attended a public hearing Monday morning on the proposed Floyd County “maximum tax” rate, with all of those speaking saying the proposed levies were too high and some expressing passionately that such increases would threaten their farms, businesses or families.

After the hearing, the Board of Supervisors discussed ways that American Rescue Plan Act funds for COVID relief might be used to lower the tax asking by more than \$730,000, and also discussed reducing some spending in the current fiscal year.

The board voted to table until the next meeting, which will be held this coming Monday, passing the maximum tax resolution to allow more time for board discussion.

The people attending the county max tax hearing were reacting to a proposed maximum tax levy proposal that could have increased the amount of county property taxes collected in the general services levy — the amount paid by every property owner in the county — by more than 30%, and the amount in the rural services levy, paid by owners of property in the rural areas of the county, including farmers, by more than 8%.

Linda Pierson of Charles City asked, with the current inflation rate and what’s going on in the world making people nervous, “How does increasing taxes help bring new businesses to

the county?”

“I don’t know if I can stay here,” she said.

Brian Chambers, of Marble Rock, said the county has to make some tough choices, and he knows that people will be upset if some services are cut, but that’s the job supervisors were elected to do.

The State Appeals Board last year caught a language error in last year’s max tax resolution that forced the county to collect the same amount of taxes for the current 2021-22 fiscal year that it had the year before.

That year without a tax increase is part of the reason for the steep proposed budget hike this year, as the county is having to dig deeply into its usual carryover balance to pay its bills, supervisors said.

Part of the increase proposed for the next fiscal year would be to bring carryover funds closer to an amount that the county considers appropriate, to get it through the first quarter of the new year before new property tax income comes in, and for emergency uses.

Jeff Hawbaker told the board, “I’ve had enough. You guys are supposed to represent us. We elected you. We’re disappointed. I don’t need a new law enforcement center. We’re not wealthy — we can’t live like we’re wealthy.”

“We need cuts, not increases in taxes,” he said. “We have people in this county who can’t pay any more. Look at the budget. Cut the budget. You guys have to come up with solutions,” he said, to applause from the group.

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TRUST NOTICE
IN THE MATTER OF THE TRUST:
Nicholas R. Dietz Revocable Trust
U/A dated February 18, 2021
To all persons regarding Nicholas R. Dietz, deceased, who died on or about February 7, 2022. You are hereby notified that Cassidy J. Dietz is the successor trustee of the Nicholas R. Dietz Revocable Trust U/A dated February 18, 2021 and any amendments thereto. Any action to contest the validity of the trust must be brought in the District Court of Chickasaw County, Iowa, within the later to occur of four (4) months from the date of second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent settlor whose identities are reasonably ascertainable. Any suit not filed within this period shall be forever barred.
Notice is further given that any person or entity possessing a claim against the trust must mail proof of the claim to the trustee at the address listed below via certified mail, return receipt requested, by the later to occur of four (4) months from the second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice if required or the claim shall be forever barred unless paid or otherwise satisfied.
Dated on February 28, 2022.
Nicholas R. Dietz Revocable Trust
U/A dated February 18, 2021
Cassidy J. Dietz, 812 Wisner Dr., Waterloo, IA 50702 (Name and address of Trustee)
Nathan D. Miller, #AT0012746, Attorney for Trustee
Beecher Law Firm, PO Box 178, Waterloo, IA 50704
Date of second publication: 03/11/22

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET				
City of NASHUA				
Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022				
The City of NASHUA will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022				
Meeting Date/Time: 3/7/2022 07:00 PM		Contact: John Ott	Phone: (641) 435-4156	
Meeting Location: Council Chambers Nashua City Hall				
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	812,888	0	812,888
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Net Current Property Tax	3	812,888	0	812,888
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	4	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	35,000	0	35,000
Other City Taxes	6	196,681	39,999	236,680
Licenses & Permits	7	13,500	0	13,500
Use of Money & Property	8	63,450	14,523	77,973
Intergovernmental	9	307,250	206,796	514,046
Charges for Service	10	931,600	15,500	947,100
Special Assessments	11	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	12	962,400	-859,884	102,516
Other Financing Sources	13	0	445,000	445,000
Transfers In	14	337,692	40,000	377,692
Total Revenues & Other Sources	15	3,660,461	-98,066	3,562,395
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Public Safety	16	337,060	-74,275	262,785
Public Works	17	597,909	0	597,909
Health and Social Services	18	8,000	2,000	10,000
Culture and Recreation	19	262,266	62,900	325,166
Community and Economic Development	20	77,670	177,900	255,570
General Government	21	145,247	0	145,247
Debt Service	22	908,957	-526,618	382,339
Capital Projects	23	0	28,000	28,000
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	2,337,109	-330,093	2,007,016
Business Type/Enterprise	25	751,016	44,500	795,516
Total Gov Activities & Business Expenditures	26	3,088,125	-285,593	2,802,532
Tranfers Out	27	337,692	40,000	377,692
Total Expenditures/Transfers Out	28	3,425,817	-245,593	3,180,224
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	234,644	147,527	382,171
Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2021	30	2,311,961	866,911	3,178,872
Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2022	31	2,546,605	1,014,438	3,561,043
Explanation of Changes: Rev - Added WC levy, LOST was under estimated, WODD Days starting amount, FED ARPA Funds, CDBG, Increased sewer revenue sales, we sales, and amended previous line items that weren't budgeted, reduced other financing because we previously received proceeds from State Contingency Loan and loader loan. increased transfers due to increase in LOST revenue. Expenses - reduced police salary and benefits, organizations total increased - donate to NEICA program, Library - parapet repair, WODD expenses incorporated into budget, WC increased due to repairs and commissions, urban revitalization CDBG housing projects, reduced debt service because we already paid the large sum pmt to state contingency loan, capital project was increased due to investigation of dam re-repair, sewer, storm water, and water increased to due expected Greeley St. project costs. Xfers were increased due to LOST increasing.				

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET
Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023
City of: NASHUA

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Budget at: Council Chambers Nashua City Hall Meeting Date: 3/7/2022 Meeting Time: 07:00 PM

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the City Clerk and County Auditor.

City budgets are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult <https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals>.

The Budget Estimate Summary of proposed receipts and expenditures is shown below. Copies of the the detailed proposed Budget may be obtained or viewed at the offices of the Mayor, City Clerk, and at the Library.				
The estimated Total tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on regular property			16.56782	
The estimated tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on Agricultural land is			3.00325	
At the public hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget.				
Phone Number (641) 435-4156		City Clerk/Finance Officer's NAME John Ott		
		Budget FY 2023	Re-estimated FY 2022	Actual FY 2021
Revenues & Other Financing Sources				
Taxes Levied on Property	1	810,903	812,888	676,593
Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Net Current Property Taxes	3	810,903	812,888	676,593
Delinquent Property Taxes	4	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	0	35,000	45,817
Other City Taxes	6	242,795	236,680	218,104
Licenses & Permits	7	14,200	13,500	13,680
Use of Money and Property	8	92,250	77,973	92,848
Intergovernmental	9	1,473,865	514,046	1,612,190
Charges for Fees & Service	10	945,900	947,100	857,018
Special Assessments	11	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	12	86,150	102,516	66,714
Other Financing Sources	13	1,324,370	445,000	1,830,983
Transfers In	14	354,780	377,692	2,248,779
Total Revenues and Other Sources	15	5,345,213	3,562,395	7,662,726
Expenditures & Other Financing Uses				
Public Safety	16	357,544	262,785	319,790
Public Works	17	1,453,085	597,909	323,292
Health and Social Services	18	10,500	10,000	9,931
Culture and Recreation	19	288,580	395,066	211,647
Community and Economic Development	20	60,000	185,670	144,764
General Government	21	199,656	145,247	120,753
Debt Service	22	133,746	382,339	1,613,067
Capital Projects	23	82,000	28,000	1,219,245
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	2,585,111	2,007,016	3,962,489
Business Type / Enterprises	25	2,052,875	795,516	683,053
Total ALL Expenditures	26	4,637,986	2,802,532	4,645,542
Transfers Out	27	354,780	377,692	2,248,779
Total ALL Expenditures/Transfers Out	28	4,992,766	3,180,224	6,894,321
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	352,447	382,171	768,405
Beginning Fund Balance July 1	30	3,561,043	3,178,872	2,410,467
Ending Fund Balance June 30	31	3,913,490	3,561,043	3,178,872

No. 21800
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IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
SHEILA RAYE JACKSON, Deceased
CASE NO. ESPR003029
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF
WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF
ADMINISTRATOR, AND NOTICE
TO CREDITORS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Sheila Raye Jackson, Deceased, who died on or about November 24, 2020:
You are hereby notified that on February 8, 2022, the undersigned was appointed Administrator of the estate.
Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims

against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated February 8, 2022
Date of second publication: 03/04/22
Graydon K. Marpoee, Administrator of the Estate. 1404 Panell Drive, Apt. H, Aberdeen, MD 21001
Christine B Skilton, ICIS#: AT0007262 Attorney for the Administrator, 205 Brasher Street, P.O. Box 39, Nashua, IA 50659-0039

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
FEBRUARY 22, 2022
The Board convened on Tuesday, February 22, 2022, at 9:00 AM with all members Breitbach, Byrne, Hackman, Zoll, and Kuhn present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Also present were Deputy Auditor Donna Geerts, Terry Johnson, and Bob Fenske-media. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order.
Motion by Zoll, seconded by Hackman to approve agenda for February 22, 2022. Ayes: All. Motion carried.
Roman Lensing present at 9:04 AM.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Byrne to approve the minutes from February 14, 2022. Ayes: All. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Zoll to approve the minutes from February 18, 2022. Ayes: All. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach, to amend the minutes from February 7, 2022, to include the complete legal descriptions with the approval of the minor subdivision for Resolution 02-07-22-11 and the minor subdivision for Resolution 02-07-22-12. Ayes: All. Motion carried.
No public comment.
9:10 AM County Engineer Lensing reviewed updated department policies. The policies in complete detail are on file at the office of the County Auditor and Engineer.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Byrne to authorize Chairperson's signature on Sign Maintenance Policy and adopt Resolution # 02-22-22-15: A RESOLUTION APPROVING MAILBOX POLICY. Roll Call-Ayes: Hackman, Byrne, Zoll, Breitbach, and Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Zoll to authorize Chairperson's signature on Sign Maintenance Policy and adopt Resolution # 02-22-22-15: A RESOLUTION APPROVING SIGN MAINTENANCE POLICY. Roll Call-Ayes: Hackman, Zoll, Byrne, Breitbach, and Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Motion by Zoll, seconded by Hackman to authorize Chairperson's signature

nature on Snow Removal Policy and adopt Resolution # 02-22-22-16: A RESOLUTION APPROVING SNOW REMOVAL POLICY. Roll Call-Ayes: Zoll, Hackman, Breitbach, Byrne, and Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Byrne to authorize Chairperson's signature on Access Policy for Subdivision, Driveway, and Field Access and adopt Resolution # 02-22-22-17: A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACCESS POLICY FOR SUBDIVISION, DRIVEWAY, AND FIELD ACCESS. Roll Call-Ayes: Hackman, Byrne, Breitbach, Zoll, and Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to authorize Chairperson's signature on Dust Control Policy and adopt Resolution # 02-22-22-18: A RESOLUTION APPROVING DUST CONTROL POLICY. Roll Call-Ayes: Hackman, Byrne, Breitbach, Zoll, and Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Consensus of the Board to not insure the salt and sand contents in the County's salt and mixing sheds.
Lensing left at 9:21 AM.
Committee Assignment Update:
Hackman attended the CSS Executive Board meeting on February 16, 2022.
Assessor Arnel and Board Members Kuhn and Breitbach attended Chickasaw County Farm Bureau meeting on February 21, 2022.
Budget work session.
Chairperson Kuhn declared a recess at 9:38 AM.
The Board reconvened at 9:55 AM with all Board Members present Breitbach, Byrne, Hackman, Zoll, and Kuhn. Also present were Donna Geerts, Terry Johnson, and Bob Fenske.
Budget work session.
Discussed future agenda items.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Byrne to adjourn the meeting at 10:06 AM. Ayes: All. Motion carried.
Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson, Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: Donna Geerts, Deputy Auditor

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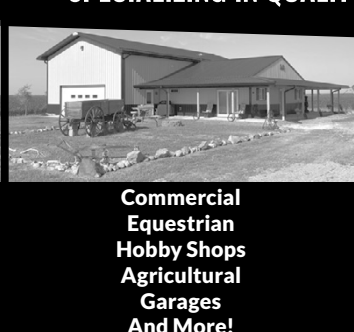
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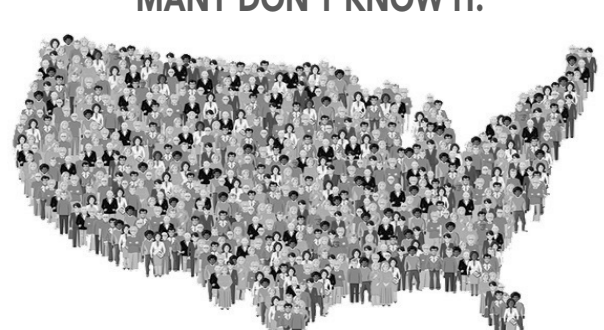
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Nashua-Plainfield coach Josh Smith says Abbie Hyde’s ability to “take care” of the basketball was a key for a Husky team that advanced to the regional semifinals.

Coach lauds all-TIC seniors

ALL-TIC GIRLS: FROM 8
them get better every year,” said N-P head coach Josh Smith.

N-P finished the year with a mark of 14-10 and lost to No. 2 Algona Garrigan in the Class 1A regional semifinals. It was the second-straight appearance in the postseason semifinals for the Huskies.

Hackman finished off a career that saw her rank third-all time in career scoring with 1,172 points. She was also second-best in school history in career rebounding (673) and was third all-time in steals (235).

“What an incredible career “Hack” put together,” said Smith.

Hackman led the TIC in scoring (16.3 ppg) and finished third in the league in rebounding (8.7 rbg) and steals (3.8 spg). Hackman was second in the league with 92 steals to Carpenter’s conference leading 104.

“She’s the focal point for opposing defenses and she still goes out night in and night out and dominates games. It’s also incredibly impressive to me that she does it as an undersized post,” said Smith.

Hackman made first team all-conference last year as a junior and was on the TIC second team her sophomore season.

“Plain and simple she had one of the most successful careers of anyone to put on a Nashua-Plainfield girls basketball jersey,” Smith said.

That previous recognition by coaches that vote for the all-conference squads is a testament to Hackman coming ready to play each and every game.

“Beyond working so hard on the physical side of the game, the part that not everyone sees is how much mental preparation she puts in as well. She’s always watching film and she’s always prepared for every opponent we have,” said Smith.

Carpenter averaged just under 14 points of scoring a game and led the TIC in field-goal percentage (58 percent). As she did the year prior, Carpenter led the conference in steals with 104. That tied her school record for steals in a season. Those 104 steals in back-to-back seasons made it possible for Carpenter to now hold the career steals mark at N-P with 306.

Smith praised Carpenter’s relentlessness, toughness and attitude – winning attributes that made her teammates better because of her drive and determination.

“There are games where we just watched her break the will of the other team by causing non-stop issues for opposing guards. She has always

been coachable and always trusted what we were trying to do. She’s made her mark on the record books and the win column over her career as a Husky and did it by being one of the most exciting players ever to watch and coach. Her heart and drive really can’t be put into words,” Smith added.

Carpenter broke the old steals record (294) held by Samantha Harrington, who played at N-P from 2004-2007. Harrington is the all-time scoring leader for the Huskies with 1,638 points.

Carpenter was selected to the second team TIC squad her junior season. That stuck in Smith’s craw somewhat.

“Jennah never complained about it and it never seemed like it bothered her, but it really bugged me that she wasn’t a first-teamer last year,” said Smith. “I recognize that I’m biased, but it was just unfathomable to me that there were seven other girls on our side of the conference that you would rather have on a team than Jennah.”

It almost seems Carpenter’s rough-and-tumble style of play would be best suited for the gridiron.

“I get that a lot and wrestling,” smiled Carpenter. “If wrestling wasn’t in basketball season then I would wrestle.”

Her ability to disrupt an opponent’s offensive flow by diving on the floor for loose balls and not being afraid of physical play and contact made it a challenge for any team to get the ball past half court against N-P’s zone press.

“I love getting on the floor. Getting on the floor is just a different thing that no one really does,” said Carpenter. “I I do it, then it helps my teammates do it, too.”

Hyde took over for last year’s point guard – Chloe Matthews – and stepped up to the challenge. Her stats might not jump out at you, but there was a lot more to Hyde’s game than putting up big numbers.

“She totally owned that position this year and allowed us to not only stay as competitive this season, but actually increase our win total from last year and beat some teams that we previously haven’t,” said Smith.

Hyde produced a 2.5 scoring clip per game and averaged over two rebounds, two assists and two steals a contest.

“For someone to only have three turnovers per game and basically play every minute of every competitive game is very impressive. Then you start to talk about her defense, assists, knocking down shots, and just overall vocal leadership. She had a huge season for us,” said Smith.

All-league Huskies take giant strides

ALL-TIC BOYS: FROM 8

very hard worker and a guy that holds his teammates accountable as well,” said Brown.

Wilken, a difference-maker that had a tremendous senior season, earned his first all-conference recognition as he was selected as a member of the honorable mention unit that was voted on by TIC coaches.

“It was a shame that Drew didn’t get voted onto second team, but that’s out of my control. I thought he was very deserving. He had a great year for the team and made a huge mark on the program with his work ethic,” said Brown.

Harrington was keyed on by every defense that tried to stop him and he still put up first-team numbers as evident by his 16.4 point-per-game scoring average. Harrington’s long-range touch almost had no limits as he could bury shots from well back of the 3-point circle. Harrington was second in the conference with 47 three-pointers connected on. That was just one shy of West Fork’s Sage Sunkten – who tallied 48 treys.

“He’s the best shooter I’ve ever seen and is a great passer, dribbler, and thinker. He’s really a special guy to have on the team, and he’s a great person. He’s fun to be around,” Brown said.

Harrington shot 33 percent from 3-point land and was third in the league with just under four assists a game.

Harrington netted a career-high 30 points in a 64-51 January home win over West Fork. He was a perfect 8-8 from the charity stripe and buried four 3-pointers.

“Bo is a special player with incredible ability that he has earned. He also is a great leader on the floor and off it as well,” said Brown.

Wilken’s quick back-door cuts and ability to run with the best of them on the fast break were just a few of his positives. Wilken also improved his outside shooting and that resulted in 17 made 3-pointers and a 35-percent shooting clip from beyond the arc.

Wilken averaged just below



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter
Nashua-Plainfield’s Drew Wilken, his coach says, became an all-conference player because he was willing to put in the work to make himself a better player.

12 points a game and was third in the conference with 2.5 steals per game. He also brought down over four rebounds a game.

One of Wilken’s shining moments came in an early January game versus Riceville. Wilken nailed a desperation 3-point buzzer-beater to stun the Wildcats, 51-48. Wilken’s shot came well back of the 3-point arc and who was the first person to hug Wilken?

That would be Harrington.

“I just went over there and jumped right on him I was so excited,” said Harrington.

Wilken came a long ways in his career to be considered one of the league’s best. While he is still somewhat overmatched down low with his thin frame, he worked hard to get bigger and better.

“He is an extremely hard worker. He never tires. He’s always trying to learn something and he’s just getting bet-

ter,” said Brown. “The things he knows he can do he will work at to become that much better at. That’s what we saw this season.”

Brown remembers back when Wilken was a freshman and watching him do drills in practice. To fast forward from back then to now – the Husky coach sure has to be proud of the player that Wilken became.

“Thinking about where he came from as a freshman where he could barely put the ball on the floor and get it back to his hand, to what he’s done this season is unbelievable,” said Brown. “I always talk about the senior factor. Guys turn into seniors – they turn into gamers. “Wil” is absolutely no exception to that.”

N-P played to a mark of 12-10 overall and 7-9 in the TIC. The Huskies lost to West Fork, 52-50, in the opening round of Class 1A postseason.

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Nashua-Plainfield boys land a pair on all-TIC teams

Coaches name Harrington to the first team while Wilken is honorable mention selection

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Bo Harrington and Drew Wilken aren't cut from the same cloth when it comes to what they do out on a basketball court.

Each Nashua-Plainfield hoops stand-out has a way of achieving results on the hardwood in differing fashions.

One might zig, while the other might zag. But bottom line – the positive gains achieved by each Husky helped make this a winning season for Husky head coach Sam Brown.

"Both guys were integral parts of our success this season both on and off the court," said Brown. "They were guys that were at everything this summer and that growth showed up during the season."

Harrington was hon-



Wilken

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MC Newman	15-1	22-2
Osage	14-2	16-6
West Fork	10-6	11-12
North Butler	8-8	12-11
Central Springs	8-8	10-12
Nashua-Plainfield	7-9	12-10
Rockford	5-11	9-13
Northwood-K	3-13	5-16
St. Ansgar	2-14	2-20

ored for that production as a repeat selection on the Top of Iowa Eastern Division's All-Conference squad. After making the honorable mention squad last year as a sophomore, Harrington rose to the top of the charts as a first team selection in 2021-2022.

"He was our highest usage guy for the year and he played well nearly every game. Even in games that he didn't score a lot, he was still a factor. Bo's a

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Nashua-Plainfield junior Bo Harrington gets ready to put a shot in lane in a game against West Fork this season.

All-Top of Iowa Conference Boys Basketball

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Max Knudsen	Osage	So.
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HONORABLE MENTION

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Player of the Year: Doug Taylor, Mason City Newman
Coach of the Year: Jerry Gattton, Mason City Newman



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield's Jennah Carpenter (above) and Breanna Hackman (below) both capped stellar prep basketball careers by being named to the all-Top of Iowa East Division first team.

Trio of seniors earn all-league honors

Nashua-Plainfield's Carpenter, Hackman named to first-team; Hyde is honorable mention

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

TIC East Girls Basketball

Jennah Carpenter and Breanna Hackman are unquestionably two of the better hoops players to ever grace the court at Nashua-Plainfield High School.

They have the records to prove it.

Carpenter and Hackman – two seniors on a Husky team that started five of them – were honored with first team distinction on the Top of Iowa Eastern Division's All-Conference team that was put out recently.

A third N-P senior – point guard Abbie Hyde – was awarded with honorable-mention status.

How does one obtain all-conference status?



Hyde

	Conf.	All
Osage	15-1	19-4
West Fork	13-3	19-5
St. Ansgar	10-6	14-9
Central Springs	10-6	12-10
Nashua-Plainfield	8-8	14-10
Northwood-K	7-9	9-14
MC Newman	7-9	8-14
North Butler	2-14	2-20
Rockford	0-16	1-21

It's a tried-and-true formula that has worked for centuries – you earn it.

"It takes a ton of work. These kids come in 2-3 times a week in the summer to lift and get basketball workouts in. We also have scrimmages throughout the summer and go to multiple camps. There's a ton of development that needs to happen to be successful and these kids have bought into that and we saw

SEE ALL-TIC GIRLS, 7

All-Top of Iowa East Division Girls Basketball

FIRST TEAM

Jennah Carpenter	Nashua-Plainfield	Sr.
Breanna Hackman	Nashua-Plainfield	Sr.
Chloe Costello	Northwood-Kensett	So.
Claudia Aschenbrenner	Osage	Jr.
Samantha Brandau	Osage	Jr.
Madison Hillman	St. Ansgar	Jr.
Emma Martinek	West Fork	Jr.

SECOND TEAM

Kaci Crum	Central Springs	Fr.
Ellyse Ball	Mason City Newman	Sr.
Emma Weiner	Mason City Newman	Sr.
Carly Hengesteg	Northwood-Kensett	Sr.
Adrianna Kruse	St. Ansgar	Sr.
Rylie Akins	West Fork	Jr.
Leah Weaver	West Fork	Fr.

HONORABLE MENTION

Alivea Harms	Central Springs	Sr.
Abbie Hyde	Nashua-Plainfield	Sr.
Madi Elwood	Mason City Newman	Sr.
Haley Freeseemann	North Butler	Sr.
Madalynn Hanson	Northwood-Kensett	So.
Brooklyn Halbach	Osage	Jr.
Chloe Rooney	Rockford	Sr.
Addison Tabbert	St. Ansgar	Jr.
Maddie Hubka	West Fork	Sr.

Player of the Year: Claudia Aschenbrenner, Osage
Coach of the Year: Chad Erickson, Osage



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